

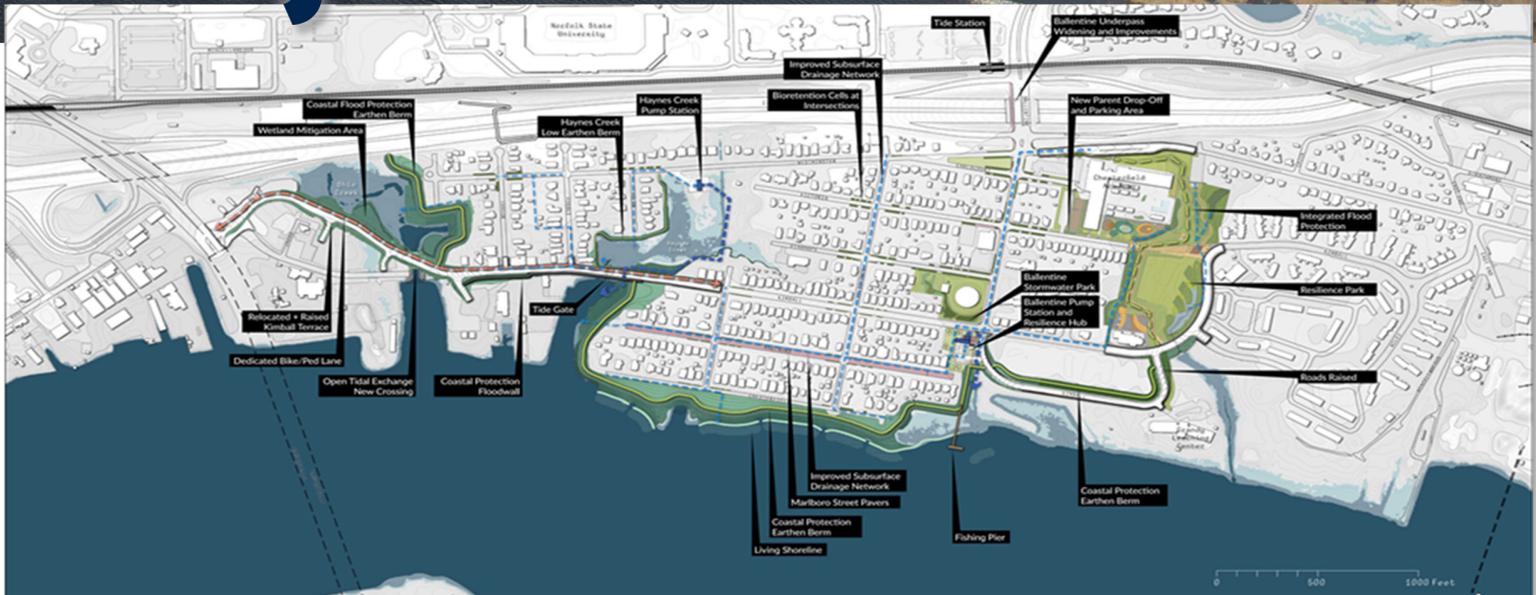
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Neighborhood Project Update

The Ohio Creek Watershed Project is moving along! You will see construction on the new soccer field and basketball court in the Resilience Park. Improvements to the Ballentine underpass start this summer. The pedestrian walkway will be widened, and a new light feature added. Also, there will be new landscaping added throughout the community.



The City is planning for upcoming spring/summer Ohio Creek Project community events and is looking for residents to participate in the planning process. Interested in participating? Contact ZaMari Love, Neighborhood Development Specialist, at ZaMari.Love@norfolk.gov or 757-390-7448.



As crews continue to work diligently on the project, there are additional road closures that will happen over the next several months. In early June, the upper part of Norchester Avenue will be closed to through traffic and workers will direct vehicles through intersections. The graphic to the left has details on the road closures. The entire project will be complete by December 2022.

Safety First

As construction continues, remember to stay clear of construction sites. Avoid all construction equipment, especially barriers. Follow posted construction signage and traffic detours. If you see children straying into construction zones or any unsafe situation, please let a construction crewmember know or call the Project Manager at 757-664-6510 or the Construction Hotline (Monday – Friday after normal work hours) 757-664-7220.



Berm Construction Updates

After a year of construction, the berm continues to take shape and will provide you with critical flood protection.

Interested in receiving biweekly City updates?

Email ZaMari Love, Neighborhood Development Specialist at zamari.love@norfolk.gov to sign up. You can also check out the Neighborhood Development website (www.norfolk.gov/neighborhoods) for event updates, upcoming Neighbors Building Neighborhood courses, and neighborhood resources.

Upcoming Civic League Meeting

The Chesterfield Heights Civic League Meeting will be held on Monday, May 24 from 6-7pm. This meeting will take place virtually and be held via WebEx. Please find the access information below:

JOIN THE MEETING

<http://bit.ly/524CHMEETING>

JOIN BY VIDEO STREAM

Dial 1607219901@convoice.webex.com
You can also dial 173.243.2.68 and enter your meeting number

JOIN BY PHONE

+1-415-655-0002 US Toll
Access code: 160 721 9901

How to Join the Meetings

To join the virtual meetings, please download WebEx in advance at: <https://www.webex.com/downloads.html>. This is a free application and can be downloaded to a device (laptop, tablet, mobile phone) that has a microphone and camera. If unable to download, participants can join the meetings via phone at the phone numbers and access codes provided above. For technical assistance and guidance, please contact ZaMari Love, Neighborhood Development Specialist at 757-390-7448 or ZaMari.Love@norfolk.gov.

Retain Your Rain Tree Giveaway Highlights

Thank you to the Chesterfield Heights residents who participated in the Tree Giveaway throughout February 2021! The Sweetbay

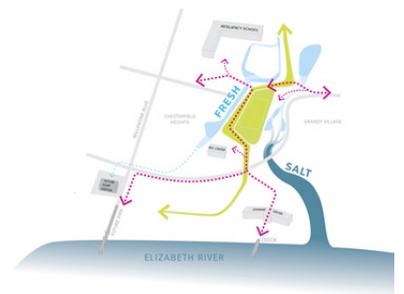
Magnolias were a favorite among residents and look great in their new homes! A major contribution to flood mitigation in the neighborhood is what happens at the residential level. The Office of Resilience is working with community partners to provide information and resources to help residents capture and use the rain that hits their property. This keeps some of the water from going directly into the storm drains which alleviates some of the flooding, while also providing other benefits to homeowners. The tree giveaway was the first step in this effort and was a great opportunity for the Office of Resilience to meet more of the neighbors. If you have not been able to do so already, please feel free to share your thoughts with us by emailing NorfolkRC@norfolk.gov or calling (757) 441-2602 and stay tuned for future opportunities to Retain Your Rain!



Meet SCAPE: The Team Behind the New Resilience Park

SCAPE

SCAPE is a design-driven landscape architecture and urban design studio based in New York and New Orleans. SCAPE believes design can enable positive change in communities through the creation of regenerative living infrastructure and public landscapes. Their work integrates natural cycles and systems into environments across all scales, from the urban pocket-park to the regional ecological plan. Since 2017, SCAPE has collaborated with a large, interdisciplinary team on as part of the City's overall effort to equitably adapt to flood risk and now their role as lead landscape architect for the new Resilience Park.



Once completed, the park will host:

- A variety of walking and running paths;
- A multi-purpose field;
- A community plaza;
- A new neighborhood playground;
- A series of new ball courts and fitness equipment at the recreation center;
- A series of seating and picnic / passive recreation areas;
- Restored ecosystems throughout the site – including shade trees offering a cool spot in the warm months; native plants; and a restored tidal wetland area.

The overall design for the park, including the amenities listed above, were developed through a series of workshops and conversations with many stakeholders – including Chesterfield Heights and Grandy Village residents, students at area schools, community and environmental organizations, the City of Norfolk Parks Department, and many others. As construction on the park continues, check out www.ohiocreek.today and follow SCAPE (@scape_studio) for updates and benchmarks.

Receive Up to Date Project Information Via Email

To receive up to date information regarding the Ohio Creek Watershed Project, please join our email list. To be added to the email list, please email ohiocreek@norfolk.gov

Have questions?
Connect with us!

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