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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) miniparks, 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.

SPECIAL EVENTS

On March 24, 2023, from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM, the annual Tribute to Cesar Chavez was held at the Carson Event Center. The special guest speaker for the evening was Cesar Chavez's granddaughter, Natalie Fragoso. The 200 attendees were treated with to performances by MEXIKA Music, Cultural Arts Entertainment and Alma de Oro, as well as free hot chocolate and Mexican sweet bread.

RECREATION DIVISION

RESERVATIONS

The Reservations Section continues to follow Los Angeles County Rules and Regulations to include COVID-19 information for all reservations for indoor and outdoor picnic grass/shelter areas at all parks. For the month of March, there were a total of 39 reservations scheduled: 31 indoor (activity/recreation room) and 8 outdoor (picnic grass/shelter). Over 300 calls and inquiries were received for park fees and availability. The City of Carson hosted its annual Cesar Chavez Day event at the Community Center, and various mini events - award banquets and clinics for youth sports program - were held at the parks.

Total Revenue: \$16,653.

PARK	INDOOR	OUTDOOR	TOTAL
Anderson Park	4	0	4
Calas Park	0	0	0
Carriage Crest Park	2	2	4
Carson Park	5	3	8
Del Amo Park	4	1	5
Dolphin Park	4	1	5
Dominguez Park	3	0	3
Foisia Park	1	1	2
Hemingway Park	0	0	0
Mills Park	0	0	0

Stevenson Park	5	0	5
Veterans Park	3	0	3
TOTAL RESERVATIONS	31	8	39

ADULT SPORTS

Teams have resumed play after games were postponed due to rain. The public has shown significant interest in basketball, baseball, and volleyball. Registration is now open for spring adult leagues. The 55th Anniversary Golf tournament is currently accepting registration, with many teams already signed up. Staff is anticipating a great event.

YOUTH SPORTS

The basketball season concluded on March 18, 2023. Youth Sports crowned its 2023 Basketball Champions:

Girls 1A – Carson Sparks

Girls 2A – Carson Herricanes Boys 2A – Dolphin Dreamers

Girls 3A – Stevenson Lady Trojans Boys 3A – Carson G-Unit

Boys 1A – AndersonMamba Mentality Boys 4A – Stevenson Spartans

On March 25, 2023, Youth Sports hosted the SCMAF Championship Basketball Tournaments for both the Boys Open 'B' Division and the Girls Open 'A' Division. Other Cities that participated in the tournament were Norco, South El Monte, El Segundo, Pasadena, Glendora, Azusa and Claremont. The Stevenson Park Girls 3A Lady Trojans won first place in their division.

Baseball, Softball and T-Ball signups have concluded, and the final registration numbers will be submitted next month.

Enrichment Classes

All Enrichment classes commenced in January for the Winter session. Below is the number of participants and revenue collected for the Winter 2022/23 Session.

Winter 2022/23

Classes	Participants	Revenue
Piano 1 and 2	9	\$585.00
Guitar	10	\$480.00
Voice	13	\$485.00
Drama	15	\$445.00
Folklorico	64	\$2642.00
Modern Dance	14	\$582.00
Ballet 1&2	29	\$1074.00

Contemporary	9	\$362.00
Karate	17	\$955.00
Calas Cheer	16	\$608.00
Totals	196	\$8,218.00

Upcoming classes to be added for the Spring Session are the following:

- Math Made Easy!
- Ready, Set, Read!

Hosanna Academy Explore Black History

Karate had a testing presentation on March 9, 2023, wherein each participant was tested for belt color. Ballet I, II and Contemporary Dance had a recital on March 11, 2023, at Carson Park. Guitar, Piano I & II had a recital on March 16, 2023, and Drama and Voice had its recital on March 25, 2023, both at Hemingway Park. The Folklorico and Modern classes performed at the Cesar Chavez Tribute event on March 24, 2023. Enrichment hosted a free Eggstraveganza event at Perry Street Mini Park on April 6, 2023. On April 14 2023, a Spelling was held at Foisia Park. Sunny Soltani, Carson City Attorney, will be presenting a two-day free Debate Workshop on April 22 and 23, 2023, at the Community Center.

Spring 2023

Classes	Participants	Revenue
Voice	5	\$125.00
Drama	11	\$315.00
Ballet I	14	\$580.00
Ballet II	9	\$342.00
Contemporary	2	\$86.00
Karate	4	\$230.00
Ready, Set, Read!	9	\$270.00
Math Made Easy!	8	\$250.00
Hosanna Academy	3	Free
Eggstraveganza	39	Free
Spelling Bee	25	Free
Totals	129	\$2198.00

Summer Session will include the 3-in-1 Summer Camp and Portable Rec.

Kids Club

Kids Club commenced on Monday, August 15, 2022, and provides afterschool childcare for ages 5-12 at five (5) licensed sites. From March 21, 2023, through March 23, 2023, LAUSD went on a three-day strike. To assist Carson parents, Kids Club was offered for free from 8:30 AM to 5:30 PM. Regular Kids Club families received a credit during those days.

Week	Calas	Carson	Del Amo	Dolphin	Veterans	TOTAL
3/6-3/10	9	18	11	16	32	86
Revenue	\$445	\$935	\$550	\$800	\$1,595	\$4,325
3/13-3/17	9	19	12	16	31	87
Revenue	\$445	\$985	\$600	\$800	\$1,540	\$4,370
3/20-3/24 Strike Week Revenue	3 \$150	26 \$520	35 \$550	13 \$650	20 \$950	97 \$2,820
3/27-3/31	9	19	11	11	31	81
Revenue	\$445	\$985	\$550	\$550	\$1,540	\$4,425
Month Total	30	82	69	56	114	351
	\$1,485	\$3,425	\$2,250	\$2,800	\$5,625	\$15.940

AQUATICS

Aquatics opened its Spring 2023 programming at Carson Pool. Services included swimming lessons, aqua aerobics, lap swim, and swim conditioning. Carson Pool is open Monday through Thursday during various hours, and Saturday from 7:30 am – 3:30 pm. Recreational swimming is also offered on Saturdays from 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm.

At the start of the month, Foisia Pool, Dominguez Aquatic Center, and Hemingway Aquatic Center completed its renovations with California Waters. Each pool was resurfaced and re-plastered to keep up with its programming demands. Carson Senior High returned to practice at Foisia Pool, and Rancho Dominguez Preparatory School started practicing at Dominguez Aquatic Center.

Aquatics also held a lifeguarding class on March 4 and 5, 2023. Each session was eight (8) hours long, with in-water training and an on-land practical. The class consisted of nine (9) students who all passed and are now applying to become future City of Carson lifeguards. With the recent wage increase, interest in becoming a lifeguard or swim instructor has grown. Given this, Aquatics will be hosting another lifeguard class, as well as a Swim Instructor class in April.

VETERANS SPORTSCOMPLEX

The attendance for March remained consistent with a monthly total of 3,634 visits. The 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 was \$16,677.

The GroupEx class lineup remains the same with the following schedule:

- Yoga, Tuesday, 9:30 AM 10:30 AM
- Zumba, Monday, 6:00 PM 7:00 PM
- Muscle Conditioning, Friday, 8:30 AM 9:30 AM
- Introduction to Youth Conditioning, Tuesday, 1st session 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM; 2nd session 5:30 PM – 6:15 PM
- Introduction to Youth Conditioning, Thursday, 1st session 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM; 2nd session 5:30 PM – 6:15 PM

- Hula Hoop Fitness, Saturday, 9:00 AM 10:00 AM
- Salsa (Beginners), Wednesday, 10:00
 AM 11:00 AM
- Salsa (Intermediate), Wednesday, 11:00
 AM 12:00 PM
- Salsa, Friday, 10:00 AM 11:00 AM

Reservation/Permit continues to be a bright spot in our operations with numerous inquiries and several confirmed reservations for the upcoming months.

On Friday evenings, the Complex has open volleyball in the main gym from 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM. On average, over 60 people participate.

WEEK	MEMBERS	NEW MEMBER SIGN-UPS	Friday Night Volleyball	DAILY MEMBERSHIP FEES	GUEST PASS	WEEKLY TOTALS
3/1/23 - 3/4/23	345	5	49	9	16	424
3/5/23 - 3/11/23	603	22	49	54	23	751
3/12/23 - 3/18/23	626	14	57	30	29	756
3/19/23 - 3/25/23	651	16	86	35	33	821
3/26/23 - 3/31/23	625	8	77	49	123	783
Monthly Totals	2850	55	318	177	224	3634

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

HUMAN SERVICES

Stroke Center

Led by Nathan Caukin, and fully supported by Tony Zuniga, Sue Quedado, and Jacinda Flores, with additional assistance by Daniel Murillo, staff is always available for scheduling, providing general supervision of the Stroke Center, and ensuring that all City of Carson protocols are adhered to by staff and patrons alike. Masks are still mandatory for staff and are "highly recommended" for members. The Stroke Center is cleaned and sanitized after each patient/member appointment, and at the end of each day, the custodial staff completes a deeper, more thorough cleaning.

Dr. Penoliar provides Occupational Therapy once a week on Mondays, with an occasional additional day(s), during the week when he is available. Stroke Center staff are available Monday through Thursday, from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM, to schedule an OT appointment. However, the program is currently not accepting new clients to ensure that current participants receive the proper amount of therapy.

Equipment Exercise appointments are available Monday through Thursday, from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. Staff continues to follow the recommended guidelines for safety, considering space, distancing, and availability, while allowing increased service and equipment usage that permit consistent movement, exercise, and socialization opportunities for stroke survivors.

Chair Exercise classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11:00 AM, and facilitated by Sue Quedado. Participation data show consistent involvement due to collaborative scheduling with OT.

Chair Volleyball is thriving, and the number of participants grows weekly as word of its return continues to spread.

WEEK	STROKE CENTER						
WEEK	OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY	EQUIPMENT EXERCISE	CHAIR EXERCISE	CHAIR VOLLEYBALL			
3/1-3/2	0	4	10	4			
3/6-3/9	5	12	13	0			
3/13-3/16	6	15	20	10			
3/20-3/23	5	13	13	14			
3/27-3/30	17	14	10	9			
Totals	33	58	66	37			
Sub-Total	460	399	460	28			
FYTD Total	493	457	526	65			

SENIOR RECREATION

Senior Recreation continues to provide virtual fitness and dance classes. These classes are held Tuesday through Thursday, from 9:30 AM – 10:30 AM, with attendance ranging from 8 to 12 students per class.

Senior Recreation continues to offer in-person classes in the gymnasiums at Carson Park and Stevenson Park. Programming is comprised of an open fitness room with workout equipment, open basketball, and the following classes:

- Zumba
- Yoga
- Hula Hoop

- Functional Fitness
- Zumba Gold
- Line Dancing

All classes are held Monday through Friday, from 8:30 AM to 11:45 AM, with attendance ranging from 7 to 49 participants per class. Two (2) on-site staff members are always available to check participants in, rotate rounds of checking 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.

Foisia Park also continues to provide drop-in open fitness with workout equipment, open basketball, and chess. The program operates Monday through Friday, from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Table games are offered every Thursday from 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM, and Bingo for Fun is held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM in the Carson-Dominguez Room at the Carson Event Center. All programs are free.

	SENIOR VIRTUAL CLASSES			
Weeks	FUNCTIONAL SALS			
3/1-3/3	-	11		

3/6-3/10	9	12
3/13-3/17	8	13
3/20-3/24	9	12
3/27-3/31	No Class	No Class
TOTALS	26	48
FYTD Total	273	428

		SENIOR IN-PERSON CLASSES AT CARSON PARK						
WEEK	HULA HOOP FITNESS	LINE DANCE	ZUMBA TUES.	FUNTIONAL FITNESS	YOGA	ZUMBA TONING	ZUMBA THURS	COUNTRY LINE DANCE
3/1-3/3	-	-	-	No Class	No Class	Closed	Closed	48
3/6-3/10	19	61	51	Closed	Closed	45	49	40
3/13-3/17	18	50	49	13	25	48	48	44
3/20-3/24	12	45	29	19	30	44	48	50
3/27-3/31	No Class	58	63	No Class	No Class	45	48	Closed
TOTALS	49	214	192	32	55	182	193	182
FYTD Total	314	1305	1253	391	589	968	1107	1054

WEEK	SENIOR IN-PERSON CLASSES AT STEVENSON PARK				
WEEK	YOGA	ZUMBA	FITNESS ROOM		
3/1-3/3	-	38	6		
3/6-3/10	6-3/10 6 25		5		
3/13-3/17	5	37	11		
3/20-3/24	6 40		8		
3/17-3/31	No Class	Closed	3		
TOTALS	17	140	33		
FYTD Total	130	915	291		

WEEK	WEEK		FOISIA PARK	
	BASKETBALL	FITNESS ROOM	CHESS GROUP	

TOTALS	180	48	0
3/27-3/31	18	11	0
3/20-3/24	39	8	0
3/13-3/17	38	9	0
3/6-10	40	8	0
3/1-3/3	45	12	0

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Week	FUN (TUE) (TUE) 3/1-3/3 3/6-3/10 35 5	NEEDLE CRAFT (TUE)	BINGO FOR FUN (THUR)	TABLE GAMES	NEEDLE CRAFT (FRI)
3/1-3/3	1	-	40	No Class	No Class
3/6-3/10	35	5	37	9	7
3/13-3/17	33	6	34	11	9
3/20-3/24	25	11	36	8	12
3/27-3/31	33	10	33	9	CLOSED
TOTALS	126	32	180	37	28
FYTD Total	126	32	180	37	28

Senior Social Services

Senior Social Services attempts to ensure that the City's most vulnerable homebound seniors stay home safely while meeting their essential needs. Senior Service Aide visits are operating with full caseloads on a weekly and bi-weekly basis. Assistance consists of running errands - including trips to the grocery store and pharmacy - and aiding 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 others to County and State programs. Applications are in the review process to hire an additional Senior Services Aide, and recruitment is in process for a Senior Services Assistant Coordinator.

Assisted Living Program staff supports other Departments, including Code Enforcement, Housing, and Transportation. The Coordinator and Senior Services Aides visit seniors without transportation to complete Dial-A-Ride (DAR) applications, Code Enforcement hoarding cases, general welfare checks, Adult Protective Service, and LA Homeless Portal cases, as necessary. Housing Rights Center Walk-in clinics have resumed and are occur monthly. Lastly, Human Services is working closely with the Homeless/Housing Coordinator, as affordable housing continues to be a huge issue.

Keeping abreast of new county, state, and federal programs, as well as organizations and community partners that offer virtual programming, has been 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 the Carson Sheriff's Station continue to collaborate on welfare checks. New part-time staff is available in the Elito Santarina Senior Technology Center, Monday through Wednesday, to make outgoing wellness check calls and assist walk-ins seeking information and referrals.

In-person groups continued this year, including Senior Share Storytellers, Bereavement, Caregiver Support Groups, and the newly added Kinship Support group. Due to the increased number of participants, all registration will be processed through ActiveNet.

Human Services played an essential role in the planning of the Earth Day event, which was held on April 15, 2023, at Dolphin Park, and the Self Care Health Fair on April 29, 2023, at the Community Center.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

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

Approximate revenue for December: \$31,345

Week	Early Childhood Education (In-person)			
Week	АМ	PM	FT	
3/1-3/3	25	13	36	
3/6-10/10	25	13	36	
3/13-3/17	25	13	36	
3/20-3/24	25	13	36	
3/27 – 3/31	25	13	36	
TOTALS	125	65	180	
FYTD Total	1135	586	1,620	

THERAPEUTIC RECREATION

Basketball, Track & Field, and Bocce have commenced. For each program, the maximum number of registrants was achieved. Participants learn the fundamentals, and staff takes assessments on their skill levels to track their progress throughout the season. The estimated revenue for March was \$300.00.

	THERAPEUTIC RECREATION				
WEEK	Skill Builders	Basketball	Track & Field	Bocce	
3/1-3/3	No class	No class	No class	No class	
3/6-10/10	9	No class	No class	No class	
3/13-3/17	8	No class	No class	No class	
3/20-3/24	9	12 No class		No class	
3/27 – 3/31	No class	13	8	7	

TOTALS	26	25	8	7
FYTD Total	50	25	8	7

SPECIAL INTEREST CLASSES

Fit Happens boot camp is still on hiatus due to inclement weather and landscaping projects that have limited outdoor space availability. Staff is working to find an alternate location to resume class as quickly as possible.

Registration via ActiveNet for the Start Smart T-ball program is well ahead of schedule. March 13, 2023, was the registration opening date; however, due to capacity limitations, it closed on March 16, 2023. The program is scheduled to commence in April 2023 at Calas Park.

The Start Smart basketball season ended on March 30, 2023. Despite larger class sizes and their being filled to capacity, both Jacinda and Tony provided exceptional coaching and supervision for the classes.

Daniel Murillo has been more present in the Stroke Center, assisting staff with coverage, supervision, and participation. As a result, members have become more at ease with him, which has allowed him to take a more active role in the program. Daniel has also been included in City lights/lighting training and has overseen the set-up and lighting of a few recent City events. He has proven to be an asset to throughout the Division.

Ms. Lucy Garcia has provided exemplary service at the East Wing reception desk from Monday through Thursday, 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM. Staff continues to work together to relieve Ms. Garcia, when needed. Her consistent presence at the front desk has allowed for complete coverage during the work week, and been a welcoming addition.

YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES/PREVENTION & AFTERCARE

Prevention and Aftercare services consist of case navigation, resources, and referrals to families with children under the age of 18 in the home. These families are referred by the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS), other organizations, or can be self-referred. Case navigation consists of one-on-one communication between the case navigator and the family on a weekly basis to discuss struggles, accomplishments, and goals. Extra linkages can be provided to families who do not need case navigation. These linkages may include, but are not limited to, food giveaways, counseling services, tutoring, or housing services. Most case navigation has returned to in-person sessions, depending on client and staff comfort levels. Social Connection, Youth and Family groups, Crafty Club, and Ladies Circle are ongoing. The Nurturing Fathers Program is scheduled to commence in Spring 2023 once staff has been hired, plan the program, and conduct outreach.

Week	New Clients	Open Cases	Closed Cases	Referrals Received	Extra Linkages
3/1-3/2	0	16	0	2	4
3/6-3/9	0	14	2	0	5
3/13-3/16	0	14	0	1	7
3/20-3/23	0	12	2	1	6
3/27-3/30	0	12	0	0	9
Month Total	0	12	4	4	31

FYTD Total	17	23	17	25	295

Carson Essentials to Go 2.0 was recently transferred to Youth and Family Services and revamped. The program resumed on September 6, 2022, with food deliveries to seniors and low-income families on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The program provides groceries, provided by Norms, to 20 residents per week (10 per day) for a total of 80 residents per month. However, a few more deliveries were added to accommodate more participants. The total deliveries per month is now 85. Residents will receive groceries once a month for four months. In January, the program started a final group of 115 residents, and will operate through the end of April when funds will be exhausted and the program will end.

WEEK	CETG 2.0	CETG 2.0 WAIT LIST
3/1-3/2	17	50
3/6-3/9	29	50
3/13-3/16	26	50
3/20-3/23	30	50
3/27-3/30	15	50
TOTALS	117	50
FYTD Total	334	50

CARSON EVENT CENTER

RENTALS

The Carson Event Center had the pleasure of hosting a few large community events in March. On March 11, 2023, it hosted the Carson High School 60th Anniversary Diamond Jubilee, as well as the South Bay Cities Council of Governments Conference on March 23, 2023. The Tribute to Cesar Chavez program took place on March 24, 2023, and the month ended on a high note with a very successful and informative State of the City Address on March 30, 2023.

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

March 2023						
Event Type	March Events	March Revenue	FY Total Events	FYTD Total Revenue		
External	40	\$39,884.04	461	\$402,743.10		
Internal	142	\$0.00	970	\$0.00		

FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS

The torrential rains put a damper on the progress of the landscaping project; however, by the end of the month, the West Wing restrooms were almost complete, and the Carson-Dominguez restrooms were a few weeks away from completion. Both restroom renovations should be completed and fully operational by the end of April.

TRANSPORTATION

The City of Carson's Transportation Workgroup provides City-wide 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 four routes. Passengers 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	3,202	6,657	546			
4	6,949	5,508	602			
8	2,151	6,765	663			
January 2023 totals	12,302	18,930 miles	1,810 hours			
December 2022 totals	11,974	19,201 miles	1,856 hours			

^{*}Miles traveled while performing route

CARSON CIRCUIT

In conjunction with LBT, the Carson Circuit provides additional bus service in the form of two (2) routes. To better meet the needs of its riders, the program operates 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 has continued to gradually increase as more passengers learn about the program and its routes. Additional flyers and social media posts will raise awareness across the community.

Month & Year			Carson Circui	it Ridership		
wonth & fear	Cash Fare (\$1)	Wheelchair (free)	Seniors (free)	TAP	Transfers	Total Boardings 164 216
Feb 2023 – AM	12	-	151	1	17	164
Feb 2023 - PM	22	-	188	6	-	216

^{**}Hours incurred while performing route

Feb 2023 totals	34	-	339	7	17	380
Jan 2022 totals	21	-	319	5	20	345

DIAL-A-RIDE

COVID-19 UPDATE: 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 a safe and worry-free return.

Dial-A-Ride Ridership							
Month & Year	Total Rides	Total Passengers	Avg Trips per Day	Avg Cost per Trip			
Feb 2023	1,294	1,626	46	\$13.18			
Feb 2022 comparison	1,365	1,733	49	\$12.83			
FY 23 YTD	10,889	13,906	45	\$12.85			

LYFT

Carson residents are eligible to receive a 50% discount off the cost of their Lyft ride. Riders pay half and the City pays the balance, 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				
Feb 2023	698 rides	\$10.55	\$5.22				
Feb 2022 comparison	604 rides	\$11.00	\$5.41				
FY 23 YTD	5,612 rides	\$10.80	\$5.39				
April 2020* – present	17,995 rides	\$10.33	\$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 the new LBT and Carson Circuit service, staff is nearing the completion of a capital improvement project 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. Staff is hoping to complete this project by the end of May to beautify all stops throughout the city.

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