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Bear Branch Playground Fundraising Campaign Nears Conclusion

As 2016 comes to a close, the fundraising campaign for the new nature themed playground at Bear Branch Nature Center is nearing its goal of \$150,000 with a current balance of just over \$146,000 in public and donated funding. The campaign's very first donation was received from a young child who donated money they received from the tooth fairy to support this project. The County Commissioners provided \$116,700 through the County Budget, supported by Maryland's Program Open Space.

Additional donations have been received from local residents, nature center members, businesses and the Friends of Hashawha Bear Branch Advisory Council. The fundraising campaign will remain open through December 31, 2016 and the playground equipment will be purchased and installed in the spring of 2017.

For those who wish to make a year-end tax deductible donation to the Park Legacy Fund for the new Bear Branch Nature Center playground, please call 410-386-2103 or donate online at ccrecpark.org

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