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Parks, Recreation & Waterfront
Capital Projects Update

City of Berkeley

South Cove West Lot Parking & Dock Improvements Ribbon Cutting

We're excited to share several important improvements at the Berkeley Waterfront!

Renovations at the [South Cove West Parking Lot](#) include the installation of a new storm water treatment system, along with enhanced safety features designed to significantly improve both vehicle and pedestrian circulation. These upgrades include new traffic islands, wheel stops, safety striping, and updated signage to create a safer and more accessible environment for everyone.

At the [South Cove East Dock](#), critical pier piling repairs have restored the structural integrity of the timber piles, strengthening the dock and allowing it to safely reopen to recreational users.

The [South Cove Middle Dock ADA gangway float](#), originally repaired in 2024, sustained irreparable damage during recent storm events and was

closed in late 2024. A new replacement float was installed, and the Middle ADA Dock has now reopened to the public.

We look forward to celebrating these improvements with residents and visitors at the Berkeley Waterfront and continuing to enhance this special community space for all to enjoy. Please join us **April 2, 2026, at 11 am** at the [South Cove West parking lot the for a ribbon cutting](#) and light refreshments.



South Cove West Parking Lot Improvements

South Adeline Improvements: Dog Park, Landscaping Improvements and Miyawaki Forest

These projects introduce landscaping improvements to beautify and activate the South Adeline area. Improvements include new planting and irrigation, decorative boulders, a new drinking fountain, benches, fencing, a dedicated dog area, and ADA improvements. The area of work is along Adeline Street, from the intersection with MLK Jr Way toward Alcatraz Ave. Approximate area of improvements is highlighted in red on the map.



Adelline Street Landscape map area & Miyawaki Forest Tree Planting

Miyawaki Forest has been completed and construction for the dog park and landscape began in March 2026 and will take approximately 3 months to complete, depending on weather or unforeseen conditions. Standard work hours are 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday.

Willard Clubhouse Public Art Unveiling (Follow Up)



New Willard Clubhouse Mosaic Art - Enchanted Forest

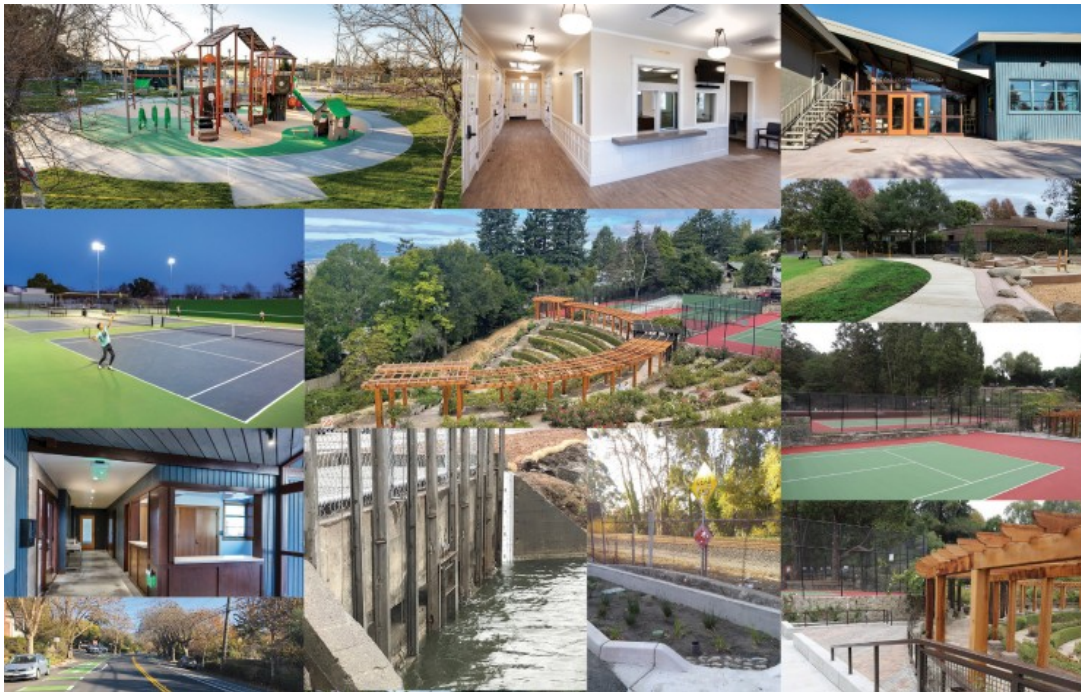
If you missed the unveiling of the new artwork at the Willard Clubhouse on February 11th, you need to visit and view the Enchanted Forest, by artist Julie W. Chang, a mural that draws inspiration from Berkeley's flora and fauna and the history of Willard Park as a beloved gathering space.

The unveiling was paired with an exciting milestone for the building, making this a celebration of both art and environmental stewardship. As the City of Berkeley's first all-electric municipal building, the Willard Clubhouse exceeded its design goal of LEED Silver and achieved LEED Gold certification for its energy efficiency, reduced environmental impact, and commitment to occupant health and comfort.

This welcoming community space is a new all-electric milestone for Berkeley's portfolio of sustainably designed municipal buildings. The project uses on-site solar power and battery storage to support the city's climate action goals and has been honored with an award for Outstanding Facility by the California Parks and Recreation Society's District 3. Congratulations!

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PRW Capital Projects Team



Completed Capital Projects

The City of Berkeley manages Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) across the city to modernize aging facilities, improve accessibility, meet current safety standards, and support evolving community needs. Investments in park and facility improvements help strengthen recreational programming, protect neighborhood vitality, and build our shared social infrastructure.

The Department of Parks, Recreation & Waterfront (PRW) leads its own Capital Improvement Division, made up of three working groups overseeing

projects throughout Berkeley and at the City's residential camps in Tuolumne, Sonoma, and El Dorado counties. PRW projects support parks, recreation centers, pools, sports fields, public restrooms, open spaces, camps, and the Berkeley Marina and Waterfront.

PRW Capital Projects List

Our work consists of park and facility planning, community engagement, grant acquisition and management, environmental review, design, permitting, bidding, contracting, and construction management.

- [Adeline Street Landscaping Improvements and Dog Park](#)
- [African American Holistic Resource Center](#)
- [Aquatic Park Dreamland Playground Area Improvements](#)
- [Berkeley Marina Dredging Project](#)
- [Berkeley Pier with Ferry Access Project](#)
- [Berkeley Waterfront Bike Park Conceptual Design Project](#)
- [Cedar Rose Park – Age 5-12 Playground Renovation](#)
- [Cedar Rose Park – Age 2-5 Playground Renovation](#)
- [Civic Center Upper Plaza Improvements Project](#)
- [D & E Dock Replacement at the Berkeley Marina](#)
- [F & G Dock Re-Decking](#)
- [Glendale La Loma Park Upper Park Improvements](#)
- [James Kenney Park Skate Spot](#)
- [John Hinkel Park – Scout Hut](#)
- [K Dock Restroom Renovation](#)
- [MLK Jr. Youth Services Center/Y.A.P. Seismic Retrofit and Renovation](#)
- O and K Dock Electrical renovation (project page coming soon)
- [Ohlone Park Restroom and Lighting Improvements](#)
- [Ohlone Park \(East\) Playground Replacement and Site Improvements](#)
- [Santa Fe Trackbed to Park Conversion](#)
- [South Cove East Dock Pier Piling Repairs](#)
- [South Cove West Parking Lot](#)
- [South Cove Middle Dock ADA Ramp Replacement](#)
- Thousand Oaks Park – Play area renovation (project page coming soon)
- [Tom Bates Regional Sports Complex Restroom & Community Space](#)
- [Tuolumne Camp Construction](#)
- [Willard Park Clubhouse and Restroom Replacement Project](#)

Measure T1 Quarterly Updates

Facilities/Buildings

- **African American Holistic Resource Center Project** – Project received Zoning Adjustments Board approval on December 11, 2025. Staff and consultants now working toward final design.
- **MLK Jr. Youth Services Center** – Construction started July 2025. Project completion anticipated in early 2027.

- **Willard Park Clubhouse** – The new Willard Clubhouse was opened in June 2025. Facility is now open and providing various programming from afterschool program, sports and fashion camp, adult disco fitness, and youth chess and parenting circles! To sign up for programming at the new clubhouse, please visit the [City’s Recreation Registration for the Willard Clubhouse](#). To learn more about the building and how to rent the facility, please visit the [City’s Willard Clubhouse Facility webpage](#).
- **South Berkeley Senior Center** – The seismic renovation is in the permitting process. The water heater project had a bid opening last week.
- **1947 Center Street Window Replacement** – Landmarks Preservation Commission process is complete, and the project building permit is approved, next step is to bid project.
- **Fire Station #2** – Construction in progress with tentative completion of April, 2026.
- **Fire Station #6** – Notice to proceed was issued March 23, 2026 - construction in progress.
- **PW Corporation Yard Improvements:**
 - **Green Room & Building H** – Under Construction with tentative completion date of April 2026.
 - **Wash Station** –Work Completed March 2026.

Restrooms

- **Harrison Park Restroom** – Conceptual design completed.
- **Ohlone Park Restroom** – New restroom located by the Ohlone Middlefield was completed and opened to the general public in January 2026.
- **Willard Park Restroom** – The new park restroom was completed and opened to the general public in August 2025.
- **Telegraph/Channing** – Project was completed in January 2025 and grand opening held February 11, 2025.
- **Adeline/Alcatraz** – Conceptual design completed.
- **San Pablo/University** – Conceptual design completed.
- **Telegraph-Channing Parking Garage Restrooms & Elevators** – Construction in progress. Entry and restroom work are complete with construction expected to be completed by May 2026.
- **Cesar Chavez Restroom on Spinnaker** – Conceptual design completed.

Parks

- **Adeline Landscaping Improvements** – Construction in progress. Anticipated completion by June 2026.
- **Civic Center Park Upper Plaza Improvements** – Project completed and re-opened in August 2025.
- **Santa Fe Trackbed to Park Conversion** – Phase 1 (site remediation) anticipated to begin this Spring with Phase 2 (park construction) anticipated to start in the Fall of 2026.
- **Grove Park Field Renovation** – Project complete.
- **Grove Park 2-5 & 5-12 Playground Renovation** – Project complete.

- **John Hinkel Park Playground and Amphitheater Improvements** – Project
- **King Pool Tile and Plaster Replacement** – Project complete.
- **Ohlone Park (East) Playground Replacement and Site Improvements** – Project complete.
- **Ohlone Park Lighting** – Installation of dark sky compliant light fixtures at existing dark areas along the main pathway and bollard lights by the dog park entrance at Grant Street is complete.
- **Tom Bates Sports Complex Restroom/Community Space** – Construction contract was awarded by City Council on December 2, 2025. Construction is anticipated to start in late spring 2026 with completion mid-2027.

Waterfront

- **Replacement of Docks D & E at the Berkeley Marina** – Phase 1 of Construction (in-water demolition of docks) was completed in November. Phase 2 landside and waterside improvements are in construction. Waterside improvements such as new dock floats, piles, and dock accessories are complete. Installation of Electrical and Fire Suppression utility connections are being coordinated with PG&E and EBMUD with completion anticipated in late Summer 2026.
- **K Dock Restroom** – Construction contract was awarded by City Council on November 18, 2025. Construction is in progress with completion expected mid 2026.
- **Marina Pilings Replacement** – Project completed.
- **Docks F & G Redecking at the Berkeley Marina** – Project completed.

Streets/Storm/Pathways

FY22 Sidewalk Repair Project – Project complete.

- **Pathway Repairs** – Path repairs have been completed. We are putting the finishing touches on the new Upper Columbia Path, which should be done next April 2026.
- **Bollard Conversion to Landscaping** – Conceptual design complete.
- **Storm Improvements at John Hinkel Park, Marin, Euclid, Spruce, Grizzly Peak, San Benito, High Court and Virginia** – Projects complete.

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