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In response to the declared City emergency brought on by the COVID-19 virus pandemic, San Francisco Recreation & Park Department has closed all its public recreation facilities in support of public health advice to decrease public assembly. With the concomitant temporary closure of the SF Unified School District and the childcare hardship that school closure imposes on working parents, we are opening 37 of our public recreation facilities to serve as emergency childcare facilities. These emergency centers will provide childcare for parents in the following categories:

- ✚ SF Department of Public Health staff
- ✚ Hospital workers from any public or private hospital in San Francisco
- ✚ City employees who have been activated as Disaster Service Workers
- ✚ Low-income working families

In partnership with SF Public Libraries (SFPL) and SF Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF), our childcare model is the following:

- ✚ Children ages K through 5th grade – SF Recreation & Park
- ✚ Youth ages 6th grade through 12th grade – SFPL (all branch library locations)
- ✚ All food and beverage to be provided by DCYF

For RPD, our planning process entailed the following:

- ✚ Assessed each of our facilities to determine feasibility, reviewed number of rooms, programmable spaces, and number of amenities (including kitchens, restrooms, drinking fountains, outdoor play structures)
- ✚ Determined capacity using existing Fire Marshall guidelines and knowledge of current program offerings at each site
- ✚ Explored staff-to-child ratios and determined a ratio of 1:8 to be the most appropriate alignment with Public Health mandates
- ✚ Examined current programming and existing materials, supplies, and equipment and selected sites that had existing children and youth programming
- ✚ Reviewed current staffing to determine those most qualified to provide programming for K-8 cohort
- ✚ Using social distancing metrics, we are establishing capacities of 50 children at our large recreation centers and 25 children at our smaller clubhouse locations.

Outreach communication is being sent to the above targeted population with information and a link on how to register for the site of choice. In addition, drop-in registration will be accepted on site, up to maximum capacity for the site.

