


CITY OF LOS ANGELES
INTERDEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

L.A. FOR KIDS STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING, August 29th, 2024
AGENDA ITEM #5
MEASURE A GRANT STATUS REPORT

DATE: August 29, 2024

TO: L.A. for Kids Steering Committee

FROM: Jimmy Kim, General Manager
Department of Recreation and Parks 

SUBJECT: Measure A Grant Status Update (August 2023 – July 2024)

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file the Measure A Grant Status Update covering the period from August 1, 2023 through July 31, 2024.

SUMMARY:

From the initial round of 15 Measure A Category 1 and 2 grants awarded in 2020 totaling \$7,704,900, all 15 projects (playground and fitness equipment replacements) are complete and open to the public. The Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) has completed administrative closeout of all 15 projects.

In September 2023, Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (RPOSD) announced Measure A Fiscal Year 2023-2024 formula-based annual allocations. The City of Los Angeles' received a total of \$21,970,483 for its 43 study areas. Furthermore, the City was allocated \$3,479,550 under RPOSD's Maintenance and Servicing Program.

In Fall 2023, RAP received 5 grant awards totaling \$7,326,700 for:

- 1) Devonwood Park Lighting Project (CD7) (\$385,000)
- 2) Mae Boyar Recreation Center Playground Replacement (CD12) (\$805,000)
- 3) North Hollywood Dog Park (CD2) (\$2,090,000)
- 4) O'Melveny Trail Improvements (CD12) (\$275,000)
- 5) 109th Street Recreation Center Improvement Projects (CD15) (\$3,771,700)

Since RAP's Measure A Status Update was presented to the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners on July 18, 2024, RAP has received an additional 4 grant awards totaling \$5,399,614 for the following projects:

- 1) Chatsworth Oaks Park Playground Replacement (CD12) (\$770,000)
- 2) Pacific Palisades (Temescal Canyon) Dog Park (CD11) (\$1,500,000)
- 3) Sixth Street Viaduct PARC (CD14) (\$1,809,614)
- 4) Strathern Park West Dog Park (CD2) (\$1,320,000)

Additionally, RAP submitted an application for the Sycamore Grove Park Master Plan (CD1) (\$1,100,000) and is preparing a grant application for the 11th Avenue Park Playground Replacement Project (CD8) (\$500,000).


ATTACHMENT:

RAP Measure A Status Update (July 18, 2024)

FOR INFORMATION ONLYCITY OF LOS ANGELES
Department of Recreation and Parks

July 18, 2024

TO: Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners

FROM: Jimmy Kim, General Manager 

SUBJECT: Measure A Status Update (August 2023 – June 2024)

MEASURE A - HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

In November 2016, 75% of Los Angeles County (County) voters approved the Los Angeles County Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks and Beaches Measure (Measure A). Funding through the Measure A grant program will be generated in perpetuity through the collection of a parcel tax, with an estimated total annual funding of \$96.8 million across the County. Measure A provides the City of Los Angeles (City) formula-based annual allocations for capital improvement projects under the Community-based Park Investment Program (Category 1) and Neighborhood Parks, Healthy Communities, & Urban Greening Program (Category 2) as well as additional annual allocations under the Maintenance and Servicing Program to offset Proposition A and Measure A funded capital projects. Furthermore, Measure A provides competitive grants for capital improvement projects under Natural Lands, Local Beaches, Water Conservation and Protection (Category 3) and Regional Recreation Facilities, Multi-use Trails and Accessibility (Category 4); as well as program grants under Recreational Access (Category 3 and 4) and Youth and Veteran Job Training and Placement (Category 5). When funding is available, Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (RPOSD) serving as the Measure A Grantor, may announce additional grant opportunities such as innovation grants under the Implementation, Operations and Oversight Category. In October 2018, City Council designated the L.A. For Kids Steering Committee (LAFKSC) as the administering entity for Measure A with RAP serving as the Grant Administrator (Council File 18-0611).

MEASURE A CATEGORY 1 AND 2 ANNUAL ALLOCATION PROGRAM

Measure A's Category 1 and 2 Annual Allocation Program is a formula-based grant program in which allocation funding is distributed to each of the City of Los Angeles' 43 Study Areas. Measure A's need-based approach establishes a per capita and structural improvement formula to determine the percentage of parcel tax revenues annually allocated to each study area. Whereas all Study Areas receive Category 1 annual allocations, only Study Areas with need categorized as "High" and "Very High" receive Category 2 annual allocations. Each Study Area has its respective allocation balance which increases as new allocations are received every September and decreases as grant awards/receipts are deducted. Funding allocated to each Study Area is intended to address the Study Area's park needs and to fund park projects within its defined geographic boundaries. In order for RAP to access funding allocated to a specific

Study Area, RAP would need to apply for and receive a grant award for a park project located in the respective Study Area. There is no sunset or expiration date for Category 1 and 2 funding. In accordance with Measure A guidelines, park agencies such as RAP may expend and/or accrue all or a portion of their total annual allocations per Study Area for park planning and design, feasibility studies, environmental planning and capital improvement projects. RAP continues to work with the Council Districts and Mayor’s Office in order to develop future grant applications to improve existing parks as well as develop new parks.

GRANT HIGHLIGHTS

<p>Closed out Grants</p>	<p>From the initial round of 15 Measure A Category 1 and 2 grants awarded in 2020 totaling \$7,704,900, all 15 projects (playground and fitness equipment replacements) are now complete and open to the public. The project sites were Alvarado Terrace Park, Angeles Mesa Park, Castle Peak Park, Del Rey Lagoon, Echo Park Recreation Center, Hollenbeck Park, Loren Miller Recreation Center, Palms Recreation Center, Parthenia Park, Queen Anne Recreation Center, Sycamore Grove Park, Valley Plaza Park, Venice Beach - Rose Ave site, Vineyard Recreation Center and Woodbridge Park.</p>
<p>FY 2023-24 RPOSD Annual Allocation (Category 1 and 2)</p>	<p>On September 15, 2023, RPOSD announced new Fiscal Year 2023-24 annual allocations for all Study Areas as well as the Maintenance and Servicing Program. See Attachment 1 and 2. FY 2024-25 Annual Allocations will be announced on September 15, 2024.</p>
<p>Pending Measure A Categories 1 and 2 Applications</p>	<p>The following applications have been submitted to RPOSD and are currently under review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strathern Park West Dog Park (\$1,320,000) Chatsworth Oaks Park Playground Replacement (\$770,000) Sixth Street Viaduct PARC (\$1,809,614) Pacific Palisades (Temescal Canyon) Dog Park (\$1,500,000) <p>Additionally, RAP is preparing to submit applications for the Sycamore Grove Park Master Plan in the amount of \$1,100,000 and the 11th Avenue Park Playground Replacement in the amount of \$500,000.</p>

Active Measure A Grants	RAP is presently implementing 12 awarded grants totaling \$13,805,995. See Attachment 3.
Maintenance and Servicing Reimbursement	On April 30, 2024, RAP submitted a reimbursement request of \$6,929,820 to offset maintenance and servicing expenses on completed RPOSD funded projects such as the aquatic centers at Exposition Park and Hansen Dam.
FY 2023 RPOSD Revised Grant Administrative Manual	In January 2024, RPOSD released its revised Grants Administration Manual (GAM) which provides policies and procedures for grant administration of Measure A funding.
Active Measure A Grants	RAP is presently implementing 12 awarded grants totaling \$13,805,995. See Attachment 3.
2024 Annual Allocation Survey	In June 2024, RAP submitted the latest Annual Allocation Survey to update RPOSD on RAP's use of accrued funding for all 43 study areas under Category 1 and 2. As part of this survey, RAP submitted possible park projects for each study area. As part of its policies, RPOSD will periodically survey agencies such as the City of LA RAP to provide updates on their use of accrued Measure A Category 1 and 2 funding.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Measure A Program Balances
2. Measure A Categories 1 and 2 Study Area Balances
3. Measure A Status of Active Grants

Measure A - Program Balances
(through 6/30/2024)

BALANCE OF CATEGORIES 1 & 2 ANNUAL ALLOCATIONS

MEASURE A	FY 2018-19 ALLOCATIONS	FY 2019-20 ALLOCATIONS	FY 2020-21 ALLOCATIONS	FY 2021-22 ALLOCATIONS	FY 2022-23 ALLOCATIONS	FY 2023-24 ALLOCATIONS	TOTAL ANNUAL ALLOCATIONS	GRANT AWARDS AND RECEIPTS RECEIVED	BALANCE*
Categories 1 & 2 (Capital Projects)	\$ 18,434,748	\$ 19,270,971	\$ 20,815,654	\$ 20,818,881	\$ 21,887,632	\$ 21,970,483	\$ 123,198,368	\$ 16,362,659	\$ 106,835,709

*Allocations are distributed among 43 Study Areas and stored in accounts controlled by LA County RPOSD. RAP must apply for and receive grant awards for park projects to access this funding subject to the approval of RPOSD.

BALANCE OF MAINTENANCE AND SERVICING PROGRAM

MEASURE A	FY 2018-19 ALLOCATIONS	FY 2019-20 ALLOCATIONS	FY 2020-21 ALLOCATIONS	FY 2021-22 ALLOCATIONS	FY 2022-23 ALLOCATIONS	FY 2023-24 ALLOCATIONS	TOTAL ANNUAL ALLOCATIONS	REIMBURSEMENT RECEIVED Inception through 7/2024	BALANCE
Maintenance and Servicing (M/S) Program	\$ 2,937,252	\$ 3,070,489	\$ 3,316,607	\$ 3,317,122	\$ 3,487,408	\$ 3,479,550	\$ 19,608,429	\$ 6,346,447	\$ 13,261,982

Measure A - Categories 1 and 2 Study Area Balances
(through 6/30/2024)

Study Area ID	Council District	Study Area Name City of LA - 43 Study Areas	Categories 1 & 2 Annual Allocation Received (FY 18-19 thru FY 23-24)	Grant Awards and Receipts Received	Study Area Balance
117	6, 7	Arleta-Pacoima	\$ 3,228,117.25		\$ 3,228,117.25
83	8, 10	Baldwin Hills-Leimert-Hyde Park	\$ 2,892,206.85	\$ 473,289.91	\$ 2,418,916.94
26	4, 5	Beverly Crest-Unin. Hollywood Hills	\$ 644,419.41		\$ 644,419.41
135	14	Boyle Heights	\$ 2,850,905.42	\$ 1,114,885.95	\$ 1,736,019.47
129	3, 11	Brentwood-Pacific Palisades	\$ 1,573,381.37		\$ 1,573,381.37
58	3, 12	Canoga Park-Winnetka	\$ 3,144,268.31		\$ 3,144,268.31
118	14	Central City	\$ 3,353,357.15		\$ 3,353,357.15
59	1, 14	Central City North	\$ 1,114,422.31		\$ 1,114,422.31
152	3, 12	Chatsworth-Porter Ranch-Unin. Northridge-Canoga Park-Oat Mt.	\$ 2,500,418.89	\$ 643,749.95	\$ 1,856,668.94
136	3, 4, 6	Encino-Tarzana	\$ 1,837,532.85		\$ 1,837,532.85
164	1, 8, 9, 10	Exposition Park-University Park-Vermont Square	\$ 5,433,436.42	\$ 523,733.36	\$ 4,909,703.06
73	12	Granada Hills-Knollwood	\$ 1,295,163.10	\$ 275,000.00	\$ 1,020,163.10
43	15	Harbor Gateway	\$ 1,672,119.47		\$ 1,672,119.47
103	4, 13	Hollywood, North	\$ 2,305,710.04		\$ 2,305,710.04
104	5, 13	Hollywood, South	\$ 3,768,469.32		\$ 3,768,469.32
130	6, 7, 12	Mission Hills-Panorama City-North Hills	\$ 4,787,787.11	\$ 385,000.00	\$ 4,402,787.11
94	2	North Hollywood-Valley Village	\$ 4,968,815.23	\$ 2,340,000.00	\$ 2,628,815.23
183	1, 4, 13, 14	Northeast LA, North	\$ 2,818,370.48	\$ 417,111.86	\$ 2,401,258.62
177	1, 14	Northeast Los Angeles, South	\$ 1,758,625.07		\$ 1,758,625.07
60	12	Northridge	\$ 2,548,549.58		\$ 2,548,549.58
105	5, 11	Palms- MarVista- Del Rey	\$ 4,056,088.67		\$ 4,056,088.67
95	3, 4, 6	Reseda-West Van Nuys	\$ 3,877,496.38		\$ 3,877,496.38
185	15	San Pedro-Port of LA-Unin. La Rambla	\$ 1,646,625.31		\$ 1,646,625.31
84	2, 4	Sherman Oaks-Studio City - Toluca	\$ 2,032,864.54	\$ 575,497.49	\$ 1,457,367.05
138	1, 13	Silver Lake-Echo Park-Elysian Valley	\$ 1,389,794.87	\$ 430,000.00	\$ 959,794.87
119	8, 9	South Los Angeles	\$ 3,422,952.56		\$ 3,422,952.56
163	8, 9, 15	Southeast Los Angeles	\$ 4,603,622.52	\$ 3,771,700.00	\$ 831,922.52
169	9	Southeast Los Angeles, North	\$ 4,387,812.68	\$ 990,000.00	\$ 3,397,812.68
120	2, 6, 7	Sun Valley-La Tuna Cyn.	\$ 3,259,399.85		\$ 3,259,399.85
139	7	Sunland-Tujunga-Lake View Terrace-Shadow Hills	\$ 1,259,560.30		\$ 1,259,560.30
96	7	Sylmar	\$ 1,555,896.94		\$ 1,555,896.94
61	2, 4, 6	Valley Glen-North Sherman Oaks	\$ 2,901,694.09		\$ 2,901,694.09
44	4, 6	Van Nuys-North Sherman Oaks	\$ 2,951,861.99		\$ 2,951,861.99
106	11	Venice	\$ 1,464,786.80	\$ 418,229.46	\$ 1,046,557.34
107	10	West Adams	\$ 3,170,119.92	\$ 480,000.00	\$ 2,690,119.92
146	3, 12	West Hills-Woodland Hills-Unin. Canoga Park-West Hills	\$ 2,284,642.90	\$ 1,352,990.00	\$ 931,652.90
85	5, 11	West Los Angeles	\$ 3,659,299.67	\$ 338,688.55	\$ 3,320,611.12
67	11	Westchester-Playa del Rey-Los Angeles Int'l Airport	\$ 2,682,320.91	\$ 443,100.56	\$ 2,239,220.35
147	1, 13	Westlake	\$ 3,720,528.10	\$ 980,900.00	\$ 2,739,628.10
45	5, 11	Westwood-Unin. Sawtelle Veterans Administration Center	\$ 2,094,797.05		\$ 2,094,797.05
121	15	Wilmington-Harbor City-Port of Los Angeles	\$ 1,488,548.99		\$ 1,488,548.99
68	1, 10, 13	Wilshire-Koreatown	\$ 5,635,791.07		\$ 5,635,791.07
108	5, 10, 13	Wilshire, West	\$ 5,155,786.52	\$ 408,782.14	\$ 4,747,004.38
TOTAL			\$ 123,198,368.26	\$ 16,362,659.23	\$ 106,835,709.03

Active Measure A Capital Grants (Cat 1 and 2)
(through 6/30/2024)

Park Projects	CD	Proposed Project Scope	Study Area ID	Study Area Name	High and/or Very High Needs Study Area	Project Status	Measure A Grant Award - Committed Funds	Grant Type
109th Street Recreation Center	15	1. Resurface the outdoor basketball court 2. Upgrade the baseball field including infield work, batting cage upgrade, backstop, storage boxes, drinking fountain, scoreboard upgrade, seating bleachers, dugouts, shade 3. Install new walking trail 4. Upgrade ballfield lights 5. Resurface outdoor courtyard 6. Install fitness equipment	163	Southeast Los Angeles	Yes	Pre-Construction	\$3,771,700	Annual Allocation
Devonwood Park	7	Installation of new park lighting with Light Emitting Diode (LED) light fixtures; installation of security cameras; installation of related electrical infrastructure.	130	Mission Hills - Panorama City - North Hills	Yes	Pre-Construction	\$385,000	Annual Allocation
Hope and Peace Park	1	Demolition of existing play area. Installation of new play area and safety surfacing; Site landscaping and trash receptacle, bench, table, and hydration station. Park pathway and path of travel improvements.	147	Westlake	Yes	Pre-Construction	\$440,000	Annual Allocation
Mae Boyar Recreation Center	12	Demolition of the existing play area. Installation of a new play area. Safety surfacing. Site landscaping. Irrigation. Hydration station. Path of Travel Improvements. Trash receptacle. Table. Bench.	146	West Hills - Woodland Hills - UI Canoga Park - West Hills	No	Pre-Construction	\$805,000	Annual Allocation
North Hollywood Park	2	Create a new off leash dog park with two areas (big dogs and small dogs) at the south end of the park, including new fencing, path of travel (concrete path), lighting, landscaping, and irrigation; synthetic surfacing; hydration stations; tables; and shade structures.	94	North Hollywood - Valley Village	Yes	Pre-Construction	\$2,090,000	Annual Allocation
O'Melveny Park	12	Trail improvements (New Decomposed Granite Path), including installation of park signage, trail markers, information kiosks, interpretative signage, and landscaping.	73	Granada Hills - Knollwood	No	Pre-Construction	\$275,000	Annual Allocation
South Park Recreation Center	9	Demolition of the existing exterior restrooms, located near the bandshell; construction of 5 stall single occupancy restrooms; drinking fountains, exterior lavatories and janitor's closet.	169	Southeast Los Angeles, North	Yes	Pre-Construction	\$990,000	Annual Allocation
State Street Recreation Center	14	Demolition of the existing play area. Installation of the new play area and safety surfacing; site landscaping and amenities (trash receptacle, bench, table, and hydration station), park pathway and path of travel improvements.	135	Boyle Heights	Yes	Pre-Construction	\$935,000	Annual Allocation

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Griffith Park (Riverside Drive) Multi-Use Trail	4	Create three new pathways, two 6-foot-wide pedestrian paths and one 10-foot-wide multi-use path. Install new interpretative/information signs, wayfinding signage with universal symbols, trailhead improvements, and new park entrance points from Riverside drive, Griffith/Riverside Recreation center and at Sunnynook Bridge. ADA parking spaces in the west and south parking lots. New landscaping along the trails includes drought tolerant plants and native trees and plants. New pathways will utilize permeable materials. New bike trails to use materials that naturally reflect sunlight. Replace existing fencing along the pathway.	103	Hollywood - North	No	Pre-Construction	\$920,000	Competitive
Venice Pier Phase II Improvements	11	The project will repair deck soffits and pile caps between deck panel 104 near pier 51 and Central Terminal. Repair the piles between Pile 52 and Pile 65. Repair piles and pile cap beams in the Central Terminal. Repair Top Deck Delamination from Expansion joint 2 to the Central Terminal. Complete all above-deck repairs and any additional work related to the Venice Pier Phase II Improvements Project.	106	Venice	Yes	Pre-Construction	\$1,000,000	Competitive
Strathern Park West Acquisition	2	Acquire property owned by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) that runs along the Route 170 Freeway to expand City of Los Angeles park property known as Strathern Park West	120	Sun Valley - La Tuna Canyon	Yes	Pre-Acquisition	\$1,000,000	Technical Assistance Program
City Pathways for Youth Program	N/A	City Pathways for Youth program (Internship/Training Program at various sites)	multiple	multiple	Various	In progress	\$1,194,295	Competitive (Service Grant)
Total							\$13,805,995	