

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 - Minnesota Park Renovation

State Funding Requested: \$159,000**House District: 25 / M**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Renovation of Minnesota Park with committed group of neighborhood volunteers.

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	\$240,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$81,000)
FY2012 State Funding Request:	<u>(\$159,000)</u>
Project Deficit:	\$0

Funding Details:

Minnesota Park received an F in the 2008 Parks Report Card, and the Anchorage Park Foundation plans to spend \$81,000 (\$28,000 community match, \$28,000 challenge grant, \$25,000 clean & green funds) to address the volunteer identified fix-it list in 2011.

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

In 2010, with Anchorage Park Foundation and Parks & Recreation Department funding, community members made vast improvements to Minnesota Park, including replacing benches, removing unused tennis courts, installing new signs, trimming brush, planting trees and removing graffiti throughout the park. Inspired by the tremendous amount of work remaining to be done in the park, the Minnesota Park Committee successfully applied for an Anchorage Park Foundation Challenge Grant to support their extensive volunteer efforts.

In the summer of 2011, the Anchorage Park Foundation and Parks & Recreation Department will work with parks volunteers to complete neighborhood park fix-its in Minnesota Park. We invite the Alaska State Legislature to join us in investing in the future of Minnesota Park and the Spenard 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.

The Spenard community is committed to

- renovation of the north tennis court to improve recreation opportunities for park neighbors
- replace 2,000 linear feet of fence along Minnesota Drive to improve park user safety
- renovate the seating plaza to create a neighborhood gathering place

Project Timeline:

Summer 2011

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

Municipality of Anchorage

Grant Recipient Contact Information:

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

Anchorage Park Foundation

Since 2004, the Anchorage Park Foundation has invested more than \$13 million in Anchorage parks, trails and recreation programs. Join us this summer to revitalize parks in your district.

Volunteers



Build Stronger Neighborhoods



Improve Parks



And Build a Stronger Anchorage



2011

CAPIS Project Number

55345

Legislative District 25/26M

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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Anchorage Park Foundation

Minnesota Park

Park Report Card Grade: F

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.

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Project Cost Estimate

Project Budget	Cost
Resurface seating plaza	\$50,000
Fence replacement & park upgrades	\$120,000
Renovate north tennis court	\$70,000
TOTAL	\$240,000
2011 Request	
Anchorage Park Foundation	\$25,000
APF Challenge Grant	\$28,000
Community Raised Match	\$28,000
State Request	\$159,000
Total Project Budget	\$240,000



Minnesota Park