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TRAVIS PARK SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

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Travis Park is one of the oldest municipal parks in the United States. Since 1870, the 2.6-acre park has held concerts, hosted community gatherings, and served as a green oasis in the middle of a bustling downtown San Antonio. The park is located in one of the most walkable areas of the city and provides direct access to 17 transit lines at upgraded bus stops, providing frequent connections to neighborhoods and destinations throughout San Antonio. The park also includes a bike share station and designated parking areas for e-scooters.

In 2012, the City of San Antonio's Center City Development and Operations Department engaged Project for Public Spaces to assist the City, the community, and area stakeholders to create a vision and concept plan for Travis Park. A concept plan with potential placemaking activities was then developed based on feedback from the community through meetings and surveys. Since the reopening of Travis Park, the 2.6 acre park has been rebranded and now features a calendar of regular programming and special events to help attract locals, workers, and visitors alike. Programming includes weekly food trucks, free events like Fitness in the Park, Ballet in the Park, Opera in the Park, and a game kiosk providing free activities for the community. The park also includes amenities such as a dog park, on-going public art, and a large number of trees that provide much needed shade in the summer.

Travis Park is an urban destination that embraces its past and yet feels contemporary and dynamic at the same time.







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