

# UTILITY BILLING ROUND-UP PROGRAM



## “ PENNIES FOR PARKS ”



### What is “Pennies for Parks”?

As a means of raising money to develop our parks, the city is offering all residents the opportunity to “round up” their utility bills each month. This is an optional program and will be used strictly for park development.

### How does it work?

The program works by rounding up your monthly utility bill to the next whole dollar. For example, if your bill is \$37.40 it would round up to \$38.00 and you would donate .60 cents to park development. It will always be less than \$12.00 per year per household.

You are probably thinking “this does not sound like much, it will take forever to build parks”. However, if the average was \$7.20 per year and 500 households participated that would be \$3,600.00. This is enough to purchase a swing set or two or to help pave the trails. With everyone’s participation, the “pennies for parks” will add up faster.

### How can I help raise money for parks?

You can participate in the “Pennies for Parks” program by checking **YES** in the box below and returning it to the City of Montrose or you can send an e-mail to Sheila at [ssalonek@montrose-mn.com](mailto:ssalonek@montrose-mn.com) stating you want to participate in the round-up program.

Remember, this is an optional program and if you decide not to participate at this time but change your mind in the future, you can sign up at any time.

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**YES** I want to participate in the program.

Please return this form to the City of Montrose or reply via e-mail. Thank you in advance for your participation.

Montrose Park and Recreation Commission

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