

# Parks and Recreation Department Partnerships

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# Objectives

- **Historical Overview of Partnership Progression**
- **Partnership Benefits**
- **Partnership Portfolio and Pathways**



# History

2011 Public Private Partnership  
Key Advancement

2012-2014 Research and  
Development

2012-2014 Relationship Building  
with existing partners and  
cultivating new relationships

2015 Public Private Partnership  
Key Advancement





# History

2017- 2019 Develop  
Sophistication and Partnership  
Continuum

2020 Council Resolution

2021 Partnership Formalization



# Urban Land Institute Report

- Explored concepts for entering into partnerships
- Coalition of Partners participated
- Conducted an Advisory Services Panel August 25-30, 2019
- Report recommended opportunities for the City to increase nonprofit partnerships





## Resolution 20200312-041

- LRP outlines partnerships as a sustainable strategy
- PARD has established relationships with partners
- Goal to maximize public benefit at minimum taxpayer cost
- Expresses support for partnerships
- Directs Department to work with nonprofit partners to establish relationships
- Deliver status reports
- Bring partnership agreements to Council

# Public-Private Partnership Benefits

- Share significant risks
- Provide funding resources to supplement or replace general fund/capital investment
- Enhance community engagement
- Provides non-monetary resources
- Capacity to seek out innovative projects and partnership opportunities
- Fundraising capacity/capabilities not available to government
- More flexible procurement processes
- Potential to give Department additional funding flexibility and meet more community needs
- Advocacy



# PARD Partnership Configurations

## Partnership Configurations

Partnership A | Public-Private Partnership

Partnership B | Nonprofit Partner

Partnership C | Friends Group,  
Adopt-A-Park

Partnership D | Neighborhoods, National  
Organizations, Local Businesses, Art  
Organizations, etc.





# All Partnership Pathways



- Established base criteria for various levels
- Consistency for like relationships
- Ensure partnership stability and capacity
- Ensure alignment with Department mission and goals
- Organizational governance/constitution
- Demonstrated/required inclusivity
- Demonstrated/required transparency
- Adherence to Established Community Driven Plans
- Defined and Agreement upon Public Benefit



Maintenance and Operations  
Agreement



# Maintenance and Operations Agreement Plus

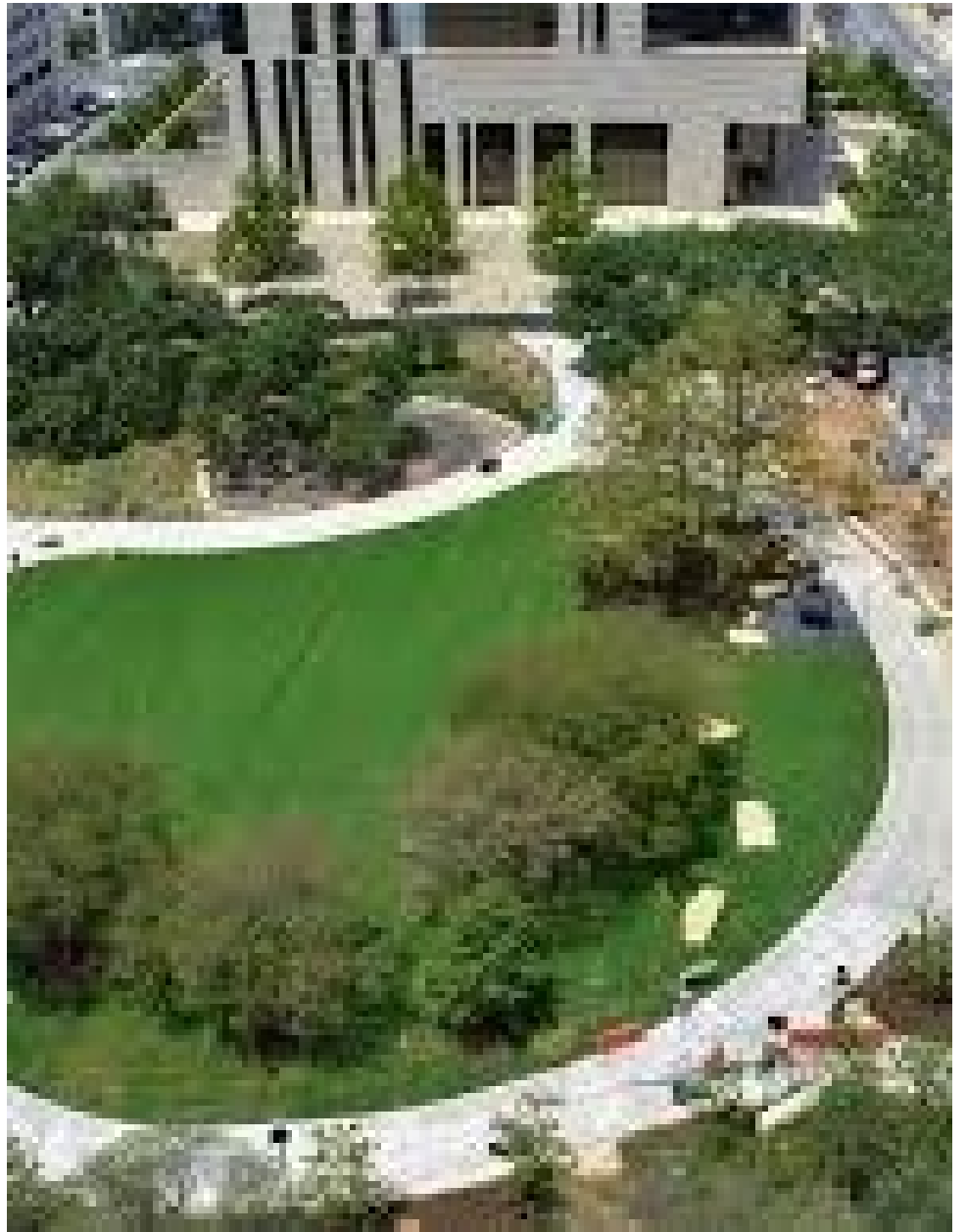






Maintenance and Operations  
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# Project/Program Agreement







## COLONY PARK DISTRICT PARK RIBBON CUTTING

MARCH 7, 2020 10:00AM  
7201 COLONY LOOP DRIVE, AUSTIN, TEXAS 78724

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# Project/Program Agreement









Project Agreement In  
Transition





## Partnership Pathways PARD PARKners

- Parkland Stewardship
- Adopt-A-Park
- Community Activated Park Projects (CAPP)
- Cities Connecting Children to Nature



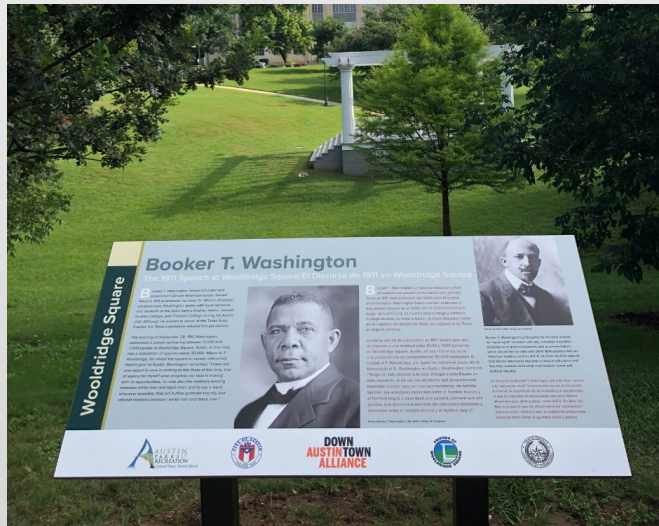
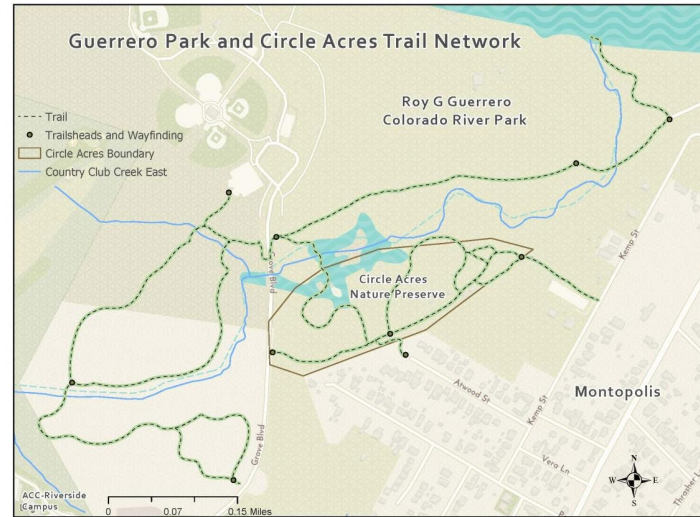


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## REILLY SCHOOL PARK SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING GARDENS

For project information go to [Austintexas.gov/  
department/Reilly-School-Park-social-emotional-learning-gardens](https://austintexas.gov/departments/reilly-school-park-social-emotional-learning-gardens)

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