

MERIDIAN HEIGHTS SCHOOL ADVISORY ASSOCIATION (MHSAA)

PLAYGROUND REBUILD COMMITTEE

Seeking donations of building material for our playground

Hello,

Meridian Heights School in Stony Plain is building a new playground at our school this summer as part of the 40th Anniversary Celebration of the school. The current wooden playground is over 20 years old and near the end of its lifespan. The Meridian Heights School Advisory Association (MHSAA), a registered Non-profit group, leads this large project.

Excitement within the school population, particularly with younger students, is high. Currently we have raised over \$220,000 in cash as well as many in kind donations. However, as of January 2015, we are still ~\$60,000 in cash short of our goal. To try to reduce this amount that we need meet that goal, we are seeking to find donations of some of the materials that we will need to complete this project. These materials are a necessary part of the project, but do not directly add "play value" to the children. If we can reduce our cash outlay on them, it means that critical play components may not get cut if money runs short.

We will build the playground this summer (July 2015) so any short comings in funding will mean a cut in scope of the project. If you could help in any way to help make the complete project a reality, we would really appreciate it. Donors will be recognized by a Donor Sign at the playground as well as in the local newspaper as part of our grand opening in the fall.

The materials I am currently seeking are:

- 50 pieces of 6 x 6 treated lumber 12' long,
- 8 pieces of 10' rebar, ½" dia. will be cut into 30" pieces (so could use equivalent scraps)
- 1 box of 12" galvanized spikes (~80 spikes)
- 4x8 patio pavers (can be assorted colors), estimated at 775 pieces (170 sq ft)
- 8x8 patio pavers, estimated at 50 (22 sq ft)
- Snow fencing with rebar or other supports, or construction fencing (to mark off construction area) approx 500'. Can be just on loan to us too.
- Exterior metal paint and primer to re-paint the playground pieces that will remain in younger children's area. (maybe 3 gallons uncertain on quantities right now)
- Shingles to fix roof on gazebo
- 30 40 bags of standard pre mixed or quick set concrete
- 3 m3 of concrete delivered
- Discounted or donated source for clean sand (~800 tonnes)
- Supply of large sign for Donor Recognition

Please contact me with any questions you may have, or to pledge support. Providing any portion of this list would really help. If you are unable to donate, but could give me a very good reduced pricing, please also let me know. I would be happy to provide any other details you may wish.

Thank you for considering our request for support,

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