

# GUIDING PRINCIPLES

To make consistent routing decisions, eight desired guiding principles were defined. These principles reflect the location, purpose, physical characteristics, design intent, context, and social benefits that each route should provide to the user. In turn, each route and the network as a whole abide by the principles that were established early in the planning process.

## THE CENTRAL ARKANSAS REGIONAL GREENWAY NETWORK WILL BE...



### TRANSPORTATION-FOCUSED

Central Arkansas greenway routes will be viable alternate transportation options.



### PHYSICALLY SEPARATED

Central Arkansas greenway routes will be physically separated from vehicular traffic to the greatest extent possible in order to accommodate a variety of users and maintain bicycle and pedestrian comfort.



### SAFE

Central Arkansas greenway routes will prioritize user safety by minimizing conflicts with automobiles, increasing user visibility in areas of uncertainty, and providing appropriate accommodations for emergency situations.



### CONTEXT SENSITIVE

Central Arkansas greenway route facility types will adjust according to the challenges of the built and natural environment.



### INCLUSIVE

Central Arkansas greenway routes will be inclusive and equitable for a diverse range of users.



### CONSISTENT

Central Arkansas greenway routes will be consistent in routing approach, priorities, assumptions, and design, creating a clear distinction from local bicycle and pedestrian paths.



### HIGH QUALITY

Central Arkansas greenway routes will be planned, designed, and constructed according to best practices considering national standards and regional influences in order to deliver a high-quality system.



### WELL-CONNECTED

Central Arkansas greenway routes will be well-connected to centers of population and relevant destinations, including public and private amenities and services.