



Town of Oro Valley

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The future of Oro Valley Parks & Recreation is in your hands!

Oro Valley, Arizona (January 15, 2020) – Connection! Every trip to a park, venue or trail has the potential to inspire a connection between Oro Valley residents, visitors and the recreational places and spaces where we gather. To help us meet the current and future needs of residents, the Town of Oro Valley's Parks and Recreation Department needs your ideas!

As part of the Town Council's Strategic Leadership Plan for Fiscal Years (FY) 2019/20 and 20/21, the Council set an objective to perform a comprehensive, community-wide needs assessment. The Council also allocated funding in the FY 2019/20 budget.

The Town has hired a consultant who has set up a project website, www.planyourparksov.com, where residents can share ideas and get project feedback.

The Town is also taking an inventory of parks, programs and amenities within Oro Valley, which will include private (HOA) parks, schools, fitness clubs etc. so that we have a comprehensive picture of what is currently available in our community. That inventory also takes into account current condition of parks, facilities, trails and programs. The data from all of this—your comments, asset inventory, everything—will be used to help develop a system-wide, comprehensive Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

To be successful, we need to hear from you!

Once the information gathering is completed, a final report will be presented to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and Town Council in Spring 2020. The next step is to develop the comprehensive Master Plan. Key to the plan is using all the data that is gathered to develop a strong system that our residents want, and a reasonable plan to bring that vision to fruition. The plan will include strategies and priorities for funding, program development, and strategic partnerships. As you may recall, Oro Valley Town Council made the decision to retain 36 holes of golf, and that decision will stand. Input will, however, be used to develop conceptual site plans for Naranja Park, James D. Kriegh Park, Riverfront Park, Steam Pump Ranch and the Community Center.

How to participate:

Visit www.planyourparksov.com, click on the *Participate* tab and submit your comments. Be sure to bookmark this on your browser to view upcoming events and follow project updates.

The Town will also host a community meeting on Thursday, January 23 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall Council Chambers, 11000 N. La Cañada Drive. The meeting will start with a 30-minute presentation about the project and then open up for public discussion so we can hear from you.

You'll also see the Parks and Recreation team at a booth or table at some of your favorite community events. Check the event times and locations on the project website, and then stop by and chat with them!

For more information contact call (520) 229-2711 or email ask@orovalleyaz.gov.

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