



**Independence for People with Disabilities**

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December 5, 2008

Gary Behlmann  
Accessible Play, Inc.  
845 Mark Twain Drive  
Florissant, MO 63031

Dear Mr. Behlmann:

Paraquad encourages the community to support Accessible Play, Inc. and their construction of Florissant's first accessible playground - a playground where children of all abilities can play side by side benefits not only the kids and their families but also our community-at-large.

Since 1970, Paraquad's mission to empower people with disabilities to increase their independence through choice and opportunity has never wavered. We believe that engaging youth in safe and nurturing activities are key components of positive youth development. Our programs provide youth a supportive environment to foster social relationships, develop knowledge and life skills, promote community involvement and enhance youth's ability to live independently. A playground where any child can play fosters this philosophy. It leads to a community in which people with disabilities can live with choice and opportunity to live as independently as possible.

Paraquad is pleased to support this project. It cannot be accomplished without the volunteers who are working diligently to bring this project to fruition and the support of our community. The community's support of this project will benefit families for years to come.

Sincerely,

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