



Castle Rock
**PARKS &
RECREATION**
April 2023
Monthly Report



UPCOMING

Events

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

MAY
13

GUIDED BIRDWATCHING WALK (PART 2)

8 - 10 a.m.
East Plum Creek Trail

MAY
17

BASICS OF BIRDWATCHING GUIDED HIKE (PART 3)

8 - 10 a.m.
Gateway Mesa Open Space

JUNE
2

FIRST FRIDAYS FEAT. NO LIMITS AND THE NEON NIGHT 5K

5 - 9 p.m.
Festival Park

JUNE
9

GRAND REOPENING OF BUTTERFIELD CROSSING PARK AND POSSIBILITIES PLAYGROUND

5 - 8 p.m.
Butterfield Crossing Park

JUNE
10

CLIMB4CHANGE

6:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Philip S. Miller Park trails and Challenge Hill

JUNE
15

TUNES FOR TRAILS FREE CONCERT FEAT. DIAMOND EMPIRE BAND

6:30 - 9 p.m.
The Amphitheater at Philip S. Miller Park

UPCOMING *Events*

Recurring Summer Events

Join us for the following events, recurring throughout the summer. View up-to-date information at CRgov.com/Events. For the Yoga in the Park series, Sundays at the Amphitheater at Philip S. Miller Park begin June 4 and Mondays in Festival Park begin June 5. Fitness Fridays kickoff June 2. The Festival Park Farmers Market kicks off May 28.



Yoga in the Park

Sundays 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. | The Amphitheater at Philip S. Miller Park
Mondays 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. | Festival 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.



METZLER FAMILY OPEN SPACE

- Signage was installed along the trail and at the trailhead to provide orientation to users
- Parking lot construction is nearing completion and will wrap up in May
- A grand opening event will soon be advertised to inform the public of the property's new parking access off of Maleta Lane and East Allen Street, just north of Founders Parkway



COLORADO FRONT RANGE TRAIL

- One of the project's two bridges was set and the second will soon be placed on May 17
- The general contractor continues to build trail walls, as well as prep for the construction for the low stream crossing



BUTTERFIELD PARK RENOVATION

- The roof repair work on the pool structure was completed
- Painting of the pool building and bathroom and pavilion commenced, as well as tree and shrub planting
- The new courts will be surfaced throughout May
- Sign production is underway to provide orientation, park background information and donor recognition
- A grand opening celebration will be held Friday, June 9, featuring a sensory-friendly hour for Therapeutic Recreation division participants, followed by a host of fun activities - more details to come!

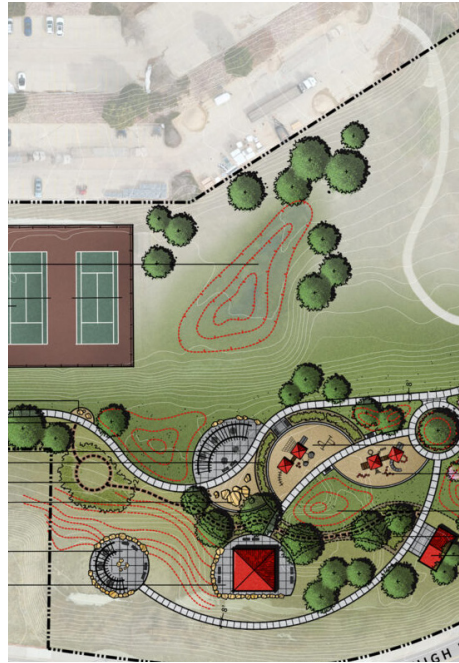
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MITCHELL GULCH PARK RENOVATION

- Work has been completed for water, stormwater and sewer utilities
- Crews are currently importing soil to prep for the construction of the tennis courts and the associated parking lot, as well as placing new irrigation



PLUM CREEK NORTH PARK

- Staff issued a request for bids from contractors to construct Plum Creek North Park
- Bids are due May 12 and staff will soon seek Town Council approval of a construction contract to commence project development later this summer

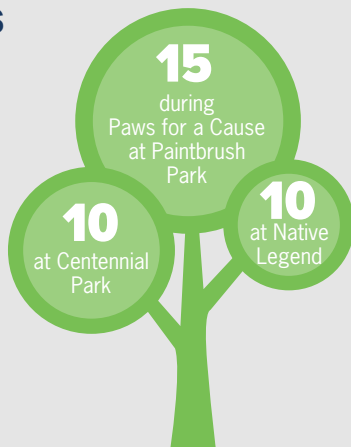
APRIL OPERATIONS

By the Numbers

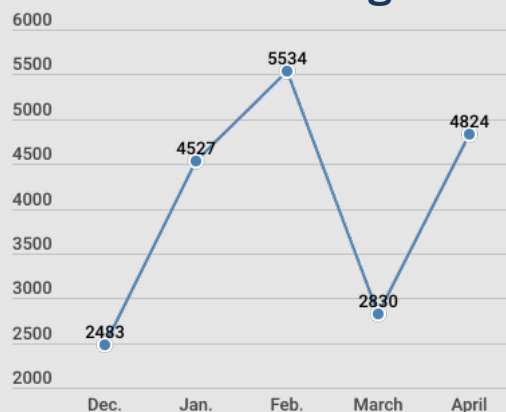
Tree Plantings

35

trees planted in April



RockREC Registrations



This data represents the number of online program registrations completed via the RockREC app or the desktop version of the site, Recreation.CRgov.com

Facilities Admission and Staffing



increase in paid admissions over April 2022 at the Miller Activity Complex



increase in paid admissions over April 2022 at the Rec Center



new summer camp staff recruited in April, partially through instant interviews

POST Partners Volunteer Program



250
volunteers



672
volunteer hours



9
events



77
trash bags collected

2023 Summer Camps

12 weeks of camps

16 summer camp offerings available

115 individual offerings for families to choose from

1,310 ENROLLEES WAITLISTED

AS OF MAY 2

Park Pavilion and Trolley Rentals

The Town Trolley is available for rent for a variety of events, including field trips, historic landmark tours, weddings, nights on the town, and special event parking transportation.

7

trolley rentals



29

pavilion rentals



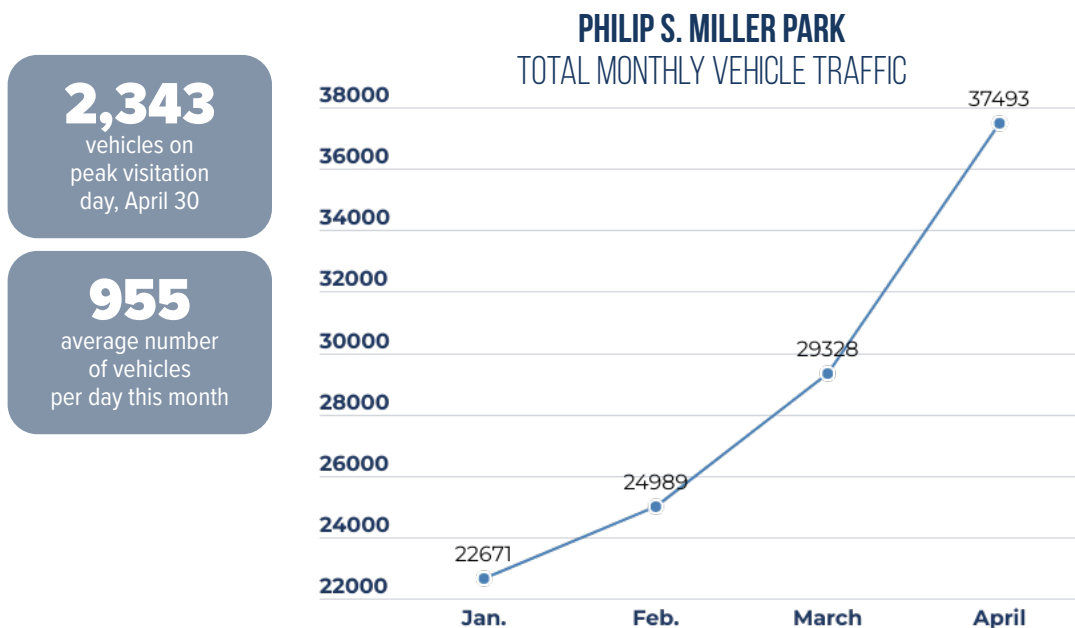
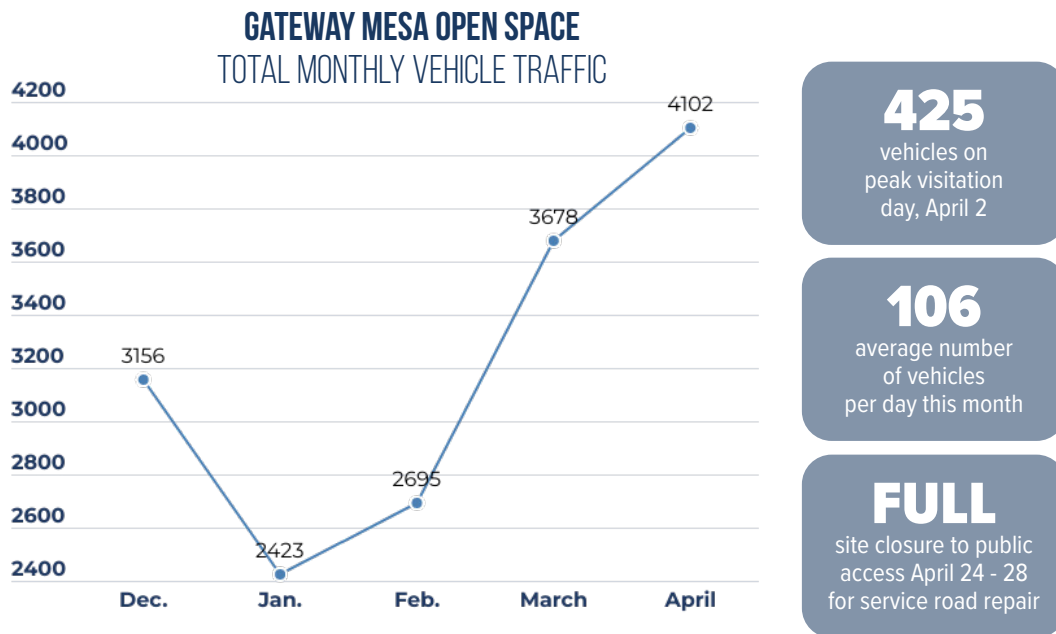
Pavilions at Town parks are also available for rent throughout the year, with the rest being available on a first-come, first-served basis. Rental numbers for both assets typically rise with warmer weather.

VEHICLE COUNTER

Summary

APRIL VISITATION DATA

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



COMMUNITY EVENTS

& Facility Rental Summary



04.28 THERAPEUTIC RECREATION SPRING DANCE

- 80 attendees, consisting of 40 guests and 40 caregivers, danced the night away in the Millhouse
- The Spring Dance was held in collaboration with the Town of Parker's Therapeutic Recreation program
- Guests shone in their favorite attire, and the Millhouse was decorated in lush greenery and flowers
- Snacks, beverages and a photo booth kept visitors busy when they needed a dancing break



ART AT THE SKATEPARK

- 23 volunteers contributed 69 hours, refreshing the faded art reliefs at the skatepark at Metzler Ranch Community Park
- The event was hosted by the Public Art Commission
- Original reliefs were commissioned by the Parks and Recreation Department when the park first opened 20 years ago
- Colorado artist Rik Sargent created the reliefs to enhance the space
- Shout out to Rik and all the volunteers for making this project successful



04.29

26 EVENTS

including 3 weddings,
2 proms, 2 corporate
meetings, 1 celebration of
life, 1 church service and 16
site visits

NEW AND NOTABLE

Updates in Parks and Recreation

TEAM WELCOMES NEW PARKS PROJECT MANAGER

Matt Roth has officially joined the Town of Castle Rock Parks and Recreation Department as the new Parks Project Manager. Matt has an extensive background in landscape architecture and planning having been an Associate for Norris Design and a Project Manager for Design Concepts. Over the past 6 years, Matt has worked on various projects in the Town including Cobblestone Ranch Park, Butterfield Crossing Park and the Montaine Development. He offers a variety of skills ranging from site design to public outreach and planning. In his free time, Matt enjoys playing flag football, hiking with his dog Bennett and planning future trips around the world. Welcome, Matt!

NEW CLASS TO CELEBRATE MOTHER'S DAY

Show mom how much she means to you with a sweet treat for Mother's Day! The Fitness and Wellness division is hosting Mother's Day Fruit Bouquet on Saturday, May 13 at the Recreation Center. Participants will create their own bouquet with a variety of cut fruits and chocolate. Register at CRgov.com/Registration.

SPECIAL EVENT SEASON GEARING UP

The Community Events division is busy preparing for summer events. Mark your calendar now to make sure you don't miss out on these fun opportunities!

- The Festival Park Farmers Market runs Sundays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. beginning May 28.
- Free Yoga in the Park is offered Sunday mornings in the Amphitheater at Philip S. Miller Park beginning June 4 and Monday evenings at Festival Park beginning June 5. View details at CRgov.com/SummerFitness.
- The Summer Concert Series, held at Philip S. Miller Park, kicks off with Rick Springfield June 22. See the full lineup at CRgov.com/Concerts.
- First Fridays, held the first Friday of the month June through August, consists of a 5K, live music, food and beverage trucks and more. Visit CRgov.com/FirstFridays for race themes and more information.



COMMUNITY

Feedback

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

Community feedback provides valuable insight as the Parks and Recreation Department strives to meet or exceed level of service standards in its programs, facilities and service offerings. Comments below include a sample of feedback collected in March and April. Help us celebrate a job well done by staff!



Great park. Lots of shaded picnic tables. The play set and swings are great for kids of all ages. There is a special needs swing which is inclusive. Lots of pickle ball courts and parking wasn't an issue.

TYLER R.

Deputy Zack S. Parrish III Memorial Park



Amazing park, kids love it. So many ways to adventure.

CODY B.

Deputy Zack S. Parrish III Memorial Park



Fun water slide and perfect for families.

ANDREW N.

Miller Activity Complex



This was an amazing first experience with basketball for my kindergartner. He loved it so much that he wants to do it again in the spring!

SURVEY RESPONDENT

Youth Winter Basketball



Nice family park with great play structures for different ages! We also like the covered area with tables and how every play area is in plain view from all angles.

MEI L.

Deputy Zack S. Parrish III Memorial Park



Marla is the bomb! She is professional, helpful, knowledgeable, and goes above and beyond. What an asset to the community!

SURVEY RESPONDENT

Adult Dance



Great local park with activities for all ages. Challenge Hill - a 200 step incline (very challenging so stair climbers beware), playground with slides/jungle gyms/swings, full turf soccer field, miles of hiking trails (with great views and possible wildlife sightings), seating for picnics, splash pad, clean restrooms, and paid activities such as zip lining, Epic Sky Trek, climbing wall. Our family comes here regularly and highly recommend to spend a few hours here exploring. Kona Ice regularly visits on the weekends, so bring a few bucks for the kiddos after a walk or workout.

HIEN L.

Philip S. Miller Park