





# Therapeutic Recreation Services (TRS) WINTER 2023-2024

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### THERAPEUTIC RECREATION SERVICES (TRS)

The City of San Diego, Parks and Recreation Department, Therapeutic Recreation Services, provides therapeutic recreation programs for children and adults with any type of disability. Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialists (CTRS) work with participants on social and recreational skill development, leisure education, appropriate behavior, and recreation participation in inclusive environments.

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## Where to Start/Online Registration

Winter Registration starts November 18, 2023 at 10:00 am

### **Steps to register on SD Rec Connect**

**First Time users:** Create an online profile, using the Activity Registration System, **SDRecConnect.com.** Click "Create an Account". Fill out "New Account Request" form completely for the primary responsible person, a parent or guardian, including all required fields, and click Submit (or Submit and Add Family Member to add family members). Upon completion, a confirmation email with a first-time activation link will be sent to the email address provided. You will not be able to use your new account until you've used this link. Note: this email may go to your "spam" folder. To avoid duplication, be sure to let others in your household know you've set up the account. \*\*Important: If you are registering a child for an activity, do not use the child's information when creating a New Account. You can add them as a family member after the account is created.

**Returning Customers:** for returning customers, click the "Sign In" or "My Account" button. Enter your login (email address) and password.

### **Payment Process**

Payments can be made online at SDRecConnect.com or at Park de la Cruz Community Center (3901 Landis St., 92105). See page 6 for center hours.

A parent or legal guardian must register participants under the age of 18 years. Cash or paper check is NOT accepted when paying in advance. Acceptable payment methods include: electronic check– proper ID with proof of checking account (blank or voided check) or credit, debit, or gift cards issued by qualified card service merchants (Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover only).

A \$25.00 fee will be charged for declined electronic checks. Customers should verify that bank routing and account numbers are entered correctly. Activities not meeting the minimum enrollment may be cancelled. All registration and reservation fees include a non-refundable 3.56% processing fee.

### **Refund Policy**

Written refund applications must be submitted, using the Application for Miscellaneous Refund Form, in person at the facility where the program occurs. Refunds will be processed in accordance with the following policy:

Refund policy exclusions: 3.56% processing fee will be deducted from all refunds. No refund or transfer for non-attendance at activity. No credits to account. Activity fees less than \$10 will not be refunded. No refunds for requests submitted less than 20 business days prior to the activity. Refunds will take 4-8 weeks, depending on payment method. Payments made by credit card will be refunded to the credit card.

### **Scholarship Procedure**

For information on applying for the City of San Diego low income fee waiver or the Disabled Service Advisory Council (DSAC) scholarship, please call (619) 525-8247 or stop by the Park de la Cruz (PDLC) office (3901 Landis St., 92105). Application can be submitted with a recreation center staff at PDLC.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### Park de la Cruz Garden Grand Opening

If you missed Park de la Cruz's Garden Ribbon Cutting event on September 16, we missed you, but you are welcome to stop by Monday through Friday between 10:00 am and 2:00 pm to enjoy the tranquil space by reading a book, bringing a sack lunch, or just relaxing. In addition, check out pages 10-12 for the Zen Garden Club, Green Thumb Club, and/or Little Sprouts & Blooms programs. The garden is thriving thanks to numerous donations and volunteer support. Contact Michael at Michael R@sandiego.gov or (619) 236-7755 or if you are interested in being a garden volunteer.





### Summer Superstar: Eric Grube

Congratulations to our Summer Super Star, Eric! Eric assisted TRS by leading groups at all three TRS summer camps, working inclusion support, beach wheelchair accessible program, and leading a weekly fitness program. Eric is hardworking and dedicated to helping to improve the quality of programs TRS offers. Thank you for all you do!

Eric's favorite memory from summer was surfing during Camp Wet and Wild!

### Staff Spotlight: Alexander Sandejas

### Why did you want to work at TRS?

My experience volunteering with TRS was very enjoyable and I learned a lot from those experiences that I decided to purse a position within the TRS field.

### What has been your favorite moment?

I really enjoy working our summer camps. You can't beat the scenic beach/bay side and watching participants enjoy the week long activities!

### Favorite hobby outside of work?

My favorite hobbies include hanging out with friends, playing video games, navigating photoshop, and learning new languages.

### Fun fact about yourself?

I am learning three new languages: Norwegian, Finnish, and Shetland Nynorn. I hope to be intermediate with Norwegian by the end of the year!



## **VOLUNTEER CORNER**

TRS is proud to offer a wide variety of volunteer opportunities for anyone 13 years and older to get involved. We rely heavily on volunteers to help provide quality programming to enrich the lives of individuals with disabilities.

### Requirements

- At least 13 years old
- Attend a volunteer orientation
- Clear a background check
- Commit to two or more activities each month

### Qualifications

- Patient
- Enjoy working with people
- Dependable
- Desire to work with a diverse population
- Energetic, enthusiastic, and eager to have fun!

### Volunteer Opportunities

- Assist with supervision and safety of participants and provide hands on assistance with individuals with disabilities during activities
- Garden assistance
- Kitchen volunteers
- Biking Program volunteers









If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please contact Michael Rodriguez at (619) 236-7755 or MichaelR@sandiego.gov



### Volunteers of the Quarter: Maddy and Jack

Maddy got involved with TRS two years ago. One of Maddy's favorite memories is from this summer's bowling outing. One of the participants was jumping up and down with excitement after bowling a strike, the smile and joy was priceless. Fun fact about her is that she loves jigsaw puzzles!

Jack got into TRS when his sister, Maddy, recommended it to him. Jack's favorite memory was watching a participant overcome their fear of waterslides. Fun facts about Jack, are that he is a freshman in High School, plays water polo, and enjoys cooking in his free time!

## Park de la Cruz Community Park

### Community Center Hours 3901 Landis Street, 92105

Phone: (619) 525-8247

sandiego.gov/park-and-recreation/activities/trs

Monday	8:30 am - 8:00 pm
Tuesday	8:30 am - 8:00 pm
Wednesday	8:30 am - 8:00 pm
Thursday	8:30 am - 8:00 pm
Friday	8:30 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday	10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Sunday	Closed

Sunday Closed

### **Gymnasium Hours**

3911 Landis Street, 92105 Phone: (619) 516-3141

<u>sandiego.gov/park-and-recreation/</u> centers/recctr/parkdelacruzgym

Monday	10:00 am - 8:30 pm
Tuesday	10:00 am - 8:30 pm
Wednesday	10:00 am - 8:30 pm
Thursday	10:00 am - 8:30 pm
Friday	10:00 am - 8:30 pm
Saturday	9:30 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday	Clasad

Sunday Closed

Closed Dec. 25th, Jan. 1st, 15th and Feb. 19th in observance of City Holidays.

### **Recreation Room**

You can check out a variety of recreation equipment including basketballs, pool, pingpong, board games and more. Individuals age 13 and older will need a picture ID (school, driver license, etc.). Children under the age of 13 must have parent or guardian present. No supervision provided. Recreation room open during community center hours.

### **Fitness Center**

The fitness center has various free weights, cardio machines, and adaptable equipment. Must be 18 years and older. No direct supervision provided. Fitness center is open during community center hours. Register onsite.

COST: \$15 for TRS & AWS Participants \$25 per quarter Community Members

### **Serving Seniors**

Monday – Friday | 12:00 – 1:00 pm
Serving Seniors provides hot, nutritious lunch to seniors age 60+ at Park de la Cruz (3901 Landis St., 92105). Meals are provided at no cost to individuals age 60 and over; however, contributions are accepted. There is a \$4 fee for those under 60 years of age.

### **Sensory Room**

Sensory room reservations are available Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm, Tuesdays and Fridays from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm, and Saturdays from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm. Must have an assessment and orientation prior to use. Call (619) 525-8247 for more information. Room limitation may apply.

### **Computer Lab**

There are 5 desktop computers at Park de la Cruz available for the public. The computers are available when the community center is open, except during scheduled technology classes and Digital Navigator (see page 20). For more information, call (619) 525-8247.

### PDLC Gymnasium Open Play Sports Pickleball

Tuesdays | 12:30 - 2:00 pm Thursdays | 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

COST: FREE CODE: 111383

**Futsal** 

Thursdays | 5:45 - 8:30 pm

COST: FREE CODE: 110862

For gymnasium program information, visit the Gym website (listed above) or call (619) 516-3141.

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### **DANCES**



### **Holiday Dance**

December 16 | 5:30 - 8:30 pm Led by Taylor

Jingle Bell Rock your way to our annual 'Holiday Dance at Park de la Cruz Gymnasium. Cost includes dance admission, refreshments, and DJ entertainment. You must be 18 years or older to attend. Direct supervision is not provided for this event. Register online by December 11th. Call (619) 525-8247 for registration assistance.

COST: \$5 **CODE: 109765** 

### Valentine's Dance February 10 | 5:30 - 8:30 pm Led by Taylor

Come boogie your hearts out at our annual Valentine's Dance at Park de la Cruz Gymnasium. Cost includes admission, refreshments, and DJ entertainment. **Direct** supervision will not be provided for this event. Must be 18 years or older to attend. Register online by February 7th. Call (619) 525-8247 for registration assistance.

COST: \$5

CODE: 111139



All codes are directly linked to SDRecConnect.com, so click the code to sign up.

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## **SPECIAL EVENTS**

### **Holiday Fair**

December 8 | 10:00 am - 1:00 pm **Led by Taylor** 

There's no place like TRS for the holidays.
Gather your friends for an afternoon of games, crafts, and music at Park de la Cruz.
Lunch is not provided, bring a sack lunch.
No direct supervision provided. Must be 16 years or older to attend. RSVP by calling (619) 525-8247 or register online by Wednesday, December 6th.

COST: \$2 CODE: <u>109764</u>





### **Winter Carnival** December 9 | 11:30 am - 2:30 pm **Led by Haley**

Enjoy brunch (while supplies last) with us as we ring in the holiday spirit! We will have fun games and activities for everyone at Park de la Cruz. This is a family and friends event. No direct supervision provided. Please register by December 2nd.

COST: FREE CODE: 109823



## KBC/SMC/IND EVENTS & OUTINGS

These programs are for teens and adults with cognitive or developmental impairments. They are designed to increase leisure opportunities, community functioning, and build social skills through experiential opportunities within the community. **Register early**, **space is limited. Must have assessment on file. For ages 13 and older.** 

### **Holiday Shopping**

December 1 | 6:00 - 9:00 pm Led by Nick and Taylor

Get your shopping list ready! Come hang out with friends while you "shop 'til you drop"! After shopping, we will wrap presents together and enjoy dinner. Drop-off/pick-up at Mission Valley Mall in-between Nordstrom Rack and Tender Greens (1640 Camino Del Rio North, 92108). Bring money for gifts and a list. **Register using the code that is appropriate for your group (see pages 14-16).** 

Kick Back Club CODE: 109822

Ages 13-17

Social Motion Club CODE: 109824

Ages 18+

Independent Club CODE: 109824

Ages 21+ **COST: \$5** 

**Holiday Cookie Party** 

December 15 | 5:30 - 8:00 pm **Led by Taylor** 

It's that time of the year when the best cookies are made! We'll make holiday cookies to take home and share with your family. Dinner will be provided. Program takes place at Park de la Cruz. Register by December 12th using the code that is appropriate for your group (see pages 14-16).

Kick Back Club CODE: 111130

Ages 13-17

Social Motion Club CODE: 111167

Ages 18+

Independent Club CODE: 111744

Ages 21+

COST: \$10



San Diego Gulls Hockey Game
January 13 | 5:00 - 9:00 pm
Led by Michael R. and Taylor

Cheer on the San Diego Gulls as they take on the Iowa Wild on "Country Night" with a bobble head give-away! Drop-off and pick-up at the plaza on 3340 Sports Arena Blvd., 92110. We will walk to the Arena from there. Please bring a debit/credit card to purchase food and drinks. NO CASH VENUE. Register using the code that is appropriate for your group (see pages 14-16).

Kick Back Club CODE: 111147

Ages 13-17

Social Motion Club CODE: 111026

Ages 18+

Independent Club CODE: 111745

Ages 21+

**COST: \$25** 

Big Bear Ski Trip

February 26 | 5:00 am - 8:00 pm **Led by Nick** 

CODE: 111167
Let's hit the slopes! Join us for our annual Big
Bear Ski Trip. Limited spots will be available for
adaptive skiers. For more information, please
email Nick Hurd at NHurd@sandiego.gov. Must

be 16 years or older to attend.

COST: TBD CODE: 111149

## Park de la Cruz Weekly Programs

3901 Landis Street, 92105. See program description for age.

### Zen Garden Club

Select Tuesdays | 10:30 - 11:30 am Led by TRS Staff

December 12 | January 9 | February 20

Come spend some time and unwind with us. This program will consist of using our garden space for various meditative and mindful activities. This program is for participants 13 years and older. No direct staff supervision.

COST: FREE CODE: 111006



### Virtual Reality (VR)

Tuesdays | 3:30-6:00 pm

### Led by Jon

Try out Virtual Reality (VR) for a variety of applications. Travel virtually to anywhere in the world, try a virtual spacewalk, roller coaster, or play some VR games! Perfect for anyone who is new to VR or is interested in trying new applications. This activity is for ages 13 and older. No direct staff supervision.

COST: FREE CODE: 111070

### Relax, Refresh, Rejuvenate

Select Wednesdays | 1:00 - 2:00 pm Led by Maria

January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 | February 7

Get relaxed and refreshed by enjoying meditation, light stretching, and breath work. Must be 16 years or older to participate. No direct staff supervision.

COST: FREE CODE: 111133

### Paint n' Sip

Select Wednesdays | 4:00 - 5:00 pm **Led by Lelaina** 

December 13, 27 | January 10, 24 February 7, 21

Enjoy a fun refreshment while you tap into your painting skills! For participants ages 13 and older. No direct staff supervision.

## **Learn to Play Pickleball**Thursdays | 8:45 - 10:00 am Led by Jon

Enjoy this fun, social and friendly game!
Whether you are a beginner or an experienced player, this activity is for you.
Program takes place at Park de la Cruz
Gymnasium. This program is for participants
18 years and older. No direct staff supervision.

COST: FREE CODE: 111068

### **Laugh Hour**

Thursdays | 11:00 am - 12:00 pm Volunteer Led by Alicia S.

Scientific studies show that laughter reduces pain, fights depression and more! All ages and families welcome. Zoom link will be sent to registered participants before program.

COST: FREE CODE: 107915

### **Green Thumb Club**

Select Thursdays | 11:00 am - 12:00 pm **Led by Haley** 

> December 7, 21 | January 4, 18 February 1, 15, 29

Learn about gardening techniques in the Green Thumb Club and then put what we learn into practice. This activity is for ages 3 years and older. No direct staff supervision provided. Parent/guardian must attend if participants are under 16 years of age.

COST: \$5 CODE: <u>111005</u>

## Park de la Cruz Weekly Programs

3901 Landis Street, 92105. See program description for age.

### **Self-Expression Through Art**

Fridays | 2:00 – 4:00 pm

Volunteer Led by Michael T., Joan and Ray

Express images hidden within, using paints, colored pencils, markers, or other media without judgement. This activity is for ages 18 and older. No staff supervision.

COST: FREE CODE: 107918

### **Sports Talk**

Fridays | 3:30 - 5:00 pm **Led by Michael R.** 

If you like sports, this program is for you! There will be various sports topics along with keeping up to date on current news.

Program is for individuals age 16 and older. No direct supervision provided. Attend either virtually or in-person. Zoom link will be sent to registered participants before program. No meeting on December 1st.

COST: FREE CODE: 111066

### **Walking Club**

Select Saturdays | 10:00 - 11:00 am **Led by Lelaina** 

January 13 | February 24

Start your day by strutting along a path for a morning walk! Meeting location will be announced week of program. This activity is for ages 16 and older. No direct supervision.

COST: FREE CODE: 111191

**Shake it up on Saturdays** Select Saturdays | 12:30 - 1:30 pm

Led by Maria

January 6, 20 | February 3, 24

Let's shake our way into the weekend! Learn new dances to improve coordination and practice team building skills. **Must be 13** years or older to attend. No direct supervision.

COST: FREE CODE: 111129

### **Strikeforce Bowling**

Select Saturdays | 9:30 –11:30 am **Led by Michael R.** 

February 24 | March 9, 23 | April 6, 20 May 4, 18 | June 1, 15, 29 | July 13 (Banquet)

Calling all Strikeforce players! (Ages 16 & up) Join us for our 10-week bowling league adapted for all skill levels at Parkway Bowl (1280 Fletcher Parkway, 92020). Cost includes shoe rental, 2 games per date, and an awards banquet for team members (extra for guests). Individuals are welcome, we will place you on a team.

COST: \$85 CODE: <u>111065</u>

### **Community Service & Lunch**

January 27 | 10:30 am - 1:00 pm **Led by Alicia** 

Help make our neighborhood a more beautiful place and then enjoy lunch at a local eatery. **Bring money for lunch. For participants ages 13 and older. No direct staff supervision.** Must RSVP by January 24th.

COST: FREE CODE: 109761

### **Famous Artist Factory**

January 27 | 1:30 - 2:30 pm **Led by Alicia** 

Learn about a famous artist and then feel famous too when you create artwork that looks like theirs. For participants ages 13 and older. No direct staff supervision. Must RSVP by January 24th.

COST: \$5 CODE: <u>109762</u>



## KID ZONE (KZ)

Ages 3-12

### **Haley Marshall**

(619) 525-8248

HEMarshall@sandiego.gov

This group is designed to foster social skills, increase cognitive, physical, emotional, communicative, and creative abilities through play and recreation. First time participants must be accompanied by a parent/guardian and have an assessment on file prior to registering. Register early, space limited.

### **Playdays**

Have fun with games, crafts, art and more! Drop-off and pick-up at Park de la Cruz's back outdoor basketball court (3911 Landis Street, 92105). We encourage dressing up to fit the themes! Please register for one session per date (session A OR B). No day of registration. No cash accepted, card only.

> \*No December playday-see Winter Adventure

January 28 | Around the World Playday

Session A- 10:00 am - 12:30 pm

CODE: <u>110995</u>

Session B- 1:15 pm - 3:45 pm

CODE: 110996

February 25 | Pirate Playday

Session A- 10:00 am - 12:30 pm

CODE: <u>110997</u>

Session B- 1:15 pm - 3:45 pm

COST: \$7 per playday



### **Little Sprouts & Blooms**

**KZ** Family Gardening Select Saturdays | 11:00 am - 12:30 pm Led by Lelaina

December 2 | January 6 | February 3

Get ready for some family gardening fun in our Therapeutic Garden! This is a nonsupervised activity. Parents/guardians are required to attend. Please bring your own lunch to enjoy in the garden! Program takes place at Park de la Cruz.

COST: \$5 for the quarter CODE: 111193

### Winter Adventure Day 1-Birch Aquarium

December 20 | 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Kick off winter break with a trolley ride to visit The Birch Aquarium! Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a lunch. Drop-off CODE: 110998 and pick-up at Washington Square (2767 San Diego Ave, San Diego, 92110) within Old Town.

> COST: \$20 CODE: 110999

### Day 2-San Diego Zoo

December 22 | 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Bring out your wild side! Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring sunscreen and a lunch. Drop-off and pick-up at the big lion statue outside the zoo entrance (2920 Zoo Dr., 92101).

COST: \$30 (no zoo pass) **CODE: 111000** 

**COST: \$15 (zoo pass) CODE: 111509** 

## KIDS' OUTINGS

Ages 3-12

**Haley Marshall** 

### **Disney on Ice**

January 20 | 6:00 - 9:30 pm

Get ready to watch your favorite Disney characters come to life on the ice! This is a family and friends' event that will not be staffed. When registering your child, select how many total seats you would like for accompanying adults/siblings. Tickets will be emailed to those registered ahead of time. We encourage you to eat before the show (no food can be brought into the arena), or food can be purchased at the arena with credit card only. Tickets are limited.

Save the date: Spring Adventure

Registration begins February 10th

Day 1: April 3rd Day 2: April 10th

COST: \$30

See page 8 for Special Event programs.

**Mesa Rim Climbing**February 10 | 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Reach new heights with Kid Zone! Please bring a sack lunch and wear comfortable clothes. Drop off and pick-up at Mesa Rim Mission Valley (405 Camino del Rio S, 92116).

COST: \$30 CODE: <u>111004</u>





CODE: 111002

## KICK BACK CLUB (KBC)

## Ages 13-17

**Taylor Askil** 

(619) 236-7771

TAskil@sandiego.gov

This group for teens is designed to foster social skills, increase leisure opportunities, and create friendships in an age-appropriate environment, while enhancing developmental needs. Register early, space is limited. Must have an assessment on file.

See pages 7-11 for many more opportunities that include special events, dances, outings, and weekly programs.

### **Meetings**

We will have games, crafts, and more! Meetings are held at Park de la Cruz Community Center (3901 Landis Street, 92105). **No cash accepted, card only.**5:30 - 8:00 pm

\*No December-see Holiday Cookie Party
Details on page 9.

January 12 | Marvel vs. DC

CODE: 111142

February 9 | Around the World

CODE: <u>111143</u>

**COST: \$10 per meeting** 



### Winter Break Zoo Outing

December 21 | 2:00 - 7:00 pm

Get ready to enjoy the holiday lights and see some cool animals! Bring a sack lunch and wear your sunscreen. Drop-off and pick-up at the lion statue at the zoo entrance (2920 Zoo Dr., 92101).

COST: \$30 (no zoo pass) \$15 (zoo pass) CODE: <u>111144</u>

CODE: 111743



### **Mission Trails Hike**

February 17 | 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Learn about various animals and natural habitats in San Diego. Wear comfortable clothes and closed-toed shoes. Bring a sack lunch and water. Drop-off and pick-up at Mission Trails Visitor Center (1 Father Junipero Serra Trail, 92119).

COST: \$5 CODE: <u>111146</u>



## SOCIAL MOTION CLUB (SMC)

## **Ages 18+**

This group is for adults with a cognitive impairment. It is designed to increase leisure independence, community functioning and build social skills through experiential opportunities within the community and at recreation centers. **Register early, space is limited. Must have an assessment on file prior to attending.** 

See pages 7-11 for many more opportunities that include special events, dances, outings, and weekly programs.

### **Recreation Nights**

Good people, games and more! Dinner provided. RSVP by the Wednesday before program. No cash accepted, card only.

5:30 - 8:00 pm

### Central

### Led by Michael

Park de la Cruz (3901 Landis Street, 92105)

\*No December - see page 9 for Cookie Party

| January 5 | Breakfast for Dinner Night

**CODE: 111016** 

February 2 | Paint and Sip Night

COST: \$10 per meeting CODE: 111017

### South

### **Led by Sharon**

Montgomery-Waller 3020 Coronado Ave., 92154

\*No December - see page 9 for Cookie Party

January 19 | Breakfast for Dinner Night

CODE: <u>111188</u>

February 16 | Paint and Sip Night

COST: \$10 per meeting CODE: 111189

### North

### Led by Nick

Cathy Hopper (4425 Bannock Ave., 92117)

\*No December - see page 9 for Cookie Party

January 26 | Breakfast for Dinner Night

**CODE: 111160** 

February 23 | Paint and Sip Night

COST: \$10 per meeting CODE: <u>111161</u>



### **Mission Trails Hike**

February 17 | 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

### Led by Sharon

Learn about various animals and natural habitats in San Diego! Wear comfortable clothes and closed-toed shoes. Bring a sack lunch and water. Drop-off and pick-up at Mission Trails Visitor Center (1 Father Junipero Serra Trail, 92119).

COST: \$5 CODE: <u>111031</u>



## INDEPENDENT CLUB (IND) Ages 21+

**Michael Rodriguez** 

(619) 236-7755

MichaelR@sandiego.gov

This club is for **independent adults with cognitive impairments**. It is designed to promote independence as members plan their own leisure activities, develop money skills, socialize appropriately, and utilize the "buddy system" on outings. **Minimal staffing is provided. Register early, space is limited. Must have an assessment on file.** 

See pages 7-11 for many more opportunities that include special events, dances, outings, and weekly programs.

### **Meetings**

MUST register at least 5 days before program! **No cash accepted, card only.** (Club Members Only). Those wishing to attend these programs MUST be independent, able to utilize the buddy system, AND be pre-approved by a TRS supervisor.

If you are a new member, please set up an interview appointment prior to meeting by calling (619) 525-8247.

5:30 - 8:00 pm

\*No December - See page 9 for Cookie Party

**January 5 | Election Night** 

CODE: <u>111020</u>

February 2 | Bob Ross Paint Night

CODE: <u>111021</u>

COST: \$10 per meeting





## National Comedy Theatre

February 17 | 6:00 - 9:30 pm

Based on audience suggestions, the cast of the National Comedy Theatre creates a comedy show from scratch. Meet at El Indio Mexican Restaurant and bring money for dinner (3695 India St, 92103). Cost includes comedy show.

COST: \$20 CODE: <u>111046</u>

#### **Snack Bar Punch Card**

Park de la Cruz will no longer be accepting cash for Independent Club snack bar purchases during club meetings. Please purchase a punch card at the front desk the day of meeting (credit card only), or in advance online.

COST: \$5 per card CODE: <u>110799</u>

## LEISURE SEEKERS (LS)

**Ages 18+** 

**Sharon Moninger** 

(619) 236-7753

SMoninger@sandiego.gov

This group is for independent adults recovering from a mental or behavioral health diagnosis. It is designed to increase socialization, self-esteem, and leisure skills through recreation opportunities and education. **Direct supervision is not provided. Register early, space limited. Must have an assessment on file prior to attending.** 

See pages 7-8 and 10-11 for more opportunities, as well as page 3 for scholarship information.

### **Social Connection**

This is a wonderful opportunity to make new friends and socialize. Socials are held at Park de la Cruz. Activities and food are provided.

Must RSVP by the Tuesday before program date. No cash accepted, card only.

2:00 - 4:30 pm

December 7 | Deck the Halls

CODE: <u>111181</u>

January 4 | Hello 2024!

CODE: 111182

February 1 | Hollywood Red Carpet

CODE: 111183

COST: \$5 per meeting

### **A Christmas Carol**

December 27 | 10:30 am - 1:30 pm

Enjoy the holiday classic adapted from Charles Dickens's timeless tale of hope and redemption, full of music for a unique storytelling experience. We will be attending the sensory friendly performance. Meet at the Cygnet Theater in Old Town San Diego (4040 Twiggs Street, 92110).

COST: \$17 CODE: <u>111185</u>

### Artful Mind Volunteer Led by Jessica G.

Artful Mind is a nonprofit that provides free therapeutic art services to adults living with mental health challenges. The goal is to create, have fun, and add to your toolbox for healing. Art classes coming soon to Park de la Cruz.

### **Harbor Cruise**

January 25 | 11:30 am - 2:30 pm

The best way to see San Diego Bay is on Hornblower's two-hour Harbor Cruise! Meet at Hornblower's Ticket Booth (970 North Harbor Drive, 92101). Bring a sack lunch to enjoy before we board the ship at 12:15pm. Outside food and beverages are not allowed on the ship, but can be purchased on board with **credit card only**.

COST: \$21 CODE: <u>111184</u>

### **Archery**

February 22 | 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Join us for a morning of archery at Morley Field Archery Range (2221 Morley Field Drive, 92104). All equipment is provided. For more information call (619) 525-8247.

COST: FREE CODE: 111186

### **Leisure Seekers Hiking Club**

Select Wednesdays | 10:00 am - 12:00 pm December 20 | January 3, 17, 31 February 14, 28

Lace up those hiking boots as we explore some of San Diego's best walking trails. This group is for all ability levels. Wear closed-toed shoes, athletic attire, and bring water and snacks. Meeting location and route will be emailed to registered participants the tweek of program.

COST: FREE CODE: 111187

## ADAPTIVE SPORTS (ADP)

Ages 8+

Nick Hurd

(619) 236-7772

NHurd@sandiego.gov

Programs are designed for individuals with physical disabilities, to promote health & fitness by working on increasing endurance, upper body strength, mobility skills, & leisure independence in a recreation environment. Register early, space is limited.

See pages 7-8 and 10-11 for more opportunities, as well as page 3 for scholarship information.

### Big Bear Ski Trip

February 26 | 5:00 am - 8:00 pm

Let's hit the slopes! Join us for our annual Big Bear Ski Trip. Limited spots will be available for adaptive skiers. For more information, please email Nick Hurd at NHurd@sandiego.gov.

Must be 16 years or older to attend.

COST: TBD CODE: 111149 COST: FREE

### Wheelchair Dance Wednesdays | 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Volunteer Led by Jason and Karma

Here's your chance to learn Ballroom and Latin dance. Wheelchair Dancers Org. (WDO) brings you the best in inclusive dance whether you roll or walk. Meet at Park de la Cruz Gymnasium. All abilities and levels welcome! More classes & workshops at www.wdoinclusivedance.org. No direct staff supervision. Program begins January 3.

COST: FREE CODE: 111073





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## ADAPTIVE SPORTS (ADP) Ages 8+

### Wheelchair Basketball Open Gym

Wednesdays | 5:30 - 8:30 pm Select Saturdays | 1:00 - 5:00 pm

**Volunteer Led by JT (Roll to Success)** 

This recreational wheelchair basketball program is designed for participants ages 8 and older with physical disabilities at Park de la Cruz Gymnasium. This program will teach fundamentals and skills and drills of playing wheelchair basketball. The program is suitable from beginner players to advanced players. Please email Nhurd@sandiego.gov two days prior to attending if you will need to borrow a sports wheelchair.

COST: Free CODE: 111148

### **Adaptive Archery**

Select Thursdays | 1:00 - 3:00 pm December 7, 14, 21 | January 4

Join us at Park de la Cruz Gymnasium for our Adaptive Sport Archery program. Equipment will be provided once you register. Space is limited, you must register and pay for this program before attending.

COST: \$5 CODE: <u>111157</u>

Intro to Adaptive Fishing/Casting
Select Thursdays | 1:00 - 3:00 pm
January 25 | February 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Join us at Park de la Cruz Gymnasium for our Adaptive Sport Intro to Fishing/Casting program. Equipment will be provided once you register. Space is limited, you must register and pay for this program before attending. For more information, please email Nick at Nhurd@sandiego.gov.

COST: \$5 CODE: <u>111158</u>

### Handcycling

Select Saturdays | 11:00 am - 1:30 pm

January 6, 20 | February 3, 17

Handcycling is a fun way to meet people and explore San Diego, while building strength and endurance. Locations sent to registered participants before program date. Look for the City of San Diego truck, with the wooden gates, as sometimes the set-up area changes.

## CVA/TBI GROUP

Programs are designed for individuals recovering from brain attacks (stroke, brain injury or illness). Programs are provided by TRS in conjunction with SDRI Comebackers Neuro Club, Sharp YESS group, and the San Diego Brain Injury Foundation.

### **Bowling**

January 26 | 11:00 am - 1:30 pm **Led by Alicia B.** 

Put on a pair of bowling shoes and meet us at Parkway Bowl (1280 Fletcher Parkway, El Cajon, CA 92020) for some fun. Cost includes shoe rental and 2 games of bowling. Bring a sack lunch or bring money to purchase food. Must register by January 19th.

COST: \$7 CODE: <u>111220</u>

### SD Mission Tour February 23 | 10:30 am - 1:30 pm Led by Alicia B. and Jon

Learn about San Diego History during our tour of the San Diego Mission (10818 San Diego Mission Rd). The tour is free, donations welcomed. After, meet at Filippi's Pizza Grotto (10330 Friars Rd, 92120) to enjoy lunch together. **Bring money to purchase lunch**. Please register by February 15th.

COST: FREE CODE: <u>111221</u>

## Co-Sponsored Programs & Events

### **SPORTS for Exceptional Athletes Volunteer Led by S4EA Coaches**

S4EA is a sports program serving athletes with developmental disabilities. A \$20 donation per season to S4EA is requested. For more information contact Walter Jackson at (858) 565-7432 or Sds4ea@gmail.com.

### Park de la Cruz-Basketball & Winter **Sports**

Mondays | 5:30 - 8:30 pm January 8 - March 11

Ages 5- adults

CODE: 111442

### Kearny Mesa – Junior Basketball

Thursdays | 4:00 - 5:30 pm January 11 - March 14 Ages 5-18.

CODE: 111443



### **Strength Training**

Mondays | 8:30 - 9:30 am Wednesdays | 8:30 - 9:30 am

### Volunteer Led- RT (Wounded Warriors)

Class offers adaptable and customizable functional movement-based exercises to meet individual needs. Includes dynamic warm-up, body weight, resistance band, kettle bell, and core exercises in combination with cardiovascular activities. Program is for Service Member (active-duty or veterans) and will meet at Park de la Cruz Fitness Center.

**Drop-In Program** 

### **Deaf Seniors Club**

Wednesdays | 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Volunteer Led by Richard and Cheryl

This club is for seniors who are deaf or hard of hearing. Meet at Park de la Cruz (3901 Landis St., 92105) for social and recreational activities. A \$4 donation is requested by the Deaf Seniors Club. American Sign Language (ASL) is primarily used. Bring a sack lunch or see page 6 for Serving Seniors. Text only (619) 249-2558 or VP (video phone) (619) 357-4536 for more information.

**Drop-In Program** 

### Access 4 All – Technology Program

Mondays | 9:30 am - 12:00 pm Wednesdays | 9:30 am - 12:00 pm

### **Volunteer Led by SDFF Staff at PDLC**

Free technology program led by San Diego Futures Foundation (SDFF) staff. SDFF conduct trainings, Q&A, and provide information on how to purchase low-cost devices to individuals who qualify. For independent participants age 60 years or older. Call (619) 525-8247 for information.

**COST: FREE CODE: 110973** 

### **Digital Navigators**

Tuesdays | 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Thursdays | 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

#### Volunteer Led at PDLC

Trained staff provide one on one instruction with basic technical support, assistance using online programs to access education, work, telehealth, government services, and more. They also assist with enrollment into programs that offer free or low cost devices and affordable internet. Call (619) 525-8247 for more information.

**Drop-In Program** 

## BEACH WHEELCHAIR PROGRAM

Take a free ride on our power-driven beach chairs located at Mission Beach. This program is available to individuals with mobility impairments or those otherwise unable to walk unaided on the beach. Reservations recommended. Go to:

<u>www.sandiego.gov/park-and-recreation/activities/trs</u> and select "Beach Accessibility and Wheelchair Program" to find other beach accessible locations in San Diego.

### **Hours of Operation\***

Closed January- February

March- April/November- December
Friday, Saturday, Sunday 11:30 am-3:30 pm

### May-October

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 11:30 am-4:30 pm Saturday, Sunday 11:30 am-5:30 pm



\*Hours subject to change, due to weather and staff availability.

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## **INCLUSION CORNER**

## Inclusion Support We can all Play Together

The City of San Diego, Parks and Recreation Department is committed to offering activities that include ALL individuals. Call your local recreation center to see what activities are offered. If your child has special needs and you would like to request inclusion assistance, call (619) 525-8247 (minimum of three weeks notice). Requests are processed in the order that they are received and according to staff availability. An assessment will be required.

sandiego.gov/park-and-recreation/activities







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## Disabled Services Advisory Council (DSAC) Therapeutic Recreation & AgeWell Services' Group (TR & AWS)



DSAC meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month (excluding July and August) at 6:00 pm at Park de la Cruz (3901 Landis St., 92105). DSAC is a non-profit advisory organization to the TR & AWS Group. Their purpose is to offer support and promotion of quality activities,

provide public relations and fundraising/scholarship support. The board is made up of volunteer members from various agencies that serve persons with disabilities, parents, businesspersons, advocates, and other interested individuals. www.dsacsd.org

The TR & AWS group meets quarterly on the 2nd Wednesdays immediately following (approximately 6:30 pm) the September, December, March and June DSAC meetings. The role of the TR & AWS group is to make recommendations to City Council, the Parks and Recreation Department, with respect to recreation programs and services for individuals with disabilities and older adults, in addition to providing recommendations on expenditures of TR & AWS Recreation Center Funds.

### **DONATIONS**

Therapeutic Recreation Services, in conjunction with Disabled Services Advisory Council, sends their biggest thanks to all the individual and agency donors. Thanks to this financial assistance, we are able to provide quality programming to enrich the lives of those with disabilities. The following agencies contributed to the success of Fall and Winter events.











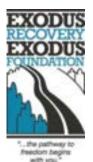












Please contact Kristi Fenick at kfenick@sandiego.gov or (619) 525-8247 for sponsorship and/or donation inquiries.

## EASY WAYS TO DONATE

### GoFund Me



Donations received through GoFundMe will be used to purchase recreation equipment. Please help with sharing the link, and telling your friends & family to get involved!

https://gofund.me/2ef2e56c

### Ralphs & Food4Less Fundraiser

Sign up online and every time you shop, a percentage of your purchase will be donated to DSAC. These rewards can be used for your fuel purchases too!

To add your community rewards program:

- 1.Log into <a href="https://www.food4less.com">www.food4less.com</a> or <a href="https://www.ralphs.com">www.ralphs.com</a> and click "sign in"
- 2.Enter your email address and password, then click on "my account" in the top right-hand corner
- 3. Link your card to your organization by clicking on:
  - a. Community rewards
  - b. Edit community rewards program & follow the instructions
  - c. Click the circle to the left of your organizations name

**Disabled Services Advisory Council** 



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## **Community Events & Programs**

The following organizations provide additional recreation and leisure opportunities for all. Don't miss these great events.

### Civic Dance...You Can Dance!

Since 1942, The Civic Dance Arts program of the San Diego Parks and Recreation Department has been offering high quality, affordable dance lessons to individuals of all ages and abilities. For more information call the Dance office at (619) 235-5255 or visit www.civicdancearts.org.

If you are in need of inclusion support for classes, please see page 22. Winter registration begins December 9th at 10 am. Classes begin the week of January 8th.

Classes at Park de la Cruz (3901 Landis Street, 92105) are scheduled for Tuesdays from 4:45 - 7:00 pm. Classes include: Pre-Ballet, Beg Ballet 1A, Beg/Adv Beg Ballet 1B/2A, Pre Hip Hop and Beg Tap 1A.

### **Stars Acting Workshop**

Summer Golden | (619) 647-4958 **zgolden1@cox.net** 

STARS is a GB Productions' theater arts program for adults with disabilities. They offer four separate groups, meeting each week to learn and practice acting, directing and other theater skills. Call or e-mail for more information.

### www.northparkvaudeville.com

### **Cygnet Theatre**

Carlos Mendoza | (619) 574-0059

Cygnet Theatre is pleased to present a Sensory-friendly performance of A Christmas Carol on December 27, 2023 at 10:00 am. Sensory-friendly performances are designed to create a welcoming and comfortable arts experience for people with autism, sensory sensitivities, or other social, learning, or cognitive disabilities. Visit their website for more information.

www.cygnettheatre.com

### **Infant/Toddler Brain Dance Class**

Thursdays | 10:00 am - 12:00 pm September 7 - January 25 January 31 - June 8

Class includes music-based movement and dance, rhymes and signing. This course meets at Park de la Cruz (3901 Landis St., 92105) and will explore how physical activity supports cognitive learning and social-emotional development in children 0-23 months old. Using multi-sensory props and instruments, students will experience how music and movement promote and sustain early development patterns necessary for building a strong foundation between body and brain. Register at <u>San Diego College of Continuing Education</u>. E-mail mschaude@sdccd.edu for questions.

### **SoCal Special Olympics**

Lynne Allen | (619) 704-3343

We enrich the lives of almost 3,000 athletes with and without intellectual disabilities through sports, education and health. Athletes have the opportunity to participate in athletics, basketball, bocce, flag football, and swimming. Visit the website to sign up and learn more.

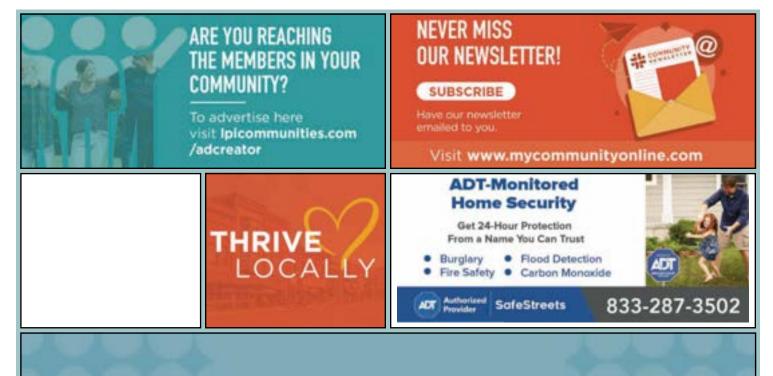
### www.sosc.org/sandiego

## St. Madeleine Sophie's Center (619) 442-5129

St. Madeleine Sophie's Center educates and empowers individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities to realize their full potential. They specialize in Adaptive Computer Training, Aquatics, Culinary Arts, Linguistics, Garden and Sophie's Gallery. Visit their website for more information and upcoming events such as 'Gotta Have Heart' and 'Morning Glory Brunch'.

www.stmsc.org

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