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The Goodyear Recreation Campus is Open!



Discover the new one-of-a-kind community destination with something for everyone.

420 S. Estrella Pkwy.

AT A GLANCE The new Goodyear Recreation Campus is truly like no other. It was designed by the community, for the community. It offers a wide variety of recreational and leisure opportunities for all ages, abilities and special interests in one location. In this issue, you'll discover what makes this ultimate community gathering spot so unique and special.

Welcome to Your Recreation Campus!

State-of-the-art campus offers something for everyone

The wait is over, and I am thrilled that the Goodyear Recreation Campus (GRC) is open for our community to enjoy. The 40-acre campus is truly like no other!

Enjoy the 48,000 square foot recreation center, complete with fitness areas, indoor walking track, multi-use gymnasium and dedicated teen activity center. Seek respite from the summer heat in the aquatic center featuring a family play pool, lazy river, towering slides, and a lap swim pool. If outdoor activity is your preference, enjoy the 30-acre community park where you will find a mile-long walking loop, picnic areas, state-of-the-art playgrounds, sport courts and athletic fields.

For our art lovers, "Chasing the Stars" is a movement of color and light. This unique artwork welcomes visitors to the GRC and is sure to be a popular meeting spot. I can hear it now, "meet me at the sculpture!"

The GRC is as special as we'd hoped it would be, and it was envisioned, inspired and designed by our residents for everyone to enjoy. This type of civic

engagement, coupled with the Goodyear City Council's vision, has resulted in the ultimate community gathering spot. On behalf of the Parks and Recreation Commission, the Arts and Culture Commission and the entire Parks and Recreation Department, thank you for your involvement in this process. We can't wait to see you at the GRC! For more info, including the latest rec campus activities:



Nathan Torres
Parks & Recreation Director

Log on! goodyearaz.gov/reccampus

Call us! [623-882-7525](tel:623-882-7525)

Email us! gyrec@goodyearaz.gov

Visit us! [420 S. Estrella Pkwy.](#)

FREE Amenities include

- Outdoor Basketball Courts
- Outdoor Pickleball Courts
- Sand Volleyball Courts
- Tennis Courts
- Teen Room
- Lobby Lounge Area
- Multipurpose Fields
- Art Plaza
- Outdoor Shaded Patio
- Playgrounds
- Ramadas
- Walking Paths

SOMETHING for Everyone!

Timeline:

- AUGUST 2017**
COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND RECREATION CAMPUS MASTER PLANNING ACTIVITIES BEGIN
- MAY 2018**
CITY COUNCIL ADOPTS THE RECREATION CAMPUS MASTER PLAN
- SEPTEMBER 2018**
PROJECT DESIGN BEGINS
- OCTOBER 2019**
CONSTRUCTION BEGINS
- NOW OPEN! JULY 2021**

From Vision to Reality

From the Mayor



Our long-awaited and much-anticipated Goodyear Recreation Campus (GRC) is now a reality! The campus offers something for everyone, no matter your level of activity. Although I may not be as active as I once was, my enjoyment comes from watching those who take full advantage of everything

that the GRC has to offer. I'm looking forward to frequent walks around the indoor track, watching games in the gym, listening to the sound of children laughing and playing and seeing families connect with one another in a great environment.

This beautiful space has been meticulously developed to reflect our unique community, and it features an amazing art piece that can't be found anywhere else. "Chasing the Stars" is the largest permanent human-powered kinetic sculpture in the world, weighing roughly 14,000 pounds. It is 30

feet high and has six arcs that span 30 feet wide. Despite its enormous size, it can be activated by a gentle tug on the ropes, which makes it move. It is really quite stunning.

I'm amazed by the sheer size of the rec campus, as well as the long stretches of grassy lawns, covered picnic areas, walking paths, ball fields and sport courts. Pickleball enthusiasts will be pleased to know there are six pickleball courts!

The playgrounds are equipped with the latest and greatest features for children of all ages and abilities. There are age-specific play structures for climbing and exploring with lots of slides. I especially like the circular configuration of the swings, which provide sight lines to other riders, encouraging connection and relationship building. The entire play area and many of the play equipment pieces are accessible for individuals in wheelchairs, too.

I could go on and on, but I'll just say that the Goodyear Recreation Campus is truly a gem and is a hub for for memory-making activities for you and your family. Come out to experience it for yourself.



Council Corner

The opening of the Goodyear Recreation Campus represents a defining moment for our city that will significantly impact the lives of our residents for generations to come. This amazing amenity, located south of the I-10 on

Estrella Parkway and Harrison Street, provides a safe and inclusive multi-generational gathering place for everyone to enjoy. The recreation campus is the culmination of many years of planning and a cause for celebration for our entire community.

The recreation campus is in a convenient location, and it offers something for all ages and abilities. The pictures and videos you may have seen don't fully capture the architectural splendor and thoughtful designs that have been incorporated, and we can't wait for you to see it in person. The city worked tirelessly to integrate creative enhancements

and artistic touches in an effort to provide you a memorable experience.

The recreation campus was built for you, our residents, and we want everyone to enjoy all that it has to offer. The 30-acre community park is free and open to the public, the recreation center offers a variety of free and paid amenities, and the aquatic center requires a pass. This year, an all-inclusive resident pass is available for individuals and families for just \$75 in recognition of the city's 75th anniversary. The city is committed to ensuring that the many amenities at the Goodyear Recreation Campus are available for everyone to enjoy, and we will work with residents who may have limited financial resources to provide discounted passes.

Enhancing the quality of life for our residents and creating accessible recreation opportunities is a top priority for the city council, and we are so pleased that the Goodyear Recreation Campus is finally open and ready for you to enjoy.

Get to Know Your New Recreation Center

1ST FLOOR OF THE REC CENTER

TEEN ACTIVITY CENTER | MULTIPURPOSE ROOMS | LOCKERS AND SHOWERS | MULTIPURPOSE GYMNASIUM

HI!

WELCOME TO THE
GOODYEAR REC
CAMPUS.

Here for You!

Need to buy a pass, tour the facility or reserve a room for a private event? A friendly staff member at the front desk in the spacious lobby is happy to assist you. Think of them as your Goodyear Recreation Center concierge. The lobby also connects you to everything inside the two-story building. As you'll see when you visit, this center is a one-stop-shop for fitness and fun!



Teen Activity & eGaming Center

The Teen Activity Center is a classic example of what we mean when we say the Goodyear Recreation Campus is unique and designed for the community, by the community. In 2020, the city created a gaming channel, Stream Team Goodyear, to help bring the community together when we couldn't be together physically. It quickly became the leading recreational gaming program in the state with more subscribers than any other city gaming channel in the nation! It's clear – our kids enjoy connecting with each other over video games. Now, there is a place they can meet and play side-by-side. The room is outfitted with custom Stream Team Goodyear gaming chairs, eight eGaming stations with a lightning fast wi-fi connection and plenty of additional space to lounge, study and play tabletop games. Oh, and this space is free! No pass is needed to use this room.



Meeting Space Available for You

There might not be the same heart pumping action in the new multipurpose rooms as the Teen Activity Center, but the space is just as decked out with all of the necessary equipment. The recreation center has three multipurpose rooms. Two of them are used primarily for various programs and activities at the recreation center. They include a state-of-the-art projection and sound system, sink, tables and chairs. To provide residents with the highest quality amenities and ensure the GRC is a true jewel in the city, there's a third multipurpose room. This room has additional features, including a warming kitchen equipped with a serving window for catering needs and an outdoor private patio. All three of these multipurpose rooms are available for residents to rent.

RECREATION CENTER HOURS

MON.-FRI. 6 A.M. - 9 P.M.

SAT. 8 A.M. - 6 P.M.

SUN. 11 A.M. - 5 P.M.

2ND FLOOR OF THE REC CENTER

TWO FITNESS STUDIOS | ELEVATED WALKING/JOGGING TRACK | FITNESS AREA

Focus on Fitness

One of the early visions of the GRC that was shared by residents and the Goodyear City Council was to make it a place that everyone could enjoy. The fitness classes, workout room and indoor walking/jogging track are perfect examples of that. There's something for all fitness levels here!

The second floor of the recreation center is where you'll find all of these amenities. The fitness area has a variety of cardio and resistance training machines. Just outside of the fitness area, you'll find the elevated walking/jogging track with amazing views of the Estrella Mountains. Ten laps around the track will get you one-mile; it's the perfect air-conditioned walking path in the summer! You can also hop over to one of the two fitness studios to take an instructor-led group



fitness class, or give the brand-new interactive fitness program, iWall, a try. With iWall, you can play interactive fitness games, challenge friends or shoot for a personal high score while working out.

Indoor Ball Time

The GRC will be a destination year-round with so many air-conditioned amenities in the multiuse gymnasium where basketball, volleyball, pickleball and even dodgeball can be played.



Cardio & Conditioning
Indoor Cycling
LES MILLS Body Pump
Mat Pilates
Silver Sneakers
Yoga • Zumba

Passholders are able to register for classes up to three days in advance. You can view the group fitness class schedule on the Goodyear Recreation app.



Healthy Body and Mind

Looking to keep your mind active? The GRC has that, too! There are a variety of scheduled programs and activities, including Bunco and group card games.

Say Hello to Your New Aquatic Center

Splash, Swim, Slide and Float

Summertime just got even better with the Goodyear Aquatic Center! This is an ideal destination to cool off with the family or relax under a pool cabana. The outdoor aquatic center has two sections: family play and lap swim. In the family play area, you can't miss the two 27-foot slides. In fact, you can see them from Estrella Parkway! The slides are the largest you'll find in Arizona outside of a water park. They also feature a speed timer, so you can try to beat your fastest time down or race against friends! After propelling down the slide, you can grab an inner tube and float down the lazy river, or for the younger ones – hop over to the splash play area. Residents can reserve a pool cabana during swim hours and after hours there are opportunities to rent the entire pool area. While the family pool is open seasonally, the 25-yard lap pool (high school competition size) will be heated for year-round use. It features 8-lanes, two one-meter diving boards and on scheduled days will feature an inflatable water obstacle course!

FAMILY ACTIVITY/ZERO-DEPTH LEISURE POOL

WATER SLIDES, LAZY RIVER AND SPLASH PLAY AREA

25-YARD COMPETITION/LAP SWIM POOL



AQUATIC CENTER RESERVATION QUESTIONS?

CALL US AT 623-882-7525

AQUATIC CENTER HOURS

NOW – SEPT. 5

SUN.-THURS. . . 12 P.M. – 5 P.M.
FRI.-SAT. 10 A.M. – 7 P.M.

SEPT. 5 – OCT. 31

SAT.-SUN. 12 P.M. – 4 P.M.

**LAP SWIM
OPEN YEAR-ROUND**

MON.-THURS. . . 6 A.M. – 8 A.M.
3 P.M. – 5 P.M.
FRI.-SUN. 12 P.M. – 2 P.M.

And Spacious Park



THE PARK IS DESIGNED WITH A 1-MILE CONTINUOUS WALKING PATH, OUTDOOR GRILLS SURROUNDED BY COVERED SEATING AND 12,000 SQ. FEET OF SHADE!



PARK HOURS

DAILY 6 A.M. – 10 P.M.

The Ultimate Community Park

The 30-acre community park is like no other in the city – or anywhere, actually! It was designed to be an outdoor space for all ages and abilities, a multifunctional park and a place to gather with friends and meet new ones. Kids will undoubtedly gravitate towards the multi-level play structures. There's open turf to run or sit, climbing areas, inverted slides and a ramp to enter the 5-12 age playground structure. The play area also has a dedicated spot for younger kids and a unique circular swing set. There's also a zipline, spinning amenities, musical components and sensory panels.

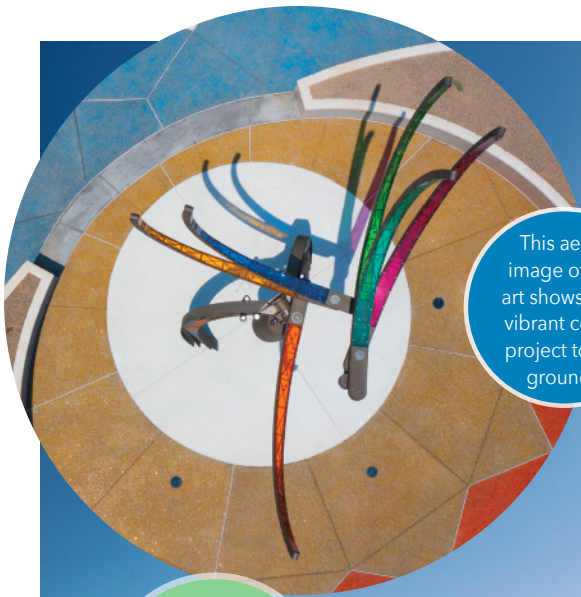


2 lighted baseball/softball fields
2 lighted multipurpose fields
Lighted tennis, basketball, pickleball
and sand volleyball courts
Group ramada/picnic areas
Walking paths • Playground
Interactive public art
Plaza/gathering space
Restrooms



STAY CONNECTED WITH EVERYTHING HAPPENING AT THE REC CAMPUS, INCLUDING CLASSES, ACTIVITIES AND RESERVATIONS IN ONE SPOT! SEARCH "GOODYEAR RECREATION" TO DOWNLOAD THE APP IN THE APPSTORE OR GOOGLE PLAY.





This aerial image of the art shows how vibrant colors project to the ground.

art that Moves



Beautiful, colorful art can be seen all across Goodyear. From the Goodyear hearts to the painted traffic cabinets, murals and flagpole banners, the splash of color local artists add to the city enhances its uniqueness and vibrancy. Now, there's a new community art piece that you can sit and enjoy. Better yet, you can move it! **Chasing the Stars** is a rare sculpture that you're actually encouraged to touch. The 30-foot tall kinetic art is made of independently moving arcs with different colored inlays. When you pull the attached poles to power the art piece, it projects vibrant colors onto the ground as it moves. The artist, Joe O'Connell, is the founder of Creative Machines in Tucson and has created more than 50 public art projects all around the world! We're thrilled that his latest piece is now being enjoyed by so many in Goodyear.

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CORE VALUES

EMPATHY

OPTIMISM

INTEGRITY

INNOVATION

ADAPTABILITY

INITIATIVE



Take a video tour of the GRC with Mike in On the Job with Julie.



[Goodyearaz.gov/YouTube](https://www.goodyearaz.gov/YouTube)

Click on the On the Job with Julie playlist

Mike Beadle

Recreation Superintendent

What do you do for the city?

I am in charge of planning daily operations for the new Goodyear Recreation Campus! This includes planning fitness classes/ programs, setting hours of operation and managing part-time and full-time staff.

What do you do for fun?

I like to train for American Ninja Warrior and am currently on the show! I also coach my daughters' softball and basketball teams, play sports, play video games with my kids, shoot pool and compete in anything/ everything I can.

Your Questions Answered

There is standing water near my house that is attracting mosquitoes, what should I do? –Nancy

Mosquitoes can have serious negative impacts on the health and wellbeing of residents. The Maricopa County Environmental Services Department, Vector Control Division conducts surveillance and abatement of mosquitoes across the county. They actively work to prevent, monitor and treat for mosquitoes, including in Goodyear. You can learn more about preventing and reporting mosquitoes by visiting Maricopa.gov/2423/fight-the-bite, or by calling 602-506-0700.

Who is responsible for maintaining median landscaping? –Stacey

Goodyear has a city code that requires landscaping in medians be maintained. This includes removing weeds and trimming trees, shrubs and hedges to keep our city beautiful and streets safe. The city's Parks and Recreation Department maintains many of the medians on major streets within the city, but depending on the location, median maintenance may be the responsibility of a private entity or a homeowner's association. You can report concerns with median landscaping using the city of Goodyear mobile app, by calling 623-882-7525, or online at goodyearaz.gov/reportproblem.

NEW STREET SIGNS IN GOODYEAR

Over the past few months, we heard from several residents concerned with the number of panhandlers at stop lights in Goodyear. Since then, the Goodyear Police Department's Homeless Outreach Team worked with the Arizona Department of Transportation to install street signs to encourage drivers to think twice before giving money to them. The signs, which read Say No to Panhandling – Consider Local Charities, are meant to encourage our well-intentioned residents who want to do something to donate to local organizations instead of giving money to panhandlers.

It's important that those who are homeless or in a vulnerable, difficult situation get connected to the

resources and programs that are here for them. We're not stopping there. We're working with other cities and nonprofit organizations from across the Valley to develop an effective, comprehensive approach to help those going through an extremely difficult time. This is a regional effort, and you are a pivotal part of it.

**SAY NO TO
PANHANDLING
CONSIDER
LOCAL CHARITIES
CITY OF GOODYEAR**

From City Swim Lessons to City Lifeguard

Some of the pool managers and lifeguards at the new Goodyear Aquatic Center grew up in Goodyear and even took their first swim lessons at Loma Linda pool! Now, they are taking their skills and passion for the water to serve the community at the newest city pool.



I grew up swimming. I swam club and rec most of my life. I love my job and being able to be around water in a social atmosphere. The people I interact with on a daily basis are amazing and so much fun.
–Brooklyn Price



Swimming at Loma Linda pool as a kid kind of spiked my interest in becoming a lifeguard. There's always a sense of urgency on duty, but the culture with everyone we work with is so positive. You get to have some fun.
–Heath Joyner

Protect Your Home

Have you ever turned the exhaust fan on in your bathroom, only to realize hours later that it's still on? It's an innocent mistake, but can lead to a dangerous situation. Exhaust fans are one of the most common causes of house fires in Goodyear. Fires can quickly start from running the fan too long, faulty wiring and not cleaning it frequently.

Be proactive and protect your home from exhaust fan fires by:

- 1** Installing a timer switch
- 2** Turning the fan off after 20 minutes or less
- 3** Regularly cleaning the cover and motor blades

To Avoid This



Do These Things



1 Install a Timer



2 Turn off



3 Keep clean



Join Goodyear Arts to Create Together

Tuesday, July 6
11 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Thursday, July 29
6 - 7:30 p.m.



Goodyear Arts and Culture Commission

Virtual Paint Parties will continue in 2021 on the second Tuesday and last Thursday of each month!

Classes are free. View session dates, times and registration information at goodyearaz.gov/register.

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Tuesday, July 27
7 p.m.

A style of music that has had a huge impact on American culture is the early style of Jazz.

Sandra Bassett, Jazz musician, will share her knowledge and history of Jazz and its influence/reflection in art and culture.



Goodyear Arts and Culture Commission

2021 Virtual Lecture Series

Topics cover a variety of arts and cultural aspects and will highlight the city's 75th anniversary.

Speakers include local artists, artisans, performing artists and humanities scholars who help shape art in the Valley.

More information and schedule available at bit.ly/GYhotcoffee

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What's That in Goodyear?



AZ Medi Quip
1550 N. Dysart Rd., Suite B-1
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725 S. Estrella Pkwy., Suite 135
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Reaxtionz Barber
13291 W. McDowell Rd., Suite E-2
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Learn more about the businesses coming to Goodyear, or if you're a new business, visit developgoodyearaz.com.



Water Quality Report

The city of Goodyear is committed to delivering safe drinking water to its customers. Each year, the city publishes a water quality report. Water is tested throughout the year to ensure it meets all state and federal standards. The city is proud to continue to deliver water that exceeds those standards. To view the 2020 Water Quality Report, visit goodyearaz.gov/waterreport.



YCMA Community Days

Goodyear residents can visit the Southwest Valley YMCA for **FREE*** on the following days:

JULY 17 AUG. 7
JULY 24 AUG. 21

Visit ValleyYMCA.org/southwest-valley

*Proof of residency is required.

GOODYEAR CITY COUNCIL



(l to r): Vice Mayor Brannon Hampton, Joe Pizzillo, Wally Campbell, Mayor Georgia Lord, Laura Kaino, Sheri Lauritano and Bill Stipp.

GOODYEAR CITY COUNCIL CALENDAR

July 12	5 p.m.	Work Session
	6 p.m.	Council Meeting
July 19	5 p.m.	Work Session
	6 p.m.	Council Meeting

Meetings are subject to change, visit goodyearaz.gov for the latest calendar. Council meetings and work sessions are held at Goodyear Municipal Court and Council Chambers, 14455 W. Van Buren St., B101.

Catch all of the council meetings streaming live on our Facebook page @goodyearaz and YouTube channel.





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