



**City of Spokane Park Board  
Recreation Committee Meeting**

5:15 p.m. Wednesday, May 01, 2024  
Hybrid in-person and WebEx teleconference meeting  
Jennifer Papich – Recreation Director

**Committee members**

X Sally Lodato – Chair  
X Greta Gilman  
X Jennifer Ogden

**Parks staff**

Jennifer Papich  
Ryan Griffith  
Carissa Ware  
Fianna Dickson  
Kris Behr

**Guests**

Tony Cane

**SUMMARY**

- The committee passed the following action items which will be presented to the Park Board for consideration and approval:
  - Renaming of Downriver Disc Golf Course to Whitewater Disc Golf Course – consent agenda item
  - Contract Amendments for one-time capital funding to support approved SYSCA projects for Northeast Youth Center, Project Joy, Southside Community Center and Hillyard Senior Center. Total funding amount \$10,000 – regular agenda item
- Tony Cane gave a presentation on the Hilliard Senior Center
- Jennifer Papich and Carissa Ware presented a discussion on proposed 2025 Sports Field Impact Fee increases..
- Jennifer Papich presented the Recreation Report.

The next regularly scheduled Recreation Committee meeting is set for 5:15 p.m. Wed. June 05, 2024.

# MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 5:17 p.m. by committee chair Sally Lodato.

**Public Comments:** None

## Action items:

### 1. [Renaming of Downriver Disc Golf Course to Whitewater Disc Golf Course](#) – Ryan Griffith

To recap, the stormwater construction began in 2022 within Downriver Park, TJ Meenach River access and the disc golf course. Everything is now complete and ready to open shortly. To alleviate any confusion with Downriver Golf Course, it was suggested a new name be assigned to much improved disc golf course. The Disc Golf Community Group came up with several names to be included on a survey. Of the 728 responses, Whitewater was by far the favorite.

**Motion #1** – Sally Lodato moved to recommend Renaming of Downriver Disc Golf Course to Whitewater Disc Golf Course.

Greta Gilman seconded. The motion passed unanimously (3-0 vote).

The committee agreed to present this recommendation as a consent agenda item on the May 09 Park Board meeting agenda.

### 2. [Contract Amendments for one-time capital funding to support approved SYSCA projects for Northeast Youth Center, Project Joy, Southside Community Center and Hillyard Senior Center. Total funding amount \\$10,000](#) – Jennifer Papich

a. Of the ten Spokane Youth and Senior Center Association (SYSCA) centers being supported by Spokane Parks and Recreation Division (SPRD), four centers were awarded the SYSCA Capital Grant. As in 2023, the criteria includes long term capital improvement projects which increase services to underserved areas/populations, promote inclusivity and accessibility, and demonstrate collaboration with other community funding.

b. Northeast Youth Center and Project Joy received full funding for their projects, as the Recreation Committee felt they were most closely aligned with the criteria. Hillyard and Southside Community Centers received partial funding. As a reminder, these are one-time funding dollars and are reimbursable once the work has been completed, which must be done by December 31, 2024.

**Motion #1** – Sally Lodato moved to recommend Contract Amendments for one-time capital funding to support approved SYSCA projects for Northeast Youth Center, Project Joy, Southside Community Center and Hillyard Senior Center. Total funding amount \$10,000.

Jennifer Ogden seconded. The motion passed unanimously (3-0 vote).

The committee agreed to present this recommendation as a regular agenda item on the May 09 Park Board meeting agenda.

## Discussion Items:

### 1. [Special Guest Report – Hillyard Senior Center](#) – Tony Cane

a. Tony has taken over the lead after the retirement of longtime director Jerry Unruh. Hillyard encompasses 34 zip codes in the low to moderate income level. Of the 14.5% of Citywide individuals over age 65, Hillyard is home to 10.7%. The center's mission is to encourage seniors to keep active in mind, body and spirit. The program offerings are designed to challenge and stimulate good mental and physical health with a sense of well-being and

enthusiasm for life. Most of the recreation activities are either free or very low cost, thanks to the funding from SPRD. One of the new class offering, free tech help, uncovered two individuals who were being scammed online, which triggered the fraud and scam prevention initiative with the Spokane Police Department and a local bank. The tech help class is great for individuals who would like more help with things like social media and simply understanding how to get better use all the innovative features on their phone or tablet. This is not a “tech support”, but they could assess the issues and be able to direct them to people who could better assist with those types of questions.

- b. Last year, the impacts from the SPRD funding included the expansion of program offerings, increased accessibility, and long-term sustainability. There were 56,498 participants with 2,271 volunteers logging almost 8,000 hours. The center was also able to raise \$26,630 fundraising dollars in 2023.

## 2. [Proposed Sports Field Impact Fee \(SFIF\) increase for 2025](#) – Jennifer Papich & Carissa Ware

The SFIF was established in 2023 which funded the synthetic turf replacement at Dwight Merkel. The yearly payments are \$180,000 through 2028, with 1/3 of that coming from the SFIF with the remaining 2/3 coming from capital and athletics revenue. The goal is to decrease the burden on capital and athletics revenue and more SFIF. It was projected the SFIF would bring in approximately \$45,000 in 2023, however, the final amount was \$18,000 over projection. The SFIF will remain the same for 2024, however a \$1 increase in 2025 is being proposed, which will result in an estimated \$16,234 extra to put towards the yearly payment of the Merkel Turf replacement. Jennifer thought doing an increase every 2 years. The fees will not go away but will be used towards future field improvements. This fee is in addition to the hourly usage/rental fee.. This item will continue to be a discussion item moving into June, Jennifer with prepare a cost analysis of both a SFIF increase as well as hourly increase.

### **Standing Reports:**

#### 1. Recreation Report – Jennifer Papich

[Corbin Arts](#) hosted 140 youth with a week of spring day camps; [Athletics](#) is excited about the new youth skateboard lessons at Dwight Merkel Skate Park, and volleyball has a record number of teams; [Outdoor Recreation](#) programs with Evergreen Archery and Wiley E. Waters rafting are fully booked and are pleased about the great partnership with these vendors; [Aquatics](#) staffing has 13 of 200 spots remaining, with lifeguard and swim instructor classes beginning May 3; [TRS](#) is partnering with Aquatics for a sensory swim program and 95% of the TRS classes are already full; [Wellness](#) is collaborating with several departments and outside programs for a new ArtSci camp at Finch Arboretum with all 144 slots filled. EWU students wrote the science curriculum specifically based on the Finch area.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled Recreation Committee meeting is set for 5:15 p.m. Wed. June 05, 2024.

# Spokane Park Board

## Briefing Paper



<b>Committee</b>	Recreation Committee	<b>Committee meeting date:</b> 5/1/2024	
<b>Requester</b>	Ryan Griffith	<b>Phone number:</b> 509-625-6680	
<b>Type of agenda item</b>	<input type="radio"/> Consent <input type="radio"/> Discussion <input type="radio"/> Information <input checked="" type="radio"/> Action		
<b>Type of contract/agreement</b>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> New <input type="radio"/> Renewal/ext. <input type="radio"/> Lease <input type="radio"/> Amendment/change order <input type="radio"/> Other		
<b>City Clerks file</b> (OPR or policy #)			
<b>Master Plan Goal, Objective, Strategy</b> (Click <a href="#">HERE</a> for link to the adopted plan)	Goal G Objective 2	<b>Master Plan Priority Tier:</b> (pg. 171-175)	First Tier
<b>Item title:</b> (Use exact language noted on the agenda)	Renaming of Downriver Disc Golf Course to Whitewater Disc Golf Course		
<b>Begin/end dates</b>	Begins: 01/01/2024	Ends:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 06/01/2525
<b>Background/history:</b> The Spokane Disc Golf Course was redesigned in conjunction with the Cochran Basin/Downriver Stormwater project that started in 2022. During this project Downriver Disc Golf Course received extensive parking lot improvements, 2 new informational kiosks, improved maintenance road access, new T-pads, baskets and signage. After this transformation the Spokane Disc Golf community felt it was the ideal time for a course re-branding. They issued a survey to the Disc Golf Community, offering five (5) suggested re-naming options. 728 people participated in the survey with an overwhelming majority choosing Whitewater Disc Golf Course to be the new name moving forward. The neighborhood council has already approved this change.			
<b>Motion wording:</b> Approve the name change of the Downriver Disc Golf Course to Whitewater Disc Golf Course.			
<b>Approvals/signatures outside Parks:</b> <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No If so, who/what department, agency or company: Name: _____ Email address: _____ Phone: _____			
<b>Distribution:</b> Parks – Accounting Parks – Sarah Deatrich Requester: Ryan Griffith Grant Management Department/Name:			
<b>Fiscal impact:</b> <input checked="" type="radio"/> Expenditure <input type="radio"/> Revenue Amount: no cost    Budget code: n/a			
<b>Vendor:</b> <input checked="" type="radio"/> Existing vendor <input type="radio"/> New vendor			
<b>Supporting documents:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Quotes/solicitation (RFP, RFQ, RFB) <input type="checkbox"/> W-9 (for new contractors/consultants/vendors) <input type="checkbox"/> Contractor is on the City's A&E Roster - City of Spokane <input type="checkbox"/> ACH Forms (for new contractors/consultants/vendors) <input type="checkbox"/> UBI: _____ Business license expiration date: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance Certificate (min. \$1 million in General Liability)			

CITY OF SPOKANE  
PARK BOARD RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION renaming the public disc golf course located within the  
Downriver Park Natural Area.

WHEREAS, the City of Spokane owns and operates 3,900+ acres of parks & natural lands within and outside of the City of Spokane; and

WHEREAS, the Park Board is empowered by the City Charter with exclusive jurisdiction and control to lay out, establish, procure, purchase, accept, and have the care, management control and improvement of, all parks and grounds used for park purposes, all boulevards and parkways, and connecting parks and structures thereon located both within and outside of the City of Spokane; and

WHEREAS, there has historically been some community confusion between the downriver disc golf course and the downriver golf course due to nearly identical facility names; and

WHEREAS, the city's disc golf committee recommended changing the name of the downriver disc golf course to reduce future confusion; and

WHEREAS, the disc golf course was recently closed for total reconstruction as a part of a large city stormwater and recreational infrastructure project; and

WHEREAS, the renovated disc golf course is planned to open to the public in Spring of 2024; and

WHEREAS, in December of 2023, Parks conducted an open survey for potential names for the renovated disc golf course, receiving 728 community responses; and

WHEREAS, of the 5 proposed names, Whitewater Disc Golf Course received over 50% of votes and was the clear community favorite; and

WHEREAS, at the January 2024 meeting, the Audubon-Downriver Neighborhood Council voted to support the selection of Whitewater Disc Golf Course as the preferred name for the facility; and

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Park Board to officially rename the disc golf course on the Downriver Park natural land to "Whitewater Disc Golf Course".

# Downriver Disc Golf Course Name Change



# Downriver Disc Golf Course Redesign

Timeline of the redesign Master planning for the disc golf course in conjunction with the Cochran Basin/Downriver Stormwater project started in June 2018.

Construction started in 2022. Construction on the stormwater projects are complete within the Downriver Park Areas including TJ Meenach River Access and Disc Golf Course

## Project Status

- ✓ Stormwater project completed
- ✓ Parking lots paved & improvement to the main course access points improved
- ✓ 2 new kiosks installed
- ✓ Maintenance road access improved
- ✓ T-pads, most all basket anchors, and T-sign posts installed
- ✓ Hydroseed sprayed and waiting to germinate
- ✓ Mulch on pathways being spread
- ✓ Out of Bounds Markers installed
- ✓ T-signs being designed



# Downriver Disc Golf Course Redesign



## KEY VOLUNTEER GROUPS WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE PROJECT (700+ HRS.)

- Dave Willman and many local community members
- Spokane Disc Golf Club
- Chainsayers Disc Golf



# Downriver Disc Golf Course Name Change

- Requested Course Name Change from both from Disc Golf community and Parks Staff.
  - Frequently confused with Downriver Golf Course
  - Desire for a fresh new name for the renovated course.
  - Disc Golf Community Group came up with various names and agreed on five to submit for a survey:
    - Ponderosa Pines DGC
    - Whitewater DGC
    - Soaring Eagle DGC
    - Hawks Ridge DGC
    - Ponds DGC

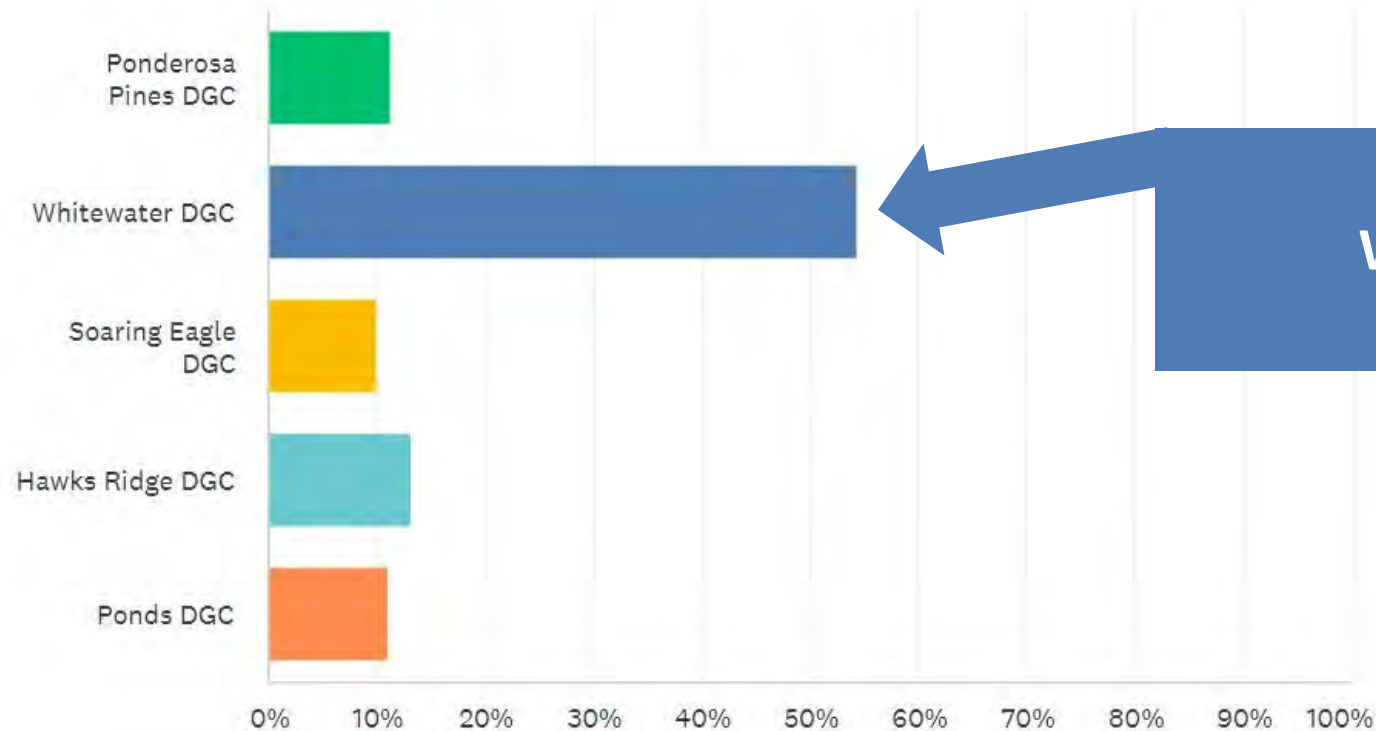
The survey received **728 responses**, it was promoted by Spokane Parks and Recreation Communication and Marketing, as well as through the disc golf community.



# Downriver Disc Golf Course Name Change Survey Results

Please select your favorite name

Answered: 728 Skipped: 0



The survey results had **WHITEWATER DISC GOLF COURSE** as the clear favorite

**Requesting Park Board RESOLUTION  
SUPPORTING THE NAME CHANGE  
OF DOWNRIVER DISC GOLF TO:**

**WHITEWATER DISC GOLF COURSE**



# Spokane Park Board

## Briefing Paper



<b>Committee</b>	Recreation Committee	<b>Committee meeting date:</b> May 5, 2024	
<b>Requester</b>	Jennifer Papich	<b>Phone number:</b> 509-363-5420	
<b>Type of agenda item</b>	<input type="radio"/> Consent <input type="radio"/> Discussion <input type="radio"/> Information <input checked="" type="radio"/> Action		
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<b>City Clerks file</b> (OPR or policy #)			
<b>Master Plan Goal, Objective, Strategy</b> (Click <a href="#">HERE</a> for link to the adopted plan)	Goal A: Obj. 2 (equity zones)	<b>Master Plan Priority Tier:</b> (pg. 171-175)	First Tier
<b>Item title:</b> (Use exact language noted on the agenda)	Contract Amendments for one-time capital funding to support approved SYSCA projects for Northeast Youth Center, Project Joy, Southside Community Center and Hillyard Senior Center. Total funding amount \$10,000.		
<b>Begin/end dates</b>	Begins: 05/08/2024	Ends: 12/31/2024	<input type="checkbox"/> 06/01/2525
<b>Background/history:</b>			
<p>Through an application process Spokane Youth and Senior Association Community Centers requested one-time additional investments to improve facility assets that offer long term benefits to the community, enhance accessibility, increase recreation services to the undeserved and project that demonstrate collaboration with other community funding sources.</p> <p>Four (4) applications were received, these application were reviewed and evaluated by the Recreation Committee of Park Board. Two (2) of the Four (4) applications were awarded their full requested amount, and the two (2) other centers were awarded \$1,500 each to go towards their requested projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Northeast Youth Center for the amount of \$3,000 to support the purchase cost of new kitchen equipment.</li> <li>- Project Joy for the amount of \$4,000 to support the purchase and installation of an accessible chair lift.</li> <li>- Hillyard Senior Center and Southside Community Center to each receive \$1,500 to support their technology upgrade needs.</li> </ul> <p>These are one-time funding dollars are to be paid upon receipt of a detailed invoice of completion. Total funding support amount for 2024 is \$10,000 from a designated Capital Fund in the Parks Fund for Community Centers.</p>			
<b>Motion wording:</b>			
Approve the amendments to the 2024 Northeast Youth Center, Hillyard Senior Center, Project Joy, and Southside Community Center contracts for the mentioned specific amounts for one-time investments to improve facility assets. Total funding amount \$10,000.			
<b>Approvals/signatures outside Parks:</b> <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No			
If so, who/what department, agency or company: Specific Community Center Directors listed below			
Name:		Email address:	Phone:
<b>Distribution:</b>		Harland Henderson, <a href="mailto:director@projectjoy.org">director@projectjoy.org</a>	
Parks – Accounting		Tony Cane, <a href="mailto:hscdirector@yahoo.com">hscdirector@yahoo.com</a>	
Parks – Sarah Deatrich		Sheila Gerahty, NEYC <a href="mailto:sheilag@spokaneneyc.org">sheilag@spokaneneyc.org</a>	
Requester: Jennifer Papich		Josh Kracht, <a href="mailto:director@southsidecenter.com">director@southsidecenter.com</a>	
Grant Management Department/Name:			
<b>Fiscal impact:</b> <input checked="" type="radio"/> Expenditure <input type="radio"/> Revenue			
Amount: \$10,000		Budget code: 1950-54920-94000-56301	
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# 2024 SYSCA CAPITAL GRANT PROGRAM

The 10 Senior and Youth Community Centers in the Spokane Youth and Senior Center Association who receive financial support from the Parks Fund for Recreation programs and related operating expenses are:

Corbin Senior Center	East Central Community Center (MLK Center)
Hillyard Senior Center	Mid City Concerns
Northeast Youth Center	Project Joy
Sinto Senior Center	Southside Senior Center
Southwest Spokane Community Center	West Central Community Center

## 2023 SYSCA CAPITAL GRANT RECIPIENTS

### **CORBIN SENIOR CENTER**

\$3,000 to support the purchase cost of a new computer server system.

### **NORTHEAST YOUTH CENTER**

\$2,500 to support the purchase cost of new classroom furniture for their youth programs.

### **WEST CENTRAL COMMUNITY CENTER**

\$2,500 to support the purchase of new classroom storage cubbies for youth programs.

### **SINTO SENIOR CENTER**

\$2,000 to support the cost of their facility roof repair project.

# SYSCA Capital Project Grant Application Criteria

Capital improvements refer to investments made by an organization in physical assets or infrastructure to enhance their quality and increase overall value. These projects typically involve construction, renovation, technology upgrades, transportation upgrades, essential equipment upgrades/replacement etc.

## **Priority will be given to applications for capital projects that:**

- Increase park and recreation services to underserved areas or populations.
- Promote and provide inclusivity and accessibility for all individuals.
- Offer long-term significant benefits to the community and the center.
- Demonstrate collaboration with other community funding.

## **Non-Qualifying Projects:**

- Routine maintenance - painting – interior or exterior, carpet cleaning or replacement etc.
- Administration, salaries, and operations
- Debt retirement
- Lobbying activities
- Conferences, workshops, symposia
- Endowments
- Individuals/staff
- Programs with religious content
- Replacement of lost/expired government funding

# 2024 SYSCA CAPITAL GRANT PROGRAM RECIPIENTS

Through an application process, four (4) Spokane Youth and Senior Association Community Centers applied for one-time additional investments to improve facility assets that offer

- These applications were reviewed and evaluated by the Recreation Committee of the Park Board.
- Two (2) of the applicants received full funding for their projects
- Two (2) of the applicants received partial funding for their projects
- All applications were determined to fit the requirements of the additional funding.
- The 2 fully funded recipients aligned the closest with the priorities and goals of the program.

The 2024 Recipients are:

## **NORTHEAST YOUTH CENTER**

- \$3,000 to support Kitchen equipment replacement.

## **PROJECT JOY**

- \$4,000 to support Installation of a stair lift to make Project Joy space ADA accessible.

## **HILLYARD COMMUNITY CENTER**

- \$1,500 to support Technology Infrastructure Enhancements.

## **SOUTHSIDE COMMUNITY CENTER**

- \$1,500 to support Computer replacement and software upgrades.

**These are one-time funding dollars are to be paid upon receipt of a detailed invoice of completion.**

# **2024 SYSCA CAPITAL GRANT PROGRAM RECIPIENTS**

We are seeking Park Board Approval for the amendments to the 2024 Northeast Youth Center, Project Joy, Southside Community Center and Hillyard Senior Center contracts for the mentioned specific amounts for one-time investments to improve facility assets.



**SYSCA**

Spokane Youth & Senior Centers Association  
2023 Year-End Report

**Hillyard Senior Center**

Executive Director: Tony Cane

## **Presentation Overview:**

- **1 Community Context & Center Background**
- **2 Showcasing Our Programs & Funding Impact**
- **3 End-of-Year Results & Outcomes**



# SYSCA

Spokane Youth & Senior Centers Association  
2023 Year-End Report

## Community Context:

- HSC members encompass 34 different zip codes with majority residing in 99207 (~ 40%)
- Members we serve are low-income to moderate-income; which reflects the variation of socio-economic status within our community and the folks we serve.
- Household Median Income for Hillyard - \$35,256 / City-Wide - \$58,714 / Per Capita - \$32,991
- People aged 65 and over: Hillyard – 10.7% / City-Wide – 14.5%
- Hillyard (District 1) Population – 6,678
- Race & Ethnicity: White 83%, two or more races 6.3%, Hispanic 8.1%

# Hillyard Senior Center

Executive Director: Tony Cane

## Center Background:

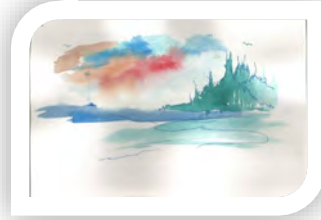
- **Mission:** The mission of the Hillyard Senior Center is to create a philosophy and provide an environment that encourages seniors to keep active in mind, body, and spirit; to meet other friends of like mind; to make new friends; to share interests with others and enjoy living their life to the fullest! Programs are offered to challenge and stimulate seniors, promote good mental and physical health, and give a sense of well-being and enthusiasm for life!
- **Programming:** designed to embody our mission of fostering active engagement in mind, body, and spirit among older adults. Through activities, trips, and special events, seniors can connect with like-minded individuals, make new friends, and share their interests with others. With the support of funding from the Parks and Recreation department, we can enhance and expand our offerings, ensuring that our community members have access to enriching experiences that inspire them to live life to the fullest.

# SYSCA

## Spokane Youth & Senior Centers Association 2023 Year-End Report

### New Activities, & Initiatives

- FREE Watercolor Painting Class (8 Weeks)
- FREE Fresh Produce Giveaway
- FREE Senior Tech Help



### Program Highlights

- Fraud & Scam Prevention Initiative – New Partnership with Spokane Police Department & local bank to offer FREE educational series for fraud and scam prevention throughout the year
- Continued partnership with Spokane Falls Community College for our annual Holiday Concert
- New partnership with Special Mobility Services for volunteering to assist with HSC seniors with technology related questions; mobile devices, computer, social media, etc.
- Retirement of Jerry Unruh after 25 years! Welcome new HSC Director, Tony Cane

### Community Engagement and Participation

- Positive trends for participation total and Recreation Average Per/Day Participation
- We saw a decrease in the total volunteers from 2022 to 2023 – Goal to increase volunteer total through new offerings
- New partnerships resulting in new experiences for seniors; educational workshops, classes and activities



# Hillyard Senior Center

Executive Director: Tony Cane

### Recreation Offerings

- Mexican Train - FREE
- Canasta - FREE
- Penny Bingo – Low-Cost Licensed Gambling Activity
- Pinochle – FREE
- Cribbage – FREE
- "13" Card Game – FREE
- Crafting Club - FREE
- Drawing / Coloring - FREE
- Croquet League – FREE
- Wii Bowling – FREE

All activity offerings are free with a suggested donation!

### Other Recreation Class Offerings

- Senior Fitness Class - FREE
- Cooking Class - FREE
- AARP Driver's Safety Course - \$20 Per person
- AARP Matter of Balance – FREE
- Watercolor Painting – FREE
- Card Making - \$3
- Book Club - FREE
- Craft Class – Costs are depended on class materials and topics covered!

Most activity classes offered are FREE or Low-Cost to seniors

# SYSCA

Spokane Youth & Senior Centers Association  
2023 Year-End Report

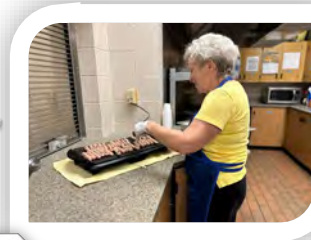
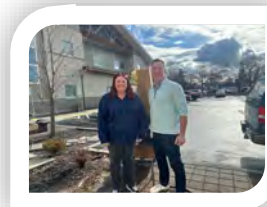
## Impacts of Parks & Recreation Funding Support

- Expanded Program Offerings
- Increased Accessibility
- Enhanced Facilities and Operations
- Community Engagement and Outreach
- Measurable Impact
- Long-Term Sustainability
- Empowerment and Lifelong Learning

It's essential to underscore the crucial role that financial resources play in empowering community centers like ours to thrive and full fill our mission.

Your investment into our center is instrumental in fueling our efforts to serve and uplift seniors in our community.

With your investment, we've been able to expand our reach, enhance our offerings, and make a meaningful difference in the lives of those we serve.



# Hillyard Senior Center

Executive Director: Tony Cane

**2023 Recreation Program Participants**

**56,498 Participants**

**2023 Total Volunteer Numbers & Hours**

**2,271 Volunteers**

**7,861 Hours**

**2023 Total Fundraising/Grant Dollars**

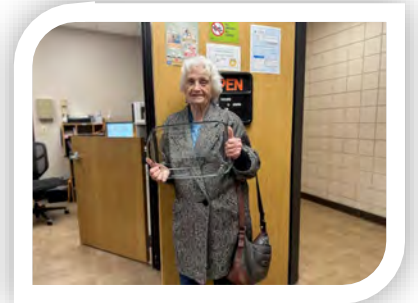
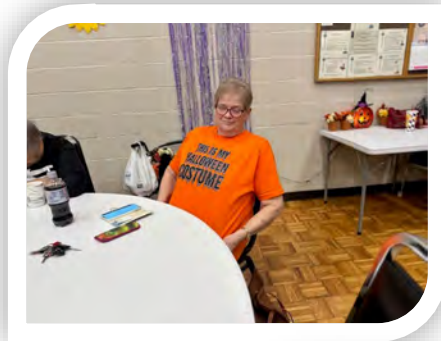
**\$16,630 Fundraising**

**\$0 Grant Dollars**

Your 2023 investment through a lens!



# All smiles at the Hillyard Senior Center



# SPORTS FIELD IMPACT FEE (SFIF)

The SFIF was established in 2023 to fund sports field improvements, starting with the synthetic turf replacement at Dwight Merkel.

- *A flat \$5 fee was added to each Sports Complex booking.*
  - *A \$1 per hour fee was added to each Tier 2 & 3 athletic field reservation.*
  - *A \$10 per team fee was added to each outdoor Adult Athletic Team registration.*
- **The payment for the Merkel Turf Replacement is \$180,000/yr. through 2028.**
    - **Debt Service Payment is divided:**
      - *1/3 from capital - \$60,000*
      - *1/3 from Recreation Revenue (Athletics) - \$60,000*
      - *1/3 from the Sports Field Impact Fee - \$60,000*
    - **The goal is to increase the amount from SFIF and decrease the amounts from Recreation and Capital at a reasonable rate.**

# SPORTS FIELD IMPACT FEE (SFIF)

Based on past bookings and registration data, we estimated a 2023 contribution of \$45,000 to the SFIF fund.

<b>2023 SFIF Actuals</b>	
<b><u>ADULT ATHLETICS \$10 FEE PER TEAM</u></b> <i>Flag Football, Softball, Summer Volleyball</i>	<b>\$31,064</b>
<b><u>FIELD RENTALS</u></b> <i>Amount from Tier 1 &amp; 2 Parks - \$10,748</i> <i>Amount from Sports Complexes - \$21,120</i>	<b>\$31,868</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$62,932</b>

*Almost \$18,000 over projections*

# SPORTS FIELD IMPACT FEE (SFIF)

We propose to increase all SFIF fees by \$1 in 2025,  
Contributing an estimated \$16,234 more to the Merkle Turf debt service payment.

Facility	2023 & 2024 SFIF	2025 Proposed SFIF	Notes
<b><u>Tier 2 Park Fields</u></b> (Liberty, Chief Garry, Thornton Murphy, BA Clark, & Underhill)	\$1 per hr.	\$2 per hr.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Youth rate would increase from \$3 to \$4 per hour.</li> <li>Adult rate would increase from \$4 to \$5 per hour.</li> </ul>
<b><u>Tier 3 Park Fields</u></b> (all other remaining parks)	\$1 per hr.	\$2 per hr.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Youth and Adult rates would increase from \$1.50 to \$2.50 per hour.</li> </ul>
Estimated 2025 Tier 2 & 3 Park Contribution			From \$10,748 to \$20,000
<b><u>Sport Complex</u></b> Merkle, Franklin, Southeast	\$5 per Booking	\$6 per booking	Increase contribution from \$21,120 to \$25,000
<b><u>Adult Athletic Teams</u></b>	\$10 per team	\$11 per team	Increase contribution from \$31,064 to \$34,166
<b>Total Projected Increase</b>	<b>\$62,932</b>	<b>\$79,166</b>	<b>Estimated contribution increase of \$16,234 in 2025</b>



# SPORTS FIELD IMPACT FEE (SFIF)

**QUESTIONS?**



# SPRING/SUMMER RECREATION HIGHLIGHTS



## **CORBIN ART CENTER:**

During Spring Break, Corbin Art Center hosted a week of day camps with various themes with 140 youth participating.

# SPRING/SUMMER RECREATION HIGHLIGHTS

## ATHLETICS:

**NEW!!!** Thanks to a wonderful new partnership with **OneOff Skate Supply** – for the first time we are activating the Dwight Merkel Skate Park with organized **Youth Skateboarding Lessons**.

This will be a Highlighted Expo Recreation Event – **OneOff Skate Supply** will be at the **Riverfront Skate Park** on **May 4<sup>th</sup>** promoting this exciting new venture



**SPRING VOLLEYBALL** is our largest Spring yet with **146 teams** registering!

# SPRING/SUMMER RECREATION HIGHLIGHTS

## OUTDOOR:



- **Evergreen Archery Club** and **Wiley E Waters Rafting** contracted programs are once again fully booked, they consistently receive excellent participant reviews. We are very thankful for these partnerships.
- **Wildflower Walks** have attracted over 30 eager adventurers and 2 trips remain - at Antoine Peak Conservation Area and Kamiak Butte near Colfax.

# SPRING/SUMMER RECREATION HIGHLIGHTS



## AQUATICS:

- Lifeguard and Swim Instructor Certification Classes are **FULL** & begin Friday, May 3.
- Witter pre-season swimming lesson registration is low. We will be doing a final push soon to help spread the word about these offerings.
- **SUMMER STAFFING UPDATES**
  - The aquatics program is almost fully staffed for the summer with only 13 spots of our target of 200 employees left to fill.
- **NEW PROGRAMS & PARTNERSHIPS**
  - **TRS and Aquatics** are partnering to offer our first-ever **Sensory Swim Program** for individuals with sensory sensitivity.
  - **Sports for the Blind, Spokane Parks Foundation, and Aquatics** are teaming up to offer a summer swim event for the visually impaired community.

# SPRING/SUMMER RECREATION HIGHLIGHTS

## THERAPEUTIC RECREATION:

- TRS has **395 enrolled for Spring**. Most classes are at 95% full or higher.
- Funshine Day Camp has hired 4 out of the 5 positions.
- Rivers Wish Animal Sanctuary and lunch at Riverside State Park was an amazing day.
- TRS loves our volunteers, and everyone is happy to be back going to the Spokane Indians games.



# SPRING/SUMMER RECREATION HIGHLIGHTS

## WELLNESS & ENRICHMENT:

- Onboarding 7 staff for Summer Day Camp at Merkel (3 returning staff)
- Karate class grown 63% as compared to this time in 2023 (44 in 2023 to 72 in 2024)
- Summer Day Camp at Merkel is at 50% capacity. Camp starts on 6/24.



**NEW!** ArtSci Camp at Finch Arboretum is **FULL**. This is an amazing collaboration with **Corbin Art Center, Wellness & Enrichment, Finch & Urban Forestry Staff** along with **Spokane Solid Waste, Spokane Water Resource Center, Heartwork, Fish and Wildlife, EWU** and more!  
**144 registrations and \$34,319 in new revenue for 2024.**