



Man Running Across the State for Political Redistricting

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51-year-old Paul Mathison is currently running around the state of Pennsylvania to inspire change for political redistricting. He started April 1st in Philadelphia. Wednesday, Mathison was in Erie spreading the word. It marks the half way point of his 1,000 mile run.

He wants redistricting, which happens every 10 years after the U.S. Census, to be a more fair process that doesn't benefit certain politicians.

"The specific goal of the redistricting effort and the run is to promote transparency in the process. Keep it an open process when the district boundaries are being redrawn, which is occurring right now and it will over the next several months. And secondly, compactness of those resulting district boundaries," said Mathison.

Mathison now has around 500 more miles to go on his trip back to Philadelphia.

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TRIVIA: On April 20th TV news anchor Slomsky and a cameraman, using The Run's GPS tool, tracked down Mathison on the streets of Erie. The interview was broadcast that evening and the next day. Mathison humbly exploited this brief fame by asking for, and receiving, a discount at a local motel. This lodging tactic was pursued with varying degrees of success, and failure, during The Run.