



RISE TOGETHER - AUG. 1, 2023

SPOTLIGHT ON CONSERVATION

CREATING ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCATES: TEEN CONSERVATION CAMP

It takes everyone working together to protect our environment. That's why the department offers opportunities for residents of all ages to learn about why conservation is important, and how individuals can play a role in preserving, protecting and growing our natural environment.

One such activity is Teen Conservation Camp. The camp offers teens an opportunity to learn about conservation topics and engage in hands-on service learning projects. The teens learn and explore in the outdoors alongside their peers, give back to the community and grow as leaders. The camps have also included expert guests to lead hands-on activities. These guests have been from the Forestry section, the Conservation team and Columbus Department of Public Utilities' Watershed Management team. Campers recently visited Rush Run Nature Preserve, where they learned about our 20 nature preserves and how we recently completed management plans! The campers practiced their field work skills by observing and identifying trees, insects and birds.

[Learn more about the department's conservation efforts.](#)

NEWS AND INFORMATION

JOIN THE COLUMBUS RECREATION AND PARKS PASSION TEAM AT THE AFRICAN AMERICAN MALE WELLNESS WALK

8/7/2023

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English

Since 2004, [The African American Male Wellness Agency](#) has produced a 5K Walk & Run to raise awareness around the fact that Black men die on average 12 years earlier than their white counterparts, and encourage Black men to be proactive about their health. You can help raise awareness about this important topic by joining the Columbus Recreation and Parks' Passion Team and walk with your colleagues.

Our team plans to walk, and all fitness levels are welcome!

Date: Saturday, Aug. 12 at 9 a.m.

Location: Livingston Park, 760 East Livingston Ave., 43205

Race Day Timeline:

- **7 a.m.:** Registration, number pickup and health screenings begin
- **9:15 a.m.:** Line up at the start line
- **9:30 a.m.:** 5K begins

[Learn more and register](#) by Friday, Aug. 4.



August 7

All day

OUTDOOR SWIM LESSONS SESSION D - START

All day

YOUTH BASEBALL, SOFTBALL AND TEE BALL FALL LEAGUE REGISTRATION

All day

CONVERSATIONS ON CLIMATE CHANGE

All day

MIXED NUTZ SCREWBALL REGISTRATION

SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS!

What's an activity you want to do before the summer is over?

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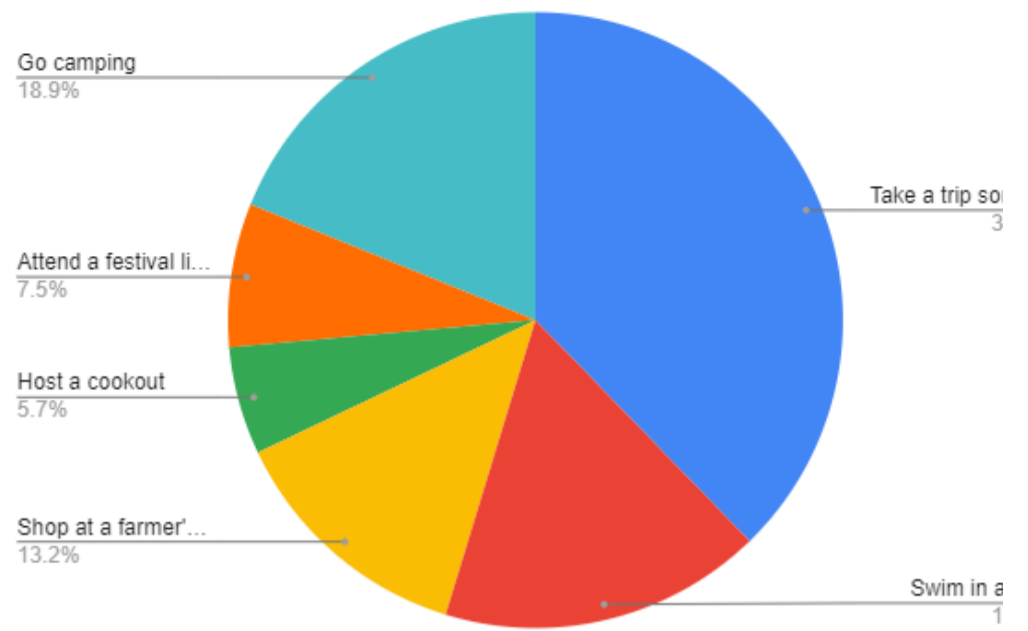
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What's an activity you want to do before the summer is over? *

- Swim in a pool
- Shop at a farmer's market
- Host a cookout
- Go camping
- Attend a festival like CBUS Soul Fest



LEADERSHIP UPDATE

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STAFF SPOTLIGHT

MARIA BUCCI

SHE/HER/HERS



Section

Conservation Team, Counselor at Camp Terra

Length of Employment

This is my first year working with Columbus Recreation and Parks.

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

My favorite aspect of working for the department is how inclusive the work environment always is!

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

My favorite project generally has been each week at summer camp — I especially love getting to take the campers to rock beach.

What is your favorite ice cream flavor?

Birthday cake

What is your favorite book or movie?

My favorite movie is Inception, my favorite book is The Book Thief.

What is one piece of advice you have?

The time flies by — make sure to enjoy it!

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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