



Rancho Simi

RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT

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RANCHO SIMI RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICTS' DAN PARANICK NAMED GENERAL MANAGER OF THE YEAR

The Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District is pleased to announce that General Manager Dan Paranick was recently honored by the Ventura County Special Districts Association as **General Manager of the Year** at their annual awards banquet which was held virtually this year.

Paranick was recognized for his visionary leadership and community commitment after doing an outstanding job for the residents of Simi Valley and Oak Park. In 2020, under the leadership of the Board of Directors, Dan and District staff completed the move to their new main office the Activity Center, secured a \$1million grant to extend the Arroyo Greenway Trail, completed multiple projects including Woolsey and Easy Fire recovery, Berylwood Skate Plaza, and Strathearn Colony House. At the direction of the Board of Directors, the District also began televising Board Meetings to increase transparency, implemented a new community outreach and promotion plan, moved forward with new projects for Rancho Santa Susana Community Park and the Activity Center, all while maintaining a balanced budget despite the \$3.5 million negative budget impact as a result of COVID, among other accomplishments.

As District Manager, Paranick oversees the day-to-day operations of the Park District which encompasses the communities of both Simi Valley and Oak Park and includes 51 parks, 2 traditional golf courses, 3 disc golf courses, 2 equestrian centers, 2 dog parks, 2 historical parks, 80 miles of maintained trails, a community pool, and when fully operational, 11 before & after school clubs, dozens of community events, 3300+ classes and activities, nearly 350 employees, and an equal number of volunteers.

Paranick was hired by the Districts' Board of Directors in August 2018. Prior to that, he served nearly 25 years in county and city government as Interim City Manager and Assistant City Manager with the cities of Ventura, Camarillo and Simi Valley.

The Park Districts' Chairman of the Board, Brian Dennert, expressed his appreciation of Paranicks' dedication stating "Dan earned this award by bringing people together and building consensus on our goals. He has worked on challenging issues with the needs of our community as his focus."

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