

APRIL 2020 Monthly Report



From the Directors Desk

As we get closer to the summer months the number one priority still remains; BE SAFE.

Your Parks and Recreation staff is working to offer as many programs and opportunities as possible without putting any of our citizens at risk. Unfortunately playgrounds, water features, ball fields, sport courts, dog parks and many in-person classes remain closed. Staff and City Administration are working collaboratively to come up with creative ways to offer programs and services, as was accomplished in the recent opening of the City Community Garden. Some class are currently virtual including Meditation, Yoga and exercise classes. Some of these can be found on City's YouTube page and others via our Facebook site.

The Community Center Staff, in coordination with SMART Transit, and many volunteers, continue to provide meals home delivered meals for close to 100 residents. The meals are prepared and assembled on site at the Community Center, and then delivered to residents home via SMART Transit staff.

The Parks Crew continues with their overall day to day duties as well as tackling some great projects. Even though the Murase Playground Equipment is currently closed the "huge" slide received a major face lift and is better than ever. Planting of shrubs, rose bushes and more took place near the Stein Boozer Barn which provides a great environment for those renting this facility. The City's new Dog Park is taking shape, with three new shelters on order, and the permanent restroom being the last piece of this area.

Please stay in touch with us through the Parks and Recreation website and social media accounts to stay on top of changes regarding potential re-opening of play areas and other opportunities that may become available.

Thank you for your patience, and above all else, please stay safe and stay healthy.

-Mike McCarty

Community Garden Now OPEN!

The Community Garden opened on Saturday, May 2nd with a social distancing schedule and policies in place. The new schedule allows gardeners a total of 21 hours in the week to access their garden plots, with one three hour session each day. Several gardeners have expressed their gratitude about the opening and are thankful there have been precautions put into place that will help keep them safe. Currently only 10 people are allowed in the garden at one time. Staff conduct two daily checks to



ensure gardeners are following the new social distancing policies, and to sanitize door handles. We will continue to monitor social distancing guidelines and review policies as necessary. Twenty-two in-ground plots out of 155 total plots still remain available for public sign ups. Additional information may be found at WilsonvilleParksandRec.com/CommunityGarden



Facebook- A Look at the Data

April saw an abundance of posts on our Facebook page @Wilsonville Parks and Rec, including a coveted shout out from Oregon Governor Kate Brown!

- +60 page likes
- +130 followers
- Reached 38,970 accounts
- Instagram reached an additional 2,200 users

Major virtual Facebook activities this month included:

- 10 Day Drawing Challenge
- Wilsonville Camp-In-Place
- Earth Day Pledge
- Wilsonville Poetry Walk

Earth Day Pledge:



























Community Center Updates

- Nutrition program continues to serve 90+ seniors in our community
- SMART Dial-a-Ride drivers helping to deliver meals
- Fitness Specialist, Brad Moore has started to train personal training clients via zoom
- Social Worker, Sadie Wallenberg is making weekly check-in calls to our most vulnerable clients
- Admin staff has continued to update and organize files

Upcoming:

"Messages for Mom" - Sunday, May 10th

Chalk your driveway, parking space or neighborhood sidewalk with messages and drawings for your mom on Mothers Day to show her how much she is loved and appreciated!

Parks Maintenance Updates:

- Tilled Community Garden
- Opened Community Garden
- Installed electrical conduit for new restroom at dog park
- Completed Murase Slide upgrades

Murase Slide -

Erosion under the embankment slide at Murase was a continuous maintenance and compliance issue. The team reached out to get quotes from several contractors to complete the project. The quotes ranged greatly but averaged around \$125,000 for project completion. By bringing this project in house and utilizing the team's knowledge base and resources they were able to complete the project for just under \$42,000. This innovative solution ensures that we provide both a safe and also esthetically pleasing final product that the city will benefit from for years to come.

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