

Literacy Gardens

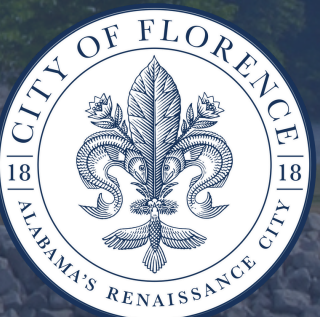
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FLORENCE, ALABAMA



Florence Planning & Community Development

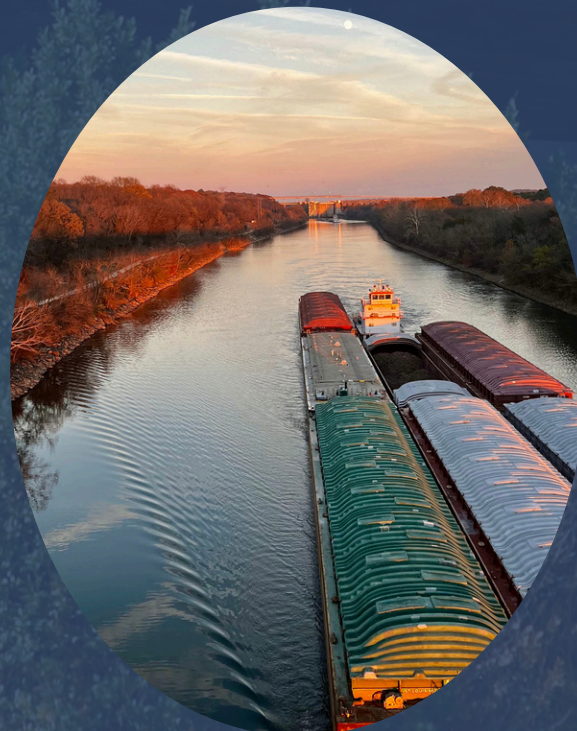


Our mission is to guide sustainable growth, strengthen neighborhoods, and improve the quality of life in Florence through planning, economic development, and community development.



Florence, Alabama

- Population: 40,184
- Incorporated in 1818 and Sister City to Florence, Italy
- The largest municipality in the Florence-Muscle Shoals MSA
- Birthplace of William Christopher Handy, Father of the Blues
- Florence Alabama Music Enterprises (FAME)
- University of North Alabama



CPD Funding
CDBG Entitlement \$321,351
State ESG \$400,100



Project Name:

Florence-Lauderdale Public Library (FLPL) Literacy Gardens

Activity Type:

03E – Public / Neighborhood Facilities

National Objective:

Low- and Moderate-Income Area Benefit (LMA)

Regulatory Citation:

24 CFR 570.208(a)(1)

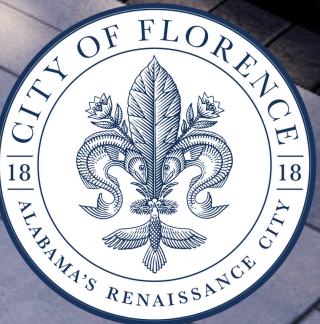
- FLPL cornerstone of learning and citizen engagement in Florence.
- City of Florence and FLPL partnered to reimagine underutilized outdoor space.
- Created the Children’s Garden and the Reading Garden, collectively known as the Literacy Gardens.

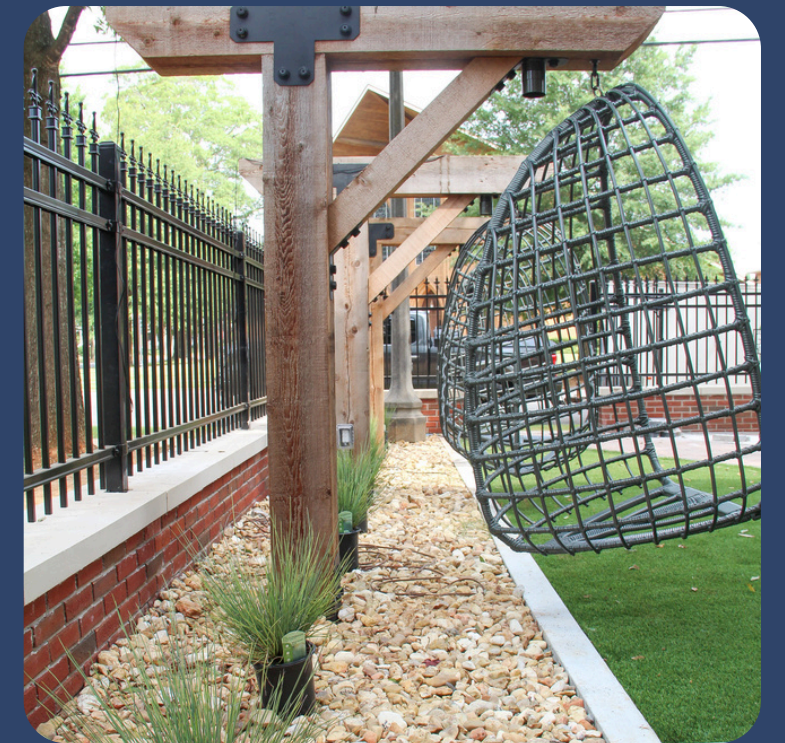


Adult Literacy Garden



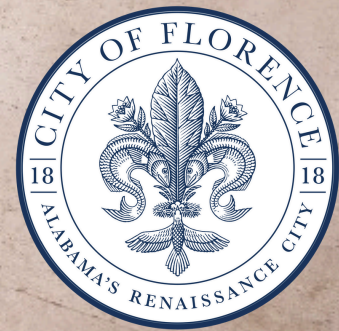
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Children's Garden





 Florence-Lauderdale
Public Library

FLPL Outdoors 
Fundraising and Naming Opportunities

*Step into a brighter future with this
exciting new opportunity!*

Community Development Block Grant

\$110,000

Fundraising

\$173,175

Private Donations

\$243,796

How can you help?

Contribute to our FLPL Outdoors project by honoring someone special in your life or through a memorial for a loved one. There are a variety of naming opportunities listed below. Any donation amount is appreciated. A donation of \$25 will add the donor's name to a scrolling digital screen.

Children's Garden

Garden Name- \$150,000
Plaza Name- \$50,000
Pergola Name- \$25,000
Donor Board- \$5,000
Benches- \$4,500
Trees- \$1,500

Reading Garden

Garden Name- \$150,000
Plaza Name- \$50,000
Pergola Name- \$25,000
Donor Board- \$5,000
Benches- \$4,500
Trees- \$1,500

This project is made possible in part by:

- The City of Florence Mayor and Council
- Community Development Division
- Housing and Urban Development
- Community Development Block Grant

funds



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*“On behalf of the **City of Florence**, thank you to the NCDA for recognizing the commitment and collaborative efforts of the Literacy Gardens project. Through partnerships with the Florence–Lauderdale Public Library and our valued contributors, **all citizens** now have greater access to **vibrant, expansive learning environments**. We remain committed to expanding community development projects and look forward to building on this work together.”*

— Mayor Ron Tyler

