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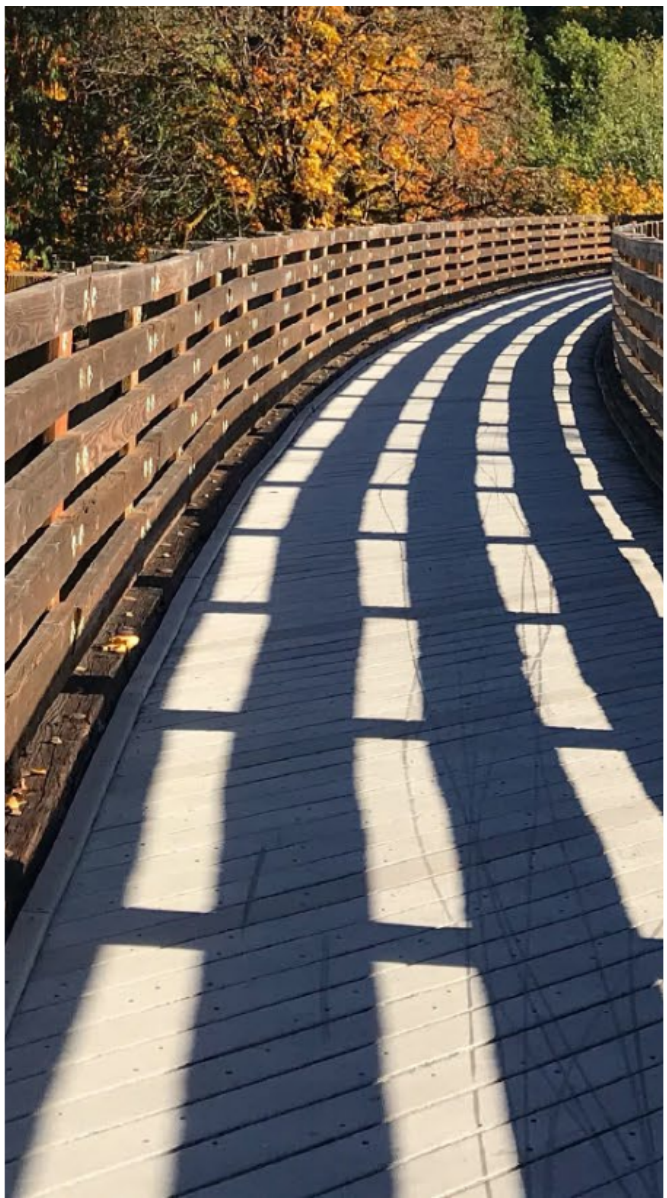

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The Dequindre Cut Greenway is a paved path nearly 2 miles long in downtown Detroit. The trail has separate lanes for bicyclists and pedestrians. Entrance ramps for the trail can be found at Lafayette Street, Gratiot Avenue, and Woodbridge Street.

About the Route

At the northern end of the Dequindre Cut is Eastern Market, a commercial district centered around a popular six-block farmers market (open on Saturdays) that has been in operation since 1891.

At the trail's southern end lies the Detroit River, a key part of the Great Lakes system and an international border; across the water is the City of Windsor in Ontario, Canada.

Connections

At the trail's southern end, it connects to the Detroit RiverWalk.

Trail History

The Dequindre Cut Greenway is called the "Cut" because of the wide trench that was sunk 25 feet below street level in the 1920s by the Grand Trunk Railroad to avoid foot and vehicle traffic, which continued overhead unimpeded on more than a dozen bridges. In the early-to-mid 1980s, when passenger and freight service was discontinued on the line, the corridor sat vacant and its bridge abutments became covered with graffiti. When the corridor opened as a trail in 2009, the colorful urban art was left and the graffiti murals are now one of its most-loved features.

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States: Michigan
Counties: Wayne
Length: 1.8miles
Trail end points: Mack Avenue and Dequindre Street (Detroit) to Atwater Street (Detroit)
Trail surfaces: Asphalt
Trail category: Rail-Trail
Trail activities: Bike,Inline Skating,Wheelchair Accessible,Walking

Parking & Trail Access

The Dequindre Cut Greenway runs between Mack Avenue and Dequindre Street (Detroit) and Atwater Street (Detroit).

Parking is available along Gatroit Ave, where it intersects with the trail.

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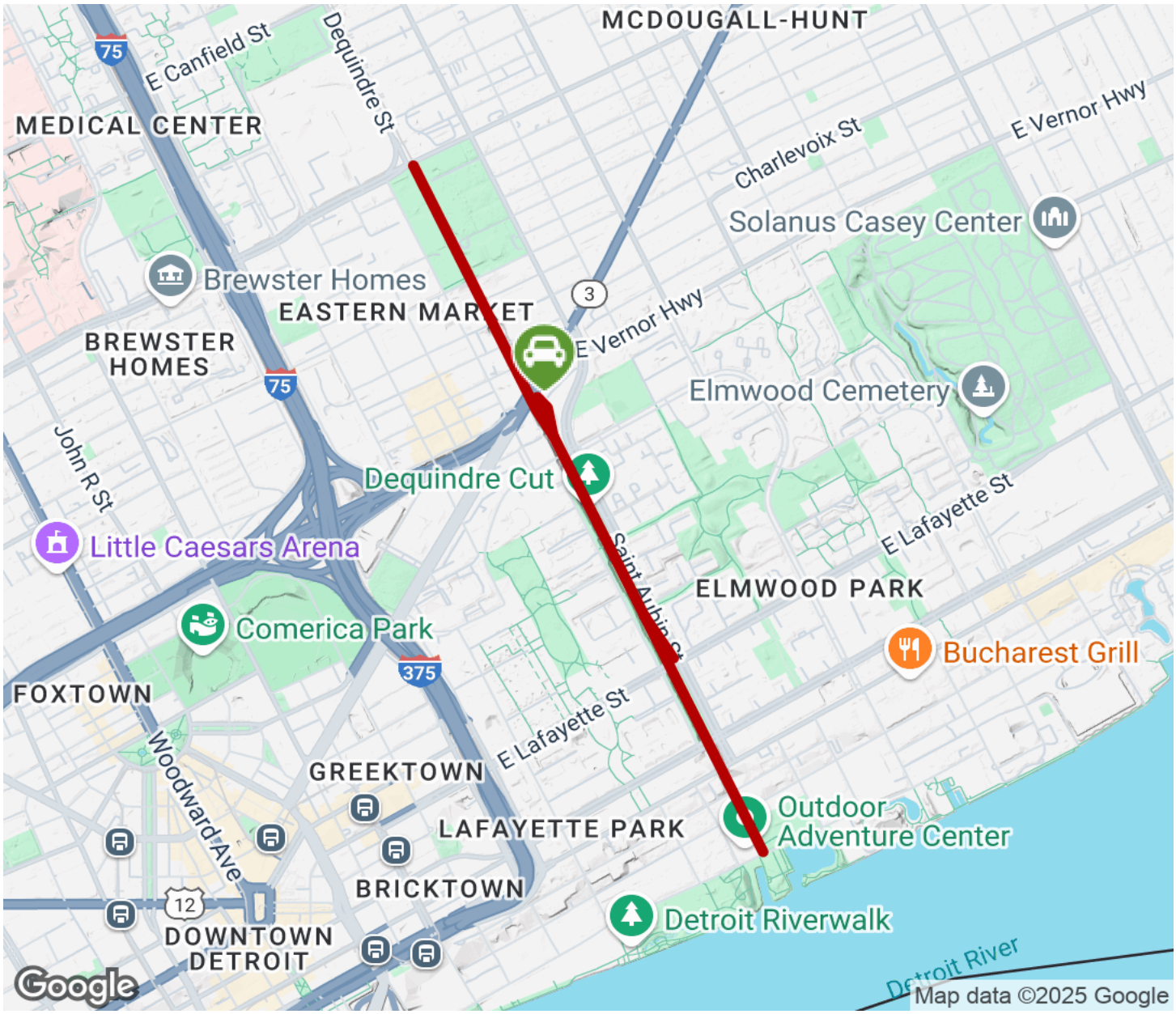

Trailhead Restroom Parking Water Fountain Tunnel

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