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RE: Albany County Municipal Park Improvement Grant Application

Dear Municipal Leader,

We are pleased to announce that due to the overwhelming need, Albany County has decided to allocate additional funding for the County's Municipal Park Improvement Initiative Grant Program. This means that the application you submitted in May will be receiving full funding. As outlined in your application, this funding is provided for the development and enhancement of parks, playgrounds, and recreational facilities throughout Albany County. Your work is instrumental in improving the lives of the residents and visitors alike, and we are grateful for your contribution. You can expect to hear from us regarding the issuance of the award before the end of the summer.

Separately, in order to further assist municipalities in the rehabilitation and improvement of recreational spaces, we are announcing that the County will be accepting an additional round of applications for the Municipal Park Improvement Initiative Grant Program starting on August 12 through August 31.

All municipalities are welcome to submit project applications for a different park, playground, or recreational space. The guidelines governing this round of applications regarding qualified projects, letters of support, and total project amount are the same as the previous round. While municipalities are encouraged to select new projects that have not already received an award through this grant opportunity, this new funding allotment can still be utilized on those original project submissions. Special consideration will be given to those municipal applications that can demonstrate that their projects serve disadvantaged communities based on income and employment levels, as well as public health and environmental concerns.

These new applications should be submitted to the Albany County Parks and Recreation Department by via email at recreation@albanycountyny.gov. Any questions or concerns regarding this grant funding may be directed here or by phone at (518) 655-7948.

Congratulations on your award and we look forward to supporting other recreational facilities around the county. We appreciate you taking the time apply and we are excited to see your vision come to life.

Sincerely,

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