

## CILCP JOINS EFFORT TO BUILD CENTRAL PA'S FIRST ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND

*Playground organizers looking for volunteers and sponsors to help reach goals*

**(Camp Hill, Pa.)** - The Center for Independent Living of Central Pennsylvania (CILCP) has announced that their staff will volunteer during "Build Week" for Possibility Place, a public playground that will be accessible to all children, with or without disabilities. This will be the first completely accessible playground in Central Pennsylvania. The park will open in the summer of 2006 and will be located in Lower Paxton Township's new George Park.



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Along with providing financial support, more than 25 members of the CILCP staff will join other volunteers to help during "Build Week." Scheduled to start after the completion of George Park construction, Build Week will occur June 14-18, 2006.

"CILCP is honored to have the opportunity to help with the development of Possibility Place," CILCP Executive Director Theotis Braddy said. "For this project, the local community is coming together and building a playground where all children can play side-by-side."

The idea for Possibility Place was organized by a group of Dauphin County community volunteers after they recognized a strong need for a fully accessible playground in Central Pennsylvania. It will be the first playground of its kind in the area. Any individual, including children, parents and guardians, will be able to access the playground's creative equipment.

Possibility Place organizers are estimating that they will need to raise at least \$300,000 to complete the project. They are accepting donations including supplies, money, building products, and food and refreshments for Build Week volunteers. Additionally, they are selling fence post sponsorships for \$50, which will include an inscription from the sponsor. At least 1,000 volunteers will be needed to help with construction.

"We are hopeful that the community will rally around this project and join us during Build Week," Braddy said. "This is a project that can create a lot of pride for residents of Lower Paxton Township and the surrounding area."

CILCP actively continues to promote and raise additional funds for Possibility Place. Meetings concerning the development of Possibility Place are being held every second and fourth Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in Devonshire Memorial Church located at 5630 Devonshire Road in Harrisburg. George Park is located on Nyes Road in Lower Paxton Township.

For more information on Possibility Place visit [www.PossibilityPlace.org](http://www.PossibilityPlace.org), or for volunteer

information contact Ann Phillips at 717-671-8407 or [ann@possibilityplace.org](mailto:ann@possibilityplace.org).

The Center for Independent Living of Central Pennsylvania is a nonprofit, nonresidential organization established for and by people with disabilities and serves Cumberland, Dauphin, Perry, Mifflin, and Juniata counties. CILCP's vision is to empower people with disabilities to fully participate in all aspects of society.

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