



Michigan Air Line Trailway Council

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MICHIGAN AIR LINE TRAIL ANNOUNCES \$200K GIFT

Levine Family Foundation Donates Trail Design & Engineering Services

Commerce Township, Michigan: The CW2 Trailway Management Council today announced a gift from the Mike Levine Family Foundation for essential Design and Engineering services needed to develop the Trail and to solicit grants to help pay for surfacing and other amenities. The gift is valued at approximately \$200,000.

“We are absolutely thrilled that Mr. Levine is joining us as we work to create a fantastic recreational resource for our communities, Oakland County and the State of Michigan,” said Trail Council President David Scott. “Mike is passionate about trails, and his enthusiasm is contagious.”

“I’m pleased to help get the Trail off to a good start. The Air Line is a key part of the Great Lake to Lake Trail; it will become a ‘main street’ of Michigan’s Trail network” added Mike Levine, whose Levine Family Foundation has committed some \$5 million in overall financial support for trails across the state.

- Engineering services will be provided by Stantec, LLC of Ann Arbor, MI
- The Trail Council will apply for grant funding to surface the trail and add amenities like road crossing signals, benches, informational kiosks, etc.
- MDOT will build a pedestrian bridge over M-5 in the summer of 2018 that the Trail will use

About The Michigan Air Line Trail: The Trail is part of the historic Air-Line Railway, the same rail line now known as the West Bloomfield Trail east of the Air Line and the Huron Valley Trail to the west. The Michigan Air Line Trail, named with a nod to the transportation corridor’s history, will connect these trails, as well as provide access to the M-5 & I-275 Metro Trail and additional trails to the south. From east to west, the Trail passes through the communities of Commerce Township, City of Walled Lake and City of Wixom and is a vital part of a growing trail network in Oakland County. Further resources about the Trail can be found at www.miairlinetrail.com.