

Potential Recreation and Park Funding Sources

Compiled by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Recreation and Parks

The following is a list of potential funding sources that may be available to assist in the development of park facilities, environmental education programs or natural resource protection, and enhancement projects.

<p align="center"><u>DEPT. of AGRICULTURE/DIVISION OF FORESTRY</u></p> <p align="center">▪ Urban and Community Forestry Assistance Program</p> <p><i>Development and enhancement of urban forests.</i></p> <p>Charlie Marcus (850) 921-0300 3125 Conner Boulevard Suite R-3 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1650 www.fl-dof.com</p> <p>Application Submission Period: Annual /January – March No State Agencies. Non-Prof., City & County Welcome. 2yr. grant if approved 50%-50% Match Required (cash, in-kind, donations)</p>	<p align="center"><u>DEPT. of AGRICULTURE/DIVISION OF FORESTRY</u></p> <p align="center">▪ Rural Development Program</p> <p><i>Projects that use natural resources to improve the economy and job opportunities in rural communities.</i></p> <p>Britt Evans (850) 414-9955 3125 Conner Boulevard Suite R-3 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1650 www.fl-dof.com</p>
<p align="center"><u>DEPARTMENT of ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION</u></p> <p align="center">▪ 319 Grant Program</p> <p><i>Water quality improvement demonstration projects for nonpoint source pollutants within priority watersheds.</i></p> <p>Heather Ritchie (850) 245-8682 2600 Blair Stone Road, MS 3570 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000 http://www.dep.state.fl.us/water/nonpoint/319h.htm</p> <p>Application Submission Period: Annual/February – March State Agencies & Local Governments Welcome Federal Grant Award - 3yr. grant if approved. 40% -60% Match Required (No land - Only cash, in-kind & donations)</p>	<p align="center"><u>DEPARTMENT of ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION</u></p> <p align="center">▪ Florida Beach Erosion Control Assistance Program</p> <p><i>Beach restoration and nourishment, dune restoration, dune walkover construction, project design, engineering and environmental studies, and other erosion related activities.</i></p> <p>Paden Woodruff, Administrator (850) 922-7703 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 300 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000 http://www.dep.state.fl.us/beaches/programs/bcherosn.htm</p> <p>Application Submission Period: Annually/ August Local Governments Only 1 ½ yr (18months) grant if approved Grant Match - up to 50% of request</p>
<p align="center"><u>DEPARTMENT of ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION</u></p> <p align="center">▪ Florida Greenways and Trails Acquisition Program</p> <p><i>Formerly known as the Florida Rails-to-Trails Program, provides acquisition funds for the purchase of greenways and trails for recreational and conservation purposes.</i></p> <p>Cynthia Radford, Program Admin. (850) 245-4079 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 795 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000</p> <p>Development of Recreational Trails (850) 245-2052 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 795 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000 http://www.dep.state.fl.us/gwt/community</p> <p>Application Submission Period: Ongoing. Acquisition State Program State Agencies, Local Governments Grant Match Not Required</p>	<p align="center"><u>DEPARTMENT of ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION</u></p> <p align="center">▪ Clean Vessel Act Grant Program</p> <p><i>A federal program that provides funding to public and private recreational boating facilities to install or renovate pump out or waste dump reception facilities.</i></p> <p>Brenda Leonard (850) 245-2847 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 665 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000 http://www.dep.state.fl.us/law/Grants/CVA/default.htm</p> <p>Application Submission Period: Ongoing Federal Program State Agencies, Local Govt., Non-Profits (Public & Private) Grant Match – 25% - 75% of requested amount</p>

<p align="center"><u>DEPARTMENT of ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION</u></p> <p>▪ Land and Water Conservation Fund <i>A federal program that provides grants to local governments for acquisition of park land and development of park facilities.</i></p> <p>Office of Information and Recreation Services (850) 245-2501 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 585 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000 www.dep.state.fl.us/parks/oirs</p> <p>Application Submission Period: Annual/February Federal Grant Award – 3yr. Grant if Approved Local Governments Only (No State Agencies, No Non-Prof.) 50%-50% Grant Match (Cash, in-kind, land value)</p>	<p align="center"><u>DEPARTMENT of ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION</u></p> <p>▪ Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program <i>Limited to local community acquisition of park land and development of park facilities</i></p> <p>Office of Information and Recreation Services (850) 245-2501 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 585 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000 www.dep.state.fl.us/parks/oirs</p> <p>Application Submission Period: Annual/September State Grant – 3yr. Grant if Approved Local Governments Only (No State Agencies, No Non-Prof.) 50%-50% Grant Match (Cash, in-kind, land value)</p>
<p align="center"><u>DEPARTMENT of ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION</u></p> <p>▪ Florida Forever Program (formerly Conservation & Recreation Lands Program, CARL) <i>State acquisition program to preserve significant natural and other resource values.</i></p> <p>Jim Farr (850) 245-2766 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 140 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000 www.floridaforever.org</p>	<p align="center"><u>DEPARTMENT OF STATE</u></p> <p>▪ Historical Museums Grants-In-Aid Program <i>Development of exhibits on Florida history.</i></p> <p>Scott Moore, Grants Manager (850) 245-6333 500 South Bronough Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250 http://www.flheritage.com</p>
<p align="center"><u>DEPARTMENT of COMMUNITY AFFAIRS</u></p> <p>▪ Florida Communities Trust <i>Provides grant and loan assistance to local governments for the acquisition and conservation of outdoor recreation lands that are needed to implement local government comprehensive plans.</i></p> <p>Grant Gelhardt, Environmental Administrator . (850) 922-1704 2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2100 http://www.floridacommunitiestrust.org</p> <p>Application Submission Period: Annual/February - June State Grant Award Local Governments & Non-Profits 25% Minimum Grant Match (for counties w/ populations >75,000 and municipalities w/ populations > 10,000) 100% Grant Award for municipalities < they above thresholds.</p>	<p align="center"><u>DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION</u></p> <p>▪ Transportation Enhancement Program <i>Transportation enhancement projects: Bike and pedestrian trails and facilities, landscaping, and restoration of historic transportation structures.</i></p> <p>Mariano Berrios, Environmental Administrator (850) 414-5250 605 Suwannee Street, MS 37 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0450 http://www.dot.state.fl.us/emo/enhance/enhance.htm</p> <p>Application Submission Period: Annually/Spring and ongoing as funds become available. State & Federal Grant Awards State Agencies, Local Governments, Districts. No Non-Profits 50%-50% Grant Match (Cash, in-kind, land value)</p>
<p align="center"><u>DEPARTMENT OF STATE</u></p> <p>▪ State Historic Preservation Grants-In-Aid Program <i>Historical archaeological site identification, preservation education, restoration of historic buildings, and excavation of archaeological sites.</i></p> <p>Sharyn Highland, Grant Supervisor (850) 245-6333 500 South Bronough Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250 http://www.flheritage.com</p> <p>Application Submission Period: Small Projects Annually/October – December. Special Category Projects Annually July – August. State & Federal Grant Awards State Agencies, Local Governments, Non-Profits Grant Match - 50% of request or \$500,000 (which ever is greater.)</p>	<p align="center"><u>FLORIDA FISH & WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION</u></p> <p>▪ Marine Artificial Reef Development Program <i>Reimbursement of coastal local governments for funds expended to build artificial reefs.</i></p> <p>Mr. John Dodrill (850) 922-4340 Ext 209 620 S. Meridian Street Box MS-4B2 Tallahassee, Florida 32301 http://www.myfwc.com/marine/ar/index.asp</p>

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<p>▪ Waterways Assistance Program Grant <i>Public navigation, recreation, and environmental education projects along the Intracoastal Waterway.</i></p> <p align="center">Mr. Mark Crosley (561) 627-3386 1314 Marcinski Road Jupiter, Florida 33477 http://www.aicw.org/wap.htm</p> <p>Application Submission Period: Annually/January – April State Grant Award - 2yr Grant if Approved Local Governments Only (No State) Grant Match - 50% of requested amount</p>	<p>▪ Waterways Assistance Program Grant <i>Public navigation, recreation, and environmental education projects along the Intracoastal Waterway.</i></p> <p align="center">Mr. Charles Listowski (941) 485-9402 Post Office Box 1845 Venice, Florida 34284-1845 http://www.wcind.net</p>
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<p>▪ Florida Boating Improvement Program <i>Provides grants to county governments for boating related activities.</i></p> <p align="center">Susanna Stephens (850) 488-5600 620 South Meridian Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600 http://www.myfwc.com/boating/grants/fbip.htm</p>	<p>▪ Derelict Vessel Grant Program <i>A grant program designed to serve coastal local governments by assisting with their cost to remove derelict vessels from coastal waters of the state. Vessels are declared derelict by each of the five Florida Marine Patrol district offices.</i></p> <p align="center">Tim Woody (850) 488-5600 620 South Meridian Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600 http://www.myfwc.com/boating/grants/derelict.htm</p>