

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!

As you may be aware, the City of Oakland is experiencing some trying financial times. The projected \$108 Million deficit is troubling for all departments. It will translate into **HUGE CUTS** in funding for services for youth, adults and families. That includes the

Office of Parks and Recreation.

Our programs are in dire need of your support! Programs such as Citywide Sports, Boating and Aquatics, Recreation Centers, and Cultural Arts are in danger of losing funding.

What does that mean for you? NO MORE...

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ...Citywide Flag Football and Basketball, Citywide Double Dutch, Track & Field, and tennis programs ...Cultural Arts programs at Studio One and the Malonga Center for the Arts (formerly Alice Arts Center) ...Boating and Aquatics programs at the Sailboat House, Temescal Pool, deFremery Pool, Fremont Pool ...senior programs for the jewels of our community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ...Recreation center program costs will increase OR facilities will close and there will be no programs at all ...Little to no Ball Field maintenance and the closure of parks and facilities ...Citywide Special Events; Play Day in the Plaza, Winter Festival & Radical Wheels ...tiny tot programs at recreation centers for the future of or community
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What can you do?

You can support the Office of Parks and Recreation by a writing letter or send an email to your council person **AND** the At-Large council person. You can attend City Council meetings on Tuesday evenings and speak at the open forum in support of Parks and Recreation programs. Let the council know how important Parks and Recreation programs are to you and your family.

We want to continue to provide quality programs for you & your family!

Help us continue to provide all the programs that you and your children love! We are here to serve you! But we need your support to continue doing this great work.

Here's how you can help....

Speak at the Open Forum during City Council Meetings:

You can submit a speaker card online using the link below and come to the meeting on Tuesdays at 6:45 pm. Speaker cards can be submitted online beginning at Noon on the Friday before the meeting, until 6 pm the day of the meeting. We encourage the children that participate in the programs to speak also. <http://www.oaklandnet.com/cityclerk/speakerupdate.cfm>

Write a letter to your council person:

ATTN: *Council Person Name*

1 Frank Ogawa Plaza City Hall, Oakland, CA 94612

Send an email to your council person AND the At-Large council person:

District 1	Jane Brunner	Email: jbrunner@oaklandnet.com
District 2	Patricia Kernighan	Email: pkernighan@oaklandnet.com
District 3	Nancy Nadel	Email: nnadel@oaklandnet.com
District 4	Jean Quan	Email: jquan@oaklandnet.com
District 5	Igancio de la Fuente	Email: idelafuente@oaklandnet.com
District 6	Desley Brooks	Email: dbrooks@oaklandnet.com
District 7	Larry Reid	Email: lreid@oaklandnet.com
At-Large	Rebecca Kaplan	Email: rkaplan@oaklandnet.com

Join an Advisory Council at your local recreation center:

All of the recreation centers in the City of Oakland have Advisory Councils to support programs, offer ideas, and to support the community by advocating for youth and families.

If you would like to contribute to the continuation of quality programs for youth, adults and families...reach out and make contact. Sign up for email alerts, join a mailing list, or just ask....how can I make a difference in the City of Oakland?

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