What costs are involved in developing a dog park?

 Secure fencing (seperate areas for large and small dogs)



Drinking fountain for dogs and people

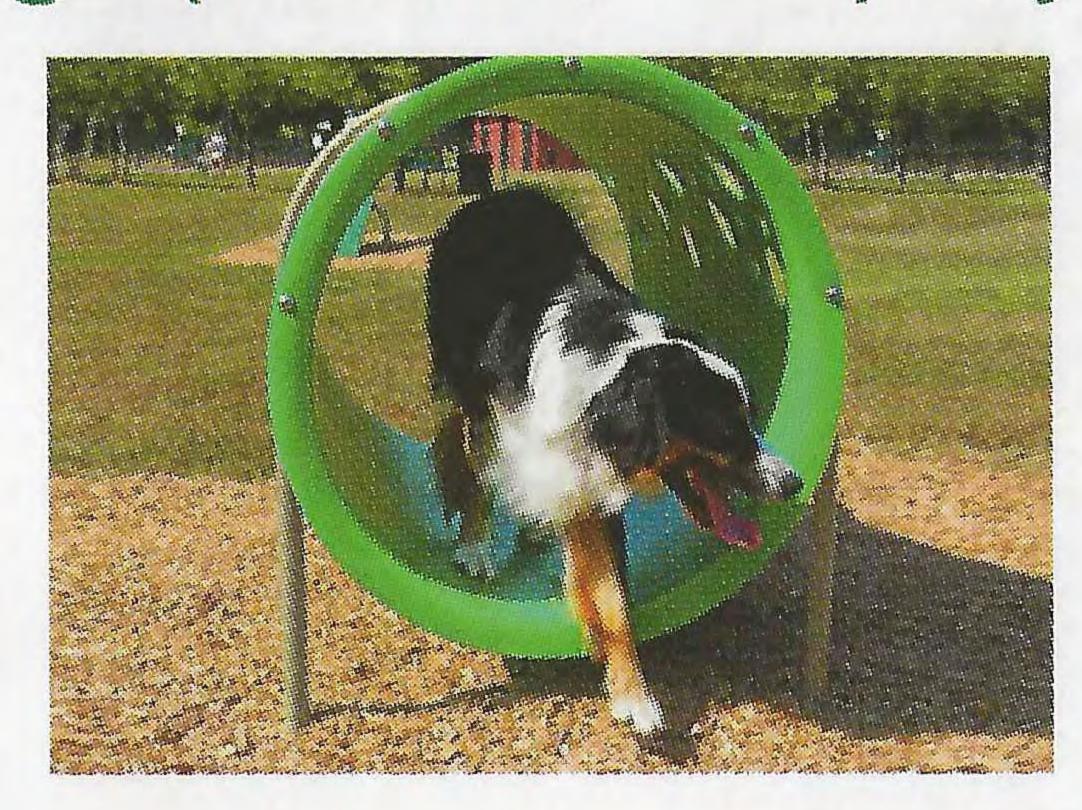






Seating

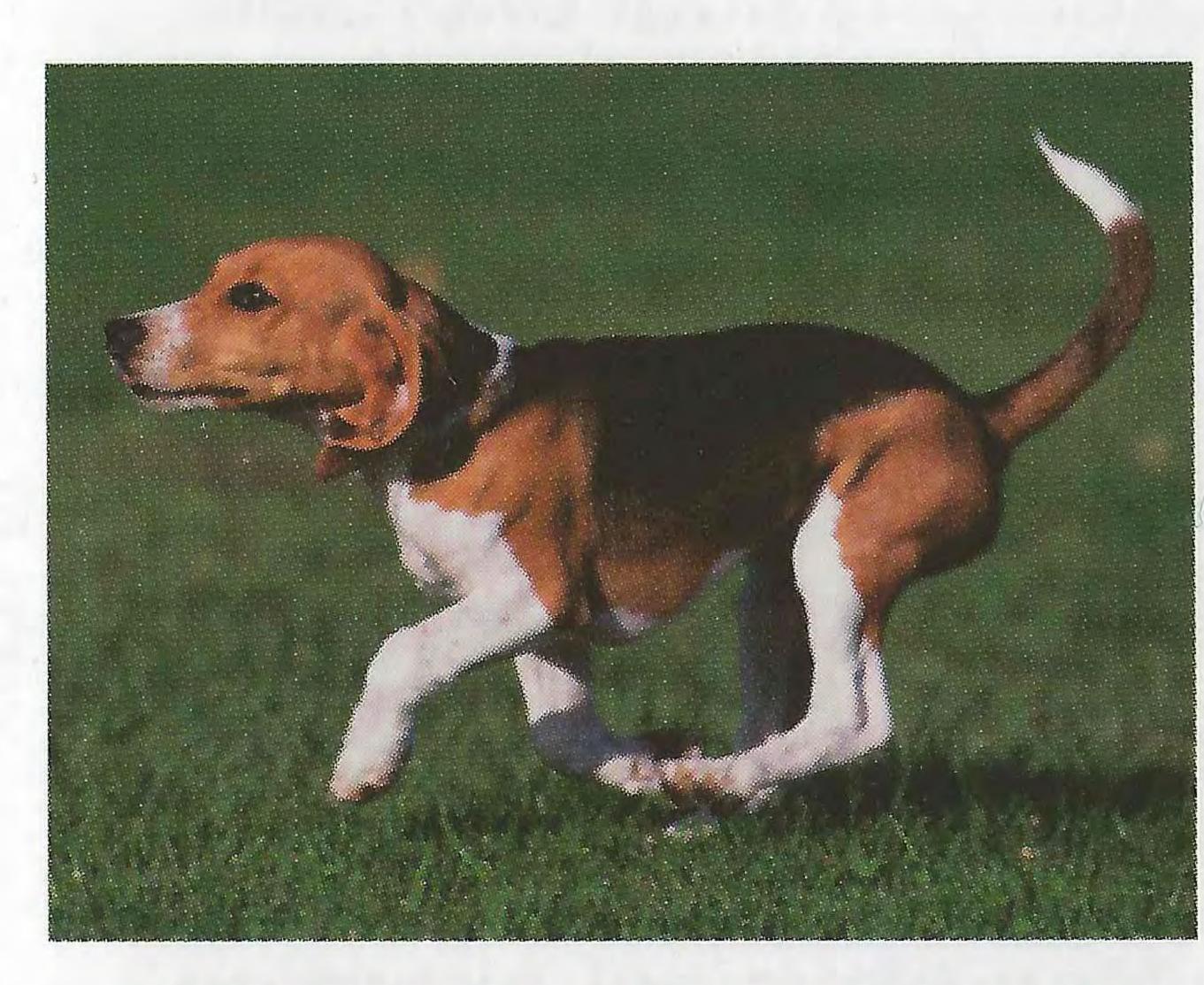
- Landscaping (walking paths, shade trees)
- Playground equipment for dogs (tunnels, ramps, jumps)



* Photos of dog park equipment courtesy of TerraBound Solutions

How can I help?

- Tell your friends, family, and neighbors about the dog park
- Volunteer to help with fundraising activities for dog park
- Order an engraved paver brick with your name and your dog's name
- Donate money to the Washington Park District Foundation*



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Off-leash Dog Park

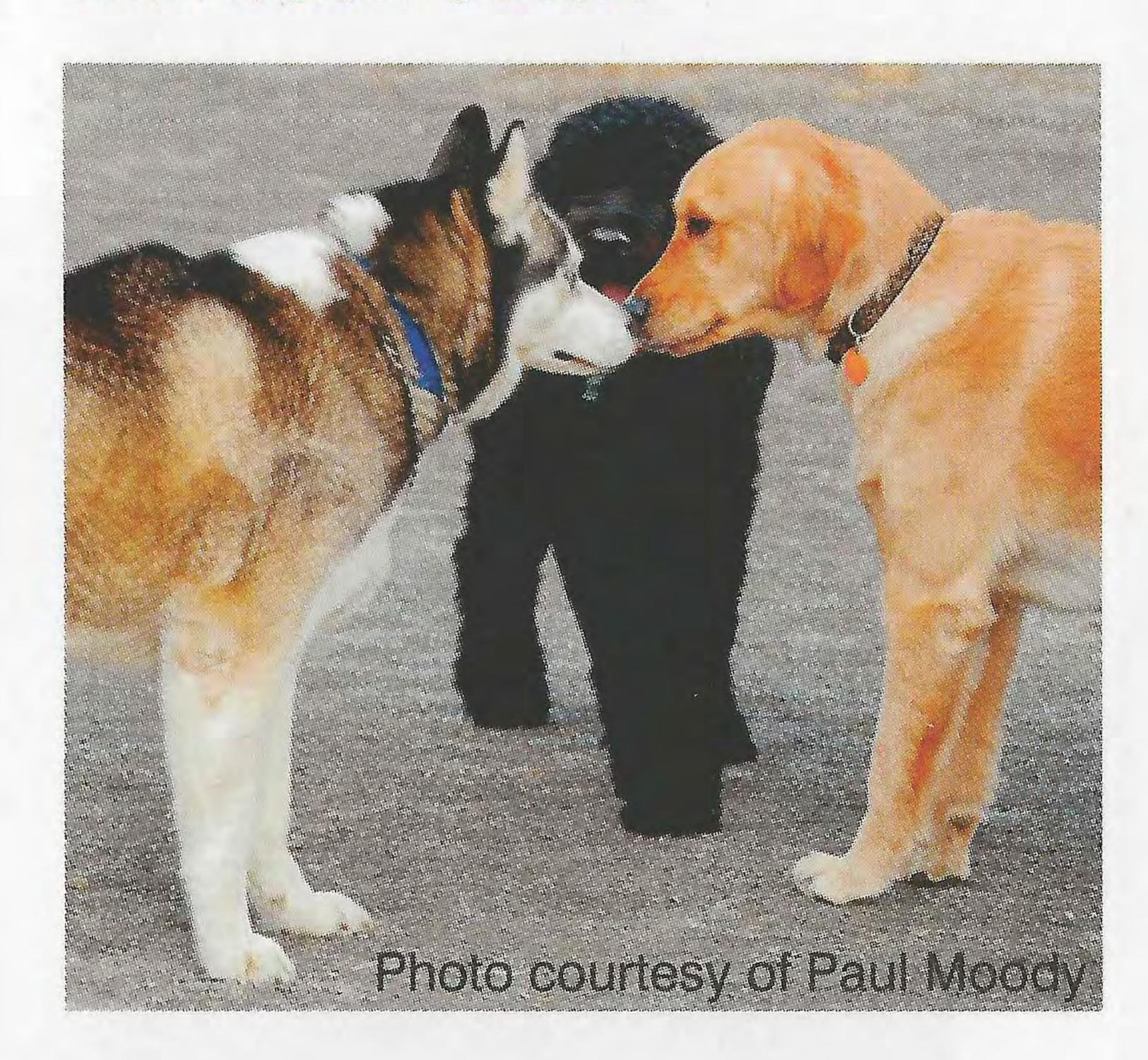


Please help us establish an off-leash dog park at Meadow Valley Park in Washington!

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What is an off-leash dog park?

An off-leash dog park is a large fenced area where dogs are allowed to run off-leash to exercise and socialize with other dogs. In addition, these parks provide dog owners with an excellent opportunity to socialize with each other.



Why does Washington need an off-leash dog park?

- There are over 5,250 dogs in Washington township.*
- Over 54% of households in Washington own at least one dog.*
- Other communities in the area already have a dog park (Chillicothe, Mackinaw, Morton, Pekin, Peoria).

What are the benefits of an off-leash dog park?

Benefits for people:

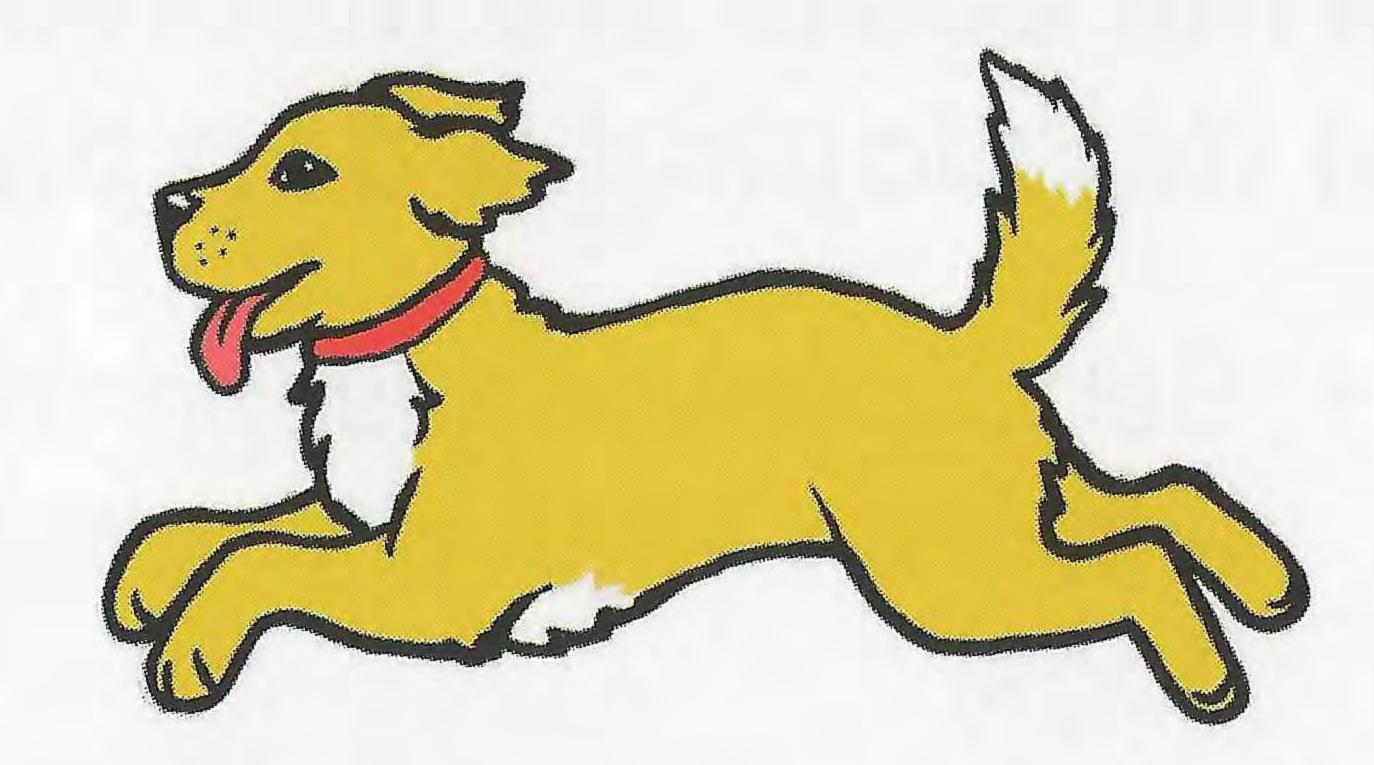
- Encourages people to develop friendships
- Provides opportunities to learn about responsible dog ownership
- Allows people to relax and enjoy nature
- · Promotes physical exercise

Benefits for dogs:

- Provides opportunities for dogs to socialize with other dogs and people
- · Promotes physical exercise



Reduces
inappropriate
behaviors due to
increased mental &
physical stimulation
(For example:
excessive barking,
digging, chewing)



Benefits for the community:

- Increases sense of community among dog owners
- Elevates property values and community appeal
- Decreases violation of community leash laws at other parks
- Ennances utilization of Meadow Valley Park



* Statistics based on data from the Tazewell County Animal Control and the U. S. Census Bureau.