



# HOWARTH PARK

Recreation Operations & Parks Maintenance

*Board of Community Services – October 25, 2023*



# MEET THE REC TEAM!





# Howarth Park Attractions

## Train, Carousel, Concessions

Weekends March-October  
*+6 days a week during summer*

**2023**

Approx 75,000 Visitors  
200+ Birthday Party Packages  
(2,500 children)

*Pony Express return TBD*





# Howarth Park Animal Barn

**8 weeks in the Summer Season**

2023

9 different Species

33 Animals!

10,000 visitors!

1,466 Volunteer Hours





# Howarth Park Animal Barn

## Barnyard Adventures

1-2 session program

Ages 6-9, 9-12

Learn about Animal Care:

- Feeding
- Grooming
- Cleaning
- Crafts
- etc.





# Howarth Park Boathouse

**Weekends March-September**  
*+6 days a week during summer*

*18 Teen (W.E) Volunteers*

## **Rentals**

2,500 Boat Rentals

## **Camps Canoeing**

1000+ Campers canoeing  
~150 Underserved Youth





# Howarth Park Boathouse

## **Youth Boating Camps**

8 Weeks (1 week sessions)

Boating Camp for Youth

Beginner Sailing for Youth

Advanced Sailing for Youth

*Scholarship Classes scheduled for  
next Spring*





# STAFF & VOLUNTEER TRAINING





# Field Trips

**Schools**  
**After School Programs**  
**Summer Camps**

City Camps

Doyle Adventure Camp  
Recreation Sensation (NS)

"A big thanks to you and the staff  
that day for providing such a fun  
experience for our students! "

-Giovany Morales, Napa COE





# COMMUNITY EVENTS



## KIDS to PARKS DAY

Scavenger Hunt through Howarth  
3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of May  
400+ participated in 2023







# MOVIES *in the* PARK



## MOVIES IN THE PARK

*Co-sponsored by local organizations!*

5 Friday Nights late Summer  
Attended by ~ 1,500 people!  
Food Vendors & Activity Booths  
Themed Train Rides





# Halloween at Howarth

Trick-or-Treat Event for 0-12 yrs

550 participants + families



15+ vendors

Live Music





**Voted #1 in all of Sonoma County  
by *The Bohemian***



**Best Park  
Howarth Memorial Park**





# HOWARTH PARK

## Maintenance Operations



# Maintenance Staff

## Howarth Park

- Staffed 7 days a week
  - 6:30 am to 4:30 pm/7:30 pm



- District Staff
- Howarth Park & District 3
  - 1- Senior Maintenance Worker
  - 1- Skilled Maintenance Worker
  - 2- Groundskeepers
  - 1- Temporary Groundskeeper



# Park Maintenance Responsibilities

- Tennis Courts
- Pickleball Courts
- Reservable Picnic Sites
- Party Areas
- Softball Field
- Carousel PM's
- Train Track Inspection/Repair





# Park Maintenance Responsibilities, con't

- Lands of Imagination
- Playgrounds
- Turf and Irrigation
- 5 Miles of Trails
- Dam inspections and Maintenance
- Lake Aquatic Weeds
- Coordination with other Departments





# Howarth Park-A-Month

## May 13, 2023

### Projects

- Tree Planting
- Playground Cleaning
- Trail Maintenance
- Painting
- Weed Pulling

### Stats

- 56 Volunteers
- 6 trees
- 7 yards of playground sand
- 12 yards of Green Waste
- 2 yards of trash





# Past Year Projects





# Completed 2022/2023

- Organizing into districts and having staff 7 days a week.
- Winter storm tree clean up from down tree and limbs.
- Light clearing in the parking lots. New LED lighting
- Installation of new ADA swings in the upper and lower playgrounds
- Repair the split rail fence around the lower Oak grove
- Restriping/Repainting the parking lot, curbs, crosswalks





Questions ?