Wow, it is September already!

This summer may have moved at a slower pace, but it's been full of meaningful progress. While we awaited the completion of the bid packages, the Recreation Foundation stayed busy—actively promoting the Aquatic Center and organizing tours and speaking engagements to spread the word. Their efforts highlighted that WECRD is not only a collaborative and dedicated team, but also one that remains committed to the long-standing mission that started years ago.

Although some in the community may still have reservations about the progress and the choice to build an Aquatic Center, embracing the full vision and potential of the facility will highlight the tremendous benefits it offers. This center is poised to provide year-round opportunities for recreation, health and wellness, social engagement, job creation, and so much more.

Though ongoing taxes to support the center may not be ideal, they are a necessary investment in bringing such a remarkable amenity to our community. These funds will not only sustain the center's operations and upkeep but also enable future enhancements throughout the broader property. To supplement this support, WECRD is committed to actively pursuing fundraising efforts and applying for applicable grants to sustain ongoing programs and drive future development.

As always, please direct any questions to <u>office@wecrd.org</u>, and we will do our best to provide an answer. You are also welcome to attend our monthly board meeting, held every Wednesday at 6 PM. Dates and times are published on our website and Facebook.

For more information, please visit our website at www.wecrd.org.

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