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Planning Process

The 2023-2027 Harrison Township Recreation Plan was prepared under the direction of a steering committee consisting of members of the Township Board and was adopted by the Township Board to serve as a guide and decision-making document for future recreation facilities and programs. The plan presents an inventory of existing facilities and programs within the Township and an evaluation of opportunities and needs. The plan considers the existing facilities in and around the Township, the anticipated demand for additional or improved facilities, and the means for providing those facilities over the upcoming five-year period.

The plan is also intended to enable the Township to continue to apply for funding assistance from various agencies to work toward implementing the documented recommendations. This plan provides for five years of grant eligibility with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. It is recommended, however, that the plan be reviewed on an annual basis, and amended if necessary, to ensure it is reflective of the needs of the community.

Plan Development Process

The following is a summary of the key elements of the planning process and components of the plan itself.

Background Studies

The necessary data to begin the formulation of the background studies for the plan was collected from various sources including Harrison Township, Macomb County, the previous Township Recreation Master Plan, SEMCOG, the U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey, the L'Anse Creuse Public School District, and field observations, among other sources.

The Community Description also includes a brief introduction to the Township, the jurisdiction of the plan and the general purpose of the document.

An inventory of the facilities within Harrison Township was completed in August 2022. The location of each of the public and private facilities, as well as school facilities, was described and mapped. The Recreation Inventory portion of the plan also discusses the various programs, activities, and events offered throughout the Township.

The Administrative Structure section of the plan describes how recreation is governed and operated within the Township. This includes information gathered from the Township outlining staff responsibilities and a fiscal analysis as it relates to recreation.

Public Input

Harrison Township facilitated an online citizen survey in October and November of 2022 as the primary means of gathering citizen input during the plan development process. The survey generated 218 total responses and provided valuable insights into recreational preferences, deficiencies and needs.

Basis For Action

The Basis For Action portion of the document analyzes factors inside and outside of the Township that may have an effect on the direction of recreation over the next five years. This portion of the plan provides the rationale for the goals, guidelines and recommended capital improvements. Several factors were analyzed including current recreation trends (on both national and state levels), comparison of Township parks to acreage and facility standards, service area gaps, existing plans and reports, and the results of the public input.

Action Program

The Action Program portion of the document outlines various goals for recreation facility development and programming within the Township. Additionally, the Action Program includes recommended capital improvements over the next 5-years.

Public Hearing

The draft plan was made available for public review in December 2022, well in advance of the public hearing. The availability of the draft plan and the upcoming public hearing was officially noticed and published in the Macomb Daily and on macombdaily.com on December 21, 2022. A public hearing on the draft Recreation Master Plan was held in front of the Township Board on January 23, 2023.

Adoption

After holding the public hearing, the Harrison Township Board adopted the Recreation Master Plan by resolution at their January 23, 2023 meeting.

Physical Characteristics

The physical setting of a community may influence the availability of recreation opportunities. The presence of varied topography, woodlands, and other natural water features, including lakes and rivers, often provide unique opportunities for diverse recreation activities. A community's land use characteristics also need to be considered in evaluating recreation needs and opportunities.

Topography/Flood Hazard Areas

Harrison Township has a nearly level land area, with no more than ten (10) feet of topographic change across the entire Township. This level terrain, coupled with the Township's proximity to both the lake and the river, subjects large portions of the community to periodic flooding hazards.

A floodplain is an area of land along a lake, river, or other water feature that is susceptible to being inundated by water as a result of heavy rains, snow melt, or other factors. Floodplains are naturally occurring physical features that provide for the temporary holding of this excessive water until such time as the receiving channel is capable of accepting the water.

Extensive flood hazard areas are evident in Harrison Township. These areas are shown in **Map 1: Existing Conditions**. Data was obtained from the National Flood Insurance Program and classifies the areas that have a 1-percent-annual-chance of a flooding event. The areas that are most affected encompass the shoreline along Lake St. Clair and surrounding the Clinton River. These flood prone areas may have some value for recreation planning purposes.

Surface Water and Wildlife Resources

Surface water exists in many forms, such as lakes, rivers, creeks and open storm drains. Harrison Township contains a high proportion of these features. The most notable of these are Lake St. Clair, the Clinton River and the Spillway. The Township's Lake St. Clair shoreline is approximately 12.6 linear miles in total length. The Clinton River winds its way for a distance of 5.7 miles through the Township. This measurement does not include the Clinton River Spillway, which crosses the southeast corner of the Township. Numerous man-made canals are present in many of the single-family subdivisions located proximate to the Lake. These canals

provide a waterway system of channels for the pleasure boats owned by the residents of these neighborhoods.

The presence of an abundant amount of natural water bodies in and near Harrison Township is of great potential value as it applies to recreation and future development. Lake St. Clair has, in the past, been a strong attraction for both its recreational and aesthetic value. Since marinas and waterborne pleasure craft are increasing in number and popularity throughout the nation, it is evident that the Lake's attraction will increase in years to come.

Woodlands/Wetlands and Environmental Issues

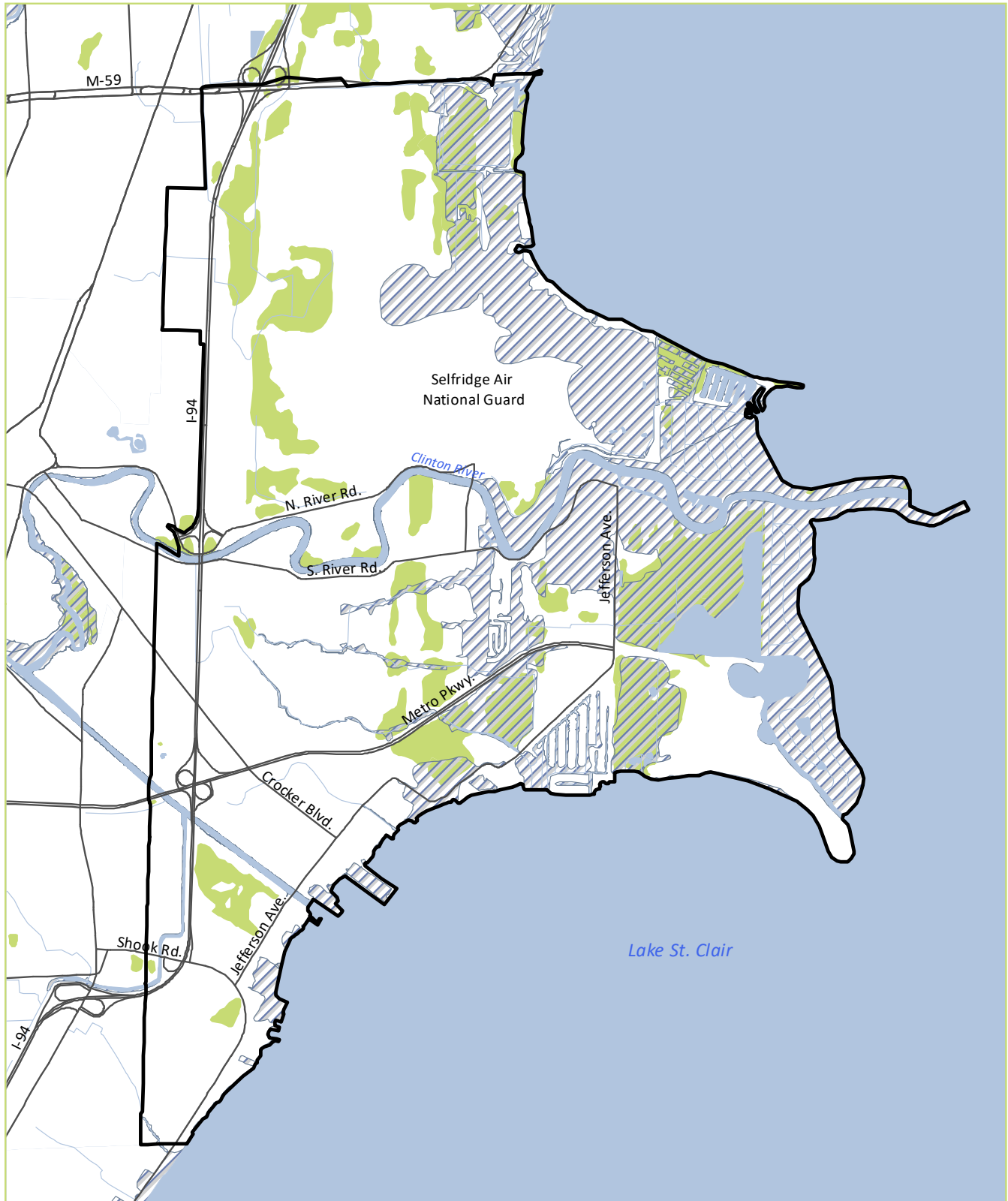
Undisturbed woodlands and wetlands offer numerous benefits for recreation purposes. For example, these natural features enhance the setting of parks by providing opportunities for picnicking, hiking and nature interpretation.

Large, undisturbed woodlands are no longer a dominant feature in the Harrison Township landscape. While there are many scattered locations of small wooded areas in Harrison, only two large stands of trees remain. One is found north and south of Metropolitan Parkway, between Hazel and Shoreline. The other is located south of the Spillway and east of I-94. Efforts should be made to respect and preserve the character of these natural areas for the future.

Two basic types of wetlands are found in Harrison Township, lowland hardwood wetlands and shrub, emergent or aquatic bed wetlands. The latter category occurs principally east of Jefferson, between South River Road and Lake St. Clair. The lowland hardwood wetlands are most prominent along Metropolitan Beach Parkway. Many of the wetlands in the Township have been overtaken by urban development. Wetlands are an important asset to Harrison Township and should be preserved when planning recreation efforts.



Climate

Harrison Township is in the humid continental climate zone and therefore realizes four seasons - summer, fall, winter and spring. Storms from the Great Lakes region cross the area from the west and southwest. The climate of Harrison Township is characterized by frequent weather and temperature changes with an even distribution of precipitation.






MAP 1 Existing Conditions

Existing Conditions:

-  Wetlands
-  1.0% Annual Chance of Flooding (FEMA 2006)

Base Data:

-  Township Boundary
-  Bodies of Water
-  Major Roads

Source: Michigan Geographic Data Library

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August 2022



The mean temperature for the area is about 48 degrees. The annual precipitation averages 30.28 inches of which 50 percent occurs during the six-month period from April through September. This climate is suitable for a variety of outdoor recreation activities, including jogging and bicycling.

Transportation Networks

Street Inventory

Harrison Township contains approximately 96.7 linear road miles, as measured from the current Township base map. Of this total, there are about 5.9 miles of freeway, 0.4 miles of State Highway, 24.2 miles of County Primary roads, 5.1 miles of County Local roads, and 61.1 miles of other roads. There are three roads within the Township which carry the majority of the traffic; Metropolitan Parkway, Jefferson Avenue and South River Road. There is little opportunity to move between neighborhoods, schools and recreation facilities within the Township without using one of these roads.

Freeway Interchanges

Interstate 94 is the only freeway that crosses Harrison Township. Four interchanges are located along I-94 in the Township. These occur at M-59 (Rosso Highway), North River Road, Metropolitan Beach Parkway, and a partial one at Shook Road. A second, limited access road serving the Township is Metropolitan Beach Parkway, which crosses the south-central portion of the community.

Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART)

SMART is the agency responsible for providing mass transportation services to the three-County Metropolitan Detroit area. The main component of SMART's service to the region consists of a network of bus routes. Other services provided by SMART include a connector or small bus service, which provides a more specialized type of service. This is particularly useful for meeting the transportation needs of senior citizens and the handicapped.

Harrison Township is connected to the SMART bus system via the Jefferson-East Express route. Service along this route is offered Monday through Friday, during rush hours only. It provides transit service between Crocker/Metropolitan Beach Parkway and Grand Circus Park in Downtown Detroit. Selected trips are also available along Crocker to Mt. Clemens and to Selfridge Air National Guard Base.



Administrative Structure

The following describes how recreational activities and resources are governed and administrated within Harrison Township. The function of the Board of Trustees, Parks and Recreation Committee and Township staff have been summarized on the following pages.

Public Act 156 of 1917 (Local Government, Operate System of Public Recreation) authorized cities, villages, counties, townships, and school districts to operate systems of public recreation and playgrounds.

Section 1:

- A. Any City village, county or township may:
 1. Operate a system of public recreation and playgrounds;
 2. Acquire equipment and maintain land, buildings, or other recreational facilities;
 3. Employ a superintendent of recreation and assistants; and,
 4. Vote to expend funds for the operation of such a system.

Recreation Administration within Harrison Township

The Township Board is the governing body of the Township and has the ultimate authority over all recreation matters. The Parks and Recreation Committee is comprised of two members of the Township Board who typically work with citizen volunteers related to specific efforts, such as the planning of special events. The Parks and Recreation Committee also provides the Township Board with information regarding the community's attitude and desires related to recreation programs and activities. The Parks and Recreation Committee has never been formally organized as a Recreation Commission and has no bylaws.

Recently, the Township Board created a full-time position for a Senior Activity Coordinator. The Senior Activity Coordinator’s primary responsibility is programming and operational activities related to the Tucker Senior Center. The Senior Activity Coordinator regularly interacts with the Township Board and Parks and Recreation Committee.

The Township Board is responsible for the parks and recreation budget, including sponsors, grant funding and other sources of revenue. The Township also enlists the help of volunteers each year to perform a variety of duties, such as team coaching and program administration.

L’Anse Creuse Public School District

The L’Anse Creuse Public School District serves the residents of Harrison Township, and portions of Clinton Township, Chesterfield, Macomb, Mount Clements and St. Clair Shores. In total, the district serves 37 square miles of Macomb County and includes administrative offices, two early childhood centers, nine elementary schools, four middle schools, two high schools, a lifelong learning center, a performing arts center, and a support services center. Many school properties include playground and park facilities that serve Harrison Township residents.

Macomb County

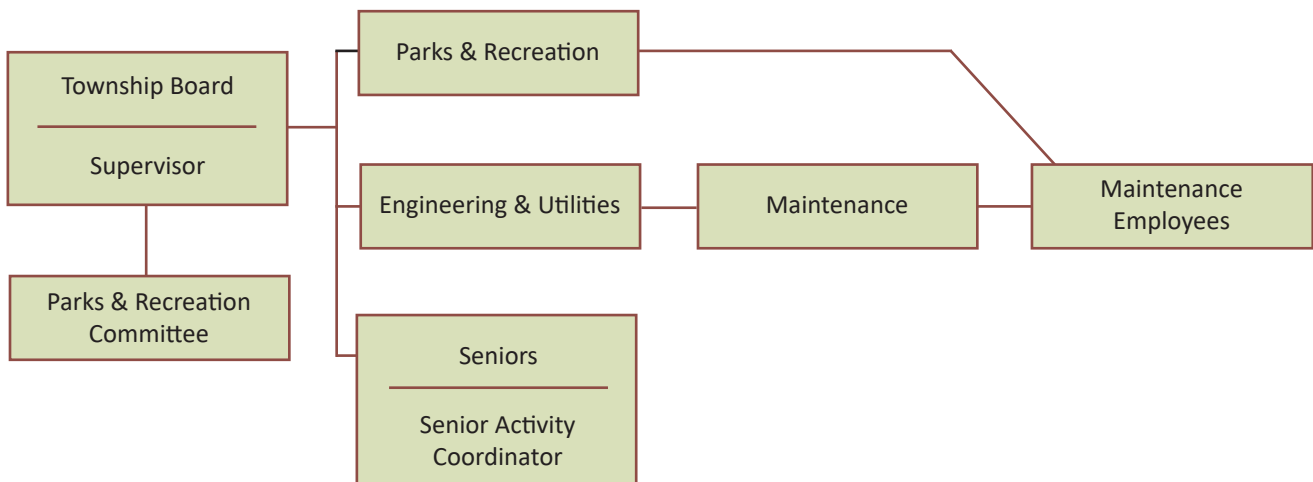
In 1966, the Macomb County Board of Commissioners established a Parks and Recreation Committee. The Committee

serves as the planning and policy-making body for parks and recreation undertakings. In the late 2000s, while experiencing widespread economic hardship, the County made the difficult decision to disband the Parks and Recreation Department. For three years, park initiatives in the County were largely halted. In 2010 the County restructured as an executive form of government. In this form, parks and recreation operate under the authority of the Macomb County Executive, primarily under two departments: The Macomb County Department of Planning and Economic Development and The Macomb County Department of Roads.

The first Macomb County Parks and Recreation Master Plan was produced in 2014, and established goals and objectives around the following ideas: provide parks and recreation opportunities, foster community development and engagement, promote environmental stewardship, encourage healthy lifestyles, and support economic development.

In 2017, Macomb County produced the report Mobilize Macomb. Mobilize Macomb is an ongoing County-wide non-motorized transportation plan. The mission of Mobilize Macomb is to make the County’s streets, trails and pathways friendly places for pedestrians and bicyclists of all ages and abilities. The project collected information from Macomb County residents and stakeholders on how to build connections, identify gaps, and prioritize links.

Township Administrative Structure Related to Recreation



Township Fiscal Analysis

Revenues and expenditure figures over the past three years for Harrison Township's Parks & Recreation Fund were collected, analyzed, and summarized in the following table. This analysis assists in establishing a general trend in expenditures in regard to recreation activities. Parks & Recreation Fund expenditures in 2020 totaled \$4,897.73, but this increased to approximately \$11,000 in both 2021 and 2022. General donations accounted for the bulk of the Parks & Recreation Fund revenues in 2021 and 2022. It should be noted that the lower expenditures during 2020 was largely due to the forced shutdown and limited activities offered during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The table only includes revenues and expenditures of the Township's Parks & Recreation Fund. It is important to note that expenditures related to buildings and grounds maintenance (including parks) as well as needed capital improvements fall within the Township's General Fund. The Township's General Fund expenditures have ranged from approximately \$2.5 million to \$3.5 million since 2015.

Harrison Township Parks & Recreation Fund Revenues and Expenses, 2020-2022

Revenue/Expense Item	2020 Actual	2021 Actual	2022 Budget
Revenues			
General donations	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 11,000.00
Christmas tree lighting	\$ -	\$ (586.88)	\$ -
Park It Family Fun Night	\$ -	\$ 424.00	\$ -
Hallowpalooza	\$ 50.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -
Road Rally	\$ -	\$ 1,260.00	\$ -
<i>Total revenues</i>	<i>\$ 50.00</i>	<i>\$ 11,297.12</i>	<i>\$ 11,000.00</i>
Expenditures			
Bowling	\$ -	\$ 910.00	\$ 1,000.00
Fishing tournament	\$ -	\$ 825.75	\$ 1,000.00
Christmas tree lighting	\$ -	\$ 974.04	\$ 1,000.00
Engines and Eats	\$ -	\$ 1,122.47	\$ 1,500.00
Movie night	\$ 2,920.00	\$ 1,935.00	\$ 2,000.00
Hallowpalooza expenditures	\$ 757.58	\$ 1,300.96	\$ 500.00
Road rally expenditures	\$ -	\$ 1,151.00	\$ 500.00
Music in the Park	\$ -	\$ 2,310.00	\$ 3,000.00
General supplies	\$ 353.96	\$ 538.00	\$ 500.00
Miscellaneous expenditures	\$ 866.19	\$ -	\$ -
<i>Total expenditures</i>	<i>\$ 4,897.73</i>	<i>\$ 11,067.22</i>	<i>\$ 11,000.00</i>

Source: Harrison Township Treasurer, 2022

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Recreation & Resource Inventory

Developing a complete inventory of recreation facilities, programs, and events is an essential component of a Parks and Recreation Master Plan. It provides a base of information to use in developing the action program. Understanding what facilities, programs, and events are available to the residents of Harrison Township will assist in the future decision-making process.

This portion of the plan includes several components. Descriptions of the recreation opportunities within the Township include public properties, private recreation opportunities, as well as other county and regional recreation areas. A barrier-free compliance status inventory was conducted for the various Township-owned and operated recreation facilities. This section of the Master Plan also includes a description of the Township's State recreation grant funding history.

Recreation Programs

Harrison Township provides a year-round volunteer recreation program which offers a range of activities for all age groups. Family-oriented activities, such as Halloween, movie night, music in the park, a fishing tournament, and organized special events, such as the Christmas tree lighting, are also available. These programs are held at various recreation and school sites in the community and continue to be developed and improved. The Township also works in conjunction with clubs and organizations in co-sponsorship to provide many recreational pursuits. Examples of these include A.Y.S.O. Soccer, Babe Ruth Baseball, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and L'Anse Creuse Baseball.

Recreation Facilities

A recreation inventory was completed in August 2022 documenting parks and park amenities owned by Harrison Township, recreational facilities owned or managed by the public-school district, private recreational areas, and significant recreation opportunities available to residents of Harrison but are outside of the Township limits.

Public Facilities

Harrison Township owns and operates five park sites in the community. A sixth recreation facility operated by the Township is the Freedom Trail bicycle/pedestrian path located along the south side of Metropolitan Parkway. Township parks encompass approximately 37.4 acres of land and are described on the following pages. The location of each facility is illustrated on **Map 2: Existing Park Facilities**.

- **Trombley Park**

This neighborhood park contains 4 acres of land. The site is used primarily by the Harrison Township Little League and features two baseball diamonds with backstops and bleachers. There is an equipment storage facility at this site also. The park has road frontage on both South River Road and Elmitte Street, and there are approximately 26 parking spaces dedicated to the park. Single-family homes surround the site.



Trombley Park

- **Waterfront Park**

This neighborhood park contains 4 acres, with more than 275 feet of shoreline along Lake St. Clair, with a seawall. The park includes a pavilion with picnic tables and BBQ grills, restroom facilities/storage area, two horseshoe pits, sand volleyball courts, one ½-court basketball court, additional picnic area with tables and BBQ grills, and a wooden boardwalk along Lake St. Clair. The site also contains a playground which includes a play structure, slide, sandbox, and climbers. Attached condominiums are located on both sides of the park. There are approximately 80 parking spaces that service the site. Waterfront Park is a multi-purpose recreation site with a strong emphasis on family or group picnics.

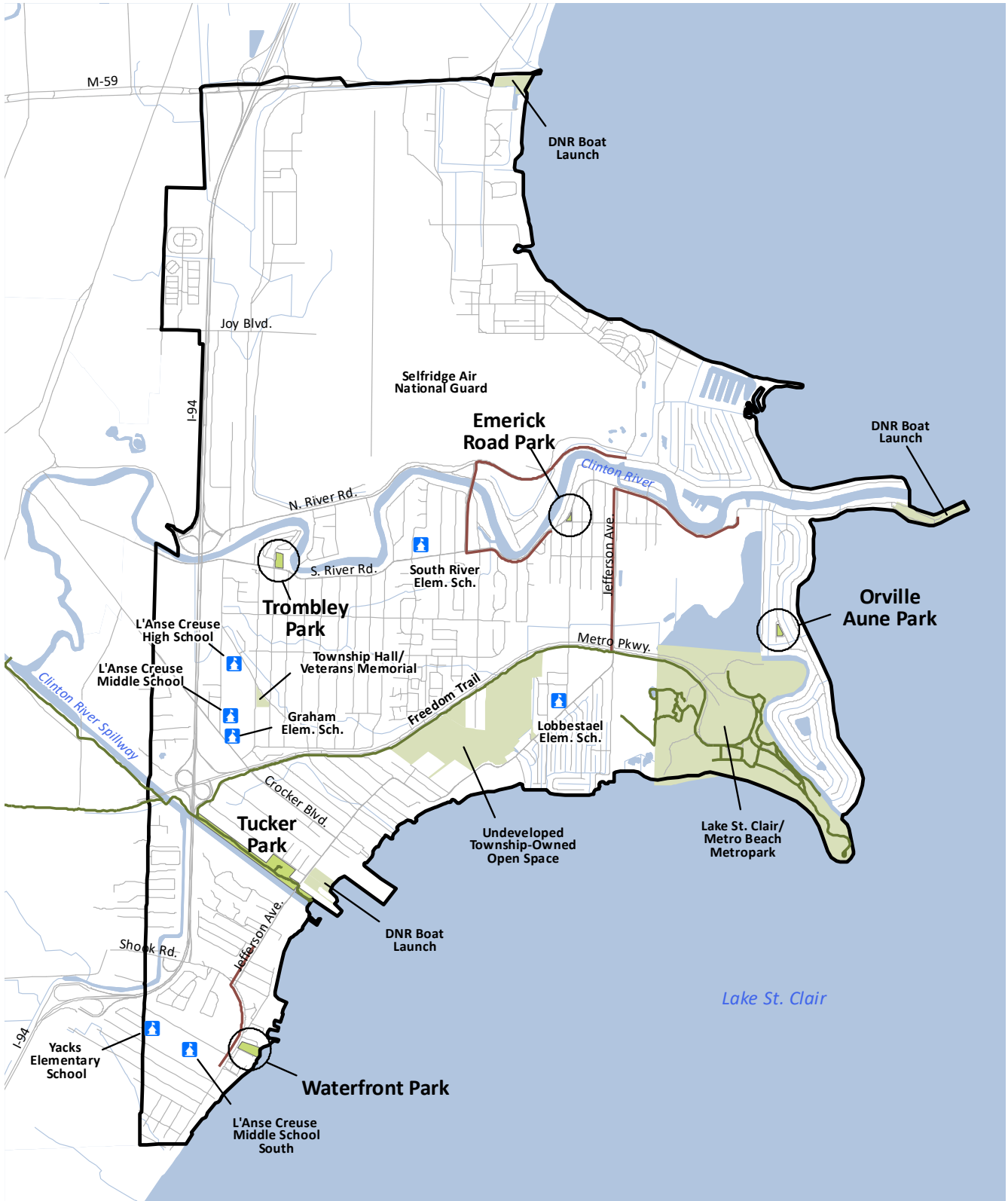


Waterfront Park

Photo Source: Google Earth

- **Tucker Park**






Harrison Township purchased this community park site from Macomb County, which contains a total of 28 acres. The park has two areas which are separated by Jefferson Avenue. One area is located along Lake St. Clair and includes a pavilion with picnic tables and BBQ grills, a boardwalk/fishing pier and a small storage building. The second area is accessible from Ballard Street and includes the Tucker Senior Citizens Center, restroom facilities, play structure and picnic tables/benches. This site also includes two baseball diamonds and a pathway which connects to the Clinton River Trail bicycle/pedestrian path.






MAP 2 Existing Park Facilities

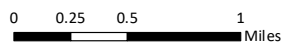
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Park Data

-  School Location
-  Township Park
-  Other Key Recreational Facilities
-  Existing Regional Trails
-  Existing Local Trails

Base Data

-  Township Boundary
-  Bodies of Water
-  Streets





Tucker Park

• **Orville Aune Park**

Approximately 1 acre in size, Aune Park is a mini-park framed by Archer Drive, Powers and Pardee Streets on the east side of the Township. It is located in the middle of a residential neighborhood near Lake St. Clair. The park includes greenspace area, a playscape structure, picnic tables, and trash receptacles.



Orville Aune Park

• **Emerick Road Park**

Without an official name (but called “Emerick Road Park” for the purposes of this recreation plan), this 0.4 acre mini-park is framed by South River Road, Emerick Road and Prentiss Street. The park includes a playscape structure. It also includes picnic tables and greenspace. The park serves the surrounding residential neighborhoods and is easily accessible by a pathway along South River Road.

Name	Acres	Parking	Restroom (Plumbing)	Concession	Soccer Field	Ball Diamond	Football Field	Sledding Hill	Open Space/Wooded Area	Horshoe Pits	Play Equipment	Playscape	Basketball Court	Bike Path	Fishin Access	Tennis Courts	Picnic Shelter	Picnic Tables	Grills	Nature Area (10 acres)	Drinking Fountain	Canoe Access	Volleyball Court	Ice Skating Area	Maintenance/Storage	Dog Park
1 Trombley Park	4.0	X				X												X							X	
2 Waterfront Park	4.0	X	X					X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X				X		X	
3 Tucker Park	28.0	X	X			X		X			X		X	X			X	X	X							
4 Orville Aune Park	1.0											X														
5 Emerick Road Park	0.4											X						X								
6 Freedom Trail	N/A												X													
Total Acreage	37.4																									

Source: WT Survey Conducted August 2022

- **Freedom Trail Bicycle/Pedestrian Path**

This trail system could, for practical purposes, be considered a linear park. The three-mile long park extends from the Township's western boundary at Union Lake Road east to the entrance of Lake St. Clair Metropark at Jefferson Avenue. A branch of the park extends along the Clinton River spillway as far south as Jefferson, with a connection to Tucker Park.

The trail consists of a twelve-foot wide asphalt path that meanders through the wooded land located on the south side of Metropolitan Parkway. It continues west from Harrison Township for a total of 10.7 miles, connecting Lake St. Clair Metropark to Schoenherr Road in Sterling Heights.



Freedom Trail

- **Undeveloped Township-Owned Open Space**

Harrison Township also owns a 154 acre site that has not been developed. The site has frontage on Metropolitan Parkway and Jefferson Avenue and sits adjacent to the Freedom Trail. The area is heavily wooded and includes a portion of the Ventre de Beuf Drain.

- **Veterans Memorial**

Although not a park facility, a Veterans Memorial was established at the Township Hall complex near the intersection of Townhall and L'Anse Creuse Streets. This passive memorial space commemorates the service of local veterans.

Public School Facilities

All of Harrison Township is located within the boundaries of the L'Anse Creuse School District. Portions of the School District also extend into the neighboring communities of Chesterfield, Macomb and Clinton Townships. Seven of the School District's 13 schools are located in Harrison Township. Collectively, these sites occupy approximately 110 acres of land. These include four elementary schools, two middle schools and one high school. The District's administrative offices are also located in the Township.

- **Graham Elementary**

The facilities and equipment provided at this school include a gymnasium, and two ½-court basketball courts. The site also contains a playground which includes equipment such as three play structures, swing sets, climbers, riding spring horse, four-hole ball shoot, slide, sandbox and benches.

- **South River Elementary**

The facilities and equipment provided at the school include a gymnasium, which contains two ½-court basketball courts and one regulation basketball court. The site also contains a recently renovated playground which includes equipment such as play structures, swing sets, climbers, balance beams, slides, benches and picnic tables.

- **Lobbestael Elementary**

The facilities and equipment provided at this school include a gymnasium, three ½-court basketball courts and one regulation basketball court and a hopscotch area. The site also contains a playground which includes equipment such as three play structures, swing sets, climbers, riding spring horses, slide and benches.

- **Yacks Elementary**

The facilities and equipment provided at this school include a gymnasium, three ½-court basketball courts and a baseball diamond. The site also contains a playground which includes equipment such as three play structures, swingsets, climbers, slide and benches.

- **L'Anse Creuse Middle School - Central**

The facilities and equipment provided at this school include a gymnasium, two baseball diamonds, one regulation and one practice soccer field and eight tennis courts.

- **L'Anse Creuse Middle School - South**

The facilities and equipment provided at this school include a gymnasium, four basketball courts, two baseball diamonds, football field and track.

- **L'Anse Creuse High School**

The facilities provided at this school include a swimming pool that is open to the public, a baseball diamond, a lighted football field, a soccer field and track.

Regional Facilities

There are a variety of regional parks inside and adjacent to Harrison Township that serve Township residents. The Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority (HCMA) operates more than one dozen regional recreation areas in southeast Michigan, with three in Macomb County, and Lake St. Clair Metropark in Harrison Township. In addition, there are several State Parks and one County Park that Township residents can access for recreation.

- **State of Michigan Parks**

Michigan State Parks provide a wide range of day use facilities. Common recreation opportunities available at these sites include hiking, swimming, fishing, boating, picnicking, camping, cross-country skiing and snowmobiling, among others. Algonac State Park, located approximately 20 miles from Harrison Township, provides many of these opportunities. The undeveloped W.C. Wetzel State Park, the only State park site in Macomb County, is also located near Harrison Township. This area may be used for hunting, hiking, snowmobiling and cross-country skiing. Eight recreation facilities operated by the State are located to the west in Oakland County and are reasonably accessible to Township residents.

- **Michigan Department of Natural Resources**

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) operates the Harley Ensign Boat Launch located on a peninsula of land extending into Lake St. Clair at the

mouth of the Clinton River. This site includes 18 boat launch sites, a large paved parking lot, dock master building and restrooms. The Selfridge Access Site and the Jefferson Access Site are two other boat launch sites that are operated by the MDNR. The Metropark boat launch site is a DNR site, but is operated by the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority. In addition, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) turned MDOT property at I-94 and N. River Road into an improved fishing hole. This conversion was completed with transportation enhancement grant funds.



MDNR Boat Launch Site on South River Road

- **Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority**

The Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority (HCMA) operates more than one dozen regional recreation areas in southeast Michigan, with three in Macomb County. These parks provide facilities for a wide range of recreational opportunities, which include picnicking, playgrounds, hiking, swimming, boating, fishing, golf, court games, cross-country skiing, ice-skating and sledding, among others.

- **Lake St Clair Metropark (HCMA)**

One of these HCMA park sites, Lake St. Clair Metropark, is located in Harrison Township along the Lake St. Clair shoreline. This park occupies approximately 770 acres of land. An extensive range of both active and passive recreation facilities are available at this site.

Swimming

Lake St. Clair Metropark has a 3,000-linear foot sand beach along Lake St. Clair. A bathhouse is also available, which includes dressing rooms, heated showers, and coin-operated lockers. Swimming is permitted from Me-

morial Day through Labor Day, but only when lifeguards are on duty. The park also includes an Olympic-sized swimming pool with diving boards and a water slide. The swimming pool area includes a play/spray station for children.

Marina/Boat Launching

Three marinas along Black Creek provide transient accommodations for 192 boats. Water, electricity, restrooms, showers and pump-out service is also available. Eight ramps located near the North Marina provide boaters with access to Lake St. Clair. A redesigned launching area for sailboats and sailboards is also available.

Nature Interpretation Area

The Marsh Nature Study Area provides visitors with a glimpse of the native wildlife, plants, and marshlands. This portion of the park includes a network of nature trails and an indoor activity center building. A naturalist is available to conduct guided walks on the three-quarter mile trail from April through October.

Picnic Areas

Several areas within the park have been designated for picnicking. These sites have tables, stoves, shelters, play equipment, drinking water and restrooms. Picnic areas are not reserved, and groups of fifty or more are requested to register in advance at the park office.

Winter Sports

Weather permitting, numerous recreation activities are available at Lake St. Clair Metropark during the winter months. For example, the park operates a cross-country ski touring center with five miles of marked ski trails. Rental equipment is also available. An ice skating rink, located near the food bar, has a warming center and is lighted at night. Ice hockey and ice fishing sites are available at the West Playfield and at the North Marina respectively.

Tot-Lot

Several play structures and other playground equipment are available at a central location within the park.

Court Games

Pickleball, tennis, shuffleboard, and basketball are available within the park.

Golf

Lake St. Clair Metropark includes one 18-hole, par 3 golf course with holes ranging in length from 43 to 101 yards, plus two 18-hole miniature golf courses.

Fitness Trail

A 20-station exercise trail is designed to provide a well-balanced routine and fun for all age groups. This fitness trail connects to the Freedom Trail.

Group Activity Center

Rental of this facility which includes tables, umbrellas and grills is available to groups by reservation only.

Other activities/facilities located at Lake St. Clair Metropark include a Spring and Fall sail and power boat show, craft shows, concerts, motorcycle shows, sailboard lessons, voyager canoe, trackless train, beach shop, and food service area.

• **Freedom Hill County Park**

This 100 acre site is located on the south side of Metropolitan Parkway in Sterling Heights, and is accessible by the multi-use Freedom Trail. The site has regularly scheduled festivals and a concert pavilion. The site also includes outdoor covered pavilions, military displays, playscape, and a nature trail.

Private Recreation Facilities

Private recreation providers also play a role in meeting the recreation needs of local residents. In many instances, these providers offer services and facilities of a more specialized nature that are infrequently provided by public sources. These facilities are generally available in exchange for an established fee. Examples of facilities that fall into this category include golf, bowling, roller skating rinks, racquet/health clubs, riding stables, movie theaters and shooting ranges, among others.

Private marinas, boat clubs, dockage facilities, boat storage and launches are the most significant private recreation facilities available in Harrison Township. More than a dozen private marinas are located in the Township, primarily along the Clinton River and Belvidere Bay. These marinas attract pleasure boat owners from throughout Southeast Michigan. The remaining private recreation facilities available within the Township consist of an indoor racquetball club with party/meeting facilities. The racquetball club site also includes bowling, wallyball, exercise equipment, adult softball diamonds and other indoor games.

Located at the northeast corner of Jefferson Avenue and Prentiss Street, a large, privately-owned property (known as the Callewaert property) is currently allowed to be utilized by the American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO) as soccer fields. Approximately 6 soccer fields of various sizes are located at the site.

Barrier-Free Status

With the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), all areas of public service and accommodation became subject to barrier-free requirements, including parks and recreation facilities and programs. To evaluate the status of the existing public parks and recreation facilities owned by Harrison Township, each was inventoried for their accessibility status (as defined by the MDNR) during a field survey conducted in August 2022. Each facility was given a rating of 1 to 5 with the following definitions:

1. None of the facilities/park areas meet guidelines
2. Some of the facilities/park areas meet guidelines
3. Most of the facilities/park areas meet guidelines
4. Entire park meets guidelines
5. Entire park was developed/renovated using principals of universal design.

Generally, the Township’s park facilities meet minimum ADA standards, as most facilities within the parks can be reached by persons who use a wheelchair or other mobility aid. However, convenient accessibility to park facilities by way of a hard-surfaced walkway (as opposed to natural surfacing) is not commonly found at the Township’s parks. In some cases, obstructions to accessibility are found.



Example of a barrier-free obstruction to the playscape at Tucker Park

Beyond the minimum ADA accessibility standards, inclusive park and park facility designs should be encouraged at all Township facilities. An inclusive playground, as an example, would provide a sensory-rich environment that meets a variety of needs and interests for children of all abilities.

Charter Township of Harrison Facility Accessibility Rating

Park Name	Accessibility Rating
Trombley Park	3
Waterfront Park	3
Tucker Park	3
Orville Aune Park	3
Emerick Road Park	3
Freedom Trail	4

Recreation Grants History

When preparing a Recreation Master Plan, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources requires that information be provided concerning grants that have been received in the past for acquisition or development of recreation facilities. Since 1996, Harrison Township has received three grants from the MDNR for acquiring land for the purpose of recreation use. The latest grant was awarded in 2018 for shoreline improvements at Waterfront Park. This project is currently under design. The prior two grant awards were withdrawn and the grant amounts were not used.

Charter Township of Harrison Past Recreation Grants (MDNR)

Park Title	Project Number	Scope Items	Current Condition
Tucker Park Expansion	TF96-112	Acquire 2.23 acres adjacent to Tucker Park to allow construction of a nature and fitness trail.	Project Withdrawn
Parkway Nature Preserve	TF03-015	Acquire 155 acres of wooded wetlands/wildlife for use as a nature preserve.	Project Withdrawn
Waterfront Park Shoreline Improvements	TF18-0061	Develop project to improve Waterfront Park. Improvements will include a new kayak launch, boardwalk, sidewalk, trees, shoreline plantings, site furnishings and educational exhibits. The removal and replacement of an existing seawall with a stone breakwater and marsh is also part of the improvements.	Active/Under Design

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Basis for Action

The Basis For Action is intended to continue to analyze various factors within and outside of Harrison Township that have an effect on the direction of recreation, and ultimately the capital improvements schedule over the next five years. This portion of the plan provides the rationale and framework for the goals, guidelines and recommended capital improvements based on an analysis and consideration of many elements including: current recreation trends, comparison of parks to acreage and facility standards, service area gaps, existing plans, demographic trends, and results of community and staff input. Because there are many factors that will ultimately determine needs, caution should be taken to not analyze each piece of information individually, but integrate them all to produce the “big picture”.

National Recreation Trends

Recreation trends occurring nationally may provide insight into activities that have shown the greatest growth in popularity. Organizations such as the National Sporting Goods Association (NSGA) and the Aspen Institute Project Play conduct national surveys that measure sports participation across the country.

According to the NSGA, based on a 2019 study¹, the following sports segments experienced growth rates over the past year (ranked by rate of growth):

- Fitness activities
- Outdoor activities
- Wheel sports
- Team sports
- Individual sports

1. NSGA Sports Participation Study Shows Growth in 2019. NSGA. Website accessed November 2021. <https://nationalsportsmedia.org/news/nsga-sports-participation-study-shows-growth-in-2019>

- Personal contact sports
- Snow sports

The indoor sports segment remained relatively flat, while declining sports segments included open water sports and shooting sports. Over the last 5 years, according to the NSGA, the fitness activities, open water sports, outdoor activities, and wheel sports segments have experienced increases over the last 5 years, while the individual sports and team sports segments have remained relatively flat. The remaining segments (indoor sports, shooting sports and snow sports) have experienced slight decreases over the last 5 years, but have seemingly flattened out in the most recent years.

The State of Play report from 2019, published by the Aspen Institute Project Play², provides insights into youth sports (ages 6-12) participation trends between 2008 and 2018 for the United States. According to the report, the most popular sports in 2018, in terms of total youth participation, were:

1. Bicycling (4.7 million participants)
2. Basketball (4.2 million)
3. Baseball (4.1 million)
4. Soccer (Outdoor) (2.2 million)
5. Golf (1.4 million)

Over the past ten years, the sports that saw the highest percentage increase in youth participation were:

1. Lacrosse (150.0% growth)
2. Ice hockey (120.0%)
3. Gymnastics (47.8%)
4. Cheerleading (44.4%)
5. Softball (Fast-Pitch) (20.0%)

Conversely, the sports that saw the greatest decline in youth participation were:

1. Bicycling (-43.3% decline)
2. Wrestling (-36.4%)
3. Field hockey (-33.3%)
4. Soccer (Outdoor) (-28.8%)
5. Flag Football (-26.7%)

2. State of Play: Trends and Developments in Youth Sports. The Aspen Institute Project Play. 2019.

Published Planning Standards

In the process of determining and prioritizing needs, it is not only important to understand the national trends in terms of participation levels and popularity, but it is also important to compare the provision of local recreation facilities to published standards. This comparison of existing facilities to standard acreage and facility recommendations is another tool to help identify needs within Harrison Township.

Acreage Standards

The National Recreation and Park Association provides a recommended park classification system that recognizes standards for park service provision. The system categorizes parks as either mini-parks, neighborhood parks or community parks. The desirable characteristics relative to size, function, amenities and acreage provisions per 1,000 people are identified in the table on the next page.

These acreage standards have been applied to the existing park acreage in the Township to begin to determine any needs in terms of land acquisition. For purposes of this analysis, the acreage standards are applied to the 2020 population for the Township, according to the U.S. Census Bureau, which is 24,314.

Community Park Acreage and Service Area

The 28 acre Tucker Park is designated a community park (the Township's only community park). This is slightly smaller than the NRPA size criteria for a community park, but essentially functions in the same manner. The NRPA standard for community park land stipulates a standard of 5.0 to 8.0 acres per 1,000 people. Based on the Township's 2020 population of 24,314, the NRPA standard would require between 120 and 192 acres of community parkland. Harrison Township is deficient in the amount of community parks. However, it is worth noting that the 770-acre Lake St. Clair Metropark is located within Harrison Township and serves the recreation needs of many residents.

According to the NRPA standard, community parks have an approximately 3-mile radius service area. Applying this service area radius to Tucker Park, the northern section of the Township and northeast shoreline along Lake St. Clair are not within 3 miles of Tucker Park (see **Map 3: Park Service Areas**).

Recreation Classification System

(National Recreation and Park Association)

	General Description	Location Criteria	Size Criteria	Acres/1,000 Population
Mini-Park	Used to address limited, isolated or unique recreational needs.	Less than a 1/4 mile distance in residential setting.	Between 2500 sq. ft. and one acre in size.	0.25 to 0.5A
Neighborhood Park	Remains the basic unit of the park system and serves as the recreational and social focus of the neighborhood. Focus is on informal active and passive recreation.	1/4 to 1/2 mile distance and uninterrupted by non-residential roads & physical barriers	5 acres is considered min. size. 5 to 10 acres is optimal.	1.0 to 2.0A
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.	Determined by the quality and suitability of the site. Usually serves two or more neighborhoods and 1/2 to 3 mile distance.	As needed to accommodate desired uses. Between 30 and 50 acres.	5.0 to 8.0A

Neighborhood Park Acreage and Service Area

Waterfront Park and Trombley Park are both designated as neighborhood parks within Harrison Township. Both parks are smaller than the typical neighborhood park size of five acres or more, but they provide comparable amenities.

Neighborhood parks have a standard of 1.0 to 2.0 acres per 1,000 people. When applied to the Township's 2020 population of 24,314, the NRPA standard would require between 24 and 48 acres of neighborhood parkland. With a total of 8 acres existing, the Township is deficient in the amount of neighborhood parkland. However, it is worth noting that there are a number of school parks located throughout the Township, which may serve the same function as neighborhood parks.

According to the NRPA standard, neighborhood parks have an approximately 1/2 mile service area. Community parks also function as neighborhood parks to residents with a 1/2 mile. Applying this service area radius to Waterfront Park, Trombley Park and Tucker Park reveals service area gaps throughout a significant percentage of the Township, particularly in the central and eastern portions of the Township (see **Map 3**).

Harrison Township Classified Recreation Facilities

Mini-Parks	
Orville Aune Park	1.0 acres
Emerick Road Park	0.4 acres
Neighborhood Parks	
Trombley Park	4.0 acres
Waterfront Park	4.0 acres
Community Parks	
Tucker Park	28.0 acres

Mini-Park Acreage and Service Area

Orville Aune Park and Emerick Road Park are both classified as mini-parks. The NRPA recommends 0.25 to 0.5 acres of mini-park land per 1,000 people. For a total population of 24,314, the NRPA standard would require between 6 and 12 acres of mini-park land. With two mini-parks totaling only 1.4 acres of land, Harrison Township is deficient in the amount of mini-park land.

According to the NRPA standard, mini-parks have an approximately 1/4 mile service area. Community parks and neighborhood parks also function as mini parks to residents with a 1/4 mile. Applying the 1/4 mile service area radius to the Township’s parks reveals numerous service area gaps for mini-park land (see **Map 3**).

Facility Standards

The NRPA has also published typical recreation facility standards that specify facility service areas, the number of facilities needed to service the population as well as the land area needed. These standards can be used in conjunction with the acreage standards to continue to further identify

Harrison Township’s recreation needs. Data in the facility deficiencies table compares the existing community recreation facilities to the NRPA published standards.

By comparing the Township facilities against published standards, there are a number of facility deficiencies within the Township. It must be noted, though, that the published standards are minimums and are somewhat dated. The largest deficiencies are 12 tennis courts, 3 volleyball courts, and 3 basketball courts. Township facilities also lack a football field, a swimming pool, and an additional soccer field. It should be taken into account that many Township residents are able to use facilities on public school district properties. However, availability of these school facilities is never guaranteed.

Recreation Facility Deficiencies
Based on 2020 Population*

Facility	Standard/ Population	Total/ Standard	Existing	Deficiency
Basketball Court	1 per 5,000	4	1	3
Ice Hockey	1 per 100,000	0	0	0
Tennis Court	1 per 2,000	12	0 ^a	12
Volleyball Court	1 per 5,000	4	1	3
Baseball	1 per 5,000	4	4	0
Football Field	1 per 20,000	1	0 ^b	1
Soccer Field	1 per 10,000	2	0	2
Swimming Pool	1 per 20,000	1	0 ^c	1

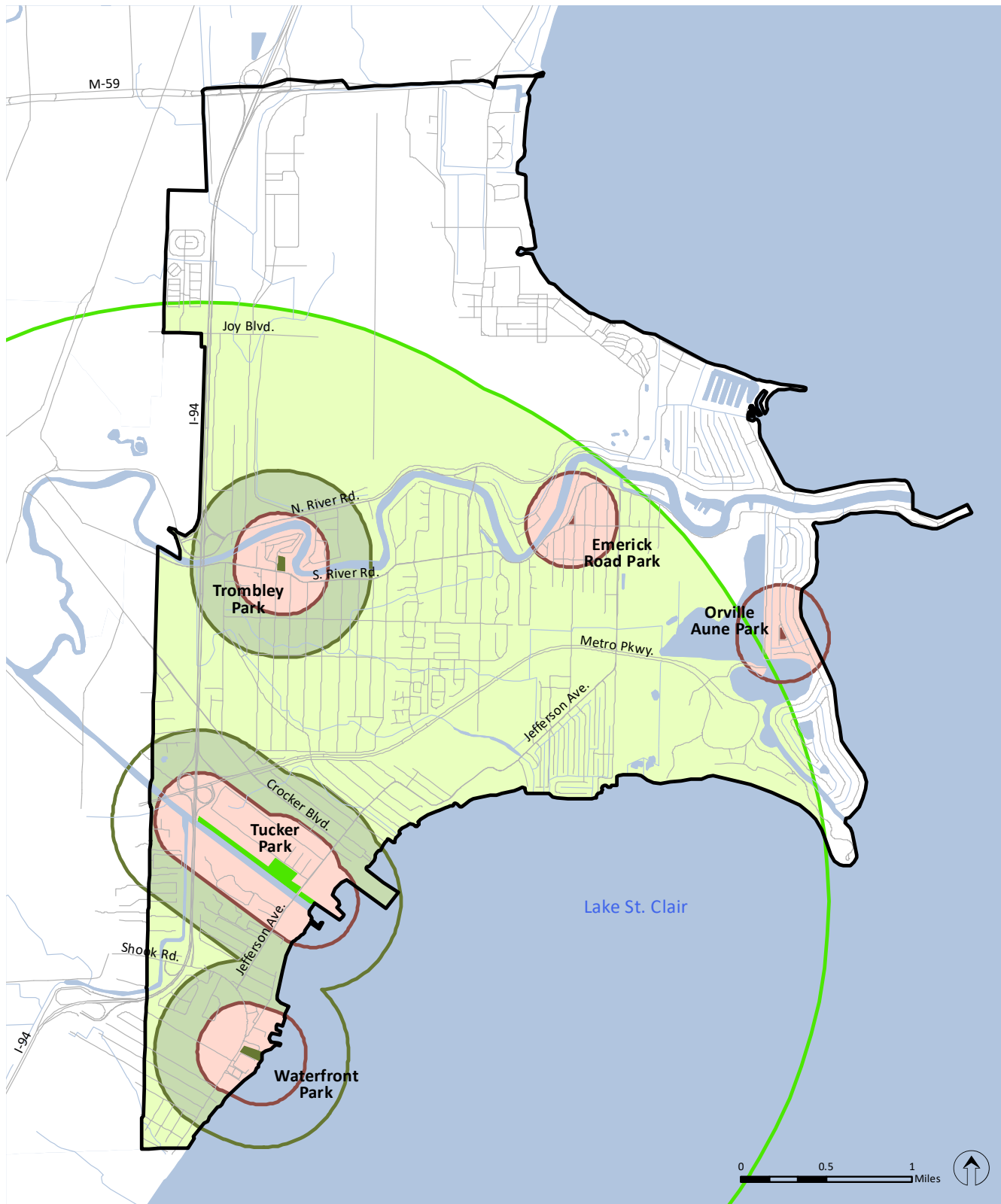
Source: Harrison Township Inventory August 2022

^aEight tennis courts are located on public school district property at L’Anse Creuse Middle School
^bA football field is located on public school district property at L’Anse Creuse High School
^cA swimming pool is located on public school district property at L’Anse Creuse High School
* 2020 U.S. Census: 24,314

Recreation Facility Standards

Activity/Facility	Minimum Space Requirements	Units per Population	Service Radius	Location Notes
Basketball Court (Outdoor)	2,400 - 3,036 sq. ft. (youth); 5,040 - 7,280 sq. ft. (high school)	1 per 5,000	1/4 to 1/2 mile	Outdoor courts in neighborhoods and community parks, plus active recreation areas in other park settings.
Ice Hockey	22,000 sq. ft.	1 per 5,000	1/2 hour to 1 hour travel time	Climate important consideration including travel time affecting number of units.
Tennis Court	7,200 sq. ft./court; 2 acres/complex	1 per 2,000	1/4 to 1/2 mile	Best in batteries of 2-4, located in neighborhood community park or adjacent to school site.
Volleyball Court (Outdoor)	4,000 sq. ft.	1 per 5,000	1/4 to 1/2 mile	Outdoor courts in neighborhoods and community parks, plus active recreation areas in other park settings.
Ballfields <i>Baseball</i> <i>Little League</i> <i>Softball</i>	3 to 3.85 acres 1.2 acres 1.5 to 2 acres	1 per 5,000; 1 lighted field per 30,000	1/4 to 1/2 mile	Part of neighborhood complex; lighted fields part of community complex; softball fields may also be used for youth baseball.
Football Field	1.5 acres	1 per 20,000	15 to 30 minutes travel time	Usually part of baseball, football, soccer complex in community park or adjacent to high school.
Soccer Field	1.7 to 2.1 acres	1 per 10,000	1 to 2 miles	Number of units depends on popularity; youth soccer on smaller fields adjacent to schools or neighborhood parks.
Swimming Pool	1.5 to 2 acres	1 per 20,000	15 to 30 minutes travel time	Located in community park or school site.

Source: Data from Roger A. Lancaster, Ed., Recreation, Park and Open Space Standards and Guidelines , Alexandria, Virginia: National Recreation and Park Association, 1983, pages 60-61



MAP 3 Park Service Areas

Harrison Township Recreation Master Plan 2023-2027

Township Park Type

- Mini Park
- Neighborhood Park
- Community Park

Service Areas

- 1/4 mile Mini Parks service area. Neighborhood parks and community parks also function as mini parks to residents within a 1/4 mile radius
- 1/2 mile Neighborhood Parks service area. Community parks also function as neighborhood Parks to residents within a 1/2 mile radius
- 3 mile Community Parks service area.

Base Data

- Township Boundary
- Bodies of Water
- Streets



Existing Planning Efforts

It is important to understand the recreation-related planning efforts that are happening in and around Harrison Township to be able to coordinate efforts outlined in the capital improvements schedule. These efforts have been summarized on the following pages

Southeast Michigan Greenways Initiative

Over the past decade, the cities, counties, neighborhoods and community groups of southeastern Michigan have come together in unprecedented ways to create a network of greenways serving the region and its communities. These non-motorized routes are linking neighborhoods to schools, communities to cultural centers, and people to people. The benefits include new opportunities for recreation, fitness, economic development and neighborhood enhancement. In 2006, the seven-county region that makes up Southeast Michigan got together to develop an updated Southeast Michigan Greenways Plan with assistance from the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan. Counties worked together and with local municipalities and interested stakeholders to develop a long-term vision for a connected system of greenways and non-motorized trails. Relevant to Harrison Township, the need for trail beautification and a pedestrian bridge to cross the Clinton River Spillway has been identified.

Clinton River Watershed Council - WaterTowns Green Infrastructure Vision

WaterTowns is an initiative of the Clinton River Watershed Council to support community development by promoting the area's water resource assets, including the Clinton River and Lake St. Clair. The project studies green infrastructure opportunities for 28 WaterTowns communities, including Harrison Township. Green infrastructure aims to protect water resources by implementing water management strategies that mimic the natural water cycle. Harrison Township is currently part of two plans: the Clinton River East Subwatershed Plan, which aims to promote and enhance recreational opportunities in the subwatershed; and, the Lake St. Clair Subwatershed Plan, which proposes improvements to Tucker Park.

Macomb County Parks and Natural Resources Master Plan
Macomb County completed a Parks and Natural Resources Master Plan in June 2019. The purpose of the plan is to

guide recreation and planning efforts in the region and meet necessary MDNR standards for eligibility for grant programs. The Master Plan includes an overall description of the County and overview of the administrative structure and financing for the department, an inventory of County Parks, a summary of public input, goals and objectives, as well as an action program and implementation strategies.

Pertaining to parks in Harrison Township, the Macomb County Parks and Natural Resources Plan recommended investments to the County's parks and natural resources amenities, including sections within the Township. These investments included, but are not limited to: improving park access for individuals with disabilities and mobility issues; cultivate rural nature and interpretive trails; and, enhance maintenance and amenities.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan for Southeast Michigan (SEMCOG)

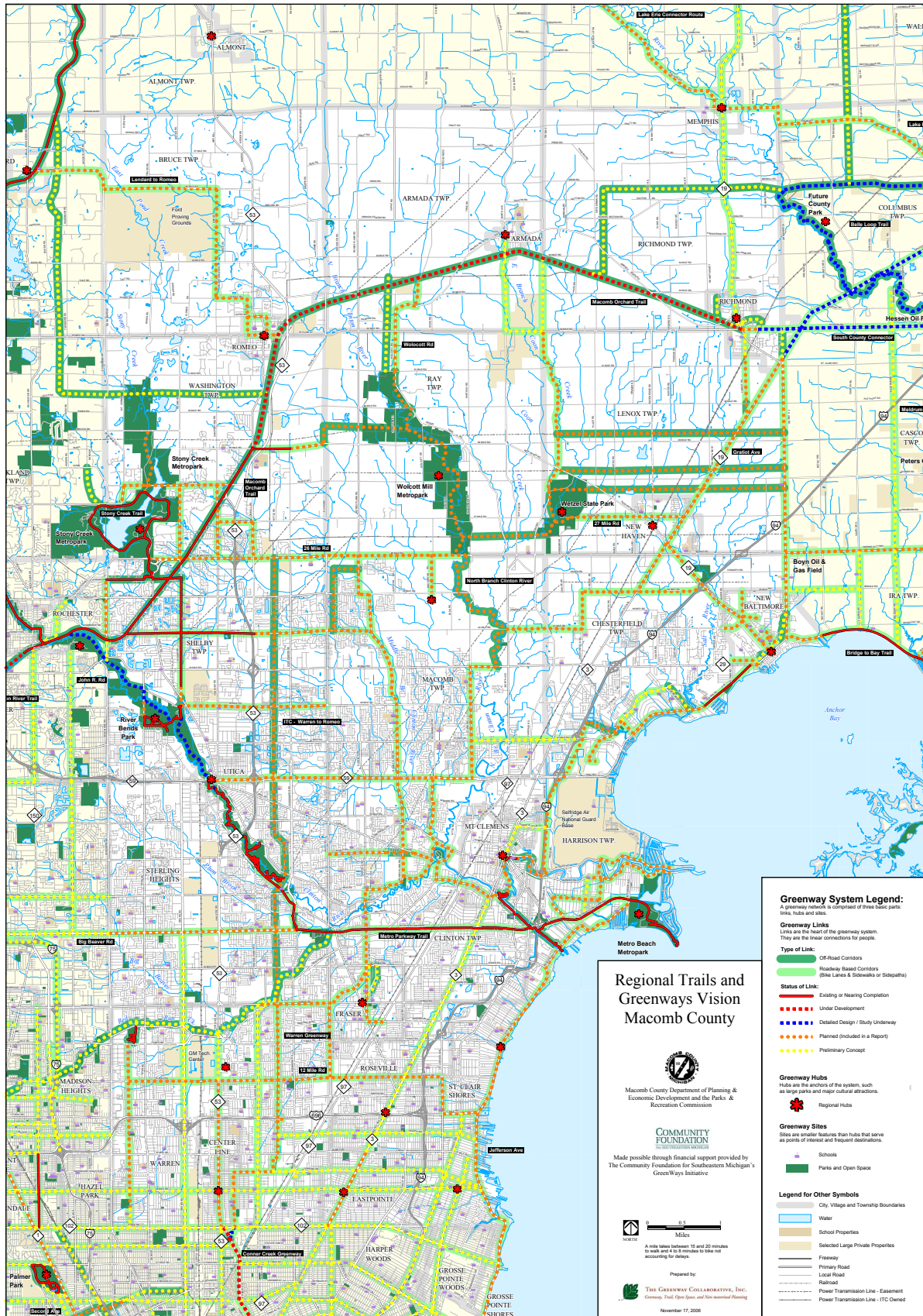
A Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan for SEMCOG and the Michigan Department of Transportation Metro Region was completed in 2020. The plan provides a framework for promoting bicycle and pedestrian travel through 7 regional priorities and over 30 actions. The project includes maps of existing and planned facilities and corridors. The Regional Non-motorized Corridors and Gaps in Macomb County Map highlights several priorities within Harrison Township, including a Northern Jefferson Corridor that would connect Metropolitan Parkway to County Line Road.

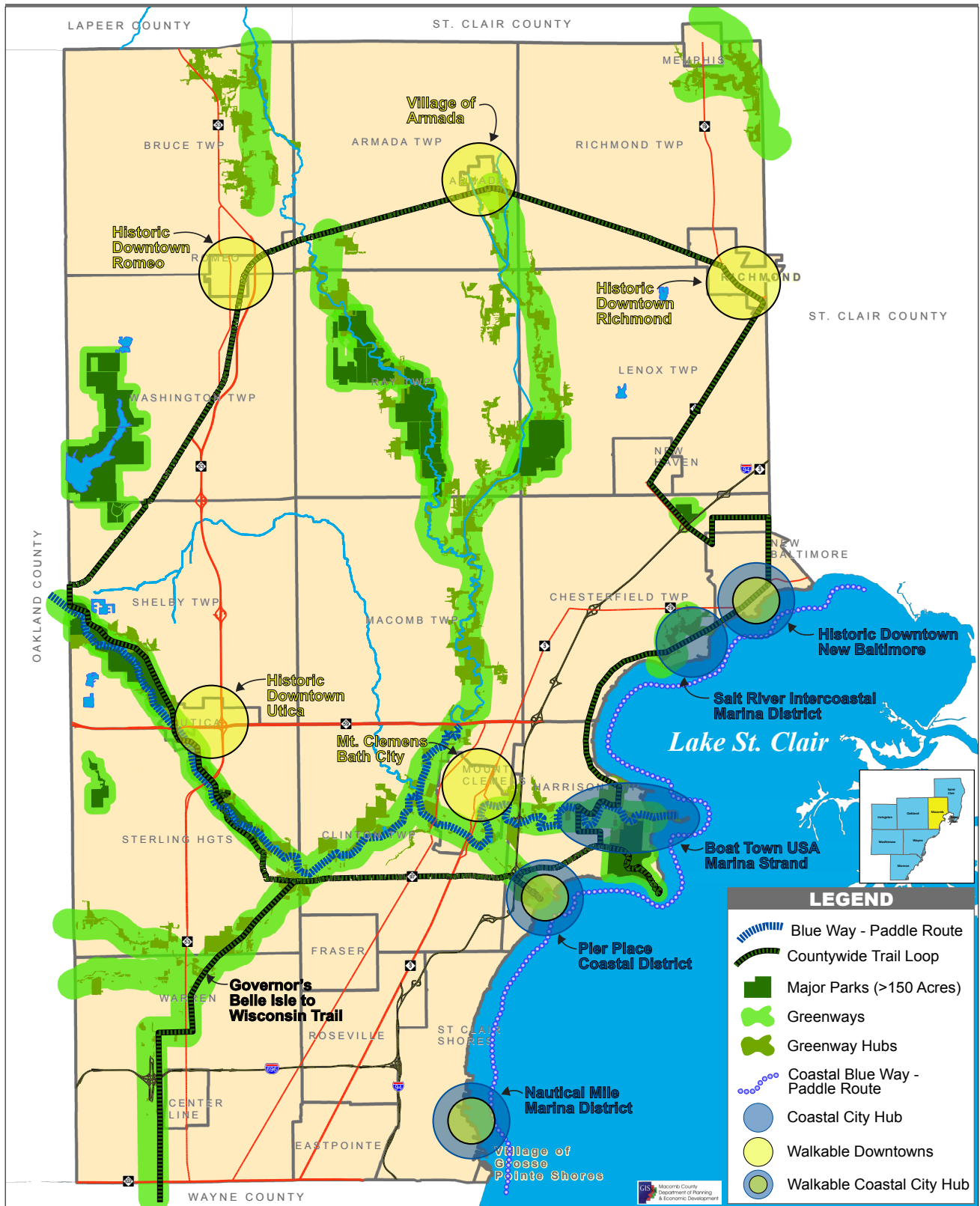
Lake St. Clair Tourism Initiative

The Lake St. Clair Tourism Initiative is a public/private, non-profit association created to increase awareness, protect and develop the rich and diverse assets on and around this fresh water community. The focus of the Initiative is to educate new and existing visitors, advocate for businesses, and develop a long term vision for the sustainable development of Lake St. Clair and its assets.

The Lake St Clair Circle Tour is a key component of the initiative. The Circle Tour is a signed road route encircling the entire lake and extending through Wayne, Macomb and St Clair counties within Michigan as well as the province of Ontario, Canada. A map/brochure has been published which highlights the Top 99 destinations and attractions along the route. Several of these destinations and attractions

Southeast Michigan Greenways Plan
 Regional Trails & Greenways Vision for Macomb County





are within the Township including Wilson Marine, Beacon Cove Marina, Terry's Terrace and Luigi's Original Restaurant. Signage and navigation are components of Complete Streets and the Tour Lake St. Clair campaign which should be considered when undertaking transportation improvements within the Township.

Mobilize Macomb

Mobilize Macomb is an ongoing County-wide non-motorized transportation plan. The mission of Mobilize Macomb is to make the County's streets, trails and pathways friendly places for pedestrians and bicyclists of all ages and abilities. The project collected information from Macomb County residents and stakeholders on how to build connections, identify gaps, and prioritize links. One of the prioritized links of the plan is a Shoreline Trail that connects St. Clair Shores to the Freedom Trail and Lake St. Clair Metropark via Jefferson Avenue. The recommended treatment is a wide sidewalk or shared-use path that would extend along Lake St. Clair.

Clinton River Spillway Vision

In 2022, numerous governmental partners collaborated to create a vision for the Clinton River Spillway. The project was spearheaded by Macomb County Planning and Economic Development and was funded in part through a multi-jurisdictional planning grant from SEMCOG. Harrison Township was one of the local government partners while county and regional partners included Macomb County, the Clinton River Watershed Council, Huron-Clinton Metroparks and SEMCOG.

The goal of the project was to develop a long-term vision for the Clinton River Spillway and adjacent public property that ensures the integrity of the Spillway is maintained in order to provide **flood control** while seeking opportunities to address **social equity** and **quality of life, improve water quality and habitat**, and **increase public use and enjoyment**. The vision plan is intended to serve as a guide and tool for the various agencies to continue to move forward on improvements to the Spillway property in a coordinated manner.

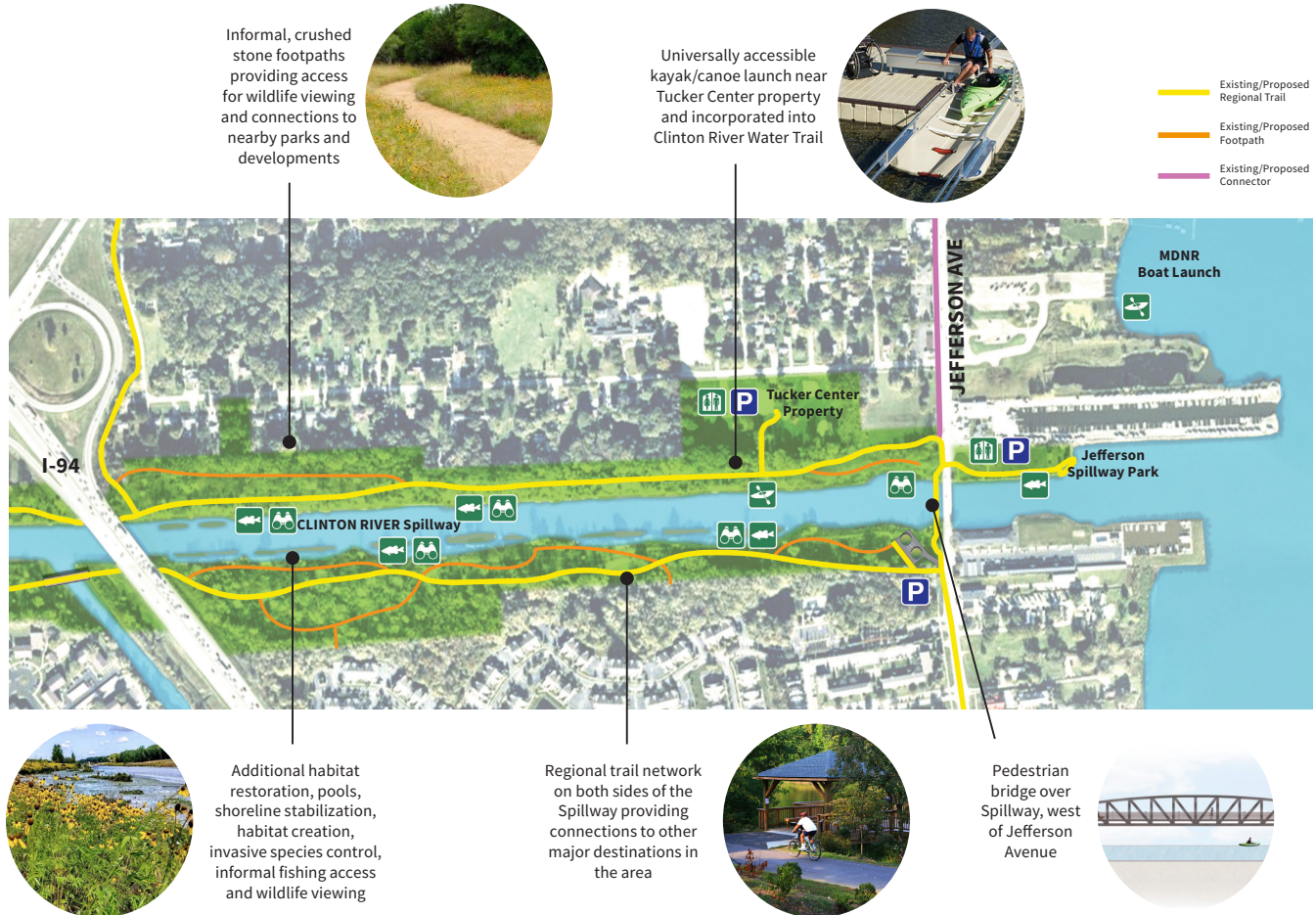
The last leg of the Clinton River Spillway before it enters Lake St. Clair, which is approximately 1 mile in length, is located within Harrison Township. The Clinton River Spillway Vision recommends a number of near-term and longer-term priorities for Harrison Township to focus on and advance in cooperation with the Clinton River Spillway partners. These priorities are as follows:

1. Incorporate the Spillway Vision into Harrison Township plans and documents and share the Vision with other Harrison Township staff, Boards, and Commissions.
2. Actively participate in a Joint Advisory Committee to coordinate and advance discussions related to improvements, operations, management, maintenance and programming along the Spillway.
3. Rebuild the existing Spillway Trail as it is aging and in poor condition. Include improvements at the Jefferson Avenue crossing to prioritize the safety of pedestrians and bicyclists using the Spillway Trail system.
4. Secure funding to construct a pedestrian bridge over the Spillway just west of Jefferson Avenue as part of the Great Lakes Way and Spillway Trail system.
5. Coordinate with Macomb County, Clinton Township, and Mt. Clemens to develop and install wayfinding signage to existing facilities.
6. Secure funding to improve access to the water while protecting the shoreline and add a restroom to the Jefferson Spillway Park/Pier.
7. Work with the Joint Advisory Committee to incorporate a universally accessible canoe/kayak launch along the Spillway in proximity to the Tucker Senior Center property.
8. Establish the Tucker Center property as a primary gathering space and access point along the Spillway.
9. Support the Spillway Drainage Board and Macomb County in future efforts to incorporate additional habitat restoration and creation projects along both the north and south sides of the Spillway.
10. In joint efforts with other Spillway stakeholders, seek funding to design and construct additional trails, footpaths, and connections on both the north and south sides of the Spillway including the potential for a bridge over the Roseville-Clinton-Harrison Relief Drain, a small parking area near Jefferson Avenue, as well as informal fishing areas, wildlife viewing, and places of respite.

Harrison Township supports the vision outlined in the Clinton River Spillway plan and hereby endorses the recommended priorities. These Clinton River Spillway priorities for Harrison Township are visually illustrated on the graphic below.



HARRISON TOWNSHIP | Clinton River Spillway Vision



Harrison Township Complete Streets Design Plan

Developed by the Township’s Downtown Development Authority (DDA), the Harrison Township Complete Streets Design Plan was completed in 2017 and was used to prioritize funding for improving shared use paths, bike lanes, and pedestrian bridges in Harrison Township.

Harrison Township Waterfront Redevelopment Plan

In 2015, Harrison Township developed and adopted a Waterfront Redevelopment Plan as a strategic action plan for improvements along the Lake St. Clair waterfront. One of the proposed improvements presented was enhancing the DNR Boat Launch site with a boardwalk, fishing dock, fish cleaning station, fish hatchery, canoe/kayak launch, public parking, and wetland enhancements. The report also supported multi-use trail extensions of the Clinton River Trail and Freedom Trail.

Public Input - Online Recreation Opinion Survey

The Township conducted an online citizen survey as part of their outreach efforts to provide a snapshot of where Harrison Township is today in terms of public perception of recreation facilities provided by the Township. The survey opened October 5, 2022 and remained active through November 14, 2022. The Township received 218 online responses. The following summary details responses from participants. The full survey results are included in **Appendix A**.

Respondent Profile

Of the 218 total survey respondents, 95% said they were current residents of Harrison Township. 49% said they have lived within the Township over 20 years. The survey asked participants where they lived within the Township, breaking answer options into 4 categories: north of the Clinton River (7%), between the Clinton River and 16 Mile Road (56%), between 16 Mile Road and the Spillway (21%), south of the Spillway (12%), and not a resident of the Township. The most common age range of participants was 45 to 64 years old (49%). The second most common was 65 and older (28%), followed by 30 to 44 years old (20%). The remaining 3% of participants were 29 years or younger.



Current Status of Recreation

When asked how aware they are of the recreational facilities and programs maintained by the Township, 9% said they were not aware at all. The remaining responses were very aware (10%), moderately aware (42%), or slightly aware (39%). 70% of respondents think more programs, activities, and facilities are needed. More family events and youth programs were some of the most common answers when participants were asked to list any ideas they had for recreation programs and special events.

Thinking about the amount of parkland within the Township, 38% said somewhat more parkland is needed and 35% said enough is available now. 43% said they'd like to see more parkland between the Clinton River and 16 Mile Road. This group of answers has a similar skew to when participants were asked what section of the Township they live, indicating most people would like to see more parkland closer to their home.

Most respondents said they believe Harrison Township's recreational programs and facilities are somewhat worse than neighboring cities/townships (40%). Moreover, 38% said somewhat more funding is needed. 20% said they felt the Township's facilities were about the same as neighboring cities/townships, the second most common answer.

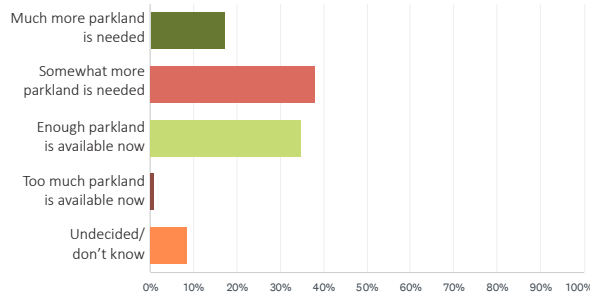
Accessibility

58% agreed or strongly agreed it is safe and convenient for them to access the nearest Township park by walking or biking from their home. 65% agreed or strongly agreed it is safe and convenient to access the nearest non-motorized pathway by walking or biking from their home. 68% said they most commonly use cars to get to these facilities. Only 29% said they walk or bike more often. When asked what the most common barriers they faced trying to access Township parks facilities, the most common written answer was a lack of sidewalks.

Participants were asked to indicate if they or any members in their household had disabilities for the purpose of improving park accessibility. Only 7% indicated yes. Of those respondents, the most common answer was physical disability (79%).

Q8 Thinking about the amount of parkland in Harrison Township, do you believe that overall...

Answered: 186 Skipped: 32



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Much more parkland is needed	17.20% 32
Somewhat more parkland is needed	38.17% 71
Enough parkland is available now	34.95% 65
Too much parkland is available now	1.08% 2
Undecided/Don't Know	8.60% 16
TOTAL	186

Recreation Facility Needs

Participants were given a list of recreational facilities such as amphitheatres, cross country ski trails, playgrounds, and volleyball courts. They were asked to go through the list and mark each facility with one of three answers: need more, have enough, or undecided. The three most common answers where respondents felt there should be more of a subject facility was nature areas (62%), canoe/kayak launches (57%), and hiking/walking trails (57%). The top three most common answers where respondents felt there was enough of the subject facility was golf courses (58%), football fields (53%), and tennis courts (52%). To follow, participants were asked if there were any recreational facilities not listed that they would be interested in. The most common write-in answer was a swimming pool.

baseball diamonds or basketball courts. There is a notable desire for more passive recreational amenities, such as canoe/kayak launches, hiking/walking trails, nature areas, and shared use paths.

Public Hearing

After a complete draft plan was prepared and made available for public review, the Harrison Township Board held a public hearing on January 23, 2023. No public comments were offered during the hearing.

Conclusion

Results from the survey were generally positive. Most participants felt the current facilities met most of the Township's needs, but had room for improvement. Based on survey responses, providing more non-motorized connectivity through the Township is a future need. Many respondents only felt comfortable traveling by car. Improving existing and developing new non-motorized facilities closer to where residents live would address this need. Respondents do not seem to want more conventional recreation facilities like

Community Demographics

The socioeconomic characteristics of a community play a role in the demand for certain types of recreation facilities. By examining socioeconomic characteristics such as population, density, age, and household size, municipalities can identify trends and opportunities that may influence future land use and recreation decisions and/or policy choices. For example, if the elementary school enrollment in a particular area is growing, there may be a need to plan for more playgrounds and children’s programs. Conversely, if the population of the community is aging, more recreational facilities may be needed for senior citizens. This section provides a brief summary of the socioeconomic characteristics of Harrison Township that may influence parks and recreation planning decisions.

Population Trends and Projections

Township population trends between 1980 and 2020 exhibit modest population growth in Harrison Township. The total growth rate over the 40-year span was 3.5%. Between 2020 and 2040, the population is forecasted to grow at a higher rate of 14.0%, reaching a total population of 28,283. This forecasted growth indicates a general need for additional recreation facilities and programs to serve a growing population.

Age Distribution

The median age in Harrison Township in 2020 was 46.6 years. When compared with the 2020 Macomb County median age of 41.0 years, Harrison Township has a notably older population.

In 2020, 19.5% of households in Harrison Township included one or more people age 18 or younger. This is a decline from 25.0% in 2015, according to the American Community Survey and suggests that the number of children in the Township is decreasing. In comparison, 44.0% of households in 2020 included one or more people age 60 or older. This is a 6.9% increase from 2015, when 37.1% of Township households included at least one person over the age of 60. The population of Harrison Township is aging and older adults have specific recreation needs that should be accounted for when planning for the future.

Harrison Township Population Trends and Projections

Year	Population
1980	23,464
1990	24,685
2000	24,461
2010	24,587
2020	24,314
2030 Forecast	27,662
2040 Forecast	28,283

Source: SEMCOG



Action Program

The Action Program details the direction that the Township wishes to take over the next five years in order to improve the quality and diversity of recreation opportunities within the community. This includes the establishment of policies, goals and objectives to direct recreation operation as well as capital improvements to implement the master plan. Factors considered for this recreation planning program are: 1) expected demand and need for future recreational activities; 2) results of the public engagement efforts; 3) regional plans and initiatives; 4) needs identified and observed by the Township Board, Township Recreation Committee, Township staff and the general public; and, 5) funding sources and availability.

Before a specific program of recreation improvements can be prepared, general goals and objectives need to be established. These goals and objectives, along with the Township's recreation policies, are intended to guide the overall recreation program over the next five years and beyond.

Recreation Policies

1. Parks and recreation programs shall provide for all persons; children, youth, adults and the elderly, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, sexual preference, national origin, age or disability.
2. Opportunities and programs for recreation shall be available twelve months of the year.
3. The programs of parks and recreation shall be planned to meet the interests and needs of families, groups and individuals.

4. Community planning for leisure and education requires cooperative action of public and voluntary agencies, including civic, patriotic, religious, social and other groups which have park and recreation interests and resources.
5. School facilities should serve, to the extent possible, the educational and recreational needs of pupils and be planned so that they will be efficient centers for community use.
6. Both public and private recreation services, actual and potential, shall be reviewed and evaluated periodically in terms of their contributions toward enriching each person's life and the community at large.
7. A parks and recreation plan for the community will result in the fullest use of its resources and be integrated with long-range planning for the benefit of the entire community.
8. Wherever possible, federal, state and local agencies should coordinate their plans and programs for the acquisition, development and use of recreation facilities.
9. Public park and recreation facilities shall be planned on the neighborhood and community park basis to provide the maximum opportunities and services for all age groups, while encouraging private facilities to integrate into the public plan.
10. The Township Board and Recreation Committee shall cooperate in long-range planning for the acquisition, development and use of park and recreation facilities.
11. All facilities shall be planned and constructed with respect to preserving the natural environment, including the placement of future on-site utilities underground.
12. Lake St. Clair and the Clinton River, the Township's two natural waterways, and ancillary canals, wetlands, floodways and floodplains shall be utilized to the maximum extent possible in providing recreational facilities and open space areas for the area residents. The Township should also explore the possibility of utilizing the many existing boat launches in the community for recreational purposes.
13. Lake St Clair Metropark and Selfridge Air National Guard Base encompass approximately one (1) square mile and five (5) square miles, respectively, of area within the Township of Harrison. The natural resources and opportunities within these two land masses should be explored for recreation use by the public.

Recreation Goals and Objectives

In the broadest sense, a recreation plan should offer the community a series of guidelines or recommendations for making consistent and rational public decisions regarding the delivery of recreation programs and facilities. Goals and objectives, in the context of recreation planning, should be the guiding influence in determining the nature and extent of future park acquisition, development, administrative and programming actions. They should be idealistic to the extent that they provide a desirable condition to strive towards. However, in order to be reasonably capable of being achieved, the goals must be tempered by the recognition of financial, social, physical and political realities. Successful policy should further recognize the evaluation of the community's recreation system and the relationship of this system to relevant demographic characteristics.

Goals and objectives offer policy direction and the framework for recreation providers. The following reflects Harrison Township's long and short-term recreation needs. Specific methods for achieving these goals are described in the following section.

Goal: Provide Recreational Experiences

Through programmed and self facilitated recreation, a variety of benefits to individuals and society are achieved. Recreational experiences also are important as an end in themselves for personal enjoyment.

- Review current park facilities to national standards to determine whether sufficient active and passive recreation facilities are being provided.
- Identify park sites where additional active recreation facilities can be accommodated.
- Monitor sites which become available for potential expansion of baseball, softball, and soccer fields.
- Enhance the aesthetic appearance of existing parks and facilities with landscaping and other design amenities.
- Examine the feasibility of a dog park or skate park.

Goal: Foster Human Development

Parks and recreation services foster social, intellectual, physical and emotional development of children, youth and adults.

- Continue to develop programs such as cooking, dance, culinary arts, life skills, business skills, home maintenance, youth craft activities, senior activities, etc.
- Develop a continuous survey to monitor interest in new programs.
- Continue to work with the school district in providing necessary recreational and educational opportunities for the community. Wherever possible, school play yards and playgrounds shall also function as important recreation facilities to their neighborhoods. Indoor facilities, such as gymnasiums, shall also be utilized for general recreation programs and activities.
- Develop gazebos on properties within the Township to be rented for weddings and other such occasions.
- Establish a youth mentoring program.

Goal: Strengthen Community Image and Sense of Place

Parks and Recreation facilities, programs and community events are key factors in strengthening community image and creating a sense of place.

- Explore the idea of developing a boating museum in conjunction with marinas and the Chamber of Commerce, etc.
- Develop a means of highlighting different park sites and programs within a recreation newsletter or brochure.
- Continue cooperation between various agencies, public and private, in Harrison Township and neighboring communities regarding the provision of recreational facilities and programs.
- Continue to work with sports boosters in maintaining and expanding recreational opportunities in the community.
- Continue to work with surrounding communities in providing cooperative recreation programs, facilities and literature.
- Continue to maintain reduced rate passes for Township residents to utilize Lake St Clair Metropark. Also, explore the possibility of using the Metropark for Township activities and programs (tall ship event).
- Work with Selfridge Air National Guard (SANG) to examine the possibility of using SANG owned land to provide additional recreational opportunities within the community.
- Examine the possibility of establishing cooperative programs with private recreation facilities.

- Develop a unifying theme for the park system that is unique to Harrison Township.
- Utilize a variety of means, including social media, the Township website, and the cable access channel, for the promotion of recreation amenities and events.
- Support the efforts of the Harrison Township Downtown Development Authority (DDA) to create a vibrant waterfront district, which is planned to include enhanced civic and open spaces and waterfront access.

Goal: Support/Explore Creative Economic Financing & Development

Recreation programs and facilities attract and retain businesses and residents, as well as attract tourists. Parks and recreation provides jobs and generates income for the community and for local businesses.

- Work with other organizations within the Harrison area to promote car shows, boat shows, festivals and the like. Provide advertising space within a newsletter, website, park locations, or at sports fields.
- Encourage the formation of a non-profit organization and/or volunteer groups to raise money for Township recreation, such as through fund-raising events.
- Seek financing, sponsorship and resources through industry, businesses and individuals, as well as service organizations and others.
- Establish and promote programs such as adopt-a-park, adopt-a-tree and adopt-a-bench.
- Utilize self-funding programs.

Goal: Strengthen Safety and Security

Park and recreation professionals provide safe environments for recreation and design programs and services specifically to reduce criminal activity.

- Ensure police monitoring of each park.
- Implement park safety improvements, such as lighting, locking gates, security cameras, emergency call boxes, and park attendants, at Township parks and along trail systems.
- Develop a parks patrol system of volunteers that can provide a community watch forum.
- Provide programs in conjunction with the Police to educate residents on safety issues.
- Work with the County to provide a unified trailway signage system which clearly denotes trail access points, parking, highlights, etc.

Goal: Promote Quality Township Governance of Parks and Recreation Facilities

The administration and maintenance of a parks and recreation system requires a firm commitment from the Township and its residents.

- Establish a cost effective method for recreation facility repairs.
- Maintain a Parks Advisory Committee to assist the Township Board in decision-making related to parks and recreation.
- Establish volunteer programs to assist Township staff/Parks Committee/Township Board with the administration of activities and programs.
- Continue to encourage civic and other types of service groups to help develop, maintain, and/or renovate parks and recreational opportunities.
- Consider hiring a full or part-time employees to help administer programming.

Goal: Facilitate Community Problem Solving

Park and recreation professionals have skills in facilitation and leadership that can be applied to resolve community problems and issues.

- Develop an ongoing drop-box for recreation programming and facilities to monitor ongoing community preference.
- Organize annual workshops to measure adequacy of current programming and facilities.
- Enhance communication to the public regarding the types of park and recreation programs and facilities which are available.
- Develop a Parks and Recreation brochure.

Goal: Protect and Enhance Environmental Resources

By acquiring, managing, and restoring valuable resources as open space, such as rivers, streams, greenways, view sheds, forests and other habitat areas, natural resources are protected and habitat required for the survival of diverse species is preserved.

- Work with the Planning Commission and Township Board to develop open space ordinances which will allow for, or mandate, integrated parks and open spaces.

- Target areas/properties along the River and Lake for access purposes which are currently vacant or are currently underdeveloped.
- Seek to develop new River and Lake access opportunities and facilities, such as canoe/kayak launches and fishing piers.
- Enhance the landscaping within the parks and along trailways.
- Replace existing fencing with fencing that is considered decorative in nature.

Goal: Promote Health and Wellness

Participation in recreation improves physical and emotional health.

- Develop an accurate map of existing pathways within the community, develop a sidewalk program and apply for grants to construct segments of the pathway / sidewalk in areas where gaps exist.
- Extend asphalt pathways at all parks to create a continuous path for exercise and to ensure that all facilities are accessible to disabled residents.
- Connect the existing Freedom Trail bicycle/pedestrian path to an extensive pathway system throughout the Township.
- Develop health and wellness programs which educate residents on healthy eating, exercise habits, stress management, etc.
- Provide fitness stations along pathways and trails.

Capital Improvements Schedule

Potential capital improvements for this recreation master plan have been established not only to provide a guide and foundation for decision makers, but also to enable the Township to apply for grant funding for proposed projects. The capital improvements schedule is not a fixed element and is neither all inclusive nor exclusive. As a complement to the capital improvement schedule, an **Action Program Map (Map 4)** has been developed and is included to highlight the locations of the proposed improvement projects.

The capital improvements schedule is to be used as a general guide for decision-making. The estimated costs listed in the schedule are a gauge of the financial resources needed to implement the project, but are not meant to strictly dictate future Township budgeting. It is very likely

that the schedule and plan will be amended at some point during its life due to unanticipated circumstances such as private donations, changing recreation trends, community opinion, and/or available funding. The schedule should be considered in close conjunction with the goals and guidelines of the plan. The following capital improvements schedule provides an outline and guide as to the desires of the community.

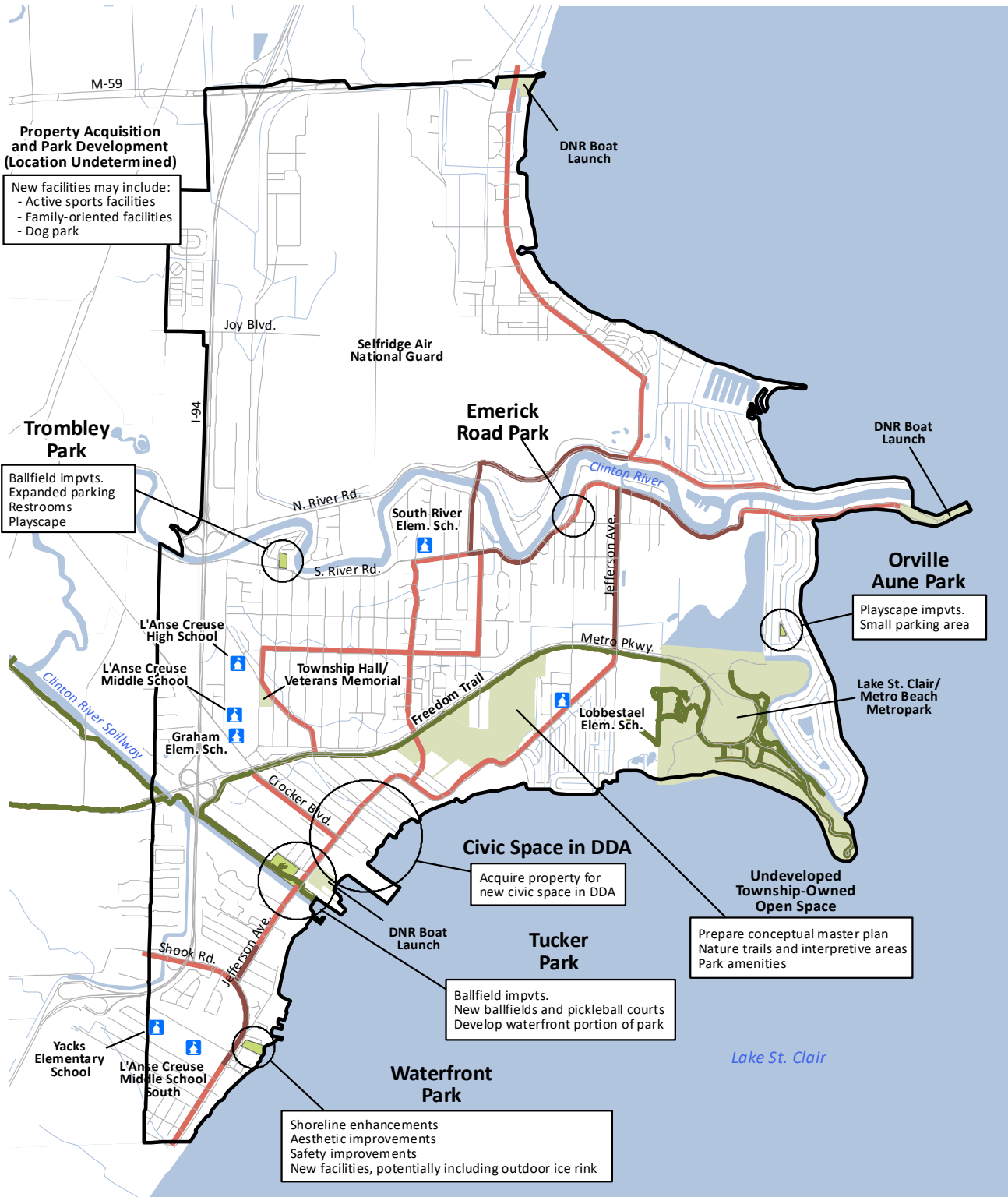
Capital Improvements Schedule

Category/ Park	Project	Cost Estimate	Potential Funding Sources	Year					Ongoing
				2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	
General Park Maintenance, Improvements & Amenities	Ongoing maintenance, repairs, signage, landscaping, lighting, safety, fencing, benches, trash receptacles, bicycle racks, etc.	TBD	GF, DDA, DNR						X
Civic Space in DDA	Acquisition and development of civic space within DDA	TBD	GF, DDA, DNR						X
Multi-Use Trail System Improvements & Expansion	• Repair existing pathways	TBD	GF, DDA, DNR, MDOT, SR2S						X
	• Jefferson Avenue Pathway	TBD		X	X	X	X		
	• Multi-use trail bridge along Jefferson Avenue over Clinton River Spillway (includes fishing platforms)	\$2,000,000					X		
	• General multi-use trail development (refer to Action Plan Map)	TBD							X
	• Trail Enhancements - Fitness stations, signage, bike racks, safety, crossings	TBD							X
Tucker Park	• New ballfield fencing	\$5,000-\$10,000	GF, DNR		X				
	• Develop waterfront portion of park with canoe/kayak launch, fishing pier, benches, picnic tables, trash receptacles, walkway, etc.	\$100,000-\$500,000	GF, DDA, DNR			X	X		
	• New ballfields and pickleball courts	\$150,000-\$250,000	GF, DNR					X	
Waterfront Park	• Sea wall removal and enhancement with natural shoreline with public access (fishing platform, canoe/kayak launch, etc.)	\$200,000-\$250,000	GF	X	X				
	• Park aesthetic improvements, including signage, landscaping, gazebo, public art, etc.	\$10,000-\$25,000	GF, DNR		X	X	X		
	• Park safety enhancements, including park rules sign, gate, security cameras, lighting, etc.	\$10,000-\$25,000	GF, DNR		X	X	X		
	• New park facilities, potentially including an outdoor ice rink	\$25,000-\$100,000	GF, DNR					X	

Capital Improvements Schedule (cont.)

Category/ Park	Project	Cost Estimate	Potential Funding Sources	Year					Ongoing
				2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	
Trombley Park	• New ballfield fencing, lighting and covered dugouts	\$25,000-\$75,000	GF, DNR	X	X				
	• Expanded parking area	\$40,000-\$60,000	GF, DNR		X				
	• Restrooms	\$75,000-\$100,000	GF, DNR		X				
	• Playscape	\$40,000-\$60,000	GF, DNR				X		
Orville Aune Park	• Playscape safety surfacing	\$10,000-\$20,000	GF, DNR		X				
	• Small parking area	\$20,000-\$40,000	GF, DNR					X	
Development of 154 Acre Township Owned Property	• Conduct study of facility and programming options and prepare conceptual Master Plan	\$250,000-\$500,000	GF, DNR, MDOT, SR2S		X				
	• Nature trails and interpretive areas, to include signage, overlooks, and/or related facilities	\$25,000-\$50,000	GF, DNR			X	X	X	
	• Park amenities, to include benches, bike racks, signage, lighting, safety, etc.	\$25,000-\$50,000	GF, DNR			X	X	X	
Property Acquisition and Development of New Park Facilities	Potential property acquisition for future recreational facility development. In line with demand per the online citizen survey, new facilities may include:	TBD	GF, DNR, DDA						X
	• Active sports facilities such as soccer fields, ballfields, pickleball courts, etc.	TBD							X
	• Family-oriented facilities such as spray parks/splash pads and playgrounds	TBD							X
	• Dog park	TBD							X
Road Ends for Waterfront Access	Development of public road ends/ rights-of-way along waterfront for public access	TBD	GF, DNR, DDA						X

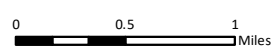
TBD = To Be Determined GF = General Fund DDA = Downtown Development Authority SR2S = Safe Routes to School Program
DNR = Mich Dept of Natural Resources Grants MDOT = Mich Dept of Transportation Grants



MAP 4 Action Plan

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- Township Parks
- Other Key Recreational Facilities
- Existing Regional Trails
- Existing Local Trails
- Proposed Local Trails
- Township Boundary
- Bodies of Water
- Streets
- School Locations



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Potential Funding Sources

Potential funding sources from outside entities for recreation, non-motorized, and environmental restoration projects change and evolve on a regular basis. Understanding available funding programs, their requirements and deadlines requires continuous monitoring. A few of the more common funding sources have been detailed here as a reference and resource. These are in addition to traditional funding methods such as the general fund, millages, bonds, DDA's, etc.

Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan

The Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan is a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life in Southeast Michigan. The funds provide annual grants, scholarships or awards to nonprofit organizations throughout the region. Funds are focused on sustainability, regional impact, leverage, and collaboration.

Transportation Alternatives Program (MDOT)

MDOT's Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) is a competitive grant program that uses federal transportation funds designated by Congress for specific activities that enhance the intermodal transportation system and provide safe alternative transportation options. TAP was created by the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21), signed into law in July 2012. TAP continued as a set-aside to the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program with the passage of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act), signed into law in December 2015. Approximately \$24 million is available annually. Of this, \$17 million is available through a competitive grant process administered by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) Office of Economic Development (OED). Another \$7 million is available through a competitive grant process administered by metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) in urban areas with populations greater than 200,000 (SEMCOG is the MPO for Southeast Michigan).

Eligible activities that relate to the implementation of this Master Plan include:

- Provision of facilities for pedestrians and bicycles. Includes new or reconstructed sidewalks, walkways, curb ramps, bike lane striping, wide paved shoulders, bike parking, bus racks, offroad trails, bike and pedestrian bridges and underpasses.
 - Paved shoulders four or more feet wide
 - Curb lane width greater than 12 feet
 - Bike lanes
 - Pedestrian crosswalks, sidewalks
 - Shared use paths 10 feet wide or greater
 - Path/trail user amenities
 - Grade separations
 - Bicycle parking facilities
 - Bicycle accommodations on public transportation
- Provision of safety and educational activities for pedestrians and bicyclists. Programs designed to encourage walking and bicycling by providing potential users with education and safety instruction through classes, pamphlets and signage.
- Preservation of abandoned railway corridors (including the conversion and use thereof for pedestrian and bicycle trails). Acquiring railroad rights-of-way; planning, designing and constructing multi-use trails; developing rail-with-trail projects; purchasing unused railroad property for reuse.

A minimum 20% local match is required for proposed projects and applications are accepted on an on-going basis.

Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund

The Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund, offered through the MDNR, provides funding for both the purchase of land (or interests in land) for recreation or protection of land because of its environmental importance or scenic beauty and the appropriate development of land for public outdoor recreation use.

Goals of the program are to: 1) protect Michigan's natural resources and provide for their access, public use and enjoyment; 2) provide public access to Michigan's water bodies, particularly the Great Lakes, and facilitate their recreation

use; 3) meet regional, county and community needs for outdoor recreation opportunities; 4) improve the opportunities for outdoor recreation in Michigan's urban areas; and, 5) stimulate Michigan's economy through recreation-related tourism and community revitalization.

Any individual, group, organization, or unit of government may submit a land acquisition proposal. However, only state and local units of government can submit development proposals. All proposals for grants must include a local match of at least 25% of the total project cost. There is no minimum or maximum for acquisition projects. For development projects, the maximum grant request amount is \$300,000. Applications are due in April.

Land and Water Conservation Fund

The Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) is a federal appropriation to the National Park Service who distributes funds to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for development of outdoor recreation facilities. In the past, this program has been used for a variety of recreational development purposes, including trailway systems, playgrounds, picnic areas, skate parks, ball fields, soccer fields and walking paths. The maximum grant request amount is \$300,000, with a minimum match of 50% of the total project cost. Applications are typically due in April of each year.

Recreation Passport

The Recreation Passport grant is a relatively new grant offered by the MDNR. The objective for the program is to provide funding to local units for the development of public recreation facilities. This includes the development of new facilities and the renovation of old facilities. The program emphasizes renovations to existing facilities and providing unmet recreation needs. The maximum grant request is \$150,000, with a minimum match of 25% of the total project cost. Applications are typically due in April of each year.

Great Lakes Fishery Trust

The Great Lakes Fishery Trust (GLFT) was created in 1996 as part of a court settlement for fish losses at the Ludington Pumped Storage Project hydroelectric facility jointly owned by Consumers Power Company (now Consumers Energy) and the Detroit Edison Company. The GLFT accepts proposals under different funding categories including fish habitat protection and restoration.

Bikes Belong

The Bikes Belong Coalition is sponsored by members of the American Bicycle Industry. Their mission is to put more people on bikes more often. The program funds bicycle infrastructure projects and some advocacy projects, such as:

- Bike paths, lanes, trails, and bridges
- Mountain bike facilities
- Bike parks and pump tracks
- BMX facilities
- End of trip facilities such as bike racks, bike parking, bike repair stations and bike storage
- Programs that transform city streets, such as Open Streets Days
- Campaigns to increase the investment in bicycle infrastructure

Requests for funding can be up to \$10,000 for projects, but Bikes Belong does not contribute to projects where their contribution would amount to 50% or more of the project budget. Applications are reviewed on a biannual basis, in the spring and the fall. More information can be found at www.bikesbelong.org.

Detroit Edison Tree Planting

The Detroit Edison Tree Planting program is conducted in partnership with the MDNR. The program began as DTE joined the US Department of Energy's voluntary Climate Challenge Program to address greenhouse gas emissions.

Cost-share funds are available to municipalities in Detroit Edison's service area on a competitive basis for tree planting projects. Applications are typically due in the summer.

Safe Routes To School Program

The Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Program is a national movement to make it safe, convenient and fun for children to bicycle and walk to school. When routes are safe, walking or biking to and from school is an easy way to get the regular physical activity children need to succeed. In Michigan, the program is sponsored by the Michigan Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and has gained momentum over the past few years. Michigan's SR2S program makes schools eligible for transportation enhancement funds, providing for infrastructure improvements and education campaigns.

The purpose of the program as defined in the federal legislation is:

- To enable and encourage children, including those with disabilities, to walk and bicycle to school;
- To make bicycling and walking to school a safer and more appealing transportation alternative, thereby encouraging a healthy and active lifestyle from an early age; and
- To facilitate the planning, development, and implementation of projects and activities that will improve safety and reduce traffic, fuel consumption, and air pollution in the vicinity of schools.

To be eligible, schools must be registered, attend a day long training session, and develop a Walking Audit in order to be eligible to apply. SR2S funding is 100 percent federal; no match is required. 70% of the funding must be used for infrastructure projects, 10% for non-infrastructure projects, and 20% for either. For more information, go to: www.safer-outesmichigan.org

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Appendix

A - Online Citizen Survey Results

B - Newspaper Notice for Draft Plan Availability and Public Hearing

C - Township Board Public Hearing Meeting Minutes

D - Township Board Resolution of Adoption

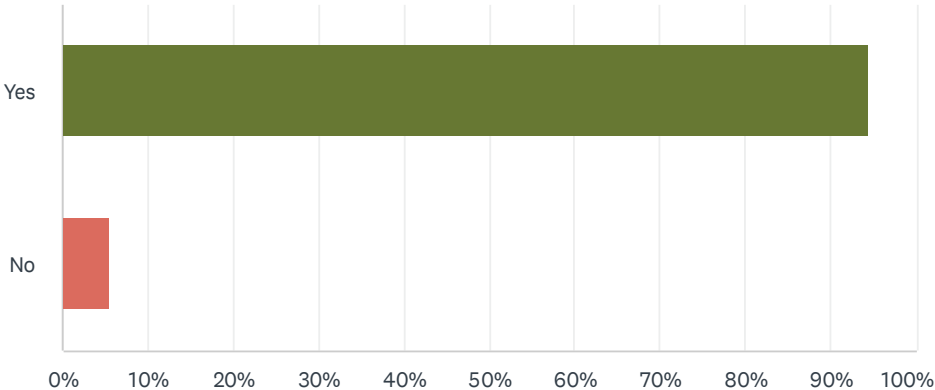
E - Letter of Transmittal to Macomb County

F - Letter of Transmittal to SEMCOG

G - Recreation Plan Certification Checklist

Q1 Are you a resident of Harrison Township?

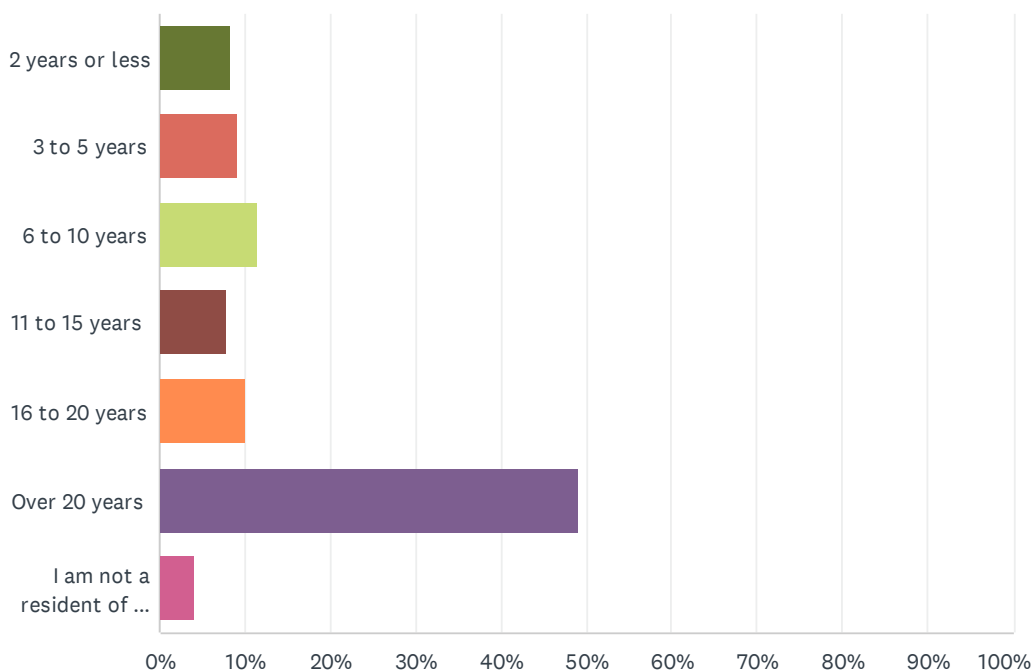
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	94.50%	206
No	5.50%	12
TOTAL		218

Q2 How many years have you lived within Harrison Township?

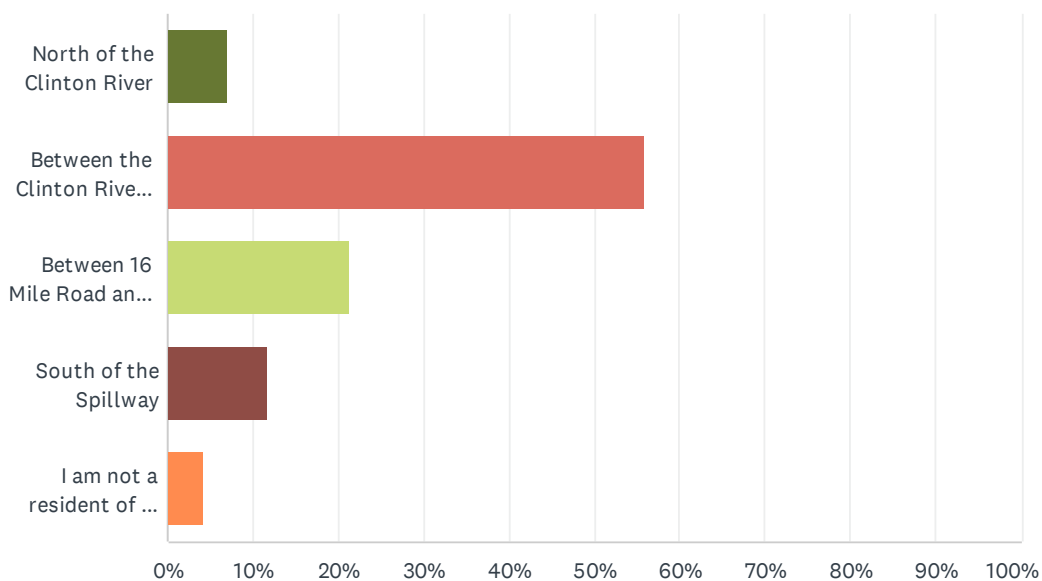
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
2 years or less	8.26%	18
3 to 5 years	9.17%	20
6 to 10 years	11.47%	25
11 to 15 years	7.80%	17
16 to 20 years	10.09%	22
Over 20 years	49.08%	107
I am not a resident of the Township	4.13%	9
TOTAL		218

Q3 In which section of the Township do you live?

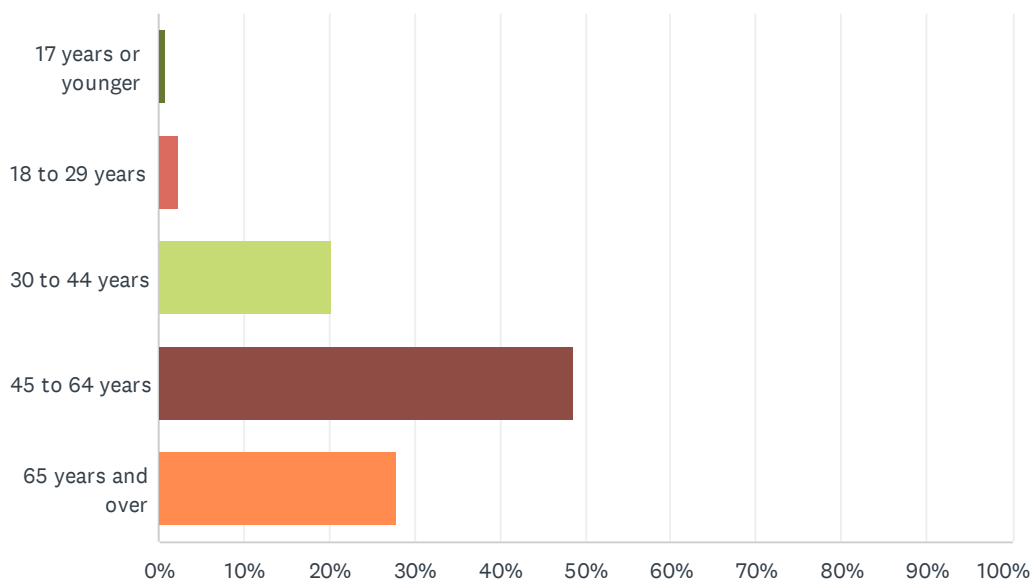
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
North of the Clinton River	6.98%	15
Between the Clinton River and 16 Mile Road	55.81%	120
Between 16 Mile Road and the Spillway	21.40%	46
South of the Spillway	11.63%	25
I am not a resident of the Township	4.19%	9
TOTAL		215

Q4 Please indicate the range in which your age falls.

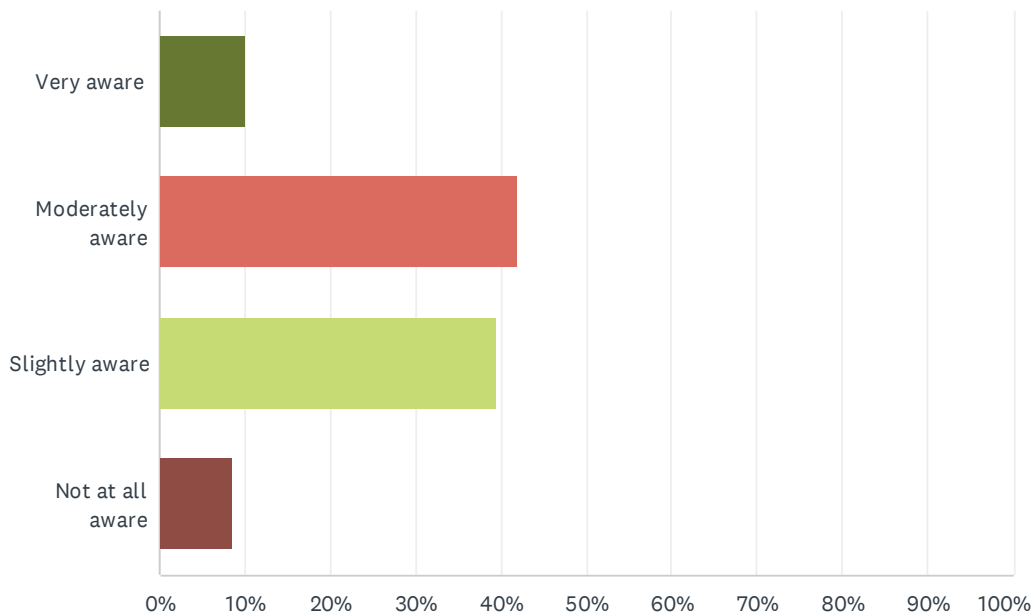
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
17 years or younger	0.92%	2
18 to 29 years	2.29%	5
30 to 44 years	20.18%	44
45 to 64 years	48.62%	106
65 years and over	27.98%	61
TOTAL		218

Q5 How aware are you of the recreational facilities and programs maintained and operated by Harrison Township?

Answered: 188 Skipped: 30



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Very aware	10.11% 19
Moderately aware	42.02% 79
Slightly aware	39.36% 74
Not at all aware	8.51% 16
TOTAL	188

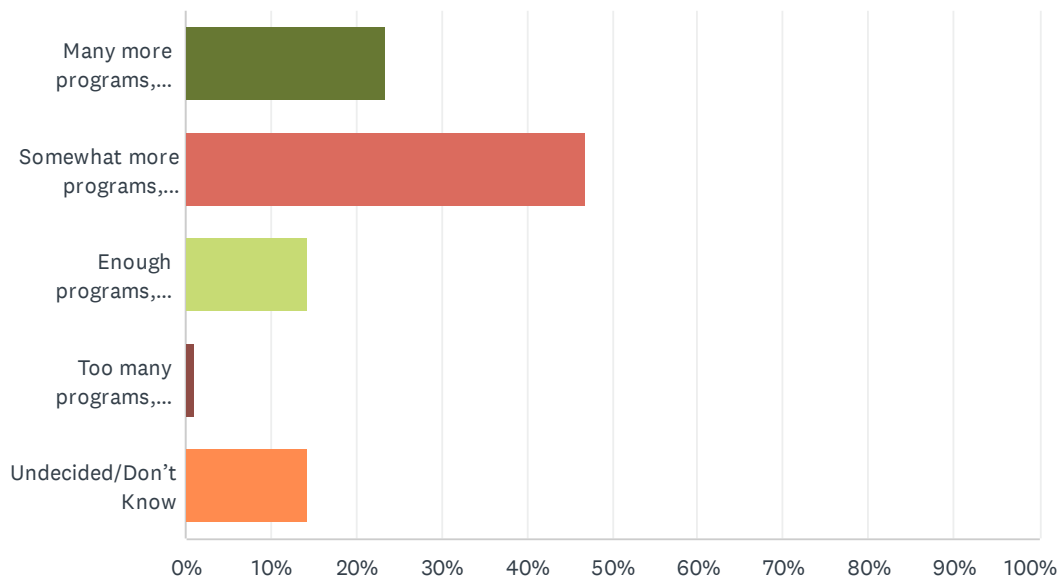
#	PLEASE FEEL FREE TO EXPAND UPON YOUR ANSWER.	DATE
1	Frequently use all available recreation options	11/11/2022 6:06 PM
2	I am not aware of recreational programs in Harrison Township and have looked at rec programs in neighboring cities to fill that spot for my kids.	11/8/2022 11:13 AM
3	Please, please widen and repave the bike path. The uneven surface severely affects my back and hips. Not enough width to safely walk with 2 people.	11/1/2022 11:49 AM
4	Don't really hear much.	10/31/2022 4:40 PM
5	My husband and I lived in Harrison Township for 50 years and frequently spent time at the beautiful Lake St. Clair Metropark and the Waterfront Park.	10/28/2022 9:08 PM
6	It would be wonderful to get a parks and rec flyer listing all they offer	10/27/2022 9:01 AM
7	I know that Tucker Center has activities, like fitness programs & cooking classes. I'm aware of the trunk or treat for halloween.	10/26/2022 8:10 PM
8	I'm not aware of where I could find out about programs.	10/26/2022 8:03 PM

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9	I'm a coach and teacher at L'Anse Creuse. I'm hoping youth athletic activities can become a part of the parks and rec program.	10/26/2022 7:55 PM
10	I am aware there's a park over on Jefferson but not much beyond that	10/26/2022 8:05 AM
11	I am aware of (and use) Waterfront Park and the small park between it and the Metropark. Other than the couple parks on Jefferson, though, I'm not aware of Township opportunities.	10/20/2022 11:27 AM
12	Assisted in establishing them.	10/19/2022 9:24 PM
13	More so aware of the facilities not so much the programs	10/13/2022 5:55 PM
14	I wasn't aware that we had a parks and rec program here in HTP	10/9/2022 7:34 AM
15	I have school aged children so I get information on some organized events	10/8/2022 7:08 PM
16	We have not utilized the programs and facilities but we are aware of them.	10/7/2022 11:54 PM
17	All I noticed is that music in park was added over summer	10/7/2022 3:15 PM
18	Recreational Facility, ie. Hike/Bike Paths Maintenance = Poor, not adequately maintained.	10/7/2022 11:15 AM
19	I have been an active resident in Harrison Township my entire life. We have raised our children here and know what Harrison Township offers (or should I say, does not offer) that other communities support.	10/7/2022 9:26 AM
20	Basically just what I see in Facebook	10/6/2022 7:06 PM
21	I am a member of P&R committee	10/6/2022 7:03 PM
22	I am part of the P&R committee	10/6/2022 6:55 PM
23	Used the park for many years but as a senior over 85 I no longer can walk ,which I loved to do and do enjoy the music on the summer sundays from my front yard.	10/6/2022 6:38 PM
24	I just need to remember to go on the website to see what is available.	10/6/2022 6:02 PM

Q6 Thinking about the number of recreational programs, activities and facilities provided in Harrison Township, do you believe that overall...

Answered: 188 Skipped: 30



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Many more programs, activities, and facilities are needed	23.40% 44
Somewhat more programs, activities, and facilities are needed	46.81% 88
Enough programs, activities, and facilities are available now	14.36% 27
Too many programs, activities, and facilities are available now	1.06% 2
Undecided/Don't Know	14.36% 27
TOTAL	188

#	PLEASE FEEL FREE TO EXPAND UPON YOUR ANSWER.	DATE
1	We need a dog park.	11/9/2022 9:59 AM
2	Just refer to every community around Harrison Township. All offer so much more. Nix the “new offices” proposal. Give the residents more.	11/1/2022 11:49 AM
3	Sports leagues, maintenance of bike paths & sidewalks	10/31/2022 6:30 PM
4	I never received any program information.	10/31/2022 4:57 PM
5	Additional additions and improvements are always welcome, but many wonderful events and activities have been provided, including by the Harrison Township Library.	10/28/2022 9:08 PM
6	More advertising perhaps?	10/28/2022 9:32 AM
7	Dog park! More kids events not planned around a holiday	10/27/2022 9:01 AM
8	More for seniors	10/27/2022 7:15 AM
9	Activities for kids and adults within Harrison Township. I signed up for the car rally thinking it	10/26/2022 8:12 PM

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would be in Harrison township. My team had a lot of fun but it would have been more enjoyable if it was within Harrison township. It would have been really great to end up at a Harrison township restaurant.

10	More things for seniors	10/26/2022 8:11 PM
11	Maybe some singles group activities for active older singles.	10/26/2022 8:10 PM
12	I am unaware of any programs, activities, and facilities.	10/26/2022 8:03 PM
13	This department does an amazing job!!	10/14/2022 10:00 AM
14	I feel that there are not many programs for school age children that the township provides	10/13/2022 5:55 PM
15	We need a publicly reservable event venue.	10/8/2022 11:27 PM
16	My daughter has to play softball out of city because we don't have softball here swimming hasn't been available since Covid in the high schools	10/8/2022 7:08 PM
17	We could use more park options. Metro is nice but it can be crowded and pricey.	10/7/2022 11:54 PM
18	Acceptable, proper maintenance is necessary with any recreational facility. ie. Hike/Bike Paths are not designed for golf carts, motorcycles and motor vehicles, especially "maintenance vehicles" who destroy detectable warning tracks with their steel snow plows.	10/7/2022 11:15 AM
19	We could do so much more for our community if only the funding were available to do so and the taxpayers were willing to support it.	10/7/2022 9:26 AM
20	Need more senior activities and work out area.	10/7/2022 8:33 AM
21	More support of youth athletics needed	10/6/2022 9:26 PM
22	I would love to see some type of community center, a skatepark and more activities for young kids.	10/6/2022 8:40 PM
23	I adamantly do not want another increase in taxes, still sore about the library increase	10/6/2022 7:47 PM
24	I believe lake st clair metro park should be just for residents like scs memorial park and grosse point does, or should be more expensive for non residents	10/6/2022 7:35 PM
25	We have metro beach and the bike trail. I think we have enough	10/6/2022 7:06 PM
26	Would like more recreation and sports activities for kids and families.	10/6/2022 6:57 PM
27	Live music in the park might be nice in the Spring , summer and Autumn	10/6/2022 6:45 PM
28	Our own kayak access Community Center	10/6/2022 6:28 PM
29	Citizens only boat launch	10/6/2022 5:05 PM
30	Not sure what is offered, where would I find that?	10/6/2022 4:39 PM
31	I think there should be a place and way to get on the ice for fishing in the winter that is open to residents only and beyond 8 am to dark.	10/6/2022 4:36 PM

Q7 Please list any ideas you have for recreation programs and special events within Harrison Township.

Answered: 127 Skipped: 91

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	We need to go all in on Lakefront parks. and bike paths	11/11/2022 6:06 PM
2	I have no clue. I guess maybe provide more ways / advertisement for these programs and events	11/10/2022 12:36 PM
3	Volleyball Theater Cooking Classes Workout Rooms Exercise Classes Swimming	11/8/2022 11:13 AM
4	.	11/3/2022 7:43 PM
5	Pickleball. Senior rec programs.	11/1/2022 10:24 PM
6	Exercise programs and post somewhere for all to see	11/1/2022 8:33 PM
7	Kids recreational sports, swim team, co-ed adult softball, kickball, hay rides, yoga in the park.	11/1/2022 6:36 PM
8	Kid fishing day	11/1/2022 12:23 PM
9	?	11/1/2022 11:47 AM
10	Boaters education for kids and adults. Fishing derby for kids. Environmental awareness. Anything Lake St. Clair/Clinton River related.	11/1/2022 9:15 AM
11	.	11/1/2022 4:59 AM
12	Boating and holiday events	11/1/2022 12:00 AM
13	None	10/31/2022 10:22 PM
14	More summer activities when kids are out of school	10/31/2022 9:35 PM
15	more adult activities and more organized sports for kids	10/31/2022 6:23 PM
16	Trips to events, Bridge (card game) lessons, Pinochle lessons, trivia night	10/31/2022 4:57 PM
17	More seasonal events for kids and adults, similar to what SCS does.	10/31/2022 4:40 PM
18	Something similar to Saint Clair Shores Social district	10/31/2022 4:37 PM
19	well there was a trunk or treat held at lake st Clair park. I had no clue of it till I saw it on FB. Immediately we tried to register and it was full. It would be a good thing to have read about it in a newsletter that comes with the water bill. Trying to register wasn't very easy. If we would have read about it sooner I know people that would have been willing to be a vehicle passing out candy. Also maybe parks and rec can have a email list to send out upcoming events or a FB page just devoted to HT parks and rec upcoming events.	10/31/2022 3:39 PM
20	Additional activities are needed for families	10/31/2022 2:33 PM
21	Community building events, events with vendors	10/31/2022 2:29 PM
22	Keep my taxes low instead of recreation programs. St clair metro park is where recreation occurs.	10/31/2022 2:24 PM
23	X	10/30/2022 8:34 AM
24	Tucker park trunk or treat was missed this year when you moved it to metro beach	10/28/2022 10:47 PM
25	Perhaps holiday programs and events. Maybe yoga on the beach. Possibly community potluck picnics under the pavilion.	10/28/2022 9:08 PM
26	Complete work at Harrison Township Park for the previously discussed improvements. Regularly scheduled Township farmers market. Leverage location near the water to organize	10/28/2022 2:39 PM

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water-based activities (kayaking, fishing, boating) Coordinate with neighboring recreation departments to create combined events.

27	Food truck rally's (St. Clair Shores does it and we always go). Adult or family corn hole. Walking groups that meet up after work....not just senior events.	10/28/2022 9:34 AM
28	I would have to think about this one.	10/28/2022 9:32 AM
29	No idea	10/27/2022 8:01 PM
30	Halloween Events/Activities House decorating contests for holidays Kid events with face-painting/bounce-houses/characters in costumes etc. More summer rec. leagues (adults/kids volleyball, softball,etc.)	10/27/2022 4:49 PM
31	Would love to see the bike path on south river extended all the way to golf course	10/27/2022 3:33 PM
32	Bicycle pub crawls, walking pub crawls, zip line pub crawls, hoverboard pub crawls, skateboard pub crawls, etc	10/27/2022 12:42 PM
33	More activities for families women and couples	10/27/2022 10:53 AM
34	Mother/Son dance	10/27/2022 10:35 AM
35	Dog park! Kids fun day	10/27/2022 9:01 AM
36	Kayak launch on river. Adult classes that aren't all in middle of day	10/27/2022 8:52 AM
37	Incertain	10/27/2022 8:32 AM
38	Pickleball, pick up basketball, squash	10/27/2022 7:55 AM
39	Day trips. Yoga classes	10/27/2022 7:15 AM
40	Social events with children, bounce house nights, food truck rally	10/27/2022 5:57 AM
41	More Events hosted at metrobeach, activities for young adults	10/26/2022 11:08 PM
42	Very adequate for my needs	10/26/2022 10:03 PM
43	Very pleased with metro park for our needs.	10/26/2022 9:59 PM
44	Don't know. Budget restrictions? Community buildings?	10/26/2022 9:47 PM
45	Holiday events	10/26/2022 9:39 PM
46	Adult open swim, adult stretch and tone in pool, adult Zumba in pool, adult arthritis class in pool. Yoga with chair, Zumba cooking/baking club, womens walking club (am and pm) Saturday morning meet ups for fun one day programs- Christmas craft Christmas bake Bus trip Family activity	10/26/2022 9:18 PM
47	More events should come to Metro Beach. Festivals, music, outdoor sporting events, etc.	10/26/2022 9:12 PM
48	Not sure	10/26/2022 9:10 PM
49	Indoor swim classes for adults	10/26/2022 8:53 PM
50	5k to benefit Lake St Clair Metropark improvements	10/26/2022 8:44 PM
51	More family focused events. Family run/walks. Holiday events. A parade. Art fair.	10/26/2022 8:43 PM
52	Events at Metro	10/26/2022 8:40 PM
53	More for our disabled and cognitive impaired residents. Children and adults	10/26/2022 8:36 PM
54	I wish we had a Rec center like Macomb Township but anything having to do with kids is great!	10/26/2022 8:35 PM
55	Nature and Swimming programs are needed	10/26/2022 8:15 PM
56	Entertainment like a night with food trucks a night with bands	10/26/2022 8:13 PM
57	Adults kickball or volleyball games Summer program for school ages kids More road rallies	10/26/2022 8:12 PM
58	Family events.	10/26/2022 8:10 PM
59	Host pickle ball workshops for beginner/intermediate players. Host a golf scramble where you	10/26/2022 8:10 PM

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don't have to already have a 4 some. A fun scramble would help in meeting people too. Host recycling information with a trip to our recycling center. More cooking classes.

60	Pickle ball courts	10/26/2022 8:09 PM
61	How about a kayak the river day. A walking group would be nice.	10/26/2022 8:03 PM
62	More events and programs for tweens and teens. More sports programs for kids, tweens and teens.	10/26/2022 7:56 PM
63	Youth sports programs: basketball, softball, baseball, flag football etc	10/26/2022 7:55 PM
64	builD structures for sport, recreation, or arts programs.	10/26/2022 7:54 PM
65	Lot more kids events and senior citizen events Maybe camping allowed	10/26/2022 7:45 PM
66	More programs for kids in the summer.	10/26/2022 7:35 PM
67	Water park	10/26/2022 7:33 PM
68	Utilize vacant land to provide walking paths for elderly Natural habitat gardens Playgrounds for under 5	10/26/2022 7:23 PM
69	Maybe activities for people to get together that have similar interests/hobbies. Also, not exactly an event but maybe an annual "garage sale" day? People like to come to garage sales more if there are multiple houses participating.	10/26/2022 8:05 AM
70	More concerts in the park during the summer	10/25/2022 5:39 PM
71	Bulletins mailed to residents with schedules and programs would be nice.	10/25/2022 5:31 PM
72	Fireworks	10/20/2022 11:27 AM
73	Don't really know of recreation programs other than Easter and Halloween	10/20/2022 10:55 AM
74	pickleball courts at the schools for summer play	10/20/2022 6:39 AM
75	Nature walks, summer/winter/fall festivals with music, food trucks, etc. , guided paddle (kayak or sup) events, camp out, movie in the park,	10/19/2022 9:38 PM
76	Summer festival on River... Nature walks on spillway with hcma interpreters	10/19/2022 9:33 PM
77	A township facility that connects with the people. A great example is Clinton twp where everything is on site.	10/19/2022 9:24 PM
78	It's always bird watching, what about investigating flowers? Or tea program on how vital trees are	10/19/2022 4:25 PM
79	Would love a fall festival, maybe next year.	10/14/2022 10:00 AM
80	I wish there were summertime day programs like there used to be	10/13/2022 5:55 PM
81	Chili cook off, beer tents, food truck rallies	10/10/2022 7:27 PM
82	Art fairs craft shows more events in the summer	10/10/2022 4:52 PM
83	Basketball, playgrounds	10/10/2022 3:28 PM
84	We we'd a central area where we can come together. Also would like to see a chili (tasting contest) walk, something with dogs, bike event for kids and families.	10/10/2022 12:49 PM
85	Have more events geared towards teens! There's so many programs for the littles and for elderly but that's all that goes to the parks, have some stuff for us too! DJ night, color run, stuff like that!	10/10/2022 8:11 AM
86	I don't know the current programming	10/9/2022 10:29 PM
87	Walking programs Township walk on the bike path like we had in the late 90's. Prizes, t shirts etc.	10/9/2022 7:29 PM
88	Take a look at Clinton twps park/rec program . They offer many activities I would love to see outdoor yoga Exercise classes	10/9/2022 7:34 AM
89	Kids events /sports	10/8/2022 7:08 PM

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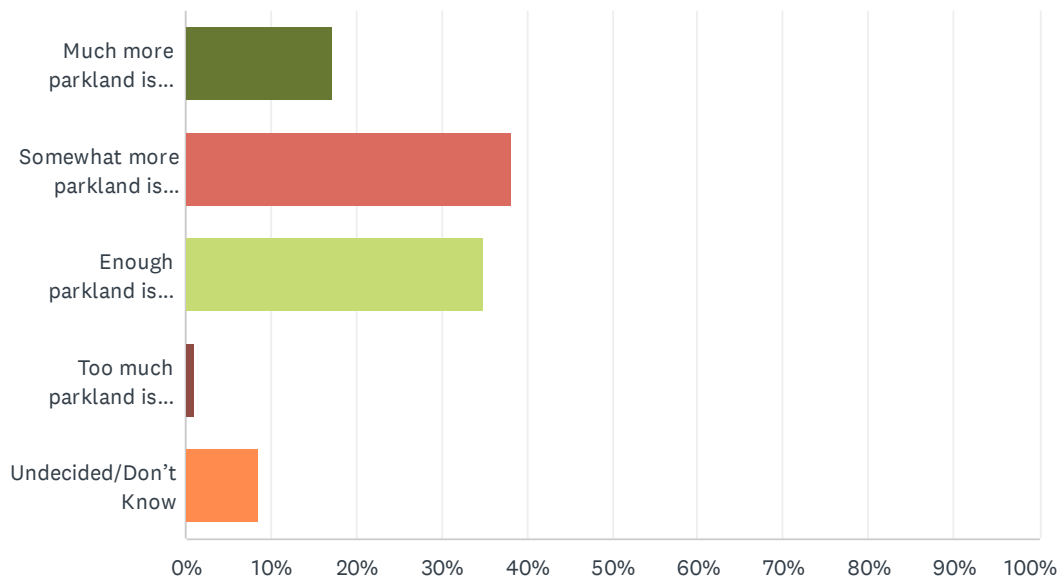
90	more evening music not only on some sundays	10/8/2022 8:18 AM
91	More movie nights. Concerts in the park type events.	10/7/2022 11:54 PM
92	More music at the park	10/7/2022 6:54 PM
93	Volleyball, basketball, cheer clinic , music , fishing	10/7/2022 3:15 PM
94	5 or 10k walk/run, a "muddy" run, bike programs, walking club, paddle boarding events	10/7/2022 1:01 PM
95	More Bike riding events and a SAFE pedestrian/Bike bridge across the spillway on Jefferson Ave. to "Connect" our community to St.Clair Shores and back. Quit the car... We should be on at least, Michigan's top ten places for Bicycle friendly communities... Let's start a program to properly maintain our Pathways too. Where's our yellow centerline and white lines indicating the edge of the path. It's difficult to see the black, asphalt pathway at night, especially when a motor vehicle blinds the person with headlights.	10/7/2022 11:15 AM
96	Sports Leagues for our youth - Football/Basketball/Golf/etc. Daddy/Daughter Dance-Mother/Son Dance More Easter/Halloween/Christmas Activities Pickle Ball/Volleyball/Yoga for adults Field Trips for all ages - Theatre/Bus Trips/Sporting Events	10/7/2022 9:26 AM
97	Work out gym type area and programs.	10/7/2022 8:33 AM
98	Concerts at the park are a good idea during the summer.	10/7/2022 7:43 AM
99	I would like to see the Car Show expanded	10/7/2022 7:18 AM
100	Nature walks, plant swaps, music nights	10/6/2022 11:05 PM
101	Love all of the things we have	10/6/2022 10:33 PM
102	None	10/6/2022 9:42 PM
103	Skating pond and soccer fields needed	10/6/2022 9:26 PM
104	Resurface bike path along metro parkway between Jefferson and Harper. It's difficult to ride on due to all the tree roots.	10/6/2022 9:18 PM
105	Corn Hole Tournament	10/6/2022 9:06 PM
106	A community center, and a skatepark.	10/6/2022 8:40 PM
107	I need to see what is offered before I can suggest	10/6/2022 8:28 PM
108	A juried art fair, a family magic show, cross country skiing/lessons	10/6/2022 7:49 PM
109	Our family doesn't have time for everything we're already involved in	10/6/2022 7:47 PM
110	Discounts for residents	10/6/2022 7:35 PM
111	Not the township but I wish metro would do Christmas lights	10/6/2022 7:06 PM
112	N/A	10/6/2022 7:03 PM
113	Family based sports programs like kickball, playground/backyard type games, etc. Expanded programs like the library holds - craft events, game events, etc.	10/6/2022 6:57 PM
114	M/A	10/6/2022 6:55 PM
115	Live music events	10/6/2022 6:45 PM
116	no longer as an active rec person...age is a factor.	10/6/2022 6:38 PM
117	walking club bike club Taste of the Township	10/6/2022 6:28 PM
118	More activities along the spillway and better signage	10/6/2022 6:27 PM
119	Before I can comment I really need to research the things available for seniors.	10/6/2022 6:02 PM
120	Zero	10/6/2022 5:51 PM
121	I would like to see Harrison Township Park open for the winter.	10/6/2022 5:15 PM
122	Citizens only boat launch	10/6/2022 5:05 PM

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123	Summer program for children. It would be great if the township brought it back	10/6/2022 5:03 PM
124	Social events for residents	10/6/2022 4:39 PM
125	Idk	10/6/2022 4:36 PM
126	Senior citizens	10/6/2022 4:33 PM
127	Concerts, family fairs, car show	10/6/2022 4:23 PM

Q8 Thinking about the amount of parkland in Harrison Township, do you believe that overall...

Answered: 186 Skipped: 32



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Much more parkland is needed	17.20% 32
Somewhat more parkland is needed	38.17% 71
Enough parkland is available now	34.95% 65
Too much parkland is available now	1.08% 2
Undecided/Don't Know	8.60% 16
TOTAL	186

#	PLEASE FEEL FREE TO EXPAND UPON YOUR ANSWER.	DATE
1	We need a dog park and a central gathering place for community	11/11/2022 6:06 PM
2	We need a dog park.	11/9/2022 9:59 AM
3	Nature trails in the wooded area between Jefferson (near Ginos) and 16 mile road (near Beachwood)	11/1/2022 10:24 PM
4	Can never have to much parkland better then subdivisions	11/1/2022 8:33 PM
5	Enough parkland is available. Just enhance, take care of, and maintain what we have. The bike path in every other community is so well maintained it's embarrassing when you enter Harrison Township. We're the joke if other communities residents. They call us "Harrisontucky." Nice.	11/1/2022 11:49 AM
6	Make it citizen only like SCS and the other lakefront communities	10/31/2022 8:02 PM
7	Access for non residents to fish etc. Lake St.Clair Metro Park fee might be too high for some	10/31/2022 7:20 PM
8	Who doesn't want to live near more parks?	10/31/2022 6:30 PM

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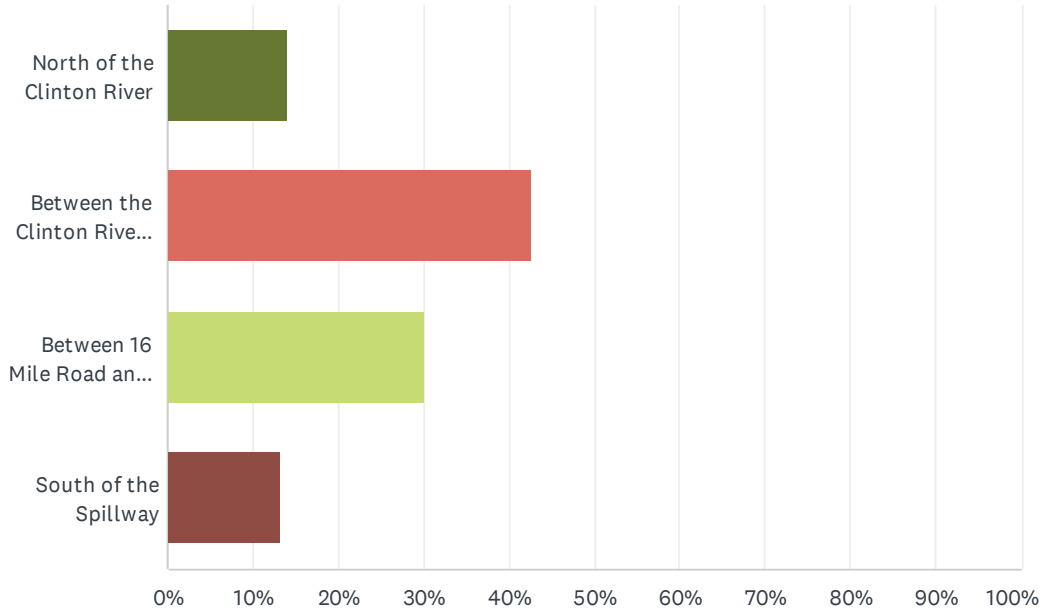
9	It would be nice if there was a splash pad in one of the parks	10/28/2022 10:47 PM
10	Maybe one or two small recreational parks for children and adults in different locations of the township.	10/28/2022 9:08 PM
11	I think that Harrison Twp., would benefit by adding a park in an area that creates a downtown feel. Walking distance to some restaurants, ice cream, bar/grill, view of the water, etc.	10/28/2022 9:34 AM
12	The wetlands needs to be preserved. Too many proposed developments in area. Concentration should be applied to preserving the area and beautifying what we have.	10/28/2022 9:32 AM
13	We need more parks for the kids	10/27/2022 10:35 AM
14	We rely on metro beach and school playgrounds too much. We have a baseball diamond and we have the waterfront park that could use more things like basketball nets, expanded playscape	10/27/2022 9:01 AM
15	Seems fine. Wondering if my answers are helpful as my use of Metro is infrequent but when I do go there it's very pleasant.	10/26/2022 9:59 PM
16	Improve existing parks	10/26/2022 8:27 PM
17	We need our parks to be clean and kept up. Tucker Park has swear words and has not been updated in years. We have enough parks but we need to keep them enjoyable.	10/26/2022 8:12 PM
18	If we don't have parkland we have buildings and more people, not the beautiful quaint feel of Harrison Twp I moved into years ago.	10/26/2022 8:10 PM
19	It would be nice to have paths thru our undeveloped land.	10/26/2022 8:03 PM
20	Need to utilize the parks we have	10/20/2022 10:55 AM
21	I'm always in favor of more green space	10/19/2022 9:38 PM
22	Little in township for recreation other than lk st Clair.. need better paddle access to West section of River 94 to bridgeview	10/19/2022 9:33 PM
23	A Township site that can pretty much host everything!	10/19/2022 9:24 PM
24	I can only think of one very small park between Jefferson and Crocker and south River and metro park	10/13/2022 5:55 PM
25	Better security at parks.	10/10/2022 12:49 PM
26	riverfront would be nice	10/8/2022 8:56 PM
27	I feel like one more additional park would be nice or even adding more park equipment to what already exists would be nice such as swings at tucker and a smaller play scape at waterfront	10/8/2022 7:08 PM
28	St Clair Metropark is nice but a nice community park for township specific events would be nice. We do have some options currently but nothing that I am aware of on the east side of the township.	10/7/2022 11:54 PM
29	By now it should of been added to Scs has everything but you need a pass and to live there	10/7/2022 3:15 PM
30	Yes, more parkland is needed but, detailed construction and proper maintenance is also required on a regular basis for these lands and paths.	10/7/2022 11:15 AM
31	We need to develop a kayak launch - we are on Lake St. Clair. Our community would love a dog park. We need to have an area developed for children with special needs that is barrier free.	10/7/2022 9:26 AM
32	With Metro Beach available we have a very good park system that is available to most residents.	10/7/2022 7:18 AM
33	We need to preserve the wetlands and improve on open areas that have lake frontage or access. Private resident only parks would be well received.	10/7/2022 6:04 AM
34	Need somewhere for soccer fields	10/6/2022 9:26 PM
35	I don't know what we have	10/6/2022 8:28 PM

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36	We need to utilize the parks we already have before we look at expanding the parkland.	10/6/2022 7:49 PM
37	More parks are better, but not at the expense of increased taxes	10/6/2022 7:47 PM
38	We have so much with metro beach already.	10/6/2022 7:06 PM
39	The availability and location of activities and recreational facilities need to be made more aware to the citizens on a regular basis.	10/6/2022 6:45 PM
40	We need more of our own water-view parks.	10/6/2022 6:28 PM
41	We have the beach at our disposal	10/6/2022 4:39 PM
42	The woods donated to the township below Metro Parkway needs to be opened for access beyond the mess the four wheelers make of it today.	10/6/2022 4:36 PM

Q9 Is there a specific location within the Township where you think more parkland should be set aside and developed?

Answered: 136 Skipped: 82



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
North of the Clinton River	13.97% 19
Between the Clinton River and 16 Mile Road	42.65% 58
Between 16 Mile Road and the Spillway	30.15% 41
South of the Spillway	13.24% 18
TOTAL	136

#	PLEASE FEEL FREE TO EXPAND UPON YOUR ANSWER OR IDENTIFY A SPECIFIC LOCATION FOR MORE PARKLAND.	DATE
1	Where is our downtown that has been proposed for years?	11/11/2022 6:06 PM
2	The fenced in crash zone on North River Road would be a great place for a dog park. I'd risk life and limb for a nearby fenced in dog friendly park.	11/9/2022 9:59 AM
3	None	10/31/2022 10:22 PM
4	No	10/31/2022 8:02 PM
5	No	10/31/2022 4:57 PM
6	not really sure	10/31/2022 3:39 PM
7	No more parkland needed	10/31/2022 2:26 PM
8	The administration building should NOT be sold for development. The citizens taxes PAID for that property over the years. Now you're going put high density development into an area that doesn't want it.	10/31/2022 2:24 PM

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9	I don't know. I'll leave that up to the professional planners.	10/28/2022 9:08 PM
10	Create parkland along bodies of water to allow access to recreation opportunities. Reconfigure land around water building on Jefferson near crocker to install fishing pier and parking in front. More infrastructure along the spillway paths, including the north side between 16 and harper. Coordinate/combine resources with Metroparks where possible.	10/28/2022 2:39 PM
11	By all the restaurants north of Harper off of Jefferson. Close to Restaurants, bars, water and marina's and shopping.	10/28/2022 9:34 AM
12	There is an area of 16 Mile and Jefferson that would be awesome as a park for the residents. More trees should be planted.	10/28/2022 9:32 AM
13	I'd love to see Tucker Park become a staple area for families/sporting events for kids/adults/rec. leagues	10/27/2022 4:49 PM
14	Anywhere it's available	10/27/2022 3:05 PM
15	No preference	10/27/2022 8:32 AM
16	Not parkland but would love to see the trails in the woods off of north point groomed into actual running/biking trails	10/27/2022 7:31 AM
17	Undecided	10/26/2022 10:03 PM
18	N/a	10/26/2022 9:59 PM
19	Don't know wich area I'm in. Between 26 and Jefferson off of Crocker.	10/26/2022 9:47 PM
20	I suggest the 104 acre property should be developed as a safe nature area. Similar to the wild life area at Metro Beach.	10/26/2022 9:29 PM
21	Please add a park off of north river road.	10/26/2022 8:43 PM
22	No	10/26/2022 8:12 PM
23	The wooded land south of 16 mile rd.	10/26/2022 8:11 PM
24	Paths would be nice.	10/26/2022 8:03 PM
25	Along the lake	10/26/2022 7:23 PM
26	Is there any land directly off the bike path perhaps?	10/26/2022 8:05 AM
27	I would like to see parkland that is devoted to preserving nature rather than "developing" the parkland (e.g., woodland trails and riparian corridor rather than lawn and baseball fields).	10/20/2022 11:27 AM
28	Anywhere there is an opportunity	10/19/2022 9:38 PM
29	New township facility that can be a conduit for most events. The current set up is not conducive to cohesive gov operations.	10/19/2022 9:24 PM
30	I believe children should have a park within a safe distance of the homes to encourage outdoor active fun	10/13/2022 5:55 PM
31	I don't know	10/10/2022 12:49 PM
32	No	10/9/2022 10:29 PM
33	Ballard and jefferson	10/8/2022 8:18 AM
34	There are several large parcels both south of Metro Parkway and north of Metro Parkway that would offer options.	10/7/2022 11:54 PM
35	The only parkland available between Clinton River and 16 Mile is the Metropark, as far as I am aware.	10/7/2022 1:01 PM
36	I dream of connecting a pathway to Chesterfield Township one day... Between MacRays and SANG, then out into the beach area of Lake St. Clair, even an elevated pathway along the shoreline until Chesterfield Township/Jefferson Avenue. Connecting our communities is key to our success.	10/7/2022 11:15 AM
37	We need to develop this where space is available. Close to water access is always a bonus	10/7/2022 9:26 AM

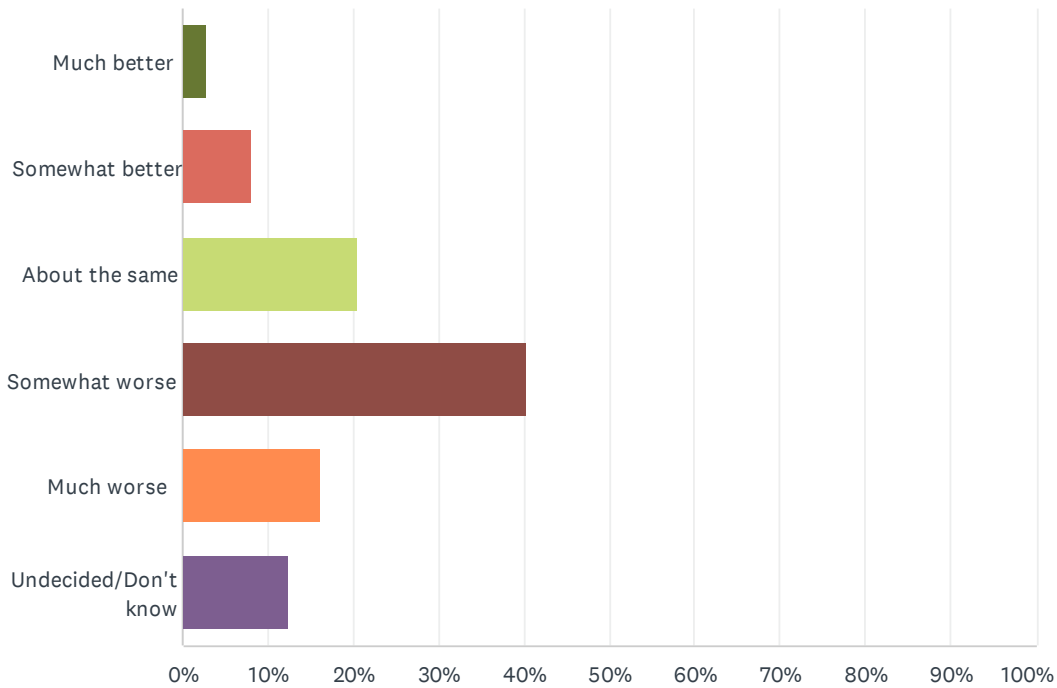
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and so relaxing and refreshing.

38	no	10/7/2022 8:33 AM
39	We use Metro Beach. A bike path on Lakeshore would be great!! That is another story.	10/7/2022 7:43 AM
40	Our neighborhood does not have enough parking and it's difficult to have people over	10/6/2022 10:33 PM
41	No	10/6/2022 9:42 PM
42	Metro beach is very crowded and frequented by nonresidents, Metro is the only park I know of in the township.	10/6/2022 9:18 PM
43	I really have no input to provide	10/6/2022 8:53 PM
44	Basketball courts in huron pointe and throughout the twp	10/6/2022 7:47 PM
45	There is enough! But all the traffic from people coming from everywhere make it annoying in the summer. Should have higher prices for those outside of the city and higher yet for outside of the county. And maybe have one or 2 days a week for RESIDENTS ONLY	10/6/2022 7:35 PM
46	I hope no one ever builds on the land surrounding 16 Mile and the marsh by s river road	10/6/2022 7:06 PM
47	N/A	10/6/2022 7:03 PM
48	Parks are good	10/6/2022 6:45 PM
49	The St Clair Metro Park is a wonderful presence in our township but is not easily accessible by bike or foot due to the lack of sidewalks and bike trails in most of the Township.	10/6/2022 6:45 PM
50	no comment	10/6/2022 6:38 PM
51	Anywhere	10/6/2022 6:28 PM
52	I'd love to see some better hiking trails. In the woods. More scenery.	10/6/2022 6:02 PM
53	Open lot on jefferson and ponchartrain	10/6/2022 5:05 PM
54	The woods that were donated.	10/6/2022 4:36 PM

Q10 Based on what you may know or have heard or read about recreational programs and facilities that are provided in neighboring cities/townships or other parts of Southeast Michigan, would you say that the programs provided in Harrison Township are better, worse, or about the same as programs provided in other areas?

Answered: 186 Skipped: 32



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Much better	2.69% 5
Somewhat better	8.06% 15
About the same	20.43% 38
Somewhat worse	40.32% 75
Much worse	16.13% 30
Undecided/Don't know	12.37% 23
TOTAL	186

#	PLEASE FEEL FREE TO EXPAND UPON YOUR ANSWER.	DATE
1	Significantly worse than any oakland county communities. We need to lead the way for MacombCounty on recreation	11/11/2022 6:06 PM
2	Senior things not to aware of stuff	11/1/2022 8:33 PM
3	Zero maintenance is the problem. I've invited St. Clair Shores residents to walk with me and	11/1/2022 11:49 AM

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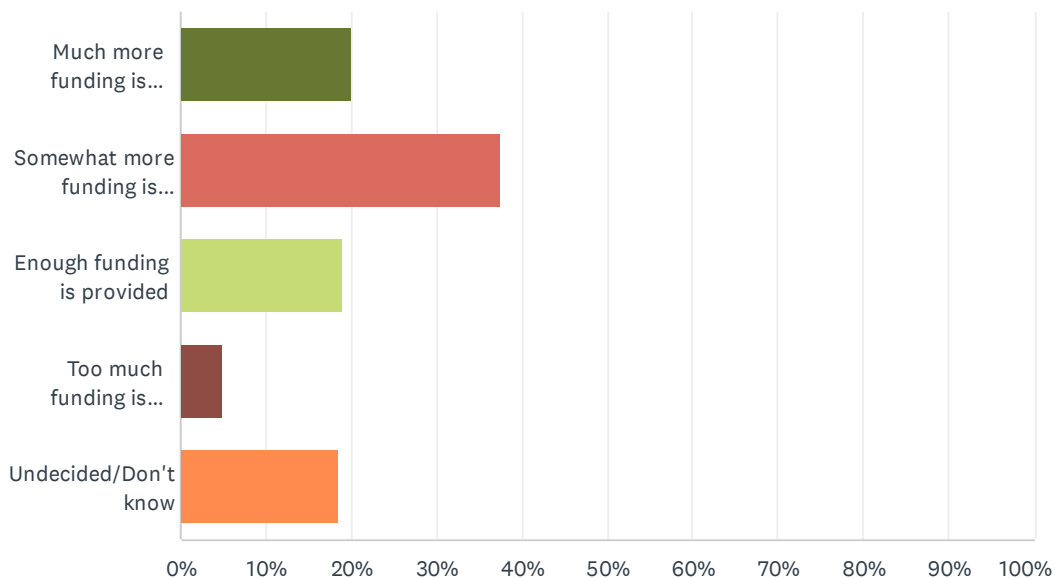
	no one ever wants to return siting the lack of walkability on the pavement.	
4	Clinton Township is a good example.	11/1/2022 9:15 AM
5	We moved from Clinton Township. They had more than Harrison Township.	11/1/2022 12:00 AM
6	I think there should be more activities for younger children	10/31/2022 3:39 PM
7	It seems to have less programs	10/28/2022 10:47 PM
8	My husband and I never had any complaints about the recreational facilities.	10/28/2022 9:08 PM
9	Good for our size but can always do more	10/28/2022 2:39 PM
10	But we do venture to St Clair Shores a lot because the have lots going on at Blossom Health. Farmers markets, food truck rally's, concerts in the park, etc. If HTP has these They don't advertise it well.	10/28/2022 9:34 AM
11	Our parks are not kept up	10/27/2022 10:35 AM
12	Look at clinton township, macomb, even st clair shores. Large indoor facilities to host bigger events	10/27/2022 9:01 AM
13	Unaware of what other townships offer	10/26/2022 10:03 PM
14	Never see anything advertised. Farm Markets? Festivals?	10/26/2022 9:47 PM
15	Seawall and boardwalk unsafe at waterfront park. Finish bike trails and bike access on spillway bridge on Jefferson.	10/26/2022 9:11 PM
16	We offer very few things to do. One thing my family enjoyed was the truck or treat at Tucker Park. This year it merged with metro beach. It should have stayed at Tucker park for residents. The Christmas celebration is small town and my family loves it. It great to see our neighbors throughout the community.	10/26/2022 8:12 PM
17	I don't really hear about many activities from parks and rec.	10/26/2022 8:10 PM
18	Only when it comes to youth athletic programs. Even cities such as Roseville and Eastpointe have youth athletic programs in parks and rec. Clinton Twp and New Baltimore also have many programs.	10/26/2022 7:55 PM
19	Compared to larger townships near us, Clinton and Macomb, we do not have the exercise facilities and limited senior activities. I realize these places are much bigger and have much greater revenue than Htwp	10/25/2022 5:41 PM
20	Clinton Township and Mount Clemens seem more devoted to holiday celebrations (like fireworks). St. Clair Shores has their residents' park open year-round (unlike Waterfront Park).	10/20/2022 11:27 AM
21	I hear about Sterling Heights doing things, I hear about Clinton Township doing things. You never hear about stuff in Harrison Twp. However, with the Metro park right here...	10/20/2022 10:55 AM
22	Not sure about the quality, but the quantity is certainly lower.	10/19/2022 9:38 PM
23	Until the offices are located in a better highlighted location everything will continue to be back burnered in the publics eye.	10/19/2022 9:24 PM
24	Without a paid department, resources are limited so they do what they can.	10/10/2022 12:49 PM
25	Stony Creek does a much better job at keeping everything clean. Plus the trails they have are amazing for biking and walking, which brings more people in.	10/10/2022 8:11 AM
26	We need more programs, and a larger facility.	10/9/2022 7:29 PM
27	We have very little public space (basically only waterfront park, the playground on south river and the areas in and surrounding tucker). Our major need is for an indoor event space - like what we used to have at townhall before the library (I like the library, just miss that space). Preferably the space would be 'cool/trendy' and worthy of nice events like baby showers and team banquets (not like the senior center space).	10/8/2022 11:27 PM
28	I just feel they are limited in Harrison township because other neighboring cities are bigger and more established with their recreational departments so they have more to offer like sports clinics through schools	10/8/2022 7:08 PM

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29	There are less options.	10/7/2022 11:54 PM
30	Programs AND Facilities! Don't forget about the word facilities in the second half of your question. We are better in facilities but, need more. However, we can't just accept grants and other money from governments and people if we don't PLAN on properly maintaining these FACILITIES! Proper maintenance and construction needs to be addressed with the money taken/given. Details matter...	10/7/2022 11:15 AM
31	We don't have funding for our parks and recreation programs. The community voted "No" in the early 2000's. We have to ask for donations from businesses to have monthly events for our community. Kudos to the people that do this - but our residents deserve so much more.	10/7/2022 9:26 AM
32	St. Clair Shores and G.P. do a wonderful job with recreational programs and facilities.	10/7/2022 7:43 AM
33	Wish the library had more	10/6/2022 10:33 PM
34	We have metro beach	10/6/2022 7:47 PM
35	We don't seem to have the programs but we also have metro beach in our backyard	10/6/2022 7:06 PM
36	We do not have the rec facilities/programs comparable to St Clair Shores, Clinton Twp, Macomb Twp. Mount Clemens is now bringing recreation back and we are behind them. We have very nice, but limited special events put on by volunteers.	10/6/2022 6:57 PM
37	Township parks and recreational facilities are almost nonexistent in Harrison. Many other communities in the immediate area have health and recreational facilities, parks, and planned activities for patrons of all ages.	10/6/2022 6:45 PM
38	Other communities have hired employees dedicated to the planning and implementing of activities yielding more programming more often	10/6/2022 6:28 PM

Q11 What is your belief about the funding needed to support the current and desired recreational programs, activities and facilities in Harrison Township?

Answered: 184 Skipped: 34



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Much more funding is needed	20.11% 37
Somewhat more funding is needed	37.50% 69
Enough funding is provided	19.02% 35
Too much funding is provided	4.89% 9
Undecided/Don't know	18.48% 34
TOTAL	184

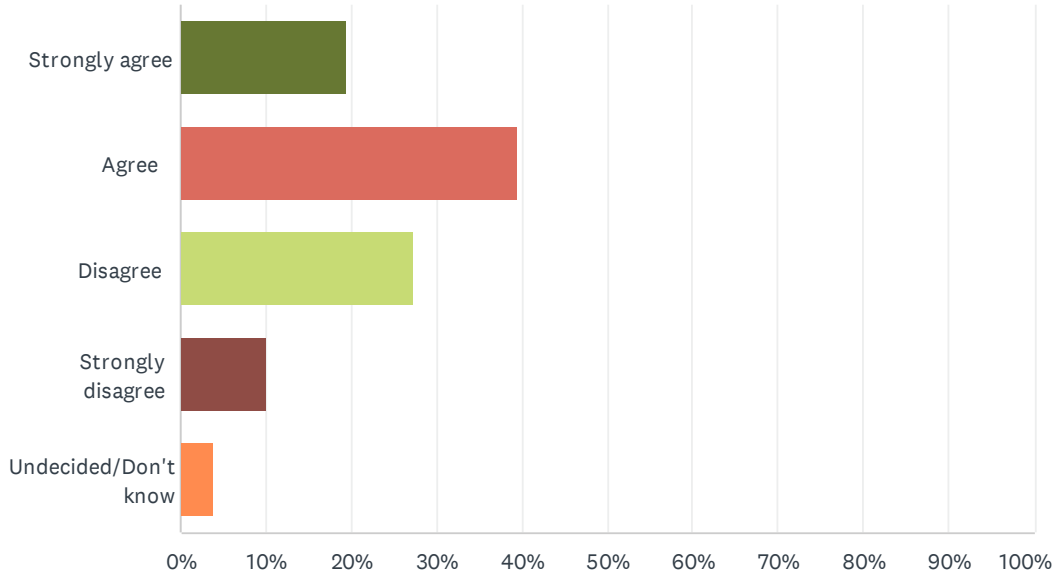
#	PLEASE FEEL FREE TO EXPAND UPON YOUR ANSWER.	DATE
1	Grants!	11/1/2022 10:24 PM
2	Residents probably don't want to have an increase in their taxes, but maybe the Township Board could find a way to make appropriate readjustments in the budget.	10/28/2022 9:08 PM
3	Transparency is needed with available funding and grants that are currently available, pending, and awarded. Keep an up to date progress report for current projects and grants, easily available for resident reference.	10/28/2022 2:39 PM
4	Funds should be provided and applied for planting more trees in the township.	10/28/2022 9:32 AM
5	We are in a recession!!!! Do not try to stick it to the residents.	10/27/2022 8:01 PM
6	Dont know what the budget is right now and where it is used	10/27/2022 9:01 AM
7	Have no idea of budget. I do believe that some parks couldn't be maintained because of	10/26/2022 9:47 PM

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	budgets.	
8	Not that I want my taxes to go up but if having more activities throughout our town for our residents took place, then I would pay for it.	10/26/2022 8:12 PM
9	Of course if more funding is needed that means more taxes. I would support it thru fundraisers but, not sure I'd vote to increase taxes at this time.	10/26/2022 8:10 PM
10	Use COVID money wisely. Stop spending just to spend.	10/26/2022 7:23 PM
11	DO NOT RAISE OUR TAXES FOR THIS	10/25/2022 5:41 PM
12	However, Metro beach has many activities and HTP residents should get free park passes. Use the HTP monies to support passes for residents.	10/20/2022 6:39 AM
13	Sponsorships and fee based programs can reduce the cost to the township	10/19/2022 9:38 PM
14	I feel like if funding was already there it would be getting done	10/8/2022 7:08 PM
15	Obviously, more funding is needed because we don't "properly" maintain our facilities on a regular basis. Perhaps, we should buy/fund a "light weight" tractor with a rotary brush to help clear the pathways in the winter, instead of destroying them with heavy motor maintenance vehicles in which the asphalt pathways were never designed for. It's not a road construction pavement design! We need to properly take care of our facilities, not add more to the destruction. Simple things like yellow centerlines and white side lines make a big difference. More signs!	10/7/2022 11:15 AM
16	It appears that people in Harrison Township want to pay the minimal for services.	10/7/2022 7:43 AM
17	Allocate to the most used	10/6/2022 10:33 PM
18	Do not raise taxes or ask for a millage	10/6/2022 7:47 PM
19	Absolutely no more taxes!!!!	10/6/2022 7:06 PM
20	Pay a couple of bands	10/6/2022 6:45 PM
21	I am not going to hold my breath to see any robust Recreational programs instituted since people are not willing to maintain our roads or even support our library.	10/6/2022 6:45 PM

Q12 What is your level of agreement with the following statement: It is convenient and safe for me to access the nearest Township park by walking or biking from my home.

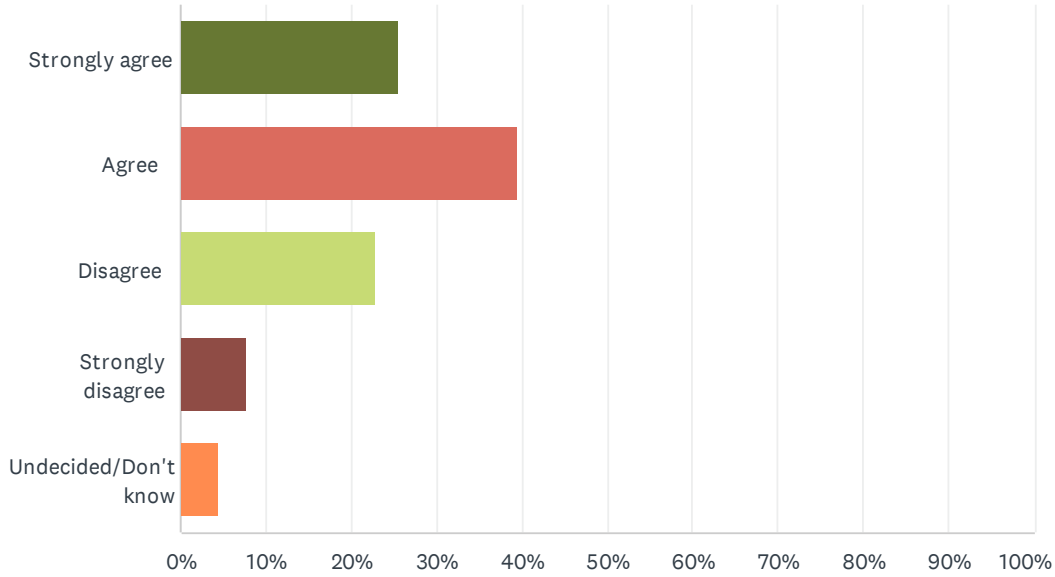
Answered: 180 Skipped: 38



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	19.44%	35
Agree	39.44%	71
Disagree	27.22%	49
Strongly disagree	10.00%	18
Undecided/Don't know	3.89%	7
TOTAL		180

Q13 What is your level of agreement with the following statement: It is convenient and safe for me to access the nearest non-motorized pathway by walking or biking from my home.

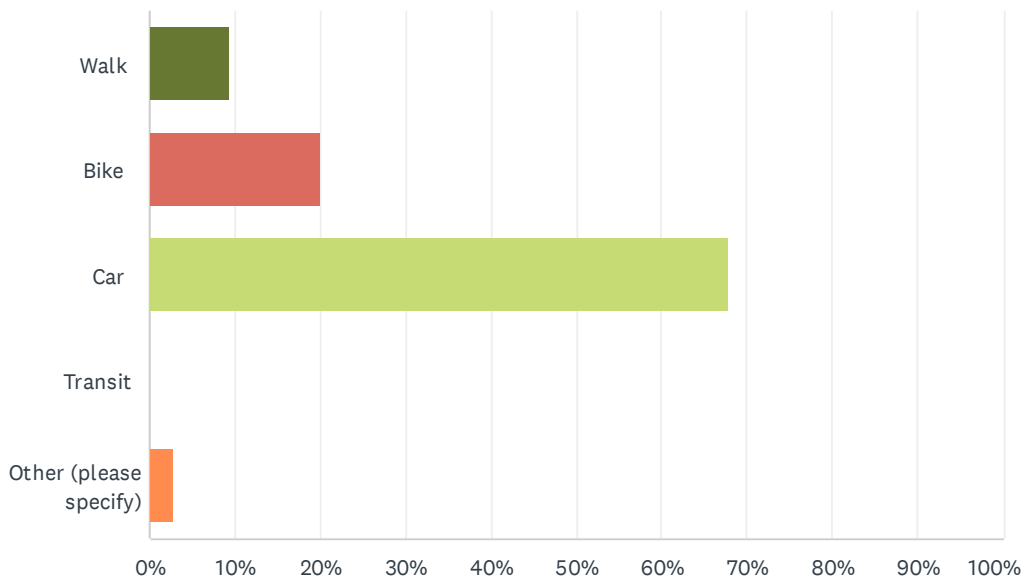
Answered: 180 Skipped: 38



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	25.56%	46
Agree	39.44%	71
Disagree	22.78%	41
Strongly disagree	7.78%	14
Undecided/Don't know	4.44%	8
TOTAL		180

Q14 How do you or members of your household most commonly get to parks and recreation facilities within the Township?

Answered: 180 Skipped: 38



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	9.44%	17
Bike	20.00%	36
Car	67.78%	122
Transit	0.00%	0
Other (please specify)	2.78%	5
TOTAL		180

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	We don't go. It's getting scary.	10/30/2022 8:37 AM
2	We have roller bladed to get there.	10/28/2022 9:11 PM
3	Walk and bike	10/26/2022 8:14 PM
4	Walk to the nearest park; drive to the little park on Jefferson and the Metropark	10/20/2022 11:30 AM
5	don't use because unaware of availability	10/6/2022 8:30 PM

Q15 What are the most common barriers that you or members of your household face when trying to access Township parks or park facilities?

Answered: 138 Skipped: 80

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	No bike lanes on jefferson. Path is always flooded.We need to do better	11/11/2022 6:07 PM
2	No real barriers	11/10/2022 12:37 PM
3	Traffic, there aren't enough sideways to walk safely. Walking on the shoulder of roads is extremely dangerous for children.	11/3/2022 7:45 PM
4	None	11/1/2022 10:25 PM
5	I live in area with out side walks	11/1/2022 8:35 PM
6	Cars speeding,	11/1/2022 6:39 PM
7	Not enough sidewalks!	11/1/2022 3:31 PM
8	There are no sidewalks or bike path available to use from my side division	11/1/2022 12:25 PM
9	NO SIDEWALKS	11/1/2022 11:50 AM
10	Need sidewalks to get the the paths.	11/1/2022 11:50 AM
11	There are not enough signalized pedestrian crossings. Trying to access the pedestrian path along S. River from Bridgeview is dangerous. The traffic signal needs to be active to allow for a safe crossing.	11/1/2022 9:19 AM
12	None	11/1/2022 8:00 AM
13	South River Rd does not have sidewalks through to the DNR launch and the stop sign at single lane bridge is not always followed. This ours Me and my dogs at risk	11/1/2022 12:02 AM
14	No city sidewalks	10/31/2022 10:24 PM
15	Parking space Many areas are without sidewalks	10/31/2022 9:36 PM
16	The Township does not have quality recreational park facilities. I would love for the money to be diverted from the library to park facilities and beautification of these facilities.	10/31/2022 9:23 PM
17	Traffic Don't feel safe to bike	10/31/2022 7:22 PM
18	Discontinuous sidewalks. Lack of courtesy from drivers on roads without sidewalks (i.e. Lakeshore, excessive speeding, no space given to bikers)	10/31/2022 6:31 PM
19	park in south harrison twp is often closed, metro park passes are getting too expensive.	10/31/2022 6:25 PM
20	None	10/31/2022 4:57 PM
21	none	10/31/2022 4:42 PM
22	Motorists do not follow crosswalk state law. No one is yielding for pedestrians at the designated crosswalks	10/31/2022 4:41 PM
23	If Lake st clair metro park is considered a township park then there are no barriers	10/31/2022 3:41 PM
24	additional stop signs/traffic light	10/31/2022 2:35 PM
25	We have no private parks for just residents	10/31/2022 2:27 PM
26	Need to work because of high property taxes	10/31/2022 2:25 PM
27	Too much kids hanging out. Drugs and vagrants	10/30/2022 8:37 AM

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28	None	10/28/2022 10:47 PM
29	None.	10/28/2022 9:11 PM
30	Paths to access parks from my location without taking high traffic streets(south river and lanse creuse).	10/28/2022 2:42 PM
31	Traffic into Metro Park can back up for miles. We will bike or park outside and walk in.	10/28/2022 9:35 AM
32	Drivers that are speeding.	10/28/2022 9:33 AM
33	We do not feel safe to ride our bikes.	10/27/2022 8:02 PM
34	Lack of access-- bike paths in the neighborhoods/connecting various parks and areas would be a HUGE asset to Harrison Township.	10/27/2022 4:50 PM
35	Parking	10/27/2022 4:22 PM
36	Dirt roads	10/27/2022 3:34 PM
37	Motorized vehicles on the non motorized pathway & vehicles blocking the paths	10/27/2022 12:45 PM
38	Closed all winter	10/27/2022 10:54 AM
39	They are not open	10/27/2022 10:36 AM
40	Is it open?	10/27/2022 9:03 AM
41	Bike paths	10/27/2022 8:57 AM
42	Where are the parks?	10/27/2022 8:55 AM
43	Nine	10/27/2022 8:33 AM
44	No sidewalks. Dangerous motorists on South River. Poor road conditions (rain/snow ruins walking opportunities on dirt/gravel).	10/27/2022 7:55 AM
45	Don't know where they are located	10/27/2022 7:17 AM
46	No sidewalks to get there, nothing in walking distance	10/27/2022 5:58 AM
47	None	10/26/2022 11:10 PM
48	None	10/26/2022 10:04 PM
49	The only one I really know of is Metro. Only been here since March though.	10/26/2022 9:48 PM
50	Walkways	10/26/2022 9:40 PM
51	None	10/26/2022 9:40 PM
52	When On bikes, crossing streets can be slow, and caution should be used when crossing some of our streets.	10/26/2022 9:32 PM
53	Sidewalks	10/26/2022 9:19 PM
54	Crossing 16 Mile	10/26/2022 9:15 PM
55	Bridge access	10/26/2022 9:13 PM
56	Location and what those parks offer	10/26/2022 9:11 PM
57	Na	10/26/2022 8:54 PM
58	None	10/26/2022 8:45 PM
59	There is a major lack of side walks in this township. I do not feel safe biking with my children to any parks in the township. The sidewalk is only partially down north river road by Selfridge. It does not connect to the streets and subdivisions.	10/26/2022 8:45 PM
60	Not many parks	10/26/2022 8:41 PM
61	The walkway on the spillway off of Jefferson is crumbling and a walking hazard. I don't feel safe being so close to oncoming traffic	10/26/2022 8:37 PM

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62	None	10/26/2022 8:16 PM
63	No problem	10/26/2022 8:14 PM
64	The bike path does not follow through all of Harrison township. North river road needs access to south river road. We would love to ride our bikes to the restaurants on North River road	10/26/2022 8:14 PM
65	None. I believe we have 2 parks; Tucker & waterfront.	10/26/2022 8:14 PM
66	I don't know of any	10/26/2022 8:13 PM
67	Roads that are in poor shape	10/26/2022 8:12 PM
68	Parking	10/26/2022 8:12 PM
69	Not within walking distance	10/26/2022 8:11 PM
70	Traffic. Crossing South River can be a challenge.	10/26/2022 8:05 PM
71	The park by us on Jefferson before shook is already closed....	10/26/2022 7:58 PM
72	Crossing both Jefferson or Shook roads	10/26/2022 7:57 PM
73	None	10/26/2022 7:56 PM
74	NONE	10/26/2022 7:55 PM
75	Getting safely over metro parkway	10/26/2022 7:48 PM
76	None	10/26/2022 7:46 PM
77	Sometimes it's hard to get to on bikes. Lots of roads with no sidewalks.	10/26/2022 7:36 PM
78	None	10/26/2022 7:34 PM
79	Traffick. Need more crossings between crocker and Jefferson. Bikers need to be more alert	10/26/2022 7:25 PM
80	Having to drive to the park itself	10/26/2022 8:07 AM
81	They are closed most of the spring and fall and all winter	10/25/2022 5:40 PM
82	Traffic is a barrier to all but one of the parks that I can use. Lack of bike lanes on city streets is a barrier too.	10/25/2022 5:33 PM
83	Waterfront park is closed during the cooler seasons. It also needs to open earlier (like dawn) and close later.	10/20/2022 11:30 AM
84	The Metro Park has so much more to offer	10/20/2022 10:56 AM
85	Metro beach has everything I need	10/20/2022 6:42 AM
86	Gravel roads, paved roads with no safe shoulders or sidewalks	10/19/2022 9:36 PM
87	No bike access	10/19/2022 9:26 PM
88	N/a	10/19/2022 4:25 PM
89	None	10/14/2022 10:01 AM
90	Too far of a walk	10/13/2022 5:57 PM
91	Time, and knowledge of where they are, besides metro beach	10/10/2022 7:29 PM
92	Crossing major roads by bike	10/10/2022 4:53 PM
93	Other than the bike path on South River there are no sidewalks in our area. There are no bike lanes on the roads other than 16 mile.	10/10/2022 3:30 PM
94	Distance	10/10/2022 12:49 PM
95	We have to cross 16 mile road at St hubert's to reach the bike path, and the curve there makes crossing feel dangerous. I wish they put a crosswalk light there, similar to the Northpointe crossing. The sidewalk does not extend along the north side of 16 so it is very dangerous to try and get to a crossing light from where we are located.	10/10/2022 8:15 AM

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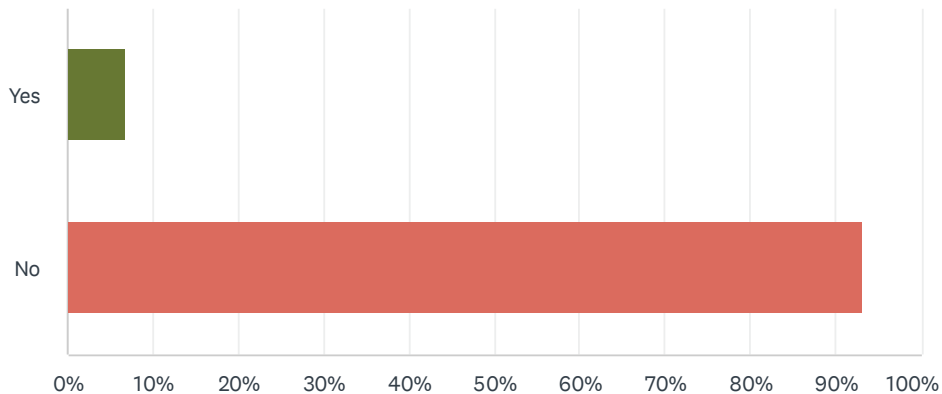
96	None	10/9/2022 10:30 PM
97	It is hard to bike or walk anywhere from the center of the township due to muddy, bumpy, potholes, ice, and poorly maintained roads.	10/9/2022 7:32 PM
98	Where are they ???	10/9/2022 7:35 AM
99	our nearest park is the metro park which we can walk or bike to as well as drive.	10/9/2022 6:00 AM
100	Traffic and sheer number of people	10/8/2022 9:13 PM
101	Areas of bike path that need replacing	10/8/2022 8:58 PM
102	Crossing main roads	10/8/2022 7:09 PM
103	none	10/8/2022 8:19 AM
104	Distance is definitely a factor.	10/7/2022 11:56 PM
105	We need safer bike paths on Jefferson to great to the beach	10/7/2022 6:57 PM
106	None	10/7/2022 3:16 PM
107	Distance from home and being able to get there without having to drive are our most common challenges.	10/7/2022 1:02 PM
108	Hazardous intersections with dangerous "Detectable Warning Tracks" that can cause a pedestrian to trip or injure themselves while crossing over these sharp objects. I can't even imagine a legally blind person (in which they were designed for) maneuvering around these sharp tracks that our very own maintenance crews helped destroy. This also poses a hazard to people on Bikes ie. flat tires etc.	10/7/2022 11:25 AM
109	We do not face any barriers currently - but that doesn't mean that in the future and as we age - that situation could certainly change.	10/7/2022 9:27 AM
110	none at the moment	10/7/2022 8:33 AM
111	Lakeshore is dangerous and not worth an injury on a bike. It's sad to see people of all ages risking their lives walking or biking on Lakeshore.	10/7/2022 7:45 AM
112	Need more pathways for kids to bike to school safely!!!	10/6/2022 11:07 PM
113	Lack of sidewalks in some areas.	10/6/2022 10:34 PM
114	Bad roads....	10/6/2022 9:43 PM
115	No sidewalk or even bike lane in the hoha subdivision. Making it impossible to safely ride your bike out of the sub. Grant money for widened roads or sidewalks in that community should be pursued.	10/6/2022 9:28 PM
116	A fair amount of traffic surrounding Metro beach, often times it's too congested and don't feel safe with all the crazy motorists!	10/6/2022 9:21 PM
117	No sidewalks to access easily the whole way to the park	10/6/2022 9:07 PM
118	Too dangerous to walk or bike in my area	10/6/2022 8:55 PM
119	The bike path does not run along Jefferson between Metro Parkway and the spillway. I would have to ride or walk on the road with my young son and that isn't an option for me with the way people drive around here.	10/6/2022 8:42 PM
120	not knowing they exist	10/6/2022 8:30 PM
121	Time, we're already busy enough	10/6/2022 7:49 PM
122	Crowded with people from everywhere	10/6/2022 7:36 PM
123	None. No barriers	10/6/2022 7:07 PM
124	N/A	10/6/2022 7:04 PM
125	Indoor facilities not available other than senior center. Lack of amenities other than playgrounds.	10/6/2022 7:01 PM

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126	N/A	10/6/2022 6:57 PM
127	Better side walks out in Venetian neighborhood	10/6/2022 6:48 PM
128	Distance and inability to access by foot or bicycle. Also there are minimal public communications regarding location and programs offered.	10/6/2022 6:48 PM
129	Sometimes concerned about the lack of supervision at the parks. There are no park attendants, and often enough they don't feel safe.	10/6/2022 6:31 PM
130	None	10/6/2022 6:28 PM
131	Na	10/6/2022 5:52 PM
132	Harrison Township Waterfront Park is closed for the winter. Providing winter access to Lake St Clair should be a priority.	10/6/2022 5:18 PM
133	Distance	10/6/2022 5:06 PM
134	No barriers bother me.	10/6/2022 4:43 PM
135	too far	10/6/2022 4:40 PM
136	Closed gates or available parking.	10/6/2022 4:37 PM
137	Sidewalks to get to the park	10/6/2022 4:34 PM
138	Limited parking	10/6/2022 4:24 PM

Q16 Do you or any members of your household have a disability that limits access to Township parks or park facilities?

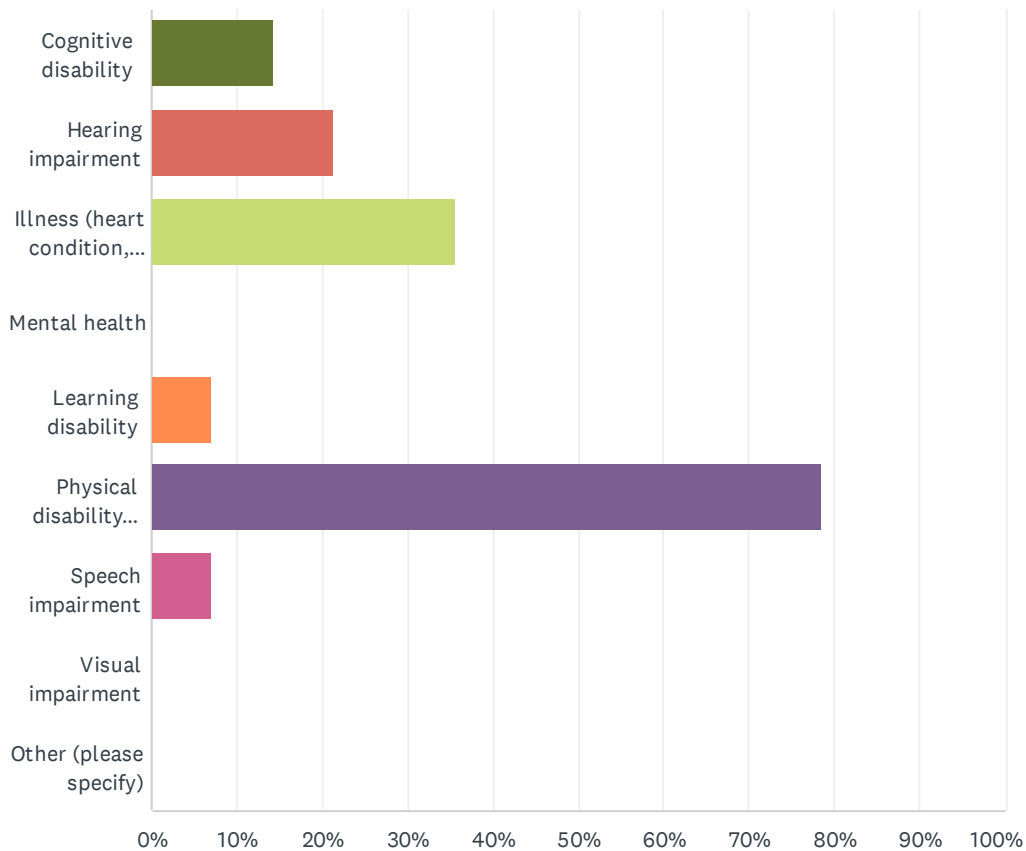
Answered: 177 Skipped: 41



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	6.78%	12
No	93.22%	165
TOTAL		177

Q17 So that we can develop accommodations for all users of Harrison Township parks, we would like to know a little more about the nature of the disability. Please indicate from the list below all disabilities that apply.

Answered: 14 Skipped: 204



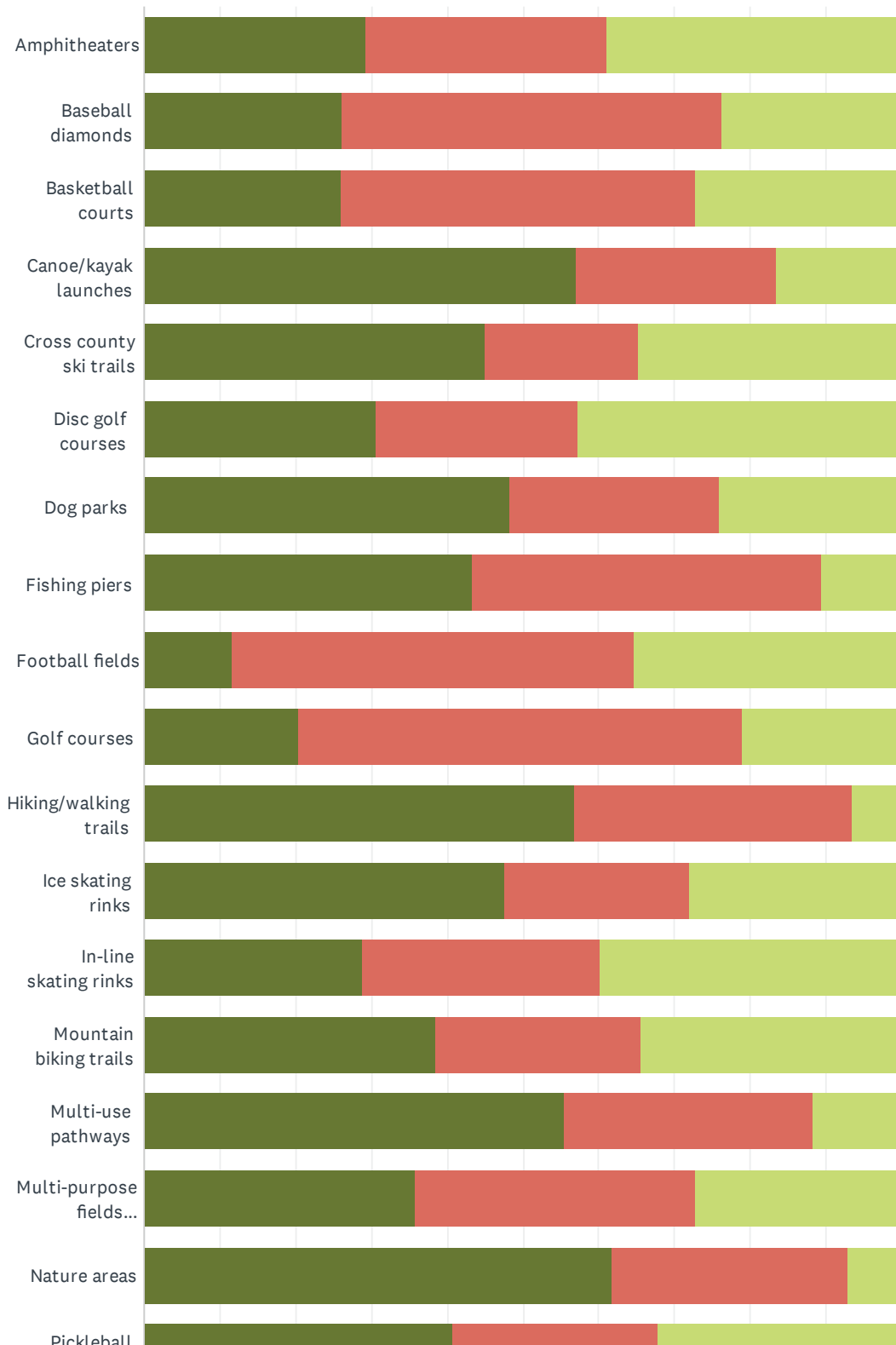
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Cognitive disability	14.29%	2
Hearing impairment	21.43%	3
Illness (heart condition, diabetes, cancer, etc)	35.71%	5
Mental health	0.00%	0
Learning disability	7.14%	1
Physical disability (mobility problems)	78.57%	11
Speech impairment	7.14%	1
Visual impairment	0.00%	0
Other (please specify)	0.00%	0
Total Respondents: 14		

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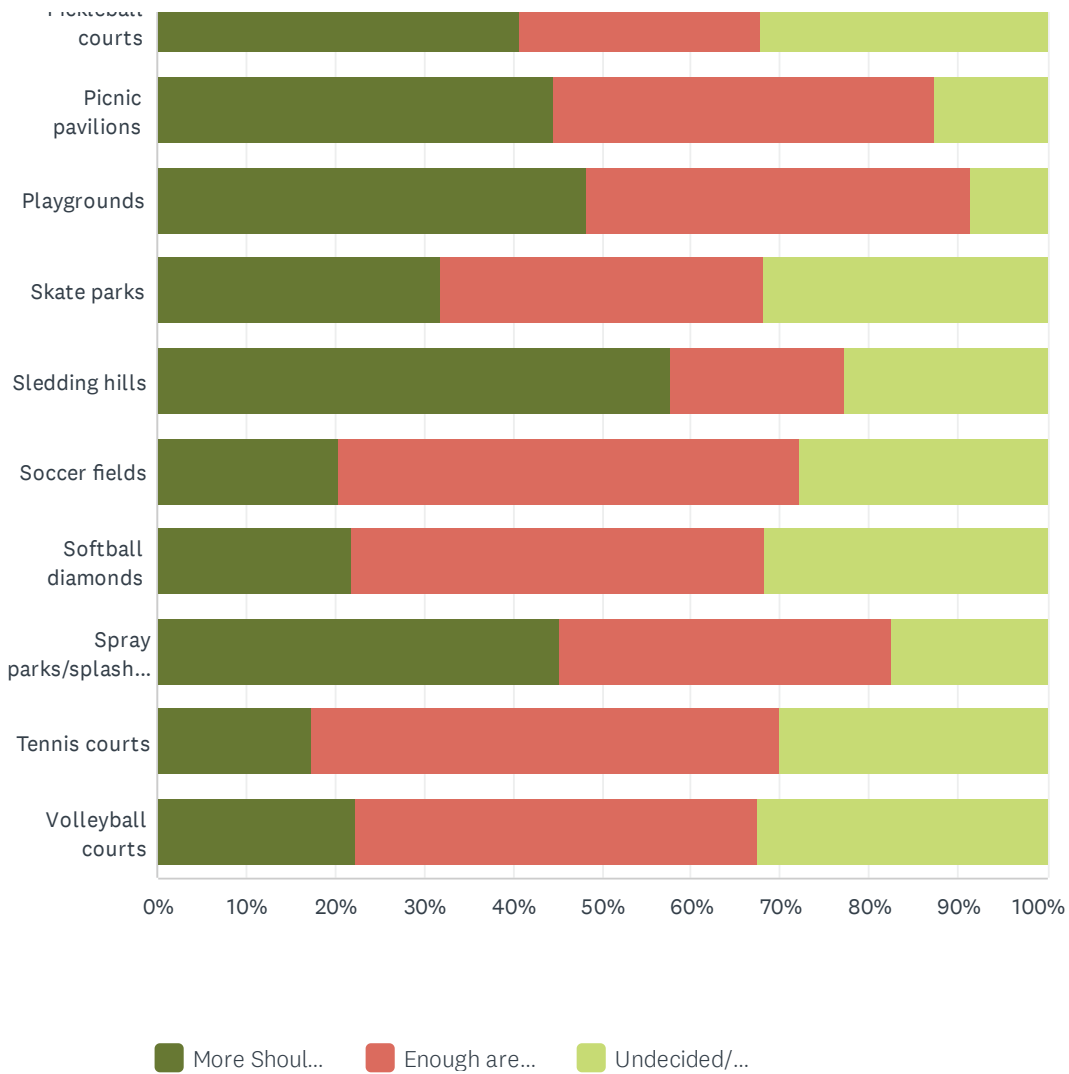
#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
	There are no responses.	

Q18 The following list includes several specific types of recreational facilities. For each facility listed, please mark the answer that best represents your opinion related to the amount of each facility available.

Answered: 175 Skipped: 43



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	MORE SHOULD BE DEVELOPED	ENOUGH ARE AVAILABLE	UNDECIDED/DON'T KNOW	TOTAL
Amphitheatres	29.30% 46	31.85% 50	38.85% 61	157
Baseball diamonds	26.19% 44	50.00% 84	23.81% 40	168
Basketball courts	25.90% 43	46.99% 78	27.11% 45	166
Canoe/kayak launches	57.06% 97	26.47% 45	16.47% 28	170
Cross county ski trails	44.91% 75	20.36% 34	34.73% 58	167
Disc golf courses	30.72% 51	26.51% 44	42.77% 71	166
Dog parks	48.24% 82	27.65% 47	24.12% 41	170
Fishing piers	43.45% 73	45.83% 77	10.71% 18	168
Football fields	11.59% 19	53.05% 87	35.37% 58	164
Golf courses	20.48% 34	58.43% 97	21.08% 35	166
Hiking/walking trails	56.80% 96	36.69% 62	6.51% 11	169
Ice skating rinks	47.62% 80	24.40% 41	27.98% 47	168
In-line skating rinks	28.83% 47	31.29% 51	39.88% 65	163
Mountain biking trails	38.46% 65	27.22% 46	34.32% 58	169
Multi-use pathways	55.49% 91	32.93% 54	11.59% 19	164
Multi-purpose fields (football, soccer, field hockey, lacrosse, etc.)	35.76% 59	36.97% 61	27.27% 45	165
Nature areas	61.68% 103	31.14% 52	7.19% 12	167
Pickleball courts	40.61% 67	27.27% 45	32.12% 53	165
Picnic pavilions	44.58% 74	42.77% 71	12.65% 21	166
Playgrounds	48.17% 79	43.29% 71	8.54% 14	164
Skate parks	31.90% 52	36.20% 59	31.90% 52	163
Sledding hills	57.74% 97	19.64% 33	22.62% 38	168
Soccer fields	20.37% 33	51.85% 84	27.78% 45	162

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Softball diamonds	21.95% 36	46.34% 76	31.71% 52	164
Spray parks/splash pads	45.18% 75	37.35% 62	17.47% 29	166
Tennis courts	17.47% 29	52.41% 87	30.12% 50	166
Volleyball courts	22.29% 37	45.18% 75	32.53% 54	166

Q19 Are there any other recreational facilities that were not listed that you or other members of your family would be interested in now or in the future? (Write-in up to 3 facilities)

Answered: 63 Skipped: 155

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Pool, Marina,Gym	11/11/2022 6:08 PM
2	Nope	11/10/2022 12:39 PM
3	We need a dog park.	11/9/2022 10:02 AM
4	Swimming Facilities	11/8/2022 11:15 AM
5	The "downtown" development needs to become a reality at the end of Crocker. Pier for walking and fishing and small shops and food shops are MUCH needed. Not only a draw for reside but out-of-towners raising much needed revenue.	11/1/2022 10:30 PM
6	A township pool. a family rec center.	11/1/2022 6:46 PM
7	No	10/31/2022 10:26 PM
8	ORV trails	10/31/2022 8:05 PM
9	swimming pool, golf course	10/31/2022 6:28 PM
10	Bowling alley, indoor volleyball/basketball	10/31/2022 4:43 PM
11	If a splash park then it needs to be resident only. A park similar to that in St. Clair shores with Walking path, playground, splash zone, music and picnic tables. This could then be the host to art fairs and other activities similar to the Shores and then include fun family fall and Christmas activities.	10/31/2022 3:50 PM
12	Video gaming facility	10/31/2022 2:41 PM
13	None - taxes are too high. Instead of more recreation facilities, lower my taxes	10/31/2022 2:27 PM
14	Hiking paths with exercise stations.	10/30/2022 8:40 AM
15	No	10/28/2022 9:17 PM
16	Subsidized equipment rentals	10/28/2022 2:45 PM
17	Township swimming pool-residents only. Corn hole stations Our door drive up movie's theatre (doesn't have to be permanent....but pop up twice a month.	10/28/2022 9:46 AM
18	Permanent Canoe Business	10/28/2022 9:35 AM
19	HT is a wonderful community. Disc golf is my family's favorite sport and I have helped promote a course at Metrobeach.	10/28/2022 7:13 AM
20	No	10/27/2022 8:35 AM
21	No	10/27/2022 7:56 AM
22	Bus trips Yoga More classes at senior center.	10/27/2022 7:24 AM
23	Pool	10/27/2022 5:59 AM
24	More pool access / or bigger pool Indoor /outdoor golf / putt putt	10/26/2022 11:14 PM
25	Pool	10/26/2022 10:20 PM
26	I am very very pleased with our Metro Park. My needs are few at this time in my life, but I do so enjoy walking the paths, being near the water, etc.	10/26/2022 10:08 PM

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27	That is someones' wish list. Most of those would take a lot of money.	10/26/2022 9:50 PM
28	Residents only parks	10/26/2022 9:43 PM
29	Suggest improvements to boat wells at metro park. Boaters are using the bays to anchor vs using boat wells for places to visit.	10/26/2022 9:39 PM
30	No	10/26/2022 9:20 PM
31	Just regular bicycle riding	10/26/2022 9:16 PM
32	Swimming	10/26/2022 8:57 PM
33	Indoor pool Workout center	10/26/2022 8:36 PM
34	When I think of recreational facilities I often include metro beach as part of what Harrison Twp has to offer. I can't think of anything else to add.	10/26/2022 8:23 PM
35	No	10/26/2022 8:17 PM
36	Dog park. Neighborhood park benches on corners. Place in neighborhoods for food trucks.	10/26/2022 8:14 PM
37	Indoor facilities, a pool bith indoor and outdoor	10/26/2022 8:00 PM
38	Indoor soccer/golf course	10/26/2022 7:37 PM
39	Maybe somewhere indoors where people can get together to do hobbies	10/26/2022 8:13 AM
40	I don't want new facilities until the ones we have are improved and maintained.	10/20/2022 11:43 AM
41	I didn't see any recreational facilities listed in this survey.	10/19/2022 9:29 PM
42	Yoga Meditation Outdoor gym area	10/19/2022 4:30 PM
43	Farmers Market at Tucker Park on weekends would be great.	10/14/2022 10:04 AM
44	No	10/10/2022 3:32 PM
45	No	10/10/2022 12:51 PM
46	No	10/9/2022 10:32 PM
47	ymca type facility with indoor pool	10/9/2022 6:03 AM
48	Indoor event facility.	10/8/2022 11:29 PM
49	Swimming facility / community center /	10/8/2022 7:12 PM
50	swimming pool	10/7/2022 1:04 PM
51	- Golf Cart Depository, because they are not allowed on the pathways. Stay in your Golf Course or Marina... - Community Connection Depots (Gathering Areas) along connected Hike/Bike Pathways. ie. Trailheads - Indoor Swimming Pool and Fitness Center,	10/7/2022 11:43 AM
52	Work out area like St. Clair Shores provides in senior facility.	10/7/2022 8:35 AM
53	Bike paths so kids can bike to school safely!!!	10/6/2022 11:09 PM
54	Disc golf, soccer, pickleball, ice rink are all great ideas!	10/6/2022 9:30 PM
55	A community center	10/6/2022 8:46 PM
56	Firearms range - pistol, skeet Archery range E-coli free beach, boating area for swimming/mooring	10/6/2022 7:55 PM
57	I think there are enough, the whole area is like a park now	10/6/2022 7:09 PM
58	N/A	10/6/2022 7:06 PM
59	N/A	10/6/2022 7:02 PM
60	Community center for large and small meetings and events	10/6/2022 6:38 PM
61	Township ran year around lake access	10/6/2022 5:20 PM

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62	Boat launch	10/6/2022 5:07 PM
63	Go carts, horse back riding	10/6/2022 4:47 PM

Q20 Is there anything else you would like to add related to recreational programs, facilities and activities within Harrison Township?

Answered: 88 Skipped: 130

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	We are severely lacking compared to other communities. Without the Metro park we would have nothing. Our waterfront park is an embarrassment compared to anything in SCS or the Grosse Pointes	11/11/2022 6:10 PM
2	No	11/10/2022 12:39 PM
3	We need a dog park.	11/9/2022 10:02 AM
4	See previous response	11/1/2022 10:32 PM
5	I love living in this township let's try and keep it a family community	11/1/2022 8:39 PM
6	I hate that we're referred by other communities as "HARRISON-TUCKY." Let's change that narrative by beautifying existing our parks/bike paths and fixing our roads. Thank you for listening.	11/1/2022 11:58 AM
7	NO	11/1/2022 11:54 AM
8	I would like to propose extending the asphalt pedestrian path to include Old North River Road.	11/1/2022 9:25 AM
9	Make bike and walking/running trails available throughout the township.	11/1/2022 12:06 AM
10	No	10/31/2022 10:30 PM
11	We have the best park, Metro Beach We don't need more parks that taxpayers have to fund!	10/31/2022 10:08 PM
12	Sidewalk along Lakeshore Dr. to allow safe access to the bike path Some type off fishing and kayak access along Clinton River	10/31/2022 7:31 PM
13	What township parks? There's only the metro park and some fields (i.e. HT waterfront park, morine park)	10/31/2022 6:36 PM
14	it would be nice to have a place to swim besides Metro Beach.	10/31/2022 6:30 PM
15	I didn't know there was a formal Recreation Dept. Who heads it?	10/31/2022 5:02 PM
16	Arts and crafts shows, social district	10/31/2022 4:45 PM
17	Perhaps HT could utilize the bike path more such as trick or treating along the path.	10/31/2022 3:55 PM
18	no	10/31/2022 2:37 PM
19	Lower my taxes	10/31/2022 2:27 PM
20	Parks need some kind of security. The last thing I want to do is take my grandchildren to a park and watch young people make out. Which is why I have not been back to a HT park. South River and Emerick is the worst.	10/30/2022 8:45 AM
21	No	10/28/2022 10:50 PM
22	My husband and I would like to express our gratitude for the 50 years of enjoyment we and our family had together while living in Harrison Township.	10/28/2022 9:21 PM
23	Updates on Harrison Township Park plans. Weren't we awarded a grant to make improvements? Looks terrible from the water and should be improved upon and open for winter.	10/28/2022 2:47 PM
24	Only what I mentioned.	10/28/2022 9:48 AM
25	Since I'm from Royal Oak and grew up in the City, I thoroughly enjoy living on the Clinton River. I would like more programs preserving the wildlife and educational programs for children	10/28/2022 9:37 AM

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and adults teaching respect for these animals. I also like the trash organizations for Earth day but I believe more should be organized.

26	I would love to see Harrison Township become a destination township for younger families. I think sidewalks/access/safety for kids plays a huge role in that. If our kids were able to ride bikes/walk around without having to be on the main busy roads, this would be a huge draw for families to stay in Harrison Township/come to HTP.	10/27/2022 4:53 PM
27	The walking/bike paths in the township are being over run by golf carts. This needs to be policed. The parks need to be safer.	10/27/2022 10:41 AM
28	No	10/27/2022 8:36 AM
29	It's important to invest for the future. Younger families are moving in or already here and replacing older residents who don't utilize rec activities. It's good for morale, getting to know residents, exercise, and capital investment. People want to live where they can access myriad activities/options in their backyard/hometown. The TWP has done nothing since I moved here and I have very young children who I want to introduce numerous activities to when growing up.	10/27/2022 7:59 AM
30	Mountain bike/running trails in the woods	10/27/2022 7:35 AM
31	News letter informing residents of activity available	10/27/2022 7:28 AM
32	indoor swimming indoor track gym	10/27/2022 7:13 AM
33	No	10/27/2022 6:00 AM
34	Love the park and it's activities. Hats off to all who help maintain it!	10/26/2022 10:09 PM
35	What am I missing? I know of very little programs and facilities.	10/26/2022 9:53 PM
36	I wish we had more of a resident only park similar to SCS memorial park.	10/26/2022 9:43 PM
37	No	10/26/2022 9:20 PM
38	Too long to explain here.	10/26/2022 9:18 PM
39	No	10/26/2022 8:58 PM
40	Please add biking/walking sidewalks and nature trails for hiking and mountain biking. Safe areas north of the river for children to play.	10/26/2022 8:48 PM
41	No	10/26/2022 8:18 PM
42	See. #18	10/26/2022 8:15 PM
43	More activities would be nice.	10/26/2022 8:09 PM
44	More advertisement needed. Sometimes we find out the day of or day after something is scheduled	10/26/2022 8:02 PM
45	You have many great activities and a great community. I feel youth athletics is lacking and parks and rec could really be a great place for young children to begin to learn sports that are played in high school and this would eventually feed into our high school and we'd have more participation and a feeder system to help us develop our programs.	10/26/2022 8:02 PM
46	NO	10/26/2022 7:58 PM
47	More activities for kids to do in the summer. Not camps but classes like art and music.	10/26/2022 7:39 PM
48	Better use of vacant land for recreational purposes	10/26/2022 7:29 PM
49	I don't want "new". Instead, I would be interested in having swimming access and a kayak launch at Waterfront Park. I would be interested in having Waterfront Park's restrooms heated so there is access during the cooler months. I would be interested in having Waterfront park open earlier and close later. I would be interested in having restrooms at the little park on Jefferson that is between Waterfront Park and the Metropark (the one that is near the spillway). Overall, I would like to see improvements in what we already own rather than the development of new places that start to fall into disrepair, too.	10/20/2022 11:45 AM
50	No	10/20/2022 10:57 AM

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51	Yes, Metro breach is a gem, It takes a large area of the township. The activities shown can all be done at Metro. Why add more. Park passes for the HTP residents	10/20/2022 6:47 AM
52	Just need more access to our best assets	10/19/2022 9:40 PM
53	The current staff does a great job!	10/19/2022 9:30 PM
54	No	10/19/2022 4:31 PM
55	Doing a fantastic job, providing so many wonderful things to do! Hope you continue to grow.	10/14/2022 10:06 AM
56	Beside the metro park I feel Not many of the listed facilities are actually provided by the township. And some are allowed in private property aka soccer field	10/13/2022 6:03 PM
57	No	10/10/2022 3:32 PM
58	No	10/10/2022 12:52 PM
59	No thank you	10/9/2022 10:33 PM
60	I STRONGLY feel that Harrison Township offices need to make unlimited discount HCMP passes available to township residents, for the entire year. What good is it, if the few passes available are gone in February? We need these passes in the summer too. I'm sure you could work out a system with the park to make these passes always available to the residents, as they were in the past. Look into it!! The township should not be satisfied with a minimum amount of passes made available. I feel this is laziness on the part of the staff. The treasurer talks about doing everything with the residents in mind. Providing unlimited discount passes to residents would be one way of doing that! Tucker center has a great start. We need more space, more programming and more trips.	10/9/2022 7:50 PM
61	a community building that can be used by residents to host parties or events would be nice. not sure if that already exists. and not for rent but free for those who are residents. maybe small returnable fee for protection against damage	10/9/2022 6:06 AM
62	No	10/8/2022 11:30 PM
63	Music lessons	10/8/2022 7:13 PM
64	no	10/8/2022 8:22 AM
65	It would be nice to have a more centralized water access park or pier for the township.	10/8/2022 12:05 AM
66	Bring Margie back from 90's she ran it the best at the park	10/7/2022 3:21 PM
67	I am still learning what is available	10/7/2022 1:04 PM
68	Please don't just add something without addressing the proper maintenance, servicing and staffing of the project.	10/7/2022 11:47 AM
69	Thank you to the efforts of those that try to keep some type of program going for our residents. Kudos to HTPL for trying to fill that void with much of their programming as well. There could definitely be a comprehensive program developed between our library, senior center and parks and recreation that could benefit all ages of our community.	10/7/2022 9:31 AM
70	More Senior programs, more like St. Clair Shores provides.	10/7/2022 8:36 AM
71	no.	10/7/2022 7:49 AM
72	The idea of multiuse areas for sports would be a good way to centralize and utilize land space and preserve natural habitats.	10/7/2022 6:11 AM
73	I love living here and appreciate that this is a consideration.	10/6/2022 10:37 PM
74	No	10/6/2022 9:45 PM
75	Already neighborhoods should be connected by sidewalks and/or paths. Silly that were not. Not safe to bike or walk in roads	10/6/2022 9:32 PM
76	I am just really glad to see someone asking the residents what they are interested in having in our community.Thank you	10/6/2022 8:48 PM
77	I need to know where to look for information about them	10/6/2022 8:32 PM

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78	No new taxes, no raises in taxes, do more w/ what we have	10/6/2022 7:56 PM
79	Would like to see the township support parks and recreation through funding. We should have some things that make us more competitive with surrounding towns.	10/6/2022 7:16 PM
80	Not off hand	10/6/2022 7:09 PM
81	N/A	10/6/2022 7:07 PM
82	N/A	10/6/2022 7:03 PM
83	We are fortunate to have the Lake St Clair Metro Park centrally located in Harrison Township. I frequently receive email communication from them as to improved facilities and current programs available. I hear nothing from Harrison Township itself and am actually unsure what is available to us and where. I felt blessed growing up in an area that had accessible parks in the neighborhoods and ongoing activities all year long.	10/6/2022 7:03 PM
84	You are doing pretty good for our community. Keep it up	10/6/2022 6:53 PM
85	Regular maintenance of what we have and what the Township adds is very important. Enforce ordinances in all areas	10/6/2022 6:43 PM
86	One monthly activity for the township, farmers market.	10/6/2022 5:10 PM
87	None	10/6/2022 5:08 PM
88	No	10/6/2022 4:50 PM

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**Harrison Charter Township
Recreation Master Plan Update**
**Notice of Public Hearing and Availability of
Draft Plan for Review**

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Harrison Township Board of Trustees on Monday, January 23, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., at Rosso Hall, located at 38255 L'Anse Creuse, Harrison Township, Michigan, 48045. The public hearing is being held to receive comments from citizens and consider the adoption of the Harrison Township Recreation Master Plan, 2023-2027.

A Recreation Master Plan assists the Township in identifying recreation needs. The plan will serve as a guide to document priorities for improvements. When approved by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR), the plan qualifies the Township for recreation grants, which are administered through the MDNR. The proposed plan includes a community description, an overview of the administrative structure of the Township, an inventory of existing facilities, a recreation needs analysis, goals and objectives, and capital improvement priorities for the next five years.

A copy of the draft Recreation Master Plan 2023-2027 is available for public review at the Township Hall, located at 38151 L'Anse Creuse, Harrison Township, Michigan, 48045, as well as on the Township website at www.harrison-township.org.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF HARRISON
REGULAR BOARD MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING
JANUARY 23, 2023**

Call to Order

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

PRESENT: Ken Verkest, Supervisor
Adam Wit, MMC, MiPMC, Clerk
Larry Tomenello, CPFIM, Treasurer
Brian Batkins, Trustee
David Bratto, Trustee
Dean Olgiati, Trustee
Paula Rose, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT: Rob Huth, Township Attorney

A) Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion by Brian Batkins, Trustee and second by Dean Olgiati, Trustee to approve the Consent Agenda with the bills in the amount of \$1,463,048.63 as presented. MOTION CARRIED

A.1 Approval of the Regular Board meeting minutes of January 9, 2023

Motion by Brian Batkins, Trustee and second by Dean Olgiati, Trustee to approve the Regular Board meeting minutes of January 9, 2023 as presented. MOTION CARRIED

A.2 Approval of the bills in the amount of \$1,463,048.63

Motion by Brian Batkins, Trustee and second by Dean Olgiati, Trustee to approve the bills in the amount of \$1,463,048.63 as presented. MOTION CARRIED

A.3 Approval of the preliminary December 2022 Revenue and Expenditure Report

Motion by Brian Batkins, Trustee and second by Dean Olgiati, Trustee to approve the preliminary December 2022 Revenue and Expenditure Report as presented. MOTION CARRIED

B) Approval of the Regular Agenda

Motion by Larry Tomenello, Treasurer and second by David Bratto, Trustee to approve the Regular Agenda as presented. MOTION CARRIED

C) Supervisor/Board Announcements

The Supervisor announced the Treasurer's Office has discounted Metropark passes available for residents for \$35 which is a \$5 discount.

The library has many great events coming up. They are hosting Pre-School Story Time on January 25th at 10:00 a.m. They are offering a presentation on Piracy on the Great Lakes on January 25th at 6:30 p.m. Ellen Kennedy from the National Museum of the Great Lakes will be the guest speaker. For more information on these and other great community events, visit their website at htlibrary.org, call them at 586-329-1261 or email them at librarian@htlibrary.org.

Our Senior Center features many different programs throughout the month. The updated January calendar can be found on the Township website under the Senior Center tab, with the February calendar soon to come. For more information on times and events, please call Jen at (586) 466-1497.

For more information on these as well as all other Township events you can call the Supervisor's Office at (586) 466-1445, visit our website at www.harrison-township.org, or follow us on Twitter at HarrisonTwpMI

D) Resolutions

D.1 Adopt resolution honoring former Deputy Supervisor Joseph Aragona
The Supervisor stated Mr. Joseph Aragona had been the Deputy Supervisor since 2018. He was recently elected to the Michigan State House of Representatives. It would be appropriate to adopt this resolution honoring him.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF HARRISON
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
RESOLUTION**

At a Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Charter Township of Harrison, on Monday, January 23, 2023 the following Resolution was adopted.

WHEREAS, Joseph Aragona, has given distinguished service to Harrison Township as the Deputy Supervisor, and

WHEREAS, Joseph Aragona, striving for efficient local government and constantly tried to professionally improve himself by attending training through the Michigan Township's Association and MAPERS, and

WHEREAS, Joseph Aragona, worked diligently to support human resource issues, managing the Assessing, Building, Fire, Maintenance and Water and Sewer departments and gained an intimate understanding of how these departments ran, and

WHEREAS, Joseph Aragona, volunteered his time in support of the community through organizations like the Beautification Committee and the Economic Development Committee, and

WHEREAS, Joseph Aragona, has shown himself to be an excellent representative of the local community through his commitment to outstanding customer service, and always being eager to assist Township residents, and

WHEREAS, Joseph Aragona, has demonstrated his leadership abilities to the community and commitment to making Harrison Township a better place to work, live and play, and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that on behalf of the residents of Harrison Township, the Board of Trustees wishes to thank Joseph Aragona for his years of service to the community and to wish him long life and happiness and continued success in his future endeavors.

Motion by Adam Wit, Clerk and second by David Bratto, Trustee to adopt the resolution honoring former Deputy Supervisor Joseph Aragona.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Wit, Bratto, Batkins, Olgiati, Rose, Tomenello, Verkest
NAYS: None
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

D.2 Adopt resolution honoring Planning Commission member Michael Blum
The Supervisor added Mr. Michael Blum has been a member of the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals has served our community very well and has recently resigned. It would be appropriate to approve of the resolution to his service to our community at this time.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF HARRISON
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
RESOLUTION

At a Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Charter Township of Harrison, on Monday, January 23, 2023, the following Resolution was adopted.

WHEREAS, Michael Blum, has given distinguished service to Harrison Township, and

WHEREAS, Michael Blum, volunteered his time to serve the Township and was a member of the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals, and

WHEREAS, Michael Blum, always sought to improve the Township through best planning management practices which improved infrastructure and adhered to the Zoning Ordinance of Harrison Township, and

WHEREAS, Michael Blum, has shown himself to be an excellent representative of the local community through his commitment and service on the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals and his many contributions to the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that on behalf of the residents of Harrison Township, the Board of Trustees wishes to thank Michael Blum for his years of service to the community and to wish him a long life and happiness and continued success in his future endeavors.

Motion by Dean Olgiati, Trustee and second by Brian Batkins, Trustee to adopt resolution honoring Planning Commission member Michael Blum.

**ROLL CALL: AYES: Olgiati, Batkins, Bratto, Rose, Tomenello, Wit, Verkest
 NAYS: None
 RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

E) Appointments

E.1 CDBG review committee

The Clerk stated we will be holding the 2023 Community Development Block Grant Public Hearing on February 13th and in advance of that, we would like the Board to appoint a sub-committee to review potential projects and bring a recommendation back to the board for consideration. This year we can apply for up to two projects at an amount up to \$150,000.00 each in addition to the public service funding that is normally allocated to the Dial-A-Ride shuttle.

Motion by Brian Batkins, Trustee and second by Paula Rose, Trustee to appoint Adam Wit, Larry Tomenello and Dean Olgiati to a CDBG subcommittee to review projects for application for potential CDBG funding and to bring back a recommendation to the Board. MOTION CARRIED

E.2 One reappointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a three year to expire December 16, 2025

The Supervisor stated we recently reappointed Mrs. Amanda Oparka to the Planning Commission. She has also been serving as the Planning Commission liaison to the Zoning Board of Appeals. We are recommending the reappointment of Mrs. Amanda Oparka as the Planning Commission liaison to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a three year term to expire on December 16, 2025.

Motion by Brian Batkins, Trustee and second by David Bratto, Trustee to reappoint Mrs. Amanda Oparka as the Planning Commission liaison to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a three year term to expire December 16, 2025. MOTION CARRIED

E.3 One appointment to the Planning Commission for a three year to expire January 23, 2026

The Supervisor added we recently received notification that Mr. Michael Blum does not wish to be reappointed to the Planning Commission. We thank Mr. Blum for his service to Harrison Township. Mr. Timothy Duncan has expressed an interest in serving on the Planning Commission. He is a ten year resident as well as the Fire Chief for Clinton Township. It is believed his municipal experience would be an asset to the Planning Commission. Therefore it is recommended to appoint Mr. Timothy Duncan to the Planning Commission for a three year term to expire on January 23, 2026.

Motion by Larry Tomenello, Treasurer and second by Dean Olgiati, Trustee to accept the resignation of Mr. Michael Blum and appoint Mr. Timothy Duncan to the Planning Commission for a three year term to expire January 23, 2026. MOTION CARRIED

F) Fire Department

F.1 Approval to purchase the CrewForce Software

The Supervisor stated the Harrison Township Fire Department is seeking approval to purchase the "Tyler Technology-CrewForce" software which will receive the dispatch and mapping information on the three Squads, the Battalion Chief vehicle, the Fire Marshal cell phone, and the Fire Chief cell phone. This software would be received on four tablets and two Cell Phones instead of laptops, which makes it more ergonomically appropriate for the cab space of the vehicles. The "CrewForce" software also interfaces with the preplans which are drafted from the Fire Prevention Division. If approved, the four MDT's (laptop style), currently being used, will be returned back to COMTEC. It is being requested to purchase six Licenses and a 1 year subscription. The quote is from "Tyler Technologies" however, the purchase would go through Macomb County's COMTEC.

Motion by Larry Tomenello, Treasurer and second by Paula Rose, Trustee to approve to purchase the CrewForce Software at a cost of \$3,449.00 and the purchase of 4 Ipad and monthly subscriptions at a cost of \$4,799.96 and \$159.96. MOTION CARRIED

F.2 Sell the 2014 International Wheeled Coach and the 2005 GMC Medtec Squads

The Supervisor added to request authorization to sell the 2014 International Wheeled Coach and the 2005 GMC Medtec Squads. These 2 units were replaced by our 2 new Lifeline Squads. The final sale price will be approved by the three full time officials.

Motion by Adam Wit, Clerk and second by Brian Batkins, Trustee approve to sell the 2014 International Wheeled Coach and the 2005 GMC Medtec Squads with the final sale price approved by the three full time officials. MOTION CARRIED

G) Clerk's Office

G.1 Recreation Master Plan Public Hearing

The Clerk stated part of the process for adopting the Recreation Master Plan, the Board must hold a Public Hearing to obtain the views and input of the citizens. The proposed plan is available for review online and in the offices.

Motion by Brian Batkins, Trustee and second by Larry Tomenello, Treasurer to open public hearing at 7:18 p.m.

**ROLL CALL: AYES: Batkins, Tomenello, Bratto, Olgiati, Rose, Wit, Verkest
NAYS: None
MOTION CARRIED**

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

1. None

Motion by Brian Batkins, Trustee and second by Paula Rose, Trustee to close public hearing at 7:19 p.m.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Batkins, Rose, Bratto, Olgiati, Tomenello, Wit, Verkest
NAYS: None
MOTION CARRIED

G.2 Approval to adopt the Resolution for the Recreation Master Plan for 2023 - 2027

The Clerk added after holding the Public Hearing the Board will need to adopt the Resolution for the Recreation Master Plan. The adopted resolution needs to be submitted to the MDNR by January 31, 2023. Board had further discussion on this.

HARRISON CHARTER TOWNSHIP
MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN
RECREATION MASTER PLAN 2023-2027

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Harrison has undertaken a planning process to determine the recreation and natural resource conservation needs and desires of its residents during a five year period covering the years 2023 through 2027, and

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Harrison began the process of developing a recreation plan in accordance with the most recent guidelines developed by the Department of Natural Resources and made available to local communities, and

WHEREAS, residents of the Charter Township of Harrison were provided with a well-advertised opportunity during the development of the draft plan to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss all aspects of the recreation plan, and

WHEREAS, the public was given a well-advertised opportunity and reasonable accommodations to review the draft plan for a period of at least 30 days, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on January 23, 2023 at Rosso Hall to provide an opportunity for all residents of the planning area to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss all aspects of the recreation plan, and

WHEREAS, after the public hearing, the Charter Township of Harrison Board of Trustees voted to adopt said recreation plan.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Charter Township of Harrison Board of Trustees hereby adopts the Harrison Charter Township Recreation Master Plan 2023-2027.

Motion by Adam Wit, Clerk and second by David Bratto, Trustee to adopt the Resolution for the Recreation Master Plan for 2023 - 2027.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Wit, Bratto, Batkins, Olgiati, Rose, Tomenello, Verkest
NAYS: None
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

H) Supervisor's Office

H.1 Beachwood Pump Station Service Approval

The Supervisor stated the Beachwood Pump Station was rebuilt approximately five years ago. Since that time, debris has accumulated in the pump well and needs to be cleaned out. Kennedy Industries is the supplier that services and supports our pump stations. They have provided a quote to clean the pump station. The work requires equipment that we do not have. Our field personnel will oversee the work and determine if this is something that we can do in-house in the future. It is recommended to approve this work in the amount of \$6,995.00.

Motion by Adam Wit, Clerk and second by Larry Tomenello, Treasurer to authorize Kennedy Industries to clean the Beachwood Pump Station at a cost of \$6,995.00. MOTION CARRIED

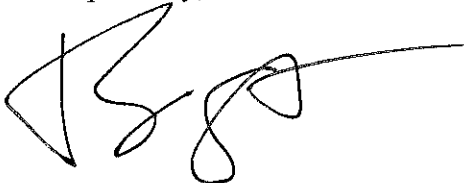
I) Public/Board Comments

1. C. William Bardill, resident, spoke to several items

J) Adjourn

Motion by Larry Tomenello, Treasurer and second by David Bratto, Trustee adjourn 7:34 p.m. MOTION CARRIED

Prepared by,



Teri Salgot, Deputy Clerk
Charter Township of Harrison

Submitted by,



Adam Wit, MMC, MiPMC, Clerk
Charter Township of Harrison

Approved by,



Kenneth Verkest, Supervisor
Charter Township of Harrison

**HARRISON CHARTER TOWNSHIP
MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN
RECREATION MASTER PLAN 2023-2027**

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Motion by Adam Wit, Clerk and second by David Bratto, Trustee to adopt the Resolution for the Recreation Master Plan for 2023 - 2027. MOTION CARRIED

**ROLL CALL: AYES: Wit, Bratto, Batkins, Olgiati, Rose, Tomenello, Verkest
 NAYS: None
 RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

I, Adam Wit do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and original copy of a resolution adopted by the Charter Township of Harrison Board of Trustees at a Regular Meeting thereof held on the 23rd day of January, 2023.



Adam Wit, MMC, MiPMC, Clerk



Letter of Transmittal

WT189-02

500 Griswold Street, Suite 2500 • Detroit, MI 48226
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If transmitted items are not as noted, notify writer immediately.

To: Macomb County Planning and Economic Development
1 S. Main, 7th Floor
Mount Clemens, MI 48043

Date: January 30, 2023

Attn: To Whom it May Concern

Transmitted By: [X] Regular Mail [] Overnight Delivery
[] Hand Delivered
[] Picked Up By:
[] Other:

Re: Harrison Township Recreation Master Plan, 2023-2027

We are transmitting 1 copy of the following:

- [] Certificate for Payment No. [] Discs [] Prints [] Specs.
[] Contract Change Order No. [] Drawings [] Product Literature [] Tracings
[] Construction Change Req. No. [] Field Measure Plans [] Samples [] Work Orders No.
[] Copy of Letter [] Plans [] Shop Drawings
[X] Other: Harrison Township Recreation Master Plan 2023-2027

For your: [] Action [] As Requested [] Information [] Review/Comment [] Use
[] Approval [] Distribution [X] Records /Files [] Signature

Remarks: Enclosed you will find a copy of the Harrison Township Recreation Master Plan 2023-2027. This plan was adopted by the Township Board on January 23, 2023. In order to promote regional cooperation in providing recreation services, the Township requests that your office keep a copy of this recreation plan on file.

Job No. HSN6008-01D

By: Adam Young, AICP

cc:



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1001 Woodward Avenue, Suite 1400
Detroit, MI 48226

Date: January 30, 2023

Transmitted By: [X] Regular Mail [] Overnight Delivery
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[] Other:

Attn: Regional Planning – Courtesy Copy of Municipal Recreation Plan

Re: Harrison Township Recreation Master Plan, 2023-2027

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COMMUNITY PARK, RECREATION, OPEN SPACE, AND GREENWAY PLAN CERTIFICATION CHECKLIST

By Authority of Parts 19, 703 and 716 of Act 451, P.A. 1994, as amended, submission of this information is required for eligibility to apply for grants

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete, obtain certification signatures and submit this checklist with a locally adopted recreation plan.

All recreation plans are required to meet the content and local approval standards listed in this checklist and as outlined in the *Guidelines for the Development of Community Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Plans* provided by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Plans must be submitted to the DNR **with** a completed checklist that has been signed by an authorized official(s) of the local unit of government(s) submitting the plan. Plans may be submitted at any time of the year, but no later than March 1 of the year the local unit of government is applying for grants.

PLAN INFORMATION		
Name of Plan: Charter Township of Harrison Recreation Master Plan 2023-2027		
List the community names (including school districts) that are covered under the plan and have passed a resolution adopting the plan.	County	Month and year plan adopted by the community's governing body
Charter Township of Harrison	Macomb	January 2023

PLAN CONTENT

INSTRUCTIONS: Please check each box to certify that the listed information is included in the final plan.

- 1. COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION**
- 2. ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE**
 - Roles of Commission(s) or Advisory Board(s)
 - Department, Authority and/or Staff Description and Organizational Chart
 - Annual and Projected Budgets for Operations, Maintenance, Capital Improvements and Recreation Programming
 - Current Funding Sources
 - Role of Volunteers
 - Relationship(s) with School Districts, Other Public Agencies or Private Organizations
 - Regional Authorities or Trailway Commissions Only:**
 - Description of the Relationship between the Authority or Commission and the Recreation Departments of Participating Communities
 - Articles of Incorporation
- 3. RECREATION INVENTORY**
 - Description of Methods Used to Conduct the Inventory
 - Inventory of all Community Owned Parks and Recreation Facilities
 - Location Maps (site development plans recommended but not required)
 - Accessibility Assessment
 - Status Report for all Grant-Assisted Parks and Recreation Facilities
 - Waterways Inventory (if applicable)
- 4. RESOURCE INVENTORY (OPTIONAL)**
- 5. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLANNING PROCESS**

6. DESCRIPTION OF THE PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS

- Description of the Method(s) Used to Solicit Public Input Before or During Preparation of the Plan, Including a Copy of the Survey or Meeting Agenda and a Summary of the Responses Received
- Copy of the Notice of the Availability of the Draft Plan for Public Review and Comment
 - Date of the Notice December 21, 2022
 - Type of Notice Newspaper and Online
 - Plan Location Township Hall
 - Duration of Draft Plan Public Review Period (Must be at Least 30 Days) 34 days
- Copy of the Notice for the Public Meeting Held after the One Month Public Review Period and Before the Plan's Adoption by the Governing Body(ies)
 - Date of Notice December 21, 2022
 - Name of Newspaper Macomb Daily and macombdaily.com
 - Date of Meeting January 23, 2023
- Copy of the Minutes from the Public Meeting

7. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

8. ACTION PROGRAM

9. POST-COMPLETION SELF-CERTIFICATION REPORT(S)

PLAN ADOPTION DOCUMENTATION

APPROVAL DOCUMENTATION: For multi-jurisdictional plans, **each** local unit of government must pass a resolution adopting the plan. Prepare and attach a separate page for each unit of government included in the plan.

- 1. Official resolution of adoption by the governing body dated: January 23, 2023
- 2. Official resolution of the n/a Commission or Board, recommending adoption of the plan by the governing body, dated: n/a
- 3. Copy of letter transmitting adopted plan to County Planning Agency dated: January 30, 2023
- 4. Copy of letter transmitting adopted plan to Regional Planning Agency dated: January 30, 2023

OVERALL CERTIFICATION

NOTE: For multi-jurisdictional plans, Overall Certification must include the signature of each local unit of government. Prepare and attach a separate signature page for each unit of government included in the plan.

I hereby certify that the recreation plan for

Harrison Township

(Local Unit of Government)

includes the required content, as indicated

above and as set forth by the DNR.

[Signature]
Authorized Official for the Local Unit of Government

1-27-23
Date

This completed checklist must be uploaded in MiRecGrants.



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