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Play together Be positive Play safely

Be helpful

Pretend, create

Observe

Be curious

Ask questions

Celebrate discoveries

Outdoor Play Oasis

An outreach initiative of



In collaboration with



An enriching outdoor refuge where meaningful, memorable intergenerational interactions and joyful learning can happen every day through creative play and exploration.

This Oasis, in the heart of Hyannis, is designed to encourage exploration, creative expression and social connections through outdoor musical instruments, building materials and play props to inspire the imagination.

LOCATION

In the heart of Main Street Hyannis

EASY TO ACCESS

Walk, bike, car, bus, boat or train

FREE TO ALL

Accessible, outdoor community space for all



Musical Instruments



- **Play-Based Learning**
- **Family Wellness**
- **Inclusive**
- **Peaceful Reflection**
- **Accessible to All**
- Creativity
- **Diversity**
- Music
- **Arts**
- **Theater**
- **Horticultural**
- **Imagination**



Log Tunnel



Play Kitchen

The Oasis



The planned arbor swing, tree bench, labyrinth and garden benches will offer spots for peaceful, quiet moments observing, reading, reflection and conversation.









Additional elements:

Blackboard, ball run and art work displays along the back brick wall; log seating, benches, a bucket scale, garden areas, and creative building art materials.

Communal tables will offer a place for eating, playing games, creating and connecting with others.



"Secret garden" features like this stick frame entrance to the play kitchen will surely spark imagination and joyful play. The stage will not only inspire spontaneous plays, it will also be a stage for community talks, storytelling, musical and theater performances. Inclusive programming, for all ages, will embrace the diverse cultures and ethnicities of Cape residents and visitors.

It Takes A Team

The "Outdoor Play Oasis" collaborative team of Cape Cod Toy Library and Hyannis Public Library, includes town government leaders, businesses, non-profits, community and civic service organizations, Architect, Landscape Architect, Building Contractor as well as a diverse group of volunteers.

All are committed to creating a safe, engaging, inclusive community space that welcomes all to play, imagine and create as well as to connect with others.





The Location

The Outdoor Play Oasis will be centrally located in the heart of Main Street, Hyannis in the backyard Hyannis Public Library.

Hyannis - The central hub of Cape Cod, MA

Hyannis Public Library - Location of the proposed Outdoor Play Oasis is at the center of Main Street Hyannis, surrounded by retail shops, restaurants, outdoor cafes and ice cream shops. Walking distance to the regional transportation station, town government offices, post office, bank, HyART Campus, JFK Museum, Cape Cod Maritime Museum,

Zion Union Heritage Museum, High Schools, Community Center, Hyannis Harbor and Hyannis Cruise and Ferry Terminal, Cape Cod Hospital as well as community service and social service organizations.





What the community is saying:

"The proposed Outdoor Play Oasis, based on the inclusive and educational programs of the Cape Cod Toy Library and Hyannis Public Library, meets a need in our community precisely. It will provide a safe, inspiring place to welcome families to the Main Street community. The design provides for a multitude of opportunities for play that encourages connection to the unique nature of Cape Cod. It will be a safe space for all ages and a resource for teaching.

- Mary-Ann Agresti AIA, The Design Initiative, Inc.

"This concept is so important to our community, that Main Street be a family friendly destination, that a playground is on the top 5 Best Practice goals for Hyannis Main Street BID. The more activity on the Hyannis Main Street, the more people that will come to downtown Hyannis year round." - Elizabeth Wurfbain, Hyannis Main Street

Business Improvement District

" We often talk about how much we miss the Cape Cod Toy Library! It was a refuge in the all too frequently over stimulating world of children's play places. A project like this would provide a safe and fun place for children to meet in the community and play. The location is perfect. This project would get more people to Main Street and have a positive impact for children in Hyannis and on Cape Cod."

- Joe Kampschmidt & Karen Cahill, Hyannis resident parents

"As a neighboring business owner with an artist studio and gallery, I am extraordinarily impressed with the vision for this outdoor oasis... This project would give families an incredible place to play, learn, and interact with each other." -Anne Tochka. Guyer Barn Coordinator & Artist in Residence

"Having this play space located in Hyannis will provide a year-round oasis for ALL children. Working at the hospital and seeing firsthand the challenges we all have faced these last 2 years and the strong impact this has had on our youth, I firmly believe that this Play Space is one of the solutions. The location is ideal in providing access to our diverse and multilingual populations. This play space will not only enhance the appeal of downtown Hyannis, but it will provide year-round families as well as tourists with access to safe and engaging outdoor space to play."

- Cecilia Plelan Stiles, Senior Manager of Interpreter Services for Cape Cod Healthcare

"The proposed play space by the Cape Cod Toy Library will not only provide a distinctive and innovative experience for children, but it will also provide the community with a space for connection and bring more people downtown to patronize our local businesses. I am incredibly excited by the prospect of bringing an enriching and engaging not just to Main Street, but to the backyard of our historic and treasured local library."

- Amanda Converse, EO/co-founder Love Live Local

"I support this proposal because, although Hyannis is a large rural area, we have very few safe spaces where children and their parents can go to 'discover' magical places that inspire thought and creativity and the love of the outdoors. This collaboration is a fabulous way to form a vital service to the community where the focus is on children's formative education, play, and behaviors. Parents are longing for such a place to bring their babies and children." - Robin L. Hayward, Director, A Baby Center, The Cape and Islands only Diaper Bank

"The proposed project by the CCTL to design an engaging, year-round, outdoor community play space as an oasis in the center of downtown Hyannis at the Hyannis Public Library is of vital importance to the ongoing efforts of a vibrant, year-round, community. A welcoming, inclusive and accessible outdoor creative space to stimulate community connection and foster meaningful experiences. - Mark Ells, Town Manager - Town of **Barnstable**

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