

Ormsby Playground



Location

Behind the Carnegie Library and Ormsby Recreation Center, between 22nd Street and Birmingham Bridge



Hours

6AM - 11PM



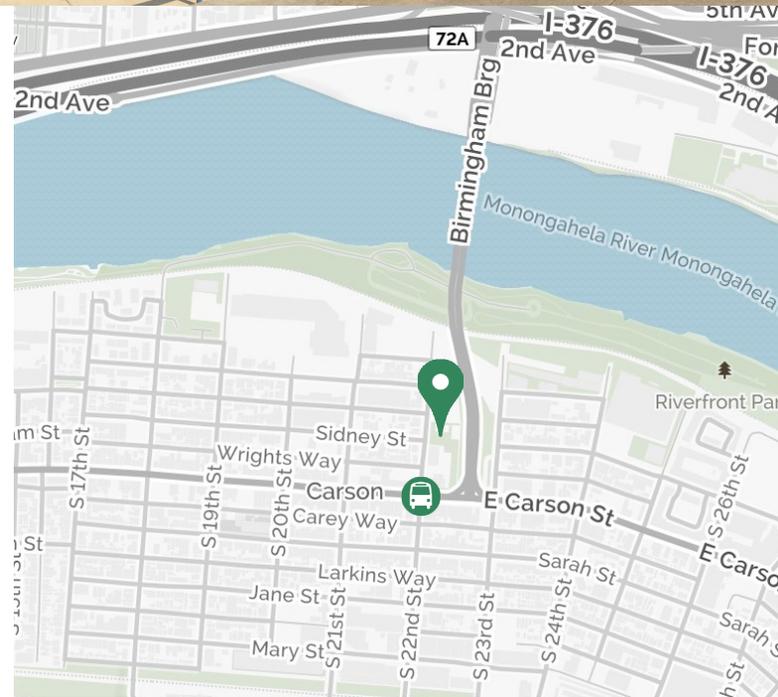
Directions

Buses: 48, 54, 81, 83

Stops on either side of East Carson St at 22nd St



Bonus Points: Bike or hike to the park!



History

Ormsby Playground, like the adjacent Recreation Center and pool, takes its name from John Ormsby, an Irish immigrant and soldier for the British prior to the Revolutionary War. He was granted the entire South Side neighborhood (and more!) for his service. Eventually, growing industry in the rapidly developing city brought new residents to the area and they needed a place to play. The result was Ormsby Playground. In 1939 the city added the Ormsby Recreation Center and a pool, which together provide South Side residents a fun, safe space to play all year round.

Facilities



Other Resources

Check out the Ormsby Recreation Center for all sorts of great events and activities: pittsburghpa.gov/citiparks/ormsby; 412-488-8306. Plus, the Carnegie Library is just down the street! http://www.carnegielibrary.org/clp_location/south-side/

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Activities

Pool party! The Ormsby pool, right next to the playground, is open every summer. Don't miss a chance to splash around with family and friends! Or if you're swimming solo, try to see how far you can swim underwater, or how long it takes to cross the pool.

Relax and read! On your way to the park, stop at the South Side branch of the Carnegie Library and choose a book. (First, make sure you have a library card, or ask the librarian how to get one). Choose a shady spot in the park to sit down and enjoy your selection!

Letters! How many letters can you find in the Playground area? How many A's? B's? Are there any Z's? For an extra challenge, get creative, and see if you can find any "letters" in your natural surroundings!

_____ Ball! Baseball fields can be used for all sorts of games: Baseball, Softball, Kickball, Wiffleball, and more! Choose one to play with friends, or come up with your own type of ball game. Bonus points for a creative name!



Scavenger Hunt

