

"Rosie the Riveter" is the affectionate title given to the millions of women who worked in aircraft factories, shipyards, munitions plants and other places during World War II. Their contribution on the home front enabled the U.S. to win the war overseas.



The Long Beach Rosie the Riveter Foundation is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization established in 2008 to assist in the development of a park and interpretive center honoring the tens of thousands of women who worked on the home front in Long Beach during World War II.

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The Long Beach Rosie the Riveter Park & Interpretive Center

The park and interpretive center are designed to be completed in two phases.

Phase I includes a walking path with interpretive signs and a guided tour by cell phone that takes visitors back in time to the 1940s when Long Beach helped with the war effort.

A memorial featuring reproductions of scenes from the National World War II Memorial and a Victory Rose Garden are tucked in a grove of trees. It will provide a tranquil spot where visitors can reflect upon the sacrifice of those women and men who served in the military and civilian organizations.

A compass rose, long used by aviators to navigate their way, will be featured and will be a replica of the one that was in the main lobby of the Administration Building of the Roosevelt Naval Station in Long Beach.

A walk through a life-size sculpture of two women riveters takes visitors to the interpretive center located in the Long Beach City College Foundation building behind the park.

The interpretive center will feature memorabilia and displays provided by The Boeing Company, successor to McDonnell Douglas Corporation.

Phase II includes an additional walking path that is comprised of memorial pavers donated by those wishing to honor a loved one: a "Rosie," a member of the Womens Airservice Pilots (WASP) or any branch of the U.S. military.

A concrete sculpture outlines a B-17 bomber to provide an amphitheater and garden for public events. Historic benches, lighting, and banners will complete the park.



Honor a loved one today...

In 2008, Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe provided a \$100,000 grant to the City of Long Beach to design and develop the Rosie the Riveter Park. Space for the interpretive center is being provided by Long Beach City College. The Long Beach Rosie the Riveter Foundation is raising funds to complete the park through donations and dedications of trees, flowers, benches, pavers and signage given in memory of loved ones.

Located at Conant Street and Clark Avenue just steps away from the former Douglas Aircraft plant.