



Views from the Greenways



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MISSION & VISION FOR GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY

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Great Rivers Greenway makes the St. Louis region a more vibrant place to live, work and play by developing a network of greenways to connect people to their rivers, parks and communities.

VISION OF GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY

The residents of the St. Louis region voted for and invested in a clear, bold vision – a dynamic network of parks and open spaces linked together by greenways, connecting our communities so people can live life outside. The network of greenways strengthens the social, economic and environmental well-being of our region. Community members proudly invest in, care for and champion greenways for years to come.

WHAT IS A GREENWAY?

Greenways are outdoor spaces connecting people and places. More than just a trail, each greenway is unique, with neighborhoods, businesses, parks and rivers to explore. You can take a walk, go for a run, ride a bike, or get some fresh air.

WHO IS GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY?

Great Rivers Greenway is a regional parks and trails district, created by a vote of the people in the year 2000 to leave a legacy for future generations. That vote created a sales tax that funds our district to build, bring to life and care for the network of greenways. Our district includes the 1,200 square miles and nearly 2 million citizens in St. Louis City, St. Louis County and St. Charles County.



BOSCHERT GREENWAY

St. Charles County

The Boschert Greenway links the Missouri River and the Katy Trail, goes through Historic Downtown St. Charles, through Fox Hill Park and up to New Town, a planned community within the city of St. Charles. Along the way you will see a “Living Wall” of native grasses and the popular bicycle art sculpture called “Blomstre.” Created by Maplewood, Missouri artist Andrew Andrasko, the 30-foot tall “flower” is made of bike wheels with bike frame petals.





Total Trail Length:
4.5 Miles

BUSCH GREENWAY

St. Charles County

This greenway combines beautiful settings like hardwood forests and a creek with a bustling research park full of businesses and natural conservation areas. It connects the Missouri State Parks' Katy Trail to the University of Missouri's Research Park to the Weldon Spring and Busch Conservation areas, going by Francis Howell High School and Highway 94 in the process. Walkers, runners and bikers alike enjoy getting some fresh air on this scenic, sunny route!



Greenway Fact:

Greenways, like the Busch Greenway, are a refuge for nature, serving as native seed banks and important corridors for wildlife.





Total Trail Length:
4.7 Miles

CENTENNIAL GREENWAY:

Forest Park to Washington University to Vernon

St. Louis City & County

This greenway extends from Forest Park through the Washington University campus. The trail continues north to Delmar Boulevard where you can enjoy a meal at one of The Loop's popular restaurants or simply sit and enjoy a cold drink or coffee. The greenway connects to a plaza that features a life size statue of St. Louis' own "Father of Rock and Roll" Chuck Berry. Beyond the Plaza, it then heads north along Ackert Walkway through University City's Parkview Gardens neighborhood.



Total Trail Length:
1.4 Miles

CENTENNIAL GREENWAY: Katy Trail to Heritage Museum

St. Charles County

This section of greenway travels along Page Avenue and residential neighborhoods in St. Charles County. It connects to the 4.7-mile paved Creve Coeur Connector trail which has a separated bike lane on the Page Avenue Extension Bridge; making it possible to walk, run or ride all the way to Creve Coeur Park. You can also take the Katy Trail to explore historic Main Street in St. Charles and Frontier Park.



**More
greenway
coming in
2017!**

Total Trail Length:
2.2 Miles

CENTENNIAL GREENWAY:

Shaw Park to Olive

St. Louis County

This section of the Centennial Greenway links together the communities of Clayton, University City, Ladue and Olivette, making it easy to travel on foot or bike between parks, businesses, schools, doctors offices and neighborhoods. Stop and get a treat at Maggie Moos or Jilly's Cupcake Bar! Better yet, relax on a park bench, have a picnic or play on the playground at Shaw Park.



Total Trail Length:
3 Miles

DARDENNE GREENWAY:

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St. Charles County

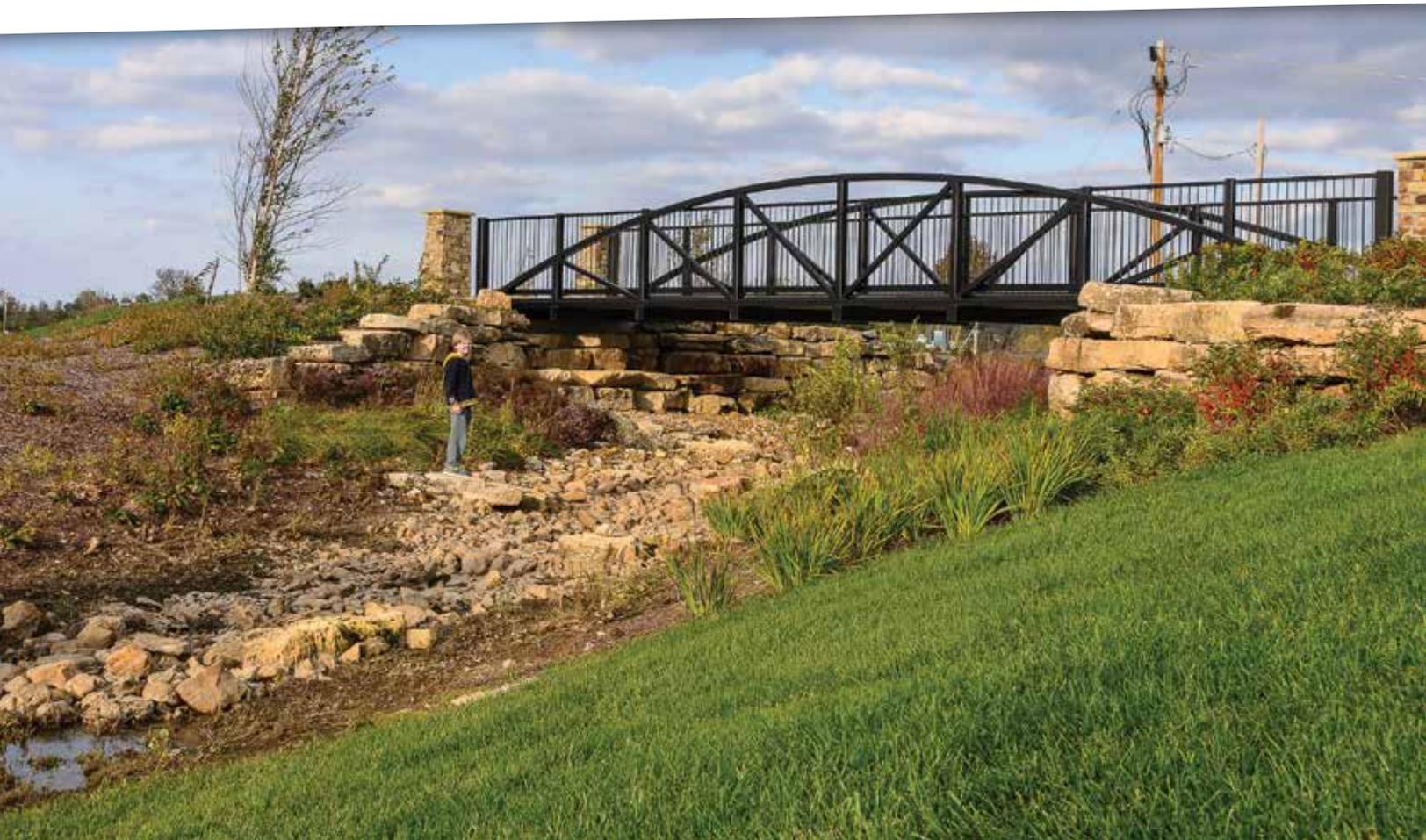
While this section of greenway extends through a residential area and runs near commercial development, it feels rural and offers lots of green, open space to explore and enjoy. The greenway winds around a 15-acre lake, and along the way you will see new wetlands that have been created to enrich the habitat of native animals and plants. You can enjoy quiet and calming views of Dardenne Creek while taking in all the free fresh air you can muster. Be sure to notice all the lovely native Missouri plantings along the trail.



Total Trail Length:
4 Miles

DARDENNE GREENWAY: **Legacy Park to Dardenne Park** St. Charles County

The Dardenne Greenway winds along Dardenne Creek and links together hundreds of acres of parks as well as neighborhoods, communities, businesses and schools. Leave your car behind and walk or ride to athletic fields, a dog park, St. Charles Community College or to just get outside and enjoy some fresh air! You can enjoy the many “botanical vignettes” of natives species and other plants that flourish in Missouri’s climate.



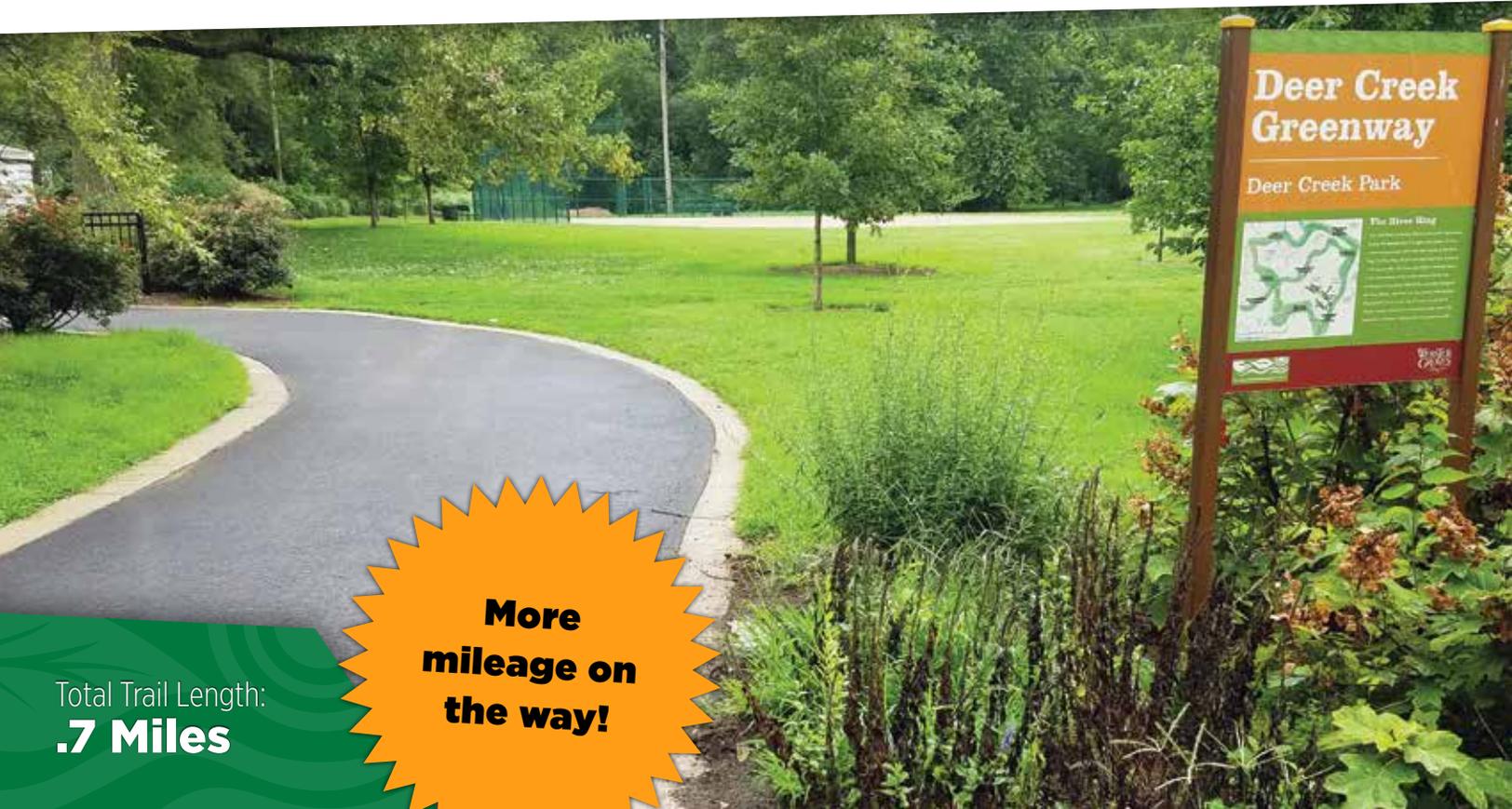


Total Trail Length:
6.7 Miles

DEER CREEK GREENWAY

St. Louis County

Using this greenway, you can walk or ride to nearby parks, Deer Creek Center and connect to restaurants, businesses and residential neighborhoods in Maplewood, Webster Groves and Brentwood. Often called “Rocket Park” because of its space-themed playground and tall rocket slide, Deer Creek Park offers a very popular gathering place for families with small children. This flat greenway is a great place for youngsters to learn how to ride a bike!



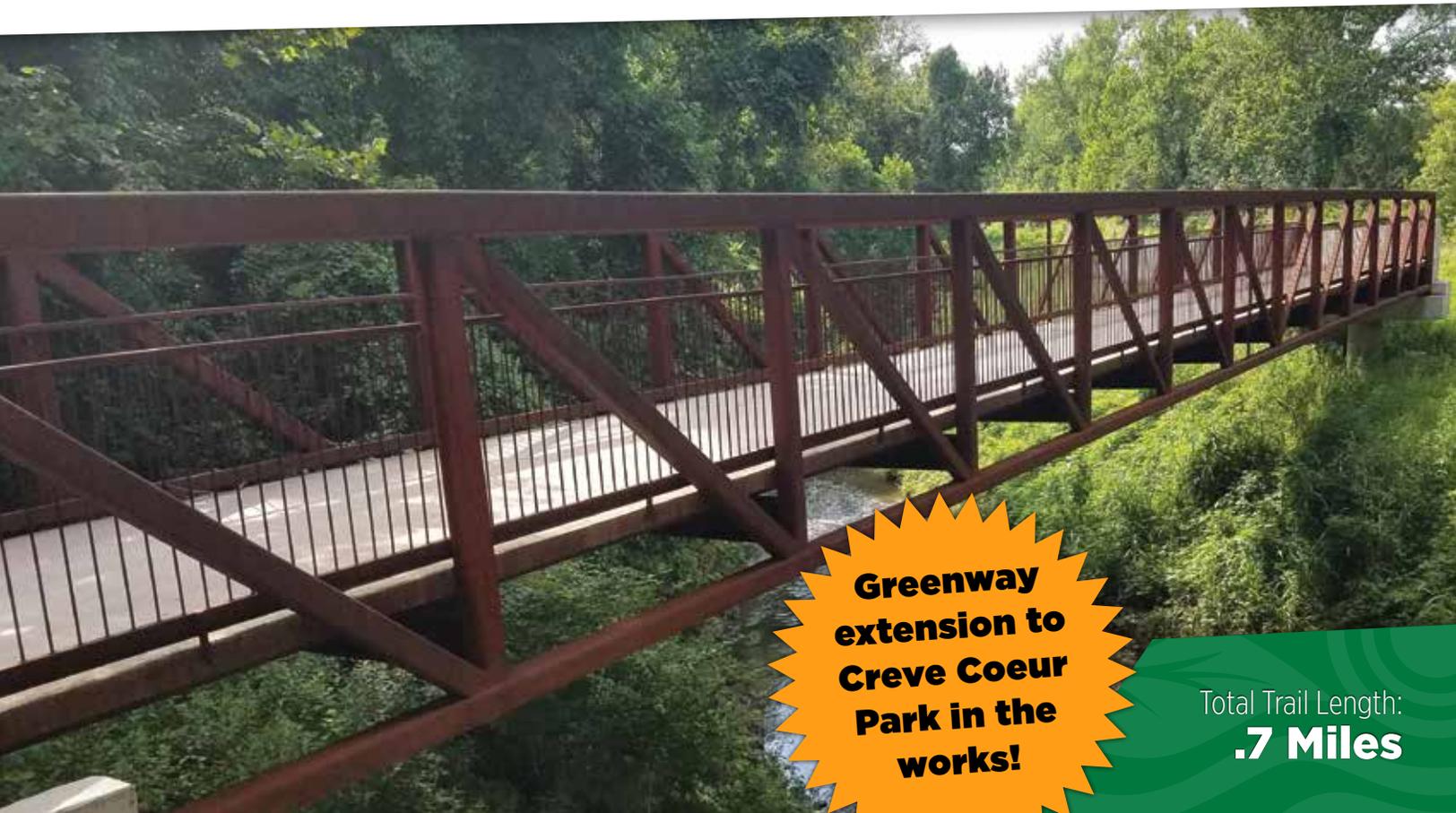
Total Trail Length:
.7 Miles

**More
mileage on
the way!**

FEE FEE GREENWAY

St. Louis County

The Fee Fee Greenway parallels Fee Fee Creek, within the Missouri River watershed. It is a suburban greenway that connects the Maryland Heights Community Center, Aquaport and Dogport to McKelvey Woods, a wooded area owned by the City of Maryland Heights. You can enjoy views of Fee Fee Creek as you run, walk or ride a bike. This is a quiet and peaceful trail – perfect for a dog walk!



Greenway extension to Creve Coeur Park in the works!

Total Trail Length:
.7 Miles

GRAVOIS GREENWAY

St. Louis County

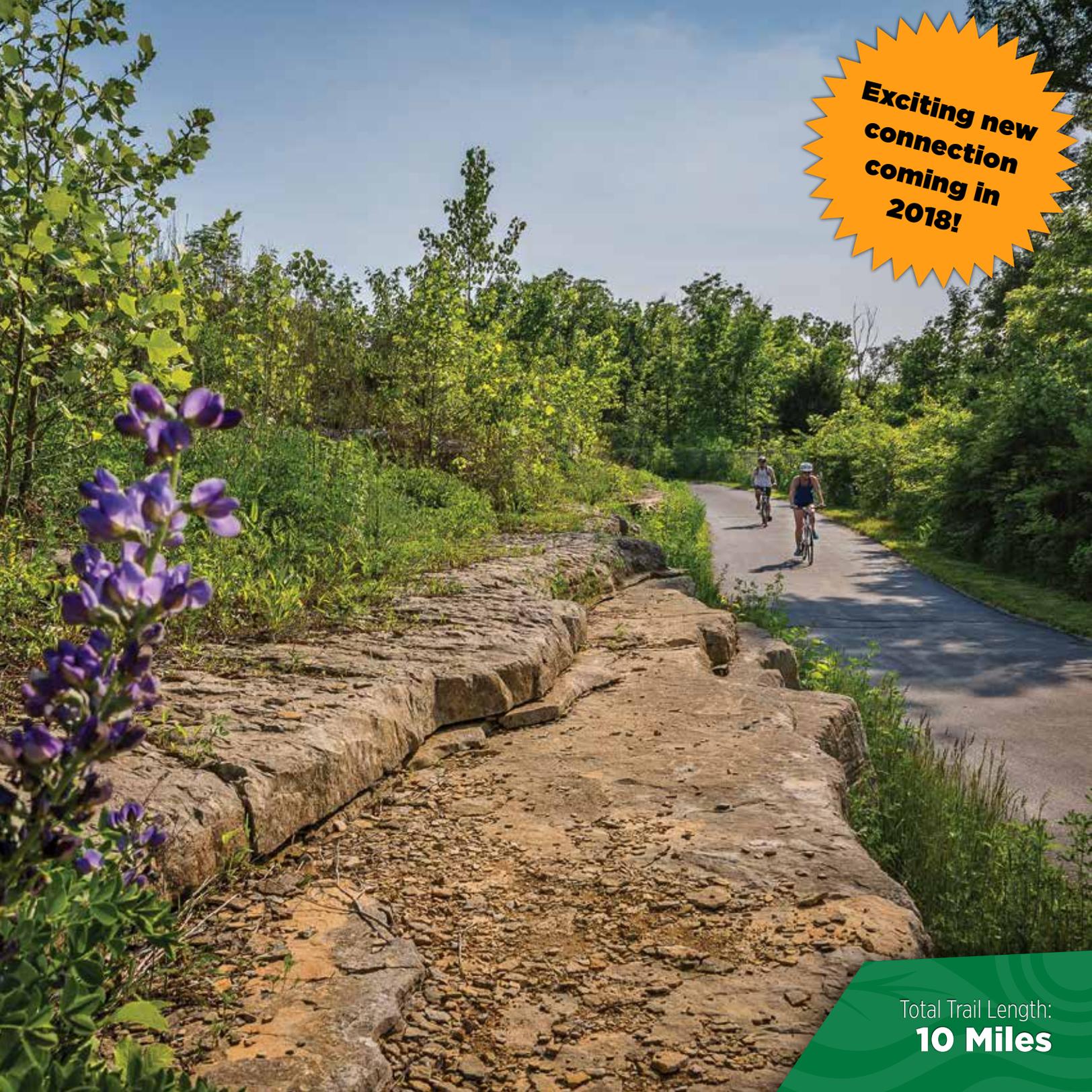
The Gravois Greenway meanders through six municipalities and connects several parks, schools, neighborhoods, libraries and athletic facilities. Grant's Trail – the centerpiece of the greenway – follows a former Missouri Pacific Railroad line and passes by Grant's Farm and several other historic sites. Runners, walkers and cyclists of all ages can be found year-round enjoying this ribbon of green space in the middle of south St. Louis County.



Greenway Fact:

The St. Louis region is a historic center for international trade. Since prehistoric times, our rivers have been used to transport people and goods. Railroads also played a critical role, and many of our greenways (including the Gravois Greenway) follow the routes of the rail lines that converged upon the city.





**Exciting new
connection
coming in
2018!**

Total Trail Length:
10 Miles

MERAMEC GREENWAY: George Winter Park to Unger Park

St. Louis County

This section of the Meramec Greenway stretches between Unger Park where the river makes a sharp turn south all the way to George Winter Park. There are scenic river views and plenty of recreational green spaces to explore and enjoy along the way. It connects neighborhoods, a light industrial park, parks, a golf course and historic Old Towne Fenton as it meanders through south St. Louis County.



Total Trail Length:
5.5 Miles

MERAMEC GREENWAY:

Greentree Park to Arnold's Grove Park

St. Louis County

This trail travels between Greentree Park in Kirkwood and the Arnold's Grove trailhead atop the levee in the City of Valley Park. It is flat and shady with some up close views of the Meramec River. It is an ideal trail for new cyclists and we often recommend it for families with small children because of the shade, slower pace and many places to stop along the way. You can walk or ride to three parks, go fishing or connect to existing trails along the way.



Total Trail Length:
3.6 Miles

MERAMEC GREENWAY: Glencoe to Sherman Beach Park

St. Louis County

From soaring limestone bluffs, wildflowers in the springtime, and ever-changing views of the Meramec River, this greenway has something for everyone. This greenway includes the Rock Hollow trail, formerly known as “Zombie Road.” If you love a hill, you will love Rock Hollow! If you don’t love hills, the birds, wildlife and views still make it worth the climb. If you visit this greenway on a Sunday in May through October, be sure to take a ride on the one-of-a-kind Wabash, Frisco and Pacific miniature steam railroad!



Greenway Fact:

The waterways, wetlands and woodlands of the St. Louis region are an important resting point for the migratory birds traveling the Mississippi Flyway. In fact, this section of the Meramec Greenway has been designated an Important Bird Area by the National Audubon Society as many songbird and woodland warbler species are drawn to nest and feed in its secluded forest habitat.

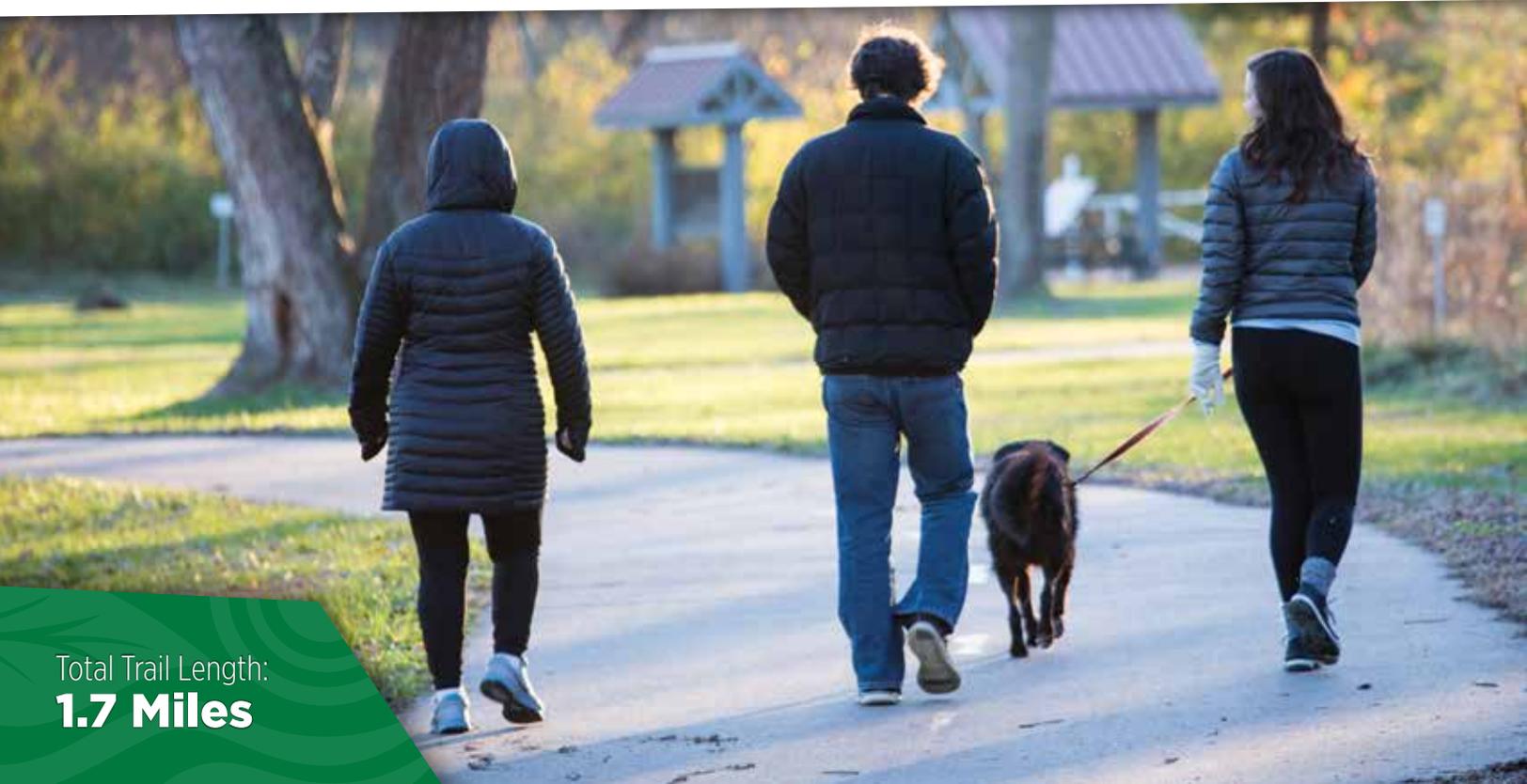




Total Trail Length:
3 Miles

MERAMEC GREENWAY: **Lions Park to Route 66 State Park** St. Louis County

Also known as the Flat Creek Trail, this section of the Meramec Greenway passes under Highway 44 and through a specially designed preservation area that aims to protect the creek banks and natural habitat for wildlife, birds and native plants. In Route 66 Park, you can check out the visitor's center, a 1935 Roadhouse called the Bridgehead Inn that sat on the original Route 66.



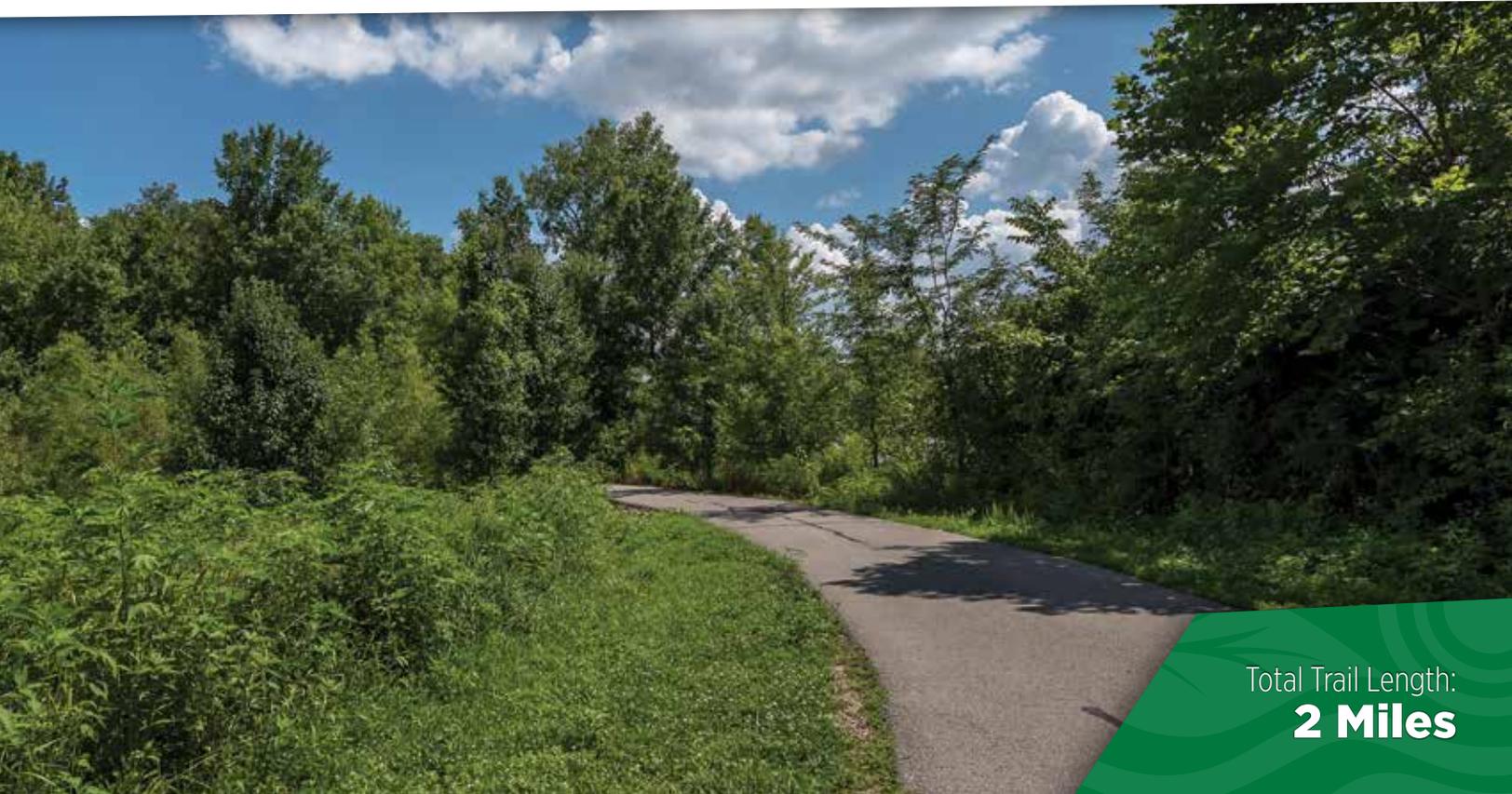
Total Trail Length:
1.7 Miles

MERAMEC GREENWAY:

Lower Meramec Park

St. Louis County

This section of greenway offers a mixture of woodlands and open fields and feels very rural. The park is the site of a former summer clubhouse community that was purchased with Land & Water Conservation Funds in 1979 and converted to public open space. A thriving and diverse woodland now grows in this park, making it a perfect trail to explore if you are looking for a peaceful escape in nature.



Total Trail Length:
2 Miles

MISSISSIPPI GREENWAY: Chouteau Riverfront to Old Chain of Rocks Bridge City of St. Louis

Also known as the Riverfront Trail, this section of greenway offers views of the working riverfront and Mississippi River that even most native St. Louisans have never seen before. Travelers on the trail will pass through several parks, including Rootwad Park. This “pocket park” features embellishments from the late Bob Cassilly, a famous St. Louis artist and founder of the City Museum. History buffs will enjoy the Mary Meachum Freedom Crossing, Missouri’s first nationally designated Underground Railroad historic site. Visitors can also check out the Old Chain of Rocks Bridge, a historic part of the famed Route 66. The newest portion of the greenway, opened in June 2016, offers a dedicated bikeway and parallel path for walkers past the grand staircase of the Gateway Arch.





Total Trail Length:
12.5 Miles

MISSISSIPPI GREENWAY: Cliff Cave Park

St. Louis County

This greenway offers stunning views of the Mississippi atop rocky bluffs that tower 170 feet over the river. It lies within one of the most naturally diverse plant and animal communities in the region, offering rocky hillsides as well as woodlands and wetlands. The park gets its name from the cave tucked in the bluffs of south St. Louis County. This area's folklore includes stories from its past as a riverside tavern, a hideout for horse thieves, and a summer camping area for native Americans.



Total Trail Length:
4.6 Miles

**More
greenway
to be
constructed
in 2017!**

MISSISSIPPI GREENWAY: Jefferson Barracks to River des Peres St. Louis County

This section of the Mississippi River Greenway offers magnificent views of the river as it stretches from Jefferson Barracks County Park north along the river. You can have a picnic or connect to historic Jefferson Barracks – a U.S. Army Post that dates back to 1826. You can explore the many trails crisscrossing Jefferson Barracks Park, visit two museums and watch the barges as they make their way up and down the river.



Total Trail Length:
1.8 Miles

MISSOURI GREENWAY: Earth City Levee St. Louis County

This greenway offers a quiet and peaceful trail tucked away along the Missouri River. You can enjoy the hardwood forest, wetlands and up-close views of the river. It is a great trail for young children to ride their bikes or walk because it is flat and less crowded. It will appeal to anyone looking for a quiet, more rural paved trail for walking or bike riding.



Missouri River
Greenway

Earth City Levee Trail

Total Trail Length:
4.6 Miles



Missouri River Greenway - Riverwoods Pa

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MISSOURI GREENWAY: Monarch Chesterfield Levee

St. Louis County

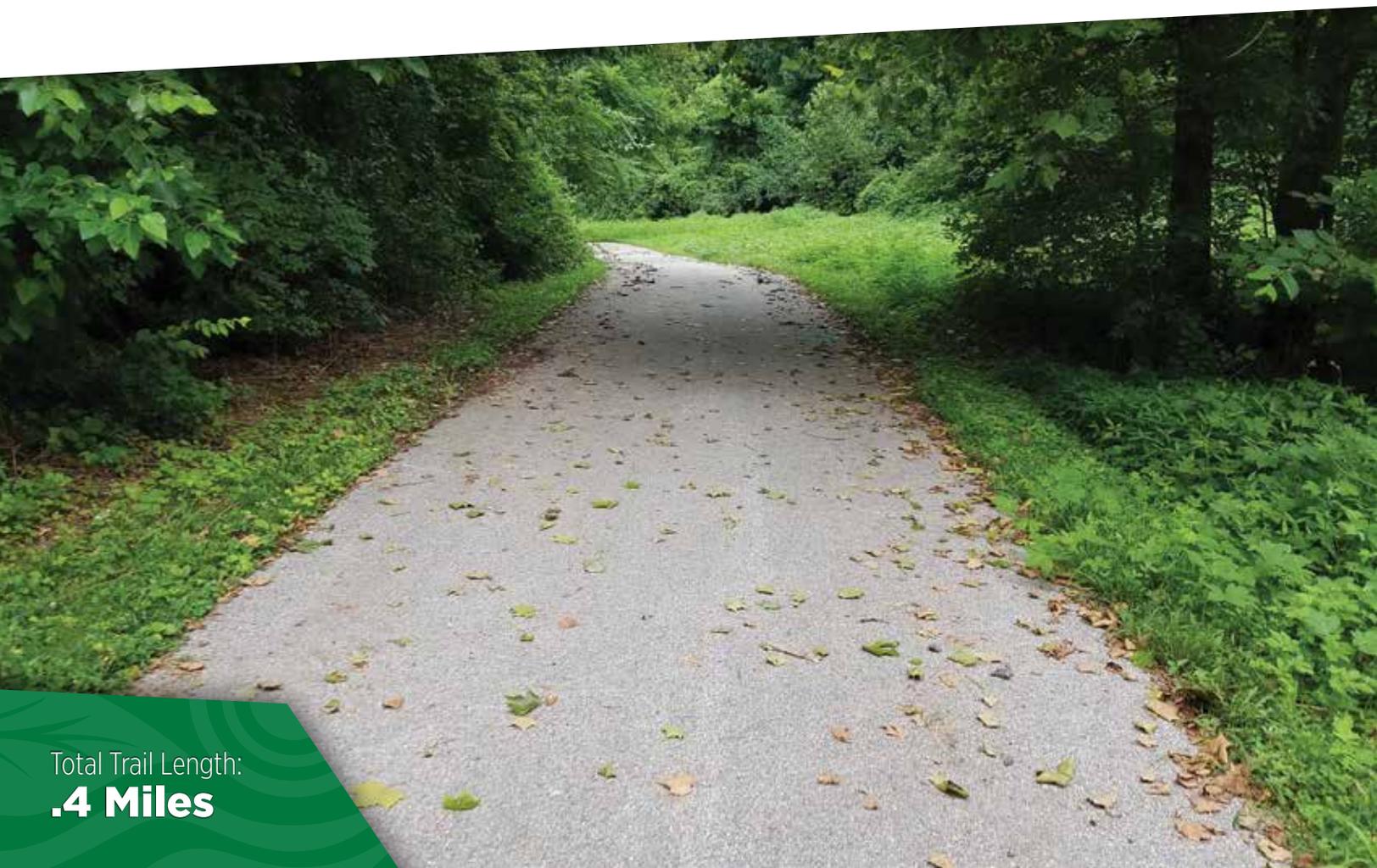
This flat, sunny trail is great for exercising! This greenway connects with the Katy Trail via a bike/pedestrian path across the Boone Bridge, providing a variety of mileage options ranging from a short jog to the all-day ride. The greenway passes by the Taubman Prestige Outlets and the St. Louis Premium Outlets, providing the opportunity for visitors to grab a bite to eat or do some shopping in addition to exploring the greenway.



Total Trail Length:
10.5 Miles

MISSOURI GREENWAY: Truman Park St. Louis County

This section of greenway features a short trail that extends from the fishing pond at the north of Harry S. Truman Park in Hazelwood toward the St. Stanislaus Conservation area. It is mostly shady with some rolling hills and is a quiet and peaceful place to walk, ride a bike or just sit and enjoy the sounds of birds chirping in the woods!

A paved trail winding through a lush green forest. The path is made of grey gravel and is scattered with fallen leaves. The surrounding area is filled with dense green foliage and trees, creating a shaded and peaceful environment.

Total Trail Length:
.4 Miles



Greenway Fact:

The St. Louis region has an abundance of incredible parks and open spaces, rivers and creeks. Greenways connect you to these natural treasures! Greenways provide public access to explore the region's many nooks and crannies and to discover new areas and neighborhoods. They invite you to visit your favorite places and fall in love with new ones!



RIVER DES PERES GREENWAY

City of St. Louis

The River des Peres Greenway is a wide open green space that wraps around the River des Peres as it winds its way to the Mississippi River. The greenway has direct connections to the Shrewsbury Metrolink Station, the Holly Hills neighborhood and Carondelet Park. This greenway crosses several major intersections including Lansdowne, Chippewa, Gravois and Morgan Ford, making it easy to get to businesses, schools, neighborhoods, parks and transit. It also links together multiple parks and green spaces including Fultz Field, Old St. Marcus Cemetery, Willmore Park, Joseph R. Leisure Park and Carondelet Park.

A man wearing a blue t-shirt, black shorts, a black helmet, and sunglasses is riding a bicycle on a paved path. The path is made of reddish-brown bricks and has white directional arrows painted on it. To the left of the path is a stone wall with a black metal fence behind it. The background shows a residential area with houses and trees.

**New
extensions
coming in
2017!**



Total Trail Length:
7.3 Miles

ST. VINCENT GREENWAY: Forest Park to Trojan Park

City of St. Louis

This section of greenway stretches through residential areas and commercial districts and is a popular route for walking and biking. It's a treasured green space for getting fresh air, having a picnic or enjoying family and neighborhood get-togethers.



Total Trail Length:
1.3 Miles

**Connection
between these
two greenways
coming in
2018!**

ST. VINCENT GREENWAY: St. Vincent Park to UMSL to North Hanley MetroLink St. Louis County

Even though this greenway is in St. Louis County, it feels a bit rural as it takes you through the lush and shady grounds of St. Vincent County Park and across the rolling hills of the University of Missouri campus - remnants of the school's past life as the Bellerive Country Club golf course. The greenway ties together the north and south campuses along with St. Vincent County Park and the Ted Jones trail, which extends 2.2 miles north to Old Town Ferguson.



Total Trail Length:
5.5 Miles

SUNSET GREENWAY

St. Louis County

The Sunset Greenway is in north St. Louis County between the City of Florissant and the Missouri River. It meanders through the St. Ferdinand Shrine, St. Ferdinand Park and Historic Old Town Florissant all the way down the bluff to the Missouri River in Sunset Park. In addition to beautiful views of the river, you can walk or ride your bike to enjoy shopping, dining and other businesses housed in charming historic buildings.



Total Trail Length:
3.9 Miles

WESTERN GREENWAY

St. Louis County

The Western Greenway is in west St. Louis County and meanders between the Meramec River on the south and Missouri River on the north, connecting the two greenways. It stretches across rolling hills, rocky limestone bluffs and includes thousands of acres of public open lands. Babler State Park, Rockwoods Reservation and Greensfelder County Park all lie within the Western Greenway.



Total Trail Length:
1.6 Miles





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