

8TH STREET BRIDGE PARKS AND TRAILS



The 8th Street Bridge is immediately adjacent to Ritter Park, a hub of recreational activity for the City residents. The Park includes a large fountain, playground, picnic shelter, tennis courts and Activity Center, amphitheater, Rose Garden, and large open space where the city hosts popular annual activities, such as the Fantasy Maze in October.



Within Ritter Park, there is a footbridge and staircase leading to the Rose Garden with its "Room with a View" meeting space. The 8th Street Bridge can be seen from the garden.



View from under the bridge toward Ritter Park.



Memorial Park Trail parallels North Boulevard through the project area, connecting Ritter Park to points west. It is a very popular recreational facility. In 1999, the trail was realigned with wooden ramps and supports to pass under the 8th Street Bridge instead of crossing traffic on 8th Street.



Until the trail can be safely relocated under the new bridge, a temporary crossing will be created and signed during construction.

