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### **PROP Nex FAMILY ZONE AT GARDENS BY THE BAY**

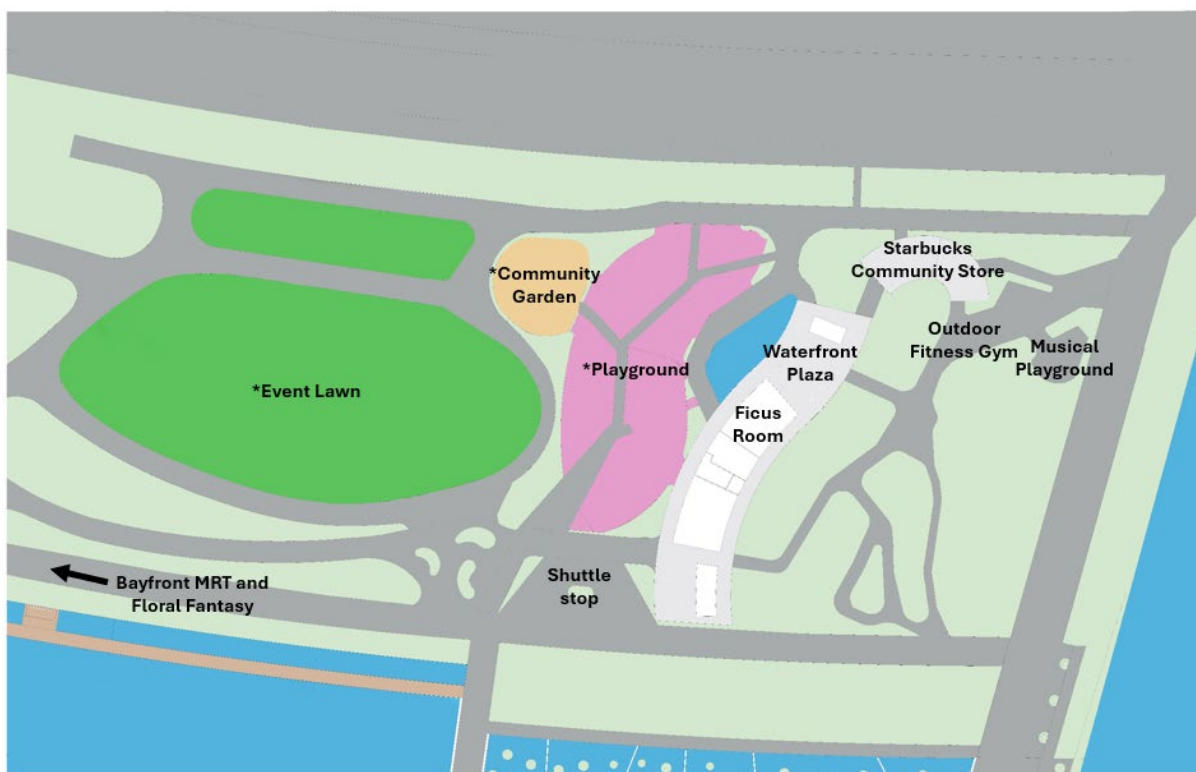
The launch today introduces new and refreshed facilities, such as Singapore's first family-themed destination playground, expanded Community Garden, and a redeveloped Event Lawn. Upcoming in 2026 is a Community Stage at the Event Lawn, where outdoor family-focused events can be held. These facilities enhance the existing ones around the area, which include an Outdoor Fitness Gym, Musical Playground, Waterfront Plaza and Ficus Room event spaces, and Singapore's only Starbucks Community Store.

There are now more purpose-built spaces to complement a variety of programmes for families and the community, hosted by Gardens by the Bay and its partner social service agencies. This is in addition to the about 900 wedding solemnisations by the Registry of Marriages and Registry of Muslim Marriages that have taken place to date, as well as ongoing Families for Life parenting and grandparenting programmes, workshops, and carnivals.

Conveniently located within walking distance of Bayfront MRT station, the PropNex Family Zone is also accessible via Gardens by the Bay's shuttle service.



*The location of PropNex Family Zone at Gardens by the Bay*



*Map of the various amenities at PropNex Family Zone (\*indicates new or refreshed facilities)*

## **New and enhanced elements of the Family Zone**

### **Playground**



Spanning 2,000 sqm, this playground is the first family-themed destination playground in Singapore.

Featuring Families for Life mascot Becky Bunny, it is designed with educational and play elements. Children can experience varied movements and graduated challenges with the specially customised play equipment. At the same time, there are common spaces as well as little demarcation between different subzones, so that social interaction and inclusive play is encouraged between children of different abilities.

More than one-fifth of the playground is shaded play areas that enhance both functionality and appeal. Shaded areas help to keep the play equipment cool to the touch, ensuring a safer and more comfortable experience for children. They also provide a space for family members to relax and supervise young ones at play, making the playground experience more communal.

- A family-themed space



The playground embodies core family values through its design and engaging features, creating a space where children and families can learn, play, and bond together. A key attraction is Becky Bunny, the mascot of Families for Life. She is represented by a larger-than-life play structure consisting of a slide and climbing elements.



Sculptures of Becky Bunny's family members are situated throughout the playground. They are heartwarming visual reminders of the importance of family.



Reflecting Becky Bunny's love for traditional local treats, customised play elements shaped like *kueh lapis* and *ang ku kueh* add a fun and local element to the space.





Specially customised play equipment teach children the family values, love, care and concern, commitment and respect through interactive play. This fosters learning about values in a fun and engaging environment.

- **Inclusive play**

The playground is designed as an inclusive space where children of all ages and abilities can interact and play together in a common area. The unbarricaded subzones accommodate different age groups, with open spaces that encourage social interaction. Inclusive features are subtly integrated into the design, ensuring that children of different needs and abilities can be part of the play experience.



The landmark towers and bridge offer physical challenges for older children. At the same time, they are designed with accessibility in mind. For example, their open structure allows children with hearing impairment to maintain visual contact with caregivers, ensuring that playtime remains both safe and enjoyable for all.

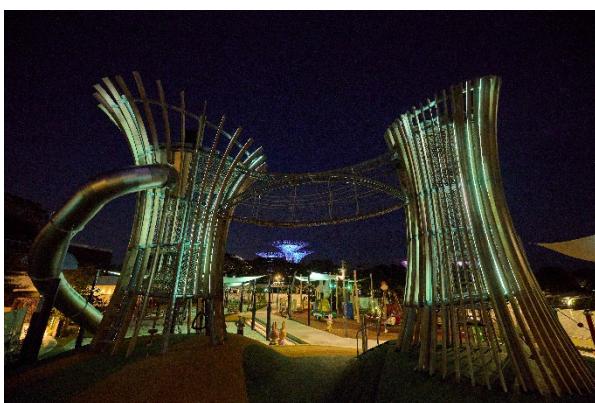


Play equipment in the playground foster a barrier-free environment for inclusive play. For instance, the entry height of the swing makes it easier for children with physical disabilities to transfer into. The seesaw is a wide platform so that children of varied mobility can be assisted onto it and lie, sit, or stand on it. The intention is to allow them to experience playing on a seesaw, either alone or in groups.



Additionally, the playground offers quiet retreat areas and more stimulating areas of play, catering to neurodiverse children. Children overwhelmed by sensory inputs can choose to retract to the quiet areas, while hypo-sensitive children who require additional stimulation can interact with play equipment designed for more vigorous play.

- **Night illumination**



The playground is the first-of-its-kind in Singapore to feature night illumination. As night falls, the main tower will be lit up with synchronised lights and the sandpit will feature creative light projections. This captivating feature extends playtime into the evening and enhances families' experience after dark.

## Community Garden



Managed entirely by volunteers with guidance from Gardens by the Bay horticulturists, the Community Garden has been expanded to 440 sqm.

It is dedicated to growing edibles such as bananas, lettuce and basil. Squash, radish and jujube – edibles less common in community gardens in Singapore – are also grown here. In addition, heritage seeds are also being trialled. These are traditional crop varieties at risk of being lost because they are cultivated in only a small geographical area or by very few producers. An example in the Community Garden is Ravanello

Rosso Gigante, a radish variety from the Italian island of Sardegna.





Accessible raised planter beds and wide paths allow everyone, including people in wheelchairs to join in the gardening experience.

A sheltered pavilion, featuring a high-transparency roof, maximises sunlight to support plant growth while providing shelter from rain. Equipped with fans, tables and seating, the pavilion also serves as a venue to host volunteers running small group programmes.

### Event Lawn and Upcoming Community Stage



The 3,500 sqm upgraded Event Lawn is equipped with a high-standard subsoil drainage system that rapidly removes water after heavy rain, keeping the area dry and continuously usable as an event space. Its levelled design also enhances accessibility and comfort for users of all ages and abilities.

By 2026, a new Community Stage will be built on the lawn for family-friendly community events. An example of this is the inclusive community events jointly organised by Gardens by the Bay and its partner social service agencies. These events are designed to cater

to a wide range of beneficiaries such as seniors and individuals with special needs, ensuring that everyone has an opportunity to participate and engage in meaningful activities.

### Existing Facilities at the Family Zone

The Family Zone at Gardens by the Bay has been a space for the community to bond even before the development of the new Playground and other enhanced facilities. These are the existing elements of the Family Zone.

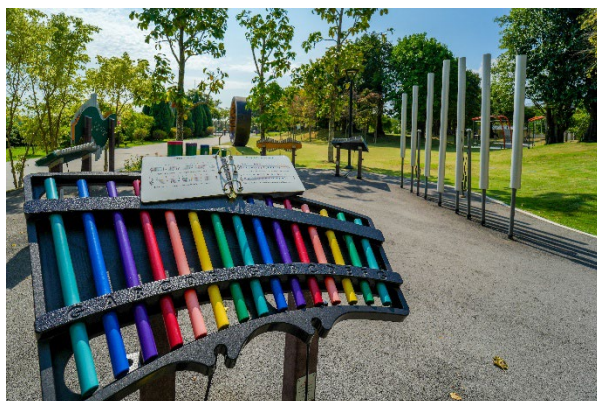


### Outdoor Fitness Gym



The outdoor fitness gym is equipped with various gym equipment, including a flat bench, knee-lift high bar, and spring-up board for visitors to work out while enjoying the verdant surroundings facing the waterfront.

### Musical Playground



This interactive space allows people of all ages to collaborate and enjoy music through outdoor musical instruments such as a xylophone, drum set and other percussion instruments.

### Waterfront Plaza



The open-air, sheltered plaza is an al fresco event venue nestled within the greenery of the gardens.



### Ficus Room



The multi-purpose space is the first offsite location for the Registry of Marriages and the Registry of Muslim Marriages to hold solemnisations. Since November 2022, about 900 marriages have been solemnised. The space can also be used for community-focused workshops and seminars.

### Starbucks Community Store



Opened in November 2022, this is Singapore's first and only Starbucks Community Store. Nestled amidst lush greenery and waterfront surroundings, the store aims to support mental wellness and foster community engagement.

The space features informative panels that offer self-care tips and resources, encouraging awareness of mental wellness. In addition, a portion of the proceeds of every cup sold in store will be donated to Gardens by the Bay's Gift of Gardens community outreach initiative.

In line with Gardens by the Bay's sustainability efforts, the Starbucks Community Store sets aside used coffee grounds for Gardens by the Bay's horticulturists to do composting, which can be used to enrich soil for growing plants. The Starbucks Community Store is also pet-friendly.