

Membership

___ \$25 ___ \$35 ___ \$50 ___ \$100 ___ \$250 ___ \$500 ___ \$1000 (Lifetime Member) \$ ___ Other

Total: \$ ___ (Minimum \$25 Individual, \$35 Family) Newsletter delivery preference: ___ Paper ___ Email

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ E-Mail: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Volunteer Interests: ___ Weekend trail work ___ Weekday trail work ___ Races ___ Art work ___ Outreach

Hoosier Hikers Council, Inc. is a 501 (c) 3 nonprofit organization as classified by the IRS. Your contribution is tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. HHC will not share your personal information with third parties. Note: If you would like to contribute to the Land/Trail-Extension Fund, please use our HHC Donation Form located on our website: <http://www.hoosierhikerscouncil.org/donate/>

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Mission

The HHC builds, maintains, and promotes high quality, natural surface hiking trails for public use in Indiana. As a grass roots organization, our work is performed solely by volunteers who collectively donate more than 3,000 hours of their time each year. We work with government and non-profit land owners to highlight the best features of Indiana's natural areas, and we use sustainable construction techniques to help protect these areas from erosion and human impact.

HHC built these and other trails:

- Tecumseh Trail
- Adena Trace
- Jimmy Nash Trail
- Kora Meditation Trail
- Beck's Mill Trails
- Eagle's Crest Trail
- Hitz-Rhodehamel Trail
- Downey Hill Trail
- Nubbin Ridge Trail
- Two Falls Trail

HHC improved these and other trails:

- Knobstone Trail
- Brown County State Park trails

Visit www.hoosierhikerscouncil.org for trail descriptions, maps and more!

Opportunities

Many volunteers roll up their sleeves, don a pair of gloves, and join our regularly scheduled work days to construct new trails throughout the state. These work days normally occur on the third Saturday of each month. The HHC provides all training necessary, as well as tools such as Rogue hoes, Pulaskis, fire rakes, and McCleods, that we use to create the new paths. If you have ever been curious about how new trails are designed and built, these HHC work days are for you! Trail-building is also a great way to contribute toward a lasting and valuable legacy for future generations. Many volunteers comment that they feel pride and satisfaction each time they encounter hikers and backpackers enjoying the very trails they helped to build.

Other volunteers join our Adopt-a-Trail program. These volunteers hike a designated section of trail several times a year and perform light maintenance. Examples of their responsibilities are picking up trash, clipping brush, and sending trail condition reports to the trail managers. Other volunteer opportunities include public outreach, map making, and web support.

Contact the HHC at hoosierhikerscouncil@gmail.com, call toll-free 1-855-812-HIKE (4453), or find us on Facebook for more information on volunteering.

Events

The HHC holds trail runs to raise money for trail projects and to promote the trails that we build and maintain. Our two mini-marathons offer 5K, 10K, 10 Mile and Half Marathon courses on Morgan-Monroe State Forest trails. HHC volunteers clear the trails for these races, and they hand out refreshments to runners at aid stations along the courses.

HHC Trail Runs:

- Run with the Foxes - Spring
- Knobstone Mini - Fall

Our annual meeting is a great way to meet HHC members and find out more about us. Open to members and non-members alike, this event features a hike, presentations, and a pitch-in dinner.

There is much work to do, so we always welcome new volunteers! If you are interested in contributing in any capacity, please contact us! We look forward to meeting you and welcoming you to our group!

Too busy to volunteer but would like to support our trail work? Contribute by becoming a member! Funds are needed for tools and supplies as well as for land to complete or extend trails. As a member, you will receive our quarterly "Trailhead", which provides updates and other information of interest to hikers.