

LEGACY PROJECT

Top Twenty-Five Accomplishments Since May 2, 1994 Department of Parks and Parkways

(1) Joe W. Brown Memorial Park	\$587,000	Joe W. and Dorothy Dorsett Brown Foundation Grant Parkway Partners Parks and Parkways	New picnic pavilions Bicycle/Pedestrian path lagoon aerators
	(2002)	Operating Budget	Painted/Repaired shelters/Concession Building
(2) West End Park	\$1,000,000 (1995)	Capital Project	New picnic pavilion Drainage Improvements Arbor/Paved Walkways
	(2001/2002)	Operating Budget	Painted/Repaired Arbor/pavilion/lamppost
(3) Pontchartrain Park Joseph M. Bartholomew Golf Course	\$ 350,000 (1999)	Capital Project	Renovation of Concession Building. New irrigation pumping system for course
	\$ 29,500 (2001)	Operating Budget	Renovated putting green/Replaced fence and signage
	\$ 850,000 (2001)	Capital Project	Renovate tees, greens, clubhouse

Pontchartrain Park
Joseph M. Bartholomew Golf
Course continued.

	\$ 1,000,000 2001		Build Senior /Tennis Center
	2001/2002		Development of 1 st Tee New Orleans and 1 st Tee Louisiana, Jr. Golf Program
(4) Parkway Nursery	\$1,600,000 ()	Capital Project	Administration Annex building renovated, three grounds maintenance buildings replaced
(5) Bienville Place Park	\$ 340,000	Capital Project	New park in French Quarter - relocated statue from Union Passenger Terminal, landscaping, lighting, walkways
(6) Mississippi River Heritage Park	\$ 1,600,000 (1999)	Capital Project	New park in Warehouse District - landscaping, fencing, walkways, lighting
(7) Monuments: The Source	\$ 104,000 (1995)	Capital Project	Sculpture - World's Fair installed at Elk's Place
Mayor's Basin Street Task Force	\$ (Feb. 2000)	French Market Corp Parkway Partners Port of New Orleans Downtown Dev. District Dept. of Parks and Parkways Mayor's Office of Intl. Rel. St. Martin's School	Repairs and refurbishment of Simon Bolivar, Benito Juarez and Francisco Morazan and Vietnamese Monuments with flags, landscaping, stones, lighting, new banners

DeSaix Circle	\$ (2001/2000)	Arts Council/Department of Parks and Parkways	% for Art - Sprit House by John Scott and Martin Payton
Monuments continued. . .			
Lafayette Square	\$ (2001)	Monumental Task Force	Refurbished Benjamin Franklin and Henry Clay
Lafayette Square	\$ (2002)	Hungarian Consulate/Int. Relations, Parks and Parkways	Monument to honor visit to N. O. of Louis Kossuth in 1852
Mayor's Task Force Mississippi River Heritage Park	\$ (2002)	Mexican Consulate/Office Intl. Relations, S&WB, Dept. of Parks and Parkways, Dept. of Property Management.	Fountain donated by the City of Queretaro, Mexico (maintenance endowment in development)
Mississippi River Heritage Park	\$ 180,000 (2002)	Ernest N. Morial Exhibition Hall Authority Arts Council, Department of Parks and Parkways	% For Art commitment Third Phase project
Martin Luther King Monument Area	\$ 50,000 (2002)	Parks and Parkways Wisner Grant	Redesigned walkways, landscaping, benches
(8) Brechtel Memorial Golf Course	(1995)	Operating Budget	Instituted automatic controls for course irrigation system
	\$ 15,000 (1999)	Operating Budget	Putting greens renovated
	(1999)		Cost Benefit Analysis - reversed decision to privatize - revised contracts
	\$ 850,000 (2002)	Capital Project	Clubhouse renovation Golf Cart and Course shed renovation
(9) Laurence Square	\$ 800,000 (2000)	Capital Project	Replaced play equipment Relocated basketball court,

			Renovated fencing, landscaping, improved drainage, benches and fountains
(10) Burke Park (Formerly Clay Square)	\$ 600,000 (2001)	Capital Project	Renovation in Irish Channel, replaced play equipment, repaired fencing, major tree work, grading, benches, landscaping and drainage
(11) Equipment Purchases	\$ 750,000 (1995) (1998-2002)	Equipment Budget	Mowing equipment Computers/Laptop Digital cameras Stinger/Pick up trucks/ Street Sweeper/SUVs Greens & Tee Box mowers
(12) Coliseum Square	\$ 325,000 (2002)	Capital Project	Renovations to Garden District Park, lighting, paving, benches, ADA issues, fountain assistance
	(2002)	Operating Budget	Repainted park fixtures
(13) City Wide Tree Planting	\$ 48,000 (1996)	Plant-a-Tree Trust Fund	FEMA reimbursed most of cost - 1995 storm - 280 trees Locations: Elysian Fields, Wall Berhrman Park, Joe Brown Park, Pontchartrain Park, S. Claiborne, Broad
Total \$316,200 1,492 trees planted			
	\$ 113,000 (1997/1998)	Plant-a-Tree Trust Fund	512 trees; Locations: So. Claiborne, Argonne, Elysian Fields, St. Charles
	\$ 85,200 (1999/2000)	Plant-a-Tree Trust Fund	420 Trees: Live Oak, So. Magnolia, Crape Myrtle, Bald Cypress, Willow Oak, Savannah Holly, Green Ash and Chinese Pastiche; Locations: Milne, Harrison, Filmore, Washington,
City Wide Tree Planting continued . . .			

			M. L. King, Gen. Meyer, Opelousas, Eton, Prentiss, Pasteur, Cameron, Vermillion, Tupelo, Caffin, N. Broad.
	\$ 70,000 (2001/2002)	Plant-a-Tree Trust Fund	280 trees; Sawtooth, Cow, Live and Cherrybark Oaks, Winged Elms, Chinese Fringe, Catalpas, Crape Myrtles, Sabal Palms, Green Ash, Bald Cypress; Locations: S & N. Claiborne, Broadway, Earhart, Rampart, St. Anthony, Poland, Elysian Fields, Michoud, Lake Forest.
	1998	Parks and Parkways	Landscape Architects provided a prioritized listing of neutral grounds and parks in need of trees in order to effectively and efficiently utilize resources
(14) Brechtel Memorial Park	(2001)	AEDF/TLW/ARTinA/P&P AEDF/AIA/LSLA/P&P Georgia Pacific	Art Can contest initiated over 100 cans painted Master Plan completed - Design Charette Timber Management Plan
	\$ 50,000 (2001) (Partial)	Urban Bird Treaty Grant Parks and Parkways/Mayor's Office of Intergovernmental Relations	Urban Bird Treaty Three Information kiosk installed, natures trails expanded, four Birding Seminars held
Brechtel Memorial Park Continued . . .			
	\$ 90,835	Land, Water Conservation	Playground equipment

	(2001)	Fund Grant Parks and Parkways	
	(2001)	Parks and Parkways Operating Budget	Painted bridges over lagoons
(15) Louis Armstrong Park	\$1,000,000 (2001/2002)	Parks and Parkways Capital Project	Louis Armstrong statue refurbished; Master Plan developed in conjunction with National Park Service and WWOZ Design Charette/Leases
	(2001)	Operating Budget	Repainted/Repaired Benches/etc.
	(Feb. 2001)		Programming of park transferred to Department of Parks and Parkways from Property Management
(16) Forestry Improvements	\$ 20,000 (July 2000) #00-NORL-P	Forestry Grant to Parks and Parkways from LA Department of Agriculture and Forestry	To complete the tree inventory, GIS/Arc View Training and internship
	\$ 13,098 (July 2001) #01-NOTRL-P	Forestry Grant to Parks and Parkways from LA Department of Agriculture and Forestry	To complete the tree inventory, training and internship
	(2001)	City Green Software from Environmental Affairs	Calculations of benefits based on tree inventory
	1996-2001 Statistics	Work Orders Completed	10,401
		Tree Trimmed	13,793
		Trees Removed	4,745
		Letters Received	13,763
		Work Orders Generated	8,703
		Trees Added	14,903
		Permits Issued	1,544

Forestry Improvements
continued . . .

		Emergencies Worked	7,251
	April 20, 2002	Earth Day w/Office of Environmental Affairs Parks and Parkways	Information, food, ARTCan, Displays, Activities - Joe W. Brown Memorial Park
(17) Tree Seminar	March 21, 2002	Tree Seminar w/LSU Ag and LA Arborist Association Parks and Parkways	Speakers: John Ball, Charles Fryling, Jr. and Ed Freytag - Armstrong Park
(18) Landscaping Projects	\$ 39,000 (2000)	NCR/Parks and Parkways	Chef Menteur - Phase I 72 palms
	\$ 48,000 (2000)	NCR/Parks and Parkways	Chef Menteur - Phase II 150 Cypress/pine
	\$ 86,000 (1999/2000)	NCR/Parks and Parkways	Crowder and Read - 165 date palms, 86 sable palms, 128 crape myrtles, eight plant beds
	\$ 95,000 (2001-2002)	NCR/Parks and Parkways	
	\$ 4,000 (2000)	NCR/Parks and Parkways	Crowder and Read
	\$ 700 (2001)		
	\$ 10,000 (1996)	Hibernia Bank/Parks and Parkways	A. P. Tureaud - 5 trees and shrub beds
	\$ 100,000 (2002)	Entergy/Parks and Parkways	N. Claiborne - 60 trees, 8 large shrub beds
	\$ 2,000 (2002)		Orleans, Elysian Fields and Tulane Avenue I-10 ramps 147 trees & 3 shrub beds
	\$ 0- (2002)	Parks and Parkways	So. Rampart Street - 9 holly trees and 2 shrub beds
	\$ 1,723 (1998/1999)	Friends of the Library/Parks and Parkways	Cleveland Ave. down ramp - crape myrtle trees
	\$ 808+	Parks and Parkways	Main library - trees, roses and seasonal color
Landscaping Project continued . . .			Loyola and Poydras Street
	(1998/2002)		

	T-21 Funds (2002)	I-10/I-610 Gateway Beautification and Barrier Walls/Public Works/Parks and Parkways	landscaping projects Overall more trees added than removed
	Jazzland Paid for materials/Parkways installed (1999)	Jazzland Theme Park/ Parks and Parkways	Lake Forest Blvd. - 2 shrub beds and sod on neutral ground/cleaned lots and I-10 exits
	Treme Villa paid for materials/Parkways installed (1999)	Treme Villa Department of Parks and Parkways	Landscaping/cleaning beds
	(1994-2002)	Maintained over 65,000 plants annually in greenhouse Added concrete borders at Loyola to reduce hand weeding	
(19) Partners:			
Cancer Survivor's Park	\$1,000,000 (1995)	Richard and Annette Bloch Foundation/Grant; Parkway Partners/Parks and Parkways	New park in CBD; maintenance endowment for repairs to structures, electrical
AIDS Monument	\$ 100,000 (1998/2002)	AIDS Monument; Private Funds Committee/Parkway Partners Cooperative Endeavor Agreement	Bounded by Decatur, N. Peters on Esplanade Ave.
Upriver Greenway Project	\$ 120,000 TEA-21 Funds (TIP) \$ 20,000 Parkway Partners (1999-2031)	Cooperative Endeavor Agreement Parkway Partners/Parks and Parkways	Feasibility Study - Riverfront Park from Ernest N. Morial Convention Center to Jackson Avenue
Parkway Partners continued . . .			
First City Parks Forum	\$ 25,000	Parkway Partners/Parks and	Kid's Café' Garden located at the

Parkways/City Parks Forum Grant of the American Planning Assoc. WDSU News Channel 6, 2nd Harvesters Food Bank, Neighborhood Gallery corner of O. C. Haley Blvd. In Central City. Received National recognition for excellence in community gardening from the John Deere Foundation

Palmer Park
Annunciation Square
Washington Square \$ 750,000
(1998)

Lila Wallace Readers' Digest Grant; Cooperative Endeavor Agreement
Renovations and upgrades to existing parks

Annunciation Square \$ 100,000
(2001)

LWCF Grant - Annunciation Square to the City of New Orleans; Cooperative Endeavor Agreement
To assist with the match for the Lila Wallace Grant

Jackson Square

\$ 60,000
(2000/2002)

Parkway Partners/New Orleans Town Gardeners
New Orleans Town Gardeners raised over \$60K to pay for the DeGaulle fountain renovation; Parkway Partners replaced wrought iron and painted broken fiberglass sections of the fencing

Jackson Square

\$
(1995)

Parkway Partners/Jackson Square Partners
Refurbished monument and 4 marble statues; replaced missing and broken sections of fence.

Lee Circle

\$
(1997/1998)

Parkway Partners/P. Taylor
Refurbished monument

Simon Bolivar
\$
(July, 1998)

Parkway Partners/DDD
Refurbished statue of Simon Bolivar, replaced brick coping and marble facia and inscription plaque, flags/poles

Parkways Partners continued. . .

replaced/repared, steam cleaned surfaces, plantings

Parkways Partners

Parkway Partners/Department of Parks and Parkways

Volunteers cut grass, plant, water, weed and pick up litter in parks and on neutral grounds

Margaret Haughery

\$
(1999)

Parkway Partners/Coliseum Square Association

Refurbishment of statue, landscaping

Molly Marine

\$
(1999)

Molly Marine Restoration Soc./Parkway Partners/DDD

Refurbishment of statue landscaping

Community Gardens

(1994/2002)

152 gardens cultivated by volunteers

Save Our Trees

(1994/2002)

Parkway Partners/Department of Parks and Parkways

15,500 trees fertilized, sprayed for Buckmoth caterpillars

Urban Tree Project

(2001)

LDAF, Parkway Partners/Wisner Foundation/Department of Parks and Parkways

Over 600 trees to be provided free to citizens to be planted in public spaces

DDD

In Kind
(2001/2002)

DDD/Parks and Parkways

Ongoing relationship to maintain and beautify co-sponsor Wednesdays at Lafayette Square 13 - week concert series; tree trimming

(2002)

Landscaping by DDD Howard, Girod, Diamond

YLC

\$ 137,985.12
State (2000/2002)
\$ 7,262.38
City
\$ 34,200.00
YLC

YLC/Parks and Parkways State DOTD; T-21 Funds

Cooperative Endeavor Agreement developed for initial portions of landscaping project from airport to I-510 (three sites - Pont. Exp. & I-510)

(20) Special Projects

Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance (CZO) Master Plan - Open Space Parks and Recreation	(2001/2002)	City Planning/NORD Parks and Parkways	Master plan developed; city wide zoning ordinance revised
RTA	Canal Street Car Project Desire Street Car Project	In progress	Overall more trees added than removed
St. Thomas/Desire/Industrial Canal Navigation Lock Project Developments	Corps of Engineers (2000 - present)	Rebuilding Projects	Overall more trees added than removed/added green spaces maintenance by developer
Mayor's Lien Task Force	Initiated 1999 Ongoing	DHND/Parks and Parkways/Safety Permit	Greatly improved process Blight Busters
Mayor's Swimming Task Force	Initiated 11/22/99 by Executive Order MHM-99-013 Ongoing	Pont. Basin Foundation/NORD/Parks and Parkways	Planning - opening Lake Pontchartrain for swimming
Hurricanes/Tropical Storms	1995 (May 8 th) (1998 - 1999) (June 2001) \$11,621.85	Storm/Flood Hurricane George Tropical Storm Francis Tropical Storms Allison/Barry (+866 overtime hours; tree emergencies = 360)	Removed 485 trees/1108 trees damaged Efficiently and effectively cleaned storm debris, removed fallen trees from city street and devised coordinated plan with other departments/utilities to better respond to storm
Special Projects continued . . .			
Louisiana Formosan Termite Task Force	\$5M funded by the State (2000)	Parks and Parkways/Mos. and Termite Control and others	Developed strategies to educate the public and address this critical threat; trees treated on public ROWS
Operation Crew Cut	(2000) \$50,000 (2001)	Parks and Parkways	Emergency hiring 111 persons Emergency contracts to cut 19

neutral grounds, 28 parks and 20 vacant city owned lots

Major efforts in beautification, landscaping, cleanup

Several fish placed on public ROWS

Louisiana Garden Club Federation; placed 3rd State Level/1st Division Level

Award Received

20th year from the National Arbor Day Foundation, Received five famous and historic trees as part of Louisiana's Millennium Grove of Trees

Since 1999, annual, joint training sessions held for tree contractors

Developed a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Entergy to receive a 3-person crew on loan for 16 weeks annually in lieu of a \$25.00 fee per inspection of tree work.

Completed test of Circuit 1921 to review clearances

Parks and Parkways assumed the

Superbowl
Mardi Gras(/SIFS)
Strategic Inspection Force

1997/2002
Annually

Festival of Fins (2001)

YLC

(21) Awards Received

Cleanest City Contest (2000)

Coordinated by Parks and Parkways

NOMC - Pegasus Cable Access Award (2001)

Public Service Announcement - Trees

Tree City U. S.A. Designation (2000)

Parks and Parks

(22) Entergy Partnerships \$

Entergy Parkway and Parkways

Entergy Partnerships \$ 40,000
Continued. . . In kind value

Entergy/
Parks and Parkways

(23) State DOTD Partnership \$ 30,800

State DOTD

Effective July 2000/Annual
reimbursement contract

task of maintaining 7.75 miles of
Chef Menteur Highway in N. O.
East in order to improve the
quality of care from Downman Rd.
to Industrial Parkway

(24) Cost Savings, Efficiencies and Training

(5/98 - Present)

Developed and implemented a strategic plan for the Department
Revised and refined productivity reporting for Grounds Maintenance crews
Centralized purchasing
Revised Departmental Rules
Modified planting designs to utilize more perennials requiring less manpower and materials
Reorganized Grounds Maintenance Section to achieve geographic accountability
Reorganized Facilities Maintenance from Administration to Operations and developed a new
tracking and reporting system
Revised Emergency Procedures
Audits completed for Lot Department
Lot Department transferred 6/99; 1998/1999 completed over 300 lien removal reports and
revised monitoring and reporting procedures
Eliminated Tree and Plant Sale - saved \$25K annually and significant man-hours
Revised tracking for Construction projects under Department of Public Works and DOTD
projects
Revised Tree Guidelines
Developed standards of dress for Department
Revised uniforms for field personnel
Revised Winter Work process
Twelve computers purchased; Division Chiefs provided with computers to track personnel
and equipment
Revised Departmental Drug Testing Policy
Implemented Departmental Focus Groups
Developed charts and reporting systems to improve internal controls and accountability for
overtime, petty cash, park and shelter rentals, absences, forestry statistics, signs,
turnover,

Cost Savings, Efficiencies and Training
continued. . .

Power point presentations developed for Department
 Web page developed for Department and process implemented for updating
 Obtained Internet access for key staff members
 Nextel, expenses, projects, and inventory
 Updated Departmental communications through the acquisition of Nextel cell phones/two way radios and pagers
 Twelve computers purchased; Division Chiefs provided with computers to track personnel and equipment
 Developed RFP for park concessions.
 Significant cost saving achieved over \$5K annually for auto allowances
 Increase Revenues for golf courses and park rentals
 Developed Guidelines for neutral grounds planting 7/9/99
 Revised Guidelines for signs 9/30/99

(5/1998 - Present) 10 persons have attended Horticultural Classes at Delgado Community College, Louisiana Plant Materials Conference, ISA Conference and Trade Show, National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA), Urban Parks Institute, Tree Appraisal in the 21st Century, Pesticide License, New Employees Orientation, Heat Exhaustion, CDL, Chain Saw/Stringer usage, Effect. Crisis Intervention SHRM, Grant Writing, Grant Technical Assistance, Computer Courses, ARCVIEW, GIS, Security, LACHIP, Home Buyer Assistance Program, Investment Programs, Benefits Programs, FEMA Emergency Management Training

(25) Community Involvement
 Present)

(5/1998 -

Action list developed to track questions and responses related to community meetings, Cooperative Endeavor Agreements for major landscaping projects completed with Lakeview Civic Improvement Association, Seabrook Neighborhood Association, Lakeshore Property Owner's Association, Faubourg St. John Neighborhood Association, Park Timbers Neighborhood Association, Lake Vista Property Owners Association, Lake Terrace Property Owners Association, Sunken Gardens Attended meetings of Mirabeau Gardens Neighborhood Association
 St. Gabriel's ACT, Holy Ghost ACT, St. David's ACT, Gentilly Heights, St. Peter Claver ACT; Gentilly Gardens Neighborhood Watch New Orleans East Economic Development Foundation (NOEDF), Algiers Economic Development Foundation (AEDF); Participated in Summer Youth Programs, Covenant House New Orleans, Horticultural Training Program, restitution programs

Cost Savings, and Training Efficiencies continued. . .

Faubourg Marigny Improvement Association
Palm-Air Civic Association
Baronne Street Neighborhood Association,
Pontilly Neighborhood Association
St. Patrick's Day Festival Committee
Castle Manor Neighborhood Watch
Irish Channel Neighborhood Association
A. P. Tureaud Community Planning Project
East New Orleans Neighborhood Summit
Freret Street Merchant's Association
NOBID
Fannie Mae
Poland Avenue Revitalization
Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Louisiana
Town Hall Meetings - All Council Districts
Treme Community
Algiers Development District
Algiers Neighborhood Council of Presidents
New Orleans Public Schools
Holy Cross Neighborhood Association
Tamborine & Fan, Inc.
Neighborhood Housing Services
Oak Island Subdivision