



Chicago Park District Youth Ice & Gymnastics Facility

Chicago, Illinois

HSP has been utilized twice by the Chicago Park District on an evolving project. In the first iteration in 2011, a private developer approached the Chicago Park District about joint development and management of a two-sheet ice-facility to serve the needs of the southern portion of Chicago. In the second iteration in 2013 through 2014, the second ice sheet was replaced with a gymnastics facility, which had long been an underserved need in the community.

In both instances, CPD enlisted Hunden Strategic Partners to assess the feasibility of the facility. The analysis included a profile of existing ice sport and gymnastics participation locally and regionally, an analysis of current recreational center trends, a study of comparable and competitive facilities in the region, and demand and financial projections of a new facility.

Construction on the 64,000-square foot facility broke ground in 2014 and encompasses seating for 850 to 1,000, skate rentals, concessions areas, meeting and party rooms, viewing areas, offices, restrooms and team locker rooms.

Client: Chicago Parks District

Time Period: 2011; 2013 - 2014