



# Welcome to your backyard!

1000s of acres. Miles of trails. *It all belongs to you.*



## *Come. See. Rejuvenate.*

The overlook at Cedar Cliff Falls, Indian Mound Reserve, Cedarville. One of many improvements made possible through your support.

### HERE'S JUST A SAMPLING OF WHAT WE ACCOMPLISHED IN 2023

#### **Caesar Ford Park**

Campground to open late spring 2024  
New Jasper Station Rd. parking lot with horse ties and covered picnic tables  
New entrance signs at park and campground  
Shelter floor concrete repairs

#### **Indian Mound Reserve**

Added electric to north side of falls and added additional lights  
New entrance signs

#### **Hobson Freedom Park**

Well for dog park  
Corrected drainage at east end of park  
Traffic controlled cross walk on Trebein Rd. with bridge/walkway connecting to asphalt path ADA  
New entrance sign

#### **Fairgrounds Recreation Center**

Paved roadways, shelter parking lot, multi-use trail in park  
Restriped Alameda parking lot  
New entrance signs

#### **Phillips Park**

*New entrance sign*

#### **Pierce Park**

New entrance signs (park and Scout Dog Park)

#### **Narrows Reserve**

New entrance sign  
Corrected drainage along entrance road  
Upgraded trail access by front gate with culvert pipe and raised the grade  
Replaced 8-foot bridge on trails

#### **Sara Lee Arnovitz Preserve**

New entrance sign  
Paved asphalt path from parking lot to boardwalk and bridge

#### **Frank Seaman Park**

Ball diamond outfield fencing on fields 1 and 4  
New entrance sign  
Paint pickle ball lines on tennis courts  
Added infield mix to all seven ball diamonds

#### **Russ Nature Reserve**

Paved roadway and parking lot  
New entrance signs  
Additional trees planted

#### **Pearl's Fen**

New entrance sign

#### **Koogler Wetland Prairie Reserve**

Multiple Scout projects were completed consisting of trail upgrades (gravel and close to 200' new boardwalk)

#### **James Ranch Park**

New entrance sign  
Replaced fencing around garden  
Returned the natural spring to its original location

#### **Twin Towers Park**

Repaired electric to horse stalls and parking lot  
Repairs to horse stalls and stain  
New fence on show ring and dressage ring  
Rebuilt dressage judges stand and fencing  
Entrance sign coming 2024

#### **Clifton Reserve and Lodge**

New entrance sign

#### **Spring Lakes Park**

Nature Center with animals  
Repairs to rear pond  
New walking path/bank stabilization on north west side of front lake  
Entrance sign coming 2024

#### **Jacoby Road Canoe Launch**

New entrance sign

#### **Hebble Creek Reserve**

First dedicated parking lot since park opened  
Entrance sign coming early 2024

#### **Constitution Park**

Improved river access from parking lot  
Entrance sign coming early 2024

#### **Old Town Reserve**

New entrance sign  
Paved parking lot

#### **McCalmont Reserve**

Installed driveway and parking lot  
Grand Opening in 2024

#### **Crooked Creek Reserve**

Graveled driveway and parking  
Rehab footbridge  
New roof on cabin

#### **Bike Trails**

Pavement and berm work on 1 mile of path from Jackson Rd. back towards Yellow Springs  
Ditch clean out in same area  
Replaced over 100' of wood fencing in Yellow Springs near Fairfield-YS Rd.  
Rebuilt side rails on composite bridge in Xenia  
Replaced over 400' fencing east 35 tunnel  
Drain ditch maintenance/erosion control  
Repaired/poured new concrete approaches to East Rosemore bridge  
Crack filling/root pop repairs  
Seal coated the Creekside Trail

# SOME OF OUR PREVIOUS ACCOMPLISHMENTS...



**Spring Lakes Park**



**Hobson Freedom Park**



**Karoil Park**

## Caesar Ford Park

- New bridge to improve access to the New Jasper Station side of park
- Paved all roadways in park
- Added new underground electric service and pedestals to support event/programs and the Holiday Lights program
- New storage barn
- New park map signage
- Parking lot off of New Jasper Station Rd.
- Began development of camp area
- Prairie Restoration projects
- New paving placed on the road system
- New PA system
- Green Room renovations, AC/heat, flooring
- Drainage corrected and electric added
- Shelter rehab
- Building upgrades (roof, metal siding, gutters, lighting, doors)
- Amphitheater (re-installed chairs)
- New roadway to amphitheater
- Restrooms functional – rehab
- Gift shop revamped into meeting/assembly room
- Rehabbed bridge across creek
- Three bridges on multi-purpose trails
- Stone added to parking lot
- Added an 18-hole disc golf course
- New disc golf course in process
- Fencing
- Removed earthen mounds/drainage work
- 10 miles of multi-use trails
- Class A campground feasibility study in process
- Major electrical upgrade
- New concrete work
- New asphalt work
- New picnic tables
- Demo of amphitheater light tower structure
- Demo of deteriorated stage features, buildings, and structures due to lack of maintenance
- Demo of deteriorated house and barn

## Indian Mound Reserve

- Lights to illuminate the water falls
- CXT restroom by Williamson Lane parking lot
- Lights and electric at the shelter by Cedar Cliff Falls parking lot
- Prairie Restoration projects
- Seal coated and striped parking lot
- New bridge 90' across gorge near falls
- Two new overlooks at falls
- Trail rehab 1500 – 2000 feet
- Five covered picnic tables
- Finished Williamson Mound cabin rehab with addition of ADA deck
- Added bridge between Peterson Park and Williamson Mound for new trail
- Rehabbed bridge at Peterson Park
- Steps to top of mound
- Two bridges near mound that lead to lower gorge trail
- Demo of old bathrooms and storage structures at Peterson Park
- Chip sealed Williamson Mound parking lot
- Stained gazebo, pump house
- Painted kiosk
- CXT restroom unit added at the falls
- Seal coat parking lot at falls
- Added additional concrete walkway for ADA access near falls
- New trail addition from Peterson Park to Williamson Mound lot
- Signature fencing
- Upgraded trail signage
- Underbrush cutting at falls to open view shed
- Developed new access to the overlook
- Interpretive signage installed
- New roof on shelter at Falls lot

## Hobson Freedom Park

- Cricket field
- Prairie planting with walking trails
- Pedestrian crossing on Trebien Rd.
- Playground, roadway, and parking
- New flush restroom, electric service, extended water/sewer
- New full-size basketball court
- New paving
- Fitness equipment near playground, 200m fitness track with work out stations

## Fairgrounds Recreation Center

- Crushed Limestone walking path from the rear of the park to the shelter area
- Paved roadways
- Removed Faulkner house and cleared property for public access from Detroit St.
- Cleaned and renovated old pool house for storage
- New tennis court surfacing
- Two new sets of basketball goals/backboards, new court surface
- Shelter rehab completed
- Purchased 12 acres at back of park, cleared for future use
- New playground installation
- Crack filling parking lots and bike trail through park

## Narrows Reserve

- CXT restroom
- Foot bridge restoration on trails
- Extensive staircase for safe travel on upper trail
- New paving
- Trail Rehab – approx. 5000 feet
- Removed annex house
- New canoe launch
- New raptor cages/house
- New trail signage

## James Ranch Park

- New storage shed for volunteer operations
- Concrete work on porch
- Crack fill parking lot and restripe parking lines

# ...THANKS TO YOUR SUPPORT!



Caesar Ford Park



Russ Nature Reserve

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- Bird viewing blind/area
- Storage shed for volunteer operations
- Tree restoration program
- New shelter house
- Prairie restoration projects
- First stand-alone flushable restroom in park system
- Removed old house and barn
- Over \$200,000 in plans/designs for a building later devastated by the tornado
- \$500,000 in water and sewer upgrades
- Upgraded trail signage

## Pearl's Fen

- Installed signature fencing on board of new 7.5 acres near Waterford Landing
- Covered picnic tables
- Parking lot expansion
- Received 7.5 acres of adjacent property from BWGreenways
- Prairie Restoration projects
- Purchased adjacent property for access to the fen with addition of new parking lot
- Approved to acquire additional properties
- Boardwalk and hiking trail

## Spring Lakes Park

- New footbridge to increase access to rear pond and front lake
- Rehab pole barn with metal siding and roof
- New control structure and fishing deck
- Replaced bridge at the entrance
- Installed AC/heat for new Nature Center
- Crack fill parking lot

## Koogler Wetland Prairie Reserve

- Boardwalk upgrades
- Purchased 18-acre addition with Clean Ohio Grant
- Prairie Restoration projects
- New paving

## Karohl Park

- New farm-themed playground and shelter house

## Clifton Reserve and Lodge

- New paving
- New gravel and grading
- New deck and French doors
- New landscaping, exterior lighting, electrical outlets
- New kitchenette and counters
- New interior lighting and paint
- New floor-to-ceiling limestone fireplace
- New banquet tables and chairs
- Updated bathrooms

## Frank Seaman Park

- Paved drive and parking lot near shelter
- Two new storage buildings for the use of Jamestown youth sports programs
- Added pickleball lines to tennis courts
- New playground
- New backstops for ball fields
- Two drinking fountains
- Ball field drainage
- Chip sealed parking lot
- New tennis court surfacing
- Outfield fence
- Stained gazebo
- New concession stand serving windows

## Twin Towers Park

- New roof on shelter
- Planted area for pollinators
- New paving

## Phillips Park

- Rehab and stained barn
- Spotted Turtle Trail wayfinding and interpretive signage
- Trail improvements
- New bridge and observation deck
- New paving

## Pierce Park

- New playground and updated shelter house
- Cleared invasive species and opened sight lines
- Crack fill parking lot

## Sara Lee Arnovitz Preserve

- New boardwalk
- Staircase on trail across the creek
- Four bridges to reopen trails

## Jacoby Road Canoe Launch

- Opened up an additional 17 acres for increased river access and enjoyment
- New paving
- New gravel and grading to parking lot

## Cemex Reserve

- Rehab the parking lot
- Two covered picnic tables
- Installed beaver baffles
- Re-established trails with new bridges

## McCalmont Reserve

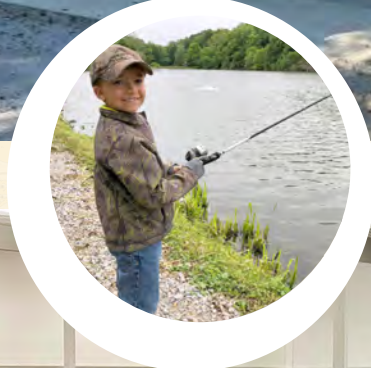
- Prairie Restoration projects

## Bike Trails

- Resurfaced the Ohio Erie Trail
- Rehab several bridge railings
- Repaired root pops and bad pavement
- Paving of Creekside Trail from Xenia to Alpha Rd.
- Ditch and tile work (water management)
- Brush and debris removal
- New deck on Bob Evans spur bridge
- Resurfaced Xenia-Jamestown Connector Spur from Frank Seaman Park to 72
- Crack filling on Ohio-to-Erie Trail

## Acquisition of properties from Beaver Creek Township

- Phillips Park
- McCalmont
- Pershing property
- Koogler Wetland Prairie Reserve



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