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## Purcell Park to Receive Upgrades

Harrisonburg, VA – The Harrisonburg Parks and Recreation Department will soon partner with a local business to make improvements at one local park.

Every year, MillerCoors dedicates \$5,000 toward a community project that will improve water quality and the overall environment in the area.

It was decided that this year, the funds will go toward several projects at the pond located in Purcell Park.

“We are always working to make improvements at our park facilities that benefit both the community and our local environment,” said Lee Foerster, Director of Parks and Recreation. “These upgrades would not be possible without this partnership with MillerCoors and we certainly appreciate their generosity.”

Approximately 40 volunteers from MillerCoors will join city staff on Friday, September 12 at 8:00 a.m. to begin working in the park.

A fishing deck that will be more accessible to those with mobility challenges will be installed, trash will be collected, a floating vegetative garden will be built, and the volunteers will also conduct invasive species control in the easement area.

These upgrades are expected to be complete by the end of the day and the park will remain open throughout construction. Work on this project could be postponed due to inclement weather. The rain date is scheduled for Friday, September 19.

***The Harrisonburg Parks and Recreation Department manages 10 parks, a playground, bike trails, soccer complex, softball and baseball fields, and two pools. The largest park in the City of Harrisonburg is Hillandale Park that encompasses 74 acres. More information about the parks can be found online at [www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/parks-recreation](http://www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/parks-recreation).***

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