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Schwarz Announces $56,250 Grant for the Albion Community

Sept. 24, 2001 – The Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund has awarded a $56,250 grant for Kalamazoo Riverfront Trail Acquisitions in Albion, Senator John Schwarz (R-Battle Creek) announced today.

The grant will help the city pay for 1.75 acres of land to allow Albion to create a city-wide trail system to be used by the community.

"This grant will benefit many families, connecting neighborhoods with one main trail to be utilized by the entire community," Schwarz said.

The $56,250 grant has been awarded through the Small Acquisition Grants Initiative. The funds allow Albion to purchase land located along the Kalamazoo River. After the property is acquired, a recreation trail system will be developed to incorporate access points throughout the city. Albion will provide a $16,750 match for the project.

"Families in Michigan need to have recreational areas that are easily accessible to them. Activities, such as biking or hiking, encourage the health and wellness of our families," said Schwarz.

More than 10 acquisition projects totaling over $30 million will be awarded throughout the state.

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