



# Muskegon County Parks

1563 N. Scenic Drive, Muskegon, MI 49445

231-744-3580

[www.muskegoncountyparks.org](http://www.muskegoncountyparks.org)

## MUSKEGON COUNTY PARK CAMPGROUNDS OPEN FOR 2020 CAMPING SEASON

*Pioneer, Meinert and Blue Lake County Parks Open for Camping Friday, June 5 at 8:00 a.m.*

Muskegon, MI – The Muskegon County Park Campgrounds will open for the season to transient campers **Friday, June 5 at 8:00 a.m.**, according to Muskegon County officials. The campgrounds have been closed due to the worldwide COVID-19 crisis, but as the State of Michigan begins the phased reopening process and moves into Phase Four of the statewide plan, Pioneer, Meinert and Blue Lake County Parks will open to camping.

“We’re pleased to be able to reopen the Muskegon County Park Campgrounds because we know our visitors and residents want to get out and safely enjoy the great outdoors in Muskegon County,” said Muskegon County Administrator Mark Eisenbarth. “Our County Park Campgrounds have wide open spaces for people to enjoy.”

“Parks staff has been preparing the parks for campers since mid-April,” Eisenbarth continued, “and Parks staff and Public Health Muskegon County have developed County facility reopening plans and a campground reopening plan to safely open our facilities, with sanitation and disinfection of high-use facilities like restrooms, bathhouses, and park offices of paramount importance.”

While the cleanliness and sanitation of the park restrooms and bathhouses will be enhanced according to recommended guidelines, “We are encouraging campers with RVs (recreational vehicles) to consider using their RV facilities for an extra measure of safety,” said Bob Lukens, Director of the Muskegon County Parks Department. Lukens noted that all three campground parks have sanitary dump stations for RV campers’ use. He also encouraged RV campers to bring along “buddy tanks” to extend their vehicle’s waste holding capacity.

The County’s three day-use parks, Twin Lake, Moore and Patterson County Parks, will open Monday, June 8 at 8:00 a.m. The day-use parks need their water turned on and tested and the bathrooms turned on and sanitized before the parks can be opened, per Public Health Muskegon County standards. The Twin Lake Park concession stand will also open on June 8.

“We encourage visitors and residents using the Muskegon County Park campgrounds and day-use parks to follow the guidelines from the CDC regarding mask usage, social distancing, and group sizes,” Lukens said. “Above all, we want our patrons to be safe and stay healthy when they are using our County outdoor recreation facilities.”

## **Muskegon County Parks**

**Main Parks Phone: 231-744-3580**

**Campground reservations: [www.muskegoncountyparks.org](http://www.muskegoncountyparks.org)**

### **Pioneer County Park**

1563 N. Scenic Drive, Muskegon, MI 49445

Main Parks Office: 231-744-3580

### **Meinert County Park/Pines Campground**

8390 Meinert Road, Montague, MI 49437

Meinert Office: 231-894-4881

### **Blue Lake County Park**

10701 Nichols Road

Holton, MI 49425

Blue Lake Information: 231-894-5574

### **Twin Lake County Park**

6231 Main Street

Twin Lake, MI 49457

Twin Lake Concession Stand: 231-828-5673

### **Moore County Park**

17505 White Road

Bailey, MI 49303

Main Parks Office: 231-744-3580

### **Patterson County Park**

5995 Blackmer Road

Ravenna, MI 49451

Main Parks Office: 231-744-3580