

RESOLUTION 2022 - 01

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF SUNNYSIDE, WASHINGTON, APPROVING
THE PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE PLAN**

WHEREAS, the City of Sunnyside has previously approved a park, recreation and open space plan

WHEREAS, the City wishes to provide funding for recreation programs and capital improvements to the park system; and

WHEREAS, in order to be eligible for state grant funds, a current park, recreation and open space plan must be in place; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds and determines that approval of such Plan is in the best interests of residents of the City of Sunnyside.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNNYSIDE, WASHINGTON, as follows:

SECTION 1. That the "Parks, Recreation, Open Space Plan", a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by this reference, is hereby approved; and the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute and administer such a plan for and on behalf of the City of Sunnyside.

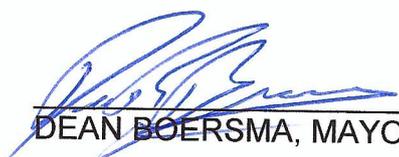
SECTION 2. This Resolution shall be effective upon passage, approval and signatures hereon in accordance with law.

PASSED this 14th day of February 2022.

ATTEST:



JACQUELINE RENTERIA, CITY CLERK



DEAN BOERSMA, MAYOR



**Comprehensive Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan
2022-2028**



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Chapter 1-Introduction

MISSION STATEMENT

The City of Sunnyside Parks and Recreation Department pledges to sustain the delivery of the broad-based parks, facilities, programs and services thus creating a sense of community, enabling a safe and secure environment and enhancing Sunnyside's quality of life, by:

- Being responsive to the changing recreational needs of the diverse and growing community.
- Continuing a citizen-driven and professional approach to provide safe, well-designed, and maintained facilities and programs.
- Maximizing community resources through providing responsible stewardship of human, fiscal, natural, and historic resources.

CITY OF SUNNYSIDE VISION

The City of Sunnyside is a vibrant, safe, and clean city that offers great business, employment, recreational, and lifestyle opportunities to its diverse population.

PLAN OBJECTIVES

This plan seeks to provide a guide to set standards and policies maintaining and expanding the park system, as well as improve resource utilization. It also seeks to explore the City's needs regarding expanding the park system, especially in areas of the City where parkland is lacking and where local and safe pedestrian access to other parks is unavailable. According to

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Yakima County, there are 1,020 acres of vacant residential land within the City of Sunnyside's urban growth area.



Chapter 2- Community Setting

Sunnyside is located in the south-central section of Washington State, near the eastern boundary of Yakima County. The City lies along Interstate 82, 35 miles southeast of the Yakima metropolitan area and is 45 miles west of the Tri-Cities metropolitan area. The City of Sunnyside is 6 miles northwest of City of Grandview. The City of Sunnyside lies north of the Yakima River, in a fertile irrigated valley, approximately in the middle of the Lower Yakima Valley between the Rattle Snake Hills to the north and the Horse Heaven Hills to the south.

HISTORY

In the late 1880s, the Yakima Valley was recognized by railroad officials and land speculators to be an area with an enormous amount of agricultural potential. Railroad officials acted quickly to purchase land in the valley and then formed companies to irrigate these lands. Pumping plants were installed leading to the first intensive cultivation of land in 1903. Sunnyside, like many other communities located in the Yakima Valley, can attribute its origins to the expansion of railroad lines and to the promotion of the towns and the area by companies like the Northern Pacific Railway. In 1893, a township company was formed by area settlers but it was not until 1902 that the town was incorporated.

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Growth in Sunnyside has been incremental in all directions from the original town site, with commercial growth generally following the Yakima Valley Highway (east-west), and with industrial growth occurring along the rail corridors. Residential growth has occurred surrounding the commercial areas of the city and has spread to cover most of Harrison Hill. The construction of I-82 in the early 1980's changed the focus of new commercial and industrial growth to areas with the best access to this roadway. Several large areas were annexed to Sunnyside in the late 1980's in coordination with the Port of Sunnyside to form a new industrial area and to provide the Port with an area large enough for an industrial wastewater treatment facility. In the early 1990's, several other large areas were annexed to the City of Sunnyside for development of new commercial areas along the Yakima Valley Highway adjacent to the southeast portion of the city and nearby I-82.

CLIMATE

The climate for the Yakima Valley is generally characterized as being mild and dry, influenced by both maritime and continental climates, and modified by the Cascades to the west and Rocky Mountains to the east.

Summers are sunny, with about 85% of the possible sunshine, while winters are generally cloudy with only a third of the possible sunshine. Daily temperatures for the summer months range from 65 to 90 degrees, but the dry air results in rapid temperature falls after sunset, providing cool evening temperatures, usually in the 50's. Temperatures of 100 degrees frequently occur in the months of July and August.

The growing season in the Yakima Valley varies with the immediate topography and the type of crops grown. The average date of the last freezing temperature in the spring is May 13, and the first in the fall is October 1. Temperatures below 32 degrees are infrequent during the period May 8 through September 23. Snowfall is light, with average seasonal snowfall ranging from 10 to 15 inches.

Precipitation in the area follows the West Coast Marine Climate, exhibiting the typical late fall and early winter maximum rainfall. More than 50% of the annual precipitation occurs from October through February. The months of June, July, and August are usually dry, averaging less than 1 inch of measurable precipitation during the three-month period. It is not uncommon between the months of July and August to have no measurable rainfall (1925-recorded 88

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consecutive days without rain). Average annual precipitation for the Sunnyside area is between 6 and 8 inches.

Winds are generally light, averaging approximately 7 MPH on an annual basis. Stronger winds, ranging from 30 to 65 MPH, will occasionally occur during the spring months. The prevailing wind direction is from the northwest and west in the winter and west-northwest in the summer. Warm and dry "Chinook" winds characteristically occur several times a year, being most noticeable in the winter, resulting in a 20 to 30 degree rise in temperature within the space of a few hours.

WILDLIFE

The Sunnyside area lies within the big sage brush-bluebunch wheatgrass (*Artemisia tridentata*-*Agropyron spicatum*) association of the Columbia Basin Province. This association is found in the driest part of the Columbia Basin Province and was historically composed of shrubs, grasses, forbs, and a surface crust of lichens and mosses. Farming practices have resulted in alteration of vegetation over much of the landscape in the Sunnyside area. Very few native plants exist within the area with areas of invasive and noxious weeds present within and adjacent to the farmed portions of the area.

Some of the canals and ditches that traverse the Sunnyside area possess an overstory of young narrow-leaf willow (*Salix exigua* spp. *exigua*) and Russian olive (*Elaiagnus angustifolia*), with elm (*Ulnus* sp.) along the top of bank. Other canals and ditches that traverse the area have no overstory or shrubs and appear to be cleared of vegetation regularly. Emergent marsh vegetation within the ditches includes smartweeds (*Polygonum* spp.), watercress (*Rorripa nasturtium-aquaticum*), cattails (*Typha latifolia*), marshelder (*Iva xanthifolia*), and reed canarygrass (*Phalaris arundiances*). This habitat provides food, cover, and water as well as a movement corridor for birds and mammals.

DEMOGRAPHICS

The City of Sunnyside has grown steadily since its incorporation in 1902, to a 2000 population of 13,905 (2000 Census), and an estimated 2020 population of 17,250 (Washington State Office of Financial Management [OFM] population estimate). Table 1 shows the Census population by decade and the associated rate of increase. The average rate of growth within the city has ranged from a low of 0.87% per year between 1960 and 1970, to a high of 7.7% per year

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between 1940 and 1950. Over the twenty year period - 1970 to 1990, the rate of growth averaged 3.3% per year. During the period 1980 - 1990, Sunnyside experienced a 21.8% increase in population. During the period of 2001 to 2014 the average growth rate was 1.11 %, with the period of 2010 to 2014 being an average growth rate of 0.58%.

Based on 2019 Census population data, 13.4% of Sunnyside's population is white alone, and 85.3% of the population is classified as being Hispanic or Latino. Approximately 38.7% of the population is under the age of 19, and 8.3% of the population is over 65.53% of Sunnyside's population is between the ages of 18 and 65.

Table 2-1: the Census population by decade and the associated rate of increase. City of Sunnyside Population Trends 1910-2020						
Year	Census Population*	OFM Population Estimate **	Total Change Per Decade	Average Change Per Year	Percent Change Per Decade	Average Percent Change Per year
1910	1,379	---	---	---	---	---
1920	1,809	---	430	43.0	31.18%	3.12%
1930	2,113	---	304	30.4	16.80%	1.68%
1940	2,368	---	255	25.5	12.07%	1.21%
1950	4,194	---	1,826	182.6	77.11%	7.71%
1960	6,208	---	2,014	201.4	48.02%	4.80%
1970	6,751	---	543	54.3	8.75%	0.87%
1980	9,225	---	2,474	247.4	36.65%	3.66%
1990	11,238	---	2,013	201.3	21.82%	2.18%
2000	13,905	---	2,667	266.7	19.18%	1.91%
2010		15,858	1,953	195	12%	1.2%
2020		17,250	1,392	139.2	8%	.08%

*U.S. Census Bureau, Census of Population and Housing

** Washington State Office of Financial Management, Population Trends for Washington State

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ANALYSIS OF ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

Sunnyside's economy is primarily dependent upon agriculture and food processing. Large portions of the area's agricultural commodities and products are exported. Based on journey to work travel patterns developed by the U.S. Department of Transportation Bureau of Transportation Statistics, retail trade is the industry with the highest level of employment within the City of Sunnyside accounting for almost 25% of the employment within the City. Health services and educational services each account for approximately 11% of the employment within the City. Agriculture, the manufacturing of nondurable goods, and other professional and related services (including social service, religious and membership organizations, legal and engineering services) each account for approximately 5% of the employment within Sunnyside: The majority of other industry within Sunnyside each account for 2% to 5% of the employment within the community. These other industries include construction, the manufacturing of durable goods, transportation, communication and public utilities, wholesale trade, finance, insurance and real estate, business and repair services and public administration. Another employer that employs roughly 500 people from the Grandview-Sunnyside area is the Hanford Site, which is managed by the US Department of Energy. The future of Hanford has the potential to affect Sunnyside's economy as cleanup at the Hanford Nuclear Reservation has increased the number of workers over the years. Cleanup at Hanford is expected to last 20 or more years, which could provide consistent employment for Sunnyside residents.

The Sunnyside School District utilizes the Community Eligibility Provision program, which allows them to give out free meals to all students due to at least 40% of families zoned for the district participating in means-tested federal assistance programs, such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). The population of Sunnyside School District 201 for the 20-21 school year is 6,639 students. This means that at least 2,655 families within the school district receive means-tested federal assistance. This creates an impact on Parks and Recreation specifically because one of the main users of recreational services are families with children. In order to prevent affordability being a barrier to recreational opportunities, Sunnyside Parks and Recreation needs to develop a policy regarding a scholarship program.

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Chapter 3- Park Inventory

The City of Sunnyside maintains a park system that offers many recreational opportunities to residents and visitors alike, including picnicking and bicycling, and sporting activities such as basketball, softball, soccer, and tennis. Sunnyside has 63.75 acres of land that is used for recreation within the city limits, or 1% of the total parcel acreage for the city. This acreage does not include the land owned by the school district. These recreational lands, denotes approximately 3.69 acres of recreational land per 1,000 population. The National Recreation and Park Association finds that a typical park systems, composed of a "core" system of parklands, average between a total of 6.25 to 10.5 acres of developed open space per 1,000 population. The City of Sunnyside has additional land available at the justice center and other places in the city. The City of Sunnyside must also be concerned with the provision of safe access to the City's park system for all residents of Sunnyside. Thus additional park area may be warranted in those areas of the City where park lands are lacking and where local and safe pedestrian access to other parks is unavailable.

REGIONAL FACILITIES

City of Sunnyside residents have access to a variety of regional park facilities. Approximately three hours by car is Mt. Rainier National Park, which is operated by the National Park Service as well as Mt. Adams, which is managed jointly by the United States Forest Service and the Yakama Nation. There are also four State parks within a 60 mile radius of Sunnyside which offer a more traditional park experience. These State parks are Fort Simcoe, Sacajawea, Brooks Memorial and Yakima Sportsman State Park. These areas provide citizens with activities such as hiking, camping, sight-seeing and nature observation.

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Regional facilities closer to the City of Sunnyside include the Toppenish Wildlife Refuge and the Sunnyside Wildlife Area, both of which are a few miles west and south of Sunnyside. The National Department of Fish and Wildlife maintain the Toppenish Wildlife Area. The Sunnyside Wildlife Area is ran by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. Both of these areas offer fishing, hunting, and wildlife-related recreational opportunities.

The last regional facility inventoried is, SunnyView Park which is a 32-acre facility lying between Grandview and Sunnyside. Residents of both communities often use this park. This park consists of two soccer fields and three baseball/softball fields. It also features two picnic shelters, a basketball hard court, volleyball court and a skate park. Parking and restroom facilities are available at this handicap accessible park. SunnyView Park is maintained by the City of Sunnyside. The facilities at SunnyView Park are in a good condition. The Skate parks facility within SunnyView, which was developed through the WWRP grant administered through the RCO, remains in good condition.

COMMUNITY PARKS

The City of Sunnyside maintains two community parks, South Hill and Central Park.

South Hill Park is the second largest park in Sunnyside's park system at 17.6 acres. South Hill Park is home to the Sunnyside Community Center, which was built in 2004. South Hill Park consists of a playground, splash pad, four baseball/softball fields, 18 horseshoe pits, and a fenced in tennis court area with four playable courts, a basketball court, and a picnic pavilion with grill, seasonal restroom facilities and plenty of open space. The previously listed facilities within South Hill Park are in a various state of conditions. The playground in South Hill Park is in poor condition, with packed sand as its' landing material and hard metal structures as the main play toys. The splash pad is in good condition. The restroom facility and the picnic pavilion are in a good condition. The basketball court is in a good condition. The tennis courts have remained in good condition since the 2007-2008 RCO funded renovation completed. The baseball fields, which are the contractual responsibility of Sunnyside Cal-Ripken, have fallen into a state of non-maintenance, as grass has grown over the dirt areas, and moles have made hills on the field, rendering it in poor condition. Overall, South Hill Park is in a fair condition, but improvements will need to be made to move it into a "good" condition.

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The second community park within Sunnyside's park system is Central Park. Central Park is a 9.3-acre park, making it the third largest park in Sunnyside's Park System. Central park consists of an Olympic sized swimming pool including a training pool and water slide, bathhouse, playground, new skate park and picnic area with firebox. The pool facility is seasonally operated, usually beginning its season in early June, and completing the season in mid-August. The seasonal swimming pool facility within central park is in good condition, with the bathhouse receiving a small-scale remodel over 2020-2021. The Skate park facility within Central Park is brand new as project completed in November of 2021, and is in great condition. The playground in Central Park was done by the group Kaboom!, and is in good condition as well. The overall condition of Central Park is good.

NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS

The City of Sunnyside maintains three traditional neighborhood parks that are spread throughout the city. These parks are the Kiwanis Youth Park, Upland Park and Don Hughes Park.

The first and largest of the neighborhood parks is Kiwanis Youth Park, at 3.5 acres. Kiwanis Youth Park has seasonal restroom facilities, a playground, a picnic shelter area, a softball field, a basketball court, and plenty of open space. The condition of Kiwanis Youth Park is fair.

The next largest neighborhood park in Sunnyside's park system is Upland Park at 1 acre. Upland Park consists of a playground, a basketball court, and a gazebo. The condition of the playground at Upland is poor. The playground boarder is broken, and needs to be replaced. The playground equipment is old and needs renovation as well, as packed sand is the fall material for this playground as well. The basketball court is in good condition. The gazebo is in good condition. Overall, Upland park is in a fair condition.

Lastly, Don Hughes Park is .77-acre park consisting of two basketball courts, and a playground area. The basketball courts are in good condition. The playground area is in poor condition, featuring packed sand as fall material, metal slide, and an old swing set. The overall condition of Don Hughes Park is fair. Improvements to the playground would bring the condition from fair to good.

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MINI- PARKS

The City of Sunnyside maintains two mini parks. The first being Benny-Blaine Park, which is a .29-acre park consisting of one basketball court and a small playground area. The playground area consists of an old swing set, a metal climber, and one metal bounce toy. The playground within Denny-Blaine Park is in poor condition. The basketball court is in fair condition. Overall, Denny-Blaine Park is in a fair condition.

The second mini park that the City of Sunnyside counts in its inventory is Railroad Park, which is a .3-acre park consisting of picnic areas, shrubbery and trees. This park is located on the other side of the railroad from Central Park, and was developed and is maintained by the BNSF. The condition of Railroad Park is good.

OPEN SPACE CORRIDORS

The GMA requires cities to identify open space corridors within and between urban growth areas. These corridors shall include lands that are useful for recreation, wildlife habitat, trails and connection of critical areas. In the Lower Valley, the process of developing open space corridors has already begun with the development of the Lower Valley Pathway - a pedestrian and bicycle path which connects the cities of Sunnyside, Grandview and Prosser by utilizing the Burlington Northern right-of-way (ROW). There is also some potential for the Lower Valley Pathway to be extended northward utilizing abandoned rail right-of-way. Currently, the Lower Valley Pathway extends 17 miles. The Lower Valley Pathway is in good condition.

OPEN SPACE AREAS

Open space areas are comprised of valuable scenic, recreational, and environmentally sensitive lands throughout Sunnyside. Desirable communities often contain a variety of types of open spaces from more natural open spaces such as hilltops and shorelines that offer views of scenic vistas - mountains and water for example, or undeveloped ravines, river corridors, and wetlands that form natural greenbelts and shelter wildlife to more urban open spaces that provide recreational opportunities or serve community functions - trails or public squares. Open spaces contribute to a community by providing visual variety and beauty to complement developed areas, and in this way add to the quality of life in the city. Open space designations in Sunnyside will include parks, natural and other areas in public and private ownership that enhance the

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livability in the city. The following types of land will carry the open space designation: A) Lands strategically located to provide scenic amenity and community identity within and between areas of urban development. B) Environmentally sensitive areas protected by regulation, including wetlands, floodways, and steep slopes. C) Lands physically suitable for recreation.

Currently, Sunnyside inventories three park spaces that function as open space areas. These park spaces are, Tina Knoth Park, Veterans Memorial Plaza, and Centennial Square. Tina Knoth Park, which is located just in front of the Justice center, is an open space falling into section C ‘land physically suitable for recreation’. Tina Knoth Park is a rectangular field suited for soccer fields. Tina Knoth Park is in a fair condition, but could be in better condition if listed recommendations of improvements in Chapter 4 become funded.

Veterans Memorial Plaza, located adjacent to the front of City Hall, inventoried by the City, but was built by a local team lead by Greg Schlieve, looking to honor Veterans from the Sunnyside Community. Schlieve, a Vietnam War Veteran, maintains the project. The Veterans Memorial Plaza is defined in the Open Space category, as it falls into section A’s definition “lands strategically located to provide scenic amenity and community identity within and between areas of urban development”, as it reflects the communities identity. The condition of the Veterans Memorial Plaza is excellent.

Centennial Square, located in the heart of downtown, featuring a large gazebo stage, and an open green field with a dirt lot attached to it. It functions as an open-air market space, hosting plenty of community events. Centennial Square was acquired through a land donated to the City by the Vliieger family, built by the Port of Sunnyside, and is currently maintained by the City. Centennial Square is defined in the Open Space category, as it falls into section A’s definition “Lands strategically located to provide scenic amenity and community identity within and between areas of urban development”. The condition of Centennial Square is excellent.

Stemming from the open space areas, Centennial Pathway is a local walking trail between Centennial Square, Central Park, and the Sunnyside Historical Museum. Statues of important people from the history of the Sunnyside community line this 0.5 mile pathway, thus it can be inventoried within the open space areas. Centennial Pathway falls into the definition of open space’s section A “lands strategically located to provide scenic amenity and community identity within and between areas of urban development”, as it reflects the communities identity and connects two scenic amenities to a historical building. Centennial Pathway is in good condition.

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RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

The City of Sunnyside inventories four recreational facilities, a Senior Citizen Center, a Community Center, a Historical Museum, and an Olympic sized municipal pool.

The Senior Citizen Center is located on 1400 Federal Way, and is a multipurpose facility with a large meeting hall, kitchen, dining tables and shaded outdoor patio area. The Senior Citizen Center caters to adults 50 years and older, with recreational program offerings, health services and service groups. The Senior Center Board, a volunteer board of six people that are elected each year by Senior Center participants, operates the center. The City maintains the parklike area the center sits on. The Senior Center is in a fair condition. The floors inside the building need to be renovated as time has worn out the current flooring. The City funded a new ADA ramp for the front of the building in 2021.

The Museum is located at 704 S 4th St, and sits on approximately 1.6 acres of land. Located downtown, the museum houses, displays artifacts, and documents with a focus on daily life in Sunnyside during its early years. The family of Walter C. Ball & Sons, the local undertaking business that was also among the pioneering families that founded Sunnyside, donated the building housing the museum to the City. The Museum board, a volunteer board consisting of six members, operates the building. The City owns the building, but the Museum board owns the artifacts that are displayed within. The museum is open seasonally as volunteer time allows. The condition of the museum is poor. The museum needs a structural repair, detailed more in Chapter 4. This repair is funded within the 2022 City of Sunnyside general funds budget.

The Community Center is located within South Hill Park on South 1st Street. Constructed in 2004, this center is operated by the City of Sunnyside. The community center is a 9,000 square foot facility and has a practice gym, commercial kitchen, a conference room, a game room and two office areas. The condition of the Sunnyside Community Center is good.

The City of Sunnyside operates a seasonal municipal pool, located within Central park. This is an Olympic sized, 50m, swimming pool facility with a water slide, and a secondary training pool. The pool facility is seasonally operated, usually beginning its season in early June, and completing the season in mid-August. The seasonal swimming pool facility within central park is in good condition, with the bathhouse receiving a small-scale remodel over 2020-2021.

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2022 general funds have been allocated towards purchasing a new ADA accessible pool chair lift. With the new improvements, the pool will remain in good condition.

The below table, Table 3-1, depicts park and recreation facilities within the City of Sunnyside's inventory. It shows park name, location, size, acreage, service radius, development status and parking opportunities.

Table 3-1: Park ~~EXHIBIT A~~ Recreational Facilities

City of Sunnyside Park and Recreational Facilities						
Park Name	Address	Acreage	Service Radius	Development Status	Parking On-Site	Off-site
Traditional Parks						
Central Park	S 4th Street, Sunnyside, WA 98944	9.3	Community	Developed	107	Available
Kiwanis Youth Park	509 Doolittle Ave, Sunnyside, WA 98944	3.5	Neighborhood	Developed	10	Available
South Hill park	1521 S 1st Street, Sunnyside, WA98944	17.6	Community	Developed	107	None
Upland Park	1200 Grandview Ave, Sunnyside, WA 98944	1.00	Neighborhood	Developed	0	Available
Denny-Blaine Park	640 Custer Ave, Sunnyside, WA 98944	0.29	Mini Park	Developed	5	None
Don Hughes	1410 E Lincoln Ave, Sunnyside, WA 98944	0.77	Neighborhood	Developed	0	None
SunnyView Park	31211 Yakima Valley Hwy, Sunnyside WA	32.00	Regional	Developed	200	None
Open Spaces						
Veterans Memorial Park	S 9th St, Sunnyside WA	0.3	Boulevard	Developed	0	None
Centennial Square	525 E Edison Ave, Sunnyside WA	0.48	Mini park	Developed	0	Available
Centennial Pathway	Starts at 525 E Edison Ave, Goes by Museum, and Ends at S 4th Street.	0.55 miles long	Local walking trail	Developed	0	Available
Lower Valley Pathway	From Yakima Valley Hwy. at Mid Valley Mall (Sunnyside) to Wine Country Rd. at Yakima River (Prosser).	17 miles long	Regional trail	Developed	0	Available
Tina Knoth Park	401 Homer St, Sunnyside, WA	3.0	Open Space	Developed	0	Available
Railroad park	S 4th Street, Sunnyside, WA	0.25	Mini Park	Developed	0	Available
Recreational Facilities						
Senior Center	1400 Federal Way, Sunnyside , WA	1.5	Community	Developed	12	None
Historical Museum	704 S 4th St, Sunnyside, WA	1.66	Community	Developed	5	Available
Community Center	1521 S 1 st Street, Sunnyside, WA	9,000+ sqft	Community	Developed	107	None

Local parks and recreation facilities are provided by the City of Sunnyside. Informal recreational opportunities are available at the playfields of the Sunnyside School District. Below, table 3-2 (Parks and Recreational Amenities) lists and describes the type of parks and recreation facilities’ amenities provided by the City.

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Table 3-2 Park and Recreational Amenities	CENTRAL	KIWANIS YOUTH	RAILROAD	SENIOR CENTER	SOUTH HILL	UPLAND	VETERANS MEMORIAL	SUNNYVIEW	LOWER VALLEY PATHWAY	DENNY BLAINE	Downtown Centennial stage
Total Site Acreage	6.90	3.5	.25	1.5	17.6	1.00	0.30	32.00	-	-	.48
Baseball/Softball Fields	No	1	No	No	4	No	No	4	No	No	No
Football/Soccer Fields	No	1	No	No	No	No	No	1	No	No	No
Open Play Fields	No	No	No	No	1	No	No	Yes	No	No	No
Swimming Pools (outdoor)	1	No	No	No	No	No	No	N/A	No	No	No
Training Pools	1	No	No	No	No	No	No	N/A	No	No	No
Tennis Courts	No	No	No	No	4	No	No	No	No	No	No
Hard Court (Basketball, skate park, etc.)	No	No	No	No	2	1	No	1	No	1	No
Picnic Shelters	No	1	No	No	1	No	No	2	No	No	Yes
Picnic Tables	38	5	No	No	14	2	No	25	No	No	No
Restrooms	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	2	No	No	Yes
Fitness/Jogging Course	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	1994	No	No
Playground Equipment	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No
Handicapped Access	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Horseshoe Pits	No	No	No	No	18	No	No	No	Yes	No	No
Trails	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
Predominantly Green space	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
On-Site Parking Spaces	107	9	0	7	92	0	0	200	0	0	No
Off-Site Parking	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

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The below maps, map 3-1, map 3-2, and map 3-3 depict locations of parks, facilities and walking trails.

Map 3-1 Park Locations

Sunnyside Park Facilities Map

- Park Key
- 1 South Hill Park
 - 2 Central Park
 - 3 Railroad Park
 - 4 Centennial Square
 - 5 Veterans Memorial Park
 - 6 Don Hughes Park
 - 7 Sunnyview Park
 - 8 Kiwanis Youth Park
 - 9 Tina Knoth Park
 - 10 Denny Blaine Park
 - 11 Upland Park

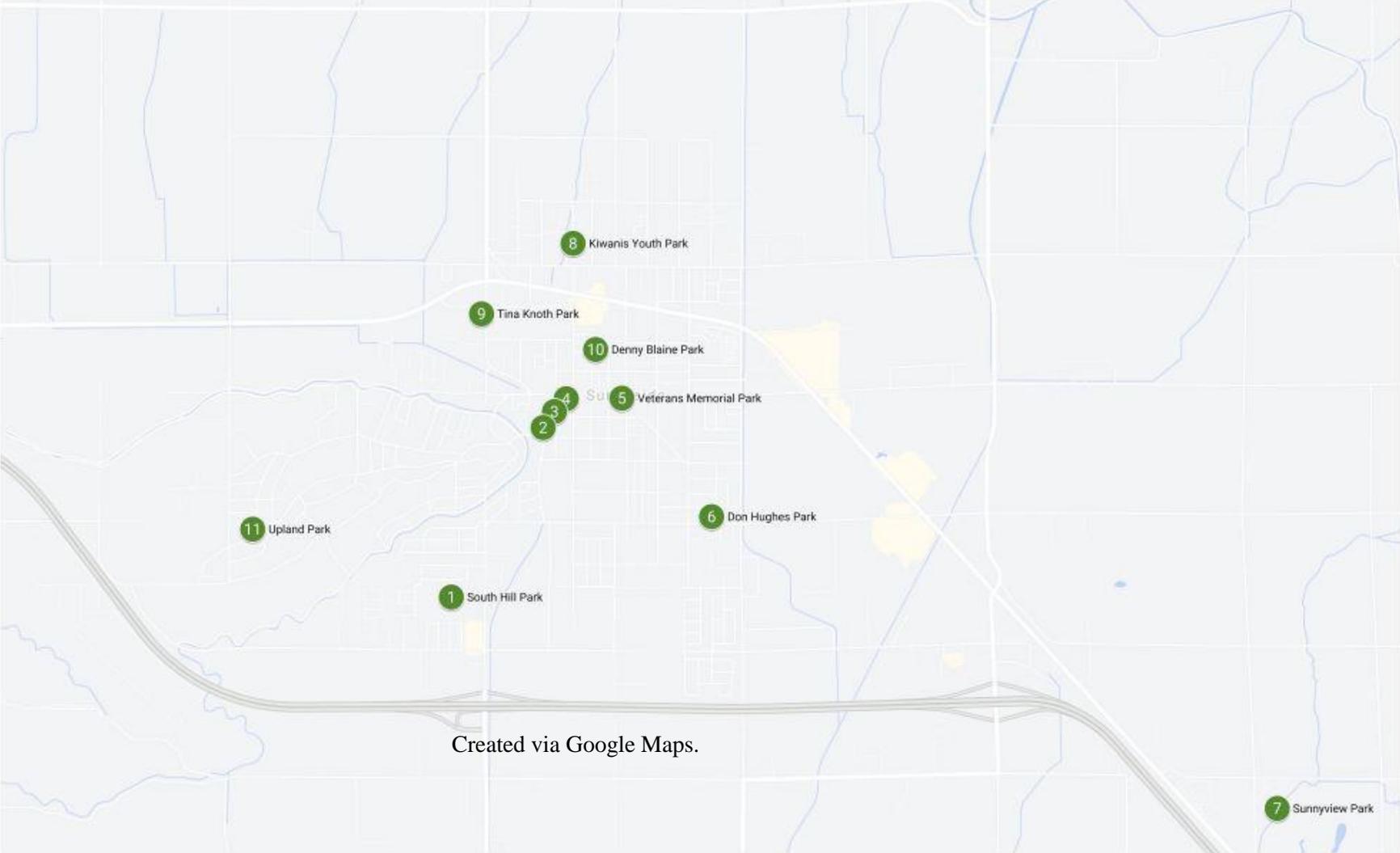


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Map 3-2 Recreational Facility Locations

Sunnyside Recreational Facilities Map

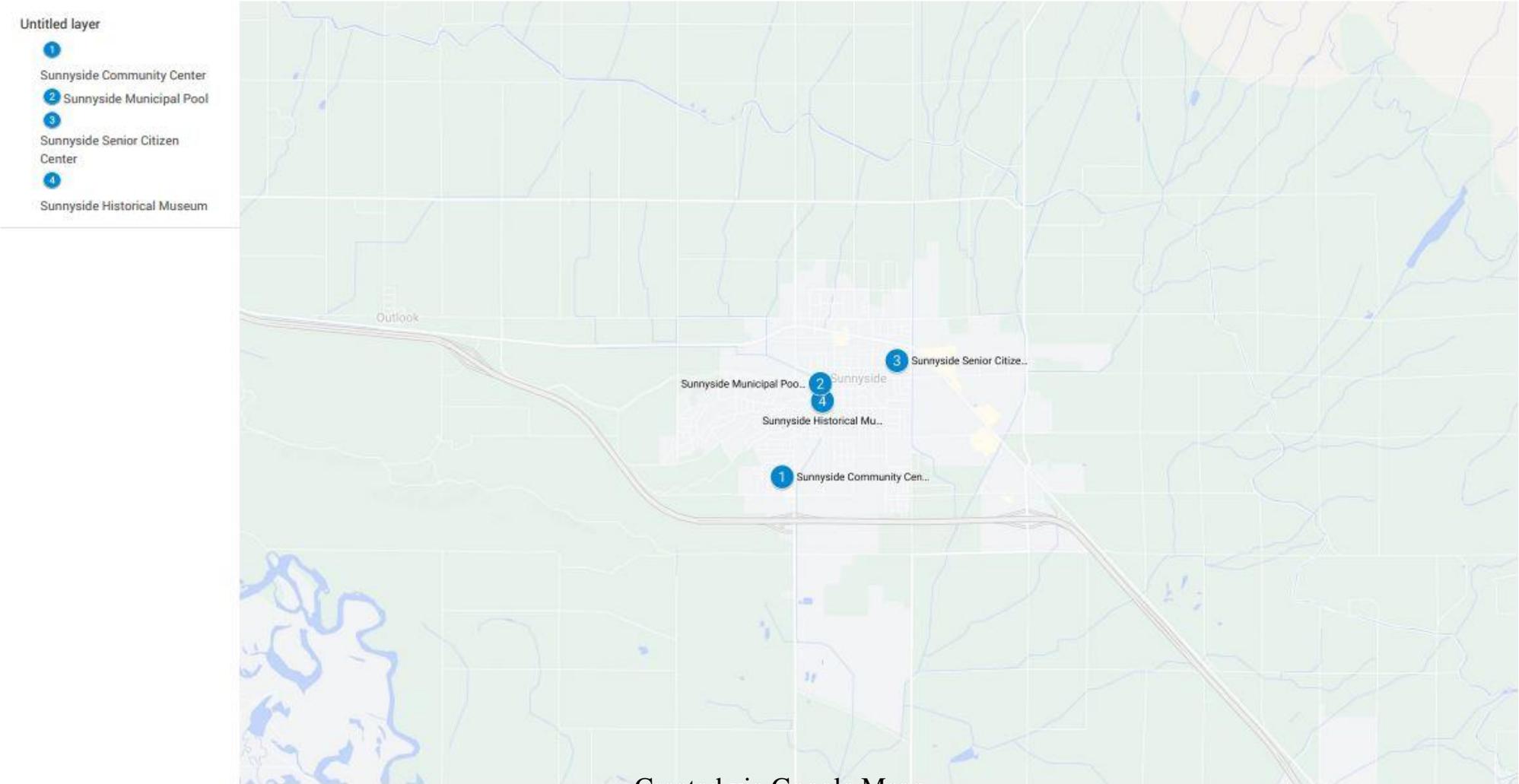
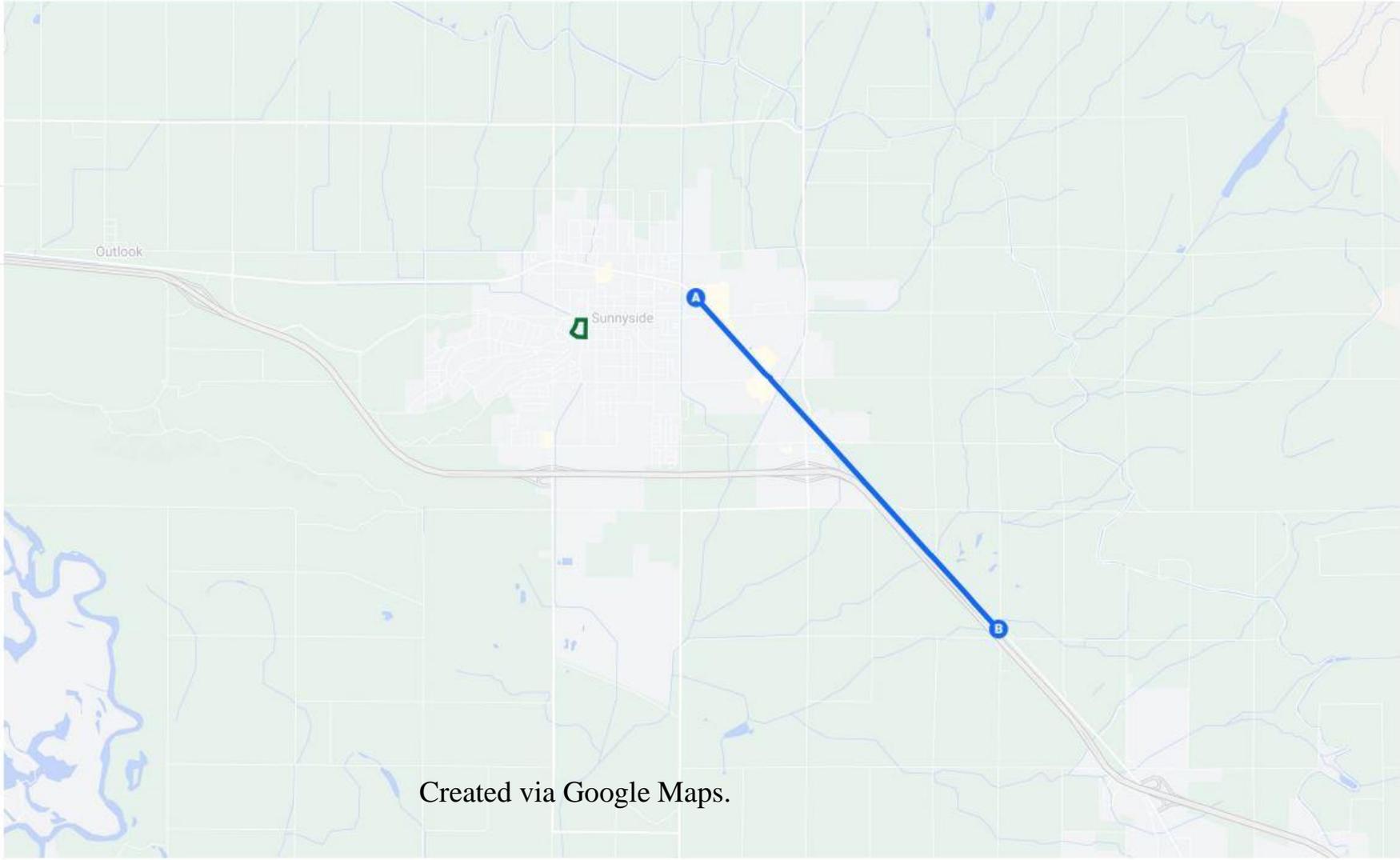


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Map 3-3 Walking Trail Locations

Sunnyside Map of Walking Trails

- Lower Valley Pathway
 - A**
1806 Yakima Valley Hwy,
Sunnyside, WA 98944, USA
 - B**
Lower Yakima Valley Pathway,
Sunnyside, WA 98944, USA
- Centennial Pathway
 - Centennial Pathway



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Chapter 4 – Capital Improvements, Needs and Opportunities

ANAYLSIS OF NEEDS

Sunnyside has 105 acres of land that can be used for recreation within the City limits, or 2.9% of the total parcel acreage for the city. Sunnyside owns 63.75 acres of land that is used for recreation within the city limits, or 1% of the total parcel acreage for the city. This acreage does not include the land owned by the school district. These recreational lands, denotes approximately 3.69 acres of recreational land per 1,000 population. The National Recreation and Park Association finds that a typical park systems, composed of a "core" system of parklands, average between a total of 6.25 to 10.5 acres of developed open space per 1,000 population. The City of Sunnyside must also be concerned with the provision of safe access to the City's park system for all residents of Sunnyside.

The process used in creating the analysis of needs was one of community involvement. During informal talks with park maintenance employees, survey analysis of the community wide survey, and subsequent formal public hearings for the development of this plan, comments were compiled about the park areas needing renovation and areas in town where parklands or park facilities are lacking. These compiled comments show a need for better long-standing maintenance of the park system, especially focusing on the need for renovation of playgrounds around town.

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The priorities for acquisition, development, preservation, enhancement, and management of the Sunnyside Park System are as follows. Enhancement and better management of existing facilities, preservation of open spaces and trails, development of existing properties and then acquisition of new properties. The community has identified these priorities as their priorities. Many of the community survey open responses have focused on enhancing existing facilities, with special focus on the play equipment available for children. While the community survey results found that 30.3% agreed and 21.2% strongly agreed with the statement “more park space is needed in my area”, 65% of survey respondents stated that the number of parks were adequate. 11.5% of survey respondents specifically said they would prefer the development of additional neighborhood parks. The conflicting data shown here suggests that residents may not be looking for more park space that is developed as a traditional park, but rather as open space or pathways.

RECREATIONAL AND OPEN SPACE NEEDS

According to community survey responses, there is a need for recreational land and open spaces in the Sunnyside Urban Growth Area, as well as on the East, West and South sides of town. Additional study must go into these potential areas where parklands are lacking and where local and safe pedestrian access to other parks is unavailable, to decide upon land to acquire and develop into new park spaces. If new parks are developed, there are specific amenities that the people of Sunnyside would prefer to be developed. These are as follows: walking trails, barbecue areas, sports courts, picnic shelters, sports fields, extensive play equipment, and extensive green space. Less than 10% of survey respondents wanted more horseshoe pits, or limited play equipment.

More trails are needed within the City of Sunnyside. Currently, there are two inventoried open spaces that would fall into this category, the Lower Valley Pathway and the Centennial Pathway. When asked about new amenities within parks, 16.1% of survey respondents said that they would prefer jogging, walking, or fitness trails to be developed. In a separate survey question, 19.2% of respondents stated that they like to see additional bike trails or paths placed within the City of Sunnyside, with one survey respondent commenting: “path or sidewalk along Allen road making it safe to run or bike to the Centennial trail. Better-marked bike trails along the Yakima Highway and maybe an extension of the Centennial towards Yakima. A ride the valley effort would be a huge benefit to the community. I have also been hit multiple times by cars in Sunnyside due to not having adequate safe trails to run on.” This comment displays an

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important aspect of the need for additional bike trails. The aspect is the commenter's anecdotal evidence of being hit by vehicles while running in Sunnyside. The City of Sunnyside Parks and Recreation's vision includes "enabling a safe and secure environment"; this aspect of the vision must be applied to all aspects of recreating in Sunnyside, including ensuring that the City provide ample safe trails for residents. As trails are developed, restroom facilities along the trails or pathways would be preferred by 17.6% of survey respondents.

Other needed recreational lands include additional sports fields or sports court. When asked about improvements to existing parks, 14.2% of respondents would prefer that additional sports fields are developed, with 16.9% also stating they would like additional restroom facilities for sports fields. When asked about amenities in new park developments, 11.5% of respondents prefer sports fields, i.e. football field, soccer field, baseball fields, are developed while 13.9% of respondents prefer sports courts, i.e. basketball court, tennis courts, pickleball courts, are developed.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

There are many capital improvements necessary for the Sunnyside Park system to improve overall conditions of available facilities. One capital improvement that is already in the planning stage is the Historical Museum's structural repair. The structural repair are planned for the third story of the museum, as over time the structure has started to shift and needs a load bearing column placed from the top floor down to the basement in order to stabilize the building, thus stopping the roof from collapsing, and eliminating water leaks. This project is funded in the 2022 budget, and will need to be contracted out to architectural engineers to complete.

Another necessary capital improvement is the updating and renovation of multiple playgrounds within the Park system. Many of the playgrounds in the park system were constructed in the mid 1990's and early 2000's, and have not received any updating since their construction. Many playgrounds feature packed sand as their fall landing material, which is not up to current playground safety standards. A capital improvement needs to be made to each playground's landing materials. With that, a few playgrounds need play equipment removed due to damage or no-longer meeting safety requirements and replaced in addition to the replacement of landing material. These playgrounds are at the following parks: South Hill, Denny-Blaine, SunnyView, Upland, and Don-Hughes. The playground improvement at Upland Park will also

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need to include the reconstruction of the playground boarder, as it is currently broken and allowing fall material to spread out of playground areas.

Other necessary capital improvements are listed within the project recommendation table below. Other than items found in the funded category, these items are categorized by their need according to the Community. The listed items include suggestions from employees, and suggestions taken from community surveys, community conversation and public input hearings.

PROJECT RECOMMENDATIONS

Below is table 4-1, which lists park improvement projects. The table displays the type of need for the project, either “high need”, “medium need” and “low need” , as well as the City Council’s priorities which are numbered in order of completion by need level.

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Table 4-1 PROJECT RECOMMENDATIONS						
Council Priority Number	Recommendations	Funded 2022-2023	High 2024-2025	Medium 2026-2027	Low 2028-2029	Funding Source
	Pool Slide Shade Covering	X				General Fund
	Senior Center Flooring Renovation	X				General Fund
	ADA Chair Lift for Pool	X				General Fund
	Museum Structural Repair	X				General Fund
	Enclosed Gable-Ends at the Pool	X				General Fund
	South Hill Park Irrigation Redesign	X				General Fund
	Bleacher Slab at Central Park	X				General Fund
	Training Pool Repair	X				General Fund
1	Renovation of Playground at Upland Park					General Fund + Granting Sources
2	Renovation of Playground at Don Hughes Park					General Fund + Granting Sources
3	Renovation of Playground at South Hill Park					General Fund + Granting Sources
4	Renovation of playground at Denny-Blaine Park					General Fund + Granting Sources
5	Cross Walk placed in front of South Hill Park					General Fund + Granting Sources
6	Renovation of playground at SunnyView Park. Pedestrian					General Fund + Granting Sources
1	Continuation of Walking Trail at South Hill Park					General Fund + Granting Sources
2	Lighting fixtures placed in parks near commonly graffiti-ed areas.					General Fund + Granting Sources
3	Tina Knoth Park – Landscaping, Benches, lighting					General Fund
4	Tina Knoth Park – Development of Restroom Facilities					
5	Development of additional walking trails or paths					
6	Expansion of Lower Valley Pathway westward					
7	Development of additional bike trails or paths					
8	Acquisition of land for additional trails					
1	Automated Splash Pad at South Hill Park					
2	Development of sports courts in existing parks					
3	Concession Stand Built at Pool					
4	Acquisition of land for additional sports fields					

FINANCING OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Capital facilities are defined as a structure, improvement, piece of equipment, other major asset, including land that serve a public purpose and have a useful life of at least ten years. Capital improvement projects create, expand, or modify a capital facility, with costs typically exceeding \$10,000.00. The development of a six-year capital facilities plan should include improvements that are necessary, along with potential funding sources. While in some instances new public funding sources will need to be identified, existing methods for public and private revenue collection should be used to finance improvements. The funding sources identified below are potential long-term choices that may be available to the City for capital improvement projects. The sources will depend on the status of the City's existing financial commitments, capital required, cash flow requirements, source availability, and whether the source is acceptable to the city. Any package selected must provide sufficient revenue to construct system improvements as well as satisfying any debt services.

General Revenue Sources:

General revenue sources are those sources that derive from a charge against all residents (or service users) irrespective of whether they are the result of new growth or are prior residents. More commonly in public finance, "general revenues" also refer to governmental revenues as in "general fund." In governmental services, financed by governmental funds, these charges are commonly expressed in the form of taxes, especially the property tax as it relates to financing public facilities. They also include funds shared with the local government on the basis of a formula. In governmental enterprises, such as taxes and utilities, these charges take the form of rates or similar user charges.

Governmental Services:

General revenue sources for governmental facilities include operating sources and voter approved tax levies. A complicated array of revenues, taxes, fees, user charges, fines, interest earnings, shared revenues, etc., support governmental services of any local government. While there are a number of such sources, most local governments rely primarily on taxes for general governmental facilities, with shared revenues becoming an increasingly important source. A very common way to fund smaller capital facilities is directly out of operational budgets. Most local governments will finance small park facilities and street projects in this manner. Local

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governments may finance major facilities from operating revenues, but such financing requires either some period of prolonged savings or a bond levy. Some local governments have established separate capital funds, allocating a specified amount of general revenues to the fund each year. Smaller capital needs are then budgeted from these funds. This technique reduces year-to-year "competition" for needed capital projects with operating needs of the various departments. Other jurisdictions will budget these projects out of its regular operating fund. There are two common techniques by which local governments seek to fund larger facilities from these operating funds. The first, and most common is the inside levy, also known as "councilmanic bonds". State law, implementing the State Constitution, allows cities and counties to incur debt up to a limit of 1.5 percent of their assessed value without a vote of the people. This debt, however, is not paid off with additional taxes, but instead is retired out of the regular taxes of the jurisdiction. Consequently, the use of this type of debt reduces the amount of revenue available for operations.

Second, local governments may establish special funds to accumulate enough revenue over a period of years to allow financing a large facility. Operating revenues also include revenue from other levels of government, some of which are limited to capital purposes. While some shared revenue sources are shared with little restriction on how they might be used, other categories must be used for specified purposes but are not limited to particular projects. Some of these categories are limited to capital projects. Most of these shared revenues are taxes collected by the State and then distributed to local governments on the basis of a formula, which attempts to reflect the need for the funds (usually based on population).

In addition, another category of operating taxes is limited to capital facilities is the real estate excise tax. In many jurisdictions, this is a small and very irregular source of revenue. There are two major limitations on the use of operating revenue (that is not otherwise dedicated to the jurisdiction). This is usually sought as an authority to incur a specified debt, for a set number of years, for a specific purpose.

Impact Fees:

The GMA has added to the available tools for financing growth-related facilities. One of the most significant, and complex, is a provision for imposing impact fees. The adoption of impact fees as a part of the GMA was the result of a series of political compromises, which sought on one hand to provide clear authority for local governments to impose such fees for growth-related

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facilities, while at the same time responding to the criticism that the development community has had of the SEPA mitigation system. Consequently, the provisions of the GMA relating to impact fees are complex and extensively limited and conditioned. The GMA and the impact fees have the following significant characteristics:

- The GMA allows impact fees to be imposed to assist in financing public facilities provided for in the Capital Improvement Plan.
- Fees must be reasonably related to the impact of the development (in growth management terms, this means that a "nexus" is required between the development's impacts and the use of the fee).
- Fees must be proportionate to the development's share of costs for facilities which "reasonably benefit" the development.
- Fees must be used within six years or be refunded to the developer.
- Fees must provide needed revenue not available from other sources.
- Fees must be part of an overall program to eliminate public facility needs in a reasonable time frame.
- Fees must be based on a formula or other method of calculating impact fees.
- Fees may be adjusted due to unusual circumstances to ensure that the fees are imposed fairly. These conditions represent tests that must be met by each local government's system in order to withstand potential legal challenge.

Another statute (RCW 39.92) authorizes the City to establish local transportation improvement areas within which impact fees may be collected for transportation improvements. This authority has some advantages over the GMA impact fee for designated areas. It may be particularly appropriate as a means to finance transportation improvements in the industrial areas west of the railroad tracks when the area becomes "ready" for development

External Financing Sources (Grants):

Revenue may also be shared for financing a particular project. This type of revenue sharing occurs in the form of grants. Historically, grants were an extremely important source of revenue for capital facilities. However, the demise of many federal programs has resulted in a dramatic reduction in the availability of grant funds for capital projects. While grants were a fairly reliable source that could be anticipated from year to year, their availability is now difficult

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to foretell. Grants are awarded on the basis of the need for a particular project. As this source of funds declined, the criteria for the award of grants now tend to accent a need derived from a preexisting condition. Projects needed to support new growth are more difficult to secure than a project designed to alleviate an existing problem.

Aquatic Land Enhancement Account (ALEA):

The ALEA grant program is administered by the Department of Natural Resources. ALEA funds are limited to water dependent public access/recreation projects or on-site interpretive projects. A local match of 25 percent is required.

Outdoor Recreation Grant-in-Aid Funding (IAC):

The Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (IAC) provides grant-in-aid funding for the acquisition, development, and renovation of outdoor recreation facilities. Park and boating program grants require 50 percent local match.

Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program:

The Washington state Recreation and Conservation office administers the WWRP grant, which provides funding for a broad range of land protection and outdoor recreation, including local and state parks, trails, water access, and the conservation and restoration of state land. The recreation side of the WWRP grant requires a match of either: Applicant's labor, equipment, and materials, or appropriations or cash, or bonds, donations of cash, land, labor, equipment, and materials.

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Chapter 5- Goals, Objectives and Policies

The following goals, and their corresponding objectives, reflect the community's desired outcomes and provide a strategic framework for the parks, recreation, and open space plan.

ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES AND GOALS

Within the City's Comprehensive plan, there are three administrative goals and policies written out regarding Parks, Recreation and Open Space. These goals and policies are as follows:

- GOAL 1:** To actively manage land use change and protect the City's character by developing city facilities and services in a way that directs and controls land use patterns and intensities.
- Policy 1.1** Ensure that new development does not outpace the City's ability to provide and maintain adequate public facilities and services, by allowing new development to occur only when and where adequate facilities exist or will be provided.
- Policy 1.2** Development within the unincorporated portion of the urban growth area shall be encouraged to occur only on a limited scale to prevent inefficient use and distribution of public facilities and services.
- Policy 1.3** To facilitate planned growth, the City encourages combining and assisting in service areas such as fire protection, public transit, water/sewer, criminal justice and administration, where such combinations implement efficient, cost effective delivery of such services.
- Policy 1.4** Future land uses will be coordinated with the Transportation and Capital Facilities Elements of the Comprehensive Plan.

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- GOAL 2:** Expand the range of recreation opportunities for citizens of Sunnyside to the fullest extent possible.
- Policy 2.1** Use preference identification as a basis for identifying what facilities are most needed in the community and as a basis for the development of capital programming.
- Policy 2.2** The City will encourage multiple use of public facilities that could be used for childcare, youth facilities, senior activities, meetings and other functions.
- GOAL 3:** To provide a comprehensive system of parks, trails, pathways, and open spaces that responds to the recreational, cultural, environmental and aesthetic needs and desires of the city's residents.
- Policy 3.1** Recognize the important recreational transportation roles played by regional bicycle/trail systems, and support efforts to develop a regional trail system through Sunnyside.
- Policy 3.2** Support the development of paths and marked roadways that link bicycle trails with Sunnyside's other resources
- Policy 3.3** Utilize recreation and open space lands and facilities as a means of enhancing community image and the general quality of life. Strive to accomplish the following:
- Providing a balance of active and passive recreational uses in both existing and proposed parks with a priority on pedestrian access to the natural environment. Active recreational uses include programmed parks with play fields and ball courts, while passive parks feature pathways, benches and picnic tables.
 - Encouraging the development of recreational activities that meet the needs of the residents of Sunnyside, and where feasible using existing public schools as neighborhood parks and recreation/community center locations.
 - Continuing to work with the Sunnyside School District using joint use agreements to increase available parkland and facilities.
 - Planning bike and jogging trails in the community that serve local needs and link differing neighborhoods.

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- Limiting the use of open lands designated to remain in their natural state to those activities which will:
 - A) Maintain their scenic beauty and aesthetic qualities; and B) Provide for recreational activities compatible with these goals.

RECREATION SERVICES

The recreation division of Sunnyside Parks and Recreation has set out to achieve the following goals and objectives.

GOAL 1 Create a sense of Community through services at the Community Center, which enables a safe and secure environment, thus enhancing quality of life in Sunnyside.

Objective 1.1 Create a policy establishing standard of quality regarding programming, participant benefits acquired from programming, and number of programs by year-end of 2023.

Objective 1.2 Develop a policy before year-end of 2023 regarding program evaluations, which focus on benefits, delivered to participants through each program, and longevity of identified benefits.

GOAL 2 Sustain delivery of broad-based parks, facilities, programs and other services.

Objective 2.1 Develop a departmental policy before year-end of 2023 regarding cost-recovery rates for facility rentals, programs, events, and other services.

Objective 2.2 Develop a departmental policy regarding gifts, donations and planned giving before year-end of 2026.

PARK OPERATIONS

The parks division of Sunnyside Parks and Recreation has set out to achieve the following goals and objectives.

GOAL 1 Sustain delivery of broad-based parks, facilities and other services.

Objective 1.1 Provide adequate staff year-round to maintain and enhance park facilities and

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services.

Objective 1.2 Provide a system of parks, trails and open space so that all residents that live within City limits have safe route to a developed park or trail.

GOAL 2 Provide money in the capital budget for park improvements, such as renovating playgrounds, adding landscaping to certain parks, and development of paths and trails.

Objective 2.1 Renovate playgrounds at South Hill, Denny-Blaine, SunnyView, Upland, and Don-Hughes Parks, including play structure and the addition of new landing material to ensure the safety and wellbeing of users before year-end 2028.

Objective 2.2 Expand the walking trail at South Hill Park by connecting the pathway from the tennis court area, all of the way around to community center main walkway, by year-end 2025.

LONG RANGE OBJECTIVE

The City's long-range objective for the 2022-2028 Parks, Recreation and Open Space plan is as follows: strive to provide community-driven, high quality parks, facilities, programs and opportunities to the residents of Sunnyside while promoting a safe, secure environment.



Chapter 6 – Public Participation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY – COMMUNITY SURVEY

The Community Survey was the main tool utilized to collect information from Sunnyside residents regarding parks, recreation programs and open space. The four-page survey was available in English and Spanish. It was posted online and available for pick up at City Hall. City residents who receive a water bill also received a notice about the survey with a QR code to scan in order to take the survey online in their November 30, 2021 bill statement. The survey was also advertised in the local weekly paper. The survey was open from October 18, 2021 to January 7, 2022. In total 100 responses of surveys were collected, scored and analyzed.

The survey shed light on many areas Sunnyside Parks and Recreation can improve upon, from programming to park maintenance. It also shone a light upon Sunnyside residents' leisure attitudes, park preference and average usage of available facilities.

A community conversation was held on January 18, 2022, online over zoom, and was advertised online and in the local newspaper. Five people attended the online community conversation. Project recommendations were identified during this conversation, and questions regarding the community's needs were asked.

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DEMOGRAPHICS OF SURVEY RESPONDANTS

The average survey respondent was between the ages of 36-50 years old. The average respondent had two children under 18 living in their home. The majority of respondents have lived in Sunnyside for 20 years or longer, and live within Sunnyside city limits.

Other demographics that were collected in the survey pertain to leisure attitudes. On the average weekend, 12% of respondents spend more than four hours participating in recreational activities, while 32% spend two to four hours participating in recreational activities, 26% spend one to two hours, 7% spend half an hour to an hour, and 4% spend less than half an hour. 12% of respondents state that they spend no hours participating in recreational activities and 7% of respondents provided no response.

On the average weekday, only 11% of respondents spend more than two hours participating in recreational activities, 27% spends one to two hours, 21% spends half an hour to an hour, and 14% spends less than half an hour. 17% of respondents state that they spend no hours participating in recreational activities and 10% of respondents provided no response.

PARK VISITATION

The survey results show that Central Park is the community's favorite park, with 30.2% of respondents favoring it. South Hill Park received 12.8% favor. SunnyView Park is the community's third favorite, at 7.6% of respondents choosing it. The least favored park in the Sunnyside Park's system is Don Hughes, receiving only .017% of responses.

The survey found that the majority of parks in Sunnyside are not visited daily. Even the community's favorite park, Central, only received one daily usage response. The pool, when in season, receives the most daily visitors according to survey respondents. Central Park (one response), Upland Park (four responses), South Hill (two responses), Centennial Pathway (one response), and the Lower Valley (two responses) are visited daily according to the survey results. On a weekly basis, Central Park and the Pool (when in operation), are the most visited. On a weekly basis, Denny-Blaine and Don Hughes are the least visited. Monthly, Central Park, South Hill Park, SunnyView Park and Centennial Square receive the most visitors. Monthly, Denny-Blaine, Don Hughes and Upland are the least visited parks. Yearly, Centennial Square and Central Park receive the most visitors, and Denny-Blaine and Don Hughes receive the least amount of visitors. Survey respondents also had the option to select 'never' as a frequency of

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usage. 73 survey respondents stated that they never visit Denny-Blaine Park, 72 respondents stated they never visit Don Hughes Park, 69 survey respondents stated they never visit Railroad Park, and 64 respondents stated they never visit Kiwanis Youth Park.

Many people stated that they felt safe in Sunnyside Parks, with 11.3% of survey respondents strongly agreeing, and 44.3% percent of survey respondents agreeing with the statement “I feel safe in Sunnyside Parks”. Overall, that is 55.6% of survey respondents agreeing that they feel safe in the parks. People who disagreed with the statement, 26.8%, and strongly disagreed with the statement, 7.2%, often stated that crime, homeless people in the parks, lighting and other issues within the community as to reasons why they did not feel safe in Sunnyside Park Facilities.

COMMUNICATION

Survey results showed that almost 94.5% of respondents felt that they needed more information about the activities offered by the department. The next question within the survey asked the community how they would prefer to receive communication from the department regarding activities, facilities and other opportunities. 18.1% of respondents chose both, the City Website and the City/Department Facebook pages. 15.6% of respondents selected printed seasonal brochures, while 14.2% selected online seasonal brochures. 16% of respondents said they would prefer to opt-in to an email blast. 15.3% of respondents preferred flyers placed around town, and .04% of respondents preferred to provide no response to the question.

PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES

There were several closed-ended questions and several open-ended questions relating to park and recreation facilities. When presented with the statement: “I am satisfied with the park facilities in my area”, survey responses showed that over half agree, with 7.1% strongly agreeing and 47.5% of agreeing. When presented with the statement: “the quality of parks maintenance is good”, survey responses showed overwhelming support, with 45.7% of respondents agreeing, with 19.1% strongly agreeing. Disagreement with the statement regarding the good quality of park maintenance was the most notable with 26.6% of survey responses. When presented with the statement “the parks are available for my family to use” 20.4% strongly agree, 56.1% agree, 11.2% disagree, .01% strongly disagrees, and 11.2% provided no response.

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When asked if the number of parks is adequate, 65% of survey respondents said that yes, the number of parks is adequate. 22% said no, the number of parks were not adequate, and 13% preferred not to provide a response. When asked if the park locations were convenient, 78% of respondents said yes, 10% said no, and 12% preferred to provide no response.

In an open comment sections regarding the number of parks and convenience of parks locations, the people of Sunnyside presented an overarching theme; the poor condition of many playgrounds within the Parks System. Below is a sampling of comments from the survey:

- *Number of parks adequate, however playgrounds needs to be improved greatly.*
- *Sunnyside severely lacks safe playgrounds for kids to go to. We end up driving to Prosser or the Tri-Cities to find a good park. The Playground of dreams in Kennewick, and Prosser City Park are good examples of what Sunnyside could use. We tend to find broken bottles, damaged equipment, and darkly lit areas near the playsets.*
- *South Hill Park needs to be updated. Toys are worn out, theres usually graffiti on the bathroom or community center. So many people use the park to walk, why not add a pathway or walk way to make it friendly. The tennis courts are always closed the horse shoe pits are not maintained, weeds, grass and they are hidden. There is so much potential to these park and it's just not being utilized like it should. More trees would be great. A second toy area maybe or volley ball nets. So many people bring there own nets in the summer to this park.*
- *The up keep of equipment such as the slides or swings needs to be handled in a timely manner rather than leaving them broken with cones not to be used. Additionally, the parks need to be watered, weeded and mowed in the summer months. Upland Park was a dust bowl when we tried to use the park this past summer. We understand the heat however up keep could be done in the early morning hours. Central Park upkeep is better and I can't speak to all of the others but it shouldn't matter where the park is located. A little more pride needs to be taken. Love our community!*
- *We have many parks but they look so out dated. We need new playground equipment, slides, monkey bars, climbing area. We drive to another city even though we have a park in our backyard, please SUNNYSIDE make our parks more enjoyable for our children....*

RECREATION PROGRAMS

Prior to 2008, Sunnyside Parks and Recreation was one department, under one director, with multiple full time staff and robust program offerings. After the economic crisis of 2008, the recreation team was eliminated to cut down on non-essential costs, and the parks team moved into the Public Works department. This created years of negative impacts on the community.

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In 2014, the City funded one recreation coordinator position, which four people have held intermittently since then. The 2020 pandemic closure greatly affected the limited amount of programming for the department. When presented with a question regarding future improvements to the Parks system, 16.1% of survey respondents stated they would like to see additional programming staff for the recreation department. When the community was presented with the statement, ‘there are enough programs for children’, the results were not surprising with the majority disagreeing with the statement; 41.2% disagreed and 29.9% strongly disagreed. When survey respondents were presented with the statement, ‘there are enough programs for teens’, 50% disagreed and 26% strongly disagreed. When presented with the statement ‘there are enough programs for senior citizens’, 34.4% disagreed, 24.4% strongly disagreed, 22.2% agreed as there are limited programs provided by the Senior Center, 1.1% strongly agreed, and 17.8% preferred not to provide a response. When presented with the statement “‘there are enough programs for adults”, there were zero strongly agreeing responses, 16.5% agreed, 39.4% disagreed, and 30.3% strongly disagreed.

Survey results demonstrated a great need for new recreation programs and opportunities. A common theme emerged regarding youth sports. Eighty-three percent of survey respondents stated there are activities and programs they would like see offered. Many survey respondents expressed a need for instructional youth sport opportunities, as the other community youth sports groups in operation are very competitive making it hard for youth to join in if they have not learned how to play the sport. Prior to the 2020 pandemic closure, 24.2% of survey respondents’ utilized youth sports programming offered by Sunnyside Parks and Recreation.

Survey results show that the community feels it is unformed of upcoming events and activities offered by the department, with 21% of survey respondents selecting this reason as a barrier to participation. Other barriers to participation include, lack of time (18.9%), scheduling problems (17.5%), lack of money (12.6%), not caring for the organization (7.7%) and not interested in what’s available (6.3%). 9.1% of survey respondents chose not to provide an answer about barriers to participation.

GRAPHS OF COMMUNITY SURVEY RESULTS

The following graphs display the results of the survey of the community taken between October 2021 and January 2022. Graphs are in order of questions asked in the survey, and display the data from close-ended questions. Data from open-ended questions can be found in

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appendix 2- comments from community survey. Graphs do not include questions regarding recreational interests beside the data focused on time spent recreating, which can be found in appendix 3- recreational interests' data.

Recreation & Aquatic Programs

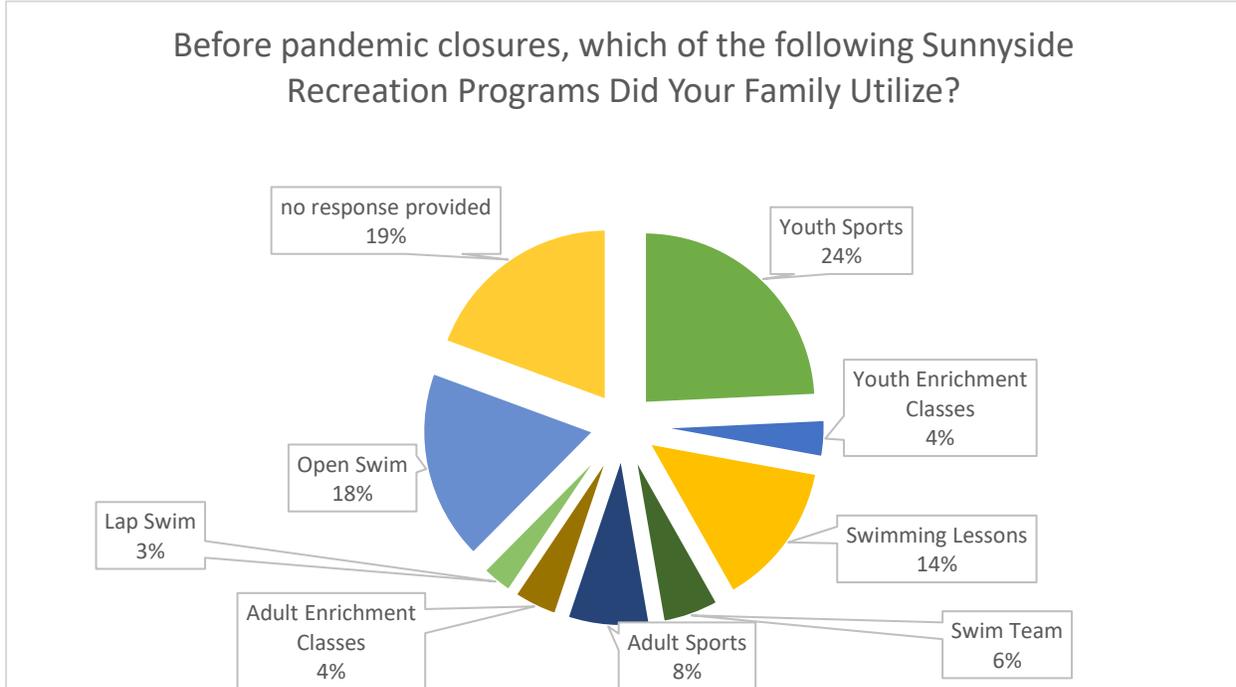
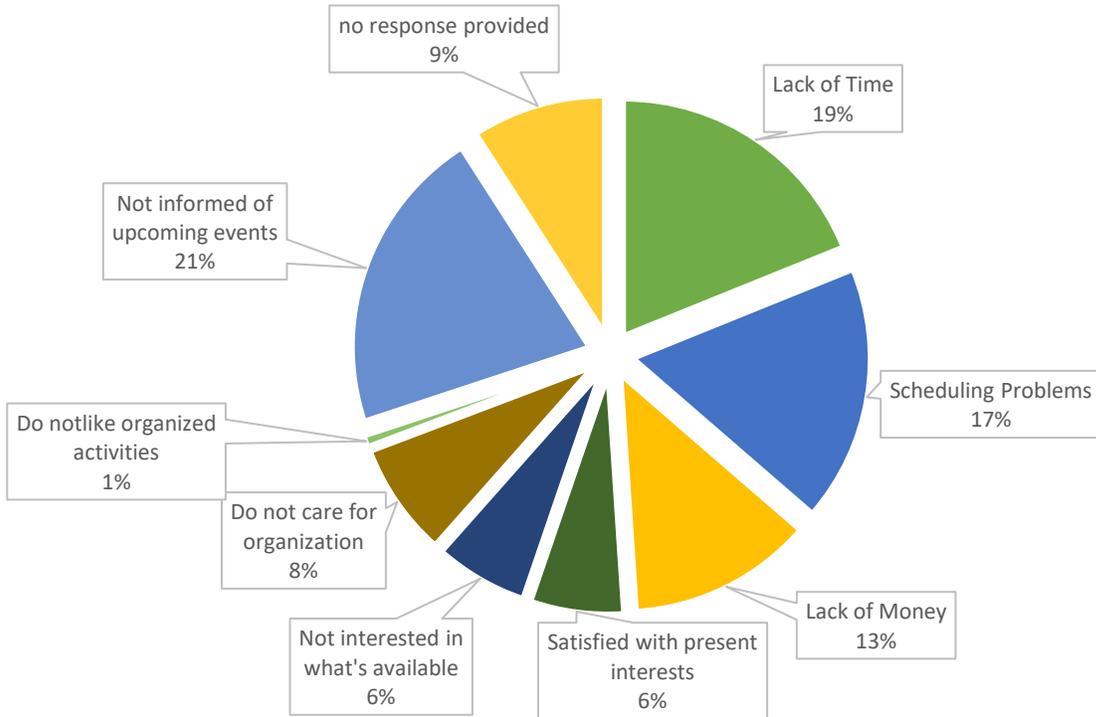


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Check items that prevent you from participating in Sunnyside Recreation and Aquatics Programs (before pandemic)



How much do you agree with the following statements:
I am satisfied with park facilities in my area.

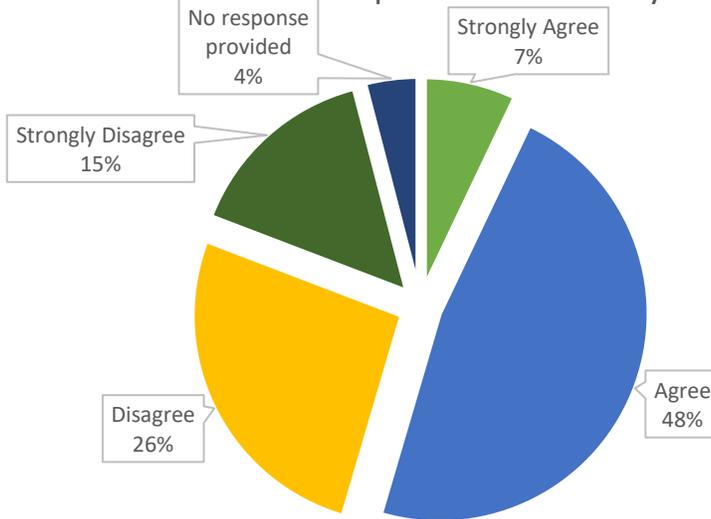
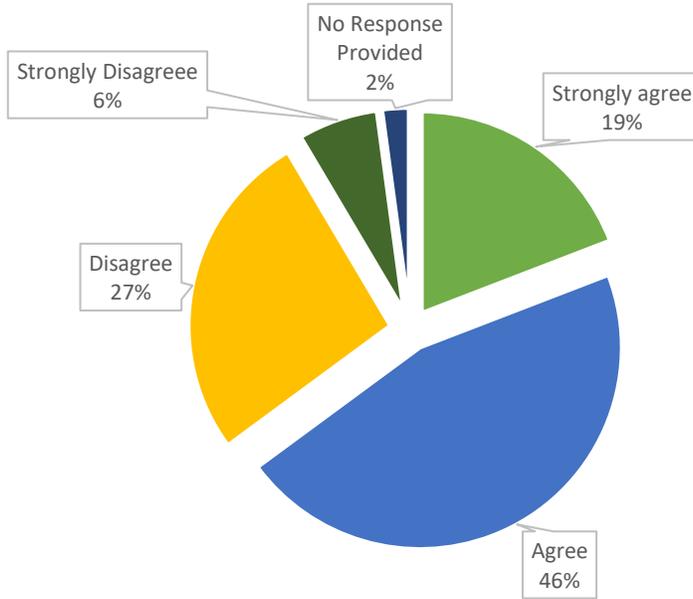


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How much do you agree with the following statements:
The quality of park maintenance is good.



How much do you agree with the following statements:
More park space is needed in my area

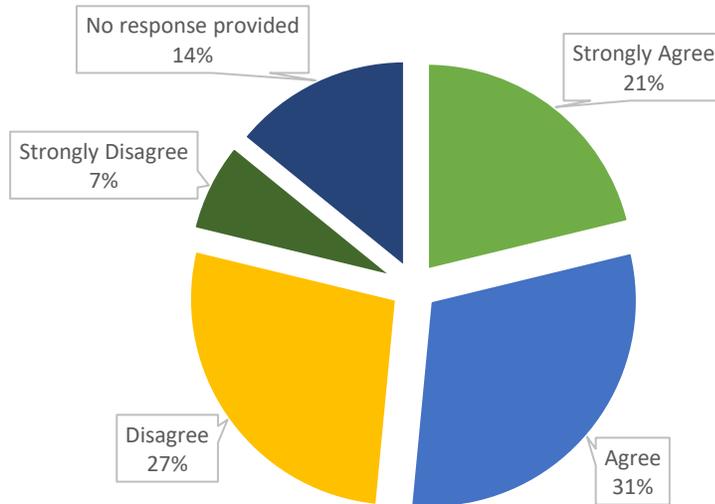
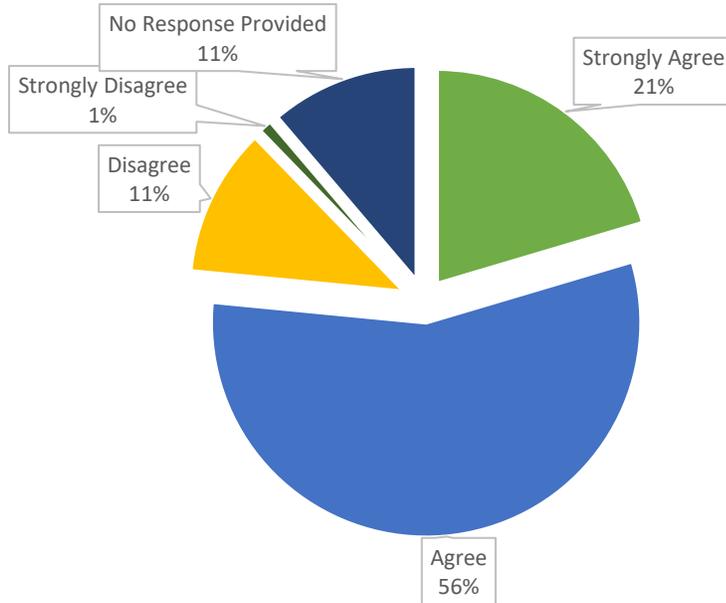


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How much do you agree with the following statements:
The parks are available for my family to use



How much do you agree with the following statements:
I feel safe in Sunnyside Parks

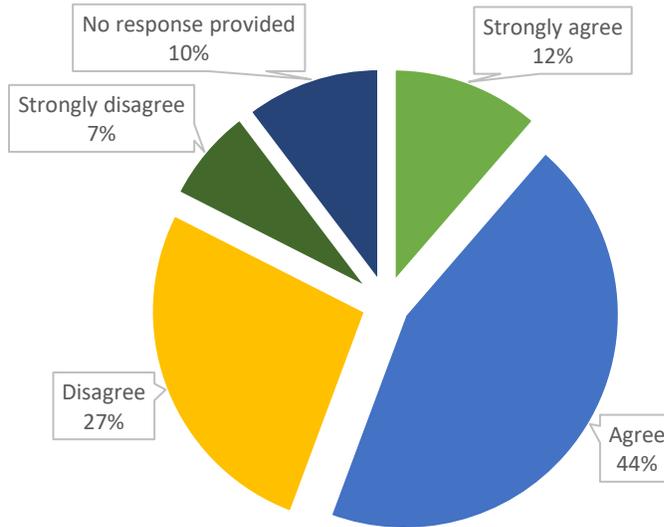
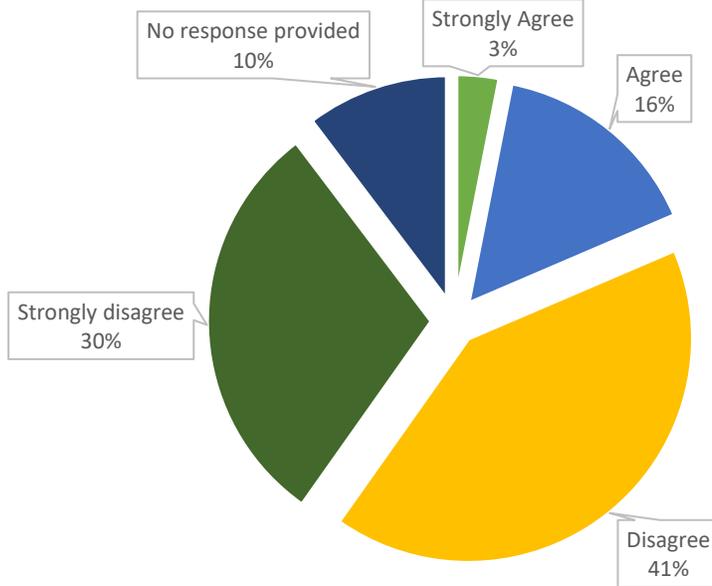


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How much do you agree with the following statements:
There are enough programs for children



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There are enough programs for teens

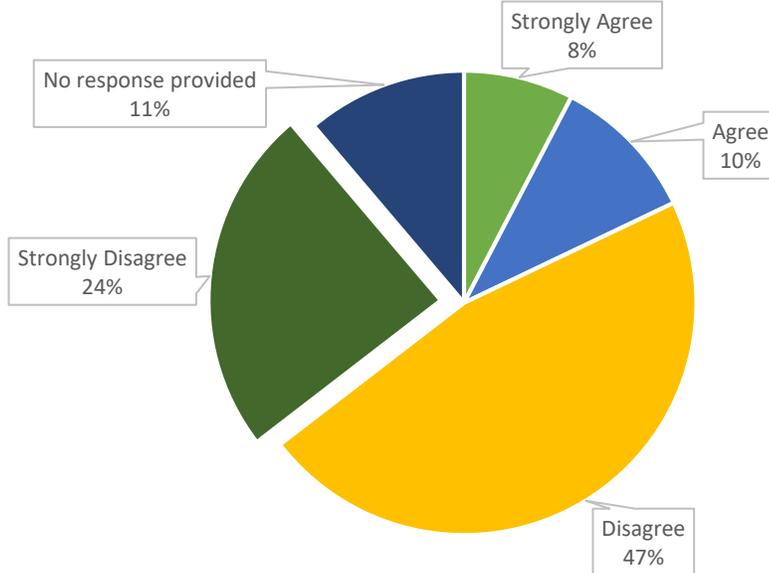
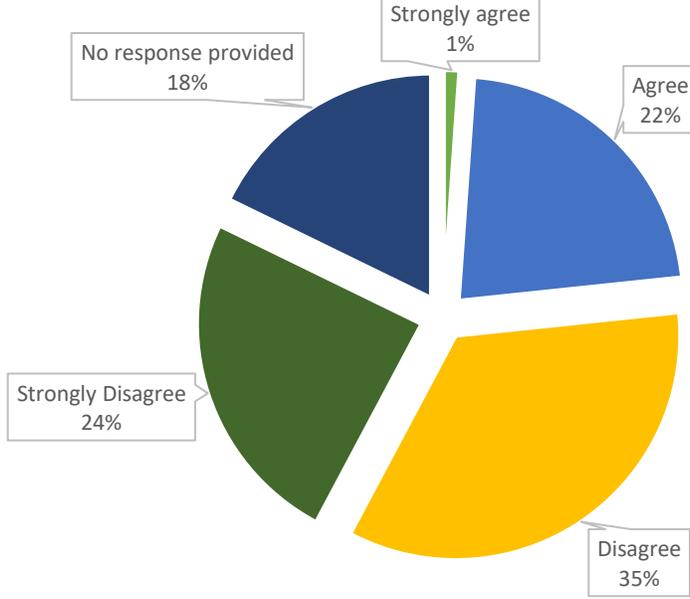


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There are enough programs for senior citizens



How much do you agree with the following statements:
There are enough programs for adults

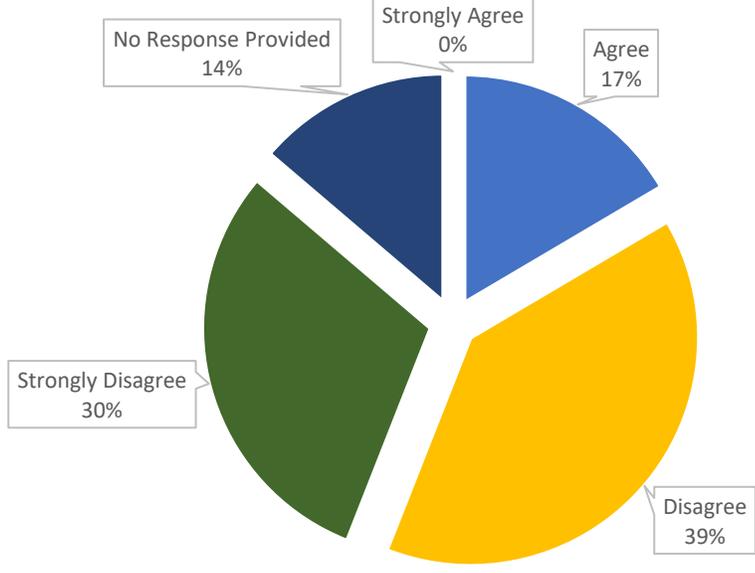


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I need more information about the activities offered by
Sunnyside Parks & Recreation Department

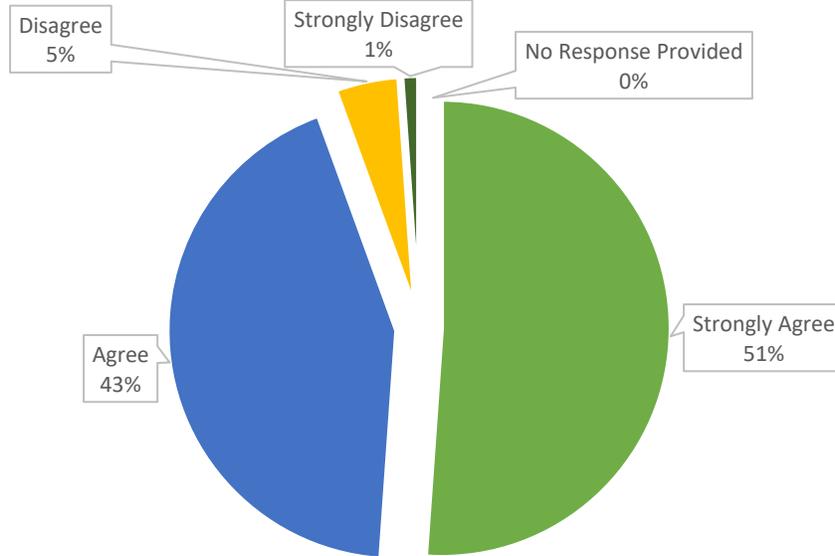
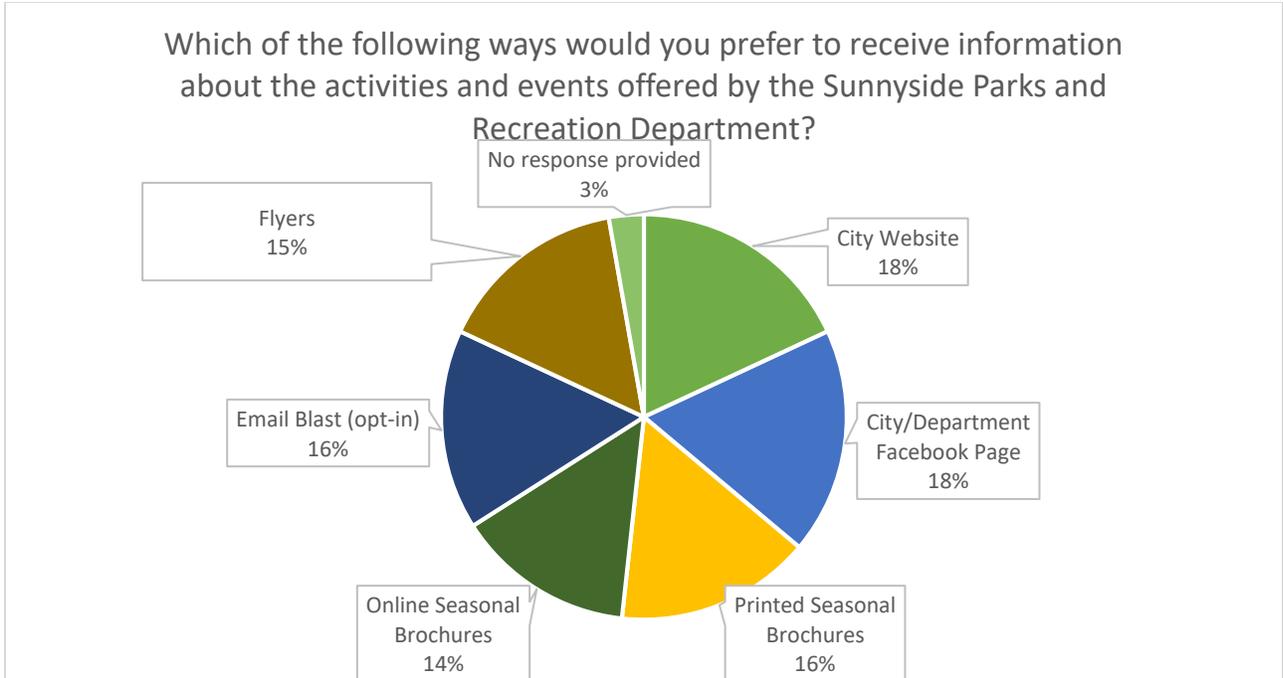


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Park Facilities

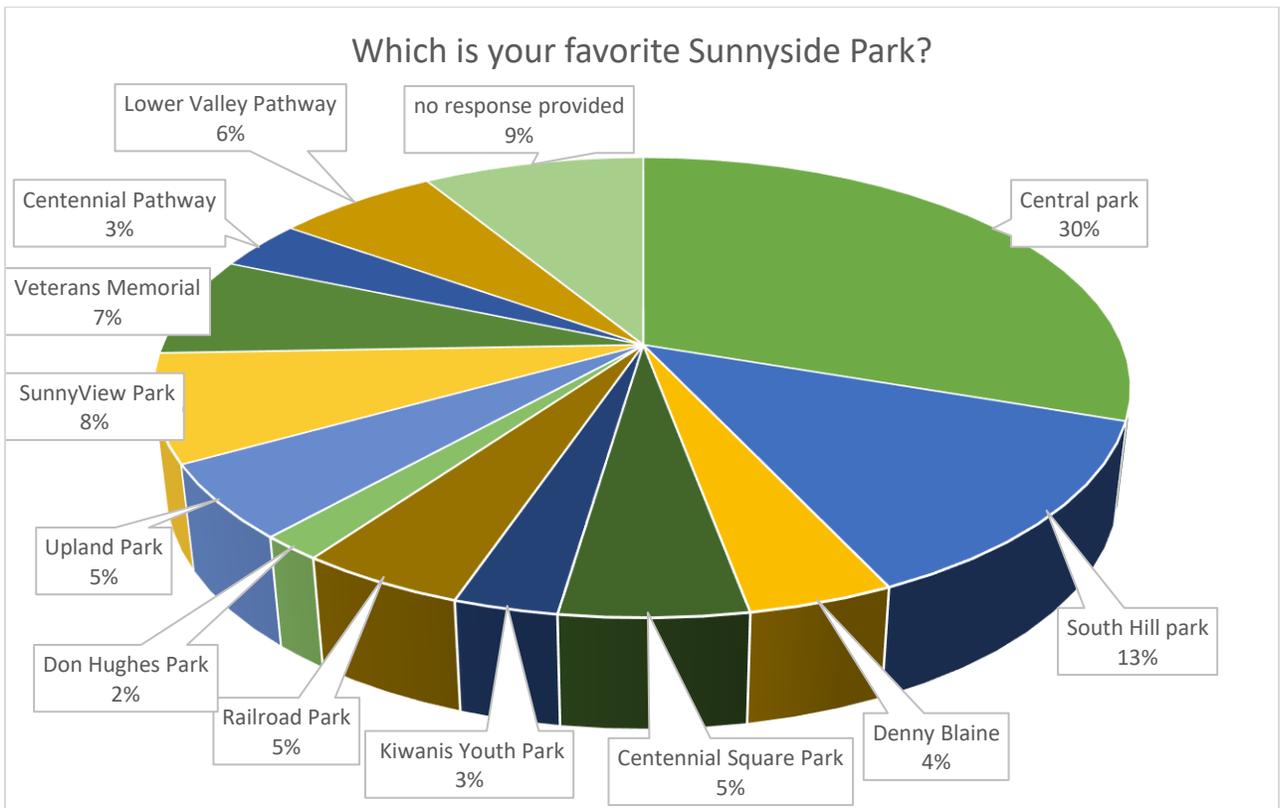


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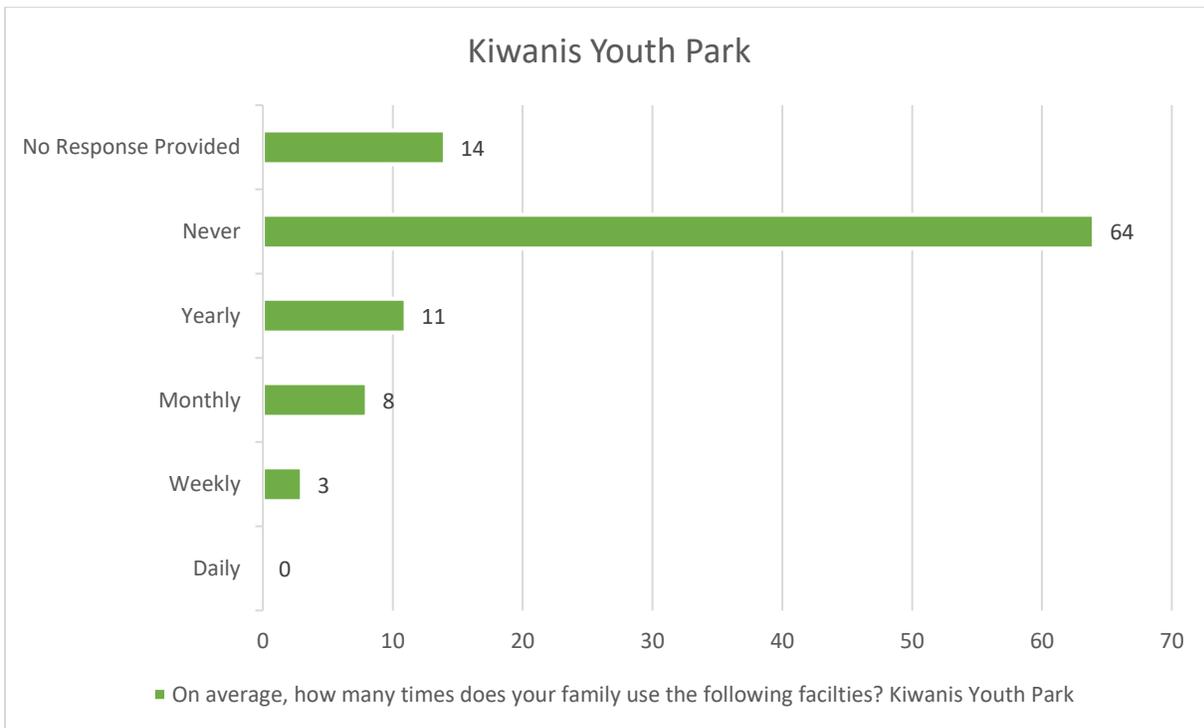
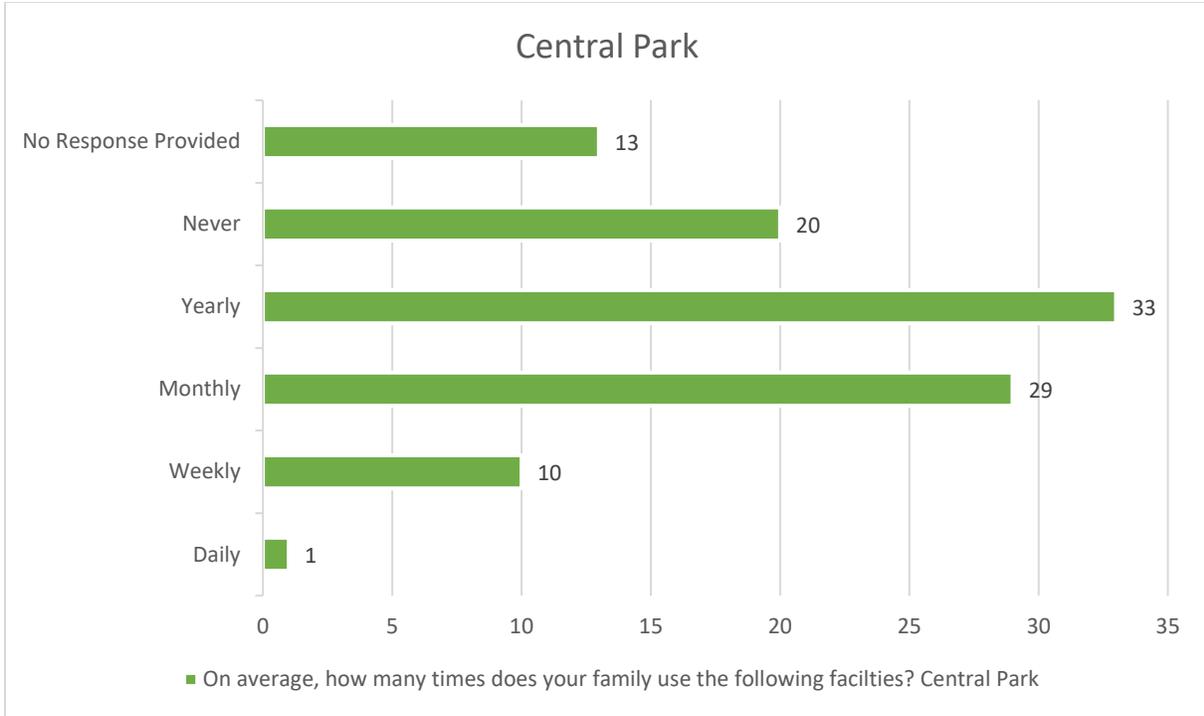


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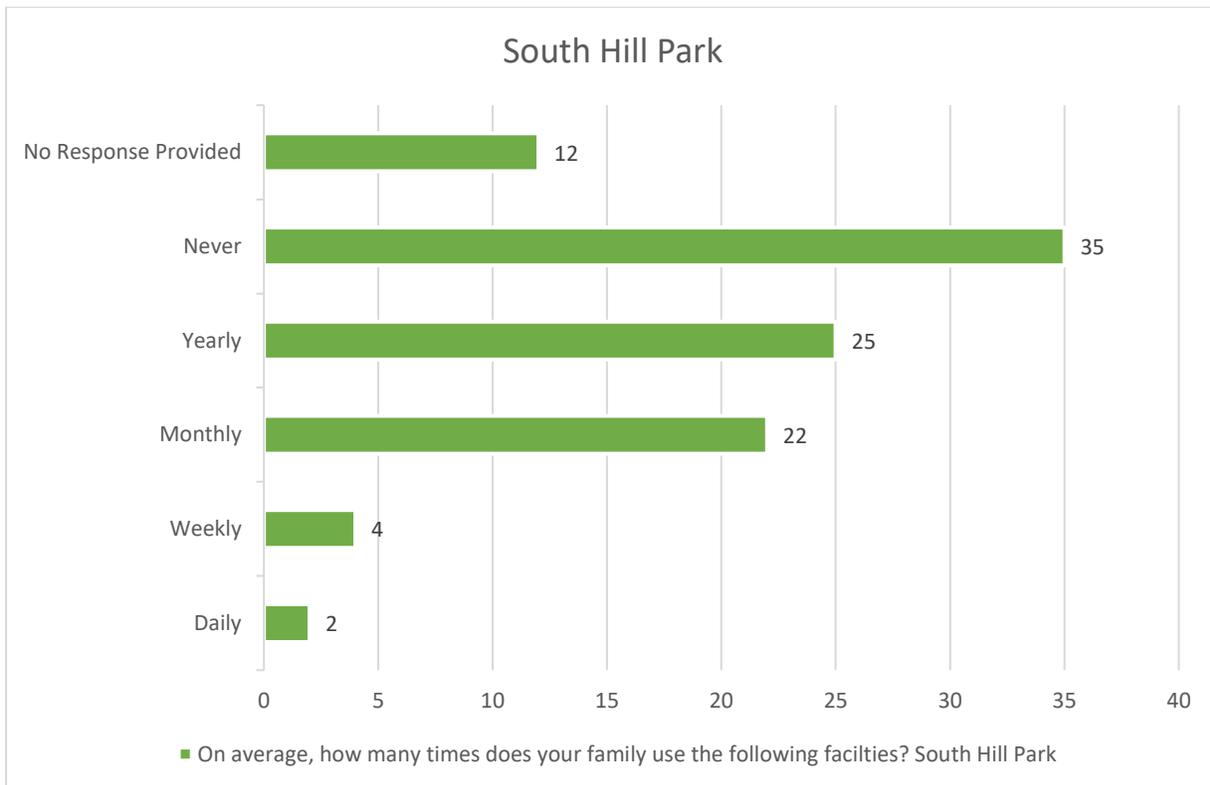
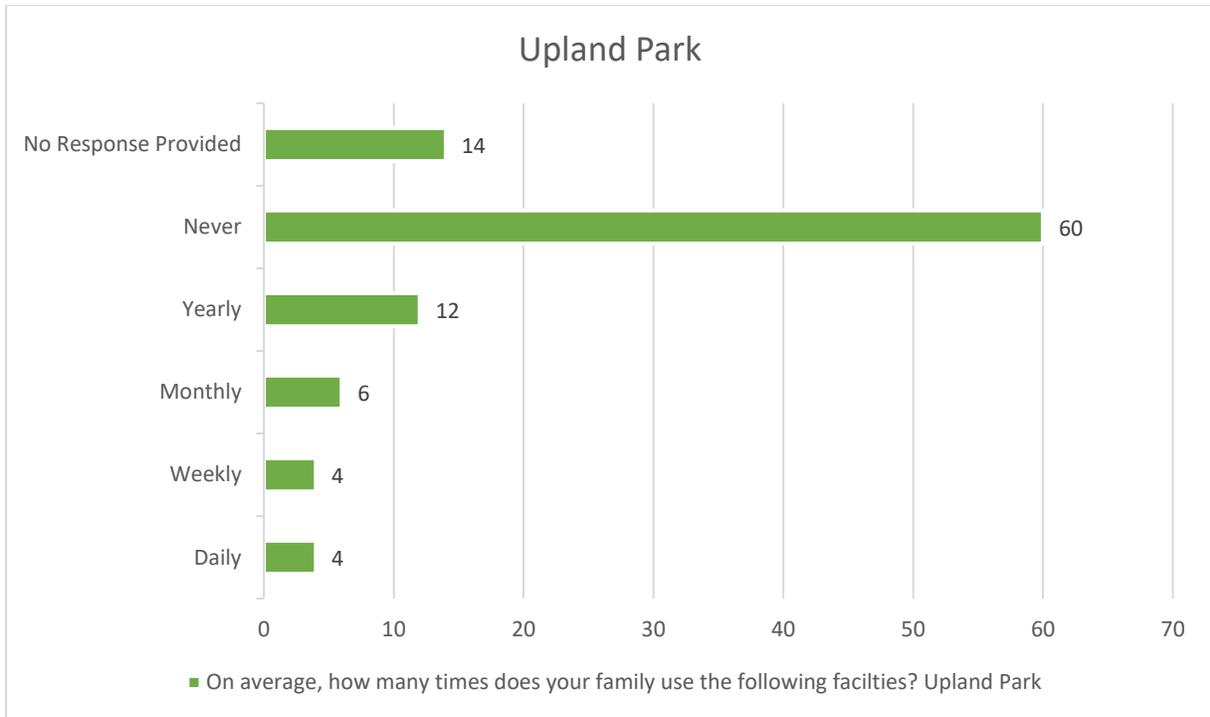


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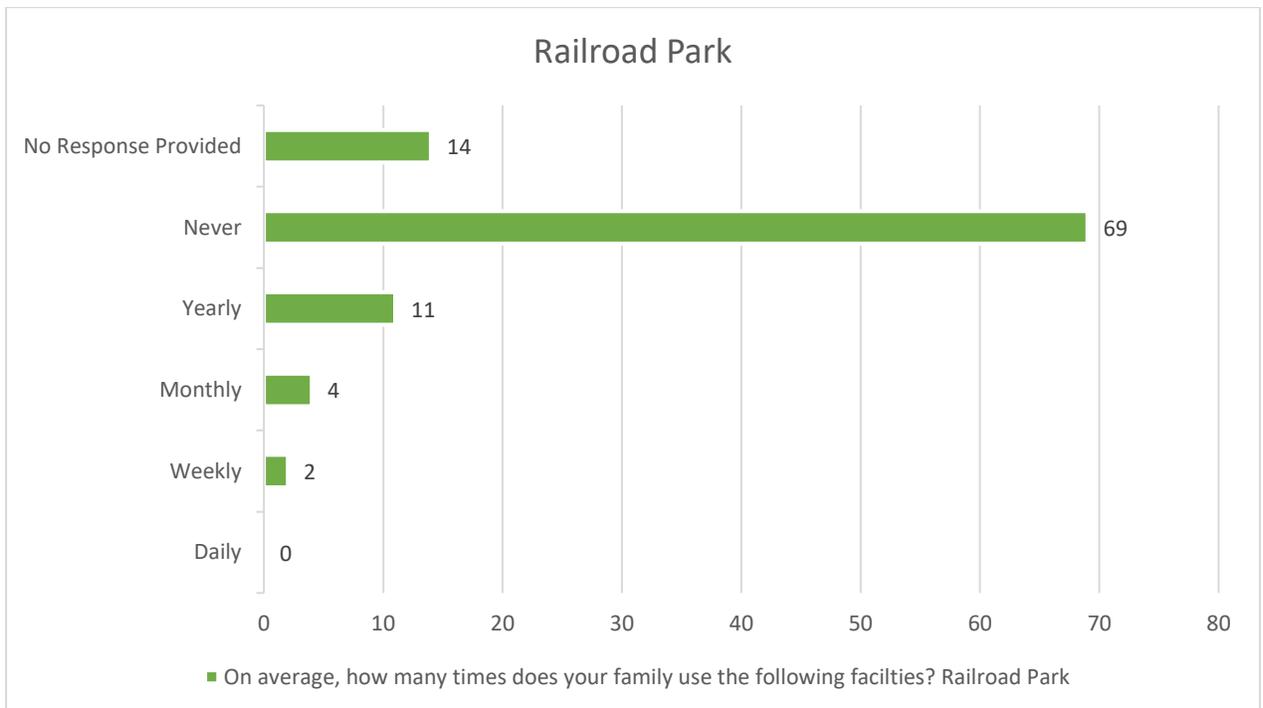
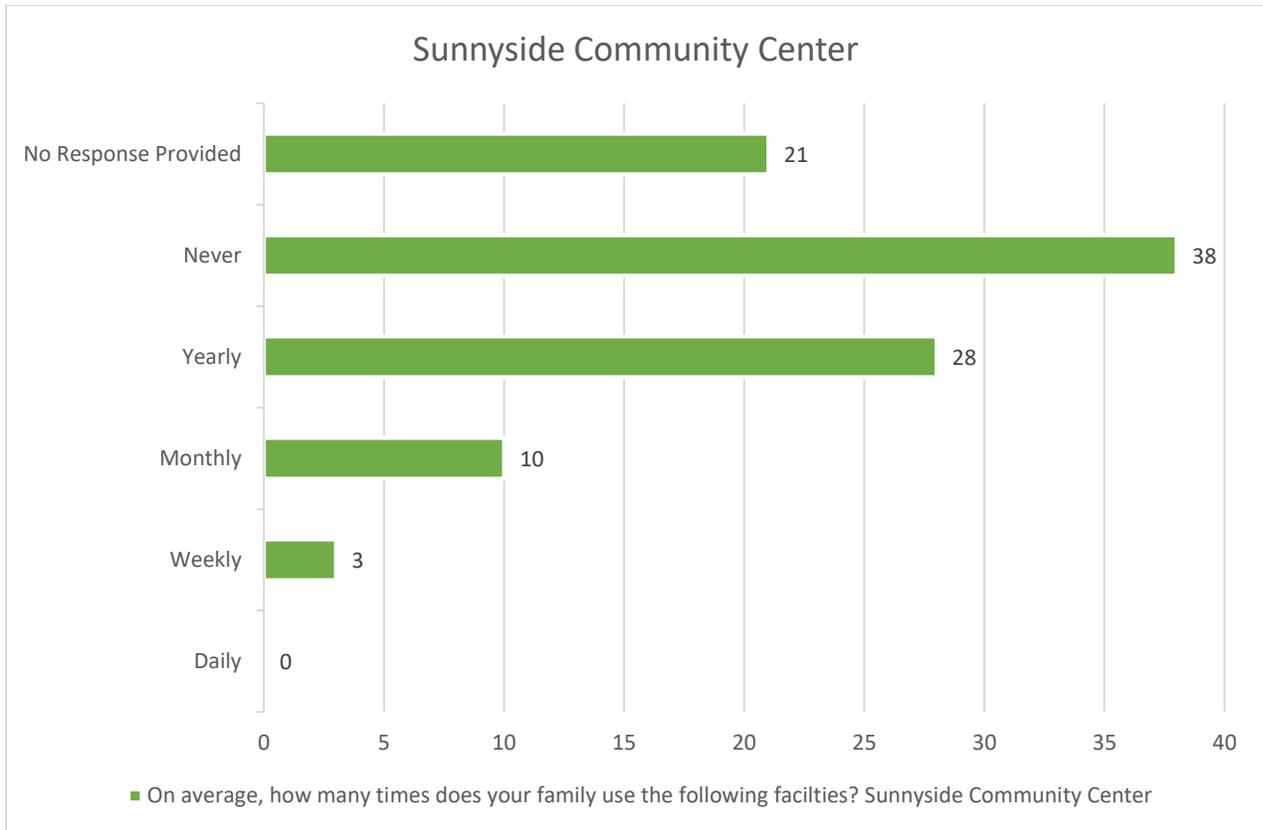


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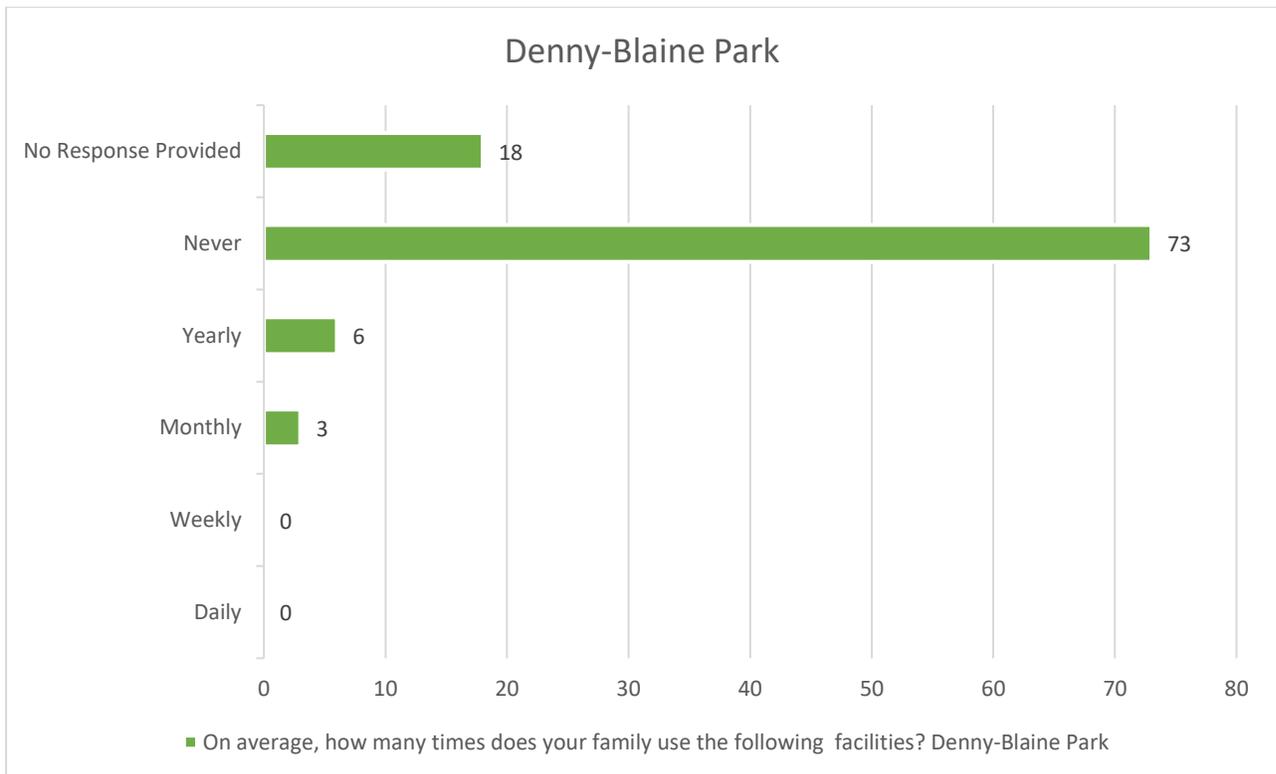
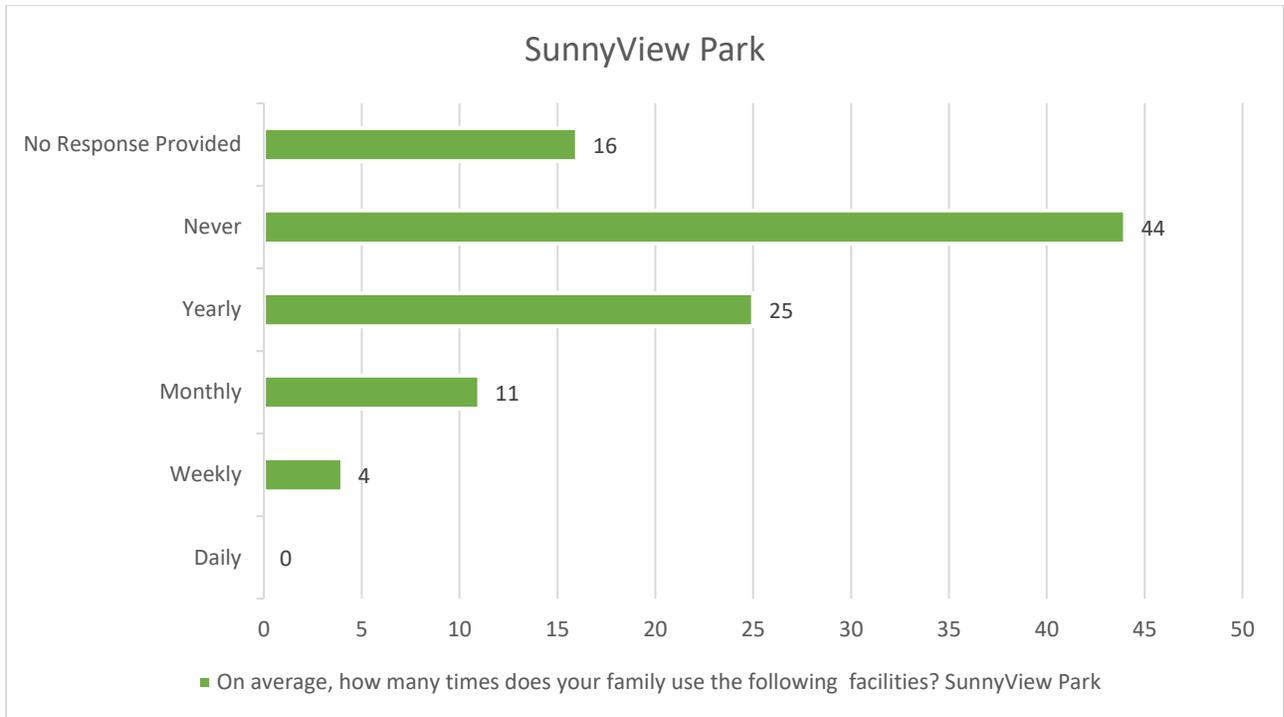


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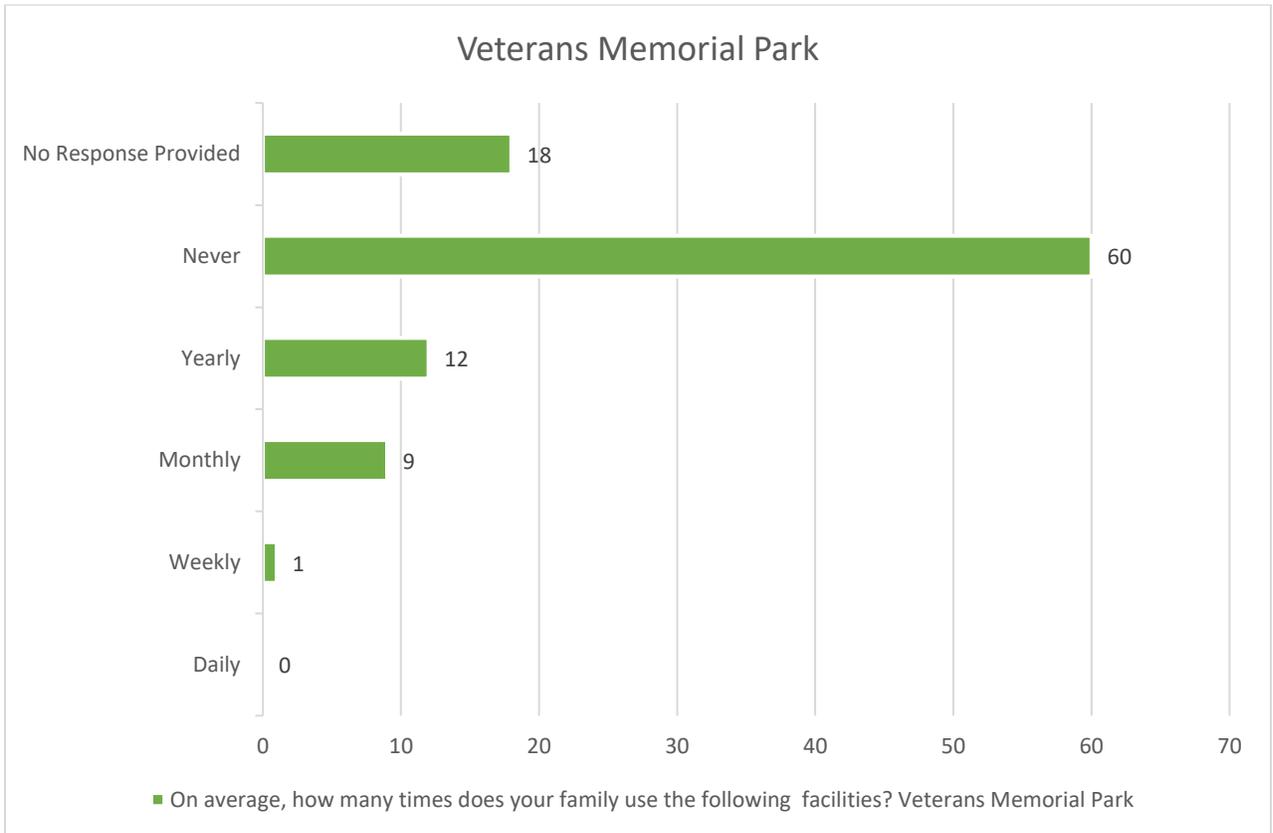
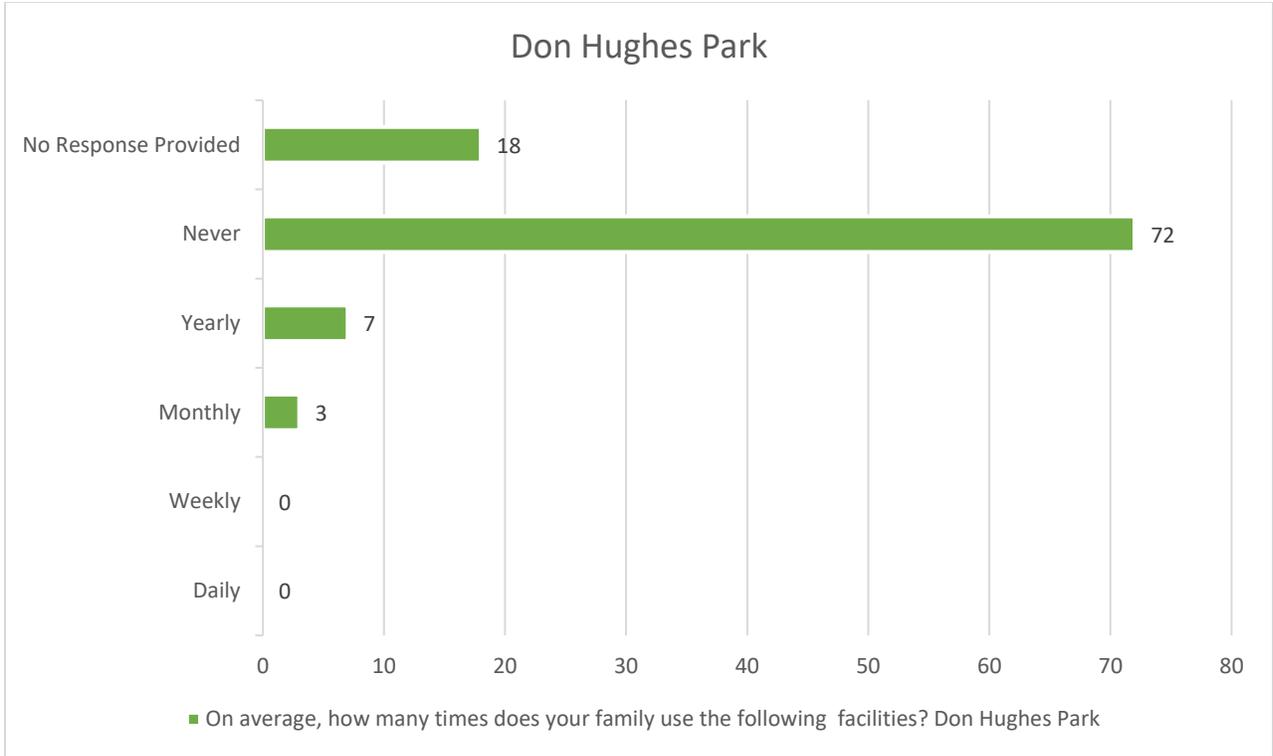


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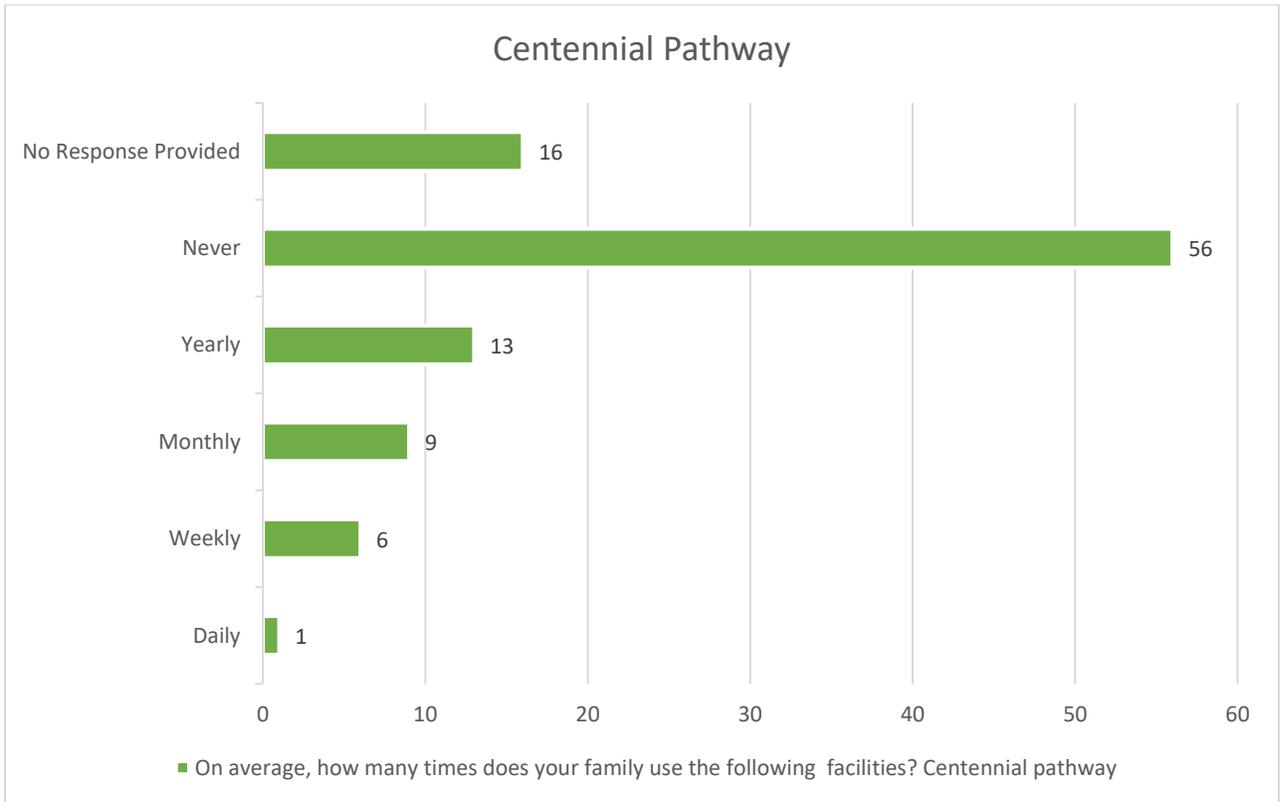
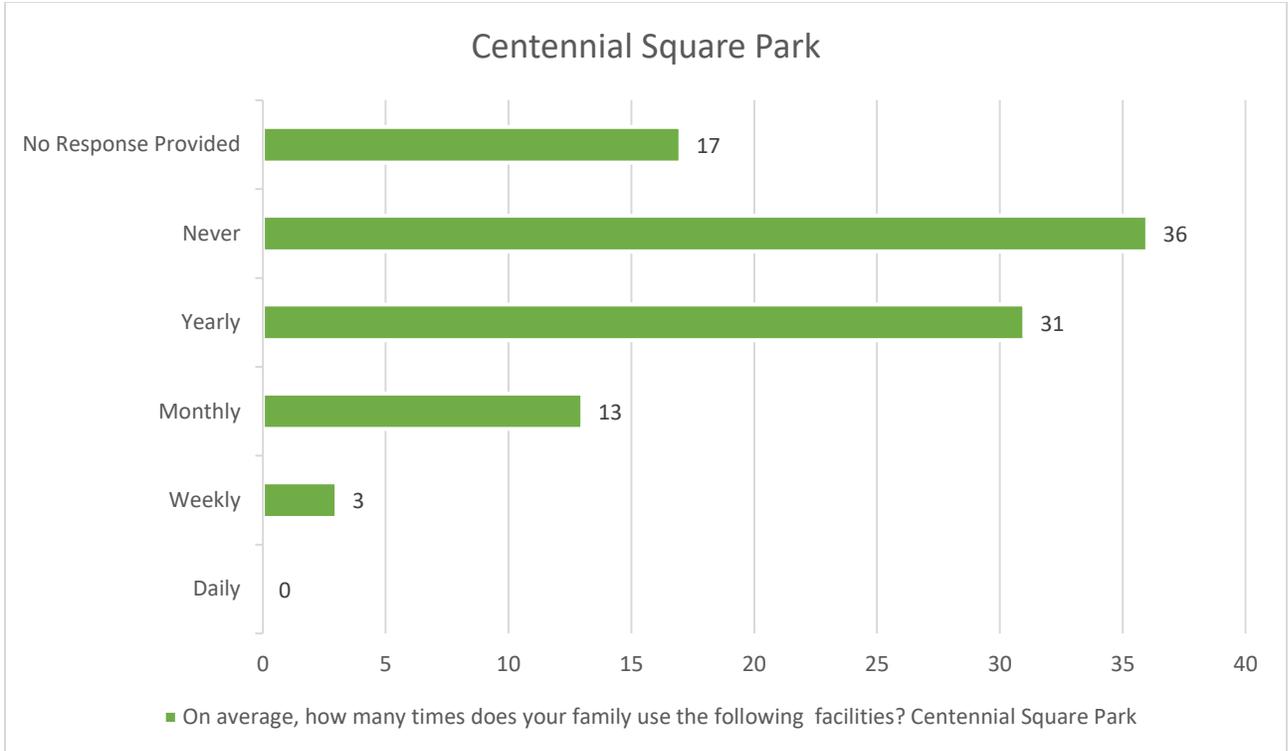


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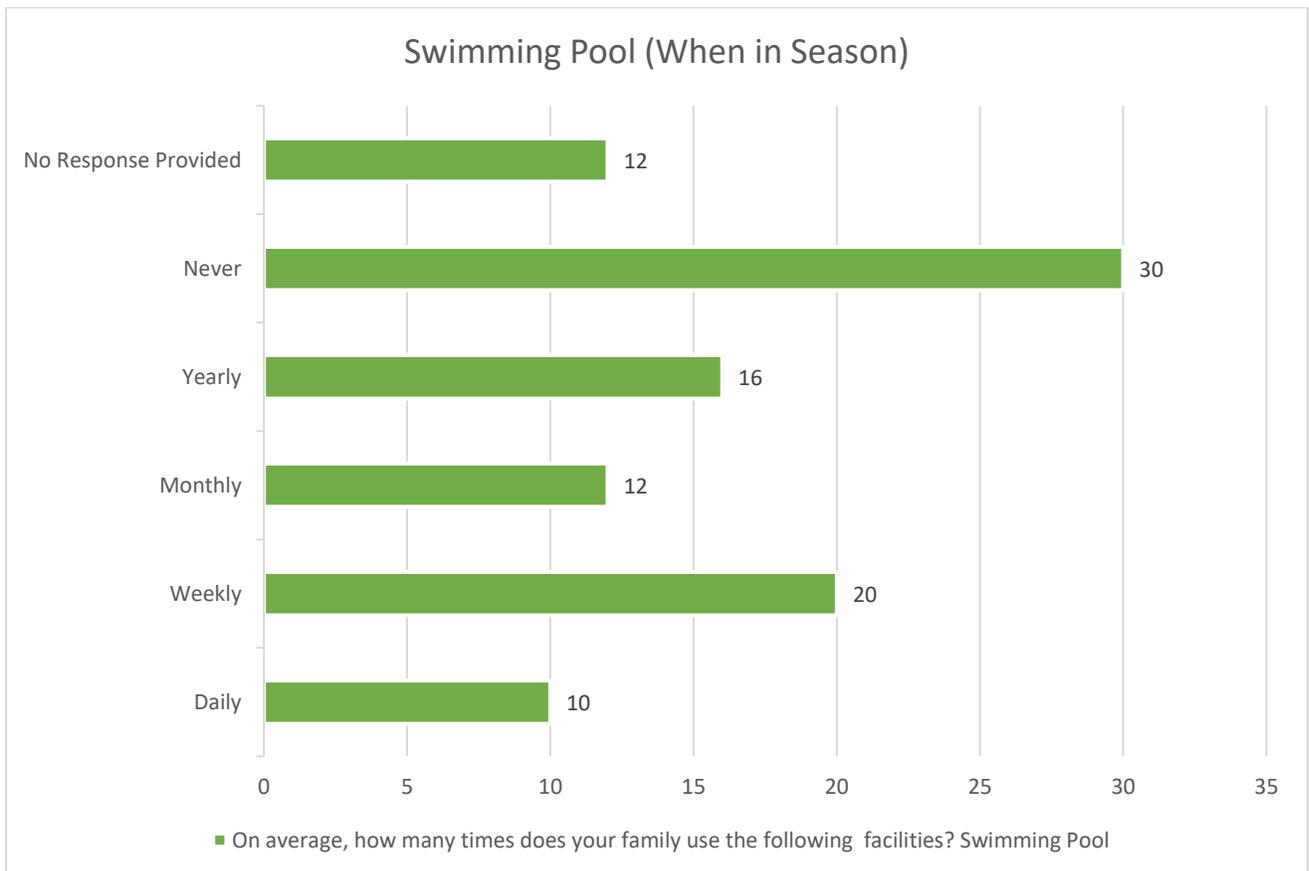
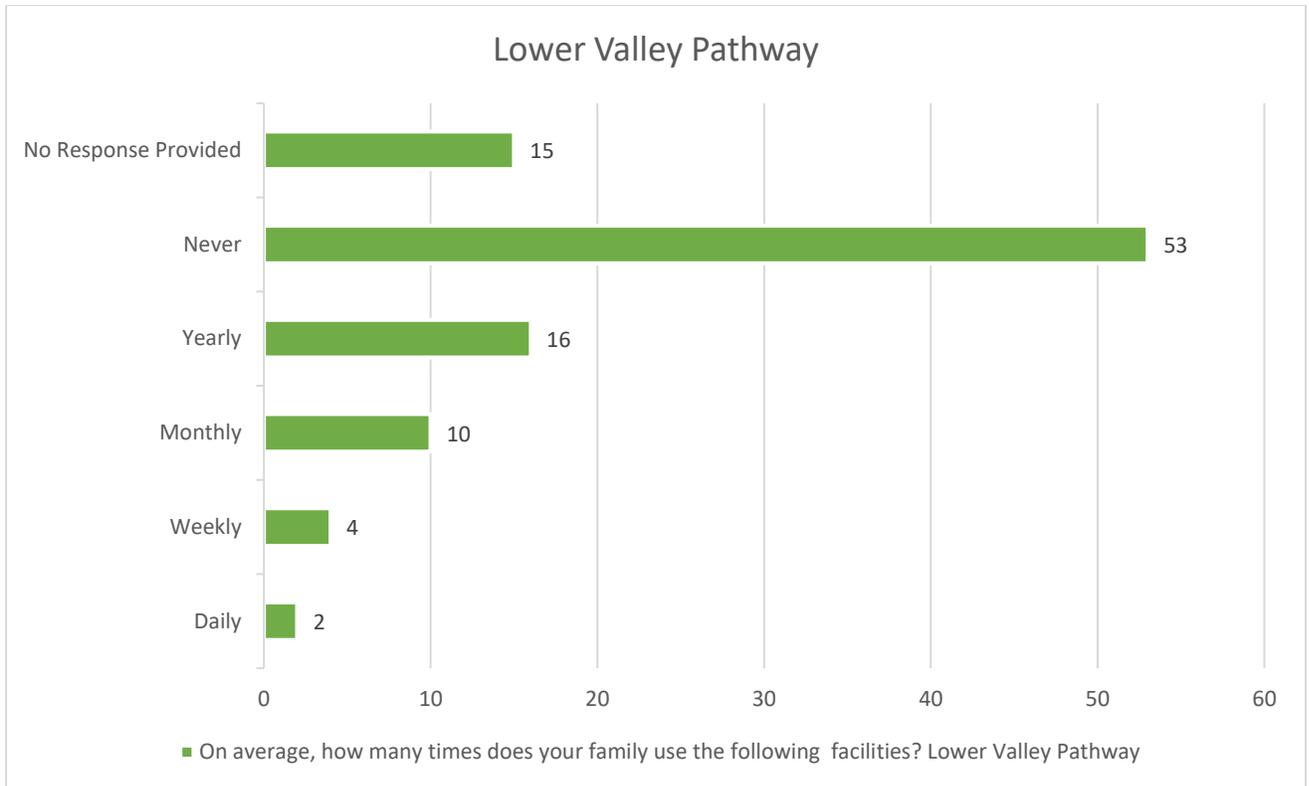


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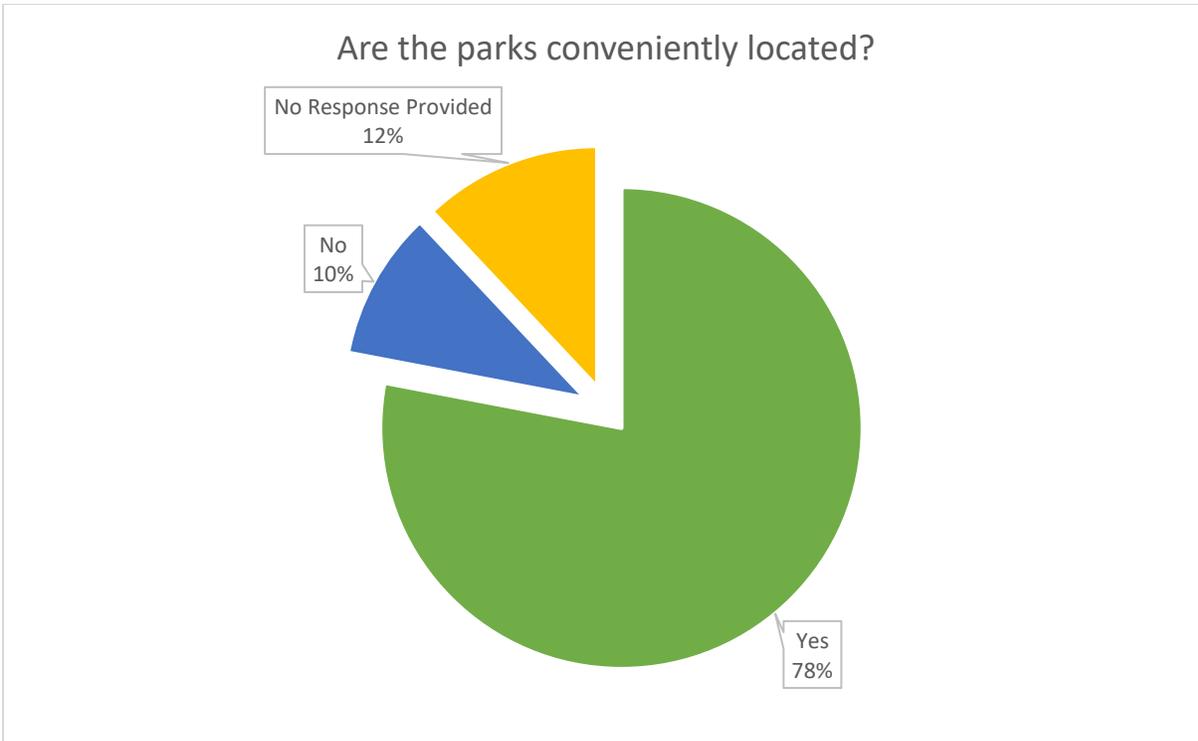
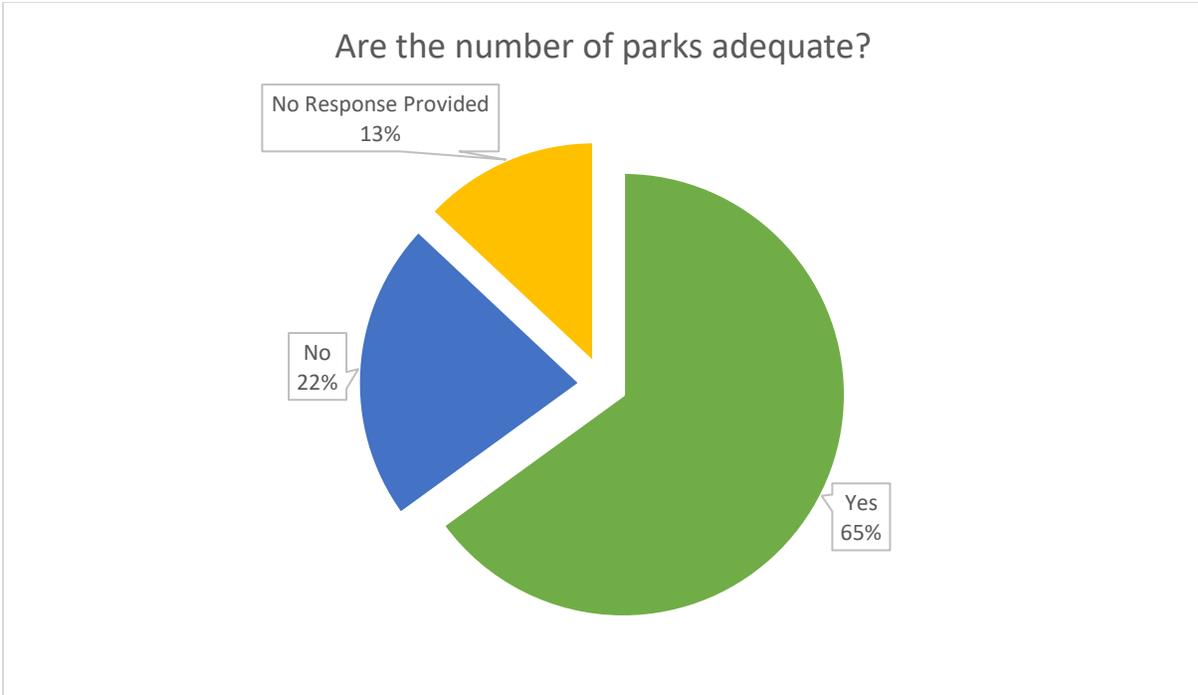


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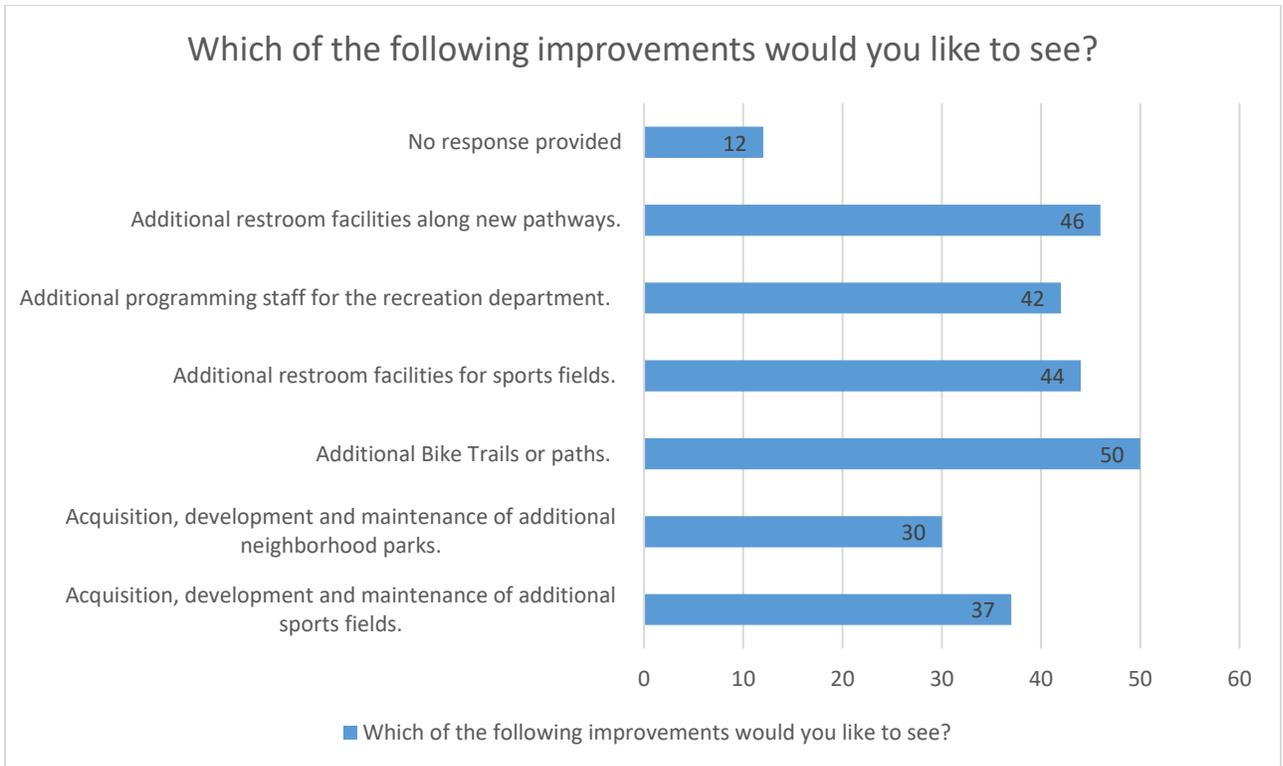
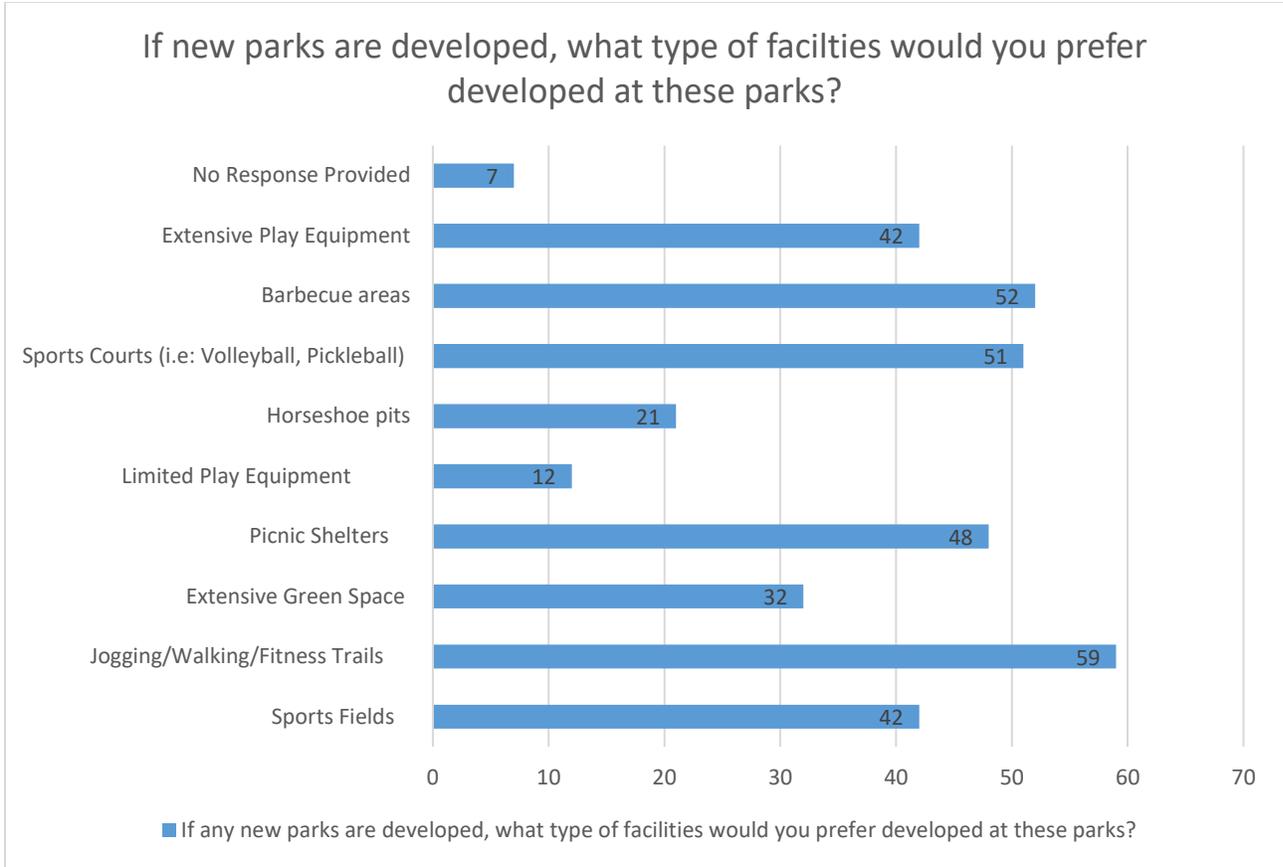


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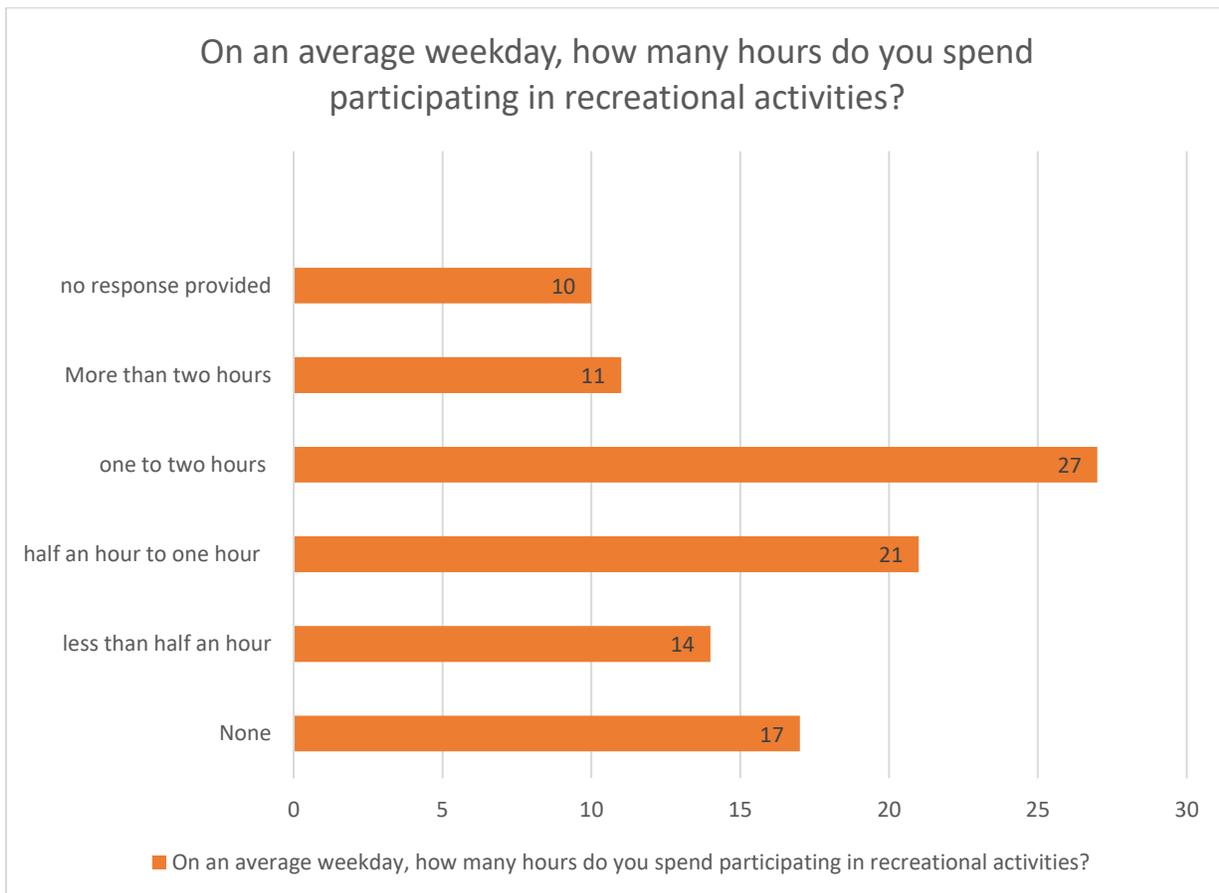


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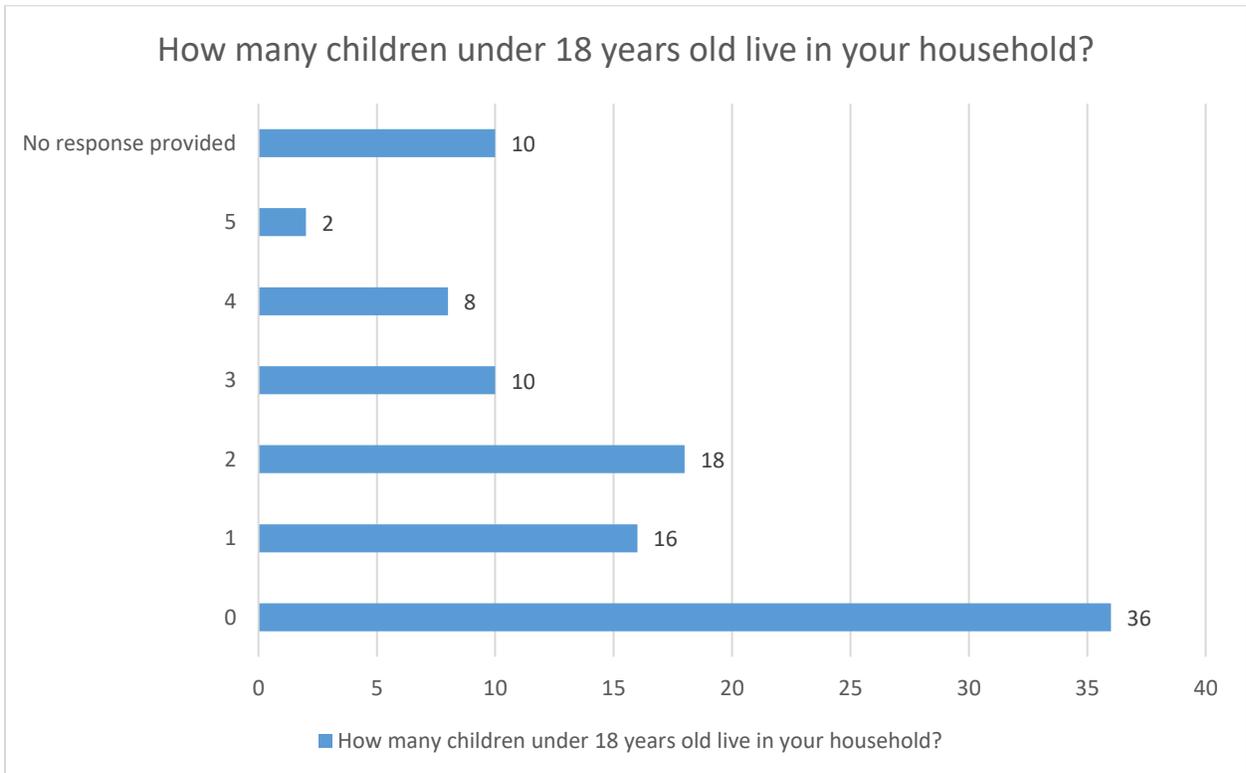
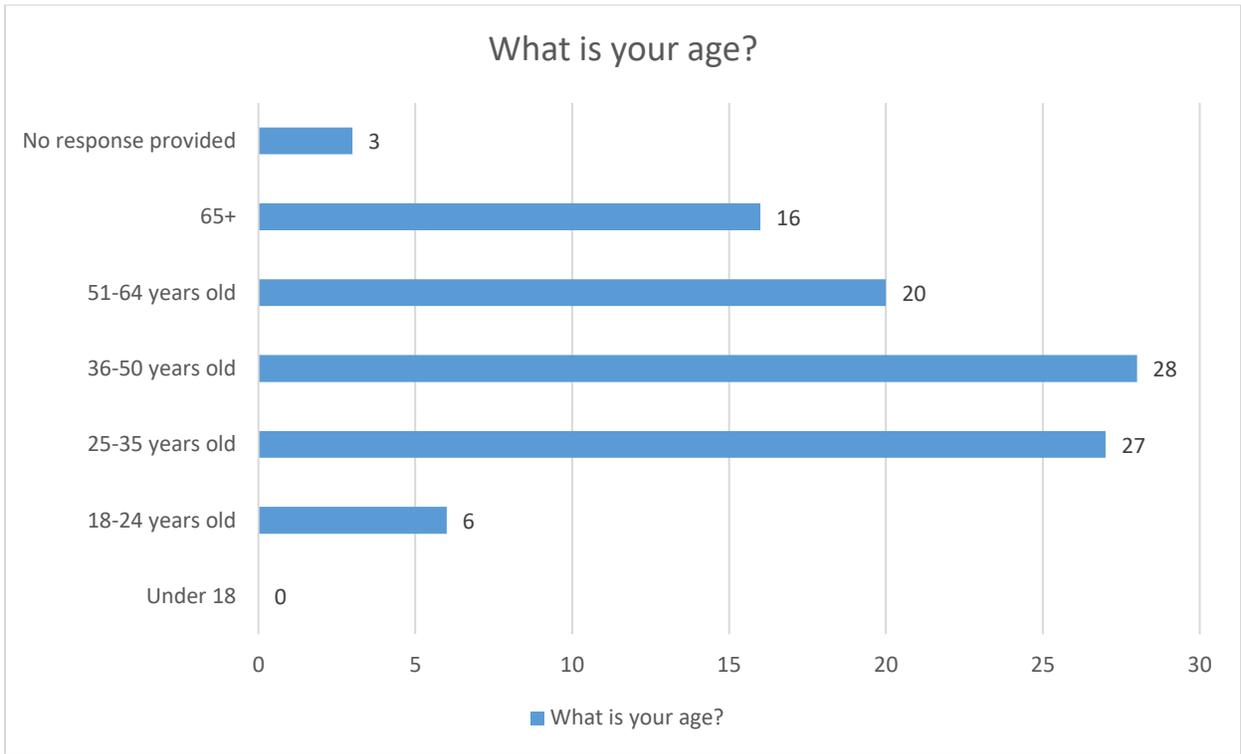
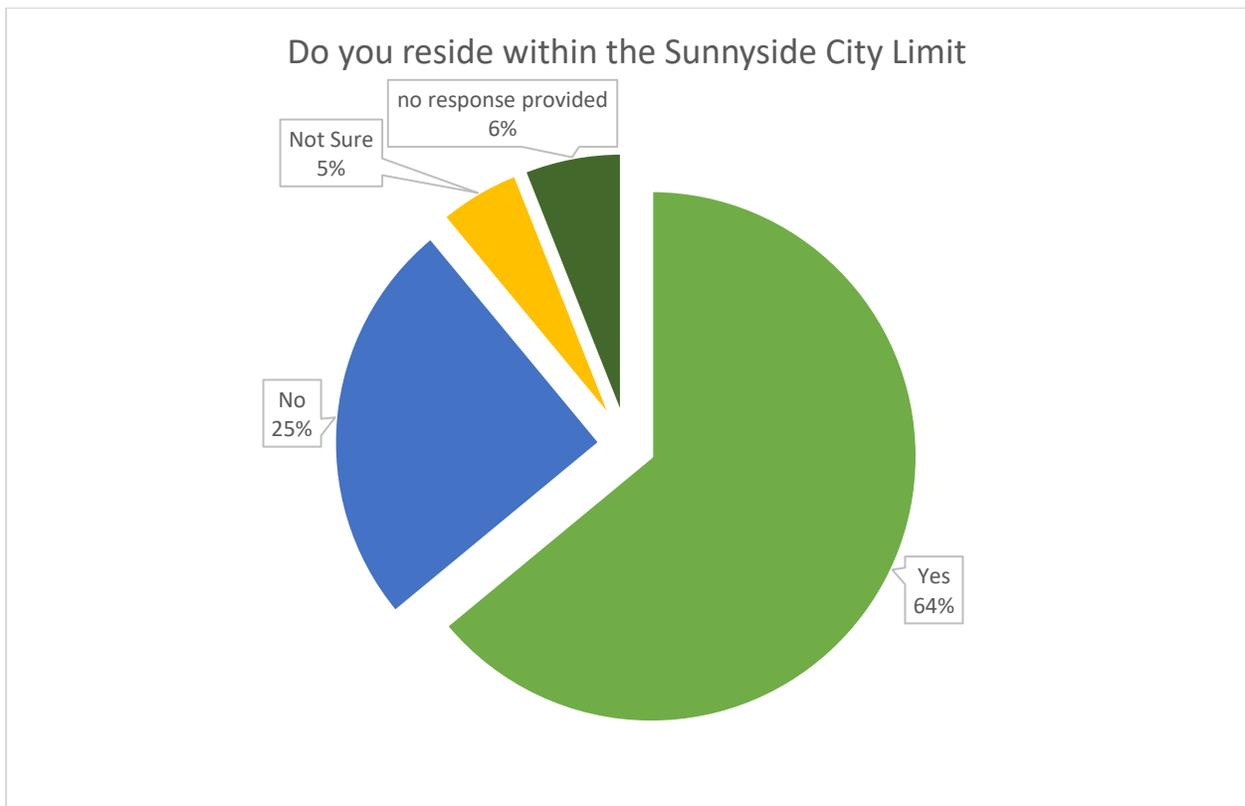
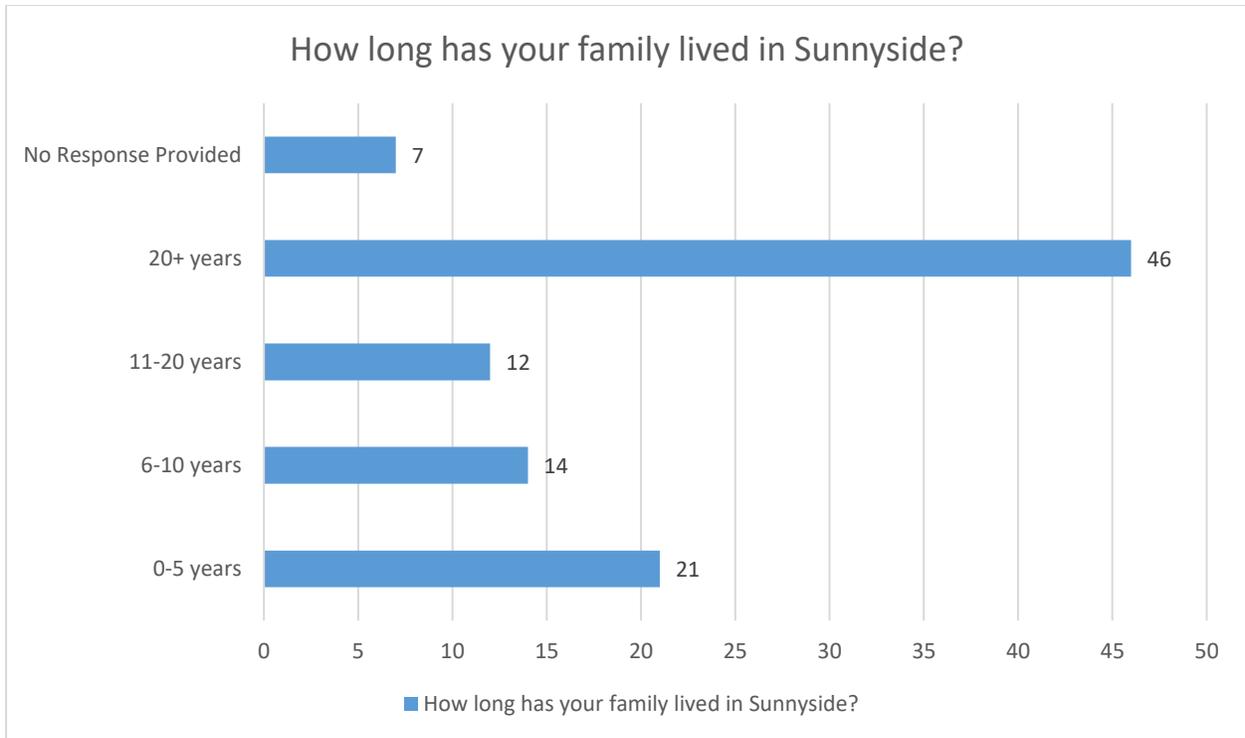


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Chapter 7 – Industry Standards, Demands and Needs

DEMANDS & NEEDS ANYALSIS

As identified in Chapter 4, the people of Sunnyside have expressed several recreational needs and demands. The three needs and demands identified by the community that should be prioritized within the next six years include, playground renovation, improvements to existing facilities, and expansion of biking and walking trails or paths.

Playground renovation is a desperately needed, with a large demand for it as well. The first step in taking action for this is having a Certified Playground Safety Inspector (CPSI) come to Sunnyside parks with playgrounds to identify the associated risk (permanent disability or loss of life or body part, serious injury, minor injury or potential for injury) of each playground. Having a CPSI to determine risk will allow City staff to prioritize which of the community survey identified facilities to start the renovation project with. After the safety inspection, City staff would be able to start renovation taking it one park at a time.

Improvements to existing facilities was identified as a need from the community. Many of the existing facilities are in fair condition, but could greatly improve. These improvements are listed in table 4-1. A recommendation should be made that the restoration of the ball fields in both SunnyView and South Hill Park is needed, and should take priority in order to support the

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recreation division's efforts in providing the programming the community has demanded, sports oriented programming, including instructional t-ball, softball, baseball, and league play. Park beautification is another improvement to existing facilities that has been identified as a need by community survey respondents. Tina Knoth Park was expressly identified as needing beautification from survey respondents.

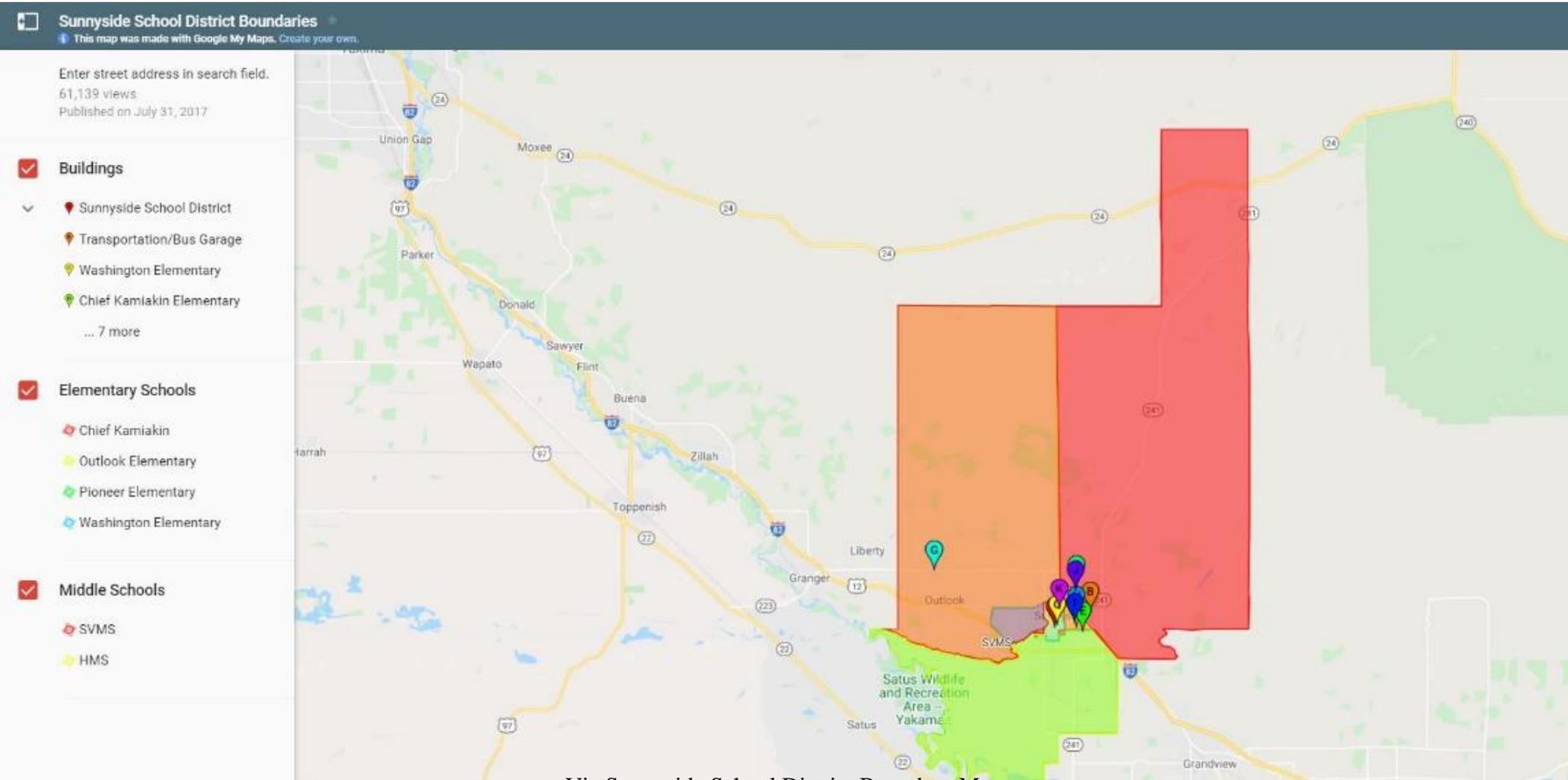
Expansion of biking and walking trails or paths is the third greatest need identified by the people of Sunnyside. To take action on this specific need, another comprehensive plan must be prepared, one that focuses on creating a park and trail system that clearly defines the routing of park trails. After that plan is written, the City could then move on to acquiring the desired land for trails or establishing trail easements on already existing properties. City ordinances would then need to be passed requiring land developers to incorporate greenways and park trail corridors into their development plans in accordance with the trail system plan, which would include design standards complying with ADA standards.

SERVICE RADIUS

The City of Sunnyside intends to provide park and recreational services to the residents of City of Sunnyside. Residents are defined as people living within the City's Limits, see map 4-1. The City of Sunnyside also intends to provide park and recreational services to Sunnyside School District enrollees, which expands past City limits both westward and northward, see map 4-2.

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Map 4-2



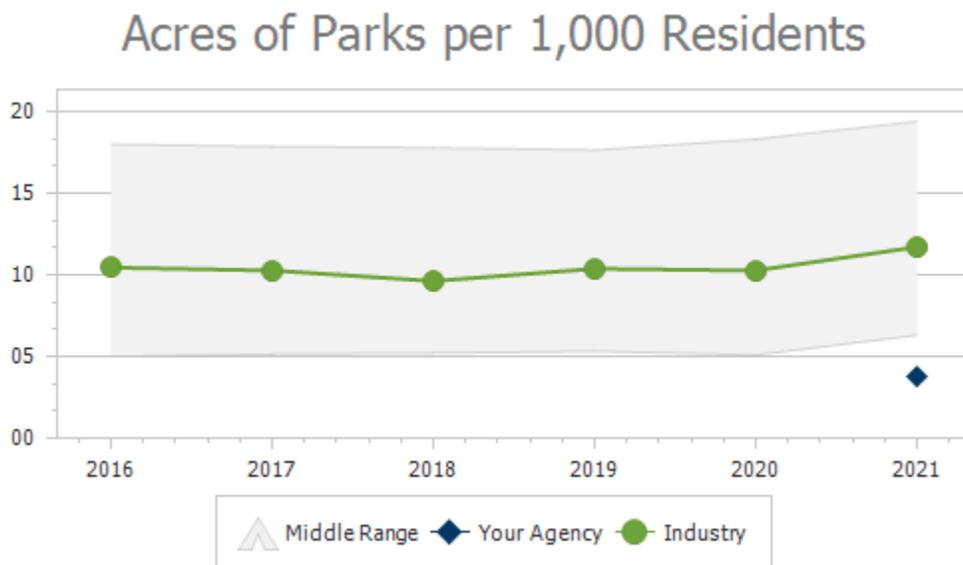
Via Sunnyside School District Boundary Map

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NRPA STANDARDS

The National Recreation and Park Association's *2021 Agency Performance Review* suggests that a typical park and recreation agency offers one park for every 2,277 residents, with 9.9 acres of parkland per 1,000 residents. This suggestion is followed by an important caveat, which is "park and recreation agencies are as diverse as the communities that they serve, and what works well for one agency may not be best for your agency." Keeping this caveat in mind, the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) provides yearly data reviews for park and recreation agencies to compare their internal data to, in order to identify the best practices and optimally serve their community.

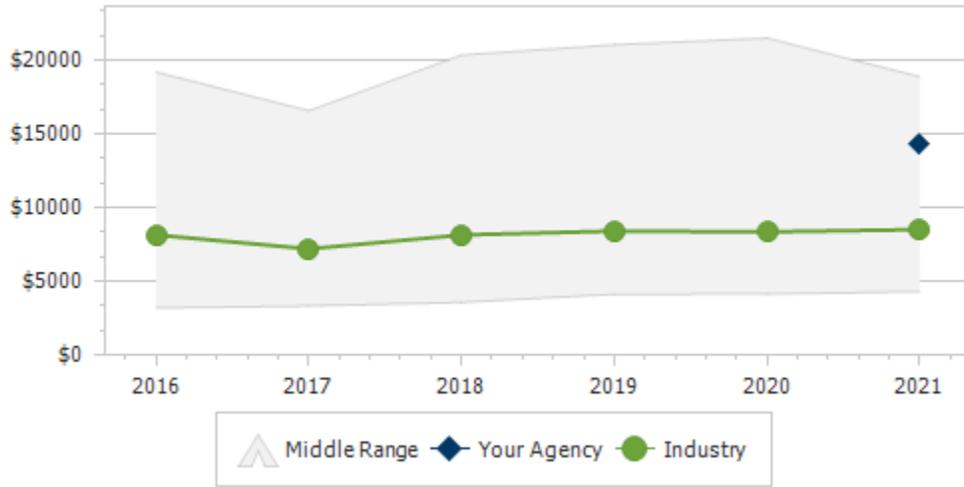
After submitting the NRPA's Park Metric Survey, NRPA is able to compile agency data and compare it to other agencies in the region. Using the NRPA's Park Metrics Data, the below graphs were created to compare Sunnyside's 2021 data with other Park and Recreation agencies in the Pacific Northwest. Sunnyside's data is categorized as "your agency" within the graphs presented below. As the survey was only submitted for the year 2021, Sunnyside's data only reflects 2021 as compared to the other agencies which have full data sets from 2016-2021. During 2021, the COVID-19 pandemic continued to rage on, affecting Sunnyside Parks and Recreation's typical workload, such as lessened activity offerings and heightened park maintenance operations.



Via NRPA Agency Performance Dashboard – Informed by NRPA Park Metrics Survey.

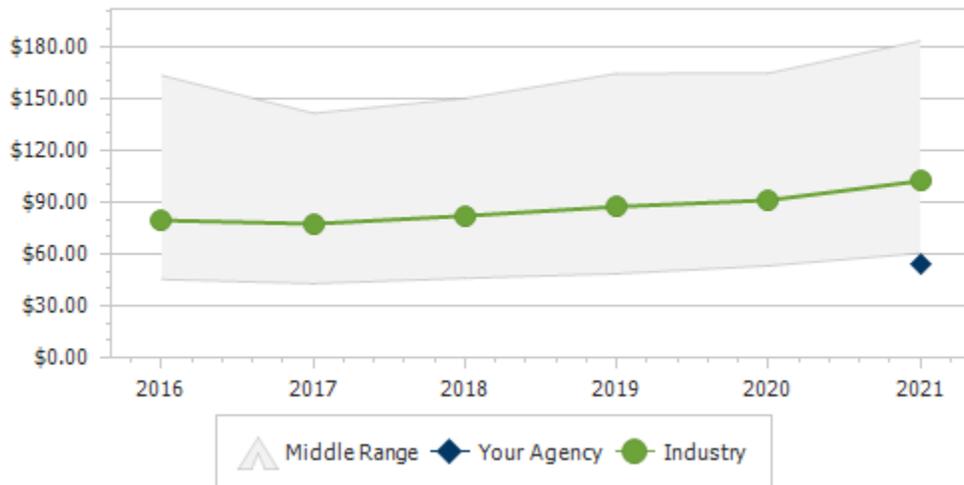
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Operating expenditures per acre of parkland



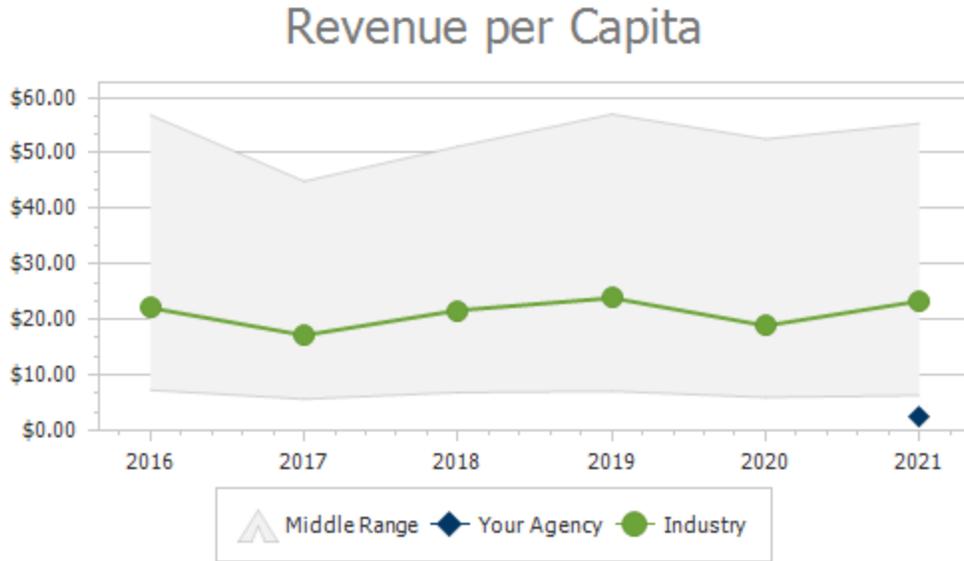
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Operating Expenditures per Capita



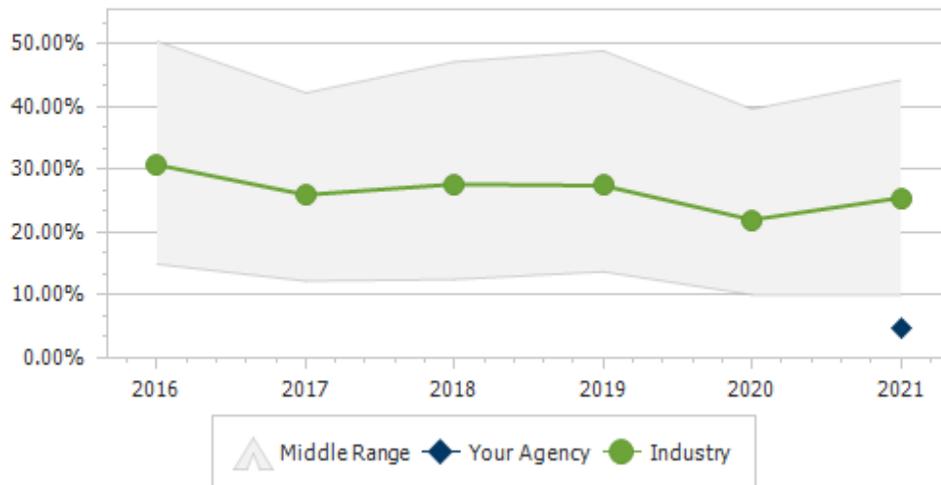
Via NRPA Agency Performance Dashboard – Informed by NRPA Park Metrics Survey.

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Via NRPA Agency Performance Dashboard – Informed by NRPA Park Metrics Survey.

Total revenue to total operating expenditur...



Via NRPA Agency Performance Dashboard – Informed by NRPA Park Metrics Survey.

SOFTBALL AND BASEBALL FIELD STANDARDS

As previously mentioned, the National Recreation and Park Association firmly believes that what works for one community, may not work for all. Discontinued NRPA Standards that professional and consultants continue use for benchmark comparisons; suggest that Softball

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fields for adults should be one field per 3,000 in population, while Softball fields for youth should be one field per 5,000 in population. Baseball fields for high school students and adults should number one field per 10,000; while for youth fields should number one per 6,000. Sunnyside Parks and Recreation inventories nine ball fields, which surpasses the benchmarking standards. However, the current condition of the ball fields are not conducive to playing either sport, as grass has taken over the playing area. Improvements to the fields, including painting of lines, cutting edges, and replacing dirt areas, must be done before the fields inventoried are ready to play on. The ball fields at South Hill Park are contractually the responsibility of Sunnyside Cal Ripken to maintain, while the ball fields at SunnyView Park and Kiwanis Youth Park are Sunnyside's responsibility to maintain.

TENNIS, BASKETBALL, VOLLEYBALL COURTS STANDARDS

The same benchmarking standards from the previous section also denote that there should be one tennis court per 2,000; one volleyball court per 3,000; one outdoor basketball court per 2,000 and one indoor basketball court per 5,000. It also denotes one multiuse court per 3,000. The City of Sunnyside maintains 8 courts. There are four tennis courts and two basketball courts within South Hill Park, one basketball in Upland Park, and one volleyball court in Central Park. The City also maintains one indoor basketball court at the Community Center. The City of Sunnyside does not meet these benchmarking standards, as the population is estimated to be 17,250. This means that if the City was to follow the above benchmarking standards, the City would need four more tennis courts, four more volleyball courts, one more indoor basketball court, 6 multi-use courts, and 5 more outdoor basketball courts. However, these standards are just to measure against, and are not actually a requirement, as previously mentioned what works for one agency might not work for all.

OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOLS

Benchmarking standards denote that 25m swimming pools should number one per 10,000 and 50m swimming pools should number one per 20,000. The City of Sunnyside maintains one 50m swimming pool, with a small training pool attached. The City of Sunnyside meets the benchmark for the population size. In the future after a period of population growth, the City may need to expand their options regarding additional pools.

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PATHWAYS AND TRAILS

Park trails are defined as “multipurpose trails located within greenways, parks and natural resource areas. Focus is on recreational value and harmony with natural environment.” Park trails are the most desirable type of trail because allow for relatively uninterrupted pedestrian movement to and through the city’s park system and development areas, while effectively tying various parks and recreation areas together, thus forming a comprehensive park and trail system. A comprehensive park and trail system protects users from urban develop and associated vehicular traffic. Currently, the City of Sunnyside inventories two pathways, the Lower Valley Pathway and the Centennial Pathway. This does not meet benchmarking standards, and the people have expressed need for more trails dedicated to walking and biking.

Appendix 1 – Community Survey
Community Survey in English:

The City of Sunnyside Parks and Recreation Department is currently updating the Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Plan. Your input is requested so that the community’s views are reflected in future parks and recreation planning. Please take a moment to fill out this survey to help Sunnyside Parks and Recreation understand what programs the community needs.

Recreation & Aquatics Programs

1. Are there activities/programs that you would like to see the City of Sunnyside Parks and Recreation Department offer?

- Yes No

If yes, what activities would you like to see offered?:

2. Before the pandemic, which of the following Sunnyside Recreation Programs did your family utilize? (Check all that apply)

- Youth Sports Youth Enrichment Classes Swimming Lessons Swim Team
 Adult Sports Adult Enrichment Classes Lap Swimming Open Swim

3. Check items that prevent you from participating in Sunnyside Recreation and Aquatics Programs before the pandemic: (Check all that apply)

- Lack of Time Scheduling problems Lack of money Satisfied with present interests
 Not interested in what’s available Do not care for the organization Do not like organized activities
 Not Informed of Upcoming Events

4. How much do you agree with the following statements: (Circle one)

I am satisfied with the park facilities in my area

- Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

The quality of Park Maintenance is good.

- Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

More park space is needed in my area.

- Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly disagree

The parks are available for my family to use.

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Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree
I feel safe in Sunnyside Parks

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree
There are enough programs for children.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree
There are enough programs for teens.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree
There are enough programs for senior citizens.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree
There are enough programs for adults.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree
I need more information about the activities offered by the Sunnyside Parks and Recreation Department.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

5. Which of the following ways would you prefer to receive information about the activities and events offered by the Sunnyside Parks and Recreation Department? (Check all that Apply)

- City Website City / Department Facebook Page Printed Seasonal Brochures
- Online Seasonal Brochures Email Blast (Opt-in) Flyers

Park Facilities

1. Which is your favorite Sunnyside Park?

- Central Park South Hill Park Denny-Blaine Park Centennial Square Park Kiwanis Youth Park
- Railroad Park Don Hughes Park Centennial Pathway Upland Park SunnyView Park
- Veterans Memorial Lower Valley Pathway

2. On average, how many times does your family use the following facilities? (Circle One)

Central park Daily Weekly Monthly Yearly Never

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Kiwanis Youth Park	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Never
Upland Park	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Never
South Hill Park	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Never
Sunnyside Community Center (before Pandemic Closure)	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Never
Railroad Park	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Never
SunnyView park	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Never
Denny-Blaine Park	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Never
Don Hughes Park	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Never
Veterans Memorial Park	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Never
Centennial Square	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Never
Centennial Pathway	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Never
Lower Valley Pathway	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Never
Swimming Pool (when in season)	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Never

3. Are the number of parks in Sunnyside adequate?

Yes No

Comments about number of parks:

4. Are the parks conveniently located?

Yes No

Comments about park location convenience:

5. If any new parks are developed, what type of facilities would you prefer developed at these parks? (check all that apply)

Sports Fields (i.e: Little League Fields, Soccer Fields) Sports Courts (i.e: Volleyball, Pickleball)

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|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jogging/Walking/Fitness Trails | <input type="checkbox"/> Extensive Play Equipment | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extensive Green Space | <input type="checkbox"/> Limited Play Equipment | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Picnic Shelters | <input type="checkbox"/> Barbecue areas | <input type="checkbox"/> Horseshoe pits |

6. Which of the following improvements would you like to see: (check all that apply)

- Acquisition, development and maintenance of additional sports fields.
- Acquisition, development and maintenance of additional neighborhood parks.
- Additional Bike Trails or paths.
- Additional restroom facilities for sports fields.
- Additional programming staff for the recreation department.
- Additional restroom facilities along new pathways.

If you would like to see additional neighborhood parks, where would you like to see them placed?:

If you would like to see additional Bike Trails or Paths, where would you like to see them placed?:

Recreation Interests

1. What outdoor recreational activities do you or your family frequently participate in?

2. What indoor recreational activities do you or your family frequently participate in?

3. On an average weekend (Saturday/Sunday) how many hours do you spend participating in recreation activities?

- None less than half an hour half an hour to one hour

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one to two hours Two to four hours More than four hours

4. On an average weekday (Monday/Tuesday/etc.) how many hours do you spend participating in recreational activities?

None Less than half an hour half an hour to an hour

One hour to two hours More than two hours

5. Check the activities you and your family most often participate in: (Hobbies-Check all that apply)

Building CB/Ham Radio Collecting Gardening Model Building

Pets Playing Instruments Restoring Cars Cooking for pleasure Yoga

6. Check the activities you and your family most often participate in: (Entertainment- Check all that apply)

Attending concerts Attending plays Attend movies Go to fair Watch TV

Listen to Radio Read Go to Library Watch Sports/Games

7. Check the activities you and your family most often participate in (Games-Check all that apply)

Badminton Bingo Cards Checkers Chess Darts PingPong Pool/Billiards

E-Sports (Competitive Video Games) Video Games

8. Check the activities you and your family most often participate in (Arts/Crafts- Check all that apply)

Calligraphy Carving Knit/Crochet Leather work Paint/Draw

Pottery Quilting Sweing/Needlework Woodworking

9. Check the activities you and your family most often participate in (Outdoor Recreation- Check all that apply)

Bicycling Hiking Four Wheeling Picnicking

Riding Motorcycles Camping Sightseeing Walking/Jogging

10. Check the activities you and your family most often participate in (Social/Cultural- Check all that apply)

Attend Day Camp/ Summer Camp Barbecues Be with Family Choir Church

Dancing Parties Service Clubs (Lions/Rotary/Key Club) Visiting with Friends

11. Check the activities you and your family most often participate in (WaterSports- Check all that apply)

Boating Fishing Rafting Sailing Water Skiing Swimming

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12. Check the activities you and your family most often participate in (Winter Sports- Check all that apply)

Cross Country Skiing Downhill Skiing Sledding Snowmobiling Snow-shoeing

13. Check the activities you and your family most often participate in (Sports- Check all that apply)

Baseball Basketball Bowling Football Fun Runs Golf Gymnastics Jogging/Running
 Martial Arts Soccer Softball T-Ball Target Shooting Tennis Pickleball
 Track and Field Triathlon Volleyball Wrestling

Demographics

1. What is your age?

Under 18 years old 18-24 years old 25-35 years old
 36-50 years old 51-64 years old 65+ years old

2. How many children under 18 years old live in your household? _____

3. How long has your family lived in Sunnyside?

0-5 years 6-10 years 11-20 years 20+ years

4. Do you reside within the Sunnyside city limits?

Yes No Not Sure

5. While the community center is closed due to COVID-19, would you rather see online/virtual programs, outdoor programs or take home programs? (check all that apply)

Online/Virtual Outdoors Take home

Thank you for participating!

For questions about the survey, call the Parks and Recreation Department 509-837-8660.

Please return this survey to:

SUNNYSIDE CITY HALL
818 E. EDISON AVE, SUNNYSIDE, WA 98944
ATTN: PARKS AND RECREATION

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Community Survey in Spanish:

El Departamento de Parques y Recreación de la Ciudad de Sunnyside está actualizando el Plan Integral de Parques y Recreación. Se solicita su opinión para que los puntos de vista de la comunidad se reflejen en la planificación futura de parques y recreación. Tómese un momento para completar esta encuesta para ayudar a Parques y Recreación a comprender qué programas necesita la comunidad.

Programas Recreativos y Acuáticos

1. ¿Hay actividades / programas que le gustaría que el Departamento de Parques y Recreación de la Ciudad de Sunnyside ofreciera?

Si No

En caso afirmativo, ¿qué actividades le gustaría que se ofrecieran?

2. Antes de la pandemia, ¿cuál de los siguientes programas recreativos de Sunnyside utilizaba su familia? (Marque todo lo que corresponda)

deportes juveniles Clases de enriquecimiento juvenil Clases de natación Equipo de natación
 deportes para adultos Clases de enriquecimiento para adultos Natación de regazo Nadar abierto

3. Marque los elementos que le impiden participar en los programas acuáticos y recreativos de Sunnyside antes de la pandemia: (Marque todos los que correspondan)

Falta de tiempo Problemas de programación Falta de dinero Satisfecho con los intereses actuales
 No me interesa lo que hay disponible No me importa la organización
 No me gustan las actividades organizadas No informado de los próximos eventos

4. ¿En qué medida estás de acuerdo con las siguientes afirmaciones?

Estoy satisfecho con las instalaciones del parque en mi área.

Totalmente de acuerdo De acuerdo Discrepar Muy en desacuerdo

La calidad del mantenimiento del parque es buena.

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Totalmente de acuerdo De acuerdo Discrepar Muy en desacuerdo

Se necesita más espacio para parques en mi área.

Totalmente de acuerdo De acuerdo Discrepar Muy en desacuerdo

Los parques están disponibles para que los use mi familia.

Totalmente de acuerdo De acuerdo Discrepar Muy en desacuerdo

Me siento seguro en los parques de Sunnyside

Totalmente de acuerdo De acuerdo Discrepar Muy en desacuerdo

Hay suficientes programas para niños.

Totalmente de acuerdo De acuerdo Discrepar Muy en desacuerdo

Hay suficientes programas para adolescentes.

Totalmente de acuerdo De acuerdo Discrepar Muy en desacuerdo

Hay suficientes programas para personas mayores.

Totalmente de acuerdo De acuerdo Discrepar Muy en desacuerdo

Hay suficientes programas para adultos.

Totalmente de acuerdo De acuerdo Discrepar Muy en desacuerdo

Necesito más información sobre las actividades que ofrece el Departamento de Parques y Recreación de Sunnyside.

Totalmente de acuerdo De acuerdo Discrepar Muy en desacuerdo

5. ¿De cuál de las siguientes formas preferiría recibir información sobre las actividades y eventos que ofrece el Departamento de Parques y Recreación de Sunnyside? (Marque todo lo que corresponda)

Sitio web de la ciudad Página de facebook de la ciudad / departamento

Folletos de temporada impresos Folletos de temporada online lista de correo volantes

Instalaciones del parque

1. ¿Cuál es tu parque favorito de Sunnyside?

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- Parque Central Parque South Hill Parque Denny-Blaine Parque de la Plaza del Centenario
 Parque Juvenil Kiwanis Parque del Ferrocarril Parque Don Hughes Camino del Centenario
 Parque Upland Parque Sunnyview Monumento a los Veteranos Camino del Valle Inferior

2. En promedio, ¿cuántas veces usa su familia las siguientes instalaciones?

Parque Central	Diario	Semanalmente	Mensual	Anual	Nunca
Parque juvenil Kiwanis	Diario	Semanalmente	Mensual	Anual	Nunca
Parque Upland	Diario	Semanalmente	Mensual	Anual	Nunca
Parque South Hill	Diario	Semanalmente	Mensual	Anual	Nunca
Centro comunitario de Sunnyside (antes del cierre pandémico)					
	Diario	Semanalmente	Mensual	Anual	Nunca
Parque del Ferrocarril	Diario	Semanalmente	Mensual	Anual	Nunca
Parque SunnyView	Diario	Semanalmente	Mensual	Anual	Nunca
Parque Denny-Blaine	Diario	Semanalmente	Mensual	Anual	Nunca
Parque Don Hughes	Diario	Semanalmente	Mensual	Anual	Nunca
Parque Conmemorativo de los Veteranos	Diario	Semanalmente	Mensual	Anual	Nunca
Plaza del Centenario	Diario	Semanalmente	Mensual	Anual	Nunca
Camino del Centenario	Diario	Semanalmente	Mensual	Anual	Nunca
Camino del Valle Inferio	Diario	Semanalmente	Mensual	Anual	Nunca
Piscina (en temporada)	Diario	Semanalmente	Mensual	Anual	Nunca

3. ¿Es adecuado el número de parques en Sunnyside?

- Si No

Comentarios sobre el número de parques:

4. ¿Están los parques convenientemente ubicados?

- Si No

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Comentarios sobre la conveniencia de la ubicación del parque.

5. Si se desarrollan nuevos parques, ¿qué tipo de instalaciones preferiría que se desarrollaran en estos parques? (marque todo lo que corresponda)

- Campos deportivos (es decir, campos de ligas menores, campos de fútbol)
- Equipo de juego extenso
- Senderos para Trotar / Caminar / Hacer Ejercicio
- Canchas deportivas (es Decir, Voleibol, Pickleball, Baloncesto)
- Extenso espacio verde
- Equipo de juego limitado
- Refugios de picnic
- Zonas de barbacoa
- Fosa de herradura

6. ¿Cuál de las siguientes mejoras le gustaría ver? (Marque todas las que corresponda)

- Adquisición, desarrollo y mantenimiento de campos deportivos adicionales.
- Adquisición, desarrollo y mantenimiento de parques vecinales adicionales.
- Senderos o senderos para bicicletas adicionales.
- Instalaciones sanitarias adicionales para campos deportivos.
- Personal de programación adicional para el departamento de recreación.
- Instalaciones de baños adicionales a lo largo de nuevos caminos.

Si desea ver parques adicionales en el vecindario, ¿dónde le gustaría que se coloquen?

Si desea ver senderos o senderos para bicicletas adicionales. ¿dónde le gustaría que se coloquen?

Intereses de recreación

1. ¿En qué actividades recreativas al aire libre participan con frecuencia usted o su familia?

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2. ¿En qué actividades recreativas en interiores participan con frecuencia usted o su familia?

3. En un fin de semana promedio (sábado / domingo), ¿cuántas horas dedica a participar en actividades recreativas?

- Ninguno Menos de media hora Media hora a una hora Una a dos horas
 Dos a cuatro horas Más de cuatro horas

4. En un día laborable promedio (lunes / martes / etc.), ¿cuántas horas dedica a participar en actividades recreativas?

- Ninguno Menos de media hora Media hora a una hora Una a dos horas Más de dos horas

5. Marque las actividades en las que usted y su familia participan con más frecuencia: (Pasatiempos: marque todas las que correspondan)

- Construcción Radio CB / Ham Coleccionando Jardinería Construcción del modelo
 Mascotas Tocando instrumentos Restauración de coches Cocinar por placer Yoga

6. Marque las actividades en las que usted y su familia participan con más frecuencia: (Entretenimiento: marque todas las que correspondan)

- Asistir a conciertos Asistir a obras de teatro Asistir a películas Ir a la feria Escuchar radio
 Leer Ir a la biblioteca Ver deportes / juegos Mirar televisión

7. Marque las actividades en las que usted y su familia participan con más frecuencia (Juegos: marque todas las que correspondan)

- Bádminton Bingo Tarjetas Juego de damas Ajedrez Dardos Ping Pong
 Piscina / Billar E-Sports (videojuegos competitivos) Juegos de vídeo

8. Marque las actividades en las que usted y su familia participan con más frecuencia (Artes / manualidades: marque todas las que correspondan)

- Caligrafía Tallado Tejer / Crochet Trabajo de cuero Pintar / Dibujar Cerámica
 Acolchado Costura / trabajo con agujas Carpintería

9. Marque las actividades en las que usted y su familia participan con más frecuencia (Recreación al aire libre: marque todas las que correspondan)

- Montar en bicicleta Cámping Excursionismo Cuatro ruedas Comer en el campo
 Montar motocicletas Turismo Caminar / Trotar Avistamiento de aves

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10. Marque las actividades en las que usted y su familia participan con más frecuencia (Social / Cultural: marque todas las que correspondan)

- Asistir a un campamento diurno o de verano Barbacoas Estar con la familia Orfeón Iglesia
 Baile Fiestas Clubes de servicio (Leones / Rotary / Key Club) Visitando con amigos

11. Marque las actividades en las que usted y su familia participan con más frecuencia (deportes acuáticos: marque todas las que correspondan)

- Navegación en barco Pesca Canotaje Navegación Esquí acuático Nadando

12. Marque las actividades en las que usted y su familia participan con más frecuencia (Deportes de invierno: marque todas las que correspondan)

- Esquí de fondo Esquí alpino Ir en trineo Motos de nieve Raquetas de nieve

13. Marque las actividades en las que usted y su familia participan con más frecuencia (Deportes: marque todas las que correspondan)

- Béisbol Baloncesto Bolos Fútbol Americano Carreras divertidas Golf La gimnasia
 Trotar / Correr Artes marciales Fútbol Sofbol T-Ball Tiro al blanco Tenis
Pickleball Atletismo Triatlón Vóleybol Lucha

Demografía

1. ¿Cuál es tu edad?

- Menores de 18 Años de Edad 18-24 Años 25-35 Años 36-50 Años 51-64 Años 65+ Años

2. ¿Cuántos niños menores de 18 años viven en su hogar? _____

3. ¿Cuánto tiempo ha vivido su familia en Sunnyside?

- 0-5 Años 6-10 Años 11-20 Años 20+ Años

4. ¿Reside dentro de los límites de la ciudad de Sunnyside?

- Si No No estoy seguro

5. Si el centro comunitario está cerrado debido a COVID-19, ¿preferiría ver programas en línea / virtuales, programas al aire libre o programas para llevar a casa? (marque todo lo que corresponda)

- Programas en línea / virtuales Al aire libre Llevar a casa

¡Gracias por participar! Si tiene preguntas sobre la encuesta, llame al Departamento de Parques y Recreación: 509-837-8660.

Appendix 2 - Comments from Community Survey

- English

Question 1.1: Would you like to see activities offered? If yes, what activities would you like to see offered?

- Basketball Kinder through 6th, T-Ball, Baseball - there are no Team Youth Sports for the younger kids
- A dog park
- Sports activities, art activities
- Pickleball
- Basketball, Tball, Little League
- Organized Pickleball
- Youth sports competition, sport camps, specific training done for young athletes
- Flag football, bring the baseball program back, more sports camps and advertise it better.
- Community events, like Halloween carnival, holiday theme events, sports, activities for 3 year olds. I would like if there was early swim lap time before work for adults only, senior citizen swim classes, races/competitions
- Kids sports programs. Soccer, softball, basketball
- Kids sports teams
- More things for the kids. Camps
- Athletic programs for youth
- Arts and craft for kids dance lessons for all outdoor games for the youth (football, soccer, softball, etc)
- Casino Night for Seniors
- table activities/volleyball/tennis/etc
- fireworks parade for 4th of july & vetrans day
- Arts and crafts for adults like painting, senior citizen casino night/afternoon
- Swimming, skate park, youth soccer, frisbee golf, community walking contests.
- Taking care of the environment, classes, sessions, practical experiences
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Sometimes the city web site could of on Facebook offer activities.for instance during covid there was no yoga,simple recipes, activities for childre etc.It is difficult for seniors to get out but during covid it was hard for everyone.I saw lots of activities for the public on other cities we sight..
- Parks: a park that has toys like Spokane’s Riverfront park. The floor is “soft” feels foamy. Big slides. “Rock” climbing, it’s made of plastic.
- Swimming activities for the elderly and the disabled. Activities for seniors and their pets.
- Flag football, car derby’s, robotics, STEM activities, Boy Scouts
- Yoga in the Partk

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- Water aerobics at fitness club for seniors year round- probably not possible because privately owned.
- Cultural, Social Skill builders, signing/poetry, sensitive
- Bingo Every Week
- Canning Classes
- Resource events for community & individuals
- Adult & family art, bazaars, weekly events
- More outdoor for kids, teens
- More outdoor activities children, crafting activities for adults
- Youth Flag Football Adult Basketball
- Provide some in the park movie nights, local concerts, farmers market
- Social media education for kids and adults. Specifically detailing the way FB, Twitter, TikTok, etc. tracks your usage and sells that info.
- Learning crafts like painting, crochet etc. sports for kids. Science and computer coding for kids. Computer classes for adults
- All the sports programs for youth! From basketball, wrestling, flag football, softball/baseball, gymnastics, Karate/martial arts, volleyball. Our youth are at such a disadvantage when they start middle school sports because for many that is their first time playing a sport. These kids should be exposed to the game from a very young age so that we can be competitive in secondary school. There needs to be arts and crafts, music classes, games, story time. Active fitness classes that families can do
- Farmers market, adult lap swim at pool. We really need a dog park. Closest one is an hour away
- T-ball. Basketball for Elementary Age
- Recreation for the senior citizens
- Better play equipment for all ages. My teenagers still like to play on the play equipment. There is no special needs play equipment either.
- Soccer
- I live near South hill park and i would love to have a pathway to go for walks in the evening or mornings. I think families will enjoy that and get out more to exercise. Also maybe volleyball nets will be nice so families can play and also pathway will be good for kids to ride there bike rather than in the parking lot. I think this is a huge park and can offer alot more then just grass maybe more seating areas trees for shade
- more water parks
- more activities for the kiddos
- Basketball, soccer, football, ballet, ect. With NO charge
- Free holiday activities for families, zumba, dance classes, basketball tournament, youth center, area for youth to hang out
- Youth programs/events
- Mindfulness, parenting, socio-emotional wellbeing, vision boards
- Arts, cooking, dance, basketball,
- More community activities for all children teens (youth) adults

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- Indoor activities (art?)
- Childrens sports activities, art activities, recreational programs in general. Even before the pandemic, 10+ years ago the city used to run many programs.
- Activities for special needs children and adults.
- Open sports at the park, kids activities at the park during summer, more community ysports teams, paint & sip, sports training programs, bazaars and open markets
- More activities for seniors
- Youth basketball
- Swim options for adults. Our pool is wasted.
- Youth sports, youth led activities
- Summer softball/baseball/ t-ball offerings so that's ours kids can learn fundamental skills and not have to travel out of town to play.
- Yes. Kids sports such as baseball, basketball, soccer, or track.
- Adult basketball or softball league
- Adult classes. Painting, crafts, book club, cooking Student classes: sewing, cooking, life skills, money management
- Nature programs, adult aquatics programs
- Baseball and softball summer program for 5-12 year old residents through parks and recreation.
- Badminton and volleyball
- Father Daughter Dance, Mother Son Dance, Mother Daughter tea party, Father Son Game night
- Pickleball
- The Sunnyside Community Park where they do the covid testing needs to upgrade the playground for the kids. I mean who wants to slide down on a hit slide in the spring/summer. The equipment is very old, we really need an upgrade. How about some shade, Luke those tarps in triangle shapes that are hooked up to posts and can be taken down in fall/winter when it's not hot.
- Youth sports- year round
- Promote walking club.
- Basketball, football, soccer, and baseball camps for kids K-5. We have a nice tennis court, so some sort of tennis program would be great.
- community service for kids
- Zumba classes, open gym- basketball for different ages

Question 2.3: Are the number of parks in Sunnyside adequate? Comments about the number of parks:

- Never knew all these parks existed
- I didn't know we had this many parks, we may have them but they are not well taken care so I didn't visit them. There's not enough events at these parks to bring us to them.

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- A dog park would be great
- Number of parks adequate, however playgrounds needs to be improved greatly
- South hill park needs to be updated. Toys are worn out, theres usually graffiti on the bathroom or community center. So many people use the park to walk, why not add a pathway or walk way to make it friendly. The tennis courts are always closed the horse shoe pits are not maintained, weeds, grass and they are hidden. There is so much potential to these park and it's just not being utilized like it should. More trees would be great. A second toy area maybe or volley ball nets. So many people bring there own nets in the summer to this park.
- Need new updated parks and possibly a splash pad for the kids
- I think with a population approaching 20,000 we will need more... town is only growing.
- Always need more parks
- Afraid to go cz of the violence.cant even walk at Central Park without some jerk staring
- There are enough parks, but not very much to do.
- What is the park up on top of the harrison hill called? Need one out by the housing (aho housing) off of allen rd
- Just develop more
- Sunnyside severely lacks safe playgrounds for kids to go to. We end up driving to Prosser or the Tri-Cities to find a good park. The Playground of dreams in Kennewick, and Prosser City Park are good examples of what Sunnyside could use. We tend to find broken bottles, damaged equipment, and darkly lit areas near the playsets.
- Our parks need to be modernized. Playground equipment and ground need to be updated. The restrooms are disgusting and never working. We need to model after some of the West Sides parks, which are amazing!
- Moved here at start of pandemic. Everything has been closed or cancelled since I've been here. We need a dog park. Closed one is an hour away.
- Many parks do not have services
- Only 1 park- but are scary with a lot of trashy people that scare kids
- Parks need better lighting, shade areas to sit down. Sidewalks need improvement to increase walkability & environmental health. Parks need better equipment. A park with built in work out equipment would be great and promote a healthier lifestyle.
- Not enough space
- Need better improved park
- The number of parks is excellent and available.
- # of parks is okay, but they are all spread out and hidden. Not enough signs or advertising.
- ? No commend
- The up keep of equipment such as the slides or swings needs to be handled in a timely manner rather than leaving them broken with cones not to be used. Additionally, the parks need to be watered, weeded and mowed in the summer months. Upland Park was a dust bowl when we tried to use the park this past summer. We understand the heat however up keep could be done in the early morning hours. Central Park upkeep is better

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and I can't speak to all of the others but it shouldn't matter where the park is located. A little more pride needs to be taken. Love our community!

- We have many parks but they look so out dated. We need new playground equipment, slides, monkey bars, climbing area. We drive to another city even though we have a park in our backyard, please SUNNYSIDE make our parks more enjoyable for our children. Shade is a must for the kids, I know they need sun but these old metal slides are not cutting it
- I FEEL THAT WE HAVE AN ADEQUATE NUMBER OF PARKS

Question 2.4: Are the parks conveniently located? Comments about Park location convenience:

- Don't know where some of there parks are at
- Central Park is the best one!
- I don't even know of all of these parks. It would be helpful to have a n/a or 'don't know' option in the survey.
- Okay
- Centennial, Railroad and central I can walk to
- Have to drive
- There are spread around sunnyside.
- What inconvienece? I think they are placed fairly in all areas of the city - North, Asouth, Central, East, West. Probably could use a bigger one north of town.
- Yes, But not all are the same.
- The lack of parks make the convenience difficult. Open spaces or dirt trails along the irrigation ditch or a combined effort to link the bike trail to Yakima would be great.
- Other than South Hill, parking is horrible at the other parks.
- We need a dog park. The closest one is an hour away
- A lot of homeless people. Scares kids.
- Upcoming community need more park areas
- For people who live in town the towns are convenient and have adequate parking.
- Some are walking distance.
- Most are conveniently located, some are very hidden
- A lot of our parks are not geared for little children. The equipment is falling apart art and not safe. The city of Grandview has better parks than we do and and they are smaller and unless income base.
- They are spread out throughout the community.
- Great just update the park playground equipment for the kids and shade so the rides won't burn them when they go on them.
- THE MAIN PARKS ARE IN GOOD LOCATIONS.
- There are no parks within walking distance from my home, we have to drive to get to one. The closest park to our house has no playground equipment.

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Question 2.6A: If you would like to see additional neighborhood parks, where would you like to see them placed?

- in town safety for children and teens
- THE PANDEMIC IS OVER!
- Evenly spaced throughout town
- Up in the hill
- Tina Knots park needs trees and bbq area
- ?
- Close to Kiwanis park.
- Near the new home developments off of Allen Road. And we need a dog park.
- Upcoming communities
- In the North Ave area
- Continue pathway out to outlook, and futher with restroom facilities
- On small empty lots that are scattered through downtown (9th & Decatur for example)
- Is South side of town. Is Southeast side of town.
- Harrison Hill
- What we have is ok but we need new playground equipment and shade above them.
- I DONT FEEL THAT WE NEED MORE
- On the south side of town. Near the AHO homes.

Question 2.6B: If you would like to see additional trails or paths, where would you like to see them placed?

- South Hill Park
- THE PANDEMIC IS OVER!
- Where ever possible
- There was once a mention of a pathway connecting all the way to Granger.
- Around the bigger parks.
- In the area of 4th and Harrison
- Around town
- Hill
- A path or sidewalk along Allen road making it safe to run or bike to the Centennial trail. Better marked bike trails along the Yakima Highway and maybe an extention of the Centennial towards Yakima. A ride the valley effort would be a huge benefit to the community. I have also been hit multiple times by cars in Sunnyside due to not having adequate safe trails to run on.
- Just improve the existing pathway with some shade and plantings more benches
- On the hill, paths around the pool/park area.
- Close to Kiwanis park park.
- Near the new home developments off of Allen Road
- South Hill Park

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- South hill park, on Edison, bike lane on road
- placed between cities (ie sunnyside and grandview)
- In the North Ave area
- Maybe around center of town- along the hill
- out to outlook and further along railroad west side
- I'd like to see hiking Trails out Towards windhill
- Near South Hill park connecting the park towards Van De Graf dairy as there are already sidewalks in that area. Around the perimeter of the park would be a nice space as well.
- Around Central Park or south Hill park. A pump track for bikes and scooter would be fun for kids. Could go next to new skatepark. Also more and better playground equipment in Central Park would be a nice addition.
- South Hill Park, Central Park, and maybe a connecting trail between the two.
- BIKE/WALKING PATHS AROUND THE BIGGER PARKS
- On the south side of town.

Q3.1: What outdoor recreational activities do you or your family frequently participate in?

- Walking, No Sports Around for my grandson to play
- Hiking dog walking
- Walking, volleyball, bird watching
- Grass/sand volleyball, soccer, basketball, pickle ball, tennis, running, biking
- Fishing, camping, bbq, bon fires, football, baseball, volleyball, basketball
- We like to hike. We like to take our toddler to playgrounds. We like to swim.
- hiking, walking, sports, playgrounds
- Visiting the parks, enjoying the shade and the quiet time and/or watching/listening to the kids play
- None
- Yes
- Walking, some tubing, parks picnic
- None
- THE PANDEMIC IS OVER!
- Walking
- Walking
- Walking
- Hiking, sports activities, camping, swimming
- Walking & Jogging
- Camping, bbque
- Picnics
- Camping
- Art shows, farmers market more often
- Whatever is available

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- Hiking, mountaineering, biking, running, swimming
- Motorcycle touring
- Walking
- UTV'ing, hiking, swimming, baseball/softball,
- Hiking, biking and four wheeling
- Picnics, farmers market, swimming, walking, dog walking, gardening, outdoor cooking
- Biking, jogging and hiking
- Hiking and soccer
- Volleyball, riding bike, going for a walk, basketball, football
- camping, basketball
- Soccer Activities
- None
- volleyball, swim, frisbee, sledding, corn hole, tether ball
- marathons, walks
- swimming, sports, basketball and baseball, walking and jogging
- sports
- Soccer, basketball, hiking
- Walking, biking,running,playing football, volleyball.
- sports-soccer, running, going to the park, camping, swimming, horseback riding, dances
- walking
- running, rock climbing
- Walking, We like swimming all year round,
- Hiking, fishing, biking, softball, swimming and soccer
- Hiking, basketball, softball and baseball
- Biking, baseball, football, basketball
- Birding, hiking, picnicking
- Sports fields, namely baseball and softball, basketball courts
- Biking tennis
- Walking
- Walking, badminton, dog walking, gardening, landscaping, photography
- Birding, walking nature walks
- Volleyball, soccer
- SOFTBALL, TENNIS, BASKETBALL
- Walking and senior activities
- Hiking, Mt. Biking, Camping, Off Road, Hunting, Fishing
- Walking, Biking, Photography
- Hiking, walking, biking,
- Basketball

Q3.2: What indoor recreational activities do you or your family frequently participate in?

- Bowling, reading,

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- Volleyball, basketball, pickle ball
- E-sports, Pokémon tournaments, puzzles
- Board games, card games, model sets, bowling
- Community events, carnivals,
- crafts, reading, sports, play
- none
- yes
- Bingo, canasta, plays, potlucks, gardens
- bingo, potluck
- Bingo
- THE PANDEMIC IS OVER!
- None
- Fitness center
- Painting on canvases, board games, “minute to win it” competitions.
- E-sports.
- Board games, movie nights
- Movie watching, board games, dance
- None
- Whatever is available
- Weightlifting and swimming
- Reading, games, knitting, crochet,
- Wrestling, dancing, crafting,
- E-Sports
- Quilting, singing, cooking, reading, painting, pottery wheel
- Soccer
- Basketball
- Soccer, Basketball
- Laser tag, basketball
- Open court time
- Indoor soccer & basketball
- Knitting, calligraphy, circuit design, cooking, baking, dancing, computer coding, reading, arts and crafts, candle making, painting, drawing, movie watching, board games.
- Arts and crafts, baking, cooking.
- soccer, family fun centers, indoor swimming, gyms
- Just general hobbies. But it would be really nice if we had an indoor pool here
- Basketball, volleyball, and in-door soccer
- Video Games
- Volleyball, basketball, badminton
- Puzzles and board games
- Coloring, reading, games, piano
- Stamping, needlework

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- Halloween/ Easter activities that were held by community center before pandemic.
- Volleyball, Wrestling, Weightlifting, Basketball.
- ESPORTS
- Art, Dance
- None

Comments from Community Survey- Spanish

Q1.1: ¿Hay actividades / programas que le gustaría que el Departamento de Parques y Recreación de la Ciudad de Sunnyside ofreciera?? En caso afirmativo, ¿qué actividades le gustaría que se ofrecieran?

- Gymnastics upgrade the playgrounds in the parks they are all broken and old
- "Programas para las familias. Actividades culturales y recreativas, Festivales
- "Clases donde se toquen temas de mantener limpios nuestras área de recreación
- Más espacios de recreación para diferentes edades por separado .

Q 2.3. ¿Es adecuado el número de parques en Sunnyside? Comentarios sobre el número de parques:

- Puede mejorar y tener mejor uso

Q 2.4 desea ver senderos o senderos para bicicletas adicionales. ¿Dónde le gustaría que se coloquen?

- Mejor ubicación para todos

Q 3.1 : En qué actividades recreativas al aire libre participan con frecuencia usted o su familia?

- Soccer
- Caminamos de sunnyside a Grandview por el Hway

Q3.2: **En qué actividades recreativas en interiores participan con frecuencia usted o su familia?**

- Indoor swimming

Appendix 3- Sunnyside Recreational Interests Data

Question number six of the recreational interests section of the community survey asked respondents to choose all items that apply to themselves or their families. The most popular hobbies within Sunnyside, according to survey responses, include gardening, cooking for pleasure and having a pet. The most popular way to seek entertainment within Sunnyside is watching TV, watching sports/games, and going to the movies, according to survey results. According to survey results, the most popular games played in Sunnyside are cards, bingo and video games. Painting and or drawing is the most popular form of art, however the arts and crafts question within the recreation interest portion of the survey received a high amount of non-responses, thus suggesting that other items listed on the survey were not relevant to the population of the City of Sunnyside. Walking and or jogging was the most popular form of outdoor recreation, followed by camping and hiking. Being with family, barbeques and visiting with friends were the most popular forms of social or cultural activities. Swimming, followed by fishing, were the most popular forms of water sports. Sledding was the most popular winter sport, however this section also received a high amount of non-responses, which suggests that this section is also not culturally relevant to the population of Sunnyside. Basketball, baseball and football were the most popular survey response in the sports question. Below are graphs of survey results to question number six in the recreational interests section of the community survey.

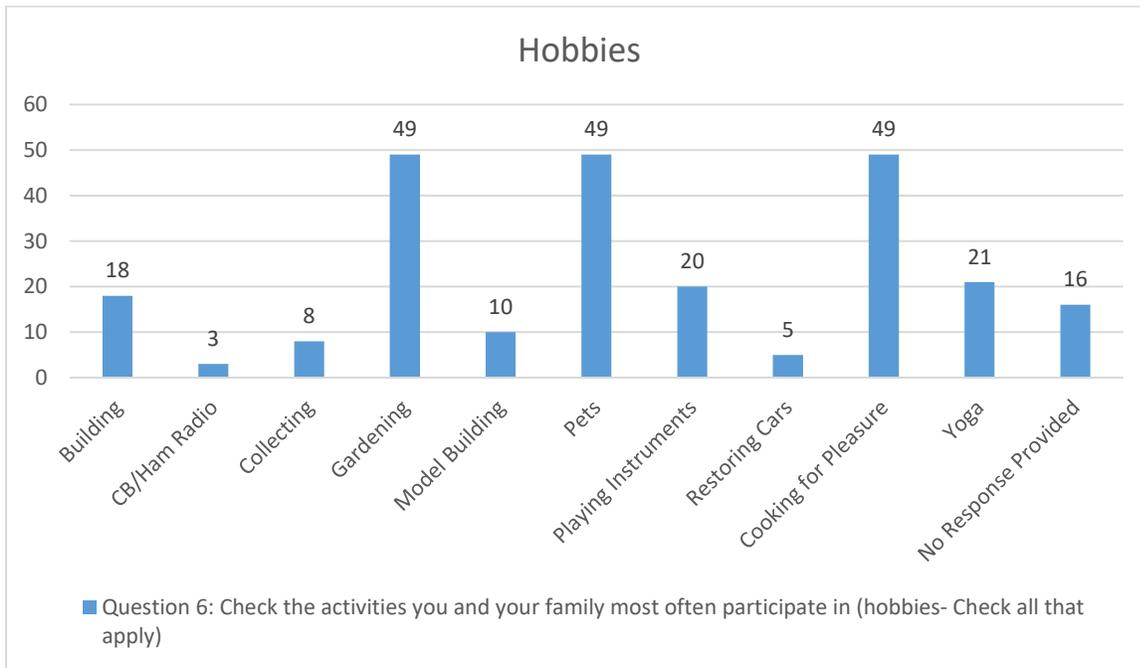


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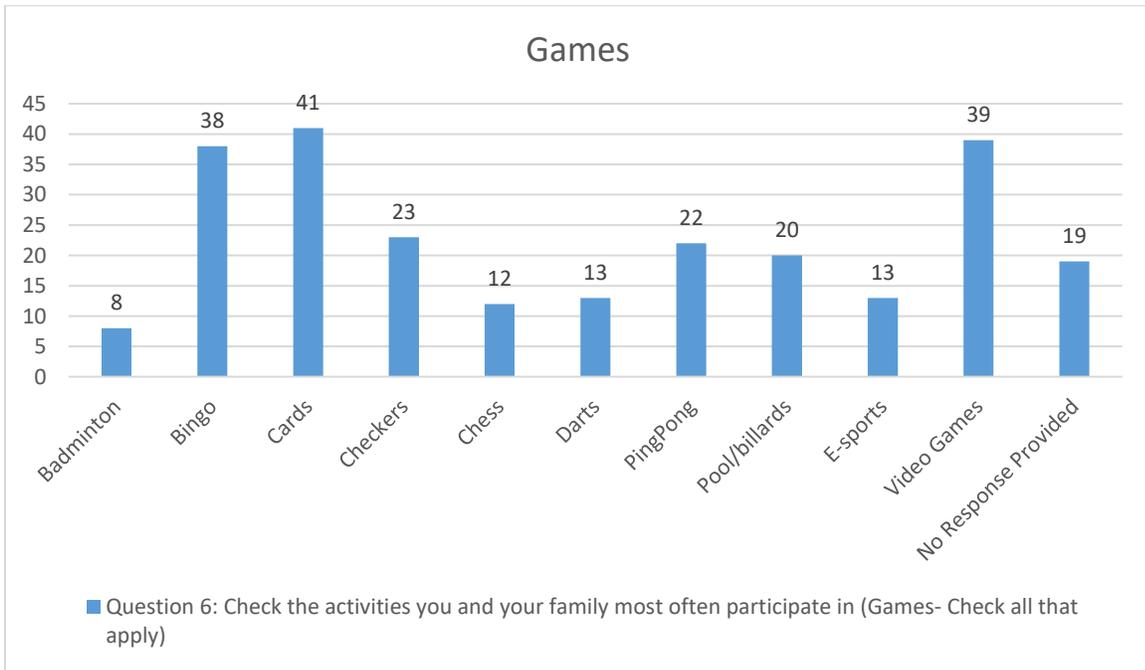
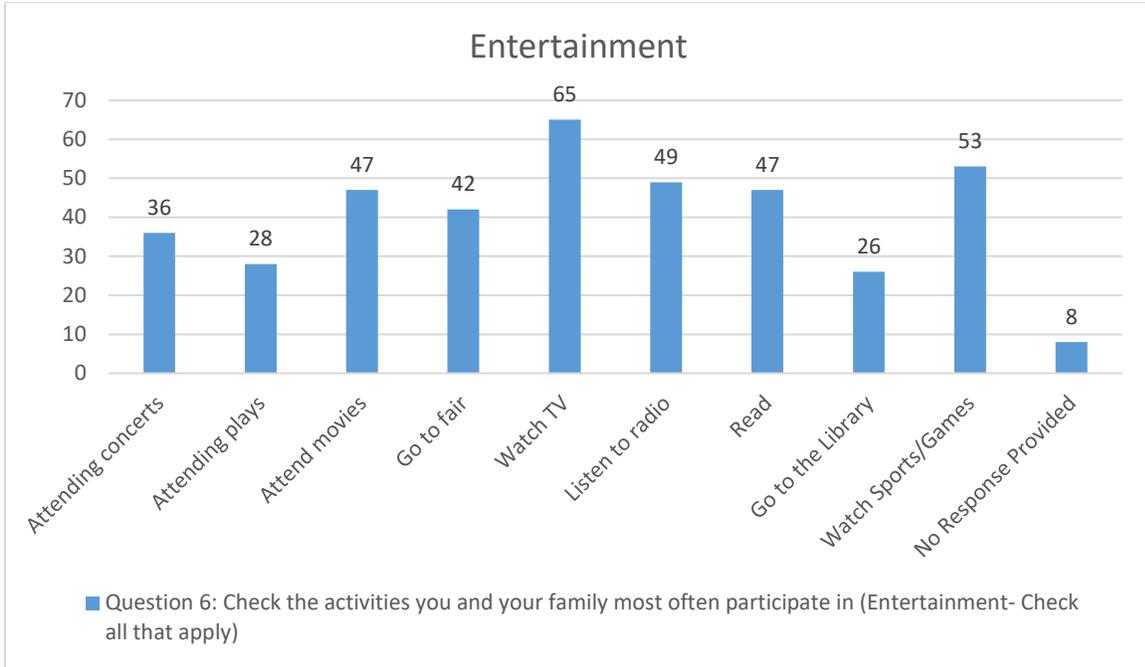


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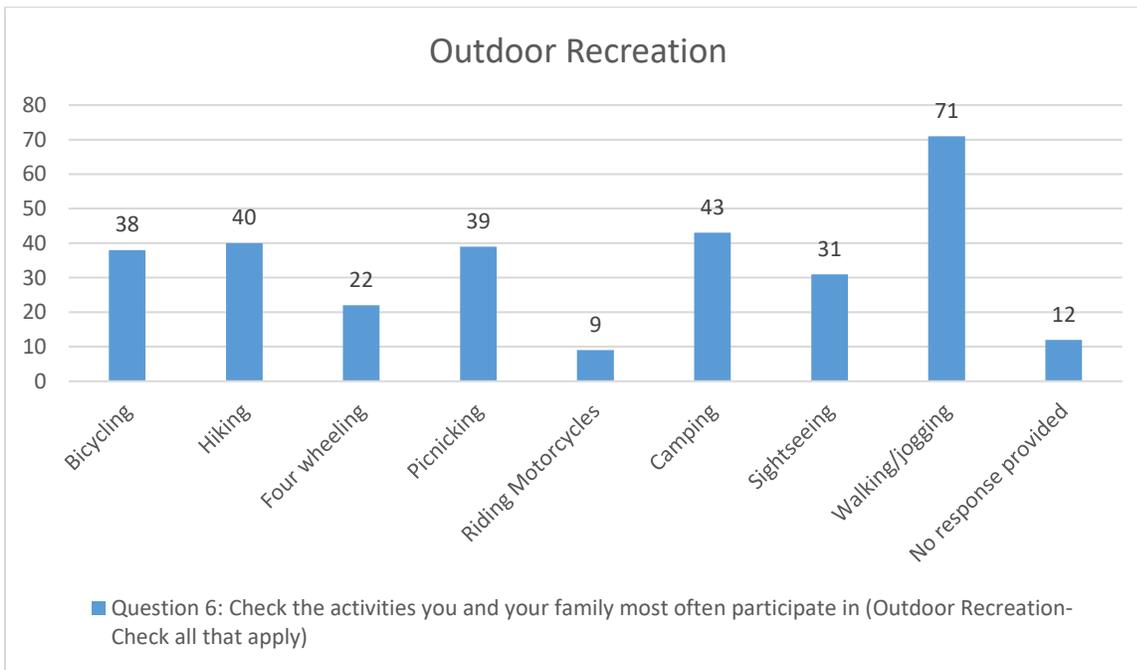
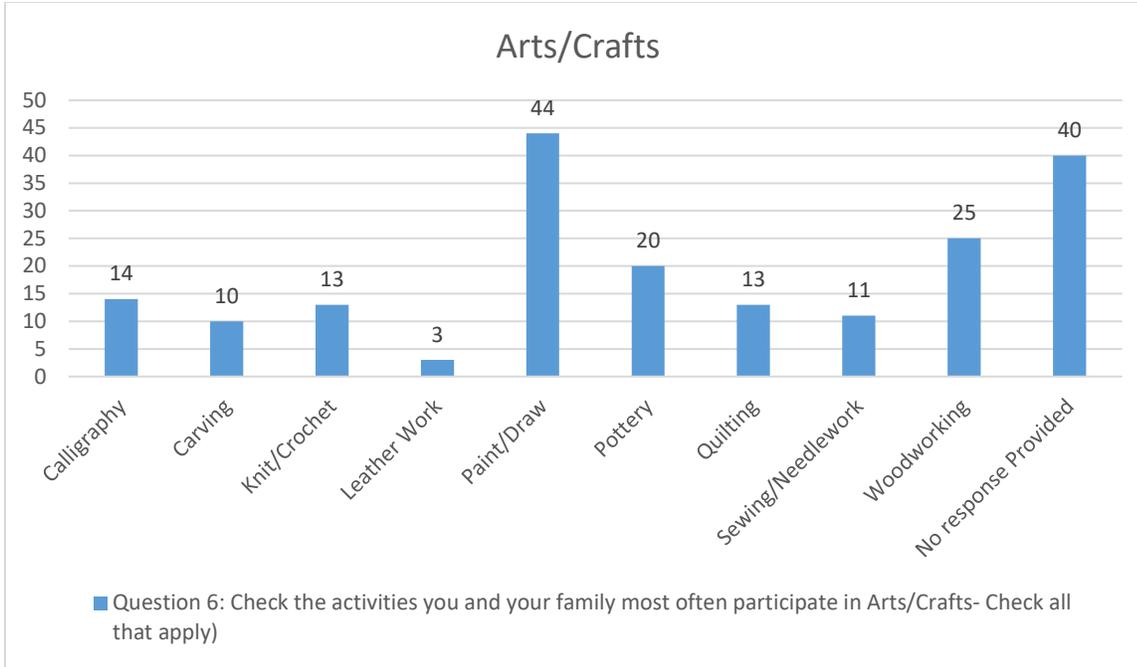


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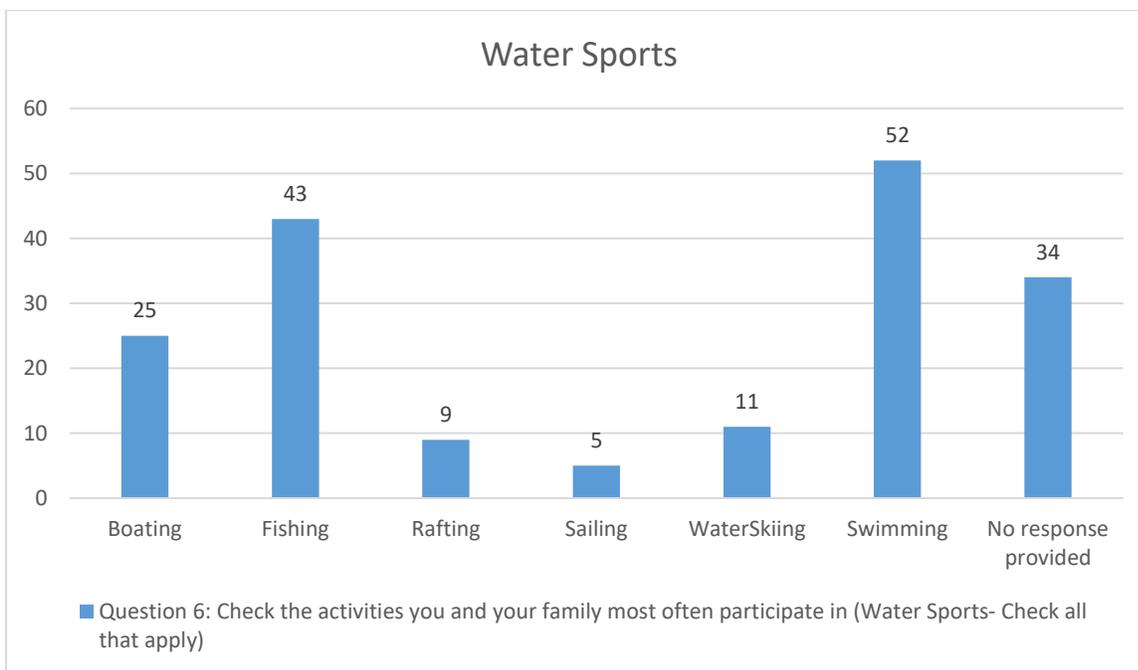
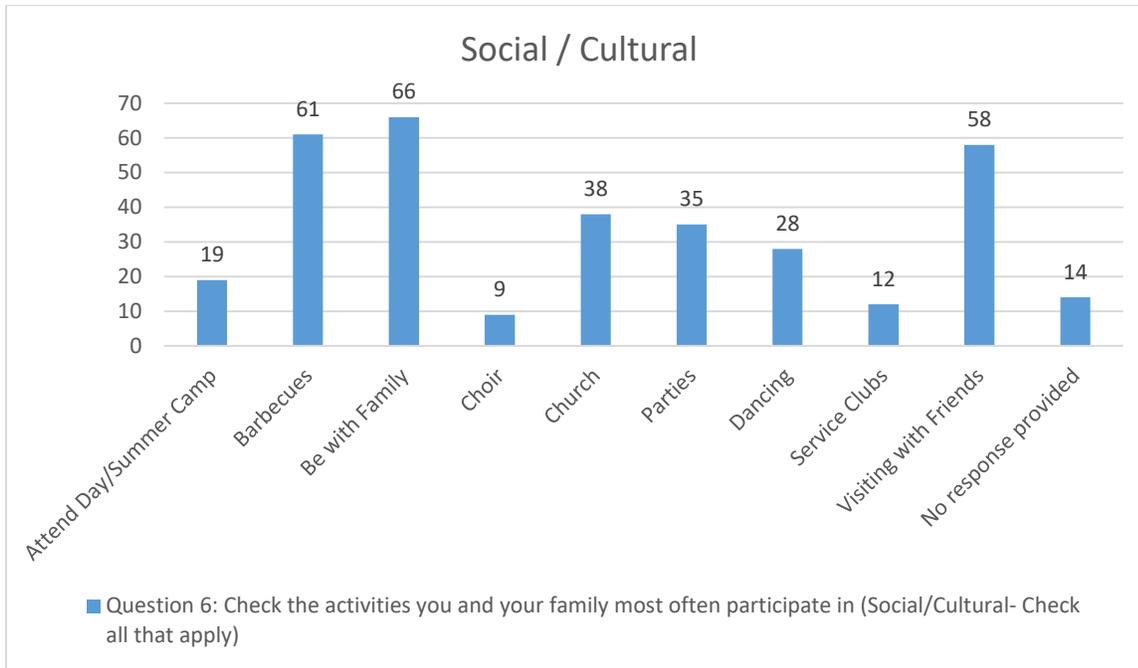


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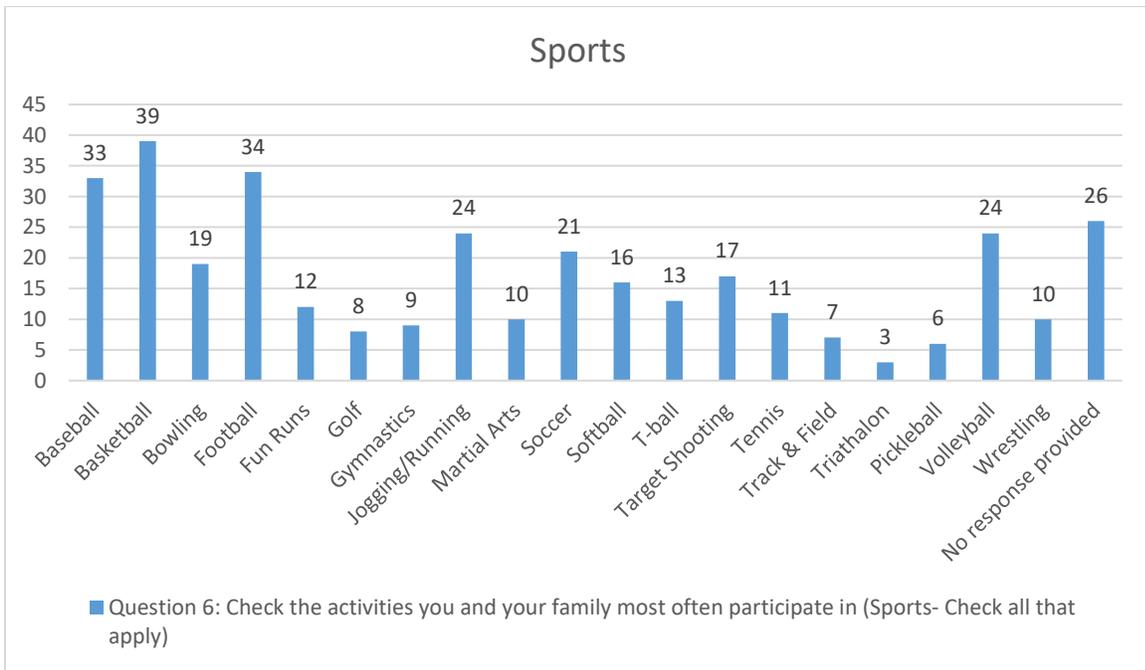


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Appendix 4 – Documentation of Public Outreach

The public was reached out to in several ways regarding the community survey, and subsequent community conversation, both of which informed Sunnyside’s Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan. The community survey was posted online for residents to take, and physical copies were available for pick up at City hall. Copies of the survey were available in English and Spanish.

Online, the survey was posted on the City’s website and social media pages, where it was regularly advertised between October 2021-January 2022. Below are a sample of the social media outreach posts:

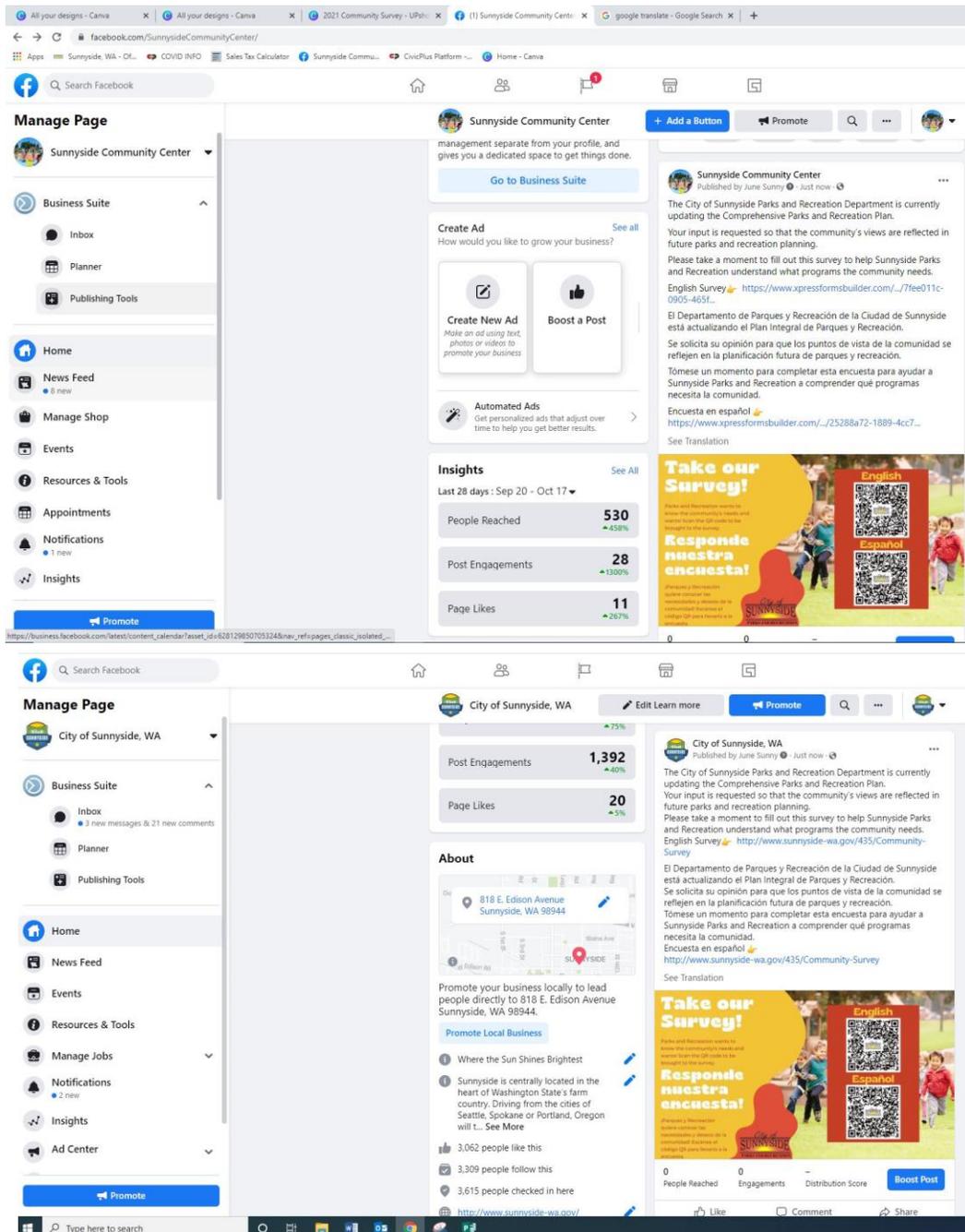


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Fliers were posted in parks and City facilities with QR Codes that, when scanned, directly linked to the community survey. This flier was posted within all parks and City facilities from October 2021 to January 2022. This flier is shown below.



Another flyer was sent out to all residents who receive a utility bill from the City of Sunnyside. This flyer was included in the November 30, 2021 bill statement. This flyer is shown below:



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There were three articles within the Sunnyside Sun, Sunnyside's local newspaper, one specifically about the community survey, one specifically about the community conversation, and one specifically about t. Screen captures of each article can be found below:

News article 1:

The screenshot shows the Sunnyside Sun website. At the top is the logo for Sunnyside Sun, which features a smiling sun character with a face and arms. To the right of the logo is a search bar and buttons for 'Sign Up' and 'Log In'. Below the logo is a navigation menu with categories: NEWS, SPORTS, OPINION, LIFESTYLE, ANNOUNCEMENTS, OBITUARIES, CLASSIFIEDS, LEGAL NOTICES, and SPECIAL SECTIONS. The main article is titled 'Parks and Rec looking for feedback' by Kevin Rounce, dated Nov 3, 2021. The article text discusses a survey being held by the Parks and Recreation Department for the beginning of 2022. It quotes Recreation Coordinator Gwen Weder, who says the goal is to get feedback from the community on what programs they have enjoyed in the past, what programs they would like to see in the future, how they feel about City of Sunnyside Parks and Recreation services, as well as to gain an understanding of their recreational interests in general. The questionnaire is available both online and by a paper copy at city hall. It's also in English and Spanish. The article mentions that this information helps evaluate previous programs and services, and helps to prepare new programs to be more aligned with the community's wants and interests. The data collected in the survey will also help to inform the 2022-2027 Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan, a part of the City's Comprehensive Plan. Once the survey closes next year, the information will be collected and analyzed. There will be additional meetings with the public to get more feedback as well. Those meetings will be announced at a later date. You can find the online version of the survey under the Parks and Recreation section of the city's website: <http://ci.sunnyside.wa.us>. Further questions and/or feedback can be directed to the Parks and Recreation department at 509-837-8660. Kevin Rounce can be reached at 509-837-4500 ext 110 or email krounce@sunnysidesun.com. On the right side of the article, there is a social media sharing section with icons for Facebook, Twitter, Email, Print, and Bookmark. Below that is an advertisement for Wheeler's Deli, which features images of various food items like ceviche and menudo. The ad includes the address 7453 Sunnyside-Mabton Hwy, Mabton, WA 98935, the phone number 509-894-4080, and the operating hours from 9am to 5pm. Below the advertisement is a 'MOST POPULAR' section with a list of article titles: Sunnyside Athletic Complex named, Police investigating Monday night shooting, Armando Amaro Gutierrez, Victor R. Campos, Reuben Reinhold Roehl, Maria I. Bazaldua, Johnny Duane Zieske, Toppenish woman killed in collision, Larry Albert Taylor, and Debra Bernice Brandmire. At the bottom right of the screenshot is a small advertisement that says 'Unleash your creative'.

News article 2:

The screenshot shows the Sunnyside Sun website interface. At the top, there is a search bar and navigation links for 'Sign Up' and 'Log In'. A black navigation bar contains categories: NEWS, SPORTS, OPINION, LIFESTYLE, ANNOUNCEMENTS, OBITUARIES, CLASSIFIEDS, LEGAL NOTICES, and SPECIAL SECTIONS. The main article title is 'Sunnyside to hold community conversation', dated Jan 12, 2022. The article text discusses a virtual meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 18, regarding the Parks, Recreation and Open Space plan and the Comprehensive City Plan. It mentions that the PROS plan is a six-year guide and that the comprehensive plan provides a vision for the park and recreation system. A 'MOST POPULAR' section lists various local news items. At the bottom, there are tags for 'Programs', 'Recreation', 'Welfare', 'Work', 'City', 'Pros Plan', 'Community', 'Zoom', and 'Passcode', and a comment section showing '(0) COMMENTS'. A sidebar on the right features an advertisement for 'Wheeler's Deli' and another for 'Unleash your creative superpowers' by Adobe.

News Article 3:



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Given Weder of the Sunnyside Parks and Recreation hosted a community conversation last Tuesday, Jan. 18.

Questions about what improvements should be made to the parks and rec program were posed to the attendees of the Zoom meeting.

This is in connection with the proposed Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan to implemented over the next six years.

The plan seeks to provide a guide to set standards and policies maintaining and expanding the park system, as well as improve resource utilization.

It also seeks to explore the City's needs regarding expanding the park system, especially in areas of the City where parkland is lacking and where local and safe pedestrian access to other parks is unavailable.

On Monday, Feb. 7, the plan will be presented in the City Council workshop meeting, where council will discuss.

Then the plan will be a public hearing and action item on the Monday, Feb. 14 City Council Agenda.

If the plan is adopted it will be submitted to the Washington State Recreation Conservation Office (RCO) by Tuesday, March 1.

Submitting the plan will then make the City eligible for Recreation grants from the RCO for the next six years, which could help fund new improvements to the Park & Recreation system.

A rough draft of the plan can be found on the City's website at www.ci.sunnyside.wa.us/436/Planning-Projects

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A public hearing for the plan was held on February 14, 2022 during the City Council meeting. This was advertised through the legal section of the Sunnyside Sun, which a screen capture of could be found below:

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING & ENVIRONMENTAL THRESHOLD DETERMINATION

SUNNYSIDE CITY COUNCIL

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2022

6:30 PM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following open record hearing before the Sunnyside City Council will be held on Monday, February 14, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. The public hearing before the Sunnyside City Council will be held virtually at the above date and time to receive comments and recommendations concerning the following application:

Project Description: The City of Sunnyside must periodically review and, if needed, revise its Park, Recreation and Open Space Plan (PROS) to ensure that it is update with current information and needs. The PROS Plan creates a framework that will allow the City to respond to new opportunities as they arise, and to ensure that parks, facilities and recreation programs meet the needs of Sunnyside's residents, employees and visitors now and into the future.

Environmental Review: The City of Sunnyside, as lead agency for this proposal. The City of Sunnyside is issued a DNS under WAC 197-11-340(2) on January 24, 2022. Your views on this proposal are welcome and comments related to this threshold determination must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on February 7, 2022. After the comment period has ended, the City of Sunnyside will issue a Notice of Decision and retain, modify, or withdraw the DNS, without additional comment period.

Request Comments: Those persons wishing to comment on the application may do so at this hearing using the Zoom information on the City of Sunnyside website or may submit written comments via email to comments@sunnyside-wa.gov or mail to the Recreation Coordinator at 818 E. Edison Avenue, Sunnyside, WA, 98944. All emailed and written comments must be received by the city by 4 PM on February 14, 2022. Please reference file PROS Update.

Copies of the updated Park, Recreation and Open Space Plan can be obtained at: <https://www.sunnyside-wa.gov/436/Planning-Projects>

If you have any question on this proposal, please contact Gwen Weder, Recreation Coordinator at (509) 837-8660 or gweder@sunnyside-wa.gov.

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