

side, as well as announce a gateway to the community and to the mountains. It will convey to travelers on U.S. 24 that this is a place and not just a passageway.

A DESTINATION

The Greenway will be a regional destination, hosting events and encouraging people to visit. It will be a stopping place along local and regional trails and will encourage development of compatible adjacent businesses.

A CONNECTOR

The Greenway will provide connections to existing business districts, local attractions and to the Westside's parks and open spaces. Key elements to be connected on the Westside include Garden of the Gods, Old Colorado City, Manitou Springs and Red Rocks Canyon Open Space. It will also bind together local and regional trails.

ABOUT THE COMMUNITY

From the history of the area to its present-day mixed-use, the Greenway will tell the story of the Westside. The planning, management and maintenance of the Greenway will be a community success and a template for other projects within the Pikes Peak area. The Greenway will be a true community partnership.

In order for this plan to become a reality, it will be necessary for monies from local, state and federal agencies to be optimized by combining improvements and resources. Construction of elements using a variety of funds and accomplishing different goals can be done concurrently, which opens up the possibility of bringing a wide variety of partners into the project.

While CDOT's U.S. 24 improvements will play a significant role in the Greenway, the key is finding a group to lead the Midland Greenway efforts and pursue these opportunities and partnerships, ensuring that the plans that have been set forth can be brought to life.

