



NORTH CLACKAMAS PARKS & RECREATION DISTRICT

Serving 106,000 residents of unincorporated Clackamas County and the City of Milwaukie.

North Clackamas Parks & Recreation District connects people to nature, activities, and each other.

38

Parks, Trails & Natural Areas
including 6-mile Trolley Trail

106K

Residents Served
across 27 sq. miles

73K

Volunteer Hours
(FY 24/25)

98%

Customer Satisfaction Rate

Your parks. Your community. Your district.

NCPRD is the public agency that maintains and operates the parks, trails, natural areas, and recreation facilities you use every day. From the wave pool at North Clackamas Aquatic Park — the largest in Oregon — to the new splash pad at Concord Community Center, to the 6-mile Trolley Trail, NCPRD brings the community together.

EACH YEAR, NCPRD DELIVERS:

-  167,000+ visitors to North Clackamas Aquatic Park
-  15,000+ participants in recreation programs, sports leagues, and summer camps
-  Meals on Wheels and older adult social services at the Milwaukie Community Center
-  Concerts, cultural events, and free summer park programming for families
-  Stewardship of natural areas, including Boardman Wetlands Nature Park

Strong district. Real fiscal challenge.

NCPRD has been a financially responsible, well-run public agency for more than 35 years. The district lives within its budget, stretches grant dollars, and mobilizes thousands of community volunteers each year. But responsible stewardship requires sustainable revenue — and NCPRD's structural funding gap is growing despite its best efforts.

The permanent tax rate that funds NCPRD operations has not changed since 1990, even as the cost of running parks, facilities, and programs has increased significantly. While tax revenue increases by about 3% annually, operating costs are climbing much faster. For example, electricity costs alone have risen by an average of 9% per year over the past five years — an overall increase of 43%.



If nothing changes, the district is projected to reach a fiscal cliff in FY 2031–32 — a point at which it can no longer fund basic operations.

See the back of this sheet to learn about the community process underway to find a solution.



Our parks need long-term financial stability.

Without a change in sustained funding, annual budget reductions will continue. That will mean shuttering parks and facilities and ending programs that thousands of community members depend on.

NCPRD's tax rate is the lowest of any parks and recreation district in Oregon. Every other comparable district in the state has pursued additional funding over time to meet community needs, and NCPRD is now engaging with the community to explore similar options.



A community-driven process to find the right solution.

NCPRD is evaluating potential funding solutions, in partnership with the Trust for Public Land, a national nonprofit with more than 30 years of experience helping communities build and protect public parks.

THE PROCESS HAS THREE PHASES:



The feasibility study provides an overview of potential funding mechanisms, including district tax options, and rate scenarios.

To understand where the community stands, NCPRD and the Trust for Public Land will conduct a survey of district residents, and NCPRD staff will engage with the District Advisory Committee (DAC) and community groups about options for the district's financial sustainability. This input will help gauge priorities and support for different funding approaches. A decision will be made by summer 2026.



MORE INFO AT [NCPRD.ORG/FUNDING-OUR-FUTURE](https://ncprd.org/funding-our-future)

TAX REVENUE
GROWING:

~3%
per year

Permanent tax rate:
\$0.54/\$1,000
unchanged since 1990

OPERATING
COSTS RISING:

~9%
per year

Electricity costs alone
have risen by an
average **9%** each year
over the past 5 years

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