



Community-Campus Partnerships

**Center for Environmental Education, Demonstration,
and Applied Research (CE²DAR)**

**Root River Environmental Education
and Community Center (REC)**

Board of Regents
of the University of Wisconsin System

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Center for Community Partnerships

Established 1997

Dean for Community Engagement
& Civic Learning (2005)

Recent Developments

- Carnegie Foundation
Community Engagement
Classification
- President's Civic Honor Roll



CE²DAR and REC: Common Goals

- Increase and improve K-16 and public access to environmental education opportunities.
- Foster and support interdisciplinary environmental research opportunities.
- Demonstrate innovative, ecologically sound residential and commercial products and business practices.
- Build awareness and appreciation for the Great Lakes ecosystem and connected watersheds.

Center for Environmental Education, Demonstration and Applied Research (CE²DAR)

Address: 7825 1st Avenue

Built 1936; placed on
National Registry of
Historic Buildings in 2003

Initial Partner: City of
Kenosha Parks Department



CE²DAR



City Park

Southport Beach House (CE²DAR)

Water Treatment Facility

Kenosha Sand Dunes and Low Prairie

Chiwaukee Prairie

Root River Environmental Education and Community Center (REC)



1301 6th Street
Racine, Wisconsin

Initial Partners: City of
Racine Parks,
Recreation and Cultural
Services Department,
and the River Bend
Nature Center

Root River Environmental Education Community Center

Proposed Root River Environmental Education Community Center (REC)

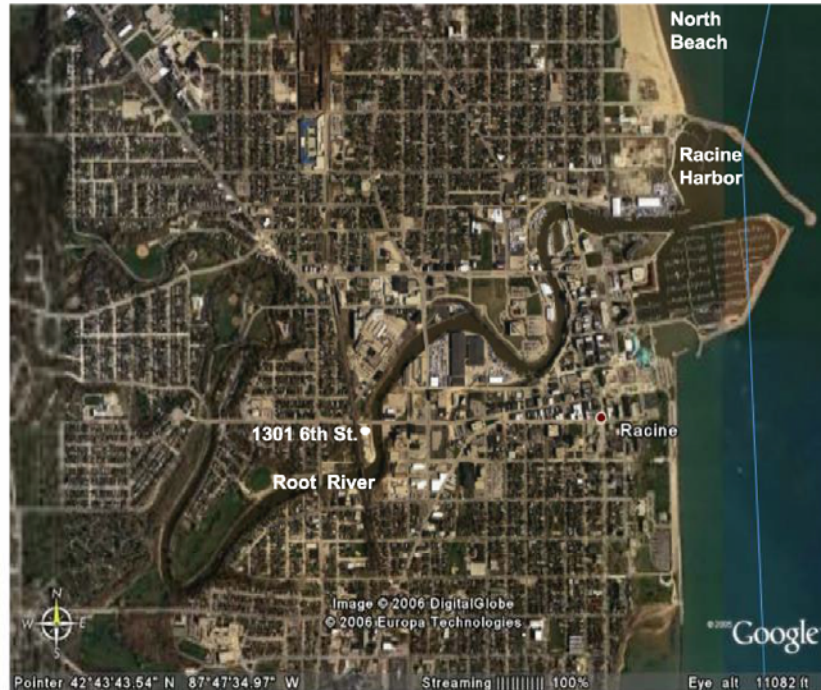


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Next Steps

- Wisconsin Coastal Management Grant
- Expand external partnerships
- Connect to teaching and research
- AmeriCorps*VISTA
- Seek additional external support

Preserving the Past... Fostering a Sustainable Future

