



**FY2021**

# ANNUAL REPORT

# SUMMARY

The 2020-2021 fiscal year was certainly challenging, as the Park District temporarily shut down mid-March due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We anticipated, prepared, adjusted and embraced changes along the way while keeping steadfast to our mission – providing opportunities that enrich the mind, body and spirit. There was a new level of innovation necessary as the importance of parks and recreation became evident during the pandemic. A virtual recreation campaign was launched on social media during the stay-at-home order bringing ideas, activities and story times to our community. As new guidelines were in place, staff and patrons safely returned to our facilities and programs and events were held when they were greatly needed by the community. Innovation continued into the fall and moving forward, we will pivot when necessary and bring creative and new programs to meet the needs of our community.

# AWARDS

Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

Park District Risk Management Agency (PDRMA) Accreditation Award in recognition of its Loss Control Program Review – Excellence Level A

# PARKS & FACILITIES

Completed FitnessNOW renovation and Recreation Center remodel.

Plexiglass shields installed at the Registration and FitnessNOW desks.

Completed drywall repairs, painting and installation of hallway benches and new speakers in Community Building lower level.

New Mission, Goals & Values acrylic wall display installed in Recreation Center lower level.

New solid surface window sills installed in Recreation Center Multipurpose Room.

## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: OUR VISION:

Barb Thornbury | President  
Tina Coons | Treasurer  
Colin A. Wilkie | Assistant Treasurer  
Denise DiCianni | Commissioner

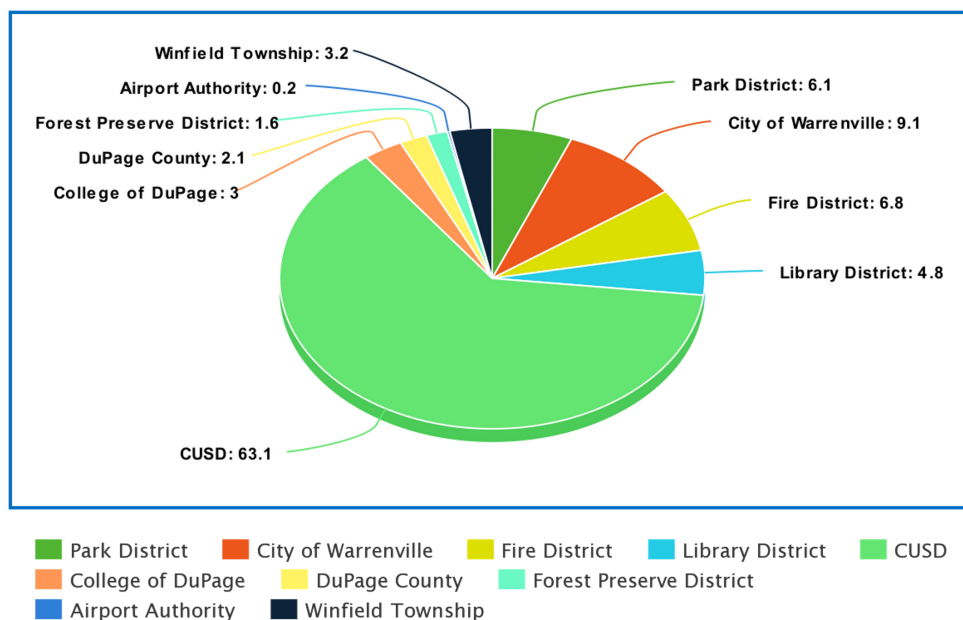
We strive to be an innovative park district that is recognized by our community as a provider of exceptional parks and recreation services.

# FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

In a typical fiscal year, the total annual budget is approximately \$4 million dollars of which approximately 65% is funded by property tax revenue. The remaining 35% is generated through program user fees, grants and rentals. Since the COVID-19 pandemic, district program fees were impacted by approximately \$480,000 due to lost revenue, refunds and credits. To offset the financial impacts, the District:

- Furloughed over 40 part-time staff in spring, many of whom were brought back as programming and operations expanded
- No merit pool salary increases
- Delayed replacement of FT Parks Department vacancy
- No gatherings – conferences, events, holiday party, staff outings
- Performed custodial function in-house for over three months
- Recovered 100% camp & active adult trip deposits
- Summer Camp eliminated trips, bussing, t-shirts, reduced supplies
- Transferred Summer Daze contracts to the 2021 event
- Received donated ballfield mix from Winfield Park District

The graph below shows how your tax bill is allocated amongst the various taxing district in Warrenville. The Park District represents 6.1% of the total tax levy.



## MANAGEMENT TEAM:

Tim Reinbold, CPRP | Executive Director  
Penny Thrawl | Executive Asst. / HR Mgr.  
Matt Odom, CPRP | Supt. of Recreation / Safety Coord.  
Gregg Ireland, CPRP, CPSI | Supt. of Parks & Facilities  
Linda Straka | Supt. of Finance & Technology  
Michelle Savage, CPRP | Registration / Admin. Svc. Mgr.

## OUR MISSION:

Providing opportunities that  
enrich the mind, body and spirit.



# SPECIAL EVENTS & PROGRAMS

We welcomed summer with our **Summertime Stroll** parade through town.

**Summer Camp** kept children busy during the summer months with 1,583 daily registrations.

87 runners and walkers took the streets to complete the **Virtual Firecracker 5K**.

The **Lunchtime Live** series of 3 concerts entertained 90 families/365 in attendance.

The 3 **Movies in the Parks** provided a needed night out for 144 families/715 in attendance.

**Summer Softball League** had 5 Men's and 4 Co-Ed teams compete.

The new **Wiffleball Home Run Derby** had 11 participants swinging for the fences.

The rescheduled **Brew Trot** had 96 participants running/walking to their reward at the finish line.

**Art on the Prairie** featured 20 local artists for a weekend of art and music for the community.

**Youth Fall Soccer** had 113 participants take the field for practices and scrimmages.

**Youth Fall Dance** welcomed 42 dancers to the dance floor.



## ENGAGEMENT STATISTICS



**2,700+**  
Facebook  
Followers



**780+**  
Twitter  
Followers



**1,100+**  
Instagram  
Followers



**75,000+**  
Website  
Visitors



**7,100+**  
Email  
Subscribers



# SPECIAL EVENTS & PROGRAMS, CONT'D

**Fall Softball League** had 7 Men's teams compete.

The traditional Fall Fest was modified to a **Fall Fest Boo-To-You Parade / I Spy Ghost Hunt**. 167 people completed the ghost hunt and the parade was a welcome celebration for the community.

Our traditional Holly Days event was modified to a **Holly Days Drive-Thru**. We had an unexpected and amazing turnout with an estimated 1,000 cars visit the event.

Our new **Boredom Buster Bags** offered at-home activities for kids with 309 participants.

**Spring Soccer** had a record 155 participants.

**It's a Zoo** replaced the Father/Daughter and Mother/Son Dances with 60 participants.

The **Flashlight Egg Hunt** took place with 10 different time slots and 215 participants.

**You've Been Egged! Basket Deliveries** replaced the Bunny Breakfast with 30 home delivered Easter surprises.

The **Winter Spring Dance Show** took place in the WCB Gym with 3 mini-shows and 46 dancers.



## SUPPORTING LOCAL:

The Warrenville Park District facilitated Community Blood Drives in partnership with Versiti in September, December and April. 55 total pints of blood were collected.

Staff collected donations in December for Toys for Tots.

Staff created Valentine's Day cards and sent them to local seniors.