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Greetings

Historically, “City Rec” has meant different things to different people — from the City Lantern Parade marching down Penn Street, to basketball leagues that included players from across the city, to the playground programs that only closed when the streetlights came on—“City Rec” has been synonymous with FUN since the 1920’s.

In 2012, the Reading Recreation Commission (RRC) became the public-designated service agency for recreation in the City of Reading and reenergized “City Rec”. Created as a partnership between the City of Reading and the Reading School District, the RRC provides quality programs and facilities to the residents of Reading with an emphasis on youth programs.

The RRC has grown remarkably over the past five years, expanding programming and increasing the number of playground locations from zero to eight. Our award-winning programs— Girls Leadership, Chef Sprout, COR Tennis and summer collaborations with the Reading Public Museum—continue to expand and thrive. Our food service program serves over 38,000 home-style meals and 17,000 snacks annually to at-risk youth. We have been the recipient of numerous awards and grants—a testament to the recognition in the community and beyond of the great work that we accomplish on a daily basis.

We hope that as you read through this annual report, and look at the photos from programs and events throughout the year, you will get a sense of what we do, what we’re about, and why we matter. Positive recreation experiences help to build stronger communities and improve people’s lives.

Of course, we cannot be successful without the dedication of our board and staff and MANY, MANY supporters. Thank you so much to everyone who helped us along the way.



Daphne E. Klahr, CPRP, CPSI
Executive Director





About Us

The Reading Recreation Commission is a community partnership between the City of Reading and the Reading School District, funded in part by tax dollars, that provides quality programs and facilities to the residents of Reading, PA. The partnership between the two entities allows us to provide better recreation services in a more cost-effective way. We provide neighborhood-based recreation and learning opportunities for all ages—with an emphasis on affordable programs for children—at schools, parks, playgrounds, and at our two recreation centers.

Our award-winning programs include leadership development, youth and adult instructional sports programs and leagues, fitness classes, summer playgrounds, club activities, cultural arts programs, afterschool programs, and community special events.

Our recreation services bring people together and make our community stronger. Our staff serve as mentors to youth, providing them with opportunities to learn, feel cared for, and engage in sports and activities. Positive recreation experiences help to build stronger communities and improve people's lives.

Our Mission: To provide quality recreation programs and facilities for the residents of Reading with a primary focus on youth programs.

Awards & Honors



2016

Park and Rec Agency of the Year
COR Tennis and Reading Recreation Commission
 Presented by Tennis Industry Magazine

Excellence in Recreation and Parks Award
COR Tennis
 Presented by PRPS

USTA Middle States Premier Provider—CTA
COR Tennis
 Presented by United States Tennis Association (USTA)

Berks County Tennis Hall of Fame Inductee
Russ Moore
 Presented by Berks County Sports Hall of Fame

Berks County Swimming Coach of the Year
Matthew A. Lubas
 Presented by Reading Eagle



Facilities

Field Houses

Throughout the year, residents are able to rent our beautiful field houses for parties, reunions, and meetings. The field houses vary in capacity from 40—80 people, and offer many convenient amenities including kitchenettes, tables and chairs.

Field House Locations

Keffer Park
Pendora Park
Schlegel Park

Pavilions

The RRC rents out large and small pavilions throughout the City of Reading which provide a convenient place to hold picnics and reunions within our beautiful City parks.

Pavilion Locations

Baer Park
Egelman's Park
Pendora Park
Schlegel Park
Schlegel Park Pool
2nd & Oley
3rd & Spruce Recreation Area

Rental Attendants

Wendy Collado
Adonis Fleming
Quennel Johnson
Yanyzel Torres



Tennis Courts

Programming for our award-winning COR Tennis program takes place on tennis courts located throughout Reading.

Tennis Court Locations

Angelica Park
Baer Park
City Park
Hampden Park
West Reading Playground

Ballfields

From March through November, our fields are used for a variety of purposes including soccer, football, rugby, kickball, softball, and baseball. The fields are maintained by employees of the Reading Recreation Commission (RRC) and the City of Reading Public Works Department.

Field Locations

Angelica Park
Baer Park
Brookline Playground
Egelman's Park
E.J. Dives Playground
Hillside Playground
Keffer Park
Neversink Playground
Northmont Playground
Pendora Park
Reading Iron Playground
Schlegel Park
3rd & Spring Playground
3rd & Spruce Recreation Area
6th & Amity Playground
10th & South Playground
11th & Pike Playground



Aquatics



Schlegel Park Pool

Fun in the Sun

The Schlegel Park Pool (Schlegel) provides cool “Fun in the Sun” for all ages from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day, annually. The city’s only public pool, Schlegel hosts special events throughout the summer including the 4th of July Celebration and Moonlight Swims. Qualified pool staff provide swimming lessons for kids and adults of all ability levels and long-course training time is available in the summer.

2016 Seasonal Attendance

Daily (4 & over)	17,721
Daily (3 & under)	1,604
Family Membership	20
Youth Membership	54
Adult Membership	5

#summerfun



Aquatic Safety

A Lesson for Life

One of the Reading Recreation Commission’s top priorities is to ensure that children in the City of Reading learn water-safety skills. The numbers are staggering—one of every five people who die from drowning is a child 14 and younger. Understanding the dangers in the water, and how to behave in the water, are skills we teach in our programs. Swimming lessons are offered for all ages at

the Schlegel Park Pool in the summer, and at Reading School District facilities (Geigle Complex and City Line Avenue) in the fall and spring.

Swimming is a great and fun recreational activity and a skill utilized throughout a person’s lifetime. Learning to swim is truly a **Lesson for Life!**

In 2016, we taught over 124 kids how to enjoy the water safely.

2016 Lifeguard Recertification: 15

2016 Lifeguard Recertification: 10



3rd & Spruce Recreation Center

320 S. 3rd St. | Serves youth in grades 1—12
 Open September—May, M-F, 3:00pm—8:00pm
 Open June—August, M-F, 12:30pm—5:00pm

The 3rd & Spruce Recreation Center (Spruce) provides safe and fun recreation activities to city youth. Open all year-long, Spruce hosts afterschool and playground programs. In addition, many adult sports leagues (including basketball and volleyball) use the center. Spruce has a full-sized gymnasium, game room, homework room, and cafeteria. During the school year, daily activities include arts and crafts, board games, sports, tutoring, career development workshops and clubs; some of the most popular clubs include Art, Dance, Chess, Tennis, Little Girls/Boys Clubs, and the Girls Leadership Program.

Our most popular special events are holiday dances, basketball workshops, science demonstrations, career nights, and our year-end Talent and Art Show.

Spruce serves as a “home away from home” to many kids. They are provided home-style meals every day, receive homework help and valuable mentoring time with our qualified staff.

Average Attendance: 80—150 per day
#Spruceset

11th & Pike Recreation Center

1185 Pike St. | Serves youth in grades 1—5
 Open September—May, M-F, 3:00pm—7:30pm
 Open June—August, M-F, 12:30pm—5:00pm

The 11th & Pike Recreation Center (Pike) provides safe and fun recreation activities to city youth all year-round. During the school year, Pike hosts an afterschool program and in the summer hosts a playground program.

Pike has an elementary-sized gymnasium, game room, homework room, and cafeteria. During the year, daily activities include arts and crafts, board games, sports activities, tutoring, career development workshops and clubs. Some of the most popular clubs include Art and Dance.

Pike was host to several special events in 2016 including our Easter

Celebration and Chess Tournament.

Serving younger kids than our Spruce location, Pike provides extensive homework help to English Language Learner students, daily meals and snacks, and encourages active outdoor play in one of the busiest parks in the city.

Average Attendance: 40-80 per day
#Pikenation



Did you know...?

In 2016, our Food Service Program served 33,985 home-style meals and 16,461 snacks to over 1,500 Reading city youth. Prepared onsite at 3rd & Spruce and 11th & Pike Recreation Centers, all meals follow Department of Education guidelines for health and nutrition. Special thanks to the Friends of Reading Hospital who generously purchased the Food Service van shown above. **#theymakeReadinglookgood**

Youth Program Highlights



Chef Sprout

Chef Sprout is an award-winning cooking program that teaches at-risk urban youth (10+) how to prepare healthy meals using limited resources available to them from local, corner grocery stores. In Reading, transportation and access to grocery stores and Farmer's Markets can be limited. As a result, approximately 66% of city residents report buying the bulk of their groceries at local corner stores where many of the offerings are processed foods. In addition, due to budget constraints, all middle-school Home Economics classes in the Reading School District were eliminated, leaving a huge void in student life skills education.

The curriculum for this program uses only readily-available ingredients for participants to prepare delicious and nutritious meals. Areas of focus for the 6-week programs include how to choose healthy ingredients, food safety, food preparation techniques, cooking techniques, plating and presentation.

Each Chef Sprout class accommodates between 15—25 students. In 2016, over 350 students completed the program, which had four locations including the 11th & Pike Recreation Center, 3rd and Spruce Recreation Center, YMCA of Reading, and Northwest Middle School.



Youth Program Highlights

Girls Leadership

In 2013, the Reading Recreation Commission (RRC) implemented an urban-focused Girls Leadership Program at 3rd & Spruce Recreation Center. This award-winning, evidenced-based program empowers young women in urban environments to be leaders, visionaries, and gives them tools to be healthy, successful, and contributing members of society.

The success of the program can be measured in real terms. Comparison of the participants' self-assessments from the beginning to the end of program saw marked improvements in self-esteem, community awareness, and better development of future education and career goals.

In 2016, the Girls Leadership Program expanded to Northeast Middle School in the Reading School District. Other locations include 3rd and Spruce Recreation Center, Northwest Middle School, and Reading Intermediate High School. There are plans to expand the program to an additional school location in the 2016-17 school-year.

Program Leaders: Heather M. Boyer, Lynn Driben, Sarah Hoffman, Daphne E. Klahr, Maritza Loaiza, Jude Thompson

#futureleaders



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Leader: Chef Antonio Lavigna

Summer Playground

June 13th—August 5th, 2016

3rd & Spruce Recreation Center | 11th & Pike Recreation Center | Baer Park | City Park | Hillside Playground | Keffer Park | Pendora Park | Schlegel Park

The award-winning Reading Recreation Commission's Summer

Playground Program operated at eight city locations in 2016. Activities included weekly trips to Schlegel Pool, daily arts and crafts, games and sports, field trips, and workshops. Nutritious lunches, prepared onsite at



3rd & Spruce Recreation Center, were served to all children participating in the program. Highlights of the summer included our extensive arts program, a trip to the Academy of Natural Sciences, and trips to the Reading Public Museum to learn about dinosaurs. The

penultimate celebration was the Lantern Parade where the kids made homemade lanterns out of Papier-mâché, cans, or milk cartons and marched through City Park and across the bandshell stage to celebrate the end of playground.

Participation: 325—400 children annually

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Youth Program Highlights

Hollywood Dinos

The Hollywood Dinos—From Drab to Fab! Design competition encouraged summer playground participants to design a 3-D dinosaur in a Hollywood theme.

The rules were simple: dinosaurs had to be constructed on cardboard sheets no larger than 8' x 8', could be two or three dimensional, and had to be identifiable by the species of dinosaur.

All playground participants visited the Reading Public Museum (RPM) before starting their dinosaur projects to learn about dinosaurs and fossils from RPM staff.

A reception held at the museum on July 21st displayed all of the dinosaurs and over 250 children and their parents were in attendance. Guest judges included Mayor Wally Scott, Mark Ratcliffe, and RPM staff.

The winning dinosaur, Lady Gaga, was displayed at the Reading Public Museum for one week before being transported to Reading City Hall to join the other dinosaurs as part of a public display.

The winning playground, along with participants from the other playgrounds, were awarded a trip to the Academy of Natural Sciences in Philadelphia.



Sports Program Highlights



Basketball

The Reading Recreation Commission coordinates basketball programs for athletes of all ages at 3rd & Spruce Recreation Center, 11th & Pike Recreation Center, and Southwest Middle School. Additionally, there are two traveling teams—18U and 16U—that play in tournaments throughout the Middle States region.

Each year, 3rd & Spruce and 11th & Pike Recreation Centers offer informal programs that teach kids fundamental basketball skills in a relaxed and fun environment. Youth ages 9-12 engage in more formal team play and compete against teams from each recreation center throughout the season.

In partnership with the YMCA of Reading and Bethany Children's Home, we offered a co-ed intramural league for ages 13 & over with the goal of expanding playing opportunities for youth in the city. The league was successful with four teams competing.

Tryouts are held each winter for our two traveling teams—18U and 16U. This higher level of play offered, March—June of each year, provides opportunities for participants to play on college campuses and sports complexes throughout the Middle States region. The travel teams competed in 9 tournaments in the 2016 season.

Coordinator: Matt Lubas
Coaches: Elvin Rodriguez,
Quennel Johnson



Shine Bright Softball League

The Shine Bright Girls Softball League, for girls ages 13-18, was a great success in its first year. 39 girls signed up for the program which included one travel team and three intramural teams. In



addition to playing softball, the girls were invited to participate in free softball clinics in winter and spring, field trips to local universities, and information sessions about post-secondary education.

Coordinators: Matt Lubas, Kevin Devera

Youth Soccer Academy

In 2015, the Reading Recreation Commission started a global Youth Soccer Academy at Egelman's Park and the Reading School District's 14th and Greenwich field. More than 40 kids participated in the inaugural 6-week program that included physical training, soccer drills, and games.

The Reading United Soccer players joined in on the fun and played alongside the kids for a few practices throughout the season. Friendly matches against teams from Wyomissing helped to round out the season. In 2016, the soccer program served over 60 kids every 8-week session.

Instructor: Kevin Devera

COR Tennis

The Reading Recreation Commission's (RRC) City of Reading (COR) Tennis Program is a nationally acclaimed program which serves over 3,000 students and adults annually, combining physical activity, healthy eating, homework assistance, and at-risk youth supervision.



What began as an eight-week summer program has evolved into a year-round tennis program at the forefront of United States Tennis Association (USTA) national initiatives. COR Tennis utilizes the progressive development model of the USTA.

The program operates in ten city parks, two recreation centers, six schools, and two tennis clubs throughout the year for the benefit of Reading School District (RSD) students and Berks County adults. Along with the RRC and the RSD, the program is supported by Fromuth Tennis, Tennis Fund of the Berks County Community Foundation, community volunteers, and student athletes from three local universities.

Participation Numbers

	<u>2016</u>
Play Date Events	27
Friday Night Lights	4
Tennis Club Members	413
Tennis Academy Members	63
Tennis & Education	93
PE Classes	1500
Adults	41
Special Events	1500+

COR Staff

Larry Zerbe	Tennis Director
Ben Daubenspeck	Head Pro
Brian Wardhammer	Head Pro/Junior Develop.
Lou Lepore, Jr.	Junior Development
Russ Moore	Coach

#tns4all



COR Tennis/Reading Rec Commission named Park & Rec Agency of the Year by Tennis Industry Magazine

By Peg Connor
 Tennis Industry Magazine
 Published January 2017
<http://www.tennisindustrymag.com/issues/201701/index.php>

At a time when many parks and recreation departments are cutting budgets and programs, COR Tennis & the Reading (Pa.) Recreation Commission has helped tennis thrive through the power of community partnerships.

Starting small in 1998, COR provided staff to conduct USTA school tennis assemblies. From there, COR expanded outreach to local schools, businesses and clubs, with support from tennis retailer Fromuth.

COR Tennis Director Larry Zerbe has been instrumental. "Larry sets high expectations for staff and players," says Renee Lenz, tennis service rep for USTA Middle States. "He develops great tennis players, but, more importantly, he develops great kids.

"Today, the courts in Reading are filled with families, a testament to the positive impact COR Tennis continues to have.



When I was introduced to tennis 40 years ago, I could never imagine how big a role the sport would play in my life. I went from a junior tennis brat (whiny

racquet tosser) to a mediocre college player (Notre Dame, when wood racquets were still high tech) to owning Fromuth Tennis with my wife, Meg. There are 25 players in my extended family, and my 78-year old Dad and I have been fortunate to play National Father/Son Tournaments for many years. But nothing in my tennis life gives me greater satisfaction than seeing the good work of a program we support called COR Tennis. This Reading Recreation Commission tennis program, led by the super-talented Larry Zerbe, is so much more than a tennis clinic for kids. Through tennis, we bring kids together and give them diversity, community, family, fitness, goals, camaraderie, competition, motivation, and most of all, FUN.

We are headquartered in Hampden Park right behind Reading High. On any summer night, you will see 30-40 kids training, sweating, laughing, belonging...to a tight knit group called COR.

Patrick J. Shields

Patrick J. Shields

President, Fromuth Tennis

Chairman, COR Tennis Fundraising Committee



Special Events

Easter Celebration

11th & Pike Recreation Center
Saturday, Saturday, April 5, 2016

Each year, the 11th & Pike Recreation Center gymnasium and playground becomes the scene for Easter joy as hundreds of kids and their parents enjoy great food, face painting, games, prizes, and a chance to visit with the Easter Bunny.

2016 attendance: 252 children

Easter Cuts for Kids 90

3rd and Spruce Recreation Center
Thursday, April 21, 2015

The Reading Recreation Commission (RRC) held its second annual Light Up the Lantern event at the DoubleTree Hotel. Over 180 people attended the event celebrating the achievements of youth enrolled in the RRC's programs.

An art show, a talent show, and food prepared by Chef Antonio Lavigna helped make the night, which raised over \$6,000, extra special for attendees. Awards for Boy and Girl of the Year, Sports, and Art were awarded to deserving youth.

Paying homage to the RRC's logo and the historical Lantern Parade (held each August for city playgrounds) the event served to shine the light brightly on the RRC and the youth we serve.



Lantern Parade

City Park Bandshell
Wednesday, August 6, 2016

Historically, the Lantern Parade (held on Penn Street) involved hundreds of kids from throughout Reading carrying lanterns made out of ice cream containers and cellophane, with real candles to illuminate them. Although our current lanterns (made out of coffee cans, Papier-mâché, and milk cartons) use glow sticks, the excitement of celebrating the end of summer with other kids was just as high as it had always been in the past. All seven of our playground programs participated in the event held at City Park. The night ended with dancing, food, and tons of fun.

#summerfun

Pine Car Derby

3rd & Spruce Recreation Center
Friday, November 13, 2016

About 30 members from the Boys Adventure Club, participated in the Pine Car Derby. In partnership with the Blue Mountain Region Sports Club Car of America, the Pine Car Derby race utilized a 22.5 foot raceway in the 3rd & Spruce gym. Alfred Clark, Diony Deleon, and Javier Mayan, all of Reading, took home 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places respectively.



Special Events



Halloween Hayride

Schlegel Park
October 16th—17th, 2014

Every October, we welcome children and their families to enjoy a hayride through beautiful Schlegel Park. Illuminated by candlelight, the ride features breathtaking views of Reading along with great Halloween displays. Saturday night was “scary” night and was not for the faint of heart! Every rider got to sit around the campfire and roast a s’more and visit with the Reading Fire Department to learn about fire safety. Other activities included face painting, crafts, and games.

2016 participation: 450 people

Cookies with Santa

Pendora Park
Saturday, December
2016

Every year, on the first Saturday in December, Santa and Mrs. Claus make a special trip into Reading to visit with hundreds of Reading children. All kids get a chance to eat homemade cookies with Santa, make a holiday craft, and visit with Santa’s elves.

2016 participation: 300 children



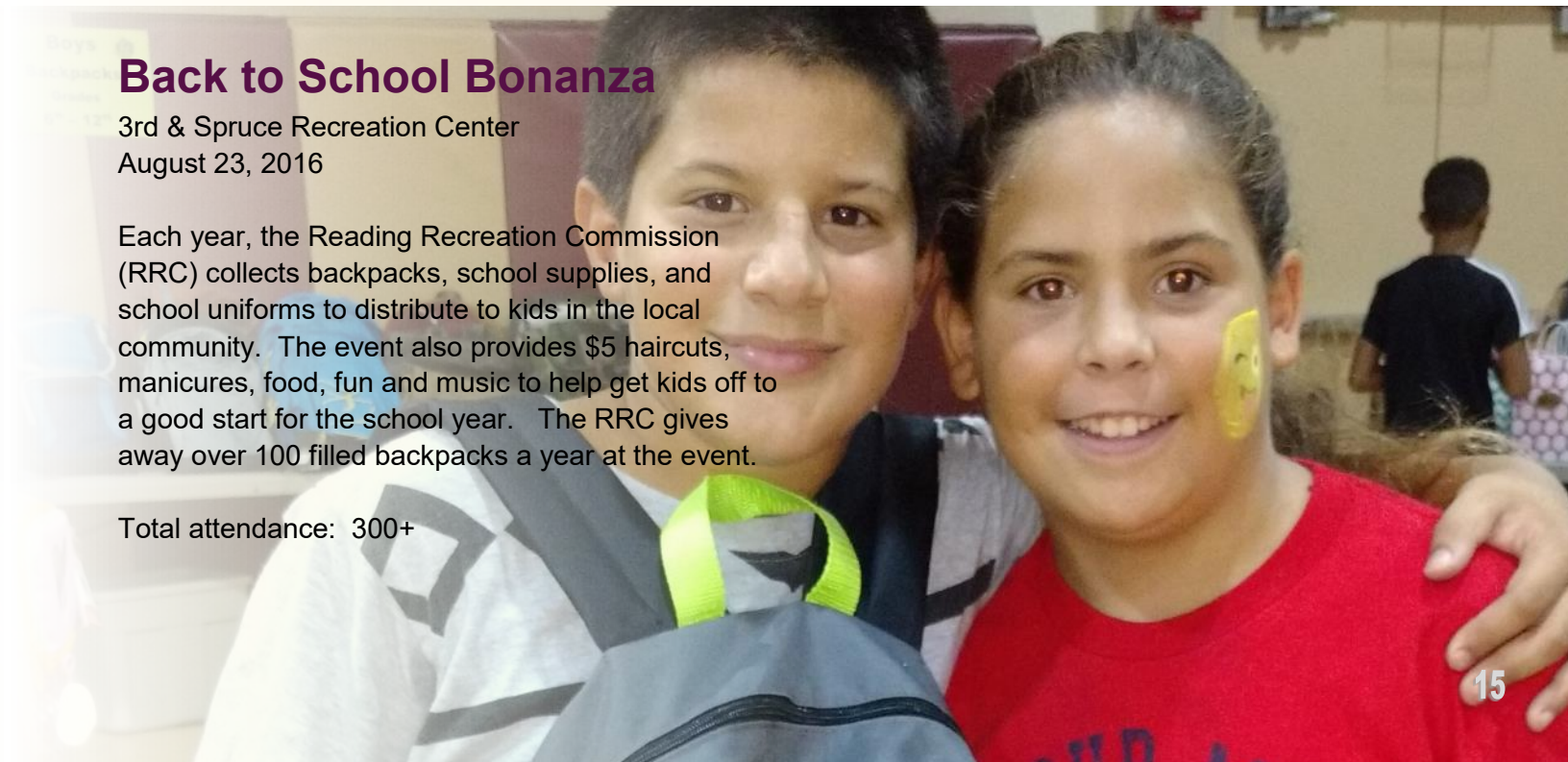
Community

Back to School Bonanza

3rd & Spruce Recreation Center
August 23, 2016

Each year, the Reading Recreation Commission (RRC) collects backpacks, school supplies, and school uniforms to distribute to kids in the local community. The event also provides \$5 haircuts, manicures, food, fun and music to help get kids off to a good start for the school year. The RRC gives away over 100 filled backpacks a year at the event.

Total attendance: 300+



Community

We Keep Reading Clean!

Community Cleanups

A continued focus of the RRC is to upgrade, repair, and clean the facilities and parks in which we operate programs and events. Over the course of the past two years, we welcomed over 800 students from Alvernia University and Albright College, and another 150+ from local community organizations who cleaned buildings, painted, picked up trash, landscaped, and more. We received strong support from the City of Reading Public Works Department and the Reading School District who supplied equipment, trash bags and gloves, paint, tools, mulch and much more. Thank you to everyone who helped our efforts over the past four years—we couldn't have done it without you!



Did you know...?

Since 2012, we have cleaned, painted, and helped to renovate over 20 parks and 6 buildings with over 10,000 volunteer hours.

Special thanks to the City of Reading Public Works Department who has been a great partner - helping us to keep Reading looking good one paint stroke and trash bag at a time!

Total Volunteer Hours: 3,000+
Total Parks and Schools Cleaned: 10
Total Number of Buildings Renovated: 2

#wemakeReadinglookgood

Those who helped us Make Reading Look Good!

Diamond

(Gift and/or In-kind of \$10,000 and above)
Berks County Community Foundation
Customers Bank
Friends of Reading Hospital
National Recreation & Park Association
United Way of Berks County
USTA Foundation, Inc.

Platinum

(Gift and/or In-kind of \$5,000 and above)
Berks County Community Action Program
Mr. and Mrs. James Connors
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Mrs. Rosemary Bestwick
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Gold

(Gift and/or In-kind of \$2,500 and above)
GMI First
Performance Toyota
Reading Eagle Company
USTA, Inc.
USTA Middle States Section, Inc.

Silver

(Gift and/or In-kind of \$1,000 and above)
Advanced Disposal
Angel and Scott Helm
Barbara and David Thun
Dave Zerbe Studio
Dodson Dietrich
Janet and Brian Covely
Neil Rush
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Bronze

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Anastasia Stahley
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ATV Bakery
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Those who helped us *Make Reading Look Good!*

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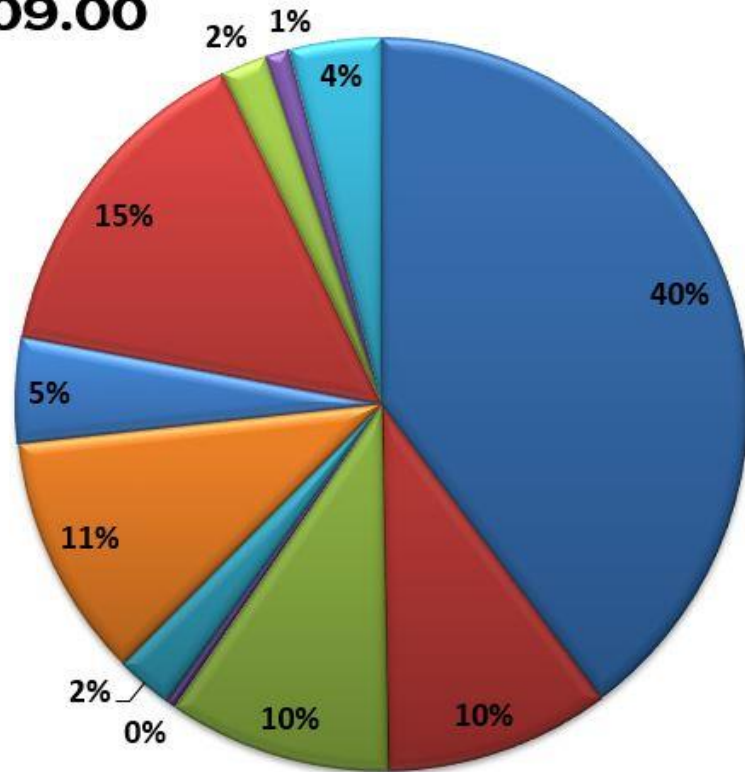
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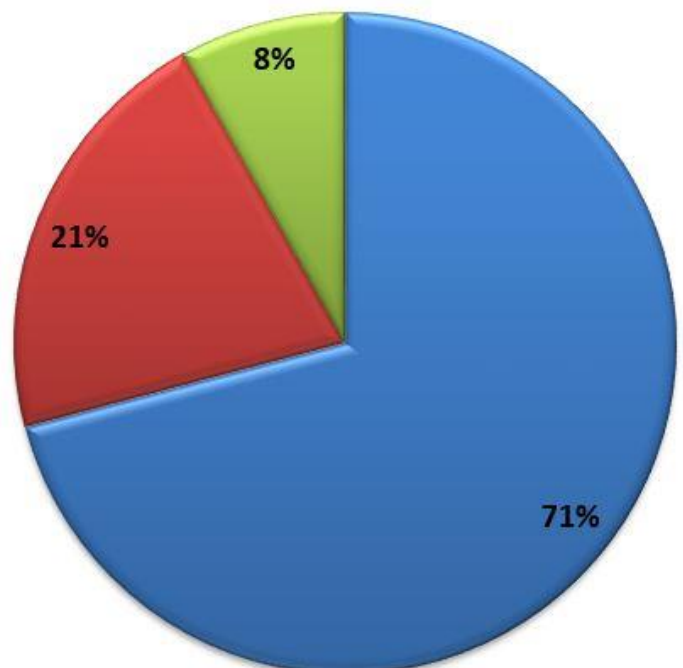
2016 REVENUE - \$1,222,509.00

- Local Public Funds - City of Reading [\$488,000]
- Local Public Funds - Reading School District [\$121,852]
- In-Kind & Other - [\$120,355]
- Grants - [\$5,338]
- Program Fees - Tennis [\$31,082]
- Pool - [\$132,198]
- Rental Fees - [\$57,230]
- Food Service Program - [\$182,423]
- Program Fees - Playground/Afterschool [\$24,846]
- Program Fees - Sports [\$12,890]



2016 EXPENSES - \$1,387,930.00

- Programs [\$984,152]
- Administrative [\$291,320]
- Fundraising [\$112,458]



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