

East Tennessee Greenways

A Public Information Series

Tuesday November 27, 2012
Open House: 5:00-5:30pm
Informational Session: 5:30-7:00pm
Oak Ridge Civic Center
1403 Oak Ridge Turnpike

More than 750 greenways in Tennessee provide access for people of all ages to get outdoors and enjoy our abundant natural beauty. Greenways connect communities, increase property values and promote public safety. Our region hosts almost half of greenways in the state, many located in and around rapidly developing neighborhoods. Community members best determine where trails go, so we are asking Anderson County citizens to tell us their thoughts.

Project Overview

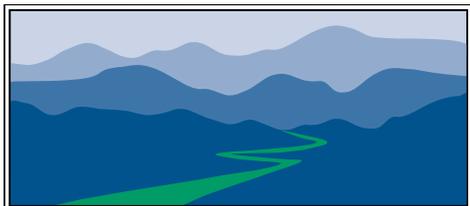
The Great Smoky Mountains Regional Greenway Council and Plan East Tennessee are providing technical resources to assist Union, Loudon, Anderson and Blount Counties improve their greenways systems. The goal is to identify new connections in and between these communities. Starting in November 2012, a series of meetings will collect information from local community members on what they believe a regional network of greenways should look like. The end result will be a regional map depicting potential greenways and blueways routes.

What is a Greenway?

A greenway is a linear open space established along a natural corridor, including a riverfront, stream valley, or ridgeline; or a railroad right-of-way, a canal, scenic road or other route. A greenway can be a natural or paved trail for pedestrian and bicycle use; a link between parks, nature reserves, cultural features, historic sites and nearby neighborhoods; or, linear parks designated as parkway or greenbelt. They include blueways as well, which are boating routes along streams, rivers and lakes with put-ins for kayaks and canoes.

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