

Castle Rock
PARKS &
RECREATION
December 2022
Monthly Report



























UPCOMING Events

View up-to-date information at CRgov.com/Events.



HOLIDAY TREE RECYCLING Visit CRgov.com/TreeRecycle

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WINTER BALL

5 - 8 p.m. Douglas County Fairgrounds



COLORADO BLUEBIRD PROJECT OPEN HOUSE

7 - 8 p.m. The Millhouse at Philip S. Miller Park



COLORADO BLUEBIRD PROJECT NEST BOX MONITOR TRAINING

6:30 - 8 p.m. The Millhouse at Philip S. Miller Park

CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATES

Parks, Open Space & Trails

The following updates summarize general progress that occurred throughout the month on capital projects managed through the Parks and Recreation Department; for background information and additional details visit CRgov.com/ProjectUpdates.



PAINTBRUSH PARK ATHLETIC FIELD TURF CONVERSION

- The soccer field at Paintbrush Park is complete and contractor Academy Sports Turf has commenced work on both softball fields.
- In preparation to replace the softball field dugouts in 2023, boring samples were obtained. Once the engineer's report is received, staff will obtain project bids. The softball field fencing will also be replaced this year.



BUTTERFIFI D PARK RENOVATION

- Construction of the playground area continued as all the concrete was placed and some elements installed; the remaining playground amenities will be added in February.
- The footings for the park shelters were also installed, and the shelters should arrive in February.



DOUGLAS COUNTY OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

In December, Town Council unanimously approved a motion supporting the nomination of Patti Hostetler to serve as the Castle Rock representative on the Douglas County Open Space Advisory Committee. The Parks and Recreation Department has historically researched and offered appointment recommendations to help fill this role. Next, the Douglas County **Board of County Commissioners** will consider formally approving the appointment to help COSAC's purpose of providing recommendations on the disbursement of funds from the County's Open Space. Trails and Parks Fund. Patti recently retired as the Executive Director of the Douglas Land Conservancy, served as the Treasurer of the Board of Directors of the Castle Rock Parks and Trails Foundation and was honored with a Lifetime Achievement Award from Keep it Colorado, the statewide coalition for Colorado land trusts.

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SPORTS DEVELOPMENT CENTER AT THE BRICKYARD

 Barker Rinker Seacat Architecture is nearing completion on the schematic design process for the proposed sports development center as part of the Brickyard. The designs will set various drawings to map out the facility's interior and exterior, including plans, elevations and systems. Staff will present the designs to Town Council in first quarter 2023 to obtain feedback on the general direction outlined to date.



COLORADO FRONT RANGE TRAIL AT CASTLE ROCK

- Clearing and grading is continuing along McMurdo Gulch between Castle Oaks North and Castle Oaks South.
- Boring sampling was completed in December to design the future trail walls, and staff are now waiting on the engineer's report to proceed
- Grading and wall construction will continue throughout the colder months; the concrete path will be placed throughout the spring and summer to minimize winter weather costs.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

& Facility Rental Summary





12.02- FESTIVAL PARK 12.03 STARLIGHT MARKET Festival Park transformed into a

- Festival Park transformed into a premier craft and food market, serving as the perfect place for residents to kick off their holiday shopping
- Over 40 vendors featured items including unique crafts, art, and specialty foods such as roasted chestnuts, tamales and salsa
- More than 6,000 visitors enjoyed the market over two days

REINDEER GAMES 12.03

- 3,000 event-goers enjoyed kid-friendly activities in a winter-themed wonderland in the Millhouse and Amphitheater area at Philip S. Miller Park
- Santa welcomed guests indoors, while s'more roasting, sleigh rides, an obstacle course, outdoor yard games and train rides kept the outdoor space lively













12.10 STORYTELLERS AND S'MORES

- Guests enjoyed watching Buddy the Elf enthusiastically greet Santa as he arrived at Festival Park
- Anna and Elsa, Santa, the Grinch and Buddy the Elf read their holiday favorites from the giant Storytellers Chair
- Over 2,000 guests joined in the holiday fun listening to stories, roasting marshmallows and sipping hot chocolate

SPECIAL EVENT 10 **FACILITY OR VENUE RENTALS**

- Including 7 holiday parties, 2 celebrations of life, 1 internal event and 5 site visits
- 17 trolley rentals



PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

Summary

attendees at the Wednesday Wellness Walk at East Plum Creek





Camp Christmas attendees



70 adults enrolled in pottery or dance



youth enrolled in dance, KidzArt or fencing

157
enrolled in
Adventure Club
Preschool





waitlisted for Adventure Club Preschool



53 Middle School Madness participants 218
enrolled in school break camps



125 Learn to Swim program offerings



260
Learn to Swim program participants



FITNESS & WELLNESS

RECREATED

1,709 group fitness program attendees

66
personal training sessions



546 rounds of golf





POST PARTNERS

Volunteer Program Impact











VEHICLE COUNTER Summary

GATEWAY MESA OPEN SPACE

The data below is collected through TRAFx, a state-of-the-art vehicle counter collection software.

GATEWAY MESA OPEN SPACE

TOTAL MONTHLY VEHICLE TRAFFIC



Sub-zero

temps on Dec. 22 and 23 led to low visitation numbers 138

average number of vehicles per day in 2022 208

vehicles on peak visitation day, Dec. 11

RECREATION Updates

Upcoming Fitness & Nutrition Programs

GROUP FITNESS & NUTRITION OFFERINGS HELP RESIDENTS START THE YEAR OFF RIGHT

Beginning in January, the Group Fitness schedule will reflect the highest number of weekly classes since before COVID. Based on demand, the schedule will feature an increase in evening offerings, and more dance classes. View the Group Fitness schedule at CRgov.com/Fitness.

An upcoming Nutrition offering will help busy families kick the year off with tools for addressing the chaos of mealtime. Creating meals for the family can be stressful, and picky eating brings its own challenges. Based in Intuitive Eating principles, this class will help you understand your role as the parent and learn new tools to overcome many common challenges surrounding mealtime with children. Mealtime Madness will be held on Monday, Feb. 6 from 2 - 3 p.m. at the Rec Center. Learn more and register at CRgov.com/Nutrition.

One Day Sale at Recreation Facilities

FACILITY FLASH SALE EXCEEDS EXPECTATIONS

On Tuesday, Dec. 20 a 20% discount code was available for use on new personal training packages, pre-paid annual memberships and multi-visit passes at the Recreation Center and Miller Activity Complex.

The coupon code was used 310 times, an increase of 31% over 2021. The sale was advertised on the internal facility television screens as well as the online registration portal.

