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The mission of
Rockville Recreation and
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improve recreation
activities, opportunities,
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and facilities in the City
of Rockville.

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FOUNDATION WILL CELEBRATE 10TH ANNIVERSARY

On Wednesday, October 10th, the Foundation will mark its 10th anniversary with an appreciation reception at the Croydon Creek Nature Center. "it's remarkable that more than \$100,000 has been raised and invested back in to recreation and parks programs and facilities", noted Foundation President Chip Boylan, "that also includes providing funds so several hundred children can participate in sports, camps, swim lessons and other activities."

The Foundation started in 2008 as a result of the financial downturn when families began struggling to pay for their children to participate in healthy after school activities. The Board and other volunteers work closely with the staff to raise money and determine which projects and activities to fund for the most impact on the community.

The celebration on the 10th will recognize and thank the donors and volunteers that have made the Foundations efforts a success. For more information about the event, email contactus@rrpfi.org

FUNDS IMPROVE PARTICIPATION, SAFETY, AND BRING BUBBLE SOCCER TO ROCKVILLE!

This Spring, the Foundation donated \$5,000 to the City of Rockville's Youth Recreation Fund to help ensure children can participate in camp and other recreation activities, regardless of their ability to pay. On average, nearly 500 families request approximately \$40,000 in assistance. "The Foundation knows how important camp and other recreation experiences are for all children to help with social-emotional development, relationship building, communication skills, and physical development." said Marilyn Peifer, Secretary. "We are thrilled to support this important effort."



In addition, the Foundation provided more than \$17,000 to purchase large Bubble Balls for the soccer games for the Teen program, camper t-shirts to help counselors keep track of kids while on outings, and a scoreboard and wall pads for the basketball courts at the Thomas Farm Community Center gymnasium, and other equipment. Several of these items were funded through the Ken Peifer Memorial Fund.



THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTORS

The Foundation is grateful for the support of the contributors listed below who supported our "Send a Kid to Camp" drive, the Annual Golf Classic, and other efforts to raise funds to help improve recreation programs and facilities in Rockville.

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