



Trust for Public Land  
15 SW Colorado Ave., Ste 100  
Bend, OR 97702

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RE: Riddle Schoolyard Project

Dear Partners at Trust for Public Land,

We are thrilled to be able to offer our enthusiastic support along with our grant of \$100,000 for the Riddle Schoolyard Project. We understand that the Riddle School District has partnered with you all and numerous local organizations to design and build a healthy and accessible schoolyard not only for students but the entire community. We recognize the value of places to play during school hours and places for communities to recreate in off-hours as an essential part of building communities – both rural and urban.

We understand there are still funds that need to be secured to make this project a reality for the rural community of Riddle. We appreciate that funds raised from a variety of sources will be leveraged against each other to support this community driven project.

Roundhouse Foundation values the investment in projects like these because an investment in our children is an investment in our rural community, culture and future.

In the study *The importance of outdoor play for young children's healthy development* found that play promotes cognitive, physical, social, and emotional well-being, offering the necessary conditions for children to thrive and learn. Through play, the child can experiment, solve problems, think creatively, cooperate with others, etc., gaining a deeper knowledge about his/herself and the world.

Roundhouse Foundation believes in the power of third spaces to build community. Studies have shown close to home opportunities for active recreation, places to relax in nature and places for multi-generational community members to gather strengthens social relationships and contributes positively to mental and physical health outcomes.

Thank you for the opportunity to continue to support this project and the community of Riddle.



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