

# FY24 ANNUAL REPORT



## **SUMMARY**

The Warrenville Park District's FY24 Annual Report provides highlights of the District's accomplishments, finances, activities, events, and projects undertaken during FY24. It also provides updates on upcoming projects in FY25.

Questions or feedback concerning any of the information provided in this report may be directed to Executive Director Tim Reinbold at timr@warrenvilleparks.org.

#### MISSION

To create community

#### VISION

The "place to be" for exceptional experiences

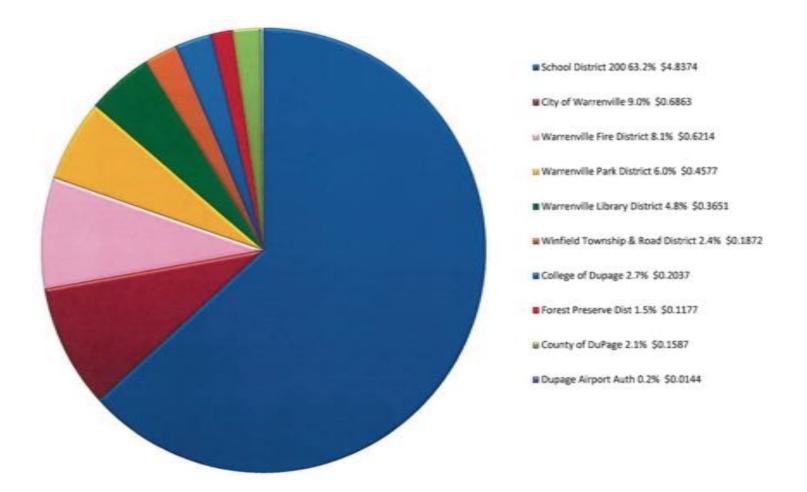
#### VALUES

Innovation, Sustainability, Inclusion, and Exceptional Service

## Financial Analysis

The Warrenville Park District's total FY24 annual budget is approximately \$4 million dollars of which approximately 77% is funded by property tax revenue. The remaining 23% is generated through program user fees, grants and rentals.

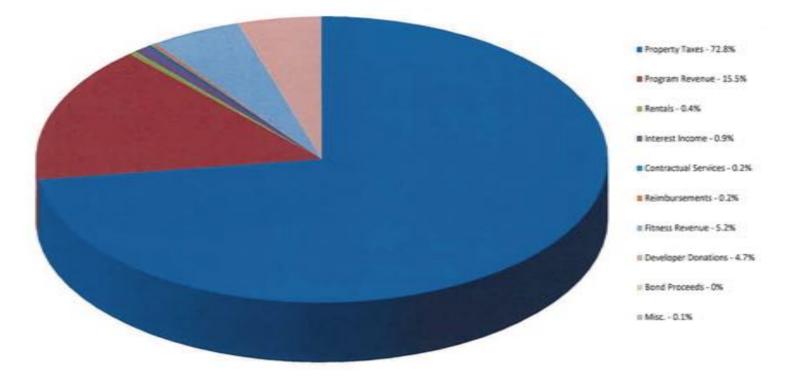
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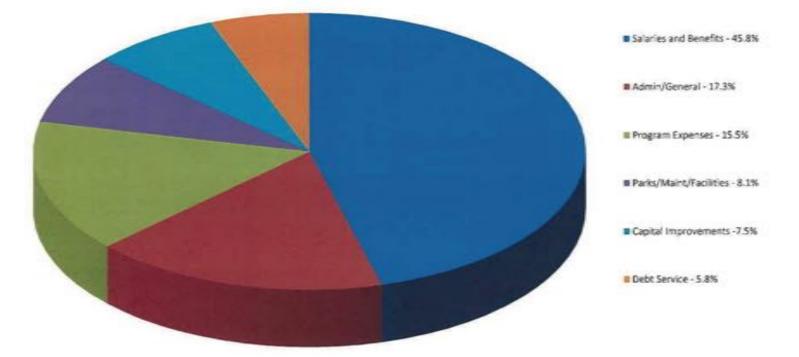
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## Financial Analysis, Cont'd

#### FY24 Revenue Summary



#### FY24 Expenditure Summary



### Mission: To Create Community

Solar Eclipse at the Park was held with a great turnout from the **community** 

Completed **community** input meetings for the Cerny Park OSLAD Grant and Lions Park Playground Replacement Options

Collected a truckload of donations for Toys for Tots program for children in the **community** 

Held 4 **Community** Blood Drives in partnership with Versiti with a total of 33 donations, saving up to 99 lives

Participated in the following **community** events: Warrenville Fire Department Open House, City of Warrenville 3rd of July Parade, Johnson Elementary School Trunk or Treat, City of Warrenville Arbor Day Celebration, City of Warrenville Employee Wellness Fair, 4th of July Children's Bike Parade, City of Warrenville Bike Rodeo, Warrenville Public Library Ofrenda Display Table, and City of Warrenville National Night Out

Picnic in the Park was held in July to celebrate Unplug Illinois day with the **community** and offering various ways to enjoy the great outdoors

#### **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:**

Barb Thornbury | President Denise DiCianni | Vice President Tina Coons | Treasurer Colin Wilkie | Assistant Treasurer Mike Machowski | Commissioner



## Vision: The "Place to Be" for Exceptional Experiences

100% of survey respondents rated the Future Stars Gymnastics program as **Excellent or Very Good** 

Firecracker 5K Survey Comment: "Volunteers were extremely helpful and friendly. The actual course was probably the **best 5K course** I have ever ran."

Warrenville Multicultural Festival Survey Comment: "I was going to write you all a letter about this! **THIS EVENT WAS AMAZING**!!!! I came out first thing, stayed for a few hours, then went back later. Watching the last act from the prairie path, I was teary-eyed watching all the people of all colors, interests, backgrounds and beliefs DANCING together and smiling. It was truly awesome and I was SOOOOOO proud to be a resident of Warrenville. We have a great city with an amazing Park District staff who clearly put a lot into this even that brought out the best of us!!! WAY TO GO, WPD!!!!!!

Youth Basketball Survey Comment: "Coach Max was **incredible**! A great role model for the boys."

Daddy Daughter Dance Survey Comment: "Again, our small park district **outshines** the larger ones in the area!!"



## Value: Innovation

New specialty fitness classes **introduced** including Elevate Your Wellness and Tai Chi

Successfully **implemented** the following new events / programs: Summer Sticker Series, Beginner Pickleball Camp, Mom Son Olympic Challenge Night, Reptile Rhapsody, Stories and a Show for Grandparents & Me, Paddle Playtime: Outdoor Pickleball Demo, and Cyclones Juniors Volleyball League

Continued **partnership** with Johnson Elementary school for the Mighty Acorns program through The Conservation Foundation

Administered a new partnership with WWSHS Step Program Student Job Program

**Introduced** Hometown Holidays Drive-Thru & Food Drive as a unique new addition to our existing slate of holiday offerings

Pumpkins in the Park Scavenger Hunt was **initiated** to get the community introduced to all our parks during the Fall

#### **MANAGEMENT TEAM:**

Tim Reinbold, CPRP | Executive Director Penny Thrawl | Executive Assistant / HR Manager Linda Straka | Superintendent of Finance & Technology Gregg Ireland, CPRP, CPSI | Superintendent of Parks & Facilities Matt Odom, CPRP | Superintendent of Recreation / Safety Coordinator Michelle Savage, CPRP | Office Manager Sheri Potter, CPRP | Marketing & Community Engagement Manager

## Value: Sustainability

Received Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Certificate of Achievement for **Financial Reporting Award** for Fiscal Year April 30, 2023

Awarded an Illinois Arts Council/National Endowment for the Arts (IAC/NEA I) **Grant** for 2023-24 in the amount of \$6,800

Obtained City of Warrenville Tourism and Arts Council (TAC) **Grants** for Multicultural Festival, Art on the Prairie, Fall Fest, Lunchtime Live and Summer Movies in the Park

The District was a **recycling** center site for holiday lights and recycled over 200 pounds

District received \$1,500 award from PDRMA (Park District Risk Management Agency) for achieving Level A Status for last **Loss Control Review** (LCR)

Collected a truckload of pumpkins for SCARCE Pumpkin Smash recycling

A total of \$24,119 in **sponsorships** 

Installed two bee hives at Summerlakes Park in an effort to **increase** sustainability



## Value: Inclusion

Communication board installed at Lions Park Playground to bridge communication barriers and fostering meaningful connections for all, while ensuring that every child feels seen, valued, and included in their journey

Warrenville Multicultural Festival was held in June to offer a unique platform for people from various backgrounds to come together and share their traditions, stories, and art forms

Awarded \$1,458.50 in scholarships to those in need of financial assistance

In partnership with Western DuPage Special Recreation Association (WDSRA), provided **39 program participants with inclusion aides** 

**Employee engagement** activities included quarterly appreciation treats, annual Staff Appreciation Dinner, and National Park and Recreation Professionals Day Ice Cream Bar

Team Building trainings were held with Guest Services Staff and Supervisory Staff

Two All Staff Trainings were conducted in June and January





850+ Twitter Followers



ENGAGEMENT STATISTICS

1.400 +Instagram Followers



90.000+ Website Visitors



Subscribers

## Value: Exceptional Service

Comment from Tony Malia Pickleball Classic Survey: "Lots of nice people. Brian, Dave, and the volunteers were great."

Comment from Fall Soccer Survey: "The coaches were **fabulous**, the families were **great**, kids had a lot of fun while learning the sport and skills! Loved seeing familiar faces all around the field."

Comment from Breakfast with Santa Survey: "The event was **great**! Santa was so jolly and kept a smile on his face even when my daughter was screaming on his lap :) Food was yummy. We are non-residents but I do feel that it was still reasonably priced. Overall, my family enjoyed it for the second year in a row. **Can't wait for next year**!"

Comment from Flashlight Egg Hunt Survey: "It was **so very well organized and executed**! Our little ones had so much fun! Thank you!"

100% of survey respondents rated their Future Stars Gymnastics class with Coach Aiden as **excellent**.

Comment from Dance Survey: "We love the dance program! Thank you to Ms. Melanie, Ruth B., and the rest of the park district who puts together **such a great program** for our community!"



## FY24 Projects

**Cerny Park Improvement Project** - The City of Warrenville, in partnership with the Warrenville Park District, is leading a planning initiative to complete park improvements at Cerny Park and apply for funding assistance through an OSLAD (Open Space and Land Acquisition Development) grant from the IDNR (IL Department of Natural Resources).

Lions Park Playground Replacement Project - The Warrenville Park District received a GameTime / PlayCore grant through the Statewide Healthy Play Education and Funding Initiative. The Lions Park playground was replaced in Fall 2023 and a Ribbon Cutting was held in March 2024.

**Recreation Center Lower Level Multipurpose Room** was remodeled including new painting, flooring, ceiling tiles, cabinets and appliances.

Harding Park ownership was transferred from the City of Warrenville to the District with new signage.

Interior and exterior banners and signage were updated to convey our new **Mission, Vision and Values** created through the Strategic Master Plan.



## **Upcoming FY25 Projects**

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Lions Park Playground Basketball Court Project - Resurfacing, installation of new hoops, and color coating applied

The Recreation Center **Parking Lot Project** - Repairing sidewalks, and grinding and repaving of the parking lot.

**Exterior Door Access Project** - Project designed to improve building and property security by automating District building doors opening and closing schedules, along with tracking and controlling building access.

**Recreation Center Door 1** - Awning to be installed to aid in the reduction of ice buildup

