



## COUNTY OF AMHERST



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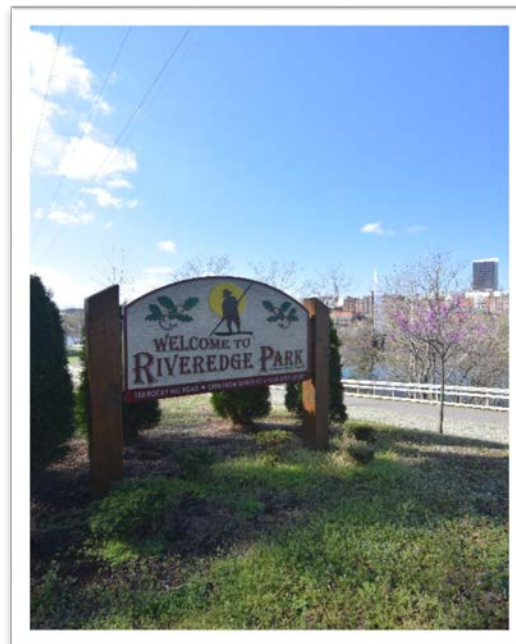
### Public Service Announcement

July 31, 2020

### Amherst County Receives National Park Service Grant

Amherst County has received a grant from the National Park Service through the Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program. The grant provides 300 hours of technical assistance for community led initiatives to explore new initiatives in outdoor recreation. National Park Service staff offers a variety of resources and will act as a facilitator in an effort to promote outdoor recreation.

The grant hours will be used to create a plan to expand public access to the James River and enhance Riveredge Park and trail development. The National Park Service staff member will help to facilitate discussions between the County, citizens, and community stakeholders with the end goal of developing a plan to enhance the protection of the James River while expanding recreation opportunities.



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