



338 North Ave, Troutman NC



September 28, 2015

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

On behalf of the Troutman Parks and Recreation Committee, I am writing to share with you plans for construction of a Picnic Shelter and Farmers Market Pavilion at Troutman ESC Park. I am also asking for your support to fund additional phases of park construction.

Recently the Troutman Town Council selected LaBella Associates to design the Pavilion which will include space for picnic tables and farmers market vendors, an unfinished kitchen, storage room and restrooms. Construction of this facility will fulfill a long held dream of the many people involved with development of our park. A design charrette will be held at the site of the pavilion in conjunction with the Town's annual Trails & Treats Halloween Event on Friday October 30, 2015 beginning at 4:30 pm. This planning session is open to the public and will provide a forum for ideas for the "look" of the building. We hope you will attend and help us decide what this important structure, the focal point of the park, will look like! A ground breaking ceremony for construction of the pavilion is set for November 17, 2015 and the facility is expected to be formally dedicated with a ribbon cutting next spring.

Park visitors are already enjoying the paved walking trail, unpaved nature trail, and playground; and on September 12, 2015 we opened the multi-purpose field for soccer matches. We are very fortunate to have corporate sponsors committed to supporting the park. We are also very grateful for the support of community members who have donated money, materials and time to add new features and programming for park visitors. But there is much work still to do. In addition to constructing the Pavilion, future plans include a splash pad, dog park, amphitheater, ball fields, tennis and basketball courts and a paved parking lot. Unfortunately, the Town does not have the funds to build these additional activity centers.

A small donation will go a long way to help finish the Pavilion and construct additional Park features. Donations may be made online by credit or debit card, by check, or cash. Donations are tax deductible and letters verifying donations may be requested from the Town of Troutman.

1. Online: Go to <http://partnersforparks.org/donate/>; under "Donation Information," click the amount and check the box to designate the donation to a Designated Fund; select Troutman Park and Recreation Improvements from the drop down menu.
2. Check: Mail a check payable to Town of Troutman to Town of Troutman, PO Box 26, Troutman NC 28166. Please note on check that it is a donation for Troutman ESC Park.
3. Credit/Debit Card: Call Troutman Town Hall at 704-528-7600 or stop by Town Hall at 400 N Eastway Dr.
4. Cash donations may be made at Town Hall.

Everyone making a donation to Troutman ESC Park from now through November 10, 2015 will be recognized at the Pavilion groundbreaking on November 17, 2015. Donors are also invited to participate in a group photograph of the groundbreaking event. I hope we can count on your support to help complete our Pavilion project and move on to the next addition to our park.

Thank you,


Justin Longino
Chairman
Troutman Parks and Recreation Committee

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Lake Norman's Front Porch