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[Springfield, IL] – In compliance with Governor Pritzker’s Stay At Home Order the following amenities will remain closed until further notice: indoor facilities, playgrounds, Henson Robinson Zoo, golf courses, skate park, FitLot, dog park, and park restrooms.

HOWEVER, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO STAY ACTIVE BY VISITING ONE OF YOUR LOCAL PARKS!  
Greenspace, parks and trails continue to remain open and residents are encouraged to use them as places to stay healthy, enjoy some fresh air, walking, hiking, running, and some overall wellness, provided visitors observe the following safety tips:

- Do not use parks or trails if you are displaying symptoms  
- Follow CDC’s guidelines on personal hygiene before visiting parks or trails  
- Observe CDC’s minimum recommended social distancing of 6 feet from other persons  
- Do not gather in crowds of any size

TIPS TO AVOID HIGH USE AREAS!
Washington, Lincoln and Southwind Parks have become very busy which can make social distancing more challenging.

Fortunately, the Springfield Park District boasts 38 parks and 4 bike and hike trails! In an effort to reduce traffic in high use areas, we would like to encourage and challenge you and your family to visit a new park each time you venture out. If you arrive at a park, greenspace or trail and it appears crowded and your ability to practice social distancing may be compromised, be flexible and willing to move to the next closest park on the map provided.
Lastly, starting this weekend April 4th & 5th and each Saturday and Sunday moving forward, Washington Park will be closed to vehicular traffic. We ask that visitors observe the parking spaces near the large Picnic Shelter (playground area) as handicap accessible spaces for patrons with disabilities and mobility issues. Additional parking is available at the Tennis Center and Rose Garden lots. We hope these measures will help reduce congestion and aid in the safety of visitors as they enjoy the park for recreation, health and wellness. See the map provided for the modified loop for Washington Park.

We continue to urge everyone to keep abreast of the latest public health information via the CDC website at www.cdc.gov, Illinois Department of Public Health and the Sangamon County Health Department.

Please visit [www.springfieldpark.org](http://www.springfieldpark.org) for up to date information on the Springfield Park District.
DOWNLOAD our Park District App for a quick list and locations to our Parks & Trails. See something that needs our attention? ...then click on Report an Issue to GPS pin the problem location and send a direct message to our Park District Maintenance Department!