

Local Park Grants Program - Small Community

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KEY FACTS

◆ Agency:

Texas Parks and Wildlife
Department

◆ Award Information:

Deadline: October 1, 2019

◆ Award Date Range:

Assessed for award year-
round

◆ Application:

<https://bit.ly/1M7aaXg>
Guide:
<https://bit.ly/2SDOSrY>

◆ Current Program Funds:

Total Funds Per Cycle:
\$750,000

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PURPOSE

The Local Park Grant Program consists of 5 individual programs, including the Small Community Program which is available to communities for the acquisition, development, or renovation of park land. The Program provides 50% matching grants on a reimbursement basis to eligible applicants. Local governments must apply, permanently dedicate project areas for public recreational use, and assume responsibility for operation and maintenance.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Eligible applicants include political subdivisions of the State of Texas legally responsible for providing public recreation services to their citizens. This includes cities, counties, river authorities, municipal utility districts, and other special districts.

For active grants, all required project documentation (such as appraisals, construction plans, quarterly status reports, and reimbursement requests) must be complete and have been received on schedule, if due; and all active projects which are at least two years old at the time of application must be reimbursed for a minimum of 50% of the approved grant amount; and the total of approved grant funds which have not been reimbursed at the time of application may not exceed \$2 million for all active grant projects.

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

Development projects may consist of basic outdoor recreation facilities and related support facilities to serve the general public; provided that the funding of the project is in the best public interest in accord with local plans. Facilities may be developed, renovated, or redeveloped on lands or waters owned or adequately controlled by the project applicant. Plans for recreational development should be based on public needs, expected use, and the type and character of the project areas.

FIGURES

