

**Stacey, Here's our story:**

I could not be more proud of what we were able to accomplish this year! The media coverage put USTAKY, WLTC and our USTA sanctioned tournament Arthur Lloyd Memorial Tournament on the city map! As a result, our Summer Clinic was at an all-time high, not just for the youth but adults as well.

In this year, 2019, WLTC faced with our most difficult challenge. Due to a shortfall in the City's budget, the Mayor mandated the cancellation of funding for all capital projects. One of the projects slated to be cancelled was the "yearly maintenance of the clay courts" in Chickasaw Park.

As a result, WLTC set a goal to build an understanding of just how important the courts in Chickasaw Park are to the West Louisville community. As it turned out, our biggest challenge became our greatest blessing! The tennis community and the Louisville community, as a whole, rallied behind us!

**Community partners include:**

[Olmsted Park Conservancy](#)

[USTAKY, "Raise the Racquet for Kentucky Foundation"](#)

[Metro Parks](#)

[Tennis Technology](#)

In just (2) weeks, the funds raised not only covered the cost of reconditioning our clay courts, they also covered the labor costs associated with clay court preparation and repair of severe cracks in our hard courts! We started the year worrying if there would be any functional courts for the 2019 season. However, as of this date, May 20th, 2019, we will have full access to all (12) of them!

We could not have planned for a better outcome. We've established lifelong community partnerships, joined by a spirit of compassion and love for community...this is priceless!

The WLTC is part of a caring community that values our youth and the need to support their physical, mental and character development. These are the qualities that define a "World Class City!"