



## Become a Friend of Lafayette Park!

Lafayette Park is one of the finest assets of our wonderful neighborhood. The Friends of Lafayette Park (FOLP) and the Friends of Lafayette Recreation Center and Park (FoLRAP) recently merged to combine their efforts to improve and maintain Lafayette Park and to foster strong relationships in our community.

**Your Tax-Deductible Donations are our primary source of funding.**

Currently the FOLP sees many needs in the Park and has insufficient funds to meet them.

Among the most important needs are:

- 1. Maintaining the gardens on the perimeter and inside the Park. They are not city-maintained, and volunteers need assistance from hired labor.**
- 2. Continue to work with city officials to complete the unfinished work in the aftermath of the School renovation and construction.**
- 3. Work with the community and the city as plans unfold for a new Rec Center at the park.**
- 4. Work with city Park officials to maintain the safety of the playground equipment.**

**Please join your neighbors as we maintain and improve Lafayette Park.**

You can help with a tax-deductible donation or by becoming a volunteer for the FOLP. We welcome your thoughts and ideas for the park and the Rec Center. Please tear off and mail the slip below. Or you may go online to [www.thefolp.org](http://www.thefolp.org); to the "Be a Friend" page from home-page menu, and pay with **PayPal**.



Founded in 1999

The Friends of Lafayette Park (FOLP) is a nonprofit organization of neighbors dedicated since 1999 to preserving and improving the park.

For more information about Friends of Lafayette Park or to contact us, visit: [www.thefolp.org](http://www.thefolp.org)

Please detach the following slip and mail to:

Dennis Smyth, FOLP Treasurer  
5704 33rd Street, NW, Washington DC 20015

Or you may donate online at:  
<http://www.thefolp.org/membership/>

**Suggested Donation: \$50.00, or what's comfortable**

Full name : \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please make check out to Friends of Lafayette Park)

Thank you very much for your continued support of Lafayette Park. FOLP is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit. Your donation is tax deductible.

**Help  
FOLP Today!**

## We Want to Hear From You!

The newly merged group of the Friends of Lafayette Park (FOLP) and the Friends of Lafayette Recreation Center and Park (FoLRAP) invites the engagement and support of all who are interested in enhancing and maintaining Lafayette Park and the Rec Center.

There are a number of unfinished issues at the Park, including incomplete work following the major school construction, the gardens need the assistance of hired labor. ... And new issues are on the horizon... including future plans for a new rec center.

Become a "Friend" of the Park and support the FOLP. Your tax-deductible donation is much appreciated. The FOLP raises funds for many projects that fill the gaps the city doesn't cover.

## Come Volunteer at Lafayette Park!

Here are some suggestions on how you, your family members and friends can volunteer.

### Gardening Group

The beautiful gardens in and surrounding Lafayette Park are the work of FOLP volunteers, not the city. The volunteer gardening group every year plants flowers and bushes, and then tends the gardens. If you love to garden, the gardening group would welcome you! We have small projects, or you can become a regular volunteer and take "ownership" of an area to oversee. If you have a green thumb and are interested in helping, please go to [www.thefolp.org](http://www.thefolp.org) and "Contact" us.

### Spring & Fall Clean-Up Days

The FOLP organizes two clean-up days a year – in April/May and October/November. Neighborhood residents turn out to rake leaves, clear brush, pick up litter, clean up the playground and do other light projects. **Bring your work gloves.... and bring the kids. ... It's Fun!**

### Community Service Hours for Students

Do your kids need community service hours for school? If they are interested in performing community service to benefit Lafayette Park, please go to [www.thefolp.org](http://www.thefolp.org) and "Contact" us.

*"My support for the Friends of Lafayette Park and the excellent work they do remains unwavering."* – **Ward 4 Councilman Brandon Todd**

Volunteer  
Today!

Lafayette Park is one of the finest assets in Chevy-Chase DC.  
Please come help your neighbors keep the park beautiful.

Yes, I would like to volunteer for the following:

- Spring or  Fall Clean-Up Day       Community Service  
 Join the Gardening Group       Other \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

(Detach and return in the enclosed envelope.....thanks, FOLP)