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PICKING up STEAM to Help Heal our Planet!

Dear Park Friend:

Last year, we introduced the **Sully Woodlands Stewardship Education Center (SW SEC)**, an innovative international model of sustainability to be constructed in Fairfax County Park Authority's Ellanor C. Lawrence Park. Now we are excited to announce that the groundbreaking will be scheduled later this year!

As one of a few Living Building Challenge structures in Virginia and only 30 in the world, this state-of-the-art interpretive center will be built with recycled materials to be wholly sustainable, and pollution-free. **Using renewable energy, the Center will be a resource where all members of the community can learn about nature, the environment and preservation to benefit generations to come.** Our original fundraising focus included the thermal mass fireplace and amphitheater which have been incorporated in the FCPA building budget.



The Park Foundation's fundraising efforts are now focused on the **STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) features in the educational Learning Observational Outdoor Pod (The LOOP).** Many thanks to generous donors like you who have already contributed more than \$75,000 toward our goal of \$180,000. A variety of unique interactive components are not yet funded.

The educational and recreational features in need of support include the antique mill stone, Archimedes screw, crazy maze, tenor tree, a musical flower, playground water fall table and basin, hollow climbing log, rock scramble, benches, bicycle repair station and an e-bike charging station.

Your donation of \$1,000, \$500, \$250, \$100, \$50 or whatever you can give will help include these important features to complete STEAM components of the SW SEC!

The STEAM features will be educational and fun to inspire even the youngest visitors to care for nature. **The fully accessible Center will educate people of all ages about the tenets of environmental responsibility and teach practical applications that help heal our planet.**

We encourage you to visit www.FairfaxParkFoundation.org to learn more about the innovative Sully Woodlands Stewardship Education Center. Your donation will help fund the STEAM Learning Pod elements that are a critical part of the SW SEC at a time when actions will impact the environment for future generations. **GIVE today and HELP your natural world tomorrow!**

Thank you for your continued support of your 429 Fairfax County award-winning parks.
Sincerely,

Michael Gailliot, Chair
Board of Directors

Roberta A. Longworth, CFRE
Executive Director

P.S. Names of supporters giving \$1,000 or more will be recognized on a donor plaque that will be prominently displayed at the Sully Woodlands Stewardship Education Center.

☐ **Yes! I will become a Park Steward!** 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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