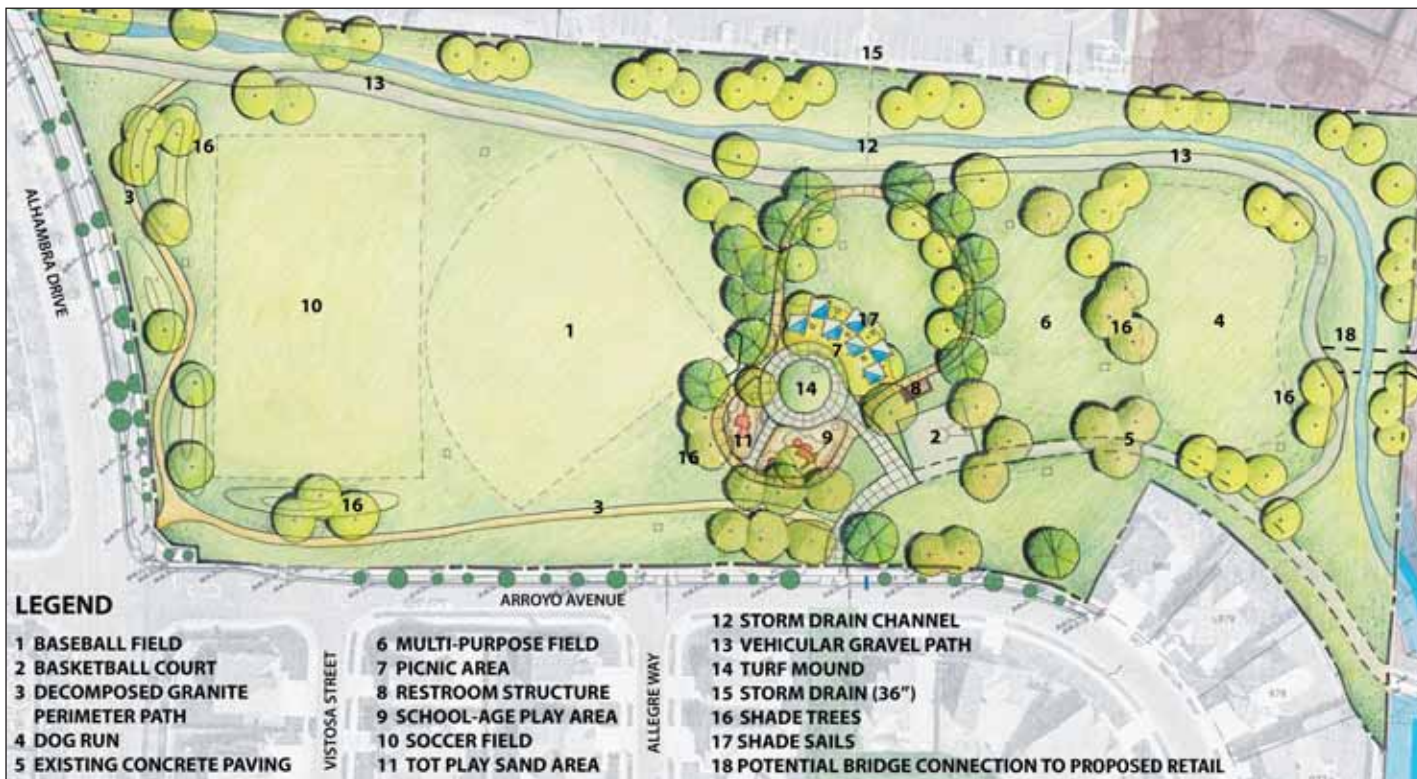


Newest neighborhood park officially named for John Barovetto

The newest neighborhood park, under construction at the corner of Alhambra Drive and Arroyo Avenue, has been officially named "John Barovetto Park." The park honors the memory of Barovetto, a Davis resident who served two tours of duty in the Vietnam War and spearheaded a number of local humanitarian efforts to help support orphanages in Vietnam.

The city's Recreation and Park Commission recommended the name John Barovetto Park in response to community members who sought a way to recognize the former Davis Senior High School student body president, who lost his life while on his second duty tour in Vietnam. The Davis City Council approved the recommendation of the Recreation and Park Commission on July 11.

John Barovetto Park is a seven-acre facility designed to serve the East Mace Ranch neighborhood. It will include a playground, picnic facilities, natural and landscaped areas, and multi-use open fields. Park construction, which began July 19, is expected to be completed in the winter. Look for an upcoming announcement about the grand opening of John Barovetto Park.



John Barovetto is pictured in Vietnam surrounded by children believed to be residents of an orphanage he helped support. The newest neighborhood park in east Davis has been named after this local veteran who was killed in action during his second tour of duty in the war.

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