



Arden Park

RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT

Master Plan Update ▶▶▶



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Executive Summary

The Arden Park Recreation and Park District is located in unincorporated Sacramento County, approximately six and a half (6.5) miles west of the City of Sacramento. Bounded by Arden Way to the north, Fair Oaks Boulevard to the south, Watt Avenue to the west, and Eastern Avenue to the east, the District is approximately one and a half (1.5) square miles. The District is mostly single unit residential homes, with small commercial areas at two corners, and two schools.



Figure ES-1: Arden Park Recreation and Park District location

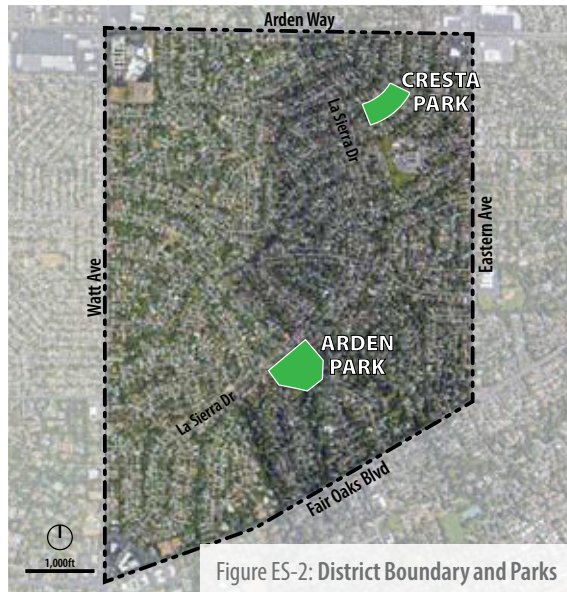


Figure ES-2: District Boundary and Parks



Image ES-1: Arden Park



Image ES-2: Cresta Park

There are two parks in the District - Arden Park and Cresta Park. The two parks equal approximately thirteen acres of parkland. The parkland was deeded from the developer that created the neighborhood, and development of the parks occurred shortly after their creation in the 1950s, including construction of the swimming pool and community center.

The District's last Master Plan was completed in 2004. Most recommendations are completed.

At the outset of the Master Plan update, four guiding principles were identified by the District, which were the foundation for the Master Plan update's vision.

VISION
Provide the Arden Park Recreation and Park District a path forward with a community-derived, "right-sized," & implementable plan that guides decision-making for inclusive future improvements and adaptable flex space for users of all ages, abilities, and interests.

The Master Plan update had four goals, informed by themes found in the community's input and aligned with the District's mission. These four goals serve as tenets for the policies and

- COMMUNITY** *Foster neighborhood and community gathering by providing spaces that encourage social interaction and public amenities for District events and neighborhood meetups.*
- GREEN** *Operate sustainably with professional management, maintenance, and operations of parks and facilities using resilient and innovative practices that respect the environment.*
- QUALITY** *Provide safe, clean, and beautiful parks and right-sized facilities that support recreation and leisure activities to enrich quality of life for all residents.*
- USES** *Continue to support diverse passive and active park and recreation uses, flexible and adaptable spaces and elements for all ages and abilities, and stewardship of shared community resources.*

park design concepts that form a community-derived, “right-sized,” and implementable plan for the Arden Park Recreation and Park District over the next 10 years.

A full inventory of park elements was undertaken as part of this Master Plan update. From this inventory, the parks level of service was calculated. Level of Service is determined by assessing the quantity of a specific element and how many members of the community it serves. To provide context for the LOS ratios provided by the District, comparison LOS ratios were calculated for the Mission Oaks Recreation and Park District and Fulton-El Camino Recreation and Park District. Additionally, standard LOS ratios published by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) for the jurisdiction

Quantity of Park Elements

Element	Arden Park	Cresta Park	District Total
Community Center	1		1
Pool	1		1
Softball Diamond	1		1
Rectangular Field		1	1
Basketball Court	1	0.5	1.5
Tennis Court	3	1*	4
Playground	2	2	4
Picnic Area, Reservable with BBQ	3	1	4
Horseshoe Pit	1 ¹		1 ¹
Restrooms	1	1	2

* Dual-stripped for Pickleball
¹ Horseshoe Pit removed during Master Planning process in Spring 2022

Table ES-1: Quantity of Elements

category (Jurisdictions with less than 20,000 people) were compared to the District. These all serve as benchmarks to evaluate the District’s offerings against adjacent Districts and the national average. Using LOS ratios rather than total quantity of an element eliminates the variation in population sizes to equalize the park offerings to compare “apples to apples.”

Arden Park Recreation and Park District provides a high level of service, with park element service ratios well above comparative Districts and the national standard. Therefore, the currently offered levels of service need only be adjusted to meet community voiced needs.

The District offers a variety of recreation programs and classes, for youth and adults, encompassing preschool and after school child care, sports, dance, fitness, lifelong learning, social engagements, youth and summer camps, and many more. Additionally, the District hosts community events throughout the year, such as an Easter Egg Hunt, 4th of July Celebration, Tents in Town, and Movies in the Park.



Image ES-3: Well-used play elements at Cresta Park

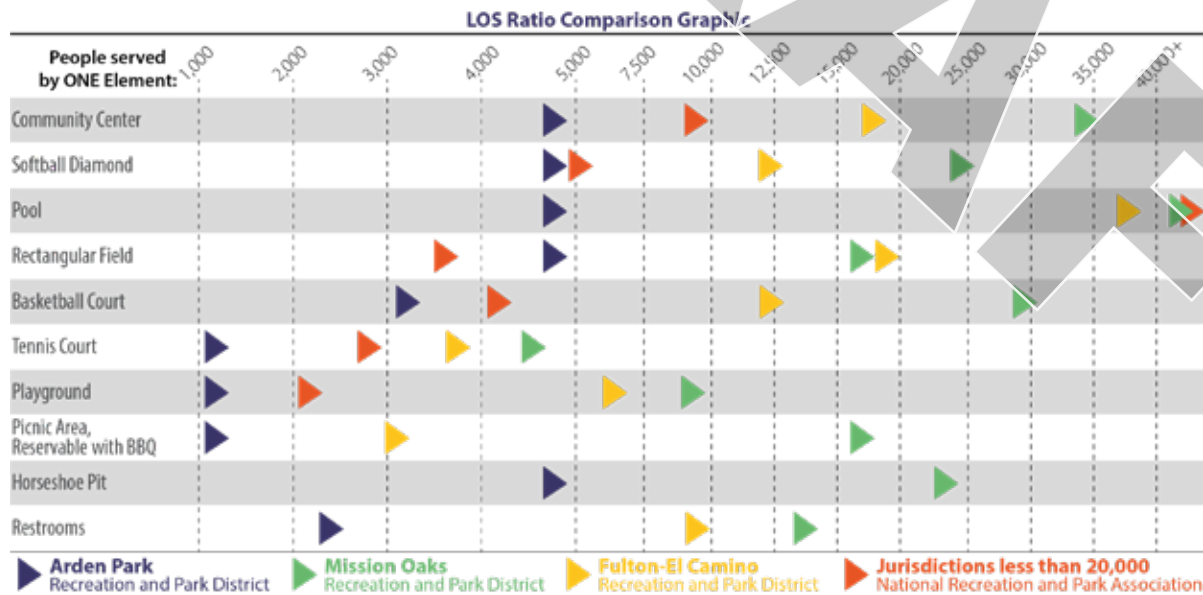


Figure ES-3: Level of Service (LOS) Ratio Comparison Graphic

OUTREACH SCHEDULE



The community engagement efforts for the Master Plan update involved the community in three rounds of engagement. The first round, Listening to the Community, occurred in February and March 2022. It was focused on information gathering to learn how the neighborhood uses their parks and ideas on what they would like to improve. The second round, Preferred Park Concepts, occurred in April 2022 and asked the neighborhood to respond to alternative park concept designs to identify the preferred park concept for each site. The last round in May and June 2022 included publicly distributing the draft Master Plan update for comment and adoption by the Advisory Board.

Outreach was conducted virtually online and in-person to reach as many residents as possible. In fact, an estimated 550 people provided their input on the Master Plan update.

Online and virtual engagement included a project webpage on the District website, stakeholder interviews, the community survey, emails, and a public webinar. In-person engagement included the community survey,

Advisory Board presentations, and a booth at a District event.

Important themes became evident throughout hearing the community voice. Maintaining a natural space for play and relaxation was highly prioritized by residents. Providing opportunities for both active recreation and passive uses in the parks was highlighted to provide benefit to all park users. The final theme heavily discussed by the District residents was maintaining safe and comfortable parks.

While Listening to the Community (Round #1 engagement), District residents highly rated non-recreation-centered elements, such as trees and informal lawn space (received about 70% of resident votes for favorite park elements), at both Arden Park and Cresta Park. Playgrounds were also very highly regarded at both park sites, garnering approximately 60% of the votes for favorite park element from District residents. Maintaining the high level of service for the favorite park elements is important to the quality of life provided by the parks.



Image ES-4: In-person Community Input during Round #2



Image ES-5: Multi-purpose Lawn

10 Highest Ranked Elements to Improve the Parks

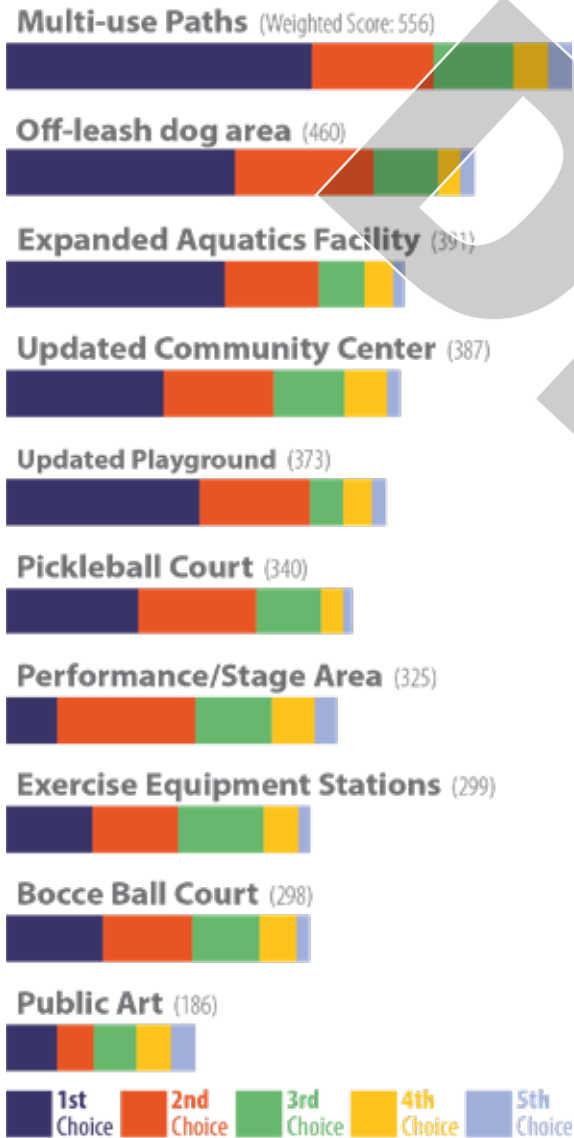


Figure ES-4: Community Survey Question #9, resident responses

Beyond asking what park users like about the existing parks, the community engagement efforts asked park users what elements they think would improve the parks. Similar to recreation trends across California, multi-use paths are increasing in desirability due to their flexibility for many users. Dogs are a common site in the neighborhood, and dogs at the parks are typical. Expanding the aquatics offerings and updating the community center were important improvements, and necessary to increase recreation programming provided by the District.

The community engagement for determine the Preferred Park Concept (Round #2) proposed a variety of recommendations for the public to respond to for the preferred park design concepts that are included in this Master Plan update.

The recommendations for Arden Park and Cresta Park are minimal because the existing parks are so highly maintained, well designed, and currently meet a majority of the neighborhood’s needs. The park concept designs were structured to create independent recommendation projects to create flexibility in implementation: piece-by-piece, all at once, or in any combination. The recommendations look to upgrade or renovate existing park elements or propose new. Upgrade or renovation recommendations are due to age or to repair issues not addressed in annual maintenance work. New elements are recommendations to meet needs that have arisen since the last Master Plan or to respond to recreation trends that cannot be accommodated with existing elements. In total, there are five upgrade or renovate recommendations, eight new recommendations, and two recommendations still under consideration.



Image ES-6: District camp recreation program

The Master Plan update is intended to be a living document to guide implementation over the next ten years. As circumstances, opportunities, resources, and demands evolve over the plan’s horizon, criteria to prioritize implementation actions should be reevaluated.

The cost to implement all recommendations greatly exceeds the District’s current financial resources. The District has adopted a pay-as-you-go approach to park improvements in recent years. Under this approach it will take many years to address the projects, and not all projects could be feasibly constructed using this method. Should the District desire to accelerate the project completion timeline, other funding will be needed.

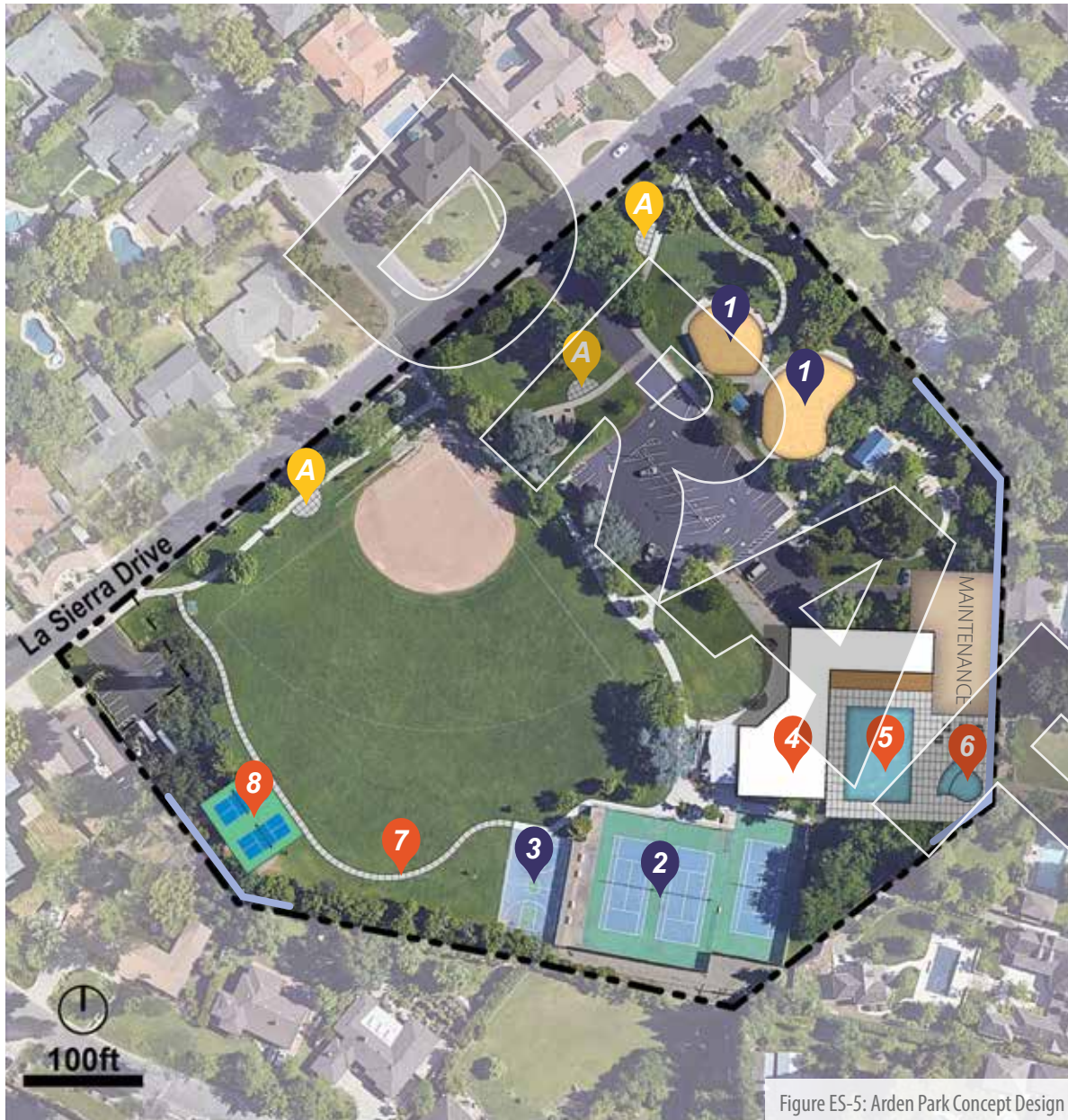


Figure ES-5: Arden Park Concept Design

Arden Park

The recommendations for Arden Park are both upgrade or renovations and new park elements. Three existing park elements to be updated or renovated, and five new elements are recommended. There is one recommendation both supported and not supported by the community.

The community shared their voice for the preferred Arden Park concept design.

Park Improvements

Upgrade or Renovate

- 1 Update Existing Playground
- 2 Repave Existing Tennis Courts
- 3 Redo Existing Basketball Court

New

- 4 New Community Center
- 5 New Pool (8-lane)
- 6 New Zero Entry Water Play Feature
- 7 Extended Looped Path
- 8 New Pickleball Courts

— Sound wall

Under Consideration

- A New Fitness Equipment Stations



Image ES-7: Cresta Park Concept Design

Cresta Park

The recommendations for Cresta Park are both upgrade or renovations and new park elements. Two existing park elements to be updated or renovated and three new elements are recommended.

The community shared their voice for the preferred Cresta Park concept design.

Park Improvements

Upgrade or Renovate

- 1 Update Existing Playground
- 2 Improve Existing Soccer Field (grading, drainage, irrigation)

New

- 3 New Bocce Court
- 4 Extended Looped Path
- 5 New Picnic Area

Under Consideration

- A New Concrete Plaza at Crosswalk



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Purpose of the Master Plan

What is a Master Plan?

A Master Plan serves as a guide for policy decisions; prioritizes and balances demands and opportunities; provides a framework for park and facility improvements and other expenditures for parks and recreational activities. The updated Master Plan is a long-range plan for park and facility improvements that enables multi-year planning for capital investments.

The previous Arden Park Recreation and Park District Master Plan was adopted in 2004. This Master Plan update culminates in a 10-year Recreation and Parks Master Plan.

This project is intended to serve as a guide for policy decisions; prioritizing and balancing demands and opportunities; providing a framework for park and facility improvements and other expenditures for parks and recreational activities. The outcomes of the updated Master Plan will be a long-range plan for park and facility improvements that will enable multi-year planning for capital investments to occur. The plan will identify possible future shared recreational programming and facilities with other organizations in the community.

The District's Master Plan update is:

- Simple: The Master Plan update is clear and concise.
- Understandable: The Master Plan update is readable and easy to understand.
- Usable: The Master Plan update is adaptable and implementable.
- Accountable: The Master Plan update provides an Action Plan to measure implementation goals.



Guiding Principles & Vision

The guiding principles and vision for this Master Plan update have informed the entire master planning process for the Arden Park Recreation and Park District.

The Master Plan update's guiding principles, which are the basis for the vision, are:

- Inclusive
- For all ages, abilities, and interests
- "Right-sized"
- Adapt and Flex spaces

Set early in the project, the vision served as a touchstone for all subsequent planning steps and park recommendations.

Provide the Arden Park Recreation and Park District a path forward with a community-derived, "right-sized," & implementable plan that guides decision-making for inclusive future improvements and adaptable flex space for users of all ages, abilities, and interests.



Image 1-7: Play in Arden Park



Source: APRPD

Image 1-8: Arden Park

Planning Process

The master planning process is similar to many strategic planning processes:

- Define the scope of work and prepare a demographic analysis
- Perform a needs assessment to identify goals and recommendations
- Structure an implementation plan

Extensive community involvement guided this Master Plan update. Input from District staff informed the process. Community engagement ensured the Master Plan update reflects the priorities of the community. In this built-out neighborhood, developing strategies to maximize the parks are key to accomplishing the District's goals of providing for the neighborhood's needs.

The Master Plan update provides both a long term vision and specific guidance to direct day-today decisions. It sets forth a framework that will allow the District to respond to new opportunities as they arise.

Document Organization

This Master Plan update builds on itself, section by section, with each chapter using the previous chapter's information to define steps required to address the issues identified.

Chapter 1: Introduction

This chapter introduces the master plan purpose, a brief history of the District, a look at the current District and neighborhood context, and a general overview of the previous Master Plan.

Chapter 2: Inventory + Analysis

This chapter documents the current parks and all park elements and facilities. The Level of Service ratios for all park elements are calculated based on the District population.

Chapter 3: Anticipating Needs

This chapter summarizes the community voice that informed the Master Plan update process. LOS ratios for nearby Districts and the national average are compared to those calculated in the previous chapter, as well as identification of recreation trends, to begin identifying needs.

Chapter 4: Recommendations + Action Plan

This chapter outlines the goals and District-wide policies. Park concept designs and recommendation meet the identified needs. Implementation considers the prioritization of the recommendations and potential funding resources. The Action Plan organizes recommendations over the plan horizon.

Appendices

The appendices contain supplemental information and resources this Master Plan update is based upon.



About the District + Neighborhood



Figure 1-1: District Aerial Map

The District

The Arden Park Recreation and Park District is located in unincorporated Arden-Arcade area of Sacramento County, approximately six and a half (6.5) miles west of the City of Sacramento. Bounded by Arden Way to the north, Fair Oaks Boulevard to the south, Watt Avenue to the west, and Eastern Avenue to the east, the District is approximately one and a half (1.5) square miles. The District is mostly single unit residential homes, with small commercial areas at two corners, and two schools - Arden Middle and Mariemont Elementary within.

The District was formed in 1949, known as Arden Park Park District at its outset, as the first independent recreation and park district created in Sacramento County.

District Mission

Arden Park Recreation and Park District provides safe, clean, beautiful parks and facilities, along with well-rounded professionally managed wholesome leisure time activities for all the residents. Services are provided to enrich the quality of life for people living in the District and to provide economic value. The District Board and Staff values public service, people, teamwork, innovation, quality, integrity, excellence, and the environment.

There are two parks in the District - Arden Park and Cresta Park. Both parks were deeded to the District in 1953 by the developer of the neighborhood, Wright and Kimbrough. Development of the parks occurred shortly thereafter with donations of time, effort, and money by the Arden Improvement Club, Arden Park Garden Club, Arden Lions Club, and area

residents. In 1955, a bond for the construction of the swimming pool and bathhouse was approved. In 1994, the bathhouse was converted into the community center.

The District offers a variety of recreation programs and classes, for youth and adults, encompassing preschool and after school child care, sports, dance, fitness, lifelong learning, social engagements, youth and summer camps, and many more. Additionally, the District hosts community events throughout the year, such as an Easter Egg Hunt, 4th of July Celebration, Tents in Town, and Movies in the Park.

The District has three full time staff, three in administration and six full time and ten part time in maintenance. Dependent on the time of year, an additional twenty-five part-time recreation employees are also on staff. The District is overseen by a five member board, elected to a four-year term.

Planning Context

The District is located within the County of Sacramento and does not include any incorporated land. The area is considered an established community. The District is wholly within the Arden-Arcade Community Planning area.

The District's previous Master Plan is from 2004. It provided the district with guidance on needed improvements and enhancements for the parks for fifteen years. The Plan recommended sixteen improvements for Arden Park, ten for Cresta Park, and four that apply to both parks (see Appendices for 2004 Recommendations and their current status).

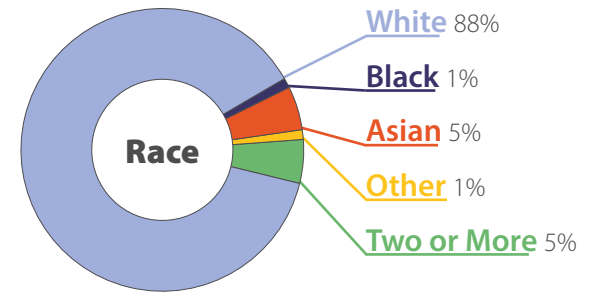
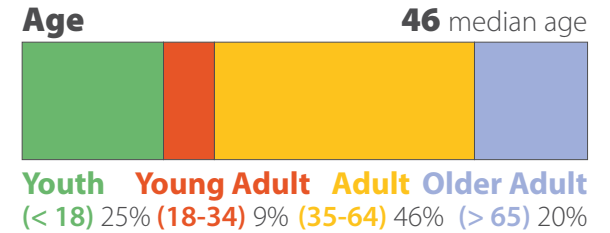
The Neighborhood

The neighborhood that the Arden Park Recreation and Park District serves was developed beginning around 1950. It is characterized by ranch-style homes, approximately 1,900 houses, on lots ranging from one quarter (0.25) acre to one and a half (1.5) acres. Most homes are owner-occupied (93%). There are limited to no sidewalks in the neighborhood. As a fully built-out neighborhood, there is little change expected to the quantity of homes to increase or lack of sidewalks to change.

The District's population is just under 5,000 people with little change anticipated (2020 Census). In fact, the population has remained fairly stable for many years.

Almost fifty percent of the population is between the ages of 35 to 64, with the next greatest age group being those under eighteen years old. Older adults, over 65 years, make up twenty percent of the population. The largest demographic group for race is white, and one tenth of the population identifies as Hispanic.

4,864 total District population



1,915 housing units
\$675,000 median house value¹



Figure 1-2: Demographic Data

Source: 2019 American Community Survey, 5-year estimates
¹ owner-occupied housing unit



Image 1-9: Typical District house



Image 1-10: Typical District house



Inventory
+ Analysis



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Inventory

Parkland

Arden Park Recreation and Park District has two parks - Arden Park and Cresta Park - providing almost thirteen acres of parkland.

Parkland	
Park	Size
Arden Park	7.9 acres
Cresta Park	4.8 acres
Total Parkland	12.7 acres

Source: Subdivision maps from the County of Sacramento

Table 2-1: Parkland Acreage

For the 4,864 residents, the 12.7 acres calculates to 2.61 acres of parkland per 1,000 people.

Park Element Assessments

A thorough inventory of park elements was generated by counting all park elements at Arden Park and Cresta Park. See Table 2-2 for the inventory. See Appendix B Inventory Assessments for the full matrix of element conditions.

Both parks are incredibly well-maintained. The landscape planting is healthy and trimmed. The lawns were green and lush (winter visit) with no visible dead or thin spots. Garbage cans were placed conveniently around the parks and emptied. The paved pathways were all in excellent condition. The split rail fence along the street edge of the parks was in good condition. Concrete furnishings, benches and picnic tables, were all in good condition.

Park Elements are in various conditions. Elements were categorized as good condition,

fair condition, or poor condition. Elements in good condition are functioning as intended with minimal wear or damage. There is no immediate action beyond standard preventative maintenance. Elements in fair condition are showing some signs of wear or damage but function and service are minimally impacted. Maintenance is recommended. Elements in poor condition are damaged or worn to the point where basic functionality or user safety is compromised. Immediate replacement is recommended.

Each site was inventoried and assessed for all elements condition and capacity on a good, fair, poor scale. User value was generated from neighborhood input gathered via the community survey.

Quantity of Park Elements

Element	Arden Park	Cresta Park	District Total
Community Center	1		1
Pool	1		1
Softball Diamond	1		1
Rectangular Field		1	1
Basketball Court	1	0.5	1.5
Tennis Court	3	1*	4
Playground	2	2	4
Picnic Area, Reservable with BBQ	3	1	4
Horseshoe Pit	1 ¹		1 ¹
Restrooms	1	1	2

* Dual-stripped for Pickleball

¹ Horseshoe Pit removed during Master Planning process in Spring 2022

Table 2-2: Quantity of Elements



Image 2-1: Swings (Arden Park)



Image 2-2: Softball Diamond, Bleachers + Dugout (Arden Park)



Image 2-3: Play elements (Cresta Park)



Arden Park

Overview

Arden Park is just under eight acres, located along La Sierra Drive in the southern portion of the District.

Arden Park is highly amenitized and programmed. The District's pool and community center (also the District Office) were constructed in the 1950s. The playgrounds were installed in the late 1990s. There are memorial benches throughout the park. The park has minimal site lighting.

Address 1000 La Sierra Drive

Size 7.9 acres

Park Elements

- | | |
|------------------------------|---|
| 1 Parking Lot | 2 Pool Complex |
| 3 Community Center | 4 Multi-purpose Lawn |
| 5 Playground | 6 Tennis Court |
| 7 Basketball Court | 8 Picnic Area, Reservable with BBQ |
| 9 Picnic Area | 10 Softball Diamond |
| 11 Ball Wall | 12 Restrooms |
| 13 Park Entry Sign | 14 Horseshoe Pit (removed Spring 2022) |
| 15 Outdoor Stage Area | 16 Maintenance Yard |
| 17 Well site | A Former Fire Station |

The parking lot at the park's west corner is under a right-to-access easement held by the Sacramento County Water Agency (SCWA). A former fire station, immediately adjacent, is owned by SCWA for the radio antennas on the site. The District has access to one truck bay for storage and maintains all landscape.



Figure 2-1: Arden Park Site Map, Existing



Image 2-4: Pool Complex (#2)



Image 2-5: Community Center (#3)



Image 2-6: Playground (#4)



Image 2-7: Tennis Court (#6)



Image 2-8: Basketball Court (#7)



Image 2-9: Softball Diamond (#10)



Image 2-10: Picnic Area, Reservable with BBQ (#8)



Image 2-11: Ball Wall (#11)



Image 2-12: Restrooms (#12)

Pool Complex

The pool and bathhouse (now the Community Center) were funded by a bond approved by District voters in 1955. The pool is home for the Dolphins Swim Team. The swim team uses the pool extensively during the swim season (August to November). During home meets, 1,000 people are expected at Arden Park, filling the pool complex, and spilling on to the multi-purpose lawn and picnic areas nearby. A kiddie pool, minimally used, is in the northwest corner of the pool deck.

Address 1000 La Sierra Dr
Size approx. 12,750 square feet (pool and deck)

Pool Complex Elements

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 Competition Pool (6 lanes) | 2 Kiddie Splash Pool |
| 3 Diving Board | 4 Lifeguard Chairs |
| 5 Chair Lift | 6 Showers |
| 7 Bleachers | 8 Picnic Area |
| 9 Storage | 10 Pool Equipment |



Figure 2-2: Pool Complex, Existing



Image 2-13: View from Entry Gate



Image 2-14: Kiddie Splash Pool (#2)



Image 2-15: Bleachers (#7)

Community Center

The Community Center at Arden Park is the central hub of the park system. The building was constructed at the same time as the Pool Complex and standalone restroom building (north of main structure). The Community Center was originally the bathhouse. In the last fifty years, the building was converted to the Community Center as it exists today, with major renovation occurring in the mid-1990s.

Address 1000 La Sierra Dr
Size 3,480 square feet

Community Center Elements

1	District Office	440 sf
2	Multi-purpose Room	1,350 sf
3	Kitchen	90 sf
4	Preschool	1,100 sf
5	Service Spaces (Storage, Restroom)	500 sf
6	Outdoor Patio Space	--

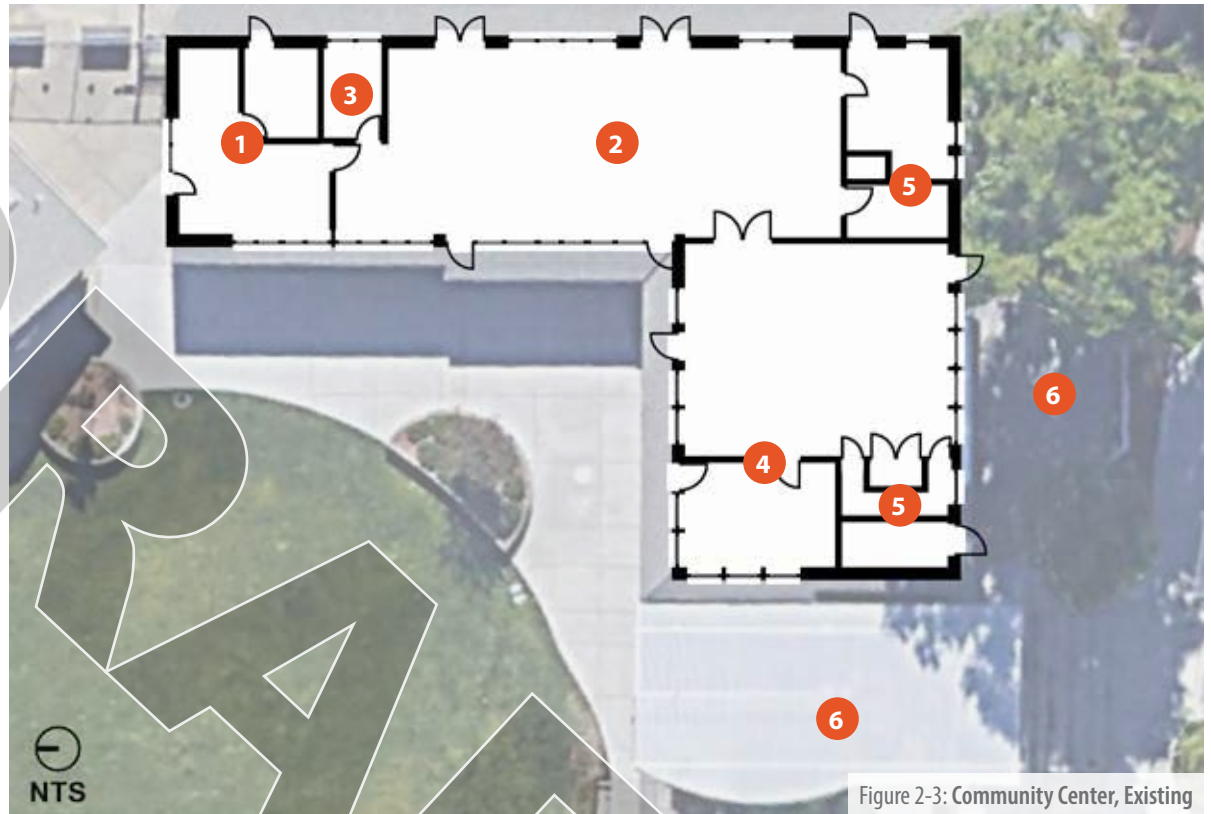


Figure 2-3: Community Center, Existing



Image 2-16: Multi-purpose Room (#2)

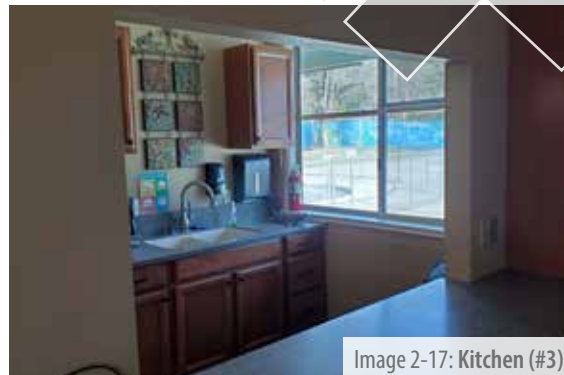


Image 2-17: Kitchen (#3)



Image 2-18: Preschool (#4)



Cresta Park

Overview

Cresta Park is just under five acres, bounded on three sides by Cresta Way, Esperanza Dr, and Las Cruces Way.

Cresta Park is characterized by large lawn areas and two playgrounds (installed early 2000s). A beloved District icon, “The Cheese,” has been at home in Cresta Park since the park’s development. In 2019, the District used Prop 68 funds to construct a restroom in the center of the park. Site lighting is only around the restroom and sheltered picnic area.

The park is very busy during school pick up and drop off times for Mariemont Elementary School because of the pedestrian connection between homes and crosswalk to the park.

Address 4033 Cresta Way
Size 4.8 acres

Park Elements

- | | |
|--|---|
| 1 Playground | 2 “The Cheese” Play Element |
| 3 Tennis Court, dual-striped for Pickleball | 4 Basketball Court, Half |
| 5 Rectangular Field | 6 Picnic Area, Reservable with BBQ |
| 7 Picnic Area | 8 Restrooms |
| 9 Park Entry Sign | 10 Multi-purpose Lawn |
| 11 Well site | ◇◇◇◇ Pedestrian Connection |

There are two well sites in the park, one located adjacent to the restroom structure, and one near the half basketball court (outlined in the site map). These sites are operated by the SCWA.



Figure 2-4: Cresta Park Site Map, Existing



Image 2-19: Playground (#1)



Image 2-20: "The Cheese" Play Element (#2)



Image 2-21: Tennis Court, dual-striped for Pickleball (#3)



Image 2-22: Basketball Court, Half (#4)



Image 2-23: Rectangular Field (#5)



Image 2-24: Picnic Area, Reservable with BBQ (#6)



Image 2-25: Picnic Area (#7)



Image 2-26: Restrooms (#8)



Image 2-27: Multi-purpose Lawn (#10)



Level of Service Analysis

The Arden Park Recreation and Park District provides a high Level of Service (LOS) and incredibly well-maintained parks for the neighborhood.

Level of Service for the Arden Park Recreation and Park District is determined by assessing the quantity of a specific element and how many members of the community it serves.

The current LOS ratio for each element is calculated by dividing the District population by the total quantity of an element. Using the Softball Diamond as an example, the District population of 4,864 is divided by one Softball Diamond to calculate a LOS ratio of 1 : 4,864. See Table 2-3 for current LOS ratios.

A lower LOS ratio means there are more of that specific element available to the public, such as one Tennis Court for 1,216 people. A high LOS ratio means there is a limited quantity of an element and therefore more people must share it, such as one pool for 4,864 people. Contrary to first assumptions, a lower LOS ratio is ideal.

Current Level of Service (LOS) Ratios

Element	Arden Park District
Community Center	1 for 4,864 people
Pool	1 for 4,864 people
Softball Diamond	1 for 4,864 people
Rectangular Field	1 for 4,864 people
Basketball Court	1 for 3,242 people
Tennis Court	1 for 1,216 people
Playground	1 for 1,216 people
Picnic Area, Reservable with BBQ	1 for 1,216 people
Restrooms	1 for 2,432 people

Table 2-3: Current Level of Service Ratios

The walkways in the parks are in excellent condition and wide enough for two people to pass. They connect park visitors from the street to the majority of amenities at each park.

The fall surface under the playgrounds is wood chips. The maintenance staff monitors and refills the play areas as the coverage thins, maintaining an aesthetically-pleasing appearance.

Overall, the parks are maintained to a high level. Only some elements are worth noting for their condition due to their age:

- The tennis court and basketball court surfacing is de-laminating.
- The softball diamond backstop and fencing were scheduled for replacement.
- The pool equipment requires constant maintenance due to its age. Parts are hard to find due to age of the system, and therefore maintenance staff dedicates considerable time and effort to keeping the pool system functioning.
- The playgrounds at both parks are reaching the end of their usable life. While they are still in excellent condition for their age, the structures should be evaluated for replacement.

At the time of writing this Master Plan update, the District has contracts out for the surface de-laminating and softball fence replacement.



Image 2-28: Typical path (Arden Park)



Image 2-29: Playground fall surface (Cresta Park)



Image 2-30: Tennis court surface de-laminating (Arden Park)



Anticipating
Needs



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Community Voice

Overview

An integral component of the Master Plan update was listening to the community's voice. A Master Plan is only as good as the community behind the ideas. Through Spring and Summer 2022, the planning process interviewed stakeholders, hosted an online survey, participated in community events, and presented to the Advisory Board to hear from the neighborhood. An estimated 550 people provided their input on the Master Plan update.

The outreach process included three rounds. Round One, Listening to the Community, was focused on information gathering to learn how the neighborhood uses their parks and ideas on what they would like to improve. Round Two, Preferred Park Concepts, asked the neighborhood to respond to alternative park concept designs to identify the preferred park concept for each site. The last round included publicly distributing the draft Master Plan update for public comment and adoption by the Advisory Board.

The initial round of outreach, Listening to the Community, began in February 2022 and ran through March 2022. It included:

- a project webpage hosted on the District website
- an advertisement in the Parks and Recreation Activity Guide (Spring/Summer 2022)
- postcard to all residences in the District
- social media posts to announce the project and upcoming community input opportunities
- stakeholder and focus group interviews
- pop-up input opportunities in Arden Park
- an online survey
- presentation to the Advisory Board



Figure 3-1: Outreach Schedule

The second round of outreach, Preferred Park Concepts, occurred in April 2022. It included:

- pop-up input opportunity at Arden Park during a District Event
- community webinar
- social media posts to announce project status, upcoming community input opportunities, and input results to date

The adoption of the Master Plan update concludes the outreach and occurred in June and July 2022. It included:

- Draft Master Plan Update document posted online for public review
- social media posts to announce the draft master plan update and opportunity for public comment
- presentation to the Advisory Board

Appendix C includes materials presented to the public and the results from engagement.

Outreach Methods

Outreach was conducted in a hybrid manner, utilizing online and in-person methods to reach as many residents as possible. See Table 3-1 for all outreach methods utilized and Appendix C.

Online and Virtual

Online and virtual engagement included a project webpage on the District website, stakeholder interviews, the community survey, emails, and a public webinar.

Stakeholder Interviews

Stakeholders were identified by the District

and interviewed to inform the engagement and project process. The discussion with stakeholders informed the Community Survey that was distributed to the entire neighborhood. The focus group presentation is included in Appendix C.

Community Survey

The statistically-valid Community Survey was conducted online and received 377 responses in the two-weeks it was open (344 responses from residents). The survey asked why people visit the parks, what they most like about the parks, and what changes to the parks would improve the parks and recreation facilities. All survey questions and responses are included in the Appendix.

Community Webinar

The round two Preferred Park Concepts engagement efforts included a community webinar. The webinar asked attendees for their input on the alternative design concepts generated in response to round one Listening to the Community engagement. After the event, the recorded webinar was made available on the



Image 3-2: Webinar

project webpage. The webinar presentation is included in Appendix C.

Public Comments

Public comments on the draft Master Plan update were collected using an online comment form.

In-person

In-person engagement included the community survey, Advisory Board presentations, and a pop-up booth at a District event.

Community Survey

Community survey forms were made available at the District Office to gather responses in hard copy form.

Dot Input Boards

Dot Input Boards were utilized in both outreach rounds (Listening to the Community and Preferred Park Concepts) to engage with the community in-person at Arden Park. In round one, District Staff asked park visitors what they like about the existing parks and what elements would make their parks better. In round two,



Image 3-1: Booth at District Event

alternative design concepts were displayed at a District event for community support for or against proposed improvements. The final Dot Boards are included in the Appendix.

Advisory Board Presentations

The Advisory Board presentations occurred in person, and were open to the public. Presentations were given to the Advisory Board on March 15, May 17, and June 21. The first presentation summarized the inventory and analysis, shared the community survey results, and discussed goal themes for the Master Plan update to further. The second presentation introduced the draft master plan for public review and comment. The third presented the final Master Plan update for adoption by the Advisory Board. The Advisory Board presentations are included in the Appendix.

Public Comments

Public comments hardcopy forms were available in the District Office for the draft Master Plan update.

Advertising Outreach

Awareness about the project utilized multiple methods, virtual and in person. A project webpage, emails, social media, flyers, postcards, and an advertisement in the Spring/Summer 2022 Recreation Guide were methods used to spread the word about the Master Plan update and promote community input to guide the final plan document.

Project Webpage

The project's web-presence lasted for the duration of the Master Plan update as a page on the District website (www.aprpd.org/2022-

Outreach Methods

Method	Intent/Purpose	Media	Duration
Project Webpage	An information resource for residents and location to post status updates about the project.	Online; Webpage on District website	Entire project
Community Survey	To gather community input on existing conditions and future desires for the District.	Online; Hard copy forms available at the District Office	February 21 to March 7, 2022
Dot Input Boards, Round #1	To complement the online Community Survey with in-person participation opportunities.	In-person; (5) 24"x36" printed boards with interactive dot stickers	Concurrent with Community Survey
Social Media Post	To spread the word about community engagement efforts and generate participation.	Online; Facebook and Instagram District profiles	Entire project
Dot Input Boards, Round #2	To refine the proposed park design concepts and identify community priorities for improvements.	In-person; (5) 24"x36" printed boards and interactive dot stickers	'Easter Eggstravaganza & Breakfast with the Bunny' District event, April 16, 2022
Stakeholder Interview	To begin the outreach process and refine the community survey for the public at large.	Online; Conversations with organizations and local residents	February 8 and 10, 2022
Community Webinar	To gather community feedback on the park design concepts in order to determine the preferred alternative.	Online; Public webinar	April 19, 2022
Advisory Board presentation	To summarize efforts-to-date and receive guidance on the project.	In-person; presentation	March 15, May 17, and June 21, 2022
Mailer	To announce the Community Survey to all District residents and encourage participation.	In-person; Postcard mailed to all residential addresses in the District	Delivered week of February 21, 2022
Advertisement	To inform about the project and encourage community participation.	In-person; Parks and Recreation Activity Guide	Spring/Summer 2022
Flyer	To inform about the project status and encourage community input.	In-person; Flyers posted around the parks to announce upcoming participating avenues	Multiple times throughout entire project
Email 'Blast'	To inform about the project status and encourage community input.	Online; Email to multiple subscriber lists and organization members	Multiple times throughout entire project

Appendix C includes the materials presented to the public and the results from all rounds of engagement.

Table 3-1: Outreach Methods Log



Image 3-3: Social Media posts examples

master-plan-update). The webpage was updated throughout the process to announce engagement opportunities, summarize stages and process, and to distribute the final Master Plan update.

Emails

Emails about the project progress and to encourage additional participation in the project process were used to notify stakeholders and those who signed up for the mailing list in the Community Survey.

Social Media

Making use of the District's established networks is an efficient way to reach a wide number of community members. Posts coincided with major engagement events and work products to encourage the public's participation. Social media posts were made to the District's Facebook



Image 3-4: Ad in Spring/Summer 2022 Recreation Guide

and Instagram accounts. All posts are included in Appendix C.

Flyers

Flyers and posters were placed around the parks to announce upcoming engagement events to promote community input. Flyers are included in Appendix C.

Postcards

A postcard was sent to all District residences in February to announce the upcoming online community survey. The postcard is included in Appendix C.

Ad in Parks and Recreation Activity Guide

An advertisement for the project was placed in the Spring/Summer 2022 Park and Recreation Activity Guide that is sent to all residences in the District. The advertisement is included in Appendix C.

What We Heard

Overall, Arden Park and Cresta Park are well-loved and well-used by the neighborhood.

"The pandemic has shown how nice it is to have outdoor neighborhood spaces to socialize"
- Community Survey response from a District resident

"Great parks and resources — thank you!"
- Community Survey response from a District resident

"Our parks are what make this Arden Park neighborhood a community"
- Community Survey response from a District resident

"I think the parks / community opportunities and events are a huge part of what makes Arden park a special neighborhood. Thanks you!"
- Community Survey response from a District resident

"Thank you all for providing wonderful spots for children and families to gather and make memories."
- Community Survey response from a District resident

"I love living in Arden Park and having access to both Arden and Crest Park. ... These parks are wonderful."
- Community Survey response from a District resident

"The district parks are a treasure.. we are very fortunate!"
- Community Survey response from a District resident

Community Themes

Important themes became evident throughout hearing the community voice. Maintaining a natural space for play and relaxation was highly prioritized by residents. Providing opportunities for both active recreation and passive uses in the parks was highlighted to provide benefit to all park users. The final theme heavily discussed by the District residents was maintaining safe and comfortable parks.

The Parks are Well-Used and Beloved

Arden Park and Cresta Park are well-used parks. In the community survey, 60% of resident responses said they use the parks weekly and 24% said they use the parks daily.

60% of residents visit a District Park WEEKLY
24% of residents visit a District Park DAILY
Community Survey responses from District residents

Anecdotally, we heard from District Staff and residents how important the parks are to their routines. Frequent saxophone serenades, learning to ride a bike, preschool, and school

Top 5 Reasons Residents Visit the Parks



Figure 3-2: Community Survey Question #1, resident responses

pick-up were just some of the reasons visitors use Arden Park and Cresta Park so frequently.

Additionally, the current offerings at each park, in terms of park amenities and programming, were highly regarded and utilized. For instance, “The Cheese” in Cresta Park is an icon of the neighborhood and residents were against any potential changes to the play element.

Keep the Parks Open and Green

Overwhelmingly, the neighborhood enjoys the trees and open green space available at the parks. The community’s voice has consistently been to maintain the open and flexible spaces within the parks, and to maintain and enhance the tree canopy. The importance of trees for the District has been a longtime priority for residents. The previous Master Plan from 2004 promoted a tree maintenance program at the behest of the community to support succession planting and care of existing trees in good health.

The open lawn areas and abundant shade trees create flexible use spaces that host District events, like the Fourth of July Bike Parade and Festival, or concurrent dodgeball games. Spaces that allow layered uses create park space that can be utilized in multiple ways and increases the ability for the parks to support access to nature for all.

Balance Passive and Active Uses

The existing parks are beloved and well-used because they offer active and passive uses for the neighborhood. Some people visit the park for an event on the lawn, a swim in the pool, to play a tennis game, or to celebrate a birthday with friends and family. At times, all these events

Top 6 Favorite Elements at Arden Park

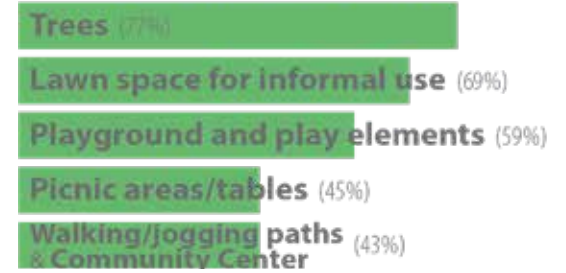


Figure 3-3: Community Survey Question #4, resident responses

Top 3 Favorite Elements at Cresta Park



Figure 3-4: Community Survey Question #7, resident responses

can occur simultaneously in different spaces within the parks. The range of elements available at the parks foster these types of activities and gatherings as an important aspect of the parks, and should be furthered in any recommendation in this Master Plan.

Safety and Comfort

Maintaining safe parks for all was reiterated by multiple participants. Comfortable parks that were welcoming for multiple users was a subset of the safe parks comments expressed by the neighborhood.



Comparing Level of Service

To provide context for the District’s LOS ratios provided by the District (Table 3-2), comparison LOS ratios were calculated for the Mission Oaks Recreation and Park District and Fulton-El Camino Recreation and Park District. Additionally, standard LOS ratios published by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) in 2022 for the jurisdiction category (Jurisdictions with less than 20,000 people) were compared to the District (Table 3-3). These all serve as benchmarks to evaluate the District’s offerings against adjacent Districts and the national average. Using LOS ratios rather than total quantity of an element eliminates the variation in population sizes served by each comparison system to equalize the park offerings in order to compare “apples to apples.”

Park Element	Arden Park District
Community Center	1 for 4,864 people
Pool	1 for 4,864 people
Softball Diamond	1 for 4,864 people
Rectangular Field	1 for 4,864 people
Basketball Court	1 for 3,242 people
Tennis Court	1 for 1,216 people
Playground	1 for 1,216 people
Picnic Area, Reservable with BBQ	1 for 1,216 people
Restrooms	1 for 2,432 people

Table 3-2: Current Level of Service Ratios

Park Element	Mission Oaks	Fulton - El Camino	NRPA Jurisdiction ¹
Community Center	1: 34,989	18,501	8,504
Pool	1: 69,978	37,001	8,637
Softball Diamond	1: 34,989	12,334	5,503
Rectangular Field	1: 13,996	9,250	3,933
Basketball Court	1: 17,495	12,334	3,750
Tennis Court	1: 4,665	3,700	2,723
Playground	1: 4,374	3,364	1,986
Picnic Area, Reservable with BBQ	1: 17,495	3,083	--
Restrooms	1: 13,996	9,250	--

¹: Jurisdictions serving less than 20,000 people, 2022 data

Table 3-3: Comparison Level of Service Ratios

For almost all elements, the Arden Park Recreation and Park District better serves their population with a lower LOS ratio than comparison Districts and the national average. Lower ratios equate to fewer people using one instance of a park element. For example, there are four tennis courts to serve approximately 4,800 people. This calculates to one court for every 1,216 people. Comparatively, the comparison Districts provide one tennis court for 4,665 or 3,700 people, while the national standard is 2,723. Arden Park Recreation and Park District provides a high level of service with low LOS ratios for park elements.

A comparisons graphic (Figure 3-5) illustratively explains the LOS ratio comparisons. Arrows further to the left, meaning a single park element serve a lower quantity of the population, are considered better serving. Arden Park, in dark purple, has the best LOS ratio in all elements, excepting Rectangular Field.

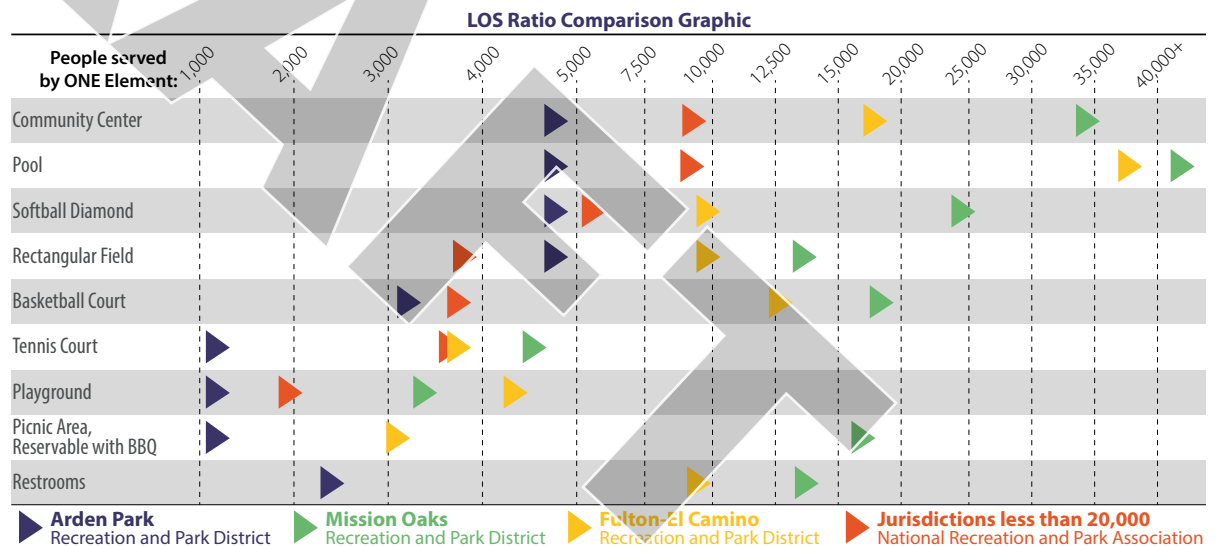


Figure 3-5: Level of Service (LOS) Ratio Comparison Graphic



Recreation Trends

COVID-19 Pandemic

The COVID-19 pandemic has dramatically changed the way we live and how we appreciate and value our recreation and park systems. The pandemic, especially the early stages during lockdown, was a stressful experience for all. Many took to their local parks as spaces of refuge and respite, to slow down, and reconnect with nature. Nature and green spaces have positive effects on our physical and mental health.

Multiple studies arrived at the same conclusion - parks and public land experienced higher-than-normal usage during the pandemic. This increase in use led to an increase in scrutiny - on distribution disparities, accessible and inclusive spaces, and infrastructure maintenance and needed upgrades and improvements.

The silver lining from this experience is the priority placed on creating public places for people. Parks and recreation have become a policy goal for many as a means to improve quality of life. Streets are being thought of as more than routes for cars, but spaces for children to bike and restaurants to seat. Into the future, parks and recreation will continue to play an important role in quality of life.

Recreation Trends

Parks and recreation trends are an evolving measure in response to community desires. In order to plan for the future, recreation trends are utilized in conjunction with community input to inform recommendations, prioritize projects, and ultimately used to guide decisions.

The closures implemented during the COVID-19

pandemic accelerated many recreation trends. The prioritization of public health and well-being is the most obvious trend brought to prominence by the pandemic, with connection to nature and to the community, and reclaiming public space from vehicles for people are also trends that have been implemented quicker due to increased public awareness and demand.

Public Health and Well-Being

There has been a renewed interest in health and well-being. Parks are important elements to combat physical and mental health by promoting active living, stress reduction, and healthy lifestyles. Accelerated by the COVID-19 pandemic, and associated isolation due to the pandemic closures, parks were an outlet for stress relief, physical activity, to experience nature, and to meet with social distancing.

Reconnecting with Nature

Country-wide, there is a movement to reconnect with nature and the outdoors. The positive physical and mental health benefits of green space are many and well-documented. People of all ages are voicing their concerns about the ill effects of a sedentary lifestyle, screen time, and lack of exploratory, unstructured outdoor activities. Public health organizations and parks and recreation departments are working to reverse these negative impacts. This is a response to the recent COVID pandemic as well as the decreased time people spend outdoors compared to previous generations.

A Connected Community

Parks are social spaces for the community to interact. The pandemic shuttered many places that foster social connections - parks, schools,

offices, and more creative public spaces - such as parks - for planned and accidental social interactions bolsters community.

Connection is also physical - the routes and paths people take to reach parks. Interest and support of active transport methods is on the rise, and creating the means for people to walk, bike, scooter, or skate to a public gathering space is being incorporated into how people think about moving around their neighborhoods.

Active Aging Population

As people live longer and in multi-generational housing, the population we call 'seniors' includes multiple generations, that are less interested in typical 'senior center' activities. Instead, they are seeking leisure activities for older adults or multi-generational parks and programs that they can enjoy with their younger family members. Seniors are also looking for programs and amenities to stay physically active and socially engaged.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) is a social priority. Parks and recreation can play an important role by offering a diverse selection of park amenities and recreation programs that appeal to a broad range of interests and consider all abilities when planning and designing new parks, programs and facilities.

Sustainability and Resiliency

Parks are designed with resiliency in mind. Incorporating stormwater infrastructure, low impact design, and native vegetation - especially in drought and wild-fire environments of California - is paramount to creating a sustainable recreation and park system.



Needs Assessment

Arden Park Recreation and Park District provides a high level of service, with park element service ratios well above comparative Districts and the national standard. Therefore, the currently offered levels of service need only be adjusted to accommodate trends and to meet needs voiced by the community.

While Listening to the Community (Round #1 engagement), District residents highly rated non-recreation-centered elements, such as trees and informal lawn space (received about 70% of resident votes for favorite park elements), at both Arden Park and Cresta Park. Playgrounds were also very highly regarded at both park sites, garnering approximately 60% of the votes for favorite park element from District residents. Maintaining the high level of service for the favorite park elements is important to the quality of life provided by the parks.

The number one reason residents visit the parks is to attend a community event; therefore maintaining the spaces that host these events is paramount for the future use and enjoyment of the neighborhood. Most events take place on informal lawn space at Arden Park.

Beyond asking what park users like about the existing parks, the community survey asked park users what elements they think would improve the parks. Similar to recreation trends across California, multi-use paths are increasing in desirability due to their flexibility for many users. There was a marked increase in park usage during the COVID-19 pandemic shutdowns of 2020. People are walking more, and in neighborhoods like Arden Park without sidewalks, multi-use paths are a safe space to walk for exercise.

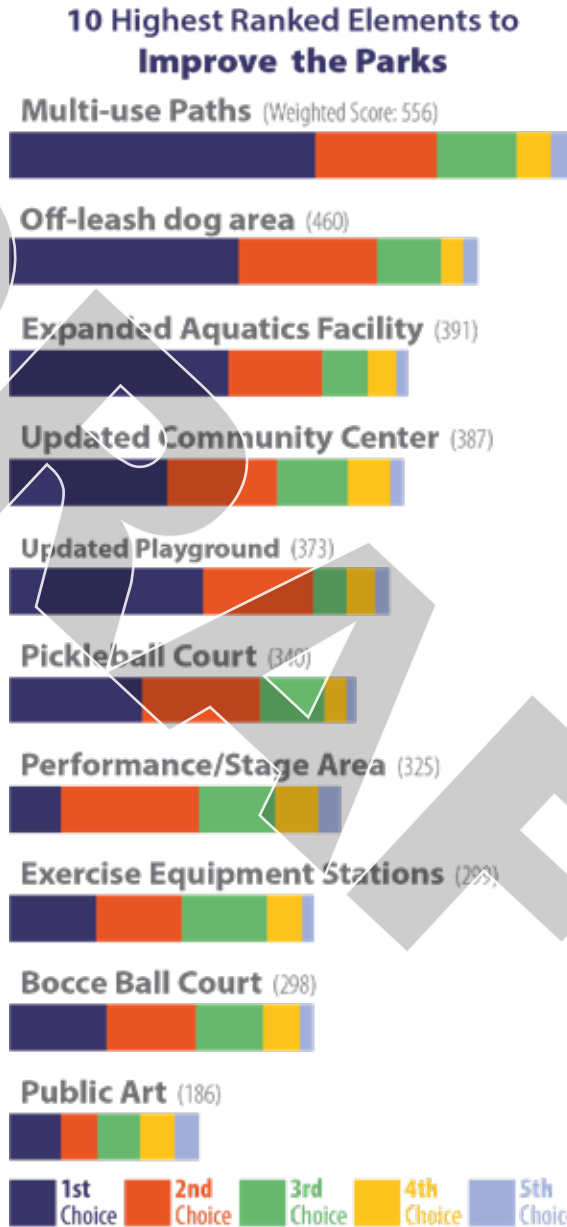


Figure 3-6: Community Survey Question #9, resident responses



Image 3-5: Informal Lawn used for District Events

Dogs are a common site in the neighborhood, and dogs at the parks are typical. Not as strongly desired as multi-use paths, an off-leash dog area was identified by dog owners and non-dog owners alike. There were comments made in stakeholder interviews about creating a space for dogs to alleviate the possible dog poop issues on the open lawn.

Expanding the aquatics offerings and updating the community center were important improvements, and necessary to increase recreation programming provided by the District.

Recreation trends align with many of the current park offerings that are well liked by the community, and support the new and improved amenities that neighborhood has ranked highly. For example, multi-use paths, the highest ranked new element to add to Arden Park and Cresta Park, fulfills three recreation trends: public health and wellbeing, a connected community, and active aging population.



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Goals

At the outset of the Master Plan update, four guiding principles were identified by the District to direct the planning process. The guiding principles were the foundation for the Master Plan update vision.

Guiding Principles:

- Inclusive
- For all ages, abilities, and interests
- “right-sized”
- Adapt and Flex spaces

VISION

Provide the Arden Park Recreation and Park District a path forward with a community-derived, “right-sized,” & implementable plan that guides decision-making for inclusive future improvements and adaptable flex space for users of all ages, abilities, and interests.

To further the Master Plan update’s vision, four goals were identified, informed by themes found in the community input and aligned with the District’s mission. These four goals - Community, Quality, Green, and Uses - serve as tenets for the policies and park design concepts and recommendations that form a community-derived, “right-sized,” and implementable plan for the Arden Park Recreation and Park District over the next ten years.

COMMUNITY



Foster neighborhood and community gathering by providing spaces that encourage social interaction and public amenities for District events and neighborhood meetups.

QUALITY



Provide safe, clean, and beautiful parks and right-sized facilities that support recreation and leisure activities to enrich quality of life for all residents.

GREEN



Operate sustainably with professional management, maintenance, and operations of parks and facilities using resilient and innovative practices that respect the environment.

USES



Continue to support diverse passive and active park and recreation uses, flexible and adaptable spaces and elements for all ages and abilities, and stewardship of shared community resources.

▶▶▶ Policies

The district-wide policies further the Master Plan update goals of Community, Quality, Green, and Uses.

The goal for Community is realized through policies to maintain and expand spaces that host District events and events put on by individual or groups of residents, such as family gatherings, civic organizations, or professional meetings.

The goal for Quality is realized through policies that support continuation of the high-quality parks with park elements and recreation facilities to meet the District's needs.

The goal for Green is realized through policies to further sustainable practices, prioritize native vegetation and tree canopy preservation, and incorporation of high-quality materials to lower maintenance and operation requirements.

The goal for Uses is realized through policies that encourage the District to continue offering a diverse array of recreation programming, flexible spaces that support a multitude of uses, and to revise offerings as community needs change.



Image 4-1: Community Event at Arden Park



Community Policy 1. Design parks to facilitate casual, spontaneous, and planned social interactions at a variety of locations.

Community Policy 2. Continue to offer a diverse selection of District events that are open to all community members.

Community Policy 3. Develop indoor and outdoor spaces adequately-sized to host District events of differing sizes.

Community Policy 4. Create rentable spaces for the community to host their own events of differing sizes in indoor or outdoor spaces. Provide adequate supporting amenities for the gathering spaces, such as restrooms, BBQs or trash cans.

Community Policy 5. Continue Memorial Bench program at Arden Park.



Quality Policy 1. Promote park usage by designing safe and welcoming park environments using Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) best practices.

Quality Policy 2. Provide adequate, conveniently-located comfort features such as shade, seating, and drinking fountains. Provide seating near play amenities for family members to observe.

Quality Policy 3. Create continuous multi-use paths (minimum 48" wide) in a looped configuration to provide a safe off-street walking opportunity that supports many transportation modes (i.e. biking, skateboarding).

Quality Policy 4. Pursue opportunities to increase parkland acreage wherever possible with special attention on parity of parkland.

Quality Policy 5. Consider the physical needs of different user groups when planning and designing sites and selecting park elements.

Quality Policy 6. Continue the District's robust and extensive community engagement efforts in park planning and design for future improvements.



GREEN

Green Policy 1. Use ecologically sustainable best practices. Use low water use, climate-appropriate vegetation and minimize use of maintenance-intensive plant selections.

Green Policy 2. Increase shade and tree canopy across the parks with succession tree planting, volunteer planting events, and continuing the existing tree maintenance program for tree health and longevity.

Green Policy 3. Identify the long term maintenance and operations costs when considering new park elements. Consider durability, maintenance requirements and impacts on environmental systems when selecting materials and site furnishings.

Green Policy 4. Invest in facilities that are constructed of high quality materials, which reduce overall facility maintenance and operations requirements.



USES

Uses Policy 1. Monitor recreation trends and continue to engage with the Arden Park community, including new residents, teens, young families, and the older adult population, to ensure improvements and investments reflect their needs.

Uses Policy 2. Expand and promote additional recreational opportunities and programming in Cresta Park, as appropriate.

Uses Policy 3. Provide adaptable and flexible use spaces that can accommodate multiple functions.

Uses Policy 4. Incorporate principles of inclusive design in any upgrades, renovations or new park construction.

Uses Policy 5. Prioritize upgraded, renovated, or new amenities and programs that promote physical activity and mental health for all ages, abilities, and interests.



Image 4-2: Comfort features oriented towards playground



Image 4-3: Native planting can reduce water requirements

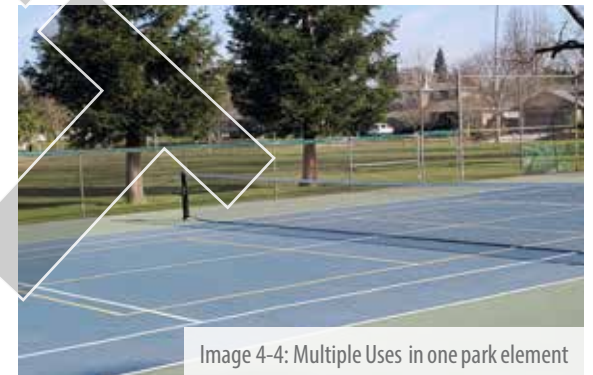


Image 4-4: Multiple Uses in one park element



Park Concept Designs

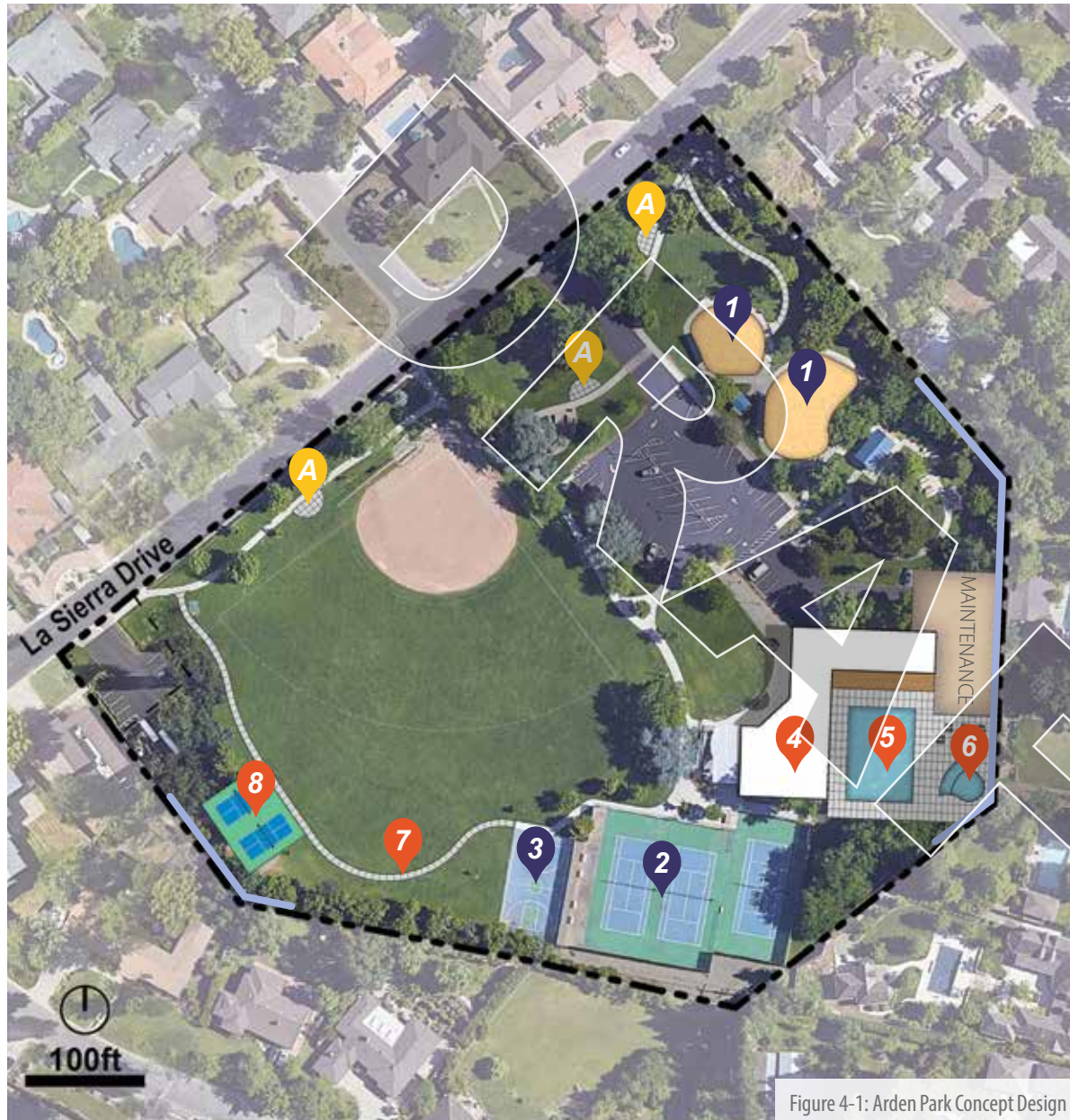


Figure 4-1: Arden Park Concept Design

Arden Park

The recommendations for Arden Park are both upgrade or renovations and new park elements. Three existing park elements to be updated or renovated, and five new elements are recommended. There is one recommendation both supported and not supported by the community.

The community shared their voice for the preferred Arden Park concept design. More about the community outreach process is available in the Appendix, including the initially proposed park design concept.

Park Improvements

Upgrade or Renovate

- 1 Update Existing Playground
- 2 Repave Existing Tennis Courts
- 3 Redo Existing Basketball Court

New

- 4 New Community Center
- 5 New Pool (8-lane)
- 6 New Zero Entry Water Play Feature
- 7 Extended Looped Path
- 8 New Pickleball Courts

Sound wall

Under Consideration

- A New Fitness Equipment Stations

Probable Cost Estimates included in Appendix D.



Figure 4-2: Cresta Park Concept Design

Cresta Park

The recommendations for Cresta Park are both upgrade or renovations and new park elements. Two existing park elements to be updated or renovated and three new elements are recommended.

The community shared their voice for the preferred Cresta Park concept design. More about the community outreach process is available in the Appendix, including the initially proposed park design concept.

Park Improvements

Upgrade or Renovate

- 1 Update Existing Playground
- 2 Improve Existing Soccer Field (grading, drainage, irrigation)

New

- 3 New Bocce Court
- 4 Extended Looped Path
- 5 New Picnic Area

Under Consideration

- A New Concrete Plaza at Crosswalk

Probable Cost Estimates included in Appendix D.



Recommendations

The recommendations for Arden Park and Cresta Park are minimal because the existing parks are so highly maintained, well designed, and currently meet a majority of the neighborhood's needs. The park concept designs were structured to create independent recommendation projects to create flexibility in implementation: piece-by-piece, all at once, or in any combination. The recommendations look to upgrade or renovate existing park elements or propose new.

Elements are recommended for upgrade or renovation are beginning to age or require repair issues not resolvable with annual maintenance work. These include items like the playgrounds, installed in the 1990s and ready for replacement. Playground design ethos has evolved over the past twenty-five years, and upgrading the play space should incorporate these new ideas.

New elements are recommendations to meet needs that have arisen since the last Master Plan or to respond to recreation trends that cannot be accommodated with existing elements. The community center and pool, while existing, are recommended to be replaced with a new community center building and enlarged pool. These two park elements are not considered upgrades or renovation because of there is nothing of the existing to remain besides the same use.

In total, there are five upgrade or renovate recommendations, eight new recommendations, and two recommendations still under consideration for both Arden Park and Cresta Park. Probable Cost Estimates for all park recommendations are included in Appendix D.

Arden Park

The recommendations for Arden Park include three existing park elements to be updated or renovated, five new park elements, and one element that remains under consideration because of the split vote in support.

Upgrade or Renovate

The three park elements recommended to be upgraded or renovated are:

1. existing playgrounds
2. existing tennis courts
3. existing basketball court

The existing playgrounds (#1) are a highly-used park element, and beginning to age. The playgrounds are recommended to be upgraded with new play structures and equipment in the same playground box, meaning no change to the sidewalk ringing both play areas. This recommendation was highly ranked by the community, with 82% of playground votes in support. The play surface, currently wood chip, has served the District well. When the play structures are replaced the District should



Image 4-5: Character Image for Playground Upgrade (#1)

evaluate alternative fall surfaces that are more accessible for mobility devices, as wheelchairs have difficulty traversing wood chips.

The three existing tennis courts (#2) require resurfacing as part of regular maintenance actions to keep the courts in good playing condition. Resurfacing is required every five to ten years, based on condition deterioration. This recommendation was not highly supported (just 39% of tennis court votes were in support of resurfacing) by the community, but because the court usability is being diminished by the surface quality, resurfacing remains a Master Plan recommendation.

The existing basketball court (#3) requires reconstruction. Cracking is a continual issue on the existing court, and in order to address for the longer term, the current asphalt court should be removed and reconstructed of concrete. The community was strongly in support of resurfacing the basketball court, with 86% of basketball court votes supporting.

New

The five new park elements recommended are:

4. community center
5. 8-lane pool
6. zero entry water play feature
7. extended looped path
8. pickleball courts
 - sound wall

A new Community Center (#4) is recommended to replace the existing building. The community supports a new community center with 65% of the votes for the recommendation in

support. The required indoor space for District park administration, recreation programming and events, and rentable community space has exceeded the available square footage. To continue to offer high-quality and diverse programming to the District, a new community center of approximately 10,000 square feet is recommended. The new building should consolidate the park restrooms into the structure, with showers and lockers for pool users, District administrative office, preschool, two dividable multi-purpose rooms, a kitchen to support the rentable room or serve as the snack bar for pool events, storage, and a flexible use patio should all be considered in the design of the new community center.

A new Pool with eight lanes (#5) is recommended to replace the existing 6-lane pool. A new pool received 86% of pool votes in support. The pool is a highly-used amenity in the District, and the demand is high for more pool space and programs. Additionally, the pool is over sixty years old, and the repair work requires extensive time and money to locate replacement parts, craft unavailable parts, and troubleshoot and



Image 4-6: Character Image for New Pool (#5)



Image 4-7: Character Image for Zero Entry Water Play Feature (#6)

maintain a system of it's age. A new, larger pool would offer more opportunities for open swim and more lanes for swim practice and meets.

A new zero entry water play feature (#6) would replace the existing shallow "kiddie" pool. While used, the shallow pool is of limited interest to most. Instead, a zero entry water play feature is recommended. With a variety of play opportunities, including being sited in a shallow pool to maintain a shallow pool area, spraying water features, and a jungle gym would provide more ways for aquatic center visitors to play in water. The community voted 80% in support of creating a zero entry water play feature. Creating a zero depth entry, recreating a beach-like entrance into the shallow pool, would allow easy access into the water play feature.

An extended looped path (#7) is recommended to make a continuous route for park visitors looking to exercise via walking or jogging. This recommendation received the highest percentage of support of all Arden Park recommendations, at 96% of votes on an extended looped path in support. The extended

looped path forms a continuous route along the sidewalk at the front of the park, to the playgrounds, across the parking lot, in front of the community center, by the existing tennis courts and basketball courts, near the tree line at the rear of the softball field, connecting to the new pickleball courts before it reconnects to the sidewalk along La Sierra Drive. Three laps on the extended looped path would equal one mile.

Two new pickleball courts (#8) are recommended in the space currently occupied by the ball wall. Pickleball is one of the fastest growing recreation sports in the United States, and is popular across all age groups. Support for this recommendation came in at 62% of the pickleball court votes. In many instances, pickleball courts are striped onto existing tennis courts, like at Cresta Park. For Arden Park, the recommendation is to construct two pickleball-only courts while retaining the three existing tennis courts as tennis-only.

Two new sound walls should be erected along the park edge to divert sounds from the new pickleball courts and new pool area away from residences abutting the park property. As the



Image 4-8: Character Image for Pickleball Courts (#8)



sounds they are diverting are generated low to the ground, the sound walls are anticipated to be no more than eight to ten feet (8'-10') tall, thereby not visually impacting the park ambiance nor the property owners near the park. This element was not voted upon by residents, as it is seen as a functional aspect of the park, much like the maintenance area, which was also not voted on.

Under consideration

Some recommendations received some support but were not overly supported by the community. For Arden Park, this was the three new fitness equipment stations (#A) recommended along the sidewalk on La Sierra Drive. Receiving 50 votes from residents, exactly half were in support of this recommendation. Walking is a common form of exercise and providing opportunities for supplemental exercise along the looped walking path adds diversity to workouts. The proposed fitness equipment would be visible from the street, and therefore consideration should be given to the aesthetic impact of the fitness stations when equipment is being selected.

Arden Park Recommendations Community Votes

Recommendation	% Votes Support	% Votes Against	Total Votes
1. Update Existing Playground	82%	18%	50
2. Repave Existing Tennis Courts	39%	61%	56
3. Redo Existing Basketball Court	86%	14%	37
4. New Community Center	65%	35%	51
5. New Pool (8-lane)	86%	14%	50
6. New Zero Entry Water Play Feature	80%	20%	56
7. Extended Looped Path	96%	4%	54
8. New Pickleball Courts	62%	38%	50
9. Sound wall	--	--	--
A. New Fitness Equipment Stations	50%	50%	50

Source: Resident votes from Round #2 Dot Input Boards and Webinar
Table 4-1: Community Input on Arden Park Recommendations

Cresta Park

The recommendations for Arden Park include two existing park elements to be updated or renovated, three new park elements, and one element that remains under consideration because of the split vote in support.

Upgrade or Renovate

The two park elements recommended to be upgraded or renovated are:

1. existing playground
2. existing soccer field

The existing playgrounds (#1) are a highly-used park element, and beginning to age. The playgrounds are recommended to be upgraded with new play structures and equipment in the same playground box, meaning no change to the sidewalk ringing both play areas. The play surface, currently wood chip, has served the District well. When the play structures are replaced, the District should evaluate alternative fall surfaces that are more accessible for mobility devices, as wheelchairs have difficulty traversing wood chips.

The existing soccer field (#2) is the only one in the District. The field does not drain properly which can limit practice and game play following rain events. Therefore, it is recommended the entire field be regraded to resolve water retention issues, replacing the irrigation system and installing drainage during the renovation of the existing soccer field.

New

The three new park elements recommended are:

- 3. new bocce court
- 4. extended looped path
- 5. new picnic area

A new bocce court (#3) is recommended to provide additional recreation and social gathering spaces for a larger age demographic at Cresta Park. Proposed near the new restroom, the bocce court would be nestled among mature trees, creating a space playable year-round. Currently, “The Cheese” play element is in the vicinity of the bocce court’s proposed location.

An extended looped path (#4) is recommended to make a continuous route for park visitors looking to exercise via walking or jogging. The extended looped path forms a continuous route around the park. Four laps on the extended looped path would equal one mile.

A new picnic area (#5) is recommended to coincide with the new bocce court. The existing tree canopy would shade the site, or a shade



Image 4-11: Character Image for Picnic Area (#5)

structure could be constructed. The picnic area should be made reservable, to support an event that utilizes the bocce court, playground, or multi-purpose lawn that it is adjacent to.

Under consideration

Some recommendations received some support but were not overly supported by the community. For Cresta Park, this was the new concrete plaza at the crosswalk (#A). Receiving 39 votes from residents, neither support or against received over two thirds of the vote. Students from Mariemont Elementary walk via a pedestrian path between homes to Cresta Park, and a new concrete plaza where the crosswalk lands at the park would bring them into the park and off the street.

**Cresta Park Recommendations
Community Votes**

Recommendation	% Votes Support	% Votes Against	Total Votes
1. Update Existing Playground	81%	19%	43
2. Improve Existing Soccer Field (grading, drainage, irrigation)	86%	14%	44
3. New Bocce Court	78%	22%	54
4. Extended Looped Path	91%	4%	45
5. New Picnic Area	79%	21%	39
A. New Concrete Plaza at Crosswalk	41%	59%	39

Source: Resident votes from Round #2 Dot Input Boards and Webinar

Table 4-2: Community Input on Cresta Park Recommendations



Image 4-10: Character Image for Bocce Court (#3)



Implementation

The Master Plan update is intended to be a living document to guide implementation over the next ten years. As circumstances, opportunities, resources, and demands evolve over the plan's horizon, criteria to prioritize implementation actions should be reevaluated.

The Action Plan at the conclusion of this chapter presents the recommendations with suggested time frames for implementation.

As the District's resources change, opportunities arise, and trends evolve, the recommended projects will likely shift in relative importance. Time frames for implementation will need to be adjusted accordingly. The following criteria will guide decision making process, and help to determine which projects make the best use of available resources.

The cost to implement all recommendations greatly exceeds the District's current financial resources. The District has adopted a pay-as-you-go approach to park improvements in recent years. Under this approach, it will take many years to address the recommended projects, and not all could be feasibly constructed using this method. Other funding will be needed. Utilizing the funding sources identified will allow the District to achieve recommendation implementation.

Probable Cost Estimates for park recommendations were generated in 2022 dollars. As the projects move closer to implementation, probable costs included in this Master Plan update will require adjustment for inflation. The probable cost estimates are in Appendix E.

Prioritization Criteria

Within the overall park system, prioritization of potential projects is critical to ensuring that the District provides parks that maximizes the recreational opportunities available to all.

- Funding availability: Projects or initiatives for which the District has identified funding sources should be moved to active status as capacity allows. An additional consideration is whether the costs are one-time or recurring. Multiple benefit projects or initiatives, those that advance the goals, projects, and directions of other District or County plans, often have more sources for funding.
- Reduces operating costs or generates revenue: Projects or initiatives that can create additional revenue, improve maintenance or operations efficiencies, and conserve water or reduce water usage should be given high priority to move forward.
- Time-limited opportunity: Opportunities that arise may come with a time constraint. Time limited opportunities that advance the District's goals should be leveraged so as not to be lost.
- Quick win: Some projects can be quickly implemented, demonstrating results to the community and meeting immediate needs. Providing quick wins keeps staff and the community engaged and invested while longer term and more complicated projects are underway.
- New and Upgrade: New projects provide park elements not currently available to the community. Upgrade projects replace exiting uses. This should be a consideration in prioritizing projects.

Funding Strategies

The Master Plan update describes a comprehensive range of park improvements desired by the community to maintain the quality of the current park system and address currently unmet needs.

General Fund

Sources of revenue include the District's General Fund budget comprised of property taxes, facility rental income and program fees. The Capital Improvement Projects program (CIP) is funded largely by the General Fund. The District also receives revenue from an assessment district to fund maintenance activities. Additional funds come from rental fees for District property, aid from other government agencies, program fees for recreation services, user fees, and donations. These fees are usually used to help offset the cost of operation and maintenance of the services.

Park Development Impact Fees

The County of Sacramento has established Park Development Impact Fees to finance the costs of park facilities within Recreation and Park Districts.

The Quimby Act permits the County, on behalf of the District, to require the dedication of land or impose a requirement of the payment of fees in lieu thereof, or a combination of both, for park or recreation purposes as a condition of the approval of a tentative or parcel map. As Arden Park is fully developed, the Quimby Act is not anticipated as a funding mechanism.

Development Impact Fees are also assessed by the County under the Mitigation Fee Act to provide onetime funds for facilities and infrastructure that serve the needs of the proposed development. A

Development Impact Fee requires a Nexus Study to assess and set the fee rate. Eight adjacent Recreation and Park Districts in Sacramento County have Development Impact Fees for residential and other construction. Fees are due at building permit issuance. Arden Park Recreation and Park District does not have an established Development Impact Fee.

Assessments and Bonds

In order to secure additional funding to meet the District's needs, the community survey for this Master Plan update asked residents if they would potentially support supplemental property assessments for District improvements and operations. Supplemental property assessments can be special assessment districts, such as a Community Facilities Districts or Enhanced Infrastructure Financing Districts, or a bond measure to fund improvements. An assessment or bond could address funding for improvements, upgrades, and new park elements.

Creation of an assessment district permits a public agency to assess housing units or land parcels. The assessment revenues can be used for park land acquisition, development, and/or maintenance. The agency can choose to use the revenue generated on a pay-as-you-go basis or can sell bonds in order to receive a lump sum amount. The bonds are then paid back from the annual revenue generated from the assessment. Establishment of a district or revision to an assessment district requires a vote of property owners. The majority of returned votes must be in favor of establishing or revising the district.

There is a Benefit Assessment District in place for Arden Park Recreation and Park District.

The Benefit Assessment District is a Lighting and Landscaping Assessment District. The assessment was levied to finance construction, maintenance, and operations of landscape, park and recreation facilities, lighting and improvements. The Benefit Assessment District was established with voter approval. The District annually receives approximately \$172,000.00 from the 1,884 parcels within its bounds, each contributing \$91.72 in a direct levy. This provides consistent funding for the District with no sunset clause.

A General Obligation Bond is a voter-approved bond with the assessment placed on real property for a specified period of time (typically fifteen to twenty years). Passage of a General Obligation Bond requires a two thirds (2/3) voter majority. The money can only be used for capital improvements, not maintenance.

Partnerships and Grants

This Master Plan update provides a solid foundation for seeking partnerships, sponsorships, donations and grants to help fund park improvements and expand recreational opportunities for the Arden Park community.

In recent years, corporate philanthropy, individual giving and foundation and grant funding has been increasing significantly. According to the National Recreation and Park Association, this type of funding for city parks increased from \$499 million in 2018 to \$596 million in 2019. The top three private sector employers in the Sacramento area, Kaiser Permanente, Sutter Health, and Dignity Health, are potential partners for funding improvements or programs that focus on improving health outcomes. In addition to these



Image 4-12: Prop 68 funded restroom at Cresta Park

large corporations, the District currently uses and should continue partnerships with businesses. For example, the District currently partners with local businesses to sponsor District-events, such as the egg hunt at the Easter Eggstravaganza.

The District successfully pursued Prop 68 funding for the restroom, picnic area, and lighting improvements at Cresta Park. The voters of California approved Proposition 68, a bond act that provides funds for a variety of environmental projects, park maintenance and park improvements being the primary focus of the initiative.



Action Plan

The Action Plan presents each recommendation and identifies a time frame for its implementation. The time frames are:

- completed within one to three years
- completed within three to five years
- initiated five years or more from the approval of this Master Plan Update
- ongoing

The Action Plan is a tool that is intended to be updated over the life of this Master Plan Update as circumstances, resources, opportunities and needs change. This version of the Action Plan is a snapshot of priorities as of the time of the Master Plan Update adoption.

		Action Plan			
Park	Recommendation	Ongoing	1-3 years	3-5 years	5+ years
Arden	1. Update Existing Playground	-	-	X	-
Arden	2. Repave Existing Tennis Courts	-	X	-	-
Arden	3. Repave Existing Basketball Court	-	X	-	-
Arden	4. New Community Center	-	-	-	X
Arden	5. New Pool (8-lane)	-	-	-	X
Arden	6. New Zero Entry Water Play Feature	-	-	-	X
Arden	7. Extended Looped Path	-	X	-	-
Arden	8. New Pickleball Courts	-	-	X	-
Arden	9. Sound wall	-	-	X	-
Arden	A. New Fitness Equipment Stations	-	-	-	-
Cresta	1. Update Existing Playground	-	-	X	-
Cresta	2. Improve Existing Soccer Field (grading, drainage, irrigation)	-	X	-	-
Cresta	3. New Bocce Court	-	-	X	-
Cresta	4. Extended Looped Path	-	X	-	-
Cresta	5. New Picnic Area	-	-	X	-
Cresta	A. New Concrete Plaza at Crosswalk	-	-	-	-
Both	1. Landscape Maintenance	X	-	-	-
Both	2. Tree Maintenance Program	X	-	-	-

Table 4-3: Action Plan



Arden Park
RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT
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Appendix
A
2004 Master Plan
Recommendations

2004 Master Plan Recommendations for Arden Park

Recommendation	Current Status
Widening of the entry drive to offer safer passage of vehicles entering and leaving the park.	Completed
Removal of the shuffleboard court which is underused and replacing with a group picnic area near the softball field.	Completed
Relocation of the horseshoe court near the existing group picnic area.	Completed
Enhancements to the tennis complex including a 4th tennis court, spectator seating for tournament play, an informal seating area at the entrance to the tennis courts and a tennis practice wall.	
Shaded seating areas in front of the community center which can also be used as outdoor classrooms.	
Shade over the pool bleachers.	
A picnic/seating area between the tennis courts and pool complex designed to be used whenever there is an event taking place at either facility. The use of gates to close off the tennis courts when a pool event is taking place and visa-versa provides flexibility for this area.	Completed
A new basketball court relocated to make room for the 4th tennis court yet still adjacent to the tennis complex.	
New drinking fountain next to the children's play area and tot lot.	Completed
Replacement of the existing drinking fountain next to the softball field with a new one that is located between the group picnic area and softball field.	Completed
Replace unsafe walkways in the park and install new walkways to provide additional pedestrian access and circulation.	Completed
Informational Kiosk at the entrance to the park.	
Additional trees to provide shade for the children's play areas and seating areas.	Completed
Regrade the area in the softball outfield that currently has drainage problems and install a drainage system to prevent damage to the new basketball court.	Completed
The area for the new tennis court must be regraded to bring it up to the level of the existing tennis courts. A retaining wall would be installed between the tennis court and basketball court, incorporated with the practice wall, to accommodate the grade difference.	
Provide extra reinforcing for paving in and leading to the picnic area between the tennis courts and pool to allow utility trucks to access the adjacent easement.	Completed

2004 Master Plan Recommendations for Cresta Park

Recommendation	Current Status
Replacement of the existing restroom and storage building.	Completed
Removal of the existing substandard basketball court.	Completed
Addition of a pedestrian walk through the middle of the park and along the streets on the eastern half of the park.	
Consolidation of the two picnic areas into a group picnic area with 4 tables and barbeque located between the children's play area and the soccer field.	Completed
Removal of the liquid amber trees next to the tennis court.	Completed
Shaded seating areas in the center of the park near the children's playgrounds and tennis court.	
Additional trees to provide shade for the play areas.	Completed
Additional security lighting.	Completed
A drinking fountain that would serve the picnic and play areas.	Completed
Regrade the soccer field and install a drainage system to address problems with the field becoming soggy in the winter.	

2004 Master Plan Recommendations for both Parks

Recommendation	Current Status
Remove dead and declining trees over time and plant additional park trees. Establish a tree maintenance program and prune mistletoe from existing trees.	Completed
Incorporate the use of signage in the parks to indicate park hours, rules, programs, and activities.	Completed
Replace the bollards with a low barrier wall that will help protect the parks.	Completed
Update and improve the irrigation systems in the two parks.	Completed



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Appendix
B
Park Element
Inventory Assessments



Park Element Inventory Assessments

Condition

The Condition of each park element was evaluated using the scale good, fair, and poor. The condition category is related to the functionality of the park element, the amount of wear and tear, and recommends maintenance, repair, or replacement.

Condition Categories

Rating	Definition
Good	Park element is functioning as intended with minimal wear or damage. No immediate action beyond preventative maintenance is required.
Fair	Park element is showing some signs of wear or damage. Function and service is minimally impacted, and maintenance is recommended.
Poor	Park element is damaged or worn to the point where basic functionality or user safety is compromised. Immediate replacement is recommended.

Capacity

The Capacity of each park element was determined by unit or by area.

Unit

Park elements calculated by unit multiply the quantity of an element by a predetermined quantity of users. For example, a picnic table can seat six people, so the capacity of a picnic area is the number of tables multiplied by six people.

Unit Calculations

Park Element	Users
Picnic Table	6
Horseshoe Pit ¹	4
Tennis Court	4
Softball Diamond	20
Basketball Court	10
Playground elements	Quantity per supplier recommendation

¹ Horseshoe Pit removed during Master Planning process in Spring 2022

Area

One park element was calculated by area. First, the area was measured (approx. square feet) and then divided by the predetermined area per user.

Area Calculations

Park Element	Area per User
Multi-purpose Lawn	250 sf

User Value

The User Value is directly related to the community survey responses for questions four and seven. User value is the rank for a park element (higher volume of responses equates to a higher rank). Park elements selected by more respondents have a higher user value. Not every park element inventoried was included in the community survey, like the pool storage area, and therefore some elements have an "N/A".

User Values (Rank)

Park Element	Arden	Cresta
Playground / play elements	3	3
Trees	1	1
Lawn space for informal use	2	2
Walking/jogging paths	5	--
Softball diamond	10	--
Tennis court	8	--
Tennis / pickleball court	--	5
Horseshoe pit ¹	15	--
Basketball court	12	8
Ball wall	13	--
Memorial benches	11	--
Picnic areas/tables	4	--
BBOs	14	--
Reservable group picnic areas with BBQ	9	6
Community Center	5	--
Aquatics Center	7	--
Soccer field	--	4
"The Cheese" play element	--	7

¹ Horseshoe Pit removed during Master Planning process in Spring 2022



Arden Park



Address 1000 La Sierra Dr
Size 7.9 acres

Park Elements

- 1 Parking Lot
- 2 Pool Complex
- 3 Community Center
- 4 Multi-purpose Lawn
- 5 Playground
- 6 Tennis Court
- 7 Basketball Court
- 8 Picnic Area, Reservable with BBQ
- 9 Picnic Area
- 10 Softball Diamond
- 11 Ball Wall
- 12 Restrooms
- 13 Park Entry Sign
- 14 Horseshoe Pit (removed Spring 2022)
- 15 Outdoor Stage Area
- 16 Maintenance Yard
- 17 Parking Lot (right-of-access easement)
- 18 Well site
- A Former Fire Station, owned by Sacramento County Water Agency
- Bench
- Drinking Fountain
- Memorial Bench





Park Elements at Arden Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
1	Parking Lot	Good	44 stalls 2 ADA stalls	N/A		
4a	Multi-purpose Lawn	Good	74 people	2	approx. 18,500 sf	
4b	Multi-purpose Lawn	Good	44 people	2	approx. 11,000 sf	



Park Elements at Arden Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
4c	Multi-purpose Lawn	Good	30 people	2	approx. 7,500 sf	
4d	Multi-purpose Lawn	Good	86 people	2	approx. 21,500 sf	
5a	Playground, 2-5 year olds	Fair Aging Equipment	53 users <i>(total user quantities generated using play structure capacity information for manufacturer's sales representative)</i>	3	approx. 4,750 sf Shaded Wood chip fall surface Design Drawings 1998	




Park Elements at Arden Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
5b	Playground, 5-12 year olds	Fair Aging Equipment	83 users <i>(total user quantities generated using play structure capacity information for manufacturer's sales representative)</i>	3	approx. 2,750 sf Shaded Wood chip fall surface Design Drawings 1998	
5c	Swings	Fair Aging Equipment	6 users	3	4 swings 1 bucket swing 1 adaptive swing seat Wood chip fall surface Design Drawings 1998	
5d	Play elements	Fair Aging Equipment	5 users	3	1 playhouse 1 teeter totter 1 tunnel wall 1 spaceship Wood chip fall surface Design Drawings 1998	




Park Elements at Arden Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
6a	Tennis Court	Fair Cracking play surface	4 players (2 people per side)	8		
6b	Tennis Court	Fair Cracking play surface	4 players (2 people per side)	8		
6c	Tennis Court	Fair Cracking play surface	4 players (2 people per side)	8		

Park Elements at Arden Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
7	Basketball Court	Fair Cracking play surface	10 player (5 people per side)	12		
8a	Picnic Area, Reservable with BBQ (Covered)	Good	30 people	9	Shaded 5 tables 2 BBQs	
8a.1	BBQs at Picnic Area	Good	N/A	14	2 BBQs	




Park Elements at Arden Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
8b	Picnic Area, Reservable with BBQ (Softball)	Good	24 people	9	4 tables 1BBQ	
8c	Picnic Area, Reservable with BBQ (Patio)	Good	24 people	9	Shaded 4 tables 1 BBQ	
9a	Picnic Area	Good	8 people	4	1 table Shaded	

Park Elements at Arden Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
9b	Picnic Area	Good	12 people	4	2 tables 1 BBQ	
9c	Picnic Area	Good	12 people	4	2 tables 1 BBQ	
9d	Picnic Area	Fair BBQ broken	12 people	4	2 tables 1 BBQ	


Park Elements at Arden Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
9e	Picnic Area	Good	12 people	4	2 tables 1 BBQ	
9f	Picnic Area	Good	12 people	4	2 tables	
9g	Picnic Area	Good	12 people	4	2 tables	




Park Elements at Arden Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
10	Softball Diamond	Fair Aging Equipment Dugout benches are warped wood	20 players (10 people per side)	10	Slow pitch (65ft baseline)	
11	Ball Wall	Poor Graffiti	4 players (2 people per side)	13		
12	Restrooms	Fair Aging Building	N/A	N/A		




Park Elements at Arden Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
13	Park Entry Sign	Good	N/A	N/A		
14	Horseshoe Pit (removed Spring 2022)	Poor Weeds No sand (all hard dirt)	4 players (2 people per side)	15	1 game pit	
15	Outdoor Stage Area	Good	24 people	N/A	Tiered bench seating	




Park Elements at Arden Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
16a	Maintenance Yard	Fair	4 workers	N/A	2 garages 1 yard 1 pool equipment yard	
16b	Maintenance Yard - Garage	Fair	N/A	N/A	Workbench Storage	
16c	Maintenance Yard - Garage	Fair	N/A	N/A	Vehicle Storage	




Park Elements at Arden Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
17	Parking Lot (right-of-access easement for Sacramento County Water Agency)	Good	8 stalls	N/A		
18	Well site (Sacramento County Water Agency)	N/A	N/A	N/A		
A	Former Fire Station (owned by Sacramento County Water Agency)	N/A	N/A	N/A	District has access to one truck bay for storage	




Pool Complex Elements at Arden Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
	Pool	Fair Aging Equipment	130 people	7	6 lanes Depth range: 3 ft to 10 ft	
	Kiddie Splash Pool	Fair Aging Equipment	22 people	7	Depth: 1-1/2 ft	
	Shade Area for Bleachers	Good	N/A	N/A		




Pool Complex Elements at Arden Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
	Picnic Area	Good	12 people	4	2 tables	
	Storage	Fair	N/A	N/A		
	Storage Shed	Fair	N/A	N/A		


Pool Complex Elements at Arden Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
	Storage Shed	Fair	N/A	N/A		
	ADA Lift	Fair	1 person	N/A		
	Lifeguard Chair	Fair	1 person	N/A		

Pool Complex Elements at Arden Park




Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
	Lifeguard Chair	Fair	1 person	N/A		
	Diving Board	Fair	1 person	N/A		
	Showers	Fair	3 people	N/A		

Pool Complex Elements at Arden Park




Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
	Pool Equipment	Poor Aging Equipment	N/A	N/A	installed in 1950s	

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Community Center Elements at Arden Park




Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
	District Office	Fair Tight quarters Limited space	3 people	N/A	440 sf 3 desks Copy area	
	Multi-purpose Room (MPR)	Fair	75 people (assembly) 60 people (dining)	5	1,350 sf Stage (8 round tables)	
	MPR Kitchen	Fair	3 people	5	90 sf 1 sink 1 fridge pass-thru to: pool deck, MPR	

Community Center Elements at Arden Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
	MPR Restroom	Good	1 user	N/A	1 stall	
	MPR Storage	Poor	N/A	N/A		
	Preschool	Fair	30-50 students	5	850 sf	


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Community Center Elements at Arden Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
	Preschool Office	Fair	1 instructor	N/A	250 sf	
	Preschool Restrooms	Fair	2 students (1 per restroom)	N/A	2 stalls	
	Preschool Storage	Poor	N/A	N/A		

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Community Center Elements at Arden Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
	Preschool Patio	Fair	N/A	N/A	380 sf Removable shades	

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Cresta Park

Address 4033 Cresta Way

Size 4.8 acres

Park Elements



- 1 Playground
- 2 "The Cheese" Play Element
- 3 Tennis Court, dual-striped for Pickleball
- 4 Basketball Court, Half
- 5 Soccer Field
- 6 Picnic Area, Reservable with BBQ
- 7 Picnic Area
- 8 Restrooms
- 9 Park Entry Sign
- 10 Multi-purpose Lawn
- 11 Well site
- ◇◇◇◇ Pedestrian Connection
- Bench
- Drinking Fountain





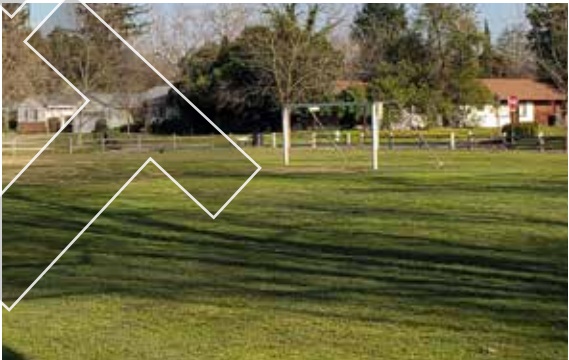
Park Elements at Cresta Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
1a	Playground, 2-5 year olds	Fair Aging Equipment	55 users <i>(total user quantities generated using play structure capacity information for manufacturer's sales representative)</i>	3	approx. 6,250 sf Wood chip fall surface Design Drawings 2000	
1b	Playground, 5-12 year olds	Fair Aging Equipment	65 users <i>(total user quantities generated using play structure capacity information for manufacturer's sales representative)</i>	3	approx. 2,500 sf Wood chip fall surface Design Drawings 2001	
1c	Swings	Fair Aging Equipment	6 people	3	5 swings 1 bucket swing Wood chip fall surface Design Drawings 2000	




Park Elements at Cresta Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
1d	Play elements	Fair Aging Equipment	11 people	3	1 spring rocker 2 spinners 1 teeter totter 1 playhouse 1 balance beam 1 spaceship Wood chip fall surface Design Drawings 2000	
2	"The Cheese" Play Element	Fair Aging Equipment, Chipping Surface	4 users	7	Dirt fall surface	

Park Elements at Cresta Park




Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
3	Tennis Court, dual-striped for Pickleball	Good	4 players (2 people per side)	5		
4	Basketball Court, Half	Good	8 players (4 people per side)	8		
5	Soccer Field	Fair Poor drainage	18 players	4	246 ft between goals (max. U12 field)	

Park Elements at Cresta Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
6	Picnic Area, Reservable with BBQ	Good	30 people	6	5 tables 1 BBQ Shaded	
7a	Picnic Area	Good	6 people	N/A	1 table 1 BBQ	
7b	Picnic Area	Good	12 people	N/A	2 tables 1 BBQ	



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Park Elements at Cresta Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
8	Restrooms	Good	2 people (1 person per restroom)	N/A		
9	Park Entry Sign	Good	N/A	N/A		
10	Multi-purpose Lawn	Good	306 people	2	approx. 76,500 sf	

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Park Elements at Cresta Park

Map #	Element	Condition	Capacity	User Value	Notes	Image
11a	Well site (Sacramento County Water Authority)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
11b	Well site (Sacramento County Water Authority)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	

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Appendix
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Community Outreach



Community Outreach

OUTREACH SCHEDULE



Overview

The outreach process included three rounds. The first, Listening to the Community, was focused on information gathering to learn how the neighborhood uses their parks and ideas on what they would like to improve. The second, Preferred Park Concepts, asked the neighborhood to respond to alternative park concept designs to identify the preferred park concept for each site. The last round included publicly distributing the draft Master Plan update and adoption by the Advisory Board.

This appendix includes the materials presented to the public and the results from the online survey and dot input boards.

Listening to the Community

The initial round of outreach began in February 2022 and ran through March 2022. It included:

- a project webpage hosted on District website
- an advertisement in the Parks and Recreation Activity Guide (Spring/Summer 2022)
- postcard to all residences in the District
- social media posts to announce the project and upcoming community input opportunities
- stakeholder and focus group interviews
- pop-up input opportunities in Arden Park
- an online survey
- presentation to the Advisory Board

Preferred Park Concepts

The second round of outreach occurred in April 2022. It included:

- pop-up tent at a District Event
- community webinar
- presentation to the Advisory Board

Master Plan Update

The final outreach round, the adoption of the Master Plan update, occurred in May 2022 and included:

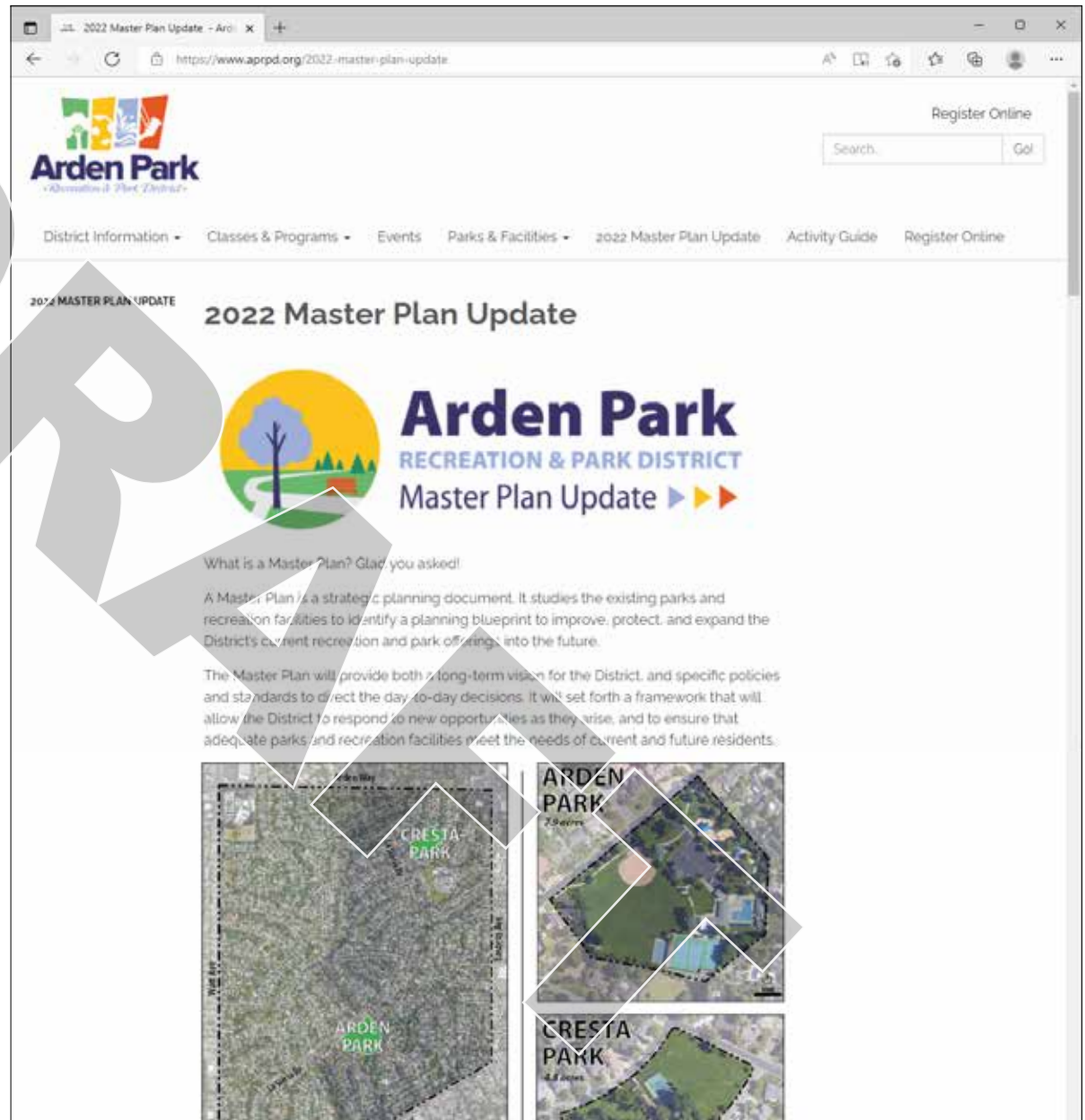
- Draft Master Plan Update document posted online for public review
- presentation to the Advisory Board



Project Webpage

The Master Plan update had a dedicated webpage on the District website for the entire duration of the project. Throughout the planning process the webpage was update to announce upcoming community input opportunities, provide updates as the project progressed, and to publicize the draft Master Plan update for public review and comment

- January 20: webpage created
- January 25: project announcement
- February 21: survey announcement
- March 16: survey results published
- March 26: announce round #2 events
- April 20: announce round #2 results
- June 21: draft master plan published for public review and comment
- July 19: adopted master plan published



Media

Ad in Parks and Recreation Activity Guide

An advertisement for the project was placed in the Spring/Summer 2022 Parks and Recreation Activity Guide for the District. It was mailed to all addresses in the District.

Postcard

A postcard was mailed to all District residences in February to announce the community survey and encourage participation.

Social Media

Social media was used to publicize upcoming community input opportunities, encourage participation, and to summarize results. Overarchingly, social media posts were intended to increase traffic on the project's webpage. All posts were made to the District's Facebook and Instagram accounts.

Flyers and Posters

Flyers and posters were placed around the parks.

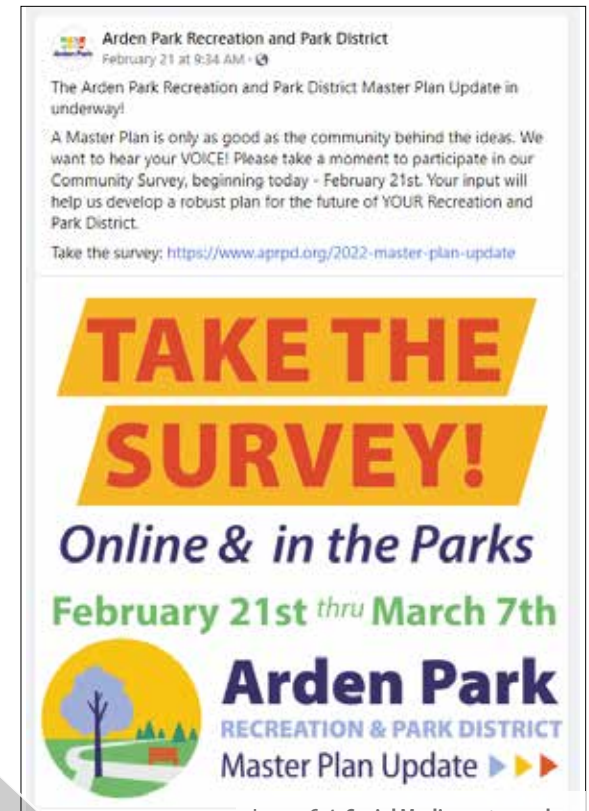


Image C-4: Social Media post samples



Image C-1: Recreation Guide Advertisement



Image C-2: Project postcard, front (above) and back (below)



Image C-3: Project flyer in Arden Park announcements board

2/21/22



TAKE THE SURVEY!
Online & in the Parks
February 21st thru March 7th
Arden Park
RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT
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The Arden Park Recreation and Park District Master Plan Update is underway!

A Master Plan is only as good as the community behind the ideas. We want to hear your VOICE! Please take a moment to participate in our Community Survey, beginning today - February 21st. Your input will help us develop a robust plan for the future of YOUR Recreation and Park District.

2/23/22



TAKE THE SURVEY!
Participate **online** or visit the *District Office* for a **hardcopy survey**
Arden Park
RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT
Master Plan Update ▶▶▶

We want to hear from YOU about the future of your parks. The Arden Park Recreation and Park District offers an array of outdoor opportunities, from swim, sports, and playgrounds. We want to know what you want to see more of. A bigger community center? More sports courts? Or maybe just new playgrounds?

Take the Online Survey online - or visit the District Office for a hardcopy form - and let us know!

2/25/22



Join us to shape the future of how Arden Park will **PLAY!**
COMMUNITY SURVEY *Online & in the Parks*
Arden Park
RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT
Master Plan Update ▶▶▶ February 21st thru March 7th

Hey, Arden Park!

The Arden Park Recreation and Park District Master Plan is being UPDATED! A Master Plan is a strategic planning document that provides framework for future park and facility improvements.

We want to hear from you! Share your VOICE in a Community Survey to tell us how you use Arden Park and Cresta Park.

2/27/22



The Master Plan Update will collect and analyze data regarding the state of the current parks, evolving demographics and emerging needs in order to develop recommendations to improve, protect and expand the District's network of parks and recreational services for the future.

YOU the community play an integral part in this process. Please take the Online Survey today to share your input.

3/1/22



Parks are all about getting outside with the ones you love. Whether it is picnicking with the family or a mellow stroll with your partner, Arden Park and Cresta Park are here for you. We want to hear from you about what your family enjoys about your parks.

Take the Online Survey today!

3/3/22



What do you like about your parks? What can be improved?

Take the Online Survey today!

3/5/22



Round #1 of community outreach is almost over! Take this opportunity to make your voice heard on the future of your parks. The Recreation and Parks Master Plan Update needs YOU -the community- to help guide the future of the Arden Park District.

Take the Online Survey before it closes in two days (Monday the 7th)!

3/7/22



Thank you all for your participation in the Round One of outreach for the Arden Park Recreation and Parks Master Plan Update. Your input is essential, driving the vision of your parks for years to come.

If you have not yet had a chance to take the Online Survey, please take a moment today and share your VOICE!

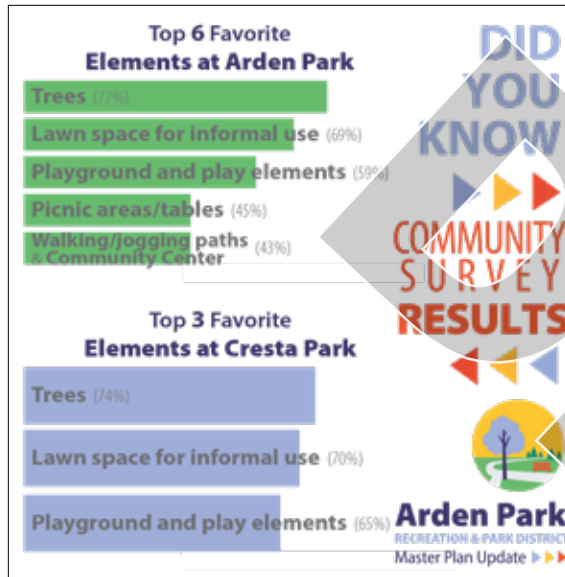
3/24/22



Thank you all for your participation in the Round One of outreach for the Arden Park Recreation and Parks Master Plan Update. Did you know... 60% of residents say they visit a District park weekly!

Find out more about how your fellow residents use Arden Park or Cresta Park on the Master Plan update webpage.

3/26/22



Parks are all about getting outside with the ones you love. And while in the parks, Arden Park residents favor the trees, open lawn space for informal use, and playgrounds.

Find out more about what your fellow residents most like about Arden Park or Cresta Park on the Master Plan update webpage.

3/29/22



What do you like about your parks? What can be improved? We heard multi-use paths and an off-leash dog area would most improve district parks.

Find out more about what your fellow residents think will most improve Arden Park of Cresta Park on the Master Plan update webpage.

4/13/22



The Arden Park Recreation and Park District Master Plan Update is underway!

A Master Plan is only as good as the community behind the ideas. We want to hear your VOICE! Participate in creating the preferred park design in-person - at the Easter Eggstravaganza on April 16th - or virtually - at a Community Webinar on April 19th. Your input will help us develop a robust plan for the future of YOUR Recreation and Park District.

4/15/22



Hey, Arden Park!

The Arden Park Recreation and Park District Master Plan is being UPDATED! A Master Plan is a strategic planning document that provides framework for future park and facility improvements. We've heard from the neighborhood what they like and what would improve the parks - and now it's time to determine the preferred concept designs for Arden Park and Cresta Park.

We want to hear from you! Share your VOICE in engagement events in April.

4/17/22



Round #2 of community outreach has one more event! Take this opportunity to make your voice heard on the future of your parks. The Recreation and Parks Master Plan Update needs YOU -the community- to help guide the future of the Arden Park District.

Sign up to participate in the Community Webinar on Tuesday evening, April 19th at 6:00pm.

4/19/22



Thank you all for your feedback on the Park Concept Designs at the Easter Eggstravaganza this past weekend! The Community Webinar about the Park Concept Designs occurs TONIGHT- Tuesday, April 19th. Sign up to participate!

Your input is essential, driving the vision and park designs in the Arden Park Recreation and Parks Master Plan Update.



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TAKE THE SURVEY!

February 21 to March 7th



SCAN this QR Code with your phone or tablet

Or, use your internet browser www.surveymonkey.com/r/ArdenPark

Participate in the Survey **online** or head to the District Office for a **hardcopy survey form**

Watch for **participation "pop ups"** in the parks while the Survey is open

Project Webpage
www.aprpd.org/2022-master-plan-update



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COMMUNITY WEBINAR

PARK CONCEPT DESIGNS

April 19th @ 6:00pm



SCAN this QR Code to SIGN-UP to PARTICIPATE in the Webinar

Share your **VOICE** to **influence** the **PREFERRED PARK DESIGNS** for Arden and Cresta Park in the Master Plan update

Project Webpage
www.aprpd.org/2022-master-plan-update



Image C-5: Round #1 flyer

Image C-6: Round #2 flyer



Stakeholder & Focus Group Interviews



The first outreach to the community took the form of stakeholder and focus group interviews. Conducted virtually, the interviews gathered community input to inform the survey that was distributed to the entire District.

The stakeholder and focus group interviews were conducted virtually over two days in early February 2022.

- February 8: Peer Districts
- February 8: Sports Leagues
- February 10: Resident Groups
- February 10: Interested Residents

The same presentation slides were shown to all interviews.

Focus Group presentation

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Stakeholder Interview
Sports
February 8, 2022

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GATES + ASSOCIATES **Arden Park**

AGENDA

MEETING PURPOSE: To solicit community input to determine:
→ *Where are we now?*
→ *What do we want?*

- 1. INTRODUCTIONS**
- 2. ABOUT THE PROJECT**
 - a. District Parks
 - b. Purpose, Vision, & Guiding Principles
 - c. Schedule
- 3. OPEN DISCUSSION**
 - a. Existing Likes & Challenges
 - b. Park Ideas
 - c. Potential Programmings (Rec Center, Aquatic Center)
 - d. Open Discussion
- 4. NEXT STEPS**

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INTRODUCTIONS

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Project Planner

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Community Outreach Facilitator

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Focus Group presentation

ABOUT THE PROJECT



Arden Park **Cresta Park**



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ABOUT THE PROJECT

PROJECT PURPOSE	VISION	GUIDING PRINCIPLES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update 2004 District Master Plan Identify park improvement opportunities Locate proposed facilities and estimate costs 	<p>Provide the Arden Park Recreation and Park District a path forward with a community-derived, “right-sized,” & implementable plan that guides decision-making for inclusive future improvements and adaptable flex spaces for users of all ages, abilities, and interests.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inclusive For all ages, abilities, and interests “Right-sized” Adapt and Flex spaces




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ABOUT THE PROJECT

OUTREACH SCHEDULE

LISTENING TO THE COMMUNITY	PREFERRED PARK CONCEPTS	MASTER PLAN UPDATE
Stakeholder & Focus Group Interviews Community Meeting Online Survey Website & Social Media	Community Meeting Advisory Board Public Meetings	Draft Master Plan Final Master Plan Advisory Board Public Meeting



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ABOUT THE PROJECT

Round #1

*Where are we now?
What do we want?*

**Identify key issues
Input on unmet needs**

Stakeholder Interviews

Online Survey
Community Event

Have you seen the project webpage?
www.aprpd.org/2022-master-plan-update

Round #2

What are our priorities?

Evaluate alternatives

Community Event



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OPEN DISCUSSION

→ *Where are we now?*
→ *What do we want?*



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EXISTING LIKES & CHALLENGES ARDEN PARK



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EXISTING LIKES & CHALLENGES ARDEN PARK

What do you **LIKE** about Arden Park?

- ???

What **CHALLENGES** have you noticed?

- ???

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EXISTING LIKES & CHALLENGES CRESTA PARK



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EXISTING LIKES & CHALLENGES CRESTA PARK

What do you **LIKE** about Cresta Park?

- ???

What **CHALLENGES** have you noticed?

- ???

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IDEAS: PARK & RECREATION

- Recreation Center
- Themed Play Structure
- Splash Pad
- Community Garden
- Bocce Ball Court
- Agility Dog Park
- Public Art
- Pickleball

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IDEAS: PARK & RECREATION

What **PARK & RECREATION IDEAS** would you WANT in the District?

- ???

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IDEAS: RECREATION CENTER SPACES

- Fitness Space
- Kitchen
- Senior Lounge
- Dividable Multipurpose Rooms
- Dance/Exercise Class Space
- Rentable Meeting Space
- Flexible Patio Event Space

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IDEAS: RECREATION CENTER SPACES

What **RECREATION CENTER SPACES** would you WANT at Arden Park?

- ???

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IDEAS: AQUATICS CENTER ELEMENTS



Water Slides



Spray Park



Competition Pool







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IDEAS: AQUATICS CENTER ELEMENTS

What **AQUATICS CENTER ELEMENTS** would you WANT at Arden Park?

- ???

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OPEN DISCUSSION

Anything else you'd **LIKE US TO KNOW**?



- ???

Any **OTHER POSSIBILITIES** to consider for the District

- ???

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<p>COMMUNITY INPUT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online Survey • Community Event 	<p>MASTER PLAN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design Alternatives • Back to the Community for prioritization input. 	<p>NEXT STEPS</p> <p>YOUR HOMEWORK</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spread the word • Visit the project webpage 2022 Master Plan Update - Arden Park Recreation and Park District (aprpd.org) • Share more of your thoughts in the Online Survey coming soon • Participate at the Community Event 	 <p>Arden Park RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT Master Plan Update ▶▶▶</p> <p>THANK YOU!</p> <p>MORE IDEAS? Share them with us! Colin Miller cmiller@aprpd.org</p>
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Meeting Notes

February 8: Peer Districts

Senior Programs and Amenities

- Dances (i.e ballroom) are very popular
- Therapeutic Recreation
- Lots of classes and a variety of classes
- Increasing Trends: Exercise equipment in the parks, Pickleball, Walking loops

February 8: Sports Leagues

Swim

- Uses the entire pool area (inside fence, and storage building at rear)
- During season (April to July), uses pool five days a week
- Swim team has 225 kids. Meets can be over 1,000 people at pool. Five home meets per season.

- Interested in an indoor pool due to smoke days that have shuttered the swim team in the past
- A larger pool would allow more kids to participate (8-lane is ideal)
- Arden Hills pool is closing, which could impact the swim team since their swim team will be disbanded
- Consider swim team storage and lifeguard room in a potential rec center
- League swims 25 yards

Soccer

- Season runs August – November
- 1,100 kids in league (not all Arden Park residents)
- Largest field possible at Cresta (U12)
- Practices at Cresta Park
- Arden Park can fit U6, U8, and U10 in diamond

outfield

- No tournaments held within District
- Not interested in synthetic turf
- The Board has been discussing a Futsol court and they are interested
- Likes the current charm of the “openness” at parks, and would not want to over-program

Children in leagues limited by size of facilities

February 10: Resident Groups

Parks and Recreation Amenities to Consider

- Pickleball desired by elderly
- Basketball court at Cresta

Open Discussion

- Concerned with increased taxes
- Distribute methods for survey

February 10: Interested Residents

Parks and Recreation Amenities to Consider

- Multi-use community facility with kitchen
- Workout course
- Dividable rooms that are multipurpose
- 8-lane pool for swim team
- Additional seating and shade would be great

Open Discussion

- Right size, stay neighborhood size, bigger is not better
- Mix youth and elder together
- Foster community mixing
- Elderly programming
- Strong relationships with neighbors
- Policing behavior in the park
- Consider purchasing a corner home for a “pocket park” in district area not well-served that has a lot of younger family
- Don't make a regional park, careful development

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Survey Results



The community survey was conducted online and open for responses from February 21 to March 7, 2022. The survey was announced in multiple ways before and during the response period.

- Postcard: Postcards were mailed to every house in the District announcing the survey shortly after it opened.
- Social Media: Posts announcing the survey and promoting participation were created on the District’s Facebook and Instagram pages.
- Participation Pop-ups: Conducted in both Arden Park and Cresta Park, District staff spoke informally with park visitors using dot input boards to document likes and wants for the parks into the future.
- Flyers in the parks: Flyers were posted around the parks to announce the survey.
- Hardcopy Survey Forms: The online survey was also available as a hardcopy form in the District office for responses.
- Video: A short video announcing the project and promoting survey responses.

Overall, 377 responses were collected in the two weeks the survey was open. A majority of the responses were from District residents (344); this calculates to 7% of the District population. Counting only resident responses, the survey is statistically-valid with a 95% confidence level (probability the survey responses accurately reflect attitude of the District’s population) and 5% margin of error (range the District’s population’s response may deviate from the survey response, plus or minus).

All responses in the following pages break out resident and non-resident responses.

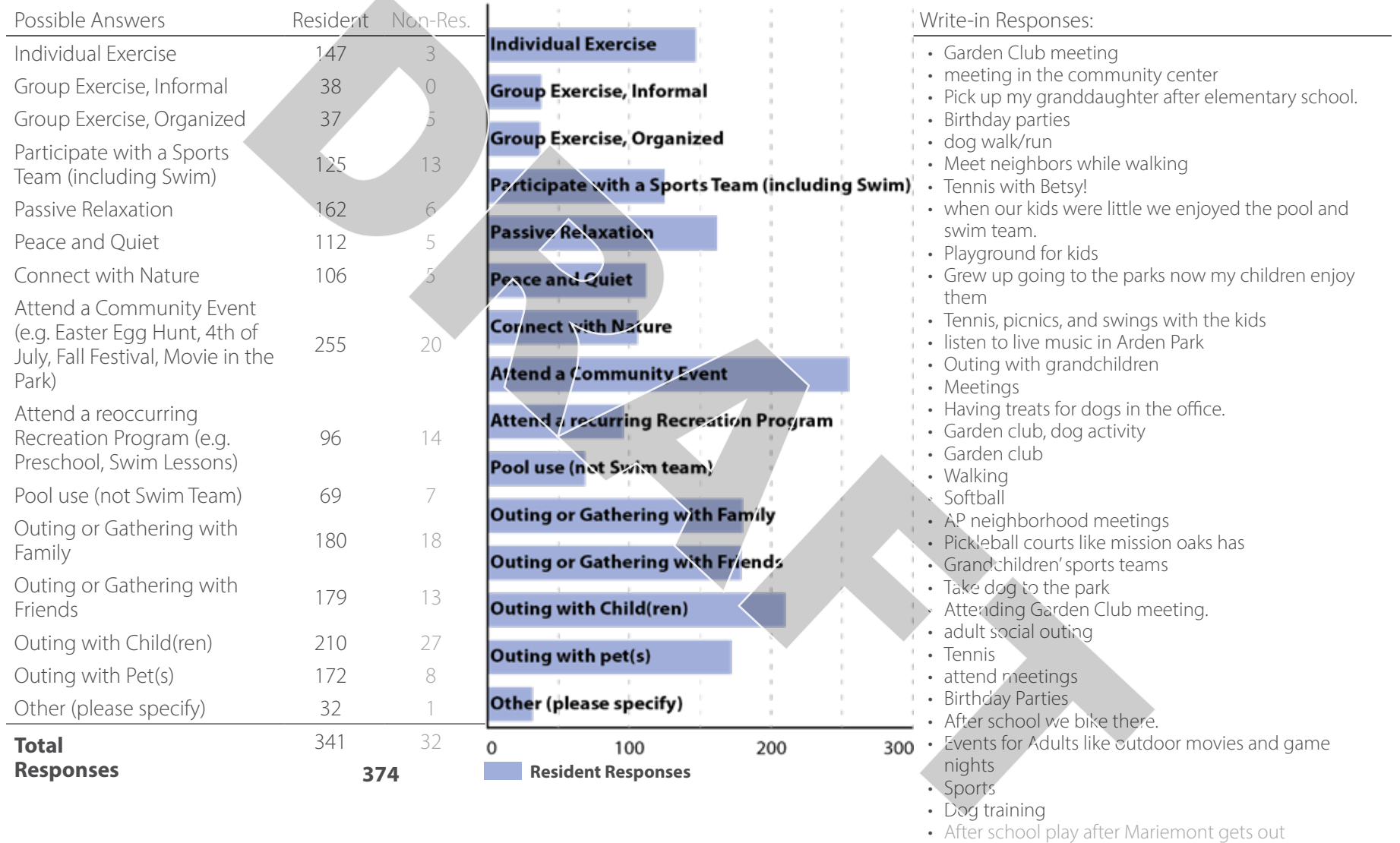
The survey included seventeen questions asking people why they visit the parks, who they visit with, their favorite elements in the parks, what they would like to see added in the future, expansion ideas for the pool complex and community center, and willingness to support a bond measure to finance improvements to the parks.

1. Why do you visit Arden Park or Cresta Park? Select all that apply. If we missed why you visit, please write it in ‘Other.’
2. How often do you visit Arden Park or Cresta Park? Select the most correct.
3. With whom do you normally visit Arden Park or Cresta Park? Select all that apply. If we missed who you visit a park with, please write it in ‘Other.’
4. What is your favorite part or element of Arden Park? Select all that apply. If we missed your favorite, please write it in ‘Other.’
5. What is your favorite part, element, or program offered at Arden Park’s Community Center? Select all that apply. If we missed your favorite please write it in ‘Other.’
6. What is your favorite part, element, or program offered at Arden Park’s Aquatics Facility? Select all that apply. If we missed your favorite, please write it in ‘Other.’
7. What is your favorite part or element of Cresta Park? Select all that apply. If we missed your favorite, please write it in ‘Other.’
8. With which recreation programs and events offered by the District do you participate? Select all that apply. If we missed what you participate in, please write it in ‘Other.’

9. What amenities would improve the District parks? Please rank the top FIVE (5) amenities you’d like to see at both or either parks. If we missed an amenity, please write it in ‘Other.’
10. What community center spaces would improve Arden Park’s Community Center? Please select the ONE (1) space you’d most like to see. If we missed an space, please write it in ‘Other.’
11. What amenities would improve Arden Park’s Aquatic Facility? Please select the ONE (1) amenity you’d most like to see. If we missed an amenity, please write it in ‘Other.’
12. Would you be in support of a Bond Measure to finance large District improvements, such as a Expanded/ Upgraded Community Center or Expanded Aquatics Facility? A Bond Measure requires approval by District voters for a loan that can fund park acquisition, development and improvements.
13. Do you live within the Arden Park Recreation and Park District boundaries (shown above)? The District spans from Arden Way to Fair Oaks Boulevard, and from Watt Avenue to Eastern Avenue.
14. Please select your age group:
15. Please identify your household composition.
16. Is there anything else you’d like to us to know for the Arden Park Recreation and Park District Master Plan Update?
17. Want to stay up-to-date on the Master Plan Update process? Provide your email address below to receive email updates. Additionally, you can visit the project webpage to keep track of our progress.

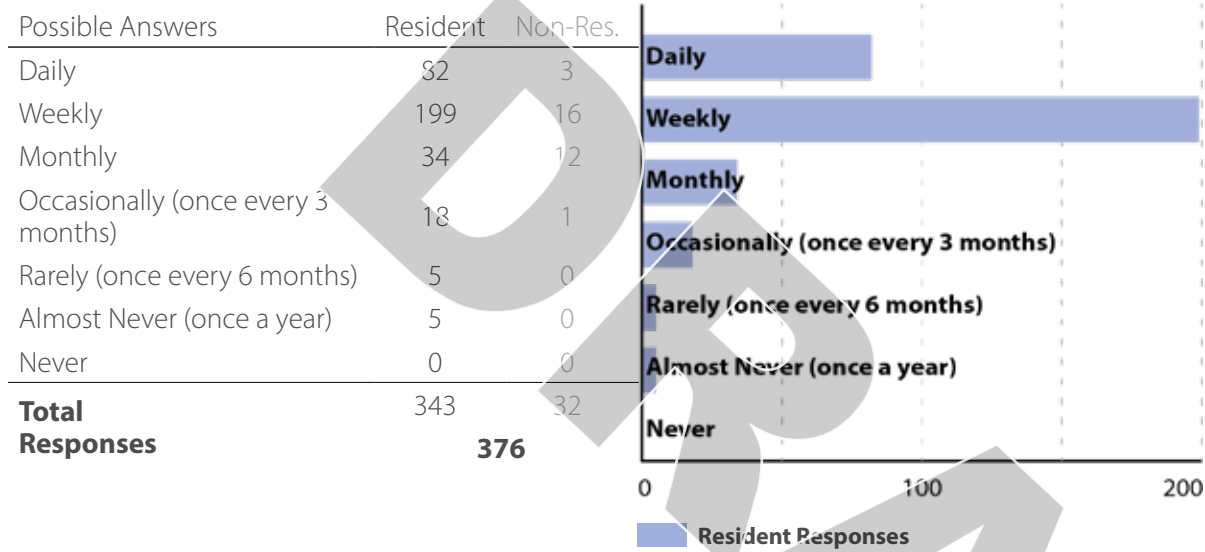
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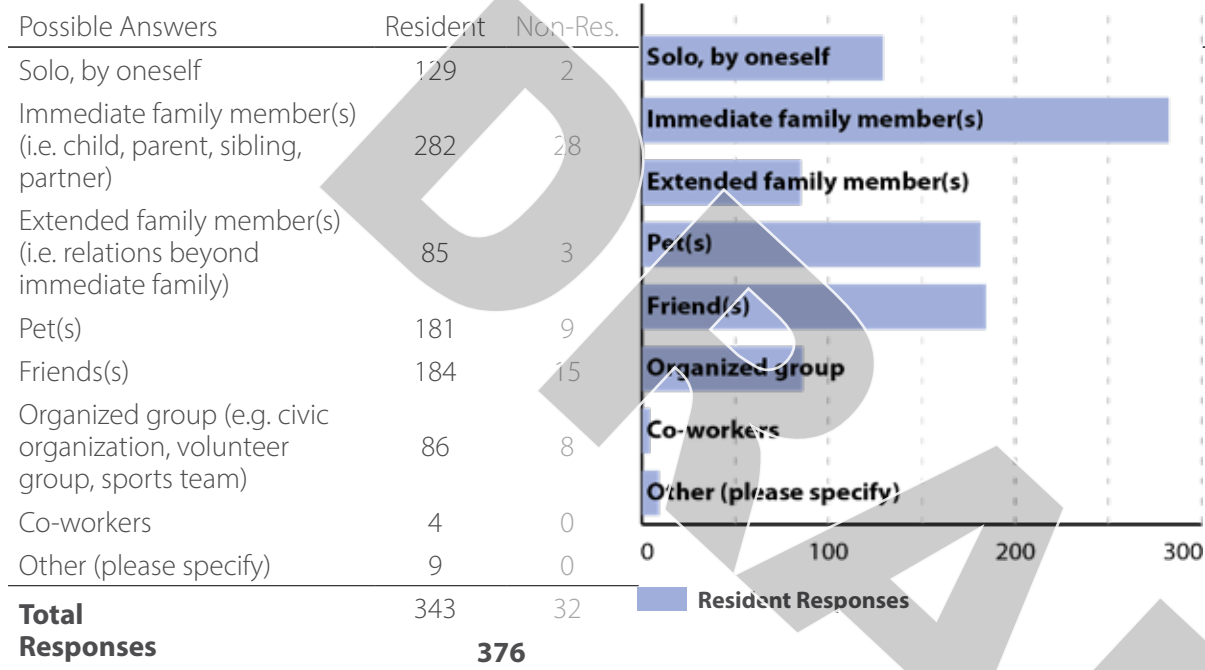
Question 2.

How often do you visit Arden Park or Cresta Park? Select the most correct.



Question 3.

With whom do you normally visit Arden Park or Cresta Park? Select all that apply. If we missed who you visit a park with, please write it in 'Other.'

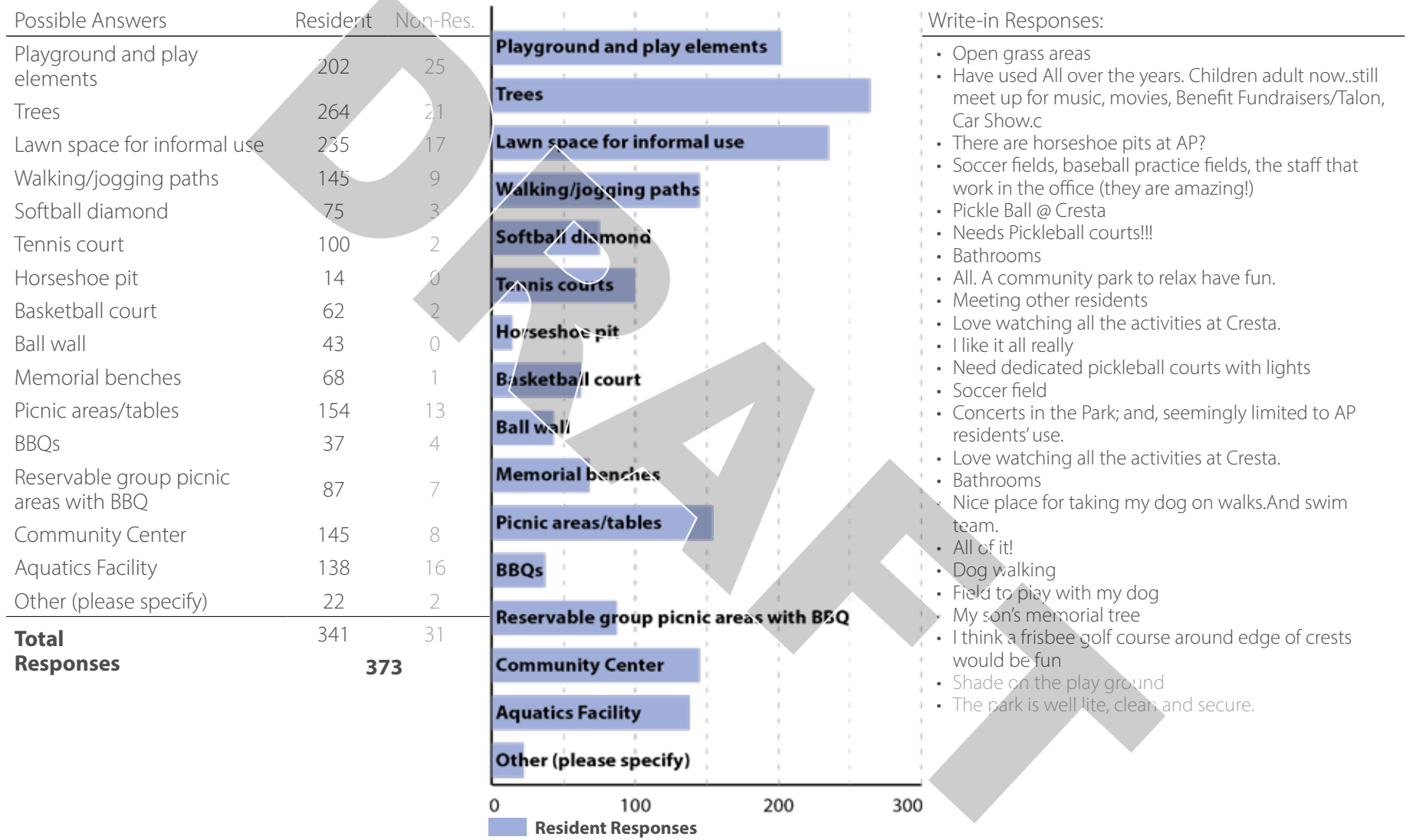


Write-in Responses:

- neighbor connections at special events
- Meet ups to make lunches for our unhoused
- There are several dog groups that meet at the park several times a day and on weekends
- Garden club
- Senior softball practice in the Spring
- Grandchildren
- Zumba Gold classes
- Dog training
- Friends

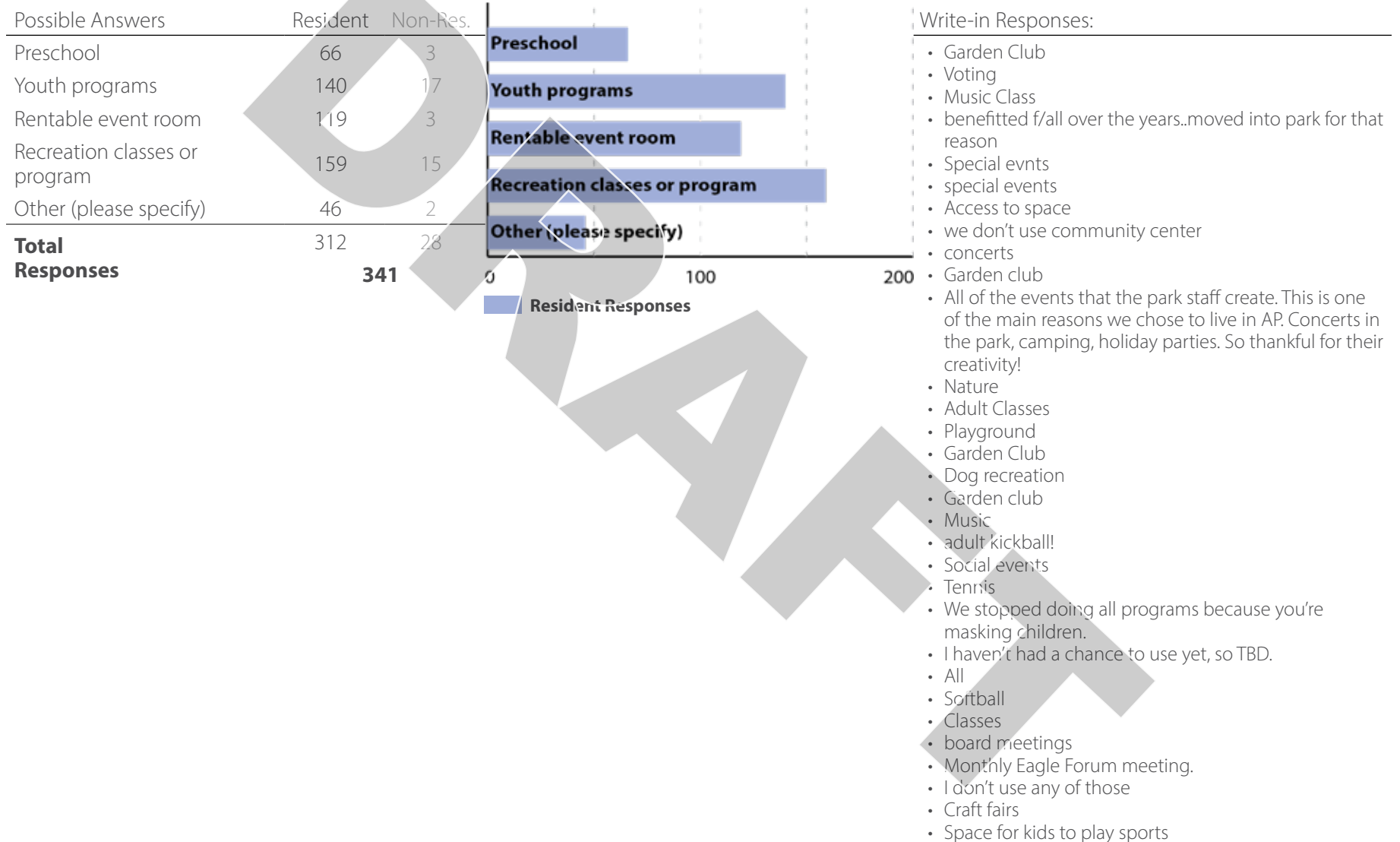
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Question 5.

What is your favorite part, element, or program offered at Arden Park’s Community Center? Select all that apply. If we missed your favorite, please write it in ‘Other.’



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Write-in Responses (con’t):

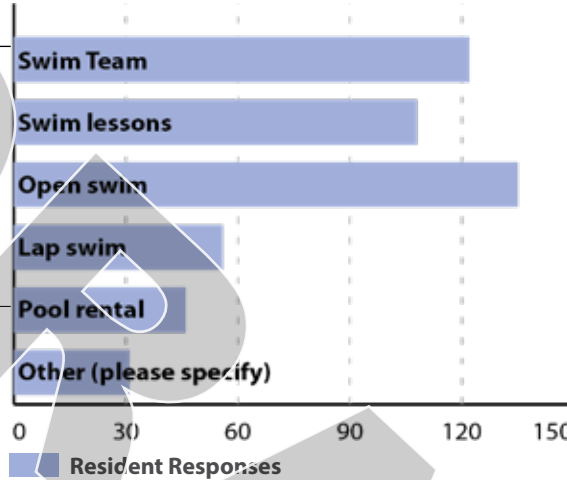
- Concerts, open grass area for pet use
- Adult social Murder mystery parties, etc
- 4th of July
- Access to a great open space. We also enjoy the community events.
- Have used ALL of the above over the years with our family
- Swim team
- Dog treats from staff
- Used to be preschool but the program has gone downhill since COVID, and the mask mandates on kids are overkill.
- Senior exercise classes
- Senior exercise classes which have been discontinued
- Reservable picnic areas
- Camps and swim team
- summer camps

Question 6.

What is your favorite part, element, or program offered at Arden Park’s Aquatics Facility? Select all that apply. If we missed your favorite, please write it in ‘Other.’

Possible Answers	Resident	Non-Res.
Swim Team	122	7
Swim lessons	108	17
Open swim	135	12
Lap swim	56	3
Pool rental	46	4
Other (please specify)	31	0
Total Responses	302	27

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Write-in Responses:

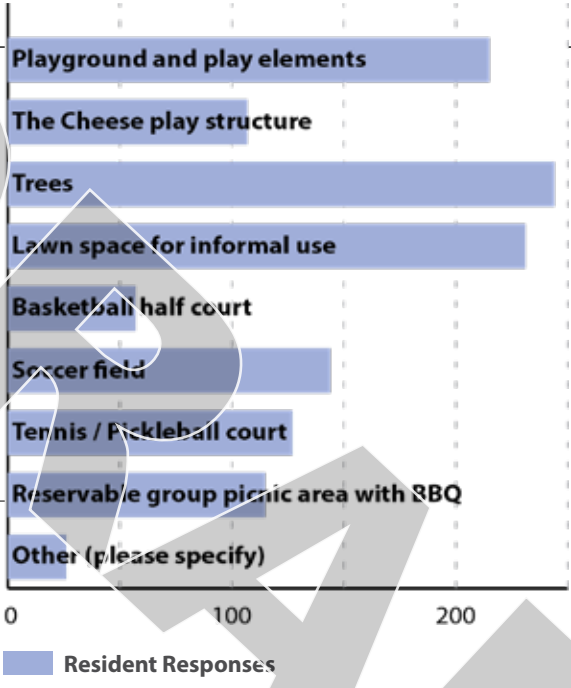
- Wish there was water aerobics everything pool related offered is for kids
- I do not use the pool--too old
- Watching swim meets
- I don't use the aquatics facility.
- we never use aquatic center
- Baby pool
- Never used
- Don't swim anymore, but think swim lessons & team important to the community
- don't use pool
- Enjoyed swim when my children were younger and were on swim team.
- do not use
- My kids were on swim team for years and when little went to play daily rain or shine
- I haven't had the chance to use yet - moved to the neighborhood less than a year ago, so TBD.
- All. A community resource.
- I'm lucky to have my own pool so I don't use this but I love the fact that we have this and many of my friends in AP use this with their families.
- I've never participated with the pool, but should learn more.
- None of these
- Don't use
- Craft fairs
- Don't use
- Don't use
- Exercise classes
- My older kids are swimmers but I grew up at this pool every single day in the summer and it's the best.
- Don't use the pool

Question 7.

What is your favorite part or element of Cresta Park? Select all that apply. If we missed your favorite, please write it in 'Other'.

Possible Answers	Resident	Non-Res.
Playground and play elements	215	25
"The Cheese" play structure	107	6
Trees	244	14
Lawn space for informal use	231	13
Basketball half court	57	5
Soccer field	144	7
Tennis / Pickleball court	127	2
Reservable group picnic area with BBQ	115	11
Other (please specify)	26	3
Total Responses	329	31

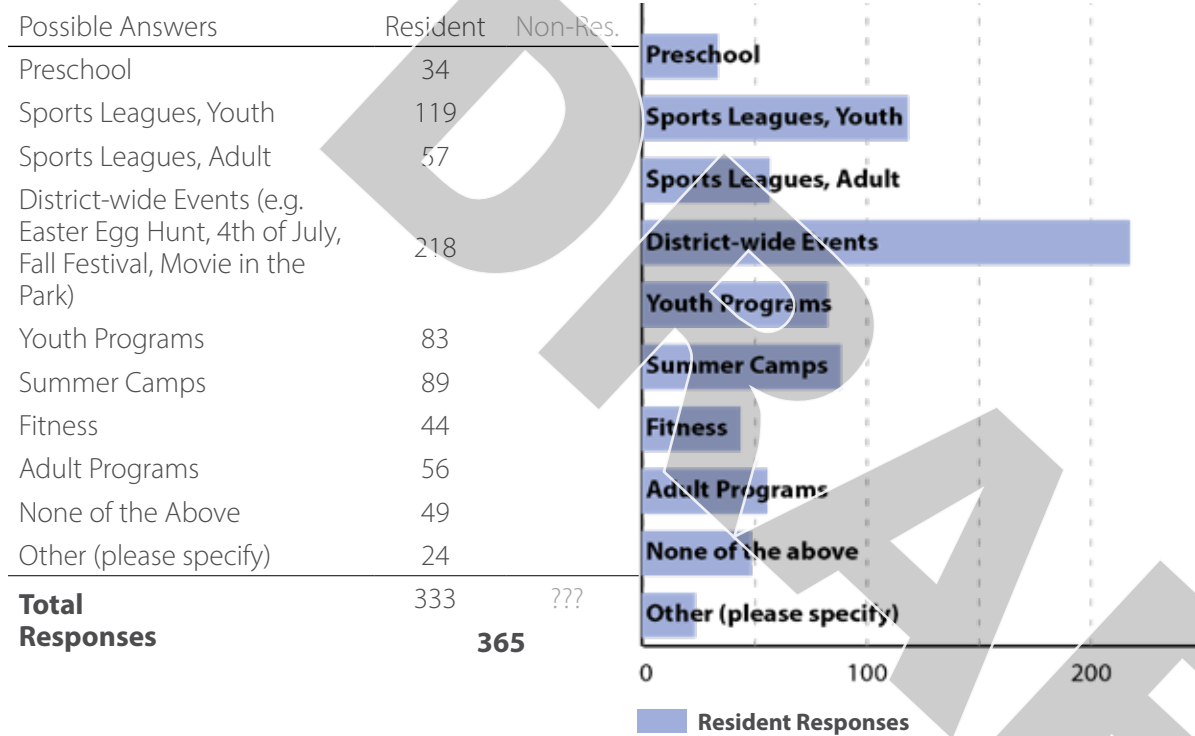
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- Write-in Responses:
- Walking - could use more paths
 - I do not use this park
 - Restrooms
 - New, clean restrooms
 - The Cheese... fond childraising memories when We see it still
 - History 3 generations we have been around as long as the cheese!
 - Bathrooms!! They are so clean and well maintained!
 - Need new Cheese
 - Pollinator garden
 - Please don't get rid of the cheese!!
 - All.
 - Softball
 - Shaded picnic area
 - Different activities on the field areas
 - Need dedicated pickleball courts
 - Restroom is very nice for a park!
 - Different activities on the field areas
 - Have not visited
 - Lots of open grassy areas so different groups can play different activities at the same time.
 - Dog Walk
 - Emphasis on The Cheese. Under no circumstances should that be removed!
 - Stage
 - Hanging out with friends.
 - All of it!
 - Dog walking
 - Picnic tables
 - Cleanliness
 - Clean, well lite and safe.

Question 8.

With which recreation programs and events offered by the District do you participate? Select all that apply. If we missed what you participate in, please write it in 'Other.'



Write-in Responses:

- Wish you had more senior activities
- Loved the preschool, camps and youth sports when my kids were younger!
- Special events like car show, easter egg hunt, wine tasting, paint nights
- With a 2 y.o. we will soon be using several features
- Just moved here but LOVE the idea of fitness classes, pre school, community events
- I don't currently do these but would be interested in fitness classes
- Garden Club
- Garden club, dog activities
- Toddler swim lessons
- Concerts
- Tennis lessons
- We would do more if you'd unmask the kids
- My daughter is 9 months old, and I plan on using more fitness, preschool and other infant programs - e.g. music classes - in the upcoming year.
- E do
- Only because I do not have children
- Would like to know more about Adult programs & Adult sports leagues.
- As an older, long-time resident, I love seeing all the diverse activities for both adults and children at Cresta.
- Craft fairs
- As an older, long-time resident, I love seeing all the diverse activities for both adults and children at Cresta.
- Tennis
- We've lived here 45 years. Our kids played here and our grandson currently enjoys both parks for various activities. Our daughter got married in Arden Park and the reception was in the community rooms, everyone uses the pool, and we regularly walk our dog to and around both the parks.
- Arden Soccer opening day
- Car show
- Tennis

Question 9.

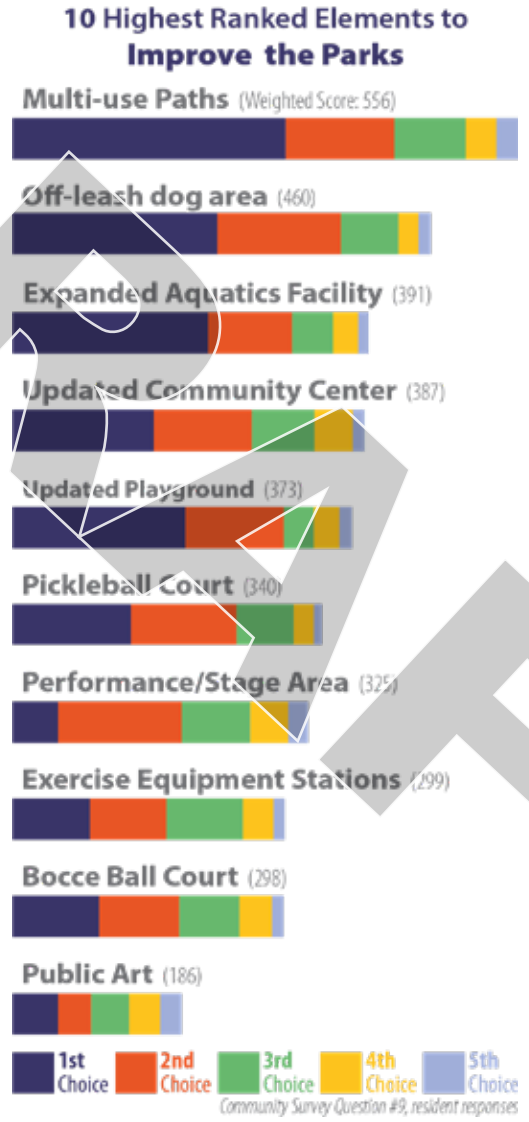
What amenities would improve the District parks? Please rank the top FIVE (5) amenities you'd like to see at both or either parks. If we missed an amenity, please write it in 'Other'

Possible Answers	Resident*	Non-Res.*
Updated Playground	556	71
Multi-use Paths (walking, jogging, biking)	460	52
Bike Rack	391	7
Off-leash Dog Area	387	48
Expanded Aquatics Facility	373	43
Updated/Expanded Community Center	340	23
Rectangular Field (i.e. soccer)	325	8
Pickleball Court	299	17
Exercise Equipment Stations	298	20
Learn-to-Bike Loop/Area	186	32
Bocce Ball Court	178	19
Additional Picnic Table/Area	161	13
Additional Reservable Group Picnic Area	108	13
Additional Rental Facilities for Group Events	97	1
Outdoor Classroom	95	14
Performance/Stage Area	81	23
Public Art	57	13
Other (please specify)	--	--

Total Responses 335 31 **367**

* weighted response by 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th choice

Resident Responses



Write-in Responses:

- additional lighting for safety - especially at Cresta Park
- too old to participate
- More parking space
- coffee shop
- repave basketball courts
- full kitchen
- More landscaping
- Roller hockey/multi-sport court
- community garden
- Dirt bike track (like the one in Truckee)
- Need a running track; Need totally enclosed area of playground with fence and gate to keep kids from running towards street; pool needs better shade
- Futsal would be wonderful!! We would love to see a larger community center for bigger events (especially if we can continue to have Mariemont events here!!)
- Really need dog play area; too many dogs off leash = liability for park district
- I don't think we need to any of this items.
- splash pad
- Community garden and/or more native plant garden
- Turf soccer field
- Pollinator Garden/Native plant garden for enjoyment and education
- A community garden that includes a class for kids/adults to learn how to grow food. Talk about the importance of organic and regenerative farming
- More trees
- Page only let me select one, not five??
- Water slide
- Dedicated pickleball courts, not tennis courts with striping. The nets are the wrong height and the kitchen area needs to be painted clearly
- Like Cresta as is with open field areas.
- Indoor lap pool
- More craft fairs with entertainment

Question 9.

What amenities would improve the District parks? Please rank the top FIVE (5) amenities you'd like to see at both or either parks. If we missed an amenity, please write it in 'Other.'

Possible Answers	Resident 1st	Resident 2nd	Resident 3rd	Resident 4th	Resident 5th	Non-Res. 1st	Non-Res. 2nd	Non-Res. 3rd	Non-Res. 4th	Non-Res. 5th
Updated Playground	38	27	11	14	14	38	27	11	14	14
Multi-use Paths (walking, jogging, biking)	60	30	26	17	24	60	30	26	17	24
Bike Rack	4	6	8	10	9	4	6	8	10	9
Off-leash Dog Area	45	34	21	11	14	45	34	21	11	14
Expanded Aquatics Facility	43	23	15	14	11	43	23	15	14	11
Updated/Expanded Community Center	31	27	23	21	13	31	27	23	21	13
Rectangular Field (i.e. soccer)	8	16	8	8	17	8	16	8	8	17
Pickleball Court	26	29	21	11	9	26	29	21	11	9
Exercise Equipment Stations	17	21	28	17	12	17	21	28	17	12
Learn-to-Bike Loop/Area	7	21	12	8	7	7	21	12	8	7
Bocce Ball Court	19	22	22	18	13	19	22	22	18	13
Additional Picnic Table/Area	7	2	13	10	6	7	2	13	10	6
Additional Reservable Group Picnic Area	1	3	7	6	7	1	3	7	6	7
Additional Rental Facilities for Group Events	3	3	11	8	5	3	3	11	8	5
Outdoor Classroom	3	6	8	12	8	3	6	8	12	8
Performance/Stage Area	10	34	25	21	22	10	34	25	21	22
Public Art	10	9	14	17	24	10	9	14	17	24
Other (please specify)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

Question 9.

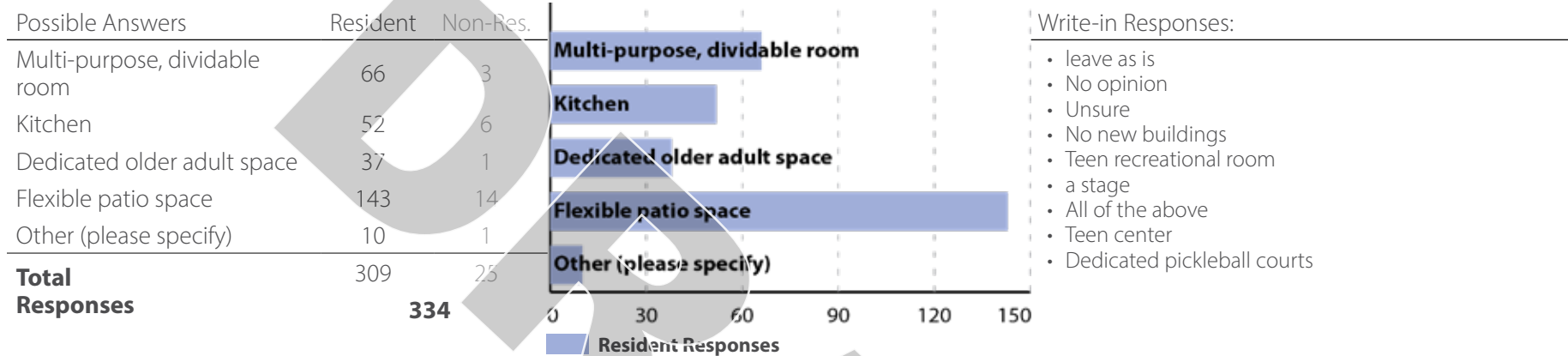
What amenities would improve the District parks? Please rank the top FIVE (5) amenities you'd like to see at both or either parks. If we missed an amenity, please write it in 'Other.'

Write-in Responses (con't):

- Futsal court
- Like Cresta as is with open field areas.
- Shaded outdoor area at Arden Park for camps & classes
- More tennis programs/teams/clinics #1
- Area for kids to skateboard or scooter.
- Skate park or small pump track
- Would love to see off leash dog area in very underused spot at Arden park that is near street between driveway and walking entry near baseball backstop. Also at Cresta there is room in lawn area westmost portion of grassy area. But grass would be nice—DG is too dusty and dirty
- Splash pad
- Skate park

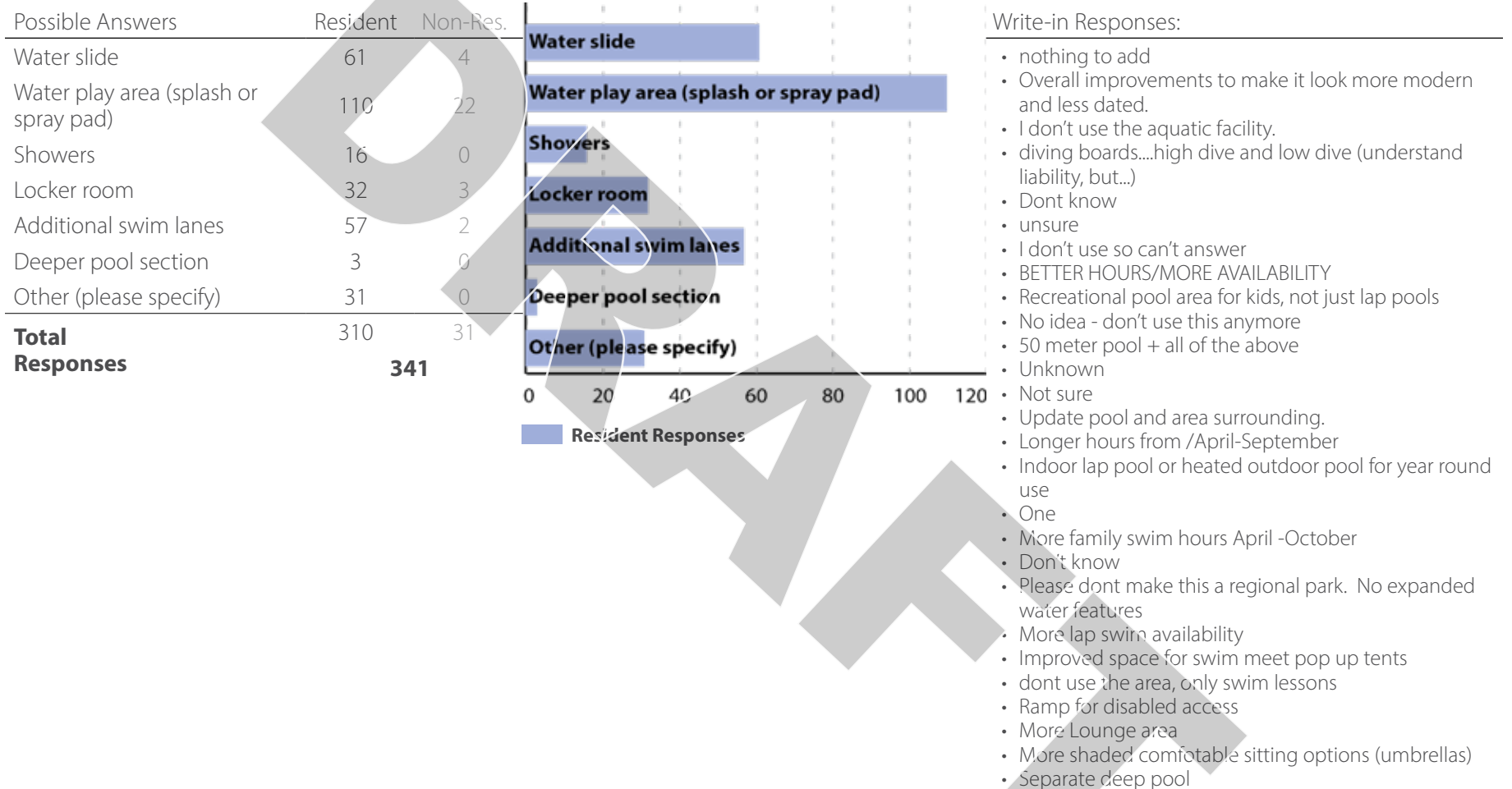
Question 10.

What community center spaces would improve Arden Park's Community Center? Please select the ONE (1) space you'd most like to see. If we missed an space, please write it in 'Other.'



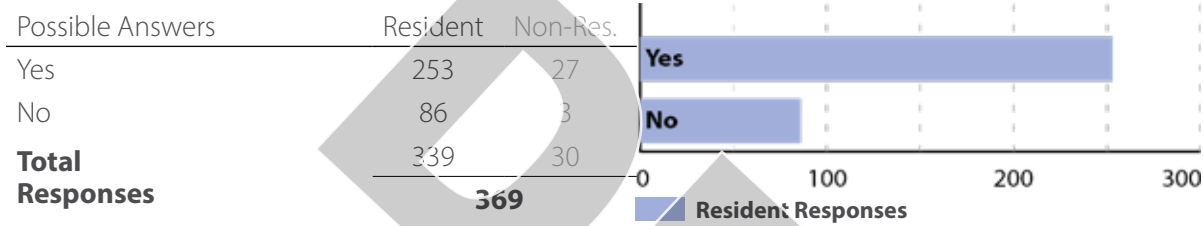
Question 11.

What amenities would improve Arden Park's Aquatic Facility? Please select the ONE (1) amenity you'd most like to see. If we missed an amenity, please write it in 'Other'



Question 12.

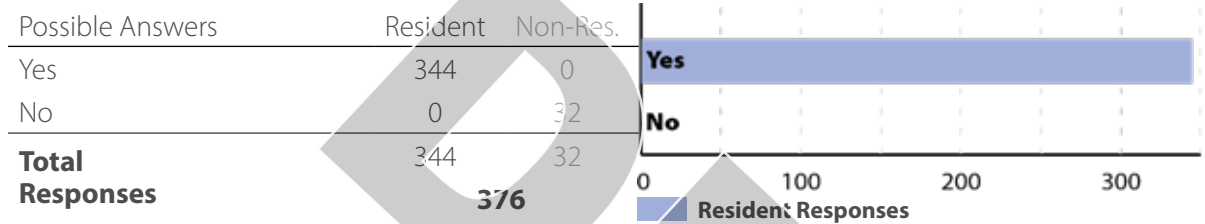
Would you be in support of a Bond Measure to finance large District improvements, such as a Expanded/Upgraded Community Center or Expanded Aquatics Facility? A Bond Measure requires approval by District voters for a loan that can fund park acquisition, development and improvements.



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Question 13.

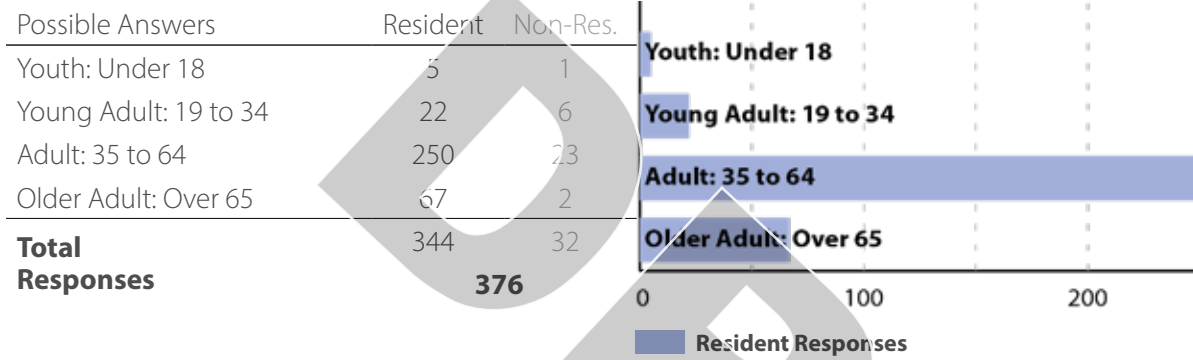
Do you live within the Arden Park Recreation and Park District boundaries (shown above)? The District spans from Arden Way to Fair Oaks Boulevard, and from Watt Avenue to Eastern Avenue.



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Question 14.

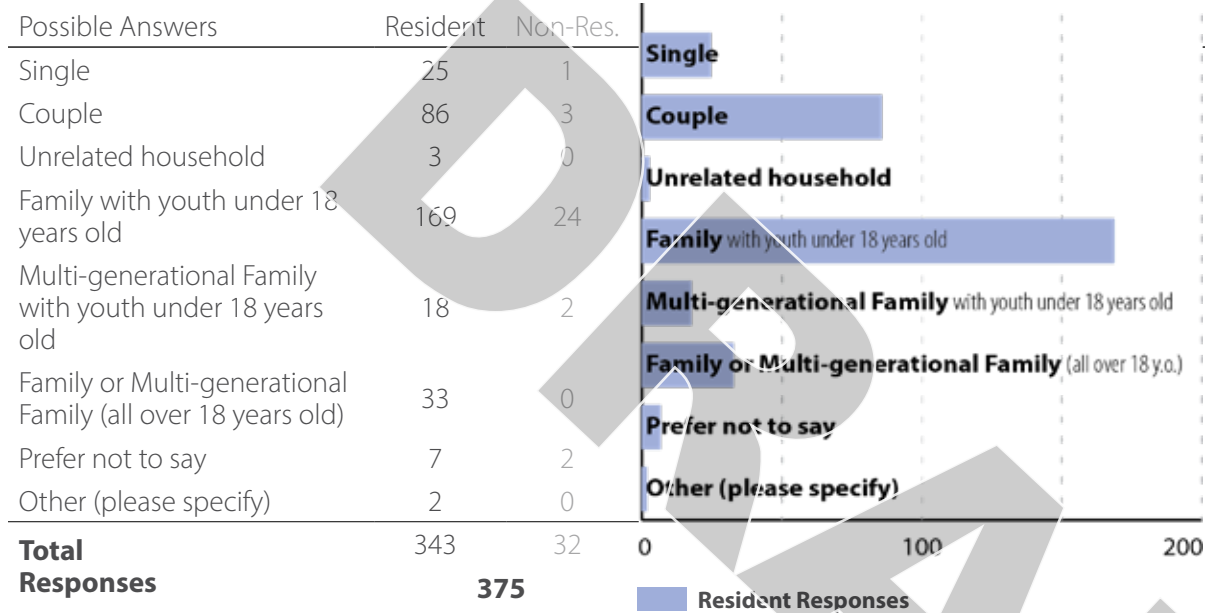
Please select your age group:



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Question 15.

Please identify your household composition:



Write-in Responses:

- Couple and their Pooch
- E

Question 16.

Is there anything else you'd like to us to know for the Arden Park Recreation and Park District Master Plan Update?

Write-in Responses:

- Neighborhood and parks need more lighting, especially Cresta Park.
- More flat walking space around the park. Also add water aerobic classes for older adults and ADA.
- More space, classes & activities for older adults. Water aerobic classes, walking path around perimeter of the park to enable those with mobility issues to be able to use.
- I use to attend the garden club, but then the pandemic and age has kept me home. I am closing in on 80,years old this summer.
- Keep providing pet pick up bags
- Would love to see expanded adult classes
- Would love to see expanded adult classes
- It would be good to have an off-leash dog park. Now, people let their dogs run free even when not well trained. This is dangerous to people and other animals.
- Great playgrounds, sports and community activities especially help strengthen community bonds
- More covered areas for shade, stretching stations w/ illustrated instructions, more color
- More senior adult classes and activities
- Thanks for asking, and the parks are looking great!
- Good luck, Jim Lites
- The pandemic has shown how nice it is to have outdoor neighborhood spaces to socialize.
- A pickle ball court would be a good addition!
- Lots of folks working in Arden Park (e.g., delivery people, pest control) also park in their car and take a break at the parks for lunch or a walk. Having tables, benches and restroom is helpful.
- Also, a water bottle filling station at Arden and Cresta parks, like at the airports, would be useful for all.
- Please keep Colin, Miranda and the staff. They make Arden Park what it is. A family.
- A dog area is a real necessity.
- Would support other financing means instead of bonds. Corporate/family/individual donations, particularly if tax advantaged.
- More varied greenery, plants, and walkpaths / sidewalks would be great. Perhaps a small pond?
- Love your work over the past few years!
- There is some controversy around using the word master as it is considered racist to many . May consider changing the name.
- adequate security should be a priority; noise mitigation is important; these are community parks - not regional; do not "over utilize"
- Great parks and resources — thank you!
- Our parks are what make this Arden Park neighborhood a community. I appreciate the ongoing efforts to keep our parks safe, relevant, and useful for neighbors of all ages.
- Nothing
- Indoor and outdoor pool facility. Year round pool use for lessons or swim team. Indoor Pools could be used on smoke/rain days.
- I have noticed that groups who reserve the party/picnic spaces who aren't residents tend to not treat the area with respect (ie litter, misuse of equipment, skate on tennis courts etc). It would be unfortunate if our beautiful parks become a magnet for those that don't treat them with respect.
- We live using the pool but wish it was available more! The hours are so limited. Please offer more lap times and free swim!
- We do not approve of advertising banners along the tennis courts at cresta park. They are a huge eye sore! Please do not allow advertising in our beautiful parks.
- We used the park almost everyday when our kids were young and now not so much. Our grandchildren will be using as they live and grow here. I like the size of things being not so big. I'd have to see more info on what a bond measure would cover.
- Arden Park District is the BEST! Thanks for all you do!

Write-in Responses (con't):

- Need a running track. Like the kind they have at high schools. It will attract more people but they won't stay long, just long enough to run. Makes for a safer environment for runners who want to be outdoors but don't want to run alongside traffic. Also I don't think schools allow outsiders to use their tracks. I don't know if they even have one at Mariemont but I wouldn't feel comfortable using an elementary school track as an adult who doesn't have any kids who attend that school. Need totally enclosed area of playground with fence and gate to keep kids from running towards street; as a mom to three kids under 5 I would love to know that if I get distracted by one child, another won't be running towards a parking lot or street. I would go to that park more often if I had an enclosed park. Like at Oke Park or East portal park. Even if it was just one side of the playground, ie have one side like it is now, and have the other side maybe toddler side be totally fenced in with a gate. pool needs better shade. It is a deterrent to my family how sunny it is in the summer at the pool. We hang out mostly at the baby shallow pool for this reason; it has some shade but very limited. I like to hang out with my kids but I don't want any of us to burn and it's hard to reapply sunscreen. I would go more often if there was better shade in the summer. Figure out a better parking solution at Arden park on la Sierra. It can get so congested during soft ball games and swim lessons.
- I think a separate pool area for kids that is recreational would be greatly used by all the families
- I think the parks / community opportunities and events are a huge part of what makes Arden park a special neighborhood. Thanks you!
- Thanks for the excellent improvements on the playgrounds and the picnic facilities/landscaping at Cresta. Keep up the good work. Would love to see 2 Pickle Ball courts - not just lines on the tennis courts which are a bit confusing.
- Consider a current or former aquatics director to consult on pool updates, someone who can speak to the economic impact of changes to the aquatic area.
- Resurface tennis courts
- more handicapped parking; seating? I can't stop by unless parking is available...too far for me if street parking only
- Please improve the softball diamond, particularly the dirt infield
- We love Explorers program and camps so much! Would love to see more live music events where groups can picnic and enjoy music, ideally 5-8 time range :)
- Thank You!
- Pickle all courts would be awesome!!!
- If you're going to impose additional taxes on only Arden Park residents, I would suggest you market all activities only to this neighborhood. I think you would have better engagement if residents felt they were not the only ones bearing the burden of improving facilities for use by other neighborhoods.
- Choosing just one for aquatics isn't enough. I'd choose more lanes, splash pad, water slide, and locker rooms/bigger bathrooms for swimmers to change clothes.
- I really love the parks and playgrounds as I bring my grandchildren there a lot.
- No pathways in the park. People are riding golf carts in the parks now which is unacceptable !
- Yes. Native plants for all new plantings.
- Security
- More senior friendly activity classes not in a chair; ie dance, yoga or other activities but geared to active seniors not 20 somethings.
- I feel it's a community park but don't want or to get over crowded or over used. Some people that don't live in the neighborhood don't take part in keeping it safe and clean.. I don't want that attraction
- Thank you for doing this!
- Could you please include plans in the Master Plan for how the district can reduce its carbon impact? I would be thrilled if the Arden Park District replaced its gas-powered lawn equipment with electric equipment. I would also love to see more awareness and action around promoting drought-tolerant landscapes. And if the community center could be powered by solar and heat pump, that would be awesome. Through measures like these, I think the District could not only help reduce local air and noise pollution, but it could also serve as a model and inspiration for Arden Park residents.
- Thank you for what you do!
- Senior center would be nice
- Not yet, I'll provide input as the process continues.
- Would love to have more community events.
- Formal pickle ball court is a must

Write-in Responses (con't):

- It would help safety at Cresta by adding sidewalks along the park, like there are at Arden Park. Drivers drive way too fast in that area and with all the cars parked along the park, it forces walkers like my family out into the street.
- What you have is very nice. As a retired Landscape Architect, with projects throughout the Pacific Rim, I suggest that you don't over do things...
- I really love the new programs you've got-- especially the youth theater. Lion King Jr was so cute!
- Cresta and Arden Park are great and major reason we have lived in Arden Park for 28 years
- I would really appreciate some sort of walking path system or circuit/track as our neighborhood does not have sidewalks. Thanks for your work on the Master Plan Update!
- Unmask the children.
- Better security
- For community events, I would like to consider noise level restrictions - in particular, I'd like a mechanism to enforce a limit on music noise levels for events, if it's not already implemented. I love live music, but there is no cap on noise levels or anyone monitoring, and the decibels have been excessive. My daughter burst into tears as the bands ramped up music at the 4th of July and fall events, and I struggled to hear the orders from the food trucks or hold down a conversation, which felt like an alienation from like the heart and soul of these events - to connect community. Having an infant, I look for events like this because we're new to the neighborhood and don't know many people yet. Without a vaccine available for my daughter, outdoor events like this are one of the few things we were able to attend and maintain distance, so it was a bummer when the music really threw a monkey wrench. We had to leave immediately, and we could hear the music about half a mile walking home down La Sierra from events at Arden Park. Please, keep the music! Live music is a real treat and a wonderful addition to events. Just set reasonable limits or require decibel checks prior to the performance so that the music doesn't cause undue damage to the ears of the visitors (including stimulation-sensitive kids and adults) and participants (including staff working the events having to be exposed to these levels of noise for hours) and so it's welcoming to the whole of the community. Or, in the alternative, it would be helpful to require event hosts to post signs so those with issues/questions can connect with event organizers to triage issues like extremely loud music.
- Increase pool hours for public use. Not everyone has a pool
- Please, more trees at both Arden Park and Cresta park.
- Not at this time
- We have resided in AP for 15 years. While not run by Parks and Rec, we are actively involved in the swim team, which is completely run by families of AP and neighboring communities. A pool expansion would offer the ability of the team to serve more families and expand access to a much loved tradition now running for 60 years.
- The district parks are a treasure..we are very fortunate!
- We love our parks already, but can't wait to see what you have in store!
- Stop paving over living areas!
- See comment above about pickleball. It's one of the fastest growing sports in the US. Having 1 tennis court at Cresta Park striped for 1 pickleball court is insufficient. The community needs multiple dedicated courts. Their footprint is small compared to a tennis court. Cresta Park's tennis court could easily be transformed into 4 dedicated pickleball courts. This would make the park appealing to ALL age groups.
- For play ground, instead of wood chips would like to upgrade it to rubber.
- Great place to live
- Bocce court would be great!! More trees along the sides of the park. More youth summer events
- Please add changing tables in the park bathrooms! It is very strange that a family park has nowhere to change a baby.
- Keep private security active. Cameras at key intersections.
- I love living in Arden Park and having access to both Arden and Crest Park. Please keep us safe and continue to provide these wonderful services. These parks are wonderful.
- Keep it green!

Write-in Responses (con't):

- What about putting lights on the softball diamond & bigger, more comfortable bleachers?
- More classes for older adults.
- I do not like the off leash dogs at the park. If you are going to do that you need to make an actual enclosed dog park.
- No one considers fixed income, older adults when putting forth bond issues. Sad.
- I think a year round lap pool could be a huge income source for the park, as there really are very limited adult lap pools in our area
- Keep up the good work. Thanks for asking!
- Please do not expand or add parking lots. The Parks support recreation and people can walk or ride their bikes to them.
- We really enjoy the open spaces of grass to play. Would love to be informed on the process of if/how often the play structures are cleaned!
- The plan should not result in becoming a magnet to non-residents. The parks are a jewel in large part because of the community/residents that “care” for it and “pay” for it.
- I grew up in Arden Park, moved back and raised my family and now I would like my grandchildren to experience how great Arden Park is for play and fun.
- How the improvements would be funded. I am up for improvements and willing to pay. It should not be voluntary like the homeowner fees, everyone who lives in the park should contribute.
- The pool needs to be the top priority.
- Please focus on improvements that do not impact the Park with additional traffic, parking. I
- More trees
- Bring back dive team
- Teen hangout places needed.
- I would like more music in the park. Can we add a stage for concerts?
- Too much changing and expansion could make the park too busy with people and traffic. We need a quiet, safe neighborhood. Small up-grades would be fine, but make them small. Too many people would create its own set of problems.
- The trees in the park are one of the district’s biggest assets. I would like to request resources are invested to continue to ensure proper specialize arborist care and pruning for the trees to preserve their health for generations to come.
- Please keep the cheese.
- It felt like the pool was barely open last year -budgeting for more lifeguards/expanded hours would be greatly appreciated
- Yes , i think you should give a very nice locker room/shower for the swim team.
- I'd love to see more classes, such as art, theater, cooking, etc. offered.
- Please continue security to keep our parks safe and clean.
- Having two amazing parks is one of the reasons we moved to Arden Park. Thank you all for providing wonderful spots for children and families to gather and make memories.
- In support of more funding for the parks
- We need a way to keep fields free of dog poop. My kids won't play in the grass because we've had multiple incidents of playing “dodge the poop”
- Large expanse of open area, trees.
- I do bring my dog regularly to Arden Park for off-leash playing but I would not bring my dog to a fenced-in dog park. Unless the dog park took up the entire lawn I don't think it would be large enough for natural play of dogs. So while I value being able to let my dog run around in the field I would not support an actual dog park unless the size was very large.
- We would love a dog park or more activities/spaces for older kids in the neighborhood to hangout.
- More adult/family social events. Activities where older kids and parents could come together. And less focus on the little ones. Teen leagues Wine Tastings, bocce competitions, outdoor paint nights.
- I think a dedicated performance area would really add to the facilities

Write-in Responses (con't):

- Additional security patrols/presence to keep the parks family-friendly. Not sure that it's appropriate for groups to be bringing and smoking hookah pipes in the picnic areas at Arden Park.
- Love Arden park! Wish there were more for young adult like workout classes, gatherings, meetups
- AP's playground is geared towards younger and it's far from the grass fields so it's not easy to have kids play on while parents are at an event on field. Especially because they have to cross the parking lot.
- Cresta needs security during the weekday afternoons from the time Arden middle school gets out until 4 maybe after Mariemont gets out too. The middle schoolers are often coming to harass and bother the Mariemont kids that go there for pick up after school, there's been many incidents of older kids bullying or stealing from the the younger ones. Security would help deter these middle schoolers
- Better shade structure for Arden Park.
- We don't live within the district, but own rental property in the district and used to live in the district. We still enjoy using the parks.
- Pls dog park and biking walking lane

Question 17.

Want to stay up-to-date on the Master Plan Update process? Provide your email address below to receive email updates. Additionally, you can visit the project webpage to keep track of our progress.



Dot Input Boards

Listening to the Community

Dot Input Boards were used for the first round of engagement to gather community input about current likes and desired improvements. Dot Boards were available in Arden Park during the same time frame as the community survey. Over 370 dots were placed on the boards.

What is your favorite part of the parks?

Park Element	Adult	Child
Playground / Play Element	14	1
Trees	19	1
Lawn Space for Informal Use	15	0
Walking/Jogging Paths	10	0
Softball Diamond Field	14	0
Basketball Court	8	1
Tennis Court	14	1
Horseshoe Pit	1	0
Ball Wall	10	1
Memorial Benches	9	1
Picnic Area / Tables	11	0
BBQ	7	0
Reservable Group Picnic Area with BBQ	14	0
Community Center and Aquatics Center	13	1
Soccer Field	7	0
Other	0	0

Table C-1: 'What is your favorite part of the parks?' Dot Board Counts

What amenities would improve the Parks?

Park Element	Adult	Child
Multi-use Paths	10	0
Exercise Equipment Stations	3	0
Bike Rack	4	0
Learn-to-Bike Loop / Area	4	0
Off-Leash Dog Area	29	3
Bocce Ball Court	13	0
Rectangular Field	3	0
Outdoor Classroom	2	0
Pickleball Court	11	0
Performance / Stage Area	10	1
Expanded Aquatics Facility	10	0
Updated / Expanded Community Center	8	0
Updated Playground	15	3
Additional Picnic Table / Area	3	0
Additional Reservable Group Picnic Area	9	0
Additional Rental Facilities for Groups	1	0
Public Art	6	0
Other	0	0

Table C-2: 'What amenities would improve the Parks?' Dot Board Counts




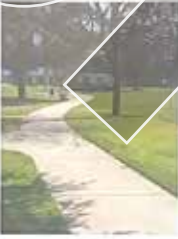




What spaces or amenities would improve the Community and Aquatics Facility?

Park Element	Adult	Child
Multi-purpose Dividable Room	1	0
Kitchen	6	0
Dedicated Older Adult Space	5	0
Flexible Patio Space	8	0
Locker Room / Showers	1	0
Water Slide	9	5
Water Play Area	12	1
Additional Swim Lanes	1	0
Deeper Pool Section	2	0
Other	0	0

Table C-3: 'What spaces or amenities would improve the Community and Aquatics Facility?' Dot Board Counts

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What is your **favorite** part of the Parks?





	
	
	
	

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What is your **favorite** part of the Parks?

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What amenities would improve the Parks?

 <p>Multi-use Paths (walking, jogging, biking)</p>	 <p>Exercise Equipment Stations</p>
 <p>Bike Rack</p>	 <p>Learn-to-Bike Loop/Area</p>
 <p>Off-leash Dog Area</p>	 <p>Bocce Ball Court</p>
 <p>Rectangular Field (i.e. Soccer)</p>	 <p>Outdoor Classroom</p>
 <p>Pickleball Court</p>	 <p>Performance/Stage Area</p>

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What amenities would improve the Parks?





 <p>Expanded Aquatics Facility</p>	 <p>Updated/Expanded Community Center</p>
 <p>Updated Playground</p>	 <p>Additional Picnic Table/Area</p>
 <p>Additional Reservable Group Picnic Area</p>	 <p>Additional Rental Facilities for Groups</p>
 <p>Public Art</p>	<p>Other (please specify)</p>

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What spaces or amenities would **improve** the Community Center and Aquatics Facility?

 <p>Multi-purpose, dividable room</p>	 <p>Water slide</p>
 <p>Kitchen</p>	 <p>Water play area (splash or sprayer pad)</p>
 <p>Dedicated older adult space</p>	 <p>Additional swim lanes</p>
 <p>Flexible patio space</p>	 <p>Deeper pool section</p>
 <p>Locker room / Showers</p>	<p>Other (please specify)</p>

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Preferred Park Concepts

Dot Input Boards were used for the Round #2 to determine the preferred design concepts. These boards were available for public input as a pop-up at the District's Easter egg hunt event on April 16. Each participant was provided six green dots, to indicate support of a proposed park element, and six red dots, to indicate if not in support. Residents received larger dots than non-residents. Over 780 dots were placed on the boards - 630 of them from residents.



Arden Park Proposed Park Improvements

Park Element	Resident		Non-Res.	
	Green	Red	Green	Red
New Picnic Plaza	7	17	3	1
New Fitness Equipment Stations	22	3	0	0
New Pickleball Courts	19	18	6	1
Update Existing Playgrounds	24	16	2	4
Resurface Existing Tennis Courts	20	18	3	3
Repave Existing Basketball Court	34	5	5	4
New Community Center	30	8	9	2
New Pool	37	8	8	4
New Zero Entry Water Play Feature	11	33	2	5
Extended Looped Path	41	1	6	1

Table C-4: Arden Park Proposed Park Improvements Dot Board Counts

Cresta Park Proposed Park Improvements

Park Element	Resident		Non-Res.	
	Green	Red	Green	Red
New Picnic Area	18	5	4	0
Relocate "The Cheese"	4	38	6	4
Improve Existing Soccer Field	24	5	6	2
New Fenced Dog Park	37	12	10	9
Upgrade Existing Playground	20	8	17	3
New Concrete Plaza at Pedestrian Crossing	4	20	0	2
Extended Looped Path	27	2	10	1
New Bocce Court	31	7	5	1

Table C-5: Cresta Park Proposed Park Improvements Dot Board Counts

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GOALS

COMMUNITY

Foster neighborhood and community gathering by providing spaces that encourage social interaction and public amenities for District events and neighborhood meetups.

CONDITION

Provide safe, clean, and beautiful parks and right-sized facilities that support recreation and leisure activities to enrich quality of life for all residents.

GREEN

Operate sustainably with professional management, maintenance, and operations of parks and facilities using resilient and innovative practices that respect the environment.

USES

Continue to support diverse passive and active park and recreation uses, flexible and adaptable spaces and elements for all ages and abilities, and stewardship of shared community resources.

VISION

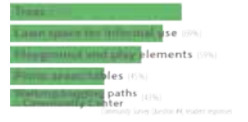
Provide the Arden Park Recreation and Park District a path forward with a community-derived, "right-sized," & implementable plan that guides decision-making for inclusive future improvements and adaptable flex spaces for users of all ages, abilities, and interests.

SO FAR WE'VE HEARD...

Top 5 Reasons Residents Visit the Parks



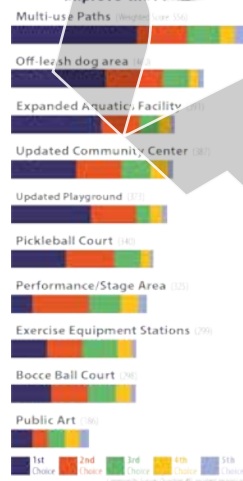
Top 6 Favorite Elements at Arden Park



Top 3 Favorite Elements at Cresta Park



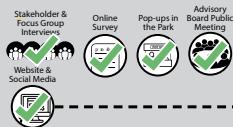
10 Highest Ranked Elements to Improve the Parks



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OUTREACH SCHEDULE

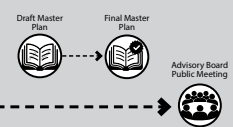
Listening to the Community



Preferred Park Concepts



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- 1 NEW PICNIC PLAZA
 - 2 NEW FITNESS EQUIPMENT STATIONS
 - 3 NEW PICKLEBALL COURTS
 - 4 UPDATE EXISTING PLAYGROUND
 - 5 RESURFACE EXISTING TENNIS COURTS
 - 6 REPAVE EXISTING BASKETBALL COURT (CONCRETE)
 - 7 NEW COMMUNITY CENTER
 - 8 NEW POOL (8-LANE)
 - 9 NEW ZERO ENTRY WATER PLAY FEATURE
 - 10 EXTENDED LOOPED PATH
- SOUND WALL
--- PROPERTY LINE



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1 NEW PICNIC PLAZA	6 REPAVE EXISTING BASKETBALL COURT (CONCRETE)
2 NEW FITNESS EQUIPMENT STATION	7 NEW COMMUNITY CENTER
3 NEW PICKLEBALL COURTS	8 NEW POOL (8-LANE)
4 UPDATE EXISTING PLAYGROUND	9 NEW ZERO ENTRY WATER PLAY FOUNTAIN
5 RESURFACE EXISTING TENNIS COURTS	10 EXTENDED LOOPED PATH

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Cresta Park

CRESTA WAY

1 NEW PICNIC AREA
2 RELOCATE "THE CHEESE"
3 IMPROVE EXISTING SOCCER FIELD (GRADING + DRAINAGE + IRRIGATION)
4 NEW FENCED DOG PARK
5 UPGRADE EXISTING PLAYGROUND
6 NEW CONCRETE PLAZA AT PEDESTRIAN CROSSING
7 EXTENDED LOOPED PATH
8 NEW BOCCO COURT
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Cresta Park

1 NEW PICNIC AREA

2 RELOCATE "THE CHUTE"

3 IMPROVE EXISTING SOCCER FIELD (GRADING + DRAINAGE + IRRIGATION)

4 NEW FENCED DOG PARK

5 UPGRADE EXISTING PLAYGROUND

6 NEW CONCRETE PLAZA AT PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

7 EXTENDED LOOPEd PATH

8 NEW BOCCe COURT

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Community Webinar



The Community Webinar asked the same questions of the neighborhood as the Round #2 pop-up. Sixteen people participated in the virtual webinar. During the meeting, polls were taken to gather the participants support for proposed park elements, the same as the dot input boards used for Round #2 engagement in person.

Arden Park

Proposed Park Improvements		
Park Element	Yes	No
New Picnic Plaza	9	4
New Fitness Equipment Stations	6	7
New Pickleball Courts	11	1
Update Existing Playgrounds	11	1
Resurface Existing Tennis Courts	11	1
Repave Existing Basketball Court	10	2
New Community Center	9	2
New Pool	9	2
New Zero Entry Water Play Feature	8	3
Extended Looped Path	11	1

Table C-6: Arden Park Proposed Park Improvements Poll Results

Cresta Park

Proposed Park Improvements		
Park Element	Yes	No
New Picnic Area	13	3
Relocate "The Cheese"	11	3
Improve Existing Soccer Field	14	1
New Fenced Dog Park	6	9
Upgrade Existing Playground	15	0
New Concrete Plaza at Pedestrian Crossing	12	3
Extended Looped Path	14	2
New Bocce Court	11	5

Table C-7: Cresta Park Proposed Park Improvements Poll Results

Community Webinar presentation

ARDEN PARK RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT MASTER PLAN UPDATE

Community Webinar
April 19, 2022





AGENDA

PURPOSE: To review park design concepts to determine the community's preferred design concept.

1. PRESENTATION
2. POLLING
3. PUBLIC COMMENT



Community Webinar presentation

INTRODUCTIONS



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

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ZOOM ETIQUETTE



Raise Hand


'Raise Hand'
Indicate you'd like to speak during *Public Comment*




Q&A

'Q&A'
Ask questions during the *presentation*
(Questions may not be answered live in this meeting)

Polls
To ask **YOU** questions
(Answers are anonymous.
Select your answer and submit.)




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PROJECT VISION & GOALS

VISION

Provide the Arden Park Recreation and Park District a path forward with a community-derived, "right-sized," & implementable plan that guides decision-making for inclusive future improvements and adaptable flex spaces for users of all ages, abilities, and interests.

COMMUNITY



Foster neighborhood and community partnering by providing spaces that encourage local interaction and public amenities for District events and neighborhood meetings.

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USES



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OUTREACH SCHEDULE

LISTENING TO THE COMMUNITY

Stakeholder & Focus Group Meetings

Online Survey

Pop-ups in the Park

Advisory Board Public Meeting

Website & Social Media

PREFERRED PARK CONCEPTS

Pop-ups in the Park

Community Meeting


Advisory Board Public Meeting

MASTER PLAN UPDATE

Draft Master Plan

Final Master Plan

Advisory Board Public Meeting


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Community Webinar presentation

WHAT WE'VE HEARD

STAKEHOLDERS

4 groups

Top 5 Reasons Residents Visit the Parks

- Attend a Community Event (75%)
- Dining with Child(ren) (67%)
- Outing or Gathering with Family (53%)
- Outing or Gathering with Friends (52%)
- Outing with Pet(s) (50%)

COMMUNITY SURVEY

344 resident responses

Statistically valid

- 95% confidence level
- 5% margin of error

7%

of the District's Population





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WHAT WE'VE HEARD

Community Survey: District Residents' responses

Top 6 Favorite Elements at Arden Park

- Trees (69%)
- Lawn space for informal use (69%)
- Playground and play elements (59%)
- Picnic areas/tables (45%)
- Walking/jogging paths (43%)
- Community Center (43%)

Top 3 Favorite Elements at Cresta Park

- Trees (73%)
- Lawn space for informal use (70%)
- Playground and play elements (65%)





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WHAT WE'VE HEARD


Community Survey: District Residents' responses

10 Highest Ranked Elements to Improve the Parks

- Multi-use Paths (Weighted Score: 156)
- Off-leash dog area (150)
- Expanded Aquatics Facility (131)
- Updated Community Center (127)
- Updated Playground (121)

- Pickleball Court (140)
- Performance/Stage Area (125)
- Exercise Equipment Stations (109)
- Bocce Ball Court (108)
- Public Art (106)





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WHAT WE'VE HEARD

Easter Eggstravaganza (4/16)



ARDEN PARK Proposed Park Improvements

Improvement	Non-Resident Support	Non-Resident 50% Support	Resident Support	Resident 50% Support
Extended Looping Path	10	10	35	35
New Stone Boney Water Play Feature	10	10	35	35
Update Existing Playground	10	10	35	35
New Food (U) Area	10	10	35	35
New Community Center	10	10	35	35
New Fitness Equipment Station	10	10	35	35
Pickleball Courts	10	10	35	35
Repair Existing Pickleball Court	10	10	35	35
Surface Bounding Tennis Courts	10	10	35	35
New Picnic Table	10	10	35	35

CRESTA PARK Proposed Park Improvements

Improvement	Non-Resident Support	Non-Resident 50% Support	Resident Support	Resident 50% Support
New Fenced Dog Park	10	10	35	35
New ADA Existing Playground	10	10	35	35
Extended Looping Path	10	10	35	35
New Bocce Court	10	10	35	35
Improve Existing Soccer Field	10	10	35	35
New Picnic Area	10	10	35	35
Remove the Chess	10	10	35	35
New Concrete Plaza at Crosswalk	10	10	35	35



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PARK CONCEPT DESIGN: ARDEN PARK

UPGRADE OR RENOVATE

- 1. UPGRADE EXISTING PLAYGROUND
- 2. RESURFACE EXISTING TENNIS COURTS
- 3. REPAIR EXISTING BASKETBALL COURT (CONCRETE)

NEW

- 4. NEW COMMUNITY CENTER
- 5. NEW POOL (8-LANE)
- 6. NEW ZERO ENTRY WATER PLAY FEATURE
- 7. NEW P-ONE PLAZA
- 8. EXTENDED LOOPED PATH
- 9. NEW FITNESS EQUIPMENT STATIONS
- 10. NEW PICKLEBALL COURTS

FOUND WALL
PROPERTY LINE

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PARK CONCEPT DESIGN: ARDEN PARK

Upgrade or Renovate

- 1. Update Existing Playground
- 2. Resurface Existing Tennis Courts
- 3. Repair Existing Basketball Court

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PARK CONCEPT DESIGN: ARDEN PARK

New Community Center

4. New Community Center

Multi-purpose, divisible room
Kitchen
Dedicated older adult space
Flexible patio space
Other (please specify)

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PARK CONCEPT DESIGN: ARDEN PARK

New Aquatics Complex

- 5. New Pool (8-lane)
- 6. New Zero Entry Water Play Feature

Water slide
Water play area (splash or spray)
Patio
Lawn area
Additional seating
Covered pool station
Other (please specify)

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PARK CONCEPT DESIGN: ARDEN PARK

New Park Elements

7. New Picnic Plaza

8. Extended Looped Path

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PARK CONCEPT DESIGN: ARDEN PARK

New Recreation Elements

9. New Fitness Equipment Stations

10. New Pickleball Courts

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PARK CONCEPT DESIGN: ARDEN PARK

UPGRADE OR RENOVATE

- 1 UPDATE EXISTING PLAYGROUND
- 2 RESURFACE EXISTING TENNIS COURTS
- 3 REPAIR EXISTING BASKETBALL COURT (SPARKLE)

NEW

- 1 NEW COMMUNITY CENTER
- 2 NEW POOL (2-LANE)
- 3 NEW ZERO ENTRY WATER PLAY FEATURE
- 4 NEW PICNIC PLAZA
- 5 EXTENDED LOOPED PATH
- 6 NEW FITNESS EQUIPMENT STATIONS
- 7 NEW PICKLEBALL COURTS

— SOUND WALL

--- PROPERTY LINE

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PARK CONCEPT DESIGN: CRESTA PARK

UPGRADE OR RENOVATE

- 1 UPDATE EXISTING PLAYGROUND
- 2 RELOCATE "THE CHEESE"
- 3 IMPROVE EXISTING SOCCER FIELD (GRASS) + OMBACA + SEAGRAM

NEW

- 1 NEW PICNIC AREA
- 2 EXTENDED LOOPED PATH
- 3 NEW CONCRETE PLAZA AT PEDESTRIAN CROSSING
- 4 NEW SOCCER COURTS
- 5 NEW FENCED DOG PARK

--- PROPERTY LINE

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PARK CONCEPT DESIGN: CRESTA PARK

Upgrade or Renovate

1. Update Existing Playground
2. Relocate "The Cheese"
3. Improve Existing Soccer Field

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PARK CONCEPT DESIGN: CRESTA PARK

New Park Elements

4. New Picnic Area
5. Extended Looped Path
6. New Concrete Plaza at Pedestrian Crossing

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PARK CONCEPT DESIGN: CRESTA PARK

New Park Elements

7. New Bocce Court
8. New Fenced Dog Park

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PARK CONCEPT DESIGN: CRESTA PARK

UPGRADE OR RENOVATE

- 1 UPDATE EXISTING PLAYGROUND
- 2 RELOCATE "THE CHEESE"
- 3 IMPROVE EXISTING SOCCER FIELD (GRASS) + OVERLAY + REGULATION

NEW

- 4 NEW PICNIC AREA
- 5 EXTENDED LOOPED PATH
- 6 NEW CONCRETE PLAZA AT PEDESTRIAN CROSSING
- 7 NEW BOCCÉ COURTS
- 8 NEW FENCED DOG PARK

--- PROPERTY LINE

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Community Webinar presentation



PUBLIC COMMENT

3 mins per speaker;
Please 'Raise Your Hand'
to indicate you'd like to comment



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Advisory Board Presentations



Three presentations were given to the Advisory Board in person at La Sierra Community Center in Arden Park.

March 14, 2022

To present Round #1 outreach results and gather Advisory Board input on goals for the Master Plan update.

June 21, 2022

To present the final draft plan to the Advisory Board and begin the public comment and review period.

July 19, 2022

For Master Plan update adoption.

March 14 presentation

March 14 presentation

ABOUT THE PROJECT

PROJECT PURPOSE

- Update 2004 District Master Plan
- Identify park improvement opportunities
- Locate proposed facilities and estimate costs

VISION

Provide the Arden Park Recreation and Park District a path forward with a community-derived, "right-sized," & implementable plan that guides decision-making for inclusive future improvements and adaptable flex spaces for users of all ages, abilities, and interests.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Inclusive
- For all ages, abilities, and interests
- "Right-sized"
- Adapt and Flex spaces

ABOUT THE PROJECT

Task	2023				
	October	November	December	January	February
TABLE 1: PROJECT MANAGEMENT					
Subtask 1.1 Project Initiation					
Subtask 1.2 Monthly Progress Meetings					
TABLE 2: ANALYSIS OF EXISTING FACILITIES					
Subtask 2.1 Background Materials Review					
Subtask 2.2 Site Assessment					
Subtask 2.3 Site Assessment					
Subtask 2.4 Needs Analysis					
TABLE 3: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT					
Subtask 3.1 Community Engagement Plan					
Subtask 3.2 Project Website and Social Media					
Subtask 3.3 Stakeholder & Focus Group Interviews (2-3)					
Subtask 3.4 Citizen Surveys					
Subtask 3.5 Community Events (2-3)					
TABLE 4: RECOMMENDATIONS AND IMPLEMENTATION					
Subtask 4.1 Waste Formulation					
Subtask 4.2 Site Concepts and Recommendations					
Subtask 4.3 Recommendations					
Subtask 4.4 Funding Strategy					
Subtask 4.5 Recommendations and Action Plan					
Subtask 4.6 Park Master Plan					
Subtask 4.7 Presentations of Final Master Plan Update					

● Community Meeting
■ Public Meeting (Advisory Board)

OUTREACH SCHEDULE

LISTENING TO THE COMMUNITY

Subtask 3.1
Subtask 3.2
Subtask 3.3
Subtask 3.4
Subtask 3.5

PREFERRED PARK CO-OPERATION

Easter Eggstravaganza 4/16

MASTER PLAN UPDATE

Final Master Plan
Advisory Board
Public Meeting

ABOUT YOUR RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT

4,864 total District population
46 median age

Age: Youth (18-24) 15%, Young Adult (25-34) 24%, Adult (35-44) 20%, Older Adult (45+) 31%

Race: White 64%, Black 14%, Asian 7%, Other 15%

1,915 housing units
\$475,000 median house value

Park	Size
Arden Park	7.9 acres
Cresta Park	4.8 acres
Total Parkland	12.7 acres

Source: Subtask 1.1 map by the County of Sacramento

ABOUT YOUR RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT

- 1. Walking Trail
- 2. Accessible Path
- 3. Playground
- 4. Basketball Court
- 5. Pickleball
- 6. Softball
- 7. Net Ball
- 8. Tennis
- 9. Tennis Courts
- 10. Dog Park
- 11. Dog Run
- 12. Dog House
- 13. Dog Waste Station
- 14. Dog Waste Station
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Appendix C Community Outreach

Administrative Draft C-58 May 2022

Advisory Board Presentations

March 14 presentation

ABOUT YOUR RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT

Quantity of Elements			
Element	Arden Park	Cresta Park	District Total
Community Center	1	1	2
Pool	1	1	2
Softball Diamond	1	1	2
Rectangular Field	1	1	2
Basketball Court	1	0.5	1.5
Tennis Court	3	1*	4
Playground	2	2	4
Picnic Area, Reservable with BBQ	3	1	4
Horseshoe Pit	1	1	2
Restrooms	1	1	2

* One stopped for baseball

Current LOS Ratios	
Element	Arden Park / District
Community Center	1:4,864
Pool	1:4,864
Softball Diamond	1:4,864
Rectangular Field	1:4,864
Basketball Court	1:3,242
Tennis Court	1:1,216
Playground	1:1,216
Picnic Area, Reservable with BBQ	1:1,216
Horseshoe Pit	1:4,864
Restrooms	1:2,432





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WHAT WE'VE HEARD

STAKEHOLDERS
4 groups

COMMUNITY SURVEY
344 resident responses


Statistically valid

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- 5% margin of error

7% of the District's Population

Top 5 Reasons Residents Visit the Parks

- Attend a Community Event (75%)
- Outing with Children (62%)
- Outing or Gathering with Family (53%)
- Outing or Gathering with Friends (57%)
- Outing with Pets (50%)



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WHAT WE'VE HEARD

District Residents' responses

The District Parks are...

- ...outdoor neighborhood space to socialize
- ...wonderful
- ...great open space
- ...amazing
- ...very nice
- ...the BEST!

...safe, relevant, and useful for neighbors of all ages

...a treasure

...wonderful spots for children and families to gather

...what make Arden Park neighborhood a community

...for fun and play

...a two amazing parks

...a jewel

...great parks and resources

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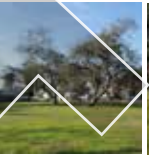


District Residents' responses

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- Trees (74%)
- Lawn space for informal use (69%)
- Playground and play elements (59%)
- Picnic areas/tables (45%)
- Walking/jogging paths (43%)
- Community Center (41%)

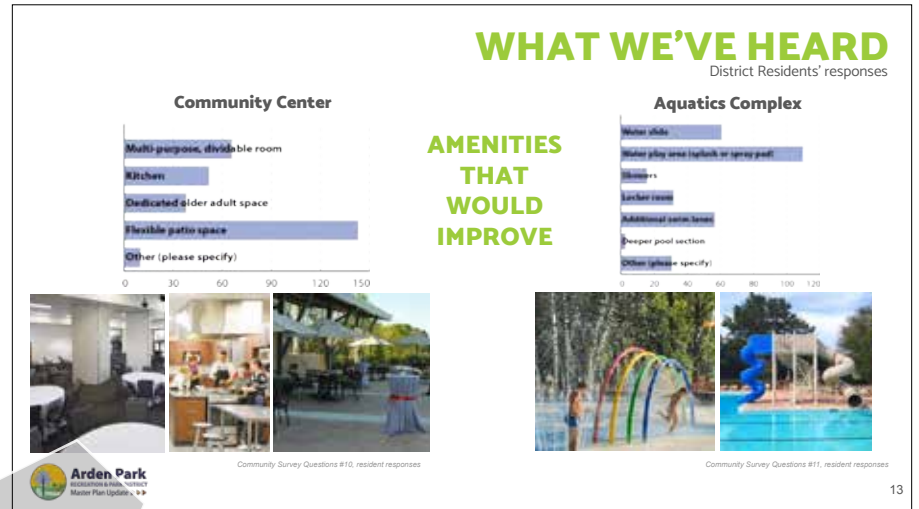
Top 3 Favorite Elements at Cresta Park

- Trees (74%)
- Lawn space for informal use (70%)
- Playground and play elements (65%)

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PROJECT GOALS

	WHAT SHOULD THE GOALS INCLUDE?			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> COMMUNITY Gathering 	Social	Culture	Public Space	???
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GREEN Sustainability Nature 	Natural Green	Resilient Climate	Ecological Environment	???
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CONDITIONS Comfort 	Safe	Inviting	Sensitive	???
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USES Diverse All Abilities 	Flexible Layered	Adaptable Multi-Use	Multi-purpose Active/Passive	???

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NEXT STEPS

YOUR HOMEWORK

- Spread the word
- Visit the project webpage
[2022 Master Plan Update - Arden Park Recreation and Park District \(aprpd.org\)](https://www.aprpd.org)
- Participate at the Community Event

MASTER PLAN

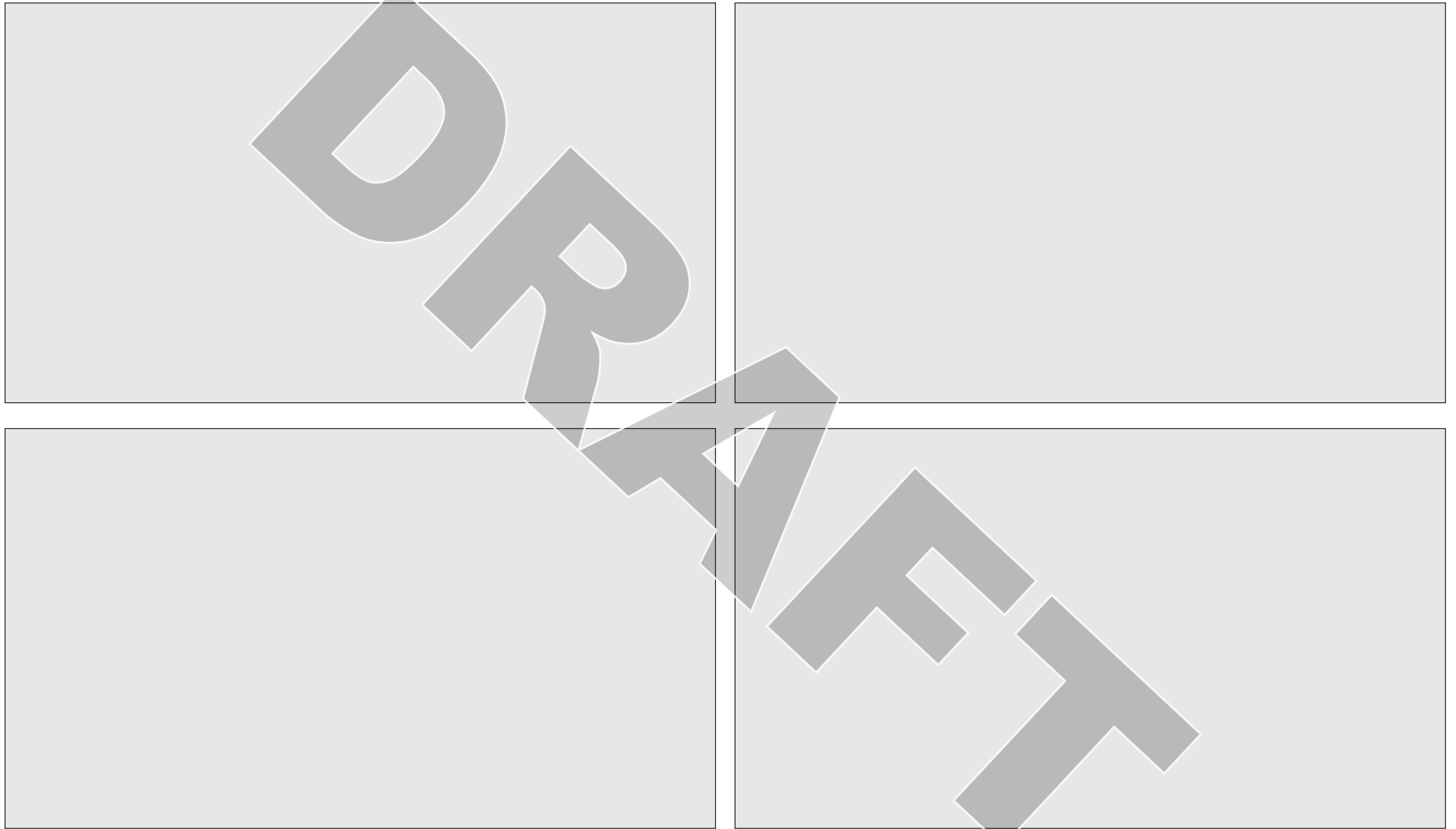
- Goals and Policies
- Park Concept Alternatives
Back to the Community for feedback

COMMUNITY INPUT

- Easter Eggstravaganza 4/16
Feedback on Park Concepts

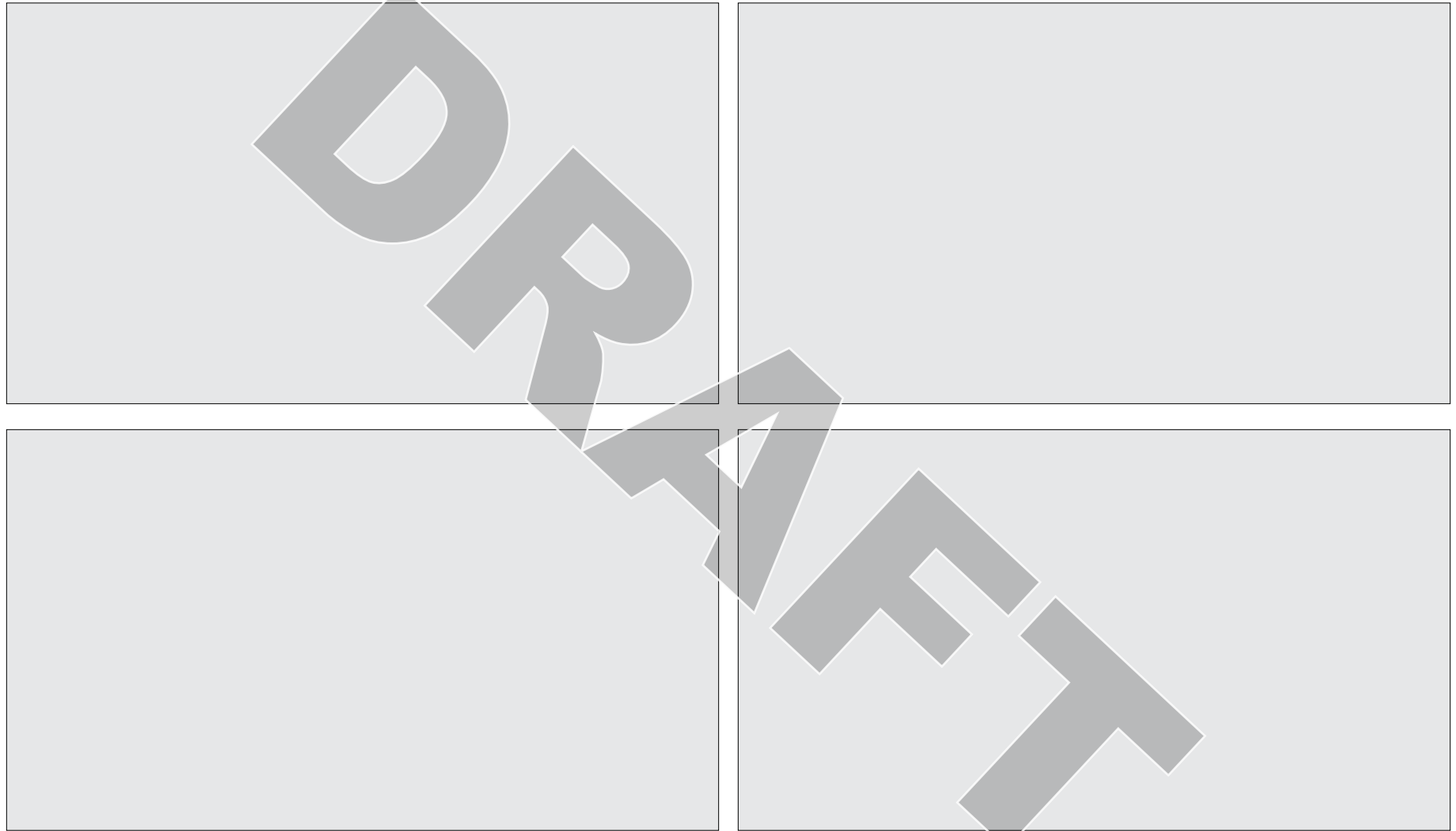
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Appendix
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Benchmarks



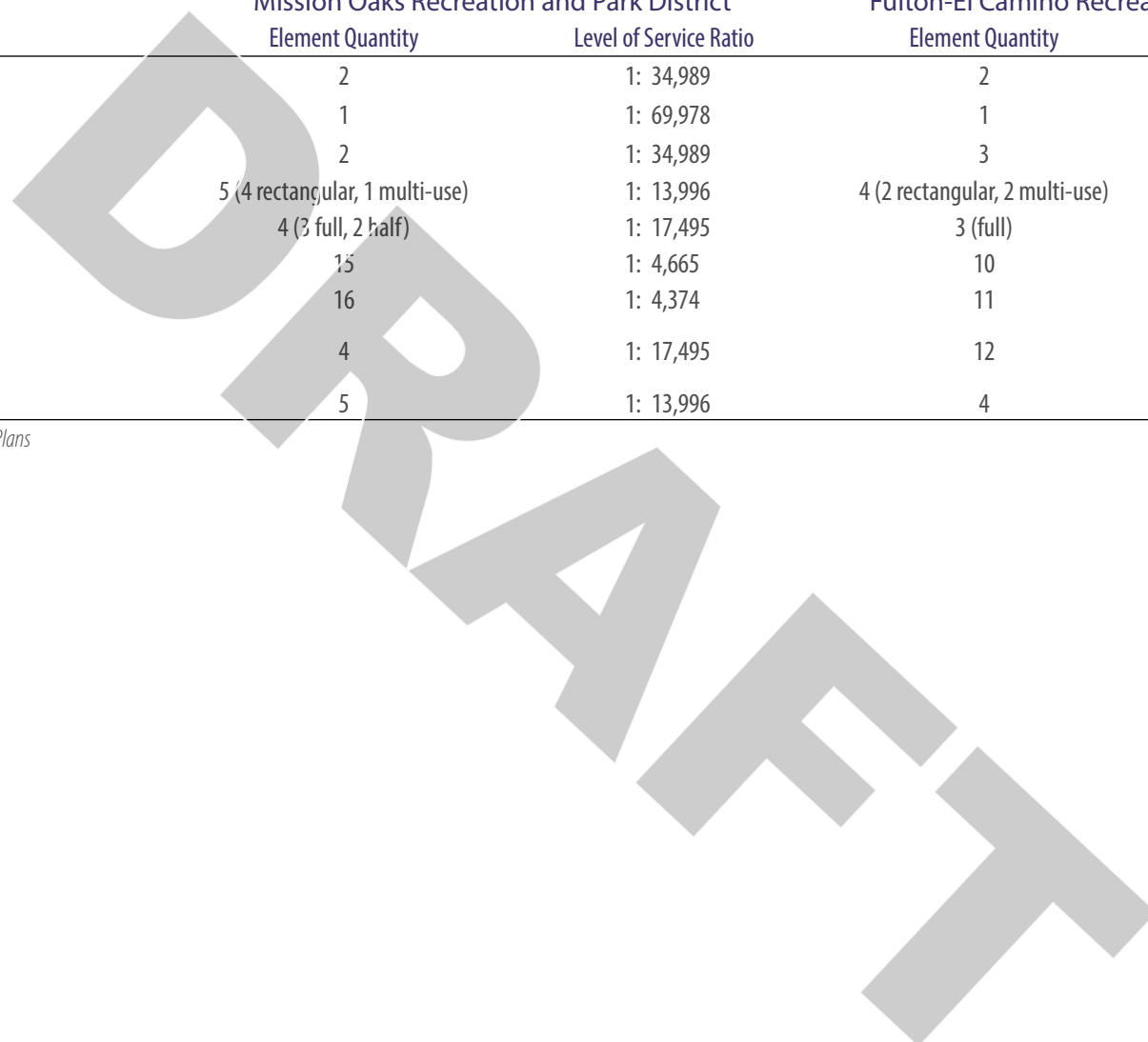
Comparison Districts



Comparison Districts' Level of Service (LOS) Ratios

Park Element	Mission Oaks Recreation and Park District		Fulton-El Camino Recreation and Park District	
	Element Quantity	Level of Service Ratio	Element Quantity	Level of Service Ratio
Community Center	2	1: 34,989	2	1: 18,501
Pool	1	1: 69,978	1	1: 37,001
Softball Diamond	2	1: 34,989	3	1: 12,334
Rectangular Field	5 (4 rectangular, 1 multi-use)	1: 13,996	4 (2 rectangular, 2 multi-use)	1: 9,250
Basketball Court	4 (3 full, 2 half)	1: 17,495	3 (full)	1: 12,334
Tennis Court	15	1: 4,665	10	1: 3,700
Playground	16	1: 4,374	11	1: 3,364
Picnic Area, Reservable with BBQ	4	1: 17,495	12	1: 3,083
Restrooms	5	1: 13,996	4	1: 9,250

Source: Data from each District's Master Plans





NRPA Comparison Level of Service (LOS) Ratios

Park Element		Jurisdictions of a Similar Size (less than 20,000 people)	Population per Square Mile (over 2,500)	Jurisdiction Type (Special District)	Region (Pacific Southwest)
Community Center	1:	8,504	35,105	24,510	46,000
Pool	1:	8,637	52,530	--	--
Softball Diamond ¹	1:	5,503	16,026	10,891	19,301
Rectangular Field ²	1:	3,933	9,248	6,789	14,576
Basketball Court	1:	3,750	7,542	5,919	10,378
Tennis Court	1:	2,723	5,604	--	--
Playground	1:	1,986	3,737	2,728	5,799
Picnic Area, Reservable with BBQ	1:	--	--	--	--
Restrooms	1:	--	--	--	--

Source: Data from 2022 NRPA Agency Performance Review

-- means no data available

¹ Youth and Adult Softball Diamond Fields

² Multi-use and Youth Soccer Rectangular Fields



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Appendix
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Probable Cost Estimates



Probable Cost Estimates for Arden Park Recommendations

Recommendation	Quantity	Unit	Cost (\$)	Est. Construction	Est. Soft Costs (35%)	Contingency (30%)	Totals
1 Update Existing Playground				\$901,500	\$180,300	\$270,450	\$1,352,250
Demo Existing Playground (2-5)	1	EA	\$10,000	\$10,000			
New Playground Structure (2-5)	1	EA	\$200,000	\$200,000			
New Swings (2-5)	1	EA	\$35,000	\$35,000			
Fall surfacing (2-5)	4,700	SF	\$45	\$211,500			
Demo Existing Playground (5-12)	1	EA	\$10,000	\$10,000			
New Playground Structure (5-12)	1	EA	\$300,000	\$300,000			
Fall surfacing (5-12)	3,000	SF	\$45	\$135,000			
2 Resurface Existing Tennis Court				\$268,450	\$93,958	\$80,535	\$442,943
Remove existing surfacing	20,650	SF	\$5	\$103,250			
Resurface and Re-stripe	20,650	SF	\$8	\$165,200			
3 Redo Existing Basketball Court				\$217,000	\$75,950	\$65,100	\$358,050
Demo existing	4,500	SF	\$5	\$22,500			
Site preparation	4,500	SF	\$15	\$76,500			
Pour concrete	4,500	SF	\$26	\$117,000			
Court markings and hoops	1	EA	\$10,000	\$10,000			
4 New Community Center				\$12,519,125	\$4,381,694	\$3,755,738	\$20,656,556
Demo existing building	5,100	SF	\$45	\$127,500			
Demo existing bathroom structure	665	SF	\$25	\$16,625			
Site preparation	11,000	SF	\$125	\$1,375,000			
Construct new Community Center	11,000	SF	\$1,000	\$11,000,000			
Site Repair	8,000	SF	\$25	\$200,000			

Probable Cost Estimates for Arden Park Recommendations

Recommendation	Quantity	Unit	Cost (\$)	Est. Construction	Est. Soft Costs (35%)	Contingency (30%)	Totals
5 New 8-lane Pool				\$2,701,000	\$945,350	\$810,300	\$4,456,650
Demo existing pool	3,850	SF	\$45	\$173,250			
Demo existing pool deck	7,250	SF	\$25	\$181,250			
Site preparation	14,900	SF	\$25	\$372,500			
Construct new pool	4,600	SF	\$225	\$1,035,000			
Construct new pool deck	9,400	SF	\$60	\$564,000			
New pool equipment	1	EA	\$375,000	\$375,000			
6 New Zero-Entry Water Play Feature				\$515,000	\$180,250	\$154,500	\$849,750
Demo existing	500	SF	\$65	\$32,500			
Site Preparation	900	SF	\$25	\$22,500			
Construct new water play feature pool	900	SF	\$125	\$112,500			
Water Play Equipment	1	EA	\$250,000	\$250,000			
New water play feature structure	1	EA	\$130,000	\$130,000			
7 Extended Looped Path				\$98,400	\$34,440	\$29,520	\$162,360
Site preparation	2,400	SF	15	\$36,000			
Pour concrete paths (48" wide)	2,400	SF	26	\$62,400			
8 New Pickleball Courts				\$405,600	\$141,600	\$121,680	\$669,240
Demo existing Ball Wall	2,900	SF	\$12	\$34,800			
Site preparation	4,050	SF	\$15	\$60,750			
Pour concrete with tennis surfacing	4,050	SF	\$45	\$182,250			
Court markings and net	2	EA	\$4,500	\$9,000			
Fencing	660	SF	\$180	\$118,800			

Probable Cost Estimates for Arden Park Recommendations

Recommendation	Quantity	Unit	Cost (\$)	Est. Construction	Est. Soft Costs (35%)	Contingency (30%)	Totals
- Sound walls				\$129,800	\$45,430	\$38,940	\$241,170
Site preparation	590	LF	\$20	\$11,800			
Construct Sound wall (pool)	440	LF	\$200	\$88,000			
Construct Sound wall (pickleball)	150	LF	\$200	\$30,000			
- Maintenance Area				\$956,000	\$334,600	\$286,800	\$1,577,400
Demo existing area	6,200	SF	\$20	\$124,000			
Construct new maintenance yard	5,400	SF	\$80	\$432,000			
Construct new maintenance garage	1	EA	\$400,000	\$400,000			
A New Fitness Equipment Stations				\$100,800	\$35,280	\$30,240	\$166,320
Fitness Equipment	3	EA	\$12,000	\$36,000			
Site preparation	1,080	SF	\$15	\$16,200			
Resilient Surfacing	1,080	SF	\$45	\$48,600			



Probable Cost Estimates for Cresta Park Recommendations

Recommendation	Quantity	Unit	Cost (\$)	Est. Construction	Est. Soft Costs	Contingency (30%)	Totals
1 Update Existing Playground				\$1,073,500	\$375,25	\$322,050	\$1,771,275
Demo Existing Playground (2-5)	1	EA	\$10,000	\$10,000			
New Playground Structure (2-5)	1	EA	\$250,000	\$250,000			
New Swings (2-5)	1	EA	\$35,000	\$35,000			
Fall surfacing (2-5)	6,800	SF	\$45	\$306,000			
Demo Existing Playground (5-12)	1	EA	\$10,000	\$10,000			
New Playground Structure (5-12)	1	EA	\$350,000	\$350,000			
Fall surfacing (5-12)	2,500	SF	\$45	\$112,500			
2 Improve Existing Soccer Field				\$1,188,000	\$415,800	\$356,400	\$1,960,200
Site Preparation	36,000	SF	\$5	\$180,000			
Demo existing	36,000	SF	\$5	\$180,000			
Grading & Drainage	36,000	SF	\$125	\$540,000			
Install new irrigation	36,000	SF	\$10	\$360,000			
Install new sod turf	36,000	SF	\$3	\$108,000			
3 New Bocce Court				\$183,500	\$64,225	\$55,050	\$302,775
Site Preparation	1,700	SF	\$15	\$25,500			
Install Bocce Court	1	EA	\$150,000	\$150,000			
Picnic Table	2	EA	\$4,000	\$8,000			
4 Extended Looped Path				\$263,840	\$92,344	\$79,152	\$435,336
Site Preparation	5,600	SF	\$15	\$84,400			
Pour concrete paths (48" wide)	5,600	SF	\$28	\$156,800			
Site Repair	2,800	SF	\$8	\$23,040			

Probable Cost Estimates for Cresta Park Recommendations

Recommendation	Quantity	Unit	Cost (\$)	Est. Construction	Est. Soft Costs	Contingency (30%)	Totals
5 New Picnic Area				\$87,300	\$30,555	\$26,190	\$144,045
Site Preparation	1,100	SF	\$15	\$16,500			
Picnic Table	5	EA	\$4,000	\$20,000			
Concrete Paving	1,100	SF	\$28	\$30,800			
Accessory Furniture (Trash cans, BBQ)	4	EA	\$3,000	\$12,000			
Site Repair	1,000	SF	\$8	\$8,000			
A New Concrete Plaza at Crosswalk				\$47,220	\$16,527	\$14,166	\$77,913
Site Preparation	340	SF	\$20	\$6,800			
Pour concrete landing	340	SF	\$28	\$9,520			
Site Preparation	900	SF	\$5	\$4,500			
Pour concrete paths (48" wide)	900	SF	\$28	\$25,200			
Site Repair	150	SF	\$8	\$1,200			