

City of Salina, Kansas: 5 Corners Beautification

Project Description: A formerly flat and weed-covered lot was transformed into an area landscaped with low maintenance native plants, grasses, and trees. Due to the location as a north Salina gateway crossroads for vehicles coming off of Interstate 70 and Hwy 40, the area of “5 Corners” was chosen for visual enhancements in the form of art placement and landscaping.

Project Location: 5 Corners, south of Interstate 70, where 9th St, Broadway Blvd, and Pacific Ave converge in Salina, Kansas

Project Sponsor: North Salina Community Development (NSCD)

Project Funding: The Greater Salina Community Foundation provided a \$1000 grant through its “Love Your Community” program where proposed projects are selected by popular vote. Salina Arts & Humanities Foundation and individuals also donated. The iron sculpture, by Larry Meitl, a former Marymount College student of Dick Bergen, was given to NSCD after the land where it resided was deeded to Salina Habitat for Humanity. Volunteers from NSCD, City of Salina, Renaissance Landscapes, Costello Company, Landscape Consultants, KS/NE Conference of the United Methodist Church, and Serving Salina Together donated time and professional skills.

Project Partners: City of Salina, Renaissance Landscapes, Greater Salina Community Foundation, and North Salina Community Development

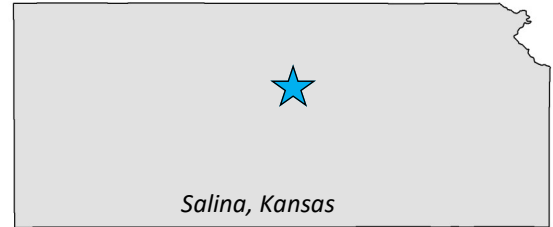
Construction Completed: May, 2014

Key Green Infrastructure Components:

- Low maintenance plants
- Rain garden

Environmental Benefits:

- Slow, hold, and filter rain water, allowing it to soak into the ground
- Keep pollutants from entering nearby storm drains which would flow directly to rivers
- Low maintenance landscaping



Project Costs	
Statue footing	\$150
Footing engineering specs	\$300
Plants & weed barrier	\$3,771
River rock	\$1,123
Mulch	\$480
Landscape fabric staples	\$38
Skid loader/mini excavator	\$579
Dingo & roto-tiller	\$229
Project total:	\$6,670

