



# SHERWOOD

## Parks System Master Plan



Crafton Tull



**Task 1: Project Kickoff, Project Management, and Coordination**

**Task 2: Data Review & Existing Conditions Analysis**

**Task 3: Parks & Facilities Needs Assessment**

*WORKSHOP 1*

*WORKSHOP 2*

**Task 4: Recommendations & Actions for Implementation**

*WORKSHOP 3*

**Task 5: Master Plan Documentation & Adoption**

## Systemwide Goals



- Sherwood's parks will be places where **recreation** is prioritized for every resident and attractive for every visitor.



- Sherwood's parks will offer opportunities for increasing **health and physical activity**.



- Sherwood's parks will provide spaces to bring residents and visitors together for safe and friendly **social interactions** through proper design and consistent maintenance.



- Sherwood's parks will increase the **quality of life** for every resident and visitor.



- Sherwood's parks will contribute to the character and image of the City of Sherwood as a **recognizable place**.



- Sherwood's parks will be **connected** and accessible by foot and bike through sidewalks and trails, and not by automobile alone.



- Sherwood's parks will preserve and enhance the natural beauty of its lakes, greenways, and forested areas, providing space for the preservation of **ecologically sensitive areas**.



- Sherwood's parks will reflect proper city stewardship through **equitable distribution of resources**. Planning for future parks within the community will be prioritized.

# Public Input

## 1. Public Input Survey 1: Visioning

- 441 Responses

## 2. Public Input Survey 2: Importance, Need, Programs, and Funding

- 493 Responses

## 3. Public Meeting 1 (joint with Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan)

- 20 citizens

**380 responses** needed  
for

95% confidence level with  
5% margin of error







## Public Input: “I want Sherwood’s Parks to be...”

- Bike friendly + skateboard friendly
- Bike pump track
- Easy access + connected (I want to go more than 3 miles...)
- To communicate better. To have programs as good as the facilities
- A park for multiple activities at the same time which could adapt into a great competition set up more 4 older kids
- Larger – made to accommodate all ages
- Safe + accessible for all people (more bike + skate options)
- More inclusive (+1 next to this note in different color)
- Creative
- Art Trail
- Skate-able art
- Volleyball – beach + sand
- Skate park – lil stew [?]
- A real competition pool
- Olympics had 2 sports not in Sherwood: skateboarding, beach/sand volleyball
- Mix of options
- Imagination
- Public art
- More trails/bike lanes
- Family friendly – short walking trails for strollers and youth bikers
- Mini golf/putt putt
- Parks in swamp areas - need better property
- Hopscotch
- Patterns in concrete for scavenger hunt
- Sand volleyball
- A big group of outdoor basketball courts like Bentonville
- 36% Sherwood’s population are 45-74 years old – keep them active
- Maintenance – walking trails, asphalt v. concrete



# Park Types

## Mini Parks

- Under 1 acre
- Playground parks
- Memorials



## Neighborhood Parks

- 1-10 acres
- Serves a neighborhood
- Walk-up



## Community Parks

- 20-50 acres
- Serves the community
- Drive or walk





# Three Scales of Focus

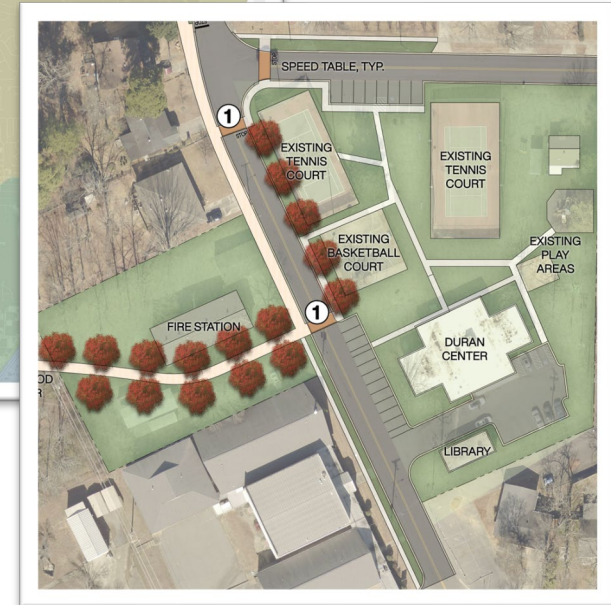
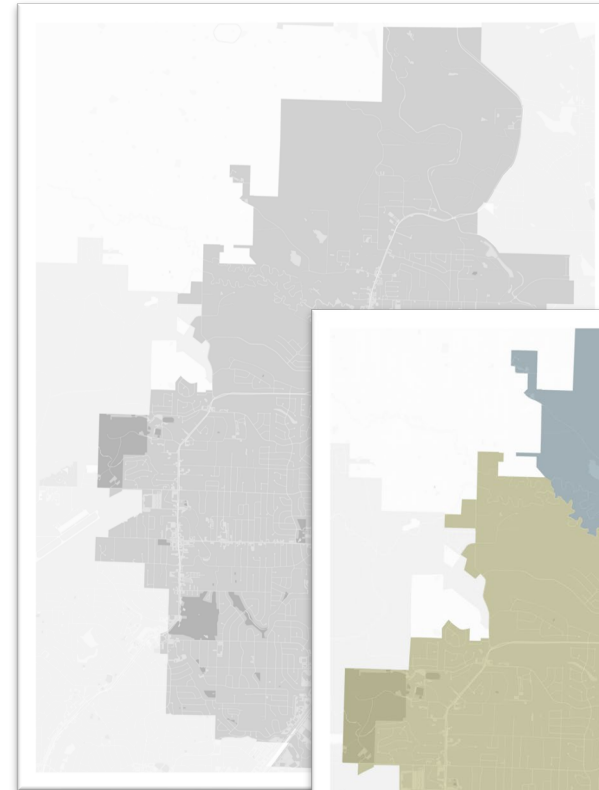
## 1. City-Wide

- Four “Pillars”

## 2. District

- Historic, Suburban, Future

## 3. Park-Specific





	Citywide Pillar				Citywide Pillar			Corresponding District			Site Scale: Specific Park Recommendations
Park	I: Upgrade	II. Grow	III. Innovate			IV. Access	Historic Sherwood (Maintain & Connect)	Suburban Sherwood (Infill & Retrofit)	Future Sherwood (Plan for Growth)		
			Blueways	Explorative Playgrounds	Nature Preserves					Specialized Facilities	
Community Parks & Special Facilities											
Sherwood Sports Complex	✓					✓	✓		✓		✓
Sherwood Forest	✓			✓		✓	✓		✓		✓
The Greens at North Hills								✓			✓
Thornhill Park + Greenway	✓			✓			✓		✓		✓
Bill Harmon Recreation Center	✓					✓	✓		✓		✓
Neighborhood Parks											
Lake Cherrywood Park	✓				✓			✓			✓
Hughes Park	✓		✓							✓	✓
Indianhead Park	✓			✓					✓		✓
Fairway Park	✓			✓			✓	✓			✓
Henson Park + Trail	✓						✓	✓			✓
Verona Park	✓			✓			✓	✓			✓
Devon Park	✓			✓			✓	✓			✓
Duran Youth Center	✓			✓		✓	✓	✓			✓
Storer Park	✓			✓					✓		✓
Delmont Park	✓			✓			✓	✓			✓
Pickthorne Park	✓				✓		✓	✓			✓
Stonehill Park	✓			✓			✓		✓		✓
Austin Lake Park	✓			✓			✓		✓		✓
Silvercreek Park	✓			✓				✓			✓
Miller's Park	✓					✓	✓		✓		✓
Miller's Glen Park	✓		✓				✓		✓		✓

# City-Wide Recommendations







Upgrade +



Innovate

UPGRADE

AGE INCREASES



▲ **TRADITIONAL OR EXPANDED?** ▼





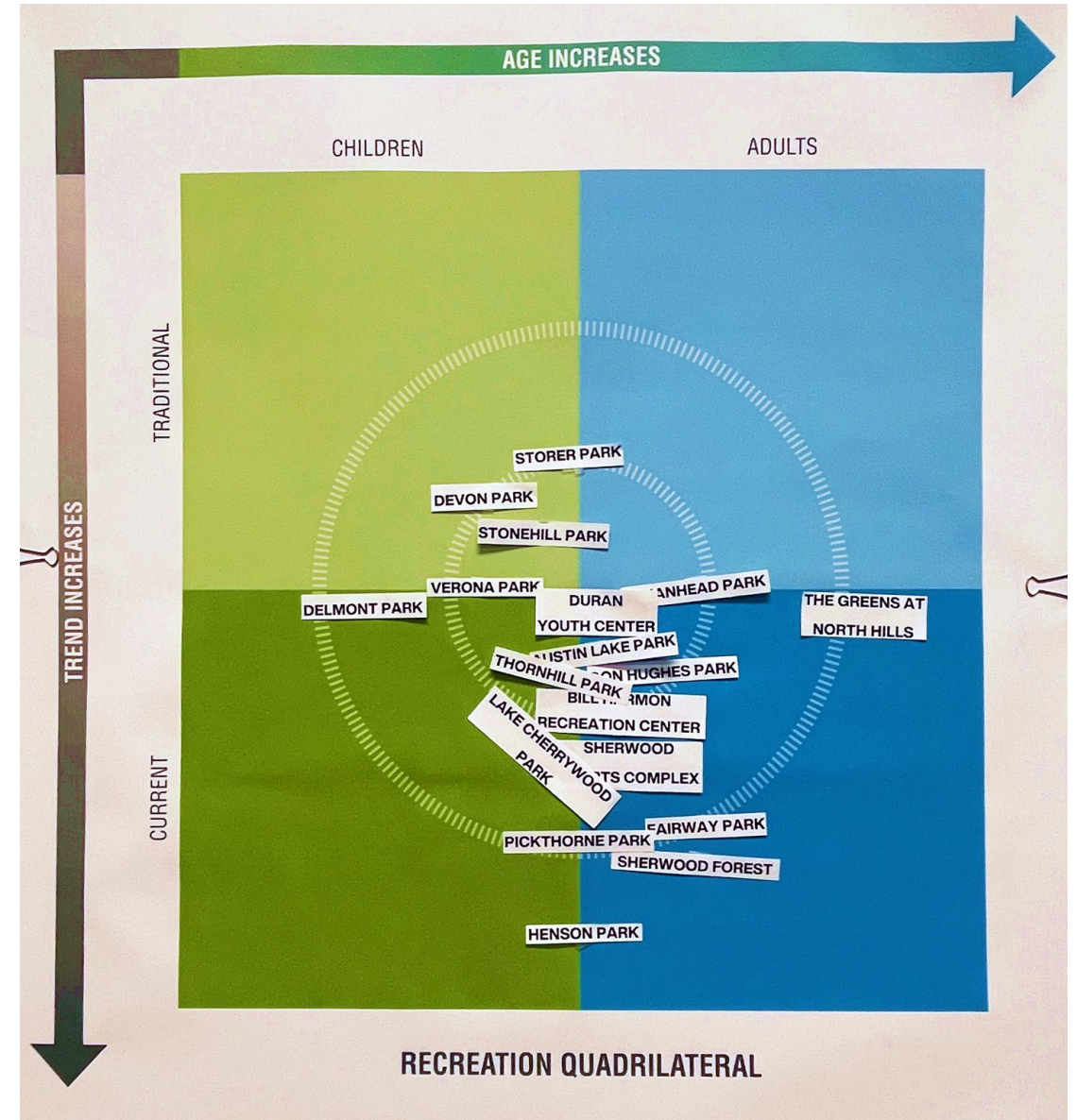
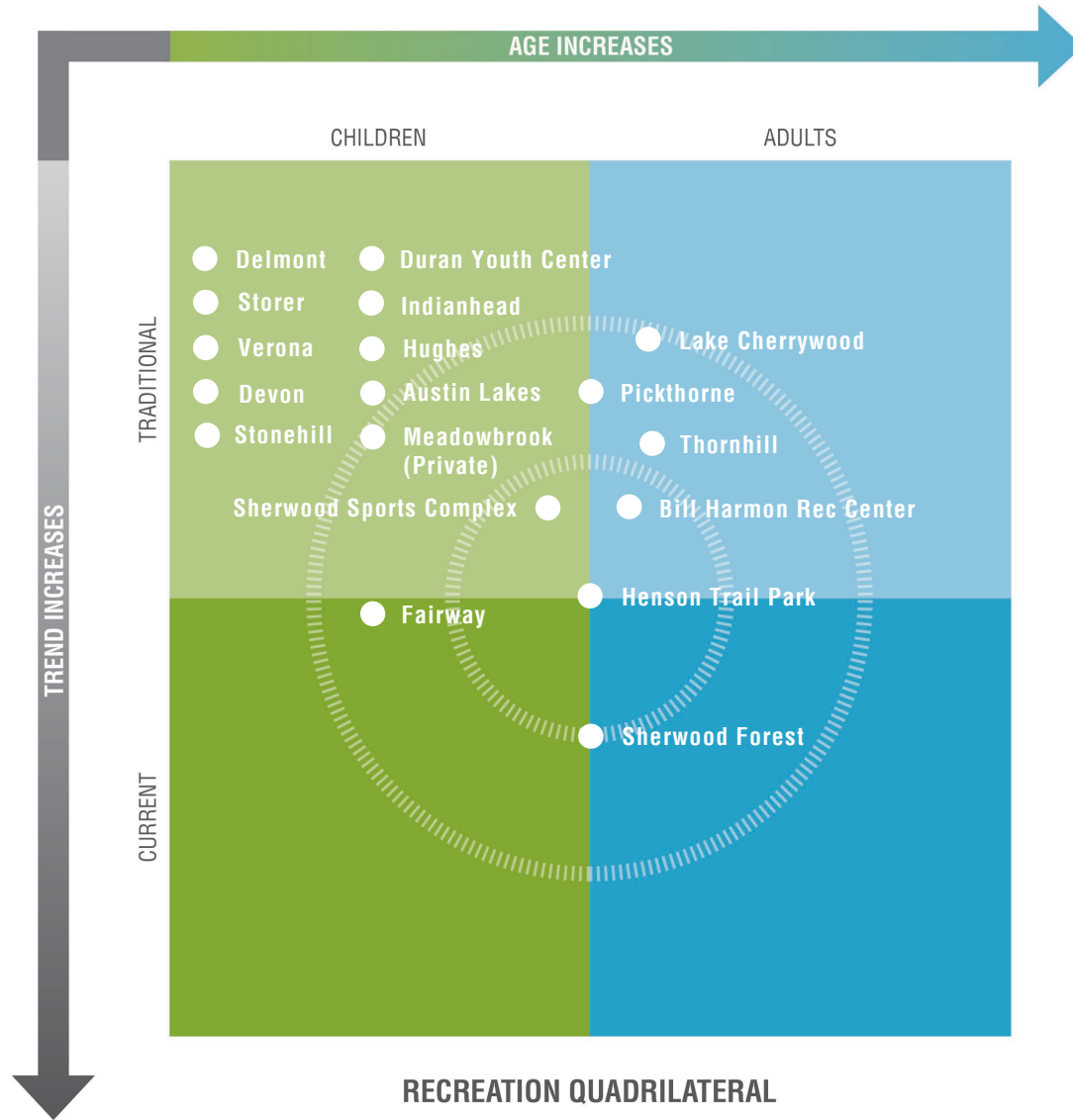


Upgrade +



Innovate

UPGRADE







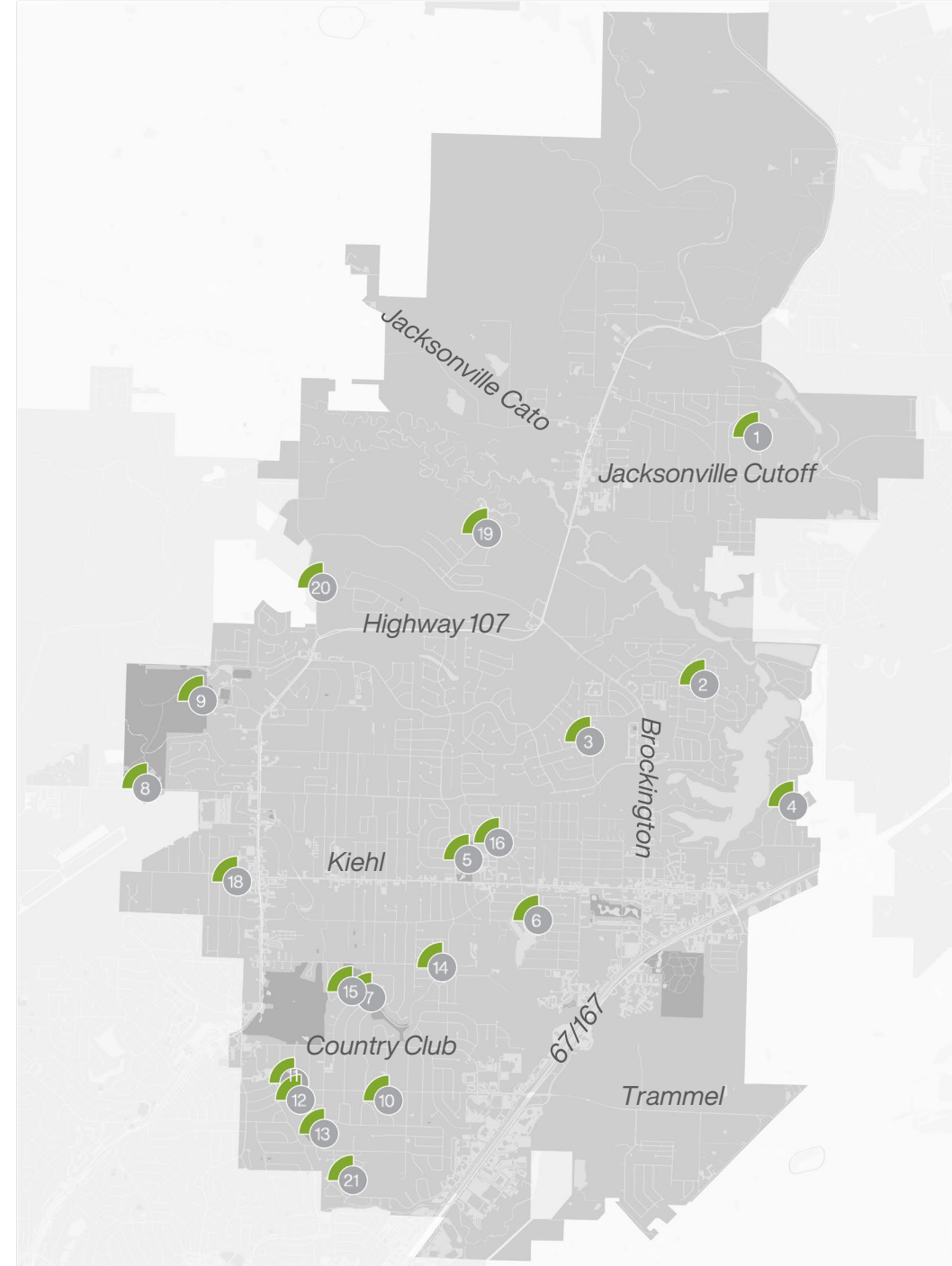
## Upgrade

Renovate and upgrade existing parks with state-of-the-art facilities

- Signage
- Clean, Stocked Restrooms
- New Playgrounds
- Upgraded Fall Zones
- Renovated Sports Fields
- Enhanced Lighting
- Connectivity Essentials
- Internal ADA Access
- Landscaping
- Covered Seating



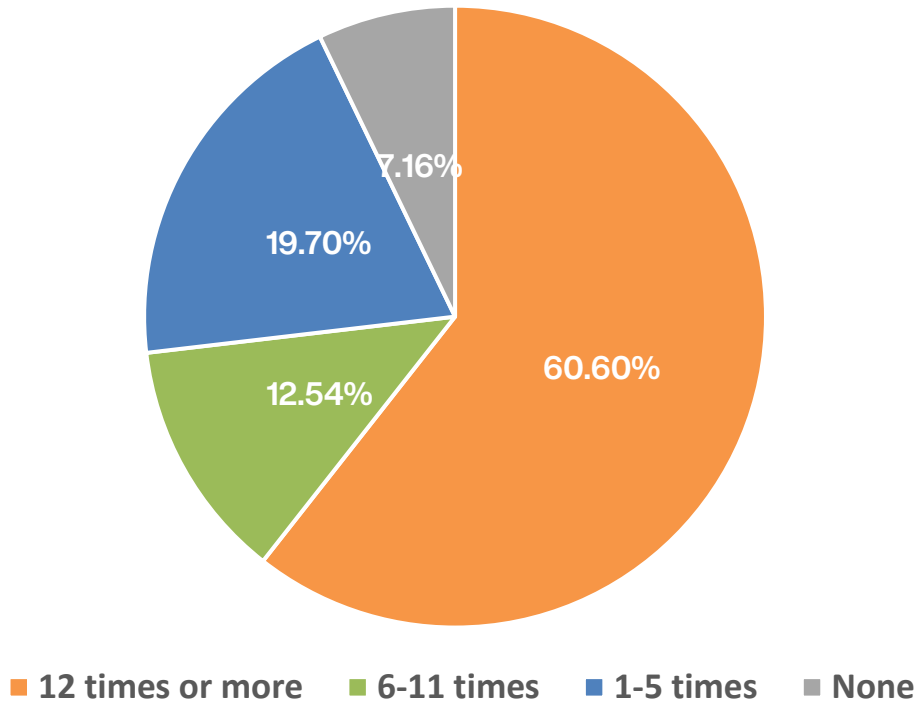
***High-Level Design Quality***  
***System-Wide Maintenance Standards***



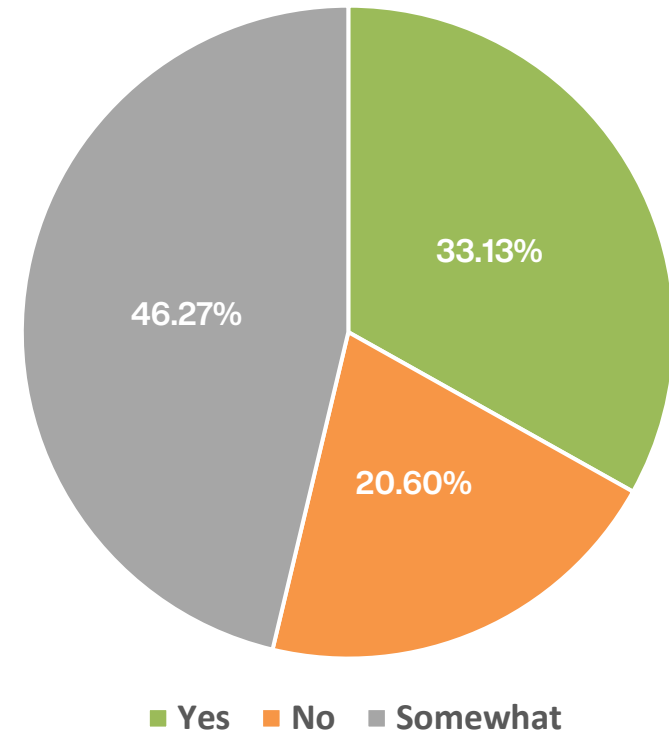


## Upgrade

How often have you and/or members of your household visited a City of Sherwood park within the past year?



In your opinion, are City of Sherwood parks well-maintained?





## Upgrade

**If no or somewhat, which of the following aspects can be improved?  
Please select all that apply.**

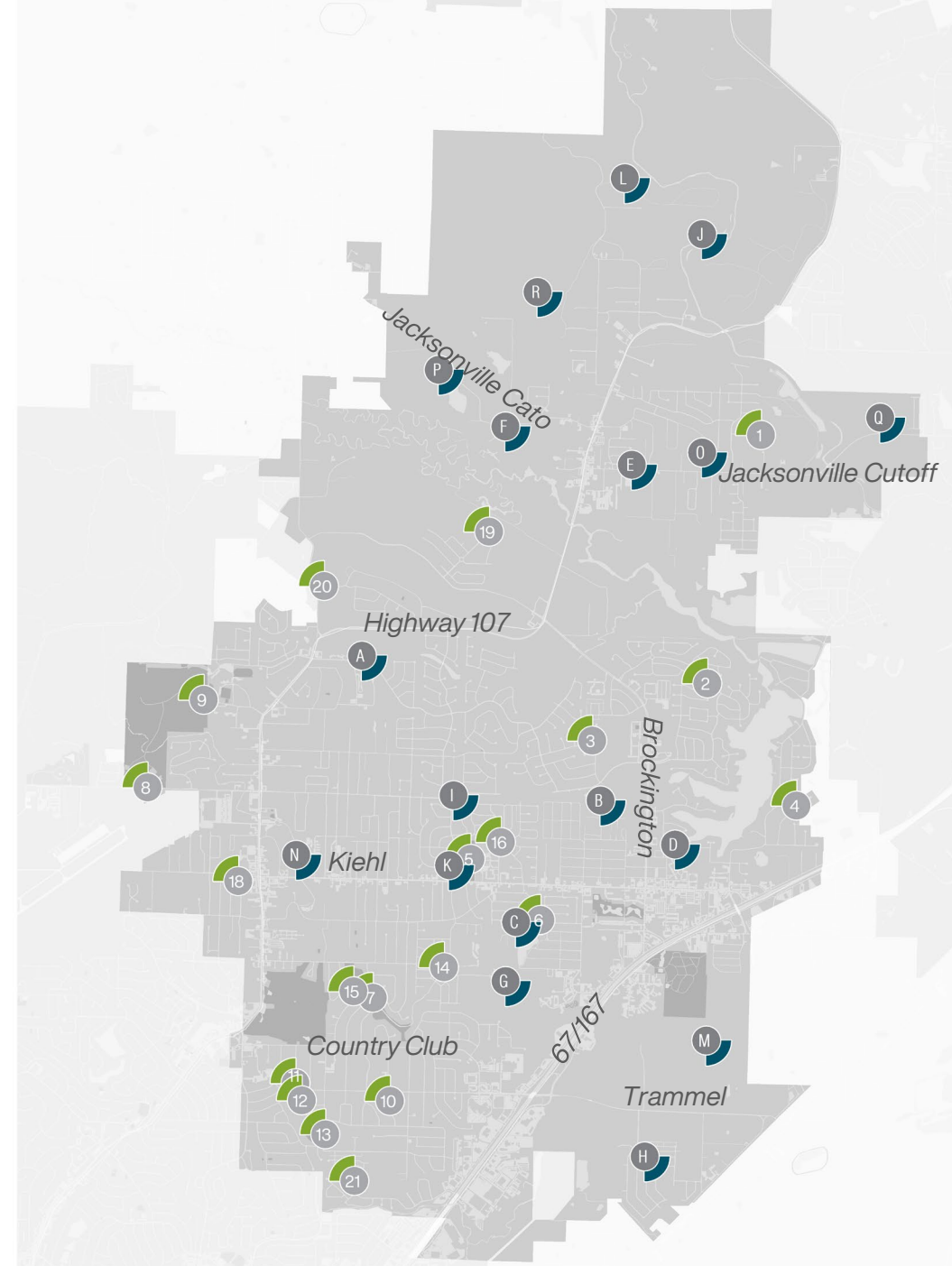






## Grow

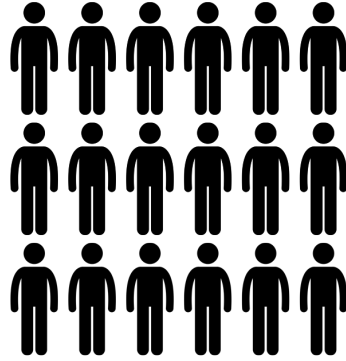
1. Construct **new parks** to keep pace with population growth and accommodate new levels of service
2. **Infill parks** within suburban areas
3. Create policies to **provide future parks** in undeveloped areas





# Grow: Levels of Service (LOS): Measurements

## PARK LAND



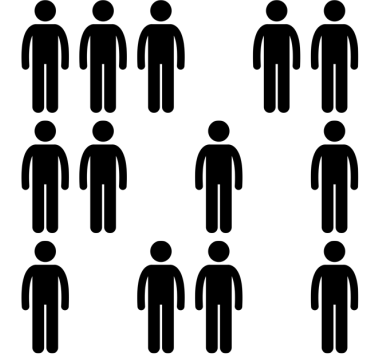
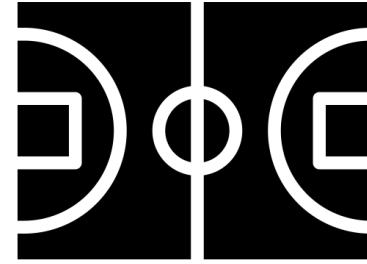
*"x" acres of park land*

*per*

*1,000 people*



## PARK FACILITIES



*1 facility (court, field, etc.)*

*per*

*"x" people*







## Grow: Determining Future Needs

**CURRENT**  
LEVELS OF  
SERVICE



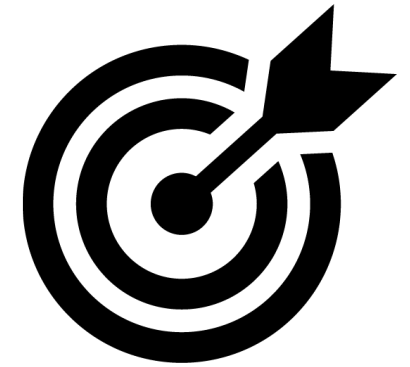
NATIONAL  
**BENCHMARKS**



EXPRESSED  
**NEEDS**



**TARGET**  
LEVELS OF  
SERVICE



### **PARKS:** Neighborhood Parks

2.08 acres / 1,000 people >>> 1.0 – 2.0 acres / 1,000 people >>> "More neighborhood parks!" >>> 3.0 acres / 1,000 people

### **FACILITIES:** Basketball Courts

1 court / 4,091 people >>> 1 court / 5,000 people >>> "We are satisfied!" >>> 1 court / 5,000 people



# Grow: Levels of Service (LOS) - Park Land

## PROJECTED NEEDS based on CURRENT LEVEL OF SERVICE

TYPE	CURRENT SIZE RANGE	CURRENT ACRES PER PARK TYPE	CURRENT LOS: ACRES/1000 POP (CURRENT)	PROJECTED NEED based on CURRENT LOS (2040 HISTORIC TRENDS)	PROJECTED NEED based on CURRENT LOS (2040 WOODS & POOLE)
<i>Population</i>			32,731	50,881	52,144
Mini Parks	0.25-0.5 ac.	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Neighborhood Parks	0.5-1 ac.	68.05	2.08	37.74	40.36
Community Parks/Sports Fields	varies	299.48	9.15	166.07	177.62
Regional Parks	varies	0	0.00	0.00	0.00

## PROJECTED NEEDS based on PROPOSED LEVEL OF SERVICE

TYPE	PROPOSED SIZE RANGE	TARGET LOS STANDARD: ACRES/1000 POP	CURRENT NEED based on PROPOSED STANDARD	PROJECTED NEED based on CURRENT LOS (2040 HISTORIC TRENDS)	PROJECTED NEED based on CURRENT LOS (2040 WOODS & POOLE)
<i>Population</i>			32,731	50,881	52,144
Mini Parks	0.5-1 ac.	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Neighborhood Parks	1-5 ac.	3	30.14	84.59	88.38
Community Parks/Sports Fields	20-50 ac.	10	27.83	209.33	221.96
Regional Parks	100+ ac.	0	0.00	0.00	0.00



## For Comparison

Sherwood Sports Complex  
+  
Sherwood Forest  
= 180 acres

## Proposed Standards

Neighborhood Parks

48 additional acres

Community Parks

44 additional acres

over current LOS projections

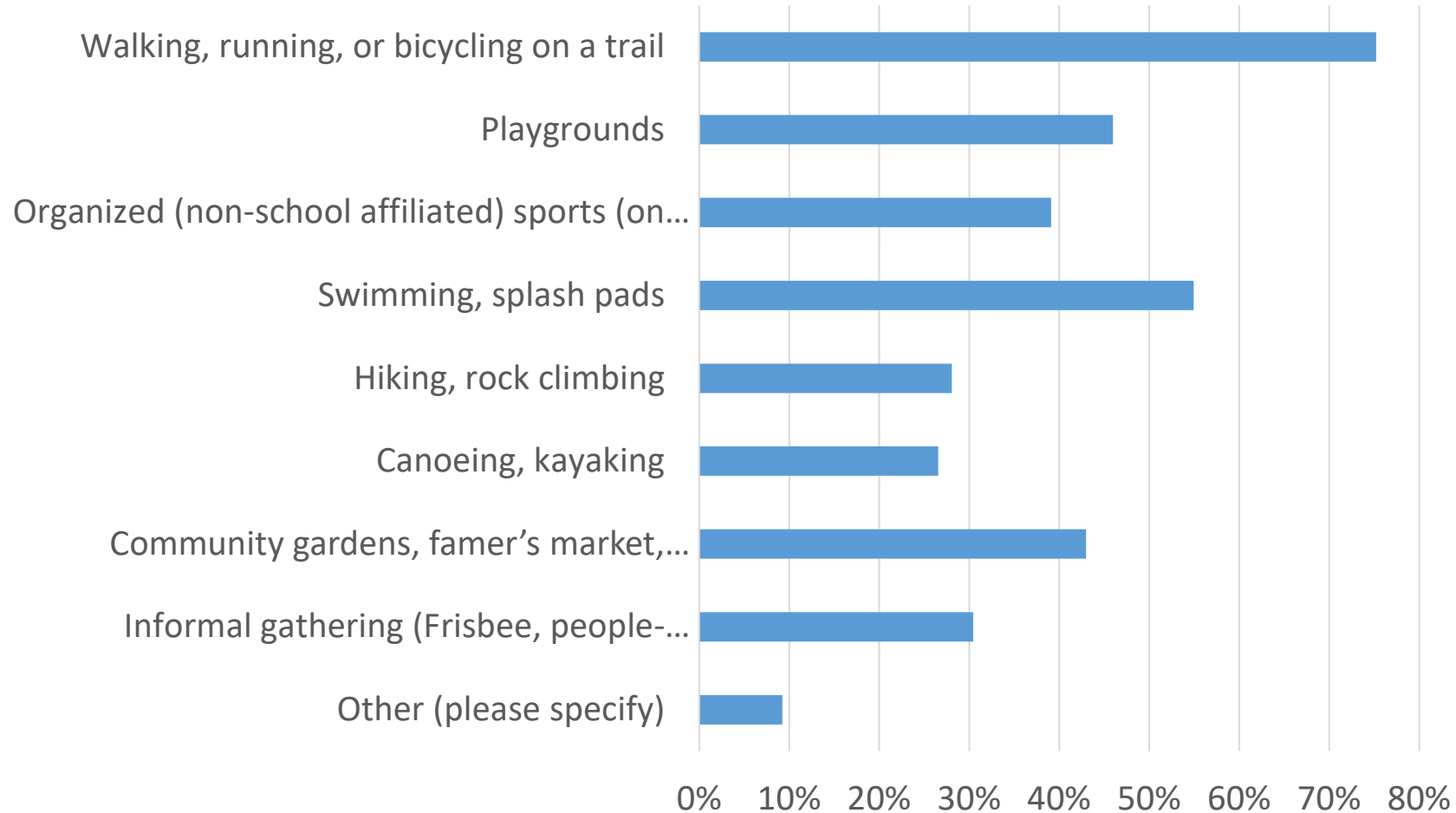




## Grow: Levels of Service (LOS) – Expressed Needs

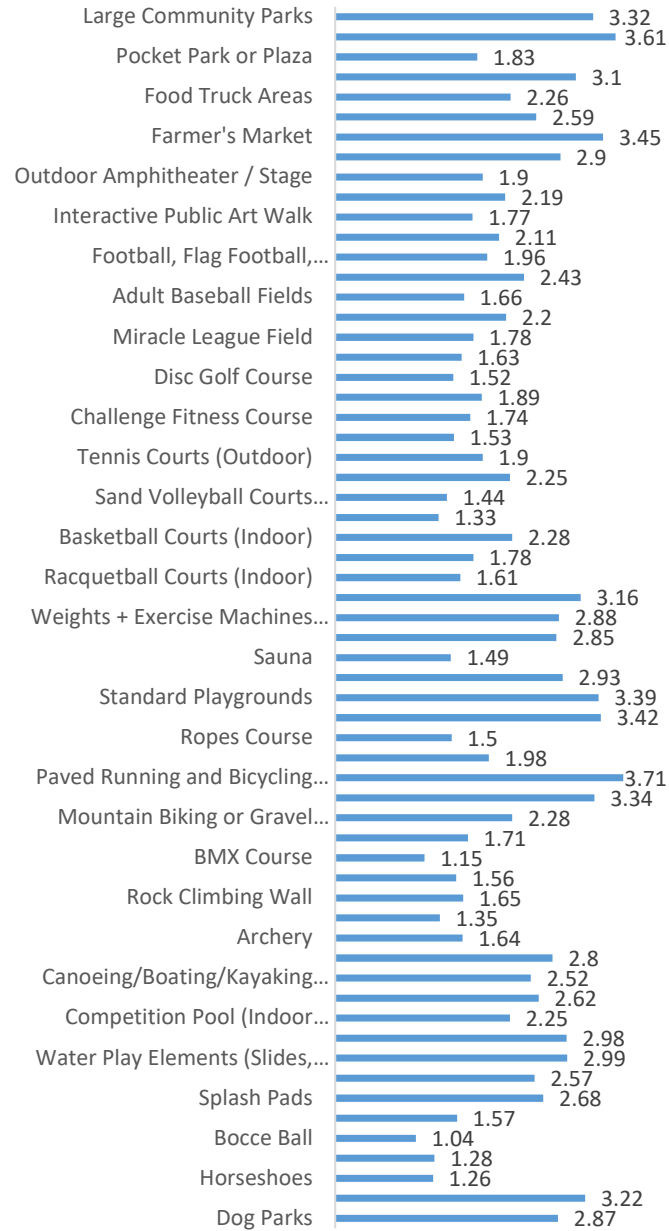


How do you or your family like to recreate and/or spend time outdoors? Please select all that apply.

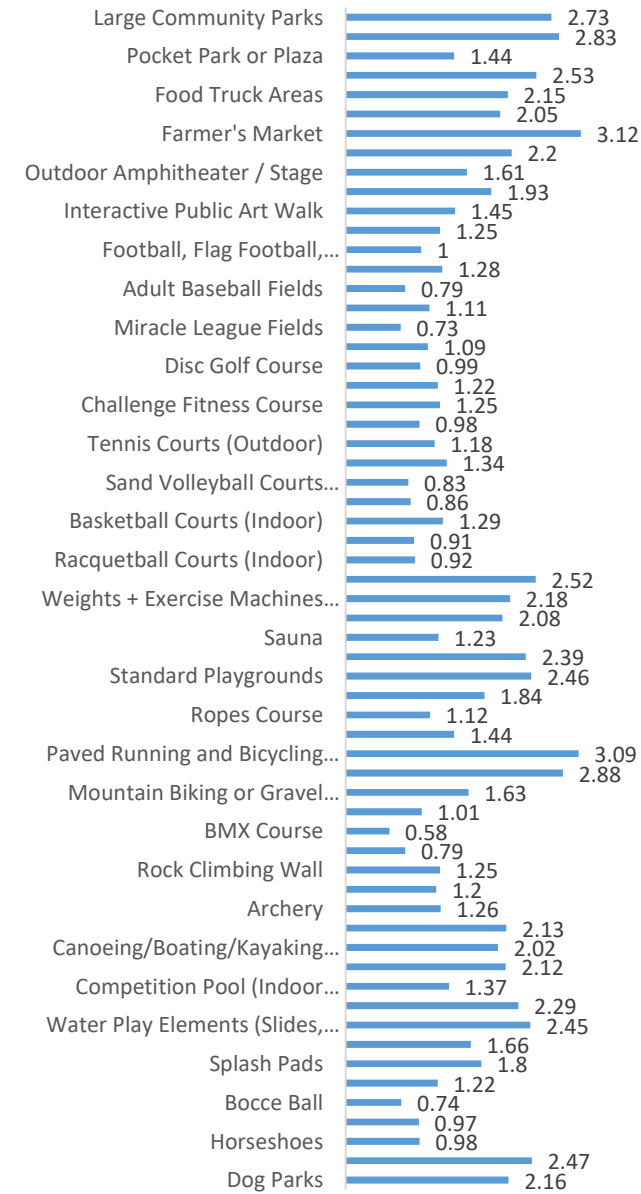




Please rank the **IMPORTANCE** of the following facilities to you or someone in your household: **Weighted Average**



Please indicate whether you or someone in your household has a **NEED** for each of the following: **Weighted Average**





# Grow: Levels of Service (LOS) - Facilities



## FACILITIES: DEMAND-BASED NEEDS

Facility Type	Survey 1, 011		Survey 2, 01		Survey 2, 02	
	Rank	Sherwood 2021 % of Respondents	Rank	Sherwood 2022 Weighted Score	Rank	Sherwood 2022 Weighted Score
<b>PARKS</b>						
Small Neighborhood Parks			2	3.61	4	2.83
Large Community Parks			7	3.32	5	2.73
<b>WALKING, RUNNING, OR BICYCLING ON A TRAIL</b>						
	1	75%				
Paved Running and Bicycling Trails			1	3.71	2	3.09
Hiking / Interpretive Nature Trails			6	3.34	3	2.88
Mountain Biking or Gravel Trails			26	2.28	26	1.63
<b>SWIMMING, SPLASH PADS</b>						
	2	55%				
Water Play Elements (Slides, Lazy River, etc)			11	2.99	10	2.45
Leisure Pool (Outdoor)			12	2.98	12	2.29
Splash Pads			19	2.68	24	1.80
Leisure Pool (Indoor)			20	2.62	18	2.12
Water Therapy Pool			22	2.57	25	1.66
Competition Pool (Indoor 25m or 50m)			29	2.25	31	1.37
<b>PLAYGROUNDS</b>						
	3	46%				
Accessible / Inclusive Playgrounds			4	3.42	23	1.84
Standard Playgrounds			5	3.39	9	2.46
Large Destination Playgrounds			13	2.93	11	2.39
Climbing Structures			33	1.98	30	1.44
<b>COMMUNITY GARDENS, FARMER'S MARKETS, FESTIVALS &amp; EVENTS</b>						
	4	43%				
Farmer's Market			3	3.45	1	3.12
Festivals + Events Space			21	2.59	20	2.05
Food Truck Areas			27	2.26	16	2.15
Community Gardens			31	2.19	22	1.93
Outdoor Amphitheater / Stage			35	1.90	27	1.61
<b>ORGANIZED SPORTS (on a course, field, or court): OUTDOOR</b>						
	5	39%				
Youth Baseball Fields			24	2.43	34	1.28
Basketball Courts (Outdoor)			28	2.25	32	1.34
Softball Fields			30	2.20	45	1.11
Soccer Fields			32	2.11	36	1.25
Football, Flag Football, Lacrosse Fields			34	1.96	48	1.00
Tennis Courts (Outdoor)			36	1.90	43	1.18
Kickball, Ultimate Frisbee, Misc. Open Field Sports			37	1.89	40	1.22
Miracle League Field			39	1.78	60	0.73
Adult Baseball Fields			44	1.66	57	0.79
Golf Course			47	1.63	46	1.09
Pickleball Courts (Outdoor)			51	1.53	50	0.98
Disc Golf Course			52	1.52	49	0.99

## FACILITIES: STANDARDS

Facility Type	NRPA	AGGREGATE 1 (US) 2020 *	AGGREGATE 2 (US) 2021 *
	Population	n/a	20,000-50,000 20,000-50,000
<b>Parks</b>			
Small Neighborhood Parks	2 ac per 1000 pop		
Large Community Parks	8 ac per 1000 pop		
<b>Walking, Running, Bicycling Trails</b>			
Paved Running and Bicycling Trails	No standard	1 mile per 3,087	1 mile per 2,916
Total Miles		10	11
Hiking / Interpretive Nature Trails	No standard	N/A	N/A
Mountain Biking or Gravel Trails	No standard	N/A	N/A
<b>Aquatics Centers</b>			
	No Standard	1 per 29,580	1 per 31,199
Water Play Elements (Slides, Lazy River, etc)	No standard	N/A	N/A
Pools (outdoor, non-competition)	1 per 20,000	1 per 27,000	1 per 24,664
Accommodate 3-5% of pop. at a time			
Splash Pads	No standard	N/A	N/A
Pools (indoor, non-competition)	See outdoor	1 per 29,481	1 per 29,165
Water Therapy Pool	No standard	1 per 29,873	1 per 35,945
Pools (indoor, 50 m competition)	See outdoor	1 per 41,629	1 per 41,629
Pools (indoor, 25 m competition)	No standard	1 per 32,024	1 per 37,000
<b>Playgrounds</b>			
Accessible / Inclusive Playgrounds	No standard	N/A	N/A
Standard Playgrounds	No standard	1 per 2,687	1 per 3,542
typically 1 per 2,500			
Large Destination Playgrounds	No standard	N/A	N/A
Climbing Structures	No standard	N/A	N/A
See Standard Playground			
<b>Festivals &amp; Events Space</b>			
Farmer's Market	No standard	N/A	N/A
Festivals + Events Space	No standard	N/A	N/A
Food Truck Areas	No standard	N/A	N/A
Community Gardens	No standard	1 per 29,132	1 per 21,850
Outdoor Amphitheater	No standard	1 per 29,883	1 per 31,199
<b>Organized Sports</b>			
Baseball Fields - youth	1 per 5,000	1 per 4,371	1 per 4,489
Basketball Courts (outdoor)	1 per 5,000	1 per 6,543	1 per 8,279
Softball Fields	1 per 5,000	1 per 8,067	1 per 7,479
Soccer Fields - youth	See adult	1 per 5,166	1 per 3,955
Soccer Fields - adult	1 per 10,000	1 per 10,134	1 per 10,400
Football Fields - game	1 per 20,000	1 per 15,067	1 per 21,125
Tennis Courts (outdoor)	1 per 2,000	1 per 4,630	1 per 4,903
Kickball, Ultimate Frisbee, Misc. Open Field	No standard	1 per 7,953	1 per 6,561
Miracle League Field	No standard	N/A	N/A
Baseball Fields - adult	See youth std.	1 per 20,876	1 per 16,500
Baseball Fields - lighted	1 per 30,000		
Golf (18-hole standard)	1 per 50,000	1 per 34,462	1 per 36,586
Pickleball (outdoor)	No Standard	N/A	1 per 15,766
Driving Range	1 per 50,000	1 per 22,961	1 per 33,000
Disc Golf	No standard	N/A	N/A

## FACILITIES: LOS

Sherwood: Existing LOS	Sherwood: Target LOS Standard
32,731	n/a
2 ac per 1000 pop	3 ac per 1000 pop
9 ac per 1000 pop	10 ac per 1000 pop
1 mile per 12,686	1 mile per 3,000
2.58	site-specific
N/A	on demand
1 per 32,731	1 per 30,000
N/A	1 per Aquatics Center
1 per 10,910	1 per 15,000
1 per 32,731	1 per 20,000
1 per 32,731	1 per Aquatics Center
N/A	1 per Aquatics Center
N/A	1 per Aquatics Center
1 per 1,818	1 per 2,600
N/A	1 per 30,000
N/A	on demand
N/A	1 per 30,000
N/A	1 per 30,000
1 per 5,455	1 per 5,000
1 per 4,091	1 per 5,000
1 per 6,546	1 per 6,000
1 per 4,676	1 per 5,000
0	2
2	3
1 per 2,728	1 per 5,000
N/A	1 per 10,000
N/A	1 per 30,000
1 per 32,731	1 per 20,000
1 per 32,731	1 per 30,000
N/A	1 per 10,000
1 per 32,731	1 per 30,000
1 per 32,731	1 per 30,000

## FACILITIES: NEEDS

Need: CURRENT	Need: 2040 Historic Trends	Need: 2040 Woods & Poole
32,731	50,881	52,144
30 acres	85 acres	88 acres
28 acres	209 acres	222 acres
8	14	15
-	-	-
-	-	-
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# Grow

## Policies & Actions

### 1. Park Land, General

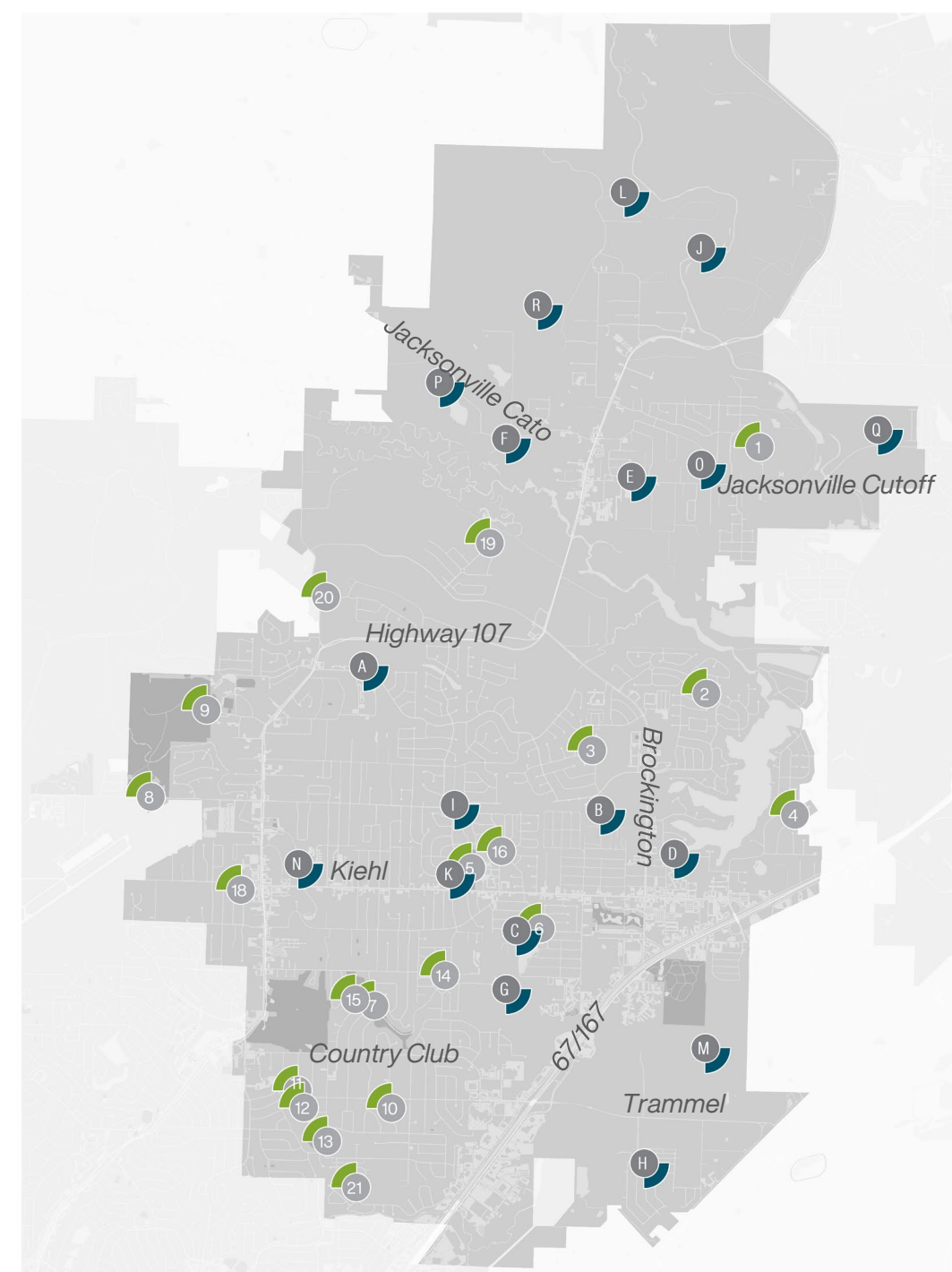
- Property acquisition
- Programming
- Build upon contextual features
- Create a parks foundation

### 2. Neighborhood Parks: 3 acres per 1,000 people

- Current: Identify and purchase land for 3-15 (approximately **30 acres** total) neighborhood parks
- By 2040: Identify and purchase land for a total of 9-40 neighborhood parks (approximately **88 acres** total, including current needs)
- Rule of thumb: provide **1 acre of park land per 133 dwelling units** as new development occurs to keep pace with population growth

### 3. Community Parks: 10 acres per 1,000 people

- By 2040: Identify and purchase land for a future community park, approximately **50 acres**
- By 2040: Identify and purchase land for a future sports complex, approximately **150-170 acres**

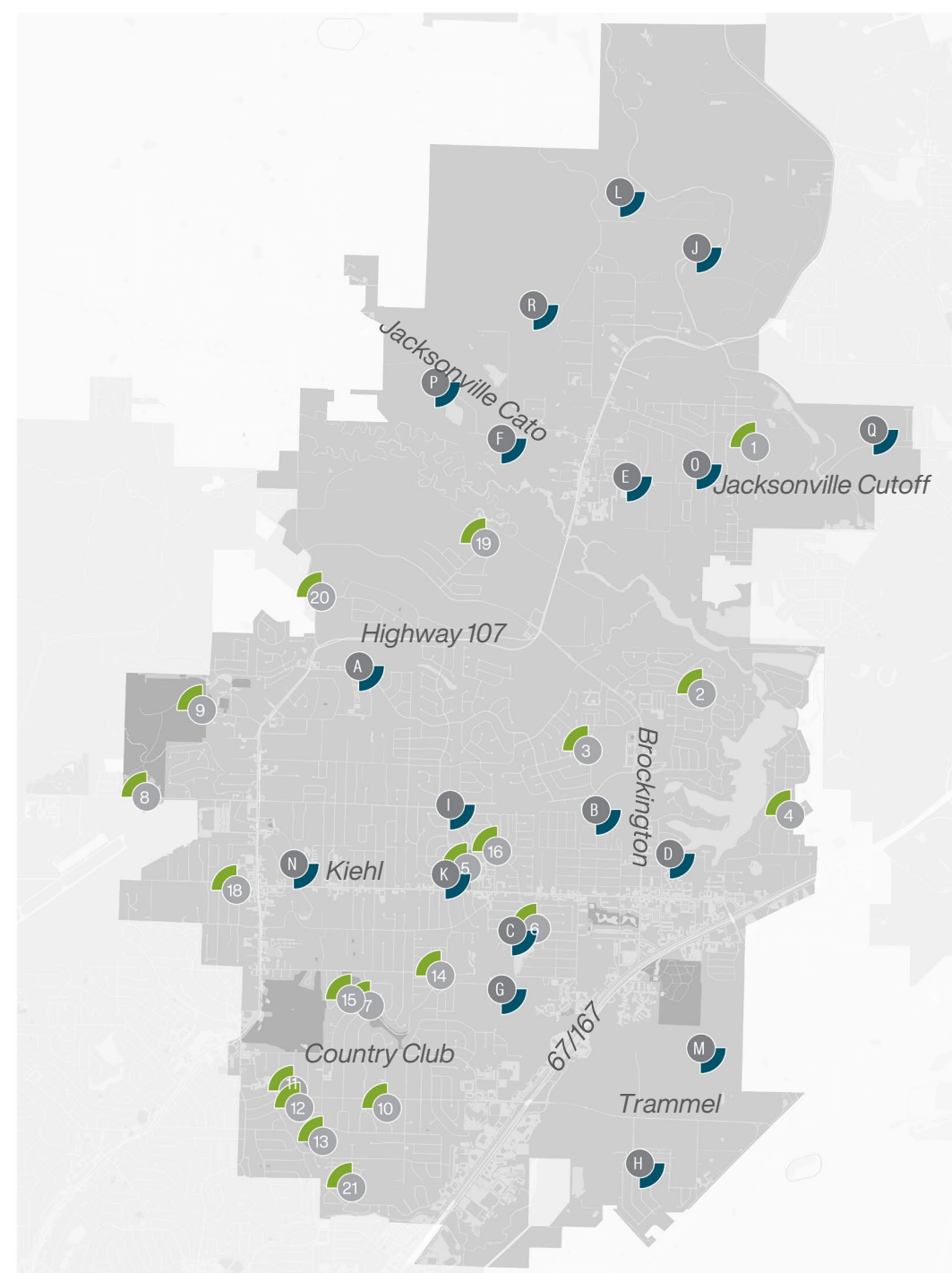




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## Policies & Actions

4. Specialized Parks & Facilities: as indicated by public interest
  - Consider adding parks/facilities that can generate revenue to help offset expenditures
    - Food truck park, ecological tours, educational classes, entertainment, rental facilities
5. Trails: 1 mile per 3,000 people
6. Swimming & Aquatics
  - 1 outdoor pool per 15,000 people (lower than current LOS)
  - 1 aquatics center per 30,000 people
7. Playgrounds: 1 per 2,500 residents
8. Community Gardens, Farmer's Markets, Festivals & Events: provide space within the system to accommodate
9. Baseball Fields:
  - 1 youth field per 5,000 people
  - 1 adult field per 20,000 people
10. Basketball Courts: 1 court per 5,000 people
11. Softball Fields: 1 field per 5,000 people

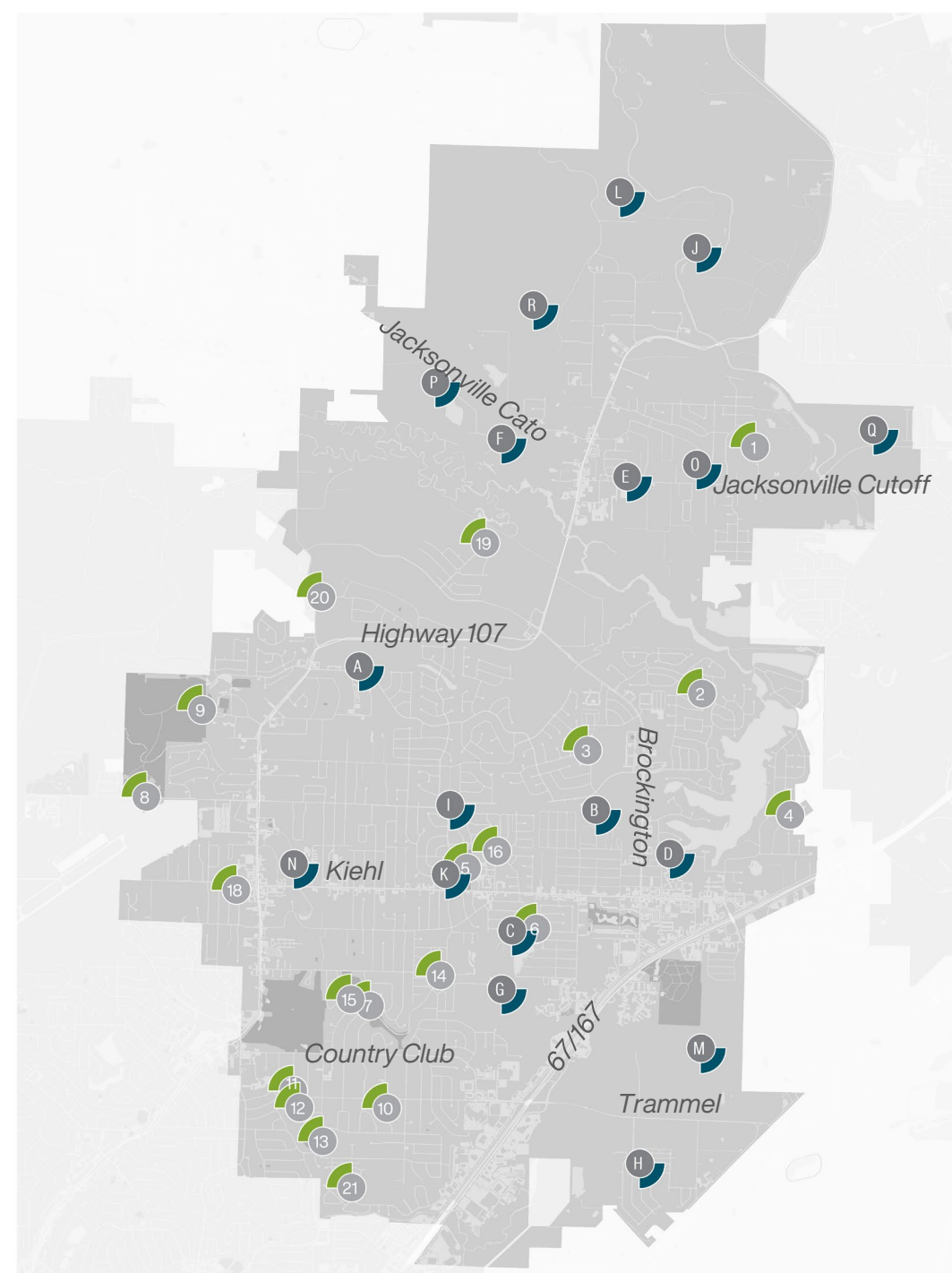




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## Policies & Actions

12. Soccer Fields:
  - 1 youth field per 5,000 people
  - 1 adult (U13+) field per 10,000 people
13. Football Fields: 1 field per 20,000 people
14. Multipurpose Fields: 1 field per 10,000 people
15. Tennis Courts: 1 court per 5,000 people
16. Pickleball Courts: 1 court per 10,000 people
17. Miracle League Fields: 1 field per 30,000 people
18. Golf: 1 course per 30,000 people
19. Disc Golf: 1 course per 30,000 people
20. Sand Volleyball: 1 court per 20,000 people
21. Recreation Centers: 1 center per 30,000 people
22. Nature Center/Nature Park: construct for passive recreation
23. Dog Park: 1 per 20,000 people
24. Informal Gathering Spaces: provide at all community parks; at neighborhood parks as space available
25. Other Facilities: as needed, on-demand







# Innovate

## 1. Keep parks **relevant, safe, and engaging** for all

- Upgraded fall zones
- Full-coverage lighting
- CPTED: Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design
  - Natural Surveillance
  - Social Management
  - Natural Access Control
  - Territorial Reinforcement
  - Maintenance



Source: Schröder



Source: Crafton Tull

## 2. **Expand** recreational offerings: family-oriented activities, public events spaces, social opportunities

- Engage community regarding new recreation options
- Create opportunities for social interaction
- Implement multiple design purposes: event space to sports courts



Source: City of Thornton, CO



Source: Design Workshop



## Innovate: City-Wide Themes

3. Innovatively and creatively design and construct **identifiable destinations**

*Accomplished by connecting various Sherwood Parks with a unique theme and offering that encourages future visits and broader system exploration*

### Blueways:

Kayaking, Canoeing, & Floating

### Explorative Playgrounds:

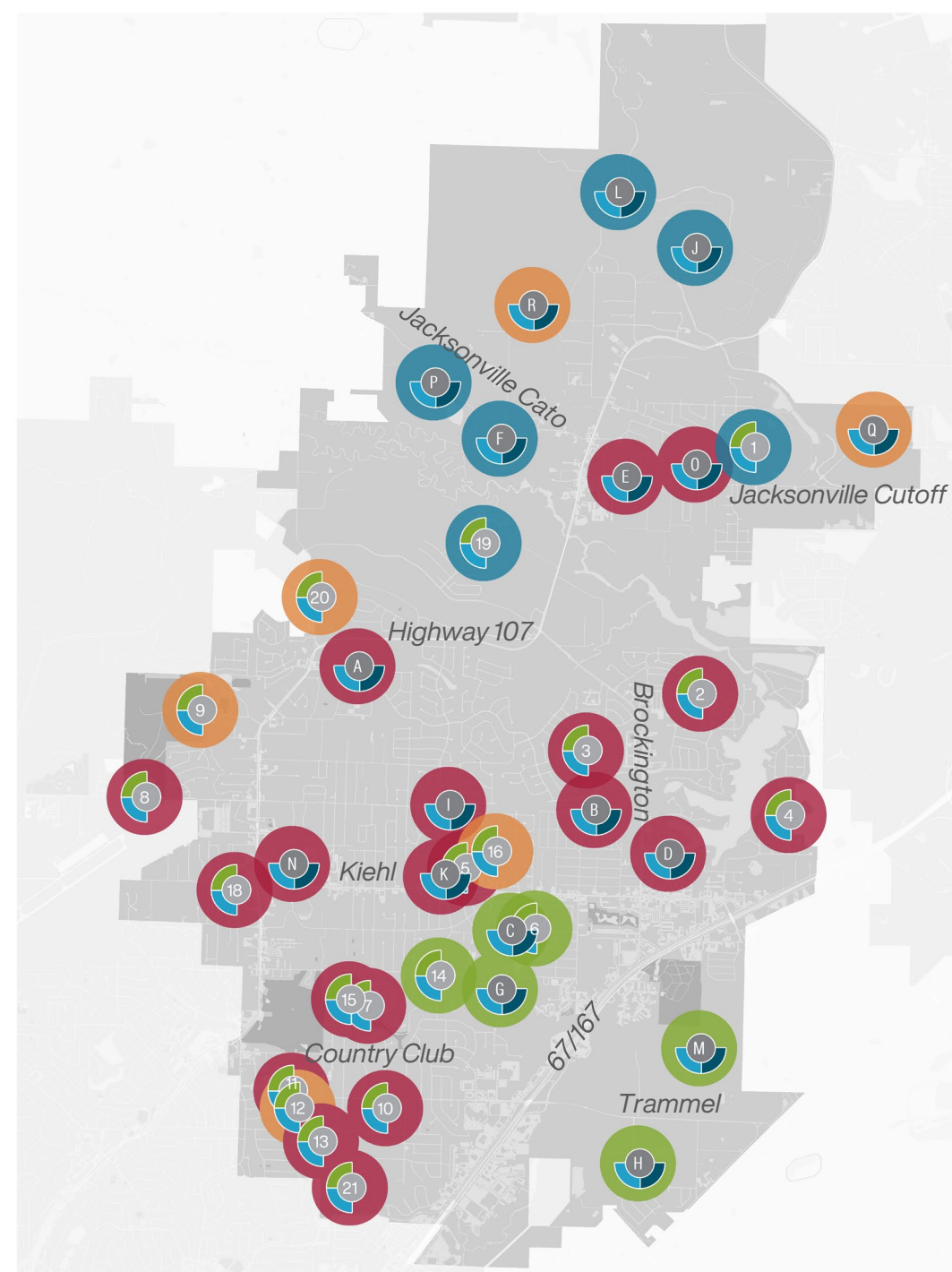
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### Nature Preserves:

Sherwood's Flora and Fauna

### Specialized Facilities:

Exciting activities for a range of users







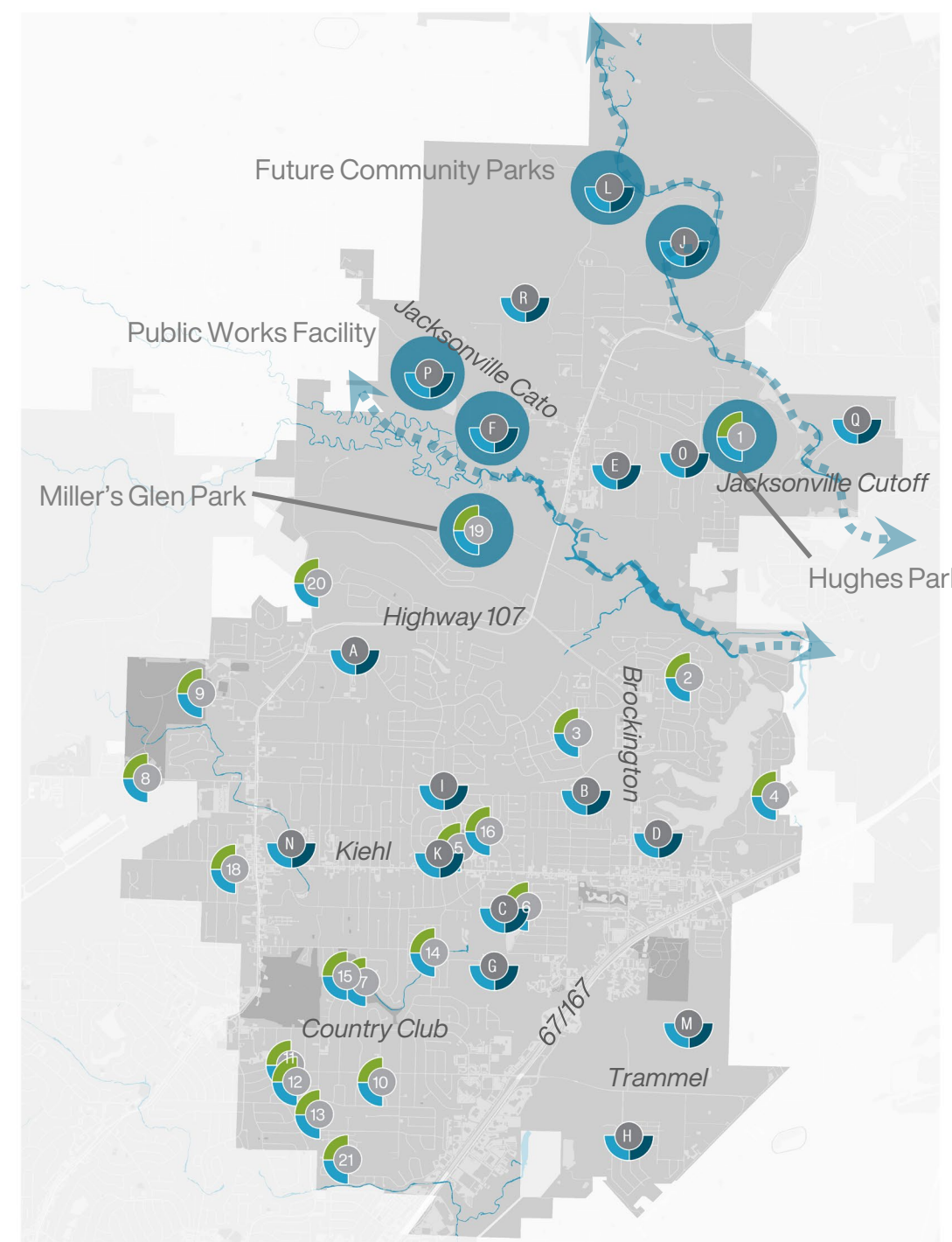
# Innovate: City-Wide Themes

## Blueways:

Kayaking, Canoeing & Floating



Source: Crafton Tull







# Innovate: City-Wide Themes

## Explorative Playgrounds: Storybook Characters



Storybook Playgrounds Hub: Sanders Library. Source: Flynco



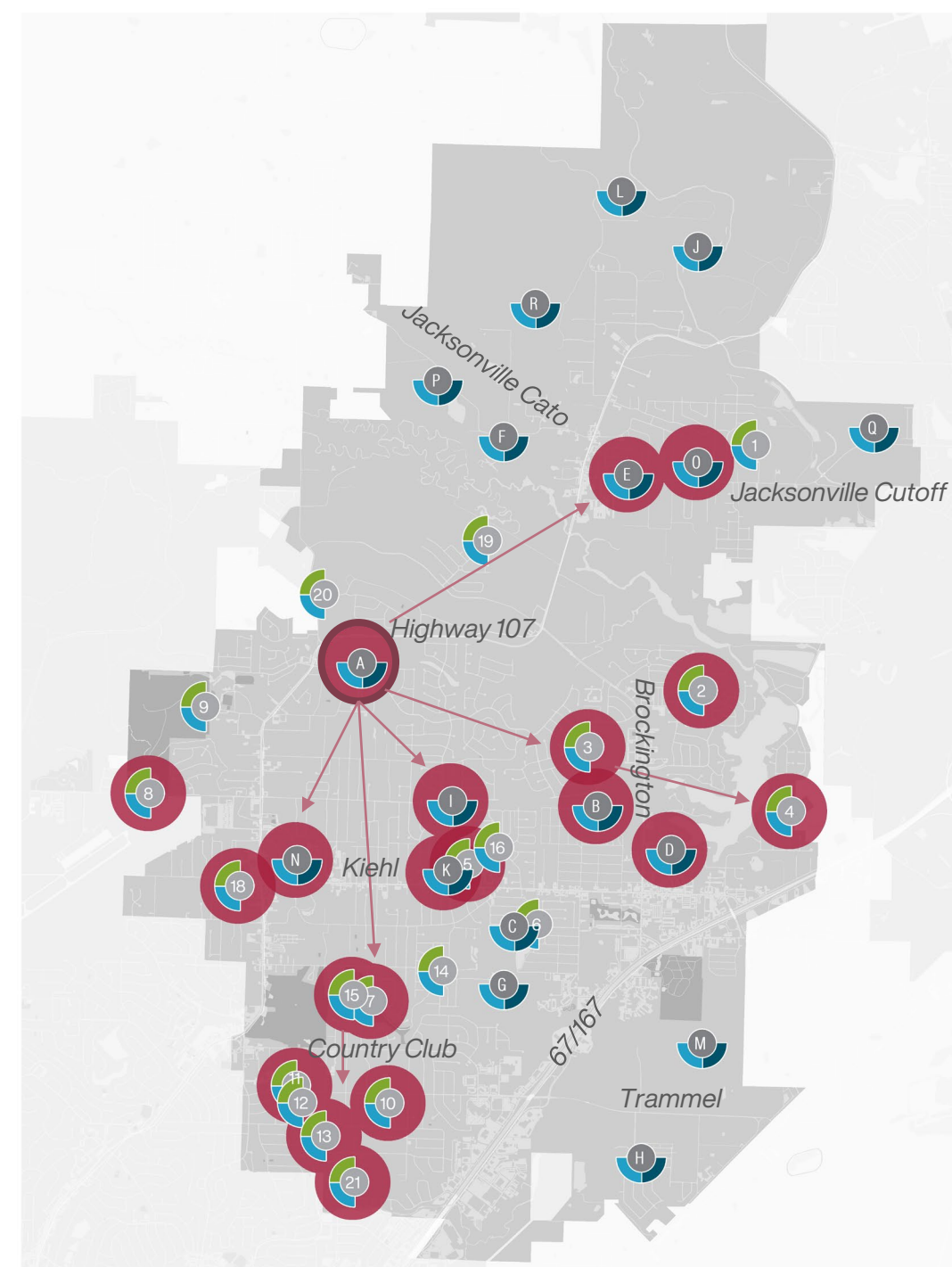
Tulsa's Gathering Place. Source: Crafton Tull



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## Innovate: City-Wide Themes

### Explorative Playgrounds:

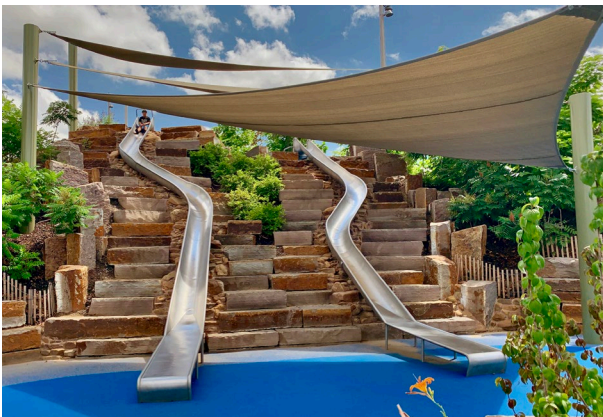
Storybook Characters



Storybook Playgrounds Hub: Sanders Library. Source: Flynco



Tulsa's Gathering Place. Source: Crafton Tull



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Source: Crafton Tull

### EXAMPLES

- Winnie-the-Pooh & Characters
- Brothers Grimm Fairy Tales
- The Legend of Robin Hood
- Bambi & Woodland Creatures
- Peter Pan
- Alice in Wonderland





# Innovate: City-Wide Themes

## Natural Areas:

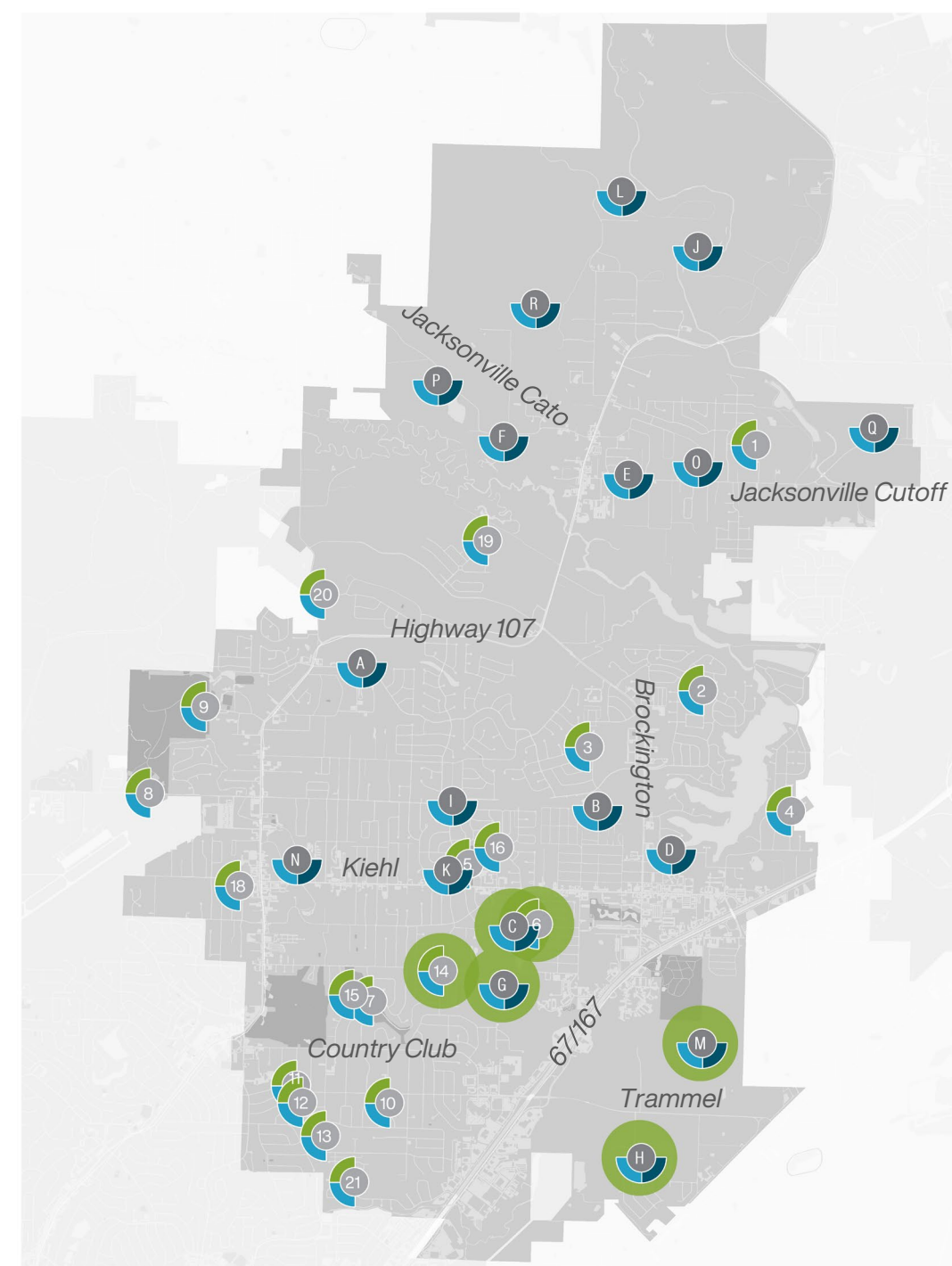
Sherwood's Flora and Fauna



Scioto Audubon Metro Park, Columbus, OH. Source: Columbus Underground



Lorance Creek. Source: Crafton Tull





# Innovate: City-Wide Themes

## Specialized Facilities:

Exciting activities for a range of users



Source: Crafton Tull



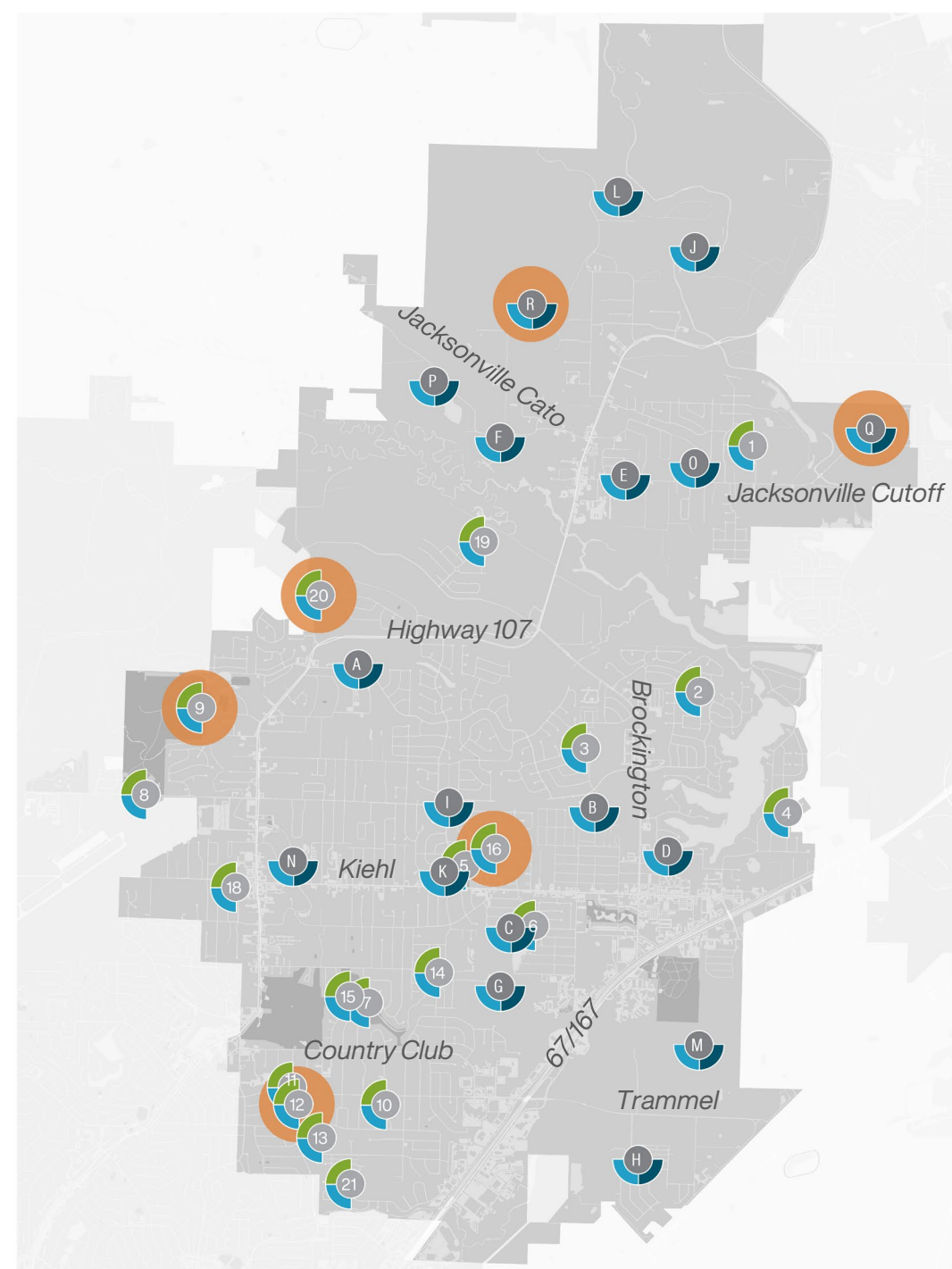
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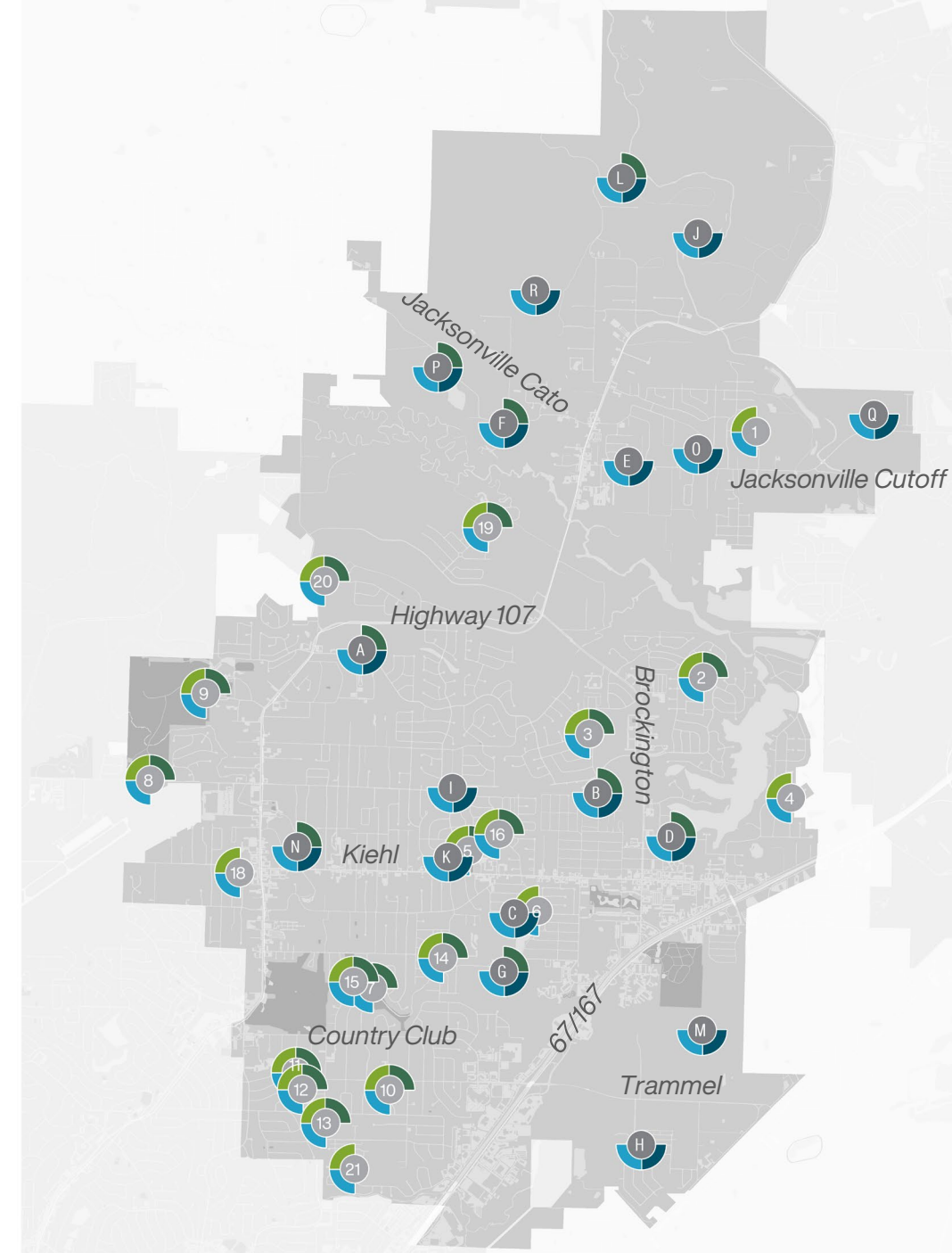


## Access

1. Guide visitors to parks through **wayfinding signage**



Source: City of Woodstock, VA







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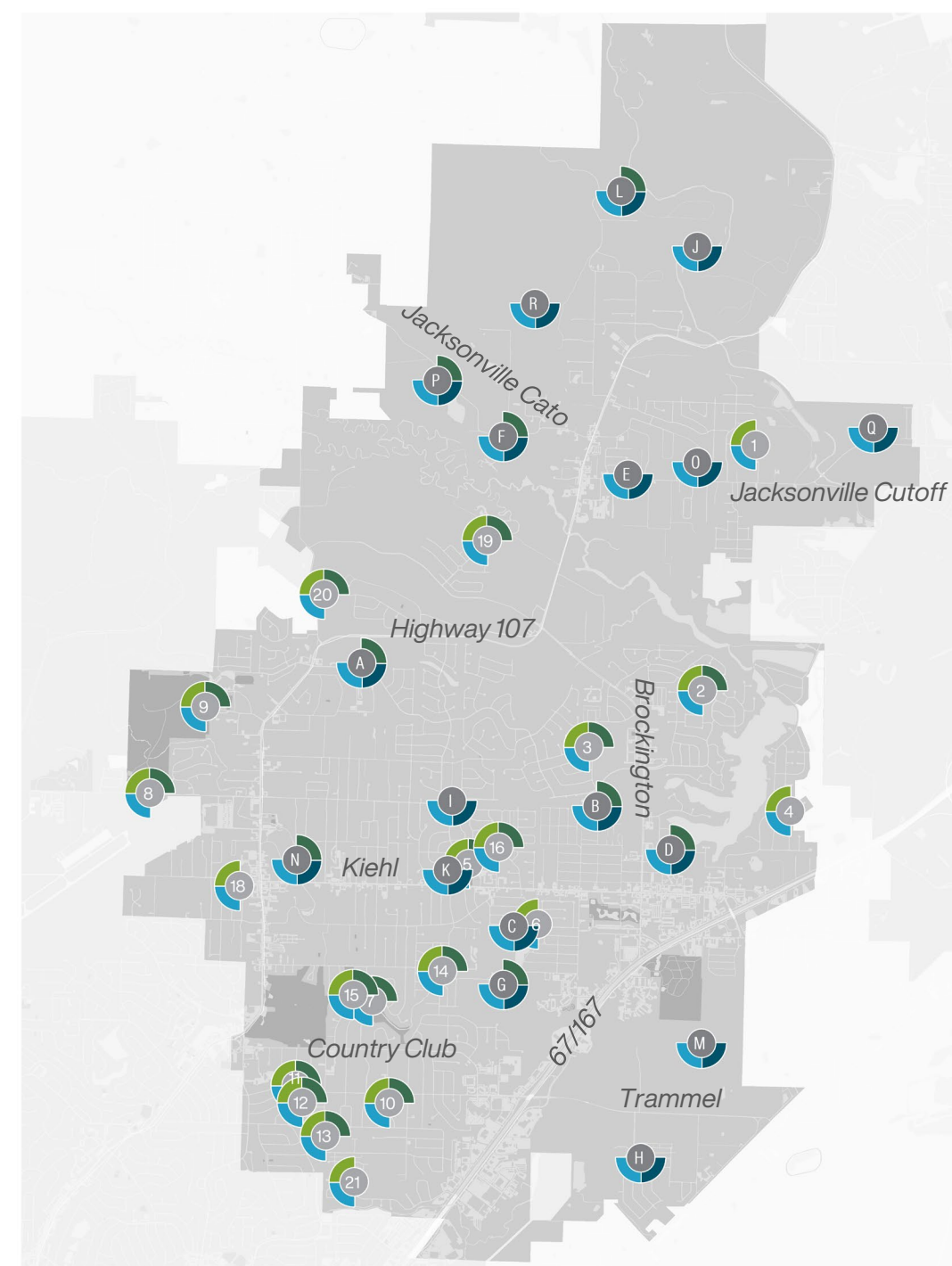
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Parks with trails become destinations. Source: SWA



Source: Crafton Tull





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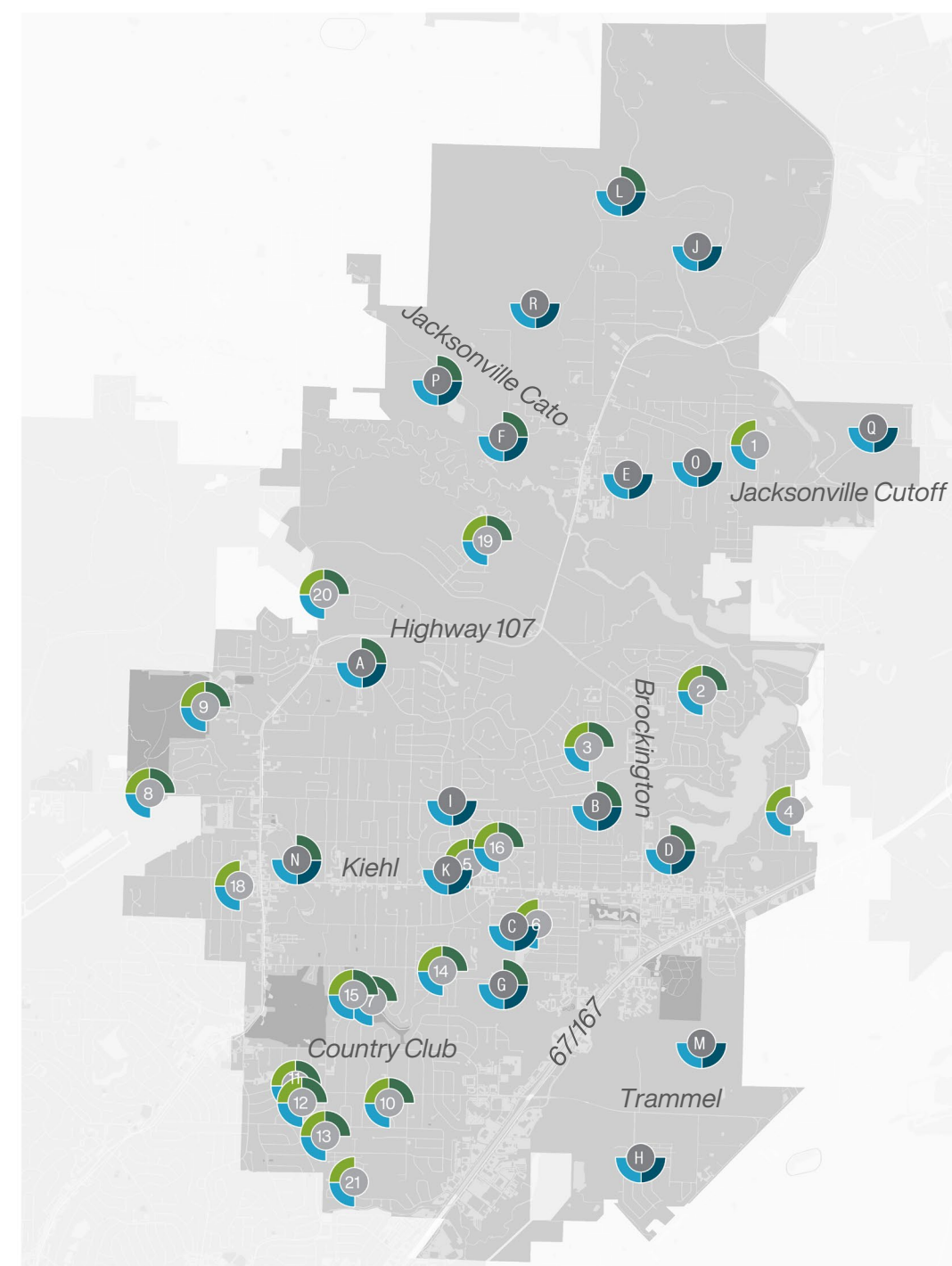
2. Connect parks with **trails** and on-street **bicycle facilities**

### Per current plans:

**23 of 39** current and future parks could be accessible by separated bicycle facility (sidepath or trail)



**35 of 39** current and future parks could be accessible by separated or on-street bicycle facilities





# District Recommendations

Future Sherwood

Suburban Sherwood

Historic Sherwood





## “Historic Sherwood”

### Assessment

- Greatest concentration of parks in entire system
- Older equipment in need of upgrading
- Asphalt parking lots and trails in need of overlay & repairs

### Action Steps

- Focus upgrade efforts in this area first, retrofitting parks to provide expanded recreation offerings in attractive spaces
- Showcase educational aspects of natural areas, such as Peeler Lake & Woodruff Creek
- Leverage Innovation Plans to make small neighborhood parks interesting destinations
- Leverage wayfinding signage to connect southeast park to the rest of the system



## “Suburban Sherwood”

### Assessment

- Newer parks and homes
- Fewer park count compared to Historic Sherwood, and distributed over a larger area
- Distributed according to new subdivisions

### Action Steps

- Maintain and upgrade existing parks
- Identify undeveloped parcels for acquisition
- Focus on unique opportunities afforded by future trail access and nearby destinations (school, community center, commercial areas)
- Locate parks within ½-mile walking distance from homes
- Maintain and upgrade existing parks





## “Future Sherwood”

### Assessment

- Fewest parks in entire system
- Residential land uses clustered on east side of Highway 107
- Highway 107 is difficult to cross safely

### Action Steps

- Keep pace with new development through acquisition, developer donation, the creation of a Parks Foundation, or a combination of these to identify and acquire land for future parks
- Embrace natural beauty of the area with kayaking, mountain biking, and scenic gathering opportunities



# Park-Specific Recommendations

Recommendations for each existing park within the network, not specified within **city-wide** or **district** recommendations

Several actions can be implemented in the near-term

## PARK-SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS



MILLERS PARK



SHERWOOD SPORTS COMPLEX



SHERWOOD FOREST



STORER PARK



THE GREENS AT NORTH HILLS



DELMONT PARK



DURAN YOUTH CENTER



VERONA PARK



FAIRWAY PARK



SILVERCREEK PARK

- MILLERS PARK**
- Add Miller's Park to Parks and Recreation inventory on website and address in Google Maps for ease of public access.
  - Add new signage and landscaping to match aesthetic of Sherwood Parks and Recreation system.
  - Commission master plan design for best placement of mountain bike trails and the following amenities:
    - Parking lot and lighting
    - Restrooms and water fountains
    - Small gathering area/plaza near parking
    - Bike wash station
    - Security cameras
  - Incorporate Kellogg Acres Road sidepath proposed on the Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan to tie directly into park.
  - Consider a possible trail connection to Oakdale Road on the east end of city-owned property.

- SHERWOOD SPORTS COMPLEX**
- Designate parking for specific sports fields through directional signage. Designate t-ball parking spots.
  - Create wayfinding signage for pedestrian circulation throughout the sports complex.
  - Provide wayfinding to Sherwood Sports Complex from Highway 107.
  - Create completely connected pedestrian network among all sports fields and tennis courts.
  - Expand sidewalks to 12' wide sidepaths leading to highest-use spectator fields.
  - Pave the gravel path between softball fields for circulation and access between both parking lots with named streets.
  - Permanently open the Sherwood Forest connection between Sherwood Forest and Sherwood Sports Complex to allow vehicular access from north and south to new archery and disc golf facilities, possibly at the "Mule Barn".
  - Focus on connecting parking lots to relieve parking at high school.
  - Create accessible parking options, regrade parking if needed.
  - Connect Sherwood Forest and Sports Complex via trails, including a connection along Woodruff Creek to Maryland and the Central Arkansas Regionals Trail network.
  - Explore the possibility of a mountain biking loop.
  - Regrade baseball fields 2 and 3.

- SHERWOOD FOREST**
- Carefully consider the addition of a camping area with RV hookups north of the park.
  - Construct a major playground and concessions to serve splash pad users, the public, and summer camps. Coordinate with Explorative Playgrounds Innovation Theme to install a playground that is connected to other elements of Sherwood Forest.
  - Install lighting in the parking lot and near the basketball courts.
  - Landscaping upgrades are recommended throughout the entire park, particularly around the plaza with fountains, building, and pavilion.
  - Add internal pedestrian circulation and sidewalk connection to Maryland from the splashpad and building.
  - Consider utilizing grass pavers as a low-impact development approach for overflow parking areas.
  - Upgrade the Trail of Lights road for permanent use to circulate between the Sherwood Sports Complex during daytime hours.
  - Allow public access to the pavilion during weekday business hours. Reserve for rentals in the evenings and on weekends.
  - Add sidewalks to connect POW/MIA monument to the main play areas and future playgrounds as an educational opportunity for children.
  - Contact the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding possibility of connecting Sherwood Forest to State Veterans Cemetery via multi-use trail.

- STORER PARK**
- Replace the damaged Storer Park sign.
  - Improve landscaping near entry signage.
  - Specify parking stalls and park driveway via paving, striping, and signage.
  - Resurface the paved trail.
  - Provide a pedestrian connection to Kehi. This will include land purchase or acquisition of an access easement to the north of the park.
  - Add general landscaping and ground covering.
  - Add permanent basketball goal on slab.
  - Create an ADA-accessible seating area.

- THE GREENS AT NORTH HILLS**
- Add yardage flags to driving range.
  - Consider the addition of bunkers.

- DELMONT PARK**
- Improve landscaping near entry signage.
  - Mount the currently rock-mounted velorum plaque to a high-quality cast iron or aluminum post for better visibility.
  - Add clear, designated on-street parking.
  - Address drainage and add shade-tolerant sod to reduce erosion.

- DURAN YOUTH CENTER**
- Focus on historic preservation of the city's first fire station across the street. Incorporate it into educational programming of youth center. If it is not utilized for other municipal purposes.
  - Upgrade and clearly indicate the accessible circulation path from parking to the Center and park amenities beyond.
  - Improve landscaping near entry signage.
  - Install deciduous trees to provide additional shade to the park.
  - Implement pedestrian circulation.
  - Replace trimmed plants near manhole and tennis courts.
  - Replace the western tennis court with two pickleball courts.
  - Repaint basketball court with creative, artistic design.
  - Replace chain link fence near basketball court with black vinyl chain link fencing.
  - Provide an outdoor ping pong table on slab near playground.
  - Remove table from paved play area near Sherwood Avenue.
  - Continue sidewalk on north side of youth center to the remainder of sidewalks.
  - Conduct drainage study to maximize natural surface runoff away from building.
  - Add gutters to roof exterior to deposit on east side of building.
  - Add landscaping near building.
  - Restripe parking area off Sherwood Avenue.
  - Add railing to stairs leading to Sherwood Avenue parking.
  - Replace directional sign on Country Club to Duran Youth Center that reads "Sherwood Recreation Center" with one that indicates the correct name of the facility.

- VERONA PARK**
- Create ADA-accessible seating area.
  - Upgrade all park seating.
  - Make swing area ADA-accessible.
  - Improve landscaping near entry signage.
  - Negotiate with property owner for installation of a taller, solid wood fence to shield visitors from aggressive dogs.
  - Connect sidewalk through park to Verona Avenue to the south for increased circulation and connection.
  - Improve short-term accessibility of fall zone for playground prior to fall playground and fall zone upgrade.
  - Add seating near basketball court.
  - Improve edges of basketball court, particularly near southwest corner to create continuous surface.

- FAIRWAY PARK**
- Incorporate shade trees and landscaping around upcoming perimeter trail and pavilions.
  - Replace dog park fencing with black vinyl chain link fencing or aluminum ornamental fencing.
  - Enhance dog watering area with human and canine watering options.
  - Add screened landscaping near parking area and on north side of park.
  - Convert pool restrooms for use year-round.
  - Consider adding sand volleyball courts.

- SILVERCREEK PARK**
- Add a connection to Silver Creek Drive via sidewalk heading west from the park on the south side of the alley to the bend in Silver Creek. Provide a footbridge over the creek and head south along the east side of the creek to Silver Creek Drive. Total pathway length is approximately 225 feet. This connection provides park service to the southernmost neighborhood in Sherwood.
  - Prioritize security camera installation due to alley access for adjacent homes.



HUGHES PARK



AUSTIN LAKE PARK



INDIANHEAD LAKE PARK



STONER HILL PARK



BILL HARMON RECREATION CENTER



THORNHILL PARK



LAKE CHERRYWOOD PARK



PICKTHORNE PARK



HENSON PARK



DEVON PARK

- SILVERCREEK PARK (CONTINUED)**
- Add one-way in and one-way out signage for park visitors.
  - Update park sign and add landscaping adjacent to it.
  - Add new swing set with regular, infant, and ADA-accessible options.
  - Add 3-4 45° angled parking stalls.
  - Add new basketball goal.
  - Consider adding playground equipment.
  - Consider adding space for horseshoes or informal space marked for other lawn games such as Bocce or corn hole.
  - Add seating and approved landscaping as an amenity for visitors and nearby residents.
  - Add ground cover or shrubs to shield young children and lawn play items from creek.
  - Add Silvercreek Park to Parks and Recreation inventory on website and address in Google Maps for ease of public access.

- HUGHES PARK**
- Incorporate shade trees and landscaping around perimeter trail, around restrooms, and around entrance road.
  - Add shade trees near playground and basketball court.
  - Expand east toward Bayou Metro via property acquisition or access easement to provide boat/canoe/kayak launch areas.
  - Negotiate property acquisition of vacant parcel at end of Valewood Court to allow ease of access for residences to Hughes Park. A 12'-wide multi-use trail connection between the cul-de-sac and park is recommended.
  - Install hammocking "spots" in wooded area. Install short path from pavilions to pond to draw attention to a unique area of the park.
  - Construct a multi-purpose field for kickball, ultimate frisbee, and pickup games of soccer, football, baseball, etc.

- AUSTIN LAKE PARK**
- Add park signage at each park entrance.
  - Improve pedestrian access to the playground when upgraded.
  - Add landscaping around pavilions and each pedestrian entrance.
  - Encourage the Gap Creek H2A to add compensated granite to the natural trails to stabilize their surface and reduce wear from soggy conditions.
  - Provide parking on the east side of the park.

- INDIANHEAD LAKE PARK**
- Replace pool with a destination splashpad.
  - Create ADA-accessible seating area.
  - Move park signage closer to Deerfield Dr. so it is not blocked by parked cars, and add landscaping.
  - Add shrubs for screening along parking lot edge and pool fence.
  - Connect play areas to pavilion via sidewalks.
  - Consider adding sand volleyball or pickleball.
  - Replace pool fencing with black vinyl chain link fencing or aluminum ornamental fencing.
  - Restripe parking spaces.
  - Gauge public interest in adding community gardens to southern area of park.
  - Add pedestrian connection from Algonkio to Custer for increased pedestrian access to amenities.

- STONER HILL PARK**
- Create ADA-accessible seating area.
- BILL HARMON RECREATION CENTER**
- Add perennial flowers, additional groundcover, and improved landscaping around entrance signage.
  - Permanently stripe the basketball court to include pickleball as well as volleyball.

- THORNHILL PARK • GREENWAY**
- Reorganize parking, circulation, and gathering spaces as indicated in Sherwood's Vision 2040 comprehensive plan.
  - Add landscaping along trail, parking lot screening, and around public exercise facilities.
  - Replace pool fencing with black vinyl chain link fencing or aluminum ornamental fencing.
  - Consider adding historical informational plaques near Union Pacific bazaar.
  - Consider educational signage regarding waterfowl near ponds.
  - Add seating near pond for fishing.
  - Provide space for a Farmer's Market with appropriate accommodations in place for stalls and truck parking. This application may be a temporary location until the Entertainment District is realized.

- LAKE CHERRYWOOD PARK**
- Upgrade pier to ADA-accessible standards and extend to add benches for fishing.
  - Improve landscaping near entry signage.
  - Move signage closer to road and parking.
  - Minimize parking pavement and re-stripe parking stalls.
  - Add designated areas for hammocking among trees.
  - Complete a joint use agreement between the City and owner of Lake Cherrywood for use and access.
  - Create busy circuit for kayaking or canoeing around the lake.
  - Research the feasibility for a seasonal staffer maintaining fishing and/or kayak rental station as well as for field trips, etc. for the purpose of education, per Nature Preserves in Pillar Three: Innovate.
  - Upgrade the basketball court surface.
  - Consider siting an accessible playground at this park, utilizing property that is not subject to flooding and paying careful attention to minimally impact existing trees in order to maintain the park's focus on the natural environment.

- PICKTHORNE PARK**
- Install full-cutoff lighting at the parking area and along the trail.
  - Upon extension of the Hollywood Trail to Clinton Elementary, create gathering space with full-cutoff lights, canopy trees, seating, and water fountains as rest stop.
  - Create shaded area either through trees, shade canopies, or a pavilion near the basketball courts.
  - Add shade trees or shade sails around playground.
  - Replace recently removed trees.
  - Install topsoil and shade-tolerant sod in areas of wear.
  - Upgrade Windchime Ave. crossing from Pickthorne Park southward toward the Henson Park Trail.

- HENSON PARK • TRAIL**
- Replace pro shop with public restrooms.
  - Convert one tennis court near the pro shop to two pickleball courts.
  - Add new playground and fall zone near parking area.
  - Redesign of parking area at Beverly Ave. to accommodate the trail, additional parking, and to connect east and west areas of the park.
  - Add new, corrected sign (in progress).
  - Improve accessibility of playground and fall zone prior to replacement.
  - Upgrade trail from Pickthorne to Devon to a 14' multi-use concrete trail. Reconstruct the bridge to eliminate the sharp curve on the north side.
  - Consider this location for a dog park.

- DEVON PARK**
- Add landscaping around playground after construction of new playground and fall zone.
  - Upgrade N Devon Ave. crosswalk between Devon Park and Henson Park.

- MILLERS GLEN PARK**
- Add Miller's Glen Park to Parks and Recreation inventory on website and address in Google Maps for ease of public access.
  - Add new signage and landscaping to match aesthetic of Sherwood Parks and Recreation system at each pedestrian entrance.
  - Retain existing tree coverage to maintain shade and natural feel.
  - Create trail connection to future recreation trail along Kellogg Creek.
  - If adequate space is available, consider adding the following amenities:
    - Playground
    - Basketball goal
    - Hammocking area
    - Swings
    - Paved walking trail



## Summary: Park Land

- **Maintain or exceed current levels of service** for park land as the population grows
  - 88 additional acres of neighborhood parks by 2040
  - 200-220 additional acres of community parks by 2040
- Dedicate space for **passive recreation** and **expanded recreation trends** within current and future parks
- Add parks that highlight the **natural environment** of Sherwood to the system's offerings





## Summary: Recreation Facilities

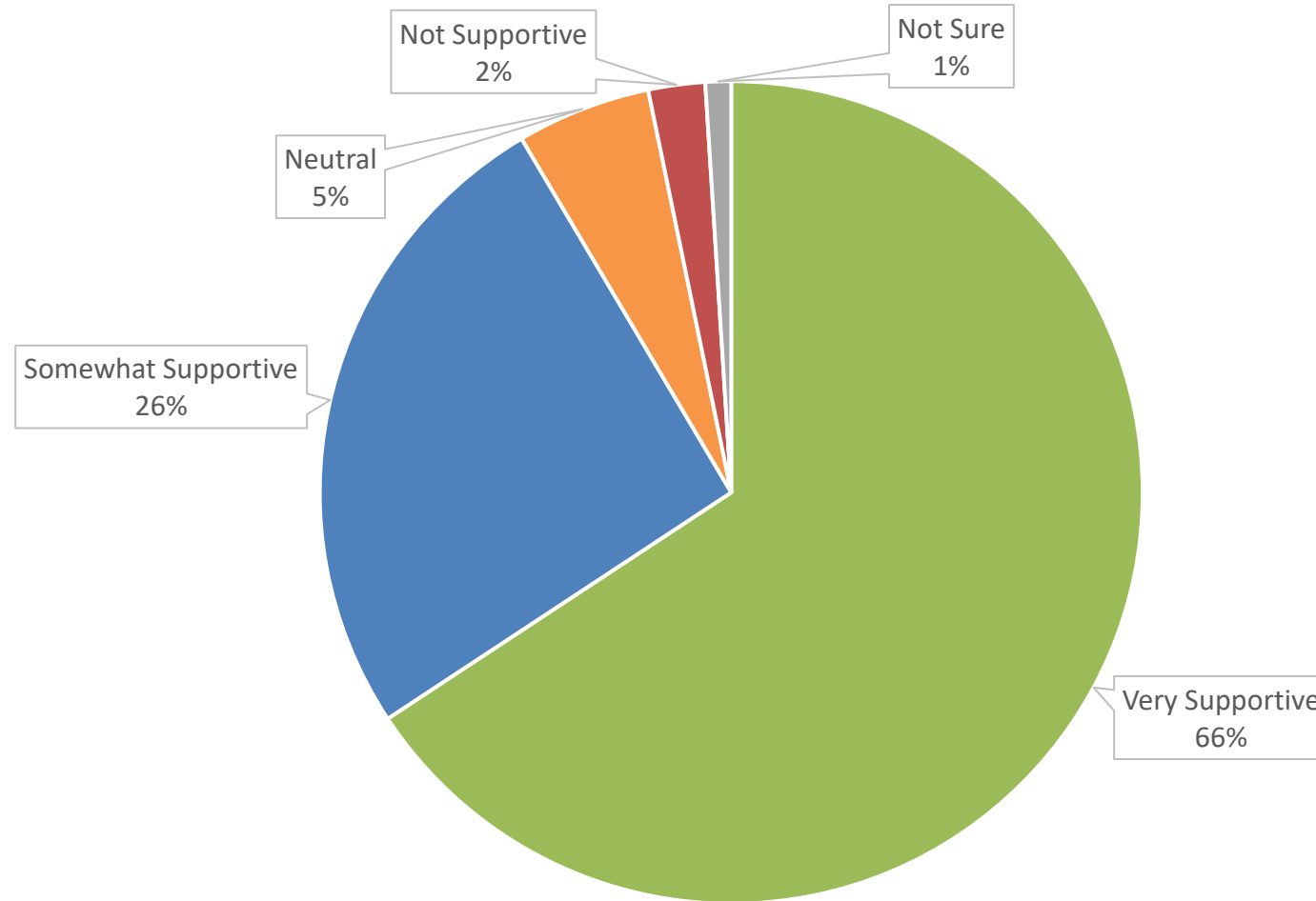
- **Upgrade existing facilities** and provide “simple comforts” at all parks
- Provide new facilities to **keep pace with growth** at current and/or target levels of service
- **Diversify recreation offerings** to accommodate expanded age groups and activity types
- Respond to expressed needs for **specialized facilities**





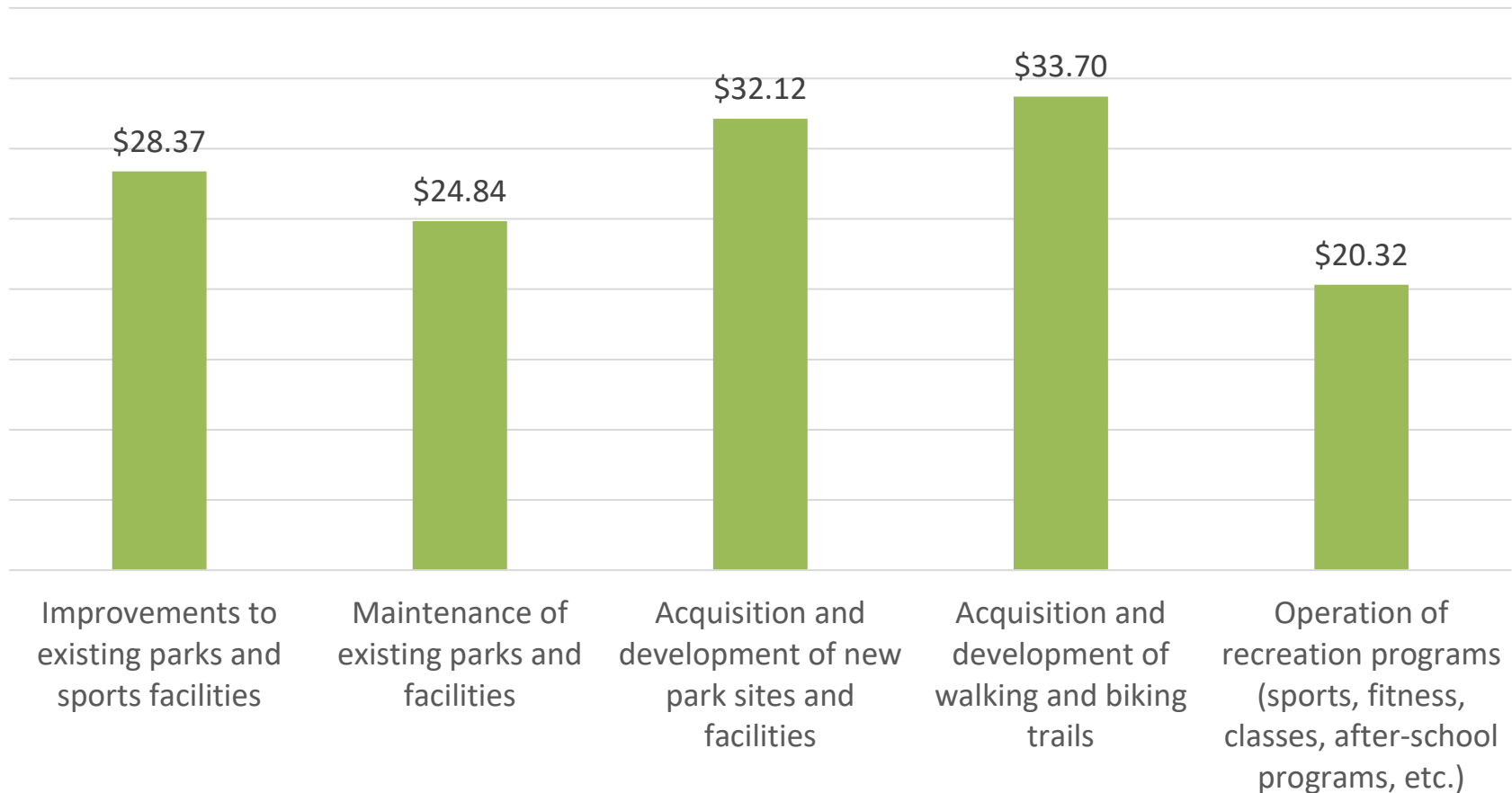
## Public Support

What is your level of support for the City of Sherwood using tax dollars to develop and operate parks and recreation facilities, trails, and programs most important to your household?



## Public Support

If you could spend \$100 on City of Sherwood parks, trails, sports, and other facilities, how would you allocate the funds among the following categories? (Note: Sum must equal 100.)





## Next Steps

- Implementation Matrix Development
- Master Plan Report Documentation
- Final Public Open House
- Plan Adoption Process





# SHERWOOD

## Parks System Master Plan



Crafton Tull