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Tiffany R. DePaoli, Administrator III Land Acquisition and Planning Maryland Department of Natural Resources 580 Taylor Avenue, E-4 Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: FY2026 Carroll County Program Open Space Annual Program

Dear Tiffany,

Attached is the FY2026 Program Open Space Annual Program for Carroll County and its municipalities. Maps showing the location of each project as well as a county wide map showing all projects included for your reference.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me directly at <u>rhicks@carrollcountymd.gov</u>.

Best Regards,

**Bob Hicks** 

Attachment: FY2026 Carroll County POS Annual Program

#### Carroll County FY2026 Program Open Space Annual Program

#### I. INTRODUCTION

The Carroll County 2022 Land Preservation, Park & Recreation Plan (LPPRP) continues to serve as a guide determining funding priorities for the Carroll County Department of Recreation and Parks. The plan uses previously collected input to help determine priorities for both land preservation and park development. Over the Department's 55+ year history, Program Open Space has played a vital role in providing recreational opportunities to Carroll County's residents and visitors. The FY2026 Annual Program focus on maintaining and improving existing park infrastructure to ensure continued safe usage as well as address new and growing needs expressed by residents.

#### II. PROJECT PRIORITY

Proposed capital project requests are developed annually after receiving input from the public, volunteer recreation councils and the County's eight (8) municipalities. Requests are presented to the County's Recreation and Parks Advisory Board, an 11-member citizen board with representation from each of the County's five (5) Commissioner Districts. During project evaluation, factors such as consistency with the County's LPPRP and department goals, available funding, and cost/benefits are all given consideration.

New recommended county projects are typically added in the County's six-year capital improvement plan's outermost year and work their way forward as funding support allows. In addition, Carroll County annually accepts projects from the municipalities with four (4) towns typically receiving funding each year on a rotating basis. All recommendations are forwarded to the County Commissioners for their approval and projects are ultimately added to the department's capital improvement plan.

#### PROGRAM OPEN SPACE ANNUAL PROGRAM FOR DEVELOPMENT

#### FISCAL YEAR 2026

<u>Sponsor</u>	Project Name, Project Description	Acreage		Source of Funds for Annual Program Only				
		Existing	Ultimate	Project	Total	Local	State (POS Local Funds)	Federal
Carroll County	Piney Run Park – Paving II (POS Project # 7668- 6-431): This project will rectify an aged park main road infrastructure and improve visitor experience. Renovations will include main road rehab, drainage improvements and curbing, new entry gates, new park identification, regulatory, and wayfinding signage, new fencing and guardrails, landscaping and other improvements. Address: 30 Martz Road, Sykesville. LPPRP Goal: Maintain a vibrant park system by protecting and reinvesting in capital asset replacement that addresses life-cycle replacements of existing park infrastructure		834.95	.9	\$479,000	\$47,900	\$431,100	N/A
Carroll County	<b>Piney Run Park – Boathouse Replacement:</b> This project will replace the existing 45-year-old boathouse with a new 950 sq. ft. facility. Work will include demo of the existing and constructing a new boathouse and associated site improvements. The boathouse will serve as a hub for all lake related activities. <b>Address:</b> 30 Martz Road, Sykesville. <b>LPPRP Goals</b> : 1 Maintain a vibrant park system by protecting and reinvesting in capital asset replacement that addresses life-cycle replacements of existing park infrastructure. 2. Expand recreation and park facilities to meet current and future needs.	834.95	834.95	.25	\$488,500	\$48,850	\$439,650	N/A
Carroll County	<b>Piney Run Park – Parking Lot:</b> This project will add approx. 20 additional parking spaces to accommodate the future installation of a pavilion. Work will include full depth asphaltic paving and drainage improvements, ADA compliance, a new crosswalk, traffic calming, regulatory signage, fencing and/or guardrails. <b>Address:</b> 30 Martz Road, Sykesville. <b>LPPRP Goals</b> : 1. Secure funding to complete development of currently owned parkland that is under or undeveloped to create additional	834.95	834.95	.1	\$125,000	\$12,500	\$112,500	N/A

	amenities for public use and enjoyment. 2. Expand recreation and park facilities to meet current and future needs.,							
Carroll County/City of Westminster	Wakefield Valley Park- Raventree Pavilion Improvements: This project will include the installation of a concrete pad under the pavilion and electrical infrastructure. Address: 1000 Fenby Farm Road. LPPRP Goals: 1 Maintain a vibrant park system by protecting and reinvesting in capital asset replacement that addresses life-cycle replacements of existing park infrastructure. 2. Expand recreation and park facilities to meet current and future needs.	187	187	.02	48,014	4,802	43,212	N/A
Carroll County/Town of New Windsor	Maple Avenue Lion's Club Park- Pavilion Improvements: This project is to replace the pavilion roof, soffit, and add a gutter system. Work will also include wall repairs and painting the interior and exterior. Address: 312 Maple Avenue, New Windsor. LPPRP Goals: 1 Maintain a vibrant park system by protecting and reinvesting in capital asset replacement that addresses life-cycle replacements of existing park infrastructure. 2. Expand recreation and park facilities to meet current and future needs.	1.8	1.8	.04	48,014	4,802	43,212	N/A
Carroll County/Town of Union Bridge	Union Bridge Community Center Park – Tennis Court Refurbishment: This project will include the renovation of the existing tennis courts and lighting. Address: 4770 Ladiesburg Road, Union Bridge. LPPRP Goals: 1 Maintain a vibrant park system by protecting and reinvesting in capital asset replacement that addresses life-cycle replacements of existing park infrastructure. 2. Expand recreation and park facilities to meet current and future needs.	8.73	8.73	.26	48,014	4,802	43,212	N/A
Carroll County/City of Taneytown	<b>Taneytown Memorial Park- Expansion Project</b> : This project will include the construction of four natural grass multi-purpose fields. The city will also construct a 5,000 square foot multi-purpose building, and two parking lots. Other amenities include bleachers, playground, concrete walking path, and multiple bioretention facilities. <b>Address:</b> 1 Park Drive, Taneytown. <b>LPPRP Goals</b> : 1. Secure funding to complete development of currently owned parkland that is under or undeveloped to create additional amenities. 2. Expand recreation and park facilities to meet current and future needs.	35.9	57.33	21.43	48,014	4,802	43,212	N/A

## Carroll County Piney Run Park - Paving II





# Carroll County Piney Run Park - Boathouse Replacement





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## Carroll County Piney Run Park - Parking Lot





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## City of Westminster Wakefield Valley Park - Raventree Pavilion











Town of New Windsor Maple Ave Lion's Club Park - Pavilion Improvements







Town of Union Bridge Community Center Park - Tennis Court Rehab





## City of Taneytown Memorial Park - Expansion Project



### Carroll County Map - FY2026 POS Project Locations





Park Trails

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