

MARBLEHEAD RECREATION & PARKS

Maintaining Public Spaces and Providing Programs for the Marblehead Community

The Recreation & Parks Department manages and maintains the Town's parks, athletic fields, beaches, facilities, and recreation programs, serving schools, youth athletics, families, children, adults, seniors, and community events. The department handles parks & facilities maintenance, year-round recreation programming, and community use permitting for all Town fields, parks, and beaches.

WHO WE ARE

- Manages and maintains Town parks, athletic fields, beaches, facilities, and recreation programs
- Serves schools and youth athletics
- Supports families, children, adults, and seniors
- Coordinates community events and public spaces

WHAT WE DO

- Parks & Facilities:** Maintains parks, playgrounds, beaches, buildings, comfort stations, and athletic fields; supports capital projects and facility improvements.
- Recreation Programming:** Year-round programs for all ages; seasonal events, community activities, and safe structured programming for children and families.
- Community Use & Permitting:** Manages permits for parks, fields, beaches, and facilities; coordinates use for schools, sports organizations, and community groups.

DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW

- Supports school, youth, and adult athletic programs through field and facility maintenance
- Maintains public parks, playgrounds, and beaches for Marblehead residents
- Provides recreation programming for children, families, adults, and seniors
- Manages permitting and scheduling for schools, sports organizations, and community groups

OVERRIDE QUESTION: BUDGET SCENARIOS

IF OVERRIDE PASSES: TIER OPTIONS

Tier 1

- Adds one Park Maintenance Groundskeeper position
- Funds baseline maintenance operations

Note: Public trash pickup is not included at this tier.

Tier 2

- Increases budget for materials, maintenance, and utilities
- Funds ongoing operations at current service levels

Note: Public trash pickup is not included at this tier.

Tier 3

- Adds funding for capital equipment
- Public trash pickup service resumes

IF NO OVERRIDE: FY27 BUDGET

Staffing

- Groundskeeper position is not filled
- Department remains at current staffing level

Maintenance

- Maintenance of parks, fields, buildings, and beaches continues at current capacity
- Seasonal cleanup and landscaping at existing resource levels

Programming

- Recreation programming continues within existing staff capacity

Public Trash Pickup

- Public trash pickup service is not reinstated

Budget

- Materials, maintenance, and utilities funded at FY27 levels
- No capital equipment funding added