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[National Recreation and Park Association \(NRPA\)](#) is the leading non-profit organization dedicated to the advancement of public parks, recreation and conservation. Our work draws national focus to the far-reaching impact of successes generated at the local level. Leveraging their role in [conservation](#), [health and wellness](#), and [social equity](#) to improve their communities NRPA's members of park and recreation professionals and citizen advocates are more than 40,000 strong and represent public spaces in urban communities, rural settings and everything in between.

NRPA brings strength to our message by partnering with like-minded organizations including those in the federal government, nonprofits, and commercial enterprises. Funded through dues, grants, registrations, and charitable contributions, NRPA produces research, education and policy initiatives for our members that ultimately enrich the communities they serve. NRPA is a strong supporter of state side Land and Water Conservation Fund. (LWCF) and introduced legislation to fund urban parks.

### NRPA Advocacy

#### NRPA Legislative Forum

President, President Elect, Leg Chair, Young Professional

- Washington DC, March 2014 (exact dates tbd)

#### NRPA Congress

- Charlotte, NC - October 14-16, 2014
- Las Vegas, NV - September 15-17, 2015
- Saint Louis, MO - October 4-6, 2016 (NRPA's 50th Congress)
- New Orleans, LA - September 26-28, 2017
- Indianapolis, IN - September 25-27, 2018
- Baltimore, MD - September 24-26, 2019
- 2020 - TBD
- Nashville, TN - September 14-16, 2021

#### Association of Washington Cities

- June 17-20, 2014 – Spokane

### **2013 Recreation & Conservation Board Meetings**

- November 6-7 Olympia