

CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT POPULAR ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010



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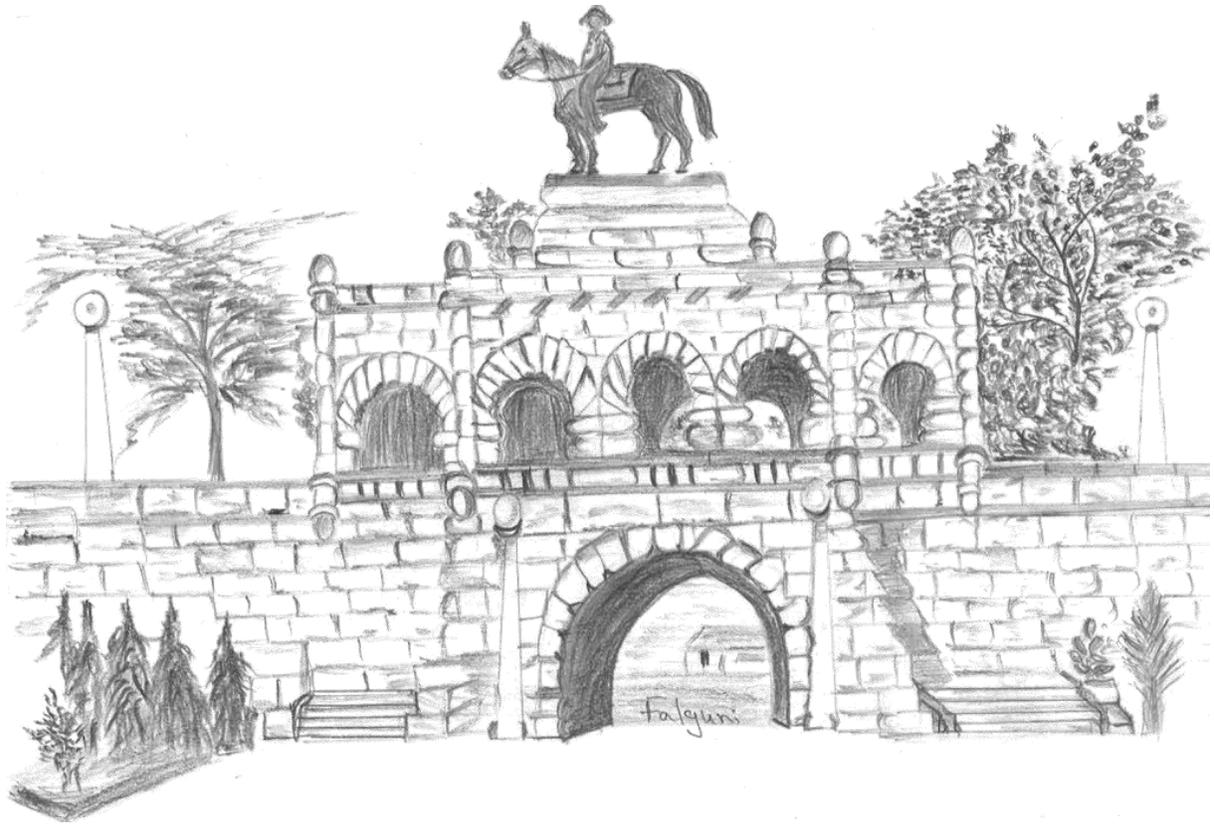
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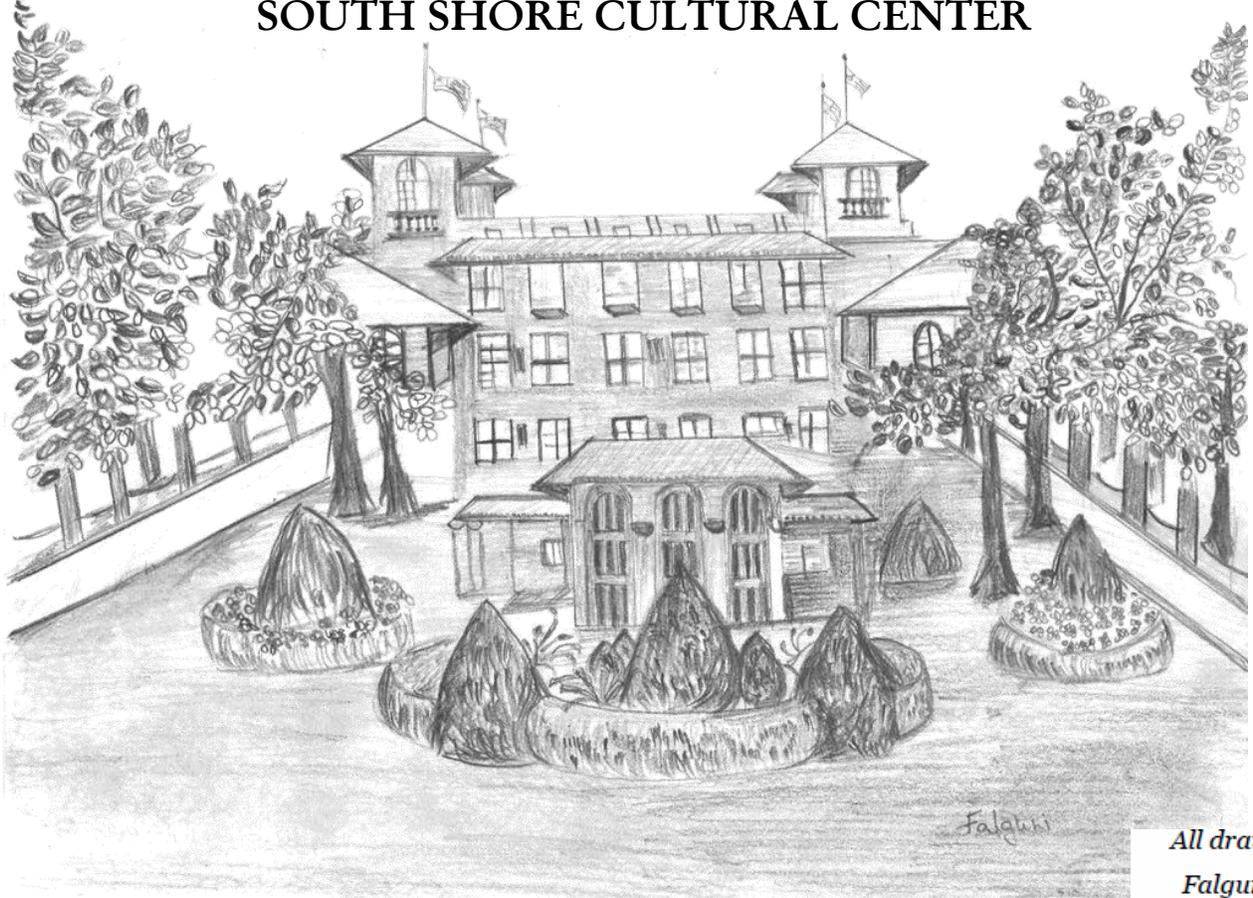


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Dear Colleagues and Friends,

The Chicago Park District (CPD) is the largest park manager in the nation with nearly 600 parks, thousands of acres of free, open, green space, a world class stadium and harbor system, 31 beaches, 9 golf courses, ten museums and much more. The Chicago Park District is recognized for being a leader of urban park districts worldwide. We are dedicated to enhancing programs for all participants regardless of age, physical, or cognitive ability, as well as encourage families to get active and adopt healthy lifestyles.

The 2010 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) presents a healthy financial picture as we continue to impose financial and managerial discipline on all aspects of the Park District's operations. Our previous PAFR, CAFR and Budget documents are all GFOA award winners, and we are confident this year's PAFR will also be recognized as achieving this high standard in financial reporting.

Finally, we stay connected with over 100 park advisory councils, federal, state, and locally elected officials and corporations committed to improving our parks. It is through these partnerships that the District and communities across the city are able to celebrate the many improvements in our parks. Thank you for your interest in the Chicago Park District's Popular Annual Financial Report.

Sincerely,

Bryan Traubert
President, Board of Commissioners

Michael P. Kelly
Interim General Superintendent & CEO

COMPTROLLER'S MESSAGE



What is a PAFR? A Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) presents Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) information in a readily accessible and easy to understand format for the general public. The PAFR provides an overview of the Chicago Park District's financial position, including sources of revenues and expenditures, and economic information about the community. The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada has given an Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting to the Chicago Park District for its PAFR for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009. This is a prestigious national award recognizing the District with the highest standards for preparation of state and local government popular reports. In order to receive this award, a government must publish a Popular Annual Financial Report, the contents of which conform to program standards of creativity, presentation, understandability, and reader appeal. An Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting is valid for a period of one year only. We believe our current report, in the spirit of transparency and full disclosure, will also earn this notable recognition.

The data from this PAFR report is taken from our CAFR for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2010. It is important to note that this report does not provide all the detailed financial information that is contained in our CAFR. PAFRs are supplements to, not replacements for, CAFRs. The CAFR includes all of the audited financial statements and disclosures and is presented on a GAAP basis.

For a detailed CAFR report, please visit our website at:

http://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/docs/330bb974-a2a1-4c1c-b068-e2b99787c010_document.pdf. A hardcopy report may also be obtained by calling the Office of the Comptroller at (312) 742-4342.

Chicago Park District History

In 1934, all of Chicago's 22 park districts were being directly impacted by the Great Depression. To reduce duplication of services, streamline operations, and gain access to funding through President Franklin Delano Roosevelt's New Deal, voters approved the Park Consolidation Act of 1934, which established the Chicago Park District.



Photography Source: Department of Planning and Development



ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

The Mayor of the City of Chicago appoints the District's seven-member Board, which is its highest authority. The Board is made up of three standing committees under which business is conducted: Administration, Programs and Recreation, and Capital Improvements. The Office of the Secretary serves as the Board's official record keeper, prepares the Board minutes and moderates the meetings. Chicago Park District board meetings take place on the second Wednesday of every month. To obtain more information on meeting locations, dates, and times, please call 312-742-5034 or go to the Chicago Park District website at www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/index.cfm/fuseaction/departments.board.cfm.

The reporting structure of the Chicago Park District begins with the Board of Commissioners, General Supt/CEO and 6 chiefs who manage the District's divisions. Individual departments within these divisions, including the three park regions (North, South and Central), are headed by a Director/Region Manager who oversees central administrative and park/regional staff.

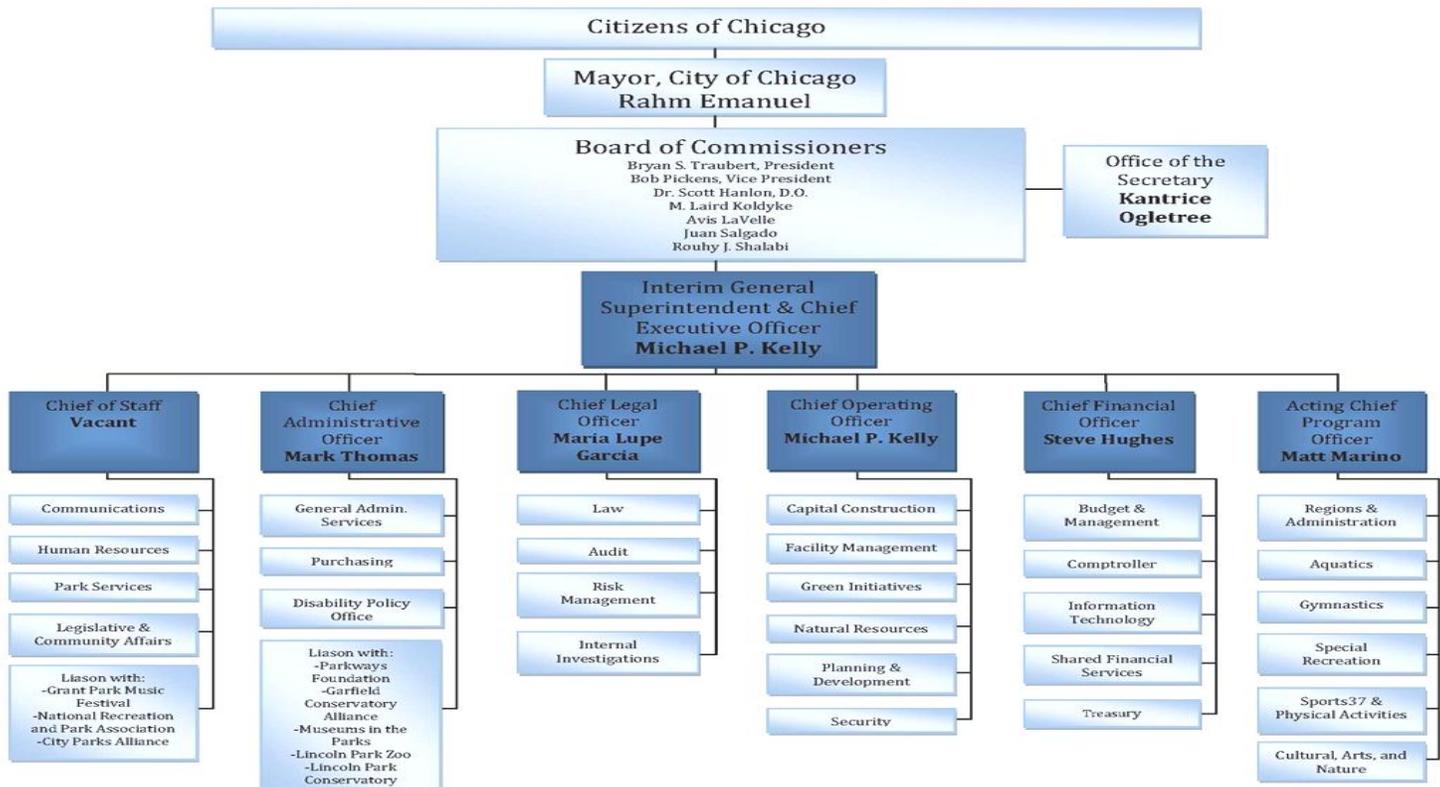
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Officers

Michael Kelly, Chief Operating Officer
Steve Hughes, Chief Financial Officer
Maria Guadalupe Garcia, General Counsel
Matt Marino, Acting Chief Program Officer
Mark Thomas, Chief Administrative Officer

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Tanya S. Anthony, Budget and Management
Robert Rejman, Capital Construction
Jessica Maxey-Faulkner, Communications and Marketing
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Adam Schwerner, Natural Resources
Brendan Daley, Green Initiatives
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STAFFED LOCATIONS

North Region Manager
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Area 1 Manager Terry Sweeney	Area 2 Manager Derrick Martin	Area 3 Manager Dan Reamer	Area 4 Manager Colleen Gallagher	Area 5 Manager Sandra Olson	Area 6 Manager Brian Loll
Brooks	Amundsen	Chippewa	Athletic Field	Berger	Adams
Chopin	Bell	Emmerson	Avondale	Broadway Armory	Chase
Dunham	Blackhawk	Green Briar	Brands	Clarendon	Hill
Edgebrook	Cragin	Gross	Eugene Field	Lincoln Park Cult. Ctr	Haas
Edison	Galewood	Hollywood	Gompers	Loyola	Hamlin
Gladstone	Hermosa	Indian Boundary	Horner	Margate	Holstein
Indian Road	Hiawatha	Mather	Independence	Paschen	Maplewood
Jefferson	Kelvyn	Peterson	Jensen	Pottawattomie	Oz
Merrimac	Ken-Well	River	Kilbourn	Schreiber	Shell
Norwood	Kosciuszko	Rogers	Mayfair	Touhy	Trebes
Olympia	Mozart	Warren	McFetridge/California	White (Willye)	Wrightwood
Oriole	Riis	Welles	Paul Revere		
Portage	Rutherford Square	Winnemac	Sauganash		
Rosedale	Shabbona				
Wildwood	Simons				
Wilson					

Area 1 Manager Michael Scott Jr.	Area 2 Manager Cynthia Rosario	Area 3 Manager Elizabeth Garza	Area 4 Manager Aris White	Area 5 Manager Michael A. Hixenbaugh	Area 6 Manager Jackie Payne
Altgeld	Clemente	Daley Bicentennial	Archer	Armour Square	Anderson
Austin Town Hall	Commercial	Fosco	Augusta	Bosley	Dvorak
Columbus	Eckhart	Harrison	Clark	Cornell Square	Ellis/Madden
Franklin	Humboldt	Lake Shore	Curie	Davis Square	Fuller
Homan Square	Kedvale	Northerly Island	Garfield	Donovan	Haines
Lafollette	Seward	Pulaski	LeClaire Courts	Hoyne	Kennicott
Moore	Smith	Sheridan	Piotrowski	Kelly	Kenwood
	Stanton	Skinner	Shedd	McGuane	Lake Meadows
	Wicker	South Loop	Sumner	McKinley	Nat. Teacher's Academy
		Union	Tilton	Stearns Quarry	Taylor
			Vittum	Taylor-Lauridsen	Wentworth
				Washtenaw	Williams
				Wilson	
				Wilson CC	

Central Region Manager
Arthur Richardson
100 S. Central Park Ave
(312)746-5962



South Region Manager
Elizabeth Milan
3344 W. 71st St
(312)747-7661



Area 1 Manager Kathy Voltz	Area 2 Manager Alonzo Dunlap	Area 3 Manager Cordell Hopkins	Area 4 Manager Marge Burke	Area 5 Manager Vacant	Area 6 Manager Anita Gilkey
Bogan	Englewood HS	Dyett Rec. Ctr	Beverly	Abbott	Avalon
Daley	Foster	Grand Crossing	Brainerd	Ada	Bessemer
Dooley	Gage	Harris	Dawes	Cole	Bradley
Durkin	Hamilton	Jackson	Graver	Cooper	Calumet
Hale	Hermitage	Meyering	Hayes	Euclid	Carver
Lawler	Lindblom	Midway Plaisance	Kennedy	Fernwood	Gately
Minuteman	Lowe	Nash	Marquette	Jackie Robinson	Jesse Owens
Normandy	Mahalia Jackson	Nichols	McKiernan	Palmer	Mann
Pasteur	Martin Luther King Jr.	Rosenblum/Mann	Mt. Greenwood	Robichaux	Pietrowski
Rainey	Moran	South Shore Cult. Ctr	Munroe	Smith	Rowan
Scottsdale	Murray	Washington	O'Hallaren	Tuley	Russell Square
Senka	Ogden	Washington Refectory	Oakdale	West Pullman	Trumbull
Strohacker	Sherman	Woodhull	Ridge	White	Veteran's Memorial
Valley Forge	Sherwood		Tarkington		Wolfe
Wentworth	West Chathan				

CPD AT A GLANCE

2010 Staff Levels

Full-Time Staff	1,465
Hourly	1,333
Seasonal/Interns	3,930
Area Managers	18
Park Supervisors	138
Region	3



Aquatics

Ethnicity of Full-time Employees

Caucasian	697
African American	483
Hispanic	252
American Indian	4
Asian Non Hispanic or Latino	17
Pacific Islander	1
Not Indicated	11

Selected Staff Detail

Aquatics	926
Landscape	728
Conservatories	34
Administration	653
Volunteers(individuals & groups)	12,100



Culture, Arts & Nature

Summer Food Program Meals Served

Central region:

Total meals in 2010	294,174
Total sites in 2010	73
Average meals served per site in 2010	4,030

North region:

Total meals in 2010	274,587
Total sites in 2010	78
Average meals served per site in 2010	3,520

South region:

Total meals in 2010	314,604
Total sites in 2010	83
Average meals served per site in 2010	3,790

Work Orders Completed by Category: Totals

Brickwork	268
Carpentry	5,602
Cement and asphalt repair	455
Equipment repairs	562
Equipment requests	677
Erecting	805
General cleaning	145
Inside electric	3,353
Iron work	1,156
Mechanical	899
Moving/hauling	1,623
Outside electric	3,001
Painting (4)	2,603
Plastering/painting	60
Playground repair	3,822
Plumbing repair	5,789
Roofing repair	402
Total number of work orders	32,222
Total work order completed	31,222
Percentage completed	97%

Landscape Tasks Completed by

Landscape Tasks Completed by	Totals
Landscape operations:	
Mowing (1)	6,000
Cleaning (1)	7,600
Assigned Staff	207
Waste management:	
Contractor-Normal Waste Pickup	6,734
Contractor-Recyclables (2)	1,505
CPD(Lakefront Only)-Normal	3,541
CPD(Lakefront Only)-Recyclables	425
Herbaceous Organic Waste	2,220
Forestry:	
Forestry – Tree Removals	1,650
Forestry – Pruning/Trimming	8,134

Landscape Tasks Completed by

Landscape Tasks Completed by	Totals
Trees and Floral:	
Trees Planted	2,400
#Parks	90
Shrubs Planted	715
#Parks	35
Perennials Planted	4,500
#Parks	20
Annuals Planted	500,000
#Parks	26
# Bulbs Planted	75,000
#Parks	84
Sod (3)	100,000

Snow removal is performed by regularly assigned staff for all snow events each year.

(1) Amounts in acres; mowing acreage is estimated

(2) Amounts in tons

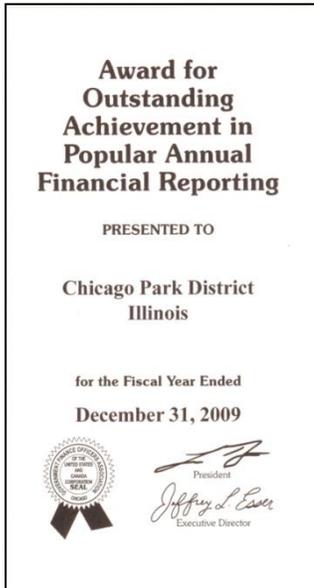
(3) Amounts in square yds



Department of Natural Resources

CPD HAPPENINGS

2010 AWARDS



The Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) has awarded the Chicago Park District the *Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting* for its first ever PAFR in 2009. This is a prestigious national award recognizing conformance with the highest standards for preparation of state and local government popular reports. The Chicago Park District's

Comptroller's Office was also awarded GFOA's *Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting* every year since 2006. The Office of Budget and Management received GFOA's *Distinguished Budget Presentation Award* for all of its budgets since 2009. The Illinois Association of Park Districts awarded CPD with "*Best of the Best Awards*" in *Green Practices and Arts in the Park*. Finally, the 2010 Chicago Flower & Garden Show honored Lincoln Park and Garfield Park Conservatories as 2010 People's Choice Featured Gardens.

New Initiatives

Northerly Island Solar-Powered Pedestrian Lights

In 2010, the Park District engaged various contractors and partnered with GreenCorps Chicago to improve the energy efficiency of many buildings. A temperature difference of 3 degrees can save up to 9% on yearly heating and cooling costs. Also, we continued to participate in the Chicago



Climate Action Plan, developing the organization's carbon footprint and related strategies to reduce our emissions. CPD was awarded several grants under the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. These grants provide for a comprehensive communications program for Chicago beaches, a sanitary survey, storm water impact, and the development of a scientific approach to natural area restoration.

Special Recreation

The Special Recreation Unit provides adaptive sport opportunities and competitions for people with physical disabilities. In 2010 the Special Recreation Unit proudly opened five new Special Recreation full time programs at existing

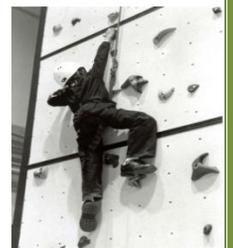


Parks. The following sites were opened and staffing was increased: Chase, Davis Square, Jesse Owens, Norwood and

Vittum. Other activities and programs include: Family Appreciation Movie Night, Gardening Programs, Visual and Performing Arts classes, Nature hikes and recycling programs.

Wellness Centers

Wellness Campuses are located in areas at high risk for childhood obesity. The goal is to promote self esteem and efficiently coordinate obesity prevention services for children, families, seniors and adults. These centers, which include interactive gaming and non-traditional fitness equipment, target those youth who may not be as interested in traditional athletic programs. Each center includes video game styled bikes, dance pads, climbing walls and interactive computerized sport walls.



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Certified Parks and Recreation Professionals

This year, the Chicago Park District continued its commitment to helping staff obtain the Certified Parks and Recreation Professional (CPRP) distinction. CPRP is a national standard in the Parks and Recreations field and illustrates the Chicago Park District's ongoing dedication to quality, education, expertise, and experience. To date, nearly 70 staff have obtained this outstanding national certification, including:



Adam Bueling	Gerry Henaghan	Marie Mahay	Cynthia Jahraus
Anita Boyd	Graeme Hart	Marilyn Morales	Dana Zilinski
Anita Gilkey	Greg Czajkowski	Melody Mitchell	Daphne Johnson
Anne Cordes	Jackie Guthrie	Michael Scott, Jr.	Deb Maddox
Annette Dodaja	Jackie Payne	Michelle Baldwin	Dionne Hawkins
Art Richardson	Jacqui Ulrich	Michelle Drez	Elizabeth Garza
Becky Duncan	Janet McDonough	Millicent Gordon	Ron Dials
Becky Kliber	James Ziaja	Mike Gianfortune	Emery Joe Yost
Beka Reiersen	Jennifer Bice	Molly Fitzgibbon	Sally Stelnicki
Bobby Starks	Jennifer Fitzgerald	Nancy Carpenter	Scott Balzer
Brendan Daley	Joe Henry	Nikki Ginger	Stacey Anti
Carla Mayer	Joe Lewis	Pat Townsend	Steffan Schoenauer
Colleen Lammel Harmon	Joe Pittman	Peggy Stewart	Steven Izquierdo
Cristen Grajeda	Joey Harris	Tim O'Connell	Keith Sorensen
Krista Bryski-Richard	John Borek	Judee Gurgone	Tom Wayda
Kristi Miller	Josh Roberson	Kathy Voltz	

LEED Professionals

The Office of Green Initiatives has five LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Accredited Professionals. LEED professionals demonstrate a thorough understanding of green building practices and principles and familiarity with LEED requirements, resources and processes. The photo to the left pictures four of the staff members to have successfully accomplished this certification.



Left to right: Brendan Daley, Cathy Breitenbach, Daniel Cooper, Stephen Grant, Ellen Sargent (not pictured)



2010 KATHY OSTERMAN AWARD WINNERS

Outstanding Executive Employee

Winner: Michael P. Kelly

Outstanding Professional Employee

Finalist: Krista Bryski-Richard

Outstanding General Service Employee

Finalist: Maureen Perez

HOW DID WE DO LAST YEAR?

- The total assets of the District are \$2.5 billion and exceeded liabilities at December 31, 2010 by \$1.1 billion. This is an increase in net assets of \$39.9 million over 2009. Of this net asset amount, \$295 million is unrestricted and may be used to meet current obligations.
- Capital assets ended the year with a balance of \$1.6 billion, net of accumulated depreciation. The District spent \$121.3 million on capital projects such as fieldhouses, playgrounds, pools and HVAC improvements in 2010, in comparison to the \$78.1 million in 2009. This is a 22% increase year over year.
- The Park District's Pension Fund's fiscal year ends on June 30th. The Pension Funds Actuarial Accrued Liability Funding Ratio as of June 30, 2010 declined to 62.3% from 67.2% for FY 2009.
- Net OPEB Obligation (Retiree Healthcare) at December 31, 2010 is \$11.7 million. The District provides retiree health care benefits to approximately 234 retirees and their dependants and the liability increased \$3 million from 2009. The required contribution is based on pay-as-you-go financing.
- In 2010, property tax receipts were \$236.4 million or \$41.3 million lower than the prior year amount of \$277.7 million. Postponed property tax collections are the main cause for the decline.
- Personal Property Replacement Tax revenues came in at \$44.3 million, or \$2.1 million higher than in FY 2009.
- In the General Fund, revenue totaled \$244.8 million, while expenditures equaled \$238.3 million. From 2009, this is a decrease in revenue of \$8.5 million but also a decrease in expenditures of \$10.1 million. The ending fund balance in the General Fund at year end is a healthy \$47.6 million and up from \$40.1 million in 2009.
- Total expenditures exceeded revenues in all funds by \$102.2 million mostly due to increased capital spending.
- Current assets totaled \$812.3 million and current liabilities were \$376 million at December 31, 2010, resulting in a combined fund balance of all governmental funds of \$436.3 million at year end. In 2009, combined fund balance equaled \$352.1 million.
- CPD's Debt Ratings for FY 2010: Fitch Ratings AAA, Moody's Investor Service Aa2 and Standard and Poor AA+

Selected Top Revenue Earners	Location	Revenue
Green City Farmers Market	Lincoln Park	\$276,675
Bank of America Chicago Marathon	Grant Park	\$175,000
Dew Tour	Soldier	\$175,000
AVP Chicago Open	Lincoln Park	\$97,650
Farmers Market	Portage Park	\$86,800
Selected Top Attended Events	Location	No. of Attendees
Bud Billiken Parade	Washington Park	310,000
Lollapalooza	Grant Park	231,000

Park and Region Programming Totals	
Total number of Movies in the Park	173
Total number of Concerts in the Park	35
Performances at Theatre on the Lake	40
Number of Theatre Companies	8
Special Events	1,849
Youth	108,887
Total registration	266,971
Total online registration	42,413
Percentage of total registrations	15.89%

ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Business Environment

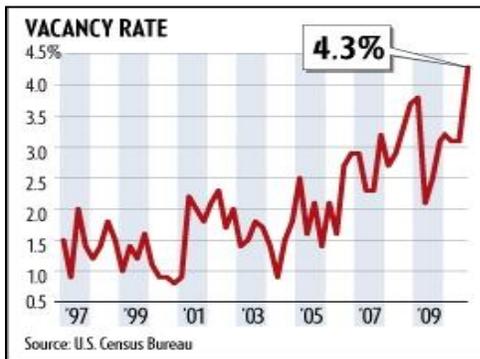
As the U.S. and Local economy continued to struggle in 2010, Chicago businesses are slowly began to recuperate from the decline of consumer spending.

- Groupon Inc. has become the fastest growing company in history. At the end of March, 83.1 million people in 43 countries signed up for a daily deals newsletter. Revenues rocketed from 94 million in 2008 to \$714 million in 2010.
- The Chicago Board Options exchange made its initial public offering on June 15, 2010 which estimated 101 million shares outstanding at a minimum price of \$25 per share. This is valued as the biggest U.S. options exchange at a minimum of \$2.5 billion.
- In October, United Airlines merged with Continental Airlines to form United Continental Holdings Inc. The merge created the largest airway in the U.S.

Data Source: Crain's Chicago Business

Housing

Homeownership in the Chicago area dropped in the first quarter of 2010 to its lowest level in almost eight years. The percentage of people who owned homes fell from 69.0% during the fourth quarter of 2009 to 67.4% during the first quarter of 2010. The Chicago, Illinois foreclosure rate was 1 in every 27 homes or 3.70% of all Chicago housing units. The number of foreclosure filings totaled 138,913 in 2010 or 3.63% of all filings in the United States.

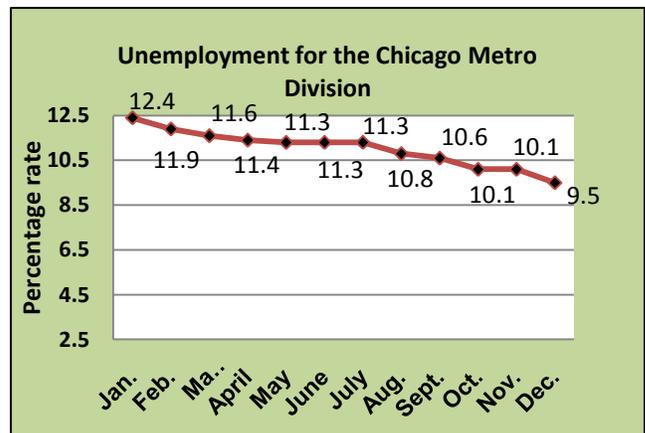


Data Source: Chicago Real Estate Daily

Employment

In March of 2010, there were an estimated 382,700 residents in the 8-county Chicago Metro Division that suffered from unemployment. New employment opportunities emerged during the course of the year that brought the city average down to 9.5% by the end of December. The average unemployment rate for the year was 11.0%.

- Ford Chicago Assembly Plant underwent a complete renovation of its assembly line and machinery. Ford invested nearly \$400 million to have the proper equipment for the launch of the new Ford explorer, which provided 1200 new jobs to cover a second shift at the Chicago Assembly Plant.



Data Source: Illinois Dept of Employment Security

Education

The Chicago Public School district holds the title of the third largest school district in the nation. There were 410,000 students in grades K-12 enrolled in a total of 680 schools for the 2010-11 school year. The high school graduation rate in 2010 was 55.8%, a 1.3% increase from 2009.

The district wide number of employed teachers was 40,678, with the student to teacher ratio at 20:1. The FY2011 operating budget totaled \$5.2 billion, with per pupil spending at \$12,682 per student.

SEASONAL PROGRAMMING AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Movies in the Parks



Community residents can enjoy free, outdoor film in the setting of their neighborhood park. In 2010, the department of Culture, Arts and Nature oversaw 173 movie showings at parks Districtwide. We estimate that over 30,000 people attended showings of these recent and classic films at our parks. Families and individuals alike find that there is no better place to spend a warm evening than your neighborhood park. Parkways Foundation was the lead sponsor of "Movies in the Parks" for the 2010 season.



Theater on the Lake

Chicago's premiere professional theater festival features eight plays in eight weeks and is presented during the summer at this historic lakefront pavilion.

Chase Park Theater Program

Chase Park holds seasonal play productions in its auditorium and expand continues to the talent of its community theatre open group through auditions. The theater program is very popular and draws large crowds for each performance. Previous productions have included "Life is a Dream," "Hamlet," "Summer Brave," and "Romeo & Juliet." Plays change seasonally and more information can be found on our website or by calling 312-742-PLAY(7529).



Halloween



Several pumpkin patches are held across the city at parks such as Mount Greenwood, Portage, Rainey, Archer, and Columbus, which offer pony rides, pumpkin decorating, petting zoos, photo stations and treats. The successful Nightmare at 63rd Street Beach House event involved transforming the historic 63rd St. Beach House into a ghostly haunted house with over 10 terrifying and chilling horror scenes spanning two floors. The 6-day Trails of Terror winds its way through nearly one-half mile of spine-tingling terror, with visitors experiencing the turning of a small seaside town upside down. The 6-day event earned total revenues of \$92,060.



Kilbourn Park Annual Plant Sale and Organic Garden

The Kilbourn Park Organic Greenhouse sold more than 150 varieties of organically grown vegetables, herbs, and flower seedlings in 2010. Kilbourn Park is home to the Chicago Park District's only organic-teaching greenhouse and offers workshops throughout the year. Offerings include **Harvest Garden** and **Garden Buddies** youth programs.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Buckingham Fountain

The Fountain, one of the largest in the world, is located at Columbus Drive (301 East) and Congress Parkway (500 South) in Grant Park and runs from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. daily, typically from April to mid-October. While in operation, every hour on the hour for 20 minutes the Fountain produces a major water display and the center jet shoots 150 feet into the air.

Beginning at dusk, that same display is accompanied by a major light and music display. The Fountain opened on May 26, 1927 and has since remained one of Chicago's most popular attractions.



Lincoln Park Zoo

Nestled in the heart of Chicago is Lincoln Park Zoo. The zoo operates one of the most significant zoo-based conservation and science programs in the country and attracts an estimated 3 million visitors per year. This not-for-profit institution is also one of the country's last remaining free admission zoos.

Garfield Park Conservatory

In 1905, Chicago's West Park Commission's general superintendent and chief landscape architect, Jens



Jensen, demolished three obsolete greenhouses in Humboldt, Douglas, and Garfield Parks with the intent to create the –largest publicly owned conservatory under one roof in the world. Built between 1906 and 1908, the Garfield Park

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Conservatory represents a unique collaboration of architects, engineers, landscape architects, sculptors, and artisans. Referred to as –landscape art under glass, the Garfield Park Conservatory campus occupies two acres of public greenhouse space and 10 acres of outdoor gardens. Both Garfield Park and its conservatory are listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Charter One Pavilion

A concert venue was built at the northern end of Northerly Island, the 91-acre peninsula that juts into Lake Michigan at the heart of Chicago's Museum Campus. The 79,540 seat Charter One Pavilion hosts concerts from some of today's most popular artists along with family matinee events. The pavilion's awesome view of the city skyline provides a unique backdrop



to the venue's shows and events.

Dog Friendly Areas

The Chicago Park District has 16 dog friendly areas including locations at Belmont Harbor, Foster Beach, and Wrigley Field. These unique dog parks are places where dogs can exercise, play, and socialize off-leash.

South Shore Cultural Center

The South Shore Cultural Center is a historic facility that has been recognized as a Chicago Landmark (2004) and is also listed on the National Register (1975). Most of the facility has been renovated to restore it to the original décor. This facility is housed prominently on a 58 acre site that includes grandiose ballrooms, a nine-hole golf course, meeting rooms, lighted tennis courts, a beach, an art gallery, horse stables, the Parrot Cage restaurant, and the Washburn Culinary Institute.



ADVISORY COUNCILS AND VOLUNTEERS

Advisory Councils

An advisory council is a voluntary group of individuals who meet on a regular basis to support the effective functioning of the park. The Chicago Park District has over 130 registered Park Advisory Councils (PACs) from all areas and regions. Each PAC is made up of community residents with interests in supporting and contributing to their neighborhood park. Anyone interested in joining or forming a PAC should contact the local park supervisor or the Park Advisory Council President.



Listed below are a few notable PACs and the efforts they contributed to:

Chase Park/Welles Park: Circus in the Parks Program

Douglas Park: Chicago Bulls Reading and Learning Center

Grand Crossing Park: Community Build Playground

Sheil Park: Playground

Park Volunteer Program

In addition to joining a PAC, park volunteer opportunities exist for every interest and level of time-commitment. We have one-day options, such as corporate or group projects, environmental stewardship



Grand Crossing Park

days and special event support, to longer-term options such as coaching, park support and tutoring or mentoring at one of our after school programs.

Volunteer Stewardship Program

The Chicago Park District Volunteer Stewardship Program is a community-based volunteer program that provides hands-on opportunities in ecological restoration, management, monitoring, and nature-based education at park district nature areas. We manage over 50 dedicated natural areas that include prairies and grasslands, shrub lands, savannas and woodlands, beaches and dunes, wetlands, lagoons and ponds, nature gardens, and river edge habitats. The Volunteer Stewardship Program began in 2001 with stewardship days at 10 nature areas. Since then the program has expanded to include over 150 annual stewardship days at 25 nature areas, and it continues to grow.

Nature Areas

From rich pond life teeming with frogs, herons, and dragonflies, to shrubby areas where migratory birds stop to rest, to lush prairies filled with native grasses and wildflowers, the Chicago Park District offers opportunities to explore nature in the city.

Marquette Park Lagoon





Parkways Foundation was created in 1994 as an avenue to raise private funds for projects within the Chicago Park District, for the enrichment of the physical and cultural landscape of Chicago's neighborhoods. Parkways is able to provide support for projects that may not otherwise get funded in a timely manner.

The Buckingham Fountain 5K Run/Walk

The start of the Buckingham Fountain 5K Run and Walk was signaled by a flip of the on-switch to the historic fountain. Nearly 300



runners and walkers gathered in Grant Park, along with kids who were invited to join in the fun and participate in a "Dash Around the Fountain."

Kraft Great Kids Program

Parkways receives a generous grant from Kraft Foods Foundation enabling the Chicago Park District to offer year-round programming that promotes healthy lifestyles in 12 parks through fitness, gardening, arts and reading activities that are integrated into an engaging and fun curriculum.

Send A Kid to Camp Fund

In 2010, the Parkways Send A Kid to Camp Fund provided 2,300 low-income families in 230 parks, spanning 79 Chicago neighborhoods, with the necessary financial assistance to send their kids to summer camp.



Alvin Ailey Dance Camp

Ailey Camp Chicago is a six week camp with a curriculum based on the mission to develop self-confidence, creative expression and critical thinking skills in young people ages 11-14 through the art form of dance.

Lollapalooza

Lollapalooza has generated more than \$9 million since 2005 to launch and sustain projects and programs throughout the Chicago Park District. **Data provided by Parkways Foundation. For more information, visit www.parkways.org.**



The mission of Friends of the Parks is to preserve, protect, improve and promote the use of Chicagoland's parks, preserves and recreational areas for the benefit of all neighborhoods and citizens.

Citywide Environmental Events

In celebration of the 40th anniversary of Earth Day, Friends of the Park hosted their 21st annual Earth Day Parks and Preserves Clean-Up on April 17, 2010. Over 4,000 volunteers from Chicago and Cook County neighborhoods cleaned and greened 108 sites in parks and forest preserves.



Tree Planting Project

Friends of the Parks planted 25 native trees in Humboldt Park with volunteers from Wm. J. Wrigley Co. and 25 trees in Jackson Park with the help of Exelon Corp. In May 2010, Friends of the Parks'

volunteers and friends planted a grove of 25 quaking aspen trees in Garfield Park in memory of Michael Scott, past president of the District.

Partnerships & Advocacy in Neighborhood Parks

Friends of the Parks provided organizing support to more than 50 park advisory councils, attended dozens of local park advisory council meetings, and provided tools for park advisory councils to strengthen their relationships with the District.



Public Trust and Policy Initiative

The Public Trust and Policy Initiative focused on protecting parks in Chicago by influencing major policy issues and proposals that would impact our parks. Initiatives included Clean Chicago Harbors Program, Lake Michigan and Chicago Lakefront Protection Ordinance Issues, New Harbors, Last Four Miles: A Plan to Complete Chicago's Lakefront, and A. Montgomery Ward Park. **Data provided by Friends of the Parks. For more information, visit www.fotp.org.**

OTHER PARTNERSHIPS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS



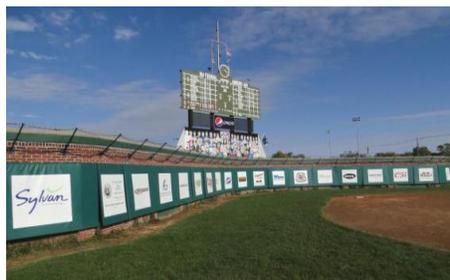
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Cubs Care	\$	25,000	Gill Park Development/Playground
Cubs Care	\$	110,000	Rookie League
Cubs Care	\$	54,000	Special Recreation
Cubs Care	\$	25,000	Weisman Park Playground
Cubs Care	\$	50,000	ICYB
Cubs Care	\$	60,000	Special Olympics
Cubs Care	\$	100,000	Thillens (Year 5 of 5)
Nike	\$	100,000	Lakefront Trail Repair and Mile Marker Signage

Cubs Care
Rookie League



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Little Cubs Field

CPD ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT AND MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

CPD's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)

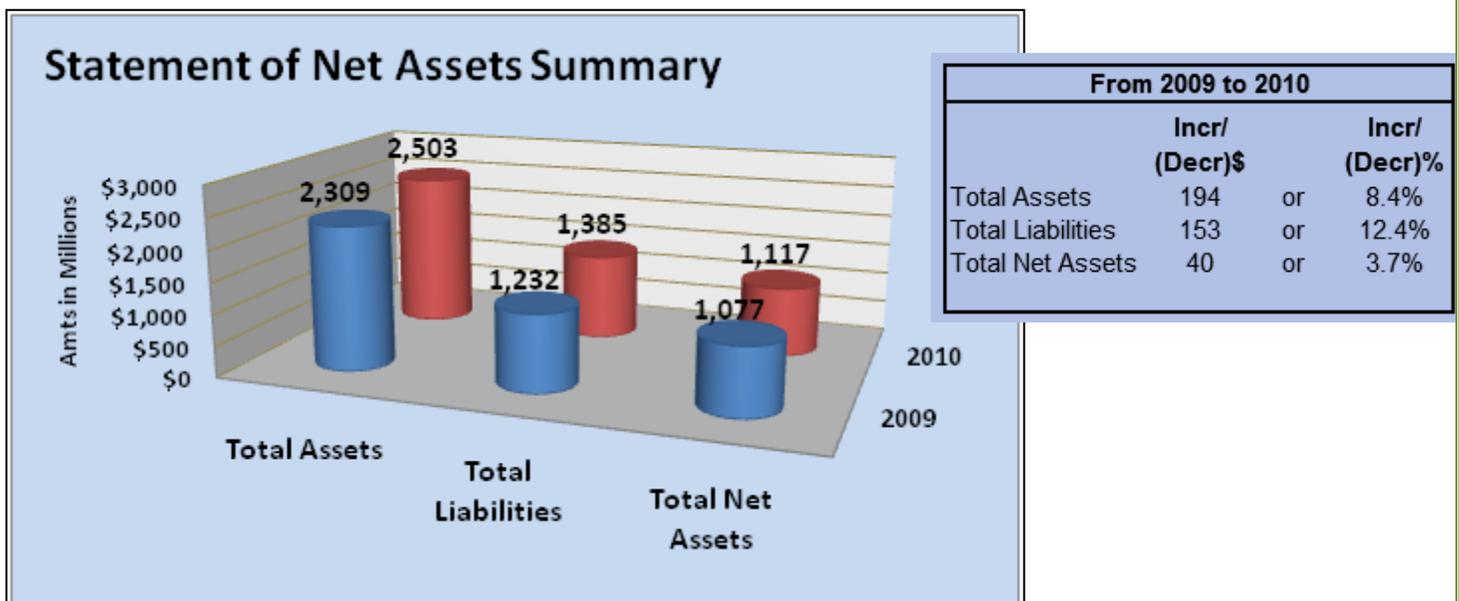
Each year, the District produces a Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). The CAFR is prepared using a reporting combination of both government-wide financial statements and fund financial statements. Our financial statements consist of three major components:

- Government-wide financial statements include the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities, which provide a comprehensive, long-term view of the District's finances. The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of CPD's finances in a manner similar to a private sector business. Governmentwide Financial Statements are available in CPD's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).
- Fund financial statements include the balance sheet and statement of revenue, expenditures and net changes in fund balances. The "fund-level" statements give a more detailed view of the revenues and expenditures and show how well the District has performed in its major funds. Fund Financial Statements are available in CPD's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).
- The notes to the basic financial statements detail the financial statement amounts and the changes in the reported balances.

Management's Discussion and Analysis

The MD & A section of the District's annual report is where CPD management discusses various aspects of the organization and both past and current conditions. In the MD & A, management also provides an overview of the previous year's activities, while touching on the upcoming year and stating future goals.

The Statement of Net Assets summary tables below show the District's basic financial position. The Statement of Net Assets presents information on all of CPS' assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets. Amounts in millions in both displays and differences are due to rounding.



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Overall net assets from governmental activities increased 3.7% or nearly \$40 million. Net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. Of our total net assets, \$614 million relates to investments in capital assets net of related debt, while \$209 million is restricted for uses such as debt service. The total balance of unrestricted net assets is \$295 million or 24% of the total at year-end. These funds are available for current obligations and free from legal constraints, debt covenants, or other restrictions.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements are more familiar to regular readers of the traditional Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). Major funds are presented individually. Non-major governmental funds are combined in separate schedules. The District's sources (revenues) and uses (expenditures) of resources, focus on the District's ability to finance operations in the short-term.

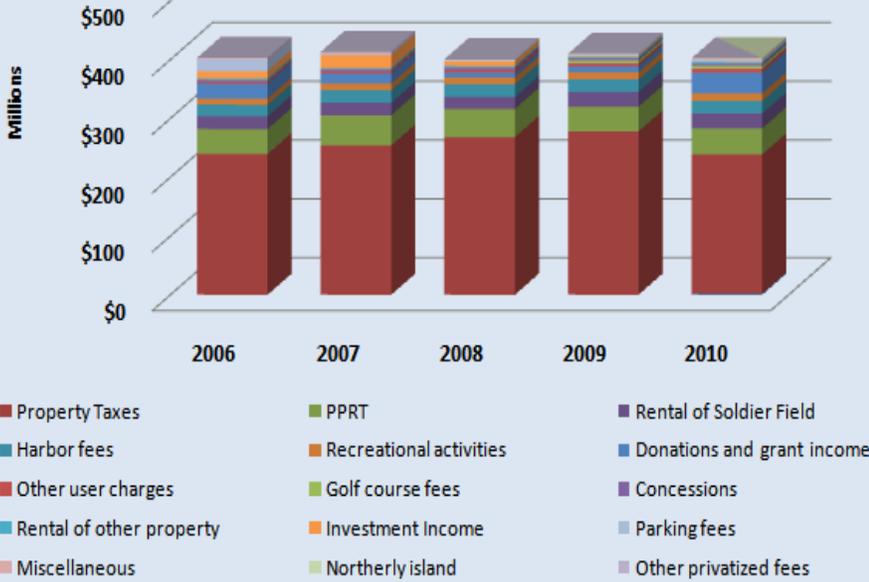
The District maintains 16 individual governmental funds of which six are major. The six major governmental funds are as follows: the General Fund, the Long-term Income Reserve Fund, the Bond Debt Service Fund, the Park Improvements Fund, the Garage Revenue Capital Improvement Fund and the Federal, State and Local Grants Fund. Data from the other eight governmental funds are presented in a single, combined schedule. The total revenues from all funds from the last five years are shown below. Amounts are in thousands. The chart on the following page shows where the District's revenues are derived from.

Revenues By Source-All Funds from 2006 thru 2010

Revenue Source	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Percent of total	Increase/ (Decrease) from 2009
Property Taxes	239,371	253,681	268,090	277,740	236,493	59.1%	(41,247)
PPRT	42,482	51,591	47,991	42,150	44,349	11.1%	2,199
Rental of Soldier Field	21,816	21,092	20,245	24,916	25,315	6.3%	399
Harbor fees	19,447	21,432	21,796	21,184	21,320	5.3%	136
Recreational activities	10,629	11,256	11,317	12,444	13,007	3.3%	563
Donations and grant income	25,252	17,239	8,025	9,735	35,457	8.9%	25,722
Other user charges	3,155	3,459	4,747	5,403	6,349	1.6%	946
Golf course fees	500	500	321	4,613	4,668	1.2%	55
Concessions	2,456	2,505	3,833	3,792	4,170	1.0%	378
Rental of other property	2,808	2,770	2,422	2,376	2,537	0.6%	161
Investment Income	12,348	21,869	8,277	1,548	459	0.1%	(1,089)
Parking fees	19,400	1,732	1,460	1,548	2,419	0.6%	871
Miscellaneous	1,545	2,552	787	1,163	2,540	0.6%	1,377
Northerly island	-	-	897	882	979	0.2%	97
Other privatized fees	1,690	1,312	2	3	-	0.0%	(3)
Totals	\$ 402,899	\$ 412,990	\$ 400,210	\$ 409,497	\$ 400,062	100.0%	\$ (9,435)

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Revenues By Source-All Funds

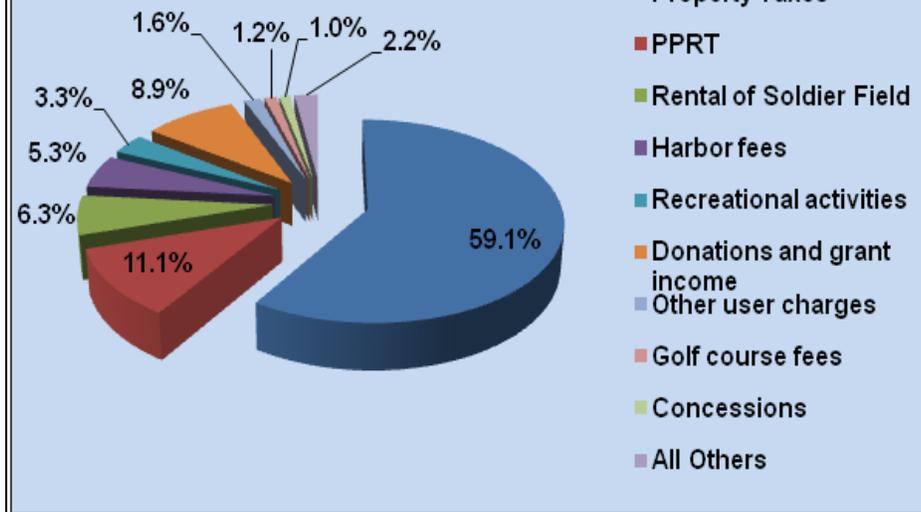


- In 2010, property tax receipts were \$236.4 million or \$41.3 million lower than the prior year. Personal Property Replacement Tax revenues came in at \$44.3 million, or \$2.1 million higher than in FY 2009.

- Investment income totaled \$459 thousand for the year in a stagnant economy and interest rates remaining at historical low levels. Revenues from park programming such as day camp and park kids saw an increase of \$563 thousand over 2009. Parking revenues rose over \$871 thousand mostly due to the expanded Pay and Display program.

- Combined revenues from harbor, Soldier Field, golf, etc. were up slightly from last year. With more permits being issued (Other User Charges), this category was up \$1 million.
- The greatest increase in revenue was due to grant income received from the State of Illinois (DCEO), the City of Chicago via Tax Increment Financing (TIF) and Aldermanic Menu Money Allocations. The District recognized \$35 million in grant revenue in 2010.

2010 Revenues By Source-All Funds



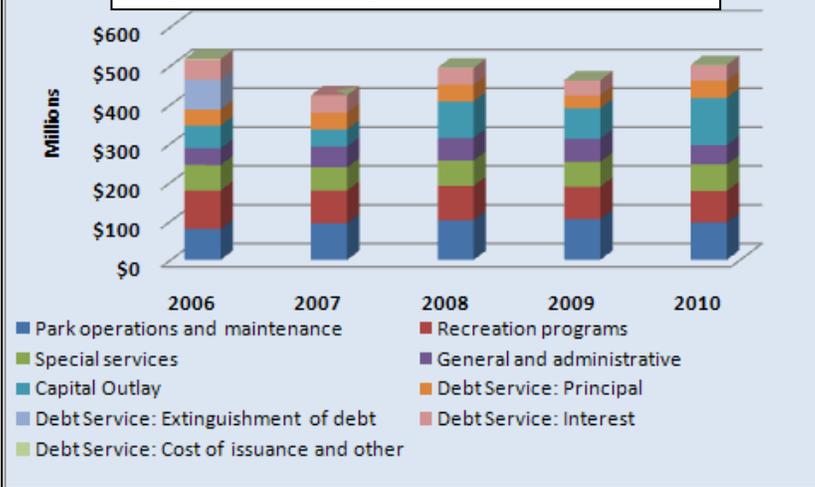
To illustrate how the District spends the above revenues, the next page highlights expenditure trends for the last five years and the allocation of spending to each function. Amounts are in thousands.

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Expenditures and Other Financing Uses-All Funds from 2006 thru 2010

Expenditure Function	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Increase/ Percent of total	(Decrease) from 2009
Park operations and maintenance	79,322	94,110	101,989	104,769	95,802	19.1%	(8,967)
Recreation programs	99,435	84,522	88,136	83,472	81,825	16.3%	(1,647)
Special services	65,633	59,667	65,739	64,018	67,878	13.5%	3,860
General and administrative	42,728	53,597	58,329	59,692	50,171	10.0%	(9,521)
Capital Outlay	58,682	44,118	93,319	78,120	121,396	24.2%	43,276
Debt Service: Principal	41,740	43,360	43,820	33,418	43,892	8.7%	10,474
Debt Service: Extinguishment of debt	75,951	—	—	—	—	0.0%	-
Debt Service: Interest	52,231	44,613	42,397	38,883	39,544	7.9%	661
Debt Service: Cost of issuance and other	2,166	—	1,258	327	1,792	0.4%	1,465
	\$ 517,888	\$ 423,987	\$ 494,987	\$ 462,699	\$ 502,300	100.0%	\$ 39,601
Total Revenues	402,899	412,990	400,210	409,497	400,062		(9,435)
Excess of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	\$(114,989)	\$ (10,997)	\$ (94,777)	\$ (53,202)	\$(102,238)		\$ (49,036)

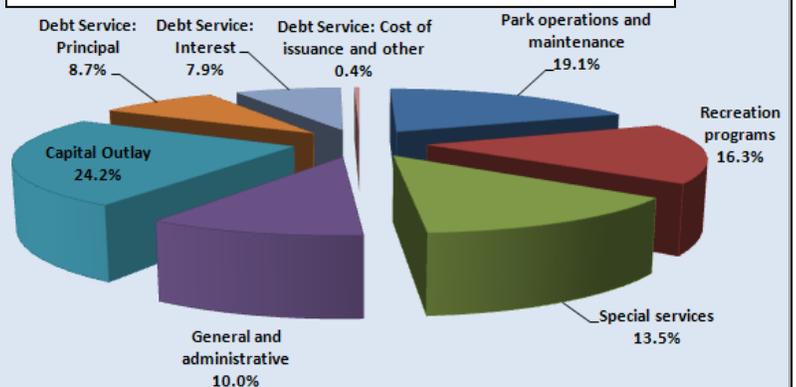
Expenditures By Function-All Funds



- Overall, total expenditures increased by \$39 million mainly from higher capital spending. Capital Outlay total jumped from \$78 million in 2009 to \$121 million in 2010.
- Expenditures across other functions-Park Operations, Recreation Programs and General Administrative all showed significant decreases from 2009. A total of \$21 million was reduced from 2009 levels.

- Debt Service spending increased by \$10 million due to higher principal and interest payments for bonds issued to pay for capital spending.
- Special Services (harbor, golf, Soldier Field, parking, etc.), the Aquarium and Museums and Lincoln Park and Indian Boundary Zoo, all increased by a total of \$3.8 million.

2010 Expenditures By Function-All Funds



CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS



Mary Bartelme Park

Formerly called Park 542, this 1.4 acre site in the West Loop

Community is definitely a jewel. The new park covers an entire city block and combines a sense of history with modern, innovative design elements. Three diagonal paths intersect in this park to create distinct, programmed zones, including a fountain plaza, children's playground, and dog friendly area.

Chicago Women's Park

Formerly known as South Loop Fieldhouse, Women's Park includes a major interior rehab, a new boiler, windows and doors, and a variety of other improvements. Special highlights of the park include: a fabulous rock climbing wall, and a newly design play area for toddlers created in the atmosphere of Leaps and Bounds.



Stearns Quarry



This former industrial site has undergone a major site improvement, with the most recent project transforming the park into an expansive nature area/park. Stearns has a fishing pond, preserved quarry walls, walking trails, athletic field, running track, and a hill that offers dramatic views. In

2010, the District also installed guard rails, fencing, and lighting.

Osterman Beach

The new beach includes restroom facilities, a life guard office and a concession stand. Just under \$2 million was capitalized in 2010, to achieve maximum efficiency in the use of natural light and a rain water harvesting system.



Valley Forge Park

The Clearing Community Area is now served by a new fully accessible 10,244 square foot field house. The building includes a half size gymnasium, fitness center, community rooms, and outdoor fully accessible playground. Awarded a LEED Gold rating, the Valley Forge Field House is designed to achieve maximum efficiency with the use of natural light, rain water harvesting, a living "green" roof, and geothermal mechanic systems.



PRIVATIZED CONTRACTS

In order to more effectively serve its patrons, generate revenue, and save costs, the Chicago Park District outsources some of its services and facilities to private management.

Harbors

The Chicago Park District owns the largest municipal harbor system in North America, consisting of 9 harbors with over 5,100 boat slips and moorings. Harbors have appeared prominently in lakefront planning and development since the creation of Burnham



DuSable Harbor

and Bennett's plan of 1909. The harbors are managed by Westrec Marina.

The 31st Street Harbor is currently under construction along Chicago's south lakeshore. Located in the Bronzeville neighborhood on Chicago's south side, the 31st Street Harbor will incorporate extensive new community amenities and a 1,000 slip marina. The 1,200 foot long breakwater will also create a new underwater habitat and provide opportunities for fishing. Total harbor revenue exceeded \$21 million in 2010.

Golf Courses

The Chicago Park District owns 6 golf courses, 3 driving ranges, and two

Diversey Driving Range



miniature golf courses managed by Billy Casper Golf. Many of the facilities such as the Diversey Driving Range offer picturesque views of the city off of Lake Michigan. The golf courses generated \$4,668,000 in revenues in 2010.

Soldier Field

Soldier Field, one of Chicago's most famous landmarks, opened in 1924 and was known as one of the great venues during the –Golden Age of Sports. The stadium parklands has a long history of hosting exciting sports and special events including rock concerts, festivals, rodeos, circuses and even a skiing/ toboggan event.

The surrounding 17-acre park is home to beautifully landscaped grounds and family areas

such as the Children's Garden, Sledding Hill and Veteran's Memorial. In



2003, a reconstructed Soldier Field opened to the public. Renovations valued at approximately \$642 million resulted in a new 61,500 seat stadium sitting within the confines of the old stadium and preserving the historic colonnades and exterior walls. Additional parkland was added as well as a new parking garage and numerous modern amenities. Soldier Field generated rental revenue of \$25,315,000 in 2010.

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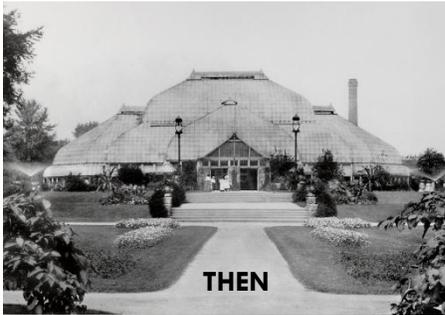


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