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Gallinas River Park Porch Swing campaign

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Think pre-pandemic. Our community came together then to plan for a revitalization of the Gallinas River Park as Hermit's Peak Watershed Alliance began work on the river's restoration. Today, two sections of the river have been restored, trash cans were purchase with donations and installed by the city, lights were purchased and installed by the city, and they repaved the river walk from Bridge to Prince streets.

Back at those pre-pandemic planning meetings, someone said, "The park is an extension of our yards here in town. We should enjoy it and take care of it as though it is our backyard." Young people from West Las Vegas High School took that idea and proposed porch swings for the park, "...just like one you'd have in your backyard".

Hermit's Peak Watershed Alliance received a grant from the Las Vegas Community Foundation for a portion of the cost of a porch swing. Now we're raising the balance of funds needed. Look for the \$1 for Your River & Park signs in business windows as you shop, run errands, and dine in our community between March 25 and April 22, Earth Day...and drop your change, a dollar, two or more in the jar on the counter when you check out! These funds will go directly to the first porch swing for our park. Your donations in these jars will pay for the balance needed to purchase the swing and to install it this summer. It will be installed on the west side of the river, near Moreno Street and the high school where you can swing, enjoy the shade, and gaze over the river.

\$1 for your River & Park participating businesses, to date, include: Abraham's Tiendita, Art Essentials, Blue Moon, BTU Do It Center, Buena Vida Physical Therapy & Wellness, Charlie's Spic & Span, Cute & Sassy Boutique, Dichos at the El Fidel, El Encanto, El Zócalo, JC's Pizza, Las Vegas Diesel, Minerva Canna, Olivia's Café, Paper Trail, Straight Blade, Santa Fe Trails Visitors' Center (CCHP), The Skillet, Trujillo Insurance, and Groovy Grooming has stylin' doggie bandanas for a \$10 donation!