

Drew Park Master Community Development Plan

Arlington County is expanding Drew Park along South Kenmore Street to create a larger, more connected community space. The expanded park will unite the existing park land with land acquired from the YMCA, Arlington Public Schools, and former duplex sites. These areas will form one cohesive community space and park.

Drew Sports & Learning Center Complex

This space should further be expanded to connect to the Veterans Memorial YMCA Pool that is owned by Macedonia Baptist Church. This expansion could become a dynamic community partnership that creates a true park, community center and school space that can be shared by all. Acquiring this facility will allow our community to expand with the following:

- Separate community center with recreation and programming for youth and teens
- A Senior Center that helps our elderly to age in place with services and resources
- A community clinic to provide mental health and wellness care
- Public restroom for use in the evenings and on weekends
- A banquet hall for use by our community, churches and others for social engagements like weddings, family reunions and celebrations
- Expanded parking for the school, church and for community use
- Childcare program for 3 yr olds at the school
- Saturday Academy and Workforce Development Program
- Expand our community gardening program to include our existing orchard, school garden and community garden by adding an edible garden park on the school and community center grounds with walking trails, seating and picnic shelters for family events
- Outdoor lighting for the area and the field for soccer, football, baseball and basketball use

- Weekend sports tournaments indoors and outdoors.
- County operated indoor/outdoor swimming pool and Sprayparks
- Gymnastics and Aquatics Program to relieve the waiting list in County

Through this master planning process, the County and community will work together to:

- Assess existing amenities and potential public space uses.
- Create safe pedestrian access into and through the park.
- Address topographic changes across the site.
- Develop pedestrian-friendly solutions for the surrounding area.

Expanded Visioning Plan

Acquisition of 4 properties between Family Life Center and Drew Open space on 22nd St park area to complete and realize this whole plan.

Potential Funding & Development Sources

Park Master Plans Program Bonds

Capital Improvements Plan

Low Income tax Credits

Bond referendum on the Ballot

State Funding Earmarks used by Congress

Community Land Lease of Property from Macedonia Baptist Church by the County

Community Partnership with County and Developers

Capital Campaigns

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