





Among the beneficiaries of this program will be the Somerset County Park Commission Therapeutic Recreation Program, which is a cooperative effort between the Park Commission and 16 municipalities to provide year-round recreation opportunities for people with developmental disabilities. The goal of the department is to promote an active leisure lifestyle that improves social, physical, cognitive, and emotional functioning and health while enhancing each participant's abilities.

#### CHILDREN, TEEN AND ADULT PROGRAMS

**Recreation Activities:** A variety of social, cultural, artistic, culinary, sports, fitness, community outings, horticulture, and overnight trips are available for participants with learning and developmental disabilities. The benefits of participation include social skills, self-esteem, wellness, physical ability, communication skills, and constructive use of leisure time.

**T.R.A.I.L.S.:** This is an adapted horseback riding program (Therapeutic Recreation Adapted Instruction at Lord Stirling) run in conjunction with Lord Stirling Stable for teens and adults who have a developmental disability.

TR Travelers: Four weeks of fun and adventure for high school teens and young adults, ages 15-21, who are receiving special education services due to a learning disability, Asperger's Syndrome, high functioning autism or a mild intellectual disability. The goal is to build self-esteem and confidence, develop friendships, encourage, team building, teach independence, and improve life skills through daily trips and activities.

**Inclusion Services:** The TR staff helps to support inclusion by assisting other Somerset County Park Commission departments and municipal recreation departments with program adaptation or modification, behavior management support, and staff training to allow people with disabilities to choose to participate in programs/camps with persons without disabilities.



### FOUNDATION of OPPORTUNITIES

# Buy-A-Brick



Proceeds to benefit the
SOMERSET COUNTY PARK COMMISSION
RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Sponsored by
Somerset County Park Foundation

In cooperation with
Somerset County Board of County Commissioners

#### **PROCEEDS**

The proceeds from the "Buy-A-Brick" program will be utilized by the Somerset County Park Foundation Scholarship Fund to assist participants of the Park Commission's Therapeutic Recreation Department. The Foundation recognizes the efforts of the Therapeutic Recreation Department and the fact that annually, one-quarter of the participants need financial assistance in order to participate in the programs. Additionally, for most children with learning disabilities, the programs provide the only avenue to develop friendships with peers. For some adult participants, this may be their sole community contact and opportunity for social interaction other than their families.

#### LOCATION

The engraved bricks purchased through the "Buy-A-Brick" program will be installed in the grand main entry plaza to the TD Bank Ballpark home of the Somerset Patriots Baseball Club. The location of our bricks in the main entry plaza of the ballpark offers purchasers an opportunity to convey their personalized message or remembrance to literally thousands of event attendees.

#### **RECOGNIZE**

You can recognize family members, friends, loved-ones, or those who have made meaningful contributions to our lives and the legacy of Somerset County. The "Buy-A-Brick" program provides everyone with an affordable opportunity to be permanently recognized as a shareholder in one of Somerset County's most exciting public spaces.

Somerset County Park Foundation is a recognized non-profit organization whose mission is to support the Somerset County Park Commission in its efforts to enhance programs, services, and facilities. The Foundation is registered with the State of New Jersey as a Charitable Organization; #CH0871200-03, and is recognized by the IRS; I.D. #22-2562113. A portion of your purchase may qualify as a donation. Please contact your personal tax advisor.







## **BUY-A-BRICK APPLICATION** "Foundation of Opportunities"

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