Voters approved a \$100 million bond, and, over the next eight years, generous private, civic, and philanthropic partners raised an additional \$125 million to establish a continuous ribbon of green with 3000 acres of greenspace and 150 miles of safe, interconnected trails along Houston's bayous.



WEST FORK SAN JACINTO

301 Studewood Street

Named after the initiative transforming Houston's major bayous, this park represents the fulfillment of a century-old vision for Houston's bayous and parks, and a major public/private initiative completed with the support of the Citizens of Houston who championed *ParksByYou*!



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PARK FEATURES

At 1.47 acres, Bayou Greenways Park is framed by native woodland on the southwest and a majestic line of sycamore trees along the northeast, and a broad grass knoll that rises gently to a height more than 50 feet above the nearby White Oak Bayou channel. This high prospect offers dramatic views of the Houston skyline and the surrounding landscape.

GABION BRIDGE

The Gabion Bridge pathway leads visitors into the park from the North Gateway. A gabion is a wirework container filled with rock, broken concrete, or other material. The Gabion Bridge is lined on the outside with reclaimed historic Houston bricks. Along the bridge, a metalwork railing incorporates Bayou Greenways 2020 donor names on the top, with metal medallions inscribed with donor names attached to the railing below.

PLAZA

At the top of the path, just under the crest of the hill, overlooking the bayou is the Plaza. A map of the Bayou Greenways 2020 system is etched into the pavers of the plaza, with metal landmark discs marking the major parks along each bayou. From there, park visitors can walk up to the open, grassy high-point of the site for stunning 360 degree views.

OVERLOOK

A wooden deck with seating overlooks White Oak Bayou Greenway. Here also, the metalwork railing incorporates leading Bayou Greenways 2020 donor names on the top.

BOARDWALK

Below the Overlook a Boardwalk takes visitors to a quiet, protected, shaded area for views along White Oak Bayou.

KINDER FOUNDATION MEADOW

A beautiful meadow in the center of the park draws visitors to picnic, toss a ball or just relax in the sun.

POETRY PANELS

The poem *City Streams* by Martha Serpas is represented in multiple panels and reflects upon the bayous and nature in an urban environment.