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City of Carson Receives \$1.25 Million Grant to Build Playground for Children with All Abilities



children of all abilities," said City of Carson Mayor. "The City currently does not have a playground with equipment that children with disabilities can easily access. Thanks to the Tesoro Charitable Foundation, this grant will fill this gap in our park amenities, and as Carson receives the future progress payments of the \$1.25 million dollar grant to complete this project, we say thank you to the Tesoro Charitable Foundation," added the Mayor.

Tesoro Corporation launched the Tesoro Foundation in 2014. The Tesoro Foundation serves as the cornerstone of Tesoro's community investment strategy and plays a crucial role in advancing the Company's philanthropic mission to create cleaner, safer, well-educated communities where it operates.

On April 8, 2017, the children of Carson that play at Dolphin Park got more than the customary pancake breakfast provided on Opening Day for Baseball, Softball, and T-Ball. Dolphin Park also received a \$1.25 million dollar grant to design, construct and install playground equipment specifically for children with all abilities on this most unordinary day. Through a generous grant from the Tesoro Charitable Foundation, the City of Carson's Parks and Recreation Department was presented with the first installment check in the amount of \$250,000 at a ceremony held at Dolphin Park in April. "I hope that this project will encourage all children, regardless of their abilities, to spend quality time in this park environment as the equipment is designed to unite

Dolphin Park is a 12-acre park that includes a playground, ball fields, multipurpose rooms, and open space, and is one of 13 parks in Carson. The facility restrooms are ADA compliant, access paths are in place and plenty of parking is available for specialized vehicles and school buses.

The playground equipment will consist of swings and ground level play structures. The City of Carson will be working with Shane's Inspiration, a non-profit organization that works with communities to create inclusive playgrounds and programs that unite children of all abilities. Shane's Inspiration will assist with the design and development of the playground.



"At Tesoro, we are committed to collaborating with our stakeholders to create cleaner, safer, well-educated communities where we operate," said Stephen Konig, Director of CA Government and Public Affairs for Tesoro. "We are proud to have partnered with the City on this initiative and for the opportunity to help make this community a more inclusive place to live, work and play." ■