

Chouteau Greenway Framework Plan

Community Civic Engagement & Outreach Summary



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Overview

Great Rivers Greenway

Great Rivers Greenway, the St. Louis area's regional greenway agency, collaborates with municipalities, public agencies, businesses and nonprofit organizations to aesthetically enhance and provide connections for neighborhoods and the region as a whole through greenways. 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.

With more than 123 miles of greenways established throughout the region, Great Rivers Greenway aims to continue to fulfill the community's vision of equitable opportunities for growth and interconnectivity through the Chouteau Greenway.

Chouteau Greenway

The concept for Chouteau Greenway predates the formation of Great Rivers Greenway. However, in the early 2000s, Great Rivers Greenway in coordination with HOK Planning Group, URS, ABNA, Bryan Cave LLP, Development Strategies and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers took the 1999 Chouteau Lake Plan and developed the Chouteau Lake & Greenway Master Plan. This new Master Plan was designed to connect parks and public spaces through urban lakes, wetlands and greenways across St. Louis' urban core, while providing access to recreation and transportation alternatives.

Through the support of civic leaders across the St. Louis metropolitan area and corporate sponsors, the Chouteau Lake & Greenway Master Plan was created and financed. The Plan was anticipated to be a national model for 21st century urban revitalization and environmental impact. Now, Great Rivers Greenway in combination with various teams of consultants, are leveraging the initial vision and research through Chouteau Greenway. Chouteau Greenway is a major public-private partnership intended to connect Forest Park through downtown St. Louis and the Gateway Arch National Park with spurs north, anchoring to Fairground Park, and south, anchoring to Tower Grove Park, to connect the city's vibrant neighborhoods, parks, business and arts districts, employment centers, transit hubs, and dozens of cultural and educational institutions. Chouteau Greenway is planned to be part of the overall network of greenways being built across the St. Louis region.

Community Engagement

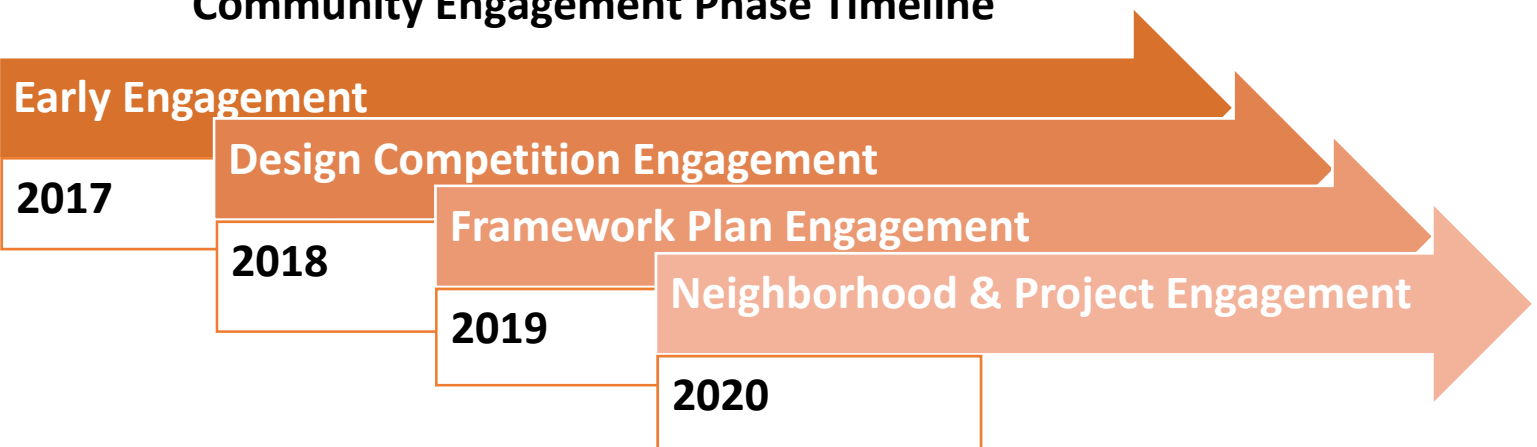
Community Engagement & Outreach Strategy

The Chouteau Greenway project area includes 20 neighborhoods, each with diverse neighbors, hidden treasures, concerns, ideas and rich histories. Research alone cannot inform the engagement team of a community's intricacies, which is why community engagement at the beginning and throughout this dynamic project process is crucial. A thorough community engagement process allows the team to engage with the community and gather crucial input while also assessing the physical, economic and social impacts that help guide greenway projects. Additionally, this process leads to more viable results and ensures the greenways are an asset for all to enjoy. During the Chouteau Greenway Framework Plan Engagement phase, the engagement team obtained community input through community events, stakeholder interviews, a webpage, surveys and neighborhood group presentations.



Chouteau Greenway Geography and Neighborhoods Map

Community Engagement Phase Timeline



Steering Committee & Working Groups

Over several months, Great Rivers Greenway procured over 120 community leaders, neighborhood stakeholders, technical experts and business leaders to create a Steering Committee and four Working Groups. These groups had representation from all neighborhoods within the project study area and also reflected the demographics of the city. An orientation meeting was held in early February 2019, and four meetings were offered thereafter for each group. During the meetings, facilitated discussions were held on the topics of equity, governance, economic development, and design, development and construction for Chouteau Greenway. The diverse groups allowed for a variety of perspectives, concerns and insights, which were used to support and guide the design team in creating the look and feel of the greenway and proposing economic and equity recommendations for the project’s Framework Plan.



A roster of the Steering Committee and Working Groups can be found in [Appendix A](#).

Artists of Color Council

In response to a call of action gleaned from a citizen-led engagement effort during the Chouteau Greenway Design Competition, an Artists of Color Council (AOCC) was formed. Composed of eight diverse local artists with varying mediums, the AOCC was assembled to support the design team in identifying opportunities for art along the greenway and promote and implement opportunities for local artists. An orientation meeting was held in July 2018, since then the group has met monthly. Below is a list of the artists and their professional medium(s) of expression.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Professional Medium of Art</i>
<i>Pacia Anderson</i>	<i>Literary, Visual and Performance Arts – Written, spoken, visual and teaching Word Artist, exploring line and language through various visual and performance modalities.</i>
<i>Syrhea Conaway</i>	<i>Literary and Performance Arts – Performing musician of original works, music, soundscapes and songs.</i>
<i>Ismael (Miles) Dela Cruz</i>	<i>Performance and Visual Arts – Teaching artist with visual and music arts, primarily focusing on painting (graffiti/street art) and percussion.</i>

<i>Name</i>	<i>Professional Medium of Art</i>
<i>Tre'von Griffith</i>	<i>Performance Arts – Producing Director, TLT Productions</i>
<i>Chinyere Oteh</i>	<i>Visual Arts – Photography</i>
<i>Sahara Sista S.O.L.S. Scott</i>	<i>Literary and Performance Arts – writer recording narratives of the underrepresented and marginalized through poetry, plays and short stories. Performance includes spoken word artist, actor and director.</i>
<i>Jerry Stewart</i>	<i>Visual Arts – Pen and inks, watercolors and oils to create scenic cityscapes and landscapes through paintings and murals.</i>
<i>Diana Zeng</i>	<i>Visual Arts – oil, acrylic, china markers, charcoal, pastel and non-traditional mediums.</i>

Chouteau Greenway Community Update

Prior to the Framework Plan Engagement phase, public engagement efforts were concentrated around the announcement of the Chouteau Greenway Design Competition winners. Great Rivers Greenway organized an open house event to update the community on the current status of the project, the project process to be deployed, to showcase businesses and organizations along the proposed project corridor and gather community insights on equity and local gathering spaces.

The public was invited to a community update and open house for the Chouteau Greenway project. The event was held Tuesday, February 5, 2019 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the Grand Hall on Chouteau in St. Louis, Missouri. More than 300 people attended. Upon entering the event, attendees were given an event map, an equity card, and tote bag. Throughout the event, attendees were provided the opportunity to listen to a project presentation, which occurred hourly, connect with over 30 organizations, inform the project team of what equity means to them and identify circumstances they'd like to change and the desired result, and also to pinpoint either on paper or via iPads where they live, work, play and gather.



A copy of the event map and equity card can be found in [Appendices B](#) and [C](#), respectively.

Additionally, to highlight the potential connectivity of the project, the Chouteau Greenway Community Update was organized to mimic the proposed layout of the Chouteau Greenway alignment. Vivid photo collages of the Tower Grove Park, Forest Park and the Washington University campus and Fairground Park were displayed at the southern portion of the room, the event entrance and the northern area of the room, respectively. A balloon arch, symbolizing downtown St. Louis, was present at the rear of the room. A mock street sign was present, which aided in making attendees aware of the correlation between the actual geography and the event layout. As shown on the reverse side of the event map, vendor tables were arranged in geographic sequential order from Forest Park to downtown St. Louis. An informational booth was located at the exit of the event, where attendees could obtain additional greenway information.



The Chouteau Greenway Community Update officially launched the Framework Plan Engagement phase.

Stakeholder Interviews

Before engaging directly with neighborhoods, it's important in the engagement process to identify stakeholders, who are any people or organizations that would be directly impacted by Chouteau Greenway and/or who could have an impact on the project's activities and outcomes. The engagement team compiled a list that included elected officials, community leaders, and neighborhood groups that represent, are immediately adjacent to, or work with area residents within the 20 study area neighborhoods.

During the interviews, stakeholders were introduced to the Chouteau Greenway project, discussed concerns and needs of area residents and stakeholders and provided feedback and the proposed project. The engagement team met with 36 stakeholders, below is a list of the stakeholder meetings.

Date	Meeting Attendees:	Organization(s) Represented:
1/9/19	• Alderwomen Heather Navarro and Annie Rice	St. Louis Board of Alderman - Wards 28 & 8

Date	Meeting Attendees:	Organization(s) Represented:
2/15/19	• Representative LaKeySha Bosley and State Senator Karla May	State of Missouri - District 79 & District 4
2/15/19	• Alderman Joe Roddy	St. Louis Board of Alderman - Ward 17
2/20/19	• Alderman Marlene Davis	St. Louis Board of Alderman - Ward 19
3/11/19	• Representative Chris Carter and Representative Steve Roberts	State of Missouri - District 76 & District 77
4/10/19	• Audrey Ellermann	Covenant Blu-Grand Center Neighborhood Association
4/19/19	• Thomas Pickel & Becky Reinhardt	The Garden District Commission / DeSales Community Development
4/23/19	• Brian Krueger	St. Louis Place Neighborhood Association
4/24/19	• Brienne Holmes	The Ville Neighborhood Improvement Association
4/25/19	• Patricia Huntspon & Marilyn Barnett	Lindell Park/ JeffVanderLou Neighborhood Association
4/26/19	• Abdul-Kaba Abdullah	Park Central Development Corporation / O'Fallon Park Neighborhood Association
4/26/19	• Representative Wiley Price	State of Missouri - District 84
4/26/19	• Sean Spencer	Tower Grove Neighborhood Community Development
5/1/19	• Judith Arnold	Vandeventer Neighborhood Association
5/2/19	• Monique Williams	North Central Business Development
5/2/19	• Alderman Brandon Bosley & Alderman Jesse Todd	St. Louis Board of Alderman - Wards 3 & 18
5/7/19	• Vincent Chewing	Forest Park Southeast Neighborhood Association

Date	Meeting Attendees:	Organization(s) Represented:
5/22/19	• Pamela Harris	North Newstead Association
5/24/19	• Michael Burns	Northside Community Housing
5/30/19	• Gregory Hayes	STL City Parks and Recreation Committee
5/30/19	• Representative Peter Merideth	State of Missouri - District 80
6/4/19	• Judge Jimmie Edwards	St. Louis City Dept. of Public Safety
6/4/19	• Brian Phillips	Euclid South Community Improvement District
6/5/19	• State Senator Jamilah Nasheed	State of Missouri - District 5
6/5/19	• Alderwoman Christine Ingrassia	St. Louis Board of Alderman - Ward 6
6/11/19	• Alderwoman Lisa Middlebrook	St. Louis Board of Alderman - Ward 2
6/14/19	• Michelle Cheli	Downtown STL, Inc.
6/26/19	• Alderman John Collins-Muhammad	St. Louis Board of Alderman - Ward 21
7/1/19	• Treasurer Tishaura Jones	City of St. Louis Treasurer
7/2/19	• Alderman Shane Cohn & Gregory Hayes	STL City Parks and Recreation Committee
7/3/19	• Jesse Sieger-Wells	Tower Grove South Neighborhood Association
7/10/19	• Linda Ngyuen	Tiffany/Botanical Heights Neighborhood Associations

Neighborhood Group Meetings & Events

The civic engagement process calls for the engagement team to meet the community where they already gather. The team contacted various neighborhood associations, ward meeting leaders and community organizers offering to make a presentation.

During the Framework Plan Engagement and Outreach the engagement team attended 25 community meetings, ward meetings, events and festivals. Meetings provided opportunity to introduce Great Rivers Greenway and the regional greenway system, to discuss the Chouteau Greenway project and process, and to share information via either a PowerPoint presentation or handout. During each presentation the engagement team answered community questions. Community members interested in receiving project updates were asked to provide their email and/or mobile number.



At community events, the engagement team setup a booth that displayed the Great Rivers Greenway regional greenway map and included informational brochures about Great Rivers Greenway, an email update sign-up sheet, a Chouteau Greenway informational handout and giveaways. Below is a list of the meetings and events that were attended.

Date	Meetings/Events Attended:
3/23/19	North City Town Hall
5/11/19	O'Fallon Park Neighborhood Association Meeting
5/18/19	Community Day in The Ville
6/13/19	Covenant Blu-Grand Center Neighborhood Association Meeting
6/22/19	Vandeventer Community Clergy Association Meeting
6/22/19	Black Summer Series at Fairground Park
7/15/19	Forest Park Southeast Infrastructure Committee Meeting
7/16/19	Forest Park Southeast Neighborhood Association Meeting
7/17/19	Tower Grove South Neighborhood Association Meeting
7/18/19	St. Louis Place Neighborhood Association Meeting
7/20/19	Frizz Fest – Natural Beauty Festival
7/22/19	Southwest Garden Neighborhood Association Quarterly Meeting
7/23/19	Forest Park Southeast Development Committee Meeting

7/23/19	<i>Tower Grove Heights Neighborhood Association Meeting</i>
7/23/19	<i>St. Louis Equitable Development Strategy Open House #1</i>
7/24/19	<i>Project Connect Neighborhood Working Group Meeting</i>
7/24/19	<i>St. Louis Equitable Development Strategy Open House #2</i>
8/6/19	<i>Forest Park Southeast National Night Out</i>
8/24/19	<i>St. Louis Festival of Nations</i>
8/25/19	<i>St. Louis Festival of Nations</i>
8/26/19	<i>Cook Avenue Block Captains Meeting</i>
9/07/19	<i>Northside TrapRun</i>
9/11/19	<i>Gateway District West Development Committee Meeting</i>
10/5/19	<i>Grove Fest STL</i>
10/5/19	<i>Unity Festival and Market</i>

Copies of meeting public information handouts distributed during outreach can be found in [Appendices D](#) and [E](#).

Business Outreach

Business outreach is also an important part of the engagement process. Understanding how businesses along the potential routes interact with the community, their plans for development, and their feelings about the impact of a greenway, allow for Great Rivers Greenway and the project team to consider how to best coordinate with businesses and seek opportunities for partnerships. The greenway is also an opportunity to catalyze economic growth. Engagement with the business community is a crucial part of constructing economic development strategies.

A letter from Great Rivers Greenway CEO, Susan Trautman including information about Great Rivers Greenway, Chouteau Greenway and a business survey link, was mailed to 696 businesses along the potential Chouteau Greenway routes.

The business survey asked 18 questions about the neighborhood and business demographics, economics and equity, and best methods of remaining engaged with the business and its surrounding community. Six businesses completed the online business survey. Of those respondents 50% conduct business in the Central West End neighborhood, while the other half of respondents operate in the Downtown, JeffVanderLou and Midtown neighborhoods.

The business letter can be found in [Appendix F](#).

Feedback & Fun Fests

The Chouteau Greenway Steering Committee and Working Groups in coordination with project team consultants, discussed how the greenway could equitably address design and development, governance and economic development. However, the groups were consistent and adamant about community input being used to validate their assertions.

In preparation for drafting the Chouteau Greenway Framework Plan, Great Rivers Greenway (GRG) organized four Feedback and Fun Fests. The public was invited to attend any of the four events which were held on the following dates:

- Tuesday, July 9th at Piper Palm House in Tower Grove Park
- Saturday, July 13th at the Boys and Girls Club – Herbert Hoover
- Thursday, July 18th at Venture Café in Cortex
- Sunday, July 21st at Kaufmann Park

The above events were accompanied by a virtual open house and survey that was open from July 9th through August 5th.

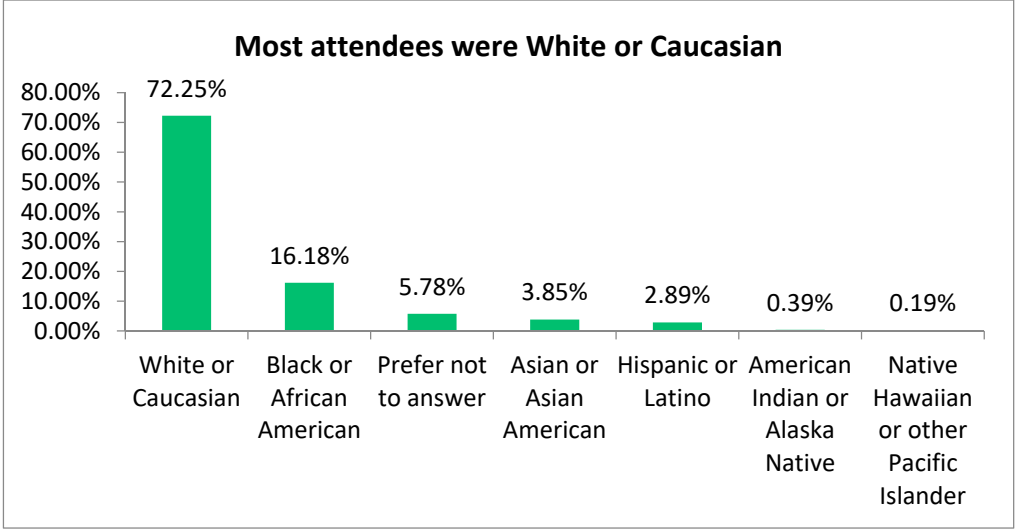
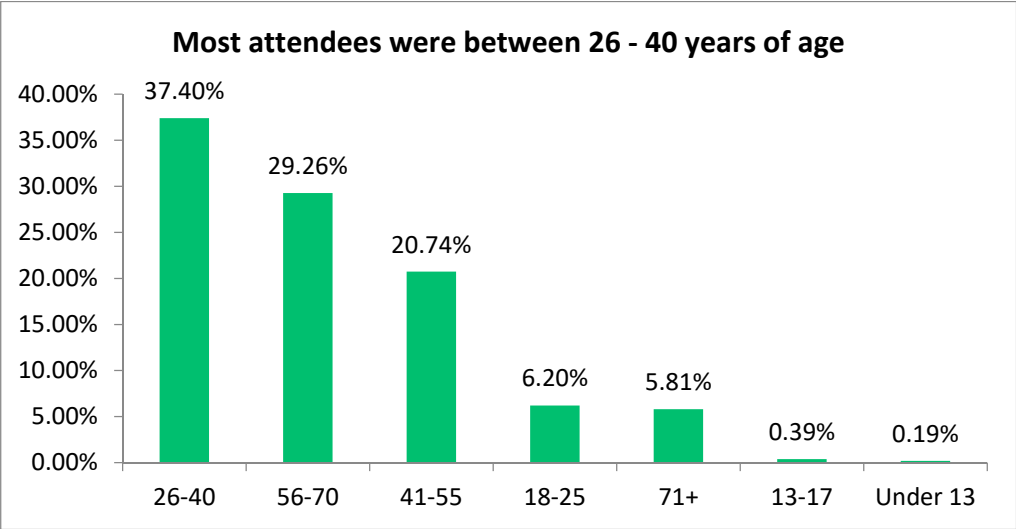
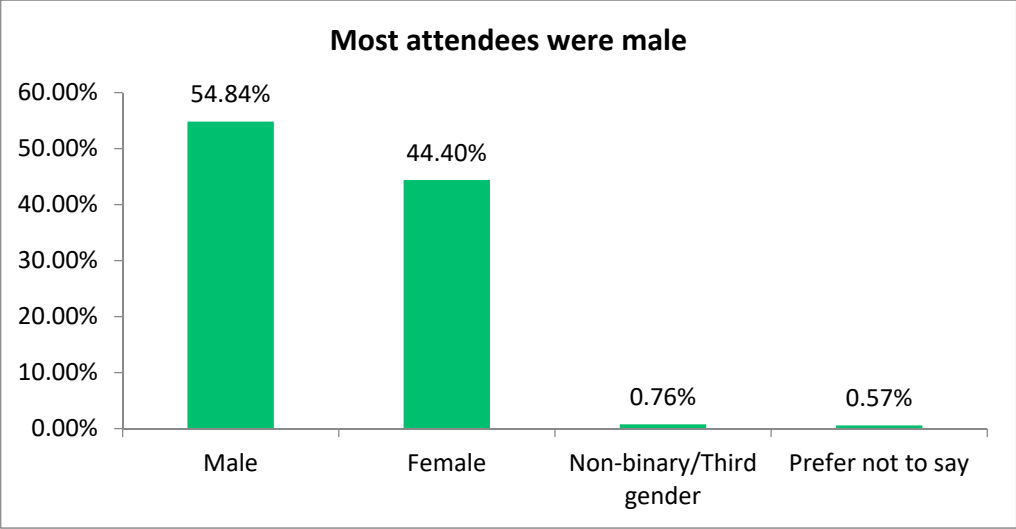
A copy of the event flyer can be found in [Appendix G](#).

Approximately 608 people provided input at the Feedback and Fun Fests or virtually. Upon entering each event, attendees were asked to complete a sign-in card, given a unique number for the purpose of providing feedback and a ticket for complimentary food items. Throughout each event attendees had the opportunity to watch a video from GRG's CEO, construct a love and/or break up letter to St. Louis, review informational display boards and provide feedback on art, equity and governance either on paper or online via iPads. Attendees also had the option of leaving any final thoughts at the stoop. The remainder of this report summarizes the input gathered during the Feedback and Fun Fests.



Demographics

In addition to asking demographic information such as age, race/ethnicity, and gender, the sign-in card prompted attendees to identify their residential neighborhood as well as another neighborhood they frequent, if applicable. Knowing the attendees helps put their comments into context. Below is a brief summary of attendee gender, age, race and neighborhood indications.



Answer Choices	Responses	Neighborhood in Chouteau Greenway	CITY	REGION	OUT OF TOWN
	TOTAL 608				
Residential Neighborhood COUNT	560	127	267	164	2
Residential Neighborhood % of respondents	92%	23%	70%	29%	0%
Work/School/Other Neighborhood COUNT:	180	102	29	46	3
Work/School/Other Neighborhood %:	20%	57%	16%	26%	2%
*All of these are unique categories, no overlap					
** South side of town far outrepresents north side					

The majority of attendees (70%) indicated that they live in the City of St. Louis while 23% reside in a neighborhood within the project study area. For other neighborhoods frequented, 57% of those mentioned are within the project study area.

Attendees were also asked to list the zip code for their neighborhood selections. *Details surrounding zip code can be found in [Appendix H](#).*

“Dear St. Louis” Letters

Attendees were able to construct a love and/or break up letter to the City of St. Louis. Below summarizes the themes frequently mentioned.

A copy of the love and break up letters can be found in [Appendices I and K](#), respectively.

Love Letter Themes

- Amazing neighborhoods, community feel, friendly people, ways to belong
- Free and accessible cultural amenities
- Wonderful and abundant parks and green spaces
- There's an overall easiness (i.e. affordable, high quality of life, comfortable, "not rushed")
- Great place to have a family
- It's HOME - my family and friends are here
- Rich locations and history
- A variety of good foods



- Has lots of potential
- Resilient, scrappy, messy

Overall, the love letters conveyed that the City of St. Louis has a small town feel with world-class and affordable amenities. This is in addition to St. Louis’ authenticity, uniqueness, and southern-charm contributes to a great sense of local pride.

Break-Up Letter Themes

- Racism, segregation
- Crime, violence
- The divides in government and attitude (parochialism, fiefdoms, etc.)
- Driving-centric infrastructure, planning, attitudes
- People's shame, negativity and lack of pride
- Priorities are off - ignore the north side, basic needs, focus on developers and projects for wealthy folks
- Vacancy, blight
- Refusal to admit and deal with the need for structural and institutional change
- Police
- Lack of leadership
- Perceptions of crime
- Schools
- Poverty

The break-up letters frequently communicated concerns regarding crime, racism, lack of government intervention and allocation of investment. These and other themes mentioned are rooted in the need for a feeling of safety and/or economic security.

A list of the verbatim love and break up comments can be found in [Appendices J and L](#), respectively.

Heart, Soul & Grit

Attendees were asked to express, draw and/or write any words, colors, shapes or symbols that represent the heart, soul and grit of St. Louis.

Below is a summary of the key themes:

- Blue: water, river, confluence, blues music and Blues Hockey
- Red: brick, Cardinals
- Grit
- The Arch
- Fleur-des-lis
- City flag
- Green: trees, parks, nature
- "Underrated" / "best kept secret"
- Justice (ex. Black Lives Matter and clenched fists)

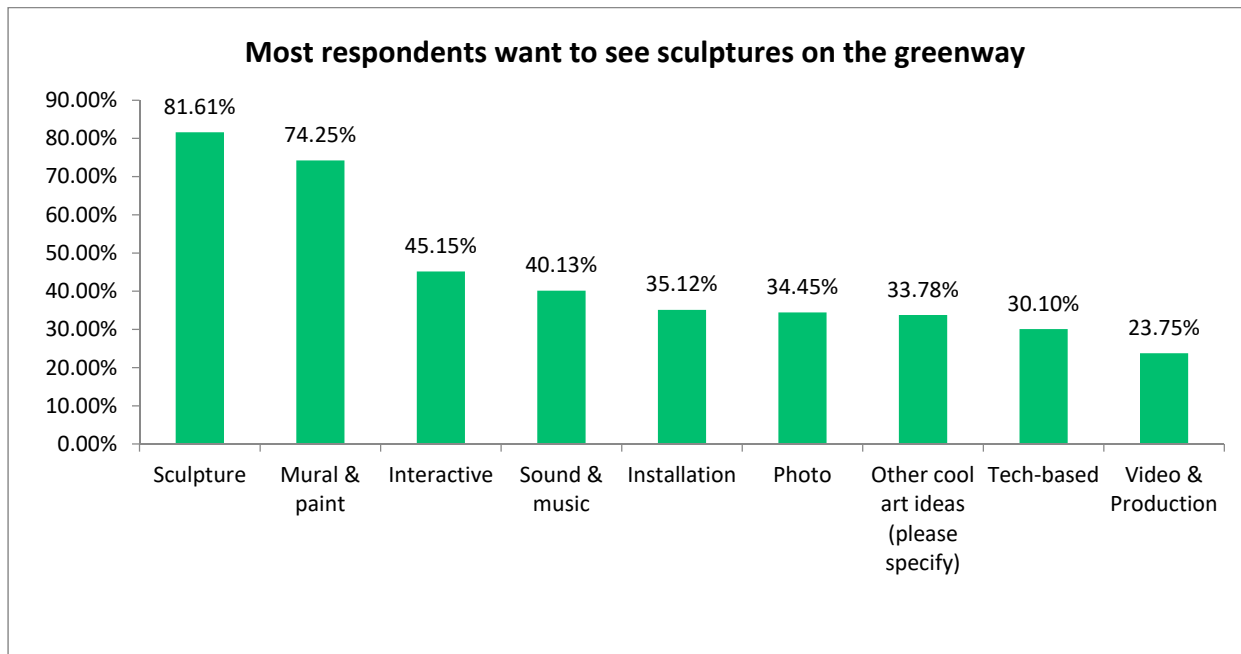


A list of the verbatim heart, soul and grit comments and descriptions can be found in [Appendix M](#).

Art

Art along a greenway can be demonstrated in many forms and in a multitude of locations. Event attendees were invited to participate in three activities discussing art along Chouteau Greenway. Below is a brief summary of each activity.

Prompt: "Here's the type of art I'd like to see on the greenway (please check all that apply):"

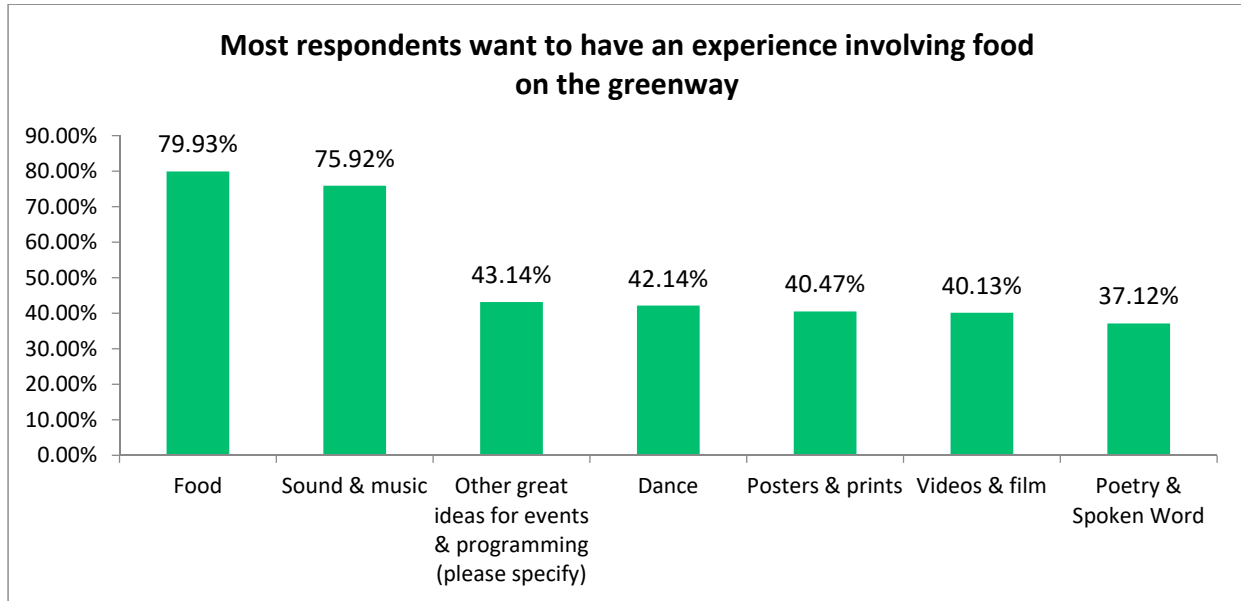


In the "other cool art ideas" category, respondents mentioned the following art mediums:

- Ground games (ex. hopscotch)
- Projection
- Banners, flags
- Climbable sculpture
- Illumination
- Water
- Dance
- Theater
- Performance art
- Ceramic tile mosaic (painted by kids)
- Fiber art
- Floral art
- Cahokian art
- Graffiti
- Live feed cameras to other parts of greenway
- Living wall
- Naturescapes
- Storytelling
- Progressive signage
- Noise-blocking features
- Textiles



Prompt: “It would be great to experience these events and programs on the greenway (please check all that apply):”



In the “other great ideas for events & programming” category, respondents mentioned the following program types:

- Theater
- Performances
- Movable fests
- Story walk
- Edible landscapes
- 5K races, bike rides, parades
- Community yard sale
- Exercise
- Agriculture education
- Fairs and markets
- Comedy
- Music
- Cultural events
- Informal meetups/ community discussions
- Education
- Games
- Art activities
- Nature walks/tours
- Rock climbing
- Soccer park
- Scooter ramps
- Bike rental
- Scavenger hunts, adventure races
- Yoga
- Stargazing
- Pet adoption

Prompt: “What topics could art address in your community? (ex. Youth, social justice, history, environment)?”

The following are key topic themes:

- History
- Diversity, equity, inclusion, social justice
- Environment
- Joy, fun, whimsy

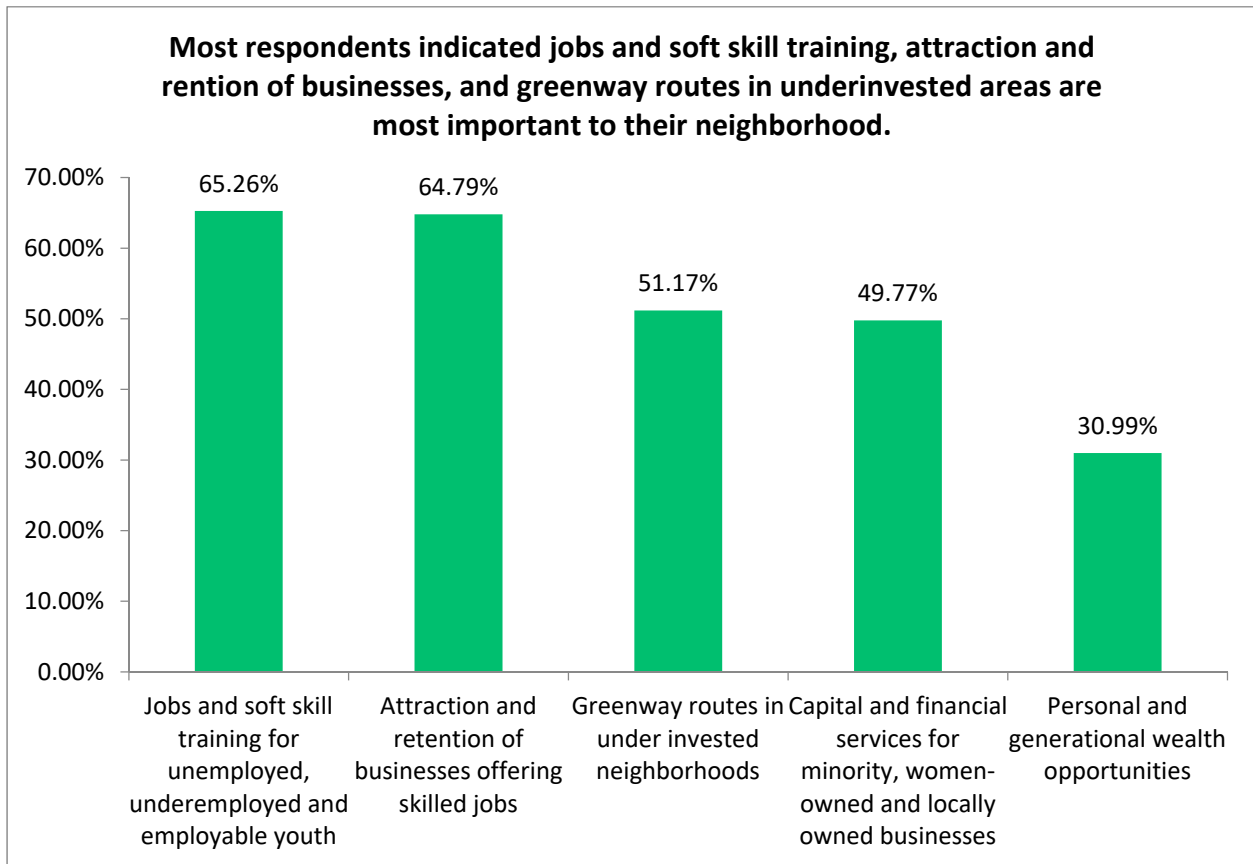
A list of the verbatim comments from the other art and program categories as well as verbatim topics to be addressed can be found in [Appendices N, O, and P](#) respectively.

Equity

Throughout the formation and eventual implementation of the greenway design and its intended outcomes, equity has been a centerpiece. Attendees were invited to indicate how equity can be achieved through Chouteau Greenway in regard to business, jobs and wealth creation, quality of life and neighborhoods, identity and culture, and civic and community participation. Below is a brief summary of each equity activity.

Business, Jobs & Wealth Creation

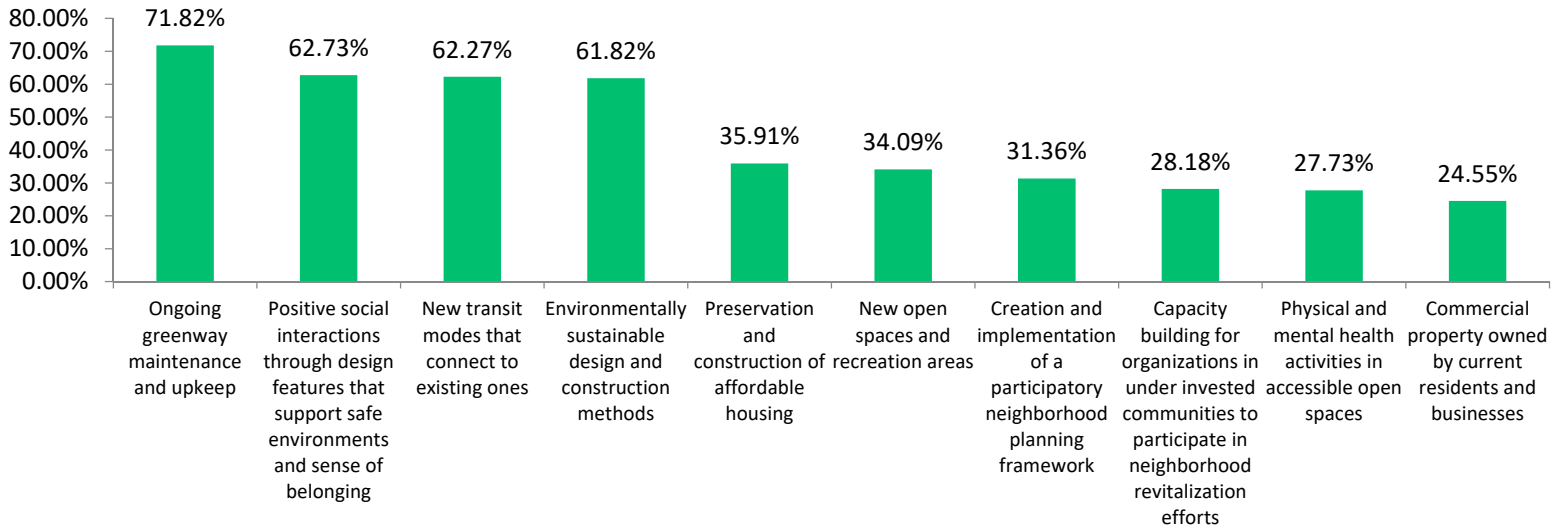
Prompt: "Check up to 3 practices that are most important to your neighborhood:"



Quality of Life & Neighborhoods

Prompt: "Check up to 5 practices that are most important to your neighborhood:"

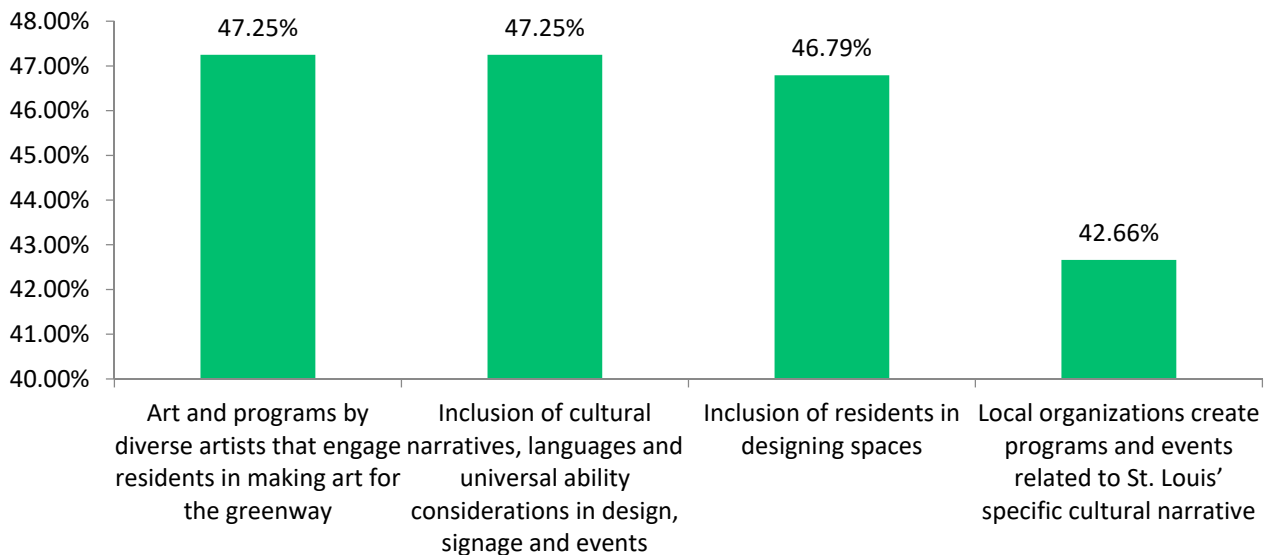
Most respondents indicated ongoing greenway upkeep, positive social interactions through design features that support safe environments, new transit modes that connect to existing ones, environmentally sustainable design and construction methods and prese



Identity & Culture

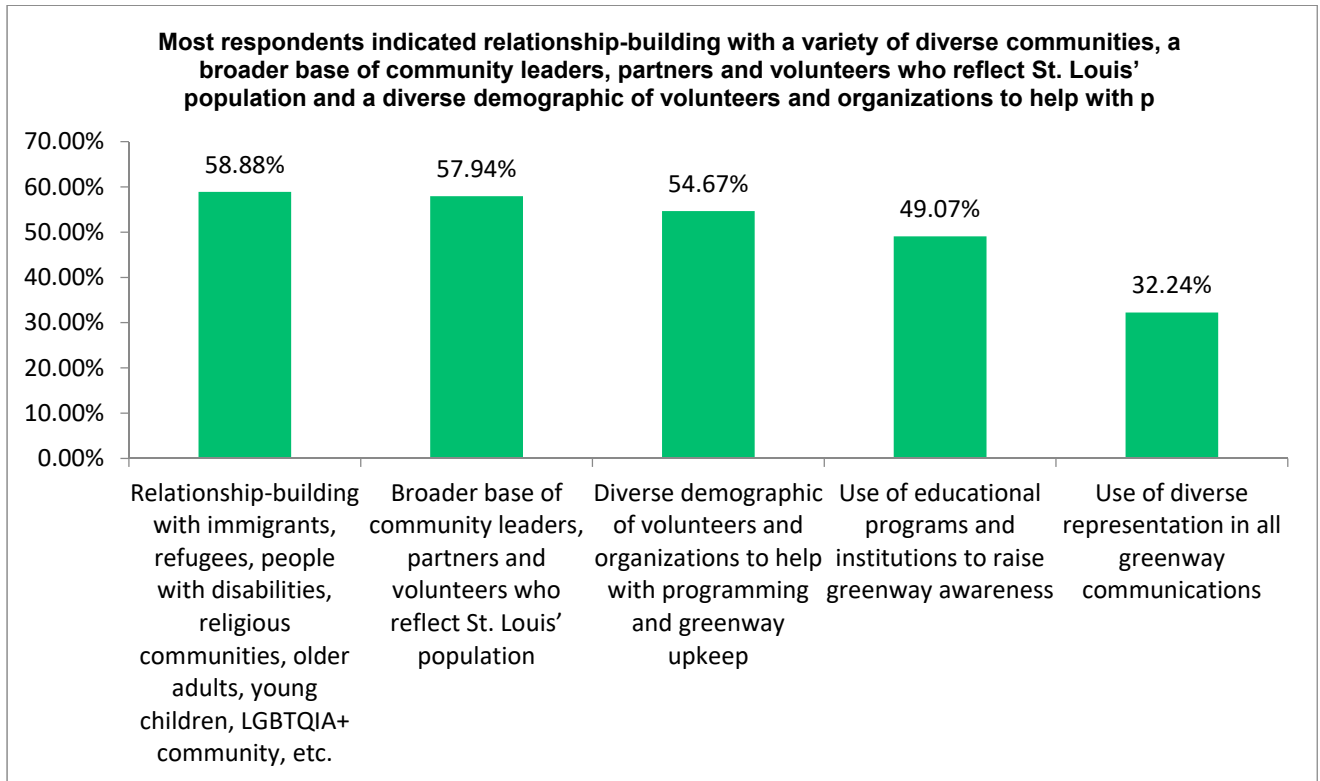
Prompt: "Check up to 2 practices that are most important to your neighborhood:"

Most respondents indicated art and programs by diverse artists that engage residents in making art and the inclusion of cultural narratives, languages and universal ability considerations are most important to their neighborhood.



Civic & Community Participation

Prompt: "Check up to 3 practices that are most important to your neighborhood:"



Get Involved

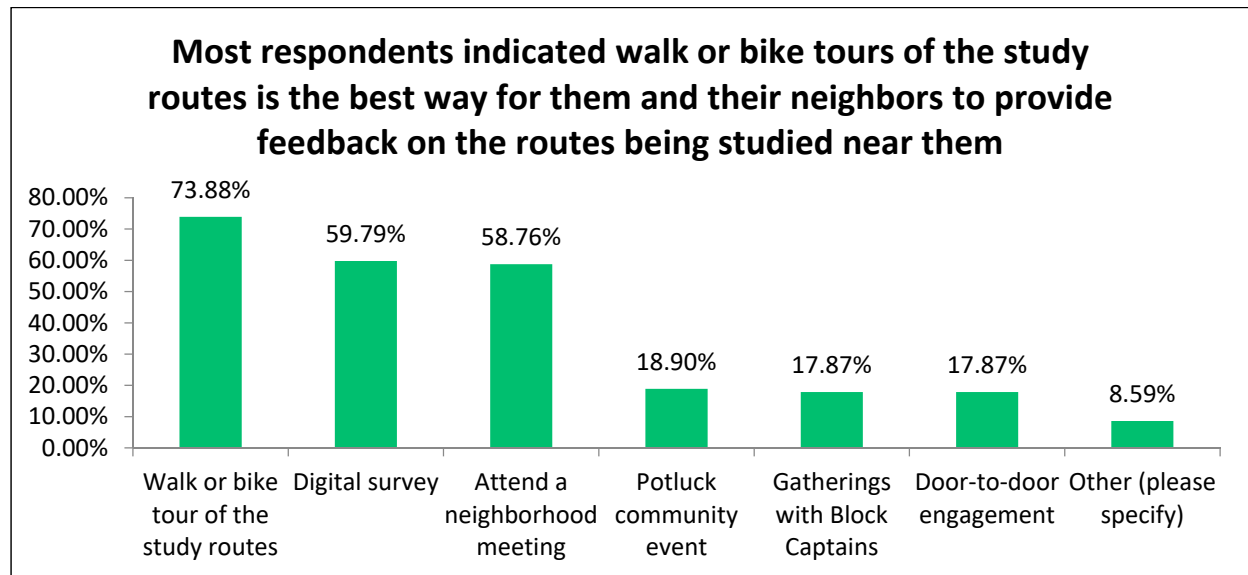
A greenway is reflective of the neighborhoods and communities it connects. It is important for neighbors of the greenway to feel a sense of pride and ownership. Attendees were invited to participate in three activities to assist in improving the project team’s understanding of how the community is engaged and the level at which they are, their best methods for providing feedback and how they’d prefer to play an active role on the greenway in their neighborhood. Below is a brief summary of each activity.

Prompt: “Are you a neighborhood leader, an artist, a small business owner, or a volunteer? How are you plugged in to your community?”

Most respondents indicated that they are plugged into the community, while others frequently provided no indication of their connection. The majority of respondents specified that they are involved through volunteerism. Other frequently mentioned roles include artistry and being an involved neighbor through engaging with neighborhood groups both in person at meetings and also online via social media.

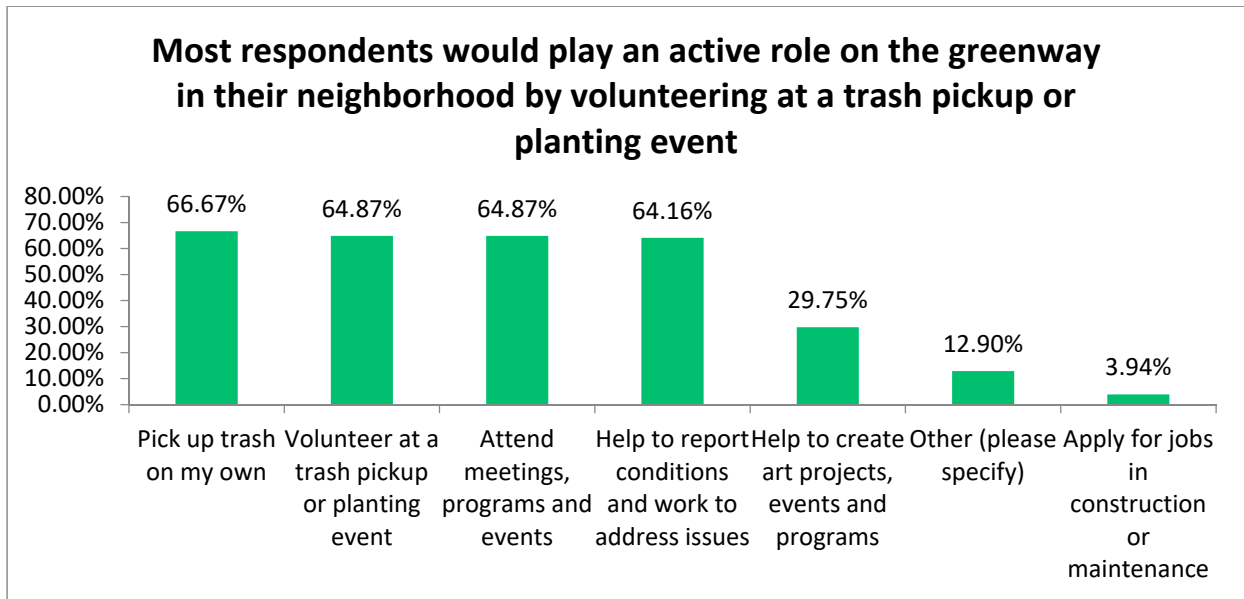
A list of the verbatim comments can be found in [Appendix Q](#).

Prompt: “What’s the best way for you and your neighbors to provide feedback on the routes being studied near you? (please check all that apply)”



A list of the verbatim comments from the other category can be found in [Appendix R](#).

Prompt: “How can you play an active role on the greenway in your neighborhood? (please check all that apply)”



A list of the verbatim comments from the other category can be found in [Appendix S](#).

How do you feel?

Understanding the communities perception of Chouteau Greenway informs the project team of the effectiveness of their outreach and project messaging. To improve future engagement efforts and branding, the final activity asked attendees to indicate their current feelings and hopes for the Chouteau Greenway project and also to leave any additional comments. Below is a brief summary of each activity.

Prompt: “Now that I've learned more, this project makes me feel:”

The majority of respondent’s comments were overwhelmingly positive. Many indicated they felt a sense of excitement, hope, interest and/or pride. However, there were also some mentions of concern regarding continual upkeep of the greenway, safety, environmental impact and the proposed routes.

A list of the verbatim comments can be found in [Appendix T](#).

Prompt: “Once it's built, I want the greenway to make me feel:”

Again, the majority of respondent’s comments were overwhelmingly positive. Neighbors indicated they want the greenway to either provide or increase feelings of connectivity, safety,

happiness, healthiness, pride and inclusion. Some respondents indicated they hope the greenway is able to do all things.

A list of the verbatim comments can be found in [Appendix U](#).

Prompt: “Is there anything else that compels you to be involved in this project? Let us know how you’d like to plug in!”



The majority of respondents informed the project team of the reason behind their interest in Chouteau Greenway. Comments included aspirations for advancing the city, hopes for their usage of the proposed greenway, suggestions regarding partners and engagement techniques as well as comments of gratitude for the overall effort.

A list of the verbatim comments can be found in [Appendix V](#).

Conclusion

The Framework Plan Engagement Phase consisted of educating about and spreading awareness of the Chouteau Greenway project and process behind the formation of the Chouteau Greenway Framework Plan. This process included the application of Steering Committee, Working Group, and AOCC expertise to guide the project team’s recommendations for Chouteau Greenway. Both the group’s suggestions and the team’s synopsis of the City of St. Louis, art and equity were then asked to be affirmed and/or expounded upon by the community.

Through workshops with the Steering Committee and Working Groups, 32 stakeholder interviews and participation at 25 community meetings and events, a common theme emerged: the need for more immersive engagement in north St. Louis city. The lack of responses from north St. Louis city from both the business letter and survey to local businesses on the city’s north side, the less than robust attendance at community meetings in north St. Louis city neighborhoods, and the lack of representation of north St. Louis City residents at the four regional Feedback and Fun Fests support the need for additional engagement and input in north St. Louis city.

The next phase of engagement will focus on specific neighborhoods within the project study area. Beginning with the north city neighborhoods, the engagement team will learn more about how the greenway can meet the community’s needs and assist in improving their neighborhoods.

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Appendices

Appendix A

Steering Committee & Working Group Rosters



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Chouteau Greenway Steering Committee and Working Group Roster

First Name	Last Name	Organization	Neighborhood	Committee/Working Group Designation(s)
Yemi	Akande-Bartsch	FOCUS St. Louis		Equity Co-Chair and Steering Committee
Rodney	Boyd	Nexus Group		Steering Committee
Cindy	Brinkley	Centene		Steering Committee
Rodney	Crim	STL Partnership		Steering Committee
Alison	Ferring	Community Volunteer		Steering Committee
Steven	Harris	Rubin Brown		Steering Committee Co-Chair
Erica	Henderson	St. Louis Economic Development Partnership		Economic Development Co-Chair & Steering Committee
Lesley	Hoffarth	Forest Park Forever		Design, Development and Construction Co-Chair and Steering Committee
Derek	Laney	Epworth Children and Family Services	Skinker DeBaliviere	Steering Committee
Katie	Lappe	Barnes Jewish Hospital	Tower Grove East	Steering Committee
Jim	Mann	Taylor Family Office		Steering Committee Co-Chair
Linda	Martinez	Office of the Mayor		Governance Co-Chair and Steering Committee
Adnan	Omeragic	Fox Architects		Design, Development and Construction Co-Chair & Steering Committee
Deborah	Patterson	Monsanto		Design, Development and Construction & Steering Committee
Gregory	Patterson	Barnes Jewish Hospital		Steering Committee
Melissa	Paz	Civic Volunteer		Design, Development and Construction & Steering Committee
Brian	Phillips	Washington University Medical Center Redevelopment Corp.		Economic Development and Steering Committee
Gilberto	Pinela	Cortex		Equity Co-Chair and Steering Committee



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First Name	Last Name	Organization	Neighborhood	Committee/Working Group Designation(s)
Emily	Pulitzer	Pulitzer Foundation		Steering Committee
Don	Roe	St. Louis City Planning		Design, Development and Construction and Steering Committee
Will	Ross	Washington University School of Medical		Steering Committee
Jonathan	Smith	Saint Louis University / Cortex		Steering Committee
Lisa	Suggs	Federal Reserve	Shaw	Steering Committee
Hank	Webber	Washington University Medical Center		Steering Committee
Mike	Whittle	St. Louis Cardinals		Steering Committee
Otis	Williams	St. Louis Development Corporation		Economic Development and Steering Committee
Lester	Woods	MoDOT		Governance Co-Chair and Steering Committee
Pacia	Anderson	Self-Employed - AOCC Metropolitan Sewer District		Design, Development & Construction
Urana	Ballard		Tiffany	Design, Development & Construction
Jake	Banton	Mackey Mitchell Architects		Design, Development & Construction
Matt	Bernstine	Washington University		Design, Development & Construction
Arjun	Bhat	CannonDesign		Design, Development & Construction
Tracy	Boaz	Missouri Dept. of Conservation		Design, Development & Construction
Rich	Bradley	City of St. Louis		Design, Development & Construction
Mary	Chandler	Internal Revenue Service	Greater Ville	Design, Development & Construction
Lois	Conley	Griot Museum		Design, Development & Construction
Paul	Fendler	Fendler & Associates		Design, Development & Construction
Michelle	Forneris	MoDOT		Design, Development & Construction



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Chris	Goodson	Land Clearance for Redevelopment Authority		Design, Development & Construction
Imran	Hanafi	SSM Health	Central West End	Design, Development & Construction
Ametra	Harris	Alberici Constructors		Design, Development & Construction
Lesley	Hoffarth	Forest Park Forever		Design, Development & Construction Co-Chair & Steering Committee
Nicholas	Hoffman	Missouri Historical Society		Design, Development & Construction
Gavin	Kroeber	Independent Artist, Curator and Writer		Design, Development & Construction
Michael	Lucido	Saint Louis University		Design, Development & Construction
Ronaldo	Luna	Saint Louis University	Midtown	Design, Development & Construction
Lisa	Melandri	CAM St. Louis		Design, Development & Construction
David	Newburger	Office of the Disabled		Design, Development & Construction
Adnan	Omeragic	Fox Architects		Design, Development & Construction Co-Chair & Steering Committee
Deborah	Patterson	Monsanto		Design, Development & Construction & Steering Committee
Melissa	Paz			Design, Development & Construction & Steering Committee
Don	Roe	St. Louis City Planning		Design, Development & Construction & Steering Committee
Felicia	Shaw	Regional Arts Commission		Design, Development & Construction
Steve	Sobo	Washington University		Design, Development & Construction
Brian	Temple	HOK		Design, Development & Construction
Jay	Watson	St. Louis Development Corp.		Design, Development & Construction
Abdul-Kaba	Abdullah	Park Central Development		Economic Development
Dustin	Allison	Arch to Park		Economic Development



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Kevin	Bryant	Kingsway Development & Conversions Global Marketing		Economic Development
Audrey	Ellerman	Covenant Blu-Grand Center Neighborhood Association	Covenant Blu-Grand Center	Economic Development
April	Ford Griffin	City of St. Louis Affordable Housing Commission	Carr Square	Economic Development
Vanessa	Cooksey	Wells Fargo Advisors		Economic Development
Brooks	Goedeker	Saint Louis University		Economic Development
Karl	Guenther	Invest STL		Economic Development
Karin	Hagaman	Grand Center Inc.		Economic Development
Garrick	Hamilton	The Koman Group		Economic Development
Erica	Henderson	St. Louis Economic Development Partnership		Economic Development Co-Chair & Steering Committee
Michael	Holmes	Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis Inc.		Economic Development
Brian	Hurd	Rise Community Development		Economic Development
Missy	Kelley	Downtown STL, Inc.		Economic Development
John	Langa	Bi-State Development		Economic Development
Karen	Levernez	Matrixx Integrated Solutions	Downtown West	Economic Development
Dennis	Lower	Cortex		Economic Development
Sal	Martinez	Employment Connections		Economic Development
Brian	Phillips	Washington University Medical Center Redevelopment Corporation		Economic Development Co-Chair & Steering Committee



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First Name	Last Name	Organization	Neighborhood	Committee/Working Group Designation(s)
Carolyn	Seward	The Met Center and Family & Workforce Centers of America		Economic Development
Esther	Shin	Urban Strategies		Economic Development
Otis	Williams	St. Louis Development Corp.		Economic Development & Steering Committee
Yemi	Akande-Bartsch	FOCUS St. Louis		Equity Co-Chair & Steering Committee
Charles	Bryson	Civil Rights Enforcement Agency		Equity
Glenn	Burleigh	Metropolitan St. Louis Equal Housing and Opportunity Council		Equity
Jenny	Connelly-Bowen	Community Builders Network of Metro STL		Equity
Andy	Crossett	SAP America	Downtown	Equity
Nerishka	Cruz	Hispanic Chamber of Commerce		Equity
Darren	Jackson	All Black Creative		Equity
Ro	Kicker	National Conference for Community and Justice - St. Louis		Equity
Vin	Ko	St. Louis Mosaic Project		Equity
LaShana	Lewis	L.M. Lewis Consulting		Equity
Ryan	McClure	Boys Hope Girls Hope of St. Louis		Equity
Kimberly	McKinney	Habitat for Humanity		Equity
Cindy	Mense	Trailnet		Equity
Bradley	Naert	HBM Holdings	Wydown Skinker	Equity



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Rudy	Nickens	MoDOT		Equity
Gilberto	Pinela	Cortex		Equity Co-Chair & Steering Committee
Alex	Roberts	Fleishman Hillard	Compton Heights	Equity
Roz	Rodgers	East-West Gateway Council of Governments		Equity
AJ	Sander	Explore STL		Equity
Lucas	Signorelli	St. Louis Metro Market		Equity
Julianne	Stone	Community Volunteer	Lafayette Square	Equity
Rikki	Takeyama Menn	St. Louis Regional Health Commission		Equity
Katy	Thomas	ALPHAEON	DeBaliviere Place	Equity
Merelyn	Becker	Wells Fargo Advisors	The Gate District	Governance
Michael J.	Browning	Washington University School of Medicine	Forest Park Southeast	Governance
William	Carson	US Bank		Governance
Ken	Franklin	Community Volunteer		Governance
Ed	Hassinger	MoDOT		Governance
Phil	Hulse	Green Street St Louis		Governance
Karl	Hutchinson	Landis Gyr	DeBaliviere Place	Governance
Bill	Kuehling	Thompson Coburn		Governance
Linda	Martinez	City of St. Louis - Mayor's Office		Governance Co-Chair & Steering Committee
Stephanie	Mickles	Student/Business Person		Governance
Marian	Nunn	Retired/Community Volunteer		Governance
Steve	O'Loughlin	Lodging Hospitality Management		Governance



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First Name	Last Name	Organization	Neighborhood	Committee/Working Group Designation(s)
Sheila	Rendon	Community Volunteer	St. Louis Place	Governance
Steve	Smith	Lawrence Group		Governance
Lucie	Springmeyer	Retired/Community Volunteer		Governance
Jason	Terry	Gilmore & Bell		Governance
Monique	Williams	Williams & Associates CPA, LLC	Vandeventer	Governance
Rosie	Willis	Community Volunteer	JeffVanderLou	Governance
Lester	Woods	MoDOT		Governance Co-Chair & Steering Committee

Appendix B

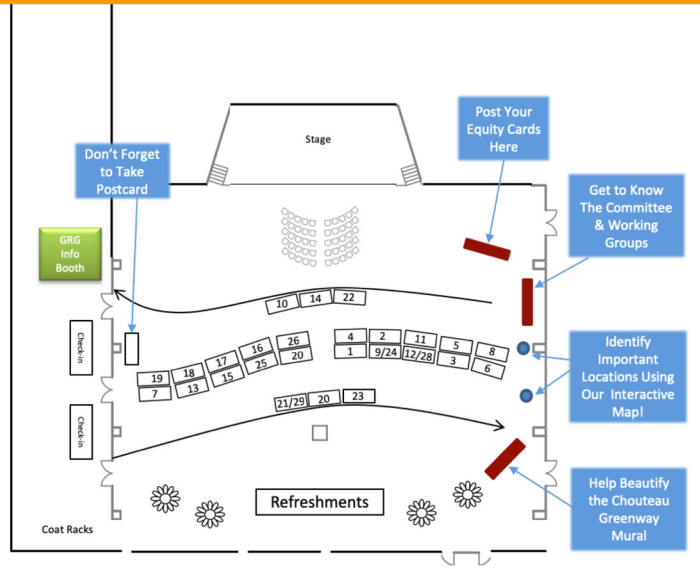
Community Update Map (Front and back side)

<h1>Welcome</h1> <p>Thank you for engaging with us at the Chouteau Greenway Community Update!</p>	
<h3>MEET THE PROJECT TEAM & SHARE YOUR IDEAS!</h3> <p>Presentation times: 4:30, 5:30, 6:30, 7:30 pm</p> <p>Make your mark on the project map - show us where you play & gather.</p> <p>Enjoy today's expo featuring more than 30 organizations that span the project area, such as nonprofits, agencies, development projects, neighborhoods and more!</p>	<h3>THINGS YOU CAN DO TONIGHT</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Listen to a presentation update about Chouteau Greenway and learn about the diverse teams on the project- Learn and engage with community resources and partners along Chouteau Greenway- Tell us where you play & gather by adding your response to our Chouteau Mural- Tell us what equity means to you <p><i>Don't forget to grab some postcards before you leave to pass on to your friends and family!</i></p>

**Engage with Community Partners
Along Chouteau Greenway**
Numbers correspond w/ tables on map

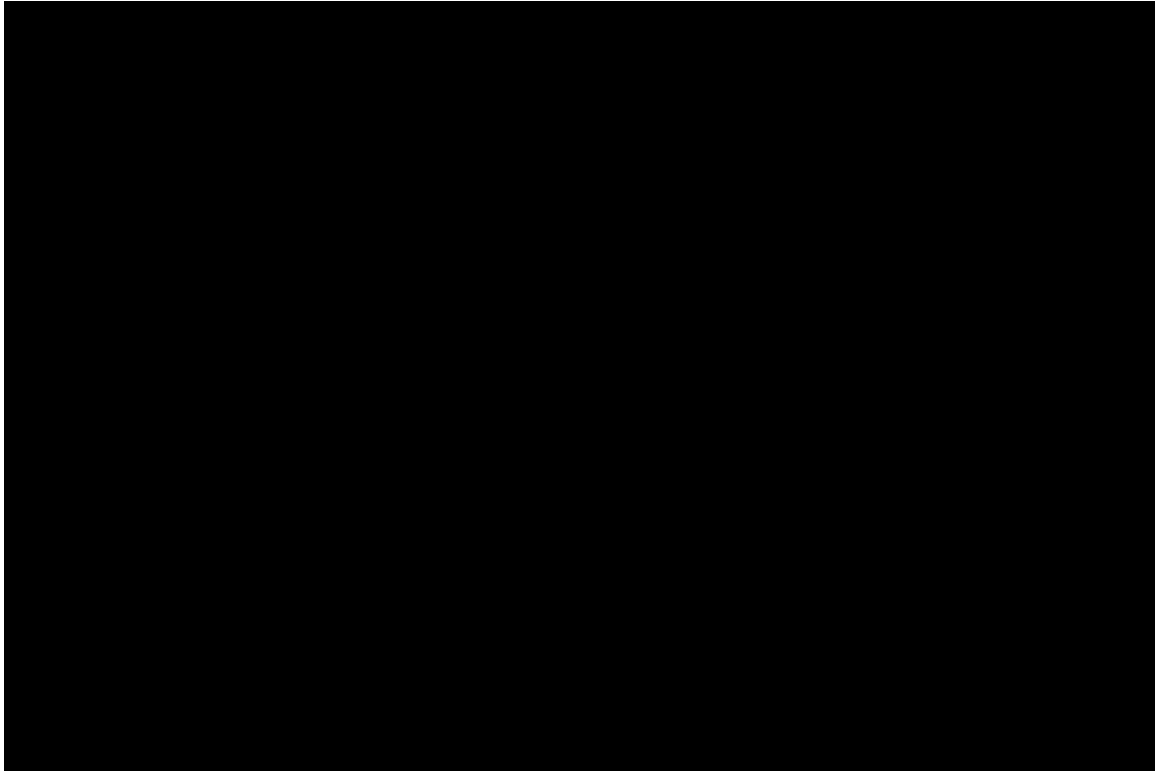
- 1 - BJC – Our World Made Better
- 2 - Citizens for Modern Transit (CMT)
- 3 - City of St. Louis Dept. of Health – Nutritional Services
- 4 - Cortex / CIC
- 5 - East-West Gateway Council of Governments
- 6 - Explore St. Louis
- 7 - Forest Park Forever
- 8 - Gateway Arch Park Foundation
- 9 - Grand Center Inc.
- 10 - Kingsway Development
- 11 - Metro / Bi-State Development
- 12 - Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District
- 13 - Missouri Historical Society
- 14 - National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA)
- 15 - Paraquad
- 16 - Park Central Development
- 17 - Saint Louis Science Center
- 18 - Saint Louis Science Center – YES Program
- 19 - Saint Louis Zoo
- 20 - Shaw Neighborhood Improvement Association
- 21 - South Grand Community Improvement District
- 22 - St. Louis Association for Community Organizations (SLACO)
- 23 - St. Louis Children’s Hospital
- 24 - St. Louis College of Pharmacy
- 25 - St. Louis Community College
- 26 - St. Louis Community Foundation
- 27 - St. Louis Forestry Department
- 28 - T-REX
- 29 - Tower Grove Neighborhood CDC
- 30 - Venture Café St. Louis

Event Map



Appendix C

Equity Card



Appendix D

Public Informational Handout

WHERE WE'VE BEEN: Chouteau Greenway International Design Competition

Public and private partners came together to fund an international design competition in 2017 and 2018 to generate bold ideas and new perspectives on the idea of connecting Forest Park to the Gateway Arch, with connections north and south. With community input from start to finish, teams from around the world submitted their qualifications, a jury chose four to compete and then selected the Stoss Landscape Urbanism team, made up of several local and national firms/individuals with a wide range of expertise.



2017				2018					
SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
Request for Qualifications released	Teams forming	19 teams submit, Jury selects four of them	Teams announced	Teams are briefed, meet with TAG	Teams meet with TAG	Teams finalize conceptual designs	Teams submit, present to jury and community, jury chooses 1, recommends refinement	Stoss team announced	Refinement workshops with stakeholders
Survey open, Recruit Community Advisory Committee (CAC)	CAC meeting (40 individuals)	Technical Advisory Group (TAG) meets (60 individuals) CAC meeting	CAC mtg to create Community Goals from 2,000+ surveys collected from street team	Meet the Designers Night, Community Day	CAC bus tour	Prepare for community feedback period	Community gives feedback on all four designs	CAC workshop	Plan future engagement on projects, phases

The working map diagram from the competition shows all possible routes to explore. **Key piece of feedback from St. Louis residents - "connect neighborhoods north and south into this project."**



MAP LEGEND

- Mississippi River
- Forest Park, Arch, Gateway Mall and Adjacent Open Spaces
- Potential Chouteau Greenway Corridors
- Other Existing Greenways
- Other Future Greenways
- Other Existing and Potential Bike/Ped Facilities



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WHERE WE ARE: Working Groups

During the competition, we had a Community Advisory Committee, Technical Advisory Group and Design Oversight Committee. Moving forward, we'll have an overall **Steering Committee and four Working Groups** for the project.

Critical to this work is having **many voices at the table**; all five groups will support and inform the design team's work. We expect that members subscribe to consensus and value-based decision-making processes to benefit the region as a whole. This effort not only includes representation from the 19 city neighborhoods that lie within the project area, but also technical experts, community leaders and other stakeholders.



The Steering Committee and Working Groups had orientation this morning!
Please welcome to the Chouteau Greenway Team:

STEERING COMMITTEE

- Yemi Akande-Bartsch
- Rodney Boyd
- Cindy Brinkley
- Rodney Crim
- Alison Ferring
- Steven Harris**
- Erica Henderson
- Lesley Hoffarth
- Derek Laney
- Katie Lappe
- Jim Mann**
- Linda Martinez
- Adnan Omeragic
- Deborah Patterson
- Gregory Patterson
- Melissa Paz
- Brian Phillips
- Gilberto Pinela
- Emily Pultizer
- Don Roe
- Will Ross
- Jonathan Smith
- Lisa Suggs
- Hank Webber
- Mike Whittle
- Otis Williams
- Lester Woods

DESIGN, DEVELOPMENT & CONSTRUCTION WORKING GROUP

- Pacia Anderson
- Urana Ballard
- Matt Bernstine
- Arjun Bhat
- Tracy Boaz
- Rich Bradley
- Mary Chandler
- Lois Conley
- Paul Fendler
- Michelle Forneris
- Chris Goodson

- Imran Hanafi
- Ametra Harris
- Lesley Hoffarth**
- Nicholas Hoffman
- Gavin Kroeber
- Michael Lucido
- Ronaldo Luna
- Lisa Melandri
- David Newburger
- Adnan Omeragic**
- Deborah Patterson
- Melissa Paz
- Don Roe
- Felicia Shaw
- Steve Sobo
- Brian Temple
- Jay Watson

GOVERNANCE WORKING GROUP

- Merylne Becker
- Michael J. Browning
- Bill Carson
- Ken Franklin
- Ed Hassinger
- Phil Hulse
- Bill Kuehling
- Linda Martinez**
- Stephanie Mickles
- Marian Nunn
- Steve O'Loughlin
- Sheila Rendon
- Steve Smith
- Lucie Springmeyer
- Jason Terry
- Monique Williams
- Rosie Willis
- Lester Woods**

EQUITY WORKING GROUP

- Yemi Akande-Bartsch**
- Tamar Brown
- Charles Bryson
- Glenn Burleigh
- Jenny Connelly-Bowen
- Andy Crossett
- Nerishka Cruz
- Darren Jackson
- Ro Kicker
- Vin Ko
- LaShana Lewis
- Ryan McClure
- Kimberly McKinney
- Bradley Naert
- Rudy Nickens
- Ralph Pfremer
- Gilberto Pinela**
- Alex Roberts
- AJ Sander
- Lucas Signorelli
- Julianne Stone
- Rikki Takeyama Menn
- Katy Thomas

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WORKING GROUP

- Abdul-Kaba Abdullah
- Dustin Allison
- Kevin Bryant
- Audrey Ellerman
- Liza Farr
- April Ford Griffin
- Brooks Goedecker
- Karl Guenther
- Karin Hagaman
- Garrick Hamilton
- Erica Henderson**
- Mike Holmes
- Brian Hurd
- Missy Kelley
- John Langa
- Karen Levernez
- Dennis Lower
- Sal Martinez
- Brian Phillips**
- Carolyn Seward
- Esther Shin
- Otis Williams

** = CO-CHAIR



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WHAT'S COMING NEXT: Framework Plan

The next step will be to create an overall framework plan, studying the entire project area within the four topics of:

LOOK AND FEEL (the brand, the identity, the amenities)

ALIGNMENT (feasibility of possible routes)

EQUITY (exploring how to achieve equitable outcomes in project and process)

ECONOMIC GROWTH (exploring how this project can be a catalyst for opportunity)

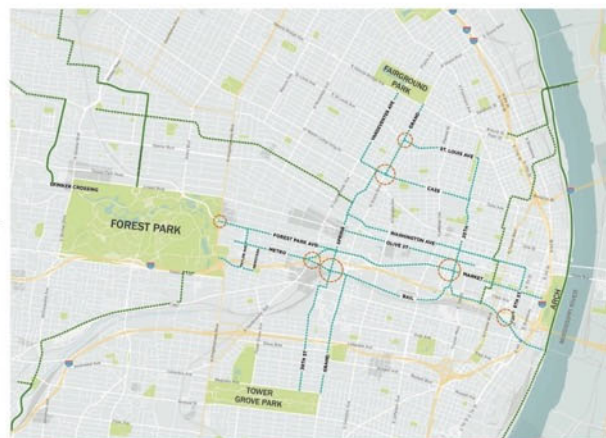
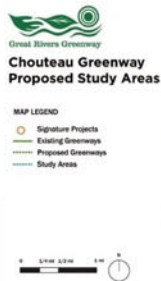
When the framework is complete in Summer 2019, pieces of geography will be studied in projects called “labs” to test the framework and further design specific greenway segments.



The areas to be studied stretch from Washington University and Forest Park through our city to downtown and the Gateway Arch, north to Fairground Park and south to Tower Grove Park, connecting our city's vibrant neighborhoods, parks, business and arts districts, employment centers, transit and dozens of cultural and educational institutions.

Could connect up to 19 city neighborhoods:

- | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Carr Square | JeffVanderLou |
| Central West End | Midtown |
| Covenant Blu-Grand Center | Shaw |
| Compton Heights | Skinker DeBaliviere |
| DeBaliviere Place | St. Louis Place |
| Downtown | Tiffany |
| Downtown West | Tower Grove East |
| Forest Park Southeast | Vandeventer |
| The Gate District | Wydown Skinker |
| Greater Ville | |



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CHOUTEAU GREENWAY: Mission, Vision, Intended Outcomes

MISSION & VISION:

Chouteau Greenway will transform St. Louis by connecting people and our City's most treasured places, creating inspiring experiences and equitable opportunities for growth.

INTENDED OUTCOMES:

Exceptional Experience

Chouteau Greenway is a series of dynamic spaces where vibrant activities are happening throughout the year. Chouteau Greenway is a regional gathering place where people linger, learn, and engage in memorable experiences that connect them to St. Louis and to each other.

Civic Well-Being

Chouteau Greenway is a transparent, accountable, and inclusive project that boosts civic pride, care, and consideration, leaving a legacy for future generations. Chouteau Greenway is a common ground that unites communities and strengthens relationships.

Connectivity

Chouteau Greenway connects St. Louis' iconic neighborhoods, institutions, transit, employment centers, business and arts districts, innovation hubs, and public spaces.

Economic Growth

Chouteau Greenway creates equitable opportunities for growth and inspires continued catalytic public and private investments by building places for people to come together to live, work, play, and visit.

Environmental Leadership

Chouteau Greenway is a model for excellence in ecology with engaged communities who are stewards of our natural resources.

Healthy Lifestyles

Chouteau Greenway is a network of accessible and inviting places and paths that encourage exploration, exercise, active transportation, and daily use that enhances physical and mental well-being for people of all ages and all abilities.



Renderings credit to Stoss Landscape Urbanism



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Appendix E

Public Informational Handout – Save the Date and Survey Reminder Half Sheet Flyer

SAVE THESE DATES!

Help shape the greenway connecting 20 City of St. Louis neighborhoods



Tuesday, July 9th
5:00 – 7:30 PM
Tower Grove Park - Piper Palm House
4256 Magnolia Ave., St. Louis, MO 63110

Saturday, July 13th
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Boys & Girls Club - Herbert Hoover
2901 N. Grand Ave., St. Louis, MO 63107

Thursday, July 18th
3:00 – 8:00 PM
Cortex Commons & Venture Café
4240 Duncan Ave., St. Louis, MO 63110

Sunday, July 21st
1:00 – 4:00 PM
Soldier's Memorial Military Museum
1315 Chestnut St., St. Louis, MO 63103

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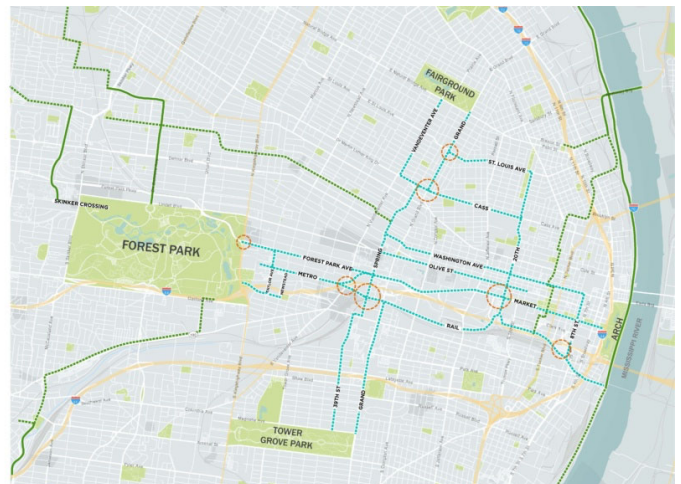
Stop by anytime to enjoy free snacks, music, art and games during four Feedback Festivals!
All ages welcome, let us know about any accommodation needs. 314-436-7009

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Chouteau Greenway
Proposed Study Areas

MAP LEGEND
○ Signature Projects
— Existing Greenways
- - - Proposed Greenways
- - - Study Areas



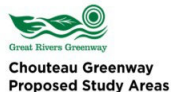
Take the Virtual Open House Survey!

The Framework Plan for Chouteau Greenway will guide how the greenway is equitably designed, operated and maintained, while also ensuring it will be a reflection of St. Louis and the various neighborhoods it connects.

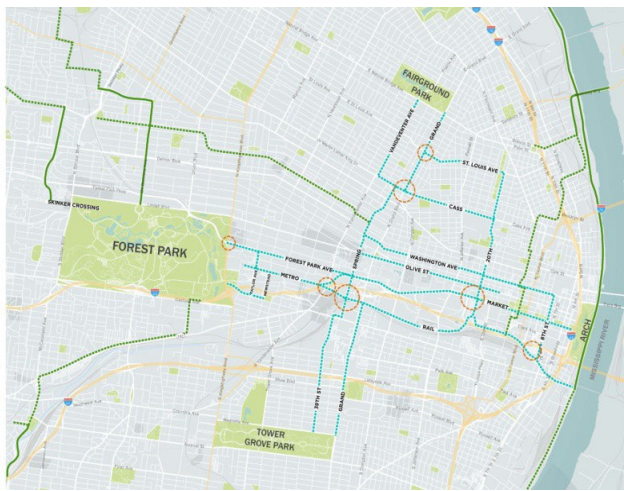
Take the Chouteau Greenway Virtual Open House Survey to provide feedback on components of the plan at <https://bit.ly/2XYqxEI> or scan the QR code below



Visit www.ChouteauGreenway.org for more info



- MAP LEGEND
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 - Proposed Greenways
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Appendix F

Mailed Business Letter

Monday, July 22, 2019

Dear [Salutation] [First Name] [Last Name] [or Current Business Owner],

Currently, Great Rivers Greenway, the regional public agency connecting St. Louis with greenways, is engaging the community about the Chouteau Greenway project and process and we want your input. By completing the survey below (~15 minutes), you will share critical information about this area and ensure a variety of voices have provided input on this important project.

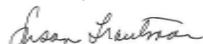
Chouteau Greenway will transform St. Louis by connecting Washington University and Forest Park through downtown to the Gateway Arch National Park, with spurs north and south to Fairground Park and Tower Grove Park also with a greenway. The goal is to connect vibrant neighborhoods, parks, businesses and art districts as part of an overall greenway network. Greenways are outdoor spaces connecting people and places. Each greenway is unique, reflecting the character of the community. 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.

The Chouteau Greenway project is an opportunity to do something special, not only because of the transformative power of greenways, but also because it is intended to create inspiring experiences and equitable opportunities for growth. That's why we need your input. Either use the following link or the QR code below to complete the Chouteau Greenway Business Survey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CGBizFeedback>

We also invite you to take our Virtual Open House Survey, open until August 2nd, to provide feedback on components of the draft Framework Plan which will guide the Chouteau Greenway project process. Take the Virtual Open House Survey at <https://bit.ly/2XYqxEL>

Meanwhile, if you have questions and would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Darby Latham at 314-621-5566 or dlatham@vectorstl.com. For more information about Chouteau Greenway, please visit www.ChouteauGreenway.org

Sincerely,



Susan Trautman
Chief Executive Officer
Great Rivers Greenway

Appendix G

Feedback & Fun Fest Flyer

MAKING OF A GREENWAY: Feedback & Fun Fests

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Sunday, July 21st
1:00 - 4:00 PM

Kaufmann Park in Downtown St. Louis
13th Street & Chestnut Street

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Stop by anytime to enjoy **FREE: snacks, music, art & activities like bike tune-ups, a rock wall, face painting, bubble truck and walking tours!**

All ages welcome, let us know about any accommodation needs.

314-436-7009 or info@grgstl.org

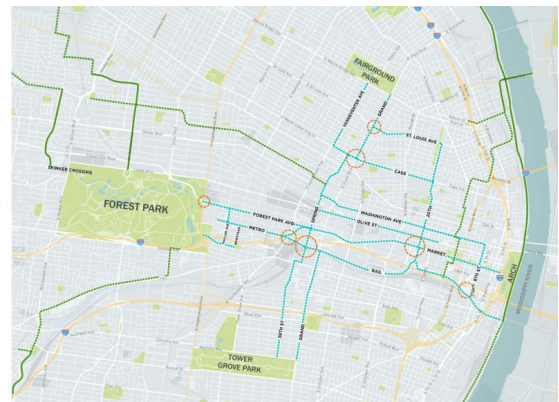
Can't attend? Join our **Virtual Open House:**

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Appendix H

Neighborhood Identification Data

Answer Choices	Responses	Neighborhood in Chouteau Greenway	CITY	REGION	OUT OF TOWN
	TOTAL 608				
Residential Neighborhood COUNT	560	127	267	164	2
Residential Neighborhood % of respondents	92%	23%	70%	29%	0%
Residential Zip code COUNT	554	238	131	170	11
Residential Zip code % of respondents	91%	43%	24%	31%	2%
Work/School/Other Neighborhood COUNT:	180	102	29	46	3
Work/School/Other Neighborhood %:	20%	57%	16%	26%	2%
Work/School/Other Neighborhood Zip COUNT:	272	163	27	78	4
Work/School/Other Neighborhood Zip %:	45%	60%	10%	29%	1%
*All of these are unique categories, no overlap					
** South side of town far outrepresents north side					

Appendix I

Love Letter

Dear St. Louis:

I love you because _____

You make me feel _____

I will always remember _____

Love You Always,

Nametag Number

Appendix J

Verbatim Love Letter Comments

Verbatim love letter comments:
Of your history, diversity, food, and location. You make me feel at home, challenged, and a little sad and how unwilling you are to change.
... you have great bones and great potential ... optimistic for the future ... the great neighborhoods
.... you've got a quality of life that punches above its weight class (culture, food, parks)
...of your potential ... energized ... your history
...revitalized, diverse, beautiful, and walkable urban neighborhoods like Shaw, the Central West End, the Grove, Tower Grove South, DeMun, and Soulard. ...excellent parks, from the massive Forest Park to the small but mighty City Garden. ...the embrace of immigrants from various backgrounds.
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Beautiful parks, impressive & creative restaurants, unique ZMD concept for important cultural organizations, excellent arts & music, highest-quality universities and medical centers, innovations (Cortex, Parents as Teachers, Forest Park rénovation process, Archgrounds renovation process, Gateway Greening).
because you are my home . . . feel frustrated and sad at the lack of good leadership in the region . . . remember the homey, comfy and loving neighborhood I grew up in - west STL of 59XX Page - all knew each other, safe, neighbors involved in strong block units, a real neighborhood. . .
because you have such a rich history, combined with a wealth of outdoor opportunities.
Comfortable Engaged neighborhood, Tower Grove Park, Botanical Gardens & exciting musical entertainment
Cultural Artistic Creative Events & Spaces Around
Dear St. Louis, I love you because... you are a historical gem in the Midwest You make me feel... like I am a part of a genuine community I will always remember... how it felt to finally feel HOME
Dear St. Louis, I love you because you're the perfect balance between a city and the wild!
Even though this is not my home town, it has been a great place to raise a family. Good schools, clean air (reasonably clean, anyway), lots of parks within driving distance, terrific ethnic restaurants with lots of choices provided by newcomers to our city.
Family
fireflies on summer evenings
Food

Verbatim love letter comments:
food, art, music, culture
Getting to know people from other neighborhoods is great. If you meet them on foot or bike that is great
Great food/beer/entertainment and the low cost of living that allows us to enjoy all of it.
Great parks & people!
Growing up in the Pruitt & Igoe Projects was the best experience a family could have. We had every amenity a flourishing community should have. Life was wonderful....
Historic neighborhoods, strong and active communities, historic architecture, parks, amenities, food, cost of living and quality of life.
home and my community is strong and friendly
Homebound Homesick For red brick a nip upon the air Memories Of Autumn leaves and Meet Me at the Fair River Blues Cardinal hues travelin' back today Eastward bound to my hometown we've come a very long way Cold beer Summer's near Backyard Barbeque Majestic Arch and Forest Park a taste of 'old Ted Drewes I moved away planned to stay But her voice was calling my name Everything's changed life's rearranged my city is still the same A family place the Midwest pace I thin this time I'll remain
how comfortable it feels to live in this city!
I "like" you because you have so much to offer anyone interested in outdoor life and healthy living.
I always remember the fun times growing up.
I am here because of family. We appreciate and enjoy STL musical and cultural offerings.
I feel connected to the city when I am in Forest Park.
I feel welcomed, how inviting the city and it's people are
I grew up here. It is a childhood home.
I have a great home at a reasonable cost in a very good urban neighborhood. You make be feel that I am in the middle of great attractions that I can easily get to without spending my life in a car.
I have many friends here
I like St. Louis because it is an affordable place to raise children, has many parks, good restaurants, and cultural activities.
I like the rich historic architecture and sense of history everywhere, the accessibility, the the affordability, the cultural institutions (zoo, museums, public parks like Citygarden and Forest Park, symphony, etc), the walkability of some neighborhoods
I love all of your parks and genuine friendly people. I love how green you are.
I love how family friendly the city is and I think a well thought out bike trail will make it even better.
I love our history. Founded on the first high ground next to the river south of the confluence, Laclede and Chouteau put their heart, soul, and vision into the founding of this city. While not all they could be, the Chouteau's were known to have been generous with others, and respectful in trading with the Native Americans. This greenway can be a great testament to vision and development of this city. I also love our geography; not too far north or south, on the edge of east and west, generally on the line between the dry northern plains and the

Verbatim love letter comments:
wetter Gulf Coast, and therefore, we're in a special place for trees and native plants, agriculture, and transportation. At some point in one's life, you begin to really appreciate the uniqueness and blending that is St. Louis. You make me feel comfortable. A lot of people move here for their job and end up staying. It's a very comfortable, easy-going, and helpful place to live. I will always remember summer nights in Forest Park with the Muny or other events. Additionally, I will always remember the flood of 93!
I love ST. Louis because it is friendly and so many sights are free.
I love that the city is composed of neighborhoods that each have their own architectural style, cultural flavors, distinctive sights and sounds... I could be blindfolded, dropped off someplace in STL, and just by looking at the buildings and businesses know very quickly where I am, and where I am in relationship to major landmarks. Diversity is literally built into this city, despite various cultural efforts over the course of its history intended to create a more homogeneous population. When I'm on my way back to my own neighborhood--from a trip out of town or from visiting a friend out in the county--there will be a moment, flying or driving into the city, when I see the Gateway Arch and it feels like HOME. I will always remember sitting on the floor of my grade school gym, along with all the other kids, watching a small black-and-white television broadcasting the delivery and installment of the Gateway Arch keystone piece by helicopter.
I love the direction you are moving.
I love the diversity in restaurants.
I love the old architecture, brick buildings, historic neighborhoods, and the fact that drinking alcohol in public is no big deal. Love that it's dog-friendly. Love Forest Park.
I love the sense of community, the small town in a big city environment, and the push to make St Louis a great place to live.
I love you b/c of all the great food options You make me feel proud I will always remember Forest Park
I love you because you keep it real. You make me feel proud I will always remember walking from busch stadium to the loop and seeing the craziest stuff happen at 3am
I love you because cost of living is amazing and the people I have met here are great. There are so many fun things to do (most of which are free) like anything in Forest Park, cycling, playing soccer (love the soccer culture), the beautiful botanical garden, so many brewery options to hang out at, and so on. I love that I met my significant other here and that we were able to buy a home without feeling like we would be in debt the rest of our lives.
I love you because I grew up here.
I love you because I grew up in STL You make me feel like i'm home I will always remember riding through all the neighborhoods of STL on my bike
I love you because I love cities, especially cities with great parks, friendly people, good restaurants, and reasonably priced housing.
I love you because I've met some of the most kind people here and winters aren't as bad as Minnesota. You make me feel at home. I will always remember Forest Park.

Verbatim love letter comments:
I love you because of all of your free cultural events. You make me feel like I can create something new and impactful. I will always remember the quirky neighborhoods and hidden gems which give you your character.
I love you because of all the great neighborhoods, architecture, food, bars, parks, etc. in our city. We really want a place to walk or ride our bikes to explore.
I love you because of the diverse neighborhoods and combination of old city architecture and character, mixed with the gardens, parks and yards of trees. You make me feel proud and hopeful, but often disappointed because of the disparities because of leaders and everyday peoples' tendency to favor short term gains over long term benefits. I will always remember the experiences and memories that have happened across the area's neighborhoods which have made me who I am.
I love you because of the hidden gems in the city. There is so much richness, waiting to be explored and experienced
I love you because of the sense of belonging that your organizations exude. I enjoy the walkable neighborhoods, the standard jokes about the way we talk and where we went to high school, and I identify with the Arch and the Cardinals.
I love you because of your deep and rich history and your passion for the arts.
I love you because of your unique neighborhoods, and vibrant style. You make me feel welcome. I will always remember my first apartment.
I love you because the cost of living is affordable. You make me feel not rushed. I will always remember the beautiful architecture.
I love you because the housing is so cheap. You make me feel like we're on the cusp of greatness.
I love you because there are these amazing communities and cultural events that bring people together. Because there is so much potential to improve community, collaboration, transportation, safety and make us a stronger community.
I love you because there's so many different things to do and different types of people to meet here. You make me feel at home. I will always remember the St. Louis zoo and how fun it was to go there growing up.
I love you because this is where my family and best friends live. You have so much history to offer, and a great quality of life. And the potential is so high.
I love you because you are a great place to raise a family, an easy place to get around and full of fun things to do and enjoy.
I love you because you are a scrappy, diverse, beautiful (in parts) city on the valiant Mississippi River with incredible vintage architecture, a prime location in the heart of America's midwest, and a yet-to-be-realized potential as one of our nation's leading cities for quality of life.
I love you because you are a small town parading to be a large city and you have one of the best urban parks in the world. Your neighborhoods are especially strong and necessary to
I love you because you are broken, just like me. You have so much potential. You win BIG and fail BIG! You have been the pivot point of so many eras of history when we were many nations and now one nation. You are the birthplace of the United States of America's

Verbatim love letter comments:
<p>optimism, innovation, work ethic, generosity, hospitality, rugged intellect, and serve as our nation's barometer, for better or worse, straddling both sides of the Mason Dixon. You are the backdrop of my marriage, offering many places for romance and connection. You are comfortable, approachable, beautiful and wild with places yet to be discovered, just as she. I look forward to the days and years to come. You have helped raise my children to be wise about human nature and its foibles, while providing them a wealth of opportunity to experience our glory. They know you well, calling you "home," and cheering your landmarks with excitement in each meeting. You have given me soil to till, land to maintain, and a home beyond belief. There is history under my family's feet which stimulates our dreams and brings forth grumbles and cussing. It is a warm place welcoming many and reflects us well. When I work, it is for you – whether at home, in my office, in service, in worship, around the state, in other states, and even other nations – I am offering you all I can give you. I want you to be the best you can possibly be, and am jealous to protect you. Your challenges are great opportunities. Your blemishes give you character. You are mine and I am yours. We will be here as long as you will have us and think of you fondly when we are away. Sincerely, Aaron</p>
<p>I love you because you are home to generations of my people. Without you, my parents and grandparents would never have met. You have shaped my DNA. I love old, worn, strong, lasting, imperfect you.</p>
<p>I love you because you are home, and you will always be home -- no matter what!</p>
<p>I love you because you are home. You are a unique place - established at the confluence of two mighty rivers, with lush greenery above ground and a whole world of nooks and crannies below ground in the limestone caves. You are safe, unaffected by hurricanes or sharks! You are a launching point of discovery in a big land.</p>
<p>I love you because you are humble. You always make me feel at home. I will always remember your warm summer nights.</p>
<p>I love you because you are proud and hopeful. You make me feel at home.</p>
<p>I love you because you are so beautiful, your trees, your parks and libraries and museums, your fabulously creative people, your history. You always make me feel alive, and like the world is full of boundless opportunity. I will always remember the joy of closing on the purchase of our hundred year old home.</p>
<p>I love you because you are vibrant, alive, and full of heart.</p>
<p>I love you because you have so much history and so much promise. You're scrappy and resilient and full of people who want to fight to make this city a more just and equitable place.</p>
<p>I love you because you have so much history, architectural beauty and the people are generally nice</p>
<p>I love you because you have such a variety of attractions that meet my interests. You make me feel fulfilled because in one easy-to-reach location I can participate in so many fulfilling activities. I will always remember the Big Muddy Blues Festival.</p>
<p>I love you because you have the best food, free events, beautiful outdoor spaces and perfect places to shop.</p>

Verbatim love letter comments:
I love you because you have wonderful people, a diverse population, and inviting parks.
I love you because you mix history with vibrant events here in the city.
I love you because you never give up You make me feel proud I will always remember when Chouteau Greenway was just a crazy idea
I love you because you're affordable. You make me feel frustrated. I will always remember your potential.
I love you because you're home. People are nice. Neighborhoods are beautiful. Siberian's quality of food is great. So many things to do. There is so much potential here.
I LOVE YOU BECAUSE YOUR HOME. YOU MAKE ME FEEL AMBIVALENT. I APPRECIATE WHAT YOU HAVE BEEN AND I AM SADDENED BY WHAT YOU HAVE BECOME. I WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER MY LIFE EXPERIENCES THAT PLAYED SUCH A ROLE IN MOLDING MY PERSON.
I love you because your seasons are beautiful, your people are kind, and you are home.
I love you because you're a big small town. You make me feel comfortable and proud. I will always remember the history of this city.
I love you because you're resilient
I love you because you've got great parks and old brick buildings. You make me feel able to live a life of balance.
I love you because, you are my hometown. I love your history, architecture, generous and kind people, and your promise. My heart is here and always will be.
I love you because... of the sense of community. You make me feel... at home in a vibrant urban environment. I will always remember... block parties/get togethers.
I love you because... you have so much potential. You make me feel... like I am home. I will always remember... the feeling of optimism that washes over the city in times of real possibility - before the archgrounds, after a major sporting win, when large plans are announced.
I love you because...France!!!
I love you because...of your size, your unique neighborhoods and the pride the residents have for this city. You make me feel...at home and like there is something unique to be explored everyday. I will always remember...the sense of discovery when first moving here and realizing there were so many different neighborhoods I had to visit.
I love you for your food and your museums, history and parks. I will always remember the joy of growing up in St. Louis.
I raised my family here. You're a friendly, manageable city with great cultural institutions, sports teams, and generous people.
I think people who live in St. Louis are scrappy, realistic, and incredibly kind on an individual level. I've lived here for ten years and still have the feeling of joy when I discover parts of the city I haven't explored.
I think St. Louis is a strong mid-western city with good family values at its heart. There are many community activities that are free for the entire community to participate in (i.e. the zoo, museums, Shakespeare, etc.), which is rare for a city of this size.
I've lived here most of my life At home The building of the Arch!

Verbatim love letter comments:
It is a city of architectural and cultural wonders. You make me feel welcome and a part of the fabric of the community. I will always wonder why Lafayette Park does not have a connection to the Greenway.
it's a wonderful place to live, to explore, to see, to learn, to be. I love that there are so many people who believe and invest in our people, community and enhance the lives of anyone who want their life enhanced...they bring value to those who live here, are considering a move or job here. I feel like the locals aren't so "hip" on their fair city, which I'm sorry, is so St. Louis on many parts. I feel like many natives want to believe they're "bigger" than St. Louis and talk it down as much as anyone...it's the transients who move here and see what we have, the value, the package. We need to keep attracting new people to our region, I'm especially happy we have people working to make that happen. I've lived many different places around the country including Canada and Germany, but I've spent the majority of my growing up and adulthood in St. Louis, while still traveling the world. I'm doing a 6 week stint in Saint Lucia, on week 6. I'm excited to get home!
It's always been my home so I feel a special affinity for StL, even with all of it's warts and issues. There's so many wonderful people who call it home and care about this city. There's lots of new development and commerce that is helping to revitalize areas of the city that desperately need it!
its home
Long time resident of Lafayette Square and support city living
Love b/c you're cheap beautiful, fun, and one of a kind. I feel happy and will remember seeing Billy Bragg at the Royal
Love b/c all the opportunities to learn about art and history for free. I feel educated and cultured. I'll remember Forest Park
Love b/c beautiful trails, park MBG, food and drink culture, music and festival, employment in biotech/pharm/ all culture. I feel so happy & will remember moving into Tower Grove South my first STL neighborhood
Love b/c good spirited people seems to be a to of initiative to improve the city. I feel inspired to participate.
Love b/c great activities (free), parks, museums, The Arch and people. I feel great and will remember the Arch
Love b/c I am form Brooklyn, NY and now I can afford my own home and don't need to make a lot of money to stay here. Would not move. I feel better when I find so many great things to do here. Free zoo, sci cter, art mus. hist mus and so munch more high quality things to do! I'll remember my college years when I first move here for college I found I easy to make friends here and easy to keep them.
Love b/c I grew up here. I feel like I can accomplish anything and will remember playing in the streets during the summer months.
Love b/c I'm so St. Louis. I feel good love, and will remember 95-2014
Love b/c it has lots to offer. I feel welcomed and at home. I'll remember this city for ever. I am proud to call this home even if I am not born here.

Verbatim love letter comments:
Love b/c it my city I love the historic neighborhoods. I feel at home when I see the Arch and I'll remember my childhood and simple time in the neighborhood.
Love b/c it's could truly be a beautiful place to live and raise children. I feel like I personally need to take a stand to make it better. I will remember growing up in downtown St. Louis. I love city life. It could be an amazing place if we cared more.
Love b/c I've met so many diverse people and learned so much through experienced in the city and across the region. I feel # STL proud! I am sad when other places focus on the negative instead of all yo offer. I'll remember meeting the team at GRG and all their amazing work on the Trailways
Love b/c lots of free activities for families. I feel at home.
Love b/c my memories. The food. The cool girls that used to reside here. I don't see them anymore. The fun I fun I use to have nothing. I will remember never say never. Never say always I just gave yall some free game.
Love b/c nice attractions and neighborhoods. I feel conflicted but I will be faithful and will remember family times
Love b/c of all the opportunities and activities that are available. Particularly because they are both affordable and quality. I feel active and engaged. I love being surrounded by nature, art and everything in between. I will remember the day I convince an out of townner how great STL is. It was a bike ride on Grant's Trail on a beautiful that ended with a free beer.
Love b/c of it's history.
Love b/c of Six Flags and Tower Grove Park and the trees.
Love b/c of the arts/music theatre offerings all around town. Keeps me engaged.!
Love b/c of the hustle of the city and the people. I feel comfortable about surviving. I'll remember 1114 Locust, red door church, Jennifer Brooks Carey Gilbert
Love b/c of the many cultural institutions that are free to the public. I'll remember how the city comes together over its sports teams
Love b/c of the river, the people, the green parks, the historic neighborhoods. I feel delighted , excited motivated and sometimes afraid. I'll remember the amazing experience of watching Lafayette Square grow and develop into a wonderful family neighborhood.
Love b/c of your combination of big city and small town. I feel kike things are close by and available to me.
Love b/c of your diversity, and how the city has free spaces/events for more accessibility to all income levels. I feel hopeful, but impatient. We have issues that we shy away from talking about. Like segregation, social justice and environmental sustainability. I will remember how little by little this city become better every year.!
Love b/c of your history, museums and the food. I feel proud to call you home. I'll remember my first meal at Pho Grand, climbing in the City museum, taking my daughter to the Zoo carousel, etc.
Love b/c of your history, rivers, blues music and Blues, Arch grounds and my family here. I love the old brick buildings and potential of the northside and road grid system. I feel proud sometimes on a bright clean morning when I see the Arch skyline and saddened occasionally

Verbatim love letter comments:
when I see divisiveness and pollution. I'll remember going to Six Flags as a child, canoeing on the Mississippi River , biking to farmer's markets and the Blues winning the Stanley Cup!!!!
Love b/c opportunities, e.g. jobs, entrepreneurs. I feel loved, wanted and will remember the Arch, Busch Stadium, Chaifetz, Centene
Love b/c reasonable cost of living for an urban environment. Our sports teams, neighborhood, and things to do. I feel proud and will remember my childhood growing up in STL.
Love b/c rich history and so many cultural attractions: museums, Botanical Gardens, Forest Park attractions and sports teams. I feel proud to be from a city with so very much to offer. I'll remember what a wonderful city you have become and raised a family in.
Love b/c see other side, I feel proud.
Love b/c so many awesome people live here, and there are always plenty to do. Moreover there is not much traffic, easy to find parking space and places to visit. I feel St. Louis is home for my family. I'll remember the people who welcomed, helped and supported me to become integrated.
Love b/c the Arch is amazing, I feel secure, and will remember the first time I went up in the Arch.
Love b/c the Blues are here! I'll remember winning the Stanley Cup
Love b/c the city is small and cozy. I feel safe and cared for.
Love b/c the downtown new landscape, architecture and Forest Park landscapes. I fell like I want to live here 25 more years and beyond. I'll remember the Gateway Arch the zoo and StL Cardinals
Love b/c the opportunities you have provided to me to expand my horizons through your museums, festivals and events. Especially since a lot of them are free and open to all. I feel hopeful, but frustrated. St. Louisans have amazing hearts and ambition. but we allow ourselves to segregate and close ourselves off from others. I'll remember the feeling I felt when I finally realized that you are home.
Love b/c the sky is blue, the air is fresh and parking is not a big issue in rural parts of STL. I feel good b/c everything is good. I'll remember the Arch.
Love b/c there are a lot of free events and activities. I feel excited to see where the future takes us. I'll remember how each neighborhood has it's unique character.
Love b/c there are a lot of great cultural things for a city of our size. I feel busy.
Love b/c there are so many free things to do. I feel at home. I'll remember my family.
Love b/c there is so much exciting places to enjoy. Museums, dining, sports and friendly people:) Remember how it was as a child-and how much you have improved-to be on of the best places in the USA
Love b/c there is so much potential here. I feel optimistic and challenged. I'll remember how big the sky is!
Love b/c there is so much to do close by. Remember living in the county and hating it. You had to drive forever to do anything.
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Verbatim love letter comments:
Love b/c there's a lot of space for growth and I love your diversity. I feel like I have to work to do and there is space for me to do at my pace. I'll remember the energy and hope you bring, b/c of the amazing people who call STL home and care.
Love b/c this is all I know right now!! I feel I should relocated and explore other parts of the world to live. I'll remember that I can always return or visit if I and my child decides to continue our lives elsewhere.
Love b/c this is my home. I feel like fighting for my rights. I'll remember the hurt shame and disappointment of leaving my home friends and childhood to be relocated to the new place that is now being threatened to be taken for the NGA
Love b/c this is where I live & breathe. I feel like I belong here. I have no desire to go anywhere else to live. I'll remember the fine St. Louis public school teachers who inspired me to achieve goals in life.
Love b/c willingness to talk about change.
Love b/c you are a great town! I love the parks, museums, zoo gardens. I love the arts and entertainment. I feel proud to be a St. Louisan (transplant) I feel the need to express concern about safety on Metro and how I intersects w/ Greenway projects.
Love b/c you are a journey like me, with ups and downs and recently improving fantastically. I feel like I'm at home even though I have transplanted here. I will remember that there's no place like home-St. Louis
Love b/c you are a small big town. East to get around, but we need more trails and paths for non motorized transportation. I feel proud. Lets go Blues!
Love b/c you are a struggling but diverse community. I feel somewhat hopeful. I'll remember Obama in St. Louis and Trump protest.
Love b/c you are affordable & have lots of free opportunities for engaging w/ art and the environment. I feel privileged to have the opportunities that I wouldn't in other cities. I'll remember spending times at The Muny, Forest Park, and by the River.
Love b/c you are creative and daring-trying new things-adventurous. I feel excited for the future. I'll remember how you care so passionately for the well being of people.
Love b/c you are my home. Through fun times and bad times you made me the person I am. I feel happy because there are so many challenges here, and citizens are looking for good leadership to lead them out of them. I will remember the interpersonal community relationships. The people in STL are helpful philanthropic and very understanding of each other's issues.
Love b/c you are really a cool place with so much potential for growth or transformation. I feel at home. I'll remember your diversity.
Love b/c you are unique and beautiful. Your history is rich and your drive for change is wonderfully intoxicating. I feel happy and sad! I'll remember the way you smile an your heartbeat.
Love b/c you can be great again. I feel glad to live in the city and I remember we once were great.
Love b/c you can go on walks and runs. I feel happy and I'll remember the Arch.

Verbatim love letter comments:
Love b/c you can go up into the Arch-(Wes age 5) You have endless possibilities and citizens who are creative and can bring innovation. I feel awesome(Elliott age8) proud, excited, challenged, hopeful! I will remember that the Arch is always here-(Elliott age8) growing up in Ferguson in the 80's the BEST childhood.
Love b/c you give people space to explore and experiment. I feel hopeful.
Love b/c you have a fantastic Zoo and Forest Park. I feel like I want to keep living here. I'll remember the penguins at the Zoo.
Love b/c you have a lot of diverse neighborhoods and cool brick buildings. I like most of your restaurants and bars. I like the commercial development going on. I feel segregated-confused sad that city and county gov't haven't merged. I'll remember positive feeling of seeing the Arch, Busch Stadium and other iconic landmarks when I approach the city by car or on bike.
Love b/c you have a lot to offer. I feel hopeful, and will remember the old baseball stadium.
Love b/c you have kind people and vast potential. I feel excited for the future. I'll remember the unique restaurants and activities where I made great memories.
Love b/c you have so many eclectic pockets of interests- of food, art and history. I love discovering new parts I've never seen before. I feel like I need to prove to my non-St. Louis friends and family that this place doesn't suck. I'll remember the tower grove farmers market, Chinatown in U city, South Grand, the Arch grounds and City Garden
Love b/c you have so many different neighborhoods. You provide so many different cultural experiences. I feel at home. Excited. Comfortable. Adventurous. I will remember so many things! So many life moments @SLU and under the Arch.
Love b/c you have the most amazing food of any city I've visited. Asian, Italian, American, Mediterranean etc. The BEST. I feel like there is so much possibility and opportunity to be had for our city. I'll remember exploring new neighborhoods with close friends and adventuring out of our comfort zones.
Love b/c you have tons of character. Lots of things to do, activities/festivals, Love Forest Park!! I feel excited to have recently moved here. Confident that we made the right choice to move. I'll remember winning the Stanly Cup!
Love b/c you inspire and challenge me everyday;and my family is here. I feel like I'm home. I'll remember the adventures and exploring the weeping willow at TG park, watching the river under the Arch, and downtown library.
Love b/c you keep trying! I've lived through you many iterations and although it hasn't always worked out, your beautiful architecture and "can do" attitude keeps attracting a new generation of youth. I feel good when you save the old architecture. Good when you embrace eco-friendly practices. Good when keep museums/zoo free. I'll remember growing up in the wonderful Skinker-Debalvier neighborhood in the 70's. the Strauss redevelopment project of the CWE/West end. Love the 4th of July festivals at the Arch.
Love b/c you look so bad on the outside, but you are amazing, humble and lovely on the inside. I feel hopeful. I'll remember when I fell for the "city"
Love b/c you make me feel welcome. My neighborhood is awesome and diverse and walkable. I feel welcome and will remember how easy it was to fall in love with you .

Verbatim love letter comments:
Love b/c you offer beautiful public, free spaces like the Zoo, Science center, Art museum Shakespeare's, Forest Park among other great parks. I feel like a valuable member of a close knit community, you make me feel like I matter w/ the civic organizations and gatherings, which promote opportunity to participate and make a difference in our community. I'll remember great community events like Fair St. Louis, Venture Cafe
Love b/c you offer lots of wonderful cultural opportunities, the art museum the MUNY etc. Great food restaurants. I feel ashamed at the level of continued segregation still present in neighborhood, housing, schools today held up by institutions and inequity and racism .
Love b/c you pick me to have a fabulous life in your house. I feel like a queen b/c I pick and choose here and there's so much to choose from Z to A! I'll remember taking my son to Tower Grove park to feed the birds our favorite free thing to do.
Love b/c you support the Greenways, bike lanes, Forest Park. I feel happy when I see people using the paths and parks. I'll remember Forest Park fondly-as well as Grant's Trail
Love b/c your architecture is amazing. You offer so many free cultural activities for families. The Contemporary Art Museum, Zoo Pulitzer and St. Louis Public library are amazing. I feel conflicted-I love your beauty I hate your racism, sexism and backwards ways. I'll remember the beauty of our neighborhood parks. Forest Pk, Benton Park. Lafayette Park and Tower Grove.
Love b/c your my home. I feel warm and will remember that we have been getting better as a community. The younger generation will move it forward.
Love b/c your parks, your people, your city spirit, your restaurants, your beer. I feel proud to live in this city. I'll remember the 2019 Stanley Cup Champion Blues!!
Love b/c your rich culture and togetherness. I feel amazing. I'll remember St Louis as my second American home.
Love b/c you're diverse & I'm free to do and be whatever I want. I can walk around with alcohol in my grass and it's okay. And your trees! You're beautiful, keep your red bricks.
Love b/c you're historic and you have four seasons. I fell happy to see people starting to say good things about the City. I'll remember growing up on the 6100 block of Kingsbury! so many kids! Almost every house had a big Catholic family in the 60's & 70's
Love b/c you're historical, I feel in danger and will remember the racism.
Love b/c you're my hometown. The setting for so many memories, a diverse population, and the best sports town in the US! I feel proud to be a Midwesterner. I'll remember the cardinals games @Busch Stadium, feeling the arena share at Blues games an hundreds of days at the Arch!
Love b/c you're the nations' best kept secret. I feel lucky to have you and I'll remember our small town/big city feel
Love because I was born here! and I hope that one day the city will be one with the idiots in the county. I feel optimistic that things will change for the better with both the city and county are one! I'll remember growing up here in the county when riding my bike to the barber and being called the N Word all the way.
Love the accessibility. I feel unique, powerful and will remember coming here in my mid twenties.

Verbatim love letter comments:
Love the arts & free stuff to do. Love Forest Park, need bicycle paths that are free fo cars!
Loves: Affordable, generous, amazing neighborhoods, great communities, real, diverse, quirky, Forest Park
My family has lived here since the 1800s and I feel extremely connected to the place / at home / St. Louis's unique local culture
My family history here.
My family is here, it's the happiest city in America (USA Today 12/5/2013), people are friendly and happy, it's a great place to raise a family, it's a generous place - high on per capita giving, with many free activities - zoo, science center, parks; there are great libraries, schools and universities; it's affordable, it's bike friendly and park friendly, to name a few reasons.
My hometown and some of the best architecture in the country. Green spaces and parks, where they are maintained, are wonderful places to visit.
My roots are here and my family has been here for generations. The grit, authenticity, perseverance, and uniqueness of the city continue to inspire while feeling like home.
Neighborhoods with identity such as The Hill, The Grove. I like revitalizing areas such as Cherokee and South Grand. I love that you welcome immigrants and refugees. I love the natural areas in Forest Park and Citygarden downtown. I love the new native planting approach in O'Fallon Park and hope that is the start of a trend for public spaces.
No other city in the area has the draw to it like St. Louis
Not sure how to answer this
of all of the wonderful things we have here in St. Louis. I have lived all over the world and St. Louis is where I come back to.
of the marvelous bike trails and the civic institutions which have free admission.
Of your authenticity. Keep chain stores, homogeneity out and local and unique businesses in.
Of your diversity and outdoor opportunities. Alive and energized. The runs, the hikes, the sporting events, and the friendly environment.
Of your rich Architerctural neighborhoods, parks and cultural heritage.
part of my lifelong community.
Picnics at Art Hill, meetings at Boat House. View of Parks from Hospitals. Running the Airedales in Tower Grove.
Saint Louis, we have so much potential for greatness! There is so much history, but we cannot continuously look back if we want to have a brighter future.
So much hospitality. Can be easy and friendly place for all. Will always remember weekly family outings to St. Louis attractions. So much to do if you get out.
Sometimes you make me feel like I'm in an abusive relationship; one minute I feel LOVED, and the next minute I feel DESPISED. All I've ever wanted to do was love you and make you RISE.
St. Louis has a compelling history and so much potential. I want my hopes for the City to be realized. I can't help but believe in its future as a place of opportunity and beauty.
St. Louis has beautiful, affordable housing stock in the city and many lovely cultural attractions.

Verbatim love letter comments:
St. Louis is a city of diverse neighborhoods, gorgeous homes and parks, world class cultural institutions from the symphony to the zoo to the botanical gardens to the visual and performing arts. St. Louis has an edge and authenticity that produces world class artists, major companies, scientific breakthroughs and leaders. St Louis is real and beautiful and messy and home.
St. Louis is a great, old city undervalued by the outside world, with big-city amenities at small town prices and a small town pace. Plus for bicyclists it's relatively flat and riddled with picturesque side streets that make for excellent biking.
that I am unique
That there is something new to explore.
The # of cultural Greenspaces sports entertainment free or with-in reach opportunities. Like I am part of a bigger picture. Growing up on city streets and seeing neighbors watching children play from their front porches. You're Home
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The arch
The beautiful arch.
the Blues winning the Stanley Cup in 2019
The good times
The neighborhoods
The sense of community and embracing the outdoors
The varied and diverse cultures and love of the region
The way you celebrate life!
the weather, overall, is fantastic, the gap between the southside and the northside makes me stand up for social change, and I will always remember how I felt as a ten year old going to Fairground Park swimming pool.
there a many terrific small communities of people passionate about what they do. In the context of this survey I am specifically talking about the cycling community
There are so many wonderful, individual neighborhoods that are unique unto themselves.
There is tremendous potential here, the neighborhoods and infrastructure in our city would be the envy of any of the top growing cities in the country right now. Real Saint Louisans know this and support the entire region.
There's a lot to do here! Happy. The red brick homes.
This is a great city. The waters of the country come here to meet before flowing out to the Gulf of Mexico. We are a true melting pot. The COL here is fantastic. The variety of art, recreation and culture that is accessible to all is breathtaking. It will be fantastic to be able to more easily and safely bike to all points of the city.
This is home. Unsafe at times. The Zoo and the Science Center.
This is my home town and I want great things for all people who live her and safety.
This is the home that I know and love because my family is here and we get to do so many things in St. Louis. The sights are first class and the people are friendly.

Verbatim love letter comments:
We are aspirational, we offer goodwill and we always seek to better ourselves
We have so many parks, libraries, other cultural amenities, educational institutions, types of restaurants, free art gallery, MO Bot. Still good journalism, St Louis radio, local TV and many local music groups. Some groups working on social programs and social problems. Some effort to accept each other despite racial or religious differences. A few groups working on bringing fresh/good food into lives where fresh food has been inaccessible. A few groups working on ways to improve sustainable living at community level.
we're small enough that one person can make a huge impact, and we're big enough that there are endless opportunities you make me feel consistently proud, proud to be from here, proud to live here I will always remember the games we've won and lost, my family who has been here since the beginning, and the impact you've made on my life
while we are diverse and welcome newcomers from all over the world, we take pride in history, sports teams, accomplishments, livability throughout our City.
you are a place where people work together and can live affordably surrounded by great architecture.
you are a small town in big city guise with a huge history and a major role in the advancement of American values. You make me feel welcome, creative, and relaxed with many healthy things to do.
You are an easy city to have a nice enjoyable life in. Great parks, restaurants, arts that are all easily accessible without a lot of crowds
You are basically flat, making exploring this city on foot or on bike easy. You make me feel strong yet like a kid, while riding my bike. I will always remember running and biking this town.
You are better than you seem. Proud to be here. the hustle
You are diverse. Glad to live here. Walking in Forest Park.
You are home, and I love that you always will be. When people let their guards down and deal with one another one on one, they are almost always kind to one another.
You are inexpensive and accessible with so many wonderful parks.
you are my home proud of your contribution to the world your beautiful neighborhoods
You are my home. Comfortable. My trips to The Fox with my family.
You are quirky and local and alive Like I belong somewhere the trees, the blue skies, and the smiles
you are so interesting for such a small city. hopeful for the future. living in the city during a St. Louis Renaissance.
You have a rich history of architecture, people and events.
You have amazing free attractions
You have grown me, educated me, and made me the person I am today. You make me feel like part of the community. I will always remember my first year working downtown (1977) and amazed at the adventure set before me.
You have many unique neighborhoods each with their own character.
You have so many free things to do! Like I'm a member of a family. Getting married here!
you have so much potential!

Verbatim love letter comments:
you have wonderful places to visit: indoor, such as the symphony and museums; and outdoor, the rivers, lakes, public gardens, parks and trails
you made me feel welcome when I first moved here. I'm continually impressed with the cultural opportunities offered here, most of which are free (!), and your beautiful parks.
You make me feel enveloped in a friendly embrace. I will always remember Cardinals games as a kid, watching Lou Brock steal bases, Willie McGee shuffling into center field, Ozzie Smith backflipping to shortstop.
You make me feel excited to be a part of a growing neighborhood and changing city.
You make me feel grounded and surrounded by community. I appreciate your affordability because that gives the amazing artists and musicians of the city the capacity to pursue their creative endeavors.
You make me feel impatient for the future. The Chouteau Greenway, River Des Peres Greenway extension from Slay Park to Forest Park, and Zoo Expansion are all projects I can't wait to experience.
You make me feel like riding my bike to work at BJC from Wash Ave downtown. A greenway between the Arch and Forest Park would be fantastic for my commute.
You make me feel lucky to have access to all the culture, nature, diversity, history of Forest Park.
You make me feel the full range of emotions. Joy and sadness at seeing it's people and places both broken and resilient.
-you offer great, free activities -a little sad because you have potential to be much better - the feeling of community
You offer so many opportunities. You give me a home, friends, work and play. I love that I am able to walk to the places I love. I will always remember the great places within the city. MoBot Gardern, Tower Grove Park, the Zoo, Forest Park, Art Museum and so much more.
You provide a loving and supporting community included and at home When you welcomed us even when we didn't welcome you.
You were always the "Queen / Big City" to me when I lived in a rural MO community and now that you have been my home for 20 years, I adore you. Just wish you weren't so hot and cold. Oh the relationship. <3
You're a stealth city with hidden gems all over.
You're home Proud The balloon glow
Your diverse enough to always have interesting things to do
Your people are so friendly You make me feel happy and relaxed
Your unique architecture and great neighborhoods
Your vibrant and distinct neighborhoods. Your red brick architecture. Your proud and kind people.
You're a little big city with everything I want to do and without the traffic
you're home
You're the biggest small town in the US. You always make me feel at home and part of the community. I remember the great parks, wonderful seasons and where I grew up.

Appendix K

Break-Up Letter

Dear St. Louis:

We need to talk. I'm so tired of _____

You make me feel _____

I wish I could forget _____

Yours No Longer,

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Appendix L

Verbatim Break-Up Letter Comments

Verbatim break-up letter comments:
... media and locals unfairly portraying us as a racist backwater when we are at a minimum no worse than anyone else ... many radical extremists in the community have made it seem like the enforcement of basic laws is a bad thing, ignoring the extreme negative downstream effects of the resulting lawlessness ... the new culture of being anti-police, erecting celebratory monuments for violent criminals, deceiving little children on what path should be taken in order become a successful and contributing person
... people leaving for the suburbs and the socio-economic divide that it created
...so tired of the Delmar border...
...STL people who refuse to acknowledge the need for structural change to energize our region.
...the violence!!! Stop shooting, robbing, carjacking, murder, raping one another!
...the white flight to the suburbs, draining the city of business, jobs, and a tax base, along with it funding for schools and public services, naturally leading to neighborhoods where the only thing that thrives is crime. ...the "urban renewal" projects that saw people displaced en masse, that saw thousands of beautiful buildings demolished, that saw walkable urban neighborhoods cleared in favor of highways, parking lots, and a handful of high-rises. ...the lost potential of a great American metropolis.
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..forget gun violence in the city.
About the crime. Is a small part of St.louis
All of the vacant and blighted properties. They were clearly once so beautiful. Now they create environments that i'm sure can feel oppressive and difficult to break out of.
As a lifelong resident I have become weary of the hidden racism. It is especially frustrating because on many levels we do get along as a community . We also seem to always look at our future through the lens of the past 1904 to be specific. We need to embrace or rich history and unique neighborhoods, but the future won't come by imagining it as a past that no longer is possible.
As a political independent I'm discouraged by the one-party rule here, which is always a ticket to corruption, complacency, mediocrity, and one-sided group-think. While each major political party has its glaring shortcomings, I think that the worst aspect of the Democratic Party (our single party at the helm here) at this time is the fact that it has chosen to cater to "minorities" and "underprivileged" in a way that puts the party in a bind. If ever these groups actually succeed, then the Democratic Party will lose its voter base, so structurally it becomes necessary to promulgate policies that keep these groups subservient, dependent, beholden,

Verbatim break-up letter comments:
inflamed and always looking to Big Government as shaped by Democrats to rescue them. In other words, the ideal minority voter for the Democratic Party has been rendered helpless and infantilized and always looking to blame his/her plight on some external ogre. The high crime in St. Louis, as attested by the head of the Boys and Girls Club, is mostly a result of the fact that boys raised without fathers are 15 to 20 times more likely to commit violent crimes, and the fact that so many boys are indeed raised without fathers is because of swaddling subsidies that either deprive households of the need of a male breadwinner or actually penalize them (by denying mothers welfare if a father is present) if they do. The police force has been unfairly burdened by having, in effect, to act in loco parentis for all the wild boys, running around like pack animals in their gangs and shooting people left and right almost as if for sport. But will Democrats ever reconsider the policies that are literally breeding crime in our city? No way. They'll point a finger at racism or some other bogeyman, keep the policies of dependency in place, and keep the votes pouring in.
As kind as people are on an individual level, I think sometimes the St. Louis can be blind to cruelties on a systematic level.
Beibg able to go south to north in the city, is very hard
Blighted areas. Unsafe sometimes That our crime rate is unacceptable.
City vs. County
Crime
Crime being the first thing that comes to mind when outsiders think of St. Louis / Obligated to always make excuses for your shortcomings / That St. Louis has been a city in decline for the past 75 years
Crime statistics Excited when cool happenings occur The Ferguson riot or any segregation issue
Crime. Inequality and inequity in our community. Entrenched racism.
Dear St. Louis, We need to talk, I'm so tired of all the single-use plastic we still use :(
Dear St. Louis, We need to talk. I'm so tired of... the racial inequities that are upheld and perpetuated by the status quo You make me feel... frustrated and enraged I wish I could forget...
Decisions being made and omitting the North side of St. Louis. Particularly the 21st Ward. The Greenway should include O'Fallon Park. How did that happen that it stopped at Fairgrounds?
Disjointed communities
Driving everywhere Outdated The time my car was shot outside my home
facing discrimination, for instance, the water company historically, did not put water meters in housing units thus my water bill is based on number of rooms, water closets...so even though I am the only one living in the home where two beautiful daughters were raised, and one husband was divorced, my water bill and Sewer Bill continue to go up.
False Perception of Crime and Danger
Feeling like I'll get run over on my bike. Hopeful for the future. All the old buildings that were torn down.

Verbatim break-up letter comments:
Forget?? Ferguson. Racist comments on every news story on stltoday make me furious. How do we fix metro-link? How do we offer hand up to change neighborhoods. Divisiveness with city & County is disgusting. I travel the Midwest and no other city let's petty fiefdoms get in the way of promoting the metro area.
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Hearing about shooting and crime in my city and especially of young people. We need more jobs, more programs for shelter, health care and fresh, healthy diets for young people especially of minority groups. Need police who are trained to use modern tools not just guns and are trained to accept all people and are not racist. We need police who are trained to do community contacts and trained to do crowd control when necessary. We need St Louis city to improve the neighborhoods by taking responsibility for the empty buildings or dangerous buildings in the city. Our St Louis city and St Louis county lifestyles are too dependent on cars so need more public transportation and connected greenways.
Hearing how bad crime is downtown. I live here and get very angry every time I hear how terrible it is.
Hot days.
How lacking in vision and competence your leadership is
how parking and over-scale streets carve up neighborhoods and make non-car transportation hard.
How we think small, we need to compete with Chicago, Denver and Portland. No matter what political position someone takes, it is not a matter of debate, the city county divide is destroying the region. We need to stop competing with ourselves and start competing with these other cities.
how you treat bicyclists; the amount of driving you require
I am so tired of the crime and homeless panhandlers that are in the city. You make me feel uncomfortable whenever a stranger approaches me on the street or on the Metrolink. I wish I could forget all of the empty buildings downtown.
I am so tired of the crime.
I am so tired of this heat. You make me so tired from trying to do so much. I wish I could forget how hot and humid it gets.
I am so worried about shootings and other violence in St. Louis. I've been enjoying trying some of the bike trails on the North Side, hoping to find that my concerns about violence are unfounded- if only there was less aggression in the news.
I am tired of seeing cars everywhere, I wish we had a safer infrastructure for walking and biking ON CITY STREETS.
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I AM TIRED OF THE RESISTANCE TO CHANGE IN ATTITUDE BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. YOU MAKE ME FEEL UNDER SERVED. I WISH I COULD FORGET THE MANY DEPARTMENT AND COURT FAILURES TO PROVIDE DUE PROCESS AND EQUAL PROTECTION AND FAILED POLICIES.
I deplore the pervasive institutionalized racism that stubbornly endures here in St. Louis and all the attendant ills that flow from this racism (including problems related to housing,

Verbatim break-up letter comments:

schools, crime, joblessness, and transportation), and I deplore the metro area's long-standing resistance to combining the City and St. Louis County into one strong metropolis with the statistics and potential that this area deserves.

I struggle with a lot of the predispositions that seem to exist between the city and county and the north and south. As an outsider moving into the area I came with a blank slate, and frankly, this area is a lot stronger together than squabbling over how our neighbors might hurt us. When people come together they seem to overcome this, but when cloistered to their respective communities sometimes it seems like this local-bias emerges.

I want St. Louis to be more integrated, especially where schools are concerned.

I wish I could forget the sense of shame that seems more prevalent in St. Louis than a sense of community pride. What can we do to eradicate that negative feeling?

I wish I could forget the times I have almost been hit by a car while riding my bike on city streets. Bike lanes separated by a strip of paint on asphalt from automobiles are not as good as fully separate greenway.

I wish I could skip January and February weather.

I wish people would focus more on the good and opportunity for more progress.

I wish we felt safer in our city of St. Louis neighborhoods. A greater police presence would be welcome, perhaps on bicycles, as other cities do.

I wish we had a more prominent downtown and a better way to connect all of our great neighborhoods.

I wish we really addressed crime. And not just the act but, the root cause. The decades of injustice to people of color. The decades of inattention to areas populated primarily by people of color. The lack of quality and safe schools. The I'd love to be able to visit my old neighborhoods (Hyde Park) and not feel I have to watch every single move around me. There are a lot of needs and limited funds. Instead of paying for improvements for the Blues hockey team, pay for improvements to the citizens of this city. Make this the shining start of the Midwest...not just lip service but, real change.

I'm so tired of a lack of continued investment in *public* spaces and infrastructure. You make me feel gaslit. People asking for the most basic of amenities and representation from their city government are continually ignored.

I'm so tired of not having a great place for walking/running/biking/etc closer to my house than Forest Park.

I'm so tired of systemic racism, and locals talking poorly about our city

I'm so tired of the divisions and the racial any quality and the stereotypes people in the county have about you.

I'm so tired of the racial divide, the history of hate, and the exclusivity that has been touted. This city is rich because of its diversity...let's bridge and heal those wounds.

I'm so tired of the shootings and violence that go on around me. It seems like they happen every single day. You make me feel scared to leave my house some days. I can hear gunshots and get reports of shootings way too close to home. I wish I could forget the time a friend was held at gunpoint right in front of his own home.

Verbatim break-up letter comments:

I'm tired of segregation and regional disfunction. They're really the same thing. Too many municipalities, too many nimbys, too many people (not just politicians) thinking small. Which really means they don't want to hear about the problems of "others" and don't want to be part of a solution. Lots of ignorance on these issues out there. I want vibrant neighborhoods that welcome all people and that everyone has pride in. Everyone wants to take pride in where they're from.

I'm beyond fed up with your racism.

I'm so tiered of so many cool areas that don't feel safe, I'm tired of difficulties in making any transportation but car work, I'm tired of competitiveness and people coming to the table with anything but a desire to make things better for everyone and increase collaboration.

I'm so tired of ... all the self-doubt and self-loathing. OK, so we're not Chicago. The World's Fair was over 100 years ago. Get over it already, and move into the future.

I'm so tired of all the vacant real estate in both the City and St. Louis County (shall I add the river towns of Metro East?). We have room from "growth" that, to the degree we get net regional growth, seems to go too much to the distant suburbs. You need to get your act together to attract that growth--and more--into our already-developed, but underutilized, neighborhoods and commercial corridors.

I'm so tired of cars ruling the streets. I feel like you prioritize cars to the detriment of people on foot and on bicycle. I wish you were less racially segregated and that I could meet random people different from me in a safe public place. I moved here by choice and I love how affordable it is to live here and the cultural amenities you provide, but you're too dependant on the gas guzzling automobile and I don't know if I can stay if you don't make some big changes. Please let me live in a city that is designed for people, not for cars.

I'm so tired of city/county split you make me feel like i'm home I wish I could forget the Ferguson stuff

I'm so tired of hearing about random shootings.

I'm so tired of negative St. Louisans. Much like people say about Texas, I think the biggest problem with STL is the people. We are elitist about our cultural institutions and yet reluctant to change, leading us to become a "once-great" city rather than a city that could capitalize on its potential. It is an amazing time to live in STL and in the Midwest, it would just be great if we were better advocates for ourselves.

I'm so tired of only caring about wealthier and white residents.

I'm so tired of people who live in the county responding, after they've asked where I live, "You live in the CITY? OMG, aren't you afraid of all the crime?" and I know what they mean is "Aren't you afraid to live that close to people who are a different color than you?!" Sigh. The role of alcohol and other drugs in the culture of my hometown makes me feel sad and scared. I wish I could forget how little this car-obsessed city is doing to address climate change and the impacts it is having and will have on all life on Earth.

I'm so tired of pretending our problems don't exist and the not-so-casual racism and class-ism. You make me feel so frustrated because I know how good the people of St. Louis can be but our deep biases hold us back. I wish I could forget and take back the urban renewal of

Verbatim break-up letter comments:
the 20th century. We destroyed (and continue to destroy) our beautiful built environment and diverse neighborhoods - usually at the expense of our most vulnerable populations.
I'm so tired of seeing streets infested with cars instead of people.
I'm so tired of the bureaucracy involved in accomplishing things, as well as the general auto-centric mindset towards transportation
I'm so tired of the chaos. Too many aggressions in all the wrong forms: violence, vandalism, rage. I don't enjoy riding my bike in the city anymore.
I'm so tired of the City vs County attitude. I live in the county and work in the city and I am truly amazed at the number of people that are convinced if they even step foot in the city they'll be a victim of some crime. I am a HUGE believer that, at the very least, the City needs to drop "county status", annex adjacent portions of the unincorporated county, and then have a freeholders meeting to consolidate much of the county. I'm very tired of the economic us and them happening locally. I don't wish to forget anything with being a St. Louisian. Lord knows, I wish any number of issues had not happened here (slavery, near extermination of natives, Jim Crow), but all of these things are important to "us" and are conversations that need to be held just as much as our strengths.
I'm so tired of the crime and city government drama. St. Louis is a billion dollars in debt and no one seems to be interested in creating solutions.
I'm so tired of the crime and divisions of the City. You make me feel uncomfortable when driving through or visiting certain areas. I wish I could forget the business flight from downtown to Clayton and points West.
I'm so tired of the neglect found in areas that used to be prosperous.
I'm so tired of the racism, both culturally and institutionalized, that has shaped and continued to plague our city. And I'm discouraged by our inability to get our act together, specifically regarding the education system and our children... and of course, crime.
I'm so tired of the racism. It is holding us back from our full potential as a community
I'm so tired of the very real segregation that we have created. I'm also tired of feeling like driving a car is often the safest option, because when I take my bike I actually feel more connected to people and happier to be a St. Louisian.
I'm so tired of the violence. Of being harassed, feeling unsafe when I'm out walking. You make me feel hopeless, like I wish I'd bought a home in Illinois, instead of here. I wish I could forget that my best friend's husband was murdered outside their home on Cherokee, and that the murderers are still roaming the streets, zero consequences, that I've had a gun stuck in my own face in my own backyard. And no one brought to justice.
I'm so tired of this city settling. We deserve better than "nice" -- we deserve some cool-ass shit! And everyone in this city deserves better, not just south city and the central corridor. We need to partner and invest *more* heavily in the people and communities that have been ignored.
I'm so tired of... our self-defeatist attitudes. We don't believe we can, so we don't. You make me feel... like a self-hating-st.louisian. We hire outside of this city and don't capitalize on the amazing talents we hold. We cannot see our own capacity for the lens of something shiny. I wish I could forget... the many times we have tried and failed.

Verbatim break-up letter comments:

I'm tired of the poor St. Louis attitude of people who live here. There is crime in every town. Sadly worse here than elsewhere. I feel good when I hear positive things and thoughts about our town and I want visitors to feel good about our town. I would like to forget the racists and the few times there was a crime committed against me &/or my neighbors and friends

I'm tired of city planning that emphasizes the car. I'm tired of thinking that paint constitutes safe and accessible bike infrastructure. I'm tired of the attitude that a 2 block bike lane that doesn't connect to anything and is ignored by aggressive drivers is seen as progress. If you want this to be a vibrant city, full of pedestrians, bikes, and improved safety, then you need to make it more convenient for all modes of transport, not just cars.

I'm tired of feeling unsafe riding my bike or walking. I ride my bike to work at City Hall and every day could be my last. I love being outdoors and believe that active transportation and green infrastructure are a huge part of realizing a bright future for the City, but I wonder how many people have to suffer through heat waves at unshaded bus stops, be victims of traffic violence, and have their opportunities curtailed not just by biases but by the exclusionary, isolating transportation infrastructure that so dominates our urban fabric. I want to feel like I matter as a person when I'm not in a car. I want people who drive to see that there are better, healthier options for them, and those who use them are making a valid, respectable choice. I want people who almost hit me to recognize why I'm upset and that they have a responsibility to drive safely. I don't want to feel that I have to justify my existence and value when walking or biking by explaining that, 'yes, I do have a job, and I served my country, and I have a master's degree'. I hate that I feel a responsibility to look 'normal' and 'respectable' when on a bike, so people might see me as more deserving of space and safety. That should be completely irrelevant to my basic rights and humanity. I hate feeling like I have to plan for when I'm killed by a car and how my death will be characterized. I want our government to recognize that holding onto the ways of the past fifty years holds us back as a city and will stand in the way of environmental, social, and economic growth and harmony.

I'm tired of hearing about the Delmar Divide and how "dangerous" it is to be north of Delmar. Why do we hold onto our racist history by refusing to move north?

I'm tired of how divided we are. You make me feel like I can't get ahead and that I'm stagnating because I choose to stay here. I wish I could forget the crime.

I'm tired of our petty neighborhood fights. You make me feel sad because of our segregation. I wish I could forget the summer of 2014.

I'm tired of some places being left to crumble while others (often within blocks) are blocked off and maintained. All neighborhoods should benefit from consistent attention to safety, infrastructure upkeep, cleanliness, etc

I'm tired of the racism, you make me feel discouraged when we lose big companies and when downtown feels empty

I'm tired of the World's Fair talk. We need to address the Delmar Divide.

I'm so tired of the inequality and segregation. You make me feel despondent. I wish I could forget Ferguson.

It breaks my heart to see you struggle with race and to be unwilling to confront ugly truths of segregation, separation, and racism. It is profoundly disappointing to see that you cannot

Verbatim break-up letter comments:
move beyond these issues and acknowledge the contribution of all your people. It saddens me to my core to see your unlimited potential strangled by parochial divisions and lack of understanding of our amazing history and possibilities, and to time and again turn to cheap, small minded development while bulldozing your built history, the legacy of our forefathers and mothers. Until you know yourself, you will never reach that incredible potential to be what Pierre Laclede saw over 250 years ago.
It feels like this region is still living and fighting in the Civil War.
I've lived here for 40 years, waiting for the city to turn a corner into a renaissance. Still here, and work for change, but it's a long long process.
Lack of grass roots efforts for people Like I wish a few things could most faster n/a
Lack of progress, property tax on residents, tax credits and abatement for corporations and a lack of forward thinking.
Lack of trees along streets, especially in north St. Louis. Some boulevards like Market St. west of Tucker are just too wide and could benefit from dedicated bike lanes and tree'd medians.
Lack of vision by city government and lack of cooperation in implementing the vision. I wish I could forget the divides that separate our community.
litter, non-resilient community development
Litter
Love b/c seeing a few people struggling to find homes to live. I hope they have good sources to find accommodation. I feel comfortable and wish to forget division between people's diversity in same areas.
Love b/c you have great local restaurant scenery of city pride despite the shortcomings. I feel hopeful for a better STL where everyone can thrive and have opportunities. I'll remember the wonderful feeling I had as a child growing up in STL when we rode our bikes to Forest Park.
My husband and I traveled the Metro and were panhandled three times in 1 round trip. I hope this project will promote a strong crack down on the safety of travel on the Metro and the areas surrounding.
not having easy contact with other areas of my city unless by car. I want to bike, walk and maybe even skate to other areas to connect me in Lafayette Square, to other neat areas around me.
Our whining about not being good enough, we are very self critical. We are often divisive between race and governmental entities and we are not equitable in our approach. We also tend to live in the past looking to 1904 as our best time, we need to be more forward thinking and give up on the past
outsiders not realizing how wonderful you are, despite the numerous issues that exist. I REALLY hate your roads, though. UGH!!
Parochialism, stereotyping, self-deprecation, risk-averse, fearful, skeptical, insular.
people disparaging the city.
people who think provincially instead of regionally
Petty crime

Verbatim break-up letter comments:
Quite focusing on how far we've fallen. Think of the city in terms of modest long term growth and how investments like this can influence it.
Race-baiting divisions Hopeful Ferguson & Vonderitt Myers, Jr
Racial divisiveness, educational inequity, and access to healthcare
Racial inequality. Being felt like I live on the wrong side of the tracks. Being made feel like I am part of the problem when I work at helping form a solution. Like we(StLouis) can never be good enough.
Racial inequality. Being felt like I live on the wrong side of the tracks. Being made feel like I am part of the problem when I work at helping form a solution. Like we(StLouis) can never be good enough.
Racism
Racism - explicit and implicit. We need to embrace our city and all if it's residents - poor - rich - black - white - homegrown and newly arrived.
reading about people, especially kids, being shot and killed. You make me feel depressed when I hear people in the county who will defend their turf from any idea of regional consolidation. I wish I could forget the conclusions drawn from crime statistics that are skewed by city political boundaries.
Regional dysfunction and sprawl
Saint Louis, we desperately need racial reconciliation and equality without being antagonistic and violent towards those we disagree.
-separation/segregation/inequality -like the leadership is out of touch -the violence and fear silos and roadblocks and intentional chaos like I'm banging my head against a wall that even though we know we have so many problems, instead of really working on them, we keep our walls up and refuse to think bigger or outside the box.
So much of our architectural history is lost. We have many racial issues to be addressed.
So tired if the lack of safety and slow police response.
So tired of a city (and broader metro area) that almost demands car usage to get around. So tired of a city with nearly no bike infrastructure. (Tiny bike lanes, within the "door zone" don't help!)
So tired of the crime
Sometimes we have an inability or reluctance to turn the page and leave the Past in the past. We must be brave to face the challenges of career transitions, alternative energy, and responsible transportation methods.
Somewhat unsafe, crime everywhere.
Soooooo tired of this city's segregation & racial issues.
Systemic racism and inter-generational poverty in North St. Louis. It seems as though BLIGHT is baked-in to the Cardinal's-cherry pie, the gooey butter cheesecake, the toasted ravioli and the provel cheese.
The crime Frustration The division
the crime and the lack of leadership.
The crime. So tired of the crime. Which means I'm also tired of the institutionalized poverty and racism

Verbatim break-up letter comments:
The division & crime
The divisions, racial and economic, that keep us apart.
the gun violence sad because I know we could do better Michael Brown
the lack of downtown investment. slighted, while our city fights with one another I watch other cities grow. the amount of self loathing the people of St. Louis have for themselves and their city.
The lack of police presence and the lack of cracking down on the little things (broken window theory). This type of leniency leads to the bigger crime issues we are facing. Unregistered cars, expired plates, lack of insurance, speeding, running stop signs and traffic lights...all leads to a lawless unsafe feeling even for those of us who live in and love the city.
The nuisance crime is a real downer.
The political divisions, both North, South, City, County
The race-baiting and forced bias. I am tired of everything being us vs. them, no matter it be city/county, white/black, immigrant/local, cops/citizens, this divisiveness needs to stop. I wish I could forget the way that people like spread hate to achieve their ends instead of using love to unite.
The racial divisions and disparities, the segregation, the poverty, the abandonment of some parts of town, the bulldozer mentality (i.e. this trail will be going by a lot of bulldozed or abandoned neighborhoods like Mill Creek, Vandventer place, etc), the autocratic culture, the entrenched city bureaucracy, how petty our politics often are, how often things are decided in a top-down fashion and presented to the public without engagement, how isolated some neighborhoods are, the inconsistency of public transit
The racism and segregation Sad and backwards and embarrassed Nothing. We have to remember the bad to make progress!
The racism! It sickens me. I hear it from contractors all the time. I'm glad we are addressing racial equity and equitable economic development.
The racism.
The regulations that hamper development and innovation
The seemingly intractable problems surrounding racism, education, vacant houses
The segregation of communities Frustrated That Jim crow is the reasons our city isn't the most it could be
The senseless violence and neglected, run down parts of the city. And lack of easy access public transportation in south city. If i took a bus to work it would take me easily 1.5-2 hours when it's just a 10 minute drive to downtown.
The separation of peoples and amenities
the shameful killing in my city. We need more love and less hate.
The systemic racism is abhorrent.
Timid thinking about policing and renovation of the most neglected parts of the city, racism and separation, decrepitude of certain areas in city, absentee owners of properties who destroy neighborhoods by holding and neglecting the properties, inadequate cleaning and trash services, streets in disrepair, some incompetent or lazy aldermen (really? So many money lenders on Kingshighway/Chippewa?), etc.

Verbatim break-up letter comments:
Tired of air pollution, I feel suffocated, I would forget the high crime rate.
Tired of all the shootings. We need to do better understanding each other and get along.
Tired of always being in the news for the worst publicity. I feel sad and won't forget all the crime.
Tired of bad press and people bragging about how cheap it is to live here being the reason they stay. I'll never forget the Ferguson riots and the deep racial divides we have.
Tired of bad press on our city. I fell like our community does not care.
Tired of bad roads and neglected buildings
Tired of being divided. Too many fiefdoms. We are divided racially, educationally, socially, etc. Under performing school system in the city. I feel tired and overwhelmed. Want to forget that we try so hard and seem to get nowhere. That we are continuously berated for our homicide rate. I'm not leaving anytime soon.
Tired of being separated from the Central West End and South side. ONE ST. LOUIS. I feel like I don't belong in this city. I'll forget about Ferguson the way they treated the protesters.
Tired of bike racks bolted to the ground, so with a wrench you can steal both the rack and bike (u put parking meters in the ground
Tired of bike trails broken. Broken links between individual trails. Sad for Mother Nature hasn't helped w/ flooded trails. I'd forget the flood & unkept potholes.
tired of closed mindset.
Tired of community leaders not fully engaging the right community residents. I feel like the city police are against the people. I'll wish I could forget the song Gloria after the blues won the Stanley Cup! Let's go Blues!!
Tired of crime and traffic.
Tired of crime, I feel afraid and sad and outraged at the terrible loss of lives and dreams.
Tired of crime, poverty, racial inequalities and the constant reminder that we are still under years of failed leadership. I feel proud yet heartbroken. DO BETTER! I won't forget nothing because all of you makes each of us better. Never forget the past and embrace the future.
Tired of crime. I feel hopeful but skeptical. Wish I could forget the protest.
Tired of crime. I feel scared and wish I could forget our public school system
Tired of empty buildings and corporations that were supposed to improve neighborhoods do nothing with the money given to them. Organizations actually doing great work are being overlooked and under valued by the mayor and economic development dept. I feel like you want to displace black communities in favor of big corporations, while they may provide jobs, you don't create any tech preparedness programs free for low- income communities. You don't take into consideration social determinants of health when funding and accepting money from big corporations,
Tired of folks defending their little neighborhoods for "invasion"
Tired of Govt agencies telling communities what is needed. I feel sad, sick and tired. I won't forget the past hurts and atrocities that happened to Blacks. Tired of homes of blacks being taken for 10 cent of a dollar or less.

Verbatim break-up letter comments:
Tired of having to stare down the car approaching the intersection as I cross the street. I feel frustrated b/c we "fight" crime but not poverty. I want to forget that I can go downtown in 5 minutes by car but 30 minutes by transit.
Tired of hearing about crime in this city. We have so many other things to talk about. I feel proud. Ask any newly planted person and they will tell you how awesome St. Louis is- neighborhoods, downtown, culture, art, architecture, and music.
Tired of high crime stats and potholes. I want to forget Ferguson effect and inflated racism and prejudices magnified by social media.
Tired of hopeless energy and racism. Homelessness. Empty buildings. I feel tired and I want to move b/c the energy is so heavy. I can't forget the children who are homeless!
Tired of how weirdly segregated we can be. I want everyone to celebrate our differences.
Tired of inaccessible food and water in some areas where food deserts occur. I feel sad. I'd forget the declining population.
Tired of inefficient city government with too much power in Aldermen and not City Manager. I feel frustrated & wish to forget the devastation caused by your Aldermen and Alderwomen.
Tired of killings and trash around St. Louis. I feel as if we have been forgotten and no one really cares. I will forget all the people YOUNG women and men that are all strung out on drugs.
Tired of lack of innovation, there's a lot of ambition but also a lot of comparison to other "rust belt" cities etc. I'd like to see a unique approach to improve the city.
Tired of lack of investment in K-12 education and youth recreational activities. I feel like being a leader.
Tired of lousy public schools and crime. I feel proud. I've seen lots of positive changes in the city.
Tired of negative people controlling our trajectory. I feel conflicted and will not forget that we are so divided socially, politically and economically .
Tired of non communication of racial divide citizens need to come out to these community-Chouteau Greenway. I wish to forget seeing military vehicles parked around St Louis after Michael Brown disturbance.
Tired of not enough ethnic cuisine. I feel like I can't find others with similar interest.
Tired of not possible, I feel so xtreme like a thousand!!
Tired of one sided media.
Tired of our kids are out in the streets getting shot and killed. I feel St. Louis is a beautiful city I been here all my life and have raised a family hand have met many of very good people here.
Tired of people ignoring basic traffic laws. (stop signs and red lights don't apply, turn around in streets.) I feel stressed sometimes driving in some areas walking alone (would not go running after dark) I want to forget how much time I spend in traffic (though I know its worst in other parts of the country)
Tired of people not getting along people shooting eachother. I feel sad
Tired of petty crime in the city

Verbatim break-up letter comments:
Tired of police officers whose professionalism is lacking. I won't forget reading about police making racist remarks on social media.
Tired of poor police/public reations and poor practices; bad practices approaching young black males (by police) I feel sad that yo don't have a city wide composting program. And yet you have a yard waste bins in alley. Why don't yo promote household composting waste in the yard waste bins. Throwing compostable in landfill contributed to the greenhouse effect, high methane gas release from landfills I want to forget the high crime of the 1970's
Tired of racial division and crime. I feel embarrassed that you can't stop the crime and have people work together in mutual respect. Wish I could forget Ferguson, trails and protest.
Tired of racial division in the public and body politics. I feel disheartened. I can't forget police riots (kettling)
Tired of racism and poor governance.
Tired of racism. I feel like St. Louis doesn't exist sometimes. I'll forget about the poverty.
Tired of seeing nothing happen with the Trestle project of I-70 (I-44) I feel like the near north side is being ignored.
Tired of segregated communities.
Tired of segregation, racial bias in courts and public school funding among other things. I feel frustrated!
Tired of tailgaters!!
Tired of telling people St. Louis is not a crime infested area where people just shoot at eachother all the time. I feel like I have to stay alert all the time. I wish to forget that we are neglecting what is happening or not happening to North St. Louis.
Tired of the bad roads. Too many potholes
Tired of the bicycle lanes, I feel awful I wish to forget that those bike lanes exists. They are discremate cyclists that want to ride in traffic cause its safer
tired of the closeted racism that permeates our town, along with all of the tinhorn little municipal fiefdoms that stunt our growth and divide us.
Tired of the crime & shootings
Tired of the crime and dilapidated buildings. So many wasted historical buildings that people would love to recover, if there wasn't concern over safety. I feel disappointed in the lack of initiative and change. Less talking, more taking action. We have so many opportunities around us. We just need to work together for the long term good. I want to forget the sinking feeling in my stomach whenever I walk past a house falling apart in my neighborhood, or streets covered in trash.
Tired of the crime enough said but I'm still hopeful .
Tired of the crime I feel scared to be out at night and wish I could forget that people are robbed on my block every month.
Tired of the delusions between people, neighborhoods, races, etc. I feel as an older white male I am made to feel the enemy.
Tired of the division, the segregation, old money politics, seeing the same last names in politics, no profits, etc. I can't forget that the police don't serve all of our citizens equally.

Verbatim break-up letter comments:
tired of the divisions between north south, and between city and county/St. Charles County and other counties. . . feel - see above forget - the blighted areas of our city, all the formerly beautiful brick houses decaying, etc.
Tired of the fighting-let's all get along. I feel so proud but I don't like to defend you to people who only see/hear the bad. I won't forget -not forget- "learn from" our mistakes.
Tired of the institutional racism in St. Louis politics and organizations. I feel frustrated b/c of the lack of integrated neighbors, lack of walkable neighborhoods. Forget how hard it is to find affordable housing in a neighborhood w/ greenways and cafes and art and community. I live in a small apt in Shaw & love the neighborhood except for its continuing gentrification and rising housing cost. I wish there were more options, I'm hopeful that connecting N/S sill offer more opportunities for all!
Tired of the negativity and complaining. You can do anything if you set your attitude right.
Tired of the North/South city division. Please develop policies and programs that benefit the whole city.
Tired of the senseless crime. Our race is declining at an enormous rate. I'm also tired of the schools not being invested in for our children. I fell hopeless and disappointed. I wish to forget that this is reality and not a dream.
Tired of the stupid division between white and black neighborhoods, city and county and racism! I feel as if I need to get another lawyer just in case I get pulled over on my bike. I can't forget the multitude of times that our house was egged, teepee and crosses burned on the lawn.
Tired of the Trestle project being ignored. It needs to be integrated into the Greenway network ASAP. I feel better connected. I'd like to forget adverse crime & violence.
Tired of there not being money for young N-word. When I say young N-word I mean male and female. Ya'll going in the wrong direction. I feel nothing and wish I could forget nothing.
Tired of you looking for silver bullets projects and continually investing time and resources into the same people and geographic areas. I feel ashamed that to see this same wasteful investments made again and again. I'd forget all the kids seen dead in the street from your refusal to invest in safe infrastructures for all people.
Tired Of: Racial division, white flight, segregation, to many St. Louisans bad-mouthing St. Louis
Tires of bike racks bolted to the ground, so with a wrench you can steal both rack and bike. (U put parking meters in the ground.)
Tires of violence, your horrible streets. I feel constantly worried about my safety after dark. I want to forget the weekly scenes of violence, you are a constant emotional vampire.
traffic
Underutilized places Like you have so much potential People talking crap on the city
Vacancy, negative perception, crime and poor public schools that impact our potential to grow.
violence and break ins
Violence. The destruction of the city by ignorance. Diversity won't cure it.
Violent crime. Good overall. Seeing all the abandoned historic buildings in north city.

Verbatim break-up letter comments:

We desperately need to get a handle on the crime and horrible drivers so that people feel safe being in the city, whether it's to live, work, or visit!! I know the red light cameras were judged as unconstitutional but they definitely made a difference for the better in the way that people drove. Also, what's up with allowing all these people with expired license tags driving their cars, not just 1-2 months expired but >1-2 years! Lastly, people need to recognize their racism and work to overcome it! StL is very racially charged, even 5 years after Michael Brown being killed. How did the color of a person's skin become the 1st thing we use to make a judgement about someone?! I have a 22 year old son and I live in the city and I thank God that he's white when he's out driving around this city with his friends or girlfriend.

We need to change institutional racism, racist policies and segregation

We need to do something about violence in St. Louis. I frequently hear gunshots.

We need to talk about safe bike paths. Share roads are not safe. The best practice to encourage bikes is to have more protected bike lanes.

We need to talk. I'm so tired of hearing about crime and our problems, let's talk about the great things more. They make this place so great.

We need to talk. I'm so tired of hearing how low we rank when in fact we are a great destination with some of the finest cultural institutions. We need to think beyond our limitations, define who we are and build upon what's right about our region. We also need to deal with what's wrong

We need to talk. I'm so tired of talking. You make me feel sad when you don't believe. I wish I could forget the nay-sayers.

We need to talk. I'm so tired of crime. You make me feel depressed. I wish I could forget about racism.

We need to talk. I'm so tired of having to drive everywhere. Other cities have amazing public transit and walkable trails; why can't we?

We need to talk. I'm so tired of how you consistently priorities the comfort and whims of white people. You make me feel like an idiot for loving you. I wish we could forget about trying to bring back the white folks who fled their black neighbors for the suburbs, and focus on all the assets we have here at home.

We need to talk. I'm so tired of the fact that we can't seem to get out of our own way sometimes, and it's crippling our great city's ability to be so much more. Let's get rid of this crime. This racial tension. This fractured government structure.

We need to talk. I'm so tired of the streetscape of Manchester Ave south of Dogtown. The River Des Peres Greenway extension from Slay Park to Forest Park is an opportunity to correct this.

We need to talk. I'm so tired of the system that is killing the people of color that live in our community and keeping them living in poverty.

We need to talk. I'm so tired of your racism. You make me feel disinvested.

We need to talk. I'm so tired of... racial tension and crime. You make me feel... that things won't improve. I wish I could forget... the debilitating sense of stagnancy.

Verbatim break-up letter comments:

We need to talk. I'm so tired of...the negativity. It comes from the ground up - the residents themselves feel bad about the city and the violence. You make me feel...like I am fighting an uphill battle. I try to stay positive but there are always people bringing the city down. I wish I could forget...when someone told me Kirkwood was the "epitome" of St. Louis. An area that is mostly white, upper class and secluded can't not be the best representation of a city as diverse and unique as St. Louis.

When will you figure out how to get along with the rest of your family, like the county

White developers driving the show. Please, no more tax abatements. We need resources NOW to address systemic ills.

You disappoint me far too often. Why won't your people support each other? Why do your people discount each other? Why do your people even kill each other while others stand around saying, "shame on you" but won't enter in; won't stick around; run far away; complain about your problems and still claim your glories and gifts without payment? Why do your people give so little to make you healthy and whole? You ask too little of them! You have so much wealth, yet you are so cheap. Why have you spent the last hundred years wafting the fumes of the 1904 World's Fair glory, even building up the grounds as a testament that something great once happened there, but pay no attention to the future? You have thrown out great industries, while pleading with them to stay, then cuss them out and grumble under your last dying breaths. You should thank God for those who haven't left! But instead you kick those who have vision. You, yourself, have no vision! And you envy those who have. So, the efforts and resources you do invest don't build your neighborhoods and communities. So much is wasted! Things keep getting worse, but you continue on, business as usual, wailing, "whoa is me!" playing your victim card, asking for hand-outs, and blaming your problems on everyone else. Take responsibility for yourself. Tens and hundreds of thousands need you. You have your beloved children, pets and self-interests and your "unfortunate" orphans relegated to places no one should live in. You can't look yourself in the mirror without your guilt eating your face. Your streets are falling apart; your houses are crumbling; your people have to spend a day's worth of time to work for a day's worth of pay; and you give them crumbs and refuse to eat. Where is a grocery? Where is a school? Where is a patch of fresh park space to retreat? Yet you spend hundreds of millions on feel good projects. You let developers walk all over you, getting away with just about anything they please. You are a slut! Prostituting yourself for a cheap thrill while telling everyone you are full of integrity, doing what you have to do in order to make things better. Why won't you actually do the hard work it takes to truly become good. Say no to everything that hurts you. You are guilty. You are guilty for the lives lost when you wouldn't raise a finger; for the communities lost because of a fly by night scheme or a shifty swindler's glittery promises, for the fortunes lost when you took your business away giving it to exploited laborers so you could build bigger houses somewhere else, for the dreams lost on streets without hope, hard and uncaring. How can you simply turn your back and claim it's not your problem? Shame on you! Turn around! Look. Look! LOOK! At yourself. You are a mess. You are a disgrace. Clean yourself up and then maybe you will become the once beloved jewel – a brilliant creation. I

Verbatim break-up letter comments:
question far too often why I even live within your bounds. You could be so much more. Sincerely, Aaron
You make me feel sad and angry with your municipal fragmentation, infighting and of course, systemically racist policies in education, criminal justice and economic development.
You make me feel sad when I listen to the news of crime, hate, killing in our neighborhoods.
You make me feel... Embarrassed that we are known as one of the most segregated cities in the country. Embarrassed that our downtown can't be showcased as one of the pre-eminent Riverfronts in the nation.
Your bad reputation

Appendix M

Verbatim Heart, Soul & Grit Comments/Descriptions

Verbatim heart, soul & grit comments/descriptions:
oak leaf;
2019 St Louis Blues. An improbable story of rising from the ashes.
A biscuit! Warm & inviting on the inside and just a little hard on the outside. You have to break it open to fully appreciate. ☐
All I can think of is grit.
ARCH
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Arch Fleur-de-lis beer
Arch and fleur-de-lis
Arch, Zoo, U.city. The Grove, Forest Park , get county area`s
At this point in time the St. Louis Blues finally winning the Stanley Cup
Besides the Arch?????
Besides the iconic fleur de lis or the arch? Can't think of anything!
Best kept secret
BLACK, stars, tears, chains, LIGHT. A gradient of colors yearning to shine BRIGHTER.
Blue for the St. Louis Blues and the Blues genre of music and Red for the Cardinals
Blue of water, terra cotta of brick
Blue, green, yellow. Organic, transparent, resilient.
Blues, fleur de lis,
Brick buildings. Fleur des lis. Industrial past, tech future. Neighbors.
Brick red. The smell of beer in a summer night. The lap of the river on cobble stoned banks.
Brick!
Brick, wrought iron
Bricks (deep red variety), the Arch, the statue in front of the Art Museum
Bricks obviously
Bricks. This is a city of bricks. Just as no two bricks are alike, no two people are alike. We are a diversity of individual bricks, but look what we can build together.
Bricks. Street cars. Mountains.
bridge bricks
broken sidewalks, painted wooden eaves on houses, red bricks, stormy skies, a too-loud car.
Cardinal red, Fleur de lys, Arch
Cardinal red, French blue, the Gateway Arch, the flag of St. Louis.
Cardinal red. A fleur de lis and birds on a bat. The words of early settlers who said that the Missouri River was "too thick to drink and too thin to plow." All places are a mix of good, bad,

Verbatim heart, soul & grit comments/descriptions:
and indifferent, but it has always felt to me like we had less bad and indifferent than most places I've been and that we have more than our share of good.
Cardinals
City flag
City parks, though missing basketball courts
Clenched fists
Collaboration.
Colors in the City flag, Fleur-de-lis
culture
Exploration; River city; French heritage, German heritage
Family, Philanthropy, Fun!
Fleur de lis
fleur de lis
Fleur de lis
fleur de lis
Fleur de Lis, Mississippi and Missouri rivers, oak & hickory trees, expansive sky, the Arch, Cahokia Mounds, Eads Bridge
Fleur de Lis, St. Louis flag, gateway to the world. Arch, spirit of St. Louis,
fleur de lis, the arch, the stanley cup :), busch stadium
Fleur de lis, the St. Louis flag, the cardinals and blues logos
Fleur di lys inside of a heart. My city.
fleur-de-lis
Flour de Lis, STL flag, Blues, the arch.
Flyer de lis
Forest Park
Forest Park - free, huge, lots to do for everyone, open to all, supported by significant donor giving, restored from deteriorating (many years ago), iconic entities - zoo, science center, Muny.
Forest Park, StL Zoo, Cardinal Red, Blue Note, our aspirational Arch.
Forest Park, Tower Grove, friendly faces.
French; Fleur-de-lis; Eads Bridge; water; brick; beer; baseballs; hockey pucks;
Friendly diverse people.
GLORIA! Fleur de Lis The St. Louis city flag is so good! The mississippi river The arch Our beautiful brick homes and old brick streets and alley. Bring back brick streets! Bicycles
Great
Green for the amazing trees which are everywhere and make every single street something special when in bloom. I love the turquoise rooftops of all of our city buildings...it's like it was a planned canvas...I'm a photographer; I can't get passed looking at our cityscape. The Arch...lets just say it's my favorite monument, I have to think...it's brilliant, it's perfect. I'm thankful for the vision of Eero Saarinen and the St. Louis team who voted his design in. I love and appreciate the vision of our forefathers who designed all of the green space in our city.

Verbatim heart, soul & grit comments/descriptions:
Believers, philanthropist, including the amazing families who give back and appreciate what is ours...arts, passion.
green, historic, the beautiful flag
GRG and their partners have done an outstanding job of capturing the colors, shapes and symbols that represent St. Louis from inception. I've got nothing to add other than agreement.
Grit & Persistence
Hard.
Hardworking, humble, unique, tough, creative
Heart, Soul and Grit of StL...If I stayed in my own cul de sac of 15 homes, I could see St. Louis as a diverse group of people who care about each other. Once I venture to my intersection, I am on guard about what to expect. The shapes and symbols: winding rivers from a topographic viewpoint and the Arch
historic, legacy, resist, Blues, Confluence, Great Rivers, prairie
Historic, persevering
history... green... and rainbows
Home Red for Cardinals Arch shape Hockey
Hope,Courage, Blue, Triangle, Mississippi River
How about a brick? Not always fashionable, but solid and reliable. We could use a bit of tuckpointing though to help hold us together, especially on the edges.
huSTLe is so good, stick with our flag, love the stitch idea cause we gotta heal and connect everything.
Hydraulic bricks
I have always loved the fleur de lis, representations of our pioneering and industrious spirit, and also the importance of our music heritage... And, of course, the Cards and Blues.
I like the city's flag. It is colorful and shows that the city was once French and it grew at the confluence of the great rivers.
I love our city's flag, with the meeting of two great rivers and the fleur de lis.
I love the St. Louis flag!
I think of the glade ecosystem - it is full of stones, shallow soils, with erratic growth media and seemingly-unhospitable conditions for plants... however the flora that springs forth is vibrant and lively and a metaphor for the color and vivaciousness that we can grow if we give some good seed a chance.
Long and sinuous, like the Mississippi; green, like trees, parks, food, rivers, Mardi Gras and the St. Patrick's Day parade
Love our flyer de lis Blue. Red. RedBird. Arch. River. Anheuser Eagle Cathedral
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Love. Blue. Circle. <input type="checkbox"/>
n/a
No
None that I can think of

Verbatim heart, soul & grit comments/descriptions:
North of Delmar says it all.
Nothing comes to mind but that fleur-de-lis isn't bad.
Of course the fleur de lis
Of course! We have several! The Blue Note, The Birds on The Bat, The Gateway Arch, and Great Rivers Greenway!
Old bricks, red clay, the river, beautiful and slightly sagging old buildings, big trees and no trees, vacant grassy lots, vast parking lots.
Open-Ended Response
Opportunity
our city flag and the arch
our flag is pretty good
Our great system of city and county parks represents this region's heritage in many unique ways, and constitutes an overlooked but invaluable asset that could be exploited by St. Louis as an important area attraction; lack of funding for maintaining the parks is desperately lacking, however, and we sorely need a vision of how an integrated park system here could become a magnet for residents and tourists alike.
Pervious surfaces and rain basins.
Real. St. Louis is real. It is what you see both good and bad
Red and White for the Cardinals. Arch - everyone knows STL by that monument
Red brick and the city confluence flag
Red brick, brown or gray-green of the rivers.
red bricks
Red, Blue, & Yellow
-resilient, potential
river, egrets, catfish, fleur de lis, arch, brick homes, blue
Rivers, bricks...
shapes/symbols: arch, fleur-de-lis, the 'STL' (Cardinals) symbol, rivers (Mississippi and Missouri), musical notes colors: red (Cardinals), blue (Blues) words: urban, underdog, grit, blues, baseball, breweries, parks
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Slu blue. The pointed spires of her myriad churches. The cardinal, spunky little fierce bird.
Soccer
Soulard
St Louis brick and brickworks are known throughout the country. Tie that in to the greenways as much as possible
St Louis flag
St Louis flag gets a lot of it. The Apotheosis statue is a dated and non-secular icon for the city. The St Louis Bluenote from the hockey team is on-trend.
St. Louis Central Library

Verbatim heart, soul & grit comments/descriptions:
St. Louis City Flag / Mississippi River / Beer!
St. Louis is always RED to me. Maybe it's a Cardinals thing, or maybe it's my favorite color applied to a city I fell in love with decades ago (I'm technically a transplant), or maybe because I see St. Louis as hot spot that too many people aren't seeing.
St. Louis is Love we need more love
St. Louis is named after Louis IX, king of France. He was a rare monarch who internalized the lessons of Christianity and practiced true servant-leadership. (Alas, most of the other French kings did not). Anyway, I realize that he is a religious figure, which may not be appropriate to this project, but perhaps there is some tie-in--maybe make a statue of St. Louis mounted on a bicycle instead of a horse, plunging through the Gateway Arch.
steadfast
STL city flag
STL flag Confluence
STL Flag. Cardinals. Blues. Arch.
Summer fun, music, fun days in the parks.
Tapestry. Spiral.
The 3 rivers flag w/fleur-de-lis is a start, but...the heart, soul, grit part isn't represented in any particular way.
The arch Blue for the Blues Red for the Cardinals Green for the big parks we have Reuse of materials such as in The City Museum!
The arch Cardinal red
The Arch (of course!)
the arch connected to create a heart
The Arch is the best symbol of St. Louis. It is a beacon for others to come to our fair city.
The arch! The gateway to great idea, opportunity, friendship, success, and innovation.
The Arch, King Louis statue on art hill, fleur-de-lis, cardinals, blues
The Arch, of course; bike wheels, microbrews, and Souldard come to mind.
The Arch, the flag, and the Blues logo.
The Arch, the shapes of the main neighborhoods the greenway would cross over: CWE/Cortex, Midtown, Downtown West, Downtown, the Cathedral, Forest Park, the letters "STL" and different meanings i.e. Share The Love, etc etc. I also like the idea of murals that pay homage to hometown heroes like public servants, historical figures or professional athletes.
The arch.
The Arch.
The arch. the St. Louis zoo sign. The Science Center sky walk over 64/40. The Climatron.
The Arch. The fleur de lis. Great food. People who are outgoing and care about one another. The many great neighborhoods that each has its own unique identity. Ted Drewes. Forest Park. Humidity. Cardinals baseball. Civic pride. Great institutions of higher learning.
The Arch. The rivers. The city flag flying proudly from every balcony.

Verbatim heart, soul & grit comments/descriptions:
The blue collar, aged now, but tough as nails and the best. Keep recruiting and training the millenials for generations to come. They are the hope, as big as the boomers, the future stars.
The city flag
The city flag.
The confluence of the Missouri and Mississippi.
The flag of Saint Louis with the joining of the rivers is a beautiful symbol. The Gateway Arch is a profound symbol of past and future possibilities. This once and future great city is on the verge of a renaissance if we can just come to grips with our true identity and dare to do great things.
The fleur de lis, the Arch, Cardinals, Blues, Black Lives Matter!
The fleur de lis, the red, blue and yellow of our flag, the arch, the skyline, our big cultural institutions, the statue of Louis in Forest Park in front of the art museum.
The fleur-de-lis, the two great rivers
The great rivers flowing through our region and the small creeks and waterways that feed them are the lifeblood of the St Louis region. Emphasis on waterways, floodplains and greenways can lead to a better future. Our history which led to lack of connection within our neighborhoods and between communities still limits us.
The grit of the city is terra cotta seen everywhere in the bricks that hold this city together. The blue of the great Mississippi River starts our journey westward.
The Italian colors of our Hill neighborhood, the beautiful color of the St. Louis red brick we're known for, spectacular neighborhood churches and the Arch.
The Mississippi and Missouri Rivers The equestrian statue of Saint Louis The Cardinals, World Series Champs The Blues, Stanley Cup Winner
The obvious Gateway to the West of the Arch, but not much talked about, is, how that is also a symbol of eminent Domain.
The old homes and mansions, they spoke to an optimistic generation, the grit of the manufacturing industry, not aerospace.
the pavilions of tower grove park
The Red bricks of the century old houses.
The River
The shape of high-quality protected bikelanes. May they act as a stage to platform all the wonderful honest people who bike and walk through this city.
The shape of the river and the city - green, red brick,
The St. Louis City flag is the best city flag in the world. I wish we could all (county, St. Chuck, etc.) unite under it.
The St. Louis flag is by far my favorite thing about St. Louis. I lived in Boston and everyone thought we had the coolest flag, even people from Colorado.
The two classic symbols of St. Louis are the arch and the fleur de lis. I think that when any St. Louisans outside the city see these symbols they are reminded of home.
The usual things like the Arch, Blues, Cardinals, but also the craft beers and start up vibe
There are beautiful preserved greenways in the city

Verbatim heart, soul & grit comments/descriptions:
Tired of bigotry/racism (convort and overt) that keeps our city from becoming a thriving metropolitan city and perpetuates gross economic inequality. I feel apathetic and sad b/c the potential is there to be more and better. I want to forget the bigotry and harassment that I and some of my family members have experienced form STL police and community members.
toughness
Underrated, Ready, Evolving
We have dozens of iconic symbols of our region: The Mississippi River, The Arch, Historic Brick homes/buildings, The statue of St. Louis on Art Hill, Blues Music symbolism, Our corporate logos, The Walk of Fame in U City, We could really use an original song that is both new and timeless, about us but also resonates around the world, even to those who've never been here. And....we desperately need a bold new signature structure downtown. The building must be at least 55 stories, daring in design, artfully illuminated.
While we will always have Red cardinals, Blue notes, and even Silver arches, this city was built by and thrives on the two longest Rolling rivers edged by the Green life they nourish.
Words that represents STL - Neighborhoods, Big City-Little Town , Connected. Gateway to the BEST. Colors - Blue , Red, Gold Symbols - Arch , Forest Park, MOBOT, Water Towers, So many wonderful City parks and green spaces.
WORDS: Generous (we offer helpful suggestions, even if it means interrupting the conversation at the next table in a restaurant to do so) Cryptic (we ask the seemingly innocent question, "where did you go to high school?" but what we mean is "how much money did your parents have?") Confluence (of two rivers; of city and county; of so many international cultures; of the continent's east and west, north and south; of scholarship and ignorance; of arts and sports; of inclusiveness and bigotry; and so many other examples) SYMBOLS Fleur de Lis Arch
yes
YES THERE IS. IT WOULD BE AN UNEQUAL SIGN. YOUR LINE, MY LINE AND A THIRD LINE CROSSING THROUGH NOTING THAT OUR TWO LINES ARE NOT EQUAL.
yes, but i haven't the time

Appendix N

Verbatim “Other cool art idea” comments

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A fountain where bike riders and others may cool down in the hot summer months and buy a cool drink or ice cream.
A series of mural that reflect neighborhood history or group could draw people there-like in Toronto maps are given out so that people can ride their bikes to see things. But there needs to be a critical maps of murals --in relatively small accessible area.
A wall mural made of live plants or flowers would be amazing
an interactive ground mural along the walkway that incorporates some kind of game(think hop scotch) Interactive installments- like in City Garden
Art about the history of St .Louis
Art based on famous quotes-visual representations of verbal thoughts.
art made from litter collected in RDP or parks
art out of recycled materials, e.g. glass mosaics showcasing diverse people (age, race, etc)
Art projection/ sculpture in front of the Harris Stowe/ don't hide Wolf Jazz Institute and art gallery
Art that can age or even decay gracefully and that can acquire a patina over the years the greenway is open. I'd like more low-cost art woven throughout than a few expensive but novel pieces. Relatively cheap murals and other art pieces (even made from recycled materials) can be just as surprising, powerful, and compelling as some over-engineered, financially unsustainable, potentially glitchy tech-based display. I love tech, but the main goal should be to conceive of art that impacts people meaningfully and can make their daily experience more beautiful or grounded, not just art that has novelty.
Art that tells the story of the individual community
Art used as a tool to emphasize the benefits of diversity and collaboration
Banners flags
Bold colors on plain exterior walls
Climbable sculpture
Cover necessary items(boxes that control the traffic lights) with mosaics, like they have on S. Grand
Create a cultural trail celebrating different ethnicities and cultures.
Creative lighting and water features
Dance & theater
Dance and performance art
Dance patterns on the ground. Relaxing light displays, Josephine Baker mural!! More interactive fountains for kids/ adults to play in like in City Garden and rain gardens.
Diversity
environmental, land-art, large scale interventions
Every single K-12 student paints a ceramic tile. these are used as a border for the greenway. Similar to Delmar Loop Metrolink station.

Verbatim "Other cool art idea" comments:
Everything that City Garden park does
Fibers.
Floral and greenery
Found art during the construction, indigenous people's art from the Cahokia culture, industrial art related to St. Louis history in the area covered by the trail, colorful/rainbow art (https://mymodernmet.com/rainbow-art-installations/), map art (http://www.radicalcartography.net/index.html?fisk , Memphis' Riverwalk https://www.roadsideamerica.com/story/34325), interactive art like the sounds squares from Citygarden, or xylophone benches, plant art like MoBot's pincushion succulent gardens, architectural art like City Museum's installations
Fountains or other water art - that can be used in summer, but enjoyed for the beauty always
Functional art like cooling stations - i.e. installations that spray mist on demand, along with water fountains. (St. Louis can be hot and humid for 5 or 6 months of the year!)
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Games
Gardens
Gateway Entrance; Ask a landscape architect or urban designer for info.
Graphity contest like on the river wall. Cameras and video to help security but also fun.
Green space art
Have local schools contribute or use high school class hours to have on-hands experience & practice (apprenticeship/internship)
Hire graffiti artist.
I can see any of those. Sculpture marks and defines place. Video could at once provide a message and provide light ad safety. Installations are great because they change. Interactive engages (thinking of water at City Garden). Tech based could respond to map apps and add insights that traditional media can't. Murals enliven sometime bland elements. Sound and music could be generated via wind and other environmental elements. All choices should be items that are durable and won't look broken or shabby after a few years.
I have an idea/thought! Hit me up: pjones@mindsafety.com
I would like to see illumination inset within the hard surface walks, either designs or directional or both
If you feel you need "art" think in terms of beautiful benches attractive bike racks. Remember art that is not beautiful is junk. I think "natural" not "manmade". Water features...trees to provide shade...ponds, waterfalls and drinking fountains.
It would be cool if a portion of the wall was for lease and could host various different artists, built-into the structure should be some basic cement installation that could be utilized as a gathering area for events approved by the Greenway. I think there should be a live-feed video camera that "connects" people from one side of the pathway to another random person on the other side of the pathway. Would be a fun way to strike up a conversation with a stranger! I think a portion should be opened to graffiti artists to have the opportunity to do their art in a safe place. I also think there should be a space reserved for high school art

Verbatim “Other cool art idea” comments:
classes that they can have the students paint a mural on a reserved space and then rotate between schools throughout the year. There should be a finger painting mural section for young children/families. Maybe a portion of the greenway can be adorned with enough greenery to make it seem like you are walking through a forest in the middle of an urban environment.
keep in mind these will be exposed to the elements. Murals and sculptures are probably most durable.
Landscape art that is natural and sustainable especially creative wetlands that help us with water run off
LANDSCAPING AND LAND SHAPING. HERITAGE ART.
Light based, equity /historical.
light sculpture under highway overpasses.
Light sculptures-make spaces dynamic and less dark @ night.
lighting
like the bean in Chicago and the area around the Nine Network Commons. Worried about safety and graffiti that would trash the projects.
Living sculptures with plants. Green walls designed with artistic plant arrangements. The goal is to reconnect with Nature at the same time as using change and dynamism as a mode of expression.
Messages
Native landscapes
Native perennials that flower to city team colors during the beginnings of seasons and playoffs.
Naturescapes - rocks, fountains, waterfalls, plantings, trees
Neighborhood based venue at St. Alphonsus Rock Church A striking historical cathedral. Venue/programming should link with performance arts district at Grand Center to create growth opportunities for Northside youth.
Not thrilled about sound because...old <input type="checkbox"/> And current cultural interest in sound tends toward overwhelming random chaos.
Parklet! take back a parking space and use for pedestrians.
Pennants, banners, area flags
Performance art, dance storytelling juggling, all kinds of Street art.
Photos from St. Louis stars (Nego League Baseball) history
Plant based
Playground structure and gamig.
Please, NO GRAFFITI
Projections
Rainbow benches.
Sculptures made with 100% reused/recycled materials, specially those hard to recycle like film plastic. These could be like the ones at the City Museum that are super cool and use all

Verbatim "Other cool art idea" comments:
these materials that were going to be landfilled. It would be quite disappointing to see art/sculptures that where new plastic was used, as it only promotes its manufacture.
Seasonal or temporary
Sections like the flood wall. Have different artist from around the country and world come once a year to paint different sections on the greenway like the flood wall.
Show historical photos of surrounding neighborhoods to show what has been lost over time and how the city need to look.
Since we are creating bike and walking trails the bike racks should reflect the area and also become works of art as it is in the Delmar Loop
Some kind of rotating (annual/bi-annual) art display, like the SIUE campus does.
something "Berma Shave" like w/asrt/sculpture.
something creative to cut down on highway and railroad noise
Something like the fence with locks attached. Forget where that is...
something made by Arch Reactor
Start a public art commitee
Street banners that are unique, sidewalk amenities (I.e. benches, bike racks, light poles, kiosks, etc.)
Surfaces of the trail that are art, not just pavement. Landscaping that is artful. Tie in buildings along the route w murals or art installations. Must weave the existing fabric into the project.
te
textile and fiber
textile and fiber
textile and fiber and Burma Shave riddles-Geocache/Scavenger Hunt.
textile na fiber
The HighLine in NYC reuses items from around the neighborhoods - pieces of buildings, billboards, etc.
The more art, the better!
The parts of the greenway that go over the highways-don;t try and block it out-blank sound barrier and retaining wall could be great canvas for mural that represent the neighborhoods hidden behind them .
There are so many possibilities! Important events and people, architecture, how the neighborhood became a neighborhood. It's an amazing city People should know
Things that can move and change are always great.
This is VERY millennial but if something is "instagrammable" young people will come for it. Tech based art concerns me with the up-keep.
urban wildlife habitat and native plants
Usable and useful art - gives you information about the environment. Art you can play on, manipulate, interact with.
visual against water walls
Water and landscape based
Water Fountain puls cool down fountain.

Verbatim “Other cool art idea” comments:
water fountains
WAYS TO GROW UP AND PATHS TO TAKE AND WHERE THEY LEAD.
with plants.
Work out zones ie pull-up bars

Appendix O

Verbatim "Other great ideas for events & programming" comments

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(all of the above as long as they don't interfere with commuter traffic)
1. a movable feast. 2. story walk, stories about people who have made history along the route and events that took place. 3. edible landscapes-a meal make from forragig along the trail .
5k races in general cultural events.
a free "yard" sale like the 127 yard sale from Michigan to Alabama
Activities for children, plays about the city's history
Activity and exercise
Ag education. Call Farm Bureau for ideas!
Again all are possible tools for placemaking.
Allow businesses to flourish
Amplitheater
Arch Reactor has great event and creates art. Great to have them on the route Scott Ave/Jeff Ave.
Art or other fairs. Sport-like events like moonlight ramble, runs, etc.
Art that reflects our history, important events, people and places.
bathrooms, water fountains, lots of trees and native plants, bike paths, skate park?, water! (fountains, ponds, streams)
Biking events like races or bike parades (decoration, etc.)
Breweries, artist spaces, and sections that showcase some kind of mechanical production.
Breweries, outdoor theatre, improv music and events, neighborhood street fairs
Cherokee Street is a great source for festivals and culture. Link up to us.
Chicago has great regular programming at millennium Park. Appreciate how regularity in schedule improves attendance. Like twilight Tuesday concerts.
Children's spaces
Collaborative events stretching from one location to another
Community building like international fest or pride does at Tower Grove.
Community disscussions. "Meet up" style events to meet others who share you inerest.
cycling
Directions to nearby businesses that serve Greenway users
DIVERSITY/EQUITY INTERACTION EVENTS.

Verbatim “Other great ideas for events & programming” comments:
Done by young people!
Don't get too artsy. If the idea is wide public engagement, keep it simple. Live music (no sound machines) and food carts are what works in other cities.
edible forest
Education on how to transition to zero-waste.
Education! The entire greenway should serve as an outdoor classroom. Fitness!!! Use the greenway to combat obesity and complacency. We need an active city. Get out, walk and meet neighbors.
Education, fitness, open space
Fairs, festivals, etc.
Flora Education
Forest/Permaculture just add fruit trees:) native flowers , herbs for free picking.
Framework Plan-the framework plan completely ignore the near southside/east area of the city. Soulard, Clinton Peabody, Lafayette Sq Benton Park etc.
Free symphony concerts.
Games
games, children's storytimes, active recreation, art creation, health and exercise
Gatherings for art-sale and exchange.
have a neighborhood story tellers that live in the exact neighborhood to talk about their experiences and why people should want to live there .
have a way to interact and post to @greatriversgreenway #grgselfie #grgmakes #grgyoyo #grgkaraoke #grgtreasue
History/stories of the city through theatrical productions
I always liked the idea with the first iteration of the greenway that it could become an additional event space for St. Louis. If designed as such ahead of time (plenty of electrical boxes for tents, reinforced soil to resist compaction, nice amount of plaza space to organize around, and even hook-eyes on light poles in order to string festive lights). This would allow for more ethnic festivals (French, Spanish, German, Native American, African-American, Polish, Vietnamese.... you name it, it would be nice to know every weekend to every other weekend, you could expect a festival in the area.

Verbatim “Other great ideas for events & programming” comments:
Increase bike/pedestrian traffic through neighborhood-this would bolster neighborhood businesses within Shaw and offers a different neighborhood focused experience over the Grand Blvd. route
Integrate small stages for events (music, etc.)
Interactiv art that promotes physical activity, is accesible for people of all abilities.
interactive projections on the walls and ground. Fish Swimming,Blues hockey pucks, bubbles you pop, and baseballs rolling.
kids oriented educational program - arts and or science related, star gazing, making music, etc
Live amature acts youth inspiring events
live concerts/Dj's, plays or musicals, poetry and comedian shows, movie night and dancers.
Live music and performaces. Nodes/ corners/ lots. 2. Small pockets for sound wiith meditative sounds like city garden wall.
Markets and vendors. Also, athletic events.
More options for food in this area. Music would be great here too!
Multicultural story-telling for kids
mural painting parties; games or enrichment for kids
Music, poetry and dance featuring local artist.
Nature walks with birdspotting or plant identification, historical tours
organized races
Plant FOOD GARDENS along the greenway. Apple trees, mulberries, cherries, etc.
Please make the space friendly to street performers!
Portals accessed through a Greenway app that helps to locate and appreciate nearby locations
Protests, workout/walking groups, flea markets
Put an outdoor stage where people can get together to perform or talk and share their ideas
Races, bike and foot
Rest areas with water access and bathrooms!
Rock climbing
Runs, walks, bike races
Senior programs
Should be a lease-able gallery/event space built into the side of a Greenway. Could be a easy way to fund future projects. Space should be free if all proceeds benefit a St. Louis charity/cause.

Verbatim “Other great ideas for events & programming” comments:
soccer park/skooter ramps
something I can connect to on my phone from specific places
Sound being a timed event, right?
Stories via billboards.
THE HISTORICAL EVENTS HELD ON BOTH VANDERVENTER AND NATURAL BRIDGET AND GRAND AVENUE AND NATURAL BRIDGE.
the peace and beauty of NATURE. Safety! cameras, lighting, security guards/police, curfew.
Theater and Pefromance Also, Park (your car) & Ride (your bike) Have bike rental here to cycle downtown for events. (have may locations also Forest Park
Theater and Pefromance and Run/joggin, cycling events . Jogging/cycling/running events that have a historic/educational/food/drink focus.
Theater and Pefromance and splash/water
Theater and Pefromance; group bike rides, 5k, and local farmer market
Theater and Pefromance; Morn scaventer hunts and adventure races. Fairgrounds Park whatever the kids do these days and leaning about nature, ecology and plants
Theater and Pefromance; neighborhood meetings and egagement in the park. A pull off point where people can sit or stop and view or interact.
Theater and Pefromancem & rehab centers
Theatre-open air and/or "a speaker's circle" area protected for free speech & any events. (see University of Missouri speaker circle)
Tie in w/ Cortex MetroLink
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Vendors, bazaars, festivals, opportunities for employment
Walk, Run, Ride (bikes) to various endpoints to intro areas
water feature
water features/fountains at small gathering points w/ shade
Water fountains
Wildlife education, animal welfare education
Yard games;scavenger hunts/riddle game along route: kid friendly activities.
Yoga, exercise activities
yogabuzz, drum circle classes, stargazing, markets, pet adoption
Youth engagement events/performance @ Vashon
Zombies!!

Appendix P

Verbatim art topic comments

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- sustainability - social justice/injustice - St. Louis legacy of cultural erasure of minorities and their communities (mill creek, etc) - gentrification - celebrate our diverse voices - pollution - safety - unity
*help to address - social justice, environmental justice, history,
"Delmar Divide" (history and social justice/hope for the future). Important figures from St. Louis past & present
> social justice > history that's been erased or ignored. the mounds, mill creek, pruit igoe, etc. > natural history - caves! waterways! ecosystems! where are they now?
Adding character to each neighborhood with something that represents that community.
African American experience, immigrant experience, food,
African American History Celebration
African American sports/ history
All of the above!
all of the above, plus, just whimsy and fun
all of the above. But please, prioritize getting safe bike lanes and walkways in before making them beautiful.
All of these plus urban planning and our area's pivotal role in the nation's future.
All the above
All the above.
All topics. But community and the environment and diversity are all important.
Any or all of the examples, plus ageing & sustainability
Archaeology and Native Americans that were here before us (St. Louis is built on mounds), history and social just to represent the slaves and immigrants that helped build the city. Environment as well particularly around the Shaw area as nature preserve is key here.
Architecture, social justice, history
Art for art's sake. celebrate the river, the music, agriculture, stl businesses, musicians, writers.
Art for the sake of Art do we need a reason?
Art installed should be general and inclusive of everyone in this diverse community. Art should not be designed to appeal and reinforce the political opinions of only specific subcultures, which could be unintentionally exclusive and dismissive of others.
Art is a lens through which we see ourselves. Rather than select a topic and find the artist perhaps its best to ask the artist to look at a place and find the topic.
Art should empower the youth in the community, it should be inclusive of all race and economic levels, and it should be passionate about the city.
ART THAT INSTRUCTS THROUGH IMAGES THAT EXPLAIN HOW WE GROW AND HOW WE GROW APART. HOW WE BUILD AND HOW WE DESTROY. GIVE ME PICTURES I CAN READ AND UNDERSTAND THE STORY BEING TOLD.
Art work as a signature landmark at key focal points.

Verbatim art topic comments:
Beauty, edge, innovation
Because I live in Lafayette Square, I think that art can address the history of this beautiful neighborhood.
Bike racks in The Lou. P. S. I'm an artist
biophilic design
Calling out the historic hydrology of the area
Capture history of STL Youth, social justice and environment? too much emphasis on that already...focus on history...art does not have to be a political progressive message.
Climate Change impact and justice
Connecting north and south sides
Connectivity
contemporary local culture.
Cultural history/Idignity.
David Francis, the World's Fair.
Definitely social justice and the history of racism in STL in housing, business, etc. Need to highlight those of color who have excelled against all odds as hopeful sign.
Diversity
diversity
Diversity
Diversity among kids and teachers in the local schools
Diversity of the neighborhoods. Our historic professional sports teams. Our incredible history. Our niche communities.
Diversity, empowerment, skills, visionary thinking, beautification, aspiration
Diversity, inclusion, connections.
Diversity, inclusion, history, hope, environment
Empathy, storytelling
Environment
Environment
Environment
Environment - new park to be constructed along Deer Creek
Environment and Social justice
Environment, architecture and history
Environment, books
Environment, growth, health, sports
Environment, history
Environment, Nature, Beauty
Environment, social justice and history
Environment, social justice, the future
environment, sustainability
Environment.

Verbatim art topic comments:
Environment. Imagine if City Garden stretched from the Arch to Forest Park. The art makes the space so inviting. The security patrols make it a safe space for people to enjoy.
Environmental issues - even if people don't believe in Climate Change, the amount of trash and plastic in our oceans cannot be denied by anyone! People need to realize that recycling is not the solution, but one of the very last options. People need to know that it's better for everyone to be doing zero-waste imperfectly, than one person doing zero-waste perfectly, so yes, every little bit counts! Also, the actions that matter the most are those that are done consistently, so using a refillable water bottle constantly is making a big difference, even if it's just one person. Loss of biodiversity - people need to know that most non-native plants sold by nurseries do not provide any benefits to our local ecosystems, and in some cases, may even become invasive and negatively affect the few surviving animals and plants. People need to know that natives are not just "weedy" and can make a beautiful landscape at home.
Environmental sustainability
Environment-picking up garbage, reducing.
Equality, potential, history
Everything
Experiences of teenagers and young adults both in nature and the built environment. Can this affect their daily lives? What changes do they want?
Food/Interactive Community Murals, Art Food
Forgotten figures of (St. Louis) history-especially focusing on minorities and overlooked communities
Frankly, any form of art can address community topics and issues. However, I would like to see intergenerational art as an expression of our city's history and diversity (broadly defined, not just ethnic diversity) – the good and the bad.
Given that the greenway will be going through Mill Creek Valley it should address redlining, racism, and "urban renewal"
Giving young people something to do
Global warming as an existential threat - solutions to assure having a future on this planet.
Great landscape of the city from Chouteau and Grand. Its a cross roads of business and student and workers
Healing Divisions
Healing, social justice, equity, connection, environment, trauma
health access, social history, capitalizing on st. louis' many positive aspects, the future and benefits of our region
Health promotion
Historical events that occurred here, Famous locals, famous inventions or events involving locals, healing (racial divide), children, celebration of St Louis' diversity. Highlight movies filmed here.
history
History
history
History

Verbatim art topic comments:
History
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HISTORY
HISTORY
History
history architecture local food
History Resurrection Strength in community Common goals of preservation
History & Environment
History / Education / Recreation
History an environment.
History and environment all nature ant beautiful pieces
History and environment for sure. Social justice for sure. Add: interactive art, large scale and small scale art, natural feel art.
History and environment would be a focus in and around our Lafayette Square.
History and environment. Not ignoring the Mississippi to the east, but we used to have quite a few streams in the city. Streams, as are trails, are a system of connection, like a circulatory system. I would like to see that expressed in art. We have several neighborhoods that have great identities. However, we also tend to be rather cliquish. The hope is that art that expresses and illustrates the connections within our city (and region) will help to reduce the barriers of movement, express a more interconnected city.
History and remberence
history and social justice
history and social justice--with a definitive emphasis on youth involvement
History Growth Environment
History is a good choice both good and bad.
History is impotnt.
History of french st louis. History of the homes
History of the city, stories of resurgence, vision for our future.
History of westward expansion The rivers and water of St. Louis
History! A plague or installation as you move form neighborhood to neighborhood would be phenomenal!!
History! More murals of famous St. Louisans. Tennessee Williams, T.S. Eliot, Mark Twain (kinda), Dred Scott, Nelly, Smino, Cedric the Entertainer, Chuck Berry, etc etc. Emphasize the long tradition of innovation and exploration in STL. We need murals that lift people up, make them feel a sense of belonging, of being inspired to be in STL.
History! The good the bad, the ugly
History!! And lots of it!
History, aspirational youth experiences

Verbatim art topic comments:
History, community,
History, connection to nature, Diversity
History, culture, love for sports
History, environment (native plants and animals)
History, environment, future
History, environment, integration and the future.
History, environment, sustainable ecosystem, how we are stronger together, beauty (not all art has to be political. Sometimes just beauty heals the soul.)
History, ethnic diversity, environment
History, offer acknowledgement/reflection of STL's best assets, youth, looks into the city's future, etc.
history, opportunity, potential
History, Restoration, Integration
History, social justice especially forgotten or unknown
history, social justice, environmental protection
history, value/worth of the residents
History, youth
History/
I encourage expressions of social justice and embrace of history of neighborhood. What defines that neighborhood in a unique message.
I have attempted to walk around SSM-SLUH at lunchtime at work and I can only get the S,W,N, sides There is no sidewalk on the east side. Could there be a sidewalk placed along the east side of the new SLUH-SSM building, along South Grand?
I love learning about Mill Creek Valley and Josephine Baker and the old bank at Jefferson and Market.
I think a stronger emphasis should be placed on littering. This summer O'Fallon Community Developing Organization is cleaning up alleys in our community. It is so disheartening to see the never ending trash.
I think art can connect with most topics, but that art connects with people on different levels in different ways. Thus, it is important to have a diverse and inclusive approach to art to connect as many people as possible. We are more alike than we realize, but often the way in which we see that manifests through different forms and mediums.
I think in neighborhoods like mine with changes in income over time its important to have art address the history of the area. I also think having art draw in youth is so important!
I think sites for live music performances would be awesome. In my opinion, no art form brings people together like music. Music also plays an important part in the history of St. Louis, and I feel like I've had a recent awakening to the many current outstanding local musicians we have.
I think that art should not have a political agenda. It should raise the mind to beauty, or perhaps divert with offbeat humor. It can commemorate notable figures but shouldn't be overtly didactic or the viewer will feel talked down to and patronized.

Verbatim art topic comments:
I would emphasize history and the future. St. Louis has long been a source of great innovations (yes, it continues today), so we need to remember how valuable we have been for humanity and to remind ourselves that we are still greatly important.
I would love to see art that brings together different areas and populations in St Louis. Would also love to see some student artists.
identification of neighborhoods and demarcated, general boundaries of same. General wayfinding with logos for each neighborhood
If you build safe places for people to walk and bike, art will happen naturally!
inclusion, environment, tech, education, health & well being, spontaneous thought or imagination.
Innovation, history, and race
Interactive Projections that show local/Midwest art& city/region history.
International welcomeness
Joy, activity, life outside, mobility, place (connection to the location of the art), honor people from St Louis, aspirations
Joy-sense of worth Belonging-security
Justice, spirituality, shared community/life, environment, hope, and dreaming for a bright future together.
Keeping the streets and our communities clean. Helping prevent crime.
Legacy of segregation, gentrification, fear of other
Local history, environment
Mental health awareness Empathy
Mix it up across the trail.
More focus on history and the programs available to everyone, less focus on the ways we're different. We need to show the people of the community working and playing together
native american heritage of River Des Peres; wildlife who call River Des Peres home (either full time or as they migrate through)
natural history--we have a world class zoo and a world class botanical garden, and both represent environment that supports everything else that provides not just the conditions for survival but an amazing quality of life. Let's not forget to celebrate that, too.
new urbanism
No political stuff. It only creates more division for a project meant to join neighborhoods together.
opportunity, optimism, ownership, motivation, inspiration
originality, social progress, growth in all forms.
past, present and future vision
Please, please, please honor the 2000 victims of the 1917 East St. Louis Riot who fled for safety over the MacArthur Bridge to St. Louis. EStL has marked its end of the bridge with a marker (10th&Piggott); please mark the STL end with a suitable work of art.
Political statements (Better Together)

Verbatim art topic comments:
Poverty, abandonment, exclusion, involvement of the people rather than top-down imposition
Prejudice, LGBT community, gender equality, history- sports teams, jazz/blues, the unique architecture of StL
present the diverse talent that local artists in our communities offer
Primarily history. Too much of this has been lost to so many of our residents. Additionally, as a soil and wetland scientist, all APPROPRIATE opportunities to introduce people to environmental issues should be taken. That said, a rain garden is not a wetland and wetlands should be located where they have sufficient predators to control insects. So, appropriateness is tied to having the correct environmental areas in the correct setting.
Racial diversity, environmental way to clean and help etc.
Racial division and equity;
Racial injustice /justice and Ferguson uprising, the shelley house in North St louis, etc
Racism and violence
Racism, displacement, diversity, inclusion, youth
Racism, Gentrification, urban life, concrete jungle, vacant property blight, corruption
Reflect the personality of the neighborhood/district
Safety
sculpture
Social Injustice
Social justice
Social Justice
social justice
Social justice history environment diversity
Social justice history environment diversity
Social justice, cultural diversity, value of urban centers, regional history.
Social Justice, History (for perspective), Community
Social justice, local history, sustainability, education
Social justice, systemic racism, Black history, HOPE, pride and perseverance
Social justice, upcoming events/opportunities, community resource needs, getting to know each other, and reducing violence.
Social justice, youth, violence, history
Social justice. Racial equality . Woke kids
Social justice, youth, community
Suburbanization- showing how highway have impacted city fabric, especially bad where interchanges have been added.
Sustainable energy and development.
technology, health, political art
Telling our history, allowing every demographic to contribute their story and history. To honor all of our stories and contributions to make this community what it is. To show everyone's visions of what this place is and can be.

Verbatim art topic comments:
The future
the history of car culture and the sad legacy of white flight. redlining and urban decay. the power of community and taking a chance on the unknown and people unlike you. the power of rediscovering our connection to nature and living in harmony with it and each other.
The history of St. Louis itself. We need to celebrate our successes, but more importantly, we need to learn from our mistakes - Mill Creek Valley, highway construction, Ferguson, etc.
The history of the city and a future for the city.
the history of the neighborhood
the often untold histories of the area - it would be meaningful for the art to highlight the important stories and people from our community. and yes to youth, social justice, history and environment!
The promise and aspiration of a more connected, vibrant, and healthy St. Louis.
The promise of kids, community and collaboration; history, taking care of our environment and community; education; reading; innovation;
There should be a major emphasis on paying homage to historical social justice issues (i.e. ferguson) as well as a major emphasis on diversity/inclusion/freedom/love.
There should be joy and sorry, beauty and filth, justice and injustice, hope and tragedy, laughter and song.
Thinkers, makers, people who work with their hands and local innovation
To be honest, I think that a lot of art can look junky. I prefer greenery, nature,
Unity within St. Louis.
Visions of the past, present and of the future
Vitality. History. Joy. We have needs for big picture art and art that serves Infrastructural purposes too.
We all have decisions to make for our selves. Right decisions make us productive in a supportive city.
Well...WG isn't really in the city, so...
what topics does art NOT address?
Youth
Youth and history
youth and social justice and history
Youth engagement to help deter crime and encourage personal development.
Youth, diversity, thoughtfulness, building blocks
youth, race
Youth, social justice, history and environment!
Youth. Equality. Play.

Appendix Q

Verbatim “Plugged In” comments

Verbatim “Plugged In” comments:
I am an engineer, and within the community try to practice a way of life rooted in moderation. In decision making it is important to consider the impacts to community beyond simply the financial, and where relevant, make investments to grow the community forward towards our long term values as a city.
I am an artist and a volunteer. I participate in my block events and try to keep aware of happenings throughout the neighborhood.
Active in block association.
Active on my block
Block captain
I am a block captain and I am a board member for my neighborhood.
Yes. I am one of the pastors at my church. I am also a well-networked professional musician and creative professional.
just moved to my area. plugged in primarily through faith community, work in CWE.
I am the pastor of parish in South County
Parish and other social justice organizations.
I have invested in St Louis by staying here and I have invested in Downtown by buying a loft here. If I don't feel safe or like my needs are being met, it should be understandable to want to leave.
I own a home and care about the future of the neighborhood and region.
I have raised a family in the city, sending my kids to city schools, and contributing to my community by being present and involved in schools and my neighborhood. I have more plans for the future.
Community Advocate
I work for a nonprofit that does a ton of community engagement. I have access to lots of school groups that I think would like to connect to this project.
Volunteer tutor for children struggling to read; volunteer for neighborhood: help pull weeds at park, docent for house tour, assist with bike race held in neighborhood.
I talk to people in my community.
Connected to communities and organizations through facilitation and strategic planning
Music education non-profit director
I am a teacher
I am a Commercial Real Estate Research Director and have an academic interest and see major potential for Urban Revival in STL.
I go on extensive walks and runs through several neighborhoods

Verbatim “Plugged In” comments:
We maintain the common area gardens in our neighborhood
Volunteer. I volunteer within my neighborhood (gardening, events). I also volunteer as a tutor to children struggle with reading through a YMCA literacy program.
Volunteer-gardening
I try to maintain my small city yard for pollinators.
I gift \$2300 yearly
Financial support neighborhood and non-profit community organizations; blog on social media sites to keep neighbors informed
I live here, attend events all over the city, especially in central corridor, I run all over too (have to make this trail usable for many uses, run, bike, walk, commuter, etc.) Maybe needs multiple paths on same route to accommodate all those uses. Check out “choke points” in Forest Park path system.
I'm active in community and regional events and issues.
Yes, I live in an intentional community in my community -- hosting many public events
Yes. I hire and employ local design talent, take pride in delivering exceptional projects locally, and participating in economic and development efforts with integrity and honesty. We volunteer our time and expertise on a professional and personal level and place engagement and process at the forefront.
I work in community development and volunteer. I strive to make the little corner of the neighborhood where I live a beautiful place for passersby.
I am a neighborhood leader, artist and volunteer on several committees.
Artist-involved in the neighborhoods organized bodies.
Regional government reorganization task forces, City/County nonprofit (CASA) leadership; longtime participation with the regional Green Building Council. Others
I work in community development in FPSE.
Urban planner and SBD Board member.
I'm on the board at my HOA
Neighborhood organization, condominium board member
I've recently moved back to my hometown so I'm not fully plugged in yet, but I am now on the advisory board of the Lafayette Park Conservancy (because of my expertise in urban wildlife management).
I assist the trustees in my neighborhood
I attend community meetings and keep up with development news.
Member of both neighborhood organizations including board member of Lafayette Park Conservancy

Verbatim “Plugged In” comments:
Neighborhood association board; block captain; other.
SNIA leadership
I have been a trustee of my neighborhood association. I am a professional artist, organizer and decorator. I volunteer in beautification projects in my neighborhood.
I serve on our neighborhood development committee, and am a neighbor that cares. I volunteer a lot with my church, which is in North St. Louis City.
Volunteer, condo assn officer
I am a volunteer in the O'Fallon Park Community Developing Org. Alley Summer Clean Up. My sweet one and only grand daughter, 15 yrs, is also a volunteer. We have already filled over 25 bags with other people's trash. Wow Wee.
I volunteer for SNIA & Shaw NOM.
I volunteer with a couple non-profits and organize a volunteer group affiliated with one of them. I try to pay attention to neighborhood and civic issues.
To some extent, I volunteer for various Lafayette Sq, activities.
Lots of shared interest groups - mindfulness, poetry, acroyoga, yoga, hiking, etc.
Neighborhood association
Attendee at neighborhood meetings
Flora Conservancy of Forest Park Volunteer, Great Rivers Master Naturalist member
I am a member of the LSRC
I am very involved through the Missouri Master Naturalists and the St. Louis Audubon Society
I go to neighborhood association meetings when able
Manage the Lafayette Square Historical Archives
I serve on my neighborhood association's board as Landscape Chair responsible for several green spaces in the neighborhood. I also manage the neighborhood community garden.
I volunteer with the Audubon Society for honeysuckle removal. I'm part of Dogtown Ecovillage. I'm working on transforming my yard from honeysuckle/wintercreeper invaded turf to a pollinator/wildlife habitat. I also try to spread the message that this can be done for any yard with friends and family.
SMALL BUSINESS OWNER, AUTHOR-HISTORIAN, PROPERTY OWNER, LSRC MEMBER AND VOLUNTEER, AND DAILY USER OF LAFAYETTE PARK
I'm a photographer, but I travel a lot for work. I volunteer when I'm able - I always work our house tours and plan to open my home up for a tour in a year or so.
I am an active neighborhood watch person, who cares about my neighbors.
I am a blogger. My blog is about fun and new events in STL
active, online, supportive
No. Facebook.

Verbatim “Plugged In” comments:
No. Read all sources of info.
I’m a member of the Tower Grove South page on Facebook
Sadly I am a bit of a slacker in this area other than donating to our local restoration committee and staying connected through the Next Door website.
Through personal relationships
I'm a government worker with a program in north St. Louis.
Rehabber and multi-property owner. Committed and invested in the city’s growth.
Yes, property manager
homeowner, patron of local small businesses, volunteer with neighborhood association.
By buying local when what I need I'd available.
STAY INFORMED
STAY INFORMED
I volunteer around the west end, participate in big brothers big sisters , arch grants and generally champion anything st louis city related
I've only lived in the city for a year, but I'm a volunteer for a refugee program and a running store in addition to my church
Shaw run Hidden Alley Ranch Community Garden-greenspace.
Neighbor through work 4200 Duncan, bike rider through entire STL metro
Signs in the neighborhood
Aldersperson
All the above
An economic development professional
artist, business owner, politically active
I am all of the above. I work to push my community forward everyday, picking up trash, attending events, organizing meetings, teaching children, creating art in the outdoors, etc.
I am all of these, in one way or another.
Small biz, artist, leader-yes!
Development advice. Block captain. Several boards and foundations. Parent, grandparent.
I am a working Musician.
I am an artist, and active in my ward through participatory budgeting.
I'm a freelance cinematographer and volunteer.
Artist, volunteer
Most often I am a volunteer and an artist. But I am a small business owner doing freelance video game narrative editing for a bid game company in Seattle.
no, but my husband owns a small business and is plugged in

Verbatim "Plugged In" comments:
Startup founder
Still working that out - I am a journalist and small business owner
Small business owner, architect
I have a small business and am a volunteer
Yes. Volunteer and business owner
Small Biz owner, volunteer, commercial event planner,
Small business owner. Volunteer, civic activist.
Former public school teacher and I now work in affordable housing.
Concerned neighbor hoping to see STL continue to grow
I'm a teacher and I have a large captive audience of young adults!
I work near here
An invested resident who hopes to be able to be more actively involved in a few years once some other projects and activities are complete and allow more free time
I attend neighborhood meetings, chat with neighbors, and am a regular at many restaurants/businesses within walking distance of my home.
I know my neighbors well. I try to connect neighbors but I'm not formally a 'leader'
Participant
Participant
Yep. Former Mayor, always communicating with neighbors via mass emails and walking the neighborhood.
Yes. Active neighbor and designer.
A 28 year resident of the 21st Ward. The O'Fallon Community. A Life long city resident.
Neighborhood leader
elected official - and active volunteer around town
I'm a foster parent.
Volunteer-river clean ups, habitat for humanity, etc.
Very
Volunteer
Volunteer
Volunteer
Volunteer
Volunteer
Volunteer
Volunteer
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Volunteer
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Volunteer

Verbatim "Plugged In" comments:
Volunteer
volunteer
Volunteer
Volunteer & long term resident
Volunteer in the community garden.
neighborhood volunteer
non profit volunteer
Sometimes a volunteer.
Volunteer. Former small business owner. But I'm a sucker for donating my time, energy, and ideas.
volunteer. :)
Volunteer, but I would certainly be interested in an increased role.
A volunteer
Frequent volunteer for greenway, trail events; primarily runs/races.
Help at the park!
I am an active volunteer in my neighborhood.
I volunteer, attend church work a few jobs:)
Volunteer leader
Volunteer work only
Volunteer-At Jaa at the Bistro, Messiah Lutheran Church and Messiah Community Center, and Eagle Prep Elementary
Volunteering, clean-up events.
I am a lawyer, a resident, and a volunteer
Not really. Read news. A few days of volunteer. More involved and interested in my neighborhood - Southampton.
Volunteer. I engage in volunteer activities regularly that help me understand the needs and values of my neighbors.
N/a
N/a
n/a - just got here :)
n/a, now living out of town, but am engaged in my community as a neighborhood leader in Hawaii
No
No
No
No
No
No formal connection currently

Verbatim "Plugged In" comments:
No.
None of the above.
Nope
Nope
Not really
Not too plugged in.
that's a good question cause I'm not connected
I support "livable community" design standards!
Resident
Small business owner, Venture Café.
Just an avid observer and participator when I can be.
Could be a volunteer
I am not but I need to be
I am not. I plan to connect with local residents.
I want to be an Urban Planner and Landscape Architect.
I'm not. I'd like to volunteer more.
No, but I would be willing to volunteer for some activities associated with the bike trail.
Not as plugged in as I should be due to lack of time, I hope to have time to look for opps in the near future.
Yes
By proxy im extremely plugged in
I AM NOT CLEARLY DEFINED WITH SELF-IDENTITY. I AM KNOWN.
Real estate brokerage. Very plugged in to the community
Yes
Yes, I am part of Citizen Corps Council of Manchester, MO Community Emergency Response Team Mentor St. Louis 350 STL, climate change group
If I'm not "plugged in"to my community, does that mean my opinions and voice don't matter?

Appendix R

Verbatim “other” comments for best ways to provide feedback

Verbatim “other” comments for best ways to provide feedback:
A neighborhood app on phone like “next door”
And news paper
Block Parties/Local Bar Meet Ups
come to area organization ASPNA
Communication is key.
Communications via NextDoor and Facebook Page
Digital publication
email
Engagement representatives along the greenway
Events at Venture Cafe
Facebook, e-mail, digital engagement
Feedback & Fun Fests, awareness of digial survey on social media
How about digital tours and more virtual meetings. I always want to attend meetings, but often lunch and evening activities are hard to coordinate with daily life
Identify areas that need section of exisiting trails connected. I can ask if our neighborhood would appreciate an informational presentation.
Involve food as much as possible
Nextdoor Social Media
Open house events in public space
public notice in media referencing the website
Routes aren't close, though we could bike to start. So perhaps digital survey?
Security for users is the #1 concern and will make or break this.
survey people through existing meetings (like churches and Jaycees and groups that are already coming together in trusted environments).
The west end is full of condos and neighborhoods, would love for volunteers to attend building/neighborhood meetings
video tour
Virtual walks of the options and posted to neighborhood pages and next door.
Walk or bike tour w/ social type stops...like a tour crawl. Make it as fun as it is informative

Appendix S

Verbatim “other” comments for ways to play an active role on greenway

Verbatim “other” comments for ways to play an active role on greenway:
Actively promote benefits.
Apply for outreach and event jobs or volunteer
Be active on the greenway, more people=more eyes.
Create groups to take 'ownership'
Donate Money and have the ability to see how much money has been donated towards a set goal so I can keep track of the progress/momentum
facilitate cycling education
Get neighbors to get on the greenway and experience it!
Greenway mentor progream with Preteens.
Help design communication vehicles for the neighborhood, e.g., names of residents on a block, email lists or communication better than Facebook or next door, etc.
I do this now, I need a GRG broom:)
I would be buried with trash, if I didn't pick it up EVERY DAY!!
I would like to be a part of a beautification committee. Anywhere /all over the city of St. Louis
I'm an urban wildlife biologist--see my additional comments in section #20 below.
Include Lafayette Square in the Greenway project
Just enjoy the spaces w/ family and friends and encourage use.
n/a - have since moved from St. Louis
Participate in chalk art day
Plant flowers/maintain rain gardens. Ensure there are ample trash cans at good intervals to reduce litter.
Project Vision & Development
Provide design services
Provide ground-level info to project leaders
Request open spaces be made inviting by addressing the issue of homelessness at the civic level.
Safety group walks
Since it will not be in my neighborhood, connecting the existing bike path to the greenway, outreach to the biking community to raise awareness and possibly begin planning to connect it to the greenway.
Sponsor/worked sponer events such as Earthday.
Support leadership and planning skill training for the next generation so we can sustain this positive development in future generations
use it! and encourage others to use it too
Use it often, being a presence so people aren't alone.
Utilize it for daily transportation and encourage others to do so
Volunteer

Verbatim “other” comments for ways to play an active role on greenway:
Volunteer accountin/office services.
Volunteer for events, listen and give feedback
Volunteer to help a governance entity
vote
Well, we tried to get on a design team.... ;)
Write in local publication.

Appendix T

Verbatim current feeling comments

Verbatim current feeling comments:
...wishful that the metro area had better public transportation. My standard for that is Pilsen, Czech Republic.
1. Impressed by the thought and work done so far 2. Impressed by the number of participants 3. Curious about who all the participants are and who's a volunteer vs a paid staffer (for whomever). I was on the ArchCityRiver's Citizen Advisory Advisory Committee and wonder how people were invited to participate in the Gateway Greening project. Was there a public call? 4. Puzzled by why Tower Grove South isn't one of the named neighborhoods. 4. Hopeful that the project will move forward successfully.
a little confused, but tentatively excited!
a little wary that it's being driven by well-meaning but trendy inclinations. I wish the Greenway were focused more narrowly on (what should be) its core mission of creating pleasant corridors for people to walk or bike.
A sense of belonging.
About the same
Amazing! I LOVE this - this is what STL needs.
Anxious about the quality of management. This isn't rocket science. A clean separated-lane bike highway with landscaping, access and lighting is 99% of the goal. This survey's emphasis on art & cultural engagement makes me worried that the program will mess up the basics.
Anxious to start!
Apprehensive. When do we get to see renderings of route designs? Especially the nitty-gritty of layout, materials, lighting, benches along the route. Really confused by the question of "who will maintain the greenway"? Doesn't GRG receive dedicated tax money to do that work? If that's not adequate, consider looking at your staffing/consulting levels and spend more money on maintenance and design and less on engagement. High quality greenways are their own advertisement! Public art is welcome, but the priority has to be on building the highest quality, safest greenway possible or no one will use it. I've seen some renderings that indicate painted bike lanes as an option, these are inadequate at protecting bicyclists and pedestrians from large automobiles. Local traffic planners at CBB and PGAV could be of assistance. As well as these FHWA guidelines: https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/bicycle_pedestrian/publications/separated_bikelane_pdg/page00.cfm
Better
Can't wait to see everything come together!
Cautiously hopeful
CAUTIOUSLY HOPEFUL.
Cautiously optimistic.

Verbatim current feeling comments:
excited about prospects
Excited about St. Louis and what we can accomplish. Maybe I'll stick around.
Excited about the greenway
Excited about the potential, and hopeful that it provides a truly safe, efficient and sustainable option for bike commuters in the city (among the many other important goals of the project)
Excited about this forward-thinking plan, optimistic that it can better our city, hopeful that it will improve walkability for city residents, visitors/tourists
Excited and energized.
excited and engaged
Excited and looking forward to seeing the start and finish
Excited and optimistic but concerned about ongoing upkeep and safety
Excited but concerned about the environmental impact and what kinds of specific plantings will be used and how they will be managed
Excited can't wait for this project
Excited for my neighborhood someday!
Excited for the construction to start
Excited for the future of STL.
Excited for the future of the Greenway.
excited for the future.
Excited for the potential to do create a bold and signature St. Louis greenway that attracts national attention.
Excited for what's to come!
excited to see it happen!
Excited to see it progress
Excited!
excited!
Excited!
Excited!
Excited!
Excited! As a Lafayette Square resident I would love to see the greenway connect to Lafayette Park and to further help connect us to our surrounding neighborhoods and new visitors.
Excited!!
Excited, despite the fact that this does not include my neighborhood. I will love seeing this come to fruition for those that will enjoy it up close and personal and for those of us that get to visit.
excited, hopeful
Excited, hopeful, cautious
Excited, I can't wait for the north-south connections that our city so desperately needs.

Verbatim current feeling comments:
Excited, I was talking about it the other day and am glad to hear it continues on.
excited.
Excited.
Excited.
Excited. We need a city that can be traveled and explored outside of a car. So many benefits to greenways!
exciting, if all routed are being existed, then more people can have easy access to grocery stores by walking and biking w/o a car.
fine
Frustrated that local design talent is not leading and engaged throughout. We held an international competition to select a design team, only to have the process handed off, behind closed doors, to local partners who can afford to donate their time and services. Local practitioners with actual knowledge of the place, ecosystem, environment, social communities and design typologies were ignored and passed over. Another project designed by white dudes for white dudes.
Glad
Glad.
good
Good - connecting all these neighborhoods is great. But, I am also anxious about safety and insuring a good experience by everyone. Security will be important.
Good about it
Good. I would to be able to transit on the greenway (walking or biking) with my family across St Louis City to instill a sense of awareness and ownership of the wider city to my children.
Great
Great. Looking forward to if being built and maintained.
Happy
happy
Happy that people are working to connect people w/ many different neighborhoods.
Happy that planning has got us here and there is consideration for maintaining connections and the greenway for the future. Overwhelmed at the degree of education and participation needed for a sustainable greenway.
Happy!
Happy.
Hope for the future.
hopeful
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Hopeful
Hopeful

Verbatim current feeling comments:
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hopeful about my community.
Hopeful about what we will end up with.
Hopeful and excited
hopeful and exited
Hopeful and positive about St. Louis and our future.
Hopeful and skeptical. I'm hopeful this project is not just another silver bullet project that goes only half-finished. St. Louis does not need another "trans-formative" project that's subsidized by the community but fails to actually benefit the people in the City. We need real investment and completed visions that uplift everyone, especially those who need it most. All that being said, I have my doubts this will benefit the most marginalized in our community. What protections exist for those people? What systems are in place so the project does not gentrify and displace?
hopeful but cautious. While I value outreach, I wonder when good designs will be presented that elevate a vision. I liked the original plan for the greenway because it did just that

Verbatim current feeling comments:
(regaining a surface watershed from the sewershed, green space through the heart of the city, perfect commuter trail system to downtown)
Hopeful for truly connecting N/S together.
Hopeful that it will be created and completed in my lifetime.
hopeful that it'll actually happen
Hopeful that one day we'll get back the park area that once was Chouteau's Pond. A place where everyone can swim, play, walk, cycle and just BE together.
Hopeful that there can be a green space with a dedicated bike trail that would allow me to commute the 3 miles to work on my bike.
Hopeful!
Hopeful!
Hopeful!
Hopeful, though it seems to be trying to everything to everybody
HOPEFUL.
hopeful.
Hopeful. Creating more useable space for getting people out of cars and talking to others is great. I'm lucky to live near forest park and it makes me so happy to see all sorts of people enjoying St. Louis
Hopeful;excited
I am very excited! I have walked, ran, and rode a bike at a lot of the parks in the area but now they are starting to get connected! How cool is that?!
I don't know. It's really not in my neighborhood, but I hope it will be a positive impact.
I feel like there are a lot of high level buzzwords being used but little concrete planning is evident. I will be more curious about actual designs rather than answering this type of question.
I really like the idea
I think you are in real danger of mission creep and you need to prioritize objectives. As much as I support the intangible objectives, where is your design? Focus on the main east route and make it spectacular and the rest will come. Make it route Residents and tourists flock to and the other goals will be achievable. Keep it simple,focused and create a powerful,safe route and it will be a success.
I'm so excited for what impact this Chouteau Greenway will have on Urban Revival in STL and along with other key projects will no doubt amount to an incredible comeback for this City over the next 10-15 years.

Verbatim current feeling comments:
<p>I'm very distraught that the list of neighborhoods connected to the Greenway did not include Lafayette Square. This is an dumbfounding omission. L. S. is right next to the Greenway and could easily be connected by a dedicated bridge on 21st St. over the railroad tracks. The absence of this link cuts both ways: it would not only deprive L. S. residents access to the trail, it would also deprive trail-users of access to a beautiful neighborhood and gorgeous historic park and to all the other neighborhoods for which L. S. serves as a gateway. L.S. is adjoined by Soulard, McKinley Hts., and in turn by Benton Park and further neighborhoods going south that would also be cut off. The only way to get to the Greenway from L. S. without a dedicated bridge would be either 18th St., which has no bike lane, or Jefferson, which does but which is very scary and unpleasant to use in view of the traffic, the severe incline of the overpass, and the noise and car exhaust of the traffic. My personal worry is that the committees in charge of this project have gotten so caught up into making it a vehicle of social change that they've lost sight of the basic purpose. I skipped some survey questions because they seemed greatly far afield from the subject of bicycling. I don't see how a bicycling project can expand to provide the array of social services that seem to be implied by these questions with without spreading itself way too thin--and ironically probably not doing anything much for genuine social change. The root causes of the social problems of St. Louis lie deeper than lack of diversity (see my note about one-party rule elsewhere in this survey), and to try to overcome them via a bicycle trail project is like rearranging the deck chairs on the Titanic. Please keep your eyes on the thing you can do effectively: make a great trail that connects ALL the adjoining neighborhoods. I for one will rarely use a trail that I can't conveniently get to. I'd rather bike through back streets as I always have. I'm sure that many other avid bicyclists on the south side will follow in my pedal strokes and just avoid a trail that bypassed my area of town.</p>
Included, if it goes to St. Louis park.
Inspired
inspired, always thankful for the new that is taking place in our city.
interested
Interested in the outcome.
Invested
Invested
involved, proud
It will take a very long time to get the project off the ground. I would like to see a ground-breaking and some concrete activity take place.
Left out. Lafayette Square doesn't appear to have been part of the plan at all. Too bad.
Like I want it to go through Lafayette Square!
Like I'll get to know a lot more people that are my city neighbors and that we'll share our love for the greenway and a way for our families to safely move around the city without using a car, regardless of their background
Like I'm a little late to the party but at least there is a party
Like in heaven

Verbatim current feeling comments:
Like more parks, shade and plants are coming
Like the expectations of it may be too high. It is a greenway, and i fear that the the aspirations for it to resolve our city's social equity issues may be disproportionate to the project's capacity to achieve this. While equitable access / treatments throughout the greenway should be a baseline "given", and the facility can help improve the city's equity gap, the deeper inequities driving the discussion will require investments and processes targeted at the root social issues.
Like the quality of life in Saint Louis is being considered and attempts are being made to raise it.
Like we are heading in the right direction but that we absolutely must do it faster. I support all diversity, inclusion and economic empowerment initiatives, we need all of them. However, we need to be careful and ensure we are building a region that is economically healthy enough to support and advance those that need our help the most. We often settle on the popular narrative of focusing all efforts on those initiatives, but we have to consider the often less buzzworthy narrative of making the region very attractive to the largest and most profitable private and public corporations. The type that give those we are trying to help a very realistic and tangible chance. I know it's often relabeled as 'corporate welfare' but we are in a dangerous spot in STL. We are losing young people, corporate operations and headquarters and thousands of high paying jobs. This is happening at an alarming rate, and should be one of our top priorities to address. I would love to see STL economically strong again so we have the means to help all of our citizens succeed.
like you're missing the point of a "greenway" the emphasis should be on nature, not art. If yo want art, think in terms of beautiful benches, attractive bike racks, etc.
More aware. More interested in seeing more.
more informed and more interested
More like the Greenway will happen.
More then ever, Lafayette Square Is a perfect connector to open education,history, art of our area to other areas on the Chouteau Gateway.
Motivated to do something for community.
much better about how Saint Louis' approach to the urban environment
N/A
No comment, yet
Not quite sure. I have mixed feeling about it a what I entails and will bring to the neighborhood.
not sure of the purpose and cost of this project.
Not very interested. I bike all the time, but bike less in StL because of the threat of violence, beatings of bikers, thugs that roam streets and trails.
ok

Verbatim current feeling comments:
Ok. I am cautiously optimistic, but know that REAL change requires both political will, and innovative thinking. This would be a great anchor for a future of integrated bike and pedestrian infrastructure that brings people TO the city, not THROUGH the city.
optimistic
Optimistic about connecting neighborhoods in St. Louis.
Positive about its current and future direction
Positive. As a user of existing greenways and having seen what greenway networks can do in other communities this is among the most important projects in the area
Proud
PROUD
PROUD
Proud
Proud and optimistic
Proud of my community.
proud of our community
Proud of the vision for this greenway; optimistic that it will better STL on many levels; hopeful that the paths it creates, though physical, will foster a sense of social interconnectedness among city neighborhoods and residents.
Proud to be a St. Louisan as long as the project completes on time and on budget without government interference.
Ready for it to be a reality. I would love for it to connect somehow to more neighborhoods (like my own.) is there potential for future connections to spur off of the route to connect other existing amenities/neighborhoods? Also: I think it is vital that the route chosen is one that goes through places that people want/ need to go. If the route is along the "path of least resistance" like along the rail corridor, it's not connecting people to the places we have already built up. Must put this path IN neighborhoods and going past businesses (both job centers and service/amenity types.) Also: potential for housing to be built along the route should be considered too. TOD type housing that has easy access to trail and transit. And get the zoning powers that be on board to allow that to occur. (See planned development in Lafayette Square corner of Chouteau and Jefferson. That needs to be integrated somehow.)
Ready for it to start already. Move move move!!!
Ready to bike to a Cardinals game.
Really excited. I've been wanting it for so long. I'd love to safely and easily bike, rollerblade, or walk to forest park or downtown to work or just to explore new neighborhoods. I lived in Boston with a great public transportation system and I miss easily getting from one place to another. This way I can avoid cars and use a scooter.
Sad that my neighborhood is not included
socially just
Somewhat hopeful yet disheartened that we are still soooo far from achieving this.
that it's being handicapped by mission-creep

Verbatim current feeling comments:
that the project is on the right track
The range of questions asked above are making me feel like leadership is starting to lose focus on the primary purpose of this greenway. St. Louis suffers from disconnected areas with large swaths of undeveloped, unproductive land. Please stay true to the mission of connecting disconnected areas of strength in order to catalyse the development of the in-between areas, growing our population and economy. Anything that strays from this mission is an unnecessary distraction. And thank you for all of your hard work.
This project makes me feel inspired to see St. Louis growing forward into the future of American society where community and sustainability are at the heart of how we design.
This survey is very odd--you didn't ask for any feedback at all. Many of the responses were just reiteration with different words. I am concerned about the route shown on the map-- why isn't Tower Grove Avenue being considered. 39th street and Grand are too close together.
Uncertain as to how we in the 21st Ward will be included.
Uplifted, optimistic for world class inclusion for all law abiding citizens.
Very excited about the future of St. Louis
Very excited for a strategic vision for this urban development program.
Very recreational.
While all the ancillary goals are important (art, community engagement, etc.), I feel this survey misses on the main goal: building new trails. For me, the connectivity provided by the trails is the most important thing, and should be the focus. The other goals do not have to be completed at the time of trail opening.
Wistful for a better St. Louis.
Wistful for a better St. Louis.
worried it is way too politically charged

Appendix U

Verbatim future feeling comments

Verbatim future feeling comments:
...that St. Louis can be a world class city.
1. SIGNIFICANT NEW CONNECTIVITY BETWEEN AND AMONG THE CITY'S CONSTITUENT RESIDENTS, AND GREATER CONNECTIVITY WITH STL COUNTY RESIDENTS. 2. THAT GREENWAY DESIGN DECISIONS PROVIDE FOR DIRECT CONNECTIONS BETWEEN MY LAFAYETTE SQUARE NEIGHBORHOOD AND THE GREENWAY THAT ARE CURRENTLY MISSING.
A part of it. Bring it to the 21st Ward and O'Fallon Park.
A part of nature.
A sense of peace and comfort
A sense of place
able to bike safely
Able to get downtown via bike without worrying about motorists
Active and connected. This is a special opportunity to make all of St. Louis City feel accessible - especially the forgotten sections of our community. However, this will only happen with action at the city and state level as well. We need to reopen streets, destroy our senseless bollards, and repopulate along the new Greenway routes. We DO NOT need more green space for the sake of green space - we need access and connectivity. Let's take better care of our wonderful public parks and green spaces that already exist, while fostering vibrancy through dense, urban development.
Active, safe while biking, engaged with a diverse population, educated.
Active.
Adventurous
alive and healthy
As though I live in a connected, integrated, and walkable/bike-friendly urban community.
As though I live in a connected, integrated, and walkable/bike-friendly urban community.
As we grow our amenities, which include products like housing, bike paths, attractions, the MLS team, etc, people will gradually realize what an amazing City we've built and it will attract more people not just for consumption but for production, which ultimately will grow our economic base, reputation and desirability as a place live.
At home.
Awesome because it means St Louis is moving itself and its people forward
Better connection between my neighborhood and the rest of St. Louis without relying on a car
better than ok...relaxed
Bigger sense of community
Calm and peaceful
comfy
Connected
Connected

Verbatim future feeling comments:
connected
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Connected
Connected
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Connected
Connected
Connected
Connected and empowered
Connected and excited to exercise.
connected and safe
Connected and safe
Connected to a broader Community, and proud of StL.
Connected to creation, connected to neighborhoods, connected to people.
Connected to my community, eager to be outside, excited to explore
Connected to other areas of St. Louis
Connected to other generative spaces. Places where you can sit and watch All The World go by safely.
Connected to other neighborhoods and less car dependent for exploration of the city
connected to others that appreciate the combining of city and nature and that wish the best success for these kinds of projects for the future of our city.
Connected to the city!!!!!! (See above).
Connected to the city, though I live in the county
Connected to the city. Continuous protected multi-use paths that allow freedom of mobility between all our neighborhoods, unimpeded by automobiles.
Connected to the people, culture, and history of St. Louis
Connected, but feeling safe is huge. I quit riding my bike after the Michael Brown episode...feeling safe is a huge issue, or the lack thereof, rather real or contrived.
Connected, included, clean, healthy
Connected, united
Connected. Home.
connected. I want it to be a fun place for all St. Louisans to hang out, be around each other, and get around the city.
ecstatic
Energetic

Verbatim future feeling comments:
Energized and proud. Want it to feel like a welcoming space for all
Engaged and participatory with the everyday use of it. Liberated from needing a personal vehicle
Enriched and entitled, in a social perspective.
even more proud!
excited about the city's future.
Excited and optimistic
excited to be outside and safe while using it
Excited to go there, invited, welcome, safe
Excited to ride on adventures to parts of the city that were previously inaccessible by bicycle, and safe riding to work no matter the weather.
fine
Free
Free
Freedom to move in a well designed space where I feel a sense of place
Glad to be part of the city and that the city is green, clean and modern
Good about the city and safe spending time on the greenway
Good about this great project in our city!
Grateful.
Great. Food deserts problems. Maybe it can solve.
Greater bicycle access to areas that are currently not easy to reach or present traffic or crime dangers.
Happy
happy
Happy and close to Lafayette Square!
Happy clean and safe. There should be trees and greenery everywhere blocking people from the noise of cars and big building.
Happy, safe, and proud of my City.
Happy, safe, energetic, connected
Healthy
I can't wait
I just want some nice open spaces and parks.
I want the greenway to make me feel like I have a safe alternative to vehicular travel. While it is true that one can ride their bike on the street, it is not always true that it feels safe to do so. Having a strong network of greenways and dedicated bike lanes shows St. Louis has commitment to creating safe alternatives to biking within motorized traffic and taking a long term approach in shaping how the community will develop.
I want to hear and see news about the youth groups that are using or volunteering on the greenway.
I wish it would connect to Lafayette Square Park
immersed in outdoors of plants and trees

Verbatim future feeling comments:
included and safe
Included. Very disappointed that the focus is North, and the Lafayette Square and Compton Heights neighborhoods are ignored in the design
Inspired by an outdoor experience in the middle of the city so that I'm always encouraged to be an active member of the population.
inspired to explore more places.
Involved with the future of St. Louis
Involved/proud.
Lafayette Square is a unique and special part of our city's heritage.
like a place I can go for meditation, exercise and time outdoors.
Like being active is easy and safe, and that I can safely get to my work partners and church on the north side on my bike.
Like cyclists are a valued part of the community. That St. Louis is doing something to combat climate change -- not relying on car transportation for everybody.
like I am in a beautiful natural environment.
Like I am in a world-class city with a lot of great stuff going on that welcomes ALL comers.
Like I can access anywhere in the city safely! I love the idea of biking anywhere.
Like I can discover something each time i use it. That it provide a centering influence.
Like I can get anywhere by foot or bike without worrying about cars. Like the city cares about people
Like I can get anywhere easily on a bike
Like I can quickly travel from one place to another within the city, do so safely, and while enjoying the sights and interacting with St. Louisans.
Like I can walk anywhere I need to go and that we have green space in every neighborhood.
Like i want to move back
like I want to show it off to everyone I know
Like I want to use it a lot,
Like I'm a part of this.
like I'm in a celebration of the City.
Like it's a space for people but also an appropriate place for native flora and fauna to live
Like it's safer to get from one place to another w/o relying on a car! having dedicated pathways would be amazing.
Like it's viable for me & my neighbors to bike instead of drive.
Like my city finally did something REALLY bold and listened to residents
Like our region is starting to compete on a national level, and that our neighborhoods are starting to get tied back together.
Like St. Louis is a big playground. How the City Museum makes kids feel. St. Louis should feel like that.
like St. Louis is a leader in community involvement
Like the city is being made whole and harmonious.
like the St. Louis I've always dreamed of is here.

Verbatim future feeling comments:
Lured into new opportunities/experiences.
magnificent
More community in our neighborhoods
More connected
more connected and engaged with the city
more connected to my city
More connected to my City
More connected to other neighborhoods and amenities.
More connected to other neighborhoods and their residents.
More connected.
N/A
Nurtured!!
optimistic
Part of a bigger community
part of a bigger, better thing
Part of a proud community that is forward thinking
Peaceful
peaceful, connected and proud of StL progress on respecting animals and nature
Pride in my city.
Proad to see the ribbon of connection from our riverfront west word
Proud
proud
proud
Proud
PROUD
PROUD
proud
Proud (of my community and what they achieved together)
Proud and confident that it will achieve its goals and that the community will support it long-term.
Proud and happy.
Proud and more connected to other neighborhoods.
Proud as a city resident to raise a family here. Today crime has me concerned to raise a family here.
Proud for St Louis
proud of another community gem safe commuting to work.
Proud of my city
proud of my city
Proud of my community
Proud of my community.

Verbatim future feeling comments:
Proud of my neighbors & city
Proud of myself
Proud of St Louis
Proud of St. Louis
Proud of St. Louis
Proud of STL!
proud of STL's inclusion
Proud to be a St. Louisan
Proud to be living in St Louis
Proud to call this city my home
Proud to have had a hand in it.
Proud, connected, safe. I want a beautiful, safe corridor that draws me to the journey to explore the City.
Proud, hopeful for connection accros the community
Proud, safe, connected, etc.
Proud, safe, inspired, and happy.
Proud.
Prouder of what has been accomplished
Ready to explore the city more
ready to ride
refreshed as i ride throughout the city.
Relaxed
relaxed and connected
Safe
safe
safe
Safe and connected
Safe and exited
Safe and inspired
Safe and invited.
Safe and limitless.
Safe and relaxed
Safe and secure in my neighborhood. A sense of community belonging, inclusion is important.
safe and upscale like the highline in NYC
safe as a biker and connected to the rest of the city
Safe from this crazy St. Louis drivers and connected to the places I want to go
Safe to possibly use it.
Safe to use it and proud of our city!
safe, active

Verbatim future feeling comments:
safe, educated, proud and content.
Safe, engaged, and proud to use and show to visitors
Safe, happy and connected to areas I would not have rode my bike before.
safe, healthful, engaged/connected with the surrounding community and fun
Safe, included and proud.
Safe, included, invested
Safe. I want to safely commute by bike or scooter or walk in a quiet, tranquil green space.
safer through a reduction in carbon emissions by converting some of St. Louis' concrete and toxic sites into green space.
Satisfied.
Satisfied-I want it to be GREEN not just a road but a parkway.
Secure and connected
st louis is part of a natural environment
that I can move around my city in a safe way. Also, part of nature with all the native plants and pollinators that are sure to visit!
that I can walk more safely through the city; that I live in a progressive city.
that Saint Louis is more connected and safe.
The increase in accessible bike/walking
the joy of being in a city. I want some of the beauty that one feels along the High Line in NYC and not a corridor for propaganda.
the urge to get outdoors.
There is natural peace that can be enjoyed, even within the city limits of Saint Louis!
Together with my neighbors, near and far.
valued as a resident of the region, since I hope this will be a desireable addition to the city that is available to the general public
very good because there will be many activities to complete up and down the greenway.
Welcome
Welcome and healthy
WELCOMED and CULTURALLY REPRESENTED
WELCOMED, APPRECIATED, A PART OF AND VALUE TO THE REGION.
Welcomed. Healthy. Proud.

Appendix V

Verbatim additional comments

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A connection from Lafayette Sq. To the Chouteau Greenway
An email update when timelines and phases are ready to share would be nice.
as a commuter and pedestrian I am excited to see north and south routes prioritized first because there are already many ways to move east and west - via public transit and vehicles in STL
As a resident of Lafayette Square, I would love my neighborhood to be part of the Greenway. This neighborhood is so close to the proposed route and has a lot to offer in terms of infrastructure, walkability, and green spaces! It would be a shame not to tap into this existing resource. There is a group of us here who are deeply committed to protecting/optimizing green spaces and enhancing the historic neighborhood by implementing native planting practices. In addition to individual efforts, volunteerism is used to plant and maintain our public spaces. That means there is already a "workforce" in place that could be tapped into, and perhaps expanded, to actively participate in the Chouteau Greenway.
As you may know, I'm on the Board of the Greenway Foundation
big supporter of connected walking and biking trails
Care about St Louis
City planning and implementation programs
Civic participation
Clean up projects w. free beer/ activities are a great way to get more people involved in their neighborhood and make feel and look better.
Communication and other needed projects within the scope of my current job.
Community based projects are proven ways to bring people together. That is important for a community that has historically worked to separate people
Connect Lafayette Square!
Connectivity to greenspace and attractions is primary goal and willing to make that happen
Distribute literature to neighbors.
Email updates
Focus groups.
God Bless
goodness this was a long survey
Green spaces are SO IMPORTANT. Community investment in the appearance of their neighborhood is vital.
Help with design, planning and education.
hope that this project is worth the money when it's done
HOPE.
I am anxious to take to the trail as both a biker, hiker and community champion
I am busy but would like to go for events or for a walk.

Verbatim additional comments:
I am happy to see continued progress on the St. Louis greenways, and I hope the River Ring continues to develop as the next ten years unfold.
I am rather surprised that the Greenway plans as they currently stand bypass Lafayette Square completely. That is a huge shame, especially given development plans for Chouteau.
I am very interested in how this project can facilitate the development of affordable housing near and along the greenway.
I believe visual identity that flows from area to area should be a top priority. I have been a family entertainment designer for over 45 years. How wonderful to ride or walk from area or park and get a graphic glimpse of it's culture!
I bike to work, Forest Park, and other locations frequently. I'd be happy to help provide the perspective of a bike commuter for route planning.
I care and believe. I'd like to see Lafayette Square be part of the plan, I can't believe this safe, restaurant filled, gem of a neighborhood, so full of important firsts and St. Louis history, would be left out of the plan. I feel it would be a terrible miss, just like not being able to run Metrolink down the Hwy 40 corridor. Thanks for the survey giving us a voice and chance to put in our thoughts for consideration.
I care deeply about STL and I am open to any and all opportunities to make the city even better, both for the current residents and future ones.
I could contribute best helping with research, reviewing and giving feedback on plans, or helping write or edit. I could also participate in small group planning of events, programs, or next steps.
I have great resources for art, construction
I have personally benefited from this and similar projects and wish to share with others.
I lead our urban conservation work for The Nature Conservancy in Missouri and am interested to explore how our organization could help support certain aspects of the project
I like helping make things look good. I have lots of ideas. I'm better as a helper than as a leader.
I like to bike and would like to use these paths
I like to walk and I like landscapes packed with foliage.
I look out my kitchen window and can look down upon the Christy Greenway Trail. It is beautiful, even when River Des Peres turns it into a small lake. I drive for a living and enjoy seeing all the places that have the GRG logo. I realize that this has been a huge undertaking and would like to contribute back.
I love my city, and I want everyone to feel part of this project and proud to call St. Louis home. I'd happily volunteer for something that connects previously separate neighborhoods.
I love my hometown of Saint Louis and want it to excel in its embrace of the urban environment
I love riding bikes
I love riding my road bike and my hybrid bike. I want to be healthy and active, and biking to work the 3 miles from downtown to Forest Park should be doable. I think this project could help lots of people increase access to health and economic opportunity through the culture of bicycling.

Verbatim additional comments:
I love the equity focus! Would participate in art events and trash clean up
I love the feedback opportunities and transparent process-keep that up! I would love to help plan or volunteer an event. I would join in restoration/clean up/ maintenance volunteer days. And I'm open to other opportunities to be involved.
I love the ideas but I think it's really important to be realistic.
I love this City. I have travelled the world and believe St Louis is a hidden gem and could become a world class city.
I really hope that Lafayette Square, which is so close to the proposed greenway, will be linked to the route. It would a shame to overlook this resource which has a so much to offer. It's a neighborhood that already has green spaces that are well-loved and is used for weddings, concerts and music events, art events, history tours. You could tap into our active group of neighborhood volunteers who help tend to the park and community garden and plan social events. We have artists and business people living here who may also be an asset to this project. Please don't leave us out!
I really liked the idea of walking/biking tours of the route. Please have as many tours as possible at all stages of the design and construction process. Perhaps reach out to Trailnet to help facilitate.
I really think this could be huge for STL and I'd like to help anyway I can. I respond best to emails to let me know what volunteer jobs need to be done and when.
I really want this to happen, especially the connection between TGP & forest park. Let me know how to help
I value the good work you are all doing in this region. You are improving our quality of life in multiple ways.
I want it to be a catalyst for future greenway and bike infrastructure expansions. I want it to the standard for what bike infrastructure should be, and I want it to challenge the city and state officials to do better and invest more in alternative modes of transportation and the health of the City and its residents.
I want the city to move forward in anyway possible. It's a great city and I'd like to be a part of making it better and changing the reputation it has.
I want to be an advocate for bike/pedestrian paths and help transition our city away from cars.
I want to bring in all families and the local school district in the project.
I want to help create safe spaces for those in St. Louis that don't have a safe space for their children to play. Through my work relationships I have learned that many parents don't feel safe letting their kids play in their own yard. I hope this can be an easily accessible outlet for many of those families.
I want to see Chouteau's Pond come back!
I want to see St. Louis grow and become better and have better and more diverse transportation infrastructure.
I wish I had more time to volunteer.
I would be willing to volunteer my time to participate in leadership activities. Example: I was a member of the Citizen Action Committee for the CityArchRiver project.

Verbatim additional comments:
I would like to be contacted to provide input for North-St. Louis residents and how they will personally benefit from and be impacted by these projects.
I would like to be involved in any of the steering committees or working groups. I have an avid interest in landscape architecture design, urban planning, cycling, and sustainable urban development/re-use.
I would like to help craft the vision for connectivity of transit modes
I would like to know how close you are to funding various components of the project as well as a transparent call for local resident funding by which people can donate money towards a \$ goal. Would be great to be able to monitor progress towards goal/momentum. Could have public "Equitable Equity Raises" that can allow local residents to feel like they are contributing to the cause financially if they choose to do so. Would also be interesting test limiting the donations to people who reside/work in the zip codes the Greenway will run through to assess explicit community support, etc.
I would like to see about connecting my neighborhood to the greenway. We are already on the bike saint louis path, so the possibility is there. I would be willing to do what I can to facilitate this.
I would love to see Lafayette Park be part of the Chouteau Greenway! It would be a missed opportunity to not include it!
I would very much love to be involved, but I couldn't feel committed to a project that wasn't itself committed to connecting to my own neighborhood.
I'm a teacher and a track/cross-country coach. I would love to use the development of this project as an example of sustainable/equitable connections in urban design & to use it as a running/training route for myself and for athletes.
I'm trying to give you seasoned feedback I am very concerned that there is no connection to Lafayette Park and I feel that that is a serious error. Connecting vibrates our city neighborhoods will stimulate other areas and illuminating them will threaten the success of the overall
I'd like to convince folks that South City is worthy of inclusion and full of creative, active and participatory people.
I'd like to get more information on which plants will be established, and how they'll be chosen. I'd be terribly disappointed if we don't do 100% natives, as there is always a great native substitute for any of the nursery-recommended non-native plants. I'm wondering if Mitch Leahman at the Bring Conservation Home program from the Audubon Society has been consulted at all, as they have extensive knowledge and experience on this. Also, I think it'd be very useful to have plant name signs on a lot of the cool natives, as many people will want to plant in their own yards, but will have no idea what to ask for when buying. Another thing, people will need to know that cultivar varieties may not provide the same benefits as a straight native, so posters on native plant education should also mention that. Water features to provide water for the birds, butterflies, and other pollinators would also be extremely awesome, especially if there is a variety of them, ranging from very simple (possible to diy at home) to more complicated (small mist fountain for hummingbirds for example). Drinking fountains for humans and pets are also a must! Signs/permanent

Verbatim additional comments:
posters/displays on easy to do zero-waste practices can help change people's perspectives and help with reducing trash (e.g., "don't forget your reusable water bottle!" sign at parking lots). Thank you so much for working on such a cool project that is sure to benefit many!
I'd like to plug in however I can - I am a physically disabled pro - city, 'young' professional woman that wants this project to succeed.
I'd like to use my skills to assist in designing or constructing the various segments of the Chouteau Greenway. I'm also happy to have a role in maintaining the greenway once it is built by volunteering for trash pickup, planting or watering, painting/staining, etc.
I'd love to be able to help out with some of the work related to music, art, and other creative projects. I'd also like to explore way in which our church ca be a great partner in and through this project, for the city.
Idk. Don't think I have many useful skills to assist w planning.
I'm all about sustainability.
I'm an avid urban bike rider who wants St. Louis to adapt to future opportunities and generations. Let's get people outdoors for exercise, fun, and getting to work and shopping. Maybe we'll all learn to meet and like one another a little bit better.
I'm an event guy, bike rider, voluteer, and above all , a St Louisan
I'm an urban wildlife biologist (BS, MS, PhD - Texas A&M University). I would welcome a chance to assist with efforts to develop greenspace and wildlife habitat that improves opportunities for enjoyment of the natural world while reducing conflicts between humans and wildlife. I'm the co-author of the first textbook on Urban Wildlife Management (1st and 2nd editions), have worked as a consultant on many urban wildlife projects, and as I mentioned above I'm on the advisory board for the Lafayette Park Conservancy. I can be reached at kieranlindsey@gmail.com
I'm for anything that improves our city and connects its residents.
I'm not an artist or activist. I'm just a software developer. But if there's anything my skills can help with, let me know.
I'm very excited about the Greenway and hope to be using it soon.
Insure that the O'Fallon neighborhood is included in the Greenway and put O'Fallon Park in this project.
Is it too late to offer feedback on the route? Again I think 39th and Grand are too close together to be effective routes. It should be Grand and Tower Grove Avenue.
I've been a user of area greenways for well over a decade now. I'm a longtime resident of Kirkwood, who made nearly daily use of Grant's Trail. I love the thought of strengthening area Greenways further. I like to bike commute to work. Selfishly, the N-S/E-W plan would benefit me greatly, as I now commute from Tower Grove East to WU School of Medicine.
just an enormous sense of civic pride. St. Louis has a wealth of potential, if we can only get past our tendency to live in the past.
Just appreciate being allowed to throw in my two cents and I enjoy being kept up-to-date on the progress. Thanks!
Keep Trailnet involved!
Kept informed to share my perspective on inclusion

Verbatim additional comments:
Lafayette Square is a community of active residents who are community-minded as evidenced by the actions of its restoration committee. There have been many improvements in our neighborhood as a result. I believe that Lafayette Square residents could be instrumental in the growth and maintenance of the Greenway. Please consider linking the Greenway to this vibrant, active neighborhood! Thank you for your consideration.
Late May the year I learned about the Mary Meachum celebration in early May on the Mississippi River and hope to be there next May
Let's do it!
Love to walk, bike, hike and be outdoors.
Making sur there are more opportunities in our community.
making sure it is inclusive
My entire family rides our bike to and from school/work daily. I have a vested interest in making biking safe for ages 8 to 80 in our community.
My skills lie in marketing, advertising and project management. I would love to be involved!
No
Nope
Not really
Not sure yet!
Not sure. If it had some connection to my neighborhood it might be more interesting.
Open to providing feedback and helping with awareness campaigns or events.
Passion for alternative transportation methods
Periodic emails (but not every week) with updates, plans, and accomplishments
Please make sure there roller skates can be used on the path. Thanks!
Plug in by letting us watch yo go!!
Pretty much everything about this project excited me :)
Promote high design, beyond a bike trail. This can be a notable design project — and should be.
Remember to have plenty of locations for people to lock up their bikes along the trail so they are comfortable leaving the bikes to purchase food or enter into an attraction, such as a museum, store, restaurant, bar, or sporting event.
Route design. It's called Chouteau Greenway for a reason.
STAY INFORMED, LOBBY FOR CONNECTIVITY
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Take advantage of existing culture. don't try to shoe horn everything into some utopian dream.
Thank you!
Thanks.
The emails about the project are very informative
There is always need for more Green Space! I think a route along Market, that includes existing Green Space & Art Projects makes the most sense!
There needs to be a connection to Lafayette Square Park.

Verbatim additional comments:
Through my job at East West Gateway, managing corridor studies and neighborhood planning efforts. If there is any benefit to my participation in the project's committees moving forward, i'd be glad to.
To be better engaged with the community and its efforts to improve ourselves
To better our city and make a better place to live for all
To evaluate bicycling routes.
Turning around our great city
Volunteer info
Want great things for our city
Want to make St Louis Better
We are a small city spread over a large area. I would like to see the connectivity that this project may achieve.
We need to connect Tower Grove Ave to Cortex and streetscape and infrastructure improvements all the way, including the Vandeventer intersection.
Website Newsletter
Will keep watching for opportunities
will use it to bike commute from west county to downtown
Would like it to be connected to Lafayette Square
Would like to have Lafayette Square connected to the greenway
WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE SMART USE OF CHARENTTES OR SOME SIMILAR ACTIVITY TO DEFINE CREATIVE PLUG-IN OPPORTUNITIES AND TO COMMUNICATE THEM BROADLY
Would love to a part of the upkeep - my office is in Forrest park SE at 4427 Chouteau and we'd be happy to help upkeep that portion.
Yeah, it's planned to be a block from my house. I'm happy to do whatever it takes to make it happen.
Yes, I am very excited for the potential this project this has. I'd be interested in helping any way possible!
Yes, I want to see the city prosper and grow. Others need to know what a great city we have.
Yes, I would like to get involved.
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You far surpass anyone else in the region in community engagement. Keep it up!