

PARKS REPLACEMENT BOND

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Commissioner Amanda Fritz | Director Mike Abbaté



**PORTLAND
PARKS & RECREATION**
Healthy Parks, Healthy Portland

SEVEN FOCUS AREAS

2014 Parks Replacement Bond provides \$68 million for repairs and replacements across the system. (74% yes vote)

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NO INCREASE IN TAX RATES

FOCUS AREAS

Areas of focus with broad public support and identified as urgent needs by the Parks Board, one additional one-pager for details on each area.

PLAYGROUNDS

Playgrounds are the heart of many parks and are essential for children's health and well-being.

BRIDGES AND TRAILS

Trail bridges and paths are essential for recreation and transportation.

POOLS

Pools are a popular amenity and provide a safe place for children to play.

PROTECTING WORKERS

Protecting workers is essential for the safety of the public and the workforce.

PIONEER COURTHOUSE SQUARE

Pioneer Courthouse Square is a historic landmark and a popular gathering place.

ACCESSIBILITY

Accessibility is essential for everyone to enjoy the parks and recreation system.

RESTROOMS / OTHER URGENT REPAIRS

Restrooms and other urgent repairs are essential for the safety and comfort of the public.

ADMINISTRATION & AUDITS

Administration and audits are essential for the efficient and effective management of the system.

THE NEED

Over the last century, Portlanders have created and maintained our parks system through a series of capital investments, including bond measures and levies. However, our park structures and facilities have finite life spans, and require ongoing investment to remain safe and accessible. Portland Parks & Recreation (PPR) has identified more than \$365 million in necessary replacements and major maintenance projects that need to be completed over the next 10 years.



THE OPPORTUNITY

As Portland's last parks bond—passed in 1994—is paid off in 2015, we have the opportunity to address critical park needs without increasing tax rates. By continuing to fund parks at the current rate required by the 1994 bond, we can raise an estimated \$56-\$68 million in funding to address the most critical needs of our parks system.

PUBLIC SUPPORT

Portland Commissioner Amanda Fritz and PPR Board member Amanda Fritz conducted a representative telephone survey of Portlanders. The survey shows that more than 65 percent of Portlanders are supportive once they find out that a Replacement Bond would not increase tax rates. 65 percent of Portlanders support a Replacement Bond that would fund some of the most critical repairs to our parks system.

65%
SUPPORT

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ACCESSIBILITY

REMOVING BARRIERS TO ACCESS

Portland's parks and natural spaces belong to all of us—from playgrounds to community centers, and from community gardens, there's something for everyone in Portland's parks system. Unfortunately, not everyone has equal access to what Portland's parks have to offer. A preliminary assessment has already identified more than 20,000 barriers to access in our parks. Missing handrails, inaccessible paths, outdated playground equipment, and just a few of the kinds of barriers that prevent people from enjoying our parks. The 2014 Parks Replacement Bond would remove many, meaning our parks and playgrounds are accessible to everyone, including the disabled.

Due to the bond, the city will be able to remove barriers to access in our parks and playgrounds. See back for more details.

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A young child with brown hair, wearing an orange long-sleeved shirt, is shown in profile, looking through a chain-link fence. The child's hands are touching the fence. In the background, a playground with yellow and blue equipment is visible. A blue banner with white text is overlaid on the top left of the image.

FOCUS AREA

RESTROOMS / OTHER

Fix or replace
restrooms and other
urgent repairs.

Project Details



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- Overall Project Goals
 - Health and safety in play
 - Permittable durable field for year-round play
 - Accessibility
- Field Improvements
- ADA Improvements

Looking Forward

Construction

- Lents Park Playground
- Mt. Tabor Rest Room
- Pioneer Courthouse Square
- Washington Park Rose Garden

Upcoming Construction

- Forest Park Bridges
- Argay Tennis Courts
- North Park Blocks Playground
- Rieke Soccer Field
- Bloomington Rest Room
- Glenwood Rest Room
- St. Johns CC Roof and HVAC (re-bid)



Why are We Here?

- 1. Accept a bid from K&E Excavating, Inc. for the Rieke Field Synthetic Turf Improvements project for \$731,585***

THANK YOU!

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