

# OLE! TEXAS

OUTDOOR LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

Footprints Childcare and Learning Center  
Baytown, TX



The new Footprints facility was a former childcare center that was updated and renovated. The previous center had a capacity of 62 infant, toddler, pre-kindergarten, and school age kids, which will be increased at the new facility. The OLE! Texas design workshop was sponsored by the Harris County Department of Health's Healthy

Living Matters program and was facilitated by the TTU Coalition for Natural Learning. The outdoor space at the new location included a set of swings, large manufactured equipment, and a spray ground, all of which was incorporated into the new outdoor learning environment. The swing set will be moved to provide a

larger lawn area surrounded by a looping curvy pathway. Other features include natural areas such as the "Gosling Creek Bayou" that collects runoff from the splash pad and a xeric arboretum with native and adapted low water use plantings.



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