

**Crozet Neighborhood Improvement Funding Initiative (NIFI)  
Project Description**

- Project Name:** Outdoor Exercise Stations or “Par Course” along Perimeter Trail
- Location:** Claudius Crozet Park
- Description:** Purchase and install four separate multipurpose outdoor exercise stations located along the .85-mile paved perimeter trail located at Claudius Crozet Park in response to community requests for fun and affordable exercise options. Each exercise station supports between 4-5 different exercises. Fitness stations are weather proof, stationary and are permanently mounted with concrete pads. Equipment would be green to match existing Park amenities. Benches would also be purchased and installed along side fitness equipment.
- Cost Estimate:** Four Multi-purpose Exercise Stations and Benches: \$23,000
- Timing/Schedule:** Summer 2017
- Project Readiness:** In November 2016, the Crozet Park Board of Directors began planning for the installation of a par course along the perimeter trail. After reviewing several outdoor fitness equipment vendors we began working with Pacific Outdoor Products, Inc. (POP) located in Washington State. We chose this vendor based on the quality of their products and the versatility with which we could design four very distinct exercise stations. Equipment warranties span 25 years. We have equipment quotes in hand and volunteers ready to install equipment this summer. Crozet Park will coordinate the installation of all equipment, e.g., pour and prepare concrete pads and/or footings. Quotes are in hand and we are ready to make this purchase from Pacific Outdoor Products. As an incentive, this vendor has agreed to offer significantly discounted shipping charges.
- Justification:** Claudius Crozet Park is the recreational hub of Crozet and the newly built .85-mile perimeter serves as the epicenter for the Crozet Connector Trail and Greenway Network. In 2014, the Park Board conducted a community-wide survey to solicit capital improvement ideas for the Park. From that survey, there were two very important findings. First, people wish to use the Park without being tied to an organized sport, e.g. baseball. Second, installing a multipurpose, paved perimeter trail was the single most important amenity desired by the community. And, community members began using the trail during its construction when only partial gravel segments were in place. Used by walkers, runners, skateboarders, and cyclists, the now completed perimeter trail serves a greater diversity of uses and users than any other amenity at the Park. To capitalize on this investment we will continue to “layer” the trail with other value-adds requested by the community. These include a par course, “pocket” seating areas and landscaping.