

Broad Street Arts & Senior Center Frequently Asked Questions

1. Will the Broad Street Arts and Senior Center be renamed?

Yes! This is only a placeholder. Stay tuned for an announcement on the center's official name in the near future.

2. When will the new facility open?

Construction on the new facility is slated to begin in Spring 2023, with an anticipated opening in Fall 2024. We recognize that the holidays are the busiest time for the Golden Hobby Shop, and we are doing everything we can to be up and running in advance of the holiday season. Due to the time required for plantings to establish, the park may not open to the public until Spring 2025.

3. How will seniors be served by the programming at the new facility?

The first and primary focus is to house many of the Martin Janis programs and the Golden Hobby Shop, as well as additional senior and adult programming.

4. How will security be maintained at the site?

There are a number of security features included in the design of the new campus, including:

- Comprehensive lighting throughout the campus.
- Internal and external security cameras.
- A public announcement system throughout the building and in each classroom, and staffed front desk with direct visibility of the parking lot and main corridors.

Columbus Recreation and Parks has rigorous security protocols in place that are regularly reviewed, and staff complete training on these protocols each year. Columbus Recreation and Parks is also in discussions with the Columbus Department of Public Utilities on plans to also improve the street lighting in the surrounding neighborhood.

5. How many parking spaces will be on site?

The site has 100 parking spaces, as currently designed.

6. Will there be ventilation systems in the woodshop?

Yes. As a result of our conversations with the public and the current and future users of these spaces, each classroom will include special equipment, furniture, and systems that are specifically designed to enhance the experience in each setting. Please see the Aug. 18 public meeting presentation for more information.

7. Will busses fit in the parking lot?

Yes, the parking lot and campus have been designed to accommodate busses. The busses will be able to drop off at a covered entryway for easy unloading right at the front door.

8. What are the hours?

Exact hours will be determined closer to opening, and may vary depending on the day, but we are currently considering 7 a.m. – 8 p.m. for our standard operating hours.