

Playgrounds and Recreation Centers

Stenton Park Recreation Center and Playground



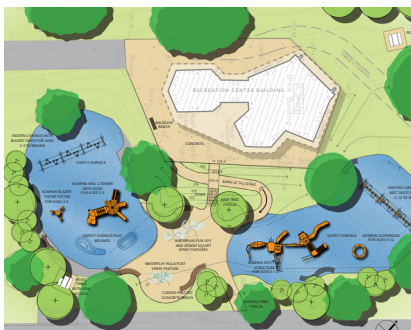
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Greening Greenfield - Albert M. Greenfield Elementary School



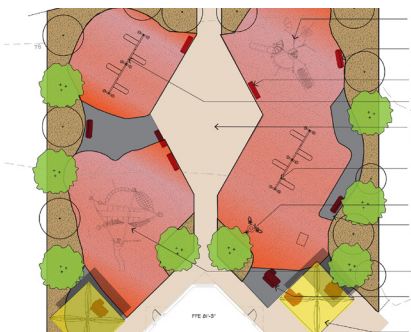
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Fitzpatrick Playground Upgrade



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