

friendship park



What is Accessibility vs Inclusive Design?

There is a vast difference between accessibility and inclusion. Accessibility provides **access** to an area or object, while **inclusion** welcomes and involves everyone within a group. Inclusion rejects segregation and secures opportunities for all community members along with acceptance. Inclusion embraces understanding, adaptations, and naturally supportive relationships.

Friendship Park will be designed to meet the needs of everyone. Dickinson's parks do not offer this freedom of play for all, and this is why this project was born.

Our Community



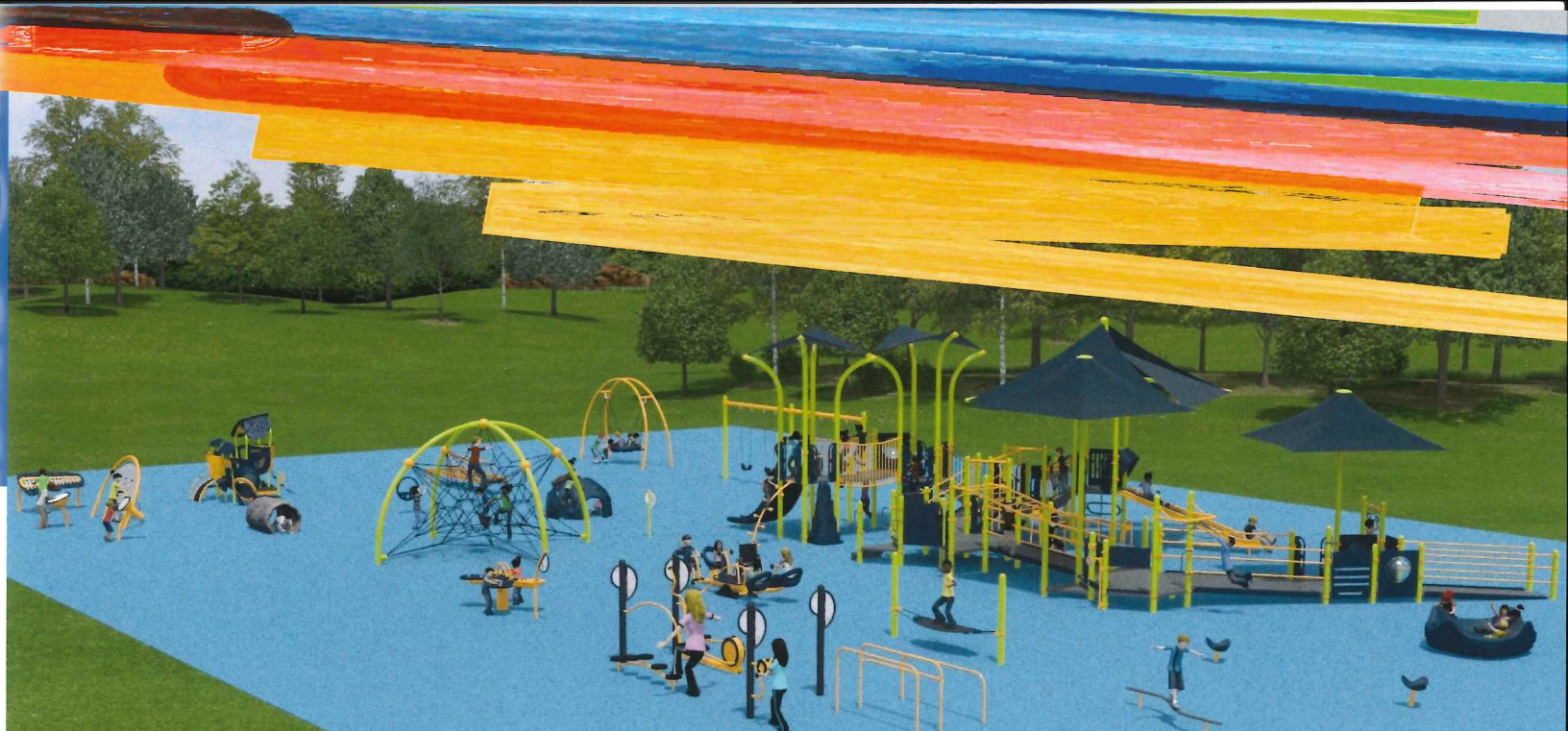
meet
ZEPPELYN

Zeppelyn is a loving and energetic two-year-old. She loves music and dancing. She loves swinging, running, jumping, and climbing. She is our little explorer. She is very independent and tries to do as much as possible without any assistance. In the summer of 2017, Zeppelyn was diagnosed with autism. She sees the world differently than a lot of kids her age do. Zeppelyn attends therapy multiple times a week and has shown amazing progress with the activities and techniques that are being used. We provide as much stimulation as we can for her at home, but we often drive 220 miles round-trip so she can visit a park that has all of the things that she loves and can use easily and safely. She responds really well to music, so taking her to an environment that lets her incorporate sounds and music into her play would be very beneficial for her. Having a play area that allows her to climb and jump freely without it being too high and potentially dangerous would give her the opportunity to have her sensory needs met. Having a park closer to home that would provide calming areas, space to run, games, impact-ready surfaces, and sensory components would not only be beneficial to Zeppelyn, but also to all of the children in our community.



meet
BECKETT

Beckett is a 5-year-old with lots of great gifts. He is imaginative and independent, often entertaining himself with made-up songs and manipulating his hands into creative characters and objects without the need or desire for toys or stuffed animals. His true self is exceptionally kind and gentle. He would never say anything negative about anything or anybody and has infectious joy. He loves ripping paper into creative shapes and has a rare passion for everything about passing gas. His favorite animal is a dinosaur and he loves to imitate the "RAWR" of a T-Rex. Beckett is also extraordinarily resilient. Beckett was born 11 weeks early and weighed 2lbs. He lived in the hospital for about 5 months before his first homecoming. He has had 24 surgeries and many hospitalizations and homecomings since. He uses a wheelchair for mobility, receives supports in all areas of his life, attends regular therapies, receives support from the School for the Blind, and has many people on his team to help him stay healthy. He has helped his close family and those that surround him have an appreciation for the growth he has made, the gifts he can offer, and for small moments in life. Although Beckett has experienced obstacles in his life, he does not need pity or to be made an inspiration from his experiences. He is just like many other five-year-olds with a curiosity for life and an eagerness to play. Beckett currently travels 200 miles round trip to enjoy a playground that is suited for his needs. He benefits from a ramped structure, tactile components that do not rely on visual input, adapted equipment that offers trunk support, rubber surfacing, and ways to keep it clean and sanitized. He LOVES to swing and would love to play with other children from his own community at a playground closer to his home.



Estimated Project Costs

This project will become the destination park to bring people together from all ages and abilities in Dickinson.

1 Phase One

Playground equipment and surface	\$650,000
Road and parking lot	200,000
Design and engineering	140,000
Total of Phase One	\$990,000

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Phase Two and Three

Picnic shelter and bathrooms	\$250,000
ADA accessible multipurpose building	950,000
Signage	35,000
Design and engineering	125,000
Contingencies	300,000
Total of Phase Two and Three	\$1,660,000

Total Project Cost
\$2,650,000

Photo courtesy of Dakota Playground

Sponsorship Levels

\$250,000 Park/Playground Title Sponsor

- Special recognition permanently placed at the site
- Logo on all printed materials
- Invitation to attend all newsworthy events
- Invitation to groundbreaking with preferred recognition
- Recognition at ribbon cutting ceremony
- Corporate information included in press packet
- Opportunity for company giveaways at ribbon cutting

\$249,999-\$100,000 Diamond Sponsor

- Special recognition permanently placed at the site
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\$99,999-\$50,000 Platinum Sponsor

- Special recognition permanently placed at the site
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\$49,999-\$25,000 Gold Sponsor

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\$24,999-\$10,000 Silver Sponsor

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\$9,999-\$5,000 Bronze Sponsor

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\$4,999-\$1,000 Copper Sponsor

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- Invitation to attend all newsworthy events

\$999-\$500 Steel Sponsor

- Invitation to groundbreaking with preferred recognition

\$1-\$499 Friends

- Recognition at groundbreaking

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