

**Little
Hummingbird
Society**



**Fall
2018**

WELCOME!

Your gift each month is helping Austin Parks Foundation build a community and improve Austin's parks, trails and green spaces! Together we will have some fun and learn about living a healthy lifestyle, the importance of giving back and speaking up for the parks we love.

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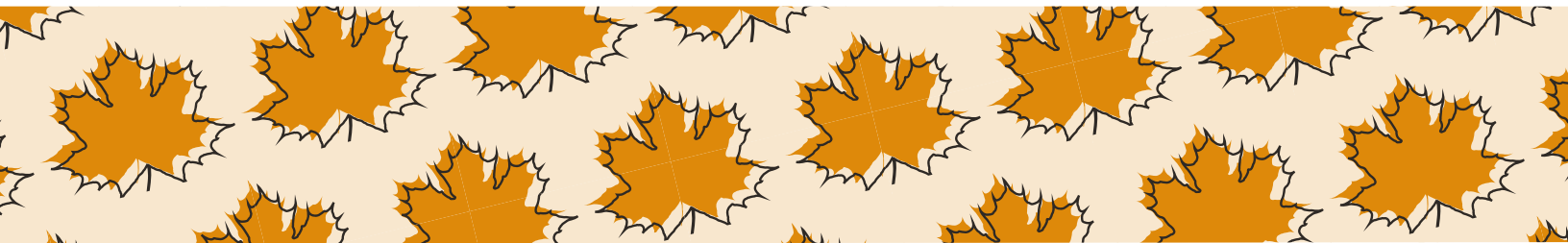
Parks Passport

ABOUT APF

Austin Parks Foundation supports parks of all sizes and in every area of Austin. We host volunteer days, and free Movies in the Park. We help neighborhoods improve and fund their parks, and we help Austinites find ways to get involved in the future of our parks.

**As a member of Little Hummingbird Society
you'll get the following perks:**

- New activity packets, like this one, every few months
 - Fun freebies like stickers, pencils and more
 - Special volunteer events just for LHS members



ADVOCACY

ad·vo·ca·cy | *noun* | public support for a cause

At APF we want all of our friends to become advocates and speak up for our parks. JR has a few tips for YOU to become a park advocate today.



1) Ask your parents to vote! In November, voters can approve bond money to make parks better and make new ones, so that kids all over Austin have great parks to play in.

2) Ask your parents to take you and your friends to the parks in the passport at the end of the booklet. Tell your friends why you love your park!

3) Ask your parents to take a short video of you talking about how important parks are. Ask them to send it to your City Council Member so they know you want every kid to have a great park.

BONUS HOMEWORK: Find out who your City Council Member is!

VOLUNTEER

As one of our LHS members you get to join us at volunteer projects made just for you! These projects are a great way for parents and kids to make an impact together in Austin's parks.

UPCOMING PROJECT DETAILS

September 15, 2018 | 9am to 12pm

Zilker trail clean up and nature hike

December 8, 2018 | 9am to 12pm

Project details coming soon!

Register at austinparks.givepulse.com





COLOR ME IN & LEARN ABOUT THE ARTIST!

Mila Sketch is a local Austin artist. She made this piece for our Rock & Recycle program at Austin City Limits Music Festival. See more of her art at milasketch.com, or visit us at ACL Fest to see her art in full color!

KIDS + PARKS

The Castillos are one of many families using Austin Parks Foundation opportunities to share with their kids the joys of hands-on volunteering.

“We’re teaching the kids about philanthropy in a really positive way, and they don’t even realize they are learning,” Anissa said.

The Castillo kids—Rafael (10), Joaquin (8) and Alessia (3)—have grown up in parks. Thanks to community organizers like their mom, their St. John neighborhood will soon have a park of its own.

“Our zip code has one of the highest percentages of kids under 10 in the whole city,” she said. *“We need a park!”*

Anissa hopes her kids’ commitment to volunteering will only grow. They have already considered how to recruit friends to join them.

“I would tell them it’s really fun,” said Rafael, *“and you get to wear gloves and use tools.”*

Even though he enjoys getting dirty at volunteer events, Joaquin understands the main reason his parents take him.

“It’s important to help parks because they can make our neighborhood a better place.”



ME + TREES

Draw your favorite tree below. Post a picture of your drawing on social media with #kidsplusparks and tag us @austinparksfdn.

My Name

Type of Tree

EVENTS



FALL IT'S MY PARK DAY

It's My Park Day is our largest city-wide volunteer day. On the first Saturdays of March and November we host volunteers in almost 100 parks all over Austin. We invite you to bring your friends to our kid-friendly IMPD project and help keep the parks beautiful for all!

[AUSTINPARKS.ORG/IMPD](https://austinparks.org/impd)



MOVIES IN THE PARK

Bring a picnic, your blanket and your movie buddies out to our free series of movies in parks all over Austin.

September 20th at Govalle Park - Hook

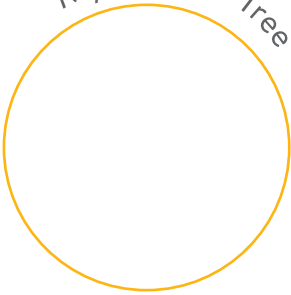
December at The Trail of Lights - Holiday Movie Night

[AUSTINPARKS.ORG/MOVIES](https://austinparks.org/movies)

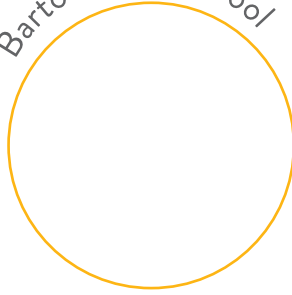
PASSPORT

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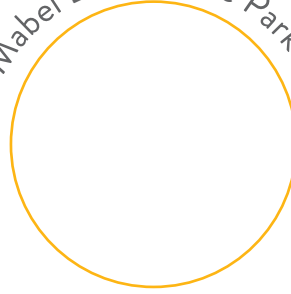
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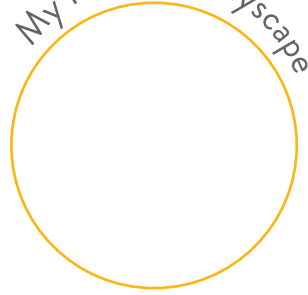
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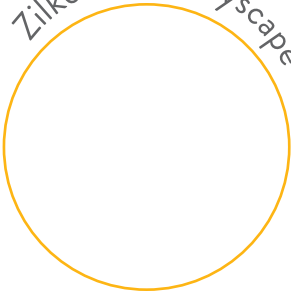
Mabel Davis Skate Park



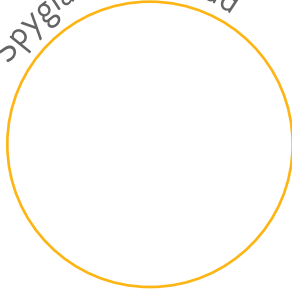
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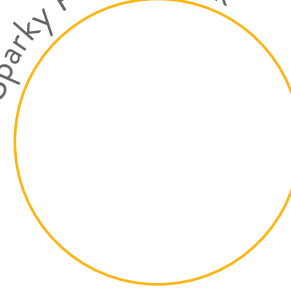
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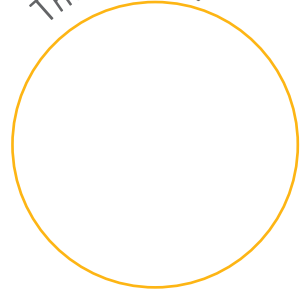
Spyglass Trailhead



Sparky Pocket Park



The Veloway

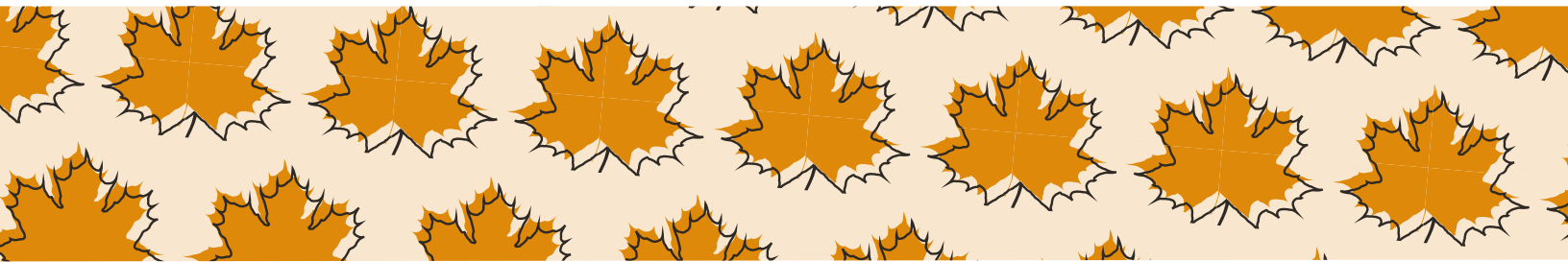


THANK YOU!

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