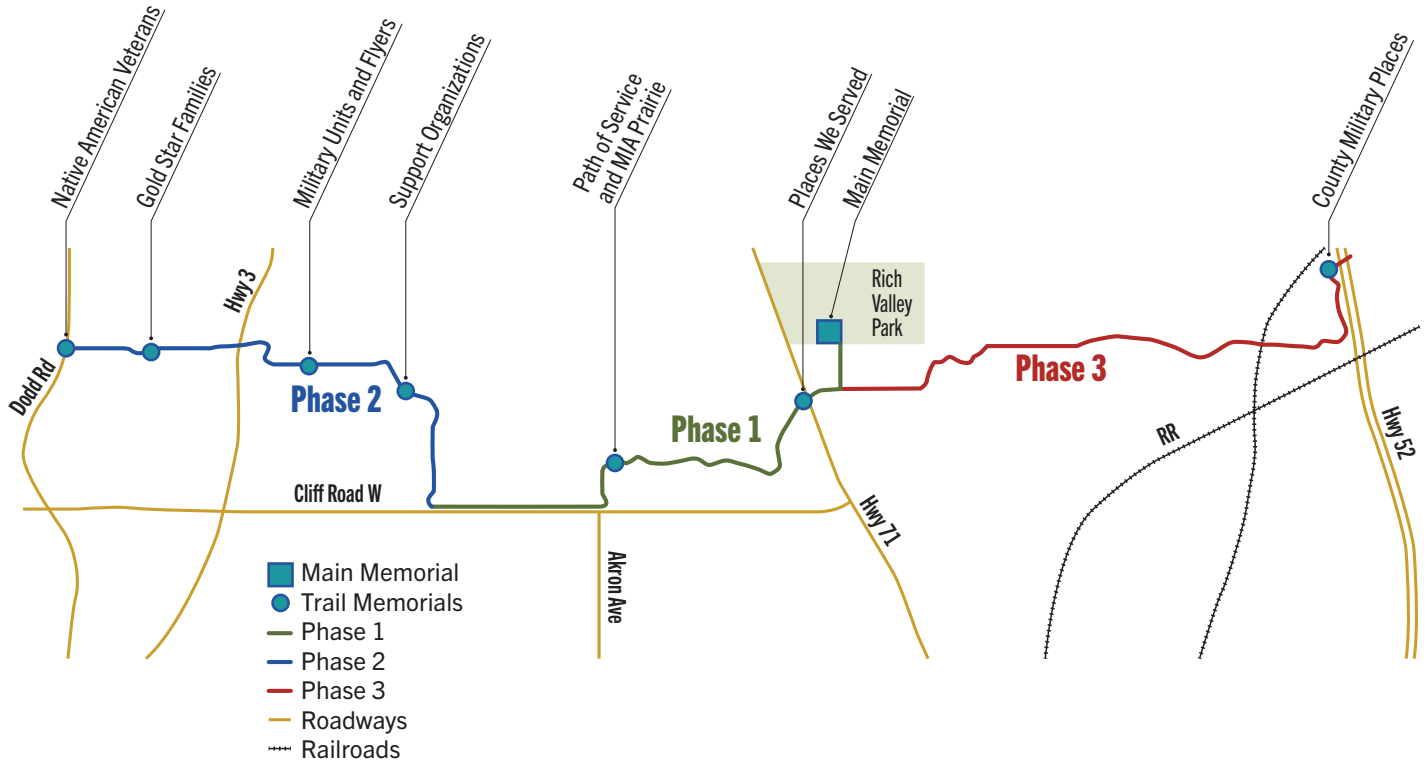


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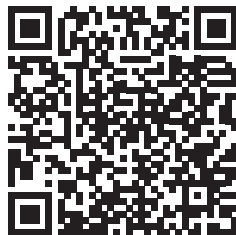


The Veterans Memorial Greenway (formerly Rich Valley Greenway) is a new regional trail linking Lebanon Hills Regional Park and the Mississippi River in central Dakota County. Construction of the first phase began in the spring of 2024. The 5-mile corridor is within the cities of Eagan and Inver Grove Heights. Along the trail, eight interpretive stops honor and recognize the sacrifice made by Veterans and their families. The stops also provide a place for healing (memorial). The memorial stops share stories directly through Veterans' words and voices to inform and inspire visitors.

Find out more: www.co.dakota.mn.us/Transportation/PlannedConstruction/VeteransGreenway

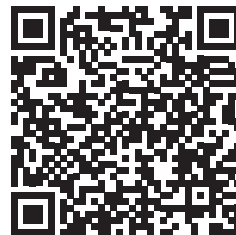
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Veterans



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Gold Star Families



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Vet Support Organizations



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Memorial Node 1: Native American Veterans

Native American Veterans share their stories about military experiences. Dakota County recognizes Dakota Homeland and its location at the heart of Dakota people's cultural heritage.

Memorial Node 2: Gold Star Families

Gold Star Families have lost a family member in service and this stop provides a place for them to share their stories. It also provides space for reflection and gathering.

Memorial Node 3: Military Units and Flyers

Minnesota military units have included Dakota County residents and the county has aviation-related military history. More than 25,000 Veterans have resided in Dakota County.

Memorial Node 4: Veteran Support Organizations

Learn about Veterans' support organizations.

Memorial Node 5: Path of Service and MIA Prairie

Listen to Veterans stories about life before, during, and after service. The memorial plaza provides space to honor those missing in action.

Memorial Node 6: Places We Served

Find out where Dakota County Veterans have served around the world and learn about experiences of service in distant places.

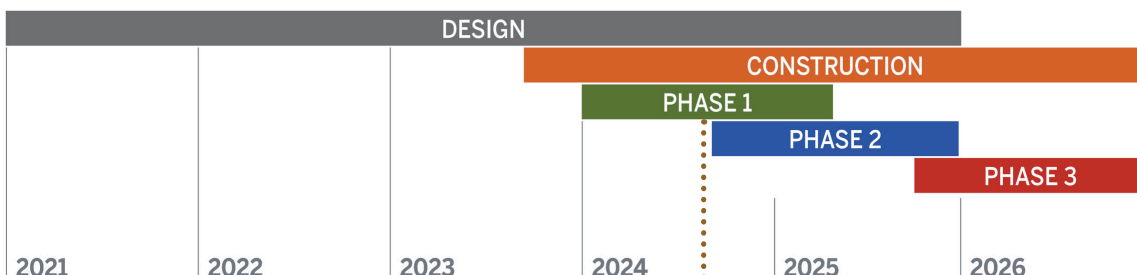
Memorial Node 7: In the Service

Outdoor plazas and exhibits honor Veterans and express gratitude for their service and sacrifice.

Memorial Node 8: County Military Places

Learn about Dakota County's military places and the Veterans Memorial Greenway overall purpose of recognizing and honoring Dakota County Veterans, expressing gratitude for their service, and sharing their life-changing experiences.

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