Division of Athletics, Recreation, Special Projects & Programs

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Summary/Abstract

Through our Department of Special Programs and Projects, the Division of Athletics, Recreation, Special Projects and Programs is in the forefront of providing athletics outreach to local neighborhoods, the state, and even overseas audiences. We provide complimentary use of the university's athletic facilities to community groups; we offer student athlete sports clinics for young people; we make holiday visits to hospitals; and offer many other similar services.

More than 150 school, charitable, governmental, and private organizations use UMass Boston athletic facilities for over 2,100 hours each year as participants or spectators. Along with the university's Office of Community Relations and the Division of Student Affairs, the division provides staff support to the Urban Mission Coordinating Committee and manages the Harbor Point Agreement to ensure harmonious neighborhood relations. With the Department of Africana Studies, the Division implements the international exchange program YES (Youth, Education, and Sports) with Africa, a multiethnic, coeducational sports and leadership initiative that is currently based in Senegal and Benin and has served over 1,500 African youth.

Community Outreach

Below is the list of some of our community partners:

- Boston Buddy Walk for Down Syndrome
- Boston Medical Pediatric Visit
- Breast Cancer Walk
- Bruins Coaching Symposium
- Chelsea High School - Mini Track Clinic
- City Kicks Soccer Clinic at Dorchester Armory
- City Volleyball Clinic
- Claremont Soccer Clinic
- Cycling for a Cure
- Fidelity House Clinic
- Food for Hunger UMass Boston
- Franklin Park Coalition
- Fundraising Clinic in Conjunction with PrimeTime
- G-Force Invisible Athletes Forum
- Helping Hands UMass Boston
- Homes for Our Troops Build a Home
- Homes for Our Troops Auction
- Hyde Park DCF
- KP basketball clinic King Philip High School
- Lawrence Family Development Charter School
- Malden Youth Basketball
- MassPac
- Meriting Attention Basketball Clinic
- Metro Soccer
- MLK Day of Service
- Nantucket Boys and Girls Club
- Pan Mass Challenge Pan Mass Challenge Cancer Research
- Promising Pals Program
- Read for the Record
- Stride Life Walk
- The Match Registry UMass
- Think Pink
- YES Africa breast cancer walk

Facility Use

Below is the list of some of our partners who use our facilities:

- Bay State Breakers
- Bay State Games
- Boston Center for Independent Living
- Boston College High School
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Lynn
- Boston Police Dive Team
- Boston Public Schools
- Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu Tournament
- Camp Shriver
- Daniel Marr Boys & Girls Club
- Gators Swim Team-West Roxbury YMCA
- Hyde Park Youth Hockey
- Louis Saunders Memorial Basketball Tournament
- Mayor's Cup Youth Hockey Tournament
- Massachusetts State Cricket League
- MIAA-South Sectional Basketball tournament
- Milton Academy
- New England Senior Hockey League (Northeastern University)
- Notre Dame Academy
- Public Safety (RAD Training)
- San Jose Junior Sharks Hockey Club
- Smith Leadership Academy
- South Boston Neighborhood House
- Special Olympics
- St. Mary's Devils
- Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation
- TAG Summer Camp
- Westwood Youth Ice Hockey

Community Outreach

- UMB Women's Soccer – Think Pink Game
- UMB Women's Basketball – Breast Cancer Walk
- UMB Baseball - Franklin Park Coalition
- UMB Softball - Down Syndrome Walk
- Men's Ice Hockey Read for the Record
- Men's and Women's Ice Hockey skate with the Lawrence Charter Schools
- Community Outreach
- Facility Use