



# 2020 Annual Report

A Year In Review.

## North Ridgeville Parks and Recreation

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# MISSION STATEMENT

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It is the objective of the City of North Ridgeville Parks and Recreation Department to provide affordable programs and services for all persons of all ages. We strive to enrich the quality of life for all residents by offering a variety of leisure activities, special events, cultural enrichment and education as well as providing opportunities for community involvement and wholesome recreational experiences.



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## MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

Mayor:	Kevin Corcoran
Safety Service Director:	Jeffry Armbruster
Council President:	Martin E. DeVries
Council At-Large:	Michelle Hung
Council At-Large:	James R. Maleski
Ward 1 Council Member:	Holly A. Swenk
Ward 2 Council Member:	Dennis Boose
Ward 3 Council Member:	Bruce F. Abens
Ward 4 Council Member:	Clifford Winkel

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## PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Chairman:	Douglas Hayes
Vice Chairman:	Jessica Shuleva
Council Liaison:	Dennis Boose
School Board Liaison:	JoAnna Timura
Active Member:	Keriann Roach

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## PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT STAFF

Parks and Recreation Director:	Kevin M. Fougrousse
Recreation Supervisor:	Brandon Sweet
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## MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

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A year that started off with so much promise and joy came to an abrupt stop in March as the State of Ohio and the Country came face-to-face with a virus known as COVID-19. North Ridgeville Parks and Recreation at that time cancelled all programming, playgrounds & pavilions caution taped off, tennis nets and basketball hoops removed, and athletic fields closed.

Our parks and trails stayed open which provided residents an outlet to exercise their mind and body until we had a better understanding of what we were dealing with and how everything was going to unfold.

As we moved into summer the State of Ohio started re-opening under establishment-based guidelines. Using these guidelines the North Ridgeville Parks and Recreation Department staff adjusted programs & facilities to provide and meet safety standards. Signage was posted on athletic fields/courts with guideline-based rules. All this was done to provide safety to our community and bring a sense of normalcy to a very chaotic year.

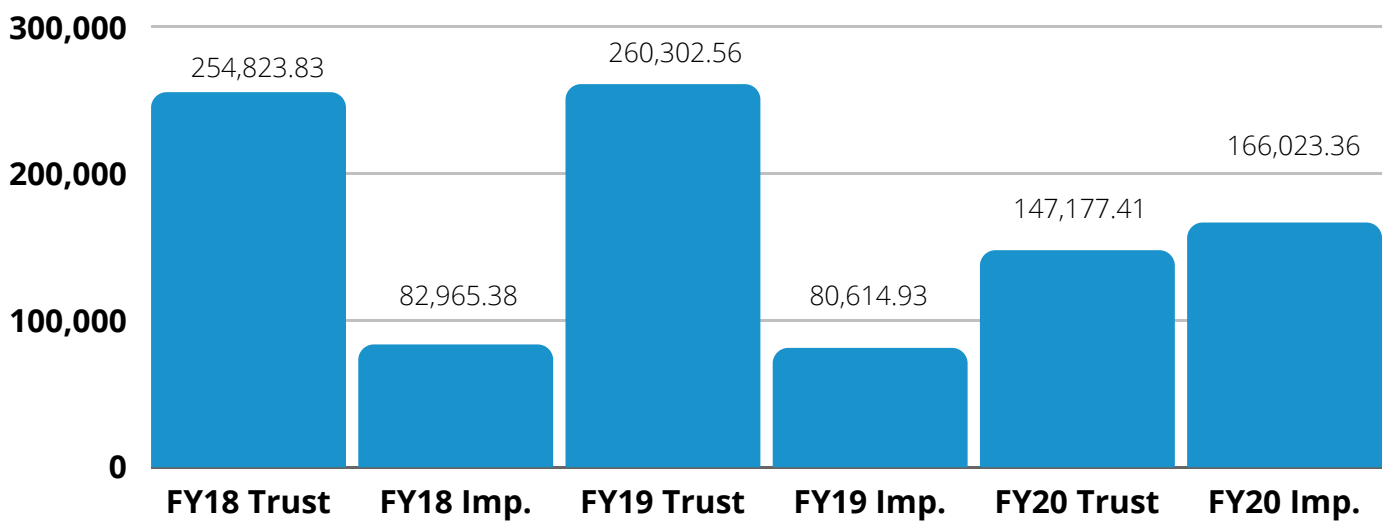
The challenges that faced us were also the challenges that drove us to succeed in a new environment. Without the support of Mayor Corcoran, SSD Jeffrey Armbruster, North Ridgeville City Council, North Ridgeville Parks and Recreation Commission and the citizens of North Ridgeville nothing would have been possible. In 2021, all your Parks and Recreation professionals will be here to help you reach your goals, discover new adventures, increase your knowledge and most of all, have FUN! Thank you for your continued support and we wish you a safe and healthy 2021.

Kevin M. Fougrousse  
Director, City of North Ridgeville Parks and Recreation

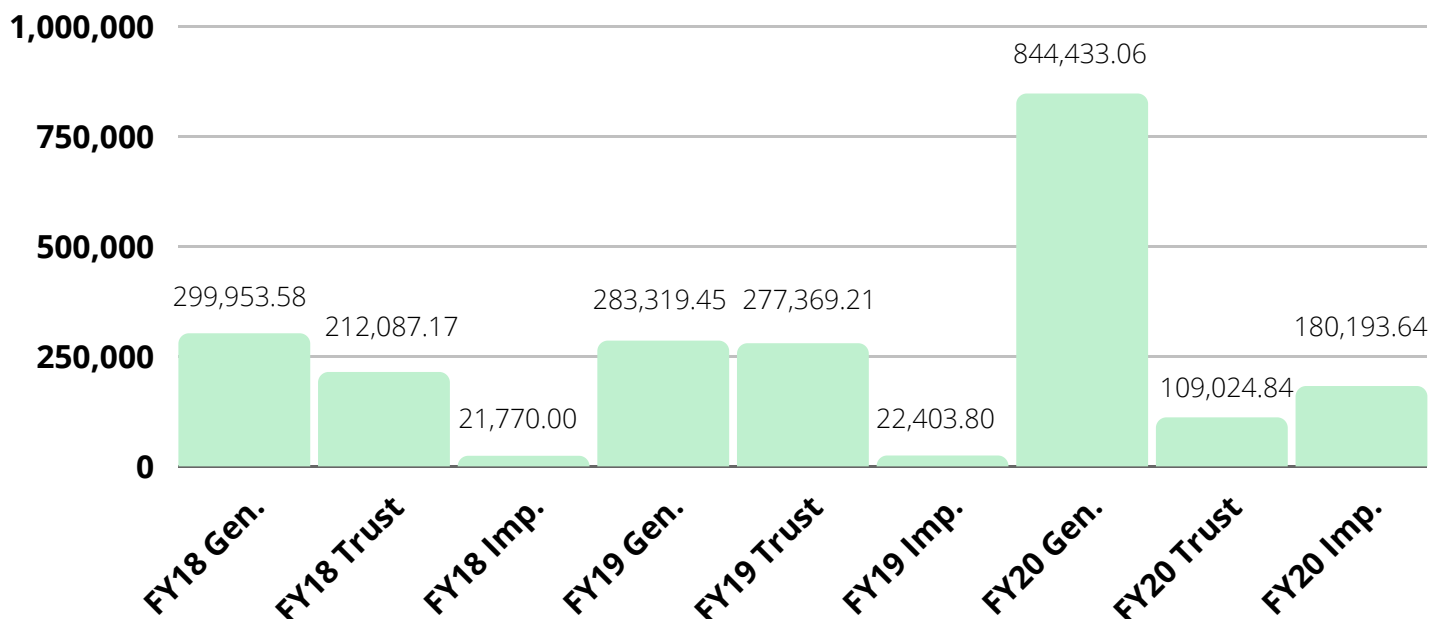
# FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

The Parks and Recreation Department operates three funds that have a direct impact on the department: General, Trust and Improvement Fund. The 2020 COVID-19 pandemic affected our Trust Fund Revenue substantially. Compared to FY19 the Trust Fund saw a 43% decrease in revenue. Improvement Fund revenue was up by 105% compared to FY19. The percentage increase was due in part because of the NatureWorks Grant reimbursement of \$67,482 and a \$15,000 donation from NR Heart & Sole Challenge. The increase of expenses that you will notice in the general fund was due to department 152 (Grounds Maintenance) being reallocated to department 185 (Parks and Recreation). Below is a 3-year financial breakdown.

## Trust & Improvement Fund Revenue



## General, Trust & Improvement Fund Expenses



# RECREATION

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In this section of our Annual Report we will provide a brief summary on Athletics, Tot & Youth Programs, Adult Education, Fitness and Special Events. We will outline the impact COVID-19 had on the Parks and Recreation Department in 2020. The data provided is from our recreation management software RecDesk.



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## ATHLETICS

The athletics division reported 474 participants. That was 64 percent decrease in participation over 2019. In 2019 athletics had 1,306 participants.

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## TOT PROGRAMS

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Tot programs had 92 participants. This was a 77 percent decrease in participation over 2019. In 2019 tot programs had 409 participants.

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## YOUTH PROGRAMS

Youth programs had 294 participants. This was a 46 percent decrease in participation over 2019. In 2019 youth programs had 546 participants.

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## ADULT EDUCATION

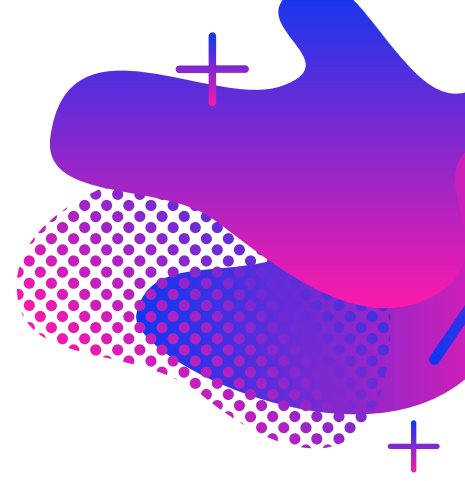
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Adult education had 30 participants. This was a 52 percent decrease in participation over 2019. In 2019 adult education had 63 participants.

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# FITNESS

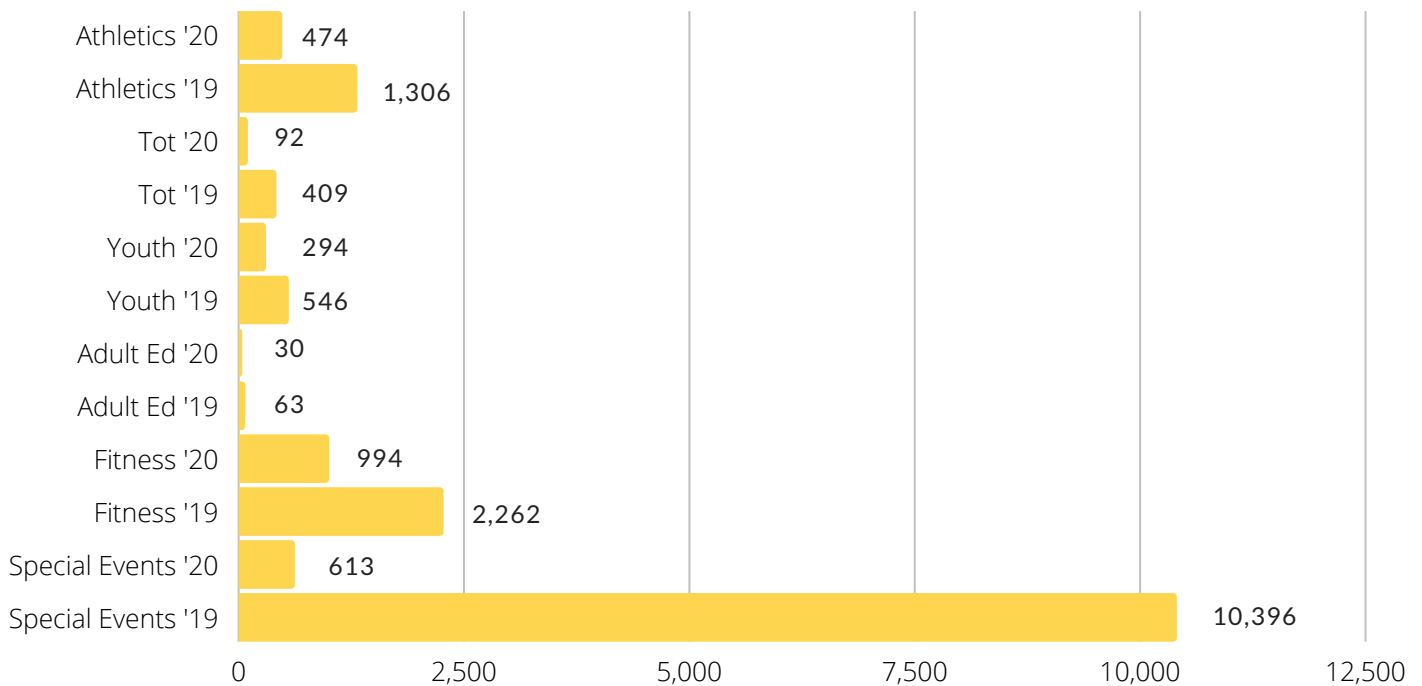
Fitness reported 994 participants. That was a 56 percent decrease in participation over 2019. In 2019 fitness programs had 2,262 participants.



# SPECIAL EVENTS

Special Events had 613 participants. That was a 94 percent decrease in participation over 2019. In 2019 special events had 10,396.

# PARTICIPATION BREAKDOWN



2020 Participation Numbers:

**2,497**

2019 Participation Numbers:

**14,982**

Overall we saw an 83 percent decrease in participation over 2019.

# COMPLETED PROJECTS

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The North Ridgeville Heart & Sole Fitness Trail was completed in June by Crossroads Asphalt. This 3/4 mile, 6 ft. wide asphalt multi-purpose trail is located at Shady Drive Complex. The Parks and Recreation Department was awarded \$67,482 through the NatureWorks Grant and another \$15,000 donated from NR Heart & Sole Challenge. Total project cost was \$144,553.63. The project was paid out of department 280 (Park and Recreation Improvement Fund).



The Splash Pad in South Central Park received a much needed face lift this past spring. Originally installed in 2007 the features were showing their wear. With the help of Vortex International we were able to add 8 new features at a cost of \$35,640. The new features were paid out of department 280 (Park and Recreation Improvement Fund).



# COMMUNITY PARTNERS

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Thank you to the businesses large and small in North Ridgeville that help keep NRPRD programs and community events active and growing. Sponsorship dollars are used to help fund equipment and uniforms along with keeping our registration fees low. Sponsors have also been a large part of helping with supplies, food and materials for our community events. Thank you to the 40 plus businesses or organizations that supported us in 2020.



Alex Sismour Memorial Fund  
Angelina's Pizza  
Arby's North Ridgeville  
Center Cleaning Services  
Costin + Kendall CPAs  
Dariview  
DNS Technologies  
Dollar Bank  
Dr. Casey O'Connor Orthodontics  
Dunkin'  
Elyria Moose Lodge 778  
Foundry Kitchen & Bar  
General Services Co., Inc  
Harvest Ridge Church  
J Arhar Agency - Farmers Insurance  
C Auto Body, Inc.  
Kalt Manufacturing  
Kitchen Works  
Legacy Waste & Recycling  
Linden Farm

Lions Club of North Ridgeville  
Lorain County Community College  
Master Pizza  
Maximize Fitness  
Maximum Graphix  
Mayor Kevin Corcoran  
North Ridgeville Corn Festival  
North Coast Eye Care  
North Ridgeville Convenient Sunoco  
North Ridgeville Corn Festival  
North Ridgeville DQ  
North Ridgeville Family Dentistry  
North Ridgeville Police Association  
O'Neill Healthcare  
Sportsville  
Subway  
Westside Community Church  
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