



Anderson park district seeking trail, shelter grants

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Anderson Township residents will have two new amenities to enjoy in a couple years.

The Anderson Township Park District is applying for two state grants to complete a shelter at Kellogg Park and a paved, loop trail at Johnson Hills Park.

Both projects are scheduled for 2012, whether or not the grants are received, said Park District Executive Director Ken Kushner.

He added that the Park District applied for grants for these two projects last year, but were denied.

"We needed to refine the (grant) application for this year," Kushner said

"We will put in what our money will allow, but grants will help us to extend our resources."

It will cost taxpayers approximately \$51,000 to build the shelter at Kellogg Park, Kushner said, and the grant from the Land and Water Conservation Fund would pay for 50 percent of the project.

The loop trail at Johnson Hills Park, off Bridle Road, is part of the park core area and the grant from the Recreational Trails Program would help pay for roughly half of the \$300,000 project.

Kushner said this segment is about 3,000 feet and the entire trail system will eventually be more than two miles long.

The Park District approved a master plan for

Johnson Hills Park earlier this year and complete development is expected to take 20 years. Plans include trails, a fishing lake, disc golf, shelters, camping and other features.

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