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Established 1951

Dear Woodlawn Preschool/Early Childhood Education Enthusiast,

Woodlawn Preschool is a long-standing registered and accredited nonprofit preschool in Battle Creek. *We provide an atmosphere of learning to facilitate growth, enhance self-esteem, and prepare students for the future.* **We have two preschool sites** in Battle Creek. **One location does not currently have any playground equipment and the other needs to be updated & refreshed.**

Raising Funds for Commercial Quality Playground Equipment

PLEASE HELP US REACH OUR FUNDRAISING GOAL: \$50,000 ASAP

Help dozens of 2-4 YEAR OLDS play simultaneously on accredited equipment

Do you remember being at a playground as a child?

Squealing, as you whooshed down a slide;

Kicking your feet hard to **make your swing soar;**

Digging in the sandbox to build your own creations;

Pushing off the ground to **raise your side of the see-saw;**

Scampering up a climbing structure and hanging upside down?

Did you realize that you were having fun, but learning too?

Play is how children interact and explore the world, and different types of play are needed to fully engage a child's social, physical, and intellectual development. - excerpt from blog of American Parks Company

There is a list of benefits to playing: improved social perception, empathy, creativity, flexibility, belly laughter, humility, sense of humor, initiative, moving on from mistakes, listening, honesty, inclusiveness, problem-solving. The National Institute for Play says "play lights up the brain."- *excerpt from Calhoun County Visitors Bureau newsletter from 10/27/22*

More info: 12 types of play & what they mean for children:

<https://www.americanparkscompany.com/.../types-of-play.../>

YOU may be able to help provide or open a door to:

grants, sponsorships, individual or business contributions or matching gifts

ALL contributions of any size are important.

Every dollar gets us closer to local kids playing and learning and whether a modest or large amount - it shows community participation and support which boosts the kids, their families, the staff, and our early childhood community.

\$ Used For Selected Playground Equipment at Two Locations:

Slides	See-saws
Climbing Structures	Sandboxes (w/ability to close top)
Water Play Features (w/lock(s))	Swings
Sensory & Musical Equipment	Seating & Tables
Mulch (for safe ground cover)	Shade Structure(s)
Cement (for equipment install)	Clean Sand and Sandbox Toys
Giant Bubble Supplies	Mats for Indoor Gym Use

To learn more...[10 Principles of Playground Design - Playground Ideas](#)

**FOR QUESTIONS RE: DONATIONS, SPONSORSHIPS OR GRANTS,
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In appreciation,

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Woodlawn Preschool offers services and programs for diverse families with 12 month olds to 12 year olds through toddler care, preschool classes, before and afterschool care, summer camps and enrichment programs.

CONTRIBUTIONS & SPONSORSHIPS MAY BE MADE VIA:

Check To: Woodlawn Preschool

Memo: Playground Equipment Campaign

Address: Woodlawn Preschool 1175 W. Territorial, Battle Creek, MI 49015

Debit/Credit Card:

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