

## EAST COAST GREENWAY FUNDRAISING -ASKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT 2018 (28)

I am planning another great adventure this fall: a bike tour from Savanna, Georgia to Titusville, Florida on the East Coast Greenway. Last year we went from Wilmington, North Carolina to Savanna Georgia. This is the 8th year of our 9 year plan to tour the East Coast Greenway (ECG), a 2,900-mile trail route that goes from the Canadian border (Calais) Maine to Key West, Florida (web site [www.greenway.org](http://www.greenway.org) map of the whole route= [map.greenway.org](http://map.greenway.org) The ECG is sometimes called the "Urban Appalachian Trail", as it goes through 27 of the major cities on the East Coast. The route will eventually be entirely on greenway separated from car traffic. Since its founding 26 years ago, over 750 miles of greenway (30%) have been completed and the route is accessible to over 40 million people.

The tour will start on Saturday, November 10th in Savanna, Georgia, and end on Friday, November 16th in Titusville, Florida. Our ride will both explore the ECG, and raise awareness about the project. Towards this end, I have committed to raise \$1,000 for the ECG.

Every dollar I am raising goes to the ECG, but not to pay for my trip as I will be footing the bills for my hotel, food, and travel. Are you willing to support me on my ECG journey by donating toward my fundraising goal? A donation of any amount you could spare is most helpful. All donations are tax deductible, and donations of an amount of \$25 or more will give you a one year membership in the ECG, the non-profit organization that oversees creation of the East Coast Greenway. As a further enticement anybody that donates \$50 or more will receive a train whistle (if you want it). This whistle is similar to the one I use all the time riding on trails and warning walkers that I am approaching them. It is so appropriate to have a train whistle on converted rails to trails.

you can donate on-line at the East Coast Greenway Alliance website:

<https://www.firstgiving.com/fundraiser/RobDexter/2018-Week-A-Year-Bike-Tour> and you may use a credit card, or pay pal - whatever assistance you give is most appreciated. Donations on this page will register with my name (Rob Dexter) and the ECG will let me know about your donation. Please add a comment about your donation on the web page.

\_\_\_O Thank you so much for your support!

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PS: If you go to this site, <https://docs.google.com/file/d/0BwOtE4zdQ7z8cXdSbkisyX2FCZTA/edit>

You can see what the ECG has to offer in CT - I assembled this power point for a presentation about the local CT ECG route 4 years ago, many more improvements have been made, but it is a good backbone of CT.