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The Community Services Department is comprised of 3 divisions: Administration, Community Services, and Recreation. The Department delivers services and programs to support citizen's diverse interests in parks, recreation, and culture. This includes operating and maintaining twelve (12) parks and four (4) mini-parks, two (2) aquatic centers and two (2) pools, a sports complex, and a boxing and weightlifting center. The Community Center offers 40,000 square feet of versatile meeting and event space including 12,000 square foot ballroom and meeting rooms that accommodate between 5 and 1,200 guests, and state-of-the-art visual services. Transportation provides citywide transportation programs related to fixed-route public transit, specialized elderly and disabled transit, transit support of city park programs, and regional air quality issues.

RECREATION DIVISION

RESERVATIONS

The Reservations Section continues to follow Los Angeles County Rules and Regulations to include COVID-19 information for all reservations indoor and outdoor picnic grass/shelter areas at all parks. For the month of May, there were a total of 49 reservations scheduled, thirty-one (31) indoor (activity/recreation room) and eighteen (18) outdoor (picnic grass/shelter). Over 300 calls and inquiries for park fees and availability were received. The Section provided supplies and equipment for the Cinco de Mayo Celebration, 55th Anniversary Golf Tournament, and Memorial Day Tribute held at our facilities or contracted locations.

Total Monthly Revenues: \$24,434

May Reservations & Revenues			
Park	Indoor	Outdoor	Total
Anderson Park	4	1	5
Calas Park	3	0	3
Carriage Crest Park	1	1	2
Carson Park	3	7	10
Del Amo Park	6	0	6
Dolphin Park	4	4	8
Dominguez Park	2	1	3

Foisia Park	2	1	3
Hemingway Park	0	1	1
Mills Park	1	1	2
Stevenson Park	3	1	4
Veterans Park	2	0	2
Total Reservations	31	18	49

ADULT SPORTS

Softball and baseball seasons are wrapping up, with interest already being shown for the upcoming seasons. Basketball interest is increasing with leagues finishing and starting in the month of July.

YOUTH SPORTS

On May 6, 2023, the baseball/softball/t-ball seasons commenced. There are 145 teams citywide, with 1726 participants.

Enrichment Classes

All Enrichment classes started in April for the spring session. Enrichment had their Jr. Oscars Recital on May 12, 2023, at the Carson Event Center/Community Center with 275 people attending. All classes performed a song from a Pixar movie, and Drama and Voice did a small portion of FAME Jr. as a promo for the 3-in-1 Summer Camp. All Cheer Programs will start a new 10-week program in August for the fall 2023 session. Karate I & II, Cooking with Chef T. Jackson, Portable Recreation, and the FAME Jr. 3-in-1 will be operating in the Summer.

Spring 2023

Classes	Participants	Revenue
Voice	6	\$150
Drama	13	\$365
Ballet I	14	\$580
Ballet II	11	\$418
Folklorico (4 Classes)	50	\$2,080
Karate (2 Classes)	23	\$1285
Ready, Set, Read!	12	\$360.00
Math Made Easy!	8	\$250.00
Hosanna Academy	2	Free
Eggstraveganza	160	Free
Spelling Bee	27	Free

Modern	8	\$334.00
Totals	334	\$5,822.00

Kids Club

Kids Club commenced on Monday, August 15, 2022, and provides afterschool childcare for ages 5-12 at five (5) licensed sites.

Week	Calas	Carson	Del Amo	Dolphin	Veterans
5/1-5/5	8	19	12	17	31
Revenue	\$395	\$985	\$600	\$850	\$1,560
5/8-5/12	8	19	12	15	31
Revenue	\$395	\$985	\$600	\$750	\$1,570
5/15-5/19	8	19	12	17	23
Revenue	\$395	\$985	\$600	\$850	\$1,170
5/22- 5/26	8	19	12	16	25
Revenue	\$395	\$985	\$600	\$800	\$1,265
5/29- 6/2	8	19	12	16	31
Revenue	\$395	\$985	\$600	\$800	\$1,620
Month Total	40	95	60	81	141
	\$1,975	\$4,925	\$7,200	\$4,050	\$7,185

AQUATICS

Aquatics concluded its programming for the spring and began preparations for the summer season, including opening all Aquatic facilities. Summer programming will begin on June 12, 2023. Planning for its yearly staff in-service began, with the training scheduled for June 3-4, 2023.

Staff was tasked with assisting at various City Special Events, such as Philippine Independence Day. Their responsibilities included organizing with hospitality for the entertainment/performers and the morning ecumenical service. Staff was also present at the 55th Anniversary Golf Tournament to provide first aid, if needed.

VETERANS SPORTS COMPLEX

Attendance for the month of May remains consistent with a monthly total of 2958. Youth membership remains very strong followed up by the Senior memberships and daily guest fees. In addition, the Silver Sneaker memberships remain steady with a slight increase in annual signups. The monthly revenue is \$10,474.00. Our classes and monthly attendance have been slightly impacted by our floors resurfacing project.

GroupEx Classes

Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hula Hoop Fitness 9:00am-10:00am	Adult Sports 11am-4pm	Walking Class 8:30am-9:30am	Yoga 9:30am-10:30am	Salsa (Beginner) 10am-11am	Kickboxing 7:00pm-8:00pm	Muscle Conditioning 8:30am-9:30am
Zumba 10:30am-11:30am		Zumba (Temporary Postponed) 6:00pm-7:00pm		Salsa (Intermediate) 11am-12pm		Salsa (Intermediate) 10:00am-11:00am
Adult Sports 11am-9pm				Walking Class 5:15pm-6:15pm		Friday Night Volleyball 5pm-9pm
				Dance Fitness 6pm-7pm		

Week	Membership Attendance	New Member Sign- Ups	Friday Night Volleyball	Daily Membership Fees	Daily Guest Pass	Weekly Totals
5/1/23 – 5/6/23	703	6	5	42	49	805
5/7/23 – 5/13/23	729	9	92	40	28	898
5/14/23 – 5/20/23	663	3	0	27	53	746
5/21/23 – 5/27/23	629	11	0	36	40	716
5/28/23 – 5/31/23	234	2	0	9	5	250
Monthly Totals	2958	31	97	154	175	3415

Special Events

Cinco de Mayo was celebrated on Saturday, May 6, 2023, at Carson Park, from 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM. The event kicked-off with the 55th Anniversary Cinco de Mayo 5K fundraiser. Performers included Banda Maguey, Sonora Dinamita, Mariachi Santa Monica, Carlos y Charlos, Miah Valenz, y Luis con Ritmo. Recreation's Enrichment program also performances by Alma de Oro and Cheer Teams. Other activities included a car show, kiddie area, and vendors. The event brought in a crowd of 3,000 attendees.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION**HUMAN SERVICES****Stroke Center**

Led by Mr. Nathan Caukin, and fully supported over the course of the day by Mr. Tony Zuniga, Ms. Sue Quedado, Mr. Daniel Murillo and Ms. Jacinda Flores, staff is always present for scheduling, providing

general supervision of the Stroke Center, and ensuring that all City of Carson protocols are adhered to. The Stroke Center is cleaned and sanitized after each client's appointment, and the custodial staff provides an overall cleaning at the end of the day, with "deep" cleanings provided upon request.

Dr. Penoliar provided occupational therapy on two Mondays during the month of May. OT is available by appointment only, from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM, and is scheduled by Stroke Center staff.

Much-needed equipment was purchased for the survivors to use, as well as various items that will assist the participants and employees with their day-to-day activities. Equipment Exercise appointments are available Monday through Thursday, from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Chair Exercise classes facilitated by Sue Quedado take place at 11:00 AM on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and are attracting a growing number of participants. The Chair Volleyball program, held on Wednesdays at 11:30 AM, continues to flourish as word of its return continues to spread.

On the second Thursday of each month, staff members celebrate stroke survivors' birthdays. This was implemented for the first time in May and was a huge success. To follow guidelines established by the CCC, staff are committed to working on specific details for continuing survivors' birthday celebrations.

During Stroke Awareness Month, staff hosted a light lunch catered by Choura for stroke survivors and their caregivers on Wednesday, May 31st. The purpose of this event is to celebrate THEM!

WEEK	STROKE CENTER			
	OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY	EQUIPMENT EXERCISE	CHAIR EXERCISE	CHAIR VOLLEYBALL
5/1-5/4	4	16	27	12
5/8-5/11	0	20	29	12
5/15-5/18	0	12	19	12
5/22-5/25	5	18	28	8
5/30-5/31	0	16	13	11
Totals	9	82	116	55
Sub-Total	523	521	608	128
FYTD Total	532	603	724	183

SENIOR RECREATION

Senior Recreation continues to offer Virtual Zoom fitness and dance classes run by one designated staff member. These classes are held Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 9:30 AM – 10:30 AM, with attendance ranging from 6 to 12 students per class.

Free in-person classes are provided at Carson Park and Stevenson Park inside the gymnasium:

- Zumba
- Yoga
- Hula Hoop
- Functional Fitness
- Zumba Gold
- Line Dancing
- Open Basketball
- Open fitness room with workout equipment

Foisia Park continues to provide a drop-in open fitness room with workout equipment, open basketball, and chess, with 7 – 49 participants per class.

All classes are held Monday through Friday, from 8:30 AM to 11:45 AM. Two on-site staff members are always available to admit the seniors, check in on each program, and perform a walkthrough of each class and fitness room to ensure that the facility is thoroughly swept, clean, and machines are wiped down.

At the Community Center, Needle Craft is offered every Tuesday and Friday, from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM; and a Salsa Dance class every Tuesday from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Table games are provided every Thursday, from 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM; and Senior Social Bingo Clubs on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, from 10:00 AM to 3:45 PM, in the Carson-Dominguez Room. Bingo for Fun with the Swinging 50's Club is held at Dominguez Park on Wednesdays, from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM. All programs are free for adults 50 years and above.

Weeks	SENIOR VIRTUAL CLASSES	
	FUNCTIONAL FITNESS	SALSA
5/1-5/5	5	9
5/8-5/12	5	9
5/15-5/19	6	13
5/22-5/26	5	11
5/29-5/31	6	-
TOTALS	27	42
FYTD Total	330	510

WEEK	SENIOR IN-PERSON CLASSES AT CARSON PARK							
	HULA HOOP FITNESS	LINE DANCE	ZUMBA TUES.	FUNTIONAL FITNESS	YOGA	ZUMBA TONING	ZUMBA THURS	COUNTRY LINE DANCE
5/1-5/5	9	50	58	15	25	36	41	47
5/8-5/12	9	51	55	16	24	38	47	42
5/15-5/19	13	54	48	18	32	43	37	45
5/22-5/26	13	57	52	30	35	46	53	40

5/29-5/31	HOLIDAY	56	61	CLOSED	CLOSED	-	-	-
TOTALS	44	268	274	79	116	163	178	174
FYTD Total	430	1813	1745	548	802	1323	1490	1341

WEEK	SENIOR IN-PERSON CLASSES AT STEVENSON PARK		
	YOGA	ZUMBA	FITNESS ROOM
5/1-5/5	12	31	0
5/8-5/12	10	30	7
5/15-5/19	9	35	6
5/22-5/26	15	36	6
5/29-5/31	HOLIDAY	-	-
TOTALS	46	132	19
FYTD Total	251	1181	326

WEEK	FOISIA PARK		
	BASKETBALL	FITNESS ROOM	CHESS GROUP
5/1-5/5	45	8	0
5/8-5/12	38	8	0
5/15-5/19	42	7	0
5/22-5/26	33	9	0
5/29-5/31	28	8	0
TOTALS	186	40	0
FYTD Total	1797	540	117

Week	CARSON CENTER				
	BINGO FOR FUN (TUE)	NEEDLE CRAFT (TUE)	BINGO FOR FUN (THUR)	TABLE GAMES	NEEDLE CRAFT (FRI)
5/1-5/5	56	6	29	9	6
5/8-5/12	56	7	40	11	8
5/15-5/19	53	7	40	9	5

5/22-5/26	51	9	32	12	No Class
5/29-5/31	60	9	25	-	-
TOTALS	276	38	166	41	19
FYTD Total	402	70	271	118	83

Senior Social Services

The mission of Senior Social Services is to ensure our most vulnerable homebound seniors stay home safely while meeting their essential needs. Senior Service Aide visits are running with full caseloads on a weekly and bi-weekly basis. Assistance consists of running errands, including trips to the grocery store and pharmacy, and assisting with essential chores that keep seniors home safe while maintaining their independence. Due to increased referrals, staff has added more seniors to this program and other city programs and referred other seniors to County and State programs. The Human Services Assistant Coordinator position will be filled soon, while applications for an additional Senior Services Aide are being reviewed.

The Assisted Living program staff helps other departments, including Code Enforcement, Housing, and Transportation. Senior Services Aides help seniors without transportation complete Dial-A-Ride (DAR) applications, Code Enforcement Hoarding cases, general welfare checks, adult protective service cases, and LA Homeless Portal cases as needed. Housing Rights Center walk-in clinics have resumed and occur monthly. Human Services is working closely with LAHSA's Homeless/Housing Coordinator, as affordable senior housing continues to be a huge issue. Daily inquiries regarding housing continue and are referred as appropriate.

Keeping abreast of the latest county, state, and federal programs and organizations and community partners that offer virtual programming is essential to ensuring our seniors have access to the latest programs available to them. Furthermore, staff is working closely with Bet Tzedek Legal, CSUDH OLLI, and others to schedule classes and workshops for 2023. The county's adult protective services and Carson Sheriff's Station continue to collaborate on welfare checks. New part-time staff, Elito Santarina, is available in the Elito Santarina Senior Technology Center Monday-Wednesday to make outgoing wellness-check calls and assist walk-ins seeking information and referrals.

Support groups have been ongoing this year, including Senior Share Storytellers, Bereavement, Caregiver Support Groups, and Kinship Support group. In addition, several upcoming workshops will take place including a collaboration with the SBCCOG on Senior Eco-friendly gardening, Cyber Security by the LA County DA's office, and Senior Fraud by community partner Bet Tzedek.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

Early Childhood continues to offer full-time classes Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the Carson Community Center and Carson Park. Part-time classes are offered Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. or 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the Community Center and Dolphin Park.

The approximate revenue for the month of May was \$31,345.

Week	Early Childhood Education (In-person)		
	AM	PM	FT
5/1-5/5	25	13	36
5/8-5/12	25	13	36
5/15-5/19	25	13	36
5/22-5/26	25	13	36
5/29-5/31	25	13	36
TOTALS	125	65	180
FYTD Total	1360	638	1,908

THERAPEUTIC RECREATION

The basketball and track & field participants have been working on their skills. This month, they were able to take in part in Special Olympics competitions in Chino Hills and Downey. Bocce has been going well, with the hopes that staff can form a Special Olympics team next year. Some highlights of the art program have included salt art, shrink a dink keychain, and clay making. The approximate revenue for May was \$400.

WEEK	THERAPEUTIC RECREATION				
	Art	Basketball	Track & Field	Bocce	Autism 5K
5/1-5/5	5	12	9	7	-
5/8-5/12	4	13	10	8	-
5/15-5/19	6	12	8	7	547
5/22-5/26	6	11	5	8	-
5/29-5/31	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	21	48	32	30	547
FYTD Total	47	121	69	68	547

SPECIAL INTEREST CLASSES

Fit Happens boot camp has been on hiatus due to the landscaping projects that have limited outdoor space availability; however, staff has recently determined a way to bring the program back for the summer, beginning the first week in June.

Discussions have resumed regarding the revival of the Intergenerational Program in hopes of a Fall 2023 return. Social Services Coordinator Melody Carter will be working with Dr. Jimmy Kirby and various other

staff to create new and engaging programming. Staff is currently assessing Dominguez Hills Prep's availability and interest.

YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES/PREVENTION & AFTERCARE

Families with children under 18 in the home can receive prevention and aftercare services through case navigation, resources, and referrals. They are referred by the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) or other organizations, and in some cases, they are self-referred. Case navigation involves one-on-one communication between the case navigator and the family to discuss struggles, accomplishments, and goals. Families who do not need case navigation can also be provided with additional links that include, but are not limited to, food giveaways, counseling services, tutoring services, or housing services. As a result, most case navigation is now conducted in person, depending on the client's and staff's comfort level. Social connection and Youth and Family groups, Crafty Club and Ladies Circle are ongoing. The Nurturing Father program is scheduled to start in spring 2023 once staff have been hired and had a chance to outreach and plan.

Week	New Clients	Open Cases	Closed Cases	Referrals Received	Extra Linkages
5/1-5/5	0	12	2	0	6
5/8-5/12	0	12	0	1	5
5/15-5/19	2	14	0	2	8
5/22-5/26	0	14	0	1	4
5/29-5/31	0	14	0	0	2
Month Total	2	14	2	4	25
FYTD Total	17	27	21	31	343

CARSON EVENT CENTER

RENTALS

The Carson Event Center hosted several community events in May:

- Sunday, May 7, 2023 - May Fest
- Friday, May 12, 2023 - Enrichment Jr. Oscars
- Saturday, May 13, 2023 - Carson Colt Espy Awards Banquet
- Thursday, May 18, 2023 - American Red Cross Hometown Heroes
- Tuesday, May 21, 2023 - Public Works Equipment Display
- Thursday, May 25, 2023 - Memorial Day Tribute

All of these programs were well attended, and we thank the community for coming out to show their support.

The Carson Event Center is open for rentals and the data for the month of May is as follows:

May 2023				
Event Type	May Events	May Revenue	FY Total Events	FYTD Total Revenue
External	67	\$55,147.96	583	\$504,862.95
Internal	176	\$0.00	1261	\$0.00

FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS

An ADA compliant sliding single door was recently installed to improve access from the front lobby into the Atrium. In addition, the landscaping updates between the east parking lot and Carson Street were completed by the end of May 2023.

TRANSPORTATION

The City of Carson's Transportation workgroup provides citywide transportation programs including fixed-route public bus service, first mile/last mile ride-hail services, specialized elderly and disabled transportation services, and bus transportation in support of City parks and youth programs. Transportation also works directly with LA Metro, South Bay Cities Council of Government (SBCCOG), and South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) on a variety of transportation policies, new initiatives, and funding opportunities.

LONG BEACH TRANSIT

Long Beach Transit (LBT) provides fixed-route bus services in Carson across three routes. Riders can travel down major surface streets in both directions and make faster connections to major destinations and neighboring bus lines. Service hours and route schedules can be accessed through <https://ridelbt.com/carson/>.

Long Beach Transit Ridership			
Route	Passenger Boardings	Revenue Miles*	Revenue Hours**
2	3,249	6,815	565
4	7,351	5,661	623
8	2,523	6,855	683
Apr 2023 totals	13,123	19,330 miles	1,871 hours
Mar 2023 totals	12,899	21,315 miles	2,073 hours

*Miles traveled while performing route

**Hours incurred while performing route

CARSON CIRCUIT

In conjunction with LBT, the Carson Circuit provides additional bus service in the form of two neighborhood-serving routes.

To better meet the needs of its riders, service runs during peak commuting times between 7:00 am – 9:55 am, and again from 2:00 pm – 4:55 pm. These modifications were also supported by the City's recently

completed Comprehensive Operations Analysis, or route study. The service is currently being advertised through the City's social media pages, flyers, and more.

Ridership is expected to increase as more riders learn about the program and its routes. Additional flyers and social media posts will help to promote awareness across the community.

	Carson Circuit Ridership					
	Cash Fare (\$1)	Wheelchair (free)	Seniors (free)	TAP	Transfers	Total Boardings
Apr 2023 – AM	2	-	149	2	9	153
Apr 2023 - PM	15	-	160	11	6	186
Apr 2023 totals	17	-	309	13	15	339
Mar 2023 totals	25	-	332	14	5	371

DIAL-A-RIDE Through the end of the declared pandemic, Dial-A-Ride service has been made available to Carson residents of all ages, with or without disabilities. Participants can order on-demand taxi service and receive a 50% discount off their ride. Carson residents can take advantage of complimentary no-cost taxi rides to and from any City-designated vaccination site falling within three (3) miles of City boundaries. Taxi drivers will stay with the riders throughout the entire process, ensuring both a safe and worry-free return.

Dial-A-Ride Ridership				
Month & Year	Total Rides	Total Passengers	Avg Trips per Day	Avg Cost per Trip
Apr 2023	1,514 rides	1,979 passengers	50 trips per day	\$12.60 per trip
Apr 2022 comparison	1,423 rides	1,792 passengers	47 trips per day	\$12.38 per trip
FY 23 YTD	13,896 rides	17,765 passengers	46 trips per day	\$12.81 per trip

LYFT

Carson residents are eligible to receive a 50% discount off the cost of their Lyft ride. Riders pay half and the City pays half, up to a maximum trip cost of \$20. Participants must 18 years of age or older to ride alone. Rides must start AND end within City boundaries.

Lyft Ridership			
Month & Year	Total Rides	Avg total cost per trip	Avg trip cost to rider
Apr 2023	758 rides	\$9.51	\$4.74
Apr 2022 comparison	616 rides	\$11.25	\$5.60
FY 23 YTD	7,207 rides	\$10.59	\$5.27
April 2020* – present	19,590 rides	\$10.29	\$4.83

*Start of City partnership with Lyft.

Majority of rides took 7-8 minutes in duration, 2-3 miles in distance. Average trip costs are rising due to:

(1) Increased ride times from traffic returning to pre-pandemic levels and (2) Nationwide shortage of drivers/gig workers.

FUTURE PLANS

To enhance LBT and Carson Circuit service, a capital improvement project was completed this month to upgrade the City's bus stops with new shelters, benches, and trash receptacles. The furniture will mirror the newer units along Carson St. and by CSUDH.

Additionally, staff is awaiting delivery of two battery-electric buses (BEB) as a pilot. EV buses emit zero greenhouse gasses, providing a cleaner environment for both riders and residents. Although upfront purchase costs are higher than traditional internal combustion engine (ICE) examples, annual operating costs for EVs are expected to be significantly less than their ICE counterparts.