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MEMORANDUM



TO: ERICK W. ZINSER
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY / CHIEF OF POLICE

FROM: PAT CAUCHI, PUBLIC SAFETY BUDGET ANALYST

SUBJECT: LANGUAGE LINE INTERPRETATION SERVICES

DATE: JANUARY 5, 2023

Since August 2008, the Novi Police Department has been a subscriber to the fee-based Language Line Interpretation service. This service is a phone-based product that can connect users to over 170 possible language interpreters. The service has been a tremendous help to the Department in meeting our needs for language interpretation services in the course of carrying out our services to the public. This service can also be used by any city department to effectively serve and meet the needs of our diverse community. Employees can utilize this service whether speaking to a community member in person or on the telephone. Listed below is a summary of the interpretation services since becoming a subscriber:

Novi Police Department Language Line Usage August 2008 - December 2022			
Language	Minutes	Calls	Cost
Albanian	572	26	\$ 858
Arabic	293	23	\$ 438
Bengali	14	1	\$ 21
Burmese	42	4	\$ 63
Cantonese	106	5	\$ 159
Farsi	89	5	\$ 149
French	24	3	\$ 36
Fulani	9	1	\$ 14
Greek	16	2	\$ 24
Haitian Creole	166	1	\$ 249
Hindu	55	8	\$ 83
Hungarian	8	1	\$ 12
IGBO	27	1	\$ 41
Japanese	1,041	79	\$ 1,553
Korean	431	35	\$ 662
Mandarin	719	53	\$ 1,079
Nepali	28	1	\$ 42
Polish	12	2	\$ 18
Portuguese	113	4	\$ 170
Romanian	160	14	\$ 240
Russian	631	36	\$ 947
Spanish	2,976	234	\$ 4,040
Tagalog	2	1	\$ 3
Tamil	3	1	\$ 5
Telugu	77	5	\$ 116
Ukrainian	162	8	\$ 243
Urdo	4	1	\$ 6
Uzbek	41	2	\$ 62
Vietnamese	251	14	\$ 377
Wolof	8	1	\$ 12
Subtotal	8,080	572	\$ 11,716
Startup	-	-	\$ 250
Other Charges	-	-	\$ 499
Total	8,080	572	\$ 12,465

MEMORANDUM



TO: CHARLES BOULARD, DIRECTOR, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
FROM: RICK MEADER, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT
SUBJECT: WOODY INVASIVE SPECIES REMOVAL UNDERWAY
DATE: JANUARY 5, 2023

Our contractor, Natural Community Services, has commenced work on removing woody invasive species, primarily common buckthorn, from Rotary Park, per our contract. The areas to be worked on are shown below in the shaded boxes:

The work to be done includes cutting down small (1" diameter and less) and leaving the cut material in place. It should decay fairly quickly and help enhance the soil. Larger plants will be girdled and left standing. The combination of these methods will allow more area to be covered, will leave cover for wildlife and birds while native plants respond to the additional sunlight and will leave some screening for adjacent homeowners. Eventually the larger dead trees will fall on their own but that will happen over a long period of time and the responding plantings will grow over them as they fall.

In order to prevent the cut and girdled trees from resprouting, herbicide is being applied to the cut stumps and girdle area which will travel into the plants' root systems and kill the plants (the cutting does not kill them).



As the chemical is being applied directly to the plant and not sprayed into the air, there is no risk of harm to people or animals. The work must be done before the end of February, but may be complete before then.

If there are any questions or concerns, please contact me at rmeader@cityofnovi.org or 248-735-5621.



Novi Civic Dance

Fall Recital 2022

Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services partners with Allonge Dance Works to offer recreational dance classes for the Novi Community. This fall's session concluded with a dance recital on December 18. We hosted a total of four performances for friends and families of the dancers. Our morning performances showcased hip hop, jazz and contemporary dances. Our afternoon performances were Nutcracker themed and showcased our ballet dancers with a special performance by professional dancers Michelle Quenon and Simon Pawlak.

This program met the Department's core values of excellence and inclusion by providing a high quality program to a diverse group of participants.



Fall Dance	Stats
Recital Dancers	157
#of Performances	4
Tickets Sold	866
Amount of Glitter	Endless
Program Supervisor	A. Golles

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2022 OAS Holiday Happenings

The Older Adult Services Department was busy during the month of December hosting many holiday events. OAS partnered with the Novi Rotary and the Novi Middle School to host a Senior Holiday Luncheon on Thursday, December 8. Participants enjoyed a holiday concert performed by Novi Middle School students followed by lunch with Santa served by student council.

The Holiday Brunch, Party with Pancakes, was held at Meadowbrook Commons on Thursday, December 15. The party-goers enjoyed a pancake breakfast and sang along to holiday classics. Ascension Providence Hospital sponsored the event.

The Noon Year's Eve Party was held at Meadowbrook Commons on Thursday, December 29. A magician showcased his magic tricks while brunch was served. Meadowbrook Commons residents led participants in a sing-along to round out the program. Abbey Park sponsored the event.

OAS also hosted a holiday wreath making program and an Owl Prowl in the month of December. Overall, it was an exciting month for OAS!

The programs met the Department's core value of excellence by offering Novi's Older Adults a variety of ways to celebrate the holiday season.



Holiday Happenings	Stats
Senior Holiday Luncheon	35
Holiday Brunch	58
Noon Years Eve	49
Program Supervisor	M. Lachance J. Klein

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