

# Waterfront Activation Fund

*Mayor Bibb's ARPA Initiatives to Transform our Waterfront*

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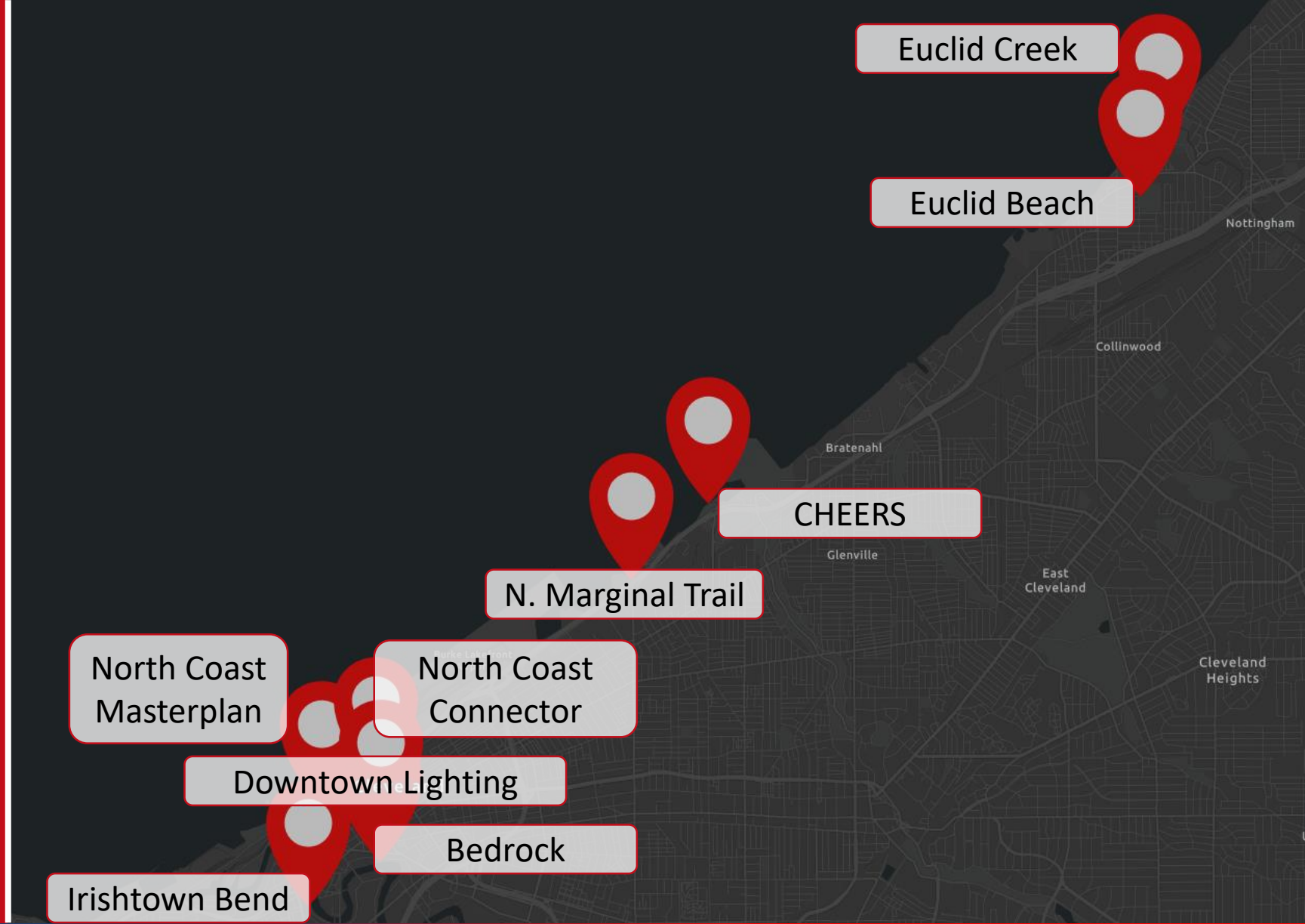
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# Waterfront Activation

*is taking place along  
the river and  
lakefronts from  
Collinwood to  
Downtown.*



**“The Lakefront *belongs to all of us* and therefore must be a place for all of us.”**

**-Mayor Justin Bibb**

## **Waterfront Values**

**Equity**

**Economic Opportunity  
through Redevelopment**

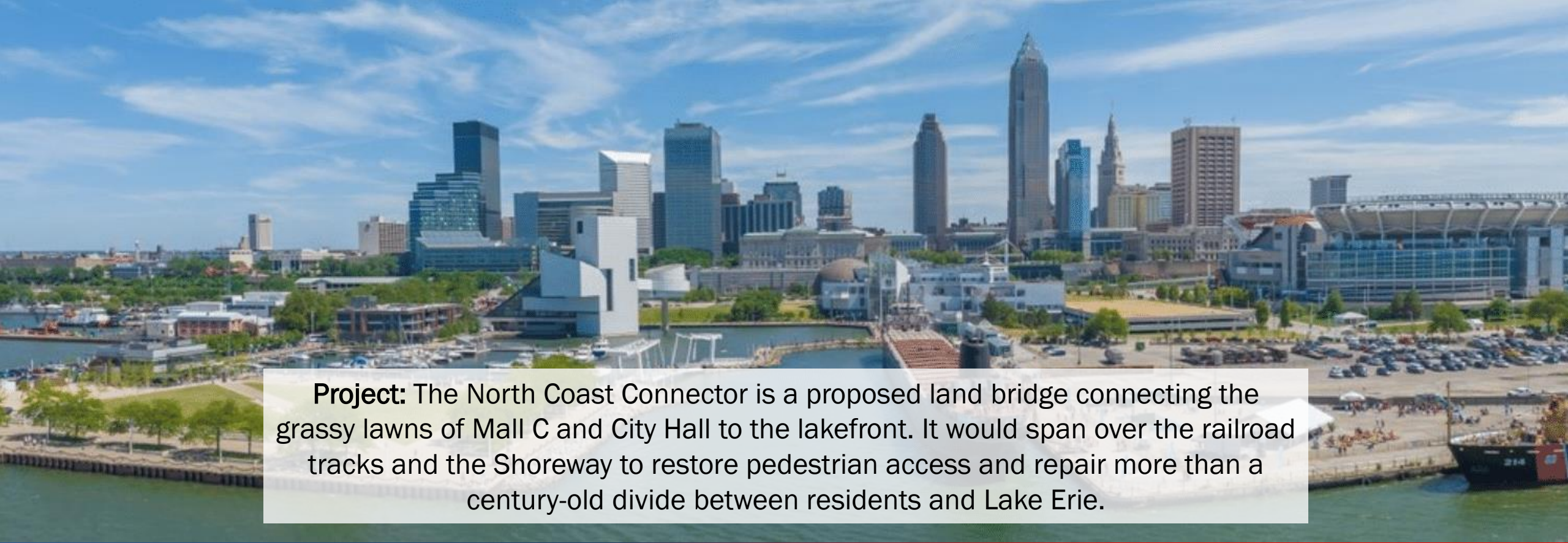
**Sustainability**



# North Coast Connector

## Ord. No. 527-2023

ARPA funding: **\$3M**  
Leverage/Total Cost: **\$50M**  
Timeline: 2023-Feasibility Study;  
2024-Detailed Design and Engineering  
Key Partners: Greater Cleveland  
Partnership, Field Operations

An aerial photograph of the Cleveland skyline, showing various skyscrapers and buildings. In the foreground, there is a waterfront area with a marina, a large parking lot, and a body of water. The sky is blue with some light clouds.

**Project:** The North Coast Connector is a proposed land bridge connecting the grassy lawns of Mall C and City Hall to the lakefront. It would span over the railroad tracks and the Shoreway to restore pedestrian access and repair more than a century-old divide between residents and Lake Erie.



# Euclid Creek Greenway

Ord. No. 529-2023

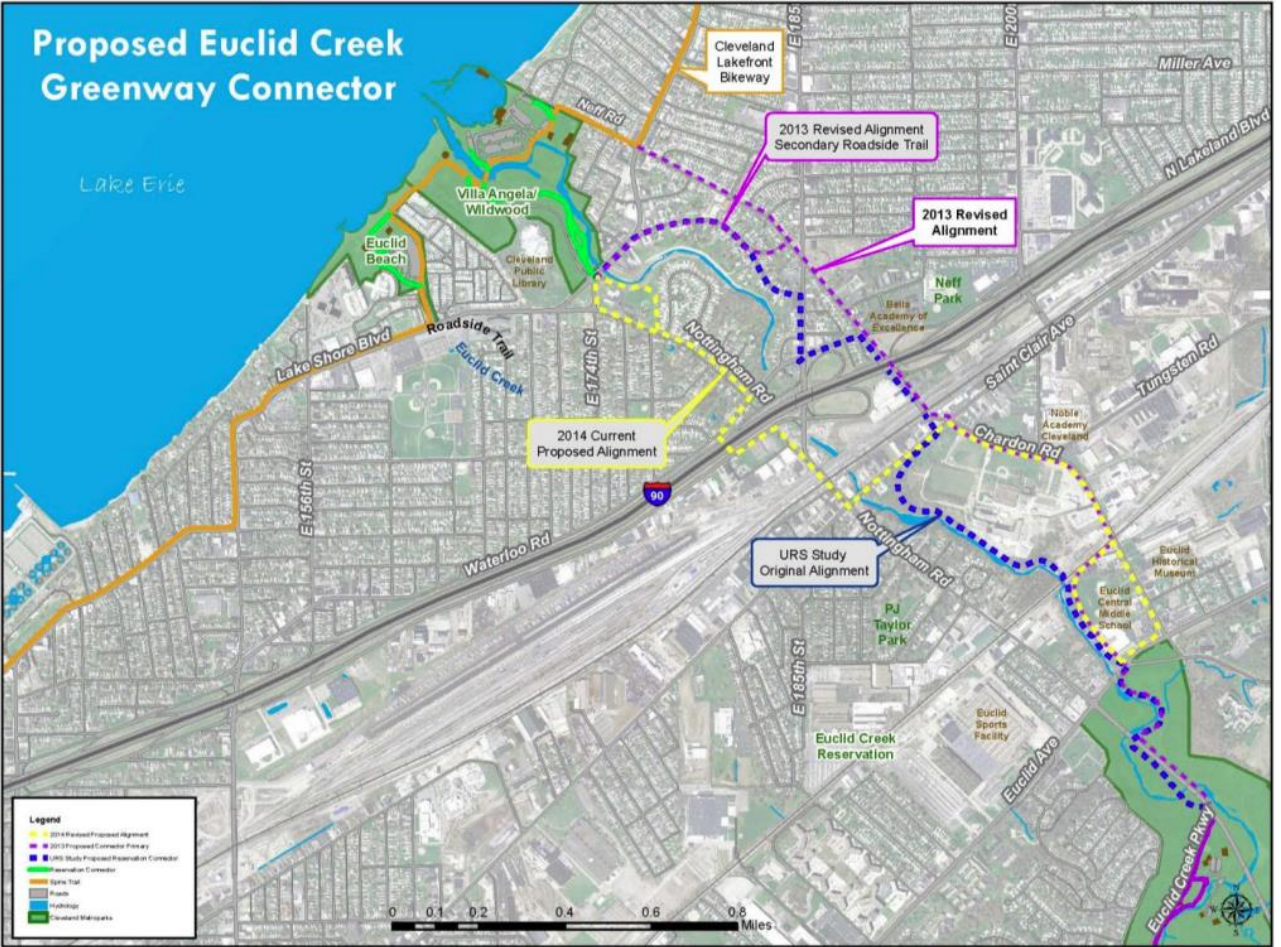
ARPA funding: \$500,000

Leverage/Total Cost: \$800,000

Timeline: 2023 – preliminary design;

2024 – detailed design and engineering

Key Partners: Cuyahoga County, Metroparks



## Project:

The Euclid Creek Greenway is a multi-phased trail project to improve connections to the lakefront on the east side of Cleveland. The project will close a critical transportation gap in the region and connect the lower portion of Euclid Creek Reservation to its northern portion along the lakefront that includes Euclid Beach, Villa Angela and Wildwood parks in the city of Cleveland. The Euclid Creek Greenway Phase 2 North will be an approx. 2.0 mile trail to provide residents a low stress route to the parks on Lake Erie.



# Irishtown Bend Park Ord. No. 530-2023

ARPA funding: **\$5M**

Leverage/total cost: **\$95M**

Timeline: 2023-Bulkhead  
construction; 2023-24-  
Utility work; 2025-2026-  
Park Construction

Key Partners: Port  
Authority, LAND Studio,  
Metroparks, Ohio City, Inc.



## Project:

\$5 million will support bulkhead and hillside stabilization and development of Irishtown Bend Park. Project partners will pursue federal support for these projects. City contribution will support local match requirements.



# CHEERS

## Fishing Pier

### Ord. No. 531-2023

ARPA funding: **\$1.5M**

Leverage/total cost: **\$14.5M**

Timeline: 2024 for design; permits secured in 2025; and construction in 2026

Key Partners: Port Authority, CHEERS!

### Project:

The Cleveland Harbor Eastern Embayment Resilience Strategy (CHEERS) project is a concept that emerged from a yearlong study to determine how to transform Cleveland's lakeshore through reconnecting communities to the lake, improving public health, bolstering the economy, and benefiting the environment and natural habitat. The Early Implementation Phase of the CHEERS project will replace failing breakwall to maintain protected marina infrastructure, alter breakwall to facilitate paddle access, and expand nearshore habitat and provide additional 4-6 acres of parkland with enhanced fishing areas for residents.



*Image is a conceptual rendering, not a final design*

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## Summary

	ARPA Funding	Leverage
	<i>(in millions)</i>	
CHEERS Fishing Pier	\$1.5	\$14.5
Euclid Creek Greenway	\$0.5	\$0.8
North Coast Connector	\$3	\$50
Irishtown Bend Park	\$5	\$95
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>\$160.3</b>



# Questions?



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