

Six projects received this distinguished national award for researching the transformational power of nature in urban settings. Each project was chosen for combining the creation of tranquil, restorative spaces with rigorous study of their impact on users' well-being and resilience.



THE PROJECT

# NAVAL CEMETERY LANDSCAPE

### THE ISSUE

Human health and the environmental health are inexorably linked. Immersion in nature can provide the experience of a 'getaway from normal life,' relieve stress and help restore attention.

### THE SOLUTION

The Naval Cemetery
Landscape will create a
restorative landscape where
visitors may engage in
contemplation and reflection
in an industrial neighborhood.

### THE HIGHLIGHTS

- This project will evaluate how expansion of biodiversity and quantity of natural life will impact the physical and mental well-being of high school students and community housing residents.
- This project may prove that nature offers a cost-effective, equitable and accessible strategy for restoring urban human health and well-being.

## THOSE INVOLVED

Brooklyn Community Housing Services // Brooklyn Greenway Initiative // Brooklyn Navy Yard // Horticultural Society of New York
The Green School, Brooklyn NY // Nelson Byrd Woltz Landscape Architects // New York University, Dept. of Sociology

Modern life can disrupt our connection to nature. Yet research shows that green spaces improve health. The TKF Foundation helps communities heal from the outside. TKF is a private nonprofit that funds publicly accessible urban green space.

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