

## Don Gutteridge Sports Complex at Lincoln Park



### How will the infrastructure be funded?

A \$2 million fundraising campaign has begun to fund infrastructure. Donors will include individuals, businesses, grants, and foundations. The goal is to have as much of the funding secured by August 15<sup>th</sup> so that infrastructure can be included when the fields are turfed.

### Can the donations be paid over multiple years?

Yes. Donations can be made over 3 years.

### How are commitments paid?

A Don Gutteridge Sports Complex Fund has been established at the Community Foundation of Southeast Kansas. Donations can be made online at <https://southeastkansas.org/gutteridge> or by personal check mailed to The Community Foundation of Southeast Kansas, 100 S. Broadway, Ste 100, PO Box 1448, Pittsburg, KS 66762.

### What is the timing of the project?

Work to start turfing the fields will begin in August 2026. Completion is expected by Spring/Summer 2027!

### Who is leading the project?

The City of Pittsburg is leading the project, and private citizens passionate about baseball, softball, and youth sports are volunteering to assist with fundraising.

*It started with the City of Pittsburg's vision to turf all infields and outfields at Lincoln Park over several years – They started with three infields.*

*Then, donors stepped forward and committed to turfing all seven fields in the Don Gutteridge Sports Complex and Jaycees, including the infield and outfield. That gift is in motion, and the turf is taken care of.*

*Turf alone isn't a ballpark. The fields still need their infrastructure – and that's where the entire community comes in!*

## Project FAQ

### What funding is remaining?

The initial donors' gift funds turf only; it does not include infrastructure.

### What does infrastructure include?

Infrastructure includes new fencing, seating, scoreboards, backstops, and lighting. The infrastructure cost is estimated at \$2 million for the 7 fields in the Sports Complex.

### How many fields will receive upgraded infrastructure?

The number of fields with new infrastructure by next summer will be determined by the amount of funds raised and the project's timing. The goal is to have ALL infrastructure funded and installed before next summer.



**Will the McNally Road that winds through the Complex be redone?**

Yes. The City of Pittsburg has initiated an engineering study of McNally Road to evaluate how it can handle changing stormwater runoff associated with turf fields, improve parking, enhance safety, and be optimized to serve better the fields it winds through.

**Will the parks be re-positioned or turfed 'as is'?**

The fields will be turfed exactly as they are currently laid out. That's part of what makes this complex special – framed by a golf course along one side, beautiful trees on the other, and a winding road throughout. No other park system will compare.

**What benefits do we receive from this Project?**

- Enhanced playing conditions
- Increased capacity for practices and tournaments
- Flexibility with turf - fields can be repositioned for baseball, softball, soccer, and football
- Reduction in rainout games
- Significant economic development opportunity with an increase in shopping, hotel stays, and restaurant demand.
- Increased exposure to Pittsburg State University

**Who do I contact with questions?**

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*We can do this (with under 250 donors)!*

Level	Gift	Donors	Extended
Grand Slam	250,000	1	250,000
	100,000	6	600,000
Home Run	50,000	10	500,000
	25,000	12	300,000
	10,000	13	130,000
Triples	5,000	25	125,000
	1,000	40	40,000
Doubles	500	60	30,000
Singles	Other	80	25,000
<b>Total</b>		<b>247</b>	<b>2,000,000</b>