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Public Input Needed for Parks 5-Year Strategic Plan

Milwaukee County Parks Seeks Public Input in the Development of 2015-2020 Strategic Plan

Milwaukee, WI (March 13, 2014) —Members of the community will have the opportunity to provide input on the Milwaukee County Parks 2015-2020 Strategic Plan at any of five presentations or via an online survey. Town-hall style meetings will take place March 17-26, throughout Milwaukee County.

Parks Director John Dargle, Jr. will introduce the process and discuss the next steps on how the public can stay engaged throughout the plan’s implementation. Dr. Angela Allen, the plan facilitator from UW-Cooperative Extension, will then present the draft plan and encourage public input to assist in establishing strategic objectives for the Parks Department. The 30-minute presentation will be followed by a question and answer session.

The public will be asked to evaluate the Parks self-identified strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and challenges to help shape strategic initiatives.

“We are looking forward to hearing from our park patrons and community partners,” said Dargle. “It is through the involvement of the public, staff, the Parks Advisory Commission, County Board, and the County Executive that we are able to develop the best road map for the future.”

The meeting schedule is as follows:

Monday, March 17, 2-3:30 p.m.	Washington Park Senior Center, 4420 W. Vliet St.
Thursday, March 20, 12:30-2 p.m.	Wilson Park Senior Center 2601 W. Howard Ave.
Monday, March 24, 6-7:30 p.m.	Lincoln Park Blatz Pavilion Upper Level 1301 W. Hampton Ave.
Tuesday, March 25, 6-7:30 p.m.	Lake Park Pavilion Marcia Coles Community Room 3133 E. Newberry Blvd.
Wednesday, March 26, 6-7:30 p.m.	South Shore Pavilion 2900 South Shore Dr.

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Comments will be taken at the meetings, online, and through the mail.

For those unable to attend the meetings, the presentation and survey will be available online at countyparks.com.

For accommodation requests, call (414) 257-6100 at least 72 hours in advance.

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