

Case Study

Federal Hill Playground



Details

Location: Baltimore, MD

Description: 3,444-square-feet of
Pigmented Tile

Flooring Choice: 481 2 ½ inch tiles and
380 4 ¼ inch tiles in Carmel Corn
Rock Candy, and Blueberry Pie

Project Needs

Custom colors

Custom logos

Aesthetically pleasing

Reduction in risks from falls

Project Benefits

Ergonomic

Slip Resistant

Easy to Install

Sustainable

Durable

MD Governor Attends Opening Ceremony for FHP Playground



Federal Hill Park (FHP), a signature landmark in Baltimore, Md., renovated its playground area with new equipment in 2014 that incorporates iconic, local historical structures. With the assistance of South Harbor Renaissance and dedicated efforts from Reservoir Hill Improvement Council, the playground includes: the Federalist Ship, Signal Hill Tower, and Fort Federal Hill. In the future for Phase Two of the project, FHP would like to feature the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

The playground committee selected Ecore, a company that transforms reclaimed waste into unique performance surfacing, to supply playground tiles that complemented each symbolic icon. Ecore's PlayGuard Safety Surfacing is designed to reduce the risk of serious injuries associated with falls while also providing custom color and logo capabilities. A mixture of tan and brown tiles were installed around the tower to

simulate dirt or sand, grey tiles were inserted to mimic stone around the train track, and a bright blue surface was installed to make the ship look like it's on water.

"The previous, generic rubber flooring was easily torn and the maintenance factor was a nightmare," said Eric Black, FHP project manager. "So the committee went with Ecore for the great color selection, knowing that it will hold up for years to come."

Along with other restorations throughout the park, the FHP playground was rededicated on September 14, 2014 in honor of Defenders' Day. Presiding Governor of Maryland, Martin O'Malley, was in attendance at the ribbon cutting ceremony, which officially commenced the playground being open to the community.

