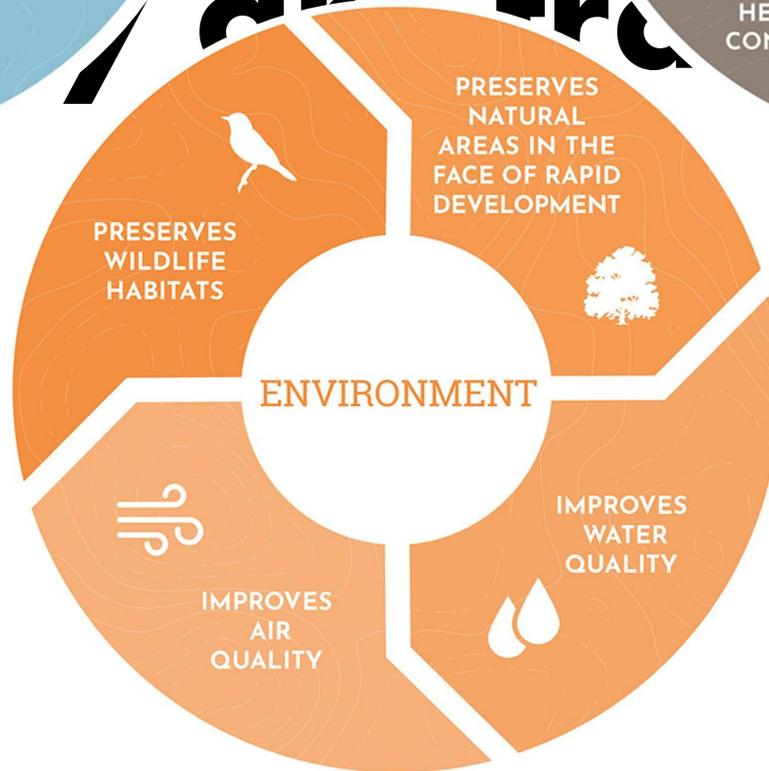
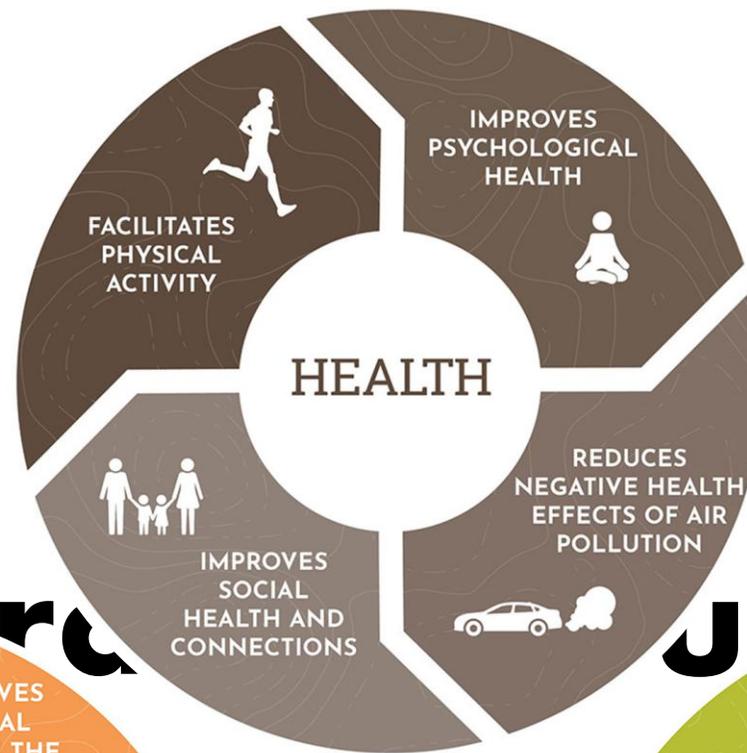




60 Years
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Background



Quality of Life







Marquette Greenway	
Status - Updated March 2025	
	Built 32 miles
	Full Funded 12 miles
	Part Funded 16 miles
Approx. Total: 60 miles	





Industrial Steel
Construction

Multi-Wall Packaging
A Signode brand

TMS International

Indiana Toll Rd

Grand Calumet River

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Grand Calumet River

Great Lakes Cafe

20

South Shore
Play Yard

90

Indiana Toll Rd (Toll road)

90

Chase St

65

11th Ave

W 11th Ave

Martin Luther King Dr

W 15th Ave

W 15th Ave

E 10th Pl

W 19th Ave

W 19th Ave

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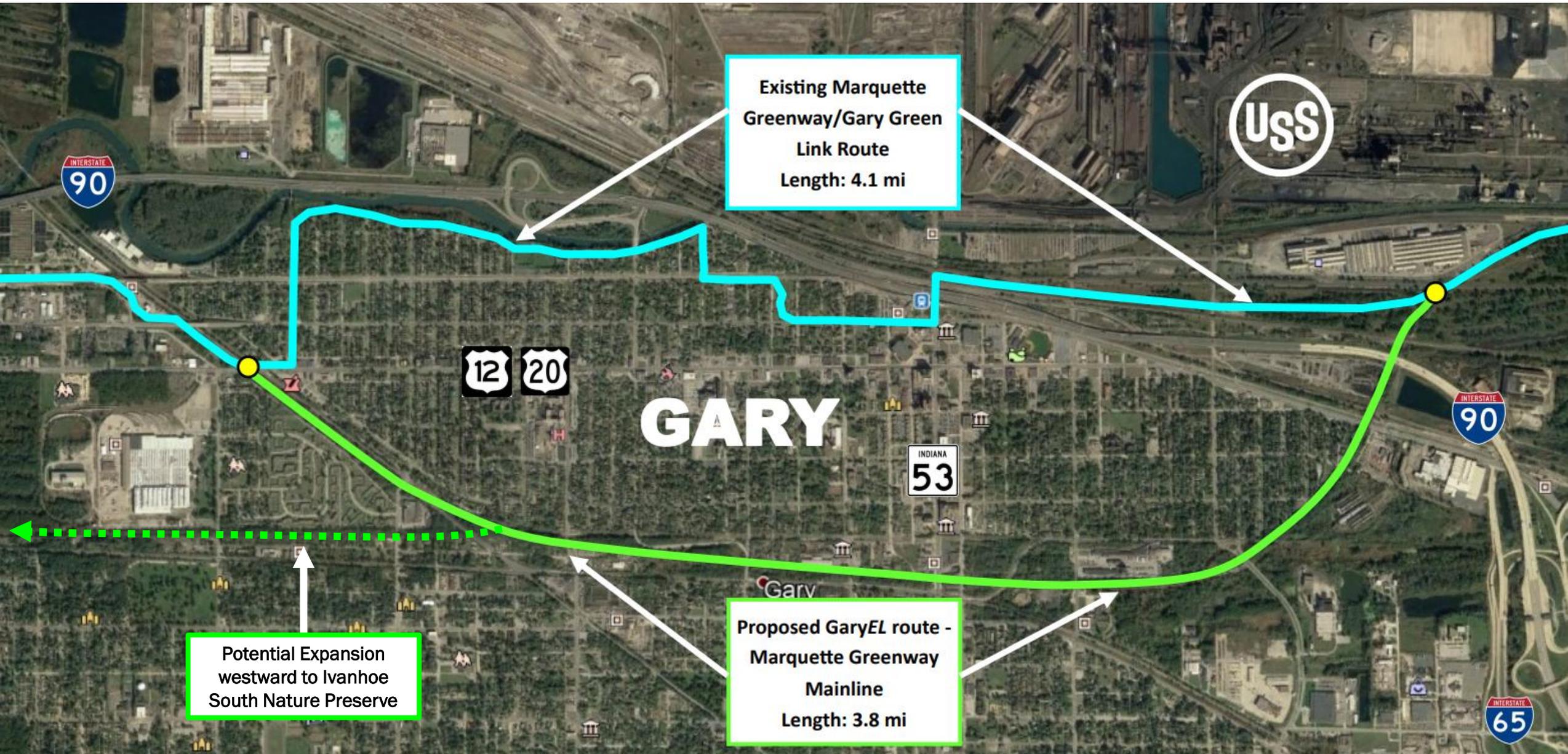
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W 19th Ave

E 19th Ave

Luther King Dr

Central Ave



HIGH LINE



- New York City
- 1.5 miles in length
- Approx. \$260 million to complete through public and private funds
- Attracts four million visitors per year
- Tax revenues at \$900 million per year
- Spike in real estate values
- Approx. \$2 billion in new economic activity



- Chicago
- 2.7 miles in length
- Approx. \$95 million to complete through public and private funds
- Attracts two million visitors per year
- Home prices at west end have soared 344% since opening in 2012 (DePaul)
- Six-month ban on teardowns this Jan to curb gentrification







Vision and Guiding Principles, Nov. 3, 2022
Ogden Park Fieldhouse



March 28, 2023



PUBLIC PARKS

Public parks, such as those operated by Chicago Park District including Lindblom, Hermitage and Moran parks, as well as the proposed Englewood Nature Trail and at-grade access points.



Hermitage Park, Englewood



Lindblom Park, Englewood

AGRICULTURAL SITES

Agricultural and community-managed sites include existing urban farms, vacant land identified for at-grade and vertical agriculture and community-managed spaces. Three main activity hubs are identified at Damen, Racine and Halsted.



Growing Home, Englewood



Gotham Greens, Pullman

NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL CENTERS

Land and buildings appropriate for business uses, including restaurants, markets, food education facilities, retail, services and mixed-use buildings.



Go Green Fresh Market, Englewood



Bronzeville Winery, Chicago

SMALL AND LOCAL PRODUCTION

Land and buildings used for larger-scale business operations including for-profit agriculture, food processing and/or distribution, low-impact manufacturing, artists studios, and small event spaces.



The Hatchery, Chicago



mHUB, Chicago

RESIDENTIAL

Land and buildings used for housing, including single-family homes, two-flats, townhouses and multi-unit buildings.



Hope Manor Village, Chicago



2500 W Grenshaw St, Chicago

MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT

Land and buildings appropriate for business uses, including restaurants, markets, food education facilities, retail, services and mixed-use buildings. This central site is city-owned and will be remediated.



Shops & Lofts at 47, Chicago



Newark Community Museum of Social Justice

NATURE TRAIL DESIGN - CDOT and CPD

AGRO-ECO DISTRICT
LAND USE PLAN - DPD

58TH STREET

59TH STREET

60TH STREET



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Site Visits



Great Lakes Cafe

SMS group - Gary

Metal Processing Corporation

Green Lake Tube

Superior Construction

Eco Block

Republic Steel

Alliance Fabrication & Manufacturing



YOU COULD WIN
\$11,888,888
WIND CREEK
CRUISE & RESORT
1000 BUS 2

EXIT 14B

INDIANA
53
Broadway
1 MILE

TOLL ROAD
PROTECTED BY
VIDEO AND POLICE
SURVEILLANCE





EXPLORE THE LINE

JASP

14 FT 0 IN

DAYTON
TRUCKS

Red SUV

Dark red car

























CubeSmart Self Storage

Methodist Hospitals
Emergency Room

Gary Literacy
Coalition, Inc

Millwright Machine

Nicole Stylez



CAUTION



NO
LEFT
TURN





2023 Recreational Visits - 2,765,892



DEAN'S CHARRETTE #8

Downtown Gary

A Vision & Action Plan

Final Report

MAY 2025



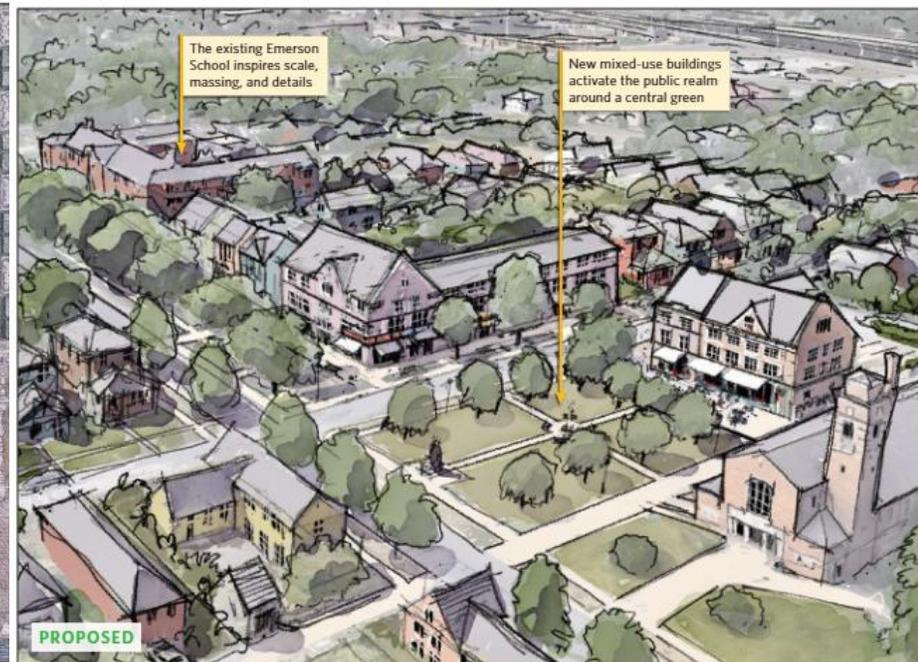
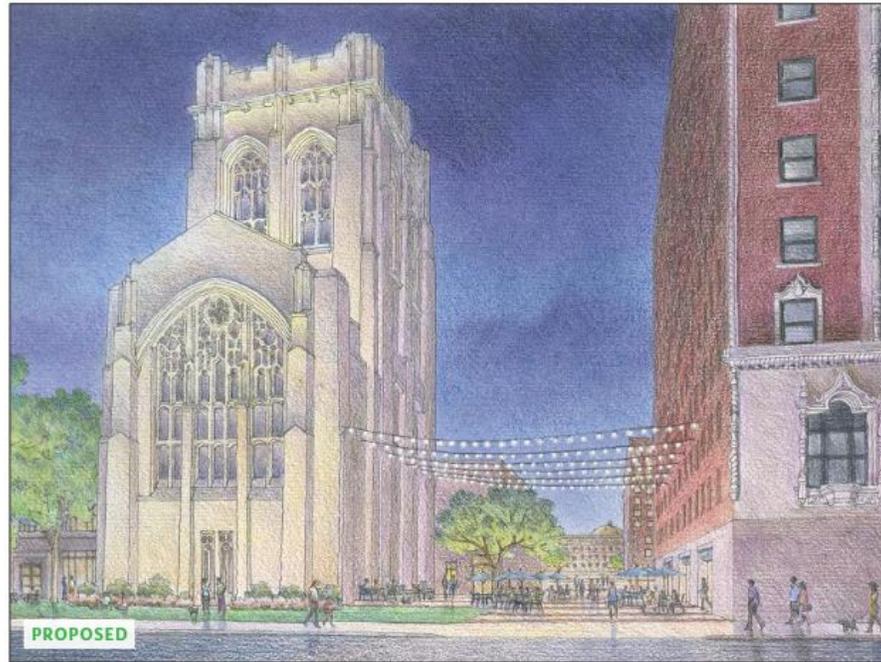
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FIGURE 52: Street View of the Existing Site
 City Methodist is currently a highly visible symbol of disinvestment, and its adjacent alley is dangerous due to falling masonry.

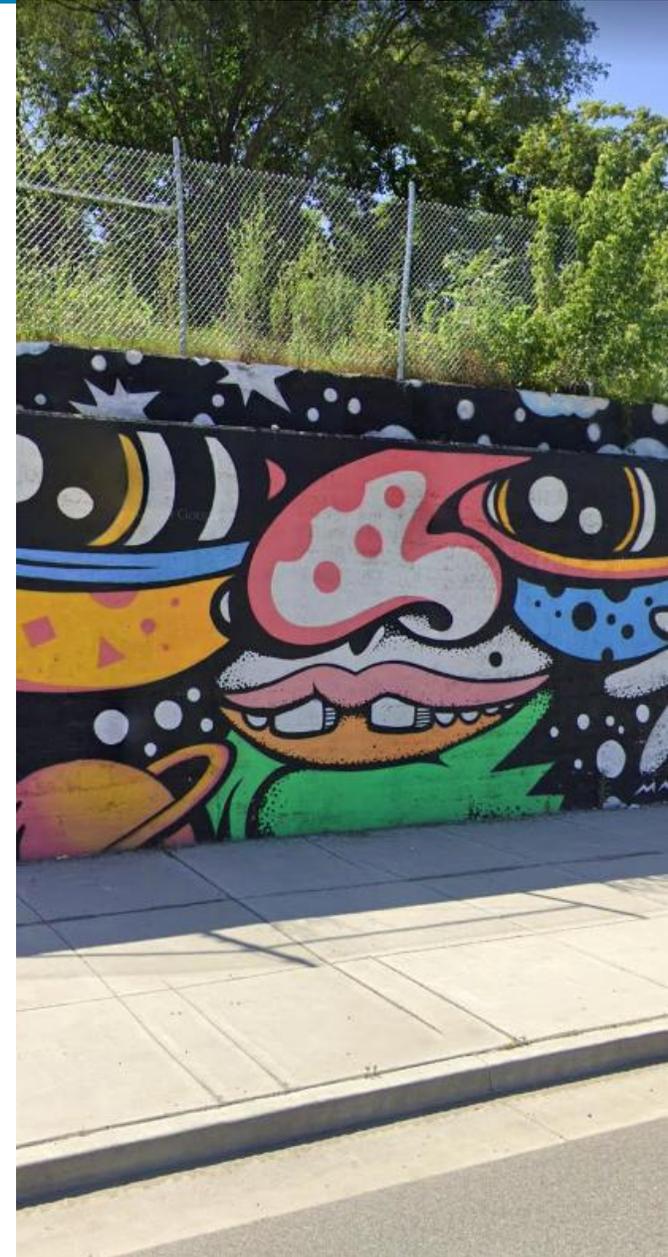


FIGURE 66: Aerial View of the Existing Site
 The current Emerson site is primarily vacant or abandoned, with extensive open land and parking lots. The existing Emerson School shell (top left) and St. Luke Church (bottom right) offer anchors for new development.
 Source: Google Earth



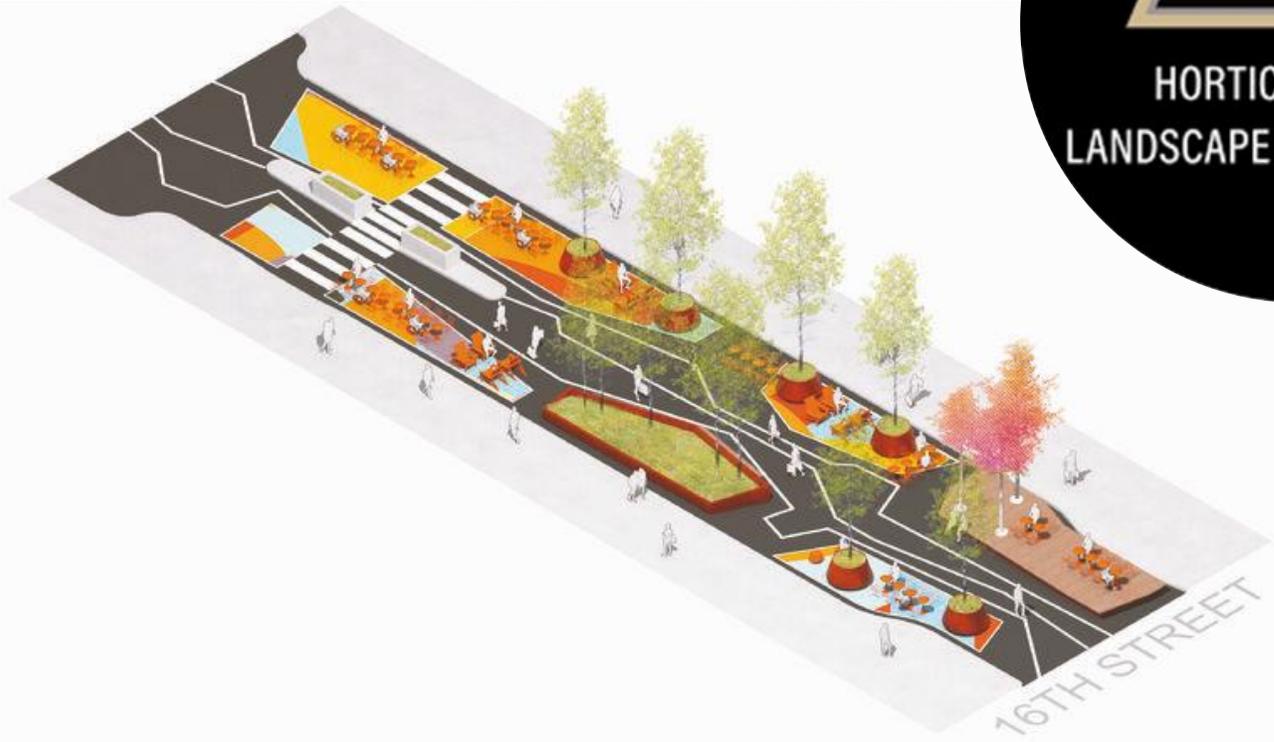
Support...

- NIRPC to provide planning as part of approved objective (UPWP)
- Purdue LA students supported by school program funds
- Additional consulting by SmithGroup with funds by either Friends of the MG, NIRPC or Legacy (Knight Foundation)
- Pursuit of Legacy/Knight funding for community engagement



A Quiet Moment - Seating Area at Small Animal Hospital Entrance

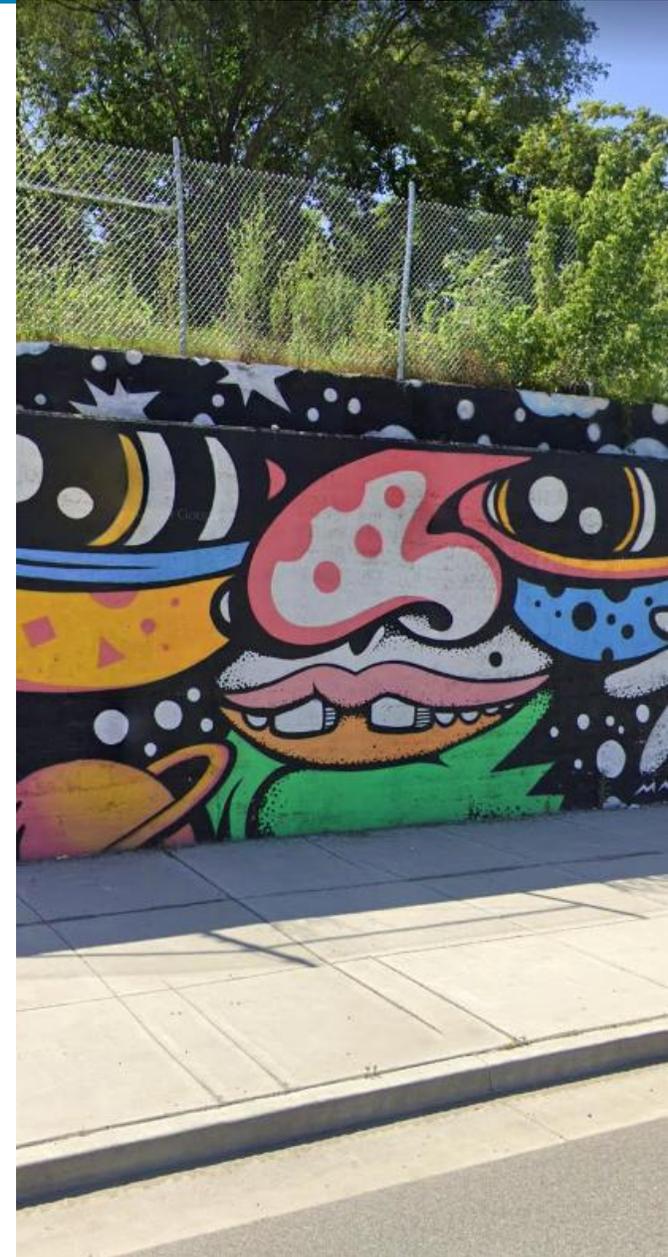
Introducing small seating areas like this offers visitors, employees, and students a quiet area to contemplate, eat their lunch, or study. Immersive planting and relocated trees protect users from busy roads and parking.





Deliverables...

- Create design of revitalized elevated trail
- Detail community connections to trail (nodes)
- Envision adjacent land uses complimentary to trail (parks, plazas, streetscapes)
- Propose bridge revitalization ideas
- Provide conceptual images of project for use for marketing and fundraising
- Wayfinding strategies

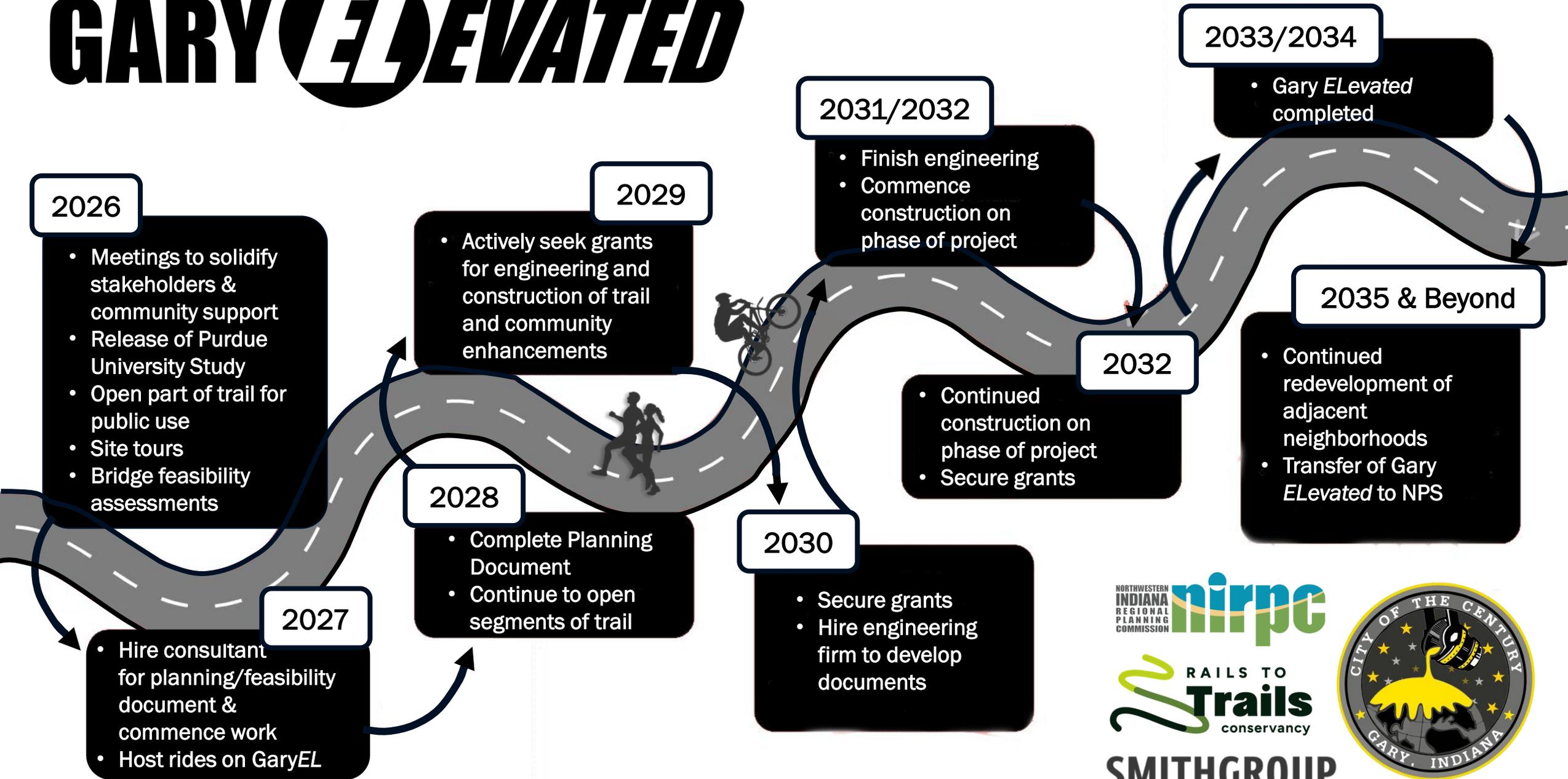


Gary *E*levated Teams...

- **Core Team:** Meet every other week to plan direction, strategy, follow through on initiatives and set schedule/agenda for all meetings
- **Project Team:** meets monthly includes Core Team and additional primary agencies along length of trail boundaries. Plans agendas for EDP Coalition meetings, assigned tasks to move EDP process forward, decision makers, negotiators with Railroad.
- **Project Coalition:** meets quarterly, 100+ people on mail list, representing residents, community orgs, government entities, utilities, university representatives, staff of project teams, and more. Responsible for learning about and contributing to the process, messaging information back to their constituents, providing ideas, setting up meeting spaces.



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Thank You!

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