

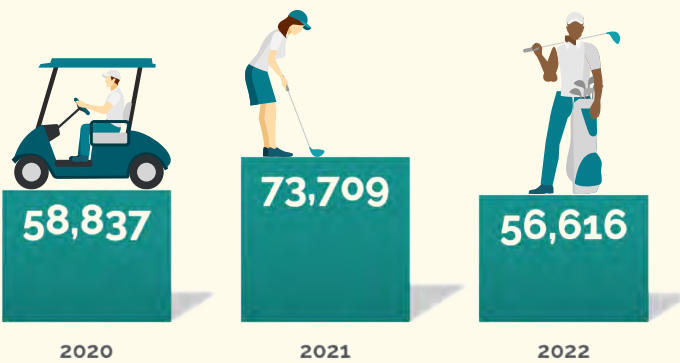
GILLESPIE GOLF COURSE



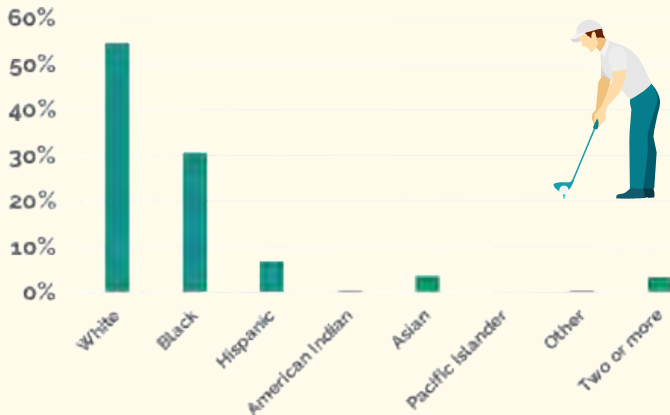
GREENSBORO
Parks & Recreation



Annual Visitation



*Visitor Ethnicity



1493
ROUNDS PLAYED
on the
SHORT COURSE

22,990
BUCKETS OF
BALLS HIT



48,415
ROUNDS OF GOLF
PLAYED

\$2M
THE CITY OF GREENSBORO
IS INVESTING
IN GILLESPIE

**Between 2020 and 2022*



The Greensboro Six

On December 7, 1955, one week after Rosa Parks refused to give her bus seat to a white man, the "Greensboro Six," a group of heroic black men were arrested for daring to play the white-only golf course. After their arrest, the case moved through the courts and was argued before the US Supreme Court. The court ruled 5-4 against the Greensboro Six, but due to a related federal civil court decision, *Simpkins et al. v. City of Greensboro*, Gillespie was to be integrated. The day before that was to happen, the clubhouse was torched and the City decided to close the course, selling off half the property. In 1962, the city voted to open Gillespie Golf Course to all Greensboro residents.

**Demographics are based on a True Trade Area capturing 70% of visits over the last three years | Data source: Census 2019*

Building community through transformative programming.



PGA HOPE

PGA HOPE (Helping Our Patriots Everywhere) introduces Veterans and Active Duty Military to enhance their physical, mental, social, and emotional well-being. The program began in the spring of 2017 at Gillespie and was the 2nd chartered program in the state of North Carolina. This eight week program is conducted in the spring and fall, and averages between 25- 35 veterans each week.



Adaptive Golf

Adaptive golf clinics started in 2016 for amputees. We partnered with The Greensboro Elks lodge and conducted fundraisers for adaptive equipment. The clinics would average 8-10 individuals per week.

As the program developed it changed to include anyone with a disability.



PGA, Jr. League

The PGA Jr. League was formed in 2018. Originally a 13u team, the program has expanded to include a 17u team. Teams support an average of ten kids and play matches against other teams in Greensboro. All Gillespie athletes come from the First Tee program.



First Tee - Central Carolina

First Tee – Central Carolina hosts after-school classes camps, tournaments and clinics for kids age 5-18. First Tee serves over 300 kids annually at Gillespie, including those from partners at Greensboro Parks and Recreation, Greensboro Housing Authority, Hayes-Taylor YMCA, and Guilford Country Schools.



Night Glow Golf



Gillespie is also experimenting with new ways to engage our residents. In 2022, Parks and Recreation hosted "Night Glow Golf," serving almost a hundred members of our community.

Foot Golf

In 2020, Greensboro Parks and Recreation worked with Gillespie staff to provide opportunities for the community to safely recreate during the pandemic. Foot Golf was a big hit, with lots of residents and staff participation.

