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Renovation of the Conejo Recreation and Park District's Alex Fiore Thousand Oaks Teen Center and Goebel Adult Community Center is set to begin.

The City of Thousand Oaks and the Conejo Recreation and Park District have a long history of cooperative relationships between the two agencies for the benefit of the entire community. For over 30 years, one of the more successful relationships between the City and District has been the partnership at the Alex Fiore Teen Center and Goebel Adult Community Center. The District owns the land, the City constructed, owns, and maintains the improvements, and the District operates the facilities.

The Teen Center's existing outdoor area will be transformed into the best backyard in town with multi-use court, seating areas, skate plaza, gathering areas, outdoor stage, shade structures, and various outdoor recreational features. The Adult Center's rear area will be renovated with perimeter paving at the existing horseshoe pit area, and a new shaded rubber-surfaced fitness area. Interior areas at both centers include renovating the existing restrooms, various rooms with tenant improvements such as flooring and Teen kitchen renovation. "Very excited! We can't wait for it to be done," said Logan Bourg, Teen Advisory Council Member Volunteer. "More than 15,000 kids participate in District programs throughout the year," continued Logan, "the community needs to maintain and improve the recreational opportunities for our youth in order to keep them safe, active, and involved". Added Steve Smith, Goebel Senior Center Commission President, "the improvements at the Adult Center are very important to our 170,000 annual patrons at the center. The enhancements will provide added recreational activities opportunities to keep us both physically and mentally healthy."

The Park District could not do it alone - the City provided a \$3,000,000 grant towards the approximate \$4,300,000 price tag with the District providing project management and the \$1,300,000 balance through a deferred maintenance and operations grant with the State of California. "The City and State of California have been tremendous partners in the process," stated Conejo Recreation and Park District Chair Nellie Cusworth, "the grants support the District's goals of providing safe spaces for children to learn and grow and seniors to congregate, and much more. We are forever grateful to the City and the State."

To celebrate the renovation of Conejo Recreation and Park District's Alex Fiore Thousand Oaks Teen Center and Goebel Adult Community Center, the District will hold a ground-breaking open to the public with food and fun from 11:00am to 1:00pm on Saturday, January 22, 2022.

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