

# PATH TO 1% FOR PARKS IN FY24

In FY23, NYC Parks lost 1,809 positions—509 baselined and 1,300 Cleaning Corps. Mayor Adams and the City Council must increase the agency headcount and continue to work towards 1% for Parks.

## **FY24 NYC PARKS FUNDING ASKS**

### **1,065 BASELINED POSITIONS**

- 1,000 junior-level maintenance positions:
  - City Parks Workers
  - Associate Parks Service Workers
  - City Seasonal Aides
- 50 Urban Park Rangers
- 15 GreenThumb positions

### **280 COUNCIL-FUNDED PLAY FAIR POSITIONS**

- 100 City Park Workers
- 50 Gardeners
- 50 Urban Park Rangers
- 80 Park Enforcement Patrol officers

### **\$5.59M for the Parks Equity Initiative**

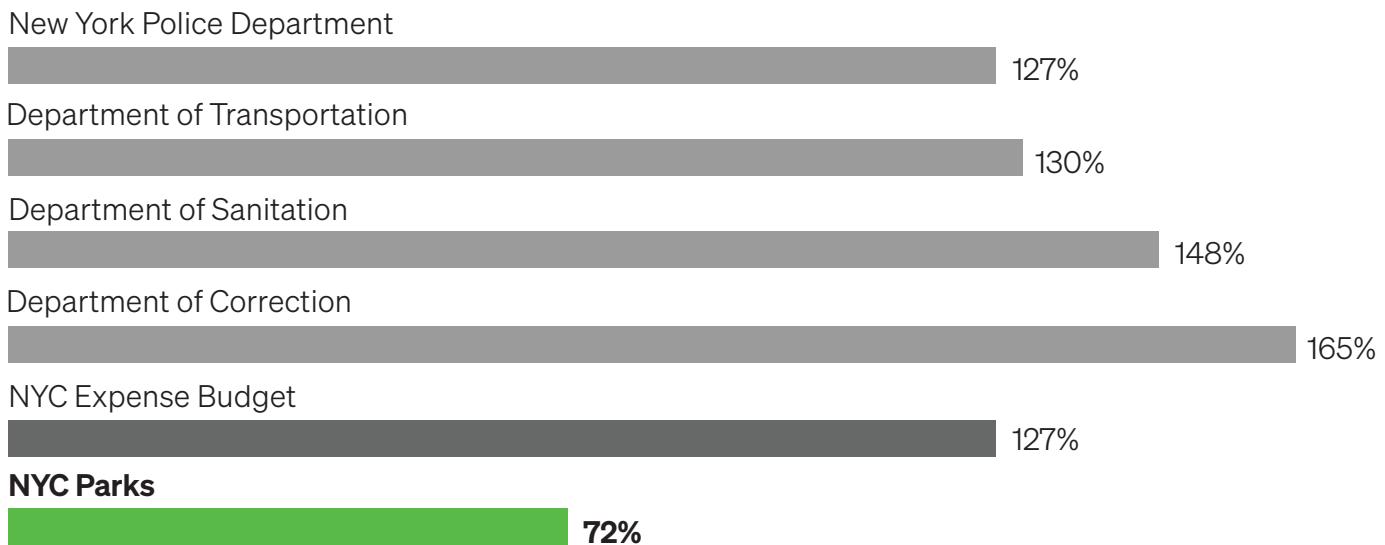
### **\$3.5M for Natural Areas and Forests, Wetlands, and Trails**



# NYC PARKS: 40+ YEARS OF AUSTERITY

NYC Parks received 1.3% of the city operating budget in 1976—the last year the agency would receive over 1%. In the five decades since, Parks funding has not kept pace with citywide budget and population growth, remaining between .5% and .6%. **Parks deserve 1%.**

## Growth in NYC Agency Budgets Since 1980:



## Parks Department budget allocations by city:

- Minneapolis: 5.3%
- Chicago: 4.3%
- Los Angeles: 2.9%
- San Francisco: 1.6%
- Washington, D.C.: 1.1%
- **New York City: 0.6%**

