

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Anchorage Park Foundation****Federal Tax ID: 412205907****Project Title:****Project Type: Remodel, Reconstruction and Upgrades**

Anchorage Park Foundation - Scenic Park, Muldoon Neighborhood Park Repair

State Funding Requested: \$83,000**House District: Anchorage Areawide (16-32)**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

This is a safe route to school project through parklands to Scenic Park Elementary School. Work can be completed with Youth Employment in Parks crews.

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	\$123,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$0)
FY2013 State Funding Request:	(\$83,000)
Project Deficit:	\$40,000

Funding Details:

We will ask Rasmuson Foundation for \$40,000 to apply to this project as part of APF's 2013 Clean & Green projects.

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

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This project is a priority of the Scenic Foothills Community Council.

Project Timeline:

Summer 2013

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Municipality of Anchorage

Grant Recipient Contact Information:

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? Yes No

Anchorage Park Foundation

Since 2004, the Anchorage Park Foundation has invested more than \$18 million in Anchorage parks, trails and recreation programs. Join us this summer to revitalize parks in your district.

Volunteers



Improve Parks



Build Stronger Neighborhoods



And Build a Stronger Anchorage



2012

CAPIS Project Number

57897

Legislative District: 21K

Anchorage Park Foundation

Anchorage has 10,946 acres of municipal parkland, 223 parks, and over 250 miles of trails and greenbelts linking neighborhoods with natural spaces.

The Anchorage Park Foundation partners with the Parks & Recreation Department to promote Healthy Parks and Healthy People in the Anchorage community. Together, we revitalize the safety, function, and appearance of Anchorage parks and the neighborhoods that surround them.

The Anchorage Park Foundation mobilizes public support and financial resources for Anchorage parks, trails, and recreation opportunities. Do you have a vision for parks, trails, open spaces and recreation in Anchorage? Consider the Anchorage Park Foundation your opportunity to fund community projects through public-private partnerships.

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Scenic Park

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Scenic Park Fix It List Priorities

- Safe Route to School from park trail to Scenic Park Elementary
- Resurface tennis courts and fix net
- Re-paint picnic tables to cover graffiti
- Re-paint swing set; install new play equipment
- Level dip inside court and re-paint park bench



Project Cost Estimate

Project Budget	Cost
Repair Trail to School (YEP)	\$30,000
New Tennis Net and Repaint Surface	\$40,000
New Picnic Tables	\$13,000
Repair Playground	\$40,000
TOTAL	\$123,000

2012 Request

State Funding Request	\$83,000
Funding Left to Raise	\$40,000

*If funding from the AK Legislature is secured for this project, the Anchorage Park Foundation will ask the Rasmuson Foundation for \$40,000

Total Project Budget: \$123,000



Scenic Park

**Scenic Foothills Community Council
Capital Improvement Plan for 2012**

1. 32nd Avenue Upgrade – Muldoon Road to Bookridge Drive
 - a. The Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) Project Management and Engineering’s (PM&E) design consultant PTS is currently working on the 65% level Plans, Specifications, and Engineer’s Estimate (PS&E). The final design and development of construction documents should be completed in Spring 2011.
 - b. State grant money was vetoed by Governor Parnell in 2010. \$3.4 million in funding is required to construct this project. The Municipality plans to request \$3.0 million from the State in 2011. The MOA also intends to pursue ARDSA bonds \$1.7 million in 2012 and \$1.8 million in 2013. These amounts would be reduced or eliminated if State grant funds is received.
2. Totem Fields – Park/ASD Partnership – Phase II. This is an ongoing project to develop existing municipal land in order to provide soccer facilities to address the lack of such facilities in the south Muldoon area. Parking and access is of particular concern with the potential sale of Totem Theaters with their extensive parking near this property.
3. Pioneer Drive Upgrade
 - a. The MOA PM&E design consultant PTS is currently working on the design.
 - b. The MOA is planning to request a \$2.4 million State Grant in 2012 to construct this project.
4. 36th Avenue Resurfacing – Patterson to Muldoon.
 - a. This work is scheduled for Summer 2011 and the repaving will be performed by DOT&PF M&O Section.
 - b. Thirty-sixth Avenue is owned by the State and maintained by the MOA. The proposed 36th Avenue project would fall into what is known as a Road Transfer Project. Generally roadways are upgraded to meet MOA street standards and the ownership of the road rights-of-way is transferred from the State to the MOA after the improvements are constructed.
 - c. The MOA is planning to request a \$2.4 million State Grant in 2014. This is not enough funds to design the project, to relocate any buried and aboveground utilities, and to construct the improvements.
5. Scenic Park Curb Replacement at selected driveways to improve access is scheduled for Summer 2011.
6. Old Muldoon Road Upgrade – 36th Avenue to 32nd Avenue.
 - a. Old Muldoon Road is owned by the State and maintained by the MOA. The proposed project would be categorized as a road transfer project. As such, Old Muldoon Road should be upgraded to meet current municipal standards before transferring ownership to the MOA.
 - b. Residents along this road corridor are concerned about speeding vehicles. Especially after ownership of Creekside Church was transferred to Wayland Baptist University. In addition, the

- Foothills Storage is in the design stages of a redevelopment project that will generate additional vehicle trips on Old Muldoon as well.
- c. An upgrade of Old Muldoon Road should include pedestrian facilities, traffic calming, continuous lighting and storm drainage.
7. Scenic Park Elementary School – Safe Routes to School Improvements.
 - a. The goal for the Safe Routes to School Program is to increase the number of children safely walking and biking to school. Scenic Park Elementary was awarded a small federal grant in 2010 to gather information and identify issues and solutions.
 - b. Additional funds are needed for design of the proposed solutions, to develop construction bid documents and to construct the improvements.
 - c. This project enable and encourage children, including those with disabilities, to walk and bicycle to school; to make walking and bicycling to school safe and more appealing; and will improve safety, reduce traffic, fuel consumption, and air pollution in the vicinity of the school.
 8. Pleasant Valley Subdivision road and drainage upgrades (this area is bounded by 32nd – to 36th: from Muldoon – to Cherry or Shamrock Streets)
 - a. Ref. MOA Grid SW1641 for project location and area.
 - b. Pussywillow Street, from 36th Avenue to 32nd Avenue should be upgraded from a local road to a collector road to improve internal traffic circulation and handle the volume of traffic that cuts through this neighborhood.
 9. Add a southbound right-turn lane from Muldoon Road to westbound 36th Avenue. This project will improve safety by separating slowing turning vehicles from speeding through traffic. Traffic on this segment of Muldoon Road often are often traveling in excess of 50 mph.
 10. Baxter Road Upgrades – Tudor Rd to Northern Lights Blvd.
 - a. Road section is showing signs of frost heaving and settling.
 - b. Pedestrian facilities do not meet current accessibility standards.
 - c. Ingress/Egress Access at Baxter Elementary is problematic and is a safety concern.
 11. Northern Lights Blvd Surface Rehabilitation – Bragaw to Muldoon
 - a. The Municipality plans to request \$3.2 million from the state legislature in 2012; If the legislative request is not approved, the Municipality will pursue \$300k in bond funds in 2014, \$2.0 million in 2016, and probably another \$1.0 million after 2016.
 12. Far North Bicentennial Park Trail Improvements
 - a. New trail head is proposed off of Pioneer Dr or Regal Mountain Drive.
 13. Miscellaneous Drainage Improvements
 - a. Scenic Park
 - b. Chugach Foothills

14. Miscellaneous Park Improvements

- a. Scenic Park
- b. Chugach Foothills

15. Other

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Parks and Recreation Department



Phone: 907-343-4562

Mayor Dan Sullivan

January 31, 2012

Alaska State Legislature-

The Municipality of Anchorage Parks & Recreation Department, the Assembly, and the Mayor have pledged their support for the projects listed below. While you will find these projects listed in the Municipality of Anchorage 2012 State Legislative Program Booklet, please note the Anchorage Park Foundation is requesting the funds and will be the primary grant recipient.

The Anchorage Parks and Recreation Department works closely with the Anchorage Park Foundation in our efforts to improve and maintain our park assets with volunteers, private and public funding.

As an Ex-Officio Board Member to the Anchorage Park Foundation, I am informed about all policies and programs. I support each project listed, and urge your continued support sustaining the world class recreation opportunities in Anchorage.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John Rodda".

John Rodda, Parks and Recreation Director

NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS 2012 LEGISLATIVE REQUESTS

These Neighborhood Parks have been identified for repair rehabilitation by neighbors during the 2011 Parks Report Card process. APF plans to work with individual legislators and their constituents to acquire private and public funding and volunteer support for these fix-its.

- Scenic Park, Muldoon Neighborhood Park Repair and Youth Employment in Parks Trail Work TPS, 57897
APF Ask: \$83,000
- Storck Park, Rabbit Creek/Bear Valley Neighborhood Park Renovation TPS 57898
APF Ask: \$200,000
- Forsythe Park, O'Malley TPS 57989
APF Ask: \$180,000
- Arctic Benson Park, East Spenard Park Safety Upgrades TPS 57991
APF Ask: \$83,000
- Kiwanis Fish Creek Park, Spenard TPS 57993
APF Ask: \$160,000
- Campbell Park, Replace Aging Playground Equipment, TPS 57821
APF Ask: \$200,000
- Fairbanks Park, Replace Unsafe Toddler Playground Equipment, Fairview TPS 57884
APF Ask: \$50,000
- Fairview Lions Park, Replace Aging Playground Equipment, Fairview TPS 57885
APF Ask: \$200,000

ANCHORAGE PARKS & TRAILS 2012 LEGISLATIVE REQUESTS

- Davis Park Athletic Field Upgrades with Polar Little League, Mountain View TPS 56090
APF Ask: \$500,000
- Elderberry Park Rehabilitation & Safety Upgrades, Downtown TPS 57899
APF Ask: \$300,000
- NE Anchorage Skate Park, TPS 57997
APF Ask: \$250,000
- Rovers Run Trail Reroute, Far North Bicentennial Park TPS 57975
APF Ask: \$75,000
- Ruth Arcand Park, Equestrian Trail Rehabilitation with Youth Employment in Parks TPS 57996
APF Ask: \$25,000
- Coastal Trail Surface and Safety Improvements, TPS 57896
APF Ask: \$1,000,000
- Mulchahy Rinks Reconstruction at Chester Creek Sports Complex, TPS 55319
APF Ask: \$250,000
- Downtown Streetscapes, TPS 55368
APF Ask \$310,000
- Campbell Creek Estuary, Build Trail and Trailhead for Public Access with Youth Employment in Parks TPS 56998
APF Ask: \$200,000

ADDITIONAL FUNDING REQUEST FOR PLAYGROUND PROJECT

The North Russian Jack Springs Park project was not identified for a legislative proposal until after the Assembly voted on their 2012 State Legislative Program. This project has had ample community involvement, and Phase I of construction is planned for 2012. The APF requests \$300,000 to complete the project as an iconic Anchorage play area.