



Gallery: [Spring Street Park: Downtown LA](#) [Parking Lot Transformed into a...](#)

This is the 16th park to be opened as part of the City's [50 Parks Initiative](#), whose goal is to create more public space for the city's lease-served neighborhoods.



In July, Mayor Villaraigosa and Council member Huizar opened Spring Street Park in Downtown Los Angeles. This is the 16th park to be opened as part of the City's [50 Parks Initiative](#), which aims to create more public space for the city's lesser-served neighborhoods. "Spring Street Park is an example of how the 50 Parks Initiative is bringing green space and recreation facilities where they're needed the most," [said](#) Mayor Villaraigosa. "I am also pleased that we have successfully purchased the lot on 1st St. and Broadway to remove blight and build more healthy public space in Downtown Los Angeles." Over the past 7 years, Villaraigosa and his administration have created an additional 670 acres of park space in the city.

[Spring Street Park](#) measures 0.7 acres and includes walking paths, an open lawn, seating, children's play elements, native landscaping, and a smart irrigation system. Sustainable and low-maintenance design ensures that fewer funds will be spent to maintain the parks and more money can go towards the creation of more open space. The L-shaped space fits snugly between existing buildings in the downtown area and adds natural elements, storm water retention, and improves air quality.

[+ Lehrer Architects](#)

[+ 50 Parks Initiative](#)

Via [WAN](#)

Images ©Lehrer Architects

Read more: [Spring Street Park-LehrerArchitects « Inhabitat – Sustainable Design Innovation, Eco Architecture, Green Building](#)