

**CITY OF RACINE BOARD OF HEALTH
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DEPARTMENT: Laboratory Division

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Highlights

Date	Meeting	Purpose	Outcome
August – September 2021	Greening Greater Racine	AmeriCorps project	Staff and the AmeriCorps team completed the installation of over 1,900 feet of post and rope fencing to act as exclusionary fencing for visitors and replacement of damaged and failing snow fencing. The AmeriCorps team ended their deployment in Racine County on September 9 th .
September 2021	Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)	Clarification of disaster funding	As of October 1, 2021, the total anticipated award for Sam Myers Park restoration activities is \$885,074.78 (75% federal, 12.5% state, and 12.5% local funding).
September 2021	US Forest Service (USFS)	Upland exclusionary fencing	Staff coordinated the installation of the remaining 110 feet of ornamental fencing at Samuel Myers Park between the upland park and dry prairie.
September 2021	WI DNR Beach Monitoring (PHD Internal & External Partners)	2021 beach monitoring season	Staff and seasonal interns completed beach monitoring efforts for the City of Racine and contracted or requested locations in SE Wisconsin. In total, 538 samples were collected and analyzed to facilitate beach management decisions.
September 30, 2021	American Shore & Beach Preservation Association	Award presentation	Samuel Myers Park was presented with a 2021 Best Restored Shores award by the American Shore & Beach Preservation Association. It was one of three national recipients along with sites in Delaware and North Carolina. Dr. Kinzelman gave the presentation at the 2021 National Coastal Conference in New Orleans (virtually) on behalf of the City of Racine. Founded in 1926, the ASBPA "advocates for healthy, sustainable and resilient coastal systems to sustain four inter-connected core values provided by shores and beaches: community protection, a strong economy, ecologic health, and recreation."