Gonzales Community Presbyterian Church

Una Mesa Food Pantry and Segunda Vida Clothing Closet Plaza Paving Project

Una Mesa and Segunda Vida Before Paving Project





The Plaza had a narrow cement walkway and the rest of the area was dirt. The dirt area sloped to the right and there was a drop from the cement walkway that ranged from a few inches to almost 3 feet. Clients who used the facility were crowded into the small cement section and often slipped off the uneven edge of the walkway.







Leveling the Area and the Retaining Wall





Natural Masonry was the contractor hired to complete the project. A retaining wall ranging from a few inches to almost 3 feet tall was created and dirt and sand was brought in to level the area.



Cement Section

The area was leveled to about a 1% slope for water runoff. For better stabilization dark brown colored cement was poured in this area which is about 1/3 of the area.





The cement was stamped with a decorative design that looked like bricks and then highlighted with a second darker color to make the area match the colors of the paver section.



The second section was installed with paving bricks. To help bring the two sides together and to give the pavers a border, the colored cement was poured around the paver section as a border.





Multi-colored pavers were installed in the second section.



Finished Project

The finished project created a large level area for volunteers and clients to utilize. No more tripping, crowding, dust and mud. Future projects will include the memorial bricks pathway, fencing, benches and tables.

