

The Anchorage Park Foundation along with our partners has identified community-supported priority projects that address the largest gaps, navigation challenges, and safety issues in the trail system. This community vision for connecting Anchorage is the pathway to safe and connected walkable, bikeable transportation strategies and investments to increase connectivity on streets and trails.

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 - *The AMATS Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is the region's short range spending plan for transportation improvements. Projects identified in the TIP have funding in the 2023 to 2026 cycle.
 - + Municipal bonds passed to funds improvements.



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A Vision to Connect Anchorage

1 Ship Creek to Coastal Trail + Gateway to AK Long Trail

*AMATS Transportation Improvement Program Project No. NMO00001

Connects the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail to the Ship Creek Trail in downtown Anchorage. Construction in 2025-26. Visit connectcoastaltoship. com. Funding needed for Long Trail Plaza.

2 Connect Government Hill to Ship Creek Trail and Downtown

Gov Hill Parks Master Plan

Connect Government Hill neighborhood to Ship Creek trail and downtown.

3 Downtown Wayfinding

Voters approved \$250k for downtown wayfinding in 2024 road bond. Signs should include directions to Ship Creek and Coastal Trails. Protected bike lanes are needed for downtown Anchorage.

4 Downtown Gateway to Ship Creek Trail

Anchorage Parks & Recreation owns land on 4th Avenue that holds potential for an urban gateway connecting the historic Iditarod Trail and the Downtown Mushing District to the Ship Creek Trail.

5 Connect Fairview – Hyder Street Greenway

Connect Chester Creek Trail to Ship Creek Trail through Fairview.

6 Chester Creek Greenbelt and Mulcahy Stadium Improvements

MTP 2040 Land Use Plan and Fairview Neighborhood Plan

Funding is needed to improve the Chester Creek Trail corridor, including connecting neighborhoods to the greenbelt, and improving the sports complex and parks.

7 Sitka Street Park Connection to Chester Creek Trail

Connect Sitka Street Park to Chester Creek trail.

8 Fish Creek Trail to Coastal Trail + Indigenous Plaza

*AMATS Transportation Improvement Program Project No. NMO00002

This project is to build a new section of the Fish Creek Trail to connect Spenard and Midtown to the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail. Participate at fishcreektrail.com. The two trails are currently separated by a 0.75-mile gap.

9 Connecting the Moose Loop to the UMED District

AMATS Travel Demand Study 2022

Funding is needed to improve active transportation in the UMED district - particularly between UAA, King Tech High School and Goose Lake. Find a map to walk or bike the "Goose Loop" at anchorageparkfoundation.org.

10 Goose Lake Park Improvements

Funding is needed to re-develop the earthquake-damaged boathouse for year-round recreation including a winter center restaurant and paddleboard and ski rentals.

11 Secret Parks Trail Wayfinding

Funding is needed for wayfinding and navigation to link east side parks together.

12 Daylight Fish Creek

2022 Voter-Approved Road Bond + Assembly Resolution

Friends of Fish Creek invites you to imagine a free-flowing Fish Creek - restoring underground culverts into a living greenbelt. Visit daylightfishcreek.org.

13 Campbell Creek Trail Crossing Over Lake Otis Parkway

AMATS Transportation Improvement Program Project ID: NMO00011

This funded project is to design and build a grade-separated bike and pedestrian facility over Lake Otis Parkway, fixing the last gap in the Moose Loop on the 7.5-mile Campbell Creek Trail. The public process begins in 2024.

14 Perimeter Trail (AK Long Trail)

Northeast Community Council Approved Park Master Plan

There is no safe trail connection along Muldoon Road. Funding is needed for a Re-con study to bring landowners together to find a route to connect the Glenn Highway Trail (part of the AK Long Trail) to Far North Bicentennial Park.

15 Kincaid Winter Center

Funding is needed to improve the winter experience and trail maintenance at Kincaid. Ideas include a snowmaking retention pond, new scoreboard, a roller ski trail loop, more indoor facility options and improvements for winter cycling.

16 Elmore Trail Safe Crossing to Abbott Loop Community Park

Provide a means to safely cross from the path along Elmore Road to the Abbott Loop Community Park and Far North Bicentennial Park.

17 Brayton Dr Pedestrian/Bike Path

Huffman/O'Malley Community Council priority

Extend the pathway from Huffman Road to Legacy Drive with crossings and signage as needed.

18 Huffman Road Safe Routes to Schools

Request for AMATS Transportation Improvement Program

Five schools have a missing gap in the trail system on Huffman Rd. This road and trail project will create a safe path on the north side of Huffman between Elmore and Birch.

19 Potter Marsh Watershed Park Trails

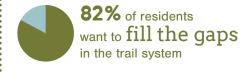
Great Land Trust is working with the Muni and GCI to create a 300-acre park above Potter Marsh. Funding is needed for trails and wayfinding.

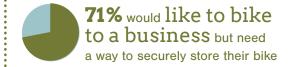
A large 2023 survey of Anchorage residents shows strong public support for trails.

Anchorage Trails Visioning Map 5.1.24









Further survey results at AnchorageParkFoundation.org



ANCHORAGE PARK FOUNDATION

System-Wide Projects

20 Trail System-Wide Bike Storage and Lighting

Secure bicycle parking and trail lighting to encourage year-round use of trails to access essential destinations.

21 Indigenous Place Names Project

Funding is secured for 32 signs and a plaza.

Alaska Long Trail Projects

22 Anchorage to Mat-Su (AK Long Trail)

This project is to connect gaps in the proposed AK Long Trail between the Mat-Su and Anchorage. An engineering study has highlighted feasible routes and funding is needed to build the trail.

23 Anchorage to Girdwood (AK Long Trail)

Northeast Community Council Approved Park Master Plan

This project is to fill short gaps in the trail system from Anchorage to Girdwood. The first gap is from Potter Marsh mailboxes to the Turnagain Arm Trail (.3 mile). The 2nd is a 3.7-mile gap on the Seward Hwy between the end of the Turnagain Arm Trail at Windy Corner (Mile post 106.7) and the start of the Bird to Gird paved trail (Mile Post 103).



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