

CITY OF **PLANO** PARKS AND RECREATION



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Parks and Recreation

Department is pleased to provide this guide to parks and recreation services in Plano. Nationally accredited since 1994, the department strives to enrich Plano through parks, facilities, programs and resource stewardship. This guide provides basic information about the numerous opportunities available to you.

**We encourage you to explore...
and enjoy!**

Plano is well-known for the network of recreation trails that link parks, recreational facilities, schools, shopping centers and neighborhoods. Over 56 miles are presently available for your use. The Bluebonnet and Chisholm Trails are

designated as National Recreation Trails by the U.S. Department of the Interior. These trails, along with others, continue to grow with the city. Maps of the complete trail system as well as bicycle routes through Plano are available for \$3. Select maps are also available through our Web site. Whether it's for walking, running, skating or biking, you will find Plano's trails to be safe and convenient. We hope you enjoy your park and trail experience.

The department offers over 7,000 classes a year and activities for ages 18-months through adults. The Leisure catalog, a listing of classes and activities, is distributed four times a year and is available at recreation centers and public libraries. You will also find information through our Web site at www.planoparks.org.

Facilities and Programs



The City of Plano operates recreation facilities with a diverse offering of activities. The community recreation program in Plano includes full-service recreation centers: Carpenter Park Recreation Center, Liberty Recreation Center, Oak Point Recreation Center and the Tom Muehlenbeck Center. In addition to classes, these centers offer weight rooms, walking tracks, locker rooms and classrooms, meeting rooms and gymnasiums. Oak Point Recreation Center offers a climbing wall. Racquetball courts are available at Oak Point Recreation Center and Carpenter Park Recreation Center. Year-round swimming is available at Oak Point Recreation Center, the Rowlinson Natatorium, Plano Aquatic Center and the Tom Muehlenbeck Center. Seasonal outdoor pools at Liberty Recreation Center, Oak Point Recreation Center and Tom Muehlenbeck Center are open from Memorial Day to Labor Day. All public pools are available for lessons, meets and public swimming.

Our newest facility, the Tom Muehlenbeck Center is a full-service center incorporating a fitness room, gymnasium, walking track, locker rooms, classrooms, exercise/dance studio and a community lobby. Also part of this facility is a 25-yard indoor swimming pool, an indoor warm water leisure pool and an outdoor leisure pool. For more information please see the Tom Muehlenbeck Center page of our Web site at www.planoparks.org.

Other programs produced by the department are hosted at the Douglass Community Center, the Plano Senior Recreation Center, High Point Park Tennis Center, Pecan Hollow Golf Course and through therapeutic recreation programs designed for those with disabilities. The Outdoor Adventure program is available for those who prefer nature courses and recreational trips. A very active Adult Sports program provides league play in flag football, volleyball and softball.

The contact information is available in the facility directory on the back cover.





Reservations and Rentals

The department makes many of its facilities available for rent. Select park pavilions are available for rent by residents and community organizations. Reservations are accepted Monday through Friday at the Administration Offices, 1409 Avenue K, or by calling 972-941-7250. A reservation fee is charged per rental. Parks with pavilions available for reservation include:

- Arbor Hills Nature Preserve
- Bob Woodruff Park (2)
- Haggard Park
- Harrington Park
- Hoblitzelle Park
- Preston Meadow Park
- Russell Creek Park
- Shawnee Park
- Willowcreek Park

Enjoy a poolside birthday party, family reunion or neighborhood party in a pleasant environment at any of the public pools. A variety of plans are available for two-hour rentals, including lifeguards. Party Area rentals are also available during public swim hours. Reservations may be made by calling 972-941-7256.

The Frito-Lay/Pepsi Youth Ballpark, located on the southeast corner of Jupiter Road and Spring Creek Parkway, is a special ball field built so children may experience the look and feel of a Major League ballpark for special games. Reservations for play and pricing information are available through the **Administration Offices at 972-941-7250.**



Plano Residents

| | |
|----------------------|-------|
| Youth (3-16) | \$80 |
| College (18-22) | \$65 |
| <i>May-August 31</i> | |
| Adult (17-59) | \$130 |
| Senior (60+) | \$100 |

Non-Residents

| | |
|---------------|-------|
| Youth (3-16) | \$160 |
| Adult (17-59) | \$260 |
| Senior (60+) | \$200 |
| Work in Plano | \$195 |

Memberships

Annual memberships provide access to all recreation centers and swimming pools in the Plano Parks and Recreation system. Annual memberships include access to the following facilities:

- Carpenter Park Recreation Center
- Liberty Recreation Center (and pool)
- Oak Point Recreation Center (and pools)
- Plano Aquatic Center
- Rowlinson Natatorium
- Jack Carter Pool
- Tom Muehlenbeck Center (and pools)

Children two years and younger are admitted free and children under seven must always be supervised by an adult. Proof of residency or employment is required prior to purchasing a membership.

Membership cards are issued at Carpenter Park Recreation Center, Liberty Recreation Center, Oak Point Recreation Center and Tom Muehlenbeck Center. Members are required to show this card for use of the gyms, weight area, racquetball/squash courts, track, game room or swimming pool. Memberships are not required to attend recreation courses.



Interurban Railway Museum

www.interurbanplano.org

Located in downtown Plano, the Interurban Railway Museum is housed in a building that served as a primary stop on the Texas Electric Railway that ran from Denison to Dallas beginning in 1908. On December 31, 1948, the Denison to Dallas Interurban line made its last run.

The station remained closed until early 1990, when a complete restoration of the building was completed and the building was converted into a museum by the City of Plano. The museum exhibit contains many artifacts associated with the Interurban line, as well as a history of Plano.

Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays. Individual tours of the museum may be arranged by calling **972-941-2117**.

There is no entrance fee, however contributions are greatly appreciated.



Volunteer!

In addition to offering a variety of recreational activities, the City of Plano has many volunteer opportunities available through the Volunteers In Plano (VIP) program. VIPs perform an invaluable service to the community. The volunteers dedicate their time and skills to making Plano a better place to live, work and play. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please visit our Web site at www.volunteersinplano.org or call the **Volunteer Resources Group** at **972-941-7436**.





Creative Arts

The Public Art Program enhances the community by beautifying local spaces such as parks, recreation centers and libraries. Public art is about the people, selected by the people and for the people. The pieces will continue to provoke thought and conversation among all ages. To participate in the selection process or find out more about the program, contact the **Cultural Programs Coordinator at 972-941-7740.**

The Municipal Exhibit Program puts the work of local artists into municipal facilities for the public to enjoy.

The Arts and Cultural Grants Program and the Summer Arts Program are provided through the Cultural Affairs Commission. The Arts and Cultural Grants program provides support for non-profit arts organizations to entertain and engage our citizens in all aspects of the arts. The Summer Arts Program provides free art

camp for underserved youth: music, theater, dance and visual art experiences are on the menu! Contact the Creative Arts Manager at 972-941-5202 for more information regarding the grants application process.

Plano's Stages are places to enjoy music, dance, theater and shows of every kind. The Courtyard Theater, the Cox Building Playhouse, and the Amphitheater at Oak Point Park are state-of-the-art cultural facilities featuring productions by local performers and touring acts. Calendars for all three venues can be found at www.planostages.com. These facilities are also available for rent by non-profit organizations, corporate groups and the public. For more information contact the **Theater Coordinator at 972-941-5610.**



Wildflowers

Plano abounds in wildflowers from spring through summer. Plantings throughout the community allow for beauty and provide a reduction in maintenance requirements for those specific areas. While many of the most popular blooms are available in spring such as the Bluebonnet, watch for many others throughout the year.

Take Photos, Leave the Flowers

We appreciate the interest in our wildflowers and ask everyone to please respect the beauty they contribute by only taking photos and leaving the plants for others to enjoy. We also ask that you try to minimize your footprints in the fields so others may enjoy their full blooming beauty.

Environmental stewardship means responsibly using and managing land and resources so they can be used and enjoyed now and in the future. In order for our wildflower and natural areas to remain healthy and beautiful it is important for all users to act as stewards of those resources. It is imperative that plants, animals and other features of these areas be left undisturbed and none be removed for any purpose by visitors. Your proactive stewardship of these natural beauties will be beneficial in preserving them, especially when you properly dispose of litter and pet waste in trash cans and encourage only the taking of pictures, leaving the plants and flowers in place.

Our Urban Forest

The urban forest is made up of all of the trees in and around the places we live including street medians; and commercial, public and residential landscapes and parks. The urban forest can be remnants of the natural forest the city retained as it grew as well as newly planted trees. It is managed for safety, sustainability, social and economic functions and benefits over time.

You may have noticed really big trees are a rarity in our community. That is because the land which is now Plano was once a grass land and once settled, the flat treeless land was ideal for farming and livestock grazing.

Big trees provide enormous benefits in terms of carbon sequestration, air pollution abatement and storm water run off diversion. They are also extremely valuable monetarily, and once removed, take a lifetime to replace. Haggard Park boasts one of our largest trees, an Overcup Oak (*Quercus lyrata*). It is 106 inches in circumference, 45 feet tall with a 55 foot crown spread. It is speculated this tree grew along the banks of a creek that probably flowed through the site where there is now a pond. For more information on this tree, our urban tree canopy, the planting and care of trees, and our Tree City USA designation, please see the Urban Forestry section of our Web site.



Map

Libraries

- L1. DAVIS LIBRARY
- L2. HAGGARD LIBRARY
- L3. HARRINGTON LIBRARY
- L4. PARR LIBRARY
- L5. SCHIMELPFENIG LIBRARY

Recreation Facilities

- A. Amphitheater at Oak Point Park
- B. Carpenter Park Recreation Center
- C. Dog Park at Jack Carter Park
- D. Douglass Community Center
- E. Frito-Lay Pepsi /Youth Ballpark
- F. Heritage Yards at Plano
- G. High Point Tennis Center
- H. Interurban Railway Museum
- I. Jack Carter Pool
- J. Liberty Recreation Center
- K. Municipal Center South
- L. Oak Point Recreation Center
- M. Pecan Hollow Golf Course
- N. Plano Aquatic Center
- O. Plano Senior Recreation Center
- P. Ridgeview Ranch Golf Club
- Q. Tom Muehlenbeck Center
- R. Harry Rowlinson Community Natatorium



Park Amenities

R = reservations available
 b = w/ baby swings
 s = sand



| PARKS | | Address | Baseball - Softball | Basketball | Soccer - Football | Volleyball | Pond - Creek | Pavilion | Picnic Tables | Grills | Playground | Restrooms | Drinking Fountain |
|-------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|--------------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|-----------|-------------------|
| 1 | Arbor Hills Nature Preserve | 6701 W. Parker Rd | | | | | * | R | * | 4 | b | * | * |
| 2 | Archgate Park | 6700 Archgate Dr | ath | | ath | | * | * | * | | * | * | * |
| 3 | Arrowhead Park | 2500 Millington Rd | * | * | * | * | | * | * | 2 | b | | * |
| 4 | Big Lake Park | 3800 Rainier Rd | | | | | * | | * | 2 | b | | * |
| 5 | Blue Ridge Park | 6409 Blue Ridge Tr | * | | * | | | * | * | 1 | * | * | * |
| 6 | Bob Woodruff Park (North) | 2601 San Gabriel Dr | * | | * | s | * | R | * | 2 | b | * | * |
| 7 | Bob Woodruff Park (South) | 2701 San Gabriel Dr | * | | * | | * | R | * | 8 | | * | * |
| 8 | Buckhorn Park | 3801 Mission Ridge Rd | * | * | * | * | | * | * | 2 | * | * | * |
| 9 | Caddo Park | 2701 Roundrock Tr | * | * | * | | | * | * | 1 | b | * | * |
| 10 | Capstone Park | 2325 Harrisburg Ln | * | | * | | * | * | * | 1 | * | * | * |
| 11 | Carpenter Park | 6701 Coit Rd | ath | | ath | | | * | * | | b | * | * |
| 12 | Cheyenne Park | 2501 Mission Ridge Rd | * | | * | | | | | 1 | * | * | * |
| 13 | Clearview Park | 4000 Eagle Pass | * | * | * | * | | * | * | 2 | b | * | * |
| 14 | Copper Creek Playground | 3100 Copper Creek Dr | * | | * | | * | * | * | 2 | b | * | * |
| 15 | Cottonwood Creek Greenbelt | Country Club Dr | * | | * | | * | | | | b | * | * |
| 16 | Coyote Creek Park | 5801 Communications Pkwy | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | | b | * | * |
| 17 | Douglass Playground | 1111 Avenue H | * | * | * | | | * | * | 2 | b | * | * |
| 18 | Eldorado Park | 1704 Iowa Dr | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | 3 | b | * | * |
| 19 | Enfield Park | 700 Legacy Dr | ath | | * | s | | * | * | | b | * | * |
| 20 | Evans Park | 1601 Mollimar Dr | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | 2 | b | * | * |
| 21 | Frank Beverly Park | 7112 Quarry Chase Tr | * | * | * | * | | * | * | 2 | b | * | * |
| 22 | Glen Meadows Park | 6300 Park Meadow Ln | | | * | * | | * | * | 2 | b | * | * |
| 23 | Hackberry Park | 1600 Rio Grande Dr | * | * | * | * | | * | * | 2 | b | * | * |
| 24 | Haggard Park | 901 East 15th St | | | * | | * | R | * | * | * | * | * |
| 25 | Harrington Park | 401 West 16th St | * | | * | s | * | R | * | 3 | b | * | * |
| 26 | Hidden Meadow Park | Gillespie at Kimble | * | * | * | * | | * | * | 2 | b | * | * |
| 27 | High Point Athletic Fields | 6500 Alma Dr | ath | | ath | | | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| 28 | Hoblitzelle Park | 7500 Red River Dr | | | * | | * | R | * | 5 | b | * | * |
| 29 | Horseshoe Park | 4012 Roundrock Tr | * | * | * | * | | * | * | 1 | * | * | * |
| 30 | Indian Creek Park | 2701 LaCosta Dr | * | * | * | * | | * | * | 3 | b | * | * |
| 31 | Jack Carter Park | 2800 Maumelle Dr | ath | | ath | s | * | * | * | 2 | * | * | * |
| 32 | Liberty Park | 1200 Mill Valley Rd | * | * | * | * | | * | * | 1 | b | * | * |
| 33 | Lone Star Park | 6417 Mission Ridge Rd | * | * | * | * | | * | * | 1 | b | * | * |
| 34 | Longhorn Park | 1100 Colgate Pl | * | | * | | | * | * | 2 | * | * | * |
| 35 | Memorial Park | 2101 Bay Hill Dr | | | * | | * | * | * | | b | * | * |
| 36 | Sgt. Mike McCreary Sports Fields | 1601 19th St | ath | | * | | | | | | | | * |
| 37 | Moore Park* | future athletic site | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 38 | Oak Point Park & Nature Preserve | Jupiter at Spring Creek Parkway | | | | | * | | | | | | |
| 39 | Old Shepard Place Park | 1301 Winding Hollow Ln | ath | | ath | | | | | 2 | b | * | * |
| 40 | Overland Trail | Quill to Jarwood | | | | s | * | | * | | * | | * |
| 41 | Parkwood Green Park | 2500 Parkwood Blvd | * | * | * | * | | * | * | 1 | b | * | * |
| 42 | Prairie Meadow Park | 3225 Caravan Dr | * | * | * | * | | * | * | 2 | b | * | * |
| 43 | Preston Meadow Park | 3900 Preston Meadow Dr | * | * | * | * | | R | * | 4 | * | * | * |
| 44 | Razor Park, W. H. "Buzz" | 8942 Rockledge Ln | * | * | * | * | | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| 45 | Ridgeview Park | 2903 Elsinore | * | * | * | * | | * | * | 2 | b | * | * |
| 46 | Russell Creek Park | 3500 McDermott | ath | * | * | * | * | R | * | 5 | b | * | * |
| 47 | Lt. Russell A. Steindam Park | 4497 Quincy Ln | * | * | * | * | | * | * | 2 | b | * | * |
| 48 | Rustic Park | 1900 Rustic Drive | | | | | * | | | | | | |
| 49 | Santa Fe Trail | along Oak Grove Dr | | | | | * | | * | 1 | * | * | * |
| 50 | Schell Park | 2100 Laurel Ln | ath | | ath | | * | * | * | 1 | b | * | * |
| 51 | Shawnee Park | 3380 Sherwood Dr | * | * | * | s | * | R | * | 3 | b | * | * |
| 52 | Shoshoni Park | 1501 Del Sol Dr | * | * | * | * | | * | * | 3 | b | * | * |
| 53 | Steeplechase Park | 1500 Balcones Dr | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | 1 | b | * | * |
| 54 | Stoney Hollow Park | 4030 Coldwater Creek Ln | * | | * | | * | * | * | 1 | b | * | * |
| 55 | Suncreek Park | 815 Albright Dr | | | * | | * | | | | | | |
| 56 | Sunset Park | 6301 Midway Rd | * | | * | | | * | * | 1 | b | * | * |
| 57 | Tejas Park | 920 Bass Dr | * | * | * | * | | * | * | 1 | b | * | * |
| 58 | Timber Brook Park | 6622 Norwood Ln | * | * | * | * | | * | * | 1 | b | * | * |
| 59 | Wagon Wheel Park | 6500 Rainier Rd | * | | * | | * | * | * | 2 | b | * | * |
| 60 | Westwood Park | 1001 Westwood Dr | * | * | * | * | | * | * | 1 | b | * | * |
| 61 | White Rock Trail Park | 5500 Channel Isle Dr | | | * | | * | | * | 1 | * | * | * |
| 62 | Willowcreek Park | 2101 Jupiter Rd | | | * | s | * | R | * | 4 | b | * | * |
| 63 | Windhaven Park | 3300 Clark Pkwy | | | * | | * | * | * | 2 | b | * | * |

Cottonwood Creek Greenbelt

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Facility Directory

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| Administration Offices Municipal Center South 1409 Avenue K | 972-941-7250 | Liberty Recreation Center 2601 Glencliff Drive | 972-769-4234 |
| Event Information Line | 972-941-PARK | Oak Point Recreation Center 6000 Jupiter Road | 972-941-7540 |
| Park Service Requests | 972-941-7263 | Outdoor Adventure Program 2601 Glencliff Drive | 972-769-4350 |
| Adult Sports | 972-941-7278 | Pecan Hollow Golf Course 4501 East 14th Street | 972-941-7600 |
| Heritage Yards at Plano 4525 Hedgcoxe Road | 972-712-3930 | Plano Aquatic Center 2301 Westside Drive | 972-769-4232 |
| Carpenter Park Recreation Center 6701 Coit Road | 972-208-8087 | Plano Senior Recreation Center 401 West 16th Street | 972-941-7155 |
| Courtyard Theater 1509 Avenue H | 972-941-5610 | Rowlinson Community Natatorium 1712 Avenue P | 972-941-7670 |
| Creative Arts Division 1517 Avenue H | 972-941-5201 | Therapeutic Recreation 1409 Avenue K | 972-941-7272 |
| Douglass Community Center 1111 Avenue H | 972-941-7174 | Tom Muehlenbeck Center 5801 West Parker Road | 972-769-4404 |
| High Point Park Tennis Center 421 Spring Creek Parkway | 972-941-7170 | Volunteer Resources 1409 Avenue K | 972-941-7114 |
| Interurban Railway Museum 901 East 15th Street | 972-941-2117 | | |
| Jack Carter Pool 2800 Maumelle Drive | 972-208-8081 | | |