

# 2014 Neighborhood Park and Street Fund Project Application

## Applicant Information

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<b>How did you hear about this fund?</b>	DON		

## Project Name:

Puget Boulevard Recreational Trail Project – Planning and Design Study resulting in a Plan and Specification Report

## Project Information

1. What type of project is this: PARKS
2. Please describe the problem you are trying to address:
  - This proposal is to create a Planning and Design Study resulting in a Plan and Specification Report for the Puget Boulevard Recreational Trail Project idea. This study and report will provide needed documentation in application for project funding sources whether or in combination of City, County, State or Federal.
  - Puget Boulevard Recreational Trail Project scope is provided in the proposal section and the remainder of this application addressing the benefits of the recreational trail.
  - Puget Boulevard Recreational Trail Project scope would address West Seattle’s east/west geographical challenges and provide additional recreational & transit options.
  - Improve pedestrian safety on SW Brandon Street between 26<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> Ave SW (and the West Seattle Golf Course perimeter trail) that currently relies on a relatively heavily travelled road void of sidewalks or other pedestrian protections.
  - Completion of the West Seattle Golf Course perimeter trails along the golf course’s South and East boundaries which currently consist of the shoulder on a heavily used street (Brandon SW) with systemic speeding issues and Camp Long trails that are non-ADA compliant and have limited availability to the public (available only during Camp Longs hours).
  - This idea was created in association with the Seattle’s Parks Golf Master Plan for the West Seattle Golf Course perimeter trail:
    - “A sidewalk along SW Brandon Street can provide access around the southern perimeter and trails in the south-west quadrant can extend ... (on) the service road.” (Page 108 [http://www.seattle.gov/parks/Publications/golf\\_appendices.pdf](http://www.seattle.gov/parks/Publications/golf_appendices.pdf))
  - This recreation trail aligns with goals as stated in the Golf Master Plan:
    - “Neighborhood residents also liked the trails because of their recreational value and the connections they provide with other destinations.”
    - “Perimeter trails around the golf course provide an important amenity for local residents and allow non-golfers to more fully enjoy these public open spaces.”



- “They can have a positive impact on public health by providing new recreational outlets, as well as on the profitability of clubhouses by attracting new users to the dining facilities and pro shops.”

3. Describe your proposed solution:

**Puget Boulevard Recreational Trail Project Scope:**

- Creation of approximately ¾ mile 12-foot-wide paved path from 35<sup>th</sup> Ave SW & SW Alaska to 26<sup>th</sup> Ave SW & SW Brandon (connection to 26<sup>th</sup> Ave Greenway Trail).
    - Section One: 35<sup>th</sup> Ave SW & Alaska to 29<sup>th</sup> Ave SW & SW Brandon, travelling along the Camp Long/West Seattle Golf Course boundary.
    - Section Two: 29<sup>th</sup> Ave SW & SW Brandon to 26<sup>th</sup> Ave SW & SW Brandon, to connect the trail to 26<sup>th</sup> Ave SW (as this section of Brandon does not have sidewalks).
  - Trail should be modeled after the Mountain to Sound Trail including:
    - A 12-foot-wide paved and level surface for non-motorized recreational and transit uses (e.g. walking, biking, and running).
    - Fencing along both sides of the trail to keep children and pets from wandering into the brush (Camp Long or Golf Course)
    - A trail design utilizing CPTED techniques, lighted so the trail can be used during the winter evenings and winter evening commutes
    - Landscaping work that removes overgrown blackberry bushes, weeds, and invasive plants and replacing them with native and low maintenance landscaping.
  - This proposal and the project therein is one that was listed as a potential solution to the West Seattle Golf Course perimeter trail. Per the Golf Master Plan, “A sidewalk along SW Brandon Street can provide access around the southern perimeter and trails in the south-west quadrant can extend through Camp Long or the service road.” (Page 108 [http://www.seattle.gov/parks/Publications/golf\\_appendices.pdf](http://www.seattle.gov/parks/Publications/golf_appendices.pdf))
    - As of today, the West Seattle Golf Course does not have an ADA accessible or trails accessible to the public without restrictions along either the South or East boundaries.
  - If this project is approved and funding is awarded, I will create a community group to procure funding.
4. What is the physical location of the proposed project or problem; provide the EXACT address and/or cross streets.
- Section One: 35<sup>th</sup> Ave SW & Alaska to 29<sup>th</sup> Ave SW & SW Brandon travelling along the Camp Long/West Seattle Golf Course boundary
  - Section Two: 29<sup>th</sup> Ave SW & SW Brandon to 26<sup>th</sup> Ave SW & SW Brandon, to connect the trail to 26<sup>th</sup> Ave SW as this section of Brandon does not have sidewalks
5. If it is near a school, please identify.
- Yes, Boren School – STEM K-8
6. How does the project address maintenance upgrades or repairs to existing city parks and/or streets?
- Improves fencing between Camp Long and the West Seattle Golf Course.
  - Improves/completes the West Seattle Golf course perimeter trail and will make it ADA compliant along the South and East boundaries.
  - Will remove invasive vegetation along the golf course and Camp Long boundary.
  - Creates new transit and recreational options that is separate from roads uses by motorize vehicles.
7. Does the project improve access for people with disabilities? If so, how?
- Results of this project will provide ADA complaint recreational and transit access from Delridge Way SW and the 26<sup>th</sup> Ave Greenway (North Delridge) to 35<sup>th</sup> Ave SW & SW Alaska (the Junction, West Seattle’s Economic hub).

8. Does the project address safety needs? If so, how?
- SW Brandon St from 26<sup>th</sup> Ave SW to 30<sup>th</sup> Ave SW does not have a sidewalk, thus pedestrians travelling between the Highpoint or Snake Hill neighborhoods and Delridge Way (primarily as means to get to the 120 Bus or Boren School) are forced to walk in the street which has a systemic speeding problem.
  - This trail will provide cyclist travelling from Delridge to the Junction (West Seattle's economic hub) a route that would lessen the number of major arterials travelled upon and due to steep hills, would be more accessible to users of all abilities.
  - Conversely, residents in and around the Junction who commute to downtown on their bicycle would have an alternative to the treacherous and steep Avalon Way, as the Puget Boulevard Recreational Trail would connect to the new 26<sup>th</sup> Ave Greenway.
  - Walking from Delridge to the Junction requires walking up steep hills that increase people risks of over-excursion.
9. In which Neighborhood District is your project located? (*see attached map*) Please select one. If your project is within an overlap area, you must select ONE district only.
- Delridge Neighborhoods

**Project Support**

10. Have you discussed this project with your community and/or neighbors? Not personally, but the project idea has been previously with Seattle Parks and the Master Golf Plan.
11. Have you worked with the City of Seattle on this project in the past? NO, but previous submitted NPSF project by it was rejected due to cost.

Additional Information:

**Puget Boulevard Recreational Trail Route**



Current West Seattle Golf Course south boundary perimeter trail (Brandon Street SW between 26<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> Ave SW)



**For transportation projects:**

It is always best to discuss your project with the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) **before** submitting your application. Such projects are often deceptively complex or unfeasible. For many projects, SDOT may be able to help you increase the competitiveness of your application.

**For traffic calming projects, you MUST participate in SDOT's traffic calming program before** applying for your project to ensure that the project is beneficial, feasible and that there is sufficient community support. Information about the program is available on line at: [www.seattle.gov/transportation/neighborhoodtraffic.htm](http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/neighborhoodtraffic.htm).

**How to Apply**

E-mail application to: [NeighborhoodParkandStreetFund@seattle.gov](mailto:NeighborhoodParkandStreetFund@seattle.gov)  
Save document to a PDF file if applying by e-mail.

Fax to: 206-233-5142  
Mail to: Seattle Department of Neighborhoods/NPSF  
Attn: Wendy Watson  
PO Box 94649, 700 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 1700  
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**Questions?**

- If you have questions about the application process, or about the feasibility of your proposal, contact your Neighborhood District Coordinator. A list of coordinators is available at <http://www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/districts/>. You may also contact Wendy Watson at [wendy.watson@seattle.gov](mailto:wendy.watson@seattle.gov) or 206-684-0719
- For Parks projects, contact Pamela Kliment at [Pamela.Kliment@seattle.gov](mailto:Pamela.Kliment@seattle.gov)
- For Transportation projects, contact John Vander Sluis at [John.VanderSluis@seattle.gov](mailto:John.VanderSluis@seattle.gov)