



**Downtown | River Promenade**

## Key Statistics

### 620K pathway users/year

Average volume of pedestrians and cyclists (2016-21 data from 10 Street S.W. pathway counter)

### 2022-2023

Commence master plan, engagement and transportation planning

### 2023-25

Detailed design, enabling works and get ready for construction procurement

### \$3.2M

Current budget request to advance to shovel-ready in 2025/26

## Downtown West River Promenade

Reconnecting Downtown West with the river and the core.

### Project Vision

This investment will address a lack of quality green space for community residents, re-prioritize the river edge for people rather than vehicles, and celebrate one of Calgary's greatest assets — the Bow River — by connecting adjacent cultural, recreational and commercial amenities along the river's edge. When completed alongside improvements in Eau Claire and The River's District — the Bow and Elbow River promenades will serve as a world class amenity in the heart of a vibrant greater downtown.

### Project Approach

This project will be guided by citizen and stakeholder engagement to generate a comprehensive master plan. This work will include comprehensive analysis to realign redundant roadways adjacent to the river, improve mixed-use development potential adjacent to the river, and create more green space along the river for Calgarians to enjoy.

### Implementation Strategy

After internal strategize and plan work is completed in 2021, master plan work would commence in 2022 through an external consultant team focusing on improving the river edge condition, public realm enhancements and roadway realignments. This work would carry forward into detailed design and be "shovel-ready" in 2025/26.

### Key Considerations

- Realign 4 Avenue and portions of Bow Trail with 6 Avenue to create room for active modes and green space
- Pilot the realignment by re-purposing portions of Bow Trail as a multi-use wheeling path
- Improve river access through riverbank enhancements and bioengineering
- Extend the Eau Claire promenade all the way to 14 Street S.W.
- Unlock development potential through parcel consolidation and market repositioning of City-owned lands
- Anchor 11 Street S.W. and Contemporary Calgary with a world-class recreational pathway system

