

Community Academy: Connections through Recreation

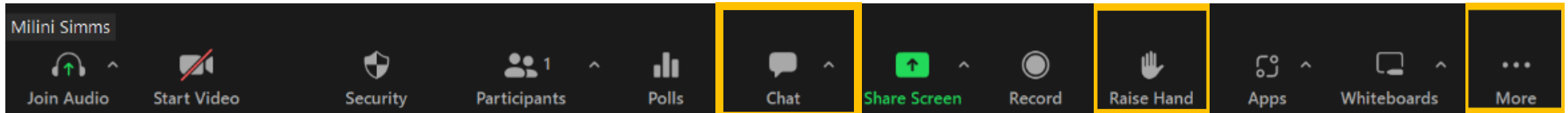
Class 7
October 24, 2024



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Online Participation

- ▶ To participate during the meeting, please raise your virtual hand or use the chat feature.
- ▶ Zoom controls are located at the bottom or type of your screen (depends on device). If you cannot see the “chat” or “raise hand” icon, click on the “More” icon to see both.
- ▶ Videos may be on but please mute yourself unless you have a question or comment.



Phone

Raise Hand: *9

Unmute: *6

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Call Rene Olvera at 520-229-4939

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27th Annual Oro Valley's Community Academy



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Date	Class
Thurs., October 3	Welcome & Oro Valley 101
Tues., October 8	OV's Path Forward: Cultivating Residents Vision for the Future
Thurs., October 10	Keeping the Lights On: Town Finances
Tues., October 15	Rooftops and Retail: Economic & Commercial Development
Thurs., October 17	Planning for OV's Future: Managing Town Growth
Tue., October 22	Balancing Growth and Nature: Environmental Stewardship
Thurs., October 24	Connections Through Recreation: Parks & Recreation
Mon., October 28	Water Resource Planning: Water Utility
Wed., October 30	Roadway and Stormwater Management: Public Works
Mon., November 4	Public Safety: Oro Valley Police Department & Town Courts
Wed., November 6	Graduation at Town Council and Celebration Dinner



► Participants who attend at least ½ the classes will graduate

Visit orovalleyaz.gov often for class resources.

Questions? Contact Alex Chavez at achavez@orovalleyaz.gov or 520-229-4814

Graduation



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- Graduation certificates will be handed out during the November 6th Council meeting.
 - Near the beginning of the agenda but after call to the audience.
 - Graduates and their family members may leave the meeting after certificates are handed out.
- Following graduation, a celebratory dinner will be held on Town campus.

On the sign-in sheet, please let us know if you are going to attend graduation and/or the celebratory dinner so we can plan accordingly. **Must know by October 28.**



What outdoor/recreational activities do you enjoy most?

73 responses



Tonight's Presentation

Rosalyn Epting, OV Parks and Recreation Director

- Board, Commission, & Advisory Groups
- Parks & Recreation Department Operations
- Parks and Recreation Master Plan
- Recent Improvements and Projects
- Upcoming Projects & Looking Forward



Board, Commission, Advisory Groups



Board, Commission, Advisory Groups

- Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (2 vacancies)
- Historic Preservation Commission (2 vacancies)
- Oro Valley Historical Society (utilized as an advisory group on certain project)
- Community & Recreation Center Advisory Group
- Power User Group (field usage)



Inspire Connection Through Recreation

Connecting people to people, people to community, and people to nature!

- Administration
- Aquatics
- Community and Recreation Center
- Recreation and Culture
- Park Management
- Golf



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Administration

- Oversee Parks & Recreation Department Operations
- Develop & Maintain Partnerships
- Grant Research & Applications
- Manage Golf Contract
- Department Liaison for Major Projects
 - Naranja Park Expansion
 - Vistoso Trails Nature Preserve (VTNP) Master Plan
 - VTNP Desert Ecosystem Restoration Project
 - 50th Anniversary Parade
 - Trail Master Plan
 - Steam Pump Ranch Shade Structure
- Staff Liaison
 - Board, Commission, & Advisory Groups
 - Men's Golf Association
 - OV Children's Museum
 - Archeology Southwest – Easement holder for VTNP



Parks Management

- Maintain 25 Properties
 - Parks
 - Trails/Trailheads
 - Facility Landscaping - Exteriors
- Event Set Up
- Recently Completed Projects
 - Installed Solar Lighting at CRC Walkway
 - Renovation of Naranja Park Large Dog Park
 - Tree & Bench Donation Program
 - Improved Turf Conditions Across Sports Fields
 - Rock work at Pusch Ridge Golf & Tennis Pro Shop
 - 50th Anniversary Tree Planting
- Upcoming Projects



Recreation & Culture

- Staff Located at Steam Pump Ranch
- Camps
- Outdoor Recreation Programming
- Archery Memberships
- Field Rentals
- Heirloom Farmer's Market Agreement
- Senior Programs



Major & Minor Community Events

- 4th of July
- HalloVeen Spooktacular
- 50th Celebration
- Bark in the Park
- Celebrate OV
- Movies at the Ranch
- Friday Night Concerts
- Hot Cocoa 5K
- Roundup at the Ranch 5K
- Hiking Series



Aquatics



- Southern Arizona's Premier Competition-Level Facility
- Competition Pool & Recreation Pool
- Water Slide
- Splash Pad
- Memberships
- Hosts Multiple Swim Meets Each Year (Economic Development)
- OV Explorer Best of the Northwest, Sports & Recreation, Best Aquatic Facility
- Programs
- Upcoming Projects & Items



Community & Recreation Center

- Memberships
- Fitness Center
- Pool
- Tennis & Pickleball Courts
- Host Tennis & Pickleball Tournaments
- Manage the Tennis Contract
- Manage Department Social Media
- Programs (over 80 classes a week)
 - Fitness Classes
 - Summer Camp
 - Medicare Fitness Programs
 - Art Classes
 - Free Outdoor Community Movie Events
 - SnOV



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Golf



- Troon – Indigo Sports
- 45-Holes of Golf
 - El Conquistador 36-Holes
 - Pusch Ridge 9-Holes
- Golf Memberships
- Overlook Restaurant
- Coordinate with Parks & Rec Team
- Pusch Ridge – Disc Golf in Summer

El Conquistador - 36 hole	FY22/23	FY23/24
	Actual	Actual
Rounds	82,988	90,607

Pusch Ridge - 9 Hole	FY22/23	FY23/24
	Actual	Actual
Rounds	16,359	19,819



Parks and Recreation Master Plan



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- Phase 1: Community Engagement
 - 1,973 unique responses
- Phase 2: Concept Plans
 - Steam Pump Ranch
 - James D. Kriegh Park
 - Naranja Park
- Phase 3: Implementation

Area of Interest	Volume of Comments
Preserving Golf Course in Vistoso as Open Space	High
Reinvesting in Community Center	
Reinvesting in Golf Courses	
Take Care of What We Already Have	
Community Connectivity through Trails	
Expansion of Trails in Parks (Naranja Park)	
Expansion of Pickleball Courts	Medium
Expansion of Athletic Fields	
Aquatic Center Expansion and Fees	
Community Special Events are desired	
Dog Parks are Important	
Conservation at SteamPump Ranch	
Completing Naranja Park	Low
Expansion of Tennis Courts	
Skateparks and BMX Parks	
Increased Programs and Services for Children	
Disc Golf Courses	

Implementation



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- Conquistador and Canada Golf Course Irrigation
- Tennis/Pickleball Court Improvements
- Community Center Improvements
- Multi-Use Path Connections
- Continued focus on Community Events
- Community Wellness
- Senior Task Force (focused senior programming)
- Art Programs (music, painting, etc.)
- Environmental Education
- Naranja Park Improvements



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Master Plan
2021



Naranja Park Improvements



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Grand Re-opening (May 2024)

- New fields
- Pickleball courts
- Pump track and skate park
- Splash Pad



Community Center Improvements



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- New Fitness Equipment
- Shade Additions & Replacements
- Parking Lot Improvements
- Resurfaced Pickleball & Tennis Courts
- Built 4 New Pickleball Courts
- Elevator Project
- Roof Repairs
- New Freezer Unit
- Hood System
- Flooring
 - Circuit Room
 - Restrooms
 - Garden Café Area
- Meeting Space
 - Window Shade
 - Flooring
 - Fans
 - Audio Visual

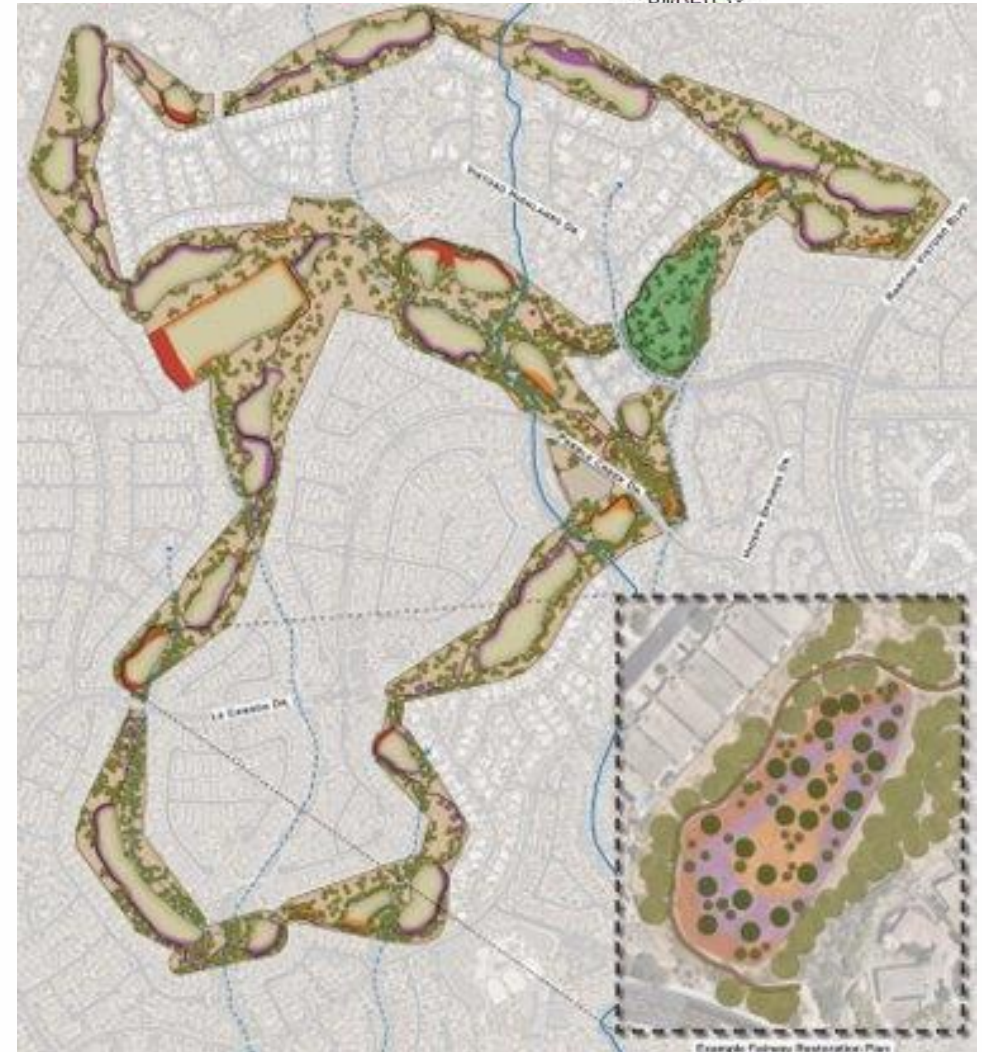


Vistoso Trails Nature Preserve Improvements



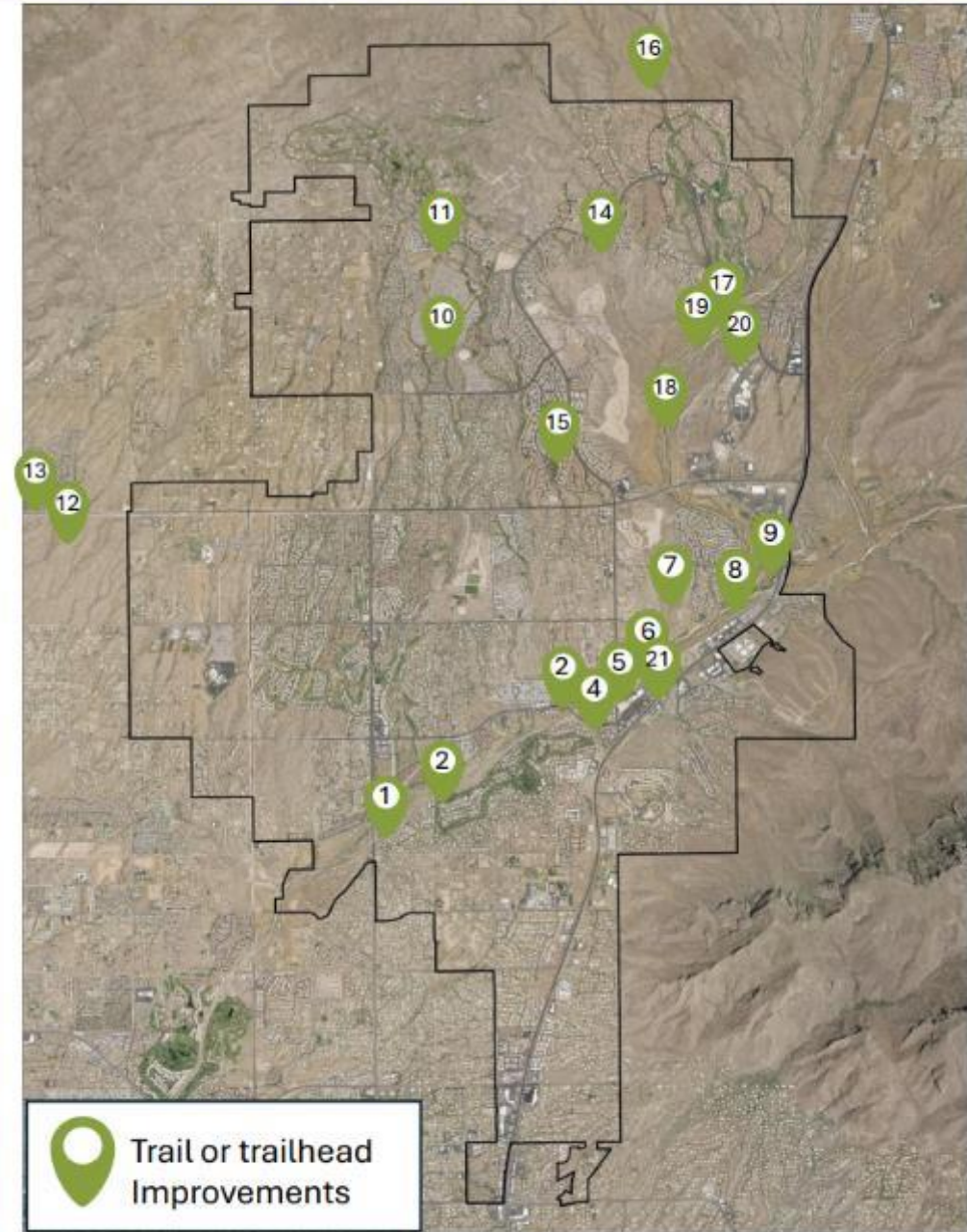
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- Two Restrooms – Roof Repair & ADA Accessible
- Trail Repairs
- Invasive Species Management
- Maintenance Building Roof
- Desert Ecosystem Restoration Project



Upcoming: Trails Master Plan

- Guiding Document for Trails
 - Comprehensive plan with maps
 - Community engagement
 - Identify access to parks
 - Identify connectivity gaps
 - Connectivity to nearby Towns, Cities, & Pima County Trail System
 - Evaluate potential new routes with regional connections
 - Prepare phasing and priority criteria
 - Evaluating signage
 - Evaluate Adopt-A-Trail program



Looking Forward

- ▶ Vistoso Trails Nature Preserve Desert Ecosystem Restoration Project Work Continues
- ▶ Tree Master Plan
- ▶ Trail Master Plan
- ▶ SPR Shade Structure
- ▶ Archery Shade Structure
- ▶ Continuing to Maintain Existing Facilities
- ▶ Programs for all ages

Please Join Us....

- ▶ Friday Night Concert
 - ▶ Friday, October 25, 7pm, Steam Pump Ranch
- ▶ HalLOVeen Spooktacular
 - ▶ Saturday, October 26, 5-8pm, JDK Park
- ▶ Second Saturdays at Steam Pump Ranch
 - ▶ Saturday, November 9, 9am-1pm
- ▶ Movie on the Lawn
 - ▶ Saturday, November 9, 6pm, CRC
- ▶ SnOV
 - ▶ Thursday, December 19, 5-8pm, CRC

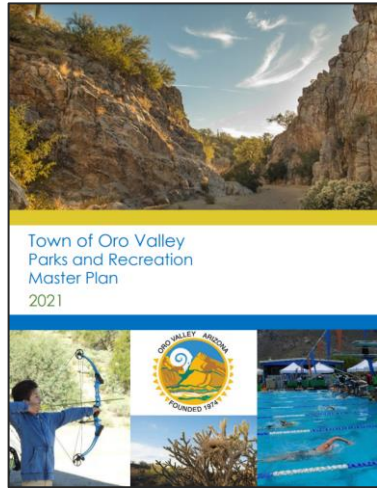
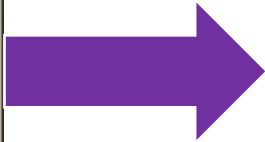
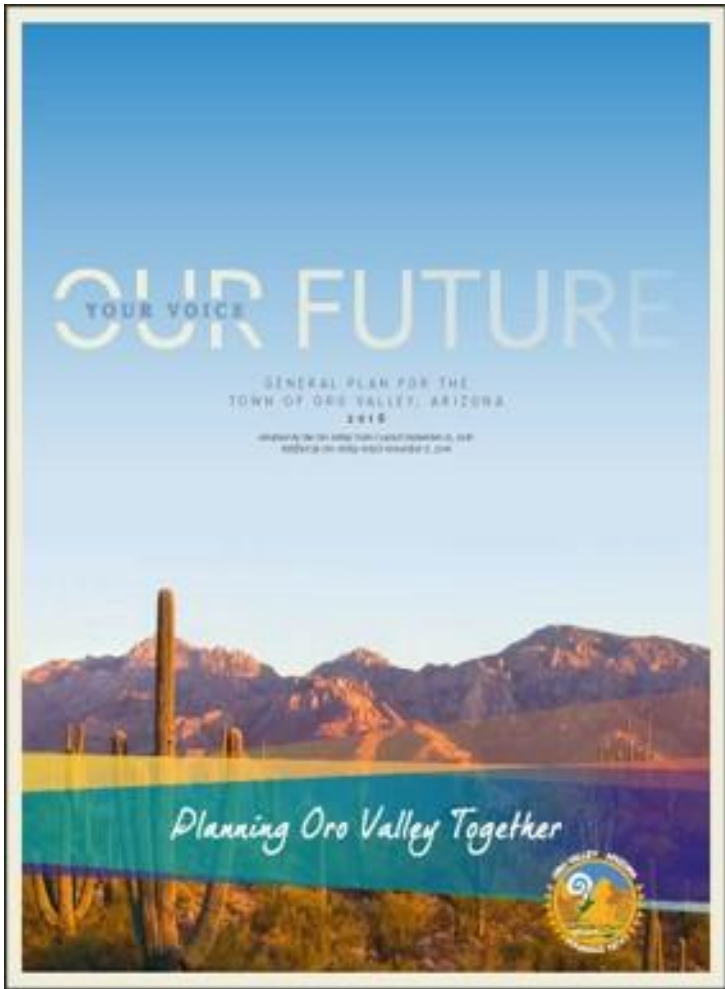




Parks, Recreation, Trails

- State required elements:
 - Recreation
 - Bicycle and pedestrian connectivity
- Goals, policies, and actions produce real results:
 - Parks and Recreation Master Plan
 - Park amenities for all abilities





Draft Guiding Principle:

A high-level view of residents' priorities for the future

WHAT RESIDENTS SAID.....

74%

OV should be described as an outdoor and recreational community

- More shade and indoor options
- Amenities to support a broad range of hobbies and activities

68%

Increase bike and pedestrian connectivity

- Connections to amenities & services
- More bike & pedestrian routes & trails

DRAFT GUIDING PRINCIPLE: PARKS, REC, & TRAILS

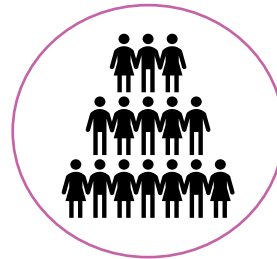
Grow OV's outdoor and recreational lifestyle and opportunities:

- Increase opportunities and improve the user experience at park and rec facilities during the hot summer months
- Provide accessible options for all ages and abilities
- Support a variety of sports and activities
- Expand bike, pedestrian, and trail connectivity

Community Resident Working Group



Goals, policies, and actions for parks, trails, art, and culture



People:

More families and young people
More things to do



Parks, Recreation, Trails:

Better trail and bike route connectivity
More amenities and sports facilities

Up Next



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- ▶ **Monday** – Water Resource Planning
- ▶ Watch the How OV Sustains video and/or read the associated background report
- ▶ To do: Let staff know if you can attend graduation

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