

# Sharpsburg Main & Canal Walking Route



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## **Heinz Memorial Plaza & Chief Guyasuta Statue**

This plaza serves as a memorial for Sharpsburg's most famous inhabitants: H.J. Heinz, who started the company bearing his name in Sharpsburg in 1869, and Guyasuta, a Seneca Chief who served as a friend and guide to General George Washington.

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## **St. Mary Church**

With the cornerstone laid in 1916 and church dedicated in 1917, this is the third St. Mary Church to stand at this site. Built by a parish established by German immigrants in 1852, St. Mary Church is Sharpsburg's most iconic piece of architecture.

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## **Corporal Kenneth Curley Memorial Parklet**

Dedicated in 2016, this park honors the memory of a Sharpsburg WWII Veteran who fought in the Pacific Theater in the first days of the war and survived as prisoner of war until he was rescued after the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

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## **Kennedy Park**

The Borough dedicated the park following the assassination of President John F. Kennedy on land that was donated by the Heinz family. From 1829 until 1861, the Pennsylvania Canal flowed through this strip of land, and from 1864 until 1958 the Pennsylvania Railroad ran through it.

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## **16th St. Children's Park**

Re-dedicated in 2000 to the Children of Sharpsburg, the Heinz Family donated the park space to the Borough. Famous for its buckeye trees, the playground is also home to Sharpsburg's first Little Free Library and a summer spray park.

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## **James Sharp Landing**

Opened in 2008, James Sharp Landing is named after the founder of the Borough of Sharpsburg. The Landing is home to free public boat and kayak launches, a fishing pier, and community events.

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## **Sharpsburg Community Library & Sharpsburg Community Garden**

Re-opened in the summer of 2015 after a million-dollar renovation, the Sharpsburg Community Library is an award-winning library serving as a community hub and learning center. The Library is also home to the Sharpsburg Community Garden, which features numerous raised beds for residents to grow and nurture fruit, vegetable, and flower gardens.