

**Green Network Program**

Green infrastructure implementation in 2020-2021 has progressed through capital funding. To consider it an ongoing civic program, sustainment of green infrastructure work through a Green Network Program was presented as a growth item in the operating budget for 2022-2023, and funding was approved as part of the 2023 plan to develop, sustain, and operate the Green Network Program. A program plan for this work is under development and will include the core responsibilities as outlined in the table below.

Green Network Program – Core Responsibilities	Description	Short-term priorities
Program Management	<p>Coordinates Green Pathways initiatives including reporting, scheduling, communications, and engagement.</p> <p>Provides support for capital projects within the Implementation Plan including acquiring resources and coordinating the efforts of team members.</p> <p>Provides subject matter expertise for other Departments.</p>	<p>Lead business case development for initiatives, as outlined in Green Pathways.</p>
Equity and Inclusion	<p>Ensures that equity and Triple Bottom Line outcomes are embedded into all green infrastructure programs.</p>	<p>Coordinate with the City’s reconciliation, equity, diversity, and inclusion (REDI) team to embed equity into the initiatives.</p>
Research and Data Management	<p>Oversees data, studies, and progress towards performance measures.</p>	<p>Continue building existing research partnerships with the University of Saskatchewan and other partners.</p>
Education and Communications	<p>Oversees a communications plan to broadly support implementation and increase awareness of green infrastructure and the green network.</p>	<p>Through Initiative 4.1.1, develop a communications plan for Green Pathways and in alignment with program-specific education and communications.</p>
Partnerships	<p>Supports existing partnerships such as with Meewasin and the University of Saskatchewan. Develops and maintains partnerships with the community, partner organizations, rights-holders, other levels of government, and other stakeholders.</p>	<p>Continue partnership building with Meewasin in alignment with the City-Meewasin Master Agreement.</p> <p>Work with the Indigenous Initiatives Department to build relationships and partnerships with Indigenous communities, organizations, Elders, and Knowledge Keepers.</p>

<p>Funding</p>	<p>Leads funding applications and monitors opportunities for programs and initiatives. This includes preparing, administering, and reporting as part of a funding cycle.</p>	<p>Oversee implementation of externally funded projects and ensure reporting and other funding requirements are delivered. Monitor and apply for additional federal funding opportunities.</p>
<p>Community Grant</p>	<p>Oversees the green network component of the City's Environmental Cash Grant (approximately \$10,000 per year).</p>	<p>Through Initiative 4.2.1, maintain the current green network component of the Environmental Cash Grant and seek opportunities for promotion and expansion.</p>
<p>Monitoring and Reporting</p>	<p>Monitors progress towards the Green Pathways vision and reports regularly on outcomes and progress towards performance measures. Progress reports to occur every 2 years in alignment with business case submissions.</p> <p>Leads regular updates of Green Pathways every 5 years. The first scheduled update is 2025.</p>	<p>Provide regular progress reports to City Council.</p> <p>Update the City's Environmental Dashboard to include progress towards the interconnected green network.</p>