

northeast neighborhood park!



Donations can be directed to:

Yakima Valley Community Foundation
MILLER PARK IMPROVEMENT FUND
111 University Parkway, Suite 102
Yakima, WA 98901

Learn more about the Miller Park project, follow our progress, or donate at:
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Friends, neighbors, & area businesses invite you to support the...

Miller Park Improvement Project

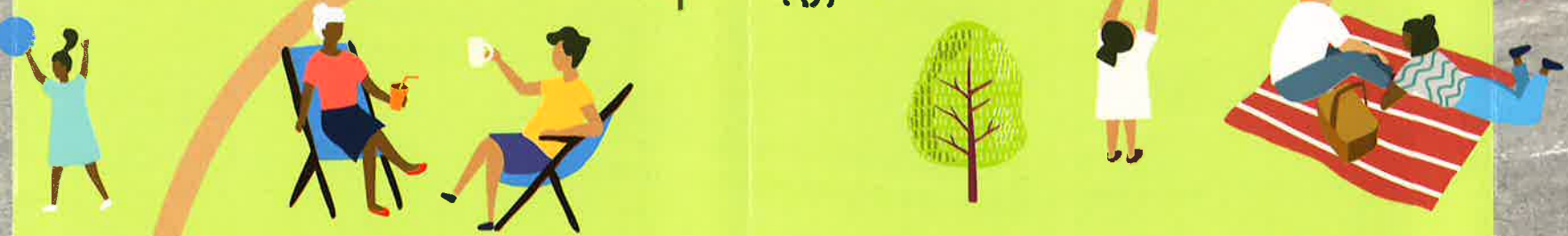
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Help restore this essential



A collaboration between the community and



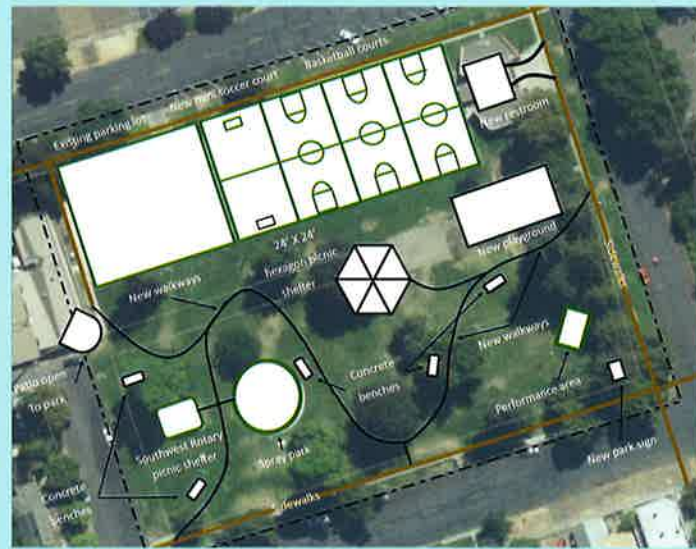
Community supporters have three main goals for Miller Park improvements...

- 1. Safety
- 2. Health & recreation
- 3. A community gathering place for education, outreach, & collaboration

Just as water, sewer, and public safety are considered essential public services...

Parks are vitally important to establishing and maintaining the quality of life in a community, ensuring the health of families and youth, and contributing to the economic and environmental well-being of a community and a region.

- National Parks & Recreation Association



Current needs:

- Resurface & update three basketball courts (constructed 2005)
- Reconstruct final court as dual-use basketball & mini soccer court
- Improve basketball court lighting
- Install restrooms (none currently – will close winter & after dark)
- Build a new park pavilion (only one to serve nearly four acres)
- Install ADA-accessible playground features (none currently)
- Purchase new park benches & tables (outdated and in poor condition)
- Construct walkways (none currently – no ADA access to amenities)
- Cover performance stage area
- Add a community information board

Located in one of Yakima’s lowest income & most diverse neighborhoods*:

- Median family income - \$30,720
- 58% of neighbors live in poverty
- 75.36% minority population

About Miller Park:

- Constructed in 1923
- 3.96 acres
- Pool removed in 2005
- Basketball courts built 2005
- Spray park constructed in 2005

*2010 census data adjusted for 2019

Miller Park was Yakima’s first designated neighborhood park, purchased and developed by the City in 1923. Located just four blocks from the heart of downtown Yakima, Miller Park is the only park serving families in this underserved, low-income neighborhood.

Despite remaining a popular destination for area families, the park amenities are outdated and in need of updating and repair. If not improved, neighboring residents and businesses fear the park will be targeted by homeless and criminal activity.

You can help preserve this essential neighborhood resource. Give today!

Meet Drew...

One of our committee members

Drew Harris grew up in this northeast neighborhood, learning to play basketball on these courts. Drew says basketball gave him focus and kept him out of trouble that was easy to find in this low-income, high-crime neighborhood. Shooting hoops at Miller Park every day and night paid off. Drew earned a basketball scholarship to Seattle University, where he received his Master’s degree in Athletic Administration and coached at Central Washington University for five years before returning to Yakima to give back to his community. Now a volunteer board member for Rod’s House, a homeless resource center for youth, Drew knows first hand the importance of community resources like Miller Park. That is why he’s passionate about seeing this park revitalized and brought back into the heart of the community.

Drew Harris
Real Estate Agent,
Heritage Moultray



Our Goal: \$400,000

“Revitalizing Miller Park as the heart of the community.”



Hazardous cracks and uneven surfaces



No ADA-Accessible play features



No covered performance area, electricity, or restrooms

