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Destination: Greenways



Gulch Greenway

Destination: Meeting the Moment

by Pete Wooten, *Board President*



TOP: Gulch Greenway at Frankie Pierce Park
MIDDLE: Stones River Greenway
BOTTOM: Gulch Greenway at Asurion

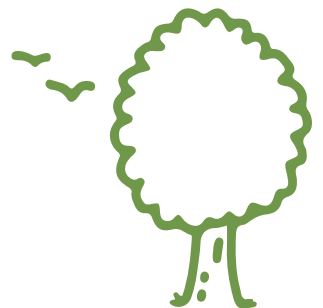
Nashville's growth and development over the past decade have been remarkable. Our history of building permits tells the story. The value of building permits issued from 1993 to 2011 averaged around \$1.2 billion per year. Beginning in 2012, Nashville began a steady ascent in the annual dollar value of issued building permits, which reached \$5.5 billion in 2021, a 460% increase from that earlier 18-year average.

An unintended consequence of this growth is a shrinking tree canopy and natural environment in Nashville. Tree cover and vegetation not only help mitigate heat in urban environments, they enhance the aesthetic beauty of our city. It is also well documented in public health research that human exposure to nature enhances our quality of life and lowers stress.

A 2018 study published by the National Library of Medicine tells us "that nature accessibility and nature exposure from home significantly predicted reduced scores on the Depression, Anxiety, Stress Scales (DASS)." I don't have to go far out on a limb to assume that we all would agree that this would be a good thing for our community (and our world for that matter). Greenways and parks provide an excellent mitigant to the growth of our built environment. Science backs this up.

The opportunity is in front us, and it is an urgent one. As development occurs, right of way opportunities for greenways become more limited, and the cost to secure that right of way and dedicate new greenways will almost certainly be more expensive in the future than it is now.

Nashvillians today are building and designing the legacy of our city for generations to come. We can "meet the moment" by accelerating development of new greenways and greenspaces in a manner which better matches the pace of our construction activity. Expansion of our existing greenways system is crucial to giving ALL Nashvillians, now and into the future, access to the benefits and quality of life that these vital assets provide.



Destination: Together

by Amy Crownover, *Executive Director*

Nashville is rich with diversity! One needs only to walk for 30 minutes or so on a neighborhood greenway to experience the variety of races, ethnicity, and culture in our community. On any given day, and most certainly a sunny Saturday, you will find yourself joined on the greenway by a cross-section of ages and abilities – from children just learning to ride a bike, seniors out for a relaxing stroll, and all ages in between. I've even counted the different languages being spoken on a busy section of the Mill Creek Greenway near Orchard Bend Park – I counted five one Saturday morning on a 45-minute walk. Greenways are Nashville's front porch; they are your window into our world. We both acknowledge and celebrate their inclusive nature.



TOP: Shelby Bottoms Greenway
BOTTOM: 440 Greenway

More than ever, the greenways are vital to the physical and mental wellness of all Nashvillians while also connecting us across Davidson County. From the Whites Creek Greenway, to Mill Creek, to Harpeth River, to the City Central Greenway system in our urban core, now is a critical time to preserve and promote our greenway system and its continued growth. With your support, we invest in a future where all neighborhoods experience the transformative power of nature through equitable access to greenways. With Metro Parks' nearly 100 miles of greenways throughout the county, and more on the way, greenways' impact on sustainability and connectivity has become vital to the quality of life in Nashville.

So, I ask you, our users, to bring your energy and commitment to the greenway movement. Greenways are your trails through the trees and open spaces of our city. Each of us makes the journey for our own reason and brings our own uniqueness. Let's come together to make Nashville's greenway system the best it can be. There is immense power when a group of people with similar interests get together. Join us!

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Destination: Advocacy

Our city is in a state of constant change and will likely remain that way for years to come. Greenways for Nashville is here to ensure that our greenways and open spaces remain a key component of our exponential growth. We have an opportunity to increase access to green spaces throughout our city and county by garnering support and voices for such.

Greenways for Nashville Board Member Adam Caplan is one of those voices. A Nashville native with a unique perspective penned this letter to our Metro Council Members this spring to voice his support:

I grew up in Nashville – in fact, I went to high school at Hume-Fogg where Mr. Cash, Councilman Tom Cash, was my English teacher. I remember working three summer jobs so I could save enough money to buy my first big purchase: a road bike from Cumberland Transit on West End Avenue, which I still ride today. I got my first taste of the greenways riding my bike from my parents' house in Bellevue to Edwin Warner Park using the (at the time, newly built) Harpeth River Greenway. I was hooked from the beginning because the greenway network allowed me to pair my budding interest in endurance sports with a beautiful, safe way to exercise outside. One of the key benefits of the greenways is that they help promote a healthy lifestyle by improving connectivity to green spaces and build community along the way.

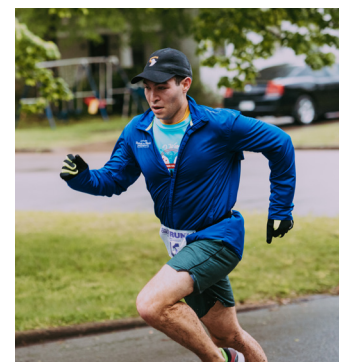
The Nashville community has a special place in my heart. After growing up here, all I wanted to do was move away and experience other places. So I went to college in St. Louis and thought I would stay there. But something happened around 2014 – Nashville became...cool. And I decided I wanted to invest in my future here, so I'm asking Council to invest in connecting communities too.

One silver lining of the pandemic is that people of all walks of life are using the greenways now more than ever before. When I'm using the greenways, say marathon training through Shelby Bottoms to

the Stones River Greenway, it brings me great joy to see all kinds of people, perhaps for the first time, discovering all of the benefits that the nearly 100 miles of linear greenway space provide. But we need more investment to build on this success and ensure equitable growth for Nashville and our greenways in the future.

As an Amazon employee, if given the choice between sitting in ever-worsening bumper to bumper traffic in my car to commute from the Nations to my office downtown, or hopping on my bike and using a safe, beautiful, tree-lined greenway to get to work, I'll bet you know which option I'd choose. But, I can't today because all of the greenway access points don't connect, which is why I'm asking you to help close those gaps by increasing funding for the Parks Department. The thing is, I want every Nashvillian to have that same choice. As Nashville's growth accelerates, investment in greenways that connect all communities needs to keep pace. Otherwise, we risk losing some of the soul which makes Nashville, Nashville.

If we don't plan for the future, it will do it for us. Nashville's growth is exciting – it's why I moved back here. But I want my generation, and my future generation, to enjoy all the benefits that greenways offer. As our growth explodes, new developments will continue to be built on the land, and we need the resources to ensure that developers include protected green spaces in their plans. If you want to see what I see about the greenways, let's go for a walk around the Richland Creek Greenway – I know my dog would love to meet some new companions.



Adam Caplan, Board Member

Cocktails and Conversation

Not only are our board members advocating throughout our city, but stakeholders, business leaders, and community members are gathering in support of the greenways movement. In early June, we gathered a group of these like-minded individuals for the latest installment of Cocktails and Conversations. Our work is possible thanks to the commitment of our fervent supporters – this helps continue the dialogue, acknowledge the work, and expand the network.



Destination: Dinner by the Bridge 2022

Save the date, folks! This fall on **Thursday, October 6**, Greenways for Nashville will host our sixteenth annual Dinner by the Bridge on the Cumberland River Greenway Esplanade at the foot of the John Seigenthaler Pedestrian Bridge.

Our signature fundraiser is an opportunity to celebrate the success of Nashville's greenway system, bring together our supporters and friends, and raise a toast to a future that includes developing more greenways across Davidson County.

www.dinnerbythebridge.com

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Greenway Selfie Challenge

Nashville, are you out there on the greenways? Show us!

Anybody out there staring into the trees trying to spot that darned Barred Owl on the Shelby Greenway, prompting onlookers to stop and join you out of sheer curiosity? How about those parents pushing their kids in strollers, trying to catch a breath from the day while simultaneously fostering an appreciation for nature in the next generation? The things that bring you joy on the greenways – we want in on it! Grab your partner, pal, or pup—maybe all three—and take a selfie, tagging @greenwaysfornashville on Instagram or Facebook. You'll enter for a chance to win a bundle of Greenways for Nashville swag, including a stainless-steel Greenways for Nashville Camelbak water bottle, a naturally dyed bandana, and one of our crumpled maps. Two winners will be randomly selected and announced at the end of each month. Winners' posts will be featured on Greenways for Nashville social media.



Jordan and Chandler



Amy



Sharon and friends



Dan



Tony and friend



Michael and Monkey the dog

Destination: Legacy

by Ann Roberts

Nashville's greenways lost one of its earliest and most influential advocates with the death of Kay Simmons last November. In the mid-1990s and for years thereafter, when Nashville greenways were more concept than reality, Kay made them a beneficiary of her energy, talents, stewardship, and vision.

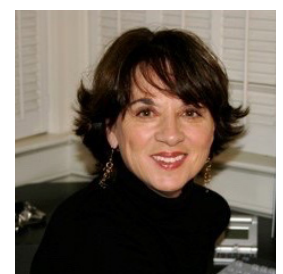
"She was truly key to so much success, especially in our early years of creating and developing relationships," according to Shain Dennison, the founding and long-time director of the Greenways Division of Metro's Department of Parks and Recreation. "She helped build credibility for the greenways initiative because she was held in such respect by both government leaders and the private sector."

Kay's fund-raising skills were legendary, and she opened doors to many grantors over her twenty-plus years of engagement as an early member of the Greenways Commission and the Board of Greenways for Nashville.

She hosted the first friend- and fund-raiser in her home and strategically led later outreach. Shain credits the private seed money that Kay raised for leveraging Metro capital dollars as instrumental in getting Nashville's greenways where they are today.

Passionate about the value of conserving green space and building trails and aware of what that would mean for the city, Kay was, in Shain's words, "fun, generous, kind, so very smart, and always ready to help however needed."

Kay made immeasurable contributions to Nashville's civic and community life through her work for education and conservation. We will always be grateful that she was with us, mentoring, guiding, and shaping greenways in those crucial years.



Kay Simmons

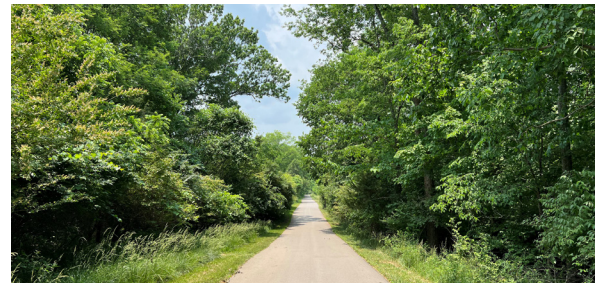
Destination: Moving Forward

Let's celebrate new greenways, open space acquisitions, and existing greenway improvements. Thanks to the efforts of Metro Nashville Parks, the Greenways and Open Space Commission, several public-private partnerships, and you—our community of advocates and supporters—we are happy to share recent completions and announcements!

NOW OPEN NEAR YOU:

Stones River Greenway Hickory Hill Lane Connector near Ravenwood Park

This 0.5-mile addition to the Stones River Greenway is now open! With a new trailhead and parking, this new segment enhances greenway and park access for communities on the northern side of Ravenwood Park. The wooded and meadowed route also boasts a starting point for an all-greenway connection all the way to Shelby Bottoms Park and Greenway across the iconic Cumberland River Pedestrian Bridge.



Gulch Greenway at Asurion

In a collaborative public-private partnership with Highwoods Properties, this enhanced and extended 0.25-mile segment of the Gulch Greenway opened this summer with enthusiasm and fanfare. A respite from the busy streets and sidewalks of downtown, this urban greenway and linear park is also a key component of the planned 35+ mile greenway loop around the heart of Nashville which makes up the City Central Greenway System.



TOP: Stones River Greenway, Hickory Hill Connector
BOTTOM: Gulch Greenway at Asurion

DESTINATIONS IN DESIGN AND PLANNING:

Charlotte Corridor Rail with Greenway

Master planning, community engagement, and greenway policy development for this proposed 4-mile rail with greenway project in North Nashville are underway. This new linear park, with a paved greenway trail for pedestrians and bicyclists, will follow along the Cheatham County Rail Line, linking Centennial Park to the Farmers Market with connectors to Juno Frankie Pierce Park, Kossie Gardner Park, Watkins Park, Edmondson Park, and Fisk University. Metro Parks expects to complete the Master Plan by the end of this year, so stay tuned!

Learn More: linktr.ee/greenwaysfornashville

Cumberland River Greenway at Wharf Park

This new urban park and greenway are in the final phases of Master Planning. The community-driven plan calls for an extension of the Cumberland River Greenway from the existing Rolling Mill Hill Greenway, along a bluff line, and down through the new park to the river.

Metro Council recently approved the purchase of an adjacent 3.1 acres, home of the former Tennessee African-American School for the Blind, that boasts ample open space that will dramatically enhance the greenway route. Learn More: linktr.ee/greenwaysfornashville



Proposed Charlotte Corridor Rail with Greenway

*DESIGN AND PLANNING (CONT.):***440 Greenway - Sevier Park to Browns Creek Greenway and Park**

In the planning and design phase, this 1-mile segment of the 440 Greenway will link Sevier Park and Community Center with Gale Lane Park, Browns Creek Park, and the Browns Creek Greenway. Later this year, the design team will gather project input from the community, and the design should be complete in 2023 with construction to follow.

440 Greenway - Park Plaza to Centennial Park

This short but sweet 0.2-mile segment of greenway will extend the 440 Greenway from its existing trailhead at Park Plaza to the complete street on 28th Avenue Connector and the Great Lawn of Centennial Park. This extension of the 440 Greenway will also provide connectivity to the planned Charlotte Rail with Greenway, further bringing together West and North Nashville neighborhoods and parks. Design is expected to be complete in 2023 with construction to follow.

Whites Creek Greenway at Hartman Park

This planned 1-mile greenway will be the newest of a partnership between Metro Parks and Metro Water Services that marries a flood buyout program to conserve land along the city's waterways and riparian zones with the creation of public park space. This project will produce a Whites Creek Greenway extension dotted with a mature tree canopy and link neighborhoods along West Hamilton Road to Hartman Park and Community Center and Mullins Park. Planning for this greenway will be led by community input.

Browns Creek Greenway at Fair Park

In partnership with the Nashville Fair Board, this 0.5-mile greenway extension at Fair Park is currently in the design phase and will extend the existing Browns Creek Greenway through Fair Park to a trailhead on Nolensville Road.

Cumberland River Greenway Opry Mills Connector

Construction of the long-planned 1-mile greenway extension from the Cumberland River Pedestrian Bridge to the Opry Mills campus is expected to begin in early 2023. Sure to be a destination in itself, this segment of the Cumberland River Greenway will link Donelson/Hermitage, Downtown Nashville, and East Nashville communities to this vibrant commercial center.

PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS AT WORK:

Thanks to public-private partnerships, these greenways are receiving improvements and upon completion will be perpetually maintained by private partners.

Cumberland River Greenway at Metro Center Levee, a partnership with Alta Riverwalk**Cumberland River Greenway North of Downtown, a partnership with Modera Germantown****Gulch Greenway at Asurion, a partnership with Highwoods Properties****Cumberland River Greenways at First Horizon Park, a partnership with Ballpark Village****Rolling Mill Hill Greenway, a partnership with Peabody Union***NEWLY ACQUIRED OPEN SPACE:***Tusculum Road Open Space**

This spring, Metro acquired 10 acres of treed open space in Southeast Nashville for a future park. Located off Tusculum Road, in one of the few areas in the city that still had no parks, this addition supports a more livable and sustainable city for all.

Are Electric Bicycles Allowed on Nashville's Greenways?

Yes, Class 1 and Class 2 Electric Bikes are permitted on Nashville's Greenways.



More information:
greenwaysfornashville.org/electricbikegreenwayaccess

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— **Greenways**

Destination: Richland Creek Run

The 2022 Richland Creek Run fundraiser was record-setting! Back in person for the first time in three years, we had a record-breaking 400+ participants take part in the run, walk, and Dinky Dash. Greenways for Nashville raised nearly \$28k and gave away nearly \$1k in prizes donated by our local business supporters.

Thank you to our sponsors and participants for continuing to make this fundraiser—and *friend-raiser*—so special year after year.



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Margie Stoll

We weren't the only ones setting records this year. Our friend, Margie Stoll, set her own record during the run: a state record for her age group with her pace, finishing the race in under an hour. A Chicago native, Margie has lived in Nashville since the 1980s, but didn't start competitively running until she was in her 60s. Now, at 80 years young, Margie holds over 100 individual time records from races across the state.

“You’re not really trying to beat someone; you’re trying to be your best. You always feel good about yourself after finishing.”

Way to go, Margie! See you, and everyone else, in April 2023 for the 17th Annual Richland Creek Run!

Destination: Wildlife

by John Norris, *Board Member*

Nashville's greenways excel when it comes to wildlife. Our many greenways provide important habitat and travel corridors for a host of species as well as outstanding opportunities for greenway users to observe wild animals.

As watchable wildlife, birds typically come to mind first for most people. Many of Nashville's greenways offer exceptional bird watching. For example, 135 different bird species have already been identified by users of Shelby Bottoms Greenway near the Nature Center in 2022. These include the stunningly beautiful scarlet tanager, the fearsome great horned owl, the massive white pelican, and the iconic bald eagle. And that's one section of one greenway. Many of Nashville's greenways are listed as birding hotspots on the Cornell Lab of Ornithology's eBird site.

Anyone planning a visit to a Nashville greenway to see (and hear) birds may want to consult eBird to determine what species have been reported by users of that greenway and when the birds were detected. In doing that just now for the Richland Creek Greenway near my house, I noticed that indigo buntings and similarly colored but larger (and far less common) blue grosbeaks have recently been seen there. Both species favor brushy fields, so I'll soon be heading to the Nashville Tech Campus Connector in search of the amazingly blue males.

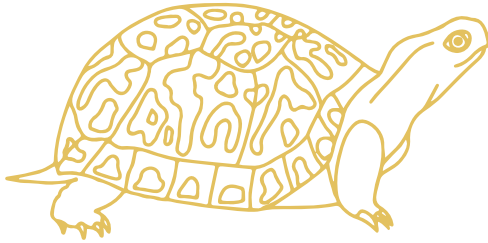
Greenway users with an interest in birds may enjoy the free Merlin bird identification app. If you hear a bird but can't see it because it's hidden behind leaves, the app will identify it with ease. Even someone with limited song identification skills (including me) can identify an impressive number of birds using the app. As a bonus, sometimes knowing what to look for makes spotting the bird easier.

Of course, wildlife visible from greenways are not limited to birds. I've seen white-tailed deer, coyotes, nine-banded armadillos, a red fox, gray rat snakes, a black kingsnake, eastern box turtles, common snapping turtles, and additional mammal and reptile species while running or biking on Nashville greenways. Other users have seen many more critters, including hard-working beavers and adorable (if you're not a fish) otters. None of these animals pose the slightest risk of harm to humans or to pets on leashes.

If you want to maximize the likelihood of seeing interesting animals on your greenway outings, going early or late may be your best bet. Especially in areas with significant human activity, many animals are primarily active at night and are most easily seen feeding or returning to their den or other bedding spot in the early morning or feeding or heading back out in the late afternoon.

Whatever Nashville greenway you visit and whenever you go, you are encouraged to take photos and post them to be enjoyed by others. There's a large and eager audience for beautiful wildlife photos.





Eastern box turtle

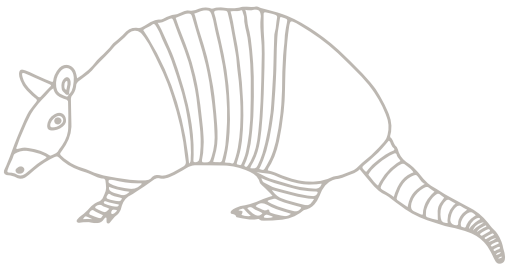
A slow-moving, slow-maturing omnivore whose numbers continue to decline. Vehicular traffic, farm equipment, and collectors are all threats. Except for moving them out of harm's way, box turtles should be left alone.

Gray rat snake

A common, large non-venomous snake that eats vast numbers of tick-laden rodents. Gray rat snakes are constrictors that swallow their prey whole.

Nine-banded armadillo

The "little armored one" has greatly expanded its range since the mid-nineteenth century and is often seen early in the morning. Lack of insulation is its Achilles heel, but a warming climate will facilitate its becoming established as far north as Pennsylvania and New York. Nine-banded armadillos have the unfortunate reflex of jumping several feet straight up when alarmed, which has disastrous consequences when a semi is passing overhead.



Cedar waxwing

A beautiful songbird that is usually seen in flocks. Cedar waxwings are drawn to ripe berries, including holly berries and mulberries. Where there are ripe mulberries, including along greenways, cedar waxwings will be found.



Eastern box Turtle



Juvenile barred owl

Indigo bunting

Seen in the right light, the males are an amazingly bright shade of blue. But indigo buntings produce no pigment – the brilliant blue color is the result of the diffraction of light by the feather structure. Indigo buntings are drawn to brushy fields.

Red fox

A widely distributed omnivore that is able to thrive in suburban and even urban environments. While feeding primarily on small rodents and rabbits, red foxes have a varied diet and eat plenty of fruit when it is available. Red foxes can be quite vocal and have an impressively loud scream and are commonly seen and heard early in the morning.

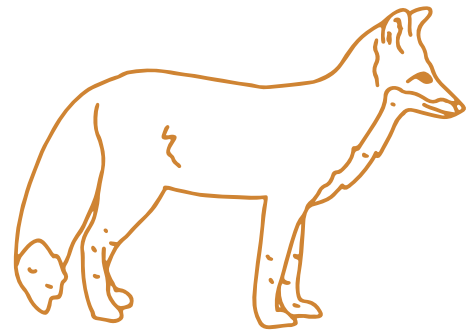
Barred owl

Barred owls are more active during the day, and more frequently seen, than most owls. While feeding primarily on small mammals, they have a taste for crayfish and can often be spotted perched over wetlands searching for crayfish.

Summer tanager

The other red bird. Summer tanagers spend most of their time high in trees. They feed heavily on bees and wasps. This bird's song has been likened to that of a hoarse robin.

Thank you to John Norris for these wonderful wildlife photographs.



Indigo bunting



Cedar waxwing



Stones River Greenway

Destination: Greenway Users

More eclectic than our city's collection of greenways are the folks that use them. Taking a trip to your favorite greenway is taking a trip into the culture of our city that features a breadth of languages, a collection of faces, and unique perspectives that make these greenways a true representation of our community.

Spotlight on David G.

David is no stranger to our city's greenway system. An avid user since a young age, here are some of his reflections:



David G.

What is your favorite greenway?

This is a hard one! Most of the time, you can find me near my home on

Mill Creek Greenway. Otherwise, it's a toss-up between Shelby Bottoms / Stones River Greenway and Harpeth River Greenway / Percy Warner Park Trails. I like to go to the greenways and parks for my longer runs of the week to get some quality time among the trees, and these paths provide lots of room to roam!

What draws you to the greenway? Do you have favorite features?

My favorite part of going to any greenway is getting some separation from the hustle and bustle of the outside world. Even though many of Nashville's greenways are nested within relatively urbanized areas, I find that the greenways provide enough isolation from cars and other aspects of city life to really feel connected to the natural environment.

Do you have any favorite memories from a trip to the greenway?

It's hard to pick a favorite memory from such a large pool of good memories to choose from! Watching the sun rise over McCabe golf course on a frosty January morning is always special. I'll also always cherish memories of marathon training with my mom's Gatorade checkpoints on greenways all over town. (Thanks again, Mom!!)

How would you describe a greenway to a friend who has never been on one before?

Think of it as a linear park that serves as a "highway" for nature to weave its way through urban areas. These greenways provide literal safe spaces for various species (bugs, birds, squirrels, deer, etc.) to travel throughout the city without having to compete with the forces of urban development. As humans, they also provide protected green spaces for recreation and transportation. They're a great place to go for a walk, run, bike ride, and more!



Shelby Bottoms Greenway

TOP: Harpeth River Greenway
BOTTOM: Stones River Greenway

Spotlight on Nicole B.

New to the urban core, Nicole knew of greenways but became an invested user when she moved to the city a few years ago. Here are some of her impressions:



Nicole B.

What special significance do the greenways hold for you?

The greenways hold so much peace for me within the loud city. There is also something really special about smiles from strangers and the connection of people appreciating these small moments at the same time as you (during COVID this was so needed).

How would you describe your ideal trip to a greenway?

My daily routine is the Shelby Bottoms Greenway after work, finding a different four-mile loop every day, and stopping at Soft Service Station after for a cone! Of course, occasionally having a friend or my dogs join is a nice weekend treat!

How did you discover Nashville's greenways? What did that discovery feel like?

I am a Franklin native and when I moved to Nashville seven years ago (after a few years out of state) I landed in Sylvan Park on the Richland Creek Greenway. I had no idea the greenway was outside of my door, but it quickly became a daily loop for my dogs. It opened my world up to quiet spaces within the city. I realized I didn't have to drive far out to find that peace in nature.

What's a favorite memory from your time on the greenway?

This summer I got to watch three baby raccoons wrestle from really close. I love how safe so many animals feel with humans so close by.

Destination: Navigation

2022 Nashville's Greenways Map

There is nothing like a good ole-printed map to help you navigate the nearly 100 miles of greenway trails across Davidson County. And, thanks to a generous gift from Vanderbilt University, Nashville's Greenways Map has been updated for 2022! This brand-new edition, beloved by Nashvillians and visitors alike, has the timeliest information about Metro Parks' nearly 100 miles of paved greenway trails and 75 miles of primitive trails all laid out on a large two-sided map of the city.

Where can I find a free Nashville's Greenways map?

- Metro Parks Community and Nature Centers
- Metro Parks Golf Courses
- Nashville Public Library Branches
- Retail partners including Asphalt Beach, Sport Seasons, Ride615 Bicycle Shop, and REI
- Greenways for Nashville's booth at events across town
- View or request one online at www.greenwaysfornashville.org/printed-maps



Come See Us

We love to get out and visit with you at festivals and events across town. With free printed maps, activities for children and adults, and a giant pop-up greenway map of the whole system, we enjoy lots of visitors. So far this year, we have been guests at Earth Day in Centennial Park, Nashville Sounds Game, Shelby Bottoms and Bell's Bend Expos, REI, Amazon and Cornelia Fort Pickin' Party, and several trailhead pop-ups on Nashville's greenways.

Would you like us at your event?

Please email us at info@greenwaysfornashville.org or give us a call at 615-862-8400.

P.S. We also do group presentations, so feel free to let us know if that's what you need.

Volunteer Spirit on the Greenways

Countless individuals and volunteer groups across town love on Nashville's greenways by organizing cleanups, weed wrangles, tree plantings, and more! We are sincerely grateful to all who have found a few minutes or even a few hours for greenways.

Would you like to organize a clean-up of your own and need a little guidance? Just send us a note at info@greenwaysfornashville.org and we help can get you on your way.



Pacific Program Management Nashville Team on the Richland Creek Greenway

Meet the Team

The Greenways for Nashville team isn't only interested in greenways professionally, but personally too! Much like you, we are all users of the Nashville greenway system and love spending time outside.

Get in touch with us: info@greenwaysfornashville.org

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Marissa, Robin, Jordan, Amy & Kathy

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