



City Parks Foundation is dedicated to invigorating and transforming parks into dynamic, vibrant centers of urban life through sports, arts, community development, and education programs for all New Yorkers.

We work jointly with NYC Parks to manage the **Citywide Parks Network**, a massive web of community engagement leaders, grassroots groups, and nonprofits working collectively to achieve a shared vision of a vibrant and equitable parks system. Comprised of Partnerships for Parks, the NYC Parks & Open Space Partners coalition, and the NYC Green Fund, together these efforts highlight the critical role that community engagement plays in parks, ensuring they are inclusive, foster social cohesion, and reflect neighborhood interests, while also facilitating discussions that will lead to process improvements for park partner groups.

### CITYWIDE PARKS NETWORK



FEEDBACK

IMPROVEMENTS

PARTNERSHIPS  
for PARKS

#### Partnerships for Parks (PfP)

Public-private partnership between NYC Parks and City Parks Foundation, which supports and champions a network of 28,000+ community engagement leaders - including ~420 grassroots groups - through intensive outreach, coaching, training workshops, and fiscal sponsorship.

Annual Budget: \$5M (Parks + CPF)

#### NYC GREEN FUND

**NYC Green Fund:** Pooled fund that re-grants, bringing private support to the most under-resourced communities, funding new group development / capacity building, community engagement, youth development, and programming.

Annual Budget: \$2.75M (CPF)



**NYC Parks & Open Space Partners coalition:** Newly formed alliance that organizes, elevates, and sustains the 50 nonprofit park stewardship/programming groups and conservancies, which add \$284 million in privately raised funding annually.

Annual Budget: \$275k (CPF)

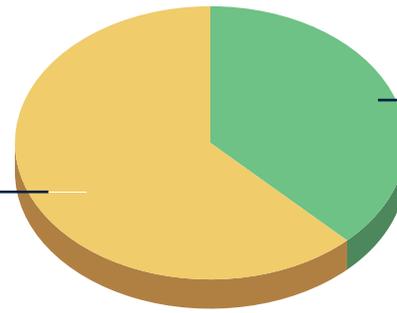
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**It's My Park**, our signature volunteer program, engages tens of thousands of New Yorker's looking to become involved in their community each year in hands-on park beautification projects. It is both a resource for community partners and a service for nonprofit and corporate groups to revitalize local green spaces through cleaning, painting, and gardening.



The Campaign for the **NYC Green Fund**, launched in 2024, aims to raise and redistribute **\$30 million** over five years for re-granting, coalition building work, targeted outreach and related technical assistance outreach.

**\$19 million**  
Raised to date



**\$14 million**  
Distributed in grants

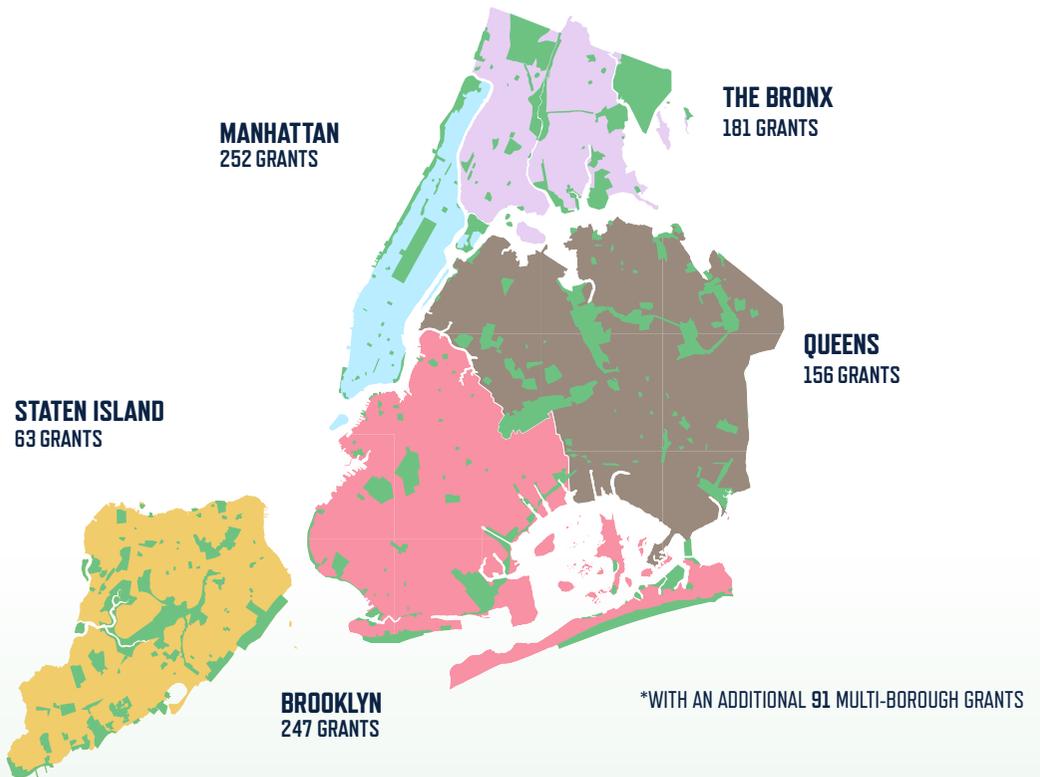
The **NYC Green Fund** is the only city-wide private funding mechanism that is dedicated specifically to NYC’s parks and open spaces with a focus on breaking down barriers and championing equity. Initially started in 2020 as emergency relief during COVID, funding now supports free programming and activations of green space through: volunteer and non-profit-planned stewardship, environmental action, organizational development, youth development, health & wellness, arts and culture programming, and urban forestry projects.

Our grant programs include pre-application consultations and training, easy-to-complete applications, and multi-year support in three categories:

- **Grassroots Grants:** up to \$40K/year for groups with annual budgets between \$0-\$175K;
- **Treetops Grants:** up to \$50K/year for nonprofits with annual budgets of \$175K-\$2.5M;
- **Pathways Grants:** up to \$150K/year towards projects to support innovation, systemic change, and coalition building.

A pooled fund, the **NYC Green Fund** encourages supporters to be involved in the grant decision-making process, which prioritizes equity by focusing on communities affected by environmental injustice.

**NYC GREEN FUND**  
**\$14.7 MILLION IN GRANTS**  
**2020-2025**



Interested in contributing to the NYC Green Fund? Please contact Sam Brown Beatty at [sbrownbeatty@cityparksfoundation.org](mailto:sbrownbeatty@cityparksfoundation.org) or visit [cityparksfoundation.org/nycgreenfund](http://cityparksfoundation.org/nycgreenfund)

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