



RISE TOGETHER - JUNE 13, 2023

SPOTLIGHT ON DE&I

CITY OF COLUMBUS AND JUNETEENTH

On June 19, 2020, Mayor Andrew J. Ginther signed a proclamation officially recognizing June 19 as Juneteenth at the city government level. Just under a year later, on June 17, 2021, [Mayor Ginther announced](#) that Juneteenth would become an official, paid holiday for all full-time City of Columbus employees beginning in June 2022.

Last year, all City employees were given an additional paid holiday to use at their discretion and in coordination with their supervisors. This year, the City is closed June 19 in observance of the holiday. As you enjoy having the day off on June 19, take some time to reflect on the origin of Juneteenth, the background of which you can find below.

ONGOING AND UPCOMING CELEBRATIONS

- **Pride Month-June:** A month dedicated to honoring the movement for LGBTQ+ rights and celebrating the LGBTQ+ culture and community. It began after the Stonewall riots, a series of gay liberation protests in 1969, and has since spread outside of the United States.
- **Caribbean-American Heritage Month-June:** Celebrates the achievements and contributions of Caribbean immigrants and their descendants living in the United States.
- **Juneteenth-June 19:** Commemorates the emancipation of enslaved African Americans. The name comes from combining “June” and “nineteenth.” It is celebrated on the anniversary of the order, issued on June 19, 1865, proclaiming freedom for slaves in Texas.

CULTURAL CELEBRATIONS AROUND TOWN

- [Stonewall Columbus Pride Festival & Resource Fair](#) at Goodale Park (120 W Goodale St.) – June 16, 1-7 p.m.
- [Stonewall Columbus Pride March](#) at Broad St. and High St. – June 17, 10:30 a.m.
- [Juneteenth Ohio Festival](#) at Genoa Park (303 W Broad St.) – June 17-18, 12-11 p.m.
- [Juneteenth - Jubilee Day Festival](#) at Ohio Village (800 East 17th Ave.) – June 18, 12-4 p.m.

WE NEED YOUR OPINION

English

Share your opinion with the DEI Committee by filling out this quick [online survey](#). Your input is valuable and it will help shape the committee's work.

Do you want to see the DEI Committee organize events? Let them know!

NEWS AND INFORMATION

CONNECTING WITH THE PAYROLL TEAM

The Human Resources Payroll Team has moved to the second floor at 1111. With this move, the next way to contact Payroll is by email at recparkshr2@gmail.com or by phone at 614-645 7537. Please make an appointment if you have questions or concerns. Timesheets and other payroll documents may still be dropped at the old location downstairs.

CHANGES TO BUILDING MANAGEMENT AT 1111

The City's Department of Finance and Management now manages the Jerry Hammond building. There are a few changes you should be aware of:

- Reservations for conference rooms will now go through Outlook, and Angus will no longer be used. If you've reserved a room for July 1 or later, you will need to resubmit the reservation through Outlook. Any room reservations for June 1-30 **do not** need to be resubmitted.
- Submit work order requests to Facilities Management via the Lucity Work Order System or by sending an email to Facilities@columbus.gov.

Badge requests should still go through Human Resources. If you need to request a new or replacement badge, please email recparkshr2@gmail.com.

6/15/2023

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28 ●	29 ●	30 ●	31 ●	1 ●	2 ●	3 ●
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18 ●	19 ●	20 ●	21 ●	22 ●	23 ●	24 ●
25 ●	26 ●	27 ●	28 ●	29 ●	30 ●	1 ●

April 25

All day

YOUTH SOCCER 23/24 LEAGUE REGISTRATION

All day

WATER IS LIFE EXHIBITION

All day

THE COLUMBUS CLASSIC PRESENTED BY WHITE CASTLE REGISTRATION

All day

MOBILE PRODUCE MARKETS

All day

OHIO STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

June 15 @ 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

RED HAT TRIP

June 15 @ 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

FREE MOBILE PRODUCE MARKET - TUTTLE

June 15 @ 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

FREE MOBILE PRODUCE MARKET - LINDEN

SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS!

What's your favorite department facility to visit?

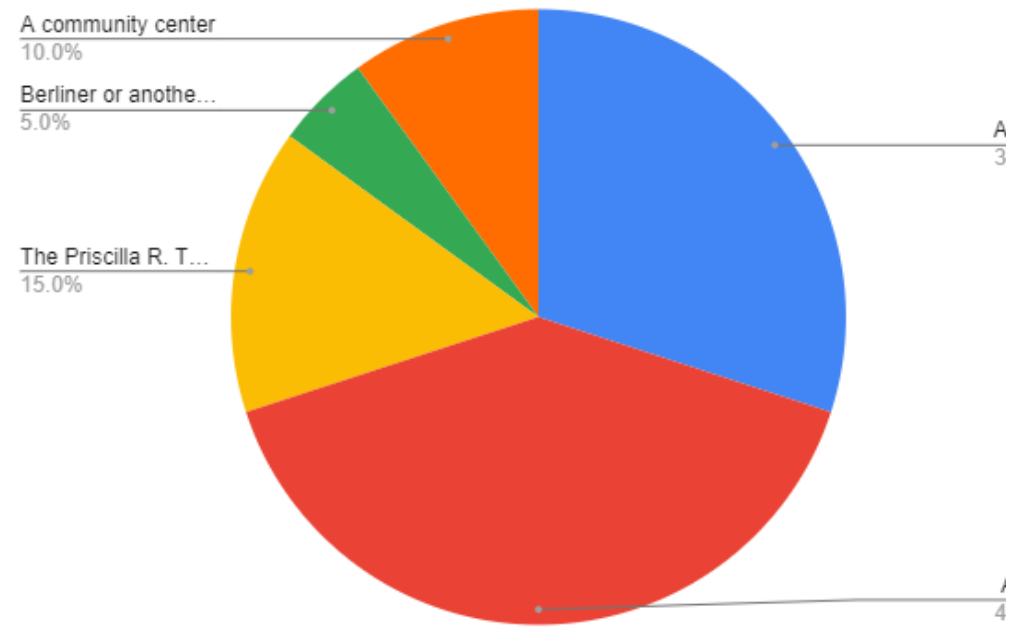
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Not shared

* Indicates required question

What's your favorite department facility to visit? *

- A pool
- A sprayground
- A park
- A trail
- A community center
- The Priscilla R. Tyson Cultural Arts Center
- Berliner or another sports facility



LEADERSHIP UPDATE

STAFF SPOTLIGHT

JACK MOUNTS



Section

Regional Manager, Park Maintenance

Length of Employment

18 years

What's your favorite aspect of Columbus Recreation and Parks?

Being able to see the public enjoy the work we do in our City parks and facilities.

What's your favorite project that you have worked on?

One of my favorite projects was a complete restructure of the Big Run maintenance zone a few years ago that split the zone into two different crews. Prior to restructuring, one crew was maintaining over 40 park locations. By restructuring and adding staff and equipment, we were able to improve the service frequency from 14 days down to eight days and provide a better quality of service to the residents in that area of town.

What is your favorite ice cream flavor?

Vanilla

What is your favorite book or movie?

Remember The Titans

What is one piece of advice you have?

Take pride in the work you do, be passionate about making a difference.

Nominate A Coworker for the Staff Spotlight

[Fill out this form to nominate a coworker.](#) They will be notified that they were nominated in order to answer spotlight questions.

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