

September 2023

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

[Monthly Update]

Keep up with the city you know and love



Unpretentious-

[adjective]

not attempting to impress others with an appearance of greater importance, talent, or culture than is actually possessed.

Real-

[adjective]

(of a substance or thing) not imitation or artificial; genuine.

Resilient-

[adjective]

(of a person or animal) able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions.

Welcoming-

[adjective]

behaving in a polite or friendly way to a guest or new arrival.



01 DREAM ROUND 5 UPDATE

The City of Davenport recently started the fifth round of the Davenport DREAM Project. City Council allocated \$900,000 in funding for new and existing homeowners to revitalize their properties within the DREAM Project area. Applications were accepted from August 14 — September 3.

During the application period for current homeowners, 123 applications were received. Funding is still available for new homeowners, defined as those who closed on their homes less than 45 business days ago.

Staff has begun to review applications with the goal of providing recommendations to City Administration this fall.



★ 222 Projects, with 176 Complete or Work in Progress ★



Round 1: 50 Projects

Round 2: 42 Projects

Round 3: 46 Projects

Round 4: 37 Projects

DREAMPlus: 47 Projects, with 21 Complete, 9 Work in Progress, 17 Awarded



02 GRANT FUNDING UPDATE

City staff continues to pursue grant funding opportunities. Recent efforts successfully secured a \$2.7 million Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Grant Program through the Federal Railroad Administration.

Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements Grant

The Federal Railroad Administration has announced \$2.7 million in grant funding awarded to the City of Davenport through the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Grant Program to implement railroad safety improvements along Davenport’s riverfront corridor. The program provides funding for capital projects that improve passenger and freight rail transportation systems in terms of safety, efficiency, or reliability.

The project will install lights, gates, medians, signage, and fencing at rail crossings along the riverfront between Marquette and Mound Streets to improve vehicle and pedestrian safety. Upon completion, the City of Davenport plans to work with the Federal Railroad Administration, Canadian Pacific, and the Iowa Department of Transportation to establish quiet zones, reduce noise pollution, and increase the quality of life for residents and visitors of Davenport.

The total project is estimated at \$3.4 million.



U.S. Department of Transportation

Federal Railroad Administration

RECENTLY SUBMITTED GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

USACE Continuing Authorities Program

The City of Davenport has submitted an application through the United States Army Corps of Engineers to restore Credit Island Slough. This project would address the continued sedimentation of the slough, help manage an invasive species (Asian carp), reduce flood risk for Black Hawk Creek and the surrounding neighborhoods, prevent repeated flood damage of the causeway, and open recreational uses of the slough, among other benefits. The City of Davenport is hoping to partner with the USACE to determine, plan, design, and implement solutions.

PROTECT Grant

The City of Davenport is submitting a FY 2023 PROTECT Grant application to the Federal Highway Administration for a request of \$13.1 million as part of a \$16.4 million project. The project is part of Davenport's continuing efforts to improve flood resiliency along its 9 miles of riverfront.

If awarded, funding will be used to collectively address transportation challenges faced by the City during flood events, including:

- Establishing a permanent flood detour via Rockingham Road and 4th Street when River Drive (US 61/US 67) must be closed during major floods.
- Ensuring inter-state travel access by raising road surfaces to Centennial and Arsenal Bridges.
- Improving transportation safety in the project area.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

- Railroad Crossing Elimination Grant Program | Awarded \$7.8 million | South Concord Street Grade Separation
- Port Security Grant | Awarded \$600,000 | Fire Rescue Boat
- Safe Streets and Roads for All | Pending Request \$6.4 million | Goose Creek Corridor Multimodal Safety Improvements
- Assistance to Firefighters Grant | Pending Request \$1.2 million | HazMat Rig Replacement
- Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities | In progress \$3.6 million | WPCP Northern Levee Flood Protection



03 KIDS PASS SEASON COMES TO A CLOSE

The 2023 Kids Pass season came to a close with 496 passes sold, 160 of which were funded through City Council. New this year, adults were able to gain free entry with Kids Pass holders to all Davenport Parks and Recreation facilities (Red Hawk Golf Course, The River's Edge, and both aquatic centers) and River Bandits home games.

04 PARKS AND RECREATION IMPROVEMENT UPDATES

Prairie Heights Park Gets New Play Amenity

Installation of a new addition to the playground at Prairie Heights Park was completed in early September. The new interactive play piece is an ADA and inclusive musical touch-and-play sensory panel. The new play piece furthers the goals of the Miracle Field inclusive sports field.



Goose Creek Park Restroom Opens to the Public

A new public restroom has been completed and is now available for use at Goose Creek Park. The neighborhood is an active group advocating for their park and this new addition is an example of their hard work and advocacy.

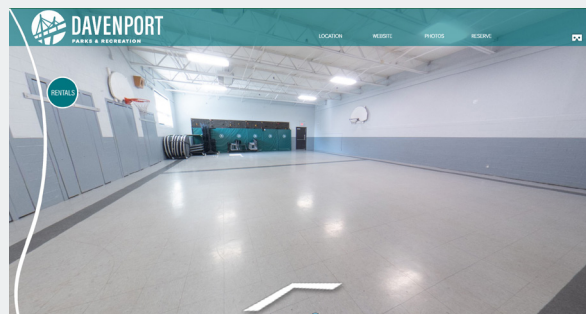
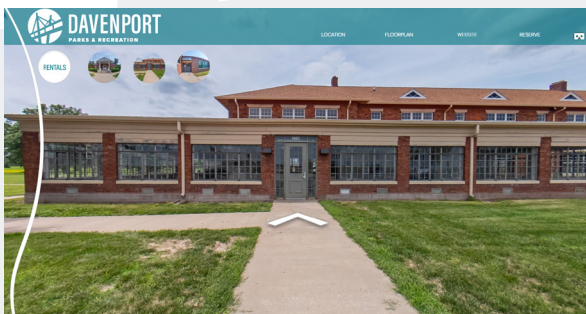
Fairmount Playground Installed

Through community input received during the planning stages of the Fairmount Community Center, it became clear that residents desired a playground in the area. Davenport Parks and Recreation staff worked diligently to secure two grants that fully funded this project: \$30,000 from the Scott County Regional Authority and \$17,500 from the 5-2-1-0 Healthy Choices Count! Program grant through the Iowa Department of Health and Human Services. The playground is now complete and ready for the neighborhood to enjoy.



New Virtual Tours for Credit Island and Duck Creek Lodges and Roosevelt Community Center

Parks and Recreation indoor spaces provide affordable and high-quality options for family celebrations, weddings, and private gatherings, and are in high demand. Staff teamed up with JW Photography to create virtual tours to allow residents and potential out of town renters to view the space at any time. Weekly open house viewings for the Credit Island and Duck Creek Lodges are still available as well.



05 QC LAW ENFORCEMENT AND RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY TRAIN TO ENHANCE SAFETY

Personnel from the Police Department attended a Safe Places: Protecting Places of Worship from Violence and Crime training in Bettendorf which provided information and strategies for Quad City clergy/religious, first responders, and community members to work together to help reduce the likelihood of victimization and aid in the protection of places of worship.

06 DAVENPORT POLICE ATTEND CRISIS INTERVENTION AND PEER SUPPORT TRAININGS

DPD's peer-support team coordinator Lieutenant Jason Ellerbach and mentoring program coordinator Lieutenant Brad Jensen attended a three-day Assisting Individuals in Crisis & Group Crisis Intervention training focused on acute emergency mental health intervention. Evidence-based practices and models for individuals and both small and large groups were discussed and will enhance DPD's critical incident debriefings and responses.



Lieutenant Jensen and Major Jamie Brown attended the 2023 First Responder Wellness Conference in West Des Moines. The conference presented information related to first responder wellness, trauma, and peer support and introduced innovative strategies to proactively address the stressors that can occur throughout the life of first responders and their families.

07 DAVENPORT HOSTS GVI UNIVERSITY

The City of Davenport hosted Group Violence Intervention (GVI) University taught by National Network for Safe Communities. Over 60 individuals from throughout the community participated in the training opportunity, including law enforcement, social services, and community partners. GVI University educated partners on the key components of the Group Violence Intervention strategy and also gave participants the opportunity to understand how the strategy has been deployed in Davenport and the vision Davenport has for the strategy in our community in the future.



08 DFD RECRUITS ASSIGNED TO SHIFTS

The most recent recruiting class of firefighters successfully finished their 8-week training at the Davenport Fire Academy. During the academy, recruits were trained on the usage of DFD tools, equipment, and procedures, gaining the skills and knowledge required during emergency situations. To test their skills, live burn scenarios were conducted. For the remainder of their probationary year, the firefighters will be assigned to a shift and their crews will serve as mentors to ensure our community can expect a high standard of service when calling the Davenport Fire Department.



09 DAVENPORT POLICE COMPLETE FINAL YEAR OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

In 2019, the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) selected Davenport as one of ten sites to join the National Public Safety Partnership (PSP). In the summer of 2023, the department completed their final year of engagement with PSP.

The PSP is a DOJ-wide program that enables sites to receive coordinated training and technical assistance and an array of resources from the DOJ and partner agencies to enhance violent-crime strategies tailored to each site's unique local needs.



Through the partnership, DPD worked with local, county, state and federal partners in a collaborative effort to reduce gun violence within the Davenport and greater Quad City community.

At the start of its PSP engagement, Davenport was facing increasing gun violence, looking for opportunities to collaborate with partner agencies and create a strategic plan to reduce gun violence. Davenport identified several areas of focus for its PSP engagement: increasing crime analysis capabilities, gun crime evidence processing, and utilizing PSP resources to enhance operations. DPD and its partners received a variety of technical assistance support from PSP subject matter experts (SMEs) to help achieve these goals.

The PSP program provided numerous opportunities to assist the DPD in reducing gun violence, including participation in peer exchanges, assessments and training opportunities on topics such as focused deterrence strategies, CGIC and crime lab capacities, shoot reviews, place network investigations, community violence reduction seminar, FBI joint intelligence forum, National Network for Safe Communities (NNSC) GVI University, social network analysis, along with many additional trainings, seminars, conferences, and forums.

Through the multifaceted approach of the PSP, the City of Davenport has seen reductions in gun crime over the duration of their participation in the program. From 2020 to 2022, Davenport saw a 39% decrease in total shots fired incidents. Davenport saw a 23% decrease in shots fired year to date (January 1, 2023 to July 30, 2023) as compared to the same time period in 2022.

DID YOU KNOW???

Did you know there are an average of 50 or more active construction zones across the City during the construction season? From major projects to infrastructure repairs and neighborhood streets, the City and its utility partners are working hard to bring Better Roads (and infrastructure) to Davenport. And, true to the construction season, we are fitting one more major roadway in before the season ends, with resurfacing on West Locust between Division and Marquette.





10 CITY RECEIVES AWARD FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) has awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to City of Davenport for its annual comprehensive financial report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. This is the 40th consecutive year that the City has received this prestigious award.

The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

The report was judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program, which includes demonstrating a constructive “spirit of full disclosure” to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the report.



11 IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES NAMES DAVENPORT ALL-STAR COMMUNITY

The City of Davenport was named a 2023 All-Star Community by the Iowa League of Cities for The Davenport DREAM Project. The All-Star Community Award is the most prestigious honor given by the League to cities. Entries were judged by a panel of former city officials and others familiar with municipal government. Judges determine winners based on innovative efforts in areas such as urban renewal, development, preservation, collaborative efforts, or quality of life improvements.

Davenport was among three of Iowa’s 947 cities to garner such recognition. This year’s other All-Star Community Award winners are Northwood and Clear Lake.

Since the inception of The Davenport DREAM Project in 2019, 222 properties have received funding for exterior and facade improvements with 195 completed. The City has used a combination of local and federal funding to support the efforts. An average of 35 projects are awarded each round with the application process for the fifth round closing in early September.

Due to the success and high interest in DREAM, related programs were created: DREAM Plus, Commercial DREAM, and the Extreme DREAM Project. In total, approximately \$8 million has been invested in Davenport’s core neighborhoods through these programs.



12 WINTER PREPARATION

City staff has actively been preparing for the winter season. One of the first of many preparedness activities is to ensure the City has enough salt on hand. The process, which started in the spring with bidding and contract award, delivered 4,800 tons to Davenport after a six-week journey down the Mississippi River. The delivery tops off a fairly sizable 12,000 already on hand, putting Davenport in a great position before winter weather arrives.

Staff will conduct the annual Snow Emergency Test in mid-October to help prepare residents when the first snowfall hits.



13 PET WASTE DOWNTOWN

As the residential community in Downtown Davenport has expanded, so too has its population of furry friends. To help keep things clean, the Downtown Davenport Partnership (DDP), Davenport Public Works, Development & Neighborhood Services, and the Waste Commission of Scott County joined forces to add 10 additional waste receptacles and 16 pet waste stations in the downtown area over the last ten months. Maintained by DDP, the stations and receptacles are strategically located along high-volume sidewalks and near residential housing. The team has already noticed a change with the addition of the new and convenient waste options and will continue to evaluate for future needs or placement.



14 FLOOD RISK COMMUNITY EDUCATION EFFORTS

In collaboration with the Quad Cities Flood Resilience Alliance, members of the Davenport Flood Team joined the Scott County EMA and other agencies at the first "Be Ready QC: Emergency Resource Fair." The fair, all about public preparedness for emergencies, was a great place to connect with the community about flood risk and ways to reduce risk. The Davenport team looks forward to ongoing collaboration with the alliance to develop a regional Program for Public Information (PPI). Currently, Scott and Rock Island counties and the cities of Bettendorf, LeClaire, Moline, and Rock Island are also represented, along with Davenport. Once the Community Rating System compliant PPI is established, Davenport and other Quad City CRS communities who participate will be eligible to earn additional credit toward improving their CRS score. The step Davenport is taking to participate in the regional PPI is a great way to expand outreach about flood risk and will help advance the community to a Class 6 rating in the future, providing community members a 20% discount on FEMA flood insurance products.





Employee Spotlight



DISTRICT CHIEF CRAIG BLACK

Davenport Fire Department

District Chief Craig Black was awarded the American Legion's Firefighter of the Year award. He has been in the fire service for over 30 years and was recognized by DFD's administrative staff for leading several emergency responses in the past year.

DC Black's leadership, tactical decision-making, and command presence were instrumental in each of these challenging incidents. Black accepted the award on behalf of all the men and women he works alongside, thanking them for their consistent work in keeping crews and citizens safe in the community.



CORPORAL AUSTIN RYCKEGHEM

Davenport Police Department

Corporal Austin Ryckeghem was awarded the American Legion's Police Officer of the Year award. Corporal Ryckeghem, an eight-and-a-half-year veteran of the Police Department, was recognized for his outstanding efforts and continued dedication to enhancing the safety of the community and his fellow officers. Over the past year, Ryckeghem has volunteered his own time to research new and innovative technologies and officer safety best practices to improve the safety and training of Davenport's first responders. Not only does he go above and beyond to improve officer safety and department initiatives, Ryckeghem is dedicated to selflessly serving our community both on and off duty. In October of 2022, while off duty, Ryckeghem provided life-saving measures when a retired police officer had a medical event. His character is best reflected through his actions and embodiment of integrity, fairness, competency, professionalism, community partnerships, and meaningful police interactions.

Project Highlights:

Creating Places | Dohse Splashpad

On September 13, 2023, Davenport City Council awarded the contract for the Dohse Splashpad to The Henley Group, LLC of Muscatine, Iowa. Contracts are awaiting signatures from the respective parties, and a pre-construction meeting is planned to occur within the next month. In the meantime, the equipment purchase for Dohse Splashpad will be on the next agenda cycle for City Council approval on October 11, 2023.



ARPA Continued



Planning & Development

Creating Places

Main Street Landing: Adventure Play and Event Lawn | Sasaki received 427 completed online survey responses from their last wave of public engagement. These results will shape the aesthetics of Main Street Landing while leading design and development of the site. Sasaki has submitted their 100% Design Development Package through the City's E-Plan system

Cork Hill, Van Buren, and Herrington Multi-Sport Courts | Project will be rebid in October of 2023

Emeis Adaptive and Inclusive Playground | The design and purchase of the playground equipment is anticipated to go through the City's bidding process in fall of 2023

Cork Hill Splashpad | Project engineering plans and specifications are under final review by City staff

Dohse Splashpad | On September 13, 2023, Davenport City Council awarded the contract for the Dohse Splashpad to The Henley Group, LLC of Muscatine, Iowa

West Locust Sewer Connectivity

Duck Creek Sewer | The City has received Iowa DNR approval for the construction permit. Construction documents are set to be finalized within the next month with an anticipated bid date of late fall/early winter

Multi-Modal Connectivity

Multi-Modal | N/S Path | Snyder has begun work on final plans, and all necessary permits have been submitted. Property acquisition activities are expected to conclude in November of 2023

Flood Mitigation

Flood Mitigation Stage 22 | HR Green has begun the final plans and all necessary permits have been submitted to all regulatory agencies. The plans are expected to be finalized shortly with an anticipated bid date of Winter 2023



Construction

Neighborhood Reinvestment

DREAMPlus | Forty-seven projects have now been awarded, with 28 already complete or with work underway

Library Enhancements

Fairmount Community Center | Construction has begun and is expected to conclude in the Spring of 2024



Completed

Youth & Family Support

Launch of Coordinated Assessment Program (CAP)

Launch of Group Violence Intervention (GVI)

Creating Places

MLK Plaza: \$500,000 commitment awarded by City Council

Public Wi-Fi Hot Spots

Library Enhancements

Hiring of Library Social Worker

Launch of Pre-K Literacy Initiative

Creating Places | Neighborhood Parks-Play
Whalen Playground | June 2023

Harbor Road Playground | December 2022

Lafayette Playground | December 2022

Emeis Ninja Warrior Playground | June 2023

Neighborhood Reinvestment

Regional Transitional Housing



Construction Begins!



Whalen Playground



Library Updates



01 LIBRARY CARD SIGN UP MONTH

September was Library Card Sign-up Month, and the Davenport Public Library celebrated by offering many special incentives. All new cardholders and those renewing received a small gift. Current and new cardholders also received special discounts from local businesses by presenting their Library card:

- Abernathy's: 15% off your purchase
- Allied: 10% off your purchase
- Armored Gardens: BOGO Classic Burgers
- Barrel House: 10% off your purchase
- Blue Spruce: free cookie with purchase of sandwich
- Capriotti's: free chip and fountain drink combo with purchase of a small, 8" sub or larger
- Lagomarcino's: 50¢ off a double dip hot fudge sundae
- Nothing Bundt Cakes: BOGO bundlets
- Petersen's Wild Bird Shop: free Finch feeder
- The Pour House: signature drink
- Ragged Records: 10% off your purchase
- Raygun: 15% off your purchase
- Theo & Co: 10% off your purchase
- Trash Can Annie: 20% off tags with a shoe hole punch
- Wide River Winery: 10% off your purchase

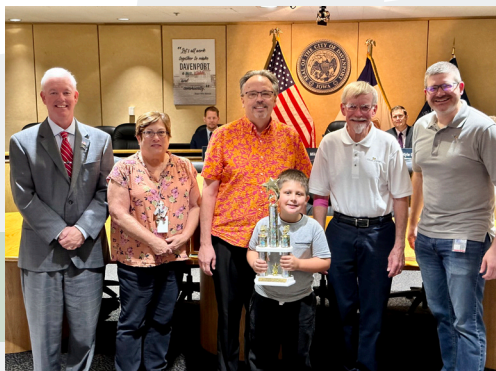
The number of participating businesses grew from last year, and the Library is grateful for their participation and support! In addition to fun perks, Lopiez Pizza also chose the FRIENDS of the Davenport Public Library to be their pie of the month! A portion of the proceeds for ordering "The Book Club" went directly to the FRIENDS for programming and services.

02 SUMMER READING

This year, 1,954 individuals participated in the Summer Reading Challenge! Participants read for 46,577 days and completed 23,139 activities - an increase from last year's totals! The public school winner was Truman Elementary (29% student participation) and the private school winner was Trinity Lutheran (19% student participation).

03 HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH CHALLENGE

The Davenport Public Library is celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month with a special reading challenge. Patrons log their reading and activities to earn badges throughout the challenge to earn tickets for prizes. There are 183 new registrants and it is still early with 406 badges earned.





COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

01 QUAD CITIES WOMEN'S OUTDOOR CLUB OUTING WITH PARKS AND RECREATION

Members of the Quad Cities Women's Outdoor Club attend an Up Close & Plantable event at Sunderbruch Park led by Parks and Recreation's Environmental Educator. The group was able to experience the natural beauty of the area up close and learn about the different plant species that thrive in the prairies and in home gardens. The event was a great opportunity for the members of the club to connect with each other, learn about the environment, and appreciate the wonders of nature.



02 DFD HOSTS RETIREE BREAKFAST

The annual Retiree Breakfast was held at Central Fire Station where generations of firefighters gathered. As DFD continues to evolve and grow as a fire department, it is important to remember the traditions and former firefighters who paved the way. DFD recognized the countless years of dedicated service and sacrifices and shared new and old stories with one another.



03 NATIONAL GOOD NEIGHBOR DAY

The Davenport Good Neighbor Project (GNP) celebrated National Good Neighbor Day with a proclamation at the September 27 City Council meeting. Billie Greenwood and Brad Crevision, leaders of the Central Community Circle GNP Neighborhood, accepted the proclamation on behalf of all Davenport neighbors involved in GNP. Since 2021 GNP has grown from 72 to 116 group.



September 28, 2021

72 groups

September 28, 2022

94 groups

September 28, 2023

116 groups

04 GNP RESOURCE TRAILER UPDATE

Good Neighbor Project Leaders have made great use of the resource trailer at several neighborhood gatherings this summer. The trailer continues to serve as a wonderful perk, enhancing meetings and block parties throughout Davenport. To date, the resource trailer has been to 18 neighborhood events and will continue to provide resources to GNP participants for years to come.



05 STAFF PRESENTS AT 3CMA

Communication Project Manager Jeri Garretson presented at the 3CMA Annual Conference in Orlando on the importance of a comprehensive community strategy. In her presentation, she emphasized the significant role social media has taken in communication and how the City's Communications Team has implemented a comprehensive approach while keeping in mind the importance of face-to-face interactions to reach all residents and build trust within the community.



06 TYLER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

Davenport Fire and Parks and Recreation hosted a neighborhood meeting with Tyler Park residents to inform them of the new storm siren planned to be installed at the park. Staff addressed questions and concerns regarding the storm siren along with providing background on the project.

07 FEJERVARY FAMILY FUN DAYS-HARVEST FESTIVAL

The final Fejervary Family Fun Day was a hit with the community hosting over 370 guests excited to welcome autumn. Local agencies that joined the fun included Davenport Public Library, Community Health Care, Midwest Writing Center, and Amity Point. Participants played yard games, learned from Parks and Recreation's Environmental Educator, enjoyed a bounce house, played the Floor is Lava, took home giveaway items, and entered a raffle to win gift baskets.

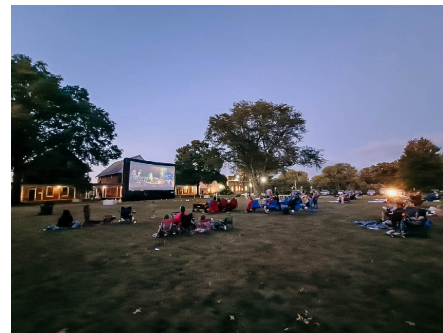
08 GET OUT AND TRAIL (G.O.A.T.) EVENT

On September 23 residents from all over the Quad Cities and visitors to the area took part in a celebration and exploration of QC trails. Participants were able to explore trails on both sides of the river as pedestrians or cyclists and visit hosted stops to learn to visit with local agencies, win prizes, and enter raffles. This event was a collaborative partnership with the Parks and Recreation Departments from Davenport, Bettendorf Moline, Rock Island, and Riverdale; City of Port Byron; Bi-State Regional Commission; Quad City Health Initiative; Visit Quad Cities; and Community Health Care, Inc.



09 MOVIES IN THE PARK

Over 100 people were in attendance for Movies in the Park enjoying games, crafts, and delicious food before settling into chairs or on blankets during a perfect Davenport evening for *A Bug's Life* on the big screen at the Annie Wittenmyer Complex.



10 SKATE PARK PUBLIC INPUT

Throughout August, Parks and Recreation sought feedback via an online survey for improvements to the Davenport Skate Park. Based on the responses received, staff and consultant Spohn Ranch, a company specializing in skate park design, hosted a public input meeting with skate park users. Discussions included the addition of a pump track, needed repairs, potential upgrades, addition of a dirt path for BMX riders, and potential programs and events at the skate park. Staff at Spohn Ranch will develop concepts based on the feedback.

11 PARKS AND RECREATION AT DOGS DAY OUT

Staff attended the Humane Society of Scott County's Dogs Day Out event at Centennial Park. In addition to talking with attendees about upcoming Parks and Recreation events and programs, staff also sought input for new obstacle and agility course amenities planned for the Centennial Park Dog Off Leash Area. Over 50 preferencing sheets were collected from the event providing valuable information for prioritizing new amenities.



12 BIX 7 FIRST RESPONDERS AWARD

Fire and Police brought home the Quad-City Times Bix 7 Premier Buick GMC Dealers' First Responders' Challenge 2023 trophy. Team Davenport has brought home the award every year since it began in 2019. DFD Engineer Korinne Israel led Davenport with a 48:33 finish. Other team members include Firefighter Nick Marino (not pictured), Firefighter Jim Swanson, Engineer Packy Dolan, and DPD's own Sergeant Andrew Harris!



13 DFD “FILLED THE BOOT”

DFD and Davenport Association of Professional Firefighters Local #17 continued a long-standing tradition as its members participated in the annual Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) Fill the Boot program. This year DFD collected a total of \$9,164 (nearly \$3,000 more than 2022) that will go towards research, camp, and families in the Quad City area who need supplies and support.



14 POLAR PLUNGE

Members of the Police Department took the plunge to help raise money for Iowa Special Olympics. Over \$6,400 was raised in Scott County to support Iowa Special Olympics.



15 NAMI WALK

In mid-September, DPD partnered with NAMI of the Greater Mississippi Valley for the Annual NAMI Walk by participating in the walk and engaging with community members to spread awareness and work to end the stigma around mental illness.



16 PAB FALL TOUR

Parks and Recreation held their annual Parks Advisory Board tour, showcasing the parks system and recent projects. This year's stops included the We-Go Swing at Vander Veer Park, site of the Fairmount Community Center, North Gayman Park, and the Emeis Golf Course Club House and obstacle course.