



Austin Parks and Recreation

South District Recreation Centers



Austin Recreation Center

- ❑ Unlike other recreation centers, operates under a business model where most programs are provided by Contract Instructors
- ❑ Contract programs offered: American Karate, Jazzercise, Zumba, and Engineering Camp
- ❑ Programs operated by ARC: Badminton, Adult Volleyball Leagues, and Shotokan Karate
- ❑ Recent renovations include beautiful deck and vibrant, colorful figures to building facade



Dittmar Recreation Center

- ❑ Wide variety of youth programs including Pre-K Play, Summer Camp, T-ball League, Soccer League, and Basketball League
- ❑ New “Teen Room” serving teens in far south Austin community with programs including Totally Cool Totally Art, Teen After School, and Teen Summer Camp
- ❑ The largest COA PARD youth sports program with well over 1,000 participants each year



Dove Springs Recreation Center

- ❑ Served as 2013 Halloween Flood Victims Assistance Center and overnight shelter for over 50 residents
- ❑ Partnerships with GAVA, APD-PAL, HHS, University of Texas Project 2013, Amor Austin, Sustainable Food Center, Keep Austin Beautiful, Skillpoint Alliance, Dove Springs and Onion Creek Neighborhood Associations
- ❑ Free health, wellness & fitness opportunities: Boxing, Seniors Congregate Meals, Shots for Tots, Cocina Alegre Nutritional Cooking, Fresh Food for Families, Karate
- ❑ Dove Springs Playscape Project in progress
- ❑ Dove Springs Recreation Center Expansion Project



McBeth Recreation Center

- ❑ Opened in December of 1985, serves the disability community and offers a wide variety of therapeutic programs to youth and adults with varying abilities, including after school programs, teen/adult day programs, summer camps and monthly socials and dances.
- ❑ Over 180 athletes engaged in various adapted sports in Special Olympics: Rowing, Basketball, Swim Team, Softball, Bowling, Volleyball, Flag Football, Table Tennis, Power Lifting, Cycling, Tennis, Bocce, Golf earned ~200 Gold Medals alone.
- ❑ “Art in the Park” Festival, annual special event featuring various arts activities and live music performers enjoyed by over 1,000 youth and 500 adults



Montopolis Recreation Center

- ❑ New Health & Nutrition Programs: Happy Kitchen Healthy Cooking, Zumba, Karate, Special Needs Basketball Open Play
- ❑ Job Skills Classes by Skillpoint Alliance
- ❑ Tutoring & Mentoring Services by Out of the Box Success
- ❑ Special Needs Parenting Classes and Support Group by Growing Roots
- ❑ NEW Montopolis Community Center in design



Special Needs Assistance



Healthy Cooking



Computer Classes



Tutoring



South Austin Recreation Center

- ❑ New programs for historically underserved age groups: Volleyball League for 50+, Basketball for Toddlers, Teen Camp, Kickball for Adults
- ❑ Inter Local Agreement with AISD Special Education Go *Project* for participants 22+
- ❑ October 2013 – March 2014, served as emergency overnight shelter for 33 nights, hosting 4,118 guests while continuing to deliver quality recreation services during day hours of operation

