

Beerline Multi-Use Trail & Community Park

This project involved revitalizing an abandoned, blighted railway corridor that crosses through two Milwaukee neighborhoods. Our design included assessing trail connections to existing neighborhood parks and alleys and the existing Beerline Trail, low-maintenance native landscaping, innovative stormwater management practices such as a dry infiltration basin that can double as an ice rink, phyto remediation, stormwater trees for evapo-transpiration, micro-grading to direct runoff, plazas, and erosion control and grading plans. We talked with residents living along the railway, worked with neighborhood leaders, City of Milwaukee Department of Public Works staff, the Riverworks Business Improvement District, and local aldermen, and held numerous public information meetings. The final deliverable was a set of plans and specifications sent out for bidding that was approved through the City of Milwaukee and WisDOT.

The project was a finalist for the Milwaukee Awards for Neighborhood Development Innovation (MANDI) - Brewers Community Foundation Public Space Award in 2012. Here's a [video](#) about the project that screened at the award ceremony.