

**Connections to Little Blue Trace Trail**

The Little Blue Trace Trail is an important local and regional transportation and recreation amenity, but is difficult to access without a car.

East-West access is needed to connect residents to the trail from the rest of the city, such as along Truman Rd. and Bundschu Rd.



*Little Blue Trace Trail*

**Implement MetroGreen**

The Little Blue Trace Trail is part of MARC’s regional MetroGreen network of planned trails. Additional streamway trails are also recommended in the plan, including along Burr Oak Creek connecting eastern Independence to Blue Springs and the Burr Oak Woods Conservation Area.



*Little Blue Parkway bridge over Little Blue River*

**Development Integration**

Require and/or develop guidelines to include active transportation infrastructure, such as off-street trails and bicycle parking, with new development projects. This may include easements for future facilities, as appropriate.



*Arterial street without sidewalks*

**Complete Streets Projects**

Standardize the inclusion of separated bicycle facilities such as protected lanes, shared-use paths, or off-street trails as part of new major street projects. Sidewalks at least five feet in width, and ADA ramps at intersections, should be included on both sides of all future streets.



*Residential neighborhood with sidewalks*