

City of Des Moines



Parks, Recreation and Senior Services Programming Update

January 15, 2021

The City of Des Moines recognizes that Parks, Recreation & Senior Services programming is vital to our mental health, important to the community, and something that is sorely missed in these uncertain times. We continue to brainstorm ways to provide the services we all miss in a safe manner, in adherence with the Governor's Healthy Washington guidelines.

We are working with other cities and Parks Departments around King County to share ideas and brainstorm creative ways to safely provide programming later this year. Our virtual Camp KHAOS this past summer was quickly and creatively administered, and received a tremendous amount of positive feedback. Our dedicated staff continue to plan additional on-going virtual activities. The Senior Activity Center is proud to remain a hot lunch meal provider, Monday through Thursday, with a drive up model in place through the winter months.

We will update you with more information as it becomes available. If you have questions please feel free to contact Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation, Nicole Nordholm, nnordholm@desmoineswa.gov or Assistant Recreation Manager, Kyle Ehlers, kehlers@desmoineswa.gov.

As always, the City Council and City staff continue to be dedicated to supporting our residents in this unprecedented time. We will continue to assess ways in which to move forward safely to best serve our community. Thank you for your understanding and your continued support of community safety.