

2023 Fall Friends Grant Application Summary

The Foundation for Dane County Parks and Dane County Parks collaborative grant program is open to Dane County Parks Friend Groups and partner organizations to lead educational programs, implement small projects, and purchase equipment for volunteer workdays. This collaborative grant program can fund a full or partial project/program between \$250-\$2,000. There was \$13,000 of available funding for the fall 2023 grant cycle, which comes from the Madison Community Foundation's Friends of Dane County Parks Endowment Fund distribution. The fall grant application period ran from September 1, 2023 to October 15, 2023. The Foundation for Dane County Parks Allocations Committee met with Dane County Parks staff on Thursday, November 2, 2023 to review application and make the grant award recommendations as outlined below.

Applicant	Amount Requested	Proposed Match (if any)	Award Amount Recommended	Description	Dane County Parks Property
Anderson Park Friends	\$400.00	\$40.00	\$400.00	Purchase a seed spreader and cover crop seeds for the food pantry garden to enrich the soil. Anderson Park Friends will own and maintain the equipment for its useful life.	Anderson County Park
Friends of Badger Mill Creek Environmental Corridor	\$1,967.00	\$0.00	\$1,717.00	Purchase tools for land restoration volunteers and purchase tree tubes and stakes.	Ice Age Trail Junction Natural Resource Area
Capital Off Road Pathfinders	\$2,000.00	\$1,150.00	\$1,000.00	Purchase a powered track barrow for volunteer maintained mountain bike trails.	CamRock County Park
Holy Wisdom Monastery	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,500.00	Offset the cost of a prescribed fire on the south half of the property.	North Mendota Wildlife Area
Friends of Lower Mud Lake	\$1,964.91	\$0.00	\$1,964.91	Purchase tools and safety equipment for land restoration volunteers.	Lower Mud Lake Natural Resource Area
Friends of McCarthy Park	\$2,000.00	\$675.00	\$2,000.00	Repair storage building heater and purchase propane for it. Purchase heating mats and insulated machine covers for Friends' equipment used by volunteers to groom cross country ski trails.	McCarthy Youth and Conservation County Park
Prairie Moraine Friends	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,750.00	Purchase tool racks and accessories for UTV, which is used by land restoration volunteers. Purchase special event supplies such as portable tables/chairs, display racks and portable PA system.	Prairie Moraine County Park
Friends of Schumacher Farm	\$820.00	\$0.00	\$820.00	Increase outreach methods for 2024 community and educational events with printed materials and Facebook post boosts.	Schumacher Farm County Park
Friends of Stewart Park	\$1,284.23	\$0.00	\$1,284.23	Contract prescribed fire on the remnant prairie and purchase a utility sled to carry equipment for land restoration volunteers.	Stewart Lake County Park
Southern Wisconsin Chapter of Trout Unlimited	\$502.00	\$0.00	\$502.00	Purchase seedings, tree tubes and stakes for volunteers to plant and water trees.	Dane County public trout easements on Kittleson Creek & German Valley Creek

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