

**Neighborhood Pathways Program
Application Process
2012 – 2013**

A two-tier application process was created for neighborhood groups to submit pathways projects for funding consideration. In September 2012, the program was announced. Neighborhood groups were asked to submit preliminary proposals describing the scope of the proposed improvements, as well as a narrative addressing the unique need for and value of the pathway. In October, an Open House was held to explain the application process and explore project ideas with residents.

In November 2012, 18 preliminary applications were received from neighborhoods. Overall, staff and the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) were impressed with the ideas neighborhoods brought forward for new trail and pathway concepts.

Neighborhood Pathways Preliminary Applications November, 2012

Location	Project Group
16th Avenue, SE, to the Olympia Woodland Trail	Indian Creek Neighborhood Association
26th Avenue, NE, to Priest Point Park	Northeast Neighborhood Association
Bethel Street, NE, Thurston to Tullis	Bigelow Highlands Neighborhood Association
Boundary St, SE, to the Olympia Woodland Trail	Indian Creek Neighborhood Association
Bowman and Hays, NW, from Rogers to West Bay	Northwest Neighborhood Association
Central Street, NE, and Miller Ave (Mission Creek)	Northeast Neighborhood Association
Conger Ave, NW, and Cardigan St from Capital High School to Evergreen Village Apartments	Northwest Neighborhood Association
Cooper Pt, NW, trails through Grass Lake to 6 th Ave	N/A
Decatur and Caton Way, SW	Southwest Olympia Neighborhood Association
Decatur/15th Avenue and Caton Way, SW	South Westside Olympia Neighborhood Assoc
Farwell St, NW, from Division to Thomas	Northwest Neighborhood Association
Goldcrest Drive, NW asphalt path resurfacing	Goldcrest Neighborhood Association
Jackson Avenue, NW, from Cushing to Milroy	Northwest Olympia Neighborhood Association
Monterey Street, SW, to SPSCC	Percival Creek Neighborhood Association
Woodard Ave, NW, Rogers to West Bay	Northwest Neighborhood Association
Puget St, NE, from Miller to Jasper	Northeast Neighborhood Association
Scammell Ave, NW, from Division to Milroy	Northwest Olympia Neighborhood Association
Thomas/Madison, NW, pocket park to Garfield Nature Trail	Northwest Olympia Neighborhood Association

No scoring system was used to rank the projects. Direction for this program was for the neighborhood to bring forward projects that were of value to the neighborhood. BPAC considered these questions in reviewing the applications:

1. Does the pathway provide transportation and recreational value?
2. Is there a parallel alternate route?
3. Does the pathway benefit both bicyclists and pedestrians?
4. Is there a specific destination the pathway provides access to?
5. Is there an even geographic distribution of projects?
6. Will the project be an easy success in the first year of the program?
7. Is there an opportunity for an easy maintenance plan?

After reviewing these preliminary applications in December, BPAC requested that 8 projects proceed to the full proposal stage. Full proposals itemize the costs of the improvements and describe responsibilities in more detail. At the full proposal stage, neighborhood groups specify whether projects are entirely grant funded; partially grant funded, with the City taking-on defined aspects of the project, or; entirely City constructed. From the 18 preliminary applications, eight full proposals were sought.

Full proposal requested for:

- 16th Avenue, SE, to the Olympia Woodland Trail
- 26th Avenue, NE, to Priest Point Park
- Boundary Street, SE, to the Olympia Woodland Trail
- Central Street, NE, and Miller Avenue (Mission Creek)
- Monterey Street, SW, to SPSCC
- Woodard Avenue, NW, from Rogers to West Bay Drive
- Puget Street, NE, from Miller to Jasper
- Scammell Avenue, NW, from Milroy to Division

Of the 8 requests for full proposals, 6 were received. Full proposals were not received for the Monterey Street or Boundary Street projects. The Monterey Street proposal will be pursued outside of this program. The Boundary Street project will be submitted at a later date, once there is more support for the project from adjacent residents.