Planning for our future
Make our parks a part of your legacy...

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WHO WE ARE

The Department of Parks and Recreation and Public Lands (PRPL) manages the City’s Parks and Recreation System. Residents and visitors are offered approximately 2,580 acres of parkland that includes 171 park areas, 30 miles of paved multi use trails, pools, playgrounds, shelters, and a variety of fields. In 2013 the Parks System received over 2.5 million visits.

In addition to the park system, the department provides over 270 recreational programs for people of all ages. These programs are offered in a wide range of interests including: Aquatics, Youth sports, Youth Camps, Adult Sports, Fitness, and Special Interest programs. In addition, activities are also provided are also provided by the department indirectly through partnerships with various organizations.
Parks are a place to preserve memories

INTRODUCTION

Parks are a place for making memories, coming together as families and friends and uniting us a community. The Billings Parks and Recreation Department invites you to be a part of this experience. Community giving can come in many different forms with long lasting benefits that improve the quality of life for everyone. Together we can build an even better community by enhancing our beautiful parks and trails, as well as, promoting educational and recreational opportunities for all ages.

We invite you to be a part of making our community even better. Please explore the options in this guide. All contributions are tax deductible. The items presented represent structures and amenities that are of need. Please be aware that not all parks need each amenity shown. We will be happy to help you match your contribution with the locations most appropriate. All contributions will be subject to final approval by the Parks and Recreation Department. This approval all amenities and structures. If you don’t find the information you are looking for, our staff will gladly help in any way possible.
SITE AMENITIES

Site amenities are an important part of the Billings Parks System. The images below represent the types of amenities needed along with associated price ranges. The exact product and cost will depend on park location and current prices. Please contact our staff to discuss amenity placement and current costs. All site amenity gifts will be recognized on the Parks and Recreation Web Site.

BIKE RACK:
Your gift of a bike rack will improve the security of the park for cycling patrons both young and old.
*Cost: $700

WATER FOUNTAIN:
A water fountain is a great addition to the parks both aesthetically and functionally.
*Cost: $2,000 - $4,000

ACCESSIBLE PICNIC TABLE:
Consider making the parks more inviting and accessible for Billings citizens with the gift of an accessible picnic table.
*Cost: $1,200

BENCH:
Benches are a perfect way to help provide a place for visitors to sit down and enjoy the beauty of the City Parks.
*Cost: $1,200

*A sponsorship plaque can be affixed to amenities for an additional charge. Please speak with a Parks and Recreation staff member for information.
Trail Head Signs and Informational Kiosks help create a positive experience for park users by providing direction and information. The images below represent the types of signs needed along with the associated price ranges. The exact product and cost will depend on park location and current prices. Please contact our staff to discuss amenity placement and current costs. All site amenity gifts will be recognized on the Parks and Recreation Web Site.

*Cost: $5,000.00—$10,000.00

*A sponsorship plaque can be affixed to signs and kiosks for an additional charge. Please speak with a Parks and Recreation staff member for information.
SHELTERS & PLAYGROUNDS

SHELTERS:
Shelters are an integral part of the Billings Park System. They provide protection from the elements and serve as excellent gathering place for families and groups. Individuals wishing to help in the development of park shelters can make a contribution to the Park Shelter Fund. Gifts to the Park Shelter Fund will be recognized on the Parks and Recreation Web Site. To obtain a list of current shelters in development, contact the Parks and Recreation Office.

Businesses, individuals, or groups interested in becoming the major sponsor (by providing 51% or more of the cost of the project) of a shelter are encouraged to make an appointment with the Parks and Recreation Director to discuss giving options along with naming opportunities and plaque recognition.

PLAYGROUNDS:
Playgrounds can be a focal point of a well planned park. They are a place for Billings’s youngest citizens to get outside and enjoy the chance to play with mom and dad or grandpa and grandma. Playgrounds encourage an active and healthy lifestyle in children.

If you would like to make a gift to the development of Billings Parks playgrounds, please consider supporting the Playground Fund. Your gift will go to the development of future playgrounds in the Billings Parks System. All contributions to the playground fund will be recognized on the Parks and Recreation Web Site.

Businesses, individuals, or groups interested in becoming the major sponsor (by providing 51% or more of the cost of the project) of a shelter are encouraged to make an appointment with the Parks and Recreation Director to discuss giving options along with naming opportunities and plaque recognition.
COMMEMORATIVE BRICK CAMPAIGN:
Be a part of making Dog Parks in Billings a reality by purchasing an engraved brick with the name of your special pet, family, loved one, business or organization. Your custom brick will help create memories to last a lifetime.

SIZES AND COST:
Red Brick 8” x 8” ~ $300  Red Brick 4” x 8” ~ $100

For more information about the engraving process along with character limits and symbol options and costs, please contact the Parks and Recreation Staff.

Please note: Bricks have to be ordered, delivered and installed. They are ordered in groups, so it may be some time before your brick is actually installed. We will notify you when your brick is installed. Brick orders on hand will be engraved and installed as each dog park is built. If at all possible, we will try to accommodate your wishes as to the location of your brick.

DOG PARK COMMITTEE:
The Friends of the Billings Dog Parks is a committee that works with the Billings Parks and Recreation Department to fundraise and promote the future development of dog parks in Billings. The committee holds various fundraiser events throughout the year to help support this goal. Volunteers are always needed to help with the special events, or to serve on the committee in different capacities. To get involved and help pave the way for continued growth in Billings’s Dog Parks, contact the Parks and Recreation Department.
MEMORIAL TREES

A Memorial Tree is a great way to celebrate the life of a loved one, the birth of a new child, to honor an employees accomplishment or even plant a tree for a special event.

Your tax deductible gift will be used to purchase trees to be planted in the Billings Parks system. The trees will be cared for by the Forestry Division personnel.

HOW IT WORKS:
Choose a Park from the list (please consult our staff)
Choose a Tree species from the desired list
Choose Plaque size (optional)

The Billings Parks Urban Forestry Staff will find the perfect place in your desired park. They will acquire and plant the tree of your choosing and guarantee its survival for up to 10 years.

COST:
Cost of tree: $425.00

DESIRED SPECIES:
Bur Oak, Hackberry, Blue Spruce, Honey Locust, Ponderosa Pine, Linden, Elm. (Deciduous trees will be approximately 2” in diameter and conifer trees will be 6’ tall. Trees can be purchased any time, however, planting will only take place in the spring or fall.)

PLAQUE:
A plaque is optional with tree planting. Plaques take approximately 4-6 weeks to create. The bronze plaque will be set in cement and placed flush with the ground adjacent to your tree.

Sizes: 5” x 3” = $169.00, 6” x 5” = $189.00, 8” x 6” = $230.00
Volunteer
Give the gift of your time

Another great way to give back to the community is by giving some of your time through volunteer service. There are a variety of ways to be involved in the Billings Parks and Recreation Department from keeping an eye on your favorite park as a volunteer park ranger to joining a volunteer work day helping clean up one of the local trails. Volunteering has a tremendous impact on the Billings Park System. If you are interested in finding out more about volunteer opportunities, call or visit the Parks and Recreation office so we can help match you with an opportunity that fits your skills and interests or visit the volunteer section at billingsparks.org.

Recreation Brochure
Community Sponsor

Billings Parks and Recreation is a hidden gem in our community. We are a quiet, but integral part of everyday life in Billings. We oversee and maintain our parks, trails, and pools, and also offer experiences and classes. These opportunities are presented in our Winter and Summer Activities Guides. Between these two guides, 52,000 copies are distributed into the community annually. They are inserted in the January and May issues of Simply Family Magazine, sent home with students through area schools, and distributed through businesses and public areas. We invite you to partner with us as we introduce Billings to the many ways they can live, play and enjoy our community!
$15,000 Exclusive
Full Year Sponsorship of Billings Parks and Recreation Guides includes:
• Listed as ONLY and exclusive sponsor of Billings Parks and Recreation Guide for a full year (2 issues)
• Back Page of both Winter and Summer Guides
• Two page Double Spread in the center of both guides
• Sponsorship logo and acknowledgment on directory page of both guides
• Sponsorship acknowledgment and logo in all promotional advertising
• Recognition of Partnership on Billings Parks and Recreation website for full year.
• 8 Thank You Facebook posts per year.

$10,000 Major
Full Year Sponsorship of Billings Parks and Recreation Guides includes:
• Listing as the Major sponsor of Billings Parks and Recreation Guide for a full year (2 issues)
• Back Page of both Winter and Summer Guides
• Full Page in center inside of guide of both Winter and Summer Guides.
• Sponsorship logo and acknowledgment on directory page of both guides
• Recognition of Partnership on Billings Parks and Recreation website for full year
• Sponsorship acknowledgment and logo in all promotional advertising
• 4 Thank You Facebook posts per year.

$5,000 Contributing
Full Year Sponsorship of Billings Park and Recreation Guides includes:
• Back Page of both Winter and Summer Guides
• Sponsor logo and acknowledgment on directory page of both guides
• Sponsor acknowledgment and logo in all promotional advertising
• 2 thank you Facebook posts per year
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