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COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION FUNDS NORTH PHOENIX PARK IMPROVEMENTS

Phoenix Cashman Park, 22222 N. 44th St., will be getting a big facelift this spring thanks to a \$500,000 contribution from the Desert Ridge Community Association. The community will kickoff the project with a groundbreaking celebration May 28 at 9 a.m.

"This is an example of the kind of positive solutions that can be fostered through publicprivate partnerships," said Vice Mayor Waring. "I applaud the leadership of the Desert Ridge Community Association for putting our children first.

The donation will fund a new playground, fitness/workout stations and improvements to the park's irrigation system. Crews will begin the work this spring with anticipated completion by late summer or early fall.

"The Desert Ridge community is a wonderful place to live and Cashman Park at Desert Ridge is integral to the quality of life that residents sought when moving here," said resident Reginald Younger Jr., vice president of the Desert Ridge Community Association and chairman of the Cashman Park Exploratory Committee. "Keeping the park beautiful and updating these features will cement its central role in the life of Desert Ridge for years to come. The committee and its partners are proud to collaborate with the city of Phoenix on this wonderful project."

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The 10-acre park, built in 1996, also has several picnic ramadas, with grills, lighted basketball courts, two lighted sand volleyball courts, a multi-purpose field, restrooms and a drinking fountain.

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