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## **Ventureland Playground Receives Federal Funding**

On July 19, the Honourable Harjit S. Sajjan, Minister of International Development and Minister responsible for the Pacific Economic Development Agency of Canada (PacifiCan) announced \$300,000 in funding for the City of Parksville. This funding will support continued accessibility upgrades to the Lions Ventureland Playground in the Parksville Community Park.

The grant application was submitted in July 2021 and along with a \$100,000 contribution by the City to the project, we have an opportunity to continue the upgrades to the playground with the next phase of pour-in-place rubber surfacing and associated works. This rubber surfacing is wheelchair accessible, provides consistent impact absorbing qualities and lower maintenance costs over the long term.

## Quote Mayor Ed Mayne,

"The Lions Ventureland Playground is a popular family destination and one of the best playgrounds in Central Vancouver Island. We appreciate the funding grant from the Canadian Community Revitalization Fund which provides an opportunity for the City to facilitate continued upgrades in the playground and allow children of all abilities to enjoy the space."

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