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Dane County Executive Joe Parisi Announces PARC & Ride Bike Trail Grants Totaling \$770,000 for Municipalities

Today, Dane County Executive Joe Parisi announced awards totaling \$770,000 for Dane County PARC and Ride grant recipients. The program provides matching grants to communities interested in expanding trail interconnectivity throughout Dane County. Municipalities were eligible to receive grants matching up to 50 percent of a project's costs to offset bike trail design, engineering, and construction expenses.

"We're always excited to have communities come forward with plans to strengthen Dane County's network of bike trails through our PARC and Ride grant program," said Dane County Executive Joe Parisi. "These projects enhance our quality of life and create new outdoor experiences for residents and visitors to enjoy year after year. Congratulations to this year's recipients."

Grants were awarded to capital projects that expanded bike trail interconnectivity, created destination-oriented regional bike trails and skills-building areas such as bicycle parks, playgrounds and pump tracks, and improved bike safety. Trail projects needed to provide a regional trail connection, as identified in the 2018-2023 Dane County Parks and Open Space Plan, and could include associated amenities like trailheads/parking areas, signage, and safety facilities.

A resolution to approve these project allocations was introduced at last week's Dane County Board meeting.

Funded Projects Include:

The Village of Cottage Grove was awarded \$213,087 for its Phase 2 Main Street Path Construction project. This approximately 3,850-foot paved trail will run along Main Street from Northlawn Drive to the existing path just south of I-94, largely completing the regional multi-use trail connection from the Glacial Drumlin Trail to McCarthy County Park. The total estimated project cost is \$594,156.

The City of Madison was awarded \$125,000 for its paved pump track at Aldo Leopold Park. This bike playground will consist of a pump track and skills course at the park, with a direct connection to the Cannonball Path. The total estimated project cost is \$250,000.

The City of Monona was awarded \$11,913 for its Maywood Mountain Bike Trail. This mountain bike trail and skills area at Maywood Park will be located along the Monona Bike Loop. The total estimated project cost is \$31,913.

Capital Off Road Pathfinders (CORP) was awarded \$150,000 for its Middleton bike park pump track and skills loop project. This bike park will consist of a paved pump track and skills loop located at the new/future trailhead and parking area at Pleasant View Golf Course. The total estimated project cost is \$350,000.

The Village of Cross Plains was awarded \$270,000 for its County Highway KP Multi-Use Trail. This 0.33-mile extension of the Black Earth Creek Multi-Use Trail will be located along the south side of County Highway KP from Bourbon Road to Gil's Way. The total estimated project cost is \$540,000.

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