WHAT WE ARE

RECREATION

29 COMMUNITY CENTERS
+ facilities for cultural arts, outdoor education and therapeutic recreation

5 ATHLETIC COMPLEXES

6 GOLF COURSES

8 OUTDOOR POOLS
+ AN INDOOR AQUATIC CENTER

5 SPLASH PADS AND INTERACTIVE FOUNTAIN

8,221 ACRES OF PARKLAND

120 MILES OF REGIONAL TRAILS

3 RESERVOIRS TOTALING 4,240 ACRES

14 NATURE PRESERVES

1 SKATE PARK
for BMX, skateboards and rollerblades

5 DOG PARKS

370+ PARKS

PARKS

RENTABLE SPACES

10 ENCLOSED SHELTERS | 16 OPEN-AIR SHELTERS

ColumbusRecParks.com
LEISURE CARDS

The Columbus Recreation and Parks Department uses a photo ID card system, known as “Leisure Cards,” to safely identify participants during admission to our swimming pools and community recreation centers. In order to take advantage of the programs and facilities we offer, you must first obtain a Leisure Card.

REQUIREMENTS

• Any individual over the age of six must have a Leisure Card.

• Leisure Cards only cost $1 (new or renewed), and are good for three years from the date of purchase.

• All community centers have the capability to print leisure cards, with the exception of Martin Janis, the Cultural Arts Center and the Franklin Park Adventure Center.

• Centers vary in their availability to produce Leisure Cards. Please contact your center for their specific hours.

Learn more at ColumbusRecParks.com.

REFUND POLICY

• A full refund will be issued for activity and online fees if the department cancels an activity.

• A refund of the activity fee will be issued if a participant cancels before the first meeting/class.

• A 50% refund of the activity fee will be issued, if a participant cancels after one meeting/class.

• No refunds will be given after the second meeting/class.

• Contact the community center where the activity is taking place for refund processing.
DROP-IN FITNESS

Not ready to commit to an annual membership? We've got you covered.

Drop in to any community center fitness room for only $15 per session.
Columbus Recreation and Parks Department has 18 designated Get Active Fitness Centers with specialized workout facilities, cardio equipment, weight machines and fitness classes. Members have access to all 18 locations.

FITNESS CENTER MEMBERSHIP FEES

Adult: $60/year | Adults over 50: $40/year*  
Youth Ages 14-17: Free**  
City of Columbus Employees: Free

*Senior Community Centers offer fitness programs tailored to ages 50 and older  
**Youth under 18 must be accompanied by an adult with membership

1 Barnett Community Center  
2 Beatty Community Center  
3 Blackburn Community Center  
4 Brentnell Community Center  
5 Carriage Place Community Center  
6 Dodge Community Center  
7 Driving Park Community Center  
8 Far East Community Center  
9 Gillie Community Senior Center*  
10 Glenwood Community Center  
11 Lazelle Woods Community Center  
12 Marion Franklin Community Center  
13 Martin Janis Community Senior Center*  
14 Milo Grogan Community Center  
15 Schiller Community Center  
16 Thompson Community Center  
17 Westgate Community Center  
18 Whetstone Community Center

A full listing of centers and contact info can be found on page 30.
LEARN TO SWIM

Columbus Recreation and Parks Department offers affordable swimming lessons for people of all ages taught by American Red Cross Water Safety Instructors.

$40 for Residents
$50 for Non-Residents

The Columbus Aquatics Center is a premier indoor aquatics facility that is centrally located and hosts a variety of programs catering to people of all ages and abilities.

COLUMBUS AQUATICS CENTER
1160 Hunter Ave. | Columbus, OH 43201 | (614) 645-6122
The water offers a unique workout environment that is low impact and high resistance, making it an excellent option for a variety of fitness needs, including therapeutic, strength and flexibility. We offer a variety of affordable fitness programs, which fall under three main categories:

1. Water Aerobics
2. Adult Lap Swimming
3. Youth Lap Swimming and Diving

Looking to increase or maintain your fitness level? Learn everything from diving to stroke technique in one of our many lap swimming programs, which include:

- Masters Swim
- Stroke Clinic
- Beginner Diving
- Intermediate Diving

For more information, contact the Columbus Aquatic Center at (614) 645-6122.
ADDITIONAL TOURNAMENTS

(Youth Select Travel Baseball)

King of Swing
April

Championship Challenge
April

Capital Cup
May

Christopher Columbus
June/July

(Adult Softball)

The THAW
March

Spring Fling All-Nighter
April

Heart of Ohio Senior National
May

Christopher Columbus
June/July

Mixed Nutz Screwball
August
SPORTS

Whether you’re training for the next level or simply want to stay in shape, we invite you to unleash your competitive spirit with the Columbus Recreation and Parks Department.

MORE THAN A GAME

**YOUTH LEAGUES**

**Adult Basketball** (FALL, WINTER, SPRING & SUMMER)
Fall registration opens August; season begins September
Winter registration opens December; season begins January
Spring registration opens February; season begins March
Summer registration opens May; season begins June
Summer II registration opens July; season begins August

**50+ Basketball** (WINTER)
Registration opens October; season begins November

**Adult Softball** (FALL, SPRING & SUMMER)
Fall registration opens August; season begins September
Spring registration opens February; season begins March
Summer registration opens March; season begins April
Summer II registration opens July; season begins August

**50+ Softball** (FALL & SUMMER)
Fall registration opens August; season begins September
Summer registration opens in March; season begins April

**Adult Volleyball** (FALL, WINTER, SPRING & SUMMER)
Fall registration opens August; season begins September
Winter registration opens December; season begins January
Spring registration opens February; season begins March
Summer registration opens May; season begins June
Summer II registration opens July; season begins August

**Youth Baseball** (FALL Select Travel Teams)
Registration opens June; season begins August

**Youth Basketball** (WINTER)
Registration opens October; season begins January

**Youth Flag Football** (FALL)
Registration opens July; season begins September

**Youth Soccer** (FALL)
Registration opens April; seasons runs September to May

Columbus Recreation and Parks also offers sports facility rentals for indoor and outdoor play, including basketball and volleyball courts, ball diamonds, tennis courts and athletic fields.

For rentals, registration or more information, visit [CRPDSports.org](http://CRPDSports.org)
OUTDOOR EDUCATION

We provide a wide range of experiential learning opportunities for all ages, with hands-on exploration of the numerous parks and nature preserves in our city. When necessary, adaptive equipment and needs-specific materials are utilized to ensure that we are fulfilling our commitment to inclusion for all residents.

Surrounded by mature trees and abundant wildlife, the McKnight Outdoor Education Center offers the rustic Ottawa Lodge, the new Net Zero Wyandot Lodge, trails, caves, creeks and access to the Scioto River.

ACTIVITIES: ARCHERY | CANOEING | HIKING | CLIMBING WALL | GEOFACING
TOPICS OF EXPLORATION: INSECTS | FOSSILS | REPTILES

Interested in our programs or learning more? Email outdooreducation@columbus.gov or call (614) 645-3380.
THERAPEUTIC RECREATION PROGRAMS AND TOURNAMENTS

BOCCIA | COLUMBUS BLITZ WHEELCHAIR RUGBY TOURNAMENT | FITNESS AQUATIC PROGRAM
FOUR FOOT HOOPS | GET FIT GET HEALTHY | HOOPS MADNESS TOURNAMENT
PVA BUCKEYE CUP WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT | QUEST-AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM
SLED HOCKEY | SWIM CAMP | SWIM LESSONS | SWIM TEAM | TRACK AND FIELD
WHEELCHAIR FENCING | WHEELCHAIR FOOTBALL | WHEELCHAIR RUGBY

For more information, contact Therapeutic Recreation at (614) 645-5648.

THERE IS STRENGTH IN OUR DIFFERENCES
Columbus Recreation and Parks’ Therapeutic Recreation program offers activities that are modified to meet the needs of individuals with disabilities. Our Certified Therapeutic Recreation staff enhance the physical, social and lifetime recreational interests of participants in a broad spectrum of leisure experiences.
For more information about the theatre program, visit Columbus.gov/Theatre

For more information about the Cultural Arts Center, visit CulturalArtsCenterOnline.org
Columbus Recreation and Parks offers arts programming for every age, interest and skill level. Whether your passion is dance or music, ceramics or painting, you will find a class or workshop to help you express your creativity. Several of our community centers have robust theatre programs, which include performances at the Columbus Performing Arts Center throughout the year.
While we host an array of classes in our 29 community centers, our **Cultural Arts Center** (CAC) provides a more immersive creative experience for adults to develop and/or improve their artistic talents. With nine fully-equipped studio spaces, and 15 different creative mediums taught, the center offers a variety of in-depth, hands-on classes, from beginner to advanced. Classes are led by accomplished artists in a welcoming atmosphere.

Each year, CAC presents innovative exhibitions, featuring contemporary works from local, regional and national artists, while also giving CAC students the opportunity to exhibit their work. With two separate gallery spaces, our rotating exhibitions offer a diverse display of mediums and themes.

CAC also hosts the city’s longest-running artist talk series, **Conversations & Coffee**. This free weekly program gives participants the chance to gain key insight on art from a variety of artists who represent multiple facets within the art world.
While our community centers are open to people of all ages, we have seven centers with robust programming for those who are 50 and older.

**SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTERS**

- **GILLIE COMMUNITY SENIOR CENTER**  
  (614) 645-3106

- **MARTIN JANIS COMMUNITY SENIOR CENTER**  
  (614) 645-5954

**MULTI-GENERATIONAL CENTERS**

- **BARNETT COMMUNITY CENTER**  
  (614) 645-3065

- **LAZELLE WOODS COMMUNITY CENTER**  
  (614) 645-5330

- **DODGE COMMUNITY CENTER**  
  (614) 645-3176

- **WHETSTONE COMMUNITY CENTER**  
  (614) 645-3217

- **MARION FRANKLIN COMMUNITY CENTER**  
  (614) 645-3612

Become a member of our FREE 50+ program and gain access to exclusive classes, activities and trips tailored to meet the needs of older adults. All members have access to senior fitness centers and sports programs.

**SENIOR 50+ MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS**

- A monthly Senior (50+) newsletter
- Priority registration for leisure and educational trips
- Priority registration for all senior classes and activities

*A Leisure Card is required and registration must be completed.

Register online at ColumbusRecParks.com
CENTRAL OHIO AREA AGENCY ON AGING

The Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging (COAAA) plans, funds and delivers services that help older adults and individuals with disabilities remain safe and independent in their homes. With the assistance of area providers, COAAA coordinates services to help individuals with daily living needs, such as homemaking, transportation, home-delivered meals and personal care.

For more information about COAAA, call (614) 645-7250 or visit coaaa.org.

GOLDEN HOBBY GIFT SHOP

The Golden Hobby Gift Shop is a consignment shop for handcrafted items created by central Ohio seniors. Anyone 50+ living in Franklin or one of the contiguous counties may schedule an appointment to become a consignor by calling (614) 645-8329.
PARKS

Parks are vital to a vibrant, successful city, and Columbus is no exception. The Columbus Recreation and Parks Department boasts more than 370 parks on more than 13,500 acres.

To learn more about the parks in Columbus, and the variety of amenities offered at each of them, visit the parks section of ColumbusRecParks.com.
Columbus has more than 120 miles of trails and is a part of the Central Ohio Greenways (COG) trails system. The COG connects the central Ohio region with more than 220 miles of trails for everyone to explore parks, neighborhoods, rivers and the vibrant, diverse culture of one of the greatest places in the nation to live, work and play. Whether you are a biking enthusiast or an avid nature lover, the trails are divided into sections that will appeal to your personal taste.

To ensure everyone can enjoy the trails, here are some tips and etiquette to follow:

**ALL USERS:** Motorized vehicles are not permitted. Be courteous and predictable to other trail users at all times. Keep right and always pass on the left, giving audible warning to pedestrians, skaters and other bicyclists. Maintain single file when others are within 100 feet. Pets are not permitted on greenway trails unless on a leash (maximum length of six feet) and under the direction of the pet owner. You must also clean up after your pet on all portions of the greenway trails. Dispose of litter in waste receptacles. Alcohol is prohibited on trails in park systems.

**BICYCLISTS AND SKATERS:** Yield to pedestrians. Give audible warning when passing pedestrians, skaters or bicyclists. Ride and skate at a safe speed. Slow down and form a single file in congested conditions, reduced visibility and other hazardous conditions.

**PEDESTRIANS:** Please stay to the right side of the trail except when otherwise designated. Watch for other trail users. Be especially alert when running. Listen for audible signals and allow faster trail users (runners and bicyclists) to pass safely.

Separate from the Central Ohio Greenways, we also offer many loop walking paths within our parks.

Learn more at ColumbusRecParks.com
Our Capital Kids Program is designed to enhance students’ academic achievement and to provide a safe place to learn and play after school. For almost 20 years, our well-trained staff has provided educational support, mentoring, healthy exercise and nutrition, socialization and enrichment to vulnerable youth, at four locations.

Capital Kids serves youth in grades K-5, with Columbus City Schools’ high-need locations as feeder sites for our program. Currently, Capital Kids is at Beatty, Feddersen, Marion Franklin and Sullivant Gardens community centers. Participants benefit from state-of-the-art technology, high expectations and high performance standards, which help them succeed.

**WHAT WE OFFER:**

Academic assistance, including help with homework, science projects, reading and math. We are in the schools daily and work with the teachers and administrators on developing achievable learning plans for students. We sit in with families for student Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) and school conferences.

A nutritious hot meal or snack daily, which the children receive as soon as they arrive at the center. Our philosophy is that a child can’t learn without food as fuel. In partnership with Mid-Ohio Foodbank, we also offer our families free weekend take-home groceries.

Enrichment activities such as cooking, gardening, nutrition, drama, art, fitness, Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts.

Prevention programs in anger management, substance abuse, bullying and violence, along with peer mediation.

Recreation and socialization through ball games, board games, outdoor play and group activities.

Many opportunities for family involvement, a “must” for our program. We have family fun nights, resource referrals, parent/staff conferences, parent/teacher conferences and newsletters.

Spring and summer camp experiences.

To learn more, visit [Columbus.gov/CapitalKids](http://Columbus.gov/CapitalKids) or call (614) 645-3330.
APPLICATIONS FOR PURPOSE, PRIDE AND SUCCESS (APPS)

Our APPS program is designed to help reduce neighborhood crime and violence, through the use of proven prevention and intervention strategies that increase protective factors in the lives of Columbus youth and young adults, ages 14–23.

Additionally, event calendars are created with extended hours for engagement and feature fun and enriching activities during school breaks.

Learn more about APPS at bit.ly/APPSCbus.

LOCATIONS
BEATTY COMMUNITY CENTER | DOUGLAS COMMUNITY CENTER
GLENWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER | LINDEN COMMUNITY CENTER*

* Linden Community Center programs will take place at Linmoor Education Center during construction of the new facility.

NEIGHBORHOOD VIOLENCE INTERVENTION

Our Neighborhood Violence Intervention (NVI) program uses proven strategies to interrupt violence at the street level and promote conflict resolution. Trained Interventionists use mediation, conflict resolution and community crisis response tactics as part of our proactive strategy to stop violence before it happens.

RECREATION

We offer free, safe and constructive activities for teens and young adults as part of our prevention efforts, which includes mentoring.
The Columbus Recreation and Parks Department’s mission states: **We connect the people of our community through the power of nature, wellness and creativity.** While our vision to create a socially equitable city is bold, access to programs and services continues to be an important pillar of our work.

The Columbus Recreation and Parks (CRP) Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, was launched in 2018 to transform how the department serves central Ohio neighborhoods. Starting with the Linden Community Center and the Centers for Opportunity model, the CRP Foundation aims to provide equitable access to vital programs and services across the region.

The establishment of the foundation fulfills the recommendation to expand partnership opportunities as recommended by the 2014 Master Plan. Independent but collaborative in spirit, the CRP Foundation focuses on leveraging public-private partnerships and philanthropic gifts.

For more information about the CRP Foundation or to donate, visit [CRPFoundation.org](http://CRPFoundation.org).
Columbus Recreation and Parks Department is always searching for new groups and individuals to volunteer in our parks, community centers and special events throughout the city!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES INCLUDE: COACHING AND OFFICIATING | COMMUNITY CENTERS, LANDSCAPING PARK CLEAN-UPS | PLAYGROUND CLEAN UPS | SPECIAL EVENTS, THERAPEUTIC RECREATION | TREE PLANTING

Questions about volunteering? Contact our Volunteer Office at volunteers@columbus.gov or (614) 645-3325.

Check out all of our volunteer opportunities at: Columbus.gov/CRPDVolunteers
SPECIAL EVENTS & PERMITS

Looking to organize a concert, block party or charity race? Columbus Recreation and Parks Department’s Office of Special Events helps event coordinators plan successful events while providing a positive impact to Columbus residents and businesses.

Visit [Columbus.gov/EventPlanningGuide](http://Columbus.gov/EventPlanningGuide) to get started!
FACILITY RENTALS

Looking for the perfect place to hold a formal wedding, graduation party, baby shower, birthday party or retirement celebration? Look no further than Columbus Recreation and Parks! Don’t stress about cleaning your house or having enough parking for all of your guests, we have unique facility options for every budget! Whether you are looking for elegant wedding venues, lodges, picnic shelters or banquet halls, let us help your family and friends make memories that will last a lifetime.

If boating adventures are what you are looking for, we have just what you need! The City of Columbus operates four marinas. Explore the underrated waterways of Griggs, O’Shaughnessy and Hoover reservoirs by asking about the docks we have available. Not sure if our docks are for you? We offer a 50 percent discount beginning Sept. 1 for the remainder of the 2019 boating season. Not only do you get to test the waters during the cooler fall months, but this also guarantees your dock for next spring when you choose to renew! Our reservoirs offer great recreational activities, such as fishing, skiing, canoeing, kayaking, wakeboarding and much more.

Reservations can be made Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis and are accepted up to one year in advance.

To find a location or a facility, visit Columbus.gov/CRPDRentals or call (614) 645-3337.
Columbus Recreation and Parks Department has 29 community centers that offer programs in sports, arts, conservation and health and wellness for residents of all ages and interests.

**COMMUNITY CENTERS**

BARACK
580 Woodrow Ave. | 43207
(614) 645-3610

BARNETT
1184 Barnett Rd. | 43227
(614) 645-3065

BEATTY
247 N. Ohio Ave. | 43203
(614) 645-3218

BLACKBURN
263 Carpenter St. | 43205
(614) 645-7670

BRENTNELL
1280 Brentnell Ave. | 43219
(614) 645-7640

CARRIAGE PLACE
4900 Sawmill Rd. | 43235
(614) 645-3715

DODGE
667 Sullivant Ave. | 43215
(614) 645-8151

DOUGLAS
1250 Windsor Ave. | 43211
(614) 645-7407

DRIVING PARK
1100 Rhoads Ave. | 43206
(614) 645-3228

FAR EAST
1826 Lattimer Dr. | 43227
(614) 645-3159

FEDDERSEN
3911 Dresden St. | 43224
(614) 645-3083

GILLIE*
2100 Morse Rd. | 43229
(614) 645-3106

GLENWOOD
1888 Fairmont Ave. | 43223
(614) 645-3282

HOLTON
303 N. Eureka Ave. | 43204
(614) 645-3208

HOWARD
2505 N. Cassady Ave. | 43219
(614) 645-3713

INDIAN MOUND
3901 Parsons Ave. | 43207
(614) 645-3224

LAZELLE WOODS
8140 Sancus Blvd. | 43081
(614) 645-5330

LINDEN**
Linmoor Education Center
2001 Hamilton Ave. | 43211
(614) 645-3067

MARION FRANKLIN
2801 Lockbourne Rd. | 43207
(614) 645-3160

MARTIN JANIS*
600 E. 11th Ave. | 43211
(614) 645-5954

MILO GROGAN
862 E. 2nd Ave. | 43201
(614) 645-7376

SCHILLER
1069 Jaeger St. | 43206
(614) 645-3156

SULLIVANT GARDENS
755 Renick St. | 43223
(614) 645-8171

THOMPSON
1189 Dennison Ave. | 43201
(614) 645-3082

TUTTLE PARK
240 W. Oakland Ave. | 43201
(614) 645-3602

WESTGATE
455 S. Westgate Ave. | 43204
(614) 645-3264

WHETSTONE
3923 N. High St. | 43214
(614) 645-3217

WILLIAM H. ADAMS
854 Alton Ave. | 43219
(614) 645-3051

WOODWARD PARK
5147 Karl Rd. | 43229
(614) 645-3158

* Senior Community Center
** Under construction / reopens fall 2020

* Senior Community Center
** Under construction / reopens fall 2020
Share the Room, Not the Bed.

A Alone  B Back  C Crib
Every nap, every night, every time.

For a free crib, call 311 or visit www.CelebrateOne.info.