



# WASHBROOK GREENWAY TRAIL

Implementation  
Phase  
2023-2026



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## Who We Are

The **Washbrook Greenway Coalition** is a group of local stakeholders from various backgrounds who envision the Washbrook as a community hub which can link the Southend of Sydney to the Downtown.

Our mission is to “Create and maintain a green corridor that runs from the Baille Ard Nature Trail system along the Washbrook to Royal Avenue.”

The Washbrook Greenway has been identified in the new CBRM AT Plan as one of the 10 signature projects





## Project History

- **Washbrook Greenway Coalition** established in 2018
- **Conceptual Plan** developed and presented to Council in 2019
- **Stakeholder Consultation** held in 2020
- **Schematic Plan** developed in 2021 with second round of public consultation
- Merger with **Southend Public Garden Society** in Summer 2022
- **Partnership Agreement** with CBRM being finalized



## Projects Completed To Date

- Funding acquired for conceptual and schematic plans (**CCTH and PW**)
- Funding acquired for recreational accessories and built environment supports (**CCTH, inkind**)
- Reconciliation Planting Event with Brookland Elementary, Elder, ACAP (**Health Promoting Schools Funds, inkind**)
- Riparian Planting Partnership with ACAP Cape Breton
- Funding acquired to be put towards Phase 1 (**PW and Federal Funding**)



# In-kind supports

- Grant writing/Proposal writing
- Project management and planning
- Liaising with like-minded, local groups
- Public meetings and consultations
- Monthly Society meetings
- Litter clean ups
- Weeding, weed-whacking, watering
- Ordering and transporting plants/trees
- Educational sessions at garden site
- Events at garden site
- Maintaining partnerships with ACAP, CBRM, CBU, CBVRCE and service clubs
- Garbage removal
- Communications - media, social media pages
- Assessing/managing risks (e.g. wetland platform)
- Removing graffiti and addressing damages
- Setting up and maintaining recreation equipment
- Advocacy for green spaces, forests, wetlands...
- Promoting accessibility
- Equipment storage
- Volunteer recruitment and management



# Project Implementation 2023-26

- **Phase 1: 2023-24**; includes development of Main Path, Connecting Paths, 3 Main and 1 Secondary Bridge
- **Phase 2: 2024-25**; includes Multicourt construction, waste enclosure, nature playground
- **Phase 3: 2025-26**; includes trail heads, parking, crosswalks

Various aspects of the project will occur throughout all phases, including bike racks, benches, constructed wetlands and tree/shrub planting and accessibility infrastructure



## Budget

Our projected budget for the project as a whole (2023-26) is **\$1,559,478.00**. This is broken down into 4 categories: The Washbrook Greenway Trail, The Southend Public Gardens, Contingency Costs and Soft Costs.

We have been awarded a federal grant, in principle, pending the review and ratification of a contribution agreement which will tentatively cover a portion of capital costs for the period of **2023-26**. We also have a provincial grant to cover a portion of the costs for 2023-24.



## Request from CBRM

Again, recognizing that the Washbrook Greenway is identified as one of CBRM's signature AT projects, and also recognizing that this is a shovel-ready project with schematic plans ready to be implemented, and recognizing that we have obtained, in principle, significant funding towards this project - we respectfully request the CBRM Council's support for **30% of the funding required to begin Phase 1** of the Washbrook Greenway for the 2023-24 fiscal year and to agree, in principle, to support a portion of annual costs for the remainder of the construction/capital phase of the project.

As our principal partner and owner of the land on which the trail is to be constructed, we are asking for your authorization, in the form of a motion, to enter into an agreement with our federal funder to construct the trail on Municipal property.

**Thank you!**



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