

GOLTRA PRESERVE TRAILS: A NEW NATURAL SURFACE TRAIL SYSTEM FOR CINCINNATI'S WEST SIDE

The Goltra Trails Project: a community-driven partnership led by the Cincinnati Off-Road Alliance (CORA), The Hillside Trust, and the East Westwood Improvement Association. This transformative effort will improve greenspace access, community health, and neighborhood connectivity in a historically underserved area.

WHY GOLTRA TRAILS MATTER

- » East Westwood has 49% tree canopy, yet almost no public greenspace. The 3-mile Goltra Trails will open this hidden gem for residents and visitors with safe, walkable, and rideable trails.
- » The project will increase connectivity and walkability in an area with limited transit options and poor pedestrian infrastructure, as identified by the City of Cincinnati.
- » Goltra Trails will help reunite communities divided by I-74, linking Mt. Airy Forest, Bracken Woods, and surrounding neighborhoods and serve as a critical first step toward a larger trail system west of I-74 and future connections to the CROWN trail network.
- » It will provide Roll Hill Elementary students and families direct access to environmental education and outdoor fitness opportunities.
- » The trails offer a cooling natural refuge for a predominantly low-income neighborhood disproportionately impacted by rising temperatures in the Cincinnati basin.



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PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS



- » Professionally designed, sustainable, multi-use trails suitable for walkers, runners, mountain bikers, and nature lovers.
- » Environmentally sensitive construction along hillside contours, with durable materials for bridges and infrastructure designed to last.
- » Creation of mentorship and volunteer opportunities, fostering local pride and stewardship.
- » Trail design will reflect a diverse usage population making it accessible for children, families, and adaptive bikes, addressing a need not met in the majority of local trails.



TIMELINE AND FUNDING

- » All trails are mapped and ready for construction.
- » Once fully funded, CORA can complete the total project in approximately 12 months.
- » Partial construction, however, can proceed with phased in funding and planning.
- » **Total Cost: \$144,000** - supported through grants, community donations, and local partnerships.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

-  Your support will bring this vital community resource to life. Every donation helps create safe, sustainable trails that will serve East Westwood and the greater Cincinnati region for generations.
-  Donate today at www.coratrails.org or contact Shawn Cox at shawn@coratrails.org to learn how you or your organization can contribute.