



## News Release

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### **Lafayette Kiwanis Club to fund new musical playground set at Armstrong Park**

LAFAYETTE, INDIANA – May 26, 2020 – Lafayette Parks Foundation announced today that they are the grateful recipient of a \$15,500 gift from Lafayette Kiwanis Club. The gift will fund a new musical playground set at Armstrong Park.

“As the Kiwanis International mission states, we are an organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time. It is the club’s goal that all children, regardless of their abilities, have the opportunity to learn and play together,” said Bob Miles of the Lafayette Kiwanis Special Projects Committee.

The playground set includes a mixed quartet of instruments specially designed to deliver a variety of sound qualities and pitch range. Each piece of equipment is weatherproof and designed with enhanced durability. Instruments include a set of chimes known as a “Swirl,” an “Imbarimba,” which is similar to a xylophone, a set of “Tuned Drums,” and a metallophone, known as a “Yantzee.”

“This wonderful gift from the Lafayette Kiwanis Club will provide a fun learning experience at Armstrong Park,” states Mayor Tony Roswarski. “This new feature will deliver entertainment to families of all ages as children learn to play various musical instruments. We appreciate the partnership with the Kiwanis Club and look forward to when the musical playground is open for everyone to enjoy.”

“The Lafayette Kiwanis Club ‘Harmony Park’ musical area at Armstrong Park will be all inclusive. The instruments can be utilized by all ages and all abilities, including those confined to wheelchairs,” said Miles. “Members of the Lafayette Kiwanis Club will be proud when they visit Armstrong Park and see children of all abilities playing the musical instruments. It doesn’t get any better than that!”

Work on the new musical playground set is expected to begin right away. The equipment should be ready for use in summer 2020.



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### **About Lafayette Kiwanis Club**

Kiwanis empowers communities to improve the world by making lasting differences in the lives of children. Kiwanis is a global community of clubs, members and partners dedicated to improving the lives of children.

### **Lafayette Parks Foundation**

Since its formation in 1994, the Lafayette Parks Foundation serves to support the Lafayette Park Department through fund development, assistance with capital projects, special events and programs. The mission of the Foundation is to solicit and encourage donations to assist Lafayette Park capital improvements and programs. Most recent projects include the new Penguin Exhibit at the Columbian Park Zoo, Crosser Sports Complex, and the Columbian Park Carousel.

### **About Lafayette Parks and Recreation**

The Lafayette Parks and Recreation Department operates and maintains 700 acres of land within the City of Lafayette. This includes the maintenance of more than 27 miles of paved trails. The city's trails are open to the public and can be used for a variety of activities including walking, running, biking, rollerblading, and more.

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