Special Edition: Bonds 2012

This April 3rd, Park Bonds = Prop 3

On Tuesday, April 3rd, you will have an opportunity to invest in revitalizing parks and trails that make Anchorage one of our nation's top cities to live, work and play.



If passed, this bond funding will go directly into making much needed safety improvements to our beloved Coastal Trail and greenbelts, Alaska's first 100% accessible playground in Cuddy Family Midtown Park, LED energy efficient lighting installation at Kincaid Park, ice rink upgrades, and restoration of the Anchorage Veteran's Memorial.

The Anchorage Park Foundation supports the parks bond as an investment for our families and future generations. Your support of proposition 3 will make a difference! **Keep reading or click here to learn more.**

It's Time for Alaska's 1st Fully Inclusive Playground

Meet Anna. She is 5 years old and has spina bifida, which paralyzed her lower legs before she was born. She uses a walker and wheelchair to get around. Her dream is a playground where she can play with her cousins and friends.

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<u>JOB</u>: Parks & Recreation Volunteer Coordinator:

Great full-time position working with community volunteers in parks! Position closes April 3rd. Click here to apply!

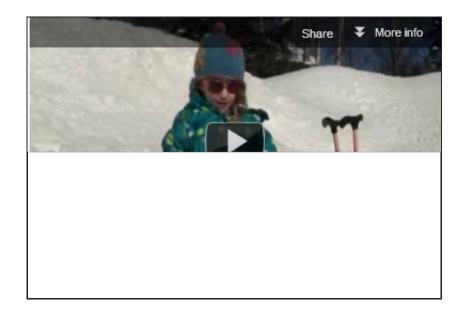
2012 Neighbor-Powered
Park Fix-Its: SAVE THE DATE

- Minnesota Park (May 19th, 9am-noon)
- Nunaka Valley North (June 2nd, 9am-noon)
- Wolverine Park (June 9th, 9am-noon)
- Windsong Park (June 16th, 9am-noon)
- Kiwanis Fish Creek (June 23rd, 9-noon)
- Sitka Park (June 30th, 9am-noon)
- Sand Lake Park (July 7th, 9am-noon)
- Shady Birch (July 14th, 9am-noon)

Everyone is invited to volunteer and lend a hand! Contact **Shannon** for more info or to sign up.

The **Anchorage Park Foundation** is a non-profit organization that builds *Healthy Parks - Healthy People* by mobilizing public support and financial resources for Anchorage parks, trails, and recreation opportunities.

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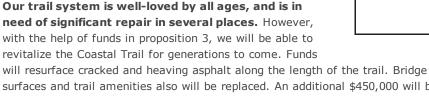
The new playground will be a central community play space and certified Boundless Playground. Children who experience disabilities will be able to play independently in a safe environment, and parents, grandparents, and veterans with disabilities will be able to play with their children, without barriers, in Anchorage's crown-jewel park.

Anchorage Downtown Rotary and Parks for All have already raised a substantial portion of the necessary funds. The remaining \$100,000 in funding for the Playground is in Proposition 3.

If Proposition 3 passes, Anna and an estimated 8,500 other kids with disabilities in Anchorage could finally have a place to play. These funds will also complete the oval rink's lighting system, access, and permanent storage projects.

Coastal Trail Safety Upgrades - \$1,250,000

Anchorage's world class trail system is one of the jewels of the community. Weaving our urban landscape together from coastline neighborhoods to the foothills of Chugach State Park, it is consistently ranked as the city's #1 recreational asset.



surfaces and trail amenities also will be replaced. An additional \$450,000 will be used to replace and/or resurface trail bridges including those along the Chester Creek and Campbell Creek greenbelts.

Restoration of the Veteran's Memorial - \$100,000

The 24 year old Veteran's Memorial at Delaney Park downtown is in serious need of repair and restoration. Work will include providing access for those experiencing disabilities, landscaping, lighting installation, and other enhancements.

LED Energy Efficient Trail Lighting at Kincaid Park - \$250,000

Funds will replace Kincaid Park's old trail lighting system with an energy efficient LED lighting system, which will deliver cost savings, improve trail safety, and benefit Alaska's environment.

Dempsey Anderson Ice Arena Improvements - \$450,000

This project will make facility upgrades to address public safety, improve

dscaping, expand parking, and install lighting.					

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