A logo for a park

Description automatically generated

Contact Person: Makenzie Blair, Communications and Marketing Manager

Freeport Park District

[mblair@freeportparkdistrict.org](mailto:mblair@freeportparkdistrict.org)

Ian Booker, Superintendent of Recreation [ibooker@freeportparkdistrict.org](mailto:ibooker@freeportparkdistrict.org)

Date: August 21, 2025 • Event is August 23, 2024 • 10am

Subject: **Re-Dedication of Deacon Davis Courts**

Freeport, Illinois (August, 2025) - The Freeport Park District is proud to announce the re-dedication of the Deacon Davis Courts, honoring the enduring legacy of community leader and mentor McKinley “Deacon” Davis. The ceremony will take place on August 23, 2025, at 10am, located at 315 E. Jackson St, Freeport.

The Deacon Davis Courts were named in recognition of Deacon Davis’s lasting impact on Freeport youth and his commitment to fostering opportunity, character, and leadership through sports and mentorship. Over the years, the courts have served as a hub for recreation, growth, and community connection.

The re-dedication celebrates recent improvements made to the courts, ensuring they remain a safe and welcoming space for generations to come. The upgrades include resurfacing and new hoop nets.

The Deacon Davis Courts represent more than just a place to play basketball. They stand as a symbol of mentorship, opportunity, and the power of community. This re-dedication ensures that the values Deacon Davis championed will continue to inspire future generations.

There will be a 3-on-3 tournament on the courts, and the public is invited to attend the ribbon-cutting ceremony, which will include remarks from members of the Davis family.