



# Ford Nature Center

MILL CREEK METROPARKS

Ford Nature Center is centrally located in the Historic District of Mill Creek Park and serves as the nature education facility for Mill Creek MetroParks. Visitors of all ages can learn about local habitats and natural history through interactive exhibits and nature-inspired activities. In addition, MetroParks Educators at Ford Nature Center offer a variety of educational activities year-round. These activities are conducted throughout the MetroParks and include: special events, tractor-wagon rides, step-on tours, school programs, guided hikes, kayak trips, trolley tours, indoor and outdoor programs, and membership programs.



## Plan Your Visit

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Visit the newly redeveloped Ford Nature Center and take advantage of an interactive map where you'll learn about the history of Mill Creek Park. Enjoy the beautiful rooftop garden and see all the ways it benefits the environment and our community. A variety of bird species can be observed and heard in the indoor bird nook. Then, venture downstairs to the hands-on nature-inspired exhibits. Register to attend one of the many programs held in the Education Building and outdoor nature classrooms. Don't forget to stop by the gift shop where you can find a variety of park-inspired merchandise.



Take a leisurely stroll on the Virginia J. Axtmann Nature Trail for All People, a paved .25 mile barrier-free trail, located next to Ford Nature Center. The Nature Center also serves as an excellent starting point for several longer scenic hikes to beloved locations such as the Lily Pond, Suspension Bridge, Lanterman's Mill, and Lakes Glacier and Cohasset, as well as access to East Cohasset Hike & Bike Trail.

Tuesday - Sunday, 10 am - 5pm  
*Closed Monday & Observed Holidays*

Open year-round, free admission



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For more information about  
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