



Parks and Recreation Foundation of Tamarac

The mission of the Parks and Recreation Foundation of Tamarac is to enhance Tamarac Parks and Recreation facilities and programs through partnership and fundraising support.

The Parks and Recreation Foundation of Tamarac, is a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation.

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Sponsorship Opportunities

Parks and Recreation in Tamarac

AT A GLANCE

- 10 parks city-side
- 153 acres of open space land
- Aquatic center, (2) community centers, fitness center and a multi-purpose center
- Offers programming to all ages in athletics, arts & culture, education, wellness, camps, and Learn to Swim programs
- Offers more than 20 annual special events including educational, fitness/nutrition, cultural, artistic, musical and family functions
- (1) of only 102 CAPRA accredited agencies nationwide showing excellence in operations and services
- Has more than 200,000 visits to our parks and recreation facilities annually
- Serves more than 60,000 residents with diverse ethnicities across all economic backgrounds
- Offers numerous opportunities for branding and marketing programs to corporate sponsors



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Project and Program Goals

P.A.R.O.T. Needs Your Help!

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Everybody Plays! Program Scholarship Fund

The City of Tamarac wants everyone who wishes to participate in one of their programs to be able to regardless of cost. Between the three (3) schools in Tamarac, approximately 70% of the students are on a free or reduced lunch, meaning the family has a financial challenge. Programs provide individuals with needed social, physical and psychological wellness benefits.

Playground Equipment

The City of Tamarac has been designated a Playful City, USA, meaning they recognize the importance of unstructured play to health and well-being of our children. The rising numbers of children suffering from obesity, ADHD and depression are alarming! The City needs to continue to offer safe and engaging places to play for all children. To keep play spaces engaging for all, equipment needs to remain up to date, as well as, adding equipment for children with special needs.

Shade Structures

More than 2 million people are diagnosed with skin cancer each year. About 90% of skin cancers are associated with exposure to the sun. The City of Tamarac currently has shade structures over all of its playgrounds. The goal is to cover spectator seating for its outdoor athletic facilities.

Special Events

The City of Tamarac conducts more than 20 special events for all ages and families each year. These events range in attendance from 350 people for the Veterans Day Ceremony to 8,000 people at the annual 4th of July Celebration. As the attendance of these events increases, so does the cost of the event. Support is needed to continue and enhance these worthwhile events.



Top Reasons to Support Parks & Recreation

Inspiring People of all ages to connect with nature

1. **Public parks provide millions of Americans with the opportunity to be physically active.** Physical activity is an essential part of an individual's efforts to stay healthy, fight obesity and prevent chronic conditions that lead to coronary disease, high blood pressure and diabetes.
2. **Parks provide green space in a fast-developing American landscape, and provide vegetative buffers to construction and development, thus reducing the effects of sprawl.** keep our living environment healthy.
3. **Parks and recreation facilitate social interactions that are critical to maintaining community cohesion and pride.** Parks provide a meeting place where community members can develop social ties, and where healthy behavior is modeled and admired.
4. **Leisure activities in parks improve moods, reduce stress and enhance a sense of wellness. In an increasingly complex world, more and more people are placing high value on achieving the feelings of relaxation and peacefulness that contact with nature, recreation and exposure to natural open spaces bring.**
5. **Recreational programs provide organized, structured, enjoyable activities for all ages. The diverse range of recreational programs offered by public park and recreation agencies offers all Americans the opportunity to develop the skills necessary to successfully and confidently engage in sports, dance, crafts and other social activities.** Quality recreational programs facilitate safety, good sportsmanship and community participation.
6. **Community recreation services provide a refuge for at-risk youth. Many parents are rightfully concerned with the dangers of unstructured "hanging out" or unsupervised after-school activities.** Community recreation programs at public park and recreation facilities provide children with a safe refuge and a place to play, which are important in reducing at-risk behavior.
7. **Therapeutic recreation is an outlet that individuals with disabilities have to be physically active, socially engaged and cognitively stimulated.** A goal of all public recreation agencies is to provide access to all people.

