

# Minneapolis

# Neighborhood Greenway Implementation Workplan

Executive Summary



Neighborhood greenways are streets that make it safer and more comfortable for people of all ages to bike. They are built on local streets that have low traffic. Most greenways are bicycle boulevards or protected bike lanes. They also help slow down traffic and make it easier for people to walk and cross the street.

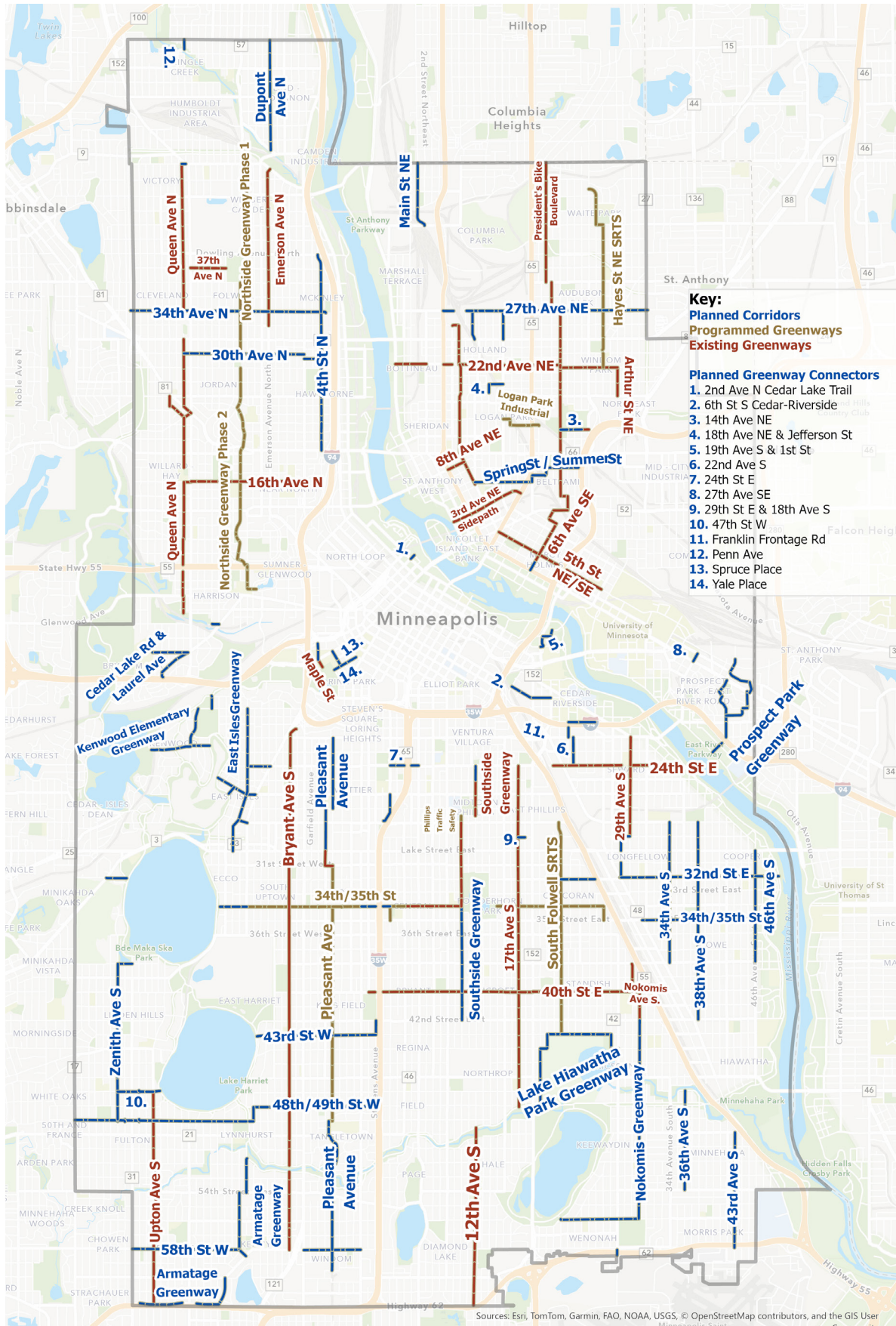
## How many miles of current and planned Greenways are there?

There are 32.3 miles of neighborhood greenways in Minneapolis as of November 2025. Another 12.1 miles are planned to be built by 2029. There are also 41.4 miles of greenways that are planned but do not yet have a set construction year. This work plan ranks the planned greenways, suggests upgrades for 15.3 miles of existing greenways, and includes cost estimates and funding considerations.

Neighborhood greenways are usually paid for through the City's Capital Improvement Program, along with federal or state grants. In recent years, the City has spent about \$5 million each year in grant and local funding to build greenway projects. If this level of funding continues, the planned network of neighborhood greenways could be fully built by the year 2040.



## Existing, Programmed, and Planned Neighborhood Greenways





***“Greenways are awesome! More specifically, they lower barriers to new cyclists and that’s great!”***

- Southside Greenway Exploratory Committee Report (2015)



## How do we prioritize Greenways?



**Equity**



**Demand**

**Distance  
to Nearby  
Routes**



**Bikeway  
Connections**



**Density**



**All-Ages  
Destinations**



# Greenway Priority Results

Minneapolis Public Works will use this ranking to help decide which neighborhood greenway projects to work on next.

Public Works will also look at other factors, like how the project fits with other planned work, how competitive it might be for grant funding, and how it helps balance the bikeway network.

| Rank | Corridor Projects (> .5mi)     |
|------|--------------------------------|
| 1    | 30th Ave N                     |
| 2    | Southside Greenway             |
| 3    | 34th Ave N                     |
| 4    | 4th St N                       |
| 5    | 34th/35th St E                 |
| 6    | 32nd St E                      |
| 7    | Spring St NE & Summer St NE    |
| 8    | Prospect Park Greenway         |
| 9    | Pleasant Ave                   |
| 10   | Dupont Ave N                   |
| 11   | 48th St W & 49th St W          |
| 12   | 27th Ave NE                    |
| 13   | East Isles Greenway            |
| 14   | Nokomis Greenway               |
| 15   | 36th Ave S                     |
| 16   | 38th Ave S                     |
| 17   | 34th Ave S                     |
| 18   | Main St NE                     |
| 19   | 43rd St W                      |
| 20   | Zenith Ave S                   |
| 21   | 58th St W                      |
| 22   | Kenwood Greenway               |
| 23   | Cedar Lake Rd S & Laurel Ave W |
| 24   | Armatage Greenway              |
| 25   | Lake Hiawatha Park Greenway    |
| 26   | 43rd Ave S                     |
| 27   | 46th Ave S                     |

| Rank | Connector Projects (< .5mi)          |
|------|--------------------------------------|
| 1    | 6th Street Cedar-Riverside           |
| 2    | Cedar/ Franklin Blue Line LRT        |
| 3    | 27th Ave SE                          |
| 4    | 22nd Ave S Seward                    |
| 5    | 24th Street E                        |
| 6    | West Bank UMN Connector              |
| 7    | 29th Street East & 18th Avenue       |
| 8    | Spruce Place                         |
| 9    | Yale Place                           |
| 10   | Penn Ave N / Shingle Creek Trail     |
| 11   | 14th Ave NE                          |
| 12   | Great Northern Greenway              |
| 13   | North Loop Cedar Lake LRT Connection |
| 14   | 47th Street W                        |

| Rank | Upgrade Projects           |
|------|----------------------------|
| 1    | 5th Street NE/SE           |
| 2    | Bryant Ave S               |
| 3    | 17th Ave South             |
| 4    | 40th Street E              |
| 5    | Emerson Ave N              |
| 6    | 22nd Ave NE                |
| 7    | President's Bike Boulevard |

