

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A
N. J. DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS GRANT FOR
LOCAL RECREATIONAL IMPROVEMENT 2023-\$51,980.00**

WHEREAS, the Township of North Brunswick desires to accept a grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs in the amount of \$51,980.00; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this grant is for the replacement of existing exterior railing/fences at North Brunswick Community Park grounds and Dog Park area; and

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, the Township of North Brunswick Department of Parks does hereby authorize the acceptance; authorize the execution of any such grant agreement form the Department, does further authorize the expenditure of funds pursuant to the terms of the agreement between The Township of North Brunswick and the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs. and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the persons whose names, titles and signatures below are authorized to sign the agreement, and any other documents necessary in connection therewith:

Cavel Gallimore
Chief Financial Officer

Steve Bloyed
Acting Director of Public Works

Justine Progebin
Business Administrator

Ronald Gordon Esq.
Township Attorney
Approved as to legal form

CERTIFICATION

I, Lisa Russo, Clerk of the Township of North Brunswick, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Council of the Township of North Brunswick held on 1st of May 2023.

Lisa Russo
Township Clerk

RECORDED VOTE:

COUNCIL MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	NOTES
HUTCHINSON				
GUADAGNINO				
ANDREWS				
DAVIS				
SOCIO				
MEHTA				
MAYOR WOMACK				

For Immediate Release:
April 13, 2023

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Philip D. Murphy
Governor

PRESS RELEASE

Sheila Y. Oliver
Lt. Governor & Commissioner

DCA Awards \$25 Million in Local Recreation Improvement Grants to 352 Local Governments Across the State

*Grant Funding Will Help Improve Municipal and County Parks,
Recreational Facilities, and Local Stadiums*

TRENTON, NJ – The New Jersey Department of Community Affairs’ (DCA) Division of Local Government Services (DLGS) today announced the award of \$25 million in Local Recreation Improvement Grants to counties, municipalities, and school districts across New Jersey to ensure public access to quality outdoor space and recreational facilities. The grants were awarded to 352 local governments after a competitive application process.

“Ensuring public access to recreational opportunities is imperative for people’s mental and physical health,” **said Lt. Governor Sheila Oliver, who serves as DCA Commissioner.** “For this reason, the Local Recreation Improvement Grant program aims to provide grants to communities in need to help them strengthen and improve their recreational spaces and programs.”

Grant recipients will use the funding to help cover costs associated with updating community centers, playgrounds, pools, fields, walking or bicycle trails, rail trails, multi-sport courts, and recreational facilities. The grants can also be utilized for project development professional services such as engineering and architectural costs; equipment costs including playgrounds or bleachers for stadiums or community theatres; and environmental remediation costs required to prepare recreation sites for use.

A full list of the recipients, including grant award and grant project, is posted at <https://www.nj.gov/dca/dlgs/programs/lriggrants.shtml> on the DCA website.

A copy of the FY 2023 Local Recreation Improvement Grant Management Guidelines can also be found at: <https://www.nj.gov/dca/dlgs/programs/lriggrants.shtml>

To qualify for grant funding, applicants had to:

- Describe the intended use of grant funding for improvement or repair of a specific local recreation site;
- Identify any previously encountered obstacles to repair or improve the recreation site;
- Demonstrate their ability to complete the proposed project and provide project management and oversight for all activities and fiscal operations;
- List key personnel and/or the outside consultant that will be managing the grant funds and proposed project;
- Provide a cost breakdown of the project;
- Submit a governing body resolution acknowledging and approving any grant application and the proposed plan or design for the recreation space or community facility for which funding is sought; and
- Certify that the property where improvements will be made is owned by the county, municipality, or school district.

Grant applications were evaluated based on distressed community ranking, financial need, project feasibility, local match commitment, and scope of impact.

The Local Recreation Improvement Grants are reimbursement based. There is no advance payment or drawdown of grant funds. Eligible costs are reimbursed to the local government when it submits evidence of payment of qualifying expenses to DCA.

DCA offers a wide range of programs and services, including local government management and finance, affordable housing production, fire safety, building safety, community planning and development, disaster recovery and mitigation, and information privacy.

For more information about DCA, visit <https://nj.gov/dca/> or follow the Department on social media:

FY 2023 Local Recreation Improvement Grant (LRIG) - Awarded

Municipality	County	Award
Monroe Township	Middlesex	\$76,000
Montague Township	Sussex	\$73,000
Montclair Board of Education	Essex	\$75,000
Montclair Township	Essex	\$77,000
Montgomery Township	Somerset	\$66,000
Morris Plains Borough	Morris	\$65,000
Morris Township	Morris	\$68,000
Mount Arlington Borough	Morris	\$74,000
Mount Ephraim Borough	Camden	\$12,950
Mount Olive Township	Morris	\$64,000
Mountain Lakes Borough	Morris	\$70,000
Neptune City	Monmouth	\$81,000
Neptune Township	Monmouth	\$74,000
Netcong Borough	Morris	\$76,000
New Brunswick City	Middlesex	\$67,000
New Milford Borough	Bergen	\$75,000
Newark Board of Education	Essex	\$75,000
Newark City	Essex	\$91,000
Newton Town	Sussex	\$75,000
North Arlington Borough	Bergen	\$70,000
North Bergen Township	Hudson	\$80,440
North Brunswick Township	Middlesex	\$51,980
North Brunswick Township Board of Education	Middlesex	\$70,000
North Caldwell Borough	Essex	\$75,000
Northern Highlands Regional High School	Warren	\$85,000
Northfield City	Atlantic	\$80,000
Northvale Borough	Bergen	\$70,000
Norwood Borough	Bergen	\$75,000