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- In the heart of the Atlanta region
- Connects many of Atlanta’s cultural destinations
- Utilizes historic freight rail rights of way around the center of town
What is the Atlanta BeltLine?

- Connects 45 neighborhoods
- 6,500 acre redevelopment area
- 22% of City of Atlanta population lives in the Atlanta BeltLine planning area
- 8% of the City’s land mass is inside the Atlanta BeltLine TAD
- 40% increase in Atlanta’s parkland
- 46 miles of streetscape improvements
Overview
These are the key elements that will be developed over the life of the Atlanta BeltLine Program

- 22 Miles of pedestrian friendly light rail transit
- 33 Miles of multi-use trails
- 1,300 Acres of Parks
- 5,600 Units of Affordable Housing
- 1,100 Acres of Brownfields remediated
- Public Art
- Historic Preservation
The Atlanta BeltLine: Key Elements

- Parks and Arboretum
- Trails
- Transit & Transportation Infrastructure
- Jobs & Economic Development
- Affordable Workforce Housing
- Streetscapes & Public Art
- Historic Preservation
- Environmental Clean-up
// An Opportunity for Significant Impact

D.H. Lawrence Park
3490 Lawrence Dr, Atlanta, GA 30305
- An urban greenspace that was once a housing development.
- Provides a park that is accessible to residents of the surrounding neighborhood.
- Features walking trails, a playground, and a dog park.
- Ideal for outdoor activities and community gatherings.

Historic Fourth Ward Park
Skate Park
976 Peachtree St, Atlanta, GA 30308
- A skate park with ramps and obstacles.
- Ideal for skateboarders and rollerbladers.
- Features a beginner area and advanced area.
- Located in the heart of downtown Atlanta.

Boulevard Crossing
- A pedestrian crossing on Piedmont Ave.
- Connects the Eastside Trail to the Midtown area.
- Ideal for cyclists and pedestrians.

Historic Fourth Ward Park
- A park with a rich history.
- Features a large playground and picnic areas.
- Located near the Atlanta Botanical Garden.

Trails
- West End Trail
- Tarlton Creek Trail
- Southwest Connector
- Eastside Trail
- Ideal for cycling, walking, and running.
- Connects various neighborhoods and areas of Atlanta.

The opportunity for significant impact is evident in the transformation of these urban spaces into vibrant community hubs. These parks and trails provide residents with a place to relax, socialize, and engage in outdoor activities. The D.H. Lawrence Park, Historic Fourth Ward Park, and Boulevard Crossing are just a few examples of how these spaces can enhance the quality of life for those who live in Atlanta. The integration of these green spaces with the existing urban infrastructure allows for a more sustainable and livable city.
D. H. Stanton Park
150 Boynton Ave. SE, Atlanta, GA, 30315

- Reclaimed space features 8 acres available for public use
- First energy-cost neutral park in the City of Atlanta
- Amenities include a little league baseball diamond along with large, multi-use athletic fields
- New playground with splashpad and a commissioned public work of art by Robert Witherspoon
Boulevard Crossing
504 Englewood Ave. SE, Atlanta, GA, 30315-2502

- Park opened in Fall of 2011
- Five acres of new greenspace
- More than 20 acres of land initially acquired for the park by Trust for Public Land
- Kudzu-eating goats on site to limit overgrowth through partnership with Trees Atlanta
- Solar lamps installed to conserve energy
- Organic landscaping techniques employed to reduce maintenance costs
- More park space planned to connect the north and south boundaries of the corridor
Historic Fourth Ward Park
680 Dallas Street, Atlanta, GA 30308

17 new acres of greenspace

2-acre lake provides a beautiful natural gathering place while also serving as a storm water detention basin

- Open, passive lawns
- Modern playground
- Splashpad
- Outdoor amphitheater
Historic Fourth Ward Park Skate Park

830 Willoughby Way NE, Atlanta, GA 30312

- Atlanta’s first public skatepark
- Tony Hawk Foundation contributed $25,000 towards the skatepark construction
- Large, multi-use athletic field + play ground
- Solar photovoltaic panels offset roughly 50 percent of the park’s energy costs
- Underground cistern for all non-potable water
- Quick access to the Eastside Trail
Trails

West End Trail
West view: Close south of 120 on White Fields Street

Tanyard Creek Trail
Colorado Avenue Bridge to Adderley Park

Southwest Connector
2020 Colden Avenue Connector Bike Trail, 0.75 miles. Connects the Connect-Freedom Trail to Whitewood Ave.

Eastside Trail
East view: from the intersection of 6th Street and North Drive

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West End Trail
Westview Drive south of I-20 to West Marietta Street
Tanyard Creek Trail
Colonial Homes Drive to Ardmore Park
Southwest Connector
2257 Bollingbrook Drive Atlanta, GA 30311

connects the Lionel Hampton Trail to Westwood Ave.
Eastside Trail
Irwin Street to the intersection on 10th Street and Monroe Drive
// Parks
// Southwest Corridor Trail Project
//Progress to Date
April 2013 - SW Study Group Presentation of SW Corridor Design (See Wall)
// Southwest Preliminary Design
// Awarded TIGER V Grant

Provides $18 million towards the total $43 million needed for Southwest Atlanta BeltLine Corridor Trail cost

2.5 miles of multi-use trails within the Atlanta BeltLine corridor

16 accessible points of entry

Safe routes and connections to four local schools

Connections from neighborhoods to four parks

Will include trail lighting and cameras
• Engineering parameters
• ROW Needs
• Environmental Impacts
• Advance Design
• Community Engagement Planning
Q&A