



CITY OF BANNING STAFF REPORT

TO: CITY COUNCIL

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MEETING DATE: February 10, 2026

SUBJECT: Parks and Recreation Report of Monthly Activities through the 2nd Quarter of Fiscal Year 2025/2026 - December 2025

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file.

BACKGROUND:

To better track the participation levels of parks and recreation program offerings and the facilities usage for parks and recreation programs and services, staff uses a monthly report that is compiled to present our numbers, help tell our story and allow for easy year over year comparison.

The ten-page report includes parks staff activities, park and facility usage, sports and classes participation, Senior activities, Banning Connect ridership and passes sold, aquatics programming, special events and the last page is a tracking page for trips and activities associated with the Outdoor Equity Program grant. The report is aligned with the fiscal year, July through June of each year and compiled each month.

Staff brings the report to the Council after each quarter of the Fiscal Year. Attached in this item, is the December 2025 report that contains participation information through the end of the 2nd quarter of FY 2025/26 and includes participation data for the first six months of Fiscal Year 2025/2026.

The 2nd quarter report shows ongoing park and facility usage as well as continued strong participation data throughout all programming areas. The December report shows a significant number of seasonal events that reached a large swath of Banning residents, including the Breakfast with Santa and Santa Shoppe, Christmas at the ranch and Downtown Christmas event and light parade.

The December report continues to show great participation throughout all programming and services offered in the Senior Center.

Our parks have a slight reduction in overall use in these months due to projects at Lions and Dysart parks. Homelessness, graffiti and vandalism continue to be an impactful issue in the parks. These negative incidents significantly impact our park staff's ability to perform ongoing park's maintenance and the general public's ability to safely and comfortably use the park.

JUSTIFICATION:

This report provides quantitative information pertinent to parks and recreation services offered for the City of Banning's residents.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact with this report

ALTERNATIVES:

None provided.

BUDGETED?:

No

CONTRACT/AGREEMENT:

No

ATTACHMENTS:

1. [Parks and Recreation MRA - December 2025.pdf](#)