

UCCS Baseball Field



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GOCO Funding Opportunity

- Great Outdoors Colorado invests a portion of Colorado Lottery proceeds to help preserve and enhance the state's parks, trails, wildlife, rivers and open space.
- Eligible entities may submit grant applications on behalf of ineligible organizations.
- Local Park and Outdoor Recreation grants help develop strategic master plans for outdoor parks and recreation projects, trails, or site-specific plans.



Local Park and Outdoor Recreation (LPOR) Grant Application

Government sponsor: City of Colorado Springs

Grant request: \$350,000 LPOR grant

- ✓ \$5 million total project cost
- ✓ \$4.65M raised through private philanthropy by UCCS
- ✓ Support artificial field turf and stadium lights

Application due: November 16, 2016

Grant awarded: April 2017

Community Impact

Parks, Recreation, Trails and Open Space Master Plan 2014-2025

- Identified youth sports and recreation opportunities as a top priority
- Improvement of park recreational facilities listed a top 3 priority
- Uncertain and limited funding for City parks
- Need for collaboration and partnerships to support recreational opportunities



Community Need

High School Baseball Fields

- Spurgeon Field
- Wasson Park
- El Pomar Youth Sports Park



UCCS History of Partnerships

- City of Colorado Springs
 - 4 Diamond Complex
- Colorado Springs School District 11
 - Garry Berry Stadium
- Colorado Springs Christian School
 - Mountain Lion Stadium
- Academy Little League
- Major League Baseball Players Alumni Association



About the UCCS Baseball Field

- Significant community access
- 150 fixed seats
- Artificial turf playing surface
- Lights
- Dugouts, batting cages, bullpens
- Brand new UCCS Baseball program
- Youth baseball, football, soccer, ultimate frisbee



Timeline

- Grant submission November 2016
- Construction begins spring of 2017
- Expected completion spring of 2018
- Community use summer of 2018

