





What is the Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor (DLNHC)?













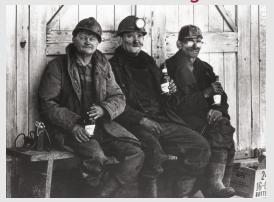
Established to preserve the historic pathway that carried anthracite coal and iron from Wilkes-Barre to Bristol





Today, the D&L connects people to:

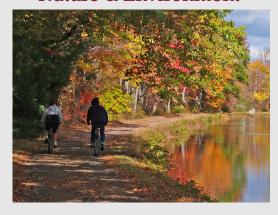
Industrial Heritage



Economic Development



Nature & Environment



Health & Wellness

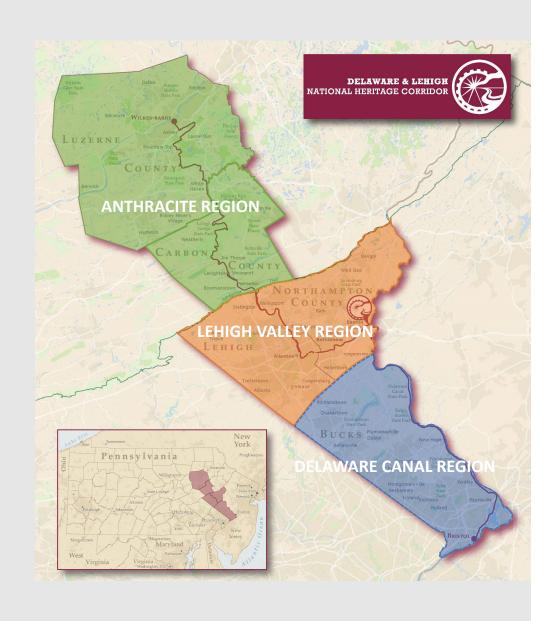




Three Regions of the DLNHC

The Longest Multi-Use Trail in Pennsylvania

The Delaware Canal Towpath is PA's 2022 Trail of the Year!





Upcoming Trail Events

4/23 Celebrate Trails Day

6/4 National Trails Day

11/6 Heritage Half Marathon

Volunteer Opportunities April through October









Tell Me More About the D&L Trail!



Trail Basics Historic Transportation Route



<u>Canal Towpath</u>—along the historic towpath used by mules to pull the canal boats – often sandwiched between canal and river (*Narrower & Steeper Sides*)



Rail Trail—built on top of historic railbed that has been removed – often see rail ties next to the trail (Wider & Flatter Edges)



Trail Basics Status Designations



Open & Improved—open to the public- meets D&L standards for width, surface material, and accessibility



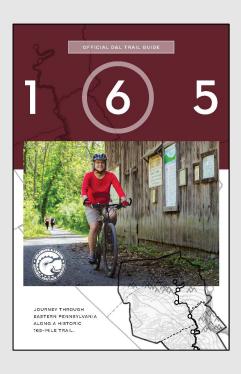
Open & **Unimproved**— open to the public- not yet enhanced for width, surface type, or accessibility

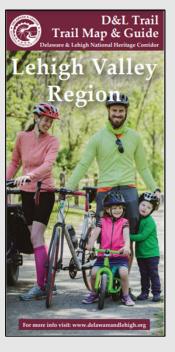


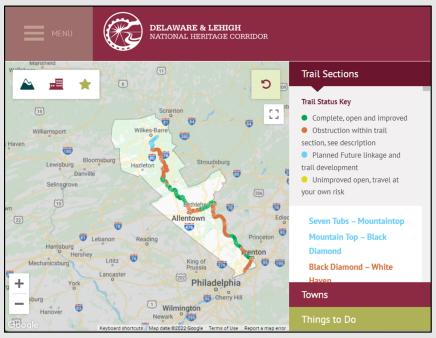
<u>Future</u>—Not open to public yet-future trail planned



Resources

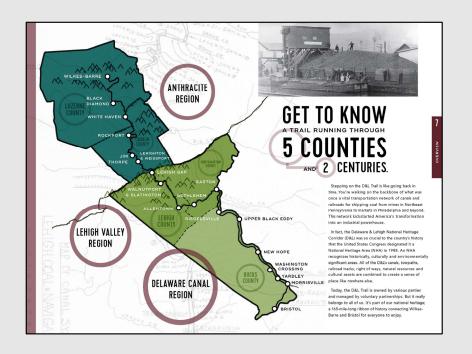


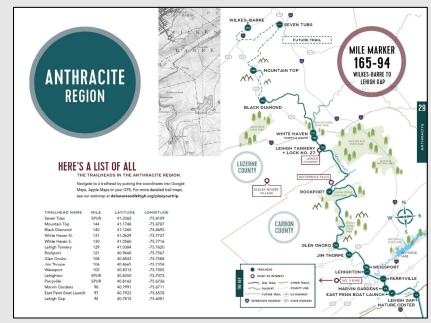






Resources Guidebook

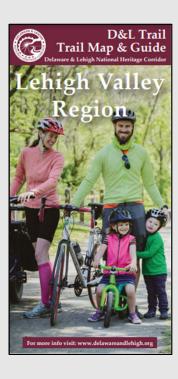


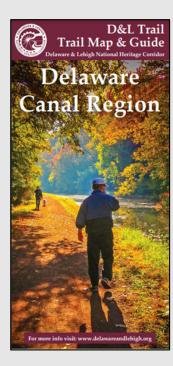




Resources Regional Brochures



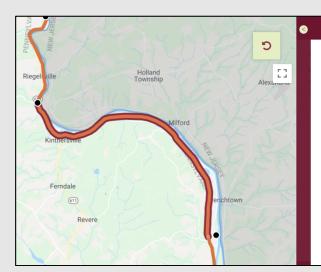








Resources Interactive Webmap

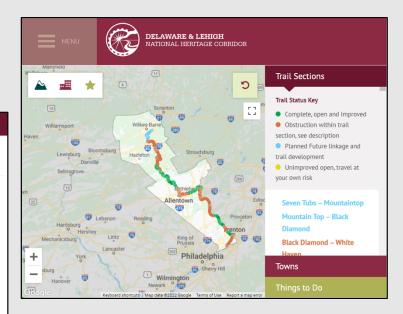


Trail Section: Durham Aqueduct – Tinicum Park

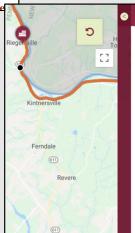
Status: Obstruction within trail section, see description
 Distance: 10.7

TOWPATH CLOSURE (MILE 43) due to a bank collapse. Trail users should turn around at the closure and not attempt to get by.

12/10/2021 Update: If you plan to use the Delaware Canal region of the D&L Trail it is highly advised that you use caution between Easton (MP 58.89) and Point Pleasant, Lock 14 (MP32.3) keeping alert for trail damage or debris. The towpath is closed in the area of Upper Black Eddy (MP 43) due to a bank collapse/washout to the river and Lumberville (MP 31) for the emergency removal of the Lumberville Aqueduct. Areas of SR 611 and River Road (RT 32) are washed out leaving are









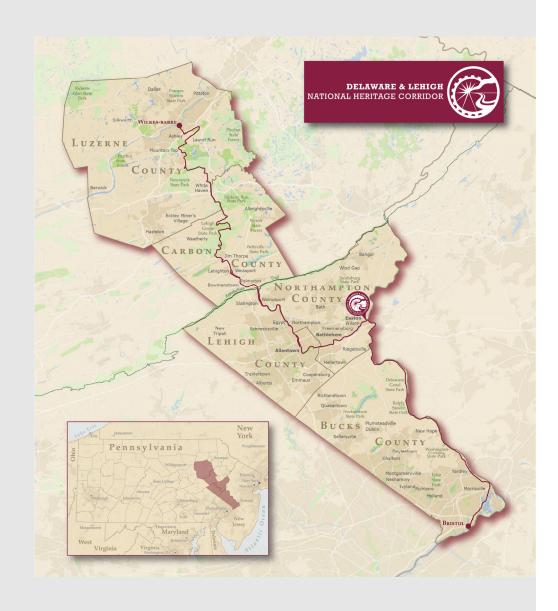
The village of Riegelsville, a National Historic District, has a fine collection of commercial and residential buildings.

Especially impressive are the mansions built by local industrialists.

The bridge over the Delaware River here is one of the few remaining multi-span, highway suspension bridges with continuous cables. For comparison sake, consider that the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge has



Trail Projects: Status of the D&L Trail by County





Trail Status *Luzerne County*

MM 165+ to 125.5





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MM 165+ to 125.5

• Miles Complete: 17 Primary, 0.5 Spur

Future Miles: 20+

• Trailheads: 7

Spur Trails: Black Diamond Trail

Connector

Primarily Rail Trail with scenic views of mountains and forests

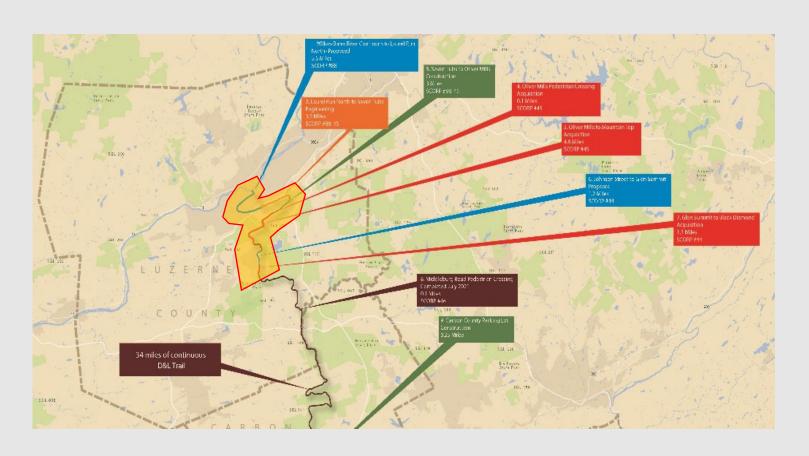
Part of Pinchot State Forest



LANDOWNERS

- 1. LEHIGH GORGE STATE PARK
- WHITE HAVEN BOROUGH
- 3. ANTRHRACITE SCENIC TRAILS ASSOCIATION
- 4. BUREAU OF FORESTRY
- NORTH BRANCH LAND TRUST
- 6. MULTIPLE FUTURE LANDOWNERS- TBD

Future Trail: Luzerne Gap





Trail Status

Carbon County

MM 125.5 to 94.5





Trail Status Carbon County

MM 125.5 to 94.5

• Miles: 31 Primary, 2.37 Spur,

• Trailheads: 8

Spur Trails: Lehighton & Parryville

1st Fully Connected County! Links to great towns and views

Part of Lehigh Gorge State Park

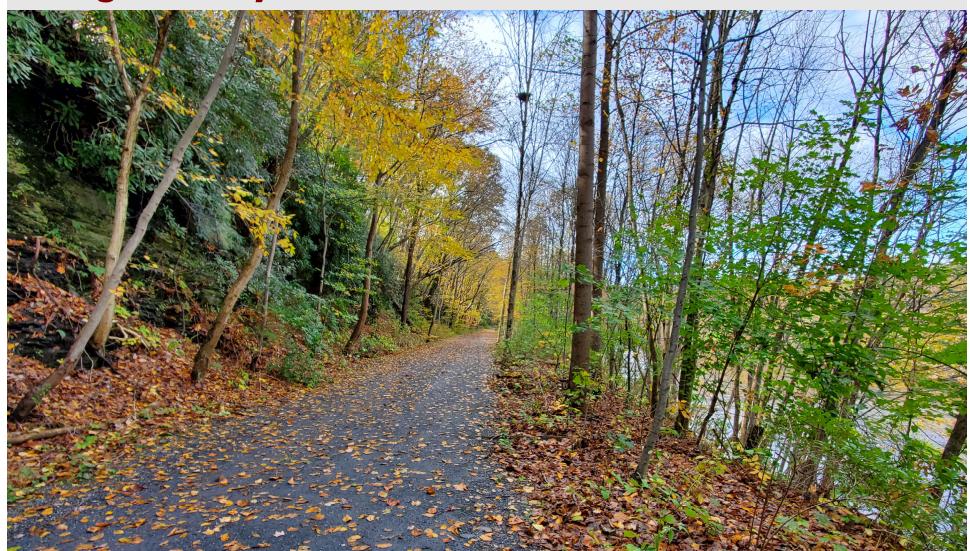


LANDOWNERS

- 1. EAST PENN TOWNSHIP
- 2. LEHIGHTON BOROUGH
- WEISSPORT BOROUGH
- 4. LEHIGH CANAL RECREATION COMMISSION
- 5. JIM THORPE BOROUGH
- 6. CARBON COUNTY
- 7. LEHIGH GORGE STATE PARK

Trail Status Lehigh County

MM 94.5 to 83 MM 80.2 to 71





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MM 94.5 to 83 MM 80.2 to 71

Miles Complete: 18 Primary

 Future Miles: 10.6 (including loop trail)

• Trailheads: 9

Spur Trails: Lehigh Valley Loop Trail

Lehigh Canal Towpath and Rail Trail offer scenic trail and links to Allentown and Bethlehem



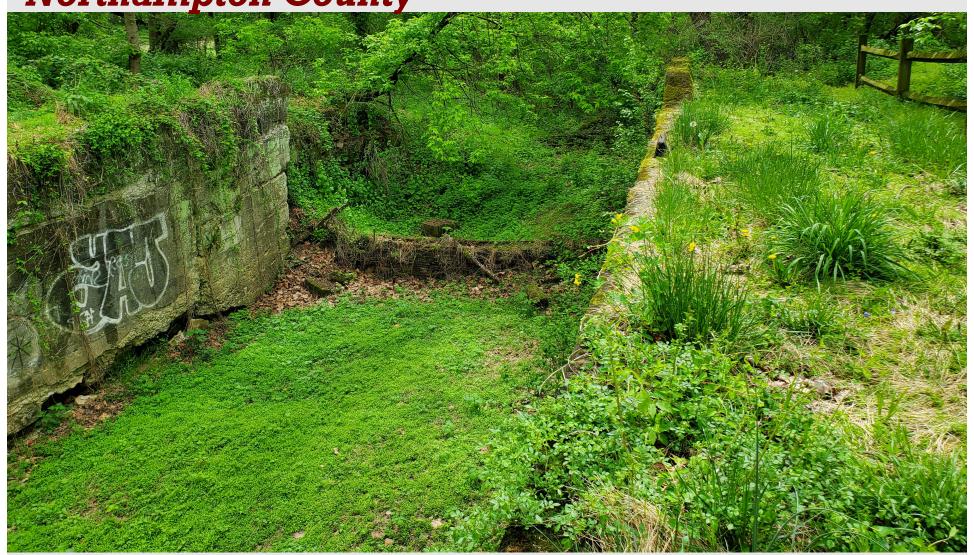
LANDOWNERS

- 1. CITY OF BETHLEHEM
- 2. CITY OF ALLENTOWN
- 3. LEHIGH COUNTY

- 4. HANOVER TOWNSHIP
- 5. CATASAUQUA BOROUGH
- 6. SLATINGTON BOROUGH
- 7. WALNUTPORT BOROUGH (SPUR)

Trail Status Northampton County

MM 83 to 80.2 MM 71 to 51.3





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MM 83 to 80.2 MM 71 to 51.3

Miles Complete: 22.6 Primary, 4.58 Spur

Future Miles: 1.5

• Trailheads: 12

 Spur Trails: Walnutport, Sand Island, Hugh Moore Park

Includes Lehigh Canal and Delaware Canal towpath with links to multiple cities and towns

Part of Delaware Canal State Park



LANDOWNERS

- 1. CITY OF FASTON
- PALMER TOWNSHIP
- PA FISH & BOAT COMMISSION
- 4. BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP
- 5. FREEMANSBURG BOROUGH
- 6. CITY OF BETHLEHEM
- 7. NORTH CATASAUQUA BOROUGH
- 8. NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH

Future Trail: Lehigh Valley Gap





Trail Status **Bucks County**

MM 52.6 to 0





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MM 52.6 to 0

Miles Open: 52 Primary

• Future Miles: 0.6

• Trailheads: 17

A majority of the Delaware Canal Towpath with iconic features, community links, and loop opportunities with parallel D&R Trail

Part of the Delaware Canal State Park



LANDOWNERS

- 1. BRISTOL BOROUGH
- 2. DELAWARE CANAL STATE PARK

Tropical Storm Ida Damage Status

Multiple new and worsened trail obstructions along the Delaware Canal







How Can I Get More Involved?

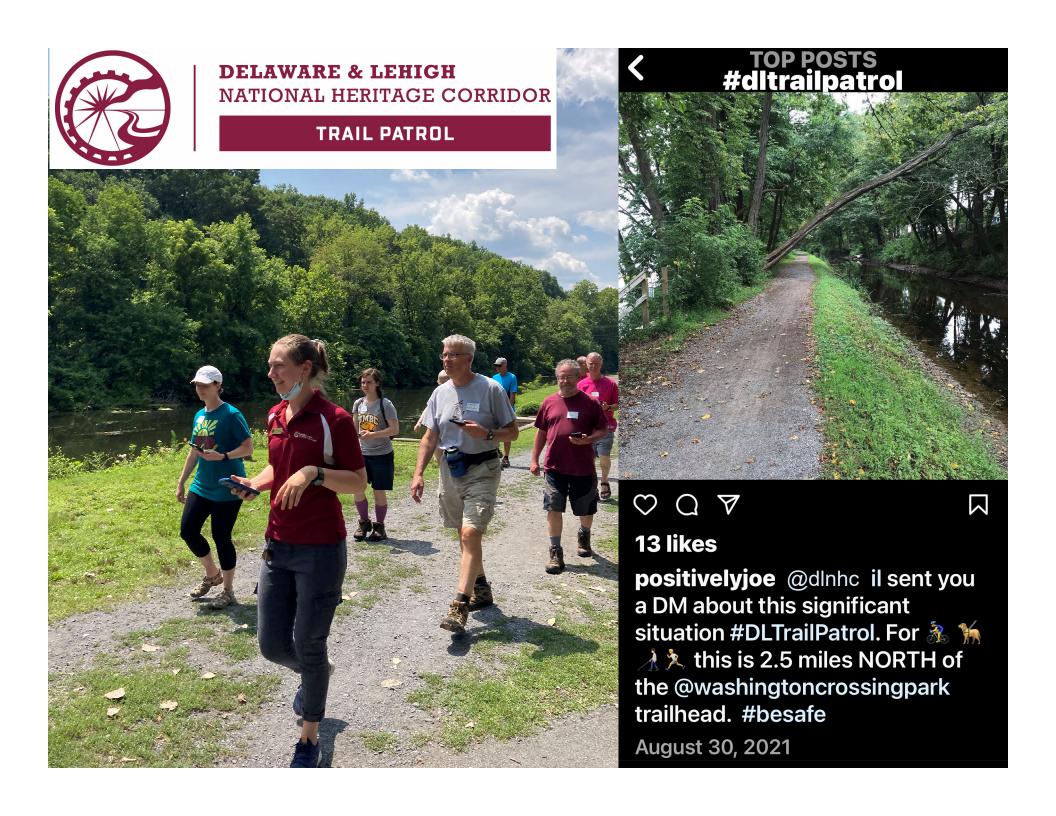


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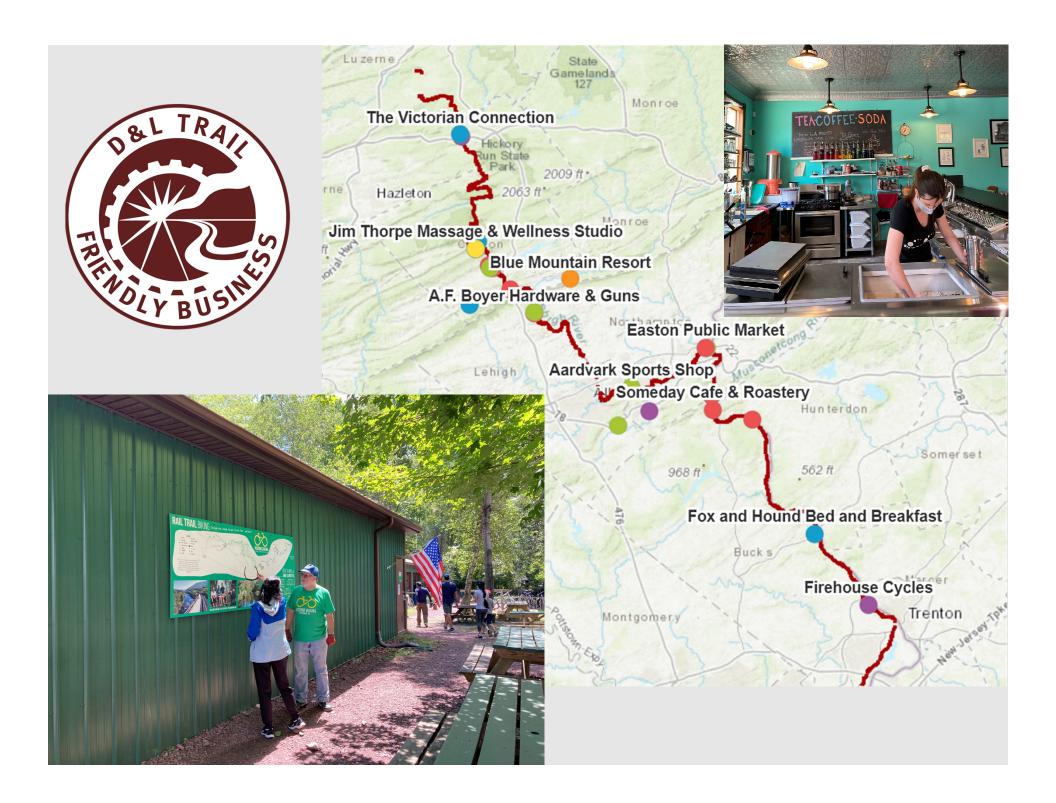
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Tell Me How DLNHC supports regional conservation efforts!



Lehigh Valley Greenways

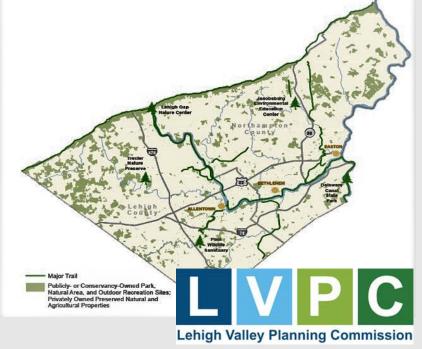


A Conservation Landscape Partnership with Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources





















Wildlands Conservancy

Lehigh Valley Greenways Mini Grants Program:

and Habitat Enhancement

Project

Restoring land and waterways











Take Action

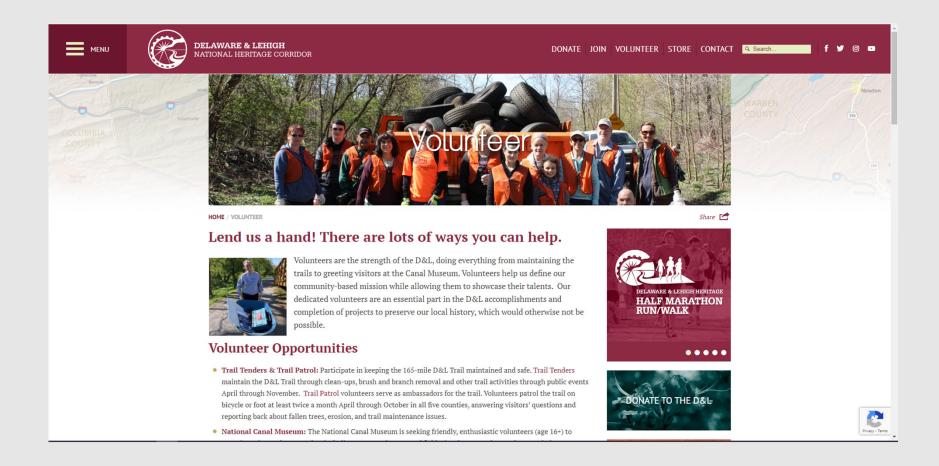








Volunteer







Please post your questions in the chat or use the raise hand feature.

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Thank You!

