Memorial and Donor Bench Program

The City of Stoughton Memorial and Donor Bench Program allows groups or individuals the opportunity to help support Stoughton Parks system or to honor loved ones by purchasing a bench or memorializing an existing park bench. A plaque will be mounted on the bench and engraved with verbiage of your choice, subject to approval by the Public Works Department.

The donor may request a location within a park or along a trail where they would like to see the bench placed. (Please note: The city has final approval of the exact location, taking into consideration accessibility, utilities, maintenance, site conditions and present and future park use)

All benches are 6 feet long, made of composite recycled plastic and are mounted to a 4'x10' concrete slab. Extra space is provided for wheelchair accessible seating next to each bench.



All requests for memorials are approved by the Public Works Department. After approval, city staff will contact you to finalize the request and the optimum location within the park for the bench to be placed. Please contact Mark Edwards with any questions you might have at 608-646-0431

Memorials must be paid for prior to the city placing an order for a bench and plaque. The city may limit the number of new benches at a particular location. The city accepts no liability for damage to memorials from vandals or third parties, or while performing maintenance activities. The city reserves the right to remove any memorials that have been damaged. Memorials and plague wording require city approval. No additional mementos shall be permitted at the memorial site.

Tier 1: \$350 - Memorialize an existing bench with plaque. Fees collected will be put into an account to help fund the purchase of future park benches by the City.

Tier 2: \$900 - Installation of new memorial bench, plaque, and concrete slab at a location of donor's choice, approved by the Department of Public Works.

Benches or plaques may be purchased through the Public Works Department and will be ordered at any time throughout the year. Installation/placement will occur between April and September, most likely scheduled with other concrete projects within the park system.