Federal Grant Money Available for Recreational Projects


The LWCF State and Local Assistance Program of the National Park Service (NPS) is intended to preserve and enhance opportunities for public outdoor recreation. Various levels of local government including cities, towns, counties, and school districts are eligible to apply for assistance and sponsor projects. Funds may be used for the development of facilities and/or acquisition of land for public outdoor recreation use. The program requires that sponsors commit to a minimum 50% share of total project costs, and maintain funded sites as public outdoor recreation areas in perpetuity. The New Hampshire Division of Parks and Recreation administers the program within the state.

Potential applicants must submit an “Intent to Apply” form with the Division by 4:00 PM, June 28, 2019. Forms, which provide program administrators with basic project information, are available on nhstateparks.org under Community Recreation. The content of the submitted forms along with project site inspections will be evaluated for eligibility. Potential applicants whose project proposals are determined to be eligible will receive an invitation to apply including full application packets and further instructions.

Under Grant Round-Twenty-Nine, eleven municipal projects were selected totaling $1,295,603.50 in funding requests.

About the Division of Parks and Recreation
The Division of Parks and Recreation is comprised of the Bureau of Park Operations, Bureau of Historic Sites, Bureau of Trails, and Cannon Mountain. The Division manages 93 properties, including state parks, beaches, campgrounds, historic sites, trails, waysides, and natural areas. The Division of Parks and Recreation is one of three divisions of the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources. To learn more, visit www.nhstateparks.org, follow NH State Parks on Facebook and Twitter, or call 603/271-3556.

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