

Department of Parks and Recreation

Community Development/Human Services Committee

Quarterly Update

June 13, 2023





A City of Opportunity for All

Expand Youth and Senior Initiatives

Centers of Hope & Choice

Continue & Enhance APS School Breaks (Winter, Spring, Fall)

Extend hours at Recreation Centers

Enhance partnerships with non-profits

Park Activations: Popsicles in the Park, Movies in the Park, Community Events

Park acquisition efforts continue for all residents to be within a 10-minute walk to a park

One Safe City

Park Ranger Program – 1st ranger joined January 2023; efforts to build force underway

Cameras – installations continue through MAF funding

Park Activation – Prosocial activities to root out anti-social behaviors

Park Security Lights –
assessments of
operability and
monitoring to prevent
outages

A City Built for the Future

Park Maintenance Initiatives

- Asset Management System Software track lifecycle replacement + est. costs (within 5 years)
- Maintenance cost analysis

Facility Repairs and Renovations

- 71 projects identified in MAF
- Needs Assessment completed every 5 years







Effective & Ethical Government

- Enhanced Outreach Efforts
 - Community events
 - Community engagement meetings on resident concerns
- Council Communications Protocol

DPR in Action: Year of the Youth Initiatives

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Afterschool
Program (STEM
and
Academics)
Specialty



CBF Lifeguards Youth Employment



APS Break STEAM Camps



Gaming & E-Sports



Community
Block Party
w/Play Mobile



APF
partnership
staffing AtPromise Center



Summer in Motion



Camp Best Friends



Lifeguard Training and Hiring



Outdoor Pools and Splashpads



Summer Recreation Programming



Teen Academy Programming

Teen Leader Summer Basketball League











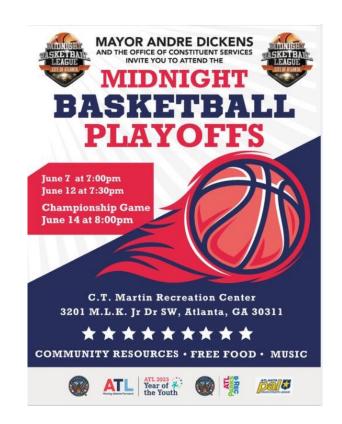
Camp Best Friends: In Focus

Current Registration: 2,389

June 5 – July 21

- Variety of Camps:
 - Traditional
 - Athletics
 - Summer Arts
 - Therapeutic
 - Atlanta Teen Academy
 - PrimeTime Senior







Summer Activations

- 2nd Annual summer event Popsicles in the Park returns with APD and AFRD partners; June stops include Cook Park and South Bend Park
 - Midnight Basketball Championship scheduled for June 14th at 8:00pm
- Summer Teen Basketball League registration ongoing through June
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Outdoor Pools Summer Plan



LOCAL NEWS

As Atlanta gets ready to open city pools, leaders stress water safety

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The city's splash pads are already open and plans to open its outdoor pools by the holiday weekend.



- DPR over management and lifeguard operations
- 12 outdoor pools and 4 indoor pools
- Two phase opening plan: 6 pools open May 27th and 6 pools open June 10th
- Open 5 days from 12:30pm7:00pm
- Two weekly maintenance days per pool
- 7 COA Splashpads opened May 1st

Indoor Summer Pools Update

Locations

Rosel Fann Natatorium

C.T. Martin Natatorium

MLK Natatorium

Washington Park Natatorium

Daily Activities*

Lap Swimming

CBF Swim Time (effective June 12th)

Senior Water Aerobics

Free Swim/Family Open Swim

Open Swim Therapy

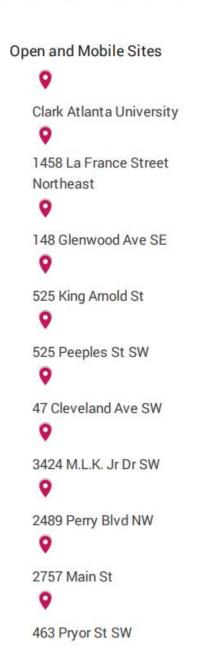
Summer Food Program 2023

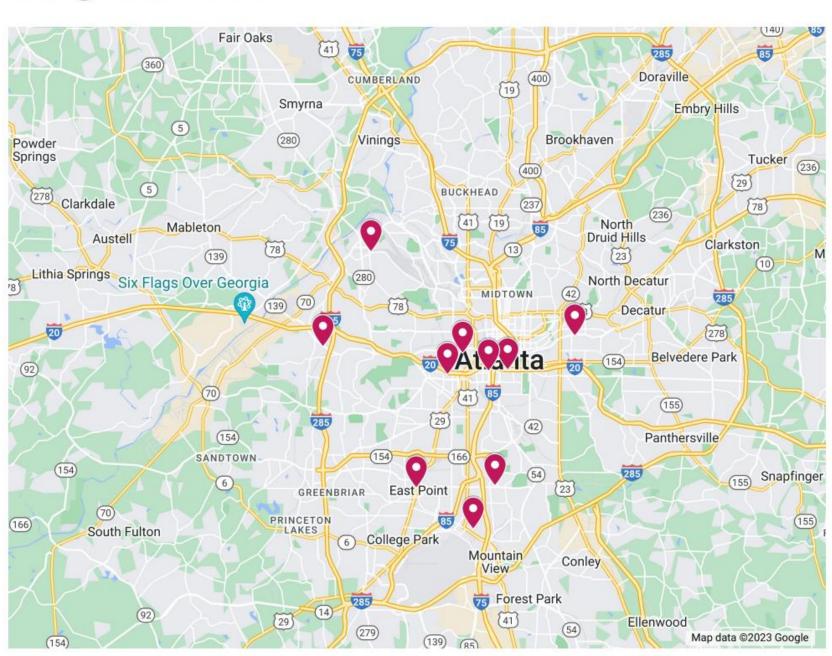
- Summer Food Program Launched June 5 and will continue through July 21
- Parents interested may call 404-546-6782 or online and enter zip code www.decal.ga.gov/nutrition/search.aspx
- 38 sites in 2023/26 sites in 2022
 - 46% increase YoY

*sites includes Open, Mobile and COA locations



Summer Foods Program 2023





Key Construction Updates

West Cascade Park construction

31 camera installation in process at Rosa Burney Park and Dunbar Recreation Center; scopes created for Selena Butler, H4W and Piedmont Phase II

CCTV Project Coordination

Chastain Park Golf Course cart path renovation

C.T. Martin Pool Pak Replacement

Bessie Branham HVAC Replacement

Wilson Mill Park and Southbend Park Ballfield Lighting

Citywide Parks ADA improvements

MAF Batch 1 to be Delivered FY2024 \$32,196,555.00

Currently in Construction

Currently in Pre-Construction/Procurement

South Bend Park Lighting and Fields	Chosewood Park Playground Improvements	Rebel Valley Park Improvements	Maddox Park Playground Replacement
Tremont Playlot Playground Replacement	Bessie Branham Park Playground Upgrades	East Lake Park Improvements	Cabbagetown Park Improvements
Olmsted Park Improvements	Morningside Nature Preserve	Herbert Taylor Park Improvements	Yonah Park Improvements
Piedmont Park Boardwalk & Dock Renovations and Access Upgrades	Peachtree Hills Park Improvements	Indian Creek Park Improvements	Vermont Park Improvements
Beaverbrook Playground Replacement	CT Martin Pool Pak Replacement	Melvin Drive Park Improvements	Wilson Mill Park Lighting
Pittman Park Walking Trail	Emma Millican Access Improvements	HVAC Replacement at Bessie Branham Rec Center	Oakland Cemetery Mobility Improvements

Little Nancy Creek
Bridge
Replacement

Brownwood Park
Playground
Replacement and
Upgrades

Sidney Marcus Park Improvements

Sunken Garden

Park Improvements

John Howell Park Improvements

Park Operations: June 2022 – May 2023

Averages Overview

• Mowing: 81% (95%)

• Trimming/Blowing: 82% (80%)

Garbage Cans Serviced: 89% (100%)

• Litter/Limbs Removed: 83% (95%)

• Arborists: 99%

• Forestry: 81%





Park Word Orders Completed March 1 – May 31, 2023

Arborists - 98%	Forestry - 91%	Skilled Services
(In Target)	(In Target)	81% (In Target)
245 out of 301	330 out of 336	889 out of 1,102





Recreation Programming

Winter Athletics: 1,850 participants (Overall Total)

Basketball: 1,577 participants (youth, tot and adult)

Majorette: 190 participants

Winter Swim Lessons: 83 participants

Spring Athletics

• Track and Field: 408 participants

Baseball: 738 participants (youth and tot)





#Hiring

9 Job Fairs since Oct. 22
APS and College Campus Visits
City Council updates
Banners, flyers, yard signs
Media Pitches
Social Media/Targeted Emails







Employers look to youth to fill hundreds of summer jobs across metro Atlanta

From lifeguards to camp counselors, hundreds of summer jobs need to be filled across the metro area



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