



## Dream Playground opens Oct. 10

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KENOSHA- The City of Kenosha's first fully accessible playground will open to the public, following a program and ribbon cutting at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10 at Petzke Park, 2900 14<sup>th</sup> Ave.

The Kenosha Dream Playground Project kicked off three years ago, lead by efforts by resident Tammy J. Conforti. Conforti and a team of volunteers partnered with the Kenosha Achievement Center to raise funds for the 15,000-square foot playground. More than 1,000 volunteers assisted with construction of the playground in August and September, making this the ultimate community build project.

Project organizers worked with the City of Kenosha to develop the playground at Petzke Park, as part of the city's master plan for that park. Individuals and corporate sponsors have raised more than \$650,000, with the City providing an additional \$350,000 for the playground alone. The City's funds were received through an estate donation from Mr. Franklin Tess. Mr. Tess was a lifelong Kenoshan, who upon his death gifted the City of Kenosha funds for a children's playground.

"We believe Mr. Tess would be proud that his estate gift is part of an all-inclusive playground for children of all ages and abilities," said Mayor Keith Bosman.

Refreshments will be available for purchase at Petzke Park on Oct. 10 during the celebration.

