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# **News Release**

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## **Big Improvements Completed at Rosalma Park in Yakima**

Rosalma Garden Club Park, located near the southeast corner of the intersection of 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Tieton Drive, has a new look thanks to the generosity of a local developer and a building contractor.

Hogback Development and Stephens and Sons Construction teamed up to upgrade the appearance of the neighborhood park.

Work began in late October after the community partners approached the City of Yakima offering to donate labor and materials for the project.

"This is a wonderful example of making Yakima a better place to live," said Yakima Parks & Recreation Manager Ken Wilkinson. "It is another great display of a public-private partnership to improve the quality of parks in the City of Yakima."

The project took a small patch of ground, left behind by the removal of Yakima Valley Trolley tracks, and transformed it into a landscaping showcase with the installation of new trees, ground cover, basalt rocks and gravel.

The addition of concrete pathway pavers and benches, along with other enhancements, has once again turned the small park into an attractive area for visitors and for those waiting for a bus at a nearby Yakima Transit stop on Tieton Drive.

Russell Landscaping performed the installation work and Western Building Materials donated the paver bricks.

Yakima Parks & Recreation crews assisted by preparing the site for the landscaping improvements, and plan to install a drip irrigation system next spring.

The value of the improvements at Rosalma Garden Club Park is estimated at \$20,000.

