

APPENDIX
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PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

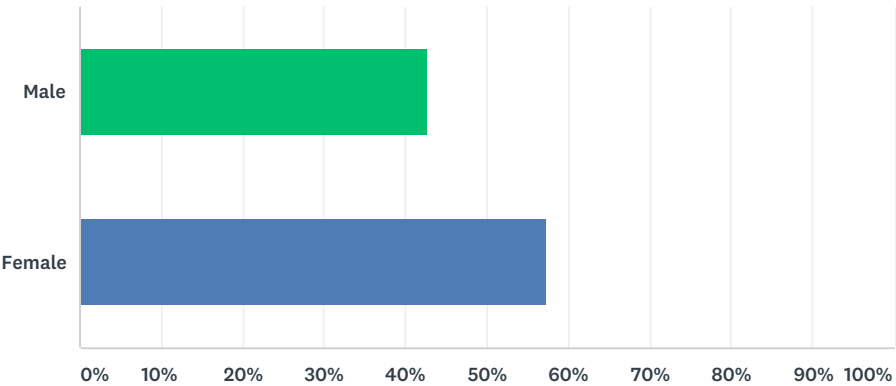


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SURVEY RESULTS

Q1 Are you male or female?

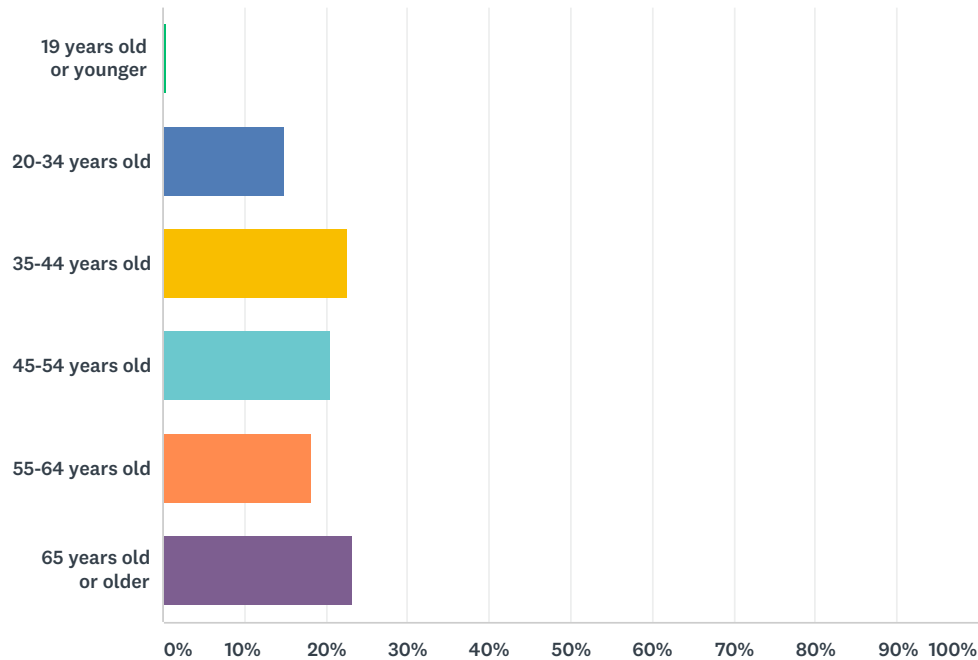
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ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
Male		42.78%	225
Female		57.22%	301
TOTAL			526

Q2 What is your approximate age?

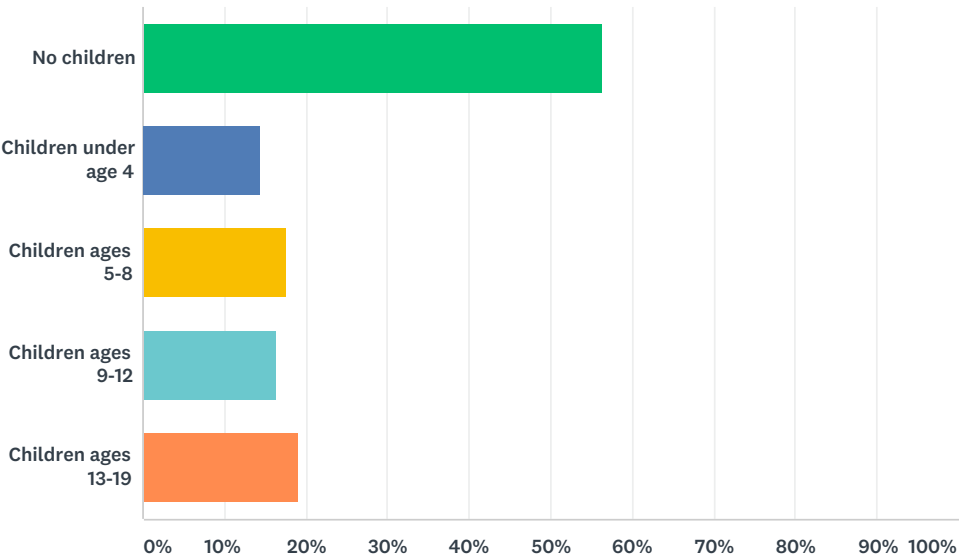
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
19 years old or younger	0.38%	2
20-34 years old	14.86%	78
35-44 years old	22.67%	119
45-54 years old	20.57%	108
55-64 years old	18.29%	96
65 years old or older	23.24%	122
TOTAL		525

Q3 Do you have any children under the age of 19 living in your home?
Check all that apply. Leave blank if you do not live in Williamson County.

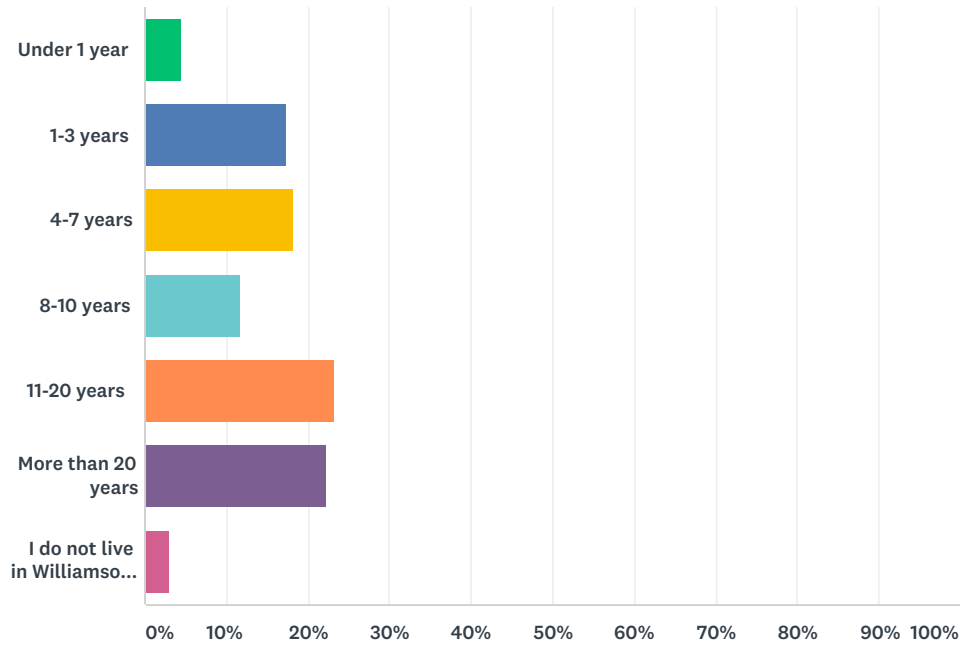
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
No children	56.18%	291
Children under age 4	14.48%	75
Children ages 5-8	17.57%	91
Children ages 9-12	16.22%	84
Children ages 13-19	19.11%	99
Total Respondents: 518		

Q4 How long have you lived in Williamson County?

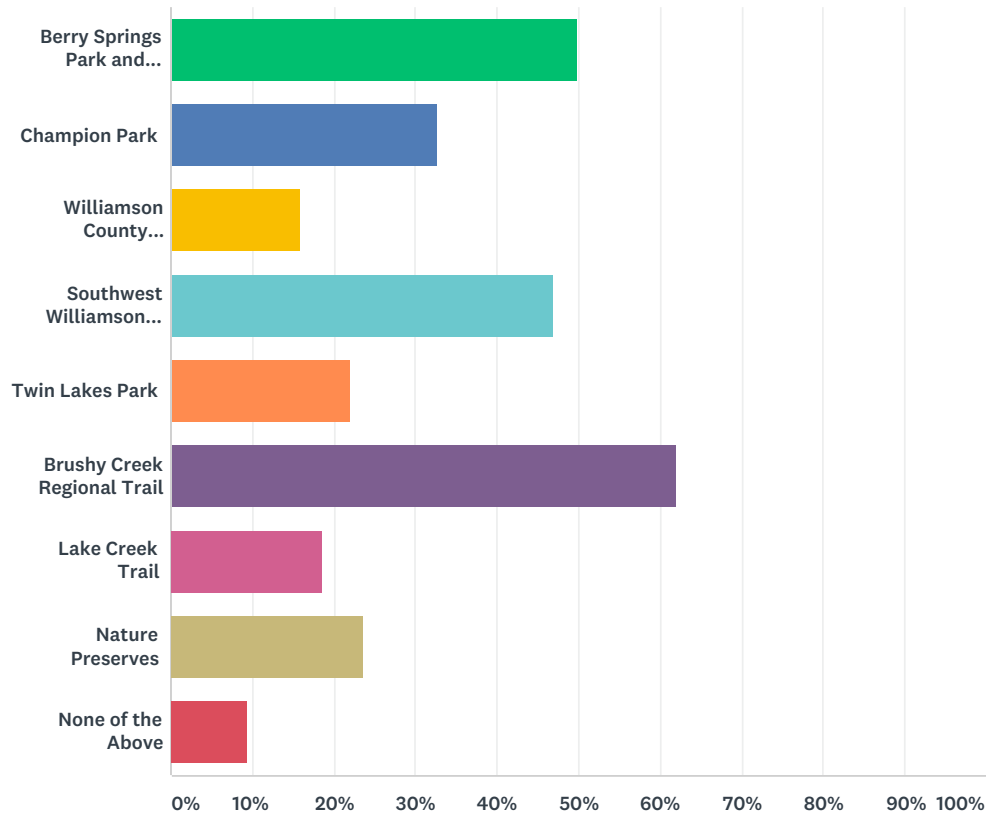
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Under 1 year	4.42%	23
1-3 years	17.31%	90
4-7 years	18.27%	95
8-10 years	11.73%	61
11-20 years	23.27%	121
More than 20 years	22.12%	115
I do not live in Williamson County	2.88%	15
TOTAL		520

Q5 Which of the following parks or facilities have you or a member of your household used in the last year? Please select all that apply.

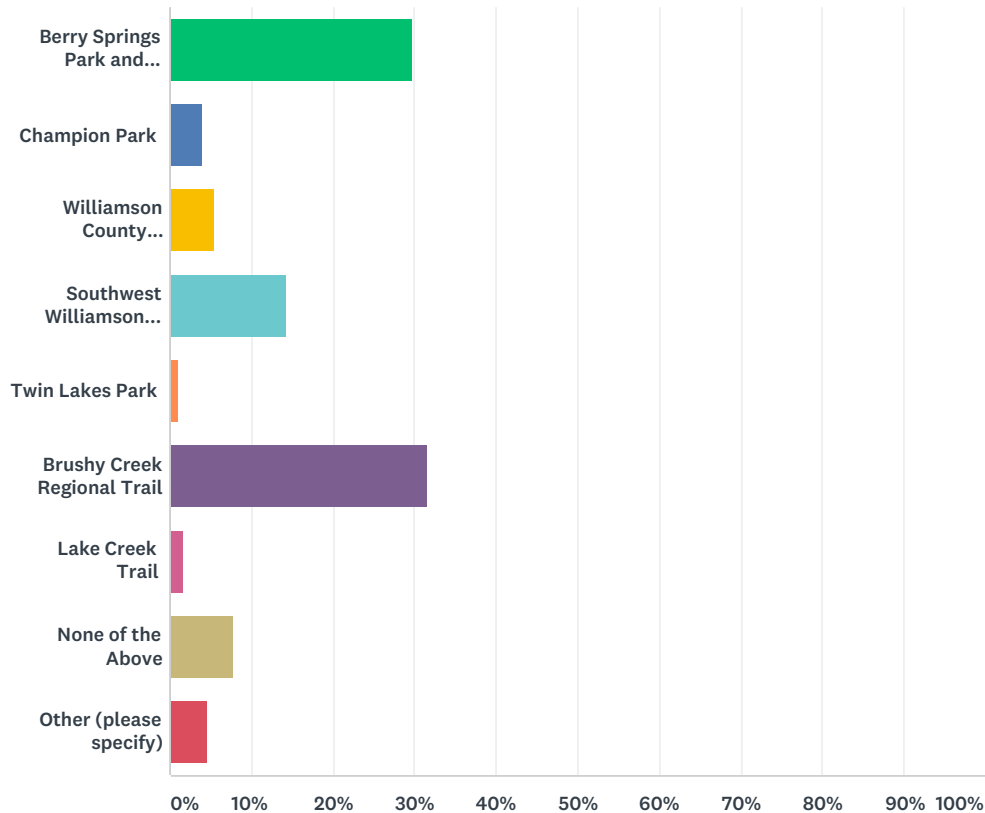
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Berry Springs Park and Preserve	49.69%	239
Champion Park	32.64%	157
Williamson County Exposition Center	15.80%	76
Southwest Williamson County Regional Park	46.78%	225
Twin Lakes Park	22.04%	106
Brushy Creek Regional Trail	61.95%	298
Lake Creek Trail	18.71%	90
Nature Preserves	23.70%	114
None of the Above	9.36%	45
Total Respondents: 481		

Q6 Of the parks or facilities listed in question #5, which one do you or members of your household use the most often?

Answered: 480 Skipped: 46



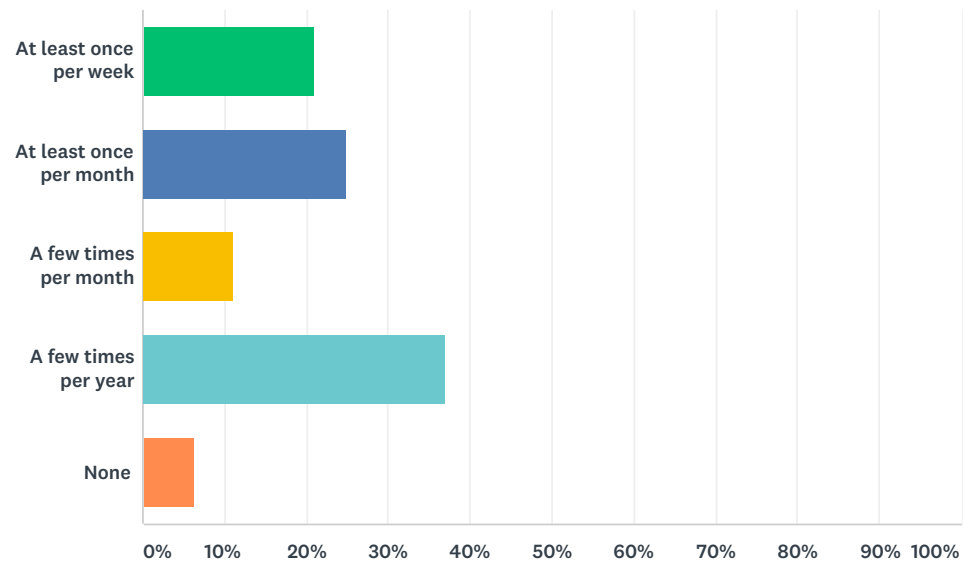
ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES
Berry Springs Park and Preserve		29.79% 143
Champion Park		3.96% 19
Williamson County Exposition Center		5.42% 26
Southwest Williamson County Regional Park		14.17% 68
Twin Lakes Park		1.04% 5
Brushy Creek Regional Trail		31.67% 152
Lake Creek Trail		1.67% 8
None of the Above		7.71% 37
Other (please specify)		4.58% 22
TOTAL		480

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Nature Preserve, undeveloped places where there remains some wildlife and UNMOWED wildflowers plants.	12/14/2017 12:49 PM

2	Sun City Trails & State Parks	11/30/2017 1:11 PM
3	San Gabriel Park, Rivery Park, Bootys Road Park, Lake GT trails	11/29/2017 3:27 PM
4	pretty even	11/28/2017 9:42 AM
5	Lake Georgetown parks and trails	11/27/2017 9:18 AM
6	Preserves	11/27/2017 7:52 AM
7	Lake Georgetown	11/27/2017 7:50 AM
8	Sun city trails and parks	11/27/2017 6:39 AM
9	Lake Georgetown trails	11/27/2017 6:06 AM
10	Rabb park and old settlers	11/26/2017 4:07 PM
11	san gabriel park trail	11/25/2017 7:18 PM
12	walking trails in Sun City	11/24/2017 7:00 AM
13	Old settlers	11/19/2017 7:06 PM
14	San Gabriel Park, and all connected parks	11/18/2017 2:13 PM
15	San Gabriel River Trail (San Gabriel all the way to Lake Georgetown)	11/17/2017 7:35 PM
16	SAn Gabriel Park	11/17/2017 5:18 PM
17	Murphy Park, Taylor	11/17/2017 6:58 AM
18	200 acre preserve	11/16/2017 2:36 PM
19	Round Rock Play for All & parks near Dell Diamond/Old Settlers Park	11/15/2017 1:28 PM
20	Sports complex next to HEB	11/15/2017 10:16 AM
21	San Gabriel Park	11/15/2017 8:28 AM
22	Old Settler's Park	11/15/2017 8:27 AM

Q7 How often have you or your family visited Williamson County operated parks during the past 12 months?

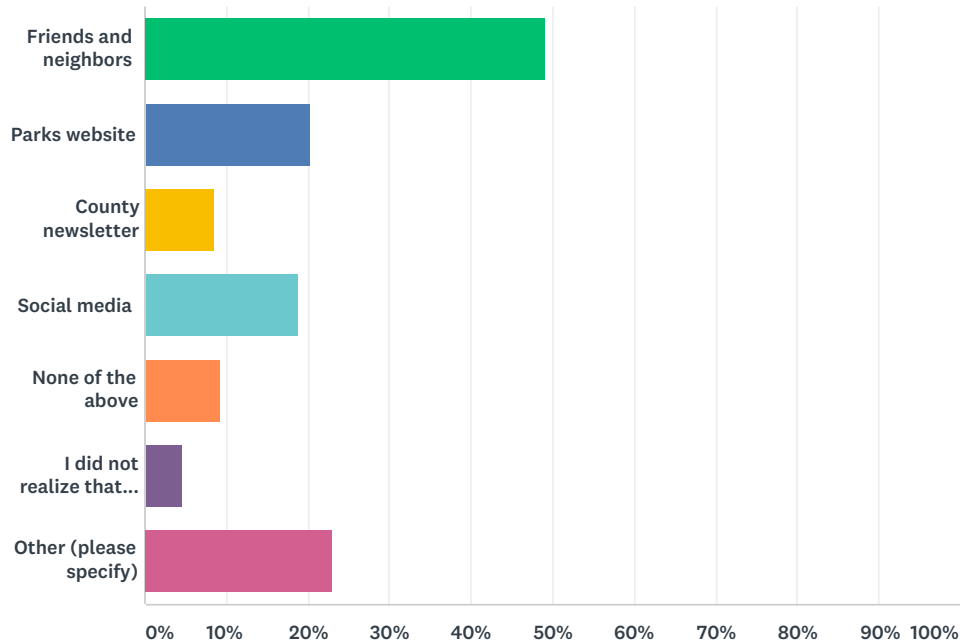
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
At least once per week	20.95%	101
At least once per month	24.90%	120
A few times per month	11.00%	53
A few times per year	36.93%	178
None	6.22%	30
TOTAL		482

Q8 How did you learn about Williamson County operated parks and activities?

Answered: 485 Skipped: 41



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Friends and neighbors	49.07%	238
Parks website	20.21%	98
County newsletter	8.66%	42
Social media	18.76%	91
None of the above	9.28%	45
I did not realize that Williamson County operated parks	4.54%	22
Other (please specify)	23.09%	112
Total Respondents: 485		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Community Impact	1/3/2018 7:12 AM
2	newspaper	12/23/2017 11:38 AM
3	Because I read the sign that say "Williamson County Park"	12/19/2017 1:37 PM
4	just driving around and riding bikes around the area	12/18/2017 12:46 PM
5	Community Impact newsletter	12/15/2017 9:57 AM
6	Was desperate for some outdoors as where I came from there were parks, wilderness areas, forests, streams ...Nothing like that here...It is just too crowded.	12/14/2017 12:49 PM
7	known about Berry Springs and have volunteered there on occasion over the years.	12/10/2017 6:28 PM

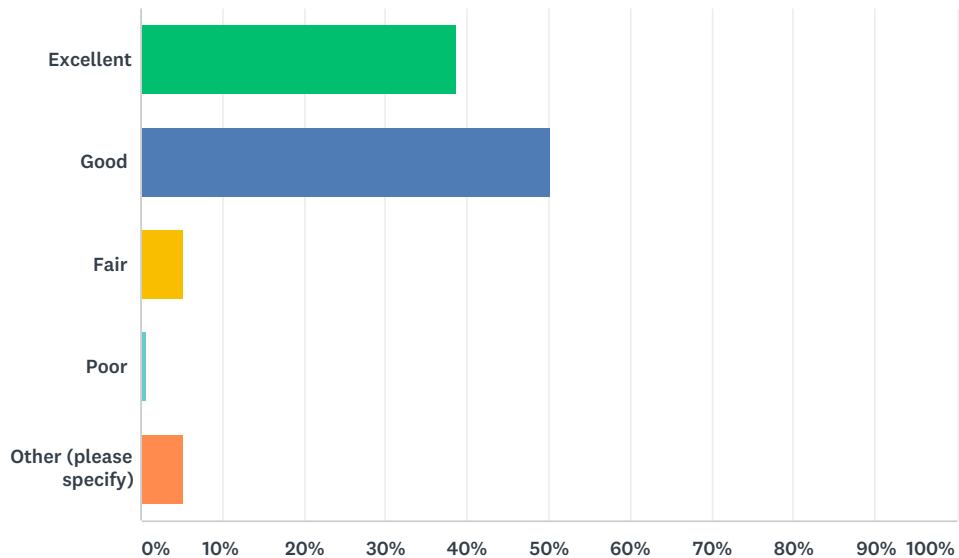
8	County employee came into REI where I work	12/10/2017 2:28 PM
9	Lake Creek Trail is at the end of my Street.	12/9/2017 7:16 PM
10	Contacts with Native Plant Society	12/9/2017 1:33 PM
11	Soccer Leagues	12/8/2017 3:35 PM
12	sons did Eagle Projects, use San Gabriel park, Blue Hole and Hike and Bike trails often	12/6/2017 3:42 PM
13	Sun City Hiking Club	12/6/2017 3:21 PM
14	all of the above	12/6/2017 8:52 AM
15	Berry Springs - through Good Water Master Naturalists. Champion and Brushy Creek, found by accident	12/3/2017 8:33 PM
16	master naturalists	12/1/2017 9:22 AM
17	Articles in newspapers like The Sun	12/1/2017 8:54 AM
18	Sun City Hiking Club	11/30/2017 1:11 PM
19	various: scouting, local news publications, etc.	11/30/2017 8:47 AM
20	driving by them	11/30/2017 8:26 AM
21	Live next door to Regional Park	11/30/2017 6:16 AM
22	just because I live in the region I know about it...	11/29/2017 4:31 PM
23	Sun City Hiking Club	11/29/2017 8:03 AM
24	Newspaper	11/28/2017 9:57 PM
25	Sun City Hiking Club	11/28/2017 10:50 AM
26	Sun City Hiking Club	11/28/2017 9:52 AM
27	Sun City Hiking Club	11/28/2017 9:42 AM
28	From County Commisioner	11/28/2017 7:58 AM
29	drive by	11/27/2017 9:57 PM
30	Sun City Hiking Club	11/27/2017 8:57 PM
31	I am a Member hike club in Sun City	11/27/2017 8:02 PM
32	from use and driving by them!	11/27/2017 7:37 PM
33	Sun City Hiking Club	11/27/2017 7:00 PM
34	Sun City(Georgetown) Hiking Club	11/27/2017 6:54 PM
35	Through Georgetown Parks and Recreation	11/27/2017 2:12 PM
36	Sun City Hiking Cl;ub	11/27/2017 12:34 PM
37	Brouchure	11/27/2017 9:57 AM
38	Sun city hiking club	11/27/2017 9:38 AM
39	Sun City Hikers club	11/27/2017 9:18 AM
40	Sun City Hiking Club	11/27/2017 8:54 AM
41	Sun City Hiking Club	11/27/2017 7:52 AM
42	Internet	11/27/2017 7:46 AM
43	Sun City Hiking Club	11/27/2017 7:44 AM
44	Sun City Hiking Club	11/27/2017 6:54 AM
45	Sun City Texas Hiking Club	11/27/2017 6:06 AM
46	Sun City Hiking Club	11/27/2017 5:56 AM
47	Google	11/27/2017 5:51 AM

48	Hiking club	11/27/2017 4:33 AM
49	Signage	11/26/2017 2:57 PM
50	City of Georgetown Employee	11/25/2017 3:34 PM
51	Nextdoor.com	11/24/2017 12:26 PM
52	political discussion of why the County is involved in paqrks	11/24/2017 11:58 AM
53	eBird bird sighting reports	11/24/2017 6:54 AM
54	Sun City club activities	11/24/2017 4:06 AM
55	Various newspapers	11/23/2017 10:27 PM
56	Texas Master Naturalists	11/23/2017 4:38 PM
57	Master Naturalists	11/22/2017 12:09 PM
58	Williamson Co Master Naturalists, Native Plant Society of Texas	11/22/2017 9:50 AM
59	I work near the San Gabriel park	11/21/2017 6:56 PM
60	sports team practices	11/21/2017 1:15 PM
61	I work in the news media.	11/20/2017 2:54 PM
62	Master Naturalist Program	11/20/2017 11:26 AM
63	employed by wilco parks department	11/20/2017 10:22 AM
64	Georgetown Running Club	11/20/2017 10:00 AM
65	Park map at GT Visitors Center	11/20/2017 9:29 AM
66	Athletic events	11/19/2017 10:14 PM
67	Cycling exploration	11/19/2017 7:06 PM
68	Live behind WILCO on the greenbelt	11/19/2017 4:11 PM
69	google maps	11/19/2017 8:25 AM
70	Good Water Master Naturalists	11/19/2017 6:27 AM
71	Soccer	11/18/2017 11:10 PM
72	Park staff members	11/18/2017 5:33 PM
73	Childrens Social group	11/18/2017 3:42 PM
74	NPSOT WilCo Chapter, Goodwater Master Naturalists	11/18/2017 3:34 PM
75	Online searches	11/18/2017 9:35 AM
76	Looked them up. Sought out info before move,	11/18/2017 7:26 AM
77	Scouting	11/17/2017 11:25 PM
78	From Good Water Master Naturalists	11/17/2017 11:14 PM
79	Cross country, soccer, track events	11/17/2017 10:23 PM
80	Master naturalist class	11/17/2017 4:07 PM
81	Looking for parks online	11/17/2017 3:53 PM
82	Master Naturalist	11/17/2017 3:07 PM
83	Texas Master Naturalists	11/17/2017 2:20 PM
84	Running events	11/17/2017 1:52 PM
85	newspaper articles, soccer tournaments	11/17/2017 12:48 PM
86	living in wilco	11/17/2017 12:10 PM
87	Use for training	11/17/2017 7:35 AM
88	Parks sign on 1431	11/17/2017 7:27 AM

89	Other than the expo center, I've never heard of any of those parks!	11/17/2017 5:19 AM
90	driving around Georgetown	11/16/2017 10:18 PM
91	Already knew about them.	11/16/2017 8:12 PM
92	Community Impact	11/16/2017 7:46 PM
93	I learned about Taylor parks through LEAD Taylor. I am not familiar with most other parks in Williamson County	11/16/2017 4:04 PM
94	when they were established	11/16/2017 3:14 PM
95	Pass parks along the Brushy Creek Trail.	11/16/2017 3:08 PM
96	Printed publications (Austin Amer-Statesman, Community Impact, etc)	11/16/2017 2:38 PM
97	The sign by the Brushy Creek Exit	11/16/2017 1:53 PM
98	I saw them while I was out driving	11/16/2017 11:11 AM
99	Internet searches and google maps	11/16/2017 10:32 AM
100	County employee	11/16/2017 10:30 AM
101	I live near by it	11/16/2017 9:55 AM
102	Live by	11/16/2017 9:52 AM
103	Boy Scout Troop	11/16/2017 9:50 AM
104	Soccer team	11/16/2017 7:52 AM
105	family	11/15/2017 9:20 PM
106	Newspaper	11/15/2017 6:24 PM
107	Google search	11/15/2017 2:59 PM
108	Google	11/15/2017 12:55 PM
109	I search for parks to visit on google	11/15/2017 12:04 PM
110	Soccer Team	11/15/2017 11:58 AM
111	lie closeby	11/15/2017 11:57 AM
112	County Web site	11/15/2017 8:33 AM

Q9 How would you rate Williamson County operated parks?

Answered: 483 Skipped: 43



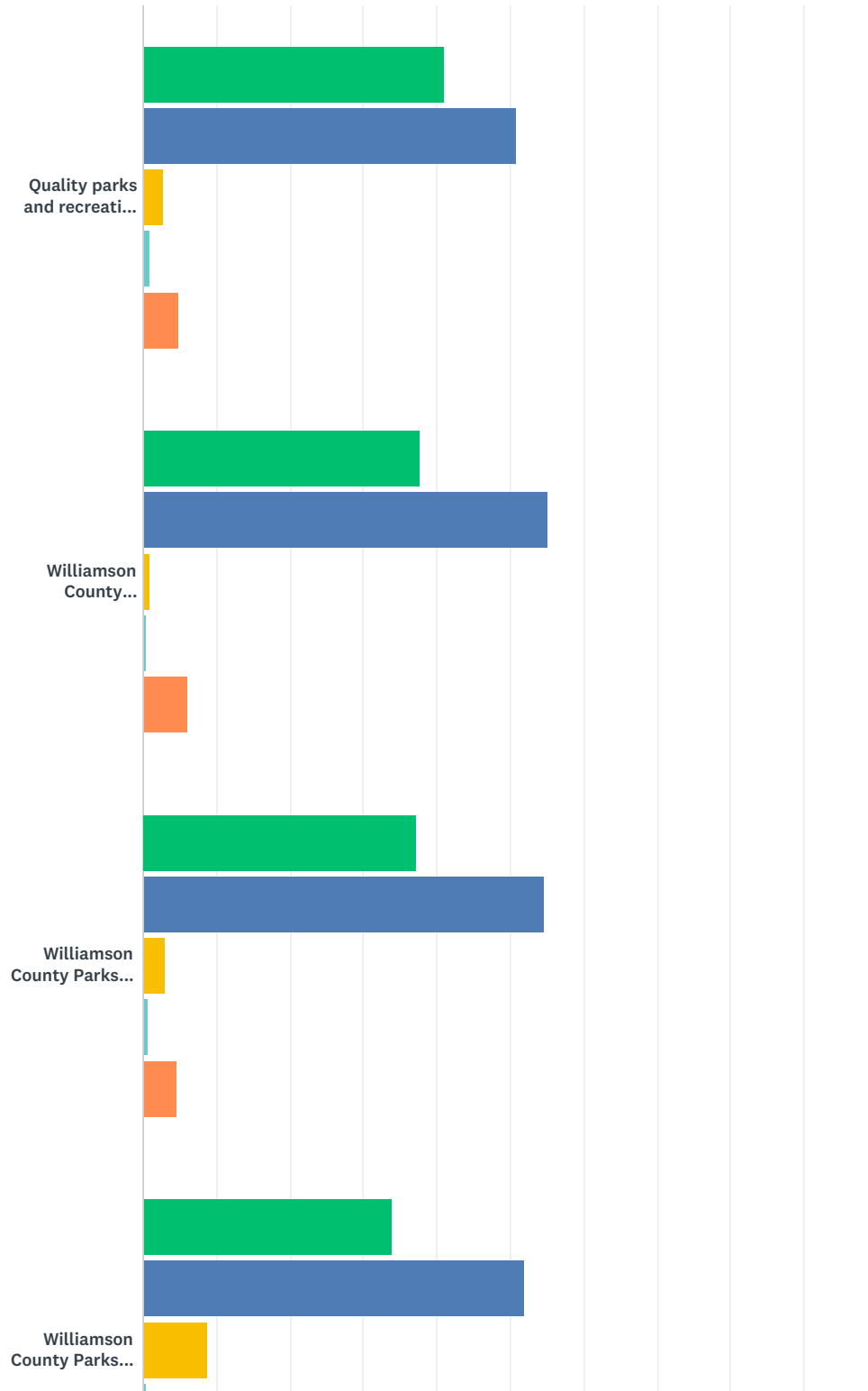
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Excellent	38.72%	187
Good	50.31%	243
Fair	5.18%	25
Poor	0.62%	3
Other (please specify)	5.18%	25
TOTAL		483

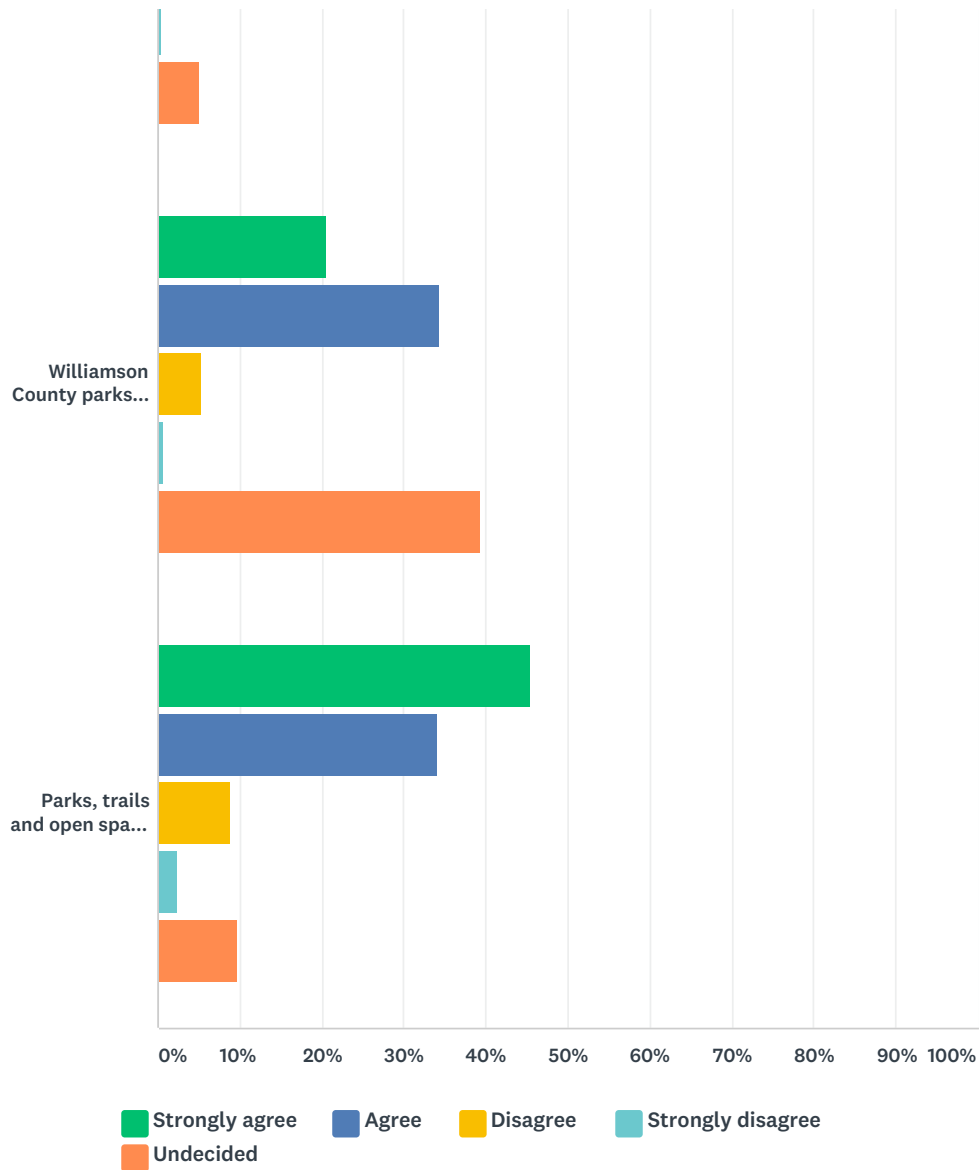
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1	As good as I guess they can be given there is nothing set aside for nature and real wildlife, birdwatching etc.	12/14/2017 12:49 PM
2	It wouldn't be fair to rate something that I was unaware of.	12/12/2017 7:23 AM
3	There are not enough parks in Williamson County and none that have camping. Not many trails for hiking with varying degrees of difficulty.	12/10/2017 2:28 PM
4	No opinion.	12/6/2017 10:10 AM
5	My lack of attendance to parks over the last 12mths. Should not reflect how much I appreciate that our wonderful parks are so enjoyable and accessible to the growing communities. I support enhancements and maintenance as needed and embrace creative ideas that add community value.	12/2/2017 3:21 AM
6	Can't rate....	11/30/2017 1:11 PM
7	I guess I did not know there was a difference in who ran what park. All the parks I've been to so far are wonderful.	11/29/2017 3:27 PM
8	We need better and longer trails that connect population centers.	11/29/2017 12:30 PM
9	N/A	11/27/2017 6:51 PM

10	I would use a park more frequently if I could access it by bicycle safely from Georgetown/Sun City	11/27/2017 3:31 PM
11	Can't comment because I typically visit parks managed by: state, LCRA or Army Corps. I'll have to look for county parks.	11/27/2017 8:49 AM
12	Not enough information to write this question	11/27/2017 7:50 AM
13	County needs to get our of the Parks business.	11/24/2017 11:58 AM
14	Friends are happy with parks.	11/24/2017 9:07 AM
15	The ones I have seen seem to be very nice	11/23/2017 10:27 PM
16	Berry Springs is fantastic. My take is that the county does not have NEARLY ENOUGH small parks in developments. In particular, there is very little in Georgetown west of I35.	11/23/2017 8:59 PM
17	N/a	11/18/2017 11:05 AM
18	no opinion, since I have not visited	11/18/2017 8:26 AM
19	I haven't been to any of the parks listed	11/17/2017 3:19 PM
20	I don't know	11/17/2017 6:58 AM
21	n/a - never been	11/16/2017 11:06 PM
22	I don't have enough information to reply.	11/16/2017 4:04 PM
23	I haven't been to any of the specific parks	11/16/2017 3:20 PM
24	Haven't used them to rate them	11/15/2017 1:28 PM
25	The County should not be spending money on parkland. That is a developer and city function	11/15/2017 9:19 AM

Q10 For each statement below please select "strongly agree", "agree", "disagree", "strongly disagree", or "undecided".

Answered: 485 Skipped: 41

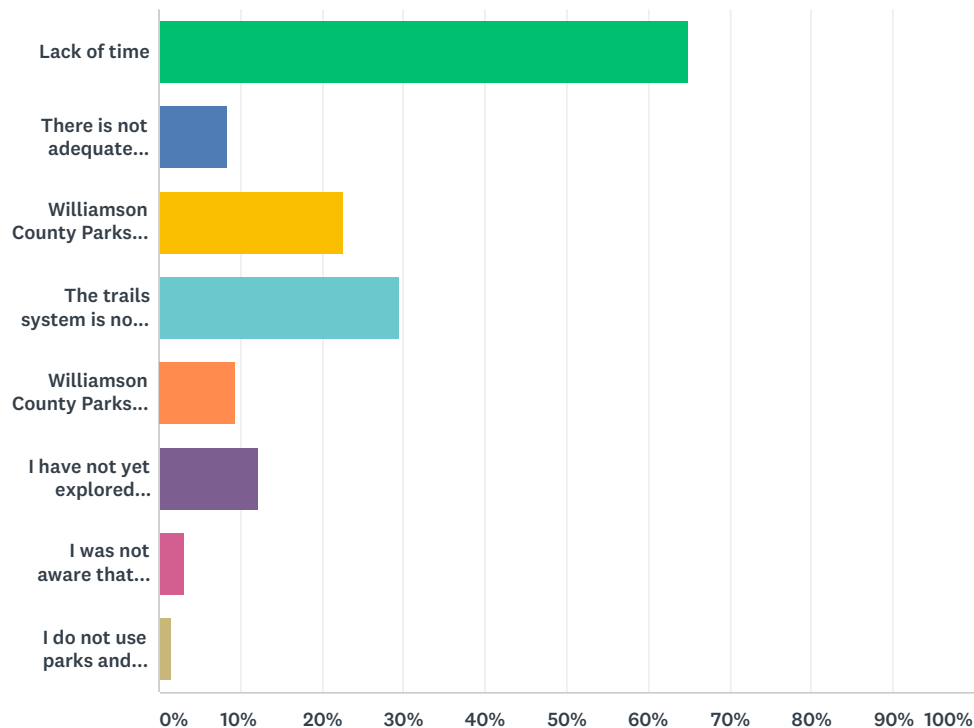




	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	UNDECIDED	TOTAL
Quality parks and recreation opportunities are offered by Williamson County for its residents.	40.91% 198	50.83% 246	2.69% 13	0.83% 4	4.75% 23	484
Williamson County facilities are safe.	37.68% 182	55.07% 266	0.83% 4	0.41% 2	6.00% 29	483
Williamson County Parks are well maintained.	37.24% 178	54.60% 261	2.93% 14	0.63% 3	4.60% 22	478
Williamson County Parks are easy to get to.	33.95% 164	51.97% 251	8.70% 42	0.41% 2	4.97% 24	483
Williamson County parks and facilities are accommodating for visitors with disabilities.	20.58% 99	34.30% 165	5.20% 25	0.62% 3	39.29% 189	481
Parks, trails and open spaces are a significant reason for choosing to live in Williamson County	45.34% 219	34.16% 165	8.70% 42	2.28% 11	9.52% 46	483

Q11 From the choices below, please SELECT ALL the reasons that PREVENT you or other members of your household from using Williamson County operated parks and trails at all or more frequently.

Answered: 435 Skipped: 91



ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
Lack of time		64.83%	282
There is not adequate passive outdoor recreation in Williamson County Parks		8.28%	36
Williamson County Parks are not convenient to where I live		22.53%	98
The trails system is not convenient to where I live		29.43%	128
Williamson County Parks lack the right kind/quality of facilities		9.43%	41
I have not yet explored Williamson County Parks, but I am interested		12.18%	53
I was not aware that Williamson County had parks		3.22%	14
I do not use parks and trails		1.38%	6
Total Respondents: 435			

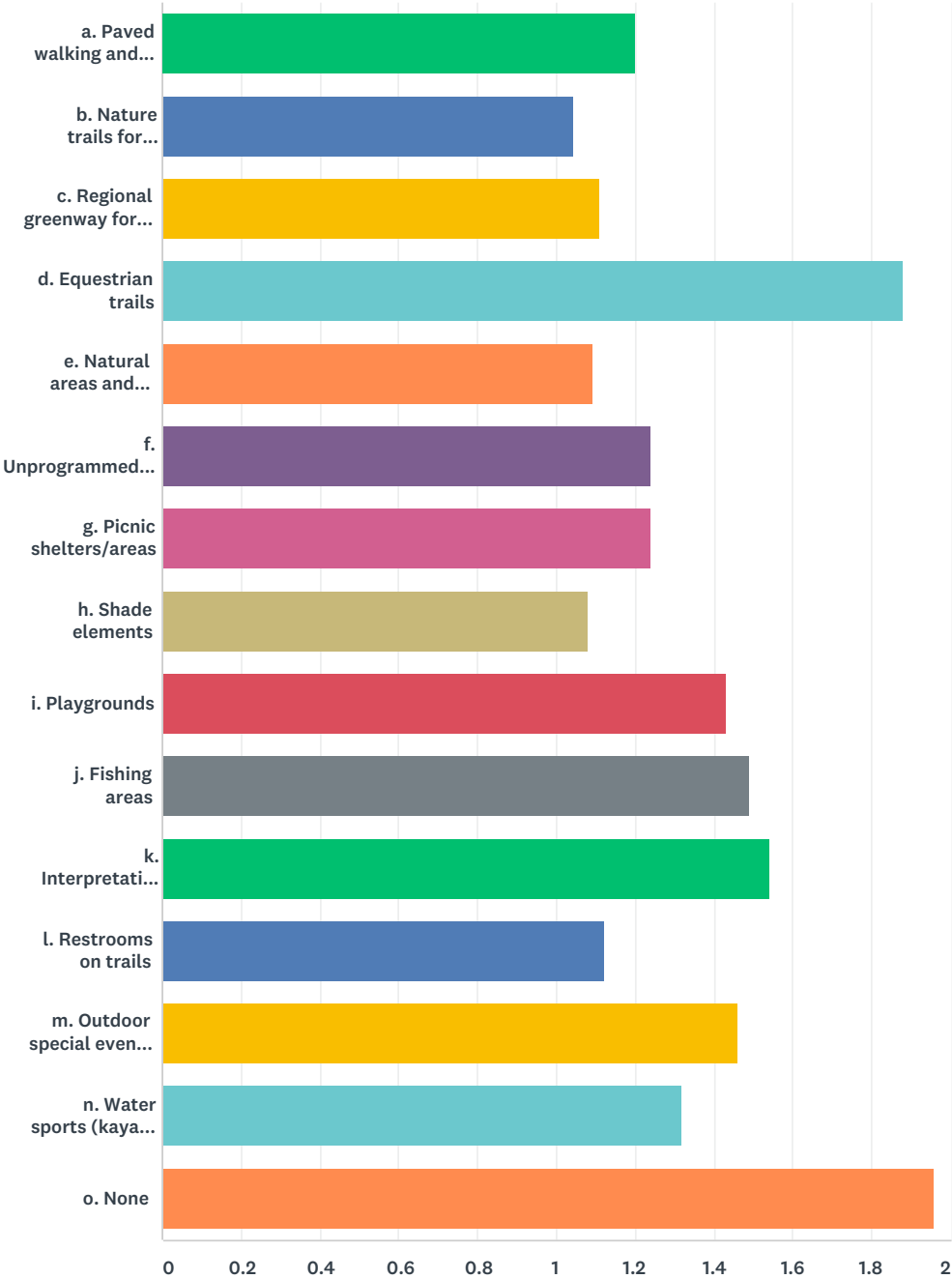
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1	Open more space to build MTB trail systems	1/3/2018 7:12 AM
2	I live closer to City of Georgetown trails would be great if they where connected- I run 100 miles a week	12/19/2017 1:37 PM

3	Not enough dog parks	12/15/2017 9:57 AM
4	Exercise equipment needed at Lakecreek Trail.	12/9/2017 7:16 PM
5	post surgery limited mobility past 3 months	12/9/2017 1:33 PM
6	Construction	12/6/2017 4:44 PM
7	Not knowing about the parks, not enough awareness about them	12/2/2017 11:15 AM
8	Over the last several years personal life challenges have prevented the opportunity to visit the parks. However I plan to utilize them again this starting this month.	12/2/2017 3:21 AM
9	I've just begun to hike with the Sun City Hiking Club and not sure if the parks we've gone to are WC parks or not. I guess the parks we have gone to around us are GT parks and we go there because we take grandchildren and they have a playground. I assume I'll learn more about what's available as time goes on but so far, so good. We love parks!	11/29/2017 3:27 PM
10	I use Sun City Parks and Georgetown parks	11/28/2017 10:01 PM
11	The trails I have been on aren't very pretty.	11/28/2017 9:57 PM
12	Snakes	11/28/2017 6:46 AM
13	There is nothing that prevents us to use the parks.	11/28/2017 5:27 AM
14	I hike mostly with an organized club	11/27/2017 6:19 PM
15	I bike 3200+ miles a year, but Berry Creek makes for a longer daily ride than normal.	11/27/2017 3:31 PM
16	I use the Georgetown Parks since I live close to them	11/27/2017 2:12 PM
17	None	11/27/2017 11:39 AM
18	Other parks and trails available	11/27/2017 9:57 AM
19	We go on scheduled hikes from sun city	11/27/2017 9:38 AM
20	Biggest obstacle is lack of awareness. I'll have to hunt for more information about County parks.	11/27/2017 8:49 AM
21	Hot weather	11/27/2017 8:23 AM
22	My husband and son run near Brushy Creek. Other than that, my kids are too old to 'play' at parks. We used to go to parks but no longer do.	11/26/2017 6:08 PM
23	I would like more access to parks by continuing to connect trail systems	11/26/2017 2:57 PM
24	I often don't know where they are or what they contain.	11/25/2017 3:18 PM
25	all of the parks need more parking spaces	11/24/2017 12:26 PM
26	It's too dang hot in the summer. I	11/23/2017 8:59 PM
27	Taylor has an adequate park system so I don't have to go elsewhere in the county for my needs.	11/20/2017 2:54 PM
28	Poison Ivy is not adequately controlled.	11/20/2017 11:05 AM
29	Would like to explore more parks and more of the WILCO park behind me.	11/19/2017 4:11 PM
30	Lake creek trail REALLY needs to be better connected and advertised. It's unclear if pets are plowed through town and country	11/19/2017 9:24 AM
31	I am always looking for an open track because the school tracks are closed to the public. Sometimes it is hard to get to Wilco park.	11/19/2017 7:35 AM
32	Waiting for river ranch to open, very excited	11/18/2017 5:33 PM
33	Weather, otherwise I use the BCR trail daily	11/18/2017 4:06 PM
34	trails/parks are not connected	11/18/2017 3:34 PM
35	Using my bike to get to the County Parks is scary. Too much traffic on the major streets and roads to bike to the parks.	11/18/2017 2:48 PM
36	more bike paths and safe roads for bike use	11/18/2017 2:13 PM
37	Trail system at the regional park is too short or otherwise underdeveloped so we drive elsewhere like BCRT	11/18/2017 9:35 AM

38	I would like more information about the parks and trails	11/18/2017 8:03 AM
39	Close enough to get to by walking or biking. Not safe to get to walking or biking.	11/18/2017 7:26 AM
40	Living outside Wilco	11/17/2017 3:07 PM
41	Need paths that accommodate large strollers easily and easily accessible bathrooms throughout the path (six kids under 6)	11/17/2017 2:56 PM
42	More! More parks!	11/17/2017 2:20 PM
43	Most of the parks are too far from me to visit during the week, so we visit on the weekends. But River Ranch and Gary Park will be much closer and we are looking forward to those.	11/17/2017 1:55 PM
44	The expo center in Taylor is nice, but not a truly park. No other county park close to Taylor	11/17/2017 10:00 AM
45	I live in Burnet County	11/17/2017 7:35 AM
46	This is a misleading question we come to parks all the time	11/17/2017 12:43 AM
47	Need more for preteen, teens	11/16/2017 8:15 PM
48	Humid weather	11/16/2017 7:46 PM
49	We go hiking weekly, but Williamson county does not offer the type of trails we prefer	11/16/2017 3:20 PM
50	I wish there were more bike paths on the main roads. Would make it easier to get to the parks and trails.	11/16/2017 1:53 PM
51	need more trails and bike lanes	11/16/2017 12:36 PM
52	Parks are great, trails are falling behind Travis County and other cities.	11/16/2017 9:10 AM
53	It's too hot in the summer, and it's dark after work in the winter	11/15/2017 8:42 PM
54	Add: It's damn hot in the summer.	11/15/2017 7:02 PM
55	Old Settlers Park is closer	11/15/2017 11:58 AM
56	when the weather is cooler - like now, it is too dark after work.	11/15/2017 9:50 AM
57	The county has no business spending our money on parkland	11/15/2017 9:19 AM
58	I'd like to learn more about what is available.	11/15/2017 8:28 AM

Q12 Please specify if you or any members of your household have a need for each of the parks, trails, or recreation amenities listed below by selecting the YES or NO next to the program.

Answered: 472 Skipped: 54



	YES	NO	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
a. Paved walking and biking trails	79.96% 371	20.04% 93	464	1.20

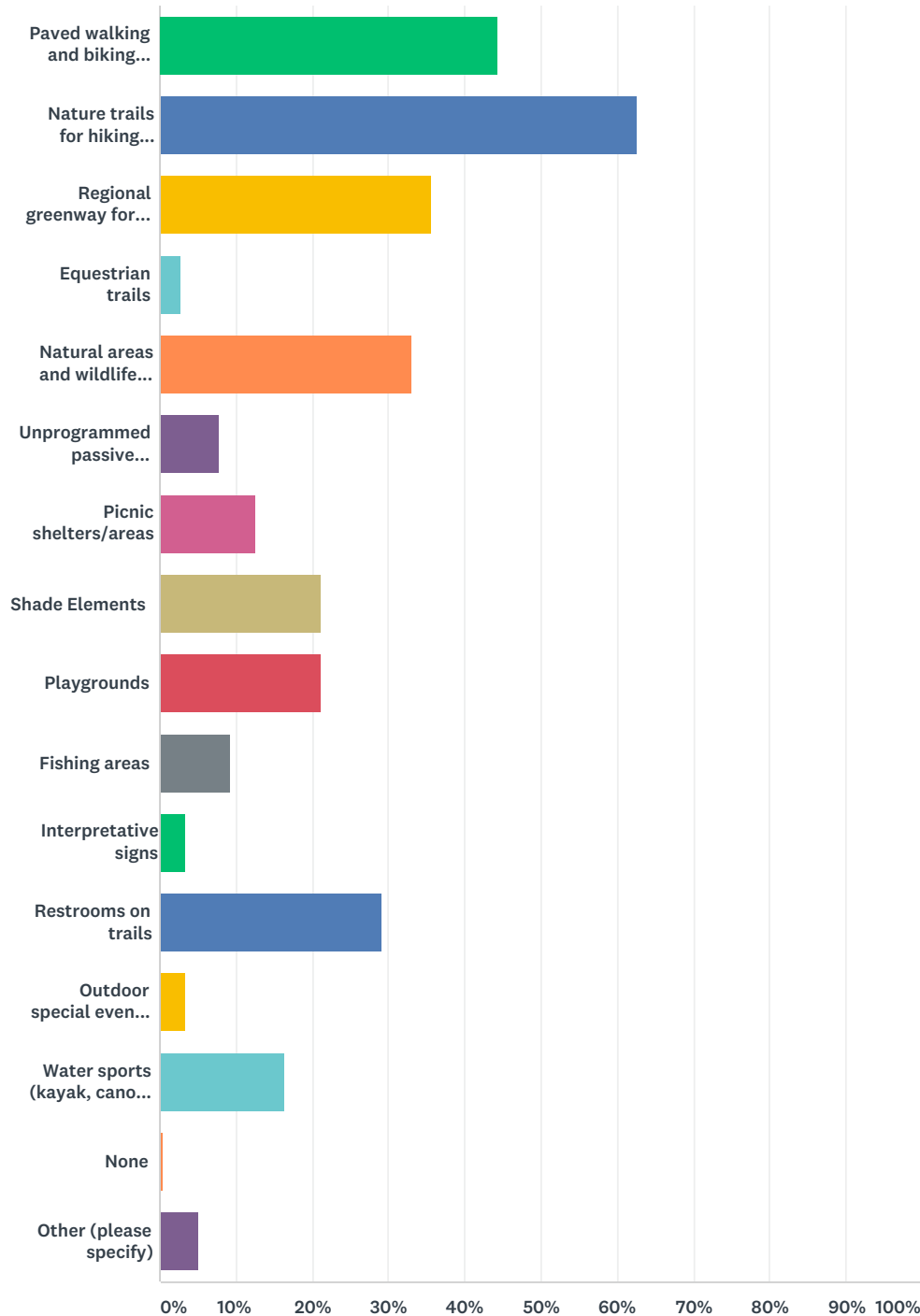
b. Nature trails for hiking within parks	96.12% 446	3.88% 18	464	1.04
c. Regional greenway for walking/running/biking	88.72% 409	11.28% 52	461	1.11
d. Equestrian trails	11.87% 52	88.13% 386	438	1.88
e. Natural areas and wildlife habitat	91.19% 414	8.81% 40	454	1.09
f. Unprogrammed passive recreation space	76.03% 333	23.97% 105	438	1.24
g. Picnic shelters/areas	76.34% 342	23.66% 106	448	1.24
h. Shade elements	91.68% 419	8.32% 38	457	1.08
i. Playgrounds	56.53% 251	43.47% 193	444	1.43
j. Fishing areas	50.68% 225	49.32% 219	444	1.49
k. Interpretative signs	45.60% 197	54.40% 235	432	1.54
l. Restrooms on trails	87.94% 401	12.06% 55	456	1.12
m. Outdoor special event space	54.30% 240	45.70% 202	442	1.46
n. Water sports (kayak, canoe, etc.)	68.21% 309	31.79% 144	453	1.32
o. None	4.27% 7	95.73% 157	164	1.96

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	More MTB trail systems	1/3/2018 7:31 AM
2	connect the running trails to make large network of trails	12/19/2017 1:46 PM
3	Parks money would be better spent on Law Enforcement	12/18/2017 8:07 AM
4	Woodland....orienteering....trail running	12/14/2017 1:57 PM
5	Please don't make your whole focus be on equestrian trails. That element does not effect the majority of people in your county anymore.	12/10/2017 2:36 PM
6	Off-leash dog trails	12/2/2017 11:19 AM
7	Restrooms convenient to trails, not necessarily on trails.	12/1/2017 9:01 AM
8	More sports fields	11/29/2017 3:57 PM
9	We need longer trails suitable for road bicycles	11/29/2017 12:32 PM
10	Trees, trees, trees!	11/28/2017 10:16 PM
11	Can use Lake Georgetown etc.: Some rest rooms helpful	11/27/2017 3:55 PM
12	Designated kayak and canoe specific launch areas. Also, you have absolutely no mention of mountain bike trails, other than a regional bike path. Mt bike riders will want to get out on more challenging trails.	11/27/2017 9:03 AM
13	Handicap accessibility	11/27/2017 6:10 AM
14	Quiet spaces	11/27/2017 4:35 AM

15	Pétanque	11/26/2017 2:36 PM
16	Restored &enhaced habitat area s	11/24/2017 7:02 AM
17	Water fountains on trails	11/23/2017 4:32 PM
18	Frisbee golf :)	11/20/2017 4:16 PM
19	More water fountains along trails. Please.	11/20/2017 9:33 AM
20	Bird watching stations, open land to explore	11/19/2017 9:29 AM
21	Rowing!!! It would be awesome to not have to drive to Austin.	11/19/2017 7:38 AM
22	Bike trails for road bikes	11/18/2017 12:12 PM
23	Mountain bike trails. Unpaved running/ hiking trails	11/18/2017 12:12 PM
24	Water fountains for dogs and humans	11/18/2017 9:39 AM
25	Public hunting areas	11/18/2017 8:04 AM
26	Camping for RVs and more splashpads near Georgetown	11/18/2017 7:11 AM
27	B.B. gun and archery ranges	11/17/2017 11:28 PM
28	"Interpretive"	11/17/2017 7:02 AM
29	Poorly worded. I don't have a "need" for any of these things, but do I want them? That is how I answered the questions above.	11/16/2017 8:19 PM
30	disc golf	11/16/2017 5:01 PM
31	Soccer fields	11/16/2017 7:54 AM
32	Splash pad or waterpark	11/15/2017 7:59 PM
33	dog parks on and off leash	11/15/2017 6:28 PM
34	Disc Golf	11/15/2017 5:32 PM
35	Water park/splash pads	11/15/2017 1:31 PM
36	Volleyball	11/15/2017 12:01 PM
37	Dog park needed!	11/15/2017 11:21 AM
38	pickelball, tennis, disc golf	11/15/2017 10:04 AM

Q13 Which THREE of the amenities from the list below are most important to your household?

Answered: 472 Skipped: 54



ANSWER CHOICES

RESPONSES

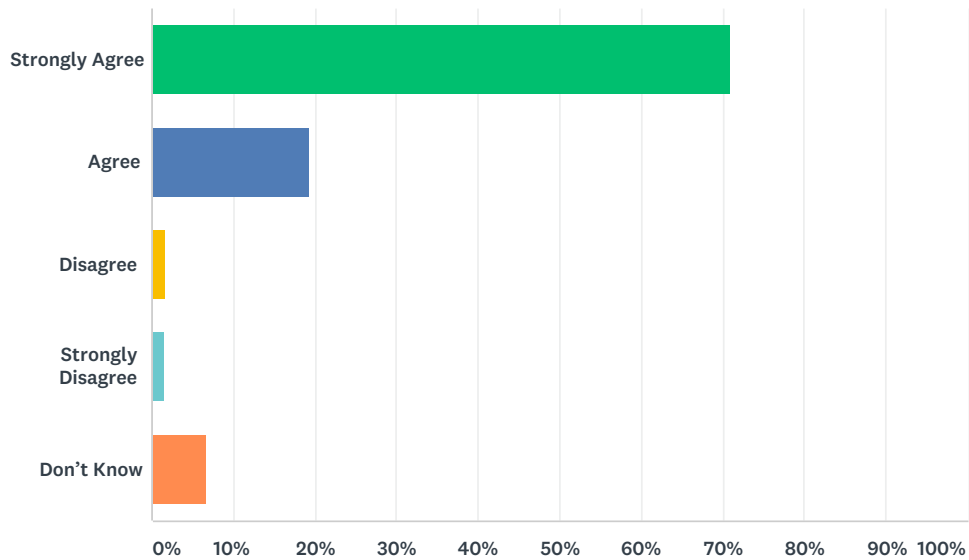
Paved walking and biking trails	44.28%	209
Nature trails for hiking within parks	62.50%	295
Regional greenway for walking/running/biking	35.59%	168
Equestrian trails	2.75%	13
Natural areas and wildlife habitat	33.05%	156
Unprogrammed passive recreation space	7.84%	37
Picnic shelters/areas	12.50%	59
Shade Elements	21.19%	100
Playgrounds	21.19%	100
Fishing areas	9.11%	43
Interpretative signs	3.39%	16
Restrooms on trails	29.03%	137
Outdoor special event space	3.39%	16
Water sports (kayak, canoe, etc.)	16.31%	77
None	0.42%	2
Other (please specify)	5.08%	24
Total Respondents: 472		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	MTB trails	1/3/2018 7:31 AM
2	connect the trail system around the county	12/19/2017 1:46 PM
3	off-leash dog trails	12/2/2017 11:19 AM
4	More sports fields	11/29/2017 3:57 PM
5	More shade	11/29/2017 12:32 PM
6	Trees!	11/28/2017 10:16 PM
7	Available, adequate parking	11/27/2017 12:42 PM
8	Paved multi-use trails between Sun City and parks/trail system of WilCo	11/27/2017 5:56 AM
9	Petanque	11/26/2017 2:36 PM
10	dog friendly	11/25/2017 7:11 PM
11	benches	11/23/2017 10:29 PM
12	Water fountains on trails	11/23/2017 4:32 PM
13	sports fields/courts	11/21/2017 2:55 PM
14	Dedicated bike paths to get access to the parks from major bike arterial like Ronald Reagan and Williams drive	11/20/2017 8:38 AM
15	Splash pad	11/18/2017 7:41 AM
16	Campgrounds	11/17/2017 3:31 PM
17	Camping	11/17/2017 3:13 PM
18	disc golf	11/16/2017 5:01 PM
19	mountain-biking nature trails	11/16/2017 12:44 PM

20	Soccer fields	11/16/2017 7:54 AM
21	dog parks	11/15/2017 6:28 PM
22	Water park/splash pads	11/15/2017 1:31 PM
23	Volleyball	11/15/2017 12:01 PM
24	Again this should not be funded by County taxes	11/15/2017 9:21 AM

Q14 I think Williamson County should expand the trail system linking communities and neighborhoods (regional trails, greenways, etc.).

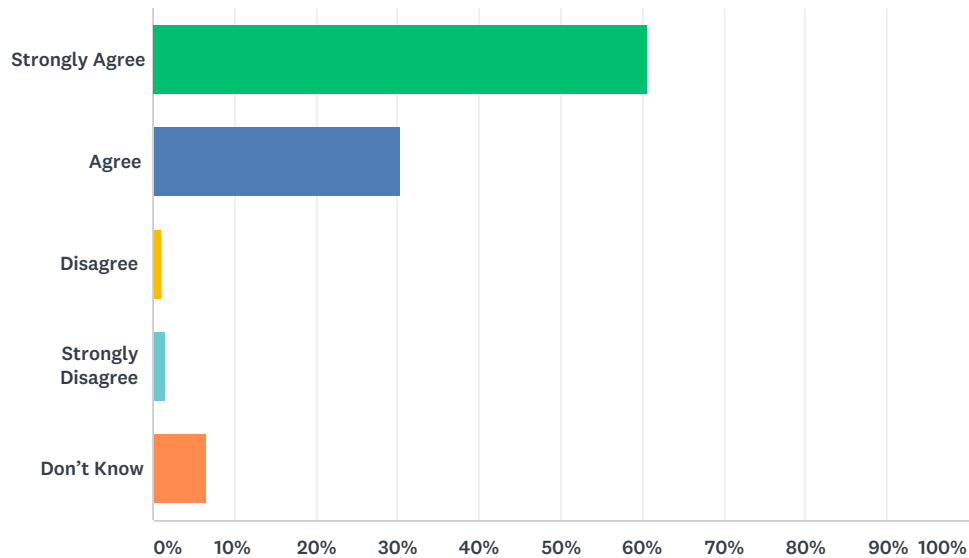
Answered: 469 Skipped: 57



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly Agree	71.00%	333
Agree	19.19%	90
Disagree	1.71%	8
Strongly Disagree	1.49%	7
Don't Know	6.61%	31
TOTAL		469

Q15 I think Williamson County should provide additional opportunities for passive outdoor recreation (walking trails, fishing, picnicking, etc.).

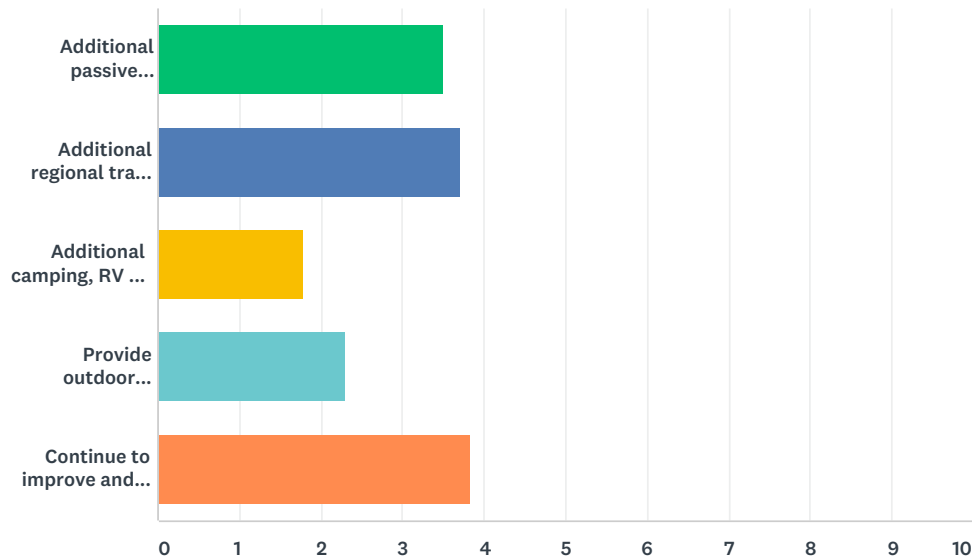
Answered: 470 Skipped: 56



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly Agree	60.64%	285
Agree	30.43%	143
Disagree	1.06%	5
Strongly Disagree	1.49%	7
Don't Know	6.38%	30
TOTAL		470

Q16 Please rank the following items in order of importance to you (1 being MOST important and 5 being LEAST important).

Answered: 465 Skipped: 61



	1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL	SCORE
Additional passive recreation in parks (e.g., hiking, fishing, picnicking)	19.81% 82	31.40% 130	30.92% 128	13.29% 55	4.59% 19	414	3.49
Additional regional trail connections (e.g., Brushy Creek Regional Trail)	37.94% 162	23.19% 99	19.91% 85	10.30% 44	8.67% 37	427	3.71
Additional camping, RV and overnight shelters	6.73% 29	6.03% 26	7.19% 31	17.87% 77	62.18% 268	431	1.77
Provide outdoor education opportunities	4.65% 20	9.53% 41	18.60% 80	45.12% 194	22.09% 95	430	2.30
Continue to improve and maintain existing parks	35.32% 160	29.14% 132	22.74% 103	9.27% 42	3.53% 16	453	3.83

Q17 What type of other experiences or activities would you like to have in Williamson County Parks that have not been mentioned in this survey?

Answered: 233 Skipped: 293

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	There is no mention of Mountain Biking in this survey. This is a very popular outdoor activity that Wilco should be considering when considering allocation of land and funding. The trails can be utilized by hikers, runners and mountain bikers. We have a great system of trails in the Brushy Creek Regional Trail area near Parmer Lane. This trail system is so popular that it attracts people from all over the area to ride the trails which leads to local business revenue opportunities. I would like to see more of this trail development in other areas of the county. Travis County has some excellent trails at Pace Bend and Riemers as an example of where money is spent at county parks outside of Williamson County.	1/3/2018 7:31 AM
2	More outdoor/indoor pools	12/29/2017 3:31 PM
3	additional sports courts such as racquetball, youth size tennis courts	12/27/2017 2:11 PM
4	None. I am an ultrarunner so connecting trails would be great for me. It would also help in providing bike paths for people to get from one area of the county to another with out being on the streets	12/19/2017 1:46 PM
5	The trails are great but sometimes don't connect easily when we go bike riding.	12/18/2017 12:48 PM
6	Wildlife viewing shelters near waterways	12/15/2017 3:41 PM
7	Unpaved and paved hiking trails and bike trails. Designated trails for hiking only and others for biking only. Regional trail too busy with fast bikes.	12/15/2017 3:35 PM
8	Water features for kids.	12/15/2017 2:53 PM
9	none	12/15/2017 2:45 PM
10	Dog Parks More treed areas/natural trails through wooded areas Concessions at parks	12/15/2017 10:01 AM
11	.	12/14/2017 10:43 PM
12	Separate trails for bike riders and walkers. It's dangerous for walkers when bikes are on trails.	12/14/2017 3:42 PM
13	Just more open space for recreation	12/14/2017 1:57 PM
14	Areas for pets	12/14/2017 1:05 PM
15	Wildlife watching, native plants, bird habitat, unchannelled streams, greenbelts	12/14/2017 12:53 PM
16	I think you've got it pretty well covered.	12/10/2017 6:34 PM
17	connectivity throughtout the county to the parks so that it is safe to bike overland to the nearest park	12/10/2017 4:32 PM
18	Camping was barely mentioned at all.	12/10/2017 2:36 PM
19	Astronomy events ? Outdoor education not mentioned specifically. Guided walks on native plants - Outdoor education not mentioned specifically	12/9/2017 1:41 PM
20	You're doing fine. Could use better parking for big activities.	12/6/2017 3:44 PM
21	Website use / value for users and county residents	12/4/2017 2:57 PM
22	More softball fields at Southwest RC Park.	12/4/2017 12:26 PM
23	music in the parks; birding stations; volunteer opportunities	12/4/2017 10:30 AM
24	I would like to see more support (money / care) for the donkeys at Berry Springs	12/3/2017 8:38 PM
25	As mentioned in comments before, I love off-leash dog trails. They make it easy for pets and humans to go hiking together and is normally one of the first things I look for when I decide to go hiking.	12/2/2017 11:19 AM
26	More green space and less strip malls and apartment buildings/multi-residential.	12/1/2017 4:17 PM

27	...	12/1/2017 3:55 PM
28	biking trails	12/1/2017 9:24 AM
29	Additional park locations further north in the county. Not many locations convenient to the general area around Ronald Reagan and Williams Drive, heading towards Florence.	12/1/2017 9:01 AM
30	Dog Park	11/30/2017 1:17 PM
31	More connectivity across the area so that cycling and walking can become a safe and useful way to get places, not just for recreation.	11/30/2017 8:30 AM
32	None	11/30/2017 6:21 AM
33	-	11/30/2017 1:05 AM
34	More sports fields	11/29/2017 3:57 PM
35	Swimming	11/28/2017 10:16 PM
36	Continue to improve disc golf courses. Add disc golf courses. Add more mountain bike trails.	11/28/2017 3:53 PM
37	Nothing	11/28/2017 10:53 AM
38	Laboratory space to teach field botany and house herbarium specimens.	11/28/2017 8:07 AM
39	none	11/28/2017 6:34 AM
40	I think this survey has explained everything quite well.	11/28/2017 5:34 AM
41	None	11/27/2017 9:05 PM
42	N / A	11/27/2017 8:06 PM
43	Interconnection of trail system in Williamson County	11/27/2017 7:56 PM
44	none	11/27/2017 6:47 PM
45	I was on a County Parks Comm. up north and the splash facility we built near a small lake was a huge hit. A family carload would come in to picnic, the big kids would swim/kayak etc. in the lake, the little kids were in the splash park, some were playing Frisbee golf and everyone was eating. That park helped support some of the others without the lake, but providing X-country ski trails or events such a spring race dubbed the 'Mud Creek Crawl', which was sort of a steeplechase going over, under or around. .	11/27/2017 3:55 PM
46	Star gazing - night time	11/27/2017 12:42 PM
47	Mountain bike trails	11/27/2017 12:30 PM
48	nothing	11/27/2017 11:45 AM
49	open sports fields for pickup games in soccer, touch football, frisbee, etc	11/27/2017 10:34 AM
50	More fishing, including stocked fishing.	11/27/2017 9:50 AM
51	Sail and motor boat rentals	11/27/2017 9:42 AM
52	get the stumps and protruding rocks out of trails - keep limbs out of site line of users	11/27/2017 9:22 AM
53	None	11/27/2017 9:21 AM
54	Trials riding. Take an unusable area, e.g. too rocky and hilly. Establish a trials course for both bicycles and motorcycles. Relax, a trials motorcycle looks a lot like a mountain bicycle. This is a great family sport. I picture: adjacent parking, compost toilet, a few picnic tables under trees or small pavilion and a large illustrated map of the area with usage regulations.	11/27/2017 9:03 AM
55	Pickleball courts	11/27/2017 7:50 AM
56	paved biking trails	11/27/2017 7:49 AM
57	More biking similar to "Rail to Trail" program.	11/27/2017 7:21 AM
58	trails for mountain biking - not too rocky though	11/27/2017 7:17 AM
59	Can't think of any	11/27/2017 6:59 AM
60	Dog park	11/27/2017 6:32 AM

61	None	11/27/2017 6:10 AM
62	Guided hikes	11/27/2017 6:00 AM
63	I'm a fan of open space so anything that prevents cement and buildings is good. I don't honestly care if it's just open land with nothing on it. I think Round Rock is changing and not in a good way. Any green, open areas are good.	11/26/2017 6:12 PM
64	Have a competition size space for pétanque. It requires only a gravel area so people can bring their own equipment and play!	11/26/2017 2:36 PM
65	More needs to be done in eastern Williamson County. I would like to see the parks master plan address natural areas and walking/running/hiking. I don't see a need for more athletics fields.	11/26/2017 1:48 PM
66	tennis	11/26/2017 1:41 PM
67	Lots of nature landscapes	11/26/2017 1:08 PM
68	N/A	11/25/2017 7:19 PM
69	I haven't found one horse friendly trail yet. There isn't even a place where one is allowed to walk a miniature horse.	11/25/2017 7:11 PM
70	More stuff to do in north west williamson county.	11/25/2017 11:43 AM
71	Birding areas, quiet hiking paths for walkers only, mountain bike paths	11/24/2017 12:32 PM
72	Not sure	11/24/2017 9:14 AM
73	More access for blind visitors on safe walking trails.	11/24/2017 7:13 AM
74	A place to observe the constellations	11/24/2017 7:04 AM
75	Birding blinds, purple martin houses	11/24/2017 7:02 AM
76	More disc golf courses.	11/24/2017 4:05 AM
77	Expand, lengthen bike trails	11/24/2017 1:55 AM
78	Tennis courts	11/24/2017 12:32 AM
79	Personally, I believe the county spends way too much attention and money on parks. Better roads and traffic management are much higher priorities for me and my family	11/23/2017 10:29 PM
80	Dog areas	11/23/2017 4:24 PM
81	Separate adult and childrens' swimming pools. Some kind of emergency support system. Unfortunately, some evil people find parks and running trails good places to find their victims.	11/23/2017 8:31 AM
82	My kids love going to classes at the Austin Nature and Science Center. They're always cheap or free. I'd love to see something like that close to home in Williamson!	11/22/2017 2:59 PM
83	interpretive programs on level with national parks	11/21/2017 4:23 PM
84	Bike lanes	11/21/2017 3:54 PM
85	Recreational sport facilities	11/21/2017 2:55 PM
86	Gym space!	11/21/2017 1:39 PM
87	Basketball and volleyball courts	11/21/2017 10:26 AM
88	Better integration and connections with city and neighborhood parks and trails.	11/21/2017 8:36 AM
89	additional tennis courts	11/20/2017 4:55 PM
90	Preserve nature and open space. Although sports complexes are important I would rather see more open and natural spaces.	11/20/2017 4:44 PM
91	Outdoor event spaces (plays, musicals, music events)	11/20/2017 4:16 PM
92	Dedicated bike lane on 1431, 3406, 1460, 970	11/20/2017 1:43 PM
93	Williamson County has an excellent park system. Maintain what you have and maybe look at areas of the county that may not have easy access to a park.	11/20/2017 12:22 PM

94	Your website is terrible when compared to what is available for most other parks. Most importantly you need zoomable maps with GPS location built in. Next, you need wildlife information. Third you need educational materials.	11/20/2017 11:12 AM
95	more cycling opportunities	11/20/2017 10:58 AM
96	All have been addressed	11/20/2017 10:40 AM
97	designated free leash area	11/20/2017 10:26 AM
98	Keep good bike access open on Ronald Reagan, Chandler, other widely used roads. Complete the bike trail from Berry Springs under the interstate all the way to Williams Drive.	11/20/2017 10:00 AM
99	Provide access and connection to the parks via bikes. Also remember to prioritize paved dedicated bike lanes on all county arterial roads: 2243, 3405, RR, Williams, 971, etc. Wilco is a hub for bikers because of great shoulders on many roads. We need to keep it that way and improve by adding connecting paths to the parks. Thanks for taking input! Love wilco!	11/20/2017 8:38 AM
100	Continued bike access to roads such as Chandler Rd and Ronald Regan. Improved/widened shoulders on other roads between Williamson County cities for safer cycling.	11/19/2017 10:20 PM
101	Parks free from major utilities like power lines and sewage lines. Leave park space all natural, free from development because it's "easier" than other options.	11/19/2017 9:33 PM
102	More support for biking.	11/19/2017 9:10 PM
103	Skate park area, tennis courts, basketball courts, swimming pools	11/19/2017 8:50 PM
104	Biking, biking, biking safely!	11/19/2017 8:12 PM
105	None	11/19/2017 7:08 PM
106	Park directional information in more locations. Giving more options and difficulty ratings where needed.	11/19/2017 4:16 PM
107	Lake creek trail needs to be connected to something else. The fact that it borders to the COA area in NW Austin which is seriously lacking much green space sucks, and the city/Wilco and the North Austin 1 MUD aren't working well together. I hope the underpass under Parmer will connect it to the future development over on that ranch, but until then it's a great trail just so disconnected from everything. Safe trail connections are so important, a 1 mile trail is nothing if it's just by itself.	11/19/2017 9:29 AM
108	more trails	11/19/2017 8:27 AM
109	Can't think of anything else!	11/19/2017 8:02 AM
110	Open Track Crew Rowing.	11/19/2017 7:38 AM
111	not sure	11/19/2017 7:37 AM
112	A long term mobile park area.	11/19/2017 7:24 AM
113	N/A	11/19/2017 6:30 AM
114	splash pads	11/18/2017 11:20 PM
115	Bird blind	11/18/2017 10:27 PM
116	Bike lanes on roads	11/18/2017 6:40 PM
117	Community outreach	11/18/2017 5:38 PM
118	None	11/18/2017 4:52 PM
119	Clearly mark the regional trails, have "You are here" signs along the regional trails with a map and distances to landmarks/restrooms, and provide pdfs of the regional trail maps to download from a WilCo website.	11/18/2017 3:54 PM
120	A small petting zoo (goats, etc) would be nice for littles. I once lived in a town which had a fenced area in a park where they kept some deer that could be fed through the fence. It was free to see the animals, but there was also a food dispenser from which to buy food pellets.	11/18/2017 3:53 PM
121	More dedicated bike trails	11/18/2017 3:40 PM
122	Safer biking areas on roads and in all parks (Ronald Reagan Blv. and other county roads utilized by cyclists). Our triathlon club rides in and around this area all-year long and we have witnessed aggressive drivers and avoidable bike/car accidents and deaths. Thank you.	11/18/2017 2:19 PM

123	Major network of bike trails!	11/18/2017 12:12 PM
124	Mountain bike trails	11/18/2017 12:12 PM
125	Better playgrounds with more shade.	11/18/2017 10:45 AM
126	More off-leash areas for dogs. More water fountains. Greater exposure (concerts in the park, kits day, dog day, etc.)	11/18/2017 9:39 AM
127	Splash pad/water park	11/18/2017 9:35 AM
128	Sports fields near Georgetown	11/18/2017 9:11 AM
129	Keep major bike use roads accessible and safe for cyclists - e.g., Ronald Reagan and chandler road. Work on making williamson county safer for road cyclists in general.	11/18/2017 8:42 AM
130	?	11/18/2017 8:08 AM
131	Public Hunting Areas for small game	11/18/2017 8:04 AM
132	Obstacle courses for fun workouts	11/18/2017 7:50 AM
133	More paved bike paths. Wider multi use trails. Connect Berry Springs Park to Bootys Park with paved trail or path. Safe wide multi use path on Shell. Connect safe bike paths to Chandler Road and Ronald Reagan.	11/18/2017 7:30 AM
134	Farmers markets	11/18/2017 7:24 AM
135	More county amenities closer to Georgetown such as overnight RV camping, pools, splashpads, playgrounds	11/18/2017 7:11 AM
136	Additional bike trails around town	11/18/2017 3:10 AM
137	Paved bike paths	11/18/2017 12:43 AM
138	Miniature golf	11/18/2017 12:09 AM
139	Tennis courts. Hiking. Mountain bike trails.	11/17/2017 8:31 PM
140	Night sky events	11/17/2017 8:02 PM
141	Misting shower like the one on San Gabriel River Trail to cool off on a hot summer day. And also water fountains are great	11/17/2017 7:43 PM
142	Dog park, more water misters	11/17/2017 5:21 PM
143	More benches along trails for us older folks who still love to walk and hike but need to sit down occasionally.	11/17/2017 4:40 PM
144	Hike and bike trails linking already existing trails (such as from Leander Rd to the G'town Park trails in G'town).	11/17/2017 4:21 PM
145	More grassland prairies and bird habitats	11/17/2017 4:10 PM
146	None	11/17/2017 3:57 PM
147	we need more off-leash dog parks	11/17/2017 3:51 PM
148	none	11/17/2017 3:39 PM
149	Dog park	11/17/2017 3:31 PM
150	A veloway, I'm so tired of bicyclists putting my family's life in danger so they can get their exercise by illegally riding on the streets!	11/17/2017 3:23 PM
151	Historical kiosks	11/17/2017 3:13 PM
152	None. I think you do an amazing job.	11/17/2017 1:55 PM
153	need additional trail	11/17/2017 1:20 PM
154	primitive camping	11/17/2017 12:42 PM
155	Please, many more bike trails in Williamson county and round Rock. We have a large family and love to go on long bike rides with our kids. It would be great if more bike trails connected.	11/17/2017 11:35 AM
156	More Mountain Bike trails	11/17/2017 10:49 AM

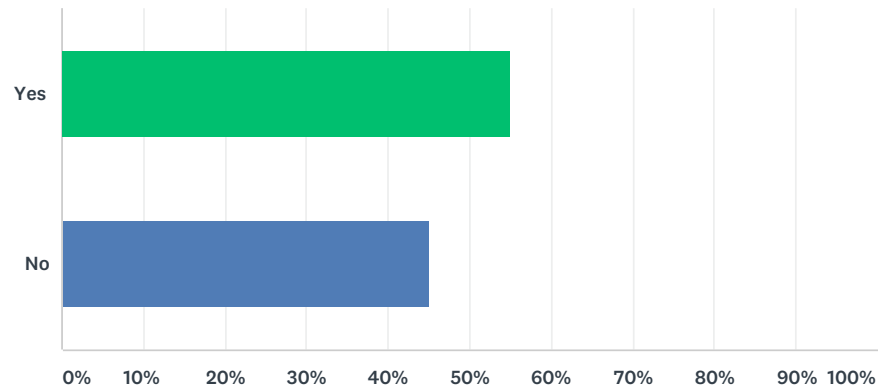
157	Accessible park land & county outdoor amenities in Eastern Wilco.	11/17/2017 10:02 AM
158	Soccer	11/17/2017 8:50 AM
159	Please work with the scouting organizations to provide support to their programs.	11/17/2017 8:46 AM
160	Parks maintenance. Be sure you can take good care of existing facilities while adding more.	11/17/2017 7:02 AM
161	Splash pads	11/17/2017 5:24 AM
162	The biggest most awesome Wooded castle/ fort playscape ever!	11/17/2017 12:47 AM
163	East side trails and green space	11/17/2017 12:04 AM
164	community gardens	11/16/2017 11:08 PM
165	N/a	11/16/2017 10:57 PM
166	Mountain Bike Trails!!!! Good, technical singletrack like the trails along Brushy Creek. Those are amazing!	11/16/2017 10:50 PM
167	My family and I really enjoy the long trail system that runs from the university down to Lake Georgetown. We drive in from Pflugerville and end up walking around town square or visiting a restaurant after we finish walking the trails.	11/16/2017 10:28 PM
168	Wildlife habitats like pollinator gardens, demonstration gardens,	11/16/2017 8:19 PM
169	Parking spaces! Too many of the parks and especially trail heads do not have enough formal parking.	11/16/2017 8:19 PM
170	County fair	11/16/2017 7:50 PM
171	Na	11/16/2017 6:51 PM
172	Not so much as another experience or activity, but simple outdoor shower(head)s at trailheads/restrooms would be great for runners such as myself and relatively inexpensive since the facilities are already plumbed. Just cut the sign budget on the Regional Trail and I'm sure this could be easily afforded.	11/16/2017 5:44 PM
173	additional disc golf facilities, longer hiking trails 3-5 miles, off road bicycling, velodrome,	11/16/2017 5:01 PM
174	I think there should be land where small outdoor concerts can held. Not just around the courthouse, or holidays. A place where local talent can play and people can enjoy not just music but being outdoors and possibly have a type of drive in movie at the same location for families. Maybe not for cars but a lawn where they can sit, eat and have family night.	11/16/2017 4:42 PM
175	Paddle boats	11/16/2017 4:08 PM
176	None	11/16/2017 3:58 PM
177	Proper long hiking trails for various skill sets.	11/16/2017 3:23 PM
178	Additional bocce ball, volleyball, and/or tennis courts	11/16/2017 3:10 PM
179	Water elements such as splash pads!	11/16/2017 3:05 PM
180	N/A	11/16/2017 2:59 PM
181	I think Williamson county needs to fluxes on the Taylor area and give us more !!	11/16/2017 2:19 PM
182	More trees and tree house for play	11/16/2017 2:05 PM
183	Bike Commuting, especially southwards into Travis County More/better Splash Pads accessible along brushy creek regional trail (around great oaks) Playgrounds similar to what the city of Round Rock have installed (see Play for all and Old Settlers Park)	11/16/2017 2:02 PM
184	I am disabled..so well maintained pathways are very important. Also..safe bike paths to get to the parks..instead of driving to them transporting my bike in my car. I live off 2243 on Riverview. Biking on 2243 to town is not safe.	11/16/2017 1:30 PM
185	Encourage Mountain biking trail development by partnering with Austin Ridge Riders. (Wilco SW Regional, Brushy Creek, etc.)	11/16/2017 12:44 PM
186	Mtn bike trails Disk golf Climbing walls More signage on nature wildflowers	11/16/2017 11:41 AM
187	open areas to do physical activity - such as stretching and/or dance classes	11/16/2017 11:14 AM

188	My husband and I play Pokémon Go with our friends and their kids at least once a week at the parks. Its a great way to keep the kids engaged, get some exercise, and enjoy nature at the same time. We see multiple people/families doing the same while we are there. I think our parks would really benefit if we posted on social media which Pokémon are at which parks (which changes every other week), or post when there are special Pokémon events (like the ones that require a certain distance be walked to "hatch" a Pokémon egg). Its a great way to engage entire families and encourage people to get out and walk the park trails! :-)	11/16/2017 10:41 AM
189	Organized educational activities for kids.	11/16/2017 10:13 AM
190	If the City of Round Rock has no plans to actually go ahead with Behrens Ranch Park, Williamson County should develop that park plan	11/16/2017 9:59 AM
191	I would like to have more areas to kayak/canoe.	11/16/2017 9:58 AM
192	Pools, Water park for humans and dogs	11/16/2017 9:55 AM
193	more safe, clean dog parks	11/16/2017 9:25 AM
194	Link trail system to downtown Round Rock, Georgetown, etc. Makes the trails more usable by families.	11/16/2017 9:12 AM
195	Please stop tearing down trees to add for trails. We do not need the Brushy creek trail extension going through our neighborhood. More "traffic" increases crime and we are already seeing this effect with the addition of the Creek Bend blvd. The light pollution is also harmful for creatures who live along the creek. Preserve our beautiful area by not building it all up!	11/16/2017 6:31 AM
196	WHite water surf course	11/16/2017 6:16 AM
197	Love the fishing idea. Moved to Williamson county 3 years ago from New England. I was raised fishing, and would love to do the same for my kids, but being newer to the area I don't know where to go.	11/15/2017 10:46 PM
198	a rodeo areana , horses to ride.	11/15/2017 9:24 PM
199	Post signage prohibiting firearms and air soft gun "play", post 30.06 and 30.07 and prohibit all firearms, rifles, shotguns, etc. County swimming pool, splash pads, Emergency notification buttons at intervals on the trails especially less visited and less visible areas Lightning detection warnings	11/15/2017 8:28 PM
200	Mountain biking trails, esp single track. Dirtbike or ATV recreation would be tremendously popular. Waterparks	11/15/2017 7:59 PM
201	Backpacking/camping trails	11/15/2017 7:06 PM
202	Mostly just want connected trails - preferably w/ loops	11/15/2017 6:53 PM
203	Camping and advertising for what is available	11/15/2017 6:41 PM
204	Anything for young children!	11/15/2017 6:38 PM
205	nature outdoor events, butterfly migration areas, birding areas, guided nature walks	11/15/2017 6:28 PM
206	More non-RV camping areas and outdoor music	11/15/2017 6:14 PM
207	Cleaner parks. Trash picked up at the parks and playgrounds	11/15/2017 6:01 PM
208	Dogs allowed on leash with dog waste pickup supplies nearby.	11/15/2017 4:33 PM
209	none that I can think of.	11/15/2017 4:11 PM
210	Nothing comes to mind	11/15/2017 3:58 PM
211	Opportunities for the Goodwater Master Naturalists to provide interpretive tours and education about the importance of these spaces for maintaining balance in our environment: a place for native plants and species to survive and thrive!	11/15/2017 3:30 PM
212	none	11/15/2017 3:08 PM
213	sports for seniors.	11/15/2017 2:26 PM
214	More fishing and better stocking and maintenance of fishing areas in Taylor area	11/15/2017 2:20 PM
215	Benches and places to sit for a few minutes along trails.	11/15/2017 1:38 PM
216	Water parks/splash pads	11/15/2017 1:31 PM

217	Can't think of any	11/15/2017 12:56 PM
218	Williamson County Parks are excellent and so well maintained. Adding more passive recreation in parks connecting regional trails would make them even better. The amenities and conditions in our Wilco parks far surpass those in nearby counties.	11/15/2017 12:10 PM
219	Volleyball	11/15/2017 12:01 PM
220	Dog parks are needed	11/15/2017 11:21 AM
221	na	11/15/2017 11:10 AM
222	Playground areas that would offer educational opportunities	11/15/2017 10:45 AM
223	pickleball, tennis, disc golf	11/15/2017 10:04 AM
224	Increase educational opportunities/ experiences with all county schools including events which engage the county as a whole and not a "regional area" only.	11/15/2017 9:48 AM
225	mountain bike trails	11/15/2017 9:14 AM
226	single-track mountain bike trails	11/15/2017 9:13 AM
227	na	11/15/2017 9:00 AM
228	Interested in park opening between Jonah and Taylor - will be another one within a distance of our home that we could enjoy.	11/15/2017 8:51 AM
229	Adult Playgrounds...example...exercise equipment under a pavilion.	11/15/2017 8:41 AM
230	Horseback riding	11/15/2017 8:40 AM
231	None	11/15/2017 8:35 AM
232	Opportunities to be able to rent equipment; for example kayaks, paddle boards at the lake; bikes at the park.	11/15/2017 8:34 AM
233	Outdoor Concerts/Passive activities such as tree stump spaced walking/ Zen sand raking/Railroad Tie 2 inches off ground balance beam walking/shaded zen areas	11/15/2017 8:29 AM

Q18 Would you like to receive updates on the County's parks master planning process?

Answered: 465 Skipped: 61



ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
Yes		55.05%	256
No		44.95%	209
TOTAL			465

Q19 If you answered "yes" to question #18, please provide your email address below.

Answered: 252 Skipped: 274

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PARKLAND IMPROVEMENTS

Goal 1: Efficiently Develop and Enhance Park Facilities and Amenities

	RECOMMENDED ACTIONS	PLEASE PLACE A STICKY NOTE WITH YOUR THOUGHTS
1.1	Expand and diversify County park offerings for overnight rental accommodations	<p>Use something that would be there until then. Plan to offer plans to camp already.</p> <p>Use something that would be there until then. Plan to offer plans to camp already.</p> <p>Use something that would be there until then. Plan to offer plans to camp already.</p>
1.2	Consider further expansion of the Expo Center facilities to meet customer demand and provide additional destination opportunities	<p>Use something that would be there until then. Plan to offer plans to camp already.</p> <p>Use something that would be there until then. Plan to offer plans to camp already.</p> <p>Use something that would be there until then. Plan to offer plans to camp already.</p>
1.3	Monitor the need for additional temporary and permanent parking at trailheads and parks along the regional trail system	<p>Use something that would be there until then. Plan to offer plans to camp already.</p> <p>Use something that would be there until then. Plan to offer plans to camp already.</p> <p>Use something that would be there until then. Plan to offer plans to camp already.</p>
1.4	Delay the development of the Blackland Heritage County Park and evaluate opportunities for park expansion along the San Gabriel River corridor	<p>Use something that would be there until then. Plan to offer plans to camp already.</p> <p>Use something that would be there until then. Plan to offer plans to camp already.</p> <p>Use something that would be there until then. Plan to offer plans to camp already.</p>
1.5	Expand the network of nature trails within existing and future parks	<p>Use something that would be there until then. Plan to offer plans to camp already.</p> <p>Use something that would be there until then. Plan to offer plans to camp already.</p> <p>Use something that would be there until then. Plan to offer plans to camp already.</p>

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PARKLAND IMPROVEMENTS

Goal 2: Seek Financial Partnerships Through Shared-Use Facilities and Sponsorships

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RECOMMENDED ACTIONS	
2.1 Examine the potential for corporate, individual and non-profit sponsorships to assist with park system capital projects, events and maintenance	<p>Corporate sponsorships want their name advertised and that feels like in a park setting Corporate sponsorships</p> <p>Like this idea MKTEN NATUREVIBES</p> <p>Highly against - you'll end up with a better Park type situation than the parks we have</p> <p>Don't like it You end up with a worse situation than you have now</p>
2.2 Continue to explore revenue enhancements through shared arrangements of parks and park facilities with public and commercial users	<p>Not sure about this idea!</p> <p>Office building No sports events</p> <p>Good idea! Must make the park more appealing to sports fields</p>
2.3 Design and build indoor facilities within the parks that provide multi-use flexible space for public and private events to generate revenue for the department	<p>Agreed needs to be explored</p> <p>Yes, too!</p> <p>Good idea! A lot of people are looking for indoor space for events</p>
2.4 Encourage the use of County parks and facilities for public and private special events to generate revenue and promote the parks	<p>Must explore fields Sponsorships Special events!</p> <p>Good idea! A lot of people are looking for indoor space for events</p>

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PARK SYSTEM EXPANSION

Goal 1: Evaluate Opportunities for Land Acquisition

1.1 Proactively evaluate four to five geographic areas to consider the purchase of a large property for a future County park

1.2 Focus future land acquisition and park planning efforts on conservation, heritage and passive recreation

1.3 Explore potential partnerships and arrangements on state and federal lands, such as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers property

1.4 Create opportunities for both conservation and recreation by dovetailing efforts with state and county floodplain studies

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Goal 2: Emphasize Education and Conservation as Primary Themes in New Pa

	RECOMMENDED ACTIONS	PLEASE PLACE A STICKY NOTE WITH YOUR THOUGHTS
2.1	Expand educational conservation programs such as "Leave No Trace" through signage, events, volunteers, and community organizations	<p>Yes! Use! Go back!</p> <p>✓ LOT L.L + K.C. 10/12</p> <p>Build on public & private land. Signage, events, volunteer groups, etc. are all great ideas. Use them.</p>
2.2	Promote and communicate County conservation efforts through events, activities, amenities, and interpretive education centers	<p>Interpretive Centers are a Win-Win</p> <p>Critics - people seem not to know some of these features</p>
2.3	Promote an understanding of the county's natural resources and sensitive environmental features such as caves and habitats	<p>Wayfinding U Area - But Please use to interpret caves better</p> <p>Use words like cave, rock, etc. instead of just geological terms. Use words like cave, rock, etc. instead of just geological terms.</p> <p>Don't forget to take time to go outside more</p>
2.4	Install additional educational, informational and historical interpretive way-finding throughout the parks and trail system	

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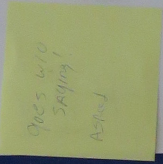
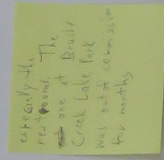

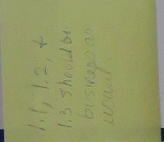

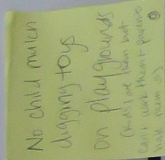

FOCUS AREA **OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE**

Goal 1: Ensure Consistent, Quality Maintenance of Park System Facilities

The 1.1, 1.2, & 1.3 goals represent the "park system" and are critical to the overall success of the park system.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

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1.1	Continue to meet citizen expectations for the maintenance and operation of County park facilities, amenities and services	  
1.2	Monitor and evaluate existing facilities and resources for efficiencies and maintenance standards	 
1.3	Extend the life-cycle of County park facilities through continual review of and compliance with facility resource use guidelines	 

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Goal 2: Identify Operational and Resource Needs Necessary to Implement the Plan

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RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

2.1	Evaluate needs for additional staff and resources as necessary to effectively manage the responsibilities of parks, trails, and open space system	<div>Volunteer "Friends of" efforts</div> <div>Don't understaff</div> <div></div>
2.2	Determine the financial needs for future land acquisition and regional trail system expansion to include in a subsequent bond proposal	<div>Pay the land before it is gone</div> <div></div>
2.3	Continuously improve and update the County's digital communication efforts to provide additional information and resources	<div>Develop information</div> <div>Yes- Keep into online - available on social media to educate more people</div> <div></div>

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REGIONAL TRAIL PLAN

Goal 1: Facilitate and Coordinate a County-wide Regional Trail Plan

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

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1.1	Partner with local cities to incorporate the regional trail plan corridors into their transportation plans and long-range policies	<div>YES! @jcs</div> <div>Yes! Learn more</div> <div>Please! Longer trails!</div> <div></div>
1.2	Foster relationships with regional mobility organizations to leverage the planning, funding and coordination of the regional trail system	<div>YES!</div> <div>Agreed</div> <div></div>
1.3	Continue to work with Travis County to integrate plans for an interconnected regional trail system	<div>YES!</div> <div>You have to the key - you can't travel system</div> <div></div>

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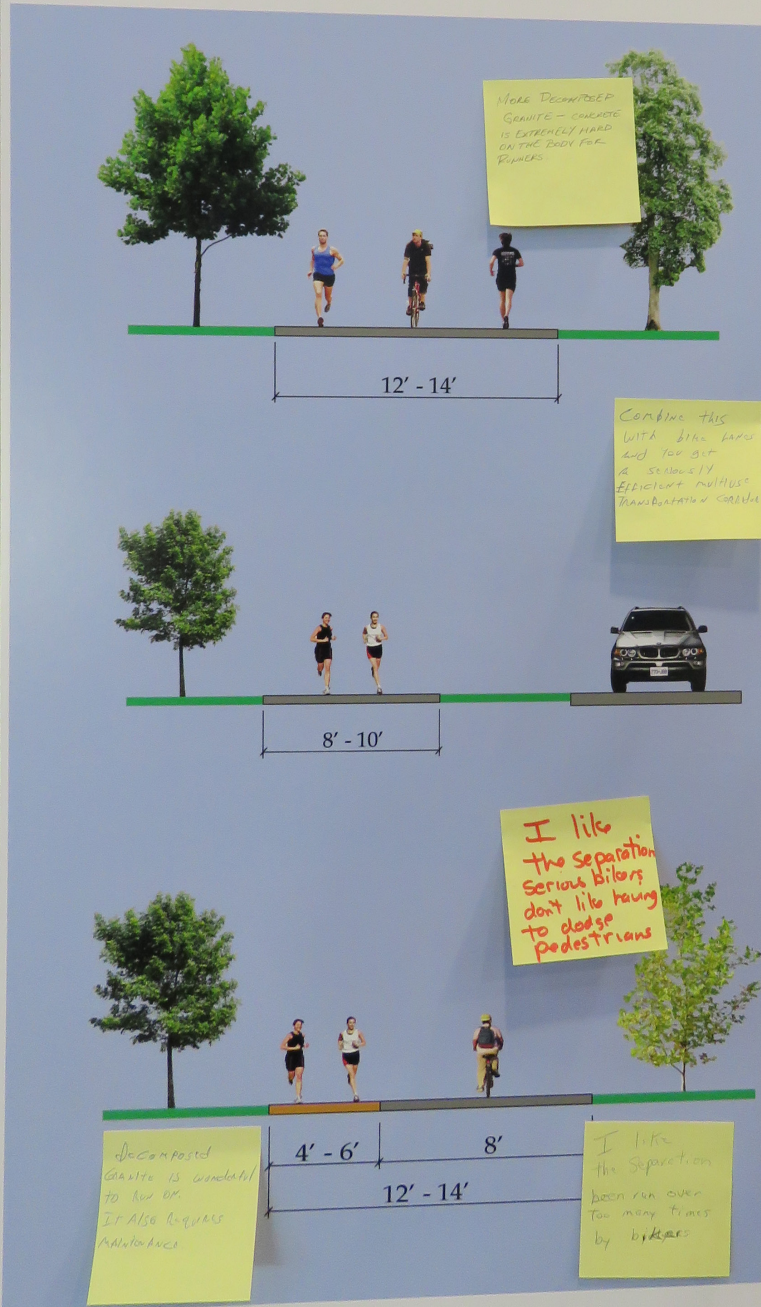
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Goal 3: Establish a Funding Strategy for the Construction and Maintenance of the Regional Trail System

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS	PLEASE PLACE A STICKY NOTE WITH YOUR THOUGHTS
<p>3.1 Ensure sufficient allocation of resources for the safe use of the trails commensurate with trail expansion</p>	
<p>3.2 Foster cooperation with local volunteer groups to maintain and enhance the regional trail system</p>	<p>Consider bond sold help complete w/ volunteers pathways</p> <p>ORGANIZE FRIENDS GROUPS TO ASSIST WITH TRAIL BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE SEE ALSO #4</p> <p>This is really important!</p> <p>Good idea forgot it! Good mba</p> <p>Yes!</p> <p>Get cities on board! ✓</p> <p>Volunteer Groups - "Trail Buds" take the time to visit the trails as we can't always get around the trails, volunteer and have fun!</p> <p>Love! Love! Enforce</p>
<p>3.3 Earmark bond capital specifically for cost-sharing of trail construction with local governments</p>	
<p>3.4 Consider a non-profit foundation to raise funds for the regional trail system</p>	
<p>3.5 Work with cities to incorporate trails into their lists of eligible improvements for Type B economic development sales tax revenue</p>	

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REGIONAL TRAIL TYPES



Preferred Trail Section

The recommended preferred trail section is a 12' to 14' wide concrete trail. This trail section accommodates the most trail users and handles high traffic volumes. The wide section is ideal for a regional, shared-use trail while the concrete surface is preferred for durability and low maintenance costs. Appropriate in flood-prone areas and sloped terrain.

Alternative Section (Sidepath)

A recommended alternative to the preferred section is an 8' to 10' wide concrete trail alongside a public street. These trails may be necessary as linkages between regional trail and also to regional destinations. The narrower width emphasizes lower travel speeds, particularly for cyclists. Sidepaths may also function as a street sidewalk, which means a greater volume of daily foot traffic. A generous buffer between the street and sidepath is desired on major streets.

Alternative Section (dual-surface)

A second recommended alternative is a dual-surface trail that accommodates a variety of trail users on separate surfaces. This section would contain a 3 to 5' wide jogging/pedestrian lane with a surface of decomposed granite or similar material for the comfort of joggers and pedestrians. The remaining attached or detached trail is concrete, for all other users. This alternative is more expensive to maintain and is not appropriate within floodplains, along slopes, or along public streets.

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CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL & COMMUNITY SERVICE

AMERICORPS

AmeriCorps seeks to strengthen communities through projects that address education, public safety, the environment, and other unmet human needs. AmeriCorps grants are awarded to eligible organizations proposing to engage AmeriCorps members in evidence-based or evidence-informed interventions to strengthen communities.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit a Notification of Intent to apply for this competition, but it is not required. There are application deadlines at various times throughout the year.

Amount: Vary, may be awarded as fixed amount or cost reimbursement

Website: <https://www.nationalservice.gov/build-your-capacity/grants/funding-opportunities/2018/ameri-corps-state-and-national-grants-fy-2018>

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – FOOD NUTRITION SERVICE

CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) offers funds for meals and snacks for children in low-income areas during after-school and summer hours. Through the Child and Adult Care Food Program, USDA administers Afterschool Snacks, a program that offers reimbursement for snacks to after-school care program providers. For eligibility, the after-school programs must offer educational or enrichment activities in an organized, structured, and supervised environment after school, on weekends or holidays during the school year. The organization will be reimbursed at the highest level, currently 55 cents a snack per child per day.

For more information, go to: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/child-and-adult-care-food-program>

Contact: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-contacts>

Texas Office:

Administered by Texas Department of Agriculture
1700 N. Congress Ave., 11th Floor
Austin, TX 78701
Phone: 877-839-6325
<http://www.squaremeals.org>

FARM TO SCHOOL GRANT

The purpose of the USDA Farm to School Grant Program is to assist eligible entities in implementing farm to school programs that improve access to local foods in eligible schools. On an annual basis, USDA awards up to \$5 million in competitive grants for training, supporting operations, planning, purchasing equipment, developing school gardens, developing partnerships, and implementing farm to school programs.

The Program offers three types of grants: Planning awards range from \$20,000 - \$45,000; implementation and support service awards range from \$65,000 - \$100,000; training awards range from \$15,000 - \$50,000. Matching funds of 25% are required for all four grant types.

Website: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/farmtoschool/farm-school-grant-program>
Amount: \$15,000 to \$100,000; Total program funding estimated to be \$5 million.
Timeframe: December 8, 2017
Contact: farmtoschool@fns.usda.gov

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

COMMUNITY FOOD PROJECTS (CFP) COMPETITIVE GRANTS PROGRAM

The primary goals of the CFP are to: Meet the food needs of low-income individuals through food distribution, community outreach to assist in participation in Federally assisted nutrition programs, or improving access to food as part of a comprehensive service; Increase the self-reliance of communities in providing for the food needs of the communities; Promote comprehensive responses to local food access, farm, and nutrition issues; and Meet specific state, local or neighborhood food and agricultural needs including needs relating to: Equipment necessary for the efficient operation of a project; Planning for long-term solutions; or The creation of innovative marketing activities that mutually benefit agricultural producers and low-income consumers. This grant requires 100% matching.

Examples of CFP Projects include, but are not limited to, community gardens with market stands, value chain projects, food hubs, farmers' markets, farm-to-institutions projects, and marketing & consumer cooperatives. All projects must involve low-income participants.

Examples of PPs include, but are not limited to, community food assessments' coordination of collaboration development plan, GIS analysis, food sovereignty study, and farm-to-institution exploration. All projects must involve low-income participants

Website: <https://nifa.usda.gov/funding-opportunity/community-food-projects-cfp-competitive-grants-program>
Amount: Total program funding: \$8.64 million; Maximum award of \$125,000 for Community Food Projects and \$35,000 for Planning Projects
Timeframe: December 4, 2017
Contact:

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVE PROGRAM (EQIP)

EQIP provides financial and technical assistance to agricultural producers in order to address natural resource concerns and deliver environmental benefits such as improved water and air quality, conserved ground and surface water, reduced soil erosion and sedimentation or improved or created wildlife habitat.

Eligible program participants receive financial and technical assistance to implement conservation practices, or activities like conservation planning, that address natural resource concerns on their land. Payments are

made to participants after conservation practices and activities identified in an EQIP plan of operations are implemented. Contracts can last up to ten years.

Website: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/national/programs/financial/equip/?cid=stelprdb1242633>

Texas website: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/tx/programs/financial/equip/>

Contact:

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CONSERVATION INNOVATION GRANTS (CIG)

Conservation Innovation Grants (CIG) are competitive grants that stimulate the development and adoption of innovative approaches and technologies for conservation on agricultural lands. CIG uses Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) funds to award competitive grants to non-Federal governmental or nongovernmental organizations, American Indian Tribes, or individuals. Producers involved in CIG funded projects must be EQIP eligible.

Through CIG, NRCS partners with public and private entities to accelerate technology transfer and adopt promising technologies. These new technologies and approaches address some of the Nation's most pressing natural resources concerns. CIG benefits agricultural producers by providing more options for environmental enhancement and compliance with Federal, State, and local regulations.

States can also award project that benefit a limited geographical area. Participating states will announce their funding availability for CIG competitions through their state NRCS offices.

The maximum CIG award is set annually by the NRCS Chief and historically has been either \$1 million or \$2 million. An applicant's CIG funding request must be matched at least 1:1 with non-federal funding. Matching funds can be any combination of cash and in-kind contributions. The grantee is also responsible for providing the technical assistance required to successfully complete the project. NRCS will provide technical oversight for each project receiving an award.

Website: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/financial/cig/>

Texas webpage: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/tx/programs/financial/cig/>

Amount: Total program funding averages \$20 million per year. Max award set annually.

Timeframe:

Contact:

National & Texas Office:

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AIR QUALITY INITIATIVE

The NRCS Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) Air Quality Initiative provides financial assistance to implement conservation practices that address air resource issues for designated locations throughout the nation. Agricultural atmospheric related concerns include greenhouse gas emissions, ozone precursors, volatile organic compounds, airborne particulate matter, and some odor-related volatile compounds. For more information about agricultural air quality concerns, see the Air Quality topic.

Timeframe: NRCS accepts applications for assistance on continuous basis, but states may establish application periods.

Website: <https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/financial/air/>

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Local Natural Resources Conservation Service Office Locations: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/contact/local/>

CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

The Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) offers assistance to land owners who are already implementing conservation practices to enhance those practices. For example, if you have been practicing prescribed grazing, CSP would give you options to enhance that practice with activities such as grazing management to improve plants for wildlife, or grazing management to reduce soil compaction, or grazing management to improve riparian function, just to name a few.

With enrollment in CSP, the local NRCS conservation planner will have a one-on-one consultation with the property owner(s) to evaluate your current management system and the natural resources on your land. The NRCS conservation planner will present a variety of CSP enhancement alternatives for implementation on the land, based on existing conservation practices. CSP offers annual incentive payments for installing these enhancement practices.

Website: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/financial/csp/>

Texas website: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/tx/programs/financial/csp/>

Award: varies based on implementation of conservation practices

Timeframe: Applications are accepted throughout the year. Specific deadlines are set for ranking and funding opportunities.

CONSERVATION TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The purpose of the program is to assist land—users, communities, units of state and local government, and other federal agencies in planning and implementing conservation systems. The purpose of the conservation systems are to reduce erosion, improve soil and water quality, improve and conserve wetlands, enhance fish and wildlife habitat, improve air quality, improve pasture and range condition, reduce upstream flooding, and improve woodlands. The program is also used as a means to collect, analyze, interpret, display, and disseminate information about the condition and trends of the Nation's soil and other natural resources so that people can make good decisions about resource use and about public policies for resource conservation. Information collected through the program is used to develop effective science-based technologies for natural resource assessment, management, and conservation.

For more information about the Conservation Technical Assistance program go to: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/technical/cta/>

Technical assistance is provided at the state level by State Conservationists. Contact information for each State Conservationists is available at: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/site/tx/home/>

Contact:

Texas Office:

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Local Natural Resources Conservation Service Office Locations: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/contact/local/>

EMERGENCY WATERSHED PROTECTION PROGRAM

The Emergency Watershed Protection Program (EWPP) is designed to help people and conserve natural resources by relieving imminent hazards to life and property caused by floods, fires, windstorms, and other natural occurrences. EWP is an emergency recovery program. All projects undertaken, with the exception of the purchase of floodplain easements, must have a project sponsor.

NRCS may bear up to 75 percent of the construction cost of emergency measures. The remaining 25 percent must come from local sources and can be in the form of cash or in-kind services. Funding is subject to Congressional approval.

City and county governments, flood and water control districts, and soil and water conservation districts are the most common sponsors of EWP projects. Activities include providing financial and technical assistance to:

- remove debris from stream channels, road culverts, and bridges,
- reshape and protect eroded banks,
- correct damaged drainage facilities,
- establish cover on critically eroding lands,
- repair levees and structures, and
- repair conservation practices.

NRCS may purchase EWP easements “in lieu of recovery” on any floodplain lands that have been impaired within the last 12 months or that have a history of repeated flooding (i.e., flooded at least two times during the past 10 years). If it is more cost effective, EWP-Floodplain Easement (FPE) can be used as an alternative to EWP. See the comparison of EWP and EWP-FPE.

Website: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/landscape/ewpp/>

State website: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/tx/programs/financial/ewp/>

Award: state-administered. Texas received over \$21 million in FY2016 to restore conditions from heavy rains and flooding in 2015.

Timeframe:

Contact: National Emergency Watershed Protection Program Manager, Shawn Anderson, National Emergency Watershed Protection Program Coordinator, at 202-720-5795.

In Texas: Claude Ross, State Easement Program Manager, claudeross@tx.usda.gov, 254-742-9822

WATERSHED AND FLOOD PREVENTION OPERATIONS (WFPO) PROGRAM

The Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations (WFPO) Program provides technical and financial assistance to States, local governments and Tribes (project sponsors) to plan and implement authorized watershed project plans for the purpose of:

- watershed protection
- flood mitigation
- water quality improvements
- soil erosion reduction
- rural, municipal and industrial water supply
- irrigation
- water management
- sediment control
- fish and wildlife enhancement
- hydropower

Under the Watershed Program NRCS cooperates with States and local agencies to carry out works of improvement for soil conservation and for other purposes including flood prevention; conservation, development, utilization and disposal of water; and conservation and proper utilization of land.

Website: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/landscape/wfpo/>

State website: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/site/tx/home/>

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – RURAL DEVELOPMENT

COMMUNITY FACILITIES DIRECT LOAN & GRANT PROGRAM

This program provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. An essential community facility is defined as a facility that provides an essential service to the local community for the orderly development of the community in a primarily rural area, and does not include private, commercial or business undertakings.

Eligible areas include rural cities, villages, townships, or towns with no more than 20,000 residents. Funding types include low-interest loans, grants, or a combination of the two. Grants are awarded on a need-basis,

based on community size and median household income. Grant assistance share of total eligible project costs is limited depending on community size and median household income.

Website:

<http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities-direct-loan-grant-program/tx>

Contact:

Texas USDA Rural Development State Office

101 South Main Street, Suite 102

Temple, TX 76501

ph: 254-742-9700

Fax: (844) 496-8123

RURAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE GRANTS

This program provides funding to help non-profit housing and community development organizations support housing, community facilities, and community and economic development projects in rural areas.

Funds may be used to improve housing, community facilities, and community and economic development projects in rural areas.

Eligible areas include rural cities, villages, townships, or towns with no more than 20,000 residents. Funding types include low-interest loans, grants, or a combination of the two. Grants are awarded on a need-basis, based on community size and median household income. Grant assistance share of total eligible project costs is limited depending on community size and median household income.

100% matching is required.

Website:

<http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities-direct-loan-grant-program/tx>

Amount: Minimum grant award is \$50,000; maximum grant award is \$250,000

Timeframe:

Contact: Texas USDA Rural Development State Office

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – US FOREST SERVICE

URBAN AND COMMUNITY FORESTRY PROGRAM, COUNCIL & 10-YEAR ACTION PLAN

The Urban and Community Forestry program assists state forestry agencies, local and tribal governments, and private sector entities improve natural resource management of trees and forests in urban areas and community settings. The program encourages and facilitates the active involvement of volunteers in the management and protection of their community's natural resources. The program also analyzes, develops, disseminates, and demonstrates scientific information about protecting, managing, and maintaining community forest resources. States are encouraged to offer competitive grants that involve partnerships with local governments, nonprofit organizations, and the private sector for the purpose of establishing effective community forestry programs.

Website: <http://www.fs.fed.us/managing-land/urban-forests/ucf>

The National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council (NUCFAC) is a Congressionally designated advisory council to the Secretary of Agriculture on urban forestry and related issues. The 1990 Farm Bill created NUCFAC to bring together the wide variety of voices raised about a common concern: the present health and future preservation of America's urban forests. NUCFAC was founded to synthesize the full spectrum of views into a consistent vision, as a foundation for practical policy on urban forestry and related natural resources.

Website: <http://www.fs.fed.us/managing-land/urban-forests/ucf/nucfac>

The Ten Year Urban Forestry Action Plan developed by and for the urban forestry community. The plan's purpose is to expand awareness of the benefits that our urban forests, including green infrastructure, provide to communities throughout the nation, and increase investments in these urban forest resources for the benefit of current and future generations. The plan provides specific goals, actions, and recommendations for improving the status of urban and community forestry for the United States and its territories. The plan also identifies research needs, messaging and communications needs, and innovative funding and collaborative opportunities for urban forestry initiatives. Notably, this plan also serves as a framework for funding and recommendation priorities developed by the National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council (NUCFAC) for the U.S. Forest Service's National Urban and Community Forestry program and National Challenge Cost Share Grants. The urban forestry community, including the Forest Service and other applicable Federal agencies, are to use the Action Plan as a guide to implement and expand urban and community forestry for the next ten years.

Website: <http://urbanforestplan.org/>

Contact: Nancy Stremple, Urban Forestry Program Specialist, Phone 202-309-9873, nstremple@fs.fed.us

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE – NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION

NTIA administers grant programs that further the deployment and use of broadband and other technologies in America, laying the groundwork for sustainable economic growth; improved education, public safety, and health care; and the advancement of other national priorities.

The agency manages two broadband grant programs funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act: the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) and the State Broadband Initiative (SBI) (formerly called the State Broadband Data and Development Grant Program). Through these programs,

NTIA is overseeing an investment of approximately \$4 billion in projects throughout the United States to support the deployment of broadband infrastructure, enhance and expand public computer centers, encourage sustainable adoption of broadband service, and promote statewide broadband planning and data collection activities. The State Broadband Initiative is also responsible for creation and maintenance of the National Broadband Map.

Website: <https://www.ntia.doc.gov/home>

BROADBAND OPPORTUNITY COUNCIL

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) provided a total of \$7.2 billion to the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) and the Department of Agriculture's Rural Utilities Service (RUS) to fund projects that would expand access to and adoption of broadband services across the United States. NTIA utilized \$4.7 billion of that funding for grants to deploy broadband infrastructure in the U.S., expand public computer center capacity, and encourage sustainable adoption of broadband service.

President Obama on March 23, 2015 signed a Presidential Memorandum creating the Broadband Opportunity Council (Council) and appointing the Commerce and Agriculture Departments as co-chairs. The Broadband Opportunity Council includes 25 federal agencies and departments that will engage with industry and other stakeholders to understand ways the Executive Branch can better support the needs of communities seeking broadband investment. It will also help identify regulatory barriers unduly impeding broadband deployment, adoption or competition, and recommend steps to remove such barriers. Website: <https://www.ntia.doc.gov/category/broadband-opportunity-council>.

BROADBAND TECHNOLOGY OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM (AKA: BROADBANDUSA)

The Broadband Technology Opportunity Program (BTOP), also known as BroadbandUSA) is a broadband grant program administered by NTIA to provide assistance to communities that want to expand their broadband capacity and promote broadband adoption. BroadbandUSA brings stakeholders together to solve problems, contribute to emerging policies, link communities to other federal agencies and funding sources, and address barriers to collaboration across agencies.

- Technical Assistance: BroadbandUSA provides technical assistance to communities that want to improve their broadband capacity and use broadband more effectively.
- Publications: BroadbandUSA provides expert, impartial advice and field-proven tools for assessing broadband adoption, planning new infrastructure, and engaging a wide range of partners in broadband projects.
- Community Connectivity Initiative: BroadbandUSA is engaging community, corporate and civic leaders to develop and finalize a set of connectivity indicators, create a strategic online self-assessment, and expand resources that support and accelerate local broadband planning efforts.

Website: <http://www2.ntia.doc.gov/>

STATE BROADBAND INITIATIVE (SBI)

The State Broadband Initiative (SBI) is a broadband grant program administered by NTIA. This program implements the joint purposes of the Recovery Act and the Broadband Data Improvement Act, which envisioned a comprehensive program, led by state entities or non-profit organizations working at their direction, to facilitate the integration of broadband and information technology into state and local economies. Economic development, energy efficiency, and advances in education and health care rely not only on broadband infrastructure, but also on the knowledge and tools to leverage that infrastructure.

Website: <http://www2.ntia.doc.gov/SBDD>

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

PLANNING PROGRAM AND LOCAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Through its Planning and Local Technical Assistance programs, EDA assists eligible recipients in developing economic development plans and studies designed to build capacity and guide the economic prosperity and resiliency of an area or region. The Planning program helps support organizations, including District Organizations, Indian Tribes, and other eligible recipients, with Short Term and State Planning investments designed to guide the eventual creation and retention of high-quality jobs, particularly for the unemployed and underemployed in the Nation's most economically distressed regions. As part of this program, EDA supports Partnership Planning investments to facilitate the development, implementation, revision, or replacement of Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies (CEDS), which articulate and prioritize the strategic economic goals of recipients' respective regions. The Local Technical Assistance program strengthens the capacity of local or State organizations, institutions of higher education, and other eligible recipients to undertake and promote effective economic development programs through projects such as feasibility studies and impact analyses.

Website: <https://www.eda.gov/funding-opportunities/>

Award: up to \$300,000,000

Timeframe: Continuing basis

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PUBLIC WORKS AND ECONOMIC ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

EDA solicits applications from applicants in rural and urban areas to provide investments that support construction, non-construction, technical assistance, and revolving loan fund projects under EDA's Public Works and EAA programs. Grants and cooperative agreements made under these programs are designed to leverage existing regional assets and support the implementation of economic development strategies that advance new ideas and creative approaches to advance economic prosperity in distressed communities.

Website: <https://www.eda.gov/funding-opportunities/>

Award: up to \$300,000

Timeframe: Continuing basis

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Active Grant Opportunities: <http://www2.ed.gov/fund/grant/apply/grantapps/index.html>

Upcoming Funding Opportunities: <http://www2.ed.gov/fund/grant/find/edlite-forecast.html>

21ST CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER

This program supports the creation of community learning centers that provide academic enrichment opportunities during non-school hours for children, particularly students who attend high-poverty and low-performing schools. The program helps students meet state and local student standards in core academic subjects, such as reading and math; offers students a broad array of enrichment activities that can complement their regular academic programs; and offers literacy and other educational services to the families of participating children.

Formula grants are awarded to State educational agencies, which in turn manage statewide competitions and award grants to eligible entities. For this program, eligible entity means a local educational agency, community-based organization, another public or private entity, or a consortium of two or more of such agencies, organizations, or entities. States must give priority to applications that are jointly submitted by a local educational agency and a community-based organization or other public or private entity.

Website: <http://www2.ed.gov/programs/21stcclc/index.html>
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES – ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) is a division of the Department of Health & Human Services that aims to promote the economic and social well-being of children, families, individuals and communities with leadership and resources for compassionate, effective delivery of human services.

Announcements for funding opportunities can be found at: <https://ami.grantsolutions.gov/>

NATIONAL COLLABORATIVE ON CHILDHOOD OBESITY RESEARCH FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

The National Collaborative on Childhood Obesity Research (NCCOR) brings together four of the nation's leading research funders – the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF), and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) – to address the problem of childhood obesity in America. These leading national organizations: work in tandem to manage projects and reach common goals; coordinate funding to make the most of available resources; and share insights and expertise to strengthen research. NCCOR focuses on efforts that have the potential to benefit children, teens, and their families, and the communities in which they live.

NCCOR publishes the funding opportunities from the partners to fund a range of project types. Visit the following website for more information on the opportunities: <http://nccor.org/news/funding-opportunities/>

CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT FUND

The Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) made available \$5.2 billion to States, Territories, and Tribes in Fiscal Year (FY) 2012. CCDF is authorized by the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act and Section 418 of the Social Security Act. CCDF assists low-income families in obtaining child care so they can work or attend training/education. The program also improves the quality of child care, and promotes coordination among early childhood development and afterschool programs.

Initiatives of the CCDF include:

Strengthening Family Child Care, a special initiative to strengthen family child care (FCC). The purpose of this initiative is to promote pathways and progressions to build the supply and stability of high quality FCC providers.

Early Learning Initiative, which includes projects and grants that bring child care and early learning partners together at federal, state, and local levels for greater collaboration and more effective services throughout the country.

Let's Move! Child Care promotes children's health by encouraging and supporting physical activity and healthier nutrition practices in early care and education settings.

Emergency Preparedness, which addresses emergency preparation and response as it relates to the children in the event of a major disaster or emergency.

Website: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/resource/child-care-and-development-fund>

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HEAD START PROGRAM

The Office of Head Start (OHS) promotes the school readiness of young children from low-income families through local programs. Head Start and Early Head Start programs support the mental, social, and emotional development of children from birth to age 5.

Head Start grants are awarded directly to public or private non-profit organizations, including community-based and faith-based organizations, or for-profit agencies within a community that wish to compete for funds. The same categories of organizations are eligible to apply for Early Head Start, except that applicants need not be from the community they will be serving. Funding opportunities: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/ohs/funding>

Website: <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ohs/funding>

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COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT

The Office of Community Services (OCS) partners with states, communities and agencies to reduce the causes of poverty, increase opportunity and economic security of individuals and families and revitalize communities. The Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) provides funds to alleviate the causes and conditions of poverty in communities.

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COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Community Economic Development (CED) is a federal grant program funding Community Development Corporations that address the economic needs of low-income individuals and families through the creation of sustainable business development and employment opportunities.

CED awards funds to private, non-profit organizations that are community development corporations (CDCs), including faith-based organizations, and Tribal and Alaskan Native organizations. CDCs must be governed by a three-party board of directors that includes residents of the community served, and local business and civic leaders. CDCs must have as their principle purpose planning, developing or managing low-income housing or community development projects.

CED programs also provide technical and financial assistance for economic development activities.

Website: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/ocs/programs/ced>

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SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANTS

Social Services Block Grants (SSBG) enables each state or territory to meet the needs of its residents through locally relevant social services. SSBGs support programs that allow communities to achieve or maintain economic self-sufficiency to prevent, reduce or eliminate dependency on social services. Each state administers the program locally, determining which services to provide and who is eligible to receive these services.

Website: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/ocs/programs/ssbg>

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES – CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION, DIVISION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH

PARTNERSHIP TO IMPROVE COMMUNITY HEALTH (PICH)

PICH is a 3-year initiative that supports implementation of evidence-based strategies to improve the health of communities and reduce the prevalence of chronic disease. PICH builds on a body of knowledge developed through previously funded Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) programs and encourages collaborations with a multi-sectoral coalition to implement sustainable changes in communities where people live, learn, work, and play.

Website:

<http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dch/programs/partnershipstoimprovecommunityhealth/index.html>

PREVENTATIVE HEALTH AND HEALTH SERVICES BLOCK GRANT

The Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant provides all 50 states, the District of Columbia, 2 American Indian tribes, and 8 US territories with funding to address their unique public health needs in innovative and locally defined ways. This program gives grantees the flexibility to use funds to respond rapidly to emerging health issues and to fill funding gaps in programs that deal with leading causes of death and disability.

Website: <http://www.cdc.gov/phhsblockgrant/>

Amount:

Timeframe:

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES – SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (SAMHSA)

SAMHSA makes grant funds available through the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, and the Center for Mental Health Services. Funding opportunities are available in the form of non-competitive block grants and competitive block grants that support programs for substance use disorders and mental illness.

Website: <http://www.samhsa.gov/grants>

COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BLOCK GRANT (MHBG)

SAMHSA makes grant funds available through the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, and the Center for Mental Health Services. Funding opportunities are available in the form of non-competitive block grants and competitive block grants that support programs for substance use disorders and mental illness.

The Community Mental Health Services Block Grant (MHBG) is one of two block grants available from the SAMHSA. The MHBG program provides funds and technical assistance to all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and 6 Pacific jurisdictions. Grantees use the funds to provide comprehensive, community-based mental health services to adults with serious mental illnesses and to children with serious emotional disturbances and to monitor progress in implementing a comprehensive, community-based mental health system.

The MHBG program targets:

- Adults with serious mental illnesses. Includes persons age 18 and older who have a diagnosable behavioral, mental, or emotional condition—as defined by the Psychiatric Association’s Diagnostic and Statistical Manual (DSM) of Mental Disorders. Their condition substantially interferes with, or limits, one or more major life activities, such as: Basic daily living (for example, eating or dressing); Instrumental living (for example, taking prescribed medications or getting around the community); Participating in a family, school, or workplace.
- Children with serious emotional disturbances. Includes persons up to age 18 who have a diagnosable behavioral, mental, or emotional issue (as defined by the DSM). This condition results in a functional impairment that substantially interferes with, or limits, a child’s role or functioning in family, school, or community activities.

Website: <http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/block-grants/mhbg>

Timeline: FY2017 application period has closed

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DISCRETIONARY GRANTS

SAMHSA announces discretionary grant funding opportunities through Funding Opportunity Announcements (FOAs). These grant opportunities help implement specific programs of the SAMHSA. Each FOA contains all the information you need to apply for a grant.

Website: <http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/grant-announcements-2017>

Timeline: Varies

Amount: Varies

Contact:

General Grants Questions: SAMHSA's Division of Grants Management at 240-276-1400

Grant-specific Questions: Contact the person(s) listed under "Agency Contact" in the Request for Applications (RFA)

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

The activities of the Community Planning and Development Program build stronger and more resilient communities through an ongoing process of identifying and addressing needs, assets, and priority investments. Community development activities may support infrastructure, economic development projects, installation of public facilities, community centers, housing rehabilitation, public services, clearance/acquisition, microenterprise assistance, code enforcement, homeowner assistance and many other identified needs. Federal support for community development encourages systematic and sustained action by State, and local governments. The Office of Block Grant Assistance administers funds, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), allocated to State and local governments to address locally identified community development needs through the following programs (only showing those applicable in Texas):

CDBG Entitlement Program provides annual grants on a formula basis to entitled cities and counties to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons.

CDBG State Program allows States to award grants to smaller units of general local government that develop and preserve decent affordable housing, to provide services to the most vulnerable in our communities, and to create and retain jobs.

CDBG Program Colonias Set-Aside requires the border states of Arizona, California, New Mexico and Texas to set aside a percentage of their annual State CDBG allocations for use in the Colonia to help meet the needs of the Colonias residents in relationship to the need for potable water, adequate sewer systems, or decent, safe and sanitary housing.

Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program is the loan guarantee provision of the CDBG Program and provides communities with a source of financing for economic development, housing rehabilitation, public facilities, and large-scale physical development projects.

CDBG Disaster Recovery Program provides flexible grants to help cities, counties, and States recover from Presidentially-declared disasters, especially in low-income areas, subject to availability of supplemental appropriations.

The Neighborhood Stabilization Program provides grants to communities that have suffered from

foreclosures and abandonment to purchase and redevelop foreclosed and abandoned homes and residential properties.

- Brownfields Economic Development Initiative provides grants to assist cities with the redevelopment of abandoned, idled and underused industrial and commercial facilities where expansion and redevelopment is burdened by real or potential environmental contamination.

Each fiscal year (FY), HUD publishes a General Section that contains requirements for all of HUD's competitive grant programs. To be considered for funding, applications must meet all applicable requirements of the General Section and the requirements in the Program NOFA.

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail/nofa2017/gensec

To identify funding opportunities through HUD, visit the following website: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail

Award: varies

Timeframe: varies

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HOPE VI REVITALIZATION GRANTS

The specific elements of public housing transformation that have proven key to HOPE VI include: Changing the physical shape of public housing; establishing positive incentives for resident self-sufficiency and comprehensive services that empower residents; lessening concentrations of poverty by placing public housing in non-poverty neighborhoods and promoting mixed-income communities; and forging partnerships with other agencies, local governments, nonprofit organizations, and private businesses to leverage support and resources. Only public housing authorities are eligible to apply for these funds, but park and recreation agencies can contract to develop recreation facilities at public housing sites and to provide community and supportive service programs for residents, including those relocated as a result of revitalization efforts. For more information, go to: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/public_indian_housing/programs/ph/hope6

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR – FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

AQUATIC RESOURCE EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Aquatic Resource Education Program helps people understand, enjoy and conserve the aquatic natural resources of the nation. States have the option of using up to 15 percent of their annual Sport Fish Restoration apportionment for aquatic resource education programs and outreach and communications projects. The Sport Fish Restoration Program, created in 1950, provides funding for fish management, conservation, restoration, aquatic education, and boating access. The program is funded by a 10 percent Federal excise tax on fishing rods, reels, creels, lures, flies and artificial baits and a 3 percent tax on electronic fishing motors and sonar fish finders; duties on imported fishing tackle, pleasure boats and yachts; and a portion of the Federal fuel tax receipts from motorboats and small gasoline engines. The funds are apportioned annually to the states and territories by the Department of the Interior on the basis of formulas set forth in the Act. Apportionments are determined for each state by land area and number of fishing license owners. All funds are disseminated through State Fish and Wildlife Departments.

Website: <https://wsfrprograms.fws.gov/subpages/grantprograms/AquaticEd/AE.htm>

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BOATING ACCESS PROGRAM

The Boating Access (BA) Program provides grant funds to the states, the District of Columbia and insular areas fish and wildlife agencies for projects that provide access to America's waterways by developing new access facilities or renovation and/or improvement of existing facilities.

Today more than 16.8 million boats use U.S. waterways. A large percentage of these are operated by anglers and recreational boaters.

The Boating Access Program is part of the Sport Fish Restoration Program. Spending for the BA is authorized in the Sport Fish Restoration Act.

The Sport Fish Restoration Act mandates each state, the District of Columbia and insular area to allocate at least 15 percent of their annual Sport Fish Restoration apportionment to boating access projects. The allocation is averaged over a five year period for each U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service region.

The funds apportioned annually are derived from excise taxes on fishing equipment, motorboat and small engine fuels, import duties, and interest collected in the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund. These funds are apportioned to the states, the District of Columbia and insular areas based on a formula which includes land area, number of paid license holders, minimums and maximums.

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BOATING INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM

The Boating Infrastructure Grant Program (BIG) provides grant funds to the states, the District of Columbia and insular areas to construct, renovate, and maintain tie-up facilities with features for transient boaters in vessels 26 feet or more in length, and to produce and distribute information and educational materials about the program. The BIG Program includes two funding tiers, Tier One (non-competitive) and Tier Two (nationally competitive). Under Tier One each state, the D.C. and insular area may receive funding for eligible projects up to \$200,000 annually. Tier Two funds are made available through a nationally competitive process. Tier Two proposals received are reviewed, evaluated and ranked by a national panel with the final decision for funding made by the Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The ranking criteria, eligible projects and regulations are listed in 50 CFR 86.

Funds for the BIG Program are provided annually from the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund. The amount provided is 4% of the funds (split between the BIG and CVA programs) in the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund after deducting amounts for WSFR administration, the Multistate Conservation Grant Program, the Sport Fishing and Boating Partnership Council and fisheries commissions.

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CLEAN VESSEL ACT GRANT PROGRAM

The Clean Vessel Act Grant Program (CVA) provides grant funds to the states, the District of Columbia and insular areas for the construction, renovation, operation, and maintenance of pump-out stations and waste reception facilities for recreational boaters and also for educational programs that inform boaters of the importance of proper disposal of their sewage.

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COASTAL IMPACT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Coastal Impact Assistance Program (CIAP) provides federal grant funds derived from federal offshore lease revenues to oil producing states for conservation, protection, or restoration of coastal areas including wetlands; mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife, or natural resources; planning assistance and the administrative costs of complying with these objectives; implementation of a federally-approved marine, coastal, or comprehensive conservation management plan; and mitigation of the impact of outer Continental Shelf activities through funding of onshore infrastructure projects and public service needs.

Statewide CIAP plans that include proposed projects have been prepared by the affected states: Alabama, Alaska, California, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas. The federally approved CIAP plans have also been coordinated through a public review process.

Federal grant funds must be used to directly benefit an authorized use to conserve, restore, enhance, and protect renewable natural resources. Non-federal matching funds are not required for approved grant projects associated with this federal grant program.

Website: <https://wsfrprograms.fws.gov/subpages/GrantPrograms/CIAP/CIAP.htm>
State office: <http://www.glo.texas.gov/coast/grant-projects/ciap/index.html>
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HUNTER EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Hunter Education Program provides grant funds to the states and insular areas fish and wildlife agencies for projects to provide instruction in firearm operations and safety, wildlife management, nature conservation, ethics, game laws, outdoor survival and wilderness first aid. Funds may also be used for the development and operations of archery and shooting range facilities.

The goal is to teach students to be safe, responsible, conservation-minded hunters. Most States require completion of a hunter education course prior to purchasing a hunting license.

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LANDOWNER INCENTIVE PROGRAM (NON-TRIBAL PORTION) - OVERVIEW

The Landowner Incentive Program (LIP) provides federal grant funds to grant funds to the states, the District of Columbia and insular areas to protect and restore habitats on private lands, to benefit Federally listed, proposed or candidate species or other species determined to be at-risk.

Grant funds must be used to establish or supplement State landowner incentive programs to benefit species identified in the State's Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategy (State Wildlife Action Plan) or classified as Special Concern by the State, or Federally listed, proposed, or candidate species or other species determined to be at-risk. These grant funds may also be used to provide technical and financial assistance to private landowners for habitat protection and restoration. More info...

The LIP Program includes two funding tiers, Tier One (non-competitive) and Tier Two (nationally competitive). Under Tier One each state may receive funding for eligible projects up to \$200,000 annually and the District of Columbia and insular areas up to \$75,000 annually. If there is adequate funding in the appropriation, WSFR will rank Tier Two grants and award grants through a national competition. The competition will be announced separately.

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MULTISTATE CONSERVATION GRANT PROGRAM - OVERVIEW

The MSCGP provides funding for wildlife and sport fish restoration projects identified as priority projects by the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies (AFWA). These high priority projects address problems affecting states on a regional or national basis. Project types that are generally selected for funding are: biological research/training, species population status, outreach, data collection regarding hunter/angler participation, hunter/aquatic education, economic value of fishing/hunting, and regional or multistate habitat needs assessments.

The AFWA and the Division of Wildlife Sport Fish Restoration Program (WSFR) work together to manage the MSCGP. The AFWA administers the grant application process, providing oversight, coordination, and guidance for the MSCGP while the WSFR awards and manages the grants.

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NATIONAL COASTAL WETLANDS GRANT PROGRAM

The National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Grants Program is authorized by the Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to grant funds to coastal states to carry out coastal wetlands conservation projects. Participants in the program include state, county, and municipal governments as well as non-government partners.

Funds for the Coastal Wetlands Grant Program are provided annually from the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund. The Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection and Restoration Act (CWPPRA) receives 18.5 percent of the funds in the Trust Fund after deducting amounts for WSFR administration, the Multistate Conservation Grant Program, the Sport Fishing and Boating Partnership Council and fisheries commissions.

Website: <https://wsfrprograms.fws.gov/subpages/GrantPrograms/CW/CW.htm>

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SPORT FISH RESTORATION PROGRAM

The Act, approved by Congress on August 9, 1950, provides funding for fish management, conservation, and restoration. The program is funded by a 10 percent Federal excise tax on fishing rods, reels, creels, lures, flies and artificial baits and a 3 percent tax on electronic fishing motors and sonar fish finders. The funds are apportioned annually to the states and territories (except Puerto Rico) by the Department of the interior on the basis of formulas set forth in the Act. Apportionments are determined for each state by land area and number of fishing license owners. All funds are disseminated through State Fish and Wildlife Departments.

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STATE WILDLIFE GRANT PROGRAM

The State Wildlife Grant (SWG) Program provides Federal grant funds to State fish and wildlife agencies for developing and implementing programs that benefit wildlife and their habitats, including species that are not hunted or fished.

Grant funds may be used to address a variety of conservation needs--such as research, fish and wildlife surveys, species restoration, habitat management, and monitoring--that are identified within a State's Wildlife Action Plan. These funds may also be used to update, revise, or modify a State's Plan.

Congress appropriates funds for the State Wildlife Grant Program on an annual basis. Funds are apportioned to States, commonwealths, and U.S. territories based on a formula that considers each State's population and total geographical area.

Grant funds are disbursed to States for approved grants at a maximum federal share of 75% for planning grants and 65% for Plan implementation grants. Congress also allocates a portion of appropriated funds to a competitive SWG subprogram. State Wildlife Grant funds administered by the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program provide a unique source of funding, helping States to focus on targeted species in a proactive fashion, to help identify and reverse species population declines before restoration becomes more difficult and costly.

Website: <https://wsfrprograms.fws.gov/subpages/GrantPrograms/SWG/SWG.htm>

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WILDLIFE RESTORATION PROGRAM

Approved by Congress on September 2, 1937, the Act provides funding for the selection, restoration, rehabilitation and improvement of wildlife habitat, wildlife management research and the distribution of information produced by the projects. Congress amended the Act on October 23, 1970, to include funding for hunter training programs and the development, operation and maintenance of public target ranges. Funds are derived from an 11 percent Federal excise tax on handguns. Funds are also collected from a 12.4 percent tax on archery equipment. A certain amount of funds (section 4) must be used on hunter education before additional funds (section 10) can be attained. The section 10 funds can be used for additional hunter education programs or for wildlife restoration. These funds are apportioned each year to the states and territories (except Puerto Rico) by the Department of the Interior on the basis of formulas set forth in the Act. Apportionments are determined for each state by land area and number of hunting license owners.

Website: <https://wsfrprograms.fws.gov/subpages/GrantPrograms/WR/WR.htm>

Contact: <https://wsfrprograms.fws.gov/subpages/ContactUs/ContactUs.htm>

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR – NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

CHALLENGE COST SHARE PROGRAM

The Challenge Cost Share Program supports local projects that promote conservation and recreation, environmental stewardship, education, and engaging youth in the outdoors. Local project partners work with National Park Service (NPS) staff to achieve mutually beneficial outcomes. Applications are submitted by NPS staff in collaboration with project partners. This partnership challenge rewards those proposals that highlight long lasting benefits while developing new partnerships.

The program requires equal matching share. Cash, goods, or services from non-federal sources can be considered as a cost share. The maximum Challenge Cost Share project support is \$25,000. If selected our national partner, Outdoor Foundation, forms an agreement and provides project funds directly to the local partner. Applications are submitted by NPS staff in collaboration with project partners.

Website: <https://www.nps.gov/ncrc/programs/ccsp/>

Award: up to \$25,000 (FY2017)

Timeframe: July 1, 2016 (FY2017)

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FEDERAL LANDS TO PARKS

The Federal Lands-to-Parks (FLP) enables states and local governments to establish park and recreation areas and adapt historic buildings for public uses. Through FLP, state and local agencies may acquire land and facilities once used for federal purposes at no cost to meet park and recreation needs.

Amount: N/A. Program based on existing inventory of federal lands and transferring it to state or local governments for park and recreation use.

Annual Timeframe: As land becomes available, 25 days from the “notice of availability”

Information about the program is available at: <https://www.nps.gov/ncrc/programs/flp/index.htm>

Contacts: https://www.nps.gov/ncrc/programs/flp/flp_contact.html

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LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND

The Land and Water Conservation Fund was enacted in 1964 (Public Law 88-578) to “create and maintain a nationwide legacy of high quality recreation areas and facilities.” LWCF provides funding for: (1) land acquisition for federal land managing agencies; and (2) matching grants to state and local governments for planning (states only), acquisition and development of park and recreation areas and resource based facilities. Specifics for federal land acquisition projects are determined each fiscal year by Congress and the Administration. Of the amounts appropriated in any given fiscal year for each State and Territory is determined based on a formula set in the LWCF Act, and is subsequently approved by the Secretary of the Interior. The grantee assumes all operation and maintenance costs in perpetuity. In Texas, the LWCF allocation funds a number of grant programs available to local communities, including

Amount: In 2016, Texas was allocated a total of \$5,415,887. All state and local grants require at least a 50 percent match by the non-federal partner.

Annual Timeframe: Varies depending on state grant program.

Information about the program is available at: <https://www.nps.gov/subjects/lwcf/stateside.htm>

Contacts: <https://www.nps.gov/subjects/lwcf/contact-list.htm>

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State Parks

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

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<http://tpwd.texas.gov/business/grants/recreation-grants/>

Midwest Region:

National Park Service

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402-661-1540

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE - OFFICE OF JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION

OJJDP provides national leadership, coordination, and resources to prevent and respond to juvenile delinquency and victimization. OJJDP supports states and communities in their efforts to develop and implement effective and coordinated prevention and intervention programs and to improve the juvenile justice system so that it protects public safety, holds justice-involved youth appropriately accountable, and provides treatment and rehabilitative services tailored to the needs of juveniles and their families.

The purpose of the Delinquency Prevention Program (formerly Title V) is to prevent youth at risk of becoming delinquent from entering the juvenile justice system and to intervene with first-time and non-serious offenders to keep them from further contact with the juvenile justice system. The goal is to reduce the likelihood that youth will become serious and violent offenders as adults, reducing the burden of crime on society and saving taxpayers billions of dollars.

The program includes the:

- Youth Tribal Program
- Gang Prevention Program
- Community-Based Violence Prevention Program
- National Forum on Youth Violence Program

The OJJDP will offer funding opportunities to states, territories, localities, and private organizations, including faith-based institutions to implement the departments programs through formula and block grants and discretionary grants.

To search for upcoming funding opportunities visit: <https://www.ojjdp.gov/funding/FundingList.asp>

FORMULA AND BLOCK GRANTS

The Formula Grants Program supports state and local delinquency prevention and intervention efforts and juvenile justice system improvements. Through this program, OJJDP provides funds directly to states, territories, and the District of Columbia to help them implement comprehensive state juvenile justice plans based on detailed studies of needs in their jurisdictions. The Formula Grants Program is authorized under the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (JJDP) Act of 2002 (42 U.S.C. 5601 et seq.).

In FY 2016, OJJDP awarded \$40 million in formula and block grants. The Juvenile Justice Specialists in each state administers the funding through sub-grants to units of local government, local private agencies, and American Indian/Alaska Native jurisdictions for programs in accordance with legislative requirements.

Website: <https://www.ojjdp.gov/funding/funding.html>

Timeline: No funding opportunities listed at this time.

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DISCRETIONARY GRANTS

OJJDP awards discretionary grants to states, units of local government, and private organizations to administer the several programs the OJJDP has for juvenile justice and delinquency prevention. During FY 2016, OJJDP awarded \$242,905,063 in 268 discretionary grants.

Website: <https://www.ojjdp.gov/funding/funding.html>

Timeline: No funding opportunities listed at this time.

Contact: <https://www.ojjdp.gov/about/StaffList.asp>

Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention
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Washington, DC 20531
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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

The U.S. Department of Labor provides both discretionary and non-discretionary/formula-based grants that implement programs of its agencies and divisions. Awarding and administering grants are done by either the department or by the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management

The divisions and agencies of the Department of Labor that offer grant programs include:

- Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS): provides project grants (cooperative agreements) and the dissemination of technical statistical data and related information on labor force activities; provides data on prices (CPI) and cost of living; data on productivity and technology data; data on compensation and working conditions; data on employment projections.
- Employment and Training (ETA): ETA administers financial assistance programs pursuant to the Workforce Investment Act (WIA), administering State formula grant programs for youth, adults and dislocated workers, national emergency grants for workers affected by mass layoffs, plant closures, and disasters; grant programs for workers with disabilities, Indians and Native Americans, and for migrant and seasonal farmworkers. ETA also administers grant programs for older American workers, apprenticeship programs, Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) programs, and assistance for research and development of workforce programs. In addition, ETA is responsible for the operation and maintenance of a national system of public employment service offices and for the national unemployment insurance program.
- Mine Safety and Health (MSHA): provides grants for research, education and training programs to ensure an adequate and competent staff of trained inspectors; and assistance for establishing or improving State mine health and safety programs through technical assistance.
- Occupational Safety and Health (OSHA): provides grants to non-profit organizations to provide training, educational services, and technical assistance; assistance to states to administer and enforce state programs; assistance to states to provide occupational safety and health technical assistance and consultant services.
- Office of Disability Employment Policy (ODEP): The Office of Disability Employment Policy awards competitive grants establishing short-term pilot and technical assistance projects designed to identify, develop, test, evaluate, and disseminate policies to increase employment by expanding access to training, education, employment supports, assistive and systems technology, integrated employment, entrepreneurial development, and small business opportunities for adults and youth with disabilities. Current pilot projects focus on customized employment, Olmstead populations, and innovative demonstration youth grants, among others. Solicitations for grant applications are published in the Federal Register and announced at www.dol.gov/odep. ODEP grants are awarded by the OASAM grant office.
- Veterans' Employment and Training (VETS): administers programs that address the employment, training, and job security needs of Americans who have served in uniform. VETS awards the Jobs for Veterans State Grants (JVSG) as a formula grant, to each state, the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. VETS also awards competitive grants to provide services to assist in reintegrating homeless veterans into meaningful employment with in the labor force and to stimulate the development of effective service delivery systems that will address the complex problems facing homeless veterans. VETS grants are awarded by the Employment and Training Administration Office of Grants Management.

Website about grant and contract opportunities with DOL: <https://www.grants.gov/>

Contact: Awarding and administering grants are done by either the department or by the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management

Regional Offices (Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management): <https://www.dol.gov/oasam/regional/about-regional.htm>

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

TIGER DISCRETIONARY GRANTS

The Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery, or TIGER Discretionary Grant program, provides a unique opportunity for the DOT to invest in road, rail, transit and port projects that promise to achieve national objectives. Since 2009, Congress has dedicated nearly \$4.6 billion for seven rounds of TIGER to fund projects that have a significant impact on the Nation, a region or a metropolitan area. The eligibility requirements of TIGER allow project sponsors at the State and local levels to obtain funding for multi-modal, multi-jurisdictional projects that are more difficult to support through traditional DOT programs.

Website: <https://www.transportation.gov/tiger>

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

The Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) was signed into law in December 2015, authorizing \$305 billion over fiscal years 2016 through 2020 for highway, highway and motor vehicle safety, public transportation, motor carrier safety, hazardous materials safety, rail, and research, technology, and statistics programs. Funds are apportioned to states to administer programs or further allocate funds.

ACCELERATED INNOVATION DEPLOYMENT (AID) DEMONSTRATION GRANT

The AID Demonstration program is one initiative under the multi-faceted Technology and Innovation Deployment Program (TIDP) approach providing funding and other resources to offset the risk of trying an innovation. The AID Demonstration program provides funding as an incentive for eligible entities to accelerate the implementation and adoption of innovation in highway transportation. The FAST Act authorized funding for the continuation of these programs and opportunities. Entities eligible to apply (Applicants) are State DOTs, Federal Land Management Agencies, and tribal governments. Metropolitan planning organizations and local governments may apply through the State DOT as a sub recipient.

Website: <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/innovation/grants>

Amount: \$50,000 to \$1 million; Estimated Total Program Funding: \$50 million

Timeframe: Sep 30, 2020; Applications are being accepted on a rolling basis.

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CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The purpose of the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality improvement program (CMAQ) is to realign the focus of transportation planning toward a more inclusive, environmentally sensitive, and multi-modal approach. The CMAQ program provides funding for programs and projects in air quality non-attainment and maintenance for ozone, carbon monoxide (CO), and small particulate matter (PM-10), which reduces transportation related emissions. Grants are provided through a reimbursement process that varies state by state. Funds may be used for either the construction of bicycle transportation facilities and pedestrian walkways, or non-construction projects (such as maps, brochures, and public service announcements) related to safe bicycle use. In general, however, a sponsor would submit expenses to the state department of transportation, which would then reimburse at 80 percent of the project cost. The CMAQ Program was reauthorized for 2016 through 2020 through the FAST Act.

Amount: FAST Act provides for \$2.3 M to \$2.5 M in CMAQ funding each year from 2016 through 2020. It is estimated the State of Texas will receive an average of \$853 million in CMAQ funds annually.

Applications and information about CMAQ grants are available at: http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/air_quality/cmaq/

RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM

The Recreational Trails Program, was reauthorized by the FAST Act, provides funds to develop and maintain recreational trails for motorized and non-motorized recreational trail users. Eligible project categories as defined in the act are: maintenance and restoration of existing recreational trails; development and rehabilitation of trailside and trailhead facilities and trail linkages; purchase and lease of recreational trail construction and maintenance equipment; construction of new recreational trails (with restrictions on new trails on Federal land); acquisition of easements or property for recreational trails or recreational trail corridors; state administrative costs related to program administration (up to 7 percent of a state's funds); and operation of educational programs to promote safety and environmental protection as these objectives relate to the use of recreational trails (up to 5 percent of a state's funds). Each state has its own procedures and timelines to solicit, select, and fund Recreational Trails projects.

In Texas, the Recreational Trails program is administered by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

Amount: \$200,000 Requires 80/20 match

Timeframe: Annual Deadline – February 1st

Program website: http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/recreational_trails/

<http://www.americantrails.org/ee/index.php/nationalrecreationtrails>

State website: <https://tpwd.texas.gov/business/grants/recreation-grants/recreational-trails-grants>

Contact: For more information about project funding contact your State Trail Administrator. For a list of administrators go to: http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/recreational_trails/rtpstate.cfm

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SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

The Safe Routes to Schools (SRTS) Program is a Federal-Aid program of the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). The Program was created by Section 1404 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users Act (SAFETEA-LU). The SRTS Program was funded at \$1.162 billion for Federal fiscal years (FY) 2005-2012 and is administered by State Departments of Transportation (DOTs).

The SRTS Program received dedicated funding through 2012. The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) authorized the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), which replaced the funding from pre-MAP-21 programs including the Transportation Enhancement Activities, Recreational Trails Program, and Safe Routes to School Program (SRTS). MAP-21 did not provide specific funding for SRTS, but SRTS projects are eligible for TAP funds and for Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds. Under Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act), the TAP program was rolled into the Surface Transportation Program.

Safe Routes to School initiatives may be eligible under the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program or Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside.

Website: http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/safe_routes_to_school/

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

The FAST Act converted the Surface Transportation Program to a block grant program that folds in the Transportation Alternative Program. The program provides funding to states and localities for projects to preserve and improve the conditions and performance on any Federal-aid highway, bridge and tunnel projects on any public road, pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure, and transit capital projects, including intercity bus terminals.

Amount: The FAST Act provides for an estimated average of \$4.796 million allocated to Texas for the STBG Program funding each year from 2016 through 2020

Timeframe:

Website: <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/fastact/factsheets/stbgfs.cfm>

Contact: <https://www.transportation.gov/fastact/>

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Phone: 202-366-4540

Texas Office:
Administered by TXDOT
Online form:
<http://www.txdot.gov/contact-us/form.html>

TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES, STBG SET-ASIDE

The FAST Act amended the Surface Transportation Program to include a set aside for the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program, which is replacing the MAP-21 Transportation Alternative Program. Similar to its predecessors, the Transportation Alternative Program and Transportation Enhancement Activities, the STBG Program, or TA Set-Aside, authorizes funding for The TA Set-Aside authorizes funding for programs and projects defined as transportation alternatives, including on- and off-road pedestrian and bicycle facilities, infrastructure projects for improving non-driver access to public transportation and enhanced mobility, community improvement activities such as historic preservation and vegetation management, and environmental mitigation related to storm water and habitat connectivity; recreational trail projects; safe routes to school projects; and projects for planning, designing, or constructing boulevards and other roadways largely in the right-of-way of former divided highways.

Amount: In Texas, The FAST Act provides for an estimated average of \$386 million set-aside from the STBG Program funding each year from 2016 through 2020

Timeframe:

Website: <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/fastact/factsheets/transportationalternativesfs.cfm>

Contact: <https://www.transportation.gov/fastact/>

<https://www.transportation.gov/buildamerica/infragrants>

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – COAST GUARD

RECREATIONAL BOATING SAFETY

The RBS grant program provides funding to assist states with program administration, law enforcement and search and rescue capability, boater education, vessel numbering and titling systems, aids to navigation, and public boating access sites. Allowable uses of the RBS Program funds include a wide spectrum of activities that fall into six broad categories – program administration, law enforcement and search and rescue capability, boater education, vessel numbering and titling systems, aids to navigation, and public boating access sites. States with approved boating safety programs that meet the participation requirements are eligible.

Amount: In 2016, Texas received approximately \$3.8 million in state grant funding

Timeframe:

Information about the program is available at: <http://www.uscgboating.org/grants/index.php>

Contact: <http://www.uscgboating.org/php-contact-form/contactC.php>
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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Every year, EPA awards over \$4 billion in funding for grants and other assistance agreements. From small non-profit organizations to large state governments, EPA works to help many visionary organizations achieve their environmental goals. With countless success stories over the years, EPA grants remain a chief tool in the advancement of human health and the environment.

<https://www.epa.gov/grants/specific-epa-grant-programs>

AIR GRANTS & FUNDING

EPA's Office of Air and Radiation (OAR) announces competitive funding announcements for projects and programs relating to air quality, transportation, climate change, indoor air and other related topics.

Website: <https://www.epa.gov/grants/air-grants-and-funding>

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BROWNFIELDS ASSESSMENT GRANTS

Brownfields Program provides funds to empower states, communities, tribes, and nonprofits to prevent, inventory, assess, clean up, and reuse brownfield sites. Under Brownfields Assessment Grants, EPA is seeking proposals for Assessment Grants only, to provide funds to inventory, characterize, assess, and conduct planning (including cleanup planning) and community involvement related to brownfield sites.

Website: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=brownfields>

Award: varies \$200,000 to \$600,000, cost sharing not required, but encouraged

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BROWNFIELDS CLEANUP GRANTS

EPA's Brownfields Program provides funds to empower states, communities, tribes, and nonprofits to prevent, inventory, assess, clean up, and reuse brownfield sites. Under the Brownfields Cleanup Grants, EPA is seeking proposals for Cleanup Grants only to provide funds to carry out cleanup activities at a specific brownfield site owned by the applicant.

Website: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=brownfields>

Award: varies \$200,000; 20% cost share required.

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ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION GRANTS PROGRAM

The EPA Environmental grant program supports environmental education projects that enhance the public's awareness, knowledge, and skills to make informed and responsible decisions that affect environmental quality. The program provides financial support for projects that design, demonstrate, or disseminate environmental education practices, methods, or techniques. Each year, EPA's Office of Environmental Education releases a solicitation notice in the Federal Register that provides instructions for obtaining a grant. Educational agencies at the state, local and tribal level, state environmental agencies, college and universities, not-for-profit organizations, and noncommercial educational broadcasting entities are eligible to apply. Individuals are not eligible to apply. Although government agencies cannot apply directly, they are encouraged to work with other entities on developing and implementing environmental education programs.

Website: <https://www.epa.gov/education/environmental-education-ee-grants>

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ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE GRANTS

With these grants, the EPA aims to provide financial assistance to grassroots community-based groups to support projects to design, demonstrate or disseminate practices, methods or techniques related to environmental justice. Specifically, EPA will grant funding assistance to be used for: environmental justice education and awareness programs; environmental Justice Programs (for example, river monitoring and pollution prevention programs); technical assistance in gathering and interpreting existing environmental justice data; and technical assistance to access available public information. Community-based grassroots organizations, other incorporated nonprofit organizations and federally recognized Tribal Governments are eligible. Applications are usually due at the beginning of March each year. Awardees are notified in August of each year.

Website: <https://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/environmental-justice-grants-and-resources>

Award: Variable

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STATE FUNDING SOURCES

TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE

BOAT SEWAGE PUMPOUT GRANTS

Federal funds through the Clean Vessel Act of 1992 allow private marinas and local governments to receive grants to install boat sewage pumpout stations in Texas. Pumpout Grants can constitute up to 75% of all approved project costs. These grants provide funds for the construction and/or renovation, operation and maintenance of pumpout and portable toilet dump stations.

Website: <http://tpwd.texas.gov/business/grants/recreation-grants/boat-sewage-pumpout>

Award: Competitive

Timeframe: Continuous

Contact:

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BOATING ACCESS GRANT

The Boating Access Grant Program provides 75% matching fund grant assistance to construct new, or renovate existing, public boat ramps that provide public access to public waters for recreational boating. The State Boating Access Program receives funding from the Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration Act. Funds for the federal program are derived from the federal gasoline tax generated by sales of gasoline for recreational motorboats and a federal excise tax on the sales of fishing tackle and trolling motors. Fifteen percent of the state's annual apportionment from this federal program must be used to provide public recreational boating access.

Website: <http://tpwd.texas.gov/business/grants/recreation-grants/boating-access>

Award: \$500,000

Timeframe: Annually - October 1st

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COMMUNITY OUTDOOR OUTREACH PROGRAM (CO-OP) GRANT

The Community Outdoor Outreach Program (CO-OP) grant provides funding to local governments and non-profit organizations for programming that introduces under-served populations to environmental and conservation programs as well as TPWD mission oriented outdoor activities.

Grants are available to tax-exempt organizations and local governments introducing non-traditional constituents to TPWD related outdoor recreation, conservation, and environmental education programs. The success of this program lies in the partnerships created between TPWD and grass-roots organizations who have already established a relationship with these identified targeted audiences; females, physically/mentally challenged, ethnic minorities, low income and youth.

CO-OP provides grants to tax-exempt organizations ranging from \$5,000 to \$50,000. This is a reimbursement grant program. Recipients must purchase eligible items and submit proper documentation before being reimbursed. Eligible organizations can apply to use these funds for programming expenses such as equipment, leasing transportation, staff, liability insurance, food, program materials, etc.

Website: <http://tpwd.texas.gov/business/grants/recreation-grants/community-outdoor-outreach-program-co-op-grants>

Award: \$50,000

Timeframe: Annually – February 1st

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LOCAL PARKS GRANT

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.

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. Once funded, all grant assisted sites must be dedicated as parkland in perpetuity, properly maintained and open to the public.

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.

Website: <http://tpwd.texas.gov/business/grants/recreation-grants/about-local-parks-grants>

Award: varies

Timeframe: Annually – October 1st

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RECREATIONAL TRAILS GRANT

TPWD administers the National Recreational Trails Fund in Texas under the approval of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). This federally funded program receives its funding from a portion of federal gas taxes paid on fuel used in non-highway recreational vehicles. The grants can be up to 80% of project cost with a maximum of \$200,000 for non-motorized trail grants and currently there is not a maximum amount for motorized trail grants (call 512-538-4427 for motorized trail grant funding availability). Funds can be spent on both motorized and non-motorized recreational trail projects such as the construction of new recreational trails, to improve existing trails, to develop trailheads or trailside facilities, and to acquire trail corridors.

Website: <http://tpwd.texas.gov/business/grants/recreation-grants/recreational-trails-grants>

Award: \$200,000

Timeframe: Annually - February 1st

Contact:

Trey Cooksey, Program Manager

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OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANTS

Types:

- Urban: 500,000 or more people
- Non-urban: 500,000 or less people
- Small community: 20,000 or less people

* based on 2010 census

How many funding cycles each year?

- 1

Maximum award amount?

- Urban: \$1,000,000
- Non-urban: \$500,000
- Small community: \$75,000

Application deadline?

- Oct 1st
- March - approval by board
- April - site visits by TPWD

Deadline for project completion?

- 2.5 - 3 years from contract date with a 1-year possible extension

Contact:

Dana Lagarde, Program Manager

Phone (512) 389-8175

Email: dana.lagarde@tpwd.texas.gov

INDOOR RECREATION GRANTS

How many funding cycles each year?

1

Maximum award amount?

Urban: \$1,000,000

Non-urban: \$750,000

Application deadline?

Oct 1st

Deadline for project completion?

2.5 - 3 years from contract date with a 1-year possible extension

Contact:

Dana Lagarde, Program Manager

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TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

The purpose of the Federal Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Program is to address these issues head on. At its heart, the SRTS Program empowers communities to make walking and bicycling to school a safe and routine activity once again. The Program makes funding available for a wide variety of programs and projects, from building safer street crossings to establishing programs that encourage children and their parents to walk and bicycle safely to school.

Since 2012, the Safe Routes to School Program funding has been combined with other bicycle and pedestrian programs through (what is currently called) the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program and Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside.

More Information: https://ftp.dot.state.tx.us/pub/txdot-info/library/pubs/cit/srts_app_instructions.pdf

Contact:

Teri Kaplan, Texas Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator

Texas Department of Transportation

125 E. 11 Street

Austin, TX 78701-2483

Phone Number: 512-374-5235

Fax Number: 512-374-5244

Email: Teri.Kaplan@txdot.gov

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND NUTRITION DIVISION

SPECIAL NUTRITION PROGRAMS

The Texas Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Division administers 12 federal child and special nutrition programs for the State of Texas. TDA supports providers of nutrition assistance by helping ensure accountability and the efficient use of taxpayer dollars to nourish Texans in need. These nutrition programs exemplify "eating right" for Texans of every age and background and help them build a bridge to success. Everyone plays a role in teaching children the 3E's of Healthy Living - Education, Exercise and Eating Right.

Financial grants from organizations may help advance nutrition efforts in our schools and communities. On this page you will find descriptions of specific grants with upcoming deadlines, as well as a list of organizations that make grants on an ongoing basis to support local nutrition, fitness, health, education, and community initiatives.

Program Website: <http://www.squaremeals.org/Programs.aspx>

Grant opportunities: <http://www.squaremeals.org/FandNResources/FundingGrants.aspx>

Contact:

Texas Department of Agriculture

Mail: P.O. Box 12847

Austin, Texas 78711-2847

Physical: 1700 North Congress Avenue, 10th Floor

Austin, Texas 78701

Phone: (877) TEX MEAL (839-6325)

Fax #: (888) 203-6593

Email: squaremeals@texasagriculture.gov

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE

CONSERVATION INNOVATION GRANTS (CIG)

Conservation Innovation Grants (CIG) are competitive grants that stimulate the development and adoption of innovative approaches and technologies for conservation on agricultural lands. CIG uses Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) funds to award competitive grants to non-Federal governmental or nongovernmental organizations, American Indian Tribes, or individuals. Producers involved in CIG funded projects must be EQIP eligible.

Through CIG, NRCS partners with public and private entities to accelerate technology transfer and adopt promising technologies. These new technologies and approaches address some of the Nation's most pressing natural resources concerns. CIG benefits agricultural producers by providing more options for environmental enhancement and compliance with Federal, State, and local regulations.

States can also award project that benefit a limited geographical area. Participating states will announce their funding availability for CIG competitions through their state NRCS offices.

Website: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/tx/programs/financial/cig/>

Amount: Total program funding averages \$20 million per year.

Contact:

National Office:

Program Contact:

nrcscig@wdc.usda.gov

(202) 720-1895

Melleny Cotton, CIG Program Analyst (202) 720-7412

Melleny.cotton@wdc.usda.gov

Texas Office:

TEXAS STATE OFFICE

101 S MAIN ST

TEMPLE, TX 76501-7602

(254) 742-9800
(254) 742-9819 Fax
<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/site/tx/home/>

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Troy Daniell, Financial Program Manager

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Troy.daniell@tx.usda.gov

Local Natural Resources Conservation Service Office Locations: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/contact/local/>

CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

The Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) offers assistance to land owners who are already implementing conservation practices to enhance those practices. For example, if you have been practicing prescribed grazing, CSP would give you options to enhance that practice with activities such as grazing management to improve plants for wildlife, or grazing management to reduce soil compaction, or grazing management to improve riparian function, just to name a few.

With enrollment in CSP, the local NRCS conservation planner will have a one-on-one consultation with the property owner(s) to evaluate your current management system and the natural resources on your land. The NRCS conservation planner will present a variety of CSP enhancement alternatives for implementation on the land, based on existing conservation practices. CSP offers annual incentive payments for installing these enhancement practices.

Website: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/tx/programs/financial/csp/>

Award: varies based on implementation of conservation practices

Timeframe: Applications are accepted throughout the year. Specific deadlines are set for ranking and funding opportunities. The next application deadline for funding consideration is February 3, 2017.

Contact:

Texas Office:

TEXAS STATE OFFICE

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EMERGENCY WATERSHED PROTECTION PROGRAM

The Emergency Watershed Protection Program (EWPP) is designed to help people and conserve natural resources by relieving imminent hazards to life and property caused by floods, fires, windstorms, and other natural occurrences. EWP is an emergency recovery program. All projects undertaken, with the exception of the purchase of floodplain easements, must have a project sponsor.

NRCS may bear up to 75 percent of the construction cost of emergency measures. The remaining 25 percent must come from local sources and can be in the form of cash or in-kind services. Funding is subject to Congressional approval.

City and county governments, flood and water control districts, and soil and water conservation districts are the most common sponsors of EWP projects. Activities include providing financial and technical assistance to:

- remove debris from stream channels, road culverts, and bridges,
- reshape and protect eroded banks,
- correct damaged drainage facilities,
- establish cover on critically eroding lands,
- repair levees and structures, and
- repair conservation practices.

NRCS may purchase EWP easements “in lieu of recovery” on any floodplain lands that have been impaired within the last 12 months or that have a history of repeated flooding (i.e., flooded at least two times during the past 10 years). If it is more cost effective, EWP-Floodplain Easement (FPE) can be used as an alternative to EWP. See the comparison of EWP and EWP-FPE.

Website: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/tx/programs/financial/ewp/>

Award: state-administered. Texas received over \$21 million in FY2016 to restore conditions from heavy rains and flooding in 2015.

Timeframe:

Contact: National Emergency Watershed Protection Program Manager, 202-690-0793

In Texas: Claude Ross, State Easement Program Manager, claudio.ross@tx.usda.gov, 254-742-9822

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVE PROGRAM (EQIP)

EQIP provides financial and technical assistance to agricultural producers in order to address natural resource concerns and deliver environmental benefits such as improved water and air quality, conserved ground and surface water, reduced soil erosion and sedimentation or improved or created wildlife habitat.

Eligible program participants receive financial and technical assistance to implement conservation practices, or activities like conservation planning, that address natural resource concerns on their land. Payments are made to participants after conservation practices and activities identified in an EQIP plan of operations are implemented. Contracts can last up to ten years.

Website: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/tx/programs/financial/eqip/>

Contact:

Texas Office:

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PRIVATE FUNDING SOURCES

[Aegon Transamerica Foundation](#)

Aegon Transamerica Foundation grant dollars go to non-profit organizations in the following categories:

Arts & Culture: Programs that foster creativity in the areas of music and the performing arts, including venues for artistic expression.

Civic & Community: Programs that strive to promote community development, encourage civic leadership, and enhance work and business opportunities.

Education & Literacy: Programs with a mission to provide knowledge and to expand individuals' capabilities, especially in the areas of financial literacy.

Health & Welfare: Programs committed to improving the condition of the human body through nutrition, housing for the homeless, disease prevention and more.

United Way: In addition to leading an annual campaign, employees' contributions are matched by at least 50%.

Grant requests are considered if they relate to the Aegon Transamerica Foundation's key focus areas and mission, and are designated for a community where there is a significant company and employee presence. In Texas, Transamerica is located in Plano, Texas.

Website: <https://www.transamerica.com/individual/about-us/who-we-are/aegon-transamerica-foundation/>

Award: varies

Timeframe: Applications for Foundation grants are reviewed upon receipt by local committee representatives. The timing of responses will vary by location.

Contact:

Gregory Tucker, greg.tucker@transamerica.com
Margaret Sherry, margaret.sherry@transamerica.com
Plano, TX Office
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Plano, TX 75075
(972) 881-6000

Aetna Foundation, GoLocal: Cultivating Healthier Communities Program

The Aetna Foundation is dedicated to improving health in local communities and large populations alike. How do we make it happen? Through community-based programs, dynamic partnerships and proven models that can help people accelerate progress everywhere. Through its GoLocal: Cultivating Healthier Communities program, Aetna Foundation supports local non-profit groups that advance healthy eating and active living in their communities.

Website: <https://www.aetna-foundation.org/grants-partnerships/grants.html>

Timeframe: Information for the 2018 cycle is not available.

Allen Foundation

Grants are limited under the terms of the foundation's charter to projects that primarily benefit programs for human nutrition in the areas of health, education, training, and research. Preferences are given to proposals that train children and young adults to improve their health and development so they can form good nutritional habits at an early age. Proposals will need to contain a nutritional focus.

Website: <https://www.allenfoundation.org/commoninfo/aboutus.asp>

Award: varies

Timeframe: Rolling. Deadline is December 31st. Applications received after this date will be considered for the following year.

Allstate Foundation

The Allstate Foundation supports organizations dedicated to addressing two issues: Domestic Violence and Youth Empowerment. Applications for grants are by invitation only.

Website: https://www.allstatefoundation.org/foundation_overview.html

Contact: grants@allstate.com

Bank of America Foundation

Bank of America Foundation helps improve communities by addressing issues fundamental to economic health and sustainability. We address needs related to workforce development and education, community development, and basic needs.

Website: <http://about.bankofamerica.com/en-us/global-impact/charitable-foundation-funding.html>

Amount: Varies

Timeframe: The Foundation issues RFPs at various points throughout the year: Check funding opportunities on website

Contact: Foundation@bankofamerica.com

Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Grand Challenges

The Grand Challenges family of initiatives fosters innovation to solve key health and development problems. See below for Grand Challenges grant opportunities with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation as sole or contributing funder. Grant opportunities have defined issues or activities to address.

Website: <http://gcgh.grandchallenges.org/about>

Opportunities: <http://gcgh.grandchallenges.org/challenges>

Contact: grandchallenges@gatesfoundation.org

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas Healthy Kids, Healthy Families initiative

Healthy Kids, Healthy Families (HKHF) began in 2011 as a three-year initiative designed to improve the health and wellness of at least one million children through community investments. We extended the program, making HKHF part of our ongoing commitment to the health and well-being of the children and families across Texas. To date, we've helped nearly three million children.

The Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas Healthy Kids, Healthy Families initiative invests and partners with nonprofit organizations that offer sustainable, measurable programs. The programs must address health and wellness in the following areas:

- Nutrition
- Physical activity
- Disease prevention and management
- Supporting safe environments

In addition to aligning with one or more of our four areas of focus, the following criteria are required for review of all grant proposals:

- The organization must hold a 501(c)(3) tax status
- The grant must primarily target individuals in Texas
- The program must be measurable and demonstrate how the goals will be met as defined in the grant proposal

Website: <http://www.bcbstx.com/company-info/community-involvement/healthy-kids-healthy-families>
Award: up to \$250,000
Timeframe: FY 2019 updates begin early 2018
Contact: healthykidshealthyfamilies@hcsc.net

BNSF Railway Foundation

The Foundation is dedicated to supporting the communities they serve and in which their employees live, work, and volunteer. Generally, the foundation will consider grant requests that clearly fall within one or more of the following categories:

Civic services including organizations which are concerned with the environment, as well as local community issues such as crime prevention, parks and recreation, diversity and community development.

Cultural organizations that include performing, visual, and fine arts, museums and other related activities that offer opportunities for underserved children to experience cultural learning events, or preserve their cultural heritage.

Educational institutions, both public and private, primarily at the college level. Grants of an exceptional nature may be made to vocational and non-college schools. Preferably, contributions will be directed toward the improvement of the quality of education. Ordinarily, grants will not be made to finance the expansion of a student body or the payment of scholarships. (BNSF's scholarship programs, as well as the Employee Matching Gift Program, are governed by separate policies.)

Health and Human Service organizations such as YMCA/YWCA, programs that address chemical dependency treatment and prevention, spouse and child abuse, women's and children's aid and transitional shelters. This category also includes hospitals and medical programs.

- Youth organizations such as Boys & Girls Clubs, Camp Fire, Scouts, Junior Achievement and similar groups.
- Federated organizations such as United Way and American Red Cross.
- A federally recognized tribal government, listed in the Federal Register by the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Website: <http://www.bnsffoundation.org/>

Timeframe: Applications accepted continuously

Contact:

Manager BNSF Railway Foundation
BNSF Railway Foundation
2500 Lou Menk Dr.
Fort Worth, TX 76131-2830
BNSFFoundation@bnsf.com

Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation, Quality of Life Grant

The Reeve Foundation Quality of Life Grants Program awards grants to nonprofit organizations that serve the disability community. Grants are awarded to organizations that address the needs of people living with paralysis caused by spinal cord and other injuries, diseases or birth conditions, including (but not limited to) stroke, spina bifida, multiple sclerosis, cerebral palsy and amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS).

Website: <https://www.christopherreeve.org/get-support/grants-for-non-profits/program-overview>

Award: Up to \$25,000

Timeframe: There are two application cycles each year. In 2016, the first cycle opened January 11 and closed February 16; the second cycle opened July 1 and closed August 15. Applications will open again in January 2017.

Contact:

QoL@christopherreeve.org
1-800-539-7309

CVS Caremark Community Grant

These grants provide funds to aid health-focused nonprofit organizations in their mission. Organizations must be invited to participate in the grant process, and are required to provide services in at least one of the following areas:

- Access to health care for underserved populations
- Chronic disease management programs
- Tobacco cessation and prevention services

Application for a Community Grant is by invitation only. For information about other giving programs, please contact the Community Relations team.

Contact:

Jennifer Leigh
Jennifer.Leigh@cvshealth.com
401-770-2935

David & Lucile Packard Foundation

The David and Lucile Packard Foundation has worked with partners around the world to improve the lives of children, families, and communities, and to restore and protect the planet. Applicable programs funded by the Packard Foundation include:

The Conservation and Science Program invests in action and ideas that conserve and restore ecosystems while enhancing human well-being.

The Children, Families, and Communities Program strives to ensure that all children have the opportunity to reach their full potential.

Website: <https://www.packard.org/what-we-fund/>

Award: varies

Timeframe:

Contact: Online form: <https://www.packard.org/contact-us/>

343 Second Street

Los Altos, CA 94022 USA

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Esping Family Foundation Grant

The Esping Family Foundation exists to help people and institutions of Dallas, Texas, specifically Dallas County to help themselves and future generations. Under the terms of its charter, the Foundation can distribute grants only to qualified public entities or 501(c)(3) charities serving the people of Texas. Grants are made in four categories:

Education

Human Services

Health

Arts and Culture

Website: <http://www.espingfamilyfoundation.org/grant-guidelines/>

Award:

Timeframe: There are two grant cycles each year:

Spring Grant Cycle: You begin the grant application process by completing a Letter of Inquiry (LOI) which is due on or before February 15 each Spring. You will be notified on or before March 1st if you have been selected to proceed to the second phase of the grant process. Grant requests are due April 1st.

Fall Grant Cycle: You begin the grant application process by completing a Letter of Inquiry (LOI) which is due on or before July 15 each Summer. You will hear on or before September 1st if you have been selected to proceed to the second phase of the grant process. Grant requests are due October 1st.

Contact:

Esping Family Foundation

2828 Routh St., Suite 500

Dallas, TX 75201

Phone: 214.849.9808

Fax: 214.849.9807

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Finish Line Youth Foundation

The Youth Foundation is a philanthropic outlet for Finish Line to make a difference in the lives of youth in the communities it serves. Through the years, the Youth Foundation has fine-tuned its mission and grown its philanthropic presence including its grant giving capacity.

To date, the Youth Foundation has awarded more than \$14.5 million in funding to support youth and Special Olympics athletes across the country. The generosity of our customers who donate online and in-store is what enables Finish Line to continually make an impact in the communities where our employees live, work and play.

FL Youth Foundation offers grants in three categories:

- Programmatic Grant: Up to \$5,000 to fund opportunities for kids to participate in community-based youth athletic programs and camps that emphasize active lifestyles, especially programs that serve disadvantaged and special needs kids.
- Legacy Grant: \$10,000 to \$75,000 to fund new facilities improvements and/or renovations to existing buildings, grounds, and property.
- Founder's Grant: \$5,000 to \$25,000 to fund emergency needs that would somehow be keeping the organization from providing current services, such as natural disasters or other unforeseen fiscal circumstances.

Website: <http://www.finishline.com/store/corporate/youthFoundation.jsp>

Award: varies

Timeframe: There are four grant submission cycles through the year, accepted and reviewed on a quarterly basis.

Fuel Up to Play 60

Fuel Up to Play 60 is an in-school nutrition and physical activity program launched by National Dairy Council and NFL, in collaboration with the USDA, to help encourage today's youth to lead healthier lives.

Up to \$4,000 per year is available to qualified K-12 schools enrolled in Fuel Up to Play 60 to jumpstart healthy changes.

Website: <https://www.fueluptoplay60.com/>

Award: Up to \$4,000

Timeframe: November 2, 2016

Contact: Online contact form: <https://www.fueluptoplay60.com/about/contact-us>

General Mills Foundation Grants

General Mills Foundation philanthropy focuses on:

- Increasing community food security worldwide.
- Advancing the sustainability of agriculture.
- Protecting the natural resources upon which food and people depend.

GM partners with employees to strengthen our hometown communities worldwide through volunteerism and grant-making addressing local community needs.

Website: <https://www.generalmills.com/en/Responsibility/general-mills-foundation/grants>

GO! Grant

GO! Grants are \$1,000 to \$5,000 grants to elementary schools to spark and sustain physical activity programs that take place before, during or after the school day. The funds may be used for equipment, facilities, professional development for adults and programs that increase students' physical activity to the recommended 60 minutes or more per day. Grants are available in all states and the District of Columbia.

PHIT America GO! Grants have been awarded to almost 300 schools getting children 5-12 years old physically active and healthier. GO! Grants help get children active for the first time or increase their physical activity & fitness level. Leading brands like Nike, Adidas, Brooks, ETS, Life Fitness, Wilson, Mizuno, the USTA and many more are investing in the GO! Grants programs.

GO! Grant programs are implemented by three-year partner, KIDS in the GAME, which excels in managing programs which get more kids off the couch and physically active. This program is the ideal way to fight the 'Inactivity Pandemic' which is creating health issues for our children.

Website: <https://www.kidsinthegame.org/go-grant-school-activity-grants/>

Amount: \$1,000 to \$5,000

Timeframe: 2016-2017 deadline has ended

Contact:

Address: 875 SE 3rd Street

Suite #240, Bend, OR 97702

Phone: 541-508-3966

Fax: 541-639-3645

info@kidsinthegame.org

Home Depot Foundation, Community Impact Grant

Grants up to \$5,000 are available to IRS-registered 501c designated organizations and tax-exempt public service agencies in the U.S. that are using the power of volunteers to improve the physical health of their community. Grants are given in the form of The Home Depot gift cards for the purchase of tools, materials, or services.

The primary goal is to provide grants and volunteer opportunities to support the renovation, refurbishment, retrofitting, accessibility modifications, and/or weatherization of existing homes, centers, schools and other similar facilities.

Website: <https://corporate.homedepot.com/grants/community-impact-grants>

Amount: up to \$5,000

Timeframe: Rolling deadline. Will receive decision 6 weeks after submission. Last day to submit applications in 2016 is December 31, 2016.

Contact: small_grants@homedepot.com

Kerr Foundation Grants

The Kerr Foundation, Inc. supports 501(c)3 organizations, programs and institutions that provide new or enhanced opportunities in the areas of education, health, cultural development and community service. Preference is given to Oklahoma organizations and institutions, although they recognize that such located outside the state and region can also have a beneficial impact on the economic, social and cultural growth and development of Oklahoma. Grant requests are limited to the following states: Oklahoma, Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, New Mexico, and Texas.

Website: <http://www.thekerrfoundation.org/guidelines.php>

Award: varies

Timeframe: Friday, January 13, 2017 - Grant Applications Due for consideration at the March 2017 trustee meeting

Contact:

The Kerr Foundation, Inc.
12501 North May Avenue
Oklahoma City, OK 73120
Tel (405) 749.7991
Fax (405) 749.2877

Lockheed Martin Community Contributions

Lockheed Martin is committed to a program of philanthropy that supports the Corporation's strategic business goals and invests in the quality of life in the communities where Lockheed Martin employees work and live.

In general, philanthropic contributions to national initiatives and organizations are made from corporate headquarters and contributions to local programs are made by Lockheed Martin sites close to the program.

Website: <http://www.lockheedmartin.com/us/who-we-are/community/philanthropy.html>

Amount: varies

Timeframe: Applications are accepted year-round. Evaluations are typically performed quarterly. Some grant applications may not be able to be considered until the next year's budget cycle, particularly those received in the second half of the year.

Contact: Community Relations - community.relations@lmco.com

L.L. Bean Community Charitable Giving

The L.L. Bean Community Charitable Giving program focuses giving on national and local outdoor conservation and recreation organizations. L.L.Bean has given more than \$14 million to local, state, regional and national conservation organizations in the last ten years. Grants are made only to qualified, federal tax-exempt 501(c) (3) organizations.

Grants are made in these four categories:

1. Conservation and Outdoor Recreation

Primary activities include the maintenance and protection of our natural resources; efforts to engage more young people in activities that are relevant to our product line, such as camping, hiking, cycling, canoeing, kayaking, fly fishing, hunting, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing; and programs that have proximity to L.L.Bean Retail Stores.

Some of our recipients include the National Park Foundation, the Appalachian Trail Conservancy, The Student Conservation Association, The Nature Conservancy, Maine Audubon, Trout Unlimited and National Wild Turkey Federation. For a more comprehensive list, [click here](#).

2. Health and Human Services

L.L.Bean has donated over \$6 million to health and human service organizations in the past ten years, primarily through the United Way in communities where we have a physical presence. These donations reflect our confidence in the United Way allocation process and our belief in supporting the physical and emotional well-being of our employees, their families and our neighbors. Because of our significant leadership gifts in this area, we are not accepting requests from health and human service organizations at this time.

3. Education (*only available in Maine)

L.L.Bean has contributed over \$4 million to statewide initiatives in Maine such as Junior Achievement and Jobs for Maine's Graduates, as well as local education partnerships. Our support is limited to the following Maine school systems: Freeport, Portland, Lewiston, Brunswick and Bangor. We do not fund education initiatives outside of Maine.

4. Culture and the Arts (*only available in Maine)

We support organizations that enrich the cultural development of our local Maine communities, including the Portland Museum of Art, Maine State Music Theatre and the American Folk Festival in Bangor. We only offer support to arts organizations in Freeport, Portland, Lewiston, Brunswick and Bangor, Maine.

Website: http://www.llbean.com/customerService/aboutLLBean/charitable_giving.html

Amount: varies

Timeframe: Ongoing.

Contact: donationrequest@llbean.com

[Lowe's Community Partners Grant](#)

Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation funds nonprofit organizations and public agencies that support our charitable goals. The foundation's primary philanthropic focus centers on K-12 public education and community improvement. Within these areas, Lowe's Foundation is committed to supporting projects that have the greatest impact on our communities and align with their core business.

Lowe's Community Partners grant program helps build better communities by providing monetary assistance to nonprofit organizations and municipalities looking for support of high-need projects such as: building renovations/upgrades, grounds improvements, technology upgrades as well as safety improvements.

Website: https://www.lowes.com/cd_Corporate+Citizenship_674540029_

<https://newsroom.lowes.com/serving-communities/>

Grant applications: <https://newsroom.lowes.com/apply-for-a-grant/>

Amount: \$2,000 to \$100,000

Timeframe: There are two grant application cycles a year:

Spring Cycle: March 19, 2017 – May 11, 2017

Fall Cycle: July 2, 2017 – August 24, 2017

Contact:

Community Relations

704-758-2917

Community@Lowes.com

Lowe's Small Grants

The small grants program is an outlet for organizations seeking smaller-scale assistance for non-educational focused projects. These grants range from \$100 to \$2,000. Small grant project requests must also fit within the Giving Guidelines. These requests are received on a rolling basis, with no specific cycle dates.

Website: <https://newsroom.lowes.com/serving-communities/>

Grant applications: <https://newsroom.lowes.com/apply-for-a-grant/>

Amount: \$100 to \$2,000, distributed as a Lowe's gift card.

Timeframe: Continuous

Contact:

Community Relations

704-758-2917

Community@Lowes.com

Lowe's Toolbox for Education Grant

Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation funds nonprofit organizations and public agencies that support our charitable goals. The foundation's primary philanthropic focus centers on K-12 public education and community improvement. Within these areas, Lowe's Foundation is committed to supporting projects that have the greatest impact on our communities and align with their core business.

The Lowe's Toolbox for Education program is designed to help build better schools and communities by offering schools the opportunity to apply for a grant between \$2,000 and \$5,000. Playground projects are eligible under the grant program. Schools can use funding to build a new playground or refurbish old equipment. The Toolbox for Education program also allows for schools to pad the ground with wood chips or rubber matting to make playgrounds safe. In addition, schools may use funding to enhance a playground with handicapped—accessible configurations and build pathways for wheelchair accessibility.

Website: <http://www.toolboxforeducation.com/index.html>; <https://newsroom.lowes.com/apply-for-a-grant/>

Amount: \$2,000 to \$5,000

Timeframe: There are two grant application cycles a year:

Spring Cycle: December 18, 2016 – February 9, 2017

Fall Cycle: August 6, 2017 – September 28, 2017

Contact:

Community Relations

704-758-2917

Community@Lowes.com

info@toolboxforeducation.com

Mattel Children's Foundation

The Mattel Children's Foundation focuses its strategic grant making on one major objective: Improving the lives of children in need. The Mattel Children's Foundation has developed partnerships with exemplary nonprofit partners that demonstrate this ideal through both compassionate outreach to children and strong financial accountability.

The foundation is driven by the belief that play is essential for all children because it is fundamental to development and learning but millions of children lack access to play. Currently, the foundation is dedicated to supporting nonprofit organizations around the world that make a meaningful difference in the lives of children, and with an emphasis on programs that support or enhance the opportunity for children to play.

Not accepting unsolicited applications at this time.

Website: <http://philanthropy.mattel.com/focus#time>

MetLife Foundation

MetLife Foundation has committed \$200 million over five years to help low-income individuals and families get access to safe and affordable financial products and services. MetLife Foundation works in both developing and developed economies to expand and improve financial services. We fund approaches that help low- and moderate-income people:

- improve basic cash flow management
- prepare for life's inevitable challenges
- take advantage of opportunities
- achieve their short- and long- term goals

In addition, MetLife sponsors initiatives in other philanthropic areas, expanding beyond the financial health of communities to support for medical research, arts and cultural institutions, disaster relief, and civic initiatives.

Website: https://www.metlife.com/about/corporate-responsibility/metlife-foundation/index.html?WT.ac=GN_about_corporate-responsibility_metlife-foundation

Contact: metlifefoundation@metlife.com

Charles Stewart Mott Foundation

The Mott Foundation supports nonprofit organizations that are working to strengthen our hometown of Flint and communities around world. The foundation seeks to fulfill its mission of supporting efforts that promote a just, equitable, and sustainable society through these four programs:

- Civil Society: efforts to increase civic engagement, encourage charitable giving and help communities make positive change.
- Education: efforts to expand learning opportunities and supports for children, particularly those from low- and moderate-income communities.
- Environment: programs around the world that protect communities and the ecosystems upon which they depend.
- Flint Area: efforts to help our hometown of Flint solve problems, create opportunities and build a vibrant future for the community and its residents.

Funding for unsolicited requests is very limited. Interested entities wanting to submit an idea for funding should first complete a letter of inquiry (LOI) form. Your LOI will help our program staff determine the relevance of proposed project and offer advice on whether to submit a full proposal.

Website: <https://www.mott.org/>
 Contact: Office of Proposal Entry
 Charles Stewart Mott Foundation
 Mott Foundation Building
 503 S. Saginaw Street, Suite 1200
 Flint, MI 48502-1851
 U.S.A.

Muscle Milk Recovery Grant

The MUSCLE MILK® team awards grants to revitalize high school athletic departments around the country that demonstrate a financial need. The Muscle Milk Recovery Grant™ program helps athletic programs solve immediate needs like purchasing new uniforms, replacing broken equipment or restoring facilities in disrepair.

CytoSport, Inc. (“Sponsor”) believes strongly that sports and exercise are essential to the health, well-being and happiness of children and adults of all ages. As a result, we want to give back to our audience by providing grant money to worthy school or community programs that have a specific need for resources to improve athletic opportunities for kids and young adults. To facilitate this goal, we developed the Muscle Milk® Brand Recovery Grant Program (“Grant Program”), which will provide a series of grants to deserving programs at least four times a year, and maybe more. Each grant will represent a self-contained giveaway with an entry period as defined below.

Website: <http://www.musclemlkrecoverygrant.com/>
 Award: varies
 Timeframe: Ongoing. In 2016, three grant periods, ending on (i) September 15, 2016; (ii) October 31, 2016; and (iii) December 31, 2016.
 Contact: Mail: 1340 Treat Blvd. Suite 350, Walnut Creek, CA 94597 Phone: 1-888-298-6629

National Swimming Pool Foundation Grants

The National Swimming Pool Foundation® is a non-profit foundation whose mission is to encourage healthier living by increasing aquatic activity through education and research. The National Swimming Pool Foundation has established the NSPF Fellowship Program to encourage and support graduate students and post-doctoral fellows who focus research in two areas associated with aquatic venues that are treated to maintain a sanitary condition (e.g. swimming pools, spas/hot tubs, therapy pools, water parks, etc.):

Research to reduce the risk to people associated with - but not limited to - physical facility design, exposure to chemical or pathogenic contaminants, air quality, drowning, or entrapment, etc.
Research to investigate and document the positive health consequences of aquatic activities against maladies such as - but not limited to - high blood pressure, diabetes, obesity, heart disease, cancer, aging, physical therapy, arthritis, etc.

Website: <https://www.nspf.org/NSPF-Scholarship-Program-and-Research-Fellowship-Grants>

Award: minimum of \$1,000 and \$2,000

Timeframe: Scholarships are awarded for the fall semester of each year. In order to be considered for the fall 2017 semester, the complete application package must be received by the National Swimming Pool Foundation no later than June 1, 2017.

Contact:

NSPF Fellowship Program
National Swimming Pool Foundation
4775 Granby Circle
Colorado Springs, CO 80919-3131
Service@nspf.org

Nature Works Everywhere Grant

The Nature Works Everywhere program is administered by The Nature Conservancy, a leading conservation organization working around the world to protect ecologically important lands and waters for nature and people. Nature Works Everywhere gives teachers, students and families everything they need to start exploring and understanding nature around the globe alongside Nature Conservancy scientists. The program offers a grant opportunity to schools across the U.S. to build, amend or revitalize school garden projects with the core principal that gardens model nature on a relatable scale. By combining project-based learning curriculum with a school garden space, students learn conservation-mindedness.

In 2016, the Nature Works Everywhere grant broadened its support for all kinds of projects that involve students in developing a nature-based, green infrastructure solution to an environmental challenge in their community. Whether addressing issues surrounding access to healthy food, air quality, heat island effect, climate change or storm water collection, youth will be empowered as social innovators to model solutions in their school communities through project design and implementation. To accomplish this, the Nature Works Everywhere grant will support projects that implement green infrastructure to address local environmental challenges.

Website: <https://www.natureworkseverywhere.org/home/>

Timeframe: Deadline for 2018 is November 3, 2017

Contact: natureworks@tnc.org

People for Bikes Community Grant Program

The PeopleForBikes Community Grant Program supports bicycle infrastructure projects and targeted advocacy initiatives that make it easier and safer for people of all ages and abilities to ride. Please review the following information carefully before submitting a grant application. Proposals that are incomplete or do not fall within our funding priority areas will not be considered. Visit our Grants Awarded database for examples of funded projects.

PeopleForBikes accepts grant applications from non-profit organizations with a focus on bicycling, active transportation, or community development, from city or county agencies or departments, and from state or federal agencies working locally. PeopleForBikes only funds projects in the United States. Requests must support a specific project or program; we do not grant funds for general operating costs.

PeopleForBikes focuses most grant funds on bicycle infrastructure projects and will also fund some advocacy projects.

Website: <http://www.peopleforbikes.org/pages/community-grants>

Award: Up to \$10,000

Timeframe: PeopleForBikes generally holds 1-2 open grant cycles every year. The 2017 grant cycles have closed.

Contact: Zoe Kircos, Director of Grants and Partnerships, at 303-449-4893 x106 or zoe@peopleforbikes.org

[Robert Wood Johnson Foundation](#)

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) funds program and policy initiatives in four areas which are each critical to health equity—enabling everyone in our nation to live a healthier life:

- Health Systems: Catalyzing fundamental changes in health and health care systems to achieve measurably better outcomes for all.
- Healthy Kids, Healthy Weight: Enabling all children to attain their optimal physical, social and emotional well-being, including growing up at a healthy weight.
- Healthy Communities: Creating the conditions that allow communities and their residents to reach their greatest health potential.
- Health Leadership: Engaging a diverse array of leaders in all sectors with the vision, experience, and drive to help build a Culture of Health.

Specific grant programs are developed by RWJF program staff, in consultation with leading experts in our fields of interest, and with guidance and final approval from our board of trustees.

In many cases, a competitive call for proposals (CFP) is issued that defines the challenges to address, activities RWJF will support to achieve desired outcomes, and eligibility criteria. In addition, funding is also provided through open calls for ideas and different types of challenges and prize competitions.

Website: <http://www.rwjf.org/en/how-we-work/grants.html>

Funding opportunities: <http://www.rwjf.org/en/how-we-work/grants/funding-opportunities.html>

Award: varies

Timeframe: ongoing

Contact:

Office of Proposal Management

mail@rwjf.org

877-843-7953

[Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Evidence for Action](#)

Evidence for Action (E4A), a national program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, funds research that expands the evidence base needed to build a Culture of Health. Our mission is to support rigorously designed quantitative, qualitative, and mixed methods research that yields convincing findings regarding

the population health, well-being, and equity impacts of specific policies, programs and partnerships. We are especially interested in research examining the health impacts of programmatic or policy interventions that address factors outside the domain of health care services or public health practice.

Website: <https://www.rwjf.org/en/how-we-work/grants-and-grant-programs.html>

Program website: <http://www.evidenceforaction.org/>

Award: varies. E4A was allocated \$6.6 million in grant funding to award through July 2017.

Timeframe: Rolling basis.

Rotary, District Grants

District grants fund small-scale, short-term activities that address needs of a community of a qualified Rotary district. Each district chooses which activities it will fund with these grants. You can use district grants to fund a variety of district and club projects and activities, including:

Humanitarian projects, including service travel and disaster recovery efforts

Scholarships for any level, length of time, location, or area of study

Youth programs, including Rotary Youth Exchange, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA), Rotaract, and Interact

Vocational training teams, which are groups of professionals who travel abroad either to teach local professionals about their field or to learn more about it themselves

Website: <https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/take-action/apply-grants/district-grants>

Saucony Run for Good Foundation

The Saucony Run For Good Foundation donates funds to causes aimed at keeping kids healthy and offers grants to reduce the childhood obesity epidemic. Grants are open to community nonprofit organizations that initiate and support running programs for kids.

Website: <http://www.saucony.com/en/runforgood/>

Award: up to \$10,000

Timeframe: Grants are issued twice per year, once in February and once in August. The deadline to apply for those grants are 12/15 and 6/15.

Contact:

191 Spring Street

Mail Drop 318S

Lexington, MA 02420-9191

runforgood@saucony.com

Shane's Inspiration

Shane's Inspiration is a non-profit organization committed to the creation of inclusive, sensory rich, developmentally appropriate, fun, safe, and challenging playgrounds where children of all abilities can play together at their highest level of ability. Shane's Inspiration offers assistance for the installation of inclusionary playgrounds.

Website: <http://shanesinspiration.org/build/>

Timeframe: ongoing

Contact:

15213 Burbank Boulevard,
Sherman Oaks, CA 91411 USA
Tel – (818) 988-5676
Fax – (818) 988-5677
Email – info@shanesinspiration.org

Voya Unsung Heroes

Each year, 100 educators are selected to receive \$2,000 to help fund their innovative class projects. Three of those are chosen to receive the top awards of an additional \$5,000, \$10,000 and \$25,000. The program is administered by Scholarship America, the nation's largest designer and manager of scholarship, tuition assistance and other education support programs for corporations, foundations, associations and individuals.

Applicants to the Voya Unsung Heroes Awards Program must be:

- Employed by an accredited K-12 public or private school located in the United States.
- Full-time educators, teachers, principals, paraprofessionals, or classified staff with effective and innovative projects that improve student learning.

Website: <https://www.scholarsapply.org/unsungheroes/>

Award: \$2,000 and opportunity to receive “top awards” of an additional \$5,000, \$10,000 and \$25,000

Timeframe: application must be submitted on or before April 30, 2018.

Contact: unsungheroes@scholarshipamerica.org, 1-507-931-1682

Walmart Community Grant Program

Through the Community Grant Program, store associates are proud to support the needs of their communities by providing grants to local organizations. Funds must benefit the facility's service area: potential grantees should be nonprofit organizations with programs that benefit communities within the service area of the Walmart store, Sam's Club or Logistics facility from which they are requesting funds.

Walmart and the Walmart Foundation have identified four core areas of giving: Hunger Relief & Healthy Eating, Sustainability, Women's Economic Empowerment and Opportunity. To ensure that your application has the best chance of being funded, the proposed use of the grant should fit within one of these areas of giving.

Website: <http://giving.walmart.com/walmart-foundation/community-grant-program>

Award: \$250 to \$2,500

Timeframe: Annually – Grant cycle begins February 1st and deadline December 31st

Walmart State Giving Program

The State Giving Program invests in all 50 states, Washington, D.C. and Puerto Rico. The Walmart Foundation has a State Advisory Council in each state, made up of Walmart associates representing local communities. Each Council helps identify local needs within its state, reviews all eligible grant applications and makes funding recommendations to the Walmart Foundation. Councils base recommendations on alignment with Foundation focus areas, state or community needs and program eligibility criteria.

Website: http://corporate.walmart.com/_foundation_/apply-for-grants/state-giving-program

Award: \$25,000 to \$200,000

Timeframe: All states have two application cycles annually. The State Giving Program application is currently closed. The application will reopen early 2017.

Walmart National Giving Program

The National Giving Program supports organizations working across one or more states to address social issues strongly aligned with our focus areas. This program often provide funds to organizations that have local affiliates around the country, and the majority of grants from this program include re-grants to implement programs in local communities.

Website: <http://giving.walmart.com/apply-for-grants/national-giving>

Award: \$250,000 and above

Wells Fargo, Community Giving

Wells Fargo and the Wells Fargo Foundation provide monetary support, expertise, and volunteers to national and local nonprofit organizations and causes that align with our business priorities, values, business expertise, and geographies. Wells Fargo works with a wide range of nonprofits and community organizations to stabilize and strengthen low-to-moderate income neighborhoods, as well as address global social, economic, and environmental challenges. Wells Fargo focuses giving in the following areas:

- **Community Development:** programs that help provide affordable housing for low and moderate income individuals; promote economic development by financing small businesses or small farms; provide job training for low and moderate income individuals Provide financial education and promote economic empowerment; help to revitalize low and moderate income communities
- **Education:** Programs that promote academic achievement for low- and moderate-income students with a priority emphasis on K-12; provide training for teachers and administrators working with low- and moderate-income students; encourage school partnerships with parents and guardians, the local community, and the business community.
- **Human Services:** social and human service organizations whose work chiefly benefits low- and moderate-income individuals.
- **Arts and Culture:** Projects and requests that work to enhance community diversity through access to cultural experiences for low- and moderate-income individuals, availability of a broad array of artistic opportunities and venues that reflect the community's diversity, and educational programs.
- **Civic Engagement:** projects that enhance a community's quality of life through projects involving public policy, community beautification, civic leadership, citizen education, and cultural diversity.
- **Environment:** including natural resources conservation, environmental education, and support the transition to a sustainable environment.

Website: <https://www.wellsfargo.com/about/corporate-responsibility/texas-grant-guidelines/>

Amount: Varies

Timeframe: Ongoing.

Contact: Each region in Texas manages its own application process and accordingly has its own contact.

RESOURCES

[GRANTS.GOV](http://www.grants.gov)

The Grants.gov program management office was established in 2002 and is managed by the Department of Health and Human Services. Grants.gov is an E-Government initiative operating under the governance of the Office of Management and Budget.

Grants.gov is a resource for those seeking grants through federal funding opportunities. The site makes it simple to find grants based on Keyword searches, Categories, Agencies, or Eligibilities.

Website: www.grants.gov

[CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE \(CFDA\)](https://www.cfda.gov/)

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) provides a full listing of all Federal programs available to State and local governments (including the District of Columbia); federally-recognized Indian tribal governments; Territories (and possessions) of the United States; domestic public, quasi- public, and private profit and nonprofit organizations and institutions; specialized groups; and individuals.

Website: <https://www.cfda.gov/?s=program&mode=list&tab=list>

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