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## CITY OF CHINO HILLS BEGINS \$1.1 MILLION RENOVATION PROJECT AT CROSSROADS PARK, FEATURING FIRST FULLY INCLUSIVE PLAYGROUND



Graphic rendering of the new Crossroads Park inclusive playground.

Chino Hills, CA – The City of Chino Hills is excited to announce a renovation project at Crossroads Park to replace the existing 20-year-old playground equipment with the City's first fully inclusive playground for people of all abilities to enjoy. Park improvements will also include the construction of accessible pathways, improved lighting, new picnic tables and benches, expansion of the existing parking lot, and resurfacing of the existing tennis courts. The park will be closed to the public throughout the project's duration beginning October 9, 2023, through January 31, 2024. Access to restrooms and tennis courts will be available.

"This initiative underscores the City's commitment to creating recreational spaces that cater to the needs of all residents, regardless of age or ability," said Chino Hills Mayor Peter Rogers. "Chino Hills is a place where all are welcomed, and we hope this new addition fosters a further sense of community where everyone can come together, play, and build lasting memories."

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The inclusive playground will feature state-of-the-art equipment designed to accommodate individuals with mobility challenges and sensory sensitivities, providing a safe and engaging environment for children and adults alike. Additionally, the park will include amenities such as adaptive rocking swings, ramps, transfer areas, and multiple audio, visual, and tactile sensory play areas, ensuring that every visitor can participate in recreational activities tailored to their unique needs.

Throughout the duration of the project the playground, gazebo, picnic areas, and parking lot will remain closed to the public. Tennis courts and restroom facilities will remain accessible from Avenida De Las Flores to minimize impacts to the community. Please be advised that during construction there will be no ADA accessible walkway to the tennis courts as access will be through the grass area. Tennis courts will be closed during the resurfacing process and those dates will be provided closer to the start of that portion of the project.

The City is investing a total of \$1.1 million into the Crossroads Park renovation project. Of the total project cost, \$125,000 was provided by a generous donation from the Chino Hills Community Foundation, with Foundation support from the Howard and Nikki Applebaum Foundation and the Jack and Gloria Kramer Family Foundation, and \$210,000 was funded through the California Department of Parks and Recreation Proposition 68 Per Capita Grant Program. The remaining \$815,000 was funded by the City's General Fund and Community Facilities District Regional Fund.

For project updates and more information, please visit <a href="www.chinohills.org/MajorConstruction">www.chinohills.org/MajorConstruction</a> or follow the City on Facebook (<a href="@@CityofChinoHills">@CityofChinoHills</a> (<a href="@@CityofChinoHills">@ChinoHills</a>). Instagram (<a href="@@CityofChinoHillsGov">@ChinoHills</a>), and X, formerly known as Twitter, (<a href="@@ChinoHills">@ChinoHills</a>). Project schedule and park closures may adjust due to weather conditions, availability of supplies, or construction delays. For questions, please contact the Public Works Department at (909) 364-2800.

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