



- Indian Land Green is a non-profit organization with an all-volunteer Board of Directors
- Our mission is to improve the overall quality of life for the communities in Indian Land and the surrounding areas in Lancaster County by promoting conservation, health and wellness, outdoor recreation, greenway trails and to beautify our roadside and parks through clean-up events.
- Indian Land Green understands that greenway trails connect communities, and we believe that communities that thrive understand the value that will be created by investing in greenways.
- Indian Land Green sees importance of developing multi-use trails because they can become a community's backyard and offer a multitude of benefits:
 - **Connectivity** – trails link neighborhoods to community and to natural and cultural resources
 - **Health & Wellness** – improve community health and wellness for all “user groups”
 - **Air and Water Quality** – enhance the air and water quality in Indian Land
 - **Enjoyment** – residents can get away from the hectic pace of everyday life and enjoy the outdoors
 - **Preservation** – preserve nature and “open green spaces”
 - **Wildlife refuge** – protect and create a refuge for wildlife and native plants
- **Indian Land Green Long-Range Vision:**
 - Develop an accessible greenway trail network to expand recreational space for residents and visitors.
 - Prioritize the development of a trail network that can be implemented and maintained.
 - The trail network should provide easy access points for the residents from their neighborhoods and allow better connectivity within our communities.
 - The safety needs of all users and abilities will be addressed in the development of the trail network.
 - Foster engagement and collaborate with community groups, landowners, HOA's and residents in promoting the development of potential greenway and blueway trail networks.
 - IL Green will work to develop relationships with partner organizations, developers, and with officials at local, county and state government to promote the importance of connecting people to nature and communities via safe accessible greenway trails.
- **Indian Land Green planning project to date:**
 - We have conducted a physical assessment and prepared maps of the natural resources and land topography along a 11.7 mile potential trail corridor running along Six Mile Creek in the upper panhandle of Lancaster County.
 - We have developed partnerships and collaborate with the Carolina Thread Trail, Catawba Riverkeeper and Katawba Valley Land Trust to enable better progress towards our long-range vision.
 - Additional assessments have included identifying potential trailhead space for parking and access routes.
 - Development of funding sources on-going.