## UPDATE - BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL FIELDS RENOVATION PROJECT

We're in the home stretch! Construction on the KDS Baseball and Softball Fields Renovation Project, which began in late June, is scheduled for completion in just a few short weeks – just in time for the season opening.



Despite record rainfall in December and frigid temperatures in January, the field work and dugouts are complete, the electrical work is finished, and the seating patio has been poured. Dugout benches were constructed by the Agri-Science students, and bat and helmet 'cubbies' were built by a volunteer. The fencing and the stone backstop are near

completion, and should be wrapped up in the next two weeks.





Work remaining includes installation of dugout rail fencing and padding; installation of backstop padding, outfield fence cap, and windscreen; installation of fixed stadium seats and metal bleachers; and installation of the backstop netting for both fields.

The Marshall County Commission has generously offered to pave the parking lot, which will have a huge impact on the overall appearance of the facilities.

This is a large project with an approximate total cost in excess of \$300,000, and **sponsorships are still needed** to ensure its success. The softball field portion of the project is being taken on by Florida State Society DAR as a Regent's Project of Ginger Poffenberger, but additional funding is required to complete the necessary work on the baseball field.

All campaign contributions are 100% tax deductible, and pledges are welcome. Contact Heather Green (<a href="https://netp.net">https://netp.net</a>) or Beth Cagle (<a href="https://netp.net">bcagle@nehp.net</a>) for more information on securing a sponsorship. The Donor Wall will be installed over the summer in time for the official field dedication ceremony in October 2016 during the NSDAR National Bus Tour.