



Feather River Recreation and Park District
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PROGRAM CLOSURE AT ACTIVITY CENTER PROPERTY

OROVILLE, CA. (March 29, 2023) – In fall of 2021, the Board hired financial analysis, Scott Chalmers, to examine District finances due to operating budget concerns and limited reserves. Mr. Chalmers’ findings included a deferred maintenance list for all 15 District parks and facilities at an approximate cost of \$15 million. At the conclusion of the presentation, the Board of Directors moved forward with the consultant’s recommendation to list the Activity Center for sale. A copy of the presentation and financial report summary is available online: <https://www.frrpd.com/2021-11-18-board-november-18-2021-special-board-meeting>

In December 2021, the community and staff were notified by the District of the Board’s intention to sell the facility. Since then, the property has been advertised by Mike Donnelly of Coldwell Banker C & C Properties. Due to the financial sustainability of the District, the Board has directed staff to close recreation programs and childcare services operating at the Activity Center and prepare the building for sale. The District will make every effort to support instructors and participants during the transition. The decision to discontinue programming within the Activity Center was made to increase funding to better maintain the remaining parks and facilities, and properly allocate operating expenses. Addressing years of deferred maintenance in District parks is a priority.

PROGRAM CLOSURE TIMELINE

June 2023 – Close Recreation Programs: Gymnastics, Martial Arts, Dance and UJam

August 2023 – Close Childcare Center

September 2023 – Remaining staff will focus on packing, moving, and surplus sale of equipment.

RESULT OF ACTION

Up to 17 employees may be affected by the closure. A severance package will be offered to employees being laid off and not transferring to another open position within the District.

The District Office will continue to operate at the Activity Center while preparing the building for sale and the relocation of administrative staff.

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The Feather River Recreation and Park District is a California Special District that serves an area of 730 square miles in south-eastern Butte County. Our mission is to provide and maintain quality parks, recreation experiences, and related facilities and programs for all residents of the District in a fiscally sustainable manner that compliments the natural resources and cultural heritage of our community.