

Enmax Legacy Parks Program — Central Memorial Park



Central Memorial Park 2010 and ca. 1920s

Project: Central Memorial Park is Calgary's oldest surviving park and is a provincial historic resource. The east end of the park hosts Calgary's oldest library, a Carnegie Foundation sandstone building. A complex rehabilitation was undertaken over the last 5 years, included revitalizing the historic significance of the park including restoring the geometric oval and park symmetry. New elements were also added to the park including fountains, festival infrastructure, extensive lighting, a café space, a Parks staff presence and a public washroom.

Budget: \$5.8M Enmax Legacy Parks Program contribution to the \$12.0M total.

Timeline: Planning in 2006, design in 2007, construction in 2008-2010.
Completed and reopened in 2010 by Princess Margriet of the Netherlands.

Benefits: This cultural landscape park has played a key role in the revitalization of the neighbourhood. Formerly an aging and underutilized site, this park now hosts year-round use and has positively contributed to renewing the walkability, beauty and comfort of the area.

