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### GOCO Grant Awarded to Town of Berthoud

The Town of Berthoud is pleased to announce that Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) has awarded a \$40,000 grant to the town to assist with preparation of an updated Parks, Open Space, Trails, and Recreation (PORT) Plan.

GOCO awarded more than \$223,000 in grant funding to four communities this spring. Other recipient communities include the Town of La Jara, Arapahoe County and City/County of Denver.

Mike Hart, the Town Administrator states, "The Berthoud community is very active and appreciates outdoor amenities. As the town matures and grows, updating our Parks, Open Space, Trails and Recreation (PORT) Plan will help determine where public spaces are developed and what facilities a community like ours needs in the future. We are very grateful for the GOCO funding to help us get going on the right path."

The Town anticipates hiring a consultant to assist with the project. Like many community planning initiatives, the PORT Plan will include robust community outreach and engagement to ensure resident's ideas are captured during the process. More information will be released about this process later this year on the Town's website, [www.berthoud.org](http://www.berthoud.org).

**Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO)** invests a portion of Colorado Lottery proceeds to help preserve and enhance the state's parks, trails, wildlife, rivers and open spaces. GOCO's independent board awards competitive grants to local governments and land trusts, and makes investments through Colorado Parks and Wildlife. Created by voters in 1992, GOCO has funded more than 4,500 projects in all 64 counties without any tax dollar support. The grants are funded by GOCO's share of Colorado Lottery revenues, which are divided between GOCO, Colorado Parks and Wildlife, the Conservation Trust Fund and school construction. For more information, visit [www.goco.org](http://www.goco.org).