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# Skate-park project gets boost from Tony Hawk

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Richland County Recreation Council received a financial boost Monday for a proposed skateboard park at Musgrove Park.

RCRC President Bob Ferguson said he received word Monday that the organization is the recipient of a \$5,000 grant through the Tony Hawk Foundation.

Tony Hawk is a world-famous skateboarder.

"We're really excited," Ferguson said. "It will help give some extra bells and whistles" to the skate park.

RCRC applied for the grant in October.

More than \$40,000 has been raised by RCRC and its subcommittee, Richland County Skateboard Park Committee, for the park so far, including a \$20,000 grant from Carrie Winter Trust Fund and \$45,000 from an Outdoor Recreation grant the city received in October through the Illinois Department of Natural Resources

"We're looking at a \$100,000 project," Ferguson said.

The project is expected to begin in the spring at the west end of the basketball courts at Musgrove Park. It is anticipated to be completed by summer.

City Manager Dave Berry has said the city will be making in-kind donations such as labor and could also make up whatever the RCRC does not raise, taking money from its contingency fund if the city council votes to do so.

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