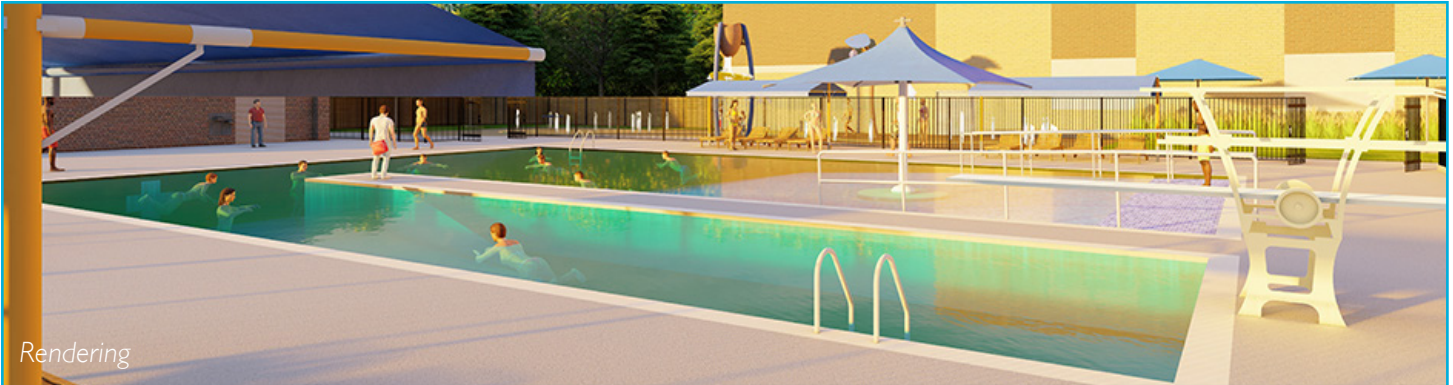




Making Waves and Catching Rays

Riverside to Unveil Pool Improvements Memorial Day Weekend

Get ready to make a splash this summer at the newly renovated Riverside Aquatic Center, previously known as the Riverside Municipal Pool. With its biggest upgrade since original construction in 1998, the remodeled pool will include major improvements and new features for the whole family to enjoy.

The \$3.5 million investment will transform the facility and will feature an expanded pool area to offer plenty of space for swimmers, along with a larger pool deck for additional loungers and shade structures. There is also a new splash play area suited for kids of all ages.

After decades of dutiful service as one of Riverside's favorite amenities, much of the pool's original deck needed to be replaced to improve both safety and aesthetics.

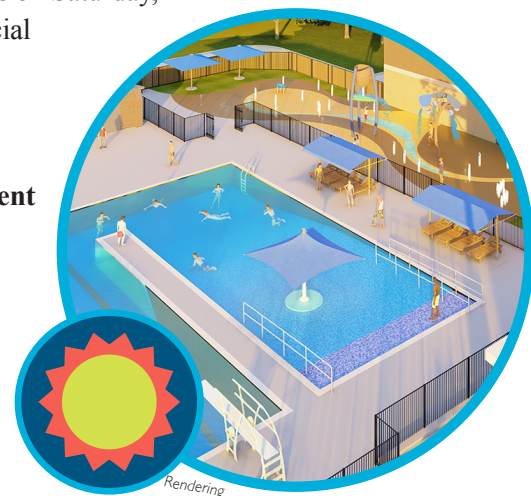
"This particular project has been long overdue, and the public had to patiently wait until construction timelines and needed materials could align," said Mayor Kathy Rose. "Also, we wanted to reduce impact on our summer season!"

Inside private restrooms and shower facilities are being constructed, as well as a new party room to provide a modern venue for group events and celebrations.

Crews are working diligently over the next several weeks to finalize construction before opening day, which is set for Memorial Day Weekend.

"City projects like this provide community health and wellness, family-friendly experiences, youth engagement and learning and an all-around social environment to connect our residents and visitors to the great things we have happening in Riverside," said Mayor Rose. "We're inviting the community to join us on Saturday, May 24, for the official ribbon-cutting."

Follow along on the **City of Riverside, Missouri Government Facebook page** for project updates and sneak peeks of construction progress.



Connecting Our Community

Getting around town on bike and foot just got even easier thanks to a partnership between the cities of Riverside and Kansas City, Missouri, and the Missouri Department of Transportation. A contract to construct the Vivion Road Trail was approved earlier this year. This new trail will connect the Interurban Trail at N.W. St. Joe Boulevard along N.W. Vivion Road to N. Mulberry Drive. Construction started in March and is expected to wrap up in September — just in time to enjoy cooler temperatures and fall foliage.

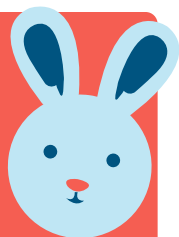


Hop 'Til You Drop

Saturday, April 19
10 a.m.-noon
Renner Brenner Park

Kick off your Easter weekend festivities at the annual Riverside Easter Egg Hunt. Bring your baskets and sharp eyes; there will be 5,000 eggs waiting to be found.

Join us for free lunch, live music, face painting and photo opportunities with the Easter Bunny.



Breaking Down Barriers

Accessible Amenities Coming to Renner Brenner Skatepark



Set to unveil Friday, April 25 with an opening event from 6-8 p.m., the renovated skatepark won't be your typical recreation venue — this unique amenity will be user-friendly for sighted and visually impaired skaters alike.

Designed to be a “flow park,” its features are intentionally spread out, making it easier for visually impaired skaters to view the areas they're about to skate. Stamped concrete, which acts as tactile markers and a safety feature for cane users to identify changes in their path, will also be added along the edges of the park. The stamped concrete will be painted in dark blue — a high visibility color — to help those with low vision see the tops of ramps or when they are about to enter a bowl.

To reimagine the skatepark, the City consulted orientation and mobility therapists and asked local nonprofit founder Blair Messina to join the planning committee. Messina's organization, Wildflower Wellness, helps families who have children with specialized needs access not only basic services such as speech, play and physical therapy, but also activities that help support a more inclusive future.

To increase awareness about the new skatepark features, Wildflower Wellness and the City of Riverside co-hosted “Grind for the Blind,” an event where visually impaired attendees were taught how to skateboard and met with coaches and therapists.

“Riverside has always been a very accessible community and has been great to work with on this project,” Messina said. The event was such a success that Grind for the Blind will be an annual event held in October in recognition of White Cane Awareness Month.



Prepare for Summer in Riverside!

Join us for a Summer Kickoff

May 3, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Riverside Community Center

Jump into a summer of fun at the Riverside Community Center, featuring a free lunch, music and sign-ups for swim lessons, summer pool passes and discounted YMCA Riverside memberships. For more information, call **816-741-4172**.

City Pool Opening

Get ready to make a splash at the newly renovated Riverside Aquatic Center, set to open with a ribbon-cutting event on May 24.

Park Reservations

Equipped with picnic tables and electrical outlets, shelters at Renner Brenner Park and E.H. Young Riverfront Park can accommodate large groups — some up to 100 people! Reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis. For the full rental policy, including fees, and to make reservations, visit **RiversideMo.gov/Rentals**

Trails

Explore all 13 miles of recreational trails around Riverside, including the popular Line Creek, Northwood Road, Missouri Riverfront and Jumping Branch trails. See the full map at **RiversideMo.gov/Trails**

Pickleball

Pick up a new sport — no matter how old you are. E.H. Young Riverfront Park has eight outdoor pickleball courts, well-lit for evenings and open to anyone.

Save the Date: Rolling on the River Bike Ride

Saturday, June 7, 2025

Ride begins at 9 a.m.

E.H. Young Riverfront Park

Mark your calendars for the third annual Rolling on the River bike ride. The route is a 14-mile out-and-back ride that follows the Missouri Riverfront Trail from E.H. Young Park in Riverside to English Landing Park in Parkville. After the ride, Chris Cakes will be serving up flapjacks in the park for those who need to refuel! To register your riders and learn more, visit **platteparks.com/rolling-on-the-river**



The Power of Native Plants

Spring is in full swing, and now is the perfect opportunity to start planting your garden. Consider choosing native plants and see the bountiful benefits:

- Native plants are **naturally suited to thrive in our climate and soil conditions.**
- Their roots absorb water into the soil, retain it, nourish the plant itself and **filter out pollutants.**
- They also attract wildlife and pollinators, helping to sustain and **support our ecosystem.**

Find plants and learn more at **grownative.org**

City-Wide Garage Sale

Friday & Saturday, April 4-5
8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Calling all spring cleaners, furniture flippers and thrift-seekers: It's almost time for Riverside's annual spring garage sale weekend. Whether you're a seller or a shopper, garage sale weekend is a great time to keep unwanted items out of the landfill and give them a new home.





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COMMUNITY CENTER CALENDAR



The YMCA offers fitness classes and league play to YMCA members every week at the Riverside Community Center. The full schedule is available online at RiversideMo.gov

FITNESS CLASSES

Active Older Adult Core

Mon./Wed. 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Advanced Yang 40

Mon./Wed. 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Barre

Tues. 10:15-11 a.m., Wed. 4-4:45 p.m.

Belly Dancing

Mon. 5:15-6 p.m.

Cardio Strength Stretch

Mon./Wed./Fri. 8-9 a.m.

Chair Yoga

Mon./Wed. 12:30-1:15 p.m.

Line Dancing

Mon./Wed./Thurs./Fri. 10-11 a.m.

Line Dancing - Beginner

Tues. 1-2 p.m.

Meditation

Thurs. 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Pickleball (Open Play)

View times on riversidemo.gov

Tai Chi

Mon. 8:30-9:20 a.m., Tues. 9-10 a.m.

Tai Chi - Beginner

Wed. 8:30-9:20 a.m., Thurs. 9-10 a.m.

Tai Chi - Intermediate

Mon./Wed. 9:30-10:20 a.m.

SENIOR DANCES

Open to everyone! 1-3 p.m.

April 10 & 24

May 8 & 29

June 12 & 26

Yoga

Mon./Wed./Fri. 9-9:45 a.m.

Tues. 12-12:45 p.m., 5:15-6 p.m.

Thurs. 11-11:30 a.m.

Zumba

Tues./Thurs. 8-9 a.m.

Mon./Wed. 6-7 p.m.