



It Takes a City

Bridging LEAs to Resources for Enhanced Student Outcomes

AGENCIES

- **Court Social Services**
- **Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services**
- **Department of Parks and Recreation**



District of Columbia Court Social Services (CSS)



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Primary Function of CSSD

COURT SOCIAL SERVICES DIVISION (CSSD) is part of the District of Columbia Superior Court and is the District's juvenile probation agency. CSSD is responsible for serving and supervising juveniles involved in the "front-end" of the District's juvenile justice system. Those juveniles include: all newly arrested youth entering the Court system in juvenile delinquency cases, Persons In Need of Supervision (PINS) cases and truancy cases, probation, and diversion matters.



Primary Function of CSSD

- CSSD currently has an average of 1,600 juveniles under its supervision at any given time. The Division's staff is responsible for:
 - Screening and assessing each newly arrested youth's risk to public safety;
 - Making petition recommendations to the Office of the Attorney General;
 - Conducting youth and family assessments, including Family Group Conferences;
 - Advising and making recommendations to the Court throughout all phases of the adjudication process;
 - Conducting home, school, and community assessments toward the development of comprehensive pre- and post- disposition probation services, supervision plans and alternatives to detention;
 - Coordinating services and monitoring all court involved youth and
 - Recommending and facilitating commitment of youth to the District of Columbia's Department of Youth Rehabilitative Services;



CSSD- Key Initiatives

- Balanced And Restorative Justice (BARJ Drop-in Center)
- Delinquency Prevention Unit (DPU)
- CGC evaluations/therapy
- Tutoring/Mentoring
- Summer Curfew Initiatives
- School Visits/School Attendance Monitoring
- Internal Residential Review Committee (IRRC)
- Cool House – Therapeutic Group Home
- Walk-in Truancy Referrals
- Purchase of Services
- Red Door/Clothing Drive
- Referrals/collaboration with CSA and Community Collaboratives
- ACE Diversion Program



CSSD- Collaboration with Schools

- School visits
- Participation in IEP/manifestation meeting
- Truancy prevention meetings/presentations with schools
- Friday Community Support
- Truancy Task Force to address the new law



CSSD- Future Collaboration

- Seamless exchange of educational information
 - Easier entry into all schools and contact with school personnel
 - Accessibility to cumulative files



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DYRS: Primary Function

- Pre-Commitment
 - NOITC
 - Youth Assessment Unit
- Commitment
 - Case Management
 - Monitoring & Supervision
 - CAFAS & TDM
 - DC YouthLink
- Post-Commitment
 - Services & Supports



DYRS: Services to Youth & Families

- **Achievement Center**
 - Classes for Youth & Families
 - Resources for families
- **DC YouthLink Services**
 - National Center for Children & Families
 - Progressive Life Center
- **Therapeutic Placements**
 - Group Homes, Independent Living Programs, New Beginnings & Residential Treatment Centers



DYRS: Current Initiatives & Collaboration

- Participation in School Settings
 - Contribution to school meetings (IEP, Attendance, etc)
 - Increase communication with educators
- Community Supervision
 - Social Workers visiting schools and gather info on youth
 - Social Workers referring youth to appropriate services when having difficulties in school settings
- Quality Assurance
 - Review of youth's status every 90 days through the use of CAFAS/TDM



District of Columbia Department of Parks and Recreation



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What is Recreation & Leisure ?

Recreation and Leisure

- ***Leisure*** is an experience most likely to occur during freely chosen interactions characterized by a high degree of personal engagement that is motivated by the intrinsic satisfaction that expects to result.
- ***Recreation*** is activity voluntarily undertaken, primarily for pleasure and satisfaction, during leisure time. It is characterized by feelings of mastery, achievement, exhilaration, acceptance, success, and personal worth. It reinforces a positive self-image.

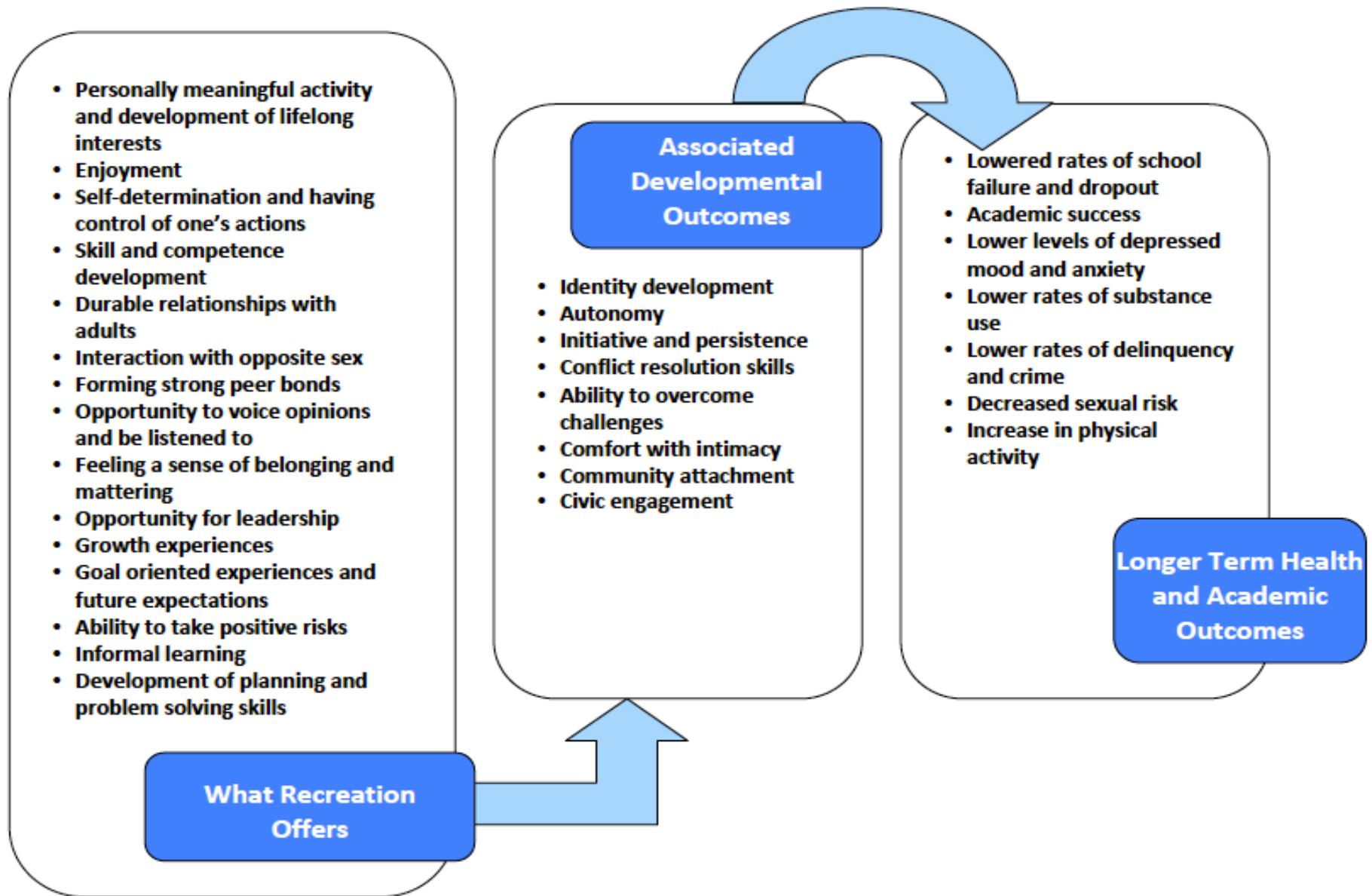


Benefits of Recreation and Leisure

■ Benefits

- Enjoyment and Fun
- Skill development
- Formation of strong peer and adult bonds
- Sense of belonging
- Problem-solving and conflict-resolution skills
- Self-regulation
- Self-esteem





Department of Parks and Recreation

Mission

- The DC Department of Parks and Recreation **works to enhance** the quality of life and wellness of DC residents and visitors by **providing** equal access to affordable and quality recreational services, by **organizing** programs, activities, and events.
- **Inventory of Amenities**
 - Over **931** acres of green space, **375** parks
 - **63** ball fields, **35** multi-purpose fields; **9** turf fields
 - **137** tennis courts & **199** basketball courts
 - **73** recreation centers
 - **18** large outdoor pools, **4** children pools, **11** indoor pools, & **20** spray parks
 - **92** playgrounds
 - **25** community gardens
 - **11** dog parks
 - **5** skate parks



Supporting Students and Families

■ Services

- Programming
- Activities
- Special Events (city-wide)
- Play spaces
- Facilities (pools, parks, fields, recreation centers)
- Permitting

■ Initiatives

- Play DC Playground Improvement Initiative
- Master Plan—a NEW, BOLD, and STRATEGIC vision for advancing the District's park and recreation resources over the next 15-20 years



DPR's Connection to Schools

■ School Collaborations

- DC SAC program
- Co-located sites
- Roving Leaders
- Use of facilities and fields for games and practices
- Use of DCPS fields and other amenities (*in accordance with our master plan*)
- Collaborative management of DCPS pools
- Generation swim
- Collaborative management of competitive high school swim teams
- Life guard training for summer employment opportunities
- Out-of-School Time programs



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