

# The Bend Community Park (official name TBD): A New Green Space for Georgetown

Watershed is creating a new park for the residents of The Bend as part of the District Plan. Thanks to funding from King County Conservation Futures, Watershed Community Development (Watershed) has purchased a 28,000-square-foot site (about half a city block) off South Lucile Street, just west of 6th Avenue South—around the corner from the planned location of the Early Childhood Learning Center.

We're committed to designing this park in collaboration with community members and local organizations. We'll soon start to raise the funds needed to bring it to life. The park is expected to open in 2028, shortly after residents begin moving into The Elements, our first building to be constructed

The Bend Commitment #94: Establish a minimum half-acre greenspace near the district, including at least 3,000 square feet for garden space

## Vision

This park will be a place for residents, workers, and neighbors from Georgetown to relax, play, connect, and recharge. It will offer a mix of quiet and active spaces and connect to the Georgetown Playfield and nearby Georgetown commercial and residential communities via safe, bike- and pedestrian-friendly routes. Currently, the nearest park is the Georgetown Playfield, several blocks away and focused on athletic activities. Our park will provide a convenient and informal greenspace for the immediate community.







### What We Value

Everyone deserves access to green space. Public green and recreational spaces are essential elements of a community and are crucial for dwellers in multi-family developments. Our design will be shaped by the community's input and built with best practices in park planning, including Design Justice and Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design principles. The result will be a park that's safe, clean, accessible, and welcoming to all.

## Park Features (proposed and possible):

- Green space for picnics and nature appreciation
- Play area for kids
- Community garden connected to our food hub
- Potential additions based on community input:
  - o Dog run
  - Water feature or spray park
  - Historical or cultural markers
  - Outdoor exercise circuit

A network of safe and convenient bicycle and pedestrian connections will follow the lead of Duwamish Safe Streets. Watershed is also exploring the possibility of expanding the park into the adjacent half-block to the west. The southern portion could link to Findlay Festival Street, and the northern section—if acquired—might house a future community center.

## Watershed Promises

- Half-acre park for residents
- Green space designed with open community participation
- An array of park components featuring greenspace, a children's play area, and a garden
- Safe and efficient connecting network of streets, sidewalks, and trails to be developed along with the park

## How You Can Be Involved

- Volunteer in the planning process your voice matters!
- Contribute to funding the park any way you can!
- Share your ideas for what this space could be we're listening!

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