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AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF THE
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
CITY OF NEEDLES, CALIFORNIA
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1111 BAILEY AVENUE, NEEDLES

MONDAY, MARCH 18, 4:00 PM

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**CALL TO ORDER
ROLL CALL
CORRESPONDENCE
INTRODUCTIONS**

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PRESENTATIONS

REGULAR ITEMS (A three minute time limit per person has been established per Municipal Code Section 2-18)

1. Complaint Against Coach - Parks and Recreation Commission Hearing (ACT)
2. Golf Stats, Recreation, Aquatics, and Jack Smith Park Reports (INF)

COMMISSION REQUESTS

MANAGER'S REPORT

Managers Reports - February 23, March 1, and March 8, 2024

ADJOURNMENT

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Posted: March 15, 2024

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City of Needles, California Request for City Council Action

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Meeting Date: March 18, 2024

Title: Complaint Against Coach Parks and Recreation Commission Hearing

Background: On October 19, 2023, there was an incident that occurred at the Youth Flag Football game which resulted in a complaint against Coach Jones.

As per our established protocol, the City of Needles takes any complaint against a youth sports coach very seriously. We believe in transparency, accountability, and fairness, and this process is designed to uphold these values. The Parks and Recreation Commission is responsible for addressing such matters.

Per Section H "Complaint Against a Coach Procedure" of the "Coaches Handbook" (attached), when the City of Needles receives a complaint about a youth sports coach it will:

1. Invite the coach to attend a meeting to address the complaint and to offer his/her side of the incident. **On Wednesday October 25, 2023 the City Manager and Recreation Manager met with the Coach.**
2. The Parks and Recreation commission will determine the severity of the situation and whether or not the affected coach has violated the expected behaviors outlined under each of the canons of the Code of Ethics Pledge contained within the Code of Conduct.
3. Upon majority vote, the Commission has the authority to enforce the appropriate range of disciplinary actions outlined in Section III D. The League Director is to report in brief, the nature of the complaint, the Commission findings, and the sanction applied to the coach.

Section C "Code of Conduct Enforcement" of the "Coaches Handbook" (attached) outlines:

1. When reviewing the complaint, the commission will consider and take into consideration various extenuating circumstance. The factors that will be considered are:
 - Factors that might suggest a more lenient sanction include:
 - First offense
 - Remorse
 - Apparent desire to reform
 - Other good coaching attributes
 - Dedication to youth sports

- Factors that might suggest a harsher sanction include:
 - Child endangerment
 - Violation of law
 - Prior complaints/review action
 - Lack of remorse
 - Number of ethics standards violated
 - Breach of duties as a role model
 - Extraordinarily poor judgment around children
2. The possible action the Commission is empowered to enforce. These actions may include, but are not limited to:
- WARNING TO AND/OR APOLOGY FROM THE COACH
 - PROBATION
 - ONE GAME SUSPENSION
 - MULTIPLE GAME SUSPENSIONS
 - SEASON SUSPENSION
 - PERMANENT REVOCATION OF CERTIFICATION

On November 1, 2023, City Staff was notified by the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department that the incident was referred to the San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office and is pending review. On February 12, 2024, the District Attorney rejected the case for lack of sufficient evidence. City Staff will now provide an opportunity for the Parks and Recreation Commission to hold a hearing.

Attachments:

- **Exhibit "A" Coaches Handbook**
- **Exhibit "B" Correspondence**
- **Exhibit "C" Dismissed Citation**

Recommended Action: Provide Staff Direction

City Management Review: Patrick J Martinez **Date:** 3/14/2024

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EXHIBIT "A"

City of Needles

Youth Sports

Handbook

Adopted 5/2018



Welcome

Welcome to the City of Needles Youth Sports programs! We sincerely hope that you will find your participation in our leagues to be rewarding and, most of all, a positive experience for all of the kids.

Youth sports programs present a unique opportunity for adults to help shape the life-long skills and attitudes about sports. We all remember coaches that stand out as good teachers, supportive friends, and positive role models.

This handbook was created to help ensure that our young people remember our programs as a positive experience in their life. We want them all to have fun as we continue to reinforce such values as teamwork, sportsmanship, fitness, cooperation and respect. While we recognize that competition is a key component of sports, our programs are designed to be about much more than winning a game, making an all-star team, or having an undefeated season.

We thank you for giving your time and energy to help Needles' kids. The success of the program depends on the commitment of parents, coaches, officials and others to cooperate in creating a positive experience for each player. This handbook creates the framework for that commitment.

Thanks again for your participation in our Youth Sports program. Please feel free to share your ideas for improvement with our Recreation Department staff.

The City of Needles' Recreation Division Mission Statement:

The Mission of the Needles Parks and Recreation Department is to enhance the quality of life for all residents of the community by striving to maintain a variety of programs, services and activities that increase the social, physical and cultural growth and development of our citizenry.

The following objectives are designed to fulfill
the Youth Sports Mission Statement:

- *To offer every participant the opportunity to learn the fundamental skills associated with each sport*
- *To emphasize the lifelong benefits of physical fitness and good sportsmanship, and to de-emphasize the importance of winning and losing*
- *To ensure a safe, drug-free atmosphere for games and practices*
- *To promote equal and fair treatment of every participant regardless of skill level, race, socioeconomic status, sex, creed, or physical ability*
- *To ensure all staff, volunteer coaches, and officials are adequately trained*
- *To expect and ensure good sportsmanship and fair play at all times*

Why is This Handbook Necessary?

This handbook was developed to formalize how the City of Needles youth sports leagues are conducted. With the many components and factors involved in the administration and implementation of the youth sports leagues, it is necessary to standardize the process in writing. More specifically, it is designed to:

- *Standardize the process in the way youth sports are conducted*
- *Explain how leagues are organized and conducted*
- *Define expectations of coaches, parents, players and officials*
- *Better train our coaches and officials. Ensure a positive experience for all participant*

I. YOUTH SPORTS PHILOSOPHY — The City of Needles youth sports programs are designed to provide children with the opportunity to experience sports in a structured, wholesome environment. Participation in athletics plays a valuable role in the development of our children. Aspects of teamwork, dedication, discipline, physical fitness, self-esteem and fair play all contribute to the overall growth and maturation of young people. It is our goal to conduct programs such as basketball, flag football and volleyball to accomplish these objectives.

■ To help implement this philosophy, the City of Needles has adopted standards dedicated to improving out-of-school youth sports by raising awareness through leadership, education and advocacy. The standards are as follows:

1. Proper Sports Environment — Parents must consider and carefully choose the proper sports environment for their child, including the appropriate age and development for participation, the type of sport, the rules of the sport, the age range of the participants, and the proper level of physical, social and educational well-being of children.
2. Programs based on the Well-Being of Children — Parents must select youth sports programs that are developed and organized to enhance the emotional, physical, social and educational well-being of children.
3. Drug, Tobacco & Alcohol-Free Environment — Parents must encourage a drug, tobacco and alcohol-free environment for their children.
4. Part of a Child's Life — Parents must recognize that youth sports are only a small part of a child's life.
5. Parent's Active Role — Parents must make a serious effort to take an active role in the youth sports experience of their child providing positive support as a spectator, coach, league administrator and/or caring parent.
6. Positive Role Models — Parents must be a positive role model, exhibiting sportsmanlike behavior at games, practices and home, while also giving positive reinforcement to their child and support of their child's coaches.
7. Parental Commitment — Parents must demonstrate their commitment to their child's youth sports experience by annually signing the Parent's Code of Ethics Pledge.
8. Safe Playing Equipment — Parents must insist on safe playing facilities, healthful playing situations and proper first aid applications, should the need arise.
9. Equal Play Opportunity — Parents, coaches, and league administrators must provide equal sports play opportunity for all youth regardless of race, creed, sex, economic status or ability.
10. Drug, Tobacco & Alcohol-Free Adults — Parents as coaches, fans and league administrators must be drug, tobacco and alcohol-free at youth league sporting events.

II. GENERAL LEAGUE PROCEDURES

a. Season Information:

- Basketball runs December through February (regular season), with tournament play in March.
- Pee Wee Basketball is conducted in July and August
- Pee Wee Soccer is conducted in September and October
- Volleyball runs September through October/November
- Football operates October through November
- The season lengths depend on the number of teams, but generally are 6 to 10 weeks long, (Pee Wee Basketball is the only exception). There are a maximum number of teams that each league can sustain due to facility and time constraints.
- The City of Needles youth sports leagues are divided by age and/or grade. The year of birth will determine eligibility. Divisions A, B and C are SCMAF guidelines. Combined Divisions and Pee Wee Divisions are modified to accommodate CITY OF NEEDLES league guidelines.
 - **Division A (7th & 8th grade) – Born in 2005 or 2006**
Players who are born in 2005 or 2006 and players born in 2004 and in a grade no higher than 8th are eligible.
 - **Division B (5th & 6th grades) – Born in 2007 or 2008**
Players who are born in 2007 or 2008 and players born in 2006 and in a grade no higher than 6th are eligible.
 - **Division C (3rd & 4th grades) – Born in 2009 or 2010**
Players who are born in 2009 or 2010 and players born in 2008 and in a grade no higher than 4th are eligible.
 - **Combined Division (3rd – 6th grades) – Born in 2007 - 2010 (Volleyball only)**
Players who are born in 2007, 2008, 2009 or 2010 and players born in 2006 and in a grade no higher than 6th are eligible.
 - **Pee Wee Age:** 6 – 7 year olds (Have not reached 8th birthday by July 1st)
 - **Jr. Pee Wee Age:** 3 – 5 year olds (Have not reached 6th birthday by July 1st)
- Boys and girls may play one division above their listed age division. Participants may play in only one Recreation division in a season.
- The CITY OF NEEDLES generally offers A, B and C Divisions in Basketball and C Divisions in Football.
- Players are not allowed to play up or down a division without approval by the CITY OF NEEDLES League Director.

b. Facilities – The CITY OF NEEDLES may secure facilities for practices and games, and will provide scheduled practice times for leagues using the gym. Additional parks, schools, and recreational facilities throughout the community may be used by coaches for additional practices. *Smoking is not allowed within 20 feet of main entrances, exits and operable windows of public buildings (California Government Code 7596-7598).*

- The locations of the facilities below are shown on a map in Appendix F
 - **Basketball** may use the CITY OF NEEDLES Recreation Center gymnasium for games and practices
 - **Football** may use Nikki Bunch Softball Field.

- *Volleyball* may use the CITY OF NEEDLES Recreation Center gymnasium for practice and games.
 - *Pee Wee Basketball* may use the CITY OF NEEDLES Recreation Center gymnasium for practice and games.
 - *Pee Wee Soccer* may use Duke Watkins Field for practice and games.
- c. **Practices** – The CITY OF NEEDLES allows two 1-hour practices each week for every team in its youth sports leagues. Practice schedules are posted weekly at 8:00 AM on Mondays. Practice times are reserved on a first-come first-serve basis.
- Coaches will be give a *Practice Record* sheet to document practice dates and times, and player attendance.
 - Players are to be excused from practices if there are parental requests for church, school, and other family activities. Any requests from parents will be noted on the Practice Record.
 - Practices are primarily held on week nights, but may be held on weekends and holidays.
- **Basketball** – *Scheduled* practices are held in CITY OF NEEDLES Recreation Center gymnasium. Each team is assigned half-court to use. Coaches may use the full court if it is available. All-star practices are all full-court and will be held in the CITY OF NEEDLES Recreation Center gymnasium.
 - **Football** – All practices are outdoors, and scheduled where space is available, including softball fields, soccer field and school fields. Space and availability must be worked out between football coaches and coaches of the other sports leagues.
 - **Volleyball** – *Scheduled* practices are held in CITY OF NEEDLES Recreation Center gymnasium. Each team is assigned half-court to use. Coaches will work together to practice full-court drills when two teams are represented.
 - **Pee Wee Basketball** - *Scheduled* practices are held in CITY OF NEEDLES Recreation Center gymnasium. Each team is assigned half-court to use. Coaches may use the full court if it is available.
- d. **Games**
- All games are generally scheduled weeknights, Monday through Thursday (Soccer games will be played on Saturdays). Occasionally, Friday night or Saturday games are necessary. In addition, teams may play double headers. Practices may be cancelled to allow for additional games.
 - Any game may be cancelled due to inclement weather or other reasons made by the CITY OF NEEDLES staff. Cancelled games may or may not be rescheduled due to time constraints, facility use conflicts, or other reasons.
 - All game schedules are created based on the number of teams with the intent to give each team approximately 8 to 10 games.
 - **Basketball** - Regular season Youth Basketball games will be played at CITY OF NEEDLES Recreation Center gymnasium. Needles Spring Classic Tournament Games will be played at CITY OF NEEDLES Recreation Center gymnasium and as needed, the Needles High School gymnasium, and the Fort Mohave Tribal gymnasium.
 - **Flag Football** games will be played on Nikki Bunch Softball Field.
 - **Volleyball** games will be played at the CITY OF NEEDLES Recreation Center gymnasium.

- *Pee Wee Basketball* games will be played at the CITY OF NEEDLES Recreation Center gymnasium.
 - *Pee Wee Soccer* games will be played at the Duke Watkins Field.
- e. **Uniforms** – All participants will receive a jersey to wear for the duration of the game and to be returned to the head score table immediately after the game.
- Parents are responsible for any other apparel or personal equipment required for the sport.
 - The jerseys are distributed by the coaches prior to the start of the game.
 - Jerseys are to be distributed by the size listed on the registration form.
- f. **Awards** – Each player will receive a participation medal at the end-of-season award ceremony. The CITY OF NEEDLES does not award trophies based on league standings. Trophies will be given to the 1st place teams in the end of season tournaments for Flag Football and Volleyball only.
- g. **Player Evaluation – Basketball and Flag Football:** The CITY OF NEEDLES will hold a player evaluation session for coaches to assess players' skill levels. All players will be encouraged to attend the session to help maintain equality between teams.
- Players are identified by numbers. These numbers are pinned to their shirts.
 - One half of the court/field will be used for skill demonstrations, while the remaining space will be used by CITY OF NEEDLES staff to organize players into groups.
 - CITY OF NEEDLES staff will give each group instructions to perform drills.
 - The coaches will receive a clipboard with evaluation sheets, and will be on the skill demonstration side. Players are to be evaluated on a scale from 1 to 5, with 1 being high skills and 5 being low skills.
 - Once a group is evaluated by all the coaches, the group is dismissed and the players may leave. Coaches will return their clipboard and evaluation sheets to staff at the conclusion of their division's evaluation, and may leave.
 - The scores from the evaluation sheets will be averaged and compiled by the CITY OF NEEDLES staff to create the pick sheets used for team selection.
- h. **Team Picks** – The CITY OF NEEDLES will hold a meeting for each division to select teams. Youth basketball teams can have a **maximum of 10 players** and youth flag football teams can have a **maximum of 12 players**. To ensure a high quality of instruction, the CITY OF NEEDLES will try to limit basketball teams to 7-8 players and flag football teams to 10-12 players.
- Head coaches will attend team picks. Assistant coaches will not be picked until after the draft. Players and parents are not part of the selection.
 - The picking order is determined by random number drawing. When picking order is established, each round will begin with #1 being allowed to pick first, then #2, #3, etc. This system is ongoing until all the rated players on the pick sheet have been selected.
 - Picking begins with the highest rated players and then in descending order (1, 2 ...5) order. The head coach automatically selects their own child. If the head coaches' child is in the current rating being picked, then they are the team's first pick for that rating. All same-division returning all-stars will be assigned the highest rating. All returning all-stars from the lower division go into the regular draft along with players of the same ranking.
 - Coaches that pick a player with a "sibling" must also select the player's sibling in their respective rating, and the coach will lose one pick in that ranking.
 - Players who do not attend player evaluations will not receive a rating before picks. Coaches will decide at the meeting a rating for each non-rated player from discussion. In the event of indecision CITY OF NEEDLES staff will determine ranking. The player will then be included in his or her rating group (this is done before the drawing for selection order is done).
 - Before picks begin, the CITY OF NEEDLES will provide the necessary information if a parent has requested that a child "not" be placed with a particular coach.
 - Coaches may not recruit their own players.
 - Teams may or may not have equal amount of players.

- Late signups will be placed on teams by the CITY OF NEEDLES until all rosters are full. Consideration will be given first to a team who has lost a player or less players than other teams. Team colors will be picked by coaches. If two coaches request the same color, then they will draw from a hat.
- i. **Coaches and Helpers** – Each team can have a maximum of two coaches.
 - A “helper” is an adult that is not a coach. Helpers are not to be considered as coaches, do not sit on the team bench, call plays, or make any other coaching decisions.
 - If a coach is no longer able to coach and a replacement is needed, then the CITY OF NEEDLES staff will find a replacement, and if necessary, designate a staff member temporarily.
- j. **Code of Ethics Pledge** – All coaches, parents, officials and players will be required to review, understand, and abide by a Code of Ethics. A signature is required on the appropriate pledge, except for participants. These pledges are attached to their respective forms.
 - The CITY OF NEEDLES prohibits the use of alcohol, illegal substances and/or tobacco by coaches, league administrators, game officials, parents, and staff at all youth sports events.
- k. **Inclusion** – Kids with disabilities are “children first and foremost” with the same dreams and aspirations as other kids. The only difference is that they happen to have a condition that may affect some of their abilities and skills.
 - Including all kids with disabilities in activities with their able-bodied peers is a concept and major guiding principle of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). This federal law provides an opportunity to truly welcome all children into youth sports.
 - The law requires reasonable accommodations to help a child participate and enjoy the benefits all kids get from participation in youth sports.
 - The CITY OF NEEDLES may change rules, policies and procedures, remove architectural, communication, and transportation barriers, and provide auxiliary aids and people to help accommodate kids with disabilities in its youth sports programs.
- l. **Discrimination** – The CITY OF NEEDLES adheres to Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 which prohibits discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, and national origin.
 - Other federal and state laws, such as the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, prohibit further types of discrimination or harassment.
- m. **Sponsors** – The CITY OF NEEDLES accepts sponsorships from businesses and organizations in or beyond Needles. These sponsorships help offset the overall expenses for the youth sports leagues. The sponsor fee per team is approved by the Recreation Commission and City Council and is subject to change.
 - When a business chooses to sponsor a team, they may select a particular team, or division.
 - Businesses that provide a sponsorship will have their business name displayed on a banner inside the gym, a game schedule, a roster of the team’s players, recognition in the local newspaper, and a “thank you” award.
- n. **Equipment** – The CITY OF NEEDLES will use high quality balls for games only, and will provide each coach a practice ball. Sizes vary by division. Flag football coaches will receive flags in addition to a practice ball. All equipment checked out to coaches must be returned at the end of the season.
 - Youth basketball ball sizes are as follows:
 - 30” Official A and B Division Boys
 - 28.5 Intermediate B Division Girls, C Division Boys & Girls
 - 27.5 Junior Pee Wee Coed
 - Youth flag football ball sizes are as follows:
 - Size 4 Intermediate/Youth B Division Coed
 - Size 3 Junior C Division Coed
- o. **Emergency Planning**

- Accidents/Injuries – In the event of an accident or injury at a game, a First Aid/CPR certified CITY OF NEEDLES staff will be on duty to administer basic First Aid or CPR if necessary. A first Aid kit will be available. Staff on duty will call 911 if necessary, inform the League Director, and complete an accident report.
 - Physical Conditions – At the time of registering for the league, information will be obtained from the parent or guardian about the participant's physical condition, physicians, and emergency contacts. Parents must list vital statistics about the child, including allergies, current medications, etc. A copy of this confidential information will be kept on file by the CITY OF NEEDLES.
 - Inclement Weather – In the event of inclement weather (lightning, snow, ice, rain, high winds, earthquakes, etc.) that may impede a youth sports league game, the CITY OF NEEDLES staff assigned to that activity shall contact the League Director immediately to make a decision on whether to cancel that activity or to continue. If the League Director cannot be reached, the CITY OF NEEDLES staff on duty shall make a decision based on the situation.
 - Other Occurrences – When other emergency situations occur at a CITY OF NEEDLES youth sports activity that is non weather related (for example: facility damage, power outage, bomb threats, fights), similar procedures will follow as used under inclement weather conditions. Depending on the situation, it may be necessary to call 911 or the Sheriff's Department dispatch at 760-326-9200, prior to contacting the League Director.
 - Emergency Vehicles – If a designated area for emergency vehicles does not currently exist at a facility where a youth sports activity is being conducted, the League Director will determine the best access. Traffic cones will be set up by the CITY OF NEEDLES staff as needed.
- p. **Transportation** –
- Participants not picked up on time – Coaches are expected to stay with players until they are picked up after a practice, game or any other activity related to the league.
 - Coaches are expected to call the parent or adult responsible for transportation when five minutes has elapsed past the schedule time of departure from the activity.
 - When ten minutes has elapsed, and the coach has either not been able to reach the parent or has determined that the parent will not arrive for another 20 minutes or longer, a phone call to the League Director will follow.
 - The League Director will make a decision regarding the best course of action. The cell number of the League Director is (760) 221-1220.
- q. **Child Abuse** - If maltreatment of a child is reasonably suspected, a report should be made with Child Protective Services (760) 326-0342 or 24-Hour Hotline at (800) 827-8724. If immediate assistance is required, call the Sheriff's dispatch number at (760) 326-9200 or 911 if there is an emergency.
- Before filing a report, it is important to speak with the League Director or League Coordinator.
 - There are four types of abuse to be aware of:
 1. **Emotional** – This is a pattern of behavior that attacks a child's emotional development and sense of self worth. Examples include: constant criticizing, belittling, insulting, rejection and providing no love, guidance or support. Emotional abuse is sometimes referred to as verbal abuse or mental abuse.
 2. **Sexual** – This is the exploitation of a child for the sexual gratification of an adult. It may range from exhibitionism and fondling to intercourse or use of a child in the production of pornographic materials.
 3. **Physical** – This is non-accidental physical injury which is inflicted by another person and may include severe beating, burns, human bites, strangulation, or immersion in scalding water, with bruises and welts, broken bones, scars or serious internal injuries resulting.
 4. **Neglect** – This is the withholding of, or failure to provide a child with the basic necessities of life: food, clothing, shelter, medical care, attention to hygiene, or supervision needed for optimal physical growth and development.
- r. **All-Stars** - The CITY OF NEEDLES will select all-star teams for C, B and A Divisions for boys and girls in youth basketball only. All teams will represent Needles in the Spring Classic Tournament sponsored by City of Needles Recreation and attend two/three additional All-Star tournaments.
- Basketball all-star competition is generally conducted in March.

- The CITY OF NEEDLES will support the all-star teams for participation in the listed tournaments. Support includes practice facilities, registration fees, uniforms and all required paperwork. Parents will be required to pay a one-time All-Star Player fee of \$25 for registration fee into one tournament listed. The CITY OF NEEDLES has jerseys available for all-star use, but must be returned after competition.
- All-star coaches may participate in additional tournaments, but the CITY OF NEEDLES is unable to provide trip funding or registration fees.
- The CITY OF NEEDLES prohibits league coaches from forming additional all-star teams consisting of league players to participate in any all-star tournament following the regular Basketball season (Dec – Mar). The CITY OF NEEDLES will select a second all-star team from the players not picked to participate in the Needles Spring Classic Tournament only if applicable.

1. Selection of All-star players -

- Coaches will receive an all-star player ballot two weeks prior to the end of the season. Each division will have a separate ballot with the names of all players listed on the ballot. Coaches may nominate any number of players from any team in their division, not to exceed ten players total. The ballot must be signed by the coach or their vote is invalid. This constitutes the FIRST BALLOT. (Note: The Recreation Staff will collectively cast one vote for a 10-person team on the first ballot only).
- An all-star selection meeting will be held for each division. The CITY OF NEEDLES requests all division coaches participate in all-star selection. An assistant coach may attend the selection meeting if the coach is unavailable.
- At the all-star selection meeting, and in the presence of all coaches, ballots will be collected and votes tallied and displayed for all to see. Coaches who cannot attend the meeting and will not have an assistant coach represent them, must turn their ballot in to the League Director or the League Coordinator prior to the meeting. Their vote will be cast on the FIRST BALLOT only.
- If ten all-stars are not selected on the first ballot, a second ballot will be given to all coaches present. This ballot must also be signed to be valid. This constitutes the SECOND BALLOT.
- If ten all-stars are not selected on the second ballot, another ballot will be given to all coaches present. This constitutes the THIRD AND FINAL BALLOT.
- If players are still locked in a tie following the third ballot, the final selection will be made by the League Director and League Coordinator.

2. Selection of All-star coaches -

Head Coaches who are interested in being selected as an All-Star Coach must put a letter of interest in to the Recreation Director no later than February 1st of that season. The Recreation Director will make a decision based on criteria in the coaching section under Code of Ethics and Conduct and their season performance. Then the Recreation Director will take his/her recommendation to the Park & Recreation Commission for final approval. A coach's letter of interest will only be accepted for the division (C/B/A & Boys/Girls) that they coached in for that season.

III. COACHES SECTION

a. Screening Process – All prospective coaches will be required to:

1. Be at least 18 years of age (or younger by approval of League Director).
2. Complete a youth sports coaches application
3. Pass a criminal background check and fingerprinted (California Department of Justice)
4. At a minimum, any person who is known to have been convicted of any of the offenses listed in group 'A', (see attachment A) warrants exclusion from being a volunteer in any City of Needles youth sports programs. Any offenses listed in group 'B', (see attachment A) may be appealed in front of the Park & Recreation Commission. This list of offenses is not intended to be an exhaustive list. The City of Needles Park & Recreation Commission may exclude any person from volunteering for any other offense that is deemed appropriately related to these issues.

b. Team Activities – A coach or assistant coach must be present at all team meetings, practices, games, and any other team activities, including team pictures. If a coach or an assistant cannot be present at any of the

aforementioned activities, he/she must notify the League Coordinator right away so alternative arrangements can be made.

- c. Code of Conduct Enforcement** – The CITY OF NEEDLES firmly believes that for the sports experience to be positive, safe and a learning experience for youth, volunteer coaches must be trained and held accountable for their behavior when working with and around children. Every CITY OF NEEDLES coach is required to sign and adhere to a Coaches' Code of Ethics Pledge. The Code of Conduct has been developed to help explain how each of the standards of the Code of Ethics should be manifested in the actions and behaviors of a volunteer coach.
- It is the duty of the CITY OF NEEDLES to respond to complaints lodged against a coach that has allegedly violated the Code of Ethics. This is accomplished by submitting the complaint to the Parks and Recreation commission for the purpose of hearing complaints and determining what, if any, action should be taken towards correcting the coach's behavior.
 - Suggested committee members may include the Chapter Director, members (s) of the Recreation Commission (that are not involved in the same league as the coach in question), League Director, League Coordinator, coaches or chapter directors from a totally different community that understand the Code of Ethics. Again, impartiality is essential when selecting the review committee.
 - In order to provide the Park and Recreation commission the flexibility to take appropriate action when an coach is found to have violated the Coaches' Code of Ethics, a range of possible commission actions has been developed to accompany the Code of Conduct.
 - Possible actions include:
 - WARNING TO AND/OR APOLOGY FROM THE COACH
 - PROBATION
 - ONE GAME SUSPENSION
 - MULTIPLE GAME SUSPENSIONS
 - SEASON SUSPENSION
 - PERMANENT REVOCATION OF CERTIFICATION
 - The specific response of the commission may include terms and conditions supplementing one or more of the listed sanctions. When reviewing a complaint and deciding what action is the most appropriate in a given situation, the commission must take into consideration various extenuating circumstances.
 - Factors that might suggest a more lenient sanction include:
 - First offense
 - Remorse
 - Apparent desire to reform
 - Other good coaching attributes
 - Dedication to youth sports
 - Factors that might suggest a harsher sanction include:
 - Child endangerment
 - Violation of law
 - Prior complaints/review action
 - Lack of remorse
 - Number of ethics standards violated
 - Breach of duties as a role model
 - Extraordinarily poor judgment around children
- f. Recruitment** – Coaches are accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Coaching applications will not be accepted prior to the first day of league registration. If additional coaches are needed CITY OF NEEDLES issues news releases in local paper, and places announcements on its' event calendar at the Recreation Center.
- g. Recognition** – In general, coaches will be recognized at the end of the season.
- h. Complaint Against a Coach Procedure** – When the CITY OF NEEDLES receives a complaint about a youth sports coach, they will:

1. Invite the coach to attend a meeting to address the complaint and to offer his/her side of the incident.
2. The Parks and Recreation commission will determine the severity of the situation and whether or not the affected coach has violated the expected behaviors outlined under each of the canons of the Code of Ethics Pledge that comprise the Code of Conduct.
3. Upon majority vote, the Commission has the authority to enforce the appropriate range of disciplinary actions outlined in Section III D. The League Director is to report in brief, the nature of the complaint, the Commission findings, and the sanction applied to the coach.

IV. PARENTS SECTION

- a. **Reminder** – Children that participate in youth sports can experience life-long positive benefits. The CITY OF NEEDLES offers youth sports to help promote these positive gains for its youth. Your role as the parent is critical with the success of the program. Please remember that these programs are offered for kids, and not the adults.
- b. **Playing Time** - Each player will play a minimum amount of each game as specified for each league. Substitutions may be called for the sole purpose of meeting the minimum play rule. There are exceptions to this rule. At the discretion of the coach and approval by the League Director or League Coordinator, your child may not be allowed to participate if he/she has not attended practices, is ill and/or contagious, has displayed a poor attitude, etc.
- c. **Playing Equipment** – The CITY OF NEEDLES youth sports leagues do not require any sport specific equipment for participation. However, black-soled shoes that leave scuff marks on the gym floor are prohibited. CITY OF NEEDLES staff does recommend court/field appropriate footwear for safety.
- d. **Corrective Action Policy** – It is the philosophy of the CITY OF NEEDLES that parents should not spoil the experience of participation in youth sports for the children. Furthermore, the CITY OF NEEDLES will not punish a child for the actions of his or her parent(s). Parents who do not follow the Code of Ethics may be subject to a Corrective Action Policy listed below.
 - These guidelines are not absolute in dealing with behavioral problems. Severe situations could warrant harsher sanctions.
 1. Verbal Warning – The coach will discuss inappropriate conduct with parents and emphasize that such behavior will not be tolerated. The coach will document this conversation and provide a copy to the League Director.
 2. Written Warning – The coach or official will notify the League Director of continued misconduct and the League Director will request a meeting to discuss actions and the proper behavior. Furthermore, a formal letter of reprimand may be given to the parent(s) stating that the next offense may lead to the parent being suspended from the sporting event venue for a period of 1 (one) or more games.
 3. Game Suspension – League will suspend the parent from attending the next scheduled contest and another letter will be given to parent(s) stating that the next offense may lead to parent being banned from all future league activities.
 4. Season Suspension – The parent(s) will be suspended from attend all league contests after a 4th offense. The parent(s) will need to make a formal request to be re-instated into this league. The parent(s) will then be required to meet with the League Director prior to the start of the next youth sport season to determine if the parent(s) can behave within the spirit and letter of the guidelines of the program.

V. PARTICIPANTS SECTION

- a. **Reminder** – By participating in youth sports you have the opportunity to not only learn fundamental sports skills, but also life lessons. Appropriate behaviors and choices are important to the success of your growth. Please remember that these programs are offered to develop your skills, practice good sportsmanship, and to have fun.

- b. **Corrective Action Policy** – Players who fail to adhere to the Code of Conduct may be subject to disciplinary action. Therefore, the CITY OF NEEDLES has instituted a Corrective Action Policy to establish appropriate consequences for inappropriate behavior.
- These guidelines are not absolute in dealing with behavioral problems. Severe situations could warrant harsher sanctions.
 - 1. Verbal Warning – Coach will discuss inappropriate conduct with player and parents and emphasize that this behavior will not be tolerated. Coach will document this discussion and provide a copy to the League Director.
 - 2. Period Suspension – Coach will bench the offending player for 1 period of time during a game when he/she should be playing. Coach will inform the League Director or League Coordinator of the problem and why the child is sitting out 1 period of the game.
 - 3. Game Suspension – Coach will bench the offending player for 1 entire game when he/she should be playing. Coach will inform the League Director or League Coordinator of the 3rd offense, at which time the player and the parent(s) must attend a meeting with the Coach and League Director before the player is allowed to resume playing. The player will be warned that the next offense could result in his/her expulsion from the league.
 - 4. League Expulsion – The participant on the 4th offense may be expelled from the league and no refund will be given. The parent will need to make a formal request to be reinstated into this league. The player and parent(s) will next meet with the League Director and the League Coordinator prior to the start of the next youth sports season to determine if the child is capable of playing within the guidelines of this program.

VI. PARTICIPANTS SECTION

- a. **Screening Process** – All prospective officials will be required to:
1. Be at least 14 years of age
 2. Complete a youth sports officials application
 3. Pass a criminal background check (adults only)
- b. **Evaluation Procedures** – Officials will be observed throughout the season by the CITY OF NEEDLES staff. The observations focus on, but are not limited to the officials' mechanics, positioning, leadership, attitude, professionalism, attire, demeanor, and punctuality.
- c. **Corrective Action Policy** – In the event that an official has committed an infraction of varying degree, CITY OF NEEDLES staff will address the infraction.
- The consequence, if any, will depend on the infraction, the official's history, and anything else deemed relevant by the CITY OF NEEDLES staff.
 - Corrective actions can be a verbal warning, reduction of scheduled games, suspension, and/or contract termination.
 - Any correction actions taken will be noted on the officials evaluation form.
- d. **Recruitment** – The CITY OF NEEDLES issues news releases to the general public, and places announcements in its event guide regarding the need for officials.
- The CITY OF NEEDLES will compile an ongoing mailing list of officials to be used before each season for recruitment.
- e. **Pay Policies** – The CITY OF NEEDLES pays youth sports officials by a pay scale that's broken down by division relative to each sport.
- The following pay scale will apply during the 2018-2019 season:

- C Division Basketball- \$10/game and A & B Basketball and Football - \$12.00/Game
- Pee Wee League is provided by staff
- Officials will be paid on Friday of each week for the games they officiated the previous week.

- f. **Scheduling** – Any changes in official assignments need to be noted on the referee schedule in at least one of the scorekeeper notebooks.
- If an official is late to an assignment, then a “fill in” official will start the game and receive pay for the game. The originally scheduled official will lose the assignment and pay.
 - If an official is late due to a prior assignment finishing late, then both officials (“fill in” and original) will receive pay for that game.
 - If an official has a sudden emergency, he/she needs to contact the League Director or League Coordinator as soon as possible to ensure proper coverage.

APPENDIX A **SPORT SPECIFIC RULES**

City of Needles **Youth Basketball League Rules**

These rules and regulations are established to govern league play for the City of Needles, which is a Southern Municipal Athletic Federation (SCMAF) participating agency. The League Director will have jurisdiction over all rules and regulations to govern any youth Basketball rules herein not covered. The decision of the league shall be final. With the exception of the following modifications, the National Federation Basketball rules shall govern league play.

I) Rules

- A. Timeouts: 2 per half and 1 per overtime period. Timeouts are one minute in length, and do not carry over.
- B. Overtime: 2 minutes regulation clock. (If still a tie after 1overtime, game ends in a tie).
- C. In the 3 – 7 year old divisions there will be no score kept at the games. In the 8-9 and 10-11 year old divisions, no team can be more than 20 points ahead at any given time. If a team is ahead by 20 points or more they may continue to score, but the score will not be recorded until the opposing team is once again within 20 points.
- D. There shall be 1 minute between quarters and 3 minutes between halves.
- E. The bonus rule (1+1) shall be in effect on the 7th team foul in each half and two shots on and after the 10th foul in each half.
- F. Each team must begin the game with 4 registered players. Both teams will play with equal amount of players for the start of the game. If the fifth player shows up, then the opposing team may play with 5 players. Teams having less than 4 players at scheduled game time will be subject to forfeiting the game to the opposing team.
- G. If a team experiences a reduction in the number of players during the course of a game, the opposing team is not required to reduce their number of players. A team may continue to play in the game with no less than three players as long as they are still competitive (decision will be made by CITY OF NEEDLES staff).
- H. The designated coach's box is the area in front of the team, between the ends of the bench. Only one coach may stand at any time.

II) Regulations

3 – 7 year olds – Pee Wee

- **Pee Wee Age:** 6 – 7 year olds (Have not reached 8th birthday by July 1st)
- **Jr. Pee Wee Age:** 3 – 5 year olds (Have not reached 6th birthday by July 1st)
- A. This division is designed to be a basketball introduction league. There will be no score kept in either division.
- B. A Junior size basketball is used (27.5")
- C. Time: 6 minute running clock for Pee Wee. 4 minute running clock for Jr. Pee Wee.

- D. No backcourt press once the offense is in possession of the ball. Defensive players must stay inside the three point line until the ball crosses it. A “free shot zone” will be set up between the free throw line, volleyball line and the two sides of the key.
- E. The 3-point shot will not be used.
- F. Fouls will be called, but not marked down. If a player continues to excessively foul, he/she may be asked to sit out. There are no shooting fouls in this division.
- G. When a violation occurs, play will be stopped, the official will instruct the player(s) if needed, and play will then resume with no change in possession. The exception to this rule is any out of bounds violations.
- H. Pee Wee: Each player must play a minimum of 2 quarters. Jr. Pee Wee: No minimum play required.
- I. There will be no league tournament in Jr. Pee Wee or Pee Wee Basketball.

C Division (3rd & 4th grades) – **Born in 2009 or 2010**

Players who are born in 2009 or 2010 and players born in 2008 and in a grade no higher than 4th are eligible.

- A. This division is designed to be a basketball developmental league.
- B. Girls official size (28.5) basketball for both boys and girls
- C. Time: 8 minute running clock. Stop clock will be used for the last 2 minutes of the 2nd and 4th quarters, unless a team is ahead by 20 points.
- D. The 3-point shot will not be used.
- E. The free throw line shall be marked at 11 feet for girls and boys
- F. A 5 second key violation will be in effect.
- G. Backcourt press is not allowed once the offense is in possession of the ball. Defense must stay behind the half-court line. If violated, a penalty will be issued which can range from a warning to a technical foul.
- H. The 10 second backcourt rule will be enforced.
- I. Each player must play 2 full quarters to meet the must-play rule. There is free substitution in the fourth quarter only if all players have met the minimum play rule.

B Division (5th - 6th grades) – **Born in 2007 or 2008 and A Division** (7th -8th grades) in 2005 or 2006

Players who are born in 2007 or 2008 and players born in 2006 and in a grade no higher than 6th are eligible.

Players who are born in 2005 or 2006 and players born in 2004 and in a grade no higher than 8th are eligible.

- A. This division is designed to be a basketball organizational league.
- B. Men’s official size (30”) for boys and women’s official size (28.5) for girls.
- C. Time: 8 minute running clock will be used. Stop clock will be used for the last 2 minutes of the 2nd and 4th quarters, unless a team is ahead by 20 points.
- D. The 3-point shot will be used.
- E. The free throw line shall be marked at 13 feet for girls and boys.
- F. A 3 second key violations will be in effect.
- G. Teams may press in this division. However, a team that is ahead by 15 points or more may not press. If violated, a penalty will be issued which can range from a warning to a technical foul.
- H. The 10 second backcourt rule will be enforced.
- I. Each player must play 2 full quarters to meet the must-play rule. There is free substitution in the fourth quarter only if all players have met the minimum play rule.

City of Needles Flag Football League Rules

The City of Needles Flag Football program is governed by the current Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation (SCMAF) Flag Football Rules, with local modifications. The game officials are responsible for ensuring that the rules of play are followed, and the League Director will have jurisdiction over all rules and regulations to govern any flag football rules herein not covered.

The following reminders are presented for quick reference:

I) Rules

- A. Games are four 10-minute running clock quarters. There shall be 1 minute between quarters and 5 minutes between halves.
- B. A regulation clock will be used the last two minutes of the fourth quarter.

- C. Timeouts:
 - A and B divisions – 2 timeouts per half
 - C Division – 4 timeouts per game
- D. Overtime: Both teams will be given the ball on the 10-yard line and have four downs to score in the end zone (scoring will be the same as in regular game). Only one overtime period per game. If teams are tied at the end of overtime, the game ends in a tie.
- E. If a team is leading by a score of 14 point or more, the “running clock” will be used. The clock will only stop for charged time outs and official time outs.
- F. Each player must play a full quarter per half to meet the must-play rule. There is free substitution in the fourth quarter only for those players who have met the must-play rule.
- G. One coach per team will be allowed on the field during time outs.
- H. Scoring: TD= 6 points. Extra point = 1 point (2 yards) or 2 points (5 yards). Safety = 2 points.
- I. Official flag is “TRIPLE THREAT” 3-flag belt. Flags are provided by, and must be returned to the Needles Recreation Center at end of season.
- J. All flags must be worn properly. The hip points must be facing out. The ribs on the flag must be facing out.
- K. Offense has 4 plays to cross the mid-field line or score a touchdown.
- L. Ball must be snapped between legs, not off to one side to start play.
- M. It is recommended that all players wear a protective mouthpiece (not provided by league).
- N. Flagrant contact fouls will not be tolerated. Offending player(s) will be ejected from that game, and sit out the next game.
- O. No stiff-arming allowed (considered flag guarding).
- P. Center snap: If ball hits ground, ball dead at spot.
- Q. If player falls down, or if knee touches ground, ball is dead at spot. Player may not get up and run.
- R. Teams will switch ends at half time.
- S. NO metal baseball spikes allowed (rubber cleats only). Inspections will be made on field.
- T. No direct runs by the quarterback. The player that receives the snap is considered the quarterback for that play.
- U. Teams will play 8 man football.

II) Regulations

A. Blocking:

- Offense: An offensive blocker may use only the standing block, with the forearms and hands folded to the body. Hands must stay “locked” throughout the block. As soon as the “locked” hand comes undone, the block is no longer legal.
- Defense: Defensive players are restrained in use of hands to pushing the shoulder and body of offensive blockers.

B. Charging/Tackling:

- The ball carrier may not run through a defensive player, but must attempt to evade the defensive players.
- The defensive player may attempt to clock a pass as long as contact is not made with the passer at any time.
- Any defensive roughness against the ball carrier, if determined to be flagrant by the official is grounds for ejection.

C. Fumbled Ball:

- There are no fumbles in flag football. The ball is dead at the point of contact with the ground and play stops.

D. Hurdling:

- Intentional hurdling and/or jumping over any other player to avoid being “tackled” and which creates an unsafe condition will be penalized. Intentional diving into the end zone for a touchdown will be penalized.
- Players may jump or hurdle when avoiding a collision, which could result in injury.

E. Passes/Handoffs:

- An intercepted pass in the defensive team's end zone may be run out of the end zone or downed in the end zone. Touchbacks will be put in play at the 10-yard line.
- F. Tagging**
- Tagging is placing one hand anywhere between the shoulders and knees of an opponent with the ball. If flags fall off of the pass receiver before he catches the ball, the play continues until the player is "tagged". When flags fall off the ball carrier inadvertently the ball is dead.
- G. Penalties:** Offense and defense have option to decline penalty.
- Offensive Penalties: Loss of down and yardage
 - Defensive Penalties: Take the play or the first down.
 - Offensive Offsides: (False start) Ball is dead, loss of 3 yards and repeat the down
 - Defensive Offsides: Play continues, offense chooses yards gained if more than 3 yards, or the penalty 3 yards. If the penalty yards are taken there is a repeat of down
 - Any ball that hits the ground will be ruled dead. Fumbles are dead at spot.
- H. Field size:** 60 yards long (74 yards including end zones), and 30 yards wide.

City of Needles Volleyball League Rules

The City of Needles Volleyball Program is governed by a modified version of the State High School regulations. The game officials are responsible for ensuring that the rules of play are followed, and the League Director will have jurisdiction over all rules and regulations to govern any volleyball rules herein not covered.

APPENDIX B **CODE OF ETHICS**

A. COACHES Code of Ethics – I hereby pledge to live up to my being a Volunteer coach and by following the Coaches' Code of Ethics:

- I will place the emotional and physical well being of my players ahead of my personal desire to win.
- I will treat each player as an individual, remembering the large range of emotional and physical development for the same age group.
- I will do my best to provide a safe playing situation for my players.
- I will promise to review and practice basic first aid principles needed to treat injuries of my players.
- I will do my best to organize practices that are fun and challenging for all my players.
- I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all my players.
- I will remember that I am a youth sports coach, and that the game is for children and not adults.

B. OFFICIALS Code of Ethics – I hereby pledge to live up to the expectations as an official serving the youth sports leagues by follow this Code of Ethics:

- I will maintain high standards of excellence
- I will study the game diligently
- I will conduct myself in a professional and dignified manner
- I will be fair and unbiased in my decisions on the field
- I will be confident and firm in my calls, but not inflexible
- I will be polite, not rude
- I will prepare myself physically and mentally
- I will honor all contracts and commitments
- I will cooperate and be professional in my associations with fellow officials

C. PARENTS Code of Ethics – I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care and encouragement for my child participating in youth sports by following this Code of Ethics:

- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, and officials at every game, practice or other youth sports event.
- I will place the emotional and physical well being of my child ahead of my personal desire to win.
- I will insist that my child play in a safe and healthy environment.
- I will require that my child's coach be trained in the responsibilities of being a youth sports coach and that the coach upholds the Coaches' Code of Ethics.
- I will support coaches and officials working with my child, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
- I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco and alcohol and will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- I will remember that the game is for youth – not adults.
- I will do my best to make youth sports fun for my child.
- I will ask my child to treat other players, coaches, spectators and officials with respect regardless of any differences.

D. PARTICIPANTS Code of Ethics – I hereby pledge to provide a positive attitude and be responsible for my participation in youth sports by following this Code of Ethics:

- I will encourage good sportsmanship from fellow players, coaches, officials and parents at every game and practice.
- I will attend every practice and game that is reasonable possible and notify my coach if I cannot.
- I will expect to receive a fair and equal amount of playing time.
- I will do my very best to listen and learn from my coaches.
- I will treat my coaches with respect regardless of race, sex, creed or abilities and I will expect to be treated accordingly.
- I deserve to have fun during my sports experience and I will alert parents or coaches if it stops being FUN!
- I deserve to play in an alcohol, tobacco, and drug free environment and expect adults to respect that wish.
- I will do my very best in school.
- I will remember that sports are an opportunity to learn and have fun.

APPENDIX C **CODE OF CONDUCT**

A. COACHES Code of Conduct – The Code of Conduct defines the expectations for adults serving as coaches in youth sports and provides the tools to be used by the community, when necessary, to check behavior and to respond with resolve to protect all children from the psychological, emotional, physical or social abuses that can be perpetuated against them by youth sports coaches. This Code of Conduct was compiled by the CITY OF NEEDLES.

- The Code of Conduct that follows will be in effect before, during and immediately after all CITY OF NEEDLES practices, games and meetings when on City controlled property.
- Carefully review the Code of Conduct listed below:

1. I WILL PLACE THE EMOTIONAL AND PHYSICAL WELL-BEING OF MY PLAYERS AHEAD OF A PERSONAL DESIRE TO WIN.

- Using appropriate language in appropriate tones when interacting with players, league officials, game officials, parents and spectators.

- Including all players in team activities without regard to race, religion, color, sex, sexual orientation, body type, national origin, ancestry, disability, ability, or any other legally protected classification.
 - Treating all players, league officials, game officials, parents and spectators with dignity and respect.
 - Playing all players according to the equal participation rules established by the league and the spirit of those rules.
 - Encouraging youth to participate in other sports and activities to promote all aspects of their development.
 - Allowing reasonable absences from practice.
2. I WILL TREAT EACH PLAYER AS AN INDIVIDUAL, REMEMBERING THE LARGE RANGE OF EMOTIONAL AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT FOR THE SAME AGE GROUP.
- Recognizing the differences of each child and treating each player as an individual while demonstrating concern for their individual needs and well-being.
 - Encourage all players, regardless of skill level, to be included as a member of the team and to remain involved in sports.
 - Recognizing that some physical tasks, drills and demands are not appropriate for all youth.
 - Recognizing that youth may vary greatly in physical, social and emotional maturation and considering these factors when setting up competitions and when interacting with youth.
3. I WILL DO MY BEST TO PROVIDE A SAFE PLAYING SITUATION FOR MY PLAYERS.
- Maintaining a high level of awareness of potentially unsafe conditions.
 - Protecting players from emotional abuse, physical assault, or sexual molestation.
 - Correcting or avoiding unsafe practice of playing conditions.
 - Using appropriate safety equipment necessary to protect all players
 - Seeing that the players are provided with adequate adult supervision while under the coach's care.
4. I WILL PROMISE TO REVIEW AND PRACTICE THE BASIC FIRST AID PRINCIPLES NEEDED TO TREAT INJURIES OF MY PLAYERS.
- Keeping basic first aid supplies available in all practice and game situations.
 - Recognizing and administering proper first aid to an injured player.
 - Demonstrating concern for an injured player, notifying parents and cooperating with medical authorities.
 - Protecting the players' well being by removing them from activity when injured and not returning them to activity if they are compromised by the injury.
5. I WILL DO MY BEST TO ORGANIZE PRACTICES THAT ARE FUN AND CHALLENGING FOR ALL MY PLAYERS.
- Establishing practice plans that are interesting, varied, productive and aimed at improving all players' skills and individual abilities.
 - Devoting appropriate time to the individual improvement of each player.
 - Conducting practices of reasonable length and intensity appropriate for the age and conditioning of the players.
6. I WILL LEAD BY EXAMPLE IN DEMONSTRATING FAIR PLAY AND SPORTSMANSHIP TO ALL MY PLAYERS.
- Adopting the position, teaching and demonstrating that it is our basic moral code to treat others as we would like to be treated.
 - Abiding by and supporting the rules of the game as well as the spirit of the rules.
 - Providing an environment conducive to fair and equitable competition.
 - Using the influential position of youth coach as an opportunity to protect teach and expect sportsmanship and fair play.

7. I WILL PROVIDE A SPORTS ENVIRONMENT FOR MY TEAM THAT IS FREE OF DRUGS, TOBACCO, AND ALCOHOL, AND I WILL REFRAIN FROM THEIR USE AT ALL YOUTH SPORTS EVENTS.
 - Being alcohol and drug free at all team activities or in the presence of players.
 - Refraining from use of any type of tobacco products at all team activities or in the presence of your players.
 - Refraining from providing any type of alcohol, drug or tobacco products to any of your players.
 - Encouraging parents to refrain from the public use of tobacco products or alcohol at team activities.
8. I WILL BE KNOWLEDGEABLE IN THE RULES OF EAC SPORT THAT I COACH, AND I WILL TEACH THESE RULES TO MY PLAYERS.
 - Becoming knowledgeable, understanding and supportive of all applicable game rules, league rules, regulations and policies.
 - Teaching and requiring compliance of these rules among players.
9. I WILL USE THOSE COACHING TECHNIQUES APPROPRIATE FOR EACH OF THE SKILLS THAT I TEACH.
 - Teaching techniques that reduce the risk of injury to both the coach's own players and their opponents.
 - Discouraging illegal contact or intentional dangerous play and administering swift and equitable discipline to players involved in such activity.
10. I WILL REMEMBER THAT I AM A YOUTH SPORTS COACH, AND THAT THE GAME IS FOR CHILDREN AND NOT ADULTS.
 - Maintaining a positive, helpful and supportive attitude.
 - Exercising your authority/influence to control the behavior of the fans and spectators
 - Exhibiting gracious acceptance of defeat or victory
 - Accepting and adhering to all league rules and policies related to the participation of adults and youth
 - Fulfilling the expected role of a youth coach to adopt a "children first" philosophy.
 - Allowing and encouraging the players to listen, learn and play hard within the rules.
 - Placing the emphasis on fun and participation.

B. OFFICIALS Code of Conduct – The Code of Conduct defines the expectations for youth and adults serving as officials in the CITY OF NEEDLES youth sports leagues. This Code of Conduct was compiled by the Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation (SCMAF).

- The Code of Conduct that follows will be in effect before, during and immediately after all CITY OF NEEDLES practices, games and meetings when on City of Needles controlled property.
- Carefully review the Code of Conduct listed below:
 1. MAINTAIN HIGH STANDARDS OF EXCELLENCE:
 - Attend training meetings and clinics
 - Observe other officials and participate in peer evaluations
 - Guard against personal interest that may conflict with duties as an official
 2. STUDY THE GAME DILIGENTLY:
 - Have a thorough knowledge of rules, strategies, and safety precautions, and how they apply
 3. CITY OF NEEDLES DUCT YOURSELF IN A PROFESSIONAL AND DIGNIFIED MANNER:
 - Present a clean and professional image in terms of appearance, language, and conduct.
 - Conduct yourself honorably.

- Refrain from arguments or gestures that indicate agitation in front of coaches, players and spectators.
 - Shake hands with coaches at the beginning and end of competition.
4. BE FAIR AND UNBIASED IN YOUR DECISIONS ON THE FIELD:
 - A fair game is of utmost importance. Do not discriminate against, nor take undue advantage of any individual group or team.
 5. BE CONFIDENT AND FIRM IN YOUR CALLS, BUT NOT INFLEXIBLE:
 - Have the courage to correct mistakes
 6. BE POLITE, NOT RUDE:
 - Control the players effectively by being courteous and considerate without sacrificing fairness
 7. PREPARE YOURSELF PHYSICALLY AND MENTALLY:
 - Stay in shape, get enough sleep, and eat before you arrive.
 8. HONOR ALL CONTRACTS AND COMMITMENTS:
 - Once you commit to a game, show up.
 9. COOPERATE AND BE PROFESSIONAL IN YOUR ASSOCIATIONS WITH FELLOW REFEREES:
 - Strive to achieve maximum teamwork with fellow officials.

C. **PARENTS Code of Conduct** – The Code of Conduct defines the expectations for adults serving as spectators in the CITY OF NEEDLES youth sports leagues. This Code of Conduct was compiled by the CITY OF NEEDLES.

- The Code of Conduct that follows will be in effect before, during and immediately after all CITY OF NEEDLES practices, games and meetings when on City of Needles controlled property.
 - Carefully review the Code of Conduct listed below:
1. MODEL GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP AND ETHICS:
 - Give your support to the team, opponents, coaches, and officials on and off the field/court.
 - Encourage your child, regardless of their play.
 2. HELP ALONG THE COACHING PROCESS:
 - Emphasize the importance of skill development and attending practices.
 - Know and study the rules of the game. Being able to talk to your child about his or her favorite sport is important.
 3. FULLFILL COMMITMENTS:
 - Be on time and attend events as promised
 4. SEE THE BIG PICTURE:
 - Children should be involved in organized sports for their own enjoyment, not yours.
 - Realize it is a privilege for your child to compete, not a right.
 - Don't relive your own athletic career through your child in a way that creates pressure.
 - Get to know your child's coach so you are aware of his or her knowledge, philosophy, attitude, and ethics and so you are comfortable releasing your child to his or her watch.

D. **PARTICIPANTS Code of Conduct** – The Code of Conduct defines the expectations for youth serving as participants in the CITY OF NEEDLES youth sports leagues. This Code of Conduct was compiled by the CITY OF NEEDLES.

- The Code of Conduct that follows will be in effect before, during and immediately after all CITY OF NEEDLES practices, games and meetings when on City of Needles controlled property.
- Carefully review the Code of Conduct listed below:

1. LIVE UP TO HIGH IDEALS OF ETHICS AND SPORTSMANSHIP:
 - Abide by the rules and regulations of the game and encourage other athletes to do the same.
 - Treat everyone fairly and with respect.
 - Direct comments or criticism at performances rather than the individual.
2. BE AWARE OF SAFETY CONCERNS:
 - Participate in a manner that ensures safety of other athletes, coaches, and officials participation in the game.
3. BE RESPONSIBLE:
 - Abstain from the used of or the encouragement of the use of tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, or illegal substances.
 - Report Problems – Any wrongdoing or unhealthy behaviors should be reported to a coach, official, parent or staff.
4. HONOR ALL OBLIGATIONS:
 - Fulfill your commitments; do what you say you will do; be on time to practices and games.
5. CONDUCT YOURSELF IN A PROFESSIONAL DIGNIFIED MANNER:
 - Represent your team with honor
 - Live and play with class, be a good sport
6. COMPOSE YOURSELF IN A WAY THAT DEMANDS RESPECT:
 - Avoid using obscene language, gestures, boastful performances, and trash-talking.
 - Don't fight or show excessive displays of anger or frustration.

APPENDIX D **JOB DESCRIPTIONS**

YOUTH SPORTS VOLUNTEER COACH JOB DESCRIPTION

TITLE:	Volunteer coach for the City of Needles Youth Sports Leagues.
DESCRIPTION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Coach of male or female athletes between the ages of 4-14 ▪ You will be considered a role model for 7-12 young athletes assigned to your team; Therefore sportsmanship, fair play and full participation are mandatory.
RESPONSIBILITIES:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Plan and supervise games, practices, and events. ▪ Supervise assistant coaches, or team parents. ▪ Teach the young athlete the fundamentals of the sport. ▪ Encourage the involvement of the parents in the sport. ▪ Schedule and conduct parent and other necessary meetings. ▪ Provide a safe and fun environment for the children. ▪ Learn and follow all league rules, policies, and procedures. ▪ Give each player equal playing time. ▪ Put the feelings of the players ahead of your desire to win. ▪ Attend all league functions and participate in league activities.
QUALIFICATIONS:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Successfully complete the application procedure and pass a background check. ▪ Attend any scheduled coaching interviews or meetings. ▪ Be enthusiastic. ▪ Not want to win at all costs. ▪ Must be patient, especially with children. ▪ Be organized. ▪ Be dependable.

INFORMATION: As a volunteer coach, you are treated by local, state, and federal law as being an unpaid employee of the agency in which you are associated with; therefore, you must conduct yourself in the same manner as you would your own job. In the same respect, you will receive the same treatment, aside from compensation and benefits, as the employee of the City of Needles.

YOUTH SPORTS LEAGUE GAME OFFICIAL JOB DESCRIPTION

TITLE: City of Needles Youth Sports League Game Official.

DESCRIPTION: Game official of youth sports leagues for male and female athlete's ages 4-14

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Insure that the game proceeds within the context of the rules
- Interfere as little as possible, never seeking to become the focus of attention
- Set and maintain an atmosphere of enjoyment of the game
- Show concern for athletes
- Display a positive and professional attitude from the time of arrival at the facility to the time of departure.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Successfully complete the application procedure and pass a background check.
- Attend any scheduled officials meetings
- Thorough knowledge of the game rules.

INFORMATION: Be self confident, consistent, decisive, even-tempered and encourage good sportsmanship. Youth sports officials are considered a seasonal independent contract employee and will be scheduled on an "as needed" basis. City of Needles staff can terminate the contract agreement at any time in the event of unsatisfactory performance by the official.

APPENDIX E RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES

A. COACHES Rights and Responsibilities

- Rights
 1. To have support from the administration/league
 2. To know what is expected of him/her
 3. To have a fair procedure to bring concerns and complaints forward
 4. To have ample opportunities to receive training to be a youth sports coach, including child abuse prevention
- Responsibilities
 1. To provide accurate background information to the league
 2. To get needed training
 3. To understand the role and influence of a "Coach"
 4. To understand intervention and child abuse reporting procedures
 5. To abide by a Code of Ethics and Code of Conduct
 6. To be an advocate for the program's philosophy
 7. To set expectations for the season
 8. To recognize the special needs of EACH athlete, gifted or not gifted
 9. To limit physical interaction while conducting instructions
 10. To provide appropriate and caring touch
 11. To never touch out of anger
 12. To keep programs free from put-downs, trash talk, profanity, violence and abuse
 13. To motivate with praise and instruction
 14. To not use physical punishment
 15. To learn effective ways to channel frustrations and anger

16. To communicate respectfully with parents, athletes, officials and administrators
17. To provide a safe and fun sports environment.

B. OFFICIALS Rights and Responsibilities

- Rights
 5. To be treated with dignity and respect
 6. To be free from receiving abuse
 7. To have the support of the administration
- Responsibilities
 1. To set the tone for everyone to be a good sport
 2. To get training on being an official and child abuse prevention
 3. To be fair and impartial
 4. To abide by a Code of Ethics and Code of Conduct
 5. To set limits and boundaries by not allowing abusive behavior on the part of coaches, players, parents or fans
 6. To take an active role to create an environment free from abuse and inappropriate behaviors
 7. To provide a safe and fun sports environment

C. PARENTS Rights and Responsibilities

- Rights
 1. To have a safe and fun experience for you child
 2. To have accurate and comprehensive information
 3. To be part of a quality program
 4. To know about the complaint procedures
- Responsibilities
 1. To have a part in the supervision of the child
 2. To be a good spectator
 3. To bring forward valid complaints and concerns
 4. To educate your child about abuse
 5. To abide by a Code of Ethics and Code of Conduct
 6. To help each child find the right sport and program for his/her needs
 7. To assess the philosophy of the coach and the organization
 8. To provide each child with the physical and emotional nurturing and guidance they need to thrive
 9. To be an advocate for each of your children
 10. To support sons and daughters equally as athletes
 11. To understand that all children are gifted, but not in equal ways
 12. To support the individual needs and interest of the child
 13. To provide unconditional love and support, not based on performance
 14. To pay attention to see if your children are having fun and learning as opposed to just winning
 15. To create a safe and fun sports environment

B. PARTICIPANTS Rights and Responsibilities

- Rights
 1. To have sports be a safe experience, free from abuse and violence
 2. To have fun learning, trying new things and being able to practice and play
 3. To participate in a variety of sports opportunities
- Responsibilities
 1. To follow rules
 2. To be a good spectator
 3. To tell parents (or other trusted adult) about any abuse
 4. To learn the values of teamwork – helping and supporting one another
 5. To abide by a Code of Ethics and Code of Conduct
 6. To learn ways to deal with pressure and frustrations
 7. To care about what happens to others
 8. To settle conflicts without saying or doing things that hurt others
 9. To treat coaches and officials with respect

10. To treat others as you want to be treated
11. To be a good sport (how you talk to others and how you behave)
12. To let your parents and coaches know what you need

ATTACHMENT 'A'

GROUP A:

1. Registered Sex Offender
2. Murder
3. Kidnapping
4. Arson
5. Aggravated Domestic Violence
6. DUI – three or more in less than seven years
7. Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor
8. Child Seduction
9. Criminal Deviate Seduction
10. Sexual Misconduct of Minor
11. Child Molesting
12. Child Solicitation
13. Rape
14. Sexual Assault
15. Injury to a Child
16. Child Pornography

GROUP B:

1. Manslaughter
2. Robbery
3. Burglary
4. Reckless Homicide
5. Class A/B Drug Offenses
6. Embezzlement
7. Felony Theft
8. Aggravated Assault
9. Felony



EXHIBIT "B"

City of Needles

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City Manager Patrick J. Martinez

October 27, 2023

Dyrell Jones
1217 Lillyhill Drive
Needles Ca, 92363

Re: Complaint Against Coach Parks and Recreation Commission Hearing

Dear Coach Jones:

I am writing to inform you about the recent complaint filed against you regarding the incident that occurred on October 19, 2023. In accordance with the guidelines outlined in the City of Needles "Coaches Handbook," I wanted to apprise you of the actions being taken as a result of this complaint.

As per our established protocol, the City of Needles takes any complaint against a youth sports coach very seriously. We believe in transparency, accountability, and fairness, and this process is designed to uphold these values. The Parks and Recreation Commission is responsible for addressing such matters.

The Parks and Recreation Commission will be inviting you to attend a meeting at your earliest convenience. The purpose of this meeting is to provide you with an opportunity to address the complaint and present your perspective on the incident in question. This meeting will play a vital role in helping the Commission determine the severity of the situation and whether or not the alleged behavior violates the expected standards set forth in the Code of Ethics Pledge, which constitutes the Code of Conduct.

The Commission is empowered to enforce a range of disciplinary actions as outlined in the "Coaches Handbook." These actions may include, but are not limited to:

- WARNING TO AND/OR APOLOGY FROM THE COACH
- PROBATION
- ONE GAME SUSPENSION
- MULTIPLE GAME SUSPENSIONS
- SEASON SUSPENSION
- PERMANENT REVOCATION OF CERTIFICATION

The decision regarding the appropriate disciplinary action will be made by the Commission after a thorough review of all relevant information and following due process.

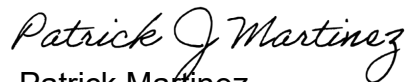
Until the hearing is conducted, you will be placed on suspension. This suspension will remain in effect until the Parks and Recreation Commission reaches a decision and communicates their findings. The purpose of this suspension is to ensure the integrity of the investigation process and to protect the interests of all parties involved.

We understand the importance of a fair and impartial inquiry and are committed to ensuring that the process is conducted with utmost transparency and fairness.

You will receive a formal notice with further details regarding the date and time of the hearing, at which you can present your case. Please be prepared to participate actively in this process.

We appreciate your understanding of the situation and your cooperation as we work through this matter. If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to reach out to Jennifer Valenzuela at jvalenzuela@cityofneedles.com or by phone 760-326-2814. We remain dedicated to the principles of fairness and justice in all our proceedings.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patrick J. Martinez".

Patrick Martinez
City Manager, City of Needles



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November 2, 2023

Dyrell Jones
1217 Lillyhill Drive
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Re: Complaint Against Coach Parks and Recreation Commission Hearing

Dear Coach Jones:

On October 27, 2023, the City had informed you that there was a complaint filed against you regarding the incident that occurred on October 19, 2023.

As per our established protocol, the City of Needles takes any complaint against a youth sports coach very seriously. We believe in transparency, accountability, and fairness, and this process is designed to uphold these values. The Parks and Recreation Commission is responsible for addressing such matters.

On November 1, 2023, I was notified by the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department that the incident was referred to the San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office and is pending review. The Parks and Recreation Commission will be inviting you to attend a meeting once a determination is made by the DA's Office.

Until the hearing is conducted, you will be placed on temporary suspension. This temporary suspension will remain in effect until the Parks and Recreation Commission reaches a decision and communicates their findings.

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Sincerely,

Patrick J. Martinez

Patrick Martinez
City Manager, City of Needles

Started by dyrell was complaining about the score not being change. the Ref had explain to him ~~that~~ that he needs to stop dyrell respond and said I Don't listen to nobody except my self. he was being rude to an Employee and said that she was acting slow. Employee said can you please not talk to me like that dyrell said what are you gonna do about it.

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(staff at table)

Thursday 10/19/23

I (Haylee) was running score board and training another staff member how to do the score board. Dyrell's team had made a touchdown, and it hadn't even been 2 minutes before Dyrell was yelling at me saying "Why aren't my points up, add my points." I asked him "why are you yelling at me?" Dyrell says "Because your being slow, your acting fucking stupid." I told him "Do not speak to me that way." And he says "What are you going to do about it?" So what I did about it was call Jen. 6:05 pm.

I was told to not speak negatively, let head ref know what was going on. And so I did. Ref gave Dyrell warning at about 6:50 pm. Dyrell walked up and down sideline telling me he was going to have my shit handed at the end of the game. He walked to his car called someone. He then told me "Go get your fucking boyfriend." In which my boyfriend was already on his way, because I felt threatened and unsafe when Dyrell was calling people for me to get "handled." By this time Dyrell was telling his players "That's when you punch him in the face Immanuel." Cross had then said

"Aye you dont speak to my team like that." Which led Dyrell to run after him trying to fight on the feild... mid game. This is when Ref called the game. Myself and others were calling police. When police arrived I gave my Statement, Dyrell was so destract Police had to detain him.

Thank You,
Haylee Dominguez

Staff at table

Jennifer Valenzuela

From: Sarah Price <saraholaprice@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 1, 2023 5:16 PM
To: Jennifer Valenzuela
Subject: Flag Football Incident

[EXTERNAL EMAIL] DO NOT CLICK links or attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

On the night of of October 19th 2023 I was at my daughter Zoe dial's game the entire time I was at the game I observed coach Dyrell being loud and being very rude towards the children's I've made several comments to the people I was with about how he was acting crazy and that he needed to chill out. He has known me from when I lived in the river Garden Apartments back in 2016-2017. He had an issue with my Ex husband then. So once he started to go after the coach of my daughter's team I went on the field to get Zoe off. The referee ended up calling the game. We had the kids line up to shake hands. He was still trying to come to the coach. I was told that an officer wanted to speak to my daughter alone so I was waiting close enough to be able to hear the conversation he was having with my daughter. He was just asking her questions about the coach. While dryell was walking by he was starting to become unhinged again and I told him he needed to chill out cause there were kids around. He kept telling me to shut my mouth because he's not my man and that he was calling me names so my brother told him he needed to shut his mouth. He then had exchanged words with my brother and the cops started to put him in handcuffs and then I tried to get the kids away so I didn't see what happened after that as I was still talking to the other cops trying to get them the videos that were from my mom's phone to the cops he was sight released and he was still trying to say stuff the cops were telling him he needed to be quiet. I had several parents and children say that he was saying hit the girl, get the girl and the girl is my daughter and she is the only girl on the team so he was making it a personal Vendetta throughout the game to go after my child. I don't think he should be allowed to coach any more Sports because I would feel uncomfortable with my children even being in a sport with him being a coach whether it be their coach or not. No parent should have to feel that way. I will try to attach the videos to this email as well but they are a little bit lengthy so they may not be sent at the same time because of how big the video size is. Thank you.

-Sarah Price

opposing team

On Thursday October 19 2023 we had a flag football game against Dyrell we where on one side he was on the other side where score board was and he started yelling at the score keeper telling her she doesn't know how to keep score and she does, and would not stop then the referee called time several times to speak to him, then we started playing again then he started yelling at the other referee and they switch sides of the field. Then with only a few minutes left there was a play that one of my players did and a flag was thrown I told referee good call and I talk to my kid on my team then he walked over and said I am going to punch that kid I said you are not going to punch any of my kids you can punch me before my kids then he told his team to punch our kids I told my kids to stay over here and the referee stepped between him and me and said go to your side then he keep saying lets go fight right know I said nothing then the referee called the game and said game is over the cops where called and they showed up then his nephew came over and said you better not talk to my uncle that way or you won't like it I said go to your side of the field then went to other parents on the side line and said the same thing to them they said go to your side kid then we let the cops take care of it then as I was walking past the cops and him to my vehicle he said I will follow you to your house and kick your butt there. I just ignored him then he said something to a little girl on my team and the little girl's uncle said get out of here and he came towards them, and the cops grabbed him and handcuffed him then we got in are vehicle and left.

opposing Coach
of game on
10/19/23,

Joseph
Cross

1:05



Taylor Parker

Active now



OCT 23, 2023 AT 11:11 AM

Hey Jen, I don't wanna bother you, but I wanted to say something about the game Thursday. A lot of what's being portrayed is only one sided. It all did get out of hand but he was sticking up for the kids. We were sitting on the opposite side of the field where we could see the scoreboard and see what was going on with the other coaches and the mother of the player that was being too aggressive. If you want to talk about any of it you can call me, I just wanted to say something about it. I am just worried about if Konnor got hit like the last kid he could have gotten really hurt. He's 1/2 of most of these kids size. Dyrell has been a really good coach for the kids, just wish he didn't handle this the way he did. Thank you for all you do for

Parent on
Dyrell's Team



Aa



Parent on
Dyrell Jones
Team

To whom it may concern,

I Jaimee Collet am writing on behalf of coach D. & our five star team.

My son Hayden plays on the team with Coach D.

On Tuesday I was sitting on the opposite side of the score board table. I was sitting close to some other parents on our team, but I was in the middle of the other team.

I am personally standing behind coach D. and his actions to stand up for our boys the way he did.

Things took a turn for the worst at the end because it got personal from other parents on the ^{other} team including the coach's wife. (or was told it was his wife.)

During the game there was a few tackle moves that hit on both sides. (normal in a football game). But what got out of hand was the coach's kid. Was getting madly w/ his mother. I actually said something to this kid because he was being

disrespectful to her + I couldn't take it anymore. Then, their coach called a time out and this took place right in front of me on the 50 yard line.

Coach said do whatever you have to do to stop number 34. (Manny). Manny is a good running back and was giving them a run for their money.

This was after the numerous tackles that kept happening. Finally the play that everything blew up in was the coaches son dropped his shoulder down, + nailed manny #34 in the chin + threw him out of bounds + to the ground.

That's when both sides of parents got up + coach snapped. Both coaches went to the ref to do something. Ref kept giving excuses that they can't see certain stuff + they should have told them sooner (which coach said he did). Ref kept saying they didn't see anything other than that play + that the kid was going to be ejected from the game.

By then it was too late all the parents were on the field coaches were in the middle of it.

Coach D kept saying this is going to go for flag. The other Coach tried saying he told his team to do stuff like that.

Now I personally have dealt w/ this coach when he coached little league at the beginning of this year. He has said multiple times to purposely hit our players. We ended up with 3 injured players that we called the game. That was the same game my fiancee was kicked out because he was pressed to the coach (same as the one w/ coach D) was talking trash behind the fence.

Needless to say this was not a one-sided event. I was also with the coach's wife backing him from the sidelines. The other coach's wife came up behind me warning her mouth to where I wanted to turn around & knock her out. Then there was a lady in a tie dyed shirt coming up to Coach D talking trash. At that point the cops came up and grabbed Coach from behind, and just like any normal person would do when someone grabs your arms from behind you would flinch and

react like "What the f***k" because I said that when he grabbed him w/out warning. Because the lady with the dyed shirt was talking crap to her husband / Baffano's starting walking the coach while 5 officers by now are cuffing him.

Needless to say this event took a turn for the worst on both ends (including the officer who grabbed Coach from behind with no warning. I was in front of him when it happened & it turned against me).

Now our team is losing because the kids suffer in the end.

So on behalf of Coach D. I will stand by him & his actions to protect our kids whether it was a little out of line. If you punish one coach you better be punishing the other coach. Especially since this is not his first & I know it won't be his last.

Sincerely, Jaimee Collet (988) 577-
cell

4332949

Bernardino Sheriff's Dept. ☐ MISDEMEANOR ☐ Traffic ☐ Nontraffic

TO APPEAR

Case No. 4332949

Name (First, Middle, Last) DYKES Time ☐ AM ☒ PM Day of Week S M T W T F S

Address 1017 1/2

City LA BREA State CA ZIP Code 90001 E-mail Address

Driver Lic. No. 79 State CA Class 1 Commercial ☐ Yes ☒ No Age 20 Birth Date 1/1/99

Sex M Hair B Eyes B Height 5'10" Weight 170 Race Latino ☐ Juvenile (Phone No.) ()

Veh. Lic. No. or VIN 79 State CA Reg. MO/YR 12/13 ☐ COMMERCIAL VEHICLE (Veh. Code, § 15210(b))

Yr. of Veh. 1 Make Subaru Model Impreza Body Style Sedan Color Black ☐ HAZARDOUS MATERIAL (Veh. Code, § 353)

Evidence of Financial Responsibility

Registered Owner or Lessee DYKES ☐ Same as Driver

Address 1017 1/2 ☐ Same as Driver

City LA BREA State CA ZIP Code 90001

Correctable Violation (Veh. Code, § 40610) ☐ Booking Required (see reverse) Misdemeanor or Infraction (circle)

Yes	No	Code and Section	Description	M	I
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Speed Approx. 45 P.F./Max Spd. 45 Veh. Lmt. 45 Safe 45 Radar 45 ☐ Continuation Form Issued N

Location of Violation(s) at LA BREA City/County of Occurrence W E

Comments (Weather, Road & Traffic Conditions) DRIVING WHILE SUSPENDED ☐ Accident S

☐ Violations not committed in my presence, declared on information and belief.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed at (place) LA BREA Violation Location LA BREA

Dec. Date 10/1/13 Arresting or Citing Officer 7716 Serial No. 1716 to 1716 Dates Off 10/1/13

Dec. Date 10/1/13 Name of Arresting Officer, if different from Citing Officer 1716 Serial No. 1716 to 1716 Dates Off 10/1/13

WITHOUT ADMITTING GUILT, I PROMISE TO APPEAR AT THE TIME AND PLACE INDICATED BELOW.

X Signature DYKES

WHEN: ON OR BEFORE THIS DATE: 10/1/13 Time: 10:30 ☒ AM ☐ PM

WHAT TO DO: FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE REVERSE

WHERE: COURT: VICTORVILLE COURT

ADDRESS: 1115 N. 1ST ST. VV

PHONE: 760-269-4962

☐ To be notified by Juvenile Court, Traffic Division.

☐ You may arrange with the clerk to appear at a night session of the court.

760-269-4962

DEFENDANT COPY

Judicial Council of California Form
Rev. 06-26-15 (Veh. Code, §§ 40500(b), 40513(b), 40522, 40600; Pen. Code, § 853.9)

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IMPORTANT—READ CAREFULLY

INFORMATION FOR THE CITATION IS AVAILABLE ONLINE AT www.sb-court.org

WARNING: If you fail to appear in court as you have promised, you may be arrested and punished by 6 MONTHS IN JAIL AND/OR A \$1,000 FINE regardless of the disposition of the original charge. (Veh. Code, § 40508 or Pen. Code, § 853.7.) In addition, any person who fails to appear as provided by law may be deemed to have elected to have a trial by written declaration (in absentia) pursuant to Vehicle Code section 40903(a) upon any alleged infraction, as charged by the arresting/citing officer.

JUVENILE: If you were under age 18 at the time the citation was issued, you must appear in court with your parent or guardian.

COURTESY NOTICE: A courtesy notice may be mailed to the address shown on your citation, indicating the required deposit of money (bail) that may be forfeited instead of your appearing in court. If you do not receive a courtesy notice, you are still required to comply with the items below by the appearance date.

WHAT TO DO

You are required to appear at court for a misdemeanor violation. For all violations, your court date/time/place are on the front of this notice to appear. Have the citation with you when contacting the court. In all infraction cases, you must do one or more of the following for each violation:

- Pay the fine (bail).
- Appear in court.
- Contest the violation.

- Correct the violation (traffic cases, when applicable).
- Request traffic school (traffic cases, when applicable).
- Request trial by written declaration (traffic cases).

If you do not do one of the above actions, then a "failure to appear" charge will be filed against you (Veh. Code, § 40508(a)) and your driver license may be withheld, suspended, or revoked. In some courts you may be charged an amount in addition to the bail amount and the case may be turned over to a collection agency (Pen. Code, § 1214.1).

1. If you do NOT contest the violation:

a. **(Pay the bail amount)** Contact the court for bail information. You will not have to appear in court. You will be convicted of the violation, and it will appear on your record at the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV). A point count may be charged to your DMV record and your insurance may be adversely affected.

b. **(Traffic school)** You may be able to avoid the point count by completing traffic school. You must pay the bail amount as a fee, and you may have to pay other fees. Contact the court to request traffic school.

c. **(Correctable violations)** If the "Yes" box is checked on the front of your ticket, the violation is correctable. Upon correction of the violation, have a law enforcement officer or an authorized inspection/installation station agent sign below. (Veh. Code, § 40616.) Registration and driver license violations may also be certified as corrected at an office of the DMV or by any clerk or deputy clerk of a court. The violation will be dismissed by the court after PROOF OF CORRECTION and payment of a transaction fee are presented to the court by mail or in person by the appearance date. Violations of Vehicle Code section 16028 (automobile liability insurance) will be dismissed **only** upon (1) your showing or mailing to the court evidence of financial responsibility valid at the time this notice to appear was issued, and (2) your payment of a transaction fee.

CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION (MUST BE RETURNED TO COURT)

Section(s) Violated	Signature of Person Certifying Correction	Serial No.	Agency	Date

2. If you contest the violation (select a or b):

a. **(Court trial)** Send a certified or registered letter postmarked not later than five days prior to the appearance date or come to the court by the appearance date to request a court trial on a future date when an officer and any witnesses will be present. **You may be required to submit the bail amount. Go online or call the court for information on going to court without paying bail.**

b. **(Trial by written declaration (traffic infractions))** Send a certified or registered letter postmarked not later than five days prior to the appearance date or come to the court on or before the appearance date to request a trial by written declaration. **Submit the bail amount.** You will be given forms to allow you to write a statement and to submit other evidence without appearing in court. An officer will also submit a statement. The judicial officer will consider the evidence and decide the case.

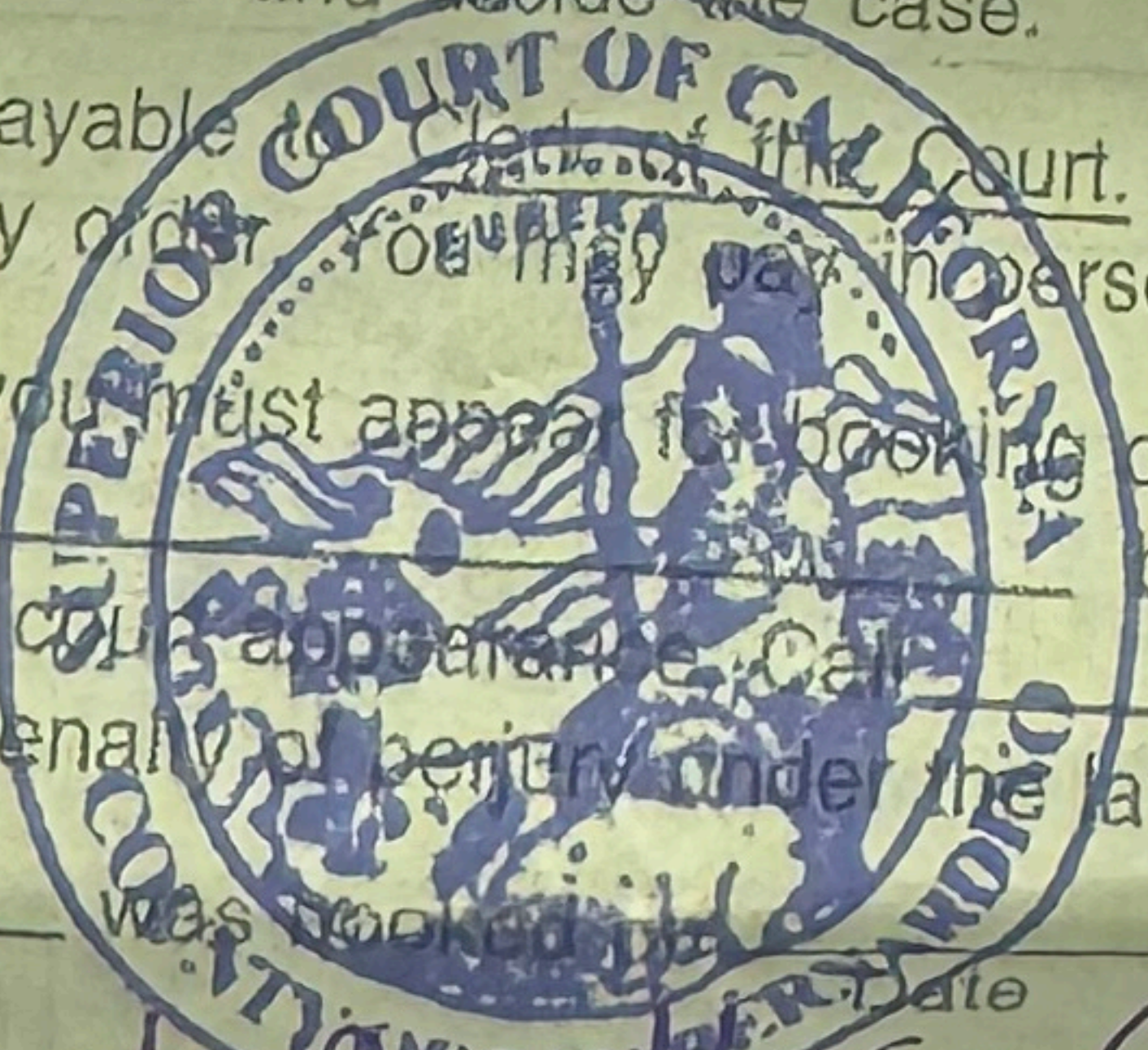
3. **—OR—** Make check/money order payable to **Clerk of the Court**. Write your citation number and driver license number on your check or money order. You may pay in person, by mail, or by phone.

4. If "Booking Required" is checked you must appear for booking on a weekday prior to your court date at: _____ between the hours of _____ and _____ for more information.

Booking Verification: I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that

Defendant's name

1/9/24 Present at Needle's Court
No Case filed as of date. R. Stiller





City of Needles, California Commission Report

☐ CITY COUNCIL ☒ PARK AND RECREATION ☒ Regular ☐ Special

Meeting Date: March 18, 2024

Title: Golf Stats for February 2024

Background:

Fiscal Impact:

Recommendation: No Action Needed - Information Only

Submitted By: Barbara DiLeo, Finance

City Management Review: *Patrick J. Martinez* **Date:** 3/14/2024

Approved: ☐

Not Approved: ☐

Tabled: ☐

Other: ☐

Agenda Item: _____

Golf Course Comparisons											
		Feb-23	compared	Feb-24							
TOTAL DOLLARS COMPARED						TOTAL GOLFERS COMPARED					
Day of		Current Yr.	Prior Yr		Mo to date						Mo to date
Month		Deposit	Deposit	Variance	Variance	Regular	Pass	Total	Prior	Variance	Variance
		Amount	Amount								
1	Saturday	\$ 2,133	\$ 3,515	\$ (1,382)	\$ (1,382)	4	29	33	85	(52)	(52)
2	Sunday	\$ 4,224	\$ 4,385	\$ (161)	\$ (1,543)	63	60	123	151	(28)	(80)
3	Monday	\$ 1,784	\$ 5,033	\$ (3,250)	\$ (4,792)	43	48	91	193	(102)	(182)
4	Tuesday	\$ 4,184	\$ 5,267	\$ (1,083)	\$ (5,875)	110	56	166	160	6	(176)
5	Wednesday	\$ 2,922	\$ 5,362	\$ (2,440)	\$ (8,315)	50	67	117	199	(82)	(258)
6	Thursday	\$ 326	\$ 2,042	\$ (1,716)	\$ (10,031)	10	11	21	87	(66)	(324)
7	Friday	\$ 3,555	\$ 2,184	\$ 1,371	\$ (8,660)	70	49	119	117	2	(322)
8	Saturday	\$ 2,404	\$ 4,603	\$ (2,199)	\$ (10,859)	33	29	62	206	(144)	(466)
9	Sunday	\$ 2,698	\$ 813	\$ 1,885	\$ (8,973)	78	63	141	34	107	(359)
10	Monday	\$ 1,537	\$ 5,179	\$ (3,643)	\$ (12,616)	31	21	52	196	(144)	(503)
11	Tuesday	\$ 1,233	\$ 3,197	\$ (1,964)	\$ (14,580)	38	46	84	157	(73)	(576)
12	Wednesday	\$ 5,866	\$ 1,628	\$ 4,238	\$ (10,342)	116	50	166	84	82	(494)
13	Thursday	\$ 3,210	\$ 3,049	\$ 161	\$ (10,181)	80	74	154	158	(4)	(498)
14	Friday	\$ 4,658	\$ 2,066	\$ 2,592	\$ (7,589)	94	72	166	80	86	(412)
15	Saturday	\$ 3,436	\$ 4,190	\$ (754)	\$ (8,343)	69	57	126	134	(8)	(420)
16	Sunday	\$ 5,498	\$ 2,252	\$ 3,245	\$ (5,097)	113	67	180	104	76	(344)
17	Monday	\$ 3,134	\$ 2,016	\$ 1,118	\$ (3,980)	48	39	87	119	(32)	(376)
18	Tuesday	\$ 2,723	\$ 5,743	\$ (3,019)	\$ (6,999)	74	52	126	177	(51)	(427)
19	Wednesday	\$ 3,396	\$ 3,951	\$ (555)	\$ (7,554)	101	73	174	204	(30)	(457)
20	Thursday	\$ 3,678	\$ 4,891	\$ (1,213)	\$ (8,767)	109	63	172	196	(24)	(481)
21	Friday	\$ 3,625	\$ 3,643	\$ (18)	\$ (8,785)	101	63	164	147	17	(464)
22	Saturday	\$ 2,664	\$ 489	\$ 2,174	\$ (6,611)	68	51	119	43	76	(388)
23	Sunday	\$ 2,726	\$ 523	\$ 2,203	\$ (4,408)	82	62	144	71	73	(315)
24	Monday	\$ 4,878	\$ 3,095	\$ 1,783	\$ (2,625)	94	22	116	128	(12)	(327)
25	Tuesday	\$ 4,910	\$ 2,741	\$ 2,169	\$ (455)	109	67	176	116	60	(267)
26	Wednesday	\$ 1,344	\$ 3,366	\$ (2,022)	\$ (2,478)	40	72	112	155	(43)	(310)
27	Thursday	\$ 2,722	\$ 4,043	\$ (1,321)	\$ (3,798)	76	65	141	163	(22)	(332)
28	Friday	\$ 3,268	\$ 5,430	\$ (2,161)	\$ (5,960)	90	55	145	175	(30)	(362)
29	Saturday	\$ -		\$ -	\$ (5,960)	73	57	130		130	(232)
		\$ 88,736	\$ 94,696	\$ (5,960)		2067	1540	3607	3839	(232)	

RECREATION-AQUATICS-JACK SMITH PARK REPORT

RECREATION: We hosted our 17th Annual Spring Classic Basketball Tournament on March 2-3, 2024. We had 24 teams participating and used our Recreation Center gym, NHS gym and the F.M.I.T. Wellness center. Great competition and fun was had by all. We are traveling to Beaumont and 29 Palms the next two weekends to participate in their home tournaments. Preparing for 2024/25 Budget. Beginning to plan for our Summer day camp to begin in June.

Facility Rentals for: No rentals for parks and Recreation in February. **EL GARCES RENTALS FOR JANUARY & FEBRUARY:** 3- main room rentals @ \$350 with 1 rental to include the Amtrak room @ \$75. 1- reoccurring main room rental for \$175 (1/2 for non-profit)

AQUATICS: Routine maintenance being done. Main and slide pool plaster repair/ painting and tile replacement is now complete, and both pools have been filled. Beginning slide maintenance/painting and general structure painting. Will begin landscape maintenance and removal of weeds/stickers in grass.

JSP: We are now open for the season with weekends only thru March. Hours are 9am – 4pm. Sales and usage has been slow the first 2 weekends due to colder weather than normal in March.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: PATRICK J. MARTINEZ, CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: WEEKLY MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 23, 2024

1. The San Bernardino County Fire Protection District remains dedicated to delivering secure and efficient hazardous waste management services for the residents of Needles, aiming to safeguard our health and the environment. City Staff is pleased to share that the SBCFPD accomplished a successful Household Hazardous Waste Collection event last October, engaging 36 participants and collecting 4,360 pounds of household hazardous waste and E-waste.

Continuing the SBCFPD's commitment, it organized another Household Hazardous Waste Collection event on March 2, 2024, from 7 am to 11 am. The event will occur at the Needles City Public Works Yard, 112 Robuffa Street, Needles, CA, 92363. We encourage residents to participate and contribute to the responsible disposal of hazardous waste for the betterment of our community and environment. You can find further details in the attached report and flyer for the upcoming event.

2. On February 21, 2024, Supervisor Rowe released a press release regarding the County Job and Resource Fair on March 20 at the El Garces Train Depot located at 950 Front Street in Needles from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. This will be the second consecutive year for the event and San Bernardino County has deployed a number of agencies to one location in the Needles area. Residents of the Tri- State area can access various resources from county, state, and local organizations. At the Resource Fair, representatives from the County Assessor-Recorder-Clerk office will be issuing copies of vital records (birth, death, and marriage certificates), providing document recording, and property assessment information. The San Bernardino County Public Defender's office will also be on hand to offer record-clearing and expungement assistance. In addition, the San Bernardino County Department of Veterans Affairs will be available to answer questions about VA benefits and claims-related questions and issue County Veteran ID cards. You can find further details in the attached press release and flyer.

3. Touchstone Staff has skillfully repurposed deceased trees, transforming them into captivating artworks using chainsaws and chisels. As you engage in a round of golf, our customers can enjoy the sight of intricately crafted bears, a raccoon, coyotes, and even Father Time. To immerse yourself in this artistic experience, book your tee time today. You can reserve your spot by calling 760-326-3931 or by visiting <https://www.golfneedlesca.com>. Please refer to the attached photos for a glimpse of these remarkable creations.
4. Commencing in March, the City Staff will open the Jack Smith Park Boat Launch Facility every weekend, and this availability will extend to Monday through Sunday from April 1, 2024, through September 30, 2024. Operations will then revert to weekends only starting in October. Boaters can use the facility by acquiring a \$20 Day-use Launch Pass or a \$175 Annual Launch Pass, both conveniently available at the Kiosk situated at Jack Smith Park. For any inquiries or concerns, please get in touch with Jennifer Valenzuela at 760-326-2814 or via email at jvalenzuela@cityofneedles.com. Ensuring your seamless experience at the boat launch is our top priority, and we are here to provide any assistance you may need. More information can be found on the [City of Needles Jack Smith Park & Launching Facility website](#).
5. Needles High School is proudly represented by boys' and girls' basketball teams in the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association (NIAA) State Championship Finals. The prestigious NIAA State Tournament is hosted this year at the Lawlor Events Center, Northern Nevada's largest multi-purpose arena on the University of Nevada, Reno campus. Adrian Chavez, a dedicated City Staff member, leads the Lady Stangs as their head coach, while Carl Russell guides the Mustangs as their head coach, both aspiring to secure their first state championships in their coaching careers.

The exciting matchups unfold on Friday, February 23, 2024, with the Lady Stangs facing North Tahoe at 6:00 pm and the Mustangs taking on Incline at 7:45 pm. Your support for our talented teams in this crucial tournament is greatly appreciated!

6. Get ready for an action-packed weekend as Needles softball kicks off at the Colorado River Invitational Softball Tournament, set to take place at the Nikki Bunch/Franz Flowers Ball Fields from February 29, 2024, through March 2, 2024. Meanwhile, City Staff is excited to announce the 17th Annual Needles Spring Classic Basketball Tournament from March 1, 2024, through March 3, 2024, with thrilling games hosted at the Needles Recreation Center. As our Youth Basketball All-Stars showcase their skills, they'll compete in Beaumont on March 16-17 and Twentynine Palms on March 22-24. The City of Needles takes pride in its status as a sports tourism destination, consistently hosting various sporting events throughout the year. Join us in celebrating the spirit of sports in our vibrant community!
7. City Staff has thoughtfully curated an extensive community events calendar to keep residents well-informed about Needles's diverse array of happenings. The city invites all organizations to collaborate with the City Clerk's Office to add or modify

events on the community calendar. For contributions and updates, kindly contact Candace Clark at cclark@cityofneedles.com (refer to the latest version of the events calendar dated 2/23/2024 to ensure accuracy and completeness). Your active participation contributes to the vitality of our community experiences.

1. HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE EVENT

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT



2824 "W" Street Bldg. 302 • San Bernardino, CA 92415-0799 • (909) 382-5401 • Fax (909) 382-5413

Office of the Fire Marshal
Household Hazardous
Waste Section
sbcfire.org

Daniel R. Munsey
Fire Chief/Fire Warden

Monica S. Ronchetti
Fire Marshal

February 22, 2024

Rainie Torrance
Senior Accountant
City of Needles
817 Third Street
Needles, California 92363

Subject: *October 7, 2023 Household Hazardous Waste/E-waste Collection*

Dear Rainie,

The following waste was collected from 36 participants at the October 7, 2023 Needles HHW Collection:

Waste	Amounts (lbs.)	Waste	Amounts (lbs.)
Flammable Solid/Liquid	537	Antifreeze	51
Oil Based Paint	117	Motor Oil	400
Toxics	54	Used Oil Filters	12
Corrosive Acids	2	Fluorescent Tubes	32
Corrosive Bases	2	Household Batteries	58
Oxidizers	2	Lead Acid Batteries	321
Latex Paint	461	CRTs/Misc E-waste	2,103
Aerosols	97	Compressed Gas Cylinder	35
Pharmaceuticals	2	Sharps	6
Fertilizers	4	Materials Exchange	22
Fire Extinguishers	22	Cooking Oil	20
		Total	4,360

If you have any questions, please call or e-mail me at (909) 382-5401 mvangese@sbcfire.org

Sincerely,

Michael VanGese,
Environmental Specialist

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Needles Residents:

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

March 02, 2024 | 7a.m. to 11a.m.

Needles City Yard, 112 Robuffa Street, Needles, CA 92363



Funded By
CalRecycle

We Accept...

- Antifreeze
- Auto & Household Batteries
- Computer Monitors, TVs
- CPUs, Printers
- Fluorescent Tubes
- Home-Generated Sharps/Needles in approved container
- Household Cleaners
- Medications – separate liquids from solids (excluding controlled substances)
- Microwave Ovens
- Motor Oil/Used Filters
- Musical Cards, Clothes Irons
- Paint Products
- Pesticides & Fertilizers
- Space Heaters, Stereos, Radios
- Telephones
- VCRs/DVD Players

We Do NOT Accept...

- Asbestos
- Business/Commercial Wastes
- Explosives
- Medical Wastes other than sharps
- Radioactive Wastes
- Reactives
- Tire, Appliances, Furniture, Air Conditioner, etc.
- Wastes from foreclosed properties & non-profit organizations

Take the last step! Recycle your USED MOTOR OIL and OIL FILTERS!

- Dumping used oil (or any chemical) is a crime – legally and environmentally
- Dumped oil contaminates ground water – our drinking water source
- Used oil is insoluble and can contain toxic chemicals
- Used oil kills plant and aquatic life
- One pint of used oil can create an acre-sized oil slick on surface waters



Remember when recycling oil to...

- Drain your oil from cars, trucks, motorcycles, boats, recreational vehicles, lawnmowers, etc., into a reusable, sealable container.
- Do not dump oil on the ground, in the gutter or storm drain, or throw in the trash
- Do not mix anything with the oil (water, paint, pesticides, diesel, antifreeze or gasoline)

Before transporting, be sure that...

- Waste is properly labeled or in its original container
- The container is no larger than 5 gallons. Transport no more than 15 gallons or 125 lbs.
- Containers are sound and not leaking
- Sharps/needles must be in approved biohazard container. Sharps will not be accepted in plastic bags, coffee cans, milk jugs, or soda cans
- Waste is securely placed in the back of the vehicle for safe transport

The following guidelines apply:

- Household Hazardous Waste ONLY. No Business-Generated Waste Accepted
- San Bernardino County Residents ONLY. Identification will be required
- No Early Birds (waste brought before 7:00a.m. will not be accepted)
- Waste must be accepted by County Fire Protection District personnel.
- Remain in vehicle at all times

For questions or more information, contact:

**San Bernardino County Fire Protection District,
Household Hazardous Waste Program**

1.800.OILY.CAT (1.800.645.9228)

Visit Sbctfire.org/hhw



*Cosponsored by San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors,
City of Needles, and San Bernardino County Fire Protection District*



2. COUNTYJOB AND RESOURCE FAIR



Job and Resource Fair

**March 20, 2024
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

Connect with resource providers!

- San Bernardino County Workforce Development
- Assessor's Office
- Department of Behavioral Health
- Transitional Assistance
- Aging & Adult Services
- Veteran's Affairs
- Employment Development Department (EDD)
- IEHP

And many more!

This WIOA Title-I financially assisted program and EDD, is an equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Requests for services, aids, and/or alternate formats need to be made prior to the event by calling 1-800-735-2922. TTY users, please call the California Relay Service 711. For federal funding disclosure information, visit workforce.sbcounty.gov/about/ffd.

workforce.sbcounty.gov

Location:

El Garces Historic Train Depot
950 Front Street
Needles, CA 92363

Services Provided:

- Birth, Death and Marriage Certificates via ARC mobile unit
- Record Clearing/Expungement



REGISTER HERE:

HDJobs032024.eventbrite.com

America's JobCenter
of CaliforniaSM



NEWS RELEASE

San Bernardino County
Supervisor Dawn Rowe

February 21, 2024

CONTACT:
Steve Reyes
Field Representative
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Supervisor Rowe Announces Needles Job and Resource Fair

SAN BERNARDINO—San Bernardino County Third District Supervisor Dawn Rowe announced that there will be a County Job and Resource Fair on March 20 at the El Garces Historic Train Depot located at 950 Front Street in Needles. It will run from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

This will be the second consecutive year for the event and San Bernardino County has deployed a number of agencies to one location in the Needles area. Residents of the Tri-State area can access various resources from county, state, and local organizations.

Supervisor Dawn Rowe said, “Last year, over 100 local residents took advantage of county and local resources and I hope this year’s event will be even more successful.”

At the Resource Fair, representatives from the County Assessor-Recorder-Clerk office will be issuing copies of vital records (birth, death, and marriage certificates), providing document recording, and property assessment information. The San Bernardino County Public Defender’s office will also be on hand to offer record-clearing and expungement assistance. In addition, the San Bernardino County Department of Veterans Affairs will be available to answer questions about VA benefits and claims-related questions and issue County Veteran ID cards.

Other participating agencies will include:

- County Workforce Development Board
- County Department of Behavioral Health
- County Transitional Assistance Department
- Veterans Affairs
- Needles Chamber of Commerce
- Colorado River Medical Center
- Tri-State Community Healthcare
- Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 404
- Tri State Community Health Care

Advance registration for the event is optional but encouraged, especially for those seeking help with veteran’s benefits, record-clearing, or employment resources. Residents can obtain registration information by visiting bosd3.sbcounty.gov/calendar or by calling 760-366-1414.

Supervisor Dawn Rowe has served on the San Bernardino Board of Supervisors since 2018. She is currently Chair of the Board and represents the Third District, which includes Needles.

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3. RIVERSEDGE GOLF COURSE ARTWORK



5. NEEDLES HIGH SCHOOL STATE TOURNAMENT



*Home Of
The Mustangs*





7. COMMUNITY EVENT CALENDAR


January 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES - CANCELLED	3 PLANNING COMMISSION	4 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	5 ROV BALLOT MOBILE 10AM	6
7	8	9 CITY COUNCIL	10	11	12	13 BLUES GOLF TOURNAMENT
14	15 PARKS & RECREATION	16 BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES Womens Club 305 W Broadway Program Meeting 12pm	17	18 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	19 SBCTA MOUNT / DESERT CANCELLED	20 MONTHLY GOLF CLINIC BY JJ - 10AM
21	22 MDAQMD - CITY HALL - CM MCCORKLE	23 CITY COUNCIL	24 HOUSING COMMISSION BLOOD DRIVE 8AM - 1PM NHS GYM	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

February 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	2	3
4	5	6 BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES Womens Club 305 W Broadway Business Meeting 12pm	7 SBCTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS - SAN BERNARDINO - MAYOR JERNIGAN PLANNING COMM.	8	9	10 Amore Spaghetti Dinner \$10.00 Salad, pasta, bread, dessert 11am - 2pm Womens Club 305 W Broadway
11	12	13 St. John's Annual Pancake Dinner Pancake Dinner EPISCOPAL CHURCH 2020 J STREET, NEEDLES FAT TUESDAY PANCAKE DINNER 4PM CITY COUNCIL - 6PM <i>Celebrate "Fat Tuesday" with us!</i>	14	15 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	16 SBCTA MOUNT / DESERT ZOOM CITY HALL	17  WILSON INVITE GOLF TOURNAMENT
18	19 <u>PARKS & RECREATION</u>	20 BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES Womens Club 305 W Broadway Program Meeting 12pm	21	22 \$20 Member \$25 Non Member Chamber of Commerce "Good Morning Needles" Business Breakfast 7:30 AM Elks Lodge SBC Sheriff's Dept. Lt. Gault	23	24  LUCKY GREENS GOLF OUTING BY NEEDLES CHAMBER
25	26 MDAQMD - CITY HALL - CM MCCORKLE	27 <u>CITY COUNCIL</u>	28 <u>HOUSING COMMISSION</u>	29		

March 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5 BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES Womens Club 305 W Broadway Business Meeting 12pm	6 SBCTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS - SAN BERNARDINO - MAYOR JERNIGAN PLANNING COMM.	7 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	8	9  NEEDLES EAGLES AUCTION DINNER & POKER RUN 729 FRONT ST
10	11	12 <u>CITY COUNCIL</u>	13	14	15 SBCTA MOUNT / DESERT ZOOM CITY HALL RT 66 GIRLS SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT - 15 TEAMS	16 RT 66 GIRLS SOFTBALL TNMT Soup and Salad Luncheon \$10.00 soup, salad, dessert 11:00 am - 2:00 pm Womens Club 305 W Broadway
17	18 <u>PARKS & RECREATION</u>	19 BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES Womens Club 305 W Broadway Program Meeting 12pm	20 SB COUNTY RESOURCE FAIR EL GARCES	21 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE NUSD DISTRICT WIDE MUSIC FESTIVAL	22 ART IN THE PARK EL GARCES SANTA FE PARK	23 CRAFT FAIR & TOUR OF EL GARCES SANTA FE PARK
24	25 MDAQMD - CITY HALL - CM MCCORKLE	26 <u>CITY COUNCIL</u>	27 <u>HOUSING COMMISSION</u>	28 \$20 Member \$25 Non Member Chamber of Commerce "Good Morning Needles" Business Breakfast 7:30 AM Elks Lodge SBC DA Jason Anderson	29	30 TRI STATE EASTER EGG HUNT SANTA FE PARK

April 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES Womens Club 305 W Broadway Business Meeting 12pm	3 SBCTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS - SAN BERNARDINO - MAYOR JERNIGAN PLANNING COMM.	4 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	5 45TH ANNUAL RODEO, BARBECUE & DANCE	6
7	8	9 <u>CITY COUNCIL</u>	10	11	12	13 Annual Flower Show 8am - 12pm Womens Club 305 W Broadway
14	15 <u>PARKS & RECREATION</u>	16 BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES Womens Club 305 W Broadway Program Meeting 12pm	17	18 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	19	A 20
21	22 MDAQMD - CITY HALL - CM MCCORKLE	23 <u>CITY COUNCIL</u>	24 HOUSING COMMISSION	25	26	27
28	29	30	NEEDLES SELIGMAN BIKE RUN			

May 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 SBCTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS - SAN BERNARDINO - MAYOR JERNIGAN PLANNING COMM. 4pm	2 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	3	4
5	6	7 BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES 4pm Womens Club 305 W Broadway Business Meeting 12pm	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 <u>CITY COUNCIL</u>	15 RUN FOR THE WALL EL GARCES SANTA FE PARK	16 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	17	18
19	20 <u>PARKS & RECREATION 4pm</u>	21 BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES 4pm Womens Club 305 W Broadway Program Meeting 12pm	22 <u>HOUSING COMMISSION 4pm</u>	23	24	25
26	27 MDAQMD - CITY HALL - CM MCCORKLE	28 <u>CITY COUNCIL</u>	29 First Institute Ribbon Cutting 10:30am	30	31	

June 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4 BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES	5 SBCTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS - SAN BERNARDINO - MAYOR JERNIGAN PLANNING COMM.	6 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	7	8
9	10	11 CITY COUNCIL	12	13	14	15
16	17 PARKS & RECREATION	18 BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES	19	20 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	21	22
23	24	25 CITY COUNCIL	26 HOUSING COMMISSION	27	28	29

July 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES	3 SBCTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS - SAN BERNARDINO - MAYOR JERNIGAN PLANNING COMM.	4 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	5	6
7	8	9 CITY COUNCIL	10	11	12	13
14	15 PARKS & RECREATION	16 BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES	17	18 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	19	20
21	22	23 CITY COUNCIL	24 HOUSING COMMISSION	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

August 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	2	3
4	5	6 <u>BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES</u>	7 SBCTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS - SAN BERNARDINO - MAYOR JERNIGAN PLANNING COMM.	8	9	10
11	12	13 <u>CITY COUNCIL</u>	14	15 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	16	17
18	19 <u>PARKS & RECREATION</u>	20 <u>BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES</u>	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 <u>CITY COUNCIL</u>	28 <u>HOUSING COMMISSION</u>	29	30	31

September 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES	4 SBCTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS - SAN BERNARDINO - MAYOR JERNIGAN PLANNING COMM.	5 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	6	7
8	9	10 CITY COUNCIL	11	12	13	14
15	16 PARKS & RECREATION	17 BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES	18	19 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	20	21
22	23	24 CITY COUNCIL	25 HOUSING COMMISSION	26	27	28
29	30					

October 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES Womens Club 305 W Broadway Business Meeting 12pm	2 SBCTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS - SAN BERNARDINO - MAYOR JERNIGAN PLANNING COMM.	3 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	4	5
6	7	8 <u>CITY COUNCIL</u>	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES Womens Club 305 W Broadway Program Meeting 12pm	16	17 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	18	19
20	21 <u>PARKS & RECREATION</u>	22 <u>CITY COUNCIL</u>	23 <u>HOUSING COMMISSION</u>	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

November 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5 BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES Womens Club 305 W Broadway Business Meeting 12pm	6 SBCTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS - SAN BERNARDINO - MAYOR JERNIGAN PLANNING COMM.	7 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	8	9
10	11	12 <u>CITY COUNCIL</u>	13	14	15	16
17	18 <u>PARKS & RECREATION</u>	19 BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES Womens Club 305 W Broadway Business Meeting 12pm	20	21 TRI STATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOOD DRIVE	22	23
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December 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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MEMORANDUM

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: PATRICK J. MARTINEZ, CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: WEEKLY MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 1, 2024

1. Experience the thrill of sports tourism as the City of Needles hosts three dynamic tournaments this weekend, offering an electrifying spectacle for participants and spectators alike.

- 1. Colorado River Baseball Invitational**

- **Teams:** Five (5)
- **Venues:** Needles High School, River Valley High School, Mohave High School
- **Date:** February 29, 2024- March 2, 2024 (refer to attached schedule)

- 2. 17th Annual Needles Spring Classic Youth Basketball**

- **Teams:** Twenty-six (26)
- **Venues:** Needles High School, Needles Rec Center, and FMIT Wellness Center
- **Date:** March 2, 2024-March 3, 2024 (refer to attached schedule)

- 3. Colorado River Invitational Softball Tournament**

- **Teams:** Sixteen (16)
- **Venues:** Nikki Bunch/Franz Flowers Ball Fields
- **Date:** February 29, 2024- March 2, 2024 (refer to attached schedule)

Join in celebrating the essence of sportsmanship and community spirit. The community's support undoubtedly contributes to the success of these events and add to the electric atmosphere that defines the City of Needles.

2. In July last year, City Staff presented comprehensive audit results on Needles Aquatic facilities to the City Council, outlining recommendations and estimating costs at \$5 million. Currently, City Staff is actively securing grant financing for essential long-term upgrades.

On February 13, 2024, the City Council allocated \$15,000 for immediate enhancements to improve the main pool, slide, and deck (refer to attached photos for a status update). These upgrades are scheduled for completion in preparation for the opening of the Needles Aquatics Center on June 1, 2024. Residents can enjoy lap swimming, water aerobics, swim lessons, and open swimming at the Needles Aquatics Center. The Needles Aquatics Center is located at 1101 Civic Center Dr, Needles, CA 92363. For the pool schedule and pricing, visit the City of Needles [website](#).

3. In February of last year, the City Council approved the installation of two new streetlights on the East Side of Clary Drive. We are delighted to inform you that these installations have been completed. To report any streetlight outages, kindly contact the City of Needles billing office at 760-326-2115, press #9, or use the user-friendly Needles Connect app, available for download on Android and Apple devices. Visual reference is provided in the attached image.
4. Nikki Bunch, a distinguished member of the Needles High School Class, made significant contributions to both city and school athletic programs. The community was profoundly impacted by the untimely loss of Nikki Bunch in 1974. In a celebratory and heartfelt tribute to her memory, the City, in collaboration with the community and her family, erected and dedicated the softball fields in her honor. A commemorative plaque at Nikki Bunch Field now stands as a testament to her enduring impact and our community's spirit of unity. Visual reference is provided in the attached image.
5. On February 29, 2024, City Officials and Staff enthusiastically attended the grand reopening of First Institute Training and Management Inc. The organization offers out-of-school Workforce Development programs to prepare young adults (ages 16-24) for employment. Through various skill development initiatives, the program aids young adults in overcoming barriers to education and employment by addressing individual needs and goals. First Institute Training and Management Inc. is conveniently located at 305 D Street, Needles, CA 92363. Please visit their [website](#) or refer to the attached flyer for additional details.
6. Congratulations to the Needles High School boys' and girls' basketball teams for their impressive victory in securing the NIAA 2A State Championships last Friday. The City Council will honor both teams at the March 12, 2024, meeting. A triumphant victory parade welcomed the State Champions back home after their success. Attached are photos capturing the highlights of this remarkable achievement and celebration.
7. On February 24, 2024, the Needles Chamber of Commerce flawlessly orchestrated its second annual Lucky Greens Golf Tournament, set against the stunning backdrop of the City of Needles Rivers Edge Golf Course. The event owed its success to the generous sponsorship of Tri-State Community Healthcare, Tri-State Wifi, Teamsters Local 1932, and Billet Health. A total of 14 competitive teams contended for victory, culminating in the triumph of Zarek Phillips' Team – a standout collective featuring a City of Needles employee and former NIAA State

Champ – securing the coveted top prize with an impressive aggregate score of 56.80.

For those considering hosting a golf tournament at the esteemed Rivers Edge Golf Course, please get in touch with JJ DeLeon at 760-326-3931. To catch a glimpse of the triumph and camaraderie that characterized this successful event, we invite you to explore the attached photo.

8. The California City Managers Foundation (CCMF) humbly works to nurture excellence in city management across California's 480+ incorporated cities and towns. Dedicated to its mission, CCMF actively assists current city managers by offering education, training, and a platform to celebrate their accomplishments and the broader profession. Through its Profiles in Management series, the organization shares the experiences and insights of city managers from diverse corners of the state.

In the most recent edition of the series, the City of Needles City Manager had the privilege of being interviewed. For those interested in exploring this spotlight, follow this [link](#) or refer to the attached document.

1. COMMUNITY TOURNAMENTS

Colorado River Baseball Invitational Feb. 29th, March 1, 2 2024



ALL GAMES CA TIME	Field 1 – Needles High School		Field 2 – River Valley High School		Field 3 – Mohave High School
Thursday 2-29-24				Wed 2-28-24 6:00 PM	HOLTVILLE vs MOHAVE
8:00 AM	HOLTVILLE vs NEEDLES				
10:30 AM	HOLTVILLE vs SPRING CREEK	10:30 AM	KINGMAN ACADAMY vs PAHRUMP	10:00 AM	MOHAVE vs CENTRAL
1:00 PM	PAHRUMP vs SOUTHWEST	1:00 PM	RIVER VALLEY vs CENTRAL	12:30 PM	WENDOVER vs WILLIAMS
3:30 PM	NEEDLES vs SOUTHWEST	3:30 PM	SPRING CREEK vs KINGMAN ACADAMY	3:00 PM	WILLIAMS vs LOWRY
		6:00PM	WENDOVER vs RIVER VALLEY	5:30 PM	LOWRY vs MOHAVE
Friday 3-1-24					
8:00 AM	River Valley (JV) vs Needles (JV)				
10:30 AM	HOLTVILLE vs WILLIAMS	10:00 AM	SOUTHWEST vs KIGMAN ACADAMY	10:30 AM	LOWRY vs WENDOVER
1:00 PM	NEEDLES vs HOLTVILLE	1:00 PM	CENTRAL vs SPRING CREEK	1:00 PM	KINGMAN ACADAMY vs WENDOVER
3:30 PM	SPRING CREEK vs WILLIAMS	3:30 PM	LOWRY vs RIVER VALLEY	3:30 PM	SOUTHWEST vs PAHRUMP
		6:15 PM	PAHRUMP vs RIVER VALLEY	6:00 PM	CENTRAL vs MOHAVE
Saturday 3-2-24					
8:00 AM	LOWRY vs NEEDLES	8:00 AM	PAHRUMP vs CENTRAL	8:00 AM	MOHAVE vs SPRING CREEK
10:30 AM	CENTRAL vs NEEDLES	10:30 AM	SOUTHWEST vs RIVER VALLEY	10:30 AM	KINGMAN ACADAMY vs WILLIAMS

Colorado River Invitational Softball Tournament 2024

		Bracket Play 6 Innings		Championship 7 Innings	
POOL A		POOL B		POOL C	
Faith Lutheran		Aquinas		Coachella	
Palo Verde Blythe		Doral		Legacy	
Tolleson		Fernley		Lowry	
Williams		Sierra Vista		Needles	
	Friday 1st Round				
	B#1				
	NB 1:30 PM G1				
Sat	G#4	Sat			
11:00AM NB G13		9:30AM NB			
	R#2	Game 9			
	NB 6:00 PM G7				
	Y#3				
			2:00PM NB		
	Y#2		Game 17		
	FF 6:00 PM G8				
Sat	R#3	Sat			
11:00AM FF G14		9:30AM FF			
	G#1	Game 10			
	FF 1:30PM G2				
	B#4				
				Sat	
	R#1			4:00PM NB	
	NB 4:30PM G5			Game 19	Championship
Sat	Y#4	Sat			
12:30PM NB G15		8:00AM NB			
	B#2	Game 11			
	NB 3:00PM G3				
	G#3				
			2:00PM FF		
	G#2		Game 18		
	FF 3:00PM G4				
Sat	B#3	Sat			
12:30PM FF G16		8:00AM FF			
	Y#1	Game 12			
	FF 4:30PM G6				
	R#4				
Top Team Denotes Home Team - Home Team Is In 3rd Base Dugout.					
ALL TIMES Are California Time		Home Teams will keep official book.			
Run Rules & Time will be in affect for Pool Play & Bracket Play.					
Bracket Play Run Rule - 10 after 4 - 8 after 5		Bracket Play time limit 80 Min.			
Even Seeds will flip a coin to determine home team.					
International Tie Breaker will be used for games that end in a tie. NO TIES.					
If a CA team runs out of games, their opponent will move on no matter the outcome of the game.					

2024 Needles Spring Classic Tournament Gym Schedule

SATURDAY

Needles Recreation Center		Needles High School		Wellness Center	
8:00 AM	3/4 B #2	8:00 AM	7/8 B #1	8:00 AM	3/4 B #1
9:00 AM	5/6 B #1	9:00 AM	7/8 G #1	9:00 AM	3/4 G #1
10:00 AM	5/6 G #2	10:00 AM	7/8 B #2	10:00 AM	5/6 G #1
11:00 AM		11:00 AM	7/8 B #3	11:00 AM	5/6 B #2
12:00 PM	3/4 G #2	12:00 PM	7/8 G #2	12:00 PM	3/4 B #3
1:00 PM		1:00 PM	7/8 B #4	1:00 PM	5/6 G #3
2:00 PM	5/6 B #3	2:00 PM	7/8 B #5	2:00 PM	3/4 B #5
3:00 PM	3/4 B #4	3:00 PM	7/8 G #3		
4:00 PM	3/4 G #3	4:00 PM	7/8 B #6		
5:00 PM	5/6 B #4	5:00 PM	7/8 B #7		
6:00 PM	5/6 G #4	6:00 PM	7/8 B #8		
7:00 PM	3/4 G #4	7:00 PM	7/8 B #9		
8:00 PM	3/4 B #6	8:00 PM	7/8 G #4		
9:00 PM	5/6 B #5	9:00 PM	7/8 B #10		

SUNDAY

Needles Recreation Center		Needles High School	
8:00 AM	3/4 B #8	8:00 AM	7/8 B #11
9:00 AM	5/6 G #5	9:00 AM	7/8 B #12
10:00 AM	5/6 G #6	10:00 AM	7/8 G #5
11:00 AM	5/6 B #6	11:00 AM	7/8 B #13
12:00 PM	3/4 G #5	12:00 PM	5/6 G #7 (Championship)
1:00 PM	3/4 B #7	1:00 PM	5/6 B #7 (Championship)
2:00 PM	3/4 G #6 (Championship)	2:00 PM	7/8 G #6 (Championship)
3:00 PM	3/4 B #9 (Championship)	3:00 PM	7/8 B #14 (Championship)

NEEDLES SPRING CLASSIC YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT MARCH 2 ~ 3, 2024

3rd & 4th GRADE GIRLS

Team #1 Beaumont

Team #2 29 Palms

Team #3 Needles

Day & Time	Teams	Site
Game #1 Sat. 9:00 am	1 VS 2	WC
Game #2 Sat. 12:00 pm	2 VS 3	NRC
Game #3 Sat. 4:00 pm	3 VS 1	NRC



NRC - Needles Rec. Center
WC - Wellness Center

AWARD CEREMONIES WILL BE
@ 3:45pm AT NEEDLES HIGH
SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING THE 8TH GRADE
BOYS CHAMPIONSHIP GAME
ON SUNDAY

ALL TIMES LISTED ARE CALIFORNIA

NEEDLES SPRING CLASSIC
YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
MARCH 2 ~ 3, 2024

3rd ~ 4th GRADE BOYS

Team #1 29 Palms
Team #2 Vegas Pandas
Team #3 Needles
Team #4 Beaumont
Team #5 P~Town Parker



AWARD CEREMONIES WILL BE @ 3:45PM AT
NEEDLES HIGH SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING THE 8TH GRADE BOYS
CHAMPIONSHIP GAME ON SUNDAY.

NRC- Needles Recreation Center
WC - Wellness Center

ALL TIMES LISTED ARE CALIFORNIA

NEEDLES SPRING CLASSIC
YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

March 2 ~ 3, 2024

5th & 6th GRADE GIRLS

Team #1	29 Palms
Team #2	Needles
Team #3	Vegas Pandas
Team #4	Beaumont

29 Palms

Game #1
WC
Sat. 10:00 am

Beaumont

Needles

Game #2
NRC
Sat. 10:00 am

Vegas Pandas

Game #4
NRC
6:00 pm

Game #7
NHS
Sun. 12:00 pm

Winner

Loser 4

Game #5
NRC
Sun. 9:00 am

Loser 1

Game #3
WC
Sat. 1:00 pm

Loser 2

Loser 5

Game #6
NRC
Sun. 10:00 am

Loser 3

AWARD CEREMONIES WILL BE @ 3:45PM AT
NEEDLES HIGH SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING THE 8TH GRADE BOYS
CHAMPIONSHIP GAME ON SUNDAY

NRC - Needles Recreation Center

WC - Wellness Center

NHS - Needles High School

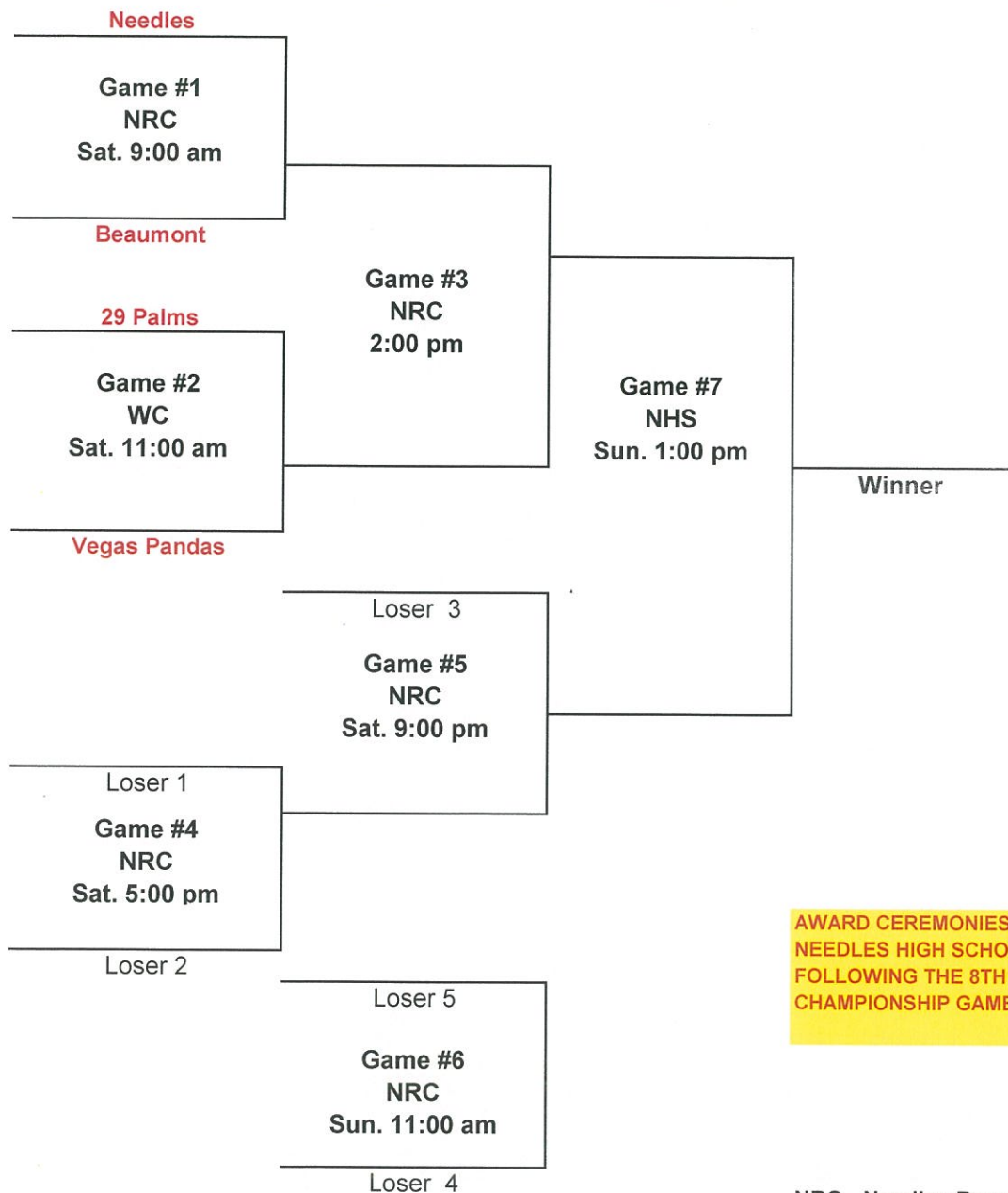
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NEEDLES SPRING CLASSIC
YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

March 2 ~ 3, 2024

5th ~ 6th GRADE BOYS

Team #1	Needles
Team #2	29 Palms
Team #3	Vegas Pandas
Team #4	Beaumont



AWARD CEREMONIES WILL BE @ 3:45PM AT
NEEDLES HIGH SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING THE 8TH GRADE BOYS
CHAMPIONSHIP GAME ON SUNDAY

NRC - Needles Recreation Center
WC - Wellness Center
NHS - Needles High School

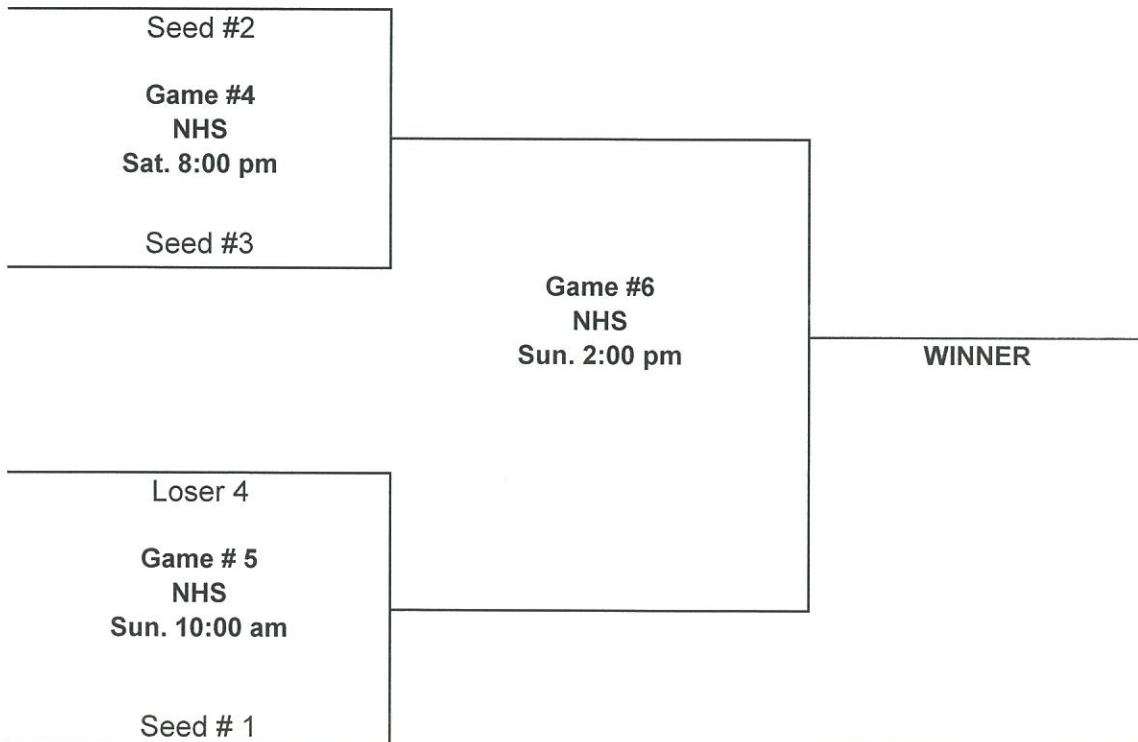
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NEEDLES SPRING CLASSIC YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT MARCH 2 ~ 3, 2024

7th ~ 8th GRADE GIRLS

Team #1 Beaumont
Team #2 29 Palms
Team #3 Needles

Day & Time	Teams	Site
Game #1 Sat. 9:00 am	1 VS 2	NHS
Game #2 Sat. 12:00 pm	2 VS 3	NHS
Game #3 Sat. 3:00 pm	3 VS 1	NHS



NHS - Needles High School

AWARD CEREMONIES WILL BE
@ 3:45pm AT NEEDLES HIGH
SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING THE 8TH GRADE
BOYS CHAMPIONSHIP GAME
ON SUNDAY

ALL TIMES LISTED ARE CALIFORNIA

NEEDLES SPRING CLASSIC BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

MARCH 2 ~ 3, 2024

7 ~ 8th GRADE BOYS

Team #1 29 Palms	Team #2 Needles
Team #3 Beaumont	Team #4 Ty's Warriors
Team #5 29 Palms Falcons	Team #6 Hualapai Rec.
Team #7 Needles White	



AWARD CEREMONIES WILL BE
@ 3:45PM AT NEEDLES HIGH
SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING THE BOYS
CHAMPIONSHIP GAME ON
SUNDAY.

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2. AQUATIC CENTER PROJECT STATUS



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3. CLARY STREETLIGHT INSTALLATION



4. NIKKI BUNCH COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE



5. FIRST INSTITUTE GRAND REOPENING

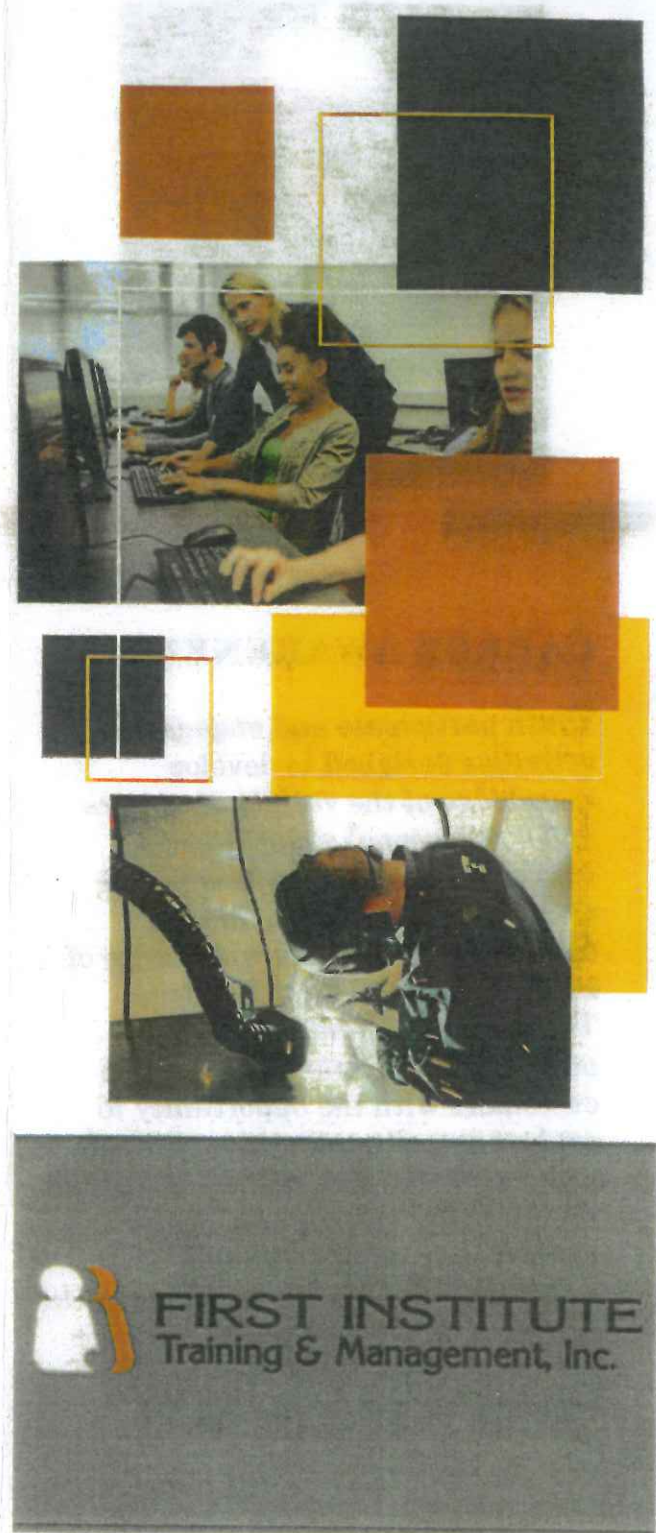
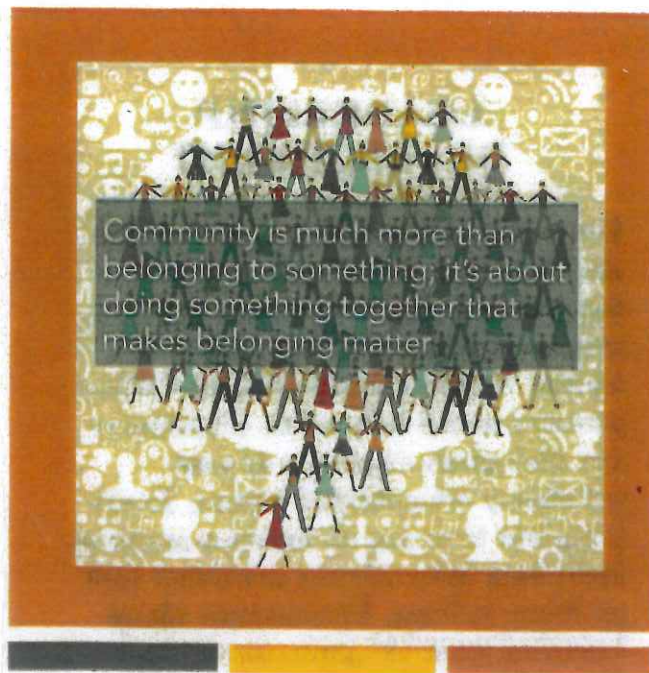


ABOUT FITM

First Institute Training & Management, Inc., has been providing Out-of-School Workforce Development programs since 2005. Our programs prepare them for employment through various programs that develop their skills. The program assists young adults in overcoming barriers to education and employment by targeting the individual needs and goals of each participant. Participants are prepared to enter many growing, in-demand careers including Medical Office Assistant, Welding Technology, and Business Computer Applications.

SERVICES INCLUDE:

- Outreach/Recruitment
- Community Collaboration
- Federal/State and Local subsidies for occupational skills training
- Industry Recognized Credential Programs
- Career Pathways/Planning Development
- Paid Work Experience
- Case Management
- Life Skills Development
- Follow-up Services





CAREER AWARENESS

Youth participate and engage in activities designed to develop knowledge of the variety of careers and occupational opportunities available, working conditions and training prerequisites, and job opportunities across a wide range of industry sectors. First Institute Training and Management has partnered with Transfr to provide customers with the opportunity to explore career possibilities through new age technology known as virtual reality (VR). Transfr empowers youth/young adults through comprehensive career development to navigate new career paths, enhance job satisfaction, and adapt to the evolving workforce through VR.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Customers participate in leadership development opportunities which encouraged leadership development, responsibility, confidence, employability, self-determination, and other positive social behaviors. Customers are also given exposure to post-secondary educational routes. Youth complete training in decision-making, including determining priorities and problem-solving. Discussions about bringing your "A" game to work are focused on work performance, attire, attitude and expectations on the job.



“Eventhough it may get dark at times, you will always find something that will bring light to your life. FITM is my light.”

-La-Tiarra Haar

Current Customer

FINANCIAL LITERACY

First Institute Training and Management has partnered with Chase Bank to share their creation of a six-week Financial Literacy Course equipping students with the essential tools to manage their finances. The financial literacy course focuses on financial issues that students will encounter in their everyday lives such as comprehension of budgeting, investing, credit and debt, planning for savings and retirement, understanding taxes and insurance, and navigating financial institutions and systems.

5. FIRST INSTITUTE GRAND REOPENING



6. NHS STATE CHAMPIONS



6. NHS STATE CHAMPIONS



7. NEEDLES CHAMBER GOLF TOURNAMENT



8. CCMF PROFILES IN MANAGEMENT

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What inspired you to enter city management?

From a young age, my interest in city management was sparked. The influence of my parents, who were dedicated public servants and educators, played a pivotal role in inspiring my journey into city management. Growing up in an environment where public service and civic engagement were highly valued instilled in me a profound sense of responsibility and a genuine desire to contribute to the well-being of my community. Having parents who were educators provided a firsthand view of the importance of public service and exposed me to the significance of active community involvement. Witnessing their work's impactful role in shaping others' lives became a powerful motivation for me to pursue a similar path—one where I could make a positive difference through the avenues of local government and city management. I have a servant leadership style that prioritizes the well-being and

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development of my team members by focusing on their needs. I see myself as a coach who helps encourage and support my employees, and that helped contribute to my choosing to be a city manager because I have the opportunity to build a team to achieve the common goals of the community.

How did you become a city manager?

Embarking on the journey to become a city manager, my career in local government has evolved through a robust background in policy, planning, and real estate development. This multidimensional foundation has played a crucial role in effectively addressing every community's diverse development and economic needs.

My professional journey began as a development director for the city of Needles in 2017, a pivotal role that immersed me in the intricacies of policy formulation, urban planning and the dynamic world of real estate development. Recognizing the essential role these elements play in fostering community growth, I deeply understood the interconnectedness between physical layout, economic aspirations and the enhancement of city services.

Subsequently, I was promoted to assistant city manager, where I oversaw the development services department and assumed additional responsibilities as required by the city manager. This progression was facilitated by the guidance and mentorship of my predecessor, who took me under his wing, supporting my professional growth and positioning me as the leading candidate for the position upon his retirement. I assumed the role in October of 2023, after my predecessor was in the role for ten years. I didn't just want to be a city manager for any

city; I wanted to be the city manager for the community where I raised my children.

In addition to my hands-on experience, my educational journey has fortified my role as a city manager. Having pursued formal education at the University of Southern California, I earned a Bachelor of Science in public policy and real estate development, a master's degree in urban planning, and a master's certificate in real estate development. Complementing these academic credentials, I completed certification programs at California State University, Fresno, through the California Association for Local Economic Development. Furthermore, I am recognized as an Accredited California Economic Developer. Additional qualifications include a master's Certificate from ICMA for their High-Performance Leadership Course and completion of the Stanford Local Summer Institute Class of 2023. These credentials collectively empower me with theoretical knowledge and practical insights, enabling me to adeptly navigate and address the multifaceted challenges inherent in city management.

What do you enjoy most about being a city manager?

Nestled on the eastern edge of the Mohave Desert, where California converges with Arizona and Nevada, lies the city of Needles—a small, remote, and rural community often dubbed the East Coast of California. Serving as the gateway to California along the I-40 from Arizona, our city holds a distinctive position with its unique geography and landscape.

Despite facing challenges in our economically disadvantaged community, I consider myself fortunate to be an integral part of this special place. In my role as city manager, I find immense satisfaction in actively

contributing to the economic growth of the city of Needles. This position provides me with a valuable platform to attract businesses, foster job creation and drive economic development, ultimately enhancing the prosperity of our community. Daily, I encounter complex challenges, and I thoroughly enjoy problem-solving; the roles provide ample opportunities to address infrastructure, public services and community development issues.

Every day, I dedicate myself to the noble cause of improving the quality of life for our residents. It's a privilege to work towards creating a more vibrant and thriving environment, and I take pride in the positive impact we can collectively make on the lives of those who call the city of Needles home.

What role does a city manager play in local government, and how do you feel it differs from that of a Council Member or Mayor?

In the intricate framework of local government, the city manager assumes a pivotal role often likened to being the mechanic, as my predecessor aptly put it. While the City Council establishes the overarching goals for the city, it becomes the city manager's responsibility to adeptly lead a team and cultivate a collaborative work environment to bring these objectives to fruition.

My role as a conductor is orchestrating the efforts of a dedicated team to align with the vision set by the City Council. Working collectively towards the common goals outlined by the Council is a professional obligation and a personally rewarding endeavor. The ultimate aim is to enhance the quality of life for residents and contribute significantly to the city's overall well-being.

In contrast to the roles of Council Members and Mayors, who are instrumental in goal-setting and policy formulation, a city manager is focused on translating these objectives into actionable plans. The emphasis lies in execution, ensuring that the strategies devised collectively contribute tangibly to the community's advancement. It is both a privilege and a responsibility to guide this process, ensuring that the city's goals align seamlessly with the needs and aspirations of its residents.

What does a typical day look like?

During a typical day, a significant part of my role involves ensuring that the City Council is well-informed about pertinent events unfolding within our community. This is particularly crucial when anticipating community inquiries. I proactively engage with my department heads, fostering open discussions about ongoing projects and collaboratively addressing any challenges they may encounter.

A key aspect of my day is also dedicated to addressing unforeseen issues that “walk in through the door.” I’ve come to appreciate that it’s not merely the meetings we plan for but, more significantly, the impromptu discussions and concerns that unexpectedly arise. These unplanned interactions often require immediate attention and a thoughtful, responsive approach.

My daily routine revolves around maintaining a constant flow of communication with the City Council, collaborating with department heads to navigate ongoing projects and being readily available to address the unanticipated matters that inevitably emerge. This adaptive and hands-on approach ensures that I am attuned to the pulse of our city, enabling me to effectively lead and respond to the evolving needs of our community.

What city project are you most proud of?

In October 2023, I assumed the role of the city manager. It only took three months before I worked with my council to declare a citywide emergency. On January 23, 2024, city staff faced a significant challenge when the city's only pharmacy announced its closure. This posed a severe concern for the 3,000 Medi-Cal patients (2,300 IEHP Patients) who relied on Rite-Aid for their pharmaceutical needs over the past two years. To provide context, Needles has a population of 5,200, with 33% of the residents over 55 and over half receiving government subsidies. The City Council took decisive action on January 30, 2024, by formally adopting Resolution No. 2024-7, declaring a Local Emergency in response to the pharmacy closure. This resolution empowers the city manager to proactively seek essential goods, services and mutual aid from neighboring local agencies, the county of San Bernardino and the state of California. The strategic initiative is designed to ensure the swift acquisition of abundant resources to address the immediate emergency, facilitating the procurement of aid and services. This ensures that residents of Needles maintain uninterrupted access to critical medications and essential goods and services. Through a collaborative effort and a cross-agency initiative, city staff successfully worked with the private sector to establish five pharmacies in Arizona that are now accepting Medi-Cal patients, with one that will deliver to Needles. This proactive approach has enabled us to address the needs of our residents swiftly and effectively. I also utilized our Needles Area Transit Service to have a bus go into Arizona twice a week to provide residents who do not have transportation access to their pharmaceutical needs.

What are the greatest challenges facing city managers in the state today?

- Homelessness
- Housing Affordability and Availability
- CBRT Ballot Measure (California Business Roundtable)
- Budgetary Constraints
- Infrastructure Maintenance and Upgrades

When and how do you interact with the residents of your city?

Every day, I engage with the residents of my community, whether it's at a Chamber breakfast or a local high school basketball game. Living within my community offers a unique perspective, allowing me to comprehend the real-life impacts of city council decisions fully. Beyond my role, personal connections also contribute to this understanding — my wife is an elementary school teacher, my mother recently retired as the superintendent of Needles Unified School District and my stepfather serves on The Palo Verde Community College Board of Trustees.

In our vibrant small town, brimming with activities, each day provides ample opportunities for interaction. We've established a community calendar, ensuring that all active organizations have a chance to celebrate and connect. Whether it's housing elements, general plan updates or public engagement for grant opportunities, we consistently bring the community together to actively participate in the decision-making process.

What is the role of a city manager in upholding the public's trust in local government?

Maintaining a transparent civic environment hinges on the crucial role of a city manager in building and preserving the public's trust. I often emphasize that clear communication is the linchpin to establishing and nurturing this trust. Upon assuming the city manager role, I prioritized weekly updates to keep the public well-informed about city events. Whether detailing park construction progress, addressing ongoing emergencies or providing storm preparation tips, the goal was to offer clear and accessible information through a weekly city managers memo. This proactive approach not only holds the city manager and staff accountable but also showcases our active engagement with the community.

During recent emergencies, open and transparent communication became paramount. I recognized the importance of accuracy and clarity in our messages, ensuring that the public received timely information during challenging times. This commitment to transparency fostered trust and underscored our dedication to keeping the community well-informed and resilient in the face of adversity.

How has being awarded the Executive Education Grant helped better your skills in the city management profession?

As I progress in my city manager career, I reflect on the pivotal role the Executive Education Grant played that enabled my participation in the 2023 Local Governance Summer Institute at Stanford University. This experience has not only propelled me to the next level but was made possible through the valuable support of the CCMF Scholarship. Operating within a constrained budget, the city of Needles encounters distinctive financial challenges, defined by its economically resilient spirit. The

financial support from CCMF has opened doors that would have otherwise been inaccessible, providing crucial opportunities for our city. Participating in the LGSI has connected me with a network of seasoned city managers and exposed me to innovative problem-solving approaches, leadership skills and strategic thinking essential for navigating the evolving landscape of technological and environmental changes. The experience further provided personal and professional development opportunities through mentorship and coaching.

In a short span, CCMF has enriched my knowledge and connected me with a community of professionals with whom I share a lasting bond. I am deeply grateful for the support that has significantly shaped my career, and I look forward to continued growth and collaboration.

Additional Links:

- <https://www.ca-ilg.org/case-story/big-strides-small-city>
- <https://www.hcd.ca.gov/about-hcd/newsroom/hcd-technical-assistance-helps-city-of-needles-adopt-housing-elements>

February 23rd, 2024

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CCMF Executive Education Grant
Program Complete for 2023-24
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February 29, 2024



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MEMORANDUM

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: PATRICK J. MARTINEZ, CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: WEEKLY MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 8, 2024

1. The Duke Watkins Park Improvement Project, with a budget of \$3,965,400, is making notable strides forward. This Thursday marked the arrival and installation of the prefabricated restroom, complemented by the new central sewer line installation. Furthermore, the fields show signs of rejuvenation, with the grass visibly turning green. For a closer look at this week's advancements, please refer to the attached image, which vividly captures the ongoing progress.
2. The Needles Aquatic Center was drained in October for evaluations and repairs. Off-season improvements include slide maintenance, equipment updates, lighting fixes, and swimming feature repairs. City Staff utilized the funding recently allocated by the City Council to replace damaged tiles, fill cracks, and repaint the main pool, with new lighting installations underway. The decking is also prepped for non-slip painting, ensuring the Needles Aquatics Center is ready and safe for the opening on June 1, 2024. Residents can enjoy lap swimming, water aerobics, swim lessons, and open swimming at the Needles Aquatics Center. The Needles Aquatics Center is located at 1101 Civic Center Dr, Needles, CA 92363. For the pool schedule and pricing, visit the City of Needles [website](http://www.cityofneedles.com).
3. City Staff is thrilled to share an update on the Water Service Lateral Replacement Project, which Phillips Excavating kicked off on March 4, 2024. This \$1 million initiative commenced on Erin Drive and is expected to progress until mid-May. Now in its fourth year, the city has dedicated \$2.2 million for the current fiscal year to support essential waterline and street upgrades, as detailed in Exhibit 3, Phase 4A of the project plan.
4. The City Staff is excited to announce a Community Cleanup event on April 20, 2024, at 7 am, in honor of Earth Day. Owing to its success over the years, we've expanded the initiative to include two cleanup sites this year: Jack Smith Park and J Street/Nikki Bunch Fields. There's no need to register; everyone is invited to join

the effort. The City will supply bags, pickers, and gloves for participants. We encourage all community organizations and members to take part. For more details, please refer to the attached flyer or stay updated via our Needles Connect app.

5. On August 8, 2023, the Housing Authority of the City of Needles (HACN) was informed by both the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) of its eligibility to receive 30 HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) vouchers. The HUD-VASH program integrates HUD's Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) rental assistance with the VA's case management and clinical services to support homeless veterans. On March 27, 2024, HACN will hold its inaugural meeting to discuss program updates and engage landlords interested in offering housing through this initiative. For more information, please refer to the attached flyer.
6. On Thursday, March 7, 2024, the Colorado River Station/Needles Police Department, assisted by the Sheriff's Inter-Regional Narcotics Enforcement Team and San Bernardino County Probation, conducted a joint operation in the City of Needles. The operation consisted of 33 team members, with three teams executing ten search warrants in the City of Needles. The warrants led to the arrest of 20 subjects. These subjects were arrested for various crimes, including maintaining a residence for the use of narcotics, possession of narcotics, possession of stolen property, active felony warrants, and possession of manufacturing equipment to make fraudulent credit cards.
This operation was conducted to combat the ongoing battle of violent crimes occurring in the city, coupled with the sales, distribution, and use of Fentanyl, which is a known narcotic that is consuming lives daily in our community. For press releases, news, and information, follow the Colorado River Station on Twitter/X @CORiverStation or Facebook and Instagram at SBCSDColoradoRiverStation. Refer to the attached SBCSO press release for further information.
7. On Friday, March 8, 2024, a meeting occurred between the Housing Authority of the City of Needles (HACN) staff and the Resident Advisory Board (RAB) to refine HACN's Draft Annual Plan. This meeting enabled engaging discussions, with RAB members actively contributing their insights and recommendations, effectively voicing their interests and concerns. This collaborative effort was vital in shaping the strategic direction and focus of the Annual Plan, ensuring it accurately embodies the needs and ambitions of the residents. The Annual Plan will be presented to the Housing Commission on March 27, 2024, followed by a public hearing on April 9, 2024, at the City Council Chambers, 1111 Bailey Avenue, starting at 6 PM. This presentation will occur before the HACN Board of Commissioners, further advancing the plan to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for final approval.

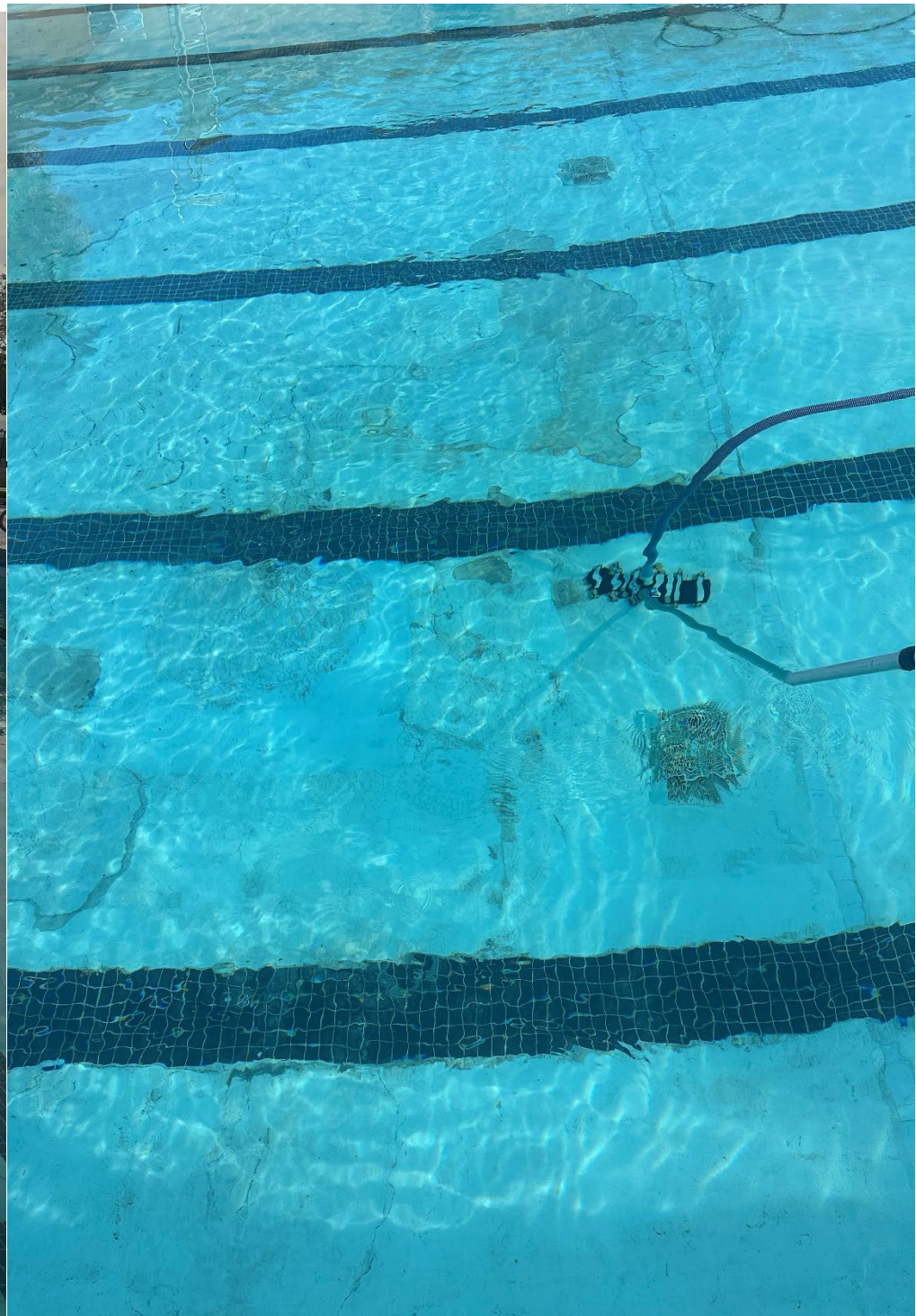
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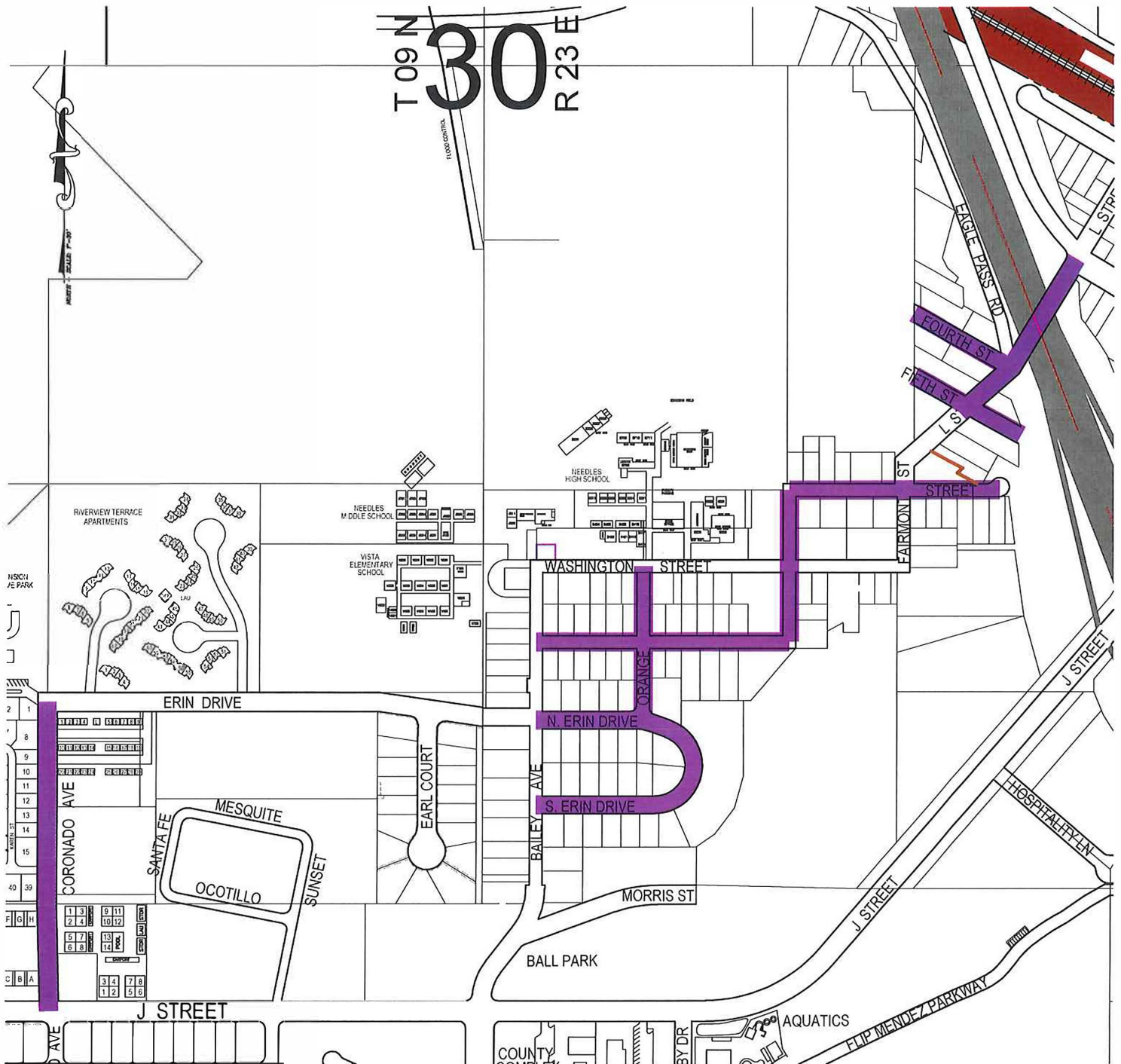
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City of Needles Capital Projects

3. Street Improvements & Water Service Replacement

OBERNOLTE STREET PROJECT



HIGH SCHOOL HILL

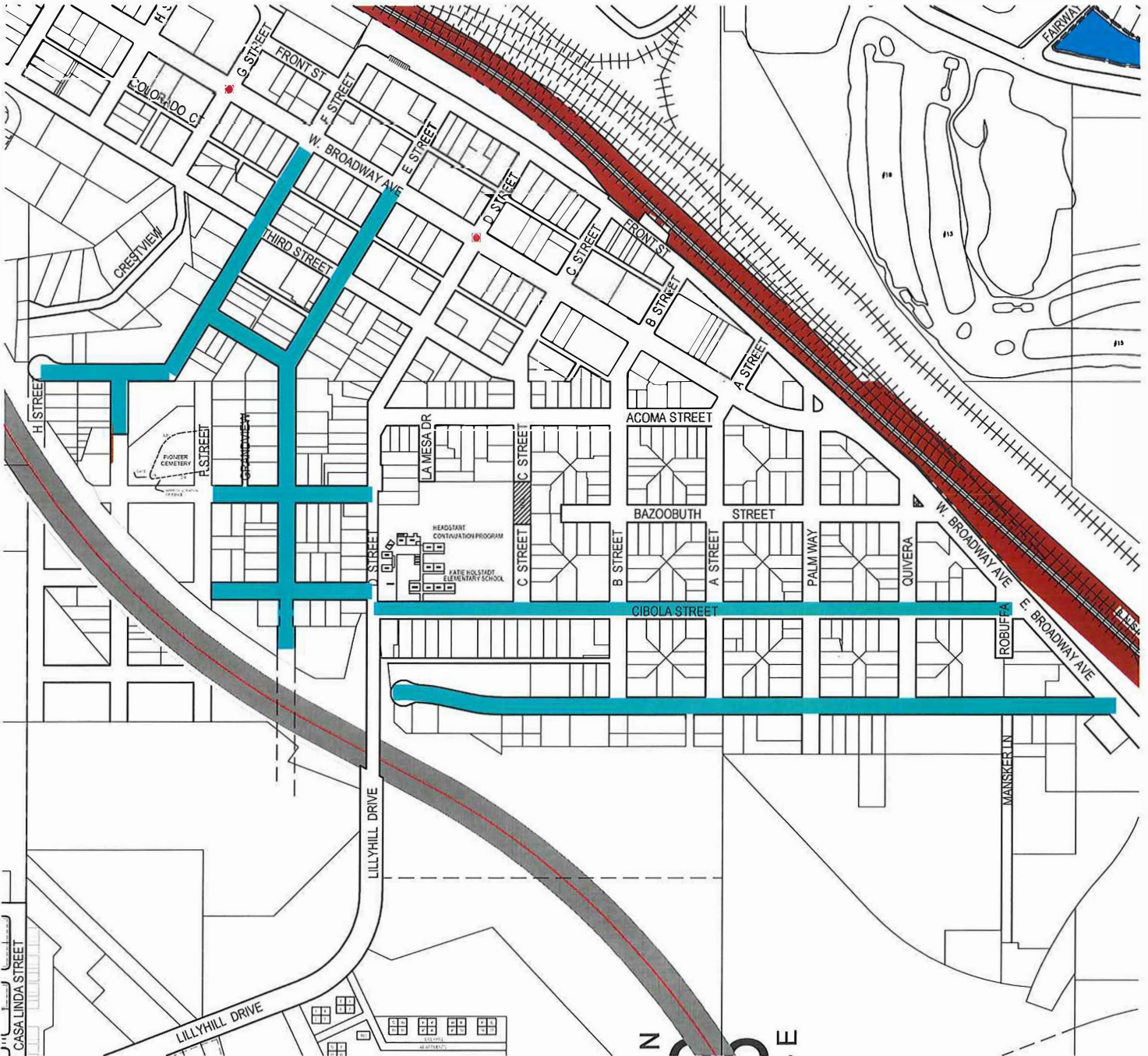
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4TH STREET	(L Street to End)
5TH STREET	(L Street to End)
HIGHLAND STREET	(Park Ave to End)
PARK AVE	(Highland Street to Collins Street)
ORANGE AVE	(Washington Ave to Erin Drive)
COLLINS STREET	((Bailey Ave to Park Ave)
ERIN DRIVE	(Bailey Ave - The Loop)
CORONADO STREET	(Erin Dr to J Street)

LEGEND

Obernolte Water Service Replacements & Street Improvements Project - Awarded by Rep. OBERNOLTE

3. Street Improvements & Water Service Replacement

PHASE 4 A



DOWNTOWN AREA

DESOTO STREET	(D Street to W. Broadway Ave)
CIBOLA STREET	(D Street to W. Broadway Ave)
F STREET / ARMY RD	(Broadway Ave to Interstate 40)
E STREET	(Broadway Ave to Interstate 40)
DOWNEY AVE	(D Street to F Street)
VALLEY AVE	(D Street to F Street)
FOURTH STREET	(F Street to E Street)
G STREET	(@ Army Rd)

LEGEND

 **PHASE 4A - PAVING IMPROVEMENTS**
Including Water Services

4. EARTH DAY COMMUNITY CLEAN UP

SPRING INTO ACTION

TWO LOCATIONS

Community Cleanup Day

Jack Smith Park | 1001 River Rd.

&

J Street | Nikki Bunch Fields

Saturday, April 20, 2024

7 AM - 8 AM

Join your friends and neighbors as we work together to clean our community. No registration required.

The City will provide bags, pickers and gloves!



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5. VETERANS HOUSING



Housing Authority of the City of Needles

COMMUNITY
OPEN HOUSE #1



You're Invited to Support our Local Homeless Veterans

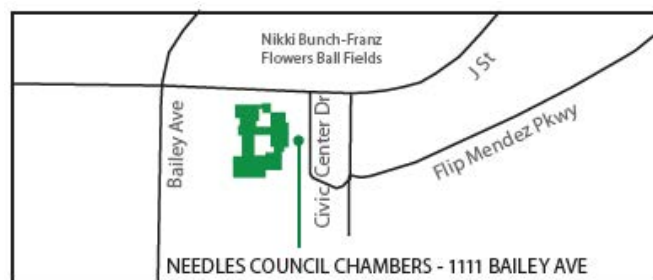
The Housing Authority is hosting its first meeting to provide updates and obtain your thoughts about options for Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) voucher program and Landlord outreach/retention for The Housing Authority City of Needles administrative team and surrounding community partners.

March 27, 2024

4:00 PM start time

**Needles Council
Chambers**

- ❖ Homeless Veterans Support Groups
- ❖ Homeless Veterans Resources
- ❖ Landlord Incentives
- ❖ VASH Voucher Program Process
- ❖ VASH Voucher Application Process



Questions? Want more info? Angelica Deerner | 760-326-2115, ext. 173 |

adeerner@cityofneedles.com **Can't make it?** Contact Angelica or visit cityofneedles.com to take a survey after the event.

6. SBSD - Colorado River Sheriffs Department

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SBSD - Colorado River Sheriffs Department

Thursday March 7th, 2024 :: 06:33 p.m. PST

Advisory

Deputies Conduct a Joint Operation to Combat Violent Crimes and Fentanyl Sales and Use

DATE: March 7, 2024

INCIDENT: OPERATION BLUE RIVER

LOCATION: Needles, CA

VICTIM(S): State of California

SUMMARY: On Thursday, March 7, 2024, the Colorado River Station/Needles Police Department, assisted by the Sheriff's Inter-Regional Narcotics Enforcement Team and San Bernardino County Probation, conducted a joint operation in the City of Needles. The operation consisted of 33 team members, with three teams executing ten search warrants in the City of Needles. The warrants led to the arrest of 20 subjects. These subjects were arrested for various crimes, including maintaining a residence for the use of narcotics, possession of narcotics, possession of stolen property, active felony warrants, and possession of manufacturing equipment to make fraudulent credit cards.

This operation was conducted to combat the ongoing battle of violent crimes occurring in the city, coupled with the sales, distribution, and use of Fentanyl, which is a known narcotic that is consuming lives daily in our community.

The following is a list of the subjects arrested during this operation and affiliated with the above-listed charges.

Nicholas Monk, 40-years old, Resident of Needles
Guadalupe Lozano, 34-years old, Resident of Needles
Johanna Baumgartner, 22-years old, Resident of Needles
Juan Hernandez, 27-years old, Resident of Needles
Crystal Munoz, 37-years old, Resident of Needles
Edward Dock, 43-years old, Resident of Needles
Rabecka Motz, 34-years old, Resident of Needles
Theodore Muniz, 37-years old, Resident of Needles
April Craig, 31-years old, Resident of Needles
Mariah Mills, 31-years old, Resident of Needles
Darrian Myatt, 31-years old, Resident of Needles
Charles Brown, 29-years old, Resident of Needles
Michael Fulmar, 33-years old, Resident of Needles
Simon Garcia, 35-years old, Resident of Needles
Aaron Hernandez, 30-years old, Resident of Needles
Mark Franco, 46-years old, Resident of Needles
Rachael Reyes, 43-years old, Resident of Needles
Pete Jewell, 42-years old, Resident of Needles
Heather Jewell, 48-years old, Resident of Needles
Zabrina Longacre, 42-years old, Resident of Needles

Anyone with information regarding these cases is urged to contact Deputy E. Olmos or Sergeant C. Raynolds of the Colorado River Station / Needles Police Department



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For press releases, news and information, follow the Colorado River Station on Twitter/X @ CORiverStation or Facebook and Instagram at SBCSDColoradoRiverStation.

Refer: Deputy E. Olmos or Sergeant C. Raynolds

Station: Colorado River Station / Needles Police Department

Phone No. (760) 326-9200

SHANNON D. DICUS, Sheriff-Coroner
San Bernardino County Sheriff-Coroner Department

Address/Location
[SBSD - Colorado River Sheriffs Department](#)
1111 Bailey Ave
Needles, CA 92363

Contact
Emergency: 9-1-1

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