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Projects in Adams County

Othello **Grant Awarded: \$100,000** **Buying a Larger and Faster Lawn Mower**

The Othello Public Works Department will use this grant to buy a larger and faster lawn mower to help take care of the city's fifty acres of parks. Currently, it takes three staff, with three smaller mowers, to complete the mowing weekly. The new mower mows about seventeen acres an hour, requiring only one staff member to complete the ground maintenance. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1572)

Projects in Asotin County

Clarkston **Grant Awarded: \$62,000** **Replacing Park Maintenance Equipment and Structures**

The City of Clarkston will use this grant to replace two garage doors on its Beachview Park Maintenance Shop and an unsafe trailer for transporting lawnmowers and tractors. The City also will update its twenty-year-old backup mower and buy a small tractor for use in park maintenance. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1615)

Projects in Benton County

Benton City **Grant Awarded: \$100,000** **Maintaining Tennis Courts**

Benton City will use this grant to repair tennis courts in Archie Borden Park. The courts were damaged in a vehicle accident in 2021 and have remained closed. The City will repair the fence and drainage system and resurface the courts to provide a smoother and safer playing experience. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1633)

Port of Kennewick **Grant Awarded: \$82,375** **Repairing Clover Island Amenities**

The Port of Kennewick will use this grant to restore amenities on Clover Island, which is a sixteen-acre recreation area that includes a boardwalk, marina, boat launch, and lighthouse. The

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Port will repair the concrete and wooden boardwalk, repaint parking sign poles before rust weakens them, and replace a cracked and faded crosswalk sign, two graffiti-damaged educational sign panels, a sun-damaged display board, damaged restroom stall dividers, and toilet paper dispensers. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1546)

Prosser Buying a Lawn Mower

Grant Awarded: \$100,000

The City of Prosser will use this grant to buy a lawn mower to help maintain its twenty-seven acres of parkland. The new mower will replace an outdated pull-behind mower, which has ongoing hydraulic issues and is difficult to repair. The City also will train staff on how to use the mower safely and develop a maintenance plan for it. Finally, the City will develop a public awareness campaign to inform the public about the improvements and potential park closures during maintenance. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1632)

Projects in Chelan County

Chelan Repairing Parking Lots in Chelan Parks

Grant Awarded: \$100,000

The Chelan Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to seal cracks, repair some areas, recoat, and stripe parking lots in three of Chelan's most significant parks: Don Morse Park, the adjacent Lakeshore Marina (together comprising Chelan's public waterfront), and Lake Chelan Golf Course. The parking lots have been damaged by the sun, water, vehicle fluids, and the extreme temperature fluctuations experienced in Chelan. Ice-melting salts and snow plowing exacerbate the degradation of the asphalt surfaces. Public access of the waterfront is a rarity because most of the lakefront in the city is privately owned. An estimated two million tourists visit the Chelan Valley annually. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1536)

Eastmont Metropolitan Parks and Recreation District Resurfacing Eastmont Community Park Pathways

Grant Awarded: \$100,000

The Eastmont Metropolitan Parks and Recreation District will use this grant to resurface pathways in Eastmont Community Park. The pathways connect the park's twenty-six acres and provide access to park amenities such as pickleball courts, sports fields, an aquatic center, a splash pad, a pump park, a playground, and picnic shelters. The pathways are decades old.

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Resurfacing efforts will focus on high-traffic areas, safety hazards, and sections not accessible to people with disabilities—about 50 percent of the pathways. Visit RCO’s online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1612)

Manson Parks and Recreation District **Grant Awarded: \$100,000** **Repairing the Parking Lot in Singleton Park**

The Manson Parks and Recreation District will use this grant to repair the gravel parking lot in Singleton Park, a ten-acre, day-use park that primarily offers sports courts and fields. The parks and recreation district will fill potholes, level the gravel road and parking areas to fix access and drainage issues, and resurface high-traffic areas such as the park entrance and parking stalls for people with disabilities. The park entrance and parking lot experience significant wear and tear due to high traffic and extreme weather. Visit RCO’s online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1764)

Projects in Clallam County

Clallam County **Grant Awarded: \$90,255** **Repairing a Restroom and Buying Trail Equipment for Salt Creek Recreation Area**

Clallam County will use this grant to replace the failing roof and the water-damaged walls and insulation in a restroom that was built in 1991 for campers and visitors in the Clallam County Salt Creek Recreation Area. The repairs will allow the restroom and shower building to be open year-round. Currently, the restroom is closed in the winter. The County also will buy a tractor with boom flail mower, backhoe, bucket, and post hole attachments for maintenance along the regional Olympic Discovery Trail. The County’s current tractors are used for road corridors and often are not available and too large for use on trails. Visit RCO’s online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1760)

Forks **Grant Awarded: \$50,800** **Repairing the Tillicum Park Ballfields Restroom**

The City of Forks will use this grant to replace the original cedar shake roof and siding on the thirty-eight-year-old Tillicum Park ball field restrooms. The City will add soffits and fascia with the roof to prevent bird and yellow jacket infestations and paint the siding. The City also will replace the original restroom fixtures, such as sinks and toilets, and the single-bulb lighting. Finally, the City will replace the outside water spigots attached to the building. Visit RCO’s online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1707)

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Makah Tribe **Grant Awarded: \$53,148** **Refreshing Neah Bay Parks and Buying a Maintenance Truck**

The Makah Tribe will use this grant to buy materials to repair a playground, trails, and parking lots at Neah Bay parks and to buy a parks maintenance truck. The Tribe will buy mulch to replenish playground footings, gravel for parking lots, and cedar planks to replace degraded boards in the Cape Flattery Trail boardwalk, which was built in 1996. The truck will enable staff to haul garbage, brush, and a mower to maintain areas around playgrounds. In the summer, the trail will have five hundred hikers a day. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1569)

Projects in Columbia County

Columbia County **Grant Awarded: \$75,804** **Making Repairs at the Columbia County Golf Course and Fairgrounds**

The Columbia County Public Works Department will use this grant to buy a rough mower and accessory equipment to maintain the Columbia County Golf Course and Fairgrounds horse riding area. The County currently borrows a mower from Walla Walla Community College. The County also will replace the pumphouse roof, which was damaged by falling branches and is covered by a tarp, as well as replace the benches, ball washers, flagsticks, and cups. Finally, the County will trim the trees around buildings. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1730)

Projects in Cowlitz County

Longview **Grant Awarded: \$87,942** **Buying Park Maintenance Trucks**

The Longview Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to buy two trucks for maintenance staff to use throughout the parks system. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1639)

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Projects in Ferry County

Republic Maintaining City Parks

Grant Awarded: \$100,000

The City of Republic will use this grant to maintain its parks. Ferry County ranks as one of the least healthy and poorest counties in the state. While the community has received grants to build a skatepark, trails, and basketball and pickleball courts, the city lacks revenue to perform much-needed deferred maintenance and upgrade its established parks. Work will include seeding the baseball field and repairing sprinkler heads, park signs, and trail bridges. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1622)

Projects in Franklin County

Pasco Resurfacing Basketball Courts

Grant Awarded: \$100,000

The City of Pasco will use this grant to resurface basketball courts in Richardson, Highland, Kurtzman, and Sunny Meadows Parks. The courts are well worn and showing signs of deterioration, with cracks, rough playing surfaces, and little to no lines. The courts mostly are in older, multi-cultural neighborhoods. These parks are hubs for neighborhood play and socialization and are vital to the sense of community there. The City will fill cracks, prepare the court, and apply surfacing and lines. These repairs will reduce safety concerns and revitalize the look and feel of the courts, bringing a level of pride to the neighborhoods. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1695)

Projects in Grant County

Ephrata Upgrading Park Amenities

Grant Awarded: \$78,230

The City of Ephrata will use this grant to repair the sports complex's restroom; replace or upgrade garbage cans, picnic tables, outdated benches, and basketball backboards and rims in all city parks; and replace or upgrade the aquatic center signs, lifeguard chairs, and umbrellas. Staff have been making temporary repairs as best they can with limited resources. The City operates a 12.6-acre sports complex that hosts recreational and organized programs, the Columbia Basin Sounders soccer club, and Ephrata Middle School sports, without functioning restrooms. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1679)

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Mattawa **Grant Awarded: \$56,450** **Buying Equipment and Amenities for Hund Memorial Park**

The Town of Mattawa will use this grant to buy a box scraper, lawn mower, and an aerator to help with park maintenance as well as tables, benches, and trash cans for park visitors. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1770)

Moses Lake **\$100,000** **Repairing the Surf 'n Slide Mechanical Items**

The Moses Lake Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to repair and replace the filters and pumps at its Surf 'n Slide Waterpark, which includes a pool and lazy river feature. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1642)

Port of Mattawa **Grant Awarded: \$94,500** **Replacing the Park Maintenance Truck**

The Port of Mattawa will use this grant to replace a truck used for park maintenance. The port's current truck's transmission failed, and the truck is beyond repair. In overseeing three industrial parks and multiple recreation sites, the Port uses the truck for typical maintenance activities such as maintaining irrigation, landscaping, collecting garbage, building facilities, installing fences and gravel, doing concrete work, and transporting construction equipment. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1610)

Projects in Grays Harbor County

Aberdeen **Grant Awarded: \$100,000** **Replacing Park Structures and Buying Equipment**

The City of Aberdeen will use this grant to replace aging park structures in several parks. The city will replace the softball scoreboard, baseball outfield netting, and the yellow caps, bases, and trash cans in Pioneer Park. The City also will replace the playground chips at all playgrounds and the backstop padding at the softball fields in the Bishop Athletic Complex. Finally, the City will buy two blowers for trail maintenance, a professional paint sprayer for painting buildings and striping parking lots, and a utility trailer for hauling maintenance equipment. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1634)

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Cosmopolis **Upgrading Mill Creek Park Facilities**

Grant Awarded: \$100,000

The City of Cosmopolis will use this grant to upgrade the facilities in Mill Creek Park. The City will resurface and stripe the tennis courts, repair the fencing around the courts, and replace the rusted basketball backboard and hoop at the courts. The City also will repair the concrete steps and wooden handrail that go from the courts down to a trail to Mill Creek pond and the dam and fish ladder. The City will replace the roof on the upper restroom near the tennis courts and the worn-out porcelain toilets and urinals in the lower restroom. In addition, the City will replace the roof on the gazebo and repair or replace tables and benches there. Finally, the City will remove the overgrown brush, weeds, and trees from the trails around the pond and lay gravel as well as install directional signs. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1574)

Elma **Fixing Lights in Gladys Smith Lloyd Murray Park**

Grant Awarded: \$100,000

The City of Elma will use this grant to fix the athletic field lighting in Gladys Smith Lloyd Murray Park. Use of the fields has been reduced because of the lack of lights. A large portion of the Elma community comes together to participate in or gather at organized sporting events at these fields. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1602)

Hoquiam **Maintaining Hoquiam Playgrounds**

Grant Awarded: \$100,000

The City of Hoquiam will use this grant to repair deficient playground equipment and amenities to ensure parks are safe and accessible for people with disabilities in low-income, disadvantaged communities. The City will add mulch to the playground and replace slide and swing mats at John Gable Park, Pocklington Central Playfield, Richie Park, and Viglasky Park. At John Gable Park, the City also will replace the thirty-year-old roof on the picnic shelter, the twenty-year old dugouts, the safety netting, and two sets of bleachers. The City also will replace the automatic locks on restrooms and lay rock on trails at Elton Bennett Park, Endreson walking trails, John Gable Park, Pocklington Central Playfield, and Sunset Memorial Park. The City will replace picnic tabletops and benches, safety netting around play toys, and worn basketball hoops throughout the parks. Finally, the City will replace its 1995 four-wheeler and cargo trailer and other equipment used for playfield maintenance. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1534)

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Projects in Jefferson County

Jefferson County

Grant Awarded: \$82,823

Refreshing Amenities in Six Parks

Jefferson County Parks and Recreation will use this grant to repair and refresh amenities in six busy parks. The County will replace twenty-two rotted and broken campground picnic tables with recycled plastic tables accessible to people with disabilities in Lake Leland, Upper Oak Bay, Lower Oak Bay, and Quilcene Parks. The County also will paint court surfaces and repair poles and hoops at basketball courts in Courthouse Park, repair a broken goal in Irondale Community Park, pressure wash five buildings in HJ Carroll Park, and buy a pressure washer to maintain basketball courts, picnic tables, seating, pathways, and other areas in the county's twenty-two parks. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1551)

Projects in King County

Auburn

Grant Awarded: \$100,000

Repairing the Les Gove Spray Park Features

The City of Auburn will use this grant to maintain Les Gove Spray Park, including replacing the valve and manifold system and some spray features. The spray park, built in 2004, has a significant leak that many temporary repairs have not been able to fix. This highly-used park is the only location in the city with free and safe access to water play in the summer. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1666)

Burien

Grant Awarded: \$75,000

Reroofing Picnic Shelters and Resurfacing a Tennis Court

The Burien Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department will use this grant to replace the roofs on two picnic shelters in Seahurst Park and resurface the tennis court in Lake Burien School Memorial Park. The roofs have reached the end of their lives and the natural cedar shake shingles need replacing. The City will remove the old roof and install marine-grade plywood sheathing, waterproof membrane, and synthetic shake shingles. The new, low maintenance roofs should last for thirty to fifty years. The City also will use the grant to resurface its only functional tennis court, which is in Lake Burien School Memorial Park. The court surface is beginning to crack, and the surfacing and lines are fading. The City will patch and seal the cracks and resurface and restripe the court. Patching the cracks will ensure the court remains accessible to

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people with disabilities and keep the asphalt from further degrading. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1627)

Federal Way **Grant Awarded: \$89,683** **Resurfacing and Repainting Saghalee Park Sports Courts**

The Federal Way Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services Department will use this grant to resurface and repaint four tennis courts and one basketball court at Saghalee Park. The courts are showing signs of wear, such as pavement cracking and roots buckling the play surface. The maintenance will improve safety, playability, and appearance and help increase recreation opportunities in Federal Way as well as the longevity of the sport courts. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1623)

Kent **Grant Awarded: \$100,000** **Replacing the Lake Meridian Playground Surface**

The City of Kent will use this grant to replace the poured-in-place rubber surface and the artificial grass in the Lake Meridian Park playground. Originally built in 2011, the playground is a destination playground in the city's only park with lake access for swimming, making it especially popular in the summer. The rubber surface is peeling up in many places and the artificial turf on two small play hills inside the playground has many tears. The City intends to keep the nature-theme design when replacing the surfaces. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1552)

Pacific **Grant Awarded: \$92,000** **Upgrading Playground Fixtures**

The City of Pacific will use this grant to replace several rotted wood tables and benches that have moss covering them at multiple parks and add wood chips to four playground sites. The wood chips are engineered wood fiber. The playground sites have only six inches of fiber and need at least twelve inches. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1674)

SeaTac **Grant Awarded: \$100,000** **Repairing the North SeaTac Park Trail**

The City of SeaTac will use this grant to remove damaged sections of trail in North SeaTac Park, compact the subgrade, and repave the sections. The City will repair twenty-eight sections of trail that were damaged when tree roots created trip hazards. The Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1531)

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Tukwila **Replacing Lights in Crystal Springs Park**

Grant Awarded: \$100,000

The City of Tukwila Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to help replace lights in Crystal Springs Park, which is an eleven-acre wooded park with a variety of recreation amenities such as trails, tennis and basketball courts, a playground, and picnicking areas. Park users and community members have expressed concerns about safety in the park due to its lack of lights and restoration of the lights will allow for more year-round use. The City will get permits, buy lights, and replace the underground wiring systems. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1565)

Projects in Klickitat County

Klickitat County **Maintaining Trout Lake Park Structures**

Grant Awarded: \$43,000

The Klickitat County Public Works Department will use this grant to buy materials and repair deteriorating structures in Trout Lake Park. The County will repair the roof on the gazebo; replace some siding, weatherize, and paint the restroom; patch potholes in the park's main driveway and resurface some parking stalls; repair and paint the wood picnic tables; and replace worn cedar boards on the play structure. The work will extend the life of the facilities. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1750)

Projects in Lewis County

Centralia **Maintaining Fort Borst Park Stadium**

Grant Awarded: \$100,000

The City of Centralia will use this grant to refurbish the seating and restrooms in Wheeler Stadium, in the historic 121-acre Fort Borst Park. The City will replace a section of stadium seating with exposed fiberglass, resurface the tarnished metal floor beneath the seats to prevent future corrosion, add signs to mark wheelchair seating, and replace rotted wood boards throughout this 1959 iconic baseball stadium. In the main restrooms near the children's playground, the City will paint the interior and exterior walls and replace damaged doors, old leaky toilets, and urinals and sinks. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1591)

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Chehalis **Grant Awarded: \$100,000** **Buying Field Equipment and Retrofitting a Restroom**

The City of Chehalis will use this grant to buy field maintenance equipment and replace bathroom fixtures in several parks. The City will buy tractor implements for aerating, thatching, top dressing, sanding, and fertilizing field turf in Alexander Lintott, Recreation, and Stan Hedwall Parks. The City also will replace the porcelain toilets, sinks, and privacy dividers with stainless steel products in the Chehalis Sports Complex, Recreation Park, and Spray Park restrooms. Finally, the City will install handrails and repair floor cracks to improve accessibility. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1696)

Morton **Grant Awarded: \$79,000** **Repairing Gus Backstrom Park**

The City of Morton will use this grant to repair the restrooms in Gus Backstrom Park. The City will reroof and replace the sinks and toilets in the front restrooms, replace the toilets in the back restrooms, and replace doors, locks, and lights. In addition, the City will fix the pavilion roof to prevent further degradation and replace breakers and fixtures in the electric pedestals for recreational vehicles. Gus Backstrom Park offers camping, fishing access, recreational activities, and a weekend farmer's market. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1671)

Projects in Pacific County

Long Beach **Grant Awarded: \$67,000** **Repairing Long Beach Restrooms**

The City of Long Beach will use this grant to repair restrooms on Fifth Street in the middle of the city's downtown. Built in 1999, the restrooms are in desperate need of a new roof, gutters, and siding. These restrooms are open year-round and used by many visitors and residents alike. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1571)

South Bend **Grant Awarded: \$100,000** **Maintaining the Cheney Ballfield Sport Court**

The City of South Bend will use this grant to install a thick layer of asphalt over an unusable sport court at Cheney Ballfield. The overlay will cover the cracked asphalt and build up low areas that puddle in the rain. The City also will paint lines on the original two tennis courts, replace the

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fence surrounding the court, and replace the two original entrance gates. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1687)

Projects in Pierce County

Anderson Island Park District Maintaining Facilities in Andy's Wildlife Park

Grant Awarded: \$51,000

The Anderson Island Park District will use this grant to buy a utility vehicle for park maintenance and crushed rock for a trail, repair a trail bridge, and restripe a tennis court in Andy's Wildlife Park. This large park has trails that are more than one mile from the parking lot and the district doesn't have the ability to transport materials to the trails to fix them. The utility vehicle will enable staff to carry rock, fencing, wood for boardwalks, large batteries for a composting bathroom, and other maintenance items for areas far from the park entrance. The district also will buy crushed rock for the trails and will repair the decking and steps and install a railing on a small trail bridge. Finally, the district will patch and refinish the tennis court so it can be used for both tennis and pickle ball. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1597)

Lakewood Refreshing Harry Todd Park

Grant Awarded: \$100,000

The City of Lakewood will use this grant to maintain amenities at Harry Todd Park, a seventeen-acre lakefront park in the Tillicum neighborhood. The park features playfields, tennis and basketball courts, and picnic shelters. The lakefront area is the only public access to open water in this geographically and economically isolated community. The City will apply a protective seal coat striping to pavements to provide a layer of protection, paint and stripe the basketball courts, fill potholes and add material to level the gravel parking lot, add wood chips to the playground to prevent injuries, and hire seasonal staff to address maintenance needs. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1746)

Projects in San Juan County

Friday Harbor Repairing Sunken Park's Boardwalk

Grant Awarded: \$100,000

The Town of Friday Harbor will use this grant to replace elements of the boardwalk in Sunken Park. The wooden pedestrian boardwalk and overlook were installed in 1995 and due to age and

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heavy use, the components need to be selectively replaced. Sunken Park's boardwalk and overlook are eight to twelve feet above the interior of the park and wrap around the outside of the park. The boardwalk and overlook have park benches, resting areas, two staircases, and a ramp that provide access to the park's interior. The Town will replace planks, posts, beams, ledgers, joists, guardrail posts, hand railing, staircase stringers, and rail supports. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1766)

Projects in Skagit County

Mount Vernon **Grant Awarded: \$99,300** **Maintaining Five Local Parks**

The City of Mount Vernon will use this grant to do maintenance projects in five parks: Bakerview, Hillcrest, Kiwanis, Sherman Anderson, and Sixth Street. At Hillcrest, the City will repaint the outside of a restroom, replace parts on a motorized swing arm gate, repaint five picnic shelters and replace two picnic shelter roofs, restripe two basketball courts, and repaint the lines on two tennis/pickleball courts. At Bakerview, the City will repaint the outside of a restroom, replace parts on a motorized swing arm gate, and repair damaged skate park ramps. At Kiwanis Park, the City will refurbish trash cans and picnic tables. At Sherman Anderson, the City will repaint the outside of a restroom and at Sixth Street, the City will restripe a basketball court. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1563)

Projects in Snohomish County

Lynnwood **Grant Awarded: \$100,000** **Repairing Pioneer Park Tennis Courts**

The Lynnwood Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Department will use this grant to repair the surface of two tennis courts in Pioneer Park. The City will repair, resurface, and line the courts and replace the nets. Roots and soil settlement have caused cracks and low spots on the court surface. Weeds are growing through the cracks and the low spots make the court not accessible to people with disabilities. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1528)

Mountlake Terrace **Grant Awarded: \$94,190** **Refreshing the Sonics Basketball Court**

The City of Mountlake Terrace will use this grant to refresh the city's only outdoor basketball court. Known as Sonics Court, the 7,350-square-foot basketball court at the Recreation Pavilion

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was developed in the late 1980s with funding from the National Basketball Association's Seattle SuperSonics and Metropolitan Life, as the first annual "Net Foundation" outdoor basketball facility. With years of daily use and exposure to the elements, this court is in desperate need of refurbishment. The City will repair cracks, resurface the court, and replace six backboards and rims and chain link fencing and gates. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1628)

Projects in Spokane County

Airway Heights **Grant Awarded: \$100,000** **Renovating Sunset Park Picnic Shelters**

The City of Airway Heights will use this grant to repair two picnic shelters in Sunset Park. The City will replace the roofs on two shelters and dilapidated siding on a storage building. The roof structures have cracks and dry rot, impacting the support beams, trusses, and sheathing. The siding on the storage building is rotting with age and weather exposure. The new roof will be metal and include roofing felt and sheathing over the trusses. The City will replace the siding on the storage building and install trim and paint. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1594)

Spokane **Grant Awarded: \$100,000** **Repairing Broken Playground Structures**

The Spokane Parks and Recreation Division will use this grant to buy and replace all broken play structure components in sixteen playgrounds in socially vulnerable communities. Within these parks, 41 percent of playgrounds have at least one missing, damaged, or broken playground component. The damage is often due to vandalism, tagging, and general wear. The result of broken and missing playground components is socially vulnerable children without access to quality public play spaces. While not acceptable, boarded up slides, missing swings, and missing tot toys are commonplace. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1625)

Projects in Stevens County

Chewelah **Grant Awarded: \$100,000** **Restoring the Entrance to Everett Jenne Park**

The City of Chewelah will use this grant to restore the main entrance to Everett Jenne Park, which experiences high traffic because of its location off U.S. Route 395. The park has an

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outdoor amphitheater that seats three hundred people, recreational vehicle facilities, and a farmers' market. The park hosts festivals and other gatherings that draw fifty thousand visitors a year. Next to the highway is a concrete plaza entrance that was cracked and replaced with gravel that now is uneven, unstable, and overgrown with weeds, and does not provide the desired barrier-free access. The City will remove the gravel and other barriers, pour concrete to create an entrance, replace the benches with accessible furnishings, and replace garbage can. The City also will add chips to the playground and a retaining system to keep them in place. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1651)

Stevens County

Grant Awarded: \$100,000

Fixing Up Hunters Park

Stevens County will use this grant to improve Hunters Park, which is in a low-income community and gets little use because of a lack of restrooms and seating areas. The County will replace the restroom roof and toilet and fix a leaky pipe and the wood deck damaged by the leak. The County also will upgrade the electrical outlets, which are not to code and unable to hold a power load, install signs, trim trees around the building to allow access to walkways, replace park benches and picnic tables, fertilize and reseed a large grassy field, repair a hole in the kiosk building, and replace rotted fencing. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1774)

Projects in Thurston County

Olympia

Grant Awarded: \$100,000

Modernizing Park Irrigation Systems

The Olympia Parks, Arts & Recreation Department will use this grant to buy twenty irrigation controllers and one electric utility vehicle. Staff will install the new irrigation controllers in the following parks: Bigelow, Decatur Woods, Friendly Grove, Heritage, Isthmus, Kettle View, Lions, Little Baseball Association (LBA), Percival Landing, Seven Oars, Squaxin, Stevens Field, Sunrise, West Bay, Woodruff, Yashiro Japanese Gardens, and Yauger. The current systems rely on radio frequency communication between locations and are controlled by a dial-up internet program that is no longer supported. New irrigation controllers communicate through a cellular system and staff can use a mobile app to monitor and control watering. The City also will replace a 2012 diesel utility vehicle with an electric utility task vehicle to reduce emissions, save fuel costs, and improve the ability of staff to maintain LBA park with more reliable equipment. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1701)

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Projects in Walla Walla County

Prescott Parks and Recreation District Resurfacing the Prescott Pool

Grant Awarded: \$100,000

The Prescott Parks and Recreation District will use this grant to resurface the interior of the Prescott pool to prolong its life and create a safer swimming environment. The pool is more than fifty years old and has cracking paint. Repainting the pool would not only prolong the life of the pool surface, but also of the filtration, pump, and vacuum systems. It also would create a safer swimming experience by removing small chips of paint floating in the water and the small, rough, and sometimes sharp edges where the paint has peeled and cracked. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1712)

Projects in Yakima County

Grandview Restoring Dykstra Park Restroom

Grant Awarded: \$100,000

The City of Grandview will use this grant to remodel a dilapidated restroom in Dykstra Park. Dykstra is the largest community park in the city and is underused because of the lack of restrooms. The City will remodel the entire restroom and add a concrete approach for people with disabilities. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1621)

Sunnyside Painting the Central Park Pool House and Maintaining Trees There

Grant Awarded: \$89,500

The City of Sunnyside will use this grant to paint the forty-eight-year-old pool house in Central Park and remove and prune trees outside it. Central Park is the largest and most used park in the city, and is next to the downtown district. The City will repaint the inside including painting the floors with slip-free paint that is resistant to chlorine water. The City will repaint the outside of the building and apply an anti-graffiti coating. The City also will remove three Chinese elms at the playground that routinely drop branches onto the playground equipment and prune and remove dead limbs from three large sycamore trees. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1765)

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Toppenish Repairing the Public Pool

Grant Awarded: \$100,000

The City of Toppenish will use this grant to repair its pool. The pool floor has numerous fissures, which allow more than 310,000 gallons of water to be lost in three months. The City will repair the fissures in the pool floor and add a surface coating to wet areas. The Toppenish swimming pool is a community gathering spot where hard-working, poor families can recreate in a safe environment. Toppenish summers are hot and arid with temperatures often reaching 100 degrees Fahrenheit. The city pool is a welcome escape from the heat for underserved families and children. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1738)

Union Gap Refurbishing Sports Courts and Picnic Tables

Grant Awarded: \$100,000

The City of Union Gap will use this grant to resurface and repaint two basketball and three tennis courts and restore picnic tables. The City will need to do extensive preparation and patching of the courts because of heavy cracking before laying new asphalt and repainting. For the picnic tables, the City will replace damaged wood and hardware, then sand and paint the wood to prolong the life of each table. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (23-1697)