# City of New Ulm Park & Recreation

Putting Smiles on Faces

# Give and Grow Donation Program



### **Give and Grow Program Overview**

The City of New Ulm Park and Recreation Department recognizes the enormous value of direct community support. We are very fortunate to receive support from community members who regularly give time, money, property, and individual expertise to help ensure our park and recreation system continues to thrive by providing vital benefits and quality of life for New Ulm residents and visitors.

New Ulm Park and Recreation has established guidelines for several types of opportunities to donate. We encourage individuals, families, businesses, groups, and associations to contact the department to discuss ideas and locations for donations. Final donation locations are dependent on department needs and planning processes already underway.

Donations to the City of New Ulm Park and Recreation may be tax deductible. (Please consult your tax advisor.)

Donations will be accepted in the following categories:

- Living Legacy tree donations: Living memorial donations accepted in the form of tree plantings in city parks.
- Stewardship bench donations: Memorial or Donated benches will be considered within the city park system.
- General donations: Donations for general park and recreation purposes are accepted and encouraged.
- Statues, Shelters, Fountains, Plazas, Gardens, Playgrounds, etc.: The Department will determine placement of such donations.
- Park/Facility Naming Rights Opportunities: Naming of a park/facility as a donation, sponsorship, or memorial may be submitted under the City of New Ulm Park/Facility Naming Policy.



# **Give and Grow Policy**

- 1. Park and Recreation Staff is responsible for purchase and installation of all park/facility elements which shall not change the character of the park or facility.
- 2. Donated elements become City of New Ulm Park and Recreation property. Staff will maintain the memorial donation only for the expected life cycle of the item. If current information is on file, the donor is given the opportunity to take action at the end of the life cycle.
- 3. It is the responsibility of the donor to provide the Park & Recreation Department with current address and/or phone number for purposes of notification.
- 4. Donors are notified, if current information is on file, of any changes related to the status of the donation, such as need to remove, relocate or comply with other conditions.
- 5. Donated elements must be of high quality for a long life and be resistant to the elements and normal use in it's location. Repair parts & materials must be readily available at a reasonable cost. Maintenance must not negatively impact staff's routine, budget or other facilities.
- 6. Donors cover the full cost for purchase, freight, site prep and acknowledgement plaques. Payment is due prior to installation.
- 7. Park & Recreation Staff will manage and approve all donations and their locations. Additional review may be necessary from the Park & Recreation Commission. All naming requests must go through the Commission and City Council for final acceptance and must adhere to the naming policy.
- 8. Memorials must: a) meet a true need of a park or facility, b) not interfere with intended current or future use of a park or facility, and c) not require the relocation of other equipment or infrastructure.
- All elements are ordered by staff, through specific manufacturers and vendors to maintain consistency within the park system.
- 10. Any plaque requested with a memorial and it's wording shall be approved by Park and Recreation staff.
- 11. Installation is completed by Park and Recreation personnel or contractor at a time so as not to interfere with routine park or facility maintenance and activities.
- 12. New Ulm Park and Recreation reserves the right to remove or relocate donated elements and their acknowledgements when they interfere with site safety, maintenance or construction activity. As stated previously, Park and Recreation will contact the donor notifying them of any action related to the disposition. In certain situations, such as safety or emergency, notification may be made after action has been taken. In the event that a memorial donation must be permanently removed, Park and Recreation will seek an alternative location consistent with these policies.
- 13. New Ulm Park and Recreation reserves the right to remove a donated park element if the maintenance and repair cost become too high.
- 14. At the end of the sustainable life-cycle, the donor may choose to extend the donation by paying the current value of a new memorial donation. New Ulm Park and Recreation reserves the right to seek a new donor for the memorial donation at the end of the sustainable life-cycle, should the original donor choose not to renew the memorial donation or if Park and Recreation staff is unable to contact the original donor.

\*\*\*Link to Donation Application: <a href="https://forms.ci.new-ulm.mn.us/Forms/PRDonation">https://forms.ci.new-ulm.mn.us/Forms/PRDonation</a>\*\*\*

## **Give and Grow Program Catalog**







GRILLS



**PICNIC TABLES** 





SHADE STRUCTURE/SHELTER





**PAVERS** 



**LANDSCAPING** 



**PLAYGROUNDS/EQUIPMENT** 





**DOG WASTE STATIONS** 



<sup>\*</sup>please contact New Ulm Park and Recreation for more options and pricing.