

The Corpus Christi Parks & Recreation Department provides the opportunity for individuals, families and organizations to donate memorials to celebrate their loved ones within the park system.

The guidelines for this program were developed based on research on the best practices of similar agencies nationwide, the needs and resource capabilities of the Parks & Recreation Department and the desire of citizens to recognize loved ones through monetary contributions providing for specific lasting memorials. In order to allow for a consistent program for soliciting and recognizing contributions, the following programs have been established.

The memorial donation guidelines allow for several types of memorial opportunities. Final memorial locations will be dependent on the needs of the department and planning processes already underway.

Donations may be tax deductible.
(Please see your tax advisor.)

*Trees are poems that the earth
writes upon the sky.*

— Kahlil Gibran, Sand and Foam

Commemorative Tree & Bench Program

We can help you honor someone special.
Call 361-826-3460,
visit www.ccparkandrec.com
or mail your request to:

Corpus Christi Parks & Recreation
PO Box 9277
Corpus Christi, Texas 78469-9277

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Bench PROGRAM

Memorial benches provide an opportunity to honor or remember someone as well as offer park visitors a place to rest and enjoy their surroundings. Benches will be installed during December through February, however, a specific installation date cannot be guaranteed. Placement of the benches will be determined by the Parks & Recreation Department.

The cost for a memorial bench is \$650.

This includes:

- ◆ Installation of a 6' recycled plastic bench with back
- ◆ 3"x12" plaque inset in the back of the bench

The cost for a memorial bench in a Shoreline or Ocean Drive park is \$1,200. This includes:

- ◆ Installation of a 4'x6' heavy wooden bench
- ◆ 3"x12" plaque inset on the side of the bench

The costs listed above reflect the cost of benches installed adjacent to existing sidewalks or concrete slabs. If final placement of the bench requires the installation of a sidewalk or walkway to meet ADA compliance requirements, the family/organization will be responsible for those additional costs.



Tree DONATION

Memorial trees are not only an environmentally sound way of honoring a loved one but also enhance the landscape of our park system and provide shade from the South Texas sun for park visitors. The Parks & Recreation Department has selected (Texas Redbud, Oak, Huisache or Texas Persimmon, Texas Pistache) to be included in this program. The trees are durable, drought tolerant and well suited for surviving our climate. A 30-gallon tree will be planted between November and March in a park of your choice. The tree's exact location within the park will be determined by department staff. Donors will be notified of the tree's location once planted. The Parks & Recreation Department cannot guarantee a specific planting date.

The cost for a memorial tree is \$400.

This includes:

- ◆ Supply and planting of the 30-gallon tree
- ◆ Tree watering bag (to assist with watering and establishment of tree)
- ◆ A 3"x12" plaque on a concrete pedestal at the foot of the tree



Plaques

Plaques for both benches and trees will be made of compressed plastic and allow for three lines of text. Inscriptions/text will appear in the following format:

In memory of/In honor of/In celebration of

Robert Garcia

MAY 21, 2012

The third line of text may reflect dates of birth, death, celebration or inspiring/sentimental sayings. All wording must be approved by the Office of the Director prior to casting.

Please note that the City of Corpus Christi will not replace or be responsible for benches, plaques or trees that may become damaged, stolen or die.

