Friends of the Parks PO Box 2753 Shelby, NC 28151



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Dear Friend,

The Friends of the Parks Golf Tournament will be held on Saturday, September 17, 2022, at Royster Memorial Golf Course, Shelby City Park. It's a fun morning of golf and fellowship supporting Shelby City Parks programs, properties and participants. Golfers and supporters are invited to lunch on tournament day 11:15-1:15.

There are 3 ways to support Friends of the Parks:

- 1. Become a supporter at any giving level; see enclosed brochure for more information.
- 2. Play in the tournament; call Katie Thackerson Turner at the course (704) 484-6823.
- 3. Honor or remember someone with a donation to Friends anytime throughout the year.

There are always a variety of needs for the Parks' many programs and properties -- from play-grounds to sports equipment to beautification projects and more. Most recently Friends supported the City Parks Toy Drive, purchased a new tennis backboard, assisted with golf cart purchase and sponsored Christmas parties.

Friends of the Parks is focused on support for the following:

- 1) City Park Programs and Youth sports Thousands of people Play at the Park every year. The Parks continue to see increases in all areas of programming, including traditional recreation and sports programs, as well as other leisure activities for people of all ages.
- 2) 5th Grader Carousel Christmas Our 5th Graders' party includes all city schools. During COVID-19, adjustments were made, but we hope to continue this year with carousel and train rides, storytime, visits with Santa, lunch and treat bags to take home. We encourage volunteers to help!
- 3) Enhancements to Parks properties As unexpected or planned needs arise, Friends will step in to help. Shelby Parks have expanded greatly in the last few years with the addition of Hanna Park, and soon to be developed Depot Park in Uptown, along with the "Harmony" Rail Trail. The City of Shelby has extraordinary park facilities used by hundreds of thousands of patrons annually requiring constant repair and renovation to provide the very best to our citizens and visitors.

By sponsoring at any giving level, you will be a major contributor to the success of Friends' ability to support the Parks. Return the enclosed brochure with your check to Shelby Friends of the Parks, PO Box 2753, Shelby, NC 28151, by September 1st and we will put you on our banner list of Friends.

Thank you! Shelby Friends of the Parks Board of Directors

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