



## Santa Cruz County Commission on Disabilities

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Re: Support for Jade Street Universally Accessible Playground Project

Dear Chair Friend and Members of the Board,

The purpose of this letter is to communicate the *Santa Cruz County Commission on Disabilities'* whole-hearted support for the Jade Street Universally Accessible Playground Project and to recommend that the Board formally support the project as well.

As advocates for persons with disabilities within our community, we believe that this project has the potential to create a tremendous impact on the lives of children and families who live with disabilities. Every child, regardless of ability or disability, deserves to play, socialize, and explore in a safe, accessible, and inclusive environment. The Jade Street Accessible Playground Project aligns perfectly with this belief and provides an opportunity to make a significant, positive difference.

We appreciate that the Jade Street Universally Accessible Playground Project plans to include adaptive play equipment, fully accessible pathways, and sensory-friendly areas, in consideration of diverse needs. These elements would not only allow children with mobility limitations, sensory processing differences, and other disabilities to fully participate, but would also promote understanding and inclusivity among all children.

We would like to request that the Board of Supervisors join us in extending their support for this transformative project by formally endorsing the Jade Street Universally Accessible Playground Project. Your endorsement could significantly impact the success of the project's fundraising efforts and help to make this vision a reality. We strongly believe that with your support, this project stands a better chance of success, and we appreciate your consideration on behalf of the disabilities community in Santa Cruz County.

Respectfully,

  
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David Molina  
Commission on Disabilities Co-Chair

cc: **Capitola City Council**  
Jessica Kahn, City of Capitola Public Works Director  
Terry Corwin, County Park Friends Board Chair