

The Cobbs Creek Restoration and Community Foundation (CCRCF), is a 501c3 non-profit. CCRCF recently won the rights to a long term lease with the City of Philadelphia to restore Cobbs Creek Golf Course in West Philadelphia.

- CCRCF will raise +\$50m to restore Cobbs Creek (Wilson, 1916) in Philadelphia. This is part of Fairmount Park, in the City of Philadelphia, and across the street from Montgomery and Delaware Counties.
- Daily operating revenues will go into the foundation for after school programs, and golf programs such as the First Tee program and caddy scholarships, environmental education, USGA's character counts educational series, STEM, and is collectively known as *Course to Greatness*.
- Cobbs Creek is also a critical site in the history of African Americans and the game of golf. Examples of that include the United Golfers Association (UGA) – the nation's black golf tour – holding its major championship, (the UGA National) multiple times at the site, as well as, Charlie Sifford (arguably the “Jackie Robinson” of golf) and other important black golfers (like Howard Wheeler) identifying it as their home course. In 2016, Cobbs Creek was inducted into the African American Golfers Hall of Fame. In addition, Arnold Palmer and several other PGA Tour legends played in the Philadelphia Daily News Open at Cobbs.
- Part of the program concept is the celebration of 2026: the 250th anniversary of America where CCRCF will attempt to host a number of golf events. In addition, the foundation is pursuing a major PGA event at Cobbs as well which will mean an economic impact to the region of approximately \$100m.

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COBBS CREEK RESTORATION & COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

A COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION PROGRAM

VISION

The Cobbs Creek Restoration and Community Foundation (CCRCF) endeavors to be the preeminent organization in providing a world class golf and educational experience for the young people of the Delaware Valley through the game.

MISSION

By restoring a Philadelphia Landmark, CCRCF will utilize a world-class golf course to provide four core elements to the Greater Delaware Valley:

- ▶ Create environmental and economic sustainability for CCGC
- ▶ Provide a premier value driven educational center
- ▶ Stimulate charitable revenue for philanthropic initiatives
- ▶ Provide economic growth in the Philadelphia region

EDUCATION

At its core purpose, the Cobbs Creek Restoration and Community Foundation is established to provide a premier value driven education center program, introducing the youth of Philadelphia to the game's life lessons with pending partnerships with:

- ▶ The First Tee Program of Philadelphia
- ▶ The Philadelphia Section of the PGA
- ▶ The USGA STEM and Agronomy Initiatives
- ▶ The School District of Philadelphia
- ▶ The J. Wood Platt Caddie Scholarship program

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

The environmental plan is a comprehensive Floodplain Restoration and will be a certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary under the Audubon International Cooperative Sanctuary Program for golf, partnering with local, state and federal leaders. The program highlights include:

- ▶ A comprehensive storm water management and irrigation plan
- ▶ The creation of new wetlands for stream restoration and mitigation
- ▶ Partnerships with local universities and science centers
- ▶ A Center for Environmental Learning

“*Creeks and hills and bunkers and traps and trees and ditches and rough - it's Cobbs Creek. But, boy, ain't it tough?*”

- Joe Dey USGA President 1928



HISTORY

Designed by legendary golf course architect Hugh Wilson, Cobbs Creek has fallen into disrepair and as a result, is a blight on the community, an area for criminal activities and an environmental hazard. The cost of running and maintaining CCGC does not work financially and does not provide any community enrichment opportunities. The Cobbs Creek and Karakung courses and driving range are situated on approximately 340 acres of Fairmount Park with the appropriately named Cobbs Creek running through a large part of the property.

- ▶ Gil Hanse and Jim Wagner designed plan that brings Cobbs Creek back to its original luster
- ▶ Fulfills legacy of Golden-age Architects
- ▶ Recaptures an important cultural history of the park system