



MEMORANDUM

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TO: Montgomery County Planning Board

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RE: Montgomery Parks Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Fee Schedule

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Approve fees as proposed for Montgomery Parks facilities and programs.

BACKGROUND

In accordance with the Department’s Policy on User Fees, the Enterprise Division, which manages ice rinks, tennis centers, event centers, and seasonal park amenity facilities, the Horticulture, Forestry, and Environmental Education (HFEE) Division, which is responsible for public gardens, nature centers, park activation programming and community garden plots, and the Park Planning and Stewardship Division (PPSD) which is responsible for public museums present user fee recommendations to the Planning Board on an annual or as needed basis.

Regular and timely fee adjustments are necessary to keep our fees competitive with comparable public and private self-supporting facilities or programs and/or to respond to market influences that affect pricing and user demand. Prior to developing the proposed user fee schedules for facilities or programs, staff conduct surveys of other local jurisdictions' user fees for similar facilities. This information, together with input from department staff, attendance information, and use patterns for each facility, is used to draft the recommended schedule of fees.

The Enterprise Division’s facilities are mandated by the County Council to be completely self-supporting, including facility operating costs, capital improvements and debt service for new facilities. To cover its costs while providing affordable programs and amenities for all residents, the Enterprise Division provides a 50% fee reduction for general admission fees, group lessons, and programs for low-income residents. In addition, the Division continually monitors facility usage and uses advertised “specials” or discounts to increase participation, thus increasing revenues.

Consistent with the Department's user fee policy, user fees for self-supporting Enterprise facilities, services, and programs are established at a level which (1) is competitive with comparable public and private facilities and services in the area; (2) can reasonably be expected to generate sufficient revenue to sustain administrative,

operating and maintenance costs; (3) may generate surplus operating income to fund capital improvements at existing and developing facilities; and (4) reflects user demand and patterns of use.

For FY25 and FY26, the Enterprise Division's budget reflects an increase in overall personnel costs (career and seasonal wages and benefits), supplies and materials, equipment upgrades, maintenance, etc. In FY26, the overall increase in expenditures from the FY25 adopted budget will reduce the Enterprise net income by over \$1 million.

Similarly, the Horticulture, Forestry and Environmental Education Division's budget reflects an increase in overall personnel costs, supplies and materials, equipment upgrades and maintenance costs. Brookside Garden's request for fee increases is for Enterprise operations only. Like the Enterprise Division, Brookside's rental program, Garden of Lights and Wings of Fancy are all required to be 100% self-supporting. Of note, HFEE Division classes, camps and programs offered are also available at a 50% fee reduction for residents that qualify for reduced rates.

The Park Planning and Stewardship Division also faces an increase in budget costs for FY25 and FY26 and requests fee increases to offset the increases in personnel, operational, and maintenance costs for Museums, which include several historic structures.

The FY25 and FY26 fee increases include rates for the Event Centers, Ice Rinks, Little Bennett Campground, South Germantown Driving Range, South Germantown Splash Park, Tennis Centers, Miniature Trains and Carousel, Brookside Gardens Enterprise Functions, Community Gardens, Parks Activation and Museums. The additional revenue will be used to cover the increased FY25 and FY26 personnel costs and other operational expenses. There will be continual monitoring and review of revenues and expenditures to maintain a net profit for the Enterprise Division and Special Revenue Funds.

Because of this known increased cost to the divisions, as well as the conclusions drawn from our review of current fees, the request to increase fees is as follows:

Enterprise Division Facilities:

Event Centers

Rockwood Manor

11001 MacArthur Blvd.
Potomac, Md 20854

Rockwood Manor includes a wooded park full of cedar and oak trees, a manor house perfect for ceremonies and business meetings and multiple cabins for overnight stays and retreats located in Potomac, MD. The manor house features a wooded patio, veranda, ballroom, veranda and banquet hall and can accommodate up to 120 guests. The camp lodging and cabins can accommodate up to 85 people overnight. The facilities are utilized for meeting space, educational offerings, social events, community activities and overnight accommodations.

SOCIAL PACKAGE (8 CONSECUTIVE HOURS BETWEEN 8:00AM-12:00AM), OFF-SEASON (NOV-MAR)

Description	Current Fees		Effective Date	Proposed Fee	
	Bi-Co-Resident	Non-Bi-Co		Bi-Co-Resident	Non-Bi-Co
Fridays / Sundays	\$1,785.00	\$2,140.00	April 1, 2025	\$2,185.00	\$2,540.00
Saturdays	\$2,380.00	\$2,855.00	April 1, 2025	\$2,880.00	\$3,355.00

Additional Revenue: FY26- \$25,000

Effective Date of New Fee: April 1, 2025

Justification for Increase: Offsetting increased personnel and operational costs (career and seasonal wages and benefits), supplies and materials, equipment upgrades and repairs.

Retreats:

Description	Current Fees		Effective Date	Proposed Fee	
	Bi-Co-Resident	Non-Bi-Co		Bi-Co-Resident	Non-Bi-Co
Retreat Package – 3 days, 2 nights, weekends	\$7,240.00	\$8,690.00	April 1, 2025	\$8,240	\$9,690
Retreat Package – 4 days, 3 nights, weekends	\$8,275.00	\$9,930.00	April 1, 2025	\$9,275	\$10,930
Retreat Package – 5 days, 4 nights, weekends	\$9,310.00	\$11,170.00	April 1, 2025	\$10,310	\$12,170

Additional Revenue: FY26- \$39,000

Effective Date of New Fee: April 1, 2025

Justification for Increase: Offsetting increased personnel and operational costs (career and seasonal wages and benefits), supplies and materials, equipment upgrades and repairs.

Lodge at Little Seneca

14500-A Clopper Road
Boys, MD 20841

The Lodge at Little Seneca Creek is a rustic 2,300 sq ft Log Cabin with cathedral ceilings and a stone fireplace located in Boyds, MD. The venue is open year-round and offers two outdoor ceremony sites and indoor recreation space. The Lodge can accommodate up to 120 guests for ceremonies year-round. The Lodge is open daily for reservations for social events such as Weddings, Quinceañeras, Bar/Bat Mitzvahs, Christenings, Confirmations, Birthdays, Memorials, Proms, Banquets, Anniversaries, Business Meetings and more.

SOCIAL PACKAGE (8 CONSECUTIVE HOURS BETWEEN 8:00AM-12:00AM), OFF-SEASON (NOV-MAR)

Description	Current Fees		Effective Date	Proposed Fee	
	Bi-Co-Resident	Non-Bi-Co		Bi-Co-Resident	Non-Bi-Co
Fridays / Sundays	\$1,480.00	\$1,780.00	April 1, 2025	\$1,655.00	\$1,955.00
Saturdays	\$1,810.00	\$2,175.00	April 1, 2025	\$2,250.00	\$2,750.00

Additional Revenue: FY26- \$15,800

Effective Date of New Fee: April 1, 2025

Justification for Increase: Offsetting increased personnel and operational costs (career and seasonal wages and benefits), supplies and materials, equipment upgrades and repairs.

Ice Rinks

Cabin John Ice Rink
 10610 Westlake Drive
 Rockville, MD 20852

Wheaton Ice Arena
 11717 Orebaugh Avenue
 Wheaton, MD 20902

The Division operates two indoor ice rink facilities seven days a week, year-round. At Cabin John, there is one NHL ice surface, one Olympic size ice surface, and one studio sheet. Wheaton Ice Arena has one NHL ice surface. Both facilities feature hockey and figure skating sessions and camps, programs, group and private lessons, general and special public sessions, therapeutic skating, and special events. The Ice Rinks also offer figure and hockey skate rentals, leased ice rentals, birthday parties, meetings, snack bars, pro shops and off-ice conditioning space for training. The ice rinks serve patrons in Montgomery County and area jurisdictions.

Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee
Leased time, NHL/Olympic	\$375/hour	April 1,2025	\$390/hour
Studio Rink **,	\$215/hour	April 1, 2025	\$225/hour
Admissions (Child/Regular//Weekends/Holidays)	\$8.00	April 1, 2025	\$9.00
Group Lesson Fee	\$19.00/30 minute class	April 1, 2025	\$20.00/30 minute class
Discount ticket book (10 tickets for the price of 9)	\$72.00	April 1, 2025	\$81.00
Freestyle Admission (Adv, Specialty Skating)	\$8.50/30 mins.	April 1, 2025	\$9.00/30 mins
Dance Studio	\$40/hour	April 1, 2025	\$50/hour
Party Room	\$75/hour	April 1, 2025	\$90/hour

****Cabin John Ice Rink Only**

Additional Revenue: FY25 - \$38,850 FY26- \$215,500

Effective Date of New Fee: April 1, 2025

Justification for Increase: Offsetting increased personnel costs (career and seasonal wages and benefits), supplies & materials, equipment upgrades and repairs. Offset costs of capital outlay such as new security camera system and rubber flooring, in addition, to the Capital Improvement Projects (Wheaton Ice Refrigeration system upgrade to an Ammonia system and the Cabin John Olympic Ice Rink Refrigeration system upgrade to an Ammonia system).

Little Bennett Campground

23705 Frederick Road
Clarksburg, MD 20871

Little Bennett Campground includes miles of hiking and biking trails throughout 3,700 acres of forest and meadows. With more than 25 miles of trails to explore, 91 wooded campsites, 3 canvas tent sites, 3 cabins, 3 yurts, and a variety of weekend activities available in season for all age groups and interests. Each of Little Bennett’s 91 campsites offers a tranquil setting with ample opportunities to enjoy the scenic splendor of the park and include amenities such as a two-vehicle gravel parking area, picnic table, campfire ring, and lantern post. Each of the 63 tent sites have a tent pad and 22 sites are available with full hook-ups (water/electric/sewer). Bathhouses with sinks, showers, toilet facilities and drinking fountains are within walking distance of each site and water spigots are randomly located throughout each camping loop. Little Bennett Campground serves patrons in Montgomery County and area jurisdictions.

Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee	
			Weekday	Weekend
Tent Camp Site Resident	\$35.00/night	April 1, 2025	\$40/night	\$45/night
Tent Site Non-Resident	\$40.00	April 1, 2025	\$45	\$50
RV Campsite Resident	\$64.00	April 1, 2025	\$70	\$75
RV Campsite Non-Resident	\$75.00	April 1, 2025	\$80	\$85
4-Person Cabin Resident	\$125.00	April 1, 2025	\$130	\$135
4-Person Cabin Non-Resident	\$150.00	April 1, 2025	\$155	\$160
6-Person Cabin Resident	\$155.00	April 1, 2025	\$160	\$165
6-Person Cabin Non-Resident	\$185.00	April 1, 2025	\$190	\$195
Yurt Resident	\$95.00	April 1, 2025	\$100	\$105
Yurt Non-Resident	\$110.00	April 1, 2025	\$115	\$120

Additional Revenue: FY25- \$53,200 FY26- \$81,000

Effective Date of New Fee: April 1, 2025

Justification for Increase: Offset increased personnel costs (career and seasonal wages and benefits), operating costs such as supplies and materials, equipment and amenity upgrades and repairs. The campground is used mainly on weekends, but the nightly rate is currently the same for both weeknights and weekends. The campground amenities and activities are closed on weeknights justifying the difference in pricing Friday and Saturday nights compared to Sunday through Thursday.

South Germantown Driving Range

18045 Central Park Circle
 Boyds, MD 20841

The South Germantown Driving Range features 40 tees (10 are covered) and putting greens. A full complement of group and private lessons and summer camps are available for individuals and groups of all ages and abilities. The driving range also offers archery lessons. South Germantown Driving Range serves patrons in Montgomery County and area jurisdictions.

Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee
Parent & Child Golf	\$120 for 4 Classes	April 1, 2025	\$130 for 4 Classes
Beginner Golf Jr. & Adult	\$99 for 4 Classes	April 1, 2025	\$110 for 4 Classes
Parent & Child Archery	\$65 for 4 Classes	April 1, 2025	\$75 for 4 Classes
Level 1 & Level 2 Archery	\$50 for 4 Classes	April 1, 2025	\$60 for 4 Classes

Additional Revenue(classes): FY25- \$1,200 FY26- \$3,600

Effective Date of New Fee: April 1, 2025

Justification for Increase: Offset increasing personnel costs (seasonal/career wages and benefits), increased instructor cost, new equipment as well as the rising costs to maintain equipment.

South Germantown Splash Park and Mini Golf

18056 Central Park Circle
 Boyds, MD 20841

The Splash Park offers a one-of-a-kind 280-jet water maze, cave with waterfall, water bucket drops, slide, and spraying animals. Tables and umbrellas provide shade in rest areas. Party tents are available for rent. On-site restrooms, changing rooms, and vending machines are available. The Splash Park also features a jumping pillow. The 18-hole, lighted championship miniature golf course in South Germantown Recreational Park provides real challenges, with sand traps, rough turf and natural obstacles. This accessible course will challenge golfers of all ages. The Splash Park and Miniature Golf Course are open during the summer season and serve patrons in Montgomery County and area jurisdictions.

Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee
Splash Park Entrance Fee	\$6.50	April 1, 2025	\$7.00
Mini Golf Fee for One Round	\$5.50	April 1, 2025	\$6.00
Medium Party Tent Rental (1 hour & 45 min) 20 admissions included	\$200	April 1, 2025	\$250
Large Party Tent Rental (1 hour & 45 min.) 20 admissions included	\$230	April 1, 2025	\$280

Additional Revenue: FY25- \$7,000 FY26- \$27,900

Effective Date of New Fee: April 1, 2025

Justification for Increase: Offset increasing personnel costs (seasonal/career wages and benefits), increase in supplies and materials and recent equipment /facility upgrades.

Tennis Centers

Pauline Betz Addie Tennis

7801 Democracy Blvd.
Bethesda, MD 20817

Wheaton Indoor Tennis

11715 Orebaugh Ave.
Wheaton, MD 20902

The Pauline Betz Addie Tennis Center at Cabin John Regional Park is air conditioned and includes six tennis courts, restrooms, showers, lockers, and a large customer lounge. The Wheaton Indoor Tennis facility is also air conditioned and includes six courts that are covered by a fabric skin over a rigid frame structure. The facility has an attached service building that contains restrooms, showers, lockers, party/meeting room, kitchenette, and a waiting area. Each tennis center operates seven days per week from early as 6:00 AM to Midnight. Each facility offers a wide variety of classes and camps for many levels and abilities, seasonal court time, spot time play, year-round leagues in partnership with the Montgomery County Tennis Association. Additional offerings are Round Robin, ACEing Autism, and tennis tournaments for various levels. Private instruction and birthday party packages are also available.

Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee
PBA Advanced Classes	\$25/class	April 1, 2025	\$26/class
WIT Advanced Classes	\$21.50/class	April 1, 2025	\$22.50/class

Additional Revenue: FY25- \$2,500 FY26-\$13,700

Effective Date of New Fee: April 1, 2025

Justification for Increase: Offset increasing personnel costs (seasonal/career wages and benefits), increased instructor cost, new equipment as well as the rising costs to maintain equipment.

Miniature Trains and Carousel

Wheaton Train and Carousel
2002 Shorefield Road
Wheaton, MD 20902

Cabin John Miniature Train
7410 Tuckerman Lane
Rockville, MD 20852

The Wheaton Miniature Train is a third-scale replica of the 1863 C.P. Huntington engine, with five passenger cars including an accessible car. The train takes riders on a two-mile trek through Wheaton Regional Park. The train facility has a party room that can be utilized year-round. Constructed in 1915 the Ovid Hazen Wells Carousel features 33 hand-carved horses, three zebras and two chariots. The Cabin John Miniature Train takes passengers on a scenic, two-mile ride through Cabin John Regional Park, a captivating experience for children and adults alike. The train facility has a party room that can be utilized year-round. The trains are open seasonally and run April-October, they also feature two Eye Spy events in April and October.

Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee
Train & Carousel Tickets	\$3.50/ride	April 1, 2025	\$4.00/ride
Discount Ticket Book	\$31.50	April 1, 2025	\$36.00

Additional Revenue: FY25- \$14,400 FY26- \$40,000

Effective Date of New Fee: April 1, 2025

Justification for Increase: Offset increased personnel (career and seasonal) wages and benefits, operating costs such as supplies and materials, equipment upgrades, track maintenance and the purchase of a new carousel.

Horticulture, Forestry and Environmental Education Division Locations:

Community Garden Program

The Montgomery Parks Community Garden Program began in 2009. Since its inception, the program has been able to offer parkland for local food production at a nominal yearly fee, based on plot size, ranging from \$35 - \$85. The program has increased its plot offerings every year, providing more space to garden, connect with people, and enjoy fresh produce. Since 2022, the program has added over 50 plots and plans to continue to expand with new locations. The program was initially managed by a seasonal employee and now has 2 full time career staff and 1 seasonal employee.

In its 15 years, the program has increased plot fees one time in 2016, a \$10 increase across the program. HFEE Division is proposing a \$15 increase for all plot sizes above 100 square feet and no fee increase for plot sizes below 100 square feet.

The Montgomery Parks Community Garden Program is comparable with other programs across the region in that it provides an affordable option for gardening in the community. Recent research into community garden programs managed by other jurisdictions in the region revealed the Montgomery Parks Community Garden program offers significantly more options to program participants in terms of available garden plot sizes and garden typologies. The Montgomery Parks Community Garden program also offers essential materials and services at no additional cost including access to woodchips, compost, water, and a variety of shared gardening tools. Programs in other local jurisdictions do not consistently provide these types of services and materials for program participants or are offered with additional fees beyond the base plot rental fee.

The research into local area community garden programs also included a fee survey. The proposed fee increase for the Montgomery Parks Community Garden Program would still align with the fees of neighboring jurisdictions, while also being considerate of the additional provisions offered to gardeners of the Montgomery Parks program. Given the materials and services provided by the Montgomery Parks Community Garden program, and the flexibility in garden size/typology, an adjustment in the current fee structure is justified.

Additional funds provided by a \$15 fee increase for all garden plots over 100 square feet would help recover costs to sustain and allow the program to expand its offerings by providing more supplies/materials and infrastructure upgrades that exceed the operating budget. This would include adding/replacing smaller supplies like gardening tools, wheelbarrows, hoses etc. to garden inventories, and allow for larger infrastructure upgrades/improvements like storage shed repair and replacement. Additional funding will help to cover increased staff and seasonal salaries to maintain and improve oversight and communication with gardeners.

The Community Garden program currently operates in 14 locations, detailed below.

Garden Name	Address
Black Hill Regional Park	20941 Lake Ridge Dr. Boyds, MD 20841
Bradley Local Park	8701 Hartsdale Avenue Bethesda, MD 20817
Briggs Chaney	2161 Briggs Chaney Road Silver Spring, MD 20905
Brink Road	10401 Brink Road Germantown, MD 20876
Edgewood Neighborhood Park	13900 Robey Road, Fairland, MD 20904
Fenton Street	7904 Fenton Street Silver Spring, MD 20910
Gaynor Road	4601 Gaynor Road Rockville, MD 20852

King Street	7980 Georgia Ave Silver Spring, MD 20910
Long Branch Local Park	8700 Piney Branch Road Silver Spring, MD 20901
Nolte Local Park	200 Denver Road Silver Spring, MD 20910
Parklawn Local Park	12718 Veirs Mill Rd Rockville, MD 20853
Rocking Horse Center	4920 Macon Rd Rockville, MD 20852
Sligo Mill Overlook	6400 Orchard Avenue Takoma Park, MD 20912
South Germantown Recreational Park	18041 Central Park Circle Boyds, MD 20841

- Operating hours: Sunrise to Sunset, daily
- Usage: 556 plots available across 14 locations
- Clients Served: residents of Montgomery County

Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee
100 square foot and below	\$35	N/A	No Change
200 square foot plot	\$45	immediately	\$60
300 square foot plot	\$55	immediately	\$70
400 square foot plot	\$65	immediately	\$80
625 square foot plot	\$85	immediately	\$100

Additional Revenue:

FY25: \$0;

FY26: \$7,200 (480 plots over 100 square feet)

Effective Date of New Fee: July 1, 2025

Community Garden Program – Adult Educational Events

The Community Garden program offers opportunities for Montgomery County residents to access parkland to produce locally grown food while building community and promoting physical activity. Expanding on that core vision, the program also strives to create space to connect the public with experts in local food systems to provide education and inspire engagement on horticulture and food-related topics. These educational events serve to engage the public beyond those already in the Community Garden program to strengthen community-wide food systems literacy, enhance community connections, and support healthy lifestyles.

One such adult educational program that has been piloted by the Community Garden program is called Foodie Fridays. Designed as a monthly speaker series, it began in 2018 as a free offering for the public. Foodie Fridays highlights local farmers, educators, community organizers, food lovers, and changemakers, and offers opportunity for staff to engage with anyone who doesn't already participate in the Community Garden program to learn more. These events have been very popular and nearly every event has sold out over the past two years.

Foodie Fridays is held at the Josiah Henson Museum and Park. Currently, program fees support the event's implementation, including staffing and development of a high-quality educational program, a catered meal, beverages for participants (alcoholic/non-alcoholic), and honorariums for featured speakers. Each Foodie Friday ticket also offers participants entrance to the Josiah Henson Museum and Park at a later date. Program fees are shared with the Josiah Henson Museum and Park, where 1/3 of each ticket sale is used to support use of the museum facility and covers their staffing needs on the evenings of each event.

In conducting research of similar adult education programs within the region that offer nature-based, or food system education, where meals and beverages included, the proposed fee increase from \$15 to \$20 would be more consistent with regional standards.

- Operating hours: Each event runs from 6:30pm – 8:30pm
- Usage: 55 total tickets available per event
- Clients Served: residents of Montgomery County

Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee
CG Educational Program	\$15	immediately	\$20

Additional Revenue: FY25: \$275 (*June 2025*)

FY26: \$1,375 (*July-October 2025 and June 2026=5 Foodie Fridays*)

Effective Date of New Fee: June 2025

Brookside Gardens

1800 Glenallan Avenue
 Wheaton MD 20902

In operation since 1969, Brookside Gardens is a large, complex, multi-functional facility that operates as a horticultural display garden, living museum with plant collections, environmental education center, rental venue, and recreation destination. The following request for fee increases is for Brookside Gardens Enterprise functions only, which include rentals, Garden of Lights and Wings of Fancy. These functions are required to be self-supporting.

Brookside Gardens Rentals Justification for Increase:

Price increase for facility rentals is anywhere from 2-10% depending on the specific rental, the calculated cost to run the event (mostly personnel) and the expected cost recovery.

- Operating hours: Events and programs are hosted from sunrise to 11 pm, every day, year-round. The Visitor Center and Conservatory are open year-round seven days per week.
- Usage: Rental packages include various set time blocks with options to extend each rental by purchasing additional hours; educational and recreational activities include horticultural classes and workshops, school field trip programs, summer camps, art exhibits, concerts, a live butterfly exhibit, and a winter light festival.
- Clients served: Total visitation encompasses over 200,000 attendees participating in programs or events, over 90 rental clients per year, and close to 1,000,000 visitors annually.

Wedding Package Rentals*

Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee
5-hr Peak Weekend Resident	\$2,210	July 1, 2025	\$2,430
5-hr Rental Peak Weekend Non-Resident	\$2,600	July 1, 2025	\$2,860
5-hr Site Rental Peak Weekday Resident	\$1,215	July 1, 2025	\$1,340
5-hr Rental Peak Weekday Non-Resident	\$1,430	July 1, 2025	\$1,570
5-hr Rental Off-Peak Resident	\$1,326	July 1, 2025	\$1,460
5-hr Rental Off-Peak Non-Resident	\$1,560	July 1, 2025	\$1,720
7-hr Rental Peak Weekend Resident	\$4,760	July 1, 2025	\$4,990
7-hr Rental Peak Weekend Non-resident	\$5,600	July 1, 2025	\$5,880
7-hr Rental Peak Weekday Resident	\$2,618	July 1, 2025	\$2,750
7-hr Rental Peak Weekday	\$3,080	July 1, 2025	\$3,240

Non-resident			
7-hr Rental Off-Peak Resident	\$2,856	July 1, 2025	\$2,990
7-hr Rental Off-Peak Non-Resident	\$3,360	July 1, 2025	\$3,530
9-hr Rental Peak Weekend Resident	\$5,780	July 1, 2025	\$5,890
9-hr Rental Peak Weekend Non-resident	\$6,800	July 1, 2025	\$6,950
9-hr Rental Peak Weekday Resident	\$3,179	July 1, 2025	\$3,240
9-hr Rental Peak Weekday Non-resident	\$3,740	July 1, 2025	\$3,810
9-hr Rental Off Peak Resident	\$3,368	July 1, 2025	\$3,540
9-hr Rental Off Peak Non-Resident	\$4,080	July 1, 2025	\$4,160
7-hr Single Site Rental Weekend** Resident	\$1,904	July 1, 2025	\$1,940
7-hr Single Site Rental Weekend** Non-Resident	\$2,240	July 1, 2025	\$2,280
7-hr Single Site Rental Weekday** Resident	\$1,487	July 1, 2025	\$1,520
7-hr Single Site Rental Weekday** Non-Resident	\$1,750	July 1, 2025	\$1,780
9-hr Single Site Rental Weekend** Resident	\$2,448	July 1, 2025	\$2,690
9-hr Single Site Rental Weekend** Non-Resident	\$2,880	July 1, 2025	\$3,160
9-hr Single Site Rental Weekday** Resident	\$1,912	July 1, 2025	\$2,100
9-hr Single Site Rental Weekday** Non-Resident	\$2,250	July 1, 2025	\$2,470

*Wedding packages listed include multiple garden sites unless otherwise noted. **Single site rentals refer to areas in or adjacent to the Visitor Center building and do not adhere to peak or off-peak pricing due to limited staffing needs.

Other Rentals

Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee
Memorials Rental Peak Weekend* Resident	\$2,677	July 1, 2025	\$2,880
Memorials Rental Peak Weekend* Non-Resident	\$3,150	July 1, 2025	\$3,380
Memorials Rental Weekday* Resident	\$1,683	July 1, 2025	\$1,810
Memorials Rental Weekday* Non-Resident	\$1,980	July 1, 2025	\$2,130
Memorial Rental Off-Peak* Resident	\$1,793	July 1, 2025	\$1,930
Memorial Rental Off-Peak* Non-Resident	\$2,110	July 1, 2025	\$2,270
Private Gathering 3-hr Classroom Rental		July 1, 2025	\$300

*Memorial rentals are 6 hours during business hours; Rental Add-On Fees

Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee
Private Gathering Party Package (tablecloths, plates, utensils)	new	July 1, 2025	\$200
A/V Package Add on	\$350	July 1, 2025	\$385
Classroom Add-on to Wedding Rental	new	July 1, 2025	\$150
2 Classroom Add-on to Wedding Rental	new	July 1, 2025	\$225
Classroom Add-on to other rental	new	July 1, 2025	\$100
Single Garden Site Rental per hour	new	July 1, 2025	\$300
Set up and Clean up fee (3 hr minimum)	new	July 1, 2025	\$600

Photo Permits

Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee
Conservatory Photo Permit*	\$100	July 1, 2025	\$150
Reserved Garden Area Photo Shoot**	new	July 1, 2025	\$550

*Only available before or after the conservatory is open to the public;

Additional Revenue: FY26 = \$24,000

Effective Date: July 1, 2025

Justification for Increase: Increased fees cover the costs associated with increased seasonal and full-time staff salaries since FY22. New fees reflect fair market research and an increase in demand for additional amenities or services as well as increased administrative input. The full revenue impact will likely not be realized until FY27 since rentals currently booked for FY26 will be honored at the FY25 rates.

Brookside Gardens Special Event Admission Fees

Justification for Increase:

Increasing **Garden of Lights** entrance fees addresses the costs associated with increased seasonal staff salaries, full-time staff salaries, and park police salaries which provide security for the event. New fees reflect fair market research and an increase in demand for related events per the fee analysis. Additionally, premium pricing on the weekends still allows for less expensive options Sundays through Thursdays while entrance fees for children 4 years and younger continue to be free. The total additional revenue is forecasted at \$150,000.

The **Butterfly Show** has not operated since 2019 due to the pandemic and staffing turnover. Proposed fee increases are driven by the increase in the minimum wage since 2020, the rising cost of captive-reared pupae, supplies, federal and state containment regulations, permit fees, and staff training. A fee survey demonstrated that the proposed fees are below the median and average when compared to other shows in similar metropolitan markets. The Butterfly Show is scheduled to open in Spring 2025 with a portion of the revenue impacting FY25 and the remainder in FY26.

Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee
Butterfly Show Admission Children (ages 3-12 yrs), per person	\$6	April 1, 2025	\$9
Butterfly Show Admission Adults (ages 13+), per person	\$10	April 1, 2025	\$14
Garden of Lights Children (ages 0-4yrs), per person	Free	April 1, 2025	Free
Garden of Lights Weeknights* Ages 5 years and up, per person	\$10	April 1, 2025	\$12
Garden of Lights Weekends* Ages 5 years and up, per person	\$10	April 1, 2025	\$15

*Weeknights are Sunday through Thursday and weekends are Friday and Saturday

Additional Revenue:

FY25=\$166,000

FY26 = \$150,000 +\$233,000 + \$166,000 =\$549,000

Effective Date: April 1, 2025

Park Academy Series

Coordinated by Parks Activation, The Park Academy Series focuses on providing a variety of health, wellness, and educational opportunities throughout parks in Montgomery County. The Park Academy Series was launched as a pilot program in the spring of 2024. During the pilot phase, the series has offered multi-week classes and workshops in Tree Climbing, Nordic Walking, Pound Fitness, Dance, Yoga, Intro to Robotics and Coding, Balance and Mobility. The series provides opportunities for kids, teens, adults, and the 55+ community. The programs are held as part of multi-week sessions or one-time workshops. Depending on the nature of the program, fees may need to be adjusted for supplies and materials costs. The fee for different classes will vary due to a variety of factors including scope of activity, class size, level of instruction, instructor experience including certifications, and associated material costs. Additional programs and events are offered at no cost through general parks activation programming.

The programs are offered as a considerable community benefit, aligning with parks activation goal of providing community-based programming and creating social connections through mutual interests and programming. The proposed fees represent the top of

The comparison chart is a sampling of similar programs offered by jurisdictions in the area. The proposed fees for the Park Academy Series represent the top-point of potential hourly fees and account for instructors' fees, materials, and supplies. The proposed fee for Science and Technology accounts for a higher material cost for programs. Additional factors for fees include Montgomery Parks and PROS Plan initiatives including programming for teens and the 55+ community.

Park Academy Series programs are located at parks and park activity buildings throughout Montgomery County in both an indoor and outdoor setting.

Proposed fees

Description	Effective Date	Proposed Hourly Fee*-new
Fitness and Wellness programs	September 1, 2025	\$14 hour
Science and Technology programs	September 1, 2025	\$35 hour
Music/Dance based programs and instruction	September 1, 2025	\$18 hour
Arts based programs and instruction	September 1, 2025	\$16 hour

Additional Revenue: FY26 \$1,108

Effective Date: September 1, 2025

Justification for Increase: Offset increased instructor (seasonal) wages, operating costs such as supplies and materials. In conducting research of similar programs featuring fitness, wellness, dance, arts, and science and technology-based programs, the proposed fees would be in line with regional standards.

Park Planning and Stewardship Division Locations:

Museums

Park Planning and Stewardship’s Cultural Resources Museums Section (CRMS) programs and interprets multiple historic sites throughout Montgomery Parks that highlight important aspects of Montgomery County’s history and align with Montgomery County Public Schools CORE curricula. CRMS operates four museums: Woodlawn Manor and Underground Railroad Experience Trail at Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park; Josiah Henson Museum & Park; Bussard Farmstead at Agricultural History Farm Park; and Oakley Cabin African American Museum & Park; and one historic site, Kingsley Schoolhouse. The four museums are open on a regular basis, including programs for school groups, though Oakley Cabin provides very limited public programming due to staffing shortages.

Justification for Increase: An increase in program fees will cover the costs associated with increased seasonal and full-time staff salaries. New and increased fees reflect fair market value research and reflect the increased demand in Montgomery County for additional amenities or services at the museums. Proposed fees will support ongoing maintenance of the historic structures within these parks.

Woodlawn Museum & the Underground Railroad Experience (UGRR) Trail

Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park
16501 Norwood Road
Sandy Spring, MD

In operation since the late 1980s as an historic interpretive site, Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park is a large, multi-functional park where Montgomery Parks operates the Woodlawn Museum and its campus of six historic buildings and the Underground Railroad Experience Trail, a natural surface interpretive trail that is part of the Rachel Carson Greenway. Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park also offers small business meeting rentals within the Manor House and grounds.

- Operating hours: Park grounds are open daily, year-round sunrise to sunset. Museum is open for general admission April – November, Friday & Saturday, 10 am – 4 pm, Sunday, 12 – 4 pm. Group tours for adults and school field trips are conducted April – November, Tuesday – Saturday, with 9:30 am – 3 pm start times.
- Usage: Business meeting rental packages are available that include various set time blocks with options to extend each rental by purchasing additional hours; educational program activities include guided and self-guided tours of museum and Underground Railroad Experience Trail, school field trip programs, concerts, family-oriented special events.
- Clients served: Total visitation encompasses over 2,400 attendees participating in group tours, programs, or events, and close to 3,800 visitors annually.

<u>General Admission – Museum</u>			
<i>*Children 5 and under are not charged a fee for general admission or programs</i>			
Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee
Adult	\$5.00	July 1, 2025	\$7.00
Senior (55+)	\$4.00	July 1, 2025	\$6.00
Child (6-17)	\$4.00	July 1, 2025	\$6.00

<u>General Admission – Manor House</u>			
Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee
Per Person	\$5.00		No change
<u>General Admission – Underground Railroad Hike and Museum*</u>			
*Note: Admission charged for Saturday guided hikes only. Self-guided hikes are free.			
Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee
Adult	\$8.00	July 1, 2025	\$10.00
Senior (55+)	\$8.00		No change
Child (6 – 17)	\$8.00		No change

<u>Group Tours</u>			
Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee
UGRR Hike: Adult	\$8.00	July 1, 2025	\$10.00
UGRR Hike: Seniors (55+)	New	July 1, 2025	\$9.00
UGRR Hike: Student	\$7.00		No change
UGRR Hike: Student / Title 1	\$3.50		No change
Museum & Manor House: Adult	\$8.00	July 1, 2025	\$10.00
Museum & Manor House: Senior (55+)	new	July 1, 2025	\$9.00
Museum & Manor House: Student	\$8.00		No change
Museum & Manor House: Student / Title 1	\$4.00		No change
“Day at Woodlawn” Package (UGRR Hike & Museum & Manor House): Per Person*	\$15.00	July 1, 2025	\$17.00

Additional Revenue:

FY26: \$2933

Effective Date of New Fee: July 1, 2025

Josiah Henson Museum & Park

11410 Old Georgetown Road

North Bethesda, MD

Originally acquired in 2006, with limited tours and public programs offered from 2007 – 2018, the new Josiah Henson Museum opened in 2021 as an historic interpretive site. The site includes a Visitor Center, 19th century historic house with attached log kitchen, and a 4-acre landscaped park. Henson Museum and Park also offers small business meeting rentals available within the Visitor Center and grounds.

- Operating hours: Park grounds are open daily, year-round sunrise to sunset. Museum is open for general admission year-round, Friday & Saturday, 10 am – 4 pm, Sunday, 12 – 4 pm. Group tours for adults and school field trips are conducted year-round, Tuesday – Sunday.
- Usage: Business meeting rental packages are available that include various set time blocks with options to extend each rental by purchasing additional hours; educational program activities include guided and self-guided tours of the museum, school field trip programs, family-oriented special events and workshops.
- Clients served: Total visitation encompasses over 2,700 attendees participating in group tours, programs or events, and close to 4,300 visitors annually.

<u>General Admission</u>			
<i>*Children 5 and under are not charged a fee for general admission or programs</i>			
Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee
Adult	\$5.00	July 1, 2025	\$7.00
Senior (55+)	\$4.00	July 1, 2025	\$6.00
Child (6-17)*	\$4.00	July 1, 2025	\$6.00

<u>Group Tours</u>			
Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee
Museum - Adult	\$5.00	July 1, 2025	\$7.00
Museum - Senior (55+)	\$4.00	July 1, 2025	\$6.00
Museum - Student	\$5.00		No change
Museum – Student / Title 1	\$2.50		No change
Archaeology Tour – Per Person*	\$3.00		No change

Additional Revenue:

FY26: \$3,707

Effective Date of New Fee: July 1, 2025

Agricultural History Farm Park

18400 Muncaster Road

Derwood, MD 20855

The Agricultural History Farm Park is the largest of Parks historic interpretive sites, spanning more than 450 acres and operating as an interpretive site since the 1990s. The site includes more than 35 acres of the historic Magruder-Bussard farmstead that contains the 19th century farmhouse, bank barn, and 6 other historic structures. The Farm Park also offers small business meeting rentals available within the historic farmhouse, bank barn and grounds.

- Operating hours: Park grounds are open daily, year-round sunrise to sunset. Museum provides group tours for adults and school field trips, conducted April - November, Tuesday – Saturday.
- Usage: Educational program activities include guided and self-guided tours of the museum and

historic farmstead, school field trip programs, family-oriented special events. And workshops. Business meeting rental packages are available that include various set time blocks with options to extend each rental by purchasing additional hours.

- Clients served: Total visitation encompasses over 2,500 attendees participating in educational programs, special programs, and events – i.e. annual Harvest Festival, and close to 4,500 visitors annually.

<u>Group Tours</u>			
Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee
Adult	\$5.00	July 1, 2025	\$7.00
Senior (55+)	\$4.00	July 1, 2025	\$6.00
Student	\$5.00		No change
Student / Title 1	\$2.50		No change

Additional Revenue:

FY26: \$2.403

Effective Date of New Fee: July 1, 2025

Business Meeting Rentals

Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park, Josiah Henson Museum & Park and the Agricultural History Farm Park.

Proposed fees would require a new mandatory deposit and half of rental payment due at the time of booking. This aligns the museums’ business meeting rental fees with Enterprise facilities and covers the cost of staff time and site preparation that goes into handling requests.

Business Meeting Rental:					
	Current Fee	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee	Proposed Fee
3-Hour Minimum	Bi-County: Business or Non-profit Rate	Non-Bi- County: Business or Non-profit Rate		Bi-County: Business or Non-profit Rate	Non-Bi- County: Business or Non- profit Rate
Refundable Deposit (due at time of booking)	New	New	July 1, 2025	\$300 Refundable Deposit	\$300 Refundable Deposit
Down Payment (due at time of booking)	New	New	July 1, 2025	50% of Total Rental	50% of Total Rental
Rental Rate: 9am – 5pm	\$75/hour	\$90/hour		No change	No change
Non-Operating Hours Rental Rate:	\$100/hour	\$120/hour		No change	No change

Before/After 9am – 5pm					
Add-on: AV Package Projector, screen, microphone (tax included)	\$75 Flat Rate New to Ag History Farm Park	\$75 Flat Rate New to Ag History Farm Park		No change New to Ag History Farm Park	No change New to Ag History Farm Park
Add-on: Easels/Pads/Markers (tax included)	\$30 Flat Rate New to Ag History Farm Park	\$30 Flat Rate New to Ag History Farm Park		No change New to Ag History Farm Park	No change New to Ag History Farm Park
Add-on: Table Linens (tax included)	\$25 per table New to Ag History Farm Park	\$25 per table New to Ag History Farm Park		No change New to Ag History Farm Park	No change New to Ag History Farm Park
Woodlawn Museum Add-on: Guided Experience: Manor House & Woodlawn Museum (1 hour) OR Underground Railroad Experience Trail Hike (1 ½ hour)	\$8 per person	\$8 per person	July 1, 2025	\$10 per person	\$10 per person
Josiah Henson Museum Add-on: Screening of <i>My Name is Josiah Henson</i> film and self-guided tour of Josiah Henson Museum	\$3 per person	\$3 per person	July 1, 2025	\$5 per person	\$5 per person
Ag History Farm Park Add-on: Guided tour of Bussard Farmstead	New	New	July 1, 2025	\$5 per person	\$5 per person

One-Hour Photography Session Photo Permit Rates

Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park and Agricultural History Farm Park

Proposed fee changes align photography session fees with those offered throughout Parks, such as those for Brookside Gardens. It will also streamline the booking process for patrons by reducing the pricing options.

One-Hour Photography Permit					
	Current Fee	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee	Proposed Fee
Group Size	2 weeks + Advance Reservation	13 days or less – Advance Reservation		Advance Reservation	Day of Reservation
1-7 people	\$50	\$90		No change	No change
8-16 people	\$100	\$145		No change	No change
17+ people	\$150	\$200		No change	No change

Oakley Cabin African American Museum & Park

3610 Brookville Road

Olney, MD

Oakley Cabin has been in operation since the 1980s as one of the primary historic sites interpreting the African American experience in Montgomery County. The 19th century log cabin sits on a 2-acre tract of land running along Reddy Branch in Olney.

- Operating hours: Park grounds are open daily, year-round sunrise to sunset. Museum open with free guided tours, April – October, every other Saturday, 12p – 4p. Group tours for adults and school field trips are conducted April - November, Tuesday – Saturday.
- Usage: Educational program activities include guided and self-guided tours of the museum and historic farmstead, school field trip programs, family-oriented special events, and workshops.
- Clients served: Total visitation averages 500 - 700 visitors annually.

Description	Current Fee	Effective Date	Proposed Fee
Group Tour - Adult	\$5.00	July 1, 2025	\$7.00
Group Tour - Senior (55+)	\$4.00	July 1, 2025	\$6.00
Group Tour - Student	\$5.00		No change
Group Tour – Student / Title 1	\$2.50		No change

Additional Revenue:

FY26: \$3,000

Effective Date of New Fee: July 1, 2025

Summary of Projected Revenue per proposed increase per year fee is implemented	FY25 increased revenue	FY26 increased revenue
Event Centers – Rockwood & Seneca	\$0	\$79,800
Ice Rinks - Cabin John & Wheaton	\$38,850	\$215,500
Little Bennett Campground	\$53,200	\$81,000
So. Germantown Splash Park	\$7,000	\$27,900
So. Germantown Driving Range	\$1,200	\$3,600
Tennis – PBA & Wheaton	\$2,500	\$13,700
Trains - Cabin John & Wheaton	\$14,400	\$40,000
Community Gardens	\$275	\$8,575
Brookside Gardens	\$166,000	\$549,000
Activation, Park Academy Series	\$0	\$1,108
Cultural Resources Museums – Woodlawn, Henson, AHFP, Oakley Cabin	\$0	\$12,043
Total	\$283,425	\$1,032,226

Event Centers Fee Survey

Venue	Rockwood Manor	Seneca Lodge	Glenview Mansion	Kentlands Mansion	Woodend Sanctuary & Mansion	Rocklands Farm
Social Rates						
Social Package Hours	8 hour between 8am - 12am	8 hour between 8am - 12am	6 Hour , 8 Hour , 10 Hour Packages (tenting requires 10 hr package)	Fri/Sun 7hrs, Sat 8hrs	8 hour rentals	8-hour rentals end 11pm
In Season	April - October	April - October	April-Dec		Hi Season	May - June/September - October
Friday	\$3,500/\$2,850	\$2,950/\$3,540	8hr-\$4,400/\$4,000, 10hr-\$6,000/\$5,500	\$2,775 / \$2,080 7 Hours	\$6,600	N/A
Saturday	\$4,600/\$3,800	\$3,470/\$4,165	8hr-\$5,400/\$4,700, 10hr-\$7,000/\$6,500	\$3,535/\$2,775 8 hours	SPRING/FALL(8am- 4pm) \$6,600 (4PM- 12AM) \$9,800 SUMMER (8 hours of their choice) \$8,000 SPRING/FALL ONLY: 14 hours = \$14,950	\$7,000
Sunday	\$3,500/\$2,850	\$2,950/\$3,540	8hr-\$4,400/\$5,000, 10hr-\$6,000/\$5,000	\$2,775/ \$2,080 7 hours	\$6,600	\$7,000
Off Season	November - March	November - March	Jan-Mar			N/A
Friday	\$2140/\$1785	\$1,480/\$1,780	30% Discount from above rate	\$2,520 / \$1,980		Rehearsal Pkg \$300/up to 3 hrs
Saturday	\$2855/\$2380	\$1,810/\$2,175	30% Discount from above rate	\$3,360/\$2,640		
Sunday	\$2140/\$1785	\$1,480/\$1,780	30% Discount from above rate	\$2,520 / \$1,980		

Brookside Gardens Rentals Fee Survey

Venue	Location	Wedding Package	Fee	Cost per hour
The Mansion at Strathmore	Bethesda, MD	8 hours	\$6,000	\$750
Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden	Richmond, VA	10 hours	\$7,500	\$750
Howard County Conservancy	Woodstock, MD	8 hours	\$5,600	\$700
The Lodge at Little Seneca Creek (MNCPPC)	Boys, MD	8 hours	\$4,165	\$521.63
Rockwood Manor (MNCPPC)	Potomac, MD	8 hours	\$4,600	\$575
Brookside Gardens (MNCPPC)*	Wheaton, MD	9 hours	\$6,950	\$772

*indicates FY2025 proposed fee

Ice Rinks Fee Survey

	Cabin John Ice Rink	Wheaton Ice Arena	The Gardens Ice House	Rockville Ice Arena	MNCPPC - Herbert Wells		MNCPPC - Tucker Road		SkateQuest - Reston	Bowtie Ice Arena		Fairfax Ice Arena	Skate Frederick	Ashburn Ice House	Ion International Training Center (Leesburg, VA)	Medstar Capitals Iceplex
					Resident	Non-Resident	Resident	Non-Resident		Resident	Non-Resident					
SHEETS																
Number	3	1	4	3	1		1		2	1		1	2	2	2	2
Sizes	OLY, NHL, Studio	NHL	OLY, NHL (2), Outdoor (Nov-Mar)	3 NHL	NHL (November-April)		NHL		OLY, NHL	NHL (July-April)				NHL	OLY, NHL	NHL
ADMISSION - WEEKDAY																
Adult	\$8	\$8		\$10	\$5	\$7	\$7	\$9	\$10	\$7	\$9	\$9	\$7.50		\$15	\$15
Child (17 and under)	\$8	\$8	\$7.70		\$4	\$6	\$6	\$8					\$7 (11 and under)	\$15	\$13 (12 and under)	\$15
Senior (60+)	\$7	\$7			\$4	\$6	\$6	\$8					\$8		\$15	
Discount Passes	\$72 (10 punches)	\$72 (10 punches)							2 sessions: \$18 10 sessions: \$90 15 sessions: \$135	5 punches: \$28 10 punches: \$55 20 punches: \$115 Unlimited: \$225	5 punches: \$36 10 punches: \$72 20 punches: \$150 Unlimited: \$300	\$79 (10 punches)	12 sessions: Adult: \$75 Child: \$70 Senior: \$60	10 sessions: \$120 20 sessions: \$240		
ADMISSION - WEEKEND																
Adult	\$8	\$8		\$10	\$5	\$7	\$7	\$9	\$10	\$7	\$9	\$10	\$11		\$15	\$15
Child	\$8	\$8	\$7.70		\$4	\$6	\$6	\$8					\$10 (11 and under)	\$15	\$13 (12 and under)	\$15
Senior (60+)	\$8	\$8			\$4	\$6	\$6	\$8					\$8		\$15	
MOVES/FREESTYLE																
Drop-in	\$8.50/30 min	\$8.50/30 min	\$9.50/30 min	\$9/30 min	\$9	\$12	\$8/30 min	\$8/30 min	\$8.75/30 min	\$7.5/30 min	\$10/30 min	\$9.5/30 min	\$7.5/30 min	\$9/30 min	\$8/30 mins	\$9/30 min
LEASING																
Prime Time - 60 mins				\$900	\$275	\$300		\$562		\$380		\$450	\$350	\$500		\$660
Non-prime Time - 60 mins	\$375	\$375	\$465													
GROUP LESSONS																
Group Regular (per class)	\$19	\$19		\$21	\$12.14	\$15.87	\$12.85	\$16.70				\$25				
Group Advanced (per class)	\$28.50	\$19	Garden Sports Member: \$20.37 Non-member: \$22.14	\$26.42	Hockey: \$13.57 Freestyle: \$15	Hockey: \$17.71 Freestyle: \$19.5	\$15.71	\$20.42	\$24	\$19	\$22.14	\$24.50	\$16.87	\$25	\$25	\$25
Room Rentals																
Recreational/Multipurpose Rooms (per hour)	\$75	\$75	Currently not offering birthday party packages or room rentals		\$65	\$85	\$65	\$85	Offers Party Packages	\$50	\$50	Offers Party Packages	Offers Party Packages	Offers Party Packages	Offers Party Packages	Offers Party Packages

Campground Fee Survey

		Little Bennett		M-NCPPC PG				Catoctin Mountain Park	Cherry Hill Campground	Jellystone Park Camp Resort		Adventure Bound Camping Resort	Rambling Pines Campground
		Resident	Non-Resident	Resident	Non-Resident	Resident	Non-Resident			Natural Bridge, VA	Williamsport		
TENT CAMPING (NO ELECTRICITY)													
	Weekday	\$35.00	\$40.00	\$12.00	\$20.00	\$12.00	\$20.00	\$30.00	88 w/electricity	\$51-\$65 (electric)	\$42.00	\$55-89 w/electricity	\$40.00
	Weekend	\$35.00	\$40.00	\$12.00	\$20.00	\$12.00	\$20.00	\$30.00	88 w/electricit	\$51-\$77 (electric)	\$59.00	\$55-89 w/electricity	\$40.00
RV CAMPING (ELECTRICITY)													
Full Hook-Up	Weekday	\$64.00	\$75.00	-----	-----	\$15.00	\$23.00	-----	\$73-\$93	\$56-\$75	\$49-\$94	\$55-89	\$80.00
Full Hook-Up	Weekend	\$64.00	\$75.00	-----	-----	\$15.00	\$23.00	-----	\$73-\$93	\$56-\$87	\$70-\$121	\$55-89	\$80.00
Cabins													
4 Person		\$125.00	\$150.00					\$50.00	\$177.00	\$109-\$162	\$85-\$275	\$89-\$199	\$90-\$160
6 Person		\$155.00	\$185.00					\$140.00	\$177.00	\$129-\$201	\$147-\$302	\$89-\$199	
YURTS													
Yurt		\$95.00	\$110.00						\$120				

Driving Range Fee Survey

	South Germantown	Olney Golf Park	Laurel Golf Center	Needwood	Little Bennett
Classes and Clinics					
Classes	\$99/120 Parent&Child	Kids: \$30+Bucket	Lg Bukt/ 1 Hour Toptracer \$25	100/hr	325 for 5 lessons
Clinics	\$15 kids/ \$20 Adults	Senior: \$15+Bucket			

Miniature Golf Fee Survey

	South Germantown Mini Golf	M-NCPPC PG Watkins		Monster Mini-Golf Gaithersburg	Bohrer Gaithersburg		East Potomac Mini Golf
		Resident	Non-Resident		Resident	Non-Resident	
DAILY ADMISSION							
Regular (11 and over)*	\$5.50	\$5.00	\$6.50	\$13.99 Youth	\$8.00	\$9.00	\$15.00
Youth (10 and under)*	\$5.50	\$5.00	\$6.50	\$15.99 Adult	\$8.00	\$9.00	\$9.00
Sr. Citizen (62+)	\$5.50	\$5.00	\$6.50	.99 Sr./Military	\$7.00	\$8.00	n/a

Swimming Pools Fee Survey

	South Germantown Splash Playground ****	M-NCPPC PG *		MC Dept of Recreation		City of Gaithersburg**		
		Summer Outdoor Splash Pools		Summer Outdoor Pools		Bohrer Park		
		Resident	Non-Resident	Resident	Non-Resident	City Resident	County Resident	Out of County
DAILY ADMISSION								
Adult (18+)	\$6.50	\$6.00	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$20.00	\$6.00	\$16 (M-F Only)	No Admission
Youth (1-17)	\$6.50	\$5.00	\$7.00	\$5.00	\$20.00	\$6.00	n/a	No Admission
Senior Citizen (62+)	\$6.50	\$5.00	\$7.00	\$6.00	\$20.00	\$6.00	n/a	No Admission

Indoor Tennis Fee Survey

	M-NCPPC - MC		M-NCPPC - PG (1)			Montgomery Tennis Plex	Leesburg VA Parks & Recreation Ida Lee Tennis Center	Columbia Association		Quince Orchard (2) (5)
	Pauline Betz Addie	Wheaton Indoor Tennis	Watkins	Cosca	Fairland			Columbia Athletic Club	Long Reach Tennis Club	
Group Lessons										
Beginner (per class)	\$23.50	\$19.50	\$10-\$13	\$9.5-\$12.5	\$22- \$28.67	\$31	\$30.50	\$39	\$39	\$43
Advanced (per class)	\$25	\$21.50	\$10-\$13	\$9.5-\$12.5	\$36	\$62	\$30.50	\$39	\$39	\$43

Miniature Trains and Carousels Fee Survey

	Cabin John	Wheaton	M-NCPPC - PG Watkins		Fairfax Park Auth Fairfax, Burke Accotink Lake	Glen Echo	The National Zoo in DC	The Mall in Columbia	The Maryland Zoo at Baltimore	The Carousel at National Harbor	RIO Washingtonian Lakefront Carousel
			Resident	Non-Resident							
TRAIN											
Per Ride	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.75	\$5.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	Included with zoo admission	N/A	N/A
Discount Bk/Grp (10 rides)	\$31.50	\$31.50	\$31.50	\$33.75	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
CAROUSEL											
Per Ride	N/A	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.75	\$4.00	\$2.00 (All day pass is \$5.00)	\$4.00	\$4.00	Included with zoo admission, conductor ticket is \$20.	\$7.00/child for unlimited rides during visit (adults ride free)	\$7.00/day pass \$5 day pass with military id
Discount Bk/Grp (10 rides)	N/A	\$31.50	\$31.50	\$33.75	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Included with zoo admission	\$5.00/child for military with ID	N/A

Community Garden Plot Fee Area Survey

	Montgomery Parks Community Garden Program		Fairfax County VA	Arlington County VA	City of Alexandria	City of Rockville, MD
Plot/Program Information	Current	Proposed	Current	Current	Current	Current
100 SF and Under	\$35	No Change	\$80			
150 SF					With Volunteer Hours: \$30 (resident)/\$60 (non- resident) NO Volunteer Hours: \$60 (resident)/\$120 (non-resident)	
200 SF	\$45	\$60		With Water: \$30* Without Water: \$25*		
300 SF	\$55	\$70			1. With Volunteer Hours: \$60 (resident)/\$120 (non-resident) 2. NO Volunteer Hours: \$120 (resident)/\$240 (non-resident)	
400 SF	\$65	\$80		With Water: \$60* Without Water: \$50*		
600 SF			\$140			
625 SF	\$85	\$100				\$75 (resident)/\$85 (non-resident)
Terms			Annual renewal. Small plots are 1-year only		Annual renewal	
Continued from previous page	Montgomery Parks Community Garden Program		Fairfax County VA	Arlington County VA	City of Alexandria	City of Rockville, MD

Additional Notes	Provided: Access to water, finished compost (as available), woodchips, and organic material disposal, shared garden tools/equipment	Provided: access to water Not Provided: fencing, compost, woodchips, organic material disposal, garden tools	*Per individual garden association, additional fees to cover costs of water and mulch may apply at certain gardens as well as new gardener fees.	Utilizes a volunteer model, where plot fees are lowered for gardeners who offer volunteer service to the garden. Provided: Access to water, composted leaf mulch and woodchips (as available), and organic material disposal	Provided: Access to water, woodchips, and organic material disposal Not Provided: fencing, compost, garden tools
Volunteer Requirement	8 hours	No Change		Approx. 4-5hours per season	

Community Garden Adult Educational Events Area Fee Survey

These are results of a fee survey of local area adult-education programs. Each of these events runs from 1.5-2 hours each.

Description	Jurisdiction	Fee	Notes
Foodie Fridays	Montgomery Parks	\$15	Includes catered meal and alcoholic/non-alcoholic beverages
Nature After Dark	City of Rockville	\$20 (resident) / \$25 (non-resident)	Includes alcoholic beverages and snacks
Chocolate Alchemy	City of Rockville	\$20 (resident) / \$25 (non-resident)	Includes supplies/materials for chocolate making
Making Soft Pretzels and Pairings	Frederick County/Chocolate and Tomatoes Farm	\$40	Includes cooking with the chef, sample pretzels and pairings, nonalcoholic beverages
Sip and Create	Smithsonian Natural History Museum	\$30	Includes lecture with museum experts and artists, 2 alcoholic beverages and snacks
Museum on Tap	City of Gaithersburg/Saints Row Brewing	Free	Drinks and food available for purchase
Late Night: Boos and Brews	National Building Museum	\$20	Includes history stories, exhibits, vendors available for food or drink purchase

Brookside Gardens Winter Light Shows Area Fee Survey

Light Show Hosting Organization	Light Show Name	Location	Start Date	End Date	Fees/Adult	Fees/Youth	Youth Age	Refundable/Weather Policy
Brookside Gardens 2025 Proposed Fees Weeknights	Garden of Ilights	Wheaton, MD	Nov 2025	Jan 2026	\$12.00	\$0.00	0-4	Non-refundable
Brookside Gardens 2025 Proposed Fees Weekends	Garden of Ilights	Wheaton, MD	Nov 2025	Jan 2026	\$15.00	\$0.00	0-4	Non-refundable
Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden	Dominion Energy GardenFest of Lights	Richmond, VA	11/20/23	01/07/24	\$17.00	\$8.00	ages 2 - 12	Non-refundable
Meadowlark Botanical Garden	Meadowlark's Winter Walk of Lights	Vienna, VA	11/10/23	01/07/24	\$24.00	\$10.00	Under 2	Non-refundable
The National Zoo	Zoo Lights at the National Zoo	Washington, DC	11/24/23	12/30/24	\$6.00	\$6.00		Non-refundable, add'l parking fee
Norfolk Botanical Garden	The Dominion Energy Garden of Lights	Norfolk, VA	11/08/24	01/05/25	\$20.00	\$12.00	Ages 3-12	Non-refundable
Montgomery County Fairgrounds	LuminoCity Light Festival	Gaithersburg, MD	11/24/23	01/15/24	\$35.00	\$31.50	ages 2 - 18	Rain or Shine
Winter City Lights (light show only)	Winter City Lights	Olney, MD	11/23/25	12/31/25	\$48.00	\$41.00		Non-refundable
	Other Light Shows	Adult Fee	Youth Fee					
	Average Cost	\$22.13	\$13.56					
	Median Cost	\$17.00	\$8.00					
	High	\$48.00	\$41.00					
	Low	\$6.00	\$0.00					

Park Activation's Parks Academy Series Area Fee Survey

Type of Program	Park Academy Series Proposed Hourly Fee	Jurisdiction		
		City of Gaithersburg Parks, Recreation and Culture	City of Rockville Recreation and Parks	Howard County Recreation & Parks
Fitness and Wellness Programs	\$14.00	\$9.73	\$14.39	\$9.77
Science and Technology Programs	\$35.00	n/a	\$26.25	\$27.00
Music/Dance Based Programs and Instruction	\$18.00	\$8.33	\$25.41	\$9.77
Arts Based Programs and Instruction	\$16.00	\$19.31	\$15.00	\$17.91

Area Museum Group Pricing Survey		
Museum/Historic Site	Educational Field Trips	Group Tours (Adults/non-school groups)
National Capital Trolley Museum, Silver Spring	\$5 pr student + \$50 fee per	private rentals, no group tours
Gadsby's Tavern Museum, Alexandria VA	\$6 per student	\$4 per pers; costumed guide \$5; lantern tours \$6; Groups 10+
Carlyle House Historic Park, Alexandria VA	Free in NOVA; \$5 per student	\$5 per person Groups 10+ people
Frederick Douglass Nat Hist Site, DC	\$10 flat fee	
Harpers Ferry Nat Hist Park, WV	\$10 per adult	
Sandy Spring Slave Museum & African Art Gallery, Sandy Spring	\$5 per student	\$10 per person
Dumbarton House, DC	\$7 per student	\$7/student and 5/chaperone; \$25 non-
Heurich House Museum, DC	Free	\$10 per person 10+ people
President Lincoln's Cottage, DC	Google form to register, no	\$12.50 per person Groups 10+
Tudor Place, DC	flat fee--\$50, 75 or 100	\$10.00 per person 10+ people
Gunston Hall, Lorton VA	\$5-7 per student depending	
Lee Fendall House Museum, Alexandria VA	\$4 per student;\$5	\$5 per person; 10+ people
Octagon House Museum, DC	\$5 per student	\$10 adults 5+ people
International Spy Museum*, DC	\$8 per student; \$11 chap	
Maryland Center for History & Culture, Baltimore	\$125-150/group	\$9 adult; \$7seniors; \$6 children Groups 10+
Reginald F. Lewis Museum of African American History, Baltimore	\$5 per student	\$8 adult; \$6 seniors/children Groups 10+
Baltimore Museum of Industry	\$5.50 -\$8.50 per student depending upon program; Teachers free	\$10 adult; \$7 seniors; \$5.50 students Groups 10+