

# City of Dodge Center Newsletter



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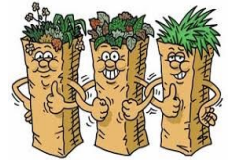


All City Offices will be closed Monday, September 5 for Labor Day.

Have a safe and restful Labor Day!

## 2022 Brush Dump

The brush dump is free to Dodge Center residents Tuesday-Saturday 8AM-7PM, weather permitting.



## CHILD CARE SURVEY FOR DODGE COUNTY



Child care needs have been impacting our families and workforce long before the pandemic of 2020. Dodge County would like to get your feedback to help us better understand the needs of our citizens that are searching for safe spaces for their children to receive care. With your response, it will help the Dodge County staff and leaders identify the needs in our County so we can help get people back in the workforce, learn about the cost that child care has on families, and also gain perspective on where the greatest need is for what age category.

It is quick and easy to take the survey. If you have a smartphone or tablet, simply open the camera app, aim it at the QR code, tap the link that appears on your screen and the survey will open. Follow along and answer the questions and submit your answers at the end. We appreciate your time taking this survey.

If you are interested in learning more about how you can become a child care provider in Dodge County, please contact 507-635-6304 or email [laura.qualey@cedausa.com](mailto:laura.qualey@cedausa.com).



## Dodge Center Library Message Center

**Library Programs: Friends of the Library Book & DVD Sale**  
September 17–23. Everything \$1.00 or less!

**Crafternoon** – teens and adults, learn mandala dot painting at the library Wednesday September 14th between 3–5pm.

**Pokemon Craft** – kids, create your own Pokemon from air dry clay Tuesday, September 27 at 5:30.

**Storytime for young children** – every Monday at 10 am.

**Storytime for young children outside at Lions' Park** – every Wednesday at 10am

**Knitting and Crocheting** – every Thursday 9am–noon and Mondays from 1–3pm.

**Fiction Book Club** – 4th Tuesday of the month at 2pm. September's book is "Leave No Trace" by Mindy Mejia.

**History Book Club** – last Thursday of the month at 6pm. September's book is "Little House in the Big Woods" by Laura Ingalls Wilder.



The library will be closed Saturday, September 3 & Monday, September 5 for Labor Day.

### Library hours:

Monday: 10-5      Thursday: 10-7  
Tuesday: 10-7      Friday: 10-5  
Wednesday: 10-5      Saturday: 9-12

Dodge Center Public Library  
13 1st Ave NW  
507-374-2275

For the most up to date information find us at:

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## Dodge Center Off-Leash Dog Park Survey

The Dodge Center Park Board is looking into potentially moving forward with an off-leash dog park, and looking for more information. Creek Park is the chosen location, fencing off a small area within the park. This will still allow for plenty of open space at Creek Park for all to enjoy. The board is looking for input from all residents, whether you have a dog or not. Please complete the survey and return it to City Hall by **September 20, 2022**. You can also complete the survey online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WTZJH67>

1. A dog park is a large fenced area where dogs can run with other dogs and play off-leash with their owners. Do you think Dodge Center could benefit from a dog park?

- Yes
- No

2. Would you use the dog park?

- Yes
- No, I have a dog
- No, I don't have a dog

3. How often do you think you would use the dog park? (Please select one)

- Daily
- Once a week
- Multiple times a week
- Once a month
- Multiple times a month
- I don't use dog parks

4. What are your greatest concerns about having a dog park at Creek Park? (select up to two)

- No concerns
- Safety of dogs
- Safety of people
- Location
- Maintenance
- Animal waste
- Overuse

5. Would you be willing to volunteer to help: (select all that apply)

- Clean
- Fundraise
- Landscape
- Not at this time

6. Would you be willing to donate to the dog park?

- \$5-10
- \$26-50
- \$101 and up
- \$11-25
- \$51-100
- Not at this time

7. If you are interested in volunteering/donating, please share your name and preferred contact information (phone/email, or mailing address)