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Recreation & Park Department

Golden Gate Park Accessibility Commitment Updates

Mayor’s Disability Council
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Accessible Parking
**Accessible parking:** New Accessible Parking Lot

- 20 spaces accessible parking lot
- 8 on-street accessible spaces along MLK & Nancy Pelosi
- Shuttle Stop at parking lot
Accessible parking: New Accessible Parking Lot
Accessible parking: Map
Music Concourse Garage
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• Transfer is still in process
  • Flexible pricing
  • Increase time limit for drop-off/pick-up
  • Additional subsidized parking for Discover and Go and Museums for All pass users
• Install better wayfinding signage
GGP Shuttle
Transportation Demand Manager (TDM)

Emily Stefliuk
Shuttle

- Shuttle service 7-days/week since March 2022
- Expanded hours for special events
- Accessible with lift
- 3 shuttles Sat/Sun & holidays (~15-minute wait)
- 2 shuttles Mon-Fri (~20-minute wait)
Shuttle
Google, Apple Maps, and Transit App have been updated
Ongoing shuttle improvements

- New temporary shuttle signs
- Low-floor vehicle (late 2024)
- Driver training
- Real-time arrivals (testing)
- On-board information
  - Audio and text
  - Maps
- Upgraded shuttle stops
  - Landing pads
  - Permanent benches
  - Pole signs
Marked Paratransit vehicles allowed on JFK Promenade and other closed roads
Information and Wayfinding
Information and wayfinding: Wayfinding and Signage

- Misleading signs have been removed
- Signage added as part of projects
  - Parking lot, Stow Lake, Tea Garden
- SF Fellows Team wayfinding project and report completed spring 2023
- USF intern, spring 2024
- Accessibility map and brochure
Information and wayfinding: SF Fellows Team
GGP Pathways Usability Map
GGP Pathways Usability Map (Part 1)
GGP Pathways Usability Map (Part 2)
Information and Wayfinding: Website

WCAG 2.0 compliant

SF Digital Accessibility Standards
Information and Wayfinding: Website text directions

Getting to Golden Gate Park by Car

Golden Gate Park is accessible by a wide range of transportation options, including by car. There is currently a car-free route through the park, but much of the park remains accessible by automobile.

An update on the new traffic pattern for MLK Drive in Golden Gate Park

Where is the car-free route?
The car-free route runs from Stanyan Street at the east end of the park to Ocean Beach and the Great Highway at the west end. The east end of the route includes portions of JFK Drive and Conservatory Drive; the west end of the route includes Overlook Drive, Middle Drive and portions of MLK Drive.
**Information and Wayfinding:** Website text directions

Sample Text Directions RPD Website

**How do I drive to my favorite spots in the park?**

**Getting to the museums, Japanese Tea Garden and Music Concourse**

- From the north: John F. Kennedy Drive is currently closed to vehicular traffic from Kezar Drive to Transverse Drive. Paid parking is available in the Music Concourse garage as of September 21, 2020, which may be accessed from the Fulton Street and 10th Avenue entrance.
- From the south: The Music Concourse Garage can be accessed via Music Concourse Drive, off of MLK Drive near 9th Avenue and Lincoln Way. There is also street parking along MLK Drive and adjacent streets.

Visit the [Getting to the Music Concourse page](#) for more information.
Information and Wayfinding: Information access

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Outreach and input—Deaf & Disability Communities
Outreach and Input

- Quarterly meetings with MOD
- Updates to MDC as requested
- Most current and upcoming GGP projects informed by disability and senior communities' input and feedback
- Ongoing outreach to disability and Deaf communities about programs and events
- Participation in ADF SF Working Group
- Ongoing collaboration with other agencies
  - DCYF, Support for Families, SFUSD SPED, BORP, CIC
Adaptive Bike Program
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GGP Event Access
Where We are Now: Event Access Plan example—text

Driving to the event
Traffic will be heavy in and around Golden Gate Park during this event. If you drive, we recommend arriving early. Following is information about parking and passenger drop-off.

General information about driving to Golden Gate Park
You can find general information about driving to Golden Gate Park by visiting the Getting to Golden Gate Park by Car page on our website.

General and Accessible Parking
Information about general and accessible parking can be found on the Getting to Golden Gate Park by Car page on our website. Following is information about accessible parking that may be helpful for the Tree Lighting event:

• Accessible parking near Tree Lighting event—described below and shown on the Accessing Jingle all the way on JFK event map on this page
• Accessible parking is available in the following locations. The location name/cross streets are followed by the number of spaces at that location. Be sure to consider how far you may have to travel from a parking space to your destination, and whether there is a shuttle stop near the parking location. We also recommend arriving early to avoid traffic and find parking.
Event Access

• RPD sponsored events
  • Tree Lighting
  • Halloween

• Consultation with outside event organizers
  • Hardly Strictly Bluegrass
  • Entwined/Elder Mother
  • World Cup Soccer
Event Access Plans: Map Example
Where We are Now: Event Access
Where We are Now: Event Access
Event access plans: Elder Mother
Step by step

Host an accessible event

A successful event plans for accessibility during planning, set-up, operation, and tear down of the event.
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Barrier Removal Projects
Barrier Removal Projects: Botanical Garden Bookstore
Barrier Removal Projects: Stow Lake Pathway Improvements
Barrier Removal Projects: Japanese Tea Garden
Curb Ramps and Crosswalks
Barrier Removal Projects: Curb Ramps and Crosswalks

- Replace curb ramps along JFK Promenade (10)
  - From Stanyan to 10th Ave
  - Fulton to JFK Promenade
  - Stanyan frontage near McLaren Lodge
- Improve crosswalks (3)
  - Conservatory East
  - Pompeii Circle near Dahlia Dell
- Winter 2024
Conservatory of Flowers
Conservatory of Flowers (Part 1)
Conservatory of Flowers (Part 2)

• Studying feasibility of a turnaround at the bottom of Conservatory Drive West
  • This is where the accessible path to the Conservatory is
  • This would allow passengers to be dropped off at the path
Pedestrian safety
Pedestrian Safety (Part 1)

• Still studying best options for ensuring safety for everyone on the Promenade
• Installations have had a calming effect
• Only 4 SFPD reported collisions on **all car free roads** in GGP during recording period (7/01/21-3/31/23)
  • includes portions of JFK, Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd, Conservatory East Dr, and Middle Lake Drive)
  • Bike/vehicle collision at JFK/Kezar on 7/9/2021
  • Pedestrian/Taxi Vehicle collision at JFK/Transverse on 12/25/2021
  • Bike collision at JFK/Nancy Pelosi Dr on 7/17/2022
  • Bike/pedestrian collision near JFK/10th Ave on 10/01/2022
Pedestrian safety (Part 2)
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Thank You
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