



Oconee County Parks and Recreation Department Park Partners

Park Partner Program

The Park Partner Program develops partnerships between Oconee County Parks and Recreation Department and the community, fosters community ownership of parks and facilities, expedites the development of park facilities and amenities, supports community-wide special events, assists in historic and environmental preservation, and establishes citizen pride within our park system and programs. Businesses, civic organizations, schools, neighborhood associations and other community-based groups willing to make a commitment towards our park system are invited to participate. Partnership opportunities and levels of involvement are listed below.

Park Partner Opportunities

- Special Event Sponsor
- Park Amenity Sponsor
- Scholarship Fund Sponsor
- Commemorative Program
- Tournament Sponsor
- Volunteer Clean-up Days
- In-Kind Donations
- Adopt-A-Park/Trail/Garden

***“Never doubt that a small group of concerned people can change the world. Indeed, it’s the only thing that ever has.”
- Margaret Mead***

Park Partner Benefits

- Sponsorship Acknowledgment
- Park E-Newsletter Recognition
- Department Website Partner Listing
- Partner/Volunteer of the Year Award
- Park Partner “Day of Thanks”
- Plaque of Appreciation (2 years of service or more)

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Oconee County Parks and Recreation Department offers several community-wide special events throughout the year. In addition, we are interested in providing new events and festivals for our citizens. Listed below are several special event sponsorship opportunities:

Special Events Sponsorship Opportunities

- Oconee July 4th Spectacular and Fireworks - \$250 - \$10,000
- Movie in the Park (Second Saturday in May) - \$3,500
- Movie in the Park Series (May, June, August, September) - \$14,000
- Oconee July 4th Spectacular with Fireworks - \$20,000
- Concert with Fireworks (Veterans Day or other date) - \$20,000
- Family Field Day - \$2,500
- 5K/1-mile Fun Run – Step Up to Health – (Fall/Spring) - \$1500
- Touch a Truck (March) - \$1000
- May Day Madness Disc Golf Tournament (First Saturday in May) - \$1000

Benefits

- Connect with the citizens of Oconee County through sponsorship of a community-wide event and increase your company/organization's visibility.
- Permitted to provide site signage at the event with company/organization's name and logo.
- PA announcement recognition throughout the event.
- Recognition as the premiere sponsor on all information publicized and distributed.
- Acknowledged on the Parks and Recreation Department website as an official Park Partner.
- Opportunity to have a booth/table to distribute information/giveaways during the event.
- VIP seating or participant entrees are available, dependent on the event.

Sponsorship Packets can be customized for each organization.

All benefits are commensurate with sponsorship level.

Call 706-769-3965 for more information.

Parks and Recreation...the Benefits are Endless...

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There are several park amenities that would enhance the park system for Oconee County Parks and Recreation Department and increase the diversity of programs, events and participants within the parks. Below is a list of park amenities sponsorship opportunities:

Park Amenities

- Sprayground – Water Element Playground - \$200,000 (Single Structures \$5,000 each)
- ADA Accessible Playground - \$75,000 - 150,000 (Single Structures \$7,500 each)
- Indoor Rock Climbing Wall - \$35,000 - \$95,000
- Outdoor Rock Climbing Play Structures - \$5,000
- Picnic Pavilion - \$25,000 - \$50,000
- Shade Structure - \$10,000 - \$15,000
- Outdoor Exercise Equipment – Life Trail/Health Beat (10 Stations) - \$35,000
- Disc Golf Course (18-hole course) - \$10,000 - \$20,000
- Park Bench with Back- \$1,000
- Park Bench – no back - \$500
- Tree - \$750
- Other

Benefits

- Increase your company/organization’s visibility through sponsorship of a permanent park amenity that will be available for use by all citizens in Oconee County.
- Permanent engraved plaque or marker will be located at the site of the park amenity acknowledging the sponsor.
- Recognition in program guide with color photo of amenity.
- Recognition on the Parks and Recreation Department’s website.
- Dedication Ceremony of any park amenity valued at or over \$10,000.

All park amenities will be specified and approved by the Parks and Recreation Department.

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Scholarship Fund Sponsor

We provide scholarships for all our department coordinated programs to families in need that meet the criteria. Donations may be made into our scholarship fund to assist providing families more opportunities to participate in various youth programs.

- \$5,000 Sponsor multiple youth programs/events
- \$1,000 Sponsor a youth program/event
- \$100 Sponsor a youth participant

Commemorative Program

The Commemorative Program allows individuals, families and organizations to purchase trees or park benches in memory or in honor of loved ones. Benches, trees, markers and plaques will be standardized as specified by the Oconee County Parks and Recreation Department.

- Park Bench with Back and Plaque – \$1,000
- Park Bench without Back and Plaque – \$500
- Tree with Marker – \$750

Tournament Sponsor

- \$5,000 Sponsor multi-day regional tournament
- \$1,000 Sponsor single day tournament
- \$200 Sponsor an Oconee County team for Georgia Recreation & Parks Association Tournaments

Volunteer Clean-up Days

- Park Beautification Day *Park and Date Preferred:* _____
- Park Maintenance Workday *Park and Date Preferred:* _____

In-Kind Donations

- | | Estimated Value | Donated Item(s) |
|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ | _____ |

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Adopt-A-Park / Trail / Garden

The Adopt-A-Park program is an on-going partnership between groups or individuals and the Parks and Recreation Department that focuses on a specific park or park area. The Adopt-A-Park program is ideal for neighborhood associations, businesses, community groups and individuals with interest in a specific park or area of a park. The program fosters community ownership, assists in the park beautification, and establishes citizen pride within our park system.

Requirements

Include general maintenance and beautification of the adopted area of the park. Partners work with park staff to provide volunteer services in litter removal, flowerbed maintenance, trail clearance, periodic mulching, clear courts and pathways, or other defined projects. Park Partners must communicate with park staff to schedule and approve volunteer services.

Commitment

Partners commit to working a total of 4-hours every two months for a total of 24-hours a year in adopted park. Volunteer hours are calculated as a group, not individually. For example, five volunteers working 2-hours equates to 2-hours of volunteer service.

Benefits

- Recognition as a Park Partner on Parks and Recreation Department website as an official Park Adopter
- Certificate of Adoption as a Park Partner – Receive certificate after completion of 24-hours of volunteer service over the course of 1 year
- Adopt-A-Park Plaque – Receive a plaque of appreciation after 48-hours of volunteer service over the course of 2 years
- Adopt-A-Park Park Plaque – Name placement on permanent park plaque after completion of 24-hours of volunteer service over the course of 1 year for 5 consecutive years
- Newspaper Ad Recognition – After 5 consecutive years of volunteer service, acknowledgement as a Park Adopter in an advertisement in the local newspaper

Call about parks and trails that are available for adoption (706-769-3965).



Oconee County Parks and Recreation Department Park Partners - Commitment Form

Please provide complete information

Contact Person _____

Organization Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Email Address _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Sponsorship Commitment	Event/Program/Park/Donation	Sponsorship
<input type="checkbox"/> Special Events	_____	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Park Amenity	_____	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship Sponsor	_____	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commemorative Program	_____	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Tournament Sponsor	_____	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer	_____	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> In-Kind Donation	_____	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Adopt-a-Park	_____	\$ _____

Additional Information

I/we hereby agree to contribute the amount specified in cash, services and/or donations as an official partner for the marked event(s) as indicated above. Use additional sheets if necessary.

Signature _____ Date _____