



Mission

Protect and enhance the natural beauty of Monroe through the development of a vibrant system of parks, open space, and trails. Provide citizens of all age's positive recreational opportunities in clean, safe, and accessible recreation facilities. Enhance health, quality living and the natural environment for future generations.

Department Update

Operations

In the month of June, the Parks Operations staff have been busy maintaining the parks for daily users and events. June held baseball tournaments, Miracle League, Pride, and weekly reservations. The crew began working on cleaning up Trombley Park (formerly North Hill) and will continue to do more work throughout the summer. With the warmer temperatures, the crew is working hard to keep the irrigation systems running so plants stay healthy and beautiful throughout the City. The flowers on Main Street and Lewis Street are beginning to take off after a delayed start this year. Fingers crossed they grow to be as gorgeous as last year!



Alyssa maintaining Lake Tye facilities



Before and after at Trombley (formerly North Hill) Park

Monroe Park Board

The Monroe Park Board meeting scheduled for June 16th was cancelled. The next Park Board Meeting will be a workshop held at Blueberry Park and Trombley Park (formerly North Hill Park) on July 21st.

Trombley Park (formerly North Hill) Update

Staff submitted grant applications to the Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO), Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP) Local Parks Program and Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) for the Phase 1 development of the Trombley Neighborhood Park.

The goal of developing Phase 1 is to activate the park for residents with amenities including site preparation and the development of open space play areas, grading, utilities, pathways, parking area, viewing area, and the medium shelter. Completing Phase 1 establishes the infrastructure for the City to fund amenities, such as sports courts, identified in Phase 2. The parcel is located at the southwest intersection of 134th Street SE and 191st Avenue SE, in the City of Monroe.

The total estimated cost for building Phase 1 is approximately \$5,000,000 with full buildout of the project (Phase 1 and 2) estimated at \$10,000,000. The City is requesting the maximum grant amount from LWCF (\$2,000,000) and WWRP (\$500,000) totaling \$2,500,000. If awarded, the City would be responsible for a 50 percent (50%) match or \$2,500,000. The current Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) identifies \$4,000,000 for the development of Trombley Park in 2025.

June Events in Our Parks

Monroe's 2nd Annual Pride Event hosted by Monroe Equity Council on June 12th was a huge success, growing even larger than last year's estimated 700 attendees. Both the Monroe Police Department and the city hosted booths at the event. Attendees came together to celebrate and honor the LGBTQIA+ community and the event wrapped up with a dance party.



Juneteenth Celebration at Sky River Park was held on June 18th where members of our community came together to remember, celebrate, and learn about Juneteenth while enjoying a BBQ and music at Sky River Park. Mayor Geoffrey Thomas, along with Councilmembers Kinney and Scarborough attended the event and Mayor Thomas joined the line up to say a few words. Event organizer Junelle Lewis did an amazing job bringing together the community and local businesses as she strived to educate attendees. The event was featured in the Everett Herald in an article on June 19th titled 'Rainy Juneteenth celebrations in Snohomish, Monroe mark progress'.



City Presence at the Monroe Farmers Market was kicked off by the Parks department at the beginning of the month. This weekly event happens Wednesday from 3-7pm into September. The city will host a booth each week ran by a different department. Parks will be there the first Wednesday of each month. In June, we saw a great turnout from the community. Our staff passed out almost all our event brochures and Parks Department swag, which the kids in our community always enjoy.



Legends Baseball Kaci Edelbrock Memorial Tournament 2022 was held on June 18-19 at the city park ballfields at both Lake Tye and Skykomish River Parks. Parks staff worked very hard to make as many natural surface fields playable for the tournament, in spite of wet weather. The park's synthetic turf fields at Rotary Field and lake Tye Park made a significant impact in the success of the tournament, which draws teams from outside our region. The Kaci Edelbrock Memorial Tournament is a Little League All Stars prep tournament, meant to honor her spirit. Her family has created the Big Hearts, Big Smile foundation <https://www.bigheartbigsmile.org/> to continue her memory and support our Monroe community and families in need. Their mission is to offer a safe place of joy and healing for children and their families who have experienced trauma.

City Parks Unmarked Trails Inspections

In 2017, a weekly maintenance monitoring emphasis by park staff was initiated on unmarked trails at Al Borlin and Sky River Parks to identify and resolve, in cooperation with our Police Department, any unlawful encampments that may occur in City parks. Attached is the comprehensive data from 2019 to the present. The following is a summary of data for the past month:

Locations:

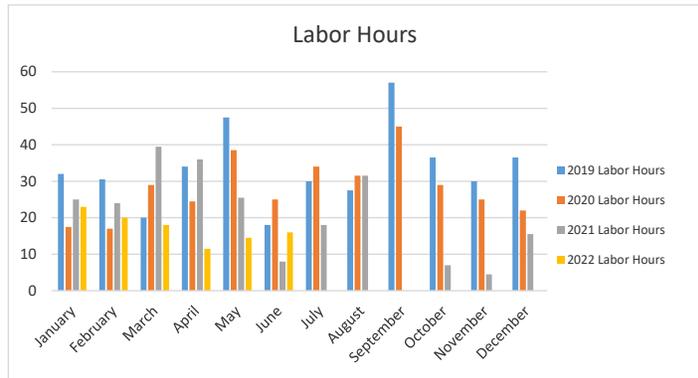
DATE	TOTAL LABOR HOURS	# BAGS OF LITTER COLLECTED	NOTES
6/14	6	6	
6/28	10	13	
Avg.	8	9.5	
			See attached Parks Homeless Response Data 2019- 2022

Volunteer Opportunities

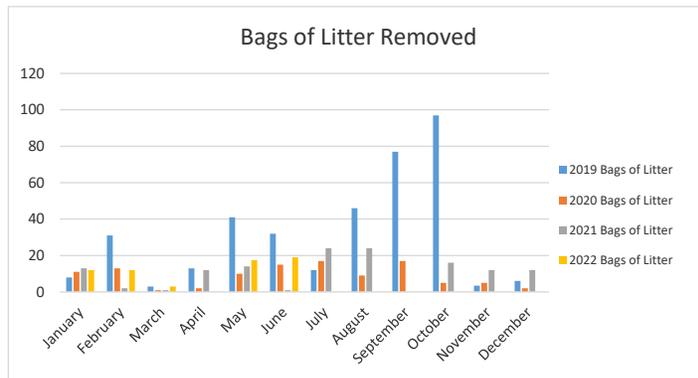
If you are interested in volunteering for the City of Monroe, please contact Makenna Ohlsen at (360) 863-4559. Visit the City website www.monroewa.gov for information on upcoming programs and events.

2019-2022 Park Homelessness Response

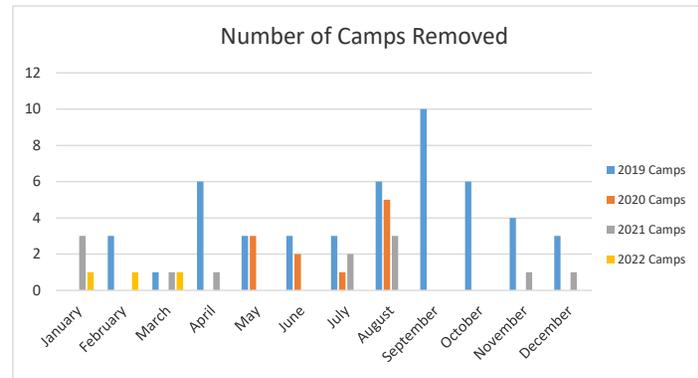
	Labor Hours YTD	Bags of Litter Removed YTD	Camps Removed YTD
Jan-22	23	12	1
Feb-22	20	12	1
Mar-22	18	3	1
Apr-22	11.5	0	0
May-22	14.5	17.5	0
Jun-22	16	19	0
Jul-22			
Aug-22			
Sep-22			
Oct-22			
Nov-22			
Dec-22			
Total 2022	103	63.5	3



	Labor Hours YTD	Bags of Litter Removed YTD	Camps Removed YTD
Jan-21	25	13	3
Feb-21	24	2	0
Mar-21	39.5	1	1
Apr-21	36	12	1
May-21	25.5	14	0
Jun-21	8	1	0
Jul-21	18	24	2
Aug-21	31.5	24	3
Sep-21	0	0	0
Oct-21	7	16	0
Nov-21	4.5	12	1
Dec-21	15.5	12	1
Total 2021	234.5	131	12



	Labor Hours YTD	Bags of Litter Removed YTD	Camps Removed YTD
Jan-20	17.5	11	0
Feb-20	17	13	0
Mar-20	29	1	0
Apr-20	24.5	2	0
May-20	38.5	10	3
Jun-20	25	15	2
Jul-20	34	17	1
Aug-20	31.5	9	5
Sep-20	45	17	0
Oct-20	29	5	0
Nov-20	25	5	0
Dec-20	22	2	0
Total 2020	338	107	11



	Labor Hours YTD	Bags of Litter Removed YTD	Camps Removed YTD
Jan-19	32	8	0
Feb-19	30.5	31	3
Mar-19	20	3	1
Apr-19	34	13	6
May-19	47.5	41	3
Jun-19	18	32	3
Jul-19	30	12	3
Aug-19	27.5	46	6
Sep-19	57	77	10
Oct-19	36.5	97	6
Nov-19	30	3.5	4
Dec-19	36.5	6	3
Total 2019	399.5	369.5	48