

Green Space Network

The Mt. Baker neighborhood is surrounded with plenty of green areas consisting of several neighborhood parks, the MLK Jr. Memorial Park, as well as the Cheasty Boulevard and the Mt. Baker Boulevard, both of which are part of the historic Olmsted Parks. Yet these green areas are mostly scattered on the edge of the town center, causing an accessibility gap in between the greeneries and the urban village for pedestrians and bicyclists. By introducing a green space network, it reveals the existing parks and natural environment in the urban fabric. The network identifies places among the neighborhood to connect the greeneries to the community, increasing accessibility and programs. The connections involve people all across the neighborhood, enhancing the natural and built environment and generating social capital and resilience.



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Accessible Mt. Baker Project



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Integrating existing park space with landscape features, programs, amenities and emergency utilities

Open-air parking lots modify into green spaces

Widen sidewalks with green canopies to enhance walkability and streetscapes

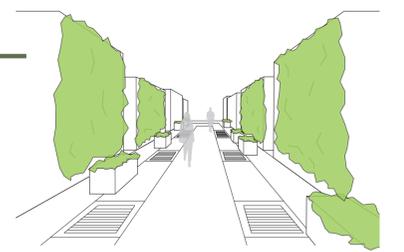


Connection between Cheasty Blvd, Franklin High School and Mt. Baker Blvd for better pedestrians and bicyclists access as proposed in Accessible Mt. Baker Project

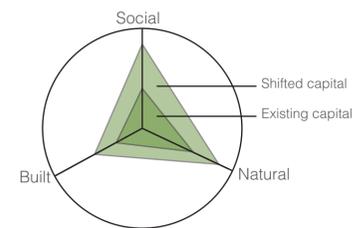
Diversified habitats and community garden for educational, natural and social engagement

Improvement on jogging trails on Cheasty Blvd and expanding soft trails to the urban village

Distributing small-scale parks and green spaces in the neighborhood



Back alleys integrate with stormwater management system and green growth



By utilizing the existing natural resources in the neighborhood and integrating new facets of the community, the green space network creates a social connection and a revived natural and built environment. The network also serves as the hub of community resilience whenever natural disasters hit the area.