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Door County Board of REALTORS® is Helping to Enhance Door County with the Creation of Frank E. Murphy Park Storybook trail

Sturgeon Bay WI, November 8, 2021 – The Door County Board of REALTORS® received a \$5,000 Placemaking grant from the National Association of REALTORS® to help transform the service road in **Frank E. Murphy Park in Egg Harbor** into handicap accessible children’s storybook trail, gather the family and head out to the easy to navigate paved trail telling the story of the Lighthouse Mouse along the shores of Green Bay, welcoming all to enjoy the beautiful vibrant area.

The grant was designed by NAR to ensure local REALTOR® Associations are partnering with other neighboring organizations to plan, organize, implement and maintain Lighter, Quicker, Cheaper placemaking projects in their communities

“Realtors® live, work and volunteer in their communities and take immense pride in our work to make **Door County** a better place to live, work, raise a family and visit,” said **Bonita Smrz President Door County Board of REALTORS® and Advocacy Committee Chair** “This grant gives us a tangible, immediate opportunity to identify and address areas in **Door County** that are in need of enhancement and revitalization and can be used for the greater good. Placemaking can help foster healthier, more social and economically viable communities, and creates places where people feel a strong stake in their neighborhoods and are committed to making things better.”

NAR offers Placemaking Grants to state and local REALTOR® Associations around the country to create new public spaces and destinations in a community, such as turning a parking spot into a people spot (parklet) or a vacant lot into a pocket park or garden.

“As the Door County area becomes more attractive and welcoming, nearby properties may also increase in value,” said **Bonita Smrz**.

For more information on the Murphy Park Storybook Trail, visit dcbr@dcbr.org or <https://www.co.door.wi.gov/542/Frank-E-Murphy-County-Park>

To find out more about National Association of REALTORS® placemaking program visit,
<https://realtorparty.realtor/community-outreach/housing-opportunity>

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