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Partners for Parks campaign TOPS \$2 MILLION in Community Support

Individuals, foundations, organizations, and business are making it happen!

LAKEWOOD — May 22, 2024 — Partners for Parks is pleased to announce they have received a \$350,000 capital grant from the Norcliffe Foundation. Partners for Parks is deeply grateful for this extraordinary grant and vote of confidence taking fundraising for the H-Barn Project at Fort Steilacoom Park to more than \$2 million in gifts and multi-year pledges. Partners for Parks is leading the *private-sector effort* to raise \$3.5 million toward H-Barn project costs of \$7.5 million, which will in turn make possible an additional \$4 million in *public sector investments* from the City of Lakewood.

This project aligns with the Norcliffe Foundation's mission to *improve the quality of life for all people in our community*, with priorities for projects that create civic engagement and community projects like the H-Barn Project.

Partners for Parks seeks to enhance public spaces and improve the quality of life for Lakewood residents and our regional community by assisting in the improvement of parks and open spaces. Previous projects have included funding and volunteer support of new restrooms, playgrounds, sport fields, trail heads, paved walking and jogging trails, natural area clean ups and other important site amenities which have broadly supported our community including low-income and underserved areas.

To learn more about the H-Barn restoration project, attend future events, consider an investment in this exciting community project or get more involved, please visit <https://partnersforparks.net/>.

About Partners for Parks

Strong partnerships are the foundation of Partners for Parks, a passionate group of volunteers who believe in service and giving back to the community. Its members are represented by Lakewood area service organizations, local governments, community groups, educational institutions, military branches and area businesses. Partners for Parks has collaborated with the community and the City of Lakewood on many park improvements and their ongoing work helps the city achieve their mission of creating a healthy and vibrant community.