



City of Spring Lake Park

Community Benefactors Catalog

**Contributions • Memorials
Volunteer Opportunities**

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- Park Equipment Donations / Memorial benches
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Dear Community Benefactor:

The Community Gift and Memorial Project provides an opportunity for Spring Lake Park area residents, businesses and non-profit organizations to be personally involved in maintaining the special character of our community through their contributions.

The intent of this program is to give individuals, organizations and businesses an opportunity to support those projects and facilities of greatest interest. A gift can be made in memory of a loved one, in the name of the donor, or remain anonymous. Gift possibilities are many and varied, ranging from benches and barbecues to playground equipment.

Please use this guide to help you choose a **tax deductible** gift to donate to the community. In addition, this guide offers many volunteer opportunities to individuals and organizations.

If you wish to discuss your gift or to volunteer your services, please call the Spring Lake Park Recreation Department at 763-792-7201 or recinfo@slpmn.org

Sincerely,

Kay Okey, Director
Spring Lake Park Recreation Department

Park Enhancements

Gifts to the parks can range from a memorial park bench to a specific piece of play equipment. Perhaps handicapped accessible equipment is needed at a specific park, or the park is lacking in pre-school age equipment. Through discussion with Parks and Recreation Department staff, a park gift can be chosen to make a meaningful contribution to the enhancement of the park. Below is a list of suggested donations and the approximate cost of the donation.

BENCHES AND TABLES

Bench with Backs	\$701.00
Memorial plaque	\$ 50.00
Picnic Table 6 foot.....	\$1405.00
Picnic Table 8 foot (ADA)	\$1849.00



Picnic Table
→

Bench
← Memorial Plaque can be
Added to back



Park Enhancements

Litter Receptacle..... \$600.00

Grill \$450.00



Early Childhood Play Equipment

Make their park experience special

Spring Rider....\$1200.00

- Dump Truck
- Fire Truck
- Turtle Car
- Duck



Fire Truck

Dinosaur Adventure Mate \$1,030.00

6 foot Preschool Picnic Table..... \$1000.00



Preschool Picnic Table



Dinosaur Adventure Mate

Give a Gift that Remembers ...

Tree Donation

Native and ornamental trees can be planted at most City parks. Tree selection and location is arranged between the donor and Park and Recreation Department staff. The tree must be over 6' or have a stock diameter of 2". The City will purchase and plant the tree. Park and Recreation Department staff have the final decision on the location of the tree, however, all efforts will be made to place it in a location agreeable to donor.

A marker can be located next to the tree in memory of a loved one or a special event.

Tree and plaque \$200.00
(Tree varieties include Maple, Ash, Linden or Crabapples)

Flower Donations

A variety of annual and perennial flowers are needed for park gardens on a yearly basis. A lump sum amount can be donated for the flowers or purchasing of the flowers by donor can be made in conjunction with direction of the Park and Recreation Department. **Flower costs range from \$150 - \$300 per year.**

Recognition Memorials

Recognition memorials enable individuals to commemorate an important person or event in their lives through a donation for a park bench or tree to be placed in the park of the donor's choice. These memorials can serve as an act of love or mark special events such as the birth of a child, a wedding or the death of a loved one.

Planned Giving ▪ Endowments Sponsorships

The Park and Recreation Department appreciates the generosity of the community, businesses and organizations who supplement and enhance park and recreation projects and programs through private and corporate support. The following opportunities for donating are available:

ANNUAL GIFTS: Annual gifts provide ongoing support for the Spring Lake Park Recreation Programs and Parks. By regularly supporting this annual program, you are providing the Spring Lake Park Recreation Department with necessary dollars to improve and enrich facilities and programs. This support is appreciated as we plan enhancements that improve parks and recreation programs that are so valued in our community.

ENDOWMENTS: Endowments provide continuing and dependable support of the Parks and Recreation Programs far into the future. Endowments can be established with a one-time current gift, by a planned gift or through a series of gifts. The principal is held intact and invested; the annual income from the investment is used for the purpose the donor specifies. For instance, a named endowment is an ideal way to honor a friend, colleague or family member.

PLANNED GIFTS: Planned gifts offer a long-range contribution strategy for interested donors. Your planned gift may take the form of:

- A bequest through a will or trust
- A gift of property subject to life estate
- A gift of life insurance

SPONSORSHIPS: There are many opportunities businesses, organizations and individuals to sponsor youth softball teams, senior adult programs, and other special events. Through sponsorship, you not only provide recreational experiences to others, but your business or organization is promoted with a positive image in the community.

Add a Park to Your Family ... Adopt a Park

The Adopt-a-Park program provides an opportunity for groups to help improve Spring Lake Park city parks. As a steward, you will have the unique opportunity to donate services to the community and enjoy the results of your work.

You can enhance our public lands through clean-up efforts, trees plantings, weeding, and other projects. Your volunteer efforts in our parks will generate pride in our park system and demonstrate a commitment to your community. As a group or business, you can create a better environment for yourself and the next generation.

How Do I Adopt a Park?

Your group can adopt a park by volunteering at a particular park at least four times over a 12 month period. To adopt a park:

1. **Identify a park** you would like to adopt and the type of project you would like to complete. If you are not sure what parks are in your area, call the Recreation Department at 763-792-7201 for more information.
2. **Request an application form.** Complete the application and return it. You will then be contacted by the Recreation Department to discuss the project. Our staff will work with you to identify the project(s) that will provide the greatest benefits to the park.
3. **Once the “adoption” is approved, you’re ready to start!** Our department is available to help you with questions and concerns.

Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteer Gardeners

Individuals or organizations are encouraged to participate in the planting and maintenance of City gardens. Opportunities include:



- Spring garden preparation
- Flower garden planting
- Weekly weeding and flower deadheading
- Fall garden clean-up

Any person or group wishing to participate in the volunteer gardening should call the Parks and Recreation Department at 763-792-7201.

Park and Recreation Commission

The City of Spring Lake Park is accepting applications for the Parks and Recreation Commission. This is an advisory commission to the City Council on issues relating to park development and recreation programming. If you are interested in applying for a position on the commission, please contact the Recreation Department at 763-792-7201.

For More Information

If you would like additional information on adopting a park or volunteering in the City of Spring Lake Park, contact the Recreation Department at 763-792-7201.

Special Events ...

Volunteers are always needed to help with special events. The Turkey Shoot in November, youth softball tournaments in July and Tower Days in June. Please contact the Park and Recreation Department at 763-792-7201 to volunteer your services.

- Turkey Shoot
- Youth Softball Coaches/Tournament Concessions
- Tower Days Community Celebration
 - Work on a Committee
 - Help with a Specific Event

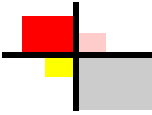
Youth Volunteer Opportunities ...

There are many opportunities available for Scout Groups, Church Groups and other non-profit groups to participate in programs and projects in the City. In addition, volunteer opportunities are available for youth who need to do community service work. Additionally, the Junior Leader program offers young people experience leading recreation activities under the supervision of more experienced leaders at the Able Park Summer Playground Program held mid-June—July.

Skills, Services and Materials ...

Many other opportunities to contribute to the parks and recreation programs are available to you. Do you have a special skill? Perhaps you're a carpenter, roofer or brick mason. Maybe you're a Master Gardener or landscaper. These talents can be shared to benefit the parks system with special projects and park development. Perhaps you would like to instruct a class?

If you would like to contribute your time and special skills to enhance the City of Spring Lake Park, please contact the Recreation Department at 763-792-7201.



Benefactors Donor Form



Name _____
 Organization (if applicable) _____
 Address _____
 City _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Gift/Tree Donations:

Gift Item _____ Price _____
 Gift Item _____ Price _____
 Tree choice (maple, ash, linden or crabapple) _____
 Cost of Tree _____ Cost of Memorial Plaque _____
 Memorial Plaque Inscription (if any) _____

 Location preference _____

Monetary Donation:

Type of donation (see page 7) _____
 Specific use (if any) _____ Amount _____

Volunteer Opportunity:

Adopt a Park [] Which Park _____
 Volunteer Gardeners [] Skill or Material [] _____
 Youth Project(s) [] What? _____
 Junior Leader Program []
 Special Events:
 Turkey Shoot [] Tower Days [] Tournament
 Concession Stands []

Please return this form to the:

Spring Lake Park Recreation Department
1301 81st Avenue NE ♦ Spring Lake Park, MN 55432
Make checks payable to: Spring Lake Park Recreation Dept.
 If you have questions please call 763-792-7201.
All contributions are subject to City approval
A receipt for your generous donation will be mailed to you for your tax records. THANK YOU!



COMMUNITY BENEFACTORS CATALOG

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Spring Lake Park, MN 55432

Phone: 763-792-7201

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