

Altmire Delivers \$142,600 to Help Complete Natrona Recreation and Art Park

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(NATRONA, PA) — As part of his on-going efforts to support economic development across western Pennsylvania, U.S. Congressman Jason Altmire (PA-04) today presented Natrona Comes Together with \$142,500 in federal funding he secured to help them finish transforming the old Natrona Ballfield into the Natrona Recreation and Art Park. Altmire secured this funding as part of the FY 2009 appropriations process.

“This Natrona Recreation and Art Park will serve as a cornerstone for this town’s revitalization,” Altmire said. “It will both be a gathering place for the community and an asset that can help attract new residents and new businesses to this area. One of my top priorities is bolstering economic development throughout the AK Valley, and I believe that investing in projects like the Natrona Recreation and Art Park can help us do that.”

The Natrona Recreation and Art Park will feature new basketball courts, a concession stand, pavilion, landscaping and a children’s sculpture park. Natrona Comes Together, the group in charge of the revitalization project, expects this park will help to spur economic development in Natrona and will also help to lower crime rates by providing young people with a safe place where they can engage in community and educational activities.

“Currently, there is not enough for our young people and seniors to do in our town,” Bill Godfrey, the Executive Director of Natrona Comes Together said. “The Natrona Art and Recreation Park will help to change that by providing a safe, positive environment for educational, social, and community events. I want to thank Congressman Altmire for investing in Natrona and helping us create a beautiful park that will be a great source of civic pride for years to come.”