Grand opening Sunday for Atchison playground

(KAIR)--A grand opening for Atchison's inclusive playground is planned for this upcoming weekend.

That's according to a news release issued by the City of Atchison.

The inclusive playground is located at Atchison's Jackson Park.

The Sunday afternoon ceremony, set for 4:00, is being hosted by the Atchison Park and Forestry Board in cooperation with Live Well, Live Atchison.

Construction on the inclusive playground began late last year, following approval by the Atchison City Commission in August, 2018. It opened for use in February.

Several years in the making prior to the Commission approval, the playground was made possible by grants and donations from Live Well, Live Atchison, Westar Energy and the Courtney S. Turner Charitable Trust, John H. Mize Jr. and Bank of America, N.A., Trustees.

The playground was designed to remove many of the physical and cognitive barriers that prevent children of different abilities from playing together at the same facilty.

According to past information provided by the City, the playground features a wheelchair accessible composite structure, a multiple occupant saucer swing, a merry-go-round, musical instruments, and a tunnel mound.

The public is invited to attend the ribbon cutting, where snacks and drinks will be available.

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