

Washington Park District

# Districtwide Comprehensive Master Plan

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## Executive Summary

### Why the Plan was Developed

As greater numbers of residents enjoy the Park District's open space assets, there has been increased use patterns and wear on existing parks, recreation facilities and programs. The Park District wishes to compile all of the planning tools prepared to date, build consensus, and plan for the orderly expenditure of funds. To meet the current and anticipated demands and to carry out their mission, the Washington Park District commissioned Hitchcock Design Group to create a Districtwide Comprehensive Master Plan that will serve as a development guide for the Park District for the next 5 years. The plan:

- Identifies and assesses park, facility, and recreational needs
- Provides recommendations
- Provides an implementation and funding action plan

### Goals of the Process

The following goals were identified during the early stages of the planning process:

- Create an existing park inventory
- Determine what improvements, changes or additions should be made to existing parks and trails
- Identify potential planning areas for new park opportunities
- Assess the needs and expectations of the population served
- Develop a prioritized list of goals, targeting an initial five-year assimilation period

### Planning Process

The planning process began in August 2011. A task force was assembled to work directly with Hitchcock Design Group to provide background information and direction. Hitchcock Design Group completed a tour of the Park District's land holdings and completed an inventory of the each park site. Once the existing assets and programming were reviewed, input on the issues and needs were gathered from the Park District Board members, task force, staff and the community. The key findings from the input phase, along with the analysis of the Park District's land holdings and facilities helped determine the master plan recommendations and prioritize the action items.

### How the Document Should be Used

This master plan document should be used as a guide for development by the Park District's staff to implement the primary action items over the next 5 years. The document should be reviewed on an annual basis and modified as appropriate. The plan should be thought of as a working list and objectives should be checked off as they are completed.

# Chapter One: Introduction

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## Structure of the Document

The Districtwide Comprehensive Master Plan is organized to follow the series of tasks that were completed in the development of the plan.

### Chapter One: Introduction

Provide a summary of the planning area and adjacent agencies. Document the relevant Washington Park District history. Reference other relevant planning documents used during the development of this plan.

### Chapter Two: Inventory and Analysis

Develop a detailed map that identifies all park land, municipal owned property, schools, golf courses, trails and relative adjacent land uses. Classify all of the Washington Park District's park land based on standards, size, location, and amenities. Analyze the Park District's Level of Service for land area and service area.

### Chapter Three: Needs Assessment

Determine the park, facility, and recreation needs of the community, based on the results from the community survey, staff input, board input, and local trends. Identify current issues based on information gathered during the inventory and analysis phase.

### Chapter Four: Plan Recommendations

Identify specific projects and improvements for the following categories

- District-wide Strategies
- Recreation Programs
- Existing Parks, Trails, and Facilities
- New Parks, Trails, and Facilities

### Chapter Five: Implementation Guideline

Identify action items directly related to the plan recommendations and determine priorities for the next 5 years.

### Chapter Six: Park Inventory

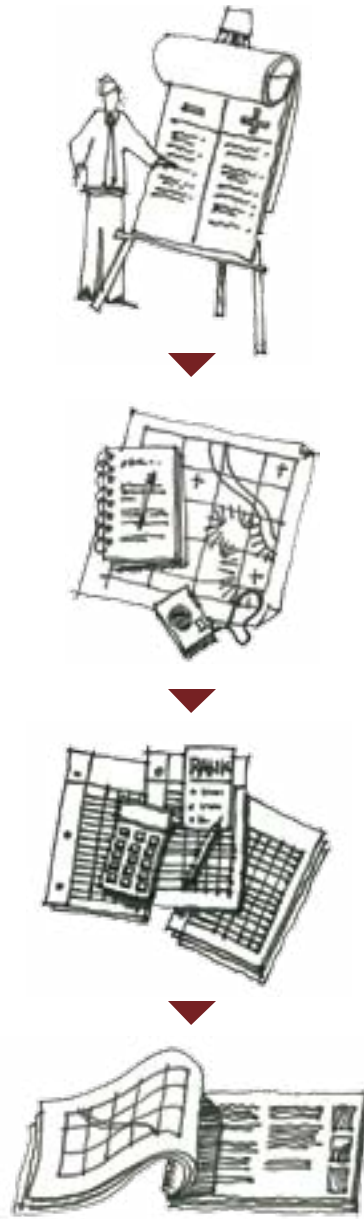
Complete detailed park inventory that catalogs the individual parks and natural areas, addressing each property's observations, needs and recommendations.

### Chapter Seven: Appendix

Raw information from the community survey and excerpts from other planning documents.

## Planning Area Summary

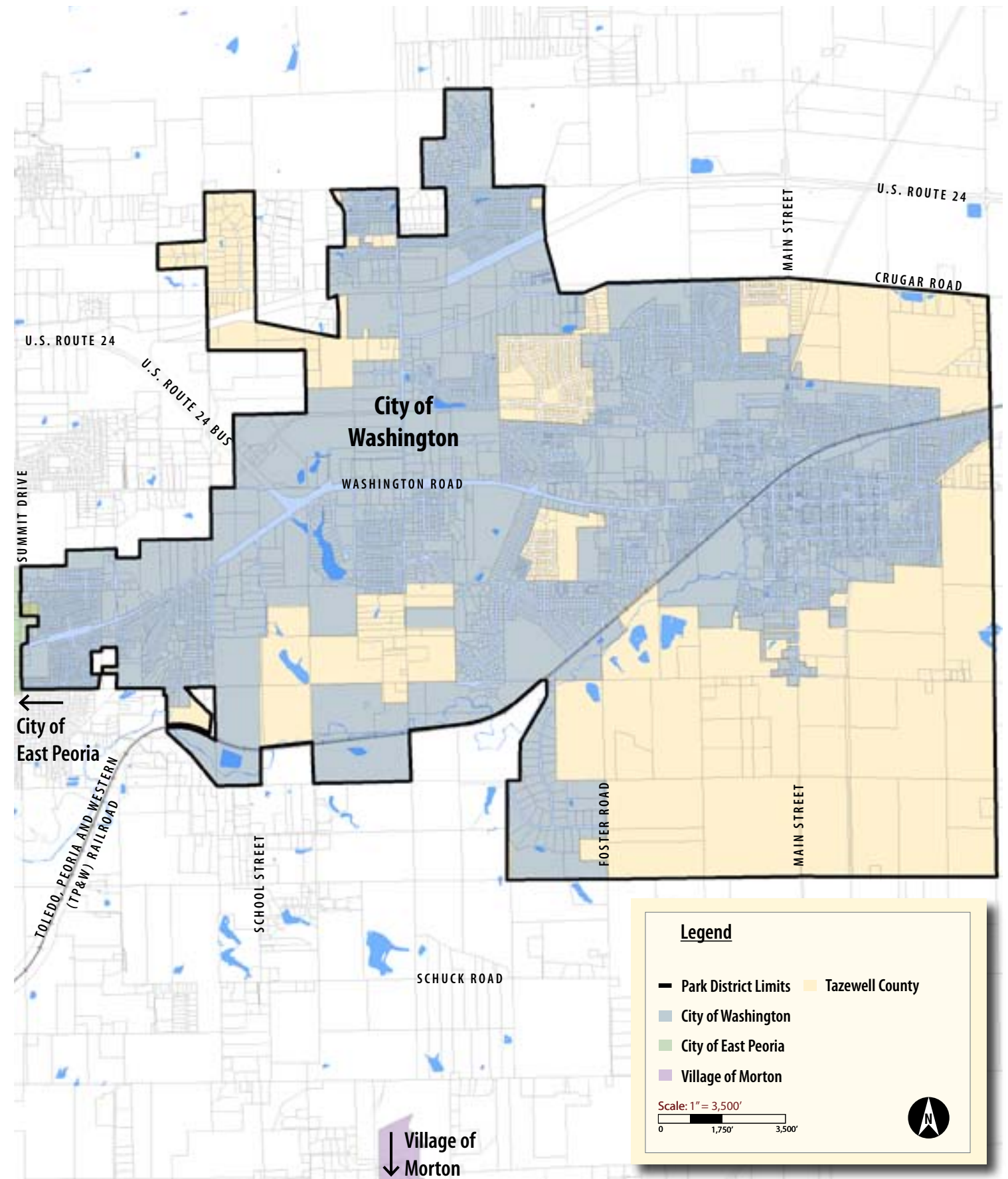
The Planning Area for the Washington Park District is approximately 12.75 square miles. The Park District boundary encompasses the City of Washington and is primarily surrounded by unincorporated Tazewell County with a portion of the western boundary adjacent to the City of East Peoria.



Planning Process

## Contextual Map

## Washington Park District



## Agency Profile

### Geographic Location

The Washington Park District is approximately 12.75 square miles encompassing the City of Washington, Illinois and is primarily surrounded by unincorporated Tazewell County with a portion of the western boundary adjacent to the City of East Peoria. US Route 24 crosses East-West in the north end of the area and the Toledo, Peoria, and Western Railroad crosses diagonally from Northeast to Southwest in the southern portion of the area. The Park District sits approximately 8.5 miles East of Peoria, Illinois and 26 miles Northwest of Bloomington, Illinois. Latitude: 40.695618/Longitude: -89.434327, Elevation: 533.

### Parks & Facilities

The park district offers a wide range of parks and facilities including 11 developed parks, 3 natural areas, a pool, trail system, and a Recreation Facility. They offer a wide range of programming opportunities for all ages and abilities from structured athletics to open ended art. The majority of indoor programming occurs at the Recreation Facility and the programmed outdoor activities occur primarily at Washington Park and Oak Ridge Park.

### Natural Resources

A large portion of the study area drains to Farm Creek and it's various tributaries, ultimately leading to the Illinois River. This is a part of the Lower Illinois-Senachwine Lake Watershed. The creek provides moderate topography change and minor riparian vegetative buffers throughout the community. The surrounding lands are slightly rolling to flat with high quality soils.

### History of the Washington Park District

Washington Park District was formed by a referendum vote of the public in 1968. The first Washington Park District Board elected consisted of H.W. "Bud" Engel, Noah Hickman, John Holtzman, Wilson Kimmell and Bonnie Richart with Mel Moehle serving as the Park District Attorney.

In April 1969, the Park District purchased land from the Heyl Pony Farm to develop the first park in Washington, Washington Park. The Park District continued to grow quickly while developing Washington Park, Weaver Park was gifted to the Park District in 1971, and the Schmoeger property was purchased for the development of Meadow Valley Park.

In 1972, the Board purchased the Neptune Swim Club. A referendum was approved to renovate and add to the Neptune Swim Club which was also renamed the Washington Park Pool.

In 1975 lights were added to diamond #5 at Washington Park. The first Director of the Park District, George Curtis, donated part of his salary toward this goal and the diamond is named after him. Tennis Courts were also added to Washington Park.

In 1979 through 1980, the Park District worked cooperatively with Caterpillar Tractor Co. to lease property now known as Oak Ridge Park. Oak Ridge Park was first designed with 6 baseball diamonds and some space for soccer fields. The lease was expanded and more soccer fields were added.

Park District received a grant from the Illinois Department of Conservation to renovate the Washington Park Pool. An aluminum shell system was added to the competition pool and the kiddie pool replaced.

In 1992, Bowen property was purchased. As part of the IL Route 24 By-Pass project, a lake was created on the property and became Bowen Lake Park.

The first segment of the Washington Recreation Trail was constructed in 1995 running from McDonald's to Wilmor Rd. A second segment was added from Wilmor Rd. through to Washington Park. In 2003, a third phase was added to the Trail system, further extending the trail to the east and west. This phase was funded in part by another Bike Trail Grant from the Illinois DNR.

In 2004, the Park District was awarded a \$200,000 OSLAD Grant from the Illinois DNR for the construction of Harry LaHood Park in the Trail's Edge Subdivision development. This 5 acre parcel was donated by developers in memory of Harry LaHood. The park was dedicated on ...

In 2004, the Park District was awarded a \$400,000 OSLAD Grant from the Illinois DNR for a Washington Park Pool project. The project included the demolition of the original Neptune Swim Club bathhouse and tot pools and the construction of a new bathhouse, sun deck and interactive play pool. The project began in September of 2005 and completed in August of 2006.

In August 2005, the Washington Park District moved their offices to the old Washington Middle School/Grade School on 105 S. Spruce St. and began an Adaptive Reuse project. The Park District opened the facility officially on February 4th, 2006 with a Grand Opening. As a result of the additional space provided by the facility, recreation programming has dramatically increased and diversified.

The N. Main St. extension was built in 2005 to provide an off road trail to the new Washington Middle School. This extension ran along Main St. from Washington Park to Easy St. just past the new school.

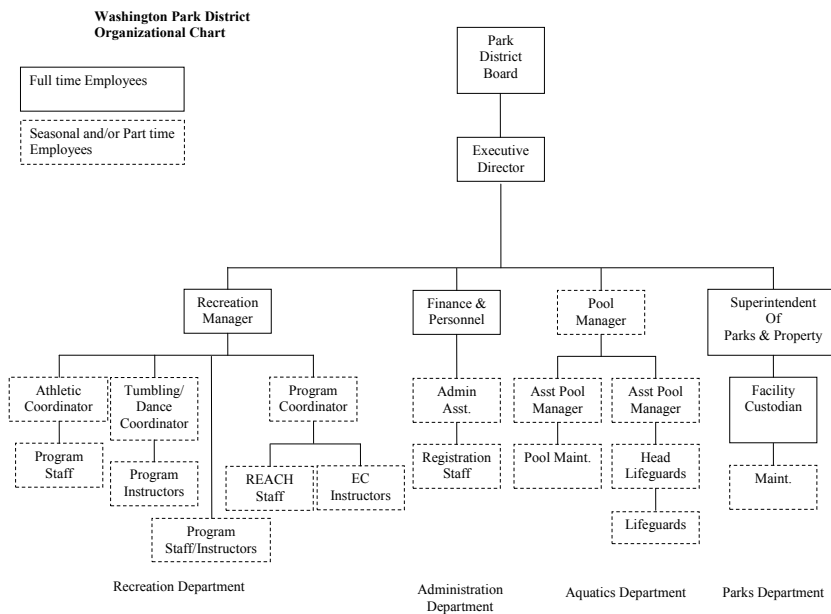
In 2007, the Washington Park District participated in cooperation with the City of Washington, Washington Community High School, Washington District Library and Washington Area Community Center to fund the construction of Five Points Washington. Five Points provides fitness facilities and services as well as an Aquatic Center, Auditorium, Banquet Rooms and home to the Washington Library.

An Illinois Bike Trail grant was awarded to the Park District by the Illinois DNR in 2009. In the fall of 2009, construction began on the Wilmor Rd. Connection which connected the original Washington Recreation Trail, (Phases 1 and 2) with the Kern Rd. and Cummings Lane sections and provided a safer crossing at Peoria St.

Over the years sections of Kern Rd., Cummings Lane and Dallas Rd. were completed in cooperation with the City of Washington and developers. The last sections of Kern Rd. and Dallas Rd. were completed were completed in 2010 completing the Western loop of the Recreation Trail.

## Staffing and Structure

The Park District currently employs 5 full-time employees, and 90 part-time employees. They are governed by a five member elected board of commissioners.



## Budget Information

The Park District has an annual operating budget of approximately \$2.5 million derived primarily from tax revenue, program user fees, and occasional assistance from state grants and local donations. The Washington Park District is an Illinois Registered Park District and is subject to the opportunities and limitations of such.

## Previous Planning Efforts

1997 Plan - Washington Recreation Trail Committee

## Funding History

Year	Source	Amount	Agency
1969	Washington Park	\$47,550	HUD (Federal Housing and Urban Development)
1974	State Grant	\$40,000	IL Department of Conservation
1989	Noted in minutes we have received \$400,000 to date		
1990	Pool Grant	\$187,500	IL Department of Conservation
1996	Illinois Bike Trail	\$58,000	ILDNR
2003	Illinois Trails Grant	\$200,000	DNR
2004	OSLAD Grant	\$196,000	DNR
2005	OSLAD Grant	\$400,000	DNR
2005	Healthy Kids Grant	\$ 18,184.50	GameTime
2005	PowerPlay	\$ 3,000	IAPD
2007	Safety Grant	\$ 600	IPRF
2007	Fighting Obesity	\$ 9,925.50	GameTime
2008	Safety Grant	\$ 600	IPRF
2009	Safety Grant	\$ 800	IPRF
2009	Illinois Trails Grant	\$ 83,700	DNR
2010	Safety Grant	\$ 900	IPRF
2011	Lighting Grant	\$ 16,082.84	IDCEO
2011	Safety Grant	\$ 900	IPRF
2012	Safety Grant	\$ 1,100	IPRF

## Demographics

Overall population is based on 2010 US Census data targeting Zip code 61571. Detailed data available from the US Census Bureau is reflective of the 2000 Census. As no significant migration of population has occurred since then, deviations between the two data sets are considered acceptable for planning purposes.

## Population Summary

The Washington Park District Service area has a population of just over 20,000 people, balanced evenly among males and females. The age of the population is relatively well balanced with about 6.5% pre-school age, 21% school age, 13.6% beyond retirement age, and the remainder between the ages of 20-64.

The primary ethnicity is Caucasian with heritage influences of German, English, American, Irish, Italian and French.

The majority of households are family households having an average family size of 2.54 members.

## Population

2000: 20,338  
2010+: 24,518 Projected

## Population by Gender

49% Male / 51% Female

## Population by Race and Ethnicity

95% Caucasian / 2% Hispanic / 1% Black / 1% Asian / 1% Other

## Population by Age

Under 5 years	1,312	6.5
5 to 9 years	1,474	7.2
10 to 14 years	1,434	7.1
15 to 19 years	1,469	7.2
20 to 24 years	1,099	5.4
25 to 34 years	2,597	12.8
35 to 44 years	3,295	16.2
45 to 54 years	2,933	14.4
55 to 59 years	1,086	5.3
60 to 64 years	879	4.3
65 to 74 years	1,558	7.7
75 to 84 years	920	4.5
85 years and over	282	1.4
Median age (years)	37.4	

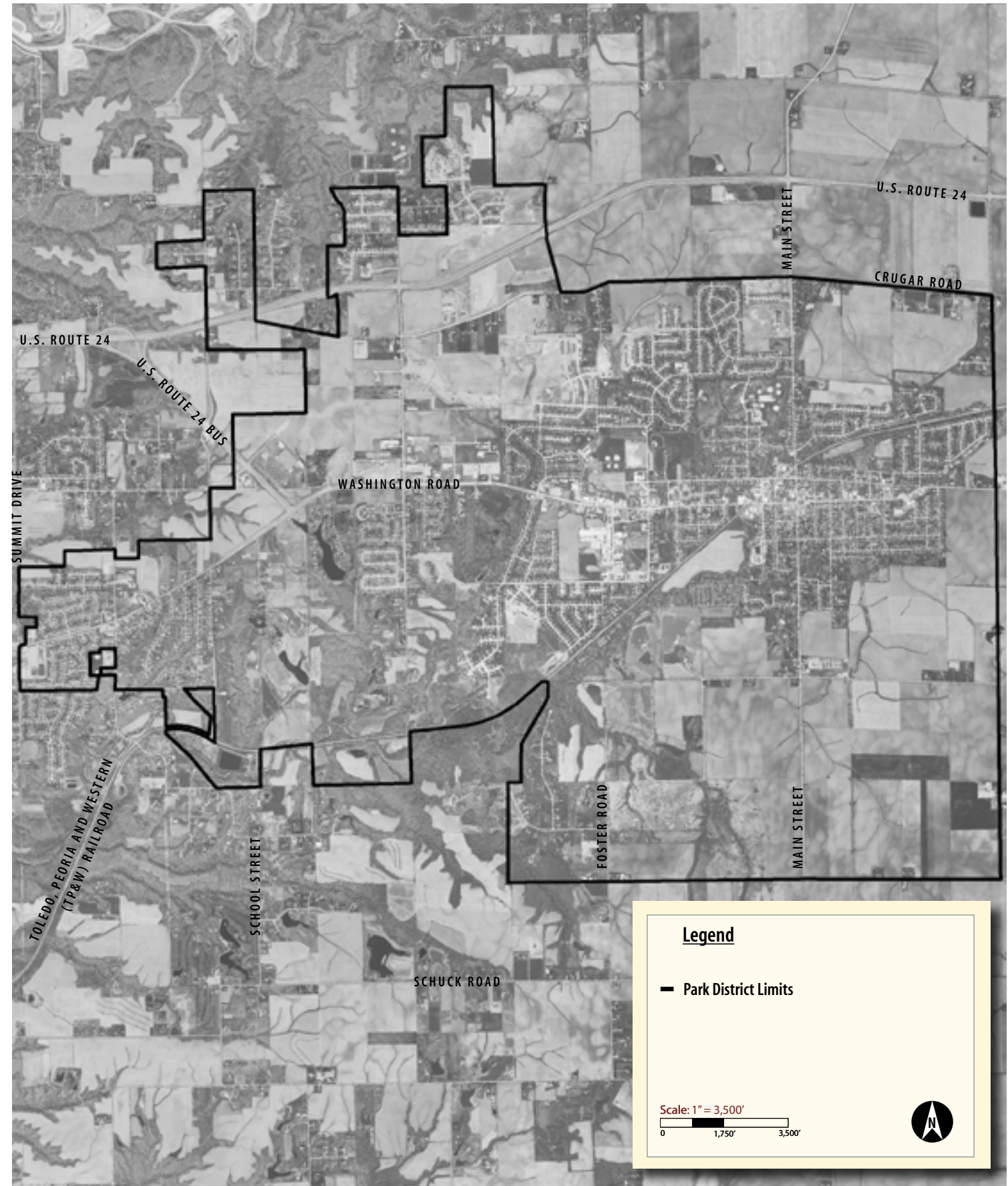
**Households**

Total households	7,971	100.0
Family households (families)	5,821	73.0
With own children under 18 years	2,675	33.6
Married-couple family	4,979	62.5
With own children under 18 years	2,137	26.8
Female householder, no husband present	655	8.2
With own children under 18 years	429	5.4
Nonfamily households	2,150	27.0
Householder living alone	1,849	23.2
Householder 65 years and over	801	10.0
Households with individuals under 18 years	2,828	35.5
Households with individuals 65 years and over	1,917	24.0
Average household size (people)	2.54	

**Related Planning Documents**

Planning documents and other reports that relate to the Park District’s Districtwide Comprehensive Master Plan were studied for information and guidelines relevant to the master plan goals and objectives. The following documents were reviewed as a part of the planning process.

- 2001 City of Washington Comprehensive Plan
- 1997 Washington Park District Master Plan
- Illinois Statewide Comprehensive and Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP), 2009-2014
- U.S. Census Bureau, 2000 Data
- Outdoor Recreation Participation Report 2009, The Outdoor Foundation
- 2010 SGMA Sports and Fitness Participation Topline Report, Sporting Goods Manufacturers Association (SGMA)



*Chapter Two:*  
**Inventory and  
Analysis**  
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# Chapter Two: Inventory and Analysis

## Purpose

This chapter includes detailed maps of parks, natural systems and other existing conditions; identifies all park land, open space, schools, trails and relative adjacent land uses; and classifies all park land based on standards, size, locations, and amenities. This chapter will also analyze the Park District's Level of Service of land acreage and Service Area distribution of the same.

## Existing Conditions

The Washington Park District encompasses approximately 8,150 acres (12.75 square miles), much of which is occupied by residential and agricultural land uses. The Park District boundary includes 12 parks and an additional 2 parks that currently reside outside of the Park District's boundary.

Other than the Park District's large natural areas, there are no forest preserves located within the Park District boundary. Large private land-holdings within the Park District, including the Hill Crest Golf Course and public school grounds offer additional recreational opportunities.

The Toledo, Peoria and Western (TP&W) Railroad bisects a portion of the Park District. The Washington Park District is located just north of Interstate 74 and west of Interstate 39.

The majority of business land-use development has been concentrated along the Main Street and Washington Road corridors. Additional business properties are located along portions of Route 24.

The City of Washington is served by:

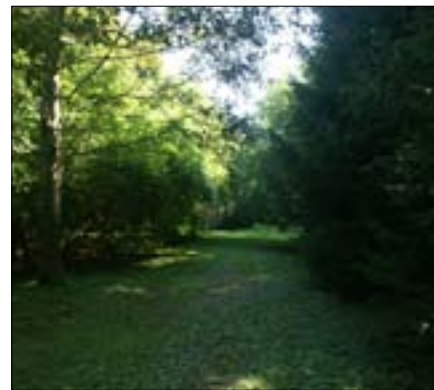
- School District 50 - John L. Hensey (kindergarten through 3rd grade)
- School District 50 - Beverly Manor Middle School (4th through 8th grade)
- School District 51 - Central Grade School (kindergarten through 3rd grade)
- School District 51 - Central Middle School (4th through 8th grade)
- School District 52 - Lincoln Grade School (kindergarten through 4th grade)
- School District 52 - Washington Middle School (5th through 8th grade)
- School District 308 - Washington Community High School
- Saint Patrick's School - Catholic School (kindergarten through 8th grade)



Washington Park District Pool



Meadow Valley Park

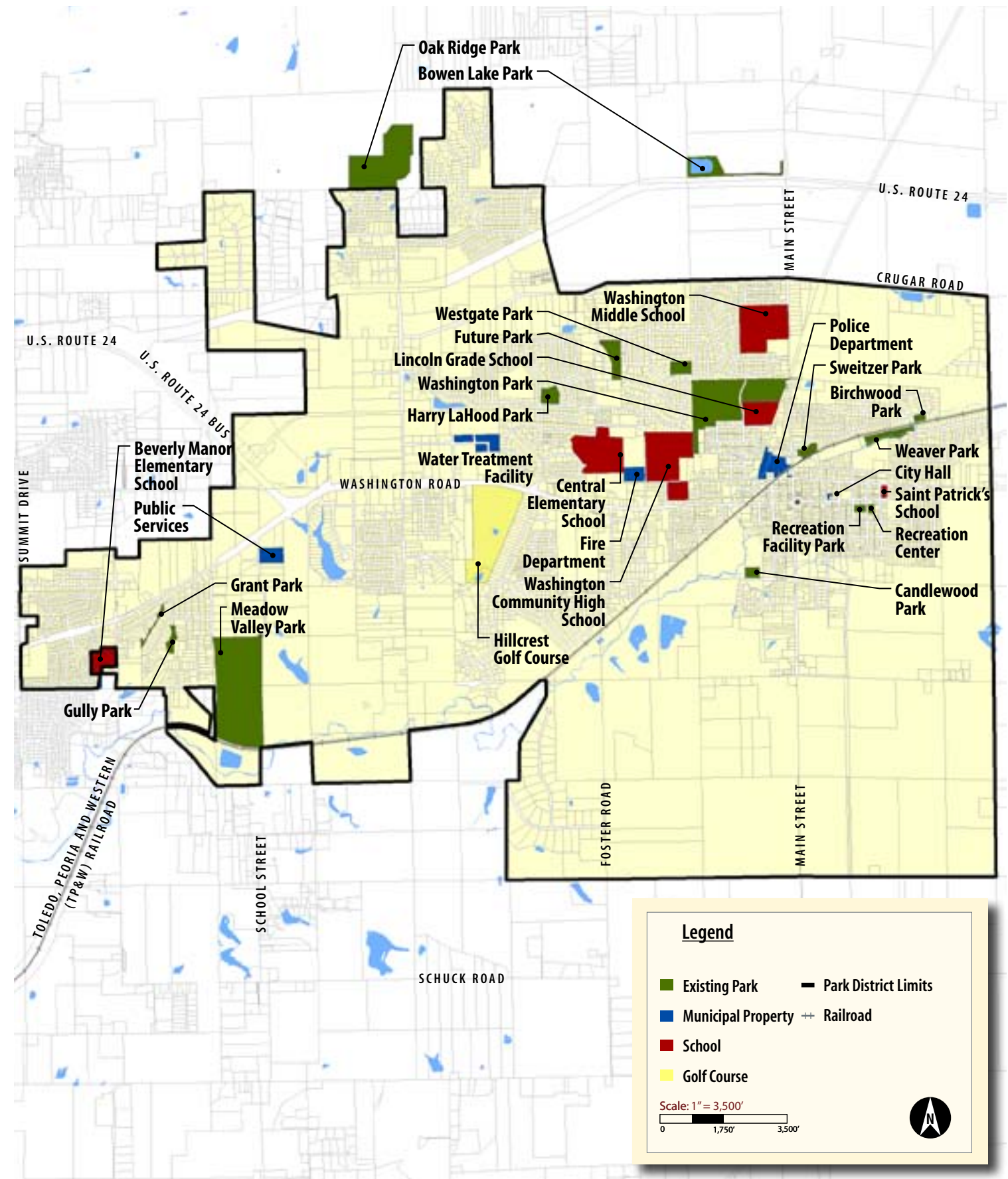


Weaver Park



Washington Park

# Land Use Map Washington Park District



## Park Classification Criteria

The guidelines outlined within the Illinois Association of Park Districts (IAPD) and National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA) - Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Guidelines Manual, were referenced as a part of the planning process. IAPD/NRPA recommends creating a park classification system to serve as a guide for organizing an agency's parks. Neighborhood parks, community parks, and natural areas are three different park classifications recognized by IAPD/NRPA. The Park Classification table identifies the criteria for determining the class for each of the Washington Park District's parks. The location criteria is defined as the recommended barrier-free distance between the park and residential areas.

Park Classification			
Classification	General Description	Location Criteria	Size Criteria
Neighborhood Park	Neighborhood park remains the basic unit of the park system and serves as the recreational and social focus of the neighborhood. Focus is on informal active and passive recreation.	0.25 to 0.5 mile distance and uninterrupted by non-residential roads and other physical barriers.	1 to 5 acres in size is typical.
Community Park	Serves broader purpose than neighborhood park. Focus is on meeting community based recreation needs, as well as preserving unique landscapes and open spaces.	Determined by the quality and suitability of the site. Usually serves two or more neighborhoods and 0.5 to 3 mile distance.	As needed to accommodate desired uses. Usually a minimum of 20 acres.
Open Space	Conservation and wildlife areas, wooded areas and waterways that are maintained for the most part in their natural state.	Service radius is unlimited.	No applicable standard.

Table from NRPA's Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Guidelines.

### Neighborhood Parks

Neighborhood parks remain the basic unit of the park system and are generally designed for informal active recreation, passive recreation and community gathering spaces. These parks generally range from 1 to 5 acres in size. Elements in these parks include playgrounds, picnic areas, formal play areas, community centers and trail systems. Neighborhood parks located in the Washington Park District include:

- Birchwood Park
- Candlewood Park
- Grant Park
- Harry LaHood Park
- Sweitzer Park
- Recreation Facility Park
- Westgate Park

Neighborhood parks are located in residential areas and serve neighborhoods within 0.25 mile to 0.5 mile radius or a 10-minute walk. Though the primary transportation mode is walking, some neighborhood parks provide limited parking spaces. For mapping purposes, a 0.5 mile radius distance Neighborhood park "service area" shall not include residents that must cross a planning area boundary (examples: major highway, railroad corridor, extreme natural features). In a residential setting, **2 acres of open** space designated as neighborhood parks are preferred per every **1,000 people**.

### Community Parks

Community parks are generally designed for active recreation and focus on meeting community-wide recreation needs. These parks preserve unique landscapes and open space, and serve the community as a gathering space typically having a large structured sports components. Elements in these parks include playgrounds, shade structures, trail and path systems, and multiple sports courts and fields. Community parks located in the Washington Park District include:

- Bowen Lake Park
- Meadow Valley Park
- Oak Ridge Park
- Washington Park

Community parks tend to serve the entire Park District, are viewed as destination places, and typically require travel for programmed recreation. These parks include adequate parking. Community park service areas tend to be a 0.5 mile to 3 mile radius. **7.5 acres of open space** designated as a community park is preferred per every **1,000 people**. For mapping purposes, a 1-mile radius was used with the understanding that community park users typically access the parks via bicycle or vehicle.

### Open Spaces

Open Spaces or Natural Areas are defined as conservation and wildlife areas; wooded areas and waterways that are maintained for the most part in their natural state. These areas are designed to preserve unique ecosystems and habitat. Development and public access is limited to minimize disturbance to the site.

While there are not established standards for Level of Service or distribution for natural areas, these areas protect unique natural features and provide access for the community's use. Open spaces located in the Washington Park District include:

- Gully Park
- Future Park
- Weaver Park



## Planning Areas

Planning areas are used for analysis, proposed land acquisition, and redevelopment of new park facilities. Planning areas are delineated by impassable pedestrian boundaries, including major roads or highways, railroad corridors and extreme natural features.

**Planning Area 1** is zoned unincorporated. The planning area has no parks within its boundaries. The area is bordered by Route 24 to the south.

**Planning Area 2** is zoned residential, and retail. The planning area has no parks within its boundaries, but has one community park (Oak Ridge Park) immediately beyond the boundary to the north. The area is bordered by Route 24 to the south.

**Planning Area 3** is zoned agriculture, residential, retail, industrial, and unincorporated. The planning area has no parks within its boundaries. The area is bordered by Route 24 to the north, Washington Road to the south, Cummings Lane to the east, and Route 24 Bus to the west.

**Planning Area 4** is zoned agriculture, residential, retail, and industrial. The planning area has one neighborhood park (Harry LaHood Park). The area is bordered by Route 24 to the north, Washington Road to the south, Dallas Road to the east, and Cummings Lane to the west.

**Planning Area 5** is zoned agriculture, residential, retail, and industrial. The planning area has one neighborhood park (Westgate Park including the pool), one community park (Washington Park), and one natural area (Future Park) within its boundaries. The area is bordered by Crugar Road to the north, Washington Road to the south, Main Street to the east, and Dallas Road to the west.

**Planning Area 6** is zoned residential and unincorporated. The planning area has two neighborhood parks (Birchwood Park and Sweitzer Park). The area is bordered by the Toledo, Peoria, and Western (TP&W) Railroad to the south and Main Street to the west.

**Planning Area 7** is zoned agriculture, residential, and retail. The planning area has no parks within its boundaries. The area is bordered by Washington Road to the south and Route 24 Bus to the east.

**Planning Area 8** is zoned residential and retail. The planning area has no parks within its boundaries. The area is bordered by Washington Road to the north.

**Planning Area 9** is zoned agriculture, residential, retail, industrial, and unincorporated. The planning area has one neighborhood park (Grant Park), one community park (Meadow Valley Park), and one natural area (Gully Park) within its boundaries. The area is bordered by Washington Road to the north, and the TP&W Railroad to the south.

**Planning Area 10** is zoned residential and retail. The planning area has no parks within its boundaries. The area is bordered by Washington Road to the north and Kern Road to the south.

**Planning Area 11** is zoned agriculture, residential, retail, and industrial, and unincorporated. The planning area has no major parks within its boundaries. The area is bordered by Washington Road to the north, and the TP&W Railroad to the south.

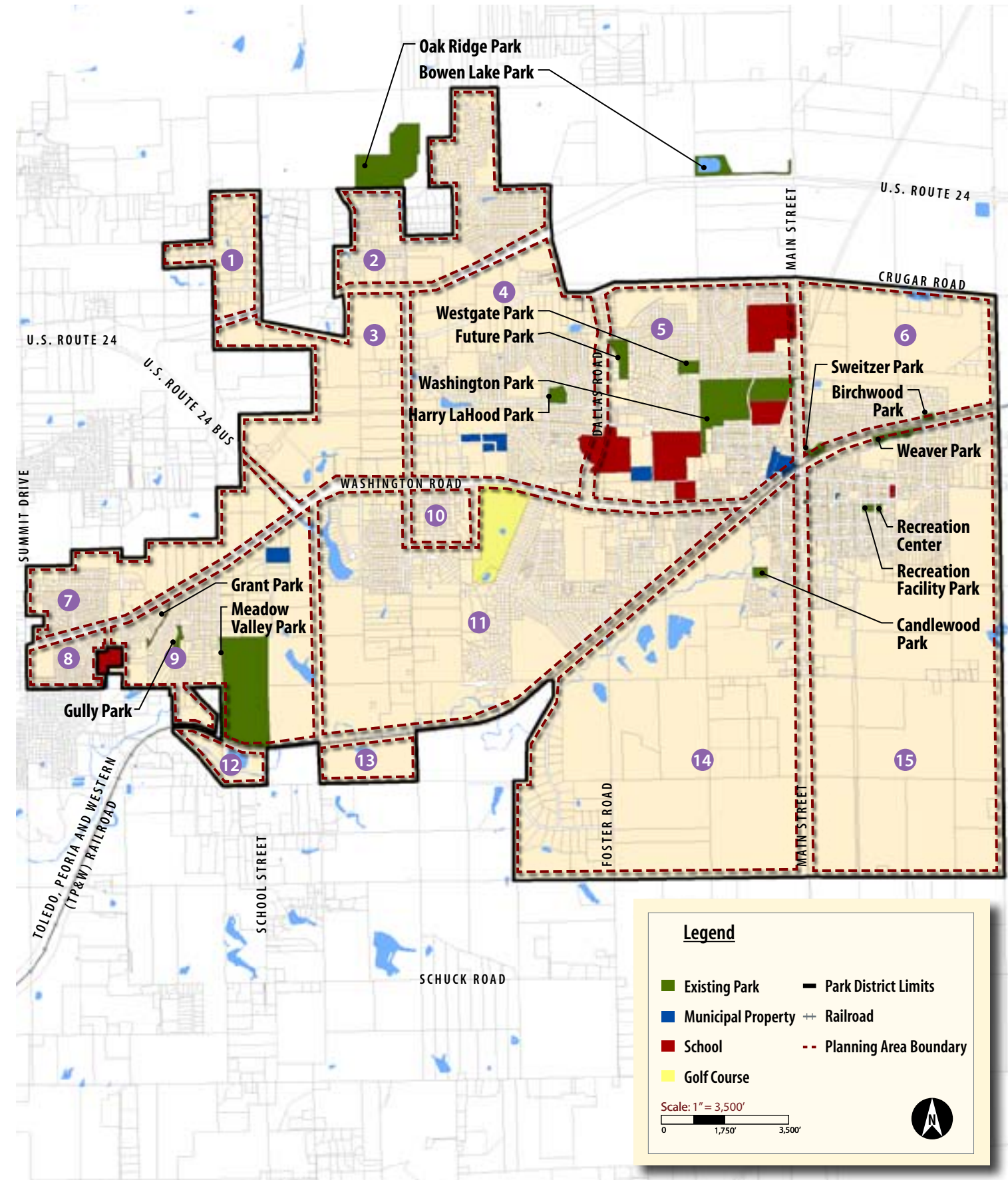
**Planning Area 12** is zoned agriculture. The planning area has no parks within its boundaries. The area is bordered by the TP&W Railroad to the north.

**Planning Area 13** is zoned agriculture. The planning area has no parks within its boundaries. The area is bordered by the TP&W Railroad to the north.

**Planning Area 14** is zoned residential, retail, industrial, and unincorporated. The planning area has one neighborhood park (Candlewood Park). The area is bordered by the TP&W Railroad to the north and Main Street to the east.

**Planning Area 15** is zoned residential, retail, industrial, and unincorporated. The planning area has two neighborhood parks (Washington School Park and Weaver Park), and one special use facility (Recreation Facility). The area is bordered by the TP&W Railroad to the north and Main Street to the west.

## Planning Areas Map Washington Park District



## Service Areas

Service Area Mapping was utilized to determine three key data sets. First, the distribution of parks, based on the service area they cover, by park classification. Second, the relationship to planning area barriers as identified in the Planning Area section. Finally, to identify the areas that are not effectively served by parks and open space. To address the needs of the Village residents, this study focuses attention on the distribution of parks within both residential areas and non-residential areas, such as those zoned industrial or commercial.

There are three park classifications that are defined in the master plan: neighborhood parks, community parks, and natural areas. The following maps locate these parks by classification and identify the service areas within their respective planning area.

## Neighborhood Park Service Areas

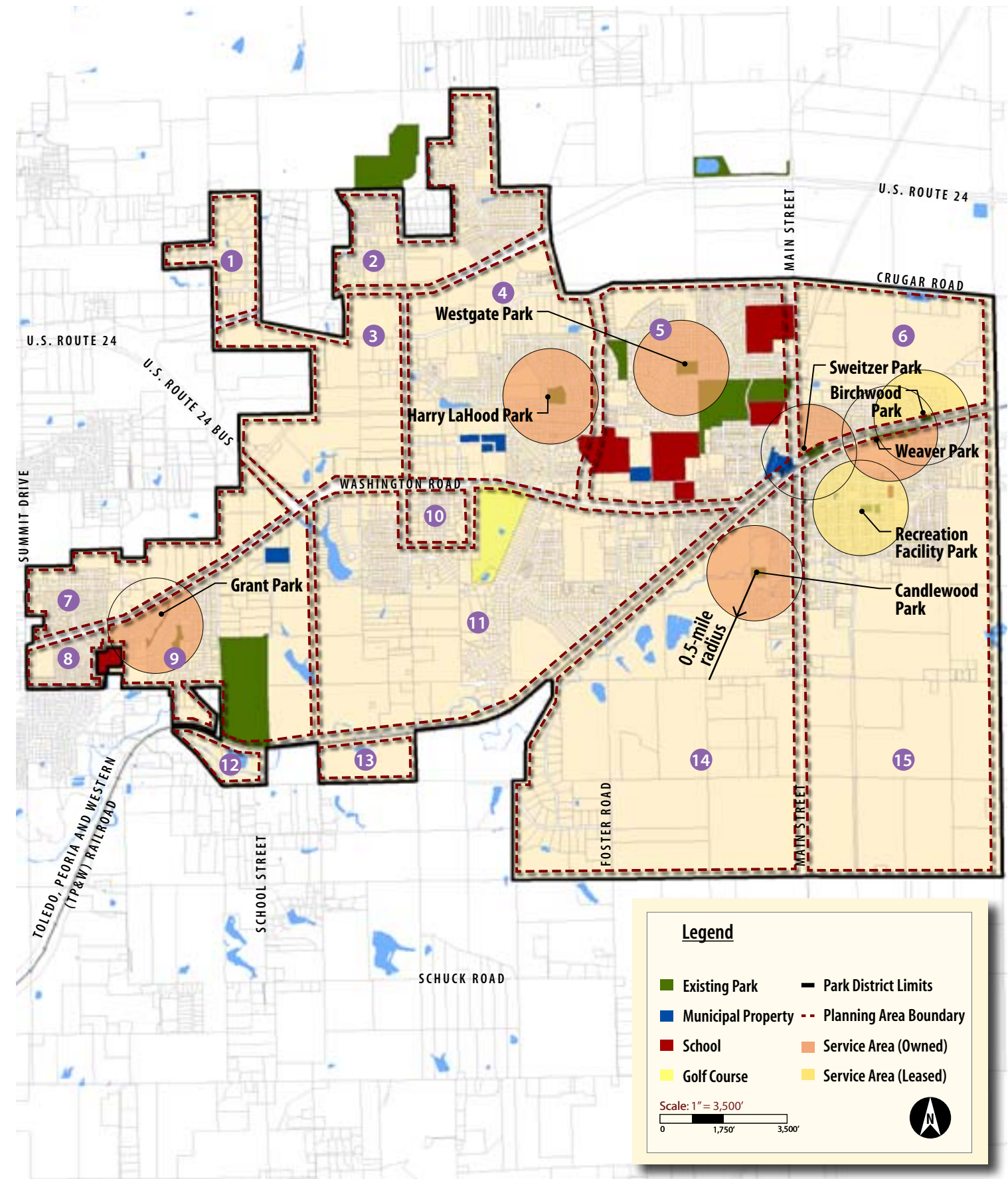
The Neighborhood Park Service Area study determined which planning areas are under served by the Park District's existing neighborhood park land holdings. A typical neighborhood park is 1 to 10 acres.

The IAPD and NRPA recommend that Neighborhood Parks with active recreation amenities be centrally located within its service areas and encompass a **0.5-mile radius**. The Neighborhood Park Service Area Map illustrates this service radius for parks provided by the Washington Park District around each existing neighborhood park.

The Neighborhood Park Service Area Map shows that the concentration of the Park District's neighborhood parks are in Planning Areas 4, 5, 6, 9, 14, and 15. There are gaps in the service areas for neighborhood parks, especially in the central portion of the Park District. The data indicates that planning areas 1, 2, 3, 7, 10, and 11 are under served by neighborhood parks. Planning areas 12 and 13 are also under served but based on the City Zoning Map these areas are primarily industrial or large estates. This data also aligns with the Level of Service analysis indicating the Level of Service for neighborhood parks is deficient.

Level of Service - Neighborhood Parks						
Classification	WPD Acreage (Owned)	WPD Acreage (Leased)	WPD Existing Level of Service (acres / 1,000 population)	IAPD/NRPA Recommended Acreage	IAPD/NRPA Recommended Level of Service (acres / 1,000 population)	Acreage deficiency / surplus (acre)
Neighborhood Park (Owned Only)	16.70	2.90	0.68	49.04	2.00	-32.34
Neighborhood Park (Owned and Leased)	16.70	2.90	0.80	49.04	2.00	-29.44

## Neighborhood Park Service Area Map Washington Park District



## Community Park Service Areas

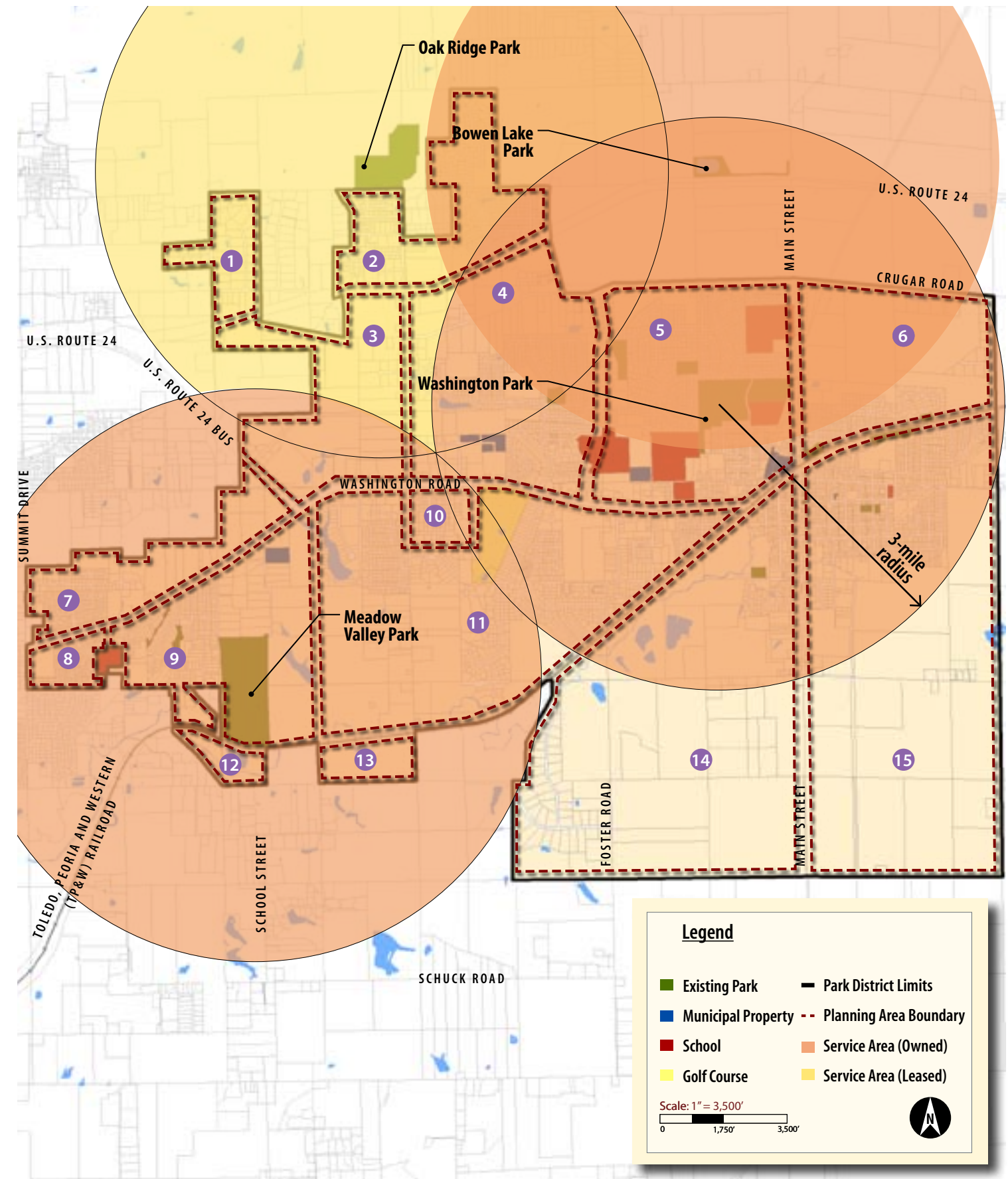
The Community Park Service Area study determined which residential areas are under served by the Park District's existing community park land holdings. The Washington Park District's existing community parks are both about 60 acres.

The IAPD and NRPA recommend that community parks with active recreation amenities be centrally located within its service areas and encompass a **3-mile radius**. The Community Park Service Area Map illustrates this service radius for parks provided by the Washington Park District around each existing community park.

The Community Park Service Area Map shows that the concentration of the Park District's community parks are in Planning Areas 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13. There are partial gaps in the service areas for community parks, located in the southeast portion of the Park District. The data indicates that planning areas 14 and 15 are under served by community parks but based on the City Zoning Map these areas are primarily industrial or large estates. This data also aligns with the Level of Service analysis indicating the Level of Service for community parks is sufficient. Currently leased area is approximately one-third of the community park acreage as seen in the chart below.

Level of Service - Community Parks						
Classification	WPD Acreage (Owned)	WPD Acreage (Leased)	WPD Existing Level of Service (acres / 1,000 population)	IAPD/NRPA Recommended Acreage	IAPD/NRPA Recommended Level of Service (acres / 1,000 population)	Acreage deficiency / surplus (acre)
Community Park (Owned Only)	163.80	59.00	6.68	183.89	7.50	-20.09
Community Park (Owned and Leased)	163.80	59.00	9.09	183.89	7.50	38.92

## Community Park Service Area Map Washington Park District



## Open Space Service Areas

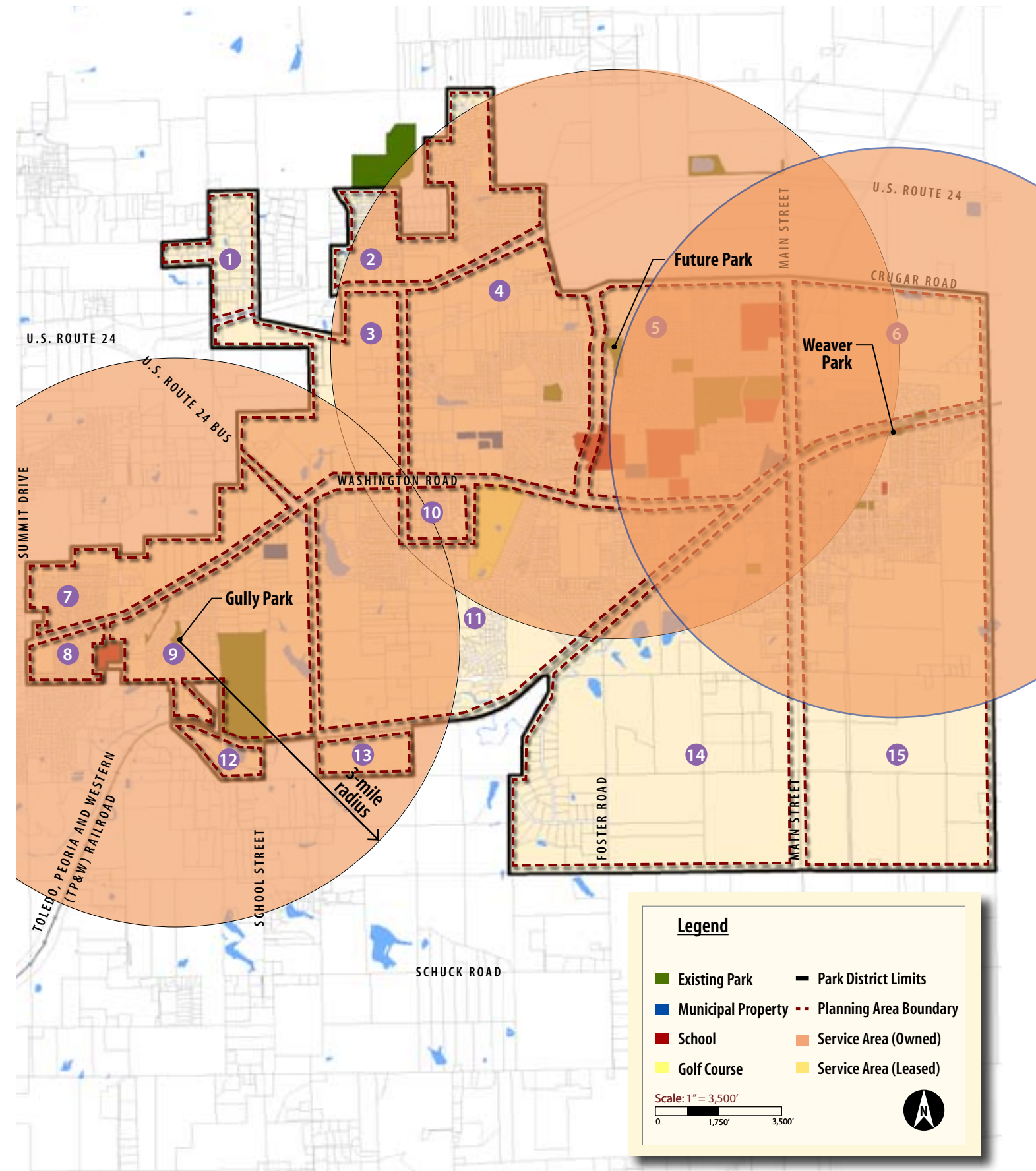
The Open Space Service Area study determined which residential areas are under served by the Park District's existing natural area land holdings. The Washington Park District's existing natural areas range from 2 to 8 acres.

The IAPD and NRPA define natural areas as lands set aside for preservation of significant natural resources, remnant landscapes, open space, and visual aesthetics/buffering. These areas are located in areas where resources are available and opportunities present themselves. Service areas are variable, however as most of the natural areas within the Washington Park District are destination areas, a **3-mile radius** is represented. The Open Space Service Area Map illustrates this service radius for parks provided by the Washington Park District around each existing natural area.

The Open Space Service Area Map shows that the concentration of the Park District's natural areas are in Planning Areas 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13. There are gaps in the service areas for open space, especially in the northwest and southeast portions of the Park District. The data indicates that planning areas 1 is under served by natural areas. Planning areas 14 and 15 are also under served but based on the City Zoning Map these areas are primarily agriculture or large estates. Since there is no recommended level of service for this category, all acreage is surplus and adds to the overall level of service for the Washington Park District.

Level of Service - Open Space						
Classification	WPD Acreage (Owned)	WPD Acreage (Leased)	WPD Existing Level of Service (acres / 1,000 population)	IAPD/NRPA Recommended Acreage	IAPD/NRPA Recommended Level of Service (acres / 1,000 population)	Acreage deficiency / surplus (acre)
Natural Areas (Owned Only)	17.88	0.00	0.73	12.26	0.00	5.62
Natural Areas (Owned and Leased)	17.88	0.00	0.73	12.26	0.00	5.62

## Open Space Service Area Map Washington Park District



## Overall Park Service Area

The Overall Park Service Area Map is an overlay of all the service area maps illustrating a comprehensive look at neighborhood park, community park, and open space service areas. The areas depicted in off-white indicate under served areas within the Park District boundaries.

The coverage for the overall parks service area indicates that all of the residential areas within the Washington Park District limits are served by existing parks. Gaps in service for neighborhood parks that do exist are at the fringe of the existing service areas, but are still within the one mile service area of a community park. The Overall Park Service Area Map indicates that the population of the Washington Park District is well served by parks and open space based on zoning and current land use.

In contrast to the service area coverage, the existing Level of Service for total owned parks indicates an acreage deficiency based on the population served. It can be deduced from this statistic that while the Washington Park District experiences adequate service area coverage from existing parks, the park sizes do not sufficiently serve the population based upon the park acreage standard goal. This plan will address these acreage shortfalls and offer attainable solutions for the Park District in future chapters.

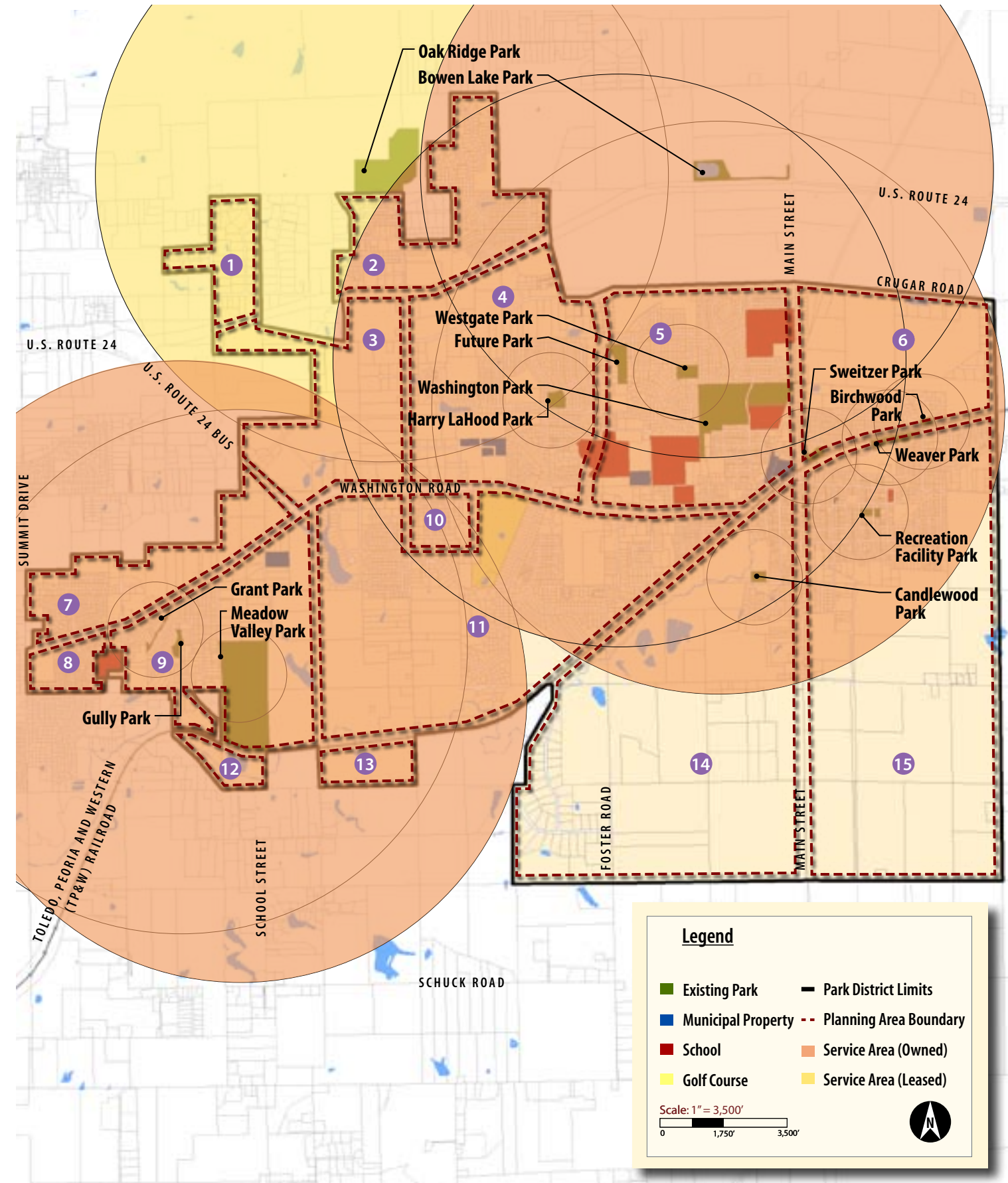
Level of Service - Owned Only						
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Community Park	163.80	59.00	6.68	183.89	7.50	-20.09
Open Space	17.88	0.00	0.73	12.26	0.50	5.62
<b>Total Parks</b>	<b>198.38</b>	<b>61.90</b>	<b>8.09</b>	<b>245.18</b>	<b>10.00</b>	<b>-46.80</b>

Recommended acreage is based off the existing population of 24518

Level of Service - Owned and Leased						
Classification	WPD Acreage (Owned)	WPD Acreage (Leased)	WPD Existing Level of Service (acres / 1,000 population)	IAPD/NRPA Recommended Acreage	IAPD/NRPA Recommended Level of Service (acres / 1,000 population)	Acreage deficiency / surplus (acre)
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Community Park	163.80	59.00	9.09	183.89	7.50	38.92
Open Space	17.88	0.00	0.73	12.26	0.50	5.62
<b>Total Parks</b>	<b>198.38</b>	<b>61.90</b>	<b>10.62</b>	<b>245.18</b>	<b>10.00</b>	<b>15.10</b>

Recommended acreage is based off the existing population of 24518

## Overall Park Service Areas Map Washington Park District





## Trail Corridor and Linkages

Community leaders envisioned a multipurpose trail system throughout the Washington Park District and beyond, to act not only as a recreational amenity, but to facilitate new transportation routes to and from public and private venues. Proposed trails were strategically planned and are identified in the City of Washington Comprehensive Plan, 2001. The Community Trail System Plan outlines trail classifications, trail routes, and potential alternate routes that should be considered as the Park District advances the plan.

Termed the Washington Recreational Trail, a standing advisory committee was appointed to maintain continuity over trail planning as it evolves.

Before providing local trail connections, it is important to review the larger picture of trails in the region, state, and nation. Regional trails include Pekin Park District Community Trail, Pimiteoui Trail, Rock Island Trail, Constitutional Trail, and the River Trail of Illinois. If possible, connections should be made to or directed toward these, which will expand indirect access to the Rock Island, Hennepin, Grand Illinois, and the American Discovery Trail as well as many smaller tributary trails to these throughout the state.

There has been progress in implementing portions of the Washington Recreation Trail since the City of Washington Comprehensive Plan was adopted. The next page illustrates the City's trail system in its current state. Definitions for the legend terms generally reference realistic probability of trail segments indicated.



Recreation Trail Character (Prototype)



Pekin Community Trail



Rock Island Trail

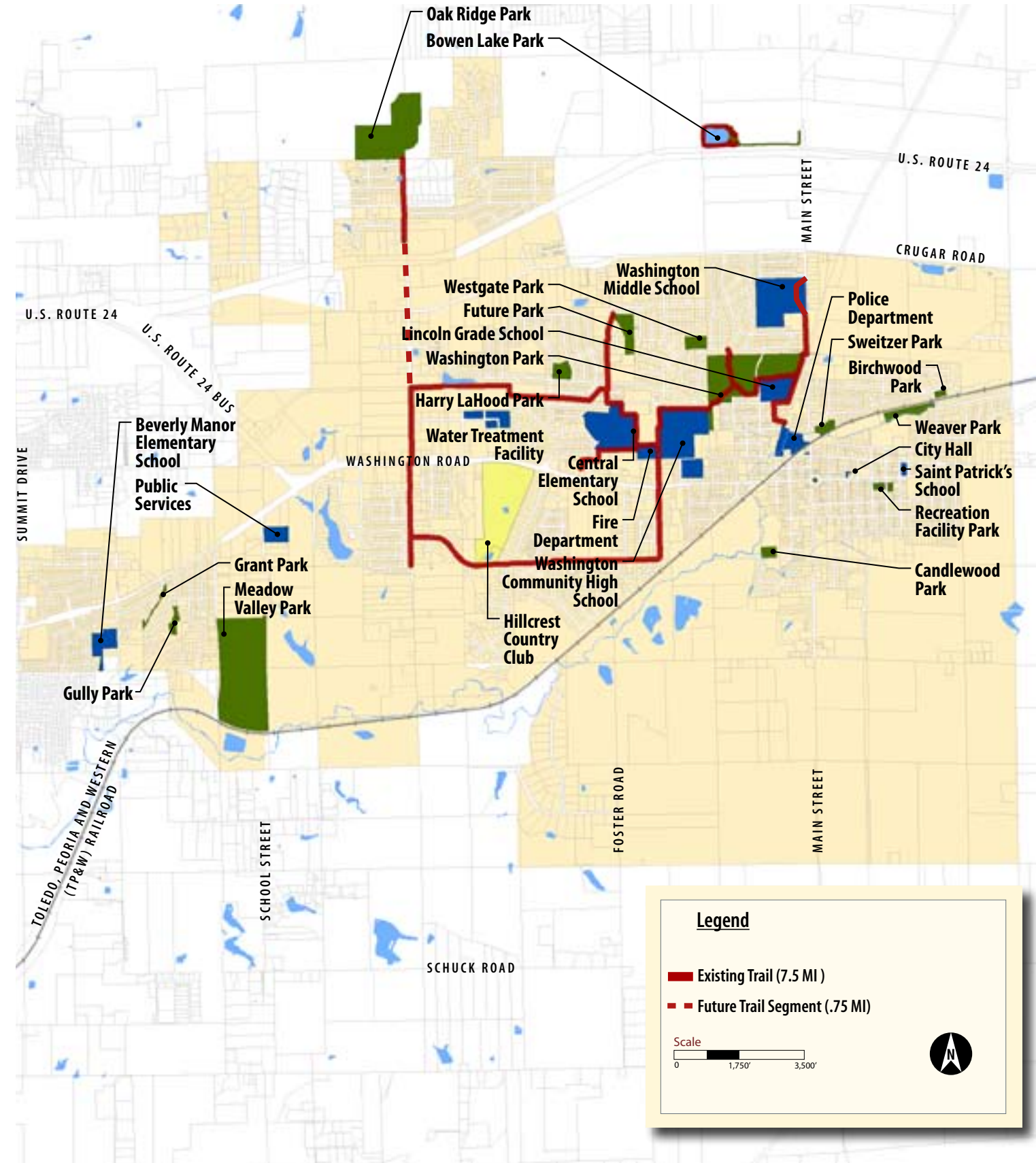


River Trail of Illinois



Constitutional Trail

## Trail Corridor Map Washington Park District



## Outdoor Facility Comparison Analysis

The table below was derived from the Illinois Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP). It compares the estimated supply of outdoor recreational amenities provided within the State of Illinois to the number of amenities provided by the Park District on a per 1,000 population basis for the existing population of 24,518. It also compares the Park District's amenities in existing parks against available NRPA standards. Once leased property is secured additional amenities will be included. At this time, however, amenities on leased land are omitted from the chart below. Items that are clearly beyond their useful life, based on IDNR guidelines (see Appendix) have been omitted from the table. The line items highlighted are amenities the Washington Park District is deficient in comparison to the state average and their useful life criteria.

It is important to note that this list is not inclusive of all amenities suggested in SCORP as some amenities (e.g. handball, badminton) are not likely in this community. This information is reviewed by the IDNR when considering the award of grant program funding for park improvements. Additionally, the framework should remain flexible to incorporate future needs of new amenities that may arise, such as bocce or cricket. Typically, such further examination involves a more thorough understanding of the existing and projected demographics, understanding the unique characteristics of the community including programming trends, evaluating available park land and integrating the future land use plan. Lastly, it is recommended that a comprehensive capital plan be considered that builds upon this information. Such a plan would provide specific direction in locating the recommended amenities as well as identifying suitable or additional land for these amenities.

The Facility Comparison Analysis, which compares the Park District's existing facilities with the number recommended by the State of Illinois, indicates a need for additional trails, playgrounds, tennis, basketball, volleyball, baseball, soccer fields, skate parks, spray grounds and fishing opportunities.

	WPD		Illinois Facility Average		NRPA Standards		
	Existing # of Facilities	Existing # of Facilities per 1,000 population	IL Average # of Facilities per 1,000 population	Total # of Facilities needed to meet IL Average	NRPA # of facilities per capita	NRPA # of Facilities per 1,000 population	Total # of Facilities needed to meet NRPA Standards
<b>WATER BASED FACILITIES</b>							
Fishing Piers / Docks	1	0.04	0.4080	10.0			
Boat Launch Ramps	1	0.04	0.1200	2.9			
Swimming Pools	1	0.04	0.0282	0.7	1 per 20,000	0.05	1.2
<b>TRAILS</b>							
Multi-Use Trails (miles)	1.7	0.07	0.1630	4.0			
Bicycle Trails		0.00	0.1058	2.6			
Horseback Trails		0.00	0.1900	4.7			
Physical Fitness Trails (stations)		0.00	0.2200	5.4			
Nature/Interpretive Trails (miles)	1.0	0.04	0.0547	1.3			
Snowmobile Trails		0.00	0.1100	2.7			
<b>DAY USE FACILITIES</b>							
Picnic Shelters	11	0.45	0.2060	5.1			
Playgrounds	7	0.29	0.4035	9.9			
Interpretive Centers		0.00	0.0100	0.2			
<b>SPORT COURTS &amp; FIELDS</b>							
Tennis Courts	3	0.12	0.4900	12.0	1 per 2,000	0.50	12.3
Basketball Courts	2	0.08	0.2500	6.1	1 per 5,000	0.20	4.9
Volleyball Courts	2	0.08	0.1700	4.2	1 per 5,000	0.20	4.9
Baseball Fields	2	0.08	0.2552	6.3	1 per 5,000	0.20	4.9
Softball Fields	5	0.20	0.1425	3.5	1 per 5,000	0.20	4.9
Football Fields		0.00	0.0546	1.3	1 per 20,000	0.05	1.2
Soccer Fields		0.00	0.1779	4.4	1 per 10,000	0.10	2.5
18-Hole Golf Courses	0	0.00	0.0081	0.2	18 per 50,000		
18-Hole Disc Golf Courses	1	0.04	0.0081	0.2	18 per 50,000		
Golf Courses (holes)		0.00				0.36	8.8
Running Tracks		0.00	0.0500	1.2	1 per 20,000	0.05	1.2
Ice Rinks		0.00	0.0400	1.0			
Horseshoe Pits		0.00	0.2413	5.9	18 per 50,000		
Dog Parks		0.00	0.0074	0.2	1 per 5,000		
Skate Park		0.00	0.0163	0.4			
Spray Ground	1	0.04	0.0292	0.7			
Badminton		0.00			1 per 5,000	0.20	4.9
Handball		0.00			1 per 20,000	0.05	1.2
Field Hockey		0.00			1 per 20,000	0.05	1.2
Golf Driving Range		0.00			1 per 50,000	0.02	0.5

## Parks, Open Space and Facilities Inventory

In addition to the Inventory and Analysis findings in this chapter, an evaluation of each individual park site was completed to determine opportunities and potential recommendations. Each site was visited and photographed by the planning team. Washington Park District staff provided information on the park's use, any site issues, and desired improvements. Individual park inventories are located in Chapter 6 with an evaluation on the following criteria:

- Environmental Observations
- Safety Observations
- Site Design
- Site Accessibility
- Park Recommendations

## Chapter Summary

An extensive Inventory and Analysis was conducted to gather information on the Washington Park District's existing resources. The planning team prepared detailed maps of the parks and existing conditions; identified all park land, open space, schools, trails and relative adjacent land uses; and classified all park land based on standards, size, location and amenities. Using this information, an analysis was completed to determine how well the Park District's parks and facilities are meeting the needs of the existing population, compared to recommended state and national standards.

The Level of Service analysis for the existing population indicates the Park District does not meet the Level of Service for neighborhood parks, but once overlaid with community parks, services each area relatively well. The Park District is meeting the overall Service Area requirements within residential areas of the District but could improve neighborhood park coverage. It can be concluded from these two measurement methods, that the Washington Park District experiences reasonable service area coverage from its parks and their distribution once connected with a trail system and safe roadway crossings. Although there is deficiency of area for all park types when leased land is not included, the Park District recognizes the limited opportunities to acquire large areas of open space and will continue to consider exploring acquisition as opportunities arise, specifically for neighborhood parks in planning areas 1, 2, 3, 7, 10, and 11.

## Key Points of Inventory and Analysis

- The total level of service of 8.09 acres per 1,000 population is less than our goal of 10.0 acres per 1,000.
- With the inclusion of leased land, the projected level of service is 10.62 acres per 1,000 bringing the Park District above the goal of 10.0 acres per 1,000 population.
- Based on the level of service, the Washington Park District is deficient in Neighborhood park acreage.

*Chapter Three:*  
**Needs Assessment**

*April 2012*

# Chapter Three: Needs Assessment

## Background

This chapter documents the Washington Park District’s apparent issues and needs at the time of this study. With this data, the planning team determined the types and quantities of facilities that are needed to satisfy the stated goals of the Recreation Department. The apparent issues and needs were identified during two days of stakeholder meetings with leadership from around the community as well as an online user survey advertised through the program catalog, local newspaper, and web site. This information was woven together with the analysis of the level of service data, service area maps, demographic characteristics and local trends.

## Research

### National Recreation Trends

An understanding of park trends is critical to determine the future demands for parks and recreation, and to begin planning for these demands today. National recreation trend reports were compiled from a variety of public and private sources to address the current National Recreation Participation Trends.

In 2010, the Sporting Goods Manufacturer’s Association (SGMA) commissioned a survey of American households to find out the activities in which they participate. The responses reflect the U.S. population who are at least 6 years of age and participated in the activity at least once per year. The top five team sports are basketball, baseball, outdoor soccer, touch football, and slow-pitch softball. The most popular activity among the surveyed households was fitness walking.

The Outdoor Industry Foundation (OIF) conducted a 2009 survey panel which included more than 15,013 individuals and 26,487 households, representing over one million Americans, and is maintained as a representative sample of the U.S. population. According to OIF’s report, many Americans are being introduced to outdoor recreation in youth, but adult Americans are not maintaining participation rates as high as youth rates. The report also concludes that although a number of Americans are trying outdoor activities, 43% of participants get outdoors less than twice a month.

The top 5 outdoor activities of American Youth, age 6-17, by number of outings are: 1. Bicycling, 2. Running/Jogging/Trail Running, 3. Skateboarding, 4. Fishing, 5. Camping

The top 5 outdoor activities of American Youth, age 18-24, by number of outings are: 1. Running/Jogging/Trail Running, 2. Bicycling, 3. Fishing, 4. Camping, 5. Hiking

According to recreational trends research performed in the industry over the past twenty years, the top five recreational activities for women are:

1. Walking, 2. Aerobics, 3. General exercising, 4. Biking, 5. Jogging

The top five recreational activities for men are: 1. Golf, 2. Basketball, 3. Walking, 4. Jogging, 5. Biking



Volleyball, soccer, and rugby were identified as the fastest growing sports in the U.S. by the OIF in 2009.

“Parks encourage people to get outdoors, to be more active, and improve their health. Providing parks and outdoor recreation that are close-to-home makes it easier for people to incorporate physical activity into their daily lives.”  
Illinois Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan 2009-2014

Fitness Walking is the most popular activity among the U.S. Population, according to the SGMA and OIF.

Based on current participation trends, men and women share a desire for three of the five most popular recreational activities. With more women participating in recreational activities further into adulthood, more are opting for less team oriented activities that dominate the female youth recreation environment and shifting towards a diverse selection of individual participant activities as evident in the top five recreational activities. Therefore, there are opportunities to engage active adults in activities such as biking and walking clubs.

In addition, a sub-movement has been evolving in the play environment category, backed by the Richard Louv hypothesis that questions the availability of natural environments for children to explore without structure. This has led to nature based play environments, children’s gardens, and less structured play equipment like ropes and rocks. With many of the District’s play environments in need of updating, ample opportunity exists to align the system with this methodology and take advantage of the potential cost savings affiliated with this type of environment.

### Illinois Recreation Trends

According to the 2008 Illinois Outdoor Recreation Survey, residents were asked the importance of access to outdoor recreation activities. Respondents ranked pleasure walking, picnicking, playgrounds, hiking, outdoor swimming pools, bicycle trails, fishing, observing wildlife, running/jogging, and softball/baseball as very important. The top 10 participation rates of outdoor recreation was pleasure walking, picnicking, observing wildlife, outdoor swimming pools, playgrounds, hiking, bicycle trails on roads, fishing, swimming outdoors other than at pools, and bicycling on trails.

Respondents felt that having fun, experiencing nature/enjoying outdoors, spending time with family and friends, exposing children to nature, and escaping the daily routine were the top five reasons for engaging in outdoor recreation. In relation, the main recreation activities found near the home were bicycling, pleasure walking, running/jogging, outdoor basketball, and in-line skating.

The percentages of pleasure walking, using a playground, picnicking, swimming at an outdoor pool, and bicycling had higher participation rates in families with children. This statistic in particular has a strong correlation with the Washington Park District demographics and the services they provide.

Potential growth in outdoor activities was also studied with pleasure walking, bicycling, fishing, hiking, and camping rated at the top and golf, canoeing, hunting, swimming, and equestrian activities seen as secondary activities for potential growth. Overall, the survey indicates that Illinois park users value numerous aspects of a Park District’s system.

## Demographic Analysis

The demographic analysis has implications for the services provided to residents by the Washington Park District. Some of these include the following areas:

- The community is dominated by family households indicating a need to target family unit needs for programs and facilities, not just targeting the individual program user.
- There is an even balance of female and male citizens indicating a need for equal balance in programming and facilities.
- There is a good balance of age ranges indicating opportunities for cross-generational activities.
- This good balance also signifies an age balanced program and facility goal should be set.

## Needs Input Phase

### Stakeholder Meetings

Focus groups were held with various interested stakeholders and the Park District staff members. In addition, an online survey was distributed as a way of supplementing the focus groups.

Stakeholder Meeting #1, held on November 16, 2011 consisted of the following groups:

1. School District Superintendents and Representatives
2. Washington Park District Staff
3. Community Interest Groups (1)
4. Recreation Trail Committee
5. Local Athletics Organizations

Stakeholder Meeting #2, held on November 21, 2011 consisted of the following groups:

1. City of Washington
2. Community Interest Groups (2 & 3)
3. Washington Park District Board of Commissioners

The Community Service Groups were made up of a diverse collection of attendees and were advertised as public open meetings. Some attendee affiliations included: Residents, Washington Fire Department, Washington Police Department, Washington Library, Washington Chamber of Commerce, Private Recreation Providers, athletics groups, WPD coaches, Washington Community Bank, and private businesses.

The meetings included a brief discussion of the research and analysis to date. No presumptions or pre-conceived notions of outcome had been formulated prior to the meetings. Open, honest conversation was sought about; What is good? What is bad? What is not working? What works well? What have you seen elsewhere? What would you like to see here? Meeting notes and attendance lists were taken for each group and have been included in their entirety in the appendix.



## Key Stakeholder Meeting Takeaways

Common threads and repeated elements emerged from the discussion and became the basis of initial priorities and helped to shape the questions for the user input survey. Categorized key takeaways included the following:

### District-wide Strategies

- Youth population and demand for youth facilities is increasing
- Partnerships with a variety of public and private partners are and will be critical
- Volunteerism and grass roots fundraising is important
- Improvements should be high quality enough to be competitive
- Inconsistent public perception issues exist with the Park District purpose, funding, partnerships, and success
- The groups noted a general excitement about recent years improvements and overall satisfaction with programs and facilities
- Develop the ability to track progress toward desired goals and user satisfaction
- Work with the City to develop Policy that allows for Park District input during development review
- Consider merging Washington Park District (WPD)/Washington Recreation Association (WRA)

### Recreation Programs

- Maintain current diverse group of offerings
- Consider more festivals and events
- Consider revenue generating programs, events, and the facilities needed to support them

### Existing Parks and Facilities

- Security, Safety and Vandalism should be addressed throughout the park system
- Improvements at Oak Ridge Park are a priority
- Improvements at the Recreation Facility are a priority
- Overuse and neglect are showing wear at multiple facilities
- Baseball/Softball fields are in high demand
- Indoor court space is in high demand
- Resources for maintenance of parks are stretched too thin
- Consider the addition of a dog park
- Consider the addition of a skate park
- Consider improved parking
- Consider developing a festival space
- Consider pool improvements

### New Parks and Facilities

- Continue systematic acquisition, easements, and use agreements to develop the bike trail system
- Consider acquiring land in deficient planning areas for a neighborhood park
- Consider the development of an ice rink
- Consider the development of batting cages

### Trails

- Bike trails are an assets to the community that should be continued
- Improve hiking trails in natural areas.

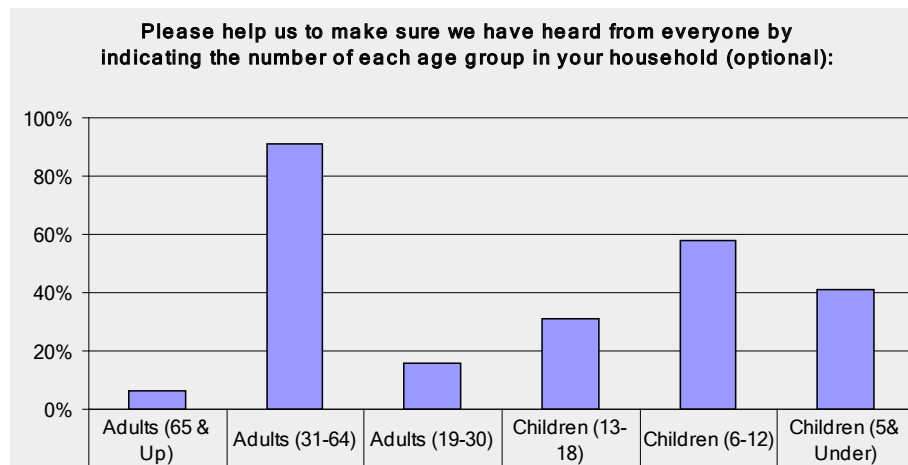
### Community Input - User Survey

A web-based survey was conducted to understand the community's perception of the Washington Park District and identify the resident's top priorities. The survey was advertised on the District's web site, in newspaper articles, and delivered to all residents within their program guide. Hardcopy versions of the survey were also made available at the Park District Administrative office for those without computer access and were mailed to anyone inquiring upon request.

The Community Survey template is located on the following pages and responses in their entirety are located in the Appendix. The survey was sent to over 13,825 people through the program catalog, with a service population size of 24,518. The survey received 252 responses representing 484 people between November 21, 2011 and January 13, 2012. The survey was requested from each household however and not each individual, so the participation rate is 2% of the population and 3.5% of those sampled. The response provides +/- 4.41% margin of error with a 95% confidence rating and is adequate for this type of survey, especially knowing that responses will be supplemented by stakeholder input.

### Survey Demographics

Participants were asked to provide the number of people within each age range within their household to assist in making sure all age groups were accounted for. The survey indicated that a generally broad range of ages participated providing further confidence in the results. Voices of adults over 65, appear to be in need of more attention, however the next age range is higher than all of the rest, likely covering many adults approaching the 65 and over range. The age ranges participating are identified in the following chart.



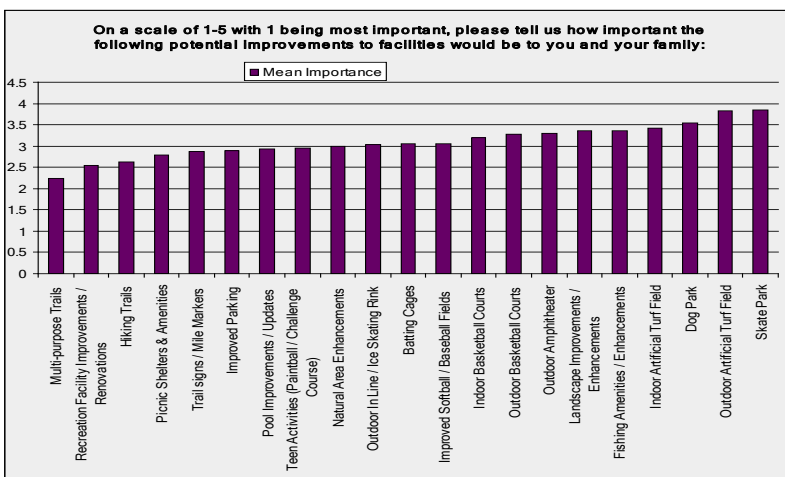
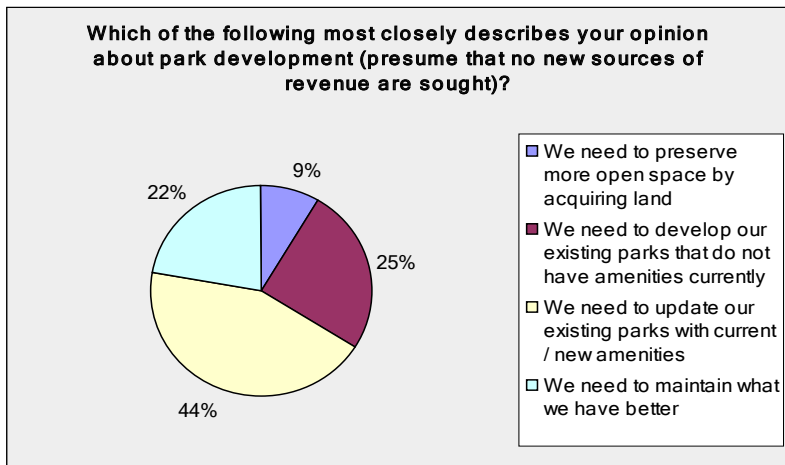
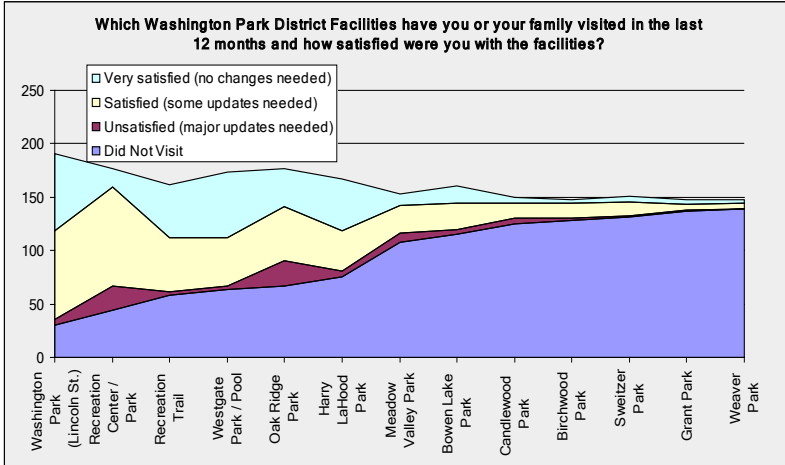
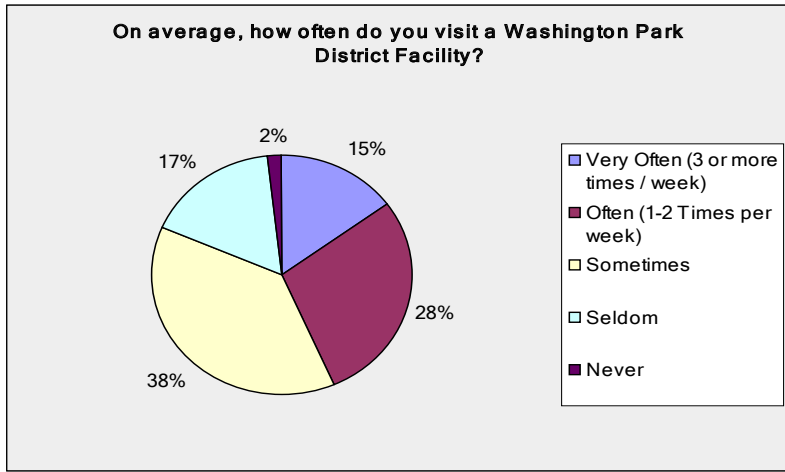
### Survey Toplines

Common threads and repeated elements emerged from the survey and have been noted below without prioritization. Categorized key topline included the following:

- 43% of respondents indicated that they visited WPD parks once per week or more.
- Some changes or improvements were indicated as needed at the Recreation Center and Oak Ridge Park by nearly 80% of respondents.
- Excepting Harry LaHood Park, the neighborhood parks were visited by less than 20% of respondents and very few households were satisfied with their state.
- Unprogrammed natural areas were only visited by 30% of respondents.
- The Recreation Trail was used by over 60% of respondents, with about 30% requesting additional improvements to the trail.
- 43% of respondents are in favor of updating the existing parks with new amenities.
- Park Elements found important to more than 45% of respondents include: Multi-purpose trails, Hiking Trails, and Recreation Facility Improvements.
- Park Elements found unimportant to more than 45% of respondents include: skate park, dog park, outdoor basketball, batting cages, fishing amenities, landscape enhancements, artificial turf, and an outdoor amphitheater.
- Youth athletics were the primary program attended with nearly 60% indicating none or minor updates needed.
- All other programs have less than 50% participation rates, and adult programs have less than 15% participation rates.
- Special events have a 50% participation rating and the highest (at 18%) completely satisfied rate.
- Festivals and events showed 50% of respondents are interested in participating.
- Over 50% indicated that job skills training is not needed.
- 88.5% of respondents indicated that they moderately or fully support trail development.
- 72% of people would like to receive information through e-mail, and nearly 40% still found value in the program guide, while 25% sought to gain information from the web site.

### Survey Common Comments

- More indoor court space is needed
- Vandalism and maintenance issues exist at most structures/restrooms
- Oak Ridge Park is in need of updates
- Update soccer fields
- Update baseball fields
- Recreation Facility restrooms are in need of updates
- More trails are desirable



**Survey Indications**

The Park District System is a part of everyday life for this physically active community.

Neighborhood parks get very little use and are in need of improvement.  
Harry LaHood could serve as a model.  
Washington, Rec Center, Trail, Pool and Oak Ridge have the most visitation deserving the most focus.  
Of the highest visited parks, Oak Ridge and the Rec Center indicate the least satisfaction deserving the most focus.

Focus should be on updating existing parks with new amenities.

Trails are important.  
Rec Center is Important.  
More justification/education is required for Dog Park, Skate Park, artificial turf and fishing investments.

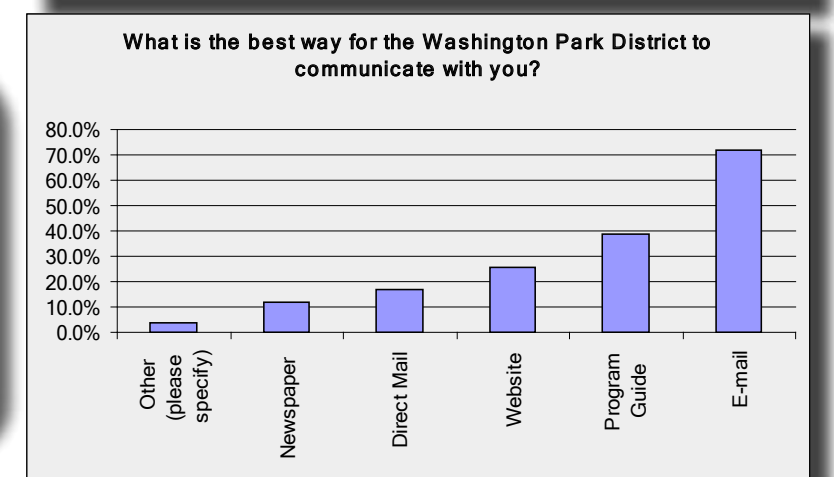
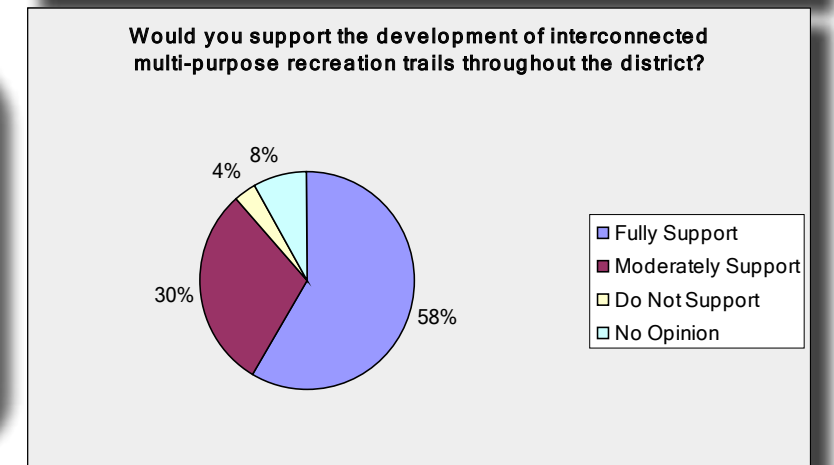
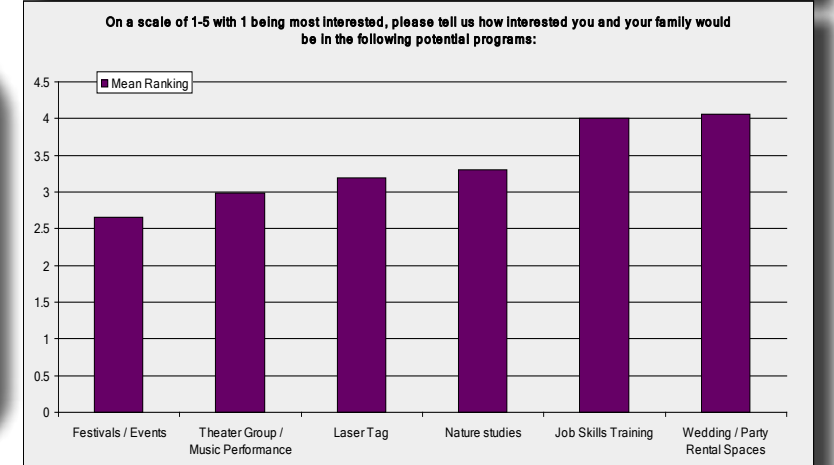
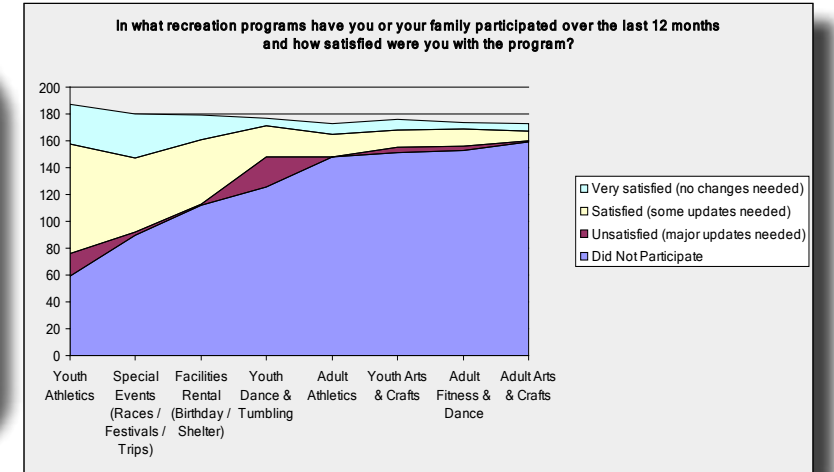
**Survey Indications**

Youth athletics have most participation and satisfaction indicating the current focus is correct.  
Of participants, all programs enjoy relatively consistent satisfaction.  
Adult activities have low participation and may be in need of better promotion or offering changes.  
Adult programs and youth arts and crafts and tumbling are in need of improvements.

Low interest in any of the suggested offerings indicates more creative offerings are needed or that current offerings generally cover the needs.  
Of those suggested, festivals and theater/music group performances appear to have the most interest.

Trails are important and supported.

E-mail is the best communication tool.  
The program guide still has value.  
Website is important.



# Community User Survey Template

The Washington Park District is undertaking a Systemwide Comprehensive Plan that will evaluate all of their parks and facilities and make recommendations for priorities moving into the future. Your input about what is important to you and your family is critical to the success of the process. Please take just a few minutes to answer the following questions to the best of your ability. One survey per family please. Thanks in advance for your time and thoughtful answers. **Please return by December 23, 2011 to Washington Park District, 105 South Spruce Street, Washington, Illinois 61571.** The survey can also be filled out on line by clicking the link at [www.washingtonparkdistrict.com](http://www.washingtonparkdistrict.com).

## 1. On average, how often do you visit a Washington Park District Facility?

Very Often (3 or more times / week)	Often (1-2 Times per week)	Sometimes	Seldom	Never
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

## 2. Which Washington Park District Facilities have you or your family visited in the last 12 months and how satisfied were you with the facilities?

	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	Satisfied (some updates needed)	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	Did Not Visit
Recreation Facility / Park (Spruce St.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Washington Park (Lincoln St.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Oak Ridge Park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Meadow Valley Park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Bowen Lake Park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Birchwood Park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Candlewood Park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Grant Park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Harry LaHood Park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sweitzer Park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Weaver Park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Westgate Park / Pool	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Recreation Trail	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other / Comments:				

## 3. Which of the following most closely describes your opinion about park development (presume that no new sources of revenue are sought)?

We need to preserve more open space by acquiring land	We need to develop our existing parks that do not have amenities currently	We need to update our existing parks with current / new amenities	We need to maintain what we have better
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

## 4. On a scale of 1-5 with 1 being most important, please tell us how important the following potential improvements to facilities would be to you and your family:

	1	2	3	4	5
Multi-purpose Trails	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hiking Trails	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Trail signs / Mile Markers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Skate Park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Dog Park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Outdoor Basketball Courts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Indoor Basketball Courts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Improved Softball / Baseball Fields	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Batting Cages	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Improved Parking	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Recreation Facility Improvements / Renovations	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Pool Improvements / Updates	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Natural Area Enhancements	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fishing Amenities / Enhancements	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

## Question 4. (Continued)

	1	2	3	4	5
Picnic Shelters & Amenities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Teen Activities (Paint ball / Challenge Course)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Landscape Improvements & Enhancements	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Indoor Artificial Turf Field	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Outdoor Artificial Turf Field	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Outdoor Amphitheater	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Outdoor In line / Ice Skating Rink	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other / Comments:					

## 5. In what existing recreation programs have you or your family participated over the last 12 months and how satisfied were you with the program?

	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	Satisfied (some updates needed)	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	Did Not Visit
Facilities Rental (Birthday / Shelter)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Special Events (Races / Festivals / Trips)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Senior Activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Adult Fitness & Dance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Adult Arts & Crafts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Adult Athletics	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Youth Dance & Tumbling	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Youth Arts & Crafts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Youth Athletics	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other / Comments:				

## 6. On a scale of 1-5 with 1 being the most interested, please tell us how interested you and your family would be in the following potential programs:

	1	2	3	4	5
Theater Group/ Music Performance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Laser Tag	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Nature studies	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Job Skills Training	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Festivals / Events	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Wedding / Party / Rental Spaces	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other / Comments:					

## 7. Would you support the development of interconnected multi-purpose recreation trails throughout the district?

Fully Support	Moderately Support	Do Not Support	No Opinion
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

## 8. What is the best way for the Washington Park District to communicate with you?

Program Guide	Website	E-mail	Direct Mail	Newspaper	Other (specify)
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	

## 9. Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional):

Adults (65 & Up)	Adults (31-64)	Adults (19-30)	Children (13-18)	Children (6-12)	Children (5 & Under)
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>



## Chapter Summary

The Needs Assessment chapter documented the Parks and Recreation Department's issues and considerations. National, state and local park trends were also studied to anticipate the future needs of the community. The planning team also met with staff, board members, and the community to discuss key issues and considerations within the Park District covering the topics of:

- Districtwide Strategies
- Recreation Programs
- Existing Parks, Trails, and Facilities
- New Parks, Trails, and Facilities

The next two chapters discuss how to accommodate these considerations. Where goals and policies are stated, projects are identified in the community, specific actions are stated and potential implementation tools are identified.

# Chapter Four: Plan Recommendations

*April 2012*

## Chapter Four: Plan Recommendations

This chapter contains the vision, goals and recommendations critical to meet the recreational needs of the community that the Washington Park District serves. The recommendations are grouped into four separate categories:

- Districtwide Strategies
- Recreation Programs
- Existing Parks, Trails, and Facilities
- New Parks, Trails, and Facilities

Each category has individual recommendations with an open box. In order to maintain this document as a “working list” staff should check recommendations off of the list as they are completed.

### Planning Process

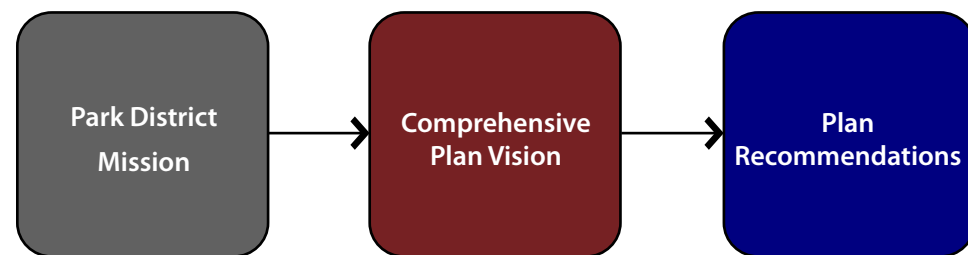
The Washington Park District’s Mission Statement, the goals established for this project, the findings of the research and analysis phase, as well as the public input provided in the Needs Assessment Phase, had direct input in establishing the Comprehensive Plan Vision. From the vision that was established for this plan, the alternative strategies and ultimately the plan recommendations were developed.

### Park District Mission Statement

To provide quality recreational programs, facilities and parks that meet the leisure needs and improve the quality of life for the residents of Washington.

### Comprehensive Plan Vision

The Washington Park District will improve the system of parks, facilities, and programs responding to the needs identified by the Board, staff and residents. This system will provide unique recreation experiences and enhanced quality of life for all ages and abilities in the community.



Planning Process Diagram



Hiking trail at Meadow Valley Park

## Districtwide Strategies

### Districtwide Goals

- Support and advance community partnerships.
- Improve the overall public understanding of the offerings, strengths and success of the Park District.
- Balance resources available and supplement where possible.

### Districtwide Recommendations

- ❑ Maintain and enhance existing partnerships and work to develop additional partnerships with both the private and public sector to support the goals of the plan.
  - ⇒ City of Washington
  - ⇒ Consider combining Washington Recreation Association (WRA), the Northern Tazewell Recreation Association (NTRA) and Washington Park District (WPD) to avoid overlap or competing services
  - ⇒ Five Points Washington
  - ⇒ Golf course and driving range
  - ⇒ Community Theater
  - ⇒ Special Recreation Association
  - ⇒ Naming rights, donors and amenity sponsorships (bricks, benches, trees, etc.)
- ❑ Create an avenue for volunteers.
  - ⇒ Community Watch Group
  - ⇒ Trail/park maintenance (similar to Peoria’s CORE program)
- ❑ Benchmark the Park District’s assets and programming against neighboring communities for major park facilities like sports complexes and recreation centers.
- ❑ Track ADA specific funds and implement accessibility compliance features at all parks and facilities where feasible. Consider a specific ADA transition plan for buildings.
- ❑ Consider a green initiative aimed at reducing operational costs.
- ❑ Develop a Public Relations strategy to disseminate positive and clear information about the Park District to the public including:
  - ⇒ Improve website to allow for content updating by staff
  - ⇒ Use e-mail to communicate to population served
  - ⇒ Develop a self promotion/marketing plan to make community aware of offerings
- ❑ Seek additional capital and operational resources through the following:
  - ⇒ Research and establish a sponsorship program for naming rights (trees, benches, etc.)
  - ⇒ Maximize use of WPD Foundation for appropriate project purposes
  - ⇒ Establish a proactive and consistent grant funding plan (OSLAD, IDNR Trails, IEPA, etc.)
- ❑ Establish written policies with the City of Washington to:
  - ⇒ Document past agreements
  - ⇒ Intergovernmental agreement with the City for use of Grade School
  - ⇒ Formally input on new private development
  - ⇒ Solidify a land/cash donation ordinance/procedure
  - ⇒ Document use/maintenance agreements for trails
- ❑ Adopt a goal of acquiring/leasing 10-acres per 1,000 populations served with park type acreage breakdowns per NRPA standards. Solidify long term leases for leased property.

## Recreation Program Strategies

Programming was not a primary focus of the plan, so an in-depth analysis is not provided within. Although not exhaustive, these programming recommendations are derived from park and facility related recommendations that emerged from the needs assessment.

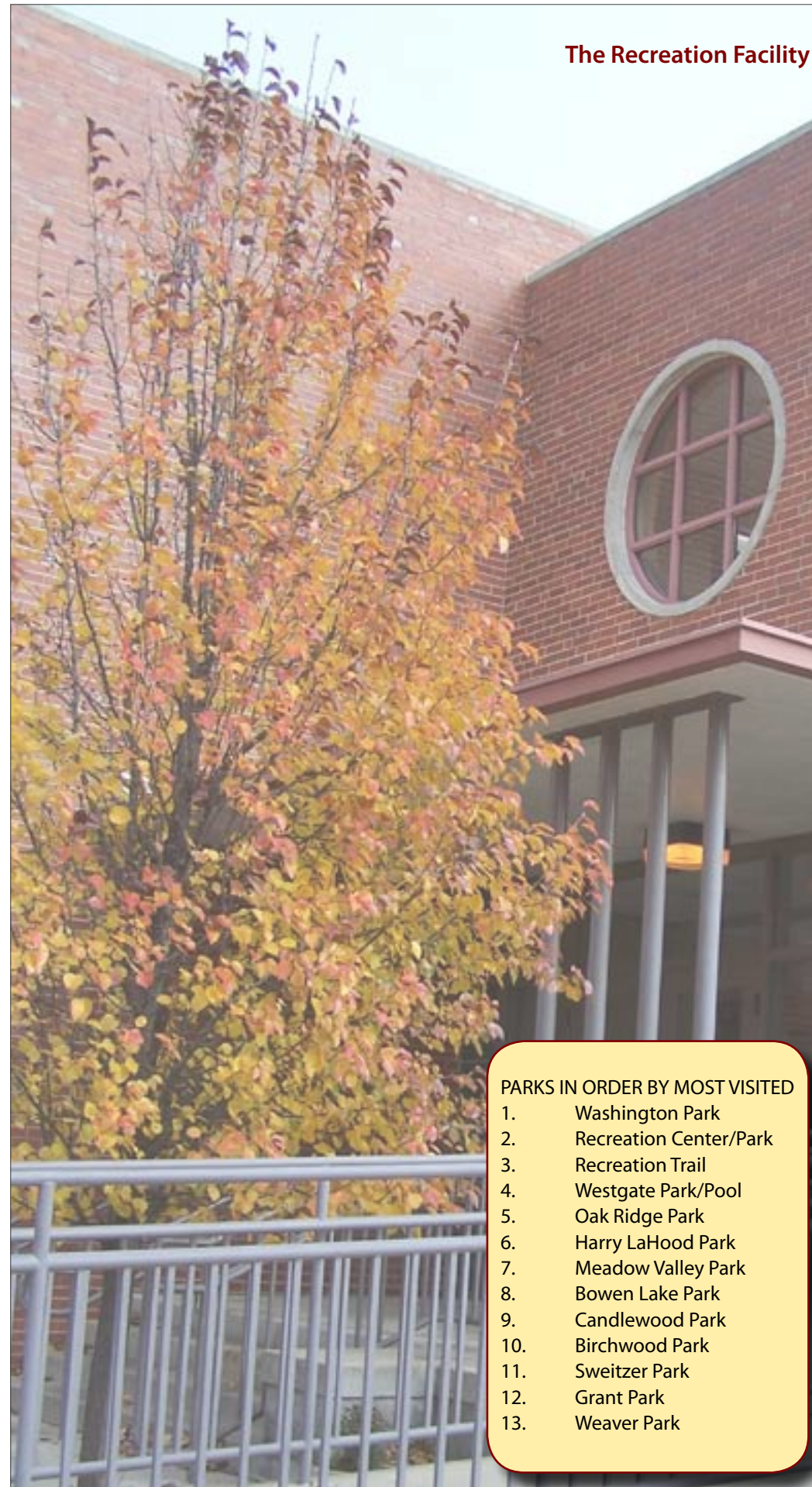
From the stakeholder input, we found the current program offering provided an appropriate level of activity diversity and the programs were run with only minor needs for improvement. This suggests that in addition to continuous improvement with the existing programs, smaller more targeted program offerings could be provided to expand participation. Additional programming opportunities lie with the refinement/expansion of physical facility improvements as well. The following items emerged specifically by the process.

### Program Goals

- Continue and advance a diverse offering of programs for all ages and abilities.
- Increase programming alongside park and facility development.
- Focus on revenue generating events to balance core programs.

### Program Recommendations

- ❑ Develop new revenue generating programs and events including:
  - ⇒ Mid-tier sports tournaments
  - ⇒ Runs/Races
  - ⇒ Festivals/Celebrations
- ❑ Consider increases in the following categories:
  - ⇒ Arts and crafts
  - ⇒ Seniors activities
  - ⇒ Coach training
  - ⇒ Winter activities
- ❑ Consider nature-based program offerings including:
  - ⇒ Nature hikes/Night hikes
  - ⇒ Bird watching
  - ⇒ Nature studies
  - ⇒ Camping
  - ⇒ Challenge course
- ❑ Promote activities in conjunction with new facility improvements.
  - ⇒ Wedding rentals
  - ⇒ Summer concerts
  - ⇒ Theater performances
- ❑ Develop a mechanism for user program evaluation that provides timely feedback



## Existing Parks, Trails, and Facilities Strategies

The following recommendations are directly related to the level of service and service area analysis in Chapter 2 and the issues and considerations described in Chapter 3. The Existing Parks and Facilities Map illustrates these recommendations.

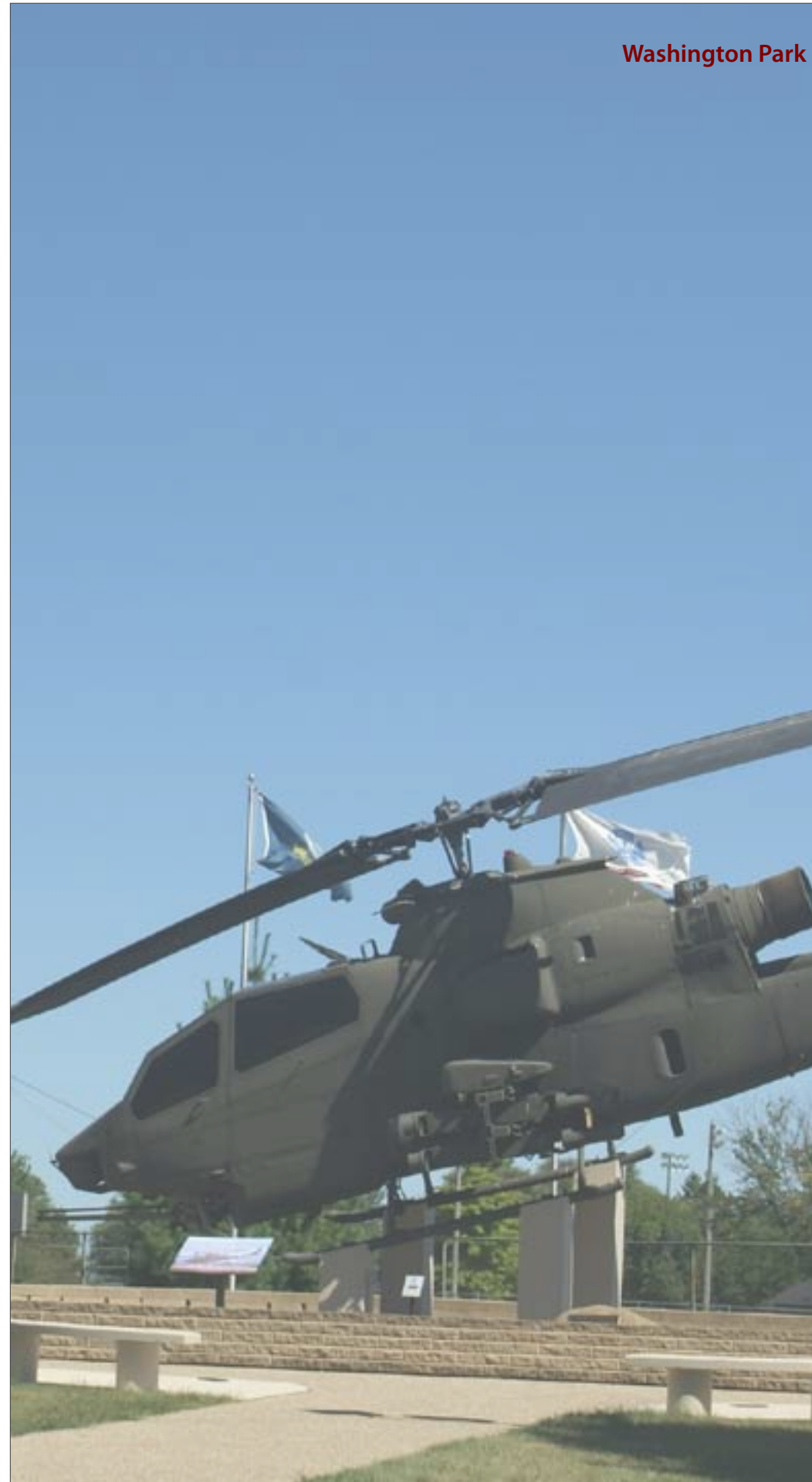
### Existing Parks, Trails, and Facilities Goals

- Improve the Oak Ridge Park Facility.
- Improve the existing parks through increased maintenance, repairs, replacements, and the addition of new amenities.
- Improve the Recreation Facility.
- Balance the items above with resources available, actively seeking project partners to accelerate opportunities.

### Existing Parks, Trails, and Facilities Recommendations

- ❑ Complete finish and adopt the master plan to improve Oak Ridge Park including:
  - ⇒ Softball/Baseball
  - ⇒ Soccer/Lacrosse/Football
  - ⇒ Sports Lighting
  - ⇒ Interpretive/Fitness Trail
  - ⇒ Overlook
  - ⇒ Nature based play
  - ⇒ High quality turf
  - ⇒ Parking
- ❑ Implement the master plan to improve the Recreation facility focusing on:
  - ⇒ Improving restrooms.
  - ⇒ Adding an additional indoor gymnasium/basketball court space.
  - ⇒ Expand tumbling space.
  - ⇒ Model The Centre in Elgin when making indoor improvements.
  - ⇒ Re-purpose stage area.
  - ⇒ Add kitchenette.
  - ⇒ Pool table/gaming area.
  - ⇒ Enhance access to indoor batting cages.
- ❑ Create a systematic approach targeting repair and replacement of neighborhood park amenities, including access to them and the creation of a unique environment for each. See individual park recommendations on park inventory sheets.
  - ⇒ Shelters
  - ⇒ Site Furniture
  - ⇒ Pathways
  - ⇒ Play Environment
- ❑ Improve park maintenance resources.
  - ⇒ Develop a management plan for owned natural areas addressing fire department coordination.
  - ⇒ Establish a life-cycle replacement plan for all park facilities and amenities.
  - ⇒ Reduce or remove ornamental plantings to a level that is maintainable.

- ❑ Create a master plan for Washington Park considering:
  - ⇒ Accessible Pathways and Trails
  - ⇒ Baseball/Softball improvements
  - ⇒ Maintenance Building renovations/replacement
  - ⇒ Restroom Building renovations/replacement
  - ⇒ Sports lighting
  - ⇒ Cross country markers
  - ⇒ Parking expansion / improvements
  - ⇒ Site Amenities (benches, trash, signs, shelters, scoreboards, bleachers)
  - ⇒ Expand picnic amenities near Wenger Shelter
- ❑ Create a master plan to improve Meadow Valley Park considering:
  - ⇒ Expanded hiking trail network
  - ⇒ Add accessible pathways
  - ⇒ Improve shelters
  - ⇒ Unique destination amenities
  - ⇒ Wedding pavilion/amphitheater with scenic backdrop
  - ⇒ Interpretive features and wayfinding
  - ⇒ Challenge course
  - ⇒ Natural area management and enhancement
  - ⇒ Nature based play environments
- ❑ Refine the master plan for pool improvements including:
  - ⇒ Combine two pools into one
  - ⇒ Develop “current” pool amenities following recent trends
  - ⇒ Expand parking
- ❑ Prepare an action plan for tackling management challenges at Bowen Park including:
  - ⇒ Remedy algae bloom issue
  - ⇒ Pave gravel road and parking lot
  - ⇒ Stabilize erosion
  - ⇒ Repair/replace fishing dock
  - ⇒ Coordinate IDNR fish stocking
  - ⇒ Manage native plantings
  - ⇒ Interpretive signs
  - ⇒ Repair inaccessible trail segments
- ❑ Based on Facilities Need Analysis, seek to meet State standards through adding playgrounds, tennis courts, basketball courts, volleyball courts, baseball fields, soccer fields, skate parks, spray grounds and fishing opportunities, as confirmed by the public input process.
- ❑ Consider the addition of winter use amenities considering:
  - ⇒ Development of a ski/sled hill
  - ⇒ Development of an ice rink or skating area (flooded detention, etc)
  - ⇒ Cross country
- ❑ Balance needs, trends, funding requirements, and public relations when proposing the generally unsupported elements listed below:
  - ⇒ Consider implementing a skate park
  - ⇒ Consider outdoor full court basketball facility (lighted)
  - ⇒ Upgrade outdoor batting cages
  - ⇒ Consider implementing a dog park
  - ⇒ Consider adding features that improve fishing opportunities
  - ⇒ Consider construction of an indoor artificial turf field
  - ⇒ Consider developing an amphitheater for outdoor gatherings and performances



## New Parks, Trails, and Facilities Strategies

The following recommendations are directly related to the level of service and service area analysis in Chapter 2 and the issues and considerations described in Chapter 3.

### New Parks, Trails, and Facilities Goals

- Increase and improve trail access throughout the community.
- Acquire property where deficiencies exist and when willing seller or donor opportunities present themselves.

### New Parks, Trails, and Facilities Recommendations

- ❑ Continue to implement new trail links to connect park and school sites through land acquisition and/or securing easements and use-agreements.
  - ⇒ Add wayfinding signs and mile markers
  - ⇒ Add interpretive signage
  - ⇒ Add/Improve trailheads
  - ⇒ Add/Improve vehicular crossings
  - ⇒ Name and identify the system and it’s components
- ❑ Acquire Oak Ridge Park or secure long term lease for land.
- ❑ Specifically target the following trail links:
  - ⇒ Cummings Lane between Cruger Road and St. Claire Court
  - ⇒ Cruger Road between Dallas Road and Cummings Lane
  - ⇒ Cruger Road between Main Street and Dallas Road
  - ⇒ Dallas Road between Westminster Drive and Cruger Road
  - ⇒ Main Street from Cruger Road to Bowen Park
  - ⇒ Extend Trail to Meadow Valley Park
  - ⇒ Freedom Parkway, pending development needs
- ❑ Consider acquiring 5-10 acre neighborhood parks within or near planning areas 1, 2, 7, 10 and/or 11 totaling 25 or more acres of new neighborhood park space.
  - ⇒ Planning area 11 appeared as a priority during Needs Assessment.
  - ⇒ Avoid undevelopable land.
- ❑ Consider acquiring 5-10 acre neighborhood parks in planning areas 3, 14, and 15 if/when residential development expands to the southeast.
- ❑ Develop new hiking trails within the Park District’s natural areas.
- ❑ Explore land-trade or sale of Future Park.

*Chapter Five:*  
**Implementation  
Guideline**

*April 2012*

# Chapter Five: Implementation Guideline

## Planning Actions for Next 5 Years

This chapter lists the specific action items identified in the plan recommendations from Chapter Four. These items have been prioritized and targeted for action over the next 10 years. These items should be used as a guideline and reviewed each year and adjusted as needed to react to changes within the community, funding opportunities, and other Park District needs.

### Priority Group A (March 2012 - March 2013)

#### Programs

- Test and increase program diversity
- Develop a mechanism for program evaluation and feedback

#### Districtwide Strategies

- Adopt Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Master Plan
- Develop a partnership strategy for Five Points
- Develop a public relations strategy
- Develop a volunteer program
- Adopt a 10/1,000 land ownership goal
- Develop a green initiative aimed at cost reduction

#### Existing Parks, Trails, and Facilities

- Complete Oak Ridge Park Master Plan and submit for OSLAD Grant
- Develop a management plan for natural areas
- Reduce/remove ornamental planting to a maintainable level

#### New Parks, Trails, and Facilities

- Begin OSLAD process/negotiations for the acquisition/long term lease of Oak Ridge Park
- Develop a trail system standard for materials, signs, and names
- Evaluate trail crossing safety and target areas for improvement
- In partnership with City of Washington, implement trail Segment 1

### Priority Group B (March 2013 - March 2014)

#### Programs

- Continue to test and increase program diversity

#### Districtwide Strategies

- Develop a partnership strategy for the City of Washington
- Develop a partnership strategy for WRA
- Develop a partnership strategy for NTRA
- Develop a partnership strategy for the Golf Course and Driving Range
- Establish written policies for land ownership and leases
- Establish written policies regarding land cash
- Commission an ADA transition plan

#### Existing Parks, Trails, and Facilities

- Begin Candlewood Park updates
- Begin Oak Ridge Park design and begin Phase I improvements
- Prepare a plan for Bowen Lake Park management and updates

#### New Parks, Trails, and Facilities

- Implement trail standards on existing trails
- Apply for ITEP funding with the City of Washington to implement trail crossings identified for safety improvements
- In partnership with City of Washington, implement trail Segment 2
- Explore options with Future Park

### Priority Group C (March 2014 - March 2015)

#### Programs

- Continue to test and increase program diversity
- Host a tournament at Oak Ridge Park

#### Districtwide Strategies

- Develop a partnership strategy for the SRA

#### Existing Parks, Trails, and Facilities

- Complete Candlewood Park updates
- Complete Oak Ridge Park Phase I improvements
- Apply for PARC funding for the Recreation Center improvements/consider referendum
- Create a Master Plan for Washington Park
- Begin Birchwood Park updates
- Implement Bowen Lake Park updates

#### New Parks, Trails, and Facilities

- In partnership with City of Washington, implement trail crossings
- In partnership with City of Washington, implement trail Segment 3
- Apply for RTP grant to improve hiking trails at Meadow Valley Park

### Priority Group D (March 2015 - March 2016)

#### Programs

- Continue to test and increase program diversity
- Host a festival at Oak Ridge Park

#### Districtwide Strategies

- Benchmark WPD against neighboring communities

#### Existing Parks, Trails, and Facilities

- Begin design development for PARC funded/referendum funded Recreation Center Improvements
- Complete Birchwood Park updates
- Create a Master plan for Meadow Valley Park

#### New Parks, Trails, and Facilities

- In partnership with City of Washington, implement trail Segment 4
- Apply for ITEP funding with the City of Washington to implement trail segment 5
- Implement RTP funded hiking trails at Meadow Valley Park

### Priority Group E (March 2016 - March 2017)

#### Programs

- Continue to test and increase program diversity

#### Districtwide Strategies

- Begin preparation for master plan update

#### Existing Parks, Trails, and Facilities

- Submit Oak Ridge Park Phase II or Meadow Valley for OSLAD funding
- Begin Sweitzer Park updates
- Complete Recreation Facility Improvements

#### New Parks, Trails, and Facilities

- In partnership with City of Washington, implement trail Segment 5







# Action Plan - New Parks, Trails, and Facilities

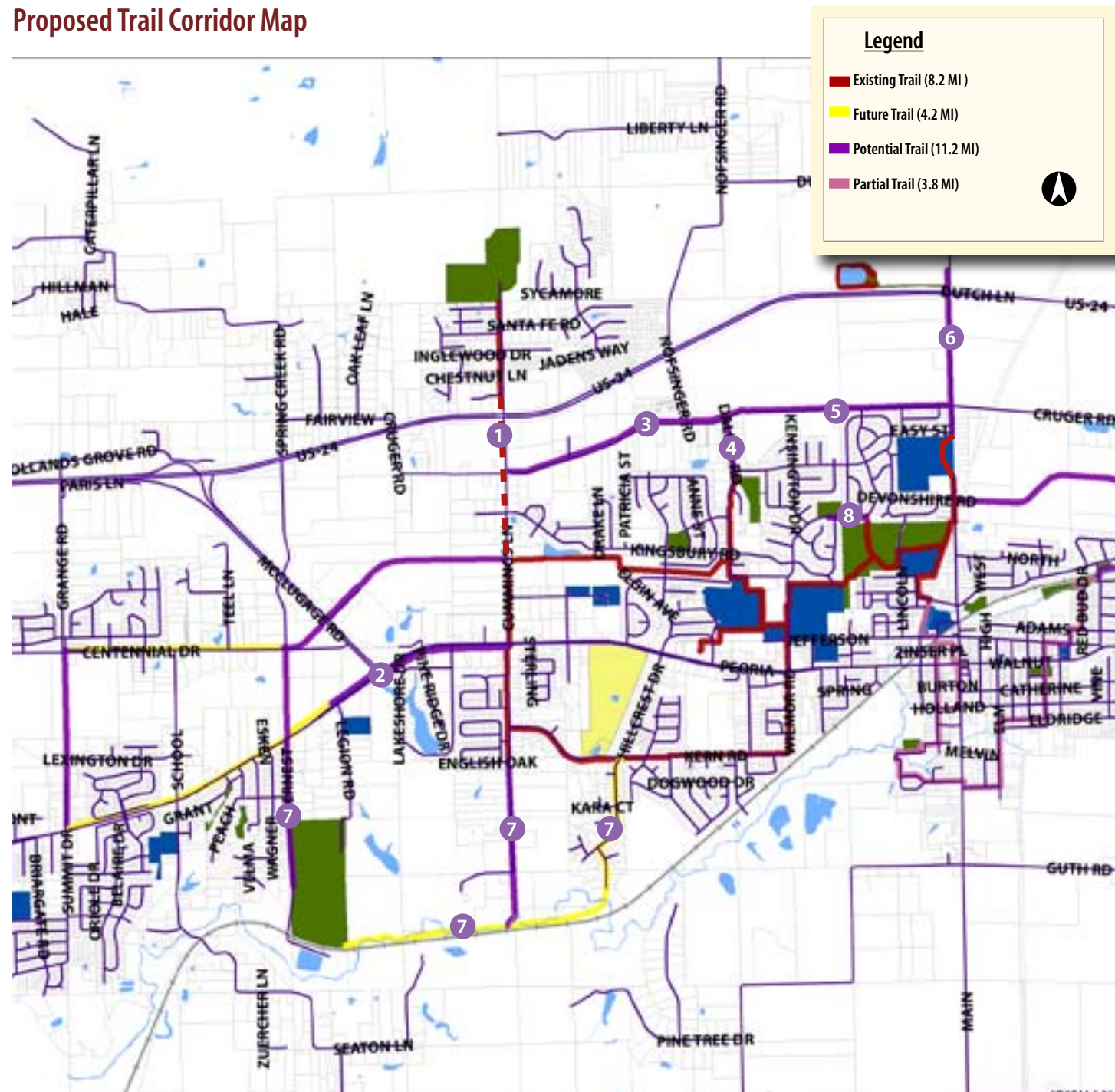
Priority	Actions	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
1	Acquire Oak Ridge Park or secure long term lease for land.					
2	Develop and define trail standards for marking, signs, wayfinding, and trail heads					
3	Evaluate trail crossings and improve safety where needed					
4	Implement wayfinding identity for existing segments					
5	Implement crossing improvements for existing segments					
6	Segment 1: Cummings Lane between Cruger Road and St. Claire Court (4,012 LF)					
7	Segment 2: Washington Road between Cummings and Ernest Street (5,884 LF)					
8	Segment 3: Cruger Road between Dallas Road and Cummings Lane (6,125 LF)					
9	Segment 4: Dallas Road Between Westminster Drive and Cruger Road (1,458 LF)					
10	Segment 5: Cruger Road between Main Street and Dallas Road (5,668 LF)					
11	Segment 6: Main Street from Cruger Road to Bowen Park (988 LF)					
12a	Segment 7a: Connect to Meadow Valley Park via South Cummings Lane (4,012 LF)					
12b	Segment 7b: Connect to Meadow Valley Park via Hillcrest Drive and Timber Trail (3,430 LF)					
12c	Segment 7c: Connect to Meadow Valley Park via Farm Creek Plain (6,682 LF)					
12d	Segment 7d: Connect to Meadow Valley Park via Ernest Street (3,528 LF)					
13	Segment 8: Westgate Road between Rec Trail and Westgate Park (892 LF)					
14	Segment 9: Freedom Parkway, pending development needs					
15	Develop new hiking trails within the Park District's natural areas.					
16	Acquire +/- 20 AC neighborhood park in deficient planning areas					
17	Explore land-trade or sale of Future Park in conjunction with acquisition					
18	Acquire 5-10 acre neighborhood parks aligned with Southeast development					

	2017 - 2021	Potential Partners
1		IDNR, LA, AT
2		LA
3		LA, CE, COW
4		LA, GD
5		COW, IDNR, ITEP, CE, LA
6		LA, CE, COW
7		LA, CE, COW
8		LA, CE, COW, IDOT
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12b		LA, CE, COW
12c		LA, CE, COW, IDNR
12d		LA, CE, COW
13		LA, CE, COW
14		LA, CE, COW
15		IDNR, LA
16		IDNR, LA
17		AT, LA
18		AT, LA

Funding Vehicle Legend	
	Capital Improvements
	Grant Funding
	Local Partner
	Private Donations
	Maintain Item

Partners Key	
LA	Landscape Architecture
CE	Civil Engineering
AR	Architecture
IDNR	Illinois Department of Natural Resources
GD	Graphic Designer
AT	Attorney
COW	City of Washington

## Proposed Trail Corridor Map



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April 2012

### Proposed Trail Development Schedule

Segment	Segment Description	Trail Length (ft)	Trail Length (mi)
1	Cummings Lane between Cruger Road and St. Claire Court	4012	0.76
2	Washington Road between Cummings and Ernest Street	5884	1.11
3	Cruger Road between Dallas Road and Cummings Lane	6125	1.16
4	Dallas Road Between Westminster Drive and Cruger Road	1458	0.28
5	Cruger Road between Main Street and Dallas Road	5668	1.07
6	Main Street from Cruger Road to Bowen Park	988	0.19
7a	Connect to Meadow Valley Park via South Cummings Lane	4012	0.76
7b	Connect to Meadow Valley Park via HillCrest Drive and Timber Trail	3430	0.65
7c	Connect to Meadow Valley Park via Farm Creek Plain	6682	1.27
7d	Connect to Meadow Valley Park via Ernest Street	3528	0.67
8	Westgate Road between Rec Trail and Westgate Park	892	0.17
		<b>42,679</b>	<b>8.08</b>

# Chapter Six: Park Inventory

## Birchwood Park

Hilldale Avenue and Birchwood Drive adjacent to the TP&W Railroad

Acres 1.50  
 Tax Number 02-02-13-400-022  
 02-02-13-400-023  
 02-02-13-400-024  
 Acquired 1994 - leased

### Observations

#### Environmental

- The park is located within the 100 year flood plain.
- No wetlands are present in this park.
- The park is adjacent to Farm Creek to the south and a tributary to the west that includes a heavy invasive/native vegetation buffer with no access to the waterway.
- The park landscape is composed of turf and mature shade trees.

#### Safety

- The playground does not appear to be compliant with current playground safety guidelines and CPSC/ASTM standards. Proper play surfacing is not utilized beneath. Swing seats are not a recommended style and open "S" hooks create entanglement and impalement hazard.
- The park does not have security lighting.
- The park's street frontage allows for adequate surveillance.
- A park identification sign is present, however a park rules sign is absent.

#### Site Design

- The park has open areas for non-programmed use.
- Site furniture that can be found throughout the park include 2 benches, 1 trash receptacle, 2 picnic tables, and 1 grill.
- The park has a dedicated picnic area with picnic tables and a grill underneath mature shade trees.
- The playground has adequate separation from the roadway.
- The playground includes 2 belt swings, no edge separation, and no play surfacing.
- Single family residential is immediately adjacent to the park. Not enough buffer is provided.
- Adjacent city sidewalk is in poor condition.
- The park is well maintained and free of litter.

#### Site Accessibility

- The park does not have any internal walkways, however the adjacent walkway north of the park is connected to the neighborhood walk system.
- There is no off-street parking provided at the park.
- The playground equipment does not appear to meet ADA accessibility requirements for play environments.

#### Park Recommendations

- Remove existing play equipment.
- Provide small scale new play equipment with safety surfacing and accessible pathway to street.
- Work with City to restore accessibility to street sidewalk.
- Provide additional buffer planting near adjacent residence.
- Thin understory species along Farm Creek to allow visibility.

Quantity	Year Built	
		Trails-Multi-Use (miles)
		Trails-Bicycle (miles)
		Trails-Nature(miles)
		Shelter/Pavilion
		Restrooms
		Play Equipment
1	1994	Swings
		Concessions
		Tennis
		Basketball
		Volleyball
		Baseball
		Softball
		Soccer
		Football
		Sledding
		Skating Rink
		Parking Lot
		Parking Spaces
2		Picnic Tables
2		Park Benches
		Drinking Fountain
		ADA Accessible

- Update benches and picnic area as dictated by new site development.
- Refine accent planting adjacent to sign.

Utilities available:

ELE	WATER	STORM	SAN	GAS	TEL
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Park Identification Sign



Swings (2 belt)



Picnic Area



Aerial Photo of Birchwood Park



Swings (2 belt) and Open Space

# Candlewood Park

located along Candlewood Drive

Acres 2.70  
 Tax Number 02-02-23-211-021  
 Acquired 1994 - donated

## Observations

### Environmental

- The park is not located in a flood plain.
- No wetlands are present in this park.
- The park is adjacent to Farm Creek to the west that includes a heavy invasive/native vegetation buffer with no access to the waterway.
- The park landscape is composed of turf and mature shade trees with a forested area to the west.

### Safety

- The playground does not appear to be compliant with current playground safety guidelines and CPSC/ASTM standards. Proper play surfacing is not utilized beneath swings and slide. The playground is remotely located.
- The park does not have security lighting.
- The park's street frontage allows for adequate surveillance.
- A park identification sign is present, however a park rules sign is absent.

### Site Design

- The park has open areas for non-programmed use.
- Site furniture that can be found throughout the park include a shelter, 6 benches, 1 trash receptacle, 3 picnic tables, and 1 grill.
- The park has a dedicated picnic area with picnic tables and a grill near the shelter.
- The playground has adequate separation from the roadway.
- The playground includes 2 belt swings, a slide, no edge separation, and no play surfacing.
- A mulch trail system is located within the forested area.
- A historic bridge is located near the southwest corner of the park.
- Hidden trail potentially not owned to the west.
- The park is well maintained and free of litter.

### Site Accessibility

- The park does not have any internal walkways and is not connected to the neighborhood walk system.
- An off-street gravel parking area is provided at the park and can accommodate approximately 20 cars.
- The playground equipment does not appear to meet ADA accessibility requirements for play environments.

### Park Recommendations

- Remove existing play equipment.
- Provide medium scale new play equipment with safety surfacing and accessible pathway to street. New location should be closer to the shelter
- Emphasize views from the park to the Cemetery Road Bridge (part of the National Historic Registry) adjacent to the park on Candlewood Road. Potential for overlook and interpretive signage in addition to brush clearing along tributary.
- Improve parking edge/lot

Quantity	Year Built	
		Trails-Multi-Use (miles)
		Trails-Bicycle (miles)
		Trails-Nature(miles)
1	199X	Shelter/Pavilion
		Restrooms
1	1994	Play Equipment
1	1994	Swings
		Concessions
		Tennis
		Basketball
		Volleyball
		Baseball
		Softball
		Soccer
		Football
		Sledding
		Skating Rink
		Splash Pad
1	1994	Parking Lot
20		Parking Spaces
3		Picnic Tables
6		Park Benches
		Drinking Fountain
		ADA Accessible

- Improve trail to limestone screenings
- Add wayfinding/interpretive signs to trail system.
- Improve open area for programmed field use.
- Verify land ownership to the west
- Consider hiking/challenge course activities

Utilities available:

ELE	WATER	STORM	SAN	GAS	TEL
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Park Identification Sign



Slide and Swings (2 belt)



Cemetery Road Bridge - Part of National Historic Registry



Aerial Photo of Candlewood Park



Shelter Adjacent to Parking Lot and Open Space

# Grant Park

located along Grant Street

Acres 1.00  
 Tax Number 02-02-20-402-018  
 Acquired year - purchase / grant / donated

## Observations

### Environmental

- The park is not located in a flood plain.
- No wetlands are present in this park.
- The park includes a natural area with a drainage swale and mature vegetation that collects water from adjacent properties with limited access. Intended community use of this park is located towards the upper half.
- The park landscape is composed of turf and mature shade trees.

### Safety

- The playground appears to be compliant with current playground safety guidelines and CPSC/ASTM standards.
- The park does not have security lighting.
- The park's street frontage allows for adequate surveillance.
- A park identification sign is present, however a park rules sign is absent.

### Site Design

- The park has open areas for non-programmed use.
- Site furniture that can be found throughout the park include 1 trash receptacle.
- The playground has adequate separation from the roadway.
- The playground includes a 5-12 play structure, 2 belt/2 tot swings, plastic edge separation, and engineered wood fiber play surfacing. The playground edging is broken in several places and the play surfacing needs replenishment.
- A basketball court with 1 new post/net located next to the playground. The basketball court needs to be restriped.
- The park is well maintained and free of litter.

### Site Accessibility

- The park does not have any internal walkways and the neighborhood does not have a sidewalk system.
- There is no off-street parking provided at the park.
- The playground equipment appears to meet ADA accessibility requirements for play environments.

### Park Recommendations

- Repair/replace playground edging.
- Provide gathering area/seating adjacent to play area/basketball court.
- Provide an accessible route to each use.
- Re-stripe the basketball court.
- Refine accent planting adjacent to sign.
- Refine planting around sign.

Quantity	Year Built	
		Trails-Multi-Use (miles)
		Trails-Bicycle (miles)
		Trails-Nature(miles)
		Shelter/Pavilion
		Restrooms
1		Play Equipment
1		Swings
		Concessions
		Tennis
0.5		Basketball
		Volleyball
		Baseball
		Softball
		Soccer
		Football
		Sledding
		Skating Rink
		Splash Pad
		Parking Lot
		Parking Spaces
		Picnic Tables
		Park Benches
		Drinking Fountain
		ADA Accessible

Utilities available:

ELE	WATER	STORM	SAN	GAS	TEL
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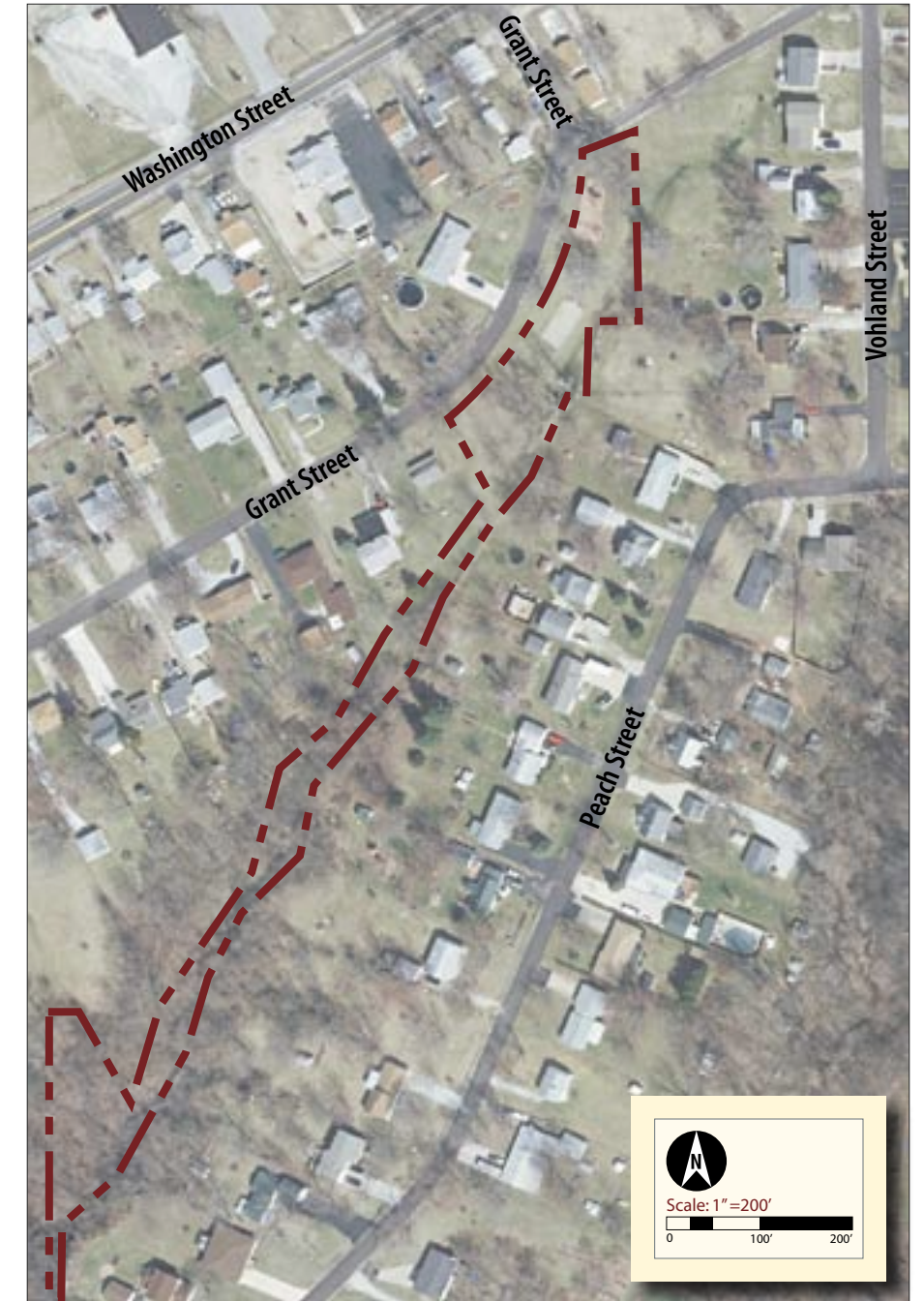
Park Identification Sign



5-12 Play Structure and Swings (2 belt/2 tot)



Basketball Court



Aerial Photo of Grant Park



Park Identification Sign and 5-12 Play Structure

# Harry LaHood Park

located along Agnes Street, Kingsbury Road, and Grandyle Drive

Acres 5.00  
 Tax Number 02-02-15-400-018  
 Acquired year - purchase / donated  
 OSLAD Development Grant 200X

## Observations

### Environmental

- The park is not located in a flood plain.
- No wetlands are present in this park.
- The park is within a newly developed residential area.
- The park landscape is composed of turf and young shade trees, however it is in need of shade.
- Active young neighborhood surrounding.

### Safety

- The playground appears to be compliant with current playground safety guidelines and CPSC/ASTM standards.
- The park does not have security lighting.
- The park's street frontage allows for adequate surveillance.
- A park identification sign and a rules sign is present near the splash pad, however a park rules sign is absent near the playground.

### Site Design

- The park has open areas for non-programmed use.
- Site furniture that can be found throughout the park include a shelter, drinking fountain, 5 benches, 6 trash receptacles, 5 picnic tables, and a ribbon bike rack.
- The playground has adequate separation from the roadway.
- The playground includes a 5-12 play structure, 2 belt/2 tot swings, concrete edge separation, and engineered wood fiber play surfacing.
- A splash pad with appropriate surfacing and future expansion capability is present, however water use is costly.
- A sand volleyball court is located within the park.
- A portable toilet with permanent enclosure is present.
- The park is well maintained and free of litter.

### Site Accessibility

- The park has internal walkways and is connected to the neighborhood walk system.
- Off-street parallel parking is provided at the park along Grandyle Drive and Agnes Street.

### Park Recommendations

- Provide sand volleyball edge containment.
- Add landscape layers.
- Consider adding more spray events/balanced with water usage.
- Add landscape screen at portable toilet
- Consider a permanent restroom.
- Consider splash pad water recapture system for irrigation.

Quantity	Year Built	
0.25		Trails-Multi-Use (miles)
		Trails-Bicycle (miles)
		Trails-Nature(miles)
1		Shelter/Pavilion
1		Restrooms
1		Play Equipment
1		Swings
		Concessions
		Tennis
		Basketball
1		Volleyball
		Baseball
		Softball
		Soccer
		Football
		Sledding
1		Splash Pad
		Skating Rink
		Parking Lot
30		Parking Spaces
4		Picnic Tables
5		Park Benches
1		Drinking Fountain
1		ADA Accessible

Utilities available:

ELE	WATER	STORM	SAN	GAS	TEL
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Park Identification Sign



Splash Pad



Sand Volleyball Court



Aerial Photo of Harry LaHood Park



Shelter, 5-12 Play Structure, and Swings (2 belt/2 tot)

# Meadow Valley Park

located along Legion Street

Acres 10.00 park/80.00 natural area  
 Tax Number 02-02-21-300-007  
 02-02-28-100-001  
 Acquired 196X - purchased

## Observations

### Environmental

- The park is not located in a flood plain.
- No wetlands are present in this park.
- The park landscape is composed of turf and mature shade trees with a forested area/ravine centrally located within the park that separates the west and east public access areas.
- A tree nursery is located on the east side of the park.

### Safety

- The playground does not appear to be compliant with current playground safety guidelines and CPSC/ASTM standards. Proper play surfacing is not utilized beneath swings and slide and there is no accessible path to the main site amenities.
- The park does have security lighting within the parking lot only.
- The park's street frontage allows for adequate surveillance of upper areas.
- A park identification sign is present, however a park rules sign is absent.

### Site Design

- The park has open areas for non-programmed use.
- Site furniture that can be found throughout the park includes 3 shelters, benches, trash receptacles, picnic tables, and grills.
- The playground has adequate separation from the roadway.
- There are two playgrounds in this park. The west playground includes 4 belt / 2 tot swings, a caterpillar climber, a sand box, no edge separation, and no play surfacing. The east playground includes 2 tot swings, a caterpillar climber, a sand box, no edge separation, and no play surfacing.
- A sand volleyball court is located next to the shelter area on the west side and is in poor condition.
- A mown trail system is located within the forested area.

### Site Accessibility

- The park does not have any internal walkways and the neighborhood does not have a walk system.
- Off-street parking is provided at the park. The west gravel parking area can accommodate approximately 30 cars. The east gravel parking area can accommodate approximately 20 cars.
- The playground equipment does not appear to meet ADA accessibility requirements for play environments.

### Park Recommendations

- Profile park as premiere natural area.
- Convert some open lawn areas into native planting.
- Selectively prune path system swath for improved security, maintenance, and wayfinding.
- Add trail system wayfinding and interpretive signs within forested area.
- Add accessible routes from parking to picnic areas and trail system loop.
- Consider a challenge course.

Quantity	Year Built	
		Trails-Multi-Use (miles)
		Trails-Bicycle (miles)
0.75		Trails-Nature(miles)
3		Shelter/Pavilion
		Restrooms
2		Play Equipment
2		Swings
		Concessions
		Tennis
		Basketball
1		Volleyball
		Baseball
		Softball
		Soccer
		Football
		Sledding
		Splash Pad
		Skating Rink
2		Parking Lot
30/20		Parking Spaces
18		Picnic Tables
4		Park Benches
		Drinking Fountain
		ADA Accessible

- Strengthen parking lot edge, consider paving.
- Repair picnic shelter perimeter bands.
- Remove play equipment on west side and replace with large scale new nature based play environment.
- Manage land with prescriptive burning, selective clearing, etc.
- Promote ecosystem exploration.
- Consider outdoor amphitheater.

Utilities available:

ELE	WATER	STORM	SAN	GAS	TEL
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Swings (4 belt/2 tot)



Trail



East Shelter with Picnic Tables



Aerial Photo of Meadow Valley Park



West Shelter with Flagpole, Picnic Tables, Grill, and Water Well Pump.

# Recreation Facility Park

located along Maple Street between Church Street and Spruce Street

Acres 1.40  
 Tax Number 02-02-24-112-006  
 Acquired year - purchase / grant / donated

## Observations

### Environmental

- The park is not located in a flood plain.
- No wetlands are present in this park.
- The park landscape is composed of turf and mature shade trees.
- Drainage issue exists at south playground outfall.

### Safety

- The playground appears to be compliant with current playground safety guidelines and CPSC/ASTM standards.
- The park does not have security lighting.
- The park's street frontage allows for adequate surveillance.
- A park identification sign and park rules sign is absent.

### Site Design

- The park is across the street from the Administration Building and Community Center.
- The park has open areas for non-programmed use.
- Site furniture that can be found throughout the park include 2 benches, and 1 trash receptacle.
- The playground has adequate separation from the roadway.
- The playground includes a 5-12 play structure, concrete edge separation, and engineered wood fiber play surfacing.
- A basketball court with 1 new post/net is located next to the playground and an additional 3 posts/nets share pavement with the parking lot when not in use.
- The park has a backstop for non-programmed play. The backstop fabric is in need of replacement.

### Site Accessibility

- The park does not have any internal walkways, however the adjacent walkways are connected to the neighborhood walk system.
- Off-street parking is provided at the park and is shared with the Park District Administration Building and is in need of resurfacing.
- The playground equipment appears to meet most ADA accessibility requirements for play environments, but does not have an accessible entry into the play surfacing. The path connection from the parking lot to the playground also exceeds accessibility slope requirements.

### Park Recommendations

- Install accessible ramp entry into play surfacing along the main walkway.
- Re-configure to make a stronger, safer connection to the Administration Building.
- Remove basketball posts from parking lot or convert parking lot into permanent basketball court. Consider combining into multiple half courts
- Repair parking lot.
- Address drainage issues on south edge.
- Replace backstop.

Quantity	Year Built	
		Trails-Multi-Use (miles)
		Trails-Bicycle (miles)
		Trails-Nature(miles)
		Shelter/Pavilion
		Restrooms
1		Play Equipment
		Swings
		Concessions
		Tennis
1.5		Basketball
		Volleyball
		Baseball
		Softball
		Soccer
		Football
		Sledding
		Splash Pad
		Skating Rink
1		Parking Lot
34		Parking Spaces
3		Picnic Tables
6		Park Benches
		Drinking Fountain
X		ADA Accessible

- Improve barrier between parking lot and play environment.
- Consider picnic amenities like Bocce, Baggo, Horseshoes with rental in Rec Facility.

Utilities available:

ELE	WATER	STORM	SAN	GAS	TEL
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5-12 Play Structure



Backstop



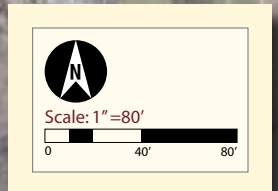
Basketball Court



5-12 Play Structure, Basketball Court, and Parking Lot



Aerial Photo of Recreation Facility Park





# Sweitzer Park

located along Hilldale Avenue adjacent to the TP&W Railroad

Acres 3.0  
 Tax Number 02-02-13-307-023  
 02-02-13-308-008  
 Acquired 198X - donated

## Observations

### Environmental

- The park is located within the 100 year flood plain.
- No wetlands are present in this park.
- The park is adjacent to Farm Creek near the southwest corner that includes some invasive/native vegetation buffer with no access to the waterway.
- The park landscape is composed of turf and mature shade trees with a buffered forested area along the length of the adjacent railroad.

### Safety

- The playground does not appear to be compliant with current playground safety guidelines and CPSC/ASTM standards. Proper play surfacing is not utilized beneath swings and slide. The swings are not a recommended frame style.
- The park does not have security lighting.
- The park's street frontage allows for minimal surveillance.
- A park identification sign and shelter rental sign is present, however a park rules sign is absent.

### Site Design

- The park has open areas for non-programmed use.
- Site furniture that can be found throughout the park include a shelter, 1 trash receptacle, 3 picnic tables, and 1 grill.
- The park has a dedicated picnic area with picnic tables and a grill near the shelter.
- The playground has adequate separation from the roadway.
- The playground includes 2 belt/2 tot swings, no edge separation, and no play surfacing.
- Shelter rental sign is at an obtrusive height.
- The park is well maintained and free of litter.

### Site Accessibility

- The park does not have any internal walkways, however the adjacent walkway north of the park is connected to the neighborhood walk system.
- There is no off-street parking provided at the park.
- The playground equipment does not appear to meet ADA accessibility requirements for play environments.

### Park Recommendations

- Remove play equipment and replace with a small scale play environment.
- Provide accessible route to picnic and play areas.
- Provide additional buffer along residential edges.
- Thin understory vegetation along creek to provide visibility.
- Refine landscape accent at sign.
- Consider botanical garden features/theme with park development to accent tree collection.

Quantity	Year Built	
		Trails-Multi-Use (miles)
		Trails-Bicycle (miles)
		Trails-Nature(miles)
1		Shelter/Pavilion
		Restrooms
		Play Equipment
2		Swings
		Concessions
		Tennis
		Basketball
		Volleyball
		Baseball
		Softball
		Soccer
		Football
		Sledding
		Splash Pad
		Skating Rink
		Parking Lot
		Parking Spaces
3		Picnic Tables
		Park Benches
		Drinking Fountain
		ADA Accessible

Utilities available:

ELE	WATER	STORM	SAN	GAS	TEL
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Shelter



Swings (2 tot)



Swings (4 belt)



Aerial Photo of Sweitzer Park



Park Identification Sign, Shelter, and Open Space

# Weaver Park

located off Lawndale Avenue adjacent to the TP&W Railroad

Acres 7.00  
 Tax Number 02-02-13-309-016  
 02-02-13-404-001  
 Acquired 1969 - donated

## Observations

### Environmental

- The park is located within the 100 year flood plain.
- Wetlands are present in this park.
- The park includes a natural area with Farm Creek bisecting the property and mature vegetation.
- The park landscape is composed of turf and mature shade trees with a forested area and trails within. Intended community use of this park is passive.
- The area is lowland and likely inundated frequently.

### Safety

- The park does not have security lighting.
- The park's street frontage does not allow for adequate surveillance.
- A park identification sign is present, however a park rules sign is absent.
- The TP&W Railroad is immediately adjacent to the park.

### Site Design

- The park does not have open areas for non-programmed use.
- Site furniture that can be found throughout the park include a benches along the trail and 1 trash receptacle near the park entry.
- A mulch and grass trail system is located within the forested area.
- Wooden foot bridges, in moderate condition, help the trail cross multiple low points.

### Site Accessibility

- The park does not have any internal walkways and is not connected to the neighborhood walk system.
- There is no off-street parking provided at the park.

### Park Recommendations

- Provide paved trail head with 2-3 parking spaces.
- Provide interpretive and wayfinding trail signs
- Selectively prune path system swath for improved security, maintenance, and wayfinding.
- Repair/replace footbridges.
- Enhance native ecosystem planting.
- Manage land with prescriptive burning, selective clearing, etc.
- Add habitat development features.

Quantity	Year Built	
		Trails-Multi-Use (miles)
		Trails-Bicycle (miles)
0.25		Trails-Nature(miles)
		Shelter/Pavilion
		Restrooms
		Play Equipment
		Swings
		Concessions
		Tennis
		Basketball
		Volleyball
		Baseball
		Softball
		Soccer
		Football
		Sledding
		Splash Pad
		Skating Rink
		Parking Lot
		Parking Spaces
		Picnic Tables
		Park Benches
		Drinking Fountain
		ADA Accessible

Utilities available:

ELE	WATER	STORM	SAN	GAS	TEL
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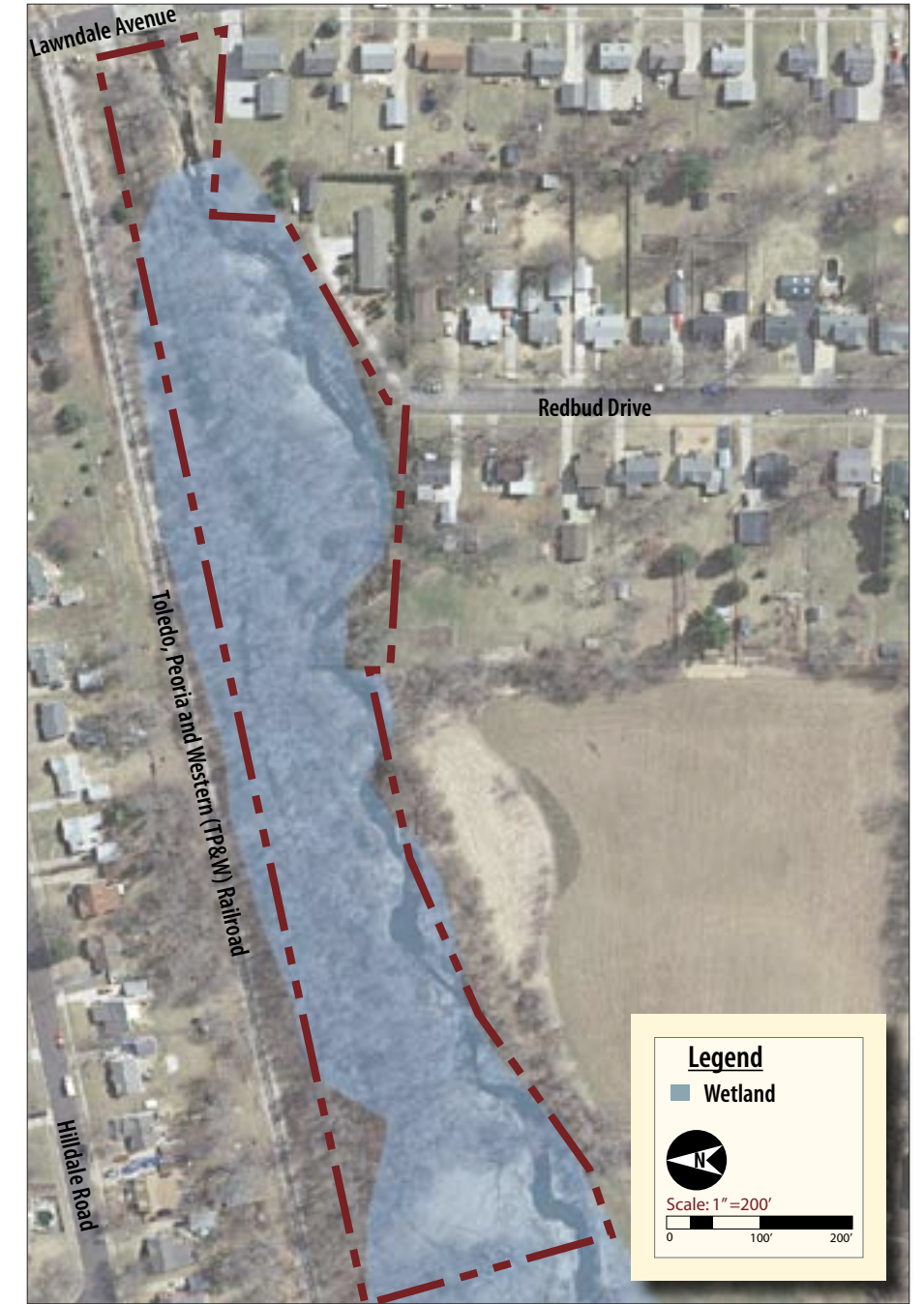
Park Identification Sign



Mulch Trail



Water Access



Aerial Photo of Weaver Park



Mowed Pathway

# Westgate Park/Washington Park District Pool

located at Westgate Road and Stratford Drive

Acres 5.00  
 Tax Number 02-02-14-100-009  
 02-02-14-100-010  
 02-02-14-103-003  
 Acquired 1972 - purchased / grant

## Observations

### Environmental

- The park is not located in a flood plain.
- No wetlands are present in this park.
- The park is adjacent to a drainage swale to the north.
- The park landscape is composed of turf and some mature shade trees. Additional ornamental plantings are located around the pool entrance.
- A large storm sewer device is located near the entry.

### Safety

- The playground appears to be compliant with current playground safety guidelines and CPSC/ASTM standards.
- The park does not have security lighting.
- The park's street frontage allows for adequate surveillance.
- A park identification sign is present, however a park rules sign is absent.

### Site Design

- The park has open areas for non-programmed use and also serves as overflow parking for the pool parking lot.
- Site furniture that can be found throughout the park include a shelter, 1 trash receptacle and 2 picnic tables.
- The playground has adequate separation from the roadway.
- The playground includes a 5-12 play structure, 2 belt swings, concrete edge separation, and engineered wood fiber play surfacing.

### Site Accessibility

- The park does not have any internal walkways, however adjacent walkways are connected to the neighborhood walk system.
- An off-street asphalt parking area with approximately 90 spaces is provided at the park.
- The playground equipment appears to meet ADA accessibility requirements for play environments.

### Park Recommendations

- Install accessible ramp entry into play surfacing along the main walkway.
- Expanding parking lot north towards existing berm.
- The two existing lap pools are beyond their useful life, consider updating as necessary.
- Add landscape layering around pool perimeter.
- Adjust finish grade around shelter perimeter
- The pool underwent a master plan process with published findings dated February 20, 2006. The findings primarily addressed pool mechanical and filtration considerations.
- Consider new trend amenities like lazy river, plunge pools, vortex pools, etc.
- Consider sand volleyball complex on park side.

Quantity	Year Built	
		Trails-Multi-Use (miles)
		Trails-Bicycle (miles)
		Trails-Nature(miles)
1		Shelter/Pavilion
1		Restrooms
1		Play Equipment
1		Swings
1		Concessions
		Tennis
		Basketball
		Volleyball
		Baseball
		Softball
		Soccer
		Football
		Sledding
		Splash Pad
		Skating Rink
1		Parking Lot
90		Parking Spaces
2		Picnic Tables
		Park Benches
		Drinking Fountain
X		ADA Accessible
1		Swimming Pool

Utilities available:

ELE	WATER	STORM	SAN	GAS	TEL
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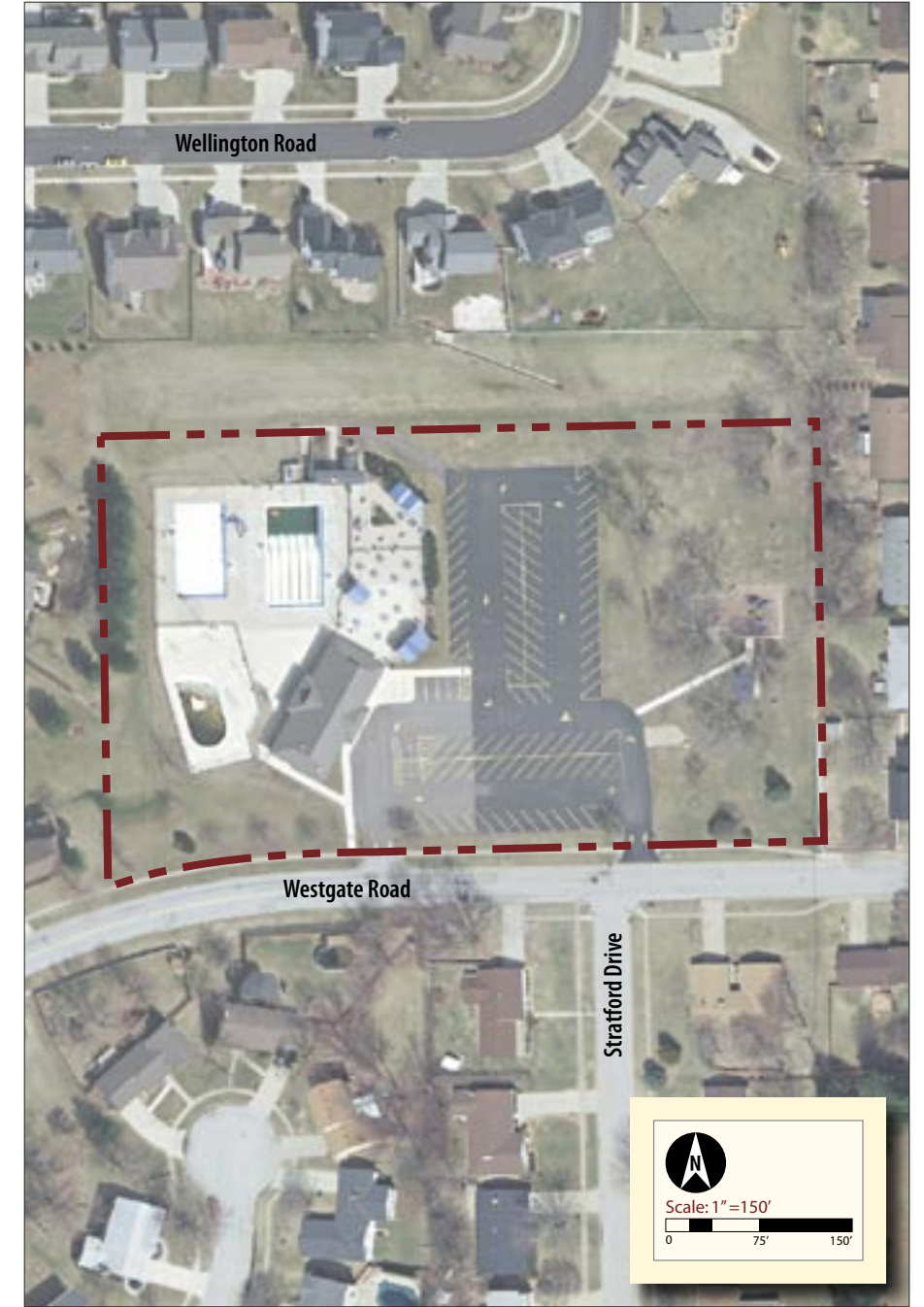
5-12 Play Structure



Swings (2 belt)



Shelter



Aerial Photo of Westgate Park



Pool

# Oak Ridge Park

located at the end of Cummings Lane

Acres 59.00  
 Tax Number 02-02-09-100-002  
 02-02-04-200-002  
 Acquired 1980- leased

## Observations

### Environmental

- The park is not located in a flood plain.
- No wetlands are present in this park.
- The park includes a drainage swale that collects water from the soccer fields and flows north.
- The park landscape is composed of turf and shade trees with a forested area to the north, east, and west.
- A single family residential area is located to the south.

### Safety

- The playground appears to be compliant with current playground safety guidelines and CPSC/ASTM standards. Proper play surfacing is utilized beneath the playground structure, however there is no accessible path to the main site amenities.
- The park has minimal security lighting.
- The park's street frontage does not allow for surveillance, however vehicular access into the park allows for adequate surveillance.
- A park identification sign is present, however a park rules sign is absent.

### Site Design

- The park has open areas for non-programmed use.
- Site furniture that can be found throughout the park include a shelter, concessions building, drinking fountain, benches, trash receptacles, and picnic tables.
- The playground has adequate separation from the roadway.
- The playground includes a 5-12 play structure, 4 belt/2 tot swings, plastic edge separation, and engineered wood fiber play surfacing.
- Other park amenities include 3 softball fields, 1 football field, and multiple soccer fields. The existing backstop fencing for all softball fields is deteriorated beyond repair.
- The maintenance building on-site is located near the entrance and is shared with the City of Washington and Township.

### Site Accessibility

- The park does not have any internal walkways but is connected to city walkways at the south entrance.
- Off-street parking is provided at the park (primarily tar and chip with some asphalt paving areas).
- The playground equipment appears to meet most ADA accessibility requirements for play environments, but does not have an accessible entry into the play surfacing. There is also no path connection from the parking lot to the playground.

### Park Recommendations

- See Attached Concept Plan

Quantity	Year Built	
		Trails-Multi-Use (miles)
		Trails-Bicycle (miles)
		Trails-Nature(miles)
1		Shelter/Pavilion
1		Restrooms
1		Play Equipment
		Swings
1		Concessions
		Tennis
		Basketball
		Volleyball
		Baseball
3		Softball
7		Soccer
1		Football
		Sledding
		Splash Pad
		Skating Rink
3		Parking Lot
400		Parking Spaces
14		Picnic Tables
		Park Benches
1		Drinking Fountain
		ADA Accessible
		Swimming Pool

Utilities available:

ELE	WATER	STORM	SAN	GAS	TEL
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Concessions Building



5-12 Play Structure and Swings (4 belt/2 tot)



Softball Field



Aerial Photo of Oak Ridge Park



Soccer Fields

# Washington Park

located north and south of Lincoln Street

Acres 60.00  
 Tax Number 02-02-14-400-001  
 Acquired 1968 - purchased

## Observations

### Environmental

- The park is located within the 100 year flood plain.
- No wetlands are present in this park.
- A creek/swale with native planting bisects the park. Multiple bridges are located along the creek to allow access across.
- The park landscape is composed of turf and mature shade trees with a forested area to the west and heavily rolling topography.
- An ornamental garden is located near the west park area.

### Safety

- The playground appears to be compliant with current playground safety guidelines and CPSC/ASTM standards. Proper play surfacing is utilized beneath the playground structure. The swings are not a recommended frame style.
- The park has minimal security lighting.
- The park's street frontage allows for adequate surveillance.
- A park identification sign is present, however a park rules sign is absent.

### Site Design

- The park has open areas for non-programmed use.
- Site furniture that can be found throughout the park include 2 shelters, 1 shelter/restroom facility, concessions/restroom building, drinking fountain, benches, bleachers, trash receptacles, picnic tables, and grills.
- The playground has adequate separation from the roadway.
- The playground includes a 5-12 play structure, 6 belt/2 tot swings, concrete edge separation, and engineered wood fiber play surfacing with space to expand the playground structure in the future.
- Other park amenities include 4 lit softball fields, batting cages, 3 tennis courts, 1 sand volleyball court, 2 shuffleboard courts, and an 18-hole disc golf course.
- A Veteran's Memorial is centrally located within the park along Lincoln Street with a helicopter as the main sculptural element and memorial donor pavers adjacent.
- The old Administration/Maintenance Building expansion has flooding issues.

### Site Accessibility

- The park has internal walkways and is connected to the neighborhood walk system.
- Off-street parking is provided at the park. The parking lot east of Lincoln Street is asphalt paving and can accommodate approximately 135 cars. The two parking lots west of Lincoln Street are gravel paving and can accommodate approximately 40 cars each.
- The playground equipment appears to meet most ADA accessibility requirements for play environments, but does not have an accessible entry into the play surfacing. There is also no path connection from the parking lot to the playground.

### Park Recommendations

- Incorporate edging along the existing sand volleyball court to contain the sand. Extend sand area a minimum of 10' for fall protection.
- Improve parking edge/paving conditions.
- Repair shelter concrete perimeter condition.
- Add tee boxes/hole signs for disc golf.
- Provide accessible routes to all shelters and amenities.
- Consider permanent restroom addition or remove/replace.
- Provide accessible ramp into play environment.
- Add landscape layering at memorial area.

Quantity	Year Built	
1.22		Trails-Multi-Use (miles)
		Trails-Bicycle (miles)
		Trails-Nature(miles)
2		Shelter/Pavilion
1		Restrooms
1		Play Equipment
1		Swings
1		Concessions
3		Tennis
		Basketball
1		Volleyball
		Baseball
4		Softball
		Soccer
		Football
		Sledding
		Splash Pad
		Skating Rink
3		Parking Lot
215		Parking Spaces
		Picnic Tables
		Park Benches
		Drinking Fountain
		ADA Accessible
18		Disc Golf
2		Shuffleboard

- Replace backstop fencing, dugouts, and line fencing on field 6.
- Omit basketball standard in parking lot.
- Consider lighting update.
- Address old administrative building drainage. Consider adaptive reuse/modification/removal.
- Address drainage issues around restroom building.
- Replace bleachers.
- Prune landscape at scoreboards.
- Provide accessible connections to each field from parking area.
- Provide gathering space/walkways/core area in between softball fields.
- Upgrade turf management practices.
- Consider an irrigation system.
- Refine parking lot edges.
- Strengthen picnic amenities.

Utilities available:

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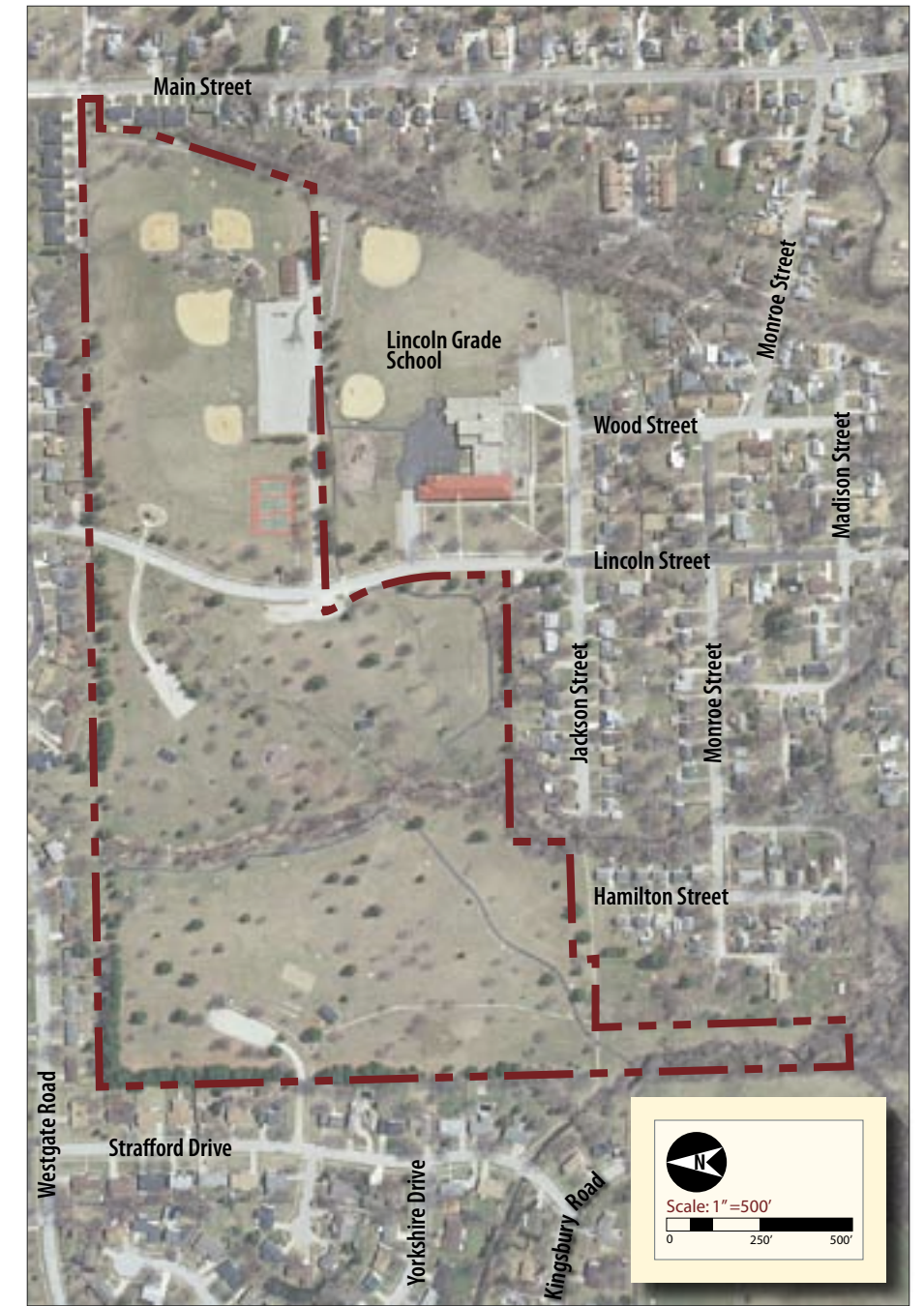
Washington Park Veteran's Memorial



Backstop with Press Box and Spectator Area



5-12 Play Structure



Aerial Photo of Washington Park



Shelter with Restroom Facilities, 2 Shuffleboard Courts, Sand Volleyball Court, and Disc Golf Course

# Bowen Lake Park

located off of North Main Street

Acres 13.80  
 Tax Number 02-02-11-200-005  
 Acquired 1992 - purchased / dedication

## Observations

### Environmental

- The park is not located in a flood plain.
- No wetlands are present in this park.
- The park includes a lake with native planting and rock stabilizing the lake edge.
- The park landscape is composed of turf and shade trees with farmland adjacent on all sides.
- The lake was created as a borrow pit for the completion of the Route 24 bypass.
- A native vegetation buffer was attempted, however invasive vegetation has been introduced into the site and is interfering with views into the water from the adjacent trail system.

### Safety

- The park's street frontage allows for adequate surveillance.
- A park identification sign is present, however a park rules sign is absent.
- The fishing pier does not comply with regulations. One concrete pier footing also shifted due to freeze/thaw.

### Site Design

- The park has open areas for non-programmed use.
- Site furniture that can be found throughout the park include 1 shelter, benches, trash receptacles, and picnic tables.
- The playground has adequate separation from the roadway.
- The playground includes 1 belt/1 tot swings, no edge separation, and no play surfacing.
- The lake has a fishing pier and a boat launch for access to the water. A sign is located near the fishing pier for boating and fishing regulations. The boat launch has erosion issues and is currently addressed with rip rap adjacent to the boat launch concrete paving.
- An aggregate trail system is located around the lake with multiple seating area opportunities.
- A dedication memorial to Tom Boyd and his efforts to get the north bypass built is located along the trail system.

### Site Accessibility

- The park has internal walkways but due to the location of the site and adjacent land uses, there is no connection to the neighborhood walk system. The existing walkway is deteriorating.
- Small foot bridges provide access across swales and are beginning to show wear.
- An off-street gravel parking area is provided at the park that can accommodate approximately 40 cars.
- The playground equipment does not appear to meet ADA accessibility requirements for play environments.
- Access to the lake is difficult because of erosion along the banks and planting.

### Park Recommendations

- Restore accessibility to loop trail.
- Repair/replace fishing dock.
- Stabilize shoreline at boat access ramp.
- Provide interpretive fish related signs.
- Repair/replace footbridges.
- Remove existing swings and replace with fish themed play environment.
- Improve parking edge/paving.
- Manage land with prescriptive burning, selective clearing, etc.

Quantity	Year Built	
0.5		Trails-Multi-Use (miles)
		Trails-Bicycle (miles)
		Trails-Nature(miles)
1		Shelter/Pavilion
1		Restrooms
		Play Equipment
1		Swings
		Concessions
		Tennis
		Basketball
		Volleyball
		Baseball
		Softball
		Soccer
		Football
		Sledding
		Splash Pad
		Skating Rink
1		Parking Lot
40		Parking Spaces
6		Picnic Tables
8		Park Benches
		Drinking Fountain
		ADA Accessible
1		Fishing Pier
1		Boat Ramp

- Restore pond edge/upland buffer with native forbs & grasses.
- Provide 5-6 fishing stations with access around the pond including habitat development sub-surface.

Utilities available:

ELE	WATER	STORM	SAN	GAS	TEL
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Park Identification Sign



Picnic Area with Swings (1 belt/1 tot)



Shelter



Aerial Photo of Bowen Lake Park



Fishing Pier

# Gully Park

located between McGinley Street and Peach Street

Acres 2.5  
 Tax Number 02-02-11-200-005  
 Acquired 1992 - purchased / dedication

## Observations

### Environmental

- The park is not located in a flood plain.
- No wetlands are present in this park.
- The park consists of a wooded ravine behind residential housing.

### Safety

- The park is remote without safety measures or good surveillance opportunities.
- A park identification sign is not present

### Site Design

- No features currently exist

### Site Accessibility

- No access is currently provided.

### Park Recommendations

- Negotiate access agreement with adjacent land owners.
- Consider trail head establishment and trail access through the site.
- Consider management of natural ecosystems through selective clearing.

Quantity	Year Built	
		Trails-Multi-Use (miles)
		Trails-Bicycle (miles)
		Trails-Nature(miles)
		Shelter/Pavilion
		Restrooms
		Play Equipment
		Swings
		Concessions
		Tennis
		Basketball
		Volleyball
		Baseball
		Softball
		Soccer
		Football
		Sledding
		Splash Pad
		Skating Rink
		Parking Lot
		Parking Spaces
		Picnic Tables
		Park Benches
		Drinking Fountain
		ADA Accessible
		Fishing Pier
		Boat Ramp

Utilities available:

ELE	WATER	STORM	SAN	GAS	TEL
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Access point



Representative Character



Location



Aerial Photo of Gully Park



Representative Character

# Future Park

located along Legion Street

Acres 8.00  
 Tax Number 02-02-14-110-011  
 Acquired year - donated

## Observations

### Environmental

- The park is not located in a flood plain.
- No wetlands are present in this park, however a detention basin was created as part of the subdivision.
- A large majority of the park is a detention area for the adjacent neighborhood.
- The park landscape is composed of turf and shade trees.

### Safety

- The park does not have security lighting.
- The park's lack of street frontage does not allow for adequate surveillance.
- A park identification sign is not present.

### Site Design

- The park has open areas for non-programmed use.

### Site Accessibility

- The park does not have any internal walkways and is not connected to the neighborhood walk system.
- There is no off-street parking provided at the park.
- Access into park is through 15' easement between two residential houses off of Coventry Drive.

### Park Recommendations

- Refine native prairie landscape and detention basin landscape with showy forb and grass mixture.
- Consider loop trail system and fitness stations with access from street.
- Consider play trail components.
- Consider sale/trade of land.

Quantity	Year Built	
		Trails-Multi-Use (miles)
		Trails-Bicycle (miles)
		Trails-Nature(miles)
		Shelter/Pavilion
		Restrooms
		Play Equipment
		Swings
		Concessions
		Tennis
		Basketball
		Volleyball
		Baseball
		Softball
		Soccer
		Football
		Sledding
		Splash Pad
		Skating Rink
		Parking Lot
		Parking Spaces
		Picnic Tables
		Park Benches
		Drinking Fountain
		ADA Accessible



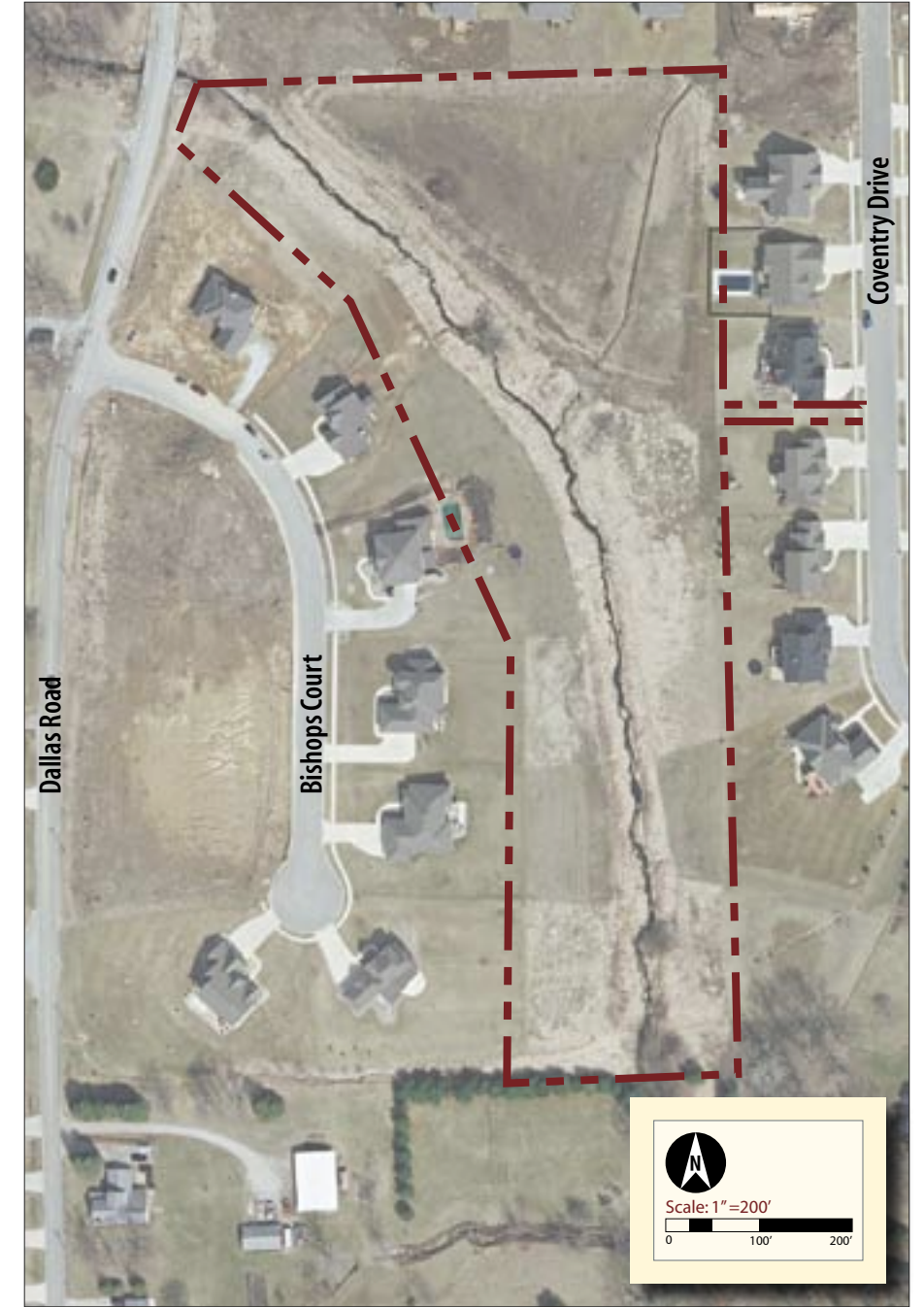
Park Access 15' Easement



Detention Area with Concrete Channel



Open Space



Aerial Photo of Future Park



Open Space

Utilities available:

ELE	WATER	STORM	SAN	GAS	TEL
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# Recreation Facility

105 South Spruce Street

Acres 13.80  
 Tax Number 02-02-11-200-005  
 Acquired 1992 - purchased / dedication

## Observations

### Environmental

- The park is not located in a flood plain.
- No wetlands are present in this park.
- The property houses the recreation facility and has very little natural ground cover.

### Safety

- Circulation between pedestrians and vehicles conflicts at several points.

### Site Design

- The majority of the site is encompassed by the building.
- Crosswalks/ramps and improved wayfinding could improve the entry experience.
- Minimal buffer exists between facility and adjacent residential.

### Site Accessibility

- An ADA Audit was performed as part of the 2005 Master Plan process and a checklist for improvements prepared.
- Site improvements dealt with ramps and sidewalk slopes primarily.

### Park Recommendations

- Recommendations are provided in a separate master plan for the building facility prepared by Burnidge Cassel Associates in 2005.
- Key site recommendations include the development of a play environment, minor parking adjustments, sidewalk enhancements, and landscape improvements.

### Building Recommendations

- Undertake a site feasibility study to validate the value of rehabilitation versus new construction.
- Implement a master plan priorities study including the following confirmations from this process:
  - Add/expand indoor gymnasium/basketball court space.
  - Improve restrooms.
  - Expand tumbling space.
  - Re-purpose stage area.
  - Add kitchenette.
  - Add a pool table/gaming area.
  - Enhance access to indoor batting cages.

Quantity	Year Built	
		Trails-Multi-Use (miles)
		Trails-Bicycle (miles)
		Trails-Nature(miles)
		Shelter/Pavilion
		Restrooms
		Play Equipment
		Swings
		Concessions
		Tennis
		Basketball
		Volleyball
		Baseball
		Softball
		Soccer
		Football
		Sledding
		Splash Pad
		Skating Rink
		Parking Lot
		Parking Spaces
		Picnic Tables
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		Drinking Fountain
		ADA Accessible
		Fishing Pier
		Boat Ramp



Accessible Southwest Entry



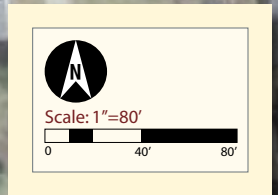
East Side Parking Area



Entrance to Park District



Aerial Photo of Recreation Center



Spruce Street Facade

Utilities available:

ELE	WATER	STORM	SAN	GAS	TEL
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*Chapter Seven:*  
**Appendix**

*April 2012*

# Chapter Seven: Appendix

## Definitions and Abbreviations

**Community Park** - focus on meeting community based recreational needs, as well as preserve unique landscapes and open space. They are typically 50 or more acres in size, with 70 plus acres being ideal.

**IAPD** - Illinois Association of Park Districts - Distinguished Park & Recreation Accreditation Standards. IAPD recommends creating a park classification system to serve as a guide for organizing an agency's parks.

**Level of Service (LOS)** - a ratio representing the minimum amount of open space and park land needed to meet the recreation demands of the community as recommended by NRPA.

**Mini Park** - used to address limited, isolated, or unique recreational needs and is usually between 2,500 SF and 1 acre in size.

**NRPA** - National Recreation and Parks Association - Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Guidelines Manual. NRPA recommends creating a park classification system to serve as a guide for organizing an agency's parks.

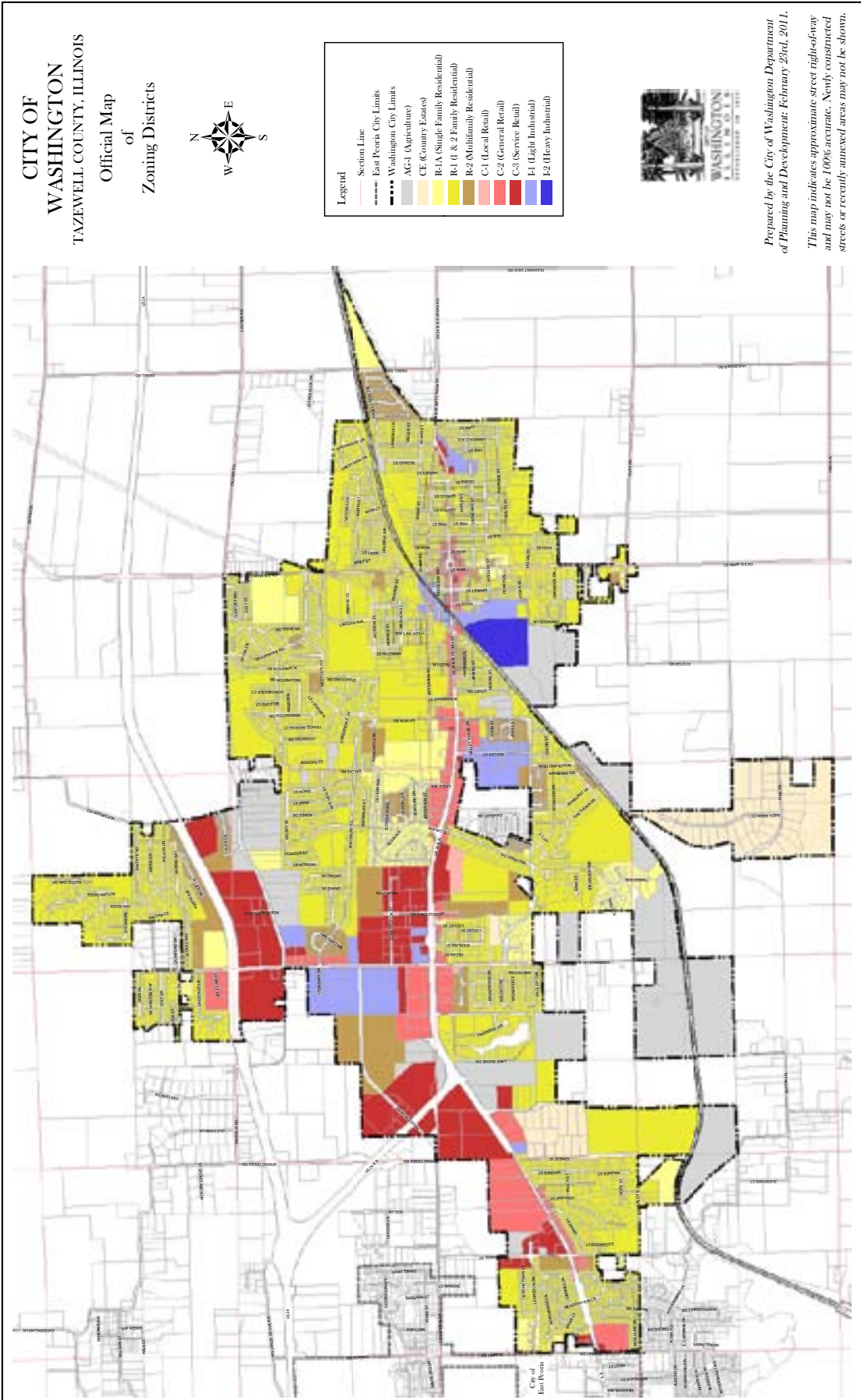
**Neighborhood Park** - focus in on informal active and passive recreation and are typically between 5 and 10 acres in size.

**Planning Areas** - Planning areas are used for analysis, proposed land acquisition and redevelopment of new park facilities. Planning areas are delineated by impassable pedestrian boundaries, including major roads or highways, railroad corridors and extreme natural features.

**SCORP** - Illinois Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan - compares the estimated supply of recreational amenities provided within the state of Illinois to the number of amenities provided by the Washington Park District on a 1,000 population basis.

**Service Areas** - the area served by an existing park facility, usually a coverage based upon a standard distance. Service area studies are used to understand those areas served or under served by existing parks.

**Special Use Facility** - Areas for specialized or single purpose recreational activities. Generally designed for active recreation and focus on meeting community based recreation needs.



**IDNR Grant Administration Division  
Per IPRA-Park & Natural Resource Management Section's Recommendations**

**USEFUL LIFE CRITERIA**

<u>FACILITY</u>	<u>Expected useful life</u>	<u>Evaluation Criteria - Factor</u>
<u>BB/SocBall fields</u>	8-10 years	# Games/week, # Practices/week Grass infield? Maintenance Procedure/Standards Is site used for multiple uses, soccer, football? Is space used for organized or programmed events? Spectator considerations - bleachers Concession stands
<u>BB/SocBall Field Lighting</u>	20 years	Pole Type (wood, steel, concrete) Wiring type (aluminum, copper) HID or incandescent fixtures Existing FC vs. new standards Accepted grounding systems? Panel Capabilities/Technology Electrical Code compliance
<u>Soccer Fields</u>	8-10 years	Usage rating A/B/C/D # games/week, # weeks/year, time of year, age of user
<u>Irrigation system</u>	20 years	Irrigated Y/N Usage # games per week Drainage considerations Maintenance standards/levels Is site used for organized or programmed events? To what extent? Is site used for multiple uses? Soccer, BB or football
<u>Tennis Courts</u>		Lighted Y/N (Use BB Criteria)
Resurface	12-15 years	Surface clay, asphalt, other
Total Renovation	20-25 years	Color coat/overlay/rebuild Frequency of color coating Location - high water table Fencing material/poles Preventive maintenance Location, Water table concerns Is site used for organized or programmed events? To what extent? Are courts used for making ice?
<u>Basket Ball Courts</u>		Same as tennis courts
Resurface	12-15 years	
Total Renovation	20-25 years	
<u>Volleyball Courts</u>		Sand / Grass? Lighted Y/N Borders Bleachers/spectator area
<u>Shuffleboard</u>		Same as tennis courts
Resurface	12-15 years	
Total Renovation	20-25 years	

<u>Picnic Shelters</u>	25 years	Support structures: masonry, steel, wood Roof type: metal, asphalt, shingle, slate, cedar shake Construction type: post & beam, frame Historical value and consideration Preventive maintenance record Is site used for organized or programmed events? To what extent?
<u>Playgrounds</u>	15 years metal 10 years plastic 8-12 years wood	Meet Standards? ASTM, CPSC, ADA Daily usage by intended user group Location: school, or neighborhood park Surfacing Material Preventive maintenance record Border construction material Location: retention area/water?
<u>Boat Launch Ramps</u>	15-20 years	Construction materials, gravel, concrete Location i.e. Lake Michigan Annual Usage Is facility ice generating? Region
<u>Fishing Piers &amp; Docks</u>	15-20 years	Original construction materials plastic, wood, aluminum Location i.e. Lake Michigan Annual volume/usage Winter removal and storage? Preventive maintenance record
<u>Swimming Pools</u>	25 years	Stand alone site?
Bathhouse	25 years	Heated for winter?
<u>Bathhouse</u>	10-15 years	Attached to Community Center Y/N Mechanical room connected? ADA compliance Y/N Local Code compliance? Preventive Maintenance record Location i.e. Lake Michigan
<u>Restrooms</u>	Same as pools	Same as pools
<u>Parking Lots</u>		Gravel, asphalt or concrete
Resurface	10-12 years	Monthly volume and load use i.e. delivery trucks or garbage
Total Renovation	20-25 years	Spring use - heavy, moderate, light Seal coating frequency Preventive maintenance record Original construction design loads Locations flooding/water concerns Snow removal or salt use? Curbed or sheet drainage to edges
<u>Bike Paths</u>	Same as Parking lots	Same as Parking lots
<u>Interpretive Center</u>	Same as Bathhouse	Same as Bathhouse

## Board of Trustees Priority Worksheet

### Washington Park District

#### Comprehensive Plan Priority Worksheet

Rank	Votes	Strategy
6	0	<b>Develop a Public Relations strategy to disseminate positive and clear information about the Park District to the public including:</b> Improve website to allow for content updating by staff. Use email to communicate to population served. Develop a self promotion / marketing plan to make community aware of offerings.
4	3	<b>Improve park maintenance resources.</b>
7	0	<b>Create a systematic approach targeting repair and replacement of neighborhood park amenities, including access to them and the creation of a unique environment for each.</b> Shelters Site Furniture Pathways Play Environment
1	10	<b>Complete finish and adopt the master plan to improve Oak Ridge Park including:</b> Softball / Baseball Soccer / Lacrosse / Football Sports Lighting Interpretive / Fitness Trail Overlook Nature based play Stadium field(s) / Artificial turf Parking
8	0	<b>Create a master plan for Washington Park considering:</b> Accessible Pathways and Trails Baseball / Softball Improvements Admin Building Renovations / Replacement Restroom Building Renovations / Replacement Sports lighting. Cross country markers. Parking expansion. Site Amenities (benches, trash, signs, shelters, scoreboards, bleachers) Expand picnic amenities near Wenger Shelter.
5	1	<b>Create a master plan to improve Meadow Valley Park considering:</b> Expanded hiking trail network. Add accessible pathways. Improve shelters Unique destination amenities Wedding pavilion / amphitheater with scenic backdrop Interpretive features and wayfinding. Challenge course Natural area management and enhancement. Nature based play environments

### Washington Park District

#### Comprehensive Plan Priority Worksheet

Rank	Votes	Strategy
2	7	<b>Implement the master plan to improve the Recreation facility focusing on:</b> Adding an additional indoor gymnasium / basketball court space. Improving restrooms. Expand tumbling space. Model The Centre in Elgin when making indoor improvements. Re-purpose stage area. Add kitchenette. Pool table / gaming area. Indoor batting cages.
11	0	<b>Refine the master plan for pool improvements including:</b> Combine two pools into one. Additional "current" pool amenities Expand parking.
13	0	<b>Provide permanent restrooms at LaHood Park.</b>
12	0	<b>Prepare an action plan for tackling management challenges at Bowen Park including:</b> Remedy algae bloom issue. Pave gravel parking lot. Stabilize erosion. Repair / replace fishing dock. Coordinate IDNR fish stocking Manage native plantings Interpretive signs Repair inaccessible trail segments.
10	0	<b>Consider acquiring 5-10 acre neighborhood parks in planning areas within or near planning areas 1, 2, 7, 10 .</b>
3	6	<b>Continue to implement new trail links to connect park and school sites through land acquisition and / or securing easements and use-agreements.</b> Add wayfinding signs and mile markers. Add interpretive signage. Add / Improve trailheads. Add / Improve vehicular crossings.
9	0	<b>Develop hiking trails within the Park District's natural areas.</b>
		Clear Board Priority
		Supported Board Priority
		No Board Preference (ranked on stakeholder and public comments only)



### Meeting Summaries

### Meeting Summary

Date: November 16, 2011  
Time: 11:30 AM  
Location: Washington, Illinois  
Attendees: Doug Damery, Washington Park District (WPD)  
Eric Hornig, Hitchcock Design Group (HDG)  
See attached sign in sheet

RE: **Comprehensive Plan**  
Project: **04-0973-002-01-03**

#### Purpose of Meeting:

Stakeholder Input: School Superintendents

#### Items Discussed:

Hitchcock Design Group described the overall comprehensive plan process and requested general input on the state of the park district, it's landholdings, amenities, and offerings and heard the following comments:

1. A general shortage of ballfields exists within the community.
2. WPD is considering opportunities to lengthen the time of play on each field since additional land is not readily available.
3. Indoor court space would be useful. Currently supplementary court space is rented by WPD from the schools.
4. The High School uses WPD softball fields with joint maintenance and upkeep.
5. Volunteer efforts have been utilized for new developments in the past.
6. The overall relationship is positive and functioning well.
7. Some use conflicts occur in the late spring when High School and Park District baseball / softball overlap.
8. The High School soccer team uses a single field for practice and games. Consider soccer game field relocation to Oak Ridge Park or another shared location.
9. The High School is in the process of determining whether to renovate existing facilities or share in Oak Ridge Park facilities. They would likely not do both.
10. Permanent storage is needed near the High School fields.
11. Security / vandalism can be an issue around the High School.
12. Consider lit basketball courts at LaHood Park.
13. General enrollment is increasing.
14. Potential for expansion exists south of the school area within the adjacent Spurgeon property, but no agreements have been successful to date.
15. Short term middle school expansion vision would not impact outdoor fields.
16. Disc golf at Washington Park is used by physical education classes.
17. Consider outdoor fitness / challenge course that could be shared by physical education classes.
18. Consider cross country trail expansion, permanent marking that could be shared by the cross country team.
19. Overall the group felt that the park system is in great shape.
20. Consider sports complex expansion like Morton.
21. Consider balanced calendar effect on programs in the future.
22. Address algae bloom in Bowen Park.

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Location: Washington Park District  
From: Eric Hornig, Hitchcock Design Group (HDG)  
RE: **Washington Park District Comprehensive Plan**  
Project: **04-0873-002-01-03**

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Time: 2:00 PM  
Location: Washington, Illinois  
Attendees: Doug Damery, Washington Park District (WPD)  
Eric Hornig, Hitchcock Design Group (HDG)  
See attached sign in sheet

**RE: Comprehensive Plan**  
**Project: 04-0973-002-01-03**

### Purpose of Meeting:

Stakeholder Input: Washington Park District Staff

### Items Discussed:

Hitchcock Design Group described the overall comprehensive plan process and requested general input on the state of the park district, its landholdings, amenities, and offerings and heard the following comments:

1. Improve the website to allow for active / current content updating.
2. Improve the bathrooms within the recreation facility.
3. Escalate the Recreation Facility Master Plan. It is still important and relevant.
4. Oak Ridge Park is a priority.
5. Trail maintenance is difficult, especially remote hiking trails.
6. Maintenance labor is understaffed for the facilities that exist.
7. Equipment provided for maintenance is good quality and in good shape.
8. Prescriptive burning of natural areas has been challenging in recent years due to fire department coordination.
9. Address erosion, algae bloom, and IDNR fish stocking / management at Bowen Lake.
10. Consider a solar / windmill powered aerator at Bowen Lake.
11. Reduce / remove / replace ornamental plantings to a sustainable level.
12. Shelters and picnic tables are in need of repair / replacement and additions are needed.
13. Graffiti and vandalism are an issue throughout the system, but specifically in shelter areas.
14. The tumbling program needs more space. Consider expanding the building to create a tumbling area and opening up the gym for court sport use.
15. Consider outdoor batting cages and places for indoor batting cages
16. Consider nature based programming additions.
17. Consider additional golf course / driving range partnerships.
18. Consider indoor laser tag.
19. Consider outdoor paintball / challenge course targeting teen age group.
20. Arts programming has partnered with other local facilities with sporadic success.
21. Consider community theater programming / partnerships with the community theater.
22. Consider job training programming (resume building / interviewing / business skills)
23. Use The Centre in Elgin as a model for indoor improvements.
24. Use the Muscatine Soccer Facility as a model for outdoor improvements.

25. Consider pool improvements, combing two pools into one more functional and robust pool.
26. Expand pool parking to the northeast.
27. Consider adding a dog park.
28. Consider adding a skate park.
29. Consider adding an indoor turf complex.
30. Provide an additional outdoor full court basketball.
31. Consider accommodating space for the Cherry Festival or other festival type events.
32. Expand picnic amenities at Washington Park, near Winger Shelter.
33. Consider the purchase and rental of a "Block Party Trailer."
34. Develop a wedding pavilion within a scenic backdrop to promote wedding rentals and reservations. Consider Washington Park or Meadow Valley Park.
35. Consider an amphitheater with summer concert opportunities.

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RE: Washington Park District Comprehensive Plan
Project: 04-0873-002-01-03

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Date: November 16, 2011
Time: 4:00 PM
Location: Washington, Illinois
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Eric Hornig, Hitchcock Design Group (HDG)
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RE: Comprehensive Plan
Project: 04-0973-002-01-03

Purpose of Meeting: Stakeholder Input: Service Organizations

Items Discussed: Hitchcock Design Group described the overall comprehensive plan process and requested general input on the state of the park district, it's landholdings, amenities, and offerings and heard the following comments:

- 1. Consider permanent landmarks in Washington Park for cross country racing.
2. Consider parking expansion in Washington Park.
3. Oak Ridge Park is a priority.
4. Consider combining Washington Recreation Association (WRA) / Park District efforts to avoid overlap / competing resources.
5. Consider the addition of Lacrosse fields.
6. Consider a disc golf tournament / enhanced course features.
7. Expand / Improve hiking trails in Meadow Valley Park.
8. Provide more fishing opportunities.
9. Provide a festival space for the Cherry Festival (15-20K people over 3-4 days, +/- 7-10 acres).
10. The group felt the park district does a good job and offers a diverse group of programs.
11. The park district needs to be better at self promotion / making people aware of offerings and accomplishments.
12. Specific notes were added that recent improvements had been significant and that leadership was strong.
13. Explain to the community what the bus does.
14. Provide more senior activities / facilities.
15. Vandalism / theft seem to be an issue particularly with picnic tables.
16. Consider the development of a community watch group to assist with park policing.
17. The district appears to be spread a little thin when it comes to maintenance, particularly having to move equipment to multiple remote locations.
18. Consider adding a skate park.
19. Consider adding a dog park.
20. Find ways to share resources through creative partnerships and use of volunteer labor.
21. Consider paving some of the gravel parking lots, particularly at Bowen Park.

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 Project: **04-0873-002-01-03**

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Date: November 16, 2011  
 Time: 5:00 PM  
 Location: Washington, Illinois  
 Attendees: Doug Damery, Washington Park District (WPD)  
 Eric Hornig, Hitchcock Design Group (HDG)  
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 RE: **Comprehensive Plan**  
 Project: **04-0973-002-01-03**

**Purpose of Meeting:**  
 Stakeholder Input: Washington Recreation Trail Committee

**Items Discussed:**  
 Hitchcock Design Group described the overall comprehensive plan process and requested general input on the state of the park district, it's landholdings, amenities, and offerings and heard the following comments:

1. City of Washington identified their current trail priorities as:
  - a. Connection along Cummings Lane between Cruger Road and St. Claire Court
  - b. Stretch along Business 24 between Dallas Road and Cummings Lane- 7' trail
  - c. Stretch along Cruger between Main street and Cummings Lane
  - d. Freedom Parkway, pending development needs
  - e. Priorities were confirmed by the group as appropriate.
2. Consider connecting Dallas through to Cruger with Devonshire Development
3. Identify fundraising opportunities for healthy / proactive living.
4. Consider additional hiking trails.
5. Extend Main Street trail to Bowen Park
6. Extend Trail to Meadow Valley
7. Consider naming the trail system. Holland's Pass was one suggestion after the City Founder.
8. Consider naming the trail segments individually.
9. Consider a mile marker system.
10. Providing wayfinding and marking to help with emergency assistance.
11. Use 5-Points as a starting point for marker system.
12. Consider trail identification / interpretation signs.
13. Consider trailhead improvements.
14. Bike racks are now a City requirement for new development.
15. Make connection extensions where possible to Farmdale for mountain biking and ICC.
16. Consider rail line trail if ever abandoned.
17. Review tri-county mapping data if available.
18. Consider State Farm Community Grant, Robert Woods Johnson foundation Grant, Illinois Transportation Enhancements Program, and Safe Routes to School grants as potential funding sources.
19. Make the public aware of the Washington Parks Foundation and it's purpose.

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 From: Eric Hornig, Hitchcock Design Group (HDG)  
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### Meeting Summary

Date: November 16, 2011  
 Time: 6:30 PM  
 Location: Washington, Illinois  
 Attendees: Doug Damery, Washington Park District (WPD)  
 Eric Hornig, Hitchcock Design Group (HDG)  
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RE: Comprehensive Plan  
 Project: 04-0973-002-01-03

Purpose of Meeting:  
 Stakeholder Input: Athletics

Items Discussed:  
 Hitchcock Design Group described the overall comprehensive plan process and requested general input on the state of the park district, it's landholdings, amenities, and offerings and heard the following comments:

1. Consider lighting improvements at Washington Park.
2. Consider amenity core improvements at Washington Park.
3. Consider parking expansion at Washington Park.
4. The groups is still in favor of draft Oak Ridge Park improvements under consideration.
5. Junior Football League registration is increasing.
6. Overuse is beginning to show wear on fields.
7. Youth population is increasing with waves beginning in 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grade.
8. Successful programs are increasing expectations, demand, and program growth in all age groups.
9. Indoor Gym space is in high demand with multiple use conflicts occurring throughout the year.
10. A need exists for additional batting practice spaces, both indoor and outdoor.
11. There is a shortage of baseball fields.
12. High school soccer field has the following issues: Drainage, Lighting, Parking, Restrooms, Seating, and Storage.
13. For the spring season in particular, multiple games are cancelled because the sun sets before games can be finished.
14. Fields and courts are a high need.
15. The system is one broken facility away from a breakdown.
16. Begin education of young athletes (grade school) and their parents about the need to improve the facilities before their children get to the age where they are using them.
17. Utilize partnerships and volunteerism to help make it happen.
18. Five Points court time is not available.
19. Improvements need to be sizeable and high quality to be competitive.
20. Consider a Sportsplex that has indoor turf / and 2-3 courts with flexible space in between.

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### Meeting Summary

Date: November 21, 2011  
 Time: 12:00 PM  
 Location: Washington, Illinois  
 Attendees: Doug Damery, Washington Park District (WPD)  
 Eric Hornig, Hitchcock Design Group (HDG)  
 See attached sign in sheet  
 RE: **Comprehensive Plan**  
 Project: **04-0973-002-01-03**

**Purpose of Meeting:**  
 Stakeholder Input: Community Service Organizations

**Items Discussed:**  
 Hitchcock Design Group described the overall comprehensive plan process and requested general input on the state of the park district, it's landholdings, amenities, and offerings and heard the following comments:

1. Good communication / cooperation exists between the schools. This should be continued.
2. Bike trails are great! Promote the use of, especially when adjacent to streets in lieu of the street.
3. Overall the group felt the park district is doing a great job!
4. Consider alarms, cameras, and emergency call boxes to assist with safety and vandalism issues.
5. Consider installing AED (defibrillators) in major park areas and train staff in their use.
6. Consider partnership with police for a bike path specific patrol.
7. Camp Adventure and Reach are run wonderfully.
8. Generally program offerings are balanced and meet different needs of children well.
9. A good rainout / reschedule system exists.
10. Consider renovating the building, particularly the bathrooms.
11. Improve pool and building in a high quality enough manner to be competitive with other recreation providers.
12. Add parking / access / amenities at neighborhood parks or evaluate the need for their existence.
13. A misperception exists that Five Points is a Park District Facility. WPD is competing with them.
14. Provide a resolution for "Future Park" and execute the plan.
15. Need to do a better job maintaining the existing facilities (light bulb replacement in rotary shelter).
16. Find an effective re-use of the recreation facility stage area or repurpose.
17. Public relations issues exist with potential donors and follow through with commitments.
18. Washington Park is well established, well maintained.
19. Consider adding a dog park.
20. Good school collaboration, particularly at the end of the year with field trip programs.
21. Consider adding a skate park.

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## Meeting Summary

Date: November 21, 2011  
Time: 2:00 PM  
Location: Washington, Illinois  
Attendees: Doug Damery, Washington Park District (WPD)  
Eric Hornig, Hitchcock Design Group (HDG)  
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**RE: Comprehensive Plan**  
**Project: 04-0973-002-01-03**

### Purpose of Meeting:

Stakeholder Input: City of Washington (COW)

### Items Discussed:

Hitchcock Design Group described the overall comprehensive plan process and requested general input on the state of the park district, its landholdings, amenities, and offerings and heard the following comments:

1. Washington Grade School Park is currently owned by the City. COW suggested that WPD begin the process for conveyance of that land to the Park District or establish a formal Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for the use of the park.
2. Birchwood Park is also owned by the City, but an IGA exists that is functioning without issue.
3. At Future Park (Devonshire Neighborhood) WPD questioned the consideration of land trade / sale to adjacent property owners in lieu of park development. COW indicated no issues except the potential for drainage easements on site. *Follow up research indicates the following: "... There is a 30' wide sanitary sewer easement that moves from Dallas Road to the southeastern part of the parcel. Additionally, the northeast section of this parcel has a storm water detention basin easement...".* They also indicated that WPD should review the perpetual nature of the original land deal to make sure it is not further encumbered.
4. A trail connection is conceivable through Future Park if access can be addressed at the westernmost edge, where slopes are steep.
5. A few policy items were discussed:
  - a. COW would support a more formal ordinance amendment that brought WPD in for review of development as it relates to trails and park land donations.
  - b. COW would support further discussion on a land / cash ordinance that required developers to contribute to the burden brought by development.
  - c. This type of ordinance would need to be structured in a way that still promoted development.
  - d. In the past, permit fees were collected in addition to typical, that went back to the developer as incentive for park development / conveyance.
  - e. Direct impact fees will likely not be palatable.
6. COW considers the Recreation Trail an important community asset.
7. COW recommended evaluation of financial model / preparation of a performance looking at life cycle costs for recommendations of the plan.
8. Consider the development of an ice rink.

9. COW considers the neighborhood parks important to the overall community.
10. COW does not see a need or realistic value in annexing Oak Ridge Park / Bowen Lake Park into the City.
11. COW recommended a focus on maintenance / life cycle costs.
12. COW notes that a referendum will would have very little support in the current climate.

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Location: City of Washington
From: Eric Hornig, Hitchcock Design Group (HDG)

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Project: 04-0873-002-01-03

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Time: 4:00 PM  
Location: Washington, Illinois  
Attendees: Doug Damery, Washington Park District (WPD)  
Eric Hornig, Hitchcock Design Group (HDG)  
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**RE: Comprehensive Plan**  
**Project: 04-0973-002-01-03**

### Purpose of Meeting:

Stakeholder Input: Community Service Organizations (2)

### Items Discussed:

Hitchcock Design Group described the overall comprehensive plan process and requested general input on the state of the park district, it's landholdings, amenities, and offerings and heard the following comments:

1. Updates over the last 5 years have been significant and are appreciated.
2. Consider benchmarking the planning effort against neighboring communities in addition to state / national averages.
3. Consider updating 1 park / year.
4. Harry La Hood Park is very well done.
5. Improving Oak Ridge Park is important.
6. Add a neighborhood park to planning Area 11.
7. Continue trail development.
8. Use Burlington Soccer Complex and Champion Fields in Bloomington as models for park development.
9. Consider revenue generators / mid-tier tournaments at Oak Ridge Park.
10. Consider economic impact of fields / tournaments when evaluating development costs.
11. Make a trail connection to the East Peoria trail system.
12. Programs are varied and accessible to a lot of people.
13. Consider upgrading coaching ability through training, clinics, coach incentives, and the addition of a coaches development chair.
14. Consider lacrosse additions.
15. Fields are in high demand.
16. Indoor Courts are in high demand.
17. Consider merging WRA / NTRA with WPD while not losing the strong volunteer support base.
18. Water Jets is a well run swim program.
19. Review Eastern bypass effects on the area.

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### Purpose of Meeting:

Stakeholder Input: Board of Commissioners

### Items Discussed:

Hitchcock Design Group described the overall comprehensive plan process and requested general input on the state of the park district, it's landholdings, amenities, and offerings and heard the following comments:

1. Expand / improve Meadow Valley hiking trail.
2. Consider tracking updates more specifically to ADA funding / SRA fund.
3. For the online survey:
  - a. Consider incorporating a hand completed survey into the program guide.
  - b. Action needs to be swift, program guide goes to print tomorrow.
  - c. HDG / WPD to finalize questions and include in the program guide.
  - d. Add a demographics question to ascertain ages within each household (optional).
  - e. Provide options for more information about unsatisfactory answers.
4. Consider development of a ski / sled hill.
5. Consider development of a volunteer work force like Peoria's CORE program for trail / park maintenance.
6. Facilities are showing signs of wear and age.
7. Trust is fading with public and partners that needs to be renewed / strengthened.
8. WPD needs to be in the development loop with the City of Washington.
9. Consider the development of a program to track progress against the standards on a continuing basis.
10. Evaluate population density on the overall mapping efforts.
11. Consider the addition of a bathroom at LaHood Park.
12. Arts / Crafts / Services seem underserved.
13. Consider ice hockey within an existing detention basin / parking lot.
14. Special events are important to and well attended by the community.
15. Develop a feedback mechanism for ongoing improvement / evaluation of programs.
16. Consider revenue generating events / facilities.
17. The recreation trail is a priority.
18. Oak Ridge Park is a priority.
19. Consider adding trails with interpretive signs at Oak Ridge Park and Meadow Valley Park.
20. Consider naming rights, plaques, benches, trees, etc. to offset development / maintenance costs.
21. Consider paperless efforts throughout the system.
22. Target audience is young families.

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 Location: Washington Park District  
 From: Eric Hornig, Hitchcock Design Group (HDG)

**RE: Washington Park District Comprehensive Plan**  
**Project: 04-0873-002-01-03**

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cc: Doug Damery, Washington Park District  
 Bill Inman, HDG

## User Survey

### Washington Park District - Comp Plan



#### 1. On average, how often do you visit a Washington Park District Facility?





	Response Percent	Response Count
Very Often (3 or more times / week)	15.1%	38
Often (1-2 Times per week)	28.2%	71
<b>Sometimes</b>	<b>38.1%</b>	<b>96</b>
Seldom	17.1%	43
Never	1.6%	4
<b>answered question</b>		<b>252</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>0</b>



**2. Which Washington Park District Facilities have you or your family visited in the last 12 months and how satisfied were you with the facilities?**

	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	Satisfied (some updates needed)	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	Did Not Visit	Response Count
Recreation Center / Park (Spruce St.)	10.2% (18)	<b>52.0% (92)</b>	13.0% (23)	24.9% (44)	177
Washington Park (Lincoln St.)	37.7% (72)	<b>43.5% (83)</b>	3.1% (6)	15.7% (30)	191
Oak Ridge Park	20.3% (36)	28.8% (51)	13.0% (23)	<b>37.9% (67)</b>	177
Meadow Valley Park	7.2% (11)	17.0% (26)	5.2% (8)	<b>70.6% (108)</b>	153
Bowen Lake Park	10.6% (17)	14.9% (24)	3.1% (5)	<b>71.4% (115)</b>	161
Birchwood Park	2.7% (4)	9.5% (14)	1.4% (2)	<b>86.5% (128)</b>	148
Candlewood Park	4.0% (6)	9.3% (14)	3.3% (5)	<b>83.3% (125)</b>	150
Grant Park	3.4% (5)	3.4% (5)	0.7% (1)	<b>92.6% (137)</b>	148
Harry LaHood Park	28.7% (48)	22.8% (38)	3.6% (6)	<b>44.9% (75)</b>	167
Sweitzer Park	4.0% (6)	7.9% (12)	0.7% (1)	<b>87.4% (132)</b>	151
Weaver Park	2.7% (4)	3.4% (5)	0.0% (0)	<b>93.9% (139)</b>	148
Westgate Park / Pool	35.3% (61)	26.0% (45)	1.7% (3)	<b>37.0% (64)</b>	173
Recreation Trail	30.9% (50)	31.5% (51)	1.9% (3)	<b>35.8% (58)</b>	162
Other / Comments:					30
					<b>answered question</b>
					<b>206</b>
					<b>skipped question</b>
					<b>46</b>

**3. Which of the following most closely describes your opinion about park development (presume that no new sources of revenue are sought)?**

		Response Percent	Response Count
We need to preserve more open space by acquiring land		8.6%	17
We need to develop our existing parks that do not have amenities currently		25.4%	50
<b>We need to update our existing parks with current / new amenities</b>		<b>43.7%</b>	<b>86</b>
We need to maintain what we have better		22.3%	44
	Additional Comments:		18
		<b>answered question</b>	<b>197</b>
		<b>skipped question</b>	<b>55</b>

**4. On a scale of 1-5 with 1 being most important, please tell us how important the following potential improvements to facilities would be to you and your family:**

	1	2	3	4	5	Response Count
Multi-purpose Trails	39.1% (77)	20.8% (41)	25.4% (50)	5.6% (11)	9.1% (18)	197
Hiking Trails	28.4% (55)	19.6% (38)	27.3% (53)	11.3% (22)	13.4% (26)	194
Trail signs / Mile Markers	19.2% (37)	23.8% (46)	23.8% (46)	16.1% (31)	17.1% (33)	193
Skate Park	12.6% (24)	7.3% (14)	14.1% (27)	14.1% (27)	51.8% (99)	191
Dog Park	15.8% (31)	12.2% (24)	17.3% (34)	11.7% (23)	42.9% (84)	196
Outdoor Basketball Courts	13.1% (25)	18.3% (35)	22.5% (43)	20.4% (39)	25.7% (49)	191
Indoor Basketball Courts	16.9% (32)	18.5% (35)	20.1% (38)	16.4% (31)	28.0% (53)	189
Improved Softball / Baseball Fields	25.0% (48)	14.1% (27)	19.3% (37)	13.5% (26)	28.1% (54)	192
Batting Cages	26.4% (51)	15.0% (29)	14.5% (28)	15.0% (29)	29.0% (56)	193
Improved Parking	20.4% (39)	22.0% (42)	25.1% (48)	13.6% (26)	18.8% (36)	191
Recreation Facility Improvements / Renovations	25.9% (49)	30.2% (57)	21.2% (40)	9.5% (18)	13.2% (25)	189
Pool Improvements / Updates	15.5% (30)	25.3% (49)	25.3% (49)	18.6% (36)	15.5% (30)	194
Natural Area Enhancements	15.7% (30)	23.6% (45)	26.7% (51)	14.7% (28)	19.4% (37)	191
Fishing Amenities / Enhancements	10.0% (19)	21.6% (41)	22.6% (43)	13.7% (26)	32.1% (61)	190
Picnic Shelters & Amenities	15.7% (30)	24.6% (47)	35.6% (68)	13.6% (26)	10.5% (20)	191
Teen Activities (Paintball / Challenge Course)	21.9% (43)	21.9% (43)	18.9% (37)	12.8% (25)	24.5% (48)	196
Landscape Improvements / Enhancements	9.3% (18)	14.0% (27)	30.1% (58)	24.9% (48)	21.8% (42)	193
Indoor Artificial Turf Field	24.5% (47)	8.9% (17)	10.4% (20)	13.5% (26)	42.7% (82)	192
Outdoor Artificial Turf Field	12.7% (24)	7.4% (14)	13.2% (25)	17.5% (33)	49.2% (93)	189
Outdoor Amphitheater	15.9% (30)	13.8% (26)	23.3% (44)	19.0% (36)	28.0% (53)	189
Outdoor In Line / Ice Skating Rink	22.4% (43)	17.2% (33)	21.9% (42)	10.9% (21)	27.6% (53)	192

Other / Comments: 25

answered question 203

skipped question 49

**5. In what recreation programs have you or your family participated over the last 12 months and how satisfied were you with the program?**

	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	Satisfied (some updates needed)	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	Did Not Participate	Response Count
Facilities Rental (Birthday / Shelter)	10.1% (18)	26.8% (48)	0.6% (1)	62.6% (112)	179
Special Events (Races / Festivals / Trips)	18.3% (33)	30.6% (55)	1.1% (2)	50.0% (90)	180
Adult Fitness & Dance	2.9% (5)	7.5% (13)	1.7% (3)	87.9% (153)	174
Adult Arts & Crafts	3.5% (6)	4.0% (7)	0.6% (1)	91.9% (159)	173
Adult Athletics	4.6% (8)	9.8% (17)	0.0% (0)	85.5% (148)	173
Youth Dance & Tumbling	3.4% (6)	13.0% (23)	12.4% (22)	71.2% (126)	177
Youth Arts & Crafts	4.5% (8)	7.4% (13)	2.3% (4)	85.8% (151)	176
Youth Athletics	15.5% (29)	43.9% (82)	9.1% (17)	31.6% (59)	187

Other / Comments: 26

answered question 192

skipped question 60

**6. On a scale of 1-5 with 1 being most interested, please tell us how interested you and your family would be in the following potential programs:**

	1	2	3	4	5	Response Count
Theater Group / Music Performance	23.0% (44)	17.8% (34)	22.0% (42)	12.0% (23)	<b>25.1% (48)</b>	191
Laser Tag	18.3% (35)	19.9% (38)	18.8% (36)	9.4% (18)	<b>33.5% (64)</b>	191
Nature studies	15.4% (29)	12.2% (23)	28.2% (53)	14.9% (28)	<b>29.3% (55)</b>	188
Job Skills Training	5.9% (11)	8.0% (15)	16.5% (31)	18.6% (35)	<b>51.1% (96)</b>	188
Festivals / Events	<b>25.7% (49)</b>	24.6% (47)	24.6% (47)	9.4% (18)	15.7% (30)	191
Wedding / Party Rental Spaces	3.7% (7)	9.6% (18)	18.7% (35)	13.4% (25)	<b>54.5% (102)</b>	187
Other / Comments:						6
<b>answered question</b>						<b>196</b>
<b>skipped question</b>						<b>56</b>

**7. Would you support the development of interconnected multi-purpose recreation trails throughout the district?**

	Response Percent	Response Count
<b>Fully Support</b>	<b>58.2%</b>	<b>117</b>
Moderately Support	30.3%	61
Do Not Support	3.5%	7
No Opinion	8.0%	16
<b>answered question</b>		<b>201</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>51</b>

**8. What is the best way for the Washington Park District to communicate with you?**

	Response Percent	Response Count
Program Guide	38.8%	78
Website	25.9%	52
<b>E-mail</b>	<b>72.1%</b>	<b>145</b>
Direct Mail	16.9%	34
Newspaper	11.9%	24
Other (please specify)	4.0%	8
<b>answered question</b>		<b>201</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>51</b>

**9. Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional):**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Response Count
Adults (65 & Up)	38.5% (5)	<b>61.5%</b> <b>(8)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	13
Adults (31-64)	9.4% (17)	<b>91.7%</b> <b>(166)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	181
Adults (19-30)	<b>67.7%</b> <b>(21)</b>	25.8% (8)	3.2% (1)	3.2% (1)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	31
Children (13-18)	<b>56.5%</b> <b>(35)</b>	32.3% (20)	11.3% (7)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	62
Children (6-12)	<b>48.7%</b> <b>(56)</b>	36.5% (42)	12.2% (14)	2.6% (3)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	115
Children (5& Under)	<b>56.1%</b> <b>(46)</b>	39.0% (32)	4.9% (4)	0.0% (0)	1.2% (1)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	82
<b>answered question</b>									<b>199</b>
<b>skipped question</b>									<b>53</b>

**Page 2, Q2. Which Washington Park District Facilities have you or your family visited in the last 12 months and how satisfied were you with the facilities?**

1	More basketball courts needed. Gym space is very minimal in Washington due to high levels of participation in basketball. This only looks to get worse.	Jan 9, 2012 9:10 AM
2	We need to do a better job at spraying the baseball fields at Washington Park	Jan 7, 2012 3:44 PM
3	Wenger Shelter	Dec 30, 2011 2:55 PM
4	could use bathrooms in some that don't have	Dec 28, 2011 7:53 PM
5	Grant Park could use adult seating or picnic table	Dec 27, 2011 5:03 PM
6	Please complete the req trail. Cruder road would be very nice addition to the trail.	Dec 26, 2011 3:52 PM
7	Clean the graffiti. The tumbling mats are filthy. A tumbling teacher let my child out of class 10 minutes early. I came to pick her up early and she was standing outside in the dark and it was cold. We never went back. I did not get the class I was paying for and the young teacher did not care. You need to monitor the people you hire. They represent your programs. It does not matter what your facility is like if your employees are bad.	Dec 23, 2011 4:55 AM
8	bleachers need to be repaired/or seating needs to be added	Dec 22, 2011 8:58 PM
9	5 points needs to be more available to low income and children	Dec 22, 2011 7:19 PM
10	Oakridge needs major updates to the soccer fields and parking	Dec 22, 2011 12:11 PM
11	I'd really like to see Oak Ridge Park, or a new facility become a better soccer facility. Lots of potential for growth in Washington for that sport.	Dec 22, 2011 12:08 PM
12	The main improvements we would like to see are in new/additional seating, picnic tables, etc.	Dec 21, 2011 9:29 PM
13	the bathrooms at Spruce street are not so nice.	Dec 21, 2011 7:09 PM
14	Work and guess we haven't heard of half of these...we live in Windsong estates.	Dec 21, 2011 1:06 PM
15	It would be great if all these parks had working water fountains. the floor in the gym always seems very dirty. the office staff is very helpful! Will other features be added to the water at LaHood Park? There is room for more, and more trees- perhaps some pine trees to act as a windblock on the Grandyle side.	Dec 21, 2011 11:52 AM
16	westgate park needs baby/toddler swing	Dec 21, 2011 11:01 AM
17	NETTING IS NEEDED FOR BALL GAMES TO STOP FOUL BALLS FROM HITTING PEOPLE SITTING AT THE ADJACENT FIELD	Dec 21, 2011 9:52 AM
18	Harry LaHood Park--Sprinklers don't always work properly; Some neighborhood parks (Sweitzer, Weaver, Birchwood, Candlewood) not being utilized due to other/better parks (Harry LaHood, Washington Park, Pool, Oak Ridge) and also these 'older' neighborhood parks are located in 'older' parts of town where young families may not gravitate towards	Dec 21, 2011 9:22 AM

**Page 2, Q2. Which Washington Park District Facilities have you or your family visited in the last 12 months and how satisfied were you with the facilities?**

19	It would be nice if the trail were longer than what it now is	Dec 21, 2011 9:18 AM
20	Work out at your old school building, aerobic room could use updates... better floors, mirrors.	Dec 21, 2011 9:18 AM
21	Bathrooms needed at LaHood Park!!	Dec 20, 2011 6:22 AM
22	Washington Park needs some restrooms and more electricity.	Dec 20, 2011 5:57 AM
23	More trails and sidewalks, please, especially on centennial	Dec 20, 2011 2:36 AM
24	Washington Park lacks bathroom access	Dec 19, 2011 8:02 PM
25	I think we have great parks. When visitors walk with me they are much impressed with Washington Park. The porta potties help.	Dec 14, 2011 6:44 AM
26	At LaHood Park, the large open area at the top of the climbing wall is NOT safe. One slip, and a small child could fall down the opening. Bars or something needs to be added to the entry way so that falling in is less likely.	Dec 14, 2011 6:07 AM
27	Soccer field updates are needed at Oak ridge.	Dec 13, 2011 9:27 AM
28	I have been to the smaller parks very infrequently and not enough to feel I can comment	Dec 9, 2011 8:03 PM
29	I would like to see the trail connected to more parks and schools. The Harry Lahood Water stops working often.	Dec 6, 2011 4:20 PM
30	Need more biking and running trails and connect to the rest of the surrounding communities	Dec 5, 2011 12:13 PM

**Page 2, Q3. Which of the following most closely describes your opinion about park development (presume that no new sources of revenue are sought)?**

1	From a baseball/softball perspective Washington park is great - we just need to do a better job at maintaining it.	Jan 7, 2012 3:44 PM
2	Our parks are great and we have many. These answers only lead me to select an option for improvements. There should be an option to select which indicates we/I am satisfied with the current state of our Parks.	Dec 28, 2011 8:59 AM
3	An indoor soccer complex would be greatly beneficial to the Washington area. Currently, the only real location is in Morton. You would be able to get a lot of the smaller surrounding towns & the facility would basically pay for itself.	Dec 27, 2011 10:15 AM
4	Spend money on the req trail.	Dec 26, 2011 3:52 PM
5	Consolidate Programs with 5 Points	Dec 23, 2011 9:49 AM
6	We need more and nicer baseball diamonds	Dec 22, 2011 11:22 AM
7	i do enjoy the bike trail as it has lengthened	Dec 21, 2011 8:04 PM
8	Glad for all the green space and think that makes a community very special..so hope they all are kept very nice.	Dec 21, 2011 1:06 PM
9	Oak Ridge soccer fields are a joke...completely unlevel and full of ruts	Dec 21, 2011 10:22 AM
10	A water playground would be nice for the summer.	Dec 21, 2011 10:06 AM
11	Update existing parks (that receive most use) and also look at new potential park development in deficient areas (for instance around Firethorn/Kern Road area)	Dec 21, 2011 9:22 AM
12	It would be nice to have more drinking fountains and restrooms in the park facilities	Dec 21, 2011 9:18 AM
13	soccer fields at Oak Ridge need to be kept up and leveled.	Dec 18, 2011 6:47 PM
14	Would love to have a larger toddler-specific play area at one of the parks.	Dec 14, 2011 6:07 AM
15	soccer field maintenance and drainage at Oak Ridge	Dec 11, 2011 6:35 AM
16	Graffiti is a problem at some parks.	Dec 6, 2011 4:20 PM
17	We need a sport complex with roller and ice hockey facilities.	Dec 5, 2011 8:02 PM
18	Please update the soccer fields	Dec 5, 2011 12:13 PM

**Page 2, Q4. On a scale of 1-5 with 1 being most important, please tell us how important the following potential improvements to facilities would be to you and your family:**

1	The bathrooms in most parks need a lot of work.	Jan 11, 2012 3:38 PM
2	Bathroom facilities in all the parks!	Jan 5, 2012 8:50 PM
3	Need a multipurpose practice facility for winter for Softball. The park district gym should be utilized for cases like this? Batting cages are there already, With the Park Dist. being the Cobra sponsor, why can't they use them at their convenience?	Jan 3, 2012 3:25 AM
4	Tennis program and courts. Number 1	Jan 1, 2012 10:40 AM
5	We need less noise not more. The residential areas around the parks seem to be no concern to the district whether it is the parks or the schools.	Dec 28, 2011 3:43 PM
6	Would like to see trail connect Washington to Sunnyland and would like to see more trails everywhere in Washington.	Dec 26, 2011 8:35 AM
7	There is no indoor artificial turf facility in Washington. Almost all other facilities listed above already exist. Thus, I feel the most benefit would be from adding an indoor turf field than improvements/additions to other facilities that already exist.	Dec 23, 2011 7:38 AM
8	The soccer fields need to be leveled.	Dec 23, 2011 4:55 AM
9	It would be great to see a dedicated indoor soccer complex like Morton has. and Morton's indoor soccer facility is paid for by the programs it runs. Washington could do even better I think.	Dec 22, 2011 12:08 PM
10	Outdoor coin operated batting cages	Dec 21, 2011 1:10 PM
11	The baseball fields need major renovation and lighting. Lighting, new fences, dugouts, dirt, grass (as opposed to weeds).	Dec 21, 2011 12:18 PM
12	Please no skate park - bad crwods - poor youth development - see Pekin	Dec 21, 2011 10:07 AM
13	we are big ice skaters...that would be great!	Dec 21, 2011 9:26 AM
14	Great potential and need for indoor soccer facility, upgrade our soccer fields, skating rink and amphitheater are also great ideas	Dec 19, 2011 8:27 PM
15	Bathrooms	Dec 19, 2011 8:02 PM
16	#1 would be an indoor soccer field with artificial turf, #2 would be more bike trails especially connecting the subdivisions north of Rt 24 to Washington, and better fields, #3 would be better parking at Oak Ridge Park, #4 would be more enhancements/amenities at Oak Ridge Park	Dec 14, 2011 8:02 AM
17	Need an indoor soccer facility like Morton. Have 3 kids and drive to Morton 2x+ a week in the winter.	Dec 13, 2011 9:27 AM
18	An indoor soccer practice facility is needed with artificial turf. Perhaps it could be shared with indoor softball/baseball some way. At least for batting practice. That way it doesn't need to be so big.	Dec 11, 2011 6:35 AM

**Page 2, Q4. On a scale of 1-5 with 1 being most important, please tell us how important the following potential improvements to facilities would be to you and your family:**

19	Would like a facility for indoor soccer like Morton has.	Dec 9, 2011 5:25 PM
20	Indoor Soccer center	Dec 9, 2011 10:33 AM
21	I feel that Oak Ridge Park needs to be expanded. We need some improvements to the overall soccer program. We love Washington but our kids love soccer and we don't want to have to go to Morton to get good soccer. Also, an indoor soccer facility would be awesome!!	Dec 9, 2011 6:53 AM
22	Indoor soccer complex like morton.	Dec 9, 2011 6:08 AM
23	Tennis courts - 2	Dec 6, 2011 4:20 PM
24	Indoor ice hockey rink. Central IL. needs more sheets of ice.	Dec 5, 2011 8:02 PM
25	Oakridge is in need of serious major updates	Dec 5, 2011 12:13 PM

**Page 3, Q5. In what recreation programs have you or your family participated over the last 12 months and how satisfied were you with the program?**

1	Indoor batting cages at the park district need to be replaced due to holes in the netting	Jan 7, 2012 3:50 PM
2	Can't get gym-time to practice basketball. Baseball Diamonds need work...need pitching mounds, batting cages, indoor and outdoor.	Jan 3, 2012 4:31 AM
3	Would like to see some of the youth activities start a little bit later.Like in the 6 P.M. range	Dec 30, 2011 2:58 PM
4	I feel there is a pretty high level of disorganization for the younger groups' activies (under 5). I feel that the same level of importance should be put on all youth activities, regardless of age group.	Dec 22, 2011 9:58 AM
5	the park district offers nothing for children that want to dance our just take a fun activity all it has is elite which is not a class or the dance/tumbling you offer is on a monthly tuition if I a mother was going to do something like that as I have I go to a studio or business that specializes in that like the gym corner not the district The district use to offer 6 week classes to try differant things that was great now you pay more for your stuff than at studios I have to go to peoria park district for things that I use to get here I just want my children to have fun not compete if they do so it will be by choice the sports is fine but there is nothing else and my children go to central and many other moms feel the same what happened to the park district great cost great time now its either compete join by terms for dance and tumbling and pay more than studio fees so alot of us have left which is ashame	Dec 21, 2011 9:15 PM
6	would love to have a dance/fitness class for mother-daughter	Dec 21, 2011 8:05 PM
7	classes listed but not enough people registered to have class	Dec 21, 2011 1:15 PM
8	Baseball diamonds and cages needed	Dec 21, 2011 1:12 PM
9	soccer-We liked having the weeknights games half instruction/practice, half game, but this was only done with my 7 y/o not my 4 y/o--this should be done for all kids so they learn something rather than just have game time. and organize the teams more in advance of when games starts, make and advertise a set night for each age for planning purposes,	Dec 21, 2011 11:52 AM
10	kids run was excellent program	Dec 21, 2011 11:04 AM
11	Need to publish actual dates and times on the internet...team assignments too...	Dec 21, 2011 10:24 AM
12	Communication/marketing issues are HUGE and outdated	Dec 21, 2011 10:08 AM
13	Need improvement (althought it's improving) in communication between park/youth athletic coordinator and coaches	Dec 21, 2011 9:27 AM
14	youth classes	Dec 21, 2011 9:20 AM
15	More art classes for adults and children would be nice	Dec 20, 2011 5:59 AM
16	Shelters need more power access...use for functions and festivals. Bathrooms need upgrade at washington park.	Dec 19, 2011 8:34 PM

**Page 3, Q5. In what recreation programs have you or your family participated over the last 12 months and how satisfied were you with the program?**

17	Need practice or at least game times sooner for youth athletic schedules	Dec 19, 2011 8:04 PM
18	early childhood program - satisfied, but romper room progam - unsatisfied (only run in the colder months, maybe beginning in Nov or Dec to ensure other parents will be there; have more things for the kids to do - ask for donations if you don't have budget to buy; charge \$1 vs \$2 per child - use the morton indoor play as your benchmark, they have a much nicer facility and it is cheaper	Dec 19, 2011 12:19 PM
19	Tumbling/Elite Cheer is very disorganized and Tabitha has a poor reputation for promoting favoritism. Also, teenage instructors do not take their jobs seriously.	Dec 14, 2011 1:46 PM
20	We use Five Points for fitness. We do use the swimming pool. Where is that listed here? I think if you had a question at the end about what people think it would be a bettere survey. The one thing I think that would improve the Park District programs is connecting better with Five Points. It is confusing to the communitih with two different ways to work out, swim, etc.	Dec 14, 2011 6:48 AM
21	The youth soccer program could use a bit better organization. (And why on earth are you advertising Happy Feet in your catalog???)	Dec 14, 2011 6:09 AM
22	Soccer at the office building	Dec 13, 2011 9:28 AM
23	would love to see a triathlon, another 5K and a 10K in the fall	Dec 9, 2011 8:05 PM
24	Elite is a joke.	Dec 9, 2011 6:10 AM
25	I would love to see major renovations of the soccer fields at Oak Ridge. We really need a soccer complex like Morton and East Peoria have and an indoor faciity - imagine the revenue soccer tournaments would bring in!	Dec 9, 2011 5:40 AM
26	Elite cheer is total chaos. Unexceptable for the amount of money being charged on a monthly basis. Needs to be organized and professional.	Dec 5, 2011 12:14 PM

## Cross Tab - School Age Children

### Washington Park District - Comp Plan



#### 1. On average, how often do you visit a Washington Park District Facility?

	Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Children (6-12)		Response Totals
	1	2	
Very Often (3 or more times / week)	23.2% (13)	26.2% (11)	24.5% (24)
Often (1-2 Times per week)	23.2% (13)	<b>33.3%</b> <b>(14)</b>	27.6% (27)
Sometimes	<b>35.7%</b> <b>(20)</b>	<b>33.3%</b> <b>(14)</b>	<b>34.7%</b> <b>(34)</b>
Seldom	17.9% (10)	7.1% (3)	13.3% (13)
Never	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)
<b>answered question</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>98</b>
	<b>skipped question</b>		<b>0</b>

Page 3, Q6. On a scale of 1-5 with 1 being most interested, please tell us how interested you and your family would be in the following potential programs:

1	An indoor soccer program would be great way to let the kids keep their skills up.	Dec 27, 2011 10:16 AM
2	Teach more crafts	Dec 23, 2011 9:50 AM
3	my husband wants raquetball courts.	Dec 21, 2011 11:52 AM
4	Grow the organized soccer program and indoor soccer.	Dec 19, 2011 8:34 PM
5	Very interested in Theater performances. Especially for the 6 to 13 age group.	Dec 9, 2011 6:53 AM
6	Indoor soccer complex.	Dec 9, 2011 6:10 AM

Page 5, Q8. What is the best way for the Washington Park District to communicate with you?

1	Secondarily, website and email	Jan 4, 2012 7:26 AM
2	Facebook, Twitter - paperless- text if possible	Dec 21, 2011 10:09 AM
3	Facebook	Dec 20, 2011 8:12 AM
4	facebook	Dec 20, 2011 5:03 AM
5	Facebook	Dec 19, 2011 9:11 PM
6	Facebook	Dec 19, 2011 7:54 PM
7	facebook	Dec 14, 2011 1:47 PM
8	twitter	Dec 5, 2011 12:14 PM



**2. Which Washington Park District Facilities have you or your family visited in the last 12 months and how satisfied were you with the facilities?**

		Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Children (6-12)		
		1	2	Response Totals
Recreation Center / Park (Spruce St.)	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	14.3% (7)	11.4% (4)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	57.1% (28)	60.0% (21)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	8.2% (4)	14.3% (5)	
	Did Not Visit	20.4% (10)	14.3% (5)	
		49	35	84
Washington Park (Lincoln St.)	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	36.0% (18)	40.0% (16)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	50.0% (25)	45.0% (18)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	0.0% (0)	5.0% (2)	
	Did Not Visit	14.0% (7)	10.0% (4)	
		50	40	90
Oak Ridge Park	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	18.8% (9)	25.6% (10)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	35.4% (17)	35.9% (14)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	10.4% (5)	12.8% (5)	

	Did Not Visit	35.4% (17)	25.6% (10)	
		48	39	87
Meadow Valley Park	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	2.3% (1)	9.7% (3)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	11.6% (5)	22.6% (7)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	9.3% (4)	3.2% (1)	
	Did Not Visit	76.7% (33)	64.5% (20)	
		43	31	74
Bowen Lake Park	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	8.7% (4)	9.4% (3)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	15.2% (7)	12.5% (4)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	4.3% (2)	3.1% (1)	
	Did Not Visit	71.7% (33)	75.0% (24)	
		46	32	78
Birchwood Park	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	0.0% (0)	6.7% (2)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	14.6% (6)	10.0% (3)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	Did Not Visit	85.4% (35)	83.3% (25)	
		41	30	71
Candlewood Park	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	4.8% (2)	3.3% (1)	

	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	11.9% (5)	10.0% (3)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	2.4% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	<b>81.0%</b> <b>(34)</b>	<b>86.7%</b> <b>(26)</b>	
		42	30	72
Grant Park	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	2.4% (1)	6.9% (2)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	2.4% (1)	6.9% (2)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	<b>95.2%</b> <b>(40)</b>	<b>86.2%</b> <b>(25)</b>	
		42	29	71
Harry LaHood Park	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	<b>37.8%</b> <b>(17)</b>	<b>42.1%</b> <b>(16)</b>	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	24.4% (11)	18.4% (7)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	4.4% (2)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	33.3% (15)	39.5% (15)	
		45	38	83
Sweitzer Park	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	4.8% (2)	6.7% (2)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	9.5% (4)	6.7% (2)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	2.4% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	<b>83.3%</b> <b>(35)</b>	<b>86.7%</b> <b>(26)</b>	

		42	30	72
Weaver Park	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	2.5% (1)	6.7% (2)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	2.5% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	<b>95.0%</b> <b>(38)</b>	<b>93.3%</b> <b>(28)</b>	
		40	30	70
Westgate Park / Pool	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	<b>48.0%</b> <b>(24)</b>	<b>37.8%</b> <b>(14)</b>	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	26.0% (13)	29.7% (11)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	2.7% (1)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	26.0% (13)	29.7% (11)	
		50	37	87
Recreation Trail	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	32.6% (14)	<b>34.4%</b> <b>(11)</b>	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	23.3% (10)	<b>34.4%</b> <b>(11)</b>	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	2.3% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	<b>41.9%</b> <b>(18)</b>	31.3% (10)	
		43	32	75
	Other / Comments:	8 replies	7 replies	15
	<b>answered question</b>	55	42	<b>97</b>
			<b>skipped question</b>	<b>1</b>

**3. Which of the following most closely describes your opinion about park development (presume that no new sources of revenue are sought)?**

	Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Children (6-12)		Response Totals
	1	2	
We need to preserve more open space by acquiring land	16.7% (9)	7.1% (3)	12.5% (12)
We need to develop our existing parks that do not have amenities currently	25.9% (14)	33.3% (14)	29.2% (28)
We need to update our existing parks with current / new amenities	<b>37.0%</b> <b>(20)</b>	<b>50.0%</b> <b>(21)</b>	<b>42.7%</b> <b>(41)</b>
We need to maintain what we have better	20.4% (11)	9.5% (4)	15.6% (15)
Additional Comments:	4 replies	2 replies	6
<b>answered question</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>96</b>
		<b>skipped question</b>	<b>2</b>

**4. On a scale of 1-5 with 1 being most important, please tell us how important the following potential improvements to facilities would be to you and your family:**

		Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Children (6-12)		Response Totals
		1	2	
Multi-purpose Trails	1	<b>30.4%</b> <b>(17)</b>	<b>43.6%</b> <b>(17)</b>	95
	2	25.0% (14)	10.3% (4)	
	3	28.6% (16)	35.9% (14)	
	4	7.1% (4)	2.6% (1)	
	5	8.9% (5)	7.7% (3)	
			<b>56</b>	
Hiking Trails	1	25.5% (14)	<b>28.2%</b> <b>(11)</b>	94
	2	14.5% (8)	20.5% (8)	
	3	<b>30.9%</b> <b>(17)</b>	<b>28.2%</b> <b>(11)</b>	
	4	16.4% (9)	10.3% (4)	
	5	12.7% (7)	12.8% (5)	
		<b>55</b>	<b>39</b>	
Trail signs / Mile Markers	1	20.0% (11)	20.5% (8)	

	2	20.0% (11)	17.9% (7)	
	3	<b>25.5%</b> <b>(14)</b>	<b>30.8%</b> <b>(12)</b>	
	4	21.8% (12)	10.3% (4)	
	5	12.7% (7)	20.5% (8)	
		55	39	94
Skate Park	1	14.5% (8)	5.4% (2)	
	2	10.9% (6)	10.8% (4)	
	3	20.0% (11)	13.5% (5)	
	4	14.5% (8)	10.8% (4)	
	5	<b>40.0%</b> <b>(22)</b>	<b>59.5%</b> <b>(22)</b>	
		55	37	92
Dog Park	1	8.9% (5)	7.9% (3)	
	2	14.3% (8)	10.5% (4)	
	3	14.3% (8)	18.4% (7)	
	4	10.7% (6)	18.4% (7)	
	5	<b>51.8%</b> <b>(29)</b>	<b>44.7%</b> <b>(17)</b>	
		56	38	94
Outdoor Basketball Courts	1	14.5% (8)	13.2% (5)	

	2	20.0% (11)	18.4% (7)	
	3	<b>23.6%</b> <b>(13)</b>	<b>28.9%</b> <b>(11)</b>	
	4	21.8% (12)	21.1% (8)	
	5	20.0% (11)	18.4% (7)	
		55	38	93
Indoor Basketball Courts	1	<b>21.8%</b> <b>(12)</b>	<b>23.7%</b> <b>(9)</b>	
	2	<b>21.8%</b> <b>(12)</b>	18.4% (7)	
	3	<b>21.8%</b> <b>(12)</b>	18.4% (7)	
	4	14.5% (8)	15.8% (6)	
	5	20.0% (11)	<b>23.7%</b> <b>(9)</b>	
		55	38	93
Improved Softball / Baseball Fields	1	<b>27.3%</b> <b>(15)</b>	<b>25.6%</b> <b>(10)</b>	
	2	12.7% (7)	20.5% (8)	
	3	20.0% (11)	20.5% (8)	
	4	14.5% (8)	12.8% (5)	
	5	25.5% (14)	20.5% (8)	
		55	39	94

Batting Cages	1	23.6% (13)	<b>33.3%</b> <b>(13)</b>	
	2	18.2% (10)	15.4% (6)	
	3	14.5% (8)	15.4% (6)	
	4	18.2% (10)	15.4% (6)	
	5	<b>25.5%</b> <b>(14)</b>	20.5% (8)	
		55	39	94
Improved Parking	1	18.5% (10)	23.1% (9)	
	2	20.4% (11)	<b>30.8%</b> <b>(12)</b>	
	3	<b>27.8%</b> <b>(15)</b>	23.1% (9)	
	4	14.8% (8)	10.3% (4)	
	5	18.5% (10)	12.8% (5)	
		54	39	93
Recreation Facility Improvements / Renovations	1	26.8% (15)	22.2% (8)	
	2	<b>35.7%</b> <b>(20)</b>	<b>36.1%</b> <b>(13)</b>	
	3	19.6% (11)	19.4% (7)	
	4	8.9% (5)	13.9% (5)	
	5	8.9% (5)	8.3% (3)	
		56	36	92

Pool Improvements / Updates	1	19.6% (11)	19.5% (8)	
	2	<b>32.1%</b> <b>(18)</b>	<b>34.1%</b> <b>(14)</b>	
	3	14.3% (8)	29.3% (12)	
	4	19.6% (11)	12.2% (5)	
	5	14.3% (8)	4.9% (2)	
		56	41	97
Natural Area Enhancements	1	21.8% (12)	0.0% (0)	
	2	<b>27.3%</b> <b>(15)</b>	18.9% (7)	
	3	16.4% (9)	<b>32.4%</b> <b>(12)</b>	
	4	18.2% (10)	18.9% (7)	
	5	16.4% (9)	29.7% (11)	
		55	37	92
Fishing Amenities / Enhancements	1	9.3% (5)	7.9% (3)	
	2	29.6% (16)	23.7% (9)	
	3	13.0% (7)	21.1% (8)	
	4	11.1% (6)	18.4% (7)	
	5	<b>37.0%</b> <b>(20)</b>	<b>28.9%</b> <b>(11)</b>	

		54	38	92
Picnic Shelters & Amenities	1	12.7% (7)	10.0% (4)	
	2	20.0% (11)	20.0% (8)	
	3	<b>41.8%</b> <b>(23)</b>	<b>45.0%</b> <b>(18)</b>	
	4	12.7% (7)	15.0% (6)	
	5	12.7% (7)	10.0% (4)	
		55	40	95
Teen Activities (Paintball / Challenge Course)	1	25.0% (14)	10.0% (4)	
	2	14.3% (8)	<b>32.5%</b> <b>(13)</b>	
	3	<b>30.4%</b> <b>(17)</b>	20.0% (8)	
	4	10.7% (6)	12.5% (5)	
	5	19.6% (11)	25.0% (10)	
		56	40	96
Landscape Improvements / Enhancements	1	5.5% (3)	2.5% (1)	
	2	16.4% (9)	20.0% (8)	
	3	27.3% (15)	<b>32.5%</b> <b>(13)</b>	
	4	<b>32.7%</b> <b>(18)</b>	17.5% (7)	
	5	18.2% (10)	27.5% (11)	

		55	40	95
Indoor Artificial Turf Field	1	20.4% (11)	<b>37.5%</b> <b>(15)</b>	
	2	11.1% (6)	5.0% (2)	
	3	9.3% (5)	12.5% (5)	
	4	11.1% (6)	15.0% (6)	
	5	<b>48.1%</b> <b>(26)</b>	30.0% (12)	
		54	40	94
Outdoor Artificial Turf Field	1	13.0% (7)	10.3% (4)	
	2	5.6% (3)	7.7% (3)	
	3	14.8% (8)	12.8% (5)	
	4	16.7% (9)	23.1% (9)	
	5	<b>50.0%</b> <b>(27)</b>	<b>46.2%</b> <b>(18)</b>	
		54	39	93
Outdoor Amphitheater	1	7.4% (4)	7.9% (3)	
	2	20.4% (11)	7.9% (3)	
	3	<b>31.5%</b> <b>(17)</b>	28.9% (11)	
	4	24.1% (13)	13.2% (5)	

	5	16.7% (9)	<b>42.1%</b> <b>(16)</b>	
		54	38	92
Outdoor In Line / Ice Skating Rink	1	23.6% (13)	25.6% (10)	
	2	14.5% (8)	12.8% (5)	
	3	<b>29.1%</b> <b>(16)</b>	23.1% (9)	
	4	10.9% (6)	2.6% (1)	
	5	21.8% (12)	<b>35.9%</b> <b>(14)</b>	
		55	39	94
Other / Comments:		3 replies	10 replies	13
<b>answered question</b>		56	42	<b>98</b>
			<b>skipped question</b>	<b>0</b>

5. In what recreation programs have you or your family participated over the last 12 months and how satisfied were you with the program?				
		Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Children (6-12)		
		1	2	Response Totals
Facilities Rental (Birthday / Shelter)	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	4.1% (2)	15.4% (6)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	24.5% (12)	41.0% (16)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	Did Not Participate	<b>71.4%</b> <b>(35)</b>	<b>43.6%</b> <b>(17)</b>	
		49	39	88
Special Events (Races / Festivals / Trips)	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	17.6% (9)	15.8% (6)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	21.6% (11)	36.8% (14)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	0.0% (0)	5.3% (2)	
	Did Not Participate	<b>60.8%</b> <b>(31)</b>	<b>42.1%</b> <b>(16)</b>	
		51	38	89
Adult Fitness & Dance	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	0.0% (0)	2.7% (1)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	8.5% (4)	5.4% (2)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	2.1% (1)	0.0% (0)	

	<b>Did Not Participate</b>	<b>89.4%</b> <b>(42)</b>	<b>91.9%</b> <b>(34)</b>	
		47	37	84
Adult Arts & Crafts	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	2.1% (1)	2.7% (1)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	4.3% (2)	5.4% (2)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Participate</b>	<b>93.6%</b> <b>(44)</b>	<b>91.9%</b> <b>(34)</b>	
		47	37	84
Adult Athletics	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	5.6% (2)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	10.6% (5)	11.1% (4)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Participate</b>	<b>89.4%</b> <b>(42)</b>	<b>83.3%</b> <b>(30)</b>	
		47	36	83
Youth Dance & Tumbling	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	4.1% (2)	2.6% (1)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	24.5% (12)	7.9% (3)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	12.2% (6)	13.2% (5)	
	<b>Did Not Participate</b>	<b>59.2%</b> <b>(29)</b>	<b>76.3%</b> <b>(29)</b>	
		49	38	87
Youth Arts & Crafts	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	4.1% (2)	5.3% (2)	

	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	12.2% (6)	13.2% (5)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	2.0% (1)	2.6% (1)	
	<b>Did Not Participate</b>	<b>81.6%</b> <b>(40)</b>	<b>78.9%</b> <b>(30)</b>	
		49	38	87
Youth Athletics	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	25.9% (14)	17.1% (7)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	<b>50.0%</b> <b>(27)</b>	<b>58.5%</b> <b>(24)</b>	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	11.1% (6)	12.2% (5)	
	<b>Did Not Participate</b>	13.0% (7)	12.2% (5)	
		54	41	95
	Other / Comments:	9 replies	6 replies	15
	<b>answered question</b>	55	41	96
	<b>skipped question</b>			2



6. On a scale of 1-5 with 1 being most interested, please tell us how interested you and your family would be in the following potential programs:				
		Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Children (6-12)		
		1	2	Response Totals
Theater Group / Music Performance	1	25.5% (14)	25.0% (10)	
	2	20.0% (11)	22.5% (9)	
	3	25.5% (14)	12.5% (5)	
	4	16.4% (9)	10.0% (4)	
	5	12.7% (7)	30.0% (12)	
			55	40
Laser Tag	1	16.1% (9)	25.6% (10)	
	2	23.2% (13)	23.1% (9)	
	3	23.2% (13)	17.9% (7)	
	4	16.1% (9)	10.3% (4)	
	5	21.4% (12)	23.1% (9)	
		56	39	95
Nature studies	1	16.4% (9)	10.3% (4)	

	2	7.3% (4)	17.9% (7)	
	3	34.5% (19)	28.2% (11)	
	4	18.2% (10)	15.4% (6)	
	5	23.6% (13)	28.2% (11)	
		55	39	94
Job Skills Training	1	7.4% (4)	2.6% (1)	
	2	9.3% (5)	10.3% (4)	
	3	16.7% (9)	15.4% (6)	
	4	31.5% (17)	10.3% (4)	
	5	35.2% (19)	61.5% (24)	
		54	39	93
Festivals / Events	1	27.3% (15)	22.5% (9)	
	2	25.5% (14)	30.0% (12)	
	3	23.6% (13)	25.0% (10)	
	4	14.5% (8)	5.0% (2)	
	5	9.1% (5)	17.5% (7)	
		55	40	95
Wedding / Party Rental Spaces	1	7.4% (4)	0.0% (0)	

	2	13.0% (7)	10.3% (4)	
	3	11.1% (6)	25.6% (10)	
	4	24.1% (13)	10.3% (4)	
	5	<b>44.4%</b> <b>(24)</b>	<b>53.8%</b> <b>(21)</b>	
		54	39	93
Other / Comments:		2 replies	2 replies	4
<b>answered question</b>		56	40	<b>96</b>
		<b>skipped question</b>		<b>2</b>

7. Would you support the development of interconnected multi-purpose recreation trails throughout the district?			
	Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Children (6-12)		
	1	2	Response Totals
Fully Support	<b>58.9%</b> <b>(33)</b>	<b>57.1%</b> <b>(24)</b>	<b>58.2%</b> <b>(57)</b>
Moderately Support	30.4% (17)	31.0% (13)	30.6% (30)
Do Not Support	3.6% (2)	0.0% (0)	2.0% (2)
No Opinion	7.1% (4)	11.9% (5)	9.2% (9)
<b>answered question</b>	56	42	<b>98</b>
	<b>skipped question</b>		<b>0</b>

8. What is the best way for the Washington Park District to communicate with you?			
	Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Children (6-12)		
	1	2	Response Totals
Program Guide	44.6% (25)	50.0% (21)	46.9% (46)
Website	21.4% (12)	35.7% (15)	27.6% (27)
E-mail	<b>76.8%</b> <b>(43)</b>	<b>76.2%</b> <b>(32)</b>	<b>76.5%</b> <b>(75)</b>
Direct Mail	23.2% (13)	16.7% (7)	20.4% (20)
Newspaper	14.3% (8)	7.1% (3)	11.2% (11)
Other (please specify)	1 reply (1.8%)	4 replies (9.5%)	5.1% (5)
<b>answered question</b>	56	42	<b>98</b>
	<b>skipped question</b>		<b>0</b>

**9. Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional):**

		Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Children (6-12)		
		1	2	Response Totals
Adults (65 & Up)	1	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	2	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	3	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	4	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	5	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	6	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	7	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	8	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
			0	0
Adults (31-64)	1	5.5% (3)	0.0% (0)	
	2	<b>94.5%</b> <b>(52)</b>	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(42)</b>	
	3	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	4	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	

	5	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	6	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	7	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	8	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
		55	42	96
Adults (19-30)	1	<b>80.0%</b> <b>(4)</b>	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(1)</b>	
	2	20.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	3	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	4	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	5	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	6	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	7	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	8	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
			5	1
Children (13-18)	1	<b>61.9%</b> <b>(13)</b>	<b>62.5%</b> <b>(5)</b>	
	2	28.6% (6)	37.5% (3)	
	3	9.5% (2)	0.0% (0)	

	4	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	5	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	6	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	7	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	8	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
		21	8	29
Children (6-12)	1	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(56)</b>	0.0% (0)	
	2	0.0% (0)	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(42)</b>	
	3	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	4	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	5	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	6	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	7	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	8	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
		56	42	98
Children (5& Under)	1	<b>64.7%</b> <b>(22)</b>	<b>71.4%</b> <b>(10)</b>	
	2	23.5% (8)	28.6% (4)	
		11.8%	0.0%	

	3	(4)	(0)	
	4	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	5	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	6	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	7	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	8	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
		34	14	47
	<b>answered question</b>	56	42	<b>98</b>
		<b>skipped question</b>		<b>0</b>

Cross Tab - Seniors

Washington Park District - Comp Plan



1. On average, how often do you visit a Washington Park District Facility?			
	Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Adults (65 & Up)		
	1	2	Response Totals
Very Often (3 or more times / week)	20.0% (1)	25.0% (2)	23.1% (3)
Often (1-2 Times per week)	<b>40.0%</b> <b>(2)</b>	12.5% (1)	23.1% (3)
Sometimes	<b>40.0%</b> <b>(2)</b>	25.0% (2)	<b>30.8%</b> <b>(4)</b>
Seldom	0.0% (0)	<b>37.5%</b> <b>(3)</b>	23.1% (3)
Never	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)
<b>answered question</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>13</b>
	<b>skipped question</b>		<b>0</b>

**2. Which Washington Park District Facilities have you or your family visited in the last 12 months and how satisfied were you with the facilities?**

		Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Adults (65 & Up)		
		1	2	Response Totals
Recreation Center / Park (Spruce St.)	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	50.0% (2)	25.0% (1)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	Did Not Visit	50.0% (2)	75.0% (3)	
		4	4	8
Washington Park (Lincoln St.)	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	100.0% (5)	42.9% (3)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	0.0% (0)	28.6% (2)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	0.0% (0)	14.3% (1)	
	Did Not Visit	0.0% (0)	14.3% (1)	
		5	7	12
Oak Ridge Park	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	50.0% (2)	0.0% (0)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	0.0% (0)	33.3% (1)	
	Did Not Visit			

	Did Not Visit	50.0% (2)	66.7% (2)	
		4	3	7
Meadow Valley Park	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	50.0% (2)	25.0% (1)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	Did Not Visit	50.0% (2)	75.0% (3)	
		4	4	8
Bowen Lake Park	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	50.0% (2)	0.0% (0)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	0.0% (0)	33.3% (1)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	Did Not Visit	50.0% (2)	66.7% (2)	
		4	3	7
Birchwood Park	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	0.0% (0)	33.3% (1)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	Did Not Visit	100.0% (3)	66.7% (2)	
		3	3	6
Candlewood Park	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	Did Not Visit			

	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(3)</b>	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(3)</b>	
		3	3	6
Grant Park	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(3)</b>	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(3)</b>	
		3	3	6
Harry LaHood Park	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	33.3% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	33.3% (1)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	<b>66.7%</b> <b>(2)</b>	<b>66.7%</b> <b>(2)</b>	
		3	3	6
Sweitzer Park	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	<b>66.7%</b> <b>(2)</b>	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	33.3% (1)	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(3)</b>	

		3	3	6
Weaver Park	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	33.3% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	<b>66.7%</b> <b>(2)</b>	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(3)</b>	
		3	3	6
Westgate Park / Pool	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	33.3% (1)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(3)</b>	<b>66.7%</b> <b>(2)</b>	
		3	3	6
Recreation Trail	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	<b>50.0%</b> <b>(2)</b>	25.0% (1)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	<b>50.0%</b> <b>(2)</b>	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	25.0% (1)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	0.0% (0)	<b>50.0%</b> <b>(2)</b>	
		4	4	8
	Other / Comments:	0 replies	3 replies	3
	<b>answered question</b>	5	8	13
	<b>skipped question</b>			0

**3. Which of the following most closely describes your opinion about park development (presume that no new sources of revenue are sought)?**

	Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Adults (65 & Up)		Response Totals
	1	2	
We need to preserve more open space by acquiring land	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)
We need to develop our existing parks that do not have amenities currently	0.0% (0)	20.0% (1)	10.0% (1)
We need to update our existing parks with current / new amenities	<b>60.0%</b> <b>(3)</b>	<b>40.0%</b> <b>(2)</b>	<b>50.0%</b> <b>(5)</b>
We need to maintain what we have better	40.0% (2)	<b>40.0%</b> <b>(2)</b>	40.0% (4)
Additional Comments:	0 replies	2 replies	2
<b>answered question</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>
	<b>skipped question</b>		<b>3</b>

**4. On a scale of 1-5 with 1 being most important, please tell us how important the following potential improvements to facilities would be to you and your family:**

		Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Adults (65 & Up)		Response Totals
		1	2	
Multi-purpose Trails	1	<b>40.0%</b> <b>(2)</b>	14.3% (1)	12
	2	20.0% (1)	<b>42.9%</b> <b>(3)</b>	
	3	<b>40.0%</b> <b>(2)</b>	14.3% (1)	
	4	0.0% (0)	14.3% (1)	
	5	0.0% (0)	14.3% (1)	
			<b>5</b>	
Hiking Trails	1	<b>75.0%</b> <b>(3)</b>	14.3% (1)	11
	2	0.0% (0)	<b>42.9%</b> <b>(3)</b>	
	3	25.0% (1)	14.3% (1)	
	4	0.0% (0)	14.3% (1)	
	5	0.0% (0)	14.3% (1)	
		<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	
Trail signs / Mile Markers	1	25.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	



	2	<b>50.0%</b> <b>(2)</b>	14.3% (1)	
	3	25.0% (1)	28.6% (2)	
	4	0.0% (0)	14.3% (1)	
	5	0.0% (0)	<b>42.9%</b> <b>(3)</b>	
		4	7	11
Skate Park	1	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	2	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	3	0.0% (0)	14.3% (1)	
	4	<b>50.0%</b> <b>(2)</b>	0.0% (0)	
	5	<b>50.0%</b> <b>(2)</b>	<b>85.7%</b> <b>(6)</b>	
		4	7	11
Dog Park	1	<b>40.0%</b> <b>(2)</b>	0.0% (0)	
	2	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	3	0.0% (0)	14.3% (1)	
	4	20.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	5	<b>40.0%</b> <b>(2)</b>	<b>85.7%</b> <b>(6)</b>	
		5	7	12
Outdoor Basketball Courts	1	0.0% (0)	14.3% (1)	

	2	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	3	25.0% (1)	14.3% (1)	
	4	<b>50.0%</b> <b>(2)</b>	0.0% (0)	
	5	25.0% (1)	<b>71.4%</b> <b>(5)</b>	
		4	7	11
Indoor Basketball Courts	1	0.0% (0)	14.3% (1)	
	2	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	3	25.0% (1)	14.3% (1)	
	4	<b>50.0%</b> <b>(2)</b>	0.0% (0)	
	5	25.0% (1)	<b>71.4%</b> <b>(5)</b>	
		4	7	11
Improved Softball / Baseball Fields	1	25.0% (1)	14.3% (1)	
	2	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	3	<b>50.0%</b> <b>(2)</b>	0.0% (0)	
	4	25.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	5	0.0% (0)	<b>85.7%</b> <b>(6)</b>	
		4	7	11

Batting Cages	1	50.0% (2)	0.0% (0)	
	2	0.0% (0)	14.3% (1)	
	3	25.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	4	25.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	5	0.0% (0)	85.7% (6)	
		4	7	11
Improved Parking	1	50.0% (2)	0.0% (0)	
	2	0.0% (0)	14.3% (1)	
	3	25.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	4	25.0% (1)	14.3% (1)	
	5	0.0% (0)	71.4% (5)	
		4	7	11
Recreation Facility Improvements / Renovations	1	25.0% (1)	14.3% (1)	
	2	25.0% (1)	28.6% (2)	
	3	25.0% (1)	14.3% (1)	
	4	25.0% (1)	14.3% (1)	
	5	0.0% (0)	28.6% (2)	
		4	7	11

Pool Improvements / Updates	1	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	2	0.0% (0)	14.3% (1)	
	3	50.0% (2)	14.3% (1)	
	4	25.0% (1)	14.3% (1)	
	5	25.0% (1)	57.1% (4)	
		4	7	11
Natural Area Enhancements	1	25.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	2	25.0% (1)	28.6% (2)	
	3	25.0% (1)	28.6% (2)	
	4	25.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	5	0.0% (0)	42.9% (3)	
		4	7	11
Fishing Amenities / Enhancements	1	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	2	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	3	25.0% (1)	28.6% (2)	
	4	50.0% (2)	14.3% (1)	
	5	25.0% (1)	57.1% (4)	
		4	7	11

		4	7	11
Picnic Shelters & Amenities	1	50.0% (2)	57.1% (4)	
	2	0.0% (0)	28.6% (2)	
	3	25.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	4	25.0% (1)	14.3% (1)	
	5	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
		4	7	11
Teen Activities (Paintball / Challenge Course)	1	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	2	50.0% (2)	28.6% (2)	
	3	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	4	50.0% (2)	28.6% (2)	
	5	0.0% (0)	42.9% (3)	
		4	7	11
Landscape Improvements / Enhancements	1	25.0% (1)	14.3% (1)	
	2	25.0% (1)	28.6% (2)	
	3	25.0% (1)	14.3% (1)	
	4	25.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	5	0.0% (0)	42.9% (3)	

		4	7	11
Indoor Artificial Turf Field	1	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	2	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	3	25.0% (1)	14.3% (1)	
	4	50.0% (2)	0.0% (0)	
	5	25.0% (1)	85.7% (6)	
		4	7	11
Outdoor Artificial Turf Field	1	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	2	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	3	25.0% (1)	14.3% (1)	
	4	50.0% (2)	0.0% (0)	
	5	25.0% (1)	85.7% (6)	
		4	7	11
Outdoor Amphitheater	1	75.0% (3)	0.0% (0)	
	2	0.0% (0)	57.1% (4)	
	3	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	4	25.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	
			0.0%	42.9%

	5	(0)	(3)	
		4	7	11
Outdoor In Line / Ice Skating Rink	1	25.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	2	0.0% (0)	28.6% (2)	
	3	25.0% (1)	14.3% (1)	
	4	25.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	5	25.0% (1)	57.1% (4)	
		4	7	11
Other / Comments:		0 replies	1 reply	1
<b>answered question</b>		5	7	12
			<b>skipped question</b>	1

5. In what recreation programs have you or your family participated over the last 12 months and how satisfied were you with the program?				
		Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Adults (65 & Up)		
		1	2	Response Totals
Facilities Rental (Birthday / Shelter)	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	0.0% (0)	14.3% (1)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	33.3% (1)	14.3% (1)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	Did Not Participate	66.7% (2)	71.4% (5)	
		3	7	10
Special Events (Races / Festivals / Trips)	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	66.7% (2)	0.0% (0)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	33.3% (1)	16.7% (1)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	Did Not Participate	0.0% (0)	83.3% (5)	
		3	6	9
Adult Fitness & Dance	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	33.3% (1)	16.7% (1)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	

	<b>Did Not Participate</b>	<b>66.7%</b> <b>(2)</b>	<b>83.3%</b> <b>(5)</b>	
		3	6	9
Adult Arts & Crafts	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	33.3% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Participate</b>	<b>66.7%</b> <b>(2)</b>	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(6)</b>	
		3	6	9
Adult Athletics	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Participate</b>	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(3)</b>	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(6)</b>	
		3	6	9
Youth Dance & Tumbling	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Participate</b>	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(3)</b>	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(6)</b>	
		3	6	9
Youth Arts & Crafts	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	

	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Participate</b>	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(3)</b>	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(6)</b>	
		3	6	9
Youth Athletics	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Participate</b>	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(3)</b>	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(6)</b>	
		3	6	9
	Other / Comments:	1 reply	2 replies	3
	<b>answered question</b>	3	7	10
	<b>skipped question</b>			3

**6. On a scale of 1-5 with 1 being most interested, please tell us how interested you and your family would be in the following potential programs:**

		Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Adults (65 & Up)		
		1	2	Response Totals
Theater Group / Music Performance	1	50.0% (2)	33.3% (2)	
	2	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	3	25.0% (1)	16.7% (1)	
	4	25.0% (1)	33.3% (2)	
	5	0.0% (0)	16.7% (1)	
			4	6
Laser Tag	1	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	2	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	3	25.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	4	0.0% (0)	16.7% (1)	
	5	75.0% (3)	83.3% (5)	
			4	6
Nature studies	1	50.0% (2)	33.3% (2)	

	2	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	3	25.0% (1)	16.7% (1)	
	4	0.0% (0)	33.3% (2)	
	5	25.0% (1)	16.7% (1)	
		4	6	10
Job Skills Training	1	25.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	2	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	3	25.0% (1)	16.7% (1)	
	4	0.0% (0)	50.0% (3)	
	5	50.0% (2)	33.3% (2)	
			4	6
Festivals / Events	1	50.0% (2)	42.9% (3)	
	2	25.0% (1)	28.6% (2)	
	3	25.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	4	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	5	0.0% (0)	28.6% (2)	
			4	7
Wedding / Party Rental Spaces	1	25.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	

	2	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)
	3	0.0% (0)	16.7% (1)
	4	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)
	5	75.0% (3)	83.3% (5)
		4	6
Other / Comments:		0 replies	1 reply
<b>answered question</b>		4	7
		<b>skipped question</b>	
			10
			1
			11
			2

7. Would you support the development of interconnected multi-purpose recreation trails throughout the district?			
	Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Adults (65 & Up)		
	1	2	Response Totals
Fully Support	100.0% (5)	25.0% (2)	53.8% (7)
Moderately Support	0.0% (0)	25.0% (2)	15.4% (2)
Do Not Support	0.0% (0)	12.5% (1)	7.7% (1)
No Opinion	0.0% (0)	37.5% (3)	23.1% (3)
<b>answered question</b>	5	8	13
		<b>skipped question</b>	
			0

8. What is the best way for the Washington Park District to communicate with you?			
	Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Adults (65 & Up)		
	1	2	Response Totals
Program Guide	0.0% (0)	37.5% (3)	23.1% (3)
Website	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)
E-mail	60.0% (3)	62.5% (5)	61.5% (8)
Direct Mail	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)
Newspaper	40.0% (2)	37.5% (3)	38.5% (5)
Other (please specify)	0 replies (0.0%)	0 replies (0.0%)	0.0% (0)
<b>answered question</b>	5	8	13
		<b>skipped question</b>	
			0

**9. Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional):**

		Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Adults (65 & Up)		
		1	2	Response Totals
Adults (65 & Up)	1	100.0% (5)	0.0% (0)	
	2	0.0% (0)	100.0% (8)	
	3	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	4	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	5	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	6	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	7	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	8	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
			5	8
Adults (31-64)	1	100.0% (1)	100.0% (1)	
	2	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	3	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	4	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	

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	5	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	6	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	7	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	8	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
		1	1	2
Adults (19-30)	1	100.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	2	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	3	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	4	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	5	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	6	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	7	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	8	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
			1	0
Children (13-18)	1	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	2	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	3	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	



	<b>4</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>5</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>6</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>7</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>8</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Children (6-12)	<b>1</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>2</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>3</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>4</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>5</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>6</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>7</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>8</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Children (5& Under)	<b>1</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>2</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
		0.0%	0.0%	

	<b>3</b>	(0)	(0)	
	<b>4</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>5</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>6</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>7</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>8</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>answered question</b>		<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>13</b>
		<b>skipped question</b>		<b>0</b>



1. On average, how often do you visit a Washington Park District Facility?			
	Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Children (13-18)		
	1	2	Response Totals
Very Often (3 or more times / week)	5.7% (2)	25.0% (5)	12.7% (7)
Often (1-2 Times per week)	34.3% (12)	20.0% (4)	29.1% (16)
Sometimes	<b>42.9%</b> <b>(15)</b>	25.0% (5)	<b>36.4%</b> <b>(20)</b>
Seldom	17.1% (6)	<b>30.0%</b> <b>(6)</b>	21.8% (12)
Never	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)
<b>answered question</b>	35	20	<b>55</b>
	<b>skipped question</b>		<b>0</b>

**2. Which Washington Park District Facilities have you or your family visited in the last 12 months and how satisfied were you with the facilities?**

		Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Children (13-18)		
		1	2	Response Totals
Recreation Center / Park (Spruce St.)	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	10.0% (3)	11.1% (2)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	50.0% (15)	50.0% (9)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	16.7% (5)	11.1% (2)	
	Did Not Visit	23.3% (7)	27.8% (5)	
		30	18	48
Washington Park (Lincoln St.)	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	29.4% (10)	30.0% (6)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	44.1% (15)	50.0% (10)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	5.9% (2)	5.0% (1)	
	Did Not Visit	20.6% (7)	15.0% (3)	
		34	20	54
Oak Ridge Park	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	10.7% (3)	11.1% (2)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	32.1% (9)	33.3% (6)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	17.9% (5)	16.7% (3)	
	Did Not Visit			

	Did Not Visit	39.3% (11)	38.9% (7)	
		28	18	46
Meadow Valley Park	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	8.3% (2)	6.3% (1)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	12.5% (3)	18.8% (3)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	0.0% (0)	12.5% (2)	
	Did Not Visit	79.2% (19)	62.5% (10)	
		24	16	40
Bowen Lake Park	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	23.1% (6)	10.5% (2)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	15.4% (4)	26.3% (5)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	0.0% (0)	5.3% (1)	
	Did Not Visit	61.5% (16)	57.9% (11)	
		26	19	45
Birchwood Park	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	4.3% (1)	5.9% (1)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	0.0% (0)	5.9% (1)	
	Did Not Visit	95.7% (22)	88.2% (15)	
		23	17	40
Candlewood Park	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	8.3% (2)	5.6% (1)	
	Did Not Visit			

	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	8.3% (2)	5.6% (1)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	4.2% (1)	5.6% (1)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	<b>79.2%</b> <b>(19)</b>	<b>83.3%</b> <b>(15)</b>	
		24	18	42
Grant Park	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	4.2% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	12.5% (2)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	<b>95.8%</b> <b>(23)</b>	<b>87.5%</b> <b>(14)</b>	
		24	16	40
Harry LaHood Park	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	20.0% (5)	16.7% (3)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	20.0% (5)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	5.6% (1)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	<b>60.0%</b> <b>(15)</b>	<b>77.8%</b> <b>(14)</b>	
		25	18	43
Sweitzer Park	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	5.9% (1)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(24)</b>	<b>94.1%</b> <b>(16)</b>	

		24	17	41
Weaver Park	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	5.9% (1)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(23)</b>	<b>94.1%</b> <b>(16)</b>	
		23	17	40
Westgate Park / Pool	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	32.1% (9)	<b>42.1%</b> <b>(8)</b>	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	25.0% (7)	21.1% (4)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	<b>42.9%</b> <b>(12)</b>	36.8% (7)	
		28	19	47
Recreation Trail	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	20.0% (5)	23.5% (4)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	28.0% (7)	29.4% (5)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	5.9% (1)	
	<b>Did Not Visit</b>	<b>52.0%</b> <b>(13)</b>	<b>41.2%</b> <b>(7)</b>	
		25	17	42
	Other / Comments:	5 replies	3 replies	8
	<b>answered question</b>	35	20	<b>55</b>
	<b>skipped question</b>			<b>0</b>

**3. Which of the following most closely describes your opinion about park development (presume that no new sources of revenue are sought)?**

	Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Children (13-18)		Response Totals
	1	2	
We need to preserve more open space by acquiring land	11.4% (4)	15.8% (3)	13.0% (7)
We need to develop our existing parks that do not have amenities currently	28.6% (10)	26.3% (5)	27.8% (15)
We need to update our existing parks with current / new amenities	<b>45.7%</b> <b>(16)</b>	<b>31.6%</b> <b>(6)</b>	<b>40.7%</b> <b>(22)</b>
We need to maintain what we have better	14.3% (5)	26.3% (5)	18.5% (10)
Additional Comments:	1 reply	2 replies	3
<b>answered question</b>	35	19	<b>54</b>
<b>skipped question</b>			<b>1</b>

**4. On a scale of 1-5 with 1 being most important, please tell us how important the following potential improvements to facilities would be to you and your family:**

		Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Children (13-18)		Response Totals
		1	2	
Multi-purpose Trails	1	<b>44.1%</b> <b>(15)</b>	<b>47.4%</b> <b>(9)</b>	53
	2	11.8% (4)	21.1% (4)	
	3	23.5% (8)	15.8% (3)	
	4	8.8% (3)	5.3% (1)	
	5	11.8% (4)	10.5% (2)	
			34	
Hiking Trails	1	<b>30.3%</b> <b>(10)</b>	<b>36.8%</b> <b>(7)</b>	52
	2	9.1% (3)	15.8% (3)	
	3	<b>30.3%</b> <b>(10)</b>	<b>36.8%</b> <b>(7)</b>	
	4	12.1% (4)	5.3% (1)	
	5	18.2% (6)	5.3% (1)	
		33	19	
Trail signs / Mile Markers	1	18.2% (6)	15.8% (3)	

	2	<b>27.3%</b> <b>(9)</b>	<b>26.3%</b> <b>(5)</b>	
	3	21.2% (7)	<b>26.3%</b> <b>(5)</b>	
	4	15.2% (5)	21.1% (4)	
	5	18.2% (6)	10.5% (2)	
		33	19	52
Skate Park	1	20.6% (7)	5.3% (1)	
	2	5.9% (2)	15.8% (3)	
	3	17.6% (6)	<b>36.8%</b> <b>(7)</b>	
	4	8.8% (3)	26.3% (5)	
	5	<b>47.1%</b> <b>(16)</b>	15.8% (3)	
		34	19	53
Dog Park	1	17.1% (6)	10.5% (2)	
	2	14.3% (5)	10.5% (2)	
	3	17.1% (6)	31.6% (6)	
	4	17.1% (6)	10.5% (2)	
	5	<b>34.3%</b> <b>(12)</b>	<b>36.8%</b> <b>(7)</b>	
		35	19	54
Outdoor Basketball Courts	1	20.6% (7)	0.0% (0)	

	2	14.7% (5)	<b>38.9%</b> <b>(7)</b>	
	3	<b>26.5%</b> <b>(9)</b>	27.8% (5)	
	4	11.8% (4)	22.2% (4)	
	5	<b>26.5%</b> <b>(9)</b>	11.1% (2)	
		34	18	52
Indoor Basketball Courts	1	21.2% (7)	0.0% (0)	
	2	18.2% (6)	<b>35.3%</b> <b>(6)</b>	
	3	21.2% (7)	29.4% (5)	
	4	15.2% (5)	17.6% (3)	
	5	<b>24.2%</b> <b>(8)</b>	17.6% (3)	
		33	17	50
Improved Softball / Baseball Fields	1	<b>29.4%</b> <b>(10)</b>	<b>31.6%</b> <b>(6)</b>	
	2	11.8% (4)	10.5% (2)	
	3	23.5% (8)	21.1% (4)	
	4	11.8% (4)	5.3% (1)	
	5	23.5% (8)	<b>31.6%</b> <b>(6)</b>	
		34	19	53

Batting Cages				
1	<b>26.5%</b> <b>(9)</b>	<b>31.6%</b> <b>(6)</b>		
2	11.8% (4)	21.1% (4)		
3	20.6% (7)	10.5% (2)		
4	17.6% (6)	5.3% (1)		
5	23.5% (8)	<b>31.6%</b> <b>(6)</b>		
		34	19	53
Improved Parking				
1	25.0% (8)	22.2% (4)		
2	<b>31.3%</b> <b>(10)</b>	22.2% (4)		
3	25.0% (8)	<b>33.3%</b> <b>(6)</b>		
4	9.4% (3)	16.7% (3)		
5	9.4% (3)	5.6% (1)		
		32	18	50
Recreation Facility Improvements / Renovations				
1	25.7% (9)	11.1% (2)		
2	<b>42.9%</b> <b>(15)</b>	<b>55.6%</b> <b>(10)</b>		
3	17.1% (6)	27.8% (5)		
4	2.9% (1)	0.0% (0)		
5	11.4% (4)	5.6% (1)		
		35	18	53

Pool Improvements / Updates				
1	14.7% (5)	10.5% (2)		
2	<b>26.5%</b> <b>(9)</b>	<b>36.8%</b> <b>(7)</b>		
3	23.5% (8)	21.1% (4)		
4	<b>26.5%</b> <b>(9)</b>	21.1% (4)		
5	8.8% (3)	10.5% (2)		
		34	19	53
Natural Area Enhancements				
1	22.9% (8)	0.0% (0)		
2	11.4% (4)	<b>42.1%</b> <b>(8)</b>		
3	<b>28.6%</b> <b>(10)</b>	36.8% (7)		
4	17.1% (6)	10.5% (2)		
5	20.0% (7)	10.5% (2)		
		35	19	54
Fishing Amenities / Enhancements				
1	12.1% (4)	0.0% (0)		
2	21.2% (7)	<b>44.4%</b> <b>(8)</b>		
3	18.2% (6)	38.9% (7)		
4	18.2% (6)	0.0% (0)		
5	<b>30.3%</b> <b>(10)</b>	16.7% (3)		

		33	18	51
Picnic Shelters & Amenities	1	14.7% (5)	5.6% (1)	
	2	17.6% (6)	<b>44.4%</b> <b>(8)</b>	
	3	<b>32.4%</b> <b>(11)</b>	38.9% (7)	
	4	17.6% (6)	5.6% (1)	
	5	17.6% (6)	5.6% (1)	
		34	18	52
Teen Activities (Paintball / Challenge Course)	1	<b>31.4%</b> <b>(11)</b>	<b>36.8%</b> <b>(7)</b>	
	2	22.9% (8)	21.1% (4)	
	3	17.1% (6)	21.1% (4)	
	4	17.1% (6)	10.5% (2)	
	5	11.4% (4)	10.5% (2)	
		35	19	54
Landscape Improvements / Enhancements	1	14.7% (5)	5.6% (1)	
	2	5.9% (2)	16.7% (3)	
	3	17.6% (6)	<b>38.9%</b> <b>(7)</b>	
	4	<b>35.3%</b> <b>(12)</b>	11.1% (2)	
	5	26.5% (9)	27.8% (5)	

		34	18	52
Indoor Artificial Turf Field	1	27.3% (9)	17.6% (3)	
	2	9.1% (3)	17.6% (3)	
	3	3.0% (1)	23.5% (4)	
	4	18.2% (6)	5.9% (1)	
	5	<b>42.4%</b> <b>(14)</b>	<b>35.3%</b> <b>(6)</b>	
		33	17	50
Outdoor Artificial Turf Field	1	12.1% (4)	11.8% (2)	
	2	12.1% (4)	23.5% (4)	
	3	6.1% (2)	23.5% (4)	
	4	21.2% (7)	5.9% (1)	
	5	<b>48.5%</b> <b>(16)</b>	<b>35.3%</b> <b>(6)</b>	
		33	17	50
Outdoor Amphitheater	1	11.8% (4)	12.5% (2)	
	2	8.8% (3)	18.8% (3)	
	3	20.6% (7)	<b>37.5%</b> <b>(6)</b>	
	4	26.5% (9)	18.8% (3)	



	5	32.4% (11)	12.5% (2)	
		34	16	50
Outdoor In Line / Ice Skating Rink	1	21.2% (7)	5.6% (1)	
	2	9.1% (3)	22.2% (4)	
	3	27.3% (9)	50.0% (9)	
	4	12.1% (4)	11.1% (2)	
	5	30.3% (10)	11.1% (2)	
		33	18	51
Other / Comments:		5 replies	0 replies	5
answered question		35	20	55
			skipped question	0

5. In what recreation programs have you or your family participated over the last 12 months and how satisfied were you with the program?				
		Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Children (13-18)		
		1	2	Response Totals
Facilities Rental (Birthday / Shelter)	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	12.9% (4)	10.5% (2)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	22.6% (7)	31.6% (6)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	3.2% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	Did Not Participate	61.3% (19)	57.9% (11)	
		31	19	50
Special Events (Races / Festivals / Trips)	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	25.8% (8)	17.6% (3)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	16.1% (5)	29.4% (5)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	0.0% (0)	5.9% (1)	
	Did Not Participate	58.1% (18)	47.1% (8)	
		31	17	48
Adult Fitness & Dance	Very satisfied (no changes needed)	6.7% (2)	0.0% (0)	
	Satisfied (some updates needed)	3.3% (1)	11.8% (2)	
	Unsatisfied (major updates needed)	6.7% (2)	0.0% (0)	

	<b>Did Not Participate</b>	<b>83.3%</b> <b>(25)</b>	<b>88.2%</b> <b>(15)</b>	
		30	17	47
Adult Arts & Crafts	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	10.3% (3)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	5.9% (1)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Participate</b>	<b>89.7%</b> <b>(26)</b>	<b>94.1%</b> <b>(16)</b>	
		29	17	46
Adult Athletics	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	6.9% (2)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	6.9% (2)	11.8% (2)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Participate</b>	<b>86.2%</b> <b>(25)</b>	<b>88.2%</b> <b>(15)</b>	
		29	17	46
Youth Dance & Tumbling	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	6.7% (2)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	6.7% (2)	16.7% (3)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	16.7% (5)	11.1% (2)	
	<b>Did Not Participate</b>	<b>70.0%</b> <b>(21)</b>	<b>72.2%</b> <b>(13)</b>	
		30	18	48
Youth Arts & Crafts	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	10.0% (3)	0.0% (0)	

	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	3.3% (1)	5.9% (1)	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	3.3% (1)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>Did Not Participate</b>	<b>83.3%</b> <b>(25)</b>	<b>94.1%</b> <b>(16)</b>	
		30	17	47
Youth Athletics	<b>Very satisfied (no changes needed)</b>	18.2% (6)	15.8% (3)	
	<b>Satisfied (some updates needed)</b>	<b>36.4%</b> <b>(12)</b>	<b>47.4%</b> <b>(9)</b>	
	<b>Unsatisfied (major updates needed)</b>	21.2% (7)	5.3% (1)	
	<b>Did Not Participate</b>	24.2% (8)	31.6% (6)	
		33	19	52
	Other / Comments:	3 replies	0 replies	3
	<b>answered question</b>	35	20	55
	<b>skipped question</b>			0

**6. On a scale of 1-5 with 1 being most interested, please tell us how interested you and your family would be in the following potential programs:**

		Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Children (13-18)		
		1	2	Response Totals
Theater Group / Music Performance	1	20.6% (7)	17.6% (3)	
	2	14.7% (5)	<b>23.5%</b> <b>(4)</b>	
	3	23.5% (8)	<b>23.5%</b> <b>(4)</b>	
	4	11.8% (4)	11.8% (2)	
	5	<b>29.4%</b> <b>(10)</b>	<b>23.5%</b> <b>(4)</b>	
			34	17
Laser Tag	1	20.6% (7)	21.1% (4)	
	2	17.6% (6)	<b>42.1%</b> <b>(8)</b>	
	3	<b>32.4%</b> <b>(11)</b>	21.1% (4)	
	4	11.8% (4)	5.3% (1)	
	5	17.6% (6)	10.5% (2)	
			34	19
Nature studies	1	18.2% (6)	10.5% (2)	

	2	9.1% (3)	15.8% (3)	
	3	24.2% (8)	<b>42.1%</b> <b>(8)</b>	
	4	6.1% (2)	21.1% (4)	
	5	<b>42.4%</b> <b>(14)</b>	10.5% (2)	
		33	19	52
Job Skills Training	1	15.2% (5)	11.1% (2)	
	2	3.0% (1)	11.1% (2)	
	3	12.1% (4)	16.7% (3)	
	4	15.2% (5)	27.8% (5)	
	5	<b>54.5%</b> <b>(18)</b>	<b>33.3%</b> <b>(6)</b>	
			33	18
Festivals / Events	1	17.6% (6)	11.8% (2)	
	2	14.7% (5)	<b>29.4%</b> <b>(5)</b>	
	3	23.5% (8)	<b>29.4%</b> <b>(5)</b>	
	4	14.7% (5)	17.6% (3)	
	5	<b>29.4%</b> <b>(10)</b>	11.8% (2)	
			34	17
Wedding / Party Rental Spaces	1	9.1% (3)	0.0% (0)	

	2	0.0% (0)	6.3% (1)	
	3	9.1% (3)	25.0% (4)	
	4	21.2% (7)	18.8% (3)	
	5	<b>60.6%</b> <b>(20)</b>	<b>50.0%</b> <b>(8)</b>	
		33	16	49
Other / Comments:		0 replies	0 replies	0
<b>answered question</b>		34	19	<b>53</b>
		<b>skipped question</b>		<b>2</b>

7. Would you support the development of interconnected multi-purpose recreation trails throughout the district?			
	Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Children (13-18)		
	1	2	Response Totals
Fully Support	<b>60.0%</b> <b>(21)</b>	<b>65.0%</b> <b>(13)</b>	<b>61.8%</b> <b>(34)</b>
Moderately Support	31.4% (11)	25.0% (5)	29.1% (16)
Do Not Support	2.9% (1)	0.0% (0)	1.8% (1)
No Opinion	5.7% (2)	10.0% (2)	7.3% (4)
<b>answered question</b>	35	20	<b>55</b>
	<b>skipped question</b>		<b>0</b>

8. What is the best way for the Washington Park District to communicate with you?			
	Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Children (13-18)		
	1	2	Response Totals
Program Guide	37.1% (13)	45.0% (9)	40.0% (22)
Website	22.9% (8)	30.0% (6)	25.5% (14)
E-mail	<b>65.7%</b> <b>(23)</b>	<b>80.0%</b> <b>(16)</b>	<b>70.9%</b> <b>(39)</b>
Direct Mail	14.3% (5)	25.0% (5)	18.2% (10)
Newspaper	14.3% (5)	15.0% (3)	14.5% (8)
Other (please specify)	1 reply (2.9%)	0 replies (0.0%)	1.8% (1)
<b>answered question</b>	35	20	<b>55</b>
	<b>skipped question</b>		<b>0</b>

**9. Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional):**

		Please help us to make sure we have heard from everyone by indicating the number of each age group in your household (optional): Children (13-18)		
		1	2	Response Totals
Adults (65 & Up)	1	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	2	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	3	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	4	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	5	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	6	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	7	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	8	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
			0	0
Adults (31-64)	1	2.9% (1)	5.0% (1)	
	2	<b>97.1%</b> <b>(34)</b>	<b>95.0%</b> <b>(19)</b>	
	3	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	4	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	

	5	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	6	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	7	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	8	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
		35	20	55
Adults (19-30)	1	<b>80.0%</b> <b>(8)</b>	<b>50.0%</b> <b>(1)</b>	
	2	20.0% (2)	<b>50.0%</b> <b>(1)</b>	
	3	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	4	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	5	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	6	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	7	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	8	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
		10	2	12
Children (13-18)	1	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(35)</b>	0.0% (0)	
	2	0.0% (0)	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(20)</b>	
	3	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	

	<b>4</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>5</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>6</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>7</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>8</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
		35	20	55
Children (6-12)	<b>1</b>	<b>61.9%</b> <b>(13)</b>	<b>60.0%</b> <b>(6)</b>	
	<b>2</b>	23.8% (5)	30.0% (3)	
	<b>3</b>	14.3% (3)	10.0% (1)	
	<b>4</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>5</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>6</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>7</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>8</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
		21	10	31
Children (5& Under)	<b>1</b>	<b>85.7%</b> <b>(6)</b>	<b>100.0%</b> <b>(2)</b>	
	<b>2</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
		14.3%	0.0%	

	<b>3</b>	(1)	(0)	
	<b>4</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>5</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>6</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>7</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	<b>8</b>	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
		7	2	9
	<b>answered question</b>	35	20	<b>55</b>
		<b>skipped question</b>		<b>0</b>