Mill River Park
Mill River Park Collaborative (MRPC) is a 501(c)3 non-profit whose mission is to create and sustain a world-class park in the heart of Stamford.

A 28-acre park and 3-mile greenway to Stamford Harbor has begun to emerge, serving as a catalyst for residential development, corporate and commercial growth, and as a new venue for healthful commuting and active recreation.

We envision Mill River Park as a living classroom to build appreciation for the environment and nature, and to encourage a closer bond between children and families and their environment.
What We Have Accomplished

• River Restoration
• Landscape
• Native habitat restoration
• Programs
• Education
PROJECT 1
Mill River Playground

- 2006 creation of the Mill River Playground on the corner of Tresser Boulevard and West Main Street
- 18,000 bulbs and perennials
- Designed by Stamford children, constructed by 1,500 volunteers

PROJECT 2
River Restoration

- Mill River was restored in 2009
- 2 dams and Mill Pond removed, river now runs freely for the first time in 360 years
- 100-year flood elevations have been lowered by 3 feet in Downtown Stamford
PROJECT 3
Mill River Park

- Completed in 2013
- 12 acres of green space
- Included replacement of all topsoil, landscape design, planting of shrubs and 400 trees
- Largest cherry tree grove in New England with 70 new cherry trees planted
Still to Come

PROJECT 4
The Brownstein/Selkowitz Pavilion
Construction to begin first quarter of 2015
Mill River Pergola & Wave Hills

- Located off the Carousel Pavilion
- Offers great views down the river and across the east side
- Spans over 500 feet
- Received the AIA Connecticut Design Award for 2010 Unbuilt Projects
- Made of Douglas Fir

- Wave Hills are “earth art” on the west side
PROJECT 5

Steven & Alexandra Cohen Ice Skating Center & Fountain

Discovery Center Park Building
• **PROJECT 6**
  - Park extension from Main Street to the old West Stamford Cemetery below Richmond Hill Avenue.

• **PROJECT 7**
  - Greenway North
  - Extension to Scalzi Park
  - Includes creation of an outdoor classroom for Hart Magnet School

• **PROJECT 8**
  - Extension to Pulaski Street on the west side of the river
  - New land acquisition by the City

• **PROJECT 9**
  - Greenway Extension South along the east side of the river
  - Connect to the Harbor Point waterfront esplanade
Successful Programs

- Yoga & Zumba
- Movie nights
- Fun Saturday Mornings

- Hart Magnet School science education
- Mill River Stewards
- Volunteers (thousands of hours)
THE DISCOVERY CENTER
IN MILL RIVER PARK
Building Specs

Rooftop
- Beautiful panoramic view of the Park & downtown Stamford
- 1,623 SF and can hold 255 people
- Includes a bar and will be available for private rentals

Terraces
- There are 4 observation terraces

Singer Learning Center
- A Learning lab & classroom will provide environmental education opportunities for Stamford and lower Fairfield County

Skate Rental
- Ice skates and lessons will be available

Environmental efficiency
- Heat generated from ice making & heat captured from the roof in summer to heat hot water
Designed to Engage the Community

The place to get together, celebrate, relax, and take in the Park’s compelling landscape

- Social hub – restaurant, café, ice skating
- Private parties
- Best views
A Center for Environmental Education

The Discovery Center building will provide a designated space for children and adults to gain exposure to environmental sciences and education. It will be a space for analysis, discussion, and sharing of content between Mill River Park, Stamford Classrooms, and remote educational resources and partners.

The Singer Learning Center

- Summer events & classes
- Programming created in alignment with public school science curricula
Possible Program Expansion

- Expanding 4th grade program
- Partner with AP Environmental Science classes
- Mill River Park Naturalist Competition
- Launch a middle & high school program at the Singer Learning Center
  - Independent Science Research
  - Intersection of Art & Language
- Possible expansion to 6th grade
Mill River Park is our generation’s gift to future generations
Andrew & Michael Whittingham Discovery Center
Building a Legacy

Discovery Center Builders

**NAME HERE**
**DISCOVERY CENTER**


**BUILD**DER recognition beginning at $200,000 with the option to phase payment over a 5-year pledge period

Other naming opportunities in the Discovery Center for Terraces and Rooftop Observation Deck also available
Make a Piece of the Park Yours

There are many other opportunities to make a piece of the Park yours.
THANK YOU!