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Boyer Park child hand print tiles almost complete

PROSPER (December 7, 2010) Prosper's Ralph Boyer Park, the latest park to officially open as part of the Town's growing parks system, is giving residents the last opportunities to obtain a permanent place in the near-downtown enclave by offering the last few openings in the child hand print wall, according to Wade Harden, Parks and Recreation Senior Planner.

"We're just about out of places for the wall, which is really the final piece of that park's development," he said. The child hand print tile wall is a low-slung retaining barrier right behind the water splash feature, where children are allowed to play in the streaming fountain area. The wall is to be adorned with tiles installed into the wall, each with the hand prints and names of the individual children whose imprints appear on the tiles.

"The unique child hand print wall is designed to serve as a permanent reminder to future generations of the Town's participation in civic improvements," said Harden.

"When the future children and grandchildren of today's kids come by the park, they will have an extraordinary opportunity to look back to 2010 and see the hand-prints of their relatives. It will be a sort of window to the past," he added.

The imprinted tiles will be permanently set into the concrete in full view of park visitors. Each tile can be purchased for \$25, which covers the cost of the imprinting and installation in the wall.

Quantities of the hand-print tiles are now extremely limited and will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis. The wall is expected to be completed shortly after the Prosper Christmas Festival. More information can be obtained from the Town of Prosper's Parks and Recreation department at 972-346-3502.

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ABOUT THE TOWN OF PROSPER – The Town of Prosper is a fast-growing suburb with small town charm, located 30 miles north of Dallas at the crossroads of U.S. 380, Preston Road and the Dallas North Tollway in Collin and Denton Counties. Prosper sits on 27 square miles and is home to more than 9,000 people. A home-rule municipality, governed by a council-manager form of government, the town has full-time fire and police departments, including its own dispatch service. As the Town grows to its projected build-out population of 90,000 residents, Prosper's vision is to remain a "Place Where Everyone Matters."