



## **The Bluffside Neighborhood Association is requesting donations for the completion of the Bluffview Park updates, September 2018.**

### **WHY -**

- Bluffview Park became a city park in 2016.
- The Bluffside Neighborhood Association decided in 2017 to upgrade the park to meet the needs of the neighborhood families.
- To meet the needs of the neighborhood families including a gathering place for families and young people alike.
- We were given \$375,000 from the Mayor's Fund for neighborhood enhancement. We decided to improve Bluffview Park by building a new shelter at the cost of \$61,500, replace the playground equipment with a toddler section and a 5-12 year old section for \$77,750, professional services /fees amounted to \$32,000 for a total of \$171,250. The construction cost, which includes removing the present structures and installing the new materials bid, came in at the cost of \$204,602. The total equals \$375,852. Other park improvements were identified that do not fit in this budget. Those improvements are listed below.

### **WHAT –**

Items needed to complete the park.

- We need new fencing for the Baseball Field. The posts for the fencing are rusting off, and there is a need for more protection for the teams when they are in the dugouts.
  - The bid for this came in at \$22,000, reduced to \$17,000 with a grant for \$5,000 from the La Crosse Community Foundation. (The bid was good for 45 days and now will be rebid. The bid is expected to be higher because of the tariff on aluminum. \$30,000 ca
- Water Fountain (Bubbler) installed, so there is water available for drinking and washing dishes after picnics, etc. – cost \$15,000 ca
- Resurface Basketball Court - \$6,000 ca
- Sidewalk needs to be included for elderly, physically challenged folks and young parents with children in strollers from Cliffwood St. to the Shelter. \$6,000 ca.

**GOAL** - The Total Funding needed to complete the Park Project is \$57,000