



ANNUAL PROGRAM
For PROPOSED PROGRAM OPEN SPACE
DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS
FY 2023





Somerset County Department of Recreation, Parks and Tourism

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Dear Mr. McQuarrie:

Please find attached (1) original copy of Somerset's Fiscal Year 2023 Program Open Space Annual Program, including:

Development Projects (3)
County Project Location Map (1)

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Respectfully,

Gregory C. Sterling, Jr.
Director

FY 2023 PROGRAM OPEN SPACE PLAN

The following projects are planned in Somerset County to enhance the public's access to quality recreation and safe facilities. In determining the priorities for Open Space Projects in the county the following factors were considered:

1. Number of people impacted
2. Date of last POS project completed at that site
3. How the project benefits the citizens in the outlying areas of Somerset County
4. How the project contributes to the overall fitness and opportunities for exercise of the populace

Princess Anne Little League Complex

This project aims to improve the playing surfaces and dugout areas at our largest baseball/softball complex. The facility hosts tournament play and regular league play from our local Babe Ruth/Cal Ripken Leagues. We plan to resurface the grass infield areas, expand the size of the dugouts and regrade 3 fields.

Westover Gymnasium

This project aims to install an HVAC unit in the existing gym area. This gym hosts a variety of community groups and teams and is the main area for our wellness and fitness classes. Additionally, during times of vaccinations and other instances of public health situations, this facility serves as the central location for Health Department outreach.

Great Hope Nature and Wellness Trail

This project in conjunction with the funds provided from the Land and Water Conservation Grant will establish a permanent nature and wellness trail at Great Hope Golf Course that will be accessible to the general public. The trail will encourage a greater number of people to use the facility for activities in addition to golf and provide options for low to high impact exercise with the placement of fitness equipment on the trail. Also, a rehabilitation of the existing pavilion will create options for park type activities on site.

Somerset County is happy to present its annual plan for Program Open Space and considers the funding provided by this program to be essential in meeting our Recreational goals and providing safe and meaningful opportunities for our citizens and visitors.

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FISCAL YEAR 2022**

<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Project Name, Project Description</u>	<u>Acreage</u>			<u>Source of Funds for Annual Program Only</u>			
		<u>Existing</u>	<u>Ultimate</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>State (POS Local Funds)</u>	<u>Federal</u>
Somerset	Princess Anne Little League	25	25	n/a	100,000	10,000	90,000	
Somerset	Westover Gymnasium	.8	.8	n/a	100,000	10,000	90,000	
Somerset	Great Hope Nature Wellness Trail/Pavilion	200	200	n/a	100,000	10,000	40,000	50,000

2023 Program Open Space Local Plan Locations

1. Westover Gymnasium
2. Princess Anne Little League Complex
3. Great Hope Golf Course

