

Explore Lynchburg's Parks, Trails & Facilities



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Welcome

For many of you, this brochure will describe parks, trails, and community spaces that are already familiar and dear to you, your families and friends. For some of you, these places are new, unfamiliar, and unexplored. Our public spaces are as diverse as the community of Lynchburg — large, small, busy, peaceful, connected to the community or found in a quiet corner. Within these spaces are places to swim, hike, learn, bike, stroll, laugh, lounge, play and compete. These parks and trails are available to everyone for relaxation, exploration, and enjoyment.

Lynchburg's first park was given as a gift to the citizens of Lynchburg in 1862. Since that initial gift of 18 acres by Samuel Miller, Lynchburg's citizens, businesses, and civic groups have continued to expand and improve our public spaces through generous donations of time, energy, money, and care.

Recent improvements include renovations to Younger Park, Riverfront Park and Yoder Neighborhood Center. Riverside Park is undergoing extensive renovations as a result of a two-year master planning process. Citizens are currently fundraising to build Lynchburg's first dog park to be located in the Blackwater Creek Athletic Area. Phase I of Ivy Creek Park, including a six-acre lake, opened June 3, 2011.

Perhaps most importantly, these spaces belong to you. We hold them in trust for the community, and no work is more important to Lynchburg Parks and Recreation than our jobs as stewards of the public lands, trails, and facilities entrusted to our care. During this decade, Lynchburg's first park will be 150 years old. In those 150 years, Lynchburg's parks have grown from one 18-acre parcel to over 800 acres of public parks, trails, facilities, and natural area lands.

As you explore these spaces and all they have to offer for you, your friends, and families, remember ...

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From the staff of Lynchburg Parks & Recreation



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for more information on trails, maps, and park directions.

Parks

PARKS

NAME	ADDRESS	ACREAGE	ATHLETIC FIELDS	BASKETBALL	CANOE RAMP	CONCESSIONS	DISC GOLF	FISHING	GRILLS	HORSESHOE COURTS	MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS	PARKING	PICNIC SHELTER	PICNIC AREA	PLAYGROUND	RESTROOMS	SWIMMING POOL	TENNIS COURTS	TRAILS
COMMUNITY PARKS																			
Blackwater Creek Athletic Area	515 Monticello Avenue	19.5	•					•	•			•	•	•		•			•
Hollins Mill Park	1711 Hollins Mill Road	3						•	•			•		•					•
Ivy Creek Park	225 Jefferson Ridge Parkway	29						•	•			•	•		•	•			•
James River Canoe Ramp	20 Adams Street				•							•							
Miller Park	Park Ave. & Fort Avenue	37	•	•		•			•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•		•
Peaks View Park	170 Ivy Creek Drive	250	•	•		•	•		•		•	•	•	•	•	•			•
Riverfront Park	1000 Jefferson Street	2										•							•
Riverside Park	2238 Rivermont Avenue	47		•					•			•	•	•	•	•			•
NATURAL AREA																			
Blackwater Creek Natural Area	515 Monticello Avenue	297						•			•	•		•		•			•
Percival's Island Natural Area	1600 Concord Turnpike	56						•			•	•		•					•
NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS																			
Aubrey Barbour Park	109 Jackson Street	.5		•					•			•	•		•				
Biggers Neighborhood Park	501 5th Street	.5		•					•					•	•				
College Park	3200 College Drive	5		•					•					•					
Fort Ave. Neighborhood Park	4801 Fort Avenue	.5		•					•					•	•				
Heritage Park	531 Leesville Road	59									•	•						•	•
Jefferson Park	315 Chambers Street	23	•	•					•	•		•	•	•	•			•	
Sandusky Park	5805 Rhonda Road	17	•									•		•					
Valleyview Playlot	1417 4th Street	.25							•					•	•				
Westover Neighborhood Park	3117 Memorial Avenue	.25		•					•					•	•				
Younger Park	2338 Light Street	5		•					•			•		•	•				

- Visit your park only during posted hours
- Alcoholic beverages and other controlled substances are prohibited
- Motorized vehicles are prohibited except in parking areas and designated roadways
- No littering or glass containers allowed
- Keep your pet on a leash

PARK RULES



- The amplification of music, speeches, or any other sound audible beyond 25' is prohibited except upon written permission from the Director of Parks and Recreation
- No one shall leave a motor vehicle in City parks after posted hours of operation
- The collection, destruction, and/or removal of plants, animals, minerals or historical/cultural items are strictly forbidden.

Community Parks

BLACKWATER CREEK ATHLETIC AREA

This 19-acre park offers an athletic field, picnic shelters, tables, grills, fishing, a trail connection to the Blackwater Creek Natural Area, and restrooms.

HOLLINS MILL PARK

It is hard to imagine a prettier spot for a picnic than Hollins Mill Park. This three-acre site provides large shade trees, a lush open field and wonderful views of Blackwater Creek and historic Hollins Mill dam in the background. Picnic area and grills are handicapped accessible, and stream-side fishing is available.

The park includes trail connections to both the Blackwater Creek Bikeway (going east) and the Point of Honor Trail (going west).



JAMES RIVER CANOE RAMP

The ramp provides boating access to the James River from Lynchburg and is a great way to take a short paddle upriver for fishing and recreation, as well as a launching place for longer downriver trips.

The canoe ramp is located at the end of 7th Street after crossing Commerce Street. Visitors should proceed across the railroad tracks and look for the large sign posted at the top of the ramp. Please remember that the ramp is only for car-top carried boats; no trailers are allowed. There are 11 parking spaces allocated for vehicles, and the facility is open from dawn to dusk.

MILLER PARK

In 1862 Samuel Miller donated 18 acres of land to the City of Lynchburg to be held "...in trust as, and for a public Promenade and Pleasure Ground for the use of the citizens of Lynchburg, and Strangers, and visitors temporarily sojourning there." Those original 18 acres became City Park (renamed Miller Park), the first public park in Lynchburg.

The park now has 37 acres and includes two picnic shelters that can be rented, as well as the historic Aviary, which can be used for weddings, parties, and other events. Miller Park pool is the only public outdoor pool in Lynchburg, and can be rented for special occasions.

Miller Park also has a walking path, baseball fields, basketball court, horse-shoe pits, and playgrounds. Historic sites in the park include the Centennial Oak, the Fireman's Fountain, the Bicentennial grove of native trees, and a monument to the 5th Virginia Cavalry, which was mustered and disbanded on the site.

PEAKS VIEW PARK

At 250 acres, Peaks View Park is the second largest park in Lynchburg, and boasts athletic fields, lighted tennis courts, hiking trails, and a disc golf course.

The Bill Foot Recreation Area, named in memory of local trails advocate Bill Foot, is also found near the Ardmore Drive entrance to the park. The recreation area contains extensive mountain bike trails, ranging from easy to difficult, as well as a portion of the paved, multi-use Ivy Creek Greenway, which runs through Peaks View Park and follows the meandering path of Ivy Creek.

There is also a small nature trail and pond at Peaks View located near the disc golf course. Green space surrounds the picnic shelters and play areas, and ample parking and restrooms are available for visitors.

RIVERFRONT PARK

Riverfront Park is located near the river in downtown Lynchburg, and includes a large open field suitable for festivals and other special events. The park connects to the RiverWalk trail along its northern edge. RiverWalk leads to Percival's Island, and parking is available on nearby streets. The flat, level ground near the river is ideal for an easy stroll or bike ride.

Recent renovations include several boardwalks, benches, new shade trees, a rain garden, and a stage area for events. A new water feature is located near the stage area for young and old to enjoy!

RIVERSIDE PARK

Riverside Park has 47 acres of rolling parkland with lovely stands of trees and walking trails that provide views of the wooded hillsides and the river beyond. The park has wonderful views of the James River from the Overlook and along the Alpine Trail, the first dedicated hiking trail in Lynchburg.

Active recreation opportunities include tennis and basketball, with extensive playground equipment for younger children located in the front of the park. The latest addition to the park is the sprayground, open seasonally.

The transportation exhibit in the park includes a train locomotive, tender, and caboose, the Fink Deck Truss Bridge, which is a national engineering landmark, and the hull of the packet boat, Marshall.

The tennis courts are named in honor of the local tennis patron, Dr. Walter Johnson, who provided summer tennis camps for African-American children, including Arthur Ashe and Althea Gibson. Two picnic shelters and a gazebo can be rented for picnics, birthday parties or family reunions.

Natural Areas

BLACKWATER CREEK NATURAL AREA

The Blackwater Creek Natural Area (BCNA) is a 295-acre linear greenway that follows the winding route of Blackwater Creek, incorporating wooded hillsides and stream valleys throughout its length. Extensive trails — both paved and earthen — allow hikers, bikers, and runners access to most of the natural area, as well as connecting busy neighborhoods,



schools, and parks to the peace and solitude of the BCNA.

Many varieties of plants and animals thrive in the BCNA. Tree species found in the natural area include sycamore, spice bush, paw-paw, walnut, oak, pine, hickory, and tulip poplar. The abundant flora provides food and habitat to support the deer, wild turkeys, opossums, raccoons, foxes, snakes, and rodents. An abundance of bird species, including cardinals, doves, sparrows, finches, blue jays, owls, hawks, wrens, flickers, herons and pileated woodpeckers can be found.

The Ruskin Freer Nature Preserve is a 115-acre preserve located near the center of the natural area. Named in honor of an outstanding biology teacher, the preserve has an interpretive loop trail that includes plant identification signs, as well as information about plant growth and succession.

PERCIVAL'S ISLAND NATURAL AREA

This unique portion of the James River Heritage Trail System provides access to Percival's Island, a familiar landmark in downtown Lynchburg. Visitors may see herons, migrating waterfowl and many native plants and animals as they follow the paved trail. The flat, handicapped accessible, paved trail is popular with hikers, bikers, and runners all year long. The James River is the backdrop for any visit to the island, featuring views of both calm pools and rushing waters.

Visitors from downtown enter the natural area at Concord Turnpike and Jefferson Street, and stroll along the gentle grade of the old railroad bed that traverses the length of the island. From Amherst County, visitors enter at the terminus of Fertilizer Road, just past the Central Virginia Training Center.

The Blackwater Creek Natural Area and Percival's Island are both part of the Virginia State Birding and Wildlife Trail (Peaks of Otter Loop, Mountain Area).

Neighborhood Parks

Neighborhood parks are a special part of Lynchburg's park system. When a child asks, "Can we go to the park?", chances are they end up in a neighborhood park. These parks are used every day by neighborhood residents for picnics, basketball games, an afternoon playground visit, or evening stroll. Check out our list below and then visit a park near you.



AUBREY BARBOUR PARK

basketball court, grills, parking, pavilion, picnic area, playground

BIGGERS NEIGHBORHOOD PARK

basketball court, grills, picnic area, playground

COLLEGE PARK

basketball court, grills, picnic area

FORT AVENUE NEIGHBORHOOD PARK

basketball court, grills, picnic area, playground

HERITAGE PARK

hiking and mountain bike trails

JEFFERSON PARK

athletic fields, basketball court, green space, grills, horseshoe pits, parking, picnic shelter, picnic area, playground, tennis courts, access to trails

SANDUSKY PARK

athletic fields, green space, parking, picnic area, trails

VALLEYVIEW PLAYLOT

grills, picnic area, playground

WESTOVER PARK

basketball court, grills, picnic area, playground

YOUNGER PARK

basketball court, green space, grills, parking, picnic area, playground



SPECIAL EVENTS

Lynchburg is a great place to enjoy many diverse cultural and civic events. Each year dozens of large-scale events are conducted on City streets, public property, parks and public facilities. The City of Lynchburg grants permits for special events held on City property. All of the necessary forms are found at www.lynchburgva.gov/parksandrec under Special Events.

For additional information, contact the Special Events Coordinator at (434) 455-5871.



IVY CREEK PARK

Ivy Creek Park is located in the Lynchpin Industrial Park, which houses nine major businesses with over 1,400 employees. When completed, Ivy Creek Park will include a six-acre lake, multi-use trails, outdoor sensory/education gardens, picnic and play areas, as well as The Nature Zone environmental education center.

Phase I/Phase II

Ivy Creek Park is being developed in two phases. Phase I components include a park entrance road, parking area, trails, cabin renovation, playground, shelter, canoe landing, discovery pier, and boardwalk. Phase I was completed in 2011.

Phase II improvements include an environmental education center, permanent restrooms, improved trails, and environmentally sustainable parking lot improvements. Phase II is currently not funded.

The grounds of Ivy Creek incorporate “green” principles in the design. Aggregate paving in the parking lot helps reduce stormwater runoff. Landscaping will include native plants and trees selected to attract wildlife and provide food and shelter as part of a healthy, interconnected community of native habitats.



Trails

The primary lake trailhead winds downhill from the parking area, towards the lake, past the sensory gardens, picnic areas and play area. This portion of the trail will be ADA compliant, as will the gardens, picnic areas, and play area. A circuit trail continues along the eastern edge of the lake, providing those with limited mobility access to a fishing pier and fishing stations located along the shore. The paved trail ends at a boardwalk which crosses a small wetland area. From there, the remainder of the trail is a simple earthen surface, cut into the steep hillside above the lake, and designed to minimize impact on the heavily vegetated terrain. After crossing the earthen embankment near the canoe access and discovery pier, the trail rejoins itself, completing the loop.

LYNCHBURG DOG PARK

In late 2007, Lynchburg Parks and Recreation Department created a committee to review a proposed off-leash dog area in a section of the Blackwater Creek Athletic Area (BCAA). After several months, the committee recommended that a section of the BCAA be developed as an off-leash



dog park and the project was approved by Lynchburg City Council in October 2008. The dog park will be built in three phases with each phase having

more features and amenities. The Friends of the Lynchburg Dog Park, Inc. (FLDP) are raising the initial \$30,000 needed to open the dog park through donations and fundraisers. There are opportunities for individual and corporate donations. No city taxpayer dollars will be used for the construction of the park

The dog park will be monitored by volunteers for the first six-month period to help get people acquainted to dog park rules and etiquette. The dog park will have a “large dog” area and a “small dog” area for dogs under 30 lbs. Both areas will be fenced in with double-gated entrances, and park rules clearly posted.

For more information on the FLDP, contact (434) 384-1972 or lynchburgdogpark@gmail.com. Visit the website at www.lynchburgdogpark.com.

Trails

Lynchburg's Trails

NAME OF TRAIL	LOCATION	TREADWAY TYPE					TREADWAY TYPE			DATA			OTHER A SECTION OF THE JAMES RIVER HERITAGE TRAIL
		EXERCISE TRAIL	HIKING/BIKING TRAIL	HIKING TRAIL ONLY	INTERPRETIVE TRAIL	MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL	EARTHEN	AGGREGATE	ASPHALT	DISTANCE IN MILES	DIFFICULTY	ADA ACCESSIBILITY	
Alpine Trail	Riverside Park			•			•			1.1	M		
Beaver Trail	BCNA		•				•			1.8	M		
Bill Foot Recreation Area Mt. Bike Trails	Peaks View Park					•	•			9.0	A		
Blackwater Creek Bikeway	BCNA		•					•		3.0	E	•	•
Creekside Trail	BCNA		•				•	•		5.1	M		
Heritage Park Mountain Bike Trails	Heritage Park					•	•			1.5	M		
Miller Park Loop Trails	Miller Park		•					•		1.2	E		
Ivy Creek Greenway	Peaks View Park	•	•					•		1.75	E	•	•
Ivy Creek Nature Trail	Peaks View Park			•			•			0.5	E		
Kemper Station Trail	BCNA		•					•		1.1	E	•	•
Peaks View Park Loop Trails	Peaks View Park	•	•					•		1.4	E		
Percival's Island Trails	Percival's Island		•				•			0.6	E		•
Point of Honor Trail	BCNA		•					•		1.75	E		•
Riverside Park Loop Trail	Riverside Park		•					•		1.1	M		
RiverWalk	Riverfront		•					•		3.75	M		•
Ruskin Freer Interpretive Trail	BCNA			•	•					1.7	M		
Sandusky Park Access Trail	Sandusky Park		•					•		0.2	E		

BCNA = Blackwater Creek Natural Area E = Easy M = Moderate A = Advanced

COMMON SENSE TRAIL SAFETY TIPS

- 🚲 Dress for the weather
- 🚲 Let friends know where you are going ...or bring someone along!
- 🚲 Carry a cellular phone
- 🚲 Plan your route and allow plenty of time to complete your activity
- 🚲 Pace yourself
- 🚲 Make sure your bike is in good working order
- 🚲 Be aware of your surroundings, including safety markers, trail names, and access points
- 🚲 Leave valuables at home and not in your vehicle
- 🚲 Report suspicious behavior or vandalism to the police

TRAIL ETIQUETTE

- 🚲 Observe trail rules and signs
- 🚲 Keep on the right, pass on the left, and yield to faster moving users
- 🚲 Bikes yield to pedestrians
- 🚲 Signal slower moving trail users when approaching
- 🚲 Wear a helmet when cycling or in-line skating
- 🚲 Use caution where trail narrows and at high-use access points
- 🚲 Bicyclists should stay on designated trail, two riders abreast maximum (single file if pedestrians are present)
- 🚲 Wheel skiers/in-line skaters should not use sharp-tipped poles
- 🚲 Skateboarders should stay on paved trail, no jumps or demonstration-type skateboarding
- 🚲 Do not harm or remove any plant or wildlife

Trails

Lynchburg boasts an extensive trails system (James River Heritage Trail) that connects midtown to the Blackwater Creek Bikeway and the Point of Honor Trail via the Kemper Station Trail. Many of our trails run through the Blackwater Creek Natural Area (BCNA), a linear greenway which has 295 acres of forested terrain right in the heart of Lynchburg.

It's easy to access the trails in Lynchburg. We have both small neighborhood and larger public trail entrances that offer parking and other amenities. Trailheads to the Blackwater Creek Bikeway and the Point of Honor Trail that have public parking are

found at the Ed Page entrance, the East Randolph Place entrance, and the Hollins Mill entrance. Year-round restrooms are found at the Ed Page entrance. Visitors to the Blackwater Creek Athletic Area can enter the BCNA at the Creekside trailhead.

Many of our parks have trails that run through them; Peaks View Park has extensive mountain bike trails as well as the fully accessible Ivy Creek Greenway. If magnificent views of the James River appeal to you, head over to the Alpine Trail in Riverside Park or visit Percival's Island. Check out Jefferson Park and the Blackwater Creek Athletic Area to start a hike on the Creekside Trail.



Trails system guides and maps are available at many entrance points on the trail and at the Miller Center, 301 Grove Street, or the Kemper Street Station Parks and Recreation offices. You can also view

the guides online at lynchburgva.gov/parksandrec. Stop by today, explore Lynchburg's trails, and remember....

Trails are great places to share!

THE Nature Zone



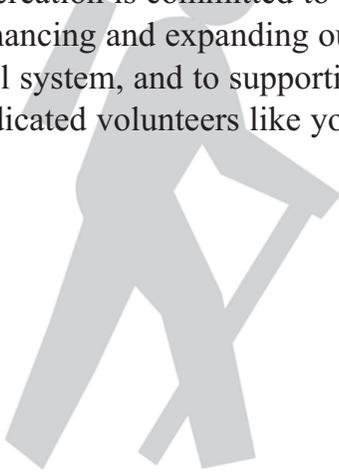
825 Kemper Street, Lynchburg VA 24501
(434) 455-5828

The Nature Zone is located in the Kemper Street Train Station on the ground floor. The Nature Zone is designed to be hands-on for everyone, from toddlers to teens, so bring the whole family. We've got live animals (snakes, toads, flying squirrels, turtles, and an iguana) for you to visit. We also have a large collection of animal skulls and bones, snake skins, animal pelts, stuffed animals, an insect collection and lots of books and pamphlets with information about the natural world around us. Staff members are on hand to answer questions and introduce you to our facility. We allow some of our animals to be touched, so if you want to get up-close and personal with a different sort of creature, the Nature Zone is your place. Children fifteen (15) and under should be accompanied by an adult.

DATES OPEN	DAY	TIMES
6/1-9/31	Wednesdays	3:00 - 9:00 pm
10/1-5/31	Wednesdays	3:00 pm - dusk
Year-Round	Fridays	Noon - 6:00 pm
Year-Round	Saturdays	10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Adopt-A-Trail

Do you care about the quality of Lynchburg's hiking and biking trails? You can help nurture these treasured resources and keep them healthy for generations to come. When we care for our natural resources, we ensure that future generations can share in a healthy environment. Lynchburg Parks and Recreation is committed to enhancing and expanding our trail system, and to supporting dedicated volunteers like you.



WHAT YOU CAN DO

Whether you're a group or an individual, adopting a section of trail is easy and fun! When you spend a few hours a day two or more times a year cleaning up the trail, you'll not only actively improve your environment for people and wildlife, but also gain valuable learning experiences about the natural world that we share. The training, instruction and equipment you'll need for this exciting and rewarding program is provided.

HOW TO GET STARTED

Lynchburg Parks and Recreation can help your group through the Adopt-A-Trail program from start to finish.

For a complete information and registration package, call Parks and Recreation today at (434) 455-5858.

ADOPT-A-TRAIL PARTICIPATION

- Groups agree to collect litter along their section of trail at least two times per year.
- Additional trail work, such as mowing, tree and shrub pruning, and special projects, is available.
- Adoptions are one year long. After one year, groups may renew for an additional year (designations and agreements may be modified and/or changed upon renewal).
- We suggest that groups adopt a section of trail at least one-half mile in length.
- Lynchburg Parks and Recreation will supply the group with all of the necessary equipment, tools and training.

See you on the trails!

Facilities		INDOOR			OUTDOOR							
		GYMNASIUM	KITCHEN	POOL TABLE	BALL FIELD	BASKETBALL COURT	GRILL	PLAY EQUIPMENT	PARKING	PICNIC AREA	TENNIS COURT	MAXIMUM OCCUPANCY
NAME OF FACILITY	ADDRESS											
Aviary	Miller Park		•						•			380
City Armory	1219 Main Street	•							•			1,940
College Hill Center	811 Jackson Street		•	•		•	•	•		•		108
Daniel's Hill Center	314 Cabell Street		•	•		•	•	•	•	•		163
Diamond Hill Center	1005 17th Street		•	•		•	•	•	•	•		175
Fairview Center	3621 Campbell Avenue		•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	163
Jefferson Park Center	405 York Street		•	•		•		•	•	•	•	136
Miller Center	301 Grove Street		•	•					•	•		115
Yoder Center	109 Jackson Street		•	•		•		•	•	•		110

Facilities

The City of Lynchburg is fortunate to have a wide array of facilities that are used by the community. Along with the scheduled, programmed use of our facilities, many are available for rent for a special occasion on a first-come, first-served basis to the community. Our facilities are popular and space fills quickly, so be sure to check with our staff concerning availability.

ARMORY

Directly over the City Market is the City Armory. The total seating capacity is 1,940 people. The Armory is equipped with basketball goals and bleachers, and is handicapped accessible. The gymnasium can also serve as a large exhibit hall and can accommodate 100 exhibitors.

For more information on leasing the Armory, call (434) 455-5875.

ATHLETIC FIELDS

The Parks and Recreation Department has a wide variety of athletic fields that can be used by the community. Some fields can be rented by individuals, families, civic, school or community groups while others are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

For pricing and more information on athletic field reservations, call the Athletics Coordinator at (434) 455-5882.

AVIARY

This historic building, located in Miller Park, is the perfect location for weddings, receptions, luncheons, club or business meetings and other special occasions. The Aviary can seat as many as 100 people with an overall capacity of 380. A Facility Use Form must be approved and rental fees paid in full at least five business days prior to the rental date to guarantee your reservation.

For more information and a brochure of Aviary rental policies, call (434) 455-5858.

CITY STADIUM

The Lynchburg City Stadium, located at 3180 Fort Avenue in the Fort Avenue neighborhood, is a great venue for businesses, sports teams and event planners looking for a centrally located, large space. With lots of parking and attractive facilities, the Lynchburg City Stadium has two sections — the baseball and football complexes.

The Baseball Complex is a great place for large company picnics and other events. The covered concourse area provides seating, shade and restroom facilities, as well as ample space for tables and organized entertainment. Use of the Calvin Falwell Baseball Field is limited.

The Football Complex includes a natural turf grass field, press box, scoreboard, and a gravel track. Bleachers can seat up to 10,000. Use of the athletic field is limited to use by Lynchburg City Schools and a small number of other permitted activities.

For more information on renting the City Stadium Complex, call (434) 455-5875.

COMMUNITY MARKET

The Lynchburg Community Market is located in the heart of downtown Lynchburg at 12th and Main Streets. The Market offers the best of local produce, crafts, baked goods, and unique, family-friendly eateries. Green Market Wednesdays feature only products that vendors grow, make, or bake themselves.

The Market is open Tuesday through Saturday from 7 am to 2 pm.

The Community Market Plaza may be leased for large special events which can take place outside the Market. Electrical hook-ups can accommodate two stages and one small stage area. The Plaza fountain area has electrical service, a staging area and a mini-amphitheater which seats 200-300 people.

For information, call (434) 455-5871.



NEIGHBORHOOD CENTERS

Neighborhood centers make great places to hold birthday parties, baby showers and most special occasions. Depending on your choice of seven available centers, our centers can accommodate gatherings from 80 to 175 people. A Facility Use Form must be approved and rental fees paid in full at least five business days prior to the rental date to guarantee your reservation.

For more information on center rental and policies, call (434) 455-5858.

Facilities



MILLER PARK POOL

Miller Park Pool, located along Park Avenue, is open during the months of June, July, and August.

During the summer, pool hours are noon-6:00 pm, Monday-Saturday, and 1:00-5:00 pm on Sunday. Individual daily and seasonal passes, as well as family passes, are available.

Miller Park Pool can be rented during non-operating hours (June through mid-August). The pool is a wonderful place for large picnics, birthday parties, business celebrations or retreats and gatherings of any kind.

Information about the pool, including swimming lessons, rentals, and costs, is available on our website or by calling (434) 455-5858.

PICNIC SHELTERS

Nine picnic shelters located within City parks are available for use on a first-come, first-served basis unless reserved in advance. Peak use of shelters occurs during spring and summer, especially on weekends and holidays, so reserve early. Shelters may be reserved 4/1 through 10/31.

The seating capacity for small shelters is 40 and large shelters is 80. All shelters have grills for cooking. Large shelters are located in Blackwater Creek Athletic Area, Jefferson Park, Miller Park, and Peaks View Park. Small shelters are located in Miller Park, Peaks View Park, and Riverside Park. Refunds are not given for inclement weather.

A Facility Use Form must be approved and rental fees paid in full at least three business days prior to the rental date to guarantee your reservation. Reservations cannot be completed by telephone.

For more information on shelters and rental policies, call (434) 455-5858.

Riverside Park Sprayground

Enjoy Lynchburg's newest recreational amenity located within Riverside Park. The sprayground is the first of its kind in Lynchburg, and is appropriate for kids of all ages. The 1,900 sq. ft. sprayground was developed as part of the master plan for the renovation of Riverside Park. The Junior League of Lynchburg donated \$125,000 to help build the sprayground in partnership with the City of Lynchburg.

The sprayground offers an array of water play activities to "beat the summer heat." The water play components include dumping buckets, spraying lake fish, pop jets,



and tulip sprays. The sprayground meets ADA accessibility guidelines and has a zero depth entry on a concrete surface. Since the facility uses recirculated, chemically treated water, it is also *Green and Clean!*

Children ages 12 and under must be accompanied and supervised by a parent/guardian. Groups of over 25 individuals are discouraged from attending this facility. Rules and regulations are posted onsite. The sprayground is open from 11 am to 7 pm from Memorial Day to October 1.

For more information, contact Lynchburg Parks and Recreation at (434) 455-5858, or check our website at www.lynchburgva.gov/parksandrec.



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