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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 citizens' 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. And Transportation provides citywide transportation programs related to improving the fixed-route public transit system, 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 55 reservations scheduled. Currently, the reservations department reserved 33 indoor (Activity/Recreation Room) and 22 outdoor (picnic grass/shelter) reservations for the month of May. We had over 300 calls and inquiry for park fees and availability.

Total Revenue for May: \$15,254.60

PARK	INDOOR	OUTDOOR	TOTAL
Anderson Park		2	2
Calas Park	2		2
Carriage Crest Park	1	3	4
Carson Park	10	7	17
Del Amo Park			
Dolphin Park	5	1	6
Dominguez Park	1	1	2
Foisia Park	2	1	3
Hemingway Park	3	1	4
Mills Park	1	1	2
Stevenson Park	2	4	6
Veterans Park	6	1	7
TOTAL RESERVATIONS	33	22	51

ADULT SPORTS

The Spring Season has begun. Pickleball continues to be popular at Hemingway Park on Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays.

*Note: Revenue is not indicative of weekly/monthly totals; the amount reported represents what was collected at the beginning of the season.

Spring Season

SPORT	TEAMS	LEAGUES	RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT	*REVENUE
Coed Softball	17	3	122	37	\$7,310
Men Softball	4	1	27	17	\$1,710
Baseball (Feb-June)	18	3	141	94	\$8,580
Total	39	7	290	148	\$17,600

YOUTH SPORTS

Youth Baseball and Softball started this Season with opening day moved to May 14th. The date was moved to allow parks to receive their uniforms on time, since vendors have had delays with inventory. On May 21st there was an isolated shooting that was gang related at Foisia Park that resulted in games being canceled that day. All games and practices at all parks were canceled the following week starting on Wednesday, May 25th through the holiday weekend due to the aftermath of the school shooting that took place in Uvalde, Texas. A few parents impacted by the shooting at Foisia Park and school shooting at Uvalde, Texas addressed concerns to management and council and a Community meeting was held on Saturday, May 28th at the Veterans SportsComplex. At the meeting, the department was instructed to reschedule games out of Foisia for the Hemingway Rockies team and provide all families counseling services. Staff arranged for counselors to provide services to families on Tuesday, May 31st. Calls were made out to the Hemingway Park Rockies, Carson Park Program Time, Foisia Park Lil Phillies, and Foisia Park Carson Dirtbags. Revenue report will be provided in the next monthly report.

YOUTH SPORTS BASKETBALL TEAMS 2022

PARK	SL	RK	B1A	B2A	B3A	B4A	G1A	G2A	G3A	TEAMS	PARTICIPANTS
Anderson	13									1	13
Calas	54	42	13	15	15		14	27		13	180
Carriage Crest	64	57	13	13	14		14	11	13	18	199
Carson	66	67	46	39	12		25	26	12	22	293
Del Amo	17	24	26	13						6	80
Dolphin	14	24			13		13		13	7	77
Dominguez	45	47	33	27	14		15	12	13	18	206
Foisia	35	39	21	24	10			22		14	151
Hemingway	21	21	11		13			14		6	80
Mills		16								1	16
Stevenson	21	27	14	12				14	15	8	103
Veterans	60	60	35	36	10			22		21	223
TOTAL	410	424	212	179	101		81	148	66	135	1,621

The Recreation division is still working with the City Attorney and the Los Angeles Unified School District on a Joint Use Agreement (JUA). Within the next month or so, we hope that both sides can agree on the terms so that the contract can be brought forward to the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts commission then onto City Council for approval.

ENRICHMENT CLASSES

Enrichment classes started the week of April 18th.

*Please note that revenue is acquired in the beginning of the season.

WEEK	DRAMA	PIANO	REVENUE
5/2 – 5/6	6	13	
5/9 – 5/13	6	13	
5/16 – 5/20	6	13	
5/23 – 5/27	6	13	
5/31 – 6/3	6	13	
Month Total	30	65	\$1,091
FYTD Total	60	122	\$1,952

KIDS CLUB

Hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 2:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.

WEEK	CALAS	CARSON	DEL AMO	DOLPHIN	VETERANS	TOTALS
5/2 – 5/6	14	18	14	14	28	88
5/9 – 5/13	14	17	14	10	28	83
5/16 – 5/20	14	17	14	11	26	82
5/23 – 5/27	14	14	14	12	26	80
5/31 – 6-3	14	14	14	12	26	80
Month Total	70	80	70	59	134	413
FYTD Total	578	807	486	668	963	2,926

WEEK	CALAS	CARSON	DEL AMO	DOLPHIN	VETERANS	TOTALS
5/2 – 5/6	\$690	\$930	\$690	\$690	\$1,405	\$4,405
5/9 – 5/13	\$690	\$880	\$690	\$495	\$1,405	\$4,160
5/16 – 5/20	\$690	\$880	\$690	\$490	\$1,305	\$4,055
5/23 – 5/27	\$690	\$730	\$690	\$590	\$1,305	\$4,005
5/31 – 6/3	\$690	\$730	\$690	\$590	\$1,305	\$4,005
Month Total	\$3,450	\$4,150	\$3,450	\$2,855	\$6,725	\$20,630

AQUATICS

Aquatics Programming is currently taking place at three (3) locations. Foisia Pool, Dominguez Aquatic Center, and Hemingway Aquatic Center. Foisia Programming includes: Lap Swim and Swim Conditioning. Dominguez Aquatic Center programming include Recreational Swim. Hemingway Aquatic Center programming include: Aqua Aerobics, Aqua Zumba, Lap Swim, and Swim lessons. Carson Pool is currently closed due to maintenance and the reopening is TBD. Please note the Spring programming ended on May 12th. The following are programs details:

FOISIA POOL

WEEK	*SWIM CONDITIONING	LAP SWIM
5/1 – 5/7	14	0
5/8 – 5/11	14	0
Month Total	*14	0
Total Cost	\$ 2,240	0

*same group

DOMINGUEZ AQUATIC CENTER

WEEK	RECREATION SWIM
5/1 – 5/7	17
Monthly Total	17
Total Cost	\$17

HEMINGWAY AQUATIC CENTER

WEEK	AQUA AEROBICS	AQUA ZUMBA	LAP SWIM	SWIM LESSONS 17 & below	SWIM LESSONS 18 & above
5/1 – 5/7	31	16	3	*56	*4
5/8 – 5/12	20	13	2		
Monthly Total	51	29	5	56	4
Total Cost	\$216	\$116	\$30	\$2,352	\$168

*2-week programming

The pools are utilized by two local high school swim teams and Cal State University, Dominguez Hills. Carson High School Swim practices Monday – Friday. for two (2) hours each day at Foisia Pool. They have approximately 30 swimmers. Rancho Dominguez Preparatory School Swim, practice Monday – Friday for two (2) hours each day at Dominguez Aquatic Center. They have approximately 20 swimmers. Cal State University, Dominguez Hills hold their swim courses Mondays and Wednesdays for two (2) hours each day at Hemingway Aquatic center. They have approximately 30 students.

Cal State University, Dominguez Hills concluded on May 9th. High school practices concluded on May 11th. Swimming Lessons, Aqua Aerobics, Aqua Zumba and Lap Swim concluded programming on May 12th.

Staff is continuing to assist with the Essentials to Go deliveries on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Staff also assisted with special events as First Aid for Cinco de Mayo Event and the 5k at Carson Park and the Faith Family and Friends event at Stevenson Park. Jonathan Nery assisted with the Memorial Day Tribute at Veterans Park as a committee member, planning and executing the event.

VETERANS SPORTS COMPLEX

The attendance for the month of May remains consistent with a monthly total of 2,518. The Youth membership remains strong followed up by the Senior memberships. In addition, the Silver Sneaker memberships remain steady with a slight increase in annual signups.

The GroupEx class lineup remains the same with the following schedule: Yoga, Tuesday 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.; Zumba, Tuesday 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., Muscle Conditioning, Friday 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m., Hula Hoop Fitness, Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m., Salsa, Friday 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

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

Starting the last week of May, the SportsComplex Main Gym will once again serve as the location for an early voting and day of election voting. In addition, the facility is allowing the Human Services Senior Basketball program, with about 50 participants, use the Small Gym from late May to early June.

The SportsComplex hosted the 2022 Memorial Day event on Thursday, May 26, 2022 and was well attended with over 100 people. The event honored the fallen military heroes who made the ultimate sacrifice in serving and defending our country. The City Council and the Veterans Affairs Commission showed gratitude and respect to these heroes with a Memorial Roll Call, Wreath-Laying, and a solemn playing of "Taps." Patriotic speeches, entertainment, poem reading, and post-event refreshments were also part of the night's lineup. City staff members Nick Reyes (Veterans Park), Letty Arguera (SportsComplex), and Jonathan Nery (Aquatics) did an excellent job planning, coordinating, and implementing the event.

The monthly revenue is \$4,764.40.

WEEK	MEMBERS	NEW MEMBER SIGN-UPS	GUEST PASS	WEEKLY TOTALS
5/1 – 5/7	528	14	46	588
5/8 – 5/14	570	7	45	622
5/15 – 5/21	577	3	55	635
5/22 – 5/28	545	5	34	584
5/29 – 5/31	85	3	3	91
Month Totals	2305	32	183	2520

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

On February 1, 2022, the City of Carson submitted two (2) Land Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) applications. The two (2) applications for matching grants are for Carriage Crest Park for \$5,900,000 and Foisia Park for \$4,250,000. The applications are now being reviewed by State of California-Office of Grants and Local Services (OGALS). On Monday, April 25, 2022, the City of Carson met with a representative of the State of California to do a site visit for Foisia Park for the LWCF application submitted. Announcement of awards will occur sometime in June 2022.

The on-call architect contract was finalized, and an updated concept plan and cost estimate was created for Carriage Crest Park that includes two (2) artificial turf soccer fields. Additional concept plans are currently being created for the Community Center along with some potential future CIP concept plans for the parks that include picnic shelters and playgrounds.

In addition, a Request For Proposal (RFP) is currently being drafted with Public Works' help for architect services for 100% construction documents and bid document prep services for Mills Park, Foisia Park, and Carriage Crest Park. Staff hopes to advertise on Planet Bids in June and go to City Council for approval in July 2022.

Public Works presented to City Council on May 17, 2022 a draft of the Five-Year Plan (2023-2027) for Capital Improvement Program (CIP) project. The CIP will guide the City in the planning and scheduling of infrastructure improvement projects over the next five (5) years, from Fiscal Year 2022-2023 through Fiscal Year 2026-2027. For Fiscal Year 2022-2023, there are plans to spend up to \$17,780,775 for 18 Park CIP

projects and \$6,140,000 for the Buildings CIP projects to include the Community Center and Park buildings.

SPECIAL EVENTS

CINCO DE MAYO

The highly anticipated return of the in-person Cinco de Mayo celebration took place at Carson Park on Sunday, May 1, 2022 from 11:00 am – 4:00 pm. Leading up to the event at 10:30 a.m. was the Cinco de Mayo 5k Fun Run/Walk, which had 135 participants, many of whom dressed for the occasion in festive costumes. The event had several food and craft vendors, inflatables and carnival games, a beer garden, 75 classic cars and custom bicycles on display, and performances from local cheer groups and headline acts including La Sonora Dinamita, Corazon de Mana, and Mariachi Santa Monica. The attendance throughout the day exceeded the totals from the last in-person event (2019) and we are looking to carry this excitement forward to next year's event scheduled for May 6, 2023.

FAITH, FRIENDS & FAMILY FESTIVAL

The first annual Faith, Family, and Friends Festival took place at Stevenson Park on Saturday, May 14th from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. The event included music, food, local vendors, and a kiddie area. The event was enjoyed by 128 attendees in the VIP area and approximately another 500 throughout the day. There was collaboration with CSUDH for the use of the parking lot to shuttle attendees and the PRAXIS program who donated a community art banner and offered free arts and crafts at the event. Staff anticipates that this will be a growing event in the future.

YOUTH CONFERENCE

The Youth Conference was held on Saturday, May 21st at the Carson Community Center from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Staff renamed the event to Teen Summit with the theme of "Building on Our Teens". The goal of the event was to empower and inspire the youth with special guest speaker, Bryn Drescher, and workshops that included anti-bullying, team building, and money management for the first half of the event. The second part of the event included lunch and recreational activities for the youth to enjoy. Unfortunately, the event was poorly attended and a debrief with staff was conducted to discuss areas of improvement. Another teen event will be scheduled later in the year to provide an event for the youth.

MEMORIAL DAY

The Veterans SportsComplex hosted the 2022 Memorial Day event on Thursday, May 26, 2022 and was well attended with over 100 people. The event honored the fallen military heroes who made the ultimate sacrifice in serving and defending our country. The City Council and the Veterans Affairs Commission showed gratitude and respect to these heroes with a Memorial Roll Call, Wreath-Laying, and a solemn playing of "Taps." Patriotic speeches, entertainment, poem reading, and post-event refreshments were also part of the night's lineup.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

Date & Time: Saturday, June 4, 2022 / 7:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Location: Veterans Park

JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION

Date & Time: Saturday, June 18, 2022 / 11:00 a.m.– 6:00 p.m.

Location: Mills Park

SAMOAN HERITAGE DAY

Date & Time: Saturday, June 25, 2022 / 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Foisia Park

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

HUMAN SERVICES

STROKE CENTER

The Stroke Center is open Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., by appointment only. Occupational Therapy is available twice a week, every Wednesday and Thursday. Dr. Penoliar treats five (5) patients a day for a total of 10 patients a week. We are also keeping a waiting list as interest in the Center and our OT services grow.

Mondays and Tuesdays are open by appointment only for Equipment Exercise usage, as scheduled by Stroke Center staff, considering space, distancing, and availability, which allows for more consistent movement, exercise, and socialization opportunities for our stroke survivors. The Chair Exercise class on Thursdays at 11:00 a.m., facilitated by Sue Quedado, grows week to week. Staff is looking to integrate more classes into the non-therapy days based on member interest and safety. They are eager to re-open the facility fully yet safely while working in the most effective way to make it happen.

The Stroke Center Open House luncheon held on May 26, 2022, was a huge success, with a 100% Stroke survivor turnout rate! Along with a full-catered lunch, the survivors were celebrated and introduced to the new staff/team, who provided information from various local medical facilities and professionals. Madam Mayor, the City Manager, Assistant City Manager, and upper management personnel attended the event, in addition to Community Center, Human Services, and Transportation staff, all in full support of the Center and its members. The team is looking forward to working with the professionals from the various medical facilities who were introduced during the Open House event. They are all interested in and excited about contributing to its growth and success.

The Stroke Center staff, led by Mr. Nathan Caukin and fully supported by Mr. Tony Zuniga, are always on hand for scheduling and to provide assistance and general supervision of the Stroke Center. During each patient’s appointment, they are also present to ensure that all Covid-19 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 a deeper, more thorough cleaning is completed at the end of each day by custodial staff.

STROKE CENTER

WEEK	OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY	EQUIPMENT EXERCISE	CHAIR EXERCISE
5/2 – 5/5	10	14	8
5/9 – 5/12	10	13	9
5/16 – 5/19	10	12	15
5/23 – 5/26	10	10	CANCELED
5/31	3		
Month Total	43	49	32
FYTD Total	83	155	68

SENIOR RECREATION

Senior Recreation continues to administer Virtual Zoom fitness and dance classes run by two designated staff members. These classes are held Tuesday through Thursday from 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m., with a fluctuation of attendance ranging from 5 to 12 students per class.

Senior Recreation continues to offer in-person classes at Carson Park and Stevenson Park inside the gymnasium, including Zumba, Yoga, Hula Hoop, Functional Fitness, Zumba Gold, Line Dancing, open

Basketball, and an open fitness room with workout equipment. All classes are held Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., with a fluctuation of attendance ranging from 5 to 61 participants per class. Two on-site staff members are always available to check participants in, perform temperature checks, ensure all participants wear masks correctly, and that the facility is cleaned and sanitized.

Foisia Park continues to provide a drop-in open fitness room with workout equipment and open basketball for senior participants. The program is run Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. with two staff members available to check participants in, perform temperature checks, ensure participants wear their masks appropriately and the facility is cleaned and sanitized.

SENIOR VIRTUAL CLASSES

WEEK	FUNCTIONAL FITNESS	SALSA	YOGA
5/2 – 5/6	7	CANX	8
5/9 – 5/13	8	6	12
5/16 – 5/20	CANX	5	10
5/23 – 5/27	6	5	CANX
5/30 – 5/31	9		
Month Total	30	16	30
FYTD Total	791	416	941

SENIOR IN-PERSON CLASSES AT CARSON PARK

WEEK	HULA HOOP FITNESS	LINE DANCE	ZUMBA TUESDAY	FUNCTIONAL FITNESS	YOGA	ZUMBA TONING	ZUMBA THURSDAY	COUNTRY LINE DANCE
5/2 – 5/6								30
5/9 – 5/13	11	49	59	23	24	42	57	33
5/16 – 5/20	16	48	39	23	24	45	50	34
5/23 – 5/27	15	44	61	25	32	40	57	37
5/30 – 5/31	Closed	44	54					
Month Total	42	185	213	71	80	127	164	134
FYTD Total	644	787	2573	290	1096	721	2668	523

SENIOR IN-PERSON CLASSES AT STEVENSON PARK

WEEK	YOGA	ZUMBA	FITNESS ROOM
5/2 – 5/6		38	4
5/9 – 5/13	7	35	3
5/16 – 5/20	5	38	4
5/23 – 5/27	3	33	3
5/30 – 5/31	Closed		
Month Total	15	144	14
FYTD Total	469	2405	82

FOISIA PARK

WEEK	BASKETBALL	FITNESS ROOM
5/2 – 5/6	28	16
5/9 – 5/13	40	14
5/16 – 5/20	36	13
5/23 – 5/27	38	14
5/30 – 5/31	39	11
Month Total	181	68
FYTD Total	2805	778

SENIOR SOCIAL SERVICES

Senior Social Services continues to do everything possible to ensure our most vulnerable population of homebound seniors can stay at home safely while having their essential needs met. Contactless visits resumed throughout May with Geriatric Aides providing lunches to seniors throughout the week and running errands, including trips to the grocery store and pharmacy, and assisting with essential chores that keep seniors home safe while maintaining their independence. With increased referrals, seniors continue to be added to our list of contactless visits for this type of assistance, referring those interested to County and State programs.

The Assisted Living program helps other departments, including Code Enforcement, Housing, and Transportation. With the assistance of the Geriatric Aides, the coordinator visits seniors who have no means of transportation to help complete Dial-A-Ride applications (DAR), Carson Essentials 2.0 verification, Code Enforcement Hoarding cases, general welfare checks, adult Protective Service, and LA Homeless Portal cases as necessary.

Keeping abreast of resources developed through the county, state, and federal programs has been essential in providing our seniors with the latest programs they may be eligible for, along with organizations and community partners that continue to offer virtual programming. In addition, welfare checks continue in collaboration with the county's adult protective services and the Carson Sheriff's station. Finally, calls regarding homelessness and housing continue to increase, and the Homeless Task Force has resumed meetings via Zoom.

Minimal in-person groups continue, including Senior Share Storytellers, Bereavement, and Caregiver Support Groups. Due to the increased number of participants, staff will soon add additional times. Programming will continue, including the requested educational courses on Aging, Fraud, and Financial Planning. Staff has also received more requests for training and information on trauma related to recent shootings.

The Mental Health Resource Forum was held virtually on May 7th, including panelists and a welcoming session from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; ActiveNet worked as our registration tool. Pre-recorded sessions went live on the morning of the event with the help of IT, giving participants time to view before the 11:00 a.m. start time. Participants were able to submit their questions before and during the panel. A resource guide was made available in addition to yoga and breathing sessions. The live event went exceptionally well with a very engaging panel and participants.

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 is \$31,345.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

WEEK	In-Person		In-Person
	AM	PM	FT
5/2 – 5/6	25	13	36
5/9 – 5/13	25	13	36
5/16 – 5/20	25	13	36
5/23 – 5/27	25	13	36
5/30 – 5/31	25	13	36
Month Total	125	65	180
FYTD Total	941	597	1932

THERAPEUTIC RECREATION

Virtual Social Club, Arts, and Skill Builders all came to an end in May. Highlights this month included a sand art project and a virtual game night. Skill Builders Occupational Therapy held its commencement ceremony, and all the participants received a certificate of completion. The approximate revenue for the month of May was \$200.

THERAPEUTIC RECREATION

WEEK	SOCIAL CLUB	ARTS & CRAFTS	SKILL BUILDERS OT
5/2 – 5/6	5	No class	5
5/9 – 5/13	4	2	No class
5/16 – 5/20	4	2	No class
5/23 – 5/27	5	5	No class
5/30 – 5/31	No class	No class	No class
Month Total	18	9	5
FYTD Total	95	73	49

SPECIAL INTEREST CLASSES

The Start Smart T-ball program is filled to capacity. Classes began on Monday, April 18, 2022, and will run four (4) days a week, Monday – Thursday, from 5:15 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. at Calas Park for the next eight weeks.

Classes were suspended the week of May 23, 2022, in accordance with safety procedures put in place following the unfortunate incident at Foisia Park the previous weekend. Staff will remain alert and follow all safety protocols to ensure the safety and well-being of our staff and sports participants.

Fit Happens remains live, with consistent attendance. We are hoping to be allowed to continue the program past June 2022. All new signups, and the purchase of class punch cards, occur through ActiveNet.

Senior Recreation staff worked to fully staff the East Wing Reception Desk in anticipation of returning to in-person Senior Recreation classes, which will generate more foot traffic and require consistent and constant customer service at the CJMM Community Center.

In addition, staff will be working with Early Childhood to reimplement our Early Start Education program for the 2022 fall season and is currently researching staff, location, and participant interests.

YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES/PREVENTION AND AFTERCARE

WEEK	NEW CLIENTS	OPEN CASES	CLOSED CASES	REFERRALS RECEIVED	EXTRA LINKAGES
5/2-5/5	0	10	0	3	3
5/9-5/12	0	10	0	0	6
5/16-5/19	1	11	0	0	8
5/23-5/26	1	12	0	0	6
5/30-5/31	0	12	0	0	4
Month Total	2	10	0	3	27
FYTD Total	38	N/A	34	134	450

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), as well as 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 moved back to in-person, depending on client and staff comfort levels. Social connection and Youth and Family groups that include but are not limited to Zumba, Yoga, Crafty Club, Ladies circle, and Nurturing Father's program are scheduled to start in July of 2022. In addition, youth-specific programs are being created and will be coming soon.

COVID TASK FORCE

The COVID Task Force was initially created to assist the community with emergency programs and resources needed for the COVID-19 pandemic. However, the needs of the community had evolved from assisting and feeding many residents, to providing COVID testing, supporting homebound seniors, collaborating with outside organizations, and providing vaccinations.

Staff's biggest challenge was creating innovative ways to deliver these services to an elderly population with little technical knowledge. To solve this issue, staff created call centers to answer questions from the community, provide welfare checks to homebound seniors, and distribute flyers of all current programs, including our daily Grab-N-Go lunch program that will be ending on June 30, 2022.

WEEK	CALL CTR	GRAB & GO MEALS	TEST SITE CALL CTR	TEST SITE TEST GIVEN	TEST SITE HOME VISITS	CETG 2.0
5/2 – 5/5	0	1500	0	0	0	0
5/9 – 5/12	0	1500	0	0	0	40
5/16 – 5/19	0	1500	0	0	0	28
5/23 – 5/26	0	1500	0	0	0	5
5/31	0	300	0	0	0	0
Month Totals	0	6300	0	0	0	73
FYTD Total	17,217	275,630	9,685	45,334	113	2,525

Discontinued Programs - Carson Essentials to Go: 1,656; Food Distribution: 300; Meals on Wheels: 11,146

As a result of the Federal Government's decision to cease issuing reimbursements, the City has discontinued the process of mandatory COVID testing.

COMMUNITY CENTER**RENTALS**

The City of Carson Disaster Council decided to align with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health and declared that attendee face masks are recommended, but no longer required, to enter the facility. All city staff are still required to wear face masks and we continue to temperature scan all incoming guests.

The Community Center is open for rentals. Data for the month of May is as follows:

WEEK	INTERNAL	EXTERNAL	REVENUE	FY 21-22 Revenue YTD	FY 21-22 External YTD
5/1 – 5/7	26	15	\$ 4,601.35	\$68,289.10	120
5/8 – 5/14	28	17	\$ 8,021.25	\$67,536.50	93
5/15 – 5/21	29	12	\$6,927.40	\$80,365.80	96
5/22 – 5/31	35	30	\$12,648.90	\$95,884.43	131
Monthly Total	118	74	\$32,198.90	\$312,075.83	440

FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS

The Audio-Visual (AV) upgrades continue in Community Hall ABC. New control panels, wiring and cameras have been installed but we are waiting for the arrival and installation of the new screens and projectors to complete the main hall upgrades. The Carson-Dominguez ballroom AV upgrades will begin once the new projectors and screens arrive.

Renovations of the 2nd floor, Atrium and East Wing restrooms continue. The restrooms are being upgraded to resemble the restrooms in our main halls, with an anticipated completion in July of 2022. Once these renovations are complete, the three (3) remaining restrooms will also begin upgrades.

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. 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 schedule can be accessed through <https://ridelbt.com/carson/>.

Staff anticipates ridership to gradually grow as riders continue to hear about the new service.

LONG BEACH TRANSIT RIDERSHIP

Route	Passenger Boardings	Revenue Miles*	Revenue Hours**
2	3,004	7,188	599
4	6,216	5,896	666
8	1,906	7,180	692
April 2022 totals	11,126	20,264 miles	1,957 hours
March 2022 totals	11,210	21,462 miles	2,069 hours

*Miles traveled while performing route
 **Hours incurred while performing route

CARSON CIRCUIT

In conjunction with LBT, the Carson Circuit was reestablished effective January 3, 2022 as a staff-operated service in the form of two (2) new routes. The new service was designed to run concurrently with LBT as a supplemental neighborhood-serving option.

To better meet the needs of its riders, service 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 launch of this new service is currently being advertised through the City’s social media pages, flyers, and more.

Similarly, to LBT, staff anticipates ridership to gradually 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)	Transfers	Total Trips
April 2022 - AM	25	-	63	4	92
April 2022 - PM	94	-	103	36	233
April 2022 totals	119		166	40	325
March 2022 totals	112	-	138	44	294

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. As of March 2021, 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.

Compared to same-month ridership in 2021, April ridership was down by about 13.5%. Much like the surge of the Delta variant in late 2020, ongoing Omicron variants appear to be making a slight impact on ridership in 2022.

DIAL-A-RIDE RIDERSHIP⁽¹⁾

	Total Rides	Total Passengers	Avg Trips per Day	Avg Cost per Trip
April 2022	1,345	1,830	43	\$13.72
April 2021 comparison	1,527	2,105	49	\$12.37
FY 2022 YTD	12,627	16,053	46	\$12.52

LYFT

Carson residents are eligible to receive a 50% discount off the cost of their Lyft ride. Riders pay half, 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^[1]

	Total Rides	Avg total cost per trip	Avg trip cost to rider
April 2022	646	\$10.63	\$5.25
April 2021 comparison	461	\$ 8.97	\$4.48
FY 21-22 YTD	5,484	\$11.35	\$5.69
April 2020* - present	10,633	\$10.02	\$4.58

*Start of City partnership with Lyft.

Majority of rides took 7-8 minutes in duration, 7.6 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.

Compared to same-month ridership last year, ridership in April 2022 has increased by over 40%. Additionally, staff is pleased to report that over 10,000 City-subsidized Lyft rides have now been provided since the program’s inception in 2020.

FUTURE PLANS

To enhance the new LBT and Carson Circuit service, staff is working on a capital improvement project to upgrade its bus stops with new shelters, benches, and trash receptacles. The furniture will mirror the newer units along Carson Street and by CSUDH. Staff is hoping to complete this project by the end of FY 23 to beautify all stops throughout the city.

Additionally, staff is finalizing the acquisition of two electric vehicle (EV) minibuses as a pilot. 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.

[1] Data received directly from contractor; statistics delayed due to internal review by contractor before release