

SEATTLE PARK DISTRICT  
2022 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY



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FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

## Dear Parks and Recreation Community,



I am pleased to present our 2022 Park District Annual Report, a summary of highlights and accomplishments funded by the Seattle Park District.

While I am new to Seattle and Seattle Parks and Recreation, I have long known about the voter-approved property tax measure that supports much of what we do as an agency, and I am thrilled to be joining the department as we embark on the second six-year cycle of the Park District.

My vision for the future is simple: that every resident and visitor to Seattle will continue to have a deep and rich love of our parks and public spaces. Together, we will work hard to ensure our parks are safe, welcoming, and accessible for everyone. I also want to amplify our outreach, through improved marketing and communications, to meet people where they are and enhance their unique love of parks – whether that's related to climate action, forestry, recreation, art in the parks, special events, sports, or habitat restoration.

Among other initiatives, I'm looking forward to growing our Park Ranger Program and other community outreach programs, particularly for youth mentorship and development; I'm inspired to work with our planning and design teams to ensure every project is led through a lens of innovation and equity; and I'm excited to nurture more free and low-cost recreation programs for underserved communities.

### **THIS REPORT HIGHLIGHTS RESULTS FROM LAST YEAR'S PARK DISTRICT-FUNDED PROGRAMS, INCLUDING:**

- Development of a new park in Seattle's densely populated Lake City neighborhood
- Return of the "Third Shift Maintenance Crew" to overnight work so as not to interrupt daytime programming at community centers and other facilities
- A park maintenance "surge" that dramatically improved the appearance of parks and amenities

This is the last annual report that will focus solely on Park District-funded accomplishments. Important as it is, the Park District is only one of many funding sources that sustain the work of Seattle Parks and Recreation, and beginning next year, reporting on 2023 activities, our annual report will be more comprehensive to reflect this broad array of funding supporting Healthy People, Thriving Environment and Vibrant Community.

I am honored to work with our staff to keep advancing our work, highlighting our successes, and encouraging others to believe in us. We will continue to sustain and enhance one of the country's preeminent parks and recreation systems, grounded in innovation, accountability, equity, and health.

The Park District is vital and integral in helping us achieve this vision. #SeattleShines

### **AP Diaz**

Superintendent  
Seattle Parks and Recreation

FROM THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSIONERS

## Dear Seattle Residents,

2022 was a pivotal year for the Seattle Park District and we were pleased and honored the Board of Parks and Recreation Commissioners (BPRC) could play a key role in developing a plan for Park District funding for the next six years.

We were proud to serve in our roles as Commissioners on behalf of the public, and we were excited to support a solid and comprehensive funding proposal designed to provide clean, safe and welcoming parks, enhance access, services and recreation programs, and invest in the future.

From the last week in March through mid-May 2022, the BPRC embarked on a process to prioritize 41 funding proposals to support Seattle's parks and recreation system. We were assisted by Seattle Parks and Recreation staff and informed by comments from members of the public and robust and varied community engagement over the past several years. The proposals were divided into three sections that were reviewed and prioritized by three Board subcommittees.

The demands of Seattle's parks and recreation system continue to exceed available resources; as a result, we were not able to fund everything we would like to in this cycle. In making our recommendations, Commissioners considered the following Guiding Principles:

- Relationships to Seattle Parks and Recreation's (SPR's) Strategic Plan, Action Plan and SPR values of Healthy People, Thriving Environment, Vibrant Communities and Organizational Excellence;
- Responses to parallel crises of public health and well-being, economic recovery and climate change;
- Role in advancing racial equity; and
- Other priorities such as community responsiveness and performance.

We were also mindful of the impact to taxpayers, given ongoing economic uncertainties and affordability challenges Seattle residents face, and therefore scaling and prioritizing were an integral part of the process.

As you will see from the stories and highlights contained in this annual report, 2022 was also a year of significant accomplishments – leveraging Park District resources to get things done for the people and communities of Seattle.

Board members will continue to play a key role as accountability partners as we monitor the ramp-up and implementation of Cycle 2 Park District projects and activities.

Sincerely,

**Marlon Herrera and Jessica Farmer**

Co-Chairs, Seattle Board of Parks and Recreation Commissioners



## Park District Overview

In 2014, Seattle voters approved a proposition that created the Seattle Park District (also known as a metropolitan tax district), which collects a portion of property taxes to fund parks and recreation services. In 2022, the Park District collected \$0.207 per \$1,000 of assessed property value for a total of \$56,035,590.

The Park District is governed by the Seattle City Council acting as the Park District Board with oversight from the Board of Parks and Recreation Commissioners (BPRC). Governance and oversight are described in the Interlocal Agreement between the City and the Park District.

The Park District funds park and facility maintenance, recreation programs, land acquisition, park improvements, new park development and other improvements identified and revised on a six-year financial planning cycle. The first financial plan covered the six years from 2015-2020. Due to the pandemic, planning for the next six-year cycle was delayed until the spring of 2022 and in fall 2022 the Park District Board adopted the 2023-2028 funding plan.

It's important to note that the Park District is one of many funding sources that support the operations and work of Seattle Parks and Recreation (SPR). An overview of Cycle 2 planning is included later in this report. Broadly speaking, spending priorities align with SPR's Strategic Plan, and SPR's values of Healthy People, Thriving Environment, Vibrant Communities, and Organizational Excellence, as well as a departmentwide commitment to equity, access, and race and social justice.

## BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Parks and Recreation Commissioners (BPRC) is a 15-member community advisory board, serving three-year terms. The composition of the Board is eight members appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by City Council, including four at-large members, three members from other City Boards/Commissions, and one member from the Get Engaged Program. The remaining seven members represent each of the Seattle City Council Districts and are appointed by the City Council. One of the important roles of the Board is to provide oversight for Seattle Park District spending and operations.

### 2022 BPRC MEMBERS

Jessica Farmer, Co-Chair  
Marlon Herrera, Co-Chair  
Andréa Akita

Amy Brockhaus  
Pasqual Contreras  
Sophia Faller

Evan Hundley  
Stafford Mays  
Kelly McCaffrey

Phillip Meng  
Deepa Sivarajan  
Davon Thomas

Justin Umagat  
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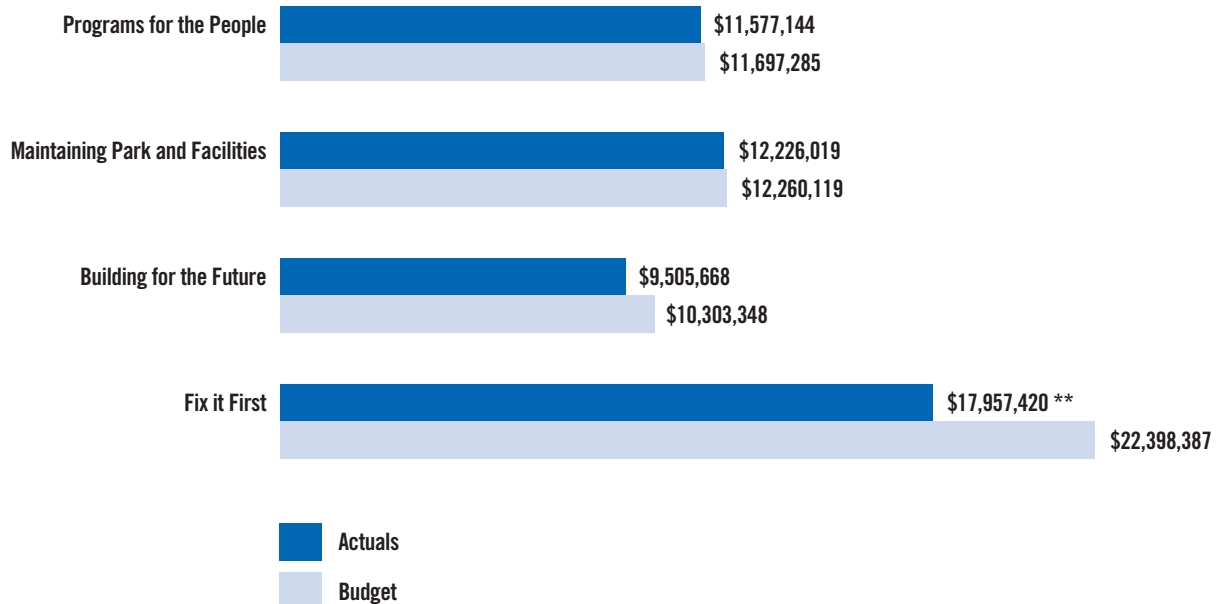
# Finances

## SEATTLE PARKS AND RECREATION'S 2022 DEPARTMENTWIDE BUDGET

Source	Capital Budget		Operating Budget		Total
Park District	21,166,689	39%	33,368,901	61%	54,535,591
General Fund			109,783,021		109,783,021
REET	48,618,827				48,618,827
Other Funds	28,509,000		46,261,285		74,770,285
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 98,294,516</b>		<b>\$189,413,208</b>		<b>\$287,707,724</b>

## 2022 BUDGET TO ACTUALS: PARK DISTRICT FUND

### 2022 Budget to Actuals\*



\*Budget and Actual bars include Annual Wage Increase changes made in 2022 to all City of Seattle departments and funds

\*\*All capital appropriation carries forward into the next budget year, and the remaining ~\$4M showing in the Fix it First category will roll over to 2023.

# Six-Year Financial Plan & Future Reporting

## Overview of Park District Cycle 2 Planning Process

The Seattle Park District Board’s adoption of the 2023-2028 funding plan in September 2022 was the culmination of an intensive multi-year planning process with input from community members, Seattle Parks and Recreation (SPR) staff, the Board of Parks and Recreation Commissioners, the Mayor’s Office, and the Park District Board. All these stakeholders played key roles in shaping the suite of Cycle 2 investments that were ultimately approved and continuing to champion the baseline \$58 million (in 2023 dollars) Cycle 1 investment on which these enhancements build. The timeline below gives a high-level overview of the key activities contributing to adoption of Cycle 2.

## Strategic Planning & Community Engagement | 2018 - 2021

Cycle 1 of the Park District was originally intended to span 2015-2020, with Cycle 2 launching in 2021. Anticipating this renewal process, in 2018-2019, SPR connected with community and partners for a holistic discussion about how to establish a strategic direction that drives SPR’s work toward meeting our city and patrons’ needs over the coming decade. The result of this planning effort was SPR’s 2020-2032 Strategic Plan. In early 2020, following this strategic planning process, SPR initiated work to identify Cycle 2 investments advancing Strategic Plan priorities. At the outset of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Mayor’s Office and Park District Board decided to pause this planning as SPR pivoted to emergency response. Throughout the pandemic, SPR renewed Cycle 1 baseline funding in 2021 and 2022 with significant realignments to mitigate pandemic-related revenue shortfalls.

Recognizing the dramatic disruption Seattle had experienced from four parallel crises—a once-in-a-lifetime pandemic, a reckoning with our racist past and present, an economic downturn, and increasing impacts of climate change—in 2021, SPR re-engaged with communities we serve to refine our understanding of community needs and priorities, particularly for those disproportionately impacted by these crises. This engagement effort resulted in SPR’s 2022-2024 Action Plan identifying short-term actions to implement SPR’s long-range Strategic Plan priorities, which directly influenced funding priorities for Cycle 2.

## SPR Proposal Development | Late 2021 – February 2022

SPR restarted the process of identifying potential Cycle 2 investments in late 2021. Leveraging input from community and staff, SPR determined that Cycle 1 baseline funding was intertwined with core department operations, and Cycle 2 proposals would build on this baseline. SPR developed a suite of potential investments expanding existing successful programs or supporting new programs and projects. The process of identifying these potential investments included a dedicated staff equity review and assessment of alignment with SPR’s strategic priorities. The department presented 41 funding proposals to the Board of Parks and Recreation Commissioners (BPRC) in early March 2022 for prioritization and briefed the Commissioners on certain pre-commitments that were not part of the prioritization process.

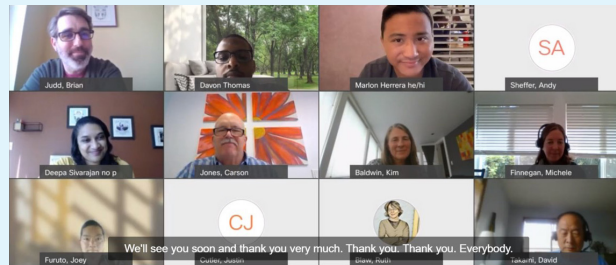


## Board of Parks and Recreation Commissioners Prioritization | March – May 2022

From the last week in March through mid-May 2022, the BPRC worked to prioritize the 41 funding proposals to support Seattle’s parks and recreation system with the assistance of SPR staff and informed by comments from members of the public. The proposals were divided into three sections that were reviewed and prioritized by three Board subcommittees:

- **Enhancing Access and Services:** Improving access to the existing parks and recreation system, and expanding services including ideas like activation and outdoor recreation programs, community center operations and youth development.
- **Restoring Clean, Safe and Welcoming Parks and Facilities:** Restoring clean, safe, and welcoming parks, including enhanced maintenance, safety and regulatory compliance, and continued focus on life-cycle asset management.
- **Investing for the Future:** Investing for future, including responding to climate change, building community capacity and responsiveness through grants and the equity fund, and developing new/enhancing existing parks and recreation facilities.

Each subcommittee held four meetings to learn about, evaluate, and prioritize proposals, which SPR subject matter experts summarized verbally and in writing. In mid-April, the full BPRC also held a “community conversation” to provide members of the public an opportunity for input to inform deliberations. A short survey was also available on SPR’s website early in the prioritization process to get a pulse check from community to inform Commissioners’ deliberations.



Commissioners committed to developing a proposal below the maximum levy authority (not requiring a public vote) in Cycle 2. Ultimately, the BPRC recommended \$30 million of additional investment (above baseline and pre-commitments).

## Mayor Harrell’s Budget Development | June – September 2022

Acting Superintendent Christopher Williams incorporated the BPRC recommendation in SPR’s annual budget submittal to the City Budget Office and Mayor’s Office, which was transmitted in early June. Throughout the summer, in the course of normal budget deliberations, the Mayor’s Office reviewed these recommendations and made several adjustments to reflect Mayor Harrell’s priorities. Highlights include significantly expanding the Park Ranger Program, supplementing resources available for mentorship, and redirecting/expanding investments in critical maintenance functions such as our urban forests. On September 6, 2022, Mayor Harrell transmitted his proposed six-year spending plan to the Seattle Park District Board.

## Park District Board Budget Development | July – September 2022

In parallel with the Mayor’s budget process, the City Council acting as the Park District Board conducted a series of briefings and public engagement to inform their review of the draft Cycle 2 funding plan. In July 2022, the Park District Board hosted a public hearing and several briefings about the Cycle 2 funding plan, including background, context, options, and priorities. Several Councilmembers also held town hall meetings to gather additional input from their constituents about their priorities for Park District funding. Once the Mayor transmitted his proposed funding plan in early September, the Park District Board conducted additional public hearings and a series of briefings with SPR to inform a range of amendments to the Mayor’s proposal before adopting the 2023-2028 funding plan on September 27, 2022.

For a summary of Park District Cycle 2 initiatives, please visit:

[Seattle.gov/documents/Departments/ParkDistrict/CF-1-2022\\_ProposedAmendments.pdf](https://seattle.gov/documents/Departments/ParkDistrict/CF-1-2022_ProposedAmendments.pdf)

## Highlights of Park District - Funded Accomplishments for 2022

- **SPR opened all eight indoor pools and both outdoor pools and provided swim lessons to 13,950 kids and offered 3,597 scholarships.**
- **We completed improvements at the Westcrest and Genesee Off-Leash Areas, installing dog agility equipment at Genesee.**
- **All open comfort stations received “deep cleaning” maintenance. Crews also pressure washed 148 tennis courts, 102 basketball courts, 25 picnic shelters, more than 350 picnic tables and all wading pools.**
- **The Arts in Parks program delivered 33 projects, 21 of which were BIPOC-led. Projects involved 849 artists and offered 119 performances, serving 22,542 participants including 6,000 youth.**
- **Our Urban Parks Partnership program held 688 events and activities, including 5,139 activation hours, 18,119 concierge hours and 1,608 busking hours.**

### Neighbors Flock to New Park in Lake City



A new park in Seattle's Lake City neighborhood was a long time in coming for neighborhood residents but well worth the wait. Cheryl Klinker was involved from the very beginning and she dates the idea for the park back to the mid-2000s.

Seattle Parks and Recreation (SPR) purchased this property in 2010 with funding from the 2008 Parks and Green Spaces Levy to provide additional open space for the Lake City community. SPR demolished the building on the property and worked with the community on the design for the park. Funding for the development of the park was made possible by the voter-approved Seattle Park District.

This core section of the neighborhood is densely populated with a very diverse population, including many immigrant families with young children. The need for more park space was critical, especially east of Lake City Way.

The park is a huge improvement for the community. “I walk by the park two or three times a week and often stop in to sit and chat with friends,” says Klinker. “It’s just so great and it’s so rewarding to see kids playing basketball and on the playground.”

The new park offers a multi-generational appeal with a wide range of activities and green space. It includes a large dome play structure with netted climbing features, climbing wall, half-basketball court, accessible pathways, new benches and picnic tables, open lawn, P-Patch garden plots, bike racks and a sculpture by artist Elizabeth Gahan.



# 2022 IMPACT REPORT

## HEALTHY PEOPLE



1,698

Get Moving and mobile recreation program hours serving 11,473 participants



4,410

meals for children in summer outdoor programs



630

lifeguarded days at 8 beaches, 154,000+ visitors, 22 First Aid, 78 rescues



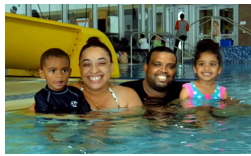
8,926

users at hygiene & shower programs at 5 community centers



1,529

enrolled in Specialized Programs; 7,032 enrollments for the Lifelong Recreation Program



## THRIVING ENVIRONMENT



30.9

acres of Seattle's urban forest enrolled in restoration



99%

of Seattle residents live within a 10-minute walk to a park or publicly owned green space



104,808

facility maintenance hours completed with 60% demand work and 40% planned work



61

capital projects substantially completed and 4 project assessment studies finished



70,013

native plants installed, including 8,595 trees planted and 3,182 existing trees pruned



## VIBRANT COMMUNITY



93%

Seattle Conservation Corps members secured employment



216,611

scheduled hours for athletic fields and 10 fields for free drop-in play



33,223

volunteer hours by 10,055 volunteers; hours valued by the Independent Sector at \$945,194



4,719

event permits, 22,974 bookings



910

people received a total of \$1.26 million in scholarships to access childcare and recreation programs

## Return of Third Shift a Welcome Sight for Visitors and Staff

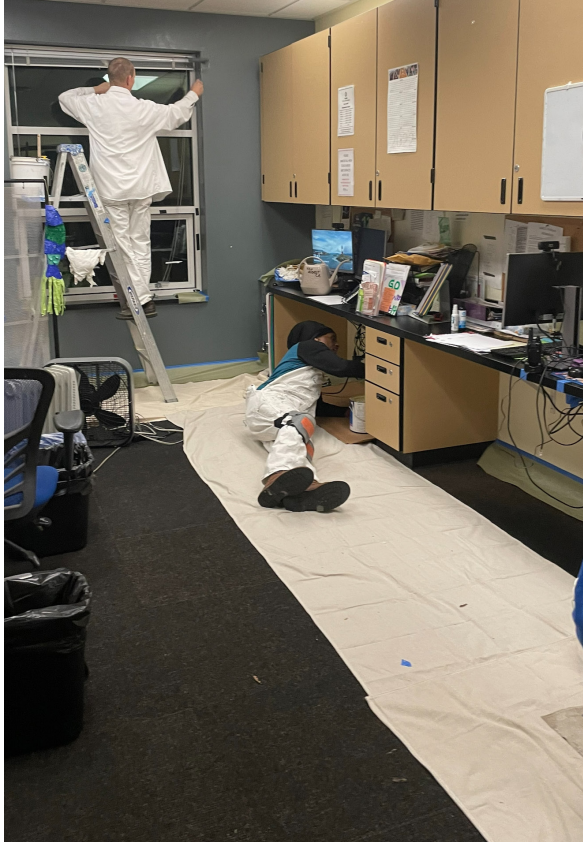
It was the best of both worlds, recalls Doreen Deaver, Coordinator of the International District – Chinatown Community Center. “Much needed work was able to get done in our building, and programs were still able to take place,” says Deaver. “It was so nice to come in each day and see the walls that were painted and the place looking very refreshed without any impacts to the community.”

Seattle Parks and Recreation’s Third Shift maintenance crew works at night so programs can continue as usual during the day in community centers, teen centers, office buildings and crew quarters. The workers include painters, carpenters, electricians and plumbers.

During the pandemic year of 2020 and into 2021 the night work was suspended and workers were re-assigned to day shifts. The Third Shift returned in 2022, visiting 19 facilities to work on a variety of projects. At Bitter Lake Community Center for instance, the team:

- Refinished the floors in the preschool room, teen room and art room
- Deep-cleaned the lobby and buffed/shined lobby floors
- Deep-cleaned lobby carpet and furniture
- High dusted in the gym, lobby and offices
- Power washed concrete at both entrances
- Cleaned all windows and doors
- Sealed bathroom floors
- Painted gym walls and border
- Replaced and repaired sound boards in the gym
- Painted the lobby and behind the counter trim
- Replaced lobby light fixtures

Prior to the creation of the overnight work program, maintenance occurred on a cycle of seven years at each center and required that the facility be closed for two weeks to a month for the repairs. The buildings looked worn after this long interval between major maintenance. Closing the centers adversely affected already disadvantaged communities who depended on the centers and SPR staff for vital services like childcare, meal programs, social and health programs and recreation activities.



## Grounds Maintenance Surge Spiffs Up Parks

Two years of holding staff vacancies and redirecting resources to support emergency response during the COVID-19 pandemic had taken their toll on the look and upkeep of many Seattle parks – which were more frequently used during and after 2020. Park visitors took note as reflected in their responses to a community survey in late 2021.

In response to these concerns, in 2022, SPR began to staff up and re-focus on basic park and facility maintenance. By July 1, Seattle Parks and Recreation hired 50 additional staff to help address the maintenance backlog and enhanced maintenance in our system.

At first, staff focused on four priorities that make a park look clean and inviting, significantly increasing levels of service: cleaning restrooms, graffiti removal, trash/litter removal and mowing. As needed, other work included leaf maintenance, court surface cleaning, irrigation system repair and shrub bed trimming. Crews paid extra attention to the many parks hosting summer events.

Jane Victoria Mycock, among others, noticed the changes. “Thank you for maintaining bathrooms and keeping them clean!” Mycock, a South Lake Union resident, posted to Facebook last year. “It makes a big difference because it makes parks more accessible to everyone. The efforts to clean them don’t go unnoticed!”

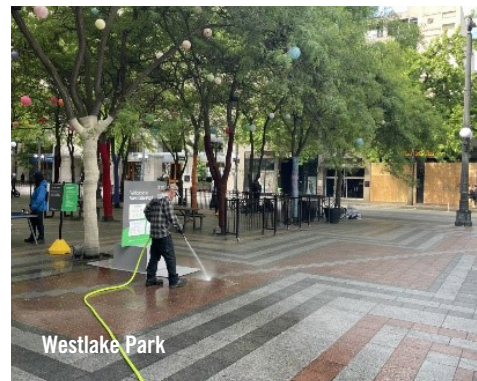
Maintenance surges will continue into 2023 on an as-needed basis, but the increase in staff will mean cleaner, more inviting parks and park facilities throughout the year.



Baker Park - Before



Baker Park - After



Westlake Park

MAINTENANCE WORK AUG. 29 - SEPT. 4	
 <b>77 HOURS OF MOWING</b>	 <b>428 HOURS COMFORT STATION CLEANING</b>
 <b>163 HOURS GRAFFITI REMOVAL</b>	 <b>101 TONS OF TRASH REMOVED</b>
 <b>WE ARE ADDRESSING A BACKLOG OF MAINTENANCE IN OUR PARKS BY RAMPING UP MOWING, COMFORT STATION CLEANING, AND GARBAGE REMOVAL ACROSS OUR SYSTEM.</b>	

# 2022 Accomplishments

## FIX IT FIRST

INITIATIVE	YEAR-END ACCOMPLISHMENTS
<b>Community Center Rehabilitation and Development</b>	Completed Jefferson Community Center renovation and had the following projects in design: Queen Anne, South Park, Magnolia, Hiawatha, and 8th and Mercer.
<b>Major Maintenance Backlog and Asset Management</b>	Completed 14 major maintenance projects including Fairmount Play Area Renovation, Bradner Play Area Renovation, Ballard Playfield Lighting improvements and Lakeridge Comfort Station ADA improvements. This funding also supported the Pickleball Study.
<b>Saving Our City Forests</b>	Planted over 8,590 trees. Supported partnerships with 14 organizations that provide community engagement, including volunteer opportunities (32,959 volunteer hours), training and work parties, as well as paid job pathway programming (123 people served including 89 youth).
<b>Ongoing Utility Funding</b>	Supported approximately 27% of the department's total utility expenses. Utilities support all SPR lines of business such as electricity for buildings and water for swimming pools and irrigation.
<b>Aquarium Major Maintenance</b>	Completed annual facility repair and maintenance (including electrical, mechanical, plumbing and life safety systems), and the installation of ADA accessibility upgrades. Supported the completion of 3 capital projects: construction of a veterinary clinic on Pier 60, modification to the Northern Fur Seal habitat, and zinc mitigation work in the alcid habitat.
<b>Zoo Operations Support</b>	Finished accessibility repaving projects at more than 25 locations around the zoo making these spaces safer and more accessible to zoo guests and employees. Completed a “refresh” of the Living Northwest Trail including Canada lynx habitat and head start center for endangered pond turtles.

## MAINTAINING PARKS AND FACILITIES

INITIATIVE	YEAR-END ACCOMPLISHMENTS
<p><b>Increase Preventive Maintenance</b></p>	<p>Redeployed Enhanced Maintenance Third Shift crew who had been re-assigned to day shifts during the pandemic and hired for vacant positions. Completed work at 19 different sites. Repairs included painting, repairing burned-out and broken light fixtures, re-lamping, and performing electrical repairs on outlets, alarm panels, and other lighting fixtures in these facilities. Enhanced Cleaning Crew completed work at 40 different sites and completed deep cleaning and floor care. SPR Drainage and Wastewater crew inspected and cleaned all structures needed for National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit compliance.</p>
<p><b>Provide Clean, Safe, Welcoming Parks</b></p>	<p>Supported SPR’s maintenance surge – focused on getting parks ready for peak season use following a focus on pandemic emergency response. Activities included: increased mowing, deep cleaning of all open restrooms and pressure washing 148 tennis courts, 102 basketball courts/areas, 25 picnic shelters, over 350 picnic tables and all wading pools. Re-started 7-day coverage with emphasis on second shift restroom servicing.</p>
<p><b>Make Parks Safer</b></p>	<p>Issued 798 verbal warnings and 8 written citations for off-leash and Park Code violations by SPR and Finance and Administrative Services (FAS) Animal Control.</p>
<p><b>Improve Dog Off-Leash Areas</b></p>	<p>Completed improvement projects at Westcrest off-leash area and Genesee off-leash area; Genesee’s project included the installation of dog agility equipment.</p>
<p><b>Rejuvenate Our P-Patches</b></p>	<p>Completed projects at Beacon Bluff, Marra Farms, and Delridge P-Patch gardens.</p>

# PROGRAMS FOR PEOPLE

INITIATIVE	YEAR-END ACCOMPLISHMENTS
<b>Aquatics Programming Support</b>	<p>Opened all 8 indoor pools and both outdoor pools. Offered swim lessons to 13,950 participants and provided 3,597 swim scholarships. At SPR small craft centers, returned programming to 80% of pre-COVID levels. Summer programming included operating 6 of 9 public beaches (making 78 rescues) and 20 of 22 wading pools (serving 79,104 visitors). Ran 21 lifeguard training classes for 161 participants.</p>
<b>Restore Community Center Operations</b>	<p>Started phased-in approach to full community center operation following two years of pandemic-altered programming, including increasing hours, lifting restrictions, ramping up programs and community rentals. All restrictions were removed in April 2022, allowing the restart of activities, programming, and special events.</p>
<b>Recreation Opportunities for All</b>	<p>Allocated \$200,000 to 25 awardees serving 4,065 participants during 680 program hours. Allocated an additional \$200,000 (from federal COVID-19 relief funding) for 1,221 program hours serving over 35,500 participants.</p>
<b>Better Programs for Young People—Seattle's Future</b>	<p>Provided mentorship to 392 youth. 332 youth received mentorship, training, stipends, and employment opportunities through the Youth Employment and Service Learning program, 60 youth through the Food and Fitness program.</p>
<b>Meeting the Needs of People with Disabilities</b>	<p>Funded Specialized Programs including virtual programs, basketball, field games, weekend trips, after-school programs, dance, summer camps, and adult day programs. Youth Summer Camp served more than 90 youth ages 4-21.</p>
<b>More Programs for Older Adults</b>	<p>Funded the Lifelong Recreation Program, including environmental education in the Sound Steps walking program; serving 510 participants representing six different languages in 35 equity-focused programs; launching a neighborhood walking and reminiscing program for Black adults age 55+.</p>
<b>Arts in Parks</b>	<p>The Arts in Parks program delivered 33 projects, 21 of which were BIPOC-led. Projects involved 849 artists and offered 119 performances, serving 22,542 participants including 6,000 youth.</p>
<b>Get Moving Fund</b>	<p>Awarded \$118,644 to 12 groups for culturally responsive physical activities and recreation programs in communities with disproportionate health, social and economic outcomes. Awardees offered over 930 program hours and served 2,440. Supported Rec 'N the Streets providing 761.5 hours of programming serving 9,033.</p>
<b>Customer Service and Technology</b>	<p>SPR's Business Service Center completed 4,735 system adjustments, prepared 81 reports, trained 126 employees and contacted 10,811 customers by email and 7,007 customers by phone.</p>

# BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE

INITIATIVE	YEAR-END ACCOMPLISHMENTS
<b>Park Land Acquisition and Leverage Fund</b>	Acquired 25,860 square feet (0.6 acres) of parkland at 2 locations: One property was acquired along Longfellow Creek in West Seattle and an easement was acquired for public access to the grounds of the Beacon Hill Garden House in South Seattle. Leveraged \$2.3 million in non-SPR funds to support these 2 acquisitions.
<b>Performance Monitoring and Strategic Management</b>	Published the 2021 SPR Park District Annual Report. Planned, designed, facilitated, and led the Park District Cycle 2 investments prioritization process internally and with the Board of Parks and Recreation Commissioners.
<b>Urban Parks Partnership</b>	Held 688 events and activations, including 5,139 activation hours, 18,119 concierge hours and 1,608 busking hours.
<b>Major Projects Challenge Fund</b>	Completed the Volunteer Amphitheater project and began construction on the Green Lake Small Craft Center redevelopment. The South Park Community Playgrounds/Field project was in design.
<b>Maintain and Activate Seattle's New Waterfront Park</b>	SPR provided maintenance services for the completed elements of the Waterfront and supported summer activities and events on Pier 62, the only large public facility currently open for programming on the waterfront. SPR, Office of the Waterfront and Seattle Center planned for a 2023 transition of maintenance of operations from SPR to Seattle Center.
<b>Waterfront Redevelopment</b>	A new public space is under construction at the site of the previously demolished Waterfront Park/Pier 58. Pier 63 was demolished in late 2022.
<b>Maintain 14 New Parks at Land-Banked Sites</b>	Completed the Lake City Park Development project with 10 other land-banked development projects in planning and design.
<b>Develop / Maintain Smith Cove Park</b>	The Smith Cove Park project continued to be on hold in 2022.
<b>Activating and Connecting to Greenways</b>	Completed the Cheasty Bike Pedestrian Trail as a new connection among multiple pedestrian and bicycle venues, and the Dr. Blanche Lavizzo Trail. Installed new bike racks at Roxhill Park (adjacent to a neighborhood greenway). In design phase: SDOT/SPR I-90 Trail (trail lighting, staircase), connecting the future Judkins Light Rail Station to adjacent parks and other neighborhood trails.



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