

Memorandum
City of Lawrence
City Manager's Office

To: David L. Corliss, City Manager
From: Eileen Horn, Sustainability Coordinator
CC: Ernie Shaw, Mark Hecker, Cynthia Wagner
Date: September 3, 2013

Re: Kansas Health Foundation Grant for South Park Fitness Zone

The Kansas Health Foundation offers Recognition Grant funding (up to \$25,000) for projects that improve the health of Kansans. There are no matching funds required from the City.

A Recognition Grant from the Kansas Health Foundation would be utilized to purchase exercise equipment for a "Fitness Zone" in South Park. Fitness zones are a cluster of modern outdoor exercise equipment, a free, park/gym facility that is open 24/7. The city installed a similar cluster of equipment at Deerfield Park in June 2013, and has seen increased activity in the park and use of the park equipment as a result.

We are requesting \$14,500 from the Kansas Health Foundation Recognition Grant program for the purchase of the exercise equipment.



Action Requested: Authorize staff to apply for the Kansas Health Foundation Recognition Grants Program for a South Park Fitness Zone.