



# Fiscal Sponsorship



## About Us

We believe that creating and stewarding parks and public spaces is a shared responsibility and is best guided by community organizations, volunteers, and donors who are most acutely attuned to the needs of their neighborhoods.

As a fiscal sponsor, we serve as a nonprofit umbrella that enables groups to raise money to support their work. We provide an array of administrative, financial, fundraising, communications, and advocacy services so our fiscal partners can focus on the real work of benefiting people powered parks and public spaces.

Since offering fiscal sponsorship in 2011, we have supported over 260 community projects.

## Fiscal Sponsorship Overview

Generous donors support our fiscal sponsorship program, covering 50% of our expenses. Those donations, combined with the 8, 10, and 12% fiscal fees applied to incoming project contributions, ensure we can continue to offer exceptional support to our fiscal partners.

The benefits to our fiscal partners have increased over time with the addition of:

-  Staff
-  Tools + Resources
-  Advocacy
-  Promotion
-  Networks
-  Giving Platforms

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"As always, SPF provides indispensable administrative support services allowing orgs like ours to establish ourselves without overbuilding and investing in a ton of overhead. I am grateful that this administrative function is finally getting the budget commitment it needs to be sustainable."

**Sean Watts**  
Community Land Conservancy



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The initiation of our grant could not have happened without you. The resource/information you provided to assist us in understanding how to process a city Small Sparks Grant was essential. Communications were clear, professional and encouraging. I loved working with you all!”

**Meg Olsen**

Judkins Park P-Patch

## Standard Sponsorship

If you have been accepted as a fiscal partner, you are eligible for our Standard Sponsorship at a rate of 10% of the grant award or donation of all funds raised, unless otherwise agreed upon. This includes:

- Accounting and Operations: Financial processing, 501(c)(3) status and management, tax compliance, access to insurance, and contract feedback.
- Fundraising: Grant support, gift processing and receipting, access to online giving platforms, and fundraising toolkits.
- Marketing and Communications: Project page on SPF website, promotion of your project and events in SPF social media posts and emails, access to partner network, and a quarterly members-only eNews.
- Partner/Advocacy Support: Onboarding, partner networking events, guidance for public funding and project navigation, and support from your project liaison.

## Expanded Offerings

We aim to provide the best support for our community partners and are always exploring how we can improve their experience with our organization. Recent updates to our Sponsorship Program include:

- Improved Accounting processing and accessibility
- Staff availability for Development, Marketing and Communications
- A new website with updated individual project pages and a dedicated Partner Portal with options and access to:



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## Neighborhood Sponsorship

This sponsorship is available for projects rooted in community, focused on justice and equity, that elevate BIPOC representation and leadership at a subsidized rate of 8%.

## Enhanced Sponsorship

This sponsorship is available at a rate of 12% for high visibility projects with complex scope, as well as endowments and capital campaigns.