

Play: Coming Together

Improvements to South Lake Union's three parks are creating unique recreational opportunities:

- **Cascade Playground**, once a bland field barricaded behind 12-foot tall concrete retaining walls, was recently renovated to include an urban forest, meandering creek, wooden footbridge and multiple play areas.
- The Department of Parks and Recreation is working with the South Lake Union community to create a children's play area in **Denny Park**.
- The first phase of development of the new 12-acre **Lake Union Park** began in 2006. This park will provide space for large community gatherings and waterfront access. The plan for the park expands maritime heritage elements by preserving and displaying the boat- and water-related history of the region.

Boating Recreation opportunities on Lake Union include boat rentals from the Center for Wooden Boats, Northwest Outdoor Center, and the Electric Boat Company.



Denny Park

Seattle's oldest park is home to the Department of Parks and Recreation's headquarters.



1880s Denny Park becomes the City's first public park

1920s Cascade Playground purchased

1930s Naval Reserve Center built

1970s Park proposed at the south end of Lake Union between Fairview and Westlake Avenues as part of the Bay Freeway project

2000s Navy conveys its property to the City for the Lake Union Park • Cascade Park renovated • Construction starts on Lake Union Park • Improvements to be made to Denny Park



Lake Union Park The central focus of this new 12-acre urban park will be a wharf and maritime activities, reflecting the area's rich history.

Cascade Playground This playground provides multiple play areas. Adjacent to the park are the Cascade P-Patch and the Cascade People's Center.

