MISSION:
The mission of the City of Concord is to partner with our community to deliver services, preserve, protect and enhance the quality of life and plan for the future.

Concord Parks and Recreation Department
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Additional information about the City of Concord Parks and Recreation Department and the Livable Community Blueprint for Cabarrus County may be found at the following web site:
www.concordparksandrec.org

THE BENEFITS OF A GREENWAY are many, from health benefits resulting from exercise and fresh air to the environmental benefits that affect wildlife and quality of life.

RECREATION AND HEALTH: by creating a greenway system, we make it easier to access a park and to lead a healthy lifestyle through exercise such as walking and biking.

TRANSPORTATION: greenways enable residents to move about the City without driving a car. This is a wonderful way to access restaurants, entertainment, other parks, shopping and employment.

EDUCATION: walking on a greenway trail puts us in close proximity to streams and wildlife that we may not see in active parks or in our normal daily activities. This interaction with the streams and wildlife makes us more aware of the value of our water quality and of the plants and animals that live nearby.

ENVIRONMENT: in addition to providing trails, greenways also serve to enhance water quality by preserving a buffer between development and streams and they create wildlife corridors throughout our city.

A GREENWAY is a long narrow park that typically follows a natural feature such as a stream or ridge, or perhaps an abandoned railroad corridor. Most greenways have trails but some do not.

Concord Greenways now open:
Harold B. McEachern Greenway
The Village Greenway

Greenways in Concord will eventually include 40 miles of trails along streams such as Rocky River, Irish Buffalo Creek, Coddle Creek, Three Mile Branch, and Academy Creek.
Venture out and enjoy the beauty of these completed greenways:

Harold B. McEachern Greenway
The greenway trail starts at the lower parking lot of Les Myers Park and travels to the traffic light at Branchview Drive and Lawndale Avenue. From here it runs alongside the creek for about 5,000 feet to the intersection of Branchview Drive and Corban Avenue. The path crosses under Corban Avenue using a pedestrian tunnel and accesses McGee Park, a fourteen acre park that includes a lawn area, shelter, playground, benches, a parking lot and trails.

Parking is available at Les Myers Park and McGee Park.

The Village Greenway
The Village Greenway runs through the historic Gibson Village community, providing citizens of Concord with a one half-mile paved asphalt trail that walkers, runners, bicyclists, and roller bladers can all enjoy.

There are three entrances to The Village Greenway: at the Boys and Girls Club of Cabarrus County; on Academy Avenue just past Webb Field; and on Kerr Street between Crowell Drive and Cedar Drive.

The City of Concord’s Planned Greenway System
(Contingent upon funding by Public/Private Partnerships)

Harold B. McEachern Greenway will run upstream along Three Mile Branch Creek, ending in the vicinity of Carolinas Medical Center NorthEast. With trails constructed of ten foot wide paved asphalt, walkers, runners, bicyclists and roller bladers can enjoy nature equally.