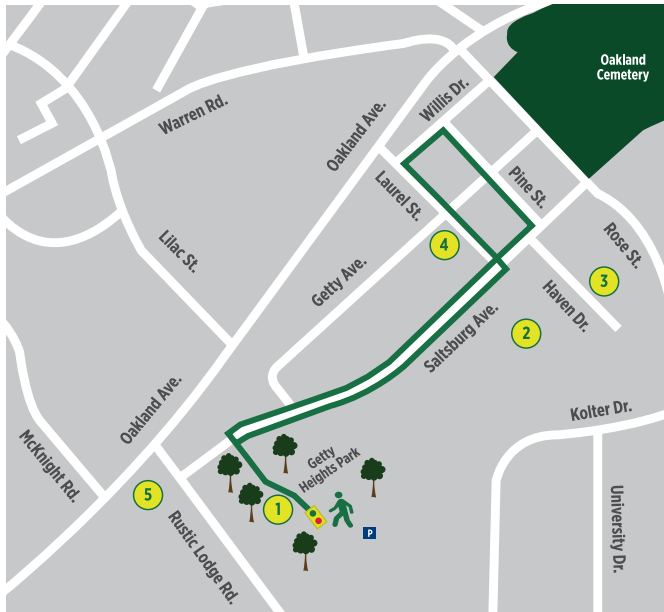


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**1 Getty Heights Park**  
Five acres, formerly part of the Getty Farm, were purchased in 1967 by Indiana County on the corner of Rustic Lodge Road and Saltsburg Avenue. In 1993, it was expanded by 7.2 acres to its current size. The amenities in the park include a playground, ball field, picnic pavilion, disc golf and a future dog park.

**2 Indiana County Properties**  
Indiana County purchased a 180 acre tract from Elmer Campbell in May 1907. The Indiana County Home (now Rose Haven) was constructed in 1907-1908 and was home to nearly 50 “inmates” who worked the farmland surrounding the property. Nearby were the Willard Home Orphanage, built in the 1880’s, and the Willard Home School which opened in 1926.

**3 Indiana County Emergency Management**  
Home to the County 911 and other emergency services, Indiana County EMA moved to this site in 2000. EMA’s mission is to save lives, reduce suffering and protect the environment. This is accomplished by leading and coordinating county agencies and resources to prevent, protect, prepare, respond and recover from man-made or natural disasters.

**4 Township Roots**  
White Township was established in 1843 when acres of farmland covered the majority of this area. However, with State Route 286 as a primary connection in and out of Indiana, urbanization was inevitable. In the late 1960’s, residential areas, commercial development and urban businesses filled in the gaps between the township and the borough.

**5 Rustic Lodge**  
Previous to the Lodge’s creation, the area was known for its wildlife and hiking opportunities. In the late 1920’ s, the site was developed by Leslie Pattison and transformed into a picnic area and restaurant. In 1947, the property and log constructed building was acquired by Tony Ricupero, who built the restaurant into one of the largest banquet facilities in the area.