

Potential Recreation and Park Funding Sources
Compiled By Florida Department Of Environmental Protection, Division Of Recreation and Parks

The following is a list of potential funding sources that may be available to local governments to assist in the development of park facilities, environmental education programs, or natural resource protection and enhancement projects.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE/DIVISION OF FORESTRY

Urban and Community Forestry Assistance Program

Development and enhancement of urban forests.

Charlie Marcus (850) 921-0300
3125 Conner Boulevard Suite R-3
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1650
www.fl-dof.com

Rural Development Program

Projects that use natural resources to improve the economy and job opportunities in rural communities.

Britt Evans (850) 414-9955
3125 Conner Boulevard Suite R-3
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1650
www.fl-dof.com

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

319 Grant Program

Water quality improvement demonstration projects for nonpoint source pollutants within priority watersheds.

Karl Kurka or Holly Powless (850) 245-7508
2600 Blairstone Road MS 3570
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000
<http://www.dep.state.fl.us/water/nonpoint/319h.htm>

Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program

Limited to local community acquisition of park land and development of park facilities.

Office of Information and Recreation Services
(850) 245-2501
3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 585
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000
www.dep.state.fl.us/parks/oirs

Land and Water Conservation Fund

A federal program that provides grants to local governments for acquisition of park land and development of park facilities.

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(850) 245-2501
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Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000
www.dep.state.fl.us/parks/oirs

Florida Beach Erosion Control Assistance Program

Beach restoration and nourishment, dune restoration, dune walkover construction, project design, engineering and environmental studies, and other erosion related activities.

Paden Woodruff (850) 922-7703
3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 300
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000

<http://www.dep.state.fl.us/beaches/programs/bcherosn.htm>

Clean Vessel Act Grant Program

A federal program that provides funding to public and private recreational boating facilities to install or renovate pump out or waste dump reception facilities.

Brenda Leonard (850) 245-2847
3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 665
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000

<http://www.dep.state.fl.us/law/Grants/CVA/default.htm>

Florida Greenways and Trails Program

Formerly known as the Florida Rails-to-Trails Program, provides acquisition funds for the purchase of greenways and trails for recreational and conservation purposes.

Grants Administrator (850) 245-2052
3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 795
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000

Development of Recreational Trails (850) 245-2052
3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 795
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000

<http://www.dep.state.fl.us/gwt/community>

Florida Forever Program

(formerly Conservation and Recreation Lands Program, CARL)

State acquisition program to preserve significant natural and other resource values.

Mr. Mark Glisson (850) 245-2784
3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 140
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000

www.dep.state.fl.us/lands/acquisition/FloridaForever/faq.htm

Coastal Partnership Initiative

Provides funds to local governments in Florida's 35 coastal counties for innovative coastal management projects in four program areas: public access, remarkable coastal places, working waterfronts, and community stewardship.

Ms. Dornecia Allen (850) 245-2161
Florida Coastal Management Program
3900 Commonwealth Blvd., MS 47
Tallahassee, FL 32399-3000

<http://www.dep.state.fl.us/cmp/grants/index.htm>

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Florida Communities Trust

Provides grant and loan assistance to local governments for the acquisition and conservation of outdoor recreation lands that are needed to implement local government comprehensive plans.

Grant Gelhardt (850) 922-1704
2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2100

<http://www.floridacommunitydevelopment.org/fct/index.cfm>

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Transportation Enhancement Program

Transportation enhancement projects: Bike and pedestrian trails and facilities, landscaping, and restoration of historic transportation structures.

Local Program Administrator
(850) 414-4447
605 Suwannee Street, MS 37
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0450

<http://www.dot.state.fl.us/emo/enhance/enhance.htm>

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

State Historic Preservation Grants-In-Aid Program

Historical archaeological site identification, preservation education, restoration of historic buildings, and excavation of archaeological sites.

Grants and Education Section
(850) 245-6333
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250
<http://www.flheritage.com>

Historical Museums Grants-In-Aid Program

Development of exhibits on Florida history.

Grants Manager
(850) 245-6333
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250
<http://www.flheritage.com>

FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT (EAST COAST)

Waterways Assistance Program

Public navigation, recreation, and environmental education projects along the Intracoastal Waterway.

Mr. Mark Crosley (561) 627-3386
1314 Marcinski Road
Jupiter, Florida 33477

<http://www.aicw.org/wap.htm>

WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT (SOUTHWEST COAST)

Waterways Development Program

Public navigation, recreation, and environmental education projects along the Intracoastal Waterway.

Mr. Charles Listowski (941) 485-9402
Post Office Box 1845
Venice, Florida 34284-1845

<http://www.wcind.net>

FLORIDA FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Florida Boating Improvement Program

Provides grants to county governments for boating related activities.

Susanna Stephens (850) 488-5600
620 South Meridian Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600

<http://www.myfwc.com/boating/grants/fbip.htm>

Derelict Vessel Grant Program

A grant program designed to serve coastal local governments by assisting with their cost to remove derelict vessels from coastal waters of the state. Vessels are declared derelict by each of the five Florida Marine Patrol district offices.

Tim Woody (850) 488-5600
620 South Meridian Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600

<http://www.myfwc.com/boating/grants/derelict.htm>

Marine Artificial Reef Development Program

Reimbursement of coastal local governments for funds expended to build artificial reefs.

Mr. John Dodrill (850) 922-4340 Ext 209
620 S. Meridian Street
Box MS-4B2
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

<http://www.myfwc.com/marine/ar/index.asp>

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