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Car Enter from Paterson Plank Road near Central Avenue.

#### Bus

Served by #30 NJ Transit bus line. Central Ave. is also serviced by the 85 line and 2nd St. is serviced by the 84 & 86 NJ Transit bus lines.

#### Rail

Take elevator up from 9th Street Hudson Bergen Light Rail Station to Paterson Plank Rd. in Jersey City.



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## Welcome

Shared by Union City and Jersey City, Washington Park has a rich history of providing an ideal location for leisure and recreational enjoyment. Offering open space where these two cities meet, visitors can enjoy the green, passive areas with its shady and winding walkways. For visitors who are looking for some active space, Washington Park is home to facilities for a variety of sports and activities.



## Park Features

Washington Park has its own unique attributes as a Hudson County park. Situated near the 14th street viaduct, Washington Park's "Park 4" offers notable views of the New York City skyline. A remarkable stainless steel sculpture entitled the "Wave" stands 14 feet high and 35 feet wide at the entrance on Paterson Plank Road. It was created by accomplished artist and Jersey native Chakaia Booker. The park landscape features a large trellis sculpture, two gazebos, a picnic area, and beautiful ornamental gardens. Canine lovers can bring their pet to get some exercise at the enclosed dog run.





### Histor

The site of Washington Park was originally a portion of the land owned by the Suckley's, a wealthy New York family involved in real estate. This particular plot was referred to as the "fair grounds" since visiting carnivals, circuses, and "Wild West" shows were staged there on a regular basis. In the early 1900s, a Jersey City resident, Dr. Ulamor Allen took a particular interest in the site. He helped found the Suckley Park Association, whose mission it was to establish a county park on the current site of Washington Park. This formal organization raised dues and petitioned the County for years on behalf of the creation of the Washington Park. Finally, in 1917, the land acquisition agreement for the proposed park was finalized.



## Recreation

This County Park offers baseball and softball players four fields, which are equipped with lighting for evening play and two of which feature synthetic turf, and a batting cage for Little Leaguers! Visitors can bring their "A" game and play on the other facilities: 10 tennis courts, one full and 3 half basketball courts, and a volleyball court. Children can enjoy outdoor recreation at Washington Park on the playground or cool off at the spray pool in the summertime. Residents throughout the area can exercise with a jog or a bike ride along the 3.8 mile of trails.

