



Kindness Rocks Willistown Parks & Recreation!

Willistown Parks & Recreation is looking to sow seeds of encouragement, compassion, and humor. Let's advance kindness in our community and beyond by spreading positivity far and wide and introducing our youth to the experience of giving and receiving compassion. The [Willistown Parks & Rec Department](#) endeavors

to foster healthy minds, bodies, and spirits by encouraging a love of being outdoors and a connection to nature through creating lasting, happy memories there. This is the stuff of great communities—join us!

General Guidelines: (Please go to willistown.pa.us for live links if this is a paper copy.)

- Paint your rock in a way you think will inspire the finder or make them smile.
- Attach a printed label, [GO WilMa!](#) and Willistown labels are below, or write on the back: Keep or re-hide. Post a pic to FB GO WilMa or Willistown Township. Use #KindnessRocksGoWilMa! or #KindnessRocksWillistown
- Seal your rock and hide it for someone to find!
- Don't get discouraged if your rock doesn't get posted. You can be sure your rock made someone smile!

Please Don't Hide Your Rocks Here:

- The grass! (risk to equipment and workers)
- Businesses that sell painted rocks.
- State or National Parks, it goes against the "Take nothing, leave nothing" policy
- Historic Sites like Paoli Battlefield and Historic Sugartown

Do Hide Them Outside in Public:

- on signposts
- on ledges
- on curbs
- in the knot of a tree
- in a park (not State or National!)
- at the playground (not in the grass or a rock small enough to swallow)



Getting Started:

1. **Rocks:** smooth, flat rocks work best but, there are no limits to your imagination! The best place to find river stones are places like Home Depot, your local quarry, garden center, or use the ones in your backyard. Make sure you wash off any dirt and let the rock dry fully before painting.
2. **Paint supplies:** Brushes, Acrylic Paint, Outdoor UV Acrylic Sealant, Outdoor Mod Podge for attaching the labels. Michael's has supplies at reasonable prices. We spray paint the rocks, let them dry, outdoor Mod Podge the labels to the bottom (only takes 15 minutes for it to dry), and paint pen away! A coat of outdoor uv acrylic spray and you're good to go.
3. **Technique Tips:**
 - Paint a white background or silhouette of your image, then paint the image on top to help the colors pop! We use spray paint...but you need to do that outside!
 - Experiment with different mediums and methods! Paint pens are fab! Gel pens and colored pencils are a great alternative to acrylic in a pinch.
 - Decoupage your rock! Separate the layers of a paper napkin or use a printed image. Put a little Mod Podge on the rock, place the center of the napkin or image where you want it. Work from the center out. Use a tapping motion with a sponge "brush"...dragging will cause a tear. Paint on top! See decoupage instructions via [Joy Wertz Houp](#).
4. **Printable Labels**
 - [Kindness Rocks GO WilMa! Labels/Tags](#)
 - [Kindness Rocks Willistown! Labels/Tags](#)

"One message, at just the right time, can make someone's entire day...outlook...life!"

Visit www.thekindnessrocksproject.com/howto to learn more!

Special thanks to [Kindness Rocks Chester and Montgomery County](#) and Lisa for sharing her tips with us!