Great Rivers Greenway

your regional greenway district

Great Rivers Greenway improves the quality of life in the St. Louis region by connecting people to their rivers, parks and communities through a network of greenways. We are a regional, sales tax funded district, created by a vote of the people.

- **Greenways:** outdoor spaces connecting people and places
- 110 miles completed, 17 active greenway corridors, 2 million+ users annually

*Greenways let residents and visitors explore and enjoy the region and live life outside!*

Our River Ring system of greenways helps our regional well-being by enhancing our economy, natural assets and civic pride.

Greenways help our personal well-being because they make it easy to lead a healthy lifestyle, get around town and meet our neighbors.
Benefits of Greenways

Connect you to rivers and parks
Celebrate history and culture
Explore open space
Conserve plants and animals
Separate from car traffic
Free place to exercise
Get around town and have fun
Strengthen the local economy

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River des Peres Greenway Connections

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Why is this project needed?
This new project will extend the River des Peres Greenway from the Lansdowne Shrewsbury Metrolink Station to Francis R. Slay Park. There will be a new concrete trail that is separated from car traffic for people to walk, push a stroller, ride a bike or use a wheelchair. This project will also improve the deteriorated roadway with the resurfacing of Ellendale Ave., surface sealing of Wabash Ave., as well as improved drainage, new lighting and better traffic signals.

When will this project be built and how will it be funded?
Construction will begin in late 2016 and continue through fall 2017. Funding will be provided by a federal grant for Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) projects with a local match from Great Rivers Greenway.

How will the design of this project reduce future maintenance and benefit the environment?
• Concrete trail will provide cost-effective long-term maintenance.
• New storm water management features are low maintenance.
• Strategic drainage design minimizes the number of sewer structures.
• Existing sewage pipes and planters will be recycled.
• New trees, native plants and grasses will be planted along the greenway that require minimal maintenance, reduce storm water runoff and prevent erosion.
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River des Peres Greenway
Before and After

Section A - Lansdowne Ave. (Metro Station to Wabash Ave.)

Existing North

Proposed North

Section B - Wabash Ave. (Lansdowne Ave. to Lindenwood Pl.)

Existing West

Proposed West

Section C - Wabash Ave. (Lindenwood Pl. to I-44 Underpass)

Existing West

Proposed West

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Section D – I-44 Underpass

Section E – Ellendale Ave. (I-44 Underpass to Leamington Ave.)

Section F – Ellendale Ave. (Leamington Ave. to Canterbury Ave.)

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How Would You Like to Use the Greenway?

Place a sticker beneath the 3 activities that you would most like to do on a greenway.

Yoga  Gardening Club  Music Festival  Farmers Market
Craft/Art Fair  Community Garden  Health Fair  Running Club
Outdoor Classroom  Exercise Class  Shaved Ice Stand  Bicycle Rental
Volunteering  Nature Tour  Photography Class  Children’s Activities

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How would you like the River des Peres Greenway to connect to Forest Park in the future? Put a sticker beneath the route you prefer.

Thank you for visiting the River des Peres Greenway Open House! For future project updates, visit www.GreatRiversGreenway.org.
Goals of this project:

- Safety; reduce speeding, improve intersections, separate path for people walking, riding bikes or using a wheelchair
- New & improved infrastructure (roadway, sidewalks, lighting, greenway)
- Greenway connection from Forest Park to Mississippi River

SAFETY
- New greenway creates separate spaces for people driving cars and people walking or riding bikes
- Raised crosswalks will make it easier for people driving cars to see people walking across the street
- New greenway will shorten the distance for people to walk across Wabash Ave. at intersections
- Reduced number of southbound car travel lanes will reduce speeding in both directions
- Reduced width of car travel lanes will reduce speeding without adding travel time

INFRASTRUCTURE
- New roadway surface
- New greenway with paved trail
- Improved storm water management and drainage
- New, low-maintenance, native landscaping
- New lighting under Interstate 44
- Existing on-street parking will be marked
- Improved traffic signals

CONNECTION
- New greenway will make it possible to walk or ride a bike all the way from Francis R. Slay Park to Jefferson Barracks Park. Future plans include extension to Forest Park!