Revitalizing & Repurposing Courts

Strategies to Recondition and Repurpose Courts into Multiuse Facilities

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Purpose of session:

This session will focus on the transformation of older, underutilized courts into new sports play spaces that are embraced by communities nationwide. The session will explore the site identification process, how to spot areas of issue on older surfaces, useful solutions to increase the longevity of courts, and creativity around project design.
The U.S. Soccer Foundation’s Mini-Pitch Initiative began in 2015, and has focused on small, customized, hard-court surfaces which are perfectly suited for organized soccer programs and pick-up games.

The Foundation identifies underutilized areas like vacant lots and empty schoolyards, and transforms them into state-of-the-art soccer pitches to play the game.
Background – Sport-Tech Acrylics Corp.

Sport-Tech Acrylics, Corp. specializes in repair and resurfacing of all types of hard court surfaces such as tennis, pickleball, basketball, futsal and all types of multipurpose play areas using the latest advances in products and technologies. We also work side by side with our sister company, Sport-Tech Construction, to offer a full range of new and rebuilding options for all types of court surfaces.
The Process

• Identify the right space
• Plan your project/Community engagement
• Decision-making/best practices on site
• Customer satisfaction
Step 1: Identify the Right Space

- Age of court
- Planarity of surface
- Slope/drainage
- Nature/extent of cracks (structural vs. surface aging)
Step 2: Plan Your Project

- Community engagement/outreach – where this would be a fit
- Design (sport options, fence options, color options, size options)
- Safety concerns
- Retrofit into old designs
Step 3: Decision-Making

- Scope of work
- Proactive crews – identifying issues on site
- Offering solutions/working with budgets
- Schedules (internal and external)
Step 4: Customer Satisfaction

- Attention to detail
- Managing expectations
- Adaptable to conditions
- Communications (internal and external)
- Follow ups, minor adjustments
Case Study 1 – James Baird State Park

Proposed Features:
- Conversion of 2 Tennis Courts to 6 Pickleball Courts
- Resurfacing of Existing Tennis Courts
- New Asphalt Pathways

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