



**Wyoming Parks & Recreation Department
2012 Annual Report**



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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

One of the key pillars of community building, demanded by our citizens and affirmed through their dedicated support, is the services and programs provided through our Parks and Recreation Department. As a community, our investments in a strong municipal parks and recreation system reap many benefits, including:

- Creating and sustaining Wyoming as an attractive and appealing place to live, work, and play.
- Enhancing social cohesion through our programs, such as T.E.A.M. 21, the Wyoming Senior Center, Pumpkin Path, Adult Softball and Teen Advisory Committee which bring together children, families, and adults, acting as a unifying force in the community.
- Developing our parks as personal neighborhood sanctuaries that work to inspire feelings of tranquility and happiness, creating oasis's to escape the rigors of everyday life and through the physical environment, promote health and wellness.
- Providing economic benefits for the broader community through well maintained parks, working to sustain, through park redevelopment, the improvement of residential property values.

As your Mayor, I think of myself and others who've made connections beyond our normal social circles through our parks and recreation programs. I'm grateful for the relationships that have been forged through sports and leisure activities, often times developing into life-long friendships. I'm proud of our parks and recreation staff, thankful for your support, and pleased to affirm how the dedicated parks and recreation millage is being cared for and used to improve all of our lives.

Yours in service,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jack Poll". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.



DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

As staff we strive for integrity, excellence, inclusion, and sustainability in our daily duties. As you review this report, I hope you rest assured that these commitments are being met, and, to the best of our ability, exceeded. Through your generosity we are stewards of almost 700 acres of park land and the providers of almost 300 recreation, sport, after-school, leisure, and health and wellness programs. Each facet of our work strives to meet the sustainability principles adopted by the City Council: social equity, environmental quality, and economic strength.

The challenges are many: declining revenue while realizing increasing service demands; a growing population, with unique and diverse needs - generationally, culturally, socially, economically; aging infrastructure; and an economy in transition. Transforming our service models to align and respond to the challenges presented while meeting and exceeding expectations is an ongoing process. Over the course of this past year we have:

- Engaged the community in the creation and adoption of the City of Wyoming 5-Year Recreation Master Plan, 2013-2017, setting in place a new strategic vision for recreation, leisure, and wellness programming, and park property acquisition and development.
- Merged Facilities Services into Park Maintenance Services fostering a leaner, more efficient workforce.
- Built upon our partnerships with the Greater Wyoming Community Resource Alliance, Wyoming Community Foundation, and our many public school districts.
- Forged new communication opportunities with citizens through social media, including Facebook, Twitter, and our monthly email newsletter.

As custodians of taxpayer and donor dollars, staff has the responsibility to ensure that programs and services align to the priorities established by City Council and demanded by citizens. Have we been successful? Upon receiving this report please share your opinion by email to me at parks_info@wyomingmi.gov.

WYOMING PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

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MISSION

The City of Wyoming Parks and Recreation Department provides programs and services that positively impact the social, economic, health and environmental quality of the community.

VISION

The City of Wyoming Parks and Recreation Department offers programs and services that allow community members to experience physical, mental and social benefits through their leisure time participation, providing opportunities for youth and adults to live, grow and develop into healthy, contributing members of our community.



RECREATION: BY THE NUMBERS

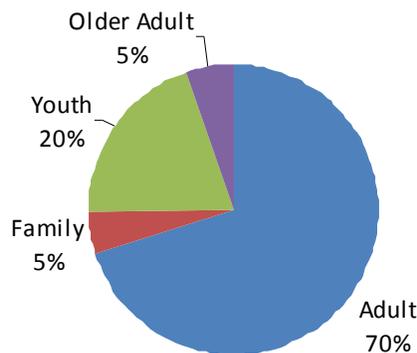
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Youth, Adult, and Family
Recreation Classes and Programs

13,422

Participants in Recreation
Classes and Programs

General Recreation Revenue:
\$181,028



Program Offerings Breakdown by Age

Age Group	Actual FY 2012	2013 - 2017 Goal
Youth 3 - 6	11%	10%
Youth 7 - 12	21%	19%
Youth 13 - 17	12%	8%
Adult 18 - 29	4%	10%
Adult 30 - 49	12%	13%
Adult 50 - 69	14%	15%
Adult 70+	22%	15%
Family	4%	10%

YOUTH & FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM PROVIDES OPPORTUNITIES



In August of 2010, the Parks & Recreation Department rolled out a scholarship program for income qualifying residents of the City of Wyoming thanks to a partnership with the Greater Wyoming Community Resource Alliance. These scholarships support youth and family participation in fee based programs offered through the Department.

In the first year of the scholarship program, based on the family's income level, participants received either a 25% or 50% off of a registration fee per season. Thanks to the continued generosity of the community through donations to the Alliance, and the desire

of the Alliance to provide access to valuable opportunities for the youth in the Wyoming community, the scholarship program was expanded to offer registration discounts of 50% and 75% in 2012. This opened the door for participants to explore more of what the Parks & Recreation Department has to offer.

"I am very glad that my son was able to participate in Start Smart Soccer. As a scholarship recipient family we are thankful for the opportunity."

- from a participant evaluation

Scholarships were used for 72 different program registrations in 2012, valued at \$1,197.13 worth in scholarship funds. While 52% of the scholarships were used towards our youth soccer league, participants also were able to participate in cheerleading, dance, guitar lessons, gymnastics, and the Start Smart classes. The scholarship program has opened the door for many families to allow their children to explore and develop their many interests, while connecting with others. According to one mother, "I want to find things for my kids to do that will keep them busy and interested. I thought I would only be able to afford one class, but now we get to do bowling, gymnastics and dance, and make lots of new friends."

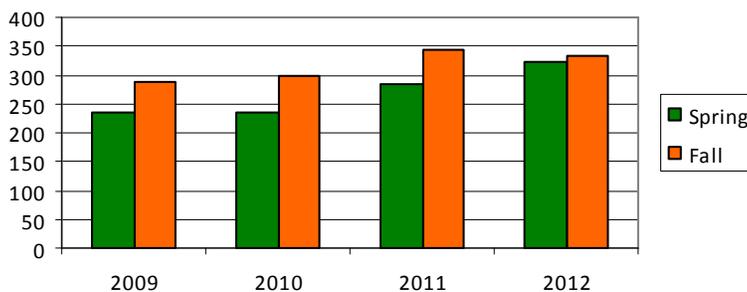
MEMORIES ARE MADE AND RELATIONSHIPS ARE FORMED AT OUR SOCCER FIELDS

As the number of participants in our Youth Soccer League continues to increase so to does the sense of community. In addition to serving youth, we also have teens and adults that serve as coaches, team parents and referees. 90% of our current referees played in our league as children. Each season we have many returning players and coaches, which builds relationships. The addition of preschoolers to our league's youngest age group has expanded our league.

"My husband, Craig, has coached our twin sons' soccer team since they were in kindergarten in 2005. In the spring of 2010, as we looked over the new roster of 3rd/4th grade kids, we were pleased to see a couple who indicated they would like to help coach the team. Even better, we were excited to see that Doug & Christy lived right in our neighborhood and Doug's son was the same age as our boys. The rest, of course, is history. We had a blast that first season and followed it up with multiple co-coaching seasons after that. When we look back, we all realize that not only did we all have fun coaching soccer together, but our families also made some great friends, thanks to the Wyoming Parks & Recreation Soccer program."

- Amy Piersma

Youth Soccer League - Number of Participants





ADULT SOFTBALL LEAGUES: GROWING AGAIN!

2012 once again saw an increase in the number of teams that registered for the Parks and Recreation Department’s softball leagues. The spring/summer leagues grew from 98 teams to 104 teams, a 6.1% increase. The fall leagues grew 1.2%, from 86 teams to 87 teams. Since 2005, the number of teams has grown 62.5% for spring/summer leagues and 141.7% for fall leagues.

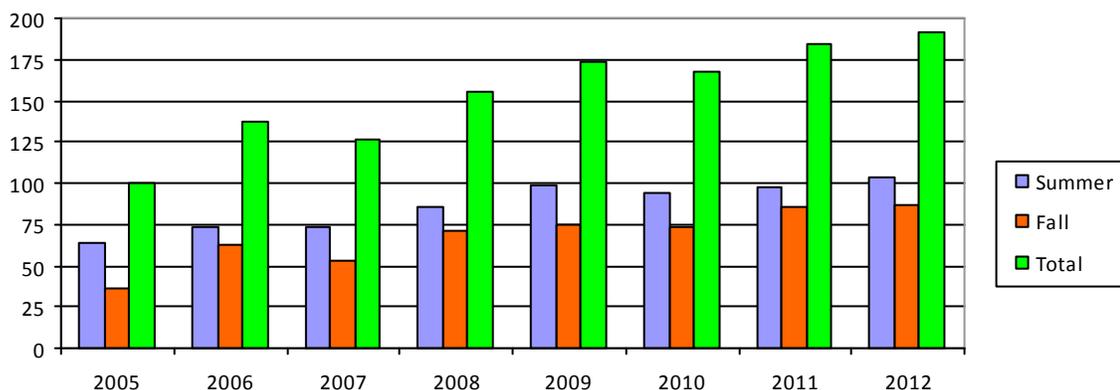
So what brings these teams to the Wyoming leagues, and just as importantly, what brings them back each year? Comments from our managers evaluation point to the fact that Wyoming runs a quality program. Managers appreciate having approachable staff members, whether at the field or in the office. They know someone is there to listen to their concerns. They also appreciate not being “surprised” when they arrive at the field. Whether it’s a change in schedule, weather-related cancellations or delays, or just knowing the opponent is going to be short-handed to start a game, we let the managers know as soon as possible. The support managers receive from the department, as one manager put it, makes it “easy to manage.”

When asked what the teams enjoyed the most about the Wyoming leagues, many of the teams noted the competitive balance of the leagues. Everyone likes to win, but it’s not the only thing that matters. “The friendly competition” and the opportunity to “spend time with friends” are what helps to define the experience for participants in our softball leagues. The department works hard to find the appropriate balance that teams are looking for. According to one manager, we got it right:

“The laid-back but competitive atmosphere was a nice change from overly competitive leagues and “church” leagues (no-competition). It was a nice in-between league.”

Wyoming’s softball leagues draw participants from all over the greater-Grand Rapids area, making an economic impact locally. By listening and being responsive to the needs of our teams, Wyoming will continue making our community a softball destination where teams tell us, “Overall, Awesome program! Great Job. Definitely will be back next year.”

Number of Softball Teams Through the Years



“We look forward to our Friday nights out at the ball field. You guys do a great job, which is why we enjoy playing here.”

- A coed league manager

WYOMING TEEN COUNCIL CONTINUES TO GROW

Volunteering in the community is a huge part of being a member of the Wyoming Teen Council. The 14 members of our Teen Council volunteered over 663 hours in 2012! Of these hours, 401 hours were spent volunteering at special events, 86 hours supported Reverse Mentoring seniors at the Wyoming Senior Center, and 108 were spent on a special summer project. Entering into their third year as a Teen Council, the teens chose to focus their time on giving back to the community through volunteerism.

The Teen Council partnered often with the Wyoming Senior Center volunteering at major events such as Christmas in July, Fellowship Club Picnic and "Happy Hour." They also mentored seniors monthly through their Reverse Mentoring program. Reverse Mentoring is a program held at the Wyoming Senior Center where people age 50 and older receive free technology help from members of the Wyoming Teen Council. Guidance on computers, digital cameras, Facebook, cell phones, email accounts and other technology related items is given helping to bridge the generation gap in our community by putting teens in a teaching role with their elders.

2012 Volunteer Events

Maranda Park Party
Teen Water Fight
Kid 2 Kid Sale
Christmas in July (WSC)
Annual Picnic (WSC)
Movie in the Park
Happy Hour (WSC)
Pumpkin Path
Santa Parade
Zumba Nite Fundraiser
Wyoming-Grandville Relay for Life

The Teen Council kept extra busy this summer dedicating 108 hours to a project to create two PSA (public service announcements). The teens wrote, filmed and edited PSAs on truancy and gang recruitment. The project was made possible by a grant that the Wyoming Community Youth Coalition received from the Wyoming Community Foundation. An Intern from the Hispanic Center of Western Michigan spearheaded the project.



"Thanks to the teens who met me at my car right away to register me and direct me!"

- Kid 2 Kid Sale Participant

"It was a lot of fun being on the Teen Council this past year and I'm really looking forward to being on the e-board this fall."

- Teen Council Member



T.E.A.M. 21: BY THE NUMBERS

1,500

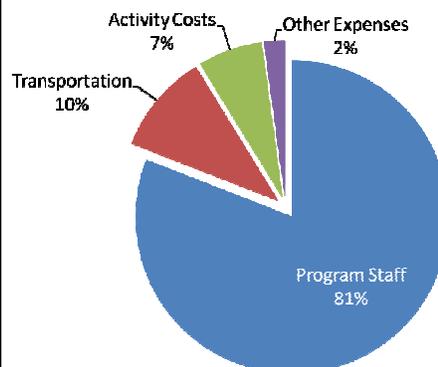
Children who benefitted from T.E.A.M. 21 last year

4,680

Volunteer hours logged from community members and partners

FY 2012 Operating Budget:

\$913,738



\$8.1 Million

Dollars brought into the Wyoming Community through T.E.A.M. 21 grants since 2004

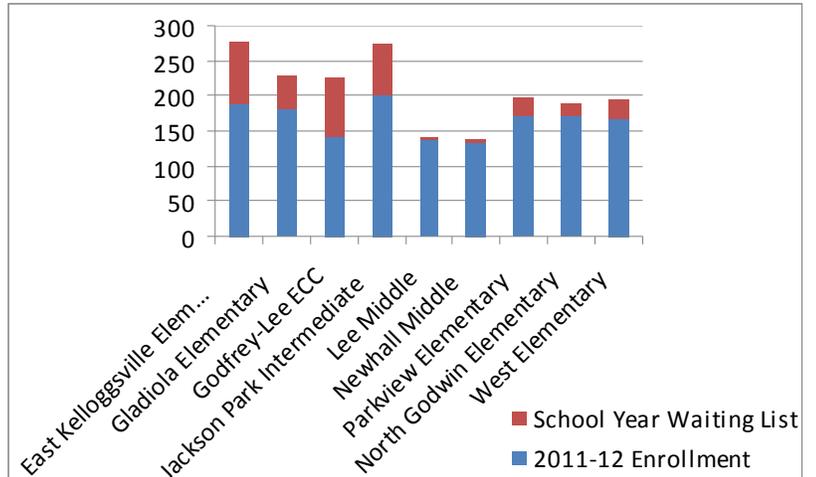
98%

Percent of parents surveyed gave T.E.A.M. 21 a grade of A or B, identifying the program as Excellent or Good.

T.E.A.M. 21: MEETING THE NEEDS OF A CHANGING COMMUNITY

The Wyoming community has undergone a transformation in recent years, as the local, state and national economies have struggled, and the landscape of the automotive industry in the United States - an industry once responsible for the bulk of the jobs in this region - has changed dramatically.

In the last fifteen years, the free and reduced lunch rate in schools, a common measure of economic disadvantage, has jumped from just 33% of the student population to 74% across the 4 primary public school districts located in the City. At the same time, we have seen a significant change in the social and demographic make-up of our community, including an increase in the percentage of single parent households, families with two working parents, and an increase in minority populations. These social and economic factors have only increased the need for a safe and enriching program to engage students after the school day ends.



To meet these challenges, T.E.A.M. 21 engages students through mentorship and activities that specifically target the areas where low-income and academically at-risk students need the most support. Daily academics and homework help are at the core of our program model, working closing with our schools to meet the academic needs of students. Additionally, a wide variety of service-learning and character education classes, with support from school counselors, help students grow and develop in the area of social and emotional health. T.E.A.M. 21 offers a variety of arts & enrichment activities, allowing students to develop and practice new skills and explore new passions, instilling a sense of purpose and increasing self esteem. Finally, our fitness, recreation, and nutrition activities serve to help students develop healthy habits with respect to their physical health, in an effort to help combat the disproportionate incidence of obesity and diabetes seen in areas of high economic need.



COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS

As part of our effort to prepare students for college, work, and life, T.E.A.M. 21 has developed a hands-on and varied approach to college and career readiness at the middle school level. Through visits to college campuses and vocational training centers, combined with career profiles presented by area professionals, and resume and interview skill-building activities, students are exposed to a variety of career fields and post-secondary options to consider. Students research and think critically about a field that would fit their interests, along with the education and training requirements of those fields. By showcasing a wide variety of careers, students are exposed at an earlier age to potential interests, which have the ability to instill self-motivation to succeed academically. Ultimately, this can be a critical factor in combating the currently low graduation rates in the districts that house T.E.A.M. 21 programs.





WSC: BY THE NUMBERS

103

Programs Offered
through the WSC

66,542

Total Attendance for 2012

Wyoming Senior Fellowship Club Inc.

Founded in 1976, the Fellowship Club is an independent non-profit chartered to support the Wyoming Senior Center (WSC) through programmatic and financial contribution. The requirement for membership is just 5 decades of living.

Wyoming Residents: 61%
(Non-Residents reside in Byron Center, Hudsonville, Caledonia, Cedar Spring, etc.)

Female Members: 66%
Male Members: 34%

FY 2012 Parks & Recreation Millage
Support for WSC:

Program and Facility Operations:

\$ 333,180

Capital:

\$2,958

Wyoming Senior Fellowship Club

\$ 200,000

WYOMING SENIOR CENTER COMPLETES GAME ROOM RENOVATIONS

Continuing our investment in meeting the needs of our growing population of older adults, the Wyoming Senior Center (WSC) has completely renovated the Game Room, updating a popular area into a modern, user-friendly gaming space. Using a variety of funding sources — the dedicated Parks and Recreation millage, a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), and Wyoming Senior Fellowship Club, Inc. — the WSC refurbished pool tables, improved the energy efficiency by replacing outdated windows and light fixtures. Additionally, a second flat-screen television was donated by our friends at Godfrey Lee Middle School, giving our patrons a television dedicated strictly to watching sports, while still having an area in which to use the WSC’s Nintendo Wii® gaming system.



“I am so thankful for the WSC everyday. I’m not sure what I would do without it. Coming here has allowed me to make new friend and find a productive way to spend my free time.”

- WSC Participant

VOLUNTEER SUPPORT PROVIDES GREAT IMPACT TO WSC

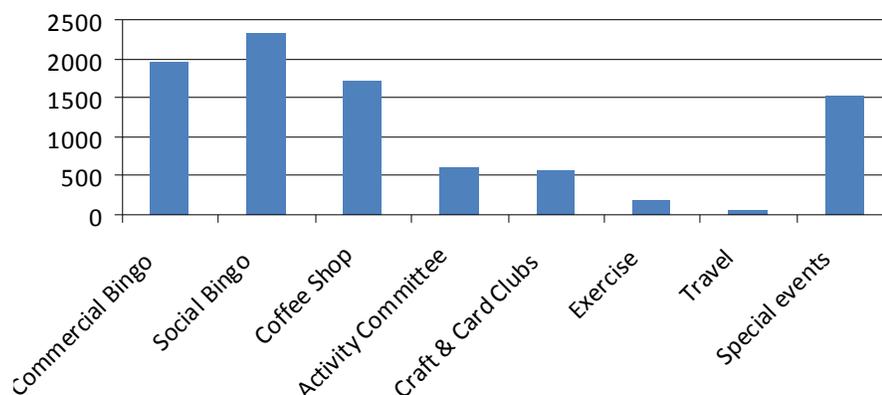


The success of the Wyoming Senior Center can be attributed to the volunteers who support our programs. Our tremendous team of volunteers, who are the backbone of what we do, bring enthusiasm, energy and ideas to every program, activity, and class at the WSC. They help guarantee that we offer a welcoming facility and quality programs to older adults in West Michigan.

To look just at the number of volunteers and the hours they put in for our programs ignores the human touch they add to many of our programs. However, the impact is great, and the numbers prove it. In 2012, approximately **120** volunteers gave **8,948** hours of their time to the WSC. That equates to 4 ½ full time staff members. Volunteer’s time and talents are used in a variety of ways, including Coffee Shop and Bingo support, organizing fitness programs, office support, etc. Many of the programs offered at the WSC rely on volunteers entirely to ensure that the programs run smoothly.

In January 2011, the WSC began a Volunteer of the Month Program. This is a great way to both spotlight our volunteers and give them a measure of extra thanks for all their hard work. In addition to this monthly recognition we acknowledge all of our volunteers at our Annual Volunteer Recognition Dinner.

Where do WSC Volunteers Serve?



COMPUTER CLASSES - TRANSITIONING TO THE FUTURE



In 2011 we welcomed new technology instructor, Joel Anderson, to the Wyoming Senior Center. Joel brought his expertise to our existing classes, Intro to Computers and Intro to Microsoft Office, reaching over 120 participants. With the tremendous success we had in these classes, we were able to expand program offerings in 2012 to include Intermediate Microsoft Excel and Word classes, as well as an Intro to Computers Part 2 and a Social Networking class.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS CLASSES HAVE HIGH-IMPACT FOR PARTICIPANTS

For many years the WSC has offered exercise and fitness classes. These classes continue to be popular with the community each and every year.

Walk Club had over 60 people this past year. Those walkers put their best foot forward to the tune of nearly 1,992 miles in 2012. Additionally, the WSC houses fitness classes. Classes range from challenging fitness experiences to energizing dance classes. Two of our more popular classes are Sweet & Low and Forever Fit. Forever Fit offers a moderate-impact exercise experience for those feeling up to the challenge, while Sweet & Low brings a low-impact opportunity to the participants looking for a less strenuous workout.

Reaching each of our health and wellness class participants helps us achieve our goal of offering active living opportunities to our community's older adults. No matter what level of fitness a participant brings to the table, the WSC has an offering to fulfill their personal wellness goals.



AQUATIC THERAPY SEES RISE IN DEMAND



The Stepping Stones program continued to see a demand in aquatic therapy throughout the year with 65% of clients enrolled in the program in 2012 interested in aquatic therapy. A new partnership was formed with the Salvation Army's Ray and Joan Kroc Community Center. With this partnership, Stepping Stones was able to utilize their pool facility for aquatic therapy sessions at no cost to our grant funded program.

Orthopedic conditions remain our top diagnosis of clients enrolled into our program in 2012 (42%), with Mental Illness (19%) and Arthritis (17%) following. Orthopedic conditions has directly increased the demand for aquatic therapy services as doctors and rehabilitation specialists are seeing the advantages for individuals who are recovering from an injury to utilize the pool for therapy.

In 2012, Stepping Stones maintained a waiting list with an average wait of five weeks for service. Our contracted therapist became Aquatic Therapy and Rehab Institute Certified to enhance our aquatic therapy program. Our 6th annual golf outing fundraiser brought in enough funds to pay for our rental fees at the YMCA for 2012 and to purchase aquatic equipment to be used during treatment sessions.



As a recipient of a Kent County Senior Millage grant, Stepping Stones continues to serve all eligible individuals throughout Kent County. Therapists travel from Cedar Springs to Alto, Lowell to Grandville on a weekly basis, ensuring all clients are treated and integrated within their own community. 73% of clients discharged successfully returned to their community activities in 2012 without further need of assistance.

"Stepping Stones has been a bright light in my life. My therapist helped me see the world as a glass half full. She has encouraged and assisted me to get moving again by joining an aquatics class. This has been fun and oh so good for my body."

- Stepping Stones Participant

GO! BUS TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE



The WSC's Transportation Assistance Grant program is funded by an Older Americans Act grant, allowing older adults (60+) to get door-to-door bus service. Interest for the Go! Bus tickets continues to be strong as 6,946 tickets were obtained by 80 Kent County residents who qualified for service in 2012. Program participants used tickets to get to medical appointments, grocery shopping, worship and the Wyoming Senior Center. \$11,133 in grant funding was received with participant donations accounting for an additional \$9,371.03 which were utilized to purchase Go! Bus tickets. (Note: Suggested donations are for ½ the \$3.00 ticket price which indicates a 97% success rate in obtaining the suggested donations).



PARKS: BY THE NUMBERS

21

Park properties

692

Acres of park land

42,344

Staff man-hours to maintain
park land and facilities

FY 2012 Total Operating Budget:

\$1,624,980

Total Capital:

\$248,318

163

Approximate number of man-hours of
volunteer park support through the
Adopt-a-Park program

527

Reservations and special events
held at Wyoming parks

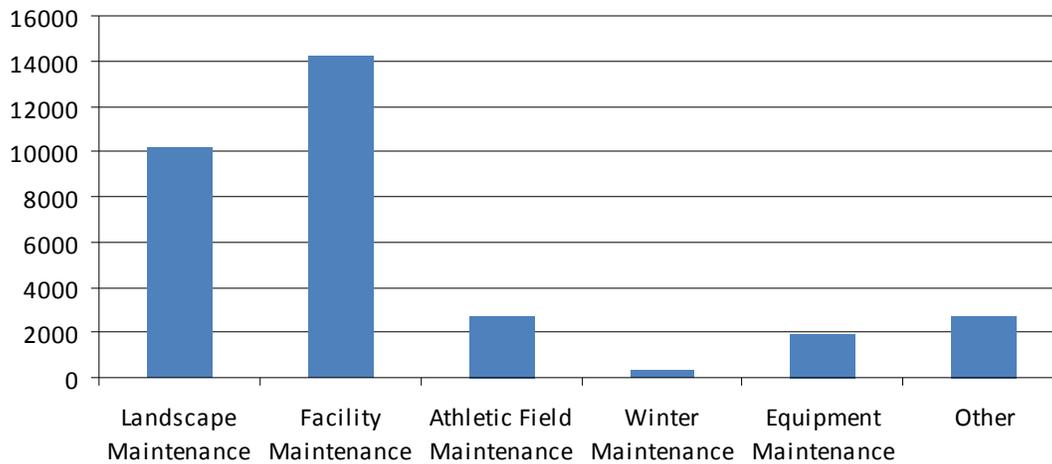
> 100,000

Visitors to Wyoming parks bring
positive economic impact to Parks &
Recreation Dept. and local businesses

DISTRIBUTION OF PARK MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR FY 2012

The City of Wyoming is blessed with 692 acres of park land. Our facilities include 2 lodges, 12 picnic shelters, 23 softball and baseball diamonds, 12 basketball courts, 29 tennis courts, 6 sand volleyball courts, 4 pickleball courts, 19 playgrounds, 1 skateboard park, 1 in-line hockey court, and 3 splashpads. Annually, we operate and maintain 16 restrooms for the convenience of our patrons. Below you will see how man-hours and costs to maintain park property and facilities were distributed in 2012.

Park Maintenance Man-hour Distribution



<u>Park</u>	<u>Man-hours</u>	<u>Value</u>
Battjes	689.34	\$ 16,379.97
Buck Creek & Tilma Nature Preserves	692.84	\$ 15,023.69
Ferrand	143.75	\$ 4,154.64
40th Street	85.00	\$ 3,040.76
Frog Hollow	992.84	\$ 17,708.41
Gezon	2,245.25	\$ 45,650.25
Hillcroft	343.20	\$ 6,574.59
Ideal	3,543.00	\$ 56,334.17
Jackson	406.00	\$ 10,438.44
Kimble Field	84.75	\$ 2,157.80
Kelloggsville	910.20	\$ 19,326.03
Lamar	6,027.36	\$ 110,216.27
Lemery	1,271.40	\$ 26,704.25
Lions	21.00	\$ 687.11
Marquette	1,348.84	\$ 31,941.13
Oriole	867.01	\$ 19,324.34
Palmer Field	566.90	\$ 10,619.81
Pinery	6,000.25	\$ 127,097.72
Prairie	544.96	\$ 10,713.13
Southlawn	367.75	\$ 7,196.83
Wyoming Senior Center	15,192.65	\$ 10,262.09

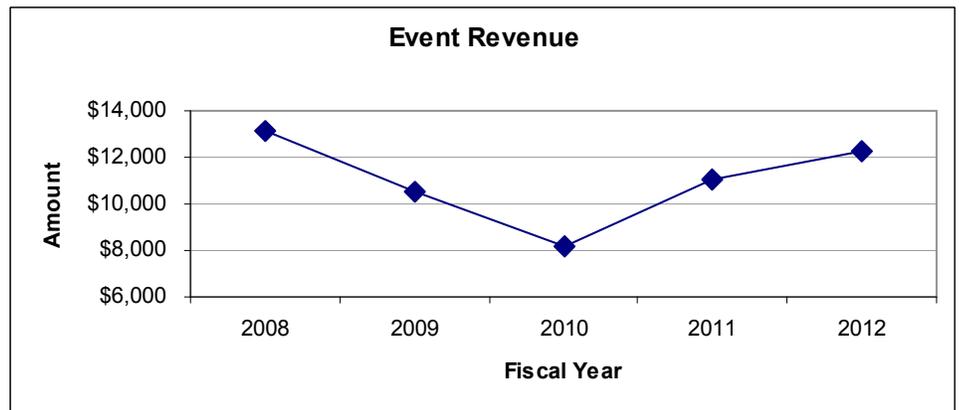
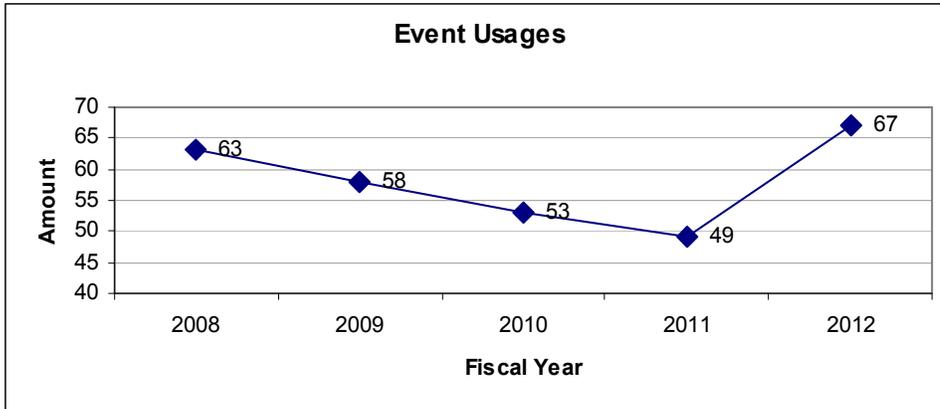
ATHLETIC AND SPECIAL EVENT REQUESTS AND USES INCREASE IN 2012

2012 athletic and special event usages for organizations and individuals increased 26% from 2010 and 36% from 2011. The increase is attributed to more public, charter and private school athletic program use of facilities, the increased use of facilities by youth travel/select baseball teams and park reservations for picnic/gatherings which utilize special equipment like a dunk tank or inflatable activities. Athletic and special event revenue has also increased 59% from 2010 and 24% from 2011. Some of the organizations that held athletic and/or special events this fiscal year included:

Wyoming Public Schools
 Kelloggville Public Schools
 Godwin Heights Public Schools
 Godfrey Lee Public Schools
 Tri-unity Christian Schools
 Potter's House Christian Schools
 National Heritage Academies
 Pinery Park Little League
 Elite Baseball
 Flames Baseball
 Grand Rapids Area Baseball League

Michigan Special Olympics Area 11
 St. Joseph the Worker Church
 Community Christian Reformed Church
 South Godwin Neighborhood Association
 Amerikam
 American Cancer Society
 SecurAlarm
 WOOD-TV 8
 Wyoming Community Enrichment Commission
 Goodwill Industries
 Holy Trinity Lutheran School

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
# of Reservations	63	58	53	49	67
Revenue	\$13,108	\$10,520	\$8,198	\$11,059	\$12,248





LEAVE-A-MARK, ADOPT-A-PARK!

Wyoming parks continue to benefit from the Adopt-a-Park program which allows citizens, area business and organizations to assist in the enhancement and preservation of local parks, nature preserves and green spaces. In 2012, nine (9) parks were adopted by six (6) different groups of volunteers. These groups included the Boy Scouts Troop 338 and Pack 3338, Hope Network, Journey of Faith, Kent Optimist Club of Grand Rapids, Kelloggsville High School's S.P.A.C.E. Program, and T.E.A.M. 21-West Elementary site. All Adopt-a-Park groups receive a Certificate of Appreciation, as well as signage if the group is willing to make a one-year commitment to a park. Volunteering to help improve and maintain our green spaces is a sound investment we can all be proud of!

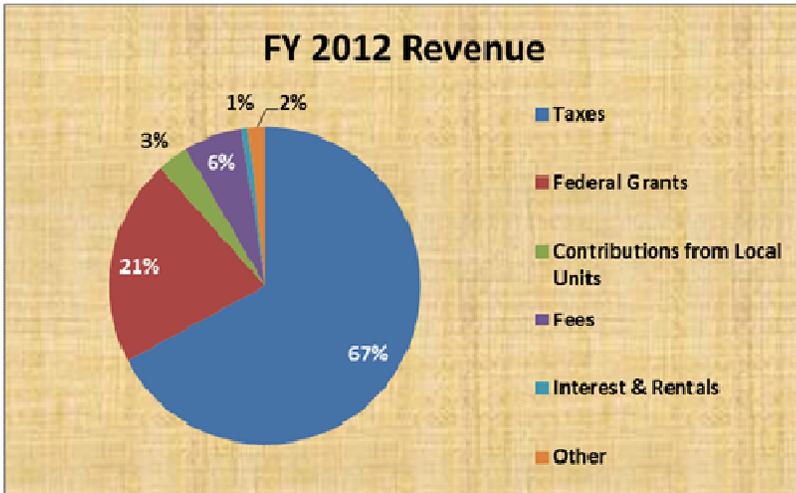


RESERVATION PATRONS CONTINUE TO BE IMPRESSED

During 2012, there were 464 lodge, shelter and section rentals at Pinery, Lamar and Ideal Parks for family reunions, birthday parties, and other similar special events. As self-reported by user groups, 70,864 people enjoyed the parks system through these reservations. Annual reservation survey responses affirm:

- 99% of patrons were satisfied or very satisfied with the conditions of our facilities.
- 98% of patrons were satisfied or very satisfied with our restrooms.
- 100% of patrons were satisfied or very satisfied with park safety.
- 100% of patrons were satisfied or very satisfied with office personnel.
- 98% of patrons were satisfied or very satisfied with service by park maintenance personnel.

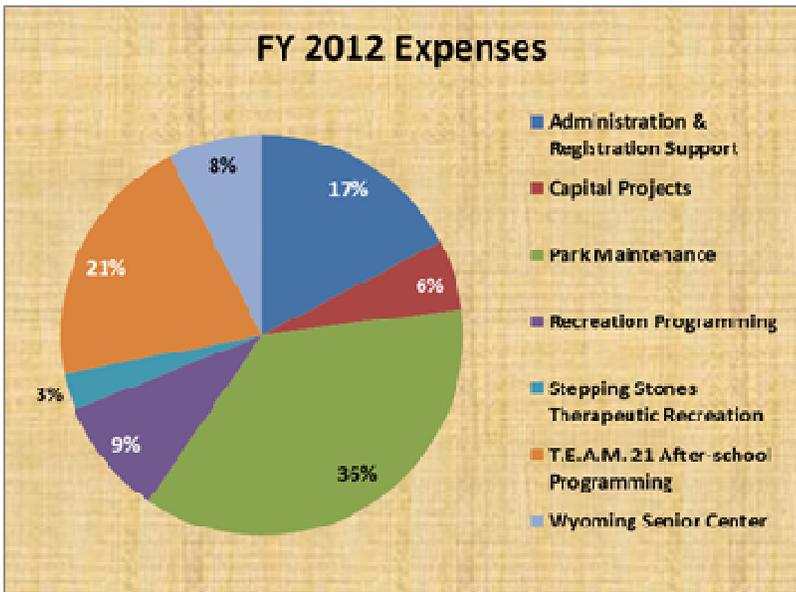
2012 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS



REVENUE

Taxes	\$ 2,955,730
Federal Grants	\$ 926,460
Contributions from Local Units	\$ 141,570
Fees	\$ 268,781
Interest & Rentals	\$ 29,393
Other	\$ 76,230

Total Revenue \$ 4,398,164



EXPENSES

Administration & Registration Support	\$ 769,278
Capital Projects	\$ 251,276
Park Maintenance	\$ 1,624,980
Recreation Programming	\$ 420,305
Stepping Stones Therapeutic Recreation	\$ 130,705
T.E.A.M. 21 After-school Programming	\$ 913,737
Wyoming Senior Center	\$ 333,180

Total Expenses \$ 4,443,461

OUR MILLAGE STORY

In 1994 the City made the difficult decision of closing its Parks and Recreation Department in order to offset deficits in its General Fund. At that time a citizens group successfully obtained over 8,000 signatures in a petition drive to ask voters to approve a dedicated millage to continue operations of the Parks and Recreation Department.

In 1995, a five year, 1.5 mil levy was approved by voters. And in 2000, voters were asked to extend the millage on a permanent basis. Their overwhelming approval allows for the operation of the Parks and Recreation Department both today, and for future generations.

2012 PARTNERS AND SPONSORS

The following is a partial list of collaborators who assisted the City of Wyoming Parks and Recreation Department in providing quality programs and facilities during 2012:

AARP	Hair Masters	Pratt Industries
Alger Bikes	Hearing Consultants	Precision One Concrete
American Cancer Society	Hearthstone Assisted Living	Relay For Life Wyoming – Grandville
American Red Cross	Higher Health Chiropractic	Rhema Empowerment Center
Anchor Point Christian School	Holy Trinity Lutheran Church & School	Roman Manufacturing
Arbor Circle	Home Depot	Salvation Army Kroc Center
Area Agency on Aging of Western Michigan	Home Repair Services	Senior Meals Program
Attic After School	Hope Network	Sonic Drive – In
Big Boy	Inter-Late Mortgage	South Wyoming U.M.C
Biggby Coffee	J & H Family Stores	Southside Vineyard
Body & Sol Tanning Studios	KDL – Wyoming Library Branch	St. Joseph the Worker Church
Borics 28th Street	Kellogg Snacks - Wyoming Bakery	St. Roberts Church
Check-N-Go	Kelloggsville Community Coalition	Target - Wyoming
Community Care Givers	Kelloggsville Public Schools	Tarry Hall Roller Skating Rink
Consumers Energy	Kendall Sign Company	TenderCare Health & Rehabilitation Ctr
Contractors Steel	Kent County Health Department	The Costume Room
Cook Arts Center	Kent County Humane Society	The Salvation Army Kroc Center
Craig’s Cruisers	Kent Intermediate School District	The Voyage Church
Crosswids Church	Kids Food Basket	Timber Ridge Apartments
Crusader Martial Arts	La Hacienda Banquet Center	United Bank
Culver’s Restaurant	Lake Michigan Credit Union	Valvoline Instant Oil change
Davenport University	LaPoderosa 640 AM	Vanguard Charter Academy
Eagle Eye Graphics	Ledford & Associates	Vanguard Girl Scout Troop #2681
Edward Jones	Little Caesar’s Pizza	Walgreen’s
Erisabel Beauty Salon	Lombardo’s Pizza	Wedgwood Christian Services
Expressions Dance Academy	Long John Silvers	Weller Truck Parts
Faith Community CRC	Macatawa Bank	West Michigan Fencing Academy
Family Fitness	Main Street Pub	WKTV
Family Video	Maranda/WOOD-TV 8	Wyoming Clean Water Plant
Firestone Complete Auto Care	Mary Free Bed Guild	Wyoming Community Church
Frankie V’s Pizzeria	MasterCuts	Wyoming Community Development Committee
Godfrey-Lee Public Schools	McDonald’s	Wyoming Community Enrichment Commission
Godwin Heights Public Schools	Medicare Medicaid Assistance Program	Wyoming Community Foundation
Goodwill Industries	Meijer – Wyoming	Wyoming Community Youth Coalition
Grace Lutheran Church	Menards	Wyoming Fire Department
Grace Reformed Church	Michigan Amateur Softball Association	Wyoming Jaycees
Grand Rapids Allergy	My Personal Credit Union	Wyoming Police Department
Grand Rapids Children’s Museum	National Heritage Academies	Wyoming Public Schools
Grand Rapids First	Oxford Place Apartments	Wyoming RSVP
Grand Rapids Home Health Care	Park Center Lanes	YMCA of Greater Grand Rapids
Grand Rapids Parks & Recreation Dept	Parkwood Pharmacy	Young Champions
Grand Valley State University	Payless Shoes	
Great Lakes Medical Supply	Peak Performance Chiropractic	
Greater Wyoming Community Resource Alliance	Pines Golf Course	

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