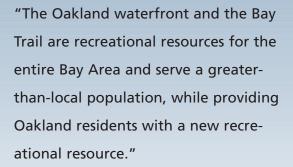


Tidewater Park Trail, Oakland, CA

LWCF Funding Assistance: \$183,000

Completing the Bay Trail in Oakland

Located near the Oakland International Airport and part of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Regional Shoreline, Tidewater Park is a significant shoreline access point and open space along the Alameda waterfront, featuring spectacular views of San Leandro Bay. Recent Land and Water Conservation Fund improvements include completion of about half a mile of the multi-use San Francisco Bay Trail, restrooms, 1.4 acres of turf with trees and irrigation and picnic areas.



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Tolay Lake Acquisition, Sonoma County, CA

LWCF Funding Assistance: \$202,980



Protecting Sonoma Baylands for a New Regional Park

The proposed Tolay Lake Regional Park, a project of Sonoma County, is an effort to provide hiking, horseback riding, birdwatching, picnicking and other recreation activities while protecting pristine farm and grasslands, critical habitat for threatened and endangered species, significant prehistoric and archaeological sites. In 2004, Land and Water Conservation Funds supported initial acquisition of 317 acres.

"County officials have learned through bitter experience that park sites are hard to find.... Which means the time is now. This rare opportunity needs to be embraced so that 10 years or 100 years from now, people will be able to stand on that ridge and be inspired by what they see."

Editorial, Santa Rosa Press Democrat 3/20/05





Visitacion Valley Greenway, San Francisco, CA

LWCF Funding Assistance: \$102,000

Heart of the Neighborhood, Soul of the Community

The Visitacion Valley Greenway is composed of a linear series of six publicly owned parcels, cutting a verdant swath through the heart of Visitacion Valley in San Francisco. Four of the six parcels have been developed including a native plant garden, children's play garden, various fruit and street trees, public art made by school children and community members, agricultural crops, herb gardens, and a Senior Pavilion.



"This community fought hard for a neighborhood park. The greenway has brought the diverse residents of San Francisco's Visitacion Valley community together to work on common goals of beautification, revitalization, and education."

Fran Martin, co-founder of Friends of Visitacion Valley Parks



