



Town

of

HEBRON, INDIANA

**2018-2023
PARKS & RECREATION
FIVE-YEAR MASTER PLAN**

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Definition of Planning Area

The planning area for the Town of Hebron Parks and Recreation is the Town of Hebron Town limits, plus a four-mile fringe area. The service area for the Town of Hebron Parks and Recreation is the Town of Hebron Town limits, plus a four-mile fringe area. The service area for the Town of Hebron Parks and Recreation does not stop at the Town limits, but includes a fringe area of rural users approximately four miles from the Town center. The Town of Hebron Parks and Recreation is committed to sharing facilities and programs with Town residents and rural users. The financial impact on the Town of Hebron Parks and Recreation rural users has not been studied. That said, there currently are no offsets in place for rural users that are not part of the Town tax base. The Town of Hebron Parks and Recreation welcomes users to enjoy the healthy opportunities the Town of Hebron Parks and Recreation facilities and programs has available!

Natural Features and Landscape

The landscape in the Town of Hebron is mostly flat grassland, including, hilly areas in the northwest section of the Town, with mature Red and White Oaks, Red Maples and Tulip trees.

The geology of the Town of Hebron is moderate clay composition, deep and fertile A and B horizons.

The soils in the Town of Hebron vary from sandy clay loams in the hilly northwest, to silty clay loams in the bottoms near Cobb Creek. The soils in the Town of Hebron do not limit construction or development, but care should be taken when planning construction or development in areas in or near Cobb Creek.

The topography of the Town of Hebron is highest in the southwest quadrant gradually decreasing in elevation almost fifty (50) feet moving in a northern and eastern direction. Major storm water drainage ways, due to this topography, (Dog Lake and Henderson ditches) lie at the eastern and western edges of the Town of Hebron boundary. Cobb Creek travels north and south in the Town and is located east of the Assembly Hall located at 611 N. Main Street. Cobb Creek enters the Kankakee River south of the Town of Hebron. The Kankakee River is approximately one-half mile from the Town limits.

Importance of Natural Features and Landscape

The natural features and landscape, of the Town of Hebron, describe above, are valuable assets for the existing Hebron Parks and Recreation and for the future development of open spaces, public places, lands and structures within the Town of Hebron. The flat grasslands support seven (7) neighborhood parks with play structures for young children, sports complex for organized basketball, tennis and an ice skating rink. The Town of Hebron recreation programs benefit from flat

grassland, especially, the annual Easter Egg Hunt, by allowing all ages to easily hunt for eggs. The hilly area of Town is the optimal site of the Annual Soap Box Derby. The Town water features provide an important opportunity to partner with County and other regional agencies to create an interconnected trail system that could provide a range of recreational possibilities to enhance the community.

Man-Made, Historical, and Cultural Features

Indiana State Road 2 (Main Street) serves the major north-south transportation route in the Town of Hebron. Indiana State Road 2 intersects with Indiana State Road 8 and U.S Highway 231. The State and Federal Highways encourage neighborhood parks as some perceive these highways as barriers to access to some Town of Hebron Parks and Recreation facilities. The Town of Hebron Parks has considered possible solutions to these barriers. The number and strategic placement of existing neighborhood parks in each of the three sections of the Town are solutions to this barrier. Exhibit A, Town of Hebron Parks Location Map, in the Hebron Parks Five Year Master Plan identifies Mc Millen Park and Olenik Memorial Park serving the northeast section, of the Town of Hebron, Alyea Park, Wielgus Memorial Park, and Novreske Memorial Park serving the southeast section of the Town of Hebron and the northwest/southwest section is served by Community Center Park, Cohen Park and Stagecoach Museum and Panhandle Depot Museum. The Town of Hebron Parks 'Dream' Project in the Town of Hebron Parks Five Year Master Plan is a solution to this barrier. The 'Dream' project is the creation of a consolidated central park with recreational opportunities for all ages in one location. The Town of Hebron Park Board, Council members and citizens attending the 5 Year Park Master Plan public participation sessions, believe the 'Dream' project will address this barrier.

The Town of Hebron has two Industrial Parks, commonly known as, Costin (south) and Norbeh (east) Industrial Parks, whom are the location of one of the Town's major employers. The western area of Town that is zoned industrial supports three (3) businesses.

The Valparaiso Municipal Airport, twelve (12) miles northeast of the Town of Hebron is the hub for private planes/pilots for local businesses and charter services.

Passenger rail nor business rail services are available in the Town of Hebron.

The Porter County Interim Survey of Historic Sites and Structures lists (3) 'Outstanding' Historic Structures in the Town of Hebron. These include the McCune Home, Hebron Carnegie Library and John Sigler House. The McCune Home was a way station along the stage coach route between Detroit and St. Louis. Today, the McCune Home is known as the Stage Coach Inn Historical Museum. The Town of Hebron historic Panhandle Railroad Depot was moved and

located behind the Stage Coach Inn Historical Museum to preserve the Town's railroad history.

The heart of Hebron downtown business district is at the intersection of State Road 8 and U.S. Highway 231 (commonly known as Main Street). Although the downtown has gone through many changes over the years, it still retains a few late nineteenth and early twentieth century commercial structures.

The four (4) mile fringe area outside of the Town's geographic boundary is predominantly agricultural, with over 75% of the land used for cropland, pastureland, or forest land.

Importance of Man-Made, Historical and Cultural Features

The Man-Made, Historical and Cultural features are the important building blocks of the community that exists today.

The Stage Coach Inn Historical Museum and Panhandle Railroad Depot are extremely important to the history of the Town. The Town of Hebron Parks and Recreation is charged with preserving and communicating this history to park users. Thus, the preservation of these historic structures and their history shape some of the activities of the Hebron Parks and Recreation.

Listing of Historical and Cultural Features

The Hebron Historical Society has provided countless tours and stories to interested persons about the history of Hebron. Along with stories and artifacts from pioneering in the 1800's, they have discussed the use of the railroads in that era. Many visitors from across the United States have traveled to Hebron to visit our Stagecoach Museum and Panhandle Railroad Depot.

The July 4th celebration in the Town of Hebron is an annual event that gathers the entire community together. The 4th celebration includes a parade, and a firework display sponsored by the Town of Hebron with assistance from the Hebron Chamber of Commerce. Large crowds gather for the Annual Turtle Derby race and the local American Legion #190 organization performs a fitting American Flag Raising ceremony accompanied by the Hebron School Band. In addition to the 4th celebration, The Town of Hebron holds an annual one-day 'Block' Party in September usually in one of the Town of Hebron Parks. All vendors and organizations are invited to participate regardless of their location. The Town of Hebron sponsors all utility needed for the Party, plus entertainment for the night. The Block Party has high participation and attendance, with visitors from across Northwest Indiana.

These events connect the Town residents and visitors to history and cultural of the community.

Why are these features important to your park system?

All the above described man – made, historical and cultural features help bring visitors to the Town of Hebron and the Town of Hebron parks, as well as shoppers to the local businesses. Holding events showcase our community to residents and non-residents alike about opportunities in the Town of Hebron.

Social and Economic Factors

Total community Population: 3724

Community members' median age: 33.6

Percentage of community living at or below poverty level: 15.5%

Percentage of community under the age of 5: 8.2%

Percentage of community over the age of 65: 10.7%

Percentage of community members over the age of 5 with a disability: 11.8%

Breakdown of community by race:

- % White: 95.9%
- % Black or African American: 1.1%
- % Hispanic or Latino (of any Race): 6.1%
- % American Indian and Alaska Native: 0.02%
- % Asian: 0.4%
- % Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander: 0.0%
- % Some Other Race: 0.09%
- % Two or more Races: 1.6%

Median household income: \$47,880

(www.census.gov) (2010 Census) (2011-2015 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates)

Largest Employers in Community

Northern Indiana Telephone Company (NITC)

M.S.D. of Boone Township Schools

Precision Turbo & Engine

(www.hoosierdata.in.gov)

Discuss how these social and economic factors in the community affect the provision of parks and recreation

When comparing the 2000 Census and the 2011-2015 American Community Survey Five (5) Year Estimates, the percentage of the community living at or below poverty level has risen from 4.2% to 15.5% and the median household income increased from \$42,103 to \$47,880 resulting in an increase of 11.3% and \$5,777, respectively. The unemployment rate in 2013 was 18.6 %. The unemployment rate in 2016 was 12.7%. Thus, the unemployment rate decreased from 2013 to 2016.

. (2012-2016 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates) These are important factors when decisions are made regarding fees for Park Board sponsored events or activities. Most of the events and activities are free of charge affording all residents the opportunity to participate regardless of income. If a fee must be charged, the

Park Board's policy is to keep the cost as low as economically feasible to make the activity affordable to as many people as possible. Volunteer support is paramount in the Park Board's cost containment strategies.

Other options for funding existing and new facilities and equipment to modernize the Town of Hebron Parks include, but not limited to, creation of a Park Foundation, issuing bonds and or adjusting the fees and /or tax rate funding Hebron Parks and Recreation. The social and economic factors of the community suggest the Town of Hebron has the probable ability to repay bonds, support the creation of a Park Foundation and adjust tax rates and/or fees to support initiatives.

Park Department Information and Facility Inventory

Alyea Memorial Park

- S. Adams & W. Church Street
- Approx. 1.3 acres
- Playground, tennis court, basketball court, bleacher, bike rack, pavilion, gazebo
- Parking lot

Buchanan Park

- Beverly & Birch Drive
- Approx. .34 acre
- Playground, grill, bike rack

Cohen Park

- E. Bates & N. Ben Butler Street
- Approx. .92 acre
- Playground, bike rack, gazebo, basketball court, bleacher

McMillen Park

- Fir Ct. (west side)
- Approx. .8 acre
- Playground, basketball court, bleachers, bike rack, grill(s), pavilion

Wielgus Memorial Park

- End of South St. (cul-de-sac)
- Approx. .33 acre
- Playground, bike rack

Novreske Memorial Park

- 509 W. Church St.
- Approx. .3 acre
- Playground, bike rack

Community Center Park (Assembly Hall)

- 611 N. Main Street
- Approx. 7.45 acres
- Playground, walking track, pavilion
- Parking lot

Stagecoach Inn Museum

- 127 N. Main Street
- Approx. .09 acre
- Built in 1849 by Mr. McCune
- Museum includes historical artifacts of the area and past residents
- Originally used as a way station along the stagecoach route between Detroit and St. Louis. In 1863, the Inn continued as a resting place for railroad travelers and hunters/fisherman along the Kankakee River.

Panhandle Railroad Depot

- Behind Stagecoach Museum (behind 127 N. Main St.)
- Approx. .12 acre
- Museum includes mainly railroad historical artifacts along with artifacts of the area

In summary, seven (7) parks have playgrounds, one (1) park has a tennis court, three (3) parks have basketball courts, three (3) parks have bleachers, five (5) parks have bike racks, three (3) parks have pavilions, two (2) parks have gazebos, two (2) parks have grills and two (2) parks have parking lots. Restroom facilities are not available at any park.

(<http://portico.mygisonline.com/html5/?viewer=porterin.bv1-p1>)

List the approximate yearly total budget by year for your department for the past several years:

- 2017-\$9,000
- 2016-\$8,500
- 2015-\$8,500

The Town of Hebron General Fund is the source of funding for the Town of Hebron Parks and annual budget.

The annual park budget for the last three years has generally remained unchanged. The three categories for annual Hebron Parks and Recreation expenses are: Programming, Park Maintenance/Supplies and Park Equipment. The Town of Hebron Park Board has successfully increased the number of park programs and replaced park equipment in recent years by implementing innovative cost-efficient improvements. For example, the Park Board ordered park benches through a plastic bottle cap collection program held the last two years. A company located in Indiana manufactured park benches from recycled plastic bottle caps at

a reduced cost to the Town. Another example, is the number of park programs held each year increased by connecting with the community for sponsorship of the programs.

Short list of other sources of recreation lands or facilities in or around the Town of Hebron

❖ MSD of Boone Township Schools*

- Playground
- Baseball and Softball field
- Track

* Currently, there is no written Joint Use Agreement in place between the Town/Parks and the School system.

❖ Lake County Stoney Run County Park

- Trails
- Pavilions
- Playground
- Fishing

❖ Valparaiso, Indiana

- Valplayso
- YMCA
- Boys and Girls Club

❖ Demotte, Indiana

- Demotte Public Pool

(en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Boone_Grove,_Indiana) (www.ptsc.k12.in.us/)

(<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Demotte-Public-Pool/123558494368974>)

(<https://www.ci.valparaiso.in.us/649/Valplayso>) (http://www.lakecountyparks.com/parks/stoney_run.html)

Accessibility and Universal Design

Town of Hebron Parks and Recreation programs and facilities that are currently accessible:

- Entrance to all parks/no barriers present
- Entrance to all basketball courts/no barriers present
- Community Center Park (Assembly Hall) restrooms
- Accessible parking available at Alyea Park and Community Center Park (Assembly Hall)
- Walking trail at Community Center Park (Assembly Hall)
- Park programs at Community Center Park (Assembly Hall)

The Town of Hebron Parks and Recreation program and facilities that are currently NOT accessible:

- All playground structures: swings, see saws, slides, merry-go rounds, and climbing facilities.
- All park benches and picnic tables
- All basketball courts
- All bleachers
- All pavilions
- All gazebos
- All grills
- Tennis Court

As of this writing, none of the Town of Hebron Parks have any accessible routes from the entrances or outside bike/pedestrian access points to the parks, leading to any accessible features inside those Parks. As accessible park features/equipment is added to Hebron's parks, accessible routes will be constructed to facilitate the new amenities.

Methods the Town of Hebron Park Board uses to notify the public about ADA's nondiscriminatory requirements, and accessible facilities programs and services in the Town of Hebron park system:

Town of Hebron Parks and Recreation ADA policy: Persons with disabilities or non-English speaking person that need assistance may contact the Hebron Town Hall in person at 106 E. Sigler Street or call (219) 996-4641, ask for the Treasurer, at least 72 business day hours prior to the meeting or event for assistance to participate in the meeting or event.

- Policy posted on the official Town of Hebron Website
- Policy posted on the official Facebook pages: "Hebron, Indiana" and "Hebron Indiana Parks"
- Policy printed on meeting notices, event brochures/flyers
- Policy announced at public meetings

Public contact for the Town of Hebron Parks and Recreation meetings and events if they had a question, comment, or issue with accessibility of the Hebron park system, programs, or activities:

Name/Job Title: Alan Kirkpatrick, Clerk-Treasurer
Address: 106 E. Sigler Street, Hebron, Indiana
Phone number: (219) 996-4641 Email: treasurer@hebronindiana.org

See Exhibit B containing original signatures of the ABA/ADA/Rehabilitation Act of 1973 Section 504 Accessibility Compliance Form.

Public Meeting Information

Date and time of public hearing:

November 9, 2017 7 P.M. CDT (Local Time)

Where was the meeting held?

Community Center Park (Assembly Hall) 611 N. Main Street, Hebron, IN

Public hearing advertised using the following:

- Notification on the Hebron monthly utility bill - October
- Legal notice published ten (10) days prior to the public hearing
- Fliers in library, businesses, etc.
- Town of Hebron official website
- Town of Hebron and Park Board official Facebook page
- Advertisement in Newspaper

How many members of the actual public showed up? [This does not count park board members, local government officials, park employees, or consultants]

The sign in sheet record shows five (5) members of the public attended the public hearing.

A short list of the comments and issues discussed by the public at the meeting include:

- Lengthy discussion supporting the re-establishment of Community Center
- Walking/biking trail development
- Neighborhood parks and one large central park discussed.
- Special needs park equipment
- Dog park
- Sale of Cohen Park land was not supported by those present

Survey/group/individual Information:

What kind of survey or interview method did you choose, and why? What date and time was the survey or interviews held?

The Hebron Park Board selected a multiple-choice survey random public input method. 1,350 surveys were inserted into the September Hebron utility bill as part of a direct mail outreach effort. An additional 260 copies of the survey were

distributed within the community as follows: 30 at Movie night 1, 30 at Movie night 2, 50 at Boone Township Schools open registration, 50 door to door by volunteers, 100 at Town Hall. The survey was posted on Survey Monkey. Special invitations were made to high school students to participate in the survey. Youth outreach efforts included a special survey for elementary school students. Surveys were accepted from August 1, 2017 through September 22, 2017. The multiple-choice survey format was chosen for versatility, ease of use and gathering of clean data that is easy to analyze. This survey format provides a fixed list of answer options yielding structured survey responses and ease of or respondents to complete in a limited amount of time. Please refer to Exhibit C for a summary of the comments gathered from the multiple – choice survey random public input method.

Stakeholder interviews were conducted as the non-random public input method. The approximately 14 stakeholder interviews were held on August 28, 2017 at the Assembly Hall, 611 N. Main Street, Hebron, IN. The Park Board chose to use stakeholder’s interviews to ensure a diverse collection of opinions connecting with specific sectors of the community. Please refer to Exhibit D for a summary of the comments gathered from the non-random stakeholder interview public input method.

Surveys were advertised and distributed as follows:

- Inserted into approximately 1350 Hebron monthly utility bills
- Fliers and surveys were available in the library, businesses, etc.
- Distributed to local organizations
- Town of Hebron official website invite
- Town of Hebron and Park Board official Facebook page invite
- Direct invitations (Stakeholders)
- Survey Monkey

Stakeholder interviewees were selected by the Town of Hebron Park Board as follows:

The Park Board chose at least one person from all peer groups for the stakeholder interviews. This strategy allowed for a broad spectrum of viewpoints. Peer groups included elected officials, school staff, coaches of local sport teams, parents, business owners, Chamber of Commerce President and members of organizations such as the Lions Club.

How many members of the actual public were invited to the interviews or responded to your survey?

- Four hundred five (405) surveys were collected (210 online Survey Monkey surveys, 88 handwritten surveys, 107 youth handwritten surveys)
- Twenty (20) stakeholders were invited to participate in an interview

A short list of the comments and issues discussed in the surveys and stakeholder interviews include:

- Walking/Jogging trail
- Splash pad
- Updating equipment
- Additional playgrounds for children 12 years and under
- Additional picnic areas
- Dog park
- Additional basketball courts
- Baseball/softball diamonds maintenance
- Cleanliness of parks
- Vandalism of parks

Needs Analysis

**Town of Hebron total acres of local parks and recreation land is: 11.65 Acres
Town of Hebron total population by the most recent US Census is: 3724**

The top five most common needs or desires expressed by the public during the public participation methods are:

- Strong support of the need to re-establish the Community Center open and operate by Park Board as a gathering place for public and private events.
- Splash pad
- Walking/biking trails
- Improvement to Alyea Park
- Picnic pavilion at Novreske Park

The top five most common needs or desires as listed by the Town of Hebron Park Board are:

- Splash pad
- Community Center opened and operated by the Park Board
- Replace equipment at McMillen Park
- Revamp Alyea Park
- Picnic pavilion at Novreske Park.

If your community could list just one large “dream” amenity or facility (regardless of cost) to create in the next ten years, what would it be?

- Re-inventing Community Center Park (Assembly Hall) to include ADA compliant amphitheater, pavilions, splash pad, restrooms, trails.....creating a one central park in the heart of the Town of Hebron.
- Cost: \$250,000.00

Map showing location of the Town of Hebron Parks

See attached Town of Hebron Park Location Map labeled Exhibit A.

Priorities and Action Plan Schedule

Combining public input and Park Board top five lists of expressed parks and recreation needs, creates the following top priority list of action items, in rough priority order below (#1 being the highest priority, down to #10 being the lowest priority):

1. Re-establishing the Community Center at Community Center Park
2. Splash pad
3. Improvements to Alyea Park
4. Picnic pavilion at Novreske Park
5. Walking/biking trails
6. Replace equipment at McMillen Park
- 7.*
- 8.*
- 9.*
- 10.*

* The top priority list of action items does not include the recommended ten (10) items as the Park Board and public participation priority list of action items mirrored one another on four (4) items.

ACTION PLAN SCHEDULE

YEAR	SITE OF WORK	ACTION TAKEN	COST ESTIMATE	POTENTIAL SOURCE OF FUNDS
2018	Novreske Park	Design/Construct Pavilion	\$5,000.00	Local donations/Volunteer Labor/HRC/Service Donations
	Community Center/Assembly Hall	Create Blue Ribbon Dream Project Implementation Committee	0	N/A
	Community Center/Assembly Hall	Dream Project Implementation Committee meets to create schedule	0	N/A
	Alyea Park	Park Board determines Alyea Park Improvements	0	N/A
	McMillen Park	Park Board determines McMillen Park Improvements	0	N/A
	Connection to the Veterans Memorial Trail	Multi-Use Trail Design	\$30,000.00	Trail Grants (Rails to Trails, LARE, LWCF)/Local Funds/HRC/Donations/Grants
2019	McMillen Park	Installation of Toddler Park play structures	\$10,000.00	Local Funds/HRC/Donations
	Community Center/Assembly Hall	Dream Project Design	\$50,000.00	OCRA Planning Grant/Grants/HRC/Local Funds/Donations
	Alyea Park	Plan Improvements including removal of tennis court, updating play structures and facilities	\$5,000.00	Service Donations/Local Funds/HRC/Donations/Grants
	Connection to the Veterans Memorial Trail	Multi-Use Trail Financing/Apply for Grants	\$15,000.00	Trail Grants (Rails to Trails, LARE, LWCF)/HRC/Local Funds/Donations/Grants
2020	Connection to the Veterans Memorial Trail	Prepare specifications, bid, award contract and construct Multi-Use Trail Project	\$150,000.00	Trail Grants (Rails to Trails, LARE, LWCF)/HRC/Local Funds/Service Donations/Donations
	Community Center/Assembly Hall	Dream Project Financing/Apply for Grants	\$25,000.00	Grants/HRC/Local Funds/Donations
	Alyea Park	Improvement Construction	\$50,000.00	Local Funds/HRC/Donations/Grants
2021	Community Center/Assembly Hall	Dream Project Solicitation of Bids and Awarding of Contract	\$10,000.00	Local Funds/HRC/Donations/Service Donations
2022	Community Center/Assembly Hall	Construct Dream Project	\$250,000.00	Local Funds/Grants/HRC

Final Public Presentation of the Plan

- December 14, 2017 at 7p.m. Local Time (CDT)
- Hebron Assembly Hall, 611 N. Main Street, Hebron, Indiana
- Number of members of the public in attendance: 11

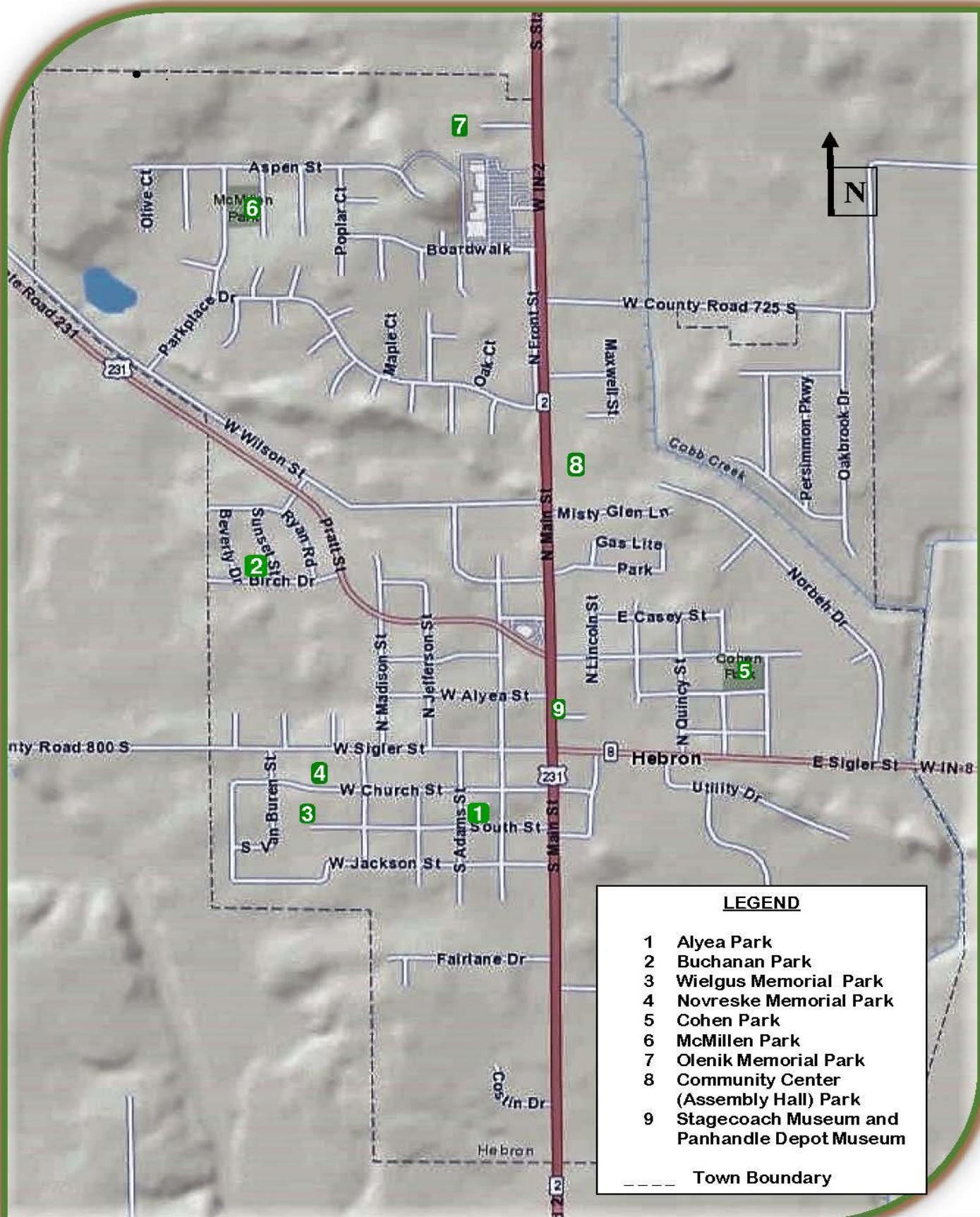
Discuss/List the primary comments made by the public during the meeting here: (1-2 paragraphs or a bulleted list)

- Bring the town together by having an annual Christmas Parade on the Friday or Saturday after Thanksgiving with a tree lighting
- Reach out businesses to invite them to decorate a tree during the holidays
- Have students name the proposed trail
- Reach out to service clubs to assist with implementing smaller park projects such as the Lions Club
- Discussion on how to contact the Park Department/Board-Facebook, Treasurer, or at hebronparks@gmail.com

The overall response to the plan was overwhelmingly positive. Citizen comments provided corrections to historical information contained in the Plan. The proposed Action Plan Schedule, which included the Park Board's 'Dream' project, energized public participation participants about the future of the Town of Hebron recreational opportunities that will be available to the families and members of the Hebron community.

END of PLAN

Exhibit A



LEGEND

- 1 Alyea Park
- 2 Buchanan Park
- 3 Wielgus Memorial Park
- 4 Novreske Memorial Park
- 5 Cohen Park
- 6 McMillen Park
- 7 Olenik Memorial Park
- 8 Community Center (Assembly Hall) Park
- 9 Stagecoach Museum and Panhandle Depot Museum

--- Town Boundary

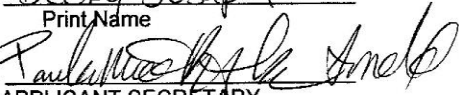
EXHIBIT B

**ASSURANCE OF ACCESSIBILITY COMPLIANCE WITH:
ARCHITECTURAL BARRIERS ACT of 1968 (As Amended);
SECTION 504 OF THE REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973 (As Amended);
AND TITLE II OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990
(As Amended)**

The Town of Hebron Park Board has read the guidelines for compliance with the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 (As Amended); Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (As Amended); and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (As Amended) and will comply with the applicable requirements of these Acts.

SIGNATURE 
Becky Joseph, Park Board President

Becky Joseph
Print Name

SIGNATURE 
APPLICANT SECRETARY

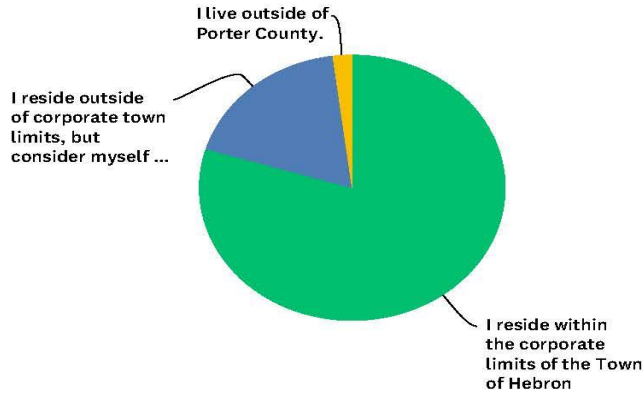
Pamela Marie Brotko Arnold
(Secretary's printed name)

DATE 12/14/17

EXHIBIT C

Q1 Please indicate where you reside.

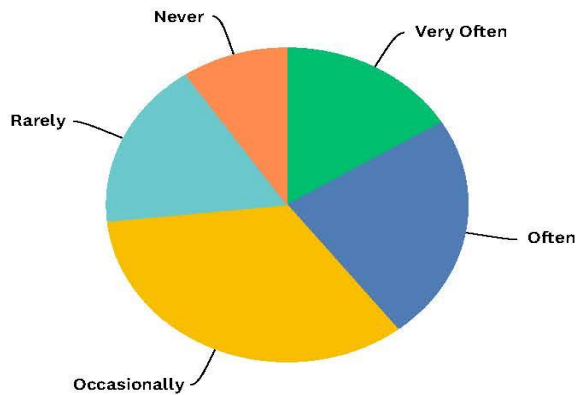
Answered: 296 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I reside within the corporate limits of the Town of Hebron	79.73%	236
I reside outside of corporate town limits, but consider myself a resident of Hebron	18.24%	54
I live outside of Porter County.	2.03%	6
TOTAL		296

Q2 How often do you or your household members use the Town of Hebron's parks?

Answered: 296 Skipped: 2

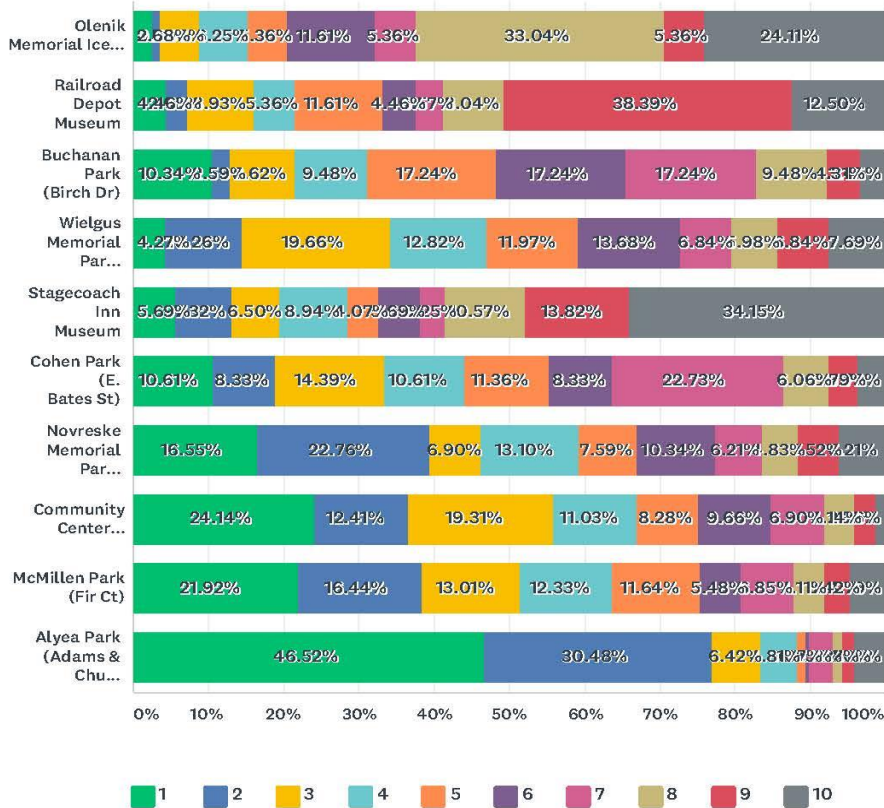


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Very Often	16.22%	48
Often	23.31%	69

Occasionally	33.78%	100
Rarely	17.23%	51
Never	9.46%	28
TOTAL		296

Q3 Rank the Town of Hebron parks you use the most from 1-10 with #1 being the most used and #10 being the least used by your household.

Answered: 249 Skipped: 49



	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	TOTAL	SCO
Olenik Memorial Ice Rink	2.68%	0.89%	5.36%	6.25%	5.36%	11.61%	5.36%	33.04%	5.36%	24.11%	112	3
Railroad Depot Museum	4.46%	2.68%	8.93%	5.36%	11.61%	4.46%	3.57%	8.04%	38.39%	12.50%	112	3
Buchanan Park (Birch Dr)	10.34%	2.59%	8.62%	9.48%	17.24%	17.24%	17.24%	9.48%	4.31%	3.45%	116	5
Wielgus Memorial Park (end of South St)	4.27%	10.26%	19.66%	12.82%	11.97%	13.68%	6.84%	5.98%	6.84%	7.69%	117	5
Stagecoach Inn Museum	5.69%	3.2%	6.50%	8.94%	4.07%	6.9%	2.5%	40.57%	13.82%	34.15%		
Cohen Park (E. Bates St)	10.61%	3.33%	14.39%	10.61%	11.36%	3.33%	22.73%	6.06%	7.9%			
Novreske Memorial Park	16.55%	22.76%	6.90%	13.10%	7.59%	10.34%	6.21%	8.33%	4.52%	2.1%		
Community Center	24.14%	12.41%	19.31%	11.03%	8.28%	9.66%	6.90%	14.2%	2.6%			
McMillen Park (Fir Ct)	21.92%	16.44%	13.01%	12.33%	11.64%	5.43%	6.35%	1.1%	1.2%	0.5%		
Alyea Park (Adams & Chu...)	46.52%	30.48%	6.42%	8.1%	7.2%	7.2%	4.2%					

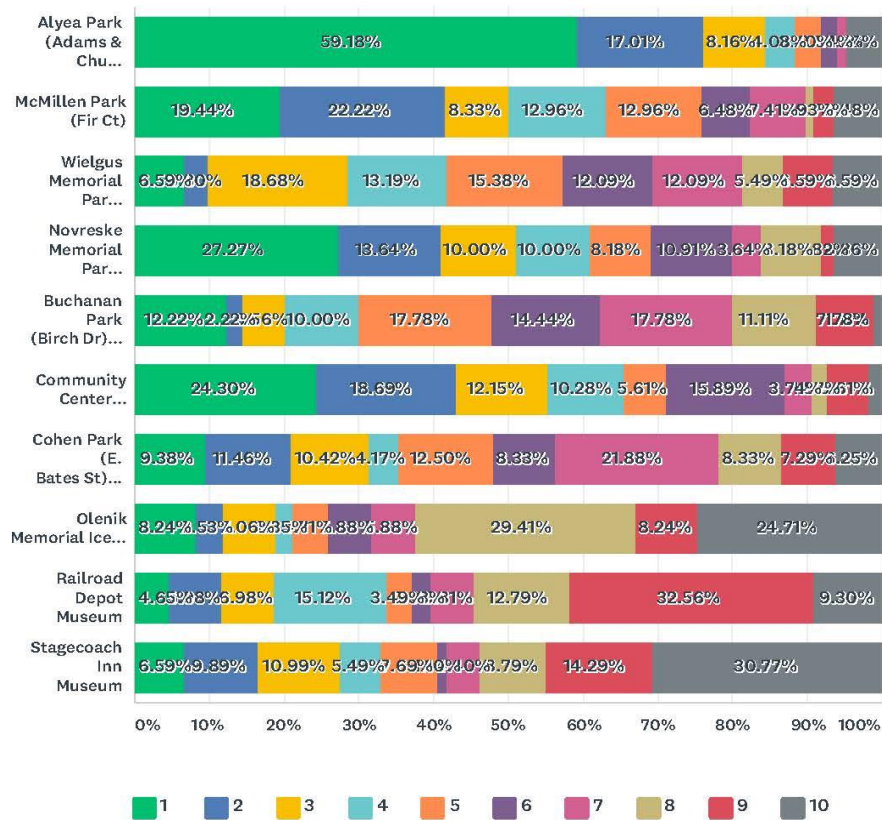
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Stagecoach Inn Museum	5.69%	7.32%	6.50%	8.94%	4.07%	5.69%	3.25%	10.57%	13.82%	34.15%	123	3
Cohen Park (E. Bates St)	10.61%	8.33%	14.39%	10.61%	11.36%	8.33%	22.73%	6.06%	3.79%	3.79%	132	6
Novreske Memorial Park (Church St)	16.55%	22.76%	6.90%	13.10%	7.59%	10.34%	6.21%	4.83%	5.52%	6.21%	145	6
Community Center Playground/Trail	24.14%	12.41%	19.31%	11.03%	8.28%	9.66%	6.90%	4.14%	2.76%	1.38%	145	7
McMillen Park (Fir Ct)	21.92%	16.44%	13.01%	12.33%	11.64%	5.48%	6.85%	4.11%	3.42%	4.79%	146	7
Alyea Park (Adams & Church St)	46.52%	30.48%	6.42%	4.81%	1.07%	0.53%	3.21%	1.07%	1.60%	4.28%	187	8

Q4 Rank your favorite park in the Town of Hebron from 1-10 with #1 being most liked and #10 being least liked in your household.

Answered: 225 Skipped: 73



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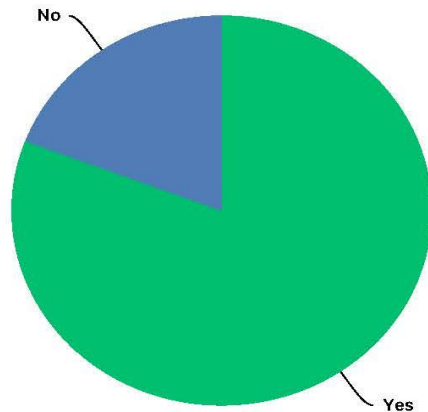
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Alyea Park (Adams & Church St)	59.18% 87	17.01% 25	8.16% 12	4.08% 6	3.40% 5	2.04% 3	1.36% 2	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	4.76% 7	147	8
McMillen Park (Fir Ct)	19.44% 21	22.22% 24	8.33% 9	12.96% 14	12.96% 14	6.48% 7	7.41% 8	0.93% 1	2.78% 3	6.48% 7	108	7
Wielgus Memorial Park (end of South St)	6.59% 6	3.30% 3	18.68% 17	13.19% 12	15.38% 14	12.09% 11	12.09% 11	5.49% 5	6.59% 6	6.59% 6	91	5
Novreske Memorial Park (Church St)	27.27% 30	13.64% 15	10.00% 11	10.00% 11	8.18% 9	10.91% 12	3.64% 4	8.18% 9	1.82% 2	6.36% 7	110	6
Buchanan Park (Birch Dr)	12.22% 11	2.22% 2	5.56% 5	10.00% 9	17.78% 16	14.44% 13	17.78% 16	11.11% 10	7.78% 7	1.11% 1	90	5
Community Center Playground/Trail	24.30% 26	18.69% 20	12.15% 13	10.28% 11	5.61% 6	15.89% 17	3.74% 4	1.87% 2	5.61% 6	1.87% 2	107	7
Cohen Park (E. Bates St)	9.38% 9	11.46% 11	10.42% 10	4.17% 4	12.50% 12	8.33% 8	21.88% 21	8.33% 8	7.29% 7	6.25% 6	96	5
Olenik Memorial Ice Rink	8.24% 7	3.53% 3	7.06% 6	2.35% 2	4.71% 4	5.88% 5	5.88% 5	29.41% 25	8.24% 7	24.71% 21	85	3
Railroad Depot Museum	4.65% 4	6.98% 6	6.98% 6	15.12% 13	3.49% 3	2.33% 2	5.81% 5	12.79% 11	32.56% 28	9.30% 8	86	4
Stagecoach Inn Museum	6.59% 6	9.89% 9	10.99% 10	5.49% 5	7.69% 7	1.10% 1	4.40% 4	8.79% 8	14.29% 13	30.77% 28	91	4

Q5 Were you aware of the Stagecoach and Railroad Museums in the Town of Hebron?

Answered: 297 Skipped: 1

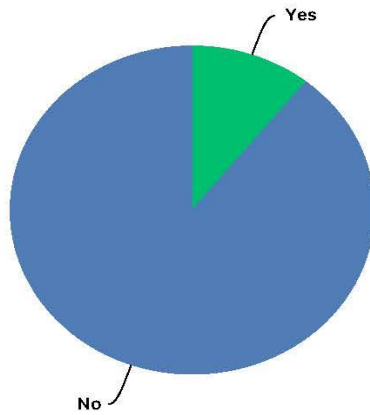


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	80.81%	240
No	19.19%	57
TOTAL		297

Q6 Has your household used or visited the ice rink in the Town of

Hebron?

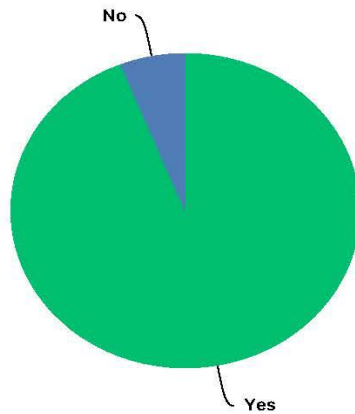
Answered: 298 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	10.74%	32
No	89.26%	266
TOTAL		298

Q7 Do you feel safe when you visit the Town of Hebron's parks?

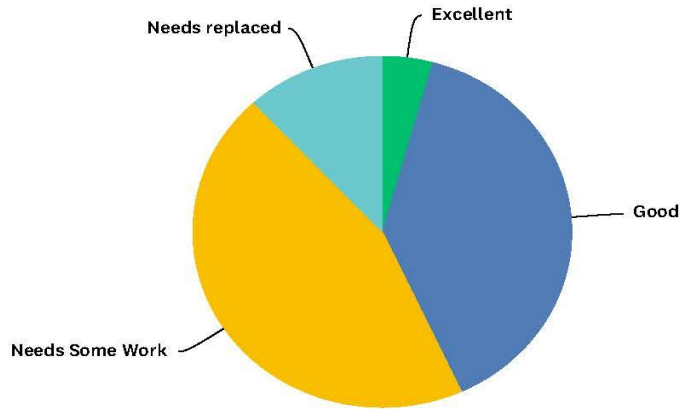
Answered: 282 Skipped: 16



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	93.97%	265
No	6.03%	17
TOTAL		282

Q8 Rate the overall condition of the Town of Hebron park(s) equipment.

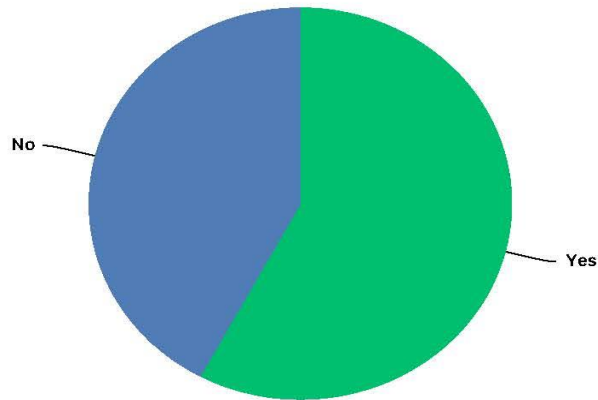
Answered: 278 Skipped: 20



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Excellent	4.32%	12
Good	38.85%	108
Needs Some Work	44.96%	125
Needs replaced	11.87%	33
TOTAL		278

Q9 Do you feel that there is adequate parking at the Town of Hebron's parks?

Answered: 280 Skipped: 18

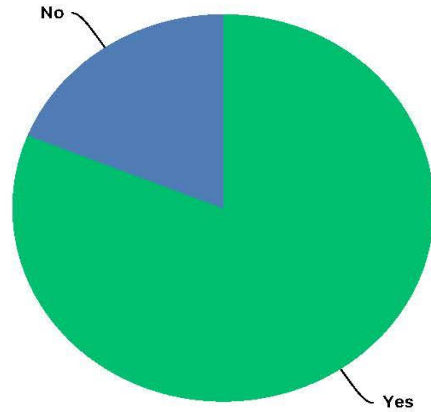


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	57.86%	162
No	42.14%	118

TOTAL	280
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Q10 Do you feel the Town of Hebron's park(s) are kept clean?

Answered: 281 Skipped: 17



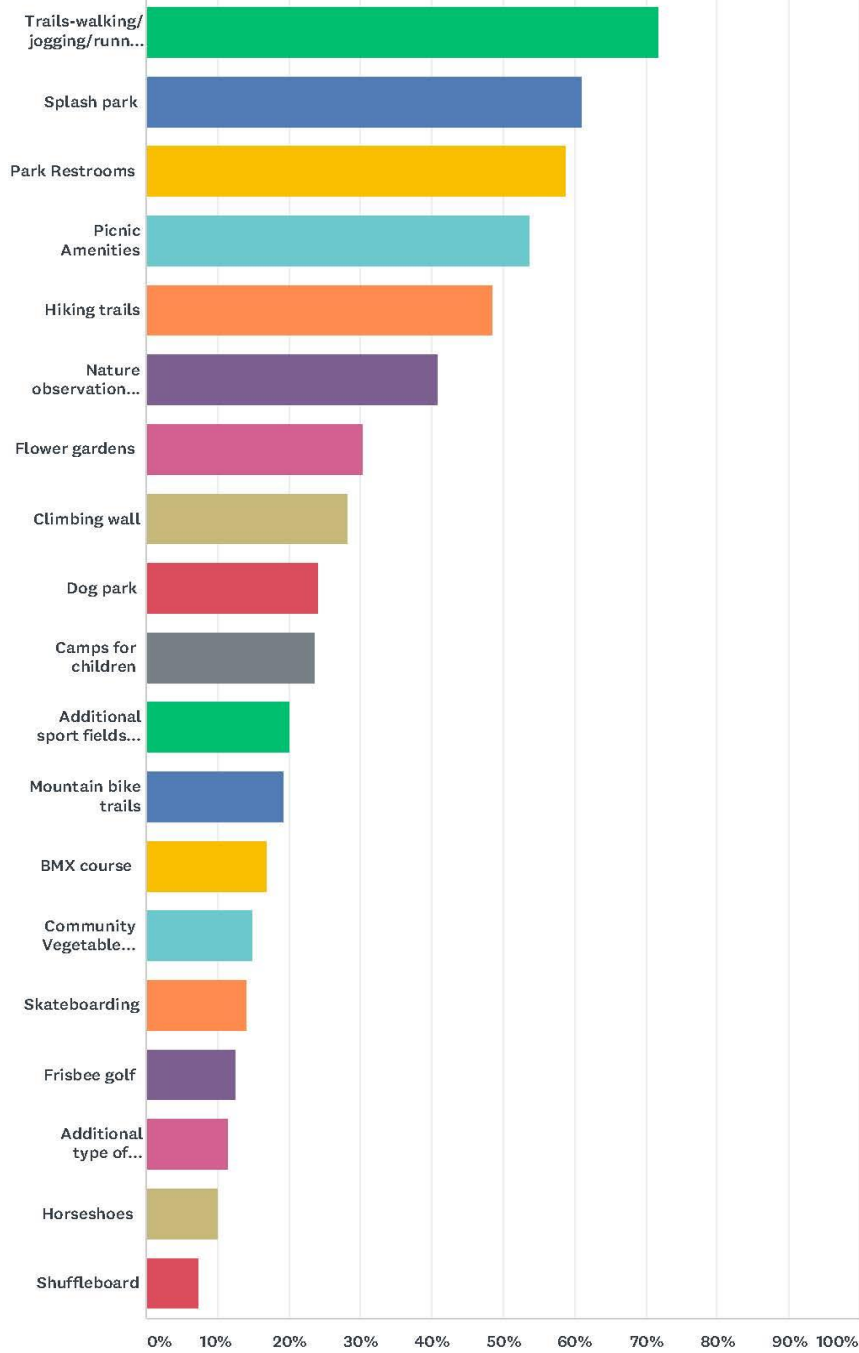
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	81.14%	228
No	18.86%	53
TOTAL		281

Q11 Please check the park amenities or recreational activities that your family members participate in, at any location, including out of town locations. Select all that apply.

Answered: 270 Skipped: 28

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Trails-walking/jogging/running	71.85%	194
Splash park	61.11%	165

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Park Restrooms	58.89%	159
Picnic Amenities	53.70%	145
Hiking trails	48.52%	131
Nature observation areas	40.74%	110
Flower gardens	30.37%	82
Climbing wall	28.15%	76
Dog park	24.07%	65
Camps for children	23.70%	64
Additional sport fields (Specify Sport in Comment Field Below)	20.00%	54
Mountain bike trails	19.26%	52
BMX course	17.04%	46
Community Vegetable Garden	14.81%	40
Skateboarding	14.07%	38
Frisbee golf	12.59%	34
Additional type of playground equipment (Specify in Comment Field Below)	11.48%	31
Horseshoes	10.00%	27
Shuffleboard	7.41%	20
Total Respondents: 270		

#	COMMENT/OTHER	DATE
1	tennis and basketball courts	9/18/2017 8:55 PM
2	ADA compliant. ADA accessible.	9/18/2017 10:28 AM
3	basketball and volleyball	9/17/2017 2:01 PM
4	Make a skate park for scooters bikes and skateboards.	9/15/2017 11:31 AM
5	bike trails	9/7/2017 8:30 PM
6	kick ball, football,	9/4/2017 12:18 PM
7	Paved bike path	9/3/2017 8:30 AM
8	Please add or fix-up the tennis courts! I would like to see a bocce or petanque court somewhere-- thanks!	9/1/2017 1:55 PM
9	A skatepark, anything is better than nothing	8/31/2017 9:21 PM
10	Playgrounds and fishing holes	8/31/2017 8:15 PM
11	Swimming pool	8/31/2017 7:46 PM
12	trampoline	8/31/2017 7:24 PM
13	softball	8/31/2017 4:44 PM
14	Slides,Just playground equipment in general.	8/31/2017 3:38 PM
15	Toddler equipment on McMillen park doesn't exist	8/31/2017 12:55 PM
16	softball fields	8/31/2017 11:57 AM
17	Basketball	8/31/2017 11:34 AM
18	Baseball fields	8/31/2017 9:42 AM
19	Swings, Slides	8/31/2017 8:57 AM
20	swimming, floor hockey	8/31/2017 8:10 AM

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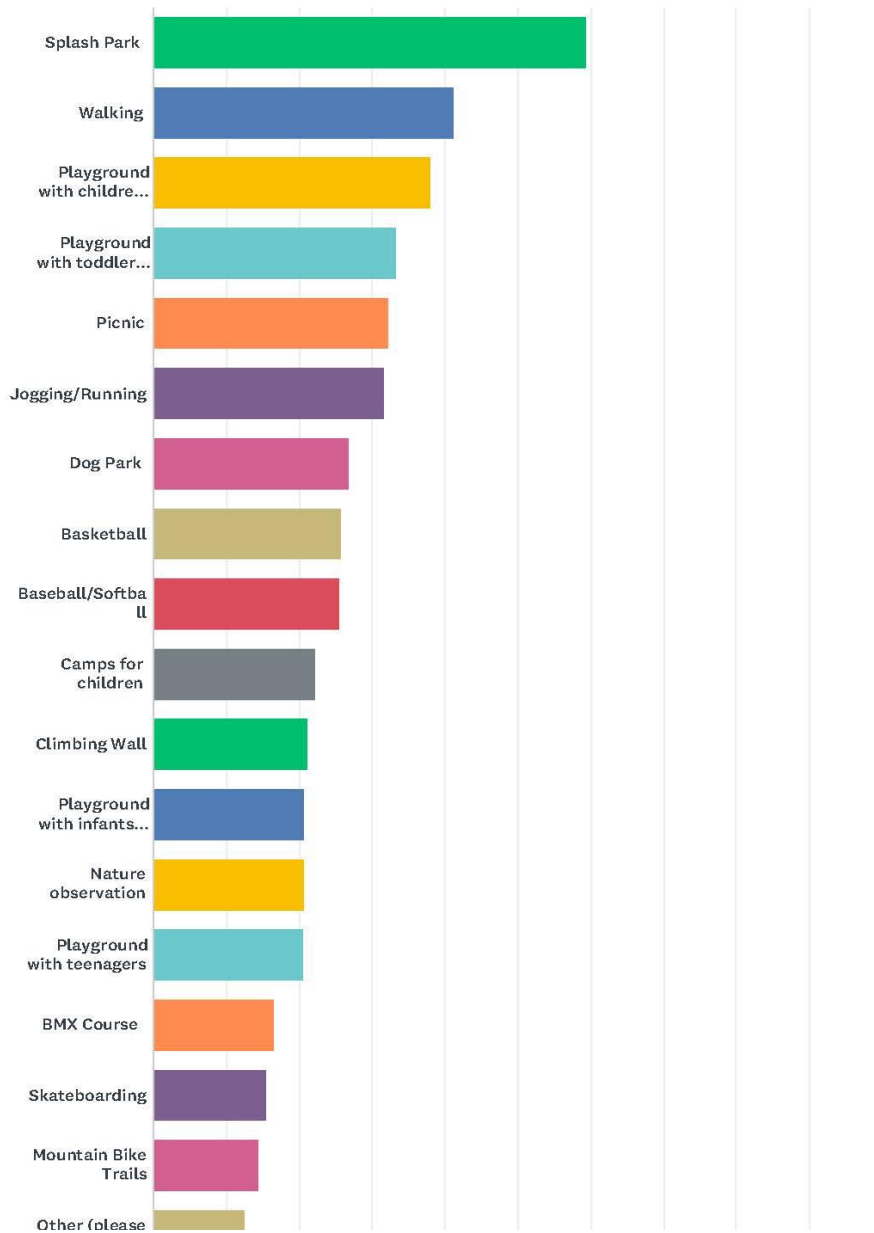
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21	BASKETBALL, SOCCER, FOOTBALL, XC RUNNING, TRACK SPRINTS(TRAINING), OBSTACLE COURSE, VOLLEYBALL, RAQUETBALL- AWESOME TO HAVE A COURT FOR THIS....	8/31/2017 2:26 AM
22	Skate Park	8/31/2017 12:25 AM
23	strongly suggest BMX park	8/30/2017 9:34 PM
24	I think it would be helpful if you redid the basket ball court at Alyea and put glass hoops the other hoop are getting old and breaking.Also at McMillin you need to repaint the equipment and make the hoops not double rims thank you have a great day.	8/30/2017 8:36 PM
25	Baseball Softball	8/30/2017 7:55 PM
26	skatepark	8/30/2017 7:41 PM
27	Basketball court	8/30/2017 6:36 PM
28	None of the above	8/30/2017 6:35 PM
29	T-ball at the Valpo YMCA	8/30/2017 6:09 PM
30	All playground equipment.	8/30/2017 5:51 PM
31	Baseball or Basketball or Soccer	8/30/2017 5:49 PM
32	The pool is are favorite in Munster.	8/30/2017 5:45 PM
33	Like bringing back a merrgosround or something cool and haven't seen for kids to play on	8/30/2017 5:35 PM
34	playground equipment	8/30/2017 1:57 AM
35	look at Valplayso. Need community pool.	8/30/2017 1:34 AM
36	just up to date nice equipment.	8/30/2017 1:05 AM
37	Ice rinks	8/29/2017 9:48 PM
38	Community Garden	8/29/2017 9:32 PM
39	Splash park would be an amazing addition to hebron! The playground equipment could be updated at all of the parks with better climbing accessories. Also the foam ground that more out of town parks are putting in would be amazing the children don't get all scraped up and they stay clean.	8/29/2017 8:50 PM
40	splash pad	8/29/2017 3:56 PM
41	volleyball,softball	8/29/2017 3:34 PM
42	Baseball & Soccer	8/28/2017 9:38 PM
43	pool	8/18/2017 1:59 AM
44	swings	8/18/2017 1:49 AM
45	wheel chair access parks	8/18/2017 1:12 AM
46	climbing towers and bridges	8/17/2017 11:20 PM
47	Hockey (Ice and Roller)	8/16/2017 10:36 AM
48	Disability accessibility	8/2/2017 12:16 PM
49	basketball	8/1/2017 9:11 PM
50	More swings for kids of all sizes	8/1/2017 7:19 PM
51	Splash pad!!!!!!!	8/1/2017 5:09 PM
52	Updated playground equipment and more stuff for younger children a splash pad with water sprays would be nice and more playground equipment.	8/1/2017 11:12 AM
53	Baseball	8/1/2017 7:03 AM
54	We spend a lot of time at the soccer fields. Rubber mulch would be more pleasant than the gravel at the park New age playground equipment would be awesome. The big slide at McMillian park poses a huge threat to irresponsible kids who think it's a good idea to lean over the top, and slide down the support pole. I see it EVERY time Im there with my kids. Picnic benches would also be a nice addition as well. There needs to be more amenities for kids to do here in town. Public pool would be wonderful as well!	8/1/2017 1:30 AM
55	Bike trails would be so nice.	8/1/2017 1:22 AM

56	Park equipment appropriate for a variety of ages in one place	7/31/2017 10:50 PM
57	Baseball	7/31/2017 10:46 PM
58	soccer	7/31/2017 2:59 PM

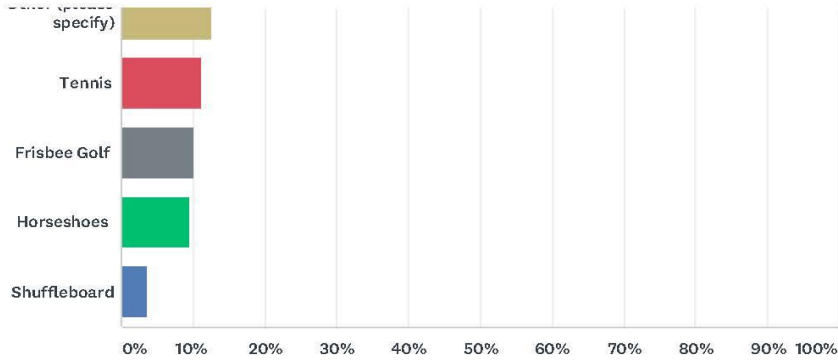
Q12 What additional facilities, equipment or programs do you think should be a priority for the Hebron Parks Dept. and the Town of Hebron? Select all that apply.

Answered: 279 Skipped: 19



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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Splash Park	59.50%	166
Walking	41.22%	115
Playground with children (5 to 12 yr.)	37.99%	106
Playground with toddlers (18 mo.-5 yr.)	33.33%	93
Picnic	32.26%	90
Jogging/Running	31.54%	88
Dog Park	26.88%	75
Basketball	25.81%	72
Baseball/Softball	25.45%	71
Camps for children	22.22%	62
Climbing Wall	21.15%	59
Playground with infants (0 -18 mo.)	20.79%	58
Nature observation	20.79%	58
Playground with teenagers	20.43%	57
BMX Course	16.49%	46
Skateboarding	15.41%	43
Mountain Bike Trails	14.34%	40
Other (please specify)	12.54%	35
Tennis	11.11%	31
Frisbee Golf	10.04%	28
Horseshoes	9.32%	26
Shuffleboard	3.58%	10
Total Respondents: 279		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	stocked pond to take kids to fish and a pool	9/26/2017 2:42 PM
2	outdoor checkerboard or games	9/18/2017 9:17 PM
3	volleyball	9/17/2017 2:01 PM

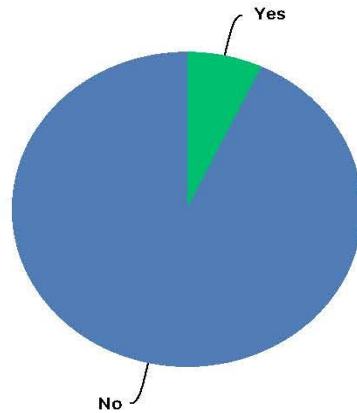
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4	skate park	9/15/2017 11:31 AM
5	bike trails	9/7/2017 8:30 PM
6	bathrooms/porta potties	9/7/2017 8:24 PM
7	koi pond and gardens	9/4/2017 12:18 PM
8	Most often we use the playground at the elementary school as it fits all of our needs	9/3/2017 8:30 AM
9	Special needs	9/1/2017 11:45 AM
10	Fishing holes	8/31/2017 8:15 PM
11	a trampoline like and one of those big ones	8/31/2017 7:24 PM
12	More tennis courts.	8/31/2017 3:38 PM
13	Pool	8/31/2017 2:15 PM
14	Raquetball, NEED A DOG PARK....., BMX or Skate park to get middle schoolers off streets	8/31/2017 2:26 AM
15	Skate Park	8/31/2017 12:25 AM
16	Swimming	8/30/2017 5:51 PM
17	marry-go-round	8/30/2017 5:45 PM
18	outdoor concerts	8/30/2017 1:53 AM
19	affordable preschool! better maintained baseball fields!	8/30/2017 1:47 AM
20	Volleyball	8/29/2017 8:50 PM
21	pool	8/18/2017 1:59 AM
22	bike trails	8/18/2017 1:51 AM
23	park restrooms at Alyea	8/18/2017 1:27 AM
24	wheel chair access	8/18/2017 1:12 AM
25	things for special needs. wheelchair swing	8/18/2017 1:05 AM
26	should mow the Little League & Soccer Club	8/18/2017 12:47 AM
27	A park that is accessible to children w/ disabilities	8/18/2017 12:08 AM
28	city pool	8/17/2017 11:57 PM
29	garbage pick up in parks are bad	8/17/2017 11:29 PM
30	Hockey Rink (Ice and Roller)	8/16/2017 10:36 AM
31	A outhouse at each park would be a big plus for little kids	8/6/2017 1:08 PM
32	More Restrooms	8/1/2017 8:21 PM
33	Community pool and stocked fishing ponds. Nothing for preteens and teens to do. Been here year and half and never heard about ice rink	8/1/2017 10:47 AM
34	Public pool, roller rink, a fun/safe place for young kids to hang out, play games, meet new friends, like an "adolescent group center" something like the boys and girls clubs. I know my son thoroughly enjoys the big brother/big sister event at the middle school that's only held twice a year. Something like this would be excellent for kids in our community to help keep them out of trouble.	8/1/2017 1:30 AM
35	Restrooms	7/31/2017 11:45 PM

Q13 Does a disability prevent your household from using the Town of Hebron's parks?

Answered: 286 Skipped: 12

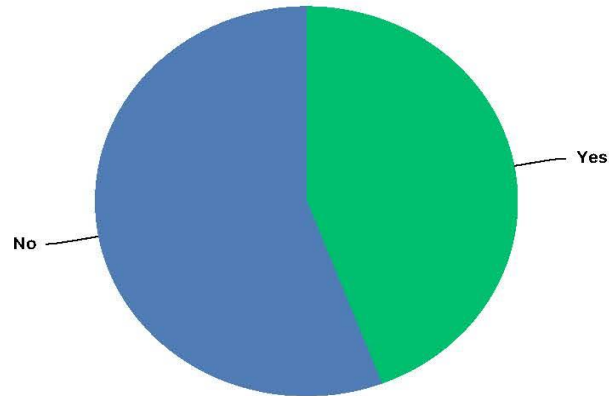


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	6.99%	20
No	93.01%	266
TOTAL		286

#	IF SO, WHAT TYPE OF DISABILITY?	DATE
1	Autism sensory and safety	9/18/2017 10:28 AM
2	none	9/15/2017 11:31 AM
3	My daughter has gross motor delays and can't access most of the park.	8/31/2017 10:10 AM
4	Walker	8/30/2017 7:41 PM
5	Physical handicap-cerebral palsy, needs adult swings w/ backs on them	8/18/2017 1:12 AM
6	unable to get on swings. swings are all too high off the ground	8/18/2017 1:05 AM
7	wheelchair	8/17/2017 11:29 PM
8	wheelchair	8/17/2017 11:25 PM
9	Cerebral palsy	8/15/2017 10:38 AM
10	Physical	8/2/2017 12:16 PM
11	Diabetes foot amputation need hard surface to get to places in park	8/1/2017 10:36 AM
12	c.p.	7/31/2017 11:05 PM

Q14 Do you see a need for additional pavilions to rent for events (birthdays, reunions, etc.)?

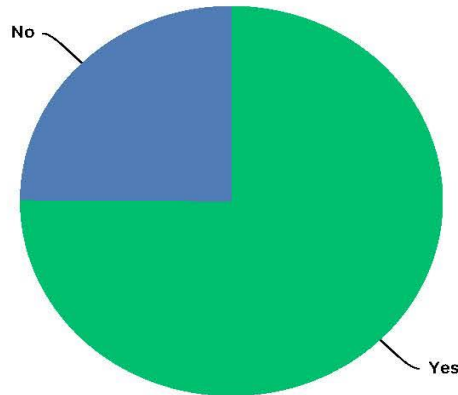
Answered: 285 Skipped: 13



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	44.21%	126
No	55.79%	159
TOTAL		285

Q15 If a Hebron Parks Foundation (501c) was created would you donate occasionally to enhance the Town of Hebron Parks?

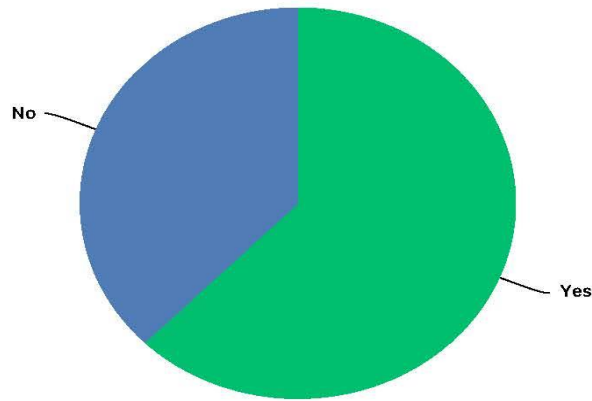
Answered: 281 Skipped: 17



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	75.09%	211
No	24.91%	70
TOTAL		281

Q16 Does the town need to increase the recreation opportunities for seniors?

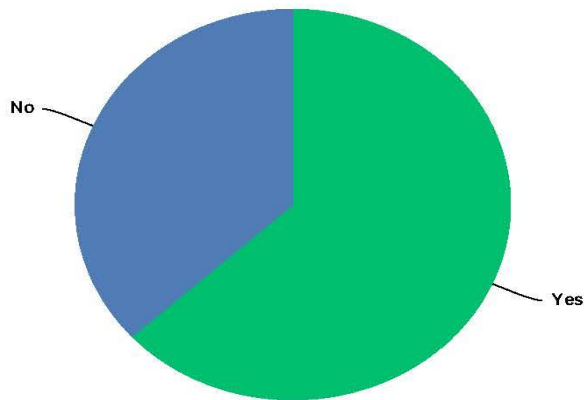
Answered: 271 Skipped: 27



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	62.36%	169
No	37.64%	102
TOTAL		271

Q17 Does the town need to increase the recreation opportunities for Children 0-5 years old?

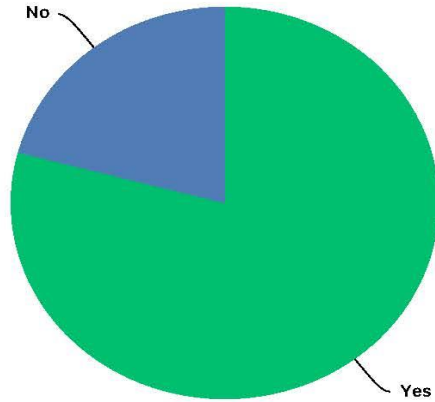
Answered: 261 Skipped: 37



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	63.22%	165
No	36.78%	96
TOTAL		261

Q18 Does the town need to increase the recreation opportunities for Youth 6-11 years old?

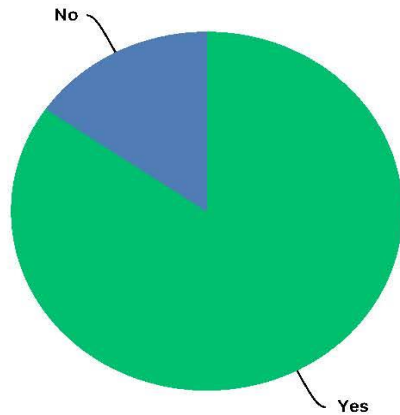
Answered: 264 Skipped: 34



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	79.17%	209
No	20.83%	55
TOTAL		264

Q19 Does the town need to increase the recreation opportunities for Youth 12-18 years old?

Answered: 261 Skipped: 37



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	84.67%	221
No	15.33%	40
TOTAL		261

Q20 Additional Comments or Suggestions:

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Answered: 100 Skipped: 198

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	All parks are too small and aimed at children use not family. In response to "are the parks kept clean", this survey taker wrote-"as clean as the Main Street before the 4th of July.	9/26/2017 2:30 PM
2	Alyea Park is not kept clean.	9/18/2017 8:57 PM
3	Aleya Park playground equipment is extremely dangerous and not up to safety standards. I observe unsafe play and at times injuries sustained from the red slide, teeter-todder and swings. Additionally, this year the teenagers have had really loud foul mouths. I've spoken to them several times about it being a public space and that their cursing carries into my home. Kids also like to use the park after hours. I'm supportive of young people having fun yet I do see that Teenagers need more recreational programming opportunities that also teach them life skills and community building.	9/18/2017 10:28 AM
4	it would be great if we had a place to just hang out and meet up with friends	9/17/2017 2:01 PM
5	Please make a good skate park for scooters bmx and skate boards or a bmx pump track	9/15/2017 11:31 AM
6	Frisbee Golf would be fun	9/10/2017 12:08 PM
7	We really think we need more bike trails.	9/5/2017 7:00 PM
8	Lol	9/4/2017 6:31 PM
9	I have visited many cities in years past the one thing that I always notice is the quality of parks and how diverse are the amenities. This town is full of teens that don't have much to do and families with young kids who go else where to play. Having multiple things for the community is great but probably focusing on the biggest percentage of the population and providing programs for them and then filtering down through the demographics would provide more service for it is needed	9/4/2017 6:29 PM
10	Hebron parks should always have something going on for the community young and old.	9/4/2017 12:18 PM
11	Thanks for the survey--at least Hebron has a lot of parks to be proud off!	9/1/2017 1:55 PM
12	I have lived in the town of Hebron for along time and there is absolutely nothing for kids of all ages or adults to do. We need something that will bring the town together and make recreational activities available. In order to keep people thriving in this town there needs to be something that helps them stay around and be proud of where we live. Having a community center or even a YMCA would be a great place to start. I mean we dont even have a community pool. This town can be great again if we all work together. Hopefully with this survey and the town's people expressing there opinion may open the town's eyes and consider making improvements.	8/31/2017 11:31 PM
13	Skatepark	8/31/2017 9:49 PM
14	Build a skatepark and allow bikes	8/31/2017 9:39 PM
15	I being a citizen of town and older male I believe that if a skate park/bike park was put in or trails then that could help the youth stay out of trouble and increase awareness of responsibility and help the younger children grow into responsible adults. I personally think it will help the younger comunity	8/31/2017 9:23 PM
16	Please build a skatepark	8/31/2017 9:23 PM
17	Put the skatepark at the tennis courts please	8/31/2017 9:21 PM
18	Community farming or gardens. Fishing holes. Let's start teaching the kids the need to know basics.. As a community	8/31/2017 8:15 PM
19	none	8/31/2017 7:24 PM
20	none	8/31/2017 7:08 PM
21	PLEASE GIVE US ALL SOMETHING TO DO. WE GET BORED.	8/31/2017 4:09 PM
22	Maybe just more tennis courts and maybe another pavilion would be nice	8/31/2017 3:38 PM
23	The town needs to improve, but being small town, not sure there are dollars for improving. I have a 9 year old who loves going to the parks, but she is quickly outgrowing the equipment, we often go to Valparaiso, family lives there and they have such nice parks. I like the walking running trails, and the only one I know of here in town is behind the police station.	8/31/2017 12:13 PM
24	more complex playgrounds and basketball courts	8/31/2017 11:34 AM

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25	I believe the town should cut down on the number of parks, due to the size of Hebron there should be one primary and maybe a picnic grove area in a wooded area of town. Some of the items you mentioned above would be great (i.e. splash pad). Funding then can be controlled and also security could also be maintained easier. Has anyone ever done a study on the use of the parks on the number of times used, this does not include the teenagers hanging out. In addition, there should be a curfew set on the parks, whether its dusk or a time frame.	8/31/2017 7:14 AM
26	Dog Park and Skate park would allow for folks to walk their pets and allow them to run unleashed with other animals. Skate park would get the middle school aged kids off streets in front of business dwellings. however the skate park would have to be monitored as well for the trouble makers that cause issues.	8/31/2017 2:26 AM
27	Skate park, and bmx course.	8/31/2017 12:25 AM
28	bmx park or walking trail would be appreciated	8/30/2017 9:34 PM
29	No comments have a great night your service for the parks is well appreciated.	8/30/2017 8:36 PM
30	N/A	8/30/2017 7:55 PM
31	Thank You!	8/30/2017 7:47 PM
32	We need a bmx park and a skatepark	8/30/2017 7:41 PM
33	NA	8/30/2017 7:41 PM
34	There are too many parks in our town. I would suggest to remove all parks except one main Central Park. There are pipe dreams for a splash pad, however, it would be a financial burden to the town. We need to show positive growth in our town before we attempt anything such as a splash pad. We've gone from being the 4th largest town in Porter County to the 5th. Let's focus on developing this town. The leadership lacks their of and no one wants change. Although, I might add, I like how the police department was relocated. I now feel safe using the walking path. I would suggest adding lights in the future.	8/30/2017 6:35 PM
35	I have heard of the Stagecoach and Depot Museums, but I have no idea what is there and what age group it is appropriate for?? Also, the merry-go-round at Wieglus needs repair, it is very difficult just to get it to move, then it stops right away??? Finally, I think this park board is doing a great job!!! Thanks for this opportunity! And number 4 is a repeat in this survey, but the hard copy asked for our favorite park.....it is Novreske!!!	8/30/2017 6:09 PM
36	Hebron, please open a swimming pool!	8/30/2017 5:51 PM
37	It would be cool if there was a obstacle course or a maze for the children	8/30/2017 5:45 PM
38	It's really disappointing that the "community center" is no longer available to the community. The town should have done a better job on managing it. Very selfish of the town to take it away.	8/30/2017 5:35 PM
39	does not want pavilions to rent. something like the community center	8/30/2017 2:03 AM
40	Alyea Park is littered with glass	8/30/2017 1:57 AM
41	Can't seem to know what the trash can is for. Cohen Park-not kept clean. kids are there at night	8/30/2017 1:43 AM
42	When asked if survey taker had a disability -wrote in they are 94 years old.	8/30/2017 1:29 AM
43	I see a ton of teens in town with nothing to do!	8/30/2017 1:24 AM
44	Equipment at McMillen Park needs to be replaced	8/30/2017 1:05 AM
45	Fill the ice rink, all the way, in the beginning of December.	8/29/2017 9:48 PM
46	Tennis, softball, football. Bigger newer grocery store, teens and seniors need better opportunities, to supplement their income. Community garden a must.	8/29/2017 9:32 PM
47	Need better equipment and more to do at parks i have a 3 yr old who loves parks but not much to do	8/29/2017 9:29 PM
48	I like that the town is taking the time to ask it's residents. I hope you take everyone's surveys into consideration.	8/29/2017 8:50 PM
49	pools - classrooms - meeting rooms - rental rooms - pavilions with toilet facilities	8/29/2017 4:25 PM
50	A rental for events needs to be inside w/ kitchen facilities now that community center has been taken away. Love the additional events that have been put on by the Park Dept.	8/29/2017 3:56 PM
51	When asked do you see a need for add'l pavilions to rent for events-why pay we already own them! Bring Santa back "Santa House" you killed something good! Moving Easter Egg Hunt was so stupid! Safety!	8/29/2017 3:44 PM

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52	Alyea Park is very nice. Hebron is in need of improvement for all ages-thank you for your time and effort! Walking/partner with anytime for town "walk" events for seniors	8/29/2017 3:34 PM
53	To many small parks, need a large park (several acres) with pavilions ball fields basketball, tennis etc along with playground equipment. Then keep McMillian, Alyea and possibly Cohen and get rid of the rest. That way almost everyone in town will have a park within walking distance. Update equipment. No sense trying to call community center a park because it's not for community use anymore.	8/28/2017 9:38 PM
54	There are a number of problems with the city parks near my house, and they all call for money. The money should come from the redevelopment commission. First, the city (and school) need pool(s). Maybe three of them, supervised and insured. Second, the city needs an area for skateboards and bike tricks. I'm forced to chase youngsters away from my parking lot (to their annoyance and mine) all the time. But this is like shouting at Starlings-I'm sure they just go elsewhere and find some other dangerous place to play. Second. Patrol and supervision of the parks by the police department is essential. The park near my house is infested with 11-14 year old boys who spend much of their time shouting "Fuck" and its grammatical variants. I can't let my girls go there. It isn't safe. Nor am I alone-my nearest neighbors won't allow their girls to go there either. This is exacerbated by the lack of police patrols which should be in-the-neighborhood and on bicycles. The only time I see the police is when making traffic stops. I am not sure what problems the police department is required to address and want to be fair, but their park and neighborhood presence gets a C-.	8/18/2017 2:07 AM
55	Please keep the ice rink going! We need a community pool!	8/18/2017 1:59 AM
56	McMillen Park equipment needs to be replaced	8/18/2017 1:53 AM
57	Cohen Park equipment needs replaced and it is not kept clean	8/18/2017 1:41 AM
58	check out the park/playground at Oak Hill Elem in Lowell!	8/18/2017 1:39 AM
59	we might need more pavilions to rent for events now that the community center is off the books	8/18/2017 1:29 AM
60	The equipment in Buchanan Park needs some work	8/18/2017 1:23 AM
61	Would love a walking park	8/18/2017 1:10 AM
62	For the most part , I do feel safe at parks, but the community center can be scary in the evening if the teens are there. There is zero parking at most. There is no places to rent now for events.	8/18/2017 1:05 AM
63	need to help the Little League baseball fields and Soccer program	8/18/2017 12:47 AM
64	Taking one of our parks and redoing it for teens. need to develop a park for older teenagers	8/18/2017 12:43 AM
65	more lighting is needed	8/18/2017 12:41 AM
66	repair streets	8/18/2017 12:21 AM
67	Alyea Park is not kept clean. Too many young boys cursing at the park. Few police drive bys.	8/17/2017 11:57 PM
68	Parks are not lit good enough for evening play. Mosquitos are terrible. Sidewalks are bad-have to wheel on streets. No favorites because not handicap accessible. No usable parks because no handicap accessible or restrooms for party or reunions. Community center was the best but police took over , now not usable. Skateboarding- kids do this at Methodist Church & tear up steps and concrete. Need more police patrols. We pay for limb pick up & I have looked at my neighbors limbs in yard for 3 months!	8/17/2017 11:29 PM
69	Alyea park garbage not emptied -all on ground	8/17/2017 11:25 PM
70	council needs to be more active in park events , more supportive	8/17/2017 11:20 PM
71	Would like Novreske Park to add more benches, more picnic tables, and add a tree or two. Would like more recreation activities for 12-14 year olds. Two animal-like bounce pieces by bench at Novreske Park needs to be replaced	8/17/2017 1:30 PM
72	Keep up the great work!	8/15/2017 10:38 AM
73	A huge problem with most of the parks for the adults is there is no parking lots. And as for the children there really isn't a lot for the kids to play on at the parks. My child likes the bigger playground sets bc there is monkey bars, smaller and safer slides she doesn't have to be afraid of like the ones here. Right now she is limited and at the age of 3 1/2 bc the slides are really too tall for her to climb. I hate that I can't take her to the park that's literally across the street from me but instead have to drive her over to the small toddler park that was just put in. Manly bc she constantly looks at that park across from us and asks to go there to play but as soon as we do she gets upset that there's only 4 things she can do there.	8/15/2017 1:22 AM

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74	Put more stuff out that teens can use. Hebron is such a small town with barely anything to do, if you put stuff out for the teenagers other a pavilion here and there with a bench or two there might be a lot less drug and alcohol abuse happening among this towns youth. Give them something to do!	8/13/2017 6:36 PM
75	Town of Hebron has too many parks now, its time to downsize. A central park is needed with a few satellite parks to compliment it. Hebron should look to model itself after DeMotte's Spencer park. Hebron should also consider to annex the Little League fields. The park board should also be disbanded and an Advisory Board should be created, any and all projects can then be funded by the Town Council.	8/10/2017 10:51 AM
76	Maybe a gardening club for adults/seniors would help improve the appearance in parks and some areas	8/6/2017 1:08 PM
77	Im newer to the area and had no idea there were so many parks in this town. I tried google to look and a towm website, but couldnt find anything. Those would be grest tools for your newer residents. ☺ Ive been driving to CP and Valpo for good activity ??	8/6/2017 12:40 PM
78	The park next to the methodist church is usually littered with garbage and it gets super muddy/flooded with alot of rain. it would be nice to see the park filled with rubber chips or simply rocks like it used to be.	8/4/2017 9:34 AM
79	None	8/2/2017 12:16 PM
80	A splash pad is such a good idea! I love that Kouts is also putting in a amphitheater. Maybe that could happen one day in our town??	8/1/2017 11:15 PM
81	updated basketball courts	8/1/2017 9:11 PM
82	More walking and running routes would be great, instead of running down town or the broken side walks. Splash pad would be a great addition and attract families from kouts and demotte as well.	8/1/2017 7:45 PM
83	We need more places to hold parties since the community center is no longer available. We need a splash pad area for children and better park equipment and more stuff for younger children 0-5. Half the parks on that list I have never even heard of or been too and I have lived in Hebron my whole life.	8/1/2017 11:12 AM
84	Adult and teen activities would be great. Winter activities like cross country skiing, ice skating, sledding, etc. these are things adults n teens can do together. Summer- Community pool! Disc golf would be a plus! Spring summer and fall-fishing pond! Community center-open gym	8/1/2017 10:47 AM
85	And do something about the mosquitos	8/1/2017 10:36 AM
86	I just recently moved to Hebron. I was not aware these parks even existed let alone other amenities. Valpo parks has a GREAT website, therefore I utilize that for my kids. Hebron residents are going to nearby towns to use their facilities because Hebron's are subpar. Valplayso is also an amazing park. You should consider using that as a model too. Splash pads bring in tons of people which in essence brings in revenue because people will visit nearby restaurants or shops.	8/1/2017 10:35 AM
87	Would love a new place to rent out for parties and such now that we no longer can use he community center. The scout cabin is too small and the gathering place is pricey	8/1/2017 9:32 AM
88	Alyea Park needs to be policed better. Lots of drugs and underage drinking and smoking happens there. This would be my favorite park because it's closest to home but the druggies keep the good people away.	8/1/2017 7:27 AM
89	We love our community!! But we need a splash pad or pool... Thanks.. Oh and dog park please..	8/1/2017 7:11 AM
90	Would like to see senior bus trips (out of town) organized like other park districts. More senior activities.	8/1/2017 2:50 AM
91	I truly hope the town will find more amenities for the children to do in this community.	8/1/2017 1:30 AM
92	We need a YMCA type of center	8/1/2017 12:20 AM
93	We would love a splash pad or public pool in town	8/1/2017 12:07 AM
94	For a small town I feel there are to many parks. At the most, my feeling is there should only be four parks, with one being large enough to provide everything that is necessary to meet the towns needs. Some of the parks I have visited have either broken glass, trash, or are not up kept. There is also not enough protection to monitor all parks for safety.	8/1/2017 12:01 AM
95	Pool...splash pad.....modernize 1 park instead of focusing on all them. Spen the money on making 1 really good...then next year or year after focus on another.	7/31/2017 11:43 PM
96	We would love to see splash pad, bigger central park at community center park with scenic features and tables. Would like to have a large playground area at community center. Also new equipment at Mcmillin park	7/31/2017 11:37 PM

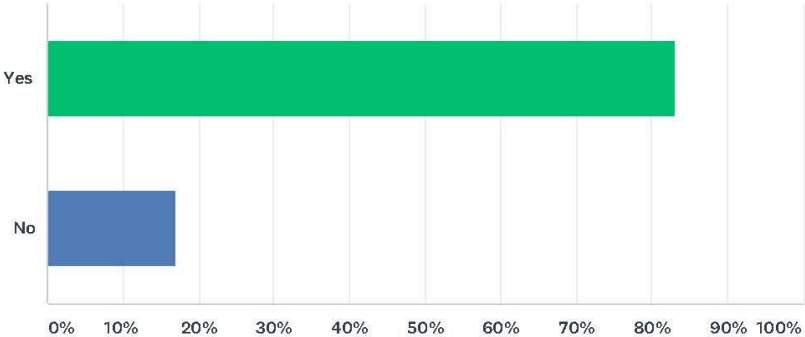
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97	Teenagers need an area to go and hang out other than our parks for children. Almost every time I have my children at the park we wind up leaving because of the teens vulgar language, aggressive behavior, and blatant disregard for the children the playing on the equipment. The Community Center area or Professional Court area would be perfect for this. Teens are teens and that will not change. We as responsible citizens should look to giving them an area in the town were they can be free to express themselves yet not hinder others family's good times.	7/31/2017 11:15 PM
98	We need somewhere to let our dogs play	7/31/2017 11:08 PM
99	I live by Fir ct park and it would look so much nicer if they just straightened out the bleachers and got a new trash can with a lid.	7/31/2017 10:53 PM
100	Have a designated park or 2 for teens and make the rest appropriate for children 0-12. The teens have inappropriate conversations/language and take over resulting in parents not taking younger children to the parks as often	7/31/2017 10:50 PM

Q1 Have you visited any park in the Town of Hebron this summer?

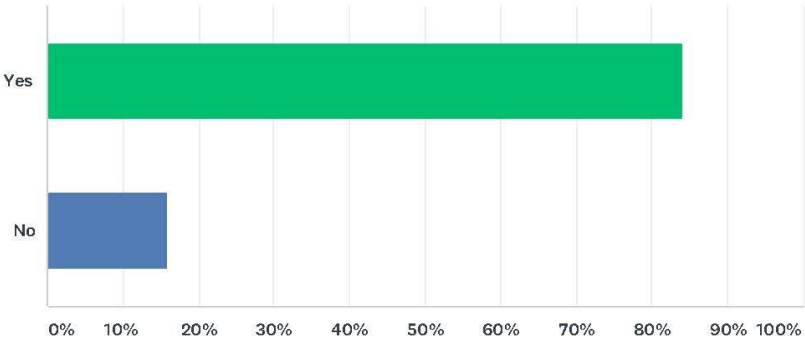
Answered: 106 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	83.02% 88
No	16.98% 18
TOTAL	106

Q2 Have you visited the Stagecoach and Railroad Museums in the Town of Hebron?

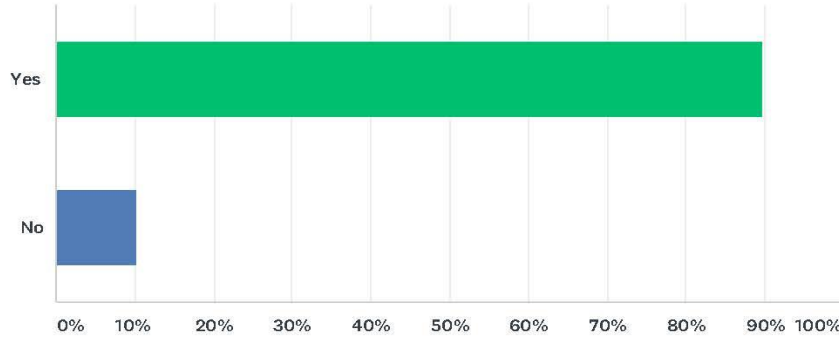
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	84.11% 90
No	15.89% 17
TOTAL	107

Q3 If you have visited the Stagecoach and Railroad Museums in Town, was it interesting or fun?

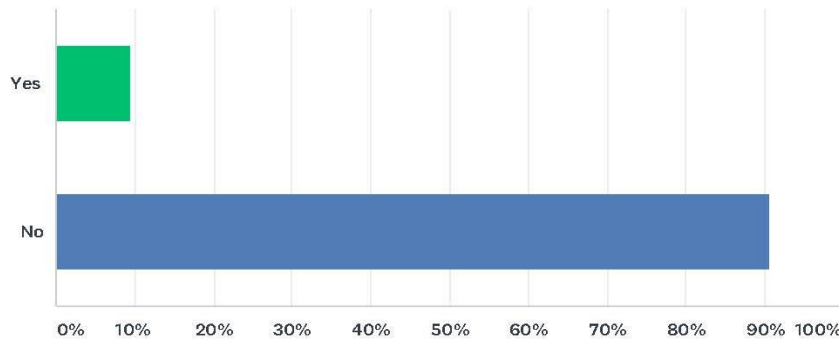
Answered: 98 Skipped: 9



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	89.80%	88
No	10.20%	10
TOTAL		98

Q4 Have you ever ice skated at the ice rink in the Town of Hebron?

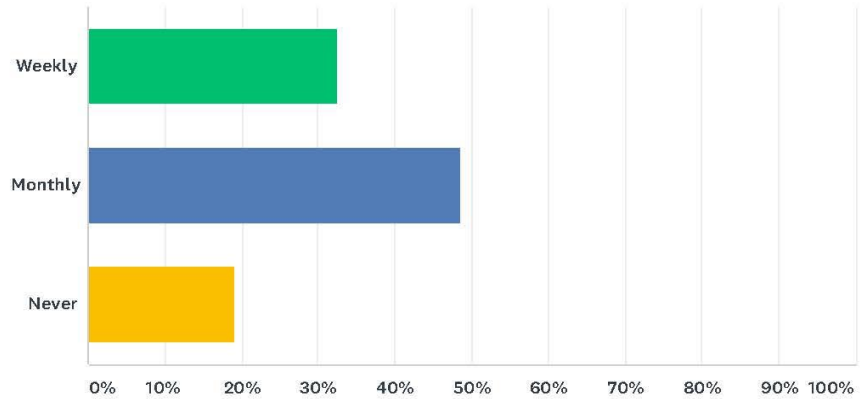
Answered: 107 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	9.35%	10
No	90.65%	97
TOTAL		107

Q5 How often do you visit a Town of Hebron park?

Answered: 105 Skipped: 2



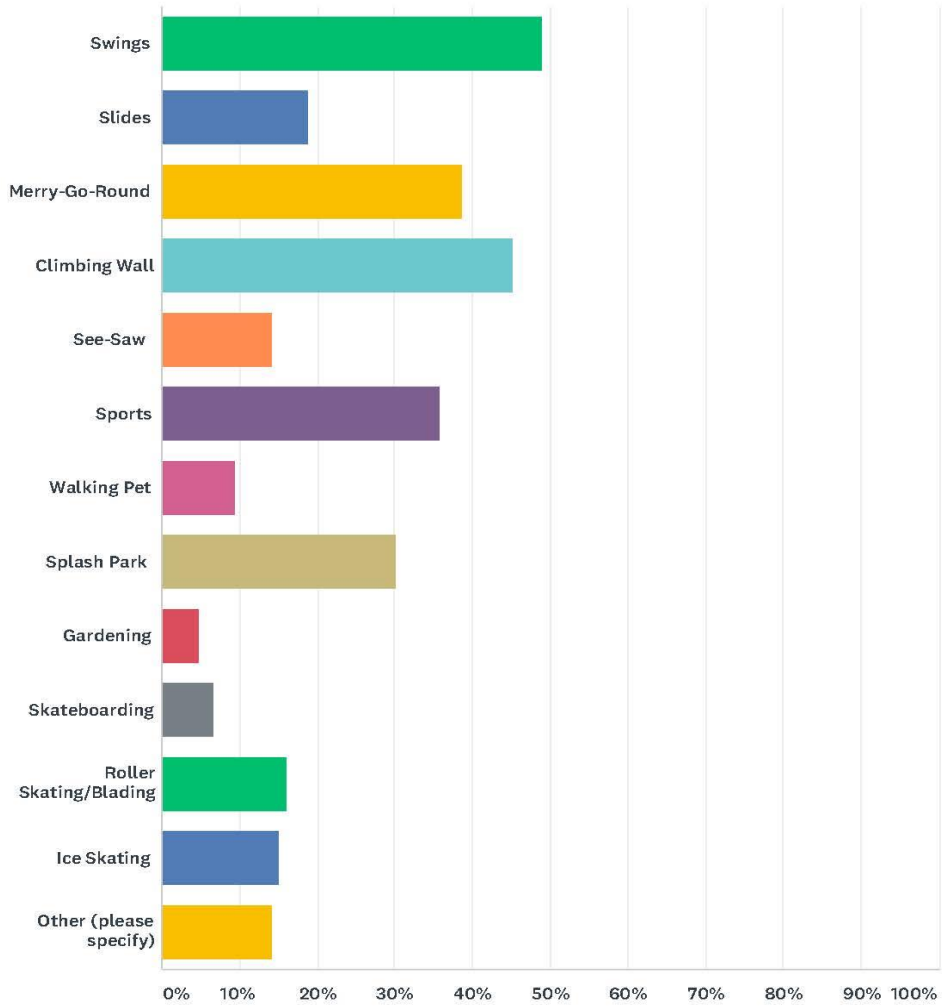
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Weekly	32.38%	34
Monthly	48.57%	51
Never	19.05%	20
TOTAL		105

Q6 Which of the below activities or park equipment do you enjoy the most? Choose up to three (3).

Answered: 106 Skipped: 1

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Swings	49.06%	52
Slides	18.87%	20
Merry-Go-Round	38.68%	41
Climbing Wall	45.28%	48
See-Saw	14.15%	15
Sports	35.85%	38
Walking Pet	9.43%	10
Splash Park	30.19%	32
Gardening	4.72%	5
Skateboarding	6.60%	7

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Roller Skating/Blading	16.04%	17
Ice Skating	15.09%	16
Other (please specify)	14.15%	15
Total Respondents: 106		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	sandbox	9/9/2017 10:02 PM
2	playing on trampoline	9/9/2017 9:58 PM
3	trampoline	9/9/2017 9:57 PM
4	town pool	9/9/2017 9:56 PM
5	monkey bars	9/9/2017 9:54 PM
6	monkey bars	9/9/2017 9:52 PM
7	blacktop	9/9/2017 9:52 PM
8	rip stick	9/9/2017 9:50 PM
9	pool	9/9/2017 9:43 PM
10	monkey bars	9/9/2017 9:41 PM
11	ice rink should have ice skates available to rent	9/9/2017 9:31 PM
12	obstacle courses	9/9/2017 9:24 PM
13	hanging out w/ friends	9/9/2017 9:21 PM
14	monkey bars	9/9/2017 9:18 PM
15	monkey bars	9/9/2017 9:11 PM

EXHIBIT D

STAKEHOLDER INTERVIEWS

1. Hebron has many small parks. Should these be consolidated?

Yes-6

- Keep the Community Center (Assembly Hall) and expand restrooms -2
- Keep Alyea Park as a Central Park-2
- Keep Novreske Park
- The smaller parks are a nuisance due to not being used
- Sell McMillen Park
- Cohen Park floods
- Although, concern over citizen previously choosing a home near a park then town removes the park

No-2

- Each subdivision should have a park
- That would create a Problem with namesake issue

2. Should the Town of Hebron focus on one park at a time when enhancing them?

Yes-5

- Specifically, Alyea Park and the Community Center
- Can't afford to do any other way

No-

- Repair and upgrade all park equipment at the same time

Unsure-

- Depends if a discount would be given if ordering multiple items at once

3. Water feature in the parks is supported by survey respondents. Would you support a splash pad?

Yes-5

- Minimal costs to maintain
- Could drain into retention pond as it's usually dry
- With a pier for bands
- Easy entertainment

No-3

- Concerned about liability insurance cost
- We cannot maintain what we have already; no funds - 2
- Do not increase taxes for a splash pad
- Only if it was donated
- Other activities are needed before splash pad such as football, skateboarding
- A splash park would create additional work for Police Dept.

4. Safety is a concern. Is there a need to partner with the Police Department to patrol areas of concern in specific parks?

Yes-2

- Although, hard to patrol since there is lack of directional lighting
- Currently considering this

No-3

- Just minor vandalism
- Should buy steel picnic tables
- Possibly remove gazebo at Alyea Park

5. Improvement and replace of equipment has been mentioned by survey respondents. Do you support the creation of a Park Department and hiring maintenance staff and purchasing related park equipment for staff?

Yes-7

- To purchase new swings
- To support the kids camp for ages 12 and under
- No communication from Park Board to Public Works
- Equipment is outdated -2
- Need direction for improving parks-pea gravel installed is not to code
- Need additional lighting at community center and on walking trail
- But no funds currently to support it

No-1

- Only maintenance of the parks is key to success
- Not many injury reports therefore must be successful as is
- Town is too small for additional staff

6. Should Hebron be smoke free?

Yes-8

7. Do you view Hebron Parks & Recreation as an essential service in our community?

Yes-4

- Residents have grown to expect at least an Annual Egg Hunt and Santa visits
- Parks is not high on Police Dept. priority list and it reflects such
- No budget is allowed for park essentials

No-2

- Town should sell all property
- Sell get numbers down
- But a nice perk

8. What new, renovated or expanded park facilities would you support?

- One new big central park-2
- Splash Pad
- Skate Park

- A central park at the Assembly Hall-2
- Consolidate current parks
- Little League and softball

9. Funding is major challenge facing the parks. How could we address this challenge?

- Increase taxes
- Facilitate through the CEDIT funds-2
- Public Works
- Communicate with other local organizations, such as the Lions Club and the Chamber of Commerce, the funding problem facing the community so that resources can be gathered
- Budget differently-2
- Seek Matching Grant-2
- Create a Foundation/Donations-2
- Liquidate park land assets that cannot be maintained
- Foundation Friends Park
- Add fee to new building permits

10. Should trails be a priority?

Yes-3

- Walking and biking trails
- A walking/bike trail from Wilson Street to Community Center (Assembly Hall) is being currently planned and incorporated into the Storm water Improvement Plan
- Connect all parks with a walking trail
- ??Difficult to get to parks due to SR 8 and 2
- Combine walking and biking trails

No-2

- Crossing ST 8 and 2 would be a challenge
- Buchanan and McMillen Parks already have trailing sidewalks
- But nice perk

11. Should your local youth sport leagues merge with the Hebron Parks Department?

Yes-2

- But no Park Department exist currently

No-3

- Youth League concession, no weeding/mowing, embarrassment
- They have their own fundraising
- They are self sufficient

12. What can be done to increase the numbers of volunteers in the community

- The Town cannot find people to work for pay let alone be a volunteer
- Unknown, have tried, people always back out

13. Overall, does the Hebron Parks system meet you and your family's recreation needs? If not, why not?

Yes-2

- For the most part

No-4

- Brookwood subdivision has no park
- Does not use them, when kids were young they played in neighborhood

14. What is your vision for the future of the Hebron Parks?

- One big consolidated central park (3)
- Central park similar to Valplayso but on smaller scale (1)
- Slash pad (2)
- Amphitheatre
- Develop a budget
- Bike Trails-2
- Walking Trails-2
- Skate Park
- To have quality modern equipped parks
- Find money-1
- Fund additional money to the Park Board
- Improve Ice Skating Rink atmosphere