MIBOR ECDC 2021 GRANTEE

BROAD RIPPLE RIVERWALK: A TRANSFORMATIVE PROJECT

BROAD RIPPLE VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

\$2,500

Project Overview:

Over 30 years in the making, community partners and the Broad Ripple Village Association have turned the dream of the Broad Ripple RiverWalk into a reality. In 2017, the Broad Ripple RiverWalk Task Force submitted a successful proposal to the City of Indianapolis Department of Public Works for a Neighborhood Infrastructure Grant. The grant secures half the funding for the \$1.1 million project. With the idea that beautiful and pedestrian-friendly spaces create healthier, happier and more equitable communities, the Broad Ripple RiverWalk, is a 0.4-mile, 12-foot-wide concrete multiuse trail along the north side of Broad Ripple Avenue. The RiverWalk will safely accommodate pedestrians, bicyclists and users of all ages and abilities, offering scenic views of the White River and provide a safe way to travel between Broad Ripple Park and the Monon Trail.

While the City of Indianapolis Department of Public Works Neighborhood Infrastructure Grant will pay for the construction of the project, it will not pay for any of the amenities. These amenities include landscaping, lighting, seating and a scenic overlook. The MIBOR ECDC knew the importance of these amenities and therefore invested \$2,500 into the project.

Project Timeline:

- Late fall 2021 The RiverWalk project goes out to bid through DPW
- Spring 2022 Construction is anticipated to begin
- Late fall 2022 or mid-2023* Completion of trail construction (Installation of lighting, benches, and other amenities)

*dependent upon weather and construction