



Dear Parks Department Friends,

You tend the park so carefully, making it a beautiful place for us to enjoy. You responded so quickly to our need for safety by creating better visibility around our building and parking lot. You are all so positive and enthusiastic about your work. It is a pleasure being your neighbor. Thank you for your help and your kindness. With gratitude from your neighbors at Kinderling

Harvey, Nancy

From: Harris, Pat
Sent: Thursday, December 29, 2011 2:36 PM
To: Harvey, Nancy
Subject: FW: City works with Kindering to make environment safer - article in KOMO Communities blog

Per your request.

-----Original Message-----

From: Joe Cunningham [<mailto:joe.cunningham@kindering.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, December 28, 2011 10:37 AM
To: Harris, Pat
Cc: Kathy Fortner
Subject: City works with Kindering to make environment safer - article in KOMO Communities blog

Dear Pat,

On behalf of Kindering, I am pleased to forward the link to the KOMO Communities news report entitled "City Works with Kindering to Make Environment Safer" written by Leslee Jaquette.

<http://bellevue.komonews.com/news/parents-kids/702913-city-works-kindering-make-environment-safer#.TviW-r2ciR4.email>

Many thanks for all your efforts on behalf of Kindering and the families whose children with special needs we serve.

Best regards,

Joe Cunningham
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Monday, December 26th, 2011, 7:00am

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Kindering helps more than 3,000 children and families each year.

When Bellevue-based [Kindering \(http://www.kindering.org\)](http://www.kindering.org) recently asked for Parks and Police Department officials from the City of Bellevue to help them improve crime prevention and offer safety tips, City Manager Steve Sarkozy jumped at the opportunity. Located in Crossroads, Kindering is a nonprofit neurodevelopmental center for children on the Eastside, ages birth to three, with special needs,

Kindering's appreciation of the City of Bellevue's immediate response to the request for help was noted in an e-mail Operations Manager Kathy Fortner wrote to city officials, "Thank you to the Parks Department and the Bellevue Police Department for making things safe for children, families and staff at Kindering."

Fortner added, "The Police, especially the officers of the bike patrol and Crossroads precinct, were extremely helpful by providing safety ideas, options to improve security and crime prevention tips. We are so pleased with how quickly the Parks Department responded to improve the parking lot safety and visibility in our area. The city employees we dealt with were helpful, capable, responsive experts."



Kindering kids at the recent holiday party.

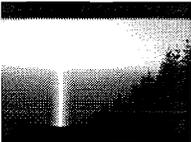
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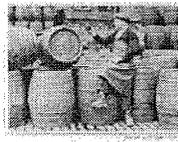


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Bellevue Parks and Police help Kindering

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Parks and Police Department officials from the City of Bellevue recently met with Kindering staff to discuss ways to help ensure safety for them and the children with special needs they serve.

Kindering is a nonprofit neurodevelopmental center for children ages birth to three, with special needs.

"We are concerned for the safety of the children and families who participate in our program," said Kathy Fortner, director of operations at Kindering. "The police, especially the officers of the bike patrol and Crossroads precinct, were extremely helpful by providing safety ideas, options to improve security and crime prevention tips."

Fortner also noted that the Parks Department responded quickly to improve the parking lot safety and visibility in the area.

The thanks came in the form of an email to city officials.

Find this article at:

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