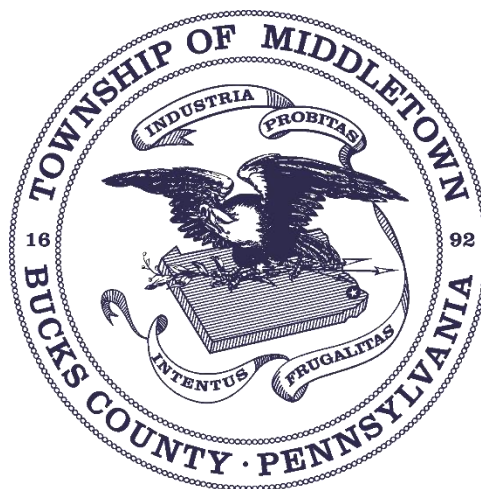


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Lions Park Ribbon Cutting

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Resources can be found on the final pages of this document for this project.

Middletown Township to Celebrate Ribbon Cutting for Newly Upgraded Lions Park Playground

Saturday, December 13 | 12:00–2:00 PM

300 Snowball Drive, Levittown

Middletown Township, Bucks County - Middletown Township invites residents and families to join us on Saturday, December 13 from 12:00–2:00 PM for the official ribbon cutting of the newly upgraded Lions Park Playground. This family-friendly event will recognize the completion of major upgrades to one of the Township's most visible park spaces.

Located at 300 Snowball Drive in Levittown, Lions Park sits at the prominent corner of Trenton Road and Veterans Highway. Its bright, vibrant new playground equipment was intentionally selected to complement this highly visible area and bring life and color to a major Township gateway.

A Major Investment in Community Recreation

The Lions Park project represents a collaborative and strategic investment in one of Middletown's oldest playgrounds. The former equipment—installed approximately 28 years ago—had reached the end of its useful life. Middletown Township typically aims to replace playgrounds every 15–19 years, making this an important and timely upgrade.

The project was funded through a blend of Township resources, grant support, and in-house expertise:

- \$120,000 for the new playground equipment was funded by Middletown Township.
- Installation by certified playground professionals was supported through a Pennsylvania State grant in partnership with GameTime, valued at approximately \$35,000.
- The site preparation, new pathway, and construction of a four-space parking lot were completed "in-kind" by the Middletown Township Department of Public Works, whose team provided labor and materials to support the project.

The Board of Supervisors approved the project at the April 7, 2025 public meeting.

A Growing, Greener Community Space

The Township's Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) has been planting trees throughout the Lions Park corridor. As these trees mature alongside the new playground equipment, the Township looks forward to creating a more shaded, sustainable, and welcoming recreational space for years to come.

Quotes from Township Leadership

Vice Chairperson Bernadette Hannah explains how investing in our parks is investing in our families.

"Lions Park has been a place where generations of Middletown residents have grown up, played, and made memories. This upgrade ensures that the next generation has a safe, vibrant, and welcoming space to enjoy. I'm grateful to everyone who helped bring this project to life."

Director of Parks & Recreation Paul Kopera praised the project as a major investment in community well-being.

"Lions Park has always been a gathering place for families, and this upgrade ensures it will continue to serve our residents safely and beautifully for decades to come," Kopera said. "We are proud to provide a space that encourages play, community, and outdoor activity for children of all ages."

Board of Supervisor Dana Kane highlighted the importance of investing in neighborhood parks.

"Parks are at the heart of strong communities," Kane said. "This project reflects the Township's commitment to creating safe, accessible, and vibrant spaces for families. Lions Park is a beloved neighborhood landmark, and we're excited to celebrate this long-overdue improvement with our residents."

Ribbon Cutting Event – All Are Welcome

Families, neighbors, and children of all ages are encouraged to come out for the celebration on Saturday, December 13. Township officials, Parks & Recreation staff, and members of the Board of Supervisors will be onsite to commemorate the project and celebrate another step forward in enhancing Middletown's parks.

The event is free, open to the public, and a wonderful opportunity to enjoy the new playground for the very first time.

Resources:





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