



Johnson's Local Park

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SubCategory	Development	Administering Agency	M-NCPPC
Planning Area	Gaithersburg and Vicinity	Status	Planning Stage

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Cost Elements	Total	Thru FY25	Est FY26	Total 6 Years	FY 27	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	FY 31	FY 32	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design and Supervision	450	-	-	450	450	-	-	-	-	-	-
Land	600	-	-	600	600	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,050	-	-	1,050	1,050	-	-	-	-	-	-

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Funding Source	Total	Thru FY25	Est FY26	Total 6 Years	FY 27	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	FY 31	FY 32	Beyond 6 Years
State Aid	1,050	-	-	1,050	1,050	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDING SOURCES	1,050	-	-	1,050	1,050	-	-	-	-	-	-

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (\$000s)

Appropriation FY 27 Request	1,050	Year First Appropriation	
Appropriation FY 28 Request	-	Last FY's Cost Estimate	-
Cumulative Appropriation	-		
Expenditure / Encumbrances	-		
Unencumbered Balance	-		

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project will renovate Johnson's Local Park, located at 18000 Washington Grove Lane in Gaithersburg, to improve recreational opportunities, strengthen community gathering spaces, and celebrate the park's cultural and historic significance. Serving a diverse surrounding population, the park supports active recreation, social connection, and neighborhood cohesion. Park improvements will enhance access to quality recreational amenities, create safer and more inclusive spaces, and reinforce the park's role as a community anchor for the Emory Grove area.

LOCATION

18000 Washington Grove Ln, Gaithersburg, MD 20877

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

Johnson's Local Park has long been central to the historic African American community of Emory Grove, serving as a gathering place

for community events, camp meetings, and historic baseball league games. Despite significant displacement during Urban Renewal efforts in the 1960s and 1970s, community advocacy preserved the park, which Montgomery Parks acquired and opened in 1974. The restoration of the park's name to Johnson's Park in 1995 reflects its continued cultural importance.

FISCAL NOTE

The Maryland General Assembly approved funding for Johnson's Local Park: \$50,000 awarded in the FY25 Maryland Capital Budget Bill and \$1,000,000 in the FY27 Maryland Capital Budget Bill.

DISCLOSURES

M-NCPPC asserts that this project conforms to the requirement of relevant local plans, as required by the Maryland Economic Growth, Resource Protection and Planning Act.

COORDINATION

Expenditures will continue indefinitely