

TOWN OF PENDLETON/FALL CREEK TOWNSHIP  
**PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN**  
2015- 2019



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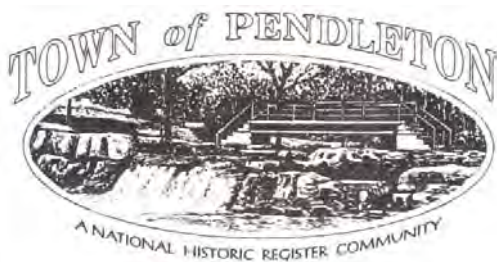
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# Parks and Recreation Master Plan

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Town of Pendleton/Fall Creek Township  
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**RESOLUTION 15-01**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE PENDLETON-FALL CREEK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF  
PARKS AND RECREATION ADOPTING 2015-2019 MASTER PLAN.**

WHEREAS, the Pendleton-Fall Creek Township Board of Parks and Recreation (hereafter the "Board") is desirous of providing a quality parks and recreation system for the residents of Fall Creek Township and the Town of Pendleton, Indiana; and

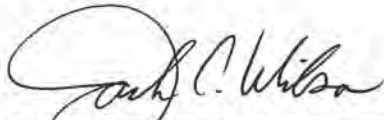
WHEREAS, in doing so, the Board recognizes the importance of sound planning; and

WHEREAS, the Board has sought opinions and input from residents of Fall Creek Township and the Town of Pendleton in developing a five-year parks and recreation master plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to make itself eligible to meet certain requirements for participation in grant programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pendleton-Fall Creek Township Board of Parks and Recreation hereby accepts and adopts the 2015 – 2019 Pendleton-Fall Creek Township Parks and Recreation Master Plan as its official five-year parks and recreation master plan in accordance with guidelines set forth by the State of Indiana on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2015.

PENDLETON-FALL CREEK TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION



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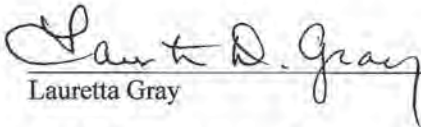
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The Pendleton-Fall Creek Township Board of Parks and Recreation (Applicant) has read the guidelines for compliance with the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 (As Amended); Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (As Amended); and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (As Amended) and will comply with the applicable requirements of these Acts.

SIGNATURE   
Jack Wilson, Board President

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Tim Patishall, Vice President

DATE: March 18, 2015

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# Chapter One- Introduction

Recreation has always had an important place in America. Today, as in the past, parks provide open space and a place to go for active play or rest; recreation programs provide enjoyment and promote the development of skills through activities.

For nearly two centuries, the falls on Fall Creek have been the focal point of the Town of Pendleton. The falls are at the heart of Falls Park, a 277 acre park that features a sports complex, trail system, historical museum, swimming pool, and much more. The park is part of the heritage of the Town of Pendleton and Fall Creek Township; the Pendleton/Fall Creek Parks and Recreation Board has been charged with preserving and expanding this heritage since 1972. Preservation of the park continues to be a success.

The Town of Pendleton and Fall Creek Township are located in central Indiana in southern Madison County. The township is bounded by Green Township on the west, Anderson Township to the north, Adams Township on the east, and Hancock County to the south. Downtown Pendleton is approximately 30 miles northeast of downtown Indianapolis and 8 miles south of downtown Anderson, the county seat of Madison County. Situated in a primarily agricultural region of east central Indiana, the Town of Pendleton is one of the fastest growing communities in Madison County due to its close proximity to Indianapolis and Interstate 69.

The 2015-2019 Pendleton/Fall Creek Parks and Recreation Plan Update is the fifth plan update since 1990. This plan was prepared by the Town of Pendleton’s Planning Department in conjunction with the Pendleton/Fall Creek Township Parks and Recreation Board and the Park Plan Steering Committee. Members of the Steering Committee were appointed by the Parks and Recreation Board and consisted of the following members:



Image 1.1: The Town of Pendleton is located in central Indiana in southern Madison County.

Name	Park Affiliation
Ron Barnhart	Falls Park Superintendent
Londa Bennett	Alvin D. Brown Memorial Pool Manager
Adam Christenson	Former Falls Park Activities Director
Rachel Christenson	Planning Department, Town of Pendleton
Norma Gasparovic	Former Park and Recreation Board Member
Doc Shirley	Member of the Community
Bryan Williams	Park Board Member
Steve Wills	Park Board Member

# INTRODUCTION

This Plan Update was submitted to the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Outdoor Recreation (IDNR, DOR). This update provides a road map for the Pendleton/Fall Creek Parks and Recreation Board that will help them continue to provide recreational opportunities for the residents of Pendleton and Fall Creek Township over the next five years.

## Overview of Past Plan

The Pendleton/Fall Creek Parks and Recreation Board and Falls Park Staff have worked diligently to accomplish the goals and objectives developed for the 2010-2014 Master Plan Update. The following is an overview of the action items from the 2010-2014 Plan, the project status, and any notes pertaining to the project status.

Action Item	Status	Notes
Mark and sign 'Van Accessible' parking spaces in all parking lots.	Partially completed	Van Accessible signage was installed in some areas of the park.
Construct an accessible route of travel through the playground.	Not completed.	This project is still a priority and will remain in the 2015-2019 Action Plan.
Repair the sidewalk by the pond; Add 'not accessible' signage or construct a ramp.	Not completed.	This project is still a priority and will remain in the 2015-2019 Action Plan.
Install a handrail at the sidewalk terminus adjacent to the south side of Fall Creek.	Not completed.	This project is still a priority and will remain in the 2015-2019 Action Plan.
Add grab bars around the stools in the accessible stall in both restrooms at the North Entrance; Add Braille signage to doors.	Partially completed.	Grab bars were installed around the stools in the accessible stalls in both restrooms, however, Braille signage was not added to the doors.
Add a handicap accessible/van accessible parking space to parking lot near the historic barn.	Not completed.	This project is no longer a priority as the historic barn is no longer open to the public.
Build new maintenance barn.	In-progress.	
Pave Sports Complex parking lot.	Completed.	
Expand sidewalk/trail system to Sports Complex.	Not completed.	This project is still a priority and will remain in the 2015-2019 Action Plan.
Update restrooms near playground to be accessible; Add Braille signage to doors.	Not completed.	This project is still a priority and will remain in the 2015-2019 Action Plan.
Develop and construct trail system through town.	In-progress.	
Add security lighting to some areas of park.	Not completed.	Areas that need lighting were never identified.
Add concrete floor to shelter at Sports Complex.	Not completed.	This project is still a priority and will remain in the 2015-2019 Action Plan.
Build a driving range	Completed.	
Build softball diamond at Sports Complex.	Not completed.	Land acquisition needs to be completed for additional fields to be constructed.
Construct dog park.	Not completed.	This project is still a priority and will remain in the 2015-2019 Action Plan.
Acquire adjacent property.	Partially complete.	
Build indoor sports facility/recreational Center.	Not completed.	This project is still a priority and will remain in the 2015-2019 Action Plan.
Pave all or some trails.	Not completed.	Specific trails for paving were never identified.
Develop a wetland learning center.	Not completed.	This project is still a priority and will remain in the 2015-2019 Action Plan.
Build a shooting range.	Not completed.	This project is no longer a priority for the Park Board.
Build a spray park.	In-progress.	

In addition to the above action items, the Board and Park Staff have worked to develop and complete additional projects that were not part of the past plan. A historic fountain near the entrance of Falls Park was restored and put back into operation. The Bicentennial Nature Trust program added 19 acres to Falls Park. Also, a 9-hole Disc Golf Course was installed adjacent to the Conservation Building.

### Definition of Planning Area

Although Falls Park and the Fall Creek Golf Club are financially supported by residents of Fall Creek Township and the Town of Pendleton, the Parks and Recreation Board considers their planning area all of southern Madison County, which includes Fall Creek Township, Green Township, and Adams Township. The planning area includes approximately 102 square miles, or 65,581 acres. Since the Town of Pendleton is the largest of the three incorporated communities in south Madison County, the town represents both a geographic and recreational center for the area, pulling users from the neighboring towns of Ingalls, Markleville, Lapel, the City of Anderson, and unincorporated areas of Madison County.

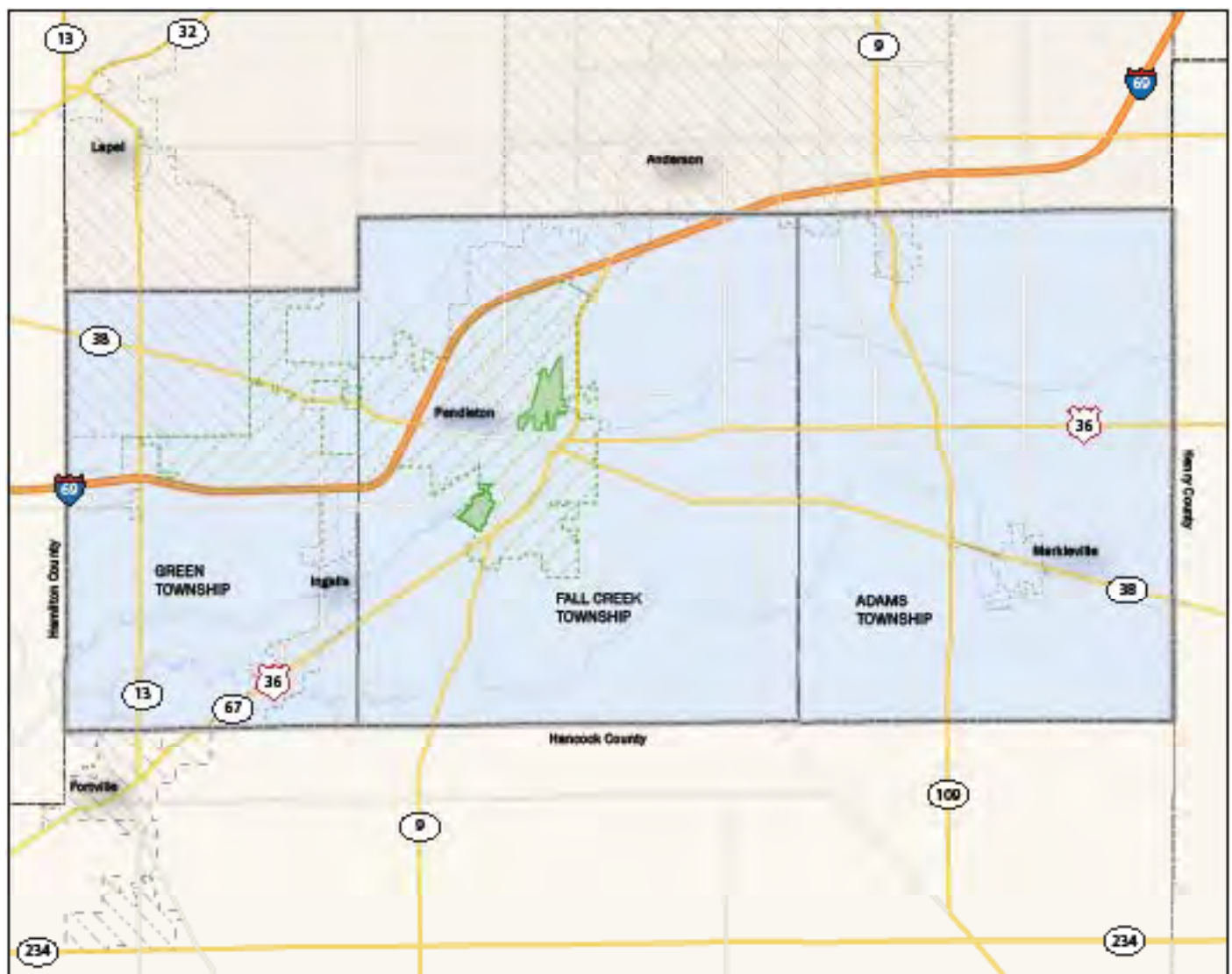


Image 1.2: The Planning Area includes all of the incorporated boundaries of the Town of Pendleton, Fall Creek Township, Green Township, and Adams Township.

## **Park Board Profile**

### ***History***

The Pendleton Board of Parks and Recreation was established on June 22, 1972. The Park Board was originally formed to improve the park system and to build a swimming pool. On February 20, 1974, park services were extended to Fall Creek Township, thus the board became known as the Pendleton/Fall Creek Parks and Recreation Board.

The Park Board consists of seven members who serve for four years. Park Board members are appointed by the following: one appointment by the South Madison School Board, one appointment by the Circuit Court, one appointment by the Pendleton Community Public Library Board, and four appointments are made by the Pendleton Town Council. The Park Board meets publicly on the third Wednesday of each month at 6 pm in the Conservation Building, located at 520 Falls Park Drive. The current Pendleton Park Board consists of the following members:

<b>Position</b>	<b>Mailing Address</b>	<b>Term Expiration</b>
Jack Wilson President Circuit Court Appointment	6031 Red Fox Road Pendleton, IN 46064	December 31, 2016
Tim Patishall Vice President Town Council Appointment	6109 Red Fox Road Pendleton, IN 46064	December 31, 2016
Steve Custer Secretary School Board Appointment	1873 West 950 South Pendleton, IN 46064	Does not expire.
Eric Reske Member Town Council Appointment	845 South Pendleton Avenue Pendleton, IN 46064	December 31, 2014
Steve Wills Member Town Council Appointment	2417 West State Road 38 Pendleton, IN 46064	December 31, 2017
Bryan Williams Member Town Council Appointment	415 North Pendleton Avenue Pendleton, IN 46064	December 31, 2015
Lauretta Gray Member Library Appointment	1158 West State Road 38 Pendleton, IN 46064	Does not expire.

### ***Park Board Goals***

The Pendleton/Fall Creek Parks and Recreation Board strives to provide facilities and services to meet the changing needs of the residents of Pendleton, Fall Creek Township, and the neighboring South Madison County communities. The Board is guided by the following goals:

Goal One: Encourage and promote utilization of park facilities by all citizens regardless of age, gender, or physical capabilities.

Goal Two: Link recreation, wildlife, and nature preservation through the overall development of park facilities.

Goal Three: Create interesting and challenging recreational activities and programs for community residents as well as sustaining and improving existing activities and programs.

Goal Four: Develop practical, usable design and implementation concepts for the entire parks and recreation system.

Goal Five: Establish a parks and recreation system that reflects through its development the unique identity of the Pendleton community.

Goal Six: Promote a sense of appreciation for the unique past of Pendleton through park development.

### **Sidewalk and Trail Network Goals**

The Pendleton/Fall Creek Township Parks and Recreation Board established the following goals and objectives in 2010 to guide the development of the trails network in Pendleton and Fall Creek Township:

*Connectivity: Develop a network that provides alternative transportation opportunities and connects the town's amenities, including parks, schools, neighborhoods, and businesses, while linking with established county and state trails where possible.*

1. Require any new construction projects to provide connections to the existing network.
2. Incorporate bicycle and pedestrian friendly design considerations into road reconstruction or new construction.
3. Provide connections between off-road trails and on-street bikeways and sidewalks.

*Environment: Develop a network that enhances the environment by conserving floodplain lands, preserving local character, protecting wildlife habitat, and improving air and water quality.*

1. Identify areas along the network that need environmental protection.
2. Promote the use of recycled materials in network construction and network amenities.
3. Install interpretive signage in areas of special ecological or cultural interest.
4. Provide trash and recycling receptacles along network.
5. Use native vegetation and promote tree planting along network corridors.
6. Protect and restore creek-banks and floodplain areas along the network.

*Health: Create a network that encourages healthy choices and lifestyles.*

1. Link schools, parks, and other recreational areas through trails and sidewalks.
2. Provide paved and unpaved surfaces to appeal to a variety of users.
3. Promote the use of the network as an amenity for businesses and schools.
4. Provide amenities such as picnic areas, mile markers, water fountains, and restrooms.
5. Provide trail types for a number of users including, but not limited to, walkers, joggers, hikers, and bicyclists.

*Accessibility: Provide a network that is accessible to users of all ages and abilities.*

1. Address accessibility concerns on existing trails and sidewalks.
2. Develop uniform signage to orient and educate users.
3. Ensure the network is well marked and trailheads clearly identified.

*Safety: Provide a network that is state-of-the-art and well-maintained, and improve these facilities on a regular basis to keep up with new technologies and resident needs.*

1. Develop signage, markings, and other devices that regulate, warn, or guide users and motorists.
2. Have signs and signals at all street crossings.

3. Include lighting and emergency call boxes in areas of the network that are open at night.
4. Identify opportunities to partner with organizations to help maintain the system, possibly an adopt-a-trail program.

*Implementation: Create a plan that clearly identifies projects for implementation and identifies funding sources.*

1. Establish a timeline of priority projects.
2. Identify funding opportunities for specific projects.
3. Establish a workgroup committee to coordinate network maintenance and future planning.

### **Budget**

Fall Creek Township has had a dedicated tax rate for parks and recreation since 1974. Other sources of revenue include building rentals and gazebo rentals, but often times the department breaks even on these rentals. The Alvin D. Brown Memorial Swimming Pool typically loses money for the Park's Department each year.

The following table shows the past four years of budget for Falls Park.

Year	Budget
2011	\$443,930.00
2012	\$488,600.00
2013	\$500,457.00
2014	\$717,422.00

### **Overview of Park's Management**

Day-to-day management and operations are administered by the full-time park's superintendent. The Park's Department also employs a part-time administrative assistant and 11 seasonal grounds-keeping employees.

The Alvin D. Brown Memorial Swimming Pool is open for operation from Memorial Day weekend until the beginning of August. Day-to-day management and operations are handled by the Pool Manager and Assistant Manager. The Pool typically employees 15 lifeguards, 3 concession stand workers, and 1 employee to work the front desk.

The Fall Creek Golf course is open year-round and has a full-time golf course manager and 7 seasonal golf-course employees.

### **Volunteers**

The strongest volunteer forces in Falls Park are the Pendleton Garden Club and the Pendleton Lions Club. The park also has a good working relationship with Pendleton Heights High School; each year, a community service day is held by the senior class, and they pick up trash, mulch, paint, and clean up the park. Several local citizens help by picking up trash in the park throughout the year.

### **Lease Agreements**

The Pendleton/Fall Creek Township Parks and Recreation Board has the following lease agreements with the following entities:

1. Verizon Communications (property lease at the Sports Complex).
2. Pendleton Junior Baseball (athletic fields at the Sports Complex).
3. Pendleton Junior Football (athletic fields at the Sports Complex).
4. Dr. Begley (property lease for additional parking at the Sports Complex).
5. The Pendleton Historic Museum Board (the Museum Board rents the history museum building from the Park Board for \$1 per year).



## Chapter Two- Supply Analysis

From its historic beginning in 1818, the Town of Pendleton has supported a unique quality of life and spirit of community; a celebration of the close linkage between Pendleton's residents and the area's natural treasures. It was the beauty of the falls that attracted Pendleton's early residents from 1818-1820. Then, throughout the 1820's, enterprising locals built mills which attracted a great deal of business to Pendleton. In this manner a pattern of development in Pendleton, with the falls as the town's focal point, was established.

Unfortunately, Pendleton residents, mirroring a common theme of the industrial revolution, neglected the land that is now Falls Park and turned it into a dumping ground towards the end of the 1800's. Gradually, the economic focus of the town shifted from the falls to the principal line of the Interurban Train System, the embankments of which are still visible today.

Falls Park itself was finally created in 1918 when B.F. Phipps, a well-known hardware merchant, presented a park project to the town board. He proposed the town acquire the old falls and old stone quarry for renovation into a public park. The board approved it and instituted a tax levy for its support. The Falls Cannery donated part of the grounds and the town board purchased the remainder of the grounds. The old stone quarry was filled with water, creating a fishing pond, and just below the falls, a swimming pool was constructed. The year of 1921 marked the beginning of the park's heyday. Immediately following construction of the original pool below the falls, out-of-town visitors came pouring in and numbered in the thousands. The pool became a huge money-maker for the park. The dam below the falls and the bath house building where the Pendleton Historical Museum now resides are both remnants of the pool.

Falls Park is also the site of several events of national historical significance. The first documented case in which white Americans were convicted, sentenced to capital punishment, and executed for the murder of Native Americans took place near the falls in 1825. The murder of the Native Americans, which took place in the neighboring Town of Markleville, later became known as the Fall Creek Massacre. The case set an important precedent for Native American civil rights, and an engraved stone commemorating this event can be found on the north side of Fall Creek near the falls.

Another famous event which took place in Falls Park was the beating of Frederick Douglass by a mob in 1843. He was giving an outdoor lecture as one of the one hundred New England Anti-Slavery Society Lectures when an armed mob overtook the crowd. The mob, wielding clubs and throwing eggs, chased Frederick Douglass to the south



Image 2.1: The original falls at Fall Creek. Photo source: Aloise Jarrett



Image 2.2: Just east of the falls, a couple canoes on Fall Creek. Photo source: Aloise Jarrett.



Image 2.3: Members of the Park Board stand next to the original ticket office for Falls Park. Photo source: Aloise Jarrett.

side of Fall Creek and beat him. He was then aided by local Quakers, who took him from the scene and tended to his injuries. This event is commemorated in a 1966 engraving that is displayed near the Historical Museum.

In recognition of the importance of Falls Park to Pendleton and regional history, as well as these nationally important historical events, Falls Park was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1991. This is indicative of the general feeling regarding Falls Park’s history: locals want to preserve, promote, and celebrate it. Actions such as seeking recognition on the National Register, commissioning memorials, and holding festivals are all things that respond to public desires and enrich community experience of the park.

The following timeline provides a general history of Falls Park:

1918 B.F. Phipps, the “Father of Falls Park” introduces the idea of a park project to the Town Board.  
The Town Board votes a tax levy for the purpose of creating a park fund.



Image 2.4: The pool at Falls Park was acknowledged as one of the best in the state. Photo source: Aloise Jarrett.

1919 The Falls Cannery donates part of the grounds near the falls to the town. The town purchases the remainder of the original grounds for \$5,500. The original bath houses are constructed for \$2,500.

1920 The original pool, which was a small space just below the falls, is opened.

1921 Regional awareness of the Falls Park pool grows; clientele expands beyond Pendleton residents.  
The Town Board uses a private loan of \$3,500 from Mr. Kinnard to construct “a real pool.”

1922 The Town Board pays back Mr. Kinnard using just five weeks of proceeds from the new pool.  
The town purchases the land north of the pool between the Big Four Railroad and the Interurban Railroad.  
Construction of the new well house and park entrance completed.



Image 2.5: Average visitor counts on Sundays ranged from 1,500 to 2,000 people. Photo source: Aloise Jarrett.

1923 The July 1 visitor count to the pool, excluding Pendleton residents, is 1,461. The average visitor counts on Sundays ranged from 1,500-2,000. The pool is acknowledged as the best, or one of the best, in the state. Improvements include the widening of the dam, extension by 30-40 feet of the pool (northwards), and the addition of swings, chutes, and spring boards. The park currently encompasses 5-6 acres; proceeds from the pool are used for beautification.  
A description of the park is published in The Pendleton Times on September 6, 1923:

“The city park, with its well kept grounds, its flowers, its winding roads, its children’s playgrounds, its tourist camp, its fishing and boating lake, and its bathing pool with its natural waterfall as a background, provides the real beauty spot of Pendleton. It is this one spot above all others which calls forth the admiration of all who see it, and it is this that draws visitors from over the State, to Pendleton from week to week.

“In the center of the Park stands a flag staff from which Old Glory floats.”

“On the east side of the grounds is the finest tourist camp in the State. At

this camp is found a kitchen where the tourist finds natural gas for fuel, good drinking water from a deep well, tables and all the conveniences needed at a place of this kind. The camp is one square from the business section of town. A creamery a half a square away where the weary traveler may get fresh milk, cream, and butter. Tourists who have visited the Pendleton Camp, proclaim it as the finest and most convenient they have found anywhere.”



Image 2.6: A rock garden was built on the old railroad grade in 1931 and still exists today. Photo source: Aloise Jarrett.

1927 A new acquisition of land by the park includes the following stipulation:

“The grantee herein expressly agrees, as part consideration for the above real estate, that said real estate, herein conveyed, shall be used by the Town of Pendleton for park purposes and never used for any other purposes, that said real estate or any part thereof, shall never be leased or used for a dance hall, that a dance hall shall never be allowed on real estate herein conveyed.”

1928 The lighthouse is built in the center of Falls Park Lake/lagoon/duck pond.

1931 Old bridge piers located upstream of the pool are removed. The bath house is remodeled and a rock garden is built on the old railroad grade opposite the pool.



Image 2.7: Just east of the present-day Community Building was home to the Tom Thumb Miniature Golf Course. Photo source: Aloise Jarrett.

1932 The lighthouse begins to lean.

1934 A drinking fountain is installed near the rock garden and a lily pool started in the lake. The bath house is “replaced with a new and modern structure;” the original bath house is converted to a concession stand. A wading pool for children is constructed near the bath house. An old “oaken bucket” well is built. A miniature golf course is opened at the park.



Image 2.8: Property to construct the original baseball fields was acquired in 1936. Photo source: Aloise Jarrett.

1936 Property acquired to build baseball fields.

1939 The Falls Park Conservation Club is organized.

1940 The large shelter house is constructed.

1946 The Falls Park Conservation Club, now with 240 members, builds its clubhouse as a public venture, saving costs while providing other clubs and the community with a new civic building on 14 acres of landscaped ground.

1947 Sigma Phi Gamma Sorority presents the park with a set of baby swings and a slide.

1954 A 20-foot slide is purchased and installed at the park. The concession stand is remodeled. The Pendleton Junior Baseball Association is formed.

1957 An additional baseball field is build just east of the original ball fields.

1969 The swimming pool beneath the falls is closed due to upstream pollution. The Pendleton Park Re-Development Corporation is formed to restore Falls Park to its “original beauty.”



Image 2.9: In 1972, an abandoned filling station was acquired, removed and transformed into a beautiful garden. Photo source: Aloise Jarrett.



Image 2.10: After the pool at the falls was closed in 1969, the Town built the Alvin Brown Memorial Pool in 1979.



Image 2.11: The Sports Complex opened in 2003 and features baseball, softball, and football fields.

- 1972 The Town Board creates the Pendleton Parks and Recreation to manage and improve the now-neglected park. Plans include building: an amphitheater above the falls; an Olympic-sized swimming pool; a footbridge over Fall Creek; natural trails; shuffleboard courts; tennis courts; basketball courts; a restroom; and parking facilities. Plans also included removing an abandoned filling station and several buildings near the falls.
- 1974 Park services are extended to Fall Creek Township. The board becomes known as the Pendleton/Fall Creek Parks and Recreation Board.
- 1979 The Alvin Brown Memorial Pool is opened and named after a founder of the Conservation Club.
- 1981 The old bath house is renovated and becomes home to the Pendleton Historical Museum.
- 1990 The park purchases 44 acres of land including the barn and pond at what would become the north entrance to Falls Park.
- 1994 The park adds additional park acreage including wetlands to the north of the park.
- 1995 The north entrance of Falls Park is built and the barn is rehabilitated. Restrooms were built in the next 2-3 years.
- 1999 Gazebo is built in honor of Charlene Daugherty and the Pendleton Garden Club with match grants from the South Madison Community Foundation and from the Lilly Foundation.
- 2003 The lighthouse is removed, a new foundation is placed, and the lighthouse is rebuilt and restored complete with a new flashing light meant to simulate rotation.  
The Sports Complex opens to the public.
- 2009 In partnership with the Pendleton Community Library, a community garden was constructed in the park near the entrance of Brown Pool.  
A 'Born Learning Trail' was added to the park just north of Brown Pool.
- 2011 Approximately 23 acres were purchased on the corner of Water Street and East Street.
- 2012 1920's fountain near entrance of Falls Park on Pendleton Avenue was restored and put back into operation.
- 2013 A State Historical Marker was installed in Falls Park to acknowledge the mobbing  
of the abolitionists George Bradburn, William A. White, and Frederick Douglass.
- 2014 Fall Creek Golf Course was purchased from the Town of Pendleton.  
The Sports Complex parking lot was paved.  
Construction started on a new maintenance and office facility in the fall.  
Bicentennial Nature Trust program added 19 acres to Falls Park.

A 9-hole Disc Golf Course was installed near the Conservation Building.

**Park Inventory and Assessment**

Although Falls Park is one contiguous park, for planning purposes, the park has been broken down into six distinct areas: the Falls, the Sports Complex, the North Entrance and Trails, the Alvin D. Brown Memorial Pool, the Conservation Building, and the Fall Creek Golf Course.

An on-site evaluations took place during August of 2014. A number of elements were inventoried and evaluated, including off-site directional signage, park entry signage, the overall site character, on-site wayfinding signage, landscaping, furnishings, and recreational amenities. Maintenance was also considered during the evaluation. Photographs were taken at each site, including general park views and detail photos of park amenities.

The following pages include a description of each site, activities, and programs offered.



Image 2.12: Falls Park and Recreation System has grown through the years to include 277 acres.



Image 2.13: The historic falls in Falls Park.

## The Falls

229 Falls Park Drive, Pendleton, Indiana 46064  
53 Acres

### Park Description

The Falls is one of the oldest areas of Falls Park. This multi-use park site is one of the busiest areas in all of Falls Park because of the variety of natural and historic resources it offers, as well as the variety of recreational activities and facilities available. Fall Creek winds through this portion of the park, and the falls become a focal point. Resting just south of the falls is the old bathhouse, which has been renovated and has housed The Pendleton Historical Museum since 1981.

The area around the Falls offers access to approximately four miles of primitive trails in a wooded setting that provide wonderful opportunities to experience the natural environment. The large shelters and picnic areas are popular for family reunions and birthday parties. The picturesque gazebo, constructed by community volunteers, is used for concerts and weddings throughout the warmer months.

The area around the falls is more than passive recreation, however. This area of the



Image 2.14: This section of the park offers a variety of recreational activities and facilities. It is one of the most popular areas in Falls Park.

park is also home to a large playground, a basketball court, and horseshoe pits. The old quarry, now used as a pond, is home to ducks, geese, and swans, and is a popular fishing site.

The Community Building is located in this portion of the park, which currently houses the Park Office. The maintenance barn is directly east of the Community Building, right on the banks of Fall Creek. The Parks Department is currently in the process of constructing a new park office and maintenance barn, which is located directly across the street of the current maintenance barn. This new facility is sited in the center of Falls Park, and provides staff easy access to all areas of Falls Park.

**Current Programs**

The Parks Department provides facilities for local organizations to host events. A variety of programs are held in this area of the park each year. Annual events include:



Image 2.15: The old stone quarry, now a pond, and the old lighthouse.

Month	Event	Host
March/ April	Easter Egg Hunt	Catalyst Church/Pendleton Christian Church/Pendleton United Methodist Church/ YMCA
May	Gazebo Prom	Pendleton Heights High School
May - Oct	Pendleton Farmer’s Market	Pendleton Farmer’s Market Board
June	June Jamboree	Lion’s Club
June	Madison County Law Enforcement Torch Run	Correctional Industrial Facility for Special Olympics Indiana
June	Pet Parade	Lion’s Club
June - Aug	Concerts in the Park	Lion’s Club/Pendleton Community Library
July	Fourth at the Falls	Main Street Pendleton
July	Annual Kiwanis Kar Show in Memory of Neal Shull	Kiwanis Club
July	Pound the Pavement	Kevin Carey Foundation
August	Fishing Derby	Lion’s Club
September	Heritage Fair	Century & A Half Club
September	Answers for Adalyn Benefit Ride	Answers for Adalyn



Image 2.16: Much of the playground equipment in this part of Falls Park was donated by the MOMS Club of Pendleton.



Image 2.17: The old bath house has been restored and the Pendleton Historical Museum has been housed there since 1981.



## Sports Complex

615 Falls Park Drive, Pendleton, IN 46064  
70 Acres

### Park Description

The Sports Complex opened to the public in 2003 and features baseball fields, softball fields, batting cages, and a centralized multi-purpose building which houses a concession stand, storage space, and restrooms. To the north of the ball diamonds, the Sports Complex offers additional restrooms and a shelter house, a concession stand, and little league football fields.

Image 2.18: During the season, fields are meticulously cared for by Pendleton Junior Baseball/Softball.

### Current Programs

From April to August, Pendleton Junior Baseball/Softball leases the baseball and softball fields at the Sports Complex. The league has had a long standing relationship to Falls Park, dating back to the early 1950s. The league helps maintain the fields during their lease period and brings thousands of people to the park each year.

From August to November, the Falls Park Adult Softball League uses the baseball and softball fields at the Sports Complex. A men's league and coed league is available for adults 18 and over to play softball.



Image 2.19: The Sports Complex is a state-of-the-art facility that opened in 2003.



From August to October, the Pendleton Junior Football Association leases the north end of the Sports complex for their youth football program.

Below is a list of regular events and athletic seasons that take place at the Sports Complex:

Month	Event	Host
April	Adult Coed Softball Spring Swing	Falls Park Adult Softball Leagues
April	Pendleton Jr. Baseball/Softball Parade and Opening Day Ceremony	Pendleton Jr. Baseball/Softball
April - Aug	Youth Baseball/Softball Season	Pendleton Jr. Baseball/Softball
Aug - Nov	Adult Softball	Falls Park Adult Softball Leagues
Aug - Oct	Youth Football Season	Pendleton Jr. Football



Image 2.20: The old barn at the North Entrance has been fully restored.

## North Entrance and Trails

North Pendleton Avenue, Pendleton, IN 46064  
43 Acres

### Park Description

The North Entrance of the park opened in 1995 and is one of the most passive areas of the park, offering walking trails, a small fishing pond, shelter house, and historic barn. This area of the park is somewhat secluded as it is in a rural area of town and settled within a stand of old growth trees.

The trails in this portion of the park were developed through Transportation Enhancement (TE) funding that was awarded by the Indiana Department of Transportation. The project included the construction of approximately four miles of pedestrian/bicycle trails and sidewalks, two parking lots/trailheads, the renovation of an old bridge, and signage.

### Current Programs

The local Boy Scout program has a camp out at the North Entrance once or twice a year.



Image 2.21: The North Entrance is one of the most quiet and serene areas in Falls Park. The trails are well-used by residents and visitors alike.

**Alvin D. Brown Memorial Pool**  
 529 East Water Street, Pendleton, IN 46064  
 5 Acres

**Park Description**

The Alvin D. Brown Memorial Pool is one of the oldest facilities managed by the Park Board. The site boasts an Olympic-sized swimming pool, a water slide, and kiddie pool. Concessions and picnic areas are available to patrons; just north of the pool is a small playground, basketball court, and sand volleyball courts. Just south of the pool is a community garden managed by the Pendleton Community Library. The pool typically opens in May on Memorial Day weekend and closes in August.



Image 2.22: Brown Pool was named after the founder of the Falls Park Conservation Club.

**Current Programs**

The pool offers several types of water aerobics with morning and evening hours, adult swim hours in the morning and afternoon, and morning and evening swimming lessons for children 4 and older. The pool may be rented on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday evenings during the pool season. Often, local organizations rent the pool and offer it to the community as a free community swim. The Pendleton Swim Club also rents the pool for their club practices during the summer.



Image 2.23: Brown Memorial Pool opened in 1979, ten years after the natural pool beneath the falls at Falls Creek was closed.



## Conservation Building

520 Falls Park Drive, Pendleton, IN 46064  
13 Acres

### Park Description

The Conservation Building was constructed in 1942 and donated to Falls Park by the Falls Park Conservation Club. The site is home to the monthly Park Board meetings and is available to the general public to rent. The Conservation Building property is also home to a 9-hole Disc Golf Course that was installed as an Eagle Scout project from Boy Scout Troop 232. The course was opened in June 2014.

### Current Programs

There are no regular programs scheduled at this site.

Image 2.24: The Conservation Building was built as a public venture by the Falls Park Conservation Club.



Image 2.25: A large portion of the Conservation Building site includes natural wetlands that surround Falls Creek.

## Fall Creek Golf Club

250 Falls Park Drive, Pendleton, IN 46064

93 Acres

### Park Description

The former Idlewold Golf Club and Country Club originally opened in 1914 and was purchased by the Town of Pendleton in 2008. The course reopened as the Fall Creek Golf Club and featured 18 holes of golf, weekend tournaments, junior leagues, and clinics for kids. In 2013, the Town added a driving range to the course, and in 2014, the Pendleton/Fall Creek Township Parks and Recreation Board purchased the Fall Creek Golf Course.

### Current Programs

Lessons, clinics, and camps are available with a PGA professional. The Fall Creek Golf Club also has an active Men's Club and Men's League.



Image 2.26: In 2014, the Fall Creek Golf Course was purchased by the Park Board from the Town of Pendleton.

## Summary Chart

The following chart summarizes the recreational facilities offered at Falls Park:

	The Falls	Sports Complex	Conservation Building	North Entrance	Brown Pool	Fall Creek Golf Course
<b>Acres</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>93</b>
Building Rentals	x		x	x		x
Barbeque Facilities	x			x	x	
Baseball/Softball Fields		x				
Basketball Court	x				x	
Camping (groups only, primitive)				x		
Community Garden					x	
Disc Golf Course			x			
Driving Range						x
Fishing	x			x		
Food Concessions (seasonal)		x			x	x
Football Fields		x				
Gazebo	x					
Golf Course						x
Horseshoe Pits	x					
Museum	x					
Open Play Fields	x	x				
Picnic Shelters	x	x		x	x	
Picnic Tables	x	x		x	x	x
Playground Facilities	x	x			x	
Recreation Equipment Rentals	x					
Restrooms	x	x	x	x	x	x
Swimming					x	
Trails	x			x		
Veterans Memorials	x					
Volleyball Courts	x				x	

## Other Recreational Opportunities

Private recreational opportunities in Pendleton and Fall Creek Township area include My Time Fitness, Studio Fit, the Pendleton YMCA, the Pine Lakes Fishing and Camping Resort, and the White River Paintball Field and Pro-Shop.

The Town of Pendleton is located near Mounds State Park in Anderson. Only 12 miles to the northeast, Mounds State Park offers hiking trails, camping, fishing on the White River, swimming, picnicking, and shelters.

To the north, the City of Anderson offers numerous public and private recreational opportunities. Most notably, Shadyside Memorial Park and Recreation Area offers shelter houses, a fishing lake with a boat launch, a fitness trail, a playground, and sand volleyball courts. The city also manages a public golf facility, the Grandview Golf Course. Private recreational activities in Anderson include the Anderson YMCA with aquatic facilities, the Meadowbrook Golf Course, Kilbuck Golf Course, the Anderson Country Club, and the Eastside Dolphin Club, which also offers aquatic facilities.

The neighboring communities of Ingalls and Markleville each have their own town parks. Both of these communities are fairly rural and their town parks only address the immediate needs of the community.

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Pendleton/Fall Creek Township Parks & Recreation Master Plan 2015-2019

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# Chapter Three- Features of Planning Area

The development of park and recreation sites can be influenced by natural, historical, man-made, and cultural features in a town or planning area. The development of Falls Park, without a question, has been influenced at one time or another by all of these features.

### Wetland and Water Features

Fall Creek, the town’s defining feature, winds its way through Pendleton for approximately three miles, entering the on the east at an elevation of 860 feet and descending to an elevation of 822 feet at the Town’s southern corporate boundary. The major decent in elevation allows for swift movement of water which is most pronounced at the falls and the dam within the park. The changing contour of the floodway and floodplain gives the park its most outstanding natural amenity and namesake: the falls.

Falls Park has five other notable water features: Prairie Creek, Foster Branch, wetlands,

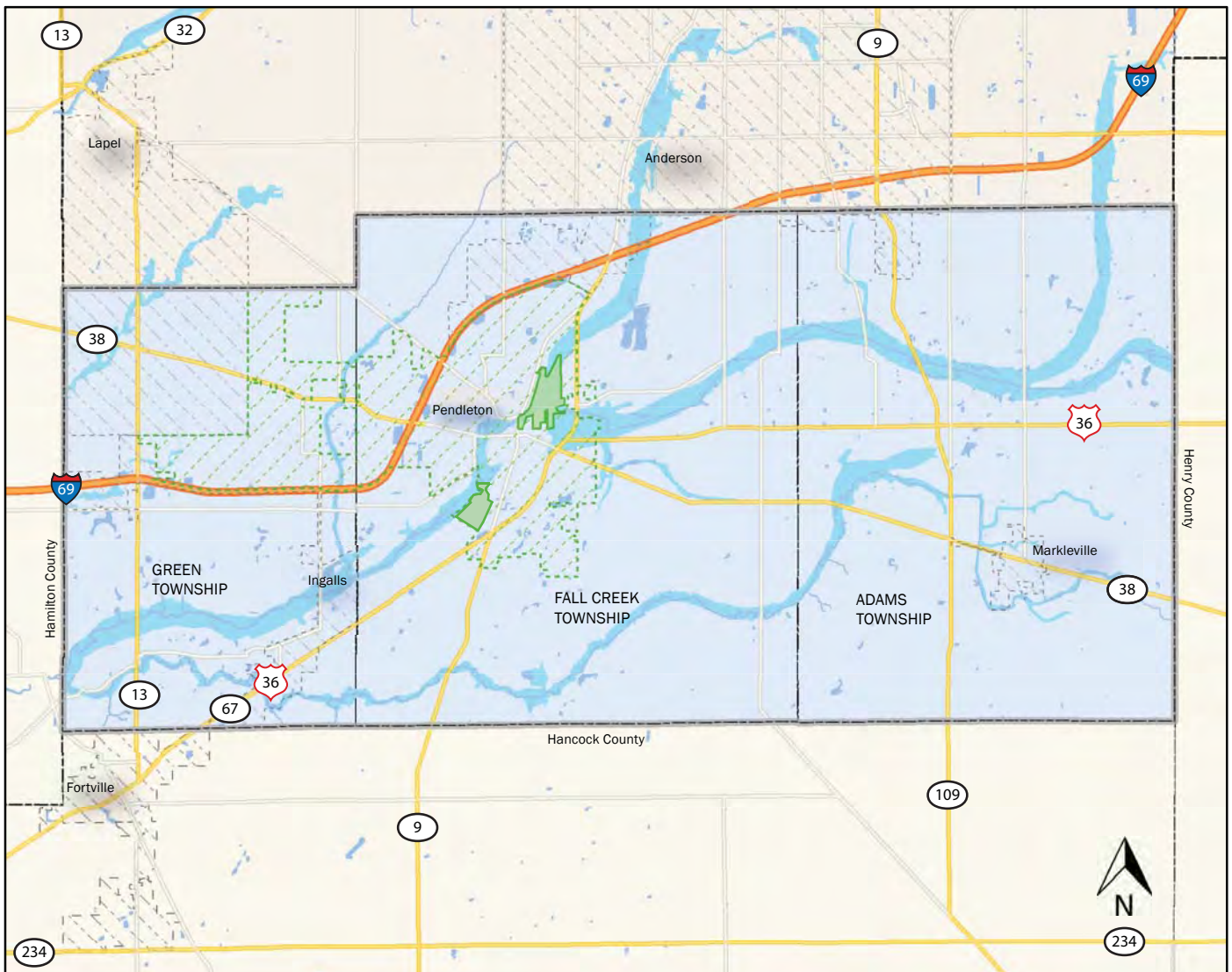


Image 3.1: The Planning Area is not short on water features, with Fall Creek, Prairie Creek, Foster Branch, and Lick Creek cutting through southern Madison County.

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and two small ponds. Prairie Creek is a tributary to Fall Creek that flows from the north. The creek is mostly within an area of the park that is used as wetlands, which occupy a significant percentage of the park's acreage. Prairie Creek and the park's extensive wetlands provide significant ecological benefits and provide important indirect benefits to park users, such as encouraging the habitation of birds and wildlife in the park and controlling flooding. These benefits also accrue from wetlands outside of the park's current boundaries extending northwards along Prairie Creek; the park is located in an excellent position to secure and protect these wetlands by purchasing land northwards along Prairie Creek. Foster's Branch is a legal drain on the west side of the town, and the town is exploring how to develop a stormwater cleansing system along this corridor with an integrated trails system. A small pond at the north entrance to Falls Park serves as a natural feature and provides a bird and nature watching amenity for visitors. Finally, a flooded quarry near the falls serves as the focal point of the park and is widely used for fishing and is an important aesthetic element.

With all this water, it is not surprising that approximately 70 percent of park acreage lie within the flood plain. As a result, building opportunities within the park are limited, but the soils in the park are prime for vegetation and wildlife. The floodplain of Fall Creek ranges from 90 feet to over 1,620 feet in width within the Town of Pendleton,

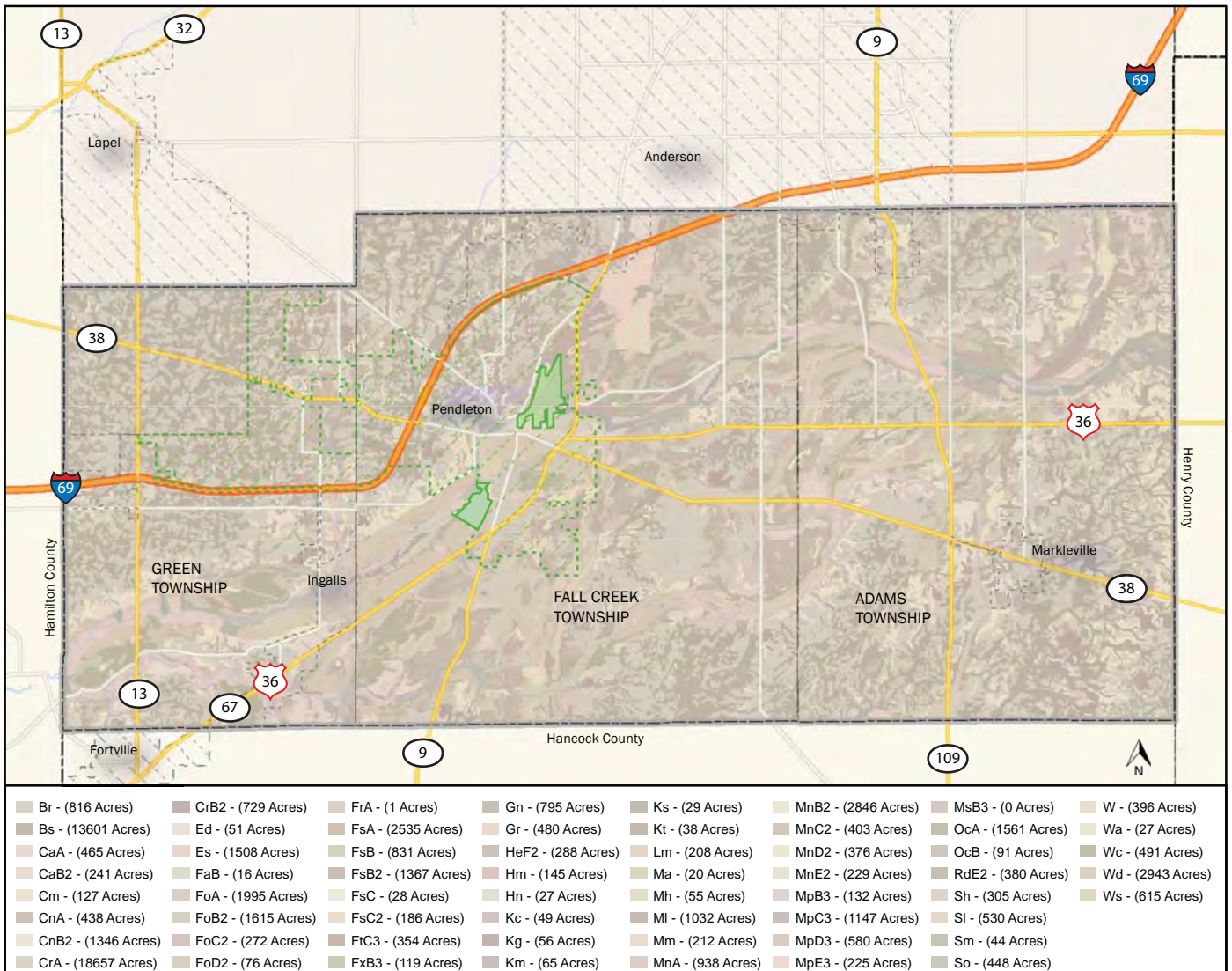


Image 3.2: Crosby soils dominate the planning area, with 19,386 acres, or 30 percent of the total soils in south Madison County.

which is a participating community in the FEMA National Flood Program. The Park and the Town share the Fall Creek watershed, or in other words, much of Pendleton and the surrounding area actually drain through Falls Park into Fall Creek. As a result, any water quality improvement efforts made within the park are likely to have an especially great effect.

## Soils

The Town of Pendleton’s soil composition is a result of its geology and hydrology. Near Fall Creek and Prairie Creek, the area is dominated by Mahalasville silty clay loam, a rich soil that is unsuitable for building. Madison County is the type location for the Mahalasville soils, which are region-specific. South of Fall Creek and in an area east of Prairie Creek that extends past Pendleton’s borders, the primary soil type is Fox silt loam, which is characterized by being suitable for virtually any use. To the immediate north and west of the creeks, there is a strip of Fox and Miami silt loams. Miami soils are wetter than Fox soils, but still accommodate development to a fair extent. To the north and west of the creeks, the remainder of the Town of Pendleton is characterized by Brookston silty clay loam, which is less than ideal for nearly any use.

Falls Park lies mostly to the north of Fall Creek and to the east of Prairie Creek in the

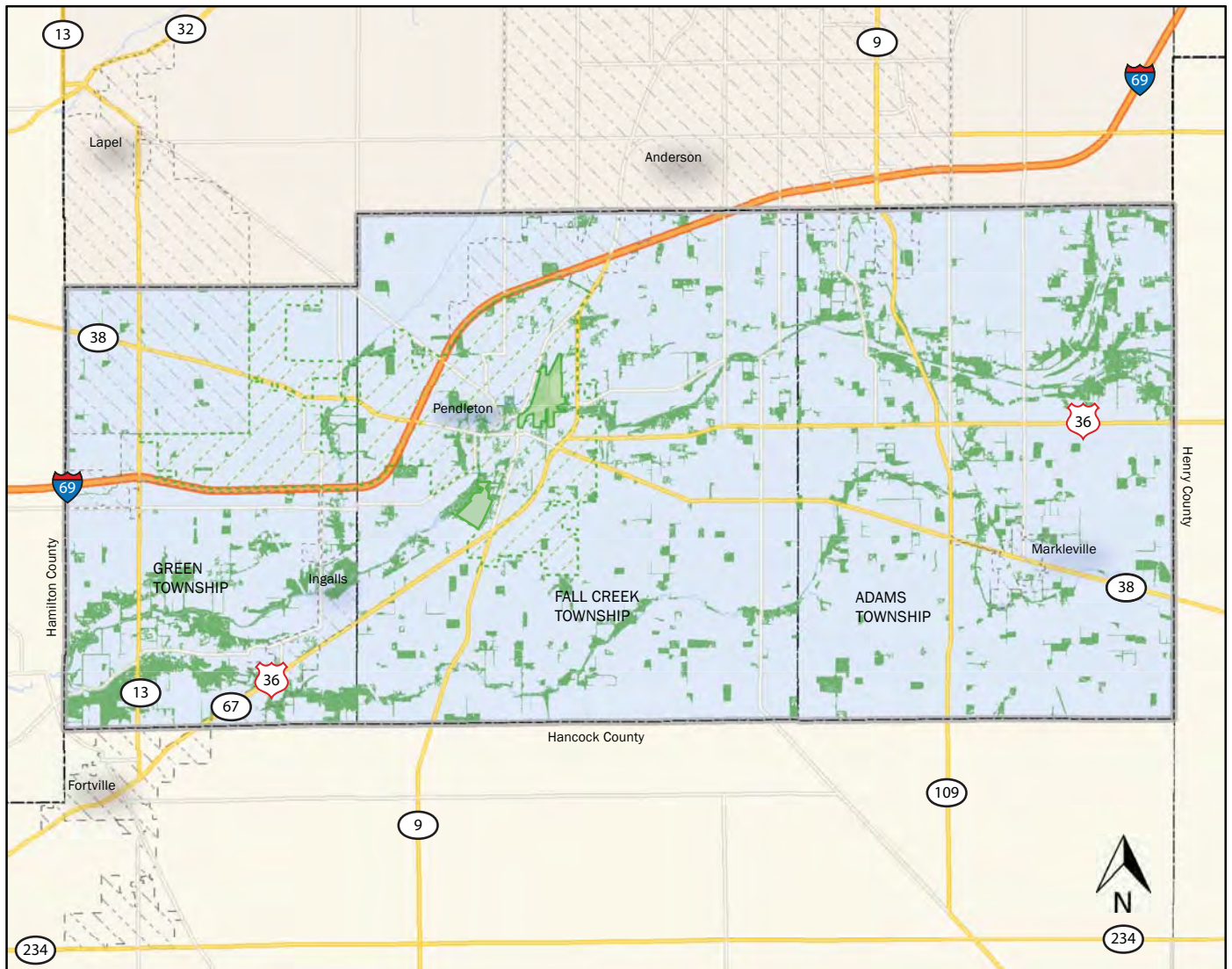


Image 3.3: The remaining woodlands in the planning area are mainly found along the creeks, streams, and legal drains of south Madison County.

area dominated by Mahalasville silty clay loam. The park has approximately 20 acres of Miami silt loams and Fox silt loam which are both suitable for development. Unfortunately, some of these soils are within the flood plain, and many others are on steep topography. Areas near the north entrance will be one of the few places suitable for development if the need should arise. The remainder of the park's soils include Homer and Eel silt loams. These soils, though considered prime farmland when drained, are not ideal for building, although they would be better than the Mahalasville soils that dominate the park.

### **Topography and Geological Features**

Pendleton, like most of central Indiana, is located in the Tipton Till Plain. This area is characterized by flat to gently rolling plains with elevations ranging from 820 feet to 880 feet above sea level. These plains were formed by glacial blankets, creating a layer of glacially deposited sand and gravel which smooths over variations in the underlying bedrock. As a result, much of the topography is monotonous with little variation except where the land has eroded as a result of water. For this reason, vegetative cover is of the utmost importance in creating an attractive landscape. Where there is topographic variation, it should be especially prized because it is a rare commodity in central Indiana. The major noticeable topographic feature is a raised railroad track that splits the park in half like a spine. Unfortunately, this rail is still in use by the CSX Corporation, but the track itself provides potentially attractive underpasses and spatial definition.

Numerous minerals are in abundant supply such as limestone, gravel, sand, and clay. Limestone is present near the surface in some areas, especially to the north of Prairie Creek and to the south of Fall Creek. Many locations in and around Pendleton are sufficient for commercial extraction; as these areas become depleted of their commercial value, this may be an opportunity for park and recreation development.

### **Woodlands and Wildlife Habitat**

At one time, most of Madison County was covered by hardwood forests. Trees that were of high quality were used for lumber and veneer. Because the soils were extremely suitable for agricultural production, most forests were cleared for agricultural purposes. The remaining woodlands in Madison County are typically in poor condition since the high quality trees were cleared and those left are poorly formed and of low quality. Wooded areas provide food, cover, and water needed for wildlife, and help to slow and filter storm water run-off into waterways.

### **Climate**

Fall Creek Township and Pendleton have a humid continental climate with hot, humid summers and cool to cold winters. Average monthly temperatures recorded over a 40 year period show January as the coldest month, averaging 18.8 degrees Fahrenheit, and July as the warmest month, averaging 84.3 degrees Fahrenheit, compared to the national averages of 20.8 and 86.5, respectively. Basically, Pendleton is slightly cooler, year-round, than the national average.

Pendleton's annual precipitation is 39.8 inches, 3.2 inches above the national average of 36.6 inches. Pendleton receives the least precipitation in January, with 2.09 inches, and receives the most in July with 4.28 inches. The rest of the year basically follows this pattern: each month after January gets a little more rain until July, and then the amount of rainfall decreases until a spike in November that quickly decreases to the January low.

Pendleton receives 13.1 inches of snow per year. This is well below the national average of 25.2 inches of snow per year.

### **Historic Features**

Southern Madison County, including Fall Creek Township and the Town of Pendleton, was the first part of the county to be settled. Originally settled in 1818, the Town of Pendleton was named after Thomas M. Pendleton, an early property owner who helped develop the settlement into a town. Madison County was soon established in 1823. Pendleton became the first county seat but was later moved to Anderson in 1826.

Early businesses flourished in Pendleton. The unique regional resource, the falls on Fall Creek, drew many businesses, especially those involved with millwork.

The completion of the Indianapolis and Bellefontaine Railroad, later the Big Four Railroad, in 1850 helped bring new growth to Pendleton and the town became officially incorporated in 1853. The rail line extended northeast from Indianapolis through the Madison County communities of Ingalls, Pendleton, Anderson, and Chesterfield. The line eventually gave Indiana its first connection to the eastern seaboard.

Like other towns in Madison County, Pendleton prospered from the discovery of natural gas. In 1887, the first natural gas well in Madison County was struck in Alexandria, officially kicking off the gas boom. Because of the economic boom, several manufacturing businesses located within Pendleton, but as the gas supply was depleted, many of them were closed or forced to relocate.

Pendleton continued to thrive after the gas boom died in the early 1900s. Businesses prospered in the small but busy downtown. In 1918, Falls Park was proposed and constructed; it became a regional center of recreation and a famous tourist attraction across the nation.

Today, much of the downtown area, including Falls Park, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The downtown is still fairly busy and prosperous. The community is now faced with continuous urban and business growth approaching the community from Indianapolis along the Interstate 69 corridor.

### **Man-Made Features**

#### ***Transportation and Circulation***

Roads are the primary means of transportation in Pendleton. As the original county seat, the town established an important transportation network of roads and highways, including State Road 38, State Road 9, State Road 67, United States 36, and Interstate 69. These routes help connect the town to Indianapolis, Anderson, Noblesville, New Castle, and Greenfield.

A majority of Pendleton residents live within walking distance of Falls Park, so the sidewalk infrastructure surrounding the park is exceptionally important. The sidewalk system in the historic downtown area and historic residential neighborhoods is generally in good condition; some areas are in disrepair due to age and buckling due to shallow rooting trees. In new growth areas, such as the east and west sides of town, a sidewalk system is needed to connect to the downtown core, including Falls Park.

There are two designated county bikeways, Turnpike Triangle and Fall Creek Trace, which run within or immediately adjacent to Falls Park. Nearby pedestrian trails and bikeways are exceptionally important to the park for two reasons: 1) A large portion of Pendleton's population resides within walking/biking distance and 2) Falls Park includes some very popular jogging and biking routes, and these users would typically prefer to jog or bike to the park.

There are no abandoned rail lines in Pendleton, but the active railroad corridor

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paralleling State Road 67 and bisecting Falls Park is identified as a Priority Visionary Trail in the Indiana State Trails, Greenways, and Bikeways Plan of 2014. Extending from Indianapolis to Anderson, the trail is intended to use a mix of the old interurban railroad corridor and highway right-of-way to link Fort Harrison State Park and Mounds State Park. If trail planning moves forward, it would be in the park's interest to work to be included on the route.

### Industrial/Business Parks

There are three major industrial/business parks around the Town of Pendleton. The Pendleton Business Park is an industrial park located near Interstate 69's Interchange 219. The park is home to Tractor Supply Distribution, Dodd Technologies, Versa Cold Logistics Company, Cad Cam Technologies, and the South Madison Community School Corporation. Adjacent to the Pendleton Business Park is the Falls Pointe Business Park, a 200 acre business park owned by the Town of Pendleton. At Interchange 222 off of Interstate 69, the City of Anderson owns the The Flagship Business Park. The largest employers at this park include Nestle and Carter Express. Bikeways or trail linkages to these centers could be especially beneficial to the population of Pendleton.

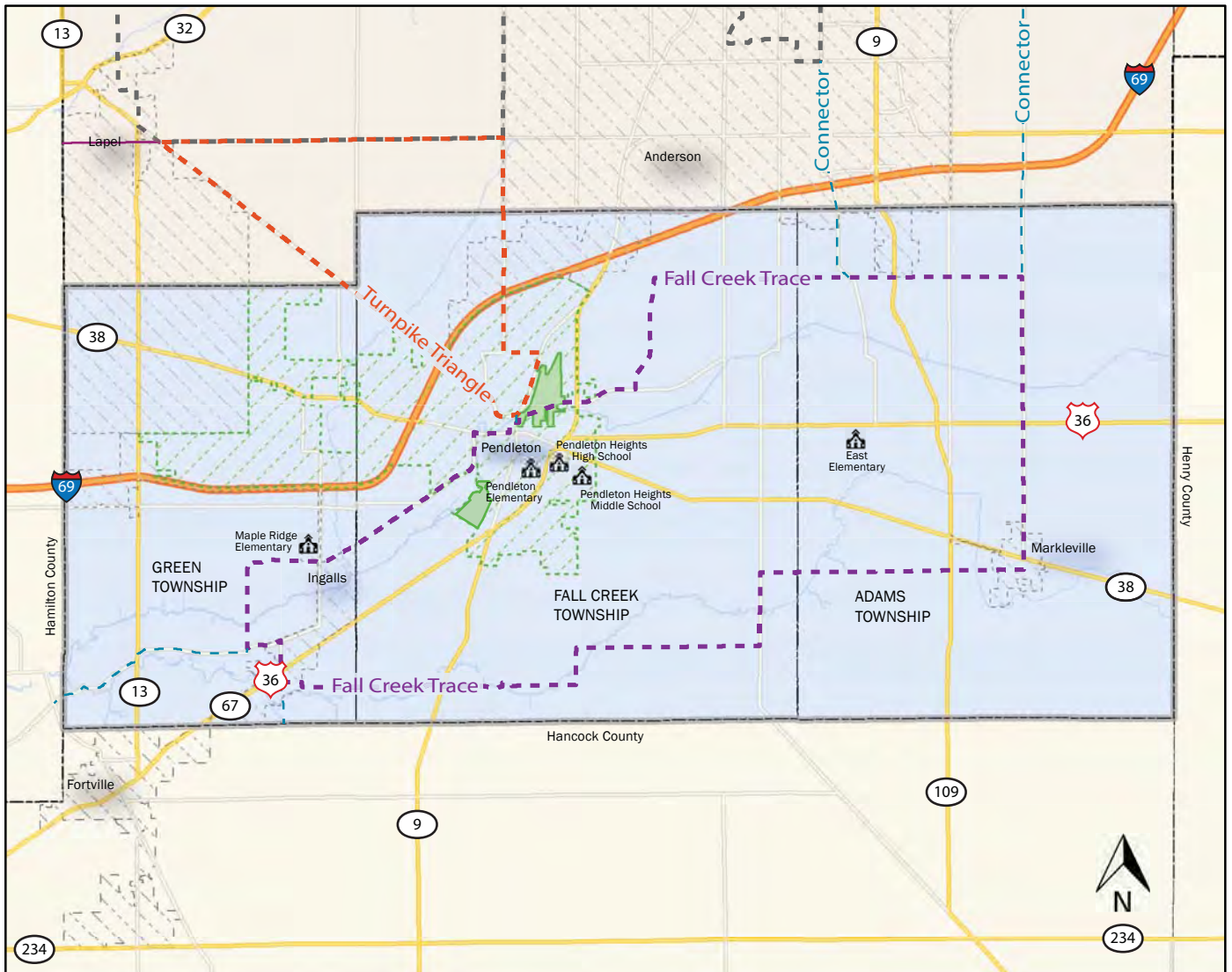


Image 3.4: Two Madison County Bikeways pass through the planning area, Turnpike Triangle and Fall Creek Trace. The planning area also represents the South Madison Community School Corporation (SMCSC) and is the home of three elementary schools, a middle school, and high school.

## Schools

Schools are special resources for parks, just as parks are special resources for schools. The Town of Pendleton and the Planning Area is part of the South Madison School Corporation. There are four schools located in the Town of Pendleton: Pendleton Elementary, Pendleton Intermediate School, Pendleton Heights Middle School, and Pendleton Heights High School. There are also elementary schools on the east and west sides of Pendleton: East Elementary and Maple Ridge Elementary. The schools located within the Town of Pendleton are all are within walking distance of the park, although some areas lack sidewalks. Falls Park should consider the variety of benefits it could accrue from a closer relationship with the school system. Joint programs could bring trained educators into the park to deliver informative and potentially popular programming, and at the same time advertise park events directly to one of the park's most important user groups. The park can offer the school a nearby outdoor laboratory for education in the life sciences as well as a nearby non-school location for special recreational, extracurricular, or reward-type events. This partnership could deeply enrich park programming and school resources at the same time.

## Cultural Features

Pendleton's rich heritage and natural gifts have given rise to an active community spirit, which in turn celebrates its culture with an exceptional array of festivals throughout the year. The major festivals and events held on an annual basis currently include the following:

Event	Month	Location	Activities
Spring Swing Tournament (Falls Park Adult Softball League)	April	Sports Complex	16 team adult softball tournament.
Easter Egg Hunt (area churches and YMCA)	March/ April	Falls Park	Easter egg hunt, bounce houses, and children's activities.
Tour de Pendleton (South Madison Youth Commission)	April	Pendleton Heights High School to Maple Ridge	Bicycle ride between the high school and elementary school.
Pendleton Junior Baseball/Softball Opening Day	April	Falls Park and Sports Complex	Parade and full day of baseball and softball.
Highway 38 Sale (Pendleton Business Association)	May	Downtown Pendleton	Street-side sales along State Road 38 from New Castle to Noblesville that attracts regional shoppers.
Gazebo Prom (Pendleton Heights High School)	May	Town	Pendleton Heights High School students attending prom stop at park gazebo to take pictures.
Concerts in the Park (Lion's Club and Pendleton Community Library)	May - Aug	Falls Park	Free concerts in the gazebo in Falls Park
Farmer's Market (Pendleton Farmer's Market Board)	May - Oct	Falls Park	Seasonal open-air market offering local produce and homemade goods.

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Event	Month	Location	Activities
June Jamboree (Lion's Club)	June	Falls Park	Carnival with Midway, food, and tent booths.
Madison County Law Enforcement Torch Run (Correctional Industrial Facility for Special Olympics Indiana)	June	Falls Park	Run that benefits the Special Olympics.
Pet Parade (Lion's Club)	June	Falls Park	Pets are dressed up and paraded through Falls Park.
Fourth at the Falls Parade and Celebration (Main Street Pendleton)	July	Downtown Pendleton and Falls Park	Annual Fourth of July celebration featuring a parade, food, and fireworks.
Annual Kiwanis Kar Show in Memory of Neal Shull (Kiwanis)	July	Falls Park	Car show sponsored by the Kiwanis in Falls Park.
Pound the Pavement (Kevin Carey Foundation)	July	Falls Park	Annual 5K run through Falls Park benefitting the Kevin Carey Foundation.
Fishing Derby (Lion's Club)	August	Falls Park	Fishing derby for kids 12 and under.
Heritage Fair/ Pendleton Fall Festival (Century and A Half Club and Pendleton Business Association)	Sept	Falls Park and Downtown	Booths selling crafts, furniture, antiques, and food are set up through downtown and Falls Park.
Answers for Adalyn Benefit Ride (Answers for Adalyn)	Sept	Falls Park	Benefit for Adalyn Hiatt.
Outfitters Block Party	Sept	Downtown Pendleton	Block party dance raises money for charity.
Homecoming Parade (Pendleton Heights High School)	Sept	Downtown Pendleton	Annual Pendleton Heights High School homecoming parade.
Christmas in Pendleton (Pendleton Business Association)	Nov	Downtown	Features a parade, Santa, snowball fight, vendors, and food.

Spanning the months from April through November, Pendleton's festivals are an excellent way to engage the public with Falls Park. The festivals' timing during the year is also ideal, as the months of January through March are less than ideal for attracting outdoor crowds. The spacing out of festivals is also well planned, as there is approximately one major event each month. As such, there is little room to improve in terms of adding completely new events.



### **Social and Economic Features**

Falls Park and the Fall Creek Golf Club, which comprises the entire parks and recreation system, is not only an attractive destination for Pendleton's 4,226 residents, but it also exerts a regional draw on Fall Creek Township's 14,695 residents and the 26,124 people in the three southern townships of Madison County. The combination of the park's regional draw and its proximity to downtown presents a major boon to local businesses, especially the many antique stores and boutiques that rely heavily on tourist sales.

### **Economics**

On average, Fall Creek, Adams, and Green Townships have a median household income of \$62,207 per year and a median home value of \$132,400. The Madison County median home value is \$96,300. Over 51% of the planning area who are over the age of 25 have at least some college education. Incomes and home values will likely remain at current levels or increase as Indianapolis and its northern suburbs continue to expand.

### **Age Distribution**

The age distribution of the users. Children tend to be heavy users of parks, and the age-distribution of those under 18 is fairly even and normal. The area is losing individuals in the 18-34 age group, but not as quickly as other Madison County communities, indicating that close proximity to Interstate 69 and Indianapolis may be somewhat influential in retaining young adults despite a regional trend to relocate out of the region. Finally, middle age persons are the most prevalent age group, and the trend has been for that age group to increase in size. Therefore, the demographics show a special need to target amenities and activities to the middle aged.

### **Housing and Demographics**

A very healthy 81% of homes are owner-occupied, with an additional 18% renter-occupied. This is an important balance that allows a solid core of reliable residents who can be counted on to be invested in the park and the community. Among these homeowners, 88% have lived in the same home for 5 or more years.

Diversity is not a strength of this planning area, with all minorities together comprising only 8% of the population. A surprising 14% of the planning area lives with some sort of disability, however. With this many disabled individuals within the heaviest user-group, not only should universal access be a priority, but programs and recreational opportunities specifically aimed at persons with disabilities should also be considered.

A large percentage of families have 2 or more workers, which indicates that time may be an issue for this user-group, so hassle-free, accessible relaxation opportunities should be a priority in planning. Multiple-worker households may also benefit from programs that take parental logistics into account. Example programs include assistance in arranging for rides for children if parents are working, and after-school and summer programs that provide children with activities while their parents are at work. Schools are logical partners in these undertakings. Another working trend affecting Pendleton residents is long commutes into Hamilton and Marion Counties, and the aforementioned programs would also benefit those with long commutes. Additionally, it should be noted that programs meant to attract participants with long commutes should consider a convenient start time to account for a long commute and dinner.

### **Population Trend**

Despite a gradually declining population several decades ago, Pendleton is now in a state of growth. Although childbirth contributes to population growth in Pendleton, much of Pendleton's growth is tied to the growth of greater Indianapolis in the northeast direction. Pendleton is intimately linked to this growth through two major highways and two exits along Interstate 69, the primary connector between Indianapolis and

Fort Wayne. In addition to location, a second factor driving residential growth may be the combination of attractive town amenities and low housing prices. Pendleton is a progressive municipality with excellent schools, but is also a historical small town. Finally, Falls Park itself adds a major incentive for residents due to the combination of its unique natural features, size, and its wide variety of recreational facilities ranging from a swimming pool, to hiking trails, to a state-of-the-art baseball complex. None of these factors are likely to diminish, so Pendleton's growth is likely to continue for the foreseeable future, with much of this growth coming from former Indianapolis residents. This will affect park planning in several ways. First, as a simple result of growth, it is advisable to maintain the current pattern of periodic expansion of the park's land and services, especially because undeveloped land will become increasingly unavailable. Secondly, educational opportunities, programs, and new amenities that highlight Pendleton's history and traditions are called for as a means of preserving Pendleton's culture and heritage.

### **General Conclusions**

Those who live in the planning area are typically affluent and well educated, which, along with the fact that a solid core of 81% of residents are invested in the community through homeownership, signifies that Falls Park's users have benefited from past investment in Falls Park. It has been noted that populations are increasing across all user-groups of Falls Park, indicating that the land, programs, and facilities of Falls Park may need to be periodically expanded. It is likely that some facilities will remain under-utilized for some time as the populations grow, while others are already over-crowded; therefore expansion in at least some areas will probably be necessary, but the timing and selection of facilities to upgrade or expand should be carefully considered. A significant portion of the region's growth is related to the expansion of greater Indianapolis, which indicates that a large number of people from outside of the region are likely to settle here. This indicates that programs that highlight and provide information about the traditions and history of Pendleton, and the region would be useful in preserving culture and heritage.

### **Connections**

A majority of park users will continue, at least for the time being, to use cars to get to the park as there are two or more cars per household on average. This indicates that the road approaches, curb-appeal, signage, and parking will be major concerns for the park. Parking, as it will consume prime recreation space, will be a special concern. A large number of Falls Park's users could easily walk to the park. Currently, the park is fairly well connected to the surrounding community in terms of sidewalks and trails, but these connections should not be neglected. Where opportunities to improve these connections exist, they should be taken advantage of. If proper trails existed, many of the residents of Falls Creek Township could access Falls Park relatively easily by biking. This has potential to improve park services to up to 10,000 users who might bike or walk to the park if safe, pleasant connections existed. During the creation of these connections, population centers within Fall Creek Township should be identified and targeted to receive trails or bikeways into the park. As a result of the park's central location, these means of alternative transportation to the park should be promoted, as they will increase community investment in the park and slow the need to provide increased parking.

### **Special Populations**

Several populations that have been identified that may merit additional consideration as Falls Park moves into the future:

- Educated, middle-aged people form by far the largest population among Falls Park's users, and therefore deserve a similarly large consideration.

- Children, fairly evenly distributed as far as their age-groups, also deserve a special consideration for two reasons: 1) many of the middle-aged population have children, so providing a service to children will also provide a service to the middle-aged populations, and 2) statistics have identified that the region is losing its young adults, but by providing excellent services for children, Falls Park will help retain or attract young adults as they settle down and have children.

- People with disabilities form almost one-fourth of Falls Park’s users, so there should be no question as to the need for universally accessible grounds and facilities. Additionally, special programs and services targeted at people with disabilities should be considered.

- Families with limited time are another population to keep in mind as a large number of workers have long commutes into Marion and Hamilton Counties. As a result, programs and activities should be as hassle-free as possible. Programs designed to occupy the children of working parents would be very helpful, especially after school and in the summer during the daytime. Schools are a natural partner for these programs. Finally, in order to allow workers with long commutes to participate, programs should begin at a convenient time to allow time for a long commute and dinner.

### Summary of Figures

	Fall Creek Township	Green Township	Adams Township
2000 Population	14,695	7,537	3,892
2010 Population	14,582	7,451	3,872
Percent children (age < 20)	21.2	32.1	28.5
Percent young adults (age 20-34)	21.6	21.2	15.3
Percent middle aged adults (age 35-64)	44.6	36.6	41.9
Percent senior citizens (age > 64)	12.8	10.1	14.3
Percent with disabilities	13.3	14.4	14.0
Percent of minorities	16.7	5.5	2.2
Percent over 25 completed high school	38.0	32.7	46.0
Percent over 25 with some college or completed college	52.1	58.1	43.9
Percent of housing that is renter-occupied	22.4	20.0	11.4
Percent of housing that is owner-occupied	77.6	80.0	86.6
Percent of home-owners with > 5 years tenure	13.6	17.3	5.9
Median Household Income	\$63,847	\$62,228	\$60,545
Median Home Value	\$139,300	\$125,300	\$132,600

\*All figures are from the 2009-2013 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

# FEATURES OF PLANNING AREA

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## Chapter Four- Accessibility and Universal Design

Accessibility is an issue that affects every community in the United States as the majority of the population will have a temporary activity limitation or permanent disability at some point during their lives. Although more common disabilities may be related to mobility or a physical impairment, disabilities can range from impairments in vision, speech, and hearing to learning disabilities, mental health disabilities, and cognitive disabilities. Park and recreation providers are well aware of the positive physical, psychological, and social benefits of those who participate in public recreation programs and services. The Pendleton/Fall Creek Township Parks and Recreation Board and Department continues to work toward greater accessibility in its parks and facilities.

### **Federal Legislation Affecting Park Systems**

Park and recreation master plans are affected by three pieces of federal legislation regarding accessibility for persons with disabilities: the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 (ABA), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA).

The Architectural Barriers Act was the first federal law created requiring facilities designed, built, altered, or leased using federal funds be accessible to the public. Facilities built before the law was passed are usually not covered, but alterations undertaken after the law took effect are required to comply with the Act.

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act ensures access to programs and activities that are federally funded. The Act states that “no individual can be excluded from the participation in, be denied benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity conducted by an Executive Agency.” The act requires specific actions from agencies, including a self-evaluation of its policies, facilities, programs, and services.

The most recent act to be passed affecting park plans is Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act. This Act extends the prohibition of discrimination in federally assisted programs established by Section 504 to all activities of State and local governments. This includes those activities that do not receive Federal financial assistance, such as providing modifications to policies, practices, and procedures.

This Act requires that local governments having 50 or more employees in the entire governmental unit to complete the following requirements:

1. Complete an accessibility self-evaluation or update a previous self-evaluation created under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.
2. Provide notice to the public about the entity’s ADA obligations, non-discrimination requirements and accessible services and facilities.
3. Designate an individual to coordinate ADA compliance.
4. Develop a transition plan identifying the physical changes or modifications that will be made to achieve program access.
5. Develop an ADA grievance procedure for those who feel that they have been

discriminated against because of their disability or their friends or family with disabilities.

There are two accessibility standards to follow when evaluating the built environment. They include the ADA Accessibility Guidelines (ADAAG) and the newer 2012 ADA Standards for Accessible Design. Both have been used in the evaluation of the Falls Park System. The aforementioned requirements have all been addressed in the update to this Plan. A complete copy of the self-evaluation and grievance procedures can be found in the Appendix.

## **Universal Design**

To eliminate physical and social barriers, the IDNR, DOR strongly recommends the use of Universal Design concepts as a best management practice. Universal Design is the design of products and environments for all people, to the greatest extent possible, without the need for adaptation or specialized design. The concept is based on these seven principles:

1. Equitable Use
2. Flexibility in Use
3. Simple and Intuitive Use
4. Perceptible Information
5. Tolerance for Error
6. Low Physical Effort
7. Size and Space for Approach and Use

The Parks and Recreation Board is also encouraged to regularly consult with people who have disabilities when planning new facilities and programs. There are many facets of park and program planning to consider when implementing ADA and other accessibility laws, including signage, parking, restrooms, lighting, sound systems, and transportation. Not all barriers relate to physical access and may also include communication, programs, organization, and attitude of Parks Board members or staff.

## **Accessibility Self-Evaluation**

In 2013, the Town of Pendleton adopted an Americans with Disabilities Act Transition Plan. As part of this project, a self-evaluation was completed, which included all Falls Park facilities.

The self-evaluation consisted of visiting six of areas of Falls Park: the Falls and surrounding area, the North Entrance and Trails, the Sports Complex, the Conservation Building, the Alvin D. Brown Memorial Pool, and the Fall Creek Golf Club. Aspects of each facility were observed, tested and measured to ensure compliance with ADA standards. All data was collected using iPads in conjunction with ESRI ArcGIS.

## **The Falls at Falls Park**

*The Community Building, Lion's Club Restrooms, Red Diamond Restrooms, and Shelter*  
The entrance ramp to the Community Building has too steep of a slope and should be modified to meet ADA guidelines. All interior door handles should be replaced with ones operable with a closed fist. The reach ranges in the kitchen should be lowered, and the counter heights should be lowered. The main issue at this facility is the restrooms. There are multiple accessibility issues, and it is recommended that the restrooms be remodeled into one unisex restroom that is ADA accessible.

Outside of the Community Building are three additional facilities: the Lion's Club Restrooms, Red Diamond Restrooms, and Shelter House. Both restroom facilities are older facilities that require major modifications to become ADA accessible. Since the

use has changed in the surrounding area, the Park Board should consider removing the existing restroom facilities and constructing new ones in an area that makes sense for the future use of the site.

#### *Pendleton Historical Museum*

Although there are not a large number of recommended modifications, several of the modifications are either cost or time intensive. Leading to the entrance of the facility, a tactile strip must be installed before the transition from sidewalk ramp to parking lot and the area in front of the entrance must be leveled to have a slope less than two percent in all directions. The entrance itself required a reduction in the threshold, and the door handle should be replaced to a levered door handle.

The museum has already installed a lift for access to the second floor. The door for the lift does not provide adequate pull-side wall clearance for access. If possible, it is recommended that the opening direction of the door be switched for compliance. Alternatively, the wall that is impeding the wall clearance could be removed. Due to the complexity of this issue, the timeline for modifications allows three to five years for completion. Either both can be upgraded or they can be labeled as unisex restrooms with at least one of the two being converted for ADA accessibility. Considering that the southeast restroom already has grab bars installed, it would cost less to modify. The sinks in both restrooms do not comply with the minimum apron height or the maximum sink rim height. The major issue for the restrooms is the inability for the sink to be compliant. Overall, the facility is fairly close to meeting the standards and is recommended as a moderate priority.

#### *The Playground, Restrooms, Shelters, and Gazebo*

The main concern in this area of the park are the restrooms. There is not a handicap restroom available, and there are multiple issues at the existing restrooms which include the sinks, doors, and clear space. This is a very popular area of the park, and the Park Board may want to consider constructing a new restroom facility that is closer to accessible parking. An accessible drinking fountain should be included in this new facility since there are two in this area of the park that are not accessible.

Access to the small and large shelter house should also be modified as the ramp from the parking lot to the shelter houses is at a slope that exceeds the maximum slope for ADA accessibility. Furthermore, the reach range to turn on the lights in the large shelter house is too high and should be lowered.

#### **The North Entrance and Trails**

The North Entrance and Trails are considered one of the newer areas of the park, as this was constructed in 2005. The facilities in this area were constructed to meet ADA guidelines. The only issues that were found at this site were in regards to the restrooms: restroom doors should be marked with ADA signage and Braille and the sink depth should be adjusted to meet guidelines.

#### **The Sports Complex**

The Sports Complex was constructed in 2003 and is one of the newest facilities in the Falls Park and Recreation System. Therefore, there are very few accessibility issues that were found at this site. The water fountains at this site are approximately 1 inch too high. The restrooms near the football fields have stalls that are not operable with a closed fist, and the knee depth at the sinks is too shallow and should be increased. These are all minor issues.

#### **The Conservation Building**

The Conservation Building only has a few accessibility issues. The path width to the

accessible entrance should be increased to meet ADA guidelines, and the door handle should be replaced with one operable with a closed fist. The main threshold to the building should be lowered to meet height requirements. All interior door handles should be replaced with ones operable with a closed fist, and doors should be adjusted to open with less than 5 pounds of force. The reach ranges in the kitchen and restrooms should be lowered, and a portion of the countertops in the kitchen should be lowered to allow access. At the restrooms, signage should be modified to include the International Symbol of Accessibility and Braille.

### **Alvin D. Brown Memorial Pool**

Brown Memorial Pool was constructed in the 1970's, and there are a few accessibility issues. At the entrance, there are two rails that help guide patrons to the front ticket counter, however, these rails should be modified to meet ADA guidelines or removed. The ticket counter is also too high, and all or a portion of the counter should be lowered to provide access. The bathhouses have a few issues. The reach ranges in both bathhouses should be lowered and ADA signage should be included at all entrances. Since there is no wall clearance at the doors that lead from the bathhouses to the pool deck, a programmatic change should be made to keep these doors open during operating hours. The restroom stalls in the women's and men's bathhouses should be modified to be operable with a closed fist. Grab bars need to be installed in the accessible stall in the women's restroom, and the toilet seat should also be lowered to meet guidelines. The women's bathhouse should also be modified to include an ADA accessible shower. Once on the pool deck, the gate to the kiddie pool should be modified to one that is operable with a closed fist. The concession stand counter is too high and should be lowered to provide access.

### **Fall Creek Golf Club**

#### *The Pro Shop*

The Pro Shop at the Fall Creek Golf Club is not accessible. The highest priority modification recommended for this facility is the provision of an alternative route or installation of a ramp to the front entrance. The entrance itself requires a reduction in the threshold and door resistance as well. Once inside the facility, the counter is too high. However, it does not present any major concerns for a programmatic modification. The main focus for the Pro Shop interior is the restroom. Due to complications with the men's restroom width of path to fixtures, it is recommended that the women's restroom be converted to an accessible unisex restroom and the men's restroom be converted to a unisex restroom. Focusing on the women's restroom can provide significant cost savings since the modifications are far less cost and time intensive.

#### *The Restaurant*

Similarly, the restaurant for the Golf Club has significant compliance issues. The building has three accessible parking spaces, yet none of them are marked as van accessible. At least one must be upgraded to a van accessible space. Access to the front entrance is also a concern for this building. The ramp that is installed is too steep, has a very high cross slope, and is not wide enough for public access. Modifying the entrance ramp will significantly improve the building's access. Still, the entrance and restroom also present moderate challenges that must be resolved. Overall, the Fall Creek Golf Club does not provide access to all individuals at this time. There are several high priority, cost, and time intensive modifications that must be completed for compliance. Due to the nature of the facility and because the restaurant is currently closed, it is recommended as a low priority.

### **Grievance Procedures**

A grievance concerning the accessibility of the Pendleton/Fall Creek Township Parks System's services, programs or activities should be addressed to Tim McClintick, Town Manager of the Town of Pendleton. Grievance procedures are in the Appendix.



## Chapter Five- Public Participation

Public participation is an essential component of a credible, quality plan. The role of the public should never be underestimated or undervalued, and therefore, plays an integral role in the development of a Five Year Park and Recreation Master Plan. Ultimately, it is the public that benefits from recreational planning. Developing a solid plan is the foundation for improving the quality of life for the residents of Pendleton and Fall Creek Township.

### Public Input Booths

The Master Plan Steering Committee opted to attend community events and set up public input booths to gather feedback from the community. The following community events were selected for public input booths:

- The first public input booth was held at the Pendleton Heritage Fair in Falls Park on Saturday, September 6th, 2014. Steering Committee members staffed the booth from 8 am to 2 pm.
- The second public input booth was held at the Pendleton Farmer's Market in Falls Park on September 20th, 2014. Steering Committee members staffed the booth from 8 am to 12 pm.
- The third public input booth was held during league night at the Fall Creek Golf Course on October 1st, 2014. Steering Committee members staffed the booth from 3 pm to 7 pm.

The public input booths were advertised in several ways. An article with information about the park plan and public input opportunities was posted in the Pendleton Times-Post on September 3rd, 2014 and the opportunities were listed in the community calendar for the rest of the month. Flyers were emailed to all Town boards and commissions, the Park Board, civic organizations, adult and youth athletic organizations, churches, the Pendleton Community Library, and the Pendleton YMCA. The public input opportunities were also advertised on Facebook on several pages, including the Town of Pendleton, Falls Park of Pendleton, Main Street Pendleton, the Pendleton Gazette, and the Falls Park Adult Softball League.

At the public input booths, Steering Committee members were available to discuss park issues with participants. Hard copies of the public input survey and

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**Public Input Forums**

**Saturday, September 6th, 2014**  
*Heritage Fair, Falls Park, 8:00 am - 6:00 pm*

**Saturday, September 20th, 2014**  
*Farmer's Market, Falls Park, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm*

**Wednesday, October 1st, 2014**  
*League Night, Fall Creek Golf Course, 3:30 pm - 7:30 pm*

The Pendleton/Fall Creek Parks and Recreation Board is updating the five-year master park plan. Come and share your views and help guide the development of existing and future park facilities in Pendleton and Fall Creek Township.

Residents, community organizations, and interested stakeholders are invited to stop by the public input booths at the listed events and help envision the future of Falls Park.

Have 10 minutes? You can also click here to complete the **2014 Parks and Recreation Survey**  
Or visit [www.fallspark.org](http://www.fallspark.org) and click on the survey link.

For more information, contact Rachel Christenson, Planning and Zoning Coordinator, Town of Pendleton  
100 West State Street | 765-778-8370 | [rchristenson@town.pendleton.in.us](mailto:rchristenson@town.pendleton.in.us)

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Image 5.1: Flyer that was distributed to town boards, commissions, civic organizations, adult and youth athletic organizations, churches, the library, and the YMCA.

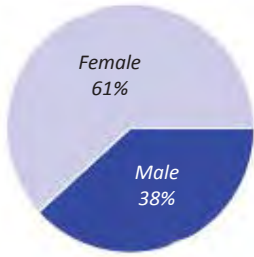


Image 5.2: Gender of survey respondents.

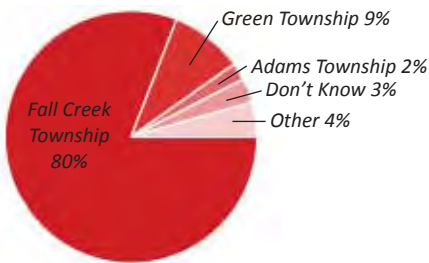


Image 5.3: Township residency.

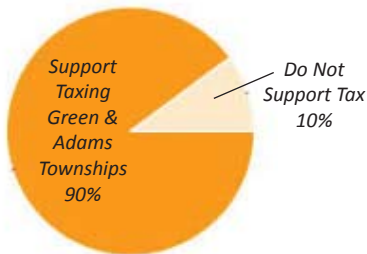


Image 5.4: Survey respondents who support a park tax for Green and Adams Townships.

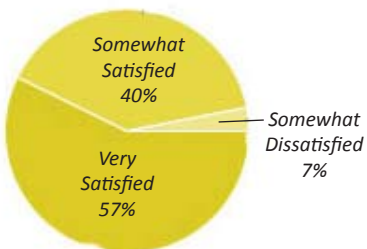


Image 5.5: Household satisfaction.

comment sheets were available for participants to complete. Aerial maps of Falls Park, the Sports Complex, and the Fall Creek Golf Course were available for participants to draw on and write suggestions. Steering Committee members also took notes of discussions they had with booth participants. In all, 18 comment sheets and 31 public input surveys were completed.

Feedback from the public input booths centered on facility additions and maintenance of existing facilities. In terms of growth and expansion, several comments were made about the addition of an outdoor amphitheater, soccer fields, a splash pad, a dog park, a fitness trail, a miniature golf course, and additional trail facilities. Many wanted to see existing facilities in Falls Park upgraded or maintained better, such as the pool and restroom facilities. Other top requests included:

- Maps and signage throughout the park that identify park amenities and trails,
- Improvements to the pond and area around the Falls,
- Improvements to existing playing courts (basketball, volleyball),
- Development of a nature center and nature preserve area.

In terms of programming and marketing, top comments received include the following:

- More volunteer initiatives,
- Work to change Town ordinance to allow alcohol in the park for certain events,
- More marketing for Falls Park events,
- More events for older adults.

A complete listing of comments received through the public input booths can be found in the Appendix.

### Community Survey

A survey designed to gain information about recreation patterns, interests, and general opinions of the users of Falls Park was made available online from Wednesday, September 3rd, 2014 through Friday, October 31st, 2014. The survey was advertised through several different methods. An article with information about the park plan and the park survey was posted in the Pendleton Times-Post on September 3rd, 2014 and the opportunities were listed in the community calendar for the rest of the month. Flyers with the survey link were emailed to all Town boards and commissions, the Park Board, civic organizations, adult and youth athletic organizations, churches, the Pendleton Community Library, and the Pendleton YMCA. The survey was also advertised on Facebook on several pages, including the Town of Pendleton, Falls Park of Pendleton, Main Street Pendleton, the Pendleton Gazette, and the Falls Park Adult Softball League. During the advertised time period, 227 surveys were completed and returned. Key results of the survey are summarized below; complete results are included in the Appendix.

#### Who Took the Survey:

- The 227 respondents were mostly females (61%) and adults over 30 (92%).
- 80% of the respondents live within Fall Creek Township.
- The interests of males, adults under 30, and children may not be reflected in the survey results.

#### Falls Park Use Patterns:

- When asked what would encourage the respondent to use the Falls Park and Recreation System more often, top responses included better communication to the public about activities and events (46%), newer facilities (29%), more convenient hours at the pool (25%), facilities having better equipment (24%), and facilities being better maintained (24%).

**Park Administration:**

- To pay for new park amenities, respondents were most interested in the Park Board pursuing grants (89%), donations (79%), and using existing budget efficiently (63%).
- 90% of respondents thought that Green and Adams Township residents should pay a park tax. However, only 20% of survey respondents lived outside of Fall Creek Township.
- The preferred methods of communication for park activities and announcements included Facebook (67%), the Falls Park website (61%), newspaper articles (56%), and posters around town (48%).
- 57% of survey respondents were ‘Very Satisfied’ with the overall value their household receives from the Falls Park and Recreation Department. 40% were ‘Somewhat Satisfied.’

**Public Presentation of Plan**

The Pendleton/Fall Creek Township Parks and Recreation Master Plan was presented to the public on March 18th, 2015 at 6 pm at the regularly scheduled Pendleton/Fall Creek Township Parks and Recreation Board Meeting. The meeting was advertised in the Times Post, on the Falls Park website, and on the Town of Pendleton’s website. Each participant was given an Executive Summary of the plan. Twenty members of the public participated in the meeting, and a meeting sign in sheet has been included in the appendix. One member of the public asked how the Park Board was going to fund the projects listed in the Action Plan, and the Park Board explained that projects were tentative based on the availability of funds.

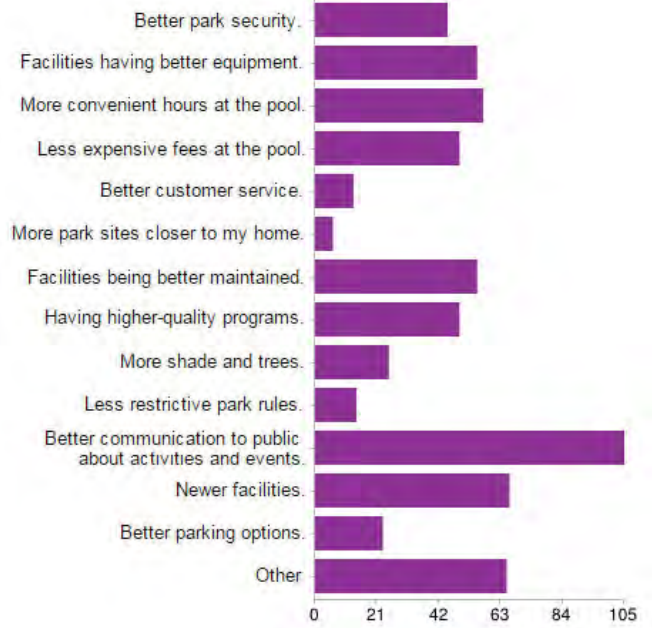


Image 5.6: Survey results on what would encourage respondents to use the Falls Park and Recreation System more often.

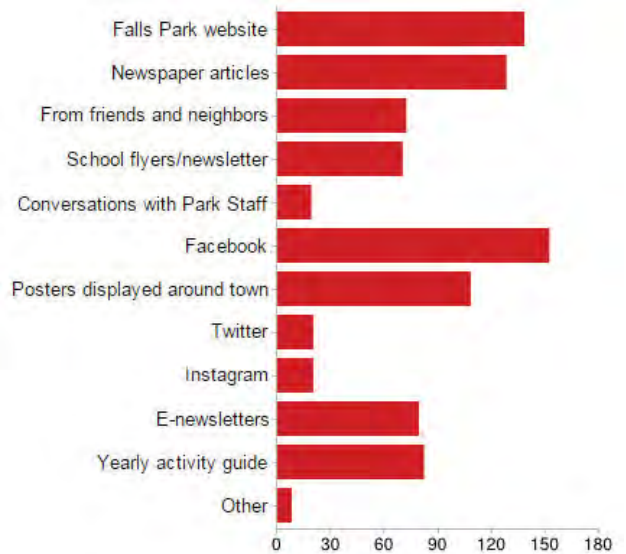


Image 5.7: Survey results on respondents preferred methods of communication for park activities and announcements.

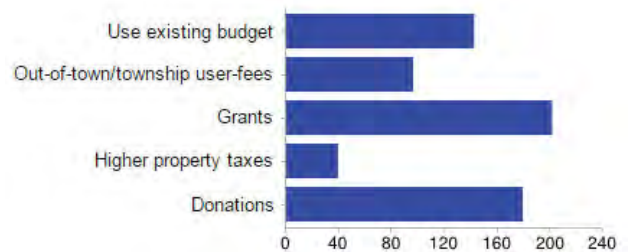


Image 5.8: Survey results on how respondents would like the Park Board to pay for new park amenities.

# PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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## Chapter Six- Needs Analysis

A needs assessment is necessary to identify both the strengths and weaknesses of a park system. There are several analysis methods that can be used to analyze the recreational needs of a community. To analyze the needs of the Town of Pendleton and Fall Creek Township, a combination of the Issue Analysis Method and the Level of Service (LOS) Method were used.

The Issue Analysis Method uses the information gathered from the master plan to identify and resolve needs, problems, and conflicts. Issues are usually evident to the Park Board members and some appear during the public input process. The method guides communities to set local standards based on needs, values, and expectations.

The Level of Service (LOS) Method was developed by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA). This method guides communities to set local standards based on needs, values, and expectations. A component of this method is to assess existing facilities and public input, and then to prioritize the needs of the planning area.

### **Issues from Public Input**

Some common issues emerged from the public input process. Input from the public booths and public survey indicated the community is very much interested in trails: trail development, trail improvements, trail amenities, and trail maintenance. Several new facilities were also suggested, including soccer fields, a dog park, a splash pad, and a nature center/preserve.

In addition to new facilities, the public also wanted to see improvements to existing facilities, including the pond area around the Falls, improvements to existing basketball and volleyball courts, and upgrades to the pool and restroom facilities.

Some administrative changes were suggested, including permitting alcoholic beverages in the park for certain events and keeping the pool open for longer hours. Changes in communication methods were also suggested, such as using Facebook, having e-newsletters, and a yearly activity guide to advertise park activities and announcements.

### **Issues from the Board**

The Park Board is faced with a financial challenge as the Board has to deal with increasing costs and decreasing revenue. Top issues from the Park Board include the following:

1. How to best use the open space east of Community Building to the railroad tracks and the 10 acres at the corner of Water and East Streets.
2. Upgrading the shelter at the North entrance so it is a more attractive site to rent.
3. Locating a new restroom facility (or facilities) or renovating existing restroom facilities to better accommodate the Park's needs, particularly with the larger events. If a new restroom facility is determined a need, the Park Board may consider including this as part of a new 12 month facility.
4. Planning for trail development in the newly acquired properties as well as a trail system connecting to the golf course.
5. Determining the future of Brown Pool. Options include investing in a splash pad and renovating the pool facility or closing the pool and investing the money in a more popular park improvement.

6. Continuing to improve handicap accessibility in the park.
7. Working with the Town to complete a pedestrian path along Fall Creek Drive from the railroad tracks to the Sports Complex.
8. Improving the website and other forms of communication and keeping them up-to-date for better interactivity with the public as well as possibly taking payments online to reduce administrative time.
9. Developing a stronger partnering relationship with the YMCA to utilize the Y's ability to manage events and activities while providing the Y with facilities for their programming to better serve the community at large.
10. Considering what improvements need to be done at the Golf Course, particularly the need to address water issues, such as adding a pond for irrigation and aesthetic purposes.

### Indiana Standards

The Department of Natural Resources, Division of Outdoor Recreation, updates the Indiana Statewide Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) every five years. This document provides standards for outdoor recreation opportunities. To determine which areas have a surplus or deficit of outdoor recreation areas, a standard of 20 acres of local public outdoor recreation opportunities per 1,000 people is used.

According to the standards set forth in the Indiana SCORP, the Town of Pendleton and Fall Creek Township should have approximately 294 acres of local public recreation areas based on the 2010 population of 14,695 people. The combined planning area of Fall Creek Township, Green Township, and Adams Township should have approximately 522 acres of public recreation areas based on the 2010 Census population of 26,124 people.

To figure the number of acres of public park land available to the planning area, all public recreation lands were taken into consideration, including the 184 acres at Falls Park and the 93 acres at the Fall Creek Golf Club. The total acreage of local public recreation lands available in Fall Creek Township and the Town of Pendleton is 300 and the total acreage of local public recreation lands available in the entire planning area is 332.

Indiana Standards	Fall Creek Township & Pendleton	Indiana Standards	Entire Planning Area
Recommended Park Acreage for Pendleton: 294	Actual Park Acreage in Fall Creek Township & Pendleton: 277	Recommended Park Acreage for Planning Area: 522	Actual Park Acreage in Planning Area: 332
Recommended Acres per person: 0.02	Actual Acres per Person: 0.02	Recommended Acres per Person: 0.02	Actual Acres per Person: 0.01

Fall Creek Township and the Town of Pendleton meet the recommended standard of 0.02 acres of local public recreation lands available per person. However, looking at the entire planning area, the south Madison community is approximately 0.01 acres per person short (approximately 190 acres). The Park Board should strive to maintain the recommended acreage per person in Fall Creek Township and the Town of Pendleton and work with the neighboring townships of Adams and Green to acquire more local recreation lands.

### Recommendations

It is apparent that the Pendleton/Fall Creek Parks and Recreation Board and Falls Park

Staff provide a high level of service and quality recreation opportunities for the Town of Pendleton, Fall Creek Township, and surrounding townships.

As the park system continues to grow and develop, it will become important to preserve the cultural and historic heritage of Falls Park and residents of Pendleton and Fall Creek Township. If new properties are acquired, the design and planning should be completed in a way that is respectful of that cultural and historic heritage.

The Board should consider the standardization of some materials throughout the park, including signage, benches, picnic tables, and trash cans. This presents a common look throughout the park and makes it recognizable as a Falls Park property. Furthermore, this practice could provide the parks a cost savings, since buying multiple quantities of a particular item may decrease the cost.

The practice of purchasing high quality, environmentally friendly materials should be considered. Using materials that are durable and timeless can save the Board money in the long term as these products can be used well into the future.

Safety should also remain a top priority for the Board. The park should be reviewed annually for any safety and lighting issues to determine if any additions or improvements need to be made.

# NEEDS ANALYSIS

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## Chapter Seven- Priorities and Action Plan

The priority issues facing the Pendleton/Fall Creek Parks and Recreation Board have been identified, and the Board has developed a five-year vision plan. The Priority and Action Schedule in this chapter establishes the priority in which the identified issues should be resolved over the next five years and beyond. The action plan is based on current circumstances and is subject to change based on availability of anticipated funding and the timing of any unforeseen opportunities.

### **Priorities**

The top priorities for this planning cycle include continued development of the trails system in Fall Creek Township, developing a site plan for the area of the park known as the “Hite Property,” and developing a site plan for a new use at the location of the former Babe Ruth baseball diamond and softball diamond. Additionally, other top priorities include upgrades to Brown Memorial Pool and rebuilding or remodeling the restrooms throughout Falls Park to become ADA compliant.

### **Action Plan**

An overall Action Plan for the entire parks department has been developed to show capital expenditures at each park site for the next five years. The Action Plan has then been broken down by park site to show specific action item, year of implementation, and estimated costs. If an action item is not completed within the proposed time frame, it may become a higher priority item in the next time frame.

### **Potential Partnerships**

To help support park development, it is advantageous for the Park Board to pursue partnerships with other departments within the town as well as private entities. Potential partnerships have been listed in the Action Plan.

### **Funding Source**

The funding for the items listed on the Action Plan will be primarily dependent upon the budget of the Park Board, grants, park system generated revenues, and private donations. Additional funding sources have been identified for some action items. A description of each source can be found in Chapter 8.

# PRIORITIES & ACTION PLAN

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## Action Plan

Year	Location	Action Item	Potential Partnerships	Funding Source
2015	Falls Park System	Develop wayfinding signage for the park (maps that show park amenities, trails, etc.)	Park Board	Budget
	Falls Park System	Develop a Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan for the Community and follow recommendations.	Pendleton Planning Department & Park Board	Grant
	The Falls Area	Upgrade Community Building after Park Office moves to new facility.	Park Board	Budget
	The Falls Area	Prepare site plan for area between the Community Building and the railroad tracks (old red diamond/babe ruth/maintenance barn area). Reconfigure parking, build ADA compliant restrooms, and consider adding additional shelter houses and a dog park.	Park Board	Bond
	The Falls Area	Prepare site plan for the area of the park closest to Downtown Pendleton to help connect the Falls Park to the downtown area.	Planning Department, Main Street Pendleton & Park Board	Grant
	The Sports Complex	Begin plans for East Expansion of the Sports Complex, which will support soccer fields and other athletic activities. Include a new entrance off of State Road 67 that aligns with Candlewood Drive.	Park Board & Town of Pendleton	Bond/Grant
	Brown Memorial Pool	Continue upgrades and renovations to Brown Memorial Pool (paint and repair fencing, add pool deck amenities like new chairs and umbrellas).	Park Board	Bond
	Fall Creek Golf Club	Install a Foot Golf course.	Park Board	Budget
2016	The Hite Property	Develop a site plan for an amphitheater, walking path/fitness path, and connection to Falls Park Pond along Hallowell Avenue.	Park Board	LWCF Grant
	North 40	Enclose shelter house and add concrete floor.	Park Board	Budget
	Brown Memorial Pool	Begin upgrades and renovations to the Brown Memorial Pool (add some splash pad pieces).	Park Board	Budget
	Fall Creek Golf Club	Install pond at golf course for irrigation and drainage purposes.	Park Board	Budget
2017	Conservation Building	Renovate the Conservation Building.	Park Board	Budget
	Brown Memorial Pool	Continue upgrades and renovations to Brown Memorial Pool (investigate slide repairs or replacement).	Park Board	Budget

Year	Location	Action Item	Potential Partnerships	Funding Source
2018	The Falls Area	Clean up pond area (dredge pond, repair and replace sidewalk around pond and parking lot, upgrade historic lighting).	Park Board	Budget
	Brown Memorial Pool	Continue upgrades and renovations to Brown Memorial Pool (add additional splash pad pieces if others were successful).	Park Board	Bond
2019	Falls Park System	Identify a site and develop plans for a Community Center.	Park Board & Town of Pendleton	Bond
	Brown Memorial Pool	Continue upgrades and renovations to Brown Memorial Pool (upgrade playground equipment, basketball courts, and sand volleyball courts).	Park Board	Budget

**Trails Projects**

Identified Projects
Connect Falls Park to Fall Creek Golf Club with multi-use trail.
Sidewalk/trail improvements along Huntsville Road/Fall Creek Drive east of the railroad tracks.
Walking trail around the Sports Complex.
Multi-use trail along Huntsville Road to Hickory Hills neighborhoods.
Trail system on newly acquired bicentennial property on the north side of the Sports Complex.
Improve trail on new bicentennial property north of the falls and consider improving bridge over the falls.

# PRIORITIES & ACTION PLAN

Pendleton/Fall Creek Township Parks & Recreation Master Plan 2015-2019

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# Chapter Eight- Potential Funding Opportunities

The following grants are administered by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Outdoor Recreation. These grants are available to municipalities with a legally established park board, and it is strongly recommended to have an approved five year master plan on file with IDNR-DOR. The availability of these grants may change from year to year.

### **Land and Water Conservation Fund**

The Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) is organized and administered by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Outdoor Recreation. The Land and Water Conservation Fund is a matching grant program which provides grants for 50 percent of the cost for acquisition and/or development of outdoor recreation sites and facilities. Only Boards with an approved five year master plan are eligible to apply. Items eligible for LWCF include picnic areas, parks, water oriented activities, nature centers, trails, and roads and utilities to support parks and eligible design costs.

### **Recreational Trails Program**

The Recreational Trails Program (RTP) is a matching assistance program which provides funding for the acquisition and/or development of multi-use recreational trail projects. Both motorized and non-motorized projects may qualify for assistance. The local program is administered by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources through its Division of Outdoor Recreation. The RTP funds may be used for maintenance and restoration of existing trails, development and rehabilitation of trailside and trailhead facilities and trail linkages, construction of new trails, acquisition of easements or property for trails, and other activities. The Indiana Recreational Trails Program will provide 80 percent matching, reimbursing assistance for eligible projects. Applicants may request grant amounts ranging from a minimum of \$10,000 up to a maximum of \$100,000.

### **The DNR Shooting Range Program**

The DNR Shooting Range Grant Program offers assistance for the development of rifle, handgun, shotgun, and archery facilities available to the public. Those eligible include all units of government and agencies incorporated as 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporations that are open to the public at least 20 hours per month. The intent of the program is to train the public, hunter education, and to provide additional safe places for target practice. Eligible projects include the development of backstops, target holders, field courses, classrooms, sanitary facilities, and accessible pathways. Land acquisition is not eligible for reimbursement under this program.

### **Hometown Indiana**

Although the Indiana Hometown Grant is not currently funded, monies are potentially allocated every two years by the state legislature. The program was established to assist local agencies in meeting present and future recreation needs, preserving historic sites and structures, and community forestry projects. Indiana Hometown Grant monies are available to municipal corporations and require a 50 percent match. Projects include the purchase of property for recreation, the development of recreational facilities, construction of trails, and the interpretation of natural and historic resources.

The following funding sources and grants are not administered by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Outdoor Recreation. Included are grants

#### Funding Sources Overview:

IDNR-DOR Administered Grants
- Land and Water Conservation Fund
- Recreational Trails Program
- Hometown Indiana

Local and National Grants
Lowe's Community Partners Grants
Lowe's Small Grants
Madison County Community Foundation
South Madison Community Foundation
Marsh Supermarkets
Walmart Stores Community Giving Program
IDNR Community and Urban Forestry Grants
INDOT Transportation Alternatives Program

available from local and national foundations, businesses, and organizations. This list is not all-inclusive, and the availability, criteria, and deadlines may change from year to year.

### ***Lowe's Community Partners Grants***

Lowe's Community Partners grant program helps build better communities by providing monetary assistance to nonprofit organizations and municipalities looking for support of high-need projects such as: building renovations/upgrades, grounds improvements, technology upgrades as well as safety improvements. Grants range from \$5,000 to \$100,000, with most projects falling between \$10,000 and \$25,000. Applicants are encouraged to speak to their local store manager if interested in applying.

### ***Lowe's Small Grants***

The Lowe's Small Grants program is an outlet for organizations seeking smaller-scale assistance for non-educational focused projects. These grants range from \$100 to \$2,000. Project requests must fit within the Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation guidelines. To apply, email a project description and budget outline to [community@lowes.com](mailto:community@lowes.com) with "Small Grant Request" in the subject line.

### ***Madison County Community Foundation***

The Madison County Community Foundation offers a Foundation Grant, which supports projects and programs of non-profit agencies located in or serving residents of Madison County. Grants are typically made for one year, at a maximum of \$10,000. Proposals are reviewed by a Grant Review Committee, which makes funding recommendations to the Foundation Board of Directors. Upon approval by the Board of Directors, funds are awarded and paid on a reimbursement basis. Proposals are accepted twice a year, one in the Spring and again in the Fall.

### ***South Madison Community Foundation***

The South Madison Community Foundation (SMCF) offers Open Hearts Open Purses, a women's giving circle. Each year, a local organization is awarded \$10,000 through a competitive grant process that includes a personal presentation to the members of the group at their June awards ceremony. Smaller awards are given to finalists not chosen as the winner. The project must benefit the residents of Adams, Fall Creek, Green, and Stony Creek Townships. Applications are typically due on or around May 1.

### ***Marsh Supermarkets***

Marsh Supermarkets accepts requests for donations under \$1,000 and for major sponsorships for \$1,000 or more for community events. All requests should be directed to their Community Relations Departments.

### ***Walmart Stores Community Giving Program***

The Walmart Foundation provides \$250-\$2,500 grants to community projects addressing hunger relief and healthy eating, sustainability, women's economic empowerment, or career opportunities within Walmart Communities. Government entities are eligible for funding. For more information visit the Walmart website.

### ***IDNR Community and Urban Forestry Grants***

The Community and Urban Forestry Program of the Division of Forestry of the Indiana Department of Natural Resources offers a variety of federal and corporate grants for urban forestry projects on public property. The dates for these grants and projects funded are dependent on type and levels of funding. For more information about funding for urban forestry projects, visit the IDNR's webpage.

*INDOT Transportation Alternatives Program*

The Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) authorized under Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) legislation provides funding for programs and projects defined as transportation alternatives, including on- and off-road pedestrian and bicycle facilities, infrastructure projects for improving non-driver access to public transportation and enhanced mobility, community improvement activities, and environmental mitigation; recreational trail program projects; safe routes to school projects; and projects for the planning, design or construction of boulevards and other roadways largely in the right-of-way of former Interstate System routes or other divided highways. Program details are not yet available.

# POTENTIAL FUNDING

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## Chapter Nine- Plan Evaluation and Updates

On a yearly basis, it is recommended that the Parks and Recreation Board review and evaluate progress that has been made on the Parks and Recreation Plan. This is necessary to help the Parks and Recreation Board maintain the ability to provide quality services and facilities. A periodic review of the master plan and the consideration of continual public input will help determine where to focus efforts and help to determine future projects.

Sometimes, there are unforeseen circumstances that may change the priorities of the five year planning period. If this happens, a plan amendment may be submitted to the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Outdoor Recreation (IDNR, DOR). Formal amendments to the plan are only required if they involve projects proposed in grant applications requiring a five year plan. These amendments must be approved in writing by IDNR, DOR planning staff. Plan amendments will not extend the five-year eligibility of the master plan. Plan amendments submitted to IDNR, DOR for the purpose of adding or modifying a community's future grant project must be submitted and approved by IDNR, DOR staff prior to the grant program's application deadline. To amend the master plan, the following items must be submitted to IDNR, DOR:

1. A brief explanation of the reason(s) for the amendment.
2. Documentation of the public input which went into the amendment process.
3. The new plan pages, containing any changes or additions.
4. A resolution passed by the parks board adopting the plan as amended. This will make the revised plan an official document of the parks and recreation board.

This Parks and Recreation Plan prepared for the Pendleton/Fall Creek Township Parks and Recreation Board is current for the years 2015-2019. To remain eligible for grants through IDNR, DOR after 2017, the Parks Board must prepare an update and submit a draft to IDNR, DOR by January 15th, 2020 and a final draft by April 15th, 2020.

# PLAN EVALUATION & UPDATES

Pendleton/Fall Creek Township Parks & Recreation Master Plan 2015-2019

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**Appendix A - Park Board Ordinance**

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§ 94.17 FISHING; USE OF SWIMMING POOL OR BATHHOUSE.

No person shall violate any rule established by the Park and Recreation Board concerning fishing or the use of the swimming pool or bathhouse located within the town parks.  
('82 Code, § 36-10-3-10(b)) (Ord. P-1974-1, passed 7-2-74) Penalty, see § 94.99

§ 94.18 NO PARKING IN CERTAIN AREAS.

(A) All parking is banned on all of Falls Park Drive. No-parking signs are erected in the area, and no-parking signs have been painted on said Falls Park Drive.

(B) The Police Department is given the authority to tow in cars which are parked in this area, and fines are established for individuals who do park their motor vehicles in the area.  
(Res. passed 2-19-86) Penalty, see § 94.99

§ 94.19 USE OF BASIN AREA AS SWIMMING POOL IN FALLS PARK PROHIBITED.

(A) Definition. For purposes of this section, "POOL" shall refer to and mean the open water area made by enlarging the basin at the base of the Falls.

(B) All use of the pool and pond area in Falls Park in the corporate limits of the town is hereby prohibited until such time as it is determined that the water and premises thereof is safe to use for any purpose by both the State Board of Health and the Town Park and Recreation Board.

(C) All use of the contiguous land surrounding said pool area is prohibited when used for access to the pond or the pool for swimming, wading, boating, or rafting. Any person found using said pond or pool area for such purposes, shall be deemed to have obtained access by crossing the prohibited area, and shall be deemed to be a trespasser. Any use for fishing is hereby excepted.  
(Ord. P-1974-2, passed 7-2-74) Penalty, see § 94.99

§ 94.20 LOITERING.

(A) For the purpose of this section the following definition shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

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"LOITER." Idle, stand, tarry, remain, all whether alone or with others; and as to parking lots and park grounds and ways, loitering shall include being situated in or upon a motor vehicle.

(B) It shall be unlawful for any person to do any of the following acts:

(1) Park building. Loiter in or around park buildings or obstruct corridors, rooms, or stairways thereof so as to prevent free access or use by members of the public, its officers, agents, or employees.

(2) Park grounds and ways. Loiter in or on park grounds, ways, sidewalks, streets, or the like so as to obstruct, interfere with, or impede free use by other members of the public lawfully entitled to use the same, after the loiterer is directed to remove himself from the place by either a police officer, or by a party in charge thereof, or his agent or employee.

(3) Alcoholic beverages. Consume alcoholic beverages in or around any park grounds, ways, sidewalks, streets, parking lots, or the like. Penalty, see § 94.99

§ 94.21 SKATEBOARDING PROHIBITED IN THE PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT; EXCEPTION; ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.

(A) Skateboarding is and shall be prohibited in all areas of the park except the area designated as an extreme sport area and only in such area at such times as posted.

(B) This section shall be enforced by the Pendleton Police Department.

(Ord. 2005-05, passed 8-1-05) Penalty, see § 94.99

§ 94.22 USE OF PARK PROPERTY RESTRICTED.

(A) The use of the Nature Preserve, located in the area commonly known as the North Forty, be prohibited between dusk and dawn.

(B) Exceptions to division (A) of this section shall be honored only when presented in writing from the Park Board and/or the Park Superintendent.

(Ord. 1997-07, passed 5-13-97)

§ 94.23 DOGS IN PARK DURING FESTIVALS PROHIBITED.

(A) Except as set forth in division (C) below, no dogs shall be allowed on any park grounds during times when festivals are being held on park grounds.

(B) For purposes of this section, the term "festivals" shall include the June Jamboree, the Heritage Fair, the Arts and Jazz Festival, and any other large gathering on park grounds that is designated as a festival for purposes of this section by the Town

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Council prior to the beginning of such large gathering on park grounds. If the Park Board believes a gathering other than those specifically mentioned above should be designated as a festival for purposes of this section, the Park Board shall request such designation be made by sending the Town Council a written request for designation.

(C) Division (A) shall not prohibit dogs that assist disabled people or police dogs from being on park grounds during festivals.

(D) The Park Superintendent shall post conspicuous signs in Falls Park during festivals that place the public on notice of the prohibition set forth in this section.

(E) A person violating this section shall be fined \$50. Each occurrence constitutes a separate offense.  
(Ord. 2000-05, passed 9-7-00)

## ADMINISTRATION

§ 94.30 PARK AND RECREATION BOARD.

(A) A Park and Recreation Board is hereby created and shall consist of four members appointed by the President of the Town Board of Trustees on the basis of their interest in and knowledge of parks and recreation. No more than two members shall be of the same political party.

(1) Upon establishment of the Board, the terms of the members initially appointed shall be: one member for a term of one year; one member for a term of two years; one member for a term of three years; and one member for a term of four years. As a term expires, each new appointment shall be for a four-year term. All terms expire on the first Monday in January, but a member shall continue in office until his successor is appointed.

(2) There shall be one ex officio member who is a member of the governing body of and appointed by the Board of School Trustees.

(3) There shall be one ex officio member who is a member of the governing body of and appointed by the Library District Board.

(4) There shall be one member who is appointed by the Circuit Court Judge due to the addition of the unincorporated area to the Park District. (See IC 36-10-3-36.)

(B) The Library District and School Boards shall fill any vacancies of their ex officio members. Ex officio Board members have all the rights of regular members, including the right to vote.  
(Ord. 1983-10, passed 8-29-83) Penalty, see § 94.99

Statutory reference:

Park and Recreation Boards, see IC 36-10-3-4

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§ 94.99 PENALTY.

(A) Any person violating any provision of this chapter for which no specific penalty is otherwise provided shall be fined not more than \$500.

('82 Code, § 36-10-3-10(d)) (Ord. P-1974-1, passed 7-2-74)

(B) Any person who violates any provision of § 94.21 shall be subject to a fine or penalty of not less than \$25 nor more than \$500. Each occurrence constitutes a separate offense.

(Ord. 1989-4, passed 3-21-89; Am. Ord. 2005-05, passed 8-1-05)



**Appendix B - Facility Inventory Forms**

FACILITY GENERAL INFORMATION			
Site code		Name of site Falls Park	
Address (number and street, city, state, and ZIP code) 229 Falls Park Drive, Pendleton, IN 46064			
Primary telephone number ( 765 ) 778-2222	Primary e-mail address fallspark@comcast.net		Site URL fallspark.org
Name of owner Pendleton/Fall Creek Township Parks and Rec Board		Name of manager Pendleton/Fall Creek Township Parks and Rec Board	
Type of facility: (Please check one)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Park / Recreation Area	<input type="checkbox"/> Forest	<input type="checkbox"/> Historic / Cultural Site	
<input type="checkbox"/> Dedicated Nature Preserve	<input type="checkbox"/> Reservoir	<input type="checkbox"/> Trail	
<input type="checkbox"/> Fishing / Boating Access Site	<input type="checkbox"/> Camping / Trailer Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Pool	<input type="checkbox"/> Fish & Wildlife Area		
Type of area: (Please check one)			
<input type="checkbox"/> County	<input type="checkbox"/> Federal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Municipal	
<input type="checkbox"/> Public	<input type="checkbox"/> State	<input type="checkbox"/> Township	
Time Open: <input type="checkbox"/> Seasonal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Year-round			
Total acres	Land acres	Water acres 8	Wetlands acres 47

PICNIC AND PLAYGROUND AREAS	
Is there a Picnic Area on this site?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Is there a Playground on this site?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

ATHLETIC AREAS		
Site code		
<i>Please record "Number of" each of the following:</i>		
AMENITY	CHECK IF THIS SITE HAS AT LEAST ONE (1) OF THE FOLLOWING	MULTI-USE (check, if applicable)
Disc Golf	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 Disc Golf Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dog Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Skateboard Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Fields</b>		
Baseball / Softball Fields	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 9 Baseball/Softball Fields	<input type="checkbox"/>
Soccer Fields	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Football Fields	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 Football Fields	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Courts</b>		
Basketball	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 Basketball Courts	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tennis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Notes:		

## CAMPING OR LODGING FACILITIES

Is there a Campground on this site?  Yes  No

## GOLF FACILITIES

Is there a Public Golf Course on this site?  Yes  No

## SHOOTING OR ARCHERY FACILITIES

Is there a Public Shooting Range on this site?  Yes  No

Is there a Public Archery Range on this site?  Yes  No

## WINTER ACTIVITIES

Is this site open for any Winter Activity use?  Yes  No

## TRAILS

Are there any Trails located on this site?  Yes  No

If Yes, please contact Indiana Department of Natural Resources - Outdoor Recreation for addition to Trails Inventory.

## WATER

Is there a Pool on this site?  Yes  No

Is there a Splash Pad, Water Park, or other Water Feature?  Yes  No

Is there a Pond, Lake, River, or Creek on this site with public access?  Yes  No

Notes:

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FACILITY GENERAL INFORMATION			
Site code		Name of site Fall Creek Golf Club	
Address (number and street, city, state, and ZIP code) 250 Reformatory Road			
Primary telephone number ( 765 ) 778-8071	Primary e-mail address fallspark@comcast.net		Site URL fallspark.org
Name of owner Pendleton/Fall Creek Township Parks and Rec Board		Name of manager Pendleton/Fall Creek Township Parks and Rec Board	
Type of facility: (Please check one)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Park / Recreation Area	<input type="checkbox"/> Forest	<input type="checkbox"/> Historic / Cultural Site	
<input type="checkbox"/> Dedicated Nature Preserve	<input type="checkbox"/> Reservoir	<input type="checkbox"/> Trail	
<input type="checkbox"/> Fishing / Boating Access Site	<input type="checkbox"/> Camping / Trailer Park	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Golf Course</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Pool	<input type="checkbox"/> Fish & Wildlife Area		
Type of area: (Please check one)			
<input type="checkbox"/> County	<input type="checkbox"/> Federal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Municipal	
<input type="checkbox"/> Public	<input type="checkbox"/> State	<input type="checkbox"/> Township	
Time Open: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Seasonal <input type="checkbox"/> Year-round			
Total acres	Land acres	Water acres	Wetlands acres

PICNIC AND PLAYGROUND AREAS	
Is there a Picnic Area on this site?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Is there a Playground on this site?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

ATHLETIC AREAS		
Site code		
Please record "Number of" each of the following:		
AMENITY	CHECK IF THIS SITE HAS AT LEAST ONE (1) OF THE FOLLOWING	MULTI-USE (check, if applicable)
Disc Golf	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dog Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Skateboard Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Fields</b>		
Baseball / Softball Fields	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Soccer Fields	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Football Fields	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Courts</b>		
Basketball	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tennis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Notes:		

## CAMPING OR LODGING FACILITIES

Is there a Campground on this site?     Yes     No

## GOLF FACILITIES

Is there a Public Golf Course on this site?     Yes     No

## SHOOTING OR ARCHERY FACILITIES

Is there a Public Shooting Range on this site?     Yes     No

Is there a Public Archery Range on this site?     Yes     No

## WINTER ACTIVITIES

Is this site open for any Winter Activity use?     Yes     No

## TRAILS

Are there any Trails located on this site?     Yes     No

If Yes, please contact Indiana Department of Natural Resources - Outdoor Recreation for addition to Trails Inventory.

## WATER

Is there a Pool on this site?     Yes     No

Is there a Splash Pad, Water Park, or other Water Feature?     Yes     No

Is there a Pond, Lake, River, or Creek on this site with public access?     Yes     No

Notes:

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Appendix C - Newspaper Articles and Advertising



**SPEED RACER**  
Pendleton sixth-grader pedals past record competition.  
**SEE PAGE A5**

**FALL IN PENDLETON**  
Check out our events previews for both annual events in town: Heritage Fair and Fall Festival. **SEE SPECIAL SECTION**



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**Madison County jail logs, bookings**

**Pendleton**  
See PPD daily logs and a listing of jail bookings

## Park Board seeks public wish list

Steering committee invites residents to weigh in with survey, fresh ideas

By **AMANDA MATLOCK**  
amandamatlock@ptlpnews.com

**PENDLETON** - The town is continuing to work on a new five-year park and recreation master plan, and officials said the next step in the update process involves gathering public comment.  
Pendleton's Planning and

Zoning Coordinator Rachel Christensen, who is also a member of the park plan steering committee, said planning "is going very well" but that now the group needs ideas from residents.

"We've recently completed an accessibility inventory of the park, but now we're ready for some public input,"

Christensen said. She said the accessibility study involved "a complete inventory" of all park properties.

"Overall, everything was in pretty good shape," Christensen said. "There are some minor things that need addressed at the older facilities, but it's nothing major."

She said the Sports Complex was one area where no updates would be required, but that the

steering committee would be recommending to the park board small changes, such as countertop height and bathroom accessibility, at some of the older structures in the park.

She added that the group has met a few times to discuss possible future projects, but now turns to the public.

"We're inviting everyone to take an online survey, which is posted at [www.fallspark.org](http://www.fallspark.org)," Christensen said. "We would really like to see what

kinds of things residents want from the park."

She said that group is looking for "fresh ideas."

"We're kind of at the point where a lot of the things in the old plan are getting accomplished," Christensen said.

She said the group would like input on the park board's recently acquired golf course, wanted additions, perceived needs and possible projects.

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"We need some additional ideas on what people are interested in so we can start putting together plans on projects that will be done in the next seven to five years," Christensen said. "We've heard everything from dog parks to soccer fields. There are no wrong or bad ideas, we just want to hear what everyone wants so we know what to build."

Online surveys will be accepted through the end of October. She said those without Internet access can always call the town all at (765) 778-2173 with their ideas.

Christensen also added that the group is forging formal public meetings and instead using more face to face contact.

"We're setting up booths at events around town, so we can discuss the park directly with residents," Christensen said.

"We'll have a booth at the Heritage Fair," Christensen said. "We'll also have one at the Farmer's Market on Sept.

20 and one at the golf course on Oct. 1."

She said the next step would be discussing ideas with the park board.

"After we gather all this information at the booths and through the survey, the steering committee will then develop a list of action items," Christensen said. "We'll prioritize those and submit them to the park board. They will have the final say is what gets done."

She said the park board could vote on possible changes and updates to the five-year plan as soon as November.



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## Park Board in final stages of master plan

### Pendleton hopes for final DNR approval this spring

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PENDLETON - Falls Park soon will have a new five-year master plan on file, and officials hope the final draft will get the seal of approval from the Department of Natural Resources this spring.

Pendleton Planning and Zoning Coordinator Rachel Christenson, who is on the five-year master plan steering committee, said a rough draft of the plan has been submitted to the state after nearly a year of planning.  
 "We started this project in May of last year," Christenson

said. "Things have been going really well, actually. The steering committee met monthly (until December), and we've already held our public input survey."  
 Christenson said the town received more than 200 responses to the survey and that those responses helped lay the

### Upcoming

■ A final presentation of the five-year plan is set for the Park Board meeting at 6 p.m. March 18

groundwork for the five-year plan.  
 "There was a huge focus on trails, from building more to

doing more maintenance on the existing trails," Christenson said. "People also talked about additional signage for trails. There was a lot of talk about a dog park as well."  
 She said people were also interested in a splash park.  
 "For the most part, those ideas all made it into the master plan," Christenson said.

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"Later down the road, we can use some of those ideas to put some space to better use."  
 The group is also working with the Ball State University landscape architecture department in hopes of working with a student for a large project.  
 "It would be a great place to get some ideas,"

Christenson said. "We're in the process of getting that worked out."  
 She said the rough draft was submitted to the DNR on Jan. 15 and that the group is expecting "feedback" in the next few weeks.  
 "At this point, it's kind of like the halfway point for the project," Christenson said. "In April we'll submit the final draft."  
 She said a final presentation of the five-year plan is set for the Park Board meeting at 6 p.m. March 18.

## Appendix D - Meeting Sign-in Sheets



**Park Board Meeting**  
**Wednesday, March 18, 2015**

**SIGN-IN**

Name	Topic of Discussion
Please write legibly	
Chad Wolfe	
Dick Cregar	
Chet W. Babler	
Tim RICHARD	
Tim McClintock	
<del>Steve Carson</del>	
Jessica Smith	
Susan Markle	
MICHAEL WAGERS	
Rachel Christenson	
Adam Christenson	
Tanya Weston	
SCOTT REAGAN	
George Koutitt	
Lizbeth Payne	
Shari Mahler	
Kim BARNHART	
Bob Lauer	
Elizabeth Childress	
Annie Wills	
Debbie Rockswold	
Linda Bennett	

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## Appendix E - Public Input Survey

# 2014 Pendleton/Fall Creek Township Parks and Recreation Survey

The Pendleton/Fall Creek Parks and Recreation Board is updating its five year master plan, which will be submitted to the Indiana Department of Recreation (IDNR) and allow the Park Board to be eligible for certain state and federal grants. Based on your input, the Park Board will formulate goals and objectives that will be used to guide the development of existing and future park facilities in Pendleton and Fall Creek Township. Your participation in this part of the planning process is very important for the success of the master plan. Please take a few moments to complete the following survey.

\* Required

What is your gender? \*

- Male
- Female

What is your age? \*

- 17 or under
- 18 - 20
- 21 - 29
- 30-45
- 46 - 55
- 56 - 65
- 66 or older

In which township do you reside? \*

- Fall Creek Township (Pendleton, Huntsville)
- Green Township (Ingalls, Summerlake)
- Adams Township (Markleville)
- Don't know / Other
- I don't live in Madison County

**Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months: \***

(please check all that apply)

	12+ times per year	6 times per year	3 times per year	1 time per year	Never
Community Building	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Playground	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fishing Areas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
History Museum	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Memorials	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The Falls	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Gazebo	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Picnic Shelters	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Conservation Building	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Disc Golf Course	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Baseball/Softball Fields	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Football Fields	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Trails	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Natural Areas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The Red Barn	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Swimming Pool	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Volleyball Courts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Basketball Courts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Community Garden	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Golf Course	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**How would you rate the quality of each park site in the Falls Park and Recreation System? \***

	Excellent Quality	Good Quality	Fair Quality	Poor Quality	Don't Know
The Falls (including the falls, playground, gazebo, pond, museum, basketball court, horseshoe pits, softball diamond, and community building)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The Sports Complex	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The North Entrance and Trails (including the barn, shelter house, and pond)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Alvin D. Brown Memorial Pool (includes playground, basketball court, sand volleyball courts, and community garden)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The Conservation Building	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fall Creek Golf Course	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**What would encourage you or members of your household to use the Falls Park and Recreation System facilities more often? \***

(please check all that apply)

- Better park security.
- Facilities having better equipment.
- More convenient hours at the pool.
- Less expensive fees at the pool.
- Better customer service.
- More park sites closer to my home.
- Facilities being better maintained.
- Having higher-quality programs.
- More shade and trees.
- Less restrictive park rules.
- Better communication to public about activities and events.
- Newer facilities.
- Better parking options.
- Other:

**How interested are you or members of your household in the parks and recreation facilities listed below? \***

	Very Interested	Interested	Somewhat Interested	Not Interested at All
Off-leash dog parks	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Boating and fishing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Golf courses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Outdoor amphitheater	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Soccer fields	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Baseball and softball fields	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Football fields	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Outdoor pool and aquatic area	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sprayground/spray parks	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Playground equipment and play areas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Park shelters and picnic areas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ice skating	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Outdoor basketball courts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mountain bike trails	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Walking and biking trails	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Equestrian Trails	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Nature interpretive center	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Nature trails	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Outdoor tennis courts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Outdoor volleyball courts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Indoor shelters/meeting space	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Indoor swimming pool	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Indoor fitness and exercise facility	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Outdoor running/walking track	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Skateboard park/bike park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sledding hills and cross-country skiing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? \*

	Very Interested	Interested	Somewhat Interested	Not Interested at All
Youth swim programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Adult swim programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Pre-school programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Before and after school programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Youth/teen summer camp programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Youth/teen fitness and wellness programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Youth/teen art, dance, and performing arts programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Martial arts programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Adult fitness and wellness programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Water fitness programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Tennis lessons, clinics, and leagues	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Adult art, dance, and performing arts programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Adult sports programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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Programs for people with disabilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Gymnastics and tumbling programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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Special events/festivals	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Nature education programs/Outdoor adventure	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Education/Life skills programs such as cooking, budgeting, carpentry	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Travel programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
At-risk programs for youth	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**How would you like the Pendleton/Fall Creek Parks and Recreation Board to pay for new park amenities? \***

(please check all that apply)

- Use existing budget
- Out-of-town/township user-fees
- Grants
- Higher property taxes
- Donations

**Currently, only residents in Fall Creek Township and the Town of Pendleton pay taxes to support Falls Park and the Fall Creek Golf Course. Would you be supportive of the residents of Green and Adams Townships paying the same type of tax? \***

- Yes
- No

**What are your preferred methods of communication for park activities and announcements? \***

(please check all that apply)

- Falls Park website
- Newspaper articles
- From friends and neighbors
- School flyers/newsletter
- Conversations with Park Staff
- Facebook
- Posters displayed around town
- Twitter
- Instagram
- E-newsletters
- Yearly activity guide
- Other:

**Please rate your satisfaction with the overall value your household receives from the Falls Park and Recreation Department. \***

- Very Satisfied
- Somewhat Satisfied
- Somewhat Dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied

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Thank you for your time and participation. Please feel free to leave additional comments in the space below.

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Appendix F - Public Input Survey Results

228 responses

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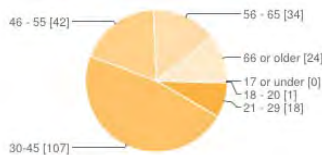
Summary

What is your gender?



Male	86	38%
Female	140	61%

What is your age?



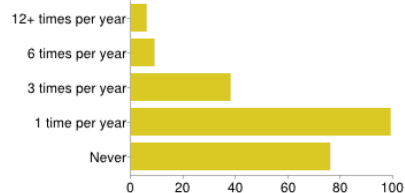
17 or under	0	0%
18 - 20	1	0%
21 - 29	18	8%
30-45	107	47%
46 - 55	42	18%
56 - 65	34	15%
66 or older	24	11%

In which township do you reside?



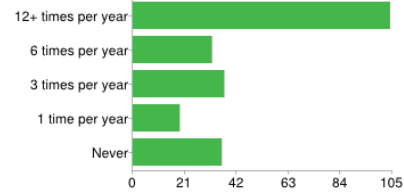
Fall Creek Township (Pendleton, Huntsville)	183	80%
Green Township (Ingalls, Summerlake)	21	9%
Adams Township (Markleville)	5	2%
Don't know / Other	7	3%
I don't live in Madison County	10	4%

Community Building [Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months:]



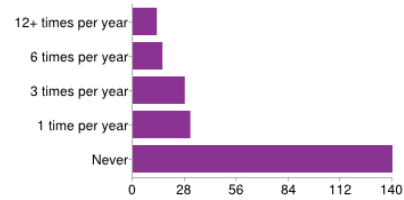
12+ times per year	6	3%
6 times per year	9	4%
3 times per year	38	17%
1 time per year	99	43%
Never	76	33%

Playground [Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months:]



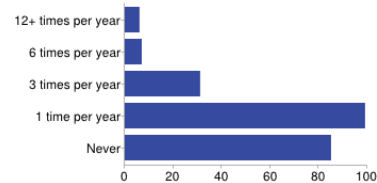
12+ times per year	104	46%
6 times per year	32	14%
3 times per year	37	16%
1 time per year	19	8%
Never	36	16%

Fishing Areas [Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months:]



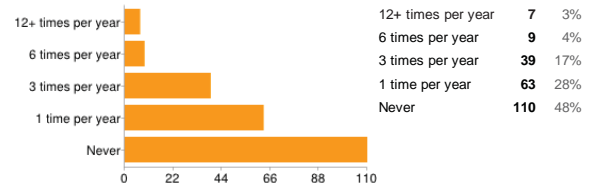
12+ times per year	13	6%
6 times per year	16	7%
3 times per year	28	12%
1 time per year	31	14%
Never	140	61%

History Museum [Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months:]



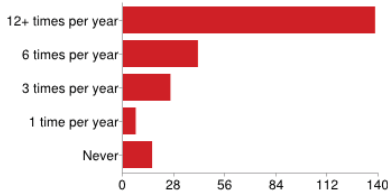
12+ times per year	6	3%
6 times per year	7	3%
3 times per year	31	14%
1 time per year	99	43%
Never	85	37%

Memorials [Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months:]



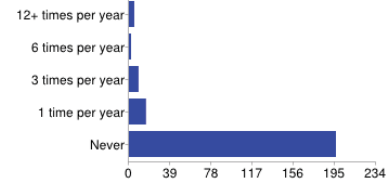
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## The Falls [Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months:]



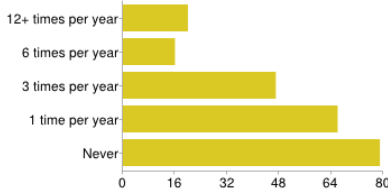
12+ times per year	138	61%
6 times per year	41	18%
3 times per year	26	11%
1 time per year	7	3%
Never	16	7%

## Disc Golf Course [Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months:]



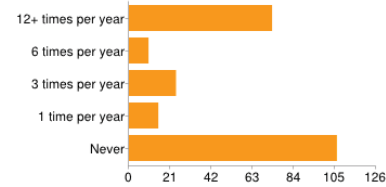
12+ times per year	5	2%
6 times per year	2	1%
3 times per year	9	4%
1 time per year	16	7%
Never	196	86%

## Gazebo [Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months:]



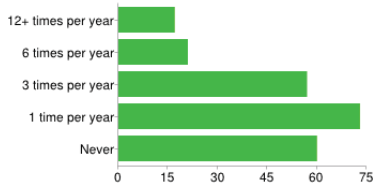
12+ times per year	20	9%
6 times per year	16	7%
3 times per year	47	21%
1 time per year	66	29%
Never	79	35%

## Baseball/Softball Fields [Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months:]



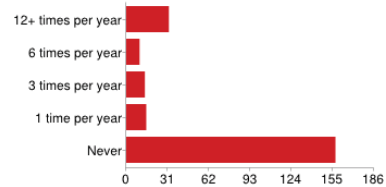
12+ times per year	73	32%
6 times per year	10	4%
3 times per year	24	11%
1 time per year	15	7%
Never	106	46%

## Picnic Shelters [Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months:]



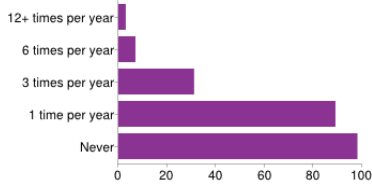
12+ times per year	17	7%
6 times per year	21	9%
3 times per year	57	25%
1 time per year	73	32%
Never	60	26%

## Football Fields [Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months:]



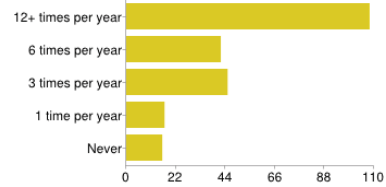
12+ times per year	32	14%
6 times per year	10	4%
3 times per year	14	6%
1 time per year	15	7%
Never	157	69%

## Conservation Building [Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months:]



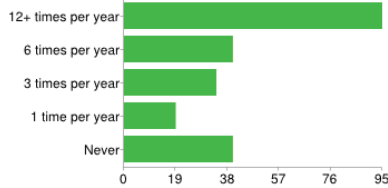
12+ times per year	3	1%
6 times per year	7	3%
3 times per year	31	14%
1 time per year	89	39%
Never	98	43%

## Trails [Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months:]



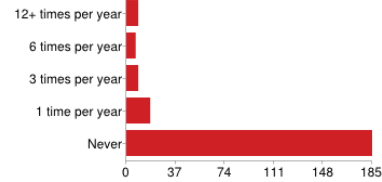
12+ times per year	108	47%
6 times per year	42	18%
3 times per year	45	20%
1 time per year	17	7%
Never	16	7%

**Natural Areas** [Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months:]



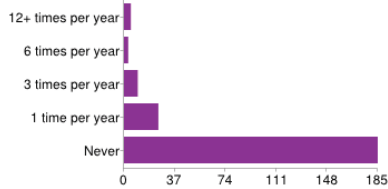
12+ times per year	95	42%
6 times per year	40	18%
3 times per year	34	15%
1 time per year	19	8%
Never	40	18%

**Basketball Courts** [Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months:]



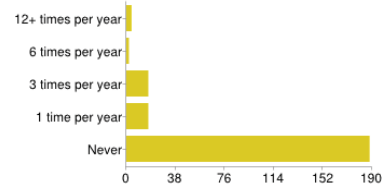
12+ times per year	9	4%
6 times per year	7	3%
3 times per year	9	4%
1 time per year	18	8%
Never	185	81%

**The Red Barn** [Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months:]



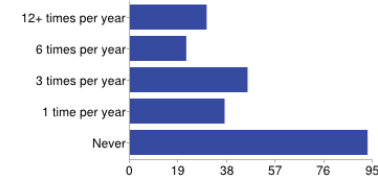
12+ times per year	5	2%
6 times per year	3	1%
3 times per year	10	4%
1 time per year	25	11%
Never	185	81%

**Community Garden** [Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months:]



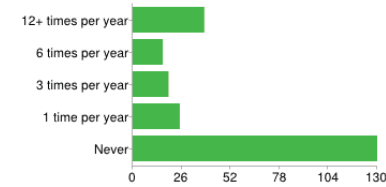
12+ times per year	4	2%
6 times per year	2	1%
3 times per year	17	7%
1 time per year	17	7%
Never	188	82%

**Swimming Pool** [Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months:]



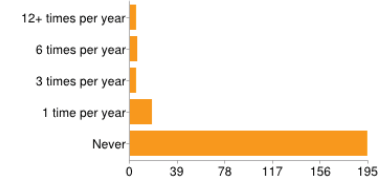
12+ times per year	30	13%
6 times per year	22	10%
3 times per year	46	20%
1 time per year	37	16%
Never	93	41%

**Golf Course** [Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months:]



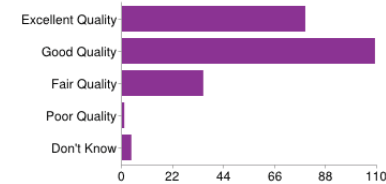
12+ times per year	38	17%
6 times per year	16	7%
3 times per year	19	8%
1 time per year	25	11%
Never	130	57%

**Volleyball Courts** [Please indicate how often you or your household used the following Falls Park facilities in the past 12 months:]



12+ times per year	5	2%
6 times per year	6	3%
3 times per year	5	2%
1 time per year	18	8%
Never	194	85%

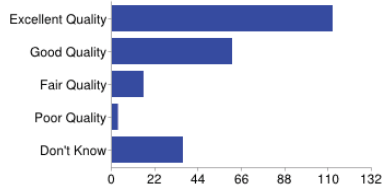
**The Falls (including the falls, playground, gazebo, pond, museum, basketball court, horseshoe pits, softball diamond, and community building)** [How would you rate the quality of each park site in the Falls Park and Recreation System?]



Excellent Quality	79	35%
Good Quality	109	48%
Fair Quality	35	15%
Poor Quality	1	0%
Don't Know	4	2%

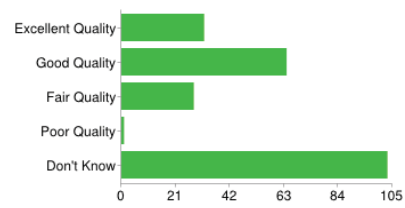
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## The Sports Complex [How would you rate the quality of each park site in the Falls Park and Recreation System?]



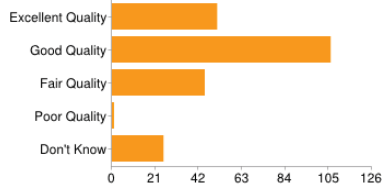
Excellent Quality	112	49%
Good Quality	61	27%
Fair Quality	16	7%
Poor Quality	3	1%
Don't Know	36	16%

## Fall Creek Golf Course [How would you rate the quality of each park site in the Falls Park and Recreation System?]



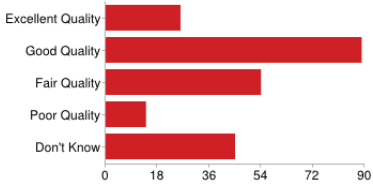
Excellent Quality	32	14%
Good Quality	64	28%
Fair Quality	28	12%
Poor Quality	1	0%
Don't Know	103	45%

## The North Entrance and Trails (including the barn, shelter house, and pond) [How would you rate the quality of each park site in the Falls Park and Recreation System?]



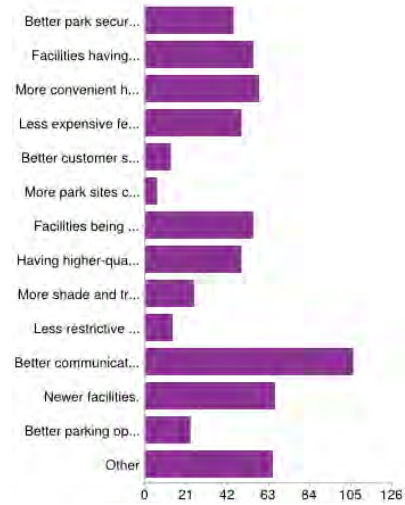
Excellent Quality	51	22%
Good Quality	106	46%
Fair Quality	45	20%
Poor Quality	1	0%
Don't Know	25	11%

## Alvin D. Brown Memorial Pool (includes playground, basketball court, sand volleyball courts, and community garden) [How would you rate the quality of each park site in the Falls Park and Recreation System?]



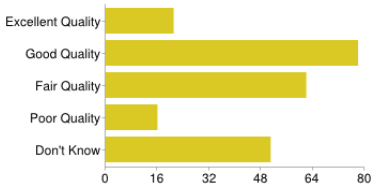
Excellent Quality	26	11%
Good Quality	89	39%
Fair Quality	54	24%
Poor Quality	14	6%
Don't Know	45	20%

## What would encourage you or members of your household to use the Falls Park and Recreation System facilities more often?



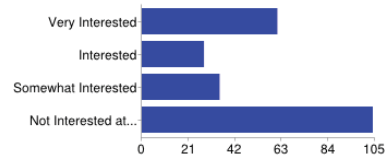
Better park security.	45	20%
Facilities having better equipment.	55	24%
More convenient hours at the pool.	58	25%
Less expensive fees at the pool.	49	21%
Better customer service.	13	6%
More park sites closer to my home.	6	3%
Facilities being better maintained.	55	24%
Having higher-quality programs.	49	21%
More shade and trees.	25	11%
Less restrictive park rules.	14	6%
Better communication to public about activities and events.	106	46%
Newer facilities.	66	29%
Better parking options.	23	10%
Other	65	29%

## The Conservation Building [How would you rate the quality of each park site in the Falls Park and Recreation System?]



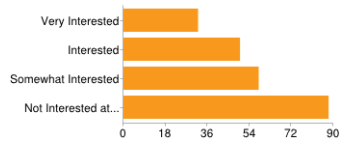
Excellent Quality	21	9%
Good Quality	78	34%
Fair Quality	62	27%
Poor Quality	16	7%
Don't Know	51	22%

## Off-leash dog parks [How interested are you or members of your household in the parks and recreation facilities listed below?]



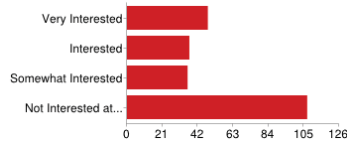
Very Interested	61	27%
Interested	28	12%
Somewhat Interested	35	15%
Not Interested at All	104	46%

**Boating and fishing [How interested are you or members of your household in the parks and recreation facilities listed below? ]**



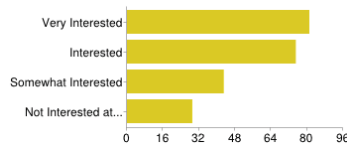
Very Interested	32	14%
Interested	50	22%
Somewhat Interested	58	25%
Not Interested at All	88	39%

**Golf courses [How interested are you or members of your household in the parks and recreation facilities listed below? ]**



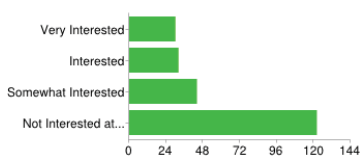
Very Interested	48	21%
Interested	37	16%
Somewhat Interested	36	16%
Not Interested at All	107	47%

**Outdoor amphitheater [How interested are you or members of your household in the parks and recreation facilities listed below? ]**



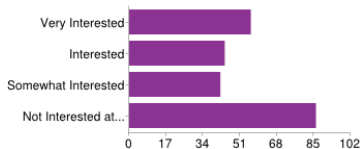
Very Interested	81	36%
Interested	75	33%
Somewhat Interested	43	19%
Not Interested at All	29	13%

**Soccer fields [How interested are you or members of your household in the parks and recreation facilities listed below? ]**



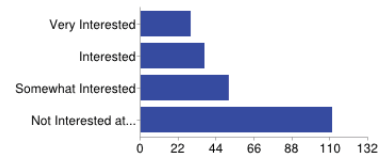
Very Interested	30	13%
Interested	32	14%
Somewhat Interested	44	19%
Not Interested at All	122	54%

**Baseball and softball fields [How interested are you or members of your household in the parks and recreation facilities listed below? ]**



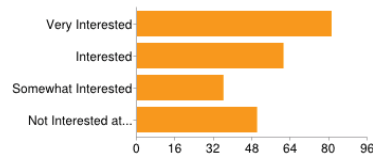
Very Interested	56	25%
Interested	44	19%
Somewhat Interested	42	18%
Not Interested at All	86	38%

**Football fields [How interested are you or members of your household in the parks and recreation facilities listed below? ]**



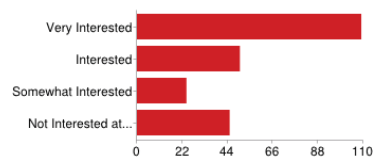
Very Interested	29	13%
Interested	37	16%
Somewhat Interested	51	22%
Not Interested at All	111	49%

**Outdoor pool and aquatic area [How interested are you or members of your household in the parks and recreation facilities listed below? ]**



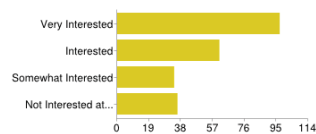
Very Interested	81	36%
Interested	61	27%
Somewhat Interested	36	16%
Not Interested at All	50	22%

**Sprayground/spray parks [How interested are you or members of your household in the parks and recreation facilities listed below? ]**



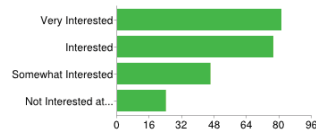
Very Interested	109	48%
Interested	50	22%
Somewhat Interested	24	11%
Not Interested at All	45	20%

**Playground equipment and play areas [How interested are you or members of your household in the parks and recreation facilities listed below? ]**



Very Interested	97	43%
Interested	61	27%
Somewhat Interested	34	15%
Not Interested at All	36	16%

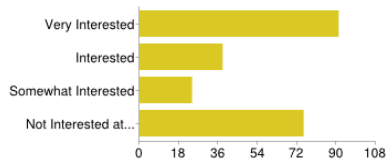
**Park shelters and picnic areas [How interested are you or members of your household in the parks and recreation facilities listed below? ]**



Very Interested	81	36%
Interested	77	34%
Somewhat Interested	46	20%
Not Interested at All	24	11%

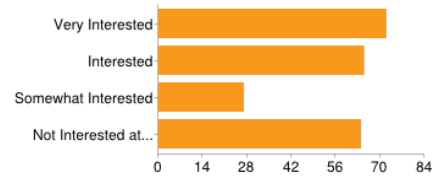
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## Indoor swimming pool [How interested are you or members of your household in the parks and recreation facilities listed below? ]



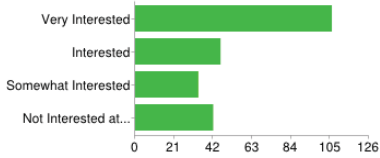
Very Interested	91	40%
Interested	38	17%
Somewhat Interested	24	11%
Not Interested at All	75	33%

## Sledding hills and cross-country skiing [How interested are you or members of your household in the parks and recreation facilities listed below? ]



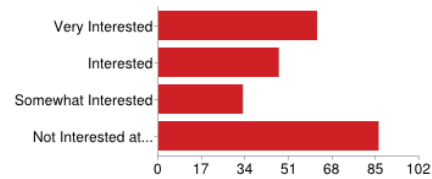
Very Interested	72	32%
Interested	65	29%
Somewhat Interested	27	12%
Not Interested at All	64	28%

## Indoor fitness and exercise facility [How interested are you or members of your household in the parks and recreation facilities listed below? ]



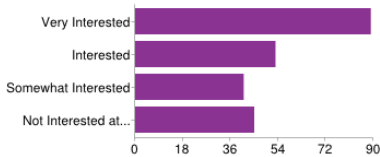
Very Interested	106	46%
Interested	46	20%
Somewhat Interested	34	15%
Not Interested at All	42	18%

## Youth swim programs [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]



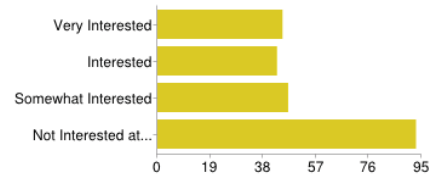
Very Interested	62	27%
Interested	47	21%
Somewhat Interested	33	14%
Not Interested at All	86	38%

## Outdoor running/walking track [How interested are you or members of your household in the parks and recreation facilities listed below? ]



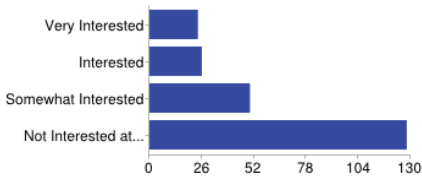
Very Interested	89	39%
Interested	53	23%
Somewhat Interested	41	18%
Not Interested at All	45	20%

## Adult swim programs [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]



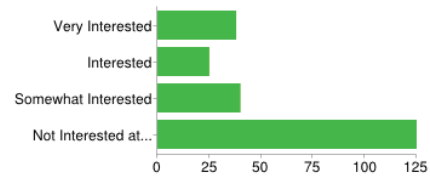
Very Interested	45	20%
Interested	43	19%
Somewhat Interested	47	21%
Not Interested at All	93	41%

## Skateboard park/bike park [How interested are you or members of your household in the parks and recreation facilities listed below? ]



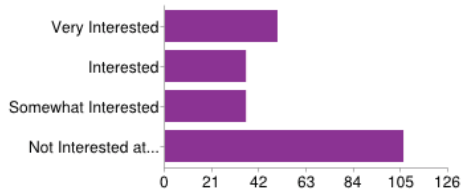
Very Interested	24	11%
Interested	26	11%
Somewhat Interested	50	22%
Not Interested at All	128	56%

## Pre-school programs [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]



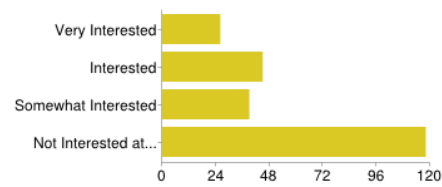
Very Interested	38	17%
Interested	25	11%
Somewhat Interested	40	18%
Not Interested at All	125	55%

**Before and after school programs [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]**



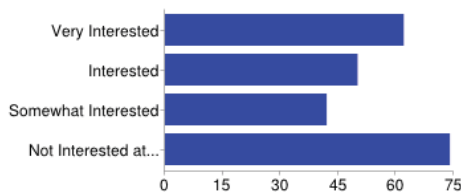
Very Interested	50	22%
Interested	36	16%
Somewhat Interested	36	16%
Not Interested at All	106	46%

**Martial arts programs [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]**



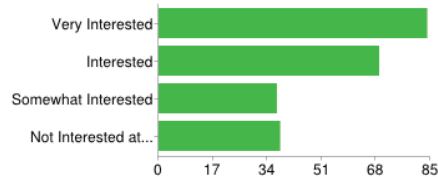
Very Interested	26	11%
Interested	45	20%
Somewhat Interested	39	17%
Not Interested at All	118	52%

**Youth/teen summer camp programs [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]**



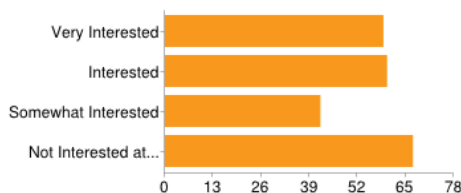
Very Interested	62	27%
Interested	50	22%
Somewhat Interested	42	18%
Not Interested at All	74	32%

**Adult fitness and wellness programs [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]**



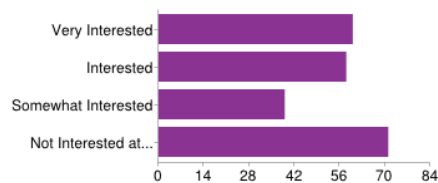
Very Interested	84	37%
Interested	69	30%
Somewhat Interested	37	16%
Not Interested at All	38	17%

**Youth/teen fitness and wellness programs [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]**



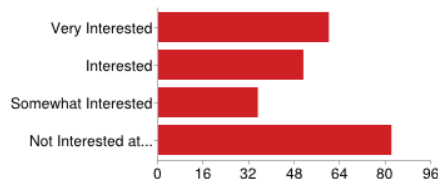
Very Interested	59	26%
Interested	60	26%
Somewhat Interested	42	18%
Not Interested at All	67	29%

**Water fitness programs [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]**



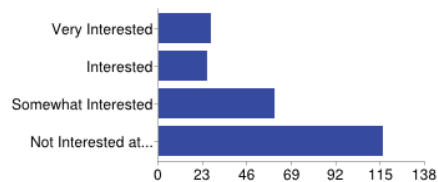
Very Interested	60	26%
Interested	58	25%
Somewhat Interested	39	17%
Not Interested at All	71	31%

**Youth/teen art, dance, and performing arts programs [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]**



Very Interested	27	12%
Interested	25	11%
Somewhat Interested	60	26%
Not Interested at All	116	51%

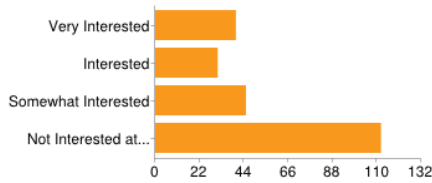
**Tennis lessons, clinics, and leagues [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]**



Very Interested	27	12%
Interested	25	11%
Somewhat Interested	60	26%
Not Interested at All	116	51%

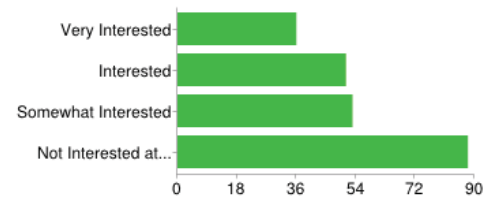
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## Adult art, dance, and performing arts programs [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]



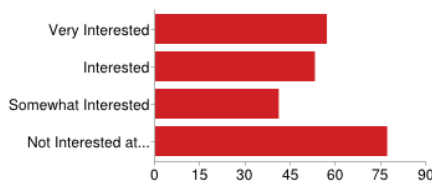
Very Interested	40	18%
Interested	31	14%
Somewhat Interested	45	20%
Not Interested at All	112	49%

## Programs for people with disabilities [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]



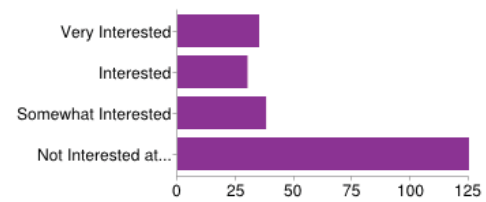
Very Interested	36	16%
Interested	51	22%
Somewhat Interested	53	23%
Not Interested at All	88	39%

## Adult sports programs [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]



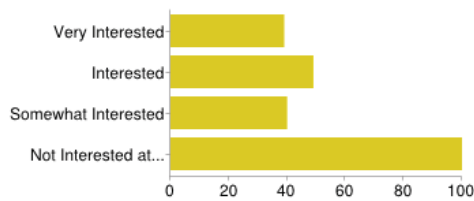
Very Interested	57	25%
Interested	53	23%
Somewhat Interested	41	18%
Not Interested at All	77	34%

## Gymnastics and tumbling programs [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]



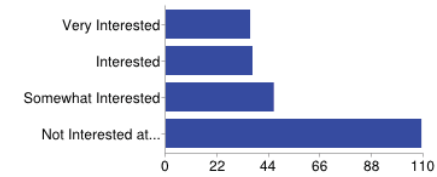
Very Interested	35	15%
Interested	30	13%
Somewhat Interested	38	17%
Not Interested at All	125	55%

## Senior programs [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]



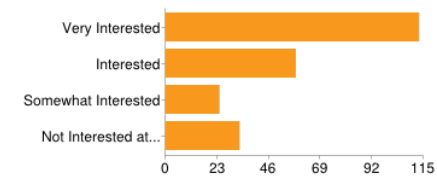
Very Interested	39	17%
Interested	49	21%
Somewhat Interested	40	18%
Not Interested at All	100	44%

## Golf lessons [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]



Very Interested	36	16%
Interested	37	16%
Somewhat Interested	46	20%
Not Interested at All	109	48%

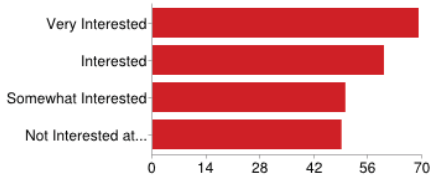
## Special events/festivals [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]



Very Interested	113	50%
Interested	58	25%
Somewhat Interested	24	11%
Not Interested at All	33	14%

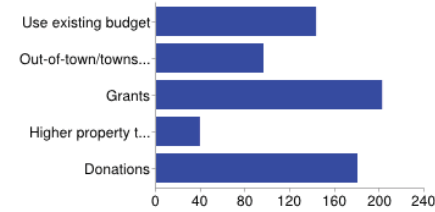


**Nature education programs/Outdoor adventure [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]**



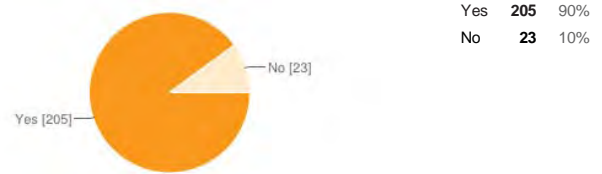
Very Interested	69	30%
Interested	60	26%
Somewhat Interested	50	22%
Not Interested at All	49	21%

**How would you like the Pendleton/Fall Creek Parks and Recreation Board to pay for new park amenities?**

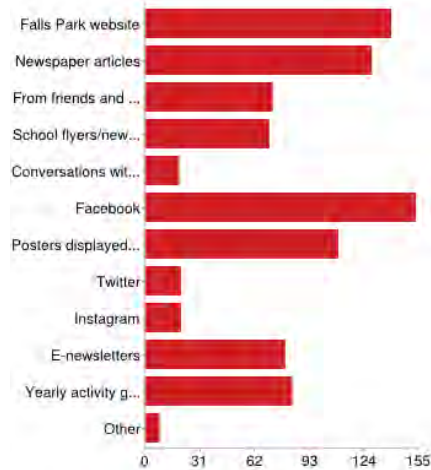


Use existing budget	143	63%
Out-of-town/township user-fees	96	42%
Grants	202	89%
Higher property taxes	39	17%
Donations	180	79%

**Currently, only residents in Fall Creek Township and the Town of Pendleton pay taxes to support Falls Park and the Fall Creek Golf Course. Would you be supportive of the residents of Green and Adams Townships paying the same type of tax?**

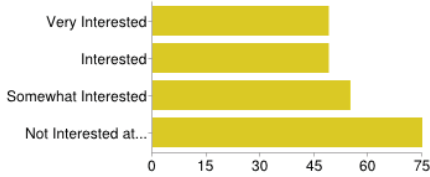


**What are your preferred methods of communication for park activities and announcements?**



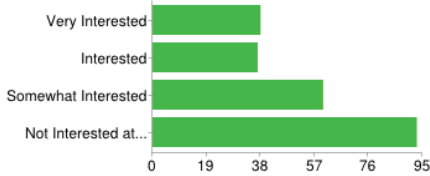
Falls Park website	139	61%
Newspaper articles	128	56%
From friends and neighbors	72	32%
School flyers/newsletter	70	31%
Conversations with Park Staff	19	8%
Facebook	153	67%
Posters displayed around town	109	48%
Twitter	20	9%
Instagram	20	9%
E-newsletters	79	35%
Yearly activity guide	83	36%
Other	8	4%

**Education/Life skills programs such as cooking, budgeting, carpentry [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]**



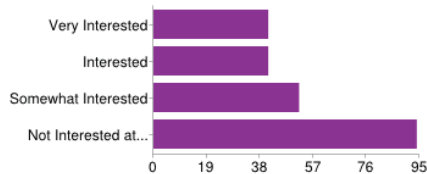
Very Interested	49	21%
Interested	49	21%
Somewhat Interested	55	24%
Not Interested at All	75	33%

**Travel programs [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]**



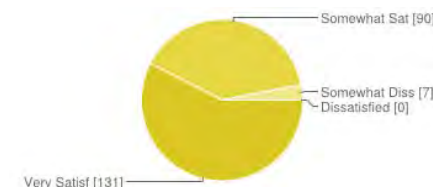
Very Interested	38	17%
Interested	37	16%
Somewhat Interested	60	26%
Not Interested at All	93	41%

**At-risk programs for youth [How interested are you or your household in the activities listed below? ]**



Very Interested	41	18%
Interested	41	18%
Somewhat Interested	52	23%
Not Interested at All	94	41%

**Please rate your satisfaction with the overall value your household receives from the Falls Park and Recreation Department.**



Very Satisfied	131	57%
Somewhat Satisfied	90	39%
Somewhat Dissatisfied	7	3%
Dissatisfied	0	0%

**Thank you for your time and participation. Please feel free to leave additional comments in the space below.**

Falls Park can be so much more. I look forward to watching it improve for the community.

To whom it may concern, Although we don't use the park as much now (kids are grown) we found all of the facilities above par; a very nice park overall. 1.....an amphitheater or someplace for music and entertainment would be nice. 2....I believe anyone that is in the school system should be helping to support the park. The question would then be ... how about the kids that live outside of Green, Fall Creek and Adams, but attend the schools? Perhaps part of their tuition goes toward the park? 3....Anyway to have a 21 and over tent camping area? Alcohol permitted? Probably require some type of security. 4.....Although I don't skate...ice skating, a sledding hill with large fire pit and hot drinks sounds neat also.

I feel there should be more of a presence of a Parks & Rec department - easily identifiable employees who are actually out and about in town. Offer a more

professional/formalized product brochure that features all of the revenue producing facilities - residents would be more apt to rent facilities. If the buildings were just cosmetically updated and the outside of the buildings had some simple upgrades, residents would pay a little more to rent them. Build a simple, but large party barn on park property for large events and charge for rental. Create dividing walls to break the large space into smaller rooms for showers, meetings, etc. Have a nice outdoor patio with fire pit. Host private and public functions all year. Weddings, reunions, showers, community haunted house, Valentine's Day dance, mix and mingle events, wine tastings, etc - possibilities are endless. Beer and wine permits for park areas and golf course really need to be allowed. Offer boot camps and other fitness in the park activities. There is so much potential for the park areas and for recreation opportunities, but it needs to become a larger presence in our community, areas need updating and beautified, the pond and surrounding shore need addressed - so dirty. Park employees should be hired and have a known presence to help maintain what we have and to help discourage the undesirable things that happen in the park. My family has lived across the street from the park since the 1950's and we are very vested in what happens and how things are monitored/handled at the park and the surrounding areas. PLEASE remove or place the Pepsi machine in the park to a less obvious location! We don't need to encourage the consumption of soda in an area that is primarily used by kids, it looks terrible - totally kills the natural and beautiful aesthetics of the entire park, especially at night. Please go back to using the soft yellow lights in the lamp posts throughout the park. The soft lighting is much more pleasing, creates less shadows, casts a beautiful and warm glow and doesn't shine through curtains like the bright stark white lights. I guess I have more opinions than I thought! Just one more thing I'd like to suggest - please dedicate the gazebo to the memory of Richard "Dick" Godbey. A dedication ceremony with the offer of ice cream would draw hundreds of residents to Falls Park. The Old Softball Diamond should either be taken out or maintained. Same goes for the basketball courts in the same area. They are eyesores in an otherwise great place to enjoy with family and friends.

Recycle bins in park for water bottles, ect. dog park splash pads

I think the minutes from each park board meeting should be posted on the website. Also, a restaurant should be opened at the golf course Pendleton needs more dining options!

I would appreciate a bigger softball field for our adult league Nd the playground Nd basketball area behind browns pool needs serious update along with the concrete around their building.

Our family appreciates the work put into making Falls Park what it is today and improving it for the future. We especially love the trails and areas for biking. We would love to have extended trails, better pool area and an indoor pool -- especially for winter aerobics. Thank you for updating the website and keeping people educated through social media, such as Facebook. Thanks!

Love to go there every chance I get. Hate that kids are getting away with leaving trash all over the trails.....

We absolutely love falls park!!! Would be more than willing to help make it even better! would love to see a splash park!

I grew up in Pendleton and spent many, many hours there as a child. I learned to swim in Fall Creek when Fred and David Burkholder were the life guards. Please don't change too much about the park, it is so pretty. I no longer live in Pendleton, but I do come to the park 3 to 4 times a year.

I think the park employees do a fine job making our park as nice as it is. Sure I think there is room for improvement. Maybe some programs during the day for preschool/ seniors services. Evening family things to do. Night time adult things to do. Thank you for allowing us to voice our opinions.

Pendleton/Fall Creek provides an excellent park, trails, and sports complex. I feel we should all be willing to contribute in order to maintain and improve on our facilities.

We are very fortunate to have such a great facility, especially given the small size of our community. My family and I particularly enjoy the hiking trails and the events at the park, especially the Kiwanis car show and the June Jamboree and Heritage Fair. The car show in particular is a great idea and something we hope will expand in the coming years. One thing I really think our area could use would be a sidewalk or bike path paralleling Huntsville Road from the park to the Hickory Hills and Hickory Hills East additions. It's not safe to ride bikes on Huntsville Road, and a path of some kind would make it much easier to get to the park without driving.

I love Falls Park and the people that work there. I walk my dog frequently in winter and summer so maintaining the walks are important to me. I think the park is beautiful and a nice place to walk and enjoy nature. More than anything, I feel we should have a dog park so both small and large dogs can get some good exercise. Many Pendleton residents have dogs and would use a dog park. Paying a yearly fee would bring in lots of money for maintenance and would assure that only healthy dogs with up to date vaccinations would be admitted. I also think that many people would donate to help build such a facility.

Falls Park is a top amenity for the region. I implore you to develop new additions with the UTMOST QUALITY so they become the beloved landmarks of future generations. Please, for the love of God-- no POLE BARN developments! Invest in fewer developments if you must, but ensure they are of lasting value.

I don't run on the trails sometimes because I'm not always comfortable.

I would like to see three things added to the master plan: 1) kayak entry sites into the creek with parking; 2) more sidewalks connecting the middle school to town; 3) bikeways/walkways/sidewalks on Huntsville Road connecting those neighborhoods to town. Lots of people jog and bike Huntsville Road and a wide bike/walk/sidewalk would be useful. Someone should go visit Yorktown schools to look at their sidewalk system. Make sure you drive past the football field to the soccer fields. They have clear signage and great pathways making it safe for people and kids to walk. These sidewalks also connect to the park and town. Additionally, I think it would be a nice thing to have kayak launch sites with parking. A number of teenagers and young adults kayak the creek and have difficulty finding safe places to launch and park. These young adults are finding healthy alternatives for recreation and it would be nice to support them.

I'm so glad that someone has set this survey up. I think our park is desperately in need of some renovations and input from the huge amount of young families!!!

We appreciate the Park being proactive in continuously improving the Park system. It's a great park system for the size of the town. Would like to see the if the field along Water St could be better utilized during the various special events like the Heritage Fair.

This was a great addition to the Park property.

I think they are spending way to much money for the new maintenance building. I feel it is time for a new park superintendent. The Park Board really needs to reevaluate his position because of the over spending of the building.

Looks like a survey for the Y to me. Considering they said they had no intention to build...hmmmm

We have a beautiful park. It makes me sad to see people not take care of it. It would be a great idea to explore rebuilding the old pool at the falls. They swim in the same water in Geist.

You are doing a great job with the park. Gets a lot of use throughout the year. Like to see more use availability in the winter months. Trails plowed, trash containers, winter sport activity, ice fishing, skating. Maybe use of volunteers to augment the staff.

Although I am a senior citizen, I feel very strongly that we need a skateboard park for the kids. Have seen them in Noblesville and Westfield. Great idea! Put it somewhere with high visability to help prevent problems.

Quit dumping money into the pool. Need a dog park. Do some actual maintenance on the sports complex (fix roof leaks, score towers, ball diamond gates, drinking fountains that haven't worked since Day 1, etc.). Add parking lot lighting in the sports complex. Golf course should have bar/restaurant of good quality, but old building needs major work.

Have tried several rimes to start a bird walk in the park with no success. The park has great bird l g especially during spring migration. I would suggest trying to push for a bird walk. We are moving to Tucson Arizona in the next week after living in Pendleton for 20 years. We have enjoyed the park and appreciate all those on the staff and the volunteers who have made bit such a great place. Best of luck in the future of the Falls Park.

Love night tennis - need some lighted courts.. Or perhaps chip in to use park \$ for lights @ PHHS courts ! Very lucky to have a 18 hole golf course + driving range !

We primarily use the trails for nature walks and exercise all 12 months of the year.

Replicating some of the Mounds State Park Volunteer initiatives might be advantageous to help maintain Falls Park trails and eradicate invasive shrubs.

with Pendleton being on the National Register of Historic Places, it would be wonderful to have a stone bridge worthy of our beautiful park and falls instead of the metal one we currently have. For a town sitting on limestone, seems we could do much, much better. True the costs would be great, but surely, grants, donations, etc., could help. Just drive thru the park this fall and visualize a stone bridge versus the cheap, rail one we currently have.

With the current conditions (ie weeds and mowing) of the grounds, there needs to be a forum to submit requests for such items to be taken care of by the park department with a prioritized list and sense of urgency when special events are taking place at any one of the locations within the parks. We need to be touring surrounding growing towns to observe what is going well in their growing communities. We need to find an activities director to plan more activities in the park. More green space doesn't bring revenue to the town...so we need to look at what can be added to the sports complex to bring additional families to our town!!

In-town soccer fields with concession stands & restrooms would be incredibly beneficial. It's inconvenient to be at Maple Ridge for soccer games & practices.

Paving the sports complex was a wonderful addition to the recreation facility. It has made the entire complex seem much nicer.

I live in Indy and prefer to drive up to Pendleton for work and community events. Please keep them growing to continue to make them worthwhile for other to hopefully do the same!

The park, specifically the trails, are one of my favorite spaces. Keep up the good work! Would like to see special provisions for structured alcohol consumption in the park (i.e. Symphony on the Prairie, special events for non-profits, etc)

I would love to see some sort of water park or splash park!

the fact that we are not allowed to take our dogs to the park is CRAZY!!! everyone should be responsible for cleaning up after their dogs like in every other park in the world!! DOG PARK PLEASE!!

In looking at the park as a whole, it already satisfies a lot of areas. One thing that is lacking is at the sports complex. If the parks department wants to compete for future tournaments in softball, there has to be more than 2 softball fields. This could be

remedied by adding more space to current complex (land use toward the YMCA) or using the current space where old complex was (diamond 12). Just letting that go to green space will not bring money in for the park or people to the town of Pendleton. With just 2-3 more softball diamonds, more tournaments could be hosted at the complex. This has to be looked at!

I would like to see the falls restored to its original state with the former pool area redesigned to a more appealing configuration. Also I would like to see the area around the pond landscaped better with improvements to the lawn and additional flowers and trees.

I think that a splash pad would be very nice and getting rid of the pool facilities. The bathhouse is not in very good condition. I think a splash pad would be much better than having the pool.

As stated before, the park grounds are very beautiful. The playground is also very well maintained. However, many of the trails and outbuildings could use some work to bring them up to a level that would draw more people in to use the facilities. The shelter by the pond, in my opinion is in no better condition than many of the shelters found in Anderson area parks, which is fair to poor. Also, many of the outbuilding appear to be abandoned. Find a use for them, maintain them, or remove them. Many of the walking trails along the creek and in the northern section of the park get muddy and soggy frequently making it difficult to walk/bike if it has rained recently. Granted, everything takes time to improve, but it seems like Shadyside and Anderson River trails are nicer for those types of activities. I'm thankful we have many different parks in the area, but I would like to use the one in my own backyard more often for all the different activities enjoyed by my family. Thanks for all your hard work!

Walking trails round or at golf course.

If the muck was controlled better in the lighthouse pond, it would be more enjoyable. We walk there often and tend to speed past that pond even though we love the lighthouse and the wildlife there.

I would like to see the trail system outfitted with a Fitness system for the trail. The type I am thinking of is usually built out of 4X4 posts and allow for step ups, sit ups, push ups etc. I have always wanted the basketball courts near the old ball diamonds to be upgraded and expanded. The location near the road makes security better.

The park staff & Joy does a great job tending to the park. We would like to see the Falls put back to it's original state. Take away the dam. This would be more attractive & have a real falls across the limestone rocks. This could be costly but funds could be raised to get it done. Also clean the pond more often to be rid of the geese crap.

You might think about community "clean up the park" days. Might help keep costs down. It also helps with community pride of the park.

We feel very blessed to have such an amazing park/trail/playground facility in such a small town. I really appreciate your efforts to involve the community in your ideas/plans. Brainstorming like this will really assist in getting great suggestions and support from the people of Pendleton. Good for you! Keep up the good work! This town has been in a slump over the past 5+ years and I take this a good sign we're on an upswing!

Our family loves the park, and look forward to continued use & future improvements.

We have a wonderful sports complex for Basketball and football, but poor fields for soccer. Soccer Seems to be the "dump" sport here, but yet many other surrounding communities have very robust leagues and great fields. There is a great amount of Bird feces which is highly toxic and can make children sick. There has to be some Way to address this. The trails are WONERFUL, but I do not feel safe running in them even during daylight. There have been too many incidents and with inmates in there helping to clean just makes it worse. A little splash pad area and some sensory gardens would be great. I do like the addition of the handicap swing. Our family leverages the parks a lot, but would live to see it grow as our community is growing (although it's not necessarily in the townships that pay for the park it's all the country additions that are still park of the overall school system).

You forgot the "I" in "feel"

I'd like to see the wooded area managed as a nature preserve. Woods are full of invasive species & so on. Purdue Extension could be consulted regarding initiatives to restore the area closer to its natural state, and volunteers utilized to complete much of the work.

I think the park board should address the duck issues. The sidewalks are covered with "droppings" and it makes them unsightly and unsafe. If people want to feed the ducks they should have an area away from the sidewalk areas. Personally I would ban any

feeding of the wildlife.

Please consider a long term plan to restore the falls back to how they originally looked. The pool has an interesting history but its time to remove the traces of the old pool and restore the falls back to its former glory that made them famous through out the region. Old photos of the falls are fascinating and I think the public could be convinced to support it.

We mainly use the park for walks with our dog, and we absolutely love walking along the water and into the wooded areas. It's An off-leash dog park (with small and big dog areas) would be a wonderful resource for us. We've noticed that our dog, who had many dog friends where we lived in Indianapolis, is much more isolated since moving here 5 years ago and doesn't really have any dog friends in Pendleton. A dog park would help our dogs socialize and perhaps the people will become friends, too. Thanks for requesting our input on the future of the park. It's such a great resource for the town!

I think that we have a wonderful park and trail system. A potential consideration would be a permanent friends group to assist in regular outside fundraising. That group could also add as a focus cleaning up the trails and the creek. Some clean-up efforts could really improve the beauty of the park and trails.

Our family would love to see a sprinkler park in Pendleton. Middletown has a great sprinkler park. Pendleton would definitely get a lot of use out of one too. Both our boys participate in BMX biking in Indianapolis. The track is next to the velodrome that Marion College runs. This sport attracts a lot of young kids and is a great opportunity for college scholarships. We thought having a track here in Pendleton would draw a lot of interest. Ron is the best.

Pendleton need a firearms facility, shooting sports.

Would love to see more trails for walking and running to extend along fall creek farther and into the community. Also we are in need of nice soccer fields and better basketball courts for the kids.

I grew up in Pendleton. When visiting my parents, we always take advantage of a walk in the woods. It is like a State Park right out their back door. I hope Pendleton residents understand what a jewel they have in their own backyard. Over the years, the park has developed beautifully. Keep it up Pendleton Park Board, you are doing a great job.

More shelter houses. A designated area for special events. There are a lot of big events in the park which take up lots of space. This limits general visitation to the park. A memorial tree garden area.

Need some small ponds for fishing.

The red barn seems like a pretty beat place to reserve. My understanding is that it isn't available. It would be nice for it to be available and for more people to know about it. Or turn it into something useful like a nature center as mentioned in the survey.

Additional softball fields to host tournaments throughout the Spring Summer and Fall.

Brown's pool is ALWAYS cold. It makes it hard for people to want to swim/use the pool when it is that temp. The entire pool facility is just outdated. What about a splash park or digging areas for smaller children throughout the park? I travel to Hamilton County & use there awesome parks. You should take a visit to the different parks in Carmel. It also seems like other parks offer an entire guide for different camps throughout the summer. Why doesn't the Pendleton park offer any camps? Why do we not have "kid" concerts like Hamilton County. I just hate going outside of Pendleton for all of these things. The concerts in the park seem to all be geared towards older people & not young families.

## Number of daily responses



Appendix G - Public Input Comment Sheets



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Connect trails to golf course.  
Bike trails

Signage with "no dogs permitted" at entrance of every part of park. This has been mentioned before water fountains. None work!

Trail by old ball park - bridge by old maintenance building. Using trail is problem when you turn right. Big boulders prevent from walking.



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Dog park

Swing in park - slats - great  
317-340-4465.  
Other swing needs slats - Christopher Elliott  
↑ will make it family project

Fitness trail along existing trail:  
1. monkey bars, wood based items etc. Stations  
2. outdoor fitness equipment  
3. even just signage

Cleanups - the family would help - community day

Christopher Elliott  
Family



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*ashley* *More historical markers in park - ashley Parker age 10*

*Activities at the creek for kids*

*Activities to pick up trash throughout the woods*

*Get rid of ducks!*

*More trails*

*Keep pool open*



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*Miniature Golf course*

*Need restroom along trail*

*Problem w/ disk golf 5-6-7 need to be cleaned out - loses disks. would use more.*



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Splash pad  
 Dog park (separate for small & big)  
 Get rid of big rocks by bridge on trails  
 cant ride bikes thru  
 Pond cleaned up - get it healthy again  
 fishing place  
 Rock wall  
 Zip line  
 Trampoline Place  
 bow: arrow range  
 Motorcycle racing

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Amphitheater for concerts  
 Todd Anson  
 More trails. Trails now need elevated in low lying areas. Cant walk thru them at times.  
 Driving range at golf course



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Walking trails

Doggie Stations for dogs - bags etc.

Outdoor amphitheater - back stage wings - *got sound system*  
- show movies there  
- showcase local talent in plays

Skate boarding area

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*Oakley walking*

Splash park

Paved trails

workshop/camp to teach frisbee golf

Compsites for travel trailers - electric hookup - sewer

Place to get fishing licenses.

per Mr. Cecil Street





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*Splash Park @ playground  
"Two Nice Ladies from Springfield"*



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*Maps w/ you are HERE!*



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Min. Golf Course @ Pool  
Batting Cages @ Pool



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I believe that a tennis court should be in the park. It would make playing easier. Instead of having to go to the high school for good courts, having good tennis courts would allow people to have an easier way to play.



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Paved trails - for bikes & strollers  
Splash pad  
Disk Golf - need varying lengths between holes  
Canoeing capability  
Trails built up because can't use when flooded.



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Amphitheatre 😊



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Improve B.Ball courts



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RUNNING TRAIL AROUND SOFTBALL COMPLEX WHICH LINKS IN WITH CURRENT TRAIL SYSTEM.

ALSO CONNECT CURRENT TRAIL SYSTEM INTO A NEW TRAIL ALONG CREEK TOWARD GOLF COURSE.

ROD & MELISSA HAGERMAN



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create an Invasive species management plan.  
 James Keith  
 Biologist James@yahoo.com



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A DOG PARK FOR THIS TOWN IS MUCH NEEDED.  
 A FENCE, WATER, BAGS/TRASH CANS IS ABOUT ALL YOU NEED. PERHAPS CHARGE A YEARLY FEE OF \$35 PER YEAR FOR A SWIPE CARD FOR THE ENTRANCE INTO THE PARK. THAT FEE WOULD HELP PAY FOR ANY COSTS. ALSO WITH DOG PARK MEMBERSHIP ONE WOULD HAVE TO SUPPLY YEARLY SHOTS (UP TO DATE) PER DOG IN ORDER TO ACQUIRE A KEY. <sup>shots</sup>  
 JUST A THOUGHT, IVE ACTUALLY THOUGHT ABOUT THIS A LOT.  
 THANKS FOR CONSIDERATION,  
 Carrie Joney



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Handwritten comment: Dog Park



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Handwritten comment: Need a splash pad  
The one in Bitter Canyon (sp?)  
park in Fishers is a great example  
No lifeguards - so can be open extended  
hours vs swimming pool



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*Fitness trail (Equip)  
pull-up bars  
sit-up station*

*More rest rooms  
(for women)*

*\* Golf course is in GREAT Shape - the best it has ever been in. \**

*Miss the mountains in the park.*



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*BBQ Restaurant at Golf Course*

*Sprinkler in park for kids  
new - different playground equip - Bev Kline  
Jennifer Mabrey*

*Side out fence on trail east of cemetery. Bob Cleary*

*Lagoon between trails drained to Prairie Delch*

*Restaurant at Golf Course. Not excited about trails behind house! (London Baywood) on state st.*



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Better Marked Trails!  
Consider Selected Solar Lighting on Trails  
New Maps marking "you are here"  
Mr & Mrs. Reinbold

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Soccer Fields!





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bike rack to lock  
 maybe an obstacle course  
 splash pad  
 zip line over creek



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A Ga Ga Pit - A game like dodge ball played in an octagon pit with a volley ball.  
 the players hit the ball with their hands/fists to knock it around the pit trying to hit other players knees (or bellow) the players only get one hit unless it hits the wall or another player.  
 If you hit the ball out of the pit ~~that~~ the player it last hit it is out  
 no teams  
~~two~~ two hits whene theres two players left



[www.GaGaPit.com](http://www.GaGaPit.com)



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Re-do Tennis Courts - Add lights

save Red Diamond

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Paintball field

Clean up Probability (5-10)



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① Availability for size or registration for primitive camping —

Handwritten lines for notes, mostly blank.

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*Sherril Bryant - naturalist*

Nature Center - where classes can be taught  
bedroom/displays  
hands on activities for kids

Sherril Bryant has all types of ranger Rick Major scopes  
- binoculars  
6844 Reformatory Road  
Fortville 46040  
Has lots of resources - would be interested  
paid position  
Important to incorporate nature programs



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Trash cans by upper trail by the pond.  
 They have observed a lot of trash there.  
 Roger Wills  
 Lendi Elliott

New area a walk street - Dog Park - then do not allow  
 dogs in playground area.  
 Jo Scott  
 She lives across from new area. She  
 would be able to help with dog park.

Sign where mill used to be; sign of its history.  
 Kevin Rushton - Anderson



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More walking trails.  
 Circular splash areas on at various times  
 Day camps | between playground & pond.

Paved walking trails that will accommodate  
 strollers.



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- ADA compliant restrooms!
- sidewalks along Falls Park Drive.



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- water mill to generate electricity for park  
↑ in the falls
- basketball indoor - all year round
- wants splash pad - pool open longer hours.
- ~~(circle)~~ - farmers market would like one way traffic entrance of park.



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Trail from golf course to park

acquiring old quarry by informatory.

doing good job wit



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trail along fall creek drive to maple hedge.

wants aeration back in the pond

concerned about pool ~~being~~ patrons declining - would hate to see pool close.



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- trash: cigarette butts - what can be done with trash in park?
- paddleboats in falls pool on 4th of July
- ice skating on pond/old quarry.



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- Bridge area - can it be more user friendly for people to dip their feet in - maybe hand rails? it slippery
- golf course is very nice, maybe more benches & landscaping.
- paved trail for older people to walk.



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- Why are they keeping lights up around the old bake with field?
- new bridge over
- expand trails system
- wet bar 1/2 through golf course - water hole @ 9th
- Dog park. - parking is issue during events.



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- miniature golf course.
- waterpark/splash pad.
- the park is beautiful, we don't need to do anything! it's perfect!
- soccer fields @ sports complex.





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- #1 Keep doing what we're doing - Great Park
- #2 field 10ac - parking off street - and lighting -
- #3 Paved P. LOT = GREAT, Nice Driving Range,  
wants cart paths on course
- #4 Dozer on hole #9 to see hole ...
- #5 Soccer is fastest growing sport, yet park has  
nothing for kids playing soccer.

## **IDEAS FOR PENDLETON-FALL CREEK PARK ACTIVITIES**

**1) BUS TRIP FOR SENIORS ( 62+) TO INDIANAPOLIS ZOO FOR THE DAY. TRIP PRICE SHOULD INCLUDE ADMISSION ( for Seniors) TO ZOO, BUS TRIP, & A STOP FOR EARLY EVENING DINNER ON WAY HOME. 9:30AM-7:30PM**

**2) BUS TRIP, ( any age) ,TO INDIANAPOLIS COLISEUM TO SEE IUPUI BASKETBALL GAME. PRICE INCLUDES: BUS TRIP & ADMISSION TO GAME. EAT ON YOUR OWN AT THE GAME**

**3) BUS TRIP TO CROWN HILL CEMETERY IN INDIANAPOLIS. HAVE A TOUR GUIDE WHO KNOWS THE HISTORY AND FMAOUS PEOPLE BURIED IN THE CEMETERY. TRIP PRICE: BUS TRIP , GUIDE, AND A EARLY EVENING MEAL AT A DECENT RESTAURANT ON THE WAY HOME.**

**4) BUS TRIP TO DAYTON ,OHIO, TO U.S. AIR FORCE MUSEUM. PRICE INCLUDES: BUS TRIP, ADMISSION TO MUSEUM AND LATE AFTERNOON OR EARLY EVENING MEAL AT A DECENT RESTAURANT.**

**5) BUS TRIP TO EAT LUNCH AT THE 'BEEF HOUSE' IN COVINGTON INDIANA. TRIP PRICE INCLUDES BUS TRIP, AND MEAL IS ON YOUR OWN. VIEW THE FALL TREES IN THEIR SPLENDER OF COLORS.**

**6) BUS TRIP TO EVANSVILLE, INDIANA AND TOUR THE LAST SHIP TRANSPORT IN WWII USED AT NORMANDY INVASION. BUS TRIP PRICE: BUS TRIP , ADMISSION PRICE AND STOP TO EAT MEAL ON WAY HOME ( on your own ).**

**7) WEEKLY BINGO NIGHTS AT CONSERVATION BUILDING ON (tuesday ??) NIGHTS. 7PM-9:30PM. ADMISSION PRICE OF \$3 AND CARDS SOLD FOR \$2 EACH**

**8) BUS TRIP TO HAMILTON COMMONS TO "MOVIE NIGHT". PICK OUT A GOOD 'PG-13" MOVIE . BUS TRIP PRICE INCLUDES: BUS AND MOVIE ADMITTANCE. 7PM-10PM.**

**9) BUS TRIP TO KOPPER KETTLE IN MORRISTOWN INDIANA FOR LUNCH. BUS TRIP PRICE INCLUDES: BUS TRIP. ( meals are of own choosing and pay for your own)**

**10) BUS TRIP TO NASHVILLE, INDIANA, TO SHOP AND SEE FALL COLORS OF TREES. SHOPPING AND MEALS ARE ON YOUR OWN. TRIPPRICE: BUS TRIP.**

**11) BUS TRIP TO BEEF-and- BOARDS DINNER THEATRE. TRIP PRICE INCLUDES: BUS AND MEAL & AND SHOW AT BEEF-and-BOARDS.**

**12) BUILD SOME GOOD LIGHTED OUTDOOR SHUFFLE BOARD COURTS, (8) , IN PARK, & START "SENIORS LEAGUE" TO PLAY IN EVENINGS IN THE SUMMER. 7:30PM-9:30PM**

**13) HAVE MORE CONCERTS IN THE PARK IN THE GAZEBO AREA. MIGHT CALL GREENFIELD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. THEY HAVE AN WONDERFUL ARRAY OF CONCERTS AND THE AREA IN BACK OF THE COURTHOUSE ARE WELL ATTENDED. COULD HAVE BARBERSHOP QUARTETS, COUNTRY MUSIC BANDS,SING-A-LONGS, ( no loud raucous rock-n-roll bands with loud yelling etc.). COULD HAVE HOSPITALITY AREA THAT SERVES PUNCH, ICE CREAM & COOKIES FOR SALE .**

**14** **GO BACK TO HAVE ORGANIZATIONS DECORATE AREAS OF THE PARK FOR CHRISTMAS AND LET PEOPLE WALK THROUGH THE PARK TO VIEW THE LIGHTS & DECORATIONS TO GET IN THE "SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS" .DECEMBER 15th-20<sup>th</sup> FROM 7PM-10PM. COULD HAVE A NATIVITY SCENE, ( local churches take turns each night), CHRISTMAS MUSIC PLAYED, HORSE DRAWN SLEIGH RIDES OR ONE OF THOSE STATE FAIR TRANSPORTS THROUGH PARK AND AROUND TOWN ( \$ 5 per person).**

**15** **LOCAL CHOIRS OR GROUPS , ( taking turns), SING CHRISTMAS SONGS 1-3 NIGHTS, ( DEC.21-22-23) AT CHARLENE'S CORNER, FROM 7PM TO 8:00PM, AND THEN PROCEED TO COMMUNITY BUILDING FOR HOT CHOCOLATE AND DONUTS or COFFEE. COULD PASS OUT CHRISTMAS CARDS AND HAVE THEM SIGNED ..."PENDLETON PARK". COULD HAVE A TRAY OR AREA FOR "GOODWILL DONATIONS"**

**SUBMITTED BY:**

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## Appendix H - Grievance Procedures

### APPENDIX.GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE & ORDINANCE

#### EXHIBIT "A" ORDINANCE 2012-05

**PENDLETON, INDIANA  
AMERICANS WITH DISABILITES ACT  
TITLE II GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES**

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), Town of Pendleton will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its access to services, programs or activities.

**Employment:** Town of Pendleton does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations as outlined by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title I of the ADA.

**Effective Communication:** Town of Pendleton will, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective participation for people with disabilities to participate equally in Town of Pendleton's programs, services and activities. Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective participation or modification of policies or procedures to participate in a service, program, or activity, contact the office of the ADA Coordinator as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

**Modifications to Policies and Procedures:** Town of Pendleton will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services and activities. The Americans with Disabilities Act does not require Town of Pendleton to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its services or programs or impose an undue financial or administrative burden to Town of Pendleton. Complaints regarding a service, program or activity of Town of Pendleton that is not accessible to persons with disabilities should be directed to the ADA Coordinator.

Town of Pendleton will not place a surcharge on a particular individual with a disability or any group of individuals with disabilities to cover the cost of providing auxiliary aids/services or reasonable modifications of policy, such as retrieving items from locations that are open to the public but are not accessible to persons who use wheelchairs.

**Procedures:** Town of Pendleton has adopted an internal grievance procedure providing for prompt and equitable resolution of complaints alleging any action prohibited by the U.S. Department of Justice regulations implementing Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA"). Title II states, in part, that "no otherwise qualified disabled individual shall, solely by reason of such disability, be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination in programs, services or activities sponsored by a public entity".

*Step One: File the Grievance*

Complete the Town of Pendleton Grievance Form. Grievance Form can be found on the Town of Pendleton, Indiana website ([www.town.pendleton.in.us](http://www.town.pendleton.in.us)) or in the ADA Coordinator's office. A grievance may be communicated in writing, by e-mail, by fax or by telephone, but must follow the format of the Town of Pendleton Grievance Form.

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A grievance concerning the accessibility of Town of Pendleton's services, programs or activities should be addressed to: Town Manager and/or Town Council President

*Step Two: Acknowledgement*

A grievance should be filed within 90 days after the grievant party becomes aware of the alleged violation. The ADA Coordinator will send an acknowledgement of receipt of the grievance within 12 working days.

*Step Three: Informal Resolution*

Following the filing of a grievance, the ADA Coordinator shall determine whether, and to what extent, an investigation of the grievance is warranted. Any resulting investigation shall be conducted by the ADA Coordinator or his/her designee. In the case of a property or access issue, the grievance will also be investigated by the Town of Pendleton Property Manager. A thorough investigation affords all interested persons and their representatives an opportunity to submit evidence relevant to a grievance. The ADA Coordinator will complete the investigation within 60 calendar days of receipt of the grievance. If appropriate, the ADA Coordinator will arrange to meet with the grievant to discuss the matter and attempt to reach an informal resolution of the grievance. Any informal resolution of the grievance shall be documented in the ADA Coordinator file and the case will be closed.

*Step Four: Written determination*

If an informal resolution of the grievance is not reached in Step 3, within 60 calendar days of receipt of the grievance, a written determination as to the validity of the complaint, and description of the resolution, if appropriate, shall be forwarded by the ADA Coordinator to the Executive Officer for approval.

*Step Five: Final determination and resolution*

The ADA Coordinator shall communicate the determination and resolution to the grievant within 90 calendar days of receipt of the grievance, unless the Executive Officer authorizes additional time for further consideration of the grievance. Any authorized extension of time will be communicated to the grievant. Any request for reconsideration of the response to the grievance shall be at the discretion of the Executive Officer.

If the grievant is not satisfied with Town of Pendleton's handling of the grievance at any stage of the process, or does not wish to file a grievance through Town of Pendleton's ADA Title II Grievance Procedures, the grievant may file a complaint directly with the U. S. Department of Justice or other appropriate state or federal agency. Use of Town of Pendleton's grievance procedure is not a prerequisite to the pursuit of other remedies.

The resolution of any specific grievance will require consideration of varying circumstances, such as the specific nature of the disability; the nature of the access to services, programs, or facilities at issue, the essential eligibility requirements for participation; the health and safety of others; and the degree to which an accommodation would constitute a fundamental alteration to the service, program or facility, or cause an undue hardship to Town of Pendleton. Accordingly, the resolution by Town of Pendleton of any one grievance does not constitute a precedent upon which Town of Pendleton is bound or upon which other complaining parties may rely.

*File Maintenance*

Town of Pendleton's ADA Coordinator shall maintain ADA Grievance files for three years.

## Appendix I - Resources and References

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