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Parks and Recreation receives AARP Livable Communities Grant

Missoula Parks and Recreation is excited to announce it is one of the 129 grantees to receive funds through AARP Livable Communities Community Challenge grant program. Awardees across the country received grants to fund innovative projects to inspire change and make counties, cities, towns and rural areas better places to live for residents of all ages. Parks and Recreation has received a \$10,000 award to expand Missoula's Prescription Trails Program, also known as Rx Trails.

Missoula's prescription trails are part of a national movement designed to support healthy, active lifestyles by identifying short, safe and accessible walking routes and encouraging healthcare professionals to write prescriptions for park and trail use. Walking programs contribute to the treatment and prevention of a number of chronic conditions such as diabetes, depression and high blood pressure. Missoula's Rx Trails include 1-mile routes at McCormick Park and Fort Missoula Regional Park.

For maps of Missoula's Rx Trails, visit www.missoulaparks.org, and learn more about the statewide Rx Trails program at Bike Walk Montana's [website](#).

To find out more about the Community Challenge and see the full list of winners, please visit aarp.org/CommunityChallenge. To learn more about how AARP is working to make communities across Montana and across the U.S. more livable for all, visit aarp.org/livable.

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