



Participant interacting with priorities activity at Open Streets

What we have heard

The project team engaged community members between July to December 2024 to introduce the project, understand how people use the corridor, and collect input on priorities for improvements. In total, approximately 650 community members participated in these events or gave feedback.

Priorities Activity Results

Over 1,425 comments and responses from a community priorities activity in the online surveys and at in-person engagement events were analyzed and categorized into the following themes:



More Arts and Culture

When comparing a range of characteristics at in-person events, people assigned the highest value to arts and culture. Public art and other cultural amenities to highlight the identity of the community could include art installations, storytelling features, little libraries, and other elements.



New Community Amenities

Creating places to sit, providing garbage cans, water stations, and play sports was the second highest valued priority and widely suggested.



Better Places to Walk

Wider sidewalks, modern curb ramps at corners, safer places to cross the street, and pedestrian lighting were widely suggested to improve pedestrian safety.



More Green Space

More space for plantings and trees as investments in opportunities for residents to engage in community gardening were suggested.



Better Places to Bike

Separated trails, safer places to cross the street, and wayfinding signage were suggested to improve safety for people biking. Young people, in particular, prioritized safe places to bike and shared that they travel by bike to get to nearby parks and schools.



More Traffic Calming

Traffic diverters, traffic circles, raised crossings, and curb extensions to slow vehicles, especially near schools and parks, was suggested to improve safety along the street. High vehicle speeds and poor driving behavior are a concern.



Maintaining On-street parking

While it wasn't the highest priority, people want to keep on-street parking.

NORTHSIDE GREENWAY

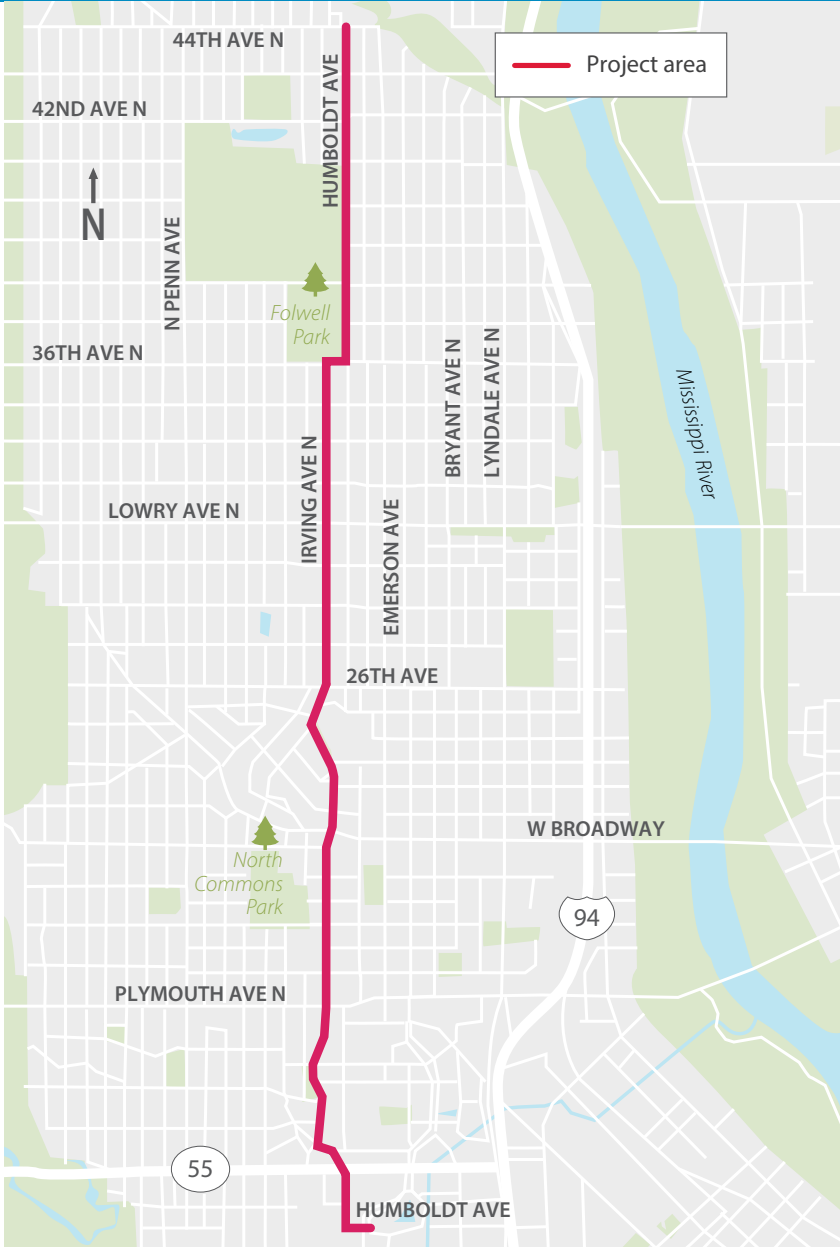
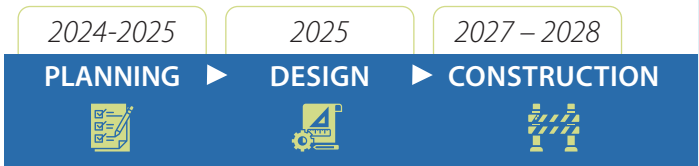
For a safer, healthier and more connected community

The Northside Greenway is an almost 4-mile route on Irving Ave N and Humboldt Ave N from 44th Ave N to Van White Memorial Blvd in north Minneapolis. The project will include traffic calming and safety improvements, new green spaces, and other community amenities.

Project vision

- Advance **health equity** in Minneapolis
- Create a **low-stress place for people to walk and bike**
- Provide **green urban space** as an area for recreation and community connection
- **Engage and work with the community** throughout the planning process

Project schedule



We need your help

Share your feedback online at:
MinneapolisMN.gov/northsidegreenway

Sign up through the QR code for updates and to help shape the greenway!



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Design concepts

The images below are street design concepts being considered at various locations throughout the project area. Check the project website to see the design concept at your location.



Side-walk level trail

Add a new shared trail for people walking and biking on one side of the street while preserving most of the existing street trees. On street parking on one side of the street only.



Shared use path on narrow roadway

Add a new shared trail for people walking and biking on one side of the street while preserving most of the existing street trees. On street parking would be provided on one side of the street only on narrow roadways along the corridor.



Traffic calmed street

The existing street remains unchanged throughout most of the block. New design treatments at the intersections will calm traffic and improve safety for people walking and biking.

Intersection tools

There are several intersection options under consideration to promote safe vehicle travel speeds and reduce the likelihood of severe crashes.



Diverter

Diverter let vehicles turn in one direction but block through traffic. This makes roads safer by slowing vehicle speeds and creating opportunities for green space.



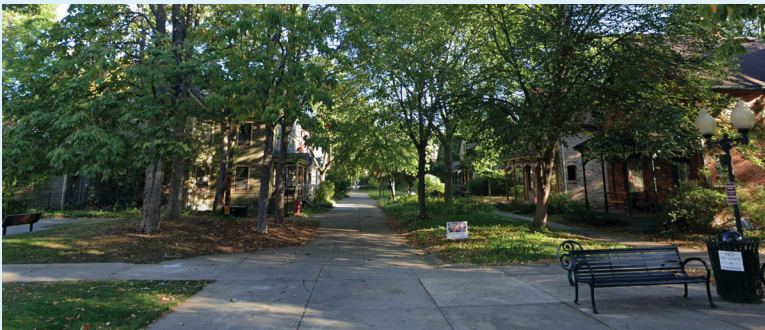
Traffic circles

A small raised circle in the center of the intersection to slow vehicle speeds and create opportunities for green space.



Bumpouts

Extension of the sidewalk and boulevard into the street to create shorter distances for people crossing the street, slow vehicle speeds, and provide opportunities for green space.



Full greenway intersections

Close the intersection to through traffic for cars. Green space and a trail would replace the street at the intersection. This improves safety by limiting car traffic to just neighbors on that block, and it creates space for community amenities.

Placemaking options

There are several types of community placemaking options under consideration, including the following:



Greening



Safety and support for pedestrians, bicyclists, and drivers



Community amenities



Arts and Culture