



WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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PRESS RELEASE

Inmates Revitalize Metzger Park for Community Use

March 20, 2015—Inmate work crews from several county Sheriff's Offices joined forces this week to renovate Metzger Park for the spring and summer seasons.



On March 18, 2015, the Washington County Sheriff's Office worked together with four other Sheriff's Offices and Washington County Parks to provide a facelift to Metzger Park, located in the community of Metzger. The park is seven-acres set in a forested environment. It features a variety of play equipment and is located near Washington Square mall.

Together, 24 inmates and six deputies installed new landscape barriers, spread bark dust and crushed rock, opened up and installed new trail areas and trimmed trees to increase visibility to the park area and create a safer environment in the evening and night hours. Work crews also pressure washed the basketball courts and created new pathways, providing access to the park playground areas and improving the previously muddy, makeshift trails.



Washington County along with Clackamas, Multnomah, and Yamhill County Sheriff's Offices utilized their inmate work crews to provide the labor for the project. There were more than 100 man hours of service to this construction project in one day alone.

County Sheriff's inmate crews often work on smaller clean-up projects in parks or on the roadways.

Washington County Sheriff Pat Garrett said, "I'm impressed with the inmate's desire to work hard on a project that gives back to the community which benefits us all."