

DOROTHEA DIX PARK FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Who owns Dorothea Dix Park?

On July 24th, 2015, the City of Raleigh purchased the 308-acre Dorothea Dix Campus from the State of North Carolina for \$52 million.

Does the State lease a large portion of the Park?

Yes, the City leases back portions of Dorothea Dix Park to the State for their administrative operations of the NC Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). Nearly 2,000 DHHS employees currently work at Dix.

What is the Dix Park Conservancy?

The Dix Park Conservancy is the City's non-profit partner supporting the planning of Dorothea Dix Park. For more information, visit the Conservancy website: www.dixparkconservancy.org.

Can I go out there and use the park?

Yes, Dorothea Dix Park is open to the public daily from dawn to dusk. However, since DHHS headquarters is also there, we ask that visitors be respectful of employees and avoid all buildings and parking lots during business hours. Please note, all City of Raleigh ordinances and park rules apply at Dorothea Dix Park.

What's going on at the park?

There are a variety of upcoming programs, events and activities. Visit the City's website to find out more!

Where can I park?

There is currently limited public parking available during business hours. After business hours there will designated parking lots available for public use. The City's website noted below will have additional details as they become available.

Are their restrooms and/or concessions available at the park?

Currently there are porta johns but no concessions at the park. Please come prepared!

Can I host an event at Dorothea Dix Park?

Yes, if you are interested in hosting an event at Dorothea Dix Park please contact the City's Special Events Office at (919) 996-2200. There are certain fees, permitting requirements, reservation limitations, etc., that you will need to consider.

What's the plan for Dorothea Dix Park?

The City of Raleigh will initiate a master planning process in 2017. There will be significant opportunities for public involvement during the master planning process.

Where can I get more information?

Visit the City's website: https://www.raleighnc.gov/keyword search "Dorothea Dix Park."

Who should I contact?

All questions and inquiries about Dorothea Dix Park should be directed to Kate Pearce with the City of Raleigh Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Department at kate.pearce@raleighnc.gov or (919) 996-4855.