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A New Bench for Esther Short

Parks Foundation Provides New Bench for Esther Short Park Playground

VANCOUVER, Wash. – Due to the success of the Parks Foundation’s Bench Program, a new bench and memorial marker at the playground of Esther Short Park has been provided from the foundation to Vancouver Clark Parks and Recreation department.

The new bench, dedicated to “Those Who Love Our Parks,” will provide family and friends a shady spot to relax while their children play. The bench and marker were funded through donations made specifically to Esther Short Park through the bench program.

According to Vancouver-Clark Parks Planning and Development Manager Jane Tesner Kleiner,

“Adding benches to our parks and trails to create a family-friendly environment is a big part of the success of our parks,” said Jane Tesner Kleiner, planning and development manager for Vancouver-Clark Parks. “Oftentimes, when parks and trails are built the funding isn’t available to include all the elements necessary to best serve the community. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, the Parks Foundation is able to help add these elements to our parks and trails.”

For information about the bench program and/or donating to the Parks Foundation, please contact Cheri Martin at 693-7050 or visit the website at www.parksfoundation.us.

The Parks and Recreation Foundation of Vancouver and Clark County was established in 1999 to accept and administer donations, gifts and bequests for the enrichment and enhancement of our communities’ parks, trails, and recreational programs.

The mission of the Parks Foundation is to raise funds through public and private partnerships for parks, trails, and recreational programs throughout Clark County. The Foundation is a 501 C 3 non-profit corporation and all gifts are tax deductible. The Foundation is governed by a board of directors comprised of local citizens who oversee, invest and administer donations made to the Foundation.

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