Together Spokane



Schools. Parks. Neighborhoods.

WHAT IS PROPOSED?

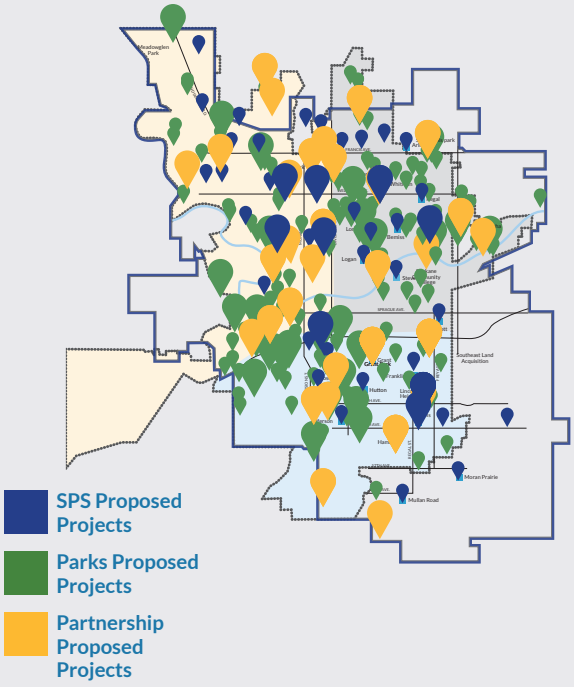
Spokane Public Schools (SPS) and Spokane Parks and Recreation (Parks) have joined a range of community partners to present this shared vision for the future of our city's parks, schools, and neighborhoods.

Spokane is experiencing historic participation in youth activities, adult recreation, and community programs. At the same time, many school buildings and park facilities are aging and need upgrades to function well and sustain increasing demand.

Working together, we're proposing a plan to improve parks and schools in every neighborhood to address the top needs we've heard from the community.

Together Spokane proposes two separate ballot measures – a parks levy and a school bond – that align to accomplish more than 200 projects across our community.

If both measures pass, we will complete 30+ additional projects that neither entity could have accomplished alone.



WHAT WILL IT COST?

The proposed Parks ballot measure is a $240 million 20-year levy, while the proposed SPS bond measure is a $200 million construction plan that would be paid off over 20 years.

The cost of both initiatives combined is 29 cents per $1,000 of assessed property value in the first year with an average increase of between 2%-3% per year calculated through 2030.

Homeowners can calculate the monthly increase to their tax bill at **TogetherSpokane.org/Cost**.

Spokane Parks and Spokane Public Schools have developed individual Q&A specific to the separate proposed ballot measures:

- **spokaneschools.org/2025bond**
- **spokaneparks.org/levy**

HOW CAN WE DO MORE TOGETHER?

If Parks and SPS were to do government as usual – in our silos with non-aligned ballot measures – we could achieve around 170 projects citywide for a taxpayer cost of 31 cents per $1,000 of assessed home value.

Together, we can accomplish more than 30 additional projects with fewer tax dollars – a local property tax rate of 29 cents per $1,000 of assessed home value in the first year.

This is made possible by:

- Coordinating facilities and programming for more access
- Joint funding and land use for efficient development
- Attracting more project partners to contribute private funds

As of July 2025, private partners have committed about $11 million to infrastructure and/or programming for one or more projects. Find a list at **TogetherSpokane.org/Partnerships.**

WHAT'S THE TIMELINE?

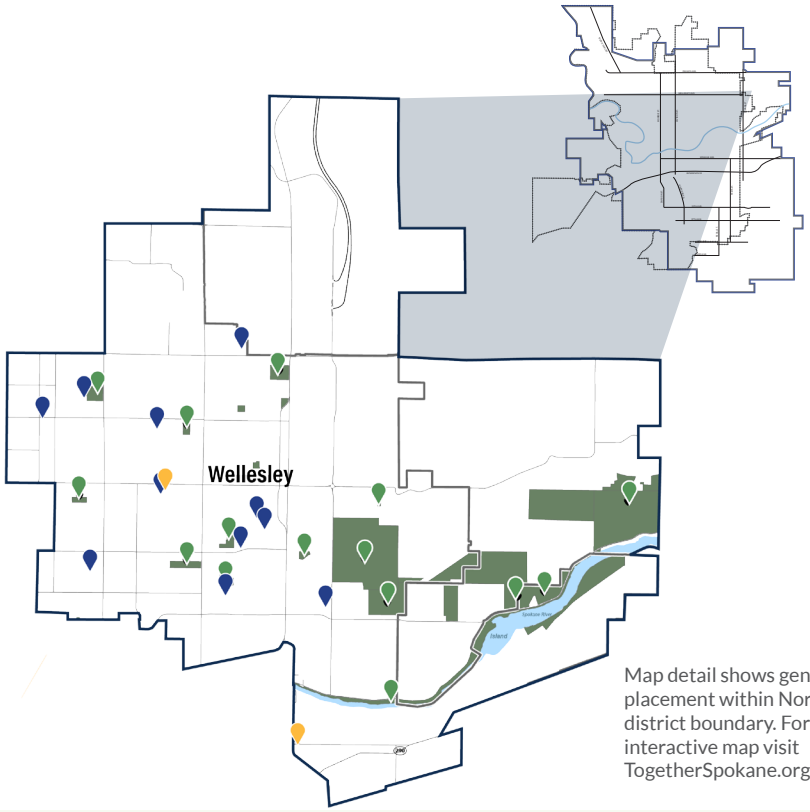
Spokane voters will consider separate but aligned ballot measures as part of a November 4, 2025 ballot.

If both initiatives pass, major joint projects and schools projects would break ground within the first 5 years, while Parks projects would be completed over 20 years.

Learn more at TogetherSpokane.org

Information current as of July, 2025

Northeast Projects



Map detail shows general project placement within Northeast school district boundary. For a complete interactive map visit TogetherSpokane.org

New Trades High School



Establish a school where students can graduate with a high school diploma, a two-year degree, and other career and technical education certificates.

New Shiloh Hills Park



Acquire and develop new parkland in the Shiloh Hills Neighborhood to bring more residents within a 10-minute walk of a park.

Garry Renovation & Nevada Park Upgrades



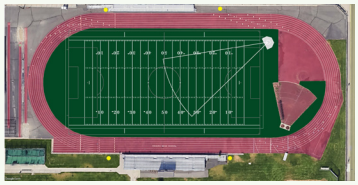
Renovate Garry Middle School and adjacent Nevada Park to maximize benefit for the school and community.

Facility Improvements for NE Schools



Provide necessary facility improvements to ensure each Northeast school is safe, secure, and has a long useful lifespan.

Citywide All-Weather Fields with Lights



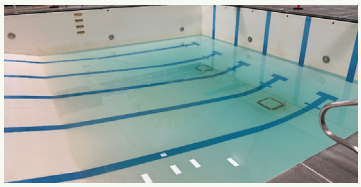
At least one all-weather rectangular field and at least one turf infield with lighting installed at Rogers High School or Harmon Park.

Enhanced Security & Maintenance



Improved routine cleaning and care of parks through more maintenance staff, and additional Special Commission Park Rangers to serve all neighborhoods.

Indoor Aquatics Center



Renovate Spokane Community College facility to expand Parks programming and offer swimming lessons for 2nd grade students.

Renovating Minnehaha & Harmon Parks



Both parks would receive complete renovation of infrastructure and amenities, with the designs determined through neighborhood input.

Other Projects in the Northeast Region

- Repair Or Replace All Park Restrooms And Playgrounds
- Collaborative Facility Scheduling
- Improved Early Learning Access
- Outdoor Learning Centers
- Trailhead improvements