

pedestrian and bicycle connectivity, at many locations the stream itself is underground, which led to creatively using open spaces along the corridor to maintain the linkages from the local high school property, through the core of the community to the confluence with French Creek. (see Figure 2)

Alleys in a community can function as open space connections. In Elizabethtown, an enhanced alley served as a much needed connection linking to a large recreational open space and the Conroy Creek corridor. The Elizabethtown Master Plan proposes expanding these existing connections to a new asphalted area and eventually to the Amtrak station. When complete, visitors by train will be able to make their way from the platform to the downtown entirely separate from the vehicular routes. (see Figure 3)

Parks, alleys, plazas, stream corridors, abandoned rail lines and even well-maintained streets can be



FIGURE 3 The Master Plan proposes linking areas so that multiple modes of transportation can access the downtown.

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