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Your Partnership Makes All the Difference

Parks are for everyone and equity in parks means everyone should have equal access to parks and green space — regardless of race, income, or zip code. Partners for Parks is everyone’s advocate for safe places to play, engage with each other, and interact with nature. Your tax-deductible donations make all the difference in continuing that work.

We know that parks are truly democratic spaces that provide a gathering point for our community. They are critical to our health and quality of life. But we also know that not all

neighborhoods have equal access to quality parks. Partners for Parks was founded to support parks and recreation in all communities, and this year we are focusing our energy on providing access to the benefits parks provide to everyone.

Whether you are renewing your Annual Sponsorship of Partners for Parks or joining us as an Annual Sponsor for the first time, you will be supporting our goal to improve access to parks and green spaces for all members of our community.



In this unusual year, our parks and greenways have been more important than ever as people clamored to be outdoors to enjoy fresh air, be closer to nature, and take advantage of socially-distant opportunities to exercise and spend time with family. Our residents have seen firsthand how parks and ever-expanding greenway systems bring value to Charlotte and surrounding communities. They bring relief from isolation and provide safe and convenient places to walk, ride a bike, or relax. Our Partners for Parks Newsletters have highlighted some of our community's best outdoor features, as well as our support of Mecklenburg County Park & Recreation's ongoing planning process that will set a roadmap for future investment. Please visit our website for more details: <https://partnersforparks.org/>

Partners for Parks also understands the importance of equity in our community and we're addressing that, too. We are tackling the lack of play opportunities in low-income neighborhoods by being a founding member in a new national non-profit, **Partners for Play**. Even though we haven't been able to gather with our neighbors for popular events like **Open Streets 704** and the **Summer Music Series**, our advocacy continues and we need your Annual Sponsorship to accomplish our vision of **Breathing Life Into Our Community**.



Let’s Celebrate Our Year with a Picnic for Parks

This year, we are celebrating a little differently. Instead of our Annual Awards and Sponsor Celebration, your Annual Sponsorship includes **Picnic for Parks Tickets**. Each Picnic for Parks ticket will invite you (or a family member or friend) to enjoy a Day in the Park, complete with a locally-sourced, chef-curated boxed meal. These Picnic meals will be waiting for you, to pick up on October 17th between 2-4 pm for you to enjoy in one of the great parks across Mecklenburg County. Each family or small group will be able to social-distance on their own blanket. More details will be provided as we get closer to the Picnic for Parks Day of Celebration on October 17th. We hope you will enjoy this way of celebrating parks with us.

Your Annual Sponsorship is critical to help us support next year's goal of improving equitable access to parks.

Sponsorship Levels

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If you have any questions, please email us at info@partnersforparks.org.



Partners for Parks aims to improve the quality of life for the citizens of Mecklenburg County and the surrounding region by preserving, promoting and enhancing the parks, greenways, open spaces, active play and recreational opportunities within our community.

Partners for Parks is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. Donations are tax deductible. Please consider making a **donation**. To make a gift by mail, please send your check made payable to “Partners for Parks” to:

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