Donation and Grant Fund



DONATION AND GRANT FUND

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LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVES

The Donation and Grant Fund was established to account for assets, grants and donations, held by the District in a trustee capacity, that are restricted by private and local donors and other support groups.

Expenditures amount to \$575,140. Salaries and benefits total \$154,320, contractuals are \$6,000, and capital outlay is \$414,910. The budget reflects a decrease of \$1,248,933 (68.5%) compared to the FY 2015/16 budget. Contractuals decreased \$130,096 (95.6%) due to expenses associated with moving the Lake County Collections to the General Offices. Capital Outlay decreased by \$1,118,838 (72.9%) due to habitat restoration projects from the Natural Resource department.

The tables below list the expenditures by object and by funding source for the Donation and Grant Fund:

	FY 15/16	% of	FY 16/17	% of	Amount	%
EXPENDITURES BY OBJECT:	Budget	Total	Budget	Total	Change	Change
Salaries and Benefits	\$154,230	8.46%	\$154,230	26.82%	\$0	0.00%
Commodities	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Contractuals	136,096	7.46%	6,000	1.04%	(130,096)	-95.59%
Capital Outlay	1,533,748	84.08%	414,910	72.14%	(1,118,838)	-72.95%
Total Expenditures by Object	\$1,824,073	100.00%	\$575,140	100.00%	(\$1,248,933)	-68.47%
	FY 14/15	% of	FY 15/16	% of	Amount	%
EXPENDITURES BY FUNCTION:	Budget	Total	Budget	Total	Change	Change
Youth Conservation Corp	\$130,990	7.18%	\$130,990	22.78%	\$0	0.00%
Environmental Education	137,336	7.53%	29,240	5.08%	(108,096)	-78.71%
Natural Resource	1,555,748	85.29%	414,910	72.14%	(1,140,838)	-73.33%
Total Expenditures by Function	\$1,824,073	100.00%	\$575,140	100.00%	(\$1,248,933)	-68.47%

Budget Request Summary for Fiscal Year 2016/17 Fund: Grants

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	2013/14 Actual	2014/15 Actual	2015/16 Budget	2015/16 Estimate	2016/17 Budget
Revenues					
Donations	141,938	143,635	153,010	133,670	153,010
Other Grants	51,500	3,320	43,840	34,340	0
State Grants	15,510	112,308	0	19,510	0
Federal Grants	493,103	641,846	362,230	1,049,580	329,910
Interest from Investments	(3,418)	10,718	10,910	13,850	10,410
Miscellaneous Revenue	32,942	3,199	0	2,060	0
Total Revenues	\$731,575	\$915,026	\$569,990	\$1,253,010	\$493,330
Expenditures					
Personnel					
Part Time Wages	116,925	104,453	142,460	135,420	142,460
IMRF Contributions	322	686	800	740	800
FICA Contributions	8,914	7,974	10,970	9,870	10,970
Total Personnel	126,161	113,113	154,230	146,030	154,230
Commodities					
Postage	3	2	0	0	0
Operating Supplies	52,514	18,234	0	7,950	0
Total Commodities	52,517	18,236	0	7,950	0
Contractuals					
Legal Fees	9,941	67	0	0	0
Consulting Fees	51,500	0	22,000	12,880	0
Miscellaneous Contractuals	43,265	199,526	114,096	10,200	6,000
Total Contractuals	104,706	199,593	136,096	23,080	6,000
Interfund Transfers	4,851	8,443	0	0	0
Total Operating Expenses	288,235	339,385	290,326	177,060	160,230
Capital					
Capital Imprvmts-Preserves	477,074	1,006,262	1,533,748	504,000	414,910
Total Capital	477,074	1,006,262	1,533,748	504,000	414,910
Total Expenditures	765,309	1,345,647	1,824,073	681,060	575,140
Revenue Excess (Deficit)					
over Expenditures	(33,734)	(430,621)	(1,254,083)	571,950	(81,810)
Beginning Fund Balance	1,491,833	1,458,099	2,709,602	1,027,478	1,599,428
Ending Fund Balance	\$1,458,099	\$1,027,478	\$1,455,519	\$1,599,428	\$1,517,618

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GENERAL PROGRAM STATEMENT

The nature and purpose of this fund is to provide funding for natural resource planning and restoration activities. Funding has been sought from several grant agencies including the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Private Foundations, Great Lakes Restoration Initiative, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, Fish and Wildlife Service, U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. These funds will be used in conjunction with Land Development Levy, Capital Improvement Funds and Development Bond Funds for habitat restoration projects.

RESTORATION AND PLANNING ACTIVITIES

Reconnecting Urban Forests – Fort Sheridan

<u>RECEIVED</u> - State and Private Forestry Grant Program

The District and the City of Lake Forest will address the issues of forest fragmentation and decline of oak dominance by planting a diverse assemblage of over 2500 native trees, primarily oaks, and shrubs as part of a 95.4-acre oak woodland restoration project at Fort Sheridan Forest Preserve, McCormack Ravine and the North-Shore Bike Path Corridor. Planting young cohorts of oaks will help mediate a lack of oak regeneration and increase oak-dominance. Total grant budget is **\$276,280.00**. The two-year project will be completed in FY16.

			FY 2015/16			FY 2016/17	
Grant Budget: \$61 (Project Budget: \$276	,900 6,208)						
Funding: Farm Managem Tree Replacem Total Funds:		\$ 22,000 \$8,900 \$31,000 \$ 61,900			\$ 0 \$0 \$ 0 \$ 0		
In-Kind Services: Total Services:	Partner District		12,000.00 \$ 2000.00 \$ 14,000.00			\$0 \$0 \$0	
Expenditures:	Partner District			\$22,000 \$ 39,900			\$0 \$0
Total Expenditures:				\$ 61,900			\$0

Best Management Practices – Dutch Gap RECEIVED – IEPA 319 Grant

A collaborative grant awarded from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency 319 Program to the Lake County Stormwater Management Commission, allows the District to install best management practices in Dutch Gap Forest Preserve to reduce soil erosion and improve water quality within the sub watershed. The total project budget is \$77,338,80. The grant is anticipated to be completed in FY2017.

			FY 2016/17		FY 2017/18		
Grant Budget: \$77 (Project Budget: \$7							
Funding:	Grant	\$38,669.40			\$ 0.00		
Farm Managemen	nt Fund	\$38,669.40	_		\$0.00		
Το	tal Funds:	\$ 77,338.80			\$ 0.00		
In-Kind Services:	Partner		\$0			\$0	
	District		\$0			\$0	
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Total Services:			\$0			\$ 0.00	
Expenditures:						\$0.00	
	District			\$38669.40			\$ 0.00
Total	-			\$ 38,669.40			\$ 0.00
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Grant Number 56049

Grant Number 56054

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Expenditures:

Middlefork Savanna – Wetland and Savanna Restoration

Grant Number: None

RECEIVED – Violation Funds

The District working with the Illinois Nature Preserves Commission finalized a settlement agreement with the Knollwood Club of Lake Forest for the restoration of wetland and savanna habitat at Middlefork Savanna. This project is scheduled for two years, beginning in FY 2014/15. Total budget is **\$67,500.00**.

		FY 2015/16			FY 2016/17		
Grant Budget: (Project Budget)	\$21,842.52 :: \$67,500)						
Funding:	Settlement Agreement	\$21,842.52			\$0		
Total Funds:		\$ 21,842.52			\$0		
In-Kind Services:	Partner		\$0.00			\$ 0.00	
Total Services:	District		\$0.00 \$0.00			\$ 0.00 \$ 0.00	
Expenditures:	Partner District		\$2 1	842.52, 1,842.52 \$0.00			\$0 \$0
Total Expenditures:			\$ 2 1	,842.52			\$0

Ethel's Woods – North Mill Creek Pool and Riffle Restoration-Phase I RECEIVED –Illinois EPA Section 319 Grant Program

Grant Number 63910

The District proposes to restore the historic North Mill Creek at Ethel's Woods Forest Preserve and abandon Rasmussen Lake. Restoration plans for North Mill Creek will require two phases and multiple years for complete restoration. The North Mill Creek Channel Restoration Phase I will modify the dam and create a new channel of approximately 4500 ft. with a temporary, smaller pond/wetland of 14-acres. Phase I of the restoration will modify the dam to lower the reservoir elevation, over time, allowing a new channel/floodplain/shallow pool system to form. This two-year grant will help fund a portion of the Phase I work. The total Phase I project budget is \$1,492,500.

		FY 2015/16			FY 2016/17		
Grant Budget:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·						
· •	Budget: \$1,492,500)						
Funding:	Grant	\$0		\$0			
Capital Improve	ement Fund \$150),000		\$0			
	Total Funds: \$150),000		\$ 0			
	In-Kind Services				\$ 0		
Total Services:		\$0			\$0		
Expenditures:	Partner		\$0			\$0	
1	District		\$150,000			\$0	
Total Expenditures:			\$150,000			\$0	



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Blanding's Turtle Monitoring Expansion – Great Lakes Restoration Initiative APPLIED FOR – US Fish and Wildlife Service

The Chiwaukee Illinois Beach Lake Plain (Lake Plain) is home to perhaps the largest & most important population of Blanding's Turtles in the state. However, previous monitoring and assessment work has focused primarily on the 290-acre Spring Bluff Nature Preserve. This project would build upon over 10 years of data and expand upon our knowledge of the species extent, distribution and habitat use throughout the Lake Plain and contribute to the development of a Blanding's Turtle Conservation Plan for the entire Lake Plain. Project partners include Northern Illinois University. Total budget for 3 years, beginning in FY2017, is **\$157,095.** If funded, this project will be completed in FY2020.

		FY 2015/16				FY 2016/17		
Grant Budget: \$ 52 (Project Budget: \$157	2,500 7,095)							
Funding: Operating	Grant Supplies	\$ O			\$ 35,570 \$8,000			
Total Funds:		\$ 0			\$ 43,570			
In-Kind Services: Total Services:	Partner		\$ 0 \$ 0			\$ 9,000 \$ 9,000		
Expenditures:	Partner District			\$ 0 \$ 0			\$ 35,570 \$ 8,000	
Total Expenditures:	-			\$ 0			\$ 43,570	

Blanding's Turtle Monitoring Expansion – Illinois Coastal Management Program APPLIED FOR – Illinois Department of Natural Resources

Grant Number: TBD

The Chiwaukee Illinois Beach Lake Plain (Lake Plain) is home to perhaps the largest & most important population of Blanding's Turtles in the state. However, previous monitoring and assessment work has focused primarily on the 290-acre Spring Bluff Nature Preserve. This project would build upon over 10 years of data and expand upon our knowledge of the species extent, distribution and habitat use throughout the Lake Plain and contribute to the development of a Blanding's Turtle Conservation Plan for the entire Lake Plain. Project partners include Northern Illinois University. Total budget for 2 years, beginning in FY2017, is **\$96,308.00.** If funded, this project will be completed in FY2018.

		FY 201		FY 2016/17		
Grant Budget: \$5 (Project Budget: \$96	9,689 ,308)					
Funding: Operating Habitat R	Grant Supplies estoration	\$ O		\$ 24,000 \$ 5,030 \$ 12,588		
Total Funds:		\$ 0		\$ 41,618		
In-Kind Services:	Partner District		\$ 0 \$ 0		\$ 5,000 \$ 13,071	
Total Services:			\$ 0		\$ 18,071	
Expenditures:	Partner District		\$ 0 \$ 0			\$ 0 \$ 41,618
Total Expenditures:			\$ 0			\$ 41,618

Grant Number: TBD



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Lake Michigan Watershed Invasive Plant Strike Team – Sustain Our Great Lakes

Grant Number 56050

<u> RECEIVED – GLRI Sustain Our Great Lakes Grant Program</u>

A grant awarded from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation to expand the scope of the Lake Plain Invasive Plant Strike Team from Spring Bluff, Chiwaukee Prairie, and Illinois Beach State Park to include the ravine and tributary communities throughout the watershed in Lake County, including Fort Sheridan Forest Preserve and other Partner lands will contain and eradicate a common suite of early detection invasive plant species in the highest quality coastal communities and along the known pathways of spread. Total budget for two and a half years is estimated at **\$582,765**. This project began in January of 2015 and be completed in FY2017.

		FY 2015/16				FY 2016/17	
Grant Budget: \$ 58 (Project Budget: \$58)	82,765 2,765)						
Funding:	Grant	\$ 198,633			\$198,632 \$ 0		
Total Funds:		\$ 198,633	- -		\$ 198,632		
In-Kind Services:	Partner District		\$ 68,014.50 \$ 36,789.21			\$80,696.29 \$ 0	
Total Services:		\$	104,803.71			\$80,696.29	
Expenditures:	Partner District			\$ 0 \$ 198,633			\$ 0 \$198,632
Total Expenditures:				\$ 198,633			\$ 198,632

Coastal Habitat Restoration – Spring Bluff

Grant Number 56052

RECEIVED – US Fish and Wildlife Service Coastal Grant Program

A cooperative agreement with the U.S Fish and Wildlife Service Coastal Program was provided to the District to expand the scope of wetland invasive plant control, savanna restoration and wildlife monitoring in Spring Bluff. US Fish and Wildlife will provide technical assistance in wildlife monitoring efforts as part of this project. Total budget is **\$160,000.00.** This three-year project will be completed in FY2017.

		FY 2015/16		FY 2016/17		
Grant Budget: \$160,000						
(Project Budget: \$160	,000)					
Funding:	Grant	\$ 48,718.15		\$ 31,281.85		
Habitat Restorati	on Fund	\$24,687.00		\$55,313.00		
Total Funds:	-	\$ 73,405.15		\$86,594.85		
In-Kind Services:	Partner		<mark>\$ 0</mark>		\$ 0	
	District		<u>\$0</u>		\$ 0	
Total Services:			\$ 0		\$0	
Expenditures	Dortoor		¢۵			¢ 0.
Expenditures:	Partner		\$0			\$0
	District		\$ 73,405.15			\$ 86,594.85
Total Expenditures:			\$ 73,405.15			\$ 86,594.85



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Coastal Habitat Restoration – Greenbelt

Grant Number 56037

RECEIVED - Illinois Coastal Management Grant Program

A grant applied for from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources Coastal Management Program to expand woody and wetland invasive plant control at Greenbelt Forest Preserve will restore prairie, shrub and savanna habitat and expand volunteer stewardship at the site in partnership with Chicago Audubon and Lake County Audubon. Total budget for two year is estimated at **\$205,000.** If awarded, this project will be completed in FY2017.

		FY 2015/16		FY 2016/17		
Grant Budget: \$2 (Project Budget: \$2	244,108.00 244,108.00)					
Funding:	Grant	\$0.00		\$100,000.00		
Habitat Restora	ation Fund	\$59,875.00		\$23,125.00		
Tree Replacen	nent Fund	7,500.00		\$0.00		
Total Funds:	-	\$ 67,375.00		\$123,125.00		
In-Kind Services:	Partner	\$ 8,975.00			\$ 8,975.00	
	District	\$ 20,329.00			\$15,329.00	
Total Services:	-	\$ 29,304.00			\$24,304.00	
Expenditures:	Partner		\$0.00			\$20,000.00
	District		\$67,375.00			\$103,125.00
Total			\$67,375.00			\$123,125.00
Expenditures:						

Savanna Habitat Restoration - Middlefork

Grant Number 56051

Received – Chi-Cal Grant Program

The District in partnership with the City of Lake Forest and Lake Forest Openlands will restore 178 acres along the north branch of the Chicago River at Middlefork Savanna. Work will include drain tile removal, invasive brush removal, and native seeding to restore wetlands and prairies and reduce flooding and erosion. The project budget totals \$810,776.39. This is a 3-year grant to be completed in FY2017.

		FY 2015/2016	FY 2016/2017			
Grant Budget: \$174,638.00 (Project Budget: \$810,776.39)						
Funding:	Grant	\$ 101.600.00		\$0.00		
Habitat Restoration Fund		<u>\$ 73.038.00</u>		\$ 0.00		
Total Funds:		\$ 174,638.00		\$ 0.00		
In-Kind Services:	Partner	\$ 12,665.00			\$ 0.00	
	District	\$ 42,900.00			\$ 0.00	
Total Services:		\$ 55,565.00			\$0.00	
Expenditures:	Partner	\$ 38,080.00				\$0.00
	District	\$ 13	86,558.00	\$0.00		
Total Expenditures:		\$ 17	4,638.00			\$ 0.00





	2013/14 Actual	2014/15 Actual	2015/16 Budget	2015/16 Estimate	2016/17 Request
Revenues					
Grants & Donations	560,113	757,474	406,070	1,103,430	329,910
Interest from Investment	137	312	60	120	60
Total Revenues	\$560,250	\$757,786	\$406,130	\$1,103,550	\$329,970
Expenditures					
Contractuals	51,500	0	22,000	12,880	0
Total Operating Expenses	51,500	0	22,000	12,880	0
Capital	473,318	990,262	1,533,748	496,000	414,910
Total Expenditures	524,818	990,262	1,555,748	508,880	414,910
Revenue Excess (Deficit) over Expenditures	35,432	(232,476)	(1,149,618)	594,670	(84,940)
Beginning Fund Balance	39,378	74,810	1,538,898	(157,666)	437,004
Ending Fund Balance	\$74,810	\$(157,666)	\$389,280	\$437,004	\$352,064

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LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVES

GENERAL PROGRAM STATEMENT

The Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) summer program is funded through contributions from Lake County corporations, small businesses, and individuals to support conservation-related employment and environmental education for youth, ages 16 to 18 years. These funds are raised through the efforts of the YCC, Inc., board.

The youth in this program complete natural resource management, construction and maintenance projects throughout the District. The crews will receive training in environmental awareness, teamwork, work and life skills development, career planning, first aid and cardio pulmonary resuscitation.

KEY OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2016-17

- Perform clearing, planting and other natural resource management tasks at Spring Bluff and the surrounding landscapes as part of the Chiwaukee Illinois Beach Lake Plane Habitat Restoration Project.
- Install 25,000 native plants at Middlefork Savanna
- Assist with the operation of Rollins Savanna Seed Nursery:
 - Install native plants as needed.
 - Mulch and water nursery stock throughout the summer.
 - Harvest native seed.
- Resurface woodchip trails at Lakewood, Independence Grove and Van Patten Woods.
- Participate in Buckthorn removal at various preserves.

Budget Request Summary for Fiscal Year 2016/17Fund:6100Youth Conservation Corps

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	2013/14 Actual	2014/15 Actual	2015/16 Budget	2015/16 Estimate	2016/17 Request
Revenues					
Donations	115,461	102,313	130,990	111,650	130,990
Total Revenues	\$115,461	\$102,313	\$130,990	\$111,650	\$130,990
Expenditures					
Personnel					
Part Time Wages	105,996	90,686	121,680	106,000	121,680
FICA Contributions	8,108	6,921	9,310	8,110	9,310
Total Personnel	114,104	97,607	130,990	114,110	130,990
Revenue Excess (Deficit) over Expenditures	1,357	4,706	0	(2,460)	0
Beginning Fund Balance	(3,597)	(2,240)	(1)	2,466	6
Ending Fund Balance	\$(2,240)	\$2,466	\$(1)	\$6	\$6



GENERAL PROGRAM STATEMENT

Non-tax support of cultural and historical programs at the Lake County Discovery Museum is cultivated and solicited in the form of grants, donations, and sponsorships from private individuals, foundations, corporations, and state and federal sources. These funds are used to improve existing facilities and services, and to initiate projects that otherwise could not be accomplished because of limited funds.

KEY OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2016-17

- Work with the Preservation Foundation of the Lake County Forest Preserves to identify and apply for additional funding sources for the relocation of the museum's historic collections to a new collections care facility at the General Offices in Libertyville. Possible grant opportunities include the Institute of Museum and Library Services, National Endowment for the Humanities, and National Endowment for the Arts.
- Spend approximately \$1.3 million out of the museum's endowment in support of the collections care facility construction project.
- Place all non-designated gifts in the Museum Relocation Fund.



	2013/14 Actual	2014/15 Actual	2015/16 Budget	2015/16 Estimate	2016/17 Request
Grants & Donations	18,707	32,299	16,020	16,020	16,020
Interest from Investments	(3,593)	10,406	10,850	13,730	10,350
Miscellaneous Revenue	32,942	3,199	0	2,060	0
Total Revenues	\$48,056	\$45,904	\$26,870	\$31,810	\$26,370
Expenditures					
Personnel	12,057	15,506	23,240	31,920	23,240
Commodities	32,498	14,112	0	7,950	0
Contractuals	49,406	196,193	108,096	5,700	0
Interfund Transfers	294	0	0	0	0
Total Operating Expenses	94,255	225,811	131,336	45,570	23,240
Revenue Excess (Deficit) over Expenditures	(46,199)	(179,907)	(104,466)	(13,760)	3,130
Beginning Fund Balance	1,394,872	1,348,673	1,150,989	1,168,766	1,155,006
Ending Fund Balance	\$1,348,673	\$1,168,766	\$1,046,523	\$1,155,006	\$1,158,136



GENERAL PROGRAM STATEMENT

Non-tax support of environmental education and nature preservation efforts, public information and marketing projects, and special events Districtwide and at the Ryerson Conservation Area is carefully cultivated and solicited in the form of grants, donations and sponsorships from private individuals, foundations, corporations, and state and federal sources. These additional non-tax revenues are used to enhance existing public facilities and services and to initiate special projects that otherwise could not be accomplished.

KEY OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2016-17

- Brushwood Center at Ryerson Woods continues their support of environmental education at Ryerson Woods by providing funding for one annual event at Ryerson Woods, the Smith Nature Symposium.
- A license agreement with the Brushwood Center at Ryerson Woods gives them direct responsibility for the management and operation of the Brushwood building. Brushwood Center at Ryerson Woods pays 100% of the utilities and housekeeping for the Brushwood building.
- The Gateways Grant Program provides grants that allow school districts affordable environmental and history education field trips to Forest Preserves. Major funding for this program is provided by North Shore Gas and Discover. Additional funding is provided by the Friends of the Lake County Discovery Museum. Each grant waives the program fees for one day of programming and gives a \$100 transportation reimbursement to the school. The Gateways Grant Program makes educational field trips available to an average of 4,500 students and teachers each school year.

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	2013/14 Actual	2014/15 Actual	2015/16 Budget	2015/16 Estimate	2016/17 Request
Grants & Donations	7,770	9,023	6,000	6,000	6,000
Interest from Investments	38	0	0	0	0
Total Revenues	\$7,808	\$9,023	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000
Expenditures					
Commodities	20,019	4,124	0	0	0
Contractuals	3,800	3,400	6,000	4,500	6,000
Operating Charges Out	4,557	8,443	0	0	0
Total Expenses	28,376	15,967	6,000	4,500	6,000
Revenue Excess (Deficit) over Expenditures	(20,568)	(6,944)	0	1,500	0
Beginning Fund Balance	33,558	12,990	11,851	6,046	7,546
Ending Fund Balance	\$12,990	\$6,046	\$11,851	\$7,546	\$7,546