Winter Activities

Lead is known as the Mile High City, which brings cold and snowy winters. A safe and established sledding hill and ice rink were the two items most requested by the community. These types of facilities would increase the recreational opportunities for the community and provide safe spaces in the winter months. When considering updating or expanding park facilities, Lead should consider winter recreational opportunities, including the potential of dual season facilities. Collaborative efforts between the City of Lead, local community groups and the school district should be encouraged to help develop and host engaging winter activities such as:

- Snowmobile trails
- Cross-county snowshoeing/skiing
- Downhill skiing
- Sledding
- Ice Skating

The Handley Center serves as the community's main indoor recreational center providing a track, exercise equipment, studios, and a basketball court. The center also provides a space for activities such as basketball tournaments and roller-skating nights. The center is accessible to the public with a membership fee. The facility is currently owned and operated by a non-profit and receives funding subsidies from the City.



Community feedback showed hopes of seeing updates to the facility and equipment. Due to the limited indoor recreational options in Lead, the City of Lead should work closely with the facility to encourage updates meet the recreational needs of the community, explore the feasibility of partnership agreements, and promote community engagement and input.

