

YOUR PARKS; YOUR RECREATION; YOUR VOICE

JOIN THE CONVERSATION





PROCESS

OCT 24 – WORKSHOP - COMPLETED

OCT 24 – NOV 20 – SURVEY - COMPLETED

NOV 20 - PRELIMINARY DATA - COMPLETED

DEC 18 - RECOMMENDATIONS TO COMMISSION

JAN 2020 - RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL

FEB 2020 - PROP 68 APPLICATION

MAY 2020 - 20/21 BUDGET





SURVEY DETAILS

ONLINE

10/6 -11/17

31 QUESTIONS

669 RESPONSES





WORKSHOP
DETAILS
10/24/19
6:00-9:00
DINNER SERVED

OPEN ENDED STICKY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

BREAK OUT GROUPS

1 TABLE PER THEME

2 ROTATIONS

REPORT OUT

VOTING EXERCISE



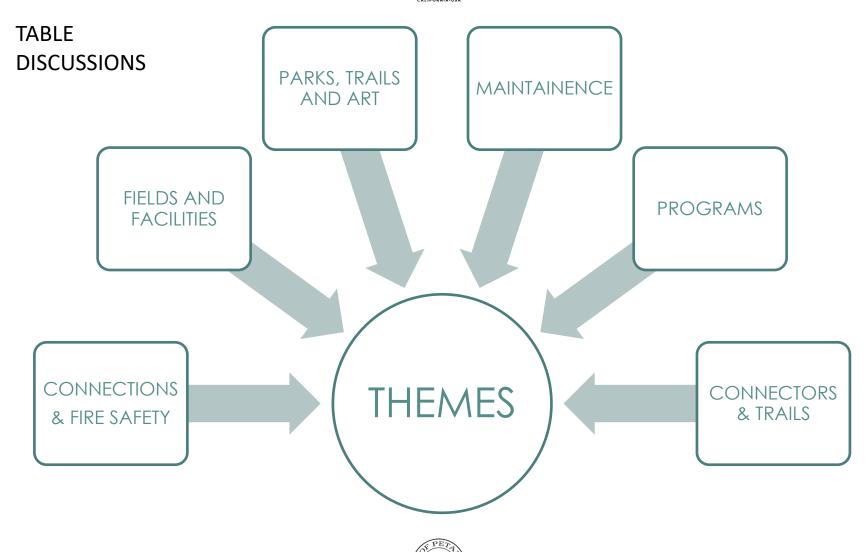


OUTREACH FOR SURVEY AND WORKSHOP

POSTERS ARGUS ADS SOCIAL MEDIA WEBSITE







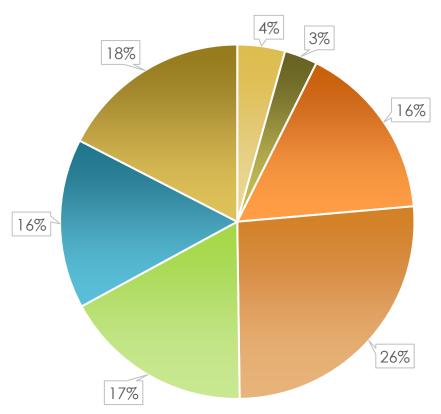


SURVEY RESULTS





What is your age group?

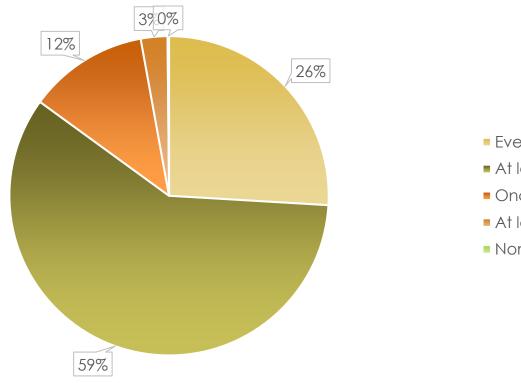


- Under 18
- **18-24**
- **25-34**
- **35-44**
- **45-54**
- **55-64**
- **65**+





How often do you visit a Petaluma Park or Recreation Facility?

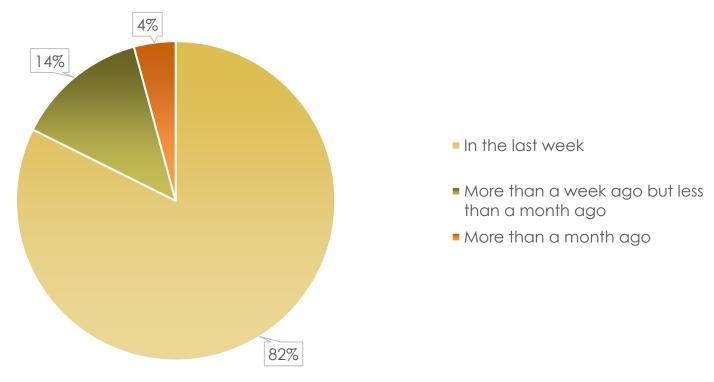


- Everyday
- At least once a week
- Once a month
- At least once a year
- None at all





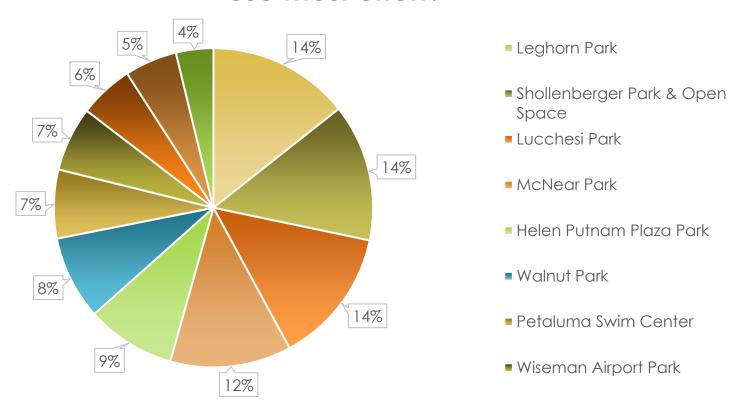
When was the last time you visited a Petaluma Park or Recreation Facility?







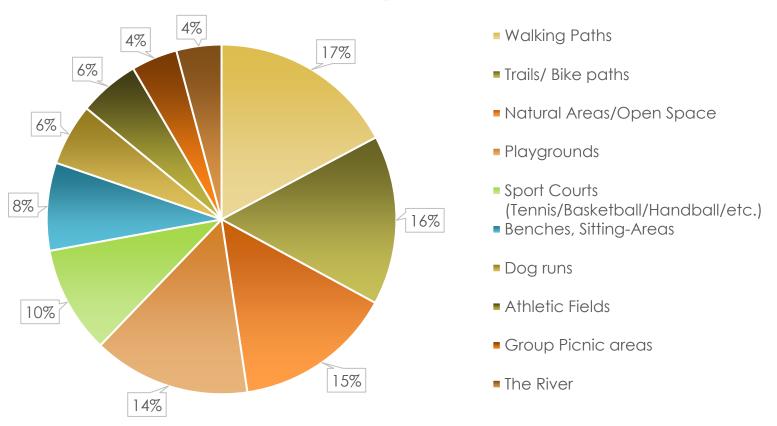
Which Park(s) or recreation facilities do you use most often?







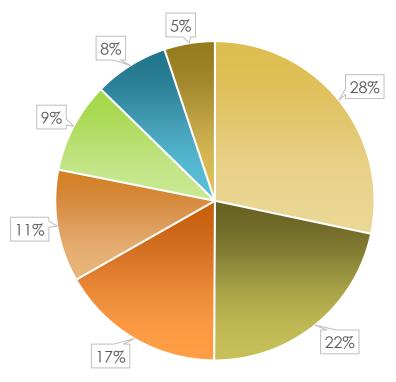
What Park Features do you most often use?







What are the top 3 most Important Park qualities to you?

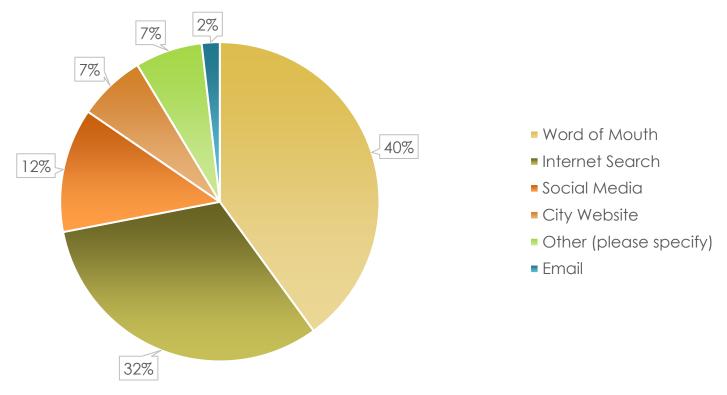


- Well kept and maintained
- Safety
- Restrooms
- Other (please specify)
- Aesthetics
- A Community gathering Space
- Drinking Fountains





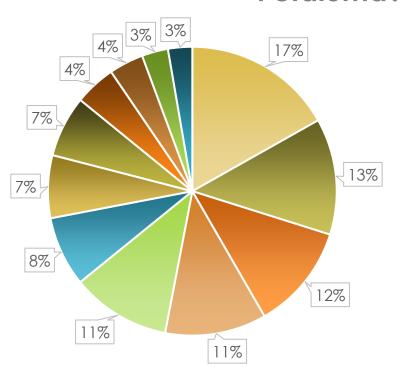
How do you find information about local parks and/or facilities you plan to visit?







What park amenities or recreation features would you like to see most improved in Petaluma?



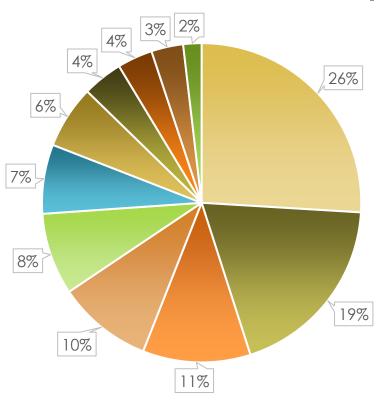
- Other (please specify)
- Improved Maintenance
- Trails
- Playgrounds
- Bathrooms (in parks that do not have restrooms)
- Trees
- Benches, trash receptacles, drinking fountains

 Park Pathways
- Water Conservation
- Sports fields





Which pathways do you currently use or would use if improved?

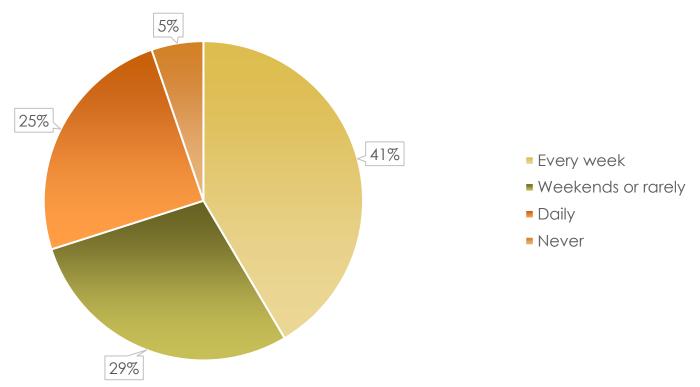


- Shollenberger Park and Trails
- Lynch Creek
- Wiseman Trail
- Westridge Trail
- East Washington Creek
- Other (please specify)
- Adobe Creek
- Thompson Creek Trail
- Washington
- Capri Creek
- Denman Reach Trail





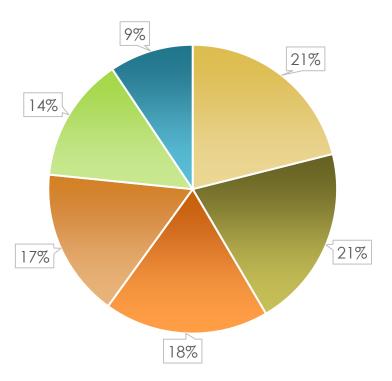
How often do you use tails, walkways, and bicycle paths?







What improvements to bicycle paths and pedestrian walkways would lead you to enjoy them more often?

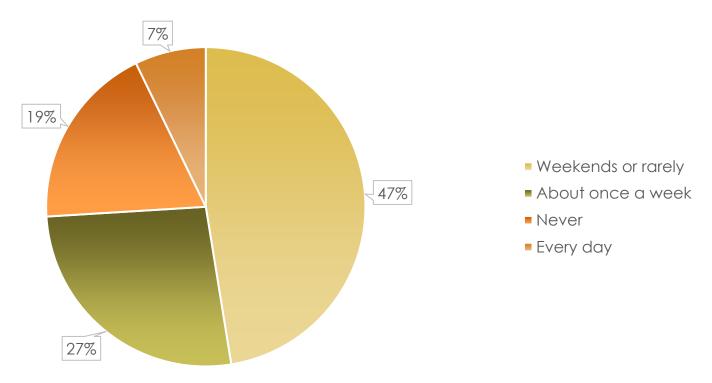


- Improved surfacing and trail maintenance
- Better connections from streets and neighborhoods
- Increase the overall length and access of trails
- Improved lighting and trail signage
- More frequent brush and debris removal
- Other (please specify)





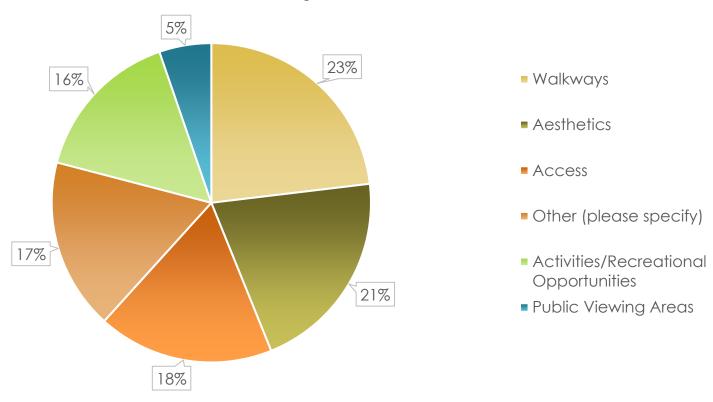
How often do you spend time at or on the Petaluma River?







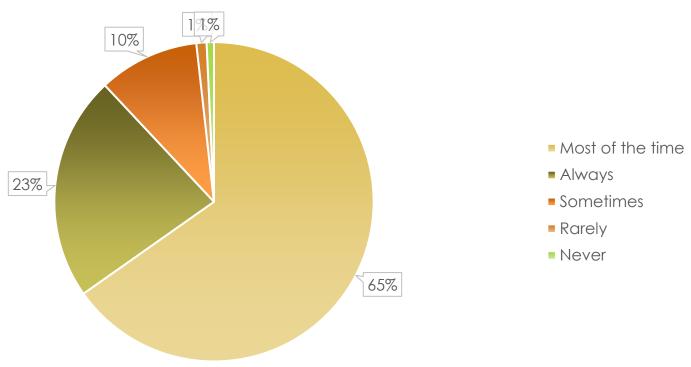
What about the River would you most like to see improved?







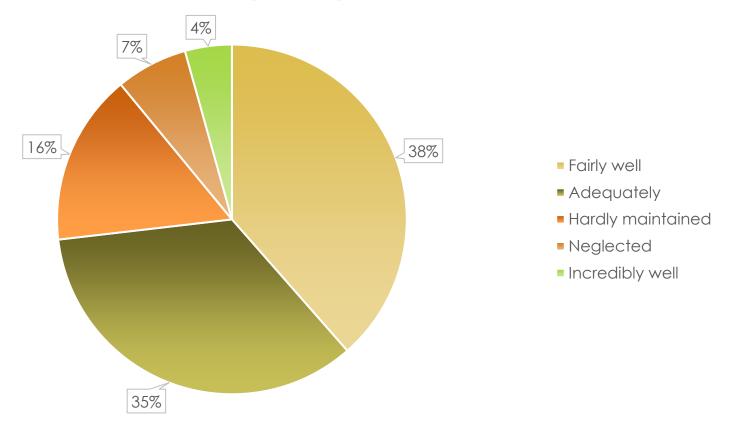
How often do you feel safe when you visit Petaluma parks?







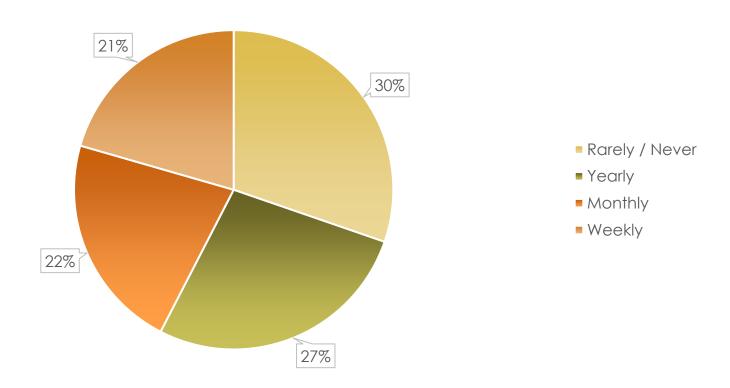
How well are the parks you visit maintained?







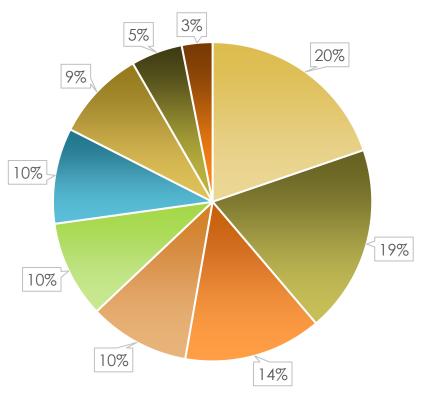
How often do you have gatherings / events at parks and facilities?







What recreation programs or activities do you currently participate in or have in the past?



- Outdoor Recreation (i.e Tennis, Basketball, Pickleball, Handball, etc.)
- Youth sports and classes
- Aquatics
- Adult sports leagues
- Other (please specify)
- Summer camps
- Fitness or wellness classes





What park features do you wish the City had or had more of?

children water features Pickleball picnics play areas enough benches well maintained nice Swim Center great group S Free paths condition clean sitting pickle ball courts much play structures make Skateparks maintained build restrooms updated one bigger water nature kids paths Petaluma accessible areas walking City pool Pickleball courts players lighting west side bathrooms Lucchesi better open space tennis courts lots parks think shade see trails new playgrounds wish city need year play structures splash pad pathways courts Shade structures maintenance bike paths dogs Skatepark people bike especially safe connecting trees wish skate park paved access days places river improved dog run facilities going town new skatepark use work new skatepark Petaluma running Dog Hiking trails large around community water fountains parks





How could your park experience be improved?

repair Cleanliness swim center debris updated ages Better lighting Pickle ball courts play

structures people Safety paved new skatepark Petaluma existing Keep tennis facilities biking surface Less landscape trees left new Lucchesi Skatepark older dogs s playgrounds build courts removed kids Resurface USE

date access community areas improvement clean pathways

Petaluma space maintenance pesticides bathrooms cracks better please parks include tennis courts equipment shade love trails

Clean bathrooms need around maintained Leghorn play walking

lights go restrooms water fountains paths also better maintained well Better maintenance homeless improved often facilities walking paths city benches safe park experience See activities trash bike paths Weeds tennis courts Lucchesi Add want McNear Park lot Lynch Creek Trail new skate park park needs walnut Park near great making skate park





What's missing? / What recreation activities or park features do you travel outside of the city to find / do?

lighting skating Santa Rosa way water park often Leghorn go Santa Rosa town see N play structures bike trails toddlers great travel outside Petaluma clean play tennis activities public skate park evening pickleball courts nature Rohnert Park many playgrounds maintained places open kids large pool swimming pools play travel Rohnert Park areas pickle ball Pickleball Sebastopol None time splash pad classes hiking tennis courts children walking Petaluma really parks better Marin Tennis San Rafael travel Group courts pickle ball courts use summer trails new skatepark Petaluma go go Rohnert Park bike safe skateparks Novato hiking trails indoor pool need much skatepark find facilities water play Shaded hiking Helen Putnam Water maintained tennis courts Mountain biking well maintained SWimming travel cities Rohnert Park play around



Water features also nice open space City tennis facilities ones entire league Nothing drive take



What classes, programs, or special events would you like to see offered more in Petaluma?

see Maybe gatherings run opportunities community center Community events smaller dancing music festivals public brings great year round group photography youth Baby etc nature leagues tennis courts toddlers cooking classes water things better pickle ball Skateboarding anything family tournaments pickleball together None

Movies park

Weekend music competitions outdoor day

activities want programs use kids swim park seniors

classes think tennis river events improved community work yoga access adult exercise classes

Petaluma needs art make free tree planting sure evening sports

New skate park fitness soccer new skatepark Petaluma Year round swim new summer camps people pickleball courts art classes plays lessons Pickleball tournaments concerts swimming pool offerings shows children area city maintain age NA dance classes Music events swim classes indoor town parents



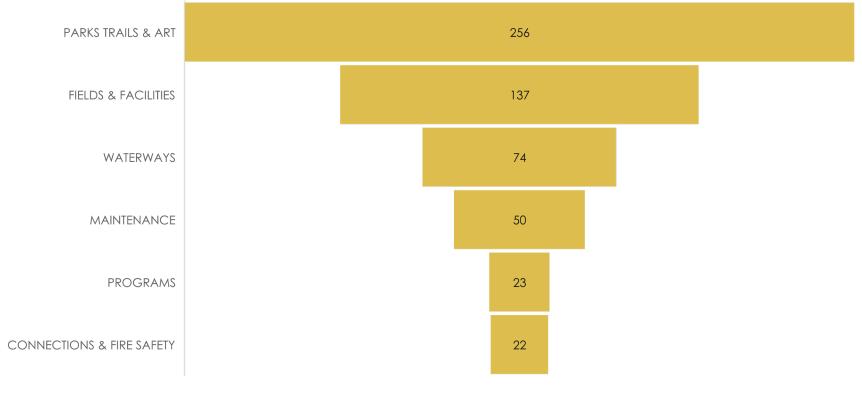


WORKSHOP RESULTS





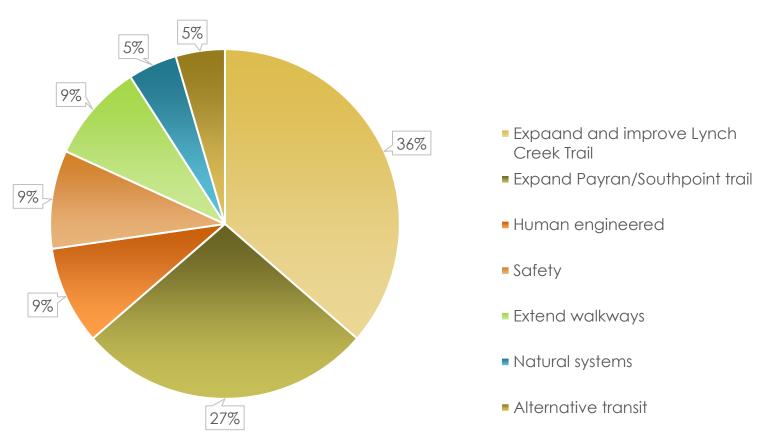
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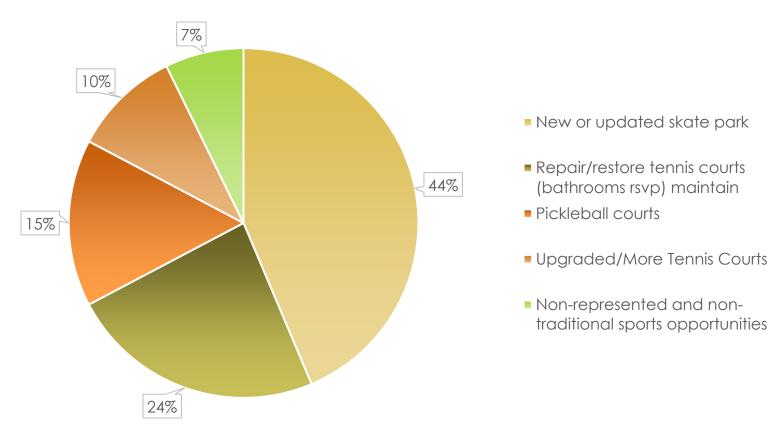
TOP PRIORITIES: CONNECTORS AND FIRE SAFETY







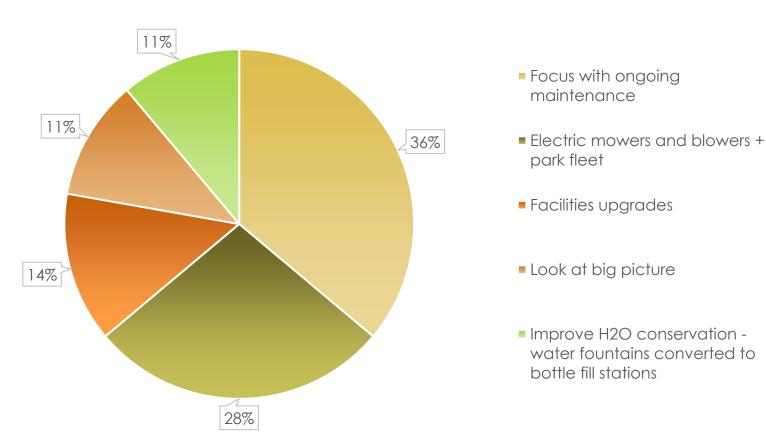
TOP PRIORITIES: FIELDS AND FACILITIES







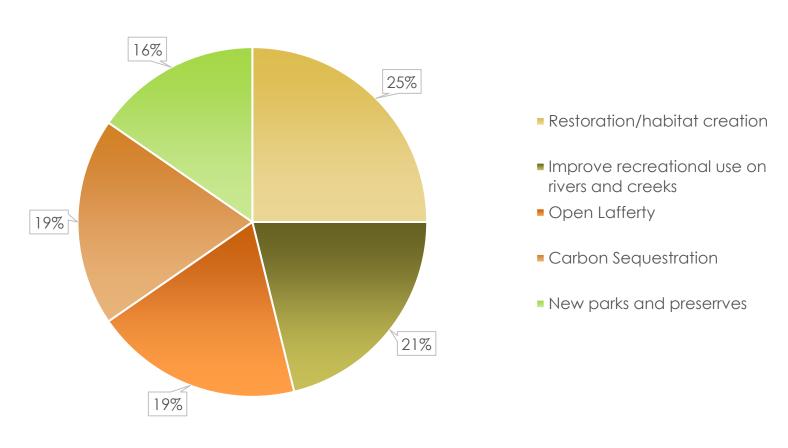
TOP PRIORITIES: MAINTENCE







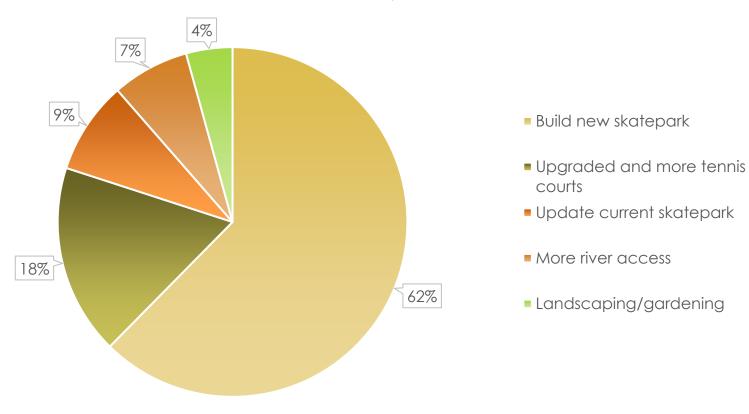
TOP PRIORITIES: WATERWAYS







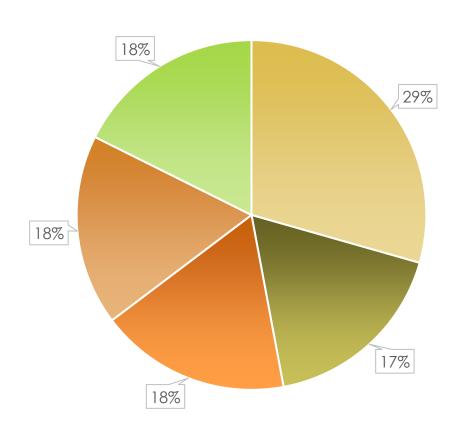
TOP PRIORITIES: PARKS, TRAILS AND ART







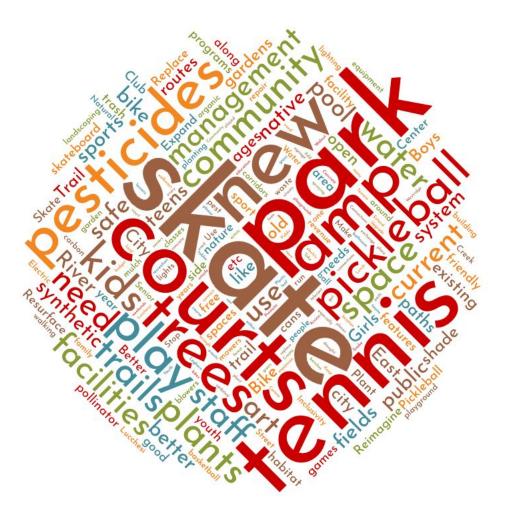
TOP PRIORITIES: PROGRAMS



- PROGRAMS Promote intergenerational family sports that are low cost
- PROGRAMS Nature as a vehicle for education
- PROGRAMS Volunteer program
- PROGRAMS Active recreation for ALL ages
- PROGRAMS Scholarship programs







Word cloud generated from all 480 post-it notes written at the workshop.

These are words mentioned more than three times.





INSIGHTS





WHAT WE LEARNED:

We use the facilities in our parks and we want them updated.

70% of dot votes went to two themes:

Athletic fields & recreational facilities

Park amenities





NUANCES OF THE DATA:

There were two large, organized groups at the workshop

- People seeking an upgraded skateboard park
- People seeking upgraded tennis courts

These two topics were discussed by many of the groups regardless of the theme for that table discussion.





NUANCES OF THE DATA:

The workshop was held from 6:00-9:00 and many people began leaving early. We wrapped up the workshop early, but some participants missed the dot voting exercise.





NUANCES OF THE DATA:

Overlap in the priorities discussed for:

ATHLETIC FIELDS & RECREATIONAL FACILITIES PARK AMENITIES

Many innovative ideas can be found on the sticky notes. Some of these did not receive the dot votes to rise to the top of the data, but they could prove to be valuable solutions for our parks.

