



The Spring Garden Connector

River to River: A New Connection

About the Project

The Spring Garden Connector Project, or “The Connector,” is a Philadelphia Streets Department project that will enhance and improve the Spring Garden corridor for all those who travel along it. The Connector will create a cleaner, greener, and safer Spring Garden Street for everyone. Improvements include:



Curb Extensions



Green Stormwater Systems



Lighting Upgrades



Traffic Signal Upgrades



Protected Bike Lanes



Resurfacing & Restriping



Spring Garden Street & N 8th Street

History

In the Fall of 2020, the City conducted public engagement to learn what nearby community members would prioritize for the new street design. Here's what was heard across 2,100 comments: (1) Community members want The Connector to include greenery, (2) be clean and maintained, and (3) provide physical separation between motorists and people walking, rolling, and biking.

Project Map

The project area includes the length of Spring Garden Street between Pennsylvania Avenue to the West and N Delaware Avenue to the East.

Legend

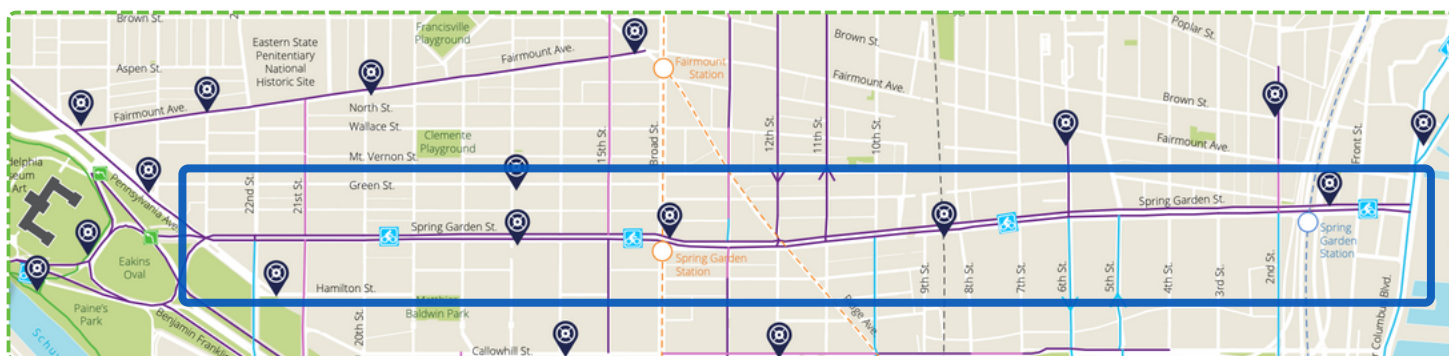
Existing Bike Facilities

- Separated Bike Lane
- Bike Lane
- Sharrow
- Paved Trail & Sidewalk
- Unpaved Trail

Indego Bike Share

- Bike Share Station

Sources:
Philadelphia City Planning Commission, Philadelphia Streets Department, Philadelphia Department of Parks and Recreation, Office of Transportation and Infrastructure Systems, SEPTA, Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission.



Why Spring Garden Street?

Spring Garden Street is ideally situated for a river-to-river connection, as it runs along the width of Center City, connecting the Delaware River and Schuylkill River trails. The Spring Garden Connector will link together both of the river trails for those who walk, bike, and roll. Until now, there has been no protected bike connection across the city between the two trails.

A Roadway Designed for Everyone

The Connector will do more than connect Philly's trails. It will connect people, communities, increase economic vitality, and enhance the feel and function of Spring Garden Street. Philly's trails are more popular than ever, and The Connector aims to make it easier to access them not just for recreation but also for running daily errands. The Connector aims to improve access and comfort to take public transit, such as SEPTA's Route 43 bus, and it aims to make driving more pleasant and predictable for motorists along the corridor.

Goals

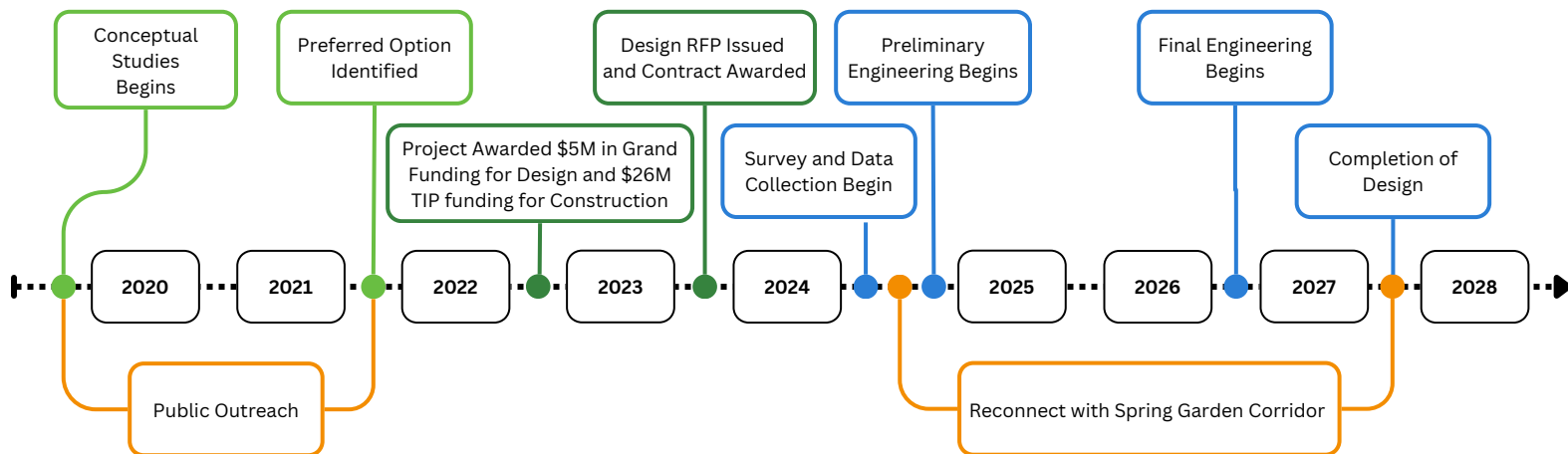
Provide a **safe and accessible corridor for all users** – pedestrians, cyclists, transit riders, and motorists – and for all abilities.

Advance Philadelphia's **health, environmental, and traffic safety goals**.

Contribute to the **sense of place** on Spring Garden Street by building on the corridor's strengths and promoting community health and wellbeing.

Complete the Center City Philadelphia section of the **East Coast Greenway** to contribute to the broader vision for the East Coast.

Timeline



Get Involved!



Learn more about the project and upcoming events!

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We need your help to guide the future of Spring Garden Street. Come see us at community events or reach out to us online! YOU can help envision the Spring Garden Connector.



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