



CITY OF HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND STATUS & INFORMATION REPORT NO. 14 FOR 2024

To Members of the City Council:

April 5, 2024

APRIL 2024

*For additional information and a complete list of City events, please visit our
Calendar of Events on the City's website at <http://www.hagerstownmd.org/calendar.aspx>*

Questions about any of the Downtown Event listed, please email events@downtownhagerstown.org

**Visit Hagerstown Parks & Recreation website and flip through the Spring/Summer 2024 digital Program Guide
<https://www.hagerstownmd.org/145/Parks-Recreation>**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
•	1	2 Mayor & Council Work Session 4 PM	3	4	5 April 5 thru October 5 Friday/Saturday City Park Train Hub Museum & Steam Engine 202 10 AM to 4 PM	6 Hagerstown Youth Council's Charge for Change Event Fairgrounds Park 10 AM to 2 PM ----- German Easter Tours Held April 5 and April 6 10 AM to 4 PM (Last Tour at 3 PM)
7	8 Solar Eclipse Viewing Party University Plaza 2 PM to 4 PM Eclipse estimated time at 3:20 PM	9 Mayor & Council Work Session 4 PM	10	11	12 Garden Volunteer Day 4 PM to 5 PM Historic Garden – Hager House at City Park Great way for students to earn SSL Hours	13 Community Yard Sale Fairgrounds Park 7 AM to 2 PM
14	15	16 National League of Cities visiting Hagerstown as part of the Centennial Roadshow: 100 Years, 100 Cities ----- No Mayor & Council Meeting Scheduled	17	18	19	20 Hub City 100 Miler Final Mile Walk City Park Train Hub 9 AM to 10:30 AM ----- Arbor Day/Earth Day Jonathan Hager House 11 AM to 1 PM
21	22	23 Mayor & Council Regular Session 7 PM	24	25	26 DECADES Music Series Headliner: The Cruisers University Plaza 6 PM to 8 PM ----- Thunder in the Square 5 PM to 9 PM	27 Handmade Hagerstown Spring Market University Plaza & Elizabeth Hager Parking Lot 10 AM to 4 PM
28	29	30 Mayor & Council Work Session 4 PM				

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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>.

Mayor and City Council

- Work Session - Tuesday, April 2 – 4 PM
- Work Session - Tuesday, April 9 – 4 PM
- Work Session - Tuesday, April 16 – 4 PM
- Regular Session - Tuesday, April 23 – 7 PM
- No Meeting Scheduled - Tuesday, April 30 – 7 PM

Board of Traffic & Parking

Thursday, April 11 – 4 PM

Board of Zoning Appeals

Thursday, April 11 – 7 PM

Historic District Commission

Thursday, April 11 – 4:30 PM
Thursday, April 25 – 4 PM

Planning Commission

Wednesday, April 10 – 4 PM
Wednesday, April 25 – 7 PM

COMMUNICATIONS

This Week's Headlines & Media Releases:

- Columbia Gas to Inspect Pipelines in the City via Closed Circuit TV Cameras
- Water Service Line Inventory Survey
- Press Release: Traffic Advisory: S. Burhans Blvd.
- Traffic Advisory: Bowman Avenue
- Traffic Advisory: N. Potomac Street (Revised)

This Week's Video Projects

- Mayor & City Council Work Session

Channel 25 Hub City Now Programming:

- Mayor & Council Meeting
- "Council wRap"
- "State of the City" Event Presentation
- Invest Hagerstown Promo
- Water 101 Video
- "Visit Hagerstown" Promo
- Fit Room :30 Promo

City Website:

- www.hagerstownmd.org attracted 7,578 user visits for the week of March 28-April 3
- The most popular top entrances (the first page users accessed on the website):

1.	Home Page	2886
2.	Online Payment Portal Page	2,323
3.	Utility Billing Page	1,153
4.	Search Page	731
5.	Police Page	457
6.	Jobs Page	410
7.	Parks & Recreation Page	404
8.	Collection Schedules & Zoning Maps	365
9.	Bid Postings Page	275
10.	Trash & Recycling	256

Top searches:

- City of Hagerstown
- Hagerstown Light Department
- Hagerstown
- Hagerstown MD
- City of Hagerstown Utilities
- City of Hagerstown Jobs

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- Congratulations to Amanda Gregg and Sue Kyler from DCED for winning the 2024 Taste of Downtown gift card giveaway!
- National League of Cities will be visiting the City of Hagerstown on Tuesday, April 16th as part of their Centennial Roadshow: 100 Years, 100 Cities
- Solar Eclipse Viewing Party will take place on Monday, April 8th from 2-4 PM at University Plaza—come join us!
- The Hagerstown Cultural Trail brochure has been updated. Contact Community Engagement if you would like copies!
- Met with planning committee for HAGERFEST Arts & Music Festival
- Submitted application for MSAC grant funding for A&E district

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Community Development

The Hagerstown Youth Council is presenting their first ever event on Saturday, April 6th from 10am-2pm! Join us at Fairgrounds Park for a 3K fun run, followed by guest speakers, student performances, community resource vendors, games, and more! We hope to see you there! [Click here to register now!](#)

Department Representation at Events

Last week the DCED team toured the Wastewater Treatment Facility to learn about this vital resource.

ENGINEERING

1. **Meritus Park** – staff has ordered new wayfinding signage to direct patrons from the downtown parking decks and lots to the stadium. SHA is also working on installing signage on I-70 and Route 40 to direct people into downtown and toward the stadium.

2. **Trash Carts** – carts have been delivered to all residents in the City. Staff is responding to telephone and e-mail requests from residents to obtain different sized carts, or additional carts; staff would estimate that we have received more than 2,000 calls to the Hagerstown Recycles hotline.

3. **Pavement Preservation** – Craig Paving, Inc. completed the milling and paving of the eastbound lanes of Northern Avenue between Pennsylvania Avenue and the CSX railroad tracks. In the coming week they plan to mill and pave S. Burhans Boulevard between Wesel Boulevard and Elgin Boulevard. Work on this program will continue through the rest of the spring.

4. **Engineering Statistics**

Description	Week of 04/01/24	Calendar Year 2024 TOTALS
Traffic complaints received	5	48
Work Orders completed	5	41
Traffic counts completed	2	6
Construction Projects		
Description	Week of 04/01/24	Calendar Year 2024 TOTALS
Construction Projects advertised for bids	0	2
RFP's Advertised	0	3
Projects under construction	16	16
Projects completed	0	1

FIRE

3/27/24 – 4/2/24

Total Incidents (City only)	78	Mutual Aid to surrounding FDs	7
• Unit Responses	166	• Halfway FD	1
• Fire/Rescue Responses	45	• Maugansville FD	1
• EMS Responses	33	• Funkstown FD	2
Inspections/System Tests	26	• Longmeadow FD	0
Community Events, Smoke Alarm Installs	3	• Other	3

Significant Incidents

3/30/24 - *Brush/Rubbish Fire* – Engine 2 responded for an outside fire to the rear of the old Moller Pipe Organ building on North Prospect Street. Engine 2 and Captain 32 found a large fire along the railroad tracks to the rear of the property. Two additional engines and a ladder truck were requested to the scene to assist. Crews struggled to gain access to the seat of the fire, as there was a large pile of demolition debris burning on the side of a steep hill. The aerial ladder on Truck 4 was used to extend over the hill and penetrate into the pile of debris, while other hoselines simultaneously worked from the lower railroad side. With all hoselines working, the fire was brought under control. There were no injuries reported.



3/27/24 - *Working Vehicle Fire* – HFD and Co. 26 units responded for a vehicle fire in the Lowes parking lot on Wesel Blvd. Crews arrived and found a fully involved passenger van with a running fuel fire. The fire was brought under control with no injuries to personnel.

3/27/24 - *Fire in Middle School* – HFD and automatic aid companies responded to the E. Russell Hicks Middle School for a reported fire in the school. Crews arrived and investigated to find a water heater on fire in the basement of the school. The fire was quickly contained with no extension. Luckily, school was already out for the day, so no students had to be evacuated.

3/27/24 - *Vehicle into a Building* – HFD units and the collapse unit from Washington County DES responded for a vehicle into a building at the office building at 265 Mill St. Engine 1 and Battalion Chief 3 arrived to confirm one vehicle into the front of the building with three occupants still inside the vehicle. Heavy duty rescue struts were utilized to shore the building and prevent further collapse. Once the rescue struts were in place, occupants were assisted out of the vehicle with no injuries. There was no one injured inside the building. Crews then turned the scene over to the property manager.

PUBLIC WORKS

CHART NO. 1 – GENERAL PARKING SYSTEM DATA

		Current Week	Previous Week
Number of Permit Holders	A & E Deck	208	208
	University District Deck	299	298
Number of Student Permits	Central & Rochester Lots	65	70
Number of Patrons Using Decks	A & E Deck	1135	1944
	University District Deck	1422	1576
Number of Citations Issued	(Includes Warnings)	271	254
Peak Occupancy (%)	A & E Deck	85% Tu @ 6 PM	99% Fr @ Noon
Peak Occupancy (%)	University District Deck	49% We @ Noon	60% Tu @ 10AM

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

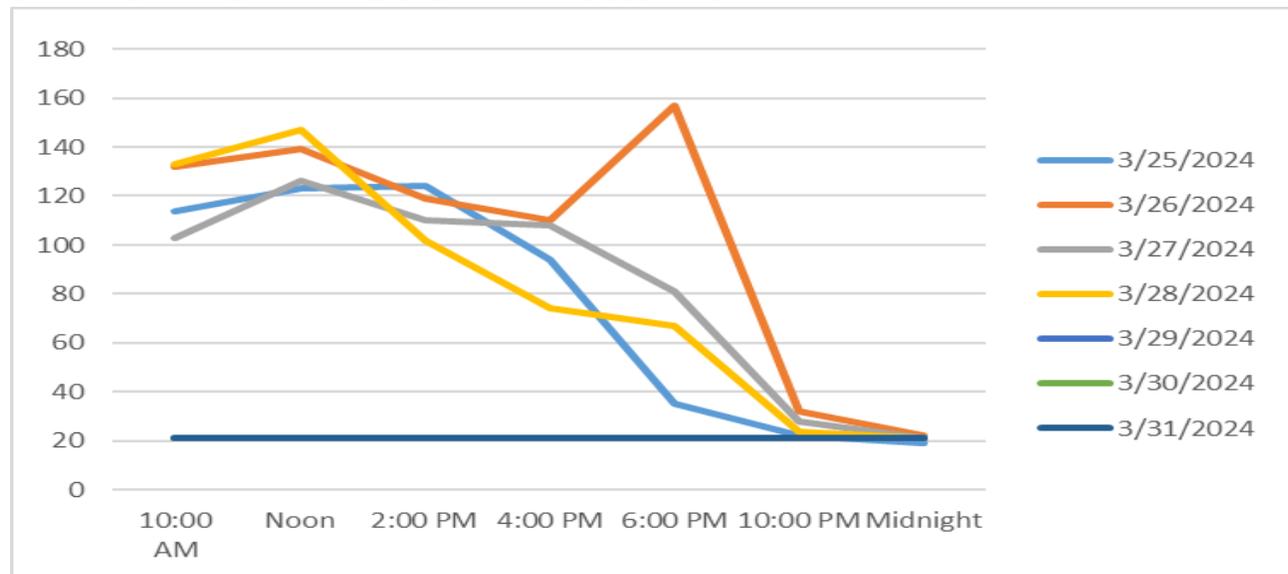
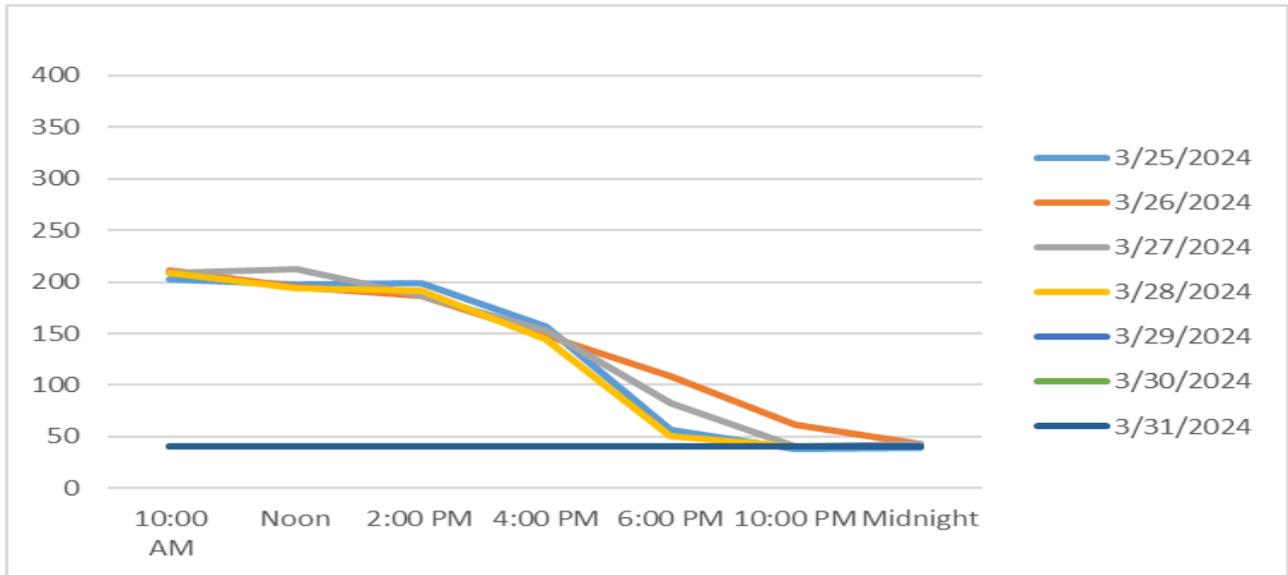


CHART NO. 3 – UD PARKING DECK WEEKLY OCCUPANCY



CENTRAL MAINTENANCE GARAGE REPAIR DATA

	Current Week	Previous Week
DCED	0	0
Planning & Code	0	0
Fire	0	0
Engineering	0	0
Parks & Recreation	1	1
Public Works	5	3
Police	8	2
Water	5	0
Wastewater	0	4
Light	5	2
Human Resources	0	0
Weekly Totals	24	12
Yearly Total	249	225

AFTER HOURS CALL BACKS

Friday, March 29, 2024 @ 9:45 AM: It was reported that the intersection at Garland Groh Blvd. and Biltrite Way was in active flash. Staff confirmed condition and a technician was able to re-set the intersection to normal operation.

Saturday, March 30, 2024 @ Noon: Report of a dead animal on sidewalk at northbound Pennsylvania Ave. just past City Line, Staff removed carcass.

PARKS AND RECREATION

2024 Spring/Summer – *NEW PROGRAMS*

In partnership with the Pediatric Movement Center, new adaptive and inclusive programs begin next week in the Fit Room including Empowered Gymnastics, Inspired Soccer, Gym Fit, Inspired Movement and Creative Movement. See all of our programs here:

<https://www.hagerstownmd.org/905/Recreation-Programs>

Fit Room

See Fit Room report attached with weekly recreation classes. No private rentals are scheduled for this weekend.

Hager House & City Park Train Hub – *open for the season*

Drop in for a German Easter Tour at the Jonathan Hager House or the City Park Train Hub on Fridays and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Both sites are now open for the season.

Outdoor Programs

- Parkour, Fridays at 4pm, at Fairgrounds Park
- Skateboarding Lessons, Saturdays, 8am – 10am

Park Events

- Saturday, April 6, Charge for Change at Fairgrounds Park, 10am – 2pm
- Saturday, April 6, Skateboarding Contest at the Skatepark, 3pm-5pm

UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

ELECTRIC DIVISION

Service Calls

- Tues. 4/2 - 1400 Salem Avenue – total outage; the Customer’s main breaker tripped.
Time Out: 15.8-16.4
- Rear garage, 915 Kuhn Avenue – lines down; the customer’s service attachment point pulled loose from the garage. The facilities were made safe until repairs can be completed by an electrician. Time Out: 16.4-17.4

Lamps Replaced	New Fixtures Added	Changeouts	Fixtures Removed
0	0	0	0

- Multiple permit reviews and service upgrades requests have been reviewed and/or completed.
- Review and data exchange to the consulting firm continues for the cost-of-service study as they come closer to a new retail rate design sustain operations. The timeline for filing testimony at the Maryland Public Service Commission to adjust these rates by the end of this month is on track.

WASTEWATER DIVISION

Wastewater Treatment Plant at Frederick Street

Date	Flow (mgd)	Rainfall (inches)
Wednesday, March 27, 2024	7.08	0.00
Thursday, March 28, 2024	6.90	0.00
Friday, March 29, 2024	6.61	0.00
Saturday, March 30, 2024	6.39	0.07
Sunday, March 31, 2024	6.31	0.00
Monday, April 1, 2024	7.77	0.67
Tuesday, April 2, 2024	9.65	0.80
Weekly – Avg. Flow/Total Rainfall	7.24	1.54
March – Avg. Flow/Total Rainfall	7.95	3.01
April – Avg. Flow/Total Rainfall	8.71	1.47

- Fabricated SS parts for #1 Bar Screen
- Located spare fiber optic strands from ASPS to Operations building
- Troubleshooting/replaced ballast cards in UV system
- Worked with MTD on K Panel HMI display
- Routine MVP Plant Work orders & Corrective Work Orders

Wastewater Collection

SSES Weekly Progress

Activity	Districts	L. F. main	Feet of lateral	# Inspected
CCTV Inspections	Truck at CMG			
Flushing	12, 29	5769, 500		
Point Repairs		# of Repairs	Reason	L.F. of Repairs
Main Line Only	6	1	Root Ball	3 feet

Collection System Maintenance Tasks

- Pump crew changed air filters for VFDs at Pump Stations 4 and 7
- Replaced grinder pump lid at 20107 Cherry Hill Circle
- Repaired grinder pumps to put back in service
- Installed new contactors to eliminate 1 & 2 contactor failures at Pump Station 21
- Flusher crew worked on Collier Court for blockage call, worked on trouble spots and District 12
- CCTV crew cleaned camera and camera truck
- Uploaded footages to save to thumb drive
- Dropped off camera truck to CMG for inspection
- Construction crew worked on cleaning up the back field behind wastewater plant
- Worked on Park Road for main sewer repair due to root ball
- Cleaned and restocked trucks

Wastewater Division – Customer Call Log Summary 2024							
Type	Blockages	Grinder Pumps	Odor Complaints	Flushing	WW Pump Stations	Other	Totals
Weekly	0	2	0	0	0	9	11
YTD 2024	32	12	2	0	0	78	124

Engineering

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

Lab

WASTEWATER

- Process and regulatory testing were routine for the week
- Completed QC verifications: weekly (pH, Cl, Conductivity) on DI water, monthly UV lamp check, spec checks, balance checks, Quanti-seal test, pH meter calibrations, incubator sterilization, DI monthly, Quarterly autoclave timing verification, quarterly drying study
- Collected samples for Biobot COVID study
- Collected Wastewater-SCAN Program samples for pathogen monitoring
- Collected CDC-NWSS Program samples for pathogen monitoring
- Prepared Q1 Report for TCT
- Raw sampler maintenance
- Attended EPA Webinar: Health Risks of Indoor Exposure to Fine Particulate Matter and Practical Mitigation Solutions

Environmental Coordinator & Pretreatment

- 2024 Permit Renewals
- 2024 Permit Maintenance Fee calculations
- SNC February results updated in Synexus

WATER DIVISION

Plant Flows - System Demand (MGD)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Willson</u>	<u>Breichner</u>	<u>Total</u>
03/28/24	11.05		11.05
03/29/24	11.18		11.18
03/30/24	10.81		10.81
03/31/24	10.48		10.48
04/01/24	11.12		11.12
04/02/24	11.08		11.08
04/03/24	11.17		11.17
		Average:	10.98

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

- Staff worked on facility maintenance and routine preventative maintenance.
- Staff completed UPS circuit for the SCADA room at R.C. Willson.

Water Production at Breichner / Edgemont Reservoir

The Edgemont Reservoir pool elevation is currently at 18.70 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.

Laboratory

- Process and regulatory testing were routine for the week.
- Completed QC verifications for benchtop microbial surface monitoring, air environment monitoring, UV lamp check, monthly quanti-seal test, and incubator sterilization.
- Collected bacteriological monitoring samples for April and collected monthly TOC samples.
- Collected nitrification monitoring samples.
- Collected one (1) lagoon discharge sample and one (1) new water line bacti test.
- Prepared reagents for R.C. Willson.

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,



Scott A. Nicewarner
City Administrator

**FIT ROOM SCHEDULE * CHARGE FOR CHANGE EVENT * SKATEBOARD
CONTEST ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES**

Fit Room at Fairgrounds Park at Fairgrounds Park

Monthly Calendar For April 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 6p-6:45p Pound #8355 7p-8p Belly Dance #8276	2 6p-7p Buti Yoga #8328	3 7p-8p Vinyasa yoga #8444	4 4p-4:30p Princess Ballerina #8318 4:35p-5:05p Ballet & Acro #8317 5:30p-6:30p Turn Up Dance Fitness #8393	5 3:15p-4:45p Gymnastics for Kids, Intermediate #8133 4:45p-5:45p Gymnastics for Kids #8126 6p-7p Aerial Tricks #8477 7:15p-8:15p Aerial Stretch #8450	6 10a-11a Zumba #8525 11a-12p Step Aerobics #8531 12p-1p Locomotion #8403
7 11a-12p Gymnastics for Kids #8143	8 4p-4:45p Empowered Gymnastics (Cognitive Adaptations) #8430 4:50p-5:50p Inspired Soccer (Physical Adaptations) #8433 6p-6:45p Pound #8355	9 6p-7p Buti Yoga #8328	10 4p-7p CPR and First Aid #8335 7p-8p Vinyasa yoga #8444	11 8:50a-9:50a Gym Fit #8421 10a-10:45a Creative Movement #8424 10:50a-11:50a Inspired Movement #8427 4p-4:30p Princess Ballerina #8318 4:35p-5:05p Ballet & Acro #8317 5:30p-6:30p Turn Up Dance Fitness #8393	12 3:15p-4:45p Gymnastics for Kids, Intermediate #8133 4:45p-5:45p Gymnastics for Kids #8126 6p-7p Aerial Tricks #8478 7:15p-8:15p Aerial Stretch #8451	13 10a-11a Zumba #8525 11a-12p Step Aerobics #8531 12p-1p Locomotion #8403
14 11a-12p Gymnastics for Kids #8143 1:15p-2:15p Aerial Stretch #8409	15 8a-9a Slow Flow Yoga #8476 4p-4:45p Empowered Gymnastics (Cognitive Adaptations) #8430 4:50p-5:50p Inspired Soccer (Physical Adaptations) #8433 6p-6:45p Pound #8355	16 4:30p-5:30p Crazy Running #8523 6p-7p Buti Yoga #8328	17 8a-9a Slow Flow Yoga #8476 7p-8p Vinyasa yoga #8444	18 8:50a-9:50a Gym Fit #8421 10a-10:45a Creative Movement #8424 10:50a-11:50a Inspired Movement #8427 4p-4:30p Princess Ballerina #8318 4:35p-5:05p Ballet & Acro #8317 5:30p-6:30p Turn Up Dance Fitness #8393 7p-8p Aerial Fitness-Powerhouse Studios #8535	19 3:15p-4:45p Gymnastics for Kids, Intermediate #8379 4:45p-5:45p Gymnastics for Kids #8367 6p-7p Aerial Tricks #8479 7:15p-8:15p Aerial Stretch #8452	20 10a-11a Zumba #8525 11a-12p Step Aerobics #8531 12p-1p Locomotion #8403 3p-9p LaKenya Austin Birthday Party
21 11a-12p Gymnastics for Kids #8373	22 8a-9a Slow Flow Yoga #8476 4p-4:45p Empowered Gymnastics (Cognitive Adaptations) #8430 4:50p-5:50p Inspired Soccer (Physical Adaptations) #8433 6p-6:45p Pound #8355 7p-8p Belly Dance #8362	23 4:30p-5:30p Crazy Running #8523 6p-7p Buti Yoga #8328 7p-8p Decades Dance 70s & 80s #8436	24 8a-9a Slow Flow Yoga #8476 7p-8p Vinyasa yoga #8444	25 8:50a-9:50a Gym Fit #8421 10a-10:45a Creative Movement #8424 10:50a-11:50a Inspired Movement #8427 4p-4:30p Princess Ballerina #8318 4:35p-5:05p Ballet & Acro #8317 5:30p-6:30p Turn Up Dance Fitness #8393 7p-8p Aerial Fitness-Powerhouse Studios #8536	26 3:15p-4:45p Gymnastics for Kids, Intermediate #8379 4:45p-5:45p Gymnastics for Kids #8367 6p-7p Aerial Tricks #8480 7:15p-8:15p Aerial Stretch #8453	27 10a-11a Zumba #8525 11a-12p Step Aerobics #8531

Fit Room at Fairgrounds Park at Fairgrounds Park

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CHARGE FOR CHANGE

SATURDAY, APRIL 6TH, 2024
FAIRGROUNDS PARK
10AM-2PM

3K FUN RUN --> PERFORMANCES, GUEST
SPEAKERS, PICK-UP BASKETBALL AND
KICKBALL, COMMUNITY RESOURCES!!

CELEBRATE HEALTH, WELLNESS,
AND COMMUNITY WITH US!

**FREE
EVENT!**



GIVEAWAYS:

YOU COULD WIN:
4 FLYING BOXCARS TICKETS
\$100 TO FOOTLOCKER, DICKS, OR JOURNEYS
\$50 TO TACOLICIOUS
AND MORE!



Racine MultiSports

JIGGY JACKS

\$5.00
TO
COMPETE



PAZIO
SKATEBOARDS

RAM
SKATEBOARDING

HAGERSTOWN SKATEPARK

APRIL 6, 2024 3-5PM

Grind Skate Co.

WINNER GETS THE CASH POT + PRIZE PACKS

SHRED-A-THON