

Parks & Recreation Department Overview

July 2025

Department Overview

Mission

Support a vibrant, active quality of life for all ages, abilities and interests of the Santa Clara community through excellent parks and recreational facilities, community services, programs, and events.







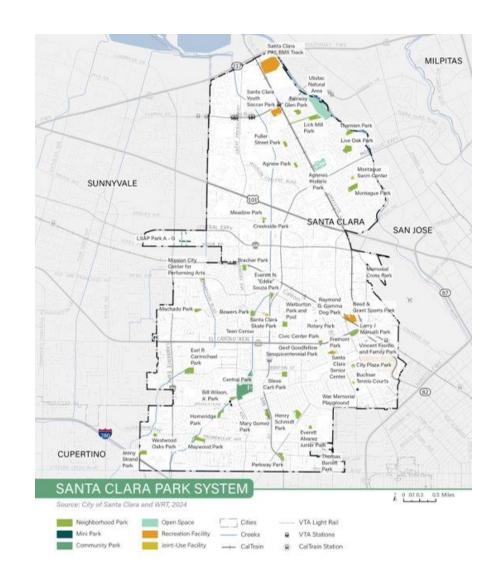
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 - Events
 - Commissions



Parks & Programs

- 2 Community Parks
 - Central Park (45+ acres)
 - Central Park North undeveloped (34+ acres)
- 28 Neighborhood Parks (124 acres)
- Public Open Space (43 acres)
- 15 Mini Parks
- 4 Community Centers
- Aquatics (11 pools, 5 sites)
- 2 Community Gardens
- 4 Dog Parks & Off-leash Areas
- 13 Athletic Fields and 4 Recreational Buildings



Events

- City-wide Special Events
 - Holiday Tree Lighting (December)
 - Sunset Cinema (April October)
 - > 4th of July (July)
 - Street Dance (August)
 - Art & Wine Festival (September)
 - Summer Concert Series (June August)
 - Halloween Party (October)



Commissions

- Staff Support to four (4) City Commissions and a Task Force
 - Parks & Recreation Commission
 - Cultural Commission
 - Senior Advisory Commission
 - Youth Commission
 - City/School Task Force







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What We Do

- Serve our community by creating inclusive spaces, memorable experiences, and opportunities for connection, growth, and fun. Whether you're exploring a neighborhood park, joining a recreation class, or attending a community event, the Parks & Recreation Department helps make Santa Clara a great place to live, work, and play.
 - Major Projects & Initiatives
 - Department Priorities
 - Parks & Facility Projects
 - Bond Projects



Department Priorities

- Youth Community Sports Field Fees (1st Qtr 2025)
- Review of Parkland Dedication Ordinance (1st Qtr 2025)
- Evaluation of Cemetery Fees (3rd Qtr 2025)
- Evaluation of Lawn Bowl Clubhouse Options (4th Qtr 2025)
- Completion of Parks Master Plan (August 2025)



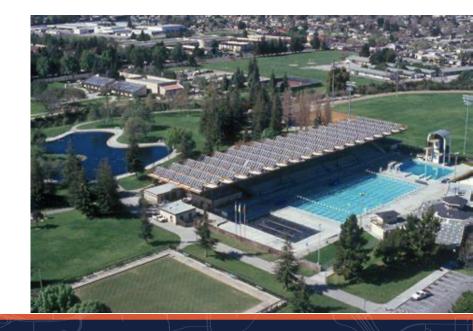
Parks & Facility Projects

- Temporary Re-Opening of International Swim Center (1st Qtr. 2025)
 - Tile, drain, ladder and replastering work (Jan 2025)
 - Mitigation of exterior fencing requirements and installation of interior fencing (Jan 2025)
 - Aquatics Clubs to vacate their supplies and equipment (Jan 2025)
 - Acquisition ADA lifts, portable shower facilities and corresponding electrical work
 - Negotiation of License Agreements with each of the Aquatics User Groups (Feb 2025)
- Begin redesign of Parks Service Center to address ADA and health/safety issues (2025)
- Central Park Access & Parking Improvement (Ongoing; to be completed Summer 2026)
- Park Openings:
 - Calle del Sol (Ensemble) (1st Qtr. 2025
 - 2330 Calle de Luna (Related) (1st Qtr. 2025)
 - 360 Brokaw: Gateway Crossings (Hunter-Storm/Holland) (1st Qtr. 2025)
 - 2309 Calle del Mundo (SummerHill) (1st Qtr. 2025)



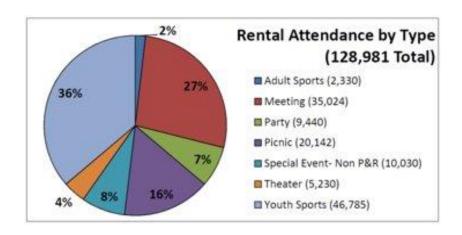
Bond Projects

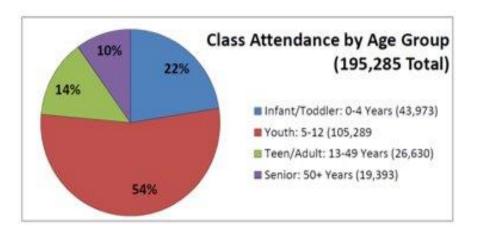
- Measure I Bond: Parks, Libraries, Senior Center and Aquatics Facilities \$115,258,750
 - International Swim Center (2025)
 - Design for Park Building Infrastructure Projects (Various)
 - Bowers Park Building & Parking Lot
 - Pickleball Courts Study/Design
 - Senior Center Expansion/Renovation
 - Playgrounds Rehab Projects
 - Henry Schmidt, Earl Carmichael, Warburton & Maywood

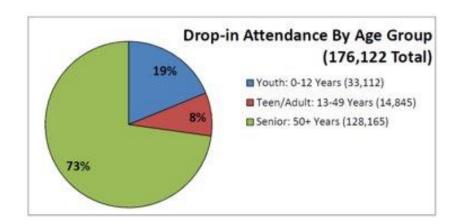




Parks & Programs











New Senior Advisory Commission Orientation

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