

SPONSORSHIP PROPOSAL



DUBLIN'S MIRACLE PLAYGROUND

BECAUSE EVERY CHILD
SHOULD HAVE A PLAYGROUND

BUILDING A DREAM

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GIVE CENTRAL OHIO'S SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN
A PLAYGROUND OF THEIR OWN

BACKGROUND

In 2005, the City of Dublin, Duke Realty, local residents and other area businesses joined together to raise money for and construct a Miracle League Baseball Field in Darree Fields in Dublin. The Miracle League Field benefits mentally and physically challenged children between ages 3 and 19 around Central Ohio, giving them an opportunity to play baseball — just like typically developing children.

That initial project was applauded by all concerned as a major success. But it was always envisioned that a playground designed specifically with special needs children in mind would be constructed adjacent to the Miracle League Field.

Now, the City of Dublin and local businesses are once again joining together to raise funds for, design and construct a place to allow all children to have a place to call their own. The fundraising project is being spearheaded by Emerald Bank.

THE DREAM

The vision for a universally accessible playground is to create a park adjacent to the Miracle League Field designed specifically for children with mobility challenges and other special needs, removing any barriers so all children can play together. The playground will be designed primarily for children with disabilities, but will be enjoyable to all children, promoting social interaction between children with special needs and typically developing children.

Plans call for a playground, family restrooms, plaza and flexible space for use as a picnic area — all designed with special needs children in mind. Equipment will be wheelchair accessible and designed to inspire all the senses.



BUILDING DUBLIN'S MIRACLE PLAYGROUND

A master plan for the project at Darree Fields in Dublin has been developed. The next step in the process is to procure community support in the form of monetary and in-kind donations. Initially, we need about \$275,000 to make these dreams a reality.

The project already has a full head of steam. The City of Dublin has designed the playground and contributed \$100,000.

Emerald Bank has begun the fundraising project. Universally Accessible Playground Sponsorship Packages are available for \$1,000 and up — although any donation amount will benefit this cause.

In addition to fulfilling the dreams of all children who want to enjoy a playground with their individual needs in mind, sponsors at certain funding levels will receive packages designed to provide recognition and visibility for their generous support.

TENTATIVE TIMELINE

Spring 2006	Completion of playground design; fundraising
June 2006	Complete Phase I fundraising
August 2006	Groundbreaking/Start construction
Fall 2006	Park dedication



PLAYGROUND DESIGN



HOW TO HELP

Monetary and in-kind donations are still needed to help make these play areas a reality.

Who do I contact to make a tax-deductible contribution for the playground?

Michael J. Hufford, Senior Vice President, Emerald Bank
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Checks should be made out to “Dublin’s Miracle Playground.”

Mail to:
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For more information, go to www.dublin.oh.us.

PLAYGROUND PARTNER SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES

	FRIEND OF THE PLAYGROUND	SPONSOR
	\$1000	\$10,000
Speak at groundbreaking/ dedication		YES
Inclusion of name in permanent art/architecturally incorporated display at field (Display to be determined based upon number of donors. A similar display was created for the Miracle League Field) .		YES
Inclusion of name in paver brick	YES	NO
Recognition at Dublin City Council meeting		YES
Recognition in City “In Touch” ad		YES
Recognition in Inside Dublin/Dublin Life		YES
Recognition on City cable bulletin board		YES
Recognition in City media releases		YES
Recognition on City Web site	YES	YES
Receive commemorative item at dedication	YES	YES