

Department of Parks & Recreation

○ Projects

- Splash pad: A ribbon cutting event will take place Friday, May 20 at 3:30 PM located at the Gahanna Swimming Pool splash pad.
- Parking lots: The Woodside Green parking lot and Trapp Park trail have been approved by engineering. The Woodside Green parking lot will be on agenda to be approved by Planning Commission before a formal bid process commences. The Department is seeking quotes for the Trapp Park project.
- Academy Park Mountain Bike Trail: The Department is seeking a proposal from a design firm to design a mountain bike trail at Academy Park.
- Playgrounds – The ages 2-5 play structures have been installed at Headley Park and Woodside Green Park. The path connecting the Headley playground to the parking lot will be replaced with a new, ADA accessible path.
- Headley Park Drainage - A drainage project at Headley Park began in early May to help reduce the pooling that occurs on the soccer fields.
- Parks and Recreation Master Plan: Focus groups, staff interviews, facility evaluations and staff interviews have taken place as part of the first phase of data and information gathering. A survey will be mailed to Gahanna residents, as well as made available on the city's website in early summer to provide an additional avenue for public input.
- Pickleball Courts – In partnership with the Gahanna Parks and Recreation Foundation, the tennis courts at Friendship Park are being transformed to dedicated pickleball courts.

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- The Department hosted Gahanna's Eggs-hilarating Egg Hunt on Saturday April 2 from 11am-2pm at Hannah Park. The event sold out with 650 tickets in various age group and time block reservations. Over 14,000 eggs were collected along with photo opportunities with the Easter Bunny, crafts to take home, and food trucks on site.
- 419 Pool Memberships have been sold to 1210 individuals as of 4/30/22.
- Registration for our Summer Day Camps are open. Below are the current registration numbers as of 4/30/22:
 - Camp Hannah (ages 6 – 12) – 5 of 9 weeks are sold out with 60 registrants, the remaining weeks have 14 or less spaces available
 - Camp Friendship (ages 6 – 12) – 4 of 8 weeks are sold out with 30 registrants, the remaining weeks have 4 or less spaces available
 - Camp spaces are restricted due to low camp staff numbers.
 - Little Adventurers Camp (ages 4 – 6) – 2 of 6 weeks are sold out with 12 registrants, the remaining weeks have 3 or less spaces available
 - The Teen Program offerings (Level Up! & Girls of Destiny) are currently low on numbers and could be cancelled within the next several weeks. Additional marketing has been requested.
- We are still holding interviews for our seasonal positions. While some of our positions at the Pro Shop and Aquatic Team have been filled – our Camp Staff & Event/Boat

Crew are still very low on applicants. Open interviews are scheduled on Wednesdays at City Hall, 3:00 – 5:00 PM until 5/18.

- We are excited to announce the promotion of Annette Rundio as the Recreation Supervisor for Senior, Adult, & Volunteer Programming. The division still has 3 vacant positions: Recreation Coordinator II (Special Events), Recreation Coordinator II (Senior & Adult Programming), and PT Recreation Coordinator I (Senior Center).
- Parks, Facilities & Golf
 - Conducted weekly park maintenance trash/bathrooms/cleaning
 - Conducted weekly mowing and string trimming
 - Conducted routine building inspections
 - Prepared athletic fields for the spring season
 - Bathroom renovations are taking place at McCorkle Park, Woodside Green Park and the Gahanna Swimming Pool
 - The pool startup has begun at the Gahanna Swimming Pool as well as Hunter's Ridge to be operational by mid-May for seasonal staff training
 - Golf course opening occurred while managing the multiple flood events
 - Responded to 10 resident concerns or questions
- Arbor/Horticulture
 - Trees planted: 39
 - Trees removed: 14
 - Trees resident/contractor calls: 32
 - Trees resident/contractor meetings: 3
 - Trees zoning application reviews: 17
 - Hazard tree inspections: 1
 - Storm/emergency clean-up/removal: 1
 - Stumps ground: 71