

Friends of Dimond
Park review their
accomplishments
from 2023 and look
ahead towards their
goals for 2024

## By the Numbers



Our dedicated volunteers clocked over **1,000 hours**, picking up **2,700 gallons** of green waste and nearly **2,000** gallons of trash. If you ever stroll the park & notice how clean it is, this is why!

## **Polishing the Dimond**



We coordinated the repair & painting of the picnic tables, launched a bathroom mural project, and obtained additional trash receptacles, aided by monthly work parties (600 hours) and weekly litter pickups (500 hours).



### Landscape Love

We planted **seven new trees**, which were "adopted" by volunteer watering crews, and **50 daffodil bulbs**. Also, **Tons of invasive French broom and ivy** were removed from the hillsides. A public tool-sharpening day helped keep our hoes, shovels, and trimmers in tip-top shape.

#### Access & Outreach



FODP worked with the City of Oakland to add an **ADA-compliant bench** to the women's shower at the pool and install a **handrail for the stairs** to the upper parking lot. These benefits & many more were shared with the public at the **FODP booth during last fall's Oaktoberfest**.

# **Gratitude Spotlight**



Friends of Dimond Park can only do this critical work with help from other people and groups. A **special thanks** to a few that provided us with crucial assistance:

Trees for Oakland

Friends of Sausal Creek

Keep Oakland Beautiful

FODP Monday Litter Pick-Up Crew

District 4 Council Representative Janani Ramachandran

City of Oakland Construction & Maintenance Crew

#### What's Next? Goals for 2024

- Raise additional funds to complete the bathroom mural project.
- Target projects to increase public access, particularly the Fruitvale entrance.
- Grow our volunteer base to aid park maintenance efforts, like reviving the native plant area.
- Collaborate with local businesses, schools and youth organizations to help cultivate our next generation of volunteers & supporters.
- Leverage the energy and expertise of those in our community & recruit new board members.



Contact us if you can help with any of these goals!

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