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.
Kent County has received more than $36,279,553 in 72 Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Grants (MNRTF) and has four currently recommended and pending legislative approval.

**Kent County active or completed MNRTF Projects**

**ADA TOWNSHIP**
- Roselle Park Trail Improvements: $122,200
- ALGOMA TOWNSHIP
  - River’s Edge Park Addition: $49,000
  - Algoma RSC Archery Center Development: $500,000
  - River’s Edge Park Acquisition: $138,000
  - River’s Edge Park: $25,000
- CALEDONIA CHARTER TOWNSHIP
  - Caledonia Lakeside Park - North Shore Land Addition: $945,000
- CANNON TOWNSHIP
  - Cannon Township Non-Motorized Trail: $500,000
- CASCADE TOWNSHIP
  - Cascade Natural Park Acquisition: $1,200,000
- CEDAR SPRINGS
  - Frederick Meijer White Pine Trail Staging Area: $100,000
- DNR FOREST, MINERAL & FIRE
  - Grand River Edges Rail-Trail: $850,000
- EAST GRAND RAPIDS
  - Reeds Lake Waterfront Park: $490,000
  - Waterfront Park Expansion: $800,300
- GRAND RAPIDS
  - Pleasant Park Development: $300,000
  - Huff Park Boardwalk Renovation & Restroom Improvements: $300,000
  - Acq/Exp of Monroe North: $7,584,100
  - Blandford Nature Center: $35,000
  - Jaycee Family Park: $300,000
  - Sesquicentennial River: $375,000
  - Huff Park Renovation: $294,000
  - Butterworth Bridge and Trail: $108,000
  - Plaster Creek Trail: $375,000
  - Riverside Park Trail: $500,000
  - 6th Street Bridge Park Renovations: $493,284
- GRAND RAPIDS TOWNSHIP
  - Acquisition of Doezema Farm: $1,280,000
- GRANDVILLE
  - Kent Trails - Grandville Extension: $471,500
  - Grandville & Kent Trails Pathway Connection: $118,800
  - Japinga Park: $50,000
- GRATTAN TOWNSHIP
  - Satterlee Park Acquisition: $30,000
  - Sealy Creek Park Expansion: $48,100
- KENT COUNTY
  - Millennium Park Facilities Development: $500,000
  - Pickerel Lake Trail Addition: $240,500
  - Millennium Park: $1,110,200
  - Millennium Park Acquisition II: $3,390,000
  - Wahlfeld Park Development: $236,500
  - Thornapple Coldwater Park: $962,000
  - Chief Hazy Cloud Park: $1,110,000
  - Pickerel Lake Park Boardwalk: $250,000
  - Two Rivers Park Addition: $810,000
  - Millennium Park Land Addition: $276,000
  - Caledonia Park: $37,500
  - Pickerel Lake Property: $1,050,000
  - Wabasis Lake Park Upgrade: $320,000
  - Pickerel Lake Acquisition: $490,000
  - Ruehs Park Addition: $67,200
  - Palmer Park Renovation: $250,000
  - Rogue River Park: $482,762
  - Regional Parkland Purchase: $443,800
  - Purchase Regional Parkland: $1,572,500
- KENTWOOD
  - East Paris Nature Park: $82,618
  - Kenneth Stanaback Park: $99,400
  - North Stanaback Park Acquisition: $85,000
  - Pinewood Park Splash Pad: $65,000
  - Northeast Park Boardwalk Expansion: $125,400
  - Heyboer/Keller Park: $75,000
  - Bowen Property Acquisition: $26,250
- LOWELL
  - Flat River Amphitheatre Park: $300,000
  - LOWELL AREA RECREATION AUTHORITY
    - The Lowell Area Trailway: $398,000
- LOWELL TOWNSHIP
  - Grand River Riverfront Park: $49,500
  - Lowell Charter Township Park: $142,335
- PLAINFIELD TOWNSHIP
  - Grand Isle Acquisition: $520,000
  - Versluis Park Improvements: $154,900
  - Grand Rogue Campground: $863,300
- ROCKFORD
  - Rogue River Trail Network: $118,200
  - Rogue River Trail Network Extension - Peppler Park: $222,700
  - Rouge River Nature Trail Development: $86,500
  - Rogue River Frontage: $20,000
  - Rouge River Overlook/Fishing Improvements: $92,554
- SPARTA
  - Rogue River Park Acquisition: $33,750
- WALKER
  - Alpine Estates Park Expansion: $60,000
- WYOMING
  - Oriole Park Site Development: $378,900
  - Buck Creek Nature Preserve: $120,000
  - Battjes Park Passive Recreation: $179,000