

Volunteer Labor to Help Out at Eco-Park

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Sure, the Eco-Park in La Crosse has just picked up a big state grant. But fundraising's got a long way to go. The Park bosses plan on cutting corners a bit by enlisting volunteers to help tear down remnants of the old zoo in the city's Myrick Park. Makes sense to city park and rec director, Steve Carlyon in a few ways. There's the obvious money savings. There's the community that such an effort builds. There's also legacy considerations. Volunteers can tell their children and grandchildren, he says, that they helped build the Eco-Park. Last week, the Eco-Park won approval for a half million dollar state grant. Just enough to pay architects to draw up plans for new park exhibits.