

CASA LINDA PARK



dallas park project
application for project assistance

29 March 2005

1. Name of Neighborhood Association or Housing Authority

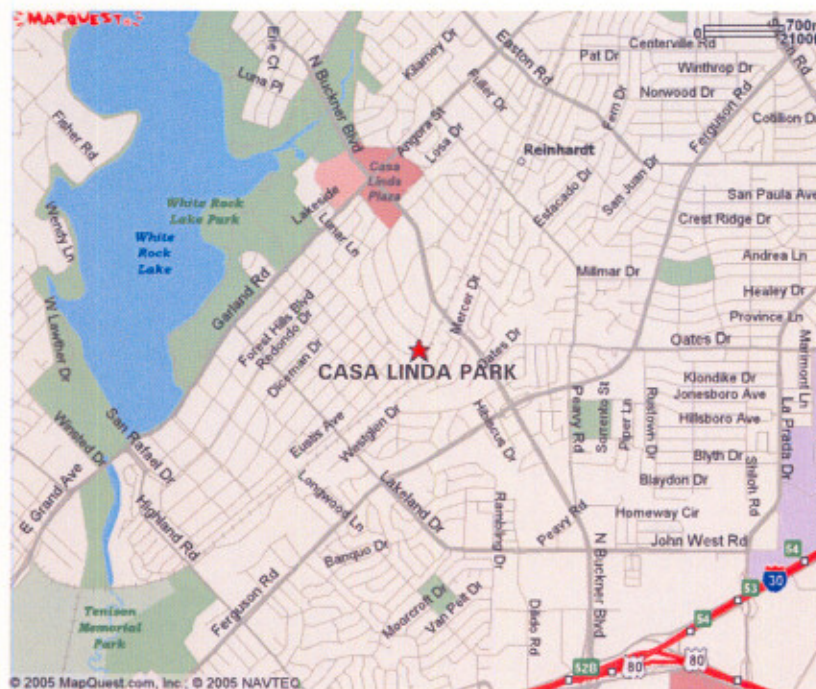
Casa Linda Park Committee – An independent group dedicated to the enhancement and beautification of the park. The organization is comprised of members from three Neighborhood Associations; Casa Linda Estates, Casa Linda Forest, and Little Forest Hills.

2. Number of Homes or Families in Neighborhood or Under Authority

Approximately 1,950 Homes

3. Percent of Families in Association

100 percent of homes are participants in the three neighborhood associations. Dues are voluntary but approximately 90 percent of homes have paid dues. Of these numbers there are about 4 to 5 members from each neighborhood comprising the Casa Linda Park Committee.



4. Desired Projects

Outdoor Recreation:

- Exercise path around and through entire park
- Stretching/fitness equipment
- Sand volleyball pit
- New basketball goals
- Resurfacing tennis court
- Remove chain link on basketball court



Community Features:

- Gazebo with electrical service
- Stone entry signs on Old Gate and San Saba
- Updated children's play structure/area
- Pavilion
- New picnic areas
- Drinking fountains lighting
- Wireless internet area
- Benches throughout park area



Landscaping:

- Trees
- Planting beds with irrigation
- Shrubs
- Wildflower areas
- Stone wall boundary



Refer to Casa Linda Proposed Developments for further information

5. Estimated Cost of Projects

<i>Approximate Estimates</i>		
<i>Outdoor Recreation:</i>		
Track (6' wide concrete path)	\$	220,000
Stretching Equipment	\$	11,000
Volleyball Pit/Net	\$	10,000
Dual Basketball Goal	\$	3,500
<i>Community Features:</i>		
Gazebo (Steel frame, concrete foundation)	\$	65,000
Electricity to Gazebo	\$	2,000
Signage (2 park entry signs and "children at play" traffic signs)	\$	\$4,000
Children's Playground	\$	61,700
Drinking Fountains (3 @ 3,000 ea)	\$	9,000
Pavilion (Remove old and Install new)	\$	175,000
Security Lights/Lighting	\$	115,000
<i>Landscaping:</i>		
Trees	\$	15,000
Planting Beds/Shrubs	\$	15,000
Water Services	\$	4,000
Stonework (Phase I)	\$	65,000
Stonework (Phase II)	\$	200,000
Stonework (Phase III)	\$	40,000
<i>Total</i>	\$	1,015,200

6. Projected Time to Complete

5 – 8 years for major projects included in this application. However, we anticipate an ongoing relationship between Casa Linda Park Committee, the City of Dallas, and Dallas Parks Project on the sustained upkeep and enhancement of the park beyond this time frame.

7. Benefits to be Obtained

An upgraded, modern park that better serves the surrounding neighborhoods and community by providing:

Safety:

- Updated play equipment for children
- Better artificial lighting to increase visibility at night
- Landscape/hardscape barriers to keep cars out of park
- New structures that are visible and minimize hiding spots
- Increased number of activities to intensify use of park.

Health:

- Innovative play structures for children
- Stretching/fitness equipment
- Running/walking path
- Better maintained sports facilities (baseball field, basketball court, tennis court)
- Additional sport facilities such as sand volleyball pit.

Community Activity:

- Central Gazebo/Pavilion to serve as stage and gathering space for neighborhood.
- Diverse range of other structures and facilities to foster wide range of park users and allow multiple groups to picnic, meet, and play.

8. Methods of Fund Raising Previously Pursued

Casa Linda Park Committee has accepted donations from neighborhood associations, basketball players, garage sales, art festivals, garden tours, plant sales, t-shirt sales, auctions and private donations.

9. Methods of Fund Raising Envisioned

We envision a variety of fund raising within the neighborhoods and the greater community of Dallas. We intend to obtain funds by:

- Barbeques
- Door-to-door solicitations
- Tee shirt and hat sales
- Donations from neighborhood associations
- Dinner/dance
- Outdoor movies.
- Applying for bond money from City of Dallas
- Corporate sponsorships
- Plant sales
- Concerts
- How-to clinics (home repair and beautification instruction)
- Volunteer manual labor offered for donations.
- Donations for engraved bricks in plaza, engraved boulders, engraved plaques, etc.

10. List of All Renovations to Project Area in the Last 10 Years

- Renovated baseball bleachers
- Repaired and painted backstop at baseball field
- Fixed basketball goals
- Installed new picnic tables
- Installed a second baseball bleacher
- Planted trees
- Added trash cans
- Installed new basketball court lights
- Installed new basketball goal



11. Past Project Maintenance Plans or Upkeep

Dallas Parks and Recreation, Volunteers, and a leadership group for autistic children have helped maintain the park.

12. Owner of Land on which Project is Located

City of Dallas

13. Common Nuisances associated with Land on which Project is Located

- Merry-go-round in disrepair
- Playground equipment old and in need of repair
- Pavilion deteriorating and marked with graffiti
- Tennis court and basketball court need resurfacing
- Baseball field needs upgrade
- No drinking fountains
- Chain link causes safety hazard on basketball court
- Problems with automobiles driving through grass and landscape areas of the park.

14. Current Use of Land on which Project is Located

Park

15. Obstacles

Railroad tracks bound southeast side of park

16. Permits Expected to be Required

City to handle permits

17. Any known Master Plan for Project Area

Dallas currently has a Park Renaissance Plan

18. Will Project Interfere with Current Activities

No

19. Current Incidents of Crime in Area of Project

None officially reported at park. However, evidence of drug and alcohol use, graffiti, and sexual activity have been found.

20. Presence of Neighborhood Watch

VIP volunteers patrol area

21. Location of the Nearest School

3/8 mile - *Gaston Junior High School* at 9565 Mercer
3/8 mile - *St Bernard Catholic School* at 1404 Old Gate
3/4 mile - *Sanger Elementary* at 8410 San Leandro
1 1/8 mile - *Truett Elementary* at 2200 Gross Rd

22. Location of Nearest Assisted Living/Nursing Home

1 1/8 mile - *Autumn Leaves* at 1010 Emerald Isle
1 1/2 mile - *12 Oaks* at 3305 Dillido





CASA LINDA PARK DALLAS, TX PROPOSED SITE PLAN



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Reference Proposed Developments section for legend.