Land and Water Conservation Fund

National Park Service U.S. Department of the Interior

Family Sports Park, O'Fallon, IL

LWCF Funding Assistance: \$750,000

Using Every Inch of Greenspace

Land for a new sports complex in the City of O'Fallon, which will feature a full array of playing fields for baseball, softball, soccer, football, basketball and volleyball, was supported by LWCF acquisition funding in 2004. Slated for development in early 2006, the new 200-acre complex will also include picnic shelters, playgrounds and recreation support facilities. The acquisition more than doubled the land available for active recreation in this rapidly growing community near St. Louis.





"High-quality recreation facilities and open space are much in demand by O'Fallon residents. This summer we used every inch of greenspace to kick a soccer ball or put down rubber bases for our more than 200 "Mighty Ball" t-ball players, aged 3-5. The federal Land and Water Conservation Fund, combined with money from Illinois' Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development program, will help meet our rapidly growing community's demand for park land and recreation."

Mary Jeanne Hutchison Parks and Recreation Director City of O'Fallon