## Lucas and Friends Backyard Adventures

A UNIVERSALLY ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND PROJECT



## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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Where limitations are forgotten, and differences are celebrated

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#### To be be located at Robert J. Miget Memorial Park on French Lane in Perryville, MO. Lucas and Friends Backyard Adventures will be an Unlimited Play inclusive playground inviting all to come and play! A place where limitations are forgotten and differences are celebrated!



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## The Vision

Lucas, a highly observant boy with high functioning autism, quickly noticed one of his class members rarely joined the class outside for recess. Once there, he often only watched as everyone else played. Lucas could not understand why anyone would choose to skip the best part of any 3rd graders day, RECESS!

After learning from his classmate how difficult it was to even get to the

playground and once there he could only watch as everyone else played, Lucas made it his mission to give his new friend the chance to play.

After meeting with his teacher, the principle, the Mayor and the City Council, Lucas and Friends Backyard Adventures has been approved and with your help will become a place where no one is left only watching from the sidelines. Where limitations are forgotten and differences are celebrated!



## Why do Playgrounds Matter?

Play is a critical part of the social, emotional, cognitive and physical development of every child. Unfortunately, the vast majority of playgrounds deny children with disabilities and critical illnesses the opportunity for exercise, entertainment, and social interactions which other children enjoy. In fact, only a small percentage of fully accessible playgrounds exist within our nation and these are insufficient to serve 43 million Americans with disabilities.

An **Inclusive Playground** is specifically designed to remove physical and social barriers so ALL children, with and without disabilities and/or critical illnesses, can play side by side with their peers and families.





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# YOUR COMMUNITY'S Unlimited Play Playground

- Safe, smooth, spongy surfacing
- Ramps from bottom to top
- Transfer stations throughout
- Specialized seating and handholds
- Slanted/graduated climbing elements
- High back swings
- Saucer swings

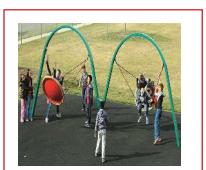
- Stainless steel and molded slides
- Musical elements
- Parallel play
- Lots of shade
- Fun, educational play panels
- And much more!

## Join us in the efforts to build this universally accessible playground.

Your generous support will enable ALL children and caregivers of all abilities the opportunity to experience the joys and benefits of play. This destination playground will truly impact ten thousand people each year.



Clubhouse \$50,000



Double Dish Swing \$45,000



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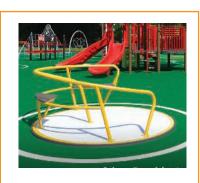
Zip Line \$30,000



Swingset \$25,000



Rotating Dish \$25,000



Spinme \$20,000



Rev Spinner

\$15,000



Tri Rock Challenge \$12,000



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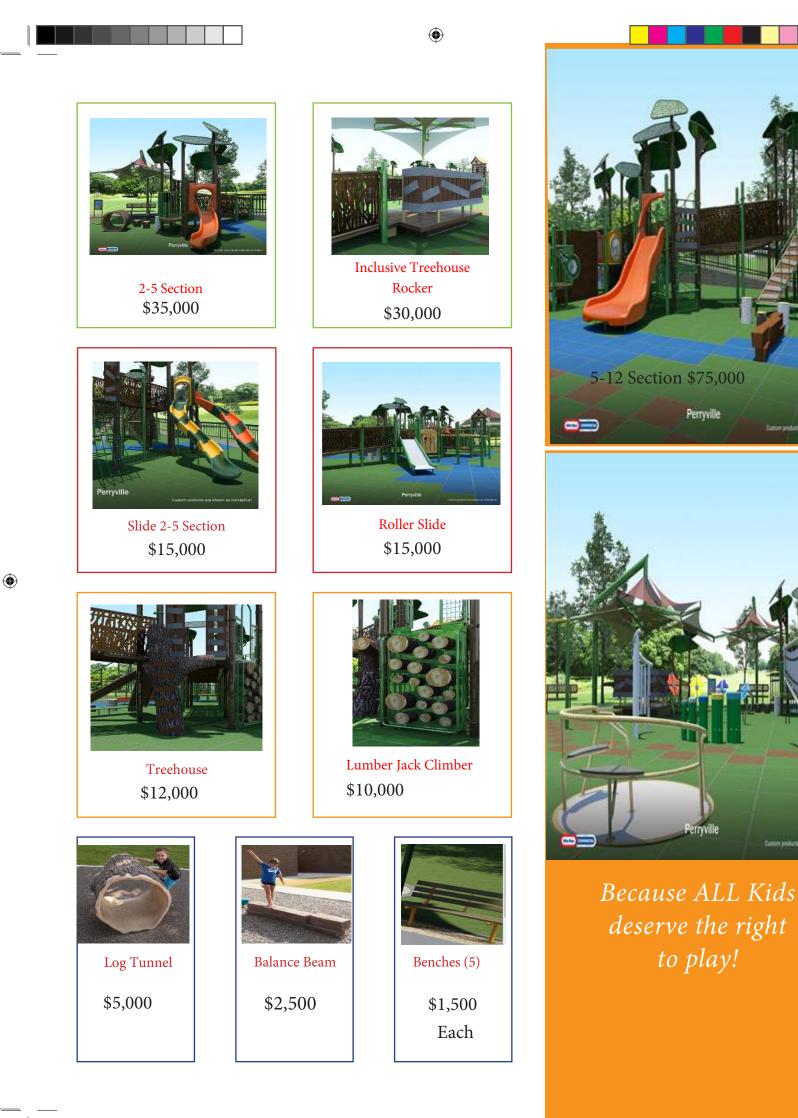
Vine Climber \$7,500

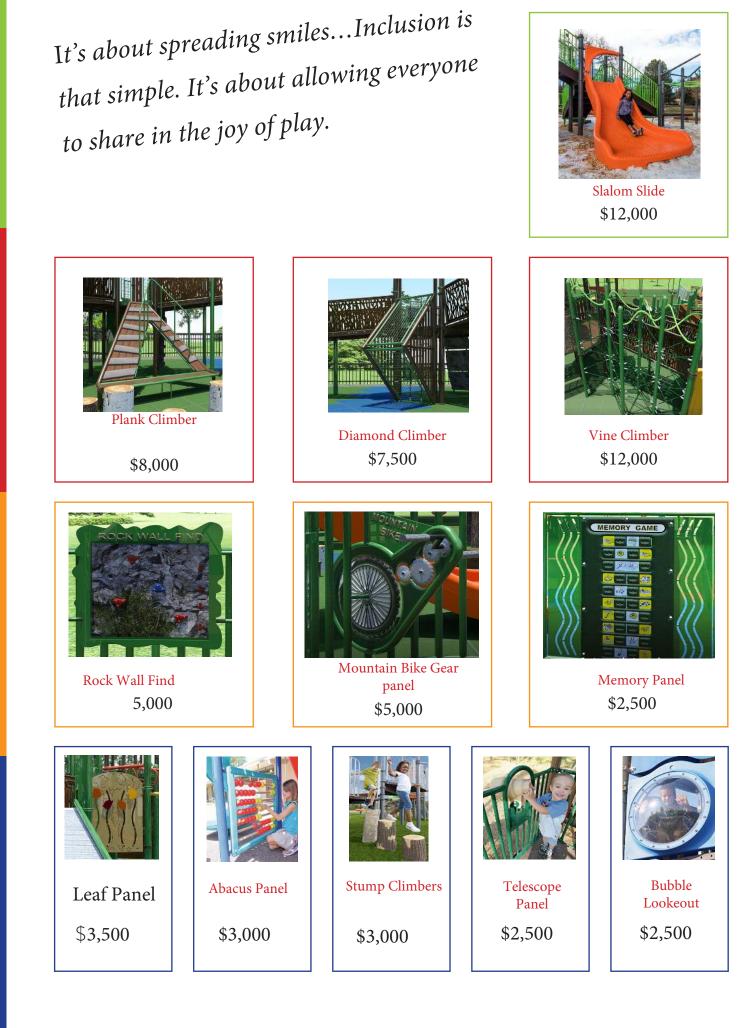
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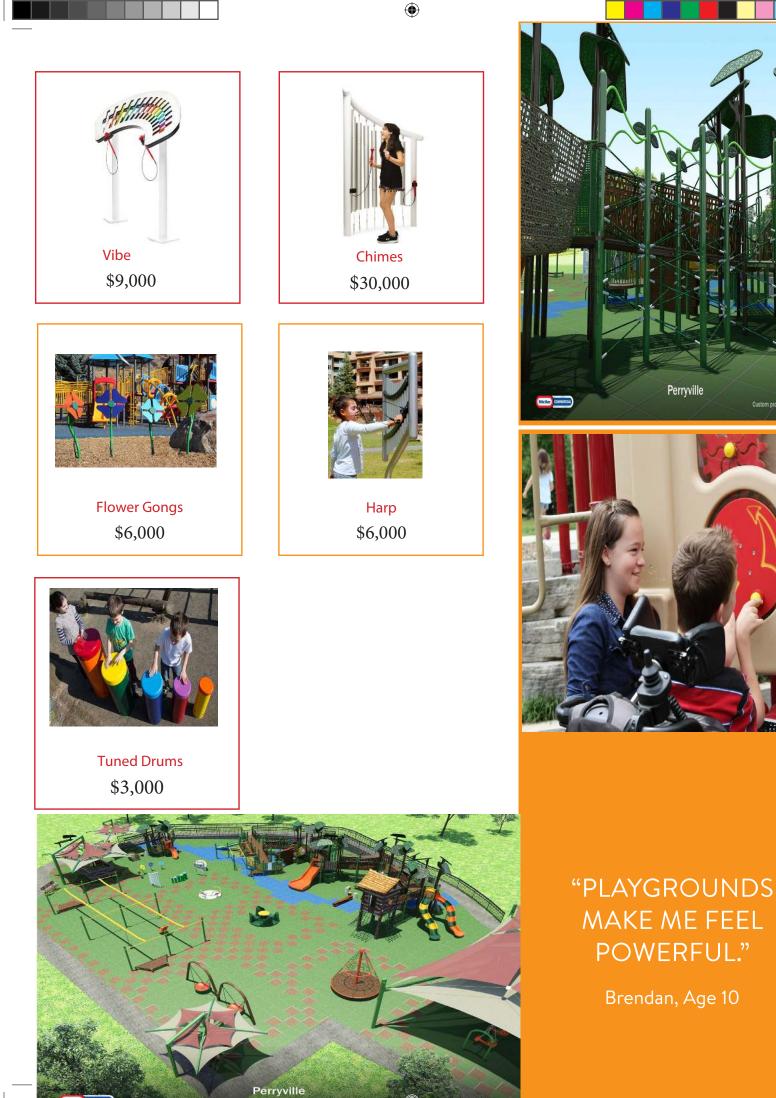
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## Who is Unlimited Play?

Unlimited Play is an award winning nonprofit organization that builds universally inclusive playgrounds to promote health and wellness and change communities by providing freedom of play for ALL children. The transformational power of an inclusive playground brings kids and adults of all abilities together to play and learn from each other.

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Unlimited Play is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that helps to plan, design and build fully accessible playgrounds. Unlimited Play playgrounds allow all children – regardless of their abilities – to play together. A valuable resource in our community, Unlimited Play has unique expertise in this area and is available to assist in the development of inclusive playgrounds that promote dignity, understanding and respect among children. In 2016 Little Tikes Commercial and Unlimited Play announced a partnership to help provide the magic of outdoor play to children of all abilities.





New Partners in Inclusive Play

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From individuals making donations, businesses sponsoring playground equipment, corporations contributing grants and volunteers offering gifts of time, we welcome your involvement.

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### Here's How You Can Help

- Make a monetary donation using the form on the back of this booklet.
- Donate your time to a fundraising event or Community Build Day. Complete and mail the contact information on the back of this booklet to be contacted about upcoming volunteer opportunities.
- Donate goods/services such as concrete, fencing, shrubs, etc. Complete and mail the contact information on the back of this booklet, noting what goods/services you would like to donate.



TOGETHER WE CAN CREATE YOUR DESTINATION PLAYGROUND

## UNLIMITED PLAY'S INSPIRATION Giving The Gift Of Play

Three-year-old Zachary Blakemore provided the original

inspiration behind Unlimited Play. Zachary suffers from a rare genetic central nervous system disease (Pelizaeus Merzbacher Disease) that confines him to a wheelchair or assistive walking device. But like all children, Zachary loves to play.

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When his mother Natalie would take Zachary to the park to play, the playground would only emphasize his limitations. And even more frustrating was the fact that the playground's barriers that stopped him from playing also prevented him from interacting with the other children.

But after visiting an accessible playground while traveling to the east coast, Zachary's parents Natalie and Todd began to dream of creating an accessible playground in Zachary's hometown – and of the day when playgrounds like this would exist for children everywhere. They teamed with Zachary's pediatric speech therapist, and Unlimited Play was born in 2003.

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## UNLIMITED PLAY'S EFFECT Who We Impact

**Children and Families:** Unlimited Play playgrounds are not just designed for children with disabilities and/or life critical illnesses. Every child needs to play and every caregiver needs to experience playing alongside their children.

Unlimited Playgrounds not only allow children with disabilities the right to play, but also parents and caregivers with disabilities, including our Veterans.

**Entire Communities:** Because Unlimited Play is rooted in a Community Engagement model, people from across the community get involved with the project, many from start to finish. Awareness is spread about the value of accessibility, inclusivity, and the benefits of free play and a healthy and active lifestyle.

Community members such as businesses, governmental organizations, foundations, schools, places of worship, service clubs, and other organizations invest their time and treasure into these playgrounds. Philanthropic gifts yield great reward knowing that tens of thousands of children and families have free access to play for years to come.

**Commerce:** Research supports that people, organizations and even therapy professionals travel over an hour to experience an Unlimited Play playground. Our destination playgrounds bring commerce to communities as playground guests shop and dine at nearby places.

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#### Step 1: Complete Donor/Volunteer Information: (please print)

Company/Organization (if applies):		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone: () E-mail:		

#### Step 2: Choose Your Donation

#### Donor Wall

Leave a legacy... Put your name on our playground! Donor Wall Sponsorships are \$200. The donor wall will be located at Pirate Park.

YOUR DONOR WALL INSCRIPTION:

Limited to 20 characters (spaces are considered a character)

#### Equipment Sponsorship

Please note that item quantities are limited and may no longer be available. Unlimited Play will confirm sponsorship upon receipt of both this application and the gift amount. Equipment may not be identical to photos in this catalog (color variance, etc.) Sign size and color may vary and be placed either on or near the piece of equipment in compliance with safety standards.

Unlimited Play reserves the right to reject sponsorships.

Unlimited Play is is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization which makes your donation tax deductible

#### SELECT EQUIPMENT ITEM FROM THIS CATALOG: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Step 3: Payment

**PAYMENT METHOD** Credit Card Check Pay Online at www.unlimitedplay.org

Name on Credit Card:

Amount to Charge to Card: \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Card No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Card Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: Unlimited Play, 5988 Mid Rivers Mall Drive, St. Peters MO, 63304 Please write Pirate Park in memo line

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