



Veterans Park of Effingham County Restroom Facility Project

Introduction

The Veterans Park Board is a 501(c)(3) whose member base is comprised of a group of citizens who saw a need and desire for a veteran's park in Effingham County. At an impromptu meeting in January of 2001, the planning for a park in Effingham County began. Through many more meetings, an establishment of the park board, out pouring of support from a patriotic community and veterans, Veterans Park of Effingham County (the Park) debuted on Veterans Day of 2003.

Project Summary

Veterans Park of Effingham County is located at 1st St & GA Highway 21 in Springfield, GA and is becoming a popular destination. The Veterans Park Board currently hosts two annual events each year, Memorial Day and Veterans Day. In addition, churches utilizes the Park for events, individuals for weddings and others for varied events. Because of this, we have identified a need to build a permanent restroom facility at the Park and we aim to address two issues with this project. First, we want to reduce any barriers for anyone who may want to participate in events at the Park and cannot due to personal challenges where they might need access to restrooms. An ADA quality, cost-effective and eco-friendly restroom facility will be installed for public use. Second, we would like to conduct more events, like the ones mentioned above, at the Park so more people are able to observe those who honorably served in a branch of the armed services who call Effingham County home. This project will enable us to do that.

All events are scheduled and approved by the Veterans Park Board.

This project will benefit the entire Effingham County community and visitors.

The overall success of this project will be measured by the tracking of attendance at each event and participants enjoyment of the activities.

Project Timeline: 30 days of award-Board Approval; 90 days of award-Break ground; 90 days of award-Install bathrooms; 90 days of award-Open to the public.

Budget

The total budget for the Veterans Park Restroom Facility Project is \$70,000.00. We will utilize the \$25,000 Planters grant to help cover the facility cost. This will cover 35% of our estimated budget of the facility. The Effingham County Board of Commissioners will match the grant by covering the remaining cost for this project.

Task Description	Cost
14'x18' Two single stall family style restroom, CMU, hip roof	\$45,000.00
Site prep	\$5,000.00
Water and sewer utility	\$6,000.00
Water and Sewer Connection Fee (\$2,000 water / \$4,500	\$6,500.00
sewer)	
Design services	\$3,000.00
Contingency	\$4,500.00
TOTAL	\$70,000.00

Conclusion

With this generous Planters Grant, we would be able to improve the social enjoyment for the residents and visitors who chose to tour Veterans Park of Effingham County in remembrance of those citizens who represented our county through their military service. We want park users to have a proper experience at Veterans Park of Effingham County.