

KABOOM 'BUILD DAY' AT LEROY HAYNES CENTER

Some 360 volunteers -- making it the largest one-day volunteer effort in the history of the LeRoy Haynes Center -- helped with the construction of a KaBOOM! playground for the kids at LeRoy Haynes in a program sponsored by the non-profit KaBOOM! along with Dr. Pepper Snapple Group, Mott's and Stater Bros. Charities as well as numerous local contributing companies.

The "build day" -- in which the entire project was completed in a single day -- followed a planning day last May in which the children themselves participated in the design of what they wanted as their own "dream" playground.

KaBOOM! is building 185 playgrounds around the country this year to encourage healthy and active lifestyles for youngsters. The LeRoy Haynes project was Number 1,795 for KaBOOM!



Actress and Mott's spokesperson Marcia Cross, at left, with KaBOOM! project manager Ann Gaudard as the two ratchet down the final pieces of a climbing wall for the kids.



Students from the School of Arts and Enterprise in Pomona putting the finishing touches on a mural designed for the day



Volunteers lift part of a newly constructed amphitheater stage into place



More volunteers team up to lift the "slide" portion of the playground set into place as wheelbarrows of "ready to pour" concrete are lined up and ready to go.