

Challenges and Opportunities

2015 will be another year filled with collaboration and ongoing discussions as we work together to build more sustainable public/private partnerships ; as we work together to further enhance the many parks & recreational opportunities and enhance the arts and cultural activities in the City of South Bend for generations to come.



All PARC Committee meetings are open to the public. Check the Council's website for times and topics.

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Parks, Arts, Recreation & Culture

South Bend Common Council



*“Oversees the Century Center,
Regional Museum of Arts,
Morris Performing Arts
Center and the Parks
& Recreation Department”*



South Bend is the HOME of Indiana's oldest zoo established in 1902; over 56 parks, 3 golf courses, 59 playgrounds, 42 tennis courts, 7 water playgrounds, 1 pool, over 27 miles of multi-use trails,.. These are just to name a few of our multi-faceted attractions offered to explore...





2015 PARC Committee

The Council Members who sit on the 2015 PARC Committee include:



Dr. Fred Ferlic,
Chairperson
(4th District Council)



Derek D. Dieter,
Vice-Chairperson
At Large Councilmember



Henry Davis, Jr.,
Committee Member
2nd District Council



Dr. David Varner
Committee Member
5th District Council

PARK & RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES



The South Bend Parks & Recreation Department is CAPRA accredited placing it in the top 1% of all departments in the nation. South Bend provides a wide variety of recreational opportunities throughout our great City. We are a “**Bicycle Friendly Community**”, having been recognized by the League of American Bicyclists for having over 66 miles of bike routes.

White Water rafting in downtown South Bend along Niles Avenue in the **East Race Waterway** provides 1,900 feet of rafting & kayaking since it opened in 1984.

The **Belleville Softball Complex** at 1300 S. Mayflower Road has been the location of the Amateur Softball Association’s national tournaments and in 2015 will host the ISC World Tournament,

The **Martin Luther King, Jr. Recreation Center** located at 1522 West Linden provides after-school recreation programs, Senior Programs, Soldiers Basketball, & Teen Mentoring—just to name a few.

5-YEAR MASTER PLAN 2014-2018

Citizens have recommended many goals and objectives for the City of South Bend to review over the next five years. Walking, swimming, hiking, jogging, biking, fishing, basketball, skateboarding, paintball, ultimate Frisbee, are just some of the activities being sought.

Compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is a high priority that park and recreation programs & services for children, youth & adults with disabilities can be achieved.

Festivals & events such as the MLK Walk, St. Patrick’s Day Parade, Cinco de Mayo Festival at Howard Park, Bike the Bend, Leeper Park Art Fair, Art Beat, Friday’s by the Fountain, Juneteenth at LaSalle Park, Potawatomi Park Concerts, Urban Adventure, First Fridays Downtown are becoming more and more popular.

Funding is now the issue which will need the input of our community.



Establishing priorities with citizen involvement