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Lindsay Street Park & Vine City Park

Since 2003, The Conservation Fund has worked with the City of Atlanta to increase park access citywide, creating and expanding 22 parks. In the English Avenue and Vine City communities, we saw an opportunity to do even more.

In 2010, Park Pride worked with residents to create a broad plan for the neighborhoods using natural greenspaces as a way to reduce stormwater flooding that greatly impacts these communities.

The Conservation Fund and Park Pride, together with more than 35 partners, are working to implement this comprehensive plan. Lindsay Street Park and Vine City Park are the first of many projects that will create lasting change in these neighborhoods, one park at a time.

Through a community-driven process focused on the environment, the local economy, and most importantly, the people, these two new Parks With Purpose are providing numerous benefits.

- We've transformed vacant and blighted lots into new greenspace for the English Avenue and Vine City communities, providing a safe place for kids to play and for community members to gather.
- Stormwater runoff from the adjacent streets is being collected in a series of green infrastructure features that absorb and clean the water, while reducing overflows into the combined sewer system.
- Through a partnership with Greening Youth Foundation's Atlanta Youth Corps, we have trained and employed young adults from the community during the construction of the parks, expanding their skill sets and increasing their employment opportunities.







Partners

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