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**WEST BLOOMFIELD ROTARY HELPS PAVE WAY
FOR UNIVERSALLY ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND**

WEST BLOOMFIELD, MI — Rotary Club of West Bloomfield presented a check in the amount of \$2,500 to West Bloomfield Parks to advance its plans for a universally accessible playground at Drake Sports Park in West Bloomfield. Upon completion the playground will be inclusive for those of all abilities. Children in particular, with and without disabilities, will be able to play together, explore and enjoy the park. In attendance for the presentation were Dr. Gerald Hill, former president, Rotary Club of West Bloomfield; Renee Floer, president, Rotary Club of West Bloomfield; Rotary club members; Jennifer Tucker, executive director of West Bloomfield Parks and West Bloomfield Parks commissioners.

The donation was made possible through the support of many sponsors of a 2020 fundraising event, ***Mission Possible ... Creating Opportunities For Youth***. Although the event was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic, sponsors remained true to its causes.

“WB Parks is grateful for this gift that takes us one step further toward our goal of offering all children who visit our park the freedom of play.” said Jennifer Tucker, executive director, West Bloomfield Parks. It will be a place where kids of any ability can play together, including children with wheelchairs, walkers and other mobility support equipment.”

In addition to its donation to West Bloomfield Parks, financial support will also be extended to West Bloomfield Rotary’s scholarship program for at-risk high school students and the purchase of books for preschool children.

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About West Bloomfield Rotary

The 1.2 million Rotarians worldwide are people of action, driven by a desire to create opportunities, strengthen communities, and find solutions to the tough challenges that affect people locally and around the world. Rotary initiatives include peace and conflict resolution; disease prevention and treatment; water and sanitation; maternal and child health; education and literacy; and economic and community development. Chartered in 1988, West Bloomfield Rotary supports these causes both locally and internationally. www.westbloomfieldrotary.org

About West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation

Founded in 1970[, West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation is committed to meeting the community's recreation, leisure and social needs by acquiring and enhancing public parkland and supporting year-round facilities and programs for youth, teens, adults, families and seniors. Its goal is to enhance the quality of life in the community by providing facilities, programs and natural settings for the enjoyment of residents. Publicly elected commissioners and a commission appointed director are responsible for the maintenance and programming of 580 acres divided over 12 township parks. www.wbparks.org

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