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## City to Host Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony for New Outdoor Pickleball Courts

WHO:	Parks and Recreation Department
WHAT:	Ribbon-Cutting of Outdoor Pickleball Courts
WHEN:	1:30 p.m. Thursday, April 3
WHERE:	Skyline Optimist Youth Park, 5050 Yvette Ave.

Get ready to serve up some fun at the City Parks and Recreation Department hosts a grand opening of new Pickleball Courts at Skyline Optimist Youth Park, 5050 Yvette Ave.

The festivities begin with a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 1:30 p.m. followed by free matches. The event is open to the public, and visitors are encouraged to bring their paddles.

The newly completed outdoor pickleball courts are a \$80,000 park improvement managed by the Parks and Recreation Department through the City of El Paso District 4 Discretionary Fund and the Parkland Dedication Fund. Improvements include converting tennis courts into six dedicated pickleball courts, new fencing and benches.

The addition of the pickleball courts transforms Skyline Optimist Youth Park into a more vibrant outdoor park for visitors of all ages.

## About Pickleball

Pickleball is a paddle sport combining elements of tennis, badminton, and pingpong, played on a smaller court with a net and a perforated plastic ball. The sport got its name from the "pickle boat" in crew races, which was a team made of leftover rowers. Pickleball is one of the fastest-growing sports, bringing people of all ages together for fitness, fun, and friendly competition

For more information about the City of El Paso Parks and Recreation Department, visit www.ElPasoTexas.gov/parks.

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