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FoundationNews

NEWS AND HAPPENINGS OF COLUMBUS PARK FOUNDATION

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The Columbus Park Foundation

About Columbus Park Foundation

The Columbus Park Foundation works to create a better, more inclusive community through supporting Columbus Parks and Recreation's programming and facilities. The Foundation's goal is to improve the quality of life of our community members through play and recreation, increase our community members' physical fitness and encourage them to lead a healthier lifestyle, protect our community spaces for future generations, and develop a vibrant, inclusive culture by supporting facilities and programs that encourage connection. The Foundation ensures all resources are used for their intended purposes, and contribute to the preservation and maintenance of high caliber parks and facilities.

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Celeste Reynolds,
Parks and Recreation

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David Hayward
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Dane Tibbs

Upcoming Meetings

- October 18
- November 8
- December 13

Meetings of the Columbus Park Foundation Board, unless stated otherwise, are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 4:00p.m.

Girls Locker Room Project

Hamilton Community Center and Ice Arena needs to expand in order to better serve our community and visitors. Hamilton does not have a dedicated space for girls and women to use, except for the women's restroom, when participating in ice activities. As the Girl's Hockey League, along with figure skating and other ice programs, continue to grow, the participants need a locker room to get ready.

This additional locker room will give HCCIA the opportunity to host more hockey tournaments including women's hockey tournaments and bigger men's tournaments. Bringing in bigger tournaments will increase sports tourism benefitting Columbus's economy through hotel stays, restaurant visits, and more.

Our goal is to break ground on this project in June 2024. In order for this to happen we need your help to raise \$400,000 to construct this locker room. You can support this project by sponsoring the Locker Room Project, and sharing this project with your community.

Now is your chance for your organization to be part of the HCCIA community and support the women in our community through the Girl's Locker Room Project Sponsorship Opportunities:

Slap Shot - \$1,500

- ★ Logo on (1) Skate Aid Front for 1 year
- ★ Acknowledgement on Social Media
- ★ Name and logo on HCCIA's webpage

Hat Trick - \$2,500

- ★ Logo on Scoreboard for 2 years
- ★ Acknowledgement on Social Media
- ★ Name and logo on HCCIA's webpage

Red Line - \$5,000

- ★ Logo on (1) Banner for 3 years
- ★ Acknowledgement on Social Media
- ★ Name and logo on HCCIA's webpage

Blue Line - \$10,000

- ★ Wrap on Ice Resurfacer with your name and logo for 4 years
- ★ Acknowledgement on Social Media
- ★ Name and logo on HCCIA's webpage



If you are interested in being part of this project, please contact Celeste Reynolds at creynolds@columbus.in.gov or 812-375-2759.

Donner Park Disc Golf Course

The Donner Park Disc Golf Course is officially open!

Columbus Parks and Recreation, Columbus Park Foundation, and the Columbus Disc Golf Club held a Ribbon Cutting on Wednesday, September 27th. Columbus Parks and Recreation's Recreation Manager, Jacob Hendricks, and the Columbus Disc Golf Club's Board threw the inaugural discs to officially open the course.

The Columbus Park Foundation supported the construction of the Disc Golf Course through Mill Race Marathon funding, and will continue to support the maintenance of this course.



We Need Your Help

The Columbus Park Foundation supports free and low-cost programming, parks, playgrounds, facilities, and trails. We can't provide these things without donations from community members like you.

Your support:

- Gives a scholarship to a child in our community that wants to participate in a Parks and Recreation program.
- Fixes cracks in the People Trail so families can bike, walk, and jog together safely.
- Provides free amenities in our parks like the Donner Park Disc Golf Course.
- Helps fix emergency problems at our facilities so our community can enjoy top-notch facilities.
- Builds new projects for our community like the new locker room at Hamilton Community Center and Ice Arena.

and so much more!

To learn more about the areas that the Columbus Park Foundation supports and how you can help, visit our website at columbusparkfoundation.org.

Area of Greatest Need

Dave and Janice Fisher
Tony and Diana Gambaiani
Tyler Rash
Christopher Raskob
Smith Family

Athletic Field Improvements

Pro-Tek Photography

Chuck Wilt Youth Scholarship Endowment Fund

Rebecca Ballenger
Cady Bequeret
Camille Carson
Michelle Jacks
Gary McClintic
Katelyn Rockwell

Endowment Fund

The Ward Family Charitable Fund

Hamilton Community Center & Ice Arena - Girl's Locker Room

Anonymous (2)
Chris & Jana Bartels
Edinburgh Grooming & Doggie Daycare
Kimberly Boerema
Timothy and Michelle Clementz
Doup and Pandit Families
Texas Roadhouse

John McCormick Scholarship Endowment Fund

Curt and Michelle Aton
Central Sheet Metal
Columbus Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
Jeff and Nanne Cutler
Brad and Julie Davis
Jason, Tanya, KJ and Boston Ely
Charlie and Jayne Farber
Kelsey Finch
Tony and Diana Gambaiani
Lori and Dennis Heathfield
Vikki and Tom Johnson
Mickey and Jenny Kim Family Fund
Chip and Julie Orben
Mike and Sally Pankratz
Joseph and Lisa Shafran

NexusPark Fund

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Jeff and Nanne Cutler
Brad and Julie Davis
Jason, Tanya, KJ and Boston Ely
Charlie and Jayne Farber
Steve and Mary Ferdon
Kelsey Finch
First Financial Bank
Richard J. and Tammy M. Freeland
Tony and Diana Gambaiani
Lori and Dennis Heathfield
Vikki and Tom Johnson
Mickey and Jenny Kim Family Fund
Mark and Marabaeth Levett
Chip and Julie Orben
Mike and Sally Pankratz
Joseph and Lisa Shafran
Taylor Bros. Construction Co., Inc.
Toyota Material Handling
Donald and Shirley Trapp
Pat and Diane Ward



Pickleball Tournament

Dave and Marilyn Adams
Columbus Area Visitors Center
Barb and Lynn Donathen
Elaine Hilber For City Council
Four Seasons Retirement Center
LC Painting
Martin Overhead Door
Mary Moore
Nichols & Dimes Antiques
Floyd and Cindy Rutan
Alan and Tami Schwenk
Consider It Done Transition Services
Scott Tyson - State Farm Insurance Agent
Dan and Jennifer Villiger
Camille and Greg Willmore
Window World of South Central Indiana

Recreation and Playground Programs

Anonymous
Pam and Mike Harrell
Mark and Michelle Jones
Jess Prowant



Sponsorships - HCCIA Equipment

Kroger

Tour de Trails

Micah Caughey
Coca-Cola Bottling Company
Columbus Rock Gym
Hog Molly Brewing Co.
Daniel Johnson
QMIX
WIN 104.9

Join Our Columbus Park Foundation Board of Directors

The Columbus Park Foundation works to make Columbus Parks and Recreation's programs, parks, playgrounds, facilities, and trails available to every member of our community.

The Foundation is looking for members of our community who are passionate about making our community a more inclusive and welcoming place through parks and recreation to join the Columbus Park Foundation Board.

Our Board Members are actively involved in supporting Columbus Parks and Recreation, and are expected to attend monthly board meetings, participate in at least one board committee, and make a personal financial contribution.

The Columbus Park Foundation needs a variety of skills, with a strong emphasis on fundraising and community outreach.

If you are interested in joining the board, let us know by filling out our [online form](#). If you have questions about the Columbus Park Foundation Board, please contact Celeste Reynolds at creynolds@columbus.in.gov or (812) 375-2759.