



# First Day Hikes



**Celebrate the New Year with Maryland's annual First Day Hike! Enjoy a self-guided, 3.7-mile loop hike along the Lakeshore Trail, featuring scenic winter views and chances to spot local wildlife.**

**Stop by our Welcome Table near the Recycled Tire Playground to pick up a map, explore with field guides and scavenger hunt activities, or test your knowledge with trivia games! Don't forget to grab your "I Hiked 2025" sticker and take a photo at our selfie station to commemorate your adventure and warm up with some coffee and hot chocolate, served as supplies last by the Friends of Seneca Creek State Park.**

**Please wear comfortable hiking shoes, dress appropriately for the weather, and bring plenty of drinking water.**

**January 1, 2025 | 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.**

**Welcome Table at the Nature Shack by the Recycled Tire Playground**

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