

DENVER MOUNTAIN PARKS FOUNDATION TRANSPORTATION MICRO-GRANT PROJECT

The Denver Mountain Parks Foundation invites you to visit the Denver Mountain Parks! We recognize that access to transportation to and from Denver Mountain Parks is an obstacle many community members face. We are offering micro-grants of up to \$2,000 for Denver based community non-profits or schools in support of transportation to and active participation in the Denver Mountain Parks.

Overview

We seek to fund projects that promote transportation to and from, and engagement within, the Denver Mountain Parks. We encourage qualifying organizations to think creatively about their community's needs to create a project that makes it inclusive, easier and/or more fun to be active in your Denver Mountain Parks.

<u>Timeline</u>

Grants for 2023 have been awarded. Information about 2024 applications will be posted in December 2023..

Who is eligible to apply:

Any Denver based community non-profit or school working to increase equity, diversity, justice and inclusion with a desire to include the Denver Mountain Parks in its locations for programming is eligible to apply for the Micro-Grant.

Project requirements:

- Applying organization or school must be located within the City of Denver.
- Project must take place within the Denver Mountain Parks.
- Project must be completed within the 2023 calendar year.
- Preference will be given to projects that serve a high-need community or vulnerable populations.
- Post-project evaluations must be completed by December 15, 2023.

What we cannot fund:

- Projects that serve residents outside of the City of Denver
- Projects that take place in locations outside the Denver Mountain Parks.

- Personal hygiene, cleaning supplies, or single-use items (including masks, hand sanitizer, disposable gloves) as the primary part of the project.
- Any project that would go against or lead to individuals failing to adhere to current public health guidelines or current local/state/federal laws.
- Projects that would install any unpermitted furniture or infrastructure that would impede local traffic in the Right-of-Way.

Example projects (and what funds could cover):

Here is a list of <u>Denver Mountain Parks</u> and each of their resources and potential activities.

- Walking or hiking in the Denver Mountain Parks (transportation, snacks, rental equipment)
- Visit the Buffalo Bill Museum and Grave (transportation and tickets to museum)
- Denver Mountain Parks Clean-up (transportation, safety gear, trash bags, supplies)
- Biking in the Denver Mountain Parks (transportation, rental of bikes and safety gear)
- Fishing in the Denver Mountain Parks (transportation, fishing licenses, rental of fishing equipment)
- Programming of organization's design (transportation, nature education, outdoor activities)

Don't have internet access?

We're here to help! Call 720-893-3556 and leave a voicemail message with your name and a call back number. We will set up time for a comprehensive phone call or to meet you at a Denver Public Library branch or Denver Recreation Center to go through your grant application together.

Additional Information and Support

Applications are graded consistently on a rubric that can be found HERE.

Our team is eager to help you be successful in creating and delivering an amazing project in your community. If you have questions, want to workshop ideas, need connections to partners, or help with your budgets and timelines, we are here to help! Every applicant is designated a grant officer to help them with their application and/or project. Don't hesitate to reach out to us at info@dmpf.net by calling (720)893-3556.