

# LAND AND RECREATION GRANT PROGRAMS



## Land and Water Conservation Fund

Provides federal funds to acquire or develop lands for public outdoor recreation. Eligible applicants: local governmental entities with the legal responsibility for providing public outdoor recreational sites and facilities.

- Grant awards must be matched 50:50.
- Refer to the current application for maximum grant amounts.
- Funding is contingent upon approval by the National Park Service.

## Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program

Provides state funds to acquire or develop lands for public outdoor recreation. Eligible applicants: municipal and county governments and other authorized entities with the legal responsibility to provide public outdoor recreation.

- Projects of \$50,000 or less qualify for a 100 percent grant. A local match is required for grants greater than \$50,000.
- Maximum grant amount is \$200,000.

## Recreational Trails Program

Provides federal grants for projects that provide, renovate or maintain motorized and non-motorized recreational trails, trail heads and trailside facilities. Eligible applicants: municipal or local governments, state agencies, federal agencies, Indian tribal governments and nonprofit corporations that have an agreement with a governmental agency to develop public lands.

- All grant awards must be matched. Applicants choose either 50:50, 60:40, or 80:20 match.
- Refer to the current application for maximum grant amounts.

## Florida Communities Trust

Two grants are funded through Florida Forever.

**Parks and Open Space** provides grant funds to local governments and nonprofit environmental organizations to acquire conservation lands, urban open spaces, parks and greenways.

**Stan Mayfield Working Waterfronts** provides grants to acquire interests in land for the restoration and preservation of working waterfronts.

- Small local governments and cities with a population of 10,000 or less, small counties with a population of 75,000 or less, and nonprofit organizations qualify for a 100 percent grant.
- A local match is required of all other applicants.

## Sustainable Initiatives

Two designation programs under sustainable initiatives umbrella.

**Florida Green Lodging Program** designates and recognizes lodging facilities that make a commitment to conserve and protect Florida's natural resources by evaluating operations, set goals and take specific actions to continuously improve environmental performance.

**Florida Green School Program** recognizes schools that make a commitment to conserve and protect Florida's natural resources by improving environmental performance creating a healthier environment for students and employees while reducing water, energy use and waste to help lower operating costs.

*The Land and Recreation Grant Programs promote and foster partnerships to enhance and sustain Florida's natural and cultural resources and provide increased outdoor recreational opportunities for Florida's residents and visitors.*