

Explore the Deer Creek Greenway: Deer Creek Park to Lorraine Davis Park



Follow the Deer Creek Greenway through parks, businesses and neighborhoods to the confluence of the Deer and Shady Creeks.



SHORTER OPTION

 **Distance:** 1.5 miles from Lorraine Davis Park to Barnickel Park and back

 **Time:** 30 minute walk/15 minute bike

MEDIUM OPTION

 **Distance:** 2.75 miles from Lorraine Davis Park to Deer Creek Park and back

 **Time:** 1.5 hour walk/30 minute bike

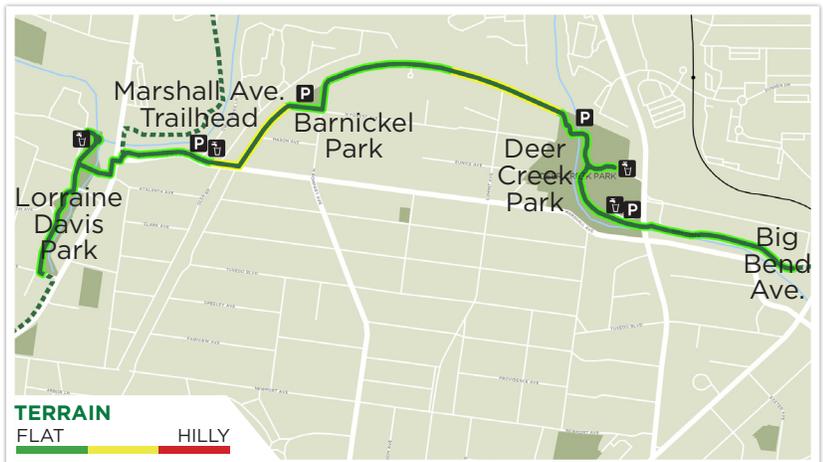
LONGER OPTION

 **Distance:** 4 miles from Big Bend Ave. to Lorraine Davis Park and back

 **Time:** 2 hour walk/45 minute bike

GETTING THERE

On foot or bicycle, access the greenway from Big Bend Blvd., Pacific Ave., Marshall Ave., or Brentwood Blvd. From the Sunnen MetroLink Station, take Sunnen Drive to Hanley Road ¼ mile south to Deer Creek Park and the Deer Creek Greenway. Vehicle parking is available at Deer Creek Park (3200 N. Laclede Station Rd., Maplewood, MO 63143), Barnickel Park (1101 N. Bompert Ave., Webster Groves, MO 63119), and the Marshall Avenue Trailhead (345 Marshall Ave., Webster Groves, MO 63119). On-street parking is available on the streets surrounding Lorraine Davis Park (700 Lorraine Davis Lane, Webster Groves, MO 63119).



TRAIL SURFACE

Pacific Ave. has a sidewalk and shared bicycle lanes. Marshall Ave. under the railroad has a sidewalk. All other trail segments have an asphalt surface separated from the road.



RESTROOMS AND WATER

Restroom in Deer Creek Park. Drinking fountain in Deer Creek Park, Marshall Avenue Trailhead, and Lorraine Davis Park

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WHILE YOU'RE EXPLORING

- » Follow the self-guided North Webster Walking Tour available through the Webster Groves Historical Society
- » Overlook the confluence of the Deer and Shady Creeks in Lorraine Davis Park
- » Ride the pump track at the Marshall Avenue Trailhead
- » Play a game of basketball or tennis in Barnickel Park
- » Identify the native plants versus the invasive plants on the banks of the Deer Creek in Deer Creek Park
- » Play baseball or soccer or eat a snowcone in Deer Creek Park
- » Grab a bite to eat along Laclede Station Road

LEARN ABOUT THE AREA

Watersheds are like sinks - all of the water that falls into them will drain to the same area. Rainwater that falls and snow that melts in the thirty-seven square mile Deer Creek Watershed drains into Deer Creek. From there, water flows into the River des Peres to the Mississippi River and all the way to the Gulf of Mexico. The Deer Creek Watershed is home to nearly 100,000 people and a wide variety of animal species such as deer, coyotes, fox, raccoon, mink, great blue herons, kingfishers, ducks, turtles, fish, frogs, macroinvertebrates, and the plants that support us all.

Our actions directly impact the quality of life in the waterways in our region and downstream. You can help improve and protect this watershed by volunteering with one of the many organizations working to replace

invasive plant species with native plants and remove trash and debris from water and land in Deer Creek Park.

Where do you gather with your neighbors in your community? Over the years, people have gathered along the banks of the Deer and Shady Creeks to catch fish, enjoy a picnic and share stories.

Deer Creek begins in Creve Coeur, and Shady Creek begins in Glendale. The two creeks come together at Lorraine Davis Park and then continue to the River des Peres. Lorraine Davis Park is named for Lorraine Davis, a North Webster resident who taught English and Latin classes at Douglass High School. One of the best high schools in Missouri for African-American students, it was the first and only accredited high school for African-Americans in St. Louis County until schools were desegregated in 1954.

GREENWAYS CONNECT US ALL

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 125 miles of greenways throughout St. Louis City, St. Louis County and St. Charles County for you to explore and enjoy.