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Rec District Celebrates Earth Day with Art Pop-Up Event

"A family friendly walk-through art event for all ages, Covid safe, and community oriented."

Paradise, CA, 4/5/2021 – The Paradise Recreation and Park District (District) announced today an Art Pop-Up Event to celebrate Earth Day at the Terry Ashe Recreation Center (TARC). The April 22nd, 2021 event will run from 3:00 pm-5:00 pm and in keeping with COVID restrictions, the outdoor event will have a drop in approach. Participants will be able to contribute art with "upcycling" of re-useable materials on their own schedule.

Recreation Specialist and local artist, Jess Mercer is organizing the event and noted that the event will provide, "A COVID-informed way to celebrate Earth Day and contributed to a Community-oriented art pop up using upcycled materials."

Mercer will join upcycle artist Luann Manss DiRienzo for the event. Mercer added, "The community is invited to join the fun of creating an art piece as a collaboration by strolling through the basketball court at Terry Ashe Rec Center and adding their "piece" to the project."

Community members are encouraged to bring old pieces of fabric that can be "upcycled" in this case, tied onto a single chain link fence panel." Mercer added, "We hope to create a greater image when complete, to show off the fabric of our community as one."

Each participant will be able to add fabric to the art community piece, draw/write on Butte County Art on Wheels van and share in the joy of creating an upcycled art piece with their community.

Mercer enthusiastically added, "Supplies will be provided if need, free to all community members, and all ages welcome! Come by and join in the fun, hope to see you there!"

The TARC is located at 6626 Skyway in Paradise, CA.

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Since 1948, the Paradise Recreation and Park District provides recreation facilities and programs to the residents of Paradise, the Butte Creek Canyon area, and the unincorporated communities of Magalia/Paradise Pines and Concow/Yankee Hill. The District serves 50,000 people living in a 170-square mile area and manages over 1,000 acres of park land and facilities.

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