

Rubber Sidewalks

Rubbersidewalks, Inc. is the leading supplier of non-concrete sidewalks in the United States. The revolutionary product was introduced in 1998 as a fundamentally new system: modular sidewalk paving. Rubbersidewalks offers an alternative to concrete: heavy-duty, sidewalk-worthy rubber paving tiles (pavers) made of 100% recycled tire rubber.

FACT SHEET: Rubbersidewalks are a cost-effective and environmentally sound solution to the chronic problems caused by tree-lined sidewalks. Cities across the country struggle with the public safety concerns and financial burdens posed by tree roots lifting concrete sidewalks. Rubbersidewalks' modular sidewalk system allows air and water to easily reach soil below, so trees develop less aggressive roots which can be easily maintained during periodic inspection.

Rubbersidewalks are currently installed nationwide: Over 50,000 square feet in over 60 cities.
Average cost per square foot, including break out and installation: \$15.00
Standard size: 2' x 2.5' x 1.875" / 5 square feet, universal-use size
Installation method: Interconnected, modular system

Cost savings:

- Rubbersidewalks require half the construction crew size of concrete and asphalt sidewalks
- Rubbersidewalks eliminate injury and costly claims for trip and fall accidents
- Concrete sidewalks cannot be "maintained". They must be completely demolished, off hauled, and replaced.
- Rubbersidewalks maintenance is economical
- Rubbersidewalks, Inc. tracks all installation sites for maintenance review, alleviating burden on city

Benefits of Rubbersidewalks:

- Saves the urban forest by eliminating need for tree removal
- Modular system allows pavers to be periodically opened for inspection and easily reinstalled
- Available in assorted shades and textures to resemble concrete, granite or adobecolored pavements
- Reversible pavers, last for at least 12 years of typical usage
- Provides safe passage for all pedestrian and wheeled traffic
- Directs water into soil thus reducing water run-off into storm drain
- Resilient though firm, more comfortable and healthy to walk or jog on
- Absorbs sound, reduces decibel level of foot and wheeled traffic
- Safe, non-toxic and flame resistant
- Can be used in tree wells as well as sidewalks
- Excellent for use in temporary sidewalk situations, such as special events or construction sites

Serves the environment:

- One-square-foot of Rubbersidewalks recycles waste rubber from one passenger tire
- In California alone more than 34 million passenger tires are disposed of each year creating 408 million pounds of waste rubber.
- Each 20 square foot installation saves one tree from removal
- Rubbersidewalks' pavers are recollected and recycled at the end of their life cycle

Headquartered in Gardena, California, Rubbersidewalks, Inc. was founded in 2001 by company president/CEO, Lindsay Smith. The product was invented by Richard Valeriano, public works inspector for the City of Santa Monica, where it was tested for more than three years before being offered to other municipalities. Today, Rubbersidewalks are being installed regularly in cities throughout the United States and Canada including California, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Oregon, New York, New Jersey, Vermont and Washington.

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