Introduction
The Tacoma City Council passed Resolution No. 32415 on November 30, 1993, to reconcile the 1885 expulsion of Tacoma’s Chinese citizens led by the Mayor and civic leaders of that time, to express Tacoma’s commitment to end racism and hatred, and to promote a peaceful, multicultural community. The Chinese Reconciliation Park is a critical component of the community-led reconciliation process, and a joint project of the City of Tacoma and the non-profit Chinese Reconciliation Project Foundation.

Location
The park is located at the southern end of the 1.5-mile Ruston Way waterfront park along the Commencement Bay, and is in the proximity of the early Chinese settlement that was burned down during the tragic expulsion. (Address: 1741 N. Schuster Parkway, Tacoma, WA 98403)

Size
3.9 acres (donated by the National Guard)

Design
According to the Master Site Plan of 2001, the park design is a mixture of traditional Chinese scholar’s style gardens and beautiful natural waterfront setting. The design creates a variety of spaces carefully defined by walls, mounds, rockwork, landforms, interpretive displays, native and exotic plants, water features, and pavilions and classrooms with Chinese motif. The layout of the park provides a progressive learning environment for the visitors to experience the sojourners’ journey to America and their tragic expulsion, to explore opportunities for reconciliation, and to participate in educational, cultural and social functions.

Construction
Construction began in 2005, substantially in accordance with the Master Site Plan. By the end of 2011, Phases I and II were completed. Phases III and IV (design subject to change) are ready for implementation, pending funding availability.

• Phase I – Waterfront trails, beach protection, intertidal grotto, the String of Pearls bridge, interpretive signs, landscaping stones, the Path to Gold Mountain, the Sojourner’s Room, landscaping, and Chinese artifacts.

• Phase II – Beach restoration and stabilization, trails and pathways, interpretive signs, furnishings, Chinese garden landscaping, and the Fuzhou Ting (a Chinese pavilion donated by Tacoma’s sister city Fuzhou, China).

• Phase III – Multicultural Pavilion, perimeter fencing, parking lot, lighting, interpretive and wayfinding signage, landscaping and irrigation system improvements, restrooms, and entrance gate.

• Phase IV – Classrooms, courtyard, Reconciliation Hall, Gold Mountain Pavilion, Chinese garden walls, bay-viewing terrace and pond, Tai-Hu stones, waterfall, Zig-zag Bridge, and additional Chinese garden features.

Budget
The current funding need is estimated at $10 million, and increasing, as shown below:

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