

The Abilene and Smoky Valley Railroad  
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The Abilene and Smoky Valley Railroad was founded in 1993 as a heritage railway, dedicated to preserving the legacy of the railroad industry in Kansas by highlighting the interconnectedness of railroads, the people, and the land in our state. An all-volunteer organization, the Abilene and Smoky Valley Railroad runs regular excursions, private charters, school field trip excursions and dinner trains between Abilene and the neighboring Dickinson County community of Enterprise. The railroad operates on track that was initially laid by the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad in 1886.

This information and more can be found on The Abilene and Smoky Valley Railroad website: [asvrr.org/history/](http://asvrr.org/history/)