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Thanks to Keep America Beautiful Dr. Pepper/Snapple Program

[Duluth, MN] - Recycling will get easier in Duluth Parks this summer thanks to a grant from the Keep America Beautiful program, the Dr. Pepper Snapple Park Bin grant program. Sixty new recycling bins will be distributed to 17 parks. The City of Duluth was among 41 communities selected out of 300 applicants. Duluth Parks staff currently maintains 22 recycling bins but will be able to increase recycling opportunities that are easily accessible locations and used for special events with 60 more bins.

By adding the new bins, the City is encouraging all park users to recycle aluminum, glass and plastic containers. The new bins will be placed at locations where recycling activity has been low:

Wheeler Fields (athletic field/skate park) = 15 bins

Park Point (beach/regional park) = 13 bins

Brighton Beach (beach/regional park) = 8 bins

12th Street Beach (beach) = 2 bins

Roving Bins for Special Events = 6 bins

Fairmont Park (neighborhood park) = 2 bins

Memorial Park (neighborhood park) = 2 bins

Portland Square (neighborhood park) = 2 bins

Lakewalk Trail = 10 bins

"As Duluth looks to improve on park user experiences and lead the way to a more sustainable environment, we encourage park users to be diligent about helping to keep our parks clean and safe for everyone," said Kathy Bergen, Interim Parks Manager.

Parks staff will have labels with instructions for each bin. These additional bins will help reduce the stream of waste that goes into landfills or onto park land and help maintain the beauty of our treasured parks spaces.