The Platte County Parks and Recreation Department was instrumental in the development of a 3.5 miles segment of the Missouri Riverfront Trail. Extensive surveying was done by the County to document communities’ support for parks and trails. An ETC survey showed that 73% of households had visited at least one county park, trail, or recreational facility in the past year.

With strong citizen support, a majority of the one million dollar project was funded by a county approved half cent sales tax.

A Multi-Jurisdictional Success

A partnership between Platte County, the city of Parkville, and the city of Riverside led to the creation of this three and a half mile award winning success. Clear goals were laid out and responsibility and risks were shared between city and county officials.

A formal agreement was reached with the local levee board to allow the trail to run atop the levee. Negotiations had to be reached on construction materials and maintenance. This trail received a National Association of Counties (NACo) award in 2009 as an innovative County program.

For more information, including the complete Park System Master Plan report, visit: www.platteparks.com

“Our neighborhoods are only as strong as our parks.”
– County Resident

The Missouri Riverfront Trail runs atop the levee