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Mies Park to receive new play equipment soon

Livonia residents who enjoy a trip to the play area at Mies Park are about to receive a new ADA-compliant play space this spring.

Thanks in part to a \$200,000 grant from GameTime, a manufacturer of innovative play equipment, through the mParks 2023 Statewide Funding Initiative, Mies Park's play area is receiving a major facelift and update. Located north of Grant Elementary School on West Chicago Street, the playground will become a PlayCore National Demonstration Site (NDS) Network play area.

"A new and ADA-compliant play area was long overdue for the residents around Mies Park," said Ted Davis, superintendent of Livonia Parks and Recreation. "As part of the NDS Network, we will be able to utilize best practices and have a positive impact on community health."

The NDS program and design uses best-practice research to activate play and recreation destinations.

"We're very excited for this play area to open," Mayor Maureen Miller Brosnan said. "The previous play area lacked accessibility and features that our residents deserve, and this new space will provide a spot for families to enjoy and create memories for years to come."

Removal of the old play area equipment began the second week of March. The space will be prepared for delivery of the new equipment in early April, with installation expected to take two to six weeks, depending on weather conditions.

Wayne County contributed \$65,000 toward the \$400,000 cost of the play area.

Livonia received an mParks Promotes Play Initiative Award for the project at the Michigan Recreation and Parks Annual Conference.

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