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**Foothills Park & Recreation District events**

**Santa and Mrs. Claus came to Foothills**

It was quite a sight at Foothills Park & Recreation District's Peak Community & Wellness Center on Friday, Dec. 7 as over 80 children were buzzing for the arrival of Santa during the Visit with Santa event. Parents strolled in with their children dressed in their holiday best, some were newborns while others reached up to age six. Everyone enjoyed light snacks as Mrs. Claus told holiday stories. Mrs. Claus also led sing-a-long holiday songs with the children and their parents. One child exclaimed, "I knew all the songs you were singing!" Parents snapped photos rapidly during the individual visits each child had with Santa. Only Santa knows of the holiday wishes shared by the eager children.

"The Visit with Santa event is a great kick off to the holiday season and such a special time to see children's faces light up with excitement," said Ellen Stephan, Supervisor of Children's Programs. "This is our fifth year to offer the event and it provides parents a relaxed environment to introduce their young ones to the Santa experience".

For more information about Foothills Park & Recreation District events and programs, please call 303-409-2100 or visit [www.ifoohills.org](http://www.ifoohills.org)

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*Foothills Park & Recreation District, founded in 1959, serves a 28 square mile area of unincorporated Jefferson County generally bounded by Hampden Avenue south to C-470 from Sheridan Boulevard west to the Dakota Hogback. The District operates the Ridge Recreation Center, the Edge Ice Arena, Lilley Gulch Recreation Center, the Peak Community and Wellness Center, four outdoor swimming pools, Indoor Sports Arena, Foothills Golf Course complex, Meadows Golf Course, and 70 park sites totaling more than 2,400 acres and including four regional parks, 42 neighborhood and community parks and 24 greenbelts. In addition Foothills manages six regional trail corridors for*

*public use, which, combined with park trails, total more than 31 miles. For more information visit [www.ifoohills.org](http://www.ifoohills.org) , or call (303) 409-2100.*