

Attachment
SMMC Item 13
August 28, 2006

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**SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY
GRANT APPLICATION**

Project Name: Marsh Street Skate Park Landscaping Project	Amount of Request: \$ 60,000 Total Project Cost: \$ 200,000						
Applicant Name: Los Angeles Neighborhood Land Trust	Amount of Match: \$ 200,000 Source of Match: City of Los Angeles CDBG funding						
Applicant Address: 315 W. 9 th Street, Suite 1002, Los Angeles, CA 90015	Project Address: 2945-2951 Marsh Street, Elysian Valley, CA 90039						
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Grantee's Authorized Representative:
Tsilah Burman, Executive Director 213-572-0188

Name and Title *Phone*

Person with day-to-day responsibility for project:
Tsilah Burman, Executive Director 213-572-0188

Name and Title *Phone*

Brief Scope of Work (60 words maximum):
The funding requested from SMMC will be used to add landscaping and improvements that will enhance the visual presentation of the skate park and might include: fencing, shade trees, vine and shrub planting, irrigation, a drinking fountain and a storage shed. These were all included in the original project scope.

Funding Source Applied for: Proposition 40

Narrative/Project Description:

Background

Residents of the Elysian Valley community were involved in the concept development of a skate park on Marsh Street since 2001. Because of the lack of green space and recreational facilities in the area, the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy (SMMC), the City Council Office, Elysian Valley United (EVU) and residents worked together to designate a space for and to find \$200,000 in CDBG funding from the City of Los Angeles for the development of the skate park. In 2003, EVU also applied to SMMC for Proposition 40 funding for landscaping and landscape-related expenditures for the skate park. The vision was to build the skate park to meet the needs of local youth and to beautify the neighborhood.

EVU and the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) had been working on a contract whereby EVU would develop, maintain and operate the skate park. However, at the end of 2004 when the Los Angeles Neighborhood Land Trust (LANLT) was established and deemed to have greater capacity, LANLT was asked to take EVU's place in the development, maintenance and operations of the skate park. In 2005, LANLT signed a lease with MRCA and signed an agreement with the City to take over EVU's interest in the property and the funding to develop the skate park.

Funds Requested

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The CDBG funding and SMMC Prop 40 funding were based on 2003 construction costs. Although construction costs have increased, there is still only \$200,000 of CDBG funding for the development of the skate park. Because of this fact and the fact that the community has waited over three years for this park to be developed, the skate park will be phased so as not to hold up construction and build a first phase with the CDBG and SMMC funding while continuing to seek additional funding to complete the whole project. As with construction costs, landscaping and landscape-related costs have also risen.

The funds being requested from SMMC will be used as originally planned to add landscaping and improvements that will enhance the visual presentation of the skate park and will help create the connection between the skate park and the surrounding existing and planned SMMC parks. The grant will cover costs for creating the grassy area, trees, plants (such as vines and shrubs), irrigation, fencing, and the seating areas in the landscaped areas, as well as originally requested a drinking fountain and storage shed. LANLT is therefore requesting a Prop 40 grant from SMMC of \$60,000.

Tasks / Milestones:	Budget:	Completion Date
1 Demolition, grading, concrete, ramps, development costs, contingencies	\$200,000	December 2006
2 Landscaping and landscape-related Costs	\$60,000	November 2006
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Acquisition Projects: **APN(s):** n/a
Acreage: n/a

I certify that the information contained in this Grant Application form, including required attachments, is accurate.



Signature of Authorized Representative

8/7/06

Date

Interim Form SMM-001



Marsh Street Skate Park Landscaping Project
Proposition 40 SMMC Matching Grant Program
August 2006

Proposed Budget

Item	SMMC Grant Cost	City of L.A. Cost
Skate Park Construction		190,000
Construction Contingency		10,000
Benches	12,000	
Fence	20,000	
Drinking Fountain	5,000	
Irrigation, Planting & Meters	23,000	
Grant Total:	60,000	200,000



Our Mission

The mission of the Los Angeles Neighborhood Land Trust (LANLT) is to create small, accessible community green spaces, such as parks and community gardens to address the lack of open spaces in Los Angeles' underserved neighborhoods and to ensure community participation and collaboration in every step of the process of creating and managing these parks and community gardens.

Goals

- To create and assist in the sustenance of parks and community gardens in underserved communities that do not have such resources.
- To cultivate and sustain community pride and ownership in these places through neighborhood participation in the planning, development, programming and management of these neighborhood parks and community gardens.
- To create a model for a sustainable infrastructure that supports communities in ensuring the long-term success of these places and to ensure that they will remain parks or community gardens.
- To advocate for greater equity in the distribution of park resources.
- To influence public policy which promotes and supports the development of parks and community gardens in low-income neighborhoods that have long been neglected.

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LANLT Fact Sheet As of June 20, 2006

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Active Projects

1. *Estrella Park, South Los Angeles* – CD 1 Neighborhood park going through reconfiguration and refurbishment Summer 2006. Refurbishment funded by S. Mark Taper Foundation and Annenberg Foundation. LANLT offers fitness, nutrition and environmental programming (called "On the Move" program) thru a grant from the California Endowment.
2. *Marsh Street Skate Park, Elysian Valley* – CD 13 Skate park leased from Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy. Construction funded by Community Development Block Grant funding. We are in the bidding process as of June 2006.
3. *Watts, South Los Angeles* – CD 15 Providing "On the Move" program funded by CA Endowment.
4. *Marson Street, Panorama City* – CD 6 Anna Bing Trust funded project. Long-term leased from the City of LA. LANLT facilitated community involvement in design process. City to award bid for the development and construction is expected to begin in August 2006. Providing "On the Move" program funded by CA Endowment.
5. *Beverly and Union, Historic Filipinotown* – CD 13 Anna Bing Trust funded project. Long-term leased from the City of LA. LANLT facilitated community involvement in design process. City to award bid for the development and construction is expected to begin in August 2006.
6. *52nd and Broadway, South Los Angeles* – CD 9 Anna Bing Trust funded project. Long-term leased from the City of LA. LANLT facilitated community involvement in design process. City to award bid for the development and construction is expected to begin in August 2006.

Planned Projects

1. *Francis Avenue Garden, McArthur Park/Koreatown* – CD 1 Community garden and gathering place. Land is owned by a private owner. Prop K funding will be used to acquire property so it will always remain as community open space.
2. *Gage and Avalon, South Los Angeles* – CD 9 Pocket park planned for a large City median. The lead partner in this project is the CANN DU Neighborhood Council. Prop K funding will be used to build the park.
3. *Cabrito Paseo Walking Trail and Bike Path, Panorama City* – CD 6 Prop O will be funding the elements that improve permeability and water quality. Kaiser Permanente gave us a grant for \$15,000 to go toward this project.



4. *Fremont High School Garden, South Los Angeles* – CD 9 Prop O will be funding the elements that improve permeability and water quality. We are working with high school staff, Youth Opportunities Unlimited and community members on this project. We have spoken with the LAUSD Joint Use group about putting joint use funds toward this project.

Budget

2004	\$130,419	
2005	\$410,496	
2006P	\$917,406	P - Projected

Contract Funds and Large Grants Received or Receiving

CDBG for Skate Park	\$200,000	Construction Funds
S. Mark Taper Foundation	\$75,000	for Estrella Park Refurbishment
Annenberg Foundation	\$83,000	for Estrella Park Refurbishment
California Endowment	\$49,999	for fitness, nutrition and environmental health programming at 3 sites (Estrella, Marson and Watts)
Anna Bing for 3 Parks		Insurance costs
City of LA GCP 2004-2005	\$495,000	GCP = General City Purposes Funds
City of LA GCP 2005-2006	\$100,000	
City of LA GCP 2006-2007	\$100,000	

Staff

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August 15, 2006

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RE: Marsh Street Skate Park

The specification you requested for the Addendum items we originally bid on June 9 would be as follows:

- **Landscaping:** Furnish and install approximately 4,400 SF of grass. Seed grass, soil amendment and top dressing. Irrigation system with 4 station control, spring loaded pop up heads, Class 125 (non-pressurized) and Schedule 40 (pressurized) PVC piping. Manual powered system.
- **Fencing:** Approx. 230 LF of 6' Wrought Iron, 1.5" square tubing and 1/4" square pickets. Approx. 230 LF 6' chain link, 10' spacing, top rail and bottom tension wire. Approx. 460 LF total.
- **Seating Area:** Manufacturer – Progressive Design Playgrounds. Furnish and Install Two (2) 6' Picnic Tables, Two (2) garbage cans plus one (1) garbage can with one (1) recycled bin, Three (3) 6' Benches with backs. All manufactured 100% post consumer recycled plastic. All seating areas surrounded by compacted decomposed granite surface.

Sincerely,

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