

2026 Land and Water Conservation Fund

The U.S. Department of the Interior provides funds, administered by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), for the acquisition or development of recreational facilities.

GRANT CATEGORIES:

Acquisition: This program funds the acquisition of land for open space, park sites conservation areas and trails.

Development: Eligible facilities include but are not limited to waterfront access, picnic areas, trails, pools, ballfields, soccer fields, tennis, basketball and volleyball courts, playgrounds, outdoor theatres and boating and fishing features. Associated support facilities such as lighting, parking, restrooms, concessions, and landscaping are eligible, but may not account for more than 50% of the project cost.

Application Deadline: December, 2025

Total Funding Available: Approx. \$11,000,000

Maximum Grant Amount: \$1,500,000

Match Requirement: 100%