



# ENHANCING& PROTECTING STAMFORD'S PARKS

A Community Partnership for Open Spaces





# Who We Are

The Stamford Parks Community
Partnership (SPCP) is a 501(c)(3)
nonprofit created to secure private
funding for Stamford's parks, ensuring
their vitality for generations to come.

# What is a City Park Conservancy?

"Conservancies are private, nonprofit park-benefit organizations that raise money independent of the city and spend it under a plan of action mutually agreed upon with the government."

PUBLIC SPACES, PRIVATE MONEY

The Trust for Public Land

## Mission & Vision





## **MISSION**

SPCP's mission is to partner with the City of Stamford to enhance, protect, and sustain the city's parks and open spaces through strategic funding and community engagement.

## **VISION**

Our vision is a thriving, equitable, and sustainable park system where every Stamford resident has access to beautiful, well-maintained green spaces.

## How SPCP Was Formed



#### • 2022

The City of Stamford launched a comprehensive Parks Strategic Plan to revitalize the city's park system.

#### MARCH 2024

The Stamford Parks
Community Partnership
(SPCP) was established as a
501(c)(3) nonprofit, with the
goal of securing private
funding and community
engagement for Stamford's
parks.

#### MAY 2024

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SPCP launched its inaugural Adopt-a-Spot program, engaging residents and businesses in maintaining and beautifying neighborhood parks.

#### EARLY 2023

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A Transition Committee was formed to explore the creation of a new nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting the city's parks.

#### APRIL 2024

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SPCP's Board of Directors was appointed, drawing from local community leaders, philanthropists, and park advocates.

# **Board of Directors**

#### **Executive Committee**





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# **Guiding Principles of SPCP**



#### SUSTAINABILITY

Committing to environmentally responsible practices that preserve and enhance Stamford's parks and green spaces for the long term.

## EQUITY

Ensuring that all Stamford residents, regardless of their neighborhood or socioeconomic status, have access to high-quality, well-maintained parks and recreational facilities.

## COLLABORATION

Partnering with the City of Stamford, local businesses, community organizations, and other stakeholders to leverage resources and expertise in support of park revitalization efforts.

#### TRANSPARENCY

Upholding the highest standards of openness and accountability in all funding decisions, project management, and community engagement activities.

# What We Do: Our Core Programs

## BEAUTIFY

#### **Adopt-a-Spot Program:**

Engage community volunteers to beautify and maintain smaller green spaces throughout Stamford, including street medians, traffic circles, and neighborhood parks.

## ENHANCE

#### Adopt-a-Park Program:

Partner with local businesses, organizations, and residents to fund and execute significant improvements to Stamford's flagship parks, such as new playgrounds, sports facilities, and landscaping.

## **FACILITATE**

#### Major Gifts Program:

Secure large-scale donations from philanthropists, corporations, and foundations to finance transformative park projects, ensuring Stamford's green spaces remain vibrant and accessible for all.





# Partnerships & Collaborations

SPCP works with the City of Stamford, local businesses, community organizations, and national foundations to support park initiatives. **CORPORATE PARTNER** 

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# Help Us Safeguard Stamford's Parks

Your support will help preserve, enhance, and beautify Stamford's parks, creating a lasting legacy for future generations. Together, we can ensure every resident has access to thriving, well-maintained green spaces.

Learn more at ourstamfordparks.org





