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Your Parks are Here for You!

Dear Park Friend:

You are not alone in grappling with the uncertainty presented by the current COVID-19 health challenge and its far-reaching effect on our everyday lives. **We, at the Fairfax County Park Foundation, join you** in interpreting the Governor's orders and CDC guidelines to help "flatten the curve". **Resilience will enable us to weather this storm together to emerge stronger than ever.**

During this challenging time, we learned that **Fairfax County parks have never been so vital to the physical and mental health of residents in our community.**

Are you one of many who enjoy the tranquility of nature by walking, biking and hiking along Fairfax County Park Authority's 330 miles of trails? Park amenities, including public garden plots, Farmers Markets, and others will reopen in phases. We thank you for observing "social-distancing" precautions as you enjoy the parks!

Critical revenue that parks depend upon is dramatically reduced until park facilities and programs can safely reopen. **Your gift to the Park Foundation today will help ensure that parks are ready for you, your family and friends.** The Park Authority staff continues to perform essential work such as:

- ☀ **Care and feeding of animals** at Frying Pan Farm Park and Nature Centers;
- ☀ **Aeration of FCPA Golf Course greens and fairways** avoiding non-use later in the season;
- ☀ **Clearing litter and branches along popular trails** to offer safe use;
- ☀ **Maintenance of RECenter pools** that normally requires closures;
- ☀ **Cleaning of Fairfax County Park Authority facilities** for safety; and
- ☀ **Connecting you now through the FCPA Virtual Exploration Center** for fitness, nature and history.

As parks reopen, we will be here for you – ready to provide the services and programs that our neighbors need and want. **Waterfront Parks, educational camps, Nature Centers, RECenters, Historic Sites, Golf Courses, classes and community events will be filled with thousands of joyful people.** It is important that we are ready for park users to once again enjoy all the amenities that our Gold Medal award-winning parks offer to our residents and visitors.

We hope you will be here for us now by donating to help the Fairfax County parks you know and love! Please make a gift of \$1,000, \$500, \$250, \$100 or \$50 or whatever you can afford.

Together with gratitude, strength and hope we will move forward and persevere. **Please support your Fairfax County parks so they will be ready to serve you. Above all, stay safe!**

Sincerely,

John E. Osborn
Chair, Board of Directors

Roberta A. Longworth, CFRE
Executive Director

P.S. Your donation will provide meaningful help for your parks. Your tax advisor can confirm benefits allowed via the CARES Act for a new \$300 above-the-line charitable deduction for those who file a standard deduction; and up to 100% of Adjusted Gross Income if you itemize!

☐ **Yes, I want to help our parks!** Donate online at www.fairfaxparkfoundation.org or mail your gift with this form to: 12055 Government Center Pkwy, #404, Fairfax, VA 22035-5508



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