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parks and recreation



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Administrator

Bloomington Parks and Recreation



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Our Mission

... to provide essential services, facilities and programs necessary for the positive development and well-being of the community



A Fair of the Arts
at Showers Plaza



Department Funding

- ❑ Annual budget: approximately \$8.7 million
- ❑ \$5.5 million in property taxes
- ❑ \$3.2 million from fees charged for programs/services
- ❑ Grants and other revenue can fluctuate from year to year



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Department Staffing

- ❑ 53 full-time employees
- ❑ 300 part-time or seasonal employees



Department Staffing



Board of Park Commissioners



- Department governed by a Board of Park Commissioners
 - Four-member citizen board appointed by Mayor to four-year terms
 - Les Coyne – President
 - John Carter – Vice President
 - Joe Hoffmann
 - Jane St. John



Department Organization

Department has three divisions of service:

- ❑ Operations and Development - Dave Williams, Director
 - ❑ Recreation Services - Paula McDevitt, Director
 - ❑ Sports - John Turnbull, Director
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Cascades Park

- ❑ Purchased for \$6,800 in 1923
- ❑ Today is 106 acres, not including the 248-acre golf course





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We Serve the Bloomington Community



- Annually, Bloomington Parks and Recreation facilitates more than 1 million participations throughout all our programs.

Preschool gardening





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New Playgrounds

- ❑ A new playground was constructed at RCA Community Park in 2013
- ❑ Funding provided by a Community Development Block Grant.
- ❑ Park Ridge Park will have a New playground by end of 2014.





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Operations

- Provides maintenance, construction and resource management services for all parks and facilities
- Responsible for landscaping, urban forestry, public medians and Rose Hill and White Oak Cemeteries



Tree Planting & Landscaping



- ❑ Remove only diseased or damaged trees for public safety
- ❑ Planted approximately 400 trees in public areas
- ❑ Maintained 80 separate landscape plots and beds

Spring-blooming
peonies at Rose Hill
Cemetery





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Recreation Services

- Provides programs, events and services for people of all abilities.



Kid City Summer Camp



Recreation Services

- Youth Programs
 - Kid City summer camps and the Inclusive Recreation Area
- Banneker Community Center
 - After-school program at Fairview, summer food service program, and preschool programming



Recreation Services

- Community Events
 - Farmers' Market, Community Gardening, concerts in the park, Senior Expo, Fourth of July Parade ... and more!
- Health and Wellness
 - Provides programs emphasizing healthy choices and encourages physical activity



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- C) 3
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Recreation Facts

- ❑ Banneker Community Center
- ❑ Allison-Jukebox Community Center
- ❑ Twin Lakes Recreation Center

Banneker Community Center





Recreation Facts

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Sports

- Provides formal and informal sports programs and services for all ages.

Junior Golf Camp
at Cascades Golf
Course





Sports

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True

False



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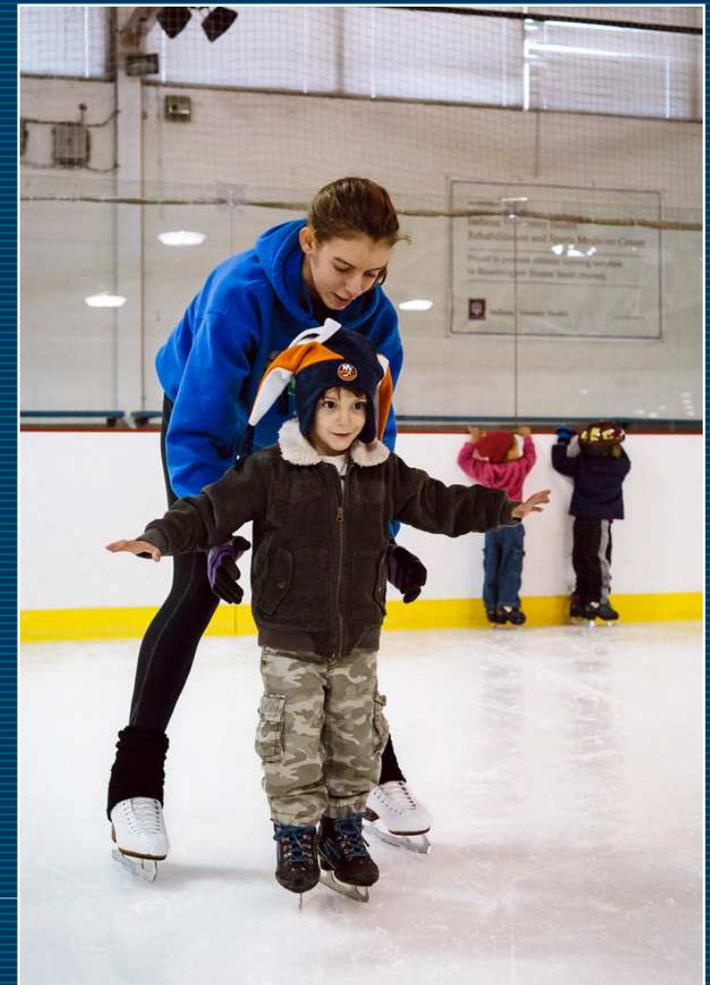


Sports

Frank Southern Ice Arena

- ❑ constructed in 1966
- ❑ renovated in 1988, 2001, 2010
- ❑ open October through March

Ice skating lessons at
Frank Southern
Ice Arena





Sports

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True

False



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There are more than 220 adult softball teams in the summer and fall softball leagues.



Sports

- ❑ Maintains outdoor sports facilities
- ❑ Coordinates softball, hockey, volleyball, golf, and basketball leagues, plus tennis, swimming and ice skating lessons
- ❑ Manages Bryan Park Pool and Mills Pool, Twin Lakes Sports Park, Winslow Sports Complex, Lower Cascades ball fields, Cascades Golf Course and Frank Southern Ice Arena

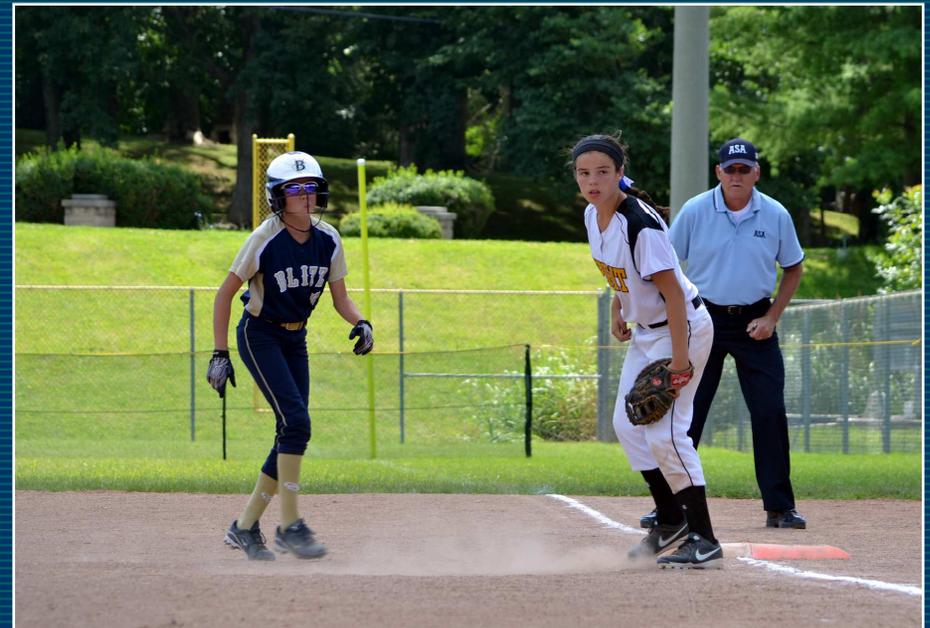
Twin Lakes Recreation Center (TLRC)



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- Twin Lakes campus generates \$3 million in economic impact each year



Twin Lakes Recreation Center (TLRC)



- ❑ Purchased for \$5.56 million in May 2009
- ❑ Offers programs that encourage healthy, active lifestyles

Twin Lakes Recreation Center (TLRC)



- ❑ Special events
- ❑ Fitness memberships
- ❑ Free programs for seniors
- ❑ Youth soccer & basketball leagues
- ❑ Group exercise classes & personal training



Recent Improvements

Cascades Golf Course – repave cart paths



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Recent Improvements

RCA Community Park – tennis court surface repair
relining for Pickleball



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Recent Improvements



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Winslow Sports Park – netting/backstop replacement for safety



new netting

old backstop

Recent Improvements

- Griffy Lake dam repair and dredging





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Recent Improvements

- B-Line Trail is heavily used & is spurring economic development





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Cascades Park Trail

- ❑ Connects Cascades Park to Ferguson Dog Park
- ❑ Phase I Opened - May 2012
- ❑ Phase II - June 2014



Cyclists on the 1.4 mile
Cascades Park Trail

The Future ... Switchyard Park Project



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Volunteer Opportunities

- More than 1,400 volunteers contribute over 10,000 hours of service to the Department.





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Park Partner Program

- Businesses reach their target markets and align their brands with quality facilities and programming





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Recognition



Bloomington Parks and Recreation achieved CAPRA accreditation in 2001 and was re-accredited in 2006 and 2011.



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Thank You

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