

CARROLL COUNTY

2022 LAND PRESERVATION, PARK & RECREATION PLAN

COMMUNITY LISTENING SESSIONS

Monday, September 13, 2021 at 6:30pm

Freedom Park, Sykesville, MD

Wednesday, September 15, 2021 at 6:30pm

Leister Park, Hampstead, MD

The primary purpose of the LPPRP is to identify future needs and priorities for parks, recreation and open space acquisition and development. These needs and priorities serve as a guide for land acquisition and capital investment in the County's Community Investment Program.



WHAT IS THE LAND PRESERVATION, PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN?

The Land Preservation, Parks & Recreation Plan (LPPRP) guides planning, development and operation of parks and recreational programs. This helps Carroll County build a recreation and park system that serves and enhances our community's health and quality of life, now and into the future. The LPPRP is updated every 5 years and can influence decisions well beyond that period.

The update involves the collection and evaluation of data and information to better serve the public by identifying:

- Locations and recreational opportunities available at park and recreation facilities
- Rates of parks use and public participation in recreation
- Need for more parks and recreation facilities
- Proximity of parks and recreation facilities to where people live and to under-served areas
- Accomplishments of local jurisdictions to preserve agricultural and resource land

Previous plans and efforts that the LPPRP update will build on:

- Carroll County 2017 Land Preservation, Parks and Recreation Plan
View the 2017 Land Preservation, Parks and Recreation Plan at ccrecpark.org
- Maryland Land Preservation, Parks and Recreation Plan 2019-2023
- Carroll County Master Plan and comprehensive plans for 9 designated growth areas and eight municipalities

WHAT WE HAVE HEARD SO FAR

In the spring of 2021, the department conducted a needs assessment survey to learn more about the community’s recreation and parks preferences, interests, and priorities. The survey was shared with each the county’s recreation councils and the department’s program registration database as well as publicized to residents through social media and on the department web site. In addition, surveys were mailed to 650 households that were randomly selected from the county’s property tax database. Over 1,110 people responded to this survey including both the random and public components.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2021 NEEDS ASSESSMENT SURVEY

RATE THE CONDITIONS OF COUNTY PARKS



PARK AMENITIES USED MOST OFTEN



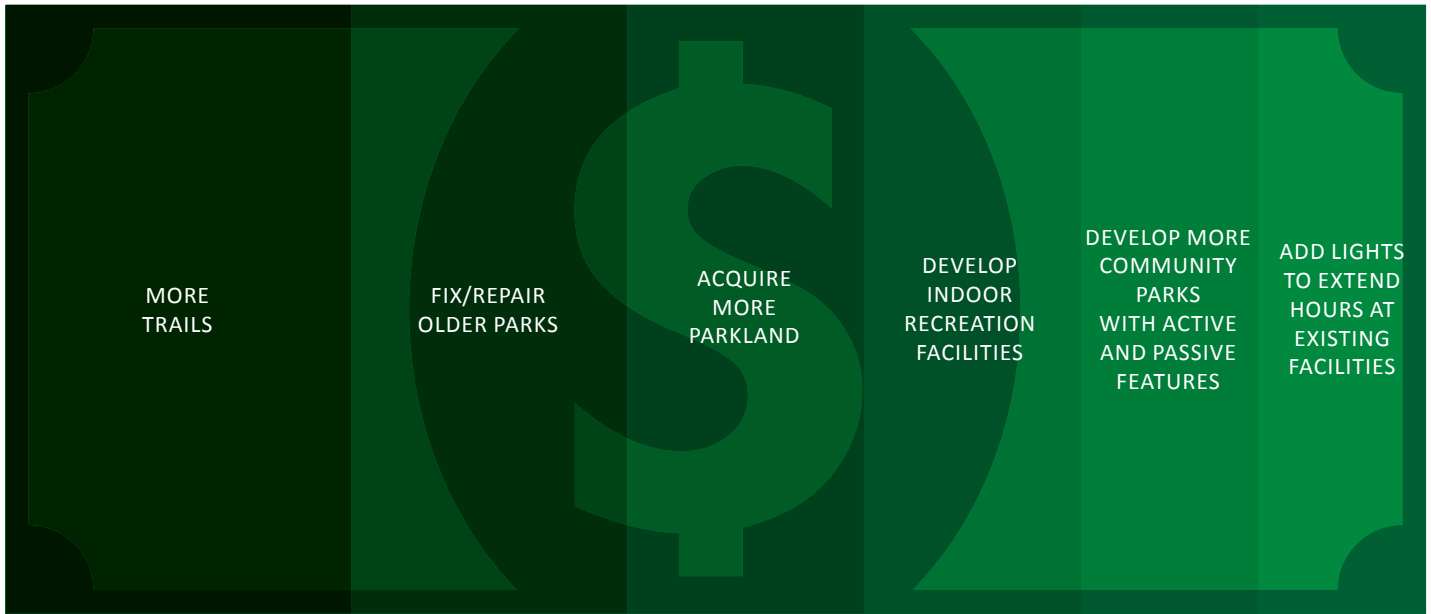
HOW WELL ARE NEEDS CURRENTLY MET BY EXISTING FACILITIES?



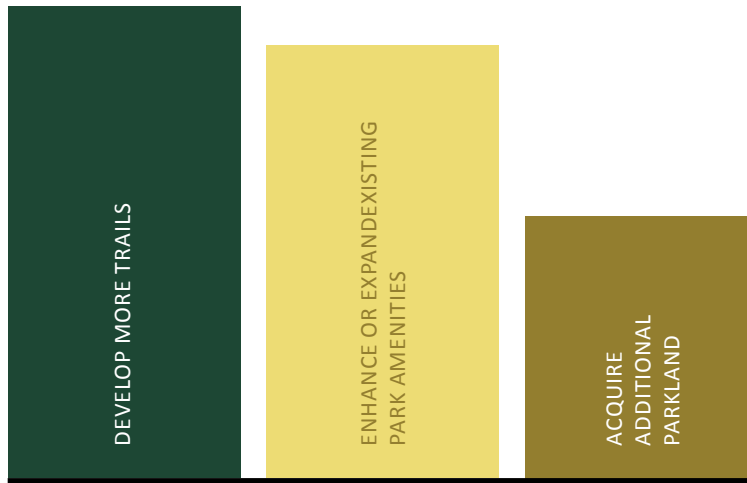
BARRIERS THAT DISCOURAGE USAGE OF PARKS

- None
- Don't know locations
- Not enough time
- Too far from home

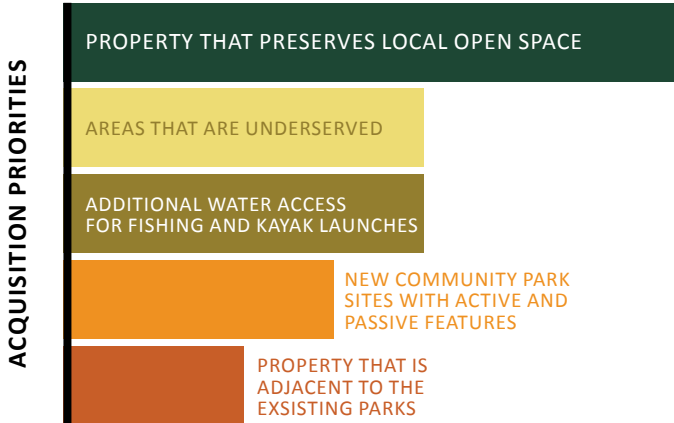
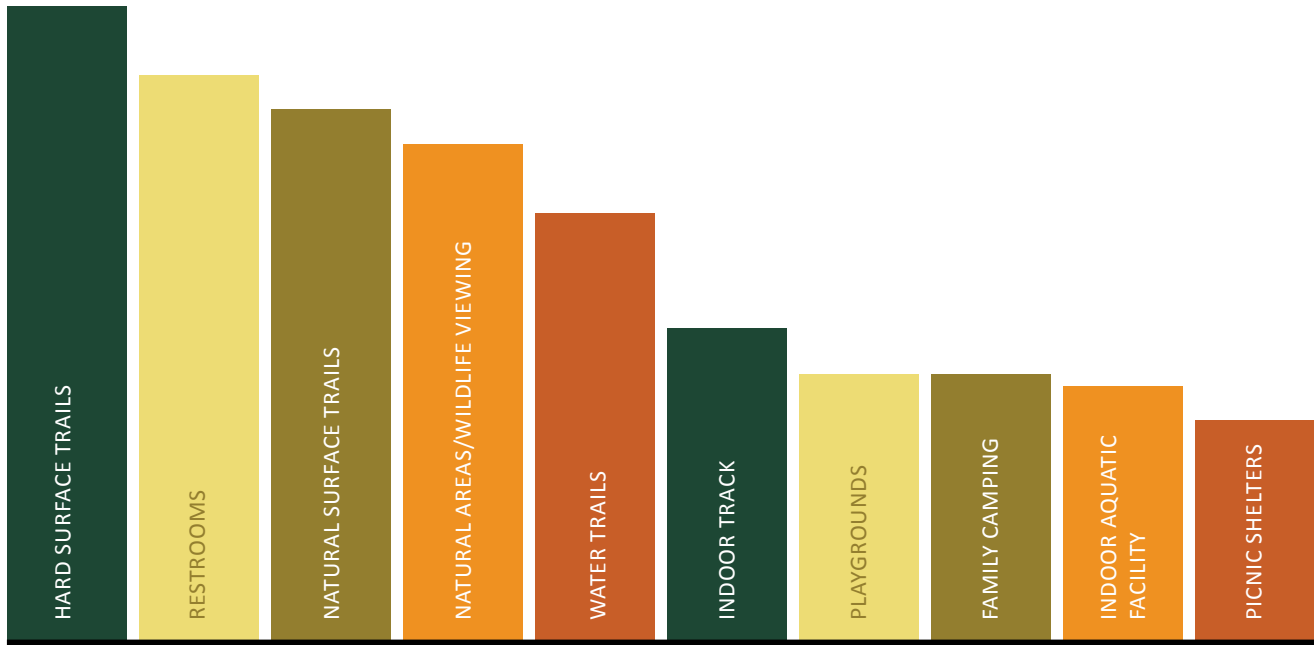
FOR EVERY \$100 IN THE RECREATION & PARKS CAPITAL BUDGET



WHAT SHOULD THE HIGHEST PRIORITY BE FOR RECREATION AND PARKS CAPITAL BUDGET IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS?



ADDITIONAL OR NEW FACILITIES NEEDED



MOST POPULAR PROGRAMS USED



Youth Programs



Adult Programs



Health & Fitness Programs

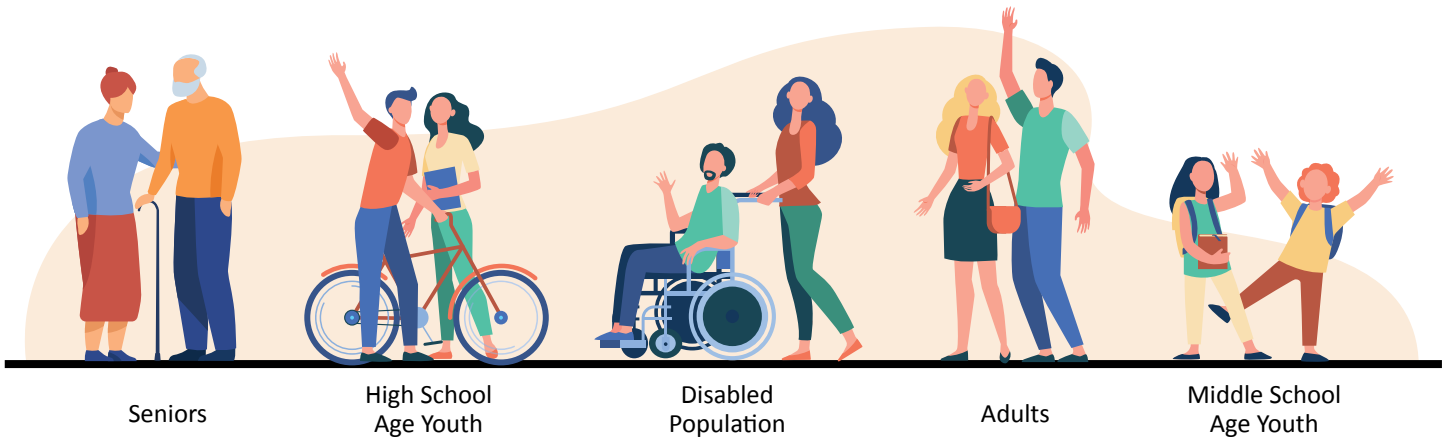


Summer Camps



Family Programs

GROUPS UNDER-SERVED BY PROGRAMS



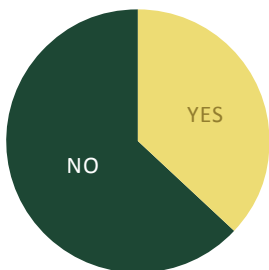
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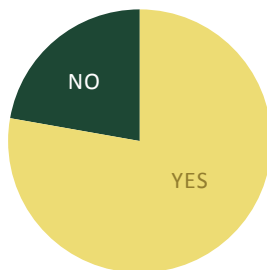
HOW DO YOU TRAVEL TO THE PARKS?



ARE THERE ENOUGH PARKS WITHIN A 10-MINUTE WALK?

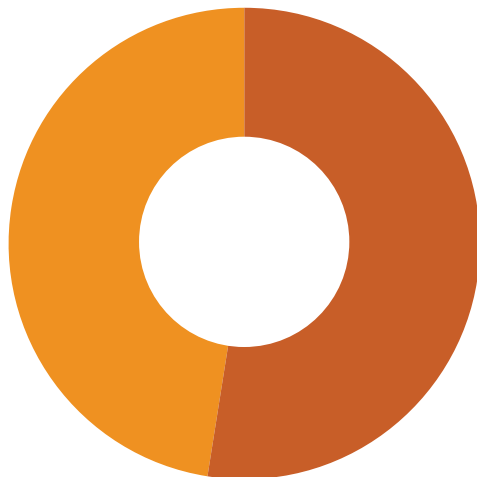


ARE THERE ENOUGH PARKS WITHIN A 15-MINUTE DRIVE?



HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO GET TO THE PARK YOU USE MOST OFTEN?





WHAT ROLE DOES RECREATION AND PARKS PLAY IN YOUR QUALITY OF LIFE?

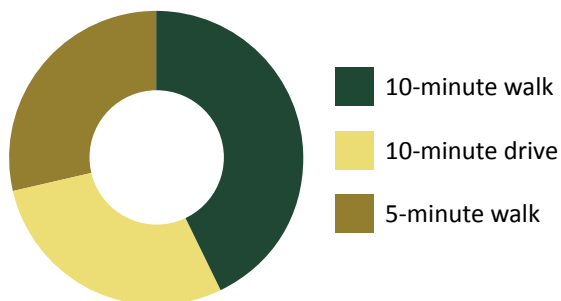
- Significant Role
- Some Role

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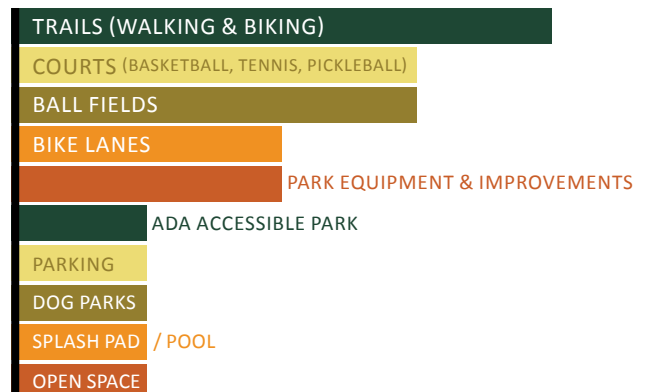
In the summer of 2021, the department conducted a survey of Carroll County’s eight (8) municipalities to gather additional input regarding a variety of recreation and parks related issues. Highlighted results from the municipalities survey below.

**THE AMOUNT OF PARK ACREAGE IN OUR MUNICIPALITY IS...
SUFFICIENT PLUS ROOM FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT.**

MOST OF OUR RESIDENTS CAN ACCESS TOWN OR COUNTY PARKS BY



TOP AMENITIES REQUESTED BY RESIDENTS



WHAT'S NEXT

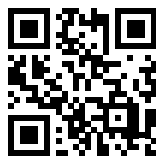
We encourage you to take advantage of this additional opportunity to provide input on recreation and parks related issues in Carroll County. To share any additional feedback on what park and recreation programs, facilities and opportunities are important to you, please email ccrec@carrollcountymd.gov.

Thank you for participating in our Community Listening Session for the LPPRP update. Public feedback will be used to help to shape the draft of the LPPRP and this site will be updated as the process moves forward.

QUICK LINKS






SCAN TO
VIEW/DOWNLOAD
2017 LPPRP



SCAN TO VISIT LPPRP
INFORMATION PAGE
ON CCRECPARK.ORG



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