

## Heritage Fund Awarded Projects

### LOCAL, REGIONAL AND STATE PARK FUNDING Fiscal Year 2023

**Sponsor: City of Somerton**

**Project Title: Perricone Park Improvements**

**Awarded Amount: \$150,040.00 Match: \$164,504.00 Total: \$314,544.00**



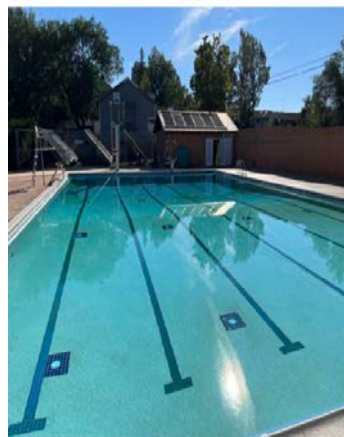
The City of Somerton will use ARPA and LRSP funds to complete Perricone Park amenities. The project will construct standard-size soccer field(s) not currently available in Somerton. The project will increase recreational outdoor opportunities for both youth and adults. The project, located directly adjacent to the Somerton High School and the direct vicinity of elementary schools and multiple residential subdivisions. The project components include infilling an existing retention basin, constructing field infrastructure, lighting, restroom facilities and other miscellaneous items necessary to complete the scope of work.

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**Project Sponsor: St. John**

**Project Title: Pool Renovation Project**

**Awarded Amount: \$108,081.00 Match-\$108,081.00 Total-\$216,162.00**



Renovation of the St. Johns City Park will include resurfacing four ball courts, and repurposing two of them to Pickleball Courts. It will also include renovation to the pool recreation center on the same property. This renovation will include a complete renovation of the offices, and the bathrooms to make them ADA compliant, and updates to the solar panels.

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**Project Sponsor: Nogales**

**Project Title: Teyechea City Park Renovation**

**Awarded Amount: \$241,870.00 Match-\$241,870.00 Total--\$483,740.00**



The City of Nogales seeks to renovate Teyechea Park; the city's central recreational park. Teyechea Park has not been renovated since 1981 and requires updated facilities including ADA approved playground equipment, basketball court, walking paths, lighting, ramadas, bathroom facilities, and picnic areas.

10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%

**Project Sponsor: Fountain Hills**

**Project Title: Four Peaks Park Project**

**Awarded Amount: \$250,000.00 Match-\$250,000.00 Total--\$500,000.00**



Four Peaks Park has seen substantial growth in recent years. Improvements the past few years have included two new playgrounds with shade structures, a new basketball court, lighted pickleball courts, and upgraded picnic facilities. The park also includes two ballfields and a walking path. These additions have been overwhelmingly received and park usage has skyrocketed. Additional infrastructure is needed, specifically picnic ramadas, increased natural shade, and restrooms. Funding will be used for a storage building and a new restroom located adjacent to the new playground better access for park patrons.

10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%

**Project Sponsor: Pinal County**

**Project Title: Oracle Community Park Redevelopment**

**Awarded Amount: \$250,000.00 Match-\$626,391.99 Total-\$876,391.99**



Oracle Community Park serves as the primary public recreation space for the Oracle community. Oracle Community Park will be renovated to improve its functionality and correct accessibility deficiencies. Oracle Community Park provides space for unstructured recreational play, picnicking, and community events and lacks ADA compliant parking spaces, pathways and restrooms. Additionally, the basketball court and playground structure are not sized appropriately for adequate community utilization. Funding will be used for improvements to include ADA parking and walkway, updated playground equipment, restroom improvements, a natural surface walking path and additional landscape and site improvements.

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**Project Sponsor: Show Low**

**Project: Pickleball Courts Phase II**

**Awarded Amount: 250,000.00 Match: \$250,000.00 Total: \$500,000.00**



Funding is requested to expand its existing city Campus Park which currently has 4 pickleball courts. The use at these have been overwhelming and the proposal is to expand this to another 4 courts. In addition, funding will be used for a sidewalk, two ramadas, irrigation and landscaping. This will be matched with a Land and Water Conservation Funding.

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### Fiscal Year 2022

**Project Sponsor: Clarkdale**

**Project: Selna-Mongini Park**

**Awarded Amount: \$500,000 Match: \$500,000.00 Total: \$1,000,000.00**



Selna Mongini Park is located in lower Clarkdale. Public input and the skills of a landscape architect were used to create a site plan based on the principles of fostering a healthy community and environment, youth engagement, community beautification and sustainability. The improved park will include: activity areas, areas to passively enjoy and learn about the environment, landscaping and amenities. This plan is consistent with the Mission statement for the Park: "To revitalize Selna-Mongini Park so that it is once again a hub of community activity".

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**Project Sponsor: Willcox**

**Project: Keiller Park/Quail Run Park**

**Awarded Amount: \$500,000.00**

**Match: \$500,000.00**

**Total: \$1,000,000.00**



Keiller Park will replace playground equipment and a canopy cover, convert three ballfields to LED lighting, upgrade restroom facilities, add two accessible restrooms, replace the park sprinkler system, add drinking fountains and trash cans, replace ball field fencing, reseed fields, install grills, benches, and tables, build a splash park, demolish and rebuild the 1966 swimming pool, and add park workout equipment along the multi use pathway. At Quail Park, the project will convert two fields to multi-use soccer/softball/football fields, improve the rodeo arena, add LED lighting, goal posts, replace playground canopy, upgrade restrooms, replace fencing, cover rodeo arena, construct restrooms/ showers, septic & sewer lines for arena, picnic tables, and bleachers, and install native and adapted landscaping.

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**Project Sponsor: City of Buckeye**

**Project: Sundance Park Phase II**

**Awarded Amount: \$500,000.00**

**Match: \$500,000.00**

**Total: \$1,000,000.00**

The City of Buckeye is requesting Heritage Funds to construct a portion of Sundance Park Phase II. The grant and City match will construct two lighted multi-use fields, including grading and sand base,

irrigation, turf, and sports field lighting. Phase II of the park is located on 38-acres west of the existing 30-acre park. Separate from this grant, and as part of Phase II, the city will be installing a 3.2-acre community fishing lake, splash pad, playground, basketball courts, and other amenities.



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**Project Sponsor: Town of Quartzsite**

**Project: Splash Pad Project**

**Awarded Amount: \$485,654.00**

**Match: \$485,654.00**

**Total: \$971,308.00**



This project will renovate existing playground and basketball areas and construct a new outdoor splash pad recreation facility. The Town of Quartzsite's Town Park Improvement Project proposes to upgrade and make significant improvements of the Park. This 80-acre community park has been serving the public and a wide variety of interest groups providing activities as varied as playgrounds to sports to radio-controlled aircraft to desert environment appreciation. Funding includes a 2,500 square foot recirculating splash pad and restroom, will enhance existing park facilities with perimeter fencing, rubberized mulch, tables, benches, and shade structures, lighting and an RV host site.

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**Project Sponsor: Bullhead City**

**Project: Splash Pad Project**

**Awarded Amount: \$350,000.00**

**Match: \$350,000.00**

**Total: \$700,000.00**



The City of Bullhead City is conducting a renovation project at Community Park, one of the most popular facilities in the City. The Community Park splash pad project aims to construct a splash pad on the north section of Community Park near 1st Street off of I-95. A splash pad at Community Park would improve City residents' quality of life, expand our local economy by bringing visitors to our City, and diversify our recreational amenities, while also developing a great sense of pride of place. Project site is currently a softball field located on previously disturbed land. . Sustainable elements have been included where appropriate. Splash pad design elements and partnerships with the nearby museum further ensure the City's commitment to promoting natural resources and the natural beauty of the Colorado River.

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## HERITAGE FUND HISTORIC PRESERVATION FY 2023

**Project Sponsor: Navajo County**

**Project: Pinedale Elementary School Renovation Project**

**Awarded Amount: \$100,790.00 Match-\$67,194.00 Total-\$167,984.00**



Navajo County proposes restoring a nationally registered historic building, Pinedale Elementary School. To preserve the building architect examined the building. According to the assessment, the exterior of this building needs works at all walls and the roof. These elements have lost their watertightness. Without immediate assistance, these elements will continue to decay, further damaging this historic structure. The needs are in four general areas: 1) Exterior Stucco, 2) Wood Windows, 3) Roof & Roof Edge, and 4) Building Perimeter Grading. The grant requests will be used to address these needed improvements.

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**Project Sponsor: Patronato San Xavier**

**Project: Artwork Conservation and Plaster in the Central Dome at Mission San Xavier**

**Awarded Amount: \$149,882.00 Match-\$124,722.00 Total-\$274,604.00**



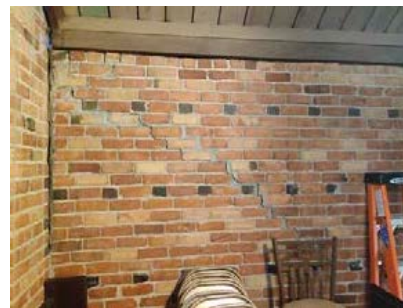
Mission San Xavier was one of the first sites in the nation to be listed as a national historic landmark. In the 1990's conservators were brought in from Europe to accomplish the first-ever conservation of the art within the historic Mission. That initial work involved stabilization of the plaster surfaces supporting the artwork and cleaning and conserving the fragile painted surfaces. The current project involves the highest sections of the church, the interiors of the ornately painted dome and drum above the crossing. This work will involve a major scaffold. Work consists of: assessing and treating areas where moisture may be impacting plaster surfaces, reattaching and stabilizing plaster that is delaminating from the substrate, removing plasters, cleaning the painted surfaces, in-painting to soften voids

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**Project Sponsor: Glendale**

**Project: First United Historic Church Preservation Project**

**Awarded Amount: \$135,598.00 Match-\$143,597.00 Total-\$279,195.00**



This project addresses critical issues related to structural stability, weather damage, hazardous electrical conditions and emergency exit improvements to reduce the potential for fire or physical injury. Scope items include structural brick repair and repointing of walls, wood roof truss reinforcement, critical electrical safety upgrades, egress improvements and door restoration, roof flashing repairs, concrete stairwell/areaway repairs and wood windows and trim stabilization repairs..

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**Project Sponsor: Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation**

**Project; ADA Restroom Renovation Project**

**Awarded Amount: \$32,500.00 Match-\$21,918.00 Total-\$54,418.00**



In the past three years work included installed multiple ramps and handrails, adapted existing restrooms, and built new ADA-compliant restrooms. The current objective is to renovate a restroom accessible on the level of the iconic Drafting Studio, Kiva, and Cabaret Theater, which are important for tour guests and as performance venues. They are seeking funding to help support this renovation, along with the National Endowment for the Humanities, Christopher Dana Reeve Foundation, Arizona Community Foundation, and an anonymous donor, whose funds are already in hand.

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**Project Sponsor: Tempe**

**Project: Gonzales-Martinez House Repair and Rehabilitation Project**

**Awarded Amount: \$150,000.00 Match-\$129,796.00 Total-\$279,796.00**



The project seeks to complete the rehabilitation of the historic home based on recommendations contained in a 2017 Building Condition Assessment Report completed by Motley Design Group LLC. The house, built in 1880 is owned by the City of Tempe, and was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1984. Funding will be used for demolition, roof repair, plaster, interior work including floors and walls, painting, plumbing, electrical and major exterior improvements.

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**Project Sponsor: Show Low**

**Project: Reidhead House Renovation**

**Awarded Amount: \$82,800.00 Match-\$62,804.00 Total-\$145,604.00**





The City of Show Low is seeking Heritage grant funds to rehabilitate a recently acquired historic home, circa 1910, located in downtown Show Low. The house is an original homestead built by the Reidhead family, one of the city's founding fathers, and has been continuously occupied until the city acquired the home in October 2021. Upon completion of the renovation, the home will be open for public tours facilitated by the Show Low Museum. The home requires repair of the interior/exterior walls and interior flooring is required to further stabilize the structure. Few areas that require replacement include the electrical system and some damaged flooring in the downstairs parlor. Some minor restoration of interior casework is needed. Waterproof elements will be installed as part of the overall renovation to ensure the structural integrity of the foundation is preserved weather elements.

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**Project Sponsor: Parker**

**Project: Parker Jail Rehabilitation**

**Awarded Amount: \$107,500.00 Match-\$100,000.00 Total-\$207,500.00**



The Parker Jail Historic Building Rehabilitation Project is a restoration project for La Paz County's most notable historical national register site: the Parker Jail, aka the Old Yuma County Jail. This restoration project will replace the original thatch-roof to specification on the 720 square foot building to replicate the site's original build. Accompanying the roof replacement at this historic site will be afforded occupancy inside of the building, where visitors can enter, partake in photo opportunities with the original jail and its features, and see informational signage.

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## FY 2022

**Project Sponsor: Vail Preservation Society**

**Project: 1908 Old Vail Post Office Rehabilitation**

**Awarded Amount: \$249,600.00 Match: \$99,000.00 Total: \$348,600.00**



The 1908 Old Vail Post Office (OVPO) is Vail Arizona’s oldest building. The OVPO’s adaptability over the 20<sup>th</sup> century made it a nexus of human connections and commerce. Through rehabilitation and adaptive reuse, the OVPO will be a HUB for the greater Vail community as the Vail Welcome & Heritage Center, and HQ for Vail’s AZ Main Street program. It will be a visual reminder of Vail’s railroad and ranching roots while filling current and future needs. Rehabilitation work will involve foundation underpinning, adobe stabilization and repair, exterior lime plastering, replacing the buildings’ roof including the addition of interior structural roof supports, restoration of windows, doors, electrical, and ADA compliance. Tech students will assist with the goals of community engagement and sparking their interest in historic preservation.

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**Project Sponsor: Pima County**

**Project: Pima County Office of Sustainability & Conservation**

**Amount Awarded: \$190,000.00 Match: \$98,359.00 Total: \$288,359.00**



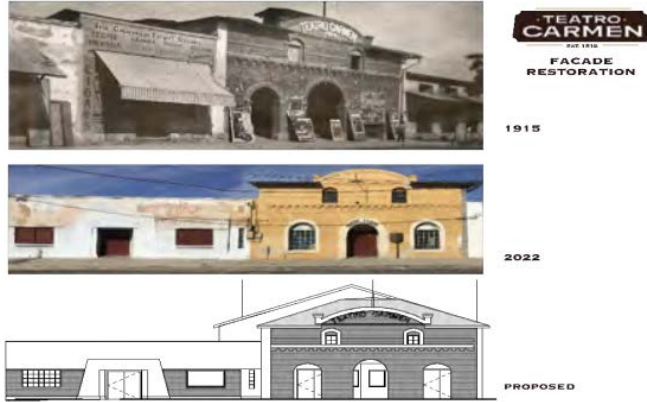
The Juan Santa Cruz Campground is a contributing resource to the Tucson Mountain Park Historic District that was listed on the National Register in 2021 as part of a Certified Local Government grant awarded to Pima County. The campground consists of a variety of architectural features constructed by the Civilian Conservation Corps in the 1930s. Pima County developed a comprehensive master plan for the campground in 2020 that inventoried and documented all campground structures. Pima County is funding the development of construction documents to rehabilitate several of the inventoried features. Pima County is applying for this grant to fund the rehabilitation of these important structures in order to preserve the legacy of the CCC and their outstanding contribution to recreation in Tucson Mountain Park.

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**Project Sponsor: Stratford Art Works, Inc.**

**Project: Teatro Carmen Rehabilitation**

**Amount Awarded: \$300,000.00 Match: \$200,000.00 Total: \$200,000.00**



This project will return the “face” of the 1915 Teatro Carmen to the neighborhood, Tucson and Southern Arizona. Starting with the removal of two layers of stucco to uncover the original brick facade, the project will restore the original three-arched entryway to the theater reclaiming the now enclosed covered entry porch. The remaining adobe wall on the southern end of the building will be repaired. The restored ground-level space will incorporate interpretive history panels highlighting the Mexican-American and African-American history of the building from 1915-1986 and plans for the full interior rehabilitation. The project is being guided by both historic documentation and the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards, as the building is on the National Register and a significant site within the National Historic Landmark district nomination. Preservation and rehabilitation of this building is a community priority.

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**Project Sponsor: Tucson Parks & Recreation**

**Project: Historic Ft. Lowell Rehabilitation**

**Amount Awarded: \$300,000.00 Match: \$150,000.00 Total: \$450,000.00**



The Historic Fort Lowell Rehabilitation Project envisions this landmark of US military history as an attraction integrated with other historic sites to provide education, enrichment, and enjoyment of visitors. Over time, the City has acquired parcels relevant to the interpretation of the Fort. This project will open the important histories of Fort Lowell through: rehabilitation of the Fort Commissary, interpretive signage and walking path; site markers indicating locations of Fort facilities no longer standing; preservation of, and protective cover for, the Fort Hospital; restoration of Officer’s Quarters Interior to make available for docent-led tours; and restoration of Cottonwood Lane. In combination with other funding sources, the Historic Fort Lowell Rehabilitation Project will welcome casual and expert visitors with opportunities to deepen their sense of place and the scope of military operations in the Tucson area.

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**Project Sponsor: City of Phoenix**  
**Project: Edison Impact Hub**  
**Amount Awarded: \$300,000.00**

**Match: \$120,000.00 Total: \$420,000.00**



**Exterior Walls**



**Casement Windows**

The Edison Impact Hub is an adaptive reuse of the historically significant Crippled Children’s Hospital built in 1942 and designed in the Southwestern Mission style. The project work includes preservation and rehabilitation of 48 original steel casement windows, New barrel roof tiles will replace asphalt shingles. Three of the four infilled courtyard breezeways will be reopened by removing the CMU wall infills and steel windows that breezeways were enclosed. The cast-concrete breezeway walls will be rehabilitated with new lath, smooth stucco, and paint sheathings; replacement steel casement windows that replicate the original windows will be installed in the restored courtyard window openings. Fourteen non-period exterior doors will be replaced and the original arched front entry opening will be restored.

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**Project Sponsor: Dunbar Coalition**  
**Project: Dunbar School Project**  
**Awarded Amount: \$150,000.00**

**Match: \$100,000.00 Total: \$250,000.00**



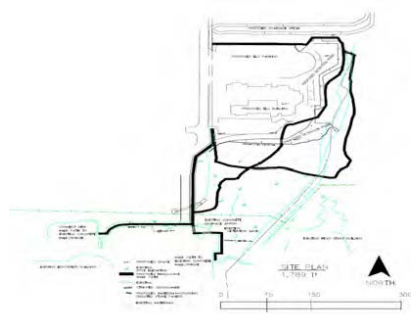
The restoration project being proposed is of three large and one small classroom in the Dunbar School building dating from 1918. These are the last rooms to be renovated to complete the ground floor of the Dunbar School building, the older of two buildings comprising this historic campus, which tells the story of segregated education of African American children in Tucson, Arizona. When completed, these rooms will provide gallery space for the Dunbar African American Museum and house the Dunbar historic archive. The proposed scope of work consists of interior renovation, including all interior finishes, HVAC equipment and delivery system, and electrical power and lighting; approximately 1000 square feet.

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**HERITAGE FUND NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS  
 FY 2023**

**Project Sponsor: Pascua Yaqui Tribe**  
**Project Title: Ewame Voo'o Cultural Trail**

**Awarded Amount : \$50,000.00 Match: \$50,000.00 Total: \$100,000.00**



The Pascua Yaqui Tribe (PYT), "The Ewame Voo'o (Thinker) Cultural Trail" will provide cognitive and physical development to tribal children and members. In addition, PYT Social Services Department will partner with Economic Development to combine trails for a unique learning opportunity of immersive curriculum and nature environment that is responsive to the Yoeme Language, history, and culture. Trail Development: 1) 212 LF or 0.04 miles services trail that directly connects the Boys & Girls Club, and PYT Head Start buildings. 2) 157 LF or 0.03 miles to connect and expand to an established trail at the Education building, 3) 139 LF or 0.03 miles for another connecting trail at Head Start, and 4) two cultural educational trail crossings totaling 0.14 miles that will both connect to the existing trail adjacent to the Education building. Nature of Work: (1) Fun Tri-Lingual signage for social development and teaching in English, Spanish and Yoeme Language, (2) Interpretive protective signage of native plants and animals with QR-Codes boxes, (3) Have cultural art, shaded benches, trails markers, and solar lighting of the pathways. Scope of Work: An 8' stabilized decomposed granite pathways to be constructed with 3" depth stabilized decomposed granite compacted subgrade undisturbed native soil. Total trail length is .34 miles with ADA guidelines.

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**Project Sponsor: City of Yuma**  
**Project Title: West Wetlands Playground Trail**

**Awarded Amount: \$50,000.00 Match: \$10,940.00 Total: \$60,940.00**



The West Wetlands Playground Trail will improve ADA parking facilities and provide ADA accessibility by way of a concrete pathway from a large destination playground which features several inclusive play pieces to an adjacent restroom facility, as well as the pond and ramadas in West Wetlands Park. . The project will be completed in-house. Due to the inclusive nature of the playground in the park, this trail will be used by persons of all abilities and ages. The amenities in the park, accessed by this trail, will also attract visitors from as far as 300 miles. Funding will also be used to install wayfinding signs on the connector trail. This grant will assist with providing two benches alongside the trail. In addition, the surface in the parking area / trail head parking will be improved by slurry sealing and new striping.

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**Project Sponsor: Verde Valley Trail Fund**

**Project: Copper Chief Trail Development—Season 2**

**Amount Awarded: \$50,000.00 Match: \$89,143.00 Total: \$139,143.00**



This Heritage Fund grant, augmented with other fundraising, will perform the following during the 2nd field season (2022-2023): completion of 3 to 5 miles of the Copper Chief Trail, cattle guards, restoration of illegal trails. Work during this 2nd field season will be performed by a combination of FS personnel, professional trail builders, youth conservation corps members and volunteers.

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**FY 2022**

**Project Sponsor: Town of Snowflake**

**Project: Cottonwood Wash Trail**

**Amount Awarded: \$80,515.00**

**Match: \$80,515.00**

**Total: \$161,030.00**



The proposed 2.5 mile shared-use trail will connect with the town of Taylor. The trail will be built along an existing wash and open to hikers, bikers and equestrians. The need for connecting trails and outdoor recreation was apparent during the pandemic when people were looking for areas to recreate while safely distancing. The funding will be used to construct a trailhead, vault toilet, fencing and the trail.

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**Project Sponsor: National Forest Foundation**

**Project: Santa Catalina Trails: Rehabilitation**

**Amount Awarded: \$100,000.00**

**Match: \$36,740.00**

**Total: \$136,740.00**



The National Forest Foundation (NFF) proposes a 2-year project to rehabilitate 7 non-motorized, multi-use trails on the Coronado National Forest. The trails were heavily damaged in 2020 by the Bighorn Fire, with nearly 120,000 acres burned. The summer's monsoon season resulted in flooding, washouts, and vegetation growth, exacerbating damage. Using volunteers along with a skilled crew, NFF will work with the Forest to re-open these trails. The work will focus on identifying, marking, and removing vegetation from the trail alignments to improve the safety and quality of users' experience and to protect sensitive areas. Also, repairing heavily damaged trail sections by constructing natural stone structures to remove water, stabilize tread and prevent future erosion, and rebuilding tread surface where needed.

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**Project Sponsor: TRACKS Inc.**

**Project: White Mountains Trail System (WMTS)**

**Amount Awarded: \$59,125.00**

**Match: \$25,800.00**

**Total: \$84,925.00**



Purchase and installation of 43 bike/hike ramp gates on the White Mountains Trail System (WMTS), a 200+ mile non-motorized trail system in the US Forest Service Lakeside Ranger District of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests. All major trails of the WMTS are loops, with connector trails forming a trail system. There are many areas across the Lakeside district that are fenced for cattle grazing, so installation of these ramp gates will improve and facilitate trail usage of hikers and mountain bikers, as well as keep cattle secure since users often forget to close gates. Each ramp gate will be installed in an existing fence line beside an existing gate so that hikers and mountain bikers will not have to open or close the existing gate. Making non-motorized trails more accessible and user friendly, and keeping cattle more secure.

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**Project Sponsor: Verde Valley Cyclists**

**Project: Blowout Wash Phase III—Copper Chief Trail**

**Amount Awarded: \$88,400.00    Match: \$32,665.50    Total: \$121,055.60**



Construction consists of the 10-mile Copper Chief and 5-mile Quail Springs Trails through a combination of mechanized/hand construction by FS personnel, Americorps crews and volunteers. The Copper Chief Trail will connect to the 8-mile long Mingus Mountain Black Canyon Trail which will access the Blowout Wash from the top of Mingus Mountain. The Quail Springs Trail will connect the Copper Chief Trail with the PNF Black Canyon Trailhead permitting a 12-mile loop option. Due to the rugged backcountry and a six-month trail season due to heat and monsoons, this phase to take at least three field seasons to complete. <https://www.vvcc.us/page-18166>

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**Project Sponsor: Flagstaff**

**Project: Buffalo Park Trail Improvements—Heritage Fund**

**Amount Awarded: \$100,000.00    Match: \$135,000.00    Total: \$235,453.00**





This project will enhance accessibility for all users of the Nate Avery FUTS Trail in Buffalo Park. The intent is to bring the trail and other features of the park into alignment with the Americans with Disabilities Act so that a broader segment of the community – including people with mobility limitations and those who use wheelchairs – can use the trail and enjoy the natural area. Buffalo Park is 215-acre City park and natural area on Switzer Mesa that is one of the most popular areas in Flagstaff for walking, bicycling, and enjoying the outdoors. The Nate Avery Trail is a 2-mile loop around the park that provides panoramic views of the mountains to the north. The trail is 10 feet in width and surfaced with aggregate material.

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## HERITAGE FUND ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PROJECT

**FY 2023**

**Project Sponsor: Arizona State Parks & Trails**

**Project Title: Arizona Family Camp Out**

**Awarded Amount: \$49,470.00 Match: \$131,796.00 Total: \$181,266.00**



Arizona Family Camp Out is an educational program that teaches families how to safely camp and recreate in Arizona for the last 10 years. The program teaches families who have little or no experience in the outdoors. The program educates participants in a number of activities: hiking, mountain biking, kayaking, fishing, archery, safe tent set up, water management, how to fit a life jacket, fire management, plant life, animal life, and more. Funding will be used for new equipment and supplies for the program including bikes, fishing supplies, camping supplies and upgrades to trailer housing this equipment.

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**Project Sponsor: El Grupo Youth Cycling**

**Project Title: El Grupo Cares**

**Awarded Amount: \$50,000.00 Match: \$6,240.00 Total: \$56,240.00**



El Grupo Cycling engages Tucson area youth, ages seven to eighteen who participate in biking activities. These youth cycling programs build physical skills such as endurance, balance, and core strength, as well as personal skills such as self- confidence, communication, and problem-solving skills. Funding from the Arizona Parks & Trails Heritage Fund will underwrite equipment and youth mentorship for El Grupo Youth Cycling. A portion of the grant would replace half of the fleet, 25 bikes, supporting 50 youth riders. Funds will underwrite brake pads, chains, suspensions, bicycle cassettes, pedals, inner tubes, and tires, as well as one air compressor. A portion of grant funding will also underwrite a percentage of time for a bicycling coordinator and a bike packing Coordinator. Both team members steward education and community service projects, provide mentorship, and work closely with our riders every day on skills and safety.

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**Project Sponsor: K-12 Foundation**

**Project Title: Kids on the Colorado**

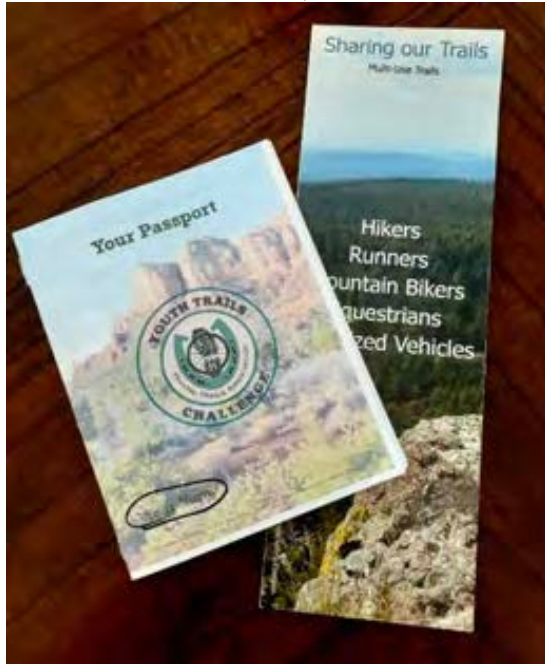
**Awarded Amount: \$42,050.00 Match: \$10,950.00 Total: \$53,000.00**



Kids On the Colorado River (KOCR) is a non-profit learning program designed to use local educators and Colorado River based agency resources to educate Middle School students from the Lake Havasu City community. In conjunction with the Lake Havasu Unified School District (LUHSD), students visit the State Park for a day of outdoor education classes. Each student is also provided a boat tour of Lake Havasu and the Bridgewater Channel. Education goals include how to become stewards of the Colorado River, the importance of the river for the community, responsible and safe outdoor recreation, the significance of the Chemehuevi Reservation and Lake Havasu history. Funding will be used for boat rentals, signs and printing, notebooks, radios, transportation, insurance and event costs.

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**Project Sponsor: Yavapai Trails Association**  
**Project Title: Yavapai Youth Trail Challenge**  
**Awarded Amount: \$5,025.00 Match: \$7,555.40 Total: \$12,580.40**



Funds from the grant will provide all the passports, LNT, trail etiquette materials, printing, mailing and website additions needed to offer the program to 10,700 students from the Prescott, Humboldt, and Chino Valley Unified School Districts. The Challenge Passport is designed to be a self-paced program with no time limit for completion. It is designed to engage "families" to participate with their youngsters as they become enriched in this outdoor educational program. We anticipate 100 youth to complete in the first year of the program. The Challenge includes: Completing a Leave No Trace component, trail etiquette component, select a Wilderness Trail to hike, and finally participate in one 4-hour workday. The students will receive a patch and certificate once completed.

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**Project Sponsor: Wickenburg Cultural and Conservation Foundation**  
**Project Title: Community Clean and Beautiful**  
**Awarded Amount: \$3,770.00 Match: \$3,893.00 Total: \$7,663.50**



This project is an expansion of the successful 3-year Wickenburg Clean and Beautiful program. It is a state-wide call to action to get people throughout Arizona to take ownership of keeping their community recreational areas clean and safe. Specifically, funding request will be to design, print, and distribute a two-sided, bi-lingual tri-fold brochure to provide guidelines on how to organize an ongoing periodic or one-time clean up. The brochure, developed in partnership with public land management agencies and other related non-profits, will include Leave No Trace principles and information on how to contact and engage public land managers, get project supplies funded, recruit and train volunteers, and optimize publicity. Funding is needed to translate the text into Spanish and print up to 10,000 copies for distribution over the next two years by volunteer ambassadors at OHV and non-OHV recreational sites, through Chambers of Commerce, OHV rental companies, and outreach events throughout the state.

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**Project Sponsor: Arizona Elk Society**

**Project: Youth Education Project**

**Amount Awarded: \$50,000.00      Match:\$47,000.00      Total: \$97,000.00**



Arizona Elk Society’s (AES) signature education programs provide the pathway needed to educate, recruit, retrain and inspire the next generation of outdoorsmen and women. This proposal requests the support for the following 3 major youth programs. Mesquite Wildlife Oasis, an outdoor classroom to provide an educational program to learn about Arizona’s wildlife and ecology. Wild in the City is an outdoor skills day camp to introduce outdoor recreation and skills to youth that have had very little or no outdoor recreation. The Wapiti Weekend is a two day of outdoor recreation activities for youth. This event has roughly 50 volunteers providing 100 participants with varied outdoor activities. Funding will be used fishing poles, facility rental, camp supplies and educational materials and transportation. Funding will also partially fund an educational coordinator.

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**Project Sponsor: Lake Havasu City**

**Project: Sara Park Destination and Trail Signage**

**Amount Awarded: \$35,000.00    Match: \$3,889.00    Total: \$38,889.00**

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**Project Sponsor: Creek Valley Health Clinic**

**Project: Mountain Bike Support Project**

**Amount Awarded: \$50,000.00    Match: \$5,696.00    Total: \$55,696.00**

This project received funds to support mountain biking recreation, education, safety, and engagement for residents of Colorado City (AZ) and the surrounding community. Project activities will primarily be targeted to youth and adolescents involved or interested in mountain biking. Funding will be used for acquiring mountain bikes and equipment for these youth. Project would also included the purchase of a trailer that would be used to transport the bikes.

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**Project Sponsor: Arizona Trail Association**

**Project: Seeds of Stewardship Program**

**Amount Awarded: \$46,350.00    \$ 5,150.00    Total: \$51,500.00**



The seeds of stewardship programs provide educational and meaningful outdoor experiences that empower youth to become the next generation of stewards of Arizona’s wild landscapes. The program is statewide and engages, inspires, and empowers middle school and high school students to plan the seeds of stewardship for future generations. Funding will be used for instructors, assistants, fuel for transportation vans and van rentals.

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**Project Sponsor: Sonoran Desert Mountain Bicyclists**

**Project: Bike Ambassador Program**

**Awarded Amount: \$2,250.00    Match: \$250.00    Total: \$2,500.00**



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The project will provide funding for the SDMB ambassador program. The volunteer ambassadors will be patrolling trails throughout Pima County. They will be interacting with other users and providing education on controlling your speed, respecting other users and paying attention while on the trail. Funding will be used for identifying jerseys for these volunteers, educational materials and packs for assisting users of the trail.

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**Project Sponsor: Verde River Institute**

**Project: Verde River Riparian Monitoring and Education**

**Amount Awarded: \$21,000.00      Match: \$12,100.00      Total: \$33,100.00**



The Verde River Institute will conduct regular on-site and in-classroom instruction for school-aged students as well as adult learners. The course of instruction will include strategies and methods of monitoring a riparian tract along the Verde River, assessing ecosystem conditions, and documenting changes in the system. The classes will emphasize stressors that affect the health of the riparian forest, recreational opportunities and impacts, diversity of the biota, identification of life forms, etc. Students will conduct testing of water, soils, streamflow, recreational use, etc. One educational exercise may engage students in a project of feral livestock exclusion from the Verde River's riparian zone. Other than using a small soil pH meter, no soils will be disturbed in this project. The outcomes from this project will be a healthier, better-understood and more diverse ecosystem, and a cohort of students who understand the mathematics, statistics, biology and recreational management of a riparian system.

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**Project Sponsor: Verde Valley Cyclists**

**Project: Red Rock Bike Patrol (RRBP) Outfitting and Skills Training**

**Amount Awarded: \$9,596.00      Match: \$3,567.50      Total: \$13,163.50**



The RRBP actively assists, educates and informs the following multi-use trail users in the Red Rock Ranger District of the Coconino and Verde Ranger District of the Prescott National Forests. Funding will be used to procure RRBP jerseys for new patrollers; replacement patches, handlebar plates and first aid kits as well as skills training refreshers. The key outcomes for this project is to act as Forest Service ambassadors and encourage students to experience a larger sense of obligation to their wellbeing, school and community involvement, and trail stewardship.

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**Project Sponsor: Flagstaff Youth Riders Inc**

**Project: FLYRS Capacity Build**

**Amount Awarded: \$49,500.00**

**Match: \$20,484.00**

**Total: \$69,984.00**



This grant will support the retention and increased workload of 2 part time Program Managers. The School Program Manager is responsible for managing all aspects of our school based programs, and the Junior Program Manager is tasked with overseeing our other programs such as a spring session, summer camps, and fall session. Together they will manage FLYRS over 40 paid and volunteer coaches. In 2021 FLYRS received a grant to hire Program Managers to support the Executive Director, allowing FLYRS to almost double capacity from 291 (2019) to 569 youth served in 2021.

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**Project Sponsor: City of Flagstaff Parks Recreation & Open Space**

**Project: Open Space Education**

**Amount Awarded: \$50,000.00**

**Match: \$5,500.00**

**Total: \$55,500.00**



Funding will allow Flagstaff Open Space to promote and provide outdoor environmental protection programs and recreational opportunities for the community, especially for indigenous and historically underrepresented youth, through the continuation and expansion of the Indigenous Youth STEAM Academy. The goal of this program is to provide indigenous youth with the opportunity to learn about STEAM-related fields in conjunction with traditional culture, community, and environmental stewardship. The City of Flagstaff identifies as being 12% Native American, yet the percentage of indigenous students continuing their education in STEAM fields is disproportionately low, representing only 0.5% of students nationwide.

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**Project Sponsor: Verde Valley Wheel Fun**

**Project: FUN Program Director**

**Amount Awarded: \$50,000.00 Match: \$79,048.00 Total: \$129,048.00**

FUN promotes safe, responsible recreational trail use and environmental stewardship to Verde Valley students. FUN uses mountain biking (MTB) to accomplish its work and currently operates after-school MTB clubs at 13 public Verde Valley schools. This grant request, combined with other funding sources, will be used to fund full time professional paid staff that will run FUN’s operations and teach safe and responsible recreational trail use and provide such access to students in the Verde Valley. Full time paid staff allows for increased focus and efficiency in promoting and educating youth on responsible and safe trail use.

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**Project Sponsor: Wickenburg Cultural and Conservation Foundation**

**Project: -Leave No Trace/Why it Matters Video**

**Amount Awarded: \$8,300.00 Match: \$5,708.00 Total: \$14,008.00**

<https://vimeo.com/manage/videos/724082965> (submitted videos)

Wickenburg Foundation wants to expand their Leave No Trace program to include a “Why it Matters” (to Leave No Trace) 7–10 minute video to engage younger members of the community and to reach a much broader audience throughout the state. Students from area high schools, working the Wickenburg High School TV and Media teachers will shoot videos of why keeping the desert clean matters to them. Students will be given guidelines but will be encouraged to use their creativity. An ASU professor will assist with final scripting. The teachers will oversee the entire project, do the voice over and complete the final production by August 2022. Several OHV groups have already agreed to post the completed video on their websites. The video will be posted on multiple social media sites and incorporate it into the Desert Awareness program and use it at community outreach events.

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**Project Sponsor: Tread Lightly!**

**Project: Program Manager**

**Amount Awarded: \$100,000.00**

**Match: \$11,198.00**

**Total: \$111,198.00**



This funding will support a comprehensive statewide campaign incorporating ethics education and stewardship project components. In order to complete program objectives, Tread Lightly! will hire a program manager for the state of Arizona. Tread Lightly! will implement its education and stewardship programming to provide consistent messaging across boundaries and provide opportunities for the recreating public to give back to the areas where they recreate. With increased environmental awareness and knowledge of not only how to physically improve trails but also the knowledge of what it takes to manage public lands, impacts and user conflict will be minimized.

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**Project Sponsor: Peoria**

**Project: Leave No Trace**

**Amount Awarded: \$6,118.00 Match: \$1,158.00**

**Total: \$7,276.00**



This grant was used to fund full time professional paid staff that will run the SRRTF's operations while educating and informing the public on the importance of trail maintenance and safe, responsible trail use. The responsibilities of the paid staff would include meeting with the FS, local businesses, the City of Sedona, Yavapai and Coconino Counties, Sedona Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Bureau as well as other like-minded non-profit organizations, creating and distributing promotional materials, and managing a website.

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**Project Sponsor: Sedona Red Rock Trail Fund**

**Project: Program Coordinator**

**Amount Awarded: \$99,400.00 Match: \$11,048.00 Total: 110,448.00**



This grant will cover the cost to roll out the Leave No Trace awareness program to river and trail stewards, Park Rangers and the public. The course will teach participants about the 7 Leave No Trace principles and how the participants can spread the Leave No Trace message. The money will be used to pay for instructors, training material and to create publicity for the training classes. The aim is to train 80 people spread over 4 (3 hour) sessions of 20 people each.

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