

## Past Community Challenge Grant Projects

Year Awarded	Project Name	Grantee	Amount Awarded	Project Location	Project Description
2022	Winchester Park Trail Development	Volunteer	\$ 3,100	Winchester Park	The project has two goals: develop access easements to a park and gain momentum for master plan development for Spruce and Winchester Parks. The parks are surrounded by residential development and do not have master plans. To define the "10' walkway" easement bordering private property, a licensed land surveyor will locate the easement, then it will be physically defined with wooden bollards, chips and brush clearing. The trail will lead to an existing primitive path from Parkridge Circle which will also be soft chipped.
2022	Eastchester Park Beautification	Fairview Community Council	\$ 6,920	Eastchester Park	Led by Fairview Community Council members, the project will establish a stronger sense of place at Eastchester Park through strategic placing of nine Birch trees, two planter boxes and eight shrubs planted parallel to 20th Avenue. The planters will be planted with berry bushes to increase local access to natural foods. This project will help gain momentum for community involvement in park improvements with the voter approval of a 2022 bond for Eastchester Park.
2022	Scenic Park Pickleball Court	Midnight Sun Pickleball	\$ 7,500	Scenic Park	With the support of Scenic Foothills Community Council, pickleball fans will convert one of the two lightly used tennis courts into a dual-purpose tennis/pickleball court, leaving the other one solely for tennis. Volunteers will also improve an entrance to the park that is adjacent to Scenic Park Elementary School.
2022	Fairview Lions Park Beautification	Neighborworks Alaska	\$ 4,000	Fairview Lions Park	Neighborworks Alaska will organize volunteer days to work with parks and recreation on numerous park improvements. They will weed, re-mulch and build new planters at the existing community garden plots, install two bear-proof trash cans, re-paint fence and timber retention walls, remove graffiti on picnic shelter and benches as needed, and find appropriate locations for two dog stations.
2022	Kincaid Park Disc Golf Improvements	Alaska Disc Golf Association	\$ 10,000	Kincaid Park	Volunteers with the Alaska Disc Golf Association will improve erosion and safety concerns around the tee boxes throughout the course and install 18 Innova DISCatcher Pro 28 baskets. The Kincaid disc golf course gets played 15k times a season and is considered by many the best course in the State. The new baskets will accommodate more users at all skill levels.

2022	Forsythe Park Outdoor Learning Lab	Volunteers	\$ 10,752	Forsythe Park	Teachers, parents and students at O'Malley Elementary are creating an outdoor learning space at Forsythe Park. They worked closely with Anchorage Park Foundation's Schools on Trails program to design a map to access the trails and flora in the park. O'Malley third graders designed and will install a field identification guide for 6 different trees in the park. Youth Employment in Parks crews will work with volunteers to make the park's bridge over the South Fork of Little Campbell Creek accessible to all users. Contractors will be hired to install an observation viewing platform and bench along the creek for outdoor learning.
2022	Tikishla Park/Chester Creek Trail Prunus Padus Chokecherry	Volunteers	\$ 5,000	Tikishla Park	With the support of the Airport Heights Community Council, Tikishla Park neighbors are uniting to fight off invasive chokecherry (mayday) trees that are harmful to wildlife and salmon in Chester Creek. Their goal is to eradicate chokecherry from the park and adjoining spur trails once and for all, through a series of strategic volunteer events.
2022	Fish Creek Tunnel Art	Spenard Community Council	\$ 12,240	Fish Creek Trail	A mosaic frieze will be centered in the bike trail tunnel that runs under Spenard Road. The concept envisions a repeating pattern of salmon skin/scales with fluid, riffle lines hinting at the movement of water as it flows over the surface of the scales. The material used for the mosaic are decommissioned road signs. For pedestrians and bikers, signage often seems directed towards cars rather than non-motorized means of transportation. This mosaic redirects that impulse and creates an artwork specifically for trail users. A combination of shadow and direct light source will cause the mosaic frieze to reflect, shine and highlight the surface patinas. The shimmering effects will be especially dramatic in Winter when trail users often use head lamps to illuminate their way.
2022	Cuddy Family Midtown Park Fish Creek Watershed Interpretation	Friends of Fish Creek	\$ 15,835	Cuddy Family Midtown Park	Friends of Fish Creek will work with local artist and videographer Max Romey to create an outreach and education interpretive panel telling the story of Fish Creek. Voters approved a feasibility study in 2022 to research options for restoring this once vibrant watershed. The artistic display will be installed at Cuddy Park, which is home to ponds created by the creek. It will depict a free-flowing Fish Creek in the main map, with "scene bubbles" showing people recreating on a trail, families picnicking and coho salmon returning as envisioned by a coalition of advocates working to "daylight" this watershed that was channeled underground in the 1950s to allow midtown development.

2022	Brotherhood/Sisterhood Park Baseball Field Improvements	Anchorage West Little League	\$ 10,000	Brotherhood/Sisterhood Park	Anchorage West Little League plans a to improve a youth baseball field to encourage more young people to stay in the sport and improve their health. This field hosts practices and games for Dimond West Little League and Anchorage West Little League's older players (12-16 years old). It is one of the city's few full-size fields available to kids of that age group, and it is used six days a week from late April through mid-July. The field has seen better days and needs some tender loving care. Projects include resurfacing, improving facilities and installing a new pitcher's mound and sprinkler system.
2022	Westchester Lagoon Bird Platform	Anchorage Waterways Council	\$ 25,000	Westchester Lagoon	Anchorage Waterways Council will lead an effort to restore the degraded shoreline and bank at the Westchester Lagoon Waterfowl Sanctuary, build a viewing platform and educate the public about this important habitat for wildlife. Located at the bottom of the Spenard Road hill at 19 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, this area is popular for birdwatching. The project is designed to improve human access, discourage waterfowl feeding, and reduce bank erosion from dogs, waterfowl and visitors.
2022	Far North Bicentennial Park Trails	Volunteers	\$ 24,000	Far North Bicentennial Park	Volunteers will work with Youth Employment in Parks crews to improve up to 7 miles of trail in Anchorage's largest urban park. Trail surfaces will be leveled, sight distances will be increased, and drainage issues will be addressed. New wayfinding signs will be installed throughout the park in necessary areas to improve visitor experience and safety.
2022	Kincaid Park Singletrack Trail Improvements	Singletrack Advocates	\$ 10,000	Kincaid Park	Singletrack Advocates (STA) will improve the mountain biking experience on three single track trails at Kincaid Park – the Bolling Alley, Good Greeff, and Mighty Bike trails. They will purchase and install up to seven prefabricated progressive bike ramps comprised of a steel structure and cedar decking surface, and make necessary trail upgrades including tread work, trail reroutes, and installing signage.
2022	Russian Jack Springs Park singletrack trails	Alaska Trails	\$ 35,000	Russian Jack Springs Park	Volunteers with Alaska Trails will work with Youth Employment in Parks crews to build beginner and intermediate level mountain bike trails in this East Anchorage park. The design will include a special skills development area, a first for Anchorage and something that the local cycling community desperately needs. The trails will also be designed to appeal to those who ride BMX and dirt jump bikes. With its connections to the Chester Creek trail and greenbelt system, and supported by a 2022 Master Plan, Russian Jack's new mountain bike trails will complement existing Nordic ski trails.

2022	Meadow Park Picnic Shelter and Accessibility Improvements	Rilke Schule German School of Arts & Sciences	\$ 15,000	Meadow Park	This project has two main goals: improve the park experience for the public and students at Polaris K-12 and Rilke Schule German School of Arts & Sciences, and gain momentum for a park bond to build ADA accessible sidewalks, parking, and a picnic shelter. Since adopting the park in 2015, volunteers with Rilke Schule have worked hard to make this park an asset to the community. These proposed improvements, will give the school & community a sheltered place to gather, parking to accommodate increased park use, & ensure residents & students have a safe route to schools through the neighborhood.
2019	Ruth Arcand Park Trail	Pacific Northern Academy	\$ 18,500	Ruth Arcand Park	Teachers and staff with Pacific Northern Academy celebrated the completion of a new nature trail through Ruth Arcand Park. The new trail marked the completion of a challenge grant originally awarded in the 2017 cycle. The new Ruth Arcand Trail connects with this trail system and runs from Spring Hill Elementary and Hanshew Middle School to a pedestrian underpass under Lake Otis. The trail was completed in July of 2019 by crews with Youth Employment in Parks. Before their work began, crews carefully surveyed the forest floor to create a low-grade trail that would be more accessible for individuals using wheelchairs and mobility difficulties.
2019	Centennial Park Eagle Scout Project	Eagle Scout	\$ 2,175	Centennial Park	This project installed new campsite signs at one of the only campgrounds in the Anchorage Bowl. Eagle Scout replaced identification plates for campsites and fixed informational signs at the
2019	Far North Bicentennial Park Sled Dog Trail Safety Signage	Alaska Sled Dog Racing Association	\$ 2,243	Far North Bicentennial Park	The Alaska Sled Dog Racing Association (ASDRA) provided new signage in Far North Bicentennial Park to clearly delineate which trails are designated for mushers. In October 2019 ASDRA volunteers ordered new signs and organized volunteer installation days. Volunteers used their own equipment to drill holes for sign posts and install them.
2019	Rabbit Creek Park Trail Improvements	Volunteer	\$ 40,000	Rabbit Creek Park	A community member and YEP teens transformed a popular social trail into a permanent gravel trail complete with new signs, dog waste disposal stations, benches, and landscape improvements. The project is a safe route to school for students attending Rabbit Creek Elementary and South High School.
2019	Chester Creek Single Track Safety Signage	South Addition Community Council	\$ 5,000	Chester Creek Trail	Anchorage's newest single-track trail near Valley of the Moon Park will receive new signage in summer 2022. South Addition Community Council Vice President organized several successful volunteer events to remove invasive chokecherry/Mayday tree/European Bird Cherry/Prunus padus on the Chester Creek Trail.

2019	Folker Park Reflexology Path	Alaska Reflexology Association	\$ 21,000	Folker Park	Volunteers with the Alaska Reflexology Association (AKRA) raised more than \$40,000 for the project, including one \$20,000 donation. It is one of the only public therapeutic reflexology paths in the world, with a unique artistic design. This project generated one of the highest on record volunteer matches, with more than \$50,000 of volunteer time logged in 2019 and 2020. The volunteer power leveraged a matching grant from AARP to install music equipment in the park as well. Phase 1 construction of Folker Park has completely transformed the once-neglected UMed Park into an inviting space for neighbors, students, and medical patients in the community. Physical and occupational therapists bring their clients to the area to take advantage of the park's theme as an "intergenerational health and healing park."
2019	Taku Lake Park Skatepark Renovation and Expansion		\$ 40,000	Taku Lake Skate Park	Owners of South Anchorage's Blue & Gold Board Shop, assembled an amazing team of skating advocates to help raise funds for renovating the skate park. With the addition of other funding sources, the park will be transformed into a 5-8,000 ft concrete skatepark at the same site as the current equipment.
2019	Chanshtnu Muldoon Park Food Forest and Community Garden	Volunteer	\$ 29,115	Chanshtnu Muldoon Park	The Food Forest and Community Garden continues a Challenge Grant awarded in 2017 cycle. Volunteers grafted 39 fruit trees and cultivated 120 shrubs that were installed in 2021 with more than 100 volunteers and a summer of events. Youth Employment in Parks helped build a trail and install wheelchair-friendly community garden plots.
2019	Moen Park Exercise Equipment	Volunteer	\$ 20,000	Moen Park	A park neighbor organized volunteer clean up and trail maintenance events and purchased new adult fitness equipment in Moen Park.
2019	Bonnie Cusack Memorial Rink Center Upgrades	Anchorage Skate Club	\$ 40,000	Bonnie Cusack Memorial Outdoor Rink Center	Anchorage Skate Club secured approval and support from surrounding community councils for much needed security and landscaping upgrades to the Bonnie Cusack Memorial Rink Center. Security fencing is installed. Volunteers organized tree planting and landscaping upgrades to the rinks entrance and parking lot to meet their cash
2019	Spenard Beach Park Improvements	Spenard and Turnagain Community Councils	\$ 10,000	Spenard Beach Park	Spenard and Turnagain Community Councils (SCC and TCC) teamed up to improve this favorite spot for tourists and neighbors to watch the activities at the busiest floatplane base in the world. Volunteer days at the park will supplement their cash match. In summer of 2022 look for new benches, picnic tables and trash cans at this lakeside park popular with birders and people walking the loop around the lake.
2019	Girdwood Lower Iditarod National Historic Trail	Girdwood Trails Committee	\$ 5,000	Girdwood	The Girdwood Trails Committee led in the completion of the Girdwood Lower Iditarod NHT from the Girdwood valley entrance to Crow Pass Trail. Phase 2 segment was approximately 1/3 of a mile and improved the section of trail from Ruane Rd to Karolius Road. This project will help to transform a social trail into a more accessible path for users. Completed work will also improve sightlines, drainage, and create a new hardpacked trail surface.

2019	Woodside (Eastchester) Park Improvements	Fairview Community Council	\$ 17,000	Eastchester Park	Fairview Community Council made several improvements at Woodside or Eastchester Park to provide a unique "Fairview neighborhood identity" for the park. The neighborhood raised funds and organized volunteer events to support sprucing up the park through aesthetic improvements including artful visual wraps for utility boxes and tree plantings.
2019	Free Little Libraries in Parks	Best Beginnings	\$ 3,500	Multiple Parks	Best Beginnings is embarking on a pilot project to install new free little libraries in parks throughout Anchorage. A Little Free Library is a "take a book, return a book" free book exchange. Anyone may take a book or bring a book to share. The officially registered little free libraries would be stocked twice annually, geared towards children under the age of 5.
2017	Fairview Park Improvements	Fairview Community Council	\$ 8,518	Fairview Lions Park	The Fairview Community Council and Anchorage Community Land Trust worked with neighbors to improve Fairview Park landscaping, amenities, and art.
2017	Folker Park Fitness Equipment	Friends of Folker Park	\$ 12,500	Folker Park	Friends of Folker Park and Providence Horizon House leveraged the voter-approved park bond to raise additional funds for accessible fitness equipment at Anchorage's first intergenerational health and healing park, located in the U-med district.
2017	Hostetler Park Renovations Victims for Justice	Victims for Justice	\$ 10,000	Hostetler Park	Victims for Justice and the Anchorage Downtown Rotary built a safe and accessible pathway to the memorial and improved the park for visitors. This sweet memorial park in the heart of Downtown honors victims of violent crimes.
2017	Whisper Faith Kovach Memorial Park	Whisper Faith Kovach Enhancement Committee	\$ 13,000	Whisper Faith Kovach Memorial Park	Neighbors and friends of Whisper Faith Kovach Memorial Park are leveraging the public's recent municipal bond support for playground safety enhancements and a fenced dog park with tree plantings and park amenities to increase the community feel of the park.
2017	Bartlett High Swimming Pool Timing System	Central Area Swimming	\$ 5,000	Bartlett High School	Central Area Swimming installed a new timing system and scoreboard for Bartlett Pool. The new equipment at Alaska's only 50 meter Olympic-sized pool will bring it into compliance with competitive USA Swimming regulations for the 4,000 swimmers and athletes who compete there.
2017	Dave Rose Park Cricket	Alaska Cricket Association	\$ 20,000	Dave Rose Park	The Alaska Cricket Association helped design and construct a permanent home and pitch for Kilikiti (Samoan Cricket) at Dave Rose
2017	Girdwood Skate Park Renovation	Friends of the Girdwood Skate Park	\$ 5,000	Girdwood Skate Park	Friends of Girdwood Skate Park and the City of Girdwood rebuilt the Half Pipe Ramp, built a storage closet, an information kiosk, and added safety features to the existing ramps in the park.
2017	South Anchorage Sports Park: Radio Control Offroad Racetrack	Anchorage Radio Operated Auto Racing Association	\$ 10,000	South Anchorage Sports Complex	The Anchorage Radio Operated Auto Racing Association rebuilt a radio control offroad racetrack facility with lighting at South Anchorage Sports Park.
2017	McPhee Community Gardens + Gardens at Bragaw: Signage	Boy Scout Troop #214	\$ 1,500	McPhee Community Garden	Boy Scout Troop #214, with leadership from troop members built and installed wooden garden plot markers for the McPhee Community Gardens at Davis Park and the Gardens at Bragaw.

2017	Muldoon Town Square Park Community Garden	Northeast Community Council Park Committee	\$ 24,000	Chanshtnu Muldoon Community Garden and Orchard	The Northeast Community Council Park committee-built garden beds installed fences and created signage for a new community garden space and orchard at East Anchorage's first "food forest" at Chanshtnu Muldoon Park.
2017	Far North Bicentennial Park: Signage for Nature Preserve	Volunteer	\$ 750	Far North Bicentennial Park	A park neighbor led an effort to add signage for a quiet nature preserve within Far North Bicentennial Park.
2017	Girdwood Beaver Pond Trail Work	Girdwood Trails Committee	\$ 8,250	Girdwood	The Girdwood Trails Committee improved a 1/2-mile rough drainage section of the Beaver Pond Trail, the non-motorized trail which connects the Bird to Gird trail along Turnagain Arm with Crow Creek
2017	Hillside Park Singletrack Expansion	Singletrack Advocates	\$ 10,000	Hillside Park Trail System	Singletrack Advocates built an additional 6 miles of one-directional singletrack bike trail that will interconnect with the existing Hillside STA trail system. This adds 2.7 miles of advanced trails and 3.3 of
2017	Ruth Arcand Park: Northwest Corner	Pacific Northern Academy	\$ 20,000	Ruth Arcand Park	Pacific Northern Academy and neighbors installed a trailhead marker and built a multi-use loop trail and amenities in the northwest corner of Ruth Arcand Park.
2017	Sand Lake Park Lakeside Learning Lab	Sand Lake Elementary	\$ 20,000	Sand Lake Park	Sand Lake Elementary parents, teachers and students worked closely with landscape architects and the Schools on Trails Committee to design and build a Japanese-themed outdoor lakeside learning lab at Sand Lake Park, which is adjacent to their school.
2017	Wolverine Park Learning Lab	Campbell Elementary School	\$ 20,000	Wolverine Park	Campbell Elementary School students in partnership with Schools on Trails will bring educational improvements and trail upgrades to nearby Wolverine Park. Campbell is the first STEM elementary school in Anchorage, and the park will have an outdoor learning lab for hands-on nature education opportunities.
2016	Albrecht Utility Building	Anchorage Sports Association	\$ 18,000	Chuck Albrecht Softball Complex	Anchorage Sports Association is constructing a new 900 square foot restroom, vending, and storage building at the fields serving 3,500 slow-pitch players and spectators.
2015	Kincaid Ski Holders	Eagle Scout	\$ 856	Kincaid Park	Eagle Scout candidateconstructed Nordic ski holders at Kincaid Park.
2015	Fishing Line Collection	Anchorage Waterways Council	\$ 1,500	Multiple Parks	Anchorage Waterways Council built and installed collection stations for used fishing line at various fishing spots in parks around Anchorage.
2015	Ship Creek Wayfinding	Anchorage Community Land Trust	\$ 30,000	Ship Creek Trail	Anchorage Community Land Trust was awarded a grant to work with the Muni to install wayfinding signs in Mountain View to direct people to the Ship Creek trail, Davis Park, and the connection to the Glenn Highway bike trail to Eagle River.
2015	Cusack Warming Shack	Anchorage Skate Club	\$ 2,750	Bonnie Cusack Memorial Outdoor Rink Center	Anchorage Skate Club renovated the warming shack at the Bonnie Cusack Memorial Outdoor Rink Center at Chester Creek Sports Complex.
2015	Singletrack Improvm.	Single Track Advocates	\$ 10,000	Kincaid Park	Singletrack Advocates used volunteer crews to maintain and improve bike singletrack trails at Hillside and Kincaid Park.
2015	Far North Bridges	Alaskan Sled Dog Racing Association	\$ 4,150	Far North Bicentennial Park	The Alaskan Sled Dog Racing Association used volunteer crews to upgrade bridges in Far North Bicentennial Park.

2015	Scenic Foothills Trail	The Scenic Foothills Trails User Group	\$ 20,000	Far North Bicentennial Park	The Scenic Foothills Trails User Group worked with University of Alaska engineering students to design a trail to connect the Scenic Foothills neighborhood to Far North Bicentennial Park. This challenge grant led to this project getting on the AMATS transportation list and to a voter-approved park bond to build the trail.
2015	Russian Jack Learn. Labs	Nunaka Valley Elementary School	\$ 21,050	Russian Jack Springs Park	The Anchorage Schools on Trails Program worked with landscape architects and children to construct learning labs at Russian Jack Springs Park near the connection to Nunaka Valley Elementary School.
2015	Chugach Mutt Mitt	Eagle Scout	\$ 1,400	Chugach Foothills Park	An Eagle Scout candidate installed a dog waste collection station at Chugach Foothills Park.
2015	Cuddy PA System	Alaska Speedskating Club	\$ 3,911	Cuddy Family Midtown Park	The Alaska Speedskating Club installed a public address and speaker system at Cuddy Family Midtown Park.
2015	Girdwood Tennis	Girdwood Tennis Committee	\$ 10,000	Girdwood	The Girdwood Tennis Committee rehabilitated the Girdwood tennis court.
2015	Iditarod Trail	Girdwood Trails Committee	\$ 17,882	Girdwood	The Girdwood Trails Committee improved tread and drainage on a portion of the Historic Iditarod Trail.
2015	Westchester Nature Trail	Volunteer	\$ 40,000	Westchester Lagoon	The Schools on Trails Program volunteer worked with landscape architects to rehabilitate the Westchester Lagoon Nature Trail and improve it to facilitate instruction along the trail.
2015	Barbara Street Park	Eagle Scout	\$ 15,500	Barbara Street Park	Eagle Scout candidate and park neighbor coordinated volunteer events to revitalize Barbara Street Park by painting, cleaning, and installing new toddler play equipment.
2015	Benches for All	Intrinsic Landscapes LLC	\$ 21,700	Tony Knowles Coastal Trail	Intrinsic Landscapes LLC designed and installed three sculptural communal seating areas at mile 2.2 on the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail.
2015	Bike Counter	Bike Anchorage	\$ 30,000	Westchester Lagoon	Nonprofit bike advocates with Bike Anchorage volunteered and raised the match to have a system installed to count the number of cyclists passing through Westchester Lagoon on the Lanie Fleischer Chester Creek Trail. The artistic bike totem helps track data to get federal financial support for active transportation infrastructure investment.
2013	Kincaid Single Track Trails	Single Track Advocates	\$ 20,000	Kincaid Park	During the summer of 2013, contractor Ptarmigan Ptrails and volunteers worked together to build 7.5 miles of new singletrack trails at Kincaid Park. By planning and participating in 24 separate volunteer events, 268 total volunteers worked 2,493 combined hours, ultimately hand-finishing the new trails.
2013	Arctic Benson Park Improvements	Volunteer	\$ 40,000	Arctic Benson Dog Park	Neighbors and 175 volunteers participated in the Arctic Benson Fix-It days. A new fenced dog park was created, and the playground was upgraded. They plan to work with Parks & Recreation planners this winter to finalize further improvement plans for the summer of 2015, including improving accessible pathways in the park.
2013	Gardens at Bragaw Gazebo	Anchorage Community Land Trust	\$ 3,000	Bragaw Community Garden	During the spring of 2013, ACLT and community member partnered with an architecture firm, KPB, to develop designs, prepare electrical documents and secure permits for the Gazebo project.



2013	Lloyd Steele Soccer Field Upgrades	AK Rush Soccer Club	\$ 20,000	Lloyd Steele Park	AK Rush Soccer Club recruited 132 volunteers to clean up the neighborhood park. Future work will include meetings with Parks & Recreation to finalize improvement plans for the soccer field, including adding maintenance equipment, shrubs, garbage cans, and mutt mitt dispensers.
2013	Five Parks Tennis Court Improvements	Alaska Tennis Association	\$ 15,723	Multiple Parks	Alaska Tennis Association will provide maintenance and resurfacing to tennis courts in five parks across anchorage. Parks include Delaney Park, Forsythe Park, Taku Lake Park, Scenic Park, and Pop Carr Park.
2013	Westchester Lagoon ArtScape	Alaskans for Litter Prevention and Recycling	\$ 20,000	Westchester Lagoon	Alaskans for Litter Prevention and Recycling worked with park planners to finalize the design of a kinetic sculpture at the Westchester Lagoon confluence of the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail and the Chester Creek Trail. ALPAR used predominantly recycled materials in the design of the plaza surrounding the sculpture, and installation of a recycling bin is planned. Through cash, in-kind and volunteer contributions raised over \$120,000 in match!
2013	Mutt Mitt Station Installation	Alaska Waterways Council	\$ 550	Bancroft Park	The Anchorage Waterways Council and the Campbell Park Community Council installed three new Mutt-Mitt stations, one on the Campbell Creek Trail by Shelikof Street, another near Waldron Lake, and one at Arnold Muldoon Park.
2013	Storytracks	Best Beginnings	\$ 7,700	Cuddy Family Midtown Park	Best Beginnings developed a logo, purchased Corex panels, researched and identified laminating options, and selected ten books reflecting different seasons, demographics, age, and outdoor experiences. Seven of those books have been disassembled and laminated to become StoryTRACKS, with the final three in progress. The program launched on July 11, 2013, at Cuddy Family Midtown Park. From launch through October 2013, 39 more StoryTRACKS events were held around Anchorage with many more to come.
2013	Little Dipper Park Viewing Area	Eagle Scout	\$ 6,000	Little Dipper Park	An Eagle Scout led 20 volunteers in building and installing a platform in Little Dipper Park, adding two benches to facilitate viewing of the Chugach Mountains.
2013	Refugee Fresh International Gardens (FIG) "Re-Fresh" Project	Catholic Social Services	\$ 2,100	McPhee Community Garden	Catholic Social Services Immigration Assistance & Immigration Services worked with community and refugee volunteers, for a combined 103 hours, to replace a dilapidated plastic shed with a larger wooden shed and fix two areas of fencing at the McPhee Gardens in Davis Park.
2013	Russian Jack Golf Course Upgrades	First Tee of Alaska	\$ 20,000	Russian Jack Springs Park	First Tee of Alaska replaced the tee boxes and greens at Russian Jack Golf Course. They also placed yardage markers and tee box signs. With the help of 12 volunteers and a significant amount of in-kind donations, the group raised over \$30,000 in match!
2013	Old Hermit Park Woodfalls	Fish Creek Working Group	\$ 5,741	Old Hermit Park	The Fish Creek Working Group of Spenard neighbors collected tree trunks to be used in construction of an earthworks type sculpture. This winter, they will perform 3D modeling. Construction of the ephemeral sculpture "Woodfalls" will occur in Summer 2015.

2013	Kincaid Kiosk	Eagle Scout	\$ 4,000	Kincaid Park	An Eagle Scout led 23 volunteers in tree limbing, removal of signs, painting, and landscaping to refurbish the informational kiosk at the Jodhpur trailhead. In Summer 2014, he installed a boulder bench near the kiosk.
2013	Girdwood Mosaics	Girdwood Art Institute	\$ 11,000	Girdwood	The Girdwood Art Institute performed mosaic tile design, purchased materials, and began installation of mosaic tiles on garden planters. In winter, the Institute held workshops for community members to help with the mosaic "chess piece" designs.
2013	Girdwood Abe's Trail	Volunteers	\$ 4,000	Girdwood	In Summer 2013, with the help of contractor Ptarmigan trails, neighbors, and their volunteers, cut and removed downed trees on Abe's trail, trimming branches and repairing a short bridge in the process. This cleared the way for a Youth Employment in Parks crew to finish rehabilitating Abe's trail later in the summer.
2013	Connors Bog Kiosk	Eagle Scout	\$ 823	Connors Bog Dog Park	An Eagle Scout decoratively cut, framed and powder-coated the posts for a new kiosk, then installed them at Connors Bog.
2013	Roosevelt Park Swing	Volunteer	\$ 12,500	Rosevelt Park	Parn neighbor organized 42 volunteers to participate in a fix-it, cleaning up the park and completing the installation of the swingset.
2013	Moen Park	Volunteer	\$ 40,000	Moen Park	Park neighbors organized a brush clearing day for 135 volunteers and met with neighbors and park planners. In Summer 2014, a Youth Employment in Parks crew completed a soft-surface trail in the park, and plans were made for construction of a new playground to be completed in Summer 2015.
2013	Spencer Loop	Nordic Ski Association of Anchorage	\$ 20,000	Far North Bicentennial Park	The Nordic Ski Association of Anchorage flattened, repaired, and rebuilt this popular 4.5 km loop. The group was able to obtain an Alaska State Legislative Grant along with various other cash and in-kind contributions that resulted in a match of over \$120,000!
2013	Didlika Park	Polynesian Association of Alaska	\$ 4,050	Didlika Park	The Polynesian Association of Alaska organized three volunteer clean up days and various landscape improvements were completed at the park.
2012	Davis Park Ballfield Revitalization	Mountain View Lions Club	\$ 50,000	Davis Park	Davis Park received a D on its park report card. In 2012, the Mountain View Lions Club and the Polar Little League helped make many improvements to the park. Three baseball fields were renovated, a bullpen was added, and repair work was done to the fencing and dugouts.
2012	North Russian Jack Springs Park Playground	Anchorage School District	\$ 50,000	Russian Jack Springs Park	The Anchorage School District was awarded a Challenge Grant to improve North Russian Jack Springs Park in honor of Superintendent Carol Comeau's retirement. Volunteers gathered at North Russian Jack Springs Park to work on the already existing playground and prepare the nearby area for the installation of a polar bear themed destination playground. Volunteers shoveled and raked woodchips onto the area around the playground and cleared brush from the area to improve visibility. Crews removed the run-down tennis courts and leveled the ground in the area.

2010	Westchester Disc Golf Course Improvements	Alaska Disc Golf Association	\$ 30,000	Westchester Lagoon	Alaska Disc Golf Association worked to remove and relocate course hardware, and to improve pedestrian walkways, signage, and kiosks. In the summer of 2012, Youth Employment in the Parks crews completed the unfinished portions of this project.
2010	Taku Lake Skate Park Improvements	Eagle Scout	\$ 5,000	Taku Lake Skate Park	As part of an Eagle Scout Project, volunteers installed new quarter-pipe equipment at Taku Lake Skate Park.
2010	Sullivan Arena Hockey Rink Improvements	Scotty Gomez Foundation	\$ 50,000	Sullivan Arena Hockey Rink	The Scotty Gomez Foundation made improvements to hockey rinks in the Sullivan Arena Hockey Rink for use by children's programs.
2010	Minnesota Park Improvements	Minnesota Park Committee	\$ 28,000	Minnesota Park	The Minnesota Park Committee led this project, which involved minor landscape improvements, painting benches, and resurfacing of the tennis courts. New ping pong tables are the last phase of this neighborhood work.
2010	Lynn Ary Park Hendrickson Tennis Court	Volunteer	\$ 40,000	Lynn Ary Park	The project improved the amenities at the tennis courts at Lynn Ary Park by repaving the court surface. The tennis courts were at least 35 years old with tree roots growing up from the asphalt creating cracks and uneven surfacing.
2010	Lynn Ary Park Ball Field Improvements	Anchorage West Little League	\$ 20,000	Lynn Ary Park	Anchorage West Little League enhanced the little league fields with repairs to the ball field fencing.
2010	Little Dipper Park Improvements	Eagle Scout	\$ 5,000	Little Dipper Park	An Eagle Scout organized a park fix-it in this park during which a number of improvements were made.
2010	Lekisch Trail Repair Project	Nordic Ski Association of Anchorage	\$ 12,000	Kincaid Park	The Nordic Ski Association of Anchorage worked with the project team to restore the Andrew Lekisch Trail in Kincaid Park to the desired profile, re-vegetate the back-slopes, and trail surface.
2010	Kincaid Singletrack Trails	Single Track Advocates	\$ 20,000	Kincaid Park	In 2010, Singletrack Advocates conducted a community discussion surrounding their proposal to improve singletrack trails in Kincaid Park for mountain biking use. Youth Employment in Parks teens worked with the STA crew to assist with trail construction.
2010	Huffman Park Improvements	Safe Routes to School Program	\$ 14,000	Huffman Park	The Safe Route to School program, Trinity Church, and Huffman Elementary held two community workdays to fix up Huffman Park. Volunteers assembled to trim back trees and brush, pull invasive Devil's Club, and generally clean up the park. Professionals were hired to resurface the trails in the park and then remove the old workout circuit equipment.
2010	Government Hill Hedge Rejuvenation	Government Hill Community Council	\$ 1,370	Suzan Nightingale Memorial Park	Government Hill Community Council enhanced landscaping in Suzan Nightingale Memorial Park.
2010	De La Vega Fields Irrigation Project	Anchorage District Soccer Federation	\$ 50,000	De La Vega Fields	The Municipality of Anchorage, the Anchorage District Soccer Federation, and APF collaborated to upgrade the irrigation main hydrant at the De La Vega fields and to install an automated irrigation system to improve turf conditions and allow for more efficient
2010	Thelma Buchholdt Memorial Picnic Shelter	Filipino Community of Anchorage	\$ 20,000	Woodland Park	The Filipino Community of Anchorage installed a picnic shelter in Woodland Park as a memorial to Thelma Buchholdt, a lawyer, mom and Alaska State Representative. She was the first female Filipino American legislator in Alaska and the United States.

2010	Revitalization of C Street Community Garden	Volunteers	\$ 20,000	C Street Community Gardens	A project team including community members and local nonprofits collaborated on the design and ideas for improvements to the C Street community gardens. In the garden itself, new, taller fences were installed, and the paths between the plots were redone.
2010	New Kiosk at Ben Crawford Park	Anchorage Women's Club	\$ 3,000	Ben Crawford Park	The Anchorage Women's Club partnered with an Eagle Scout Troop to install historical information kiosk at Ben Crawford Park.
2010	Anchorage Senior Center Trail Connection	Volunteers	\$ 6,000	Chester Creek Trail	Volunteers worked to build a walker and wheelchair-friendly accessible trail between the Anchorage Senior Center and the Chester Creek Greenbelt. Crews grubbed out the trail route, removed tree roots and stumps and hauled more than 300 tons of gravel to create a disabled-accessible trail connection. Volunteers from the Senior Center and REI worked alongside crews to create this positive recreation opportunity.
2008	Prevent the Poop	Anchorage Waterways Council	\$ 7,500	Ballfields	People & Pets in Public Spaces and the Anchorage Waterways Council worked to create a community solution to the problem of dog waste in sports fields.
2008	Art in the Parks	Alaska Design Forum	\$ 15,000	Delaney Park, Frontierland Park, Elderberry Park, Anchorage Museum	The Alaska Design Forum purchased event lighting for a winter temporary art exhibition in Delaney Park, Frontierland Park, Elderberry Park and outside the Anchorage Museum. Thirteen interactive art installations using snow, ice and light were installed. From January - February, a northern FREEZE conference in Anchorage, with more than 16,000 people participating.
2008	Girdwood Skate Park Renovation	Volunteers	\$ 30,000	Girdwood Park	Existing skate park equipment was replaced with new obstacles designed to withstand the rainforest environment and provide a safe riding surface for skate boarders and BMX bikers.
2008	Whisper Faith Kovach Memorial Park Improvements	Eagle Scout	\$ 5,000	Whisper Faith Kovach Memorial Park	A new bike rack and benches were installed at this park as part of an Eagle Scout project.
2008	Tanglewood Park Improvements	Volunteers	\$ 27,500	Tanglewood Park	A boardwalk was constructed in this park allowing this wetland habitat to serve as an outdoor classroom without disturbing the fragile bog and avoiding nesting areas.
2008	Singletrack Trails Project	Singletrack Advocates	\$ 7,500	Far North Bicentennial Park	Singletrack Advocates built soft-surface, narrow trails for mountain bikers and foot traffic in Far North Bicentennial Park.
2008	Bear Valley Neighborhood Park	Bear Valley Community Council	\$ 14,275	Bear Track Park	The Bear Valley Community Council worked to establish this area's first neighborhood park, now named "Bear Track Park."
2008	Kincaid Trail Signage Project	Volunteers	\$ 12,000	Kincaid Park	This project was a part of a system-wide sign upgrade within Kincaid Park.
2008	Reflection Point Improvement	Anchorage Rotary	\$ 35,000	Kincaid Park	Anchorage Rotary transformed an old WWII bunker into a lookout point in Kincaid Park.
2008	Jodhpur Motocross Improvements	Volunteers	\$ 20,000	Kincaid Park	Electricity and safety lighting were installed at the Jodhpur Motocross area of Kincaid Park.
2008	Scotty Gomez Hockey Rink Rehabilitation	Volunteers	\$ 40,000	Scotty Gomez Hockey Rink	This neighborhood hockey rink was rehabilitated for year-round use.
2008	Nichols Park Reclamation	Volunteers	\$ 14,685	Nichols Park	Nichols Park was transformed from use as a ball field to a neighborhood park.

2008	Far North Bicentennial Park Bridge	Alaskan Sled Dog & Racing Association	\$ 3,000	Far North Bicentennial Park	The Alaskan Sled Dog & Racing Association worked to replace aged wood on five bridges and add side rails to two bridges in Far North Bicentennial Park.
2008	Baxter Bog Park	East Anchorage volunteers	\$ 40,000	Baxter Bog Park	The Iden-Selkregg family and East Anchorage community members raised funds to develop the Alicia Iden Nature Trail in the Baxter Bog Park. The East Anchorage trail honors Alicia Iden who died after battling cancer in 2005.
2008	Delaney Park Tennis Courts	Alaska Tennis Association	\$ 35,000	Delaney Park	The Alaska Tennis Association resurfaced seven tennis courts in Delaney Park and improved surrounding park amenities such as benches, nets, wind screens, garbage cans, and the hitting wall. The vivid blue courts, bordered by crisp white lines and newly painted green out-of-bounds areas, are modeled after the U.S. Open courts.
2006	United Way 50th Anniversary Day of Caring Project	Fairview Community Council	\$ 35,000	Fairview Lions Park, Fairbanks Park, Anchorage Senior Center	Fairview Community Council partnered with United Way of Anchorage to host a Day of Caring event to restore and enhance three neighborhood parks and the Recreation Center in Fairview. The two-day event brought 600 volunteers together to help on more than 30 projects in Fairview Lions Park, Fairbanks Park, and the Anchorage Senior Center.
2006	Tree & Shrub Plantings	Anchorage TREErific	\$ 37,000	Abbott Loop Park, Lynn Ary Park, Turpin Park, Fairview Lions Park, Meadow Creek Park	Anchorage TREErific planted trees and shrubs at Abbott Loop Park, Lynn Ary Park, Turpin Park, Fairview Lions Park, and Meadow Creek Park. Volunteers have continued to water and maintain these trees to ensure the success of their initial project investments.
2006	Girdwood Playground	Girdwood Playground Committee	\$ 20,000	Girdwood Playground	The Girdwood Playground Committee installed a playground at Girdwood Park on May 31, 2006.
2006	Bancroft Park Playground	Anchorage East Rotary	\$ 6,370	Bancroft Park	Anchorage East Rotary installed playground equipment for three to five-year olds (purchased in a previous year) in Bancroft Park. They held five volunteer workdays.
2006	Richter Trail Reconstruction & Extension	Nordic Ski Association of Anchorage	\$ 5,287	Hillside Park Trail System	The Nordic Ski Association of Anchorage reconstructed the Richter Trail to provide a classic-only trail loop in the Hillside trail system. The new connector trails from the Bog Trail to the Ridge Loop have been completed.
2006	Rabbit Creek Trail	Rabbit Creek Community Council	\$ 1,193	Rabbit Creek Trail	The Rabbit Creek Community Council and the Anchorage Trails & Greenways Coalition established a trail system in the Rabbit Creek Greenbelt. Volunteers used this grant to improve trail safety.
2006	Sand Lake Dock	Anchorage Rowing Association	\$ 5,000	Sand Lake Park	The Anchorage Rowing Association purchased and installed a floating dock, 7'6" wide by 45' long, angling off the existing dock ramp. This new dock allows rowers to put their boats in the lake from a dock, rather than by wading into the water.
2006	Williwaw Park	Russian Jack Community Council	\$ 30,000	Williwaw Park	Russian Jack Community Council installed playground equipment in Williwaw Park on June 22, 2006. This grant provided funds for landscaping and a trail through the park.
2006	Jacobson Park Trail	Rogers Park Community Council	\$ 519	Jacobson Park	Rogers Park Community Council improved a trail in Jacobson Park for pedestrian use with the help of an Eagle Scout.

2006	Campbell Creek Trail	Firefighter's Union Local 1264	\$ 1,200	Campbell Creek Trail	Firefighters' Union Local 1264 partnered with MOA's Animal Care Shelter to install four Dog Stations along the 2.5-mile Campbell Creek Trail corridor. Additionally, wildflower seeds were distributed along the trail. Verna Pratt, the Alaska author of many books on wildflowers was the expert consultant on the project.
2006	Bartlett High Swimming Pool Scoreboard	Central Area Swimming	\$ 3,500	Bartlett High School	Central Area Swimming installed a new LED scoreboard for Bartlett High School Swimming Pool.
2006	Abbott Loop Park Ballfield Improvements	Simonian Little League	\$ 35,000	Abbott Loop Park Ballfield	Simonian Little League installed an irrigation system in the ballfields at Abbott Loop Park. As part of the ballfield improvement project, they also erected fences, installed batting cages, storage units, ran electrical service, improved and relocated bleachers, and the temporary concession building.
2006	Quiyana Park Improvements	Winterberry Charter School Parents Guild	\$ 19,000	Quiyana Park	The Winterberry Charter School Parents Guild made improvements to this small downtown park including visitor amenities, irrigation infrastructure, and play items to make the park usable and welcoming to visitors and residents. Volunteers planted a living willow fence, weeded, and replanted the beds along 1st Avenue, added new picnic tables, a garbage can, boulders and play areas.
2006	Peratrovich Park	Peratrovich Park Project Committee	\$ 20,000	Peratrovich Park	Park neighbors helped raise funds to install a statue titled Flight of the Raven, by Roy Peratrovich Jr., in Roy and Elizabeth Peratrovich Park.
2006	Fairbanks Park Improvements	Volunteers	\$ 20,000	Fairbanks Park	Volunteers expanded the community pavilion, created a new community garden, planted new trees and perennials, refurbished the volleyball and multi-use field, and much, much more. The community garden and pavilion will become focal points for the neighborhood, bringing people together and fostering stronger neighbor relationships.
2006	Didlika Park Improvements	Turnagain neighbors	\$ 22,000	Didlika Park	Turnagain neighbors, community council volunteers, and an Eagle Scout worked together to improve this pocket park by reestablishing grass and foliage and adding a historical sign and art element.
2006	Centennial Rose Garden	Alaska Rose Society	\$ 5,000	Centennial Rose Garden	The Alaska Rose Society improved the Centennial Rose Garden in Delaney Park by installing 9 new beds. A water faucet was installed, and underground irrigation was reinstalled. Heavy-duty edging was installed around the pruned rose hedge. As a result of these improvements, maintenance on the beds is easier.
2006	Brown's Point Park	Government Hill Community Council	\$ 2,000	Brown's Point Park	Government Hill Community Council removed a section of parking lot pavement and replaced it with grass, installed parking barrier boulders, reseeded lawn areas, and repainted the totem pole. Landscaping was also added around the existing lilac trees.

