

# SEARCHING FOR VOLUNTEERS

**Tony Collins, Director**  
**Columbus Recreation and Parks Department**

**Andrew Ginther, Mayor**  
**City of Columbus**



## More Opportunities Inside!

**April 16**

### **Outdoor Education Spring Cleanup**

Contact: Christina Snyder,  
[outdooreducation@columbus.gov](mailto:outdooreducation@columbus.gov)  
McKnight Outdoor Education Center

**June 10-12**

### **Arts Festival**

Contact: Todd Camp,  
[tmcamp@columbus.gov](mailto:tmcamp@columbus.gov)  
Cultural Arts Center

**July 22-24**

### **Jazz & Ribs Festival**

Contact: Brooke Baldwin,  
[bmbaldwin@columbus.gov](mailto:bmbaldwin@columbus.gov)

## VOLUNTEER WITH US

The Columbus Recreation and Parks Department is seeking groups, organizations and individuals to assist in a variety of activities, events and programs throughout the year. If you would enjoy working in one of our beautiful parks, recreation centers, golf courses, Cultural Arts Center or a special event, we can help! If your group is looking for a one-day community service project or a longer term commitment, we have many options.

In this publication you will find a listing of the different volunteer opportunities with the Columbus Recreation and Parks Department during the Fall/Winter months.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please feel free to contact the Volunteer Services Office at [volunteers@columbus.gov](mailto:volunteers@columbus.gov) or at (614) 645-3325.



THE CITY OF  
**COLUMBUS**  
ANDREW J. GINTHER, MAYOR

**RECREATION AND PARKS  
DEPARTMENT**

# Columbus Recreation and Parks Department Phone Numbers



## **ATHLETIC COMPLEXES**

- Berliner: 645-3643
- Big Run: 645-3075
- Cleo Dumaree: 645-3696
- McDonald: 645-3223
- Willis: 645-3180

## **GOLF**

- Administration: 645-3341
- Airport: 645-3127
- Champions: 645-7111
- Mentel: 645-3050
- Raymond: 645-3276
- Turnberry: 645-2582
- Wilson Road: 645-3221

## **50+ COMMUNITY**

### **RECREATION CENTERS**

- Beatty: 645-3218
- Dodge: 645-3176
- Gillie: 645-3106
- Lazelle Woods: 645-5330
- Marion Franklin: 645-3160
- Martin Janis: 645-5954
- Westgate: 645-3264
- Whetstone: 645-3217

## **OTHER SECTIONS**

- Administration: 645-3300
- Aquatics: 645-3129
- COAAA: 645-7250
- Cultural Arts: 645-7047
- Development: 645-3316
- Indian Village: 645-3380
- Marketing: 645-1492
- Outdoor Education: 645-5980
- P.L.A.Y.: 645-3316
- Permits/Rentals: 645-3337
- Special Events: 645-3800
- Sponsorships: 645-3032
- Sports: 645-3366
- Volunteers: 645-3325

**Thanks to all of our  
wonderful volunteers!**

**YOU make the  
difference!**

# COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTERS

Rewarding, fun, creative, active— that describes our opportunities within our Community Recreation Centers! Many of the recreation centers need your help with special events, coaching, scorekeeping, center councils and front desk help.

**This is a great way to make a difference in the community and strengthen your neighborhood!  
To volunteer, call any center below and ask to speak with the manager.**

Barack: 580 Woodrow Ave., 645-3610

Beatty: 247 N. Ohio Ave., 645-3218

Brentnell: 1280 Brentnell Ave., 645-7640

Dodge: 667 Sullivant Ave., 645-3176

Driving Park: 1100 Rhoads Ave., 645-3228

Feddersen: 3911 Dresden St., 645-3083

Holton: 303 N. Eureka Ave., 645-3208

Indian Mound: 3901 Parsons Ave., 645-3224

Linden: 1254 Briarwood Ave., 645-3067

Milo Grogan: 862 E. 2nd Ave., 645-7376

Sullivant Gardens: 755 Renick St., 645-8171

Tuttle: 240 W. Oakland Ave., 645-3602

Whetstone: 3923 N. High St., 645-3217

Woodward Park: 5147 Karl Rd., 645-3158

Barnett: 1184 Barnett Rd., 645-3065

Blackburn: 263 Carpenter St., 645-7670

Carriage Place: 4900 Sawmill Rd., 645-3715

Douglas: 1300 Windsor Ave., 645-7407

Far East: 1826 Lattimer Dr., 645-3159

Glenwood: 1925 W. Broad St., 645-3282

Howard: 2505 N. Cassady Ave., 645-3713

Lazelle Woods: 8140 Sancus Blvd., 645-5330

Marion Franklin: 2801 Lockbourne Rd., 645-3160

Schiller: 1069 Jaeger St., 645-3156

Thompson: 1189 Dennison Ave., 645-3082

Westgate: 455 S. Westgate, 645-3264

William H. Adams: 854 Alton Ave., 645-3051

## COLUMBUS KIDS CARE YOUTH VOLUNTEER CORPS

**A great way to gain community service  
hours!**

A program designed to actively involve young people in the department while gaining community service hours for school, learning employability skills and becoming involved with their community.

For an application, email [volunteers@columbus.gov](mailto:volunteers@columbus.gov)  
or call 645-3325.

GET INVOLVED!

MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

**VOLUNTEER!**

# CLEAN UP A PARK!

If your group, organization, neighborhood or civic association is interested in conducting park cleanup projects or adopting any parks, please complete the form below and return to our Volunteer Services Manager:

Email: [volunteers@columbus.gov](mailto:volunteers@columbus.gov),  
1111 East Broad Street, Ste. 101 Columbus, Oh 43205  
or fax to (614) 645-8839.

**Thanks for your support of the parks!**

## Park Partner Project Form

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Initial Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (B): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (H): \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated number of volunteers for project: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Date preferred \_\_\_\_\_ Start/Finish times for event \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred park to work in: \_\_\_\_\_ (If no park preference is stated, please indicate an area of the city preferred – east, west, central, south, north)

#Bags \_\_\_\_\_ #Gloves \_\_\_\_\_ needed for volunteers

(Can be picked up at 1111 E. Broad St., prior to cleanup.)

**If Minors:** Ages of Volunteers \_\_\_\_\_ Is there adult supervision? ( ) Yes ( ) No

On the day of your cleanup, please place any filled bags and/or larger items in or near a dumpster. Columbus Recreation and Parks maintenance staff will collect the bags at their earliest convenience.

**Thanks again!**

GREAT FOR GROUPS!

## HONEYSUCKLE REMOVAL

Restoring our native ecosystems is crucial to maintaining clean and safe parks for everyone to enjoy. A large part of this restoration process includes eradicating invasive plant species and planting new native plants.

Saturdays from April through October.

What to bring: long pants, hats, boots, gloves, water, snack, sunscreen, bug spray.

*If interested, please contact Karl Hoessle at 645-2863 or [kjhoessle@columbus.gov](mailto:kjhoessle@columbus.gov).*

## PLAYGROUND CLEANUPS

You can help make a difference in your neighborhood.

The City of Columbus Recreation and Parks Department is seeking volunteers for the **Playground Program** which runs April 23 through October 8. The **Playground Program** focuses on the beautification of neighborhood playgrounds. Volunteers help to make the playgrounds safe and clean by spreading mulch around the playground equipment and cleaning up litter throughout the parks.

Locations and dates determined by request.

If you and/or your group are interested in participating, or have a neighborhood park you would like us to consider, please contact Ryan Walters at 645-7953 or [grwalters@columbus.gov](mailto:grwalters@columbus.gov).

## LANDSCAPE COMMUNITY CENTERS

NEW!

Various Columbus Recreation and Park Department Centers – Locations determined by request. Volunteers assist with mulching, pruning, edging and more.

Events are scheduled for Saturdays of every week from April 16<sup>th</sup> thru October 15<sup>th</sup> 2016 and other dates with prior planning and approval.

Please join us to make the entryways to our buildings look outstanding!

*If interested, contact Michael Hamilton at 645-0200 or [mihamilton@columbus.gov](mailto:mihamilton@columbus.gov) or*

*David Stearns at 645-3641 or [dastearns@columbus.gov](mailto:dastearns@columbus.gov).*



We ask that groups are no larger than 25 people for these opportunities. If you have a larger group that would like to get involved, then please contact our Volunteer Services Manager at [volunteers@columbus.gov](mailto:volunteers@columbus.gov).

Please visit [www.ColumbusRecParks.com](http://www.ColumbusRecParks.com) to view the schedule for each opportunity.

# OUTDOOR OPPORTUNITIES



## EDUCATIONAL GARDENS

We need volunteers like you to assist with planting, maintaining and harvesting at the following sites through October: Adams, Beatty, Blackburn, Feddersen, Howard, Indian Village, Marion Franklin, Milo Grogan, Thompson, Whetstone and Woodward Community Recreation Centers.

Please contact each center directly for more information (see page 4).

## PARK OF ROSES

Garden volunteers needed to maintain 11,000 rose bushes, the Heritage Rose Garden, a large daffodil garden, along with herb and perennial gardens. Needed through October to help with pruning, weeding, dead-heading, the Annual Rose Festival and many other tasks.

### Rose Garden

Morning group meets: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30a-12:00p

Evening group meets: Thursdays from 6:00p-dusk

### Perennial Garden

Wednesday morning or afternoon, flexible

If interested, contact [karen.h.martens@gmail.com](mailto:karen.h.martens@gmail.com)

### Herb Garden

Friday mornings: 8:00a-11:00a/12:00p (depends on work)

If interested, contact [grasor4378@att.net](mailto:grasor4378@att.net)



*For more information on any of the gardens, please call 645-3391 or visit [parkofroses.org](http://parkofroses.org).*

# OUTDOOR OPPORTUNITIES

## Spring Cleanup at Indian Village



It is time for our annual spring cleaning. Grab your family and friends and spend your morning outdoors giving back to the community. Litter pickup. Invasive plant removal. Park improvements.

Afterwards there will be a cookout and activities for all who volunteer! Activities include archery, rock climbing, self-guided hike and crafts!

Sat., April 16 9:00a-3:00p

McKnight Outdoor Education Center at Indian Village

*If you have any questions, please contact us at 614-645-3380 or [outdooreducation@columbus.gov](mailto:outdooreducation@columbus.gov).*

## PARK CLEANUPS

Parks need your help! Park cleanups are great for groups and individuals. You choose the date, time and park you would like to volunteer in and we can provide you with bags and gloves. To schedule a park cleanup, please complete the park project form (page 5) and return to our Volunteer Services Manager.

Here are a few park ideas to get you started:

West side of Columbus– Big Run, Glenwood, Rhodes, Westmoor, Hilltonia Park

East side of Columbus– Big Walnut, Brentnell, Nafzger, Helsel, Nelson, Linden Park

North side of Columbus– Antrim, Busch, Innis, Maloney Park

South side of Columbus– Three Creeks, Berliner, Indian Mound, Marion Franklin, McCoy, Driving Park

*If interested, contact our Volunteer Services Manager at 645-3325 or [volunteers@columbus.gov](mailto:volunteers@columbus.gov).*



# RECREATION CENTERS

## ADAMS- GARDENING

**Adams Recreation Center** is looking for volunteers to help with reviving the community learning garden. Experienced gardeners are preferred, but anyone is welcome!

*If interested, contact Asha Burney at 645-3051 or [akburney@columbus.gov](mailto:akburney@columbus.gov).*



## WOODWARD- ART

**Woodward Park Recreation Center** has ongoing volunteer opportunities in our art, sewing and gardening programs. If you enjoy helping young people learn basic skills while exploring their creativity, this might be the place for you!

*If interested, contact Terri Houston at 645-3158 or [tmhouston@columbus.gov](mailto:tmhouston@columbus.gov).*



## COACHES NEEDED

**Our Recreation Centers** need coaches and officials for a variety of sports activities. Call the center nearest to you to find out what openings we have!

\*A background check is conducted on all individuals working with children.

**Looking for other  
opportunities?**

**Call the recreation center  
nearest to you to see what  
is available!**



# THERAPEUTIC RECREATION

## QUEST AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM

Franklin Park Adventure Center

Mon.– Fri. 2:00p-6:00p

Throughout the school year

Tutors needed!

If interested, contact Luke Edelbrock at 645-0257 or [lpedelbrock@columbus.gov](mailto:lpedelbrock@columbus.gov).

## 4 FOOT HOOPS

Thursdays 6:00p-8:00p

Ends March 3

*If interested, contact Rae Ann Nutter at 645-5225 or [ranutter@columbus.gov](mailto:ranutter@columbus.gov).*

## PSC BOCCIA TOURNAMENT

Cleo Dumaree Athletic Complex

April 16

*If interested, contact Luke Edelbrock at 645-0257 or [lpedelbrock@columbus.gov](mailto:lpedelbrock@columbus.gov).*

## POWER SOCCER

Franklin Park Adventure Center

Tuesdays 6:00p-7:30p

Ends March 15

Volunteers needed to assist players and coach.

*If interested, contact Luke Edelbrock at 645-0257 or [lpedelbrock@columbus.gov](mailto:lpedelbrock@columbus.gov).*

## AQUATIC EXERCISE

Tues./Thurs. 11:00a-12:00p

September/October until

May 19

*If interested, contact Rae Ann Nutter at 645-5225 or [ranutter@columbus.gov](mailto:ranutter@columbus.gov).*

## TABLE TENNIS

Franklin Park Adventure Center

4:00p-5:00p

*If interested, contact Ivy Ortman at 645-5655 or [ilortman@columbus.gov](mailto:ilortman@columbus.gov).*

## PSC SWIM MEETS

Dates to be determined.

*If interested, contact Rae Ann Nutter at 645-5225 or [rnutter@columbus.gov](mailto:rnutter@columbus.gov).*



# THERAPEUTIC RECREATION

## FITNESS PROGRAMS

Franklin Park Adventure Center

Mon– Thurs. 7:00-9:00a

Mon./Wed. 2:00-6:00p

Tues./Thurs. 2:00-7:30p

Fri. 7:00a-2:00p

*If interested, contact Luke Edelbrock at 645-0257 or, Mary Beth Moore at 645-5648 or mbmoore@columbus.gov.*

## HOOPS MADNESS– 4 FOOT HOOPS BASKETBALL

### TOURNAMENT

Franklin Park Adventure Center

March 5

*If interested, contact Luke Edelbrock at 645-0257 or lpedelbrock@columbus.gov.*

## BOCCIA BALL

Franklin Park Adventure Center

Tues. & Thurs. 4:00-6:00p

*If interested, contact Luke Edelbrock at 645-0257 or lpedelbrock@columbus.gov.*

## UPPER BODY YOGA

Franklin Park Adventure Center

5:00p-6:00p

*If interested, contact Ivy Ortman at 645-5655 or ilortman@columbus.gov.*

## ADAPTIVE SWIM TEAM

Sat. October-April

*If interested, contact Rae Ann Nutter at 645-5225 or ranutter@columbus.gov.*

## WHEELCHAIR TRACK & FIELD

Dates to be determined.

*If interested, contact Jeremy Finton at jlfinton@gmail.com.*



# EVENTS

## CULTURAL ARTS CENTER

June 10-12, during the Arts Festival

The Arts Festival is the biggest weekend of the whole year for the art lovers in Columbus. And it's all happening right on our doorstep! Join us for a fun day of helping the community find out about all the exciting artistic opportunities at the Cultural Arts Center!

*If interested, contact Todd Camp at 645-7514 or [tmcamp@columbus.gov](mailto:tmcamp@columbus.gov).*

## JAZZ & RIBS FESTIVAL

Downtown Columbus

July 22-24

Join us and become a Festival Greeter or an Information Ambassador today!

*To sign up, visit*

*[www.hotribscooljazz.org/volunteer](http://www.hotribscooljazz.org/volunteer).*

*For questions, please contact Brooke Baldwin at 645-7995 or*

*[bmbaldwin@columbus.gov](mailto:bmbaldwin@columbus.gov).*



## BEER SALES AT BERLINER PARK

**Gate Monitors:** When alcohol is being sold, all entry and exit points must be monitored by an attendant. Attendants are responsible for checking all patrons entering and exiting the facility to make sure that no alcohol is leaving the facility, as well as no outside alcohol being brought in. There are a maximum of seven gates that need to be covered, depending on the number of sales points.

**Sales:** Responsible for beer sales, collecting money and checking ID's. Two workers will need to be present at each sales point. A CRPD staff member will be on site at all times.

March 18-19 & September 2-3

Shifts: 10a-5p, 5p-Midnight (may vary depending on game times/weather)

Volunteers must be 21 or older

**Payment:** Volunteer groups will receive 50% of net profits after completion of the event\*. Additionally, volunteer group will keep all tip money. Payment made within 3 days of completion of the event.

*If interested, contact Jack Castle at 645-3322 or [jrcastle@columbus.gov](mailto:jrcastle@columbus.gov).*

*\*Inventory of all alcohol and money will be done nightly, for each sales point. In the event the income does not match alcohol sales, the difference will be taken out of volunteer groups portion.*

## OTHER INTERESTS

### AND... ACTION!

Upcoming performances at various locations, including Carriage Place, need your help! We are trying to find piano players, dance instructors and set builders for our plays.

*If interested, contact John Heisel at 645-3715 or [jdheisel@columbus.gov](mailto:jdheisel@columbus.gov).*

### 50+ CENTERS

The 50+ recreation centers are seeking volunteers to assist with various special events, teaching classes, gardening and being front desk host/hostess.

To volunteer, contact your local 50+ community center manager (complete listing of centers on page 3)

### THE CAPITAL KIDS

Help tutor kids with the Capital Kids program!

September– June

Mon.-Fri. 3:00-6:00p

*If interested, contact the site that's most convenient:*

*Beatty: 645-3635*

*Feddersen: 645-3083*

*Marion Franklin: 645-5456*

*Sullivant Gardens: 645-5587*

### RECREATION CENTERS

Our recreation centers are always in need of volunteers! Call the center nearest to you to find out what opportunities our recreation centers have available for our volunteers.

Volunteers typically needed for weekly sports practices, running events, parties and even coaching.

See pages 3-4 for the full listing of recreation centers and their contact information.