



TREE &  
BENCH



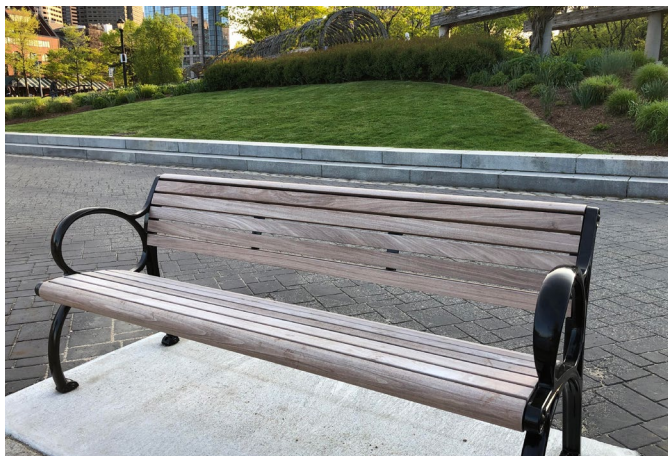
SPONSOR  
PROGRAM





## SPONSOR A BENCH OR TREE TODAY

Friends of Christopher Columbus Park's Tree and Bench Sponsorship Program is a wonderful way to celebrate a special time or person in your life. All sponsorship donations are dedicated to maintenance of Christopher Columbus Park.



We invite you to sponsor a tree or bench in Christopher Columbus Park. You can choose any bench in Columbus Park or an oak tree that lines the trellis.

### Remembrance Plaque Wording

A joyful message will reflect the joyful atmosphere at Christopher Columbus Park. Consider celebrating a child's birth ... a marriage proposal ... a milestone birthday.

The wording also celebrates the unique spirit of a loved one. Please note that we ask you not use words such as "in memory of." Good alternatives are "In honor of," "Celebrating" or "Honoring" and you might try to capture the essence of the person.

### PLAQUE WORDING IDEAS

- Samantha Clark ~  
She Cherished Life!  
Dino De Luca ~  
He Cherished Samantha!
- Pat O'Brien ~ Gone Fishin'
- For Herman Russell ~  
Happy 65th Birthday!
- Every Bench Deserves a Mensch!  
Love, Your Lucky Family & Friends
- ... and baby makes three!  
Maria Elena Lopez
- My Sweet Jada, I love you.  
Be mine! Will you marry me?  
Isaiah
- Chris, you've stood by me  
through thick & thin. Have a seat.
- Relax and enjoy the view as much  
as we do. The Benowitz Family



## ORDER FORM

### Select Site Element:

☐ Existing Bench Plaque Sponsorship  
\$5,000 (each per 12-year term)

☐ Existing Oak Tree Plaque Sponsorship  
(The Ten Existing Oak Trees beside the Trellis)  
\$10,000 (each per 12-year term)

I / We would like to sponsor a \_\_\_\_\_

for \_\_\_\_\_term(s) with a contribution of \$\_\_\_\_\_

### Term of Sponsorship:

The term of sponsorship is twelve (12) years, with the option to double the term (and receive one year free) for a total of twenty-five (25) years by doubling the contribution. At the end of the sponsorship period, the donor/sponsor has the opportunity to renew the sponsorship at the then-current contribution level.

### Sponsor Information:

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

### Inscription:

Maximum of 30 characters (including spaces). Bench plaques are a maximum of two lines, tree plaques are a maximum of three lines. All inscriptions are subject to review. A proof will be sent to you directly for approval.

Line #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Line #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Line #3 (Tree plaques only): \_\_\_\_\_

*Please complete order form on the reverse*



# TREE AND BENCH SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM POLICY

I have read and I fully understand the Tree and Bench Sponsorship Program Policy below.

My signature below indicates that I have read this document in its entirety, and understand that:

1. The Friends of Christopher Columbus Park (FOCCP) and the Boston Parks Department makes all final decisions, including but not limited to availability, plaque style and location, and all language used on plaques.
2. It is the donor's responsibility to ensure that FOCCP has current contact information on file.
3. This policy is designed to enable residents and park users to support FOCCP through a tax-deductible contribution. Contributions may be acknowledged by a plaque if desired. The plaque is symbolic of the donation and does not entitle the donor to ownership of the particular donated element.
4. Due to the unpredictability of weather and staffing demands, FOCCP cannot guarantee a specific installation date within a given season.
5. Complete funding for the sponsorship must be processed before the commencement of any work. The current sponsorship levels are stated herein. These amounts are adjusted periodically.
6. A sponsorship period will last 12 years. Within this time, the Boston Parks Department will replace, at no cost to the donor, a park tree or bench recognition plaque one time if it is damaged or stolen. The cost of any subsequent replacement plaques will be the financial responsibility of the donor and must be coordinated through the Parks Department.
7. After 12 years, the donated element will be available for renewal for the cost of a new sponsorship with the first right of refusal given to the original donor or family member. If the original donor opts not to renew, the donated element and plaque may be removed or rededicated at any time.
8. The Parks Department retains the right to relocate a donated plaque at any time. If a plaque needs to be relocated, the Department will attempt to contact the donor to discuss alternative locations; the Parks Department will make the final determination.
9. The donor may select a bench from the existing undedicated park benches or may select a tree from the Oak Trees along the trellis.
10. A maximum of 2 lines of text and 30 characters per line is permitted on the bench-mounted plaque and 3 lines of text and 30 characters per line for ground-mounted tree plaques. Text is subject to the approval of FOCCP and the Parks Department Commission design review staff.
11. The recognition plaque is not intended to serve as a memorial marker; birth and/or death dates are not permitted. Messages should be simple statements recalling the event or person(s) recognized. No logos of any kind are permitted on plaques.
12. Only tree and bench sponsorships are covered by this policy. This policy does not supersede the regulations or ordinances of any City of Boston regulating authority. (End of Policy)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## PAYMENT DETAILS

The Friends of Christopher Columbus Park is a 501(c)(3) organization. Donations are tax-deductible to the extent provided by law. Checks should be made payable to:  
**Friends of the Christopher Columbus Park**

Please mail check and application to:  
Friends of Christopher Columbus Park  
Attn: Tree and Bench Sponsorship Program  
P.O. Box 130285, Boston, MA 02113  
Thank you for your support!