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**Suburban West Realtors® Association Awarded Placemaking Grant to Help Improve Kennett Community**

(MALVERN, PA ) – The Suburban West Realtors® Association has received a \$1,500 placemaking grant from the National Association of Realtors® to help fund the installation of a playground at Herb Pennock Park.

The playground installation was accomplished through a partnership between Suburban West, the Kennett Area Parks and Recreation Board, Kennett Square Borough, and Kennett Township on the project.

“Realtors® live, work and volunteer in their communities and take immense pride in working to improve them,” said Leann Murphy, chairman of Suburban West and a Realtor with Re/Max Preferred in West Chester. “This grant will allow us to address areas in the community that are in need of improvement and create a place where friends and neighbors can come together.”

Placemaking grants are awarded to local and state Realtor® associations to help them and their members initiate placemaking projects in communities they serve. Realtor® associations and their members are actively engaged in their communities and know the neighborhoods and the properties that would benefit most from these improvement efforts.

“As the Kennett area becomes more attractive and welcoming, nearby properties may also increase in value,” said Murphy.

For more information on the Herb Pennock Park and the other parks in the Kennett Community, visit <http://www.kaprb.com/>. To find out more about National Association of Realtors® placemaking grants visit, [realtoractioncenter.org/Placemaking](http://realtoractioncenter.org/Placemaking).

Suburban West Realtors® Association is the largest local real estate association in Pennsylvania, representing over 5,300 real estate professionals in Chester County, Delaware County and the Main Line.

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*Photo Caption: Suburban West Realtors® Association (SWRA) members and a Kennett Area Parks & Recreation representative pose in front of new playground at Herb Pennock Park. A \$1,500 grant secured by Suburban West helped fund the new equipment. Pictured are (L to R) Leann Murphy, chairman of SWRA; Luis Tova, SWRA member; Jennifer D'Amico, board member of SWRA; Steve D'Antonio, chairman-elect of SWRA; Claire Finfrock, Kennett Area Parks & Recreation Board; and Erin Smist, Suburban Realtors® Alliance staff.*