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City of Kenner Receives Funding to Increase Access to Youth Sports

Musco Lighting and the National Recreation and Park Association Support Access to Youth Sports Through Parks and Recreation

Kenner, LA – (March 24, 2025) The City of Kenner is excited to announce its receipt of a grant from Musco Lighting and the [National Recreation and Park Association](#) (NRPA) to increase access to youth sports. As one of the largest providers of youth sports and youth development services in the nation, park and recreation agencies are well positioned to increase access to sports at the local level. With support from Musco Lighting and NRPA, Kenner Recreation will receive funding and in-kind support to implement innovative and sustainable solutions that improve the quality of youth sports offerings and increase participation in youth sports.

The [\\$20,000 grant funding](#) will be used to implement strategies in NRPA's Youth Sports Framework, building a positive youth sports culture that helps all youth access the life-changing benefits of sports. Kenner is transforming its community skate park into an inclusive hub for youth physical activity by adding adaptive features, forming an Adaptive Sports Coalition to support programming, and partnering with local paralyzed veterans to mentor users—demonstrating the city's commitment to health, accessibility, and community engagement.

"This project reflects our commitment to creating spaces where all residents—regardless of ability—can come together, be active, and feel included," said Mayor Michael Glaser. "This is also a meaningful step forward in revitalizing our Recreation Department and creating spaces that support health and community."

In addition, Musco Lighting has donated \$100,000 in lighting enhancements for the skate park which will allow safe use of the park beyond daylight hours, making it more accessible for youth with school, work, or family obligations. It also enhances overall safety and comfort, encouraging greater use—especially by families and youth from underserved communities.

The City of Kenner and our Recreation Department is excited to partner with Musco Lighting and NRPA to advance new practices in its youth sports programs, facilities and policies to ensure that all children have access to a safe and welcoming youth sports experience close to home.

About Kenner Recreation

The Kenner Recreation Department is dedicated to enriching the lives of our community members by providing accessible, inclusive, and diverse recreational opportunities. We strive to foster a sense of belonging, promote physical and mental well-being, and cultivate a spirit of unity among residents of all ages, backgrounds, and abilities through innovative programming and community partnerships. Our goal is to forge a stronger, more vibrant community where every individual can rediscover the joy of recreation. For more information visit www.kenner.la.us/recreation.

About Musco Lighting

Since 1976, Musco Lighting has specialized in the design and manufacture of sports and transportation/infrastructure lighting solutions. Musco's Total Light Control – TLC for LED™ technology is the solution of choice for new and retrofit installations at hometown fields, professional stadiums, international superspeedways, Olympic Games, and the biggest ports, airports, and railyards in the world. Musco's facility solutions also include Show-Light+® entertainment package and the Mini-Pitch System™ modular sports solution. All of Musco's solutions are backed by long-term parts and labor warranties. For more information on Musco's innovative lighting solutions, visit www.musco.com.

About the National Recreation and Park Association

The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) is the leading not-for-profit organization dedicated to building strong, vibrant and resilient communities through the power of parks and recreation. With more than 60,000 members, NRPA advances this mission by investing in and championing the work of park and recreation professionals and advocates — the catalysts for positive change in service of equity, climate-readiness, and overall health and well-being. For more information, visit www.nrpa.org. For digital access to NRPA's flagship publication, Parks & Recreation, visit www.parksandrecreation.org.

[NRPA Release regarding all Grants to Transform Youth Sports Landscape](#)

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