

DORCHESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND
RECREATION AND PARKS
FY2024 PROGRAM OPEN SPACE ANNUAL PROGRAM



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Land Preservation Parks and Recreation Planning

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School Street Property

School Street Property is approximately 22 acres of public recreation space consisting of one baseball/softball field and a large green space area for soccer, football, and lacrosse. This facility is used heavily by our local youth football league in the fall, lacrosse in the spring, and soccer and baseball throughout the year. The construction of a walking path will allow fitness enthusiasts an opportunity to run or walk on a surface that loops around the perimeter of the athletic fields.

Currently, the open green space area has not been professionally restored with the proper athletic surface, drainage, and soil conditions. This study will provide us a pathway in developing consistent playing surface areas and providing equal opportunities to all players, and meeting the standards for safe play.

Dorchester County Pool

The Dorchester County pool is located on a 3.0 acre property at 107 Virginia Avenue in Cambridge, Maryland. The pool is one of the region's largest public pool facilities with a zero degree entryway that is convenient for guests with a range of physical abilities. The amenities that this pool offers consists of two slides, a snack bar/concession stand, picnic tables, tot-lot play scape playground, and men's and women's shower and changing facilities/restrooms. The pool's changing facilities/restrooms and concession stand are in dire need of upgrading. The focus of these two respective renovation projects will be internal areas, excluding the replacement of the roofs.

Maple Dam Road Property

In preparation for the pre-emptive soft launching of a canoe and kayak launching area; we would like to re-establish the lane with wood chips, to place picnic tables and benches at the site, and develop a walking trail.

Vienna Back Street Property

The 4.61 acres that is W/S on MD Route 331 has open green space for the development of a park for citizens to have access to park benches, picnic tables, trees, and a walking trail.

Dorchester County Athletic Complex at Leonard's Lane

Dorchester County Athletic Complex at Leonard's Lane is an integral building for our Recreation and Parks department. Our offices are located on the second floor of the building while the first floor has over 27,000 square feet of Multi-Purpose flooring to meet the needs and demands of recreational programs and can accommodate all athletic practices, games, and rentals.

The parking lot in front of the complex is in dire need to repaving and stripping of parking spaces. The existing parking lot has cracks throughout the entire lot and potholes are starting to develop in different areas. There are thirty-two parking spaces and the size of the entire parking lot is 15,116 square feet. A new parking lot will add a much needed curb appeal to our respective complex along with avoiding any liability concerns from our patrons, and lowering costs due to temporary maintenance, resulting in the attraction of new clients.

Vienna Back Street Property

A park pavilion will provide an area for the patrons to gather for picnics, relaxation, events, outdoor dining, and educational activities. The respective amenity will greatly compliment the park aesthetics and provide a perfect setting for the patrons to utilize throughout the year.

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ANNUAL PROGRAM FOR DEVELOPMENT
FISCAL YEAR 2024

Project Name/Description	Acreage	Source of Funds for Annual Program Only		
		Total	Local	State (POS Local Funds)
Walking Path at School Street Property/Professional Surveying, Environmental Consulting and Design Services	22 Acres	\$100,000	\$10,000	\$90,000
Dorchester County Pool/Upgrading Restrooms and Concession	3.0 Acres	\$115,000	\$11,500	\$103,500
Maple Dam Road Property/Preparation for Preemptive Soft Launching Area	4.0 Acres	\$115,000	\$11,500	\$103,500
Vienna Back Street Property/Park Development	4.61 Acres	\$50,000	\$5,000	\$45,000
Dorchester County Athletic Complex at Leonard's Lane/Repaving and Striping of Parking Lot	0.36 Acres	\$200,000	\$20,000	\$180,000
Vienna Back Street Property/Pavilion	4.61 Acres	\$30,000	\$3,000	\$27,000
Total		\$610,000	\$61,000	\$549,000

Program Open Space
Annual Program for Acquisitions
Fiscal Year 2024

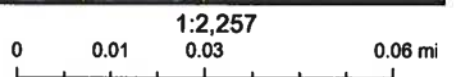
Program Name/Description	Acreage	Source of Funds for Annual Program Only		
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Land Preservation Parks and Recreation Planning/LPPRP 2027 Planning		\$25,000		\$25,000
Dorchester County is currently exploring new property acquisitions to provide more opportunities for outdoor recreation				
Total		\$25,000		\$25,000

School Street Property

ArcGIS Web Map



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Virginia Avenue Pool Improvements
107 Virginia Ave, Cambridge, Dorchester
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Maple Dam Road Property



Vienna Back Street Property



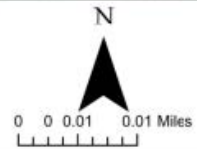
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515 LEONARD LANE CAMBRIDGE, MARYLAND 21613

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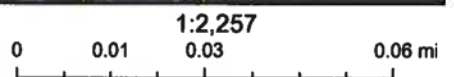
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