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Date: November 28, 2023

To: APRC Board of Commissioners and Interim Director Eldridge

From: Mike Gardiner - Ashland Parks Foundation/President

Re: Annual update from APF Board of Directors

The Ashland Parks Foundation sends its greetings to the Commissioners, Director Eldridge and the entire staff of APRC. I am attending your business meeting tonight to update you on the activities that the Ashland Parks Foundation has undertaken this past year and to answer any questions that you might have regarding the projects that we are currently supporting.

First let me state that we look forward to working with the APRC staff and the Parks Commission this coming year in our continuing effort to promote a healthy parks system and support recreational programming and park facilities wherever possible.

2023 has been a busy year for the foundation as we continue to fund projects and undertake additional fundraising roles in the community. Here is a short list of projects that we are currently supporting:

- Funding for the completion of the **Ashland Japanese Garden**. Collection of donations and exploring additional ideas for sponsoring events and raising funds for on-going maintenance.
- Sponsoring a fundraising “restricted” fund for public artwork being designed and created by **Micah Blacklight**. APF has granted \$16k towards this project’s total estimated cost of \$160k.
- Supporting the efforts of the **Ashland Oregon PickleBall Club** by creating a Donate page on the APF website to help secure funds from donors for future pickleball improvements within Ashland.
- Kicked-off an \$800k fundraising campaign this past July 4th to support the **Restoration of the Butler-Perozzi Fountain** in Lithia Park. The APF board created and funded a community member volunteer steering committee to guide this campaign. We are pleased to announce that we are well on our way to raising $\frac{3}{4}$ of our goal as we approach the last month of 2023.

Many more private donations pass through the Ashland Parks Foundation on their way to numerous APRC projects.

Thank you for your time and I would be glad to answer any additional questions at this time.



Butler-Perozzi Fountain

RESTORATION

Campaign Goal: \$800,000

Committed to date: \$559,477 (70%) as of 11/20/23

■ = Committed Gift □ = Gift Needed

<u>Gifts/Pledges</u>	<u>\$ Amount</u>	<u># of Gifts</u>	<u>\$ Raised</u>	<u>Needed</u>	<u>Total</u>
■ ■	\$200,000	2	\$400,000		\$400,000
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Less than \$1,000		171	\$23,477	\$26,523	\$50,000
Total		198	\$559,477	\$240,523	\$800,000

Totals include pledges of \$10,000 and a \$25,000 grant receivable