



DOG FRIENDLY PARK APPLICATION

Thank you for submitting a preliminary application for a Dog Friendly Park. Dog friendly parks are a place for people to enjoy their dogs on-leash.

The preliminary application serves to notify Charlotte County Community Services of your proposal and allows us to make sure the site is appropriate for consideration. We will review your proposal according to the threshold criteria below. If your application passes preliminary review, you will be asked to develop a full proposal; if your proposal does not meet these criteria, it cannot be considered.

Threshold Criteria
To be considered, a proposed site must:
1. Not be in a park with a designated landmark/listed on State or Federal register of historic places.
2. Not be in a natural area under active management or in an environmentally sensitive area.
3. Not conflict with existing park uses, in a way that creates safety issues, nuisance issues or conflict with approved exclusive use agreements.
4. Non-County owned property will not be considered.

Please fill out the following the following information:

Community Organization Name:
Contact Person:
Email: Phone:
Mailing Address:
Park Name:
Park Address:
Describe Current Park Use:
Short Proposal (2 sentences)

Submit via email to CommunityServices@charlottecountyfl.gov or a hard copy can be submitted at Charlotte County Community Services Administrative offices at 1120 Centennial Boulevard, Port Charlotte, FL 33953.

Thank you! **Charlotte County Community Services** will contact you within 30 days with a response to your preliminary application!



Process for Designating a Park as Dog Friendly

- Application for Dog Friendly Park must be completed.

- Petition for establishment of a dog park will be completed no less than 25 residents within the service radius of the park.
 - Regional
 - Service radius: up to 10 miles
 - Community
 - Service radius: ½ to 3 miles
 - Neighborhood
 - Service radius: ¼ - ½ miles
 - Special Purpose
 - Service radius: 3 to 10(+) miles
 - Environmental
 - Service radius: approx. 20(+) miles

- A minimum 30-day public notice and comment period will be made and reviewed by the Director or their designee, the Parks and Natural Resources Manager and a representative from Animal Control.

- An application may be accepted, accepted with provisions, or rejected with an explanation.
 - Sites that may not be deemed suitable for dogs include:
 - Areas designated specifically as playgrounds or children’s play area
 - Athletic fields and sport courts
 - Parks with approved exclusive use agreements
 - Sensitive habitat areas or wildlife areas determined by the Parks and Natural Resources Division
 - Areas directly upslope from a community garden
 - Undeveloped / reduced service level parks



DOG FRIENDLY PARK PETITION

Petition for establishment of a dog park will be completed no less than 25 residents within the service radius of the park.

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Email or Phone</u>
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____
6.	_____	_____	_____
7.	_____	_____	_____
8.	_____	_____	_____
9.	_____	_____	_____
10.	_____	_____	_____
11.	_____	_____	_____
12.	_____	_____	_____
13.	_____	_____	_____
14.	_____	_____	_____
15.	_____	_____	_____
16.	_____	_____	_____
17.	_____	_____	_____
18.	_____	_____	_____
19.	_____	_____	_____
20.	_____	_____	_____
21.	_____	_____	_____
22.	_____	_____	_____
23.	_____	_____	_____
24.	_____	_____	_____
25.	_____	_____	_____