

Seattle Parks and Recreation State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) 2024 Grant Applications

City Council Parks, Public Utilities and Technology Committee

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Seattle Parks and Recreation



City of Seattle

State Recreation & Conservation Office (RCO) Grant Program Overview



- RCO administers a competitive grant process
- Typical awards are between \$350,000 & \$2M
- Projects must be operated and maintained in perpetuity for the purposes for which funding is sought
- RCO requires applicants to submit an adopted resolution authorizing the agency to apply
- This year, the resolution is due by September 6th

RCO Grants (Historical)

2022-2023 Awards:

• Rainier Beach Skate Park	\$1,500,000
• Little Brook Park Renovation	\$1,300,000
• Carkeek Park Rail Overpass	\$2,300,000
• Soundview Playfield	\$350,000
• Colman Pool	\$350,000
• South Leschi Transient Moorage	\$1,000,000
• Stan Sayres Boat Launch	\$820,000

Total Awards **\$7,620,000**

Since 1966, Seattle Parks and Recreation (SPR) has received over \$191M (in 2024 dollars) for 139 projects from RCO.



Rainier Beach Skate Park community outreach

2024 RCO Grant Applications

SPR would like to apply for \$10,676,290 in funding for 5 projects through RCO grant programs, representing 10 applications:

- 3 - Land Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)
- 3 - Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP)
- 3 - Youth Athletic Facilities (YAF)
- 1 - Community Outdoor Athletic Facilities (COAF)



Lake City Floodplain Park community outreach

Project Selection Process

SPR staff selected projects with the greatest gaps in funding and that best align with RCO's scoring criteria:

- Need-Local Priorities
- Project Scope
- Project Design
- Project Engagement
- Sustainability
- Cost Efficiencies
- Need-Statewide Priorities



Hutchinson Park community outreach

2024 Project Summaries

Smith Cove

Magnolia - 1450 23rd Ave W, Seattle, WA 98199

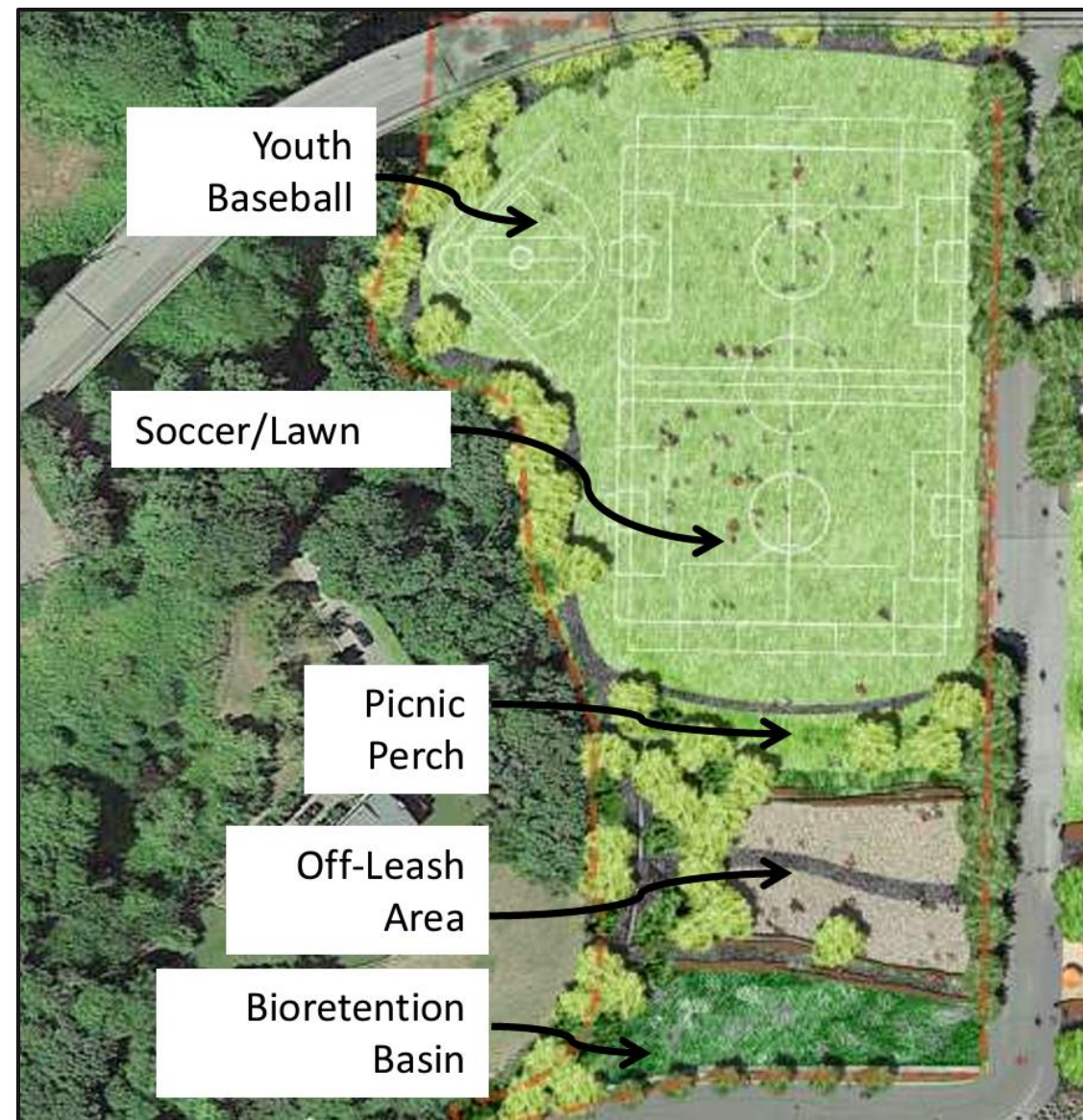
Funding will likely pay for:

- Expansion of the youth baseball/softball field & possible diamond
- ADA & accessibility improvements
- Enhanced picnic area

RCO-YAF Request: \$634,081

Local Match: \$1,177,579

Project Start: 2026



Walt Hundley Playfield

West Seattle - 6920 34th Ave SW, Seattle, WA 98126

Funding will pay for:

- Playfield synthetic turf replacement
- ADA accessibility improvements

RCO-YAF Request: \$1,400,448

Local Match: \$1,468,780

Project Start: 2026



Dr. Jose Rizal Park

Beacon Hill - 1007 12th Ave S, Seattle, WA 98144

Funding will pay for:

- ADA accessibility improvements
- Shelter
- Event Space
- Lookout
- Larger Play Area

RCO-WWRP Request: \$500,000

RCO-LWCF Request: \$1,873,546

Local Match: \$1,375,000

Project Start: 2026



Hutchinson Park

Rainier Beach - 5801 S Pilgrim St, Seattle, WA 98118

Funding will pay for:

- New play areas 2-5 & 5-12yr/old
- New courts, basketball, pickleball & tennis
- ADA accessibility improvements
- New U10 soccer field
- Significant softball improvements

RCO-COAF Request: \$1,200,000

RCO-WWRP Request: \$500,000

RCO-YAF Request: \$968,215

RCO-LWCF Request: \$2,000,000

Local Match: \$231,866

Project Start: 2026



Lake City Floodplain Park

Lake City - 12510 33rd Ave NE, Seattle, WA 98125

Funding will pay for:

- New park development
- Pathways
- Picnic areas
- Nature viewing

RCO-WWRP Request: \$500,000

RCO-LWCF Request: \$1,100,000

Local Match: \$600,000

Project Start: 2026



Summary of SPR 2024 RCO Grant Projects

Project Name	# of Applications	Grant Request	Local Match
Smith Cove Playfield	1	\$634,081	\$1,177,579
Walt Hundley Playfield	1	\$1,400,448	\$1,468,780
Dr. Jose Rizal Park	2	\$2,373,546	\$1,375,000
Hutchinson Park	4	\$4,668,215	\$231,866
Lake City Floodplain Park	2	\$1,600,000	\$600,000
TOTALS	10	\$10,676,290	\$4,853,225



Summary of RCO Grant Requests (by Category)

RCO Grant Category	Amount
Community Outdoor Athletic Facilities (COAF)	\$1,200,000
Washington Wildlife & Recreation Program (WWRP)	\$1,500,000
Youth Athletic Facilities (YAF)	\$ 3,002,744
Land Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)	\$ 4,973,546
Total	\$10,676,290

RCO Grant and Funding Timeline

Description	Date
Council consideration	July 24, 2024
Project presentations to RCO Selection Committees	August 19 - 23, 2024
Legislation due to RCO	September 6, 2024
Board approves preliminary ranked lists	October 19, 2024
Board awards grants	June 30, 2025 (estimated)
Contracts issued for execution	Q4 2025





Questions?

