

## **2022 LWCF Funding Request – Pavilion Recreation Complex**

Finance Committee

Greenville County Council

Greenville County Parks, Recreation & Tourism is seeking an opportunity to secure \$300,000 from the Land & Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), a federal grant that requires a minimum 50% match. The local match is secured through the approval of H-Tax Revenue Bond Series 2021B and \$500,000 is allocated to this project. Funds will be used at the Pavilion Recreation Complex to resurface the parking lot and make accessibility improvements to several park amenities.

The parking lot at the Pavilion serves the recently renovated facility as well as athletic fields, tennis courts, playgrounds, picnic areas, and dog parks. This project will put the finishing touches on one of Greenville County's premier recreation sites.

LWCF is a federal grant program funded through the US National Park Service that provides matching grants to States and local governments for the acquisition and development of public parks. Projects funded through the LWCF program are restricted in perpetuity to outdoor recreation use and non-recreational use of the property must be approved by the Secretary of the Department of Interior. LWCF funding was used to originally develop the property in the past making it eligible for reinvestment.

Since the inception of LWCF in the late 1960's, Greenville County has been awarded over \$3.3 million for 26 projects at 17 sites to acquire, develop, and maintain park properties. Most recently, LWCF funds were used for Westside, Northside, and Lakeside Parks (\$500,000) in 2018 and Southside and Pleasant Ridge Parks in 2020 (\$300,000).

Total Project Budget - \$800,000

Greenville County - \$500,000

Land & Water Fund Request - \$300,000