



## *MV@PLAY: A Vision for Renewing Athletic Facilities on the Vineyard*

- ▶ Community & Access – Health & Safety – Sustainability & Durability



# About MV@PLAY

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- ▶ **Mission:** *To create a safe, centrally located, all- inclusive athletic facility with access to public transportation and organized parking for the Vineyard community.*
  - ▶ **Who we are:** MV@PLAY was created by local citizens who believe the children and the broader Island community deserve safe, compliant, first-rate athletic facilities.
  - ▶ **Project Overview:** This \$12 million project constitutes a major renovation of the athletic campus of the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School(MVRHS) where 1000+ high school, youth and adult athletes practice and play each year. Through generous donations including over 20 local businesses, Gale Associates, an engineering and consulting firm, has formulated a three-phase master plan for rebuilding the MVRHS sports campus
    - ▶ This includes all necessary design documents for Phase 1 of the project.
  - ▶ **Phase I Deadline:** Construction needs to begin in September 2016
    - ▶ The track and field teams will not be allowed to use the deteriorating existing track for the Spring 2017 season unless it is rebuilt.
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## A Phased Approach

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- ▶ **Phase I: Track and Infield (\$3.5 Million)**
  - ▶ New Track with Field Event Features, New Synthetic Turf Field
  - ▶ Track & Field, Women's Lacrosse and Field Hockey
- ▶ **Phase II: Reconfigure Multi-Sport Fields, Softball, Baseball (\$5 Million)**
  - ▶ Three Synthetic Turf Fields, Grass Baseball Field, Two Grass Softball Fields
  - ▶ Men's & Women's Soccer, Men's Lacrosse, Youth/Adult Sports
  - ▶ Restrooms, Training and Locker Rooms
- ▶ **Phase III: Reconfigure McCarthy Field & Grass Surfaces (\$3.5 Million)**
  - ▶ Football, Varsity Events – Synthetic Field
  - ▶ Two Grass Multi-Sport Fields
  - ▶ Volleyball Court





MV Regional High-School

MV Sharks

Edgartown/Vineyard Haven Road

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## Our Vision – Phase I (Begins Fall 2016)



- 6 Lane Oval / 8 Lane Chute
- Increased Radius: 104 FT to 115 Ft.
- Paved / Surfaced "D-Areas"
- Field Events Relocated out of Infield
- Scoring / Timing Infrastructure Added
- Synthetic Turf Field Installed with Organic Infill
- Lighting and Seating Added





# Future Facility Schematic PHASE II

Estimated Cost: \$5 million

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- One natural grass baseball field
- Two natural grass softball fields
- Three synthetic turf with organic infill multi-sport fields with lighting
- Increased parking
- Field house equipped with bathrooms, training room, locker rooms, coaches and referee rooms







## Athletic Fields – Current State

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- ▶ MVRHS athletic fields are in deplorable condition
    - ▶ Track has been declared ineligible by the MIAA for events
    - ▶ Event elements (long jump, etc) are inside the track oval and present multiple hazards
    - ▶ Field inside oval is mainly dirt and not playable due to overuse
    - ▶ Soccer/lacrosse/field hockey fields are mainly dirt by the end of each season, are uneven and present hazards
    - ▶ McCarthy Field is the only fertilized field in use, and is only able to be used for varsity games
    - ▶ The high school is unable to maintain fields with only two maintenance people and lack of resources
    - ▶ Field configuration is not optimized to maximize available space
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## Current State Photos





## Athletic Event Participation Levels

*Current event loads are unsustainable on existing facilities – transition to synthetic surfaces for some fields and adding lights maximizes playability and extends seasons.*

Field Use - Current Participation Levels	Events per Year
YOUTH SPORTS PROGRAMS MULTI-SPORT FIELD USE	1116
HIGH SCHOOL MULTI-SPORT FIELD USE	1014
SUMMER SPORT CAMPS	128
<u>ADULT &amp; SUMMER SPORTS LEAGUES</u>	<u>80</u>
<b>TOTAL EVENTS PER YEAR</b>	<b>2338</b>
<b>GRASS FIELDS NEEDED TO HANDLE CURRENT EVENTS</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>SYNTHETIC FIELDS NEEDED TO HANDLE CURRENT EVENTS</b>	<b>4</b>





## The Case for Using Synthetic Turf

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- ▶ MVRHS requirements for maintenance and availability
  - ▶ Event loads at this location will exceed the durability of grass.
  - ▶ All weather playability
  - ▶ Field always remains in safe playable condition for entire life
  - ▶ Pesticide and fertilizer free
  - ▶ No storm water run off
  - ▶ Reduction in chance of concussions due to better shock attenuation
  - ▶ Organic infill has been selected to meet health, performance and safety concerns
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## Your Involvement

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- ▶ This project is expected to cost \$12 million and needs to be 100% privately funded
  - ▶ MV@PLAY wishes to lessen the financial strain the athletics portion places on the overall MVRHS budget.
  - ▶ Allows taxpayer funds to funnel focus on the high school's primary obligations — education and infrastructure
- ▶ Your tax deductible donation helps the entire Vineyard community
- ▶ Please contact us. [mvatplay@gmail.com](mailto:mvatplay@gmail.com)



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