







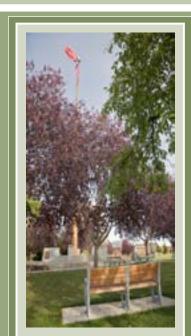


CAPSIS Project Number 62873

Legislative District 25-M



Whisper Faith Kovach Park



Parks Recreation

Anchorage has 10,946 acres of municipal parkland, 223 parks, and over 250 miles of trails and greenbelts that link neighborhoods with surrounding natural open space and wildlife habitat. These are considerable assets for the citizens of Anchorage to enjoy and maintain.

Parks & Recreation launched the Clean & Green, Safe & Secure Campaign with the Anchorage Park Foundation to upgrade the safety, function, and appearance of Anchorage parks. To get involved, call 343-4587. Thie park was purchased in 1975 and began development in 1994. The park was renamed Whisper Faith Kovach Park in 1998 as a memorial to a seven year old girl.

Whisper Faith Kovach Park is an important playground for the Abbott Loop neighborhood. The playground and safety surfacing are not currently compliant with industry-wide safety and accessibility standards. Upgrading the playground and safety surfacing will remedy this issue.

In the summer of 2016, the Anchorage Park Foundation and Parks & Recreation Department plan to complete improvements in Whisper Faith Kovach Park with the help of community volunteers and the input of a neighborhood park committee. We invite the Alaska State Legislature to join us in investing in the future of Whisper Faith Kovach Park and the Abbott Loop neighborhood. The Anchorage Park Foundation will match legislative investment in neighborhood park fix-its with volunteer involvement and generous support from the Rasmuson Foundation's Anchorage Parks Initiative









Whisper Faith Kovach Park



Project Cost Estimate

Project Budget	Cost
Accessible Playground Safety Surface	\$100,000
Play Equipment for Ages 6-12	\$100,000
Dog Park	\$100,000
Landscaping and Amenities	\$50,000
Total	\$350,000
Funding:	
Rasmuson Foundation funding**	\$40,000

**If funding from the AK Legislature is secured for this project, the Anchorage Park Foundation plans to commit at least \$40,000 of Rasmuson Foundation funding to this neighborhood park.

\$310,000

Total 2015 Legislative Request

