

# Midtown Community Works

## Partnering for a better Midtown Corridor

Since it began in 1995, the Midtown Community Works (MCW) program has partnered with a wide variety of agencies, organizations and people to develop the Midtown Greenway from an abandoned rail corridor into the valuable facility it is today. These partnerships have helped sustain investment in the corridor, contributing to:



- 1.5 million square feet of new commercial space
- 4,390 new multifamily housing units
- More than \$750 million in public and private investment
- Thousands of new jobs in the corridor
- Over one million bike trips per year on the greenway
- Over 5,000 plantings of trees and shrubs along the corridor

## Ongoing activities

The MCW program is now focused on working with partners to support the goals identified in the *Making the Connection: Midtown Greenway to Lake Street* study, including:

- **Signage and wayfinding** to help connect greenway users to area destinations.
- **Safety improvements** to address traffic safety at trail crossings and security.
- **Public space and trailside amenities** to help people find the greenway, and foster a welcoming environment.
- **Bikeway connections** to fill gaps between the greenway and the bikeway network.

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## Partners

City of Minneapolis  
Midtown Greenway Coalition  
Lake Street Council  
Midtown Community Works Partnership  
Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board  
National Park Service

## Midtown Greenway

The Midtown Greenway is a 5.7-mile urban bike and pedestrian trail in Minneapolis. Almost entirely separated from vehicle traffic, it connects the Mississippi River to the east and the chain of lakes to the west, with a range of business, cultural and community destinations along the way.