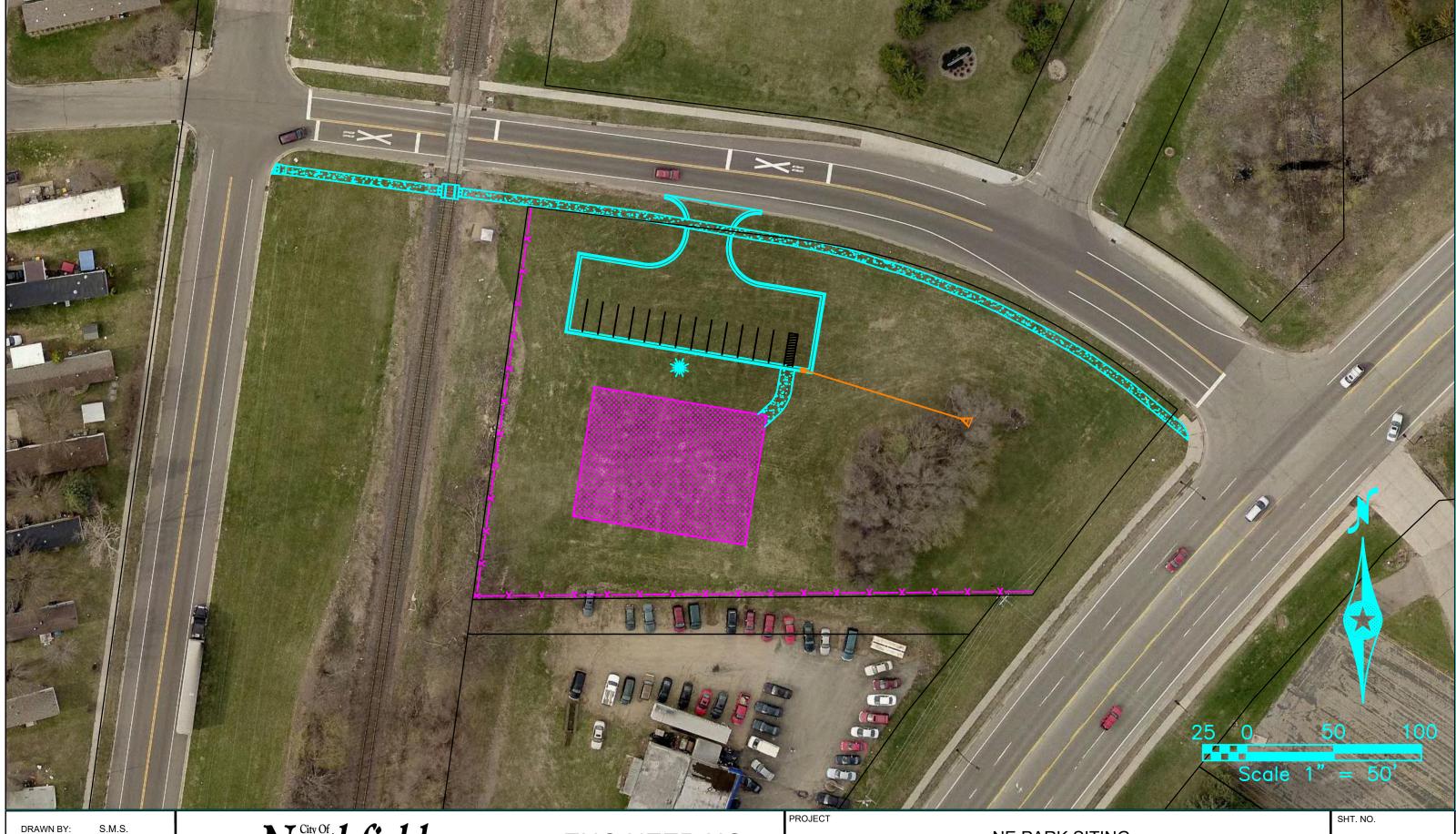


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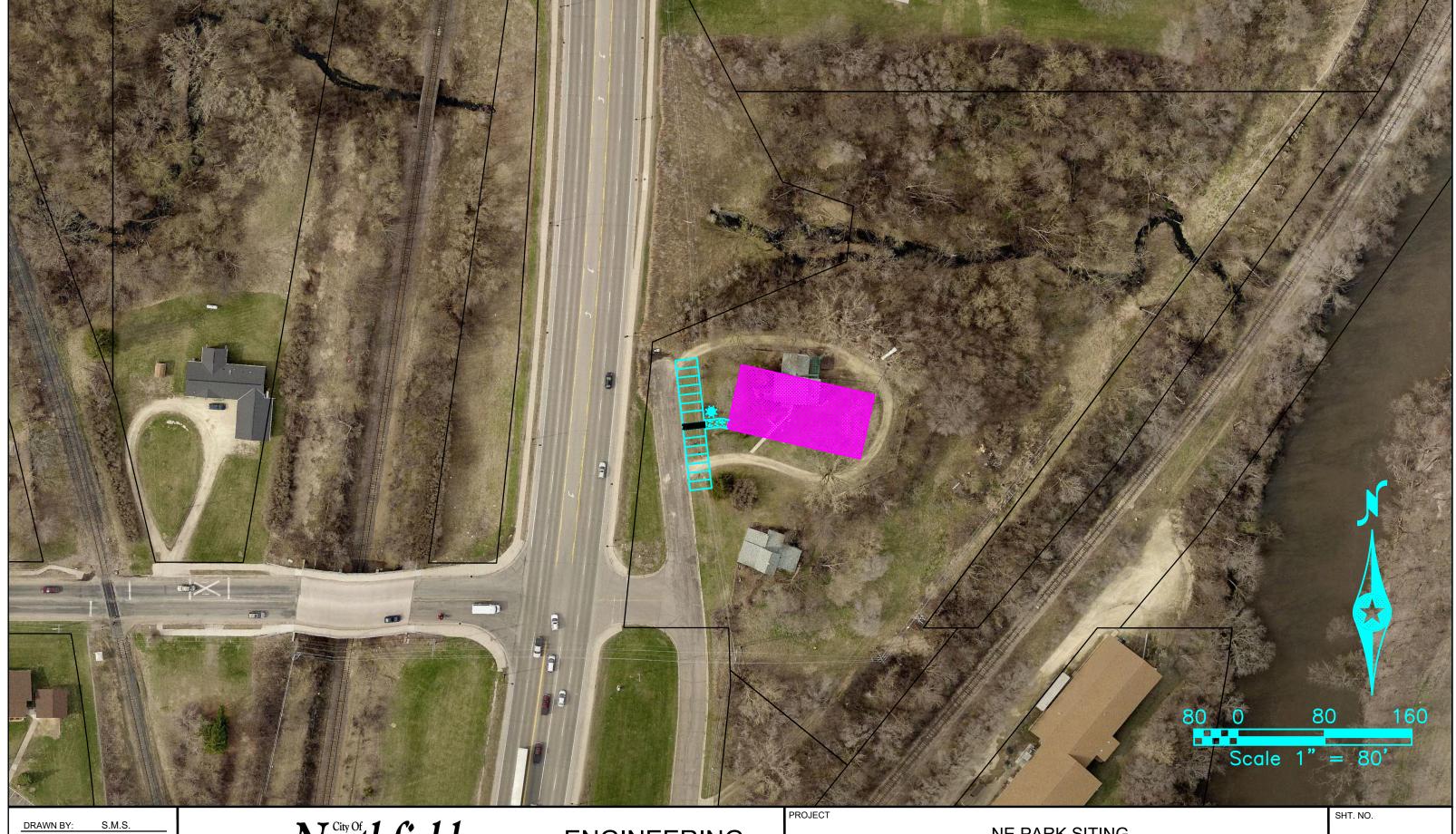


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Community-Build Playground Project Opportunities for StriveTogether Network Members

Three StriveTogether network members will each earn an opportunity to partner with national nonprofit KaBOOM! to lead a community-build playground project valued up to \$300,000 for kids in your region.

To be considered, network members need to engage in four activities:

- 1. Join the #SuccessTogether conversation by posting at least three messages from the campaign toolkit and sharing at least one original video featuring youth in your community.
- 2. Log-on and complete your profile on the new partner portal that will be unveiled at the convening.
- 3. Provide feedback on the new StriveTogether racial equity vision statement.
- 4. Email answers to the Playground Project Interest Form Questions (below) to jdemarco@kaboom.org at KaBOOM! by 5 pm EST on September 30th, 2019.

Each playground project will involve community volunteers and, to as great a degree as possible, staff and stakeholders of a StriveTogether network member community in the design, planning and handson installation of a community playground before September 2020.

- Each selected StriveTogether network member community will get to work with KaBOOM! to confirm a Community Partner, a youth serving organization (screened and recommended by KaBOOM!) in your region who will partner with us to lead the project on their land, and will become the owner of the new playground following its construction.
- Each project will launch with a community Design Day event, where kids and families create the
 design specifications for a custom play space with help from a KaBOOM! Project Manager.
- Community volunteers, with help from interested network member organizations, will then work
 with KaBOOM! on a two-month grassroots campaign to raise local matching funds, recruit
 volunteers, assemble tool loans, plan kids' activities, invite elected officials and community
 leaders, lead media outreach and all aspects of grassroots project planning.
- Each project will culminate with a high-energy "urban barn raising" event a Build Day where KaBOOM! will help 250 volunteers raise spiral slides, bolt together climbing webs, and transform an urban space into a custom, kid-designed community play space.

These projects would be designed to (1) help close the racial and socio-economic equity gaps in kids' access to – and outcomes from – great places to play; and (2) build civic infrastructure through a proven community-build process that brings diverse residents together to tackle a defined project on a fast, defined timeline to collectively benefit the well-being of kids.

Here is a <u>link to a short film</u> (password "piecetopeace4301") about a recent KaBOOM! playground build with Chicago's Pullman neighborhood, as well as a link to a video highlighting a playground project <u>Community Partner's perspectives</u> on the experience of working on a community-build playground project with KaBOOM!. Finally, here is a <u>link to a sample KaBOOM! playground design</u> similar in scale to what can be created for these projects.

StriveTogether and KaBOOM! will host an optional webinar for all interested network members on Friday, September 20th at 2 pm EST. Your team can register using this link:

You may also contact Jenny DeMarco (<u>idemarco@kaboom.org</u>) at KaBOOM! with any questions. KaBOOM! will use Playground Project Interest Form responses to confirm by October 11, 2019 three network members to partner with to lead these projects.

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Playground Project Interest Form Questions

Please email Jenny Demarco at KaBOOM! at <u>idemarco@kaboom.org</u> by 5 pm EST on September 30th with your answers to these questions in an attached Word document or PDF.

- 1. What is the name of your StriveTogether network partnership?
- 2. Please share the name, organization, email and address of the individual who would serve as a lead contact to help confirm a Community Partner and key project dates, approve project communications, represent your network member community at the Design Day, and communicate about the project with your network member community.
- 3. Please share the geographic area your network member community would prefer to support with a playground project and why your team would prioritize it. (It is not at all necessary for your network member community to identify a specific site or Community Partner, but if there is a youth serving organization and location your team would like KaBOOM! to give priority consideration to, please share it.)
- 4. KaBOOM! anticipates seeking to involve roughly 250 volunteers total in each project's Build Day, and will work with the Community Partner to recruit volunteers from the playground's immediate neighborhood. Please share how your network member community could support recruitment of volunteers from your key stakeholder organizations, the names of stakeholder organizations that might be involved on Build Day, as well as the total number of volunteers you could you potentially recruit.
- 5. Please share how your network member community's involvement in a community-build playground project could advance your shared StriveTogether cradle-to-career goals for kids.