



PRO PARKS

2008 PRO PARKS LEVY ANNUAL NEWSLETTER



Mayor's Message

A century ago, the Olmsted brothers helped to create a magnificent park system for a young city. We are fortunate to have inherited such a rich legacy of parks and open space.

As this city continues to grow, our open space must grow with it.

The Pro Parks Levy has added 42 acres to our park system, has developed new parks, renovated old ones and given our programming and maintenance a much needed shot in the arm.

The Levy will sunset at the end of the year, and I have taken the steps necessary to make a successful transition.

My 2008 budget will fully fund the additional Levy programs and operating expenses for all the new and expanded parks and facilities. Without this funding, these popular programs and services would have gone away. By stepping up to the plate a year early, we were able to continue these vital programs and services for years to come without relying on a Levy.

Funding programs and services freed up money to support other capital projects. About \$5 million is now in a special fund that will help develop our parks. Look for

news later in the spring about how you can help us use this money most effectively.

These changes will bring real benefits, including: cleaner parks and facilities; more third and fourth graders learning to swim; wading pools that stay open longer hours in the summertime; Parks Environmental Stewardship Unit supporting our climate pollution reduction programs; enhanced youth, teens and senior programming; and much more.

As the Levy comes to an end, we are finding other ways to increase park and open space across our city. We're also adding new acreage to our system by developing parks atop lidded reservoirs. Pro Parks Levy projects at the Beacon Reservoir (Jefferson Park) and Myrtle Reservoir will add 30 new acres of open space to the city.

The Olmsted brothers would be proud.

Greg Nickels
Mayor, City of Seattle



The gently sloping hills, brand new play equipment, tables, benches and barbecues at Eila Bailey Park replace what was once an overgrown blacktop.

MANAGING THE LEVY

The Big Picture: A Funding Overview

For this Levy, funds are collected and expenditures are made every year throughout its eight-year life. Amounts listed in millions of dollars.

Acquisition

Neighborhood Park	\$16.0
Greenspace	\$10.0
Total	\$26.0

Development

Neighborhood Parks.....	\$52.8
Major Neighborhood Parks	\$23.1
Playfields and Facilities	\$17.9
Trails	\$9.0
Total	\$102.8

Acquisition and Development Opportunity Fund

Total	\$10.0
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Environmental Stewardship, Maintenance and Programming

New Park/Green Space Maintenance.....	\$7.6
Environment Stewardship	\$9.7
Enhanced Park and Facility Maintenance ..	\$5.3
Recreational Programming	\$16.9
Zoo Programming.....	\$21.8
Total	\$61.3

Use of Funds Total

Projected Funding Sources

Levy Proceeds	\$198.2
Interest Earnings.....	\$2.0

This does not include the \$5 million in Mayor Greg Nickels' 2008 budget that will be used to fund community-nominated development projects.

Completed development projects in 2007

1. Laurelhurst Community Center
2. Ella Bailey Park
3. Loyal Heights Playfield
4. Amy Yee Tennis Center*
5. Brighton Science Park*
6. Fremont Peak Park*
7. Haller Lake Street End*
8. Lake Washington Boulevard
9. Marra-Desimone Park
10. Orchard Street Ravine
11. Rainier Beach Public Plaza
12. Seward Park Annex (Audubon Learning Center)
13. Lake Union Park (Phase I)

The Levy includes \$112 million over its eight-year life for 140 projects, including those identified in the Levy and those nominated through the Opportunity Fund, that will improve parks and park facilities, create new parks on undeveloped sites, restore wetlands, enhance buildings, and improve ballfields and trails. During the first seven years of the Levy, Seattle Parks has completed 104 projects. The remaining 36 projects are under way. Our projects are on schedule and within budget.

* Indicates an Opportunity Fund project. The Pro Parks Levy Opportunity Fund was a \$10 million fund allocated in two funding rounds that provided money to acquire and develop parks nominated by the community.

Superintendent's Message

The Pro Parks Levy has been an integral part of making Seattle Parks and Recreation a world-class system.

In spite of the sunset of the Levy at the end of this year, many programs and services will continue — thanks to Mayor Greg Nickels and concurrence from City Council. Mayor Nickels' 2008 budget will go a long way toward helping Seattle Parks maintain our parks and facilities and ensure vital programming, while also adding \$5 million to support community-nominated development projects.

We're taking our planning for the future a step further by developing a Strategic Action Plan (SAP). The plan will help us prioritize our decision making for the next five years — based, in large part, on feedback from you.

Already we have held 35 community meetings to gain initial input, and we will hold dozens more meetings this spring to get your thoughts on our first draft. Watch for notices about these meetings in late March or early April.

The future of Seattle Parks and Recreation is an exciting one. In this City, there is an energy and excitement about public parks that is unique and forward thinking. Volunteerism and advocacy is strong. City leadership promotes, encourages and supports its parks. These things signal a robust, healthy and thriving system.

Tim Gallagher
Superintendent

Mayor Nickels' priorities for Seattle

-  Get Seattle moving
-  Keep our neighborhoods safe
-  Create jobs and opportunity for all
-  Build strong families and healthy communities

Vision Statement: Creating community through people, parks and programs. www.seattle.gov/parks

The Pro Parks Levy Funds

The Pro Parks Levy funds programming at Woodland Park Zoo and within Seattle Parks and Recreation. It supports and maintains an Enhanced Maintenance program and an Environmental Stewardship program.

These programs are aimed at improving awareness of the environment and our role in helping reduce the impacts of climate change, expanding or enhancing park maintenance, and offering valuable life-skills education or community-enhancing recreation.

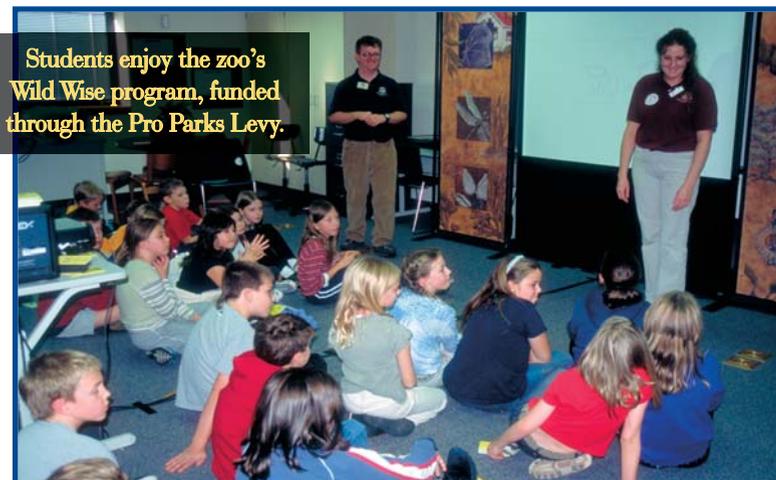
Woodland Park Zoo

Pro Parks Levy funding remained extremely important to a number of programs, projects and staff positions at the zoo in 2007.

Educational programs supported by the Levy included free transportation and admission to the zoo for 10,162 low-income children via the School-to-Zoo program. Other Levy-supported programs include Forest Explorers, Wild Wise and SOAR (Save Our Amazing Raptors), collectively reaching over 23,350 kids. On-grounds public programs, including those featuring program animals and the Family Farm Contact Area, also benefit from Levy funds.

“Maasai Journey” was the zoo’s featured attraction in 2007. Levy funding supported the redesigned interpretive signage that was a key element of this new experience on the zoo’s African Savanna exhibit. In addition, the Levy funded a major upgrade to the zoo’s central shops complex, including a metal shop.

As in the past, a number of critical staff positions in animal management, Information Technology and security relied on levy funding.



Students enjoy the zoo’s Wild Wise program, funded through the Pro Parks Levy.

Pro Parks programs are divided into three distinct areas with unique programs intended to improve the awareness of our environment, expand or enhance maintenance of our parks, and offer education or recreation.

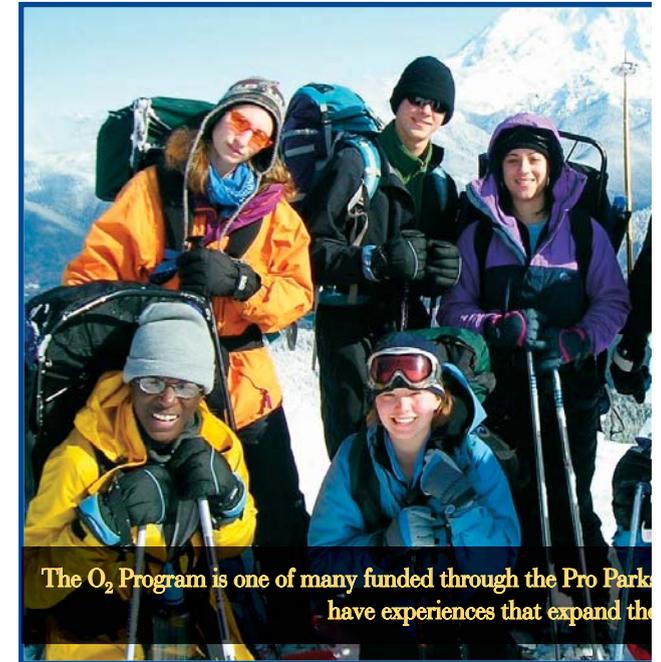
Environmental Stewardship

The **Environmental Stewardship** unit budget was adjusted to allow for the hiring of a new Utility Conservation Manager whose focus is to manage the department’s utility expenses. In the first year, the new position resulted in utility savings of \$356,400. Parks was also able to reduce paper use by 41 percent, well ahead of the City goal of 30 percent.

The **Naturalist** program provided education services for the public at Carkeek and Seward parks. Almost 2,500 people participated in classes, tours and programs at 21 community centers. Staff developed strong community partnerships with organizations including the Audubon Society, Seattle Public Schools and the National Science Foundation.

Under the supervision of the Urban Forestry Crew Chief, the **Tree Maintenance Crew** responded to 895 requests for tree maintenance, and pruned 918 trees.

The **Natural Area Crew** was created to allow for cleanup and restoration work in natural areas and forests. Volunteer Forest Stewards have begun to take a more active role in volunteer work party leadership. With the aid of 785 volunteers the



The O₂ Program is one of many funded through the Pro Parks Levy. Participants have experiences that expand the

Natural Area Crews performed 2,900 hours of labor in 2007, completing 53 projects.

The **Landscape and Athletic Fields Crews** provided enhanced supplemental maintenance for 37 athletic fields and 130 high profile landscapes. Volunteer projects leveraged the work of gardeners with special attention on 26 sites during special events such as Day of Caring, Day of Service and Earth Day.

Enhanced Maintenance

Parks’ **Peak Use Maintenance Team** was divided into three geographic teams allowing for targeted response to unique issues in each community. Some examples where Parks was able to increase service included management of beach fires at Alki and Golden Gardens beaches, and enhanced cleaning for 25 downtown parks special events. The team provides additional cleanings for our downtown 7 days a week.

COMMUNITY



Levy that gives teens an opportunity to reach their horizons.

Comfort Station Cleaning kept 87 comfort stations looking their best with a second daily cleaning during the peak use season.

The **Cleaner Pools** program provided 4,125 hours of supplemental cleaning with most time directed to cleaning and maintaining swimming pools, which included 750 hours in support of fountains, water spray features and wading pools.

The Parks team dedicated to **Cleaner Community Centers** has been able to respond more quickly to needs with the roving "Clean Team" crew. In 2007, they were able to support all 26 recreation centers with more than 3,000 hours of service.

Recreation Programs

Parks' **Teen Development** program provided successful outreach to support youth development through our Signature Program model, Late Nite, O₂, and community center Teen Leaders. More than 7,000 teens participated in at least one activity during 2007.

Kids Program Access provided financial assistance to needy children through scholarships to before and after school care. All 22 childcare programs received scholarships, and most of the funding went to families in southeast Seattle.

The **Youth Teen Development Fund** built partnerships within the community by awarding 16 matching grants, from the 32 applications that were received, totaling \$145,500 — as well as making contributions to the VERA project and Mayors Youth Summit and Town Hall. More than 14,000 hours of program delivery were provided, serving 3,500 youth.

Seattle Parks Foundation

Seattle Parks Foundation is an independent nonprofit organization dedicated to improving and expanding Seattle's parks and green spaces. The Parks Foundation has raised \$24 million in support of parks since 2001 and completed 23 park projects. In 2007, the Parks Foundation supported construction of the 12-acre Lake Union Park, received our 100th bench donation, launched our Tree Program, while improving nine neighborhood parks and green spaces.

Phase I of Lake Union Park, which received more than \$5 million in Pro Parks funding, will open to the public this spring. In the last year, the seawall, great lawn, terraced steps, boardwalk, and pedestrian bridge were completed, transforming this lakeside park in the heart of Seattle. The entire park will be completed in 2010.



The **Youth Transportation** program assures access to vans, buses, ferries and trains, allowing access to parks, events and field trips. The program provided more than 22,000 transports for teen programs and 300 field trips for 24 community centers.

Levy funding for summer **Wading Pools** provided extra days of operation at 11 sites and extra hours of operation at five community center sites. Daily average attendance reached 185 people per site.

In partnership with Seattle Public Schools, the **Learn to Swim** program provides free instruction for children in grades 3 and 4, resulting in nearly 14,000 individual swim classes. Sixty-six percent of those participating indicated they were "new to swimming." The program also provided 411 swim suits to children with a need.

Parks' Senior Adults program was renamed **Lifelong Recreation** and worked to improve and increase programming for adults over the age of 50 in targeted geographic areas. The program offered 798 activities with 37,165 hours of direct service. The Northwest Senior Games was the biggest and most comprehensive this year. It became a regional event coordinated by Seattle Parks and Recreation staff, serving more than 500 athletes in 10 sports.



There were 11 events at the largest region-wide NW Senior Games in 2007. These two participated in the tennis competition.

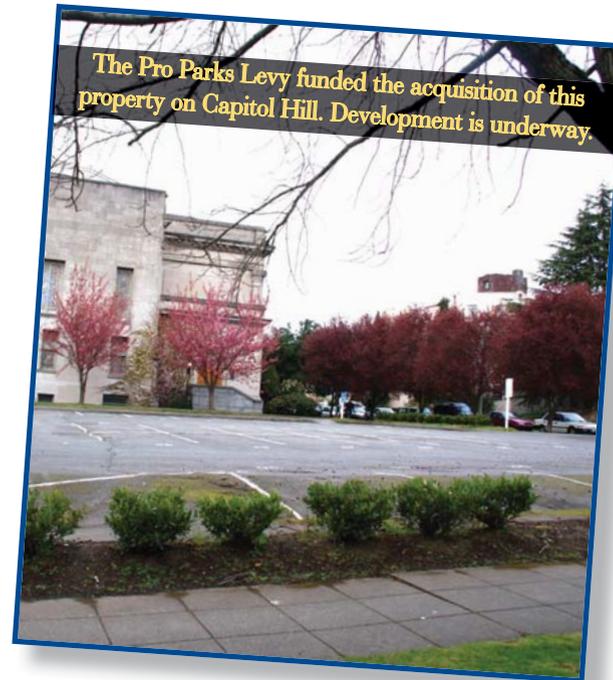
ADDING TO THE LEGACY

Acquiring new parks

A key focus of the Levy is purchasing land for new parks and preserving green space and wildlife habitat.

To date, 42.28 acres have been acquired, and the Levy has leveraged \$24 million in additional funds for park acquisition. The following properties were purchased in 2007.

- K Ballard Corners Park:** The park size doubled with the purchase of an additional 10,000 square feet.
- K West Capitol Hill Park:** Parks acquired a 9,600-square-foot surface parking lot at the northeast corner of Summit Avenue E. and E. John Street (just north of the Starbucks on Olive Way) for conversion into a neighborhood park.
- K Kubota Garden:** Greenspace adjacent to the park grew by .84 acre. Combined with a .53-acre site purchased in 2006, these acquisitions preserve more than 400 feet along Mapes Creek, which also flows through the garden.
- K St. Marks Greenbelt:** Acquisition of 6,024 square feet on Lakeview Boulevard E., will improve pedestrian connections, extend wildlife habitat, and enhance the wooded buffer along E. Blaine Street public stairway.
- K NE Queen Anne Greenbelt/MacLean Park:** Addition of .27 acres in the greenbelt will allow removal of the paved driveway easement running through MacLean Park.
- K Capitol Hill Neighborhood Park (East):** Parks acquired the 17,415-square-foot surface parking lot at the northwest corner of 16th Avenue E. and E. Howell Street for the development of a neighborhood park.



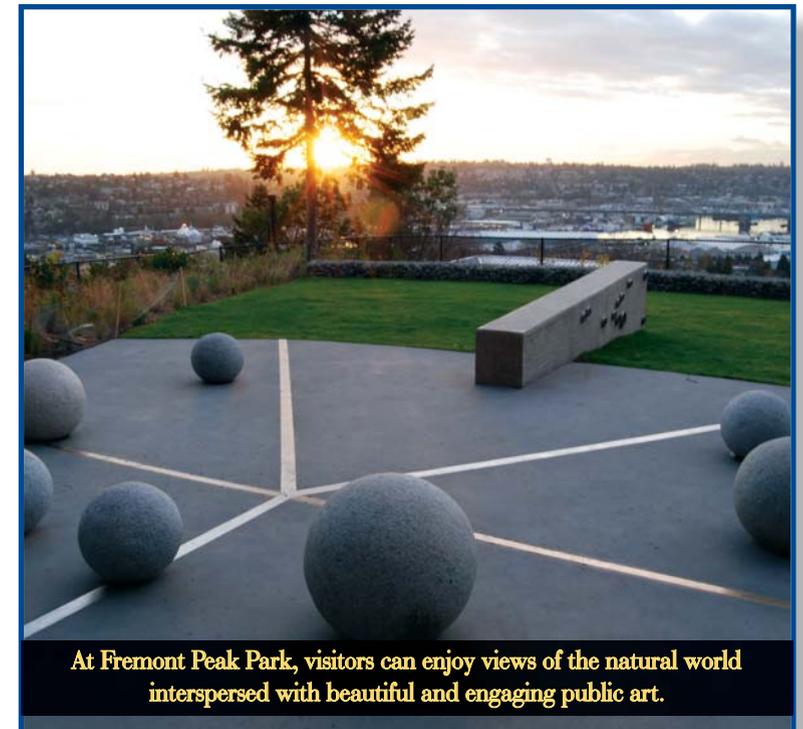
- K Westlake Greenbelt:** Parks acquired an additional .06 acres in this greenbelt, completing City ownership of an entire block of lots, and bringing the total acreage owned by the City up to 1.42 acres.
- K Harrison Ridge Greenspace:** Parks acquired an additional .19 acres in this greenspace. Parks has targeted the site for acquisition since the early 1990s because it is critical to the completion of the Harrison Ridge Greenspace.
- K International District:** The acquisition of a 13,320-square-foot property that currently houses a US Postal Service office will double the size of Hing Hay Park. The Post Office will remain on site under the terms of its lease until it finds a new location in the International District/Chinatown community.

Art in the parks

Park art installations enrich the cultural vitality of Seattle parks. From community sponsored projects to works commissioned by the Mayor's Office of Arts & Cultural Affairs through the 1% for Art program, City parks benefit from artists effectively producing public pieces.

The art projects integrated into parks over the past year encompass many areas of visual art from lighting installations to sculpture to tile staircases. The art experience installed in the Fremont Peak Park by Laura Haddad and the art piece entitled *SAMARA* by Susan Zoccola at Laurelhurst Community Center are examples of how art can enhance a park and inspire learning. The Fremont Peak Park installation sponsored by the community is based on mythological and cosmological concepts.

These are just two locations that you can discover vibrant new art in the City's parks. Next time you're in a City park, check out the art. It's sure to inspire.



COLLABORATING WITH THE COMMUNITY

Partnerships

Seattle Parks and Recreation is committed to engaging with the community to strengthen existing partnerships and to develop new ones for the future.

The Pro Parks Levy Oversight Committee provides recommendations and oversight on the Levy, project scheduling and the Opportunity Fund. This all-volunteer citizen panel meets at 7 p.m. at Parks Headquarters, 100 Dexter Ave. N, on the fourth Monday of the month and encourages public participation.

Committee members include:

- Neal Adams
- Alan Alabastro
- Cindi Barker
- Lisa Chun
- Gwen Colwell
- Doug Dunham
- Juan Garcia
- Don Harper
- Terry Holme
- Cheryl Klinker
- Sharon Lee
- Joyce Moty
- Sonia Singh
- Alec Stephens

Maple Leaf Community Garden

Among our dedicated and hard working volunteers, Barbara Maxwell is among the most tenacious. Without her leadership, the uniquely beautiful and artistic Maple Leaf Community Garden surely would not have happened.

Barbara has championed the project since the 1980s when she identified the property as great place for a community garden. She worked to help secure grants, including a Pro Parks Levy Opportunity Fund grant, and other City money to acquire and develop the garden. Not only did she inspire those with money to support the project, she also rallied her community.

To augment development funds, Barbara brought together volunteers to help build it. Today, the Maple Leaf Community Garden boasts 22 plots for community gardening space.

In 2007, volunteers donated more than 180 pounds of produce to the Lake City and U-District food banks.



Barbara Maxwell worked for many years to see the acquisition and development of the Maple Leaf Community Garden.

Brighton Science Park

United Parcel Service, in honor of its Centennial Day celebrating 100 years in business, committed more than 300 volunteers, including the company CEO, to assisting Parks staff creating the Brighton Science Park.

Along with the volunteer hours, UPS donated \$100,000 to the project, which created a playground featuring play structures that teach hands-on science concepts and blend with the science curriculum being taught at the adjacent Aki Kurose School.

The park and school are located in the neighborhood where the company's founder, Jim Casey, grew up.



UPS donated \$100,000 and committed 300 volunteers to a day of service in the creation of the Brighton Science Park.

Gregory J. Nickels, Mayor, City of Seattle

Timothy A. Gallagher, Superintendent, Seattle Parks and Recreation

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- 6th Avenue NW Pocket Park (Whittier Substation)** — Acquired the substation site and adjacent property at NW 76th and 6th NW, and developed into a neighborhood park.
- Ballard Commons (Ballard Municipal Center Park)** — Developed a new 1.4-acre park as part of the Ballard Civic Center to include a new skate-board park.
- Ballard Corners Park — Opportunity Fund** — Acquired sites and plan to develop property into future neighborhood park.
- Bergen Place Park** — Improved existing park in the heart of Ballard.
- Bitter Lake Reservoir Open Space** — Developed a pathway, open space and drainage improvements around the Bitter Lake Reservoir in cooperation with SPU and SDOT.
- Burke-Gilman Trail** — Construct a trail link from Seaview to Golden Gardens.
- Carkeek Park** — Designed and constructed park improvements, including trails, habitat restoration and interpretive signage.
- Crown Hill School Open Space** — Working with community and Seattle School District to preserve site. Development monies may be redirected toward acquisition of open space.
- Ernst Park (Fremont Park)** — Developed the vacant lot just west of the Fremont Library into a neighborhood park.
- Fremont Peak Park — Opportunity Fund** — Acquired and developed view property at N 45th and Palatine Avenue N. for a new neighborhood park.
- Gas Works Park** — Improved the park, primarily the undeveloped northwest portion, and created open space and park connections.
- Golden Gardens Bathhouse** — Renovated the bathhouse for teen use and other community programming.

- Green Lake Park** — Create a shade garden along with passive recreational and gathering areas.
- Greenwood Park** — Developed a new park at the site of the former green-houses at 87th and Fremont Ave. N; additional properties were acquired through the Opportunity Fund to expand the park.
- Haller Lake Community Street End — Opportunity Fund** — Developed public access to Haller Lake shoreline and provided picnicking and view opportunities.
- Licton Springs Park — Opportunity Fund** — Replaced pedestrian bridge across the wetlands and enhanced wetland plantings.
- Linden Orchard Park (Green Lake Open Space)** — Acquired the site at the NW corner of 67th and Linden Avenue; developed into a park and a P-Patch.
- Loyal Heights Playfield** — Upgraded and improved play surfaces and field amenities.
- Mineral Springs Park (North Seattle Park)** — Improved the park including the disc golf course, gardens, art walk and other amenities.
- North Beach Ravine** — Private buyer purchased vacant parcel to preserve existing green space.
- Ross Park Shelterhouse** — Renovated the shelterhouse for community use.
- Wallingford Playfield** — Redesigned and restored the playfield, including landscaping, a new play area, paths and entryways.
- Wallingford Steps** — Built a stairway to connect the Wallingford neighborhood to the Burke-Gilman Trail and Gas Works Park.



The new Fremont Peak Park, dedicated on Nov. 10, 2007, is an urban oasis with a panoramic view.

New play equipment at Ella Bailey Park adds a much-needed amenity to the park.

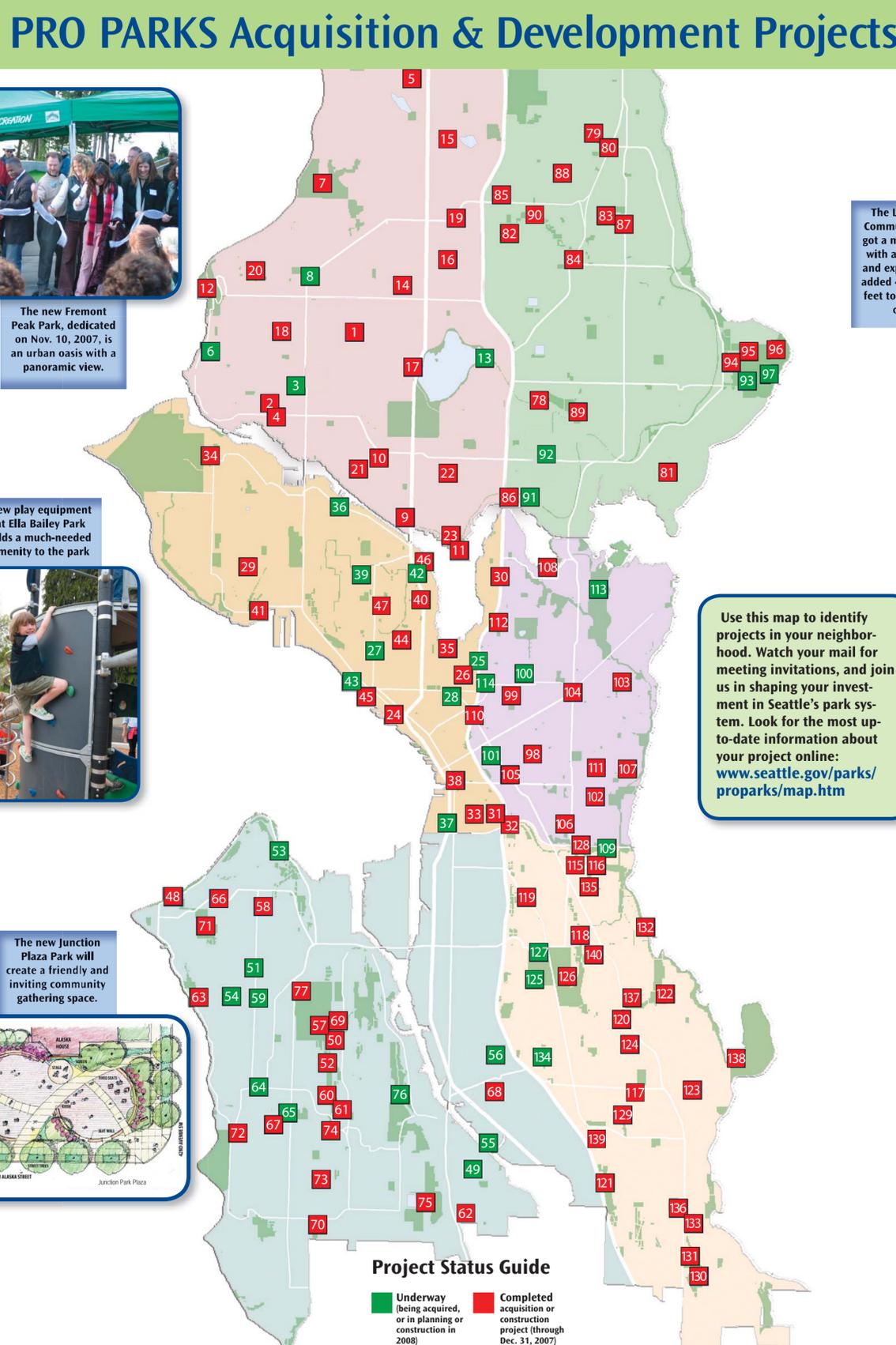


The new Junction Plaza Park will create a friendly and inviting community gathering space.



Project Status Guide

- Underway (being acquired, or in planning or construction in 2008)
- Completed acquisition or construction project (through Dec. 31, 2007)



The Laurelhurst Community Center got a major facelift with a renovation and expansion that added 4,150 square feet to the existing center.



Use this map to identify projects in your neighborhood. Watch your mail for meeting invitations, and join us in shaping your investment in Seattle's park system. Look for the most up-to-date information about your project online: www.seattle.gov/parks/proparks/map.htm

- Cowen Park** — Renovated the park's shelterhouse, daylighted a portion of the creek and enhanced landscaping.
- Lake City Civic Core** — Added .2 acres to the park; redeveloped Albert Davis Park as part of the civic campus development.
- Lake City Mini Park** — Renovated the park addressing site visibility and safety, and improving park features.
- Laurelhurst Community Center** — Expanded and upgraded the existing community center facilities.
- Maple Leaf Community Garden — Opportunity Fund** — Acquired .4-acre site; developed for a park and community garden.
- Meadowbrook Field** — Renovated and improved playfields 2 and 3, including drainage and irrigation improvements and ballfield amenities.

- North Open Space** — Acquired 3.9 acres in the Thornton Creek watershed, including properties at NE 117th and 36th NE, NE 100th and 20th NE, NE 105th St. near Northgate, and NE 95th St near 25th Ave. NE.
- Northgate Park** — Acquired 1.67 acres for a new park in the Northgate area at NE 105th Street and 5th Avenue NE; developed a new park in conjunction with a community center and library.
- Northlake Park (7th Avenue Street End)** — Developed a park at 7th Avenue NE street end and Lake Union.
- North Teen Life Center** — Developed a teen life center in the former community center at Nathan Hale High School.
- Pinehurst Pocket Park — Opportunity Fund** — Acquired property at NE 117th St. and 19th Ave. NE; developed into a new neighborhood park.
- Ravenna Creek Daylighting** — Daylighted a portion of the creek that runs through Ravenna Park.
- Thornton Creek** — Acquired two properties for watershed restoration.
- University District/Burke-Gilman Area Improvements** — Upgrade area around the trail near the University Bridge and the Peace Park.
- University District — Opportunity Fund** — Working with community and Seattle School District to preserve University Heights' 2-acre south open space.
- Warren G. Magnuson Park Athletic Fields** — Develop five athletic fields.
- Warren G. Magnuson Park Building Improvements** — Improved Building 406, "the Brig," for community use.
- Warren G. Magnuson Community Garden** — Developed a community garden.
- Warren G. Magnuson Off-Leash Area** — Enhanced the off-leash dog area.
- Warren G. Magnuson Park Wetlands** — Develop wetland in conjunction with new sports fields at the site; the wetland project will re-create an area for stormwater treatment and wildlife habitat.

- Belltown Cottage Park — Opportunity Fund** — Developed the property surrounding the historic Belltown Cottages into a small neighborhood park.
- Cascade People's Center — Opportunity Fund** — Support renovations to facility that serves diverse community in Cascade neighborhood.
- Cascade Playground** — Improved the playfield, children's play area, paths and landscaping.
- Counterbalance Park: An Urban Oasis** — Acquired property at Queen Anne Ave. N. and Roy St.; develop into a unique, vibrant urban park.
- Denny Triangle — Opportunity Fund** — Acquire a new park site in the urban village.
- Ella Bailey Park (Magnolia Elementary Playfield)** — Developed the view site east of the school into an award winning park.
- I-5 Colonnade (I-5 Open Space)** — Developed open space under I-5 in the Eastlake community, including stairways, trails and landscaping as well as an off-leash dog area.
- International District/Chinatown Community Center — Opportunity Fund** — Supported community efforts to build a gym in the new International District/Chinatown Community Center.
- International District/Chinatown Community Center Expansion — Opportunity Fund** — Acquired property to add a fitness room to the community center.
- International District — Opportunity Fund** — Acquired a .17-acre parcel to double the size of Hing Hay Park.
- Kiwanis Ravine Natural Area** — Acquired half-acre property to connect the existing green space and protect habitat for great blue herons.
- Lake Union Park** — Completed Phase I improvements.
- Lake Union/Ship Canal Trail** — Complete missing links to the trail near the Fremont and Ballard bridges.

- Mountain to Sound Greenway** — Connect the trail from I-90 to the waterfront.
- Pioneer Square Area Parks** — Pioneer Square Park improvements included replacing pavers, improving on-site furnishings and lighting, repairing historic fountain; improvements at Occidental Square included new pavers, upgraded lighting, a performance area and landscape improvements.
- Queen Anne Boulevard** — Upgrade the historic boulevard, including pedestrian amenities, landscaping and access improvements.
- Queen Anne Greenbelt** — Property acquired to connect existing green space in NE Queen Anne Greenbelt.
- Smith Cove** — Acquired 7.3 acres from the U.S. Navy for a new park. The upper portion of the site has been named Ursula Judkins Viewpoint.
- Thomas C. Wales Park (formerly Dexter Pit Park)** — Develop City-owned property on Dexter Avenue N near McGraw Street into a neighborhood park.
- Thomas Street Overpass (Lake Union to Elliott Bay Trail)** — Complete a pedestrian overpass at Thomas Street between Queen Anne's Uptown neighborhood and Myrtle Edwards Park.
- Ward Springs Park (4th and Ward Park)** — Developed City-owned property into a neighborhood park with a play area and a community building.
- Waterfront Connections at Belltown and Lower Queen Anne** — Developed pedestrian access to the Myrtle Edwards Park/Elliott Bay waterfront from Belltown/Lower Queen Anne in connection with the Seattle Art Museum's Olympic Sculpture Park.
- Westlake Greenbelt** — Property acquired to connect existing green space.
- Wolf Creek Ravine** — A property owner donated a site in this green space.

- 12th Avenue Village Gathering Place — Opportunity Fund** — Acquired property for a new neighborhood park.
- Cal Anderson Park (Lincoln Park Reservoir)** — Completed development of a new shelterhouse, comfort station, plaza area, landscaping, water feature and children's play area. Reservoir covering added 4 acres of park space to Capitol Hill.
- Capitol Hill Park** — Acquired a site at 16th Ave and E. Howell St; develop into a new neighborhood park space.
- First Hill Park** — Acquire property; develop into a neighborhood park.
- Flo Ware Park — Opportunity Fund** — Improved the park by redeveloping the play area, lighting and visibility, and family-oriented spaces.
- Harrison Ridge Greenbelt** — Property acquired to connect existing green space.
- Homer Harris Park** — Acquired two properties at E Howell Street and 24th Avenue East; developed site into a neighborhood park.
- Horiuchi Park (Spruce and Squire Park)** — Developed site into neighborhood park including improvements to landscaping and walkways.
- Judkins Playfield** — Redeveloped the middle playfield including drainage, irrigation and turf; decreased stormwater runoff; improved ADA access.
- Leschi-Lake Dell Natural Area** — Acquired .17-acre view property.
- Montlake Community Center** — Improved the center to expand activity areas, create multi-purpose room, showers and office.
- Mount Baker Ridge Viewpoint — Opportunity Fund** — Acquired property at S. Day St. and 31st Ave. S.; develop view platform and new park.

- Plymouth Pillars Park (Boren Pike Pine Park)** — Improved the gateway to the Pike-Pine neighborhood and added a dog off-leash area.
- Powell Barnett Legacy Project — Opportunity Fund** — Restored and improved play area and other features at Powell Barnett Park.
- St. Mark's Greenbelt** — Acquired 6,024-square-foot property on Lakeview Boulevard East to connect existing green space.
- Washington Park Arboretum** — Per the adopted Master Plan, improvements include pathway and utility upgrades, enhancements to the plant collections, construction of Pacific Connections Garden and a renovated Japanese entry gatehouse.
- West Capitol Hill Park/John & Summit Park Development (alternative Bellevue Substation)** — Acquired site at E John Street and Summit Ave. E for a new park; develop into a neighborhood park.

A volunteer carves a support column for the Interpretive Shelter in the Pacific Connections Garden at the Washington Park Arboretum.



- Alki Bathhouse** — Improved exterior of the bathhouse and renovated the interior to enhance programming.
- Cesar Chavez Park — Opportunity Fund** — Develop park to include musical stone sculptures.
- Cottage Grove Park (Brandon Mini-Park)** — Developed a neighborhood park with recreational courts, a playground and picnic shelter.
- Dakota Place Park (California Substation)** — Acquired the substation site; develop it as a park and improve the building for community use.
- Delridge Open Space** — Acquired 5 acres of wooded hillside and along Longfellow Creek and Puget Creek to connect existing green spaces.
- Duwamish Head Greenbelt** — A .4-acre parcel was donated; and a .4-acre panoramic view property was purchased and additional acquisition is underway.
- Ercolini Park — Opportunity Fund** — Acquired half-acre property; develop into a neighborhood park.
- Gateway North — Opportunity Fund** — Acquire the site for a future park on the Duwamish River.
- Georgetown Playfield** — Improve the landscaping and field surface.
- Greg Davis Park** — Completed development of a new park.
- Hiawatha Playfield/Community Center entries** — Improved entries to the playfield and community center grounds.
- Junction Plaza — Opportunity Fund** — Acquired property; develop into a public plaza in West Seattle Junction.
- Longfellow Creek Legacy Trail** — Developed the trailhead and trail segment near Thistle Street.
- Longfellow Creek Trail** — Developed connecting portions of the creek trail system, including signage.
- Marra-Desimone Park — Opportunity Fund** — Develop plan for site, improve infrastructure and enhance community facilities.
- Me-Kwa-Mooks Natural Area** — Acquired a 2.1-acre site and a conservation easement to extend existing green space.

- Morgan Junction** — Acquired property in Morgan Junction; developing into a neighborhood park.
- Myrtle Reservoir** — Develop usable open space when the reservoir is lidded.
- Nantes Park (Alki Substation)** — Acquired the substation site and adjacent property at NW Admiral Way and 51st Ave. SW; developed into a passive park.
- Orchard Street Ravine** — Developed trails and restored habitat.
- Oxbow Park (Georgetown Park)** — Developed a new neighborhood park at S Carleton Avenue S and Corson Avenue S, also the new site for the Hat 'N' Boots landmarks.
- Puget Boulevard Commons** — Improved the boulevard and developed the park to include passive and active recreational elements.
- Roxhill Park** — Restored the wetlands and added trails and interpretive signage.
- Schmitz Park** — Improved the park, including creek daylighting, entry improvements, habitat restoration and reforestation.
- Solstice Park (Lincoln Park Annex)** — Redeveloped and renovated the Annex with a new viewpoint and trails.
- Southwest Community Center** — Developed a computer lab and a teen center within an existing community center room.
- Sylvan Way** — Original target site developed with housing; project savings enabled purchases totaling over an acre in the nearby Longfellow Creek Natural Area.
- Westcrest Park** — Improved trails, off-leash area and other park features, including a new play area.
- West Duwamish Greenbelt** — Acquired 10 acres to connect existing green space and wildlife habitat; potential additional green space acquisitions.
- West Seattle Stadium** — Improved the stadium for a variety of uses, including track and field.

- Amy Yee Tennis Courts — Opportunity Fund** — Reconstructed existing outdoor tennis courts and built two new courts.
- Bradner Gardens** — Renovated the site's building into an eco-friendly meeting space with restrooms.
- Brighton Playfield and Science Park — Opportunity Fund** — Provided elements at playfield to promote science learning, activities and appreciation, in cooperation with adjacent Aki Kurose Middle School.
- Cheasty Boulevard** — Improved Cheasty Boulevard, including pedestrian pathway, drainage, landscaping and other amenities.
- Chief Sealth Trail** — Completed trail improvements and connections.
- Columbia Park** — Improved the park by enhancing landscaping and other park amenities.
- East Duwamish Greenbelt** — A .8-acre property was donated, and two sites totaling .6 acre were purchased to connect existing green space.
- Genesee Playfield** — Field improvements included drainage, artificial surface and lighting.
- Graham Hill School Playground — Opportunity Fund** — Supported improvements to the school's playground.
- Hitt's Hill Park — Opportunity Fund** — Supported improvements to the recently acquired open space; added native planting and a trail.
- Jefferson Park Expansion (Beacon Reservoir)** — Completed site plan for the park, including Seattle Public Utilities property; most park improvements will be constructed after the covering of the site's reservoir.
- Jefferson Park Pathway** — Constructed new walking/jogging path around the 9-hole golf course.
- Jefferson Park Tennis Courts** — Construct two tennis courts.
- Jimi Hendrix Park (Colman School Parking Lot)** — Improved the parking lot adjacent to the former school and provided a landscape connection to Sam Smith Park.
- John C. Little, Sr. Park (37th Avenue S Park)** — Improved the park in cooperation with the Seattle Housing Authority.
- Kubota Garden** — Improved ADA access, drainage, irrigation, landscaping and pathways.

- Kubota Garden Natural Area** — Two sites acquired to connect existing green space and protect Mapes Creek watershed.
- Lake Washington Boulevard** — Improve boulevard landscaping and pathway.
- Mapes Creek Walkway — Opportunity Fund** — Support improvements to the pathway in the Rainier Beach community.
- Maple School Ravine** — Potential acquisitions to connect existing green space.
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Park** — Improved the park including sanctuary seating, pathways, parking and picnic area and landscaping.
- Rainier Beach Public Plaza** — Developed a public gathering place at the NW corner of Rainier and Henderson in conjunction with Seattle School District.
- Rainier Playfield** — Developed the trails to fields and improved the landscaping.
- Seward Park Annex** — Renovated the annex building for the Seward Park Audubon Center and improve hatchery site.
- Van Asselt Site Recreation Improvements — Opportunity Fund** — Built a new play area in coordination with renovation of adjacent community center.
- York Park** — Acquired site on Renton Ave. S. near S. Charlestown St. and developed into a neighborhood park.



The new water spray feature at John C. Little Sr. is irresistible on a summer's day.