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SPRINGFIELD PARK DISTRICT TO CUT THE RIBBON TO NEW STATE OF THE ART PLAY SYSTEM AT DOUGLAS PARK.

Douglas Park, Springfield, IL 62702
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[Springfield, IL] – The Springfield Park District is pleased to cut the ribbon to a new state of the art Play System at Douglas Park. This project includes ADA accessibility, numerous climbers, swing bays, sliders, see saw, several music pieces and even a double zip line!

The SPD avoided expensive installation costs by utilizing the skills and talents of in-house staff, saving taxpayers over \$50,000. These savings were reinvested back into the play system allowing additional play features to be purchased. We are excited to cut the ribbon to this brand-new play system at Douglas Park on Monday, June 24th at 5pm.

This \$125,000 project was funded through the Capital Improvement and Operating budget and was cited as one of the District's priority initiatives for park infrastructure upgrades in our 2017-2021 Comprehensive Master Plan.

"This new cutting-edge play system replaces a dated playground from the 1990's and is another example of our ongoing commitment to invest resources into our existing assets. We are excited to showcase this new play system in Douglas Park and invite the community to join us." – **states Leslie A. Sgro, President of the Springfield Park District Board of Trustees.**

We invite you and your families to come out and participate in our ribbon cutting and celebration of this exciting modern play feature at Douglas Park on Monday, June 24th at 5pm. We hope you can come zipline with us on our new playground!

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