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City of Kentwood Will Host Bark for the Park Event on May 16 ***Annual Fundraiser Will Benefit Kellogg Woods Dog Park***

Kentwood, Michigan, May 1, 2024 – The City of Kentwood’s annual Bark for the Park event is set for Thursday, May 16 to raise funds for new dog park amenities at Kellogg Woods Park.

The dog-friendly event takes place 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Kellogg Woods Park, 275 Kellogg Woods Park Drive SE. Admission is free, and financial donations are accepted throughout the event. No registration is required.

Attendees and their canine companions can interact with a variety of local pet vendors and community booths, including veterinary clinics, grooming companies, the Wyoming Police K9 unit and more. The event will feature a pet craft station, photo booth and dog agility course. Each attendee also will receive a bag filled with dog treats and other favors to take home.

At 6:30 p.m., attendees will have a chance to show off their pup’s style by participating in a doggy fashion show. The crowd favorite will receive a gift basket.

[Dune Buggy](#) and [Kona Ice of West Grand Rapids](#) food trucks will be on-site with burgers, fries, shaved ice and beverages available for purchase.

“Kellogg Woods Park continues to be a popular place for community members to enjoy with their pups,” said Shelby Henshaw, Kentwood recreation program coordinator. “This event offers a fun opportunity for dog lovers to connect in support of the dog park, ensuring it remains a wonderful spot for furry friends for years to come.”

Funds raised at this year’s event will go toward the purchase of shade sails, which will provide much needed shade in the dogpark. The event is sponsored by Bloom Sluggett PC, Metronet, Candra’s Grooming Company, Animal Hospital of Kentwood, Pleasant Hearts Pet Food Pantry, All Weather Seal, Kent County Animal Shelter, Novo Chiropractic and K9 Kuisine. Additional sponsorship opportunities and opportunities to become a vendor for the event are still available.

There are also [volunteer opportunities](#) available for this event. Volunteers will help with event setup, bag stuffing, photo booth operations, craft activity facilitation or other activities as assigned.

For more event information, visit kentwood.us/BarkForThePark.

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