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Seating Project Complete at J.B. Chambers Memorial Recreation Park in East Wheeling

The J.B. Chambers Memorial Recreation Park has a new look, thanks to a quarter-of-a-million-dollar seating enhancement construction project.

Back in October, city officials announced that Gary and Flip West donated a generous \$250,000 to build bleachers at the park. Construction started earlier this year and finished just in time for summer. The structure is equipped for handicapped accessibility. The total cost of the project was \$308,000.

In addition to Mr. and Mrs. West's contribution, the J.B. Chambers Memorial Foundation pledged up to an additional \$60,000 match to complete the project. The Ohio Valley Area Development Corporation also matched J.B. Chambers contribution.

"This beautiful complex is utilized everyday between mid-February to late December by citizens of all ages. Generous donations such as Mr. and Mrs. West and the J.B. Chambers Memorial Foundation have transformed this area of our city into a vibrant and active location that attracts thousands of people each year," said Wheeling City Manager Robert Herron.

The City of Wheeling, in partnership with the Community Foundation for the Ohio Valley, contracted M&G Architects and Engineers to complete the 538-seat bleacher seating project.

In June 2015, the City of Wheeling celebrated the dedication of the field, an achievement made possible by significant support from the J.B. Chambers Memorial Foundation, Wheeling Hospital, Schenk Charitable Trust, Roy and Dorothy Chambers Foundation, Jim and Linda Bordas, and Ziegenfelders.

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