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FOR INFORMATION CALL

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MEDIA ADVISORY

Resident input sought on MKE Plays replacement of burned playground

Tomorrow night, residents can offer their suggestions for the **MKE Plays**-funded replacement of a city-owned playground that was destroyed last summer by a fire near the corner of N. Buffum Street and E. Center Street, **Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs** said. A meeting at the St. Marcus North Campus, **2669 N. Richards St.** on Thursday night, **December 17th, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.**, is designed to solicit residents' input.

The play area will be just the latest to benefit from MKE Plays, a "bottom-up, community-centered approach" to replacing aging or obsolete equipment in city-owned play areas. The initiative has raised \$1 million in private funding to replace playground equipment with input from local residents, who help determine how parks should be designed so it complements neighborhood identity.

As part of the initiative, the Department of Public Works assessed dozens of city-owned parks and play areas and selected 12 that were in the direst need of replacement, including the burned play area at Buffum and Center. Legislation creating MKE Plays was sponsored by **Common Council President Michael J. Murphy**, and generous donations from major foundations in the city laid the groundwork for this process.

For more information about MKE Plays, or to get involved, call **286-8532** or email mkeplays@milwaukee.gov.

What: MKE Plays meeting for Buffum and Center

When: 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 17

**Where: St. Marcus North Campus
2669 N. Richards St.**



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