CITY OF MONROE Michigan

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The mission of the City of Monroe Parks and Recreation is to ..... **ENHANCE** the lives of its citizens and visitors by **ENCOURAGING** a healthy lifestyle and offering **SAFE** AND **QUALITY** parks and recreation experiences that highlight our area's **NATURAL** AND **CULTURAL RESOURCES**

ADULT RECREATION

Adult 17+ Coed Sand Volleyball League at Munson Park

When: Season begins June 2 and finishes once each team has played 12 games.

Time: 5:30, 6:15 or 7:00 pm, start times could vary based on # of teams

Team Fee: $180.00 includes everything but refs

Official Fee: $9 per team per game to be paid on the field – 1 official system

May 15: Deadline for all teams to submit team fees, team entry forms and completed roster with addresses/birth dates (signature page is due before first game starts)

Frequently Asked Questions for Adult Sports

How old do you need to be? Most leagues are ages 17+

How do we pay? Adult Softball and Volleyball - Pay the team fee with the completed team entry form and completed roster at the Monroe Parks & Recreation Dept. (cash or check payable to Monroe Recreation Dept, Credit card-fees apply), through the mail, or use the City Payments Drop Box located on the south side of City Hall off of parking lot. **Adult Soccer** - registration fees are per player and can be paid through the above ways

What forms do we need? Team entry form, roster and player signature page are available in our office, on our website, www.monroemi.gov, and through email (signature page can be turned in right before 1st game), **Adult soccer** - individual registration form available in office, online and through email

Where can I get a schedule: Email recreation@monroemi.gov for a schedule

How can I find out about rainouts & cancellations? Info regarding cancellations may be listed on the schedule or posted on Facebook.

Spring Coed Adult Soccer League

When: Games begin 04/26/20, 8 games on Sunday afternoon/evenings

Where: Munson Park soccer fields

Register: In person, Drop Box (on side of City Hall off Macomb St parking lot), or mail to City of Monroe Parks & Recreation: 120 E. First St, Monroe, MI 48161

Fee: $65 PER PLAYER ($75 after APRIL 6 DEADLINE) Cash, Check or Credit Card (fees apply-no phone registrations). Includes team t-shirt. Checks payable to City of Monroe.

Summer adult soccer begins mid-July and Fall starts in September!

Friday Night Line Dancing in St. Mary's Park!

Everyone had a great time last August at our first line dancing night! Watch our Facebook page and Summer Newsletter for more information on Line Dancing in 2020!

Summer Adult Softball

Men's Slow Pitch League
Thursday evenings
Season begins: May 7
Fee: $450

Women's Slow Pitch League
Wednesday evenings
Season begins: May 6
Fee: $450

Coed League
Sunday evenings
Season begins: May 3
Fee: $385

DEADLINE TO REGISTER YOUR TEAM: Monday, March 30

*See Frequently Asked Questions section for registration information

2019 Adult Softball Highlights

Congratulations to League and Tournament Champions!

Summer League Champions

Men's D1- Monroe Naz Gray
Men's D2 - Beek's Bar & Grill
Men's D3 - Mugsy's/Gary Brown Taxidermy
Women's - Manheim/Fountain View/Clamdigger

Coed D1 - Scrappers (4-peat)
Coed D2 - LaRoy Door
Coed D3 - Warriors/Safety 1st

Summer Tournament Champions

Women's - Lajiness Portable Restrooms/Trapperz • Coed - Larson's/Lather Barbershop

Fall League Champions

Men's - Brew Jays • Coed Upper - Lather Barbershop/Detroit Beach Pizzeria • Coed Lower - Scared Hitless

2020 YOUTH TEE BALL, SOFTBALL & BASEBALL

City of Monroe Parks & Recreation Dept, 120 E. First St., Monroe, MI 48161; Phone: 734-384-9156
Hours: 8am – 4:30 pm. Please call ahead as office may be closed for lunch. Drop box located on south side of City Hall off of parking lot, E-Mail: recreation@monroemi.gov
City Website: www.monroemi.gov Facebook: City of Monroe MI, Parks & Recreation Dept

COED T-BALL AGES 3-6, Age as of 5/30/20
Game Location-Munson and/or Roessler
City of Monroe Resident- $20 Non-Resident- $27

Tiny Teammates (3 yr) Boys and Girls
Mon/Wed games

Little Sluggers (4 yr) Boys and Girls
Tues/Thurs games

Coed T- Ball (5-6 yr) Boys and Girls
M/W games or T/TH games
(6 yr olds may play in Boys or Girls Junior League instead of teeball if parents feel they are ready)

GIRLS SOFTBALL AGES 6-12, Age as of 12/31/19

City of Monroe Resident- $29, Non-Resident- $36

Girls Junior (6-8 yr) – Machine Pitch
M/W at Munson/Roessler (occasional Thurs/Fri.if needed)

Girls Minor (9-10 yr) - Machine Pitch
No special requests, draft
M/W at Munson/Frenchtown/Erie

Girls Monroe Co. Fast Pitch Jr. Div (11-12 yr) Travel League
No special requests, draft, home field – Munson
T/TH games (occasional Fridays possible)
League travels to locations in Monroe County.

Fair Team Participation

All City of Monroe league participants who fit the age requirements set by the fair may try out for the 12U Monroe County Fair Tournament All Star Team. Dates for tryouts will be announced. No additional pmt is required for participation on the fair team.

BOYS BASEBALL AGES 6-15, Age as of 4/30/20

City of Monroe Resident- $29 Non-Resident- $36

Boys Junior (6-8 yr) -Machine Pitch
M/W at Munson/Roessler

Boys Minor (9-10 yr) – Player and Machine Pitch
No special requests, draft
T/TH at Munson/Roessler/Frenchtown

Boys Major (11-12 yr)
No special requests, draft
M/W at Munson/Frenchtown
(occasional Fridays are possible)

Boys River Raisin Jr. (13-15yr) Travel League
There may be 2 divisions in this league, Recreation (less competitive) and Accelerated (more competitive).Coaches may hold tryouts. No special requests, draft, M/W/F – League travels to locations in Monroe County. **REGISTER EARLY!**

Important Dates

- **April 1: Deadline to register. $5 late fee per family after this date.** Players registered after this date are waitlisted & will be placed if room. No special request honored after April 1.
- **April 30:** Coaches may receive equipment and roster info and start contacting parents to set up practices. **Please wait to hear from a coach.**
- **May 1 - May 18:** Most teams start practicing.
- **Week of May 18:** 8 and under leagues begin games.
- **Saturday, May 30:** Picture day. No games will be held, Individual and team photos taken.

-Leagues ages 3-8 should finish in late June; ages 9 and over may finish around mid-July.
-For ages 3-8 **one** special request will be considered, but not guaranteed. **No requests will be honored after April 1.**
-Players will not be moved after rosters are made.
-This schedule, including game locations, is tentative depending on registration.
-No refunds once teams are set. All refunds subject to a 10% service charge.
-If needed, a City of Monroe league may combine with a league in a neighboring community.
-Every effort will be made to reschedule when more than two games have been rained out.

YOUR CHILD CANNOT PARTICIPATE UNTIL THEIR CONCUSSION FORM IS ON FILE.

State law requires that all players have a one-time (form remains on file in our office until child turns 18) concussion form on file each place they play a contact sport before they play. If you have not already submitted a concussion form, you may obtain a form from the office or online at www.monroemi.gov Both parent and child must sign the form.

2019 YOUTH BALL HIGHLIGHTS

Great job to our City of Monroe 2019 League Champions!

Boys Junior League Champions
Advanced Plumbing

Girls Junior League Champions
Kiwanis Club of Monroe

Girls MCFP Jr. League Champions
Fountain View of Monroe

Boys Major League Champions
Monroe County Community Credit Union

2019 MONROE COUNTY FAIR TEAMS

We are very proud of all the players and coaches and how they represented the City of Monroe during the tournament!

Congratulations to the 12U Girls Team
who beat out some tough teams to become Champions of the 2019 Monroe County Fair Tournament! This was the second year in a row the girls team was crowned champions!

Great job 12U Boys Fair Team
competing in the Monroe County Fair Tournament! Competition was tough but the boys fought hard and had fun!

Diamond of Dreams Tournament

The 8U and 10U Boys Fair Teams made up of players from City of Monroe Recreation teams had a great time and gave it their best in the Monroe County Fair Diamond of Dreams Tournament. Great job players and coaches!!

The 8U Fair Team

The 10U Fair Team

31st Annual Daddy Daughter Dance

Dads, Grandpas, Brothers, Uncles (or other adult male family members) can escort their little sweethearts to a wonderful evening to celebrate in a very special and memorable way! The festivities will include music, dancing, refreshments and a fun photo booth to dress up and take pictures. Professional picture packages will be available for purchase (these photos may be delivered to the local schools), or bring your own camera; a photo station with a volunteer will take pictures using your camera, phone, etc.

When: Saturday, February 29, 2020
Time: 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. (Doors open at 5:30 p.m.)
Where: Monroe High School, 901 Herr Rd., Monroe
Fee: $22.00 per couple; $8.00 each additional daughter.
Minimum age: 3 years of age

Tickets go on sale Friday, January 31, 2020- Get yours early, it often sells out!

Tickets will not be available at the door. Bring or mail Ticket Order Form with full payment to:

Monroe Parks & Recreation
120 East First Street
Monroe, MI 48161
Mon.– Fri. 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Please call ahead, may be closed for lunch.

OR

Monroe Community Education
1275 N. Macomb St.
Monroe MI 48162
Mon. – Fri. 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Ticket order forms available at the above locations, through email, on Facebook (City of Monroe, MI Parks & Recreation Dept) and at monroemi.gov. For further information call:
Monroe Parks & Recreation–(734) 384-9156, email:recreation@monroemi.gov

MOM & SON BOWLING

Sponsored by the City of Monroe Parks & Recreation Department and Monroe Public Schools Community Education Department

Moms, grandmas, and aunts are invited to accompany their special guy (ages 4 years and older) for a fun and exciting afternoon of bowling. This special event will consist of 3 games of scotch doubles, including one game of "crazy bowling". Shoes, prizes, pizza, pop, and cookies provided. Pre-registration is required. Bumper bowling is available for this event. Lane assignments will be made prior to arriving at the event. The female bowling partner must be an adult, age 18 or older. Sons will receive a small gift at the end. **Please do not bring other spectators as this event is for mom and registered sons only. Pizza served promptly at 1pm.**

When: Sunday, March 22, 2020, 1p.m. – 3p.m.
Where: Monroe Sports Center, 15425 S. Dixie Hwy, Monroe, MI 48161
Fee: Mom and One Son $27.00, Mom and Two Sons $40.00

Deadline to register: Mon. March 16 **There is a limited number of lanes. Sign up early to guarantee your spot! Registration forms available at the locations below, through email, Facebook and online, please call for questions!**

Make checks payable to Monroe Recreation or Monroe Public Schools depending on where you are registering.

Monroe Recreation
120 East First Street
Monroe, MI 48161
Monday - Friday 8a.m. – 4:30p.m.

OR

Monroe Community Education
1275 N. Macomb St.
Monroe, MI 48162
Monday - Friday 9a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

For further info call: City of Monroe Parks & Recreation,(734)384-9156 or MPS Community Education, (734)265-3170

Stewardship Monroe

Thank you to all the hardworking volunteers who put in many hours to make our parks look fantastic!

Trinity 5th and 6th grade helped clean up Hellenberg Park multiple tiimes after the river overflowed its banks.

Sara Easter and Team EEHORN planted the flowers at Front and Third Streets.

Caleb and Alexis Keister weeded the landscape at Worrell Park.

Owen Shassberger and Ida Scout Troop 538 built a footbridge/boardwalk in the trails at the back of Munson Park.

Scout Heinzerling and La-Z-Boy employees painted the Riverwalk.

Thanks to all for your time and effort! Overall, 288 volunteer labor hours were logged in 2019 and the hard work, dedication and time volunteers invested in our park system is appreciated.

Table 7. City of Monroe Parks and Recreation Facilities

	Park Name	Size (Ac)	General Purpose	Lighted Ball Field	Baseball Field (no lights)	Softball Field (no lights)	Football	Soccer	Sand Volleyball	Basketball	Pickleball
Community Parks	Father Cairns Park	4.2	Sports & play	•							
	Hellenberg Park	9.2	Boat launch, sports & play		•					•	
	Munson Park	214.0	Sports, play & picnicking	•		•		•	•		
	St. Mary's Park	3.0	Concerts, play, walk & picnicking							•	
	Soldiers & Sailors Park	1.2	Sports, play, & picnicking							•	
	Veteran's Park	2.3	Play, picnicking & river viewing								
Neighborhood Parks	Arbor-Lorain Park	0.1	Play								
	Boyd Park	0.5	Play & picnicking								
	Frenchman's Bend Park	0.4	Play & picnicking								
	Hoffman Park	2.7	Play & picnicking								
	James & Hendricks Park	3.5	Play & picnicking								
	Labor Park	0.1	Passive open space								
	Lavender Park	1.2	Sports, play & picnicking							•	
	Manor Park	5.5	Sports, play & picnicking								•
River Raisin Heritage Trail & Associated Parks & Open Spaces	Downtown Riverwalk	0.5 mi.	Non-motorized pedestrian path								
	Altrusa Park	0.1	Picnic & performance								
	Cappuccilli Park	1.9	River viewing & picnicking								
	Elm Avenue Bike Path	0.8 mi.	Non-motorized multi-use path								
	Plum Creek Park	2.4	Passive open space								
	Rauch Park	2.1	Passive open space								
	River Raisin Memorial	0.4	Passive open space								
	Rivière-aux-Raisins Park	1.9	Passive open space								
	Worrell Park	1.0	Passive open space								
City Gateway & Special Purpose Sites	Front/Third/Union Park	0.1	Passive open space								
	Gateway Park	0.4	Passive open space								
	Noble/Dixie Skate Park	1.7	Play and passive open space								
	Memorial Place	0.7	Historic passive space								
Landscape Areas	Elliot Park	0.4	Passive open space								
	Central Park	0.4	Passive open space								
	Crescent Park	0.7	Passive open space								
	Median Park	0.3	Passive open space								
	Noble Park	0.5	Passive open space								
Undeveloped	Oak Forest Park	7.0	Undeveloped								
	Mill Race Park	14.2	Undeveloped								
Indoor Facilities	Arthur Lesow Community Center	0.9	Recreation center & services							•	
	Sawyer Homestead	1.1	Historic building and garden								
School District Properties	MLK Park – Orchard Center	-								•	
	Navarre Park & Playground	-									
	Roessler Field at Riverside School	-		•		•					

Tennis Court	Walking Path	Play Structure	Swings	Other Play Equipment	Outdoor Swimming	Boat Launch	Picnic Shelter	Picnic Tables	Grills	Restrooms	Park Lighting	Signage	Parking Lot	Benches	Bike Rack	Fix-it Bike Station	Irrigation System	Skate Park	Performance Area	Memorials & Monuments	Other
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New Playscape at Veteran's Park

Be sure to visit Veteran's Park (1671 N. Custer) and enjoy our new nature themed playscape!

GENERAL INFORMATION

Park Rules and Regulations Refresher

From time to time, it is important to review some park rules to make sure all park users are safe and enjoy their visit. All City of Monroe park rules and regulations are posted in parks and are enforced under city ordinance no. 95-017. We are highlighting a few in this newsletter.

Smoke Free Parks

We've all heard the negative effects of smoking; it compromises the immune system, increases respiratory infections, causes heart and lung damage, increases the risk for osteoporosis, increases the risk for cancer, and more. Even secondhand smoke can cause the same diseases in those who have never smoked.

Public Act 188 of 2009, Michigan's Smoke-Free Air Law established that all food establishments and all public places are now smoke free. This law was passed to "preserve and improve the health, comfort, and environment of the people of the state by limiting exposure to secondhand smoke."

In an effort to create healthier parks, especially for children, the City of Monroe Parks and Recreation Department has adopted a smoke free park policy. While this may take some time for all to be aware of, we will strive to educate all park users. For help to quit, please call 1-800-QUIT-NOW (1-800-784-8669). Let's work toward a healthier Monroe!

All Dogs Must be on Leashes

In all City parks, dogs must be on a leash not over six (6) feet long and cannot run at large. While your dog may seem safe to you, dogs can be unpredictable. Not everyone is an animal lover, and some park users may even feel unsafe when dogs are running off leash. Owners of domestic animals shall be held responsible for the presence of their animal in any of the City parks and playgrounds. While it may seem tempting, parks are not off leash areas. Please leash your dog at all times!

Community Garden Plot Rentals

Don't have a space for a garden but love fresh fruits and vegetables? Think about renting a garden plot at Munson Park!

Growing your own food is an attractive alternative to the high prices of grocery shopping, and it also gives you a sense of pride watching your garden produce healthy choices for your family and getting exercise at the same time! Tilling and general maintenance of the plot is up to each renter. Water is available at the site, but gardeners need to supply their own hoses, tools, plants, soil amendments and fertilizers. Thanks to the volunteers, a composting bin is available for community garden use.

Garden plots are available to rent in the Recreation office. Renters may plant as early as they would like. Through Memorial Day there is a rental limit of one plot, and after that date renters may sign up for an additional plot. Lot renters have the ability to keep their plot from year to year if they sign up for it in January.

Lot Size 20' x 20'	Lot Size 10' x 10'
Fee (ages 18-61) $22 Resident $24 Non-city resident	Fee (ages 18-61) $12 Resident $14 Non-city resident
Fee, seniors (ages 62+) $16 Resident $18 Non-city resident	Fee, seniors (ages 62+) $10 City resident $12 Non-city resident

Important Dates

January 1-31: Previous year renters may sign up to rent last year's plot.
February 1: City of Monroe residents may reserve a plot.
March 1: Non-city residents may reserve a plot.
Memorial Day: Current renters may sign up for additional plots if available.
Munson Park is open 7 am until 10 pm, 7 days a week!

The Monroe Parks & Recreation Department participates in the **Detroit Zoo Tickets and More Online Discount Program!!** You may buy specially priced tickets for the Detroit Zoo over the internet with the added convenience of printing your tickets and then presenting them at the Zoo entrance. Purchasing tickets has never been easier!

You may purchase tickets online immediately by visiting your exclusive **Detroit Zoo Tickets and More Online Discount Program** ticket store. Go directly to your online 24/7 store from any computer with the Internet connection to: *https://tickets.detroitzoo.org* and enter your exclusive Ticket Store User Name: Monroe. We hope you and your family enjoy the Detroit Zoo this season! For more information contact the Monroe Recreation Dept at 734-384-9156 today!

2020 SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

The City of Monroe Parks & Recreation Department invites you to partner with us as we serve our community. Please read about our program offerings below and let us know if you'd like to help provide quality programming to our residents. Recreational activities provide positive social and physical opportunities for youth and adults, and provide a sense of well being and belonging to all.

Sponsors will receive the following advertising:

- Your organization will be mentioned in our newsletter.
- If the program participants wear tee shirts, your business name or logo will be included on the tee shirt.
- For General Programs and Concert Series Sponsor, banners will be posted at the program (if feasible) while it is in session. Banner size will be determined by amount of sponsorship.
- We invite you to visit any programs that you may sponsor!

Youth Ball

Your logo will be placed on the program tee shirts and you will be listed on the schedules. Please specify if you have a particular coach or participant you wish to sponsor. If you have no preference, you will be assigned to a team. Deadline to sponsor is April 1.

Fee per team: $125 Tee Ball (Coed ages 3-6)
$175 Youth Softball (Girls ages 7-14)
or Baseball (Boys ages 7-14)

Adult Soccer

Your logo will be placed on the program tee shirts and you will be listed on the schedules. Please specify if you have a particular team you wish to sponsor.

If you have no preference, you will be assigned to a team.

Fee: $150

Deadline to sponsor is Spring: March 1st, Summer: June 1, and Fall: August 1.

Summer Playground Tot Lot

This neighborhood drop-in program offers a safe play environment for kids ages 5-12 years. Activities include various types of games, crafts and field trips. Lots are located throughout the City of Monroe. Your banner will be posted daily at the lot for the duration of the program.

Fee: $350 Deadline to sponsor is March 1.

Fitness in the Park

Various free fitness programs including Yoga, Tai Chi, and Body Sculpt are open to all ages to develop and encourage fitness and health.

Fee: $250 per program. Deadline to sponsor is March 1.

Concerts in the Park

Concert sponsorships range in price according to the bands. Family fun is offered at the St. Mary's Park Band Shell as various performers entertain for a summer evening. Call 734-384-9193 for details if you wish to sponsor a particular band. Deadline for sponsor to be included in summer newsletter is March 1.

Court Dances

There are two dances each summer at the St. Mary's Park Tennis Courts where people bring their lawn chairs and enjoy listening and dancing to tunes from the 50's and 60's.

Fee: $300 per dance Deadline to sponsor is March 1.

Canine Classes

Dog classes are offered to promote happy pets and pet owners.

Fee: $150 Deadline to sponsor is March 1.

Track & Field

This program is offered for youth ages 6-12 and teaches the fundamentals of track & field events.

Fee: $400 Deadline to sponsor is March 1.

Mom/Son Bowling

This event is co-sponsored by Monroe Public Schools Community Education Department and the Monroe Parks & Recreation Department. Moms and sons enjoy a fun night of pizza and bowling.

Fee: $250 Deadline to sponsor is February 1.

Daddy/Daughter Dance

This event is co-sponsored by Monroe Public Schools Community Education Department and the Monroe Parks & Recreation Department. Dads and daughters enjoy a special date night as they dance the evening away.

Fee: $250 Deadline to sponsor is February 1.

If you have any questions, or would like to discuss an opportunity, please call 734-384-9193 and we will be happy to assist you!

A HUGE THANK YOU TO OUR 2019 PROGRAM SPONSORS!!

ADVANCED PLUMBING OF MONROE, LLC
ALLEN CHEVROLET
ALL TEMP HEATING & COOLING
ALLORE-MARTENSON FUNERAL HOME
BENLEE
COLLISION CENTER AT FRIENDLY FORD LINCOLN
DANNY'S FROZEN CUSTARD
DIRECTIONS CREDIT UNION
DTE ENERGY FOUNDATION
EDWARD JONES
FOUNTAIN VIEW OF MONROE
FRIENDLY FORD LINCOLN
GO M.A.D. FITNESS
HANDMADE BY HOPSON
HASSETT TITLE COMPANY, INC.
INDUSTRIAL INSPECTION COMPANY
ITC HOLDINGS CORP.
KIWANIS CLUB OF MONROE
LA-Z-BOY INCORPORATED
LOTUS FINANCIAL SERVICES
MARY SACCO'S PIZZA
MCMULLIN DENTAL CARE
MONROE COUNTY COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION
OUR HOUSE GAMES
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RUPP FUNERAL HOME INC.
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GENERAL INFORMATION

How can we HELP YOU?

E-mail us your comments, suggestions, questions or concerns at: **recreation@monroemi.gov**, or give us a call at: 734-384-9156.

This newsletter can be viewed and downloaded on the City of Monroe website: www.monroemi.gov. and on Facebook. It can also be sent directly to your email if you request.

Facebook:
City of Monroe, MI Parks & Recreation Dept

Program Information, rainouts and cancellations will be posted here when possible. Please check our page for updates since all updates aren't viewed in all newsfeeds.

Program Cancellations

When you register for any of our programs, please just show up at the times and dates listed for your activity. The Parks & Recreation Department reserves the right to cancel any activity due to lack of enrollment, inclement weather, or cause beyond our control. Every effort will be made to contact the participants in advance and to schedule a makeup date and time. Most cancellations are posted on our Facebook page.

Call Us Before You Come

It is our greatest desire to serve all participants that visit our office. With limited staffing, we may not always be open at lunch. Please call us before at 734-384-9156 to make sure someone will be here if you need to see us on your lunch hour.

Registration

Participants may use the form provided in this newsletter or at our office at City Hall, 120 E. First St. Registrations are accepted through the mail or dropped off in our office or using the drop box located off the parking lot adjacent to City Hall.

Instructors Wanted:
Adult Activities and Programs

Do you have a specialized skill or area of expertise you would like to teach others in the community? Contact us today at 734-384-9156. If you enjoy doing it, chances are, others will too!

Activity Photos

If photos are taken of participants in a class, during a special event, or at the City's parks, they are for the Parks and Recreation usage only and may be used in our brochures, pamphlets, flyers, Facebook, or on the website.

Statement of Inclusion

We want people of all abilities to be able to participate in our programs. We encourage and promote recreational opportunities that include everyone.

Always Ask Your Doctor First!

As with any exercise, there are risks. A physician's exam is recommended for all participants who have any exercise restrictions and/or over 40 years of age. Be smart with your health!

Youth Scholarships

As funds are donated, a limited number of partial scholarships for youth from low income households to participate in programs will be available by summer. Applicants will be required to submit income forms. Please call 734-384-9156 if you would like to donate or apply for this program.

Late Registrations

Late registrants may be responsible to order and pay for their own tee shirt for all activities that include a tee shirt.

Program Philosophy

City of Monroe Parks & Recreation Dept classes, facilities, events, and sports teams are designed to give opportunity for personal growth, good sportsmanship, responsible stewardship, making new friends, and physical fitness to all skill levels. Activities are geared for recreational fun, not unhealthy competition.

Drop Box Registration

If you cannot get to City Hall during regular business hours the city payments drop box is here to serve you! It is located on the outside of City Hall off the Macomb St. parking lot on the south side of the building. Please use an envelope when turning in forms/ making payments.

The City of Monroe staff is here to serve you!

Residents can find the help they need by phone, online, or in person.

City Hall: Open Monday – Friday, 8:00 am till 4:30 pm

What can we do to help? Listed below are phone numbers and a brief summary of the most commonly used services. Voicemail is available 24/7.

We're Online! www.monroemi.gov

MyMonroe On The Go: The City of Monroe now offers a smartphone app, 'MyMonroe On The Go,' to report civic issues in the community. It's a convenient way for residents and visitors to report non-emergency concerns and track a report through to its completion. Available as a free download in both IOS and Android, or linked to the City's web site: www.monroemi.gov.

E-Services: Online services include new and convenient web forms for submitting permits and applications, and payments processing for permits, fees, citations, parking tickets, water bills, and tax bills *(convenience fees apply)*. Also available are news and announcements, performance dashboard, job postings, community calendar, city ordinances, staff directory, links to our social media, and much more.

Facebook: City of Monroe, MI Parks & Recreation Dept, The City of Monroe, Michigan and Downtown Monroe, MI
Like all three pages to keep up on latest news and photos!

Assessor: (734) 384-9166

Property information can be viewed online under "Property Information". Valuations are estimated annually as of December 31. Notice of Assessment changes are sent out in February, and the Board of Review is held in March. Tax bills are mailed out in May and December.

Building/Zoning: (734) 384-9186

Blight violations and building permits are handled through the Building Department. All building department forms are available online or at the Building Department counter. Applications for any special event that will be held in a city park or within the city limits are available online.

Office of the Clerk-Treasurer: (734) 384-9140

Michelle J. LaVoy, Clerk-Treasurer
The office of the Clerk-Treasurer is your point of contact for anything in the city having to do with voting, council agendas and minutes, public records, freedom of information requests and permits to sell items including food to the public or to raise money for charity. We also collect all city payments including but not limited to taxes, utilities (water) and recreation fees. Cash, checks or credit cards are accepted for payments. For you convenience, there is a 24 hour drop box located on the south side of City Hall, off of Macomb Street in the City Hall parking lot.

*Not sure what precinct you live in? Call the Clerk's office.

DPS – Department of Public Services: (734) 384-9125

Any issues with trash pick-up, recycle bins, leaf bags, yard waste collection, potholes, street sweeping and drainage, snow removal, traffic signals, high grass and weed reporting, and forestry, including tree planting, trimming, and removal, can be directed here.
Yard waste pick up begins in early April and runs through the first full week in December.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Mark Cochran, Assistant to the City Manager & Economic Development Coordinator, 734-384-9129
Annette Knowles, Downtown/Economic Development Coordinator, 734-384-9146

The City of Monroe is home to a diverse business community ranging from large international corporations to entrepreneurial small businesses. Working with federal, state and local partners, the City's economic development staff proactively works with businesses and residents to offer a higher quality of life and success. The Monroe Downtown Development Authority is one local partner that focuses its efforts on preserving and enhancing the downtown district through promotion, development and building a sense of place. The Monroe DDA website is www.DowntownMonroeMI.com.

Engineering: (734) 384-9126

Any streetlight outages, utility information and mapping, and construction project information is available through the Engineering Dept.

Public Safety:

Fire:
Station #1, 911 E. Third, Monroe, MI 48161: (734) 241-1626
Station #2, 1755 N. Custer, Monroe, MI 48162: (734) 241-0522
Facebook: Monroe Fire Department

Police:
Non-Emergency: (734) 243-7500
Make a report or complaint: (734) 241-3300

Human Resources: (734) 384-9195

The City's employment application, current job openings, various collective bargaining agreements, and the City's Title VI non-discrimination plan are available online. City policies & procedures and employee benefit summaries are also available.

Mayor/Manager: (734) 384-9144

Mayor: Robert E. Clark

Council:

Paula Whitman, 1st Precinct
John Iacoangeli, 2nd Precinct
Kellie Vining, 3rd Precinct
Michelle Germani, 4th Precinct
Brian Lamour, 5th Precinct
Andrew Felder, 6th Precinct

City Manager: Vince Pastue

Beginning in 2020, the City of Monroe will be changing the process to apply for a special event permit. The application will be available online and can be filled out electronically. It also features a helpful enhancement where you can upload a site plan for your event from the park maps provided, which you can customize for your event.
The new form can be found on the city's webpage:
http://forms.monroemi.gov/Forms/Special Event
Once the application is filled out, it will be sent electronically to the City Manager's Office for processing.

Parks and Recreation: (734) 384-9156

Any issues with park maintenance may be reported on MyMonroe On The Go app, or please call 734-384-9120.

Information on recreation programs, shelter rentals, Stewardship Monroe volunteer opportunities, and concerts in the park is available in our newsletters or through our office. Events may be posted on our Facebook page (City of Monroe, MI Parks & Recreation Dept). Get all the info you need quickly on Facebook or on the city website!

Wastewater: (734) 241-5926

Please report any sewer backup or odor to this number.

Water: (734) 384-9150 For emergencies after hours and weekends: (734) 241-5947

Request automated payments, water e-bill, report a damaged hydrant, water service line, meter information, water billing issues, and water quality or pressure concerns.

City of Monroe Parks & Recreation 2020 Park Facility Reservations

Park Rentals open Febuary 1st, at City Hall, 120 E. First Street Monroe, MI 48161, 734-384-9156, recreation@monroemi.gov

Open Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Office may close for lunch: please call to confirm)

Enjoy our smoke and alcohol free parks! Vehicles are not allowed in parks.

Special event applications can be found online at: www.monroemi.gov

Type of Facility	Location(s)	City Resident Fee	Non City Resident Fee
Large Shelters (with electricity)	Munson #1/Restroom Munson #2/Gazebo (approx 80 people each)	$65.00	$85.00
Small Shelter (no electricity)	St. Mary's (approx 30 people)	$50.00	$65.00
Band Shell / Shelter	St. Mary's (Key deposit is refunded if bandshell is properly locked and key is returned on time)	$300.00 Rental Fee + $150.00 key deposit = $450.00	$365.00 Rental Fee + $150.00 key deposit = $515.00
Neighborhood Small Shelters (Veterans Park 1 & 3 have electricity)	Boyd, MLK, Veteran's Soldiers & Sailors	$25.00	$35.00
Corporate Event Fee- City Resident Businesses Only	All Parks (Amenities additional fee)	$250.00	N/A
Clean-up Deposit	Corporate and Special Events as determined. Refunded if park is cleaned after event	$200.00	N/A
Wedding Gazebo	Lauer-Finzel Parking Lot	$100.00	$150.00
Ball Diamond	Munson (Youth & Adult), Fr. Cairns	$25 Per Field Per Hour	$35 Per Field Per Hour
		Field lining is additional. Rental does not include access to Munson score shed or use of lights.	
Sand Volleyball Court	Munson	$25.00	$35.00
Tennis Court	St. Mary's, Munson, Soldiers & Sailors	$25.00	$35.00

City of Monroe Park Facility Cancellation Policy: Any person who has reserved a facility may cancel a reservation by notifying the Monroe Recreation Department no later than three (3) weeks (21 calendar days) prior to the scheduled use, less 10% handling fee. No refund for inclement weather. Refund will be mailed by check within 30 days of the date of cancellation. Failure to provide cancellation notice within the established time period will forfeit the reservation fee.

City of Monroe Recreation Registration Form

120 East First Street, Monroe, MI 48161; Phone: 734-384-9156; Office Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
E-mail: recreation@monroemi.gov; **Website: www.monroemi.gov**

Drop off or mail in registration. Late registrants may be responsible to pay for their own tee shirt.

Participant's First & Last Name	Date of Birth	Age	Gender	Shirt Size (If applicable) YS YM YL AS AM AL AXL AXXL	Activity Name / Session	Fee
			M / F			

Adult Participant/
Parent's Name:_____

Phone:_____ Alt. Phone:_____

Street Address:_____

City:_____ State:_____Zip Code:_____

E-Mail:_____

Emergency Contact
Name (Not Parent):_____

Emergency Contact Phone:_____

Interested in Coaching? (Print your name and phone number)_____

Youth Ball Special Request-ages 3-8 only _____

RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

In consideration of this registration being accepted, I hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages which I may have against the City of Monroe, the Monroe Recreation Department, and/or their employees, agents, representatives, successors and assigns on account of any injuries suffered by myself and/or any child of mine arising out of my or our participation in the program or activity above referenced. I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Monroe, the Monroe Recreation Department, and/or their employees, agents, representatives, successors and assigns from any and all claims which may be made by or account of any person on account of any rights and claims released by this document. This indemnity agreement includes any and all damages, costs and attorney fees.

I agree that any child of mine will participate according to the rules, regulations, and/or bylaws for the activity referenced above. I understand that special requests are not guaranteed. If photos are taken of participants in a class during a special event or at the City parks, they are for the Monroe Recreation Department usage only and may be used in the Monroe Recreation Department brochures, pamphlets, and flyers, or on the web.

SIGNATURE: _____**DATE:** _____

YOUTH BALL-Ages 9 and older only, Please complete in order to assist in team placement.

My child has participated in organized t-ball, baseball or softball for _____ years. Indicate the amount of experience your child has at **EACH** position listed

	PITCHER	CATCHER	INFIELDER	OUTFIELDER
SOME				
NONE				
VERY				

I request my child be moved up one age level and I take full responsibility for moving them up. (Please initial here)_____

OFFICE USE ONLY: _____ _____ _____ _____ **Concussion Form** ☐
Date Received Receipt No. Total Paid Initials