

# ALUTIIQ ANCESTORS' MEMORIAL



*This city park in downtown Kodiak honors the Alutiiq people, Kodiak's first residents. It introduces visitors to Native history and tribal efforts to repatriate the remains of ancestors. It was developed in 2019 by the Alutiiq Museum in partnership with the City of Kodiak with guidance from a community advisory committee and over \$200,000 in support from hundreds of community members.*

## Alutiiq Ancestors' Memorial Facts . . .

**.34**

acres in  
downtown Kodiak

**400+**

Park Supporters of  
all heritages

**1239**

Repatriated  
ancestors honored



## Park Development

- Land provided by the City of Kodiak
- Designed and developed by the Alutiiq Museum
- Built with support from individuals, businesses, and tribes
- Features a memorial planter, benches, educational signs, a walkway with engraved bricks, and an archway



## Community Messages

People of all heritages expressed their support for the park by purchasing engraved bricks. Community members, tribes, businesses, and organizations added their names to the memorial, remembered loved ones, and shared personal messages.



## Repatriation

Signs in the park explain Alutiiq history and efforts to repatriate the remains of ancestors taken by researchers and collectors. An archway over the park walkway features 1239 salmon cutouts. Each fish represents the remains of an ancestor returned to Kodiak for reburial. Fish are added to the archway as repatriations continue.

