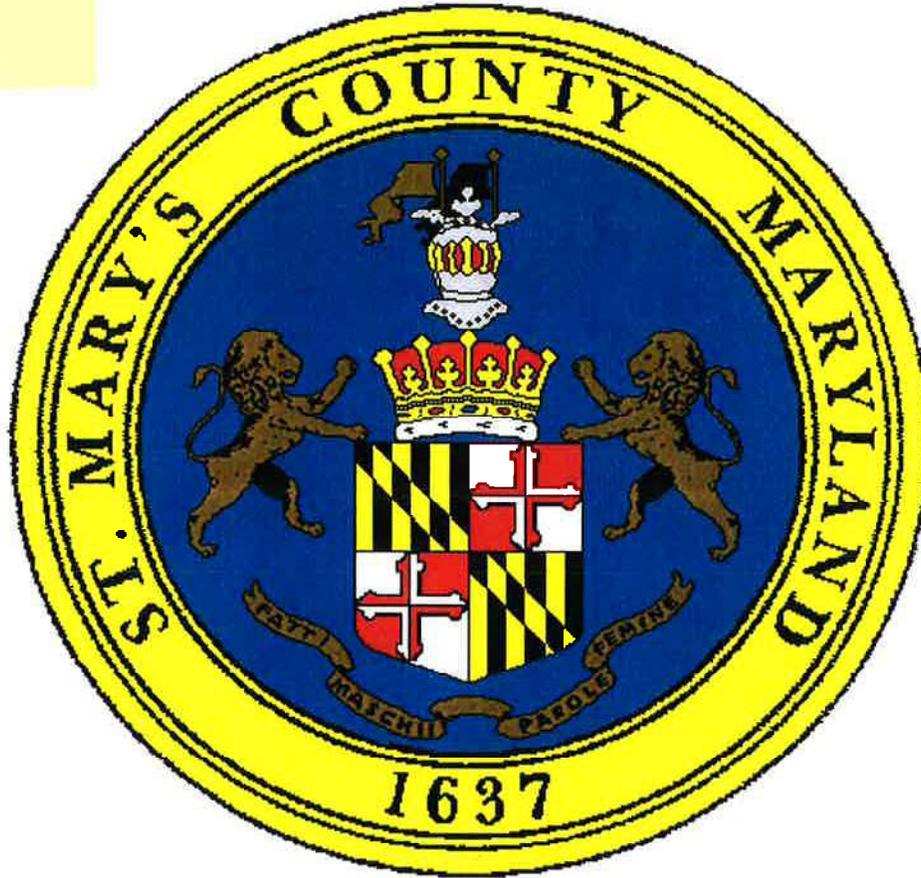


St. Mary's County

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**Annual Program for
Proposed Program Open Space
Acquisition and Development Projects
Fiscal Year 2021**



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Arthur Shepherd, Director

June 23, 2020

Ms. Margaret Lashar
Administrator
Program Open Space
Land Acquisition and Planning
Department of Natural Resources
580 Taylor Avenue, E-4
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Ms. Lashar:

Attached please find one (1) original and one copy of the Fiscal Year 2021 Program Open Space Annual Program as follows:

Acquisition Project

FY2022 Land Preservation, Parks and Recreation Plan (LPPRP) - Update

Development Project(s)

Lancaster Park Playground

Please feel free to contact me at (301) 475-4200 ext. 71812 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Arthur Shepherd
Director

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St. Mary's County

Program Open Space Annual Program

INTRODUCTION

St. Mary's County's Fiscal Year 2021 Annual Program includes one (1) development project and one (1) acquisition project as follows:

1. Funding to assist with the cost of playground equipment, fencing and safety surface at Lancaster Park Playground.
2. Funding to assist with the funding of a consultant to update the 2017 Land Preservation, Parks and Recreation Plan (LPPRP) for FY2022.

The projects proposed in Fiscal Year 2021 are consistent with goals identified in the County's Comprehensive Plan and the LPPRP. The projects are also included in the County's FY2021 capital budget program. The process used to select the project included:

- Staff review and recommendation to the Recreation and Parks Citizen Advisory Board.
- Recreation and Parks Board adoption and recommendation to the Commissioners of St. Mary's County.
- Planning Commission review and recommendation to the Commissioners of St. Mary's County.
- Commissioners of St. Mary's County adoption.

PROGRAM OPEN SPACE
ANNUAL PROGRAM FOR ACQUISITION

FISCAL YEAR 2021

Sponsor	Project Name, Project Description (Project Description Attached)	Acreage			Source of Funds (for Annual Program Only)			
		Existing	Ultimate	Project	Total	Local	State POS (Local Funds)	Other
St. Mary's County	Land Preservation, Parks and Recreation Plan (LPPRP) FY2022	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000	

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St. Mary's County POS Annual Program

Development Project Description

Playground Equipment (Replacement) – Lancaster Park

The County is proposing to utilize \$350,000 in Fiscal Year 2021 Program Open Space – Local funds to assist with the purchase and installation of playground equipment at Lancaster Park located at 21550 Willows Road, Lexington Park, Maryland 20653. The original playground was installed in 2001 and plans are for playground upgrades and replacements every twenty years. The playground will be made of metal and plastic materials. This project will also include fencing (for safety) and safety surfacing to enhance ADA accessibility. The estimated cost of the playground equipment, fencing and safety surfacing is \$500,000 and will consist of County and Program Open Space – Local funds.

The project is consistent with the 2017 Land Preservation, Parks, and Recreation Plan in Goal#4: Continue to operate, maintain, and improve existing County parks, recreation facilities, museums, and open spaces in an efficient and cost-effective manner for the benefit of residents and visitors.

The project is also in compliance with the County's Comprehensive Plan section 10.2.2.D. Create new and enhanced facilities to provide recreational opportunities while preserving environmental, aesthetic, and cultural quality (page 10-5).

Land, Preservation, Parks and Recreation Plan (LPPRP) – 2022 Update

The County is proposing to utilize \$25,000 in Fiscal Year 2021 Program Open Space – Local funds to assist with the funding of a consultant to update the 2017 Land, Preservation, Parks and Recreation Plan (LPPRP). This plan is required by state law as a prerequisite to participate in the Program Open Space funding program.

This Plan The project is consistent with the purpose of the 2017 Land Preservation, Parks, and Recreation Plan: This Plan provides current information and establishes goals and recommendations to guide St. Mary's County in providing, improving, and best leveraging its system of parks, recreation services, and open space amenities to meet the growing needs and desires of residents and visitors.

The project is also in compliance with the County's Comprehensive Plan section 10.2.2.D. Create new and enhanced facilities to provide recreational opportunities while preserving environmental, aesthetic, and cultural quality (page 10-5).

PROGRAM OPEN SPACE
ANNUAL PROGRAM FOR DEVELOPMENT

FISCAL YEAR 2021

Sponsor	Project Name; Project Description (Project Description Attached)	Average			Source of Funds (for Annual Program Only)			
		Existing	Ultimate	Project	Total	Local County	State POS (Local Funds)	Other
St. Mary's County	Lancaster Park Playground		N/A	N/A	\$500,000	\$150,000	\$350,000	

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Location Map

