

# SHERIDAN SQUARE PARK

On the site of the former Fort Logan Elementary School in Sheridan, Colorado, Sheridan Square Park was a great feature for a new development focused on community and families! Sheridan Square consists of 63 homes, housing 130 adults and 225 children. South Suburban Parks and Recreation (SSPRD) and Habitat for Humanity established a partnership in order to bring Sheridan Square Park to life. From there, A to Z Recreation was brought in as Burke's Colorado Representative to begin the planning stages of this new playspace.

The purpose and main goal of this playspace was to design an accessible playground for children ages 2-12 that not only fostered childhood development and engagement, but also complimented the aesthetic and demographics of the houses in the area. According to Kory Whitaker, Project Design Developer with Habitat for Humanity, "The purpose of Sheridan Square Park was to create a space for all ages. The homes in this development ranged from 2-5 bedrooms, so children were going to be prominent."

Burke's ClubHouse themed playground encourages imagination and exploration in everyday play. There are many opportunities for children of all ages and abilities to benefit from climbing, sliding and swinging. To make this all possible, SSPRD and Habitat for Humanity utilized BCI Burke's cooperative contract, made available through OMNIA Partners, Public Sector (subsidiary National IPA) to simplify the purchasing process and ensure the design and intent of the playspace remained the same – serving as a place for the community to gather, grow and thrive.

Whitaker stated, "Children use and engage with the playground in about every way imaginable. It is a huge hangout place for this community." Sheridan Square Park has received very positive responses. Children and families are loving this fun and engaging playspace in their neighborhood!

