

# Friends Greenway Connector

## Community Conversation Q&A

### Q: Will the entrance at Woodbrook Drive be open to the public

A: Yes. The entrance will be open to the public. It will feature Parks and Recreation signage and appropriate security measures in partnership with Friends Homes.

### Q: Will the greenway be ADA compliant so that wheelchairs and walkers can safely roll on the path?

A: Yes! The greenway will be designed to ADA standards based on [City of Greensboro design guidelines](#) tailored to meet the specific facility development needs of Greensboro's greenway, bicycle, and pedestrian system, including compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and provide an accessible network.

### Q: How will Friends Homes residents access the greenway?

A: In addition to the Woodbrook Drive trailhead, Parks and Recreation staff are working with Friends Homes to evaluate the best access points for residents.

### Q: Will the greenway connect to Friendly Avenue?

A: Not at this time. Parks and Recreation only works with willing property owners and was unable to secure an easement through private parcels connecting to City-owned property adjacent to Friendly Avenue. Multiple alternatives were evaluated, however, there were no alignments that didn't involve private property or failure to comply with ADA standards. The Department will continue considering options for this connection.

### Q: Will the greenway increase stormwater runoff and flooding?

A: No. The greenway will be designed and subsequent modeling will ensure the greenway will not change the FRIS delineated floodplain model. This project will go through the City's Technical Review Committee, and comply with all city permitting requirements.

### Q: Will parking be impacted on Woodbrook that will negatively impact the neighborhood?

A: No. This greenway is a neighborhood "connector," designed to provide walkable access to the greenway for residents within a 5-10 minute walk of the trailhead. Occasional street parking may occur, but should not impact the neighborhood. This is evidenced in other connector trails around the City. Users wishing to drive to the Bicentennial Greenway will be directed to park at nearby Leonard Recreation Center, or other trailheads with parking.

### Q: Will the greenway go down Woodbrook?

A: There are no plans for the greenway to go down Woodbrook. This is a "connector" trail, designed to provide access to the neighborhood. Parks and Recreation will work with the Greensboro Department of



Transportation to address issues if they arise, but there are no plans to construct sidewalks or other infrastructure along Woodbrook Drive.

**Q: How long is the proposed greenway?**

A: Just under a mile from Woodbrook Drive to the Bicentennial Greenway.

**Q: Will the path go under the new Friends Homes bridge?**

A: Yes, the path will go under the bridge before turning towards Woodbrook Drive.

**Q: What is the project timeline?**

A: No funding has been identified for this project. Once construction funding has been identified, it would take a minimum of at least two years to begin construction, likely much longer due to the source of funding.

**Q: Why can't the greenway use the Friends Homes bridge and roads?**

A: The bridge and road network are on private property and are not ADA accessible.