THE POWER OF PARKS



Do you know the power of your local parks and recreation? Yes, they provide beautiful green spaces and fun programs, but they do so much more and the benefits are immense. Learn more at www.nrpa.org/power-of-parks and watch the video.



1 ACRE OF TREES absorbs the carbon dioxide produced by DRIVING A CAR 11,000 MILES.

PARKS HAVE HEALTH POWER

Increased access to places for physical activity leads to a

25% increase

in people exercising 3 or more days a week.

PARKS HAVE SAFETY POWER

In Macon, GA, a revitalized park that included new programming and beautification efforts

reduced incidents of crime and violence by

50%.

Sources: Centers for Disease Control, Environmental Protection Agency, American Planning Association



Parks strengthen community ties and bring diverse populations together.

Parks have the power to strengthen communities, transform lives, and protect the future.

Parks are the most powerful aspect of every community.



#PowerOfParks

Grant Programs



https://tpwd.texas.gov/business/grants/recreation-grants/grants-programs

Boating Access Grants

Clean Vessel Act (CVA) Grants

CO-OP Grants



Local Parks Grants

Recreational Trails Grants

Grant Deadlines



Grant Program	Grant Ceiling	Annual Deadline
Boating Access	\$500,000	TBD
Boating Infrastructure	Competitive	TBD
Boat Sewage Pump-out	Competitive	December 31
Community Outdoor Outreach Program	\$60,000	November 1
Local Parks Urban Outdoor Recreation	\$1.5 million	August 1
Local Parks Non-Urban Outdoor Recreation	\$750,000	August 1
Local Parks Small Community Recreation	\$150,000	August 1
Local Parks Urban Indoor Recreation	\$1.5 million	TBD
Local Parks Non-Urban Indoor Recreation	\$1 million	TBD
Recreational Trails	\$300,000	February 1
Target Range Program	Competitive	TBD

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Texas Parks and Wildlife Local Parks Grants

About

The Local Park Grant Program consists of 5 individual programs that assist local units of government with the acquisition and/or development of public recreation areas and facilities throughout the State of Texas. The Program provides 50% matching grants on a reimbursement basis to eligible applicants. All grant assisted sites must be dedicated as parkland in perpetuity, properly maintained and open to the public.

Who We Fund

Eligible applicants include political subdivisions of the State of Texas legally responsible for providing public recreation services to their citizens. This includes cities, counties, river authorities, municipal utility districts, and other special districts. If you have questions regarding eligibility please contact the **Local Park Grants Staff**

Texas Parks and Wildlife Local Grants

When We Fund

Local Parks Grants are funded each year following an annual Fall application deadline. Current deadlines can be found here. Applications will only be accepted through the Recreation Grants Online Grant Management System. Paper applications will not be accepted. Complete applications are evaluated using the Priority Scoring System. Funding recommendations are presented to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission. The Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission makes all final decisions regarding awards of program funds.

How We Are Funded

Funding for the Local Park Grant Program comes from a portion of the state sales tax on sporting goods through the Texas Recreation and Parks Account and the Texas Large County & Municipality Recreation & Parks Account. Additional funds come from off- shore gas royalties through the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Local Parks Grants Scoring Criteria

Local Parks Grants Scoring Criteria

Grant Program	Population	Grant Ceiling
Local Parks Urban Outdoor Recreation	500,000 +	\$1.5 million
Local Parks Non-Urban Outdoor Recreation	500,000 or less	\$750,000
Local Parks Small Community Recreation	20,000 or less	\$150,000
Local Parks Urban Indoor Recreation	500,000 +	\$1.5 million
Local Parks Non-Urban Indoor Recreation	500,000 or less	\$1 million

Texas Parks and Wildlife Recreation Grants Access

Accessing the Recreation Grants Online Grant Management System - RGO 2020

If you wish to apply for one of our currently available grant opportunities, or manage your awarded Recreation Grants project(s), you will need to use **RGO 2020**, our online Grant Management System.

Click HERE to access RGO 2020

tpwd-recgrants.intelligrants.com/login2.aspx

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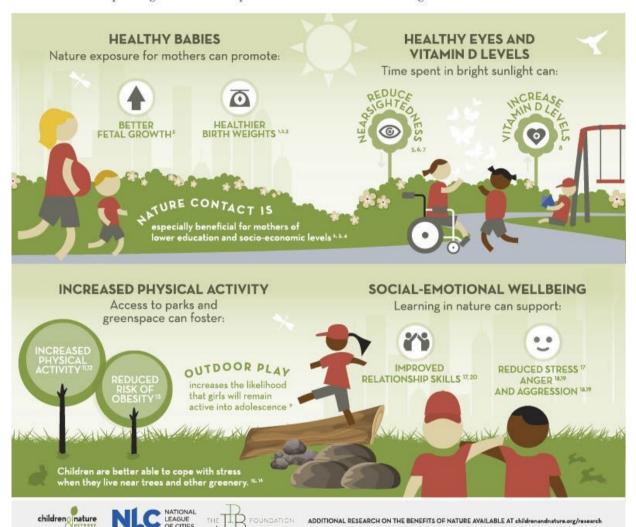
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NATURE CAN IMPROVE HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Spending time in nature provides children with a wide range of health benefits.



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