



# CITY OF HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND STATUS & INFORMATION REPORT NO. 13 FOR 2023

April 7, 2023

To Members of the City Council:

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

To obtain City Department or City Boards and Commissions meeting information, please visit <https://www.hagerstownmd.org/27/Government>. We encourage you to visit our website at <https://www.hagerstownmd.org> for all City-related updates. Other inquiries may be made by visiting the City Resident 311 page at <https://www.hagerstownmd.org/841/Services>.

<h3 style="margin: 0;">APRIL 2023</h3> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: small;">For additional information and a complete list of City events, please visit our Calendar of Events on the City's website at <a href="http://www.hagerstownmd.org/calendar.aspx">http://www.hagerstownmd.org/calendar.aspx</a></p>						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4 4 pm Work Session	5 4 pm Hagerstown Planning Commission Workshop Meeting	6 4:30 pm Hagerstown Historic District Commission Meeting	7 <b>FREE PARKING</b> A&E Parking Deck & University Parking Deck	8 <b>FREE PARKING</b> A&E Parking Deck & University Parking Deck
9 	10	11 9 am to 3 pm Catherine Pfeilsticker – Deferred Comp Representative  4pm Work Session	12	13 4 pm Board of Traffic & Parking Meeting  7pm Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting	14	15
16	17	18 4 pm Work Session	19	20	21	22
23 <hr style="width: 80px; margin: 0 auto;"/>	24	25 7 pm Regular Session	26 7 pm Hagerstown Planning Commission Meeting	27 4:30 pm Hagerstown Historic District Commission Meeting	28	29
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## COMMUNICATIONS

### **This Week's Headlines & Media Releases:**

- Two More Inmates Plea in July 2020 Jail Riot
- Future of Digital Ad Tax Designed to Fund Schools Remains Uncertain
- Maryland's State ... Spirit? A New Drive to Christen its Rye Whiskey
- Comings & Goings: Vintage Shop to Open for Season in Greencastle, PA
- How Much to Rent a Park Pavilion? Or the Ag Center? Maybe More Soon
- Prosecutor: Hagerstown Man was Overcharged in 2022 Fight
- Jackson to Replace Robucci as Election Director
- Two State Inmates Plead in Prison Yard Fight with Roxbury Officers
- Washington County Sheriff's Office Warns of Latest Scam
- Frederick Sheriff, Firearms Dealer Indicted on Gun Charges
- WCPS: Rockland Woods Student Shows Handgun on School Bus Wednesday
- Press Release: Parks & Rec Community Yard Sale This Saturday!
- Press Release: Hager House German Easter Tours Start Friday
- Trash, Recycling & Yard Waste Advisory: Good Friday

### **This Week's Video Projects**

- Mayor & Council Special & Work Sessions
- "Council WRap" Segment
- Script transcription, translation for Spanish version of the "State of the City" Video

### **Channel 25 Hub City Now Programming:**

- Mayor & Council Meeting
- "Council WRap"
- Chamber "State of the City" Event
- Trash Tote Educational/Instructional Video
- Invest Hagerstown Video
- "Building City Park Lake" Video Series
- First Hose Company of Hagerstown Museum Video Series
- "Council WRap" Promo
- Fit Room :30 Spot
- MTA Commuter Connection

### **City Website:**

- [www.hagerstownmd.org](http://www.hagerstownmd.org) attracted 10,189 user visits for the week of Mar. 30-Apr. 5
- The most popular top entrances (the first page users accessed on the website):

1. Home Page	2,364
2. Utility Billing Page	761
3. Police Page	741
4. Online Payment Portal Page	624
5. Parks & Recreation Page	264
6. Skate Park Page	209
7. Bids Page	179
8. Firefighters Page	150
9. Hager House Museum Page	109
10. Community Yard Sale Page	107

- Top searches
  1. "True"
  2. "Online payment portal"
  3. "Police"
  4. "Building permits"
  5. "Parks & recreation"

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

- Attended Main Street America Conference in Boston, MA last week
- New banners on light poles have been installed
- Launching new business directory for small businesses within the next few weeks
- Handmade Hagerstown Spring Market is happening on Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup> from 10AM-2PM at University Plaza

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**ENGINEERING**

1. **Pavement Preservation** – Craig Paving has completed the majority of the patches, and is beginning work on milling and paving the streets on the overlay list. This work is expected to continue through the end of May.
2. **City Hall Elevator** – Staff opened bids for the project to replace the secondary elevator, which has been out of service for more than one year. Callas Contractors was the only bidder at \$575,000. Staff is evaluating potential deductions to reduce the cost, and will present a recommendation to Council on April 18th.
3. **32 N. Potomac Street** – interior demolition is approximately 90% complete, and framing for new walls and partitions is being installed. Staff met with the general contractor and representatives of M&T Bank regarding the relocation of the existing ATM; this work is scheduled for completion in early May.
4. **Wheaton Park Improvements** – the contractor is continuing site preparations for new utility services to the proposed misting pad, and is installing storm drainage facilities that will connect to the existing drainage system along Pennsylvania Avenue.
5. **Engineering Statistics**

Description	Week of 04/03/23	Calendar Year 2023 TOTALS
Traffic complaints received	4	46
Work Orders completed	1	39
Traffic counts completed	2	6
<b>Construction Projects</b>		
Description	Week of 04/03/23	Calendar Year 2023 TOTALS
Construction Projects advertised for bids	0	3
RFP's Advertised	0	3
Projects under construction	15	--
Projects completed	1	4

## FIRE

Week of 3/26/23 – 4/1/23			
Total Incidents (City only)	59	Mutual Aid to surrounding FDs	11
• Unit Responses	131	• Halfway FD	2
• Fire/Rescue Responses	41	• Maugansville FD	0
• EMS Responses	18	• Funkstown FD	3
Inspections/System Tests	39	• Longmeadow FD	1
Community Events, Smoke Alarm Installs	2	• Other	5

3/28/23 – HFD responded to 502 Lynnhaven Drive, Pangborn Apts, for an apartment fire. Crews arrived and found a working fire in a bedroom in the apartment. Fire was extinguished and contained to the bedroom. Multiple families were displaced by the fire. No injuries reported.

3/29/23 – HFD responded to 140 W Franklin St for an automatic fire alarm. Upon investigation, a small fire was found in an electrical panel in the elevator control room. Fire was contained to the panel with no extension.

4/1/23 – HFD responded to the 400 block of N Potomac St for a reported house fire. Crews arrived and found an AC unit on fire. Fire was quickly extinguished with no extension into the house.

## PLANNING & CODE ADMINISTRATION

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

Calls for Service:	1682	Field Interviews:	4
Arrests/Warrants Served:	27	Moving Violations:	19
Domestic Violence Calls:	19	Safety Repair Orders:	3
DUI Arrests:	2	Warnings:	57
Reports Filed:	121		

**Media Release:** On Monday April 3rd, 2023 at approximately 7:26PM Officers of the Hagerstown City Police Department responded to the Unit block of North Cannon Avenue for a victim suffering from a gunshot wound. Officers arrived on scene and provided medical aid to the victim prior to the arrival of Halfway Ambulance Service and Hagerstown Fire Department who took over providing medical attention to the victim. The victim was transported to the Meritus Medical Center with non-life[1]threatening injuries. This incident is isolated and there is no public safety concern at this time. This is an ongoing investigation. Anyone with information about the shooting is asked to contact Detective Vogel at 301-790-3700 ext. 241 or at [dvogel@hagerstownpd.org](mailto:dvogel@hagerstownpd.org).

**MCIN Update:**

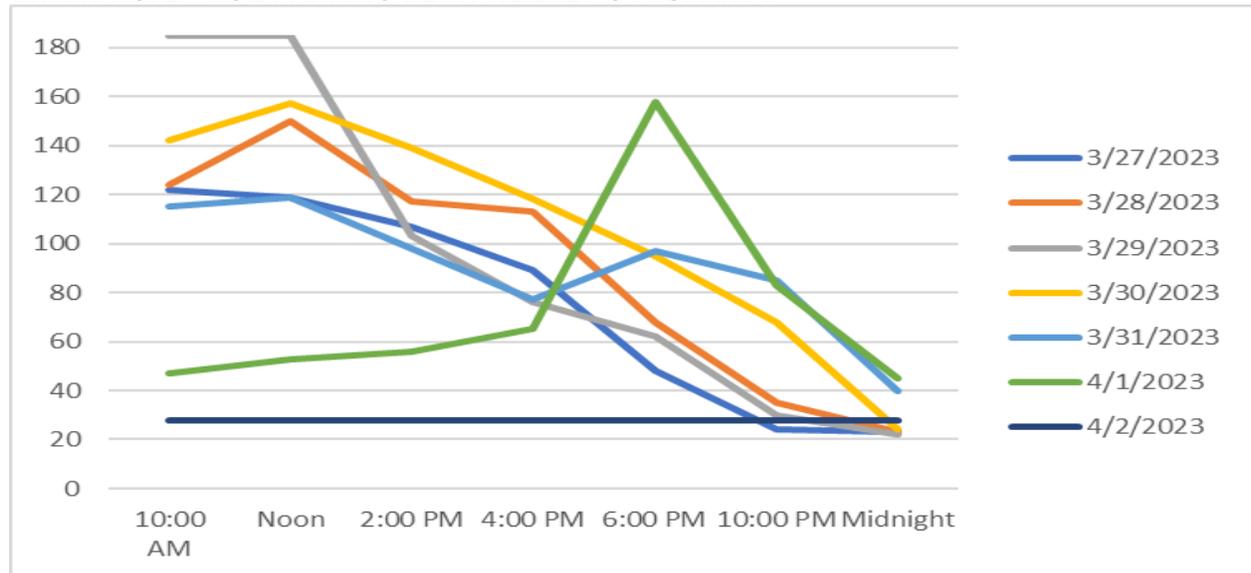
In April HPD will start collaborating with DJS and Potomac Case Management/Juvenile Diversion to host an event for juveniles similar to the adult re-entry call-ins. These call-ins are a collaborative effort where HPD, either Parole and Probation or DJS/Juvenile Diversion (depending if it is adult or juvenile call-in), and partner community organizations come together to provide support and services to those under supervision so that these individuals can successfully return as productive members of the community. HPD's MCIN Coordinator has also been reaching out to employers in the community and is planning to host an Offender Friendly Job Fair the third Wednesday of each month.

## PUBLIC WORKS

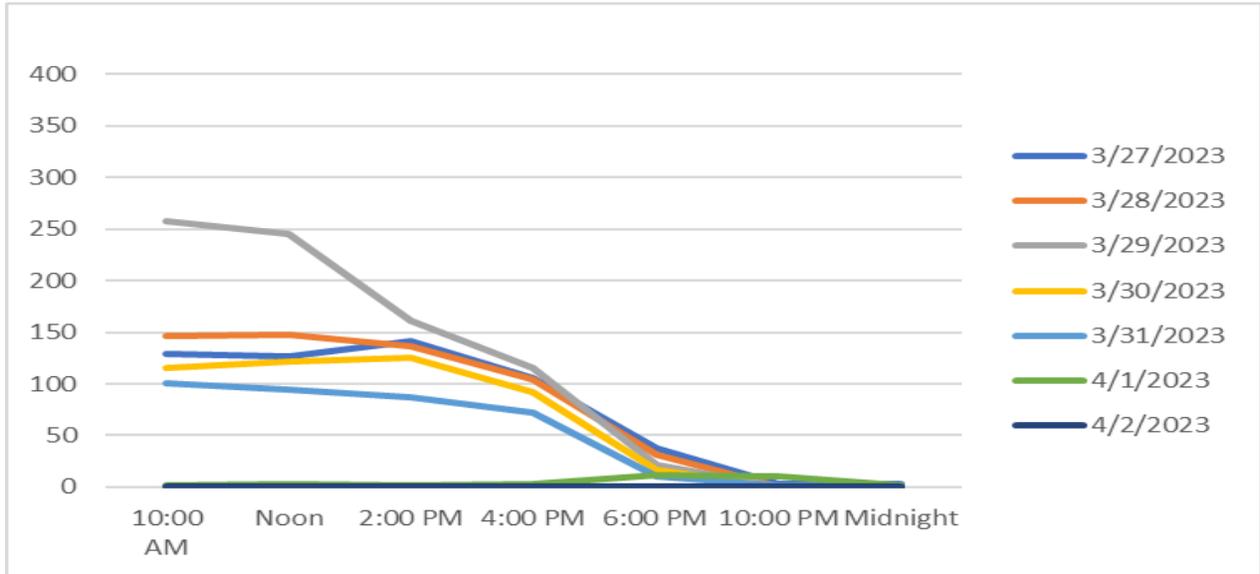
**CHART NO. 1 – GENERAL PARKING SYSTEM DATA**

		Current Week	Previous Week
<b>Number of Permit Holders</b>	A & E Deck	247	247
	University District Deck	255	255
<b>Number of Student Permits</b>	Central & Rochester Lots	48	48
<b>Number of Patrons Using Decks</b>	A & E Deck	1740	1861
	University District Deck	1458	1292
<b>Number of Citations Issued</b>	(Includes Warnings)	270	164
<b>Late Payment Notifications</b>		10	6
<b>Peak Occupancy (%)</b>	A & E Deck	100% We@ 10AM We @ Noon	100% Sa@ 6PM
<b>Peak Occupancy (%)</b>	University District Deck	59% We @10AM	35%Tu@10AM Th @ Noon

**CHART NO. 2 – A&E PARKING DECK WEEKLY OCCUPANCY**



**CHART NO. 3 – UD PARKING DECK WEEKLY OCCUPANCY**



**CENTRAL MAINTENANCE GARAGE REPAIR DATA**

	Current Week	Previous Week
DCED	0	0
Planning & Code	1	2
Fire	0	0
Engineering	0	0
Parks & Recreation	1	2
Public Works	10	15
Police	2	4
Water	5	6
Wastewater	1	0
Light	1	5
Human Resources	0	0
<b>Weekly Totals</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>Yearly Total</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>273</b>

**STREET SWEEPING DATA**

Month for 2023	Number of Miles of Streets Swept
January	687
February	597
March	890
<b>Total Miles Swept for 2023</b>	<b>2174</b>

**BULK TRASH COLLECTIONS**

Month for 2023	Number of Collections
January	25
February	19
March	32
<b>Total Bulk Trash Collections for 2023</b>	<b>76</b>

## PROPERTY ABATEMENTS COMPLETED

Month for 2023	Number of Property Abatements
January	14
February	13
March	21
<b>Total Abatements by PW for 2023</b>	<b>48</b>

## AFTER HOURS CALL BACKS

Friday, March 31, 2023 @ 3:15PM: Report of large amount of clothing on sidewalk and in street at corner of Mulberry St. and Randolph Ave. Staff could not locate any clothing at described location or nearby area.

Saturday, April 1, 2023 @ 4:54PM: Park attendant reported theft of leaf blower off the back of the gator by group of juveniles. Theft was reported to HPD. Staff made other park attendants aware of what had happened and to be vigilant. The leaf blower was later found and returned by a park visitor.

Sunday, April 2, 2023 @ 10:45AM: Dispatch reported tree down at North Ave. and Sumans Ave. A tree was blocking part of Sumans Ave. but traffic was still able to navigate around the tree. The tree was from a private property and being removed by agents of owner when staff arrived on scene.

Sunday, April 2, 2023 @ Noon: Parks reported tree down and blocking the roadway at Highland Dr. Staff confirmed tree was blocking roadway. Operator was called in to make area safe to navigate.

## PARKS AND RECREATION

### City Events – Month of April

- Yard Sale, 4/8/2023, Stables at Fairgrounds Park
- Mannafest, 4/8/2023, University Plaza
- Handmade Hagerstown, 4/15/2023, University Plaza
- Rock the Run, 4/22/2023, Fairgrounds Park/Streets
- 100 Miler Final Mile Walk, 4/22/2023, City Park Train Hub
- Cleanup for Earth Day, 4/22/2023, Downtown/Meet University Plaza
- Earth Day and Arbor Day, 4/22/2023, Hager House
- Victims' Rights Awareness Color Splash Walk, 4/28/2023, Fairgrounds Park

### Fit Room

See Fit Room report attached with upcoming classes. No private rentals this weekend.

### Hager House

Staff is preparing for season opening this Friday and Saturday with German Easter Tours April 7, 8, 14 & 15. Tours on the hour from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. For more info <https://www.hagerstownmd.org/309/Jonathan-Hager-House-Museum>

### Outdoor Programs

- Beginners and First Timers Skateboard Lessons at the Skate Park, Saturdays 8 a.m. – 10 a.m.

### Virtual Classes

- Yoga, new series on 4/4/2023
- Strength Training, new series on 4/6/2023
- Dance Fitness, new series on 4/8/2023

## Golf Course

April happenings:

- Spark Golf League, begins Thursday, April 20 and continues Thursday at 5 p.m. through end of August
- Twilight Special – Mon/Tues/Wednesday after 3 p.m., 9 holes/cart, \$35/2 players
- ThirsTEE Thursdays - \$1 off beer after 5 p.m.

## UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

### ELECTRIC DIVISION

### WASTEWATER DIVISION

#### Wastewater Treatment Plant at Frederick Street

Date	Flow (mgd)	Rainfall (inches)
Wednesday, Mar 29, 2023	5.67	0.00
Thursday, Mar 30, 2023	5.57	0.00
Friday, Mar 31, 2023	5.40	0.00
Saturday, Apr 1, 2023	5.30	0.01
Sunday, Apr 2, 2023	5.20	0.00
Monday, Apr 3, 2023	5.37	0.00
Tuesday, Apr 4, 2023	5.29	0.00
Weekly – Avg. Flow/Total Rainfall	5.40	0.01
Mar - Avg. Flow/Total Rainfall	5.80	2.26
Apr - Avg. Flow/Total Rainfall	5.29	0.01

- Troubleshooting of #2 Pista Grit at bar screen.
- Removed Parkson airlifts, clean and replace as needed.
- Replaced gear reducer on screw conveyor.
- Replaced bearing carrier on #2 grit classifier
- Routine MVP Plant Work orders & Corrective Work Orders.

#### Wastewater Collection

##### SSES Weekly Progress

Activity	Districts	L. F. main	Feet of lateral	# Inspected
CCTV Inspections	8, 30, 37, 15, 2	1,009.2	473	22
Flushing	33, 34	6,753		
Main & Lateral		1	Roots	6

#### Collection System Maintenance Tasks

- Cleaned storm drains for Public Works.
- Cleaned trucks and maintenance equipment.
- CCTV at Northern Avenue for overlay.
- Flushed Districts 33 and 34.
- Blacktopped Crescent Road.
- Grinder pump check at 11211 Eastwood Drive.
- Worked on Homa pumps in shop.

- Checked Pump Stations 21 and 10.
- CCTV, dug and replace lateral at 316 Belview Avenue.
- Patch and blacktop at 27 Laurel Street.
- Marked for Miss Utility at Robinwood Drive.
- Emergency dig at 232 Bryan Place.
- Assisted with hydro on manhole.
- Grinder pump alarm light wiring issue at 11026 Eastwood Drive.
- Generator issue at PS # 26.
- Collected Newgate numbers.

<b>Wastewater Division – Customer Call Log Summary 2023</b>							
<b>Type</b>	<b>Blockages</b>	<b>Grinder Pumps</b>	<b>Odor Complaints</b>	<b>Flushing</b>	<b>WW Pump Station</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Totals</b>
Weekly	4	2	0	0	0	5	11
<b>YTD 2023</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>132</b>

### **Engineering**

- Review of Site Development and City Permit Drawings.
- Gathering information for service inquiries.
- Updating GIS databases completed with water projects.

### **Lab**

- Process and regulatory testing were routine for the week.
- Completed weekly QC (pH, Cl, Conductivity) on DI water.
- Completed monthly QC (TOC, Ammonia, HPC) on DI water.
- Collected NWWWS Program samples for CDC-Biobot COVID monitoring.
- Collected WastewaterSCAN Program samples for pathogen monitoring.
- Completed monthly QC balance check.
- Completed quarterly QC Autoclave timing check.
- Submitted monthly invoice to WastewaterSCAN program.
- Received Quote from ERA for DMRQA-43.

### **Environmental Coordinator & Pretreatment**

- Attended Program Insite meeting with MDE and other entities.
- Reviewed QA/QC laboratory temperature logs for March.
- Submitted March Monitoring reports for Water: Bacteriological Monitoring, IOC-Nitrate and Fluoride, and 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Disinfectant Residuals.
- Submitted Sierra Nevada draft permit renewal to MDE for approval.
- Working on 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter MAHL reporting.
- Received new industry permit application from First Breach-under review.
- Scheduled MDE Audit and Inspection in May.
- Historical document organization and filing.

**WATER DIVISION**

**Plant Flows - System Demand (MGD)**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Willson</u>	<u>Breichner</u>	<u>Total</u>
03/30/23	10.39		10.39
03/31/23	10.48		10.48
04/01/23	10.17		10.17
04/02/23	10.54		10.54
04/03/23	10.93		10.93
04/04/23	11.42		11.42
04/05/23	11.60		11.60
		<b>Average:</b>	<b>10.79</b>

**Water Production at R. C. Willson & Pump Station Distribution**

- Staff worked on facility maintenance and routine preventative maintenance.

**Water Production at Breichner / Edgemont Reservoir**

The Edgemont Reservoir pool elevation is currently at 4.17 ft. Site evaluation continues per the contract with Hazen and Triad. City staff and Hazen and Sawyer continue to work with MDE Dam Safety on the final Dam Evaluation Report, design criteria and project schedule.

**Water Distribution**

- Staff performed customer service work and new meter installations as needed.
- Staff continued replacement of residential meters throughout the water service area.
- Staff repaired a main break on Michigan Avenue.

**Laboratory**

- Process and regulatory testing were routine for the week.
- Prepared Bacteriological Monitoring Report for March.
- Prepared Annual IOC report for fluoride and nitrate.
- Submitted March sampling set to prep-data system to MDE and EPA.
- Collected samples for bacteriological monitoring for April.
- Collected composite sample from lagoon discharge.
- Collected one (1) line test sample.
- Collected and tested samples at business with water quality concern. We determined it was a fire line issue and it's being addressed by the facility. We will continue to work with them in bringing system back online after repairs are made.
- Addressed customer inquiry regarding water quality.
- Collected Monthly TOC sample from R.C. Willson WTP.
- Sent out e-mail verifications and water quality report data to Consecutive Water Systems.
- Sent out Laboratory Capability Form to DWSP and Fairfax Water.

**Engineering**

- Construction inspection of ongoing projects
- Review of City permit and site plan drawings
- Review of County building permits
- Updating GIS mapping
- Concept design of upcoming capital improvement projects

Respectfully submitted,



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City Administrator

**FIT ROOM SCHEDULE \* FLYERS \* PICTURES ON NEXT PAGE**



*Team "Maryland" at Main Street America Conference in Boston, Massachusetts*



*New Downtown Hagerstown banners being installed*

# Fit Room at Fairgrounds Park at Fairgrounds Park

## Monthly Calendar For April 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b> 9:30a-10:30a Zumba Basic #7890 10:45a-11:15a Zumba Toning #7893 11:30a-12:30p Aerial Tricks #8017 4p-9p Birthday Party
<b>2</b> 7a-11a Gymnastics for Kids, Preteam #8061 11a-12p Gymnastics for Kids #8043 1p-2p Aerial Stretch #7983	<b>3</b> 4:30p-5:30p Zumba #8069 5:45p-6:45p Mind & Body: Embody Yoga -- 7953 7:15p-8:30p Belly Dance Technique & Choreography #7994	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 5:45p-6:45p Mind & Body: Embody Yoga -- 7953	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 3:15p-4:45p Gymnastics for Kids, Intermediate #8055 4:45p-5:45p Gymnastics for Kids #8049 6p-10p Block- Easter Holiday	<b>8</b> 2p-8p Block- Easter Holiday
<b>9</b> 2p-8p Block- Easter Holiday	<b>10</b> 4:30p-5:30p Zumba #8069 5:45p-6:45p Mind & Body: Embody Yoga -- 7953 7:15p-8:30p Belly Dance Technique & Choreography #7994	<b>11</b> 5p-8p Basic Life Saver Certification #8080	<b>12</b> 11a-2:30p CPR and First Aid #7947 5:45p-6:45p Mind & Body: Embody Yoga -- 7953	<b>13</b> 4p-4:30p Princess Ballerina #8029 4:45p-5:15p Ballet & Acro #8032 6p-7p Yoga Nidra #8089	<b>14</b> 3:15p-4:45p Gymnastics for Kids, Intermediate #8055 4:45p-5:45p Gymnastics for Kids #8049 6p-7p Afro Beats Dance #8030 7:15p-8:15p Aerial Stretch #7961	<b>15</b> 10a-11a Zumba #8067 11:30a-12:30p Aerial Tricks #8018 2:30p-3:30p Gentle Yoga for Beginners #7957 4p-8p Baby Shower- Angela Mathis
<b>16</b> 7a-11a Gymnastics for Kids, Preteam #8061 11a-12p Gymnastics for Kids #8043 1p-2p Aerial Stretch #7984	<b>17</b> 4:30p-5:30p Zumba #8069 5:45p-6:45p Mind & Body: Embody Yoga -- 7953 7:15p-8:30p Belly Dance Technique & Choreography #7994	<b>18</b> 4:45p-6:45p Jump for Inclusion (Kidz Korner) #8034	<b>19</b> 5:45p-6:45p Mind & Body: Embody Yoga -- 7953	<b>20</b> 4p-4:30p Princess Ballerina #8029 4:45p-5:15p Ballet & Acro #8032	<b>21</b> 3:15p-4:45p Gymnastics for Kids, Intermediate #8055 4:45p-5:45p Gymnastics for Kids #8049 6p-7p Afro Beats Dance #8030 7:15p-8:15p Aerial Stretch #7962	<b>22</b> 10a-11a Zumba #8067 2:30p-3:30p Gentle Yoga for Beginners #7957
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# Fit Room at Fairgrounds Park at Fairgrounds Park

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