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## **Huntington Towpath Century Ride celebrates 10 years, registration open**

**AKRON, Ohio** (Jan. 22, 2019) – Only 29 spots remain open for the 10th annual Huntington Towpath Century Ride, taking place June 8-9, 2019. The ride is a 101-mile journey from Cleveland to New Philadelphia, with the goal of raising money for the further development of the Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath Trail and connector trails. One hundred six riders, both alumni and newcomers, are signed up to ride in 2019. With a cap of 135 riders, register now to be guaranteed entry.

The Huntington Towpath Century Ride begins at Settler’s Landing in downtown Cleveland, the northern terminus of the historic Ohio and Erie Canal, and concludes in New Philadelphia. Participants can choose to ride the Towpath Century Ride in one or two days, and can participate as an individual or as part of a team. All riders obtain pledges, with the goal of raising a minimum of \$750 each.

The Ohio & Erie Canalway Coalition is celebrating 10 years of the Towpath Century Ride, which began in 2009 as a response to much needed funding. To celebrate this anniversary, riders will be offered unique perks not previously offered, like the opportunity to ride the Great Allegheny Passage as a top fundraiser, or participate in scheduled meet and greet bicycle training rides. The fundraising goal for 2019 is \$170,000, with all funds supporting the continued development, maintenance, and activation of the Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath Trail and connector trails.

In addition to riders, the Ohio & Erie Canalway Coalition is also looking for donors to support the riders and volunteers to assist during the event. For more information regarding the Huntington Towpath Century Ride, including where to sign up, the list of riders, links for donations, and volunteer information, please visit [our Century Ride website](#). Those interested can also contact Alyssa Jones at (330) 374-5657 or [ajones@ohioeriecanal.org](mailto:ajones@ohioeriecanal.org).

The Ohio & Erie Canalway Coalition is a recognized leader across the region, developing the Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath Trail and its connector trails in Summit, Stark, and Tuscarawas Counties, while leveraging resources and stimulating community and economic development.

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