Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission

September 20, 2023

Agenda Item: 6d Action

Public Comment Allowed: Yes

Topic: Local Government Grant Program - 2023 Small Grant Awards

Presented by: Michele Scalise, Grants and Community Programs Manager

Originally established by the 1999 Legislature under ORS 390.180, the lottery-funded **Local Government Grant Program (LGGP)** is a competitive grant program designed to help local government agencies fund projects to acquire, develop, and rehabilitate local and community parks and public outdoor recreation areas and facilities. Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 736-006 provides structure for the program's implementation.

Eligible applicants to the program are Cities, Counties, Park and Recreation Districts, Port Districts and Metro. Applicant agencies must provide a match of at least 20%, 40% or 50% based on their population.

In past years, the Oregon Constitution requires that at least 12% of OPRD's share of net Lottery proceeds be distributed as community grants. Historically, staff has targeted approximately 50% of the biennium's projected grant funds to be allocated in the first year of the biennium, with the remaining balance allocated for the second year of the biennium. This year (and this biennium) will be somewhat different because LGGP funding has increased from 12% of OPRD's share of Lottery funds to 25%.

The three-member OPRD grants staff scoring committee met August 17, 2023, to review and score small grant requests (requests up to \$75,000). The scoring committee evaluated and ranked project applications based on established criteria including the Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP). There were 13 Small grant applications submitted to OPRD requesting a total of \$825,080 in funding assistance.

Prior Action by Commission: In the second year of the 2021-23 biennium, (the 2022 grant cycle), the Commission approved all 20 Small grant requests recommended by the LGGP Advisory Committee, totaling \$1,192,283.

Action Requested: In the first year of the 2023-25 biennium, (the current 2023 grant cycle), staff seeks Commission approval of the ranking and distribution of Small grant requests recommended by the scoring committee, and to award funds as they are available as detailed on the attached spreadsheet.

Attachments: Item 6d - Attachment A) LGGP Small Grant Recommendations / Ranking Item 6d - Attachment B) LGGP Small Grant Award Map

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Local Government Grant Program (LGGP) Project Ranking

Small Grant Requests (up to \$75,000)

\$2,525,000 Available for Grant Awards (Projected)

Rank	Project Name	Applicant	County	Brief Project Description	Total Project Cost	Grant Funds Requested
1	Nature Park Vine Maple Trail	Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District	Washington	The project will repave the existing main section of the Vine Maple Trail at Tualatin Hills Nature Park in Beaverton, Oregon.	\$144,000	\$72,000
2	Jasper Slough Wildlife Viewpoint	Willamalane Park and Recreation District	Lane	The project will construct a wildlife viewing area, add picnic tables, bike racks and interpretive signage, and restore native vegetation at Jasper Slough along the Mill Race Path in Springfield, Oregon.	\$112,760	\$56,380
3	Fred Lindstrom Park Enhancements	City of Astoria	Clatsop	The project will resurface pickleball/tennis courts, resurface the basketball court, add a picnic shelter, replace lighting with LED fixtures, replace fences and fitness/play equipment at Fred Lindstrom Park in Astoria, Oregon.	\$162,000	\$65,000
4	Eagle Park Development - Phase 1	City of Harrisburg	Linn	The project will develop a new 43,000 sq. foot dog park with a smaller, small dog area inside, a parking area with signage, and a nature trail at Eagle Park in Harrisburg, Oregon.	\$96,166	\$75,000
5	Waterfront Park Restrooms	City of Wheeler	Tillamook	The project will replace the existing restroom building with a new accessible restroom building at Waterfront Park in Wheeler, Oregon.	\$220,000	\$75,000
6	Amity City Park Walking Path	City of Amity	Yamhill	The project will rehabilitate the existing walking path by installing a compacted crushed gravel surface bordered by edging material at Amity City Park in Amity, Oregon.	\$93,800	\$75,000
7	Woodburn Centennial Dog Park Improvements Project	City of Woodburn	Marion	The project will improve the existing dog park by adding new turf and irrigation, a shelter with seating, shade trees and benches, new lighting and signage, a water station and agility training equipment at Centennial Park in Woodburn, Oregon.	\$150,000	\$75,000
8	Happy Valley Playfield and Park Rehabilitation	City of Happy Valley	Clackamas	The project will replace 4 sets of community bleachers, 6 soccer goals, and 59 waste receptacles at Happy Valley Park in Happy Valley, Oregon.	\$91,688	\$40,500
9	Rufus Courts	City of Rufus	Sherman	The project will resurface tennis courts and line them for pickleball, and install new posts and nets at City Park in Rufus, Oregon.	\$62,250	\$49,800
10	Pioneer Park Pump Track	City of La Grande	Union	The project will build an asphalt pump track attached to the existing skate park at Pioneer Park in La Grande, Oregon.	\$180,173	\$75,000

11	Gearhart	City of	Clatsop	The project will resurface the City's existing	\$20,500	\$16,400	
		Gearhart		basketball court, tennis court, and combination			
	Courts			tennis/pickleball court at the Water Treatment			
	Rehabilitation			Facility Recreation Area in Gearhart, Oregon.			
12	Veneta Territorial Park Pickleball Court	City of Veneta	Lane	The project will add four pickle ball courts, including new nets and posts, fencing, benches and sidewalks to Territorial Park in Veneta, Oregon.	\$151,831	\$75,000	
13	T off of Bullwoll	Port of Bandon	Coos	The project will construct new accessible restrooms with showers, on the Port of Bandon Boardwalk concrete pier in Bandon, Oregon.	\$150,000	\$75,000	
Total Project Costs							
Total Small Grant Awards							

NOTE: There is enough funding available in the Small Grant allocation to fund all Small Grant requests.

