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DATE 2-7-23 ITEM NO. RA48

1. OPPOSED

2. UN-OPPOSED





**From:** [Cody Rutschman](#)  
**To:** [NRPR Fees](#)  
**Subject:** "NO" to new and increased fees to use parks  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 4:42:56 PM

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Hello,

My children utilize county parks for soccer practice and games. I oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games.

Thank you,

Cody Rutschman



**From:** Jitender & Shweta Munjal  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** "NO" to new and increased fees to use the parks.  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 10:36:41 PM

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Dear County Official,

We are residents and tax payers of Pima County and are writing today to oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Many soccer families like ours are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong. We strongly oppose the increase in park fees.

Please reconsider.

Best  
Shweta Munjal


**From:** Anna Michell  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** "No" to raising fees for lights  
**Date:** Monday, March 14, 2022 9:04:23 PM

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I oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Many soccer families, myself included, are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when our community is desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors, a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

Thank you,  
Anna Mitchell



**From:** Desi Rosenfield  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Additional fees for soccer fields  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:37:21 PM

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To whom it may concern

Our kids have had two very tough years and for many of them playing sports has been the only way they have been able to feel normal. Given the Pandemic and the economic fall out, we respectfully request that you rethink increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. So many students cannot afford to play sports and an increase in fees, which this would precipitate, would make things even more difficult for those of us that are struggling to keep things going.

This is a time to be encouraging our kids to spend time with their friends, doing something healthy instead of being inside on technology. A raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised.

Thank you for your consideration.

Desi Rosenfield

**From:** Clint Davis  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Additional Light Fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:33:29 PM

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To whom it may concern -

It has come to our attention that the county intends to increase light fees to use county parks at night in the coming months.

One thing that kept many of us active and happy over the past two years of pandemic is outdoor youth sports. With all inside activities clamped down, sports like soccer kept kids moving and families motivated.

The costs to keep the lights on is already something that many families have a hard time with today and increased fees for youth sports will likely push some families beyond their means.

Please consider dropping the proposed increases for lights and other fees.

Clint Davis

**From:** Claudia Gray  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Against fee increase  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:27:03 PM

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We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games.



**From:** Ryan Clare  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Club Fees Increasing  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 6:31:33 PM

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Good evening

I was informed today that my children's soccer fees will be increasing due to you raising the fee the club is already paying. I see this as wrong and insulting. I am very upset that my kids won't be apart of this club with increasing costs. I work 2 jobs to pay for my kids to be apart of this amazing club. Increased fees means that they won't be playing next year. Please don't increase the costs for lighting and do the right thing for our kids

Ryan Clare

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Bill Leith  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Comments--Fee Increase Proposal  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 9, 2022 9:32:53 PM

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Good day.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed fee structure for Pima County Parks.

Kino Baseball League since 2009 is a major user of the baseball facilities, both through PCNR and at the Kino Sports Complex and Kino Stadium. During this 13 year period the Kino Baseball League has paid out over \$700K in field and light fees to the county. When it comes to baseball field use in Pima County Kino Baseball is probably the biggest and most consistent user.


I will comment on is that since 2009 we have received outstanding cooperation, assistance and support from the administrative staffs at PCNR and at the Kino Sports Complex, along with the wonderful field crews who have not missed a beat with us along the way.

Regarding the fee proposal--very simple comment:

**TIMING:** The timing of this fee proposal is not prudent at this point in time due to the current rapid inflation rate and now the spiraling out of control gas prices that have put a dent into disposable income that families have had to have their child play a sport. Now we want to add \$4.00 hour fee to the cost for families that has to trickle down as part of their child's registration fee? It may not seem like a lot on the surface, but everybody has been hit with food, gas, building material, etc. cost increases that the one outlet that families have is the park system and to add fee increases to use public parks that taxpayers already pay into is not a good look at this time.

I would highly recommend holding this off until 2023.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment  
Bill Leith, Kino Baseball League



**From:** Jacquelyn Eyrich  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** County fee increase  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:13:10 PM

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To whom it may concern,

As a family of two youth soccer players, I can tell you that the proposed county field increase will dramatically affect each and every family just trying to get by.

With drastic increases for the cost of food, rent, gas, groceries, clothes, and everything else, the increase of county fields will make our soccer fees go up tremendously. We want to keep our kids active and in sports, but if the fees go up anymore, then we may not be able to afford soccer anymore, as will a lot of other families as well. Please reconsider this drastic increase, and think about the families that it affects.

Thanks for your time.

**From:** Martin Douglas  
**To:** NRPB Fees  
**Subject:** County fees  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 9, 2022 5:33:57 PM

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I am writing to respectfully request to NOT raise the cost of the soccer fields. The players do not have enough space at times to practice now. If you raise the price, the club will have to raise prices. Some parents are struggling to make ends meet already. This increase may force them to choose between allowing their son/daughter to play soccer or put food on their table. To allow these players to continue to learn about sportsmanship, team environment, achieve player development and continue to play the game they love, I ask that you do NOT raise the cost of the fields.

Respectfully,  
Martin

Sent from Mail for Windows

**From:** Jordan Garrett  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** County Field Fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 9:00:49 PM

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My family strongly opposes the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games.

Jordan Garrett

**From:** Luis Ruiz  
**To:** NRPB Fees  
**Subject:** County fields potential fees increase  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:38:31 PM

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Hello,

I wanted to voice my personal situation regarding the potential County fields fees increase for youth soccer teams.

FC Tucson Youth program already informed us that they will need to increase club dues because of this. If this happens I will have no other choice but to remove my son from the club because we will no longer be able to afford the club fees.

I ask to please reconsider so we can keep our kids in sports.

Thank you,

Luis Ruiz  


**From:** [peter.shokry](#)  
**To:** [NRPB\\_Fees](#)  
**Subject:** County parks fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:42:17 PM

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Respectfully,  
Peter

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

**From:** Amos Savir-Banuch  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** County Proposing to increase Field Usage Fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:27:42 PM

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Hi,

Both of our boys play for FC Tucson, and on top of the club fees (which the club is making a huge effort to minimize), we need to pay for tournaments and travel.

We oppose the county increasing the fees for FTCY for using county parks for training and games.

We expect the county to support youth sports and their parents as we go through those hard times and try to get back to normal life.

Thanks,  
Amos.



**From:** Veronica Nelson  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** County Proposing to increase Field Usage Fees  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 10:37:42 AM

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Hello,

I wanted to voice my opinion over the increasing field fees for youth sports  
I oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs that use county parks for training and games.

Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and electronics and back outdoors, a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-timed. We all pay taxes so we can have parks in our city and this "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong, and I don't think we should have to pay anything to use the facilities that are already there for residents to use.

This pandemic has caused disruption in routines and social isolation for our children, which can cause anxiety and depression and can have implications for mental health later in life. If the county was to increase fees for fields we/and other families would not be able to send our children to club soccer. This pandemic has also significantly reduced many people's budgets and anything extra right now, simply is not affordable to many families.

Thank you,

Nelson Family from FC Tucson Youth



**From:** Laura Thomas  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Do not increase fees for soccer clubs using county parks!  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 7:09:44 AM

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I strongly oppose Pima county's proposal to increase and add new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees. The timing of this fee increase is terrible. Since the beginning of the COVID pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors. This is a physical and mental health release for our youth. Raising fees 50% will prohibit many parents from being able to have their children participate in youth sports. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

Sincerely,

Laura Scaramella

Pima County Resident and parent to 2 soccer players who regularly use the soccer fields

Sent from Mail for Windows

**From:** STEPHANIE GUSTAVSSON  
**To:** NRPB Fees  
**Subject:** Do not raise youth sport club fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:36:19 PM

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We **STRONGLY** oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games!

We currently have two children enrolled in both recreational and competitive teams for FC Tucson and it's already expensive the way it is.

Please do not raise these fees as it negatively affect so many Tucson children.

Thank you for your time and consideration

- soccer parents  
Stephanie Gustavsson  
Alex Chaffon

**From:** La Turco, Steven  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Double Tax  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 5:13:45 PM

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**To whom it may concern,**

**My community of soccer families oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Currently getting kids out of their house, off their phones, and interacting with other peers is so critical to proper child development. Increasing these fees makes it harder for clubs to keep the cost down, thus the cost have to be shared amongst the families who participate, limiting the number of kids who get to play. This increase also lowers the number of kids participating thus making the pool of participants only those who can afford it, thus the gap get bigger and bigger due to SES levels. Please reconsider this proposal.**

Respectfully,

*Steven R. La Turco*  
*Principal Manzo Elementary School*

**From:** Mona Rodríguez  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** encourages sport  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 12:27:56 AM

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**From:** J Baro  
**To:** NRRR Fees  
**Subject:** Fc tucson fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 14, 2022 5:32:15 PM

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**From:** CINTHYA O'NEIL  
**To:** NRPE Fees  
**Subject:** FC Tucson mother observation.  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 7:05:55 PM

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Dear NRPE FEES-Pima -

Hello, as a mother of one of the many kids-youths who use Rillito and Brandi Fenton Parks I would like to address a current on-going concern.

As a local city resident who is current with taxes and government fees I would like to inform you that I'm against the new fee increase for the use of the fields. We already contribute to the fields when paying our monthly fee along with FC Soccer who already contributes with \$73000 a year for the use of the park fields. If there will be an increase because of "lights" I suggest you to go "SOLAR" and stop hurting the communities finance. The current economic situation is not what it was before COVID and it's not only local it's all around the world.

Please be conscious and help the citizens who are not causing accidents nor violence in our city. Encourage them and do t set barriers instead set them for success.

V/R

Cinthy O'Neil, M. Ed.

**From:** [joe.fennell](#)  
**To:** [NRPB\\_Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Fee hike  
**Date:** Monday, March 21, 2022 10:25:24 AM

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At a time when everything is going up in price from food to gas, I think now isn't the time to raise fees for recreational activities as well. How are we supposed to afford all these price hikes? Our dollars can only be stretched so far!

Sent from my iPhone



**From:** [Kim Kenworthy](#)  
**To:** [NRPP Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Fee increase for county field rentals  
**Date:** Thursday, March 10, 2022 11:45:03 AM

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Hello,

Please don't increase the soccer field rental costs. It will affect fees for youth soccer players and some families can barely afford it right now. Sports are such a great outlet for kids.

Thank you,  
Kim Kenworthy

**From:** karen davenport  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Fee increase for county parks- soccer fields  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 11:38:03 PM

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To Who It May Concern,

I was saddened to hear that you plan a big increase in fees to FC Tucson for the use of soccer fields for training. It is a stretch to pay the club fees as it is and I feel this substantial increase could cause a large number of our families to leave the program. This would be an increase of over 30%. Typical raises at jobs are 1-3%. That is a large discrepancy.

Please reconsider the increase.

Karen Davenport  
Mother of a soccer player, age 12.

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Shawn Foster  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Fee Increase  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 10:14:13 AM

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We strongly oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games!

Sports shouldn't just be for those that can afford it, sports should be for everyone!

Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

Shawn Foster

**From:** [shawnkfoster](#)  
**To:** [NRPR Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Fee increase  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 10:13:00 AM

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Shawn Foster

**From:** [Ina Marose](#)  
**To:** [NRPR Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Fee Increase  
**Date:** Monday, February 28, 2022 2:44:39 PM

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I am opposed to fee hikes right now because this inflation is hurting those who use the parks and recreational areas the most. Wrong time to hike the fees! Ina Marose

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Fee Increase  
**Date:** Monday, March 14, 2022 12:34:11 PM

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Why isn't that included in the property taxes? What does Pima County do with the property taxes collected?

Where can I find a pie of Expenditures and taxes collected for the last three years?

**From:** Dana Hook  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Fee Increases for County Facilities  
**Date:** Monday, February 28, 2022 3:36:39 PM

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I wanted to share my comments on the possibility of fee increases on the county facilities.

- 1) Pima County does a better than average job of including many communities in their planning. We have a high percentage of Native Americans and our County has recognized that the land that we all live on today were inhabited by many peoples before. Allowing for residents who are part of the Native American communities to have free access and lower fees in recognition of this information would be an important part of re-evaluating fees.
- 2) In general we have many people who dedicate their lives to not-for-profit organizations and this allows our county to be thriving and reflecting our values. Having a tiered system for those with lower incomes would be important in the fee setting.
- 3) Allowing for volunteer, additional fees as well as a higher than average top tier for those that can pay more, would help offset the lower fees/No fees for others.
- 4) All of these require trusting of those that choose what level they should be paying is a value that I hope Pima County aspires to achieve.

Keeping our spaces accessible to all of our residents is important to me.

Thank you,  
Dana

Sent from my iPhone  
Dana C. Hook



**From:** [shawnfoster](#)  
**To:** [NRPR Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Fee Opposition For Soccer  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 10:10:36 AM

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Shawn Foster



**From:** [paul.bailey](#)  
**To:** [NRPR Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Fee proposal feedback  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:41:33 PM

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Dear Pima County,

My family strongly opposes the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. We are residents who pay taxes already and expect to be able to use the fields for which we already pay.

Please do NOT increase the fees for these sports clubs!

Sincerely,  
Paul Bailey

**From:** [tami.ballinger](#)  
**To:** [NRPR\\_Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Fees concern  
**Date:** Saturday, March 12, 2022 11:29:50 AM

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To whom it may concern:

It has been brought to my attention that the Roble Ranch Community Community may start charging for their services. This is a concern to me since this is a real concern for us out here in this community. Many of the people out here are on fixed incomes incomes or are barely making it with our incomes as it is. Charging for the services at the community center will cause a negative impact for many of us out here. The services offered by the community center is one thing our children can do and enjoy themselves at this time without being a financial burden on the parents. I have my children go there after school and during the summer so they don't have to stay-at-home alone because unfortunately I cannot afford day care. I am not the only one who is in this situation and I feel if you guys start charging it'll take from the children out here in the community. The numbers are already so low at the community center I could not imagine how they would be once you started charging your services. I just feel that if you start charging for your services there will be a lot of kids who will be stuck at home alone while their parents are at work and this would just be so unfortunate for those children. Out here in 3 points it is a very low income community and taking this would only be unfortunate for the children. I think you should be considered charging a fee for children to be able to continue going to the community center after school and during the summer break. Thank you!

**From:** Jia Hu  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** fees for Rillito and Brandi Fenton  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 6:13:29 PM

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Dear Pima County

Our family is opposed to the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs that use county parks for training and games. Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and increasing fees would only increase the financial burden. After almost two years of COVID, it is imperative that we continue to offer our kids organized sports, both for their mental and physical health.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best,

Jia Hu



**From:** Betty Jo Hensley  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Fees  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 8:54:52 AM

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To whom it may concern,

I oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. I can barely afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors, a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

Thank you in advance,

Betty Jo Hensley

**From:** Jaime Sotomayor  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Fees  
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I strongly oppose the raising of fees for youth soccer clubs. I don't even have a good feeling that those fees would even be spent on improving the fields. We already pay the highest taxes in the state and now the county wants to increase our fees for having our kids play soccer.

This pandemic has only taught us that we need to improve our health and the best way is for our kids to stay active. Keeping them Active also keeps them out of trouble. Many families won't be able to afford to have their kids play club soccer which will Only lead to issues that can cause potential issues for the county elsewhere.

Jaime

Sent from my iPhone

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We strongly oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games!

Sports shouldn't just be for those that can afford it, sports should be for everyone!

Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

Nicole Foster

**From:** Brandy Marshall  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Fees  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 1, 2022 5:20:55 PM

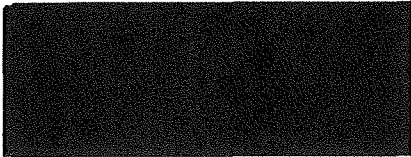
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Hello,

As a Youth Non Profit that is already struggling, I am very upset that these fees are being proposed. We are NON PROFIT- which means that the costs of the league- including fields/lights, is already what a majority of our registrations go towards. Covid hit us super hard and now raising the fees is frustrating.

***Brandy Marshall***  
***Vice President***  
***Tucson & SE Valley Phoenix***



**From:** Adita Bruno  
**To:** NRPB Fees  
**Subject:** Fees  
**Date:** Monday, February 28, 2022 4:09:55 PM

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I personally can appreciate the increase in cost to maintain the parks , etc in our community. However, our property taxes are going up , gas and food , HOA 's and utilities. We are retired and living on a fixed income to raise more prices especially after being so confined these past 2 years because of Covid only will isolate my age group even more. The parks, provide a relaxing and enjoying venue. Is there any other way to maintain without raises prices.

Thank you for excepting my comment.



Sent from my iPhone





**From:** Todd Garelick  
**To:** NRPP Fees  
**Subject:** Fees  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 23, 2022 5:33:54 PM

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Good evening

I wanted to reach out regarding the new imposition of fees for fields. This will have a significant impact on our clubs and our families. Please consider the long-term effects of this.

Thank you

Todd

**From:** Misty Atkins  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** fees  
**Date:** Monday, February 28, 2022 3:41:38 PM

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In a perfect world, taxes would cover fees for these things. Arizona lawmakers and voters continually choose tax cuts over public funding. What choice do you have but to raise the fees. Unfortunately, it will leave some people and families out, but apparently, that's what people want. The other shoe drops when we don't fund infrastructure.  
Misty Atkins

**From:** Robert  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** FEES  
**Date:** Friday, March 25, 2022 3:41:14 PM

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The proposed fees discriminate against people on fixed incomes and those who have low paying jobs.

Taxes are already at record high rates.

I am against raising fees for Pima County services!!!

**From:** Melody Myrand  
**To:** NBPR Fees  
**Subject:** Fees--A comment  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 16, 2022 1:27:47 PM

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I am very concerned about any fees charging children to use facilities. Families must make choices about their budgets and children need these experiences. Please reconsider charging children any fees at all so that they, too, may have access. Thank you.

Melody Myrand

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** NRPS Fees  
**Subject:** Field concerns  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 6:51:23 PM

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We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games!

**From:** Gina Nickerson  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Field Fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 4:59:01 PM

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To whom it concerns:

We strongly oppose an increase to field fees for youth sports clubs. Families participating in these clubs are already paying an enormous amount of money towards field fees. I fear that this increase would put a significant burden on families during an already tough economic period.

The county should consider the use of these fields as an investment in their community, an investment in their youth! It is already a disgrace to have out of town teams see the lame condition of our local fields. Poor management of the money we already pay does not constitute an increase, it constitutes an AUDIT!

I would love to see these fields sponsored by big businesses that understand the importance of youth sports and would like to invest in it locally. Please consider other avenues before making such a crippling decision.

Taxpayer, mother and advocate,

--Gina Nickerson

**From:** Pam Williamson  
**To:** NRPB Fees  
**Subject:** Field rate increase  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 9, 2022 7:35:23 PM

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To whom it may concern:

We have recently been notified that there is a plan to increase soccer field rental rates. Please note that increasing costs will only be filtered down to individual players and their families. This will not be viable for many families as we all know. I heard today that 64% of families are living paycheck to paycheck. Any additional financial outlay would not be possible. We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games." Since the beginning of the pandemic, participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and participating in an activity, a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

Kind Regards,  
Pam Williamson

**From:** alexis.valdez  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Field usage fees  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 7:25:35 AM

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Good morning-

I received a letter from my children's soccer club informing us that the county is seeking to increase the cost of utilizing the park lights at our practice fields. The timing of this couldn't have been worse, as their father and I were just trying to figure out how we could continue to afford the fees we already pay so our children don't become TikTok addicted couch potatoes. An increase to the youth sports clubs will be passed on to the parents, and the financial burden will become more than some families, including mine, will be able to bear. This, in turn, will have a detrimental impact on a bunch of kids who are just emerging from the most difficult years of their lives.

I understand that the cost of using the fields cannot remain the same forever but, as said before: the timing is terrible.

Please reconsider and try to hold off on this increase until we parents have had a chance to get firmly back on our feet from the pandemic.

Thank you for your time.



**From:** Tom and Candy Crohurst  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Cc:** Len Altieri; "Sungem"  
**Subject:** FW: Region AYSO 206 ( Northwest Tucson ) response to the " Proposed Amendments to Natural Resources Parks and Recreation Fee Schedule "  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 22, 2022 3:18:46 PM  
**Attachments:** 03-20-22 2022 Field Use Fee Increase Impact to AYSO 206.xlsx

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03/22/22

Mr. Jan Leshner and the Pima County Board of Supervisors:

This email is written on behalf of AYSO Region 206 ( Northwest Tucson ) in response to the " Proposed Amendments to Natural Resources Parks and Recreation Fee Schedule " .

The February 3, 2022 Memorandum to the Pima County Board of Supervisors from Jan Lester notes that NRPR will host publicized virtual open house sessions to receive input on the " Proposed Amendments to Natural Resources Parks and Recreation Fee Schedule. " Would you please add our Regional Commissioner for AYSO 206, Mr. Zeno Pfau [REDACTED] and myself ( [REDACTED] the Assistant Regional Commissioner and Fields Coordinator for AYSO 206, to the list for the virtual open house sessions ?

We are attaching an Excel spread sheet to show the impact to AYSO 206 on the proposed fee schedule versus our costs for our 2021 Fall Season. This analysis is based on the assumption that we will use the same number of hours of field time and light time for the 2022 Fall Season as we did in 2021 Fall Season.

The attached spreadsheet shows:

1. We have broken down the hours of field use for weekday practices and Saturday games with hours based upon the final Pima County 2021 field permits for the ten ( 10 ) fields under permit with AYSO 206.
2. We have also broken down the hours of light use based upon the 2021 MUSCO reports for the AYSO 206 Fall Season.

Our analysis shows that the proposed fee changes will double our current field use/light use budget from \$ 4,524 to \$ 9,764 or a 116 % increase. We understand the need to charge for field use to non-profits and for profit organizations. We would hope that this process would make it more financially feasible for Pima County to develop more recreational fields for the community in the future.

Additionally, would you please clarify when the proposed rates would take effect ? We ask that you consider a phased field use fee such as \$ 2/hour in 2023 and another \$2/hour in 2024. If a fee increase is approved, please consider the rates taking affect at the second quarter of 2023. This

would allow leagues to adjust their budgets and player fees to take into account any fee increases.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of the above information in your decision on the proposed amendment to the Natural Resources Parks and Recreation fee schedule.

Zeno Pfau  
AYSO 206  
Regional Commissioner

H. Thomas Crohurst  
AYSO 206  
Assistant Regional Commissioner  
Fields Coordinator

**From:** Ted Schmidt  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Fwd: Pima County seeks public comment on proposed fees for Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation facilities and programs  
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The \$75,000 On behalf of the FC Tucson Youth soccer club, the largest youth soccer club in Southern Arizona and largest user of Pima County sports fields, we oppose the County's proposed user fee.

We already pay the County \$75,000 a year for lights so we can actually use the parks after school, is one of our largest expenses, an expense paid from fees collected from our families.

We are a nonprofit and not a penny of the money we raise is spent that doesn't bring value to the programs we provide for thousands of Pima County kids. We run a tournament that is second only to the Shootout and brings in thousands of out-of-town guests, boosting the Pima County economy.

Additionally, FCTY spends \$100,000 a year in need-based financial aid/scholarships to documented low-income families who could not play without this assistance. No Pima County child is turned away from our program for financial reasons. The \$35,000 a year user fee that NRPR wants to assess against us easily represents the financial assistance we provide to at least 25 families.

I think that we are basically dealing with a philosophical difference of opinion between NRPR and most all of its constituents. As you point out, taxpayers bear the largest burden on the electrical costs. As they should. The users of Pima County parks are all taxpayers and expect that one of the reasons they pay taxes is so they can have properly maintained parks and fields where they can recreate. When we go to a park, we don't expect to pay another "tax" in the way of user fees or even light fees for that matter. We pay taxes so we can have these things. Parks should not be profit centers for the County.

Beyond that philosophical difference, NRPR could not have possibly picked a worse time to make this proposal. We have an obesity epidemic among the youth in Pima County. I can send you the statistics. This is a bad situation getting worse due to the pandemic and the failure of thousands of kids to re-engage with their sports and outdoor recreation teams. While virtually all youth sports have been back in action for a year or more and restrictions have been lifted, a huge number of kids remain on the couch.

<https://www.aspenprojectplay.org/youth-sports/facts/participation>

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## Youth Sports Facts: Participation Rates — The Aspen Institute Project Play

At the launch of Project  
Play in 2013, the United  
States government  
produced limited data on  
sport participation and  
[www.aspenprojectplay.org](http://www.aspenprojectplay.org)

<https://www.latimes.com/california/newsletter/2021-12-06/kids-are-losing-interest-in-team-sports-community-athletics-have-shrunk-why-that-matters-8-to-3>

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## Kids are losing interest in organized sports. Why that matters - Los Angeles Times

This is the Dec. 6, 2021,  
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28% of kids lose  
interest in playing  
sports since

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Absolutely incorrect. We pay \$75,000 a year in light fees to NRPR and more to Kino. Our parents are not misinformed. Parents pay these light fees which are a huge part of our budget.

This is where your comparison to Oro Valley and Marana fail. Their charge is a combined fee for lights and the fields. Surely you aren't proposing that Pima County eliminate the huge light fees in place of a "modest" field charge to be commensurate with Oro Valley, or are you?

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Thanks Ted. Several comments I have received from parents of club participants are under the impression that they pay enough field use fees to Pima County. I have responded to a couple indicating all the fees they pay FC Tucson remain with FC Tucson and Pima County receives \$0.00. Based on these comments can I assume FC Tucson does not inform parents that none of the club fees they pay FC Tucson are paid to Pima County for field use? I will make sure when we provide our virtual forums to educate these parents on the reality that none of their club fees go to Pima County for field maintenance.

A few comments also remarked how much better county fields were than City fields.

I also looked on Guidestar.org to review your latest 990 Form however the latest year available was the year ending 5/31/2019. Do you know when the next year's return will be posted? I noticed your gross receipts are approximately \$2 million.

Robert

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I should clarify.

We charge a tournament fee to every team that plays in our Fall tournament regardless of what club the team plays for, including our own club teams. Any profit from our tournament helps fund the scholarship/financial aid we provide to low-income families. Competitive teams will choose other tournaments to compete in throughout the year and any monies paid for that of course go to whomever is running the tournament.

We do not charge travel fees or any other organizational fees to our players.

Competitive teams have paid coaches.

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For competitive teams yes.

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Ted,

Thank you for this information. Does FC Tucson Youth charge for tournament fees, coaching fees, travel fees and any other related organizational fees not included in the amounts below?

Robert

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Robert,

Here is our current fee schedule. Obviously if a proposed increase in fees becomes a reality these numbers will change.

**U7-U12 (2015 to 2012)**

**Preacademy**

U7 and U8 players --

practice 2x a week 7 month season

Registration is \$150

Uniform is \$80

Club Fees are \$420 -- (\$60 a month)

**U9-U10 players -- (2013-2012)**

practice 3x a week -- 9 month season

Registration is \$150 -- can apply for financial assistance

Uniform is \$80

Club Fees are \$800 per year

**U11-U12players (2011 to 2010) --**

practice 3x a week -- 9 month season

Registration is \$250 (field set up costs, more lights, ref. costs)

Uniform is \$165

Club fees are \$900 a year

**U13 and above (2009 to 2003)**

Competitive --

U13-U14 -- (2009 to 2008) practice 3 x a week -- 9 month season

Registration is \$250

Uniform is \$165

Club fees are \$ 1,000 per year

**U15 and older (2007 to 2003)--**

practice 3x a week -- 7 month season

Registration is \$250

Uniform is \$165

Club fees are \$770 (club fees are \$110 a month)

You also should know that we provided \$105,000 in financial assistance to families who demonstrated an inability to afford to play otherwise, just this season alone. If this new fee is enacted likely 20 or more families will lose this financial assistance.

Let me know if you need anything more from me.

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Ted,

Len forwarded me your email to provide a response.

The public comment period is open for 60 days. We would like comments no later than April 30, 2022. Once the comment period is over we will have two virtual meetings for those that want to voice their support or opposition to the proposed fees. We haven't announced the dates of the two virtual meetings but they should occur in May and June 2022 timeframe. The NRPR department puts forth the recommendation to the Pima County Natural Resources Advisory Commission (NRPRAC) for review/approval. The proposed fee schedule was on the December 10, 2021 NRPRAC agenda. This was discussed at the meeting and unanimously approved. I did notice you did not attend the December 10, 2021 however the agenda was sent out prior to the meeting and no comments were received by you. Nevertheless, we have decided to reach out to the public for comments/suggestions on our proposed fee schedule amendments. We will review all public feedback and if necessary we will adjust our proposed fee adjustments accordingly. I plan on going back to the NRPRAC with results of our public outreach efforts at the July 8, 2022 meeting and if modifications have been made to the fee schedule will request approval of the revised fee schedule.

The primary purpose of the fee field use fee is field optimization. As you are aware we have two league representative meetings per year where field allocation is requested by the various leagues. We assign field allocation based on league size/enrollment numbers. We have heard on numerous occasions from other league representatives that X league is not using their allocated field space. This is also evident when we do unannounced field audits and fields sit empty when per the field allocation should be in use. By enacting a modest fee it will empower leagues to surrender field use they are not utilizing making it available to other users. We have more field use requests than we have availability. We are constantly turning away youth softball, club baseball, lacrosse, rugby, flag football, etc. requests due to lack of available fields. This modest fee will benefit organizations or individual teams looking for additional field space. I also want to share that for the past several months I have been speaking with the City of Tucson Parks and Recreation regarding our intent to



impose a field use fee. They agreed and already had plans to go before Mayor and Council this spring with a similar field use fee proposal. We want to ensure that the two largest municipalities have similar fees for field use so as not to compete with each other.

The second reason is cost recovery. As you are aware we currently receive zero fees for field use by our youth organizations. The ball fields are living breathing assets. Our average cost to maintain one ball field is approximately \$36,304.13. The cost per field includes labor, water, fertilizer, pesticide, soil amendments, sod, top dressing, irrigation repairs, aeration, dragging, mowing, edging, painting lines, etc. Over the past several years we have spent quite a bit of time focusing on the quality and health of the playing surface. For those multi-use fields used by our soccer leagues it has been necessary to buy sod to install in high use areas. In 2018, your organization was generous to donate funds to install sod at Brandi Fenton and Rillito. The field use fee will help offset a portion of the maintenance costs. For the dad that wants to go out on Sunday morning and toss the ball with his son, there is no fee as this incidental use is covered by the property taxes he pays. However, for leagues that utilize the ball fields every day is more than incidental use and as primary users should pay a nominal fee to offset maintenance.

I hope this answers your questions. If not feel free to email or call me.  
Robert

**From:** Len Altieri <Len.Altieri@pima.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:06 AM  
**To:** Robert Padilla <Robert.Padilla@pima.gov>; Joe Barr <Joe.Barr@pima.gov>; Ron Odell <Ron.Odell@pima.gov>  
**Cc:** Martina Gonzales <Martina.Gonzales@pima.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: FW: Pima County seeks public comment on proposed fees for Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation facilities and programs

Robert,

I received this from Ted Schmidt.

How should we respond back to Ted?

Len

**From:** Ted Schmidt <tschmidt@azinjurylaw.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 2, 2022 6:27 PM  
**To:** Len Altieri <Len.Altieri@pima.gov>  
**Cc:** Cosgrove, Dave [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: FW: Pima County seeks public comment on proposed fees for Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation facilities and programs

Hi Len,

Thanks for sending this to us. In the future please copy me as well as Dave on this topic.

I have a few questions.

What is the deadline for submitting our written input? Will there be a hearing? Will there be an opportunity to speak in person on this? Who will be involved in making the decision and what criteria will be applied? What are the factors you will look to?

When will this be addressed by the NRPR Commission? Surely you should have the input from that Commission before making this decision.

I would also like to know how the proposed fees were calculated. How did you come up with these numbers?

Thanks again for the heads up on this and I look forward to learning more of the process. Best, Ted

Ted Schmidt  
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**From:** Dave Cosgrove [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 02, 2022 1:54 PM  
**To:** Ted Schmidt <[tschmidt@azinjurylaw.com](mailto:tschmidt@azinjurylaw.com)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: FW: Pima County seeks public comment on proposed fees for Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation facilities and programs

Ted,

Could you address this.

I have added some bullet points.

FC Tucson, as one of the primary and biggest users of fields, this fee would be a significant expense. It would be over \$12,000 a year for our non profit youth club to absorb.

As it is FC Tucson fundraises over \$75,000 a year to help youth soccer players of every age, level, and gender participate in soccer.

Additionally, FC Tucson has partnered with NRPR in the past to pay for field maintenance(over \$30,000), equipment and field development(over \$50,000)

FC Tucson has shared the fields when asked and accommodated almost all of the requests made by NRPR.

FC Tucson communicates in a timely manner and has a very good working relationship with NRPR.

FC Tucson would oppose this fee.

Thanks,

David Cosgrove  
FC Tucson Youth Director of Coaching

Pima College Head Men's Soccer Coach  
2021 NJCAA National Champions  
2018 NJCAA National Champions  
2021 2018 NJCAA National Coach of the Year  
2013 NJCAA Hall of Fame



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From: Len Altieri <Len.Altieri@pima.gov>

Date: Tue, Mar 1, 2022 at 5:08 PM

Subject: FW: Pima County seeks public comment on proposed fees for Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation facilities and programs

To:

To all league representatives, individual teams coaches and representatives and school administrators,

I would like to make you aware of a new proposed fee for Pima County Natural Resources Parks and Recreation (NRPR). This is a field use fee for youth sports.

If you have questions on the proposed fees please send us comments via the email link provided in the media release below or if you wish you can fill out a comment card.

Pima County NRPR is proposing this modest fee in an effort to optimize field use.

As you are aware, on occasion the fields remain vacant whereby another user group could be utilizing it.

The proposed fees can be reviewed online in the link listed below from the Acting County Administrator Jan Leshner's February 3, 2022 memorandum to the Pima County Board of Supervisors.

We ask for your comments and welcome your feedback.

Sincerely,

Len Altieri

**Leonard Altieri**

**Pima County Natural Resources Parks and Recreation**

**Field Coordinator**  
**724-5196, 724-5078 fax**

**From:** Pima County <pimacounty@public.govdelivery.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 28, 2022 2:40 PM  
**To:** Len Altieri <Len.Altieri@pima.gov>  
**Subject:** Pima County seeks public comment on proposed fees for Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation facilities and programs

David Cosgrove  
FC Tucson Youth Director of Coaching  
Pima College Head Men's Soccer Coach  
2021 NJCAA National Champions  
2018 NJCAA National Champions  
2021 2018 NJCAA National Coach of the Year  
2013 NJCAA Hall of Fame



**From:** Randy Post  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** I oppose raising fees on sports fields  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 9:56:00 PM

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Dear NRPR Department,

I am a father of a soccer player and I am opposed to raising the fees charged to use County sports fields. We already pay a significant sum of money for our daughter to play soccer. Raising fees charged to our club will be directly passed on to me and every other soccer parent in the club. With inflation making every paycheck dollar count less and less, an increase like that would result in many families having to make the difficult financial decision to not allow their child to participate in sports, which I believe is contrary to the mission of your department. Please work with the Board of Supervisors to find other ways to cover your costs and don't raise fees. Thank you.

Randy Post  
Sent from my tablet

**From:** John V. Hawley  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** I say NO to new and increased fees to use the parks  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 7:08:20 PM

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To Whom It May Concern,

In this third year of the pandemic I as a parent of an FC Tucson soccer player, am encouraged that our children can finally more safely and comfortably get out of the house and engage in healthy physical activity. At the same time all of us are under ever more economic stress because of the rising cost of living. Nevertheless, how can the County justify a nearly 50% increase in usage fees?

In short we oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games.

Respectfully,  
John Hawley



**From:** Shannon Pearlman  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Increase fees to county parks  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 4:57:11 PM

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I oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong. No new fees, please.

Shannon Pearlman

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Fausto Hopkins  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Increase in fees for use of parks  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 7:53:08 PM

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Dear NRPR Fees:

I oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Families are already overextended, even more so with \$4/gas.

Thank you,  
Fausto Hopkins





**From:** Anna Akowski-Hernandez  
**To:** NRFR Fees  
**Subject:** Increase In Feild fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:08:25 PM

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We are in opposition of a raise in fees. Parks are already paid for with taxes and the current fees. The increase in fees would make it too costly for many players. We have been blessed to play at these park and appreciate the clean and safe setting. If we were no longer to play at these park it would have a sad effect on the over all Tucson experience. I am a Tucson native and am saddened by the limited things our city already has to offer. Please reconsider.

Sincerely,  
Anna Akowski-Hernandez

**From:** Karen Hayes  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Increase in park fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 7:57:12 PM

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We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games.

We already pay a great sum for our children to enjoy this sport and to increase, especially this exorbitant amount is unfair.

**From:** Ryan Johnson  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Increase in use fees for Pima County fields  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 7:42:36 PM

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To Whom it may concern,

I was disappointed to hear from FC Tucson Youth Soccer club where my daughter plays that Pima County is considering increasing the fees paid by the club for use of the county soccer fields as this increase will be directly passed along to the families through increased club fees. As a taxpayer, I feel that we pay plenty in city and county taxes for our children to be allowed to play on fields that are, keep in mind, not over seeded in the winter time.

As a parent and practicing pediatric cardiologist, however, I am even more concerned about the negative impact this decision will have on the health of youth in Tucson by impeding access for children of families that were already struggling to afford for the son or daughter to participate in youth sports. In a time when the physical and mental health of our youth has been so profoundly impacted by the Covid 19 pandemic, I feel that this is a detrimental and poorly considered move by the county. I can attest to the negative impact on the health of our children by the numerous kids that I have seen in clinic that have gained 20-30 pounds due to decreased physical activity during quarantine and now have high blood pressure and pre-diabetes. I have seen teenagers that are struggling to go to school due to a neurocardiac condition called POTS that prevents them from being able to stand or walk for prolonged periods and is directly related to sedentary lifestyle and lack of regular physical activity. I ask that you reconsider this increase in use fees as a small way to help promote the health of children in Pima County as opposed to creating yet another barrier.

Regards,  
Ryan Johnson

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Increased fee for use of public parks  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 9:30:35 AM

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Please accept this correspondence as a means to voice my disappointment in the county wanting to raise the fees charged to sports clubs for use of taxpayer funded parks. It is absolutely absurd to ask in excess of \$100,000 from one program to cover the cost of lighting and field upkeep. Especially since the condition of many of these fields are a far cry from acceptable and safe. Please look at other avenues to absorb any increased costs to the county related to maintaining these fields. Explore other options that will have less of a dramatic impact on the cost for families to have their children participate in youth sports.

Thank you,

T. Blatnick

**From:** [alex.mora](#)  
**To:** [NRPR\\_Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Increased fee parks  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:24:01 PM

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As a parent of youth playing soccer I oppose to the fee increased, thank you for the considerations.

**From:** Deanne McKenzie  
**To:** NRFR Fees  
**Subject:** Increased Fees  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 1:29:53 PM

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To whom it may concern,

My name is Deanne McKenzie, and My daughter plays for FCT. I am emailing due to the recent information that was given to us regarding the increased fees that we may face to use our parks.

There are multiple reasons I am opposed to this increase, the most important of which is the difficulty of many family's being unable to pay for their child to participate.

I am a special education teacher, working full time. I am unable to afford to have my child play sports now, and with an increase it would be impossible.

Luckily, my husband is a physician, with his own practice here in Tucson. He affords the fee. We also do our part in sponsoring, to help our players.

I am strongly opposed to the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games, for the reason that the parent's can take no more. They are stretched to the point of breaking, and I insist that this increase be reconsidered.

Please do not double-dip into wallets that are almost completely empty as is.

Thank you,  
Deanne McKenzie  
FCT U-15 Red Girls

**From:** Patrick Turner  
**To:** NRPB Fees  
**Subject:** Increased youth field fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 4:28:34 PM

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Hi,

I hope this finds you well. We heard that Pima wants to significantly increase the field use fees for our soccer club who will have to in turn increase our fees. Our kids love soccer and it's a healthy activity for them- healthier than TV and video games. If you increase fees as planned many families won't be able to afford soccer fees and their kids won't be able to play. Please reconsider raising fees as it will ultimately hurt the kids.

Thank you,  
Patrick

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Rashawn Smith  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** increases fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 7:25:59 PM

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To whom it may concern, we oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games if the fees are increased it will do detrimental harm to youth sports and families like mine you are already having a hard time to just pay for sports now. So please DO NOT INCREASE FEE PLEASE!!! INCREASING FEE will be DEVASTATING!!!!

Thank you  
Rashawn Smith

Sent from my iPhone



**From:** Crystal Miles  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Increasing fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 6:04:15 PM

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My family and I oppose the county increasing and adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training. Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees, including ours, and the timing of this couldn't be worse, with gas prices raising above \$4 and continuing to increase! Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

Please reconsider at this time!

Thank you,  
Crystal Miles

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

**From:** Clint Ogren  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** No Adding/Increasing Park Fees  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 6:05:45 AM

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To whom it may concern,

I strongly oppose the county increasing or adding of new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Many soccer families can barely afford to participate now with the existing fees and the timing of this could not be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic, participation in youth sports has decreased dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors, a raise in fees could not be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong. Soccer has had such a positive impact on my nephew's life and to think about how many kids will miss out on that same opportunity due to a fee increase is awful.

Thank you for your consideration,

Clint Ogren

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

**From:** Jen Meyers Pickard  
**To:** NRPR fees  
**Subject:** New proposed fees  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 10:02:59 AM

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Good morning,

I am writing regarding the proposed new fees for the use of Rillito and Brandi Fenton Parks. I vehemently oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games.

Thank you for listening.

Jen Pickard  
Pima County resident



**From:** Crystal Miles  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Increasing fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 28, 2022 11:30:01 AM

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My family and I oppose the county increasing and adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training. Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees, including ours, and the timing of this couldn't be worse, with gas prices above \$4 and only continuing to increase! Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

Please reconsider at this time!

Thank you,  
Crystal Miles

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

**From:** A Natale  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Increasing park fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:46:42 PM

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➤ As a parent of three children who participate in youth sports we strongly oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs we use the county parks for training and games. Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors to live a healthier life, a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

➤ The county needs to find other ways to cover costs and not at the expense of those whom the parks are built for, KIDS.

➤

➤ Thank you

➤ Anne Natale

➤ 85704

**From:** [natasha\\_vayre](#)  
**To:** [NRPR Fees](#)  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 7:54:04 PM

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We oppose the County increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Why would fees be raised for a positive outlet and participation for our society and our youth. It's important to motivate and encourage, not to be a damper and be greedy. The fees for all travel expenses that comes with club is extreme. To raise the cost effects the opprotunity for possibilities in college soccer and amazing opprotunties. Please do not let money be a reason to take away great opprotunities.

Natasha Vayre  
Mother of two FC Tucson youth soccer players!

**From:** Nancy Shields  
**To:** NBPR Fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 7:12:06 PM

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to whom it concerns:

I oppose a fee increase, how can you even consider one at this time when so many families are struggling? Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

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Nancy Shields  
Executive Director  
Desert Horizons Communities  
[REDACTED]  
Fax: 520-615-2263

**From:** Miguel A Pérez  
**To:** MRPR Fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:46:09 PM

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To whom it may concern

we oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games.

I am father who has to take my son cross the entire City from 12 ave and irvington to Randy Fenton park to great academy fc tucson practice, any increase in my son Memberships well put him out of th team immediately so i am sking Please DON'T INCREASE FEES FOR THE PARK we all need it.

Thanks



**From:** [Laura Hathaway](#)  
**To:** [NRPR Fees](#)  
**Date:** Monday, February 28, 2022 5:25:48 PM

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Low income and fixed low incomes can't afford the fees now. We have children that would like to do many of these things too. As well as adults.

I find it AMAZING that those below poverty can't enjoy fine arts and cultural event, let alone recreation activities because we must choose between meds, food or rent. Thank you again for screwing the low and poverty population in Pima County

**From:** Belen Ponce  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Date:** Friday, March 11, 2022 9:36:38 AM

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Please no increase with everything going on we don't need added expenses that could affect our children

**From:** E and K HUDDLESTON  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** New fees for youth sports at county parks  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 6:24:36 PM

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Hi,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. We already pay taxes so that we can have these parks. With current rising inflation, I believe this additional fee will be the breaking point for many families who will have no choice but to keep their kids out of soccer and other sports programs. Post-pandemic, there are already fewer kids playing youth sports. Don't add to that.

This will have such a negative effect. Please do not add additional or increase fees to our parks. The kids of Pima county will directly suffer from this.

Thank you,  
Kimberly Huddleston

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Francis & Andie Hemmah  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** new increased fees to use the parks  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 15, 2022 7:35:50 PM

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Good Evening,

We are writing to urge you not to increase fees on youth sports including fees for the parks. Today parents struggle to keep their kids involved and in a positive activity where they learn responsibility, accountability, respect including self-respect, team cooperation, and communication - all in which is needed to mold a healthy adult.

We understand the concern of cost in today's economy, however raising fees on parents for their kids to stay involved is not the way. Raising fees will force many parents to not keep their kids involved. Please think of the many struggling families at this time that need activities, and they need more affordable activities for their children, not less.

Please help us raise our children to be healthy and strong members of society by allowing them a place to play sports, learn many skills on and off the field that they will need for life, and help strengthen our community by allowing these events to continue without fear of rising costs.

Thank you for your time.

Francis & Andie Hemmah

**From:** Danielle Justin Carroll  
**To:** NRPR\_Fees  
**Subject:** New Park Fees? NO!  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 10:30:55 AM

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To Whom It May Concern -

This week the staff for my son's soccer club informed us that there is a county proposal to increase the total bill for park lighting by \$35,000 at Rillito and Brandi Fenton parks. This would necessarily cause participation fees for many families in several soccer clubs to accordingly increase and might price some families out who can currently barely afford to keep their kids in soccer.

At a time when we are emerging from COVID trying to get our kids active and participating in sports again and when economic hardship has hit many, I find this to be terrible timing. I understand that the county budget is likely under a lot of stress as well, but penalizing kids and families at this time seems unnecessary and short-sighted. Please reconsider raising these fees.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Justin Carroll  
Tucson

**From:** Judy\_Khalil  
**To:** NRPR\_Less  
**Subject:** No extra fee  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 6:49:51 PM

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"We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games." Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

SO "NO" to new and increased fees to use the parks.

Blessings  
Judy Wanes

**From:** JH  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** No fee increase for our kids  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 8:29:05 PM

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I oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Let's keep the leagues open and affordable for all kids. In light of the recent Covid outbreak where physical health was a key component in how a person responded and recovered I can't think of too many things that are more important than promoting a healthy life for our children. Let's set the stage for their future and find the money somewhere else.

V/r  
Joseph Hext

**From:** [xiushan.zhu](#)  
**To:** [NRPR\\_Fees](#)  
**Subject:** NO fee increase for using public parks  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 4:19:45 PM

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To whom it may concern,

Our kid is on a team of FC Tucson Youth. We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games.

Best regards,  
Xiushan



**From:** Michael Martinez  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** No Fee increases for electricity at Pima County fields  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 8:25:17 AM

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Hello,

Please do NOT increase fees for electricity at Pima County fields for youth sports. Many families are barely able to cover the costs associated with sports now. Additional fees would surely drive more children from sports due to cost and that would be shame upon the Pima County Board of Supervisors.

Please reconsider and do not raise fees...

All the best,

Michael Martinez  
Pima county resident with multiple children in youth sports

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** No fee increases  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 10:14:40 AM

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We strongly oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games!

Sports shouldn't just be for those that can afford it, sports should be for everyone!

Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.  
Nicole Foster

**From:** shawn\_foster  
**To:** NBPR\_Fees  
**Subject:** No Increase in Fees!  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 10:11:26 AM

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Shawn Foster

**From:** shawn foster  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** No Increase in fees  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 10:13:50 AM

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Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

Shawn Foster

**From:** Charles Kendrick  
**To:** NBPR fees  
**Cc:** "Nicole Heirshberg"  
**Subject:** No increase in light fees please  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 7:50:54 PM

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We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees. Since the beginning of the pandemic, participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised.

Thank you,

Nik and Charlie Kendrick

**From:** Megan Ogren  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** No Increase/Adding Park Fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 8:06:26 PM

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To whom it may concern,

I want to make it known that I strongly oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Many soccer families can barely afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has decreased dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors, a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong. Soccer has saved my nephew in more ways than I can possibly describe in an email and to think how many kids will miss out on the same opportunity due to a fee increase breaks my heart.

Thank you for your consideration,

Megan Ogren

**From:** Kirsten Hass  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** NO increased fees  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 1:17:30 PM

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To whom it may concern,

I greatly oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sport clubs who use county parks for training and games. This would be detrimental to many families who already struggle paying for their kids to be in these extra curricular activities. We already pay taxes so we can use these parks. This increase of essentially a "double-tax" you are charging for us to use the fields, is wrong.

NO to new and increased fees to use the parks.

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God Bless.

Kirsten Hass

**From:** Irasema Yanez  
**To:** NBPR Fees  
**Subject:** NO INCREASED FEES  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 4:26:25 PM

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As part of the FC Tucson family we OPPOSE the increase of the fees to our soccer club. It is unfair and unnecessary. Our FC Tucson families can barely afford the fees of the club.

Irasema Yanez



**From:** Laurel Barattieri  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** NO More fees for park use  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 6:00:16 PM

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We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Our clubs and teams are part of the community and shouldn't be charged EVEN MORE for normal use of park facilities. The whole point of the facilities is so the kids can use and play on them.

Thank you,

Laurel Rees Barattieri

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** NBER\_FEE@  
**Subject:** No more fees!  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:16:13 PM

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Please do not increase fees on soccer fields. We do not need more kids dropping out due to costs.

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Vivian  
**To:** NRPP Fees  
**Subject:** No more fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 7:13:11 PM

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NO" to new and increased fees to use the parks

Vivian Narvaez

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** VAREJ FILHANESSIAN  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** NO NEW FEES!  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 9:37:11 PM

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We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games.”

Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill advised.

We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This “double tax” to use the parks is just wrong.

v/r,  
Varej Filhanessian

**From:** Liana Abrahamyan  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** NO NEW FEES!  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 9:41:00 PM

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Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised.

We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This “double tax” to use the parks is just wrong.

v/r,  
Liana Abrahamyan

**From:** Jennifer Ferrell  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** No on Increase  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:14:59 PM

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To whom it may concern,

I oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

Jennifer Ferrell  
Long Realty

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** No raise in park fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 10:24:40 PM

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To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing today to ask you to please not raise the fees for FC Tucson to use Rillito and Brandy Fenton, or on any soccer teams trying to practice in Pima county for that matter. These fees will be passed on to us, the families, one way or another and could not come at a worse time. Between inflation, gas prices and the recent raise in water prices for those of us living outside of Tucson limits, our families are struggling.

Our poor kids have struggled themselves with Covid isolation and many changes in the last two years. Soccer is an outlet, it is a way for them to stay active, learn life skills and help their mental health. If prices rise, many of these struggling families will not be able to afford soccer any more and that will have devastating consequences for our kids. I know my son needs his team, he needs to stay active. He is a straight A honor kid but it is through his soccer team that he maintains his mental health to achieve in school. I also think it's important to note that a large percentage of our teams are minorities from low income families that already fundraise heavily to allow their sons and daughters to play.

Please don't fix the county's problems on the backs of our children.

Sincerely,

Carina Borchers

**From:** Yousef Awwad  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** No to fees increases for youth sports clubs  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 9, 2022 6:23:56 AM

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we oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games

Sent from my iPhone



**From:** Diego Morales  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** NO to field cost increase.  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:45:53 PM

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I oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county fields for training and games." We can barely afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse considering all the other increases in cost of living.

We all pay taxes to be able to use these fields and paying now more money is like paying "double tax" to use the parks. This is just wrong. I could understand if the fields were better maintained but brown dead grass fields is hardly justifiable for the increase.

Shame on you!

-Diego

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** NRPA FEES  
**Subject:** No to Increase tax for youth sports clubs for use of county parks  
**Date:** Friday, March 25, 2022 11:49:01 AM

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To Whom It May Concern,

I oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training . Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse with inflation increases, gas prices rising following the economic impact of the last 2 years. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong. In addition, youth soccer has and will continue to bring revenue to Tucson with tournaments and games. As a club member of FC Tucson Youth soccer, it has continued to bring in more interest in youth soccer which only helps the Tucson economy. Please do not add more burden to youth & families that are supporting this economy.

Thank you for your time & consideration!  
Sylvia

Sylvia K. Neal, LCSW, PLLC

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Lenny Mark  
**To:** NRRR Fees  
**Subject:** No to Increased fees for youth sports  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 1:34:48 AM

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Dear Sir or Madame:

We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong. Please do not increase fees.

Sincerely,  
Lenny Mark



**From:** [jacquay.george](#)  
**To:** [NRPR Fees](#)  
**Subject:** No to increased park fees  
**Date:** Friday, March 11, 2022 8:51:40 PM

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Please do not increase the fees for soccer teams to use Brandi fenton and rillito. This fee increase is ridiculous and will hurt working families. This keeps kids off the streets and helps family engagement. What are you thinking?? This price hike is way to high.

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

**From:** [Lindsey simkins](#)  
**To:** [NRPR Fees](#)  
**Subject:** NO to Increasing Fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 7:03:56 PM

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We OPPOSE the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. As a family of 7, and increasing prices everywhere, we can barely keep our 4 kids in Sports. We wholeheartedly believe our kids need sports to not only stay active but especially with the last 2 trying years. They thrive being a part of a team and working on their skills. We already pay taxes so we can have parks. We hope you consider the hundreds of families are barely getting by right now and vote NO to increasing fees at our parks!

Thank you  
Lindsey Simkins

**From:** Dasch, Steven  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** NO to New & Increased Fees for Parks  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 4:19:56 PM

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I am writing on behalf of FC Tucson and as a parent who's son plays for the team/academy. Not only is an increase of almost 50% or \$35,000 a huge increase for tax payers to burden but the original \$73,000 for a public park is out of line with other counties in the country. I would propose you send this out to businesses and let us as the private sector understand today's costs and why this increase is needed so that we can help fund either with donations and/or with different avenues on how costs are spent today.

At a time when families are struggling and fitness is down in youths, this decision will make it easier for parents to allow and kids to pick up a cell phone or video game controller versus a ball of any shape or size.

Thank you for your consideration,  
Steven Dasch  
Site President Citi Tucson

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** No to raising county fees for sports clubs  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 6:47:14 PM

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we oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

Thank you  
Tiffany

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Maria Matus  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** No! to increase or fees  
**Date:** ✓ Monday, March 7, 2022 9:24:17 PM

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Pima County

To whom it may concern,

I oppose, that the county increases or adds new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games.

There's many reasons why. A lot of parents like my self can't afford to have our kids in sports. We make a big effort to keep our kids in sports. In my case, I'm head of household I make less than 18,000 a year and have several medical conditions. The reason why i make all this sacrifice to keep my son in soccer, is because I want his mind away from our life struggles, also because it keeps him motivated to succeed in school, and because it keeps him away from the streets and drugs.

Don't let our kids dreams come to an end. A lot of kids like my son plan to reach their goals through sports and for sure a lot of our kids will not be able to continue the program if we have to pay more money do to the increase.

Please reconsider your decision.

Sincerely,

Maria Cruz Matus



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** No!  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 9, 2022 6:01:12 PM

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Do not raise field costs. Families are still struggling financially and emotionally from the pandemic. Youth sports are a positive force for both youth and families. Please do not consider any increase in field costs. Instead support the youth sports that support our youth.

Sent from my T-Mobile 5G Device

**From:** Cate  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Objection to new and increased park fees  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 9, 2022 1:03:31 PM

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March 9, 2022

Dear County Official,

I oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games being that many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees. The timing of this could not be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees will set us back yet again.

Sincerely,

Cate Morales

**From:** Andres Carroll  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Oppose County fee increase  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 3:14:45 PM

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I firmly oppose the fee increase for youth sports clubs. I value my sons involvement in soccer as much as all the other parents. It's a terrible time to increase fees, with all that is going on.

**From:** Diego Ascencio  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Oppose fee Increase for county parks.  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 6:11:07 PM

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Hello

My kids are part of a soccer club and it has been brought to our attention that you're planning to increase park usage fees.

I just want to strongly expressed my disagreement and oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games.

I pay my taxes diligently and is absurd that we working families have to pay more for the usage of county facilities. This is an example of why large corporations should be taxed appropriately instead of putting the pressure and burden in the working class.

Sincerely  
Diego Ascencio

**From:** Jenna Rutschman  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Oppose Increase Adding Fees Youth Sports  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 8:45:29 AM

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To Whom It May Concern,

I oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. The youth fields play an important part in many childrens lives and many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

Best,

Jenna Rutschman

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Jenna D. Rutschman



**From:** Joshua Nelson  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Oppose New fees for county parks  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 10:00:47 AM

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Hello,

I wanted to voice my opinion over the increasing field fees for youth sports  
I oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs that use county parks for training and games.

Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and electronics and back outdoors, a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-timed. We all pay taxes so we can have parks in our city and this "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong, and I don't think we should have to pay anything to use the facilities that are already there for residents to use. The pandemic has also significantly reduced many people's budgets and anything extra right now, simply is not affordable to many families.

Thank you,

Joshua Nelson  


**From:** Erin Turner  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** oppose new fees  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 8:34:51 AM

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Dear Pima County,

We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. We have three children who play youth soccer and the associated fees already stretch our budget. Any increases could limit our children's participation.

Sincerely,

Erin Turner, parent of three youth soccer players

**From:** Jeo Cazares  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Oppose New Rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 3:16:24 PM

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Hello,

I oppose the rate hike for county fields for soccer clubs. My daughter plays for FC Tucson and we already pay enough as it is right now, with inflation on everything else I wouldn't like for my daughter to stop playing because we cannot afford it.

thank you.

Jeovan Cazares



**From:** Deborah Ardolino  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Opposed County Park Fees  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 11:22:51 AM

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We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Youth sports is critical to mental health and this fee increase will prevent players from participating

Thank you,

**From:** [Kim Blanchard](#)  
**To:** [NRPR Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Opposed soccer fees  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 7:19:40 PM

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I am opposed of the new soccer fees. Kim

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Patty\_C  
**To:** NRPR\_Fees  
**Subject:** Opposed to increased fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 9:51:01 PM

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Soccer is a lifeline for a lot of children in Tucson  
It not only helps children stay fit and engaged, but it gives them a sense of belonging and keeps them out of trouble  
Increasing fees to allow us use of Brandy Fenton and Rillito Park for practice is not only devastating, but unfair!

As parents we pay enough city and state taxes; not to mention soccer fees

I oppose the proposed increase in fees for the use of these parks

Sincerely,  
Ana Chavez

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**From:** [Arianda Ochoa](#)  
**To:** [NRPR Fees](#)  
**Subject:** opposed to new fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 8:52:11 PM

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We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games.

Please

Enviado desde mi iPhone

**From:** [michelle.skog](#)  
**To:** [NRPR\\_Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Opposed to the rise in fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 9:25:50 PM

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My family is opposed to the county increasing or adding new fees to use county parks for training or games for youth sports clubs. It's hard enough to pay for the fees for the sport and we have families that can barely afford the minimum. Our kids have suffered enough during this pandemic by being cut off from the world. The more they can be outside, the better their mental health. Please don't make it more difficult to take care of our kids.

Thank you,  
Michelle Skog

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Ashley Stewart  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Opposing added fees to FC Tucson  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 6:27:41 PM

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To whom it may concern,

I am opposing the additional fees that county is trying to imposing on fc tucson youth sports. Our kids need to stay active and with everything going up in cost including a two year pandemic. Some of us can not afford to keep our children in the club if this happens. I already pay taxes there is no reason to pay double.

I understand the integrity of the horse track and to keep the horses safe but the wind and weather has been crazy in Tucson, rocks could've easily been brought on to the track with the wind.

Ashley Stewart  


Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Dulini  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** opposing New fees for youth sports clubs  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 4:24:04 PM

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We as parents of a FC Tucson Youth soccer player oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors, a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-timed. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

Thank you.

Dulini Gamage

**From:** Brisa Verdugo  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Opposing new proposals  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 8:42:32 PM

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We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. We are a family of 4 and the club fees we pay are already expensive, there is no way we would be able to keep our children with the club if fees are raised. Clubs such as FC Tucson keep our kids busy and engaged in a positive manner. We are pleading, do not raise fees. WE OPPOSE.

Kindly,  
A concerned parent of two young boys.



**From:** Hongki Jo  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Opposing to increase county park fees for youth sports training and games  
**Date:** Thursday, March 10, 2022 8:06:58 AM

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To whom it may concern,

We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs that use the county parks for training and games. We barely afford my two children's sports activities that they seriously love to play. Please let us keep our children learning and enjoying their favorite sports without much worry of fees.

Hongki Jo

**From:** [fjako.salgado](#)  
**To:** [NRPR\\_Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Opposition  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 7:42:23 PM

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"NO" to new and increased fees to use the parks.

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**From:** Brenda Rios  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Opposition  
**Date:** Thursday, March 10, 2022 9:13:05 PM

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we oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games.

NO more increasing!!!

Enviado desde mi iPhone

**From:** Katie Griffin  
**To:** NBPR Fees  
**Subject:** Opposition to fee increase  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 7:40:18 PM

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Greetings,

The purpose of this email is to address the proposed increase in cost for youth sports clubs to use Brandi Fenton and Rillito parks. We strongly oppose the \$35,000 increasing in new fees. The youth sports organizations are already paying an exorbitant \$73,000 to use the fields for sports practices and games.

Increasing the fees will drive the cost of youth sports up and most likely decrease the amount of families willing and able to pay to participate in organized youth sports.

Please do better,

Best,

Katie Griffin  
Parent of teen athlete

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**From:** [david.hunter](#)  
**To:** [NRPR Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Opposition to fees  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 5:46:18 AM

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Why do you choose to aid some groups of people and place the burden on children by creasing fees for lights, it is a blatant attempt to fill county coffers on the backs of children who play sports. It is bad enough schools can barely provide quality sports; why must you disable families from building positive opportunities for their children outside of school? If fess go up there will be a consequence at the ballot box. I personally guarantee to organize grass roots resistance to this action if you increase fees.

David Hunter.

**From:** Joseph Ludi  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Opposition to new Fees for Rillito Park  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:40:23 PM

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Pima County,

We were outraged when we heard of the County raising the fees for the use of Rillito Park by FC Youth Tucson by almost double!! Not only would this raise soccer fees for less-advantaged kids, this is probably the worst time ever to do so right when the Covid-19 pandemic is nearing an end. These kids absolutely need every opportunity to get outside and off the couch at this time!!

We vehemently oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games which are already funded by taxpayers.

Joseph and Bitu Ludi  
Pima County Taxpayers



**From:** Ted Schmidt  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Opposition to Pima Park User Fees  
**Date:** Thursday, March 10, 2022 12:16:33 PM

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On behalf of FC Tucson Youth, the largest youth soccer club and principal user of Pima County Park sports fields we wish to voice our opposition to any user fees being added to the \$75,000 a year we already pay for lights so we can actually use the parks after school, which is one of our largest expenses, an expense paid from fees collected from our families.

We are a nonprofit and not a penny we raise is spent that doesn't bring value to the programs we provide for thousands of Pima County kids. We run a tournament that is second only to the Shootout and brings in thousands of out-of-town guests, boosting the Pima County economy.

Additionally, FCTY spends \$100,000 a year in need-based financial aid/scholarships to documented low-income families who could not play without this assistance. No Pima County child is turned away from our program for financial reasons. The \$35,000 a year user fee that NRPR wants to assess against us easily represents the financial assistance we provide to at least 25 families.

I think that we are basically dealing with a philosophical difference of opinion between NRPR and most all of its constituents. As you point out, taxpayers bear the largest burden on the electrical costs. As they should. The users of Pima County parks are all taxpayers and expect that one of the reasons they pay taxes is so they can have properly maintained parks and fields where they can recreate. When we go to a park, we don't expect to pay another "tax" in the way of user fees or even light fees for that matter. We pay taxes so we can have these things. Parks should not be profit centers for the County.

Beyond that philosophical difference, NRPR could not have possibly picked a worse time to make this proposal. We have an obesity epidemic among the youth in Pima County. I can send you the statistics. This is a bad situation getting worse due to the pandemic and the failure of thousands of kids to re-engage with their sports and outdoor recreation teams. While virtually all youth sports have been back in action for a year or more and restrictions have been lifted, a huge number of kids remain on the couch.

[https://www.aspenprojectplay.org/youth\\_sports/facts/participation\\_rates#:~:text=The%20most%20recent%20year%20in,that%20basically%20means%20organized%20sports](https://www.aspenprojectplay.org/youth_sports/facts/participation_rates#:~:text=The%20most%20recent%20year%20in,that%20basically%20means%20organized%20sports)

Youth Sports  
Facts: Participation  
Rates — The  
Aspen Institute  
Project Play

At the launch of Project

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Play in 2013, the United States government produced limited data on sport participation and physical activity rates

[www.aspenprojectplay.org](http://www.aspenprojectplay.org)

<https://www.latimes.com/california/newsletter/2021-12-06/kids-are-losing-interest-in-team-sports-community-athletics-have-shrunk-why-that-matters-8-to-3>

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Kids are losing interest in organized sports. Why that matters - Los Angeles Times

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Image

28% of kids lose interest in playing sports since COVID

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One of the principal missions of NRPR ought to be to address issues like this in a way that promotes outdoor activities for our children. Assessing new costs to parents will have quite



the opposite effect—even fewer kids will play. We are likely on the brink of an economic crisis that will most certainly have the greatest impact on low-income families. The war in Ukraine and its consequences are going to stretch the pocketbook for Mom and Dad even further.

Additionally, a modification in NRPR's field reservation system could alleviate concerns about unused reserved fields without the need for additional fees. Maybe try carrots and not sticks.

I would also suggest we should not ignore the elephant in the room. Pima County has a tenant running a gambling and a alcohol sales business on roughly 70 percent of the real estate at Rillito Park. I would suggest NRPR ought to be proposing this user fee be assessed against that tenant, or at least 70 percent of it.

Finally, I think the best way to address issues like these is to bring all stakeholders together to brainstorm so we can avoid creating financial hardships for Pima County families. I look forward to continuing this constructive dialogue so that we can arrive at a solution that best meets the needs of our community, especially its most important stakeholders: Our children.

Ted Schmidt  
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**From:** [Wolfgang Weber](#)  
**To:** [NRPR Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Opposition to proposed "USER FEE" for Pima County Parks  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 23, 2022 4:54:45 PM

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To whom it may concern:

I'm sending this email to voice my opposition to your proposed "USER FEE" for Pima County Parks. I, along with all other tax payers, are already paying taxes for the creation, maintenance and general upkeep of our parks -- and these parks should be available to our children for use without assessing additional fees.

Also please note, that our 501 C 3 Non-Profit organization already pays significant "Field Light" and "Field Use" fees imposed by the county, the city and other municipalities.

This continues "nickel and diming" of our young children and their families has to stop!

Sincerely,  
Wolfgang Weber  
Pima County Sports Hall of 2005  
Salpointe Catholic HS Sports Hall of Fame 2011

**From:** Brooke Wilson  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Opposition to proposed fee increase for county fields  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:17:31 PM

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Good afternoon,

I hope this email finds you well. I am writing today to express my thoughts on an important topic - I oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. These increased fees, if assessed, will inevitably be passed down to families of youth athletes. In today's economy, with rising prices at the gas pump and in the grocery stores, we simply can't afford it. The opportunity for our young athletes to play and practice their sports on county fields provides them with a much needed outlet - I implore the county to consider the needs of Pima county youth athletes and the impact a cost increase imposed on the clubs will have on kids and families. Now is not the time.

With Appreciation,  
Brooke Wilson, Pima County resident

**From:** Christine White  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Opposition to the proposed new fee for soccer clubs using county fields  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 2:43:34 PM

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I strongly oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

Warmly,  
CC White  
[counselingwithcc.com](http://counselingwithcc.com), [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#)

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**From:** Melissa Chicas  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Park fee Increase  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 9, 2022 6:52:14 PM

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Hello,

This email is to request there be no fee increase for county field use by youth soccer teams. The county should be encouraging youth to be active and engage in teamwork rather than putting up barriers to this type of activity.

Sincerely,  
Melissa Chicas

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Park fees affecting soccer clubs  
**Date:** Saturday, March 12, 2022 9:04:45 AM

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Dear Pima County Park Administrator,

I recently learned of the proposal to increase the fees to soccer clubs who use the county parks for practice and games. The proposed increase in fees is 50% above what is being paid now. Why would the county do this? The county is discouraging families from participating because of the increased costs of sending their kids to these programs. Families are already paying more! Gas, food, rent, you name it and now the county is piling on with a 50% increase in park usage fees? I adamantly oppose this increase. County governments should be encouraging positive youth activity such as soccer and not discouraging them because of excessive fees. I would think the county would prefer a healthier, more active population especially in such an outdoor oriented environment.

Feel free to call me directly to discuss [REDACTED] Thank you.

Regards,

Aaron Thomas  
Tucson, AZ


**From:** Ryan Goodin  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Park Fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 9:37:10 PM

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I strongly oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

Thank you  
Ryan Goodin



**From:** Walter Sanchez  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Park Fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:00:17 PM

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I vehemently disagree with additional fees for the use of fields for club soccer. Families are challenged enough with the current cost to only add more fees is simply not in the best interest of families. Isn't that the purpose of public parks?

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Walter Sanchez

[REDACTED]  
FC Tucson Senior Pro Staff  
06 Head Coach Girls Black  
08 Head Coach Girls Black  
09 Staff Coach Girls





**From:** Dave Cosgrove  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Park Fees  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 23, 2022 4:21:10 PM

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I am 100% against field usage fees.

**David Cosgrove**

FC Tucson Youth Director of Coaching  
Pima College Head Men's Soccer Coach  
2021 NJCAA National Champions  
2018 NJCAA National Champions  
2021 2018 NJCAA National Coach of the Year  
2013 NJCAA Hall of Fame



**From:** Josh Dubs  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Park lighting fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 6:24:22 PM

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To Pima County Governing Board,

This email is regarding the proposed 50% increase in lighting fees to FC Tucson youth soccer. I oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

Sincerely,  
Josh Dubs

**From:** Charlie MacCabe  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Park Usage Fees  
**Date:** Thursday, March 24, 2022 11:36:28 AM


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To Whom It May Concern:

I am opposed to the proposed usage fees for parks. As someone who has coached youth soccer for 40 years and currently sits on the Board of the Pima County Junior Soccer League and FC Tucson Youth, I know how important recreational activities are to children in our community. For many years I have been the scholarship program coordinator for FC Tucson Youth, and I can assure you that we have strived since our inception to make our programs available to all comers, including the hundreds of low-income families we have assisted through the years. These proposed fees will prevent us from meeting the needs of some of these needy families.

Sincerely,

Charlie MacCabe  
Co-Founder, FC Tucson Youth Soccer Club  
Vice President, Pima County Junior Soccer League  
General Manager, FC Tucson Women



**From:** scott.cramer  
**To:** NRPR\_Fees  
**Subject:** Parks and Rec proposed fee changes  
**Date:** Saturday, March 19, 2022 6:58:25 PM

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As an over 65 resident I would like to see a discount for my age group, same as provided to those under 16. Prices go up as they do so it is hard for me to fight that fact and we do get cost of living increases from time to time but for the most part we have no overtime pay available to help make ends meet. I was at the SE Shooting Range this morning for the First Shots class and then paid \$8.00 to shoot for less than an hour. Had I not received the free class I would think the \$8.00 was a little excessive. Maybe a steep senior discount for the multi punch card passes. I will say that the staff and volunteers were very helpful for my first time at the range.

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** NRPB\_Fees  
**Subject:** PIMA county - increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 7:33:56 PM

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To Whom it May Concern

I strongly appose the counties' recent move to suddenly increase and/or add new fees for youth sports clubs who rely on county parks for training and games. Families already support these facilities on strained budgets and cannot afford additional fees especially in light of the current fiscal climate here. I wil support action to re evaluate and/or eliminate entirely this recent levy on families who support city youth in using these facilities for sports.

Very Respectfully,

Garth D  
FC Tucson soccer player parent

[REDACTED]

**From:** Amanda Gradillas  
**To:** NRFB Fees  
**Subject:** Pima County Field Rate Increase  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 9:42:57 PM

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To whom it may concern,

The parents within Pima County are begging you to please not increase the fees for renting out Rillito and Brandi Fenton (or any other fields). The past 2 years have absolutely been unprecedented and trying times for the families of Pima County. Soccer and other sports have provided a consistent, positive outlet for the youth of our community.

In times of historical inflation, we kindly beg you to please look elsewhere within the county budget to cover potential costs or other justifications for raising field-associated expenses. Our families, and most importantly our children, cannot afford to bear another burden at this time.

I am asking you to please look into this further and spare the additional expenses.

Thank you,

Amanda  


**From:** Olindo A. Retana-Herrera  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Pima County seeks public comment on proposed fees for Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation facilities and programs  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 1, 2022 7:00:54 AM

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Please do not raise the fees.

This action will only further exclude the less fortunate,

Thank you,

O. Retana

**From:** Liam  
**To:** NRFR Fees  
**Subject:** Pima resources recreation facilities fee Increases  
**Date:** Monday, February 28, 2022 4:17:35 PM

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NO to any increase in fees. Our taxes already pay our share of the cost for all Pima rec facilities and events.



**From:** Danielle DeBake  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Pima Soccer Fields  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:50:50 PM

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To Whom it May Concern:

We are opposed to the increases in prices to use the county soccer fields. With three children all in activities, these increases make it very difficult to allow our children the ability to all participate.

Thank you,  
Danielle DeBake

**From:** Themis Tokkaris  
**To:** NRPB Fees  
**Subject:** Please do not increase fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 9:28:27 PM

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We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games.

Additional fees will make it much more difficult for families to support their children financially to keep playing sports. These kids have gone through the pandemic and they need to be able to exercise and be part of sports.

Please make it easy for them .

Themis Tokkaris  
CISSP,CISM,GCFE,GCFA,GCDA,Security+

**From:** Sarah Abbott  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Please do NOT raise fees at sports fields  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 6:43:01 PM

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We can barely afford to pay for our kids sports, please don't raise the fees for the sports fields any higher. We already pay taxes for these fields as well as fees. Kids need to be out playing sports and staying healthy.

Thank you,  
Sarah Abbott

**From:** [Catherine Newman](#)  
**To:** [NRPR Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Please don't increase fees for field use  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:15:09 PM

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To whom it may concern,

We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. Thus, a raise in fees at this time couldn't be more ill-advised. We need to get youth back off their computers and off the couch and outdoors playing sports. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

Catherine Newman

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Lindsee Turner  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Please don't raise fees  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 15, 2022 9:01:57 AM

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We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Kids are already getting priced out of youth sports without this increase. Sports are so beneficial for kids and their development. It teaches them leadership, discipline, how to work together and the importance of taking care for their bodies. So much talent would be missed and kids would end up on their couches playing video games. We need to help keep kids active by not increasing these fees so kids don't get priced out of youth sports and all their benefits!

Thanks,  
Lindsee Turner

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

**From:** Clariza Duval  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** possible fees increase for parks  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 8:09:12 PM  
**Importance:** High

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To whom it may concern:

This is to express that my family and I oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Some of us are already struggling and are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

**Best regards,**

**Clariza Duval**  


**From:** [lia zobrist](#)  
**To:** [NRPR Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Proposal of Increased fees for FC Tucson to use Rillito & Brandi Fenton parks  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 9, 2022 7:12:53 AM

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To Whom it May Concern,

We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training & games. Many soccer families are already struggling to be able to afford the constant increases during this financially challenging time.

Thank you in advance for your time,  
Lia Zobrist

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone  
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**From:** sarah.compton  
**To:** NRPR\_Fees  
**Subject:** proposed fee increase for use of county fields  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 4:39:30 PM

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To whom it may concern,

We are opposed to the proposed fee increase for use of county fields by fc tucson for training and games. Please know that many families already struggle with paying soccer fees and this increase could cause many children to have to quit club soccer. As you know, it is more important than ever to keep our youth active and mentally and physically healthy in these times that we live in. We are very concerned that there will be vulnerable children unable to continue to play soccer, which is such an important and healthy outlet for them. Please reconsider these increases.

Thank you,  
Dr. and Mrs. Christopher Compton

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**From:** Amber Adil  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Proposed fee increase  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 4:49:00 PM

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To Whom it May Concern:

Our family strongly opposes the proposed increase in fees to FC Tucson for the use of county fields. By increasing fees to the club, you are creating a barrier to entry for the youth of this community in one of the poorest large cities in the country. As a county resident and tax payer, this is unacceptable. If the parks are not for the use of children in the community, then what purpose do they serve? The condition of most city fields here is atrocious so access to our county fields is critical.

We have traveled extensively and seen first hand the resources that many other communities provide for their youth. Sadly, Tucson pales in comparison. Soccer, like all youth sports, is not simply about playing a game. For some children, youth sports are the only place they find safety, refuge and a sense of belonging. The ability to participate in youth sports allows children the platform to develop character and confidence, which leads to productive, healthy citizens, a benefit to our entire community.

To burden Tucson families with an increase in fees is simply unjust. Many already struggle to pay the current fees. Let our kids play.

Sincerely,

Amber Adil  
EVP-Capital Markets



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**From:** AC Rodriguez  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Proposed fees for after school program  
**Date:** Sunday, March 13, 2022 5:01:27 PM

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To whom it may concern,

I **do not** support the idea of adding a fee to the after school program for our recreation center here in Catalina, Az. I rely on this program for my children after school to help while I work a full time job and they receive help and socialization with other kids while learning new skills. If fees are implemented, it will make it quite difficult for my childcare situation and they will lose this program that has helped them grow and flourish as an individual. We need to keep this program free for parents like me who have multiple children and rely on this program to help them grow and also help us parents while we work to support our families.

Please reconsider keeping the after school program free. This will benefit all of us, but most importantly, the children.

Warmest regards,

Alexandria Rodriguez, CMA, mother of two

**From:** Catina Leifheit  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Proposed fees of Robles Ranch After School Program  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 9, 2022 2:08:22 PM

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To Whom It May Concern:

March 9, 2022

I have lived out in Three Points majority of my life. As a small girl, I was the type that was given a free or reduced lunch because as a single family out here not making enough money times were tough. Now, I'm a single mother of four children, also, on reduced/free lunches.

It's been brought to my attention about the possibility of NRPR fees for the after school program here at Robles Ranch. Back in 2004, "Tucson Weekly" published how Three Points was doomed with 80% of the students out here on a free/reduced lunch BECAUSE THE FAMILIES OUT HERE LIVE BELOW THE POVERTY LINE. We are struggling enough here in the desert without the help of Pima County officials in granting grants for our children to play safely at Robles Ranch. I remember when Ms. Whitfield started up with the help of NRPR, the after school program, with my own daughter attending at the age of 4, whose now 13 and her younger siblings attend the after school program now (or will be shortly in the next few years with a slight age difference of a year between the younger siblings ages 6,4, and 3).

Between COVID closures of the schools out here that put the parents who are tirelessly working to support their small families and the possibilities of having fees attached to our after school program it becomes more stressful. I don't receive child support for my three younger ones, I work two jobs and I'm in college and I even have a hard time making ends meet on occasion. To add another "bill" two times a year will be hard on me, as I'm already struggling enough currently.

I understand that there's no such thing as a free lunch but our children don't have anything to do out here, it's not like we have the YMCA to go to, or a library either or even an after school program for the younger children (ages say from 5-8) to do. Robles Ranch is supposed to be a place to gather and meet, community services when not in session for holidays or when our children want to play there rather than at the park next to the fire station off Sasabe Road across from the school.

"Three Points a small measure of what it has never had--a center, a place for people to gather", per Mr. Banks from this news article I found. Why add MORE cost to us out here that are already on the poverty line or nearing it. We work hard enough to BARELY support our family and we DO NOT need additional costs for our children to have a place to go while the parents work, they are TOO OLD to go to the daycare or just to have some fun after school, for a place to go and make new friends without worrying about whether or not Mom or Dad paid so they can attend something that should be free. Why is it that to learn something new, have fun playing outside or making new friends from the after school program have to come at a cost? IT SHOULD NOT!

I DECLINE a fee to be opposed for the after school program here at Robles Ranch in Three

Points.

Sincerely,

Catina Leifheit



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Proposed increase fees for parks  
**Date:** Saturday, March 12, 2022 6:56:10 AM

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We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

Sincerely,

Erin Lee Montez

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Kevin Courtney  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Cc:** Mary Ojeda; Robert Ojeda Ojeda; James Ojeda; George; tschmidt@azinjurylaw.com  
**Subject:** Proposed Increase in lighting fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 9:57:01 PM

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Dear County Supervisors:

Four of my grandchildren play soccer on county fields and we greatly appreciate the county's support for youth soccer. Due to the heat in Tucson, soccer lights are a necessity. Please find another revenue source rather than charging FC Tucson and other teams additional fees for their use of these fields. In the long run, making it affordable for children to play soccer and have healthy activities is a much better alternative than spending money on problem youth. Keep reducing the number of folks in our county jail and invest the savings in our youth.

There are nine voting adults in our family and nine children. We support the county's bonds and efforts to make Pima a great place to raise families. Thanks for your consideration.

Kevin Courtney  




**From:** CJ  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Proposed NRPR Fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 21, 2022 11:45:47 AM

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**Please do not raise the fees for the public shooting ranges.**

Staff has consistently told me that the ranges are self sustaining at the current rates.

I have personally seen the lines and crowds at the ranges during the covid years and you have had record turnout, there should be no need to increase the rates after that level of income.

Chuck Juenemann



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**From:** [nathan brady](#)  
**To:** [NRPR Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Proposed park use fees  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 7:09:20 AM

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Good day,

My name is Nathan and I am the parent of an athlete who plays for FC Tucson. We have been made aware that there is a proposed \$35,000 increase to use Brandi Fenton and Rillito. Unfortunately this increase will likely create a financial situation that will cause me to have to remove my son from soccer. With the increase in gas and grocery I am sure there are many families that are barely making it. Sports are a getaway for these kids. I time they get to enjoy hanging out and playing sports with their close friends. This increase will prevent many of those kids from enjoying the one thing they look forward to.

**From:** [Melissa Galus](#)  
**To:** [NBPR Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Raise in fees on parks  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 8:38:42 PM

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Hello,

We have heard that you plan to raise the cost of field usage for youth sports. We are very opposed to an increase as this will most likely push more families to the point where they cannot afford to keep their kids involved. Which means less active kids. Sports not only keeps kids active but teaches discipline and respect. Please do not raise fees, making it harder for families to do what's best for their kids.

Thank you,  
Melissa

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Edmund D. SCHWENN  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Raising Fees for shooting ranges  
**Date:** Saturday, March 19, 2022 2:39:10 PM

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Lowering fees at the clay target range would be more appropriate.

You have matched Tucson Trap and Skeet Club fees since opening this range but you have none of the facilities. A trailer for a bathroom, no water to drink (you charge for bottled water) and no means for a snack ! Yet the political arrangement made with that club dictate the fees be the same. Shameless !!

With renewed interest in shooting the Rifle range is grossly understaffed and overcrowded with a waiting list becoming the normal.

Here there is water (hot water during the summer months)

But no other amenities !

How about expanding the shooting range to where it can actually accommodate the volume of shooters!

THEN perhaps raising the fees might be appropriate!!

Ed Schwenn

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Raising fees on County Parks  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 7:53:50 AM

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We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games.

Cheers,  
Adam Goldstein, CFP®, MSFS, CPFA

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**From:** RACHEL ARENDT  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Raising fees  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 12:19:26 PM

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I have been made aware that there is to be an increase in the fees for the use of Brandi Fenton and Rillito parks. My sons practice on these fields. Sports provide them and many kids in Tucson a good way to stay active, learn how to work with others, and stay out of trouble. Making it more expensive will cause an increased burden on families and possibly prevent some from participating at all.  
Thanks for your consideration of this matter.

Rachel Temkin

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Response to proposed fee increase  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 10:12:21 AM

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Good morning,

I am writing regarding the proposed new fees for the use of Rillito and Brandi Fenton Parks.

Pima County parents continue struggling to get their families back to a sense of normalcy in the wake of two years of pandemic restrictions that have taken an extreme toll on our children's mental and physical health. Increasing fees for youth sports will make it that more cost prohibitive to get our kids into the sports activities they so desperately need right now. Now is not the time to raise fees on kids youth sports at these parks.

I vehemently oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games.

Thank you for listening.

Charles Pickard

Pima County parent and resident

**From:** Lin Zhang  
**To:** NRPB Fees  
**Subject:** Rillito and Brandi Fenton Parks  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 2:21:30 PM

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Hello,

As parents whose kids play soccer on Rillito and Brandi Fenton Parks, we oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. The fees associated with soccer clubs are already high. Increasing the fees of Rillito and Brandi Fenton Parks will prevent many kids from continuing participating in soccer. Please reconsider it. Thanks.

Best,  
Lin



**From:** Michael Wintory  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Save Pima County-parks youth use! youth  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 6:32:44 PM

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**To Whom it may concern:**

I am urging you to join me in the effort to oppose the County increasing or adding any new fees for Youth Sports Clubs who use county parks for training and soccer games. I pay taxes so parks can be used for youth activities. Adding a double tax to use the parks is wrong and would have a devastating impact on this vital youth program. I urge you to keep youth sports on the soccer fields in Pima County.

Sincerely,

Michael L Wintory  
MSGT USAF Retired  
Marana, AZ 85658



**From:** Tuco Benedicto  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** SERP & TMP fee increase  
**Date:** Sunday, March 20, 2022 1:32:59 PM

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I reviewed the proposed fee increase for the S.E. Regional Park & Tucson Mountain Park shooting ranges. Both shooting ranges are overwhelmed with users and are in dire need of expansion, not only in capacity but in distances able to shoot. This must be done in order to justify price increases on facilities that at times cannot even be used satisfactorily.

In 2021, I tried visiting the TMP range with my daughters for safety training. I drove a long distance to the range. When I arrived, the parking lot was full and the range officer said there was a long waiting list (estimated 2hr plus) of even hoping to use the range. We decided to leave and drove into the desert to shoot. It turns out the Pima County desert was completely littered with trash and remnant shells from people. Some of which were possibly "turned away" from the range as we were.

In 2021/2022, I visited the SERP range many times. (about 20-25 times). The range is often at 90+ percent capacity. People waiting on benches to enjoy what they paid for is a common sight.

Both ranges are extremely limited in the distances able to shoot. TMP is 100 yards and SERP is 200 yards. These were sufficient distances in the 1920s-1970s. However, today's average commonplace optics and firearms are far more capable than 50 to 100 years ago. If a price increase were to be adopted, then it must be accompanied by both capacity & capability expansions.

Rene Martinez  


**From:** Myrna Ortega  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Sobre el conro  
**Date:** Thursday, March 10, 2022 9:40:40 AM

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Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Kim Eysoldt  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Soccer fields proposed field use increase  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 9:28:28 PM

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> Good afternoon, County Officials:  
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> We are writing in opposition of the proposed fee increase for county fields families are already struggling to meet the increased cost of living here in Tucson. We don't have the capacity to absorb another increase, and want to continue being able to have our daughter participate in her soccer club training. Please reconsider and reject the proposed increase.  
>  
> Sincerely,  
>  
> Kim and Newton James  
> Tucson, AZ  
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>  
> Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [carlos.arroyave](#)  
**To:** [NRPR\\_Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Stop the increase of fees for recreational parks.  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 7:14:24 AM

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we oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games." many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong. Now the price of gas is extremely expensive every day is going up more and more, we have to travel to take our kids to practice and games

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**From:** Petru Floruta  
**To:** NRPR\_Fees  
**Subject:** WE GREATLY OPPOSE THE FEES ON COUNTY FIELDS  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 10:38:23 AM

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To Whom It May Concern,

We greatly oppose the county raising fees for those who use the fields for sports training and games.

Please reorganize your budget another way that doesn't directly impact youth activities.

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Petru Floruta

**From:** Petru Floruta  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** WE OPPOSE ADDITIONAL FEES ON COUNTY FIELDS  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 10:37:51 AM

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To Whom It May Concern,

We greatly oppose the county raising fees for those who use the fields for sports training and games.

Please reorganize your budget another way that doesn't directly impact youth activities.

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Petru Floruta

**From:** Michelle Winton  
**To:** NBPR Fees  
**Subject:** We oppose fee increases for youth soccer  
**Date:** Monday, March 14, 2022 2:35:36 PM

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We are opposed to the proposed increased fee for youth soccer clubs using county fields for training and games. Fees as they stand now are barely affordable to have our daughter in an activity that benefits both her physical and mental health. We already pay taxes to these parks and we find this double tax to be unfair and a detriment to getting kids involved in sports. Please help our daughter and other Tucson youth soccer players to continue to enjoy soccer by saying NO to increased fees and even considering REDUCING fees so more kids can play!

Thank you for your time and consideration,  
Michelle and Robert Winton  
FC Tucson Youth Parents



**From:** Ruth Carrero  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** We oppose  
**Date:** Monday, March 7, 2022 5:17:55 PM

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**From:** [Andrew Ibarra](#)  
**To:** [NRPR Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Youth Sports Club Fee Increase  
**Date:** Thursday, March 10, 2022 9:22:13 PM

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To whom it may concern,

I oppose the county increasing/adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games. Many soccer families are barely able to afford to participate now with existing fees and the timing of this couldn't be worse. Since the beginning of the pandemic participation in youth sports has dropped off dramatically. At a time when we are desperately trying to get our kids off the couch and outdoors a raise in fees couldn't be more ill-advised. We all pay taxes so we can have parks. This "double tax" to use the parks is just wrong.

Andrew  
Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Chris Fraker  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** youth sports fees for public parks  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 8:25:38 AM

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Hello,

We oppose the county increasing or adding new fees for youth sports clubs who use county parks for training and games.

Chris and Sara Fraker

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Chris Fraker





**From:** [CRAIG WISNOM](#)  
**To:** [NRPR Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Comment on Range Fees  
**Date:** Monday, March 21, 2022 8:34:53 AM

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I want to comment on the proposed increase for range fees at the shooting range.

An increase from \$8 to \$10 is a very, very reasonable increase, given how long it's been since any adjustment. This is an incredibly valuable service, one of the best the county provides, and I would happily pay more to make sure it continues to run as well as it does. Thank you!

Craig Wisnom

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Comments on fee schedule  
**Date:** Monday, February 28, 2022 3:06:04 PM

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Good afternoon:

The fee schedule appears to be well thought out. Some of the expense needs to be borne by those using the services, and the prices seem very fair.

BUT check lines 27-28: "adults years of age and oder" occurs in two places. Editing needed to ADD age of adults and correct word to 'older'.

Regards,  
Mary Graf  
Tucson, 85745

**From:** Steve Charlson  
**To:** NRPB Fees  
**Subject:** Fees for services  
**Date:** Monday, February 28, 2022 8:02:00 PM

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I'm in favor of raising fees slightly higher than suggested with a "pay what you can" enforcement schedule. Give us the opportunity to be generous and responsible and everyone wins.

This might be dated. Retailers with generous return policies used to profit from public trust. At worst, the results from such policies paint an accurate picture of our collective souls. Maybe that's at best, too.

**From:** [Ruth Edmark](#)  
**To:** [NRPR Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Fees  
**Date:** Monday, February 28, 2022 7:54:47 PM

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I am okay with raising the fees  
Ruth Edmark

Sent from my iPhone



**From:** Roberta Kurtz  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** new fees  
**Date:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 10:47:43 AM

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I am glad you are raising fees for the shooting ranges and for Agua Caliente groups. I don't like that you are raising the cost of after-school programs for children. Many working parents can't afford that. It's a huge increase from free to \$40/month.

Roberta Kurtz

**From:** Jennifer Lorchi  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Park Fees Comment  
**Date:** Thursday, March 17, 2022 1:33:39 AM

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Hello:

The rates seem low and it makes sense to raise them (coming from someone who can afford the current rates as well if rates were raised within reason). I would also like to see more state funding come to Tucson. After being in Phoenix for the weekend, it is clear that they receive much more state funding for parks and green spaces.

Thank you,  
Jennifer Selco  
Jefferson Park, 85719

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [carole mills](#)  
**To:** [NRPR Fees](#)  
**Subject:** Parks and recreation  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 1, 2022 12:26:59 PM

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I agree that we need to increase the fees to cover more costs to keep these places wonderful for future generations.

**From:** JM  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Proposed fee increases  
**Date:** Monday, February 28, 2022 4:39:18 PM

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Dear Pima County Supervisory Board Chair and Members,

I am in agreement with the proposed rate/fee changes with one concern; namely, the increase in fees for the Community Center Summer After School and Summer Youth Programs. While nominal, the fees are a huge increase from "free". I support considerations you may be making to establish a sliding fee scale for these programs.

Respectfully,  
Jean M Maldonado

**From:** Edson Egger  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Proposed rates for county facilities  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 1, 2022 2:34:54 PM

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I don't use any of the county facilities so I have no problem with letting the users pay the fees. Why should I, a county taxpayer, subsidize them?

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** NRPR Fees  
**Subject:** Propsed Fees  
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Well if user fees means halting the high property taxes here, then you probably should do it. I never thought that my property taxes in AZ would exceed them here but Oro Valley's property taxes are beginning to exceed, no are exceeding, CA's levels.

Tony Apolloni

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**From:** Julianne Haut  
**To:** NRFR Fees  
**Subject:** Raise fees a little  
**Date:** Monday, February 28, 2022 3:15:09 PM

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Hello...I realize prices for all goods and services have risen lately so I think a small increase in fees is fine. Thank you.