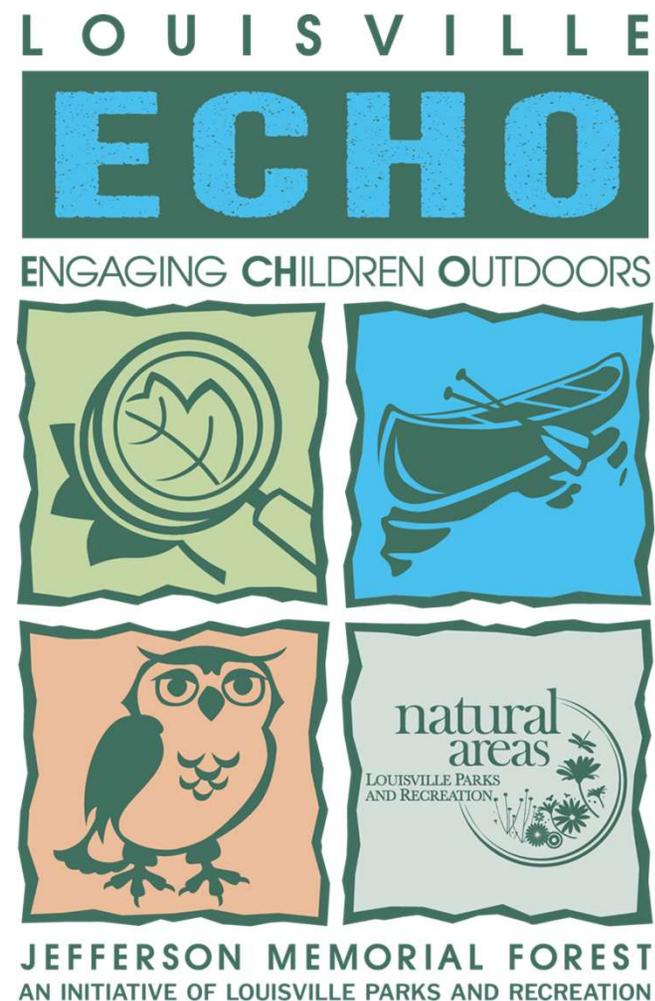


Louisville: A City Connecting Children to Nature



Approach: Louisville ECHO Program

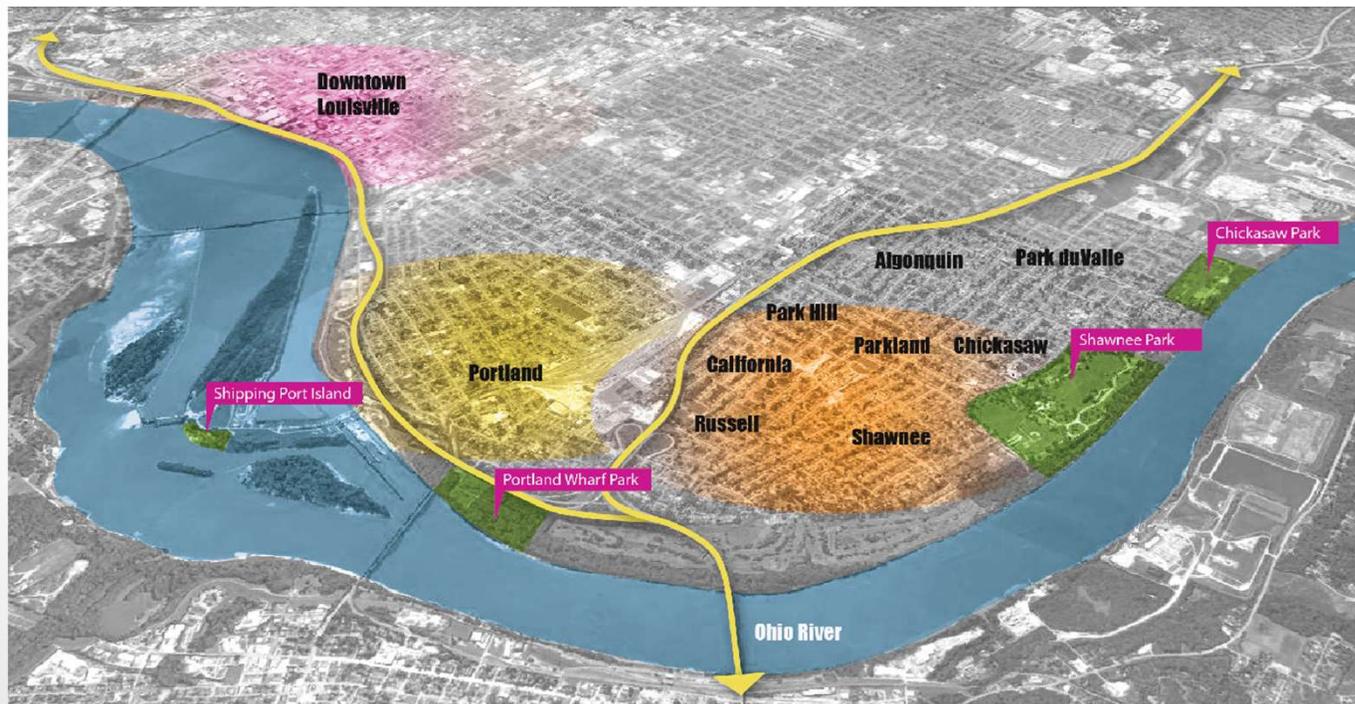
Components

- Nature Play/ECHO Mobile (3-11 years)
- In-School Field Trips (8-11 years)
- Out-of-School Outdoor Recreation(8-14 years)
- Teen Adventure Camps (12-18 years)
- Youth Employment (16-21 years)
- Family & Community Public Events (all ages)

**Creating CRADLE TO CAREER
connections to nature is our goal!**

West Louisville Outdoor Recreation Initiative

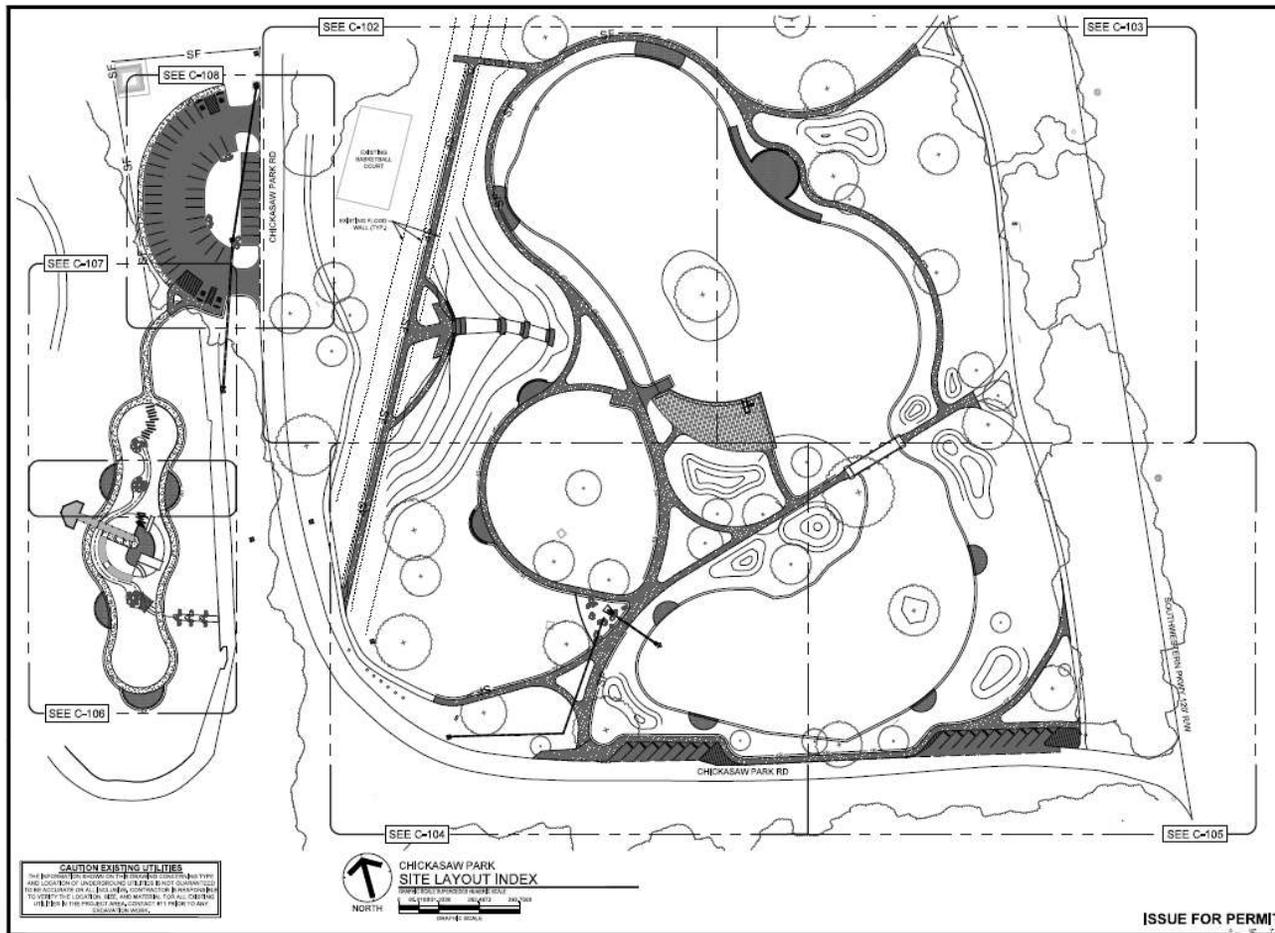
Louisville ECHO is the programmatic component of the West Louisville Outdoor Recreation Initiative (2016 Master Plan)



Shovel Ready: Shawnee Outdoor Learning Center



Shovel Ready: Chickasaw Park



Complete/Planned: Shawnee Park



HIKING TRAIL – 2021/2022



BIKE PUMP TRACK – 2018



BOAT/CANOE RAMP – 2021

















Goal: Green-facing Job Pathways

16% ceiling....

Staff Diversity in Environmental Organizations



Source: The State of Diversity in Environmental Organizations, 2014 (Green

Career Paths Through Nature



Hands-On Learning through Nature



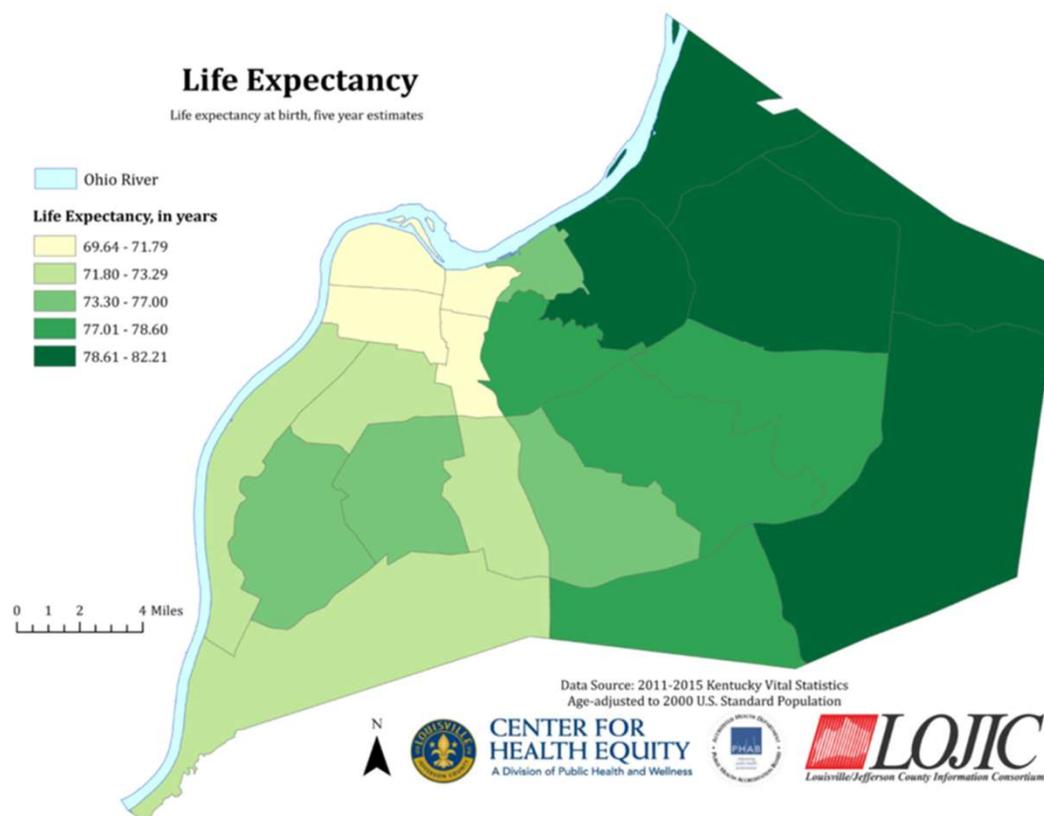
The Next Generation of Stewards



Goal: Improve Community Health

Louisville ECHO helps address many social determinants of health:

- Education
- Early Childhood Development
- Environmental Quality
- Build Environment
- Employment and Income and even
- Neighborhood Development



Youth Creative in Nature



Youth Active in Nature



Families Together in Nature



Thank you and Questions



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