# **Explore the Dardenne Greenway:** Legacy Park to Dardenne Park

Follow the Dardenne Creek as it winds through woodlands, wetlands, neighborhoods, parks, businesses, and the St. Charles Community College campus.



#### **SHORT TRIP**

- 🔞 2 miles from 🔺 to 🖪 and back
- I hour walk/30 minute bike

### **MEDIUM TRIP**

- 🔞 4 miles from 🗩 to 匡 and back
- 2.5 hour walk/45 minute bike

## LONG TRIP

- 7 miles from A to Mexico Road and back
- 🕑 5 hour walk/75 minute bike

## **TRAIL SURFACE**

Asphalt surface separated from the road

# EXPLORE & ENJOY

# Trailheads

- 🔕 P 師 🖥 Legacy Park: 5490 5th Street, Cottleville, MO
- B P St. Charles Community College: 4601 Mid Rivers Mall Drive, Cottleville, MO
- CP Woodlands Sports Park: 1 Woodlands Parkway, St. Peters, MO
- 🕑 P 💵 🗑 Rabbit Run Park: 10 Mayfield Road, St. Peters, MO
- Dardenne Park: 175 Dew Court, St. Peters, MO

# Points of Interest 🌺

Harmony & Vantage Lakes College Meadows Park







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# WHILE YOU'RE EXPLORING

- » Explore the historic log cabin in Legacy Park
- » Grab a bite to eat on Mid Rivers Mall Drive
- » Look for white-tailed deer, songbirds, otters, or wild turkey in the woodlands, wetlands, swamps, and temperate prairies along the greenway
- » Go fishing on the lakes in Legacy Park, Woodlands Sports Park, or Rabbit Run Park
- » Get a workout on the fitness trail in College Meadows Park
- » Play nine holes of disc golf in College Meadows Park

**NATURE:** The roots of native plants along Dardenne Creek help keep soil in place and prevent erosion which helps keep the water clear so natural vegetation can thrive and support the food chain for small organisms and fish. Plants along the creek also provide shade that keeps the water cooler so aquatic plants and animals can enjoy a healthier habitat.

**CULTURE:** All of the rain that falls in the 164 mile Dardenne Creek Watershed drains into Dardenne Creek and flows into the Mississippi River near Dardenne Island. More water runs off into the creek as more hard surfaces such as roads and rooftops are built in the watershed and prevent rainwater from soaking into the ground.

**HISTORY:** A trail just south of Legacy Park was created by Native American people and migrating wildlife and was later used by covered wagons, stage coaches, Pony Express riders, and frontiersmen heading west in the 1800s.



#### Greenways are outdoor spaces connecting people and

**places.** Each greenway is unique, reflecting the character of the communities it connects. Greenways can include **trails, conservation projects** such as rain gardens and restored prairies, **amenities** like restrooms and drinking fountains, and **connections** to businesses, neighborhoods, parks, schools, waterways and transit. There are over 120 miles of greenways throughout St. Louis City, St. Louis County and St. Charles County for you to explore and enjoy.