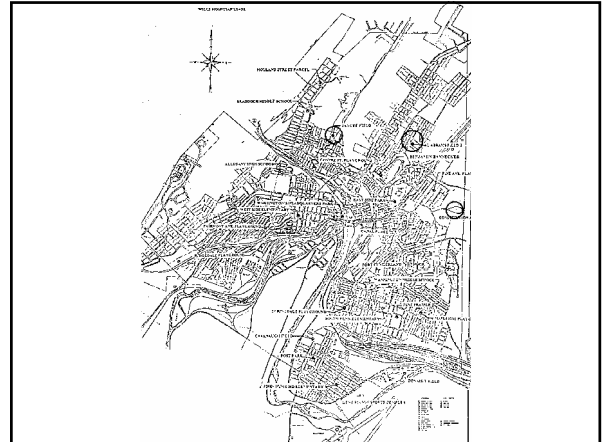


Baseball Tomorrow Grant Application

City of Cumberland

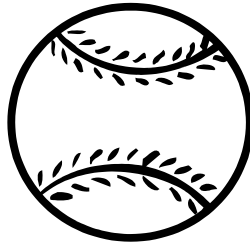
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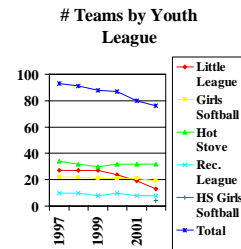
Summary of Plan

- Ballfield Improvement Plans:
 - Jaycees Field (Application)
 - Al Abrams Field (additional field upgrade possible with additional new volunteer element)
 - Possibility of third field upgrade (Braddock Middle or Washington Middle) with dugout roof donations.
- Program will use successful Long Field model from last year



Local Youth Baseball/Softball Participation

- Decrease in number of teams and players for boys teams (Dapper Dan Little League, Hot Stove League, Rec. League)
 - Little League has seen largest decline
- Stability/some growth in girls softball



About Cumberland

- Population 21,518 (2000)
- De-industrialization during 80s and early 90s
- Income – Lowest in MD
- At-risk children – among highest percentage in MD

Table 1.1. Median Household Income for Maryland's Largest Cities

	Population	Median Household Income
Bowie	50,269	36,778
Rockville	42,288	48,874
Oakland	32,813	39,879
Maryland Average	5,296,486	52,868
College Park	24,657	30,168
Annapolis	33,838	49,343
Federsick	40,617	47,700
U.S. Average	281,421,966	41,994
Hagerstown	36,687	30,796
Baltimore	651,154	30,978
Salisbury	23,943	29,191
Cumberland	21,518	25,142

Source: U.S. Census, 2000.

About Cumberland Parks and Recreation Department

- 8 Full-time employees
- \$715,704 Annual Budget
- Youth baseball/softball
 - Umpires (12 in total) for youth baseball/softball
 - Field maintenance and preparation
 - City youth (Pee-wee) instructional league
 - No youth league fees are charged by the City!



About Dapper Dan Club

- Created in 1945
- Grassroots volunteer organization that organizes and supports youth baseball and softball
 - Supports Boys Little League and Girls Softball League
 - Annual Memorial Day Parade
 - Annual Times-News youth baseball insert
 - Annual Awards Banquet
 - \$20 registration fee per child



History of Application

- Dapper Dan BT application for Al Abrams Field (2000)
- City P&R Comprehensive Plan
- Successful collaboration on Long Field improvements (volunteers and grant money)



Program Improvements Update

- New Partners
 - Dapper Dan Club
 - Build dugouts
 - BT funds would be used primarily for dugout materials, backstop installations, and part of bleachers
 - Let's Beautify Cumberland!
 - Landscaping, fence painting
- Program Open Space fund application
 - Playground
 - Paving/walkway pending
 - Commission positively received—would submit letter of support.



Cost Estimates Jaycees

- Jaycees Field
 - Backstop (\$3,100) (BT)
 - Materials for 2 dugouts and roof installation (\$4,900) (BT)
 - Volunteer labor (\$5,600) (DD)
 - 240 8' fence (\$4,000) (CITY)
 - 2 5 Row Bleachers (\$5,400) (BT—\$3.4k and CITY 2k)
 - In house paving (\$13,500) (CITY)
 - Landscaping (LBC! and CITY) \$2,000
- BT: \$11,400
- City/County: \$19,500
- Volunteer: \$7,600



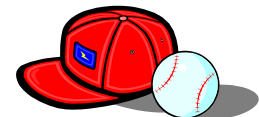
Cost Estimates Al Abrams

- Al Abrams Field
 - Backstop (\$3,100)
 - Materials for dugouts and roof installation (\$4,000)
 - Volunteer in-kind labor (\$4,500)
- BT: (\$7100)
- In-kind: (\$4,500)
- Total \$11,600



Total Project

- BT: \$18,500
- City: \$19,500
- LBC! and City: \$2,000
- Dapper Dan: \$10,100
- Total: \$50,100



Evaluation

- Little League Use
- Scheduling Increases
- League Growth (+2 teams by 2005)
- Internet Citizen Satisfaction Survey (July 2003, July 2005)
- P&R CIP program stays on schedule



City of Cumberland Citizen Satisfaction Survey
 The goal of this study is to provide the City of Cumberland with information regarding a variety of resident satisfaction issues and to provide a baseline for future studies.

1. Please rate the following City facilities and services:

	Very Good	Good	Satisfactory	Fair	Very Poor	Don't Know/No Answer
Wastewater	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Water	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Parks and recreational facilities	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Public services	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Police services	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐