



News Release

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Public Engagement Opportunity set to gather input into future of Hillcrest Community Center

TOPEKA, KAN. – On May 5 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Shawnee County Parks + Recreation representatives will be on-hand at Dick's Sporting Goods at SW Huntoon and Wanamaker to share displays that may help transform Hillcrest Community Center to serve the entire Shawnee County public. The public is invited to give their input on displays showing amenities ranging from an indoor walking/running track to indoor climbing walls, indoor and outdoor climbing courses to virtual reality rooms.

The displays were first introduced to the public March 24 during the Project Forward event held at Hillcrest Park. Park patrons were given color-coded dots broken out by age group to place on pictures of the amenities they would like to see in the community center in the future.

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Shawnee County Parks + Recreation includes nearly 60 miles of trails, 2,625 acres of parks and 320 annual days of sporting activities. In addition, the department offers recreation programs, educational programs and golf. A combination of tax dollars, user fees and private donations enables Shawnee County Parks + Recreation to offer parks, sporting and aquatic facilities with state-of-the-art features, and beautiful, nationally recognized gardens.

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