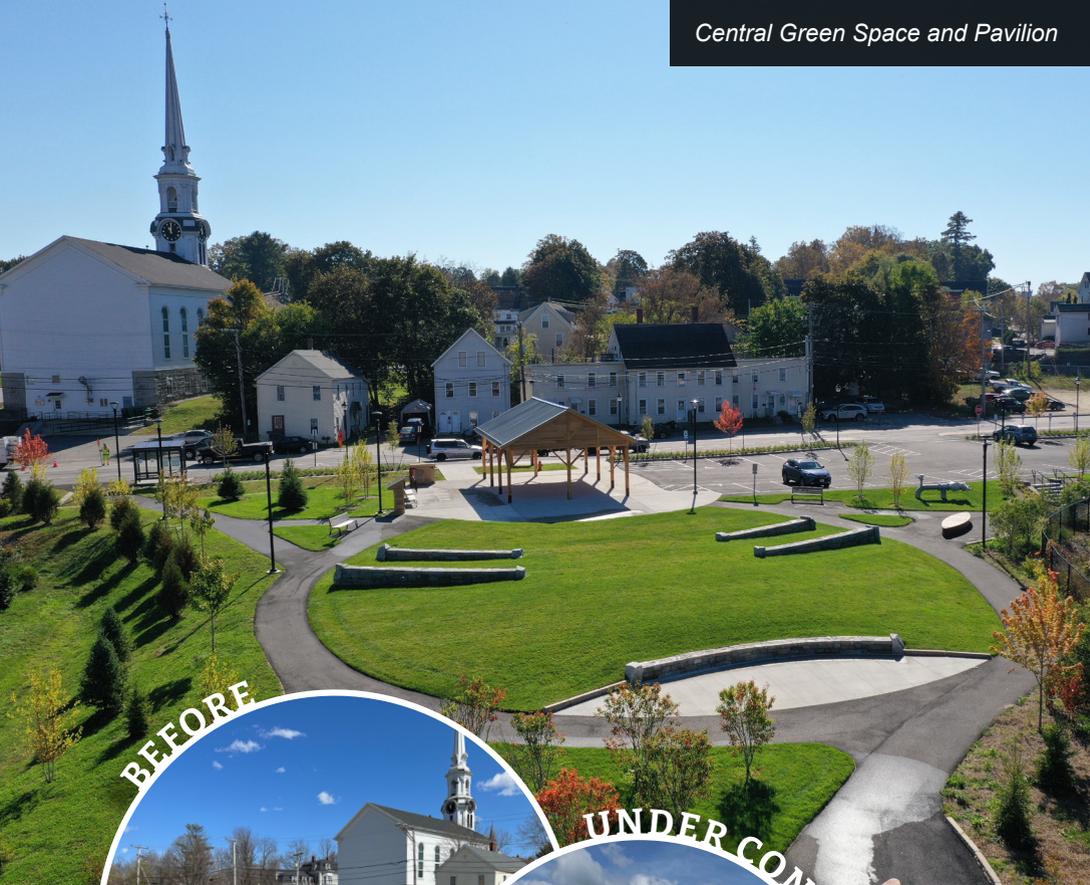


Central Green Space and Pavilion



BEFORE

UNDER CONSTRUCTION



Stabilized Riverbank From Fishing Pier



Community Gathered for Ribbon Cutting



Custom Canoe Bench

# Canal Street Riverfront Park

Concord, New Hampshire

## Project Overview

The Canal Street Riverfront Park transformed a brownfield into an active public landscape that reconnects the city to the Contoocook River and protects sensitive environmental resources. Designed for the City of Concord, NH, the project balances ecological restoration, recreation, and safety through innovative techniques that maintain the existing soil cap while introducing native plantings, improved stormwater management, and accessible pedestrian and bicycle connections.

## Challenges & Future Value

Working within the constraints of a capped site and regulated riverfront buffer required coordination among multiple environmental agencies and creative engineering to ensure stability, habitat protection, and ease of long-term maintenance. The project demonstrates the future value of integrating sustainable landscape design and brownfield reuse, serving as a replicable model for other municipalities seeking to reclaim underutilized waterfronts.

## Local Impact

Socially and economically, the park enhances community access, supports tourism, and strengthens Concord's identity as a river city with rich history. By fulfilling the municipality's goals for safety, connectivity, and open space preservation, the project transforms a once-restricted site into a resilient civic destination that celebrates both environmental recovery and public engagement.



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