

A new way to give urban green spaces the love they deserve.

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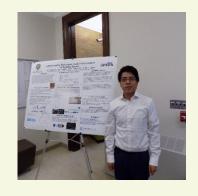
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Agenda



- 1. Context & Justification
- 2. Our Design Process
- 3. App Demo
- 4. Next Steps

Benefits of Green Space

Removal of air pollutants

Particulate Matter
Carbon Monoxide
Ozone
Sulfur Dioxide
Nitrogen Dioxide

Climate change mitigation through carbon dioxide removal and storage

Temperature reduction and cooling in surrounding area

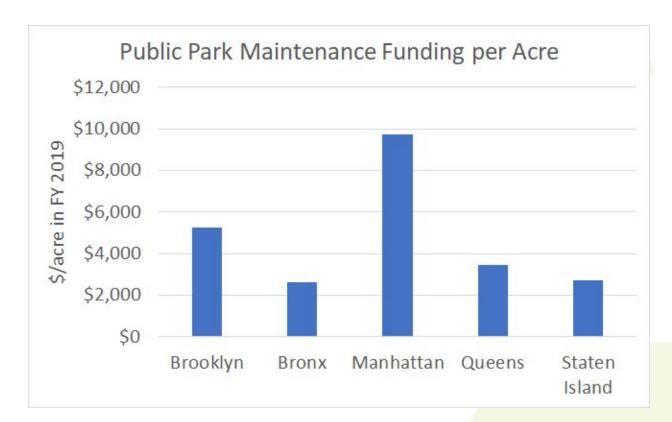
Positive effect on overall wellbeing of the city



Sources: https://www.nrpa.org/globalassets/research/nowak-heisler-summary.pdf https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4824524/

City parks are not equally funded. Manhattan gets much more per acre of parkland than the "outer boroughs."

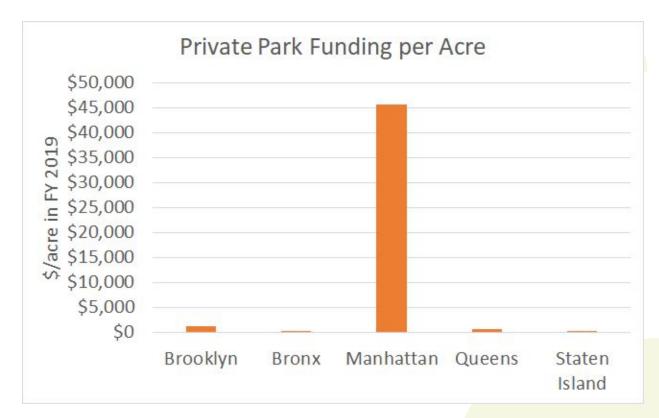
Public Park Funding



Source: NYC DPR Maintenance Funding

Private Park Funding

Private funding for parks is even more inequitable.

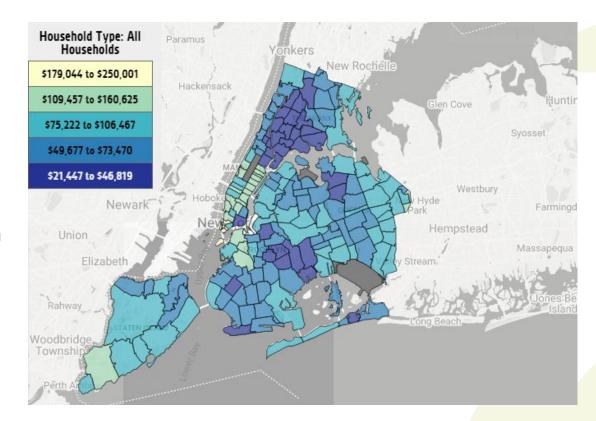


Source: New York Building Congress, Building the Future of New York: Parks and Open Space

Median income in the poorest areas, such as the South Bronx, is 1/10th that of the wealthiest Manhattan neighborhoods.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2019, from Keeping Track Online, https://cccnewyork.org/

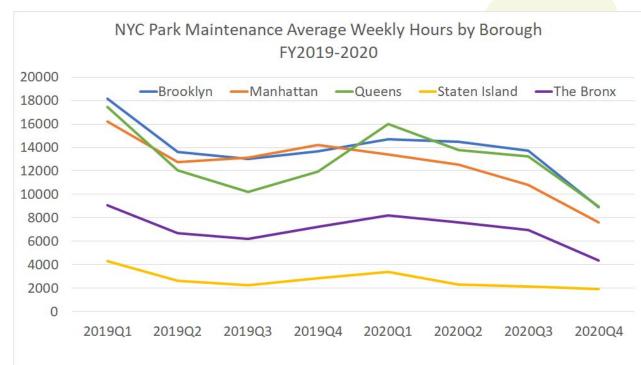
Patterns of Inequality



Park Maintenance Has Declined

Maintenance has declined due to the COVID budget crunch. And demand has increased.







Problem Statement

New Yorkers need a better way to identify the specific needs of their neighborhood parks as they evolve over time.

Our Design Process



LIST OF PARKS

SPOT THE PARKS ARE UNDER SERVES

Mind Mapping



GREEN SPACES

IDENTIFY PARK NEEDS

COMMUNITY BUILDING GET INVOLVED

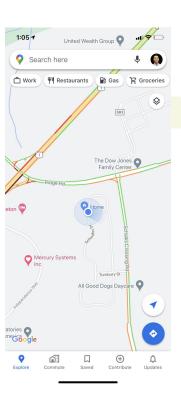
Competitive Analysis



Sandy Springs



City Oasis



Google Maps



Sandra Smith

Age: 27

Job: Museum Installation Artist

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Location: NYC

Status: Single

Income: \$65,000

"Covid-19 has given me all the reasons to be more aware of my neighborhood and community well-being more than ever!"

PERSONA

Goals

- Able to access parks near her neighborhood that are under served
- Improve air quality / carbon footprints
- Built better communal green parks for all
- Improved well being and health

Needs

- Difficult to find parks near her need love
- Socio Economic Disparity
- Clear goals on parks must needs

Brands/ Apps

















Motivation

Sustainable

Recreation

Good Health

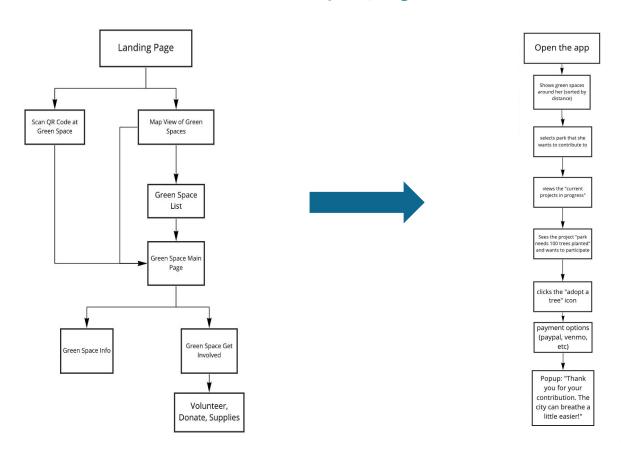
Green Lover

Community Service

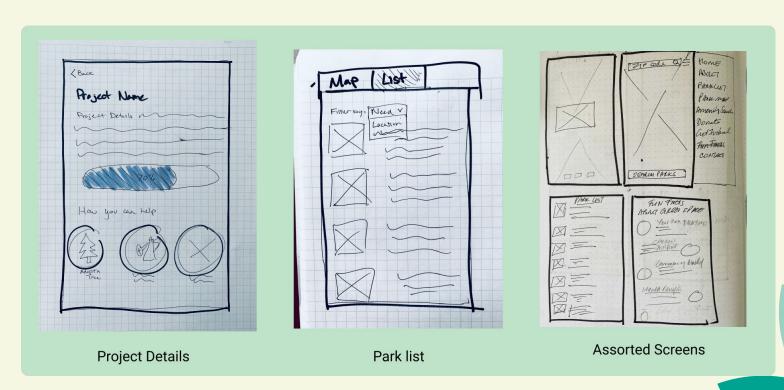
Environmentalist

Conscious Citizen

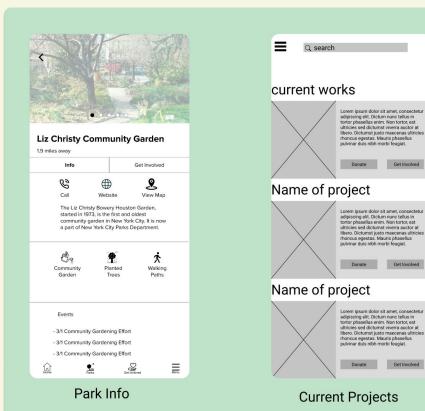
We mapped out a user flow for how this app would look before jumping on wireframes.

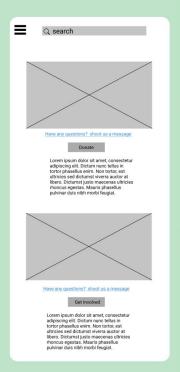


Early Sketches



Preliminary Wireframes





Donation/ Volunteer

OUR SCENARIO

Sandra has noticed that some nearby parks could use a little extra love but she struggles to find any easy way to get involved in its projects.

Next Steps

- Fully integrate data sets
- Further identify communities in need
- Talk to the users!
- Apply enhanced features
 - QR Code Scan → Learn core content before app install
 - Platform for user feedback within the app
 - 'Tagging' ability for desired improvements or points of interest
 - Communication hub for volunteers and those implementing park projects

