How You Can Support Stark Parks

You can support Friends of Stark Parks (FOSP) through convenient, tax-deductible giving opportunities, while making a visit to the parks more special. Financial contributions can be designated for structural or living amenities such as benches, trees, and pollinator fields. These items may serve as a tribute, celebration, or remembrance and will be used by park visitors every day.

Endowment Donations



Donations to the Friends of Stark Parks Endowment Fund or the Wildlife Conservation Fund, through the Stark Community Foundation, will provide for long-term, perpetual care of Stark Parks' facilities and programs.

Memberships

FOSP uses membership fees to support the needs of Stark Parks, such as wildlife rehabilitation enhancements, unexpected maintenance, and general park promotions. Your membership opportunities provide different benefits based on your selected level and 100% of your membership will directly benefit Stark Parks.

Structural Park Assets

Permanent structural additions to parks and trails may consist of shelters, kiosks, benches, water fountains, and bricks. They may also include buildings and/or rooms inside buildings, including the Exploration Gateway and the Wildlife Conservation Center. Plaques or brick engravings must conform to our standardized offerings and be approved in accordance with our donation policy. If you are interested in naming rights, contact us at 330.477.3552.





Friends of Stark Parks is a non-profit volunteer organization dedicated to promoting the development and use of Stark County Park District parks, trails, facilities, educational programs, and events.

Our vision is to be a community leader in the promotion of the responsible use of Stark County's natural resources; in educating our community and enlisting its involvement in conservation education; and in supporting facilities and programs available through the Stark County Park District.

Our goal is to support the Stark County Park District as a partner in preserving and protecting the quality of life for all who live and work in Stark County though fundraising, grant seeking, volunteerism, and promotions.

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PARK GIVING



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Celebration Gardens

Located at Molly Stark Park in Louisville, the Celebration Gardens feature three options for giving, each surrounded by a plant and flower garden. Commemorate graduations, birthdays, and special milestones in the **Celebration Garden**. Honor a life in the **Memorial** or **Traffic Gardens** - all beautiful places of reflection and tranquility. Options to choose from include 4"x4" and 8"x8" engraved memorial bricks.

Precious Pollinator Fields

This new donor option creates space in designated park locations. Donors can give back to the environment by providing a contribution to seed a pollinator field comprised of native wildflowers and grasses. As the prairie grows and matures, it provides support and nourishment for various butterflies, bees, hummingbirds, and a variety of other wildlife that rely on these ecosystems to thrive.

Legacy Giving

The Friends of Stark Parks Endowment Funds are managed by the Stark Community Foundation. Almost any asset, including cash, stock, and real estate, can be donated to one of two endowments and is eligible for tax benefits. Donors may choose to contribute to the perpetual maintenance of the Wildlife Conservation Center, Tam O'Shanter Park (new in 2022) and educational programs. Donors may also give to the Endowment Fund to assure the future and security of Stark Parks by providing funds for the maintenance and improvements.



☐ Trees (\$500 each)

Eastern Red Bud Tree Flowering Dogwood Red Maple Red Oak Sugar Maple Tulip Tree Witch Hazel

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I would like to make a donation to the following:

- Programming
- □ Ranger Cadets
- ☐ Wildlife
 Conservation Center
- □ Park Initiatives



Yes!

Name Committed to contributing to the Friends of Stark Parks!
Address
CityStateZip
Email Phone
I would like to make a contribution by dedicating the following:
☐ Bench ● \$2,500 (currently not available in Celebration Gardens)
Verbiage to Appear on Plaque:
□ Pollinator Fields • \$850 / Name to Appear on Plaque:
☐ Tree ● \$500 / Select from list:(subject to park availability)
☐ Wildlife Conservation Center Wall of Friendship Lily Pad Plaque ● \$5,000
I would like to make a Celebrations Garden Brick Donation
I would like to make a Celebrations Galden blick Dollation
☐ 4 x 8 Memorial Brick at \$75, 3 lines with 20 characters each
□ 8 x 8 Memorial Brick at \$150, 6 lines with 20 characters each
 I would like to learn more about memberships. I would like to learn more about Leaving a Legacy through a planned gift or endowment
 I would like to learn more about sponsorship opportunities with Friends of Stark Parks.
Amount enclosed: \$

Please make checks payable to: Friends of Stark Parks 5300 Tyner Street NW ● Canton, Ohio 44708