

Grimes

Phase III

\$200,000



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The Honorable Keith Kazmark
Borough of Woodland Park
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**RE: OSTF-22-015 – DIANE GRIMES MEMORIAL PARK IMPROVEMENTS:
PHASE III, WOODLAND PARK, NJ
2022 OPEN SPACE GRANT AWARD STATUS**

Dear Mayor Kazmark:

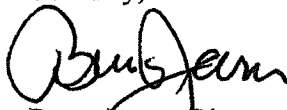
On behalf of the Passaic County Board of County Commissioners, I congratulate your organization on being awarded a grant from the *Passaic County Open Space, Farmland, and Historic Preservation Trust Fund* in the amount of \$200,000.00.

A formal grant agreement will be forthcoming shortly under separate cover. Once the grant agreement is fully executed, we will schedule a follow-up meeting to provide you with further information that you need to begin administering your grant successfully. Until that time, please keep us informed about activities regarding your project, including development of any research, planning, design, or construction documents.

If you have any further questions about the status of your application or the *Passaic County Open Space, Farmland, and Historic Preservation Trust Fund* 2022 grant round, please contact Jessie Summers, Landscape Architect / Open Space Coordinator, at 973-569-4049 or jessies@passaiccountynj.org.

Again, congratulations on your successful application. We look forward to working with you!

Sincerely,



Bruce James, Director
Passaic County Board of County Commissioners

cc: Commissioner Pat Lepore, Open Space Advisory Committee Liaison
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE MAY 18, 2021**PASSAIC COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AWARD 2020/2021 OPEN SPACE GRANTS**

\$3,255,475 in funds provided to enhance and preserve open space and historic facilities

(Passaic County, New Jersey) – The Passaic County Board of County Commissioners awarded \$3,255,475 in grants to county municipalities and non-profits through the Open Space, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund.

“Due to the impacts of the pandemic on programming funds and construction, this current round of grants represents two years’ worth of funding to support beautification, restoration and improvements to many of our local parks and historic sites,” stated Commissioner Director Pat Lepore. “These projects will continue to support open space and recreational needs that have been a critical element of the quality of life to local residents, but also, support tourism and revenue to our individual municipalities, and stimulus to the economy through construction and implementation activities.”

The Passaic County Board of County Commissioners approved an initial round of awards totaling \$675,475 on January 26, 2021 for projects under \$100,000 in funding. In accordance with state laws, the County Commissioners held a public hearing on March 9, 2021 for proposed awards over \$100,000 totaling \$2,580,000 which was approved on April 27, 2021.

The opportunity to submit a grant application for funding under the Passaic County Open Space, Farmland, and Historic Preservation Trust Fund is open each year to all municipalities and non-profit organizations. This year’s funding awards combined the 2020 and 2021 programs as a result of the COVID-19 public health emergency.

"The pandemic caused us to delay our usual Open Space process and ultimately decide to combine two years’ worth of funding in to one application period. We are appreciative to the municipalities who adapted to this change and submitted some truly outstanding open space projects, " stated Commissioner Assad Akhter, the County Board of Commissioners representative on the Open Space Committee. "This pandemic has made

clear how important parks and open space are to our personal well-being and sense of community. We hope residents throughout Passaic County will be able to enjoy these beautiful green spaces as pandemic restrictions are eased."

Below is the full list of grant recipients:

Municipality / Non-Profit	Project Name	Grant Award
American Labor Museum	1908 Botto House Retaining Wall Restoration	\$4,240
Bloomingtondale	DeLazier Field Grandstand & Bathroom Renovations	\$125,000
Community Assoc. of Highlands	Upgrade/Rehab Highlands Natural Pool	\$21,237
City of Clifton	U.S. Animal Quarantine Station, Barn S-2	\$75,000
Clifton	Oak Ridge Park Improvements	\$200,000
Friends of Paterson Parks	Roberto Clemente Playground Improvements	\$75,000
Haledon	Tilt Street Park Restroom/Storage Facility: Phase II	\$150,000
Hawthorne	Band Shell Pathway Lighting	\$75,000
Hawthorne	Installation of Playground @Band Shell/Pool	\$75,000

Highlands Nature Friends	Ongoing Rehab/Upgrade New Weis Center	\$75,000
Little Falls	Wilmore Park Improvement Project: Phase I	\$200,000
North Haledon	High Mountain School Playground: Phase III	\$99,999
Passaic	100 Steps Reconstruction (Latona Griffin Park)	\$200,000
Paterson Habitat for Humanity	Clinton Street Park	\$125,000
Pompton Lakes	Willow Field/Joe Grill Complex	\$150,000
Prospect Park	Hofstra Park Soccer Field - Phase III	\$200,000
Ringwood	Skyline Drive/Erskine Road Bike & Pedestrian Bridge	\$200,000
Totowa	PAL Fields Lighting Project	\$200,000
Wanaque	Ace Walkway Pedestrian Bridge	\$200,000
Wayne	Captain Kilroy Park Improvements	\$250,000
Wayne	Waks Memorial Park - Field Lighting Upgrade	\$99,999

Wayne Little League	Ongoing Complex Improvements	\$75,000
West Milford	Nonsenzo Pond Park: Phase IV (restrooms/septic)	\$180,000
Woodland Park	Diane Grimes Memorial Park Improvements Phase II	\$200,000

For More Information:

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