Dear friends,

2019 was definitely a whirlwind year, and the Kettering Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Department (PRCA) achieved a lot of success through creative programming, strong facility operations and unique one-time events. The amazing department staff identifies innovative solutions to create successful experiences for all of our cherished customers and the numerous volunteers that support our Advisory Boards and programs.

By the numbers, PRCA’s programs touch many lives in the community. 2,226 classes were offered through the year providing positive experiences for 31,965 youth and adults. Fraze Pavilion, the region’s best location for summer music, hosted 115,840 guests at over 36 ticketed events. The PRCA personal training staff conducted over 5,400 sessions at both the Kettering Recreation Complex and Kettering Fitness and Wellness Center facilities. Our Parks staff managed 6,157 athletic field and court reservations serving over 2,221 children participating in sports activities.

PRCA also had some notable new programs introduced and or completed in 2019. The Environmental Education Division established Kettering’s first Archery program. Through the support of Cabela’s Outdoor Fund and the Ohio Department of Wildlife, our department was able to purchase new equipment to support introductory archery programs. The first three sessions of classes were sold out with a waiting list. The new Archery program is an excellent example of the department’s partnerships with private foundations to support our expanding environmental education programs.

*Bee Ambitious* was a 2019 public art mosaic project that covered 11 sidewalks in the Haverstick neighborhood. It was created by artist Jes McMillan to provide outdoor play space. McMillan led four community workshops where 372 participants created all of the mosaic tiles used in the sidewalk play spaces. *Bee Ambitious* received the first place award for outstanding achievement from the Ohio Parks and Recreation Association 2019 Award of Excellence in the Cultural Arts category.

PRCA’s 2019 Annual Report reflects the broad community reach that touched thousands of people this past year through the amazing programs, services and facility offerings. Thank you, Kettering; your support of and investment in the PRCA Department makes Kettering our community to call home.

All the best,

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MISSION
We are here to provide quality parks, recreation and cultural arts that make Kettering home.

VISION
We envision an exceptional and engaging parks, recreation and cultural arts department that improves the quality of life for everyone in our community.
YEAR IN REVIEW

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts have a lot to celebrate in providing safe, fun and enriching activities and spaces to Kettering residents. Here is a look at our program highlights!

2,226
Registered Classes Offered

19,540
Participants Enrolled

12,425
Youth Enrolled in Classes and Camps

115,840
Fraze 2019 Season Total Attendance
AQUATICS

The aquatics offerings at the Kettering Recreation Complex include an indoor 25-meter pool open year-round, sauna, steam room, whirlpool, and 3-acre outdoor Adventure Reef Water Park open annually from Memorial Day to Labor Day. In 2019, the aquatics offerings served over 85,000 guests by offering water-based fun and learning for people of all ages and swim abilities.

60,000+
Adventure Reef Water Park Attendance led to a 3-year record in drop-in revenue.

85
American Red Cross Lifeguard certifications

24,000+
Indoor pool attendance.

2,000
Aquatic program enrollments.
Enrollment in youth classes and camps was nearly 1,400 while adult classes brought in over 1,200 enrollments, contributing to a total attendance well over 22,000.

Summer camps saw an increase of almost 12% in enrollments over 2018.

Launch of the Artist in Residence program in the Ceramic Studio and Rosewood Gallery.

ARTS EDUCATION

Arts education is the core of Rosewood Arts Centre, with 466 class offerings and 64 artists from the region hired to teach and provide creative activities to the Rosewood community in 2019.
ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

The environmental education program includes the Land Lab Nature Program with the Kettering City Schools and year-round classes, workshops and camps at Habitat Environmental Education Center.

2,500+
Kettering School District youth (K-5) participated in Land Lab programs at Habitat Environmental Center for 2018–19.

238
Campers participated in nature camps.

300+
Registered participants took environmental education classes and workshops.
Fraze Pavilion is southwestern Ohio's premiere neighborhood outdoor entertainment venue. In addition to a season of special performances, Fraze hosted several festivals and community events, including the annual Kettering Block Party!

Fraze hosted **11** free festivals and events with **75,500** people in attendance.

First time performances in Kettering by Charlie Wilson, Diana Ross, JoJo Siwa and Morrissey.

The 2019 season included **30** ticketed events with **80,340** ticketed/rental in attendance.
A-Zumba put the focus on heart health with a collaborative event at the Kettering Recreation Complex featuring free group exercise classes, a health fair, chair massage, lectures, cooking demonstrations and healthy snacks, with 489 participants.
ICE ARENA

The Kettering Ice Arena is home to a nationally recognized Learn to Skate USA Program with offerings for any age, skill level and ability. In addition to lessons, skaters can also enjoy a variety of opportunities such as adult skates, youth and homeschool skates, open skates and even drop in stick times where guests can hone their hockey skills.
The Parks Division oversees 21 parks throughout the city, including basketball, volleyball, tennis and pickleball courts, playgrounds, fishing ponds, and much more. In 2019, Parks dedicated over 7,700 hours to mowing parks, medians and facility grounds!

- **983** trees, saplings and shrubs were planted within public parks, medians and facilities.
- **758** shelter reservations
  Kettering was awarded the status of being a Tree City USA for the 37th consecutive year.
- **6,157** athletic fields and court reservations managed, with over 2,221 kids participating in athletic programs.
RECREATION

In 2019, the Senior and Adult program divisions were merged into one division with the goal of building on successful ongoing programs and creating new, engaging programs for the largest and growing population in Kettering. The Youth and Family area gave the Kettering community an opportunity to explore, play, imagine and learn throughout 2019.

**Senior Transportation Services drove 31,000 miles** providing more than 4,000 one way rides, supported by over 1,000 volunteer hours.

**8,554** Senior Drop-in Sports and Golf League attendance.

**547** Bingo Bonanza participants — a 37% rise in attendance.

**1,643** Recreation Camps participants with 22 new camps.

**350** people attended Touch a Truck with 20 vehicles.
Local artists and students from Kettering City Schools, Dayton Public Schools and Wright State University were featured in the inaugural Print Exchange Portfolio.

2,000+ visitors experienced Works on Paper, The View Landscape Exhibition, HWD Sculpture Exhibition and Art Ed: An Art Educator’s Exhibition.

154 artists were featured from Ohio, Arkansas, Alabama, Indiana, West Virginia, Michigan, Kentucky and Pennsylvania.

The Rosewood Photo Club was launched and meets monthly for people of all skill levels.

Special programs included a series of artist-led workshops, preschool storytime and book club programs with the Dayton Metro Library.

ROSEWOOD GALLERY

Kettering’s professional exhibition space, Rosewood Gallery, featured regional and national artists in a wide range of media. In 2019, the gallery hosted eight solo exhibitions and four juried exhibitions.
The 2019 year was another successful one for athletic activities. Participation increased in youth basketball, soccer and sports camps. Adult leagues remained strong, including continued growth in the adult basketball program. We offered several new youth pre-season camps for basketball and soccer and all filled up to capacity.

475
Adult Sports Teams
with more than
4,000 players.

1,800
Youth Sports players
900
Sports Camps attendance.

300
attended Youth and Adult Judo

275
attended Youth and Adult Fencing.

255
Volunteer Youth Sports coaches.
SPECIAL EVENTS

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts organizes several special events throughout the year, including new ones and favorites, bringing thousands of people together to learn new skills, experience a new place or program, and have fun!

7,000 attendees at Art on the Commons in Lincoln Park, with 2,500 at the Mayor’s Christmas Tree Lighting, and 200 participated in Walk and Bike the Arts.

Fraze continued to partner with the Miami Valley Restaurant Association to host the Taco Fiesta, Kickin’ Chicken WingFest, BaconFest and Festival of the Vine.

Events at Rosewood and Habitat Environmental Center included Comic Book Studio Day, Rosewood Spring Dance Revues, A Rosewood Holiday Arts Festival and Art on the Playground.
750
Theatre goers attended The Magic Harmonica and Other Fanciful Tales and Charlotte’s Web presented by Kettering Children’s Theatre in the Rosewood Theatre.

1,000
people attended HoneyFest at Delco Park

225
youth participated in the Annual Fishing Derby and

900
enjoyed the Optimists Kids Day in the Park.

25,000
attended Go 4th! at Delco Park.

The Recreation Complex and Polen Farm events included Bubblefest, Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt, Movie Nights in the Park, Fun for Little Ones, Breakfast and Brunch with Santa, Flashlight Candy Cane Hunt and the New Year’s Eve Family Bash

Polen Farm hosted the Kettering Civic Band’s 60 Anniversary Summertime, Sousa and Sundaes concert series with 600 attendees.
ACCESSIBILITY, INCLUSION AND OPPORTUNITY

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts and the City of Kettering are committed to accessibility, inclusion and finding opportunities to reach our Kettering residents. PRCA works closely with the City of Kettering’s Inclusion and Compliance Manager to educate the staff on working with all individuals, including offering program modifications as requested by patrons with disabilities. Over the next several years, our goals include reaching new participants who may not be aware of our inclusivity mission, and advocating for accessibility within our programs and facilities.

Adventure Reef Water Park was home to Water Park Wednesday, a program implemented to remove the financial barriers of attendance for Kettering youth wishing to participate in the recreation opportunities at the Adventure Reef Water Park.

Kaleidoscope: Art and Nature on Wheels presented art activities to thousands of children in over a dozen locations throughout Kettering. New in 2019, Kaleidoscope partnered with Bogg Ministries Mobile Meals to present art activities at summertime block parties for Kettering. Kaleidoscope also continued to partner with the Summer Fun at the Trails camp at the Trails of Oak Creek. Both programs provide food to residents facing food insecurity.

The Kettering Giving Tree program served more than 420 school-aged children in 2019. Led by the Kettering Recreation team, this program works closely with school counselors, Kettering families in need and community members to help to provide a wonderful holiday to children in our community.
SUPPORT

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FOUNDATIONS
Community Fund for Kettering
The Dayton Foundation
Joan W. McCoy Art Memorial Fund
Kettering Dor-wood Optimists
Kettering Parks Foundation
Thomas Schiff Foundation

STATE AGENCIES
The Ohio Arts Council
The Ohio Facilities Construction Commission

PROGRAM SPONSORSHIP
5 Point Cloggers
91.3 WYSO
937 Party Bus
Bath Fitter
Brookdale Kettering
Chick-fil-A Kettering
City BBQ
Dayton Daily News/Cox Media
Dayton Art Solutions
El Rancho Grande
ETix
Eudora Brewing
Farmer’s Insurance: Jim Berlon
Flying Ace Express Carwash
Goodwill Easter Seals Miami Valley
Hamburger Wagon
HarborChase of Beavercreek
Heartland of Kettering
Heidelberg Distributing Co.
Humane Society of Greater Dayton
Jean’s Pup Pup & Kit Cat Pet Care Service, LLC
Kingston of Miamisburg
Kenzie’s K9 Design
Kettering Health Network
Kettering Medical Center
Kingston Healthcare
LaRosa’s Pizzeria
Mark Fornes Realty
MediGold
Miami Valley Dance Company
Miami Valley Pit Crew
Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission
The Modern College of Design
Waker Plumbing
Oak Creek Terrace
Pepsi
Poelking Lanes
Robert K. Jones Insurance
Richens Timm Academy of Irish Dance
SICSA
Solar Flare Heating & Air
Southdale Elementary ORFF Orchestra
Special Occasions Party Supply
State Farm Insurance: Linda Nervis
USA Tire & Auto Service Center
Vibrant Home Health Care, Inc.
Wood Glen
Vibrant Home Health
Village at the Greene
Visual AIDS
Cornell Studio Supply
Culture Works Dayton
Curl Troy
Dayton Fangs Women’s Hockey
Dayton Metro Library
Dayton Stealth
Dayton Society of Artists
East Kettering Recreation Club
Easter Seals
Fairmont Career Tech Program
Fairmont High School Swim Team
First Kettering Amateur League
Gem City Comic Con
Heartland Hospice
Heartland of Kettering
Hospice of Kettering
Huff N Puff
Humane Society of Greater Dayton
Ice Force
Kettering Amateur Baseball Commission
Kettering BMX
Kettering City Schools
Kettering City Swim Team
Kettering Health Network
Kettering Youth Football and Cheer Organization
Meadowlark Restaurant
Metro Soccer Club
Miami Valley Communications Council
Miracle Ear
Montgomery County Health Department
Red Tail Photography
Town and Country Shopping Center
USA Hockey
USA Skating
Wright State University
Wheat Penny Oven & Bar
Washington-Centerville Public Libraries
Wonder League
Woodlawn Cemetery

PROGRAM PARTNERS
Five Rivers MetroParks
American Red Cross
Archer’s Tavern
Area Agency on Aging
Brookdale Kettering
City of Kettering Board of Community Relations
City of Kettering Police Department
Christopher’s Restaurant and Catering

WASHINGTON-CENTRELLIE PUBLIC LIBRARIES
WONDER LEAGUE
WOODLAWN CEMETERY

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

2019 TOTAL EXPENSES $11,046,671
- Recreation 51%
- Parks 30%
- Administration 10%
- Cultural Arts 9%

2019 TOTAL INCOME $3,731,011
- Recreation 87%
- Parks 3%
- Cultural Arts 8%
- Administration 2%

2019 FRAZE PAVILION EXPENSES
- Operating 77%
- Personnel 23%
- Capital 0%

$3.7 MILLION
PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL
ARTS DEPARTMENT 2020
PROJECTED REVENUE

$11.7 MILLION
PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL
ARTS DEPARTMENT APPROVED
2020 EXPENDITURES

BREAKDOWN OF 2020 PRCA EXPENDITURE CATEGORIES
BY BUDGET PERCENTAGE

- Operating Expenditures 37%
- Capital Equipment Expenditures 2%
- Personnel Expenditures 61%
Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts is committed to providing high quality experiences to our residents. Several advisory committees comprised of dozens of volunteers work closely with PRCA staff on programs, special projects and much more!

**ART IN PUBLIC PLACES**
Gerald Busch, Eva Buttacavoli, Susan Byrnes, Connie Campbell, Stefan Chinov, Tess Cortés, Meghan Dillon, Bruce Duke, Pete Horan, Linda Lombard (Chair), Terry Welker. PRCA Staff: Shayna V. McConville

**KETTERING ARTS COUNCIL**
Laura Arber (Vice President), Susan Bennett, Sue Ellen Boesch, Christian Davell, Meghan Dillon (Secretary/Treasurer), Sandra Doninger, Gine Elliott, Pat Higgins (President), Tracy McElfresh, Thom Meyer, Pene Miller, Terry Schalnat. PRCA Staff: Shayna V. McConville

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Karen Schmitt (Chair), Edna Vanderkarr (Vice Chair), Gail Carone (Secretary), Jan Crosby, John Schmitt, Lisa Fields. PRCA Staff: Jennifer Giessler, Drew Corbett, Chris George, Vickie Carraher

**PARKS BOARD**
Laura Arber, Jamie Jarosik, Carrie Kihn, Rob Leonard, Shane Sullivan

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OUR TEAM
2019 PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL ARTS
LEADERSHIP
Mary Beth O’Dell, Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts
Lindsey Whitley, Secretary
Ryan Davis, Administration and Special Projects Superintendent
Shauna Lewallen, Recreation Superintendent
Shayna V. McConville, Division Manager of Cultural Arts
Gary Schussler, Parks Superintendent
Rachel Sherwood, Fraze Pavilion Operations Manager

2019 PROGRAM AND FACILITY LEAD STAFF
Matt Byrd, Parks Manager
Drew Corbett, Recreation Manager
Christopher George, KRC/CIL Facility Manager
Tony Habart, Ice Arena Manager
Barry Sanders, Parks Manager
Lindsey Curry, Fitness and Wellness Supervisor
Andrew Dailey, Cultural Arts Program Supervisor
Jennifer Giessler, Senior and Adult Program Supervisor
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Jake Hensel, Sports Supervisor
Kerri Miles, Environmental Education Supervisor
Addie Weaver, Program and Youth Development Supervisor

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3036 Bellflower Street
Kettering, OH 45429
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Rosewood Arts Centre
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Polen Farm
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