



# May 2021 *Celebrate Success* City Administrator Update

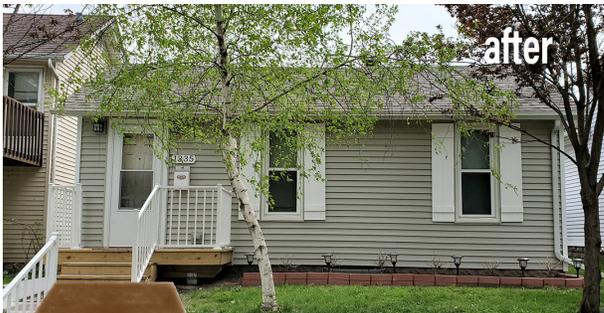
## *Welcoming Neighborhoods*

### DREAM PROJECT UPDATE

**WELCOMING  
NEIGHBORHOODS**



The first round of the DREAM Project is 100% completed with 50 homes being transformed. Despite material shortage in the construction industry, several round two projects are well underway with the remaining set to begin mid- to late-summer. Funding is now available for both current and new homeowners for a third round of homes. The application period for current homeowners was open for three weeks in May with 116 applications being received. CED staff anticipates announcement of recipients in the fall.



### SOLID WASTE ROUTE OPTIMIZATION STUDY

Public Works and the solid waste route optimization consultant have covered a lot of ground, no pun intended, since March. While routes remain in preliminary form, final route recommendations are expected in June 2021. Around 1,000 residents will likely experience collection day changes for improved overall system efficiency.

**HIGH-PERFORMING  
GOVERNMENT**



Worth noting, the consultant applauded Davenport for its current route efficiency, stating existing routes have a relatively high level of efficiency. Expected changes will optimize program strengths.



THE DAVENPORT  
**DREAM**  
PROJECT

# Well-Protected Community

WELL-PROTECTED  
COMMUNITY



## PSP VIOLENT CRIME SUMMIT

The Davenport Police Department and its federal partners recently participated in two events through the Public Safety Partnership program. In April, DPD staff attended PSP's annual Violent Crime Summit which convened criminal justice leaders and key stakeholders from PSP sites, DOJ officials, subject matter experts, and other field-based partners to examine topics of interest and additional evidence-based practices to increase public safety, reduce violent, and enhance partnerships in our community.

## IOWA QUAD CITIES LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

On May 11th, City Administrator Corri Spiegel and Police Chief Paul Sikorski joined the City of Bettendorf, Scott County Sheriff's Office, NAACP, and LULAC in announcing the formation of the Iowa Quad Cities Law Enforcement Community Partnership. The Iowa Quad Cities Law Enforcement Community Partnership has been meeting regularly since June 2020 to discuss community police issues that arose nationally in the summer of 2020. The Partnership will work collaboratively on issues such as disproportionality in police operations, strategies to engage people of color in process improvements and recruitment, and review of current public safety organizational policies.

## COPS-N-KIDS COMMUNITY BOOK DRIVE

The Davenport Police Community Impact Team partnered with TMBC at the Lincoln Center and KWQC TV-6 News to host the Cops-N-Kids Community Book Drive. In less than 12 hours, approximately four thousand books were donated along with several thousands of dollars. These donations will go to area children and families in need. Donated books will be available for Officers to give to children on calls, school visits, and community events. Books will also be used by children at the Lincoln Center. After the drive, while unloading the books at the Lincoln Center, three neighborhood kids approached officers and were curious as to what was going on. Officers were able to provide each child with a new book. Their mother was also given several additional books.

## PSP STRATEGIC PLANNING

In May, the Davenport Police Department and partner agencies met for a two-day strategic planning session led by PSP moderators. Throughout this two-day session, long-term strategic outcomes for reducing gun violence were identified. In addition, specific goals, strategies, and measures of success were identified to achieve the strategic outcome of reducing gun violence. DPD command staff will work with the PSP over the next month to develop an action plan for completing the goals and strategies that were identified through the planning process.



Hy-Vee (2200 W Kimberly Rd, Davenport, IA)  
May 6 · 📍

We had a great turnout at our third Coffee with a Cop event at West Kimberly Rd. Hy-Vee this morning! Thank you to everyone that joined us for coffee, donuts, and great conversation. A HUGE shout out + thank you to the Davenport Police Department for bringing this event to life. Keep an eye out for future Coffee with a Cop events at other Davenport Hy-Vee stores. On behalf of Hy-Vee, thank you to all first responders who work tirelessly to keep our community safe.

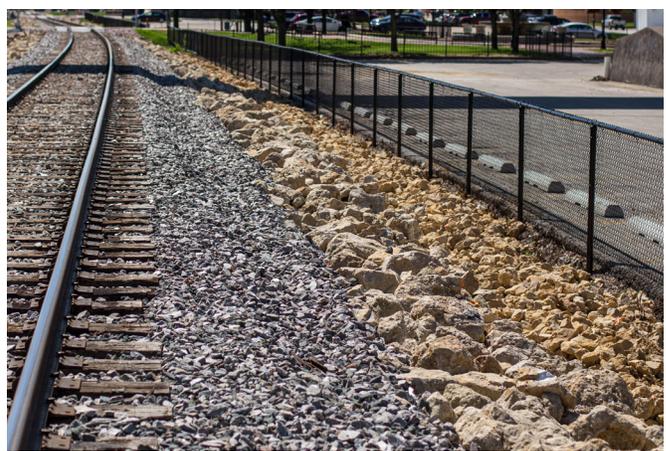




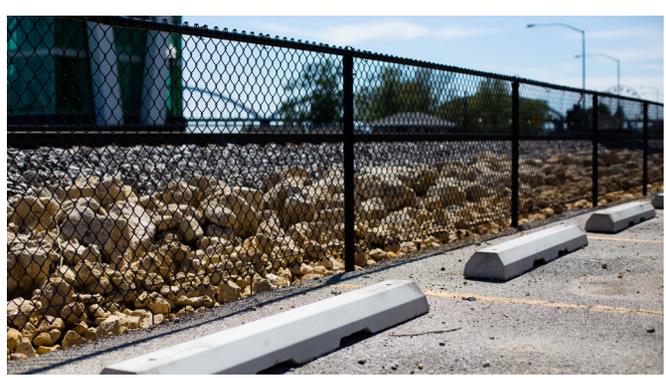
### RIVERFRONT REFRESH UPDATES



Above: Removed outdated chain link fence that was falling down around the base and placed large rock underneath for a more aesthetic look along River Drive.



Above and below: The Parks Operations Crew strategically walked along the riverfront to find small improvements that make a BIG impact. By replacing the parking bumpers in the lot next to Quinlan Court, and laying rock along the tracks, this area becomes a more aesthetically pleasing and welcoming environment for citizens to enjoy.



Above: Quinlan Court ribbon cutting set to take place at 5 p.m. on Saturday, June 12th.



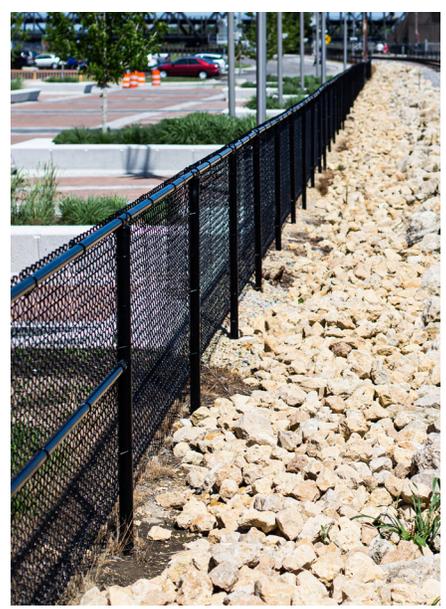
Above: Revitalization of the turf in LeClaire Park using fertilizer and irrigation systems. Parks staff has been working diligently to bring the lawn along the river back to life after significant damage caused by both flooding and Derecho.



Above: Replacement of bulbs along the bike path.

*Note: Crowd control fencing was purchased to assist with upcoming events being held in LeClaire Park.*

To the right: Replacement of fence along Quinlan Court.



# High-Performing Government

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## SUMMER ACTIVITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Community and Economic Development and Parks and Recreation Departments teamed up to create the 2021 Summer Activity Scholarship Program for families affected by COVID-19. The program, funded through the CARES Act to address COVID-19 related needs in Davenport, provides scholarships for Davenport youth in grades K-12 to attend eligible summer programs that will help them regain educational, social, emotional, and developmental opportunities lost during the COVID pandemic. As of May 26, 25 vouchers have been issued.

The Communications team has been working with the Davenport Community School District to get a flyer and application in the hands of all K-12 students to inform families of this opportunity as well as the free family events Davenport has to offer.

# Vibrant Region

VIBRANT  
REGION



## FREE FAMILY PROGRAMS AND EVENTS THIS SUMMER

The 2021 summer is packed with fun, family-friendly events and programs throughout Davenport! All summer Davenport Parks and Recreation, Davenport Libraries, and the City of Davenport will be hosting free programs and events. The Communications team has joined efforts in promoting these events by having a dedicated spot on the City's website for residents to learn more about the free events happening in our community.

## DAVENPORT KIDS PASS IS BACK!

Youth ages 5-18 can explore Davenport attractions and activities this summer with the Kids Pass! Back by popular demand, the Summer Kids Pass became available for purchase beginning May 24 at The River's Edge for just \$50 per child. Davenport Parks and Recreation is once again partnering with community agencies to provide a variety of fun and entertaining activities Memorial Day through Labor Day.



*Highlighted dates have program offerings*

	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa	Su
June	1	2	3	4	5	6	
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August							1
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	23	24	25	26	27	28	29

# Community Involvement

## READER'S TRAILS INSTALLED IN DAVENPORT PARKS

The Davenport Public Library installed three Reader's Trails in Davenport parks this month. In conjunction with the Bi-State Literacy Council and Davenport Parks and Recreation, members of the community can currently find *Little Excavator* by Anna Dewdney at Prairie Heights Park, 5600 Eastern Avenue; *The Gruffalo* by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler along the Riverfront Trail near the Channel Cat Water Taxi landing site south of Lindsay Park; and *The Rabbit Listened* by Cori Doerrfeld at the Fejervary Learning Center, 1800 West 12th Street.



 **Rock Island Arsenal** is at **City of Davenport Government**.  
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Col. Todd Allison, Garrison Commander, US Army Garrison Rock Island Arsenal, accepted the [City of Davenport Government's](#) Military Appreciation...



 **St. Paul Lutheran Preschool**  
5h ·

Today we had visits from firefighter Mike Dorton and his crew from station #5 along with officer Andrew Harris from the Dav... See More



 **Lindsey Lyon Tiemessen**  
1h ·

Good job [Davenport Fire Department](#)

 **Sweet Delite Ice Cream**  
10h ·

[Davenport Fire Department](#) Engine 5 Stopped For Ice Cream Tonight, While They Were Here They Made A Lot Children's Night By Giving Them All A Stuffed Animal! 🐻🐻

