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GREENVILLE COUNTY REC EARNS NATIONAL ACCREDITATION
One of only 150 nationwide to earn CAPRA distinction

Greenville County proudly announces that Greenville County Rec has earned the prestigious CAPRA accreditation. This honor secures County Rec's position as one of America's elite Parks and Recreation Departments.

"We are now one of about 150 agencies out of a total of more than 10,000 public parks and recreation agencies to achieve this distinction," said Gene Smith, Director, County Rec.

CAPRA accreditation is the only national accreditation for park and recreation agencies, and is a measure of an agency's overall quality of operation, management and service to the community.

"This mark of distinction indicates that our Parks, Recreation and Tourism Department has met rigorous standards related to the management and administration of lands, facilities, resources, programs, safety and services," says Joe Kernell, Greenville County Administrator. "This national accreditation confirms what we know: Greenville County's Recreation Department is one of the finest in the nation."

As part of this rigorous and extensive accreditation process, Greenville County Rec had to demonstrate compliance with 144 recognized standards and document all policies and procedures.

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“The process itself helped us to identify efficiencies and heighten areas of accountability,” adds Smith. “All of which translate into higher quality service and operation to benefit our community.”

Along with the intensive self-assessments, County Rec also submitted a formal application, hosted a site visit by a team of trained visitors, and participated in a hearing with the distinguished CAPRA commission.

“All of us at County Rec are proud to be a strong and integral part of what makes Greenville County such a wonderful place,” concludes Smith.

The agency must uphold the standards and is reviewed again in five years. For more information about CAPRA accreditation, visit www.nrpa.org/CAPRA.

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