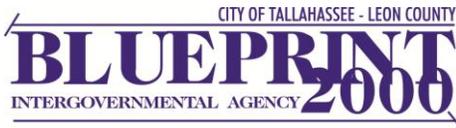




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DISCOVERY AT CASCADES PARK UNVEILED

Renderings Revealed for Family-Oriented Playscape

Tallahassee, Fla. – Representatives from the Knight Creative Communities Institute (KCCI) unveiled plans for their much anticipated *Discovery* at Cascades Park, a family-oriented playscape. This space, designed for the enjoyment of children and visitors of all ages, will present a variety of Florida environments intended to engage the senses and imagination. Today's event, attended by City, County and local business leaders, not only unveiled plans for this space but also announced the presenting sponsor, First Commerce Credit Union.

"We are thrilled to unveil the vision and renderings for the *Discovery* project," said Cecilia D. Homison, CEO of First Commerce Credit Union. "Discovery showcases our commitment to our community and supports the ongoing revitalization of our Capital City. We commend KCCI and its Cultivate Cascades volunteer team for the initiative they took in adding an interactive education and play area for families to Cascades Park."

Discovery at Cascades, designed by Meghan Mick of From the Ground Up, and developed and fundraised by KCCI's Cultivate Cascades team, is funded through private donations making this a true community project.

"This is a wonderful addition to the park," said Dave Snyder, Program Manager for Blueprint 2000. "Discovery at Cascades Park will be a place where kids of all ages can play."

Visual features include habitat gardens, a water play area, boulders, climbing logs, artwork and interpretative signage. The space is set to open in the spring of 2013, and will feature active, multi-sensory elements including:

- Interactive water feature with farm pump
- Climbing logs and jumps
- Steephead slide
- Butterfly garden
- Beach / sand area
- Outdoor classroom

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Discovery at Cascades Park Unveil cont.

"The strong local partnerships and financial contributions have been a vital component in helping bring to life a space that will truly benefit the entire community," said Laurie Hartsfield, Executive Director for KCCI. "We have been inspired by the support as our team has been working over the past 5 months to make this project a reality."

Discovery at Cascades Park is a unique partnership which brings private dollars to develop a new amenity planned within the public Cascades Park space. Thoughtfully designed with natural materials, *Discovery* features indigenous vegetation with creative landforms to create a purposefully complex area that will challenge and fascinate children. Research shows these types of environments offer a wide range of benefits, such as increasing physical activity, developing motor skills and contributing to cognitive development. In addition, it offers the opportunity for creativity and imaginative outdoor play.

"As the leader in children's medical care, keeping them healthy and fit is paramount to Tallahassee Memorial colleagues," said Mark O'Bryant, President & CEO of Tallahassee Memorial HealthCare. "We are looking forward to being involved in making the Cascades Park's interactive water feature an active experience for them."

In addition to First Commerce Credit Union, project sponsors include: Tallahassee Memorial HealthCare; The COPE Coalition; CSX; Hopping, Green and Sams; Get Outdoors Florida!; Florida Wildlife Federation; The Caire family; Berneice Cox; North American Properties; Radey, Thomas, Yon & Clark; Debbie Dantin; Allison Tant; and St. John's Episcopal Church.

In-kind sponsors are comprised of: From the Ground Up; Sandco; Esposito's; BowStern Marketing; Tallahassee Democrat; Full Press Apparel; Genesis; Persico; Gary Yordon Governance, Inc.; Apogee; VanCore Jones and Miller's Tree Service.

For more information about Discovery at Cascades Park, or to receive project updates, visit www.discoveryatcascades.com or for more information about KCCI, visit www.kccitallahassee.com.

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About KCCI's Cultivate Cascades Team

The Cultivate Cascades team is one of three KCCI projects for 2011-2012. The team chose the task of branding Cascades Park as a Tallahassee landmark by ensuring that visitors are drawn into the park through a variety of diverse activities. For more information about KCCI and its other projects, please visit www.kccitallahassee.com.

The Cultivate Cascades Team is comprised of 16 community leaders representing a wide range of talent and experience who volunteer because of our commitment to the community. Catalysts include: Co-Chairs: Betsy Couch, FSU and Berneice Cox, The Bacall Group; and team members include Melanie Weaver Carr, FDOT; LaKendra Cunningham, Executive Assistant for the Leon County Board of Commissioners; Rick Frazier, TCC; Julz Graham, WFSU; Bill Gwaltney, William Gwaltney, Attorneys at Law; Debbie Huey, Community Volunteer; Josh Newman, FSU; Paul Rutkovsky, FSU Artist; Carly Sinnadurai, The Sharing Tree; Robin Smith, North Florida Financial Corporation; Carlos Torregrosa, Divas & Devils; John Van Gieson, Writer & Consultant; Andrew Wilcox, Wilcox & Hackett; Brian Zettle, Pro-Steel Buildings, Inc.

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