

The Community & Recreation Center underwent several projects and improvements the past fiscal year. Some of these projects included: upgrading and expanding security cameras and doors throughout facility, purchasing new shade cloths around the facility, enlarging a racquetball court door to create ADA accessibility (back court used for youth camps), purchasing new treadmills and new flooring. Please see the list below for project detail:

NEW EQUIPMENT AND RELOCATION: The goal is to maximize the space/constraints in the facility to provide and expand community wellness/fitness opportunities for current and future members. The following changes/improvements will be made to expand and reimagine the fitness opportunities at the center:

- **Treadmill Upgrade and Relocation:** The center's current treadmills are over five years old with several hundred miles on them. Staff are working to replace these with new models that have mounted TV screens with cable access, similar to the existing elliptical equipment. These machines will be relocated to the wall next to the ellipticals and recumbents. This relocation will provide additional fitness opportunities by maximizing the space and reorganizing fitness equipment in a way that will improve flow and functionality. The infrastructure demand on these new pieces of equipment will require them to be placed facing the wall to provide the required safety distance (six feet) behind each machine. This change is anticipated to be completed by the end of the calendar year. **Status: COMPLETE**
- **Relocation of Ellipticals and Recumbent Bikes:** The decision was made to change the orientation of the machines following a meeting and discussion with a fitness company representative who we will be leasing new treadmills from. As we look to upgrade the equipment in the fitness center it will become necessary to adjust the location of some equipment, specifically cardio equipment in the facility, to maximize our limited space and provide additional exercise opportunities to our members. As well, safety and circulation played a large factor in this decision. There are areas within the space that create a few pinch-points or "traffic jams." The long hallway in the center narrows as you walk toward the weight room. People in the hallway are too close to the equipment, creating an uncomfortable and unsafe environment. This is especially true when people stop to talk to members on the equipment, and during busy times including summer, fall and winter camps when 100+ youth are in the facility. Another challenging location is into the weight room where several pin-in-plate pieces of equipment create pinch points. By relocating the equipment, there is more walkway space and it eliminates the standing/talking while members exercise. In addition, the direction of the machines provides for better ventilation of the facility, creating a safer and healthier environment by directing aerosols away from main thoroughfare of the fitness area. **Status: COMPLETE**
- **Circuit Machine Relocation:** Once the treadmills are relocated, the space in which the current treadmills occupy will be the new home for the pin in plate circuit machines.

Currently the center has 13 circuit machines and they are spread out in two different locations. This new location will fit all 13 machines and allow for users to do “circuit workouts” where they move through several machines in a short period of time. Keeping these machines together will improve functionality/flow and is also a standard setup throughout the fitness industry. **STATUS: COMPLETE**

EXPANDING SECURITY CAMERAS: The safety of facility users and staff is a top priority for the Community & Recreation Center. The expansion of the security cameras ensures staff will be able to monitor activity throughout the facility, including all entrances and exits. This improvement will provide a safe environment for facility users and staff. To further improve security of the facility, the former Garden Café door will be upgraded to include badge access, which will help secure the facility. Staff are currently working with the contractor to identify locations and scope of work. This upgrade is anticipated to be completed by the end of the calendar year. **STATUS: COMPLETE**

NEW SHADE CLOTHS: Staff has identified shade cloths outside of the facility that require replacement based on current condition. This improvement will ensure the shade structures remain functional and the center maintains a sharp and attractive image. In addition, a shade structure will be constructed over the pool pumps. Keeping the Arizona sun off of the pool equipment will improve the longevity of the system and reduce replacement of equipment from sun damage. Less maintenance and repairs means the pool will require fewer closures and the overall water quality will remain exceptional. The contractor has been selected for this project and its anticipated to be complete by the end of the calendar year. **STATUS: COMPLETE**

ENLARGING RACQUETBALL COURT DOOR: Staff and programs utilize one of the back racquetball courts as the main hub for youth camps. This space is not only used for programming but also stores most of the center’s recreation program supplies. Enlarging the door allows for ADA accessibility and improves overall functionality and safety as staff and children navigate in and out of the space. This project is currently in progress with anticipated completion date of September 15. **STATUS: COMPLETE**

NEW FLOORING: In order to improve overall functionality, cleanliness, and the overall image of the center, staff have identified alternative flooring options in multiple high traffic areas in the center. This project will be ongoing and a completion date has not been identified at this point. Improvements include:

- Replacing carpet in locker rooms with a vinyl flooring option, this will ensure a cleaner surface that will hold up better to spills and general wear and tear of this area. This project will also include the replacement of the carpet in the hallways outside of the locker rooms. **STATUS: COMPLETE**
- Replacing carpet in the former Garden Café to a vinyl flooring option. Staff have identified alternative uses for this space, which includes a potential stretching area

for facility users. Before this space can be reimagined, general updates will need to be completed, including an updated floor that can be sanitized and cleaned with ease. **STATUS: COMPLETE**

- Replacing carpet in the golf pro shop with a vinyl flooring options, which will be a stronger, more durable vinyl option that can withstand the soft spikes from golf shoes. This improvement will enhance the overall image of the space with a fresh and sharp look that will welcome all visitors to the golf course. This project will include the space just outside of the pro shop at the bottom of the stairs. **STATUS: COMPLETE**

If you have any questions or comments, feel free to reach out to recreation@orovalleyaz.gov.