

The Dream Takes Shape

Recent work helps bring the aquatic center into focus as major sections of West Side Park are near completion.

Construction progress continues at West Side Park as summer's heat sets in. The new aquatic center and the new splash pad at Leonard Leota Park, to be built later this year, will provide even more help to fight summer's heat next year.

The park's contractors have returned their attention to the pool complex. Last week's work featured pouring concrete into the forms enclosing the lazy river in one of the more complex operations. Neumann Pool also recently installed the underground piping between the pump house and the lap pool. The bathhouse is progressing above and below grade as masons have begun erecting the walls of that structure. At the same time, underground electrical work moves forward in preparation for the concrete slab floor.

With progress on these parts of the project, the overall layout of the aquatic center is now much easier to visualize.

Elsewhere in the park, pitchers' mounds and bases have been installed at both ball diamonds. The concrete walkway from the existing east end of the park toward the west end has been poured, while the east end parking area is now striped for parking stalls.

As construction progresses, the Growing Our Parks Capital Campaign Committee continues to work hard to meet its fundraising goal of \$1.7 million, or a bit more than 10% of the total project cost. The campaign is past the halfway mark, but hard work remains.

Campaign Chair Matt Poock invites you to join those who have contributed thus far to make this dream a reality.

“This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to help build Evansville's future. All current generations will benefit from this project. Future generations will thank us. All local residents and businesses will benefit as well from

the ripple effects. We invite you to add your fingerprint to this exciting project.”

When you are ready, visit <https://www.ci.evansville.wi.gov/donate> or send a check payable to:

City of Evansville Campaign

PO Box 529, Evansville, WI 53536

Your support will help ensure the successful completion of the City’s vision and plans for revitalizing and upgrading West Side Park and Leonard-Leota Park.

If you are willing to consider a significant gift, the campaign team will happily meet with you, share the vision, and answer any questions. Contact Melanie Crans at City Hall. And remember, the City will recognize household gifts of \$1,000 or more with a first-season pass to the new pool for summer 2024!