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2009 COMMUNITY SURVEY FACILITY PRIORITIES



The **2009 Community Attitude and Interest Survey** identified the following facilities as the park and recreation facilities considered *most important* to the community:

- Walking and biking trails
- Lakefront parks
- Small neighborhood parks
- Indoor fitness and exercise facilities
- Nature Center and trails



The **2009 Community Attitude and Interest Survey** also identified the following facilities as the park and recreation facilities *needed most* by the community:

- Walking and biking trails
- Lakefront parks
- Small community parks
- Nature center and trails
- Indoor fitness and exercise facilities
- Indoor running & walking tracks
- Outdoor pools and water parks



The **2009 Community Attitude and Interest Survey** identified that 41% of households think the community needs **two golf courses**, 43% do not think that the community needs two golf courses, and the remaining 16% did not provide a response.



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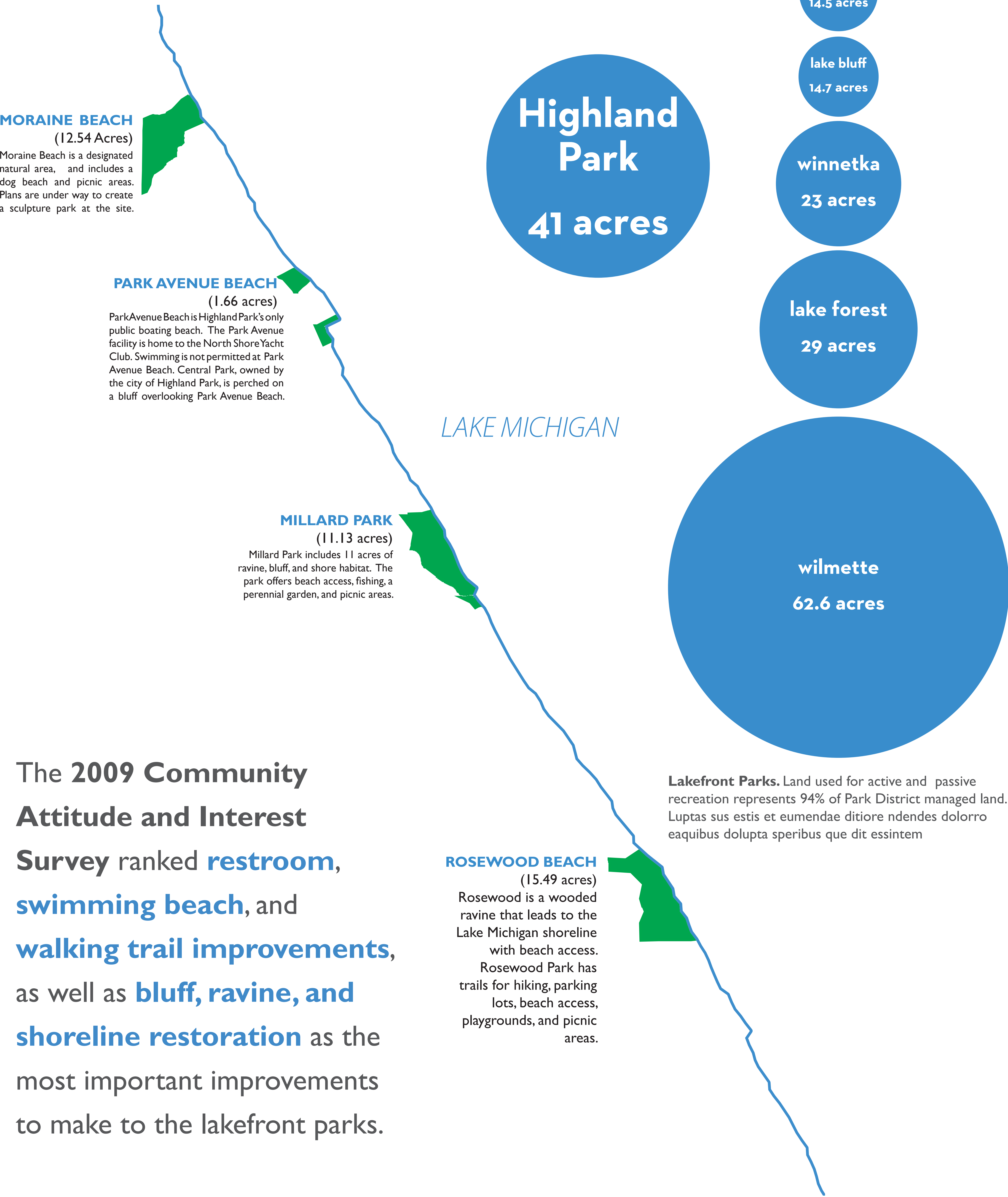
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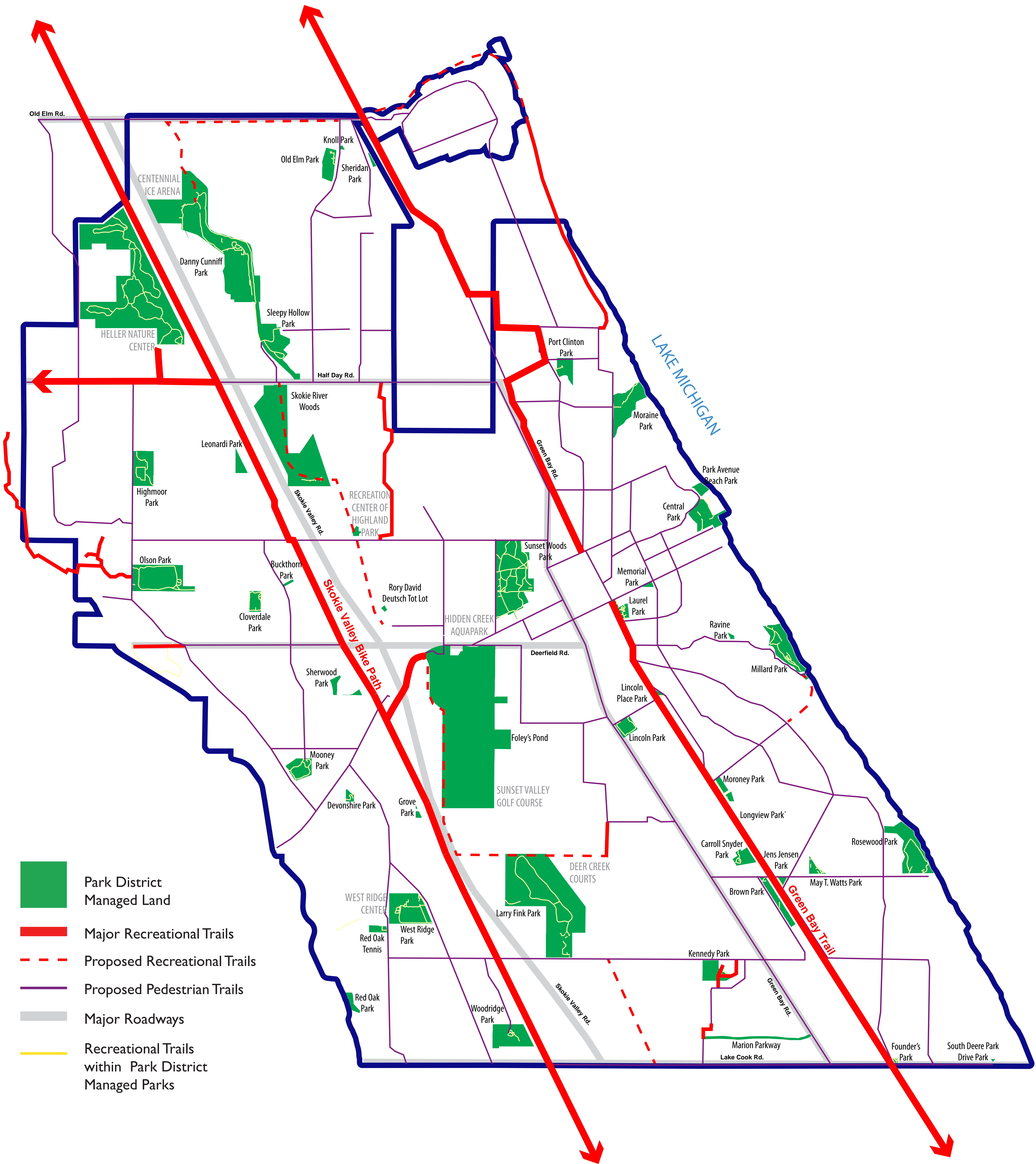
THE PARK DISTRICT MANAGES 41 ACRES OF PUBLIC LAKEFRONT PARKS



The **2009 Community Attitude and Interest Survey** ranked **restroom**, **swimming beach**, and **walking trail improvements**, as well as **bluff, ravine, and shoreline restoration** as the most important improvements to make to the lakefront parks.

DID YOU KNOW?

THE PARK DISTRICT MAINTAINS 16 MILES OF PUBLIC, RECREATIONAL WALKING AND BIKING TRAILS



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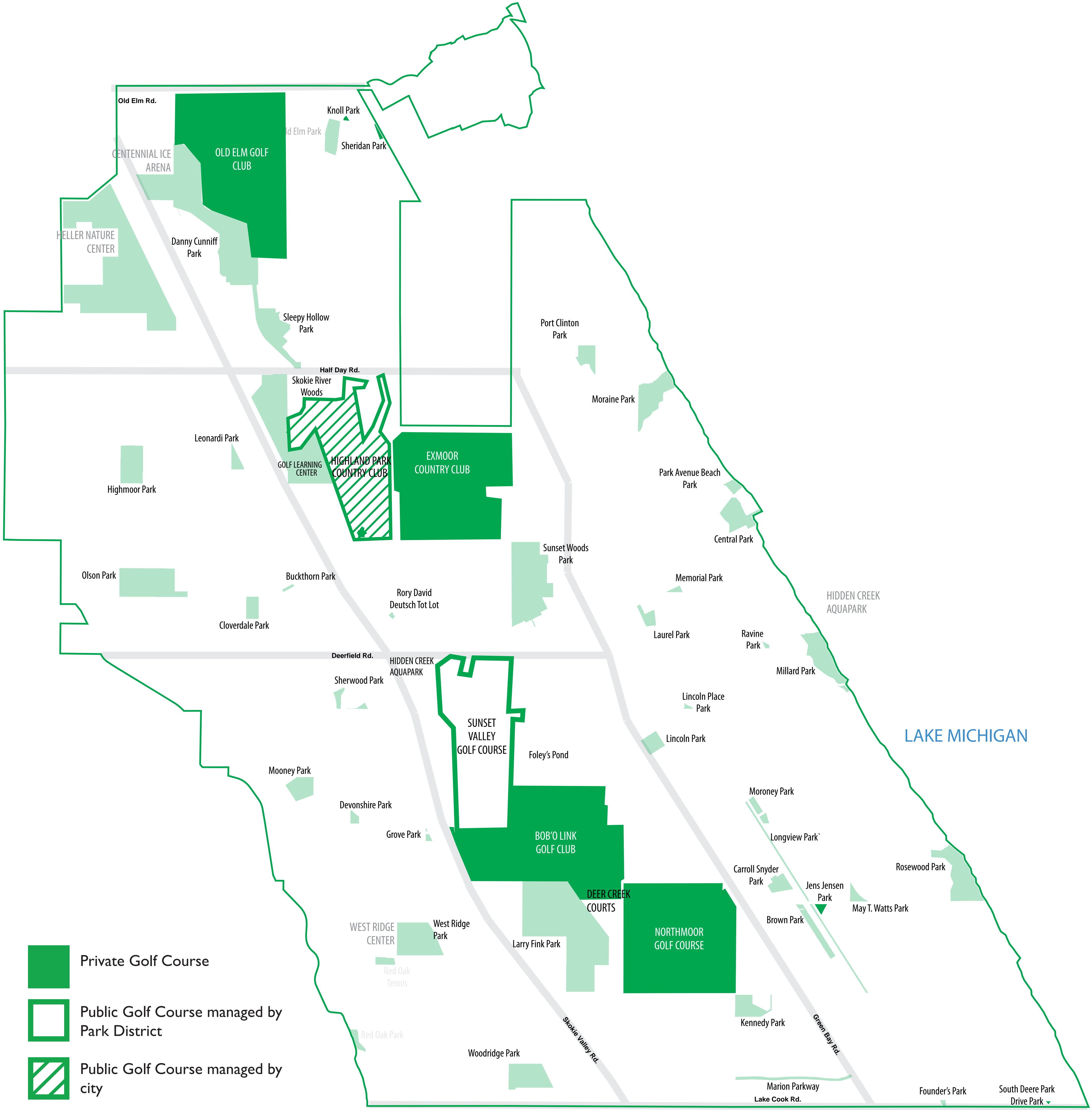
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DID YOU KNOW?

HIGHLAND PARK IS HOME TO SIX GOLF COURSES, INCLUDING ONE CITY OWNED COURSE AND ONE PARK DISTRICT OWNED COURSE



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THE PARK DISTRICT OFFERS A WIDE VARIETY OF RECREATION PROGRAMS FOR YOUTH, ADULTS, AND SENIORS

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This is significantly higher than the national average of 30%, and higher than the Illinois average of 38%.

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DID YOU KNOW?

2009 COMMUNITY SURVEY PROGRAMMING PRIORITIES



The **2009 Community Attitude and Interest Survey** identified the following as the park and recreation programs *most important* to the community:

- Adult fitness and wellness programs
- Youth sports programs
- Youth summer camps
- Special events



The **2009 Community Attitude and Interest Survey** identified the following as the park and recreation programs *needed most* by the community:

- Adult fitness and wellness programs
- Special events
- Nature programs/environmental education
- Youth sports programs



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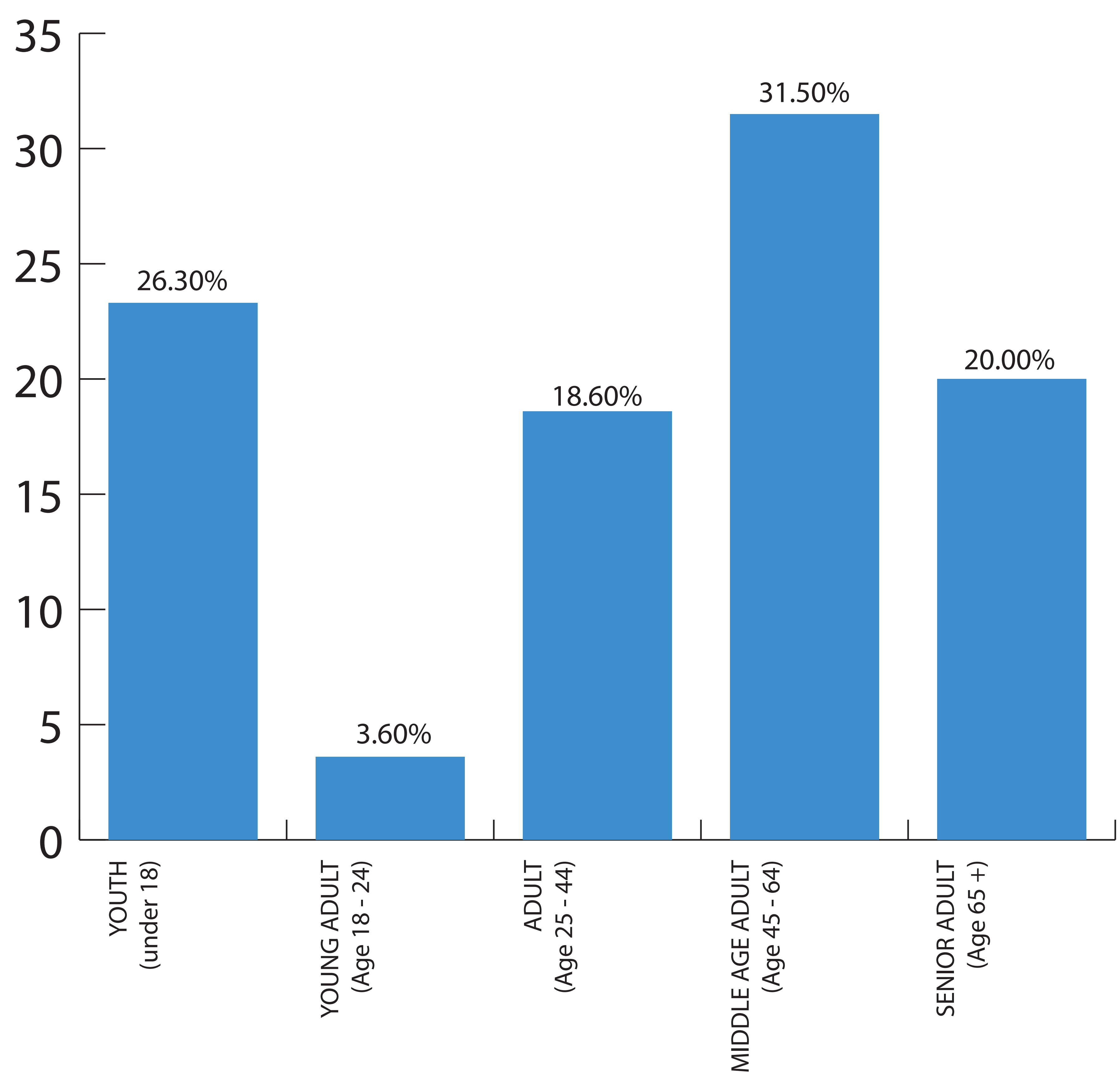
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DID YOU KNOW?

THE LARGEST GROWING POPULATION IN HIGHLAND PARK IS 45 & ABOVE



Age Segment as % of Total Highland Park Population (2010 Census)

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The project team organized the planning process into four phases: ENGAGE, ANALYZE, ENVISION, and IMPLEMENT. Throughout the ENGAGE project phase, the project team focused on community outreach, project promotion, and dialogue facilitation. During ANALYZE, the project team conducted a comprehensive inventory of parks, facilities, and programs owned or managed by the Park District noting needs and opportunities for further study. The ENVISION and IMPLEMENT project phases included an evaluation of potential master plan projects which led to the development of the GreenPrint 2024 vision.

ENGAGE

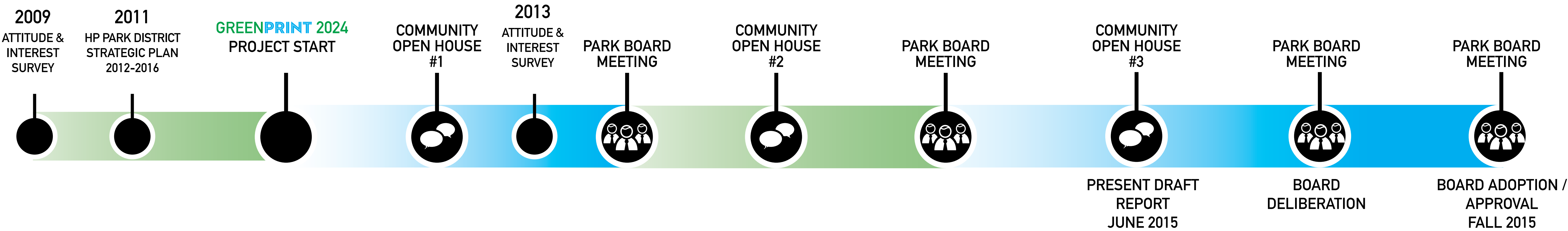
understanding the needs & desires of the community and stakeholders

ANALYZE

comprehensive review & assessment of the Park District's facilities

ENVISION + IMPLEMENT

creating a shared community vision for the Park District creating an action plan of strategies to implement plan projects



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PROJECT PROCESS

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Stakeholder Interviews and Focus Groups



Public Open House Events



Outreach at Community Events



Community Attitude and Interest Survey Update



Evaluation of National Recreation Trends



Evaluation of Peer Community Recreation Trends



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PARK LAND ASSESSMENT SUMMARY

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK: ATTITUDE AND INTEREST SURVEY

Household use of park land:

93% of households visited parks, this is a statistically higher rate than the national average of 72% and the Illinois average of 78%

- 70% of households used Sunset Woods Park
- 61% of households used Rosewood Park / Rosewood Beach
- 50% of households used Central Park and Park Avenue Beach
- 45% of households used Larry Fink Memorial Park

Park land indicated as needed most:

- Lakefront parks
- Small neighborhood parks

Park land ranked most important:

- Lakefront parks
- Small neighborhood parks

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK: 2013 STAKEHOLDER INTERVIEWS

“Lakefront parks are a big plus, but underutilized.”

“It would be nice to have food service or a restaurant at the lakefront.”

“Don’t close Sunset Valley, it’s our community golf course.”

“Appreciate the amount of park land and green space.”

“There are maintenance issues that need to be addressed.”

“Love the range of active and passive recreation opportunities.”



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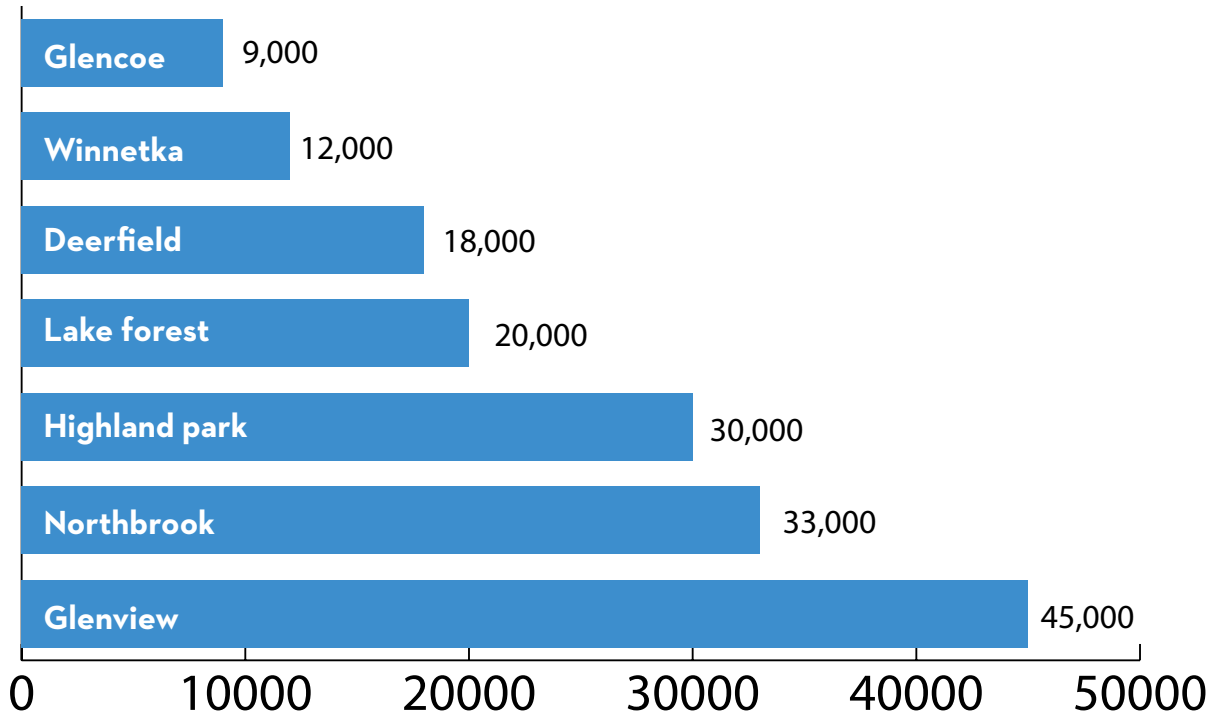
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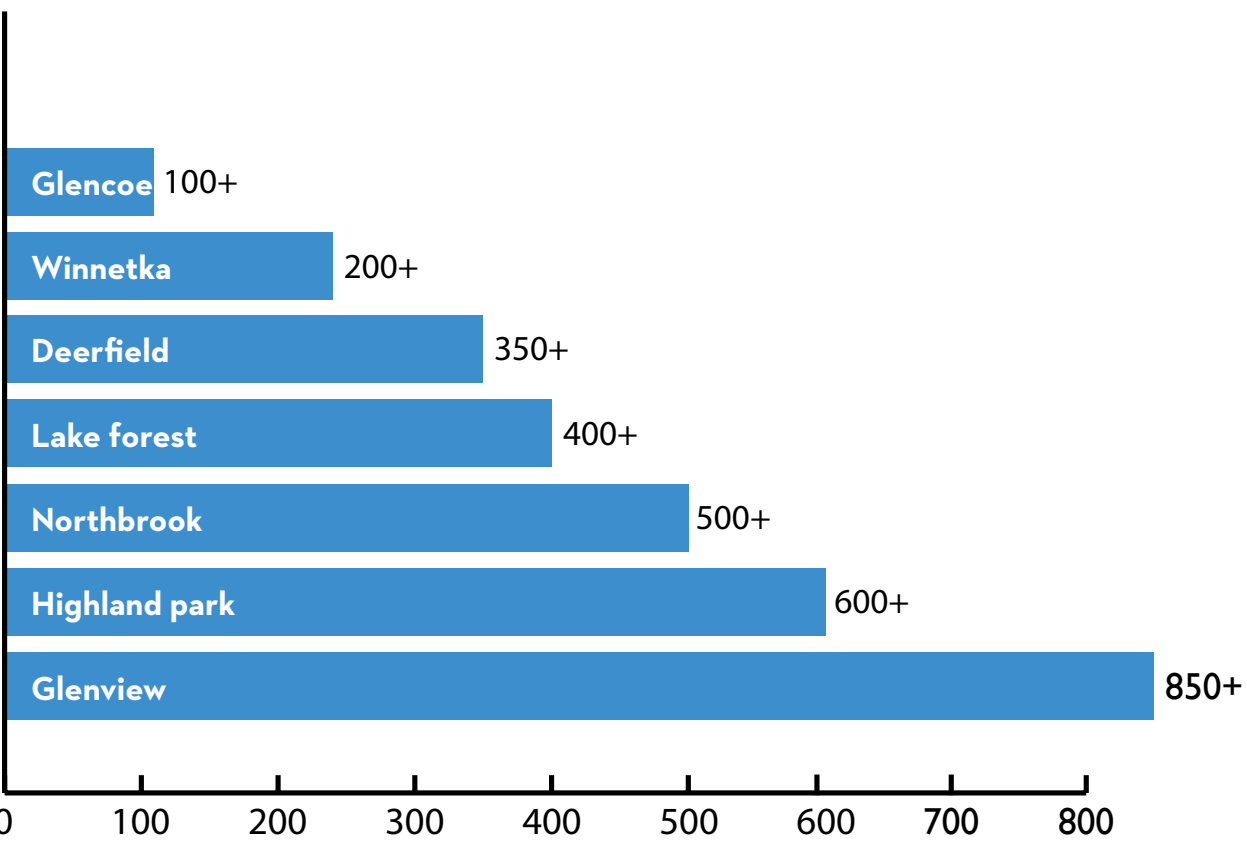
LOCAL BENCHMARKS

Glencoe	+/- 11 acres park land / 1,000 residents
Northbrook	+/- 15 acres park land / 1,000 residents
Winnetka	+/- 17 acres park land / 1,000 residents
Deerfield	+/- 19 acres park land / 1,000 residents
Glenview	+/- 19 acres park land / 1,000 residents
Lake Forest	+/- 20 acres park land / 1,000 residents

Highland Park has +/- 21 acres park land / 1,000 residents, the highest ratio of park land to population among its peer communities

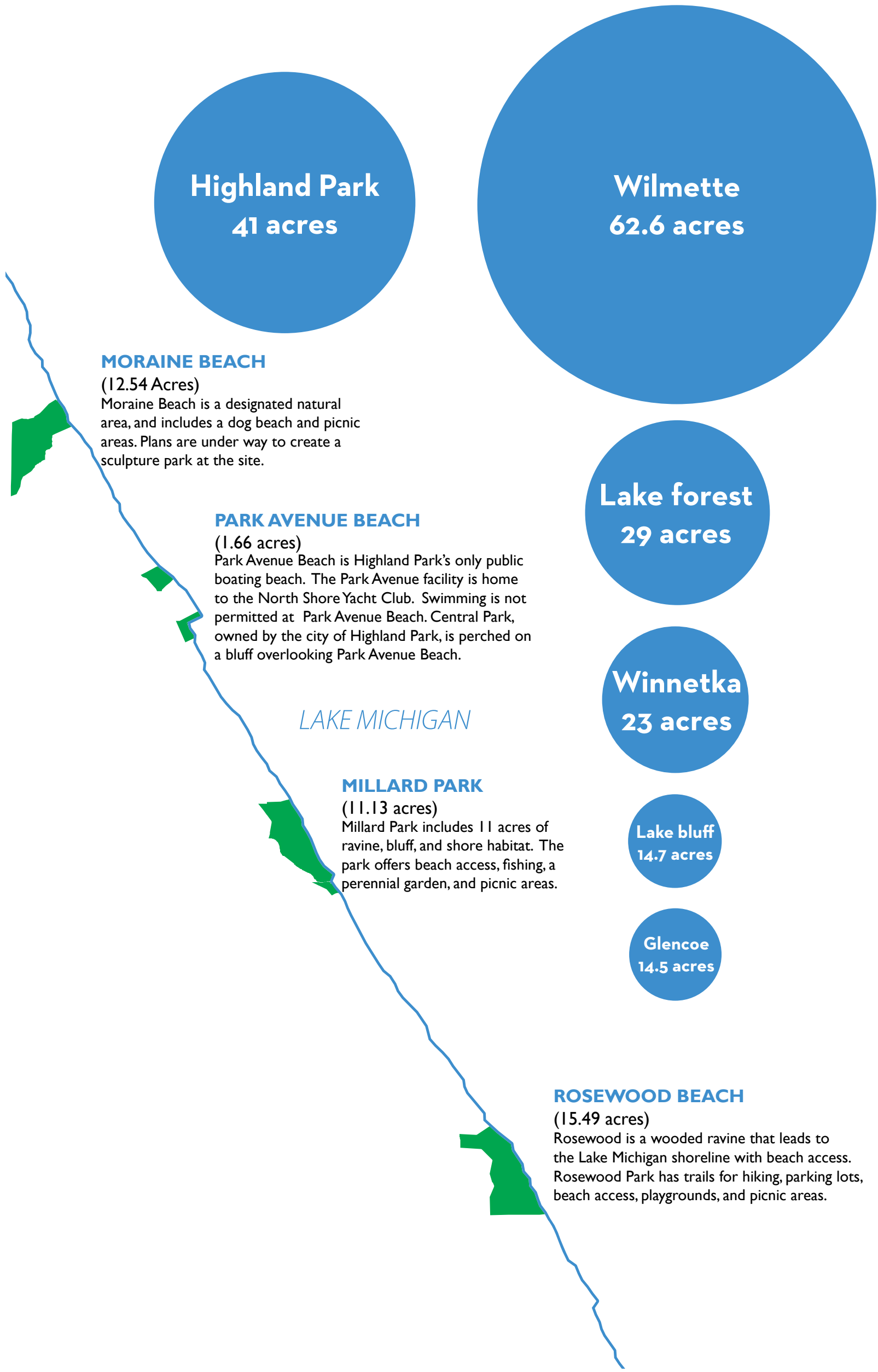


Peer community estimated 2012 population



Peer community park land acreage

PARK LAND AREA
COMPARED TO LOCAL
COMMUNITIES
GOOD



Peer community lakefront park land acreage

NATIONAL BENCHMARKS

Park District of Highland Park Facility Standards								
	2012 Inventory - Developed Facilities				2012 Facility Standards		2017 Facility Standards	
Park Type	PDHP Inventory	Current service level	National standard	Recommended service level	Meet standard/ need exists	Additional Facilities / Amenities Needed	Meet Standard/ Need Exists	Additional Facilities Needed
(Existing classification)	(Acres)	(Acres / 1,000 pop.)	(Acres / 1,000 pop.)	(Acres / 1,000 pop.)				
Neighborhood Park	123.35	4.07	4.00	4.00	Meets Standard	- Acres	Need Exists	0 Acres
Community Park	169.45	5.60	4.00	6.00	Need Exists	12 Acres	Need Exists	16 Acres
Natural Area	142.86	4.72	4.00	3.00	Meets Standard	- Acres	Meets Standard	- Acres
Special Use Area	186.63	6.17	4.00	4.00	Meets Standard	- Acres	Meets Standard	- Acres
Undeveloped	5.81	0.19	4.00	3.00	Need Exists	85 Acres	Need Exists	87 Acres
Total Park Acres	628.10	20.56	13.00	20.00	Meets Standard	- Acres	Meets Standard	- Acres
2012 Estimated Population		30,272						
2017 Estimated Population		30,910						
Notes: Special Use Areas include historical, cultural, aquatic, boat launch, recreation centers, tennis centers, dedication area, and golf course								

Neighborhood Park

Neighborhood park is the basic unit of the park system and serves as the recreational and social focus of the neighborhood. Focus is on informal activity and passive recreation. *Neighborhood parks should be located up to 1/2 mile apart* uninterrupted by non-residential roads and other physical barriers. *5 acres is considered the minimum size for a neighborhood park.* 5 - 10 acres is optimal.

Community Park

Serves broader purpose than neighborhood park. Focus is on meeting community-based recreation needs, as well as preserving unique landscapes and open spaces. Location is determined by the quality and suitability of the site. *A community park usually serves two or more neighborhoods within a 3-mile distance.* Sized as needed to accommodate desired uses, *usually sized between 30 and 50 acres.*

Natural Area

Lands set aside for preservation of significant natural resources, remnant landscapes, open space, and visual aesthetics or buffering. Located based on availability. Size is variable.

Special Use Park

Covers a broad range of parks and recreation facilities. Currently, special use areas include historical, cultural, aquatic, boat launch, recreation centers, tennis centers, dedication areas, and golf courses. Location and size are variable dependent on specific use.

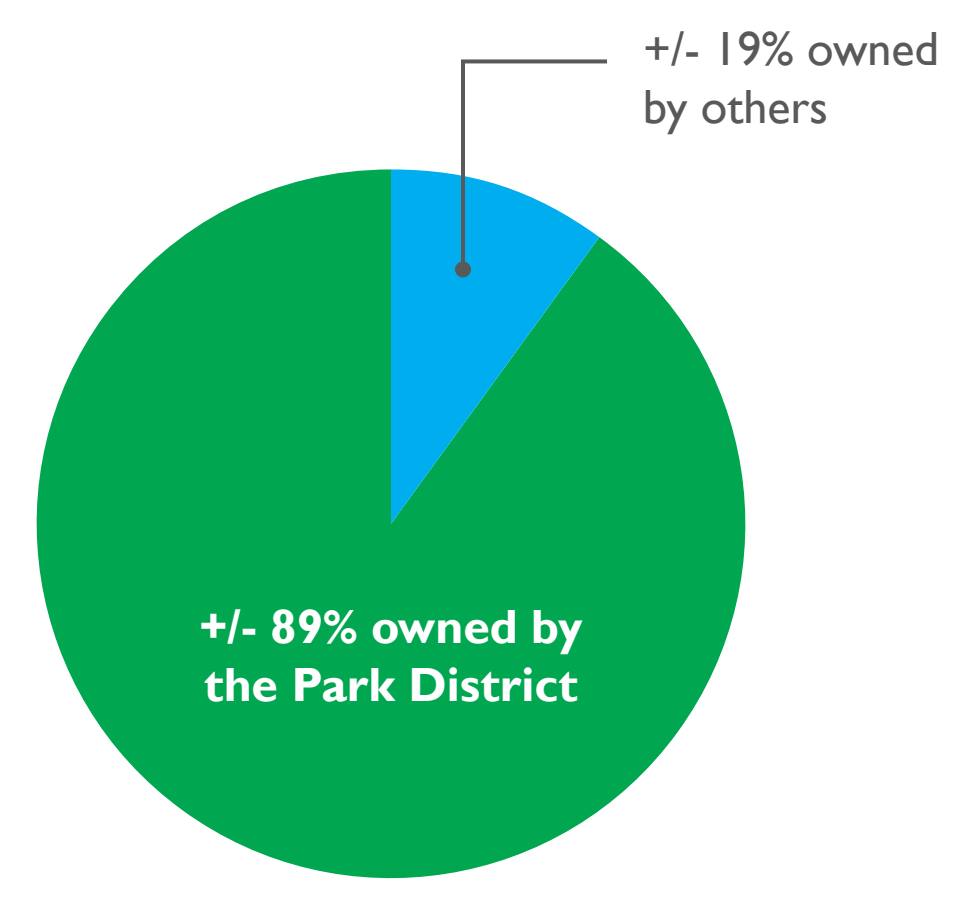
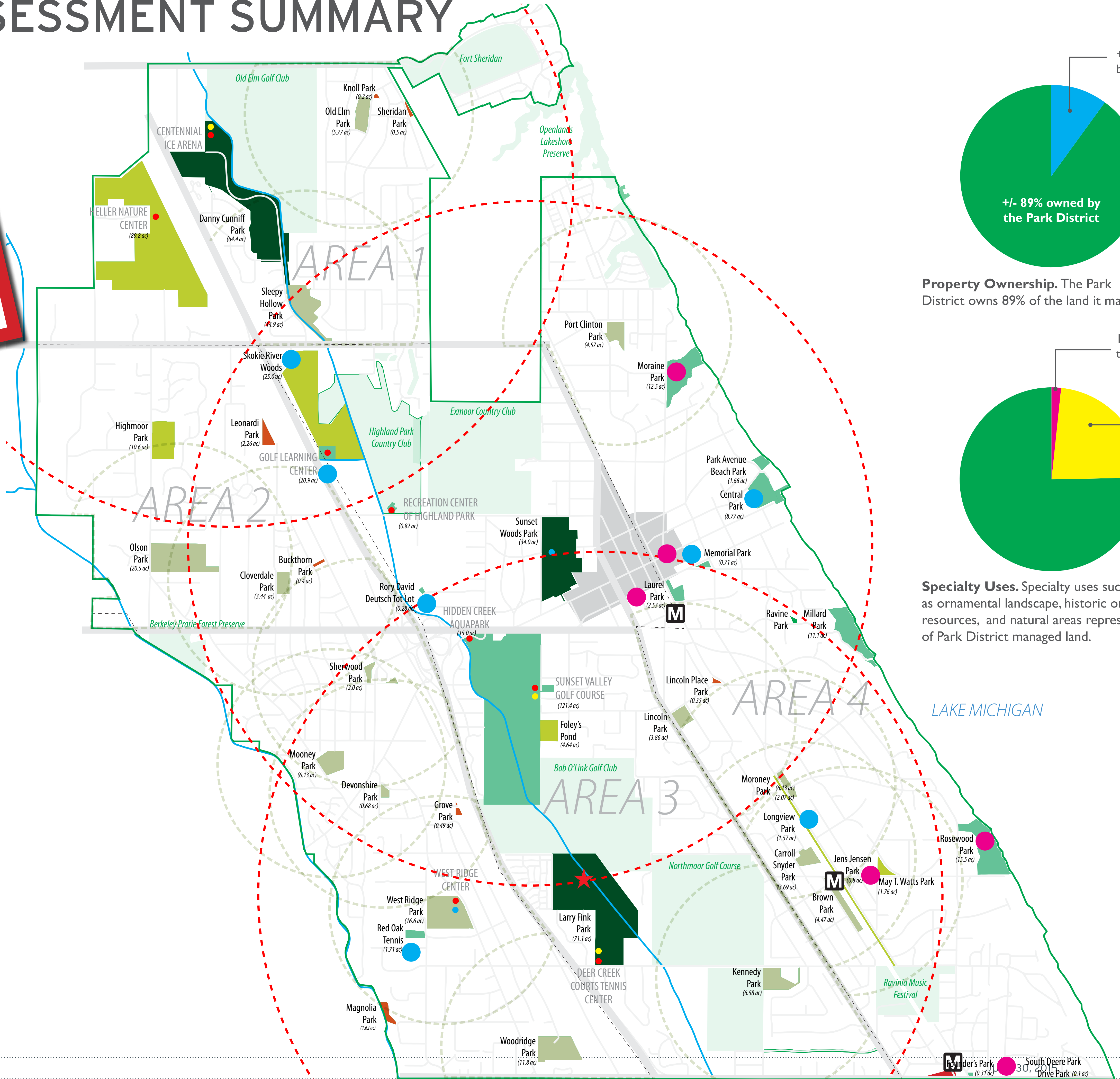
PARK LAND AREA
COMPARED TO
NATIONAL STANDARDS
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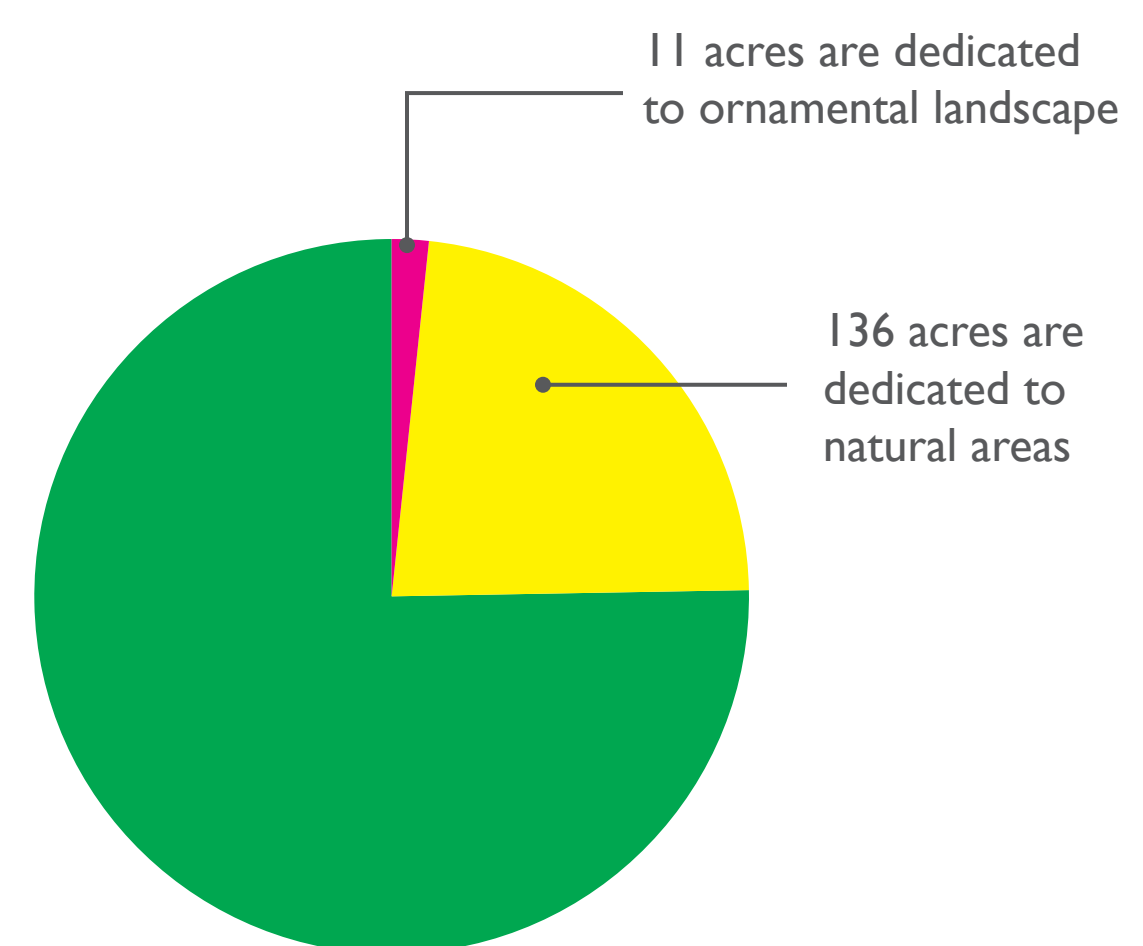
VARIETY OF PARK LAND AND SERVICE AREAS
GOOD
(not significantly deficient)

- NEIGHBORHOOD PARK SERVICE AREA RADIUS (1/2 MILE)
- COMMUNITY PARK SERVICE AREA RADIUS (3 MILE)

- NEIGHBORHOOD PARK
- COMMUNITY PARK
- PASSIVE NATURAL AREA
- SPECIAL USE AREA
- UNDEVELOPED PARK
- HISTORIC OR CULTURAL RESOURCE
- PARK LAND OR FACILITY OWNED BY OTHERS



Property Ownership. The Park District owns 89% of the land it manages.



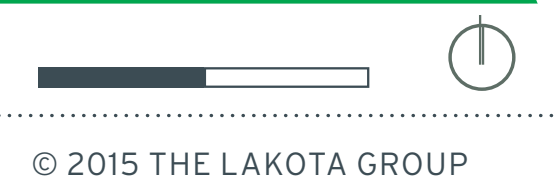
Specialty Uses. Specialty uses such as ornamental landscape, historic or cultural resources, and natural areas represent 23% of Park District managed land.



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FACILITY ASSESSMENT SUMMARY

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK: ATTITUDE AND INTEREST SURVEY

Household use of facilities:

- 66% of households used Recreation Center of Highland Park
- 50% of households used Hidden Creek AquaPark
- 46% of households used Heller Nature Center

Park land indicated as *needed most*:

- Walking and biking trails (80%)
- Nature center and trails (64%)
- Indoor fitness and exercise facilities (58%)
- Indoor running / walking track (58%)
- Outdoor swimming pools and water parks (55%)

Park land ranked *most important*:

- Walking and biking trails (80%)
- Indoor fitness and exercise facilities (25%)
- Nature center and trails (20%)

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK: 2013 STAKEHOLDER INTERVIEWS

“Athletic facilities should be up to the same high standards as neighboring communities.”

“Trails are a great asset”

“Senior services should be expanded.”

“There is a need for another sheet of ice at Centennial”

“Why has maintenance has been deferred at many facilities?”

“Are programs making money or losing money? I’m okay as long as I know it’s tracked.”

FACILITY ASSESSMENT SUMMARY

LOCAL BENCHMARKS

Park District	Major Facilities
Glencoe	Community Center; 2 outdoor ice rinks; Tennis Courts; Disc Golf; Soccer Fields; Sledding Hill; Glencoe Beach; Boating Beach
Winnetka	Tennis Center; (2) Golf Courses; Skokie Playfield; (3) Beaches; Dog Beach; Boat Launch; Green Bay Trail
Lake Forest	Golf Course; Ice Rink; Fitness Center; Recreation Center; Art Center; Wildlife Center; Preschool; Dance Academy; Beach; Bike/Walk/ Nature Trails
Deerfield	Community Center; Rec Center; Senior Center; Golf Course; Pools
Northbrook	Sports Center; Ice Rink; Senior Center; (2) Golf Courses; Velodrome; Aquatics Center; Batting Cages; Skate Park
Glenview	Ice Center; Tennis Center; Pools; Golf; Community Center; Fitness Center; The Grove; Wagner Farm

QUALITY AND VARIETY OF MAJOR REC FACILITIES COMPARED TO LOCAL COMMUNITIES
FAIR

RECREATION TRENDS



Artificial turf fields



Paddle tennis



LaCrosse



Cricket

AVAILABILITY OF TRENDING RECREATION FACILITIES AND AMENITIES
FAIR

NATIONAL BENCHMARKS

FACILITY INVENTORY COMPARED TO NATIONAL STANDARDS
GOOD
(not significantly deficient)

Park District of Highland Park Facility Standards

2012 Inventory - Developed Facilities										2012 Facility Standards			2017 Facility Standards			
			PDHP Inventory	Total Inventory	Current Service Level			Recommended Service Levels			Meet Standard/ Need Exists	Additional Facilities / Amenities Needed		Meet Standard/ Need Exists	Additional Facilities Needed	
OUTDOOR AMENITIES:																
Picnic Areas	Sites	Site per	76.00	76.00	1.00	Site per	398	1.00	Site per	2,500	Meets Standard	-	Sites(s)	Meets Standard	-	Sites
Shelters	Sites	Site per	15.00	15.00	1.00	Site per	2,018	1.00	Site per	2,500	Meets Standard	-	Sites(s)	Meets Standard	-	Sites
Playgrounds	Sites	Site per	35.00	35.00	1.00	Site per	865	1.00	Site per	2,500	Meets Standard	-	Sites(s)	Meets Standard	-	Sites
Dog Parks	Field	Field per	3.00	3.00	1.00	Park per	10,091	1.00	Park	30,000	Meets Standard	-	Field(s)	Meets Standard	-	Park
Softball Fields	Field	Field per	8.00	8.00	1.00	Field per	3,784	1.00	Field per	20,000	Meets Standard	-	Field(s)	Meets Standard	-	
Baseball field		Field per	16.00	16.00	1.00	Court per	1,892	1.00	Court per	4,000	Meets Standard	-	Field(s)	Meets Standard	-	Field
Multi-Purpose Fields	Field	Field per	26.00	26.00	1.00	Field per	1,164	1.00	Field per	30,000	Meets Standard	-	Field(s)	Meets Standard	-	Field
Basketball Courts	Court	Court per	16.00	16.00	1.00	Court per	1,892	1.00	Court per	4,000	Meets Standard	-	Court(s)	Meets Standard	-	Court
Tennis Courts	Court	Court per	47.00	47.00	1.00	Court per	644	1.00	Court per	3,500	Meets Standard	-	Court(s)	Meets Standard	-	Court
Aquatic Park	Site		1.00	1.00	1.00	Site per	30,272	1.00	Site per	50,000	Meets Standard	-	Site(s)	Meets Standard	-	Site
Ice Skating	Site	Site per	1.00	1.00	1.00	Site per	30,272	1.00	Site per	50,000	Meets Standard	-	Site(s)	Meets Standard	-	
2012 Estimated Population			30,272													
2017 Estimated Population			30,910													
Notes: Special Use Areas include historical, cultural, aquatic, boat launch, recreation centers, tennis centers, dedication area, and golf course																

FACILITY ASSESSMENT SUMMARY

DANNY CUNNIFF CENTER FACILITY NOTES

- There are wetland areas west of the ice arena.
- Soccer field next to the ice arena is in good condition.
- The sled hill is very popular in winter.
- Most of the park is within regulatory floodplain, but not much is in floodway.
- Northern lot floods during major storm events.
- The detention area west of the baseball fields has potential to be naturalized

HELLER NATURE CENTER FACILITY NOTES

- There are drainage issues on the main access road.
- The maintenance garage floods during rain events.

OLSON PARK FACILITY NOTES

- The soccer fields currently have drainage issues.
- No regulatory floodplain, also, not wetland.
- Should consider adding bathrooms to the site, utilities should be available on Ridge.

LARRY FINK PARK FACILITY NOTES

- Drainage on soccer fields is extremely poor; after severe storms fields remain flooded for several days.
- The majority of the park is within regulatory floodplain, and a large portion is in floodway.
- The tennis center's finished floor elevation was constructed low, and therefore the tennis center experiences seepage during heavy rain events.

- PDHP MAJOR FACILITY
- PDHP MAINTENANCE FACILITY
- PDHP OFFICE

	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4
Nature/Restoration Area	☁☁☁	☁☁☁	☁☁☁	☁☁☁
Ornamental Landscape				🌳🌳🌳🌳
Community Garden		🌱		
Dog Park			🐕🐕	🐕
Classrooms	👤	👤		
Restrooms	🚻🚻	🚻	🚻🚻	🚻🚻🚻🚻
Picnic Areas	🍽️🍽️	🍽️🍽️🍽️🍽️	🍽️🍽️🍽️🍽️	🍽️🍽️🍽️🍽️🍽️🍽️
Gazebo/Picnic Shelter	🏠🏠		🏠🏠🏠	🏠🏠🏠
Event Space			🏠	🏠
Historic/Cultural Attraction				🏠🏠🏠🏠
Bandstand				🎵🎵🎵🎵
Playground	🎡	🎡🎡🎡🎡	🎡🎡🎡🎡	🎡🎡🎡🎡
Multipurpose Field	🏈	🏈🏈🏈	🏈🏈🏈	🏈
Backstop/Ball Diamond	⚾⚾⚾	⚾⚾⚾⚾	⚾⚾⚾	⚾⚾
Batting Cage		🏟️		
Basketball Courts	🏀🏀	🏀🏀🏀🏀	🏀🏀🏀	🏀🏀
Tennis Courts	🎾🎾	🎾🎾	🎾🎾	
Bicycle/Pedestrian Trails	🚲🚲	🚲🚲	🚲🚲	🚲
Pedestrian Only Trails	🚶	🚶		🚶
Disc Golf	🏏		🏏	
Sand Volleyball		🏐		
Skate Park			🛹	
Ice Rink (outdoor)	🏒		🏒	
Sledding Hill	🛷			
Fishing	🎣		🎣🎣	🎣🎣
Boating				🚤🚤
Swimming				🏊🏊

Facilities by planning zone

MILLARD PARK FACILITY NOTES

- Stream restoration is occurring within the ravine next to the water intake building.
- Existing water intake building is scheduled to be demolished.
- There is concern about the erosion of existing paths.
- There has been significant beach erosion along the length of the park.
- Access to the top of the park is limited to pedestrians.

SUNSET VALLEY FACILITY NOTES

- Most of the golf course is located in floodplain or floodway.
- The golf course maintenance facility experiences foundation seepage.

DISTRIBUTION OF FACILITIES ACROSS EXISTING PLANNING AREAS

GOOD

VARIETY OF FACILITIES

GOOD



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During the ENGAGE phase of work, the project team worked with stakeholders, PDHP staff, and the Board of Park Commissioners through open houses, workshops, interviews, focus groups, and a web-based survey to establish a list of master plan project ideas.

- District-Wide Land Management Strategy Plan
 - PDHP Strategic Plan update
 - District-wide asphalt analysis
 - West Ridge Building Assessment
 - District-Wide Stormwater Management Strategy
 - District-Wide Signage Master Plan / Design Guidelines
 - District-Wide Trails Master Plan
 - Millard Park / Moraine Park Ravine Study
 - Lakefront Improvements Master Plan Update
 - District-Wide Sports Field Master Plan
 - RCHP Interior Space Planning
 - Rosewood Beach Improvements
- New Maintenance Service Center
 - Sunset Woods Park improvements
 - Sunset Valley Golf Course improvements
 - Sunset Valley Clubhouse improvements
 - Sports Field Improvements
 - Centennial Ice Arena lobby and gymnastics improvements
 - West Ridge Center improvements
 - Lakefront park enhancements
 - New admin and program space
 - Centennial Ice Arena second sheet of ice (partner with Falcons)
 - Highland Park Country Club conversion to passive recreation open space
 - Upgrade lakefront - new programs
- Increase size of rec center to address growing need
 - Improve or relocate Hidden Creek to address issues
 - Synthetic Fields for football/soccer
 - Important to maintain banquet
 - Upgrade lakefront - new programs
 - Overall community connectivity
 - More storage
 - Offices
 - Central facility that brings in diverse range of groups
 - Multi-use field complex with synthetic field(s)

The project team refined the project list including projects that address **community, staff, and board priorities**, support GreenPrint **master-planning goals**, and align with **PDHP’s mission, vision, and values**.

During the ANALYZE phase of work, the project team conducted research and established a range of benchmarks to help prioritize GreenPrint Initiatives. Each initiative was measured against each benchmark. Initiatives supporting the highest amount of benchmarks were ranked highest priority.

Community-Wide Attitude and Interest Survey	Stakeholder Priorities	National Recreation Trends	Peer Community Recreation Trends	PDHP Priorities
Derived from both 2009 and 2013 survey results	Derived from interviews, focus groups and open houses hosted as part of the GreenPrint planning process	Derived from staff, consultants, and literature	Derived from staff and consultant knowledge	Derived from workshops with staff
<div>INDOOR FACILITY PRIORITIES</div> <div><div><div>1. Indoor fitness and exercise facilities</div><div>2. Indoor cultural arts facilities</div><div>3. Indoor running / walking track</div><div>4. Indoor swimming pool / leisure and lap lanes</div><div>5. Indoor multi-use athletic fields</div><div>6. Indoor basketball / volleyball courts</div><div>7. Indoor ice arena</div><div>8. Indoor banquet / party facilities / event space</div><div>9. Indoor gymnastics area</div><div>10. Indoor tennis courts</div></div></div> <div>OUTDOOR FACILITY PRIORITIES</div> <div><div><div>1. Lakefront Parks</div><div>2. Walking and biking trails, accessibility</div><div>3. Passive natural areas</div><div>4. Outdoor swimming pool / water park</div><div>5. Neighborhood parks / playgrounds</div><div>6. Multi-use athletic fields</div><div>7. Park shelters / picnic areas</div><div>8. Tennis courts</div><div>9. Golf course</div><div>10. Baseball / softball fields</div></div></div> <div>PROGRAM PRIORITIES</div> <div><div><div>1. Youth fitness and wellness programs</div><div>2. Special event programs</div><div>3. Summer camps</div><div>4. Youth sports programs</div><div>5. Youth cultural arts programs</div><div>6. Nature / environment programs</div><div>7. Teen programming</div><div>8. Tween programming</div><div>9. Preschool programming</div><div>10. Before and after school programs</div></div></div>	<div><div><div>Lakefront parks</div><div>Natural areas / environmental assets</div><div>Sunset Valley Golf Course</div><div>Sunset Woods Park</div><div>Existing indoor and outdoor recreation facilities (address deferred maintenance)</div><div>Senior programming</div><div>Walking and biking trails, accessibility</div><div>Indoor fitness</div><div>Outdoor fitness</div><div>Neighborhood parks</div></div></div>	<div><div><div>Walking and biking trails</div><div>Multi-generational recreation facilities</div><div>Synthetic turf fields</div><div>Multi-use field complex</div><div>Nature-based play</div><div>Outdoor adventure programming</div><div>Environmental education</div><div>Alternative revenue sources and partnerships</div><div>Private sector providers</div><div>Fitness</div></div></div>	<div><div><div>Brand enhancement / offering strategies</div><div>Lakefront improvements</div><div>Multi-use field complex / synthetic turf</div><div>Golf course improvements / service</div><div>Clubhouse improvements / event space</div><div>Paddle tennis facilities</div><div>Nature centers</div><div>Water Park</div><div>Gymnastics</div><div>Walking and Biking Trails, Accessibility</div><div>Intergenerational community facility</div><div>Private sector providers</div><div>Fitness</div><div>Parks Foundation</div></div></div>	<div><div><div>New maintenance facility</div><div>Increased Storage</div><div>Sport field improvements</div><div>Brand refresh / enhancement</div><div>Technology improvements</div><div>New admin / office space</div><div>Revenue generating opportunities</div><div>Natural area / land management / stewardship</div><div>Rec center expansion / multi-generational Facility</div><div>Single golf course</div></div></div>



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GREENPRINT PRIORITY INITIATIVE BENCHMARKING



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	GreenPrint Planning Initiatives									GreenPrint Capital Development Initiatives							
	Land Management Strategy Plan	Stormwater Management Strategy	District-Wide Signage Master Plan / Design Guidelines	District-Wide Trails Master Plan	Millard Park / Moraine Park Ravine Study	Sports Field Master Plan	Lakefront Master Plan Update	West Ridge Building Space Planning	RCHP Interior Space Planning	Highland Park Country Club Master Plan	Sunset Woods Park Master Plan and Playground	New Admin and Program Space	Sunset Valley Golf Course Improvements	Lakefront Park Enhancements	Athletic Field Improvements	Centennial Ice Arena Indoor Ice (w/ Falcons)	Centennial Ice Arena Lobby and Gymnastics Improvements
Community-Wide Attitude and Interest Survey	100%	100%	100%	100%	33%	30%	43%	43%	10%	63%	57%	100%	33%	50%	37%	43%	37%
Peer Community Recreation Trends	100%	100%	100%	100%	36%	40%	40%	36%	27%	72%	82%	60%	60%	70%	60%	60%	30%
National Recreation Trends	100%	100%	100%	100%	30%	30%	30%	15%	23%	54%	38%	38%	31%	38%	31%	38%	31%
PDHP Staff Priorities	100%	100%	90%	20%	30%	30%	40%	50%	40%	100%	50%	60%	70%	40%	50%	50%	50%
Stakeholder Priorities	100%	100%	100%	70%	60%	30%	60%	20%	40%	70%	70%	30%	60%	70%	30%	20%	20%

Strongly Supports (75-100%)Supports (50-75%)Moderately Supports (25-50%)Somewhat Supports (0-25%)

PLANNING PRIORITY LIST IN ORDER OF RANKED PRIORITY

1. Land Management Strategy
2. Stormwater Management Strategy
3. District-Wide Signage Master Plan
4. District-Wide Trails Master Plan
5. Millard / Moraine Ravine Study
6. Sports Field Master Plan
7. Lakefront Master Plan Update
8. West Ridge Interior Space Planning
9. RCHP Interior Space Planning

CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT PRIORITY LIST IN ORDER OF RANKED PRIORITY

1. Highland Park Country Club Master Plan & Improvements
2. Sunset Woods Park Improvements
3. New Admin and Program Space
4. Sunset Valley Golf Course Improvements
5. Lakefront Park Enhancements
6. Athletic Field Improvements
7. Centennial Ice Arena Indoor Ice (partner w/ Falcons)
8. West Ridge Center Improvements
9. Centennial Lobby and Gymnastics
10. Sunset Valley Clubhouse Improvements

The refined list of project ideas was divided into three categories: GreenPrint Planning Initiatives, GreenPrint Capital Development Initiatives, and Capital Plan Initiatives.

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GreenPrint Planning Initiatives

GreenPrint Planning Initiatives are **Planning Projects** that, to the highest degree possible:

- Address community, staff, and board priorities
- Support GreenPrint master-planning goals
- Support PDHP’s mission, vision and values

GreenPrint Capital Planning Initiatives support the funding and implementation of priority capital development, and will help to guide future investment in PDHP’s parks and facilities.

LONG AND SHORT RANGE PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING TO GUIDE AND SUPPORT CORE MISSION, COMMUNITY NEEDS, AND PRIORITY INVESTMENT

GreenPrint Capital Development Initiatives

GreenPrint Capital Development Initiatives are **Construction Projects** that , to the highest degree possible:

- Address community, staff, and board priorities
- Support GreenPrint master-planning goals
- Support PDHP’s mission, vision and values

When implemented, GreenPrint Capital Development Initiative will express the high-level of quality of PDHP’s brand to the greatest extent possible.

NEW CONSTRUCTION, FACILITIES, AND BRAND ENHANCEMENT

Capital Plan Initiatives

The **Capital Plan** represents PDHP’s projected spending for

- Investment in administration and technology
- Routine capital repair and replacement
- and the purchase of Maintenance equipment

over a five-year and ten-year time horizon.

The Capital Plan (Year 1 - 5) is revised by PDHP staff and approved by the board every year to reflect accomplishments of the past year and to identify any emerging priorities for the near-term future. The Capital Plan (Year 6 - 10) is revised by PDHP staff every year to reflect accomplishments of the past year and to identify any emerging priorities for the long-term future.

ON-GOING UPKEEP, REPAIR, COMPLIANCE, AND ENHANCEMENTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES



GREENPRINT

GreenPrint Planning Initiatives

- District-Wide Land Management Strategy Plan
- PDHP Strategic Plan update
- West Ridge Building Assessment
- District-Wide Stormwater Management Strategy
- District-Wide Signage Master Plan / Design Guidelines
- District-Wide Trails Master Plan
- Millard Park / Moraine Park Ravine Study
- Lakefront Improvements Master Plan Update
- District-Wide Sports Field Master Plan
- RCHP Interior Space Planning

GreenPrint Capital Development Initiatives

- Sunset Woods Park improvements
- Sunset Valley Golf Course improvements
- Sports Field Improvements
- Centennial Ice Arena lobby and gymnastics improvements
- West Ridge Center improvements
- Lakefront park enhancements
- New admin and office space
- Centennial Ice Arena second sheet of ice
- Highland Park Country Club conversion to passive recreation open space

Capital Plan Initiatives

Includes: Administration, District-Wide Facility Maintenance, Capital Planning, Community Park Improvements, Neighborhood Park Improvements, Lakefront Park Improvements, Historical / Cultural Asset Improvements, Special Use Park Improvements, Passive Natural Area Improvements, Undeveloped Park Improvements, Facility Improvements, such as:

- Playground replacement
- Tennis court maintenance
- Basketball court maintenance
- Sport field maintenance
- Landscape maintenance
- Repair and replacement of site furnishings
- Technology improvements
- Maintenance equipment upgrades
- Routine maintenance of indoor facilities
- Improvements supporting ADA compliance and energy audits



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GreenPrint Capital Development Initiatives were then sorted into two “tracks.” Track 1 will utilize the current funding mechanisms available to the Park District. Track 2 projects will require partnerships, synergies with other agencies, or alternative funding sources.

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TRACK 1 INITIATIVES

- Sunset Woods Master Plan and improvements
- Recreation Center of Highland Park improvements
- Sunset Valley Golf Course Improvements
- Centennial Ice Arena entrance, locker room, washroom, office, and gymnastics facility improvements

**MAY UTILIZE AVAILABLE FUNDING
MECHANISMS FOR IMPLEMENTATION**

TRACK 2 INITIATIVES

- Centennial Ice expansion
- Highland Park Country Club new multi-purpose facility and site improvements
- Lakefront enhancements
- Athletic Field improvements

**REQUIRE STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS
FOR IMPLEMENTATION**



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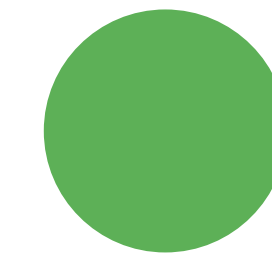
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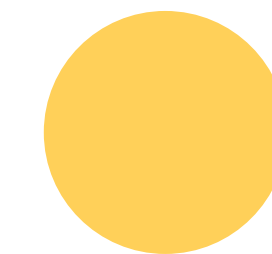
INSTRUCTIONS FOR EVALUATING TRACK 1 & 2 IMPROVEMENTS

A series of potential improvements for Park District facilities have been shown at Stations 5 & 6.

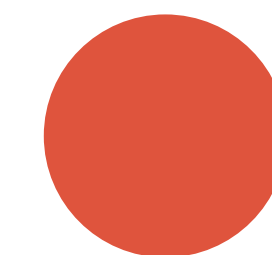
For the each of the Track 1 and Track 2 improvements identified, indicate your support by placing the appropriate sticker next to each concept.



I support this improvement



I don't have a preference



I do not support this improvement

TRACK 1: SUNSET WOODS PARK IMPROVEMENTS

Sunset Woods Park serves as Highland Park's central park, and is one of PDHP's most well-used facilities.

In 2011, 70% of households used Sunset Woods Park.



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TRACK 1: SUNSET WOODS PARK IMPROVEMENTS

Sunset Woods Park serves as Highland Park's central park, and is one of PDHP's most well-used facilities. Planned improvements include playground enhancements, improved connections to downtown, and ballfield improvements.

Sunset Woods Park

- Park Master Plan
- Ballfield irrigation
- Phase II playground area enhancements and equipment replacement



TRACK 1: RECREATION CENTER OF HIGHLAND PARK IMPROVEMENTS



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The Recreation Center of Highland Park is another of one of PDHP's most well-used facilities.

In 2011, 66% of households used the Recreation Center of Highland Park.

FUNCTIONAL ISSUES

- Two points of control exist, one at the main entrance and the other on the second level to control access to the fitness center and track, this creates need for an extra staff person, site lines and access control is a problem.
- Large / excessive area is dedicated to lobby space and circulation.
- Staff offices are in a remote area on the second level, offices should be closer to the building's main control area
- The fitness center area does not have enough space for personal training.
- Little room for growth.
- Not enough storage space; not enough gym space, especially during the winter.
- Lowering the basketball hoops must be done manually, should be automated
- Outside access to pool would be desirable
- Pool is limited to shallow lap lanes only, deep water and steam / sauna would be desirable
- Access to the pool / locker rooms is confusing
- Maintenance access is problematic, there is no elevator on the recreation center side and no ramp or loading dock for large / bulk items
- Concession area in the existing country club is of no value to PDHP.

BUILDING + SITE CONDITION

- Building is attractive, clean, and comfortable
- Interior condition is good
- Roof leaks, cracking in brick veneer (verify), windows leak in Studio 2, roof structure between metal bar joists and roof deck is rusting
- Sky light above the fitness center control desk causes space to heat up
- Lacks electrical capacity in lower level for rentals
- Lighting was replaced in pool
- It is difficult to change lamps in light fixtures in the high lobby space
- Air circulation in several areas is an issue, exhaust in men's locker room is not adequate
- 7.5 tons of cooling was added for the fitness center after construction was completed
- There have been problems with temperature control and zoning
- Controls for the pool's ventilation equipment were moved from the pool equipment room.



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RECREATION CENTER OF HIGHLAND PARK

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