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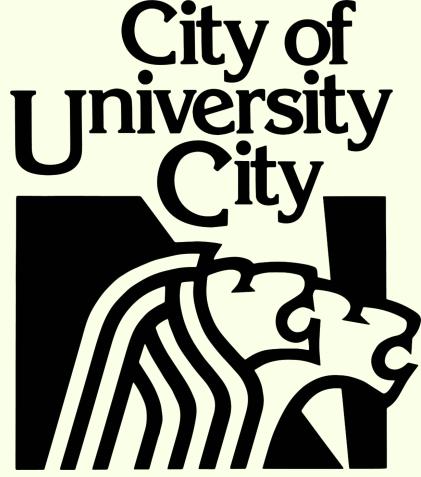
U City Community Update

March 14, 2025



Service Spotlight: Department of Sanitation

Good news for University City residents! Effective March 11, 2025, you will no longer need to purchase yard waste stickers for yard waste collection. This change comes after the City Council's approval of a new ordinance at its March 10 meeting. Stay tuned for more information regarding University City's Sticker Buyback Program!



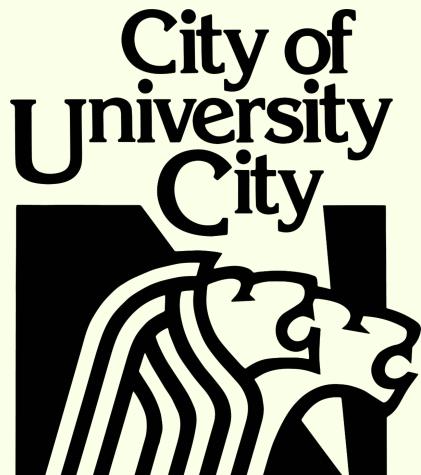
Residents can now place yard waste at the curb following standard collection guidelines without the added step of purchasing stickers. For more information on yard waste collection, contact (314) 505-8560.

As of March 10th, 2025

**Yard Waste
Stickers
Are No
Longer
Required!**



For more information, contact (314) 505-8560



Finance Focus:
Department of Finance Updates

Upcoming Changes to Solid Waste Refuse
Rates – Effective April 1, 2025



University City to Implement Solid Waste Refuse Rate Increases Starting April 1, 2025

The University City Council has approved Bill 9565, which will introduce an 8.4% increase in solid waste refuse rates effective April 1, 2025. This change ensures the continued quality of waste collection services while addressing increasing operational costs. Beginning in March 2026, rates will also see an annual 3% increase based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

New Refuse Collection Rates (Effective April 1, 2025)

Residents and businesses should take note of the following updated rates:

- Single-family & two-family units (curb pickup, 90-gallon cart): \$19.50/month
- Single-family & two-family units (senior rate, 60-gallon cart): \$16.50/month
- Single-family & two-family units (alley mechanical box pickup): \$22.10/month
- Single-family & two-family units (senior rate, alley mechanical box pickup): \$18.67/month
- Multi-family (3+ units, curb pickup, 90-gallon cart): \$20.65/unit
- Multi-family (3+ units, alley mechanical box pickup): \$17.60/unit
- Multi-family (3+ units, mechanical box pickup & waste reduction): \$12.10/unit
- Public & private institutions: Rates determined based on service needs

Why the Increase?

The Solid Waste Rate Study Task Force recommended the increase after a detailed analysis of the city's waste collection costs. The additional revenue will help cover:

- ✓ Rising disposal and operational expenses
- ✓ Infrastructure upgrades for waste management
- ✓ Compliance with environmental regulations

What This Means for Residents & Businesses

Customers should review their utility bills and plan for the updated charges. Those looking to manage costs may consider waste reduction and recycling programs.



Green Scene: Department of Parks, Recreation, and Public Areas Maintenance Updates

University City's Spring Leaf Collection is upon us! Residents are reminded to prepare their yard waste properly to ensure a smooth collection process.



Important Guidelines:

- Only leaves will be collected—please do not include gumballs, branches, or other yard debris.
- Leaves must be raked and placed curbside by Sunday evening prior to your scheduled collection week.

Collection Schedule:

West Area: Monday, March 10

East Area: Monday, March 17

Central Area: Monday, March 24

For questions about your area's collection schedule, please contact the Parks, Recreation, and Public Area Maintenance Department at (314) 505-8573.

Stay informed and help keep University City clean this spring!



Protect & Serve: Public Safety Updates

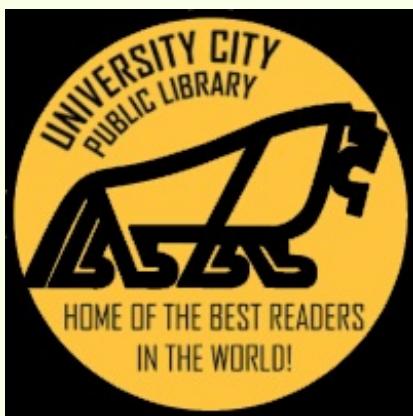
Detective Daur Nodari of the University City Police Department (UCPD) most recently delivered an informative Active Aggressor Response Training to the staff of Christ the King. The session included a detailed PowerPoint presentation, providing essential safety strategies. Prior to the training, Detective Nodari also conducted a security assessment of their new pre-K building to enhance preparedness measures.



With approximately 30 attendees, the training was well-received and ran smoothly. UCPD offers free active aggressor training and security audits to schools, religious institutions, and businesses throughout University City.

To schedule a session, stakeholders can contact Police Chief Larry Hampton at (314) 505-8659.

All verbal and written threats to commit harm at schools will be taken seriously and investigated fully by law enforcement. Perpetrators can face felony charges.



Beyond The Books: University City Library Updates

Join us for the U. City Student Art Extravaganza March 12th through March 18th, a showcase of incredible artwork created by our talented student artists!

This year's featured artwork is by UCHS student Paulina Cervantes Meza. Don't miss this opportunity to support young artists and experience the creative spirit of University City!

U. CITY STUDENT ART EXTRAVAGANZA

MARCH 12 - APRIL 18

Enjoy the creativity and inspiration of the talented young artists in U. City at our annual District Art Show!

The exhibit will be on display to the public from **March 12 - April 18** at the **University City Public Library** (6701 Delmar Blvd.)

Join us for a special kickoff reception on March 12 at the library from 4:00 - 5:00 pm. Light refreshments will be served.



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**artwork by UCHS student
Paulina Cervantes Meza*



Fitness & Fun Spotlight:
Centennial Commons Recreation Center

Ongoing and upcoming events hosted by Centennial Commons Rec Center.

SENIORS 60+

JOIN US FOR

LAUGHTER,
LUNCH AND
BINGO



11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

THURSDAY
MARCH 27
2025

HEMAN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER,
975 PENNSYLVANIA

***EVENT FEE: \$5 PER PERSON
MIN: 25 MAX: 100**

Doors Open – 10:45 am

Lunch Served – 11:00 am Bingo Begins at 12:00 pm

Get ready to laugh, lunch, shout "BINGO!" and win some
prizes at this "come and have some fun" event

Phone registration REQUIRED

BINGO BOARDS AVAILABLE (no personal boards allowed)

REGISTRATION BEGINS Monday, March 3rd

FOR PHONE REGISTRATION OR MORE INFORMATION,
CONTACT CENTENNIAL COMMONS 314.505.8625



2025 FITNESS CLASSES

SPRING SESSION

March 10 - May 3

No class: Tuesday April 8th (Election Day)

Drop in fees for all classes: M: \$7, R: \$8, NR: \$9

Total Body & Tone

Mondays & Wednesdays

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

M: \$60, R: \$65, NR: \$70

Min: 12, Max: 20

Zumba

Mondays

6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

M: \$45, R: \$50, NR: \$55

Min: 8, Max: 20

Stretchercize

Tuesdays

9:30 AM - 10:30 AM

M: \$50, R: \$55, NR: \$60

Min: 10, Max: 20

Tai Chi

Thursdays

10:00 AM - 11:00 PM

M: \$45, R: \$50, NR: \$55

Min: 10, Max: 20

Slow Flow Yoga

Saturdays

9:30 AM - 10:30 AM

M: \$60, R: \$65, NR: \$70

Min: 8, Max: 20

Slide & Line Dancing

Saturdays

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

M: \$35, R: \$40, NR: \$45

Min: 8, Max: 20

All classes will be held at Centennial Commons, 7210 Olive Blvd. To register, visit us during our business hours.

In order to receive resident rates, you must present your occupancy permit.

M-F: 5:30 AM - 9:00 PM

SAT: 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM

SUN: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

For more information: 314.505.8625





2025 HEMAN PARK SWIMMING POOL SUMMER FUN PASS

U CITY SUMMER FUN PASSES are NOW on sale. This pass offers unlimited entry to the Heman Park Swimming Pool

(during the pool season) from May 24th to September 1st

Purchase your pass by or before May 23 and you are invited to our Members Only VIP pre-opening pool celebration on Friday, May 23, 2025 from 5:00 – 8:00 pm

Admission:		
HEMAN PARK POOL		
<small>Admission is limited to any individual (age 14+) with a "Summer Fun Pass" or a resident or nonresident recreation ID card. Memberships and ID cards may be purchased at the Centennial Commons Control Desk (Photo ID required) and are available to both residents and nonresidents.</small>		
Resident	Daily *	1 Month
Youth (17 and under)	\$5.00	\$11.00
Adult	\$8.00	\$20.00
Senior (60+)	\$5.00	\$12.00
Senior Couple**	\$21.00	\$44.00
Family	\$34.00	\$136.00
Non-Resident	Daily *	1 Month
Youth (17 and under)	\$7.00	\$17.00
Adult	\$9.00	\$23.00
Senior (60+)	\$7.00	\$21.00
Senior Couple**	\$30.00	\$120.00
Family***	\$40.00	\$160.00

*Must purchase recreation ID card/Resident - \$5.00; Nonresident - \$7.00 (good one year from purchase); No daily rate for Senior Couple or Family
Both individuals must be 60 or older *Limited to 4 Additional \$2/person - all same household

For those who qualify for free memberships through SilverSneakers and RenewActive, memberships remain active as long as your insurance is accepted by SilverSneakers and RenewActive

For residents - To be added to a family membership, please ensure your U City occupancy permit has been updated to include all immediate family members who reside in your home. [Learn more at ucitymo.org/OccupancyPermit](http://ucitymo.org/OccupancyPermit) or call 314.505.8500

For more information, contact Centennial Commons, 314.505.8625

CENTENNIAL COMMONS SUMMER FUN FACILITY HOURS

MAY 24 – SEPTEMBER 1

Mon.-Fri. 5:30 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Sat., 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Sun., 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.

HEMAN PARK POOL FACILITY

Pool Season May 24 – Sept. 1

Daily Lap Swim: 6 a.m. – 9 a.m. and Open Swim: Noon – 8 p.m.

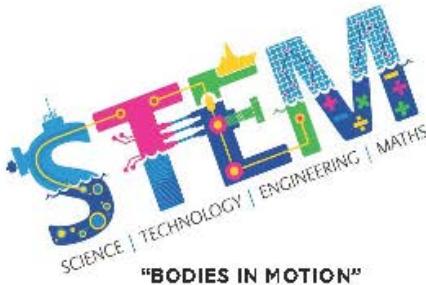
Back to school hours begin Aug. 18

Daily Lap Swim: 6 a.m. – 9 a.m. and Open Swim: 4 p.m. – 8 p.m. M-F

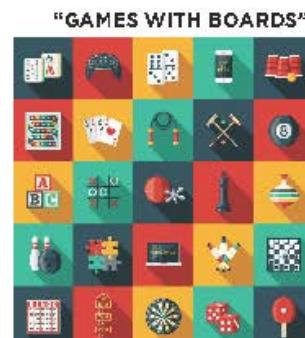
Weekends/Holidays – Open Swim: Noon - 8 p.m.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

Residents and Nonresidents can purchase a Summer Fun Pass at Centennial Commons during regular business hours (Photo ID required). Those without a Summer Fun Pass can access the facility with the purchase of a recreation ID card and a daily admission fee (rates vary). [Visit ucitymo.org/RecreationFacilities](http://ucitymo.org/RecreationFacilities) or call 314.505.8625 for more info and for daily rates. Youth ages 12 & under **MUST** be accompanied by a parent/authorized guardian/caregiver who is 18 yrs or older and remain with the youth throughout the entire visit.



2025 SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM





UNIVERSITY CITY RESIDENT YOUTH (AGES 5-12) WHO HAVE COMPLETED KINDERGARTEN-5TH GRADE CAN "EXPAND THEIR KNOWLEDGE THROUGH PLAY" IN OUR 2025 CENTCOM UNIVERSITY - SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM HELD FROM 9AM - 3PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY.

*PROGRAM DATES: MONDAY, JUNE 9 - FRIDAY, AUGUST 1

PROGRAM LOCATION: HEMAN PARK CENTENNIAL COMMONS, 7210 OLIVE BLVD.

(*NO PROGRAM 6/19, 7/4)

OUR SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM ACTIVITIES INCLUDE (BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO): RECREATIONAL SWIMMING, SPORTS, "GAMES WITH BOARDS", S.T.E.M, HORTICULTURE, GOLF, "BODIES IN MOTION", CREATIVE/FINE ARTS, LIFE SKILLS, SPECIAL EVENTS AND MUCH MORE!

FIELD TRIPS ARE ALSO PART OF THE PROGRAM AND PARTICIPANTS WILL TAKE SEVERAL AGE-APPROPRIATE TRIPS BY BUS AND BOTH THE FIELD TRIP FEE AND PROGRAM T-SHIRT ARE INCLUDED IN YOUR REGISTRATION.

FEE: \$700/CHILD

(MAX. 50 PARTICIPANTS - "FIRST COME/FIRST SERVED" - LIMITED TO U CITY RESIDENTS ONLY)

**REGISTER AT CENTENNIAL COMMONS
7210 OLIVE BLVD**

REGISTER BEGINNING AT 9 AM FEB. 10 - UNTIL APRIL 12

PLEASE NOTE:

**THIS PROGRAM IS OPEN TO UNIVERSITY CITY RESIDENTS ONLY
AND ALL OF THE FOLLOWING MUST BE PRESENTED AT
REGISTRATION:**

- ORIGINAL COPY OF CHILD'S BIRTH CERTIFICATE
- PHOTO ID OF PARENT/GUARDIAN (GUARDIAN MUST PRESENT PROOF OF GUARDIANSHIP IF NOT CUSTODIAL PARENT)
- COPY OF UNIVERSITY CITY OCCUPANCY PERMIT (WITH CHILD LISTED)

QUESTIONS:

CONTACT RECREATION SUPERVISOR, MERRIC MEEHAN 314.505.8613



2025 SUMMER SIGN UP SPECTACULAR

ALL PARTICIPANTS RECEIVE:

Use of age-appropriate equipment. FREE uniform. FREE admission to off-field events. FREE Cardinal-themed rewards for kids. Schnucks Healthy Eating Program/Rewards. U City Public Library Summer Reading Program/Rewards. Redbird Rookies Nite at Busch Stadium. 7th graders earn a chance to win the Redbird Rookies Saigh Scholarship and much more!

REMEMBER PARENTS!
We will "NEED COACHES!"
REGISTER AT:
redbirdrookies.org



For more info, contact Centennial Commons,
314.505.8625



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Transform the Life of Every Student Every Day!



Online registration required at: redbirdrookies.org

Register:
Now - March 29*

Please note:
Any registration made after March 29 will not be guaranteed 2025 equipment or attire.
No exceptions*

FREE T-BALL, BASEBALL & SOFTBALL
PROGRAM FOR U CITY YOUTH AGES 5-13

For Summer 2025

Come Play Competitive Summer League
Baseball/Softball for Middle/High School
youth ages 14-18

New to the "U" and We Want You!



The Cardinals Nike RBI League

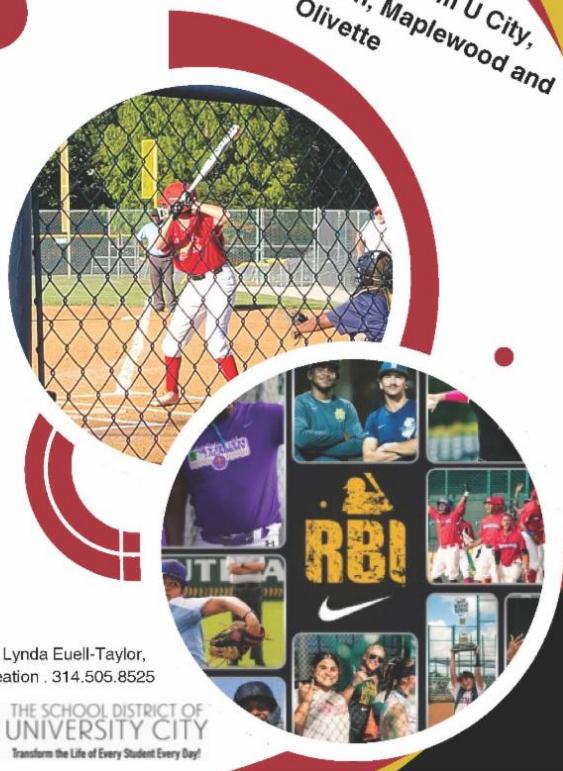
- ✓ FREE Baseball/Softball program for teens aged 14-18 interested in playing at a competitive level over June & July 2 teams 14-15U & 16-18U
- ✓ Will develop players who exemplify teamwork, sportsmanship and work hard while having fun
- ✓ Each team will play up to **sixteen (16)** games (including two (2) local tournaments (weather permitting)
- ✓ Use of indoor practice facility for pre-season training, conditioning, instruction, & player evaluations
- ✓ **FREE** Nike home & away uniform jerseys, Nike pro style pants, matching belt and hat

Register Now - March 29
cardinals.com/rbi

Contact Information
Centennial Commons, Lynda Euell-Taylor,
Deputy Director, Recreation . 314.505.8525



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How to Sign Up

- Visit the City of University City's website.
- Click the Emergency Notifications

UPCOMING EVENTS



UCPD Hiring Event

Sat., Mar 15 @ 8:30 a.m.

Spring Leaf Collection-East Area

Mon., Mar 17

Senior Commission Meeting

Mon., Mar 17 @ 6:00 p.m.

Parks Commission Meeting

Tue., Mar 18 @ 6:30 p.m.

Non-Traffic Court

Wed., Mar 19 @ 6:00 p.m.

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button to access CodeRED enrollment information.

[U City events here](#)

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