

Low Maintenance Native Plants Native Plantings Promote a Thriving Local Ecology

At David Volz Design we are including more native plants in our public landscape design projects. Careful selection from the many commercially available plant varieties can add beauty and interest to the gardens we create. Some of the benefits we are finding through this practice include:

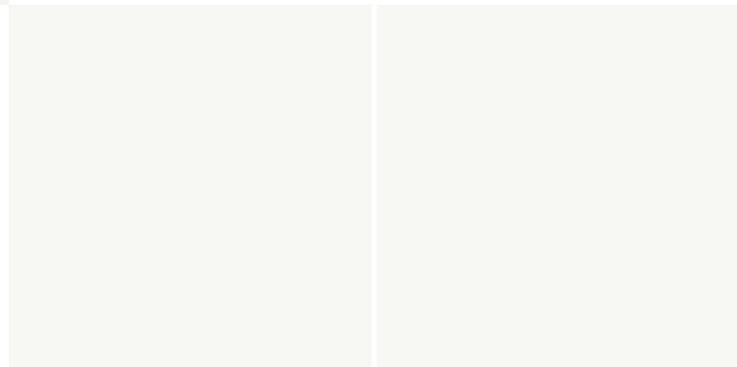
- » Providing habitat for native birds and butterflies
- » New unique and aesthetic design opportunities
- » Nature plants promote local and regional ecosystems
- » Locally found varieties are adapted to existing soil conditions and weather including natives provides opportunities for evaluation and education of the public
- » Many natives use less water, require little fertilizer, and are low maintenance plants



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Vista Park



Admiral Kidd Park

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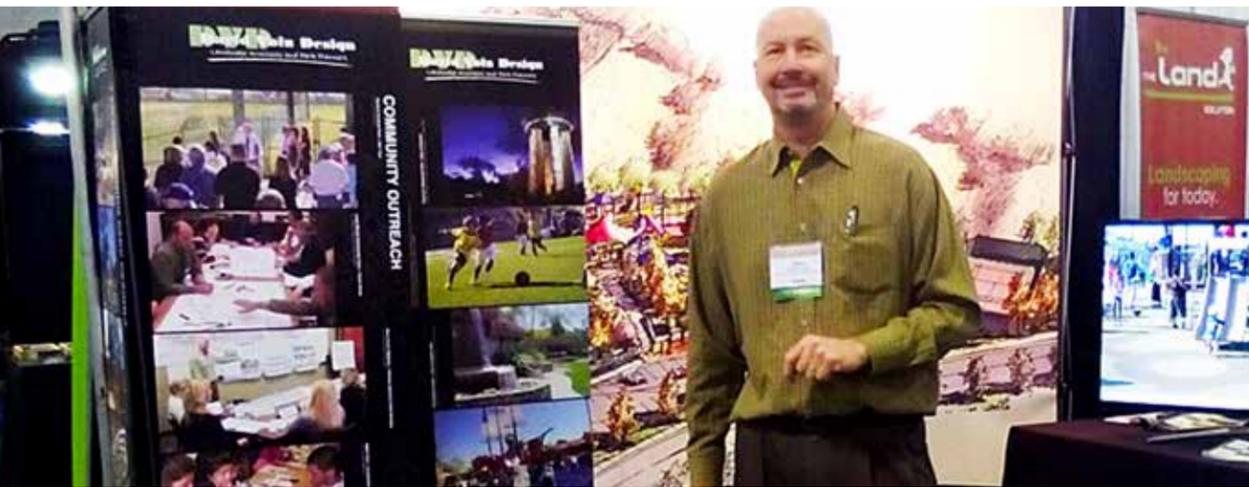


Washington Street Park

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The 2014 CPRS Conference in Ontario was a great success! Hopefully you were able to stop by our booth if you attended the show. The DVD team was able to share stories about the many projects we have under design and construction. Some of the highlights we shared included parks and public landscape improvements in these cities:

DVD currently has more than \$15 million in projects under design and another \$15 million under-construction projects. 2014 is going to be a great year to showcase many of the outstanding landscapes we have designed for local communities and neighborhoods.

- » Anaheim
- » Artesia
- » Costa Mesa
- » Diamond Bar
- » Glendale
- » Huntington Beach
- » Irvine
- » Long Beach
- » Paramount
- » South Gate
- » Stanton
- » Orange
- » Yorba Linda
- » Los Angeles, County
- » Newport Beach
- » Los Angeles, City

PROJECT SPOTLIGHT SOUTH GATE PARK

This venerable public green space is the largest park in the community at nearly 100 acres. Over the past four years, the David Volz Design team worked with the city leaders to creatively design and implement an updated vision for this park. This grand space now features a redesigned sports center campus. The new facilities include a welcoming entry plaza, a beautiful new band shelter for concerts in the park and a shaded outdoor café space. In addition, two new volleyball courts with synthetic turf surfaces add to the wide variety of sports facilities the park has to offer.

A grand park promenade, 16 feet wide, made of multi-cloned block paved weaves through the stately mature tree stands inviting leisurely strolls across the park grounds. For many of the community exercising enthusiasts, there is now a decomposed granite jogging and exercise trail that wraps around the park's perimeter.

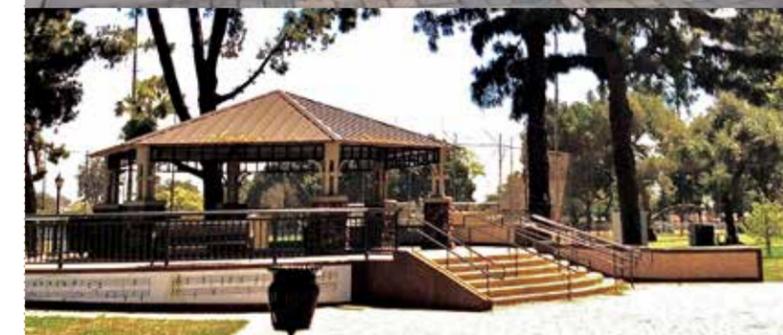
One special feature is the aromatic historic rose garden. It was redesigned and upgraded into a feature garden with a shade trellis and pleasant seating spaces that complement the park's community center building. All the historic rose bushes were rescued and reused in this new well-organized layout.

Phase four of a planned five phase construction sequence to update this park is now complete. The upgrades and enhancements have turned this much used recreation space into a safer, easier to maintain community defining park for all the citizens of South Gate.

If you have an opportunity to visit this newly renovated center piece of the community, don't miss the park-wide art pieces, the serene quiet spaces, the huge family picnic grounds and the many recreation venues of this wonderful facility.



Admerial Kidd Park, City of Long Beach



“ I love this park. It is 1.25 miles walking distance around the park, so it's great for walking. The cool thing is that it has markers so you know what distance you have walked. You will see people walking, playing in the play area, at the basketball courts, in the soccer fields anytime of the day. It's a safe park for this same reason. They have lots of activities for adults and kids. ”

– Terry M, Yelp



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