

Nebraska Game and Parks grants available

**(KLZA)--Two federal grant programs administered by Nebraska Game and Parks Commission are accepting applications from communities across Nebraska for recreation improvements.**

**Applications for the Recreation Trails Program and Land and Water Conservation Fund are due Sept. 9, 2022. Grants recommended for approval will be announced during the January 2023 Commission meeting.**

**The Recreational Trails Program is a grant program through the Federal Highway Administration that reimburses political subdivisions – such as communities, counties and natural resources districts – up to \$250,000 or 80% of project costs for trail acquisition, development, renovation and support facilities.**

**Applicants must have the financial means to undertake and maintain the project and all funding should be on hand as this is a reimbursable grant program.**

**This funding source is for motorized and non-motorized trail projects. It is divided by category: 30% of funding utilized for motorized, 30% for non-motorized projects and 40% for diversified or shared use trail projects.**

**Apply at [ngpcgrants.outdoornebraska.gov](https://ngpcgrants.outdoornebraska.gov). For more information on the Recreational Trails Program, visit [outdoornebraska.gov/rtp/](https://outdoornebraska.gov/rtp/).**

**The Land and Water Conservation Fund, a program administered by the National Park Service, provides matching funds for outdoor recreation projects.**

**Eligible projects include, but are not limited to, ballfields, soccer fields, swimming pools, picnicking facilities, playgrounds, pool renovations, splash pads, park acquisitions and development, wildlife viewing facilities, fishing access, hike/bike trails, adventure spots (such as ziplines and rock-climbing walls) and park-related support facilities.**

**All projects must encourage outdoor recreation. Project sponsors must be a political subdivision, such as cities, county governments or natural resource districts. The LWCF provides reimbursable matching grants for up to 50% of total project costs.**

**Grant sponsors should have all funding on hand at the time of grant application submission.**

**The LWCF grant award requests for an individual project must be between**

**\$40,000 and \$400,000, equating to a \$80,000 to \$800,000 in total project costs.**

**To apply and get more information,  
visit [ngpcgrants.outdoornebraska.gov](https://ngpcgrants.outdoornebraska.gov) and [outdoornebraska.gov/lwcf](https://outdoornebraska.gov/lwcf).**

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