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The Park Authority Board meets at 7:30 p.m. every second and fourth Wednesday of the month at the Herrity Building. The public is invited to attend. The board minutes and other information from these meetings are available at: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks.

Fairfax County Park Authority Leadership

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PARKSIDE Fairfax County Park Foundation – Celebrating 20 Years



When the Fairfax County Park Foundation formed in 2000, its primary goal was to raise funds to create a large-scale accessible playground on donated land, which we enjoy today as the much-revered Clemjontri Park. Since then, the Foundation has raised more than \$10 million from individual and corporate donors to support Fairfax County parks and enrich the quality of life in multiple ways for all county residents. Some of our notable accomplishments include:



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- **Chessie's BIG Backyard** - an outdoor recreation area at Lee District Park featuring an accessible sprayground, playground, tree house and trail.
- **Summer Entertainment Series** - featuring nearly 200 free local movies and concerts in 14 Fairfax County parks each summer.
- **Camp Scholarships** – summer camp opportunities for children who qualify for free and reduced-price lunch.
- **Environmental Education** – Meaningful Watershed Educational Experience (MWEE) programs to teach children the importance of natural resource stewardship.
- **Trail-building Fund** – to support Park Authority trail and bridge maintenance and to provide informative trail signs about the county's history and natural resources.
- **Discovery Trail Map** – an annual summer activity that features interesting themes and prizes to encourage people to discover Fairfax County parks.

In addition to our 20th anniversary, we will celebrate another major accomplishment later this year when two accessible picnic pavilions largely funded through the Foundation are constructed at Burke Lake Park. The reservable shelters will help accommodate the growing demand for family celebration venues near the park's popular children's area.

The Foundation's extraordinary accomplishments are a testament to our community's commitment to park preservation and recreational opportunities. Through individual donations, corporate donations and legacy gifts through wills, as well as visionary leadership from the Park Foundation Board, the Park Authority Board and the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, we have reached incredible milestones that contributed to the Fairfax County Park Authority's national Gold Medal recognition as one of the best park systems in the nation. You can learn more about our ongoing park projects on our website: www.FairfaxParkFoundation.org.

On behalf of the Park Foundation, thank you for your support. We welcome your participation and look forward to serving Fairfax County for decades to come!

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