

# Durham County Open Space Matching Grants Program Accepting Applications

The Matching Grants Program of the Durham Open Space and Trails Commission is accepting applications from nonprofit organizations in Durham City and County. The grants are to assist nonprofit organizations in preserving open space lands and promoting new or improved recreational opportunities for citizens.

#### Eligible projects include, but are not limited to:

- · Assistance to a local Land Conservancy organization in acquiring an environmentally significant natural area in Durham County.
  - · Assistance to a local Scout Troop to clear and build a trail on publicly owned lands.
  - · Assistance to a Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) to upgrade play equipment at a local elementary school that is used by the community.
    - · Assistance to a local recreation organization to build a disc golf or other recreation course.
- · Assistance to a local organization previously funded by a Matching Grant to add additional improvements or recreation opportunities to an existing location.

#### **Examples of Funded Projects:**







## Major program changes recently made:

Increase to 24 months for project completion
 Organizations with an existing project are eligible to apply

### The application deadline is 5:00pm on Friday, November 13, 2014.

For questions about the grant process, Contact Andy Miracle, Matching Grants Administrator at (919) 560-7065, or email <a href="matchinggrants@dconc.gov">matchinggrants@dconc.gov</a>. For project specific questions contact Brendan Moore, Open Space Land Manager, at (919) 560-7957 or email <a href="maichinggrants@dconc.gov">brmoore@dconc.gov</a>. Grant guidelines and applications are available online at <a href="http://budget.dconc.gov/index.aspx?page=117">http://budget.dconc.gov/index.aspx?page=117</a>