

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

Anchorage Park Foundation - Sitka Park Renovation

State Funding Requested: \$42,000**House District: 23 / L**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Renovate Sitka Park with volunteers, using a community identified fix-it list.

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost: \$82,000

Funding Already Secured: (\$40,000)

FY2012 State Funding Request: (\$42,000)

Project Deficit: \$0

*Funding Details:**Sitka Park was purchased in 1983, and is located in the Chester Creek Greenbelt.***Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

Neighbors have indicated that this needs a new picnic pavilion for community gatherings. In addition, the play area should be renovated, and signage, dog stations, and new trash containers should be installed.

Volunteers have also noted concerns about debris and standing water blocking the trail, so trail repair could be in order here.

A Very Important Park Committee (traditionally established by community councils, but including all interested neighbors) will be invited to participate in renovation planning and volunteering for the fix-it day.

Project Timeline:

Summer 2012

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

Municipality of Anchorage

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Total Project Snapshot Report

2011 Legislature

TPS Report 55337v1

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

Anchorage Park Foundation

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Volunteers



Build Stronger Neighborhoods



Improve Parks



And Build a Stronger Anchorage



2011

CAPIS Project Number

55337

Legislative District 23L

Anchorage Park Foundation

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

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

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

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Sitka Park

Park Report Card Grade: B-

The Anchorage Park Foundation and the Municipality of Anchorage Parks & Recreation Department are working together to address the fix-its in small neighborhood parks. In 2008, more than 1,000 community volunteers graded 53 neighborhood parks for the **Anchorage Parks Report Card**, a community scorecard that identifies priority repairs in the parks that affect us closest to home.

In the summers of 2009 and 2010, the Anchorage Park Foundation and the Parks & Recreation Department mobilized thousands of parks volunteers to revitalize neighborhood parks by completing community-identified fix-its. This winter, the Anchorage Park Foundation and the Parks & Recreation Department are partnering with Community Councils, park user groups and park neighbors to plan the 2011 and 2012 neighborhood park fix-its.

Anchorage Parks Report Card participants in Sitka Park reported seeing unsafe activities during night hours. Volunteers are also concerned about debris and standing water blocking trails. Park users also noted the lack of volleyball nets, park rules signs and dog stations.

In the summer of 2012, the Anchorage Park Foundation and Parks & Recreation Department will work with parks volunteers to complete the neighborhood-identified fix-its in Sitka Park. We invite the Alaska State Legislature to join us in investing in the future of Sitka Park and the Airport Heights community. **The Anchorage Park Foundation will match legislative investment in neighborhood park fix-its with volunteer involvement and generous support from the Rasmuson Foundation's Anchorage Parks Initiative.**



Sitka Park Fix It List

- Create an inviting and welcoming entryway with updated signs
- Improve park cleanliness with additional dog stations and trash containers
- Restore and improve play area for neighborhood children
- Create new picnic area for neighborhood gatherings and interactions



Project Cost Estimate

Project Budget	Cost
New park signs & entryways	\$10,000
Dog stations	\$300
Trash containers	\$4,700
Play area upgrades	\$47,000
Amenity upgrades	\$20,000
TOTAL	\$82,000
2011 Request	
Anchorage Park Foundation	\$40,000
State Request	\$42,000
Total Project Budget	\$82,000

