#### **Memorandum**



DATE April 6, 2018

Honorable Members of the Quality of Life, Arts & Culture Committee: Sandy Greyson (Chair), Mark Clayton (Vice Chair), Rickey D. Callahan, Jennifer S. Gates, Scot Griggs, B. Adam McGough, Omar Narvaez

SUBJECT Park & Recreation – Active Senior Adult Programs (ASAP)

On Monday, April 9, 2018, you will be briefed on the Park & Recreation – Active Senior Adult Programs (ASAP). The briefing materials are attached for your review.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Joey Zapata

Assistant City Manager

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# Park & Recreation – Active Senior Adult Programs (ASAP)

Quality of Life, Arts & Culture Committee April 9, 2018

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#### **Overview**

- Purpose
- Background
- Program Structure
- Community Outreach
- Program Structure
- Registration Numbers
- Program Hours Program Highlights/Special Events
- Senior Summer Camp
- Next Steps



#### **Purpose**

- Provide a historical overview and update on the Senior Program Division
- Background on enhanced program component of the Dallas Park and Recreation Department
- Program components, participation levels, community partners, challenges and program success

#### **Background**

- City Council funded \$485,155 in FY 15/16 to restore the Senior Program Division; a division dedicated to the recreational programming of city of Dallas seniors age 55+
- In FY 17/18, City Council funded an additional \$250,000 to further enhance the program opportunities and recreational access for seniors citywide

#### **Background**

Seniors look to the Dallas Park and Recreation Department as a primary provider of health and wellness programs, enrichment activities, special events, socialization opportunities, competitive sports and special interest programs. The continued goal is to enhance programs and service delivery to our senior population



### **Community Outreach and Engagement**

- At program inception (2016), the Senior Program
   Division conducted 16 citywide roundtable meetings
   with 506 city of Dallas seniors in attendance. These
   meetings were designed to understand the needs and
   desires of our senior population as well as to promote
   the new senior program focus
- 325 surveys were collected at the conclusion of the roundtable meetings, the data collected through discussions and surveys served as the driving force behind our new program offerings



## **Community Outreach and Engagement**

#### Top 10 Programs Seniors wanted implemented in Dallas:

- Meals
- Pick-Up/Drop-Off to Programs
- BINGO/Group Games
- Trips
- Movie Outings
- Indoor track
- Water Aerobics
- Improved Fitness Programs
- Theater Programs
- Jewelry Making/Arts & Craft



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### **Community Outreach and Engagement**

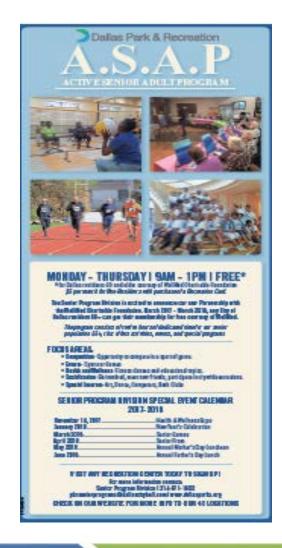
- The Senior Program Division is actively engaged in the marketing and promotion of its programs and events. The SPD team participates in a variety of forums marketing to senior organization in the Dallas area
  - Area Churches
  - Community Centers
  - Dallas Examiner
  - Dallas Morning News
  - Health and Wellness Fairs

- Non-profit groups
- Nursing Facilities
- On-Air Appearances (NBC 5/CBS 11)
- Social Media



#### **Program Structure**

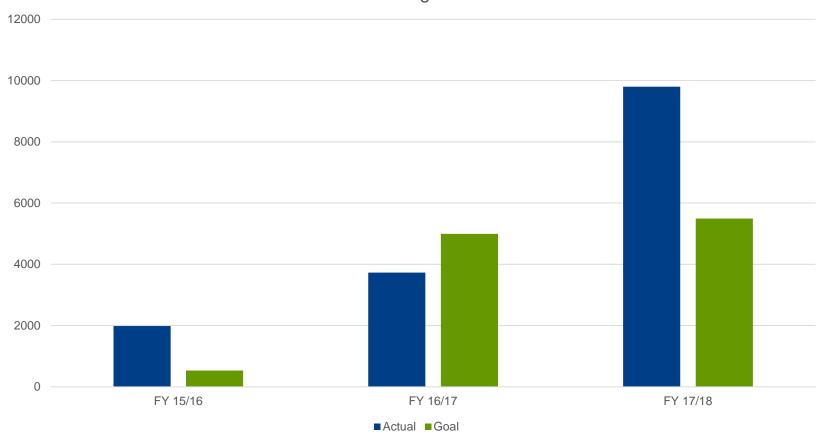
Programs offered under the Senior Program Division are categorized as Active Senior and Adult Programs (ASAP). ASAP is offered at all 43 recreation centers for participants age 55+. ASAP is typically facilitated Monday thru Thursday between the hours of 9am to 1pm





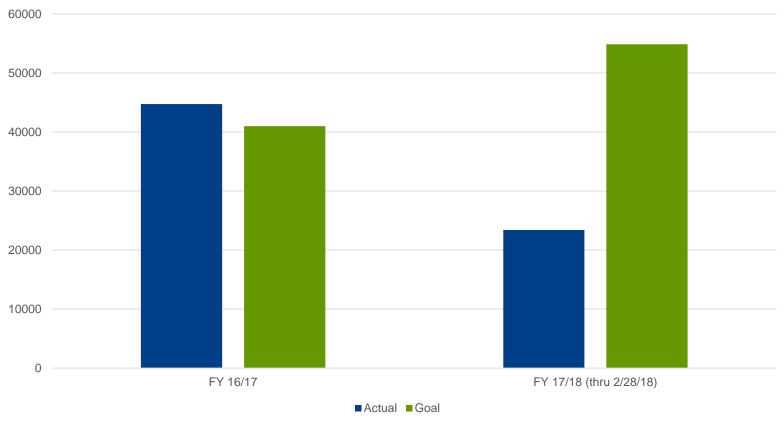
## **Annual City-wide Registration**

#### **Annual Registration**



#### **Program Hours Offered**





## **Program Highlights and Special Events**

In March 2017, our Partners with the WellMed Charitable Foundation contributed \$142K towards senior programs. This includes but is not limited to class instructors, resources, participant cards, field trips and associated program fees.

#### **Special Events**

<ul> <li>Grandparents Day</li> </ul>	350 attendees
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Health and Wellness Expo 515 attendees

Senior New Years Day

Opening Games Kick Off

**Senior Games** 

Senior Prom\*

Mother's Day Luncheon\*

Father's Day Luncheon\*

(\* program number from 2017)

300 attendees

614 attendees

308 registered participants

310 attendees

620 attendees

125 attendees



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### **Program Highlights and Special Events**



Senior Day @ Texas Horse Park



Riding @ THP



Mother's Day Luncheon



Senior Prom



Grandparent's Day Luncheon



Senior Games



Grocery Store Tour and Giveaway



#### **Senior Summer Camp**

Senior Summer Camp is an 8-week summer camp experience for Seniors age 55+. Seniors are exposed to cultural, health and wellness, entertainment and local field trips

- In 2017, the pilot summer camp program served 125 seniors at an average of 20 hours weekly. Programs were located at Janie C. Turner Recreation Center, Jaycee-Zaragoza Recreation Center and Juanita J. Craft Recreation Center
- This year summer camp will expand to an additional 4 locations; to include Campbell Green, KB Polk, Tommie M. Allen and Willie B. Johnson





#### **Next Steps**

- Continue to cultivate relationship with Office of Community Care, Senior Affairs Commission and other community stakeholders
- Market, promote and enhance program offerings specifically in low participation areas through additional Citywide Roundtable Meetings and Listening Sessions
- Develop a partnership with a food provider in order to provide daily meals to participants
- Improve transportation means for program and events
- Expand 2018 Senior Summer Camp initiative



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