

## **Deer Creek Greenway: Deer Creek Park to Lorraine Davis Park**

### **FAQ**

#### **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.

#### **What are the plans for the Deer Creek Greenway?**

The plans call for a 1.5 mile expansion from the greenway's current endpoint in Deer Creek Park through Barnickle Park to Lorraine Davis Park, ending at Ravine Avenue for a total of 2.2 miles.

The existing 0.7 mile greenway segment parallels Deer Creek from Big Bend Boulevard through Deer Creek Shopping Center and Maplewood's Deer Creek Park (Rocket Park) to Deer Creek Park in Webster Groves.

#### **What is the purpose of the greenway expansion?**

When complete, the 2.2 mile Deer Creek Greenway will not only be a place for recreation, but also an alternate way for residents of all ages and abilities to walk or ride a bike to parks, surrounding neighborhoods, schools, and shopping.

#### **How will it benefit the community?**

The new greenway will be an amenity for the residents of Webster Groves—and the region—for years to come. It will create a space for walking and riding bikes—separate from cars—and will enhance, improve, and connect existing parks. Nationwide, studies have also shown an increase in the value of homes located within .5 miles of a greenway.

#### **What improvements will be made to the parks?**

The existing sidewalks in Lorraine Davis Park will be removed and replaced with a 10 foot wide, accessible, paved trail that will stretch the length of the park. Because the park lies within a flood plain, the landscaping plan calls for floodplain habitat—plants specifically selected to not only look attractive, but also thrive and survive after flood events.

In Barnickle Park, the plans call for a ten foot wide paved trail, a new parking lot and a basketball "horse court."

#### **How is the project being funded?**

The \$3.65 million project is being funded by Great Rivers Greenway and an \$800,000 MoDot Federal Transportation Grant.

#### **Who will maintain the greenway?**

The Greenway will be maintained by the City of Webster Groves Parks & Recreation Department with support from Great Rivers Greenway.

**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 the district to build, bring to life, and care for the network of greenways. The district includes the 1,200 square miles and nearly 2 million citizens in St. Louis City, St. Louis County and St. Charles County.

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