

## B. Existing Program Inventory

The City of Beacon operates recreation programs within the city limits. In addition, there are over a dozen other programs offered by a variety of groups, including Scenic Hudson, the Beacon City School District, and several other non-profit organizations.

The City of Beacon Recreation Department offers an array of recreation programs that seeks to meet the needs of its diverse community. For the purpose of this inventory assessment, programming of the department is grouped in the following categories: Clubs & Organizations, Community Outreach, Faith Based Organizations, Festivals & Events, Programmed Classes, and Sports.

Following is a brief description of each program category provided by City or an alternative service provider within the City of Beacon.

### Program Categories

**Clubs & Organizations** – A variety of clubs and organizations sponsor events and programs for Beacon residents from the Beacon City School District Parent Teacher Organizations (PTO's) at each of the elementary schools, to the Sargent Downing Community Gardens and youth scout troops. Many organizations sponsor and co-sponsor events with the Beacon Recreation Department.

**Community Outreach** – The city and many alternative service providers offer a variety of community outreach programs throughout the city. From community benefit events through the American Red Cross and Salvation Army to environmental advocacy through the Hudson River Sloop Clearwater and the Conservation Advisory Committee, a variety of programs are offered to enhance the quality of life for Beacon's residents. Programs and activities in healthy lifestyles, wellness, and advocacy are presented to meet that objective, as well as to provide a socialization avenue for residents of Beacon.

**Faith Based Organizations** – Beacon is home to a variety of faith based organizations which provide a variety of programs, events, and festivals at their respective facilities.

**Festivals & Events** - Both City-produced and co-sponsored festivals and events offer diverse cultural and recreational experiences to citizens and visitors while providing a strong economic impact on the region . City produced festivals work to support the local community through involvement in several other ways including: input to the operations of the events themselves; direct involvement along the lines of providing opportunity for local artists/exhibitors and non-profit organizations; consideration of local businesses; and minimizing negative impact to the local community .

**Programmed Classes** - A variety of programs for all ages are provided in classes that include fitness, enrichment, and sport programs. In addition, informal activities such as arts and crafts, after-school programs, and senior exercise classes are offered in city buildings, schools, and parks throughout the city.

**Sports** - Sports programming for youth and adults is provided in baseball, basketball, cheerleading, disc golf, football, soccer, and softball. Softball is provided for adults 35 and over. Youth sports opportunities are available through Department programs as well as youth sports organizations that utilize the parks and schools in City for their league activities.

**Clubs & Organizations**

Boy Scouts Beacon Pack 3001  
Girl Scouts Beacon  
J.V. Forrestal Elementary PTO  
Lesuer Club meetings  
Navigators

Relatives As Parents Program (RAPP)  
Meetings  
Sargent Downing Gardens  
Sargent Elementary PTO  
South Ave Elementary PTO

**Community Outreach**

American Red Cross  
ARF Rabies Clinic  
Beacon Mutual Aid  
Beacon Nutrition Advisory Committee  
CCEDC Green Teen  
Conservation Advisory Committee  
Dog Training with Leroy  
Hudson River Sloop Clearwater

Human Relations Commission  
Meetings  
Mason’s Community Xmas party  
Open Arms Saturday Food Pantry  
Recreation Committee Meetings  
Salvation Army  
Wee Play Community Project

**Faith Based Organizations**

Beacon Hebrew Alliance  
Christ Church United Methodist  
Faith Temple  
First Presbyterian Church  
Masjid Ar Rashid

Saint Andrew/Luke Episcopal  
Salem Tabernacle  
St Joachim Church  
Star of Bethlehem Baptist Church  
Tabernacle of Christ Church

**Festivals & Events**

4th Of July Fireworks  
Antalek Softball Tournament  
Arbor Day  
ARF 5K Run  
BAP Events  
BCSD Kindergarten Block Party  
Beacon Sloop Club  
Beacon Sloop Club  
City-Wide Yard Sale  
Club Draw Picnic  
Compass Arts Summer Shows  
Dutchess County Senior Picnic  
Earth Day Cleanup

Easter at Memorial Pak  
Goodfellas Softball Tournament  
Guns & Hoses Softball Tournament  
Hits For Hope Softball Tournament  
HRCBF  
Hudson Valley Volleyball Tournaments  
I Am Beacon 5K  
I Am Beacon Back To School Event  
Rock Out For Mental Health Festival  
South Ave Community Cookout  
Special Olympics-Annual Meet  
Story Screen Drive In  
Tree Lighting

**Programmed Classes**

After School Programs (JV Forrestal Elementary, Sargent Elementary, South Ave. Elementary)  
Aqua Zumba  
Beacon Boulder Project  
Camp @ the Camp  
Community Drum Circle  
Dutchess BOCES GED Class  
Dutchess County Division of Aging Services

DXF Fitness Class  
Multi-Sport Camp  
Sunday Painters class  
Tai Chi class  
The Beacon Pool  
Thursday Painters  
Youth Swim Lessons  
Youth Tennis Clinic

**Sports**

BCSD Baseball and Softball  
Beacon Bears Cheerleading  
Beacon Bears Youth Football  
Beacon Disc Golf  
Beacon Girls Softball  
Beacon HOOPS  
Beacon Junior Baseball  
Beacon Youth Soccer  
Men's Over 35 Softball  
Men's Winter Basketball  
RAMPS at Memorial Park Skate Park  
Women's Summer Softball