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OSLAD Grant Awarded to Village of Willowbrook for Borse Memorial Community Park Redevelopment Project – Phase III

Willowbrook, IL - The Village of Willowbrook is pleased to announce that it was selected as a grant recipient for the 2024 Open Space Land Acquisition and Development (OSLAD) award program on Tuesday, December 17, 2024. The \$600,000 grant award is designated for Phase III of the Borse Memorial Community Park Redevelopment project. The project (phase III) is expected to begin in June 2025.

Phase III of the project will see several new additions to the recreation amenities offered at Borse Memorial Community Park, including the installation of a new splash pad, playground, two pavilions, and a Veteran's Memorial. Several existing amenities will also be upgraded as part of this phase, including a rehabilitation of the walking path and renovations made to the existing baseball/softball fields and basketball court. Finally, phase III includes the installation of several native trees, flowers, and plants throughout the park.

"We are thrilled to have received another OSLAD grant which will help upkeep and improve the wonderful community asset that Borse Park is to our Village. We are grateful that IDNR saw the value in this project and are excited to debut a new and improved park for the community's enjoyment in the fall of 2025" Village Mayor Frank Trilla shared.

The Borse Memorial Community Park Redevelopment Project - Phase III project is one of 100 local projects that was funded through the 2024 OSLAD program, encompassing \$55 million in grant funding. The Village of Willowbrook was fortunate to receive a 2023 OSLAD grant in the amount of \$600,000 for Phase II of the Borse Memorial Community Park Redevelopment Project, bringing the total grant award amount provided by OSLAD to \$1.2 Million. The grants awarded are provided through the OSLAD program and are administered by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.



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