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Ritter Park Rose Garden To Receive \$428,934 In Renovations

U.S. Rep. Nick Rahall (D-WV) announced that the National Park Service has awarded a Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant to the Greater Huntington Park and Recreation District. \$214,467 in federal dollars will be exactly matched by state funds, bringing the total amount of funding for Ritter Park Rose Garden in Huntington, WV, to \$428,934.

The awarded funding will enable a thorough renovation of West Virginia's only municipal rose garden. Renovations will include the

planning and engineering of the project, landscaping and drainage, walkways, lighting, fountains, restrooms, interpretive stations, parking, and a maintenance building.

"Collaborative support by the National Park Service and the State will facilitate the preservation of one of Huntington's finest attractions," Rahall stated. "The renovation of Ritter Park Garden will enhance not only the beauty of the park, but the accessibility for residents to visit the area," concluded Rahall.

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\$579,000 Awarded For Crime Victims Fund In WV

U.S. Rep. Nick Rahall (D-WV) announced that the Criminal Justice & Highway Safety Office in Charleston, WV is receiving \$579,000 in federal dollars from the U.S. Department of Justice. The funding is awarded under the Crime Victim Assistance program effective in the State of West Virginia.

"This is an excellent program," stated Rahall. Rahall was pleased with the grant announcement because "it allows West Virginians who are the victims of serious crimes to receive aid from the government in a time of great need."

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Marshall Medical Students Awarded

U.S. Rep. Nick Rahall (D-WV) announced today that medical students at Marshall University in Huntington, West Virginia, are receiving \$22,231 for student loans under the Health Professions Student Loan program for the academic year 1994-1995.

The distribution of financial assistance for health profession students is a collaborative effort of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Public Health Service, the Health Resources and Services Administration, and the Bureau of Health Professions.

"The release of funding for student loans will enable students of medicine at Marshall University and other schools in West Virginia to pursue their educations and not be burdened by major financial obstacles," Rahall stated. "Any loan or assistance funding made available to students in West Virginia will encourage educational opportunities while opening doors to future success," concluded Rahall.

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