The **MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND** was established under the Kammer Recreational Land Trust Fund Act of 1976 to provide a permanent funding source for the *public acquisition of land for resource protection and public outdoor recreation.*

Funding was provided by revenue derived from royalties on the sale and lease of state-owned oil, gas and mineral rights.

This landmark piece of legislation came to fruition thanks to the collaborative efforts of the *Michigan Oil and Gas Association*, Michigan United Conservation Clubs and state legislators on behalf of all Michigan citizens.

The MNRTF has contributed immeasurably to *protecting our state’s natural beauty* and helped paved the way for *wise and prudent development of our state’s abundant energy resources.*

To date, the MNRTF has *awarded over $1 billion* in grants to local units of government and state agencies for projects throughout all 83 counties.

Of this total, $196 million have been invested in trails. In excess of 1,000 public parks have been acquired and/or developed. Other projects funded include ball fields, tennis courts, trailheads, restrooms and other amenities, for a total of just under *2,200 MNRTF-assisted projects since 1976.*
Gladwin County has received more than $496,389 in 4 Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Grants (MNRTF) and has one currently recommended and pending legislative approval.

_Gladwin County active or completed MNRTF Projects_

**BEAVERTON**
- Beaverton Fishing Piers: $59,000

**GLADWIN**
- North-South Park Riverwalk: $139,889
- Gladwin City Park and Campground Improvements: $200,000
- Riverfront Development: $97,500
- Recommended Projects (pending approval)

**BEAVERTON**
- Trailhead for Gladwin to Beaverton Trail: $50,000