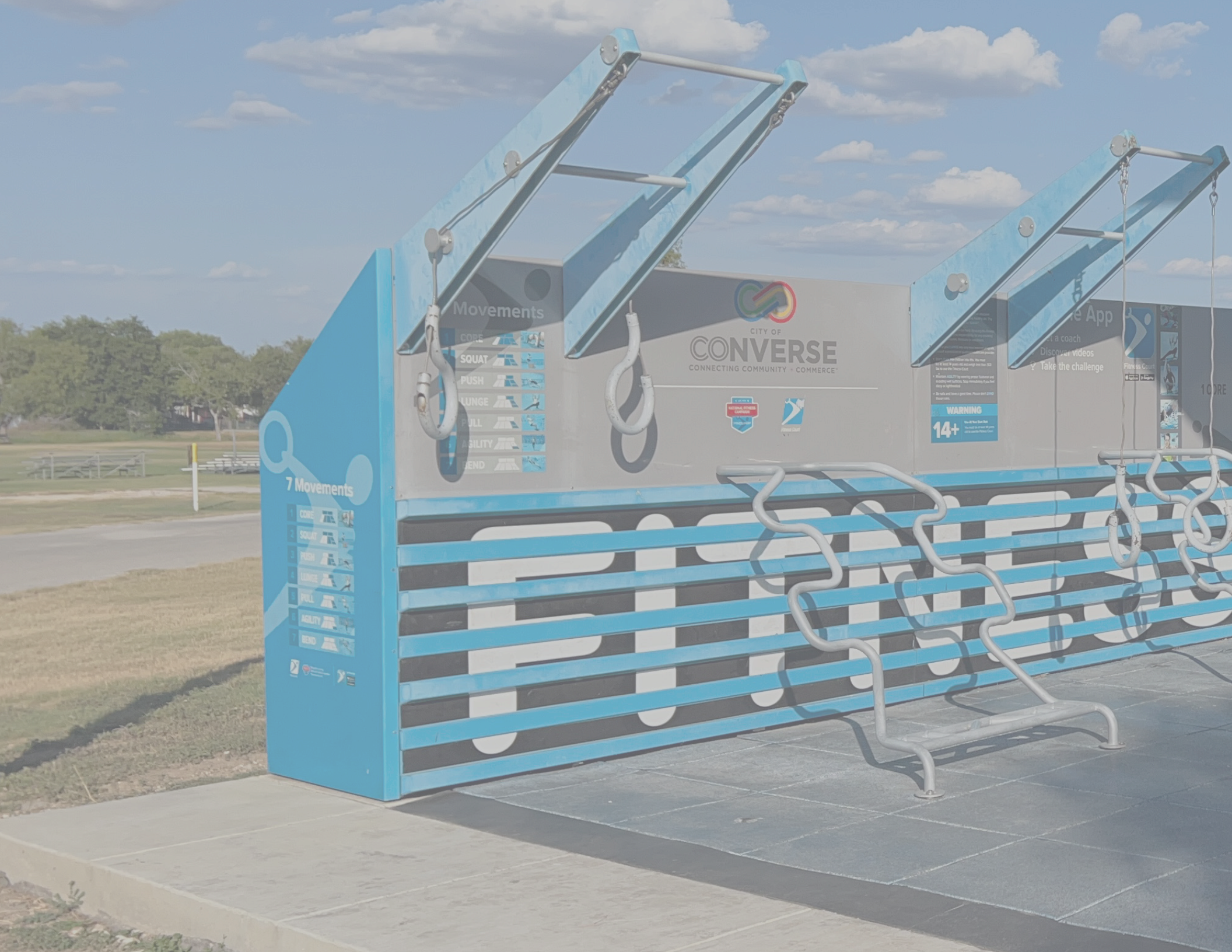

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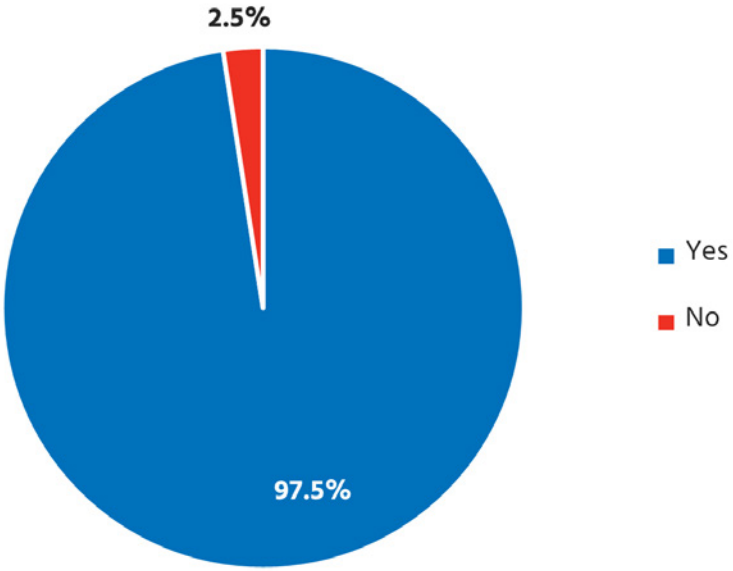


APPENDIX B
PARKS, RECREATION & OPEN SPACE ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY

Converse Economic Development Corporation Parks Survey

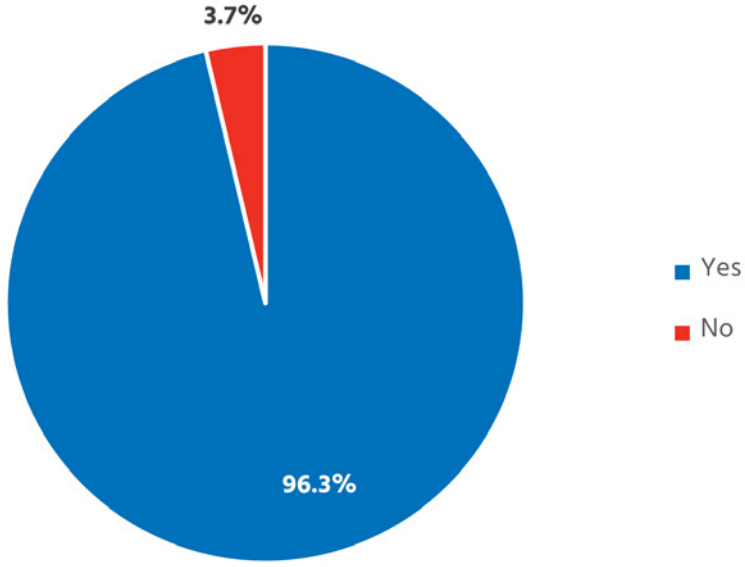
A comprehensive 30-question public survey focusing on parks was conducted during the planning process to gather input from a wide range of Convere residents and stakeholders. The survey, open for approximately one month from April to May 2024, received just over 200 responses.

1. Are you a Converse Resident?



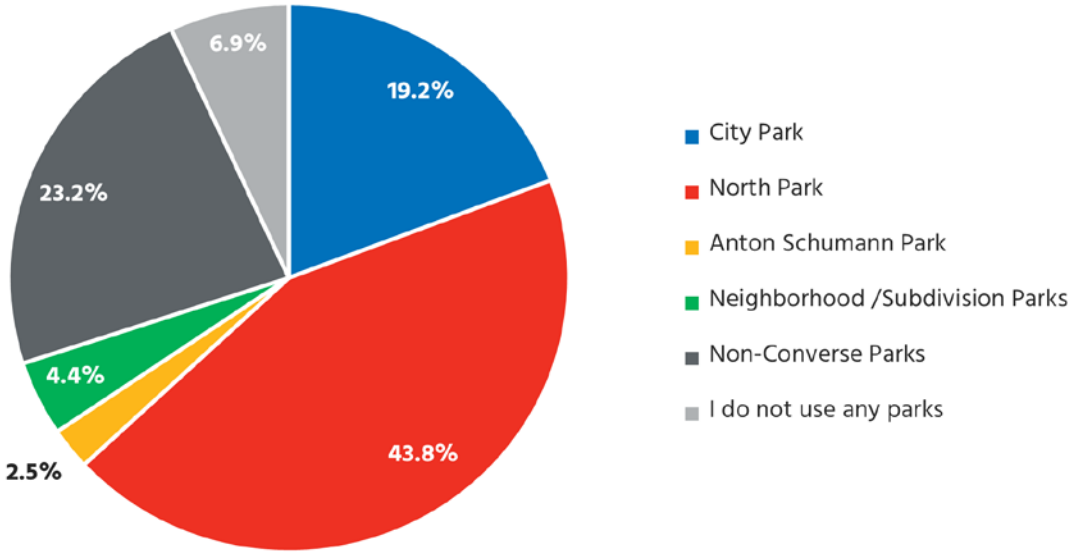
The overwhelming majority of respondents to the EDC parks Survey reside in the City of Converse (97.5%), while only a few respondents are not residents (2.5%).

2. Have you every visited one of our Converse Parks? (North Park, City Park, Schumann Park)



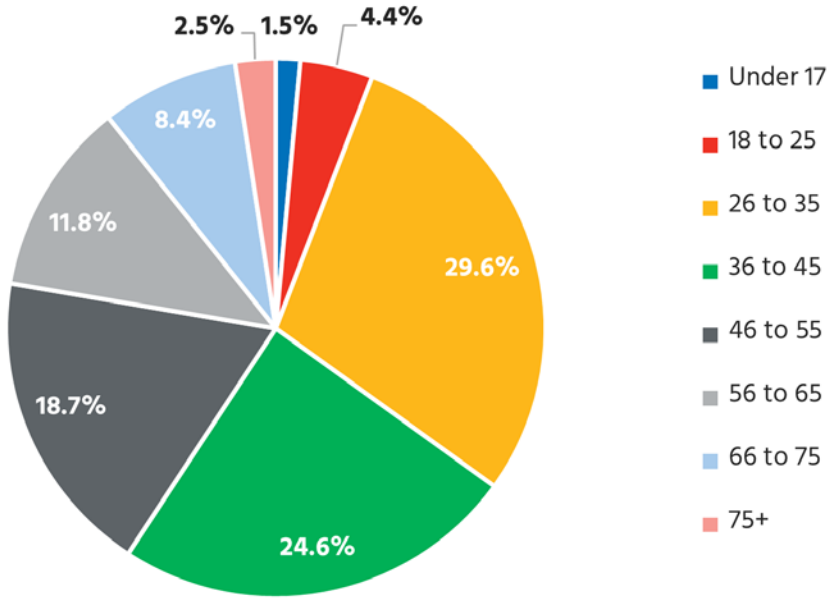
When asked whether they have visited one of the City of Converse's parks, the majority of respondents answered yes (96.3%).

3. Which park facility do you use most often?



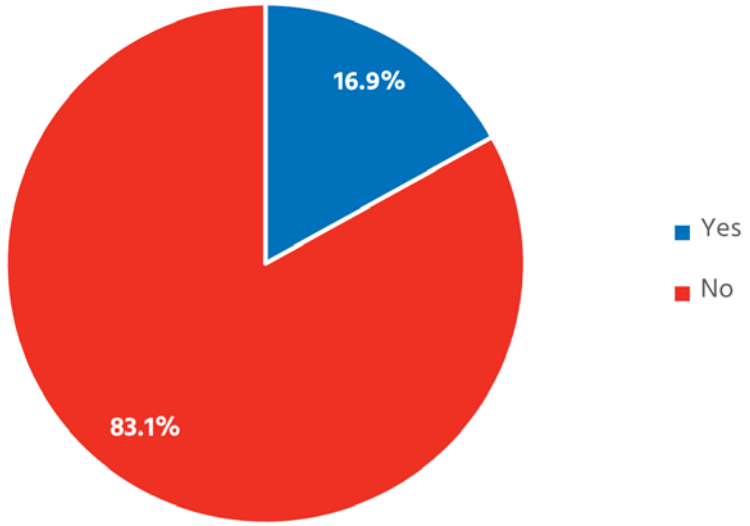
The park in Converse that receives the most use among respondents is North Park (43.8%) followed by City Park (19.2%). A significant percentage of respondents mostly use parks that are not operated by the City of Converse (23.2%).

4. What is your age?



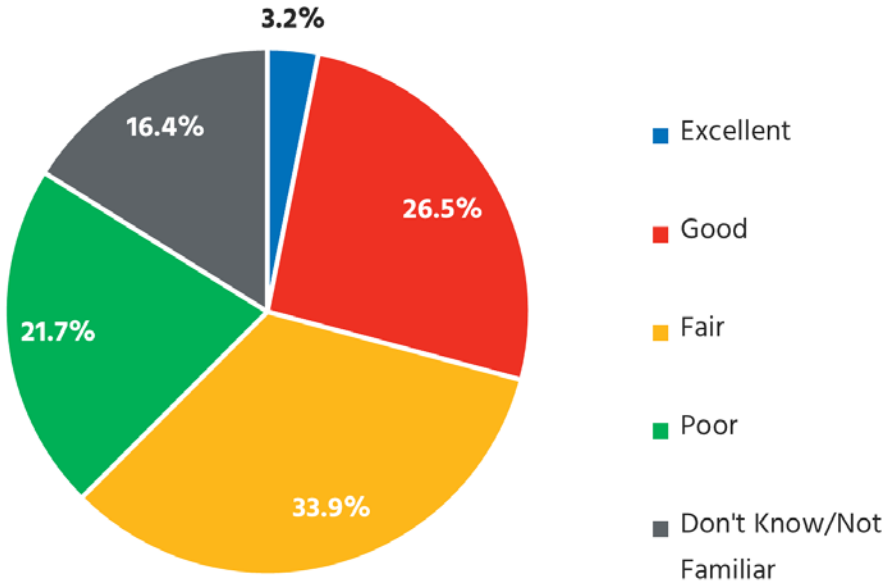
Most respondents to the EDC's Parks survey are working age adults with the largest age groups being 26 to 35 years old (29.6%), 36 to 45 years old (24.5%), and 40 to 55 years old (18.7%). Notably, a small percentage of the respondents were below the age of 17 (1.5%) or aged 75 and older (2.5%).

5. Would you be interested in helping with fundraisers?



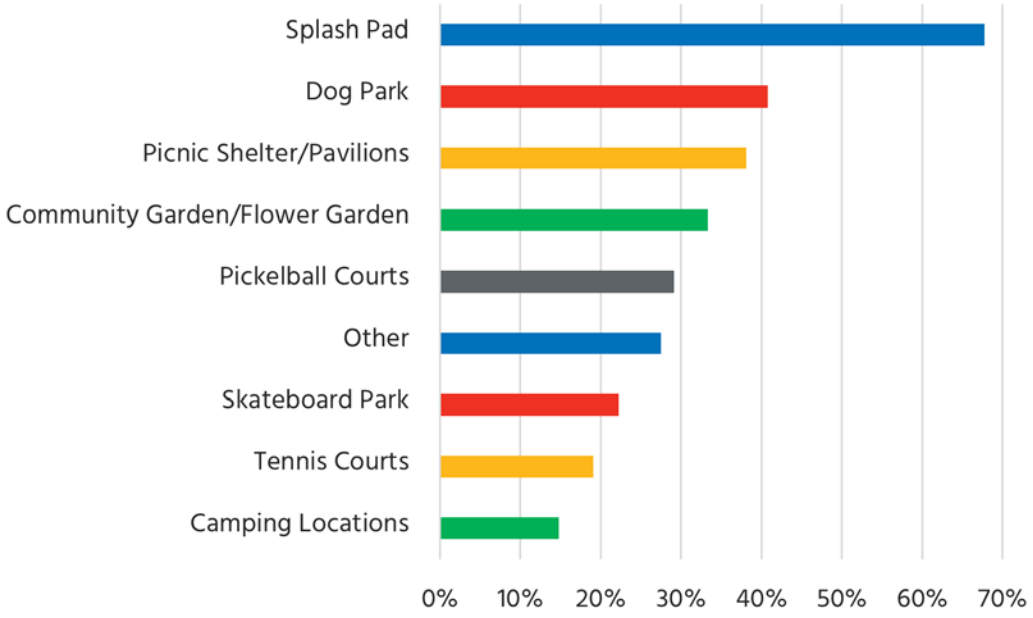
While the large majority of respondents are not interested in helping with fundraisers (83.1%) for the City's Parks and Recreation, several respondents are (16.9%). 27 people provided their email or a comment related to fundraising.

6. Overall, how would you rate the recreation program opportunities in Converse?



Most respondents gave the recreation program opportunities in Converse a “Fair” (33.9%) rating with slightly more people rating them as “Good” (26.5%) over “Poor” (21.7%). Only a few respondents gave the City of Converse’s recreation program opportunities an “Excellent” (3.2%) rating while other respondents are “Not familiar” (16.4%).

7. What athletic or recreational facility would you like to see added? (You can choose more than one)

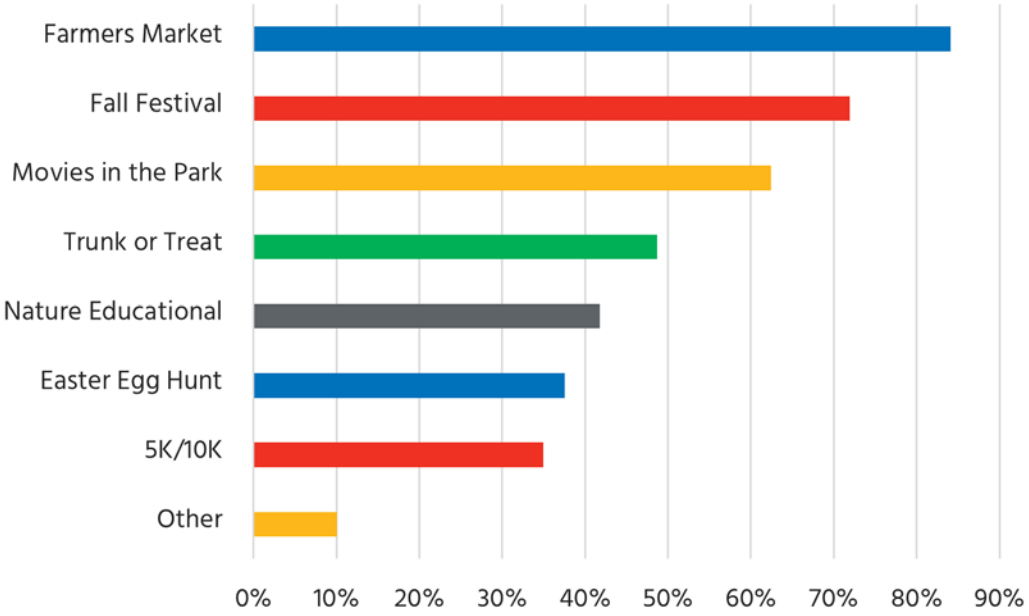


The main athletic or recreational facility that respondents want to see in the City of Converse is a splash pad (67.7%) followed by a dog park (40.7%), and picnic shelters and pavilions (38.1%). Tennis courts (19.1%) and camping locations (14.8%) received the least interest. Other responses included trails for walking and biking, soccer fields, and upgraded playground equipment.

Other (please specify):

- Amphitheater
- Would love to see a brand new pool facility. The pool we currently have is small and run down, closed more than half the year.
- Bike Trails/Greenway Connection
- More hiking trails, another pool
- Well designed and paved walking/biking trails, Covered/shaded areas for exercise classes, places to canoe/kayak
- Toddler area
- An amphitheater for live concerts
- Upgraded playscapes, well maintained playgrounds
- Young families need more outdoor spaces and activities for the kids.
- It be nice for certain departments so show photos with the community, not how there favors are, it's a shame Converse has favors and just mingle With certain people.
- Basketball courts
- Updated park playground areas that include shade and seating
- Well maintained nature trails
- Exercise/Walking trails
- More SAFE walking paths. Safe from people up to no good and safe from stray dogs. I don't even walk my neighborhood anymore cuz of stray dogs. I'd like a place to walk safe from that
- SHADE AT PARKS
- More trees
- Disc Golf Course
- Shade structures
- Soccer field
- Soccer goals
- More hiking trails
- Gaga ball
- An all-inclusive public park for everyone including families that have convicts. There is no where for these families to enjoy but yet they pay taxes. LGBTQ+++ also Everyone!
- Disc Golf Course
- Volleyball sand court
- Walking paths
- Movie theater
- Pool house
- Big playground for my kids
- Basketball court
- Any other kinds of amenities for families. We pay HOA & do not have any kind of amenities.
- Soccer fields
- Parks, pools, and trails. Near Greytown road off 1604 (think Santa Clara new development community). There's only gas stations and a couple fast food spots. Nothing for the community to get together or get outside.
- Trail walks
- Would LOVE a pickleball court at North Park.
- Walking Park behind Copperfield
- Shaded walking trails -bird blind -Nature viewing area -trees
- Recreational Center, basketball court volleyball court board games room ping pong , etc
- Walking/bike trails with mile markers
- More exercise equipment
- More native plants... some trees wouldn't hurt at north park
- More playgrounds
- Bike trails walking trails
- Overhead connection / bridge over Gibbs Sprawl connecting parks
- Bowling!
- Sand Volleyball Court
- Better playgrounds and more amenities overall!
- Pellet/Bb gun range so young kids can learn gun safety

8. What events would you be interested in attending?

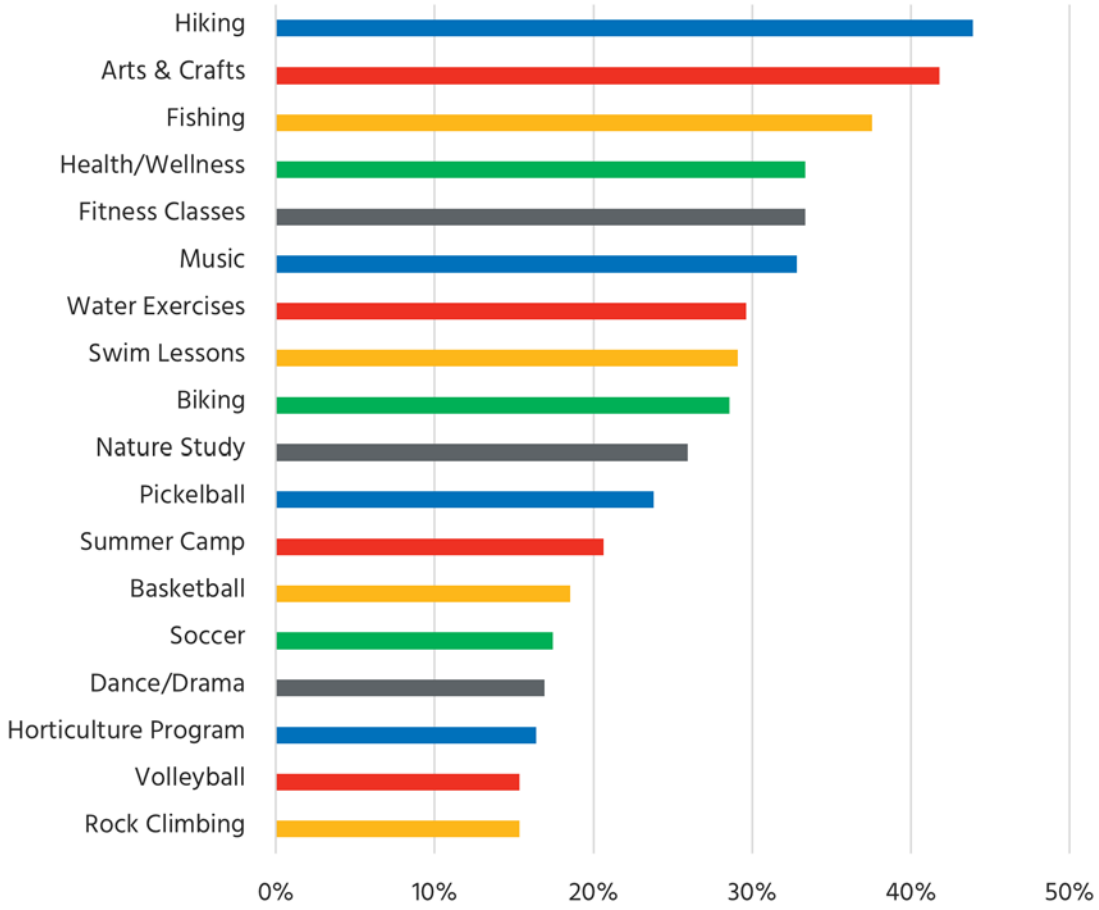


When asked what kind of events they would be interested in attending, the majority of respondents expressed interest in a Farmers Market (84.3%) along with a Fall Festival (72%) and Movies in the Park (62.4%). The most common event suggested among "Other" (10%) responses is live music in the parks.

Other (please specify):

- Live music
- Kids Fishing Tournament
- Free fruit tree giveaway/gardening events
- Bike Events
- Live music, plays, community performances
- Tree lighting
- Concerts in the Park
- I've never attended an event
- Fitness yoga or zumba
- I have 3 boys and they love all events!
- Vendors included in fundraising to the community
- Food truck park. Concessions in the park. Update Converse pool with slides , more shaded areas/ picnic areas
- Music concerts in the park
- It would be really cool if there were events for mental health month & pride month!
- It would be awesome to have mental health month events, as well as pride month events.
- None because the parks are horrible!

9. In which recreation programs or activities would you or members of your household be most interested in participating? (Mark those you would be **most** interested in participating)

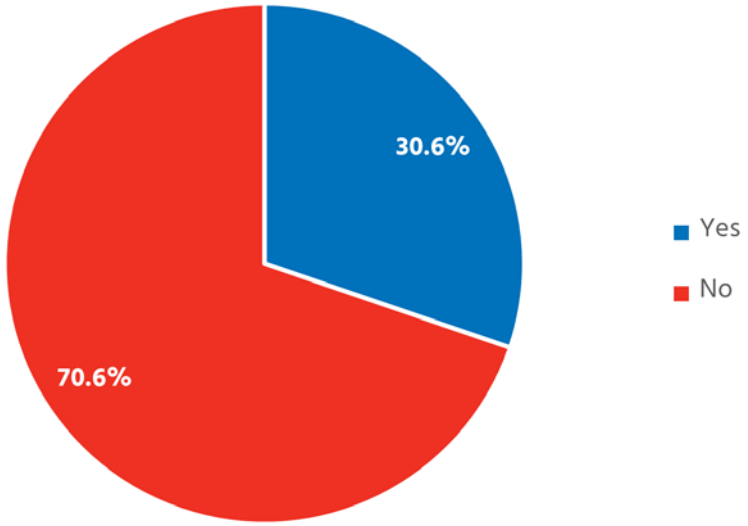


When respondents were asked to select which recreational of programs they or members of their household would be want to participate in, hiking (43.9%), arts and crafts (41.8%), and fishing (37.6%) received the most interest.

Other (please specify):

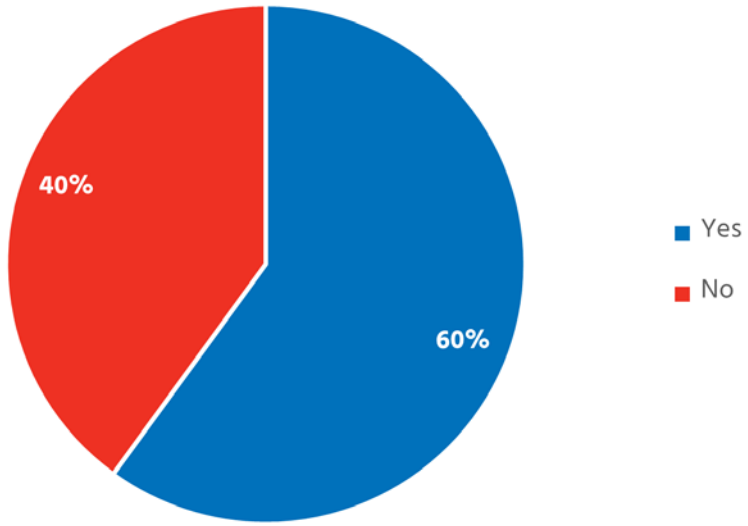
- We have a huge community with Autistic children. We also need sensory friendly parks.
- Professional Wrestling
- Safe walking paths as stated above
- Walking/ Running
- Boating, kayaking
- Walking and just enjoying being together outside in nature. All inclusive!
- Yoga
- Swimming pool with water slides for all ages. a nice splash pad with Pavillion for all ages.
- Something to cool down and get together.
- Telescope tower Astronomy
- Birding
- Vintage cars
- Walking

10. Would you be interested in volunteering to help with Parks & Recreation events?



Although most respondents are not interested in volunteering to help Parks & Recreation events (70.6%), some respondents are (30.6%). 38 people provided their email or a comment related to volunteering.

11. Do you visit City Park?



Over half of respondents visit City Park (60%), while nearly half of respondents have not (40%)

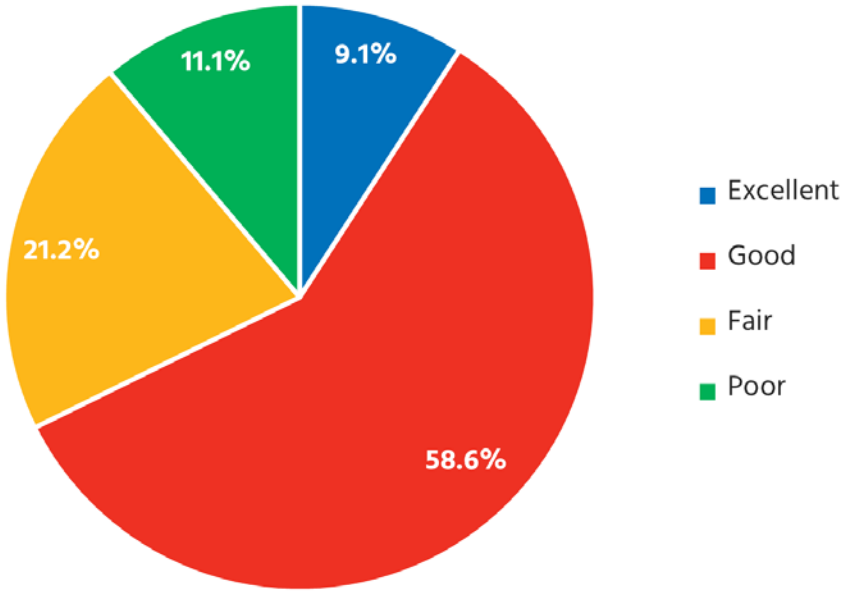
12. If not, what would make you interested in using this park?



Other (please specify):

- Special events
- Sensory friendly parks, with splash pads, larger
- Fun activities
- Access
- Well designed and planned paved with concrete walking/biking trails that are shaded
- List of activities available
- Bathroom cleanliness
- It 'seems" too secluded for my safety
- Less secluded
- I don't know where it is
- ennis courts, pickleball courts, make it more welcoming.
- North park is closer to us
- Never heard of it
- I guess if there were a more convenient route to it. Or if it were just better than North Park.
- Nothing too far to go
- More publicity on what is available and where.
- I did not realize there was a park over there. I usually visit the neighborhood park
- Skateboard Park.
- If it had NO restrictions for prior convicts so my family and other families could be all inclusive.
- City events, family events
- It's too far from my house. We need something closer to the 1604 side of converse
- Closer to home and hopefully up to date playground for my kids
- The closer proximity
- I actually didn't know about this park but after googling it I'm going to visit with my kids.
- Too far away
- More shade/trees. more paved parking.
- Better shade, benches, landscaping
- Birding/nature. A park should be a park, not a sports complex
- More shade
- More natives
- I'm new here. Haven't explored but plan to.
- Pool, activities update
- I used to go there when I was younger but I don't have much reason to now that I'm older.
- I would be interested in going to events!
- I don't go there anymore. I went there when I was younger. I think it just doesn't suit my interests now that I'm a young adult.
- I live around the corner from North Park.
- Better playgrounds! Converse Parks are just horrible. My kids don't even enjoy them.
- I could walk there if I didn't have to cross Gibbs-Sprawl

13. Overall, how would you rate the condition of City Park?



Over two thirds of respondents gave City Park a rating of "Good" (58.6%) or "Excellent" (9.1%). The second most common rating after "Good" was "Fair" (21.2%) followed by "Poor" (11.1%).

14. Why would you give it this rating?

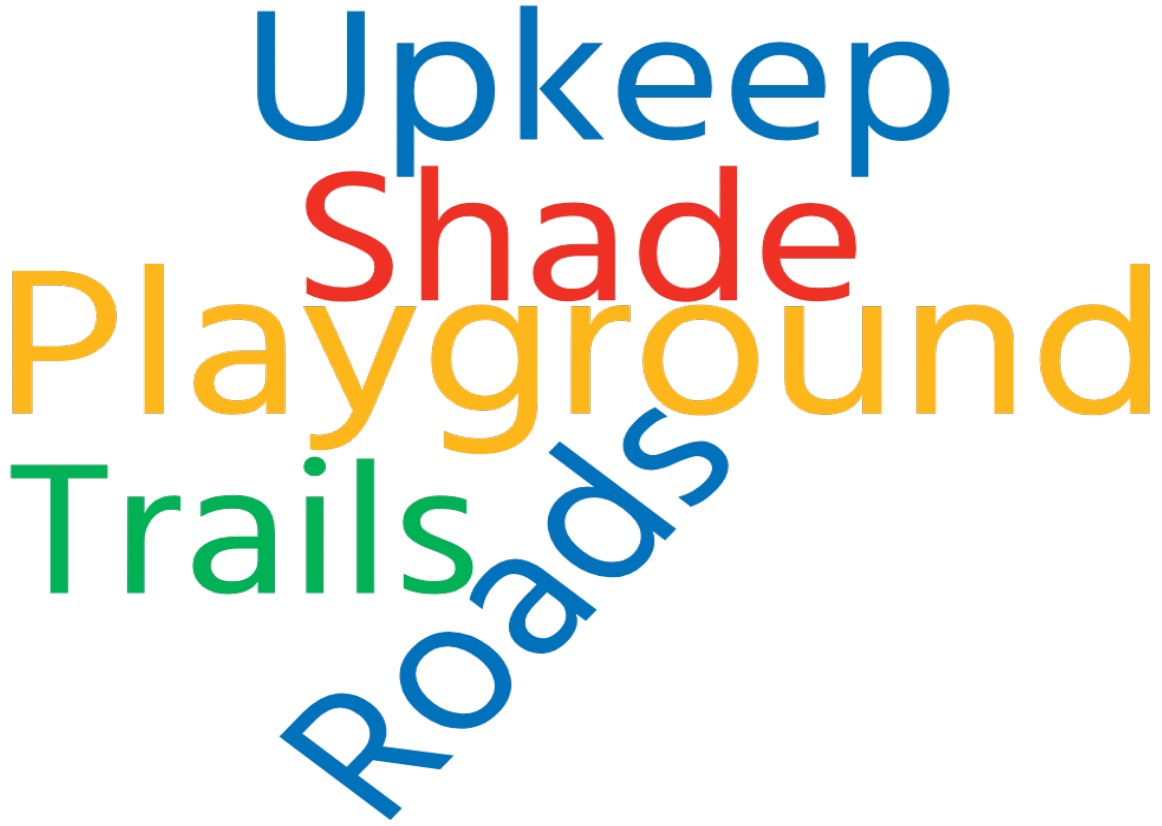


Other (please specify):

- Pavilion needs painting. Bleachers and ball fields are run down. Not enough trees/shade. Feels like two parks because you can't drive from one side to the other. Parking lots are terrible and need resurfacing/ painting of lines.
- Trash
- Could be better
- Overall appearance
- Great park
- It is a lovely outdoor space, particularly by the pond.
- Lack of seating areas
- Clean, grass mown, pavilions clean
- Could be better
- It's showing it's age & could use some improvements
- I take my Nephew over there and he has a good time.
- Needs more play sets
- Needs to b kept up sooner. Cut grass more often.
- Would like to see recreational activity
- Clean and inviting atmosphere
- Clean
- Not a lot to do if you aren't in to sports
- It could be better
- Could have better upkeep. Lack of bbq pits
- Shade trees are dying, few
- The open spaces of the parks are really nice. I would like the playgrounds astro turfed.
- There is room for improvement.
- It's large
- Run down
- Baseball field are not in useable condition, benches need repair. Playground is too small. Huge area with potential for more playspace
- Nothing is maintained, the whole park is in poor condition. The bathrooms are terrible, the roads are awful and the pool area is disgraceful.
- Need less 4 wheel vehicles invading and irritating families who are trying to enjoy their time in the park
- It has a variety of things for a family to d
- It need more trees
- Could use some fresh paint on the pavilion
- The ground around the park area isn't level not allowing our older family members to walk out to swings etc
- Needs minor upkeep
- Fitness court
- Maintained pretty well. Standing water stinks and no water fountains.
- It is well maintained.
- Trash, no working water fountains, leash laws not being enforced
- Lots of space and kept clean
- Park and baseball looks good.
- Lots of open undeveloped nature
- Overall, I have had a good experience at this park. My family and I enjoy the walking trails.
- The area
- The playground is nice, but needs more sidewalks connecting from parking lot for strollers
- It was pre-COVID so memory is fuzzy
- Enhancing the roads by the pond area cleaning it up a little more sometimes it's a little scary to walk down there
- Sidewalks are damaged. Unkept dog bag locations. Water fountains don't work.
- Some equipment needs repairing. Love how open it is. Parking needs improvement.

- Clean
- Nice but showing wear
- Clean and all basic needs
- Clean and in good working condition
- Our parks look like they could stand an upgrade. They just need to be kept up better.
- Appears run down, could be phenomenal but needs landscaping and clean up. The space and size is fantastic but needs some TLC
- Needs more activities for all the land it has.
- Has pavilions and lots of space. Walking trails in woods.
- Feels worn down and old.
- It's needed to provide awareness
- Clean
- Poorly maintained
- Cleanliness
- Dilapidated pavilion, sparse grass, few play/workout materials
- It's very clean and nice. Need to add more lights
- Better than it used to be, I do see improvements
- Very clean but needs lights for guests that want to come in later or early during winter.
- I would like to see more things happening there for my grandkids to do
- Aside from cleaning trash there's no sign of maintenance at the park. Structures are old. Fields are uneven. Grass is dry. Pavilion could use a paint job
- Good improvements
- Needs more parking.
- Not much shade, little to do
- Well kept. Provides for various activities.
- Could be cleaner
- Jogging trails are uneven
- Variety of activities available
- Fairly clean and not too crowded
- Too woody
- North park the walk etc...track has crack I almost fell down it needs a recap to cover all the cracks thank you
- It's just ok.
- They are boring
- It's clean and signs are good.
- We need better nature trails
- Could use a lot of upgrades
- Everything has room for improvement
- Needs more activities
- Clean and fun for kids
- Haven't been to one here
- I enjoy walking at this park.
- The park by my house is awesome!
- Park equipment like 30 years old
- It's a nice park
- Walking trail needs cracks repaired
- Things can be worked on and fixed
- Playground is great, walking/bicycle trails great, baseball fields great, overall is great
- Nothing interest me there. The lake is trashy, not because the parks people aren't trying

15. If you could improve one thing about City Park, what would it be?



Other (please specify):

- Make it accessible from one side to the other.
- Clean up
- Drive ways
- Pool
- More things for kids
- Improved trails.
- Addition of more seating, kayak launch
- Add more hiking/bike trails
- Better swings
- The playground equipment
- Better pool
- Roads are extremely bumpy
- Adding recreational activities
- More shaded sitting areas
- Add splash pad
- Dog park
- More kids activities
- Add restrooms and bbq pits.
- More shade
- Astro turf playgrounds instead of wood mulch.
- Better people to make better decisions.
- Benches around the playscape.
- The restrooms
- Baseball fields and parking
- Actual upkeep of the grounds and equipment.
- Need better playground equipment and restroom updates
- I enjoy it when nobody is using the baseball field. I take my dog in so he can run safely with no other dogs around
- Splash pad, better landscaping, more flowers
- The only thing is more trees
- Adult playground
- More shade
- Maintaining the playground equipment
- Add a disc golf course
- Trees
- Water fountains
- More shade
- Trash clean up and continued clean up
- Adding more tree coverage to the front parking lot.
- Add soccer goals
- Trail markers
- I would keep up with the nature scene of the park. At times, the grass is over grown alongside the trail.
- Bigger playground, shade, splashpad
- More sidewalks from parking lot
- I would put more covered tables by the pond
- Improved walk ways
- Fixing equipment
- Improve sponge floor
- Pool and splash pad
- Better fishing
- More playgrounds
- Fix the pool and area around it
- Landscaping
- Make it more like Live Oak Park - put my taxes to work!
- More shade or trees.

- The pavilion - needs attention - the parking and just that area - paint, etc.
- Promoting, advertising include health outdoor classes
- Landscape
- Playground cleanliness
- Shade, please!
- More lighting for safety
- Better and more trees
- Lighting
- More pavilions for shade and activities
- Recreational programs for adults.
- Astronomy tower for Telescopes
- Parking
- More shade
- Indoor rec center for basketball, volleyball, along with a rec center room for indoor games like ping pong and board games
- Shade and cleanness
- More shade
- Events inviting the community
- Make it more scenic
- Too secluded, more lighting
- Put a walking trail
- More trails
- Better involvement in the community getting people out and about
- Put out signs at high lakes of when they were stocked with fish.
- Playgrounds are horrible and outdated
- More trails
- Roads
- Room for improvement
- A splash pad and pickle ball court
- Better sand volleyball court
- Haven't been to one here
- Re-pave the walking path
- Better lighting
- The playground and pavilion
- A fenced in area for dogs
- Dog fountains never work!!
- Spacing
- Adding more benches
- It's a perfect place for an adult supervised children's gun safety. Pellet/BB only

16. If you could add one amenity to City Park, what would it be?

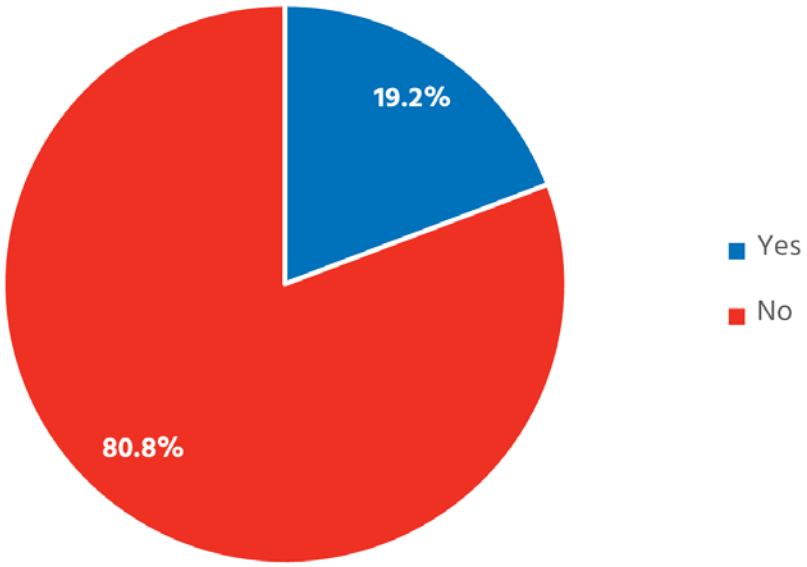


Other (please specify):

- Amphitheater
- Splash pad or tennis courts
- Splash pad
- Splash pad and sensory
- Camping.
- Not sure
- Proper pool facility open year round
- Greenway Trail connecting through greenbelt behind CASI
- Trees
- Dog agility
- Dog area
- Well designed and planned paved with concrete walking/biking trails with adequate shade on the trail
- Never been
- Splash pad
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- More covered picnic areas
- Make it more spacious
- Less seclusion
- Splash pads
- Basketball
- Splash pad
- A track with tennis and pickleball courts
- Not sure, we've never been there
- More fun gym for kids
- Dog park
- Splash pad
- I don't know
- Water park
- Restrooms by lake
- Extended pool hours (by 1 hour)
- Yes
- Splash pad with nearby restrooms.
- Not sure. Maybe Splash Pad. I would probably go more then.
- Give it to the police department to get them involved also to stop crime at the same time.
- Splash pad.
- Splash pad
- Basketball
- More play ground equipment
- Not sure. I've never been there
- Disc golf
- Rest areas on walking trails.
- Paddle boat options
- Maybe a gated walking area that people can walk in that no stray dogs can get into
- Trees
- Community Garden
- I have never been, so don't know what amenities it does or doesn't have
- Not sure
- More shade
- Disc golf course
- Drinking fountains or bottle refill stations
- Trees
- Batting cages

- Soccer field
- I have no suggestions
- Dog park
- Working water fountains, one away from the playground maybe
- Exercise
- Canoe kayak launch
- Better restroom facilities better facilities for people teenagers
- Skate park area for my child to enjoy
- More benches and trees
- Splash pad
- Shaded picnic tables
- Splash pad
- Playground
- More water fountains
- Splash pad
- Splash pad
- Splash pad
- I'm not sure
- Shade or pavillions
- Basketball court
- Basketball courts
- Up to date playground
- Basketball court or tennis court
- Splash pad
- More benches around the fishing area or picnic tables
- Splash pad
- Swimming pool
- Splash pad
- More hiking trails
- Water
- Waterside or splash pad for all ages.

17. Do you visit Schumann Park?



A large majority of respondents (80.8%) have never been to Schumann Park although some have (19.2%).

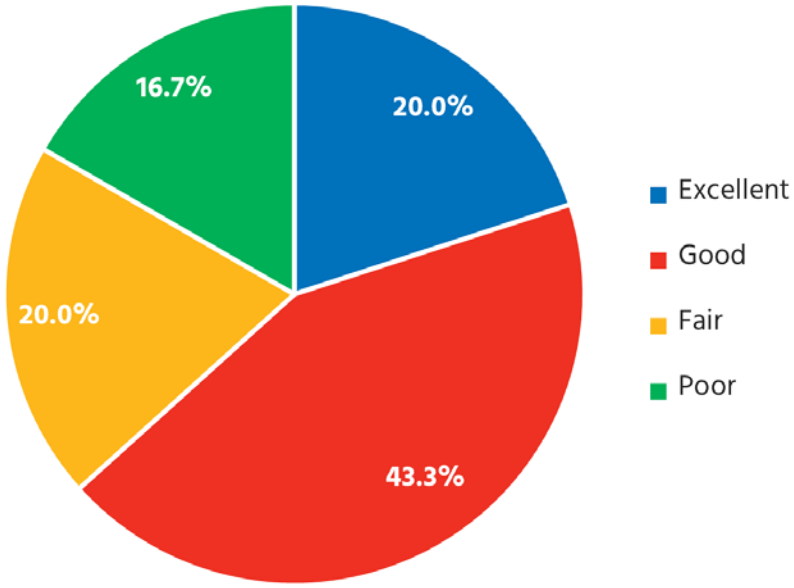
18. If not, what would make you interested in using this park?



Other (please specify):

- Honestly, I haven't been to this park yet, so I can't really make a comment.
- Same response as previous
- I've never heard of it.
- Not sure
- Kayaking
- Don't know where this one is
- Dog park
- Not sure
- Less seclusion
- Never heard of it actually
- Benches under trees
- Picnic
- Out of the way
- If I heard more about it. Didn't know we had it.
- Unaware it existed
- More events.
- What does it have to offer
- Don't even know where it is!
- I usually go to the neighborhood park
- Make it bigger
- Trails
- This park is very close and near my home but so hidden that at times I forget it's even there.
- Events and festivals
- If I knew where it was
- More information about it-larger?
- I don't know what park that is
- Don't know where it's located
- The amenities
- It looks nice. I'll have to visit. Didn't know of it.
- I really only use the parks at this point due to my work.
- I didn't know about this park either but it looks great for hiking
- More awareness that it exists more advertised
- Not interested
- Playground
- Knowing where it is, and that it exists!
- Long trails to walk in
- I've never heard of this park
- A larger park
- Tennis
- Splash pad
- More awareness that the park exists
- Unknown
- Too far from where I live
- I don't know where it is.
- I'm new here. Haven't explored but plan to.
- From the pictures, all I see is a walking trail.
- Pickleball
- Making it bigger
- I don't really have much information on this park. Not sure where it is.
- I have never heard of this park.
- I don't understand how this is even labeled a park.
- Never heard of this park
- No reason

19. Overall, how would you rate the condition of Schumann Park?



The condition of Schuman Park primarily mostly received positive ratings with the most common choice among respondents being "Good" (43.3%), with "Excellent" (20%) and "Fair" (20%) tied for second. The least amount of respondents gave Schuman Park a "Poor" (16.7%) rating.

20. Why would you give it this rating? Please give specific examples.



Other (please specify):

- The natural trails are neatly cut. It's the newest one so it doesn't look tired.
- Love the natural setting
- Walking trails are poorly designed, too narrow, not shaded
- Needs more covered area
- Clean
- Good walking trail but short
- It's cute
- It's good for the size and what it's meant for (walking)
- Not very interesting
- I only visited once before it officially opened
- See prior comment
- No reason
- Went once for a boy scout campout. Quite nice but lacking amenities
- Home is closed to public
- Small
- More hiking trails, restroom facilities, old home for events
- Don't find camping in the city often. Good alternative for people wanting to test the waters before investing too much.
- Since this is a nature park, it is kept in very good condition. I think the trail could be extended.
- Clean
- It's so cute and secluded. i love the antique house. we love sitting under the big tree
- Pick it areas are not covered
- It's small and really nothing to do. The trail is so short it's not worth going
- Love the flora diversity
- It's a simple park more nature/ natural related
- Small
- Feels like it needs more like live oak park.
- The water, the huge trail, both kids park. There is enough room for everyone
- It's not a place I would use, however I know how much work went into it. It should be dedicated for Metroplex scouting use

21. If you could improve one thing about Schumann park, what would it be?



Other (please specify):

- Give me a reason to go there other than natural walking trails.
- Longer trails
- Need water where people can canoe and kayak
- Add more playground equipment
- Add more soft floors for kids playground
- Possibly expansion into adjoining property.
- Lighting?
- Nothing
- More family engagement events with snacks and hydration
- Unknown
- More shade areas
- Nothing, nice quiet park
- Add amenities
- Na
- Open home for activities
- Label trails better
- See above
- Trails and signs need repair
- The addition of good solid picnic tables
- None
- Better walking paths. the garden box by the memorial bench isn't kept up. they could do with more picnic tables.
- Parking
- The community garden is a wreck
- Tear down some of the houses nearby and let nature reclaim the land
- Nothing
- Longer walking area
- Cleanliness
- More gravel on the paved roads
- Na
- For its use, I would add nothing

22. If you could add one amenity to Schumann Park, what would it be?

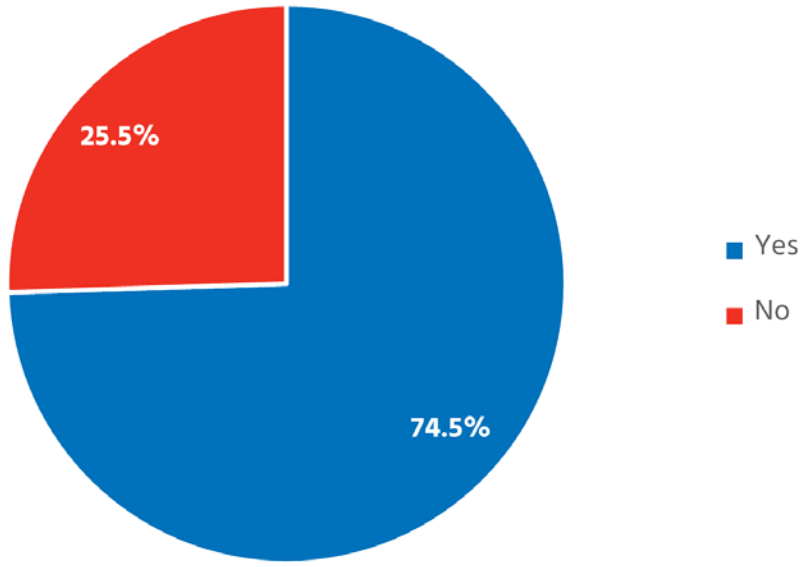


Other (please specify):

- Community garden
- Not sure
- Better access and promotion.
- Garden
- Splash pad
- Same response as previous
- Not sure
- Kayak launch
- Dog area
- None
- See above
- Never been
- Nothing
- Benches
- Add more trees plants
- Less seclusion
- Make it well known?
- Baseball
- Not sure, we've never been there
- Add more covered tables
- Dog park
- Not sure
- I don't know
- Kids activities
- More tables with bbq grills
- Yes
- Splash Pad
- Unknown because I have not been here.
- Water fountain
- None
- Nothing
- Not sure never been there
- Better bathrooms
- Location?
- Need park benches and better interactive accessories for the families.
- Unsure
- Have not been
- Not familiar with this park
- More shade area
- Public restrooms
- Benches
- Open home and garage for public
- Dog park
- Soccer field
- Never been
- Walking trails
- Don't know
- I'm not sure
- Haven't visited enough
- See above
- More benches
- Bathroom
- Make it larger
- Playground
- Drinking Water fountains
- Can't say

- Not sure
- Nothing
- Basketball
- Splash pad
- Not sure
- Never been
- None
- Splash pad
- Disc golf
- Not sure. Haven't been yet
- Uncertain, need to go visit. Does it have room for a community garden?
- A playground or a nature playground like Phil Hardberger park
- I don't know the park I could not tell
- None
- Nothing
- Basketball courts
- Splash pad

23. Do you visit North Park?



Most respondents have visited North Park (74.5%), although approximately a quarter have not (25.5%)

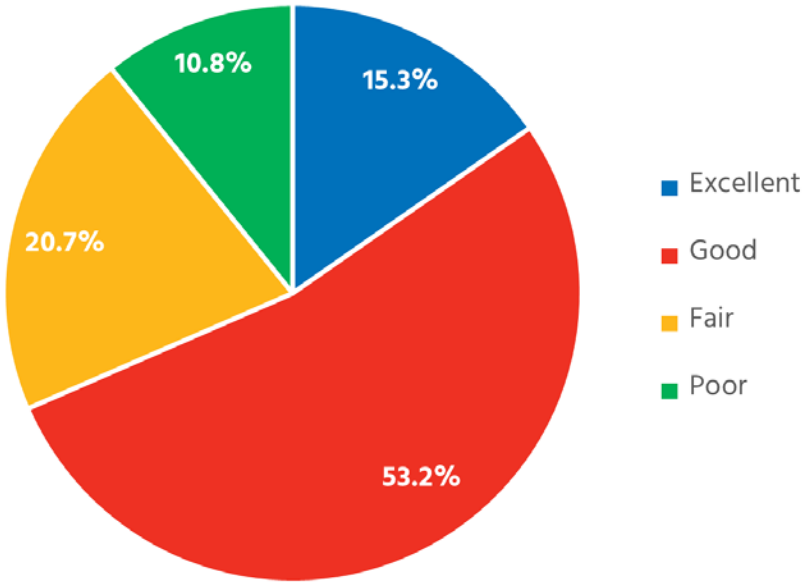
24. If not, what would make you interested in using this park?



Other (please specify):

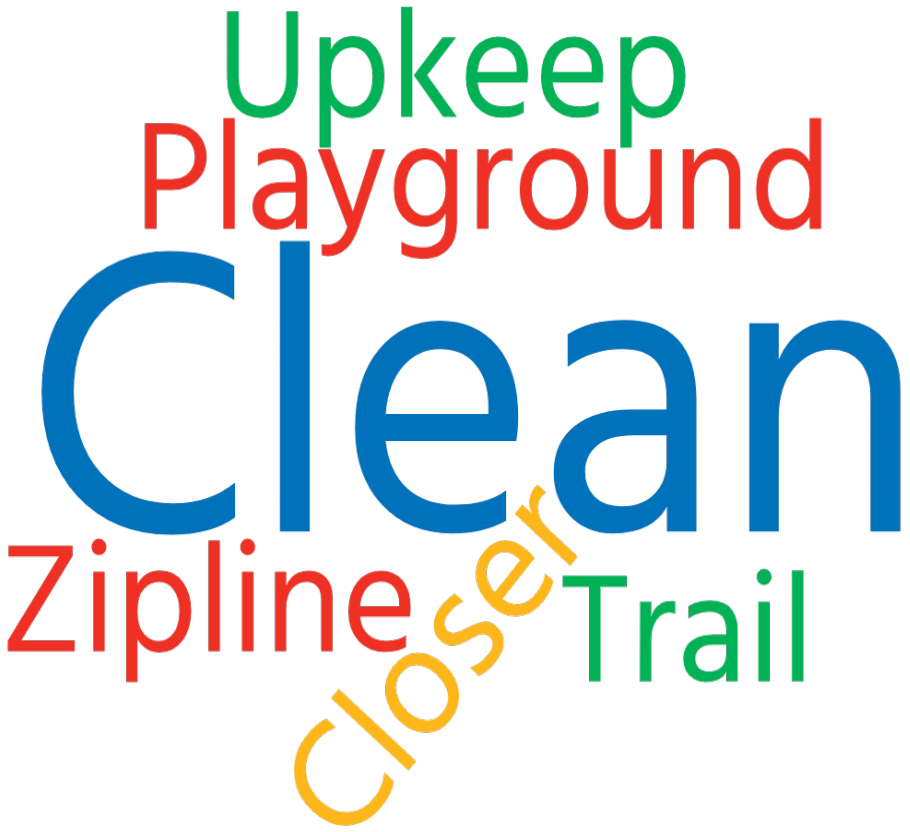
- Not sure
- None
- I use it the most as it's down the street from my home.
- Events
- Pickleball
- More amenities
- Water feature
- I use this park
- Fix the running path
- More shade
- Less seclusion
- More parking.
- Splash pad
- More security
- Nothing
- Close to me
- Astro turf
- Musical playscape.
- Improve the park
- Information on what is available
- Have a good space to run
- Visit this for walking trails
- I've been visiting almost every single day for years
- Dog park
- Knowing what I can do there
- Soccer goals
- More places to fish and more benches but it needs to be all-inclusive for everyone.
- Events or festivals
- Better playground
- Shaded areas
- The walkway
- Nothing
- Too far away
- Closer to our house
- Have not been
- Better playgrounds.
- Splash the pad
- More trees
- I've been
- I go every day
- Options
- Shaded playground
- Already use
- Adding a roof top and lights to basketball courts
- I go to this park often
- Not sure
- Cleanliness and overall grounds care
- This park needs more trees and more shade. The sports focus is disruptive and makes me avoid the park.
- Dog park
- I do visit, School St. park is just closer to me
- More shade
- More fish in pond
- My children love the zip line
- I visit North Park because I like fishing out there.

25. Overall, how would you rate the condition of North Park?



The condition of North Park primarily mostly received positive ratings with the most common choice among respondents being "Good" (53.3%), with "Fair" (20%) coming in as the second most common answer. The least amount of respondents gave North Park a "Poor" (10.8%) rating.

26. Why would you give it this rating? Please give specific examples.



Other (please specify):

- The playground equipment is newer but the road, Pavilion, fields, and volleyball courts need lots of love.
- Clean
- Great park, but could be better
- Good overall appearance
- Great park
- Duck poop tends to get out of control
- Clean
- Further than others
- Excellent playground equipment
- Need more fish
- Needs a better marked basketball court with coverage
- Roads needs smoothing out
- Some of the park pieces are broken / missing
- Great place
- Cleanliness
- Clean
- Great walking trail and natural area
- Walking trail and 2 playgrounds
- The zipline
- I love this park.
- The walking trail
- The roads need improvement
- The roads and the trail are in poor shape.
- Needs better improvements
- I've never visited it
- Needs more trees
- Equipment needs some upkeep
- Lots to do, for all ages
- Maintained pretty well.
- Cleaner and better maintained than city park
- Playgrounds look well kept.
- Lots to do and see
- Same as above
- Looks runned down, needs landscape
- Playground is in poor condition. Grounds are not nicely landscaped. Small walking path. Doesn't connect to city park yet.
- Run down walk way. Water stations that dont work. Broken play ground equipment
- Some broken equipment parking can be rough at peak hours
- Clean and open
- I need something closer
- Has enough space and activities
- Clean
- Not close to house
- The playgrounds are horrible and outdated. The lake looks horrible. Grass in the football field is full of weeds and spurs.
- Basketball courts are nice to have but need to be kept up, nice pond and trails, nice big playground.
- Nice park....maybe as grows more amenities
- Clean
- Poorly maintained
- Splash pad
- Plenty of benches, green grass, pond active with wildlife, decent condition workout equipment, decent basketball and volleyball courts, walking track in good condition, deer life, little trash on ground
- It's nice but needs some cleaning and lighting in some areas

- Always room for improvements
- Two playgrounds are far apart, little shade, limited seating
- I like the walking/biking trail
- Shaded and clean
- Running trails are uneven. Snakes
- Walking path, exercise equipment available
- Clean and shady
- Needs improvements
- Needs more trails
- More things to do to much space
- It's always busy and it's fun go fishing there if you catch one.
- The playground is the worst. I have small children and they cannot even play at the main playground because it just sucks.
- Walking
- Roads need improvement
- Plenty of variety
- More amenities
- Clean and fun for kids
- Large space with lots to do
- Not sure where this is
- Lawn overgrown, track needs repairs
- Things can be fixed
- Its nice
- The grass is maintained and trash is removed. I would remove the basketball court and install tennis or pickleball. The majority of the court use is not by converse residents. It's always left trashy

27. If you could improve one thing about North Park, what would it be?



Other (please specify):

- The road and parking lots
- Trails
- Driveways
- Pavilion appearance
- A couple more types of courts
- Splash pad
- More activities
- Additional cleaning
- Fixing the zip line for one thing.
- Skatepark
- Trees, more sitting areas
- More bathrooms
- Paved road behind wagon train. Cops decreasing loud bass noise
- People walking pets not on a leash
- Need more fish
- Updated facilities
- Add a pickleball
- Fix roadway
- Maintenance on the park
- Pavilions for family events. Splash pad
- Visit Some Dallas parks and you'll see how parks are done well
- Make it more inviting
- Dog park
- Bathrooms
- Security
- Expand trails into wooded area
- More workout stops on trail
- More restrooms
- AstroTurf
- I remember the spring animals being wonky, maybe even the ground having holes. The slide glide also needs to be greased and see-saw tires are going out.
- More shade
- Pier
- Develop the trail behind the lake
- Roads. Pot holes and gravel by fishing area is not fun after rain
- Splash pad, better play equipment like what live oak has. Also a dog park
- The whole park needs improving
- The pool
- More trees
- More trails and garbage cans for dog poop pick up
- Adding a path that connects the park path with Comanche pass - when it rains the gravel area is full of mud and puddles, and is hard to walk through
- Replace the walking path with the white cement like they have on the side trail/path.
- Maintain the playground and exercise equipment
- Clean up around lake
- Add trees
- Better grounds keeping
- Soccer field
- Continued maintenance and cleaning
- Football/soccer fields
- Formal trails north of the lake and a nature trail
- Same as above
- Playground, landscape

- Connect to city park-we need longer places to run and walk
- Update play structures/swings more shaded seating areas, maintaining current equipment
- Fixed walk way updated restrooms
- Fix the equipment
- More tables
- The parking spot and bathroom
- More playgrounds
- Upgrade the playground
- Parking
- More water activities for children
- Get water fountains working
- Basketball courts could be improved and include some shade.
- The asphalt trails. They're so cracked up and un-leveled that it makes it difficult to walk, my younger kids have tripped over the cracked parts too many times. We don't walk there anymore sadly.
- People stop throwing trash on ground & not cleaning up dog poop
- Maintain zip line swing in larger playground and install new picnics tables and shade trees at this park
- Add a pickleball court
- Adding a roof top to the basketball courts with lights
- The Zipline at the playground is often broken. Shade ove the picnic tables
- Lighting
- Same thing with city park, more shade, more interesting features. It's flat and ugly mostly.
- Please have football teams pick up there water bottles and food wrappers. After practice the trash is very bad. Trash amount on game days is a little less
- I would get rid of the sports focus on this park. I would add native trees to the giant fields that have nothing, and reduce the amount of mowing that takes place there. I would focus on native plants to reintroduce native birds and animals.
- Repaying the track heard about it for years never completed all the way around
- Additional restrooms.
- Add more amenities
- More shade
- Addition of a pool to use for an additional option because it seems like the main public pool closes frequently for maintenance
- Splash pad
- Trees for shade
- Add a second pool or splash pad
- Wider sidewalks
- Uneven trail asphalt
- More trails
- TREES
- Cleaning and maintenance
- Splash pad
- Putting signs up as to when the lake has been stocked with fish would be helpful.
- Instead of spending my tax money on new cop cars, spend on something that actually prevents crime and makes the park more appealing to families not teens committing crimes.
- Make the "track" more walking-friendly. The surface has SO many cracks and upheavals.
- Quit fixing the 1 mile track and put in a real track. Clearing land and putting down asphalt won't last. It's a waist of taxpayer dollars.
- Roads
- Shade
- More sand in volleyball court

28. If you could add one amenity to North Park, what would it be?

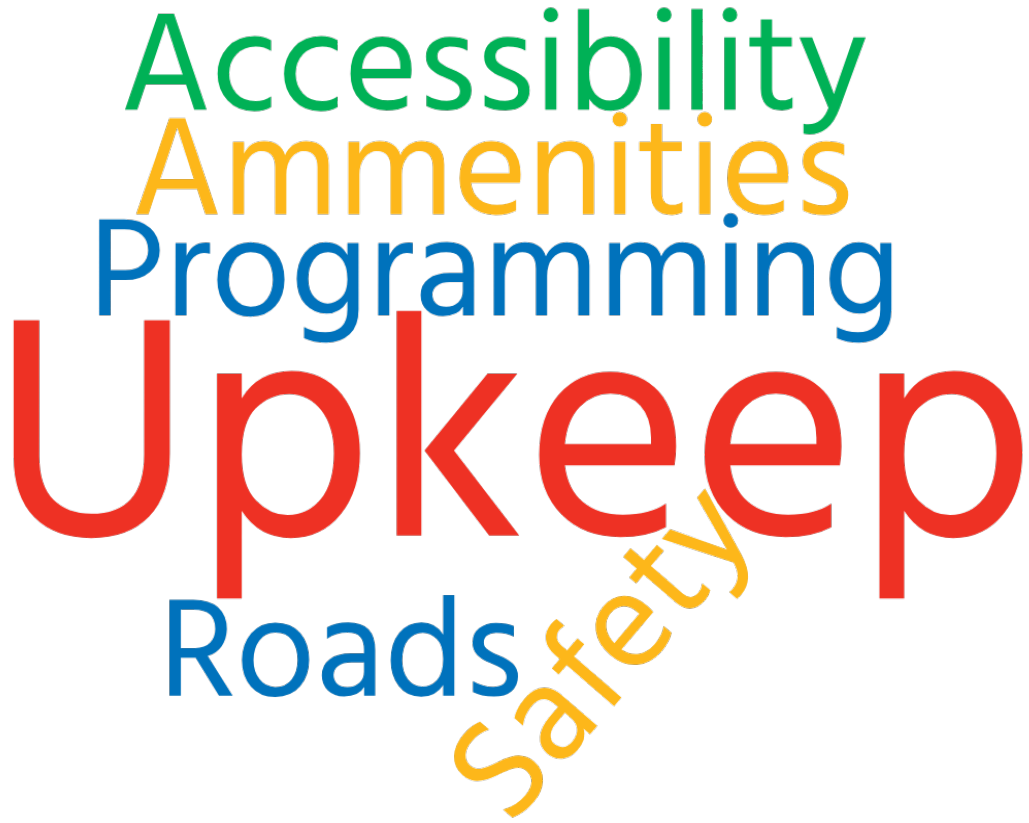


Other (please specify):

- Dog park
- Family activities all ages
- Lighting
- More shade, another pavilion
- Tennis
- Splash pad
- Pickleball
- A little free library
- More water fountains
- Bike/greenway connecting all parks
- Water feature
- Dog area
- Splash pad
- More Shade on the walking/biking trail and better signage.
- Fever Dog area
- Dog park
- Add pickle ball
- Add more picnic tables
- Less seclusion
- Splash pad here for sure
- Pavilions
- It needs more than just one amenity to improve it.
- Splash pad
- Dog park
- Updated playscapes, sun coverage and seating
- Kids amenities
- Better native landscaping.
- Volleyball upgrade of grounds
- Splash pad
- Splash pad
- I would grease the slide glide.
- Fishing pier/dock
- Pier
- Pickleball court
- More basketball courts
- Splash pad
- A trail around the lake
- Rest areas on walking trails
- Go carts
- More garbage cans and benches. Also the path could use a little work at the entrance
- Working water fountains for people and dogs
- More shaded areas
- None, it's built out
- Parking lot by basketball court
- Add trees
- Dog park
- Soccer field
- Soccer fields
- Swimming pool
- A canoe, kayak launch
- Skate park area and better trails
- More freedoms
- Shade structure, picnic tables
- Better playgrounds/nature park like Acorn in Live Oak
- Repave running paths shaded seating

- Shaded areas
- Skate park
- More tables
- I can't say
- Shade and a better bathroom
- Splash pad
- Not sure, never been there
- Splash pad
- Have not been
- Splash pad/ Pool
- Handicap accessible playground
- More trails, and more trees planted possibly pool facilities!
- Water feature for everyone to cool down. More shade.
- Splash pad
- A splash pad
- More trash barrels chained down so they're not stolen
- Lights
- Splash pad
- Splash pad
- Same as above (Pickleball)
- Soccer field/soccer goals
- Splash pad
- Something nice for around the lake.. like a dock

29. What is the single most important issue or need concerning the City of Converse Parks and Facilities?



Other (please specify):

- Everything has an age. It looks like certain things need to be replaced or at least cleaned and painted. I can't remember the last time the city made any significant investments to our parks.
- Programs
- Putting more of a spotlight on our parks. Reminding residents they are there and what each park offers regularly.
- More amenities for the community
- Maintenance. If the area is not well maintained, I will not want to spend time there.
- Funding and staff
- Larger investment. Let's build pavilions to host local bands and farmers markets. Let's create more seating for the elderly families. Let's build a proper pool facility so a real swim team and train and host competitions. Let's start a community garden.
- Upkeep
- There are no dog friendly areas in town. We have to go to Live Oak for a dog park
- Loud bass in park that disturbs everyone. No cop on duty in evening at park. Parent waiting in cars for football practice are the worst.
- Facilities look shabby. The parks are not well landscaped and not well maintained. Need more shade!!!!!!!!! Signage is deplorable. Lighting is very limited.
- It just looks run down needs fresh paint and newer playscapes
- Roads
- They seem too secluded for my safety
- Less seclusion
- Lack of amenities that families can enjoy, along with organized events
- The facilities need an overhaul, parks are always locked during regular hours, there is no where to play tennis nor golf in the city. The city pool is dirty and closed most days when I've tried to visit. I use to volunteer as a teen in Dallas to help programs for the city and Converse offers nothing like this and has no center for such programs for Parks and Rec.
- Cleaning most importantly
- The playgrounds and parking are not attractive or enjoyable. I drive outside of our city to well maintained and new playgrounds, such as Live Oak or Universal City.
- To have a park that is lively, with lots of different things to do, and that fits family, individual needs. There's no close dog park, splash pad, community garden, shade.
- Safety and benches
- Programs to getting more community involvement. Develop programs such a "plant a tree" or such. Develop a park landscaping plan to bring a native sustainable landscape to the parks. Local college Horticulture departments or the local Bexar County master gardeners could help with this.
- Encouraging visitors to respect the land, facilities, and each other
- Security
- AstroTurf
- Making them a continually inviting and known of location for families. North Park is close and the ducks are great, there just isn't much to do there and the amenities and layout of Live Oak park just makes it more enticing, despite being farther.
- MAINTENANCE OF PLAYGROUNDS. The zip line is always broken/stuck.
- Maintaining the equipment, fixes broken items efficiently
- Making them better than our neighboring cities. We have some of the worst parks around.
- Converse is rundown and does not take care of the facilities or the park in general. Take a drive to Live Oak park. Well maintained grounds, equipment is in good shape, trails through trees and around the lake, activities for children and adults, what a park should be. Even the pool is nicer, the sports fields have sitting, the list goes on and on.
- Communication
- Need better parking options
- Some place safe from stray dogs and people up to no good

- I mainly use north park. Some more benches on the walking trail along with fixing some large cracks would be nice. Otherwise it is a good park
- Upkeep is important for safety
- Add a disc golf course. Either a 9-hole pitch and putt or something that accommodates kids.
- Address the cities lack of responsibility with regard to Anton Schumann home. It is boarded up, roof leaks, tree limbs scraping roof. Home is very large, could be meeting place for many types of events.
- Adding a new park. I thought we had land by Astoria Place called East Park. When will this be developed??
- Loose dogs and leash laws not being enforced make walking with or without dogs stressful sometimes.
- More nature paths
- Maintaining the open spaces for nature, not just for sporting events
- It's prejudice against families that have prior convicts. It's time to end the tyranny or lower taxes.
- Just better playgrounds and landscaping. More welcoming for mothers and children
- They are in disrepair and not targeted towards people that want exercise. Look at Live Oak and Universal city for examples.
- Shade for all playground structures, shaded seating areas.
- The biggest issue is not having enough working drinking water stations. Essential to keep people hydrated and at the park during the summer time.
- From the meetings I've seen, there's a lot of talk but no action from the board to get things moving.
- Safety
- There is not much for us near 1604
- We need a facility closer to 1604
- The bathroom and need shade for a hot summer
- Updated amenities
- Clean it up, landscape it and have it monitored daily for safety and clean up.
- Lighting!!!! Lack of lighting. My family and I visit Converse North Park very often, but the lighting is just horrible and lacking so much.
- Adding shade trees is important to try to keep the temperatures down
- Shade & access for everyone. There are no parks in the area near south east / the New developments / past Randolph base / near I10 & 1604. Not everyone has access to the base and not everyone has access to HOA pools or parks.
- We definitely need a community garden and a farmers market.
- I think the parks could be updated and maintained better. I know that North Park recently got the newer playground but the picnic areas around it could be maintained better and the mulch on the playground needs to be refilled. Mostly the trails at North park are the biggest concern.
- More trash barrels needed
- Shaded playground, more trees, splash pad
- Maintain zip line swing in larger playground needs maintenance and new picnics tables and shade trees needed at this park
- Improvement to what's already in place at each park
- Comfort and safety
- Regular up keeping. Having employees specifically for parks.
- Roads are horrible, parking lots are dirt/falling apart gravel asphalt, it's a nightmare when it's been raining and it's bumpy to drive on.
- We need a 4 way stop at corner of Spring town and meadow branch. This is where walkers, bikers, skateboarders and scooters enter the park. Cars drive way too fast in this area. The 2 way stop needs to be made into a 4 way stop. This area is extra dangerous during park parties, ball practice and football games.
- Overall feeling of safety
- The parks seem to be focused on sports, rather than them being parks. The few trails we have are simply that, few. And again I would annoyingly add that there is not enough shade. We live in an area that

can cause heat strokes, and yet we have outdoor spaces that imagine themselves to be in 70 degree weather. What's the point of all the benches and picnic areas when there's no shade, and the structures are made of metal. Metal. People also seem to think that because they're in a public space that they can blast music. I am tired of hearing multiple people blasting music all over the place. I go to parks because I want to move, and observe nature, plants and animals. There is so much potential for these parks for the people of Converse. Converse already offers little to its people, and it has the responsibility and opportunity to provide wonderful outdoor spaces.

- Repaying north park track has never been done completely just partially. The track is great but needs attention.
- Not enough to do that is safe
- Little shade for toddlers
- Updates. Renovations to the existing pool, adding a slide or swing something other than just the diving board. Maybe adding diving boards at different heights. Adding additional options for water fun like a splash pad. Adding more indoor options like a rec center.
- Landscaping
- Lack of water activity options
- Raising awareness for the free programs, either social media, using the Judson marquee, or flyers at local businesses
- Lack of activities for toddlers and very little shade in most parks.
- Separate bike trail; some people ride their bikes too fast as they pass you when you're walking, scary
- They need to be connected with more trails
- Please visit Pollinatives right down the street & support a local business that has good intentions
- Having a Farmers Market or community veggie garden would be great to have since we are on water restrictions. It's difficult to keep up a garden at home with stage 4 water restrictions.
- Too new to comment but I would like to see more parks in neighborhoods of Autumn Run and surrounding communities. Walking distance from homes. I walk frequently and haven't seen any parks within 4-5 miles.
- Playgrounds is what attracts families with small children. If Converse is looking to grow, more amenities like attractive playgrounds are much needed. We don't even go to Converse Parks anymore. We go to Live Oak Park because everything about that park is new including the landscaping. That's just one example of what can be done. It's horrible that Converse is spending money on cop cars to increase the monetary aspect of the community nothing is being done to make the city itself better. Converse has really ignored the curb appeal and the parks aspect because they are worried about what the cop cars look like. South Seguin Rd looks like homeless people run that street even though the Police Station is on the same road. The Committee of Converse needs to look at the city as whole from the outside looking in. Would they want to move to Converse by the current conditions of the city? I'm really saddened to be called a resident of Converse.
- I see maintenance vehicles in North Park often so thank you for that.
- Activities. Keep the park busy.
- More children's programs
- Cleanliness and more amenities and family events
- Pickleball courts
- Feels like we need to update these parks and have more events.
- We need like a community trash pick up.
- They desperately need an update, a refresh. Which is exactly what is happening—yay! I'm so excited for the new additions coming. I also LOVE the image in the magazine with the grassy area, market, and hanging lights. I think that would be popular with young adults and teens.
- Outdated. They need an update, a refresh. Which is exactly what is happening—yay! I also LOVE the image used in the magazine with the grassy area, market, and string lights. I think that would be very popular with young adults. It would be an awesome spot for reading, hanging out, or tanning.
- The parks are dirty and poorly maintained.
- Pool for kids!!

30. Considering the image below and the outline of this future park, what amenities would you like to see here that may be different from our other parks?



- Disc golf, dog park, and to be connected to the other parks with trails.
- Water
- Skate park
- Disc golf
- Tennis & splash pad. Maybe a path wide enough with one side that is dedicated for walkers and another side that's dedicated for bike riders.
- Skate park and bike trails
- Splash pads, large play area and sensory play
- Disc golf
- Trails, pavilions, movie area, dog park, equipment and pickleball
- Pool facility!!
- As long as you don't cut down any trees or mess with current nature? Anything.
- Bike trail starting at Autumn run and connecting all parks, playground, hiking trails, dog park, extend it all the way to 1604 and 1516
- Local art installations, water features, more hiking, lots of trees
- Splash pad
- Bike trail starting at Autumn run and connecting all parks, playground, hiking trails, dog park, extend it all the way to 1604 and 1516
- No new park needed
- Swimming Pool equipped for people with disabilities with a lift, easy steps to enter pool, no more than 5 ft deep
- Sidewalks to get there
- Splash pad, garden, shaded area
- Dog park
- Dog park
- Walking trail
- Benches, walking trails, security, dog park
- Adding sandbox, summer programs for kids and a splash pad

- Classroom and rental space for events/lids/family classes. Pavilions & BBQ pits
- Maybe a bicycle/scooter trail/paved area to drive that is kid friendly
- Bench's rest areas
- Nature studies or paths
- Splash pad
- Lots of shade, areas to picnic, outdoor seating, pavilion, splash pad, outdoor games.
- WOW, close by...
- Water amenities, picnic area, pavilions
- Disc golf or pickleball
- Splash pad
- Definitely a splash pad. Also things for smaller kids to do. Live Oak park has little gears and stuff, as well as a big kids playground and a little kids playground. My wife also says AstroTurf.
- Train rides.
- Hiking
- Basketball
- Dog park, splash pad
- Looks perfect for disc golf and nature trails
- Pickleball courts
- Golf, sport programs
- Places for families like a playground, safe walking area (area where stray dogs can't get into), splash pad, restrooms, dog poop bags, shaded places areas to sit and read, disc golf, things like that
- Water splash area
- Walking paths and courts for either basketball, tennis, pickleball etc.
- Hiking trails instead of walking trails - more wilderness
- More shaded areas that permit smaller groups
- Nature park with a walkway
- Disc golf course
- Hiking trails
- A dog park and batting cages
- Soccer field. Dog park.
- Dog park
- More tree coverage along the path, water fountains, dog park
- Soccer fields, pickleball or tennis courts
- Unpaved hiking trails, camping areas
- Splash pad, skateboard park. Dog park.
- More family freedoms to enjoy the park together. No more tyranny.
- A" botanical garden " feel with benches to sit and enjoy the scenery. Bathrooms, a small trail outlining the area to walk/skate on
- Walking trails and splash pad
- Running and biking paths
- Running paths, shaded playgrounds and seating
- Disc golf course
- A walk way that lines the perimeter of the park
- Nature trail, creek side camping, and nature expos. I go back there during fire fly season and it's beautiful
- Splash pad, handicap accessible playground, a playground similar to Live Oak's
- ANYTHING!!!!! Please make this park happen as promised
- Pool, walking trail, picnic shelters
- Hiking trail, pool, dog park, basketball courts, pickleball, and playground
- Wooded walking trails. We need our trees still
- Splash pad, pool, nature trail
- Fishing, basketball, tennis, playground, pool, restrooms, bike trail, volleyball court, soccer field

- Splash pad
- Nature hike trail, bike trail
- I believe I walked back there before and saw a creek so some clearing for fishing would be great especially for handicapped, do not remove shade trees please
- Splash Pad/Pool, walking trail, bike trail, gardens, a huge playground, benches, barbecue pits, lots of huge Oak Trees for kids to climb. I live right in front of this area and would love for a park to be there. Don't forget the lighting to prevent crime.
- Swimming pool, dog area, splash pad
- Splash pad
- Hiking trails, pools
- Splash pad or pool with slide for all ages w/ shade, basketball hoops, trails w/ nature views, keep the trees, bathrooms, larger playground, pond, garden, lights, grilling areas and a pavilion.
- A community garden, or butterfly garden, something educational like an ecological center that hosts community events. A splash pad would be great. A farmers market would be amazing.
- More trash barrels!
- Golf nets
- Splash pad, hiking trail, shaded playground and picnic tables
- Elevated walkway like offered at Jones Maltsberger Park
- Pickleball
- Basketball court soccer/football field baseball/kickball field
- Nature programs
- Long walking trails with pretty flowers
- Kid activities
- A bike path and picnic tables with shade. It'll be nice to have a new field for softball and tennis courts.
- Too many parks, not necessary
- Big long walking trails with fun nature signs. Think of crescent bend park in Cibolo.