CHEROKEE RECREATION & PARKS Organizational Chart

Cherokee County Citizens

Board of Commissioners

County Manager

Community Services Agency Director

Recreation & Parks Director

Jay Worley

Recreation & Parks Advisory Board

Jason Nelms, Chair
Mark Preetorious, Vice Chair
Steve Pressley
Terry Meier
Amy Turcotte

Parks
Stephen Shrout

Park is responsible for the maintenance and preservation of our parks and natural resources. Division staff works closely with other divisions, community groups and the public to manage, protect and improve our parks and natural resources; including athletic fields, playgrounds, trails and other park amenities.

Vacant, Parks Manager
Brett Estes, Parks Coordinator
Matt Ellerbee, Equipment Mechanic
Eric Peterson, Turf Specialist
Luis Quinones, Crew Leader
Falyn Tilley, Crew Leader
Paul Mata, Crew Leader
Parks Workers (12)

Administration
Frankie Sanders

Administration is responsible for the planning, administration and coordination of work assignments for the agency's finances, marketing and public relations, registration, training, accreditation, communications, policy administration and office management. Division staff works closely with other divisions to ensure coordination of administrative processes; proper flow of information to the public; and the promotion of programs, parks, and facilities.

Andrea Johnson, Business Manager
Jessica Hallman, Marketing & Community Outreach Coordinator

Facilities
Tom McGerty

Facilities is responsible for the operations and management of indoor recreation facilities including the Cherokee County Aquatic Center, L.B. "Buzz" Ahrens, Jr. Recreation Center, Hickory Flat Gym, The WREC and other indoor facilities. Division staff works directly with public individuals and groups to facilitate the use of the facilities thru open play and facility rentals. Division staff works closely with both Athletics and Recreation Programs to offer programs within the facilities.

Dave Hodge, Aquatics Facilities Manager
Lauren Martin, Aquatics Operations Manager
Vacant, Aquatics Safety & Operations
AJ Sumser, Program Coordinator
Nicole Waldo, Facility Operations Coordinator
Haley Snider, Facility Manager (The WREC & Buzz)
Shelly Bryan, Facility Operations Coordinator
Cam Keehley, Facility Operations Coordinator
Brad Jorden, Facility Maintenance Technician

Athletics
Shawn Schumacher

Athletics is responsible for planning, organizing and implementing programs including youth athletics, adult athletics, tournaments, athletic camps and special events. Division staff works directly with individuals participating in programs; develops and promotes diverse athletic opportunities; and serves as a community resource and liaison for tourament organizers and local youth sports associations.

Leigh Prickett, Athletic Manager
Bill Firnbach, Athletic Coordinator
Lakia Langston, Athletic Coordinator
Morgan Dozier, Athletic Coordinator
Brayden Eidson, Athletic Coordinator
Part Time / Seasonal Staff

Natural Resources
Adam Fussell

Natural Resources is responsible for conserving, preserving, and maintaining the county's natural resources while promoting stewardship of the land and the environment through outdoor recreation programming. Division staff works closely with other divisions, community groups, and the public to manage, protect, and improve our passive parks and trails, as well as, developing and promoting diverse nature based recreational opportunities.

Nick Holt, Outdoor Recreation Coordinator
Ben Byram, Crew Leader
Trey Robinson, Crew Leader
Maintenance Workers (4)

Recreation Programs
Jessica Souls

Recreation Programs is responsible for planning, organizing and implementing programs for children, teens, and adults including instructional classes, fitness, day and specialty camps, special events, senior adults, outdoors and therapeutic recreation. Division staff works directly with individuals participating in programs; and develops and promotes diverse recreational opportunities.

Skyler Cox, Therapeutic Recreation Coordinator
Trisha Capputo, Recreation Coordinator
Janice Brundage, Recreation Coordinator
Part Time / Seasonal Staff

Our Mission

MAKING LIFE BETTER by cultivating active communities through recreation while preserving our parks and facilities.

Our Vision

Cherokee Recreation & Parks, acknowledged as a trend-setting and innovative leader in its field of expertise, offers a diverse array of exceptional public parks, recreation facilities, and programs, making our county the premier destination to visit, live, work and play.

Our Values

I N T R E P I D
Inspiring the community
Noble Stewardship & Sustainability
Improvement through **T**eamwork
Health & **R**eliable Safety
Exceptional Fun & Play
Integrity & **P**rofessional Service

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