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SUBJECT: \$45,650 in Neighborhood Parks Grants Awarded to Duluth Community Organizations (revised)

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[Duluth, MN] – The City of Duluth, through the Parks Fund, has awarded \$45,650 in grants to community organizations that aim to improve and enhance recreation services in Duluth parks, trails, and recreational facilities. Interested organizations submitted proposals to the Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation and were recommended for funding by a review committee.

The City Council reviewed the recommendations and approved funding for the following programs and projects at their June 9 meeting:

Cyclists of Gitchee Gumee Shores: \$5,000 for new and existing trail signage on multi-use trails

Cyclists of Gitchee Gumee Shores: \$2,500 for the Duluth Traverse trail construction from the Brewer Park trail system down the banks of Keene Creek to Cody Street in West Duluth

Duluth Community Garden Program: \$3,350 for the Let's Grow Edible Duluth program to make infrastructure improvements at existing community gardens on City owned property

Duluth Sister Cities International: \$5,000 for Summer Celebration-Lake Place Summer Sounds a free summer concert series at Lake Place Park Wednesdays from July 16-August 20.

Goodwill Industries: \$5,000 for a MOFAS Summer youth employment program. This is a work for credit program.

Lake Superior Zoological Society: \$5,000 for a volunteer docent program

Neighbors of Lower Chester Park: \$1,800 Lower Chester Park basketball hoops and trash/recycling Bins

One Roof Community Housing: \$5,000 for Central Hillside Park revitalization

The Salvation Army: \$4,000 for the RBA Dunkin in Duluth 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament

Wheels on Trails Organization: \$4,000 to help people experience Duluth parks and trails for non-traditional users

Woodland Hills: \$5,000 for a summer explorers club connecting kids with healthy lifestyle activities to teach life skills and build confidence.