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## THE ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND PROJECT AT TWEED MEMORIAL PARK IS A 'GO'!



### Funding Announcement

In 2019, the Kiwanis Club of Tweed and the Municipality of Tweed partnered on a significant initiative to upgrade and add new equipment to the Kiwanis playground in Memorial Park – the Accessible Playground Project. We are thrilled to announce that on March 31, 2021 we received significant funding under the Canada Infrastructure Program. Infrastructure Canada has provided \$169,581, and Ontario's Ministry of Infrastructure has committed an additional \$141,176 for the Project. A total of \$310,757 in government funding for the Project today!

Fund raising began in late November 2019, and to date our community has raised \$96,742 for the Project.

With a total of \$407,499 in hand for the Accessible Playground Project, construction will begin this spring. The removal of the existing playground equipment will begin in the very near future.

A sincere thank you to all of the community donors, the governments of Canada and Ontario, and to the Playground Committee (with representatives from the Kiwanis Club of Tweed and the Municipality of Tweed) that have made the Accessible Playground Project a reality!

### What is the Accessible Playground Project about?

The Playground will include a variety of equipment that specializes in engaging sensory, motor, cognitive and social skills: a spinner, swings, panels, slides, ladders and a zipline specifically designed to include those using wheelchairs or other mobility aids. The Project involves improving general playground equipment, and rubber surfaces will be used in various locations within the playground. All children will have the opportunity to play and enjoy the Playground in the heart of the Village.

