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Bauler Park



Oz Park



Fire Station Park



Lincoln Central Park



Ogden Mall Park



Fire Station Park

2019 LCA PARKS FUND

YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS HELP MAINTAIN & BEAUTIFY OUR NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS

☐ \$1,000 ☐ \$250 ☐ \$50 Other Amount Directed donation for specific park (optional)

☐ \$500 ☐ \$100 ☐ \$25 \$ _____

WRITE-IN PARK NAME

LCA is a 501(c)(3) organization. Your contributions are both crucial and tax deductible. Please support our neighborhood parks today by mailing a check payable to **Lincoln Central Association** to LCA | P. O. Box 14306 | Chicago, IL 60614.

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For many years, LCA has helped support the beautiful pocket parks in the Lincoln Central neighborhood. An overview of our park initiatives is listed below.

Since 1999, LCA has served as fiscal for Bauler Playlot Park, a focal point for neighborhood families and children. With matching funds from the Alderman's office, LCA installed new benches and tables in the Park last year. At the request of the Chicago Park District, LCA recently re-formed the Bauler Park Advisory Committee now operating under our auspices

Fire Station Park, located in the 1900 block of Larrabee behind the Armitage fire station, features the neighborhood's only community vegetable and herb garden and contains native Illinois plantings. Neighborhood residents are able to harvest from the gardens at no charge. The Park, which LCA renovated in 2011, is fully funded and maintained by LCA and our park donors. Fire Station Park has been honored with *Chicago Excellence in Gardening Awards* in both 2017 and 2018.

The Park is home to two of LCA's popular annual events, Summer Sipper and Evening in the Garden, and *Traveler*, a beautiful sculpture LCA is hoping to purchase next year through the Chicago Sculpture Exhibit. This year we are again providing space in our gardens for children to plant, including students from Abraham Lincoln Elementary School. Each year, we assist the adjacent fire station with their flower plantings which beautify the intersection of Armitage and Larrabee. With the support of park donors, we hope to further enhance the Park in the coming months.

LCA funds and maintains lushly landscaped Lincoln Central Park, at the corner of Lincoln and Dickens, an ideal venue for neighbors to sit and relax and enjoy the beautiful fountain in the Park's central plaza. Our enhancements included new plantings and a natural waterfall feature.

In 2017, LCA donated \$5,000 to Oz Park tennis courts renovation and contributed \$1,800 in 2018 toward the Park's new security camera system. Together with the Oz Park Advisory Council, LCA hosts the Park's official holiday tree lighting ceremony each year. Alderman Smith called the tree lighting ceremony "the most amazing thing Lincoln Park has done in decades."

LCA, recently oversaw and funded the restoration of Ogden Mall Parkway on Hudson. The bricks for this project were generously donated by Old Town Triangle Association, LCA and OTTA are planning other enhancements to Ogden Mall Park.

As an all-volunteer, not-for-profit, LCA needs your support to continue the upkeep and beautification of neighborhood parks. Donations to our Parks Fund are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law.

Donor Bill of Rights



AS AN LCA DONOR YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO:

- ✓ Be informed of LCA's mission, the way our organization intends to use donated resources, and our capacity to use donations effectively or their intended purposes.
- ✓ Be informed of the identity of those serving on the LCA's governing board, and to expect the board to exercise prudent judgment in its stewardship responsibilities.
- ✓ Have access to the LCA's most recent financial statements.
- ✓ Be assured any donations made for specific purposes will only be used for the purpose(s) for which they were given.
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- ✓ Be assured that information about your donations will be handled securely and with respect for your privacy.
- ✓ Expect that all individuals representing LCA will be professional in nature.
- ✓ Be assured that LCA will not sell our donor list and has no intention to otherwise share our donor list.
- ✓ Feel free to ask questions of LCA's governing Board when making a donation, or at any time thereafter, and to receive prompt, truthful and forthright answers to any questions.

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