

Greenline uses:

- Leisure strolling and power walking
- Dog walking



- Jogging and running
- Leisure biking
- Sharing space with other community members
- Meeting neighbors at events such as monthly “Spruce Up the Greenline”
- Enjoying the trees and plants that bring shade and wildlife to the area



Greenline benefits:

- Improves the health of Greenline patrons
- Is accessible and only minutes from our front doors
- Helps revitalize our community
- Used by both VECA residents and patrons from other neighborhoods
- Is a source of pride and an important amenity for everyone



Support Your Greenline

The V&E Greenline Community Park, founded on November 11, 2006, is owned by a community corporation and maintained by community volunteers. It needs financial contributions from residents and patrons in order to pay for the day-to-day expenses of the organization.

Everyone Can Enjoy the V&E Greenline

A Rails-to-Trails Project

Adjacent to Jackson Ave,
Tutwiler Ave, & North Parkway

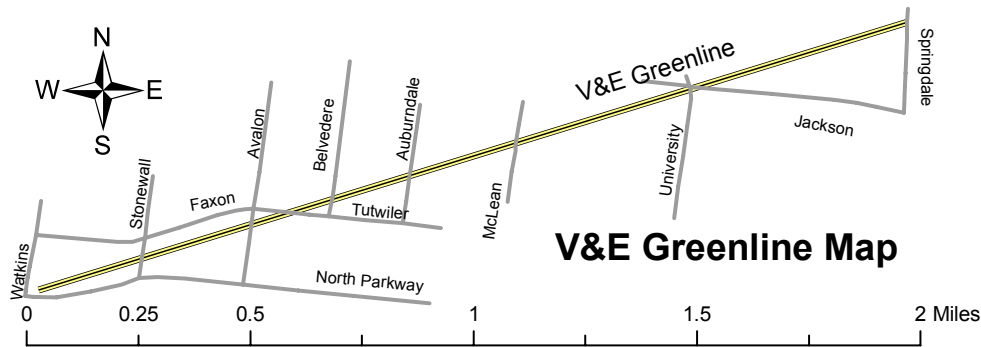


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The V&E Greenline is made up of many unique areas. This brochure will take you on a journey from west to east.

The **West End** area starts at the city bridge near Watkins and North Parkway, and goes to Stonewall. It has steep bluffs and a view from the top reveals a panorama of trees and greenery. The middle of this area shows storm damage from the infamous “Hurricane Elvis”, the destructive winds of July 22, 2003.

Keeler Bridge is an area from Stonewall to Avalon and is reflected in the beautiful bridge constructed and donated by Keeler Ironworks. The efforts of this caring business are responsible for opening the area to foot traffic and volunteers have responded with improved maintenance. Many residents of adjacent neighborhoods enter the Greenline at this point.

Utility Park runs from Avalon to Belvedere and has flat adjacent open

greenspaces that contain the water pumps from the golden sands aquifer through which MLGW provides water to Memphis residents. The beautiful oak trees planted by MLGW provide a canopy for shade and small trees to the south prosper under the power lines. A nineteenth century style railroad stationhouse is located in Utility Park.

The **Lick Creek** section meanders from Belvedere to Auburndale crossing over the creek on another bridge built by Keeler Ironworks. A look down into Lick Creek may reveal a momma duck with her small ducklings. Or, you will find bamboo that is harvested for the pandas living at the Memphis Zoo. And there are hundreds of birds in the adjacent back yards. Be careful of the steep sides adjacent to the roadbed.

The **Arbors and Gardens** area from Auburndale to McLean—soon to be an arboretum—has been transformed from a sun drenched open space to a tree lined canopy of native trees that were transplanted from nearby back yards. The gardens at Idlewild are a

product of volunteer efforts and have 30 species of perennial flowers.

The **Cut** section from McLean to University has high earth walls and is surrounded by a beautiful tree canopy. Because of potential erosion, the previous railroad owners planted kudzu, an invasive vine. Volunteers have tamed the kudzu, which has helped save the trees that were formerly being strangled by the kudzu.

The **Springs** area is the eastern end point of the Greenline. It is a tranquil area with large trees that provide shade and beauty. It is also the widest section of the Greenline and has many varieties of trees, suburbs, and vines. The picture below is the entrance to the Springs. The walking path in the roadbed is ballast left over from the railroad days.

Discover pleasure in all the areas of the V&E Greenline—or enjoy your favorite section.

