

**Director's Report  
For August 10, 2016**

**Board of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services  
Play. Every Day.**

*The mission of the Department of Parks and Recreation is to preserve our parks and open spaces and provide essential recreational programs and cultural services in a safe, professional and friendly manner.*

**Projects**

1. **LC Fountain**

A. Operating normally. No Change.

2. **Miscellaneous Projects**

A. Washington Park Bowl – West Light Repairs: All but one light is operating. PO has been issued to Bohm for repairs.

B. Lincoln Park Baseball Lighting: Project in process.

C. Pathway Lighting Replacement: The City wide lighting project will include light replacements for the Lake Michigan Pathway system. Field work on project is continuing. Anticipated completion is late 2016. No change.

3. **Park Shelters**

A. Washington Park Bowl Restroom Rehab: Building has been cleaned of ACM materials. Currently doing field work for restroom renovations.

B. Solbraa Shelter Renovation: Project on hold. No change.

4. **Parks Paving**

A. Asphalt Sealing: Purchase request for asphalt sealing projects for Horlick & Lockwood parking lots has been issued. Both parking lots are scheduled to be complete before August 30.

B. Marino Park Basketball Court: Field work and plans in process.

C. Parks Service Center: Field work for concept plans has begun for paving the parking area at Parks Service. NM&B Consultants will be preparing plans and specifications. No Change.

5. **Community Centers**

A. Bryant:

i. Harmony Park: Provided full size concept plans for development of Bryant Harmony Park. No change.

B. Chavez:

i. Rehab Room 24: Field work and planning has begun. RBS Architects will be providing plans & specifications.

ii. Chavez Gym Lighting Upgrade: The City wide lighting project will include light replacement in both Chavez gyms. Field work on project is complete. Anticipated completion is late 2016. No change.

C. Humble:

i. Humble Gym Lighting Upgrade: The City wide lighting project will include light replacement in the Humble gym. Field work on project is complete. Anticipated completion is late 2016. No change.

D. King

i. None.

E. Tyler-Domer

- i. Tyler-Domer Gym Lighting Upgrade: The City wide lighting project will include light replacement in the Tyler Domer gym. Field work on project is complete. Anticipated completion is late 2016. No change.

6. Cemeteries:

A. Mound & Graceland:

- i. CIMS Updates: Upgrade of drawings to Auto-Cad of Mound Cemetery is complete. Will complete revisions to match CIMS upgrades as they are available. No change.
- ii. Crypt Repairs: Crypt repairs for 2016 in process at Graceland. As anticipated, other defects were found behind the stone and marble finishes. The defects were repaired. Project in process.

B. Mound:

- i. Mound Pond Fence Extension: Plans & specifications are complete and have been submitted to Purchasing for bidding.
- ii. Section 5 Road Infill: In process for Common Council approval of plots.

C. Graceland:

- i. 2016 Roads & Walks Upgrades: Have received completed plans to resolve water issues at the Graceland main entry road. Expect bid out earlier August for mid-September construction. (No Change)

7. Golf Courses:

A. Johnson:

- i. Painting Club House: Working on plans and specifications for stucco repair & painting of Club House. There is extensive need for stucco repair throughout the building exterior. Project is currently out for bid.
- ii. Club House Basement Wall Issues: DPW's consultant has reviewed the structure and provided some options for repair. PRCS will be submitting a 2017 CIP project for repair.
- iii. Painting Office/Pro Shop: Field work is complete. Will not bid out project until the cost of repairs of the Club House is known. Project currently out for bid.

B. Washington:

- i. Raised Storm Drains: DPW sent crew. Removed ring from storm drain covers to allow proper drainage.

C. Shoop:

- i. Drainage Issues: Had consultant review existing drainage issues. Recommendation is to locate and clean all inlets and drainage outfalls, and then send a camera down piping to verify condition of piping. Field work for repair options in process.

8. Wustum:

- A. Landscape Improvements: Hired Corre Group Landscape Architect to develop plans and specifications for grounds improvements. Preliminary plans have been submitted for approval. Construction documents are being developed. No change.
- B. Front Porch Painting: Plans & Specifications complete. Project currently out for bids. No change.
- C. Replacement of Windows: Original building - plans & specifications complete. Project currently out for bids. No change.
- D. Parking Lot Lighting Replacement: Wustum parking lot lighting has been included with the DPW City wide lighting improvements for 2016. Anticipated completion is late 2016. No change.

9. **Zoo:**

- A. Roof Replacement Feline/Primate Building: The roof project will be bid in August for an early October through mid-November construction. PRCS has been coordinating the anticipated construction needs with Zoo Animal Welfare and Administration personnel.
- B. Zoo Lighting Replacement: Zoo lighting has been included with the DPW City wide lighting improvements for 2016. Anticipated completion is late 2016. No change.

10. Percentage of YTD - PFS Hours Charged to CIP as of July 31, 2016 = **87.7%**

**Parks**

1. **Parks Division:**

- A. Had maximum number of employees scheduled for vacation most of July.
- B. Set up, took down and cleaned-up for the Ironman Triathlon.
- C. Removed all the extra snow fencing at North Beach.
- D. Graded the sand underneath the beach matting to create a smoother walking surface. This required the complete removal and re-placement of the mat.
- E. Light grass cutting was performed to mainly keep up with the weeds.
- F. Installed new rubber mats under the swings at Kids Cove to help with the "divots" normally found under swings
- G. Did a fair amount of flail mowing to edges of the following parks: Simonsen, Washington Park Golf Course parking lot, Erskine Park, Lincoln Park, Dominick Drive, Johnson Park trails.
- H. Placed wood chips on Northwestern Ave. medians and on planting beds behind the Zoo by the stairs.
- I. Spent 2 days with 2 full time employees removing graffiti on the wall on 12<sup>th</sup> Street (some refer to this as the "Park High School wall").
- J. Some college students are already done working their positions for the season. Manpower is declining, though we remain in full summer work mode.

2. **Forestry Division:**

- A. Finished treating 659 ash trees to protect against emerald ash borer.
- B. Applied for "Emerald Ash Borer Mitigation" grant funds.
- C. Responded to approximately 50 reports of branches down and/or hanging branches.
- D. Removed 106 trees.
- E. Pruned 333 trees.
- F. Completed the annual tree removal survey of 25,000+ public trees. Approximately 400 trees were identified and marked for removal. This is in addition to the 300 trees crews already removed this calendar year.

**Recreation**

1. **Upcoming events and programs:**

- A. Feeding America will take place on Wednesday, August 10 from 3:00 pm-6:00 pm at the Bryant Community Center.

2. **Youth Activities:**

- A. The Playground program has been running smoothly even with the summer heat wave. Each week a combined total of 2500+ kids are attending the summer program, special events and fieldtrips.
- B. The Summer Lunch Program ended Thursday, July 28. Staff delivered over 300 meals per day at the Bryant, King and Tyler - Domer Community Centers.
- C. Over 20 playground participants attended a free fishing day on Saturday, July 9.

### 3. **Adult Activities:**

- A. Summer Softball is coming to an end. Staff is rescheduling rainouts and postponements to determine league champions. No city softball tournament will be played due to low team entries.
- B. Registration has begun for Fall Softball and Fall Kickball. Leagues will begin play at the end of August.

### 4. **Miscellaneous:**

- A. The Movies in the Park series has drawn an average of 250 people per showing. The last movie was August 6 at Matson Park. A special thank you to Landmark Credit Union for sponsoring a movie night.
- B. Over 50 athletes and 700 spectators attended the Lake F/X games, featuring Scooterama, Lake F/X skateboard, and BM-X-Treme Bike Competitions on July 23 at the Pershing Skate Park. The event was co-sponsored by Warren Industries, Gateway Technical College, Sky High Skate Shop, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Coast Bike shop (replacing Racine Cyclery.)

## **Community Centers**

### 1. **King Center:**

- A. Held a Back Yard Party, (out of school picnic) on Friday, July 22 from 3:30 – 6:00pm. Activities included tug-a-war challenge, water baseball, water dodge ball, and slip –n-slide. Participants were treated to hotdogs, chips and juice at the end of the games.
- B. Coming this fall, the King Center will begin to offer parenting class as part of our adult programming. The program will be held on Monday evenings from 5:30 - 6:30pm. Ms. Eckhart will be the program supervisor.
- C. Planning a field trip to Larry's Fun House in Union Grove the weekend of August 14, 2016.
- D. Working with Romello Racing and Racine Independent Racing to take 14 youth to the race track to watch and support local car and motorcycle racing teams. This is the 2nd year that we have been invited, and the youth really enjoy watching the races and meeting the participants.
- E. Solution for Success (RVM) held training classes at the King Center from 8:00- 3:00 pm Monday, July 18 – 21. The workshop focused on teaching participants the secrets of obtaining and maintaining a successful job and other important information needed to be successful in life.
- F. Work continues on bringing the Feed America Program to the King Center with a projected start date in October.

### 2. **Humble Park:**

- A. The attendance of the middle school aged youth has increased to approximately 25 to 30 daily over the past few months. Staff will continue to try to increase the attendance.
- B. Playgrounds are winding down for the season. The staff is doing a great job at Humble.
- C. Tai Chi classes are offered at the center each Tuesdays from 12:00 – 1:00 pm. Approximately 40 people are currently attending.
- D. Senior clubs continue to use the center 4 days a week.
- E. Zumba is ongoing at Humble. A \$3.00/class donation is requested.
- F. PRCS Youth Softball uses all 3 diamonds on Mondays and Wednesdays.
- G. Youth football registration was held at the center twice in July for the upcoming fall season.

3. **Cesar Chavez:**

- A. Main Gallery Auction was held on July 30 at Monument Square. We had 24 participants this summer. The program was funded by PRCS, Racine Community Development Block Grant and Racine Unified.
- B. Youth Softball games ended August 3. The season went well overall.
- C. AAU practices will conclude at the end of July with a few teams practicing into August.
- D. Youth Hoops registration dates have been set. Grades 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> may begin registration at the PRCS office on August 23. Grades 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> must attend one of the evening scheduled dates at Chavez Center on September 8, 13 or 21 from 5:30 – 7:30 pm. 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade students must attend the registration for testing and measuring.
- E. Staff hosted National Night Out on August 2. Food, games, face painting and a bounce house kicked off the event and was followed by an outdoor movie at dusk.
- F. Foot Clinic for seniors was held July 27.
- G. Senior programming throughout the week remains steady.
- H. Will be scheduling tile floor stripping and waxing for September.

4. **Bryant:**

- A. Feeding America for summer program has been a success. We helped 400 families this month.
- B. The Bryant Center Lego League has begun. We have 2 teams, but we have enough kits for 3. The youth came up with a team name and began working with the kits provided by Racine Unified.
- C. The Summer Lunch Program has ended. The children are missing this program. Each day we had averaged 75-80 children.
- D. The Racine Talent Show was a success. Our Alderperson, PRCS Director and Mayor Dickert were present for the event. The youth in our community did a great job.
- E. This was our first year doing the Summer Fun Program. The children had to sign up for these programs in advance. We had on an average of 20 to 30 children attending. We are looking to continue these types of programs over the summer:
  - a. Animal's Around the World
  - b. Fairy Tales and Super Hero's
  - c. Un with water and Science
  - d. Space Adventure
  - e. Nutrition Fun with Food/Healthy Eating
  - f. Olympics
  - g. Outdoor Carnival

5. **Tyler Domer:**

- A. The Playground program is coming to an end. All of the locations and age groups are doing great. The field trips are running smoothly and the leaders have been well prepared. We have received a lot of positive feedback from parents.
- B. A group of youth from various high schools are using the building and practicing for the play they are putting on "Hair Spray". They are awesome.
- C. Lunch program has ended. Approximately 20 to 30 kids per day, four days a week
- D. AAU practices continue to use the gym.
- E. Pickle ball continues to run each Monday and Wednesday.
- F. Always using center: quilters, ping pong players, weight lifters, special needs groups, Narcotics anonymous.
- G. Dance group meet at the center 3 times per week.
- H. We have approximately 40 adults using the gym daily for basketball.

**DR. JOHN BRYANT COMMUNITY CENTER****2016 MONTHLY ATTENDANCE**

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
SENIOR	875	995	886	961	1,143	1,014	851	0	0	0	0	0
YOUTH	2,048	2,633	2,567	1,376	2,213	3,645	4,348	0	0	0	0	0
ADULT	870	908	853	<b>132</b>	487	1,121	732	0	0	0	0	0
MISC	2,909	1,387	1,221	2,101	484	5,838	575	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,702</b>	<b>5,923</b>	<b>5,527</b>	<b>4,570</b>	<b>4,327</b>	<b>11,618</b>	<b>6,506</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**ANNUAL ATTENDANCE**

	SENIORS	YOUTH	ADULT	MISC	TOTAL
2014	9,376	21,894	8,301	11,038	<b>50,609</b>
2015	9,343	26,574	8,876	13,822	<b>58,615</b>
2016	6,725	18,830	5,103	14,515	<b>45,173</b>

**CESAR CHAVEZ COMMUNITY CENTER****2016 MONTHLY ATTENDANCE**

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
SENIOR	1,363	1,386	1,413	1,347	1,237	1,489	1,027	0	0	0	0	0
YOUTH	9,955	4,869	2,715	2,927	2,562	4,366	4,268	0	0	0	0	0
ADULT	1,619	1,656	1,405	1,394	1,160	860	817	0	0	0	0	0
MISC	4,005	2,094	0	0	75	140	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16,942</b>	<b>10,005</b>	<b>5,533</b>	<b>5,668</b>	<b>5,034</b>	<b>6,855</b>	<b>6,112</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**ANNUAL ATTENDANCE**

	SENIORS	YOUTH	ADULT	MISC	TOTAL
2014	15,156	56,989	13,753	6,661	<b>92,559</b>
2015	15,465	53,666	11,931	11,211	<b>92,273</b>
2016	9,262	31,662	8,911	6,314	<b>56,149</b>

**HUMBLE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER****2016 MONTHLY ATTENDANCE**

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
SENIOR	275	468	273	365	465	262	567	0	0	0	0	0
YOUTH	6,133	2,064	1,681	1,233	1,361	4,015	2,221	0	0	0	0	0
ADULT	103	309	232	241	161	502	133	0	0	0	0	0
MISC	0	246	0	1,303	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,511</b>	<b>3,087</b>	<b>2,186</b>	<b>3,142</b>	<b>1,987</b>	<b>4,794</b>	<b>2,921</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**ANNUAL ATTENDANCE**

	SENIORS	YOUTH	ADULT	MISC	TOTAL
2014	5,286	23,884	9,963	2,575	<b>41,708</b>
2015	3,993	28,373	1,947	634	<b>34,947</b>
2016	2,675	18,708	1,681	1,564	<b>24,628</b>

**DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMUNITY CENTER****2016 MONTHLY ATTENDANCE**

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
SENIOR	1,118	927	1,179	852	779	882	808	0	0	0	0	0
YOUTH	3,085	2,344	2,160	996	1,263	2,125	2,398	0	0	0	0	0
ADULT	461	470	618	352	865	664	325	0	0	0	0	0
MISC	181	316	186	405	101	172	105	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,845</b>	<b>4,057</b>	<b>4,143</b>	<b>2,605</b>	<b>3,008</b>	<b>3,843</b>	<b>3,636</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**ANNUAL ATTENDANCE**

	SENIORS	YOUTH	ADULT	MISC	TOTAL
2014	9,924	17,969	7,925	1,731	<b>37,549</b>
2015	12,627	21,981	10,350	2,221	<b>47,179</b>
2016	6,545	14,371	3,755	1,466	<b>26,137</b>

**TYLER DOMER COMMUNITY CENTER****2016 MONTHLY ATTENDANCE**

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
SENIOR	301	280	342	348	306	221	230	0	0	0	0	0
YOUTH	2,948	2,052	1,637	1,653	1,480	2,151	2,114	0	0	0	0	0
ADULT	411	346	444	441	505	502	602	0	0	0	0	0
MISC	0	154	300	2,500	11	15	288	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,660</b>	<b>2,832</b>	<b>2,723</b>	<b>4,942</b>	<b>2,302</b>	<b>2,889</b>	<b>3,234</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**ANNUAL ATTENDANCE**

	SENIORS	YOUTH	ADULT	MISC	TOTAL
2014	2,545	23,428	11,789	1,285	<b>39,047</b>
2015	2,048	20,500	6,149	907	<b>29,604</b>
2016	2,028	14,035	3,251	3,268	<b>22,582</b>

**BEACH ATTENDANCE**

	JUN	JUL	AUG	YTD TOTAL
2015	17,366	119,636	60,777	197,779
2016	24,513	76,393		100,906

**FACEBOOK LIKES**

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
2016	2,272	2,304	2,358	2,412	2,481	2,593	2,664	0	0	0	0	0
<b>MONTHLY INCREASE:</b>		32	54	54	69	112	71					

**NEWS RELEASES - JULY 2016**

Adult Basketball Registration  
 Adult Volleyball Registration  
 Main Gallery Auction  
 Waste Wood Requests  
 Lake FX Games Results  
 Outdoor Movies in the Parks

**2016 REVENUES**

SERVICES	BUDGET	2016 QTR 1	2016 QTR 2	2016 QTR 3	2016 QTR 4
Community Center Rentals	\$10,000.00	\$3,187.53	\$8,101.38		
Park Revenues	\$20,000.00	\$5,889.40	\$13,708.92		
Miscellaneous Fees - Recreation	\$210.00	\$0.00	\$70.00		
Youth Activities	\$63,000.00	\$4,636.00	\$32,970.40		
Adult Activities	\$201,600.00	\$104,858.00	\$109,997.59		
Park & Recreation Rentals	\$13,000.00	\$1,405.72	\$3,504.15		
Boat Launch Charges	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Contract/Concessions	\$32,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00		
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$354,810.00</b>	<b>\$126,976.65</b>	<b>\$175,352.44</b>		

**2016 GRANTS**

GRANT NAME	\$ APPLIED FOR	\$ RECEIVED YTD
United Way	\$4,440.00	\$0.00
Urban Forestry	\$25,000.00	Pending
DNR	\$25,000.00	Pending
Racine Dominican Mission Fund	\$25,000.00	\$0.00
NRPA/WalMart	\$35,000.00	\$30,000.00
RUSD	\$4,010.00	\$4,010.00
CDBG - Forestry	\$50,000.00	\$52,330.00
CDBG - Main Gallery	\$28,612.00	\$20,000.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$197,062.00</b>	<b>\$106,340.00</b>

**FUNDRAISING/SPONSORSHIPS/DONATIONS**

EVENTS	RAISED YTD
Bowling Event (2/21/16)	\$3,013.04
Movies in the Park	\$1,000.00
Youth Softball	\$500.00
Main Gallery	\$5,000.00
Rubber Duck Derby (6/4/16)	\$500.00
Various Donors Perf. Arts Program	\$7,949.08
Dominican Sisters	\$500.00
Playgrounds - RUSD	\$8,000.00
Juneteenth Day	\$2,586.88
Main Gallery - RUSD	\$5,000.00
<b>TOTAL FUNDS RAISED:</b>	<b>\$34,049.00</b>

## COLLABORATIONS / PARTNERSHIPS

ORGANIZATIONS	PROGRAMS / SERVICES
3rd Coast Bicycles	Lake F/X Games
Alpine Valley	Snow Sharks
Angel Tree of Milwaukee	Dr. M.L. King Community Center Holiday Dinner
Attorney Timothy P. Crawford	Senior Presentations
Disc Golf Club	Disc Golf Course - Johnson Park
Downtown Racine Corporation	Laurel Clark Fountain/Attendants
Feeding America	Food Pantry at the Dr. John Bryant Community Center
Focus on Community	Rubber Duck Derby
Gateway	Skate Park
Gateway Technical College	Lake F/X Games
Girl Scouts of America	Girl Scout Troops - Centers
Growing Power, Inc.	Parks to Produce
Lankmark Credit Union	Movies in the Park Sponsorship
M.A. Dailey Foundation	Free Fishing Program
Milwaukee Brewers	Ticket Program
Milwaukee Bucks	Ticket Program
Mt. Pleasant Park & Recreation	Youth Softball
NAACP	Black History Achievement Awards
Narcotics Anonymous	Meetings
Park High School	Panther Pals, Transitional Groups
Racine Arts Council	Main Gallery
Racine Fire Department	PRCS staff First Aid / CPR AED Training
Racine Independent Racing	MLK Center
Romello Racing	MLK Center
RUSD	Black History Achievement Awards Facility Use Marketing Materials Playground Programs Special Educations Indoor Movies
Sky High Skate Shop	Lake F/X Games
Special Olympics	Programming & Meetings
Tri-Squad of Racine	Dr. M.L. King Community Center Holiday Dinner
Walgreens	Health Clinics & Screenings
Warren Industries	Lake F/X Games
Wheaton Franciscan	Health Clinics & Screenings
Youth for Christ	Meetings
ZMAC	Holiday Food Drive PRCS Bowling Fundraiser

# 2016 Programming

JANUARY 1 - JUNE 30

YOUTH	YTD RES	YTD NON-RES	TOTAL	2015 TOTAL
Flag Football (Discontinued)	n/a	n/a	n/a	7
Free Fishing Clinic	17	6	23	30
Indoor Soccer (Discontinued)	0	0	0	27
Outdoor Soccer (Discontinued)	0	0	0	29
PLAYGROUNDS	YTD RES	YTD NON-RES	TOTAL	2015 TOTAL
Kiddie Korner Playgrounds	67	18	85	87
Future Playgrounds	56	31	87	97
Play It Again Playgrounds	58	15	73	83
BIGS Playgrounds	30	18	48	33
All Sports Academy	35	8	43	na
<b>TOTAL PLAYGROUNDS</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>300</b>
Sand Volleyball	35	32	67	60
Softball 12 - 14 Years	58	14	72	75
Softball 4 Years - 5th Grade	176	27	203	228
Spring Break Basketball Camp	15	5	20	8
Spring Fever Basketball (Discontinued)	n/a	n/a	n/a	6

ADULT/SENIORS	YTD RES	YTD NON-RES	TOTAL	2015 TOTAL
Balance & Beyond (Seniors only)	13	0	13	25
Match Ladder Play	0	0	0	2
Start Restart Tennis Lessons	6	4	10	22

ADULT LEAGUES	YTD Participants	YTD Teams	2015 (P) TOTAL	2015 (T) TOTAL
Basketball			90	9
Sand Volleyball	148	23	184	29
Softball - Summer	1906	153	2263	176
Tennis	0	0	0	0
Tournament - Volleyball	0	0	0	0
Volleyball			423	64