

Gaysport Route



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- ② Presbyterian Village at Hollidaysburg
- ③ McLanahan Corporation
- ④ Rail Transportation

..... Distance 1.07 Miles

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Canal Basin Park

The park is at the location where the canal boats were exchanged, between the Pennsylvania Mainline Canal and the Allegheny Portage Railroad. It includes a steam engine used to pull cargo and passengers up the incline, sectional canal boats from the canal era, and the Reiser House, which doubles as the park visitor center. A digital working tour of the park is available at: http://www.altoona.psu.edu/canalbasin_map.

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Presbyterian Village at Hollidaysburg

A long standing member of the community, the Presbyterian Village at Hollidaysburg, is a Continuing Care Retirement Community and is active in providing community services throughout the region. The community provides a full range of living opportunities and services to its residents and provides young and aspiring professionals training opportunities in its facilities. It is, once again, undergoing an expansion project in 2016.

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McLanahan Corporation

Founded in 1835, the McLanahan Corporation is the oldest continually-operating company in Blair County. It began as a small foundry supporting local agriculture. Through careful expansion, prudent investment decisions, and holding to core family values, it has become an international presence with locations on four continents.

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Rail Transportation

Once the canal era was coming to a close, the state turned its focus onto rail transportation. The yards separating the Diamond area from Gaysport served the Pennsylvania Railroad as a repair facility for its rolling stock. The line here follows the old canal between Tunnelhill and Petersburg and was used to bypass the congestion in Altoona if no stops were needed by a particular train.

Enhance your walk! See the Gaysport story map at: http://www.altoona.psu.edu/gaysport_map