



# Parkview Gardens Neighborhood Sustainable Development Plan

## Guide for Local Government and Agencies

This guide offers suggestions on how to learn about and understand the Parkview Gardens Neighborhood Sustainable Development Plan (PGNSDP). Most of the relevant information about the Plan and the planning process may be found on the project website [www.parkviewgardensvision.org](http://www.parkviewgardensvision.org). For starters, mouse over or click on **PLANS & DRAWINGS** and then click on **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**. Carefully read the summary, paying close attention to “Issues & Challenges” and “Assets & Opportunities.”

Parkview Gardens neighborhood is the result of hundreds of development decisions made over the past century. It is currently located at the center of a historically rich but changing urban environment. How shall we handle inevitable change? The Plan suggests that we use the triple-bottom-line approach to sustainability as a guide in planning the future of Parkview Gardens. This approach is based on the concept of the *3 Es: Environment, Equity, and Economics*. The key to triple-bottom-line relationships lies in the multi-faceted interrelationship of projects and initiatives, and not in discreet projects and initiatives alone. Sustainable-design experts state: *“Nurturing this web of relationships and flows affords communities the means to enhance their local wealth (environmental, economic, and cultural), resilience, and competitiveness, and to take control of designing and managing their future.”*

The Plan specifically calls for periodic presentations to the broad range of stakeholders, using the Plan website, media news releases, presentations to stakeholder groups and professional organizations such as the American Planning Association, the St. Louis County Municipal League, etc. It also suggests partnering with existing organizations such as Great Rivers Greenway and Trailnet to create and maintain public improvements. Governmental and agency stakeholders may be interested in sections of the Neighborhood Plan such as:

- Part 1: Neighborhood Sustainable Development Plan
- Part 2: Mobility & Transit Infrastructure
- Part 5: Urban Design Framework
- Part 14: Sustainability Action Plan