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## **Governor Pritzker Announces \$29.7 Million in Grants for Illinois Park Projects**

*OSLAD Grants Will Support Park Development and Open Space Land Acquisition in 27 Counties*

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. – Governor JB Pritzker today announced \$29.7 million in grants for 85 local projects which will help communities acquire open space and develop and improve recreational facilities throughout Illinois.

“Investments in local park projects are good for families and recreation enthusiasts, helping them enjoy outdoor activities and making Illinois communities better places to live and work,” Governor Pritzker said. “Parks projects also boost local economic development efforts and spur additional investment throughout the state.”

The grants announced today are funded through the state’s Open Space Land Acquisition and Development (OSLAD) program, administered by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR). The OSLAD program can provide up to one-half of a project’s funds. When combined with the investment of local matching funds, the grants announced today will support more than \$56 million in local park development projects and land acquisitions statewide.

The OSLAD program has invested \$403.2 million in 1,729 local park projects since its inception in 1987. The program receives dedicated funding from a percentage of the state’s Real Estate Transfer Tax.

A list of this year’s OSLAD grant recipients and project information is below:

<b>GRANT RECIPIENT</b>	<b>PROJECT TITLE</b>	<b>COUNTY</b>	<b>GRANT AMOUNT</b>
Algonquin Village of	Stoneybrook Park Development Project	McHenry	\$400,000.00
Arcola, City of	Arcola Kelly Moore Memorial Park Improvements	Douglas	\$400,000.00
Arlington Heights Park District	Recreation Park Master Plan	Cook	\$400,000.00
Berwyn Park District	27th Place Park Improvement	Cook	\$178,700.00
Black Hawk Park District	Meridian Park Pool Project	Jo Daviess	\$400,000.00
Bolingbrook Park District	Century Park Development	Will	\$400,000.00
Brookfield Village of	Redevelopment of Candy Cane Park	Cook	\$340,000.00
Byron Park District	Donald B. Johnson Riverfront Park Development Project	Ogle	\$400,000.00
Calumet City, City of	New Park Development by the River	Cook	\$400,000.00
Carbondale Park District	Marberry Arboretum Accessible Trails and Fishing Pier	Jackson	\$360,000.00
Champaign Park District	Spalding Park Development	Champaign	\$347,000.00
Chicago Park District	Jackson Park - Park Redevelopment	Cook	\$625,000.00
Chicago Park District	Sherwood Park - Park Redevelopment	Cook	\$275,000.00
Chicago Park District	Improving Amenities for Outdoor Recreation and Exploration at Big Marsh Park	Cook	\$900,000.00
Chicago Park District	La Follette Park - Park Redevelopment	Cook	\$302,500.00
Chicago Park District	Murray Park - Park Redevelopment	Cook	\$197,500.00
Clark County Park District	Recreation enhancement project	Clark	\$224,700.00
DeKalb Park District	Welsh Park	DeKalb	\$395,800.00
Des Plaines Park District	Lake Park	Cook	\$400,000.00
Des Plaines Park District	Centennial Park Land Acquisition	Cook	\$112,100.00
Downers Grove Park District	McCullum Park	DuPage	\$400,000.00
Dundee Township Park District	Hickory Hills Park	Kane	\$363,800.00
Effingham Water Authority	Lake Sara Pearson Peninsula Park Development	Effingham	\$400,000.00

Elburn, Village of	Elburn Station Unit 1 Park	Kane	\$390,900.00
Elizabeth, Village of	Terrapin Park Splash Pad	Jo Daviess	\$168,200.00
Elk Grove Park District	Hattendorf Park	Cook	\$266,800.00
Franklin Park, Park District of	Timber Park	Cook	\$248,200.00
Freeport Park District	Oakdale Nature Preserve Improvements	Stephenson	\$400,000.00
Glen Ellyn Park District	Newton Park	DuPage	\$400,000.00
Glencoe Park District	Lincoln Playground	Cook	\$400,000.00
Glendale Heights, Village of	Camera Park	DuPage	\$400,000.00
Godfrey, Village of	Glazebrook Park Expansion	Madison	\$400,000.00
Hanover Township	Izaak Walton Reserve	Cook	\$400,000.00
Hazel Crest, Village of	175th Street Park	Cook	\$396,000.00
Highland Park Park District	Community Park Development	Lake	\$400,000.00
Highwood, City of	Everts Park Phase I	Lake	\$400,000.00
Hinsdale, Village of	Community Pool Redevelopment	DuPage/Cook	\$400,000.00
Hoffman Estates Park District Inc.	Birch Park Revitalization Project	Cook	\$225,000.00
Homewood-Flossmoor Park District	Homewood Estates Park	Cook	\$292,700.00
<b>Itasca Park District</b>	<b>Itasca Waterpark Bathhouse</b>	<b>DuPage</b>	<b>\$400,000.00</b>
Kinkaid-Reed's Creek Conservancy District	Short-Term Camping Facility	Jackson	\$400,000.00
La Salle, City of	Rotary Park Expansion Project	La Salle	\$400,000.00
Lake Zurich, Village of	Paulus Park	Lake	\$400,000.00
Lockport Township Park District	Dellwood Park	Will	\$400,000.00
Lombard Park District	Four Seasons Park	DuPage	\$400,000.00
Mahomet, Village of	Mahomet Barber Park Improvements - Phase 1	Champaign	\$400,000.00
Maywood, Village of	Fred Hampton Pool Renovation Project	Cook	\$333,000.00
Melrose Park, Village of	Silver Creek Interpretive Trail and Canoe/Kayak Launch	Cook	\$163,000.00
Mokena Community Park District	Whisper Creek Park District	Will	\$380,000.00
Morton Grove Park District	Austin Park Redevelopment	Cook	\$223,700.00

New Berlin, Village of	Park Improvements	Sangamon	\$300,000.00
New Lenox Community Park District	Sky Harbor Park Development	Will	\$400,000.00
Nokomis Park District	Swimming Pool Improvements at Memorial Park	Montgomery	\$350,000.00
Oak Brook Park District	Autumn Oaks Property	DuPage	\$400,000.00
Oak Lawn Park District	Lawn Manor Park	Cook	\$400,000.00
Oak Park, Park District of	Carroll Park Land Acquisition	Cook	\$192,000.00
Oak Park, Park District of	Rehm Park Improvements	Cook	\$400,000.00
Olney, City of	Olney City Park Multi-Use Trail, Road Improvement, Restroom Facility and Pavilion Roof	Richland	\$206,700.00
Olympia Field Park District	Sgt. Means Park Phase I	Cook	\$175,700.00
Oswegoland Park District	Andover Park Development	Kendall	\$376,300.00
Ottawa, City of	Thornton Park	LaSalle	\$305,100.00
Palatine Park District	Maple Park	Cook	\$400,000.00
Park Forest, Village of	Somonauk Nature Adventure Park	Cook	\$395,000.00
Park Ridge Park District	Woodland Park Project	Cook	\$400,000.00
Pekin Park District	Mineral Springs Park Improvements	Tazewell	\$400,000.00
Peoria Park District	Forest Park Nature Center	Peoria	\$526,000.00
Plainfield Park District	Eaton Preserve Renovation	Will	\$400,000.00
River Trails Park District	Aspen Trails Park	Cook	\$400,000.00
Riverdale Park District	Riverdale Park Restoration	Cook	\$278,600.00
Robbins, Village of	Robbins Community Park	Cook	\$220,000.00
Rockford Park District	Keye-Mallquist Park	Winnebago	\$275,000.00
Rolling Meadows Park District	Cardinal Drive Inclusive Playground	Cook	\$312,600.00
Romeoville, Village of	Lake Strini	Will	\$382,800.00
Roselle Park District	Odlum Park	DuPage	\$177,900.00
Round Lake Area Park District	Sports Center Park	Lake	\$400,000.00
Salem, City of	Addy and Friends Inclusive Playground	Marion	\$210,700.00
Springfield Park District	Iles Park Redevelopment	Sangamon	\$400,000.00
Sycamore Park District	Memorial Park Development	DeKalb	\$400,000.00

Tinley Park District	Volunteer Park Renovation Project	Cook	\$400,000.00
Urbana Park District	Blair Park Revitalization Project	Champaign	\$400,000.00
Wamac, City of	Park Improvement Project	Marion	\$138,600.00
Waterloo Park District	Waterloo All Access Splash Pad	Monroe	\$400,000.00
Waukegan Park District	Victory Park Reno	Lake	\$400,000.00
Wenona, City of	City Park Playground Replacement Project	Marshall	\$25,000.00
Wheeling Park District	Childerley Park Development	Cook/Lake	\$400,000.00

## Attachments

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