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**APPENDIX A**

# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

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# 2022 City of Lakewood Community Resources Needs Assessment Survey Executive Summary

## Overview

ETC Institute administered a Community Needs Assessment Survey for the City of Lakewood Community Resources Department during the months of spring 2022. The survey will help the Lakewood Community Resources Department plan for future recreation programs and facilities that meet the community's needs and preferences.

## Methodology

ETC Institute mailed a survey packet to a random sample of households in the City of Lakewood. Each survey packet contained a cover letter, a copy of the survey, and a postage-paid return envelope. Residents who received the survey were given the option of returning the survey by mail or completing it online at *ICPRSurvey.org*.

Ten days after the surveys were mailed, ETC Institute sent emails, text messages, and placed phone calls to the households that received the survey to encourage participation. The emails and text messages contained a link to the online version of the survey to make it easy for residents to complete the survey. To prevent people who were not residents of the City of Lakewood from participating, everyone who completed the survey online was required to enter their home address prior to submitting the survey. ETC Institute then matched the addresses that were entered online with the addresses that were originally selected for the random sample. If the address from a survey completed online did not match one of the addresses selected for the sample, the online survey was not included in the final database for this report.

The goal was to complete a minimum of 400 completed surveys from City residents. The goal was exceeded with 467 completed surveys collected. The overall results for the sample of 467 households have a precision of at least +/-4.5 at the 95% level of confidence.

This report contains the following:

- Charts showing the overall results of the survey (Section 1)
- Priority Investment Rating (PIR) that identifies priorities for facilities and programs (Section 2)
- Tabular data showing the overall results for all questions on the survey (Section 3)
- A copy of the survey instrument (Section 4)

The major findings of the survey are summarized on the following pages.

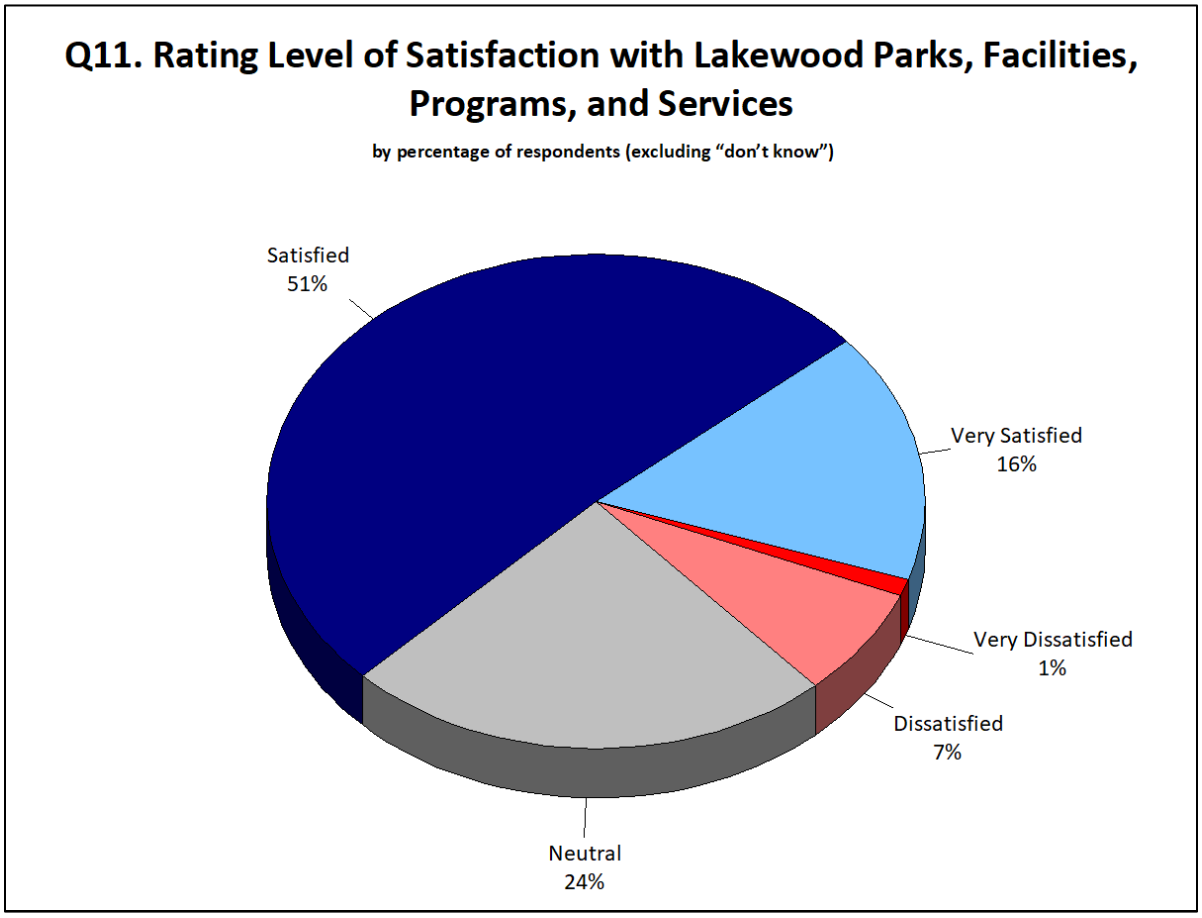
# City Arts, Parks, and Recreation Facilities and Programs Use

**Frequency of Use.** Respondents were asked to indicate if their household does or does not use city arts, parks, or recreation facilities in a typical year. Ninety-six percent (96%) of respondents said they do use the facilities. Respondents were also asked about city arts, parks, or recreation programs. Seventy percent (70%) of respondents said they do use these programs.

**Barriers to use.** The top reason respondents did not utilize Lakewood facilities is because they use other city/state/private/HOA facilities (32%). Each of the other answers were selected at 16% or fewer. The top reasons respondents did not utilize Lakewood programs are because they didn't know what was offered (54%), busy schedules or not interested (30%), and preference for individual activities instead (29%).

**Level of Satisfaction.** Respondents were asked to indicate their level of satisfaction with Lakewood Parks, Facilities, Programs, and Services. Most respondents (67%) indicated they were either very satisfied (16%) or satisfied (51%). Only 8% responded either dissatisfied (7%) or very dissatisfied (1%).

The chart below shows the level of satisfaction with Lakewood programs and facilities.



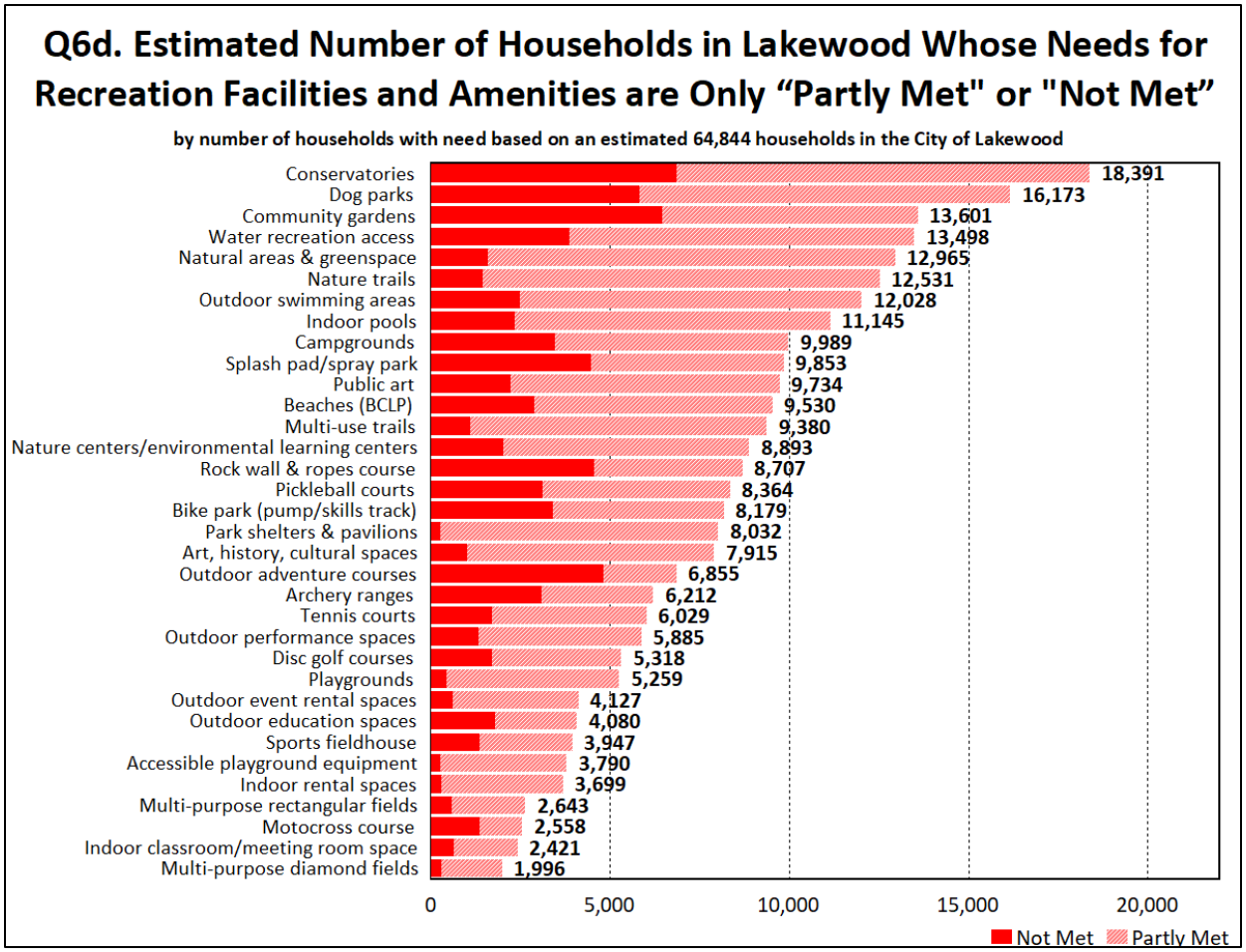
# Parks and Recreation Facilities and Amenities Needs and Priorities

**Facility/Amenity Needs**: Respondents were asked to identify if their household had a need for 34 parks and recreation facilities/amenities and to rate how well their needs for each were currently being met. Based on this analysis, ETC Institute was able to estimate the number of households in the community that had the greatest "unmet" need for various facilities/amenities.

The three parks and recreation facilities/amenities with the highest percentage of households that have an unmet need:

1. Conservatories – 18,391 households (28%),
2. Dog Parks – 16,173 households (25%), and
3. Community Gardens – 13,601 households (21%).

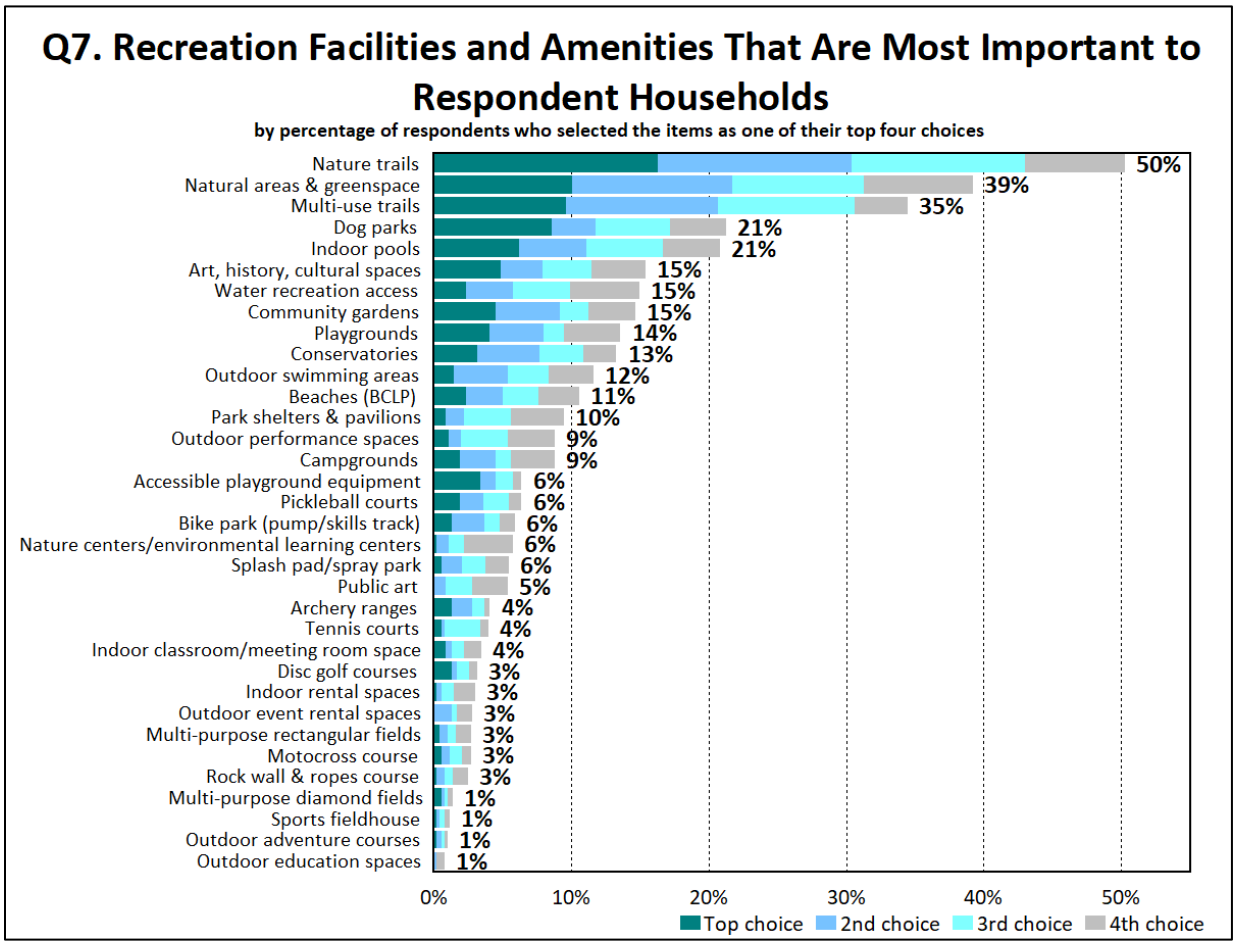
The estimated number of households that have unmet needs for each of the 34 parks and recreation center amenities assessed is shown in the chart below.



**Facilities and Amenities Importance:** In addition to assessing the needs for each parks and recreation amenity, ETC Institute also assessed the importance that residents placed on each item. Based on the sum of respondents' top four choices, these were the three most important amenities to residents:

1. Nature Trails (50%),
2. Natural areas & greenspace (39%), and
3. Multi-use trails (35%)

The percentage of residents who selected each facility/amenity as one of their top four choices is shown in the chart below.

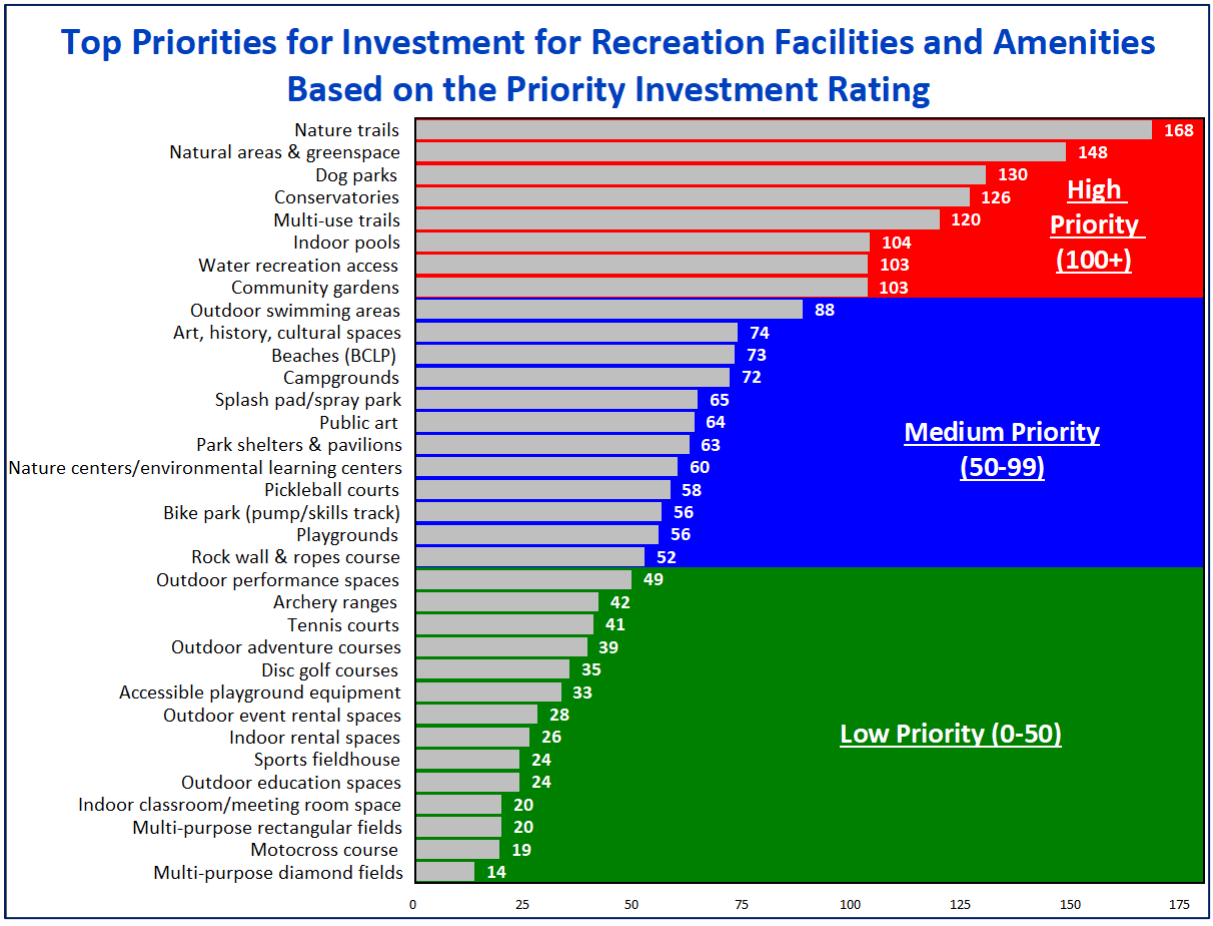


**Priorities for Facility Investments:** The **Priority Investment Rating (PIR)** was developed by ETC Institute to provide organizations with an objective tool for evaluating the priority that should be placed on recreation and parks investments. The Priority Investment Rating (PIR) equally weights (1) the importance that residents place on amenities and (2) how many residents have unmet needs for the amenity. [Details regarding the methodology for this analysis are provided in Section 3 of this report.]

Based the Priority Investment Rating (PIR), the following parks and recreation facilities/amenities were rated as high priorities for investment:

- Nature trails (PIR=168)
- Natural areas & greenspace (PIR=148)
- Dog parks (PIR=130)
- Conservatories (PIR=126)
- Multi-use trails (PIR=120)
- Indoor pools (PIR=104)
- Water recreation access (PIR=103)
- Community gardens (PIR=103)

The chart below shows the Priority Investment Rating for each of the 34 recreation facilities assessed on the survey.



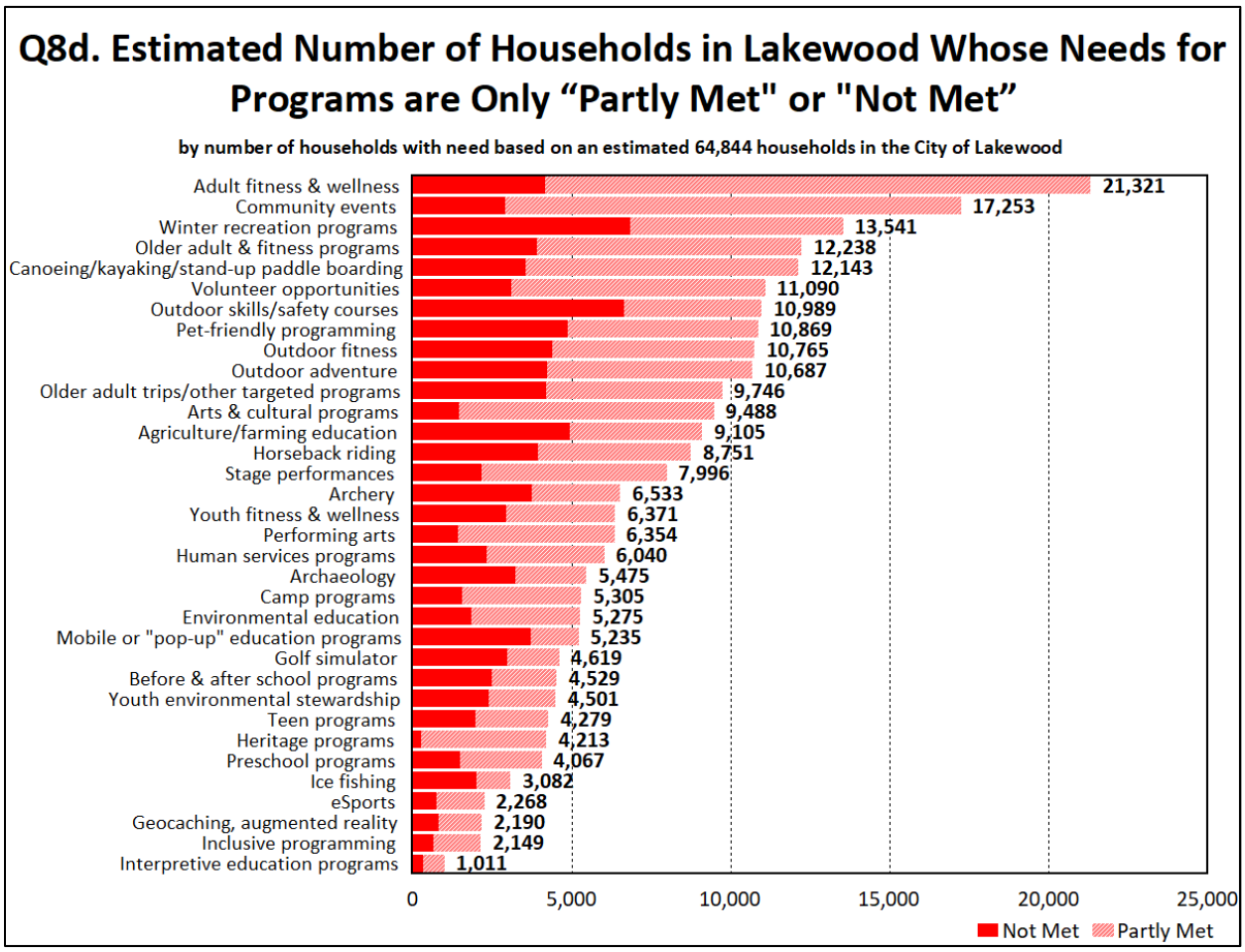
# Lakewood Program Needs and Priorities

**Program Needs**: Respondents were asked to identify if their household had a need for 34 programs and to rate how well their needs for each were currently being met. Based on this analysis, ETC Institute was able to estimate the number of households in the community that had the greatest "unmet" need for various facilities/amenities.

The three programs with the highest percentage of households that have an unmet need:

1. Adult fitness & wellness programs – 21,321 households (33%),
2. Community events – 17,253 households (27%), and
3. Winter recreation programs– 13,541 households (21%).

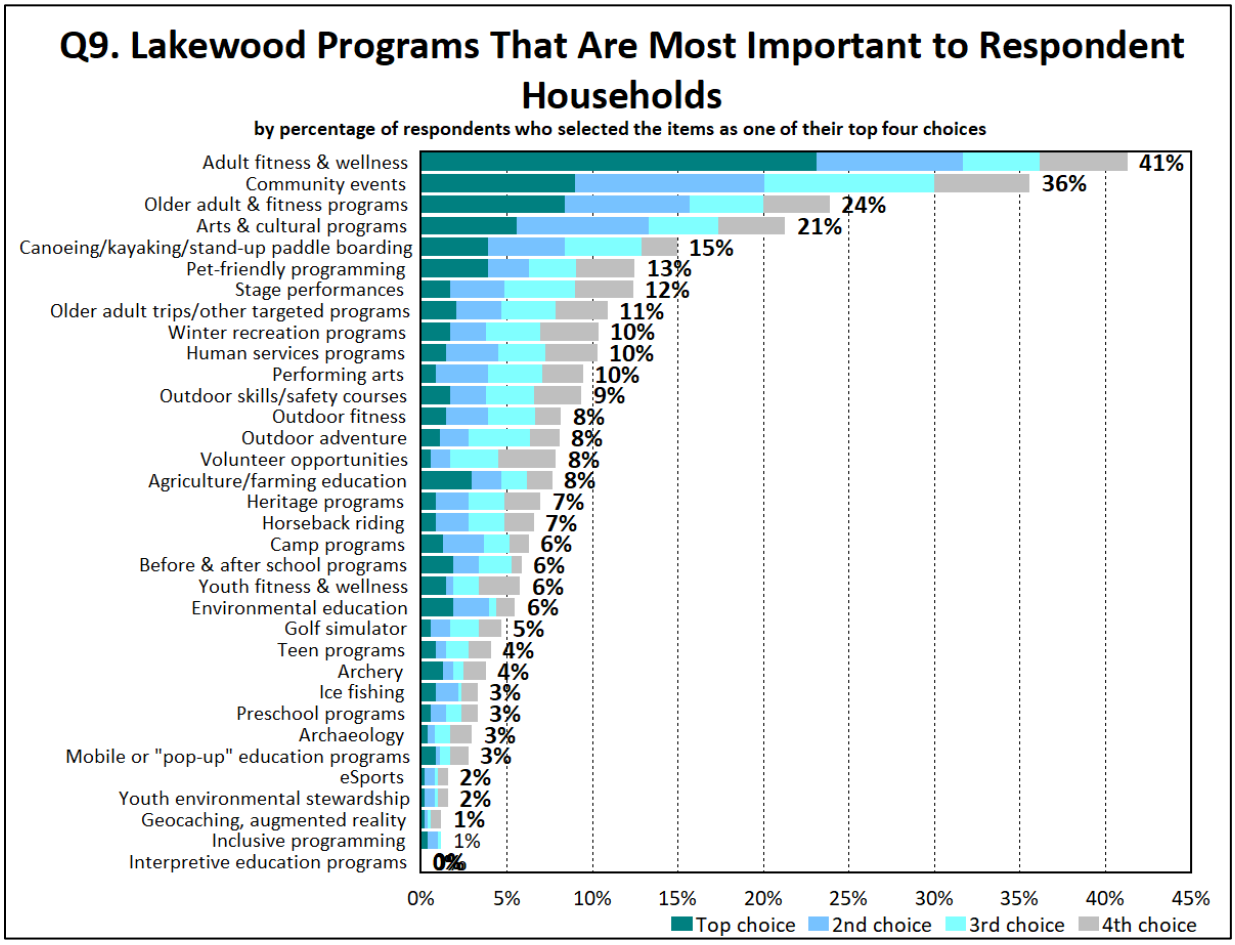
The estimated number of households that have unmet needs for each of the 34 parks and recreation center amenities assessed is shown in the chart below.



**Programs Importance:** In addition to assessing the needs for each program, ETC Institute also assessed the importance that residents placed on each item. Based on the sum of respondents' top four choices, these are the three most important programs to residents:

1. Adult fitness & wellness (41%),
2. Community Events (36%), and
3. Older adult & fitness programs (35%)

The percentage of residents who selected each program as one of their top four choices is shown in the chart below.



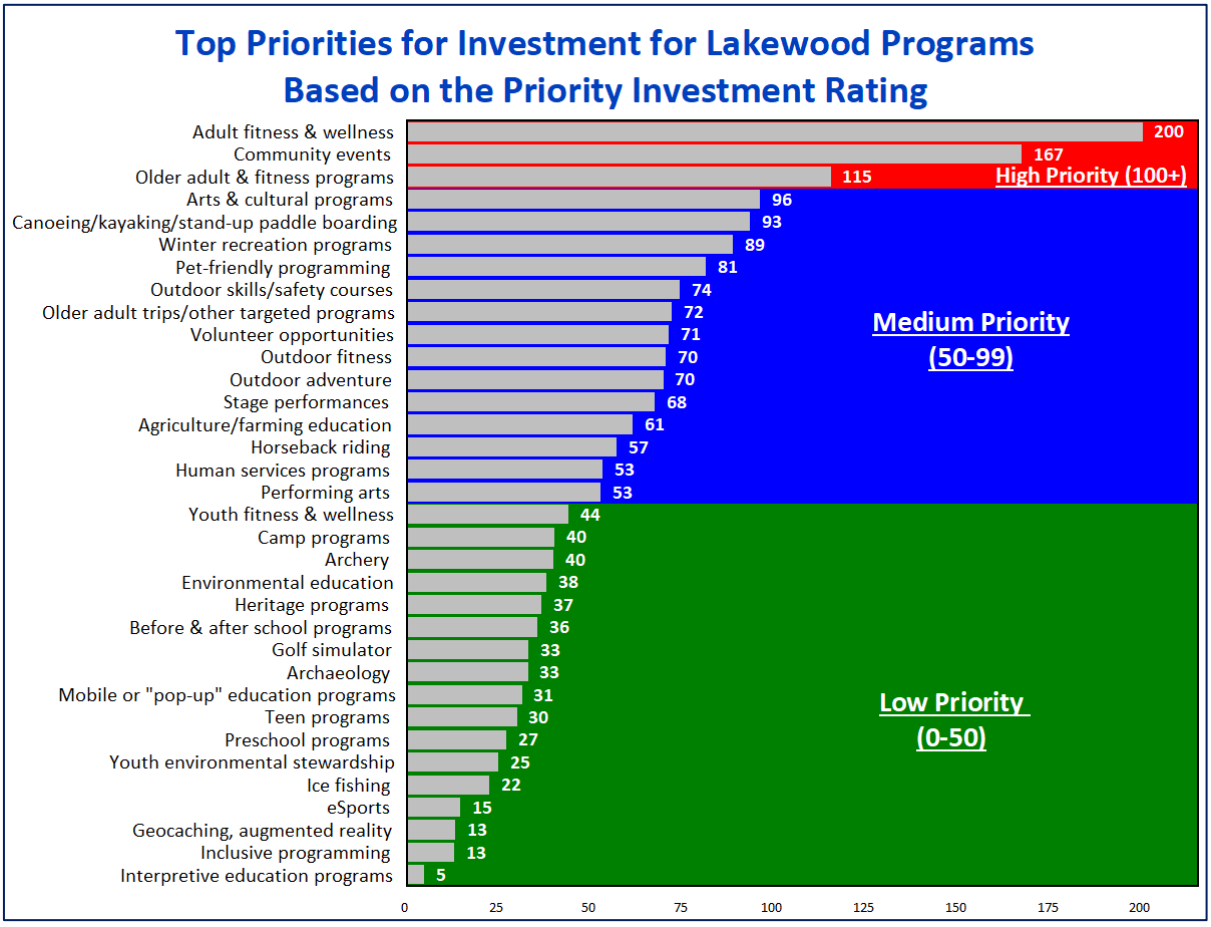

**Program Roles and Services Importance.** Respondents were asked to select the top three roles/services of highest importance in Lakewood heritage, culture, and arts programs. Most important was supporting local artists and art organizations (43%) followed by preserving and presenting local history at 40%. More than a quarter of respondents also selected providing opportunities to gather and celebrate (32%), exposure to local/regional artists and performers (31%), broadening exposure to arts/culture/history (30%), and contributing to the local economy (26%) as one of their top three choices.

**Priorities for Program Investments:** The **Priority Investment Rating (PIR)** was developed by ETC Institute to provide organizations with an objective tool for evaluating the priority that should be placed on recreation and parks investments. The Priority Investment Rating (PIR) equally weights (1) the importance that residents place on each program and (2) how many residents have unmet needs for the program. [Details regarding the methodology for this analysis are provided in Section 3 of this report.]

Based the Priority Investment Rating (PIR), the following Lakewood programs were rated as high priorities for investment:

- Adult fitness & wellness programs (PIR=200)
- Community events (PIR=167)
- Older adult & fitness programs (PIR=115)

The chart below shows the Priority Investment Rating for each of the 34 programs assessed.



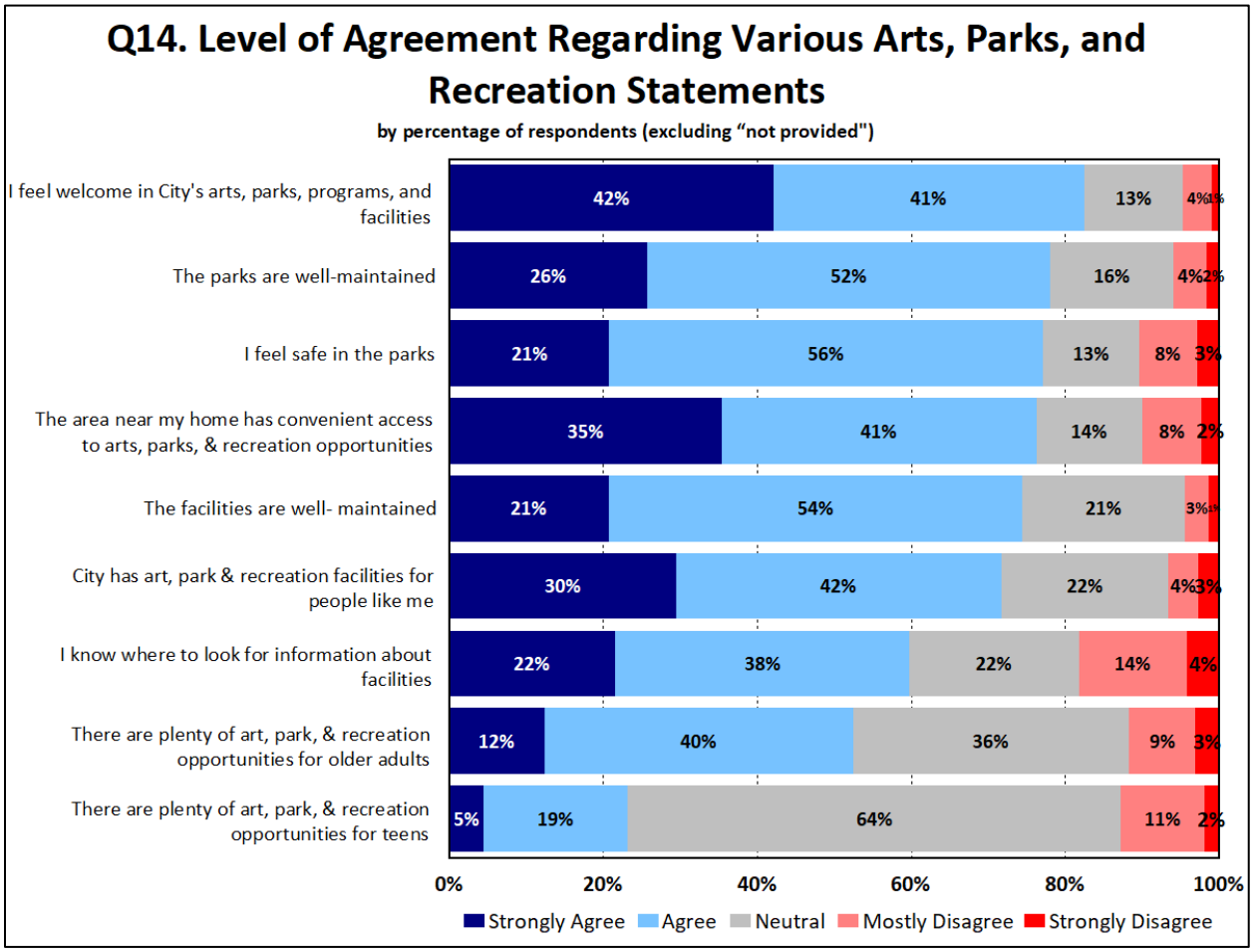
# Arts, Parks, and Recreation Statement Beliefs

**Level of Agreement Regarding Facilities**. Respondents were asked to indicate their level of agreement regarding various statements about arts, parks, and recreation facilities. Most respondents either agreed or strongly agreed with each of the statements. The three statements with the highest level of agreement (either strongly agree or agree) were:

- Facilities in Lakewood provide access to greenspace & nature, or playgrounds (89%)
- Facilities in Lakewood preserve open space & protect the environment (86%)
- Facilities in Lakewood improve my/my household's physical health and fitness (85%)

**Level of Agreement Regarding Overall Beliefs Statements**. Respondents were asked to indicate their level of agreement regarding 9 overall belief statements on Lakewood arts, parks, and recreation. Most respondents either strongly agree or agree with each of the statements except "there are plenty of art, park, & recreation opportunities for teens", where the most common response was neutral (64%). Respondents most often agreed that they felt welcome at the city facilities and programs (83%).

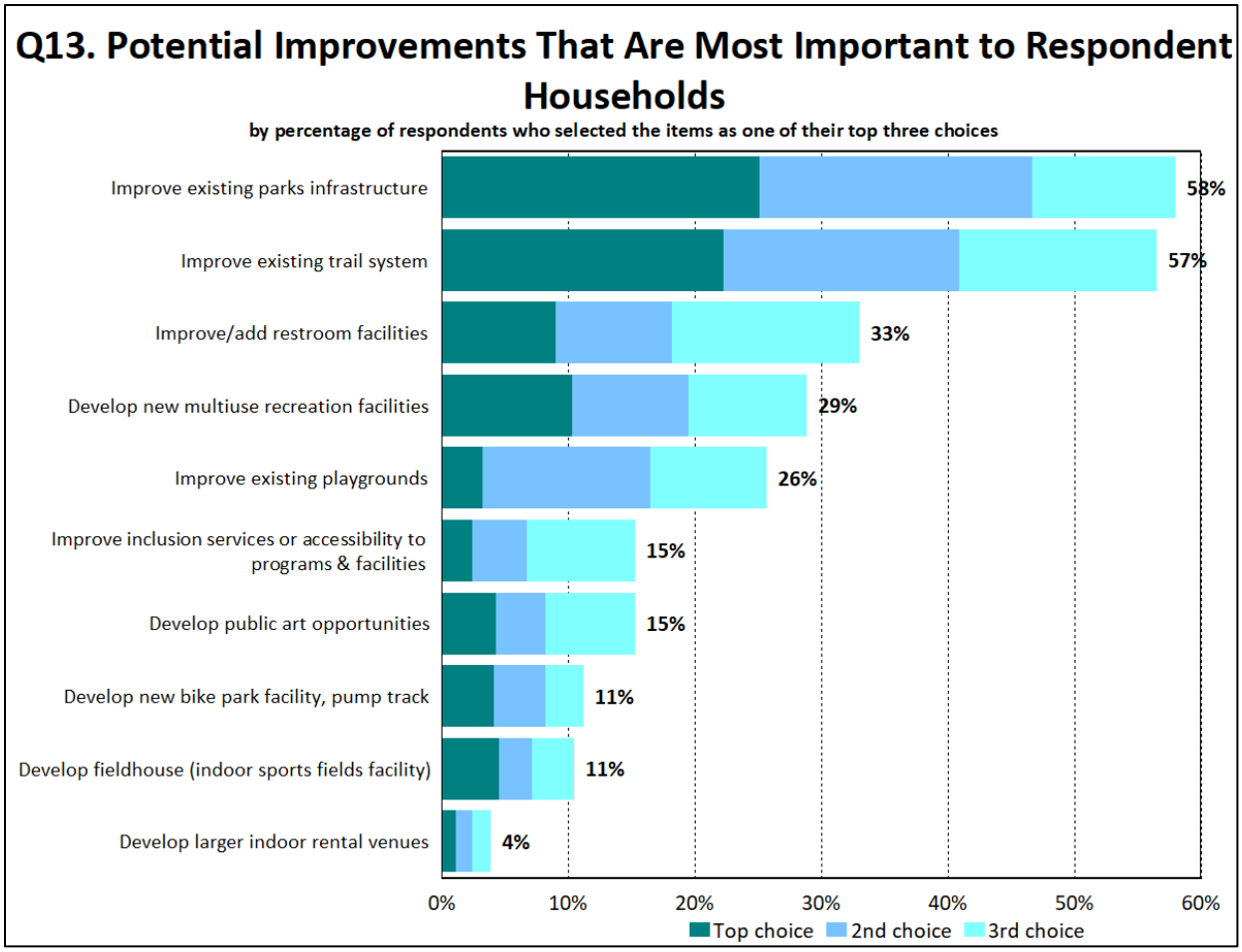
The graph below shows the level of agreement on Lakewood arts, parks, and recreation statements.



# Improvement Actions by City

**Level of Support for Potential Actions.** Respondents were asked to rate their level of support regarding 10 actions the City of Lakewood could take to improve its parks and recreation system. All the questions had more respondents either very supportive or somewhat supportive of the action except "develop larger indoor rental venues," where 67% of respondents were either not sure (50%) or not supportive (17%). The actions with the highest level of support (either very supportive or somewhat supportive) were improving existing parks infrastructure (88%), improving existing trail system (88%), and improve/add restroom facilities (85%).

**Importance of Potential Actions**. Respondents were asked to select which three potential action items from the previous question were most important to their household. The three items selected most often match the items with the highest level of support: improving existing parks infrastructure (58%), improving existing trail system (57%), and improve/add restroom facilities (33%).



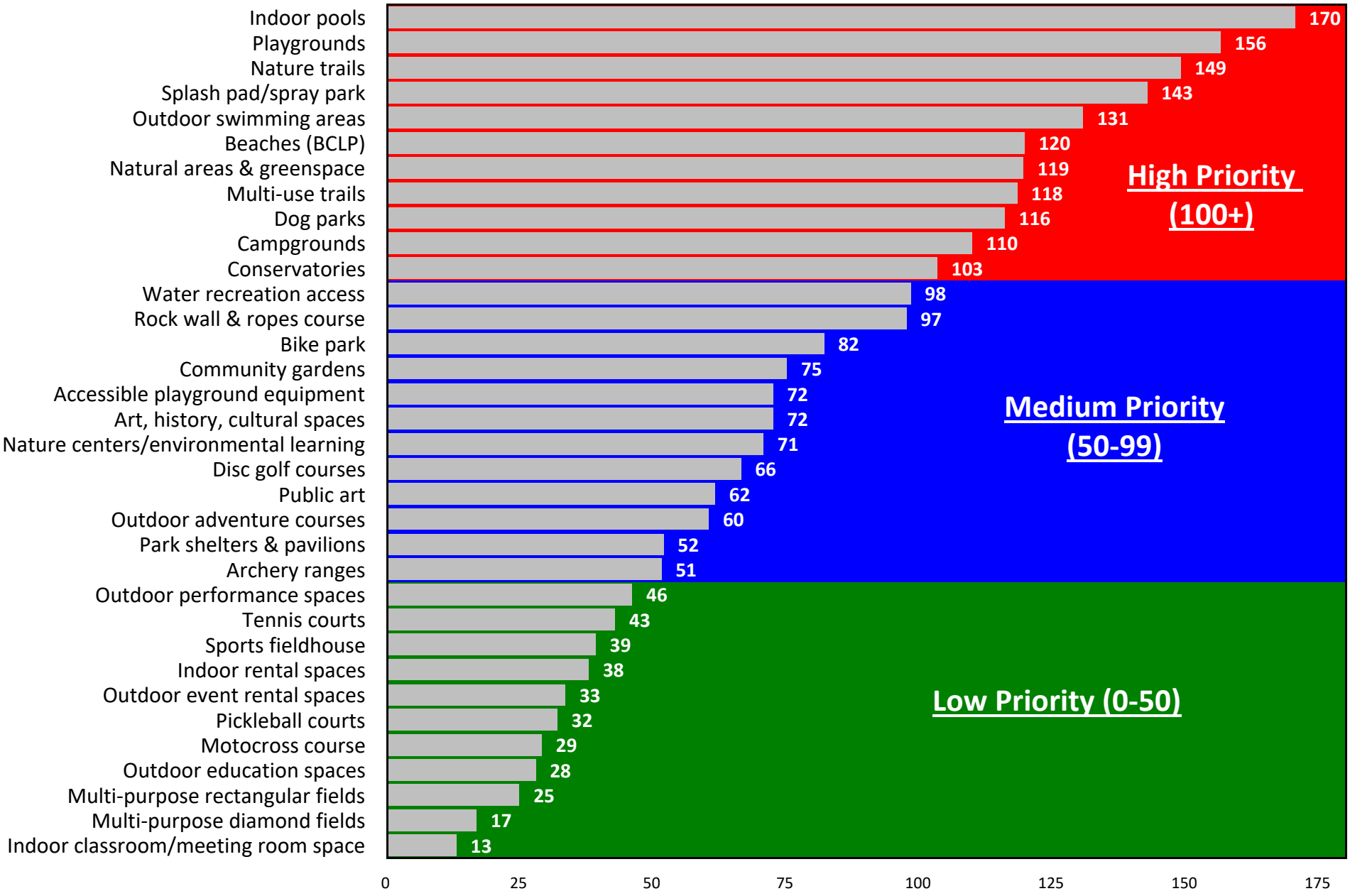
# Additional Findings

**Event Concepts of Interest.** Respondents were asked to indicate which event concepts their household would be interested in or enjoy. The highest number of respondents indicated outdoor entertainment as an interest (80%). More than half of respondents were also interested in festivals (61%), holiday celebrations (59%), and food/drink events (54%).

**Household's Perception Change Due to COVID-19.** Respondents were asked to indicate how their perception their use of arts, parks, trails, and recreation has changed due to COVID-19. The largest number of respondents felt it made no change (34%). Thirty-seven percent (37%) felt their use either somewhat increased (22%) or significantly increased (15%). Twenty-nine percent (29%) felt their usage either somewhat decreased (17%) or significantly decreased (12%).

# Appendix A2 - Statistically Valid Survey Results by Household Type

## Top Priorities for Investment for Recreation Facilities and Amenities
## Families with Kids 0-9



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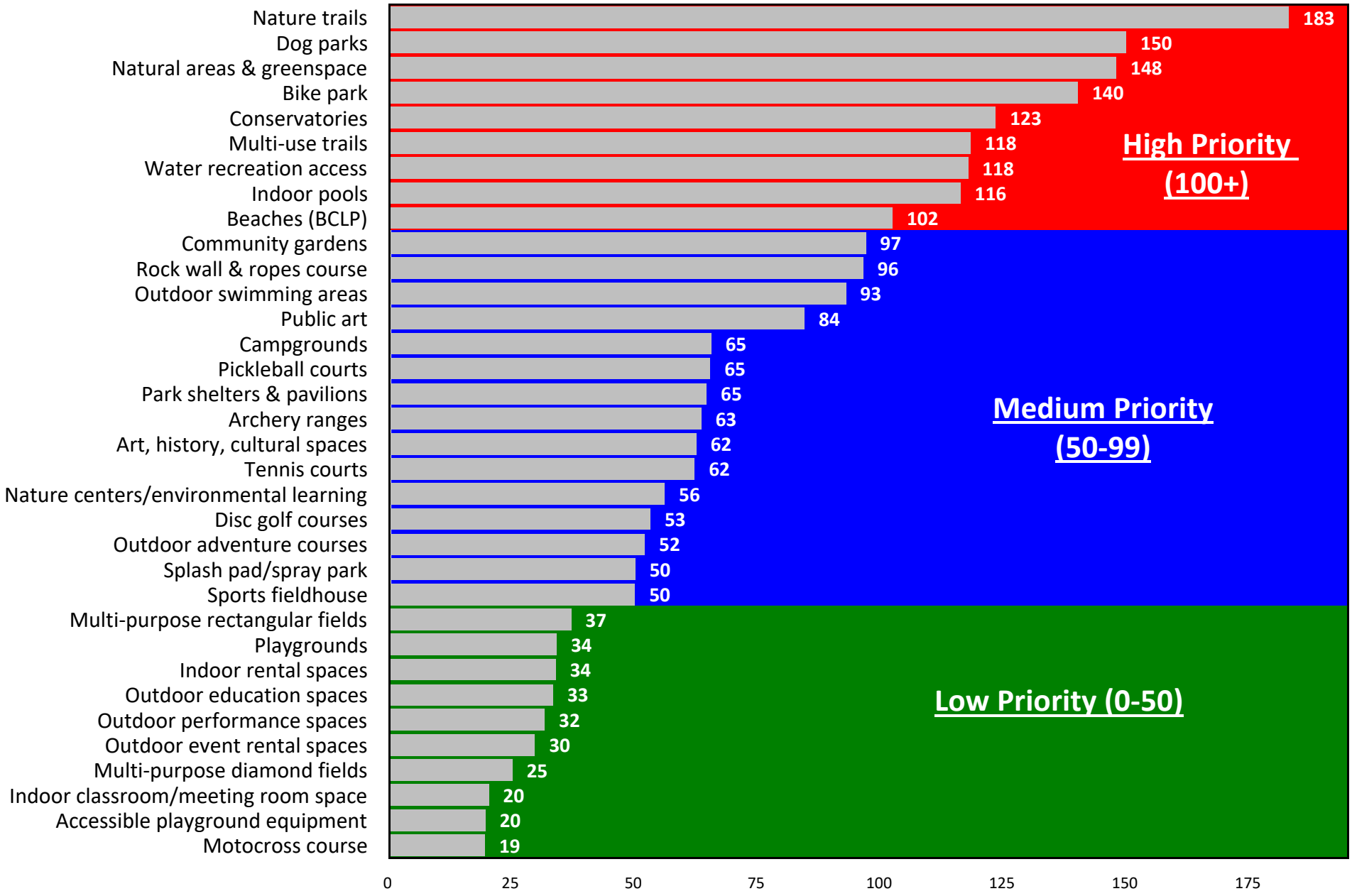

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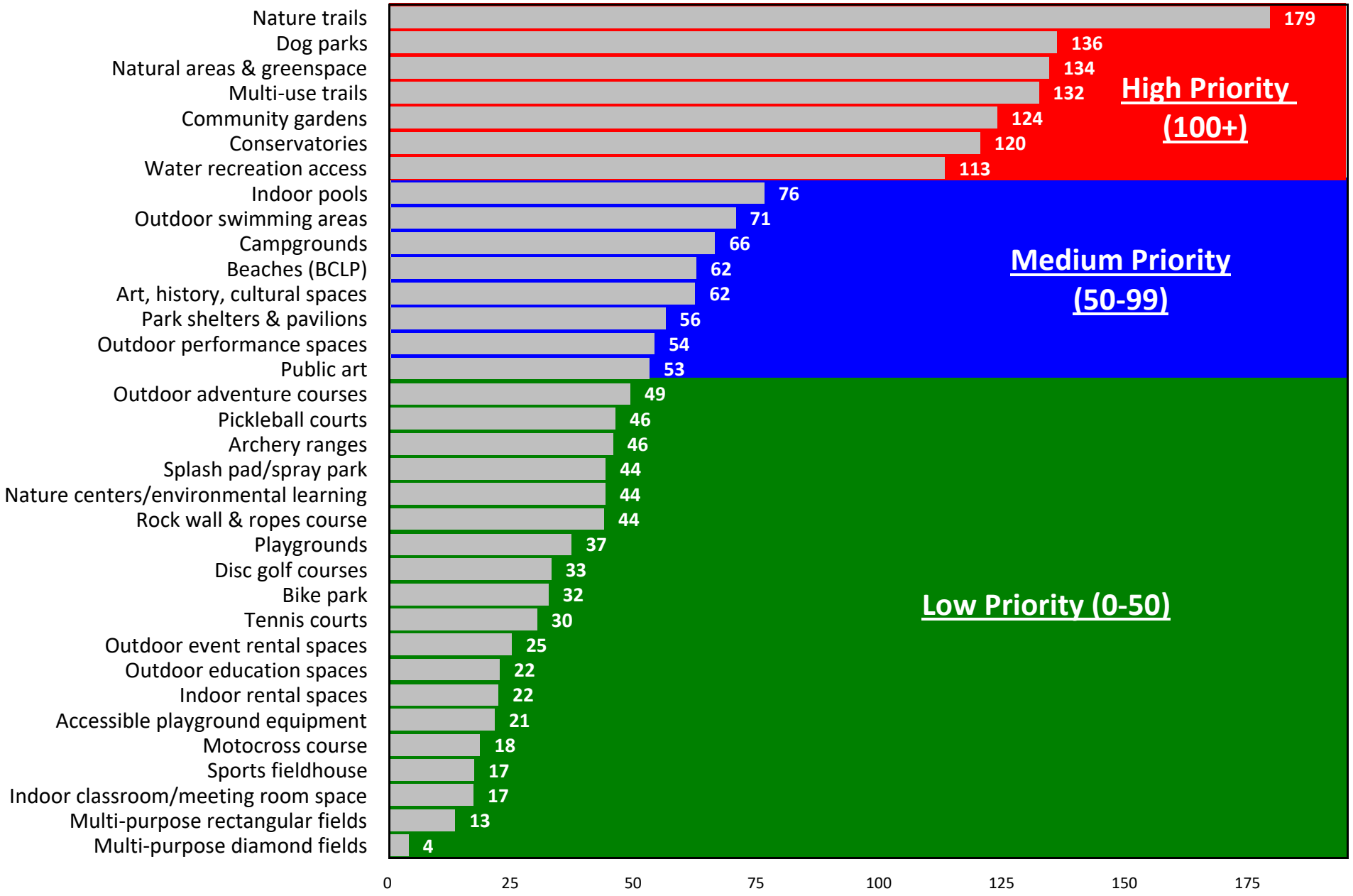

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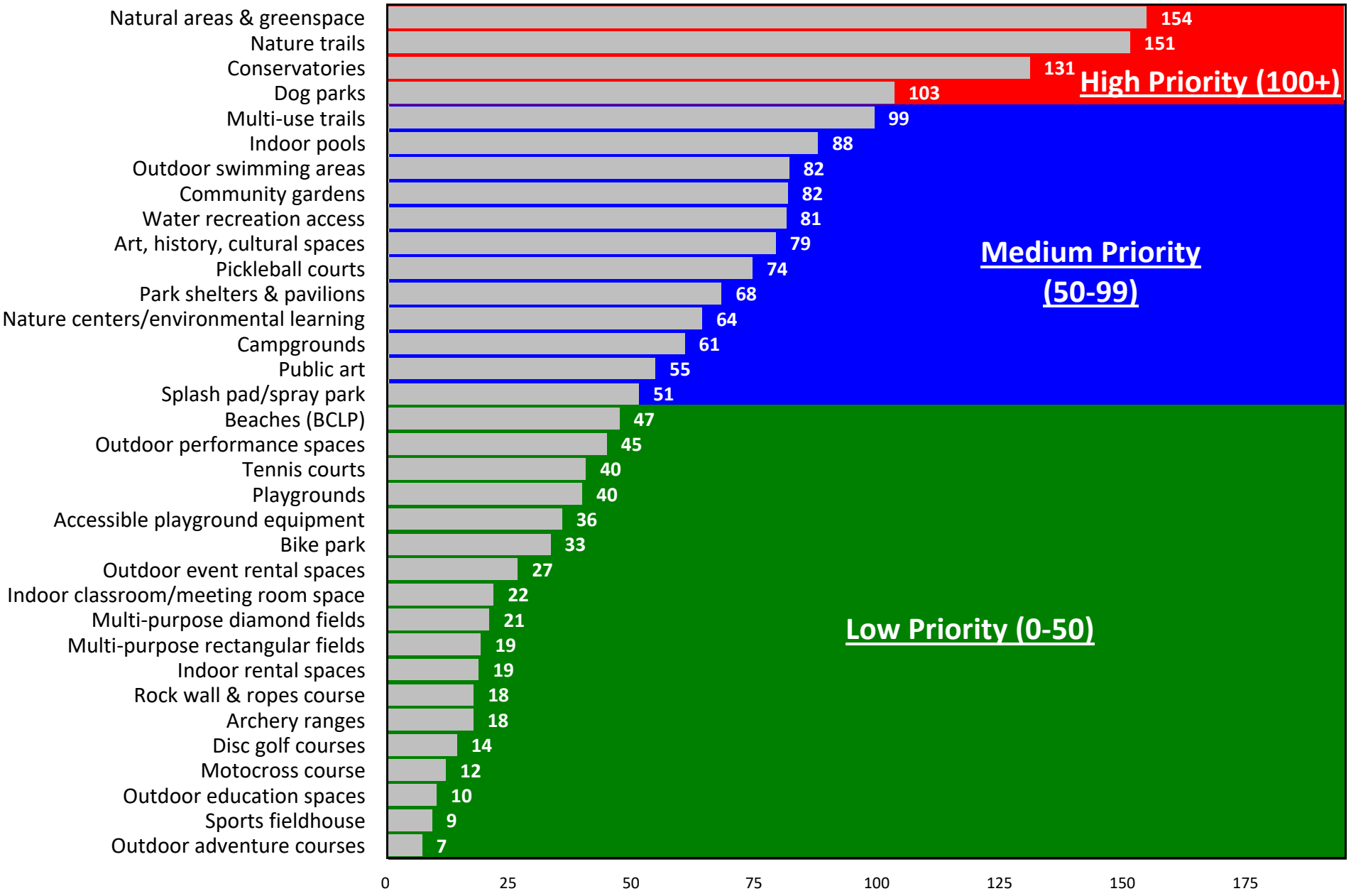

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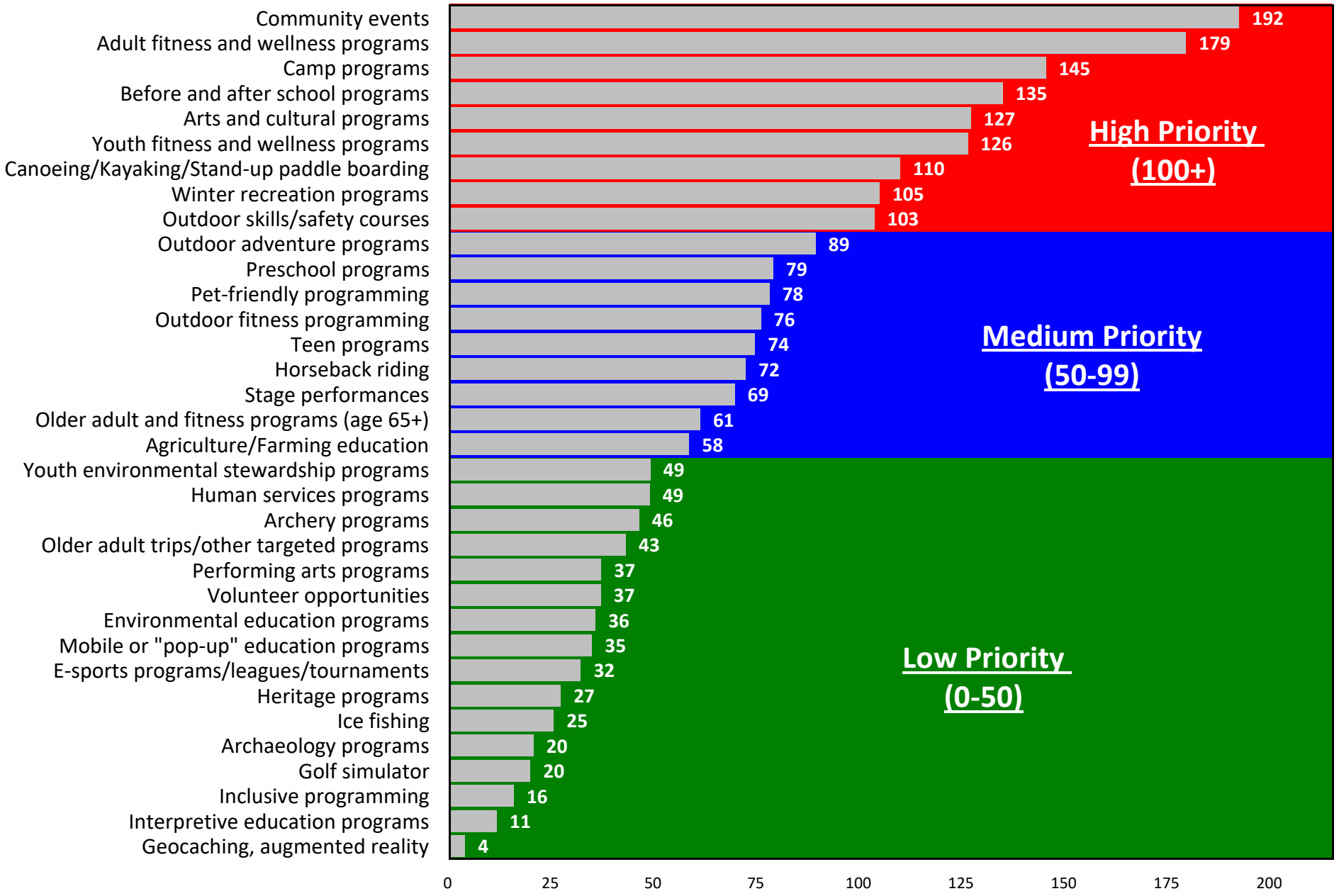

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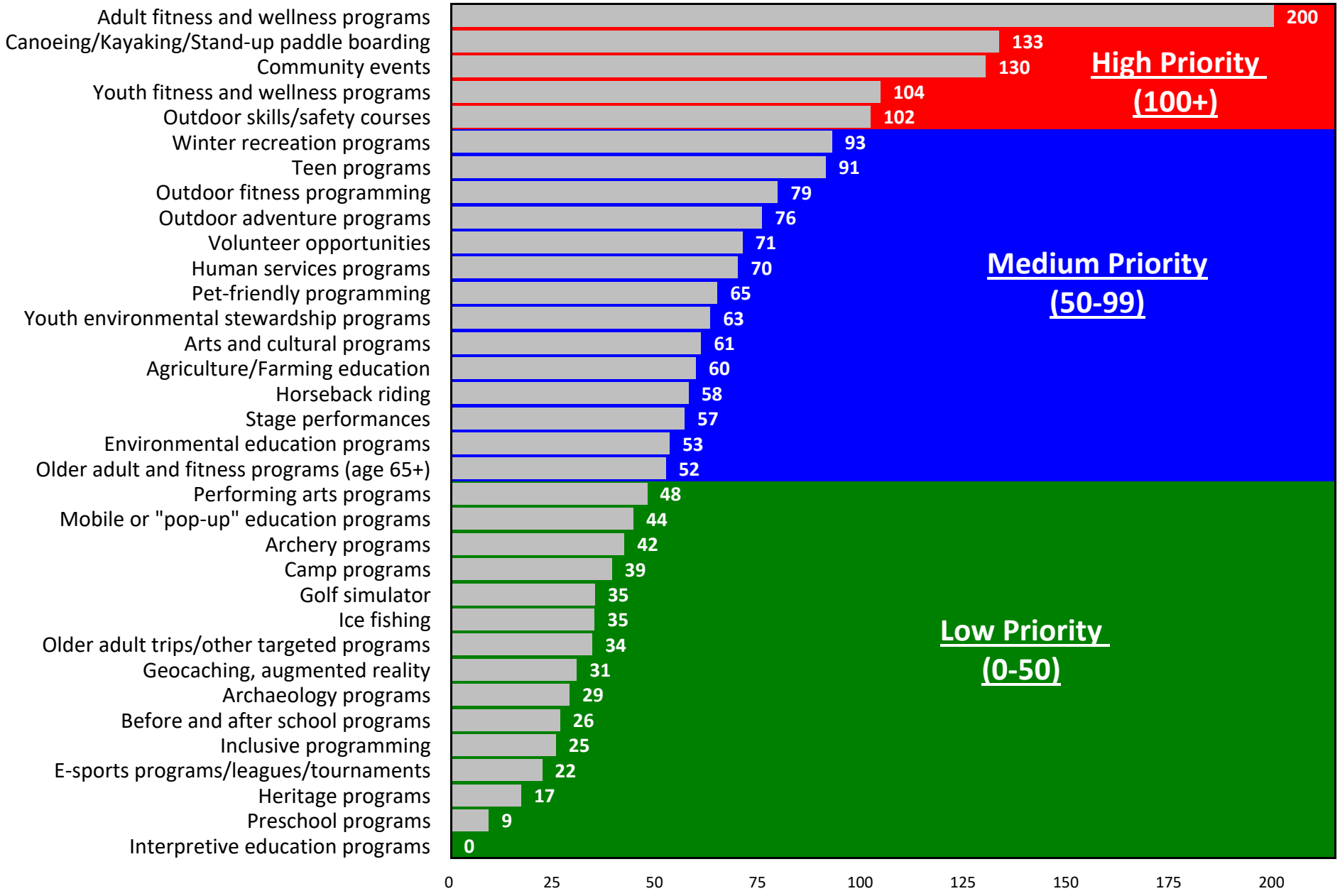

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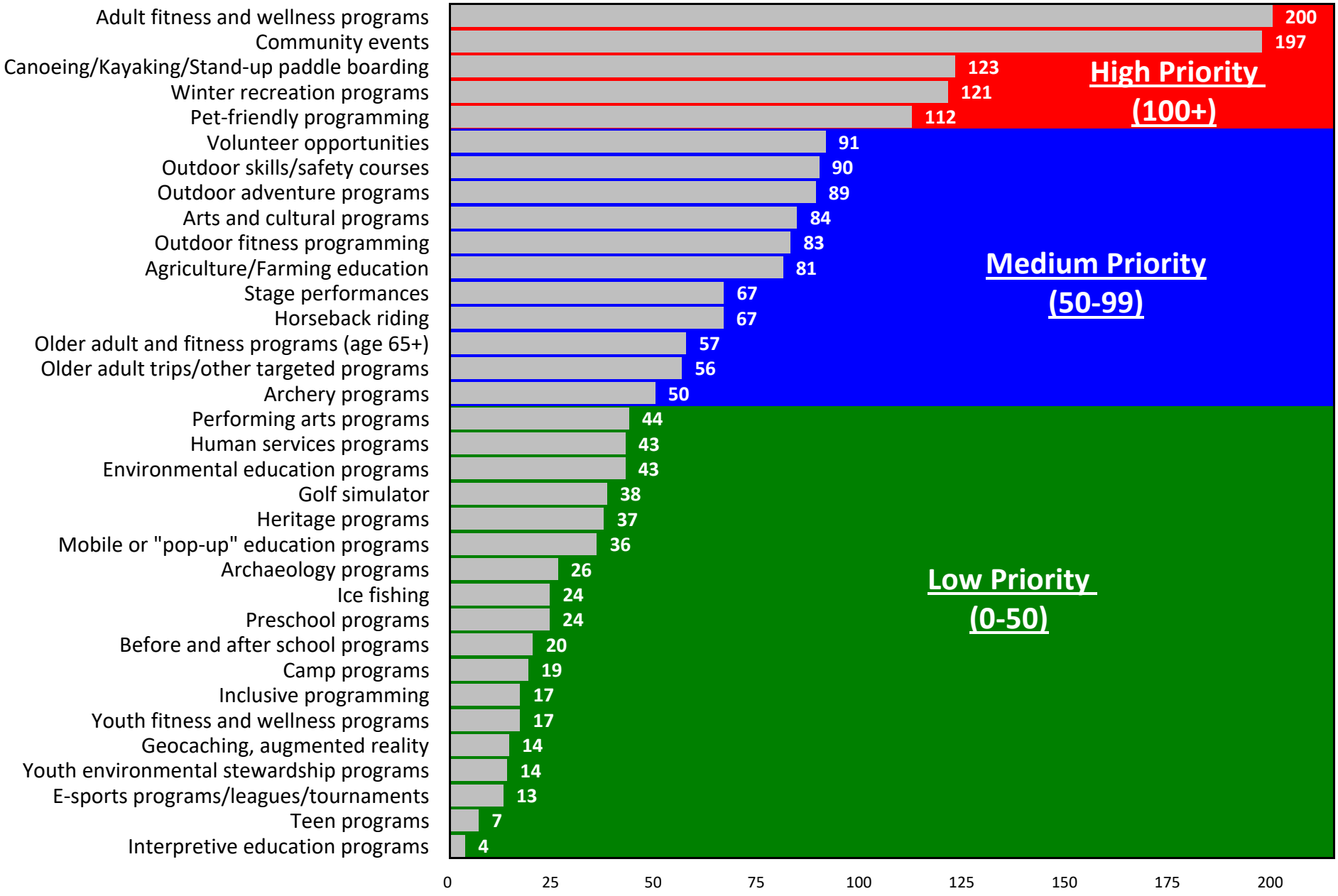

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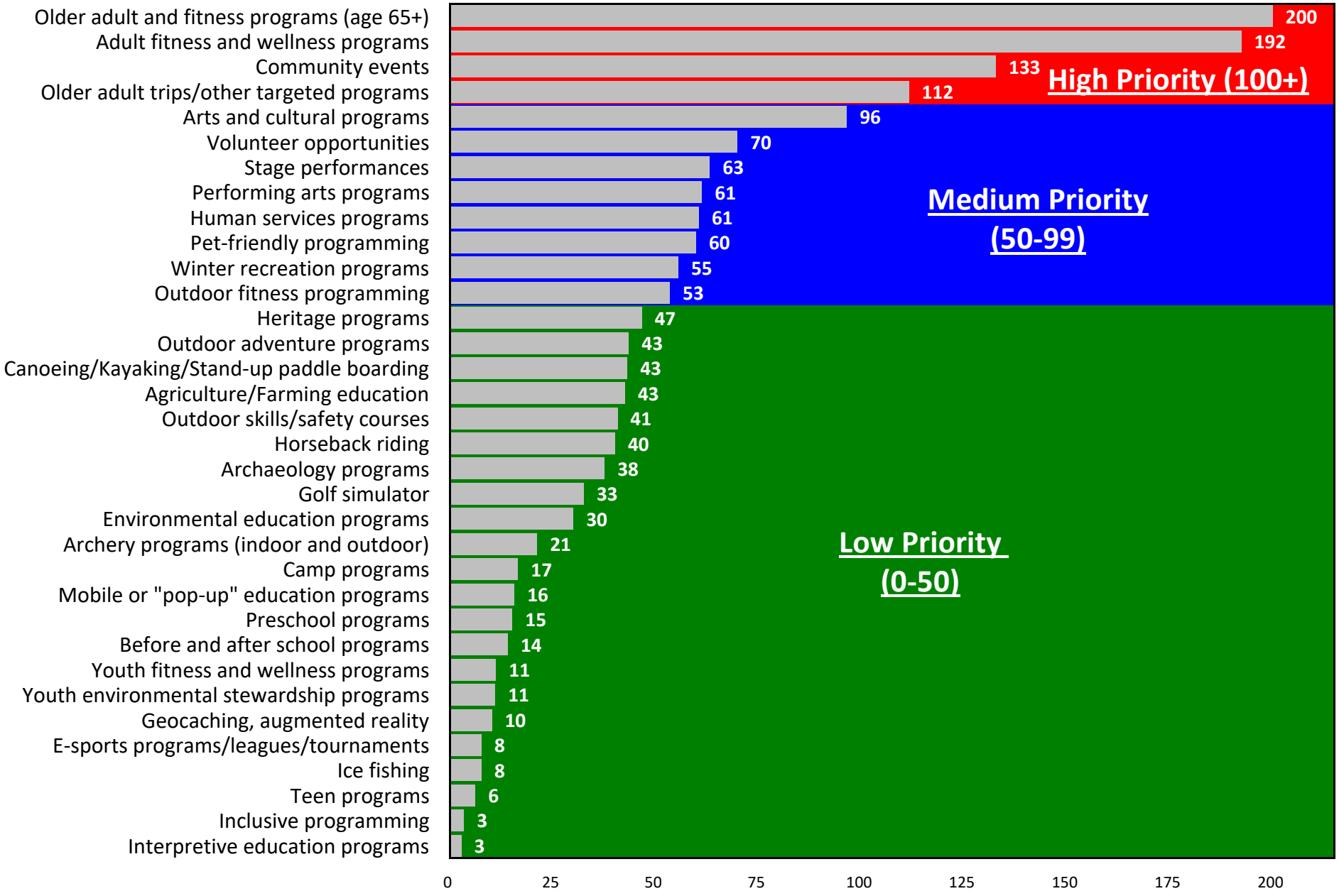

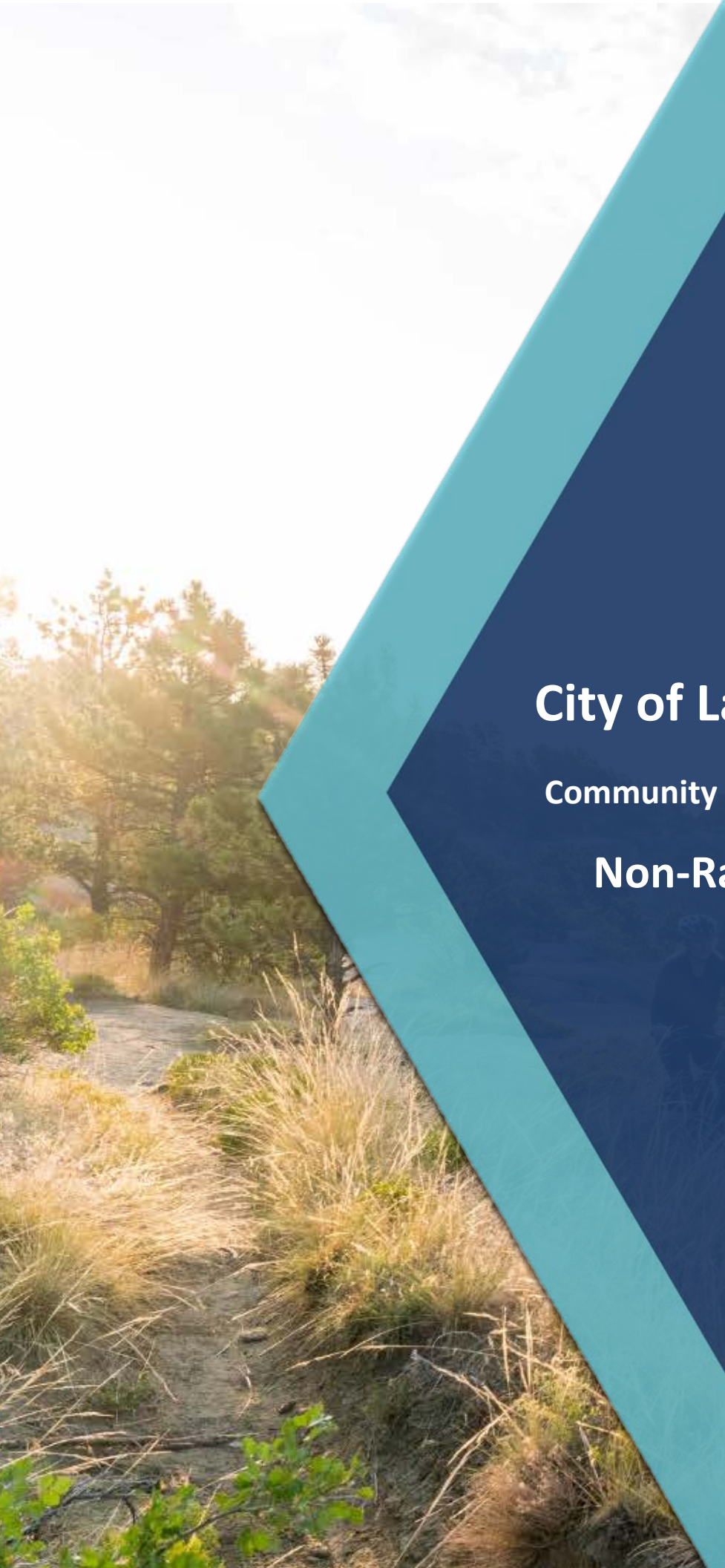

Appendix A3

# 2022

# City of Lakewood, Colorado

## Community Resources Department Survey

## Non-Random Survey Findings

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# 1 Tabular Results

## Q1. During a typical year, do you or any member of your household visit any City of Lakewood arts, parks, and recreation facilities?

| Q1. Does your household visit any City arts, parks, & recreation facilities during a typical year | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| Yes | 264 | 98.9 % |
| No | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Total | 267 | 100.0 % |

## Q2. During a typical year, do you or any member of your household participate in any arts, parks, and recreation programs or events offered and/or hosted by the City of Lakewood?

| Q2. Does your household participate in any City arts, parks, & recreation programs or events during a typical year | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| Yes | 210 | 78.7 % |
| No | 50 | 18.7 % |
| Not provided | 7 | 2.6 % |
| Total | 267 | 100.0 % |

**Q3. Please indicate whether you or members of your household use or are aware of each of the following services and programs offered by heritage, culture, and arts facilities.**

(N=267)

| | Use | Aware, but do not use | Not aware it was offered | Not provided |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Q3-1. Camp programs | 12.7% | 62.2% | 20.2% | 4.9% |
| Q3-2. Community events (Cider Days, Rockin' Block Party, Big Boom Bash) | 55.4% | 27.0% | 15.7% | 1.9% |
| Q3-3. Art & history | 34.5% | 44.6% | 16.1% | 4.9% |
| Q3-4. Heritage Lakewood Visitor's Center & Museum (historic preservation, tours, research, Lakewood's history) | 44.6% | 41.6% | 10.5% | 3.4% |
| Q3-5. Lakewood Cultural Center performances | 36.3% | 47.2% | 12.4% | 4.1% |
| Q3-6. Performing arts classes (dance, theater, music) | 16.9% | 63.7% | 14.6% | 4.9% |
| Q3-7. Public art | 41.9% | 37.5% | 16.1% | 4.5% |
| Q3-8. Rental spaces (meetings, celebrations, events) | 11.6% | 63.7% | 20.6% | 4.1% |
| Q3-9. Visual art classes (painting, drawing, ceramics, fibers) | 16.5% | 59.9% | 18.0% | 5.6% |
| Q3-10. Volunteer opportunities (ushers, docents, museum store, events) | 4.9% | 56.2% | 34.1% | 4.9% |
| Q3-11. Washington Heights Arts Center studios & classes | 12.4% | 39.3% | 41.6% | 6.7% |
| Q3-12. Special interest classes (culinary, calligraphy, soap making, blacksmithing) | 5.6% | 53.9% | 34.8% | 5.6% |

**WITHOUT "NOT PROVIDED"**

**Q3. Please indicate whether you or members of your household use or are aware of each of the following services and programs offered by heritage, culture, and arts facilities. (without "not provided")**

(N=267)

| | Use | Aware, but do not use | Not aware it was offered |
|---|---|---|---|
| Q3-1. Camp programs | 13.4% | 65.4% | 21.3% |
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| Q3-5. Lakewood Cultural Center performances | 37.9% | 49.2% | 12.9% |
| Q3-6. Performing arts classes (dance, theater, music) | 17.7% | 66.9% | 15.4% |
| Q3-7. Public art | 43.9% | 39.2% | 16.9% |
| Q3-8. Rental spaces (meetings, celebrations, events) | 12.1% | 66.4% | 21.5% |
| Q3-9. Visual art classes (painting, drawing, ceramics, fibers) | 17.5% | 63.5% | 19.0% |
| Q3-10. Volunteer opportunities (ushers, docents, museum store, events) | 5.1% | 59.1% | 35.8% |
| Q3-11. Washington Heights Arts Center studios & classes | 13.3% | 42.2% | 44.6% |
| Q3-12. Special interest classes (culinary, calligraphy, soap making, blacksmithing) | 6.0% | 57.1% | 36.9% |

## Q4. Which THREE of the following roles and services of the City's heritage, culture and arts programs are MOST IMPORTANT to you and members of your household?

| Q4. Which following roles & services of City's heritage, culture & arts programs are most important to your household | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| Provide opportunities to gather & celebrate | 99 | 37.1 % |
| Preserve & present local history | 92 | 34.5 % |
| Support local artists & art organizations | 89 | 33.3 % |
| Exposure to local/regional artists & performers | 76 | 28.5 % |
| Broaden exposure to arts, culture & history | 75 | 28.1 % |
| Provide inspiring & safe learning environments | 73 | 27.3 % |
| Provide access to culturally diverse programs & services | 71 | 26.6 % |
| Offer programs & services that allow for creative self-expression | 67 | 25.1 % |
| Contribute to local economy | 55 | 20.6 % |
| Exposure to national/international artists & performers | 33 | 12.4 % |
| Enhance local tourism | 33 | 12.4 % |
| Total | 763 | |

**Q6. Please indicate if you or any member of your household has a need for each of the parks and recreation facilities/amenities in Lakewood listed alphabetically below.**

(N=267)

| | Yes | No |
|---|---|---|
| Q6-1. Accessible playground equipment | 16.1% | 83.9% |
| Q6-2. Archery ranges | 15.4% | 84.6% |
| Q6-3. Art, history, cultural spaces | 42.3% | 57.7% |
| Q6-4. Beaches (BCLP) | 36.0% | 64.0% |
| Q6-5. Bike park (pump/skills track) | 33.0% | 67.0% |
| Q6-6. Campgrounds | 26.6% | 73.4% |
| Q6-7. Community gardens | 33.7% | 66.3% |
| Q6-8. Conservatories (e.g., botanical gardens, plant libraries, etc.) | 41.6% | 58.4% |
| Q6-9. Disc golf courses | 21.3% | 78.7% |
| Q6-10. Dog parks | 27.3% | 72.7% |
| Q6-11. Indoor rental spaces | 12.0% | 88.0% |
| Q6-12. Indoor classroom/meeting room space | 14.6% | 85.4% |
| Q6-13. Indoor pools | 49.1% | 50.9% |
| Q6-14. Motocross course | 2.6% | 97.4% |
| Q6-15. Multi-purpose diamond fields | 7.1% | 92.9% |
| Q6-16. Multi-purpose rectangular fields | 11.2% | 88.8% |
| Q6-17. Multi-use trails | 65.9% | 34.1% |
| Q6-18. Natural areas & greenspace | 75.3% | 24.7% |
| Q6-19. Nature centers/environmental learning centers | 37.5% | 62.5% |

**Q6. Please indicate if you or any member of your household has a need for each of the parks and recreation facilities/amenities in Lakewood listed alphabetically below.**

| | Yes | No |
|---|---|---|
| Q6-20. Nature trails (walking, running, hiking, etc.) | 80.1% | 19.9% |
| Q6-21. Outdoor adventure courses (Ninja Warrior) | 22.5% | 77.5% |
| Q6-22. Outdoor education spaces | 17.2% | 82.8% |
| Q6-23. Outdoor event rental spaces | 19.1% | 80.9% |
| Q6-24. Outdoor performance spaces | 29.6% | 70.4% |
| Q6-25. Outdoor swimming areas | 44.6% | 55.4% |
| Q6-26. Park shelters & pavilions | 44.9% | 55.1% |
| Q6-27. Pickleball courts | 21.3% | 78.7% |
| Q6-28. Playgrounds | 37.1% | 62.9% |
| Q6-29. Public art | 34.5% | 65.5% |
| Q6-30. Rock wall & ropes course | 24.3% | 75.7% |
| Q6-31. Splash pad/spray park | 31.8% | 68.2% |
| Q6-32. Sports fieldhouse | 10.5% | 89.5% |
| Q6-33. Tennis courts | 17.6% | 82.4% |
| Q6-34. Water recreation access (boat, kayak, canoe launches, fishing piers) | 40.4% | 59.6% |
| Q6-35. Other | 11.6% | 88.4% |

**Q6. If "Yes," please rate how well your need for facilities/amenities of this type is being met using a scale of 1 to 4, where 4 means "Needs Are Fully Met" and 1 means "Does Not Meet Needs" of your household.**

(N=267)

| | Fully met | Mostly met | Partly met | Not met |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Q6-1. Accessible playground equipment | 28.6% | 42.9% | 23.8% | 4.8% |
| Q6-2. Archery ranges | 6.3% | 25.0% | 21.9% | 46.9% |
| Q6-3. Art, history, cultural spaces | 28.9% | 42.3% | 24.7% | 4.1% |
| Q6-4. Beaches (BCLP) | 18.2% | 46.6% | 22.7% | 12.5% |
| Q6-5. Bike park (pump/skills track) | 10.7% | 18.7% | 29.3% | 41.3% |
| Q6-6. Campgrounds | 16.9% | 29.2% | 33.8% | 20.0% |
| Q6-7. Community gardens | 16.2% | 21.6% | 36.5% | 25.7% |
| Q6-8. Conservatories (e.g., botanical gardens, plant libraries, etc.) | 9.5% | 12.6% | 36.8% | 41.1% |
| Q6-9. Disc golf courses | 0.0% | 5.9% | 49.0% | 45.1% |
| Q6-10. Dog parks | 3.0% | 28.4% | 37.3% | 31.3% |
| Q6-11. Indoor rental spaces | 30.4% | 30.4% | 30.4% | 8.7% |
| Q6-12. Indoor classroom/meeting room space | 21.9% | 31.3% | 28.1% | 18.8% |
| Q6-13. Indoor pools | 30.3% | 38.7% | 22.7% | 8.4% |
| Q6-14. Motocross course | 28.6% | 14.3% | 0.0% | 57.1% |
| Q6-15. Multi-purpose diamond fields | 29.4% | 41.2% | 23.5% | 5.9% |
| Q6-16. Multi-purpose rectangular fields | 36.0% | 44.0% | 20.0% | 0.0% |
| Q6-17. Multi-use trails | 21.2% | 42.4% | 33.9% | 2.4% |
| Q6-18. Natural areas & greenspace | 25.5% | 45.7% | 22.9% | 5.9% |
| Q6-19. Nature centers/environmental learning centers | 14.0% | 26.7% | 36.0% | 23.3% |

**Q6. If "Yes," please rate how well your need for facilities/amenities of this type is being met using a scale of 1 to 4, where 4 means "Needs Are Fully Met" and 1 means "Does Not Meet Needs" of your household.**

| | Fully met | Mostly met | Partly met | Not met |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Q6-20. Nature trails (walking, running, hiking, etc.) | 27.1% | 38.7% | 31.2% | 3.0% |
| Q6-21. Outdoor adventure courses (Ninja Warrior) | 3.8% | 1.9% | 21.2% | 73.1% |
| Q6-22. Outdoor education spaces | 10.3% | 33.3% | 35.9% | 20.5% |
| Q6-23. Outdoor event rental spaces | 31.1% | 40.0% | 28.9% | 0.0% |
| Q6-24. Outdoor performance spaces | 26.6% | 42.2% | 28.1% | 3.1% |
| Q6-25. Outdoor swimming areas | 15.2% | 38.4% | 33.9% | 12.5% |
| Q6-26. Park shelters & pavilions | 39.6% | 35.8% | 24.5% | 0.0% |
| Q6-27. Pickleball courts | 4.4% | 17.8% | 44.4% | 33.3% |
| Q6-28. Playgrounds | 46.3% | 30.5% | 23.2% | 0.0% |
| Q6-29. Public art | 18.3% | 32.9% | 42.7% | 6.1% |
| Q6-30. Rock wall & ropes course | 5.3% | 14.0% | 29.8% | 50.9% |
| Q6-31. Splash pad/spray park | 18.7% | 28.0% | 36.0% | 17.3% |
| Q6-32. Sports fieldhouse | 7.4% | 7.4% | 33.3% | 51.9% |
| Q6-33. Tennis courts | 28.9% | 28.9% | 34.2% | 7.9% |
| Q6-34. Water recreation access (boat, kayak, canoe launches, fishing piers) | 14.7% | 35.8% | 36.8% | 12.6% |
| Q6-35. Other | 4.0% | 8.0% | 36.0% | 52.0% |

## Q7. Which FOUR facilities/amenities from the list in Question 6 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household?

| Q7. Top choice | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| Accessible playground equipment | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Archery ranges | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Art, history, cultural spaces | 11 | 4.1 % |
| Beaches (BCLP) | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Bike park (pump/skills track) | 11 | 4.1 % |
| Campgrounds | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Community gardens | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Conservatories (e.g., botanical gardens, plant libraries, etc.) | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Disc golf courses | 24 | 9.0 % |
| Dog parks | 13 | 4.9 % |
| Indoor classroom/meeting room space | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Indoor pools | 18 | 6.7 % |
| Multi-purpose diamond fields | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Multi-use trails | 23 | 8.6 % |
| Natural areas & greenspace | 33 | 12.4 % |
| Nature centers/environmental learning centers | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Nature trails (walking, running, hiking, etc.) | 42 | 15.7 % |
| Outdoor event rental spaces | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Outdoor performance spaces | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Outdoor swimming areas | 4 | 1.5 % |
| Pickleball courts | 5 | 1.9 % |
| Playgrounds | 20 | 7.5 % |
| Public art | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Splash pad/spray park | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Sports fieldhouse | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Tennis courts | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Water recreation access (boat, kayak, canoe launches, fishing piers) | 8 | 3.0 % |
| Other | 18 | 6.7 % |
| None chosen | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Total | 267 | 100.0 % |

## Q7. Which FOUR facilities/amenities from the list in Question 6 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household?

| Q7. 2nd choice | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| Accessible playground equipment | 5 | 1.9 % |
| Archery ranges | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Art, history, cultural spaces | 10 | 3.7 % |
| Beaches (BCLP) | 8 | 3.0 % |
| Bike park (pump/skills track) | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Campgrounds | 4 | 1.5 % |
| Community gardens | 8 | 3.0 % |
| Conservatories (e.g., botanical gardens, plant libraries, etc.) | 8 | 3.0 % |
| Disc golf courses | 4 | 1.5 % |
| Dog parks | 10 | 3.7 % |
| Indoor classroom/meeting room space | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Indoor pools | 14 | 5.2 % |
| Multi-use trails | 36 | 13.5 % |
| Natural areas & greenspace | 34 | 12.7 % |
| Nature centers/environmental learning centers | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Nature trails (walking, running, hiking, etc.) | 37 | 13.9 % |
| Outdoor adventure courses (Ninja Warrior) | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Outdoor performance spaces | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Outdoor swimming areas | 12 | 4.5 % |
| Park shelters & pavilions | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Pickleball courts | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Playgrounds | 16 | 6.0 % |
| Public art | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Rock wall & ropes course | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Tennis courts | 5 | 1.9 % |
| Water recreation access (boat, kayak, canoe launches, fishing piers) | 14 | 5.2 % |
| Other | 3 | 1.1 % |
| None chosen | 9 | 3.4 % |
| Total | 267 | 100.0 % |

## Q7. Which FOUR facilities/amenities from the list in Question 6 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household?

| Q7. 3rd choice | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| Accessible playground equipment | 4 | 1.5 % |
| Archery ranges | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Art, history, cultural spaces | 9 | 3.4 % |
| Beaches (BCLP) | 9 | 3.4 % |
| Bike park (pump/skills track) | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Campgrounds | 9 | 3.4 % |
| Community gardens | 5 | 1.9 % |
| Conservatories (e.g., botanical gardens, plant libraries, etc.) | 11 | 4.1 % |
| Disc golf courses | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Dog parks | 8 | 3.0 % |
| Indoor pools | 15 | 5.6 % |
| Motocross course | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Multi-purpose rectangular fields | 5 | 1.9 % |
| Multi-use trails | 30 | 11.2 % |
| Natural areas & greenspace | 27 | 10.1 % |
| Nature centers/environmental learning centers | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Nature trails (walking, running, hiking, etc.) | 33 | 12.4 % |
| Outdoor adventure courses (Ninja Warrior) | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Outdoor performance spaces | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Outdoor swimming areas | 14 | 5.2 % |
| Park shelters & pavilions | 5 | 1.9 % |
| Pickleball courts | 8 | 3.0 % |
| Playgrounds | 7 | 2.6 % |
| Public art | 4 | 1.5 % |
| Splash pad/spray park | 7 | 2.6 % |
| Sports fieldhouse | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Tennis courts | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Water recreation access (boat, kayak, canoe launches, fishing piers) | 15 | 5.6 % |
| None chosen | 14 | 5.2 % |
| Total | 267 | 100.0 % |

## Q7. Which FOUR facilities/amenities from the list in Question 6 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household?

| Q7. 4th choice | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| Accessible playground equipment | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Archery ranges | 4 | 1.5 % |
| Art, history, cultural spaces | 11 | 4.1 % |
| Beaches (BCLP) | 8 | 3.0 % |
| Bike park (pump/skills track) | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Campgrounds | 7 | 2.6 % |
| Community gardens | 10 | 3.7 % |
| Conservatories (e.g., botanical gardens, plant libraries, etc.) | 10 | 3.7 % |
| Dog parks | 7 | 2.6 % |
| Indoor rental spaces | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Indoor classroom/meeting room space | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Indoor pools | 8 | 3.0 % |
| Motocross course | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Multi-purpose diamond fields | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Multi-purpose rectangular fields | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Multi-use trails | 16 | 6.0 % |
| Natural areas & greenspace | 25 | 9.4 % |
| Nature centers/environmental learning centers | 10 | 3.7 % |
| Nature trails (walking, running, hiking, etc.) | 29 | 10.9 % |
| Outdoor adventure courses (Ninja Warrior) | 5 | 1.9 % |
| Outdoor education spaces | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Outdoor event rental spaces | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Outdoor performance spaces | 7 | 2.6 % |
| Outdoor swimming areas | 8 | 3.0 % |
| Park shelters & pavilions | 12 | 4.5 % |
| Pickleball courts | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Playgrounds | 10 | 3.7 % |
| Public art | 5 | 1.9 % |
| Rock wall & ropes course | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Splash pad/spray park | 10 | 3.7 % |
| Sports fieldhouse | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Tennis courts | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Water recreation access (boat, kayak, canoe launches, fishing piers) | 7 | 2.6 % |
| Other | 5 | 1.9 % |
| None chosen | 27 | 10.1 % |
| Total | 267 | 100.0 % |

## Q7. Which FOUR facilities/amenities from the list in Question 6 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household? (top 4)

| Q7. Top choice | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| Accessible playground equipment | 12 | 4.5 % |
| Archery ranges | 9 | 3.4 % |
| Art, history, cultural spaces | 41 | 15.4 % |
| Beaches (BCLP) | 31 | 11.6 % |
| Bike park (pump/skills track) | 23 | 8.6 % |
| Campgrounds | 23 | 8.6 % |
| Community gardens | 29 | 10.9 % |
| Conservatories (e.g., botanical gardens, plant libraries, etc.) | 31 | 11.6 % |
| Disc golf courses | 31 | 11.6 % |
| Dog parks | 38 | 14.2 % |
| Indoor rental spaces | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Indoor classroom/meeting room space | 7 | 2.6 % |
| Indoor pools | 55 | 20.6 % |
| Motocross course | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Multi-purpose diamond fields | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Multi-purpose rectangular fields | 7 | 2.6 % |
| Multi-use trails | 105 | 39.3 % |
| Natural areas & greenspace | 119 | 44.6 % |
| Nature centers/environmental learning centers | 19 | 7.1 % |
| Nature trails (walking, running, hiking, etc.) | 141 | 52.8 % |
| Outdoor adventure courses (Ninja Warrior) | 11 | 4.1 % |
| Outdoor education spaces | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Outdoor event rental spaces | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Outdoor performance spaces | 15 | 5.6 % |
| Outdoor swimming areas | 38 | 14.2 % |
| Park shelters & pavilions | 19 | 7.1 % |
| Pickleball courts | 22 | 8.2 % |
| Playgrounds | 53 | 19.9 % |
| Public art | 12 | 4.5 % |
| Rock wall & ropes course | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Splash pad/spray park | 18 | 6.7 % |
| Sports fieldhouse | 7 | 2.6 % |
| Tennis courts | 11 | 4.1 % |
| Water recreation access (boat, kayak, canoe launches, fishing piers) | 44 | 16.5 % |
| Other | 26 | 9.7 % |
| None chosen | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Total | 1018 | |

**Q8. Please indicate if you or any member of your household has a need for each of the programs in Lakewood listed below.**

(N=267)

| | Yes | No |
|---|---|---|
| Q8-1. Adult fitness & wellness programs | 59.9% | 40.1% |
| Q8-2. Agriculture/farming education | 16.5% | 83.5% |
| Q8-3. Archaeology programs | 9.7% | 90.3% |
| Q8-4. Archery programs (indoor & outdoor) | 15.7% | 84.3% |
| Q8-5. Arts & cultural programs | 46.4% | 53.6% |
| Q8-6. Before & after school programs | 17.6% | 82.4% |
| Q8-7. Camp programs | 20.2% | 79.8% |
| Q8-8. Canoeing/kayaking/stand-up paddle boarding | 33.0% | 67.0% |
| Q8-9. Community events (concerts, festivals, races, walks) | 52.8% | 47.2% |
| Q8-10. Environmental education programs | 21.3% | 78.7% |
| Q8-11. eSports programs/leagues/ tournaments | 6.4% | 93.6% |
| Q8-12. Geocaching, augmented reality | 6.4% | 93.6% |
| Q8-13. Golf simulator | 8.6% | 91.4% |
| Q8-14. Heritage programs | 12.7% | 87.3% |
| Q8-15. Horseback riding | 14.2% | 85.8% |
| Q8-16. Human services programs (e.g., transportation, meals, education, resource referral) | 9.7% | 90.3% |
| Q8-17. Ice fishing | 4.1% | 95.9% |
| Q8-18. Inclusive programming | 8.2% | 91.8% |

**Q8. Please indicate if you or any member of your household has a need for each of the programs in Lakewood listed below.**

| | Yes | No |
|---|---|---|
| Q8-19. Interpretive education programs | 4.9% | 95.1% |
| Q8-20. Mobile or "pop-up" education programs (i.e., programming brought directly to neighborhoods) | 12.0% | 88.0% |
| Q8-21. Older adult & fitness programs (age 65+) | 20.2% | 79.8% |
| Q8-22. Older adult trips/other targeted older adult programs | 13.5% | 86.5% |
| Q8-23. Outdoor adventure programs | 26.2% | 73.8% |
| Q8-24. Outdoor fitness programming | 22.8% | 77.2% |
| Q8-25. Outdoor skills/safety courses (survival skills, wilderness first aid, etc.) | 21.3% | 78.7% |
| Q8-26. Performing arts programs | 29.6% | 70.4% |
| Q8-27. Pet-friendly programming | 19.9% | 80.1% |
| Q8-28. Preschool programs | 11.2% | 88.8% |
| Q8-29. Stage performances (music, dance, theater) | 26.6% | 73.4% |
| Q8-30. Teen programs | 11.6% | 88.4% |
| Q8-31. Volunteer opportunities | 21.7% | 78.3% |
| Q8-32. Winter recreation programs (e.g., tubing, cross country skiing, etc.) | 30.0% | 70.0% |
| Q8-33. Youth environmental stewardship programs | 13.1% | 86.9% |
| Q8-34. Youth fitness & wellness programs | 17.2% | 82.8% |
| Q8-35. Other | 6.4% | 93.6% |

**Q8. If "Yes," please rate how well your need for programs of this type are being met using a scale of 1 to 4, where 4 means "Needs Are Fully Met" and 1 means "Does Not Meet Needs" of your household.**

(N=252)

| | Fully met | Mostly met | Partly met | Not met |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Q8-1. Adult fitness & wellness programs | 10.1% | 40.3% | 36.7% | 12.9% |
| Q8-2. Agriculture/farming education | 0.0% | 11.4% | 25.7% | 62.9% |
| Q8-3. Archaeology programs | 0.0% | 0.0% | 10.5% | 89.5% |
| Q8-4. Archery programs (indoor & outdoor) | 2.9% | 20.0% | 25.7% | 51.4% |
| Q8-5. Arts & cultural programs | 15.7% | 50.4% | 32.2% | 1.7% |
| Q8-6. Before & after school programs | 5.6% | 16.7% | 44.4% | 33.3% |
| Q8-7. Camp programs | 0.0% | 37.2% | 39.5% | 23.3% |
| Q8-8. Canoeing/kayaking/stand-up paddle boarding | 13.2% | 34.2% | 30.3% | 22.4% |
| Q8-9. Community events (concerts, festivals, races, walks) | 16.5% | 38.6% | 37.8% | 7.1% |
| Q8-10. Environmental education programs | 2.1% | 29.2% | 35.4% | 33.3% |
| Q8-11. eSports programs/leagues/ tournaments | 14.3% | 14.3% | 42.9% | 28.6% |
| Q8-12. Geocaching, augmented reality | 0.0% | 28.6% | 28.6% | 42.9% |
| Q8-13. Golf simulator | 0.0% | 9.1% | 9.1% | 81.8% |
| Q8-14. Heritage programs | 10.0% | 50.0% | 33.3% | 6.7% |
| Q8-15. Horseback riding | 0.0% | 6.1% | 36.4% | 57.6% |
| Q8-16. Human services programs (e.g., transportation, meals, education, resource referral) | 13.6% | 27.3% | 50.0% | 9.1% |
| Q8-17. Ice fishing | 0.0% | 10.0% | 30.0% | 60.0% |
| Q8-18. Inclusive programming | 0.0% | 26.3% | 31.6% | 42.1% |

**Q8. If "Yes," please rate how well your need for programs of this type are being met using a scale of 1 to 4, where 4 means "Needs Are Fully Met" and 1 means "Does Not Meet Needs" of your household.**

| | Fully met | Mostly met | Partly met | Not met |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Q8-19. Interpretive education programs | 8.3% | 41.7% | 16.7% | 33.3% |
| Q8-20. Mobile or "pop-up" education programs (i.e., programming brought directly to neighborhoods) | 0.0% | 3.7% | 22.2% | 74.1% |
| Q8-21. Older adult & fitness programs (age 65+) | 8.0% | 42.0% | 38.0% | 12.0% |
| Q8-22. Older adult trips/other targeted older adult programs | 0.0% | 21.4% | 39.3% | 39.3% |
| Q8-23. Outdoor adventure programs | 1.7% | 15.3% | 52.5% | 30.5% |
| Q8-24. Outdoor fitness programming | 6.4% | 19.1% | 51.1% | 23.4% |
| Q8-25. Outdoor skills/safety courses (survival skills, wilderness first aid, etc.) | 0.0% | 8.7% | 30.4% | 60.9% |
| Q8-26. Performing arts programs | 10.4% | 55.2% | 29.9% | 4.5% |
| Q8-27. Pet-friendly programming | 0.0% | 10.9% | 32.6% | 56.5% |
| Q8-28. Preschool programs | 0.0% | 0.0% | 40.0% | 60.0% |
| Q8-29. Stage performances (music, dance, theater) | 14.0% | 45.6% | 38.6% | 1.8% |
| Q8-30. Teen programs | 0.0% | 0.0% | 34.8% | 65.2% |
| Q8-31. Volunteer opportunities | 7.0% | 27.9% | 44.2% | 20.9% |
| Q8-32. Winter recreation programs (e.g., tubing, cross country skiing, etc.) | 0.0% | 9.8% | 23.0% | 67.2% |
| Q8-33. Youth environmental stewardship programs | 3.6% | 10.7% | 39.3% | 46.4% |
| Q8-34. Youth fitness & wellness programs | 2.5% | 27.5% | 37.5% | 32.5% |
| Q8-35. Other | 0.0% | 0.0% | 43.8% | 56.3% |

## Q9. Which FOUR programs from the list in Question 8 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household?

| Q9. Top choice | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| Adult fitness & wellness programs | 50 | 18.7 % |
| Agriculture/farming education | 4 | 1.5 % |
| Archery programs (indoor & outdoor) | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Arts & cultural programs | 21 | 7.9 % |
| Before & after school programs | 8 | 3.0 % |
| Camp programs | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Canoeing/kayaking/stand-up paddle boarding | 16 | 6.0 % |
| Community events (concerts, festivals, races, walks) | 23 | 8.6 % |
| Environmental education programs | 3 | 1.1 % |
| eSports programs/leagues/tournaments | 5 | 1.9 % |
| Geocaching, augmented reality | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Golf simulator | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Horseback riding | 9 | 3.4 % |
| Human services programs (e.g., transportation, meals, education, resource referral) | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Ice fishing | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Inclusive programming | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Interpretive education programs | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Older adult & fitness programs (age 65+) | 11 | 4.1 % |
| Older adult trips/other targeted older adult programs | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Outdoor adventure programs | 5 | 1.9 % |
| Outdoor fitness programming | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Outdoor skills/safety courses (survival skills, wilderness first aid, etc.) | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Performing arts programs | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Pet-friendly programming | 9 | 3.4 % |
| Preschool programs | 8 | 3.0 % |
| Stage performances (music, dance, theater) | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Teen programs | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Volunteer opportunities | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Winter recreation programs (e.g., tubing, cross country skiing, etc.) | 4 | 1.5 % |
| Youth environmental stewardship programs | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Youth fitness & wellness programs | 12 | 4.5 % |
| Other | 9 | 3.4 % |
| None chosen | 30 | 11.2 % |
| Total | 267 | 100.0 % |

## Q9. Which FOUR programs from the list in Question 8 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household?

| Q9. 2nd choice | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| Adult fitness & wellness programs | 26 | 9.7 % |
| Agriculture/farming education | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Archery programs (indoor & outdoor) | 4 | 1.5 % |
| Arts & cultural programs | 18 | 6.7 % |
| Before & after school programs | 8 | 3.0 % |
| Camp programs | 8 | 3.0 % |
| Canoeing/kayaking/stand-up paddle boarding | 15 | 5.6 % |
| Community events (concerts, festivals, races, walks) | 24 | 9.0 % |
| Environmental education programs | 4 | 1.5 % |
| eSports programs/leagues/tournaments | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Geocaching, augmented reality | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Golf simulator | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Heritage programs | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Horseback riding | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Human services programs (e.g., transportation, meals, education, resource referral) | 5 | 1.9 % |
| Ice fishing | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Inclusive programming | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Mobile or "pop-up" education programs (i.e., programming brought directly to neighborhoods) | 4 | 1.5 % |
| Older adult & fitness programs (age 65+) | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Older adult trips/other targeted older adult programs | 8 | 3.0 % |
| Outdoor adventure programs | 5 | 1.9 % |
| Outdoor fitness programming | 4 | 1.5 % |
| Outdoor skills/safety courses (survival skills, wilderness first aid, etc.) | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Performing arts programs | 10 | 3.7 % |
| Pet-friendly programming | 5 | 1.9 % |
| Preschool programs | 5 | 1.9 % |
| Stage performances (music, dance, theater) | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Teen programs | 7 | 2.6 % |
| Volunteer opportunities | 8 | 3.0 % |
| Winter recreation programs (e.g., tubing, cross country skiing, etc.) | 4 | 1.5 % |
| Youth environmental stewardship programs | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Youth fitness & wellness programs | 7 | 2.6 % |
| Other | 1 | 0.4 % |
| None chosen | 46 | 17.2 % |
| Total | 267 | 100.0 % |

## Q9. Which FOUR programs from the list in Question 8 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household?

| Q9. 3rd choice | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| Adult fitness & wellness programs | 8 | 3.0 % |
| Agriculture/farming education | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Archaeology programs | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Archery programs (indoor & outdoor) | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Arts & cultural programs | 10 | 3.7 % |
| Before & after school programs | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Camp programs | 9 | 3.4 % |
| Canoeing/kayaking/stand-up paddle boarding | 8 | 3.0 % |
| Community events (concerts, festivals, races, walks) | 24 | 9.0 % |
| Environmental education programs | 8 | 3.0 % |
| eSports programs/leagues/tournaments | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Geocaching, augmented reality | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Golf simulator | 4 | 1.5 % |
| Heritage programs | 5 | 1.9 % |
| Human services programs (e.g., transportation, meals, education, resource referral) | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Inclusive programming | 4 | 1.5 % |
| Interpretive education programs | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Mobile or "pop-up" education programs (i.e., programming brought directly to neighborhoods) | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Older adult & fitness programs (age 65+) | 10 | 3.7 % |
| Older adult trips/other targeted older adult programs | 7 | 2.6 % |
| Outdoor adventure programs | 5 | 1.9 % |
| Outdoor fitness programming | 11 | 4.1 % |
| Outdoor skills/safety courses (survival skills, wilderness first aid, etc.) | 7 | 2.6 % |
| Performing arts programs | 8 | 3.0 % |
| Pet-friendly programming | 7 | 2.6 % |
| Preschool programs | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Stage performances (music, dance, theater) | 9 | 3.4 % |
| Teen programs | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Volunteer opportunities | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Winter recreation programs (e.g., tubing, cross country skiing, etc.) | 13 | 4.9 % |
| Youth environmental stewardship programs | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Youth fitness & wellness programs | 10 | 3.7 % |
| Other | 3 | 1.1 % |
| None chosen | 58 | 21.7 % |
| Total | 267 | 100.0 % |

## Q9. Which FOUR programs from the list in Question 8 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household?

| Q9. 4th choice | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| Adult fitness & wellness programs | 10 | 3.7 % |
| Agriculture/farming education | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Archaeology programs | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Archery programs (indoor & outdoor) | 4 | 1.5 % |
| Arts & cultural programs | 17 | 6.4 % |
| Camp programs | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Canoeing/kayaking/stand-up paddle boarding | 7 | 2.6 % |
| Community events (concerts, festivals, races, walks) | 13 | 4.9 % |
| Environmental education programs | 7 | 2.6 % |
| eSports programs/leagues/tournaments | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Golf simulator | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Heritage programs | 5 | 1.9 % |
| Horseback riding | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Human services programs (e.g., transportation, meals, education, resource referral) | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Inclusive programming | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Mobile or "pop-up" education programs (i.e., programming brought directly to neighborhoods) | 1 | 0.4 % |
| Older adult & fitness programs (age 65+) | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Older adult trips/other targeted older adult programs | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Outdoor adventure programs | 8 | 3.0 % |
| Outdoor fitness programming | 7 | 2.6 % |
| Outdoor skills/safety courses (survival skills, wilderness first aid, etc.) | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Performing arts programs | 11 | 4.1 % |
| Pet-friendly programming | 9 | 3.4 % |
| Preschool programs | 4 | 1.5 % |
| Stage performances (music, dance, theater) | 12 | 4.5 % |
| Teen programs | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Volunteer opportunities | 11 | 4.1 % |
| Winter recreation programs (e.g., tubing, cross country skiing, etc.) | 9 | 3.4 % |
| Youth environmental stewardship programs | 4 | 1.5 % |
| Youth fitness & wellness programs | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Other | 4 | 1.5 % |
| None chosen | 77 | 28.8 % |
| Total | 267 | 100.0 % |

## Q9. Which FOUR programs from the list in Question 8 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household? (top 4)

| Q9. Top choice | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| Adult fitness & wellness programs | 94 | 35.2 % |
| Agriculture/farming education | 15 | 5.6 % |
| Archaeology programs | 4 | 1.5 % |
| Archery programs (indoor & outdoor) | 17 | 6.4 % |
| Arts & cultural programs | 66 | 24.7 % |
| Before & after school programs | 22 | 8.2 % |
| Camp programs | 29 | 10.9 % |
| Canoeing/kayaking/stand-up paddle boarding | 46 | 17.2 % |
| Community events (concerts, festivals, races, walks) | 84 | 31.5 % |
| Environmental education programs | 22 | 8.2 % |
| eSports programs/leagues/tournaments | 9 | 3.4 % |
| Geocaching, augmented reality | 5 | 1.9 % |
| Golf simulator | 11 | 4.1 % |
| Heritage programs | 12 | 4.5 % |
| Horseback riding | 15 | 5.6 % |
| Human services programs (e.g., transportation, meals, education, resource referral) | 15 | 5.6 % |
| Ice fishing | 3 | 1.1 % |
| Inclusive programming | 9 | 3.4 % |
| Interpretive education programs | 2 | 0.7 % |
| Mobile or "pop-up" education programs (i.e., programming brought directly to neighborhoods) | 6 | 2.2 % |
| Older adult & fitness programs (age 65+) | 33 | 12.4 % |
| Older adult trips/other targeted older adult programs | 22 | 8.2 % |
| Outdoor adventure programs | 23 | 8.6 % |
| Outdoor fitness programming | 25 | 9.4 % |
| Outdoor skills/safety courses (survival skills, wilderness first aid, etc.) | 22 | 8.2 % |
| Performing arts programs | 35 | 13.1 % |
| Pet-friendly programming | 30 | 11.2 % |
| Preschool programs | 20 | 7.5 % |
| Stage performances (music, dance, theater) | 30 | 11.2 % |
| Teen programs | 14 | 5.2 % |
| Volunteer opportunities | 23 | 8.6 % |
| Winter recreation programs (e.g., tubing, cross country skiing, etc.) | 30 | 11.2 % |
| Youth environmental stewardship programs | 12 | 4.5 % |
| Youth fitness & wellness programs | 35 | 13.1 % |
| Other | 17 | 6.4 % |
| None chosen | 30 | 11.2 % |
| Total | 887 | |

**Q10. Please rate your level of agreement with the following statements by circling the corresponding number.**

(N=267)

| | Strongly agree | Agree | Neutral | Disagree | Strongly disagree | Don't know |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Q10-1. Help to attract new residents & businesses | 20.6% | 32.6% | 26.6% | 5.2% | 3.7% | 11.2% |
| Q10-2. Help to reduce crime in my neighborhood & keep kids out of trouble | 21.3% | 36.7% | 23.2% | 4.9% | 3.0% | 10.9% |
| Q10-3. Improve my (my household's) mental health & reduces stress | 40.8% | 42.7% | 8.6% | 1.1% | 1.5% | 5.2% |
| Q10-4. Improve my (my household's) physical health & fitness | 37.8% | 45.3% | 9.7% | 0.7% | 0.7% | 5.6% |
| Q10-5. Are age-friendly & accessible to all age groups | 24.7% | 38.2% | 22.1% | 4.5% | 1.5% | 9.0% |
| Q10-6. Offer childhood education opportunities to develop whole child | 15.7% | 25.8% | 25.5% | 2.2% | 0.7% | 30.0% |
| Q10-7. Positively impact economic/ business development | 20.2% | 39.7% | 19.1% | 2.2% | 1.5% | 17.2% |
| Q10-8. Preserve open space & protect the environment | 39.7% | 40.8% | 7.9% | 3.0% | 0.7% | 7.9% |
| Q10-9. Provide access to greenspace & nature, or playgrounds | 41.2% | 43.8% | 6.4% | 1.1% | 0.4% | 7.1% |

**Q10. Please rate your level of agreement with the following statements by circling the corresponding number.**

| | Strongly agree | Agree | Neutral | Disagree | Strongly disagree | Don't know |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Q10-10. Provide access to transportation (e.g., sidewalks, bikeways, trails, public transit) | 22.8% | 40.1% | 13.9% | 8.6% | 2.6% | 12.0% |
| Q10-11. Provide information & assistance in navigating resources & social services | 10.1% | 24.3% | 25.8% | 6.0% | 0.4% | 33.3% |
| Q10-12. Provide jobs/ professional development for youth | 10.5% | 23.6% | 26.2% | 3.7% | 1.5% | 34.5% |
| Q10-13. Provide positive social interactions for me (my household/family) | 23.6% | 49.4% | 14.6% | 2.6% | 0.4% | 9.4% |
| Q10-14. Provide preservation of historic structures & resources | 22.5% | 41.2% | 16.9% | 1.9% | 0.7% | 16.9% |

**WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW"**

**Q10. Please rate your level of agreement with the following statements by circling the corresponding number. (without "don't know")**

(N=267)

| | Strongly agree | Agree | Neutral | Disagree | Strongly disagree |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Q10-1. Help to attract new residents & businesses | 23.2% | 36.7% | 30.0% | 5.9% | 4.2% |
| Q10-2. Help to reduce crime in my neighborhood & keep kids out of trouble | 23.9% | 41.2% | 26.1% | 5.5% | 3.4% |
| Q10-3. Improve my (my household's) mental health & reduces stress | 43.1% | 45.1% | 9.1% | 1.2% | 1.6% |
| Q10-4. Improve my (my household's) physical health & fitness | 40.1% | 48.0% | 10.3% | 0.8% | 0.8% |
| Q10-5. Are age-friendly & accessible to all age groups | 27.2% | 42.0% | 24.3% | 4.9% | 1.6% |
| Q10-6. Offer childhood education opportunities to develop whole child | 22.5% | 36.9% | 36.4% | 3.2% | 1.1% |
| Q10-7. Positively impact economic/ business development | 24.4% | 48.0% | 23.1% | 2.7% | 1.8% |
| Q10-8. Preserve open space & protect the environment | 43.1% | 44.3% | 8.5% | 3.3% | 0.8% |
| Q10-9. Provide access to greenspace & nature, or playgrounds | 44.4% | 47.2% | 6.9% | 1.2% | 0.4% |
| Q10-10. Provide access to transportation (e.g., sidewalks, bikeways, trails, public transit) | 26.0% | 45.5% | 15.7% | 9.8% | 3.0% |
| Q10-11. Provide information & assistance in navigating resources & social services | 15.2% | 36.5% | 38.8% | 9.0% | 0.6% |
| Q10-12. Provide jobs/professional development for youth | 16.0% | 36.0% | 40.0% | 5.7% | 2.3% |
| Q10-13. Provide positive social interactions for me (my household/ family) | 26.0% | 54.5% | 16.1% | 2.9% | 0.4% |
| Q10-14. Provide preservation of historic structures & resources | 27.0% | 49.5% | 20.3% | 2.3% | 0.9% |

**Q12. The following is a list of actions the City of Lakewood could take to improve its parks and recreation system. Please indicate your support for each potential action by circling the corresponding number to the right.**

(N=267)

| | Very supportive | Somewhat supportive | Not sure | Not supportive | Not provided |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Q12-1. Develop fieldhouse (indoor sports fields facility) | 19.5% | 27.7% | 30.0% | 14.6% | 8.2% |
| Q12-2. Develop larger indoor rental venues | 7.1% | 18.7% | 40.1% | 25.1% | 9.0% |
| Q12-3. Develop new bike park facility, pump track | 24.3% | 30.7% | 24.0% | 14.2% | 6.7% |
| Q12-4. Develop new multiuse recreation facilities | 39.3% | 39.0% | 12.0% | 3.4% | 6.4% |
| Q12-5. Develop public art opportunities | 27.0% | 40.8% | 16.1% | 9.4% | 6.7% |
| Q12-6. Improve existing parks infrastructure (e.g., benches, shade structures, water fountains, wi-fi) | 58.1% | 29.2% | 6.0% | 2.2% | 4.5% |
| Q12-7. Improve existing playgrounds | 42.7% | 33.7% | 13.1% | 4.1% | 6.4% |
| Q12-8. Improve existing trail system (increasing connectivity/ accessibility) | 71.2% | 16.9% | 5.2% | 1.1% | 5.6% |
| Q12-9. Improve inclusion services or accessibility to programs & facilities | 38.2% | 31.8% | 16.5% | 4.5% | 9.0% |

**Q12. The following is a list of actions the City of Lakewood could take to improve its parks and recreation system. Please indicate your support for each potential action by circling the corresponding number to the right.**

| | Very supportive | Somewhat supportive | Not sure | Not supportive | Not provided |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Q12-10. Improve/ add restroom facilities | 50.2% | 33.0% | 9.4% | 2.2% | 5.2% |
| Q12-11. Other | 19.5% | 0.7% | 3.7% | 0.4% | 75.7% |

**Q12. The following is a list of actions the City of Lakewood could take to improve its parks and recreation system. Please indicate your support for each potential action by circling the corresponding number to the right. (without "not provided")**

(N=267)

| | Very supportive | Somewhat supportive | Not sure | Not supportive |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Q12-1. Develop fieldhouse (indoor sports fields facility) | 21.2% | 30.2% | 32.7% | 15.9% |
| Q12-2. Develop larger indoor rental venues | 7.8% | 20.6% | 44.0% | 27.6% |
| Q12-3. Develop new bike park facility, pump track | 26.1% | 32.9% | 25.7% | 15.3% |
| Q12-4. Develop new multiuse recreation facilities | 42.0% | 41.6% | 12.8% | 3.6% |
| Q12-5. Develop public art opportunities | 28.9% | 43.8% | 17.3% | 10.0% |
| Q12-6. Improve existing parks infrastructure (e.g., benches, shade structures, water fountains, wi-fi) | 60.8% | 30.6% | 6.3% | 2.4% |
| Q12-7. Improve existing playgrounds | 45.6% | 36.0% | 14.0% | 4.4% |
| Q12-8. Improve existing trail system (increasing connectivity/accessibility) | 75.4% | 17.9% | 5.6% | 1.2% |
| Q12-9. Improve inclusion services or accessibility to programs & facilities | 42.0% | 35.0% | 18.1% | 4.9% |
| Q12-10. Improve/add restroom facilities | 53.0% | 34.8% | 9.9% | 2.4% |
| Q12-11. Other | 80.0% | 3.1% | 15.4% | 1.5% |

## Q13. Which THREE improvements from the list in Question 12 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household?

| Q13. Top choice | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| None chosen | 267 | 100.0 % |
| Total | 267 | 100.0 % |

## Q13. Which THREE improvements from the list in Question 12 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household?

| Q13. 2nd choice | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| None chosen | 267 | 100.0 % |
| Total | 267 | 100.0 % |

## Q13. Which THREE improvements from the list in Question 12 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household?

| Q13. 3rd choice | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| None chosen | 267 | 100.0 % |
| Total | 267 | 100.0 % |

## Q13. Which THREE improvements from the list in Question 12 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household? (top 3)

| Q13. Top choice | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| None chosen | 267 | 100.0 % |
| Total | 267 | |

Number of Cases = 267
Number of Responses = 267
Average Number Of Responses Per Case = 1.0
Number Of Cases With At Least One Response = 267

**Q14. Please indicate your level of agreement with each of the following statements about arts, parks, and recreation in the City of Lakewood. Please rate your level of agreement on a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 means "Strongly Disagree," and 5 means "Strongly Agree."**

(N=267)

| | Strongly agree | Mostly agree | Neutral | Mostly disagree | Strongly disagree | Not provided |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Q14-1. I feel safe in the parks | 24.3% | 58.4% | 9.0% | 4.5% | 1.1% | 2.6% |
| Q14-2. I feel welcome in City's arts, parks, programs & facilities | 42.7% | 41.2% | 7.5% | 3.0% | 0.7% | 4.9% |
| Q14-3. I know where to look for information about arts, parks, trails, & recreation facilities | 26.6% | 44.6% | 13.5% | 10.5% | 1.1% | 3.7% |
| Q14-4. The area near my home has convenient access to arts, parks, & recreation opportunities | 36.0% | 37.1% | 11.2% | 7.5% | 2.6% | 5.6% |
| Q14-5. City has art, park & recreation facilities for people like me | 31.1% | 42.3% | 15.4% | 4.1% | 1.9% | 5.2% |
| Q14-6. The facilities are well-maintained | 21.3% | 52.8% | 15.0% | 3.4% | 1.1% | 6.4% |
| Q14-7. The parks are well-maintained | 23.6% | 56.2% | 11.2% | 4.1% | 0.4% | 4.5% |
| Q14-8. There are plenty of art, park, & recreation opportunities for teens | 3.7% | 16.9% | 43.8% | 7.9% | 2.6% | 25.1% |
| Q14-9. There are plenty of art, park, & recreation opportunities for older adults | 13.1% | 31.5% | 28.5% | 6.7% | 2.2% | 18.0% |

**WITHOUT "NOT PROVIDED"**

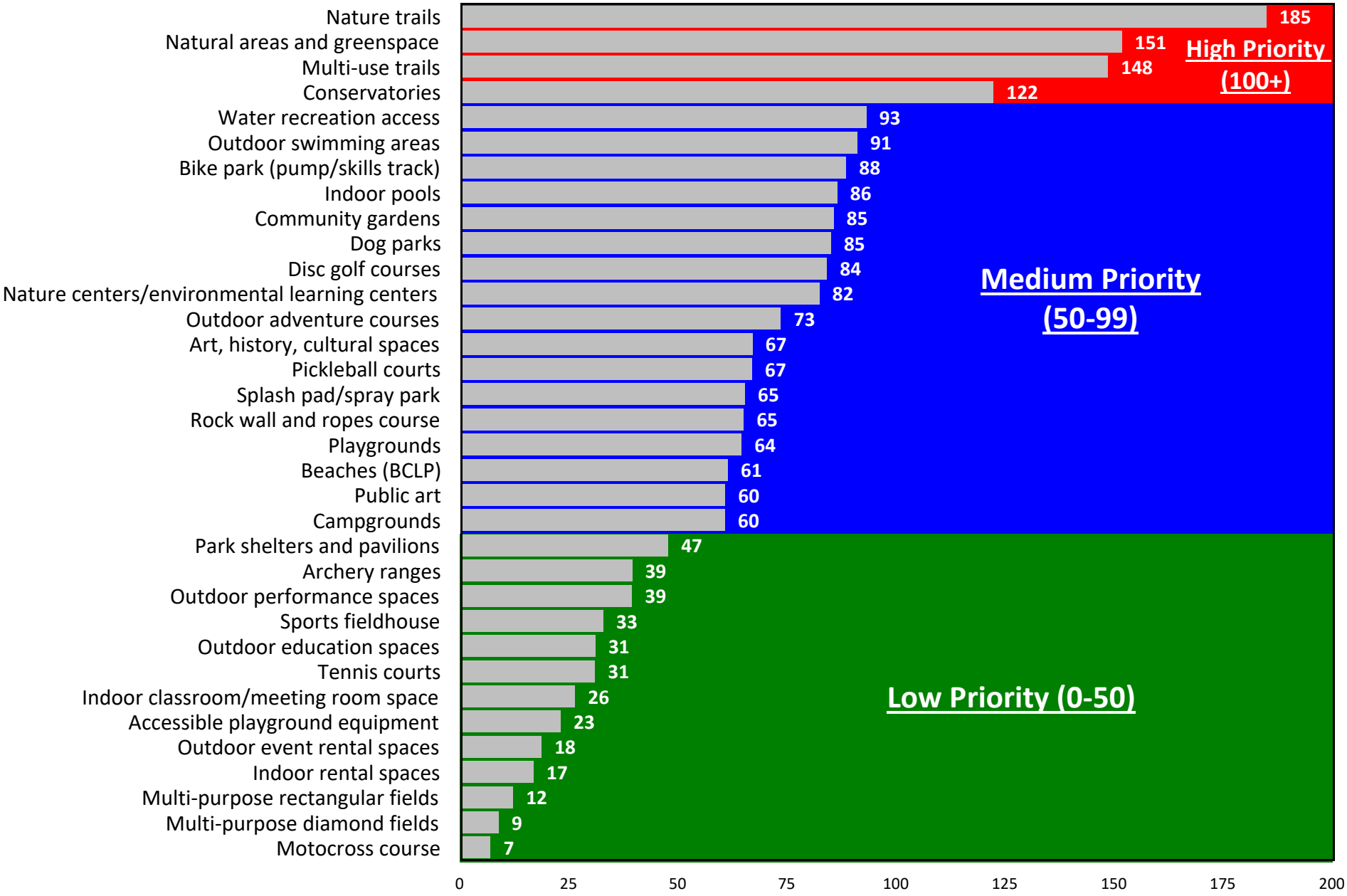
**Q14. Please indicate your level of agreement with each of the following statements about arts, parks, and recreation in the City of Lakewood. Please rate your level of agreement on a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 means "Strongly Disagree," and 5 means "Strongly Agree." (without "not provided")**

(N=267)

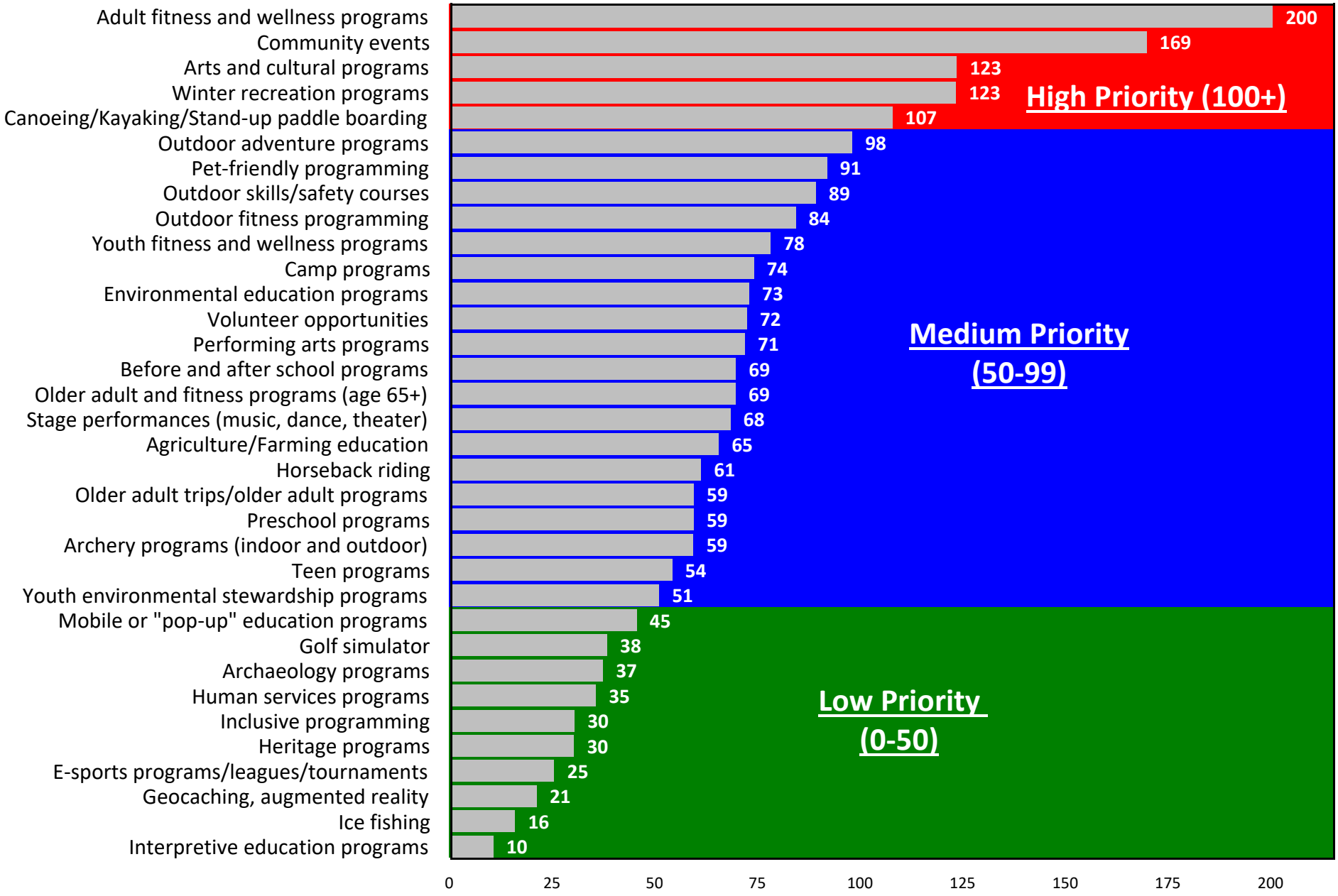
| | Strongly agree | Mostly agree | Neutral | Mostly disagree | Strongly disagree |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Q14-1. I feel safe in the parks | 25.0% | 60.0% | 9.2% | 4.6% | 1.2% |
| Q14-2. I feel welcome in City's arts, parks, programs & facilities | 44.9% | 43.3% | 7.9% | 3.1% | 0.8% |
| Q14-3. I know where to look for information about arts, parks, trails, & recreation facilities | 27.6% | 46.3% | 14.0% | 10.9% | 1.2% |
| Q14-4. The area near my home has convenient access to arts, parks, & recreation opportunities | 38.1% | 39.3% | 11.9% | 7.9% | 2.8% |
| Q14-5. City has art, park & recreation facilities for people like me | 32.8% | 44.7% | 16.2% | 4.3% | 2.0% |
| Q14-6. The facilities are well-maintained | 22.8% | 56.4% | 16.0% | 3.6% | 1.2% |
| Q14-7. The parks are well-maintained | 24.7% | 58.8% | 11.8% | 4.3% | 0.4% |
| Q14-8. There are plenty of art, park, & recreation opportunities for teens | 5.0% | 22.5% | 58.5% | 10.5% | 3.5% |
| Q14-9. There are plenty of art, park, & recreation opportunities for older adults | 16.0% | 38.4% | 34.7% | 8.2% | 2.7% |

# 2 Priority Investment Ratings

# Top Priorities for Investment for Recreation Facilities and Amenities Based on the Priority Investment Rating - Non-Random Sample



# Top Priorities for Investment for Lakewood Programs Based on the Priority Investment Rating - Non-Random Sample



# 3 Survey Instrument

# Lakewood Imagine Tomorrow! Needs Assessment Survey

*Let your voice be heard today!*

The City of Lakewood would like your input to help determine arts, parks, and recreation priorities for the City to inform the Imagine Tomorrow! Master Plan. This survey will take 15-20 minutes to complete. When you are finished, please return your survey in the enclosed postage-paid, return-reply envelope. If you prefer, you can complete the survey online at LakewoodCitySurvey.org. We greatly appreciate and value your time!

**1. During a typical year, do you or any member of your household visit any City of Lakewood arts, parks, and recreation facilities?** ____(1) Yes ____(2) No *[Answer Q1a.]*

**2. During a typical year, do you or any member of your household participate in any arts, parks, and recreation programs or events offered and/or hosted by the City of Lakewood?**

____(1) Yes ____(2) No *[Answer Q2a.]*

**3. Please indicate whether you or members of your household use or are aware of each of the following services and programs offered by the arts and cultural facilities.**

| | | Use | Aware, but Do Not Use | Not Aware it Was Offered |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 01. | Camp programs | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 02. | Community Events (Cider Days, Rockin Block Party, Big Boom Bash) | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 03. | Exhibitions and Public Art (in cultural facilities and parks) | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 04. | Heritage Lakewood Visitor's Center and Museum (Historic preservation, tours, research, presentation of Lakewood's history) | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 05. | Lakewood Cultural Center Performances | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 06. | Performing arts classes (dance, theater, music) | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 07. | Public Art | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 08. | Rental spaces (meetings, celebrations, events) | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 09. | Visual arts classes (painting, drawing, ceramics, digital arts, fibers) | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 10. | Volunteer opportunities (ushers, docents, museum store, events) | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 11. | Washington Heights Arts Center studios and classes | 3 | 2 | 1 |

**4. Which THREE of the following roles and services of the City's Heritage Culture and Arts programs are MOST IMPORTANT to you and members of your household?** [Check up to THREE.]

____(01) Provide access and support for local/regional talent through performances and/or exhibitions
____(02) Provide public access to national/international artists through performances and/or exhibits
____(03) Provide access to culturally diverse programs and services that reflect and celebrate the diversity of the community.
____(04) Support arts and cultural education and literacy for children and adults
____(05) Offer programs and services that broaden exposure to arts, culture and history
____(06) Offer programs and services that allow for creative self-expression
____(07) Provide access to education on and enhance awareness of Lakewood's history
____(08) Foster civic engagement and pride through volunteer opportunities
____(09) Support individuals in creating and sharing their art (music, videos, other mediums)
____(10) Provide a safe and inspiring environment to learn a new skill or expand on a current skill
____(11) Offer events, programs and spaces that build community through gatherings and celebrations

**5. Please indicate if you or any member of your household has a need for each of the parks and recreation facilities/amenities in Lakewood listed alphabetically below by circling either "Yes" or "No." If "Yes," please rate how well your need for facilities/amenities of this type is being met using a scale of 1 to 4, where 4 means "Needs Are Fully Met" and 1 means "Does Not Meet Needs" of your household.**

| | Type of Facility/Amenity | Do you have a need for this facility/amenity? | | If Yes, how well are your needs met? | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | Fully Met | Mostly Met | Partly Met | Not Met |
| 01. | Accessible playground equipment | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 02. | Archery ranges | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 03. | Art, history, cultural spaces | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 04. | Beaches (BCLP) | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 05. | Bike park (pump/skills track) | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 06. | Campgrounds | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 07. | Community gardens | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 08. | Conservatories (e.g., botanical gardens, plant libraries, etc.) | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 09. | Disc golf courses | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 10. | Dog parks | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 11. | Indoor Rental spaces | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 12. | Indoor classroom/meeting room space | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 13. | Indoor pools | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 14. | Motocross Course | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 15. | Multi-purpose diamond fields | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 16. | Multi-purpose rectangular fields | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 17. | Multi-use trails | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 18. | Natural areas and greenspace | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 19. | Nature centers/environmental learning centers | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 20. | Nature trails (walking, running, hiking etc.) | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 21. | Outdoor adventure courses (Ninja Warrior) | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 22. | Outdoor education spaces | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 23. | Outdoor event rental spaces | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 24. | Outdoor performance spaces | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 25. | Outdoor swimming areas | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 26. | Park shelters and pavilions | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 27. | Pickleball Courts | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 28. | Playgrounds | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 29. | Public art | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 30. | Rock wall and ropes course | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 31. | Splash pad/spray park | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 32. | Sports Field House | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 33. | Tennis Courts | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 34. | Water Recreation Access (boat, kayak, canoe launches, fishing piers) | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 35. | Other: _____ | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |

**6. Which FOUR facilities/amenities from the list in Question 5 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household?** *[Write in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 5, or circle "NONE."]*

1st: ____ 2nd: ____ 3rd: ____ 4th: ____ NONE

**7. Please indicate if you or any member of your household has a need for each of the programs in Lakewood listed below by circling either "Yes" or "No." If "Yes," please rate how well your need for programs of this type are being met using a scale of 1 to 4, where 4 means "Needs Are Fully Met" and 1 means "Does Not Meet Needs" of your household.**

| | Type of Program | Do you have a need for this program? | | If Yes, how well are your needs met? | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | Fully Met | Mostly Met | Partly Met | Not Met |
| 01. | Adult fitness and wellness programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 02. | Agriculture/farming education | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 03. | Archaeology programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 04. | Archery programs (indoor and outdoor) | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 05. | Arts and Cultural programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 06. | Before and after school programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 07. | Camp programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 08. | Canoeing/kayaking/stand-up paddle boarding | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 09. | Community events (concerts, festivals, races, walks) | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 10. | Environmental education programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 11. | E-sports programs/leagues/tournaments | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 12. | Geocaching, interactive gaming Augmented reality | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 13. | Golf simulator | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 14. | Heritage/historic preservation programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 15. | Horseback riding | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 16. | Human services programs (e.g., transportation, meals, education, resource referral) | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 17. | Ice fishing | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 18. | Inclusive programming | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 19. | Interpretive education programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 20. | Mobile or "pop-up" education programs (i.e., programming brought directly to neighborhoods) | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 21. | Older adult and fitness programs (age 65+) | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 22. | Older Adult trips/other targeted senior programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 23. | Outdoor adventure programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 24. | Outdoor fitness programming | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 25. | Outdoor skills/safety courses (survival skills, wilderness first aid, etc.) | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 26. | Performing arts programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 27. | Pet friendly programming | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 28. | Preschool programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 29. | Stage performances | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 30. | Teen programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 31. | Volunteer opportunities | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 32. | Winter recreation programs (e.g., tubing, cross country skiing, etc.) | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 33. | Youth environmental stewardship programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 34. | Youth fitness and wellness programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 35. | Other: _____ | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |

**8. Which FOUR programs from the list in Question 7 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household?** *[Write in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 7, or circle "NONE."]*

1st: ____ 2nd: ____ 3rd: ____ 4th: ____ NONE

**9. Please rate your level of agreement with the following statements by circling the corresponding number.**

| | Arts, parks and recreation facilities in Lakewood… | Strongly Agree | Agree | Neutral | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 01. | Help to attract new residents and businesses | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 02. | Helps to reduce crime in my neighborhood and keep kids out of trouble | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 03. | Improve my (my household's) mental health and reduces stress | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 04. | Improve my (my household's) physical health and fitness | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 05. | Is age-friendly and accessible to all age groups | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 06. | Offers childhood education opportunities to develop the whole child | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 07. | Positively impacts economic/business development | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 08. | Preserve open space and protects the environment | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 09. | Provide access to greenspace and nature, or playgrounds | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 10. | Provide access to transportation (e.g., sidewalks, bikeways, trails, public transit) | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 11. | Provide information and assistance in navigating resources and social services | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 12. | Provide jobs/professional development for youth | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 13. | Provide positive social interactions for me (my household/family) | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 14. | Provides preservation of historical structures and resources | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |

**10. The following is a list of actions the City of Lakewood could take to improve its parks and recreation system. Please indicate your support for each potential action by circling the corresponding number to the right.**

| | Types of Improvements | Very Supportive | Somewhat Supportive | Not Sure | Not Supportive |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 01. | Develop fieldhouse (indoor sports fields facility) | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 02. | Develop larger indoor rental venues | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 03. | Develop new bike parks facility, pump track | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 04. | Develop new multiuse recreation facilities | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 05. | Develop public art opportunities | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 06. | Improve existing parks infrastructure (e.g., benches, shade structures, water fountains, wi-fi) | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 07. | Improve existing playgrounds | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 08. | Improve existing trail system (increasing connectivity/accessibility) | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 09. | Improve inclusion services or accessibility to programs and facilities | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 10. | Improve/add restroom facilities | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 11. | Other: | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |

**11. Please indicate your level of agreement with each of the following statements about arts, parks, and recreation in the City of Lakewood. Please rate your level of agreement on a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 means "Strongly Disagree," and 5 means "Strongly Agree."**

| | Rate Your Level of Agreement | Strongly Agree | Mostly Agree | Neutral | Mostly Disagree | Strongly Disagree |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | I feel safe in the parks | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 2. | I feel welcome in the City's arts, parks, programs, and facilities | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 3. | I know where to look for information about arts, parks, trails, and recreation facilities | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 4. | The area near my home has convenient access to recreation opportunities | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 5. | The city has art, park and recreational facilities for people like me | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 6. | The facilities are well-maintained | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 7. | The parks are well-maintained | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 8. | There are plenty of art, park, and recreation opportunities for teens | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 9. | There are plenty of art, parks, and recreation opportunities for older adults | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |

APPENDIX A4

# CONSTITUENT LISTENING SESSIONS SUMMARY

IMAGINE TOMORROW
Arts, Parks & Recreation for All

*March 14, 2022*

## INTRODUCTION

As part of the initial community engagement efforts, the Logan Simpson planning team conducted one-on-one constituent listening sessions over a three-week period from February 14th to March 8th. Subscribers to the Community Resources Department's e-newsletter updates were invited to sign up for a 20-30 minute phone interview to share their vision for Lakewood's arts, parks and recreation offerings; insight into any challenges they experience; and opportunities and ideas that they would like the plan to consider.

Seven constituents participated in the one-on-one listening sessions and represented a variety of organizations including: Lakewood Sustainable Neighborhoods, Colorado Mountain Bike Association, Runners' Roost, urban agriculture non-profit agencies, and ceramics class participants.

This report documents the key themes, ideas, and comments provided by listening session participants. Forthcoming opportunities for community participation will expand the narrative and further enhance the planning team's understanding of community preferences and priorities as the project advances.

## CONSTITUENT COMMENTS

1. What are the things that the City of Lakewood does well, that it should continue doing or expand upon?
   - Biweekly farmers markets at Eaton Senior Communities and at Patterson Early Childhood Complex.
   - 16-week training course for beginner farmers through the Clements Senior Center.
   - Continue or expand operations of urban agriculture plots/ community gardens at city parks in partnership with agencies such as Sprout City Farms and Go Farm.
   - Continue or expand mobile farmers markets and CSA programs.
   - Teachers are very good at explaining ceramics process, especially for someone who is visually impaired, and are always willing to determine alternative ways to participate.
   - The people/staff are the asset. Their ability to think outside the box.
   - Continue allowing outside organizations to host running events and races in City parks such as Bear Creek Lake Park.
   - Arts and culture facilities and programs are top-notch and attract a regional audience.
   - Gathering spaces alongside other recreation amenities. E.g., picnic pavilion next to splash pad at Weir Gulch Gardens.
   - Maintenance staff do a great job and are personable and approachable to park patrons when they are working.
   - Outdoor fitness courts are appreciated.
   - Separating biking and walking uses on the multi-use path at Bear Creek Lake park has made a big improvement in user experience.

2. What specific issues or challenges are of greatest concern you; threats?
   - Funding is the biggest threat – discounted fresh produce for those in need requires a lot of funding and grants are a volatile source of funds.

- Challenges in exposing more diverse communities to local, healthy, organic produce. Breaking through cultural barriers and communication in neighborhoods that typically do not have access to a farmer's market.
- Camping bans or homeless sweeps in Denver result in increases of unhoused individuals in Mountair Park which causes the City to react by shutting off water which is problematic. Unsure how to help.
- Accessibility problems in Washington Heights building…stairs, narrow access to kilns.
- City is receptive to partnering with outside organizations, but it would be helpful to have one point-person to coordinate with.
- Green Mountain trail width allows for biker and runner to pass, but there are still major user conflicts with bikers dominating trails. Not as much of an issue on greenways. It's a space issue and an education issue on etiquette (speed, passing, riding 2 abreast).
- Volume of users at Green Mountain trails has led to increased conflicts between hikers and bikers.
- Green mountain trails not maintained well for beginner mountain bikers.
- Disconnect between the City Council and Trail Community.
- Goose poop.
- Sledding hills typically mowed before winter season and they weren't mowed this year.

3. What specific trends, policies, programs, or general opportunities do you think the City should explore or pursue?
   - Additional small-scale agricultural land for farm incubator programs.
   - Convert some parkland into permanent training farmland and education center.
   - Utilize parks for mobile farmers market locations for mobile markets, especially in underserved neighborhoods.
   - Utilize the City's communications infrastructure to spread the word about events or opportunities hosted by outside partner agencies, such as locations of farmers markets or farmer training opportunities.
   - Washington Heights has tons of different glaze options and samples that show you what it looks like. Would be great to have an electronic catalogue of glazes that can be read to someone with visual impairment or list in braille.
   - City running track – facility to host youth running programs that is specifically for the City of Lakewood rather than having to compete with using the Jefferson County stadium.
   - A space like the Apex Center in Arvada
   - Establish a signature running event or event series.
   - Fully tap into the potential of the mountain bike community of volunteers by authorizing maintenance work on existing trails and construction of new trails.
   - Expand mountain bike trails at Green Mountain.
   - Pump track at Green Mountain.
   - Expand purpose-built sustainable trails along existing Bear Creek Trail where social trails have been created.
   - Expanded width of trails to accommodate increases in ridership, especially e-bikes.
   - Establish safe crossings from new residential developments on north side of Morrison Road to Bear Creek Lake Park.

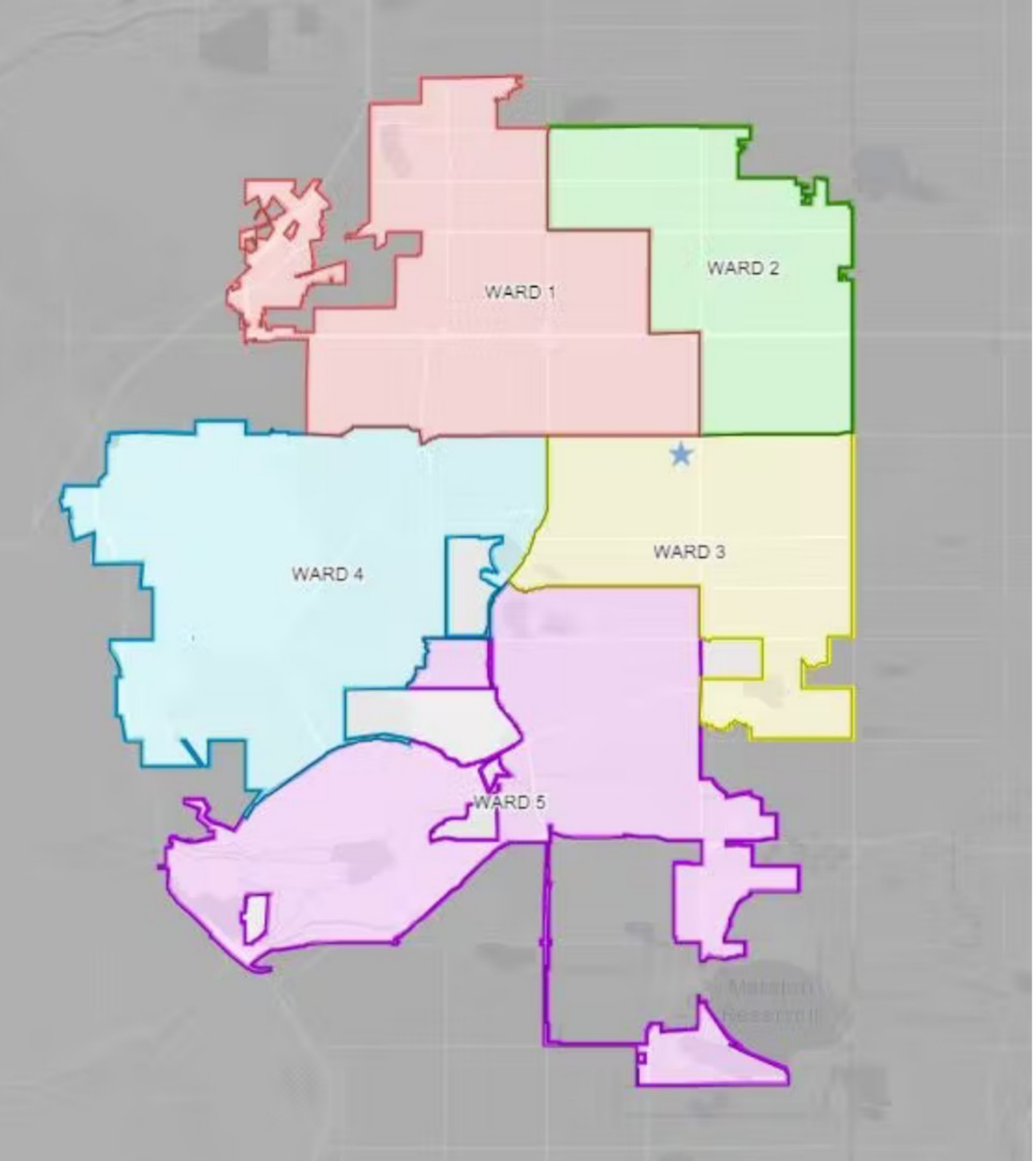
- Incorporate bike facilities (including off-road) into all parks and development planning. E.g., sidewalks – they are required for new development…consider building a soft-surface flow-line adjacent to the sidewalk corridor. Can help prevent user conflicts. See single-track sidewalks in Eagle, CO.
- Make park maintenance pesticide and herbicide free.
- Convert more landscaped acreage of parks to natural landscape and xeriscape. Include interpretive educational signage to explain why a landscape looks the way it does.
- Plan for different users from the outset (bike vs. ped) when developing facilities.
- More opportunities for pickleball.
- Expand bike paths.
- Pool with a lazy river.
- More community gardens.
- A place to take leaves for composting --- what does the parks department do with all of their leaves? Could citizens drop off leaves at a park and then have the City collect and dispose of them the same way they dispose of other leaves at City parks.
- Bring back the native plant sale.

**Appendix A5**

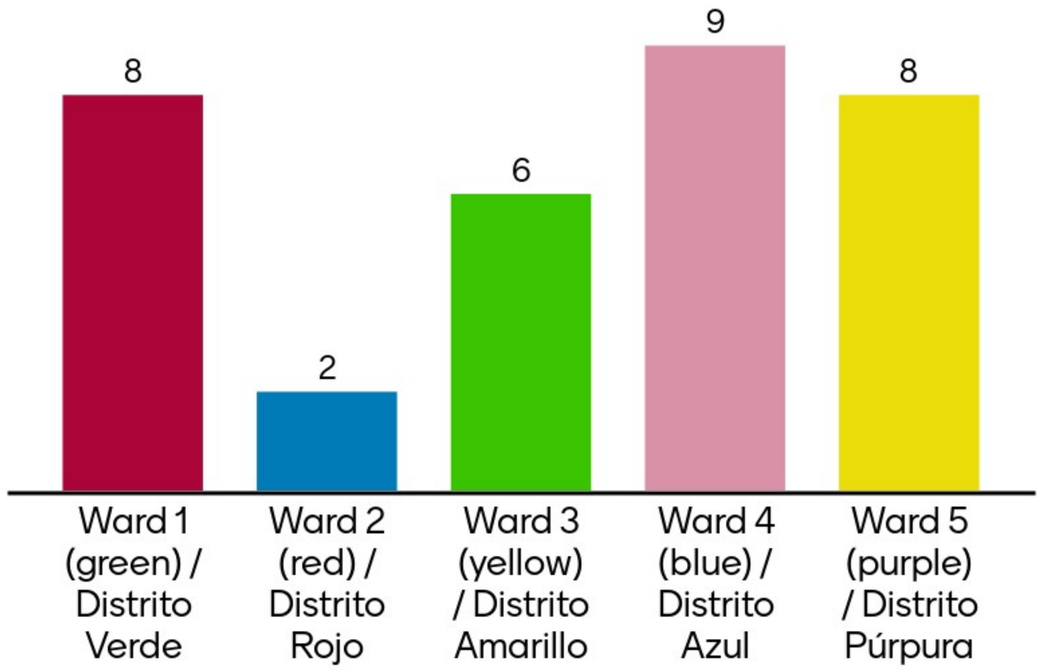
**Visioning Workshop Results | April 27, 2022**

# IMAGINE TOMORROW! / Imagina el Mañana

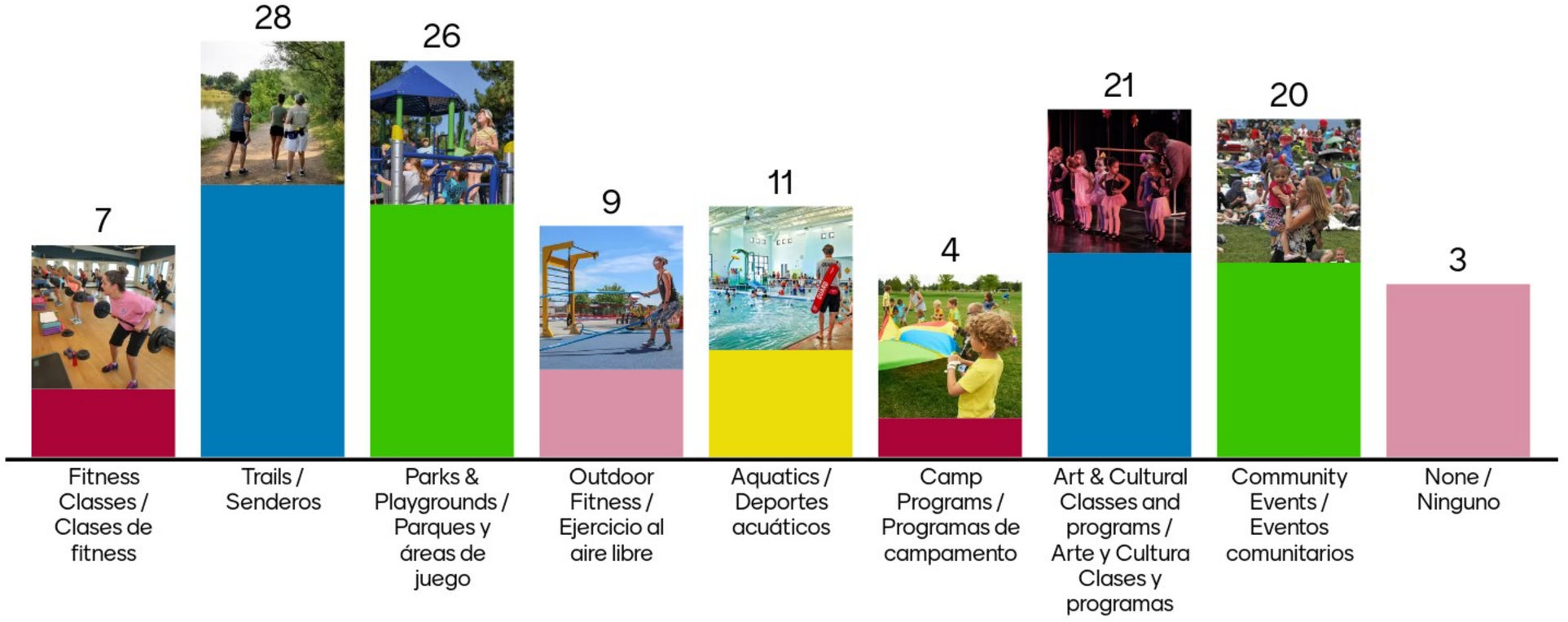
## Lakewood Community Resources Master Plan




# What Council Ward do you live in? / ¿En qué distrito del consejo municipal vives?



# Which services or programs do you and your household participate in? / ¿En qué servicios o programas participas tú o tu familia?



# What do you prefer to do in Parks? / ¿Qué prefieres hacer en los Parques?

Self-guided recreation / Recreación autoguiada

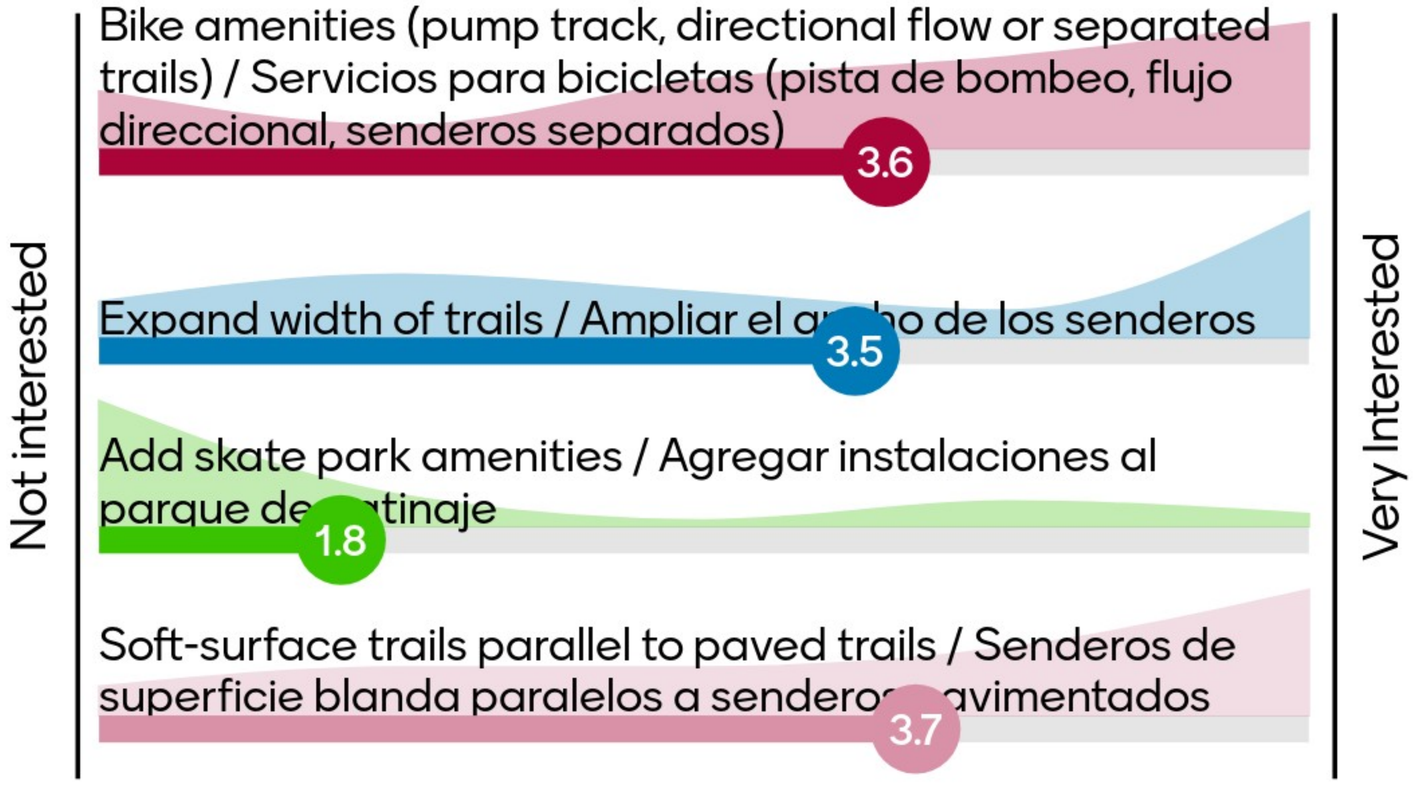
33

or

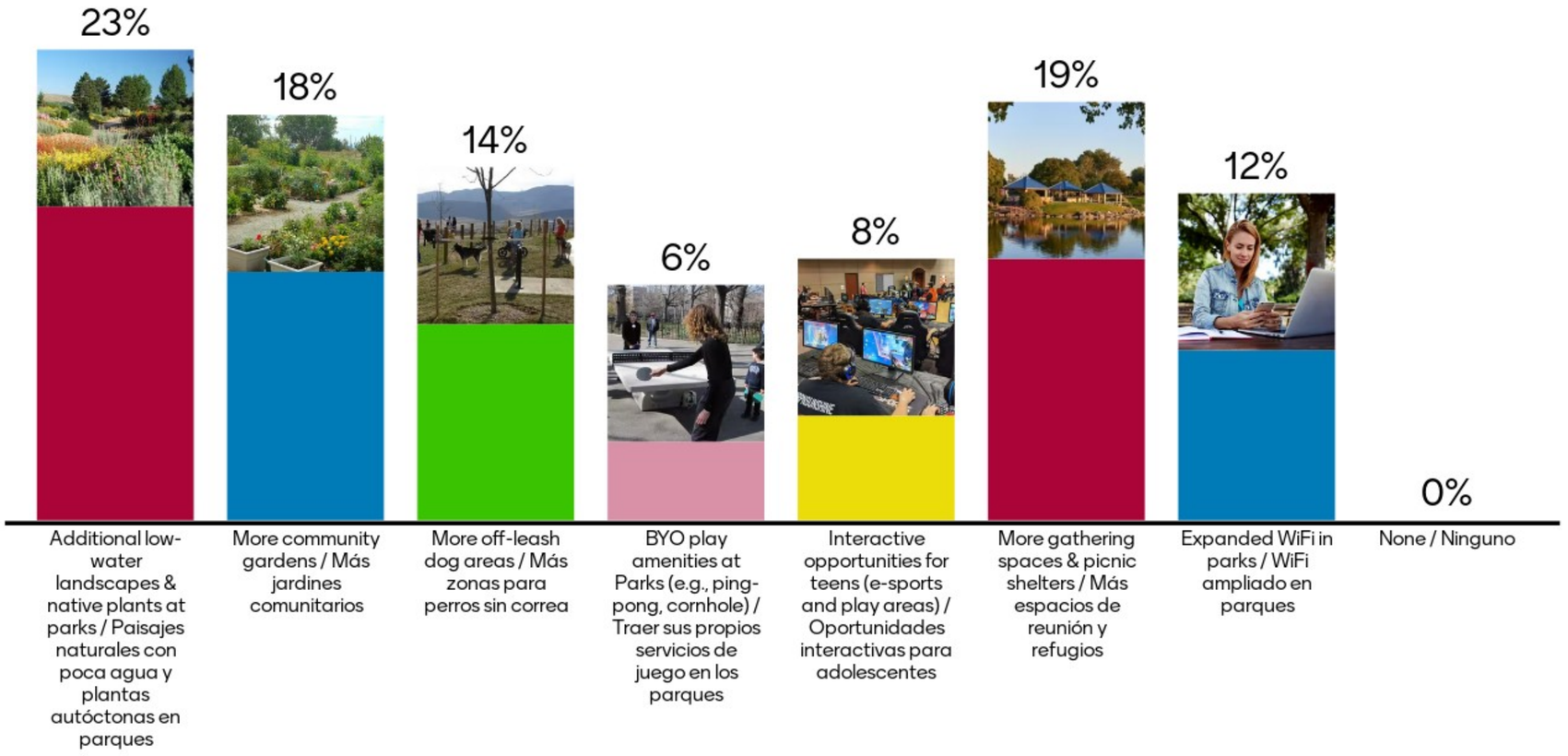
Organized programs / Programas organizados

3

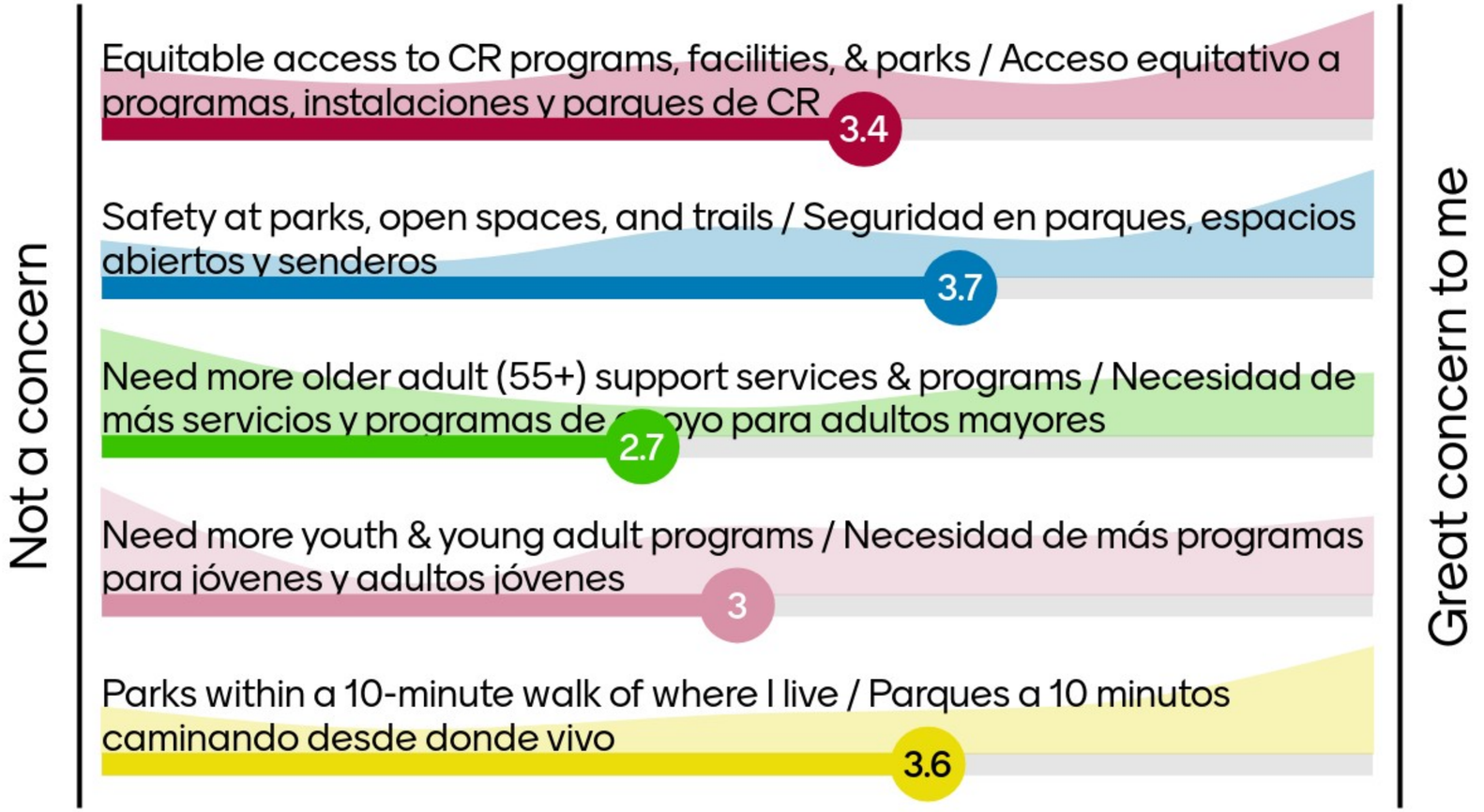
# What actions should the City explore for active modes of movement? / ¿Qué acciones debería explorar la Ciudad para apoyar los modos activos?



# What park programs/facilities should the City explore? (Add other ideas to the chat)/ ¿Qué programas o instalaciones de parques debería explorar más?



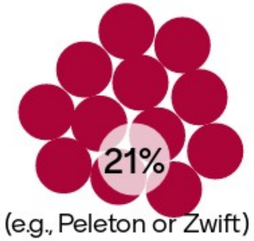
# Which issues are of greatest concern to you? / ¿Cuáles son los temas que más te preocupan?



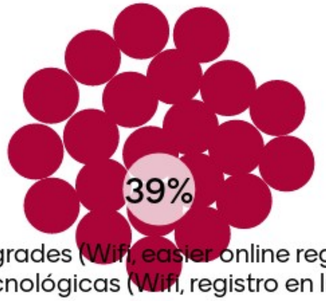
# What tech-based programs or facilities should the City explore?/ ¿Qué programas o instalaciones basados en tecnología debería explorar más la Ciudad?

E-sports / Deportes electrónicos

Continuing virtual classes / Clases virtuales continuas




Cardio Theater (e.g., Peleton or Zwift) / Cardio Theatre




Technology upgrades (Wifi, easier online registration, etc.) / Actualizaciones tecnológicas (Wifi, registro en línea más fácil, etc.)

# What is your interest in the following programs or services? / ¿Cuál es tu interés en los siguientes programas o servicios?

## Appendix A5

# *IMAGINE TOMORROW!* WORKSHOP IN THE PARK RESULTS AND COMMENTS

August 03, 2022 | Carmody Park

### GENERAL FEEDBACK ON GOALS

- Revise goal language to be more "user-friendly"

### DRAFT PLAN GOAL #1

What ideas do you have to help us achieve this goal?

- Art activities directed toward race
- More Hispanic outreach
- Splash park's closure due to *long* maintenance
- Invite local schools to allow student groups to perform/display art
- Get new head coach at Dunstan for MSSP program that can welcome and engage the younger students
- Spay/Neuter and microchipping events
- City-hosted dog training classes
- Free splash pad (at parks, See Arvada)
- Agricultural land lease that combines local foods, emergency preparedness, sustainability, and parks and rec
    - Examples: Sprout City Farms
    - Boulder County Ag Lease Program
    - Community gardens allow individual residents to grow their own
    - Ag leases allow farmers to grow for the community
    - Contact: Jiayi Liu (jiayi@factorearth.com)
- Interpretation with AR/VR
    - More efficient communication with the community than conventional means
    - Historic sites, parks/rec facilities, public engagement in the planning/zoning process
    - Creative arts for youth as well as to offer art classes to senior population
- We love the festivals and events already!
    - Love then they are free or low cost
    - Looking forward to even more
    - Multi-cultural festivals

### DRAFT PLAN GOAL #2

What ideas do you have to help us achieve this goal?

- More parks like Carmody so the whole family of different ages and abilities can enjoy
- Increase the efficiency of existing parks by allowing drone use during vacant times (w/o permit)
- Coordinate parks with police and transportation and ensure access to parks where increased traffic flow after new development has rendered access unsafe and an accident or fatality waiting to happen.
- Outdoor and indoor public tennis courts, more outdoor public pools, please fix Carmody Rec. outdoor pool
- Outdoor swimming pool not available at Carmody Rec Center. I enjoy it but it has been closed all year/summer
- Carmody Rec Center restrooms and handicapped shower fixtures need to be evaluated, repaired, and replaced
- More splash parks. Keep up with maintenance so there are shorter closing of facilities due to maintenance
- Designate the west portion of Addenbrooke Park for the use of hobby and commercial SUAV Drone use
- Text reminders for appointments (swim lessons, etc) so if people are not going to attend it can open slots for other people (efficiency)
- Better website for sign-ups
- New amenities = new parks

    - Parks Dedication Ordinance so new parks are created by developers contributing land
    - Neighborhood watches near parks
- Resources for the needy/homeless in parks (more bathrooms, showers, info)
- Improve trails and benches around Main reservoir
- Mountain bike pump track
- Focus on native plants/pollinator friendly gardens, less use of pesticides
- No drones in parks, they scare horses and other pets
- More and better restrooms at all parks
- "Edible" plants—berry bushes, fruit trees, etc. in parks and natural areas
- Summer splash pads such as what they have in Arvada, not fenced in, and make them free
- We love the rock-jungle gym at Belmar Park, more open-ended, interesting play structures

### DRAFT PLAN GOAL #3

What ideas do you have to help us achieve this goal?

- Community events like night out for parents
- Fenced areas at playgrounds for safety
- More Bear Creek programs, longer Jr. Ranger class
- Lack of police/security presence renders park unsafe to use at various times
- Sports leagues for children
- Wildlife/environmental/historical plaques
- Expand Jr. Ranger programs and outdoor education for adults—Bear Creek Park is a great venue for this
- Signage with family friendly yoga pose visuals and mindfulness activities—deep breathing and meditation benefits all
- Provide crosswalks for all residents that have a major street to get to neighborhood parties
- Installation for the public to create/display temporary art—a wall that can be painted, spray painted but then covered after a year for the next artist
- No e-bikes or motorized skate boards on trails and Bear Creek Lake Park (?)
- Trash clean up community meet ups
- Public art installations, encourage chalk art for kids
- Bubble festival will be popular for younger kids
- We love the haunted trail adventure—more themed programs like this
- Craft-tea program is great but could be less
- Art classes for free/low price

### DRAFT PLAN GOAL #4

What ideas do you have to help us achieve this goal?

- ***What does this goal mean? Unclear.**
- Monthly news letters about upcoming events in Lakewood—bi-weekly would be better, e-newsletters and no paper
- Recruit "ambassadors" from youth groups
    - Re: How to reach underserved community groups and residents
    - Re: How to increase use of existing online communication methods
- Improve internet
- Advertise on replacement bags for single use plastic
- Advertise more on social media
- Create an app for parks/rec programs for easy info sharing, signups, push notifications, etc.
- Social media presence
- E-bike checkout at libraries

- Birding spotting scope checkout at libraries
- The cost to use the park for a neighborhood/citizens event is shameful. We should be able to reserve without paying for a permit. Deposit fine and ensure clean-up after oneself but the high price to use the park for an event is sad.
- Please put back the pickleball courts at 6MRC
- QR codes are useful and convenient
- Send text reminders to people who have signed up for lessons (swim lessons). If they can't attend, this is an easy way to decline to open up more spots for other people.
- Provide incentives to recycle
- Create a community pass for local activities not charge admission to Bear Creek Lake, rec centers, class passes, art classes at rec center
- Language exchange groups through the library
- Advertise in rec center newsletters and community catalogs well in advance
- Provide more summer classes for teens
- Monthly newsletter
- Work with schools to get kids more involved in parks and programs—specially in underserved communities

### DRAFT PLAN GOAL #5

What ideas do you have to help us achieve this goal?

- Improve recycling and composting in all parks and open space areas
- Reduce turf grass areas except when needed for playfields
- Maintain Bear Creek
- Less development and allow nature to do its thing
- Education: wildlife in the area, how to better recycle and compost
- No e-bikes on trails—dangerous to walkers
    - Disagree as e-bikes serve as a mobility device for many who would not be physically able to enjoy the long-distance trails without electric-assist bikes
- Pollinator gardens to replace grass
    - Work with partners
    - Wilderness/butterfly pavilion
- Reduce irrigation on non-functional turf grass
- Make crosswalk timing a little longer for groups to cross Kipling Bypass at several lights

### DRAFT PLAN GOAL #6

What ideas do you have to help us achieve this goal?

- Expand on programs like "Let's go camping" at Bear Creek Lake Park
- Provide free/discounted rentals of equipment like paddleboards, kayaks, etc.
- Ensure public transport to and from parks
- Add crosswalks at intersections used to access parks
- Increase social-emotional resources for public schools
    - Social-emotional groups for teens at library
- Family-friendly signage on trails
- Education about mental health, wellness (nutrition, exercise, mindfulness, self-care)
- Public self-defense classes
- Events to benefit the needy/homeless
- Free/inexpensive events
    - Discount rates/group rates
- Free days (like SEFD days) at local museums, parks, pools, etc.

### SHOULD THERE BE A DOG PARK AT BEAR CREEK GREENBELT?

- Yes = 17
- No = 1
- **Total = 18**

COMMENTS:

- No because people don't pick up their dog poop
- Dr. Lee O. would love for his land to be used for dog park!
- This is the perfect spot!
- Highly in favor!

### SHOULD THERE BE A DOG PARK AT SOUTH SHERIDAN FIELDS?

- Yes = 13
- No = 0
- **Total = 13**

COMMENTS:

- Of course there should!
- I'm all in!
- We support.
- More dog parks!

### LAKEWOOD RESIDENTS' TOP PRIORITIES FOR FACILITIES

Do you agree with the priorities shown below?

| | Ward 1 | Ward 2 | Ward 3 | Ward 4 | Ward 5 | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Nature Trails** | 2 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 8 | **21** |
| **Natural Areas** | 3 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 7 | **24** |
| **Dog Parks** | | | 2 | | | **2** |
| **Flower or pollinator gardens** | 2 | | 2 | 4 | 4 | **12** |
| **Multi-Use Trails** | 1 | | 5 | 5 | 4 | **15** |
| **Pools or Water Play** | 1 | 1 | 6 | 2 | 11 | **21** |
| **OTHER:** | | | | | | |
| Ice Skating | | | | 1 | 1 | |
| More regulations for dog walkers | | | | | 1 | |
| Electric Bike Access | | | 1 | 1 | | |
| More equestrian trails and facilities | | | | | | |
| Public Fitness Equipment | 2 | | | | | |

## LAKEWOOD RESIDENTS' TOP PRIORITIES FOR PROGRAMS

Do you agree with the priorities shown below?

| | Ward 1 | Ward 2 | Ward 3 | Ward 4 | Ward 5 | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Adult Fitness** | 3 | | 4 | 5 | 4 | 16 |
| **Community Events** | 3 | 2 | 9 | 3 | 7 | 24 |
| **Older Adult Fitness** | 4 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 15 |
| **Arts and Cultural Programs** | 6 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 8 | 20 |
| **Water Recreation Programming** | 3 | | 9 | 6 | 10 | 28 |
| **OTHER:** | | | | | | |
| Programs for children with disabilities | | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 4 |
| More information about programs | | | | | 2 | 2 |
| Live streaming of live events | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Make easier to register for classes | | | | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| E-bike rebate program | | | | 3 | | 3 |
| More equestrian programs | | | | 1 | | 1 |
| Increased fines for littering | | | | | 2 | 2 |

## CITY OF LAKEWOOD GENERAL MAP COMMENTS

Comments:

- Add a Path along Kipling St. and Morrison Rd.
- Add Playground at greenbelt
- Need safe crossing at Yale Ave/Eldridge Ct.
- Dig for additional acre-feet instead of just flooding Bear Creek Reservoir
- Rework trail system that is flooded around Bear Creek Lake Park
- Add Restroom along northern trail (near Ward Canal)
- Develop a maintained path around East Reservoir

## Appendix A5

# IMAGINE TOMORROW! CLEMENTS CENTER OPEN HOUSE

January 25, 2023 | Clements Center

**Community members were asked to place a sticker next to the strategies that are most important to them or that they feel should be prioritized. The number of stickers placed by each strategy are totaled at the end of each line and highlighted. – indicating priorities within each Goal.**

## GOAL 1: Serve the diverse needs of the community by balancing unique arts, parks and recreation programming, services and events with the demand for high-quality core services.

STRATEGIES

1.1. *Plan for future program development that responds to community needs and priorities.* **6**
1.2. *Proactively consider the specialized needs of residents, such as those activities that can be enjoyed by older adults, teens and those with disabilities.* **12**
1.3. *Continue to meet arts and cultural needs throughout the community.* **8**
1.4. *Continue implementing the Lakewood Heritage Center (now, Heritage Lakewood Belmar Park) Master Plan 2017-2027. Begin plan update process in 2026.* **7**
1.5. *Evaluate and continue best practices related to volunteerism and support community efforts to expand volunteer base and integrate volunteers in meaningful ways.* **7**
1.6. *Seek the resources to achieve staffing levels necessary to deliver high quality programs, services, events and facilities that meet community needs.* **6**

## GOAL 2. Respond to community needs and priorities by maximizing the efficiency of existing arts, parks and recreation facilities and resources through proactive asset maintenance and stewardship.

STRATEGIES

2.1. *Thoughtfully consider new amenities that align with our core services.* **1**
2.2. *Analyze ongoing maintenance investment and resources for maximum benefit to the community.* **3**
2.3. *Reinvest in existing park infrastructure and trail system to ensure the longest life-cycle possible.* **11**
2.4. *Maximize usage of available programming space.* **3**
2.5. *Expand the City's community garden program and support Comprehensive Plan and Sustainability Plan goals for increased access to local and healthy food.* **8**
2.6. *Identify and implement opportunities to add desired amenities to existing parks.* **4**
2.7. *Identify and implement opportunities to add water amenities and access to existing facilities and parks while ensuring proper maintenance of existing aquatic facilities.* **0**
2.8. *Expand opportunities for sanctioned off leash dog experiences.* **8**
2.9. *Utilize a variety of funding strategies for large scale capital projects and land acquisition.* **3**
2.10. *Provide adequate, functional space for high-demand arts and cultural programs.* **2**
2.11. *Provide adequate, functional space for recreation programming and fitness classes that meet the needs and priorities of the community.* **9**

## GOAL 3. Inspire enjoyment, creativity, and wellness by offering a safe and rewarding experience in our parks, facilities and trails.

STRATEGIES

3.1. *Continue offering an exceptional outdoor recreation experience at Bear Creek Lake Park.* **14**

*3.2. Continue providing an outstanding venue for outdoor recreation and trail users at William F. Hayden Park on Green Mountain.* **12**

3.3. *Evaluate use of the City's trails and multi-use path system including, connectivity, user conflicts, design, safety and activity levels.* **13**

*3.4. Address the unique challenges associated with assisting people experiencing homelessness in City parks, open space and trails.* **20**

## GOAL 4. Connect the community to arts, parks and recreation facilities, programs and services, and empower residents to make the most of the opportunities available to them.

STRATEGIES

4.1. *Track metrics and develop a Community Resources Department marketing plan to ensure the continued delivery of consistent and impactful messaging through standardized practices and new communications tools.* **12**

4.2. *Maximize efficiency and effectiveness of department's family of publications.* **11**

*4.3. Continue marketing local and regional target market audiences and evaluate target markets on a regular basis to ensure focus on most relevant audiences.* **1**

*4.4. Continue implementing consistent visual messaging at all parks, facilities and trails.* **13**

## GOAL 5. Responsibly conserve vibrant arts, parks and recreational resources through preservation, sustainable practices and environmental stewardship.

STRATEGIES

5.1. *Coordinate Park operations and management to support the City of Lakewood Sustainability Plan.* **10**

5.2. *Conserve arts and cultural resources that represent Lakewood's identity and uniqueness through preservation, education, advocacy and partnerships.* **17**

5.3. *Continue as a leader in the metro area in low water landscapes in parks.* **13**

5.4. *Continue implementation of Natural Areas Management Plan to include entire park system native areas.* **14**

5.5. *Coordinate with the Lakewood Sustainability Division to advance the City's Energy, Water, and Built Environment Goals adopted as part of the 2015 Sustainability Plan during facility upgrades and new construction.* **12**

## GOAL 6. Enable physical, mental and social well-being by fostering a healthy community with equitable access to arts, parks, recreation, trails and open spaces.

STRATEGIES

6.1 *Establish best practices related to diversity and inclusivity to promote use of and participation in Community Resources facilities, activities and events.* **11**

6.2. *Remove financial barriers to participation by educating residents on various financial assistance opportunities available for all Community Resources facilities and programs.* **7**

6.3. *Provide arts, parks and recreation facilities that are inclusive and accessible to all abilities.* **16**

6.4. *Strive for equitable geographic distribution of parks.* **17**

6.5. *Strive for health equity by establishing facilities as community wellness hubs that reduce barriers to physical, mental and social health, especially in neighborhoods of greatest need.* ***8***

## Results of Budgeting Activity:

***Community members were provided with "money" stickers totaling $90 in $10, $15, and $20 increments and tasked with allocating their funding to the projects listed below.***

| | ***Project*** | ***Total Allocated*** |
|---|---|---|
| ***1*** | ***Existing Park Maintenance and Improvements*** | ***$410*** |
| ***2*** | ***Existing Facility Maintenance and Improvements*** | ***$380*** |
| ***3*** | ***Increased Staffing for park maintenance, lifeguards, etc.*** | ***$350*** |
| ***4*** | ***Trail Connections and Improvements*** | ***$360*** |
| ***5*** | ***New Dog Parks*** | ***$290*** |
| ***6*** | ***Upgrade Park Restrooms*** | ***$270*** |
| ***7*** | ***New Playgrounds*** | ***$260*** |
| ***8*** | ***Bike Amenities*** | ***$205*** |
| ***8*** | ***New Outdoor Pools/Water Play Features*** | ***$205*** |

## Comment Cards:

Comments: Thank you for hosting—I am looking forward to reading the results. Great Event!

Comments: I hope that the arts, parks, and open space and community ___ are all coordinating and taking into consideration "Lakewoods" unique opportunity to preserve open space, create community through school/public and small farm garden food sources, and applying regenerative practices for small economic devleopment

Comments: Parks and arts are really important! We need them.

Comments: Plan goal card #5 was cryptic in some ways and overly specific in others. For example, 5.5 requires the reader to know what the 2015 Sustainability Plan specifics are while 5.1 just says "coordinate operations and management." It is not clear how 5.1 and 5.5 differ from each other. Otherwise, fantastic event and well run. Thank you for allowing us to provide input.

Comments: Sustainability (water, energy, transportation, buildings) is very important! We all need to do more to address climate change, and the loss of biological diversity.

Comments: Hope they get the dog park—thank you for the food!

Comments: Thank you for the drinks and food!

## Appendix A5

# ROCKIN BLOCK PARTY POP-UP ENGAGEMENT BOOTH RESULTS

June 4, 2022 | Heritage Lakewood at Belmar Park

### 1. HOW DO YOU FIND OUT ABOUT ARTS, PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAMS NOW?

- Instagram (2 responses)
- Facebook (2 responses)
- 9 news
- Flyer
- Online
- Drive by
- Word of mouth
- Carmody rec center
- Sign
- Mail

### 2. HOW DO YOU WANT TO FIND OUT IN THE FUTURE?

- Email (4 responses)
- Text message (5 responses)
- Mailed notice
- E-newsletter
- Signs in buildings
- Mobile app (2 responses)

### 3. WOULD YOU SUPPORT A SMALL OFF LEASH DOG PARK IN EACH WARD?

- Yes = 41
- No = 2
- On the fence = 2

### 4. TOP INVESTMENT PRIORITIES FOR FACILITIES

- #1 = Nature Trails (21 votes and consistent with SSV Survey results)
- #2 = Open Space (12 votes)
- #3 = Multi Use Trails (9 votes and up 2 places from SSVS)
- #4 & #5 tie = Dog Parks and Conservatories
- #6 write-in = Splash Pads

### 5. TOP INVESTMENT PRIORITIES FOR PROGRAMS

- #1 = Canoe/Kayak/SUP (14 votes)
- #2 = Community events (12 votes)
- #3 = Arts & Cultural programs (5 votes)
- #4 = Older adult fitness (4 votes)
- #5 = Adult fitness (2 votes)

## Appendix A5

# CIDER DAYS POP-UP ENGAGEMENT BOOTH RESULTS

October 01, 2022 | Heritage Lakewood Belmar Park

### What dog park Amenities are most important to you?

| AMENITY | SUPPORTING VOTES |
|---|---|
| **Shade** | 14 |
| **Dog Waste Stations** | 17 |
| **Water Access** | 12 |
| **Trees** | 8 |
| **Walking Trail** | 10 |
| **Separate Large and Small Dog Play Areas** | 9 |
| **Natural Landscape** | 8 |
| **Shelter for Shade** | 4 |
| **Benches** | 4 |
| **Off-street Parking** | 6 |
| **Dog Agility and Play Features** | 5 |

**OTHER (write in):**

- Doggers who pick up after their dogs [3 votes supporting this comment]
- Dog police
- Restrooms [1 votes supporting this comment]
- Obedience training area separate from general play field [1 votes supporting this comment]
- Reservable times for dogs who are reactive and need space to explore and play in a fenced environment! [1 votes supporting this comment]
- Small dog area [1 votes supporting this comment]
- More energetic area vs chill area [1 votes supporting this comment]

## Would you support the following strategies if implemented by the Lakewood community resources department?

| STRATEGY | SUPPORTING VOTES |
|---|---|
| 1. Proactively consider the specialized needs of residents, such as activities that can be enjoyed by older adults, teens and those with disabilities. | 23 |
| 2. Provide adequate, functional space for recreation programming and fitness classes that meet the needs and priorities of the community. | 12 |
| 3. Continue offering an exceptional outdoor recreation experience at Bear Creek Lake Park. | 19 |
| 4. Develop a Community Resources department marketing plan to ensure continued delivery of impactful messaging through standardized practices and new communication tools. | 3 |
| 5. Continue as a leader in the metro area in providing low water landscapes in parks. | 18 |
| 6. Remove financial barriers to participation by educating residents on financial assistance opportunities available for Community Resources facilities and programs. | 5 |

**OTHER (write in):**

- More trash cans in park and along trails
- Outdoor fitness court [2 votes supporting this comment]
- Open water swimming at Soda Lake! [2 votes supporting this comment]

| Comment ID | Date posted | Page | Comment | Bubble location number | Agree | Disagree |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 9706 | 04/05/2023 - 4:55pm | 9 | This is true. 20th Ave from Wads east to about Pierce has little to no sidewalks. It's a bus route and main thoroughfare. Kids walk to Jefferson HS daily. It's unsafe, and hard to access parks/trails.<br>Aviation Park is messy and usually there's lots of homeless. It would be nice to see the rough half of it be actual green grass. or a dog park. | #001 | 2 | 0 |
| 9696 | 04/04/2023 - 10:29am | 18 | This last point is critical, particularly in the context of events that preclude access to open parks for large amounts of time. For example- the Camp Christmas event in Belmar prevents visitors from entering the public space from October to February, and makes it very difficult to access the surrounding lake trails. On top of that, the workers of this event have been known to harass and threaten community members who mistakenly encroach on the area while they are setting up. | #002 | 0 | 0 |
| 9697 | 04/04/2023 - 10:33am | 22 | Do we have any previous data on this? I'd be curious to see a time-series analysis of this indicator as it seems like very recently Lakewood has seen an influx of younger newer homeowners. | #003 | 0 | 0 |
| 9883 | 04/16/2023 - 5:54pm | 25 | Residents were not asked about their support for the acquisition of additional park/open space in under served areas of the City and their support for additional park/open space as infill development occurs. Because they were not asked, support for these actions cannot be compared to support for other actions such as support for a new central recreation center. | #004 | 2 | 0 |
| 9884 | 04/16/2023 - 6:45pm | 26 | It is regrettable that Wheat Ridge was not included as a benchmark. Many residents of northern Lakewood patronize the Wheat Ridge rec center because it is such a stellar facility. It would be informative to be able to compare Wheat Ridge's operating and capital improvement budgets to Lakewood's.<br><br>There are seven benchmark agencies. Lakewood is not a benchmark agency and by including Lakewood in the statistics for the seven benchmark agencies, Lakewood is being compared to Lakewood.<br><br>For instance, in the Total Park Acreage table it is stated "In total acres, the benchmark agencies range from 3093 acres to 46,800 acres. Lakewood ranks fifth out of the benchmark agencies in total park acreage and is well below the benchmark median of 16,824 acres. " This statement is incorrect.<br><br>A correct statement would be: In total acres, the benchmark agencies range from 3093 acres to 46,800 acres. The median of the seven benchmark agencies in total acres is Broomfied at 8319 acres. At 7474 total park acres, Lakewood is slightly below the median of 8319 acres for the seven benchmark agencies.<br><br>Here is a possibility of how to change the tables. Lakewood is separated from the benchmarks. The average and the median of the benchmarks are presented first, then data from the actual benchmarks are presented.<br><br>Acres of Parkland<br>Lakewood 7,474<br><br>Average of Benchmarks 18,160<br>Median of Benchmarks 8,319<br><br>Apex 3,584<br>Boulder 46,800<br>Broomfield 8,319<br>Denver 20,000<br>Fort Collins 29,712 | #005 | 2 | 0 |
| 9887 | 04/17/2023 - 1:22am | 26 | Wheat Ridge does need to be included as a benchmark. Wheat Ridge Recreation Center is by far the preferred recreation center to Many northern Lakewood residents. Northern Lakewood residents actually pay an increased rate for membership to the Wheat Ridge Rec Center, but are willing to pay the increased rate due to the quality of the facility & programs/leagues. A WR Rec Center membership also provides access to the Anderson Center on 44th/Garrison, which has both an outdoor pool & lap pool. | #005 | 0 | 0 |

| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 9885 | 04/16/2023 - 7:27pm | 27 | A segment of the population which is not fully addressed in the Equity Analysis is the segment of the population which lives in high density neighborhoods. Household density varies widely across Lakewood. For instance Census block 1004-tract 105800 is single family residential and has 16 households spread over 5.2 acres for a density of 3.1 households per acre. Census block 1011-census tract 015800 is multistory apartments and has 312 households on 10.3 acres for a density of 30.3 households per acre. Higher density areas are more in need of public park/open space than lower density areas and this need should be fully accounted for in the Equity Analysis. | #006 | 2 | 0 |
| 9700 | 04/05/2023 - 10:28am | 32 | It would be nice to see language specifically addressing the lack of dog parks and off-leash-friendly areas in the city. | #007 | 2 | 0 |
| 9703 | 04/05/2023 - 2:28pm | 32 | Please! This park has become overcrowded and dangerous since the pandemic. I would like to see even/odd days to separate mountain bikers and hikers. It is almost impossible to bring a young kid or dog on this trail without having an altercation with a mountain biker. I think all outdoor enthusiasts would have a better experience if this measure were taken. | #008 | 1 | 0 |
| 9698 | 04/04/2023 - 9:20pm | 32 | This in particular is important. Having a paved trail system that provides safe access for pedestrians with or without dogs, with or without strollers/children, and with or without walkers/wheelchairs is key. In addition, the other wheeled types of use (bike, scooter, skate board, roller blade) need consideration. In my experience these are the main conflicts and anything that can be done to ensure all trail users can be safe is key. | #009 | 2 | 0 |
| 9704 | 04/05/2023 - 3:03pm | 32 | Please re-open the Green Mountain Rec on Sundays. Indoor pool access is already limited and having access (again) to this pool on Sundays would be helpful. | #010 | 1 | 0 |
| 9699 | 04/04/2023 - 9:25pm | 32 | Planning out regularly spaced trash/recycle bins along the trail system is important. I have seen the area I use most go from good coverage to bad and recently to worse. Keeping the parks and trails clean of trash and dog poo is in everyone's best interest. | #011 | 2 | 0 |
| 9886 | 04/16/2023 - 7:55pm | 42 | Despite the difficulties, the City also has a true need to invest in parks/open space in infill areas as development occurs so the City is not creating new under served areas. | #012 | 1 | 0 |