WESTWAY HIGHWAY PROJECT
Location: New York, NY

Client: NY State Department of Transportation
Completed: 1985 (preliminary design)

This continuous 97-acre riverfront park was designed as part of the $2 billion transportation project which was stopped in late 1985 by Congressional action. Its intent was to reopen the waterfront to the people of Manhattan, create new vitality along the river and enhance the rich public environment of the individual neighborhoods as they interconnect with the Hudson River.

VSBA, in association with landscape architects Clarke & Rapuano Inc., were responsible for design and programming of the park system, development of a new street system and other highway-related architectural elements such as ventilation buildings, tunnel portals, signage, lighting, and finishes. The project also involved complex client and public design review processes and the coordination of community participation in those review.