

PROJECT DATA

DETROIT RIVERWALK
DETROIT, MI
GREEN CONSTRUCTION PRACTICES

Client

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Project Size

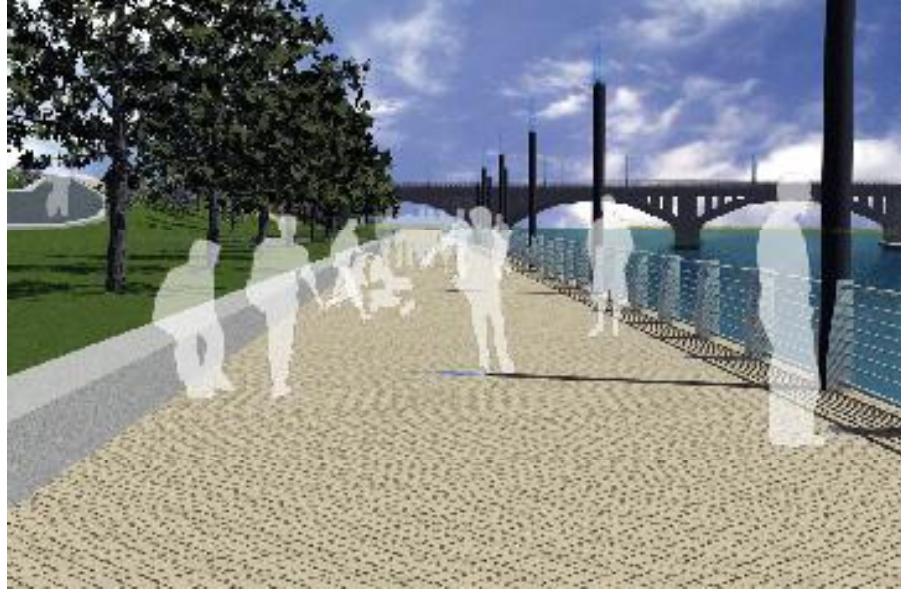
site work

Project Cost

\$50,000,000

Date Completed

May 2007



The Detroit Riverfront Conservancy (DRFC) is a nonprofit organization responsible for establishing, improving, operating, maintaining and conserving public parks, promenades, and other public green space along the Detroit River in Detroit, Michigan.

JM Olson was hired by the DRFC to construct over two miles of a pathway and promenade along the Detroit River (between Rivard Street and the MC Arthur Bridge to Belle Isle) that will provide community access as well as a destination along the city's gem—The Detroit River. Both design continuity parallel to the River and strategic linkages back into the neighborhoods are paramount.

The RiverWalk will function as the connecting ribbon between existing landmark elements. It will also create a place for new amenities and accommodate a host of programming opportunities. The implementation of the RiverWalk in 2004 will serve to reconnect the City of Detroit to the river and as a major catalyst for rediscovery and reinvestment. The ultimate goal is to attract regional visitation, help showcase the downtown, serve the citizens at large and provide multiple access points to city and state parks. The RiverWalk will become the major amenity attracting investors and new residents who will live, work and play in the newly planned riverfront district.

