





# Let's Build a Playground Together!

We have a vision of a community play space where children of all abilities can learn, play, and let their imaginations run wild together in a side-by-side environment. James Ormond Tomb Park, located on the historic “Loop,” was recently given to us to execute this vision!

Ormond Tomb Park is a beautiful 9-acre park with great potential but has equipment that is not all-inclusive and is in desperate need of replacement. This is where we come in and you can help us! More than just a playground, this project will be a community gathering space for children of all abilities to enjoy and grow together.

We are working with Leathers and Associates, which specializes in community-built playgrounds that exceed Americans with Disabilities Act. Leaving the vision/design of the playground to the children in our community who will be using it, our goal is to have a space that is truly what the community needs and desires.



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## Playground



### Playground ideas & goals

Leveraging the expertise of [Leathers and Associates](#), which specializes in community-built playgrounds that exceed the Americans with Disabilities Act, our goal is to bring the first fully all-inclusive playground to Volusia County. Playgrounds designed by Leathers allow children of all levels of mobility to access all areas of the playground, including elevated sections. With the goal of parallel play in mind, equipment will be grouped with different levels of difficulty and/or access capabilities together so that children of different abilities can play side-by-side.

The vision/design of the playground will be guided by the children in our community who will be using it, ensuring that it will provide what the community wants/needs. All equipment will be built using a combination of recycled plastic and structural plastic that will last for decades to come for future generations to enjoy.



## Nature



### Native planting

Nature will play a large roll in the beautification of the park. Our hope is to reintroduce native plants to the area and support our county’s initiative “Regrow the Loop”. We want to support the idea of plant and animal growth, increase important pollinators, and to remove invasive species.



## Sensory

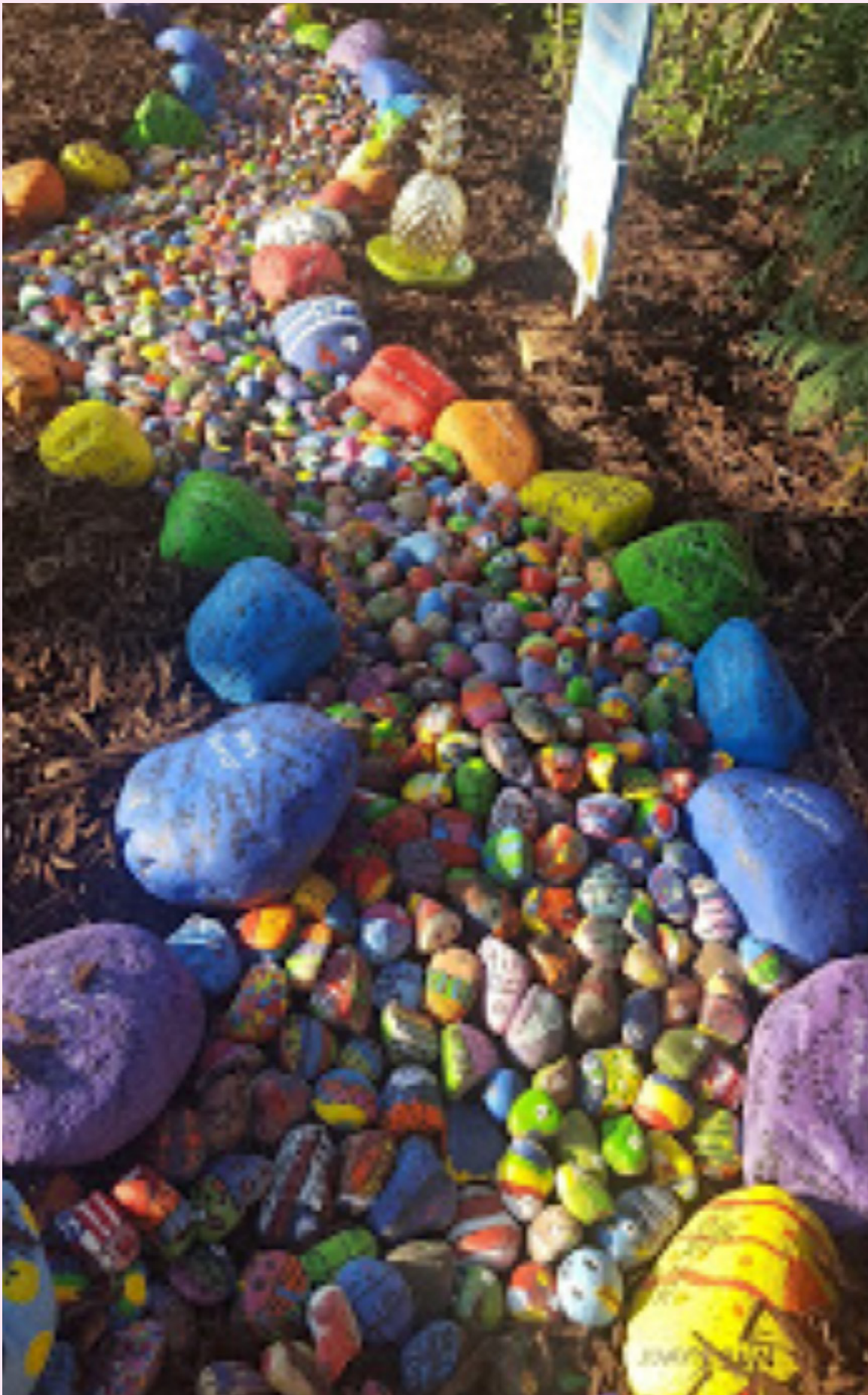


## Sensory trail

Alongside Leathers, we believe in providing play opportunities for all children. Our new playground will promote shoulder-to-shoulder play for children of all abilities as well as trail stations equipped to help children of all ages learn and have fun.



Sensory



*Test your balance on the wooden beam.*

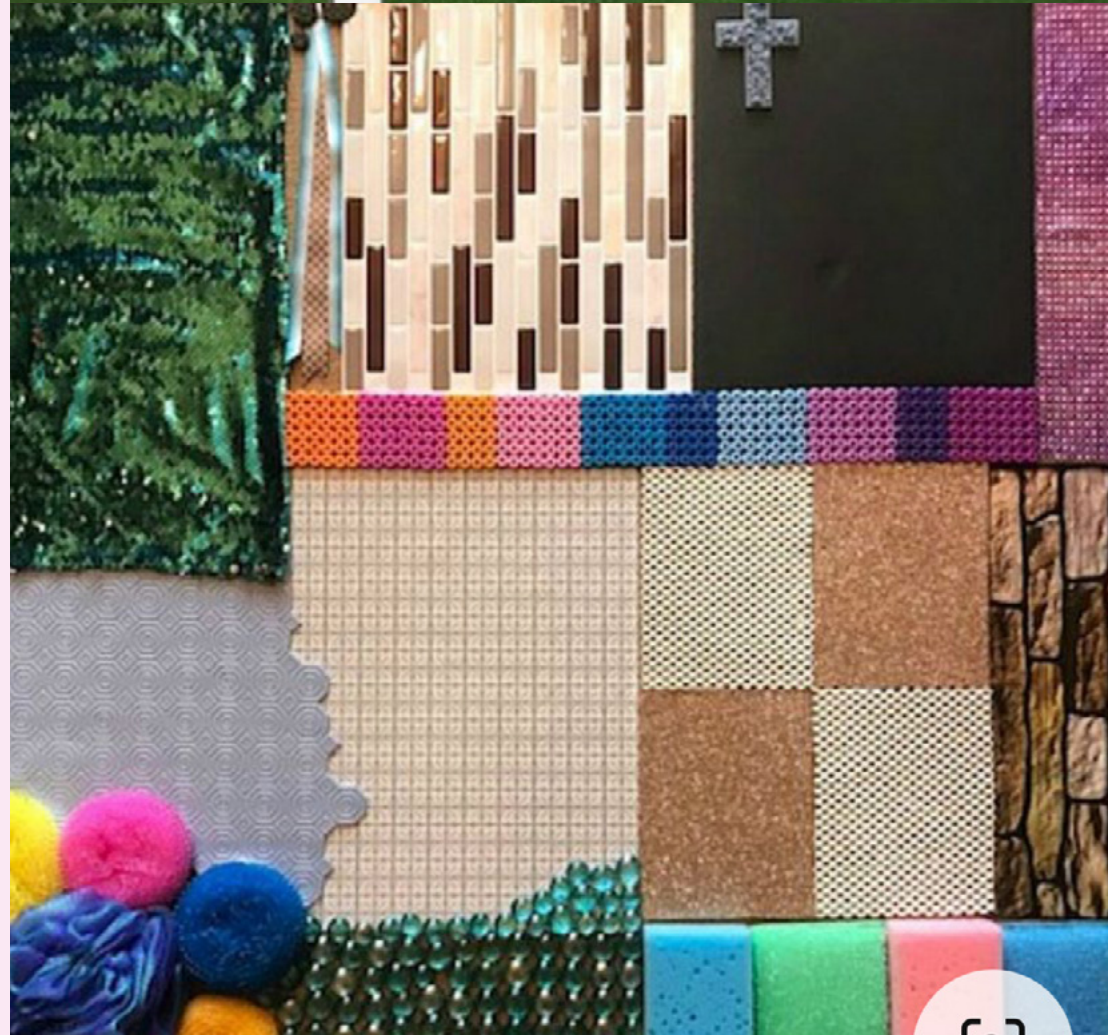




## Sensory



*Spin the giant color wheel sandwiched between a series of gears and marbles.*



## Sensory play

To accompany sensory trails for learning, we want to include sensory play stations for the children to enjoy. Such ideas are textured walls, interlocking and spinning gears and possible textured tunnels as seen to the left.



## Education



## Play-to-learn

We want to play, but adding in the ability to learn is a win for everyone. At our park, we want to introduce areas where kids can learn about the history of Ormond Beach, play an instrument, read a book or paint a rock.



# Education





# We want it all for you!

## All-inclusive playground space

- sensory walls/play spaces
- sun shades
- side-by-side play equipment
- recycled materials
- community build
- buddy benches

## Safe Space for Native Wildlife and Plants

- participating in regrow the loop initiative
- native plants along sensory trail to attract native pollinators/wildlife
- remove invasive species of plants

## Historical Location

- clean-up of tomb and creation of sitting area around site
- learning stations associated with tomb

## Sensory Trail

- clean up of existing trail (possible add'l clearing)
- add sensory elements/stations to trail for children
- include planting of native plants along trail and surrounding area (including removal of invasive species) – info signage for plants

## Improved Community gathering space (Request for application of money from County)

- improvements to restroom facility to allow for changing stations for not just babies, but special needs children
- addition of grills/water fountains to encourage use of pavilion
- additional picnic area
- improvements to parking lot to correct current issues that prevent cars from being able to drive in it safely

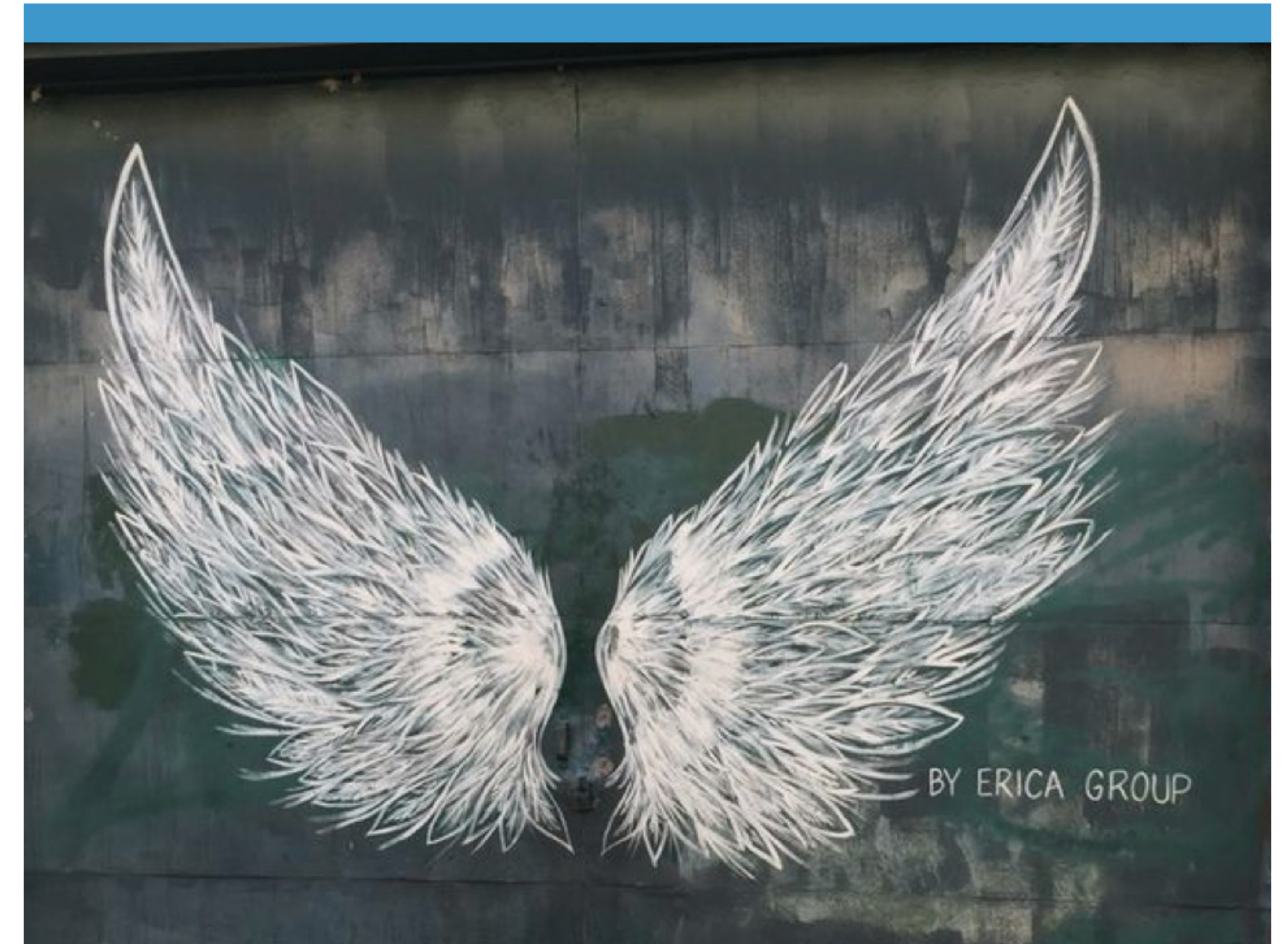
## Future Usages of land

- do not remove trees
- possible obstacle/ropes course amongst trees

## Angel Wing Photography wall in memory of Kiran Bleu (closer to road frontage)

## Active Play Areas

- obstacle courses
- rope courses
- general play areas







This paint-free activity lets them create pictures with water on framed slate.



from Pinterest





# We need your support!

Help us make this vision a reality for all children.

Although James Ormond Tomb Park is a county-owned park, the county isn't directly involved with the fundraising for the playground. Instead, the all-volunteer team is committed to building an exciting new venue for children and family entertainment, exercise, and education right here in Volusia County. That means 100% of all fundraising dollars go directly toward the playground project. This will be a huge undertaking and will be organized and constructed all by volunteers. Our goal is to involve the entire community and make this YOUR space!

If you are interested in volunteering, donating tools/equipment/supplies, or learning more about our efforts, please visit the links below:

**[volunteer \(committee, building team, artwork team, hospitality\)](#)**

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