Lee County Greenways and Trails Plan

The purpose of this Plan
The Lee County Greenways & Trails Plan focuses on two important issues:

- The need to establish a vision of residents’ wants, in order to determine what would benefit the county now, as well as what might be possible 10, 20, or 50 years down the road.
- The need to develop a strategy, including the priorities and possible courses of action to achieve that vision.

Conservation, economic development, and transportation planning are key, and both levels are continually changing. Taken together, the county’s planning and the strategies planning approach, defined above and our best interest of benefiting from critical opportunities as they arise. The plan must be clear and must be continually refined to be relevant.

Greenways and trails can be used for a variety of purposes, including

- Recreational and educational opportunities
- Economic development
- Environmental conservation
- Community health
- Economic growth
- Aesthetics
- Social equity
- Wildlife access

How will this Plan be used?

The plan will guide the transportation and recreation projects of the Lee County, ensuring that the projects align with the plan and are implemented in a way that will benefit the community.

What is a Greenway?

A greenway is any linear open space that allows travelers to connect other trails or parks. A greenway can be used for a variety of activities, including

- Hiking
- Biking
- Wildlife observation
- Education
- Art
- Cultural activities
- Economic development

Legend

- Flood plains
- Roads, etc.
- Snowmobile Corridor
- Recreational Areas
- Existing Trail
- Potential Recreational Trail
- Secondary Trail (potential)
- Rail Roads
- Bike & Share
- Potential Canoe Trail
- Canoe Site
- Historic Site
- Illinois Natural Area Inventory Site

- Potential Snowmobile Trail
- Public Greenway
- Public Greenway
- Potential Greenway
- Private Greenway
- Professional Areas

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