

LAKE METROPARKS Budget Request Summary 2024



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LAKE METROPARKS, OHIO 2024 BUDGET SUMMARY

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Memorandum

TO: BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
FROM: PAUL PALAGYI, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
SUBJECT: 2024 LAKE METROPARKS BUDGET REQUEST
DATE: NOVEMBER 15, 2023

Please accept the attached budget request for the operations of Lake Metroparks (The Park District) for the Fiscal Year 2024. The requested District-wide expenditures budget for 2024 reflects an increase of \$2,965,919 from 2023 or 9.9%. The General Fund expenditure request is \$24,559,115, which is an increase of \$1,432,419 or 6.19%. The General Fund expenditure includes a \$4.25 million transfer to the Improvement Fund. Excluding the transfer, the operating portion of the General Fund would only increase \$682,419 or 3.477%. See page 17 for a more detailed explanation of the General Fund expenditure operational increases.

The budget request conveyed in this document will enable the Park District to continue our priority of providing clean and safe parks and outstanding programs and events for the residents of Lake County. The cost of various materials and services has continued to increase over the past year and staff has done a good job at keeping our expenditures as low as practical. The 2024 budget also provides for the creation of several new public amenities such as the second phase of the shoreline trail that we envision will eventually run from Painesville Twp. Park to Fairport Harbor.

2024 DISTRICT-WIDE BUDGET REQUEST: The total 2024 District-wide budget request for all expenditures of \$32,644,115, which is an increase of \$2,965,919 from 2023 or 9.9%. Our anticipated 2024 District-wide revenue is \$31,709,868, which is an increase of \$2,369,690 from 2023 or 8.07%.

GENERAL FUND: The 2024 projected beginning fund balance in the General Fund is \$23,073,111. The 2024 General Fund budgeted expenditures of \$24,559,115 (including transfers out of \$4,250,000) is an increase of \$1,432,419 or 6.19%. Total projected General Fund revenues for 2024 are \$23,546,302 compared to 2023 budgeted General Fund revenues of \$22,599,603, which is an increase in projected revenues of \$946,699 or 4.19%.

IMPROVEMENT FUND: The 2024 projected beginning fund balance in the Improvement Fund is \$1,717,689. A General Fund transfer of \$4,250,000, revenues of \$1,663,316 and the carryover balance will allow us to expend \$5,969,000 on capital improvements, equipment replacement, repairs to infrastructure and land acquisition with a projected carryforward balance of \$1,662,005 for 2025.

HEALTH AND LIFE FUND: The Health and Life Fund accounts for the Park District's self-insured hospitalization and prescription drug claims, premium based dental, vision, and life insurance programs as well as our employee assistance and wellness programs. The estimated 2024 expenditures in this fund are \$2,100,000 which is an increase of \$165,000 or 8.52%. The increase in expenditures is due to the anticipated premium and administrative cost increases for the 2024-2025 health insurance policy period. The estimated 2024 revenues to the Health and Life Fund are \$2,246,100. The Health and Life revenue is a combination of premium payments made by the Park District and employees as well as interest revenue.

DRUG ENFORCEMENT FUND: The Drug Enforcement Fund accounts for the court fines attributed to drug offenses. For 2024, we are budgeting \$16,000 of expenditures that are available for drug enforcement with anticipated revenues of \$4,150.

2024 BUDGET AT A GLANCE

	General Fund 01	Improvement Fund 02	Health and Life Fund 06	Drug Enforcement Fund 08	Totals
2023 Carry Over (Estimated)	\$23,073,111	\$1,717,689	\$2,506,750	\$20,069	\$27,317,619
Revenues	23,546,302	1,663,316	2,246,100	4,150	27,459,868
Transfer In		4,250,000			4,250,000
Expenditures	(20,309,115)		(2,100,000)	(16,000)	(22,425,115)
CIP Expenditures		(5,969,000)			(5,969,000)
Transfer Out	(4,250,000)				(4,250,000)
2024 Year-end Encumbrances (Estimated)	(200,000)				(200,000)
2024 Carry Forward (Estimated)	\$21,860,298	\$1,662,005	\$2,652,850	\$8,219	\$26,183,372
Percentage of Carry Forward Balance as compared to Budgeted Expenditures	89.01%	27.84%	126.33%	51.37%	80.21%

RESOLUTION NO.: 2023-024

LAKE METROPARKS

INTRODUCED BY:

CONCORD, OHIO

A Resolution of the Board of Park Commissioners of Lake Metroparks to approve the 2024 Budget Appropriation as attached.

Seconded by:

Ayes:

Nays:

Passed:

BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
LAKE METROPARKS

Gretchen Skok DiSanto
President

ATTEST:

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Park Commissioners of Lake Metroparks of the State of Ohio on the 13th day of December 2023.

Paul B. Palagyi
Executive Director

LAKE METROPARKS
2024 BUDGET

DESCRIPTION	MEMO ONLY GRAND TOTAL	EXECUTIVE	MARKETING	RANGERS	FINANCIAL SERVICES	PARK PLANNING	GOLF
Salaries	\$10,765,330	\$671,380	\$281,220	\$1,218,200	\$749,800	\$772,600	\$725,860
O.P.E.R.S.	1,500,390	94,100	39,300	193,200	76,990	108,000	101,900
Medicare	157,900	10,000	4,100	17,500	11,000	11,300	10,900
Workers Compensation	128,870	8,060	3,370	14,420	9,010	9,260	8,720
Medical Insurance	2,194,100	97,700	55,500	236,500	111,100	188,800	133,300
Professional Membership	23,456	7,245	3,400	625	3,650	700	2,145
Training, Education	26,700	3,250	1,000	-	3,950	300	200
Travel	52,454	2,200	2,675	7,200	13,899	8,210	300
Mileage	6,920	3,850	25	-	825	200	-
Supplies	1,751,274	31,150	3,350	29,119	42,965	13,550	369,265
Construction	4,896,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
Contract Services	4,043,131	156,400	195,510	158,642	624,625	42,930	139,570
Electric	340,000	-	-	-	-	-	76,000
Heating	113,500	-	-	-	-	-	19,000
Water/Sewer	79,980	-	-	-	-	-	20,250
Telephone	121,835	2,706	1,523	6,094	2,720	18,713	15,342
Contract Repairs	197,566	-	25	4,380	-	-	43,800
Advertising	49,160	2,420	8,125	340	4,000	-	2,425
Rentals	235,696	-	-	150	2,000	-	144,200
Insurance	277,500	-	-	-	277,500	-	-
Materials	135,385	-	-	-	-	24,000	-
Transfers	4,250,000	4,250,000	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Equipment	1,096,968	1,700	-	13,743	2,050	500	200
Land Acquisition	200,000	-	-	-	100,000	-	-
TOTAL	\$32,644,115	\$5,342,161	\$599,123	\$1,900,113	\$2,036,084	\$1,199,063	\$1,813,377

LAKE METROPARKS
2024 BUDGET

NATURAL RESOURCES	OUTDOOR EDUCATION	INTERPRETIVE SERVICES	FARMPARK	REGISTRATION	MEMO ONLY TOTAL GENERAL FUND	IMPROVEMENT FUND	HEALTH AND LIFE FUND	DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT
\$2,265,200	\$1,138,790	\$1,051,820	\$1,684,960	\$205,500	\$10,765,330	\$0	\$0	\$0
316,000	159,300	147,000	235,700	28,900	1,500,390	-	-	-
32,900	16,900	15,400	24,800	3,100	157,900	-	-	-
27,090	13,660	12,590	20,210	2,480	128,870	-	-	-
569,500	216,500	181,000	340,900	63,300	2,194,100	-	-	-
2,500	765	1,515	911	-	23,456	-	-	-
3,000	4,600	250	10,150	-	26,700	-	-	-
4,600	4,470	8,550	250	100	52,454	-	-	-
-	1,900	120	-	-	6,920	-	-	-
500,000	209,310	132,115	419,350	600	1,750,774	-	-	500
-	-	-	-	-	-	4,896,000	-	-
126,040	120,052	84,377	256,485	38,000	1,942,631	-	2,100,000	500
95,000	43,000	51,000	75,000	-	340,000	-	-	-
25,000	12,500	12,000	45,000	-	113,500	-	-	-
15,000	11,730	8,000	25,000	-	79,980	-	-	-
7,780	28,275	18,705	18,114	1,863	121,835	-	-	-
66,000	25,811	10,800	46,750	-	197,566	-	-	-
-	-	3,250	28,600	-	49,160	-	-	-
50,000	15,796	1,150	22,400	-	235,696	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	277,500	-	-	-
67,000	4,000	6,900	33,485	-	135,385	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	4,250,000	-	-	-
10,000	33,950	9,050	36,375	1,400	108,968	973,000	-	15,000
-	-	-	-	-	100,000	100,000	-	-
\$4,182,610	\$2,061,309	\$1,755,592	\$3,324,440	\$345,243	\$24,559,115	\$5,969,000	\$2,100,000	\$16,000

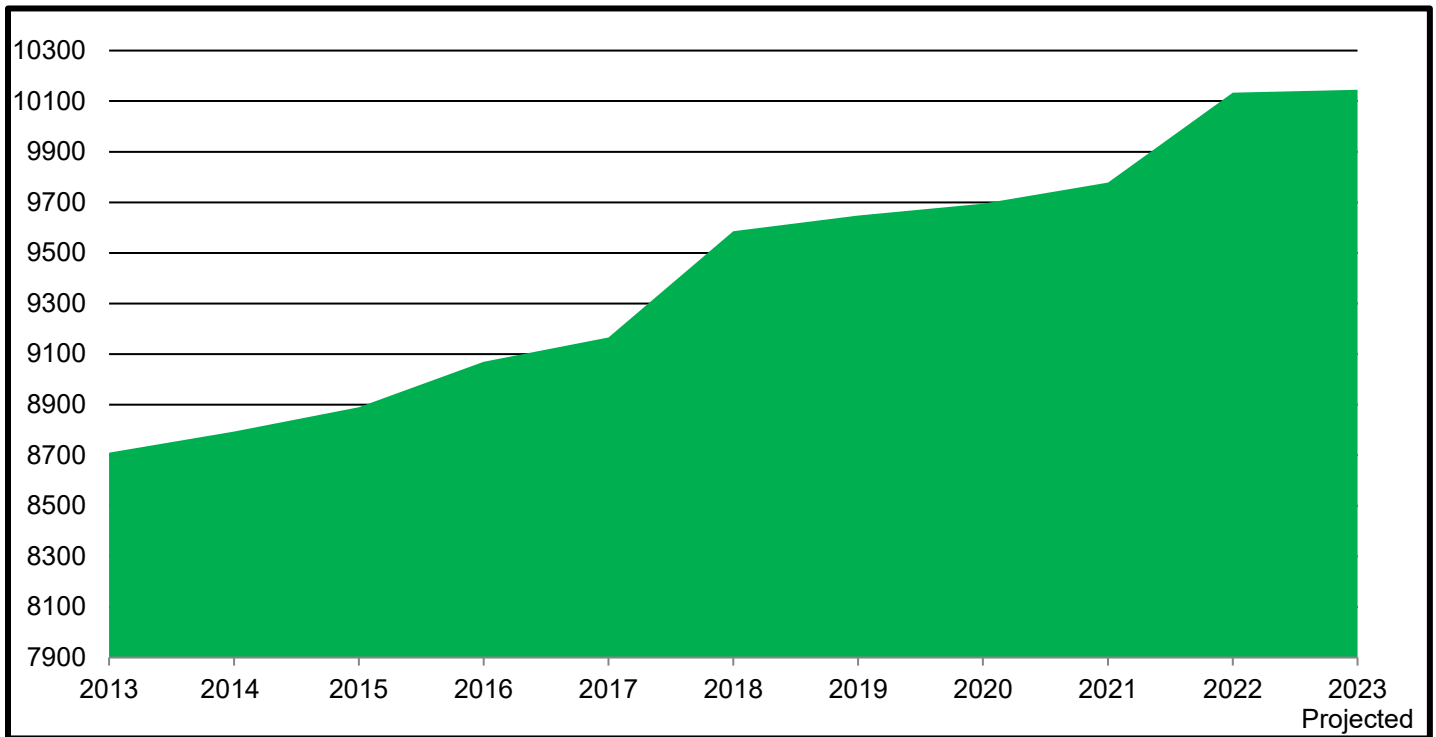
Completed and Prepared by: Christopher J. Brassell
Christopher J. Brassell, CPA
Chief Financial Officer

NOTES:



Park Visitation & Acreage

LAKE METROPARKS LAND ACREAGE 2013 – 2023



LAND ACREAGE - PROTECTED AND ACCESSIBLE

In 2023, the Park District is projected to protect approximately 10,145 acres owned or managed by the Park District. The only addition to our acreage total over the past year was the 12.4 acres we received as a permanent easement for the first two phases of the Lakefront Trail.

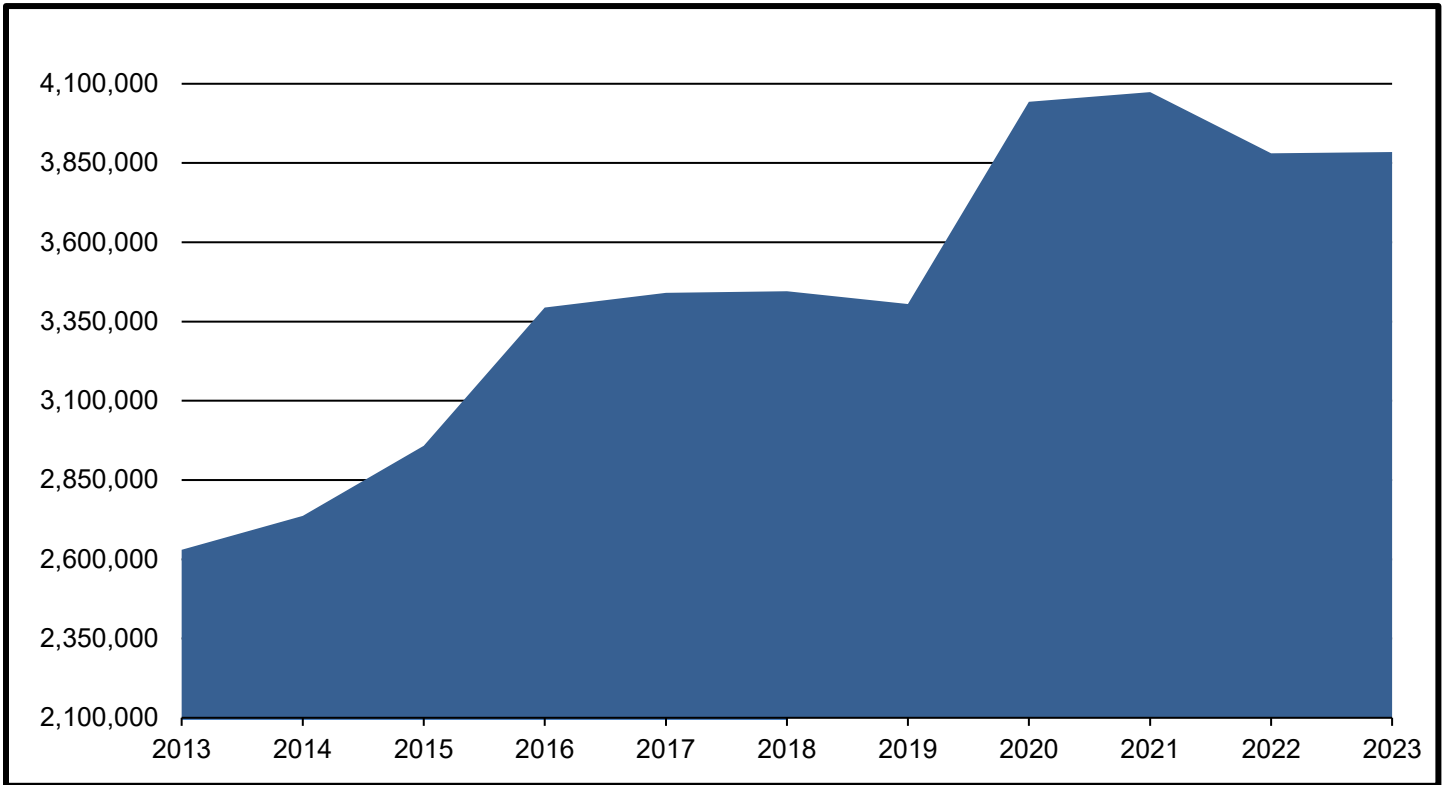
2022 - 2023 IN – PERSON VISITATION

Park visitation was essentially unchanged from the last measurement period. We ended the year at an estimated 3,884,941 visitors which is technically a 0.10 percent increase. After a dramatic increase of 18 percent in 2020-21 due to the pandemic and a very minor increase in 2021 we saw a 4.7 percent decrease in 2022 which we believe was a “post-pandemic” correction. Essentially flat visitation this year indicates that the correction is over, and we are now at a new norm, which is still dramatically above our 2019 level. The top five most visited parks were Chagrin River (513,182), Fairport Harbor (417,409), Penitentiary Glen (284,913) Veterans Park (262,176), and Pine Ridge (220,258).

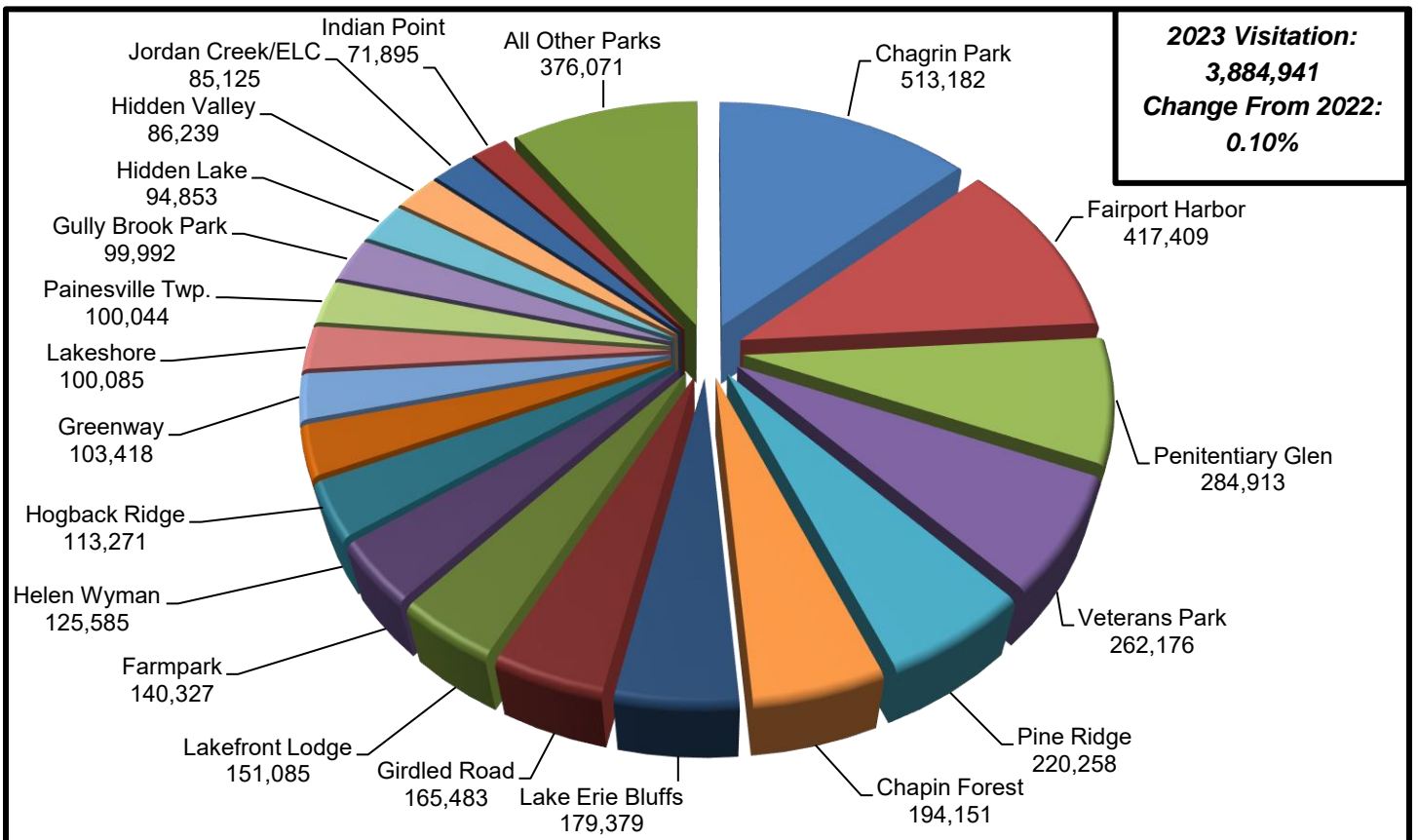
2022 - 2023 VIRTUAL VISITATION

Lake Metroparks uses modern technology to connect the parks with our residents. Several strategically placed cameras, give “virtual visitors” the opportunity to visit the parks when they cannot physically travel. We recognize that we have an aging population in Lake County and continue to invest in technology to expand our webcam offerings for those who are unable to come to the parks in person. Our most popular webcams by links are: Fairport Harbor Beach 18,867, Lake Erie Bluffs 17,505, Chapin Forest 12,239, Bobcat Camera 6,189 and the Bald Eagle Camera 3,120. During the 2022-2023 school year, the Park District also provided nine virtual programs to over 400 students.

TOTAL PARK VISITATION 2013 – 2023



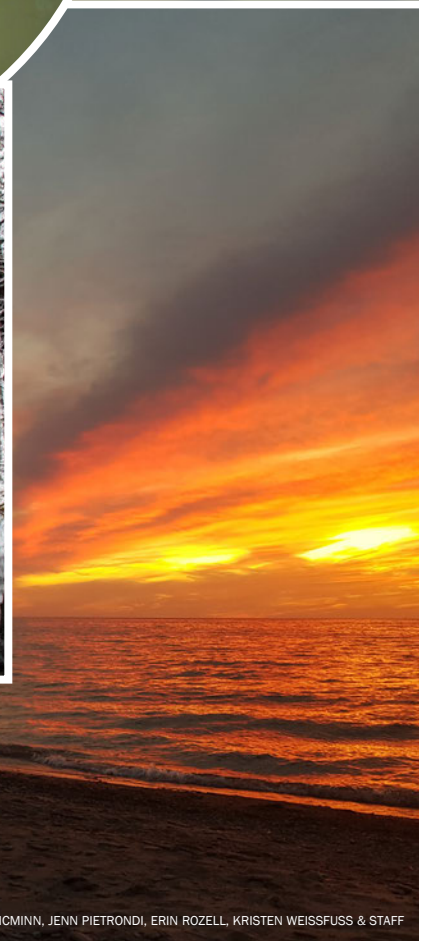
2023 VISITATION BY PARK



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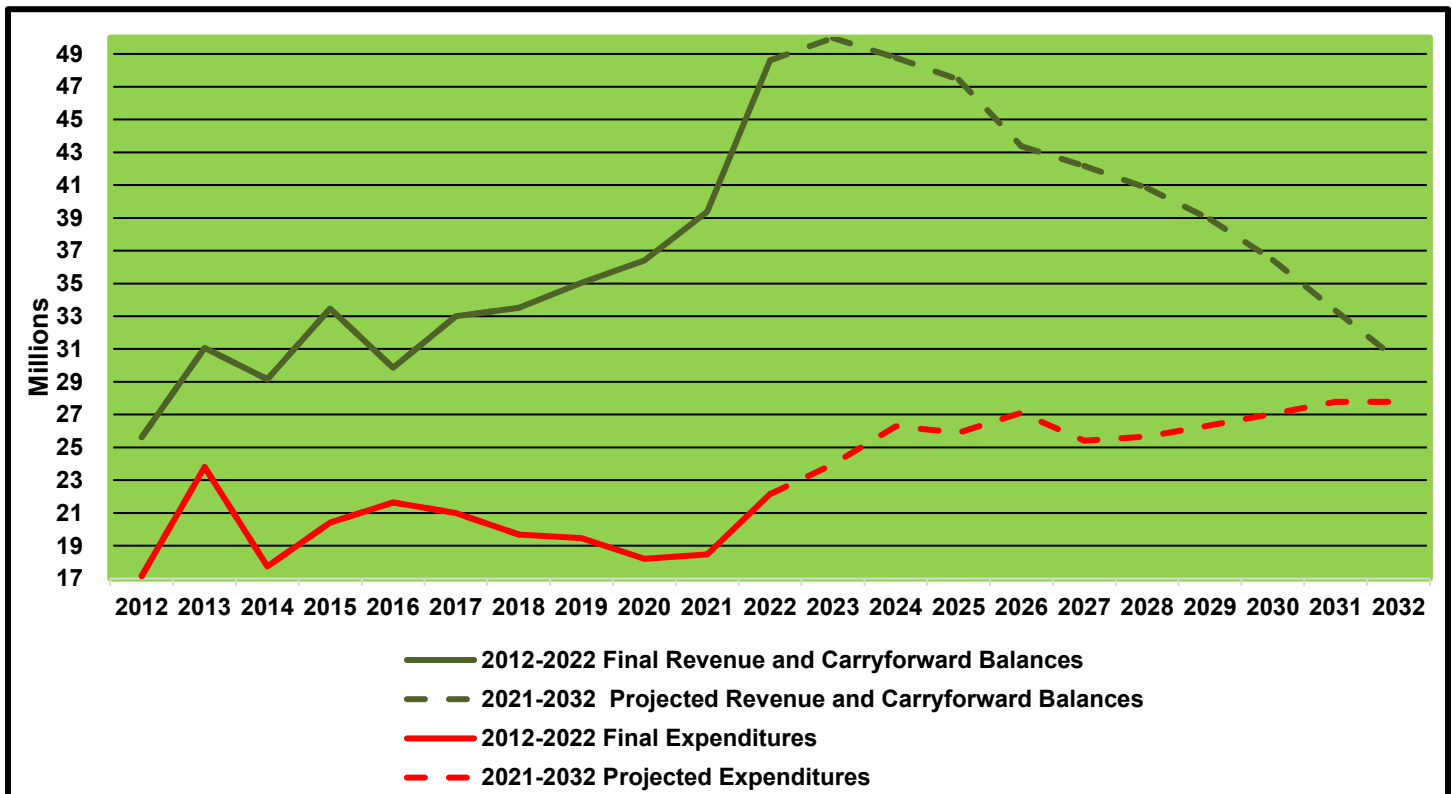


Financial Forecast



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FINANCIAL FORECAST REVENUES AND CARRYOVERS AS COMPARED TO EXPENDITURES 2012-2032



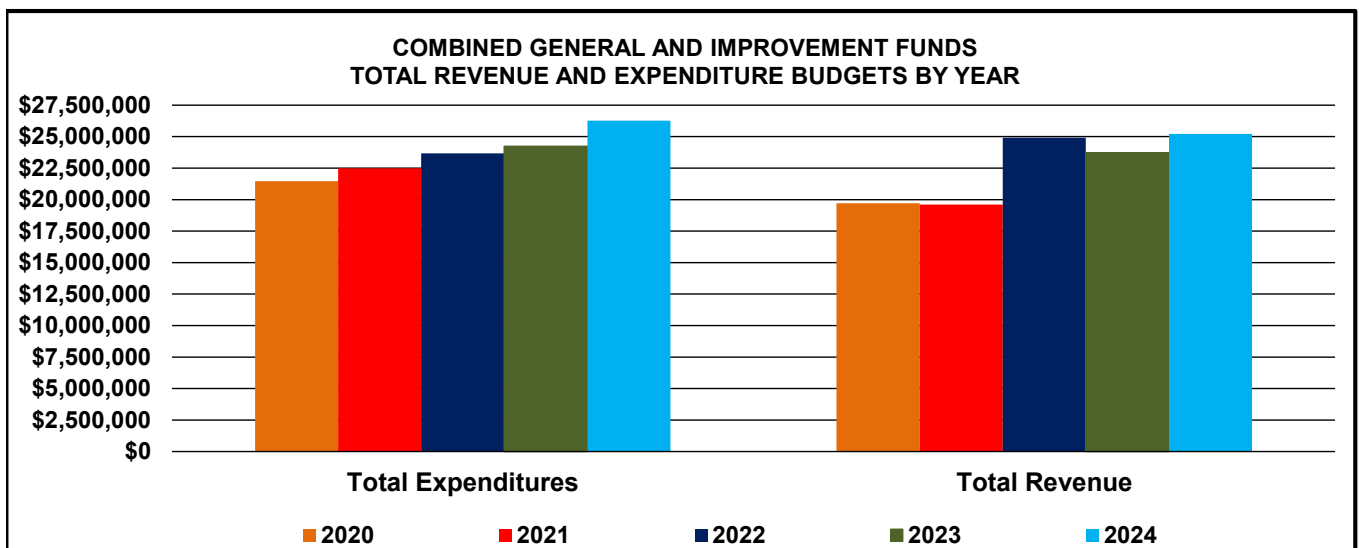
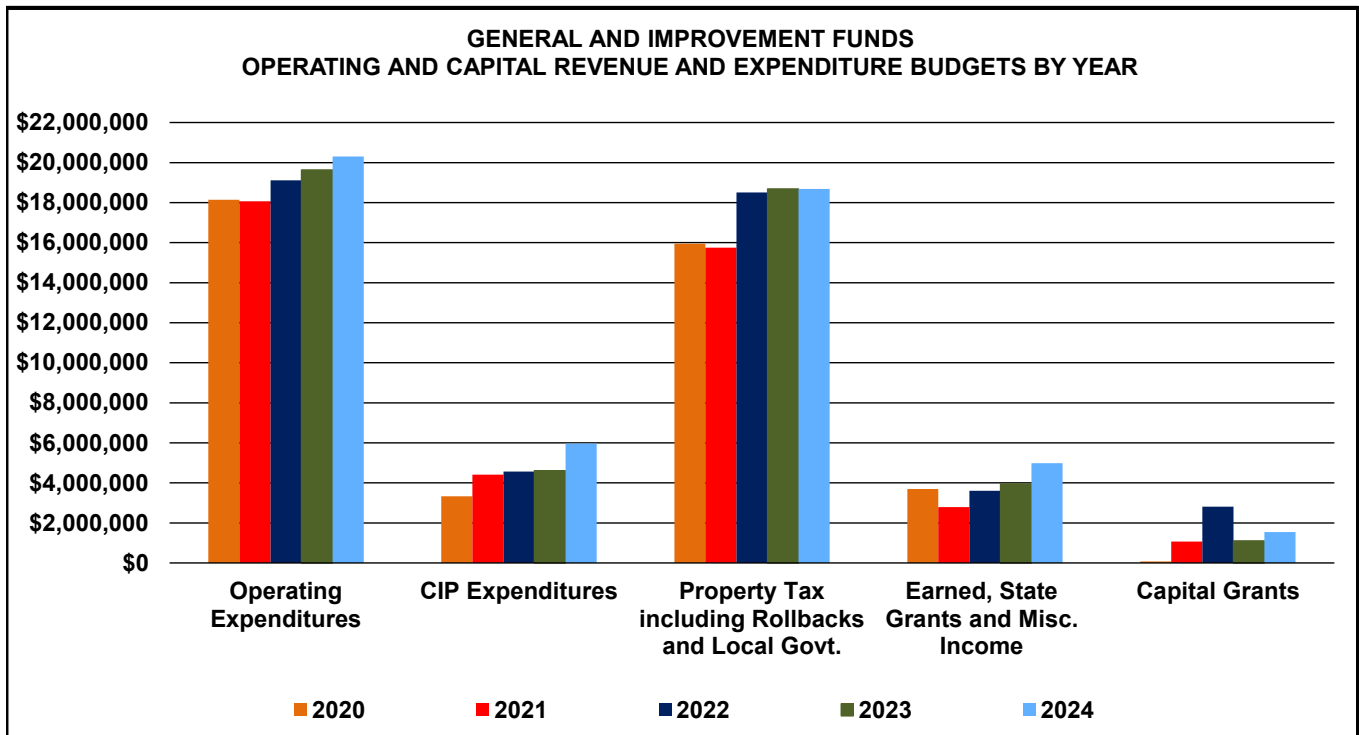
FINANCIAL FORECAST

The staff at the Park District is sensitive to the balance between providing services and the ability to financially support these services. Although this budget document is only for 2024, the Financial Forecast considers current decisions as well as projected revenues and expenditures through 2032. The 2022 increase in the financial forecast above includes the passage of the 2021 .8 mill renewal levy, and the additional new .4 mill levy. The .4 mill levy is estimated to generate approximately \$2.4 million in new annual revenue. In addition, the Financial Forecast includes modest increases to our operating expenditure budget of approximately 3% from 2024 to 2032 and a 0.5% increase to our existing nontax revenue streams. These conservative estimates have been used in developing this forecast. The abnormal spikes in revenues and expenditures in 2013 and 2015 were due to the grants received and subsequent expenditures specifically for the purchase of the Lake Erie Bluffs.

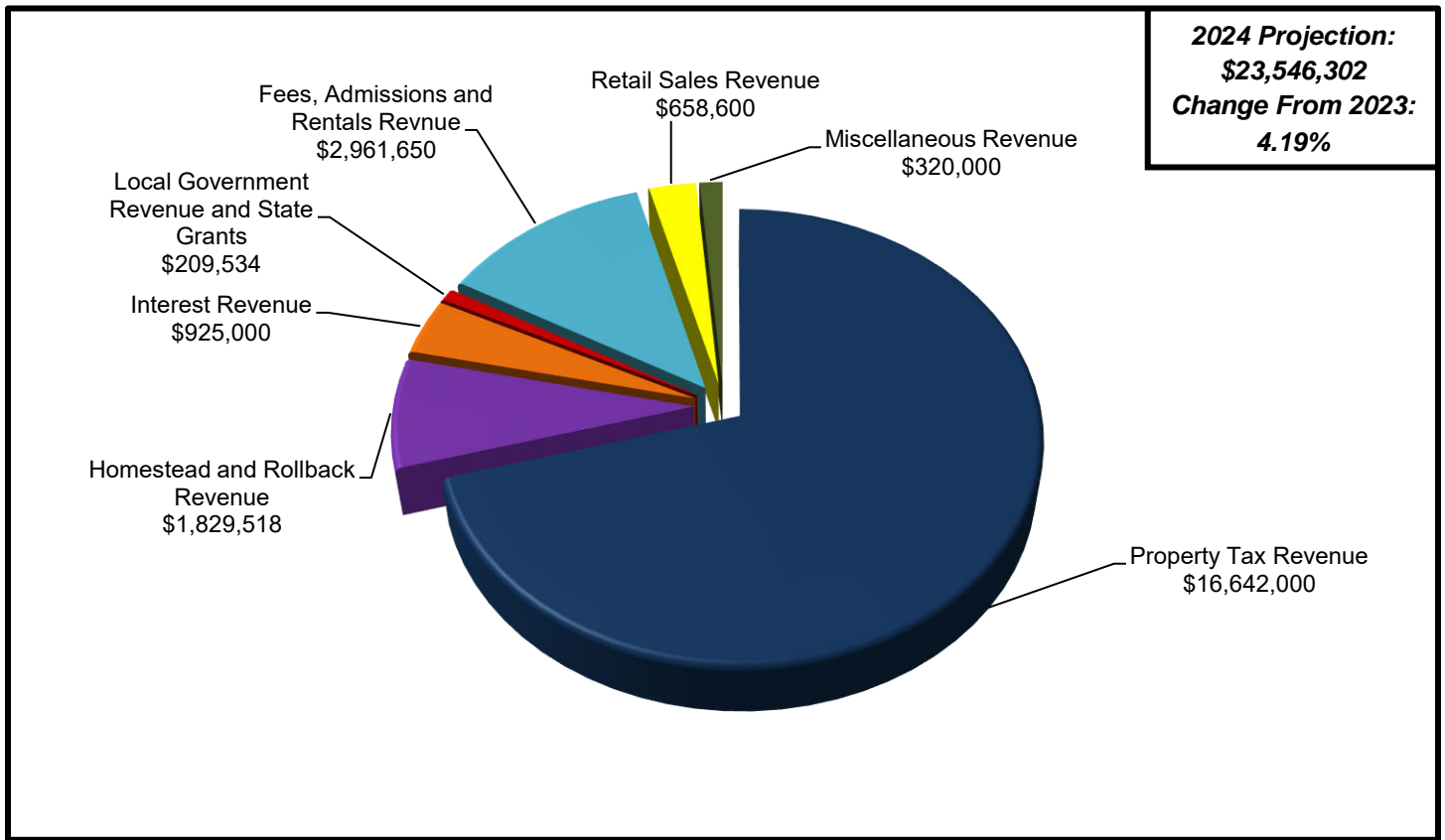
The chart on page 15 illustrates the General and Capital Funds breakdown of our budgeted revenues and expenditures since 2020. Our budgeted operating expenditures and revenues have remained relatively consistent. Since 2013, the focus has been placed on stabilizing long-term capital project spending by adhering more closely to a rolling *Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan*. The capital improvement plan in this budget document continues with that same philosophy.

GENERAL AND IMPROVEMENT FUNDS EXPENDITURE BUDGETS *				GENERAL AND IMPROVEMENT FUNDS REVENUE BUDGETS *			
Year	Operating Expenditures	CIP Expenditures	Total Expenditures	Property Tax including Rollbacks and Local Govt.	Earned, State Grants and Misc. Income	Capital Grants	Total Revenue
2020	\$18,136,923	\$3,328,500	\$21,465,423	\$15,947,611	\$3,694,405	\$75,000	\$19,717,016
2021	\$18,070,049	\$4,408,000	\$22,478,049	\$15,749,849	\$2,790,700	\$1,073,000	\$19,613,549
2022	\$19,110,727	\$4,566,000	\$23,676,727	\$18,503,378	\$3,605,900	\$2,810,000	\$24,919,278
2023	\$19,626,696	\$4,612,000	\$24,238,696	\$18,678,303	\$3,945,100	\$1,097,500	\$23,720,903
2024	\$20,309,115	\$5,969,000	\$26,278,115	\$18,679,552	\$4,982,566	\$1,547,500	\$25,209,618

* - Budgeted expenditures and revenues excludes Transfers Out of the General Fund.



2024 GENERAL FUND REVENUE PROJECTION



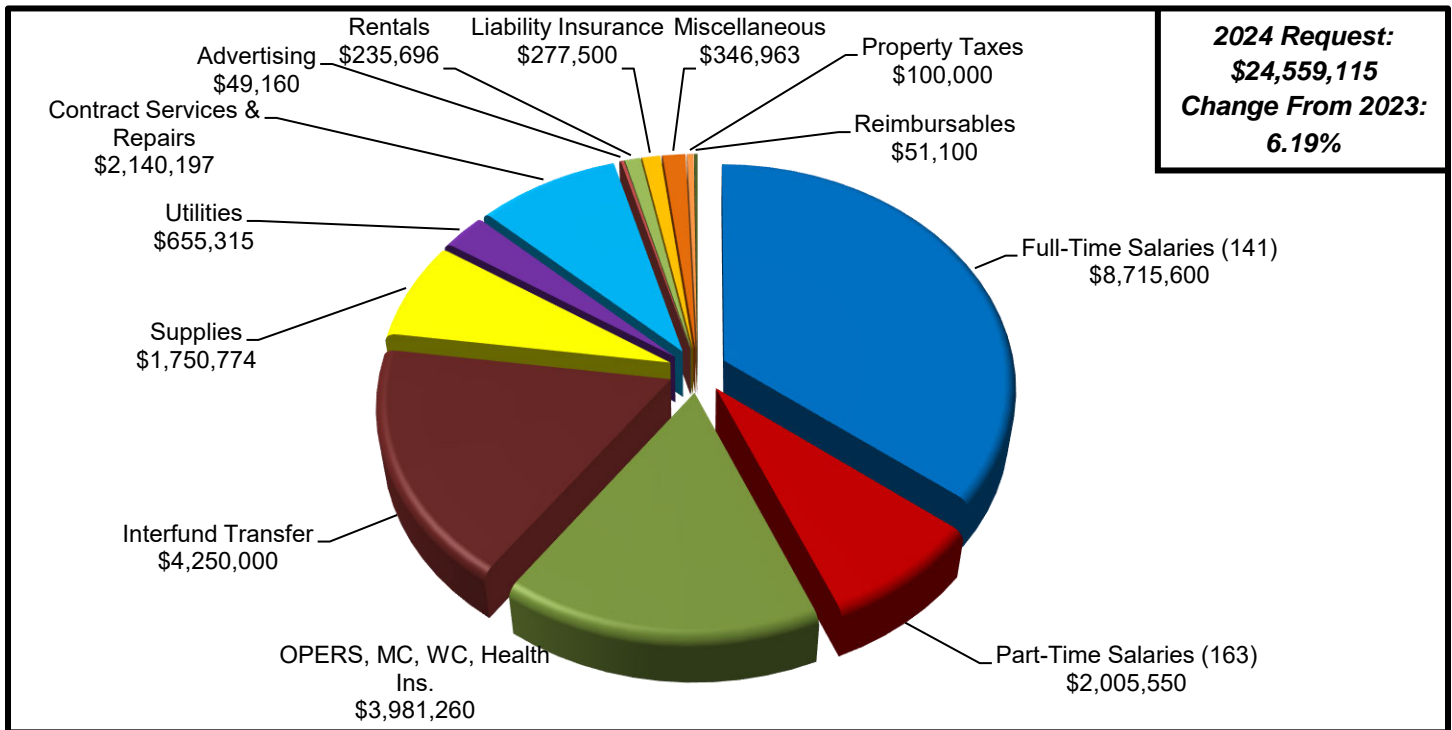
	<u>2021 Budget</u>	<u>2022 Budget</u>	<u>2023 Budget</u>	<u>2024 Projection</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Total Lake Metroparks	\$18,590,106	\$22,090,978	\$22,599,603	\$23,546,302	\$946,699	4.19%

The 2024 General Fund projected revenues total of \$23,546,302, is an increase of \$946,699 or 4.19% over 2023.

Property Tax and Homestead and Rollback revenues continue to account for the largest portion of the General Fund Revenue. In 2024, 78.45% of the budgeted General Fund operating revenues are derived from Property Tax and Homestead and Rollback revenues. Based on the information received from the County Auditor, the 1.9 mill levy which expires at the end of 2025, accounts for an estimated \$10,782,042 (58.37%) of the total Property Tax and Homestead and Rollback revenue while the .8 mill levy, which was voted on and approved as a renewal in November 2021, comprises \$4,539,807 (24.58%), a new .4 mill levy approved in November 2021, comprises \$2,452,458 (13.28%) and the remaining \$697,211 (3.77%) is generated by the .1 mill of inside millage. Included in the 1.9 and .8 property tax levy revenues are \$1,829,518 which represents the projected amount of Homestead and Rollback revenues to be received from the State of Ohio.

All other estimated revenues excluding Property Tax and Homestead and Rollback are \$5,074,784. All other revenues represent a budgeted increase from 2023 in the amount of \$946,699, with the most significant increase in Interest Income. Interest Income represents 83% of the \$946,699 General Fund other revenue increase, or \$800,000. More detailed General Fund estimated revenue information can be found in the individual departmental summaries later in this document.

2024 GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURE REQUEST



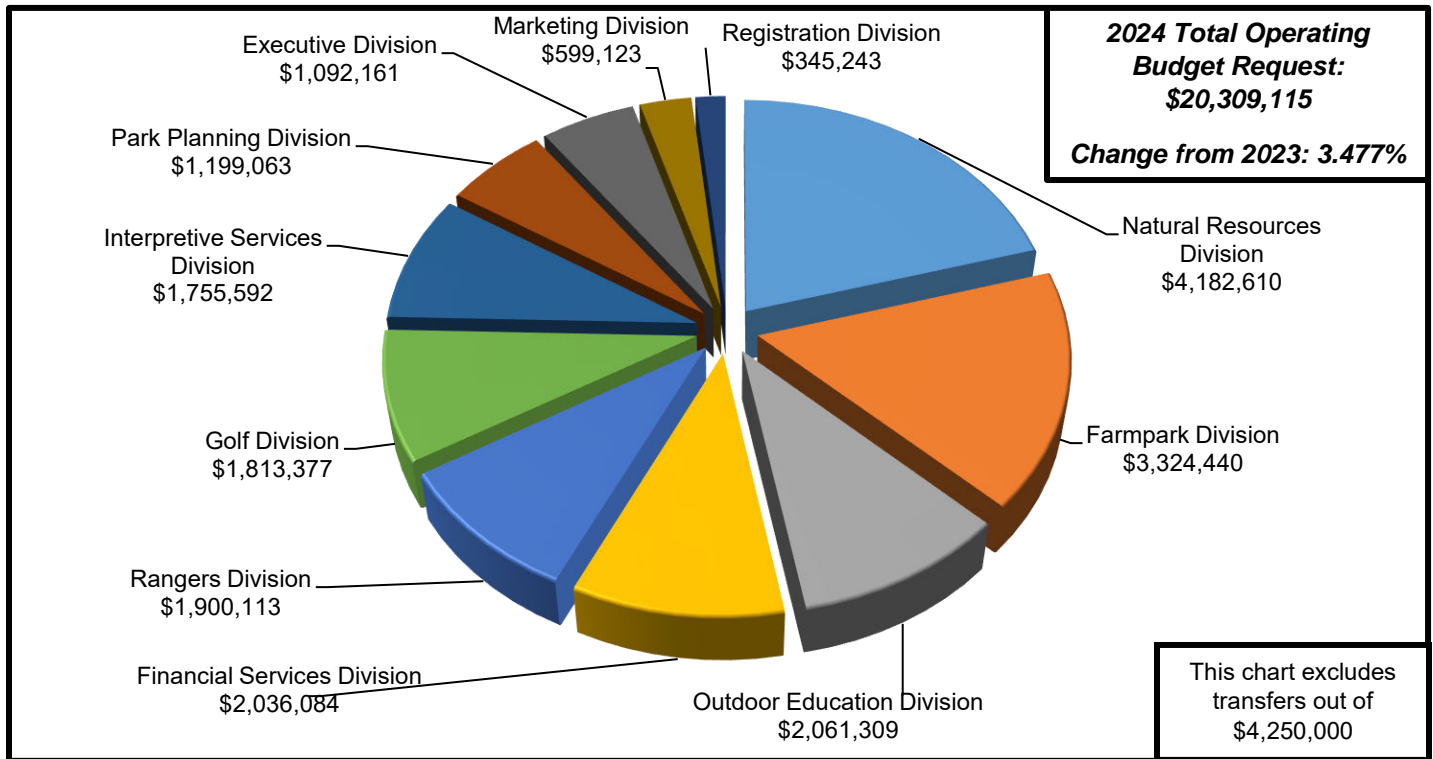
Total Lake Metroparks	2021 Budget	2022 Budget	2023 Budget	2024 Request	\$ Change	% Change
	\$20,820,049	\$21,860,727	\$23,126,696	\$24,559,115	\$1,432,419	6.19%

The 2024 General Fund request for operating expenditures is \$24,559,115, which represents an increase of 6.19% or \$1,432,419 over the 2023 budget. Excluding transfers out to the Improvement Fund, the 2024 budgeted operating increase is 3.48%. The priority of the 2024 request is to provide adequate funding to maintain our existing parks, programs, events and new construction.

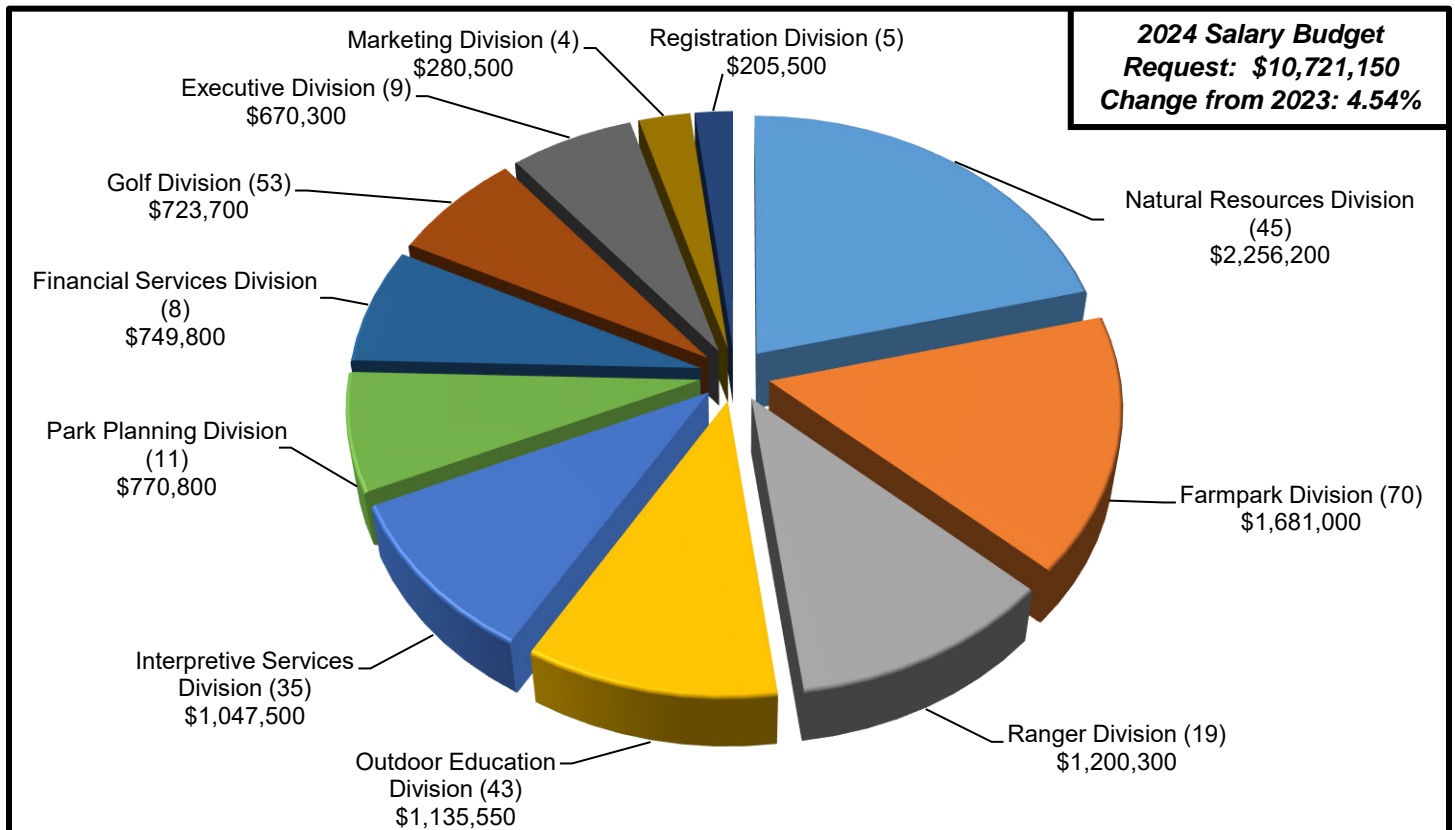
As the chart above illustrates, full-time and part-time salaries represent 43.65% of the total operating budget. With the addition of OPERS contributions, Medicare, Workers Compensation, and Health Insurance expenditures, the Park District's total personnel costs are 59.86% of the total General Fund operating budget. This level of personnel expenditures is reasonable given the Park District's primary objective to provide services to the public as opposed to creating a tangible product which would require more raw materials on an annual basis. Once the Park District expends the cost of acquiring property and completing the initial improvements to provide access (funded primarily out of our Capital Improvement Fund) future General Fund budgets provide staff and resources to maintain the grounds/operations and to conduct programs. These percentages are similar to 2023. The \$1,432,419 projected budget increase represents projected increases in salaries and corresponding employer related taxes and health insurance premiums, contractual services, rentals, and other supplies. Included in the budgeted increase are inflationary increases due to the current economic climate and an increase in operating transfers to the Improvement Fund for new projects. See the individual Divisional pages for additional information regarding more specific 2024 budgetary changes.

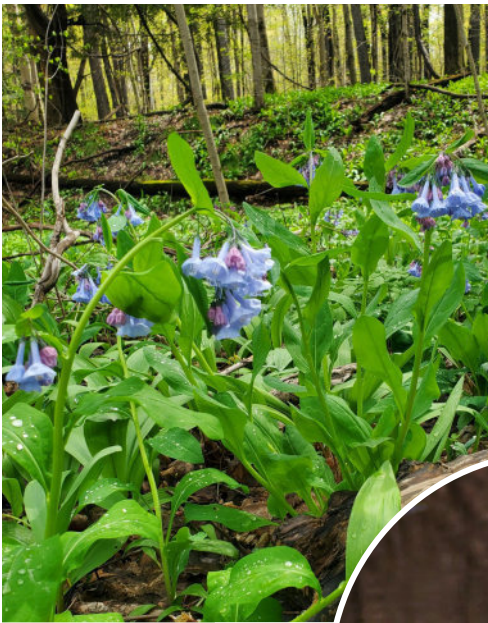
The charts on the following page illustrate total budget and salary expenditures by division within the 2024 request.

2024 TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET BY DIVISION



2024 FULL AND PART-TIME SALARIES/EMPLOYEES BY DIVISION



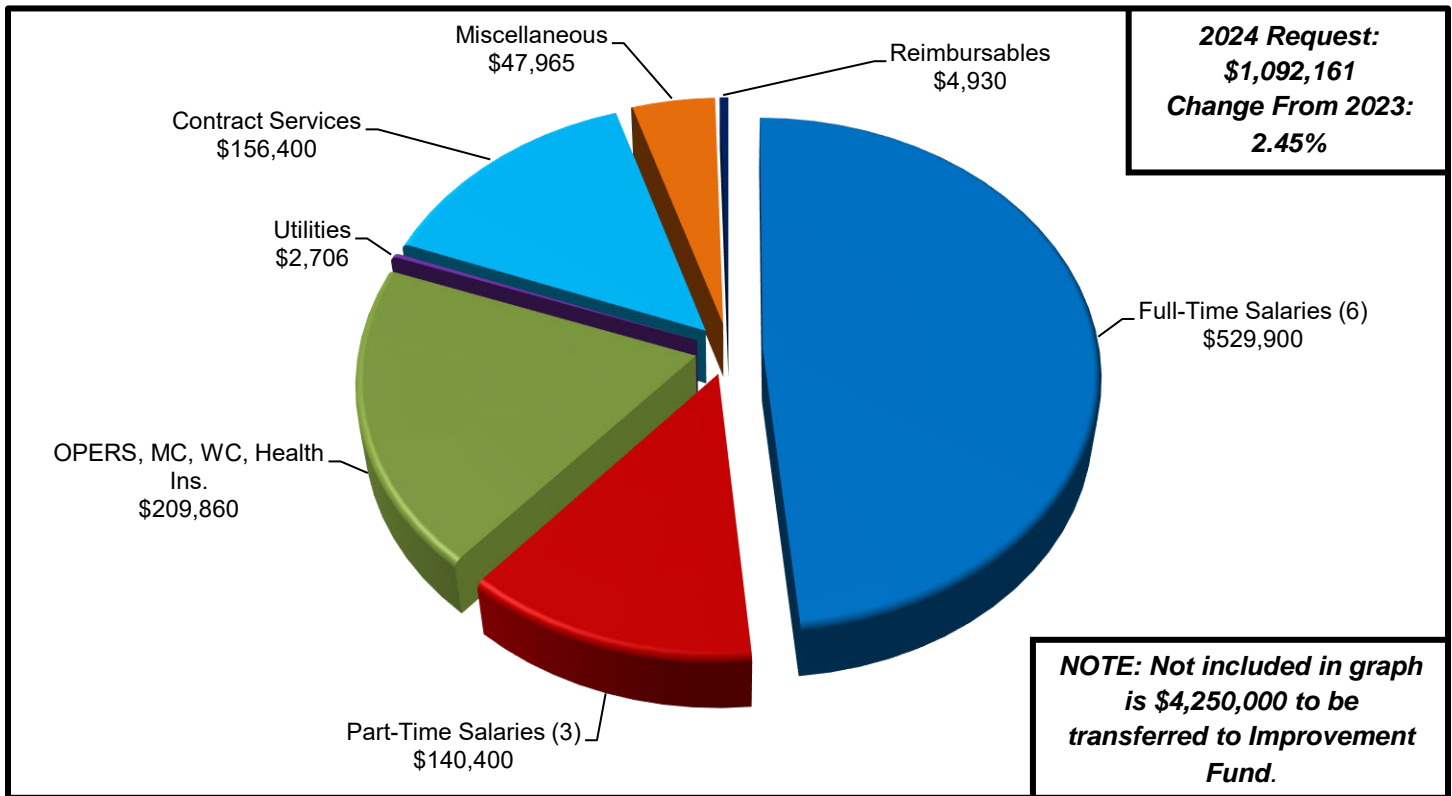


Executive

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- Marketing
- Human Resources
- Volunteers
- Rangers



2024 EXECUTIVE DIVISION EXPENDITURE REQUEST



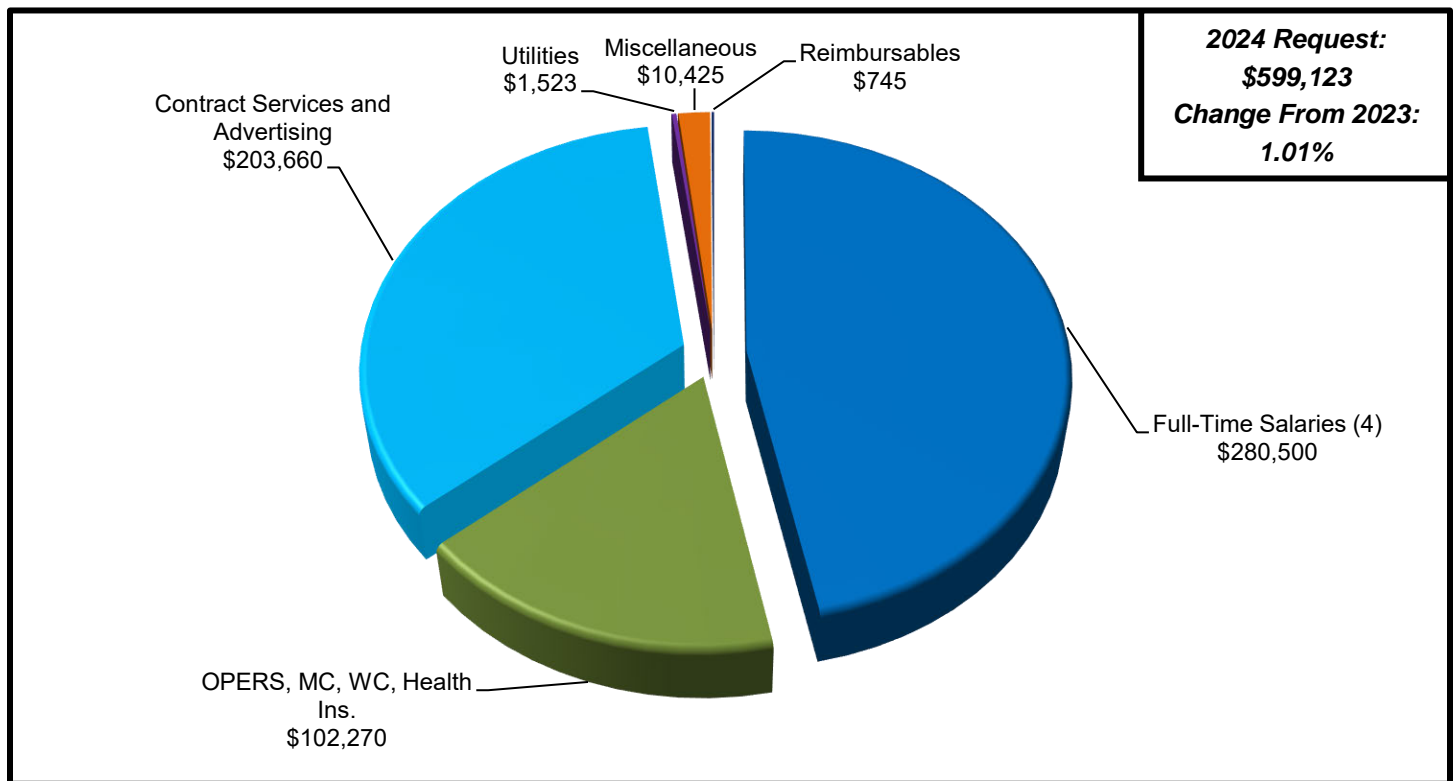
	<u>2021 Budget</u>	<u>2022 Budget</u>	<u>2023 Budget</u>	<u>2024 Request</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Executive Division	\$1,027,206	\$1,045,665	\$1,066,075	\$1,092,161	\$26,086	2.45%

The 2024 Executive Division expenditure budget request is \$1,092,161, which is an increase of \$26,086 or 2.45% from 2023. This increase represents an increase in full and part-time salaries.

The Executive Division budget includes four departments: the Executive, Park Services Director, Human Resources and Volunteer Departments. This Division funds the salaries of the Executive Director, one full time assistant, the Park Services Director, Chief of Human Resources, Human Resources Generalist, Volunteer Services Coordinators, legal counsel, and the Park District prosecutor. For 2024, there are no significant changes from the prior year. In addition, to better illustrate the operating expenditures of this Division, the chart above does not include the \$4,250,000 that is budgeted to be transferred to the Improvement Fund.

The training and professional development of our staff is a critical component of our recruitment/retention efforts as well as being important to ensuring a safe environment for our visitors and staff. Each department has specialized training and professional development geared specifically for its employees. The new software that we are utilizing for payroll and human resources has made it easier for managers and staff to offer mandatory safety training for specific positions as well as professional development programs and general training on issues such as sexual harassment and discrimination avoidance. The 2024 budget request includes robust funding within each department for training and professional development.

2024 MARKETING DIVISION EXPENDITURE REQUEST



	<u>2021 Budget</u>	<u>2022 Budget</u>	<u>2023 Budget</u>	<u>2024 Request</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Marketing Division	\$653,907	\$680,847	\$593,120	\$599,123	\$6,003	1.01%

The 2024 Marketing Division expenditure budget request is \$599,123, which is an increase of \$6,003 or 1.01% from 2023. The Marketing Division is made up of four full-time employees and supports all departments in the Park District while also increasing public awareness and appreciation.

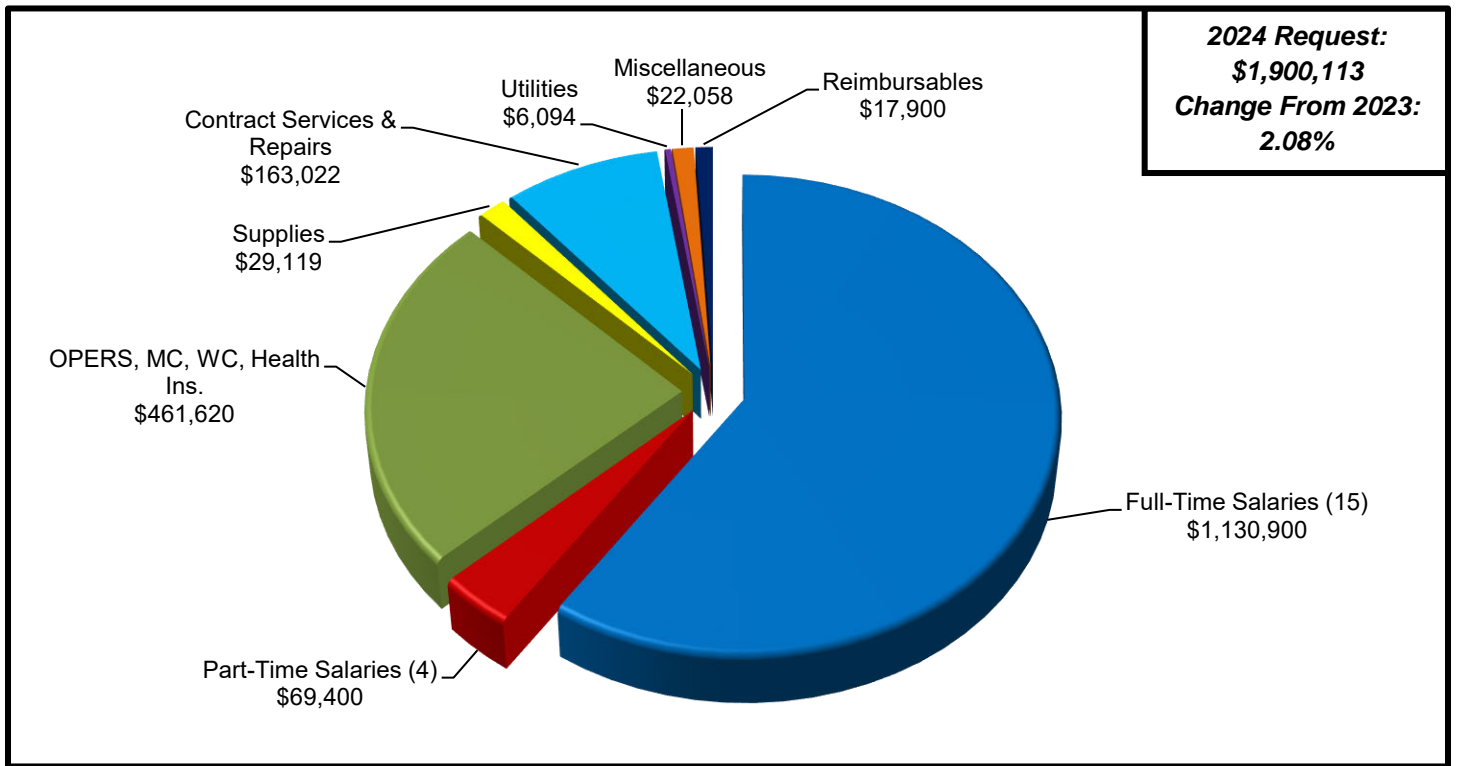
The marketing strategy continued to rely on digital content and communications highlighting places to visit and things to do in the Park District via social media, website updates, videos, and weekly e-newsletters. We continued to emphasize activities to do both in the parks and at home. Programmers continued to contribute digital content with an educational focus. Maintaining a connection with current customers/followers and expanding our contacts continued to be top priority.

The Marketing Division continues to track and evaluate the use of webcams throughout the Park District and worked with other departments to develop a three-year camera plan to address the growing interest in “virtual visitation.” Public webcams installed in strategic locations give “virtual visitors” the opportunity to visit the parks when they cannot physically travel and are accessible anytime, anywhere. To serve the aging population in Lake County, we continue to invest in technology to expand our webcam offerings for those who are unable to come to the parks in person.

Cross training among team members will be a focus for 2024. Each employee will train the department on specific programs/tasks associated with their position (i.e., Constant Contact, Sprout Social, social media management, etc.). Department-wide training will include Google analytics, search engine optimization, content strategy and email marketing.

The Marketing Division remains committed to providing support to all departments as well as ongoing crucial marketing and communications services.

2024 RANGER DIVISION EXPENDITURE REQUEST



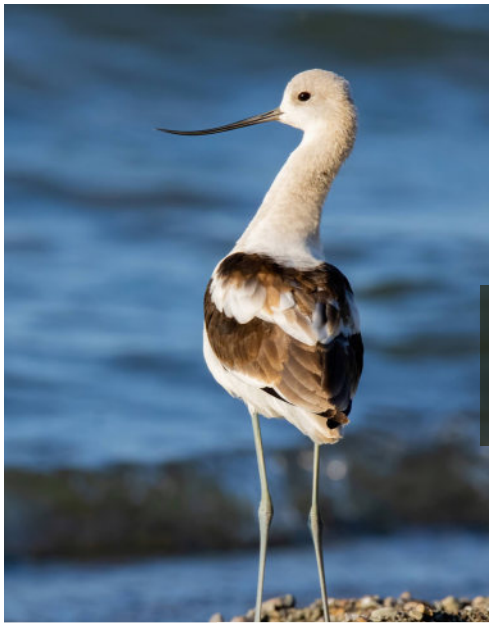
	<u>2021 Budget</u>	<u>2022 Budget</u>	<u>2023 Budget</u>	<u>2024 Request</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Ranger Division	\$1,656,310	\$1,803,800	\$1,861,368	\$1,900,113	\$38,745	2.08%

The 2024 Ranger Division expenditure request is \$1,900,113 which is an increase of \$38,745, a 2.08% increase from 2023. While our full-time staffing has remained unchanged, our part time personnel has been reduced by two positions compared to 2023. The 2024 increase is both full-time personnel and contract services related costs, while the part-time salaries request has been reduced by 17%.

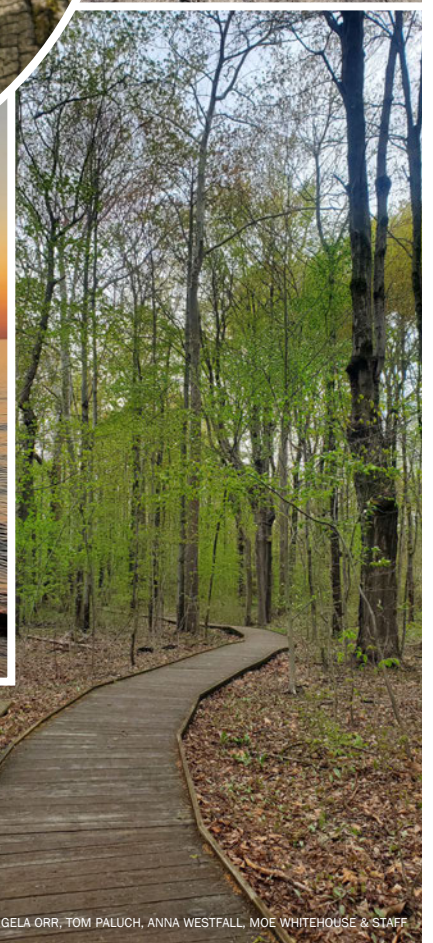
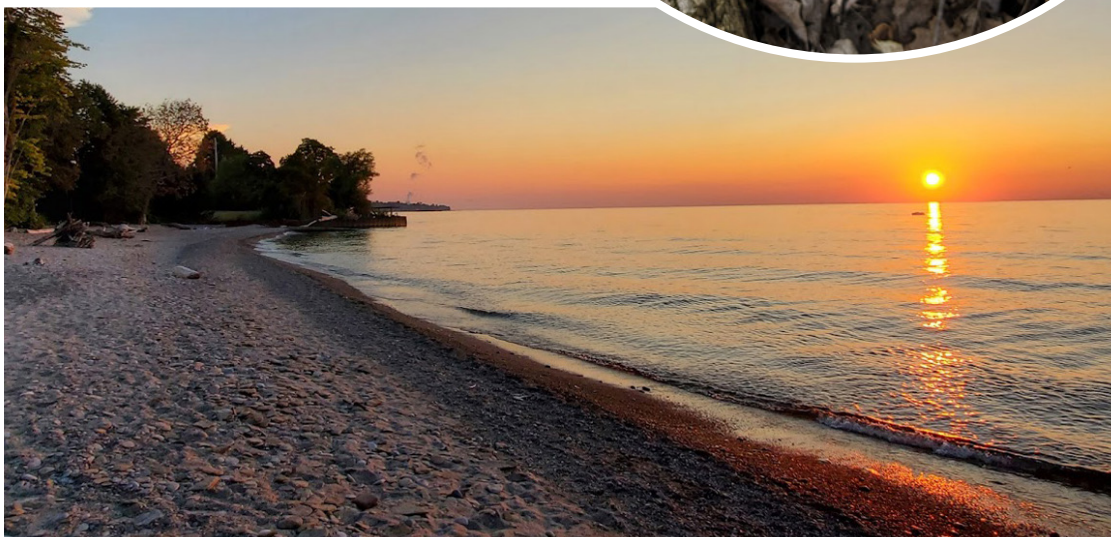
Community engagement is an especially important aspect of ranger operations. Our rangers regularly make initiative-taking visits to all park properties via Patrol SUV's and ATV's as well as foot and bicycle patrols. We recently created a four ranger "Bike Unit." We have invested in bike patrol uniforms and two new patrol bicycles which enhances our professionalism.

The Ranger Department has a network of thirteen live feed security cameras as well as fourteen trail cameras. These cameras have been strategically located within park properties as crime prevention tools. Both monitoring methods have been highly effective in solving crime as well as monitoring visitation trends. We are constantly focused on officer safety by upgrading the equipment our rangers carry on their person and the patrol vehicles they operate. Our new technology contract with the Lake County Sheriff's Department ensures our rangers will have immediate and reliable access to law enforcement databases while performing their duties.

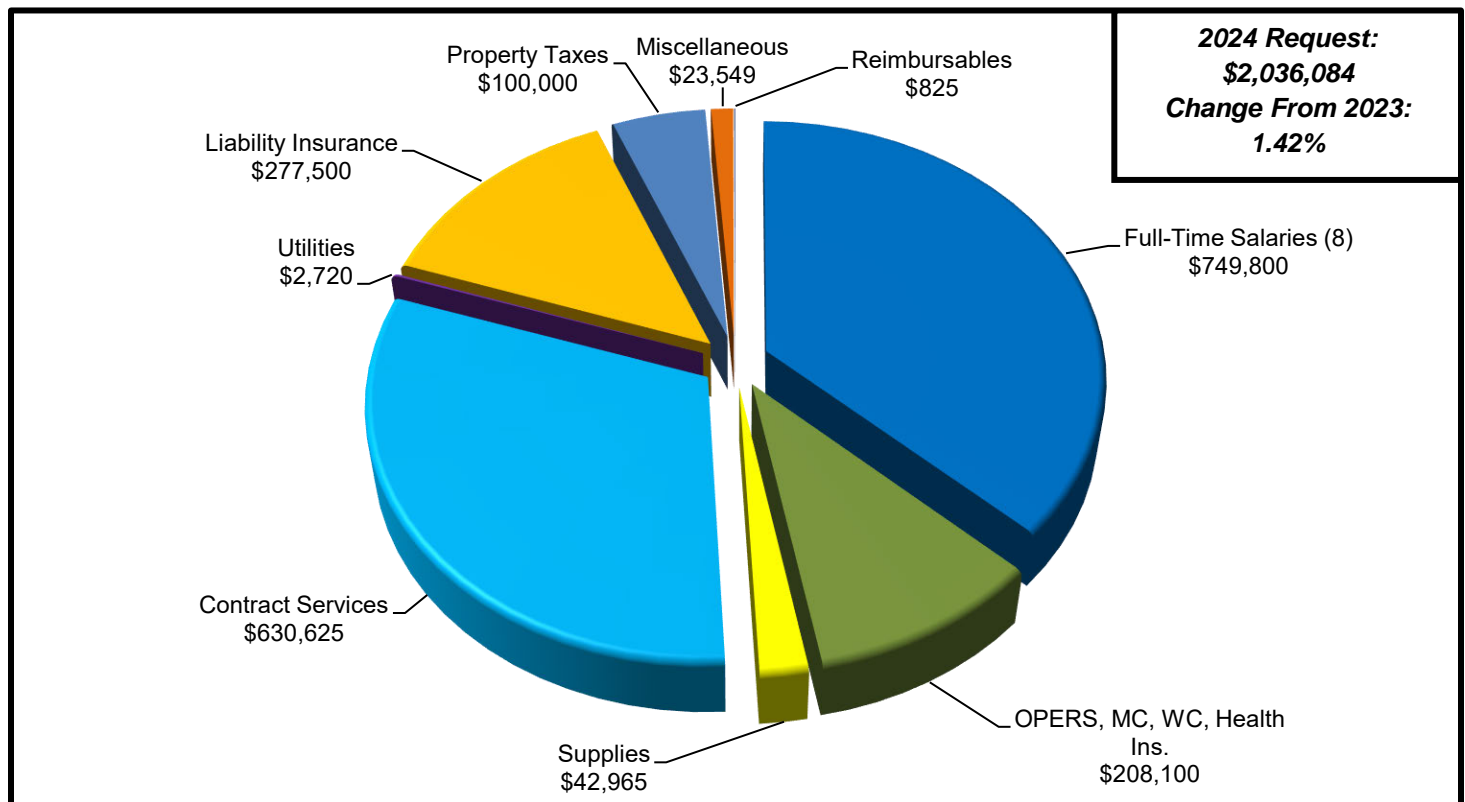
In 2023, Rangers were provided with over 1,000 hours of valuable training. Examples of training received are, Reading People in Relation to Officer Safety, Crisis Intervention, Critical Incident/Active Shooter Instructor, FBI sponsored Executive and Command Leadership Courses along with several other topics to enhance job knowledge and leadership skills. Each Ranger also received 24 hours of State Mandated Training covering multiple job-related topics. The Ranger Department will provide similar training in 2024.



Financial Services



2024 FINANCIAL SERVICES DIVISION EXPENDITURE REQUEST



Financial Services Division	<u>2021 Budget</u>	<u>2022 Budget</u>	<u>2023 Budget</u>	<u>2024 Request</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
	\$1,690,819	\$1,903,326	\$2,007,672	\$2,036,084	\$28,412	1.42%

The 2024 Financial Services Division expenditure request is \$2,036,084, which is an increase of \$28,412 or 1.42% from 2023. The Financial Services Division is comprised of 8 full-time employees and is responsible for all accounting activities, payroll processing, internal and external financial reporting, budget preparation, point-of-sale systems as well as the Purchasing Department.

Consistent with prior years, the significant expenditures for 2024 include liability insurance, Auditor and Treasurer's fees, property tax payments, safety expenditures, bank and credit card fees, and the annual financial audit. For 2024, the budget increase is related to the bank fees, auditor and treasurer fees, and increases related to performance-based salaries and related payroll taxes. These increases were offset by decreases in health insurance premiums, state rollback fees, and property taxes.

In 2024, the Finance Division will continue to provide specific training related to employees required to maintain certifications and licenses, tuition reimbursements and will utilize the new Paycor Learning Management Database. Goals for 2024 are the continued implementation of the Paycor software and the preparation of the 2023 ACFR and the receipt of the Auditor of State's Award with Distinction and GFOA Certificate.

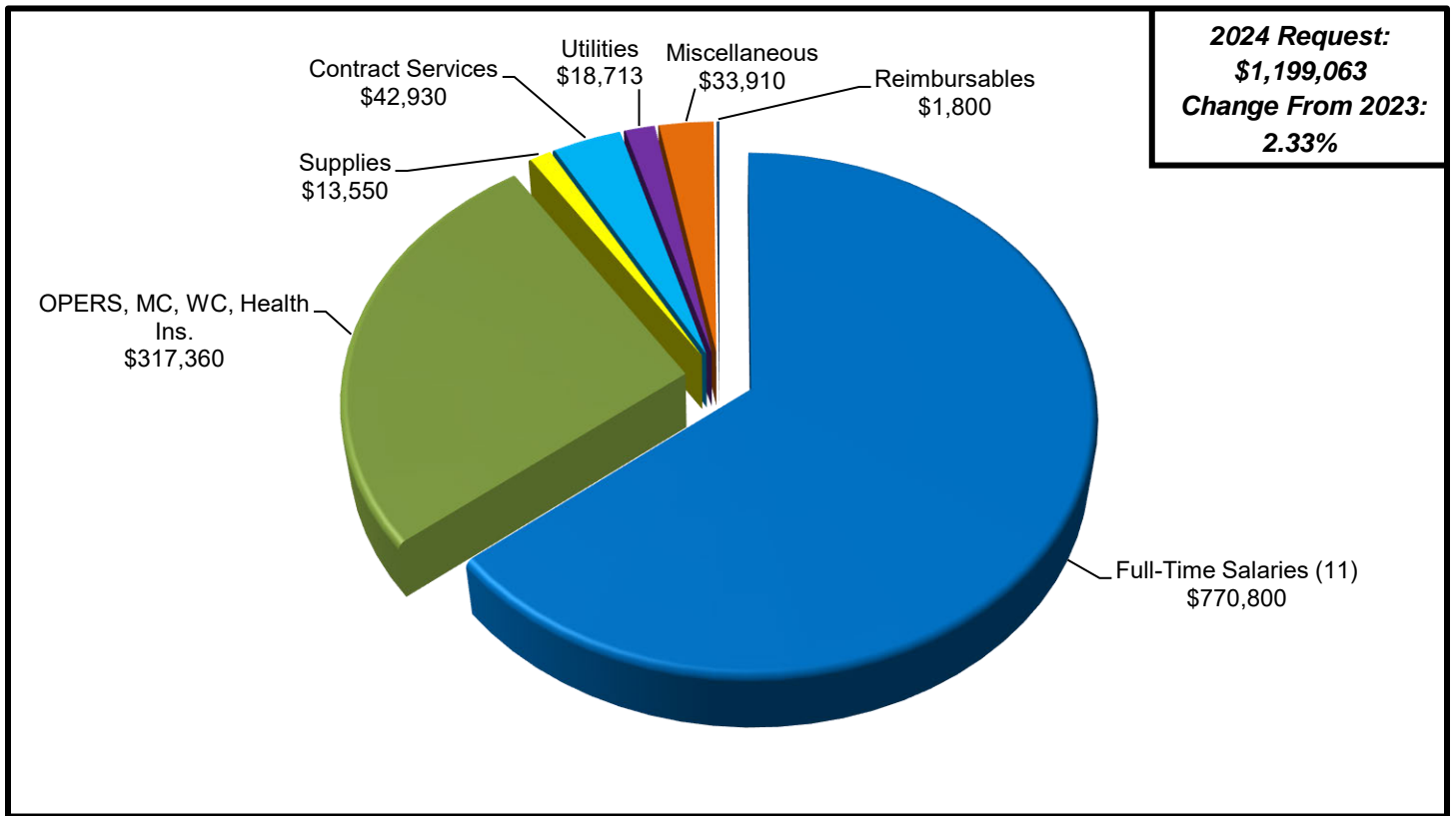


Park Planning

- Park Planning
- Golf



2024 PARK PLANNING DIVISION EXPENDITURE REQUEST



	<u>2021 Budget</u>	<u>2022 Budget</u>	<u>2023 Budget</u>	<u>2024 Request</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Park Planning Division	\$1,084,276	\$1,149,625	\$1,171,733	\$1,199,063	\$27,330	2.33%

The 2024 Park Planning Division expenditure budget request is \$1,199,063, which is an increase of \$27,330 or 2.33% from 2023. This increase is primarily the result of an increase in personnel expenses. This Division is made up of two departments: Planning/Design and Information Technology (IT), which are comprised of eleven full-time employees.

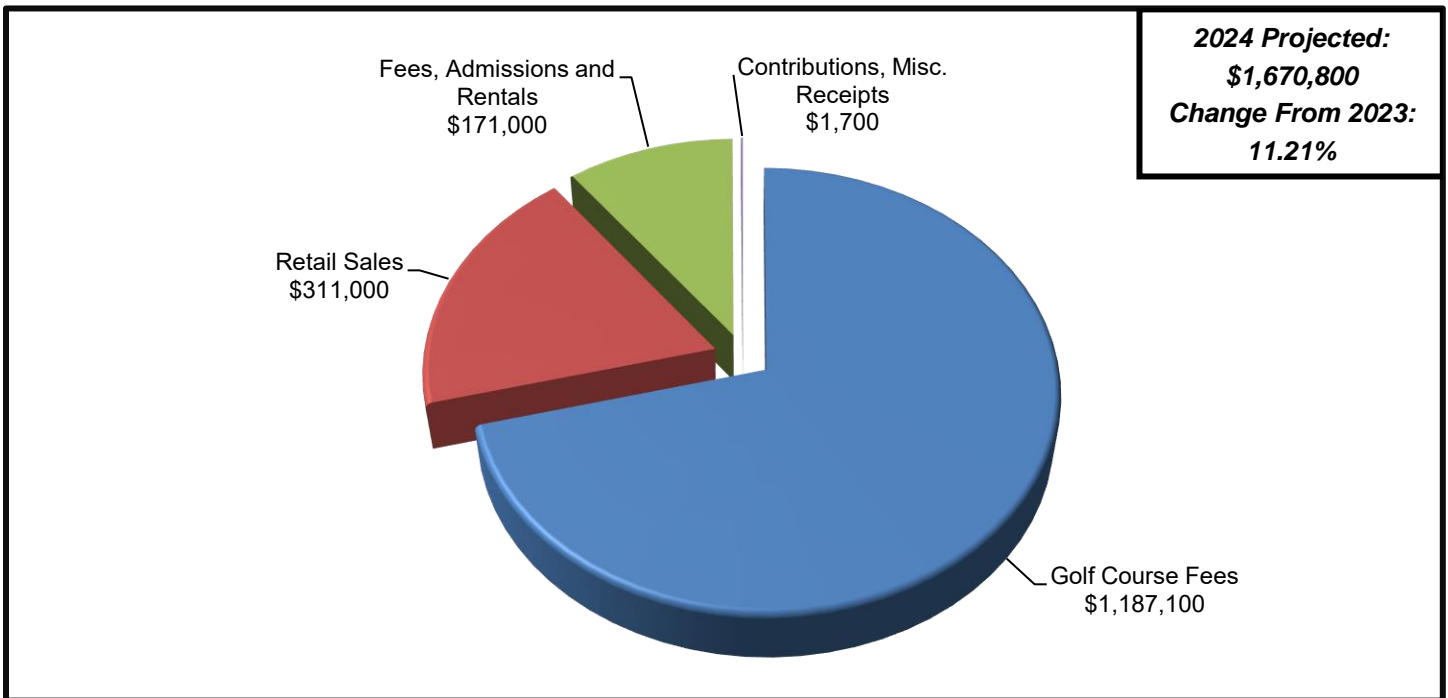
Major 2023 projects administered by Planning and Design staff included the construction of the Lakefront Trail Phase I and engineering of Phase II, construction of the new Painesville Twp. Park renovation, design of the new Cascade Falls park, master planning of Hemlock Ridge, various paving projects, and bunker renovations at Erie Shores.

In 2023, the Information Technology department replaced 5 hardware servers and all of the computer workstations at Penitentiary Glen and continued to upgrade our IT systems throughout the Park District. We installed a new webcam focused on the piglets at Farmpark and continue to improve reporting capabilities through our registration system. We continue to provide continuing IT education both for our department staff and all-park staff. A continued focus on cybersecurity awareness throughout 2023 is leading up to a change in training materials for increased interest and better awareness in late 2023 and early 2024.

The Park District will continue to create new and improved access opportunities across facilities in 2024. Major projects include construction and engineering of the Lakefront Trail Phase II, access to Hemlock Ridge, Lake Erie Bluffs west entrance improvements, and expanded parking at Pine Ridge.

Planning and IT staff continued to take advantage of professional development training through online, on-site and off-site classes and conferences.

2024 GOLF DIVISION REVENUE PROJECTION

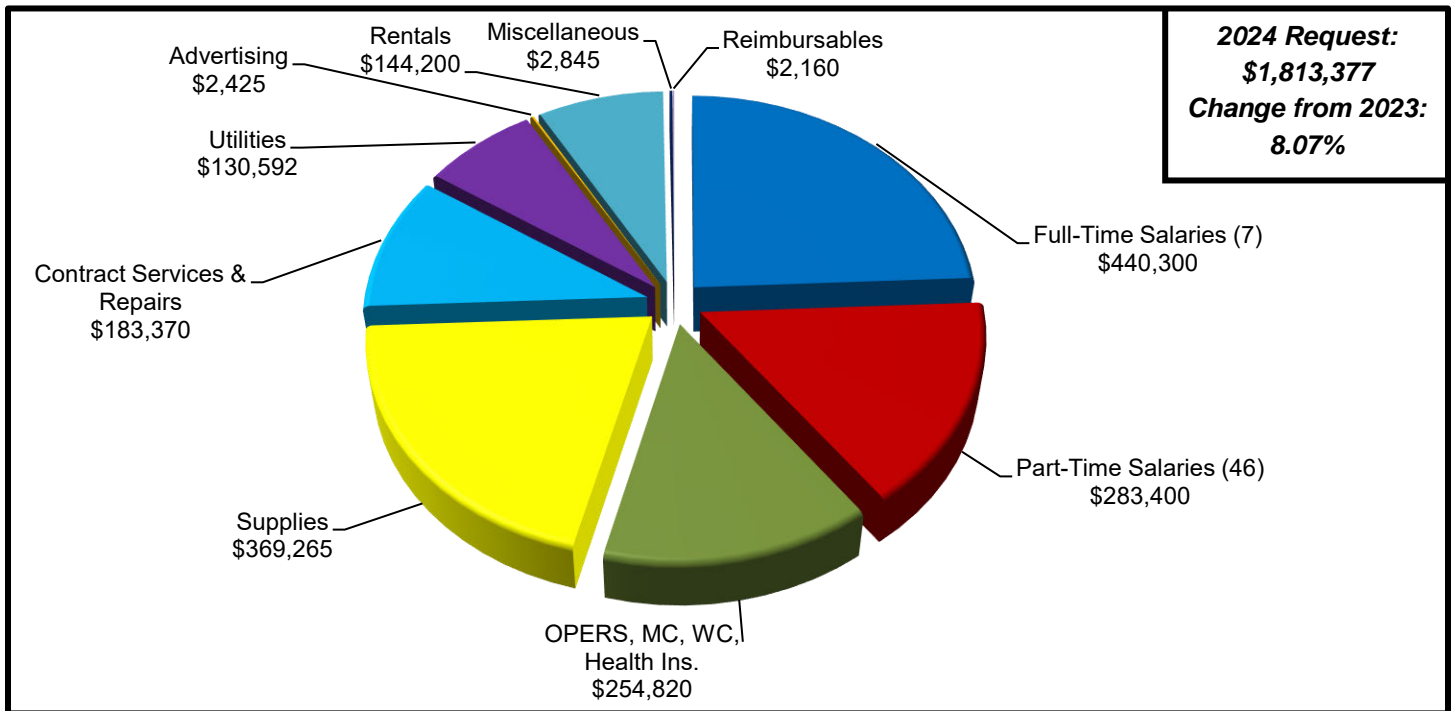


	<u>2021 Budget</u>	<u>2022 Budget</u>	<u>2023 Budget</u>	<u>2024 Projected</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Golf Division	\$1,170,175	\$1,311,750	\$1,502,400	\$1,670,800	\$168,400	11.21%

The 2024 Golf Division projected revenue is \$1,670,800, which is an increase of \$168,400 or 11.21% from 2023. Currently, golf revenues at both Erie Shores and Pine Ridge are projected to exceed those budgeted for 2023. This is largely due to rounds played being up significantly at both courses over last year, along with an increase in rates and pro shop/concessions sales. Overall, we expect the 2023 total Golf Division revenue to be about \$382,600, or 25%, above the \$1,502,400 budgeted.

Heading into 2024, we are assuming that golf operations, including greens fees, cart rentals, pro shop sales, memberships, and food/beverage, will generate similar or higher revenue than the 2021-2023 average earned revenues based on similar round counts and possible rate increases. Meanwhile, we anticipate our contract with Dino's Catering will generate a slightly higher lease amount.

2024 GOLF DIVISION EXPENDITURE REQUEST



	<u>2021 Budget</u>	<u>2022 Budget</u>	<u>2023 Budget</u>	<u>2024 Request</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Golf Division	\$1,566,688	\$1,648,110	\$1,678,006	\$1,813,377	\$135,371	8.07%

The 2024 Golf Division expenditure budget request is \$1,813,377, which is an increase of \$135,371 or 8.07% from 2023. The largest single item included in this amount is a \$51,700 increase in utilities for Dino's operation of the clubhouse at Pine Ridge which reflects a change in the method of accounting for these costs to the lessee. The bulk of the remaining increases are in personnel, supplies, bank fees and resale items in our pro/snack shops.

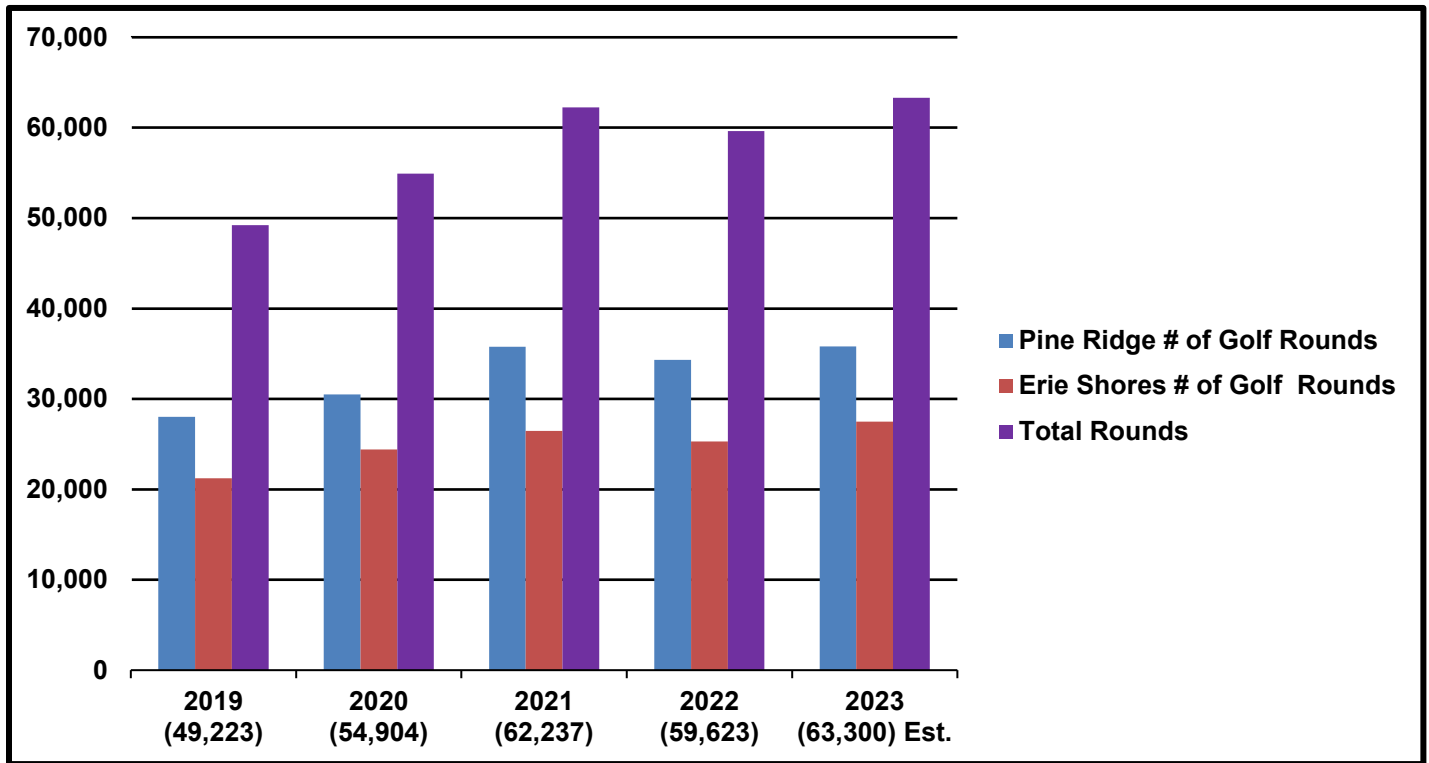
The Golf Division is comprised of 7 full-time and 46 part-time employees. For 2023, the Golf Division is projected to expend \$1,668,000 or 99% of the amount budgeted. This year has continued to be challenging in terms of containing costs due to continued inflation. However, a significant portion of budget line-item overspending is attributable to resale items and are reflected in increased revenues.

Major 2023 projects at Erie Shores included renovation of the bunkers on #6 and 17, replacement of the net on the west side of the driving range and landscaping improvements around tee boxes. The 2023 Pine Ridge improvements included new tees on #5 and 18, and landscaping improvements around the west parking lot. Both courses also continued to manage cart path resurfacing, tree removal, pruning and planting, and drainage projects.

In 2024, improvements at both courses will include drainage work, tee box additions/expansions, and ongoing tree work. We will continue to support the staff training at both courses including those offered by the PGA of America, the USGA, and the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America as well as in-house computer skills and supervisor training.

GOLF DIVISION

Round Counts 2019 - 2023



Golf rounds played at the Park Districts' two golf courses (see chart above) are cumulatively projected to increase by 3,677 rounds or 6.2% in 2023 when compared to 2022 actual rounds. Individually, Erie Shores is projected to see an increase of about 2,200 rounds or 8.8%. Pine Ridge will see a projected increase of roughly 1,500 rounds or 4.3%. According to the National Golf Foundation and Golf Datatech, LLC, rounds played in the Cleveland area through the end of August 2023 are up 7.6% year to date over 2022.

Compared to the five-year average (2018-22) of 54,392, rounds played in 2023 are up 16.4% and compared to the three-year average (2020-22) of 58,921, rounds played in 2023 are up 7.4%. The five-year and three-year averages, and projected 2023 rounds for Pine Ridge continue to trend upward at 31,049, 33,531, and 35,800, respectively. The rounds for the same periods at Erie Shores are 23,343, 25,390 and 27,500, showing a similar trend.

This year will mark the highest cumulative round count at our two courses since 2012. Rounds in 2023 at both courses benefitted from relatively good March/April and September weather while avoiding an exceedingly hot or wet summer. With similar weather in the shoulder months, it is reasonable to think we may match or surpass our 2023 round counts in 2024.

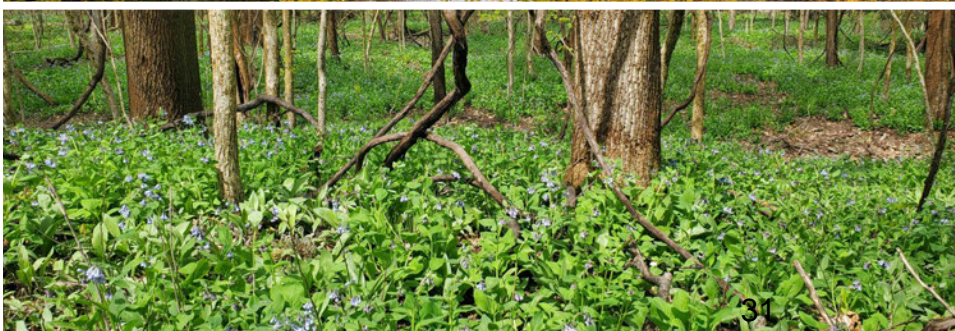
Based on comments received at both courses throughout the year, our staff continues to make a good impression with both their customer service and their maintenance of the golf courses and facilities.

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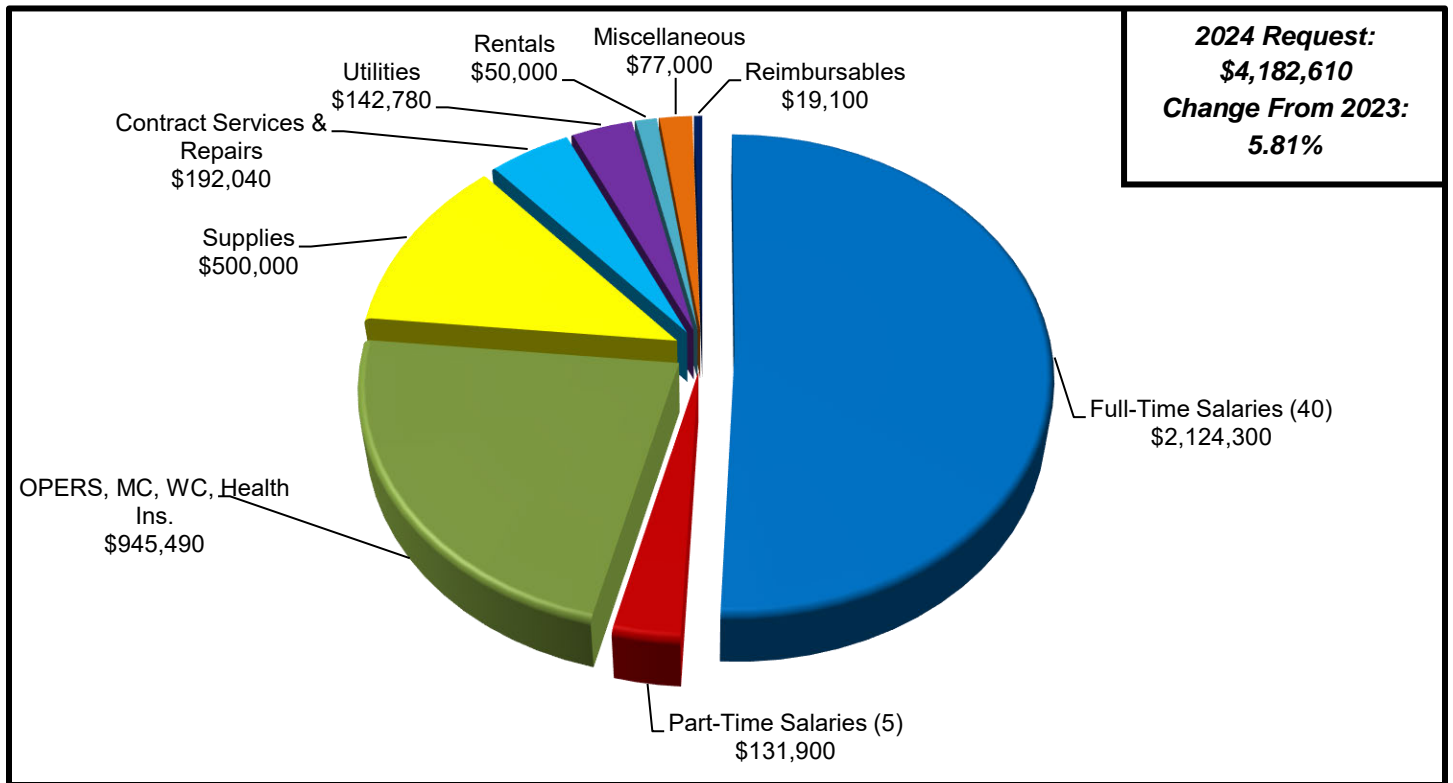


Park Operations

- Natural Resources



2024 NATURAL RESOURCES EXPENDITURE REQUEST



	<u>2021 Budget</u>	<u>2022 Budget</u>	<u>2023 Budget</u>	<u>2024 Request</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Natural Resources Division	\$3,563,149	\$3,836,122	\$3,952,800	\$4,182,610	\$229,810	5.81%

The 2024 Natural Resources Division expenditure budget request is \$4,182,610, which is an increase of \$229,810 or 5.81% from 2023. The requested increase is a result of increased personnel costs, health insurance, and the increased cost of providing park amenities and supplies including automotive parts. The Natural Resources Division has 40 full-time and 5 part-time employees.

For 2023, our Natural Resources staff once again worked to maintain the parks, structures, and trails to a high degree of cleanliness and safety. 2023 accomplishments included the completion of Cascade Falls Park and new steps were constructed at the Riverview Park sledding hill. Trail developments included a new loop trail at Indian Point Park on the north side of the Grand River, resurfacing the trails at Beaty Landing, constructing a new linkage to Penitentiary Glen at the corner of Booth and Eagle Roads as well as resurfacing the Red Fox Loop Trail. Several building improvement projects took place in 2023 which included painting park buildings like Pine Lodge and the exteriors of several restrooms. A new property was opened for the controlled hunting program for veterans with service-connected disabilities at Hemlock Ridge.

With this budget, we will continue our efforts in providing clean and safe parks. We will continue to maintain our buildings and grounds and strive to provide a positive experience for visitors using the parks and continue trail renovations and construct new improvements. With many new employees joining this Division in the last year, we will also take opportunities for continued staff training by utilizing the Ohio Bureau of Workers Compensation resources safety trainings, continue having staff attend the Ohio Woodland, Water and Wildlife Conference, and allow staff who hold professional credentials such as a wastewater treatment license, arborist certificate, or commercial pesticide applicator license to gain continuing education credits by attending appropriate workshops.

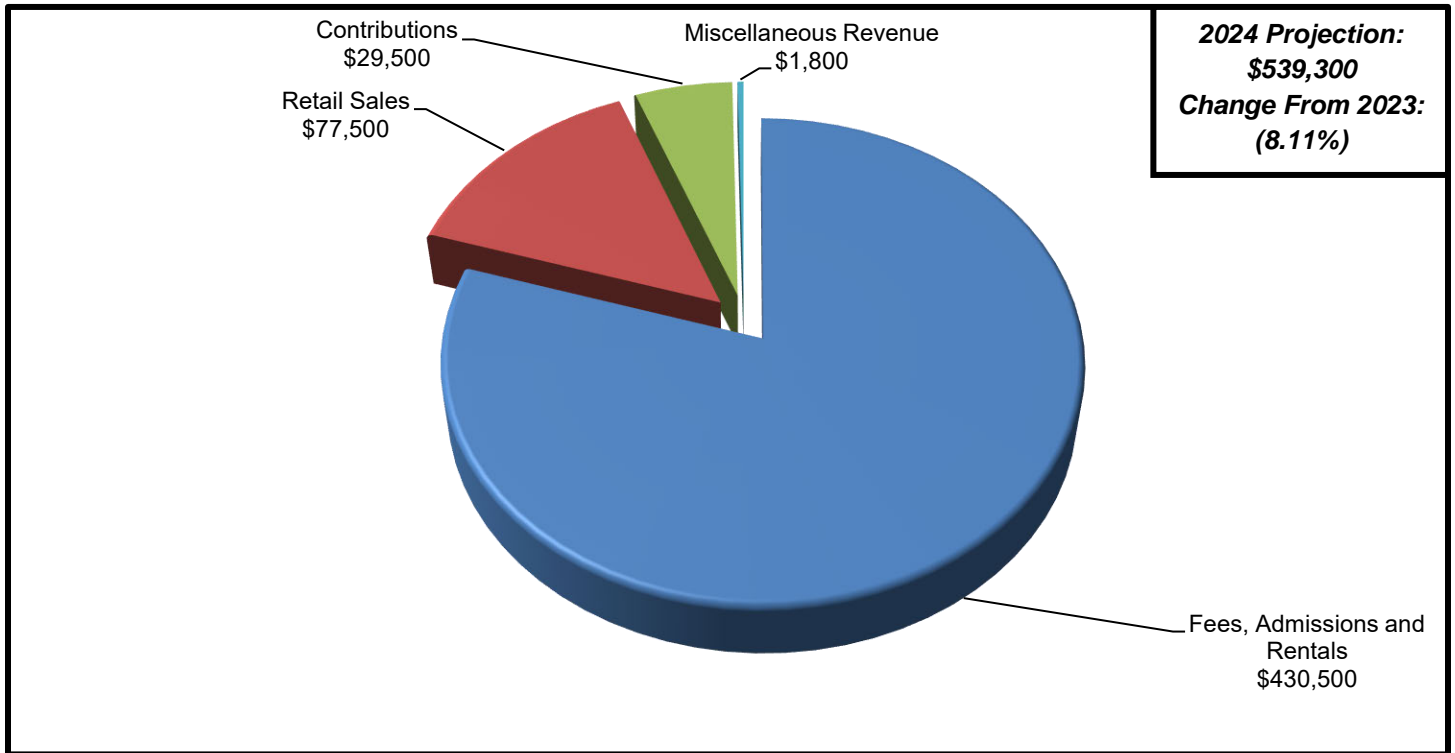


Park Services

- Outdoor Education
- Interpretive Services
- Farmpark
- Registration & Visitor Services



2024 OUTDOOR EDUCATION DIVISION REVENUE PROJECTION



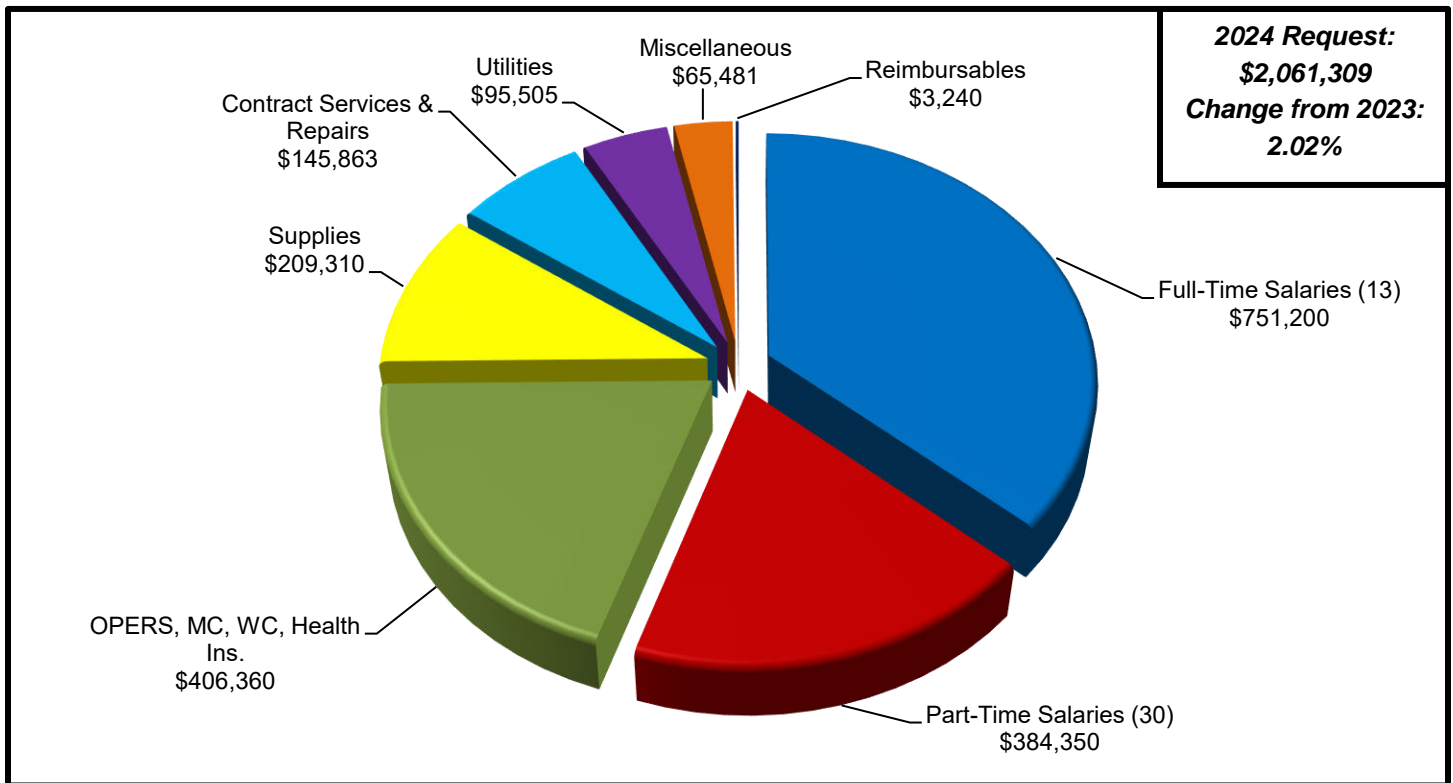
Outdoor Education Division	2021 Budget	2022 Budget	2023 Budget	2024 Projection	\$ Change	% Change
	\$546,300	\$615,075	\$586,900	\$539,300	(\$47,600)	(8.11%)

The 2024 Outdoor Education Division's projected revenue is \$539,300, which is a decrease of \$47,600 or 8.11% from 2023. This decrease is due to a reduction of a combination of summer camps and Parks Plus program offerings. Although there is a reduction in Outdoor Education's overall revenue, we anticipate that areas such as facility rentals, Fairport Harbor Lakefront Park parking fees, equipment rentals and concessions will increase when compared to the 2023 budget.

Most of the Fees, Admissions and Rentals revenue for this Division are derived from program fees and ticket sales, with the largest portion coming from Halloween Drive-thru event ticket sales, followed closely by a combination of paddle rentals and parking fees at Fairport Harbor Lakefront Park. Retail sales revenue is derived from concession sales at Fairport Harbor Lakefront Park and Painesville Twp. Park. Weather continues to be the largest factor in participation of programs, special events and seasonal operations such as winter cross-country ski and snowshoe rentals at Chapin Forest Pine Lodge and with daily operations at Fairport Harbor Lakefront Park. Unfortunately, due to mild temperatures the 2023, cross-country ski season never materialized so any projected revenue from that operation was never realized. We are hoping that conditions in 2024 will be conducive to having a ski season.

For 2024, the Outdoor Education Division plans to focus on providing continued programming opportunities and major events and races that are continually successful and which fit the Park District's mission. In 2024, our goal is to increase opportunities for facility rentals at Painesville Twp. Park, the Environmental Learning Center at Jordan Creek Park and Lakefront Lodge while also increasing opportunities for more requested programs facilitated by this Division.

2024 OUTDOOR EDUCATION DIVISION EXPENDITURE REQUEST



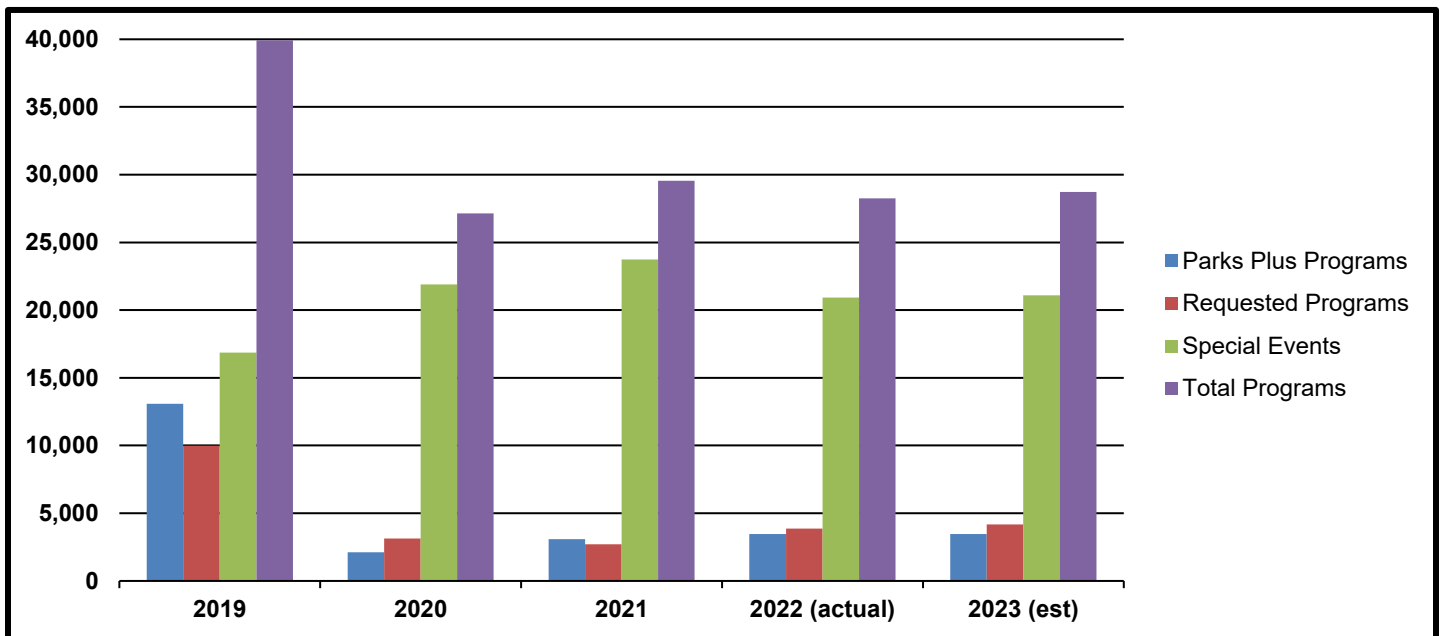
Outdoor Education Division	2021 Budget	2022 Budget	2023 Budget	2024 Request	\$ Change	% Change
	\$1,901,575	\$1,975,447	\$2,020,565	\$2,061,309	\$40,744	2.02%

The 2024 Outdoor Education Divisional budget request is \$2,061,309, which is an increase of \$40,744 or 2.02% from 2023. The Outdoor Education Division is comprised of 13 full-time and 30 current part-time and seasonal employees, increasing to 53 part-time and seasonal employees during the peak summer season. The Outdoor Education Division's budgeted increase is attributable primarily to budget lines pertaining to personnel.

2023 was a year of firsts for the Division, but it adapted to changes well. Much of what the Outdoor Education Division is able to provide is based on weather and, for the first time in its history, the cross-country ski season never materialized. Fortunately, many people still took advantage of Chapin Forest's popular lighted trails, which we provide each winter season between November and March. The summer season at Fairport Harbor Lakefront Park did well despite the difficult decision to not publicly guard the beach for the first time. Beach visitation still remained very high, and visitors took advantage of the many other services available including concessions, paddle rentals and camps. The Adventure Play Area at Jordan Creek Park continued to see high visitation as numerous outside organizations (camps, daycares, etc.) made visiting Adventure Play part of their summer experience. In 2024, we will continue to improve seasonal operations at all parks and facilities under its responsibility. With the improvements at Painesville Twp. Park Community Center and the phased addition of a regionally unique Lakefront Trail, we will look for ways to complement these improvements with its program offerings, as well as accommodate the expected increase in facility rentals and visitation. We will also continue to invest in our personnel with new and continued internal and external trainings and professional development opportunities including sending staff to Supervisor's Management School, Maintenance Management School and various other professional conferences and seminars in 2024.

OUTDOOR EDUCATION DIVISION

Program Participants 2019 – 2023



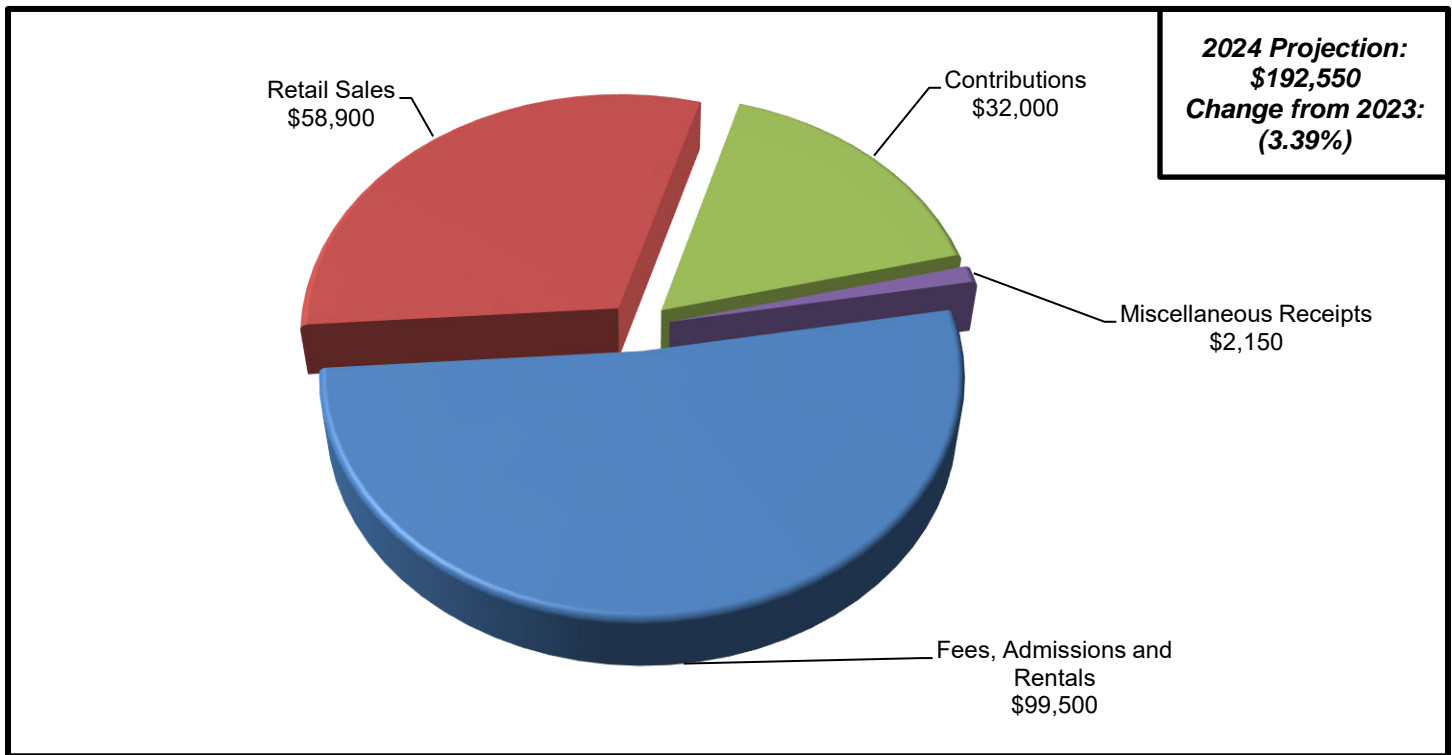
The participation in Outdoor Education Division programs is estimated to increase from 28,244 to 28,727 participants, or 1.7% from 2022 to 2023. This increase is due to continuing to book more requested programs. When comparing 2023 to 2022, requested program participation is up by 300 participants, or 7%. Parks Plus program attendance is flat from 2022 and remained around one third of historical levels. The Outdoor Education Division continues to focus on the programs that historically have the greatest number of participants, while focusing on serving children, senior citizens and adapted communities.

The Outdoor Education Division major special events were well attended in 2023. The Grand River Canoe & Kayak Race and Pirate Triathlon remain two of the Divisions' staple events and had great participation this year. The Divisions' major fall event, Halloween Drive-thru, continued this year and the Division also continued to support events like Breakfast with Santa and Country Lights Drive-thru by facilitating on-site toy kit distributions at both of these events.

The Outdoor Education Division goals for 2024 will continue to focus on increasing opportunities for requested programs and facility rentals, while maintaining clean and safe operations across all of the Division's parks and facilities. Specifically, we expect to see an increase in traffic related to facility rentals and passive visitation at Painesville Twp. Park with improvements to that property and the addition of the phased Lakefront Trail project extending west from that property. We will continue to serve youth, senior and adapted communities through our long-standing popular programs they have come to expect from the Park District over many years.

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2024 INTERPRETIVE SERVICES DIVISION REVENUE PROJECTION



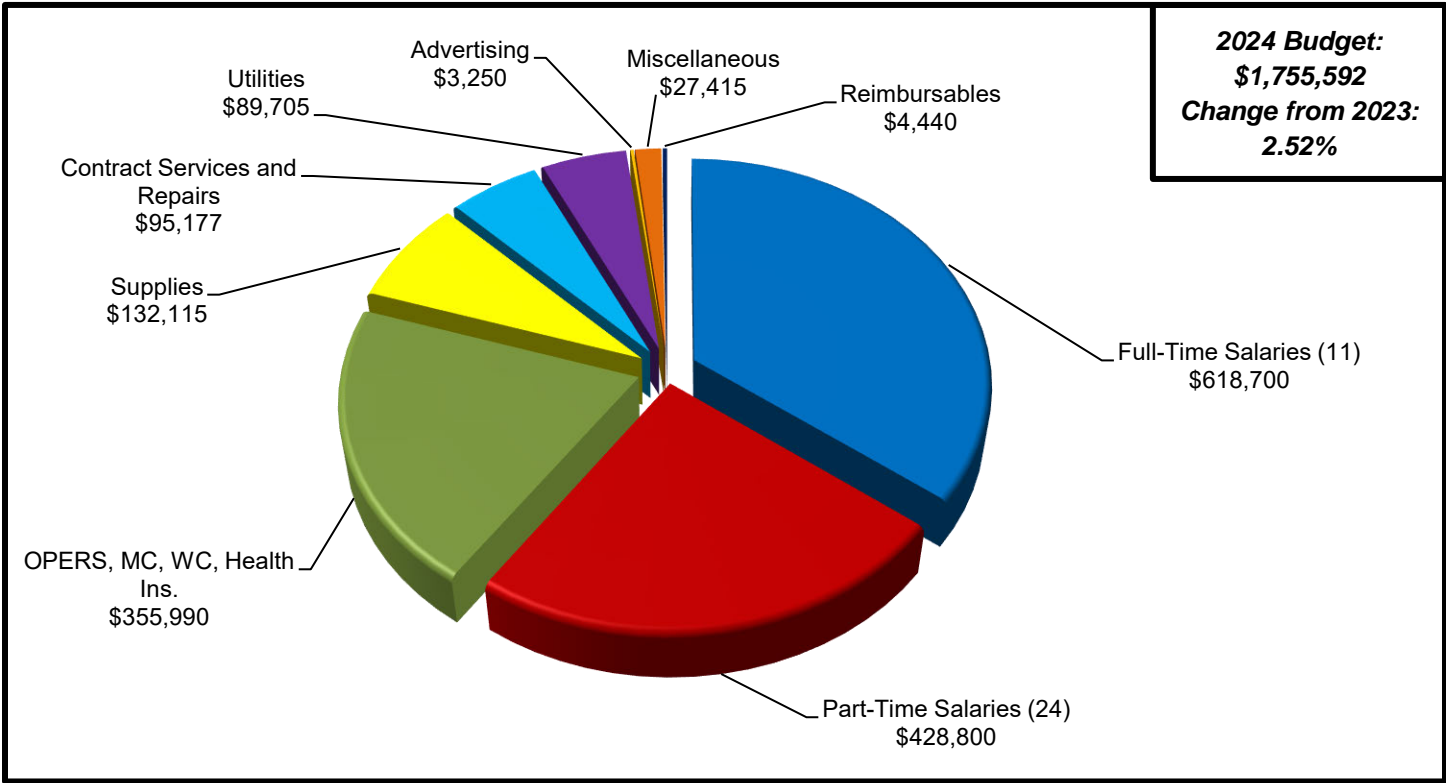
Interpretive Services Division	<u>2021 Budget</u>	<u>2022 Budget</u>	<u>2023 Budget</u>	<u>2024 Projection</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
	\$80,475	\$165,525	\$199,300	\$192,550	(\$6,750)	(3.39%)

The 2024 Interpretive Services revenue projection of \$192,550 represents a 3.39% decrease or \$6,750 below that of 2023. This Division anticipates a modest decrease in revenue next year which can be attributed to the 2023 reduction in camp sessions offered. However, a sharp increase in revenue for facility rentals is expected to help offset the difference. Interpretive Services is responsible for programming, summer camps, special events, daily operations and maintenance at Penitentiary Glen Nature Center, the Nature Play Area, the Kevin P. Clinton Wildlife Center and the Children's Schoolhouse Nature Park. Interpretive Services also operates one of the Park District's primary retail centers, the Nature Store at Penitentiary Glen.

This Division generates revenue from program and camp registration fees, facility rentals, sponsorship, art show sales, snowshoe rentals, donations, and retail sales. Most of this revenue projection, \$99,500, reflects revenue related to program fees and rentals. Penitentiary Glen saw a dramatic increase in facility rentals in 2023, with bookings representing a 188% increase from 2022. We expect to maintain similar rental bookings in 2024. Sponsorship dollars saw a sharp increase for major events as planned giving was up 63% over 2022. A portion of revenue is also generated by gifts, and thus far, 2023 has been a generous year for donations from charitable organizations, with one noteworthy gift totaling \$10,000. We anticipate the receipt of an additional \$10,000 which has been historically gifted in the latter portion of each year.

The Nature Store is anticipated to generate \$58,900 in revenue in 2024, a 9.2% increase over 2023.

2024 INTERPRETIVE SERVICES DIVISION EXPENDITURE REQUEST



Interpretive Services Division	2021 Budget	2022 Budget	2023 Budget	2024 Request	\$ Change	% Change
	\$1,638,759	\$1,704,992	\$1,712,390	\$1,755,592	\$43,202	2.52%

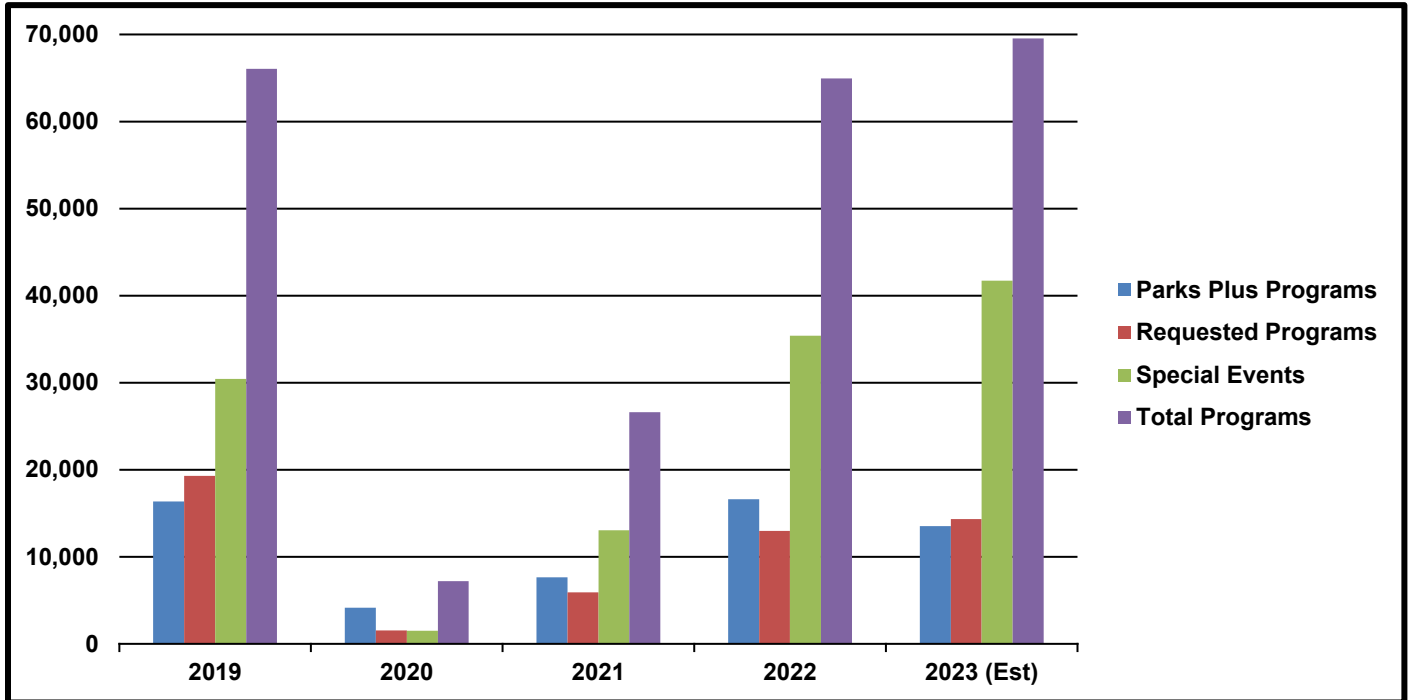
The 2024 Interpretive Services Division expenditure request is \$1,755,592, which is an increase of \$43,202 or 2.52% over 2023. The Interpretive Services Division is comprised of 11 full-time and 24 current part-time and seasonal employees, increasing to 40 part-time and seasonal employees during peak summer season. Much of the budgeted increase reflects expenses related to personnel and anticipated increases in supplies and services costs.

In 2023, we maintained a similar calendar of programs and events as 2022. These included Wildlife Festival, Earth Day, Bug Day, Magical HOO-loween events, among others. The popular Nature Play Area attendance reached 63,585, a 2.8% increase over 2022 visitation. Camps were 100% filled and wait lists were common. The Kevin P. Clinton Wildlife Center accepted over 800 animals for care and rehabilitation and staff fielded over 4,000 wildlife hotline calls. As a result of continued efforts, the center was awarded the 2023 *Wildlife Diversity Conservation Award* for “dedication to wildlife rehabilitation and education”. In late spring we were able to reopen the Wildlife Center Yard to public visitation after a prolonged closure due to risks associated with avian influenza.

Our requested expenditure budget for 2024 will enable us to continue to operate at the same high standard of customer service our visitors have come to expect while also taking into consideration the continued cost increase of services and supplies. In addition, planned professional development opportunities have been incorporated into the budget. We are committed to providing quality public programming with a focus on children and families, senior citizens, requested programs and camps. We also anticipate being able to run a calendar year of many of our popular events and programs along with maintaining similar number of facility rentals.

INTERPRETIVE SERVICES DIVISION

Program Participants 2019 – 2023



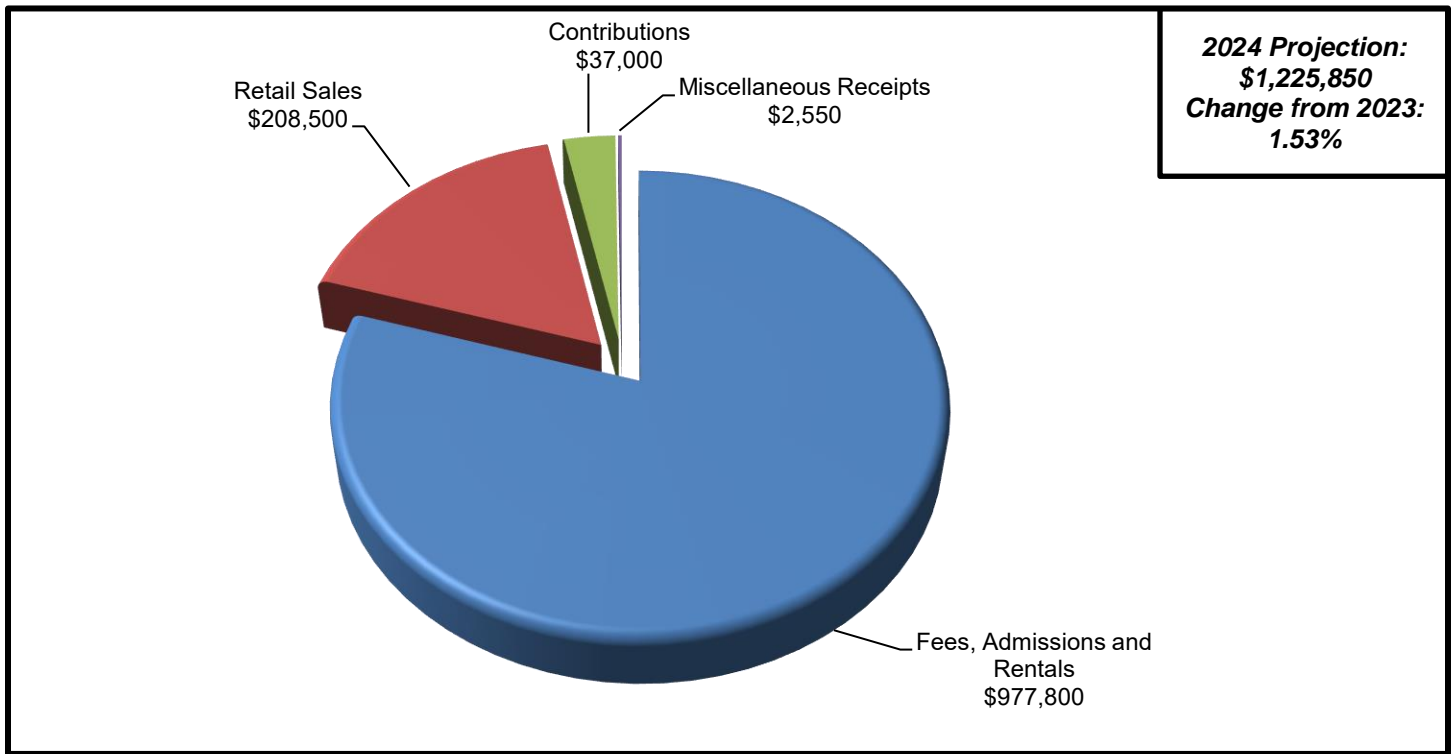
Parks Plus, requested programming and event participation by the Interpretive Services Division through 2023 is expected to reach 69,549 participants, an increase of 7.06% over 2022 (64,964). The focus continued to provide our most popular and mission-oriented programs.

In 2023, signature special events maintained their familiar historic numbers, including, Fun Days, Earth Day, Bug Day and Magical HOO-loween and six-week Candyland Winter event. Fun Day events experienced an 17.6% increase in 2023. Snakes, Turtles n' More returned after a one-year hiatus with a 38.8% increase in attendance (2,542 compared to 1,831 in 2021). The annual Wildlife Festival celebrated the 40th Anniversary of the Wildlife Center and Lakeshore Live Steamers, welcoming 3,515, an increase of 54% from 2,284 in 2022. Lake Metroparks 36th Annual Amateur Photography Contest/Show featured 193 entries from 87 participants compared to 163 entries from 63 participants in 2022. Concerts at the Glen maintained attendance with noticeably puppet shows welcoming record visitation at 478 guests (a 23.5% increase compared to 387 in 2022). Requested programs saw a slight increase in numbers with 328 participants in 2023 compared to 323 in 2022. The Children's Schoolhouse celebrated its 35th year presenting Trees for Wildlife reaching 2,253 students in 39 first grade classrooms while also presenting the 100,000th tree.

In 2024, the Interpretive Services Division anticipates continuing to offer our popular programs and events while maintaining facility rental and requested program numbers. One additional event planned for 2024 is the natural phenomenon Solar Eclipse event in April which is sure to draw public participation.

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2024 FARM PARK DIVISION REVENUE PROJECTION

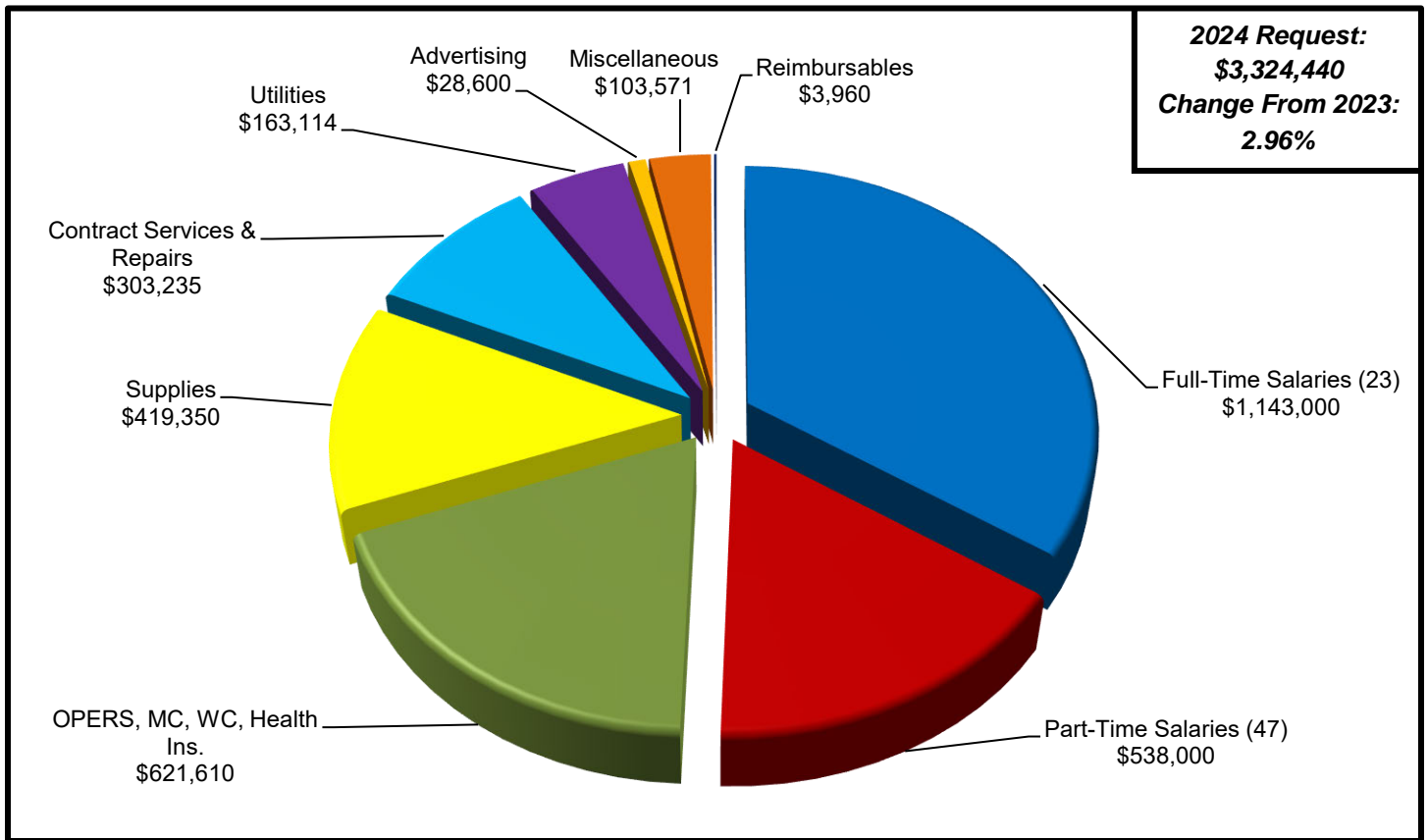


	<u>2021 Budget</u>	<u>2022 Budget</u>	<u>2023 Budget</u>	<u>2024 Projection</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Farmpark Division	\$726,100	\$1,155,550	\$1,207,400	\$1,225,850	\$18,450	1.53%

The 2024 Farmpark Division projected revenue is \$1,225,850, which is an increase of \$18,450 or 1.53% from the 2023 budget. This increase is attributable to the anticipated increase in fees collected for memberships, requested programs, facility rentals, and gift shop sales. In 2023, the Farmpark continued to see an increase in visitation and revenue with the return of The Village Peddler Festival, additional facility rentals, and increased Farmpark membership sales. Visitation to the Farmpark throughout 2023 increased briskly as the year progressed and visitation met and eventually surpassed pre-pandemic totals.

After its successful return from a three-year hiatus, The Village Peddler Festival has committed to returning to Farmpark in 2024. Additionally, the Historical Engine Society has chosen to continue to host its annual Antique Power Exhibition at Farmpark again in 2024. Facility rentals and requested program inquiries and bookings are already getting added in 2024. Additionally, the new Outdoor Riding Arena is already providing the Farmpark with additional opportunities to expand its use not only for Park District events, but also by outside groups and event organizers, with high interest for use in 2024. These events and opportunities represent an additional revenue stream for the Farmpark. We are optimistic that visitation and revenues will continue to trend up in 2024.

2024 FARMPARK DIVISION EXPENDITURE REQUEST



	<u>2021 Budget</u>	<u>2022 Budget</u>	<u>2023 Budget</u>	<u>2024 Request</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Farmpark Division	\$2,963,081	\$3,047,785	\$3,228,879	\$3,324,440	\$95,561	2.96%

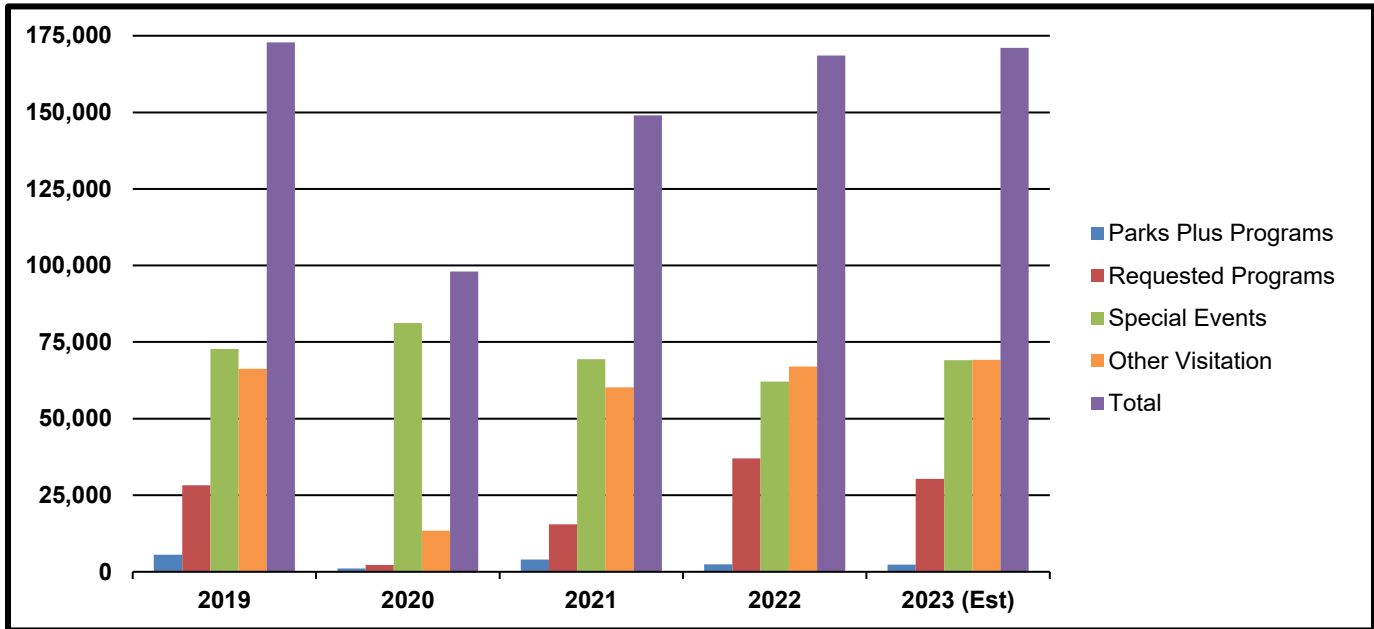
The 2024 Farmpark Division expenditure request is \$3,324,440, which is an increase of \$95,561 or 2.96% over 2023. The Farmpark Division is comprised of 23 full-time and 47 part-time and seasonal employees. The overall increase in this expenditure budget request is primarily attributable to increases among the budget lines pertaining to full-time and part-time salaries, benefits, supplies, and miscellaneous services.

The Farmpark continued to offer a historically robust calendar of special events in 2023, particularly with the return of The Village Peddler Festival and continuation of traditional events such as Vintage Ohio Wine Festival and our signature Fall Harvest Weekends. On the program side, we have continued to increase our requested program offerings (school, birthday parties, etc.) as well as our passive interpretive programming and we are well above pandemic levels once again. The Farmpark Gift Shop continues to adjust spending on items for retail to meet visitors demand, which we anticipate will be offset in revenue.

In 2024, we will continue to provide opportunities for the public and engaging them in our central mission of helping visitors understand where their food and fiber comes from. We plan to provide opportunities for our staff to continue professional development and training, including continuing education seminars on a variety of agricultural and educational topics. Our overall goal will continue to provide high quality public and requested programs, unique special events and rental opportunities to the public in 2024.

FARMPARK DIVISION

Visitation and Outreach Participants 2019 - 2023



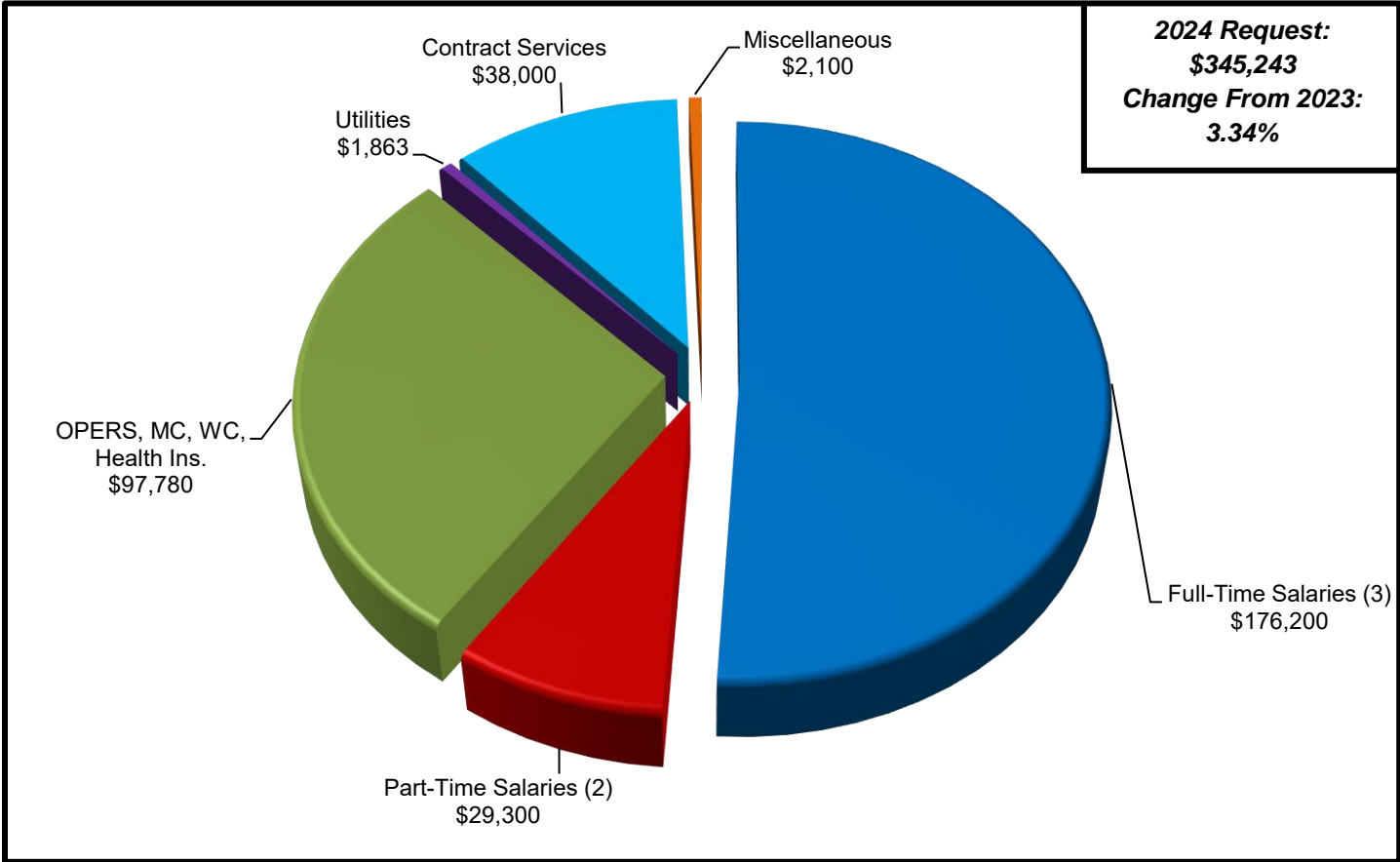
In 2023, we anticipate the Farmpark will experience an annual attendance of 171,061, up 1.46% from 2022. This increase is primarily due to an increase in facility rentals and return of The Village Peddler Festival after a three-year hiatus, which alone brought in an additional 11,000 visitors.

In 2023, requested programs, including school programs, birthday parties and facility rentals, contributed substantially to visitation with total attendances of 32,721. The special events category had the largest total increase in attendance with 69,087 visitors in 2023, up 11.31% from 2022. Other daily visitation (non-event days) increased in 2023 with attendance of 60,087, up 3.29% from 2022.

We anticipate visitation to Farmpark will continue to trend upward in 2024 as we expect an increase in facility rentals as well as program and special event attendance. Schools and other organizations have been returning steadily for field trips and should continue to do so. The new Outdoor Riding Arena is being utilized for additional programming and events by outside groups which have expressed interest and are requesting use/rental of that amenity for equine related events in 2024. Finally, we believe that the renovation of the main pavilion and patio near the parking lots should provide an increase in related facility rental opportunities on that site beginning next year and into the future.

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2024 REGISTRATION & VISITOR SERVICES EXPENDITURE REQUEST



Registration and Visitor Services Division	2021 Budget	2022 Budget	2023 Budget	2024 Request	\$ Change	% Change
	\$324,279	\$315,008	\$334,088	\$345,243	\$11,155	3.34%

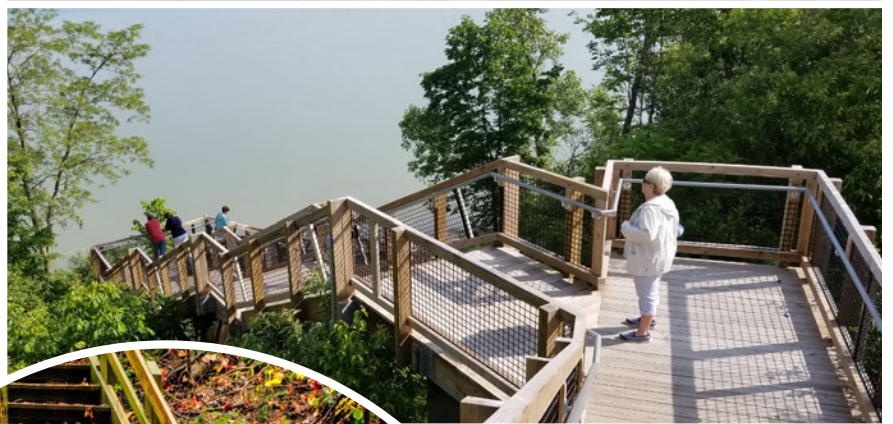
The 2024 Registration and Visitor Services Division expenditure request is \$345,243, which is an increase of \$11,155 or 3.34% from 2023. The Registration and Visitor Services Division is comprised of 3 full-time and 2 part-time employees. The increase is primarily due to part time personnel for transportation for summer camps.

The primary function of the Registration and Visitor Services Division is to provide registration for programs and events. This Division also coordinates the services of our part-time bus drivers and volunteer mail couriers. In 2023, this Division will have facilitated programs which will serve an estimated 90,298 participants through a combination of individual Parks Plus and requested programs as well as ticketed events. The Registration and Visitor Services department staff will continue to engage in registration software training which the staff utilizes daily and for special event ticket sales.

This Division also facilitates reservations for 22 shelters, 2 cabins, 3 group camping areas, 11 individual tent camping areas and Parsons Garden plots. This Division also processes facility rentals for three of the Park District's major public spaces including Lakefront Lodge, Painesville Twp. Park, and the Environmental Learning Center. Additionally, this Division schedules requested education programs for all park facilities, (except the Farmpark) bus drivers, and transportation of summer day campers in conjunction with scheduled camps. This Division also manages the Lake Parks Foundation scholarship request process which provides opportunities for school groups and camperships and coordinates the Gift That Grows program which accepts donations.



Capital Improvement



2024 Capital Improvement Fund

The 2024 projection for the Capital Improvement Fund revenues are \$5,913,316. This represents funds transferred into the Capital Improvement Fund from the General Fund of \$4,250,000 plus interest, grants, and the annual Painesville Twp. Park Board payment totaling \$1,663,316, the bulk of which are grants being used toward our Lakefront Trail project. This is an increase of \$1,292,016 or 27.96% from the 2023 budgeted revenues.

The 2024 Capital Improvement Fund expenditures budget request is \$5,969,000. This request represents an increase of \$1,357,000 or 29.42% from 2023. The majority of this projection is related to our Lakefront Trail project. For discussion purposes, the 2024 budget can be broken down into four general categories: new park improvements, land acquisition, repair/replace, and vehicles/equipment.

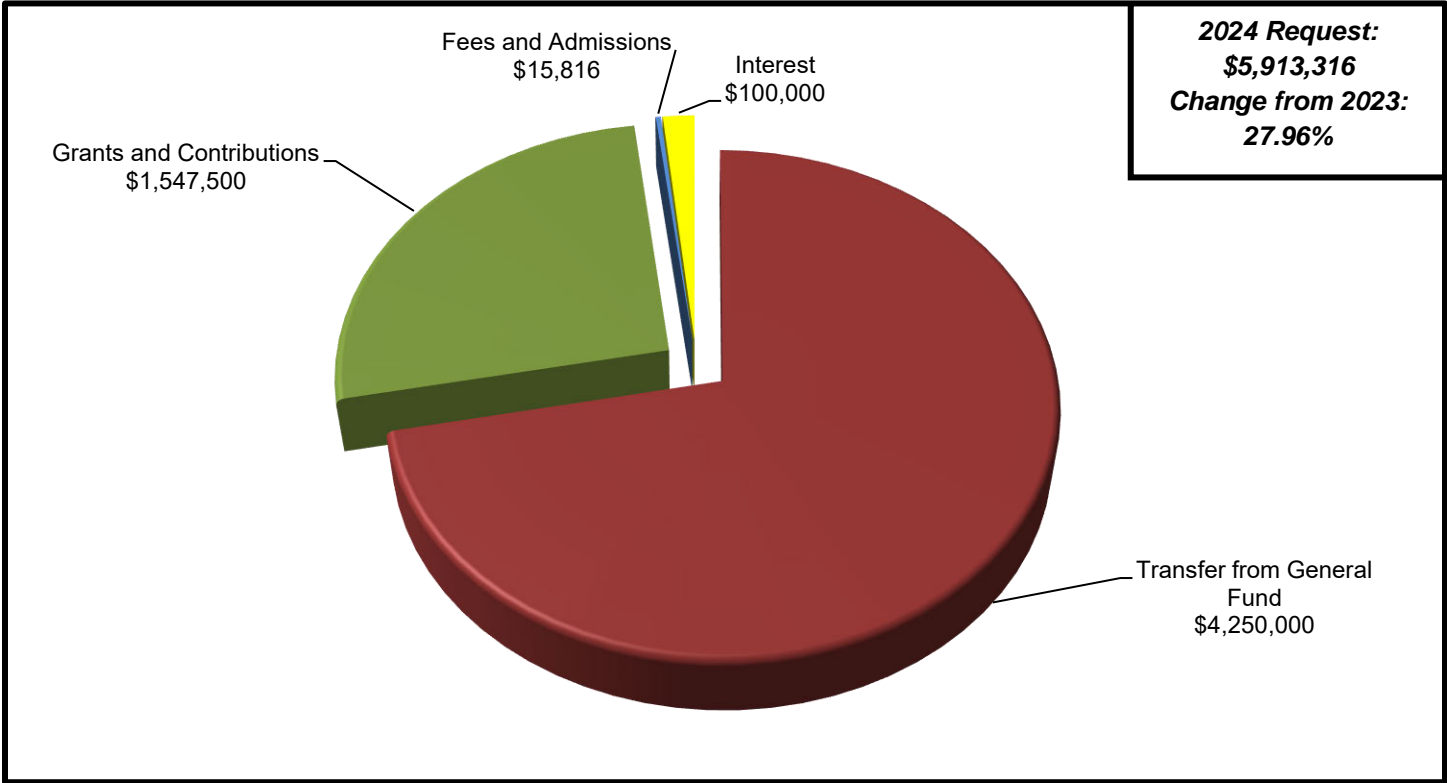
New Park Improvements: \$3,513,000 has been slated for new park improvements in 2024. Highlights include the Lakefront Trail project west of Painesville Twp. Park involving construction of the shoreline revetment for Phase II and engineering of the second and third phase trail projects, constructing access into the recently acquired Hemlock Ridge Park, and continued work on the western entrance into Lake Erie Bluffs. This is an increase from the \$2,493,000 requested in 2023.

Land Acquisition: \$100,000 is included in the 2024 Capital Improvement Fund request for land acquisition. Funds will be used to increase access opportunities within the traditional focus areas of the Park District which include major river and stream corridors and the Lake Erie shoreline. Grant funding will be sought to augment these funds. This mirrors the 2023 request.

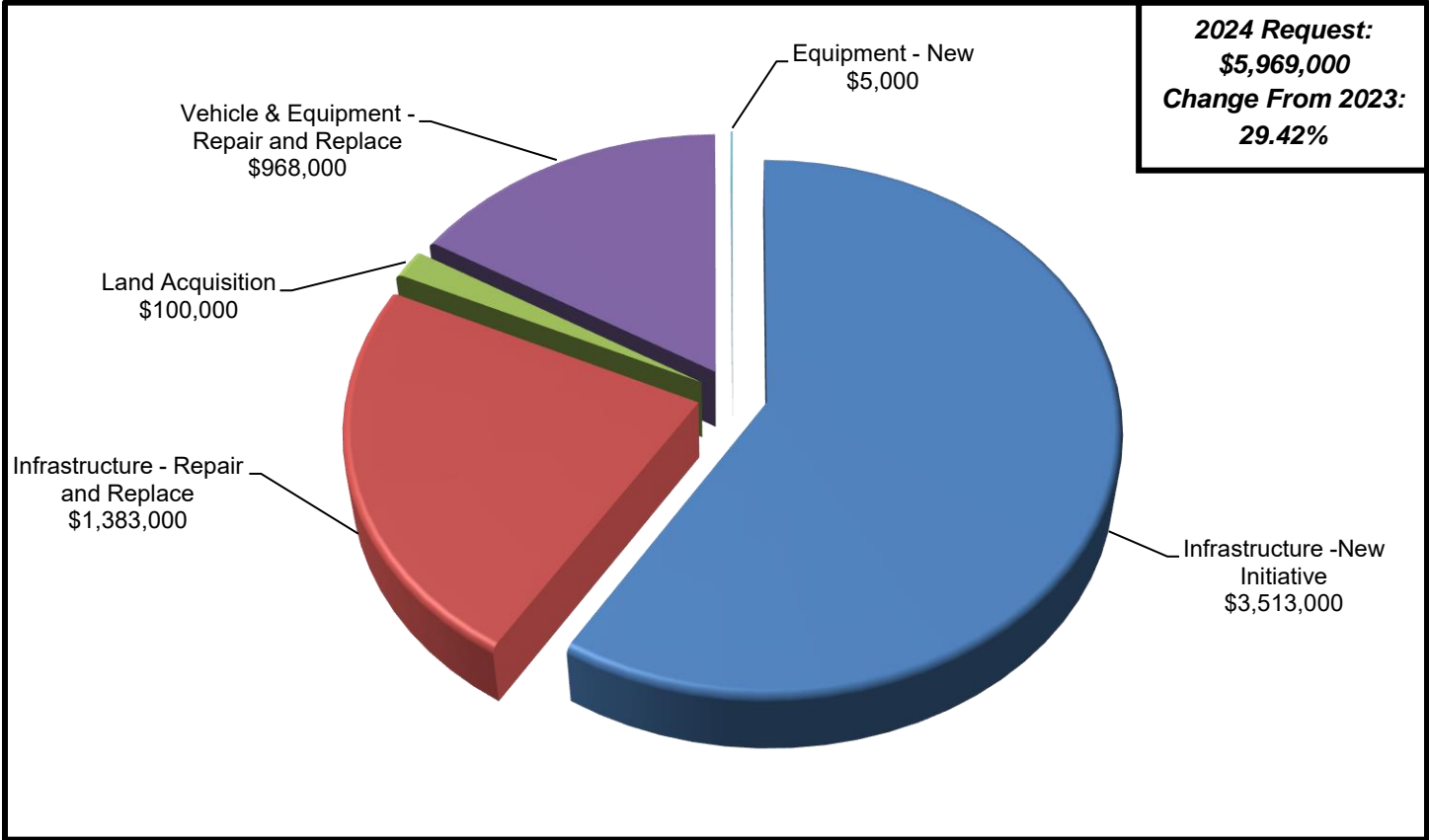
Repair and Replace: This category accounts for the repair and replacement of park amenities, infrastructure and facilities across the agency. Project examples include re-paving, roofing repairs, facility renovations, and HVAC replacement. The 2024 request is for \$1,383,000 compared to the 2023 request of \$1,335,000.

Vehicles and Equipment: The 2024 request for vehicles and equipment is \$973,000 compared to the 2023 request of \$684,000. This request includes the typical replacement of automobiles, utility vehicles, mowers, and landscaping equipment along with IT hardware.

2024 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND REVENUE PROJECTION



2024 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND PROJECTS EXPENDITURES



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Park	Project Title	Description	Estimated LMP Cost
2024			
CIP FUND 02			
LAND ACQUISITION			
PW-5000			
	Parkwide Land Acquisition	Land Acquisition	\$100,000.00
LAND ACQUISITION Subtotal:			\$100,000.00
INFRASTRUCTURE - REPAIR & REPLACE			
BE-5120			
	Beaty Landing Trails and Upper Lot	Demo Hillside Trail and Upper Lot*	\$0.00
CF-5580			
	Chapin Forest Boardwalk	Rebuild West Boardwalk*	\$0.00
	Chapin Forest Trail Lighting	Replace Existing Cords	\$20,000.00
CP-5570			
	Chagrin River Park Streambank	Reset Erosion Boulders at Bridge	\$15,000.00
CW-5180			
	Concord Woods HVAC	Replace HVAC Unit	\$20,000.00
EL-5500			
	Jordan Creek ELC HVAC	Replace Multiple Heat Pumps	\$35,000.00
	Jordan Creek ELC Roof	Replace ELC Shingle Roof	\$31,000.00
ES-5820			
	Erie Shores Clubhouse Gutters	Replace Clubhouse Gutters*	\$0.00
FH-5830			
	Fairport Hbr. Lkt. Concession/Restroom Painting	Re-Paint Concession and Restroom Interiors	\$12,000.00
	Fairport Hbr. Lkt. Park Boardwalk	Repair Boardwalk*	\$0.00
	Fairport Hbr. Lkt. Park Lift Station	Replace Lift Station Pump	\$8,000.00
FP-5600			
	Farmpark Entrance Drive	Repave Entrance Drive*	\$0.00
	Farmpark Storage Shed	Replace Bedding/Ice-Control Shed	\$15,000.00
	Farmpark Water Feature	Replace Water Feature Chemical Control System	\$7,000.00
GB-5610			
	Gully Brook Drainage	Address Drainage Issues*	\$0.00
GR-5130			
	Girdled Road Entrance Drive and Parking Lot	Repave South Entrance Drive and East Lot*	\$0.00
	Girdled Road South Restroom	Demo Old South Restroom*	\$0.00
GW-5210			
	Greenway Bridges	Repair Bridge Railings*	\$0.00
HL-5290			
	Hidden Lake South Parking Lot	Repave South Parking Lot*	\$0.00
HV-5240			

* - Funds drawn from parkwide Construction Material, Drinking Fountain, IT, Paving or Structure Repair Lines.

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Park	Project Title	Description	Estimated LMP Cost
LE-5900	Hidden Valley Sledding Hill	Repair Sledding Hill Steps	\$15,000.00
	Lake Erie Bluffs Tower	Replace Tower Decking	\$20,000.00
LS-5850	Lakeshore Drinking Fountain	Install Frost-Free Drinking Fountain - West RR*	\$0.00
PF-5300	Paine Falls Overlook	Refurbish Overlook*	\$0.00
PR-5640	Pine Ridge Maintenance Garage Roof	Re-coat Maintenance Garage Roof	\$30,000.00
PW-5000	Parkwide Aggregate	Aggregate for Trails and Parking Lot Construction	\$210,000.00
	Parkwide Bridge Maintenance	Maintain Bridges	\$20,000.00
	Parkwide Construction Material	Construction Material for Improvement	\$125,000.00
	Parkwide Drinking Fountains	Replace Two Drinking Fountains	\$15,000.00
	Parkwide Natural Resource Management	Natural Resource Management	\$50,000.00
	Parkwide Paving	Repave throughout Parks	\$400,000.00
	Parkwide Professional Services	Appraisals, Surveying, Title Work, Engineering	\$125,000.00
	Parkwide Structure Repairs	Structure Repairs	\$60,000.00
	Parkwide Unforeseen Repairs/Projects	Unforeseen Repairs/Projects	\$150,000.00
INFRASTRUCTURE - REPAIR & REPLACE Subtotal:			\$1,383,000.00
INFRASTRUCTURE - NEW INITIATIVE			
CP-5570	Chagrin River Park Trails	Build Trail to Connect New Parking To Trails*	\$0.00
CW-5180	Concord Woods Annex Safety Improvements	Add Annex Shop Safety Improvements	\$9,000.00
FP-5600	Farmpark Arena Sound System	Purchase Sound System for Outdoor Arena	\$7,000.00
HM-5940	Hemlock Ridge Park - Site Development	Drive, Parking, Bridge, Trails	\$500,000.00
LE-5900	Lake Erie Bluffs West Entrance Boardwalk	Construct Boardwalk Trail at West Entrance	\$150,000.00
LF-5920	Lakefront Trail Phase II	Construct New Shoreline Revetment	\$2,500,000.00
	Lakefront Trail Phase III	Engineer Phase III Improvements	\$250,000.00
PG-5630	Penitentiary Glen Aggregate Storage	Add Storage Area for Topsoil & Screenings*	\$0.00
	Penitentiary Glen Maintenance Yard	Expand Maintenance Yard and Repair Fencing	\$15,000.00
PR-5640	Pine Ridge Parking	Expand Westside Parking Lot	\$50,000.00
	Pine Ridge Storage Building	Construct New Equipment Storage Building	\$25,000.00
PW-5000	Parkwide Interpretive Signage	Create and Install New Interpretive Signage	\$7,000.00

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Park	Project Title	Description	Estimated LMP Cost
INFRASTRUCTURE - NEW INITIATIVE Subtotal:			\$3,513,000.00
EQUIPMENT - REPAIR & REPLACE			
CW-5180			
	Concord Woods Annex Air Compressor	Replace Annex Air Compressor	\$12,000.00
	Concord Woods CAT D3	Repair CAT D3	\$5,000.00
	Concord Woods Dump Truck w/ Plow	Replace Large Dump w/ Smaller Truck (ID#13-02)	\$120,000.00
	Concord Woods IT Copier	Replace Admin Copier	\$8,000.00
	Concord Woods IT Workstations	Replace 9 Workstations	\$7,000.00
	Concord Woods Kubota Utility Vehicle	Replace Kubota Utility Vehicle & Plow (ID#7139)	\$25,000.00
	Concord Woods Mowers	Replace Two Mowers (ID#6229/7681)	\$26,000.00
	Rangers IT	Replace Radios, Cameras, Tasers, MDT, Alarms	\$60,000.00
	Rangers IT Copier	Replace Rangers Copier	\$8,000.00
EL-5500			
	Jordan Creek IT Laptops	Replace Two Laptops*	\$0.00
ES-5820			
	Erie Shores Fairway Mower	Replace Fairway Mower (ID#6723)	\$87,000.00
FH-5830			
	Fairport Hbr. Lkt. Park Groomer	Replace Beach Groomer	\$58,000.00
FP-5600			
	Farmpark IT Workstations	Replace 24 Workstations	\$18,000.00
	Farmpark RTV Utility Vehicle	Replace RTV Utility Vehicle (ID#6846)	\$24,000.00
	FP John Deere Tractor	Replace JD People Mover Tractor (ID#9053)	\$50,000.00
LL-5840			
	Lakefront Lodge IT Server	Replace Server	\$7,000.00
PG-5630			
	Penitentiary Glen IT Server	Replace Server	\$7,000.00
PR-5640			
	Pine Ridge Fairway Mower	Replace Fairway Mower (ID#6403)	\$87,000.00
PT-5870			
	Painesville Twp Park Trailer	Replace Enclosed Trailer	\$15,000.00
PW-5000			
	Parkwide IT	Maintain, Replace, & Upgrade IT System	\$20,000.00
	Parkwide IT Firewall Replacement	Replace and Upgrade Firewall	\$14,000.00
	Parkwide IT POS Computers	Replace 5 POS Computers*	\$0.00
	Parkwide IT Unforeseen Repairs/Projects	Unforeseen Repairs/Projects	\$10,000.00
	Parkwide Vehicles	Vehicle Replacement	\$300,000.00
EQUIPMENT - REPAIR & REPLACE Subtotal:			\$968,000.00
EQUIPMENT - NEW INITIATIVE			
PR-5640			
	Pine Ridge Ventrac Attachments	Add Ventrac Attachments	\$5,000.00
EQUIPMENT - NEW INITIATIVE Subtotal:			\$5,000.00

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Park	Project Title	Description	Estimated LMP Cost	
			2024 Subtotal:	\$5,969,000.00
			Grand Total	\$5,969,000.00

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