



Pfriends Pfor Pflugerville's Pfuture is presented a Kodak American Greenways Award from The Conservation Fund and the National Geographic Society by Erica Stick, wife of District 50 Representative Jack Stick. Pictured in the back row are Dawn Wuthrich, Michelle Pundt, and David Buesing. In the front row are Sally Gannaway, Patricia Knapp, Erica Stick and Cecilia Galliano.

Pfriends Pfor Pflugerville's Pfuture Has First Win For The Citizenry

Submitted by Patricia Knapp, Pf4 Secretary

The Pfriends Pfor Pflugerville's Pfuture (PF4's) would like to thank Erica Stick for making the ceremonial award of the Kodak American Greenways Award by The Conservation Fund and National Geographic Society. This grant will assist PF4's "Where the Sidewalk Ends" project by making a safer route through the community. The project is initially aimed at completing five trail disjoints.

This "seed money" is a great example of how Pflugerville has the opportunity to leverage funds to enhance the community. The Kodak Award was initiated at the request of Mrs. Laura Varney, an Arbor Creek resident, who wanted her neighborhood sidewalk completed between Gilleland Creek Park and the Swenson Farms development. The grant proposal was supported by a petition from the Arbor Creek residents and Representative Jack Stick.

"We are delighted to see how the City of Pflugerville and its citizens can produce immediate results when we all work together," said City Manager David Buesing.

This award was combined with City of Pflugerville Deutschen Fest funds and earmarked sidewalk funds. After a public hearing, the package was then presented to the September 9, 2004 Pflugerville Economic Development Board (PCDC), who generously granted PF4 a \$9,775 challenge grant. The total project will connect the trail disjoint and complete the trail in Bohls Park to the Parks & Recreation Department, where joggers and walkers had already created a foot path. The funds will also cover the cost of adding stretching equipment and an outdoor shower station in Bohls Park.

"The PCDC was formed maximize the use of limited community resources," said Rick Murphy, PCDC Director. "We are pleased that PF4, community groups, and the PCDC can produce good projects that will enhance the City of Pflugerville."

PF4 is a non-profit formed in March of this year that supports projects that promote total well-being and improve the quality of life for the citizens in the greater Pflugerville area. The benefactors of the organization's endeavors include the young to the young-at-heart. Anyone wishing to support or participate in this effort should contact David Buesing, Gwen Blakeslee, Patricia Knapp, Amy Atkins, Cecilia Galliano, Sally Gannaway, Belinda Beyer, or Michelle Pundt. Ms. Pundt can be reached at the Police Department by telephone at 670-5527.

The organization would also like to thank Cpl. Mike Clowdus, Pam Bauer, as well as Jack and Shirley Cochran for collaborating on another rewarding effort that will benefit the Blue Santa Program. Earlier this year, two shipments of toys valued at over \$250,000 were acquired in a rewarding effort for the less fortunate.