

# CHADDICK | MUNICIPAL INSTITUTE | DEVELOPMENT 2015 | AWARDS

## VILLA PARK



*Thank you Trails of Illinois  
and our Awards Panel for  
their support!*



*For more than a decade, the Chaddick Institute for Metropolitan Development has hosted the Municipal Development Award competition recognizing innovation in managing the development process. Past winners deserve wide recognition for their excellence in using zoning, development approvals, subdivision regulation, and design review to build stronger and more livable communities.*

*This year, the Institute worked in conjunction with Trails for Illinois to recognize municipalities that are creatively planning, designing, and utilizing trailways that run through their downtowns. Our expert panel considered connectivity, multi-jurisdictional involvement, and areas where the trail has enhanced recreational and mobility options. Well planned and effectively “branded” trails can bring enormous economic, community, and cultural benefits.*

## LANSING FRANKFORT

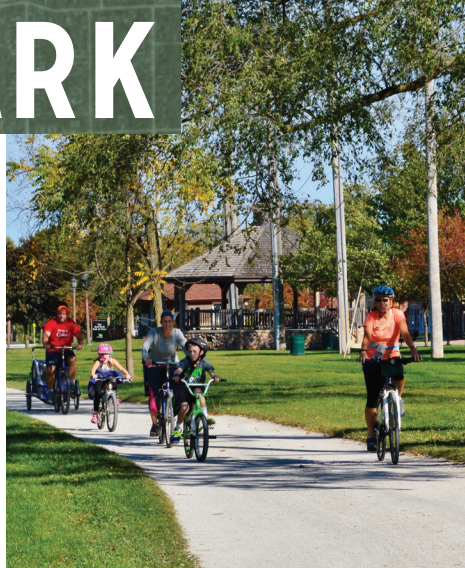


# THE 2015 MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT AWARD FOR TRAIL PROGRAMMING + IMPLEMENTATION

*winner*

## VILLA PARK

The Village of Villa Park, for their enhancements to and programming of the Illinois Prairie Path. The Village has played an exemplary role in programming the trail for events throughout the year, engaging local community groups (including businesses) and spurring the revitalization of public spaces and buildings surrounding this public amenity.



*runner up*

## FRANKFORT

The Village of Frankfort, for their creative redesign of surrounding commercial buildings, which abut the Old Plank Road Trail. The Village showed inspirational initiative to creatively enhance these buildings and leverage the trail, an innovative development strategy for a historic downtown known for its 1890's charm.



# THE 2015 MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT AWARD FOR TRAIL VISIONING + LEADERSHIP

*winner*

## LANSING

The Lan-Oak Park District and The Village of Lansing, for their leadership, fundraising, and planning efforts for the Pennsy Greenway, a popular amenity on a former route of the Pennsylvania Railroad. The District and Village's efforts have spurred an expansive trail system that will be an important branding and development driver for the Business District of this southern suburb.

