

Philadelphia Department of Parks and Recreation

OPERATIONAL IMPERATIVES

As one outcome of our extensive community engagement, several essential standards to which our daily activities must aspire and adhere have been identified. These imperatives are as follows:

- **SAFETY**
All of our facilities, trail, parks and other amenities must be physically safe but also feel safe to all participants and staff.
- **CLEAN, ATTRACTIVE AND FULLY FUNCTIONAL FACILITIES**
Our buildings, fields and parks, along with all of our other public assets, must be clean and welcoming. All assets must also be maintained in optimum condition for ready use by individuals and groups.
- **PROGRAMS FOR ALL**
While we will make significant investments in youth development programming, it is incumbent upon us to provide enriching, relevant and accessible activities for people of all ages and interests.
- **CARE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT**
With the new department responsible for 13% of Philadelphia's land mass, it is of the utmost importance to the city's present and future that we take the appropriate actions to preserve and sustain the city's green space. This holds true for the large wooded areas of the parkland as well as for neighborhood parks and playgrounds.