

## **Anchorage Soil and Water Conservation District**

### **Anchorage Park Foundation Challenge Grant outline**

Name: [APF Community Challenge Grant](#)

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**Award Amount:** up to \$50K

**Match required: 1 to 1 non federal dollars**  
(volunteers and native plant supply)

**Due Date:** April 10

**Grant Period:** May 2026 – October 31, 2027

**RFP Notes:** Eligible projects must be located on, or directly benefit, public land within the Municipality of Anchorage and demonstrate a clear and meaningful public benefit. Eligible projects improve or enhance access to municipal parks, trails, greenbelts, recreation centers, or other public green spaces and support community use, stewardship, and enjoyment.

Letter of Support for Anchorage Park Foundation Challenge Grant Use letterhead if available

To: Anchorage Park Foundation Proposal Review Committee

Date: xxx

Subject: Letter of Support for Anchorage Soil and Water Conservation District

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter supports the application from the Anchorage Soil and Water Conservation District (ASWCD) for the Anchorage Park Foundation's Challenge Grant program. ASWCD proposes to improve ecosystem resilience on Anchorage public lands, integrating invasive species removal and revegetation with native plants. Using nearby Valley of the Moon as a focus project, ASWCD will organize and host public weed-pull events in the summer of 2026 and initiate a revegetation project in fall 2026. ASWCD will also provide support for the Municipality of Anchorage's Adopt-a-Patch program, helping to organize volunteers and providing herbicide treatment at volunteer-led weed pulls in parks around the city.

Who you are and why you support this project. Could include promise to assist with volunteer recruitment (no commitments needed at this time.)

We enthusiastically support ASWCD's efforts to improve Valley of the Moon and other public lands in Anchorage.

Sincerely,

Signature, title