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# GOOD THINGS ARE HAPPENING!

ANNUAL REPORT 2015-2016



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# OUR MISSION

The Department of Recreation and Parks **enhances the quality of life in Los Angeles** by providing attractive, safe and well-maintained parks with diverse recreational opportunities to serve and enrich our community.

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## LETTER FROM

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# GENERAL MANAGER MICHAEL A. SHULL



**:: I am pleased to present the Department of Recreation and Parks Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2015-2016.** During this Fiscal Year, we have achieved many new accomplishments, reached new milestones, and faced new challenges. We worked hard to ensure that new open green spaces continued to be developed and that an array of diverse recreational programs to serve youth, adults, and seniors continued to be offered in our communities.

We are principally responsible for the maintenance and operation of 312 athletic fields, 387 children's play areas, including 36 universally accessible playgrounds, 321 tennis courts, 184 recreation centers, 64 fitness areas, 62 swimming pools, 1 senior centers, 25 skate parks, 13 golf courses, 12 museums, and nine dog parks. We also support the City's urban wilderness by maintaining over 300,000 park trees, 13 lakes and 92 miles of hiking trails. In addition, the Department oversees Griffith Park, one of the largest urban parks in North America, and a number of iconic venues and landmarks such as the Griffith Observatory, the Greek Theatre, the Hollywood Sign and Venice Beach, which continue to attract millions of visitors from around the world.

This report would not be complete without recognizing all of our employees and partners and their contributions that helped us reach our goals in 2015-2016. Our ability to meet the growing needs for our programs, and park access in general will continue to depend upon the dedicated work of our 1,400 full-time and 5,000 part-time/seasonal employees, 35,000 registered volunteers, and our amazing partners and community-based organizations.

We are proud of our recent accomplishments and look forward to meeting new goals and refocusing on our mission through the guidance of our Strategic Plan to achieve new successes in future years. The Los Angeles Recreation and Parks Department is one of the largest and most dynamic park systems in the world and our staff is extremely proud of the work we do to serve the entire Los Angeles community and the millions who visit our great City each year.

# WHO WE ARE



35,000

Registered Volunteers



1.1 million

Hours of Park Use Per Week



16,152

Acres of Parkland



212,000+

Free Summer Lunch  
Meals Served



423

Children's Play Areas



1.2 million+

Visits to 62 Swimming Pools



92

Miles of Hiking Trails



1.5 million

Sports Program  
Participants Annually



321

Tennis Courts

# PARK PROUD LA

**:: RAP is proud to be** one of the City's most comprehensive social service providers, offering an array of diverse and interesting recreational, educational, and cultural programs that serve youth, adults, and seniors. Our ability to meet the growing needs for these programs, and park access in general, will continue to depend on the dedicated work of our 1,400 full-time and 5,000 part-time/seasonal employees, 35,000 registered volunteers, and our amazing park partners and community based organizations. RAP is a critical component in improving the quality of life in Los Angeles and making the City such a great global destination.



**Aquatics**



**Construction**



**Emergency Preparedness**



**Golf**



**Human Resources**



**Maintenance**



**Park Rangers**



**Park Services**



**Partnerships**



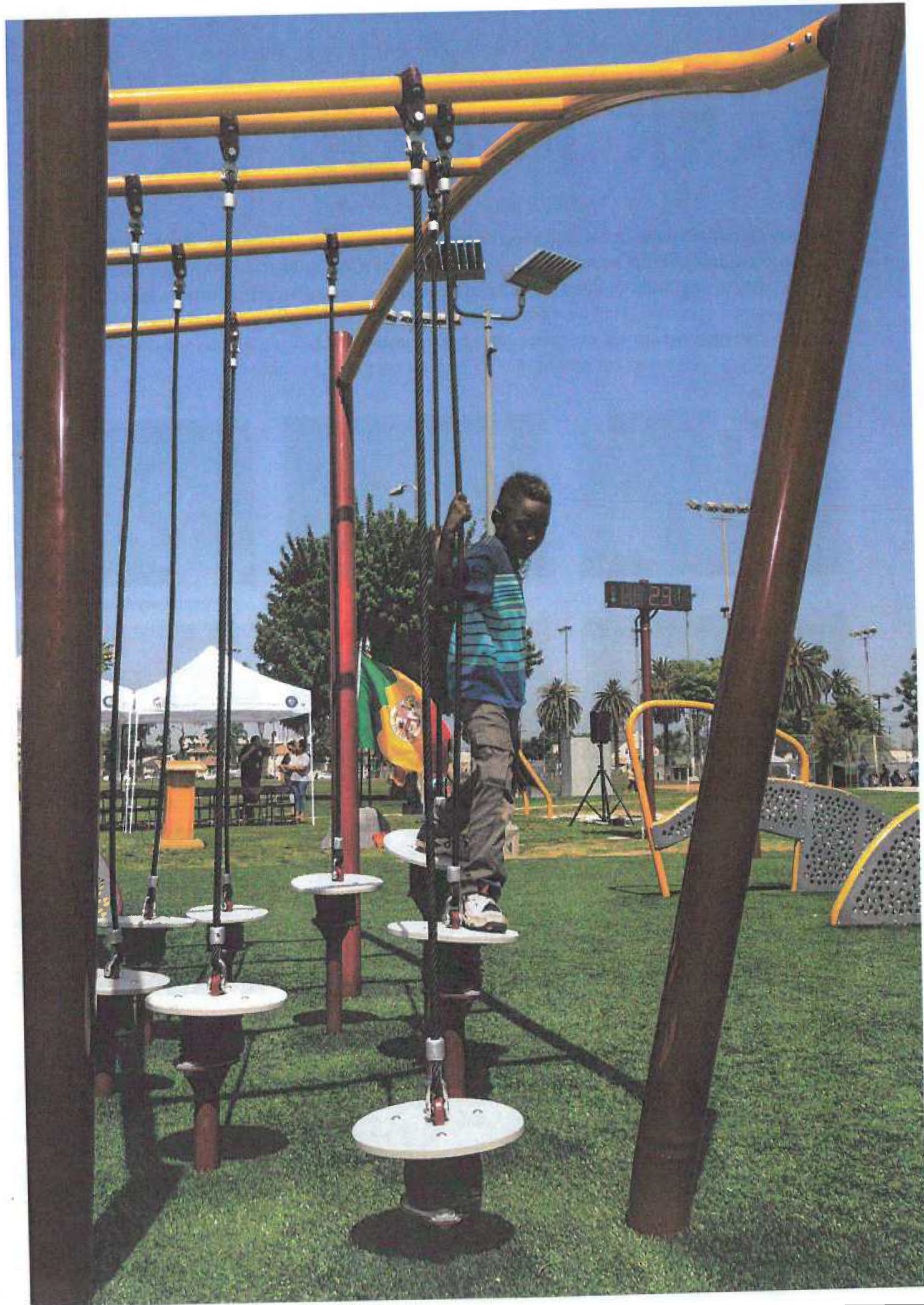
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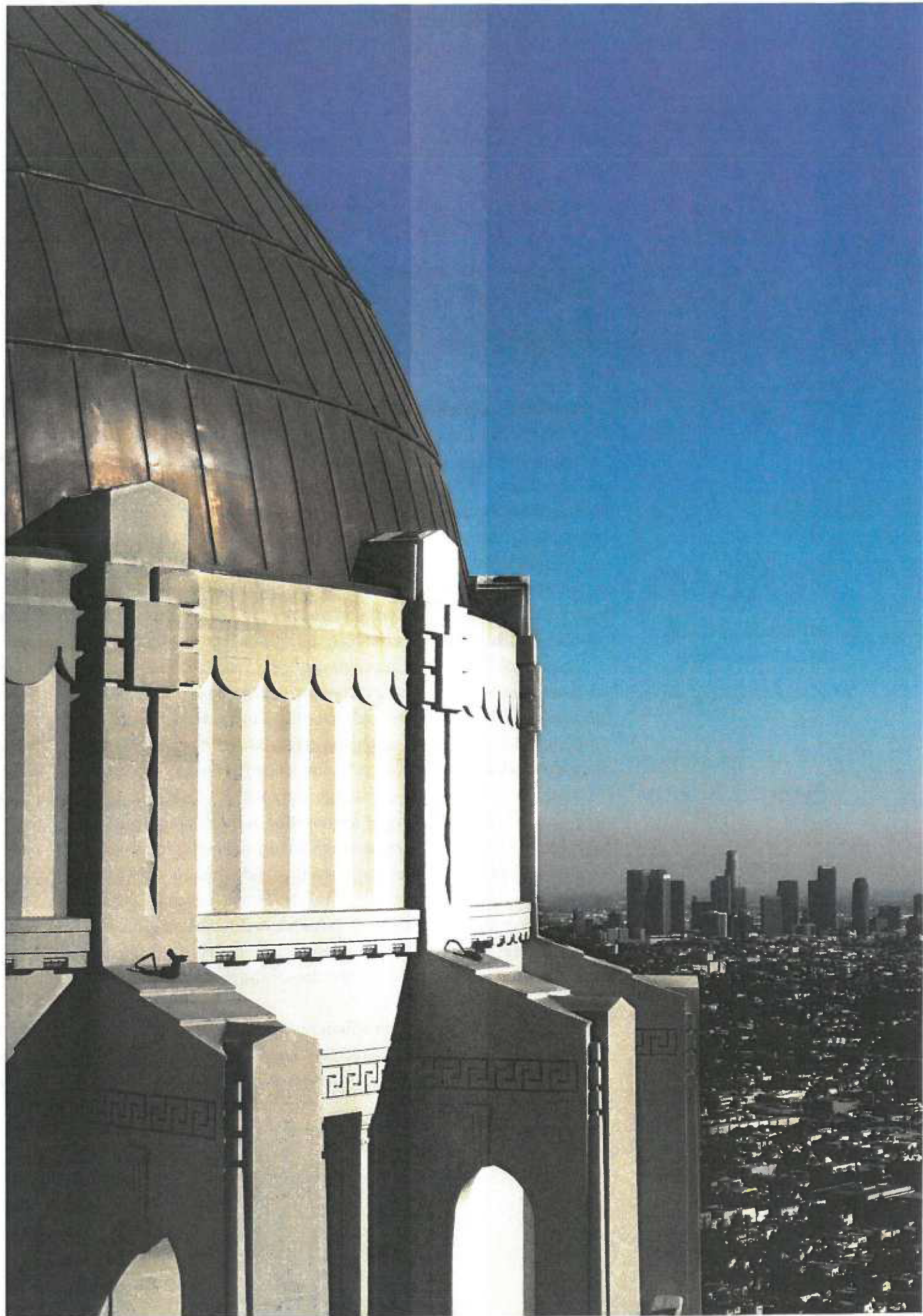


**Recreation**



**Volunteers**





# LOS ANGELES PARKS FOUNDATION

18  
million

Raised to support the  
Department's needs

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37

New neighborhood parks  
built under the 50 Parks  
Initiative Program

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**:: The Los Angeles Parks Foundation** was established in 2008 to raise private funds to enhance, expand, preserve and promote recreation and parks for the people of Los Angeles. LAPF is a not for profit organization that works with RAP to raise revenue for foundation programs including Friends of the Parks, Donate-A-Bench and Adopt-A-Park. Since its inception, LAPF has raised more than \$18 million to support department needs that cannot be met through municipal funds.

As a RAP partner, LAPF was instrumental in spearheading the 50 Parks Initiative to identify abandoned properties that are being turned into walkable, neighborhood parks in densely populated areas of our city, create new parks, build a Splash Pad in the San Fernando Valley and restore and maintain an abandoned orange grove.

During 2015/2016 the Foundation partnered with USC on major refurbishment to Hazard Recreation Center and engaged with multiple partners to raise funds for conversion of 4 youth soccer fields to artificial turf at Ferraro Fields in Griffith Park. LAPF looks forward to the completion in Fall, 2016 of a new state-of-the-art Arche Range at Cheviot Hills Recreation Center funded by Easton Sports Foundation.

In addition to capital projects large and small, LA Parks Foundation made grant to the department for a complete renovation of their data delivery system that will allow for online park program registration and better tracking of park needs throughout the city. Another major grant provided support to RAP to engage in a strategic planning process and to develop a Strategic Plan for 2016-2020.

The future of our city parks will be enhanced in the years ahead as LAPF and RAP work together to repurpose a former nursery in Griffith Park as an urban environmental center to educate and demonstrate our regional ecology and conservation best practices.

The Los Angeles Parks Foundation is proud to support the dedicated Recreation and Park employees serving to improve the quality of life for all Los Angelenos who depend upon their local park for recreation, socialization and communal gathering.

# CITYWIDE PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES

The City of Los Angeles is the second largest City in the United States, with a population of approximately 4 million people. To accommodate LA City's residents, **the Department of Recreation and Parks offers a wide variety of programs and activities** designed to meet the recreational and social needs of both residents and visitors.

# PROGRAMS

## Aquatics

The Aquatics Division operates 39 seasonal pools, 16 year-round pools, 3 camp pools, and 3 LAUSD pools. In addition, the city operates 11 open water facilities. In 2015/2016, 1.2 million youth and adults visited our pools for recreational swim.

## Camps

Camps are a core program of the Department, and run during spring at 184 of LA City's recreation centers. Camps offer sports and recreational activities, aquatics, youth development, adventure field trips and much more.

## Municipal Sports

The Municipal Sports section is responsible for the formation, administration, and implementation of City run sports leagues as well as the permitting, monitoring, and oversight of independent adult and youth league organizations. In 2015/2016, the Municipal Sports section permitted sports fields to 29,578 youth and 27,811 adults for a total of 57,389 participants citywide in seven different sport activities: baseball, basketball, flag football, soccer, softball, tennis and volleyball. Of the 57,389 youth participants, 28% were female.

## CLASS Parks

Clean and Safe Spaces (CLASS Parks) program provides safe and supervised afterschool and weekend enrichment programs for youth ages 11 to 17. CLASS Parks exist at 33 facilities and in 2015 offered classes and activities such as cooking, drawing, sports and movies nights. In 2015/2016, CLASS Parks has served over 10,000 participants to date.



Aquatics



CLASS Parks



Summer Night Lights





Girls Play LA

### **Girls Play LA (GPLA)**

Girls Play LA is designed to increase girls' participation in sports citywide. Girls ages 6-15 participate in a variety of youth sports programs citywide. In FY 2015/2016, GPLA included participation from 49 sites, in various sports including softball, basketball, and volleyball, with a total of 438 teams and 5,178 participants.

### **L.A. Kids**

L.A. KIDS provides FREE recreational opportunities for our City's youth ages 5-18 at 33 recreation centers in underserved communities. This program provides young people a level playing field with equal access to quality recreation and educational programming. In FY 2015/2016, 120,000 youth participated in our LA Kids Sports Academy and year-round afterschool program.

### **Summer Lunch Program**

The Department's summer lunch program has been in existence since 1976 and provides free nutritious lunches to youth ages 1 through 18 at over 100 recreation centers citywide. Over the summer of 2015, 192,909 lunches were served to our LA City's youth.

### **Senior Programs**

The Department operates 32 senior citizen center citywide offering a wide range of classes, activities and services. In 2015, the annual 90+ Luncheon served more than 400 guests including approximately 230 guests in the 90+ age range and 12 guests in the 100+ age range. In 2016, the Federation Club membership reached a total of 96 clubs with 9,922 members citywide.

### **Summer Night Lights**

Summer Night Lights is a youth development program in partnership with the Mayor Eric Garcetti that the Department offers to assist the City in meeting challenges related to reducing gang activity in Gang Reduction and Youth Development Zones. In the summer of 2015, over 720,000 community members took advantage of the SNL program offered at 34 sites. In addition, 452,192 total meals were served, 9,642 youth and adults participated in the sports programming, and citywide employment through the program totaled 1,017.



# THE GREEK THEATRE

313,384

Number of Greek Theatre  
attendees since 2015

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**:: Located within Griffith Park**, the historic Greek Theatre stands as one of the nation's most beloved and recognized outdoor entertainment venues. In 2015, the City of Los Angeles - through Department of Recreation and Parks - began self-operation of the Greek as an open venue, allowing artists, promoters, and the public to book acts directly with the City to provide Angelenos with continued world-class musical entertainment, public and professional performances.

The Department of Recreation and Parks executed a \$2.8 million dollar renovation project at the Greek Theatre. Renovations included refreshing the venue both inside and out by creating a new entrance with signage in front of the facility, creating an open plaza for pre-performance picnicking, modernizing the theatre dressing rooms, venue lighting, offices and other work areas, and adding drought resistant landscaping. The work completed at the Greek Theatre helped to beautify this iconic venue and preserve the structure's historic look and architecture.

Since the launch of the 2016 season at the Greek Theatre, there have been 73 performances from a wide variety of artists from every genre of music with 73 concerts scheduled this season.



# INNOVATION

## **Penmar Park South**

Improvements to include new soil, re-graded, re-landscaped, and re-irrigated water-wise systems designed to prevent any potential pollutants from entering the watershed.

## **Penmar Park (50 Parks Initiative)**

Formerly a gas station, this new site will include paths, seating areas, a maze labyrinth, low water use trees and shrubs, and smart irrigation system.

## **Aliso Creek Confluence Park**

Development of 2-acre park with drought-tolerant plantings, a bio-swale, demonstration garden, and accessible walkways.

## **Penmar Park Water Quality**

Improvements to include a treatment system, consisting of a disinfection system and filters, housed in a 13' x 31' treatment building. 1,200 linear feet of treated water piping will be constructed to connect to existing park and golf course irrigation systems. This project will benefit the use of capturing storm water for landscape irrigation at the Penmar Golf Course, Penmar Park, and City of Santa Monica's Marine Park.

## **Whitsett Recreation Center**

Renovation of the existing children's play area, installation of new outdoor fitness equipment, two new picnic areas, paths and walkways, landscaping and irrigation improvements.

## **Whitsett Fields Park**

Renovation of 1 existing large (full-size) soccer field and 2 existing small soccer fields into synthetic turf fields, installing empty conduits for future lighting, expanding the existing parking lot to include 43 additional spaces. New bleachers with shade structures, seating, landscaping, irrigation, and walkways.



Penmar Park Water Quality



Aliso Creek



Whitsett Fields Park

**Vermont Square Park**

New custom-designed playground, refurbished basketball court, fitness equipment, picnic tables, and drinking fountains.

**Sepulveda Recreation Center**

Newly designed universally accessible playground including 0-5 year old and 5-12 year old play areas with a trains and planes theme.

**Westchester Recreation Center**

Improvements to walkways and planter areas adjacent to the tennis courts and skate park, fencing and signage improvements at the multipurpose fields, upgrades to existing park lighting and lighting control system, and installation of new batting cages.

**Westwood Gardens**

New playground with shade structure, fitness equipment, game tables, security lighting and camera, and new landscaping with drought-tolerant plants.

## SOCCER FIELDS

**Ferraro Fields**

Installation of a new 26-acre synthetic multi-soccer complex, one of the largest in the City.

**Ross Snyder Recreation Center**

New synthetic soccer field.

**South Park**

New synthetic soccer field.

**Van Nuys Sherman Oaks Park**

Three new synthetic turf soccer fields, lights, fence, bleachers, drinking fountains, sitting areas with benches, and an accessible concrete walking path.



South Park

### **Hollywood Pool**

newly designed 9,600 sq. ft. accessible pool with 100,000 gallon water tank, integrated splash area, water slide, pool deck, energy efficient pool equipment, bleachers, shade canopies, and a family changing area.

### **Jackie Tatum/Harvard Recreation Center**

newly installed universally accessible playground with resilient surfacing, new fencing, and landscaping improvements. Installation of Youth Challenge Course features 11 challenges including ninja steps, climbing boards, and a vault wall.

### **Lincoln N. Shaw Park**

newly installed custom-designed playground with resilient surfacing, fitness equipment, picnic tables, smart irrigation landscaping, fencing, and a walking path around the perimeter of the park.

### **Lincoln J. Ranch Park**

newly installed accessible playground equipment with resilient surfacing safety surfacing and shade canopies.

### **Lincoln Arthur Park**

newly installed beautifully designed landscape entry way into park at 7th & Alvarado including new paving, park benches, lighting, steps, and terraced seating that overlook the lake and park.

### **Lincoln Tecito Heights Recreation Center**

newly installed aesthetically pleasing playground that features the IONiX™ play system and promotes active and imaginative play. First of its kind in Los Angeles.

### **Lincoln Hollywood Recreation Center**

newly installed playground equipment with six shade sail canopies and surfacing that replaced a small, aging play structure set in a very large and underutilized sand pit.

### **Lincoln Recreation Center**

newly installed features include 6 pieces of outdoor fitness equipment.



Hollywood Pool



Jackie Tatum/Harvard Recreation Center

### **Plaza de la Raza at Lincoln Park**

Newly designed sustainable parking lot with decorative panels, new landscaping, irrigation, lighting, seating area with benches, and bike racks.

### **Pershing Square Playground**

Added features include 2 beautiful, bright-colored innovative play areas, new seating area, landscaping, and installation of new Chinese Pistache trees.

### **Slauson Recreation Center**

Custom-designed clubhouse style playground with rock climbing, resilient surfacing, slides, safety rails, swings, landscaping, and benches.

# PARK IMPROVEMENTS

## **Baldwin Hills Recreation Center**

Newly designed Universally Accessible Dodgers Dreamfield with modern efficient LED field lighting and oversized dugouts with roof for shade protection. Project in partnership with LA Dodgers Foundation and LA84.

## **Central Recreation Center Pool**

Newly designed 45' x 140' swimming pool with an upgraded pump system, children water play features, perimeter wall fencing with seating, shade towers, and renovation of existing bathhouse.

## **Costello Recreation Center**

Renovation of 2 baseball diamonds, installation of new shade structures, bleachers with new concrete pad, new picnic shelter, dugout and benches.

## **El Paseo de Cahuenga Park**

New formal entry garden with drought-tolerant plants and landscaping, picnic tables, benches, shade tree, improved walkways and surface areas, water-efficient irrigation systems, security lighting and newly built stucco buffer wall to reduce freeway noise. Project in partnership with NBC Universal.

## **Hazard Park**

New children's play area, refurbishment of existing gymnasium, restrooms, and outdoor basketball courts. Installation of a new jogging path, fitness equipment and security upgrades.

## **Hollenbeck Recreation Center**

New lake-themed play equipment with kid-safe rubber surface, specially designed three-dimensional climbing apparatus, and a "mommy-and-me" swing for toddlers.



Baldwin Hills Recreation Center



Bellevue Recreation Center



El Paseo de Cahuenga Park

# NEW PARKS

## **h Place Park**

orful rainbow-themed playground, fitness  
ipment, drought-tolerant landscaping, and fencing  
1 security lighting and cameras.

## **lton Way Park**

saic-themed playground, picnic tables, porch  
rgs, fitness equipment, lighting, and drought-  
rant trees and shrubs.

## **ar Chavez Recreation Complex (aka Sheldon/Arleta)**

æ soccer fields, one baseball field, drought-  
rant landscaping, irrigation, parking, drinking  
tain, LCD lighting, and security cameras.

## **taniso Fire Station 84 Park**

station-themed children's playground, picnic  
es, drought-tolerant landscaping, shade  
ctures, and a Wi-Fi zone.

## **ress Park Clubhouse**

orical and cultural monument, formerly the  
iard Henry Dana Branch Library, was transformed  
multipurpose recreation centers upgrades  
uding: ADA compliant restrooms and recreation  
ce, new lighting fixtures, hazardous materials  
gation, security and fire alarm, new roof, and  
trical systems upgrade.



Vermont-Gage Park

## **Greenwood Square Park**

Playground, walking path, landscaping, benches, trash  
receptacles, and drinking fountain.

## **Oro Vista Park**

Newly landscaped park with native plants,  
demonstration garden, smart irrigation, picnic tables,  
equestrian trails and trail staging area with permeable  
surface parking for cars and horse trailers.

## **Patton Street Park**

Custom built, ocean-themed children's play area,  
fitness equipment, picnic seating areas, energy-  
efficient lighting, auto-locking gate, native and  
drought-tolerant plants, and high-efficiency irrigation  
system.

## **Vermont-Gage Park**

Universally accessible, castle-themed playground with  
a walking path, fencing, drought-tolerant landscaping,  
benches, and lighting built on a previously vacant lot.

# 66 million

vested in Citywide Park Projects

# ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The City of Los Angeles, Department of Recreation and Parks has made many strides during 2015-2016. Within these strides, many accomplishments were made. We invested **\$66 million in our park system** including \$20 million in South Los Angeles, opened **9 new parks**, completed over **180 park improvement projects**, and broke ground on **6 new capital improvement projects**, ensuring our community needs are met.

# PARTNERSHIPS

**The Department of Recreation and Parks has created powerful partnerships** that have helped provide free swim lessons, soccer fields, baseball fields, affordable programs, innovative playgrounds, sports leagues, and so much more. **The Department maintains existing partnerships while creating and nurturing new collaborations.**



Ruth Phelps Trust



### 7 Eleven

In 2016, 7-Eleven, Inc. and select Franchisees made product donations consisting of Halloween themed candy and decorations, that benefitted seniors and youth at over 50 recreation and senior centers. On July 11, 2015, 7-Eleven sponsored "7-11 Day" through a cash donation of \$25,000.00, which allowed over 10,000 youth to swim for free at 47 RAP pools.

### The Friends of EXPO Center

The Friends of EXPO Center was established in 1998 to build EXPO Center (EXPO), a 6-acre recreational and educational complex developed through a private/public partnership on the site of the 1932 Los Angeles Olympics Swim Stadium. The Friends of EXPO Center (The Friends), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, now provides strategic and financial support to sustain EXPO, a flagship facility of the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks, serving economically disadvantaged residents of South Los Angeles. In 2015, the Friends raised \$725,000.

### Friends of Cabrillo Marine Aquarium (FCMA)

The FCMA is a non-profit organization that supports the mission of Cabrillo Marine Aquarium by providing financial contributions, organizing volunteers and community groups, and administering a membership program.

### Friends of the Observatory (FOTO)

FOTO is a non-profit, membership-based organization, whose role is to support Griffith Observatory and its mission of being a vital community and international centerpiece of learning, discovery, and inspiration about astronomy. Over the years, with support from its volunteer Board and thousands of members, FOTO provided funds for purchase of equipment, artifacts, materials, and services not covered by the annual City operating funds.



Ocean Front Walk at Venice Beach

### **The Friends of West L.A.**

The Friends of West L.A. (FOWLA) is a 501C(3) non-profit organization dedicated to supporting West L.A. schools, parks, libraries, police and firefighters. In 2015-16, FOWLA provided RAP with contributions totaling approximately \$61,569. Through a donation to the Los Angeles Parks Foundation (LAPF) in the amount of \$52,315, FOWLA funded the purchase and installation of a new outdoor Fitness Zone at Palms Recreation Center. To promote cultural diversity, FOWLA also provided a donation valued at approximately \$9,254 for continued support of the annual Martin Luther King Dream Games event at Westwood Recreation Center, in which 11 recreation centers participated.

### **Hanwha Techwin, Inc.**

Hanwha Techwin, Inc., practices neighborliness based on the Hanwha spirit of "Trust and Loyalty" and their social contribution philosophy of "Going further together". Based on that motto, they support CCTVs in crime-ridden districts, social assistance facilities and schools, using their signature products and technologies. In FY 2015-16, Hanwha made a donation through the Los Angeles Police Foundation, consisting

of 20 fixed, 360-degree and pan-tilt-zoom camera valued at \$50,000 for installation at various locations near and along Ocean Front Walk at Venice Beach.

### **Operation Splash**

Operation Splash is a free program that teaches children and adults in low income areas how to swim. In the FY 2015-2016, Kaiser Permanente provided grant funding in the amount of \$240,000, which provided swim lessons for 6,000 youth and adults, well as training for 780 Jr. Lifeguards citywide.

### **LA84**

LA84 has been partners with RAP for over 30 years. We share the same vision of providing recreational opportunities that will foster healthy lifestyles. In 2015/2016, LA84 provided funding for 700 swim lessons at 13 facilities and 1,300 team sport sponsorships at 48 sites. In addition, LA84 provided funding for Ferraro Fields at Griffith Park.

### **The Los Angeles Clippers Foundation (LACF)**

The Los Angeles Clippers Foundation (LACF) continually provides support to the Junior Clippers Basketball Program that serves approximately 12,000

Participants annually from 68 recreation centers. In 2016, RAP accepted a donation of \$250,000 for uniforms, clinics, and other in-kind contributions in support of the Junior Clippers Program. The City also donated \$56,934 in cash and in-kind contributions to support RAP's Late Night Hoops softball program serving ages 18-24.

#### **Los Angeles Dodgers Foundation**

In support of Dodgers Reviving Baseball in Inner Cities (DRBIC) program, the LADF made a donation valued at \$17,781, consisting of in-kind contributions in the form of baseball equipment for the 2015 season, as well as baseball uniforms and other garments for players, coaches, and volunteers.

#### **Los Angeles Neighborhood Land Trust (LANLT)**

The Los Angeles Neighborhood Land Trust (LANLT) is a non-profit organization formed for the purpose of preserving, developing, maintaining and operating community parks, gardens, and park programs in underserved areas of the City.

#### **Angeles Neighborhood Initiative (LANI)**

The Angeles Neighborhood Initiative (LANI) works with committed community members to revitalize neighborhoods through improvement of public transportation corridors, urban greening and business district projects. In FY 2015/2016, LANI was instrumental in securing a grant for a new park in North LA, 111th Place Park, which is number 34 of our Parks Initiative Program.

#### **Natasha Watley Foundation (NWF)**

The Natasha Watley Foundation (NWF) was founded by two-time Olympic medalist Natasha Watley to create opportunities for girls in underserved communities to learn and play the game of softball while learning valuable life skills. In Summer 2015, a donation of \$15,203 was received in the form of

cash to pay umpire expenses, softball equipment and uniforms, and in-kind contributions related to the coach-mentor program and season culmination event and activities.

#### **NBC Universal**

As one of the world's leading media and entertainment companies uniquely positioned to inform, empower, and inspire, NBCU embraces the opportunity to create conversation and mobilize action to address some of the world's most critical issues. A \$200,000 donation was provided to RAP in cash, for a new playground at Lake Hollywood Park. In addition, NBCU provided over \$300,000 in funding for park improvements at El Paso de Cahuenga Park.

#### **Ruth Phelps Trust**

In honor of Ruth Phelps who was an active member of the Westchester community, The Ruth Phelps Trust donated \$70,000 in cash during 2016, specifically for the Westchester Senior Center where she regularly participated in their programs.

#### **The Trust for Public Land (TPL)**

The Trust for Public Land (TPL) supports RAP's efforts in developing new parks across the City in communities lacking green space, as well as ensuring opportunities that create an open invitation to explore, wonder, discover, and play. In this fiscal year, TPL secured funding for Aliso Creek Confluence Park and Carlton Way Park.

#### **Westcoast Sports Associates**

Since 1995, WSA has allocated \$3.5 million in support that has allowed the awarded City of Los Angeles Recreation Centers and nonprofit youth sports administrators to charge affordable program fees and offer hundreds of participation scholarships for children 5-12 years of age.

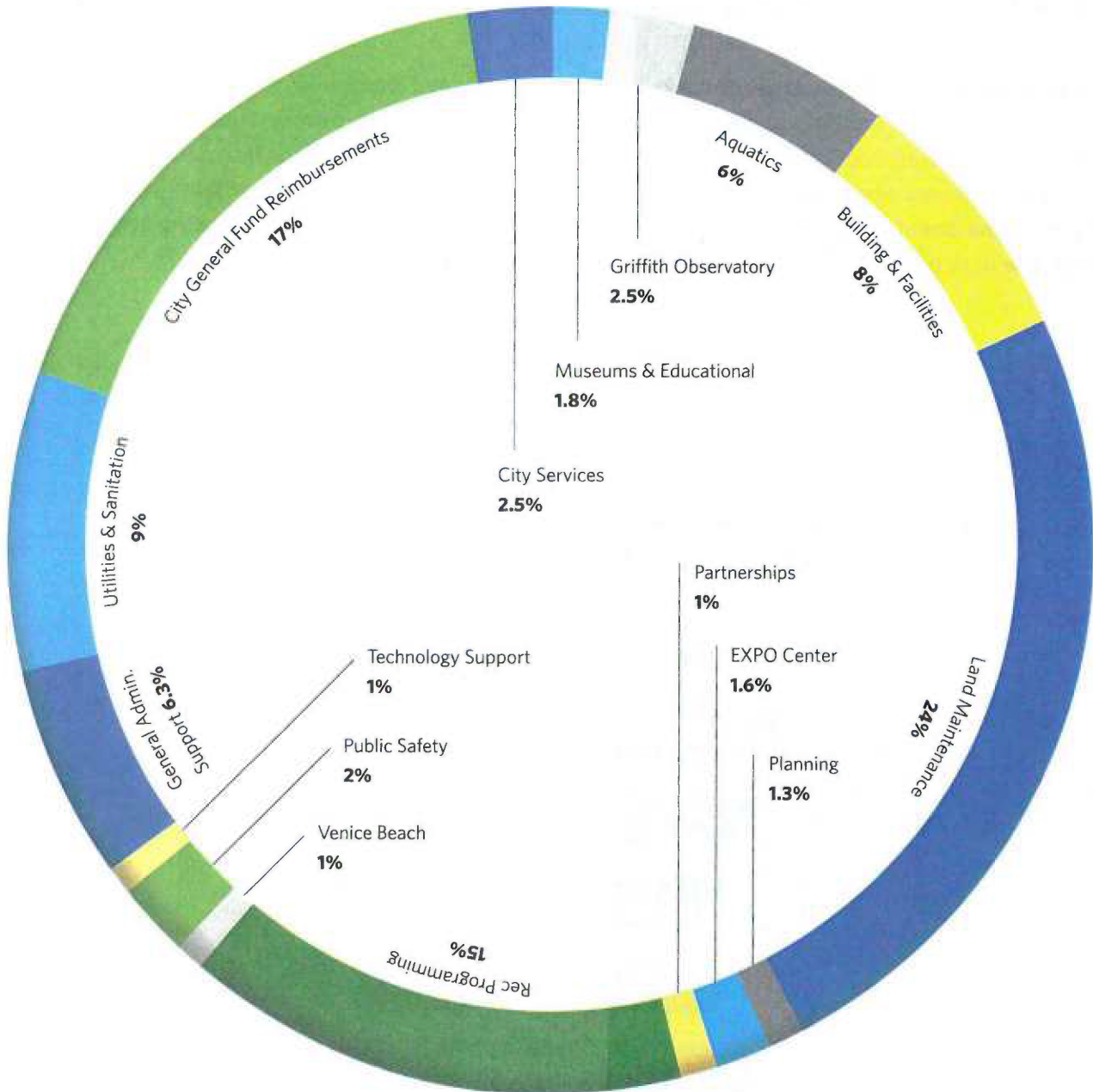
# COMMITTED TO SAVING THE DROP

**:: The Department of Recreation and Parks** has made great progress on our water conservation efforts over the course of the last decade. Even while the City's park system has grown, and open space acreage has increased, the Department has been able to reduce its potable water consumption by over 50% since 2004. represents a savings of roughly 2.4 billion gallons annually. Part of our efforts have included working with the Angeles Department of Water and Power to increase the amount of recycled water we use to irrigate our par Today, one third of all our water use comes from recycled sources.



# FINANCIALS

Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Adopted Operating Budget  
Distribution by Program/Category



City Services **\$4,892,258**

Museums & Educational **\$3,896,667**

Griffith Observatory **\$5,458,221**

Aquatics **\$12,835,917**

Building & Facilities **\$17,170,366**

Land Maintenance **\$52,804,397**

Planning **\$2,892,807**

EXPO Center **\$3,582,167**

Partnerships **\$1,398,535**

Rec Programming **\$32,372,519**

Venice Beach **\$1,752,863**

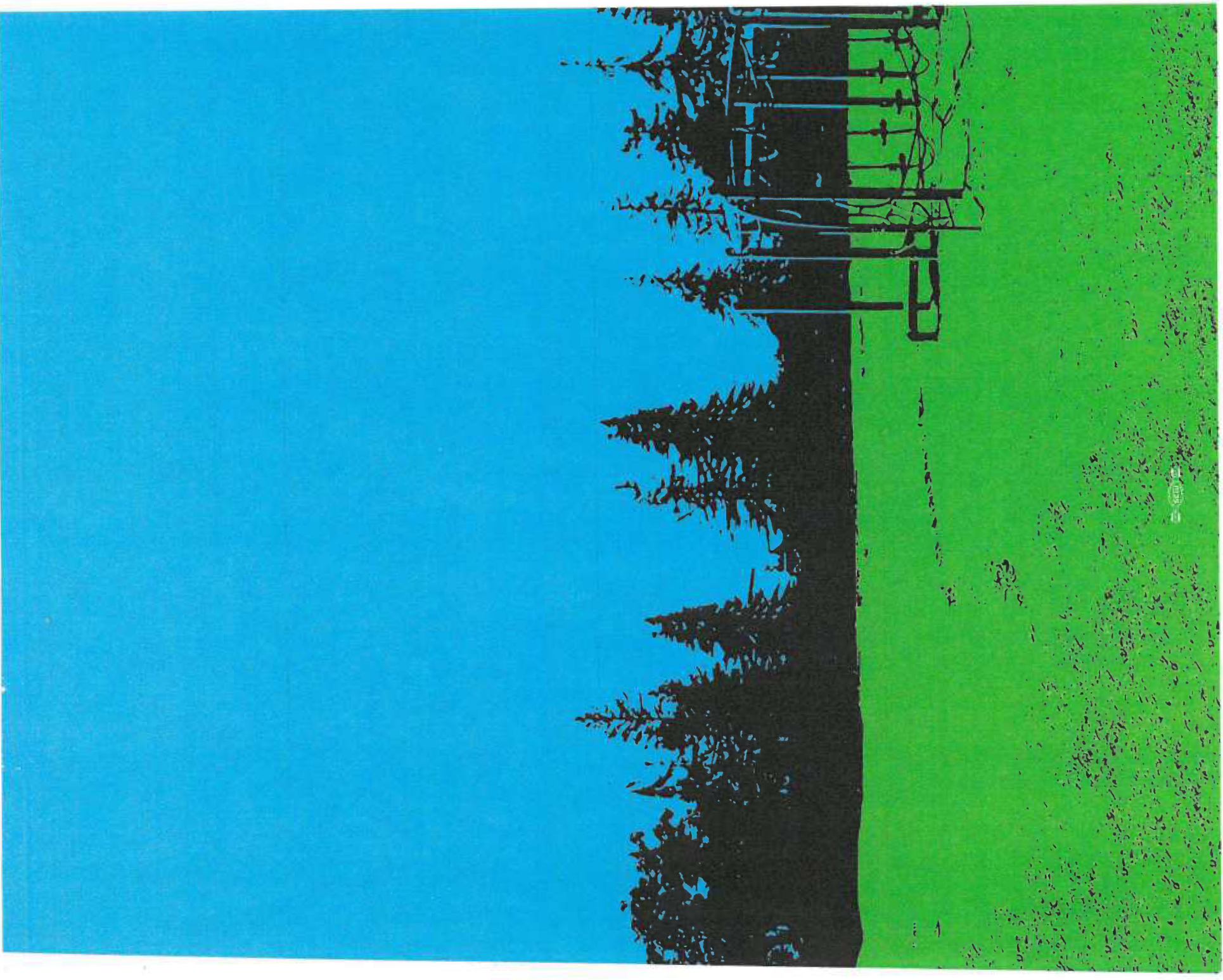
Public Safety **\$3,613,592**

Technology Support **\$1,588,822**

General Admin. Support **\$13,424,299**

Utilities & Sanitation **\$18,429,000**

City Gen. Fund Reim. **\$36,162,454**



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