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### **LEMONT PARK DISTRICT RECEIVES \$600,000 OSLAD GRANT FOR MIRACLE FIELD RENOVATION**

Lemont, IL – March 1, 2023 – The Lemont Park District is pleased to announce that the agency was selected as a grant recipient for the 2023 Open Space Land Acquisition and Development (OSLAD) award program on March 1, 2023. The \$600,000 grant award, in which the Park District applied for at the end of last summer, is designated to assist in funding the redevelopment of the existing Miracle Field located at Centennial Campus.

The Park District’s Miracle Field was originally developed in 2007 in cooperation with community organizations and supporters. Since then, this multi-use field has been a great asset to the community for people of all abilities. From athletic programming and Lemont Baseball to outdoor fitness classes, day camp activities and more! With the Lemont Park District’s Miracle Field being slated for renovation in 2023, this grant award is perfectly timed.

In addition to the OSLAD Grant, the Rizzo Family and the Danny Rizzo Foundation have made a generous \$25,000 contribution towards this project. Combined, these funds will greatly help offset the costs associated with Miracle Field Renovation Project including an expanded regulation-sized astroturf field. In addition, ADA accessible dugouts with shade, a new netting system, a batting cage and improved spectator areas are also part of the renovation. Construction is scheduled to begin mid-summer after the annual Independence Extravaganza event held on July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

“The Lemont Park District could not be more pleased with the news regarding this grant award. Fiscal Responsibility is a Value the Lemont Park District holds in the highest regard, and our agency will continue to explore valuable grant opportunities such as this one during all planning,” said Park District Board President Bill McAdam. “We would also like to thank the Rizzo family and the \$25,000 contribution made in the name of the Danny Rizzo Foundation to assist with the Miracle Field Refurbishment,” he added.

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