

# **Camp Frances Educational And Recreational Center**

## **Vision Statement**

### Vision

To enrich the lives of all community residents and visitors by securing and maintaining a outdoor educational and recreational facility and providing high quality, safe, and fun, outdoor educational and recreational experiences, services and events.

### Mission

The Camp Frances Educational and Recreational Facility will provide a high quality, safe and secure facility for environmental education and recreation programs and activities. The facility will serve to enrich the quality of life for all of the residents and visitors to Bennett Park.

### Value Statement

- The Camp Frances Board is a dedicated and proactive team of individuals striving, in partnership with the community, to promote environmental educational opportunities while maintaining a facility suitable for this purpose.
- The historical social and recreational aspect of the facility will be maintained and use of the camp will be governed by established guidelines on a priority basis.
- We promote local participation, communication, cooperation, loyalty, and support for Camp Frances and strive to adhere to a code of values exhibiting honesty, dependability, and trust while upholding a professional demeanor.
- The Board takes pride in providing a well-maintained facility in the hopes of encouraging programs that are progressive in nature while promoting environmental and social benefits for all citizens.
- We recognize that "safety first" is of utmost importance.
- We strive to be progressive in our efforts to accommodate requests and suggestions in a receptive, timely, and sensitive manner.
- Diverse and varied range of experiences and recreational opportunities for all ages, ethnicities, and types of users is encouraged.

### Goals

#### **Enhance the Visual Distinctiveness and Attractiveness of the Facility**

- Schedule seasonal repairs to building as necessary for long term ease of use and aesthetic appeal.
- Promote regular maintenance and update of appliances and utilities.
- Improve area lighting to promote safety and security.
- Schedule regular inspections of water and electrical systems.

- Replace broken or worn equipment, appliances, kitchenware, and other items as needed.

### **Promote Improvements to Environmental, Social, and Recreation Programs.**

- Develop an educational network of facility users with an emphasis on outdoor environmental education.
- Connect with public and civic community groups and organizational for enhancement of activities suitable for the camp.
- Explore options for facility use with a focus on an educational and/or recreational theme.

### **Develop Support Associations**

- Promote adoption of Camp Frances for routine financial support among community civic organizations.
- Connect with public and private school organizations for outreach programming.
- Continue to pursue outside grant funding for Camp.
- Enhance media attention to Camp and activities at the facility.

### **Improve Diversity of Facility Uses**

- Explore a feasibility of regularly scheduled educational and recreational sessions appropriate to environment and season.
- Continue long term goals relating to expansion of facility.