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Toys in Parks

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# History



# What has been done



# Positions

## Advantages:

- Kids have other options, especially if the playground does not target their age group.
- Neighbors talked about sense of community.
- Increased choices for families that can't afford some toys.

## Challenges:

- Potential hazard,
- Maintenance challenges
- Un-sanitary
- Un-sightly aesthetic



# Volunteer pilot program

## Park Toy Coordinator Position Description

### Key Responsibilities:

- **Toy Collection and Organization**
- **Safety Checks**
- **Team Leadership**
- **Reporting**
- **Time Commitment – Regular visits and 1-2 hours a week**



# Where are we now?

- 3 Parks with volunteer agreements – Elmside Circle, Ontario and Lucia Crest.
- Signs installed – Elmside sign vandalized immediately.
- Still too early to gauge





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