

Sun Village Park



Concept plan: A revived, multi-generational park anchored with a new community center and pool, a new track and field and creek-side trail for fishing, and kayak, canoe access to Ridley Creek and the Delaware beyond

ARTS
BOAT DOCK
LIGHTS ACTIVE
COLORFUL



Workshop participants gave Viridian "The Buzz," telling their number one priority for the City's park system



Interactive public meetings at local institutions like Boys and Girls Club allowed the whole community, young and old, to participate and tell designers their vision for their parks

City of Chester: Resilience Through Recreation

City Parks, Trails and Open Space Master Plan

The City of Chester has many facets. It is an historic city, a college town, a riverfront community, and most crucially, a community of the future. Despite their economic challenges, they are experiencing recent investment with a new hotel, a soccer stadium, and plans for the East Coast Greenway to route through the city.

Chester's leadership recognizes that every successful city in America has a park and recreation system that serves as: a central gathering place, a point of local pride, a source of health and wellness, and a sanctuary from the stresses of modern life. Realizing that it was time to change their approach, the City of Chester chose Viridian to lead the team that developed Resilience through Recreation, the City of Chester's plan to revitalize their public parks and recreation system.

The community driven master plan guides policy development, delivery of City services, and prioritizes opportunities through a strategic action plan. The plan identifies priority parks as models and funding catalysts.

The Parks and Recreation Department invites everyone who cares about Chester to find their role in making Chester City a great place to love, work, and visit using parks, opens space and safe places to walk and bike as the underpinning of this dream.

Location: Chester, PA
Client: City of Chester
Size: 4.7 square miles
Cost: Non-disclosed
Status: Completed January 2019