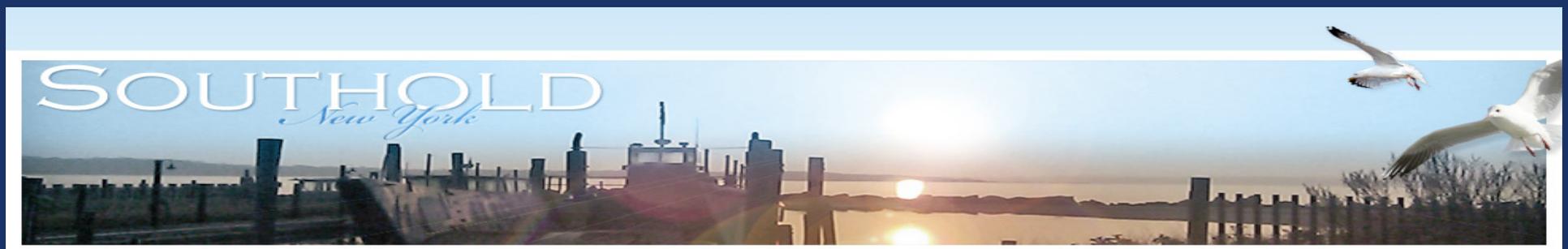


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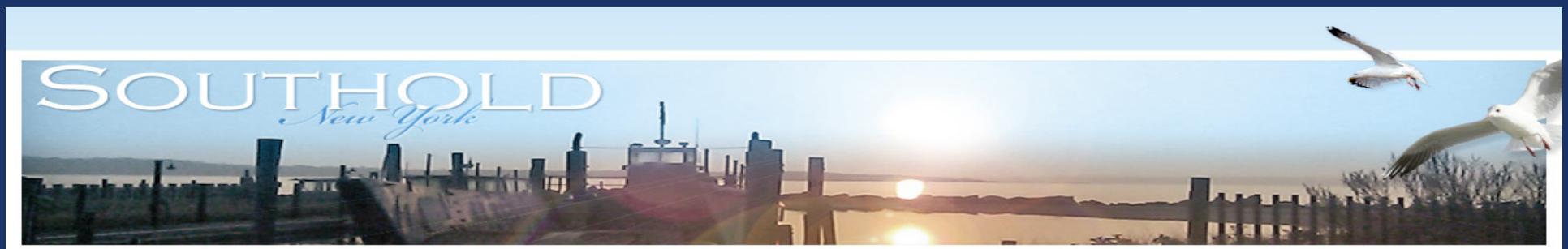
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The New York State
motto is "Excelsior," or
"ever upward."



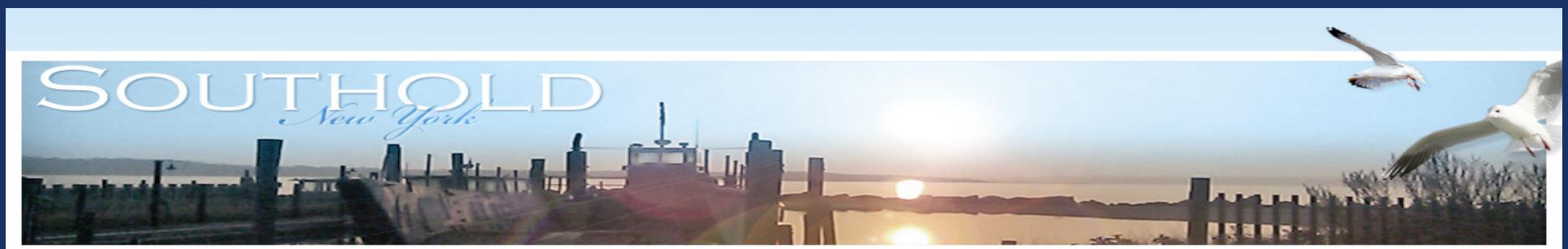
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In other words...
always *improving.*

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Southold is always **improving.**



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For example, a recent project completed by the **Parks, Beaches and Recreation Committee** made Southold more wonderful and unique.

Meet the
Reichert Family
Community
Playground.



This playground has improved Southold in three (3) distinct ways.



This new installation has:

1. brought the town further into compliance with accessibility guidelines and areas covered by Department of Justice inquiry;
2. advanced the spirit of the Americans with Disabilities Act;
3. and made Southold one of the few municipalities with accessible recreation.

1. Accessibility

- The Reichert Family Community Playground is unique because it has features that make it accessible to families who live with disability.

For example...



The path and play area surfaces are even, smooth, and level, making it easy for people with mobility or sight impairments to traverse. The material itself is springy and built to make tumbles less dangerous.



And this play car opens to the side, allowing a child wheelchair user to transfer more easily, or any child to find an easier step-up.



1. Accessibility

By including features like these, the Reichert Family Community Playground addresses some of the points in existing Department of Justice guidelines.

2. Spirit of Law

This playground also promotes access to civil life and involvement, as envisioned by the Americans with Disabilities Act.



2. Spirit of Law



On July 26, 1990, President George H. W. Bush signed into law the Americans with Disabilities Act (“ADA”) saying these words, “Let the shameful wall of exclusion finally come tumbling down.”

2. Spirit of Law



By focusing on accessibility, this playground promotes inclusion rather than exclusion, and acceptance over tolerance.

3. Leadership

Finally, Southold has improved its standing among municipalities by offering a unique feature: accessible recreation.

While the interest in accessible playgrounds is rising, few playgrounds are actually accessible.

In a recent effort by National Public Radio to catalog accessible playgrounds, a handful were identified across Long Island, and none east of Brookhaven.

Playgrounds For Everyone

A community-edited guide to accessible playgrounds. So far, we've identified 1,848. Help us find more!



On Your Smartphone: Visit
npr.org/playgrounds



GOOD JOB,
bringing accessibility home!

And now...

Back to Work

Reichert Park is just one of many example of projects that improve Southhold.

There is so much more that we can do.

Reichert Park was made possible by a team of town officials, committee members, volunteers, and town residents.

Back to Work

With your help, the Town of Southold can do more and do better by completing more projects like the Reichert Playground.

If you think that you or your business can help in future projects, contact:

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