

CELEBRATING 60 YEARS OF GROWING GREAT PARKS



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Explore big trucks and heavy equipment during free community event**

*Wheels & Squeals to feature family-friendly activities, quiet hour on June 25 at Waterford Oaks*

**WATERFORD, MI – June 17, 2026** – Police cars, bulldozers, construction equipment and many other types of vehicles are out on the road every day helping to keep Oakland County communities moving forward. During Wheels & Squeals, a Touch a Truck event, families can get up close and personal with these mighty vehicles from 4:30-8 p.m. June 25 at Waterford Oaks County Park, sponsored by Xfinity.

This family-friendly event will feature a variety of large vehicles for children to explore. They can climb up behind the steering wheel, flip on the lights and see what the insides of these large vehicles look like. Families can also speak with professional operators to learn more about their jobs and the important roles they play in the community every day.

“This hands-on activity is perfect for children who are fascinated by big trucks and how machinery works,” Recreation Program Supervisor Melissa Nawrocki said. “It’s also a great opportunity to connect with individuals and organizations that serve Oakland County.”

New this year is the "Give-it-a-Try" BMX Session. Waterford Oaks is home to the Waterford Oaks Bicycle Motocross track, one of the oldest continually operated tracks in the world. During Wheels & Squeals, guests of all ages can experience the thrill of the .25-mile championship track firsthand with bikes provided by Waterford Oaks BMX volunteers. To participate, guests must wear long sleeves, long pants and closed-toe shoes.

Additional activities at Wheels & Squeals include food trucks, music and plenty of photo opportunities. The Huron-Clinton Metroparks will distribute more than 500 free life jackets to help promote safe recreation on the water.

The event is designed to be inclusive, with a quiet time from 4:30-5:30 p.m. During this hour, sirens, horns and other loud noises associated with large trucks will be significantly reduced.

Oakland County Parks' Quiet Zone will also be on site with sensory regulation tools like noise-reducing headphones and fidget tools available for use free of charge.

The event is free and open to the public. Parking is available on site and guests are encouraged to dress for the weather.

For more information, call 248-858-0916.

For information on other events, visit [OaklandCountyParks.com](https://OaklandCountyParks.com). Join the conversation on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#).