

University Area Community Council

1057 West Fireweed Lane #100

Anchorage, AK 99503

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Dear U-Med Neighbor,

Did you know that roughly one third of Anchorage is employed within a one mile of Folker Park? The University Area Community Council (UACC) is working to make Folker Park (Folker St and E 42<sup>nd</sup> Ave.) an accessible, enjoyable and beautiful public space that will attract U-Med district neighbors, hospital patients, and local employers and employees, and improve their outdoor recreational opportunities.

**With a focus on "Intergenerational" Healing & Fitness, plans include a paved ADA walking surface, exercise equipment, outdoor music area, art area, labyrinth plaza, reflexology path, bird area, and a welcome plaza.** Parks help foster mental, physical and spiritual health. Kids in park settings develop a higher level of cognitive skill, problem solving skills, and teamwork. Folker Park can provide a safe gathering place for local residents, neighboring schools, universities, and hospitals.

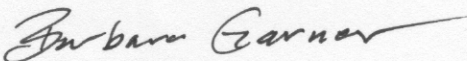
**Folker Park can be rejuvenated and made safer with your help. Please consider donating to Folker Park.** Anchorage Park Foundation awarded neighbors a challenge grant for the park, which means your donations to the park will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$12,500 in funds generously made possible by the **Rasmuson Foundation**. Your gift will be used to purchase the outdoor exercise equipment for the designated exercise area. **We are nearly halfway to our \$12,500 matching grant goal. Your gift to Folker Park by March 15, 2018 will help us make Folker Park the best it can be.**

**Supporting Folker Park is easy! Here's how:** Your secure gift can be made through the Anchorage Park Foundation, deductible through the fullest extent of the law through their tax-ID, 41-2205907. Please write "Folker Park" in the memo on your check or the designation line of their secure online donation at [www.AnchorageParkFoundation.org/donate](http://www.AnchorageParkFoundation.org/donate). Checks should be made payable to Anchorage Park Foundation, 3201 C Street, Suite 110, Anchorage, AK 99503. Specific questions about your gift can be directed to Jess at 907-274-1003 or [Jess@AnchorageParkFoundation.org](mailto:Jess@AnchorageParkFoundation.org)

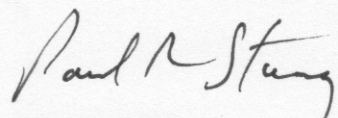
Anchorage Park Foundation and the neighbors of the U-Med District will recognize your gift at an upcoming Folker Park "Intergenerational" Healing & Fitness Park Grand Opening this summer. Your entire team would enjoy this fun event - date to be determined.

Thank you for your consideration in making the vision of this park one that benefits U-Med district neighbors, Anchorage's workforce, Horizon House residents, daycare children, and people like you and me with improved health, fitness and safety.

Gratefully,



Barbara Garner  
UACC Park's Chair, Challenge Grant recipient



Paul R. Stang  
President, UACC

Enclosure: Folker Park Fundraising Brochure