



A Peace Keeper oversees park activity.

David Anderson, a Kalamazoo City Commissioner and “friend” of the Peace Park states:

“Sometimes we look at poor people or challenged neighborhoods and think that we have to deliver programs to them, we have something to teach, some skill to model or some form of charity. What the Friends provided at the Peace Park was not that. Instead it supported an activity that was natural and normal for a neighborhood, a couple of village elders engaging, watching out and setting the tone.....”

The result was something that those of us who live in "safe" neighborhoods take for granted. The park became what it was intended to be, a peace park, a place where kids knew that there were rules and that someone would stand for those rules. Not occupiers, but adults steeped in the fabric of the community. Simple rules, no violence, verbal or otherwise. That peace is priceless and unfortunately, especially for many young people who live in the neighborhood, a rarity.”

Please join us in providing a safe, friendly place for creative, unstructured play.

Yes, I want to support the Adda Dilts Peace Park

Donation amount: \$ _____

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Donation checks should be made out to Kalamazoo Friends Meeting and mailed to: Kalamazoo Friends Meeting
Attn. Treasurer
508 Denner,
Kalamazoo, MI 49006.

Donations for the Adda Dilts Peace Park are tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed. All donations will be used to hire Peace Keepers.

Thanks so much for your generosity and support!



Besides the basketball hoop, the Adda Dilts Peace Park has an assortment of playground equipment intended for younger children. Due to the behavior of some of the older young people and the potential for violence, many families who had used the park stopped coming and kept their kids away. Since the Friends Meeting hired the Peace Keepers, most of these families and their children have returned.

Using Peace Keeper services has become an ongoing commitment of the Kalamazoo Friends Meeting. We stand together with the Peace Keepers and the Meeting Resident to inspire, to teach, and to require adherence to rules so children and families can be safe and have fun in the beautiful natural space we have to offer. Will you assist us in this endeavor?