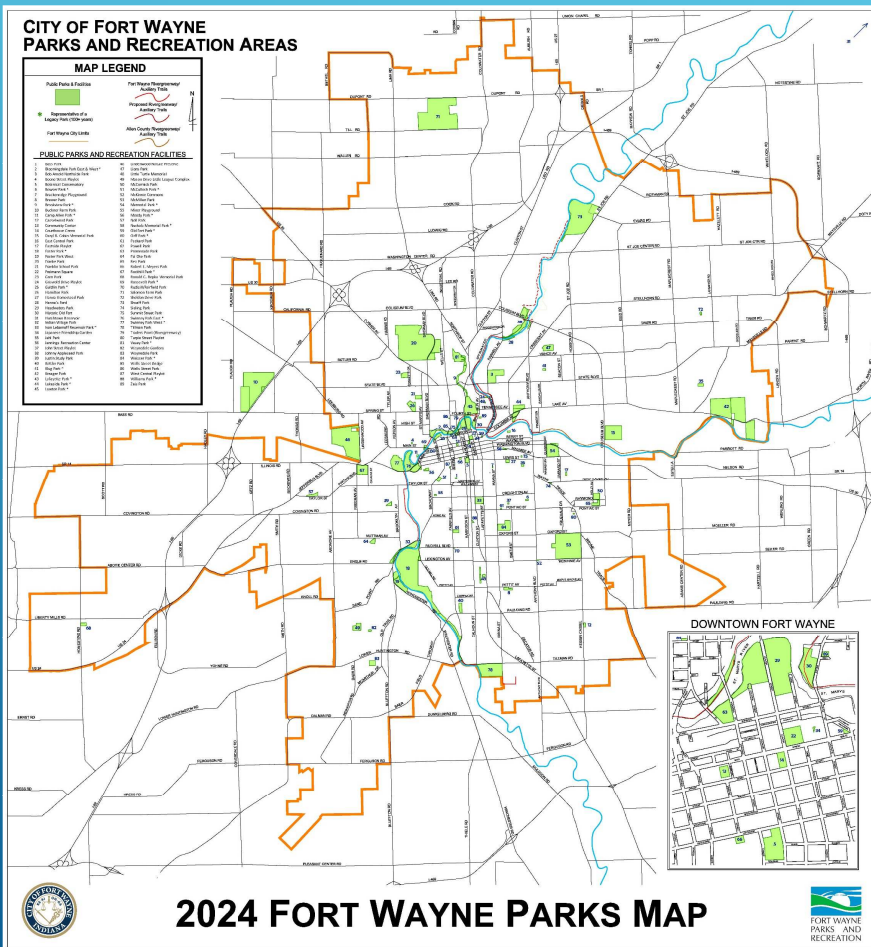
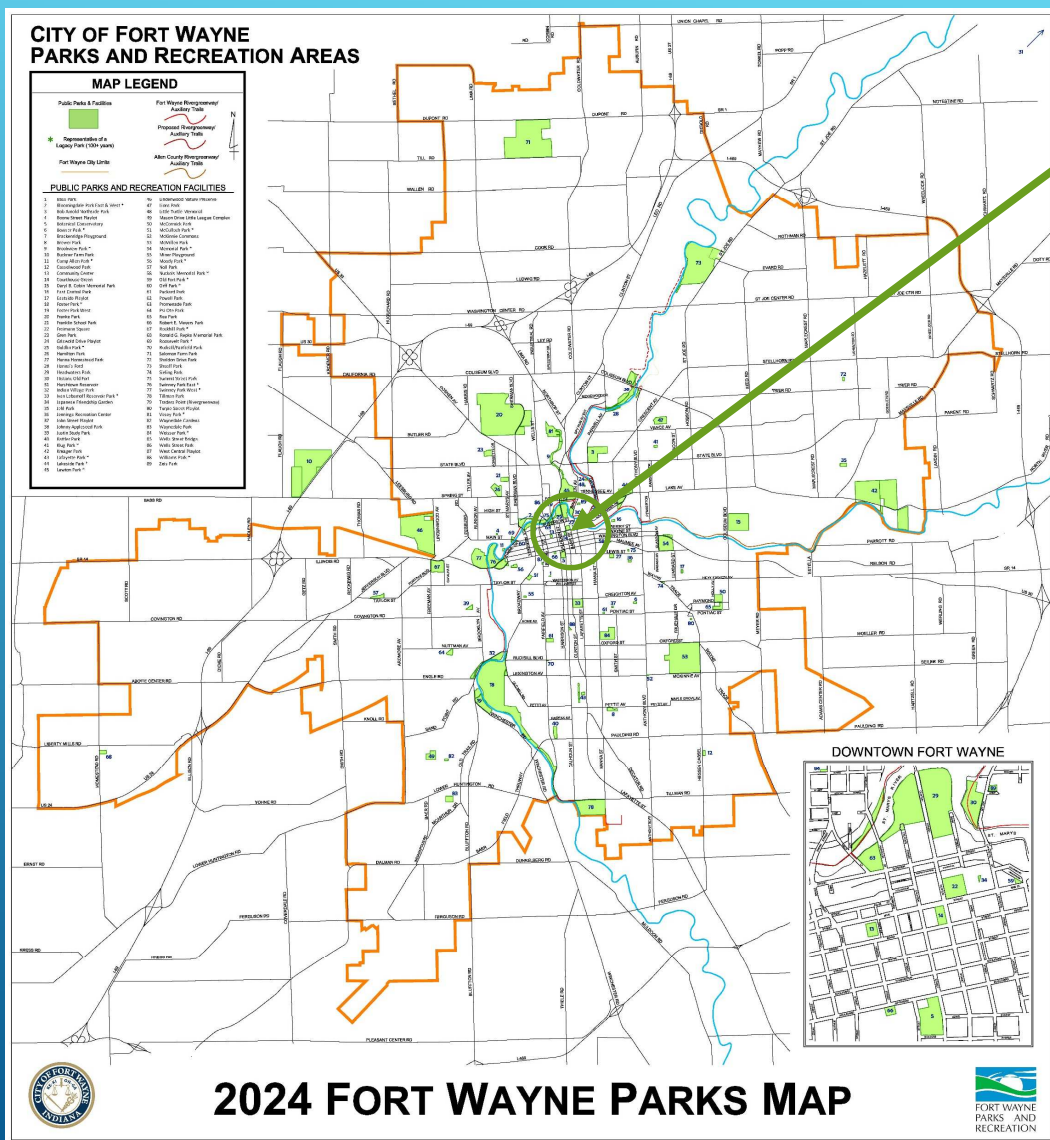


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Parks History and Highlights:

- Japanese Friendship Garden
- Powell Park
- Promenade Park

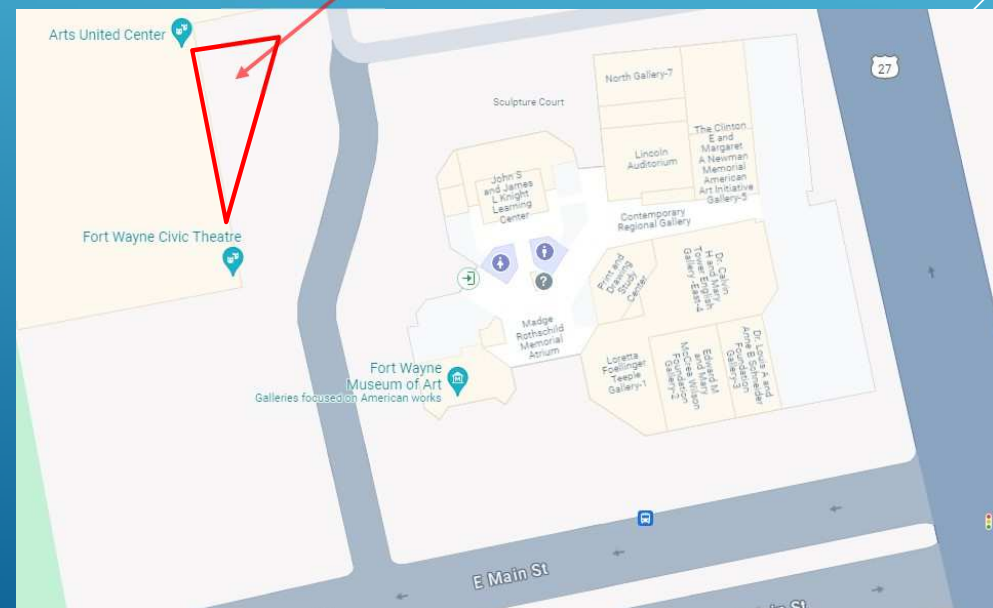




JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP GARDEN

Located at 303 East Main Street

Located next to Fort Wayne Civic Theatre



JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP GARDEN

Since 1980

Size in Acres: 0.11

The garden is tucked away in a little alcove next to the Fort Wayne Civic Center, between the center and the Fort Wayne Museum of Art building.



JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP GARDEN

The Japanese Friendship Garden at the Arts United Center is a gift from Fort Wayne's sister city Takaoka, Japan in July 1980. The gift was given to commemorate the sister city relationship and was reaffirmed by the burying of a time capsule on May 11, 2002. The park was designed by Takaoka's Kimio Family, along with help from local artist Tim Doyle.

Construction of the park was made possible through help from four Japanese landscape professionals and the Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation's Landscape Department.



JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP GARDEN

While the park is owned by the Arts United, it is managed by the Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation Department. The design of the park is meant to mimic a Japanese garden commonly found throughout traditional homes throughout the Japanese historic districts. These gardens are created in various shapes and sizes but all serve the same purpose of providing a tranquil meditation space to enjoy the beauty of nature.

While the most notable features of the garden consist of the beautiful flowering cherry trees and the Japanese sculptures, another interesting element is a time capsule that was installed to be opened in 2027.



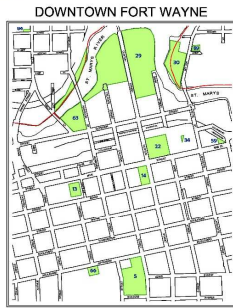
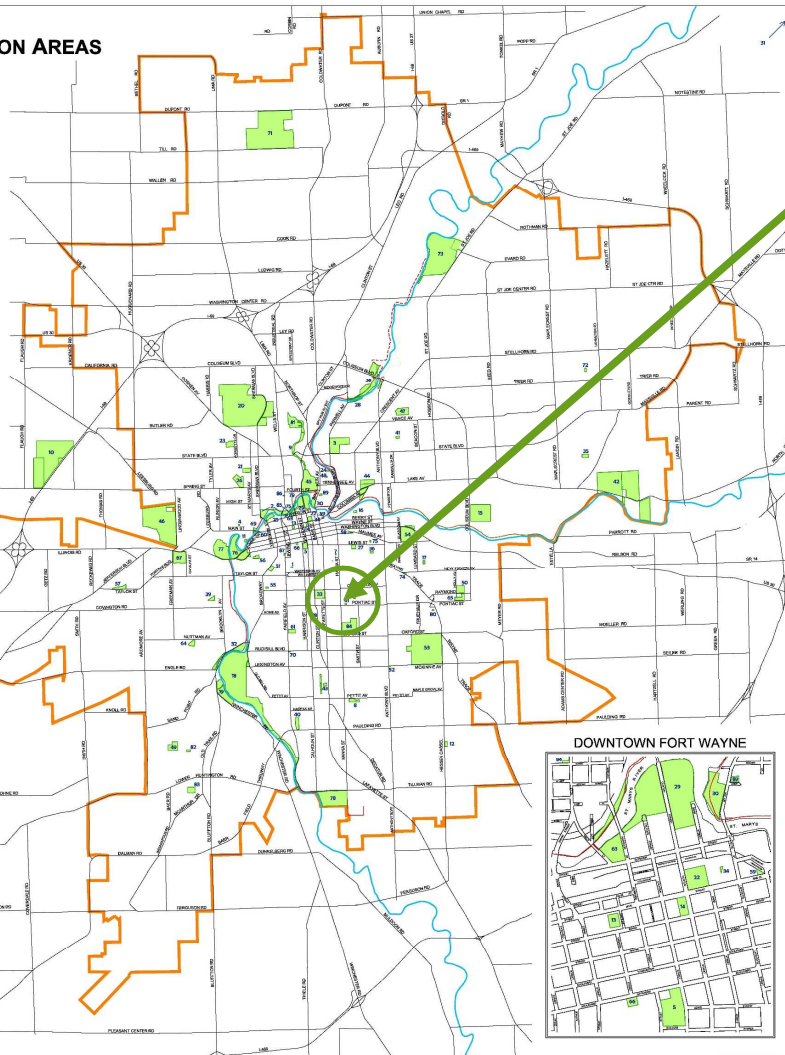
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CITY OF FORT WAYNE PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS

MAP LEGEND

 Public Parks & Facilities	 Fort Wayne Recreation/Amateur Club
 Representative of a Large Park (100+ acres)	 Proposed Recreation/Amateur Club
 Fort Wayne City Center	 Allen County Recreation/Amateur Club

PUBLIC PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES	
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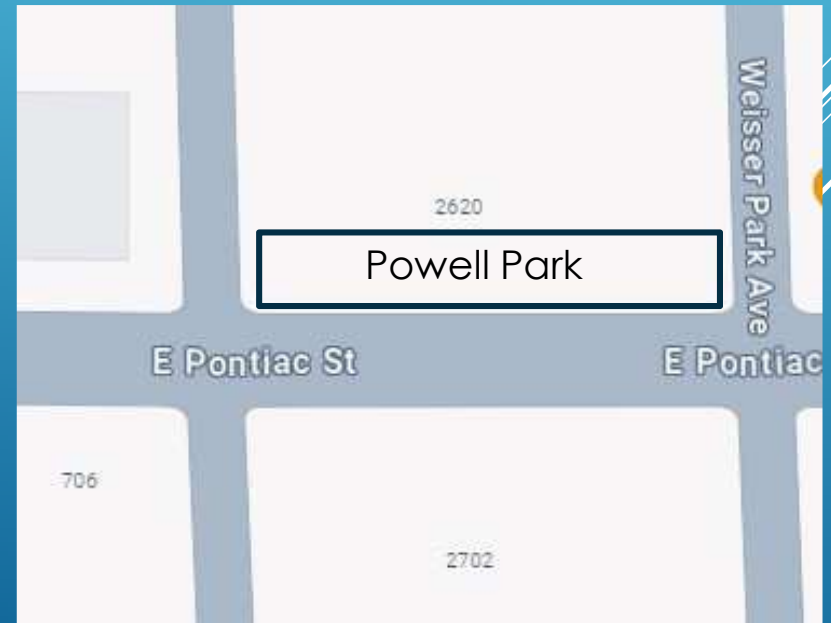


2024 FORT WAYNE PARKS MAP



POWELL PARK

Located at 2620 Weisser Avenue and Pontiac St.



POWELL PARK

Since 2022

Size: 0.18Acres

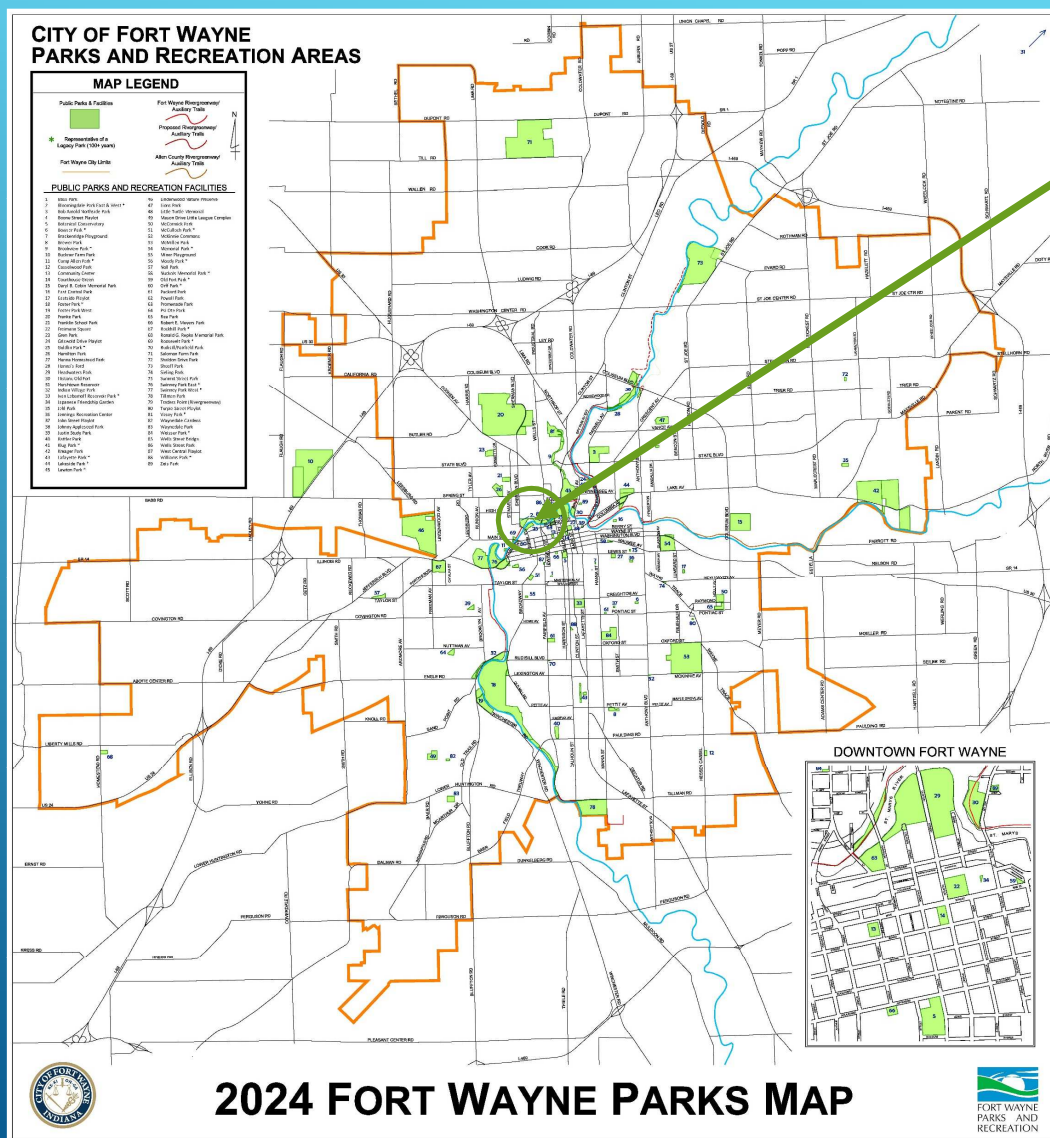
History: The park like setting was officially renamed in honor of Lester and Hester Powell, who tirelessly maintained the area for the last 20 years. In 2019, the City of Fort Wayne's Community Development Division and the Southeast Area Partnership worked together with residents in southeast Fort Wayne to develop the **Southeast Strategy Update**, which focuses on reinvesting in the southeast quadrant. The refreshment of this park was planned as part of this Update plan and demonstrates the positive momentum being shown in southeast Fort Wayne.



POWELL PARK

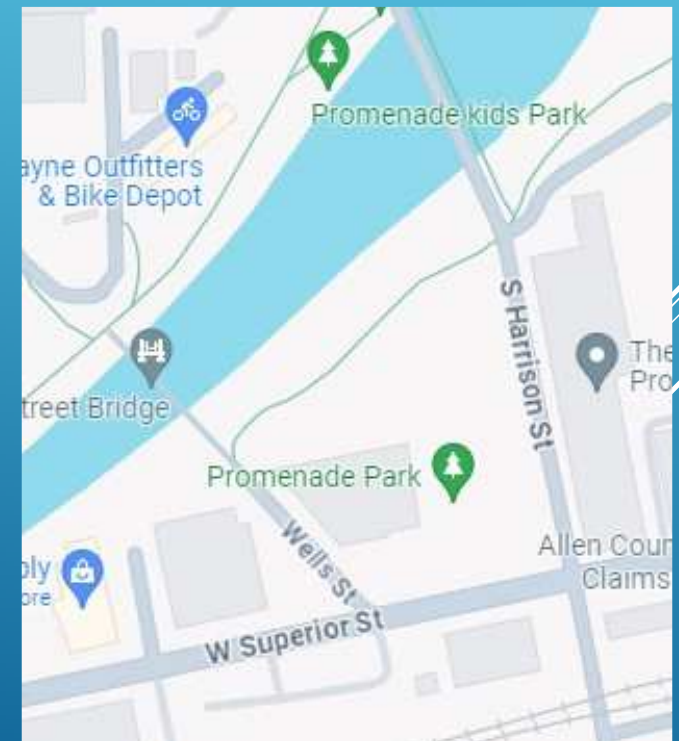
The newly reconstructed neighborhood park, located in the Renaissance Pointe neighborhood, offers a basketball court, gathering space for families, and areas to rest.





PROMENADE PARK

202 W. Superior Street



PROMENADE PARK

Since 2019

Size in Acres: 4.20

Following a series of design charrettes and town meetings requesting the input of the public from the City of Fort Wayne, a plan was put together to meet the expectations of the local community to increase recreational use of the rivers and stimulate the downtown economy along the rivers. The result was Promenade Park. After a series of land acquisitions and a lot of design work, construction began in 2017. The Grand Opening Celebration was held for Promenade Park August 9-11, 2019. Approximately 35,000 people came to visit the park that weekend. Park visitors continue to visit the park and enjoy all the amenities the park offers!



PROMENADE PARK

Located along the Saint Mary's River, between Harrison and Wells Streets, the park is a regional attraction that features a 4-acre multipurpose river parkway, including a pavilion, a tree canopy trail, a playground, sculptures and two boat docks with many water activities. It is the place to be to relax and people watch, have a bite to eat or a coffee or beverage. Activities include concerts, multiple boating and water recreational choices, and plenty of space for kids of any age.



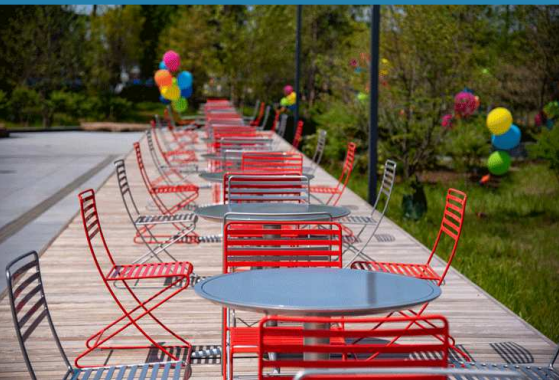
PROMENADE PARK

The park's design encourages connections between nature and people of all abilities. From the very beginning of the design process, project team conversations were held with community members, which led to the inclusion of universal design principles. From large bench swings to curved hillside seating that fosters conversations, Promenade Park offers a mental break for downtown workers and residents alike in a natural environment



PROMENADE PARK

Promenade Park demonstrates the value of revitalizing natural spaces for public benefit while expanding residents and visitor access to the riverfront. Features like the Tree Canopy Trail, the PNC Playground, and waterfront canoe rentals provide visitors with a memorable riverfront experience.



PROMENADE PARK

Promenade Park is not just a park. It is a hub of activity. From riverboat cruises on the Sweetbreeze canal boat, dragonboat races, festival activities, concerts, splashing in the kids canal, and more. There is always something happening in the park.



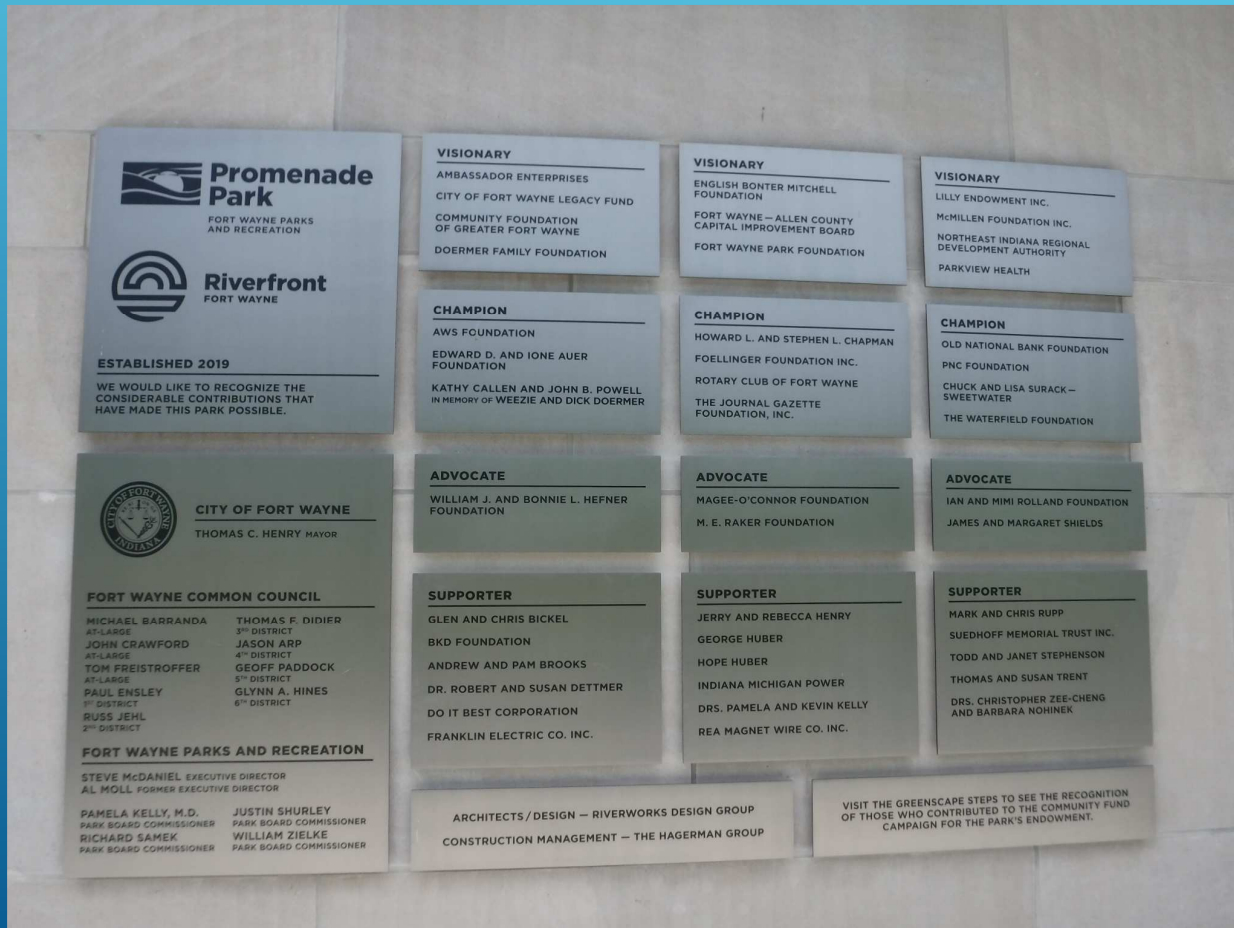
PROMENADE PARK – Park Foundation Pavilion

The park is also home to a year-round rental pavilion, the Park Foundation Pavilion. It is a beautiful facility that has a capacity of 150 seated, 338 standing. Inside the pavilion is also a small café currently operated by Ted's Snack Bar. The pavilion sits next to and provides a beautiful view of the historic Wells Street Bridge, which can be rented for events as well.



PROMENADE PARK

Promenade Park is arguably one of the most successful projects undertaken by the Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation Department in many years. It could not have been possible without the help from numerous design professionals, agencies, and donations from various individuals. We want to continue to recognize these individuals.



PROMENADE PARK

Finally, since its establishment, Promenade Park is not only recognized by the residents of Fort Wayne. The park has continued to exceed expectations with numerous awards of recognition for park design.

Design Team

Parks – Alec Johnson (lead) Steve Schuhmacher, Steve McDaniel, Chad Shaw
Riverworks Design Group – Design Collaborative, Lamar Johnson Collaborative (formerly called Forum), Hoch Associates, Engineering Resources, American Structurepoint, One Lucky Guitar

Design Awards

- Urban Land Institute - North American Award of Excellence
- Architizer Magazine - A+ Jury National Winner
- Fast Company Magazine – Best of Urban Design National Award
- ASLA St. Louis – Merit Award
- ASLA Illinois – Merit Award
- ASLA Central States – Award Of Excellence
- Indiana ASLA – Award of Excellence
- Indiana Engineering Excellence Award

Promenade Park is a True Success Story!



MUCH MORE TO COME...

