

## John Long

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Hi,

I am a resident of Somerville in Davis Square (265 elm street, apt 1, Somerville, MA. 02144) and I work at Somerville Hospital.

It has been brought to my attention that there is talk of a budget cut in the Recreation department. I would just like to express my support and appreciation for the Somerville Recreation department subsidizing the activities offered, especially the Parkour classes

(<https://www.somervillerec.com/info/activities/>, <http://pkgamericas.com/timetableboston/>)

I have been taking Parkour classes in Somerville and at the Cummings School for over a year now and I have taken the assistant instructor course (ADAPT) and have been to many workshops including the Armory and have helped with kids classes.

As someone who struggled with problems in high school myself, I can say with out the shadow of a doubt that if I had had a program like this I would have had a more stable elementary and high school experience.

There are many kids/teens who participate in the Parkour classes and I know they enjoy it and that it is helping their development physically, mentally and emotionally.

I would just like to raise my voice in support of the Recreation department and everything they do to help keep people active, especially with Parkour.

Thank you,

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