

# MILLENNIUM PARK RECREATIONAL AREA VISITOR'S GUIDE

## Welcome to Millennium Park

Millennium Park is Kent County's newest destination. This long-term work-in-progress will include 1,500 acres of urban greenspace and nearly ten miles of frontage on both sides of the Grand River. Every feature of the park's recreational area is enhanced by direct access to fresh water lakes, surrounding wetlands and wooded lowlands.

Along the sandy beach, a shaded promenade leads to volleyball courts and a state-of-the-art Adventure playground. The park gates open into a large grassy picnic area with tables, outdoor grills, and two open picnic shelters. A basketball court and paved footpaths make this a great family destination. All features include nearby parking and universal access.



Paved footpaths wind around the waterway and fishing pond, granting access to fishing piers, overlook pavilions, wetland boardwalks, and a wetland overlook deck.

Millennium Park features 200 acres of reclaimed quarries forming spring and groundwater fed lakes, ponds, and wetlands. Surrounding woodlands bustle with wildlife. The park boasts miles of trails including marsh boardwalks, nature trails and the 15 mile Kent Trails system which winds its way from John Ball Zoo, through Millennium Park to Byron Center.

The developed recreational area in the heart of Millennium Park boasts a Beach House and Plaza leading to a 6 acre man-made sandy beach, complete with clock tower, concessions, outdoor cafe, and children's Splashpad.



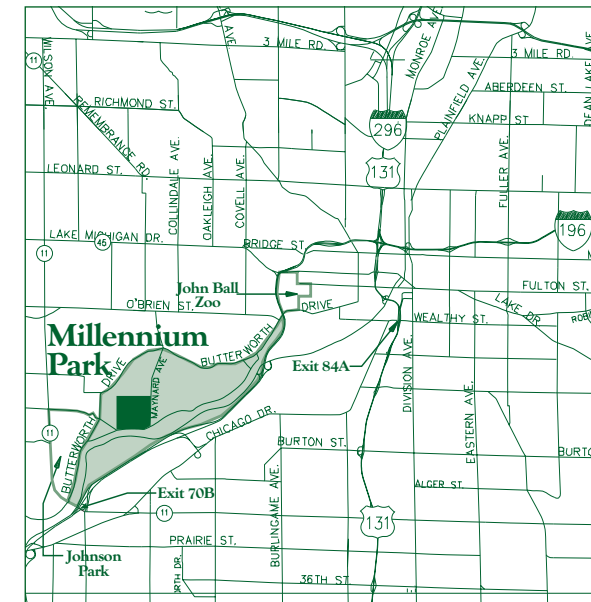
## Directions to Millennium Park

### From U.S. 131

- Exit at Wealthy Street (Exit 84A)
- Wealthy Street west to stop sign at Butterworth Drive (1.3 miles)
- West (left) on Butterworth Drive to Maynard Avenue (2.7 miles)
- South (left) on Maynard Avenue; Millennium Park entrance located west on Maynard (0.8 miles)

### From I-196

- Exit at Wilson Avenue, Walker (Exit 70)
- Wilson Avenue west to stop light at Butterworth Drive (0.3 miles)
- North (right) on Butterworth to Maynard Avenue (3.0 miles)
- South on Maynard Avenue; Millennium Park entrance located west on Maynard (0.8 miles)



For additional information about Millennium Park visit our websites:

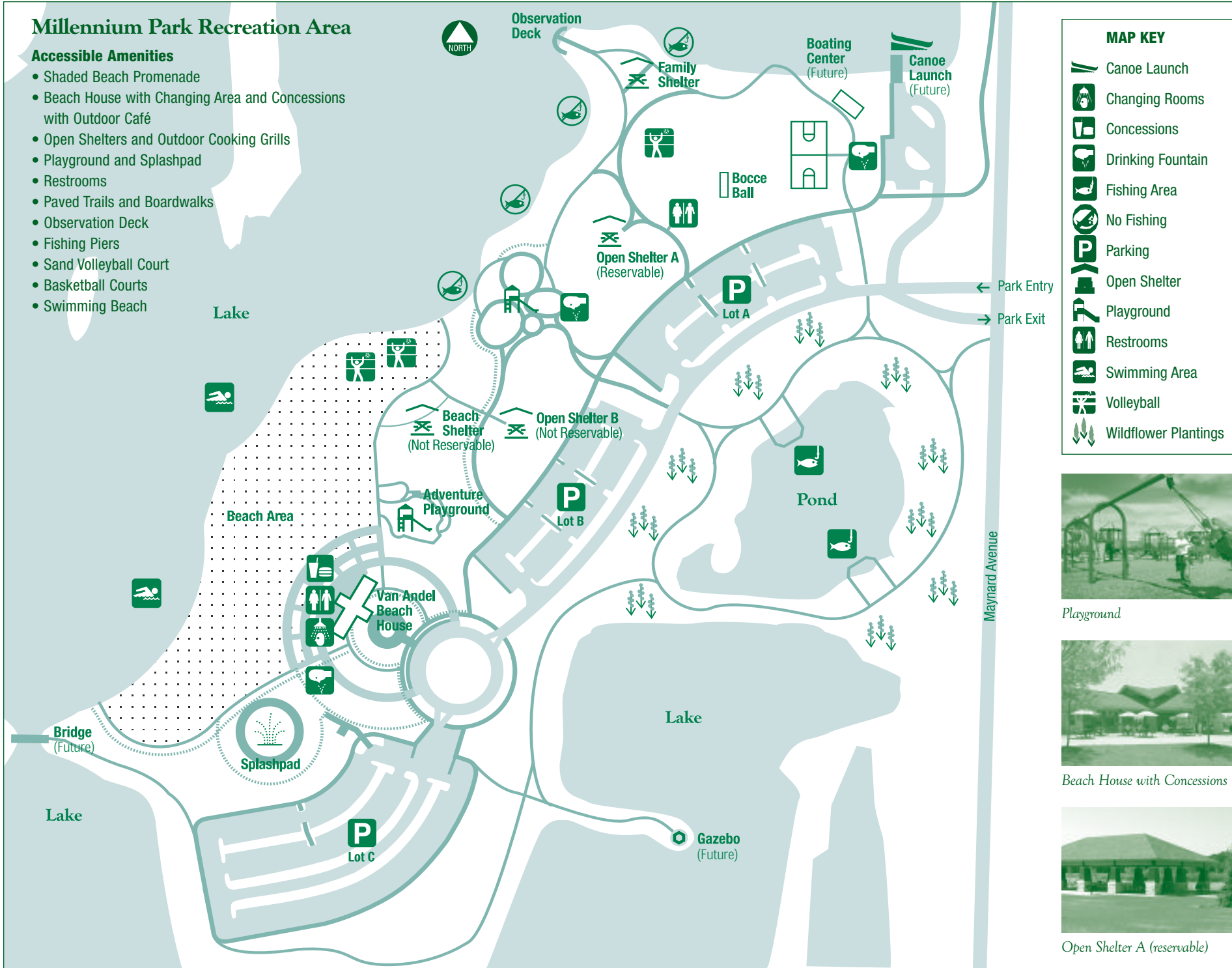
[www.millennium-park.org](http://www.millennium-park.org)  
[www.accesskent.com](http://www.accesskent.com)



# Millennium Park Recreation Area

## Accessible Amenities

- Shaded Beach Promenade
- Beach House with Changing Area and Concessions with Outdoor Café
- Open Shelters and Outdoor Cooking Grills
- Playground and Splashpad
- Restrooms
- Paved Trails and Boardwalks
- Observation Deck
- Fishing Piers
- Sand Volleyball Court
- Basketball Courts
- Swimming Beach



## MAP KEY

- Canoe Launch
- Changing Rooms
- Concessions
- Drinking Fountain
- Fishing Area
- No Fishing
- Parking
- Open Shelter
- Playground
- Restrooms
- Swimming Area
- Volleyball
- Wildflower Plantings



Playground



Beach House with Concessions



Open Shelter A (reservable)

Reservations for Kent County Park facilities can now be made up to one year in advance. To make a Park reservation, please call our office at (616) 336-PARK, between the office hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. You can may also make your Park reservation by using a credit card, at [www.accesskent.com](http://www.accesskent.com).

## Open Shelters

Shelter A (seats approximately 150 people, with water and electricity) .....\$125.00  
 Other shelters are available on a first come, first served basis.

## Regulations Governing the use of Park

Millennium Park is open from May 1 until October 31. The park is open at 8:00 a.m. and closes at dusk, or as posted. Park employees, as agents of the County of Kent are authorized to enforce park rules and regulations.

Beach hours are 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m., Splashpad hours are 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Closing time may vary with season and weather restrictions. All park users must leave at closing time.

1. All tables must remain inside the open shelters.
2. Persons destructive to trees, buildings, equipment, signs, flowers, lawns, shrubs, etc. will be prosecuted and held liable for damages.
3. All papers, cans, rubbish, garbage, and other picnic refuse must be placed in receptacles provided for that purpose. Please help us keep the parks clean.
4. Dogs must be on a 6 foot leash. Park users who bring a dog are expected to remove the pet's waste.

## Summary of Park Beach Rules

### Swimmers Must Stay within Buoy Swim Area

- NO Diving
- NO Portable Grills or Pig Roast(er)s
- NO Glass Containers
- NO Alcoholic Beverages in Beach Area
- NO Amusements or Tents
- NO Posting of Any Signs
- NO Amplified Sound or Lighting
- NO Dogs/Pets in Beach Area and Playgrounds
- NO Metal Detecting
- NO Sales of Merchandise/Concession Sales
- NO Fireworks
- NO All Terrain Vehicles
- NO Hunting or Trapping
- NO Horses
- NO Watercraft Use (at this time)
- Bikes Must Stay on Paved Pathways