



# Recreation

The opportunities for recreation and leisure in Ottawa are immeasurable. No matter what your hobby - family day at the lake, a quiet walk in the park, or the sounds of the ball diamond, you can find it here!

Recreation and leisure activities are offered by many entities in Ottawa. The Ottawa Recreation Commission offers various programs for all ages: sponsored tournaments, leagues, special events, fitness classes and much more. A number of private recreation facilities including Ottawa Nautilus Fitness Center, The Rink, Swim for Life and the Crystal Plaza Movie Theater offer diverse opportunities for the entire family. These entities work together to provide the patrons of Ottawa a well-rounded recreation and leisure experience!

The City of Ottawa boasts more than ninety acres of parks for your enjoyment. Forest Park is home to community events such as the annual Ol' Marais River Run Car Show, Old West Cowboy Days and the Power of the Past Antique Engine and Tractor Show. It is proud to offer a newly remodeled outdoor swimming pool that is open to the public from Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day. Forest Park also offers ball fields, horseshoe pits, tennis courts, picnic shelters, playground areas and much more!

City Park, located adjacent to downtown, is a popular picnic spot offering play areas for the little ones right next to two historic attractions, Dietrich Cabin (built in 1857) and the Carnegie Cultural Center (built in 1903).

Kanza Park has a mile-long walking trail and brand-new 18-hole disc golf course. It is easily accessed by the Prairie Spirit Trail. Heritage Park, Freedom Park and Skateboard Park provide additional recreation possibilities.

Combine these local opportunities with five major lakes less than a 30-minute drive in any direction and you have a community with an abundance of recreational and leisure opportunities. We encourage you to get up and get active!



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