

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING

Pursuant to Section 54954.2 of the Government Code of the State of California, a Regular meeting of the **PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION** is hereby called for:

Date/Time: **Thursday, November 3, 2016, 7:00 p.m.**
(or as soon thereafter as possible)

Location: **City Hall Council Chambers**
333 Civic Center Plaza, Tracy

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MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Items from the Audience – *In accordance with Procedures for Preparation, Posting and Distribution of Agendas and the Conduct of Public Meetings, adopted by Resolution 2015-052, any item not on the agenda brought up by the public at a meeting, shall be automatically referred to staff. If staff is not able to resolve the matter satisfactorily, the member of the public may request a Commission Member to sponsor the item for discussion at a future meeting.*
4. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting – October 6, 2016
5. Old Business
 - a. Parks and Community Services Commission Goals
 1. Update from Sub-committees
6. New Business
 - a. DISCUSSION ABOUT FUTURE SKATE PARKS AND SKATE PARK IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY OF TRACY
 - b. REVIEW DEVELOPMENT OF THE CITY OF TRACY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEARS 2017-2019
7. Items from Staff
 - a. Parks & Recreation Director Report
 - b. Recreation Division Report - Attached
 - c. Community Facilities Division Report

- d. Public Works Parks Maintenance Division Report
- 8. Items from the Commission
- 9. Items from the Audience
- 10. Adjournment to next meeting on December 1, 2016

POSTED: October 27, 2016

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PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
October 6, 2016

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Vice Chair Levoit called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL:**

- a. Present: Vice Chair Levoit; Commissioners Birk, Johnson, Jimenez, Saltzman
- b. Absent: Chair Douglas, Commissioner Gouveia
- c. Staff Present: Don Scholl, Public Works Director; Larry Fisk, Interim Parks Superintendent; Christine Mabry, Management Analyst;
- d. Recorded By: Sandra Edwards, Executive Assistant

3. **ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE:**

Erik Andersen, 295 Belmont Lane, proposed a future agenda item to discuss a new state-of-the-art skate park in Tracy. Mr. Anderson indicated he had met with Don Scholl and André Pichly regarding the proposal.

4. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2016**

- a. Motion: Commissioner Birk made a motion to approve the Minutes of September 1, 2016, as modified
- b. Second: Commissioner Johnson
- c. Abstain: None
- d. Vote: Approved by unanimous vote

5. **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Parks and Community Services Commission Goals
 - i. Support Efficient Policies – No update provided
 - ii. Community Involvement – No update provided
 - iii. Park, Facility, and Sports Field Safety – The Legacy Fields ribbon cutting ceremony was mentioned.

6. **ITEMS FROM STAFF:**

- a. Receive Comments and Provide Input Regarding the El Pescadero Tracy Dog Park – Don Scholl, Public Works Director provided the staff report.

Linda Steffens, 388 Cose Lane, provided a handout to the Commission, and outlined various needs at the park including: replacing sprinklers, replacing grass, spraying for foxtails, tree service, and additional work on the fence. Ms. Steffens provided a sample of artificial (dog friendly) turf, a sample of mulch that was recently added to the park, and gave a donation of \$205 toward the purchase of additional trees. Ms. Steffens requested additional items such as moving the signs listing dog park rules, an obstacle course for the small dog side, a canopy to protect dog owners from inclement weather, handicap access, no smoking in park, and a water feature for hot days.

Linda Jimenez joined the Commission at 7:18 p.m.

The Commissioners discussed artificial turf, bids, and Capital Improvement Projects.

Mr. Scholl outlined infrastructure challenges, the process for Capital Improvement Projects, and funding.

The Commission also discussed foxtails, partnering with non-profits, a second dog park, a shade structure, and painting the benches.

Mr. Scholl added that staff has been doing their best to address some of the concerns, and will continue those efforts.

- b. Review and Recommend Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) Funding Priorities through Fiscal Year 2021-2022 for Adoption by City Council - Josh Ewen, Management Analyst, provided the staff report.

The Commission discussed the number of homeless people, added police personnel to address the needs of homeless by providing information on where housing is and where resources are.

Ana Contreras, Code Enforcement Manager, discussed Operation Helping Hands which provides homeless individuals with information on how to make a life style change.

The Commission discussed the pros and cons of ranking various groups and upon consensus, made a recommendation to Council that the CDBG and HOME funding priorities are adopted as follows in priority rank order through FY 2021-2022:

CDBG Public Services Category:

- (1) Food Distribution Services
- (2) Homelessness Prevention, Intervention and Transitional Housing Services
- (3) Senior and Special Needs Services
- (4) Domestic Violence Services
- (5) Youth Education and Enrichment Services

CDBG Public Facilities/Improvements Category:

- (1) Public Parks and Facilities
- (2) Removal of Architectural Barriers (ADA)

HOME:

- (1) Address issues of public safety, health and welfare;
- (2) Rehabilitate residential properties occupied by low income persons; and,
- (3) Partner to construct income restricted family and senior housing facilities.

Motion: Commissioner Johnson

Second: Commissioner Saltzman

Opposed: None

Vote: Approved by unanimous decision

- c. Review and Provide Input on Revised City of Tracy Sports Field Rental Handbook - Christine Mabry, Management Analyst, provided the staff report along with a copy of the revised Handbook.

The Commission discussed fees compared to surrounding cities and sunflower seed nuisances.

Robert Tanner, 1371 Rusher Street, referred the Commission to page nine of the handbook stating tournament fees were the same for the premier and regular fields.

The Commission accepted the report.

7. ITEMS FROM STAFF

- a. Parks & Recreation Director Report – Don Scholl, Public Works Director, reported that the CPRS Conference is coming up and the early bird registration deadline is October 14. Regarding the skate park, Mr. Scholl asked if the Commission wants to see it on a future agenda. Commissioner Levoit stated he would like to see it on an agenda.
- b. Recreation Division Report – Report was included as part of the agenda packet.
- c. Community Facilities Division Report – No report given.
- d. Public Works Parks Maintenance Division Report
 1. Parks Division Update – Don Scholl, Public Works Director, stated they will be planting trees at the dog park; celebrating Arbor Day at Lincoln Park at 9:00 a.m., on October 22, which will include a short presentation, representatives from Cal Fire, the Youth Advisory Commission, and an arborist who will be planting 15 trees at Lincoln Park and many more throughout Tracy.

Larry Fisk gave the following update:

- Pre-emergent spraying in General Fund Parks has begun.
- Tracy Sports complex crew has been busy with aerating, mowing, and field preps for adult league softball and tournaments. They have also been working on the General Fund Parks with batter box repacking, pitchers mounds and leveling when time allows.
- As of October, City crews took over maintenance of the four Babe Ruth Fields at Legacy Fields, along with parking lot medians, and non-landscaped areas.
- Parks crew has been busy with general maintenance in all parks. There have been a few repairs done at the dog park at El Pescadero; mainly at the bottom of the fence by putting in boards. There are plans to relocate the benches in the dog park, as well as plant 10 trees throughout the big dog section of the park and a couple in the smaller dog park.
- Landscape Maintenance irrigation crew is continually working on irrigation.
- XL Landscape continues to move forward in getting all the parks and street scapes mowed, edged, trash picked up, and shrubs trimmed.
- West Coast Arborist has been grid trimming in the older part of downtown residential area at Tenth Street and Central Avenue, the Downtown Plaza and will be working on the Civic Center in the next couple of weeks.

8. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION:

- Commissioner Johnson asked if any work was underway to plant trees at Legacy Fields to block the wind. Mr. Scholl stated currently there was no funding, and will be looking for grant applications for next year.
- Commissioner Jimenez stated she was impressed with the dog owners' packet of information and the community outreach that is taking place.
- Commissioner Saltzman stated she was glad that the Commission has an opportunity to provide input regarding non-profit distribution of funds.
- Commissioner Birk stated he was proud of the City of Tracy cemetery that was named number one in California.
- Commissioner Johnson announced that the West Side Pioneers Museum was having a free event on Saturday, October 15, including civil war re-enactments and crafts for kids between 10 a.m., and 2:00 p.m., at 1141 Adam Street.
- Vice Chair Levoit shared the South Side Community Organization's event held on September 11, 2016. Vice Chair Levoit voiced his frustration regarding those who paid to be a part of the event and those who did not pay to be part of the event, referring to mobile vendors (carts). Vice Chair Levoit asked if smoking at parks could be reported. Don Scholl stated in all practicality it would not be enforced based on police priorities. Mr. Scholl stated he would follow up with an email back to the Commission.

9. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

10. ADJOURNMENT:

- a. Motion: Saltzman
- b. Second: Johnson
- c. Vote: Unanimous
- d. Time: 9:25 p.m.

Staff Liaison

CITY OF TRACY
PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING
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AGENDA ITEM 6.a

REQUEST

**DISCUSSION ABOUT FUTURE SKATE PARKS AND SKATE PARK
IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY OF TRACY**

BACKGROUND

On October 6, 2016, during public comment, a resident expressed concerns about the need for more skate park facilities in the City Tracy. Prior to the resident's appearance at the Parks & Community Services Commission meeting, he had met with the Public Works Director and Parks & Recreation Director to voice his concerns. Both Directors encouraged the resident to attend the October 6th commission meeting to make his concerns known and to help start the dialogue about this subject.

DISCUSSION

As the concern voiced by the resident was done so during public comment, the commission was not permitted to enter into a discussion with each other or with the resident. The Public Works Director asked the Parks & Community Services Commissioners if there was any interest by two or more of the commissioners for the topic of future skate parks and skate park improvements be added to a future commission meeting for discussion. Commissioner Levoit said yes and there were nods from other commissioners that the topic be agendized for a future meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Parks & Community Services Commission discuss future skate parks and skate park improvements in the City of Tracy.

Prepared by: André Pichly, Parks & Recreation Director

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AGENDA ITEM 6.b

REQUEST

REVIEW DEVELOPMENT OF THE CITY OF TRACY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEARS 2017-2019

BACKGROUND

In the past, the City develops an annual Capital Improvement Program (CIP) to coincide with the development and approval of the annual budget each year. This year, the City is beginning a new 2-year budget cycle, which allows staff to plan for projects in 2-year increments. The CIP is a five-year document that is updated each year to reflect current projects, current priorities, and current funding. Projects in the CIP typically include project costs over \$100,000 (but may include projects of a lesser amount), have a life span of seven years or more, and result in the creation of a capital asset. The CIP also shows future plans to design and construct the city's infrastructure, whether by the City directly or as part of other development, such as future commercial or residential.

Only the projects that have been funded in a prior year, or are approved for funding in the current year, are worked on by staff in any given fiscal year. Projects that have future funding identified, but are not funded in the current year, are in a "holding pattern" until funding can be identified and linked to that project. If there are no designated funds for a particular CIP, then no work is done on that CIP.

Some CIPs are funded over several years, where the first year may be the planning and design phase and the second year may be construction. Some projects show annual funding to a multi-year program.

DISCUSSION

The following is the outline of the annual CIP process:

1. Update and prepare CIP submittals for the 2017-2019 CIP Budget including:
 - a. Update scope, project description, timelines and projected costs of current approved and proposed CIPs.
 - i. Review previously submitted CIPs for future years and either 1) assess feasibility and need for moving project into upcoming year, 2) remove from CIP, or 3) change scope of project.
2. Solicit new CIP projects from staff and the Commission.
 - a. Write description of project
 - b. Identify funding source
 - c. Identify phasing if applicable over multi-years of appropriation (i.e., Year 1: Planning and Design; Year 2: Construction)
3. Commission prioritizes all unfunded CIPs
4. Finalize costs. Submit to Development Services Department for review of costs, construction and soft costs.
5. Staff recommends CIPs to City Council

Each year, prior to beginning the CIP process for park related projects, the Parks Commission is given an opportunity to provide input. The Commission is encouraged to view the entire City CIP List, starting at section F of the current 2016-2017 budget, on the Internet at:

http://www.ci.tracy.ca.us/documents/City_of_Tracy_Financial_Plan_2016_17_and_2017_18.pdf

The following list includes those projects that may be of interest to the Parks and Community Services Commission. The Commission's input is requested on the following projects, new project ideas, or on the entire City CIP list, for possible inclusion in the FY 2017-2019 CIP.

CIPs FUNDED IN CURRENT FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017

PROJECT TITLE	PROJECT TOTAL	PROJECT COMMENTS
Legacy Fields – Phase 1B [#78153]	\$5,241,893	Completed 7 baseball fields and 6 soccer fields, plus 1 partial baseball and 2 partial soccer fields. Project to be completed by January 2017.
Tracy Ball Park Repairs – [#78053]	\$95,000	Removed bleachers and snack shack.
Community Swim Center (Ellis) [#78054]	\$13,551,000 Includes \$10 mil in Developer Contributions	Construction of an Aquatics Center.
Joe Wilson Pool Replacement – Dr. Powers Park [#78152]	\$3,500,000	Pool is operational.
Wooden Play Structures – Hoyt Park [#78148]	\$304,000	Replacement of aging and deteriorating wooden play structure. Project to be completed by summer 2017.
<i>Park Revitalization: City Areas</i> [#78140]	\$122,070	General Fund park grounds and equipment, includes tables, benches, bbq areas, turf irrigation systems and other amenities. (McDonald, Gretchen Talley, Kenner, Veterans, Barbosa, Ceciliani, Hoyt and Sports Complex). In scope phase. Pending completion.
<i>Park Renovation: LMD Areas</i> [#78149]	\$497,300	Replacement of playground equipment in LMD Zone 7 at Bailor-Hennan and Rippin Parks. Project start date pending due to other competing CIP priorities in the Engineering Division.
<i>Park Renovation: LMD Areas</i> [#78150]	\$497,300	Replacement of playground equipment in LMD Zone 17 at Sullivan and Huck Parks. Project start date pending due to other competing CIP priorities in the Engineering Division.
<i>Roof Replacement – Tracy Public Library</i> [#78154]	\$232,000	Replacement of aging roof at the library. Project start date pending due to other competing CIP priorities in the Engineering Division.
<i>Upgrade/Expansion of Lolly Hansen Senior Center</i> [#78155]	\$824,100	Various upgrades and expansion of the senior center. Project is a high-priority and expected to begin in early 2017.

<i>Basketball and Tennis Court Resurfacing at Various Parks [#78156]</i>	\$75,000	Resurface aged surface at various General Fund parks.
<i>Playground Replacement at Larsen Park [#78157]</i>	\$250,000	Replacement of playground structure.
<i>Playground Equipment Replacement in LMD Parks [#78160]</i>	\$835,000	Removal and/or replacement of unsafe playground equipment at Icardi, New Harmon, Valley Oak, Golden Spike, Mt. Oso and Mt. Diablo Parks.
<i>Public Restrooms at Legacy Fields [#78161]</i>	\$450,000	Restroom/Concession facility in the soccer field area of Legacy Fields.
<i>Legacy Fields Phase 1C [#78163]</i>	\$2,021,000	Construction of various site improvements in Phase 1 of Legacy, including additional restrooms, completion of the 5th baseball field, fencing, bleachers and a basic maintenance yard for PW staff.

UNFUNDED CIPs PROPOSED FOR FUTURE YEARS

PROJECT TITLE	ESTIMATED TOTAL	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
Ballpark Renovations – Tracy Ballpark, Phase I & II [#78PP-146]	\$9,500,000	Rebuild existing playing fields with new synthetic turf, 5-row bleachers, score boards, pre-fabricated restrooms, lighting, landscaping and parking stalls.
<i>Park Revitalization: LMD Areas [#78139]</i>	\$238,000	Landscape renovation along Pescadero Ave right-of-way. In scope phase.
Dog Park Site South end of Town [#78124]	\$300,000	Development of a dog park site in the South end of town. Including fencing, exercise equipment, access to water, and other amenities. Project first proposed for FY 12-13, pending purchase of suitable property.
Library Expansion (located at Holly and Eaton) [#78088]	\$3,834,600	Expansion of existing City library to add approximately 16,500 square feet necessary to serve new residents and provide additional area needed by library staff to handle ordering, reception, and cataloging of books.
<i>Dr. Powers Park Renovation [#78PP-079]</i>	\$1,334,000	Park renovations include upgrade of picnic structures, sewer pipes, trees, turf, and irrigation.
Park Development – El Pescadero Park Phase 2 [#78PP-018]	\$797,200	Includes turf renovation, BBQ and picnic areas, pathways, entranceways, fitness paths, and athletic fields.
New Gymnasium / Multipurpose Facility [#78PP-118]	\$10,788,500	Construction of a 52,000 square-foot multi-purpose indoor sports and community use facility.
Bicycle Motocross Track [#78PP-124]	\$381,300	Construction of a bicycle motocross track including land acquisition.

Skate Park 2 nd Location [#78PP-125]	\$293,700	Construction of a new skateboard park on existing City-owned property.
Legacy Fields – Phase II [#78PP-137]	\$7,609,000	Design and construction of infrastructure for Phase II of Legacy Fields.
Lincoln Park Renovation – Phase II [#78PP-139]	\$304,000	Renovations to Lincoln Park picnic area, barbecue shade structure, volleyball court, and seat wall around splash ground.
Bikeway Improvements – Future Phases [#78PP-079]	\$590,000	Future phases of bikeway improvements, as outlined in the 2005 Bikeways Master Plan. Locations for new bikeways to be determined at a later time.
Bikeway Rehabilitation – Various Locations [78PP-135]	\$177,500	Rehabilitation of various existing bikeways throughout Tracy including, but not limited to, signage replacement and striping of bike lanes.
Bikeways to Holly – Legacy Fields [#78PP-149]	\$580,000	Design and construction of a bikeway to the Legacy Fields along Tracy Blvd.
Kenner Park Walkway Repairs	\$35,000	Repair and replacement of asphalt.
Gretchen Talley Park – Booster Pump	\$23,000	Install booster pump to increase water pressure.
Park Irrigation Hardware and Software Upgrade	\$25,000	Upgrade will increase efficiencies in management of water consumption at parks.
Lincoln Park – Install Bollard and Chain	\$461,796	Install bollard and chain around perimeter of Lincoln Park in order to prevent unauthorized vehicle access into the park.
Disc Golf Course at Legacy Fields	\$550,000	Staff exploring possible locations.
Playground Replacement at Alden and Yasui Parks	\$590,000	Replacement of aged playground structures.
Relocate Locomotive at Dr. Powers Park	\$100,000	Relocate locomotive to another location in town.

PCS Commission Top CIPs for FY16-17

At the January 2016 PCS meeting, the Commission voted their top projects as followed:

1. Restrooms at Legacy Fields
2. New Senior Center
3. (tie) General Fund Parks Revitalization
3. (tie) Disc Golf Course

Next Steps

Staff will finalize new staff-recommended CIPs for FY 17-19 and present those to the Commission at the December 1, 2016, meeting. Staff also asks that the Commission prepare their list of new projects at the same meeting. The Commission will then prioritize those projects during the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Commission Review Development of the City of Tracy Capital Improvement Program for Fiscal Years 2017-2019.

Prepared by: Brian MacDonald, Management Analyst II

Approved by: André Pichly, Parks & Recreation Director

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AGENDA ITEM 7.b.

RECREATION DIVISION UPDATE

ATHLETICS

By Jolene Jauregui

Softball Leagues: The Tracy Adult Softball League Coed division will conclude on November 7 and the Men's division will conclude on November 18. The first pitch for the winter/spring season is scheduled on Monday, February 20, 2017 with the Monday night Coed division.

Youth Hoops: The City of Tracy Recreation Division in partnership with the Junior Warriors is hosting the Youth Hoops Basketball program open to participants' grades 3rd through 8th. A Skills Assessment was conducted on October 15 for all participants at Kimball High School. Currently there are 228 youth enrolled. Practices will begin the week of November 2nd and the first game will be held on December 3rd.



SENIORS

By Jolene Jauregui

For the month of September there were approximately 2,893 repeat seniors that attended the Senior Center. Each week the Senior Center welcomes new participants into our programs. We had 17 new seniors visit and tour the center for the month of August.

In the month of September, the Senior Fitness programs had 910 repeat participants. A variety of fitness classes are offered Monday through Friday. Each class has very little to no impact on the body and is adaptable for every fitness level.

Throughout the month of September, the Senior Center served 573 hot lunches with an additional 20 seniors joining with their own lunches in the Multi-purpose room. In addition, Meals on Wheels delivered 820 meals to homebound seniors in Tracy. Meals are delivered every Tuesday for a 5 day supply.

Highlights for October

- Senior Tuesday continues to impact a steady group of seniors. There were 7 seniors who enjoyed Painting, Gallery Talks and special Halloween Crafts.
- The Senior Gardening Series was held on Friday, October 7. There were 19 seniors who decorated pumpkins using succulents.

- AARP was held on Saturday, October 10. There were 25 seniors who learned about safe driving.
- On Friday, October 14, the Senior Center held “Fun Flick Friday.” There were 11 seniors who enjoyed watching a movie on a projection screen and free popcorn was provided. Additional concession items were available for purchase.
- On October 27, in partnership with the Senior Center, the University of Pacific School of Pharmacy and Health Services hosted a Health Fair for seniors and other Medicare Beneficiaries. There were 50 seniors registered that took part in numerous health screenings and testing including but not limited to; blood pressure testing, cholesterol testing, fall risk assessments and memory decline screenings. Participants were also offered a free evaluation of their Medicare Part D plan and a comprehensive review of all medications with a scheduled appointment.

Upcoming events and programs:

- Halloween Bash: On October 31, seniors are encouraged to dress up in costumes, and dance to Halloween music and enjoy spooky Halloween treats. Prizes will be given to the best dressed participants.
- Lunch & a Movie: Seniors will enjoy a special holiday themed movie, lunch and popcorn with friends and loved ones. The event will take place on November 15 in the Grand Theatre Center for the Arts main lobby.
- Tinsel 'n Treats: On December 7, seniors will look forward to enjoying live holiday themed performances, while they indulge in sweet treats and sipping hot chocolate.
- Black & White Ball: On December 12 the Senior Center will be transformed into a Black and White “Winter Wonderland” where those in attendance will enjoy a formal sit down dinner in the company of friends. Seniors will grab their loved ones and friends and dance the night away to jazz tunes played by *In the Mood Band*.
- Senior Holiday Trip – Winter Wonderland: On December 14, seniors will travel to downtown San Jose to visit the two-acre Cesar Chaves Park transformed into a holiday fantasy with over 60 musical and animated exhibits.

1. Senior Tuesday
2. Senior Gardening Series



SPECIAL INTEREST

By Jolene Jauregui

For the month of October, the Future Stars Tennis classes had a total of 8 participants registered. Participants learn the fundamentals of tennis taught in a fun and friendly environment. The Action Gymnastics classes had a total of 18 participants registered. Participants build strength and self-confidence with the use of music and gymnastics techniques and equipment.



SPECIAL EVENTS

By Jolene Jauregui

Legacy Fields Ribbon Cutting: The Legacy Fields Ribbon Cutting Ceremony was held on October 18 where we were joined by dignitaries, along with city officials for the ceremony. There were approximately 50 members of the community in attendance, as well as representatives of Tracy Babe Ruth, Tracy Little League and Tracy Youth Soccer League.

Girls Night Out – Witches and Broomsticks: The sixth annual Girls Night Out - Witches and Broomsticks was held on Friday, October 21, 2016 from 6:00pm to 10:00pm at the Downtown Plaza. The event sold out of its 600 tickets two weeks prior to the event date. Over 30 vendors were present at the event including one mobile boutique. The after party included a DJ, photo booth and the ladies could continue shopping.

Staff is preparing for the upcoming summer 2017 Downtown Block Party Series and Movies on the Plaza. Staff is also assisting with the Senior Center holiday events.



YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

By Jolene Jauregui

The ASP (After School Program) is a program offered at Louis Bohn, Poet Christian and Wanda Hirsch Schools. Staff is continuing to provide healthy snacks, homework help, recreation games, and arts and crafts at each site. For the month of October, staff coordinated various Halloween themed crafts and art projects. Staff also coordinated basketball games in the gym.

For the month of October:

Site	Full Time	Daily	Hourly
Bohn	14	2	8
Hirsch	16	7	11
Poet-Christian	7	1	15



S.A.F.E. - STUDENTS ADDING FUN TO EDUCATION

By Jolene Jauregui

SAFE is an after school program located at Williams Middle School. Staff provides many activities for the teens to participate in, such as homework help, arts & crafts and recreational activities. SAFE has been very fortunate to have its own room to hold the program in. In addition, staff utilizes the gym and outdoor areas to offer other recreation activities. Currently the SAFE program has 48 teens enrolled this school year. For the month of October, a ceramics instructor from the Grand Theatre Center for the Arts taught a ceramics class. Students learned the history of clay and each student was able to create their own sculptures. The students also participated in indoor soccer games in the gym.

