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Sapulpa Youth Complex
Lands Improvement Grant

The Sapulpa Parks and Recreation Department announces it has been awarded a \$102,700 grant to improve the city's Youth Complex. The grant was a result of the Parks Department's application made in 2016.

The Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department (OTRD) administers the Federal Land & Water Conversation Fund which provided the award. The award amount must be equally matched by City funds, which it earlier approved.

"The Parks Department is pleased by this further opportunity to improve Sapulpa's Park system," said Parks Director John Waytula. "We commend the city's foresight in investing in Sapulpa's youth and allowing the grant application to be made."

The funds will be used to provide lighting for Sapulpa's two new youth football fields and for core area improvements for the youth baseball complex. Receipt of the grant funds will occur upon the City's completion of the project and its passing final federal inspections.

Grants such as this play an integral part of the Parks Department's Alternative Funding Program's ongoing search to identify "external" funding for improving and/or maintaining the Sapulpa's Parks and Recreation system. Proposed projects are identified and prioritized by the Parks Department staff and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board with grass roots community input.

Since its inception in 1991, the Alternative Funding Program has generated 132 grant awards and gifts totaling \$7,117,684.12 which averages \$284,707 per year benefitting the Sapulpa community.

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