

## RECREATION DEPARTMENT SUMMARY

(Reviewed by Council 06/29/11)

### MISSION STATEMENT

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The Recreation Department strengthens the community's fabric, health and well-being, economic base and security. Through diverse and innovative programming for all people, plus broad partnerships with the schools and neighboring agencies, community-based organizations and businesses, Corte Madera plays an important role in creating healthy communities. By providing the space to learn and play, space to be safe and secure, and space to create and imagine, this Department is dedicated to providing the highest quality of life. Our mission is to:

- \* Foster human development
- \* Increase cultural unity
- \* Strengthen community image and sense of place
- \* Support economic development
- \* Strengthen safety and security
- \* Promote health and wellness
- \* Protect environmental resources
- \* Facilitate community problem solving
- \* Provide recreational experiences

### MAJOR OBJECTIVES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012

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To assist the Parks and Recreation Commission with the development and implementation of policies and guidelines, continue to strive to reduce Town subsidies by reducing costs and increasing revenues.

Implement the policies and procedures for the operation and maintenance of the Town's indoor and outdoor recreational facilities.

To continue close alignments with the Larkspur School District, the City of Larkspur, the Corte Madera Chamber of Commerce, the Tamalpais Union High School District, local businesses and organizations, and other Parks and Recreation Departments for the purpose of developing programs in community facilities.

To foster public, private and non-profit agency cooperation in order to provide diversity, expansion and improvement in recreation programs.

To recruit, train, assign and use community volunteers to increase support of Recreation and Leisure Services.

To foster volunteer community organizations such as the Corte Madera Community Foundation, Town Beautification Committee, Friends of the Corte Madera Library, Corte Madera Town Band, Corte Madera-Larkspur Mothers' Club, and Corte Madera Volunteer Firefighters.

To continue the evaluation and offerings of programs, special events, sports, trips, classes, and age-specific activities for all segments of the community for the purpose of maintaining the highest quality of excellence.

To continue researching public and private grants for facilities and programs.

To continue serving on the Emergency Disaster Committee and maintain preparations for the Town's emergency disaster shelters.

To assist the Parks and Recreation Commission and Public Works Department with the park developments throughout Town.