



ORPS Gold Medal Award

This award may be presented annually to not more than one (1) agency demonstrating excellence in long-range planning, resource management, and innovative approaches to delivering superb park and recreation services with fiscally sound business practices.

- ✓ Include the following documentation:
 - Link to brochure
 - Link to website
 - No more than 5 photos

2023 ORPS Gold Medal Awards Application

Profile Questions

1. Contact Information *

Application Point of Contact Name

Point of Contact Email

Point of Contact Phone

Department/Agency Name

Department Street Address 1

Department City

Department State

Department Zip Code

(Agency)

2. Agency Information

Name of Director

Director Email

Website Address

Program Brochure Website Link

Master Plan Website Link

3. Jurisdiction Information:

Note: Much of the following information is helpful in determining which agencies would be most similar for benchmarking purposes. These figures provide agencies with important demographic characteristics of the jurisdictions served by the various agencies. Most of the information can be found on the Census Bureau's website at:

<https://www.census.gov/quickfacts>

	FY2019 Actual	FY2023 Actual
What is the square mileage that your incorporated jurisdiction serves (estimate if necessary)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Jurisdiction population (estimate if necessary)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Jurisdiction Median Household Income (from Census data or estimates)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Percentage of jurisdiction population that is younger than 18 years of age	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Percentage of jurisdiction population that is older than 65 years of age	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Jurisdiction population growth rate from 2011-2020 (from Census data or estimates)

Jurisdiction Ethnic Distribution (will not necessarily total to 100%)

	FY2019 Actual	FY2023 Actual
White/Caucasian Persons	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Black/African American Persons	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
American Indian/Alaska Native Persons	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Asian Persons	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Persons	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Hispanic or Latino (any race) Origin Persons	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text" value="Enter another option"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Budget and Funding Summary

4. Budget and Funding Summary

What were your department's TOTAL operating expenditures for FY2019 and FY2023?

	FY2019 Actual	FY2023 Actual
Operating Expenditures	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

5. What percentage of your total operating expenditures in FY2019 came from the following sources (total must add to 100%)

Jurisdiction general fund

Agency fees and charges

Tax levy

School district taxes

Foundation grants

Sponsorship (please describe below)

Endowment (please describe below)

Special use taxes (please describe below)

State grants

Federal grants

Other (please describe below)

Other (please describe below)

Other (please describe below)

0 out of 100% Total

Comments

What percentage of your total operating expenditures in FY2023 came from the following sources (total must add to 100%)

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0 out of 100% Total

Comments

6. What were your department's TOTAL non-tax revenues (Earned Revenue) for FY2019 and FY2023?

FY2019 Actual

FY2023 Actual

Non-Tax Revenue:

7. What was your department's total capital budget in FY2019 and FY2023?

FY2019 Actual

FY2023 Actual

Total capital budget:

8. Statistical Indicator Summary

	FY2019 Actual	FY2023 Actual
Total number of acres:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Of the total acreage your department/agency maintains and/or has management responsibility over, what percentage is developed for parks and recreation purposes?	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Of the undeveloped land for which your department has management responsibility over or maintains, how many acres of land are: Designated Open Space Acres	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Of the undeveloped land for which your department has management responsibility over or maintains, how many acres of land are: Conservation Lands - Manage Habitat	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Of the undeveloped land for which your department has management responsibility over or maintains, how many acres of land are: Preservation Land Acres (no management)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
How many full-time (full-benefit/year-round) positions are in your parks and recreation budget?	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
How many non-full-time employee positions are in your parks and recreation department budget? (Seasonal employees, part-time employees, contract employees, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Total number of annual hours worked by volunteers:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Facilities

9. Please indicate the number of areas and facilities currently owned, leased or in cooperative agreements by your agency.

	FY2019 Actual	FY2023 Actual
Recreation Centers/Community Center	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Tennis Centers	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Outdoor Tennis Courts	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Outdoor Aquatic Centers	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Indoor Aquatic Centers	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Performing Art Centers	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Senior Center	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Splash Pad	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

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	FY2019 Actual	FY2023 Actual
Rectangular fields: Football only:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Rectangular fields: Soccer (Regulation size)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Rectangular fields: Soccer Small-sided)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Diamond fields: T-Ball	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Diamond fields: Baseball	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Diamond fields: Softball -with no mound - youth	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Diamond fields: Softball-with no mound - adult	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Facilities

11. Please indicate the number of areas and facilities currently owned, leased or in cooperative agreements by your agency.

	FY2019 Actual	FY2023 Actual
Golfcourse - Total number of non-Championship holes	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Driving range	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Dog park	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Conference Center	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Trials - miles of trails	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Nature/Interpretive Center	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Water Trails - miles of trails	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Performing and/or Visual Arts/Community Center	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Community Gardens	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

12. What makes your agency “Outstanding”? Please cite 3 specific examples that capture the outstanding nature of your agency as you serve your unique community. Each example provided will be worth up to 3 points, for a total of 9 possible points. (Total Maximum Word Count: 180)

13. Tell us your story about how your agency positively impacts the community you serve. Share with us 5 actions or activities your agency has been involved with or undertaken in the past three years. Each example provided will be worth up to 2 points, for a total of 10 possible points. (Total Maximum Word Count: 200)

14. There are few resources more critical than public support, citizen involvement, and staff engagement. Please identify one outstanding or innovative example for each of these three characteristics. Each example provided will be worth up to 3 points, for a total of 9 possible points. (Total Maximum Word Count: 210)

15. Public entities have been increasingly called upon to demonstrate the results of their services and practices to decision-makers and the general public. Please share with us 3 results, impacts, or outcomes you have measured and brief background about the benefit and how the results were secured. Each example provided will be worth up to 3 points, for a total of 9 possible points. (Total Maximum Word Count: 210)

Essay Questions

16. Park and recreation agencies have long been known for creativity and innovation. One of the desirable outcomes of the Gold Medal program is to identify these valuable efforts and approaches. Please identify and briefly explain 3 innovations implemented by your agency within the last 3 years. Each example provided will be worth up to 3 points, for a total of 9 possible points. (Total Maximum Word Count: 240)

17. What challenges has your community and/or agency experienced over the past 3 years and what steps or actions have you taken to resolve these challenges? Include agency role with the challenge, types of actions/steps taken, and effectiveness of approach. (3 points) (Total Maximum Word Count 210)

Essay Questions

18. Provide us with a link to your website. **Please make sure this link is fully functional!**

Is your website controlled by the agency or your jurisdiction?

Agency controlled

Control of jurisdiction

Provide us with a link to your program brochure. **Please make sure the link is fully functional.**