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RE: 2025 Montgomery Parks Budget

To Whom it May Concern:

Recently the Montgomery County Parks Department worked with my family to coordinate a fundraiser and tree planting that served as my daughter's Bat Mitzvah service project. The staff were extremely gracious, and the community benefitted by the <u>100</u> trees that we planted within Waverly-Schuykill Neighborhood Park.

We were very disappointed to hear that the Parks Department budget is being severely underfunded this budget cycle. The staff at the Parks Department is doing great work, and it would be a major loss for the County if the department is so underfunded. I'm sure that our project would not have happened without the proper staffing.

I urge you to reconsider the funding level in the budget so that the Parks Department can continue to fulfill its mission to the community.

Thank you for your consideration,

The Weisman family