

2024



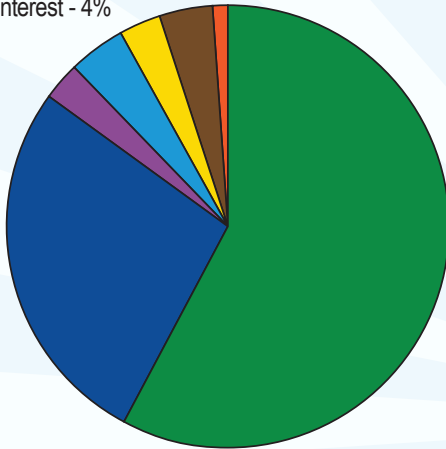
ANNUAL REVIEW

Data compiled from the 2024 Financial Audit
and End-of-Year Facility Reports

The St. Charles Park District continued its mission of enriching your quality of life through numerous accomplishments in providing excellence in programs, parks, facilities and services.

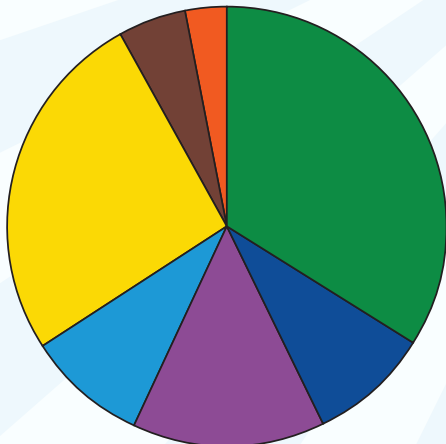
REVENUES

- Taxes - 58%
- Charges for Service - 27%
- Rentals - 3%
- Interest - 4%
- Sponsorships, Land Cash & Donations - 3%
- Grants - 4%
- Miscellaneous - 1%



EXPENDITURES

- Salaries & Wages - 34%
- Debt Service - 9%
- Contractual Services - 14%
- Employee Benefits - 9%
- Capital - 26%
- Supplies & Equipment - 5%
- Utilities - 3%



PARTNERSHIPS

Cash Contributions	\$95,988
Inkind Donations Value	\$23,280

FINANCIAL AID

Total Awarded	\$60,666
Participants Served	293



MATCHING GRANTS

- Awarded matching grant of \$750,000 from the Illinois Public Museum Grant Program, administered by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and the Rebuild Illinois capital program for the construction of the Education Center at **Primrose Farm**, opened in September 2024.
- Awarded matching grant of \$600,000 from the Open Space Lands Acquisition & Development, administered by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources for the redevelopment of **Primrose Farm Park**. Project to be completed in 2025.

SUPPORTING TAX DOLLARS



- School District 303 - 65.3%
- City of St. Charles - 10.3%
- St. Charles Park District - 7.9%
- Elgin Community College - 5.3%
- Kane County - 3.9%
- St. Charles Public Library - 3.9%
- Kane County Forest Preserve - 1.9%
- St. Charles Township - 1.6%

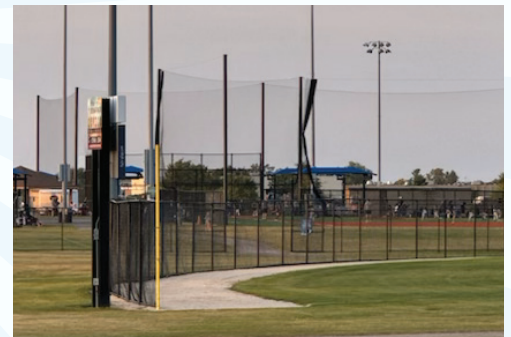
CAPITAL PROJECTS

Completed

- Redesigned **Hickory Knolls Discovery Center's** guest services station, reconfigured rental space to allow for access to outdoor patio, and expanded early childhood programming to include nature-based preschool



- Renovated playground at **Langum Park**
- Completed construction of a new Education Center at **Primrose Farm**
- Developed the **John S. Baird Plaza at Davis Park** with half basketball court and game tables



Commenced

- **East Side Sports Complex** - netting around ballfields and a new concession building with kitchen, covered patio and flushable restrooms
- **Fox Chase Park** - additional trails, shade structure, basketball court, sand volleyball court and spinner/climber amenity added to existing playground
- **Otter Cove Splash Park** - interactive water features, sprayers, bubblers, cascading waterfalls; sand/water play unit with pulleys, levers, tables & more; play structure with mini waterslide; playground with swings; expanded shade & seating areas; resurfaced pods with upgraded landscaping
- **Primrose Farm Park** - pickleball courts with shaded spectator seating, game tables, adult ninja course, baseball field improvements, enhanced path connections and parking lot expansion

RECREATION

Total Programs	2,319
Total Participants	32,666

Top 5 Programs by Participation

Summer Camps	6,110
Events & Specialty Programs	4,743
Sports	3,434
Skills & Hobbies	2,326
Dance	1,509

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Estimated Attendance	50,000+
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-Sculpture in the Park	-Pickle Paradise
-Easter Egg Hunt	-Acoustic Jams
-Concerts in the Park	-Gallery of Ghoulies
-July 4th Fireworks	Homes Tour
-Night Kite Fly	-Big Truck Show

FACILITY USAGE

Aquatics

Otter Cove Aquatic Park & Swanson Pool

Daily Admissions	80,934
Season Pass Scans	68,019

Norris Recreation Center

Total User Scans	111,113
Total Members	3,771

Paddlewheel Riverboats

Total Passengers	9,577
Public Cruises	202
Private Charters	96

Pottawatomie Golf Course

Total Rounds Played	36,765
Season Passes	262
Simulator Hours	380

River View Miniature Golf

Total Rounds Played	21,92
Boat Rentals	1,210

Sportsplex/Athletics

Tournament Participants	9,560
Sports League Players	1,270
Reservations & Party Hours	1,649

Primrose Farm

Total Participants	2,479
Students & Scouts Served	1,624

Hickory Knolls Discovery Center

Total Participants	1,757
Students & Scouts Served	2,622

EMPLOYEES

Full Time	81
Part Time	295
Seasonal	553



VOLUNTEERS

Total People	139
Total Hours	2,654
Offset Expenses	\$88,882

- Alaina Zocher named Volunteer of the Year for 150+ hours of service
- Nature volunteers and staff propagated and planted 25,925 native plants in natural areas saving the District \$51,850 in plant material
- In cooperation with the Kane County Forest Preserve Seed Collecting program, volunteers collected 233.2 lbs of native seed, a saved value of \$32,880.31, to use in local restoration projects



AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- Norris Woods Nature Preserve inducted into the National Old-Growth Forest Network as 5th site in Illinois
- Level II Accreditation for Mt. St. Mary Park's Arboretum by ArbNet Arboretum Accreditation Program and The Morton Arboretum
- Illinois Association of Park District Recognized Commissioner Bob Thomson for 25 Years of Service



- IAPD's Best of the Best Art in the Park Award for Sculpture in the Park
- Received St. Charles Chamber of Commerce Civic Image Award for the renovation of Kehoe Park
- Excellence in Financial Award Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association
- Kane County Reader's Choice Awards: The Best Summer Fun Park District - St. Charles Park District; One of the Best Family Recreation - St. Charles Park District; One of the Best Golf Courses - Pottawatomie Golf Course; Finest Golf Course in Kane County - Pottawatomie Golf Course

ENRICHING YOUR LIFE!

12 public facilities *golf, aquatics, minigolf, nature & farm education, health & wellness, indoor turf fields & more*

20+ miles of biking & walking trails

25+ unique amenities *dog parks, disc golf, skate parks, sculptures, paddlewheel riverboats, bocce ball, baggo & more*

30+ playgrounds

40+ sport courts *tennis, pickleball, basketball, sand volleyball & more*

64 athletic fields *baseball/softball, soccer, lacrosse & football*

66 park sites & natural areas

1,517 acres of park & open land space

1 Million+ park & facility visitors

∞ fun activities & events all year long

