



2014 LPRF, Town of Farragut

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“Without the grants funds from LPRF and the Department and Environment and Conservation we would not have been able to build the state of the art pool complex. The cooperation between the state and the City of Loretto made this project a success. ”

*Mayor Jesse Turner
Town of Loretto*

Local Parks & Recreation Fund

Partnership Act of 1991

TCA 67-4-409

(i) LOCAL PARKS LAND ACQUISITION FUND.

(1) One and three-fourths cents (0.0175) of the tax levied by subsection (a) shall be credited to a special agency account in the state general fund known as the "local parks land acquisition fund." The moneys in this fund shall be used only for grants to county and municipal Governments to implement and carry out the purposes set forth in subdivision (i)(3). Funds deposited in such fund shall not revert at the end of the fiscal year, and all interest accruing on investments and deposits of the fund not otherwise expended shall be returned to and made a part of the fund.

(2) (A) The Commissioner of Environment and Conservation, the Commissioner of Agriculture, and the Director of the Wildlife Resources Agency shall jointly establish priorities for the appropriate allocation of funds deposited in the local parks land acquisition fund. No project shall receive any such funds unless each such official has approved such expenditure. Such officials shall consider applications from county and municipal governments throughout the state.

(B) At least sixty percent (60%) of the funds allocated annually shall go to municipal governments.

(3) County and municipal governments may use the funds allocated under this section for the purchase of land for parks, natural areas, greenways and for the purchase of land for recreation facilities. Such funds may also be used for trail development and capital projects in parks, natural areas, and greenways.

(4) (A) Any county or municipal government that receives a grant under this section must match the grant with an equal amount of money for each project. The matching money provided by the local government may be used to purchase additional land or to develop facilities on the land that is purchased with the grant. Rather than providing matching money, the local government may provide as its match a tract of land not previously used for park or recreational purposes that will be dedicated entirely for park or recreational purposes after receipt of the grant and that is independently appraised as having the same, or greater, value as the amount of the state grant.

(B) Rather than providing matching money, the local government may also provide as all or part of its match volunteer services, materials, and equipment which are donated to the local government by a third party at the time the state grant is made, which are used for trail construction or other development on the tract of land for which the state grant is sought, and which are valued in a manner specified by the department.

(5) If an application from a county or municipal government has been submitted for a grant from the local parks land acquisition fund and the county or municipal government subsequently purchases the land or constructs the trail for which the grant was sought before the grant is acted upon, the grant may still be awarded a reimbursement: provided, that the application was submitted by the local government no more than twelve (12) months prior to the award of the grant.

(6) The Commissioner of Environment and Conservation, the Commissioner of Agriculture and the Director of the Wildlife Resources Agency may promulgate Regulations to implement this subsection.

(7) No funds deposited in the local parks land acquisition fund from the tax levied by subsection (a) shall be obligated or expended to acquire any interest in real property through condemnation or the power of eminent domain.

LPRF Program: Investing in Communities & Promoting Economic Growth

The Local Parks and Recreation Partnership Act of 1991 created the Local Parks Land Acquisition Fund. One and three-fourths cents (1.75) of the tax levied as the Real Estate Recordation Tax is credited to a special agency account in the state general fund known as the “local parks land acquisition fund.” The funds are used for a grant program to county and municipal governments for acquisition of land for public recreation and development of public recreation facilities.

The LPRF grant was devised as a 50/50 matching grant. The state would provide 50 percent of the cost of a project with the local government matching this amount in money, donations, volunteer labor, donated materials, grantee staff workforce of local government, and any combination of these matches. A community may use the appraised value of property, not previously used for recreation, as a match for development funding from the state.

A community need not have a large population or even a large budget to qualify for a grant, just the commitment to public recreation through planning and providing safe and compliant public recreation facilities, the dedication to generate improvements and expand opportunities for their citizens, and the desire to increase their attractiveness for economic and tourism development.

Between 1991 and 2016, Recreation Educational Services (RES) administered 19 grant cycles that established seven hundred sixty-eight (768) LPRF projects across the State of Tennessee. RES made the decision in Fiscal Year 2001-02 to conduct a grant cycle every other year. The establishment of two years between each grant cycle allowed for an increase in the maximum grant award to address the rising cost of construction, provide more time for communities to complete a grant project and thus allow eligibility for a grant award in the next grant cycle, and increase the attention and supervision RES staff could devote to the LPRF grant projects.

By the Numbers...

- *The distribution of LPRF grant funding covers the State of Tennessee. Since 1991, as of the 2016 cycle all **95** Tennessee counties have received LPRF funding*
- *The period of 1991-2016 saw an investment of **\$88,422,000+** dollars of state funding for new park land acquisitions and recreational facilities improvement and development.*
- *In the 2016 grant cycle, **25** out of **56** LPRF grants were awarded to communities with less than **5,000** in population.*
- *The **\$15,772,000** in LPRF funds awarded in the 2016 cycle will leverage that same amount in local commitment to create a total investment of more than **\$30 million** for parks and recreation in communities across Tennessee.*

In the 28 years since the inception of the LPRF grant program, communities across Tennessee (rural, suburban, and urban) have experienced dramatic improvements to their local parks and recreation facilities. These LPRF funded projects from 1991-2016 included: improvements for Americans with Disability Act compliance, new and renovated playgrounds, renovation and construction of pools, greenways and trails, ball fields, skate parks, restroom/concession buildings, spray-grounds, nature centers, soccer fields, tennis courts, picnic shelters, community centers, basketball courts, cultural art facilities, sustainable and energy efficient recreation items, and park land acquisitions.

These improvements positively impacted the quality of life for residents, increased visitation and tourism, and generated additional economic activity in their communities. The tourism dollars and additional sales tax revenue that communities generate from improved recreation facilities is significant. The LPRF program stimulates local economies through attracting visitors to tournaments, special events, water parks and pools, greenways and trails, and skate parks to name just a few. Investments through LPRF also aid communities in keeping sales tax dollars in their community and directly impacting their services areas and programs.

West

Tennessee

Communities in West Tennessee continue to expand park acreage, enhance existing recreation facilities and provide new and diverse recreation opportunities with the start of construction and completion of LPRF projects. The project highlighted below is a great example of West Tennessee meeting the needs of its citizens.



“The State of Tennessee LPRF program is very valuable to our community. The program has provided our city with multiple opportunities to enhance our park expansions. We have been able to provide playground equipment to service not only our citizens but our students which are located adjacent to our park, as well as, pavilion areas and much needed parking. With the current grant, we are building a splash pad-the first in our area. The benefits of this program have enhanced the quality of life for our citizens and we thank you for the ability to provide these amenities through the LPRF program.”

*Mayor Vance Coleman
CITY OF MEDINA*

Middle

Tennessee

The LPRF projects in Middle Tennessee were very diverse with emphasis on new park development and the renovation of older obsolete parks and facilities into new uses to serve the growing communities. An example of a community being dedicated to improving existing facilities with a renovation allows a popular aged facility in a recreation system to be revitalized and meet current regulations and compliances.



2014 LPRF – Shelbyville Never Rest Park Pavilion Shelter Replacement Ribbon Cutting

East

Tennessee

LPRF grants in East Tennessee have renovated existing recreation facilities, built playgrounds, trails, basketball courts, restroom facilities, tennis courts, ballfield complexes, multi-purpose fields, pavilions, and have been used to acquire land dedicated to public recreation. The project in progress below will assist Lenoir City in providing a new park in the downtown corridor with the main component being an inclusive playground for the community and its visitors.



"The Local Parks and Recreation Fund has meant a lot in advancing the quality of life for the people of Lenoir City. These grant funds have allowed us to build, renovate and refurbish many parks and recreation facilities. We really appreciate the funding that has been made available to us through the LPRF for past and present projects and look forward to making use of these grant funds in the future."

*Mayor Tony Aikens
City of Lenoir City, TN*

2010 LPRF Project Status

Grantee	Project Title	Project Description	Grant Amount	Region	Progress/Complete
Carroll County/Town of Huntingdon	Carroll County Lake	Carroll County Lake - Phase 2	\$190,000.00	West	C
Jonesborough, Town of	Persimmon Ridge Park	Persimmon Ridge Park Fac. Imp & Lost St. Scenic Walkway N Ext.	\$145,000.00	East	C
Kingsport, City of	Lynn View	Athletic Field Lighting at Lynn View Community Center	\$131,000.00	East	C
Knox County Parks & Recreation	Clayton Park	Phase 1 - Clayton Park Development Project	\$120,000.00	East	C
Marshall County	Berlin Springs	Berlin Springs Pavilion	\$11,000.00	Middle	C
Newport, City of	Newport City Park	Swimming Pool/Basketball Court/Tennis Court Improvements	\$73,000.00	East	C
Paris, City of	McNeill Park	Restrooms/Concession Building	\$44,000.00	West	C
Rutherford, Town of	Jones Volunteer Park & Rutherford City Pool	Park Renovations	\$14,000.00	West	C
Trenton, City of	Trenton Downtown Pedestrian Park	Trenton Downtown Pedestrian Park Development	\$26,000.00	West	C

2012 LPRF Project Status

Grantee	Project Title	Project Description	Grant Amount	Region	Progress/Complete
Anderson County	Marlow Park	Park Improvements	22,000.00	East	C
Ardmore, City of	Ardmore Park	Baseball diamond light rehabilitation	50,000.00	Middle	C
Atoka, Town of	Nancy Lane Park and Pond Park	New Playground at Nancy Lane Park and Amphitheater at Pond Park	250,000.00	West	C
Bean Station, City of	City Park and Memorial Park	Acquisition and Development of park	130,000.00	East	C
Brownsville, City of	Tamm Park and Volunteer Park	Tamm Park Development Project & Volunteer Park Access Road Improvements	150,000.00	West	C
Carroll County	Carroll County Civic Center and Fairgrounds	Civic Center Improvements	78,000.00	West	C
Charleston, City of	Charleston City Park	Charleston City Park Improvements	75,000.00	East	C
Cleveland, City of	Mosby Park	Mosby Park Pool Renovation	250,000.00	East	C
Columbia, City of	Ridley Park Athletic Complex	Rotary playground at Ridley Park	15,000.00	Middle	C
Cornersville, Town of	Cornersville Town Park	Town of Cornersville Playground Equipment	20,000.00	Middle	C
Covington, City of	Cobb Parr Park	Cobb Parr Park Enhancement Phase I	250,000.00	West	C
Erwin, Town of	Erwin Rail Yard	Erwin Rail Yard Playground and Stake Plaza	127,000.00	East	C
Goodlettsville, City of	Peay Park	Development Project	250,000.00	Middle	C
Hamblen County	Cherokee Park	Cherokee Park Splash Pad Project	250,000.00	East	C
Henderson County	Darden Community Center Park	"Rivers Edge" Development Project	175,000.00	West	C
Henderson, City of	Gene Record Memorial Park	Gene Record Memorial Park Improvements	100,000.00	West	C
Huntingdon, Town of	Kelly Sports Complex Addition and Veterans Park Playground	Recreation Improvements	175,000.00	West	C
Huntsville, Town of	Flat Creek Park	Flat Creek Park Development	65,000.00	East	C

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Kimball, Town of	Kimball Park	TN River Boat Ramp & Softball Field Lighting at Kimball Park	\$250,000.00	Middle	C
Lookout Mountain, Town of	Town Commons	Town Commons Recreation Area Renovations	\$100,000.00	East	C
Madison County	Leeper Lane Park	Leeper Lane Park Development	\$250,000.00	West	C
Manchester, City of	Manchester Sports Park	Soccer Complex Phase I	\$175,000.00	Middle	C
Maury County	Maury County Park	Maury County Multi-Purpose Field and Open Space	\$25,000.00	Middle	C
McKenzie, City of	McKenzie City Park II	McKenzie City Park II Development	\$152,000.00	West	C
Medina, City of	Medina Community Park Complex	Park Improvements	\$84,000.00	West	C
Munford, City of	Munford Hope Park	Munford Hope Park	\$250,000.00	West	C
Murfreesboro, City of	West View Mini Park	West View Mini Park	\$75,000.00	Middle	C
New Tazewell, Town of	Gose Park	Gose Park Improvements	\$144,000.00	East	C
Oakdale, Town of	Oakdale Town Park	Oakdale Development Project	\$65,000.00	East	C
Oliver Springs, Town of	Carmichael Park and Arrowhead Park	Oliver Springs Acquisition and Development Project	\$100,000.00	East	C
Oneida, Town of	Bear Creek Park and Oneida Town Park	Oneida Development Project	\$250,000.00	East	C
Parsons, City of	Parsons Community Park	Parsons Community Park Development	\$250,000.00	West	C
Plainview, City of	Plainview City Park	Plainview Development Project	\$40,000.00	East	C
Pleasant View, Town of	Pleasant View Community Park	Pleasant View Community Park Development - Phase II	\$250,000.00	Middle	C
Roane County	Roane County Park	Roane County Park Playground Improvement	\$50,000.00	East	C
Savannah, City of	Tennessee Street Park	Tennessee Street Park Development	\$197,000.00	Middle	C
Selmer, City of	Dixie Park	Dixie Park Development	\$117,000.00	West	C
Shelbyville, City of	Never Rest Park	Never Rest Park ADA Playground Replacement	\$25,000.00	Middle	C
Silerton, City of	Silerton Community Park	Silerton Community Park Development	\$15,000.00	West	C
South Fulton	South Fulton Downtown Park	South Fulton Downtown Park	\$250,000.00	West	C
Toone, Town of	Toone City Park	Toone City Park Improvements	\$18,000.00	West	C

Grantee	Project Title	Project Description	Grant Amount	Region	Progress/Complete
Vonore, Town of	Heritage Park	Heritage Park Ballfield Development	\$250,000.00	East	C
White County	Ravenscroft Mine Preserve	Ravenscroft Mine Interpretive Trail	\$25,000.00	Middle	C
White Pine, Town of	Lions Park & Legions Park	Improvements to Lions Park & Legions Park	\$116,000.00	East	C
Winchester, City of	Brown Spurlock	Brown Spurlock Park, Tennis and Basketball Court Improvements	\$34,000.00	Middle	C

2014 LPRF Project Status

Grantee	Project Title	Project Description	Grant Amount	Region	Progress/Complete
Arlington, Town of	Forrest Street Park	Forest Street Park - Phase I	\$250,000.00	West	C
Bolivar, City of	Proposed - Hatchie Town River Park and Nature Center	Hatchie Town River Park and Nature Center	\$60,000.00	West	C
Carroll County Watershed Authority	Carroll County One Thousand Acre Recreation Lake	Carroll County Watershed Authority RV Park	\$250,000.00	West	P
Church Hill, Town of	Church Hill City Park	Church Hill City Park - land acquisition	\$183,000.00	East	C
Collierville, Town of	Robbins-Halle Nature Preserve	Wolf River Boulevard Greenbelt Trail	\$250,000.00	West	P
Dayton, City of	Delaware Avenue Complex, Cedar Point Park, Point Park Walking Track	Dayton Recreation Enhancement Project	\$189,000.00	West	P
Decherd, City of	John L. Sanders Ball Park	Decherd Babe Ruth Ballfield Light Replacement	\$80,000.00	Middle	P
Englewood, Town of	Englewood Park	Englewood Public Pool Improvements	\$50,000.00	East	P
Etowah, City of	Etowah City Park	Etowah City Park Splash Pad	\$50,000.00	East	C
Farragut, Town of	Mayor Bob Leonard Park	Mayor Bob Leonard Park Playground Renovation	\$43,000.00	East	C
Fayetteville, City of	Kiwanis Park and Don Davidson Lion's Club Park	Fayetteville Parks Renovations	\$70,000.00	Middle	C
Gatlinburg, City of	Mills Park	Mills Park Recreational Improvements	\$98,000.00	East	C
Germantown, City of	Bobby Lanier Farm Park	The Hay Barn Pavilion - Farm Based Education and Event Center	\$208,000.00	West	P
Greeneville, Town of	Eastview Recreation Center	Eastview Splash Park	\$125,000.00	East	P
Halls, Town of	Kevan Ward Park and Crichfield Park	Town of Halls - Concession Building and Playground Upgrades	\$185,000.00	West	P
Hamilton County	Enterprise South Nature Park	Equestrian Trails	\$230,000.00	East	P

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Hardin County	Hank Deberry Ball Complex	Hank Deberry Ball Complex Light System Replacement Project	\$250,000.00	West	C
Johnson City, City of	Johnson City Rotary Park	Boundless Playground Rotary Park	\$250,000.00	East	P
Kingston, City of	Gertrude Porter Park	Kingston Parks Development	\$250,000.00	East	P
LaFollette, City of	Liberty Park and Dr. Lee Sergeant Park	LaFollette Development Project	\$128,000.00	East	C
Lawrenceburg, City of	Lawrenceburg Rotary Park	Lawrenceburg Rotary Park Improvements	\$101,000.00	West	P
Lenoir City, City of	Lenoir City Central Park	Lenoir City Central Park Development	\$250,000.00	East	P
Lewisburg, City of	Lewisburg Recreation Center	City of Lewisburg Public Outdoor Pool Renovation	\$50,000.00	West	C
Lexington, City of	Guy B. Amus Park	Swimming Pool Improvement Project	\$245,000.00	West	C
Livingston, Town of	Central Park	Central Park Development	\$250,000.00	Middle	P
Loretto, City of	Loretto City Park	Loretto Swimming Pool Construction Project	\$250,000.00	West	C
Luttrell, City of	Luttrell City Park	Luttrell Park Improvements	\$100,000.00	East	P
Maryville, City of	John Sevier Pool	John Sevier Pool Renovations	\$250,000.00	East	P
McKenzie, City of	Train Depot Park	Train Depot Park Splash Pad	\$250,000.00	West	P
Niota, City of	Kenneth Gable Memorial Park	Kenneth Gable Memorial Park Playground Improvements	\$25,000.00	East	P
Overton County	Hanging Limb Recreation Center	Hanging Limb Recreation Center Improvements	\$32,000.00	Middle	P
Pulaski, City of	Magazine Park	Magazine Park Improvements	\$208,000.00	West	C
Selmer, Town of	Dixie Park	Dixie Park, Phase II	\$236,000.00	West	C
Shelbyville, City of	Never Rest Park	Never Rest Park Pavilion Shelter Replacement	\$34,000.00	Middle	C
Smith County	Crump Paris Park	Smith County Crump Paris Park Renovations	\$60,000.00	Middle	P
Smyrna, Town of	Westfork Drive Neighborhood Park	Westfork Drive Neighborhood Park Development	\$250,000.00	Middle	P
White Bluff, Town of	Bibb-White Bluff Civic Center	Civic Center Site Development	\$250,000.00	West	P
Whitwell, City of	Whitwell City Park Improvements	Whitwell City Park Improvements	\$34,000.00	East	P

2016

LPRF Grant Cycle

Application Process:

Recreation Educational Services (RES) promoted the LPRF 2016 grant applications through notices on the division web page, through media releases, and electronic notifications to every city and county government. The deadline for the 2016 applications was April 21, 2016. The maximum grant award amount was increased to \$500,000 for this cycle. The Parks and Recreation Technical Advisory Service (PARTAS) section of RES conducted regional application workshops in Jackson, Nashville and Knoxville to instruct communities, grant writers, and parks directors on what information was necessary as part of the grant application and the grants process.

Application Results:

The LPRF applications for the 2016 grant cycle were due on April 21, 2016, and RES received **90** applications. The PARTAS staff visited the site of each applicant for evaluation and scoring. A recommended funding list was submitted to the Commissioner of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) and Governor Haslam. A total of **56** grants were awarded totaling **\$15.8 million**. RES hosted a grant award ceremony on October 12, 2016, at the War Memorial Auditorium in downtown Nashville for legislators and city and county mayors to accept a ceremonial check from Governor Haslam, TDEC Commissioner Martineau and Deputy Commissioner of Parks and Conservation Brock Hill.

“The Local Parks and Recreation Fund and Recreational Trail Program grants help TDEC partner with local communities to develop park and recreational facilities that encourage our citizens and attract visitors to experience the outdoors in Tennessee.”

- Governor Bill Haslam



City of Bradford received an \$84,000 LPRF grant for Bradford Park playground renovations. (L-R) TDEC Deputy Commissioner Brock Hill; Gov. Bill Haslam; Mayor Ray Arnold; City Recorder Melissa Workman; Public Works Director J.D. Dethloff; Rep. Curtis Halford; TDEC Commissioner Bob Martineau

RES staff conducted regional workshops September 7-13, 2016, to assist grantees in meeting the requirements for completion of their project and how to receive reimbursements. Each community was represented at a workshop and received an LPRF manual on CD that contains all necessary forms and information for successful completion of their grant project. The placement of the LPRF grant manual on CD saved money in printing costs and provided an easier resource for local communities to use in preparing reimbursement forms and as a reference tool for use on their computers. We also produced a post-completion manual for LPRF funded projects which contains all the information about maintaining their site in compliance with state and federal regulations. (Grant Project Workshop files included on disk)

2016

LPRF Grant Awards

Grantee	Project Title	Project Description	Grant Amount	Region
Adamsville, City of	Buford Pusser Memorial Park Improvements	Improvements to Buford Pusser Memorial Park including tennis courts, playground and restroom facility	\$380,000.00	West
Arlington, Town of	Forrest Street Park Phase 2 and 3	Construction of restroom/concession facility, irrigation, extension of road and walking trail	\$500,000.00	West
Athens, City of	Splash Pad Phase 1 Construction	Design and phase 1 installation of a splash pad at the Athens Regional Park	\$150,000.00	East
Atoka, Town of	Pioneer Park Expansion Phase 1	Pioneer Park expansion	\$500,000.00	West
Bartlett, City of	W.J. Freeman Park Master Plan Ph. 1	Freeman Park development	\$500,000.00	West
Bells, City of	Save Bells Theater Phase 1	Convert the theater into a leisure recreational venue	\$380,000.00	West
Big Sandy, Town of	Big Sandy City Park Improvements PH 1	1. Installation of new Little League Teeball I Softball Field; 2. Upgrade to existing Babe Ruth Baseball Field; 3. Installation of new restroom I concessions facility; 4. Installation of new Playground Equipment and Swing set; 5. Upgrade to existing Basketball Court; 6. Installation of BBQ Grills; 7. Improvements to ADA accessibility; 8. Installation of Surveillance I Security System	\$224,000.00	West
Bolivar, City of	Hatchie River Park and Nature Center Development	The proposed project is the renovations and up-grading of the former restaurant building on the property as well as the building of a 1,000 sq ft. facility for outdoor rental of bikes, canoes, fishing gear, etc.	\$286,000.00	West
Bradford, City of	Bradford Park Playground Renovation	Replace the existing components with a playground system, a 20' x 20' shade structure, two picnic tables, two benches, and one litter receptacle.	\$84,000.00	West
Bulls Gap, Town of	Park Development	Develop two previously purchased adjoining tracts of land into a public park	\$100,000.00	East
Byrdstown, Town of	Byrdstown Community Park	Construct a community park	\$250,000.00	Middle
Camden, City of	Camden City Park Improvements	Make improvements at three locations within the City Park	\$264,000.00	West
Church Hill, City of	Rifer Recreation Park Phase 1	Access road, the primary parking lot, and a large indoor recreation facility	\$500,000.00	East
Clarksburg, City of	Clarksburg City Park	Make improvements to Clarksburg City Park	\$38,000.00	West

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Clarksville, City of	Swan Lake Aquatic Center and Kids Splash Park	Renovation of 50 meter pool, bathhouse, replace outdated kiddie pool with splash area, parking lot refurbishment, sidewalks, perimeter fencing and lighting at Swan Lake Aquatic Center	\$488,000.00	Middle
Cleveland, City of	Tinsley Park Tennis Court Renovation	Enhancement of seven (7) tennis courts located within the park	\$500,000.00	East
Cookeville, City of	Park View Skate Park	Construct a 12,000 square foot concrete skate park at the site of the former Park View Pool, and will renovate the old pool house for use as accessible rest rooms and support areas	\$400,000.00	Middle
Crossville, City of	Garrison Park Re-development	Re-develop the City's Garrison Park	\$500,000.00	East
Decaturville, City of	Decaturville City Park Development	Development of a city park	\$100,000.00	West
Dunlap, City of	Harris Park Phase 2	Design and construction of ADA-compliant men's and women's restrooms, interactive water feature(s), civic plaza space, a family pavilion, and lighting.	\$500,000.00	East
Elizabethton, City of	Splash Pad	Construct a splash pad at Franklin Pool to replace an aging children's pool at the site	\$100,000.00	East
Farragut, Town of	Renovation of Athletic Field, Restroom and Construction of Parking	Conversion of a rectangular natural turf field to synthetic turf, the reconstruction of a restroom to meet ADA compliance and additional user load, and the construction of an additional lighted parking lot.	\$500,000.00	East
Goodlettsville, City of	Peay Park Re-development	Re-develop a portion of Peay Park	\$300,000.00	Middle
Grainger County	Ball Field Development	Construction of two new ballfields with dugouts and bleachers, restroom facility, parking facilities and accessible walkways	\$250,000.00	East
Gruetli-Laager, Town of	Volunteer Park Improvements	Make improvements to the tennis/basketball courts and one baseball field at Volunteer Park.	\$92,000.00	Middle
Hendersonville, City of	Arrowhead Park Phase 2 Development	Construct a complex building that will house restrooms, concessions, storage and a pavilion.	\$500,000.00	Middle
Houston County	Danville Landing Recreation Area Phase 2	Construction of a concrete boardwalk and landing area along TN River, including primitive as well as RV/trailer camping areas, camping amenities, gravel parking and campsite roadway. At campsite #2, construction of a pavilion with concrete floor, a bathhouse facility addition with upgrades to the existing restroom and parking area. A new asphalt entrance road off Danville Loop. Upgraded utilities. ADA compliant access paths and ADA ramping.	\$250,000.00	Middle

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Huntingdon, Town of	Kelly Sports Complex Phase 2	Make improvements and new developments at the Kelley Sports Complex.	\$250,000.00	West
Huntsville, Town of	Flat Creek Park & Huntsville Community Center Swimming Pool	Make improvements at the Town's Flat Creek Park, as well as the Community Center Swimming Pool	\$102,000.00	East
Jonesborough, Town of	Lincoln Avenue Community Park Development	Develop 3.46 acres of existing Town property into a community park.	\$500,000.00	East
Kimball, Town of	Playground, Softball Complex Storage, Restroom Facility	Add a new 20 x 30 equipment storage facility, replace outdated and dangerous playground equipment, add a unisex restroom facility near the soccer fields, and pave a portion of the secondary entrance way near the proposed playground to improve access and add a parking area near the playground with ADA access.	\$138,000.00	East
Knox County	I.C. King Park Phase 1 Improvements	Picnic shelter, dog park, playground, restrooms, parking and new trail access.	\$500,000.00	East
Lafollette, City of	Dr. Lee Sergeant Park	Make improvements at Dr. Lee Sergeant Park	\$48,000.00	East
Loretto, City of	Swimming Complex Water Slide	Construct a water slide with amenities for the newly constructed Loretto Swimming Pool Complex	\$50,000.00	Middle
Manchester, City of	Phase 2 Soccer Complex	Extend and pave parking areas in the park, develop another soccer field as a practice area, build a retention pond to use for irrigation of the fields, create a butterfly garden around the retention pond	\$105,000.00	Middle
Maury County	Maury County Park Improvements	Construct restrooms at Hampshire Park, expand the existing playground and construct a new playground at Williams Spring Park, and develop the recently acquired Yanahli Natural Area.	\$500,000.00	Middle
Medina, City of	Park Improvements	Construct a Splash Pad at the Medina Community Park	\$250,000.00	West
Millington, City of	Discovery Nature Park	Discovery Nature Park will be a vibrant, inclusive, interactive recreation destination for citizens of all ages and abilities to enjoy daily.	\$500,000.00	West
Morristown, City of	Multiple Park Improvements	Shelter and amenities replacements, playground replacements, trail expansions, paving trails and parking lots for ADA improvements, and restroom upgrade to improve accessibility.	\$500,000.00	East
Murfreesboro, City of	Jordan Farm Soccer Facility Amenities	This project will add a restroom building and picnic pavilion, as well as sidewalks, a plaza, and site furnishings.	\$250,000.00	Middle
Oliver Springs, Town of	Carmichael Ballfield Development	Construction of a new ballfield with dugouts, bleachers, parking facilities, accessible walkways and an approximate quarter-mile walking trail.	\$100,000.00	East

Grantee	Project Title	Project Description	Grant Amount	Region
Oliver Springs, Town of	Carmichael Ballfield Development	Construction of a new ballfield with dugouts, bleachers, parking facilities, accessible walkways and an approximate quarter-mile walking trail.	\$100,000.00	East
Oneida, Town of	Bear Creek Development	Development of a walking trail, lighting for the three remaining ball fields, development of an additional parking lot, paving a secondary entrance road, and sealing/stripping all existing parking areas.	\$200,000.00	East
Palmer, Town of	Palmer Community Park Improvements	Replace outdated playground equipment, install an ADA parking spot and ADA accessible path to the new playground equipment	\$18,000.00	East
Parsons, City of	Parsons Regional Community Park Improvements	Develop a playground area with new surfacing, a picnic pavilion with solar panels on the roof, a splash pad with water features, 2 practice baseball/softball fields and an ADA accessible route to practice fields at the Park.	\$296,000.00	West
Pittman Center, Town of	City Hall Park Pavilion and Restroom	Construct a pavilion, ADA compliant restrooms, kitchen area, fireplace, sitting area	\$43,000.00	East
Ripley, City of	Cleveland and Ripley City Parks	Make improvements at two existing City parks	\$75,000.00	West
Rockwood, City of	Brickyard Springs park and Douglas Wilson Community Center Improvements	Address improvements to the Douglas E. Wilson Community Center and Brickyard Springs Park	\$125,000.00	East
Savannah, City of	Multi-Facility Recreational Projects	Improvements at Savannah City Park and Tennessee Street Park	\$500,000.00	West
Shelbyville, City of	H.V. Griffin Park Skate Park Improvements	Recondition the existing features, add new features, add lighting, an accessible sidewalk and parking space	\$104,000.00	Middle
Sweetwater, City of	Engleman Park PH 2 Improvements	Pavilion, parking, restrooms, an ADA compliant walking path and a splash pad. The swings will also be replaced.	\$353,000.00	East
Tazewell, Town of	Municipal Park Splash Pad	Construction of an ADA accessible splash pad with site amenities surrounding the splash pad.	\$75,000.00	East
Tracy City, Town of	Old Tracy City School Gym Development	Make improvements to the gymnasium at the former Grundy County High School	\$121,000.00	Middle
Union City, City of	Graham Park Splash and Sake Park Addition	Construct splash park, skate park, and parking facilities at Graham Park in Union City	\$500,000.00	West
Van Buren County	Van Buren County Park	Create a community park located in the center of Spencer	\$220,000.00	Middle

Grantee	Project Title	Project Description	Grant Amount	Region
White House, City of	Municipal Recreation Complex Playground and Amphitheater	ADA accessible playground and amphitheater	\$500,000.00	Middle

2016 Local Parks and Recreation Fund Grant Awards



West TN Region

City of Adamsville
 City of Arlington
 Town of Atoka
 City of Bartlett
 City of Bells
 City of Big Sandy
 City of Bolivar
 City of Bradford
 City of Camden
 City of Clarksburg
 City of Decaturville
 Town of Huntingdon
 City of Medina
 City of Millington
 City of Parsons
 City of Ripley
 City of Savannah
 City of Union City

Middle TN Region

Town of Byrdstown
 City of Clarksville
 City of Cookeville
 City of Goodlettsville
 City of Grueti-Laager
 City of Hendersonville
 City of Loretto
 City of Manchester
 City of Murfreesboro
 City of Shelbyville
 Town of Tracy City
 City of White House
 Houston County
 Maury County
 Van Buren County

East TN Region

City of Athens
 Town of Bulls Gap
 City of Church Hill
 City of Cleveland
 City of Crossville
 City of Dunlap
 City of Elizabethton
 City of Farragut
 Town of Huntsville
 Town of Jonesborough
 Town of Kimball
 City of LaFollette
 City of Morristown
 Town of Oliver Springs
 Town of Oneida
 Town of Palmer
 Town of Pittman Center
 City of Rockwood
 City of Sweetwater
 Town of Tazewell
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2015-2016

Local Parks Acquisition Fund Balance

LOCAL PARKS ACQUISITION FUND BALANCE SHEET
JANUARY 1, 2015 THRU DECEMBER 31, 2016

Fund Balance January 1, 2015 **\$18,632,168.14**

Revenues

Real Estate Transfer Tax:	
Jan. 1, 2015 - June 30, 2015	3,046,880.44
Real Estate Transfer Tax:	
July 1, 2015 - June 2016	7,143,445.74
Real Estate Transfer Tax:	
July 1, 2016 – Sept. 30, 2016 (actual)	2,070,862.88
Real Estate Transfer Tax:	
Oct. 1, 2016 - Dec. 31, 2016 (estimated)	<u>2,000,000.00</u>
Total	\$14,261,189.06

Interest Earned on Fund

Jan. 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016 (actual)	52,050.09
July 1, 2016 – Dec. 31, 2016 (estimated)	<u>22,000.00</u>
Total	\$74,050.09

Total Revenues **\$14,335,239.15**

Expenditures and Obligations

Expenditures:	
Jan. 1, 2015 – Oct. 31, 2016	(\$6,119,223.79)
Nov. – Dec. 2016 (estimate)	(\$900,000.00)
Total Expenditures	(\$7,019,223.79)

Obligations:	
Remaining thru 12-31-16	(\$2,094,992.08)
New grants & grant administration beginning	(\$15,947,000.00)
Total Obligations	(\$18,041,992.08)

Total Expenditures and Obligations (est.) **(\$25,061,215.87)**

Estimated Fund Balance December 31, 2016 **\$7,906,191.42**

*Budgetary figures represent financial data reports available at the time of printing.

(RTP)

Recreation Trails Program



Legacy Park – RTP
Baker Creek (Biker Alan Mueller)



Legacy Park – RTP
Bell Joyride (Biker, Josh Sawyer)

"Baker Creek Preserve has become a regional destination for visitors and the first pick for outdoor adventurers and families living in Knoxville. The seven trails we were built using RTP funding and provided the spark for additional grants, donated goods and services, and hundreds of volunteer hours. The 100-acres of land donated to Legacy Parks Foundation now also features a kids adventure play park, world class-downhill trails, two bike pump tracks and a connection to the existing 42 miles of trails in Knoxville's Urban Wilderness. Our RTP grant truly got the entire project started."

*Carol Evans, Executive Director
Legacy Parks Foundation*

About the federal Recreational Trails Program (RTP):

The U.S. Department of Transportation manages the Recreational Trails Program through the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). The RTP is a State-administered, Federal-aid program. Each state receives RTP dollars based upon a predetermined formula. Half of the funds are distributed equally among all States, the other half of the funds are distributed in proportion to the estimated amount of off-road recreation fuel use in each State – fuel used for off-road recreation by snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles, off-road motorcycles, and off-road light trucks. It is the federal fuel tax revenue from these recreation vehicles that funds the RTP. The RTP is a User Pay, User Benefits program. Governor Haslam designated the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation's Recreation Educational Services (TDEC-RES) to administer the program.

In 2012, Congress authorized new two-year transportation funding legislation as the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21). This bill was passed by Congress on June 29, 2012 and signed by President Obama on July 6, 2012 as Public Law 112-141. In December, 2014, Congress re-authorized MAP-21 for an additional year through September 30, 2015. MAP-21 remained in place until the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act was passed by Congress and signed into law by President Obama on December 5, 2015.

The FAST Act authorizes funds over five years, from FY 2016 through FY 2020. The RTP is funded as a set aside allocation in the Transportation Alternates Program. The RTP is funded by the federal gas tax used by Off Highway Vehicles and these funds are used for Administration, Education and Motorized, Non-motorized and Diverse Use trail projects.

Recreational Trails Program funds may be used for:

- Development and rehabilitation of trails, trailhead and trailside facilities. These are trail components and/or associated facilities which serve the purpose of constructing sustainable, low maintenance items such as: drainage, stream crossings, stabilization, parking, signage, erosion control, water supply, sanitary and access facilities.
- Lease/rental of trail construction and maintenance equipment. Any new equipment purchased must be used 100% for trail related tasks, be justified and meet Buy America requirements.
- Construction of new trails (certain restrictions for new trails on Federal lands).
- Acquisition of permanent public use easements or fee simple title for property for recreational trails or recreational trail corridors. Must be a willing seller (no eminent domain) and follow the federal Uniform Act for Land acquisition and Relocation requirements.

2010 RTP Project Status

Grantee	Project Title	Project Description	Grant Amount	Region	Progress/Complete
Tennessee State Parks	Big Hill Pond State Park	Big Hill Pond - Boardwalk & Observation Tower Rehab	\$80,000.00	West	C
Tennessee State Parks	Big Cypress - Phase II of Boardwalk Construction	Construction of phase II of the boardwalk adjacent to the Obion River floodplain.	\$100,000.00	West	C

2011 RTP Project Status

Grantee	Project Title	Project Description	Grant Amount	Region	Progress/Complete
Athens, City of	Athens Regional Park	Mouse Creek Trail Development & Restoration	\$120,000.00	East	C
Clarksville, City of	Heritage Park	Greenway Connection	\$120,000.00	Middle	C
Franklin, City of	The Park at Harlinsdale Farm	Franklin Blueway and Equestrian Connection	\$120,000.00	Middle	P
Greeneville	Hardin Park	Hardin Park Trail and Restrooms	\$120,000.00	East	C
Newport, City of	Newport Park and Float Park	Newport Park and Float Facility Acquisition and Development	\$89,600.00	East	C
Kingsport, City of	Kingsport Greenbelt	Kingsport Buffalo Grassland Section	\$120,000.00	East	P
Overton Park Conservancy	N/A	Overton Park - Broad Street Connector Trail	\$88,400.00	West	C
TSP - Henry Horton State Park	Henry Horton State Park	Duck River Blueway Access & Egress Enhancements	\$26,000.00	Middle	C
TSP - Natchez Trace State Park	Natchez Trace State Park	Red Leaves Trail	\$16,000.00	West	C

2013 RTP Project Status

Grantee	Park Name	Project Description	Grant Amount Awarded	Region	Progress/Complete
Cocke County	Pigeon River Access Site	Pigeon River Rafting Access Ramps and Improvements	\$150,000.00	East	C
Cumberland County	Obed River Park	Cumberland County - No Excuses, Use it & Lose It	\$30,000.00	East	P
Doe Mountain Recreation Area Authority	Doe Mountain Recreation Authority	Improving Public Access to Doe Mountain Recreation Area	\$196,000.00	East	P
Dresden, City of	Dresden Green Rail Trail	Dresden Green Rail Trail Phase 2	\$200,000.00	West	P
Kenton, City of	Kenton City Park	Kenton City Trail Improvements	\$160,040.00	West	C
Legacy Parks Foundation	Knoxville Urban Wilderness	Legacy Parks Foundation Introductory Trails	\$200,000.00	East	P
Martin, City of	Brian Brown Memorial Greenway	Brian Brown Memorial Greenway, Phase II Extension	\$200,000.00	West	P
McNairy County/ Town of Selmer	Selmer City Park	Repaving of Selmer City Park Walking Trail	\$52,000.00	West	P
Mountain Goat Trail Alliance	Mountain Goat Trail	Tracy City-Palmer Connector	\$200,000.00	Middle	P
Rossville, Town of	Rossville City Park	Rossville City Park Nature Trail	\$200,000.00	West	C
Shelby Farms Park Conservancy	Shelby Farms Park	Tour de Wolf Trail Restoration Project	\$40,000.00	West	P
Sparta, City of	Sparta River Trail Park and Sparta Cemetery	Sparta River Bridge and Trail	\$176,000.00	Middle	P
Surgoinsville, Town of	Creekside Park & Riverside Park	Surgoinsville Creekside Trail and Restroom Facility	\$120,000.00	East	P
TSP - David Crockett State Park	David Crockett State Park	David Crockett State Park Trail System Upgrade	\$120,000.00	Middle	P
Urban Century Institute	N/A	Trail Building Training Courses	\$40,000.00	Middle	C

2014 RTP Project Status

Grantee	Project Title	Project Description	Grant Amount	Region	Progress/Complete
Charleston-Calhoun-Hiwassee Historical Society	National Historic Trail Experience	Trail development, trailhead parking, trail signs.	\$200,000.00	East	P
Cherokee National Forest, Tellico District	Citico and Starr Mtn. Equestrian Trails Project	Trail development, trailhead parking (4 areas), trail signs, trail bridges (1).	\$200,000.00	East	P
Cumberland Mountain State Park	New Lakeside Trail	Trail development of 2,000 Linear Feet of 5' wide, trailhead parking.	\$200,000.00	East	P
Milan, City of	Milan City Park Recreational Trail	Build 7,500 Linear Feet by 10 feet wide paved trail, trailhead and trailside amenities.	\$200,000.00	West	P
Monterey, City of	Phase II - Monterey Section, Tennessee Central Heritage Rail Trail	Develop 1,305 Linear Feet of 10' wide paved trail from the Library to Burke Middle School.	\$90,000.00	Middle	P
Portland, City of	Richland Park Hike & Bike Trail	Develop 3,000 Linear Feet of 8' wide gravel trail, 10,000 Linear Feet of 3' wide natural surface trail, trailhead parking and signs.	\$94,000.00	Middle	P
TSP - Reelfoot Lake State Park	Kiwanis Playtrail	Paved trail with physical activity areas, restroom ADA compliance, trailhead parking and trailside amenities.	\$180,000.00	West	P
TSP - Tim's Ford State Park	Tims Ford State Park Blueways and Trails Plan	Water trail campsite renovation, backcountry campsite development, trail reroute/rehab.	\$42,000.00	Middle	P

2016

RTP Grant Cycle

In 2016, RES awarded 11 Recreational Trail Program (RTP) grants for a total of \$1.7 million. RTP grants require a 20% match from the community and local funding can consist of cash, donations of materials, donation of land, volunteer labor, and grant staff workforce. The maximum grant award in the 2016 RTP cycle was \$200,000. Once again, RTP grant requests exceeded available RTP funds in 2016, which reflects the demand for trails and greenways is growing in communities across the state. The RTP program allows state and federal agencies to apply for funding. In 2016, four state parks received an RTP grant: Norris Dam, Rocky Fork, Cedars of Lebanon, and Montgomery Bell State Park.

“Recreational Trail Program grants provide funds to enhance a variety of trails and amenities, enabling our communities to expand recreational opportunities and promote healthy living initiatives.”

TDEC Commissioner Bob Martineau

2016

RTP Grant Awards

Grantee	Project Title	Project Description	Grant Amount	Region
Alcoa, City of	Alcoa Greenway Trail System Improvements	Restroom facility on the Alcoa Greenway Trail that surrounds Park Island	\$111,000.00	East
Brownsville, City of	Brownsville Bond Park	Acquire land to develop walking trail; trail head pavilion; fitness equipment area; parking lot; site amenities and ADA accessible walkways and surfaces	\$200,000.00	West
Cedars of Lebanon State Park	Trail Renovation and Accessibility	Renovate trail system including the addition of trailhead kiosks and improved signs	\$175,000.00	Middle
Jackson, City of	Liberty Garden Walking Trail Renovation	Replace a 5' asphalt walking trail with a 10' trail	\$100,000.00	West
Luttrell, City of	Trail Development at Luttrell City Park	Continue trail development at the Luttrell City Park. Including the addition of a new trail parking lot, extension of a walking trail to the new parking lot, as well as resurfacing the existing walking trail.	\$168,360.00	East
McMinn County/City of Athens	Eureka Trail Phase II	Purchase an abandoned CSX rail line to extend the Eureka Trail	\$200,000.00	East
Montgomery Bell State Park	ADA paved trail	ADA accessible paved trail around ball field, into the campground and through the woods towards visitor center; outdoor fitness equipment; ADA accessible picnic tables, and interpretive signage following themes of nature, history and conservation	\$200,000.00	Middle
Norris Dam State Park	Expansion of Multi-Purpose Non-Motorized Trail System	Trail cutting equipment for building and maintaining hiking/biking trails; trail dedicated hand tools, three new trails to link existing trails to increase capacity and link users to the campgrounds; repair existing trails and train volunteers.	\$84,000.00	East
Rocky Fork State Park	Rocky Fork Creek Bridge	Purchase prefabricated powder-coated aluminum bridge and necessary hardware; concrete bridge abutments; rental of boom forklift and skid steer to assist with assembly; trail construction and maintenance to be used at the ingress and egress of proposed bridge and for search and rescue emergency medical response for visitors on the trail.	\$111,000.00	East

Grantee	Project Title	Project Description	Grant Amount	Region
Tellico Plains, Town of	Trail Resurfacing	Expansion and widening of the existing trail, adding amenities to the trailhead and constructing a new ADA compliant restroom facility for the trailhead. This project will require engineering services and consultation that will be included in this grant.	\$110,000.00	East
Troy, Town of	Trojan Park	Widening of an existing walking track and necessary site work such as grading, drainage, and bank stabilization. The construction of an outdoor fitness cluster and other trail amenities. ADA accessibility improvements such as access walkways and parking will also be included.	\$200,000.00	West

2016 Recreational Trails Program Grant Awards



West TN Region

City of Brownsville
City of Jackson
City of Troy

Middle TN Region

Cedars of Lebanon State Park
Montgomery Bell State Park

East TN Region

City of Alcoa
City of Luttrell
City of Sevierville
Town of Tellico Plains
McMinn County
Norms Dam State Park
Rocky Fork State Park

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