

WELCOME

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Recommended by Plan Baton Rouge II, the Downtown Greenway is a 2.75 mile pedestrian and bicycling corridor that links the inner city core and expanded DDD boundaries to downtown parks, businesses, and cultural attractions utilizing the existing BREC parks, interstate infrastructure, and public right-of-ways.

Parks and Greenspaces connected by the Downtown Greenway:

- LSU Lakes - BREC Convention Street Park

- BREC City/Brooks Park - Capitol Lakes

BREC Expressway Park
North Boulevard Town Square
BREC 7th Street Park
BREC Memorial Stadium

- An economic stimulant, intending to spur new investments and redevelopment in the city's core, as well as strengthening workforce opportunities by providing an alternative transportation source.
- Connects to the Mississippi River Levee Trail at the recently completed Florida Riverfront Access Point at the intersection of Florida Street and River Road.
- Feasibility Study completed in 2010 by ABMB Engineers, Inc.
- Schematic design completed in 2012 by Spackman, Mossop, & Michaels + Tipton Associates through the EPA's Greening America's Capitals Program.
- Final design and construction plans completed in 2016 by Design Workshop & Reich Associates, through a grant funded by the Capital Area Finance Authority.
- Owned and operated by the City of Baton Rouge/Parish of East Baton Rouge in conjunction with the Recreation & Parks Commission for the Parish of East Baton Rouge (BREC) where the Downtown Greenway enters into BREC park areas.
- Construction completed at Expressway Park in the spring of 2015 with a partnership between the Downtown Development District/City-Parish of East Baton Rouge & BREC. Construction has also been completed in 2015 along Myrtle Street, connecting the Lincoln Theatre to the Downtown Greenway at Expressway Park, in a partnership with the East Baton Rouge Parish Redevelopment Authority.
- Approximately \$3 million in grant funding acquired through the local, state, and federal resources listed below:
 - 2011 FHWA Louisiana Recreational Trails Program (\$220,000 Expressway Park)
 - 2011 FHWA Louisiana Recreational Trails Program (\$118,000 Myrtle Street Connector)
 - 2011 DOTD Transportation Enhancement Program (\$1 Million T.J Jemison & East Blvd.)
 - 2012 FHWA Louisiana Recreational Trails Program (\$125,000 Phase One)
 - 2012 Capital Area Finance Authority (\$250,000 Planning & Construction Documents)
 - 2012 EPA's Greening America's Capitals Program (Technical, Schematic Design Assistance)
 - 2012 Transportation, Community and System Preservation Program (TCSP) (\$1.5 million North Boulevard)