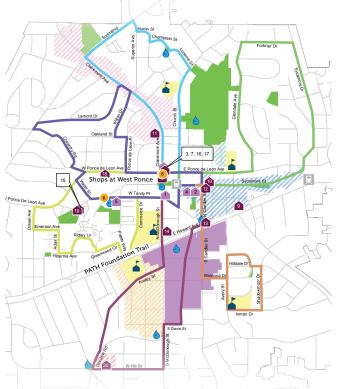
Looking for an ongoing scheduled fitness opportunity? Join your friends at Decatur Active Living.

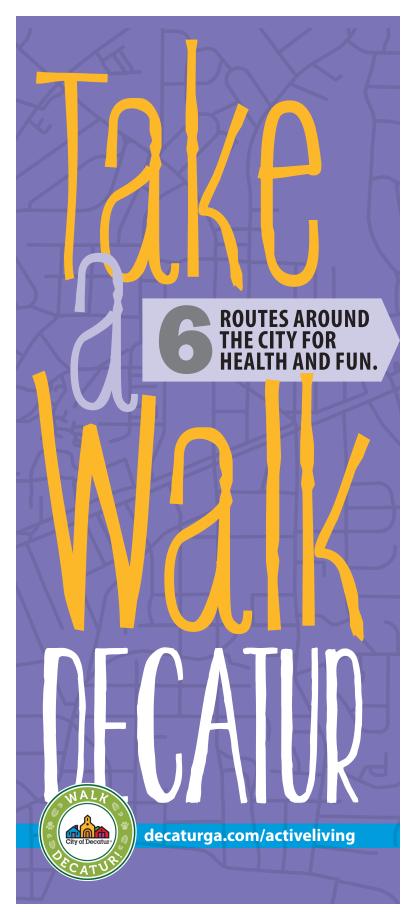
50+ WALKS, for those 50 and older, start at the Recreation Center at 231 Sycamore St. every Wednesday morning (at 9 a.m. May-September, 10 a.m. October-April). These are easy walks, and provide great opportunities to begin a fitness walking regimen and to make friends.

WALK WITH A DOC. On the second Saturday of each month, meet at the Decatur Recreation Center for a leisurely walk led by a medical professional with assistance from Active Living staff. These pros are happy to answer your questions about health, diet and exercise as you walk around the city.





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Park the car, lace up your walking shoes, and get active, Decatur!

Know the benefits

Physical activity doesn't need to be complicated or difficult. A brisk daily walk can help you improve your health and your outlook. For example, a regular walking regimen can help you:

- Maintain a healthy weight
- Prevent or manage various conditions, including heart disease, high blood pressure and type 2 diabetes
- Strengthen your bones and muscles
- Improve your mood
- Improve your balance and coordination

The faster, farther and more frequently you walk, the greater the benefits.

Consider your technique

Turning your normal walk into a fitness stride requires good posture and purposeful movements. Remembers these points to get the most from your effort.

- Keep your head up and your eyes forward. Don't stare at the ground in front of you.
- Your neck, shoulders and back should be relaxed, not stiffly upright.
- Swing your arms freely with a slight bend in your elbows. A little pumping with your arms is OK.
- ► Tighten your stomach muscles slightly and keep your back straight.
- ► Walk smoothly, rolling your foot from heel to toe.



6 Routes Around the City



