



Woodlands
Development & Lending

**TRAILS &
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**
2022 WVTrail Conference

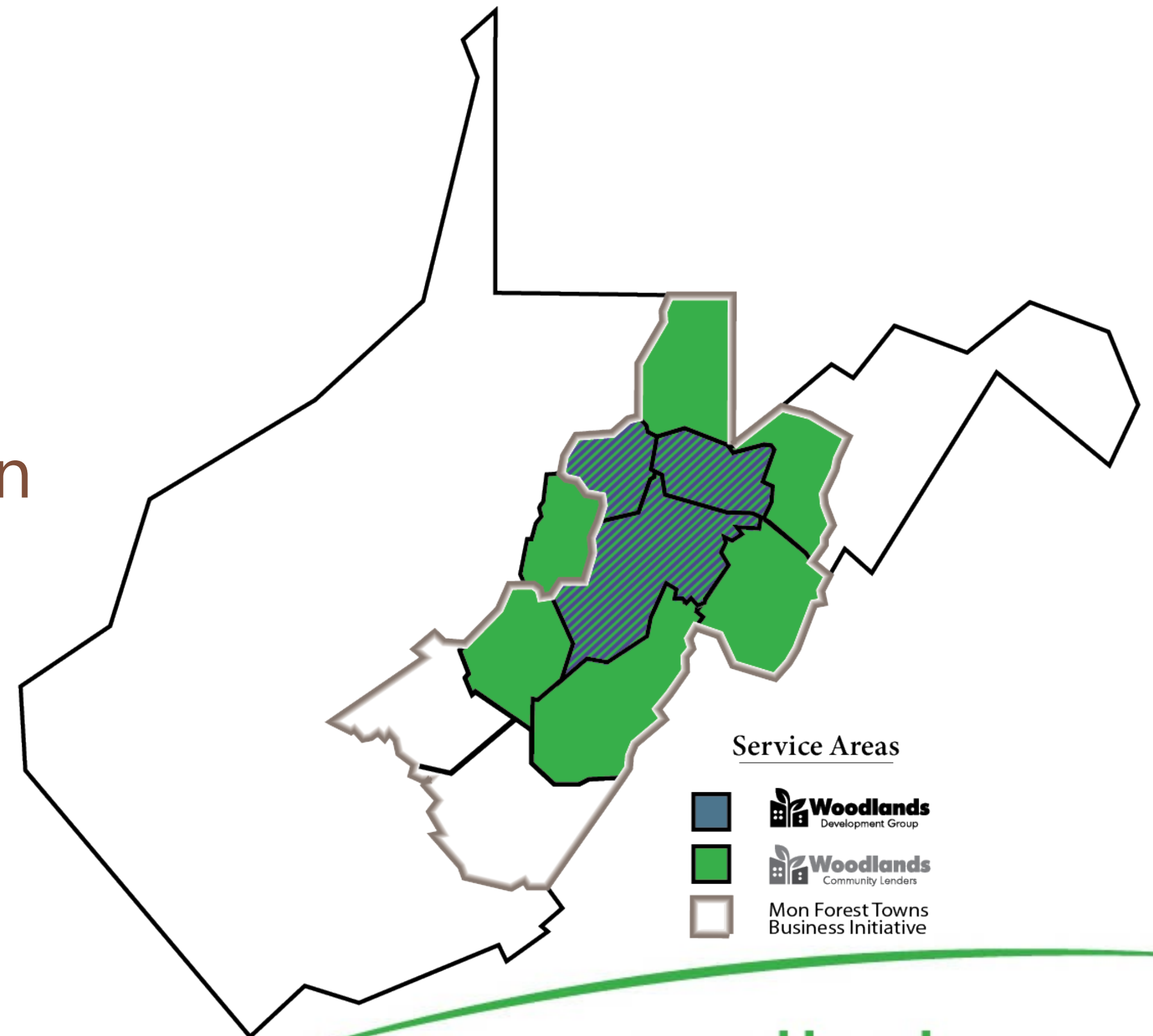
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WOODLANDS DEVELOPMENT & LENDING

CDC. CHDO. CDFI. ?

- Community Development Corporation
- Community Housing Development Organization
- Community Development Financial Institution





Affordable Housing and Neighborhood Development

That healthy, vibrant communities have safe and engaging neighborhoods, providing housing to all people.





Downtown Redevelopment



That dynamic and rich town centers encourage investment, inspire creativity, and bring people together.

Small Business Lending & Assistance

That everyone is a potential entrepreneur,
and they are the key to our communities'
prosperity.





Community Facilities Development



That parks, trails, green space, and gathering places are vital to our collective wellbeing.

Community Planning & Advocacy

That given space and time for discourse and reflection, local people make good decisions about the place in which they live.

That positive change is a collaborative process, requiring a long-term commitment of time, focus, and resources.





City of Thomas Riverfront



Related Sectors:

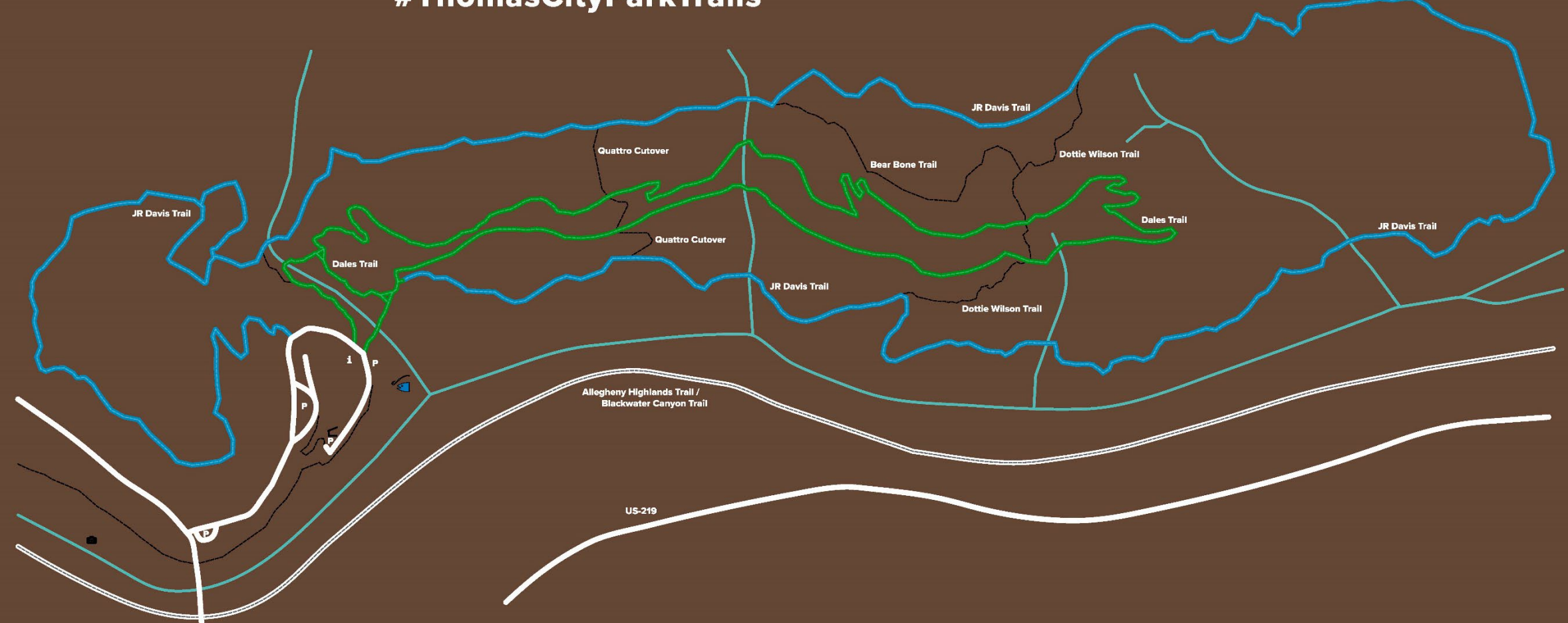
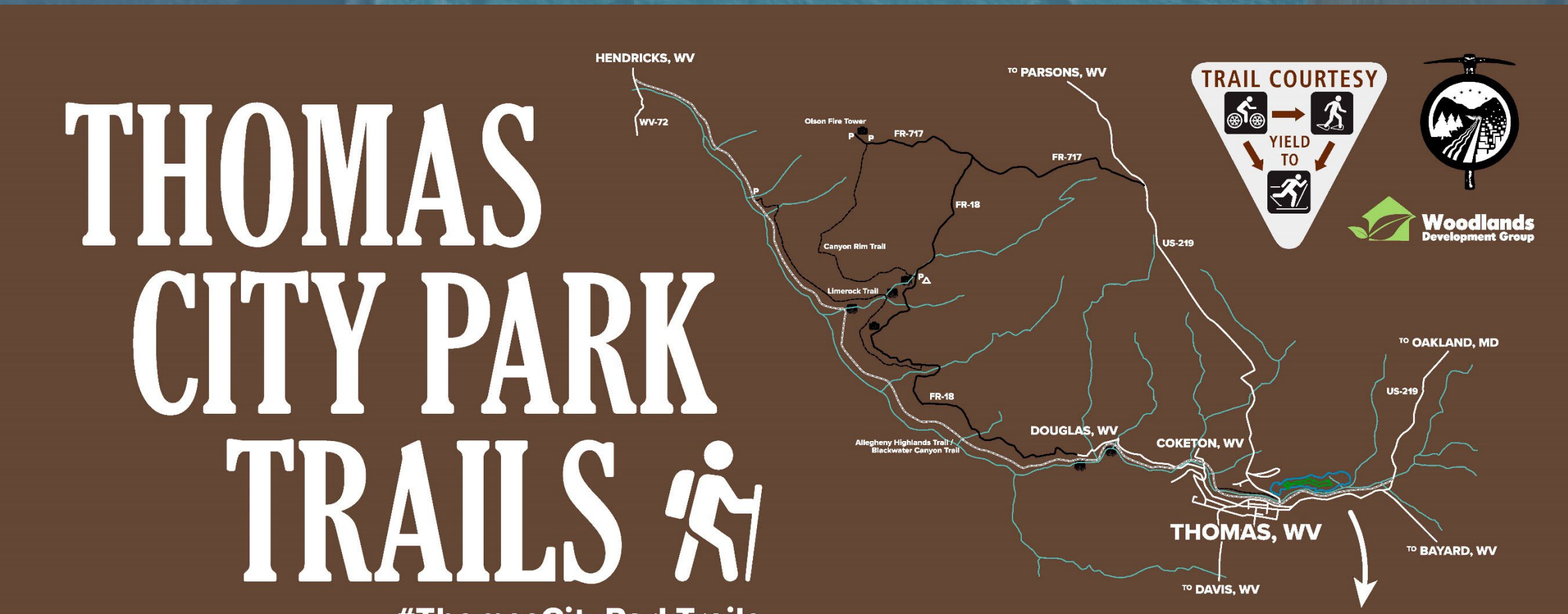
- Transportation
- Arts/Culture
- Tourism
- Small Business
- Economic Development
- Infrastructure
- Federal Partnership
- Brownfields
- Environment
- Accessibility
- Housing
- Health/Well-Being
- Downtown Redevelopment

Jr Davis Trail



THOMAS CITY PARK TRAILS

#ThomasCityParkTrails



RULES

- TOBACCO FREE PROPERTY
- NO CAMPING
- PARK OPENS AT DAWN, CLOSES AT DUSK
- PAVILLION RESERVATIONS AVAILABLE

	TREAD WIDTH	AVG GRADE	OBSTACLES	
	>36"	5-7%	<2" AVG <6" MAX	Paved Road
	24-36"	7-12%	4-6" AVG 12" MAX	Allegheny Highlands Trail
	<32"	>10%	>6" AVG >12" MAX	Dirt Road
				Other System Trails
				Waterways

Trail and Park Background: In large part the Thomas City Park was created through the efforts of JR Davis and Dale Pase, who you will see trails named after in the system. In 2009, the trail system started development through the efforts of Athey Lutz and many other local volunteers. Development of the trail system continued in 2015-2018 by New Historic Thomas. The park and trails are owned and managed by the City of Thomas. For more park information or to reserve a pavillion, call City Hall at 304-463-4360.



Jr Davis Trail

NEW HISTORIC THOMAS	
Thomas Beginner Mountain Bike Trail Project Income and Expenses Summary	
CASH INCOME	
Sources	Total
People for Bikes	\$10,100 (project grant + ribbon cutting support)
Oakland Foundation	\$7,500
Tucker County Parks & Recreation Commission	\$2,000
Tucker Community Foundation	\$2,400
Fundraiser events (2)	\$2,326
Individual private donations	\$6,200
TOTAL REVENUE	\$30,526

Does not account for:

- In-kind time and work from trail builder
- In-kind time from Woodlands and other partners
- Community volunteer time
- Other organizational volunteer time
- Friendly ownership
- Existing trail system anchor



Elkins Area Shared Trails (EAST)

- Fiscal sponsorship
- Participation in planning
- Grant writing/management assistance
- Resource and partnership connection
- Technical assistance

KEY

- STUDY AREA
- BUILDINGS
- TYGART VALLEY RIVER
- EXISTING PARK TRAIL
- PROPOSED TRAIL
- PROPOSED BOARDWALK TRAIL
- PROPOSED NATURAL SURFACE TRAIL
- PRESERVED NATURE AREA
- TRAIL ACTIVITY AREAS
- POLLINATOR LAWN
- BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICE AREAS
- AMENITY ICONS
- WAYFINDING SIGNAGE
- PUBLIC ART OPPORTUNITIES
- EXISTING CSOs
- EXISTING 100-YEAR FLOODPLAIN
- RECORDED WETLANDS
- ENHANCED INTERSECTION TREATMENTS FOR BIKE/PED CROSSINGS



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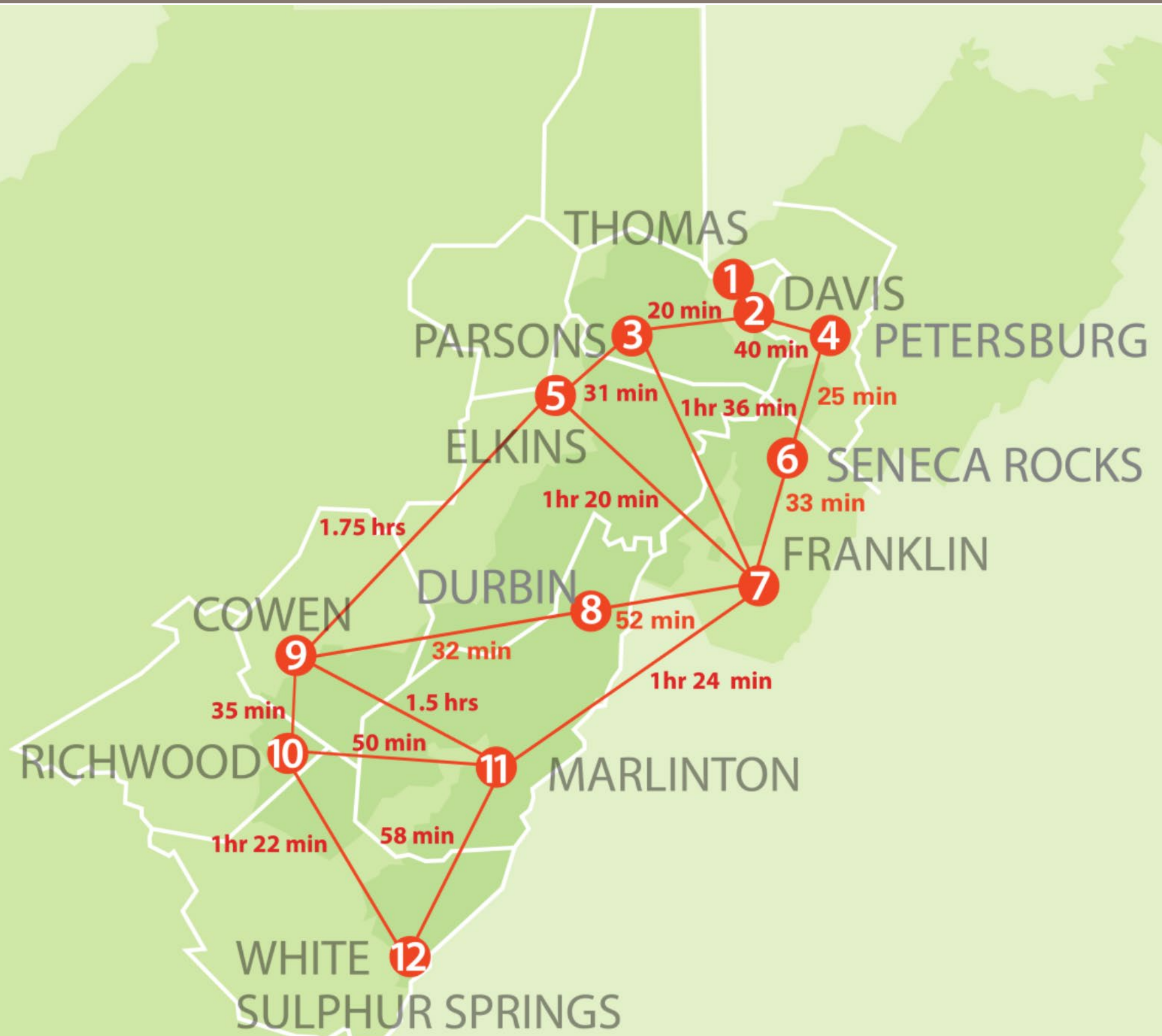
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- Downtown Revitalization
- Beautification

CDFI Support of Trail Work

- Bridge loans and pre-approvals
- Technical Assistance & Resource Connection
- Partnerships
- Fiscal Sponsorship
- Real Estate TA



Mon Forest Towns Partnership



GOAL #4

Develop world-class trails and outdoor recreation opportunities in the Mon Forest Towns region



Who benefits from trails and how?

Trails can transform communities if/when...

- community needs are being taken care of.
- a community is welcoming.
- part of a larger community revitalization plan and associated work.
- community planning complements it.
- incorporated alongside other considerations.
- residents feel empowered, connected, and included.



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