



City of Yakima

News Release

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Support Sought for Miller Park Improvements

Community members, led by Bertha Alicia Garza, have begun an effort to make improvements to Miller Park, located at 4th Street and E Street.

“We are asking the public to help us restore this essential northeast neighborhood park,” said Parks and Recreation Manager Ken Wilkinson. “Our purpose is revitalize Miller Park as the heart of the community.”

With a fundraising target of \$400,000 for improvements at Miller Park, the goals are to increase safety, health & recreation opportunities and a community gathering place for education, outreach and collaboration.

“Alone we can do little, but together we can move mountains,” said Garza.

Yakima Parks and Recreation shared the Miller Park improvement efforts with the Yakima City Council during its regular meeting on Tuesday, September 1st.

Proposed park improvements include:

- New park pavilion, benches, tables and restrooms.
- Resurfacing, striping, updating four basketball courts and improving court lighting.
- Constructing walkways and paths
- Covering the performance stage area
- Adding a community information board
- Installing a playground

“The youth and families on the east side deserve to have a safe place they can take pride in and create positive experiences,” said Drew Harris, a member of a committee formed to lead the park improvement and fundraising effort.

Donations can be sent to:

Yakima Valley Community Foundation
Miller Park Improvement Fund
111 University Parkway, Suite 102
Yakima, WA 98901

Miller Park was constructed in 1923 and sits on nearly four acres. It was Yakima’s first designated neighborhood park.

Visit <https://restoremillerpark.org/> for more about the Miller Park Improvement Project.

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