

# Attachment C

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*Resident Survey*

**1. Please enter your address so that we can verify that you are a Lawrence resident. This address will not be recorded or used for anything aside from the stated purpose.**

Addresses withheld

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**2. Please enter your age:**

Average Age: 21 Median Age: 13

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**3. Which three (3) parks or playgrounds do you use most often? What activities do you use them for?**

#1) Mount Vernon Park -- Walking

#2) Jacques Pond -- Meditation

Den Rock Park, Kennedy Park, Riverfront State Park

Scaritos-relaxing, enjoy river, play games in field

North Common- special events, lunch, chimi

Reservoir-run

Mt. Vernon Street-

Jacques Pond- Mt Vernon Park- McCarthy Park

Brook St., North Common, South Common

- used for exercise

South, North CCommon and Shawsheen park

North Central play and parks area children to play (play area)

Gagnon Park- Neighborhood activity Reservoir Area- Walking

Reservoir Common Lawrence Heritage State Park- all parts

1) Reservoir- jogging, sledding, tennis 2) Riverfront- Jogging 3) Miserville- Basketball

Gagnon Park, Mt. Vernon Park, Howard Playstead, playground and little league

At my age I do not use the parks but feel we must make such space available for our young people

hayden scofield- watch baseball. North common- hang out. howard park-recreational things.

SHawsheen Park

CCommon- walk and play Shawsheen- play South Common- play

Common Park, South Common, and Escarito park. In these parks I play basketball, walk around, and bike around.

Common Skorito park

Scarto Park- Greeteam, Movement City Heritage State Park- Green Team Common Park- Movement City

South Common, Shawsheen Park- to take my niece to playground & walk the dogs

North Common, Hayden Schofield. running, walking, playing

Common Park, South CCommon Park & Scarto Park

I walk around mostly and occasionally play with my friends, or bike around.

Common park and I jog or just walk around. Also Escarito park and I do the same thing.

Parthum School;

Storrow-

maintain flags @ the park. Also the greens (trees etc.- should be cleaned up to view the city.

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*Resident Survey-Results*

Storror Park to walk around, picnic, and sometimes take stairs to go to Canal district  
Pemberton Park- walk and see the river  
Den Rock Park- to get away from it all- hike  
Lawrence hear the oliver? St. Union  
-Scarito Park/ Brook St.  
-Bellview Cemetary- walk my dog  
-COmmon- walking/festivals/ lawn games  
Campagnon Common  
Brooke St. Park  
Lawrence Heritage Park  
Primarily the Campagnon Common, use for frisbee, bocce ball, and sitting. Also use Lawrence Heritage State Park.  
North Common  
South Common  
Brook Street  
-walking, gardening, festivals  
-Campagnon Common  
-Scarito Park  
-North Common  
-Den ROck Park  
-WALKING from Bashara Boat yard, along the Canal to Essex Street & the N. Common. (Needs improving)  
So. Common Park- football & cheer practice So Lawrence East field-football & cheer practice  
Gagnon Park- movies in the summer National Night Out  
The swings  
-Den Rock Park -Kennedy Park -Riverfront State Park  
The Common park. To sit and chill or to take my little sister to play.  
I am still new to the area and I really don't know the actual names of the parks or playgrounds, but here area couple that I go to most often, mount vernon park, the park on market st.  
MOUNT VERNON PARK - WALKING  
VETERANS STADIUM - VARIOUS EVENTS  
Pemberton Park - just a stroll  
Common - walking to the planning office  
West St  
playstead  
West St Park  
Campagnone Common for Bread and Roses and other gatherings; South Lawrence Common for playing with grand children; small playground on Andover Street near MacDonalds to play with grand children  
  
Jacques Pond. I do not use the pond for activites. Just watch the beautiful wild life that passes through my yard.  
Mt. Vernon Park I use the walking paths.  
Gagnon- NOrth Common  
-Sullivan Park [play basketball]  
-Common Park [swings]  
-Riley Riverfront Park

Howard Park  
Common park  
Tarbox park

Common Park- i go to play on the swings, to walk + talk, for Semana Hispana, and to get out of the house.  
Common Park - I just play around with my little cuzins.

Sullivan Park  
Riverfoot Park

Howard Park- go on the swings and run around.  
North Common Park- I go only for Spanish festival  
Riverfront- to walk in the water and watch the boats in the water

I dont go to parks.

basketball

Basketball baseball football

Common Park, hang out and just walk.

Howard Park- sports Sullivan Park- Walk (Located near Merrimack Plaza) Park- Eat and play sports  
ellos le gusta jugapo futbol

Common Park, to play or to relaxe

North Common

Common Park, Brook St. Park,

Common Shawsheen

The 3 most parks I see are the Lawrence High School Park, Common Park, Shawsheen Park. I see them for basketball, walking around and playgrounds.

El Parque de las ardillas el campo de la escuela south lawrence eas. Y El de Lawrence high. you practico soccer.

Comon Prk, SOuth Common Prk. y riverfront park. Juego basketball en esos parques.

-riverside park, south common, North common park

We like to just chill out and have fun in the playgrounds sometimes we take our little cousins to play.

I see the howard park, Arlington playstead people play, also smoke, Arlington playstead is dead (boring) very ugly

Common

South Commom

Stadium

to take my cuzins to attend activities

1) Riverside Park (South Lawrence)

2) North Common (North Lawrence)

3) Immigrant Place Park (South Lawrence-near King Pizza)

I go mostly to the main park and the one near lawrence high. I just go and walk around with friends.

Shawsheen park

Common park

Howard park

Howard-> tennis

North Common

South Common

-swing + play ground + running + walking around, exercise

The North Common, Jogging, Softball etc.

The park near the Lawrence High- hang around with friends

Common Park

North Common, South Common, Den Rock Hike- Gathering; socializing

Las ardillas, Methuen. Recreaccion familiar, especial con nieto.

Common St.

Las Ardillas Myrtle St. By Old LHS

Hayden Schofield, Oneill, Howard, North Common

West St Park Soccer

Common (Exercising & take my little brother to play baseball) South Common (Exercisin")")

Reservoir, Den Rock, Stadium Walking, biking.

South Common-playground

Den Rock Park-hiking/running

Pemberton Park-walking, enjoying the river.

Boating house

Don't use.

Common park

1. Reservoir Park-abutting cemetereis for walking

2. den rock park for hiking, bird watching and nature observation

3. merrimack river, banks above dam on both south and north sides for walking, birdwatching and boating

Lawrence Common

Den Rock Park

Spricket River Greeway

Dog walking

Storrow Walking

prospect hill park

none

currently do not use

none

Mount Vernon Park - slides/swings, bike path

Lawrence Boat house - sailing

Playground @ South Lawrence Branch library - slides, etc...

Playground on Alder so my child can play in. But the playground is rather beat up and broken down.

common street park i go to community activities there.

Howard park on Lawrence St- to bring my kids to play

COMMON,PEMBERTON AND KIDS PLAYGROUND AND RELAX UNDER A TREE WITH A FAMILY

Common Park for walking and take my kids to the little park that is there to play and ride their bikes.

O'Neil park, common Park

swings

o'neil park, common park

common park, haverhill park

Skate Park - BMX

Common Park - Tag

Newbury - Tag

No answer

brook-play tag

common park-play at the swings

leonard school playground-chill with my friends and play football

The common park

Leornad School Park. For the skate park to talk with friends.

park

Leonard to skate, bike ride

Leonard School playground, hangout and sometimes play Basketball.

No Playgrounds

brook park-play basketball

leonard school park-baseball and football

common park-(cross oliver)baseball and football

bradford farm cometn park clinton park

Common Park

Common Park Leonard Skate Park Not sire about acivities

I dont play in playgrounds.

North common park

common park - play football lenord park- play anything howerd park-play baseball

basketball baseball

Cement Park

common park - to walk around

I don't go to any parks

Lawrence common-walk around Howard Park-baseball riverside park-swings

None

South Lawrence East Park, The activities , I play tag.

Common Park - The monkey bars

Common park milkyway park lahey park for dance and shows to go play

I dont know

Haward Park

Skate Park to skate,

i doto go to the park that much

None

Skate Park, I skateboard

I dont know

common park south lawrence common riverside park

Common Park Scarito Park

Streets for Football

O'neil North common Park

Howerd Park - Play on the swings

I dont go to playgrounds

North Common Park

Common Park- To play when its hot, Semana Ipana

common park riverside park dancing and playing around

Common park, Leonard School playground, Parthum school playground; riding bike, skatboarding, relax, play basketball

North common Park

I do not go to parks or skate parks

common park

North Common Park

Common Park

Common Park Brook Park Howard Park

I use the football field to play football

the common park. i play on the play ground

Common Park,Central Catholic playground, a park near central catholic school,

howard park-hangout common park-play basketball and have a picnic

Boston Park Main Park Walking Park I use them to ride bike and play ball and go on the rides.

no graffiti no littering no hobos clean enviorment

No answer

loitering

Parking Lot

common park howara park

Brook park I play on the playground Milk park baseball

Playstead Park Common Park Howard Park

The common park, the one in older street and that Leonard one here

the common park

the school park

my back yard

i use them all to play sports

leonard schol park

Common Park- walk in riding bikes the feild at my house- Kickball football dodgeball Leonard park- Basketball

football

Arlington School

Basketball

Walk around

Baseball

Common Park

Walk around

Brue Park

Walk around

Howard Park

Brooke Park

Comic Park

I used them to play basketball, base ball, and football you know sports

Leonard skate park

leonard school prak

The park in front of the Oliver Leonard school school park.

Basketball and walking.

common park  
West st. park  
tenney park  
I hang out at them  
The Common Park  
Basketball  
The Leonard School  
Basketball  
Football  
Walk around  
The park around Newbury st  
walk around  
Leonard Skate park  
no answer  
The central park baseball basketball  
Leonard School Playground, run around  
common park Play basketball chill with friends go bike riding  
I go to howard Park and Lawrence Park and Common Park to play softball  
Square Park  
i mostly go to Howard Park on Lawrence St. I usually go there to swing on the swings or play baseball.  
common park  
Common park footbal and baseball Brook street park Basketball  
Leonard School park  
Common Park Lawrence Park Howard Park  
brook park-hang around  
common park. slides baseball and ride bikes  
BROOK PARK  
Common Park -walk around Brook park- Play Basketball  
The football field to run an excersize  
Leonard School playground. I walk around and hang out with my friends.  
Common Skate Park  
no answer  
the common leahy and leonard school  
Leonard school, park I walk around and hang out with my friends  
common park walk my dog  
Bradford st  
common park 1 new the loop  
Common Park  
oneil, brook, howard i like to play baseball there  
common park  
i play baseball i visit common park more street  
shawsheen park  
Leonard skate park Common park Basketball court in the leonard  
common park to play baseball  
The south Common The Common Brooks Park I use all these facilities for football

brook park squirrel park  
howard park play baseball common  
Common Park ride bike  
Common park brook park random park walk around play tag and talk  
The school park is the only one I go to and I play footcall and casketball  
common park leonard park howard park  
leonard school playground hang out with friends, walking  
Common Park Howard Park Brooke park  
none  
common park  
solamente el parque la ardilla  
caminar  
-cerca de la woodland Street o arca el acueducto. -WI parque conocido como la ardilla  
No se solo e ido a un parque y no me se el nombre  
yo no boy a los parques  
Comic park  
parque de las jardillas  
campos de futbol americano canchas de baloncesto teatro al aire libre  
cancha de baloncesto juego vasque piscina aprender a nadar canchas de biesbol  
YMCA nadar baloncesto  
NO  
Common park eneille park  
common park/ to play on my bike with my friends  
none  
skateboard park skateboarding  
One of the parks called Squirrel Park. I go to run around.  
football field baseball field basketball field  
common park  
common park for bike riding and running  
Squirrel park, O'Neil park. To hang around with friends  
They should put more money  
common park/carnivals  
common park  
common park the park in back of the oliver  
common park, park behind the oliver  
common park/ reservoir  
I don't go to playgrounds  
slides, monkey bars, swings  
slide, monkey bars, swings, free running  
common park to play games and to chill  
I see people play baseball and basketball  
I don't go to playgrounds  
common park campignone park  
Riverfront park, common park and O'Neil park  
swings. monkey bars, slide, freedom air

none

#### 4. What concrete actions should the City take to improve open space and recreation?

#1) Supervised by each neighborhood association, as the Mount Vernon Neighborhood Association, of which I am a member, have a centralized and developed area/open space to have outdoor association meetings in each neighborhood.

#2) Provide safe locations where individuals can barbecue and enjoy their neighborhood.

-connections -maintenance

Inspire/hire young people to care for our environment and open space

Inventory all the vacant lots

Dog Parks, involve neighbors and list all

Make the space accessible to all ages

make use of all the empty lots in the city

Reassessment and reinvestment

Increase area's example water plant area Increase cleaning maintenance (use of sheriff work groups)

develop more open space on Tower Hill through use of water dept. land

1) Better pedestrian access to Den Rock 2) Maintain existing parks

clean + maintain

maintenance

Instead of building housing and parks, the city should build more entertainment places for the youth

-maintenance

cleaner places

Fixing the park up like some basketball hoops are broken and they leave it like that.

clean them

Use space wisely--We have a lot of parks but parks are only useful in the summer. There has to be more than that.

maintenance, safety

clean, recycle

To put the word out and let people know about these things.

The mills that aren't being used, can be turned into useful places.

need for more

as money allow

city needs to publicize the parks, keep them clean and engage users to keep them clean. The hill off Storrow Park is a mess with litter, overgrown and stairs need to be fixed

-Create a bike/walking trail that is continuous with other trails throughout the county/state

-Take on the Alleyways as a green way.

more trash cans, better care of current open spaces and more of them

Plant more trees, plant gardens, keep grass cut

Take ownership of all its alleyways in the North Common

Continue with SPicket River cleanup, creating 3 mile path. Continue with N. Common alleyway improvements

Love the idea of a Merrimack Riverwalk.

Don't know-this city procrastinates

none

-connections

-maintenance

Teen activities

Making sure that any graffiti or trash at the playgrounds are cleaned up. If we don't show that, that behavior will not be tolerated it will continue. I also think that trash receptacles and hearty plants in area will help make areas more pleasing to the eye and make people want to visit a local park, rather than going to a neighboring town that takes the time to show pride.

MONITOR ACTIVITIES & PROPERTIES ON A REGULAR SCHEDULE. MAINTAIN VANDALISM REPAIRS.

FOR EXAMPLE, THE CHAIN LINK PERIMETER FENCE AT MT. VERNON PARK ON THE WEST SIDE HAS BEEN CUT FOR "SNEAK THROUGHS".

Have planned activities in the park to get people interested in using the space; do things to make the parks more active, like having vendors, art shows, concerts, etc.; publish a brochure or have a website devoted to the open spaces in Lawrence for new and current residents - sort of like a park "trail"

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Improve maintenance and upkeep of playgrounds; keep sandboxes clean and filled with sand!! Improve signage and crosswalk markings for access

Leave the wet lands as they are. They protect from floods & it gives the wild life a place to call home since all the woods are being taken away from the wild life.

Take better care of our facilities and more focus on recreation for all citizens  
they should fix the swings or the ground because there messed up

I don't know

more activities at the park, such as parades, shows, etc.  
they should take down old stuff and build new ones.

Clean the grass.

I think the concrete action the city should take is to protect the parts of Lawrence from littering and other damaging items by adding security.

paro los portivos es tener una de porte para ganar uno trofeo

mes juego or diuevaion(?)

game and more plants

Plant flowers and try some flowers that are not common in the area and more flower to keep the air clean in my opinion to much cars and pollution we need more trees and flowers.

tienen que tener mas limpieza para tener mas espacio abierto

They should do what's best for the city.

Recoger la basura y cortar up poco la gramma.

Creo que si deberia hacer lo posible para mejorar los parques. Talvez limpiarlos y cortar la grama mas a menudo haci sera un lugar mas apropiado para los deportes.

limpiarlos mejor

-see what people have to say and make a space suitable for everybody.

take down parks that are disgusting build something safer for friends

clean them more

Clean-cut grass-maintain park

THey should just do what they have to do.

They need people to realize that we need open space.

clean fix water fountain fix swings

a skate board park

skate park

cleaning (once a week)

Reparacion de algunos columpios    Traer deportistas destacados paradar alguna clinica abierta a la jurentud.

Darle mantenimiento continuo

Mantenerlos limpios

more lighting after dark or brighter bulbs

benches at the "Rez"!

All parks, schools, stadium, etc should all have separate recycling recepacles! (At all times)!

allocate more resources to parks maintenance/upkeep

support Groundwork community gardens (help build more!)

continue building new riverfront parks and trails

Not sure

more maintenance

1. enhance and improve the river bank on the north side of the merrimack river from the boys club to the water treatment plant for passive recreation use

2. extend the south side merrimack river walkway from the boat house to the andover line and the andover 4 mile long riverside trail

I would love a dog park and would get very involved in working to make it happen

Keep area clean, and free from ICE and SNOW

increase police presence to decrease drug activity

maintenance, lighting @ night for vandalism prevention, general cleanliness.

I always bring a trash bag and pick up litter while my kids play. In other communities there is not as much trash, broken glass, etc... even in parks where the equipment is fairly new - like the north common playground or the Mt. Vernon - there are broken bottles and other stuff that is just unsafe for kids.

Rebuild all the parks that are in place already. Use the actual taxes that is taking out of my check to do so!

I believe the city should build private housing for homeless people or do a project that contributed to the children so that they can do something creative during their time off. or for students that have droped out of school that dont have jobs.

HAVE NEWER PLAYGROUND FOR KIDS AND FOR PERBERTON PARK NEW PLAYGROUND.

We need more security more surveillance. we need more programs for children in this community so they could be active. We have a high percentage on obesity due to limited activties in the community for low income families.

raise money

make them bigger

a skate park

they need more basketball tracks

make a baseball park

get rid of old factories and abandond houses

need a pond

No trash, no grafitti, no bumbs, no riping nets off basketball , no littering.

more lights on Avon St. Better skate park at Leonard School

The city should have a pet park to walk dogs, more spot lights, snd city lights.

BasketBall Court

they should put a pool place indoors.

fix the hole in the street

The city should improve churches and the inside of them because it's really important

A football field

use parking lots as activity center

A playground that is biug and kids could use.

make more baseball parks

Put nets on all of the hoops.

Basketball Court

A water fountain at every Park

Basket Ball Courts.

the city should but a store or a teen center to all of the parks. Im sure more people would go.

Get rid of unstable and burnt down houses

Football field for kids agess 11-15

A water fountain

the roads old school building

Want to make a baseball field

get rid of old factories

football field

fix the holes in the st

Football field

gardens

A public football field

A huge baseball field

To have more gardens

Clean them add tennis courts

That they should but a grass hockey field

A water fountain in every park

they should build a center with activities that offer scholarships. activities:dance, singing, acting, playing ball

tennis, volleyball

football field

We should put more cement

Dance school including ballet, hip hop, R&B, Reggae, ice scream shops

There should more parks with at least for more swings ages 10 to 13 only

The skate park

use parking lot and make it an activity center

they should keep it cleaner and a little more safer like more ladders

1. Put rides to go on. 2. Put baseball fields. 3. Put a path for us to walk and throw the water

Make more baseball parks

They should put more security and police

They should put some places with pools in it and to do lots of celebrations in December.

stop throwing the trash in the streets and make basketball courts.

no braking things in the park no people sleeping no litterng no graffiti

A teen place

I think the city should recreate new basketball courts for certain age groups and grades

no trash, no pullin wires, no public drunkers.  
no littering  
they should put more swing seats  
no trash , no hobos.  
make basketball park  
they should make a place for people to chill and make more activities  
no drunk people  
a dog park would help people walk their dogs and play with their dogs  
a dog park  
clean park no littering  
more lights  
yes a pond with a bridge across it. more lights.  
they should put some places with pools in it and to do lots of celebrations in december  
more lights  
the skate park  
More Houses  
pond with a wooden bridge over it and more lights  
more space, more jobs  
need a pond, more lights  
Make a dog park  
to just clean up lawrence  
better buildings  
they should make a basketball court in the common park for kids 13 and under for a certain time.  
The damn drugs we should stop it now  
Big parking lots  
there should be basketball, baseball courts and field near some parks  
take off some of the grass and fix benches.  
fix the gang writing, make more water parks and more football fields  
Basketball courts or shelters  
places for jogging,more spotlights on parks  
They should have more policeman around the parks  
making abandoned buildings a park or place for kids  
basketball court  
mantenerlos en buen esado  
limpieza e iluminacion  
-fondos economicos y esfuerzo (?) de la comunidad. Educar a la comunidad pon(?)dejar los parques limpios, y cuidarlos.  
Seguir cuidando los parques como lo que estan haciendo ahora.  
limpiar las cayes y proveer a la jentes que no tires basura en la caye  
Que cada uno tengan un parqueo  
poner covija para el sol  
eso yo no lo se muy bien porque no regalo mi pago  
de futbol para chicos y lo que sea  
que entodos los parques que pongan canchas de baloncesto solo para ninos de 9 a 13  
football field

Baseball field  
a baseball park  
A playground around Berkley St for children to use.  
common park  
I don't know and I really don't care  
fix up the streets and make parks for kids safer, no glass in the playground  
cracks on the road  
put more money in it  
lock up basketball courts after 10pm  
the city should clean it like pick up the trash and put new benches,fix streets  
use vacant land  
make football fields or baseball

**5. Are you satisfied with the outdoor places for play and recreational use for children under 12?**

	Number of Respon- sive(s)	Respon- sive Ratio
Yes	115	41%
No	89	31%
Not Sure	79	28%
<b>Total</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>100%</b>

Don't have children  
x for alleyways  
their should always be that availability  
The parks that I have been, there is more trash than I care to speak of. Our children are subject to seeing dirty diapers, cig. butts and broken bottles.  
SEA SAW & MERRY-GO-ROUNDS ADDED  
Equipment is often broken or missing entirely; play spaces are dirty and waste barrels not always available to that we might clean up before play.  
need to be kept clean  
but have heard parents say playgrounds are lacking for tots  
for the most part, but please see #7  
COULD BE BETTER  
I think it is very dirty they don't keep any of the parks cleaned. the city don't fix any of the equipment in the parks for children to use.  
The Howard park has something that if the kids get near it they can fall  
in a lot of the parks the basketball courts are broken  
Deben tener mas seguridad y supervisión

**6. Are you satisfied with the outdoor places for play and recreational use by children between 12-18?**

	Number of Respon- sive(s)	Respon- sive Ratio
Yes	104	38%
No	106	38%

Not sure	66	24%
<b>Total</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>100%</b>

x for alleyways

The Mount Vernon park-clean and well lit, but more lights near the woods. Too many kids being rude and disrespectful-they weren't even from the area.

We do not have children or grand children in this age group

need a full size slo-pitch field and full size baseball field

they don't have a lot of varieties

Need more basketball courts

i'm sure though that more outdorr neighborhood basketball courts would be heavily utilized

Tons of ballfields in the city, lots of basketball courts, sailing, rowing, new football stadium,

I believe these places should be drug free and that these children be watched at all time because this is the time when kids experiment on things.

mas seguridad y supervision

#### 7. What changes would you like to see in the outdoor places for play and recreational used by children under 12 and 12-18?

more of both

More school gardens-ways for kids to learn about their own backyard

green and healthy place

Better upkeep and security

under 12- better safety 12-18-fields be maintained

a couple more basketball courts wouldn't hurt

safe area for children with less older teens and young adults hanging out

develop more open space in lower Tower hill N.

make walkways/sidewalks from schools

maintain + repair

more playgrounds unused space

Better care of our current facilities

cleaner & more maintained & safe.

-Make parks in suburban areas, since most parks are in the middle of the city.

more activities for them to play

I would like it to be safer for kids under 12 because theirs lots of fights at the park, for kids of the ages 12-18 is

for things to be fixed so they wont go there to bother others.

cleaner places.

Maybe having roofed areas with more benches for people to sit. more swings for younger kids.

For 12 years its fine but ages 12-18 there should be a place that has fun activities for age group 12-18

more safety

Maybe to be safer and maybe more clear so it can be safe- for kids to play in.

The changes are that the skate parks should be fixed for the 12-18 ages and more supervision for younger kids.

lighting

I'd like to see 12-18 in the parks rather than hanging around. Put up lights so parks can be used a night

12-18: skateboard park, bmx park, well lit basketball courts

more access to the river

alleyway maintenance with help of residents

Maybe more hands-on volunteer opportunities to help their community be a good place to live.

12 -structured event areas 12-18= Team effort/Group activity

More basketball courts

none

more of both

activities and groups

More police patrolling when the parks are open, so that young family members can enjoy the park and NOT have to confront or tolerate rude, sexualized comments and conversation from youth. If they know the police make their presence known they may be more aware that their actions WILL have consequences. Keeping up with the trash and graffiti on the equipment. Possible group activites to help occupy the teenagers that don't have supervision, i.e. peer leaders,pickup games.

Same as general improvements, but I would also add better maintenance of grass and plantings

more suppervision

Basketball Courts

better lighting

under 12- more play area [swings,aid? 12-18- more seats and swings

They should add more things to the parks.

put water bubblers and make swings safer

More activities at the parks.

More activities for us to do.

The swings you have to make them safe. Fix the water bubbles.

nothing

I would like to see more benches and places for shade during the summer.

I think it'd be best to build restroom instead of using port-o-potties cause throughs are more sanitary and safer.

Si esta vien como de 18 ano a 22 x 12

Nose.

I was like to see more kids in parks

Places with security yet a beutifull park that flourishes with plants and animals/ wildlife

quiero mas espacio para entre tenimiento para nosotros jovenes.

For under 12 to make places to play more playful so basically to just add better young activites.

No basura

En los parques, un poco mas de limpieza y talvez mas lugares de juego de ninos. En los escenarios deportivos:

mas asientos en buenas condiciones donde los expectadores puedan sentarse.

ningun cambio

-make them strictly for kids 12-18 and put in more sport space and put clubs that older kids help younger kids do acitvities in parks.

more games/playgrounds for kids. something entertaining for teenagers

under 12- more Jungle gyms 12-18- hang out places-centers (free)

I would like to see the parks more clean not as many bottles and trash. For people 12-18 I don't really know. I

mean it should be equal to everyone but im npt sure

The playground to be cleaner and a seperate place for teenagers to hang out.

add mural? / paintings/graffiti to make it look nice

a skate board park

skate park

more skate parks.

Less pollution and less conflict within people.

clinica oreintadora de practicas.

mas de portes para ninos 12 y 18 anos

Mejores coridiciones y limpieza

Cualquier equipo que sea buenas para ellos

Mejor-Mantenimiento

A skating park

under 12- high-quality playgrounds (like South Common) in every neighborhood.

12-18: more soccer fields + environmental education opportunities

more

I would like that have free softball programs for youth

see above

make it more clean, with light at night

but have heard parents say playgrounds are lacking for tots, I'm sure though that more outdoor neighborhood

basketball courts would be heavily utilized

need structured activity

RE: Mt.Vernon Park playground - the equipment is nice/new BUT it lacks a good slide or climbing piece for kid age 4-8. There is a nice "toddler" slide, and a piece of equipment with a rock wall and sliding poles that is very neat for kids age 8+, but no traditional slide/climber for the usually playground age child - 4 - 8.

Would love to see a playground @ the Frost School.

Updated playgrounds.

I want to see these places drug free clean and safe for the kids to play without getting stung with a needle used by drug addicts.

MORE BASKETBALL COURT

more programs in the community for these children and to offer them scholarships to become someone.

make swings higher

and make the picnic areas cleaner! make the monkey bars higher for older kids, chessboards, make swings higher

make different sections and more swings higher

make swings higher

make swings fix courts

clean parks only around 12 year olds and 18 year olds unless accompanied by an adult

handball court hang out spot bike ramps

cleaner

more and better swings , very long and high slides.

Clean and fun basketball court.

bigger and better skate park

A bowling place, and a roller skating place.

I don't know

I think they should put chain nets so it won't break.

it could be cleaner and have more games

Basketball

BASKETBALL COURTS

The changes I would like to see are skating parks. They should add more ramps to them

Playing Manhunt

more sport equipment like basketball hoops

the swings are broken fix the hoops for basketball

Make a little playground for kids under 12. Also put basketball hoops and football station for 18 year olds.

More Swings

cleaner more / more space for kids

I would like there to be more seats and water fountains

under 12 playgrounds

I would want to see more space for the little kids. to separate the park like one side for older people

T would change the pollution habits on parks and streets

More Swings

I would like I would like to invent something new like a way to talk from feet away in parks

cleaner parks new basketball hoops

clean parks

I would like to see protection for the children

A big football field for big people.

cleaner parks

None

A big baseball field

Okay

more parks fix swings more space for

water fountains

No answer

More skate Parks

safer cleaner more fun activities to do

I say more protection for the children, water fountains

cleaner safer better basketball courts

I don't play outside but I do hang out with my friends outside, so I would say nice and cleaner places.

A baseball field

I would like to see skating parks

basketball court

need to expand playgrounds, add safer swings.

In parks there should be two people swing's and more seating places

Fields

I would like to see new seats outside

want a basketball court

I would like to see a park with a lot of sports and activities that teenagers like, park with

skateboards,basketball court. A park all ages can go to. A theme park and sport park

more swings

more basketball hoops and cleaner

I would like to see a bike park

more games like kids or our age or basketball courts

big old abandoned buildings in Lawrence should be taken down, and be put to use for children and teenagers

changes I would change would be a little more protection and more fences(under 12)(over 12) make more things

for older and fix swings and chain nets for basketball

baseball fields, swimmind pools, basketball, volleyball

longer slides better swings

hard swings

I dont know

no glass play full big play ground

under 12 Not sure 12-18 Not sure

Well a basketball, baseball field, football field, tennis and soon

A lot in all schools

put everything new and put new ones.

more swings longer slides better basketball courts

12 they should be in the playground 12-18 need to go on going bus could play basketball

I would like to see stores lower the candy because they are getting expensive

longer slides, unbreakable swings

the chnages they can make is to make a playground for kids all ages

I would like to see benches people should be allowed in park after dark

basketball courts

longer slides, umbreakable swings.

no concrete

football field and basketball courts

12-14= More active and place to chill 15-18= help them get scholarship to school

I want people to try to fix that little problem at Howard park

skate parks basketball court

a little chill spot our age

new swings

No violence going to school or work

a little chill spot for our age

handball courts bike ramps

a lot in school

A little chillin spot for our age

more dancing place and kid places.

to put an a set of swings

12-18 Make them bigger

handball courts hangout for teens bike ramps

parks should be safer for little kids but for big kids it should be fun

I would like to see six flags and places just for us

handball court, bike ramps

swings for baby swimming pool rubber ground

clean up the town put street lights on

more basketball courts

park should be safer for toddlers

the people fighting age 18 down doing drugs in the parks

people shouls play at parks all the time

football field basketball court and baseball

i would change the ages from 12-15. you can play in a baseball field with lights

a place for big kids and a place for for small kids.

the changes are more water parks-12 something and fix the swings

More Basketball courts and fields

i think we should make a water park and roller coaster

a handball court a place where kids can hang out eat and hang blowing, roller skating place

They should have more handball courts and basketball courts. They should have a court for only kids 6-13.

celebration party for each holiday

18 to make a skate park fix swings new game

a handball wall

Haber mas parques para ninos de 12 años

mas actividades y mas comunicacion acerca de programas

-mas limpios -mejores se requiredad(?) -mas supervision y presentacion

mas diversion, juegos, no tan infantiles como los que hay.

que pagan las luces en la cayes y en los parques.

bueno son muchos porque aunque ellos sean grande necesitan recreatividad tienen que poner juegos pero no de los chiquitos. otra cosa que le pueda gustar.

que tengan mejores equipos

para los 12 me gostaria ver pajase para las

bueno yo quisiera ver algunos cambios

que podamos jugar todos juntos y no pelear por las bolas de baloncestos

NO

futbol para ninos de 12 o 18 y para los ninos

yo creo que para los ninos de middle school pudieramo tener nuestro propio stadio de baloncesto

safety

football field

none

nothing

more baseball parks

more basketball courts

no changes

more fun things

nothing

I like rapping and I like to play baseball

none

to be a good place

fix the floor for little children won't fall

more swings and see-saws for more children to play

recreation centers

same as 2

**8. Are you satisfied with the outdoor places for play and recreational use for adults?**

	Number of Respon- se(s)	Respon- se Ratio
Yes	76	27%

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No	109	39%
Not Sure	95	34%
<b>Total</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>100%</b>

More open space be made available in each neighborhhod for adult get-togethers. Neighborhood clean-up ( volunteer ) is needed in each neighborhood.

we need a riverwalk/run bike trails

but we could do more

x alleyways

Would like to have a theatre where I could walk to.

None that I know of

Having proper lighting in the woody areas of the parks so the adults can do early morning or late night walks after the little ones go to sleep.

We could use better marking of walking trails, with distances of walks.

NOT REALLY MUCH TO DO

#### 9. What changes would you like to see in the oudoor places for play and recreational use by adults?

Better lighting, benches etc.

trail improvements

More Trails for bike/walk/run

Track similar to High School Track or lightering @ Common and Sign St.

-same-

More places for excercise purposes i.e. Track

...not sure

more protection (protected areas)

I would like more space for basketball or softball in my neighborhood.

Keep nets on B-ball hoops

better safety conditions

A safe location for outdoor activities such as walking + jogging

cleaner.

-more walking trails and excercising equipment such as the park located in Methuen, behind the MarketBasket, AJ Wright, Dots Plaza

to get up and at least do something

I think its alright but they also cause lots of disturbance like argumnets between one another.

more jogging routes.

Maybe more places to exercise or have cookouts with families

I don't know

Are there any?

Maybe cleaner so it can attract more adults to fo there.

They should fix up the places for elderly people.

cleanliness, police patrols

I'd like to see them better maintained, lights cleaner

-bike trails (along river) -I would love to see people using the Alleyways as walkways

more of them. community gardens

would like more lighting in the main common

more spaces to go running-long trails etc more gardens more access to the river

Tennis court- Bocce Court- Horshoe court volley Ball. WOULD love to see a gazebo in the open space next to the

"OUR HOUSE" Community CTR. on Newbury/E HAv. Sts.

advertisement of events

Walking places other than the reservoir

none

trail improvements

more walking areas.

Same as above

None

See above

Dog walk- Bike Path

I think there should be more water bubblers and seats.

More chairs or benches in the park and basketball courts.

more benches

none

More romantic places! =)

nothing

water boberler.

I'm not sure because I don't know much about places for adults.

I think it'd be best to have shacks and drink bar (without alcohol) to keep them distracted.

reunion para los adultos y para los menores deportivos de futbol

Nose

Things that make them feel like they're in the outdoors not in the city/town but with plants

Necesitan algun espacio que tengan mas cosas para ellos hacer

To make it more adultish. To make outdoors for adults more workful and like picnic and walking paths.

No basura

ningun cambio

-Adults should have a place where they can go and relax and not worry about their kids getting hurt. Board games like Dominos or any grown-up activity.

not sure?

I don't know

I'm not sure.

More parking spots closer to the playground

more tennis court

nothing

skate park

More areas to gather and socialize. Areas to study during the warm seasons.

Actividades de charlas orientadora

Que agan actividades para las personas adultas.

Banos con seguridad

Mantenerlos limpios

Nueva-Grama

more benches and gardens

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more walking + biking trails    more outdoor concerts/cultural programs    more community gardens  
more places

I would like to see more tennis court

varous age categories would have different needs/interests. i'm happy i live next to the reservoir and cemeteries which provide good walking opportunities. would like to see improvements as indicated above. also specifically, a couple of benches along the reservoir walkway would be nice. also i wish the city was more bicycle friendly.

Fixing railing at STORROW park down by the steps; and keep the area free from ice and snow. Last years was a POOR result.

walking trails and bathrooms

unsure

PROMOTION! Den rock park or the Lawrence Boathouse are both great but neither has the resources to advertise or create a "friends of" group. Many Lawrence residents are not even aware of these resources.

Updated and up keep of these places

I would like to see more adults working or doing community work instead of using drugs.

DO KNOW

make an old people section

places to play dominoes and chess

fix streets

No answer

neighborhood watching    cameras    safe place to walk at night

domino table

do track on the track make them run.

security cameras

Security cameras, safe place for adults

They should put a water fountain and cut some branches because you could slip on the leaves that fall.

make a race for them to run

different games for them

To make better churches so people could notice that their churches

Not sure

give them more things to do like domino table

fix the path for walking

I wouldn't change anything.

I would like there to e more seats and water fountains

parks should be only for adults to walk and to play games with other people.

adults usually throw cigaretts and garbage on the floor and that should change

Don't Know

To get me money in the jobs

make track for them to run

I dont know

No school

make a place for them to walk around and run

I dont know

No school

keep streets clean without leaves or snow

gardens

Less clubs, and more safety Bars.

To not Liter

I dont know

Football Field

I would like to new seats, and playgrounds outside

trail, sitting area, pond, smoking area, picnic area, fishing area

Ponds

I would like to put new schools

A place for them to enjoy themselves, to relax after work,

tennis courts for adults

leave the basketball court for which the adults tske a break.

more benches and like domino play

More jobs would be great for Adults, some adults in lawrence need good jobs.

make trails a little wider and less of the street more bences and repave and pick up all the leaves.

check table

more better benches

House, me or you

no alcohol bigger slide and bigger swings

Not sure

I think tracks running places

Well I dont really know because thats a decision for adults.

fix all the side walks

benches picknik tables bathrooms

the look of the place clean the place clean the place and renew it

No answer

I think they should let more women play because there are usually more men

more benches

more benches

i dont know

more benches , check tables

fix the chair of the restaurant

security cameras

They should fix more the streets more parking and to clean the streets

nothing really

Picnic tables

there could be security cameras placed on street corners to ensure safety

cameras

I dont know

benches

cameras

neighborhood watch surveillance cameras park for dogs that are safe

well i dont really know because thats a desicion for adults

camaras, safe places

less clubs because it increases crime.

to put a long place to walk

Nothing

neighborhood watch at night safer places for adults to walk drug free park

i would like to see skate parks basketball sport track and other things

to be safe security cameras and near hoods

neighborhood watch, cameras, safe place for dogs

i dont know

Basketball court and gardens

not so much cost

basketball courts just for woman

dont know

i would like to see skate parks and besketball

A guards to protect us from harm

they shouls have basketball courts and football fields

Not Sure

make courts just for women

football field & flowers

my parents think it is just fine but more cocurity

More jogging places

roller coaster

more security cameras, a dog park

More gardens and sitting areas

no violence

more light or camera

que siempre se mantengan limpios y en buen estado.

mas limpieza e lluminacion

Pronovermas conocimiento y recreacion academia.

Todas las presentacions son un desastre balla, con y llada nos. Sin ninguna comciencia social de ser Hispanos

no se

me guataria que posieran una cancha donde se juega baloncesto

que pongan teatro al aire libre picinas para bebes ninos jovenes y aldutos

ninguno

nose que le guste

yo ne se porque yo no soy un adulto

NO

nose

ningunos

que tengan para deportivos para las mujeres

none

not sure

I don't know

the adults use it mostly to smoke

don't know

I like to play baseball

none  
 the places that we play to be good  
 not sure  
 a few things adults would actually enjoy for once  
 gardens  
 less clubs

**10. Are you satisfied with the programs for play and recreational use in the parks? What programs would you like to see?**

	Number of Responses	Response Ratio
Yes	93	36%
No	64	25%
Not sure	103	40%
<b>Total</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>100%</b>

more soccer- I haven't played in Lawrence yet  
 Signs for walking and measures distance!  
 I would like more community teen events such as movie nights at the parks or a teen bbq.  
 more jogging routes.  
 They should hold more events to bring people together and clean up.  
 THey hsould make festivals and other things to bring together.  
 The should be more adults watching childrens  
 adult sports leagues and pickup games  
 Environmental education. Guided nature walks/hikes  
 Map and then post on the City's web site the bike & walking paths.  
 Band concerts (like Methuen), movies  
 I never hear of programs for woman or preschoolers.  
 Parks are often over programed, and closed to kids who just want to play. Too much Little League, not enough pick up ball!!  
 I think there should be ymca and more activities  
 Parades, shows, parties, and more  
 I would like to see places to be able to go in for especially the winter.  
 I'd like to see T.V networks on sport courts to entertain us while working out.  
 That teach you about plants and plant life and how to plant.  
 I would like to see more playgrounds and swings and nice and undamaged basketball courts.  
 They just build parks and leave the idea there when they need to do more  
 Hay pocas: Los discapacidas no teinen programas gimnacia fisica adaptordas a ellos.  
 Aquellos que estan cerrados deben abrirse al pueblo  
 Programas deportivos  
 more education tied to recreational programs-support environmental stewardship  
 I would like to see more playground for kids.  
 I do think that an instructional tennis program at the reservoir summers would be good for youth and adults  
 we do not really use the "programs" we just use the equipment on our own time

i would like to see more community programs so that the community can get well aquainted.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS

better equipment and safer

I would like to see swings

basketball programs

i would like to see more sporrt activities because getting active is good

Basketball

Basketball teams

they need basketball courts. and a talent show

volleyball and theater parks.

I would like to see a skate Parks

Basketball

i would like to see more like carnival or holiday activies

Yes programs for play and recreational use would be good for fitness of children.

more helping teens activities and basketball tounaments and play more teams and arts and crafts, theater camps

Baseball

I would like to see another boys and girls club beacause it is really fun

I would like to see an art program

the program they should do that if some students dont make the team for sport they should make teams to help them become better

soccer softball baseball but they should have a basketball court

Baseball programs batting cages.

more dancing places and drama mocking.

more creative programs

Circus

wiffle ball

no teen tagging in Lawrence court or home walls and school

in parks they should have basketball tournaments

basketball football bowling

more guards in parks because sometimes its not safe

I would like to see field hockey programs

modelaje

como asel ejercicios en una pisinas

programas de empusa familiares

musica

baseball games or football games and basketball

YMCA programs

play baseball

They're good the way they are

#### 11. What overall goals should the City set for recreation and open space?

To use ( any ) existing state/federal monies to create and maintain on a regular basis existing open space and to

NOT mis-use monies slated for this purpose for any other project.

connections

More green corridors-along river, streets (bike lanes)

Possible DOg Park South and North

security

TO put them to proper use.

neiborhood cookouts

not sure yet.

Connect open spaces- improve sidewalks, rail trail? walkways, use/access to rivers

they should maintain and clean them to provide a safer environment

A solid five year plan with realistic goals

THey shuold try to install more fun teenager places like bowling alleys and cafe.

clean open space for theire can be more active and more better.

I would like to see activities going on for people to go or sign up like basketball tournaments.

clean open space for people to jog, play sports

keep them clean

A fun place where all ages can enjoy

make them safe and cleaner and fun.

More events to bring people together in our cause for a healthy environment.

Maybe, take down places that are not being used, for space.

safe recreational places

open space is needed in every neighborhood so people can walk to it and feel ownership

more people checking childrens for the safety

-Bike and walking trails (expanding)

-Exproving Alleyway use as green space

better maintenance all the time not just before the feast of the 3 saints.

maintain clenliness, removal of trash/ liter, keep grass cut.

maintain cleanliness & safety

create a diverse set of programs and parks

preserve history

See above

maintenance/ creativity use of area

more fund raisers

connections

geting teen out of streets

cleaning up.

police patroling.

lighting of walkways.

#### PROPER MAINTENANCE AND UPKEEP OF EXISTING FACILITIES.

To have every open space be a programmed and active part of the city for all residents to enjoy

Clean up and safety

Make safe and clean areas available for kids of all ages to play.

Set golas for the future and stick to the plan

I think they should make more parks but also to walk around.

Should add another skate park that is bigger than the first.

IDK!

to appeal to people of all races and ages  
To make things better  
more parks, clean the area  
fix the parks there  
I think maybe things that can be used by kids as well as teens and adults.

The overall goals the city should set are:

1) finding ways to clean park and keep park cleans, and 2) Add food and non-alchoholoc drink bars and stacks.

No esue eno asi porque acer parque es esto nota  
con pantalla.

They should make more parks including me we should make this area more natural with the environment  
necesitan mas opiniones para hacer algo diferente.

Well first of all it should be safe and definitly very clean and to always have someone who can help around that  
are like a lifeguard or something.

Limpiar

Talvez ponerse la meta de limpiarlos todos los meses y poner mas seguridad para que no hallan problemas  
nada

Comment for above: People don't really care about programs anymore and that is really important because how-a-days parks are used for bums to slepp and for people to smoke

Q11:

-make an open space that is really an "open sapce" that is suitable for kids, teenagers, and adults, even old  
people who want to enjoy a park.

gardens, pathways, gazebos!

places to relax!

more activities

more activities for youth

It should be a safe area and something clean and have a nurse nearby incase if a kid gets injured.

Overall goals have the place le cleaner

made it a prettier space + safer + funner

to make a skate park

skate park

TO much parking spaces. We can do more thing build more thing for kids

To have more residents attend

To be more clean

TO keep these places fun, yet safe at the same tieme.

Mayor programacion y mejor convocatoria.

Integrar a la juventud de la secundaria.

Que puedan lograr todas las metas propuestas.

Buscar mesedios(?) de fundaciones

Peder colaboracion de la comunidad

Crear una cerento

A way to satisfy the general public

increased quality + quantity of open space, esp in underserved neighborhoods. A place for everyone to enjoy the  
oudoors.

not sure

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The showcase cinemax is closed, I will like that they put eigther' skateland or any youth and adult play place.

Clean-up

not sure

Protect and enhance existing open space, especially on the rier banks plus define and improve linkages between green areas, neighborhoods and parks and emphasis on aesthetically historical recreational aspects.(2004 goals were great!)

cleanliness

decrease gang/drug activity

investing in maintenance. Seems like this is starting to happen.

More parks for the kids to play in so they are not playing in the middle of the streets.

the overall goal for the city should be a drug free place.

BETTER PARK

MORE PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES.

knock old buildings down

home for the poor

Cleanliness

Security

more activities

Make more spaces for swings

more activities

Cleaner places.

well you should put a program that takes you to fun places in the summer

more activities

No answer

i think they should make a pool but indoors or water fountains.

cleaner places

goals city should recreate are skate parks, Basketball, baseball fields and churches

places for people who want to have wrestling careers.

make space for courts and swings

make a baseball field

Not sure

stuff for kids

I would like to see more gyms

i would want them to put a teen center for teens can go and do their homework. an all day program

to make better places for everyone

If I can set the city for recreation and open space I will put a house

clean add more equiptment

I dont know

A lot of football field

cleaner places

Yes

they should make necessary needs for pre-teens after kid before teenager

safety

Football field

More skate Parks

Have more gardens, and places to playmore  
cleaner safer  
make sure it stays clean.  
Pond Bike path, swimming pool, sketa parks, football field.  
I would like new gyms  
clean  
clean parks, add more activities, build more centers and reuse all the open space that we dont need.  
Pond and bike paths  
New schools  
Theme Parks and activities centers.  
Parks that have more swings for kids ages 10 to 14 only  
cleaner  
Its fine  
courts and swings  
i say, if i were to be mayor of the city i would not make any changes  
a teen center with a safe place teens can go hang out and and talk about their problems with someone  
trustworthy.  
more planting trees open space  
Ice Hockey  
indoor football and baseball  
Baseball parks  
they should have security and protection for children  
Lots like basketball and baseball places  
make it a teen center  
they should make it a park with leaves  
An overall goal would be to lower prices on candy in stores  
more trees, more paths, more open space  
more clean, more space  
more planting, activities, path baseball field  
make basketball park  
there should be more rides in the hispanic festival  
I think they should but move active gangs on the city  
I want people to try to fix that little problem at Howard park  
there should be more activities  
I dont know  
more planting,more baseball fields.more walking paths, trees,  
Let people over 14 work for a living  
more kid place and less clubs for adults.  
more fun places for the kids  
Houses  
handball  
make community fun for kids  
laws and traffic  
more swings  
better park

clean up perserve of the streets, better police  
that it will look better  
destroy some of the factorys that are not in use and make a park or a court  
make community fun for kids  
an indoor pool and basketball court. A program to do this  
football fiels  
basketball court  
Not Sure  
they should take out the factorys they don't use  
put bike land  
they should make a goal is parks should'nt have a time to close  
More basketball courts football fiels soccer fields  
we should encourage kids to join lbgc  
they should have more activities  
more things like parades or things that the whole family can do  
parks that have tracks and basketball courts that are only for ages 15 and down kids.  
i don't know  
river, money  
Hacer mas actividades diferentes para la recreacion infantil  
mas apoyo  
Mejor vision positive hacia lo que somos(?):  
Educarnos. Economicamente, socialmente, juridicament, jundiconare, intelectualmente saber donde estamos  
pisando  
esta bien como esta creo que ninguna.  
buscar policias mejores y meter los ladrones en carse  
que pongan pisinas para bebes ninos jovenes y adultos  
nada  
NO  
no se  
que pongan cancha de baloncesto  
add at least a small park with swings and slides for young children.  
skateparks  
I like music  
I don't have anything in mind  
make a park with things that both children and adults will enjoy. also a shady place  
skate parks  
building a better school

**12. What do you see as the City's biggest obstacle to improving open space and recreation?**

- #1) Lack of interest by MOST residents in helping to maintain open space/recreation areas.
- #2) Cut-backs in monies needed for such.
- #3) Not having enough media coverage on existing/proposed projects and having periodic neighborhood meetings on these projects.

money  
political will  
Essex Co.

DPW should contract GWL not just to do the open space planning but the operations and maintenance as well.

-Better lightening

Groundworks- Very nice =)

security and maintenance

Vandalism and lack of use.

money problems

-the absence of a City Parks and Recreation Plan

poor property value, lack of ownership/ literally and figuratively in communities

lack of funds or employees to maintain

in a word money

keeping it clean & maintained w/ no graffiti on things.

the city's input

Getting people to participate.

One of them is peoples attitude towards others.

The trash.

creativity in creating more yet different things

safety and graffiti on playgrounds etc.

that nobody chooses to start so nobody will follow. "Nobody cares so why should I?"

The trash that is scattered on the streets and maybe sme peoples attitude.

The obstacle is the people that litter.

money, money

money

money

people should relate more to work together

-money

-the alleyways are not owned by the city.

usage and litter.

THe city cleans up before the feast of the 3 Saints, but NOT afterward. We still have confetti on the garden st +

in the vacan lots that is not cleaned up.

money

stopping grafittie, getting businesses and residents/visitors to have more respect in careing for their city.

\$ and manpower

money, volunteers-

kids with bad behavior

money

political will

Essex Co.

teenagers that have little or no respect or pride for their community. Creating groups or clubs that are centered around the community, maybe they could earn extra credit towards school. I think having our youth more involved with community and showing them that helping their neighbors helps to make stronger communities that come together in a time of happiness and crisis!

VANDALISM & UNSUPERVISED TEENS

Lack of funding and maintenance

Money

Finances, so we need to organize more volunteers and to get more part time workers on board in the summer time. Once many teens found good summer jobs which often lead to life work goals and/or connections to city employment. These opportunities seem to have disappeared.

Keeping the trash away

attitude and money

the trees. I think

IDK

I don't know!

IDK.

using space wisely

People are not doing anything.

Idk

Maybe how people show bad appreciation.

THe biggest obstacle that the city hsould see is to prevent pollution and littering.

ir ajpaque

las gangas

Clean the Park

necesitan jente para saber lo que hacer.

To tell you the truth I dont really think the city cares that much about the outdoor fun activities and I really think the should change that because it can make a difference.

que no hay comunicacion y organisasion entre si.

la cooperacion de las personas

no lo se

- the city's biggest obstacle right now is the economy and everything that is going wrong right now and overall the people because if you don't have the support, nothing would work

everyones motivation, and the environment people complain but nothing gets done

All the streets; we're very urban & cramped

funds volunteers- space

Their very not giving and I personally dont think they care. If they did they would ot done something about it along time ago.

Keeping environment clean and good condition.

It's very dirty, trash everywhere! polluted river!

adults thinking the projects dangerous.

( "people will not be admited into the skatepark without a helmet.")

Lazy workers and the mayor

The biggest obstacle would be the mayor accepting it.

People coming together to clean a park or nearby river.

La apatia de la poblacion. Buscar metodos que integra a la poblacion a los actividades.

Falta de planificacion Falta de fiencionarios que luchen por lograr esta meta

Nieve en Inviero

No Hay dinero-en la cuidad

political will!

Funding

To many buildings

space available

keeping it clean and safe

lack of public awarenesss and participation. financing projects is always an issue.

funds

gang/drug activity

ACTUALLY DOING IT!!!!!!!

the people that dont let the city succeed are the only obsltacle

MONEY

Lack of security they don't give these children and families any opportunities.

gangs, drugs, they should put a big fence around the parks and lock it

were they put trash

Security

laws too much traffic too much money

littering vandalism

littering and grafitti, no loitering

Not clean.

money, traffic

Laws, to much traffic, and cost money.

economy, vandelism, littering

The biggest change are in the churches and inside them so people would feel free yo pray to god

Not sure

stop littering/ global warming

the taxes for houses

Not sure either

Gangs

I want roofs on top of the seats so when it rains we won't get wet

the biggest problem in the city has it that its a mess like dirty. it looks dirty.

polution

People going Drugs and drinking next to our parks.

The thing that is in the way is that there is no spas

that it is not clean and not safe some places

gangs, drugs, and more bad stuff

I dont know

All the bad things

it not clean

Gangs

safety

The lot in garden street

Drugs, gangs, and drugs dealers.

drugs vandalism

I would say safety and cars

drugs violence

The disrespect towards parks made by not only teens by adults.

Softball field

I would like seats with roofs on top for we won't get wet

drugs

rebuilding every school in lawrence!

Skate park

Nothing is going to stop me

My biggest concern is when I want to play basketball the fields are always full of men so we want to make a basketball court for women only

drugs

Skate park

they have to clean the litter and vandelism

i don't know

they are to many litterbugs and everything looks so run down well it is.

littering loitering graffiti

I dont know

Potholes

I think for money

that it is all messed up all of the parks are breaking.

littering argueing and fights

The city's biggest problem is money

loritering ,graffiti

loitering , certain time to leave the park

the biggest problem is the centent

littering loitering graffiti.

concrete

to much traffic

The biggest problems is that since the city doesnt help the people in the city, the people in the city dont help

I want people to try to fix that little problem at Howard park

money, gangs, and buildings

laws traffic money

I dont know

Lotering

The biggest obstacle to improve is less going to parties and court

laws traffic money

laws, money

to much traffic Money

Money problems and jobs.

to put on another set of park

people littering. trash and lots of houses

Making parking lots

traffic crosswalk people that actually do their jobs

how fast people trash it up and everything

laws and traffic

money, traffic

rubber ground

free helping programs

Nothing

money

good and bad!!! and cleaning up the bad people

Not Sure

money

look out for robbers

obstacle is put more trees and add water fountains

Taking the other places that are of no use

money because the economy is actually in debt

the traffic, money and more space

gas is the biggest and dirt and trash

el dinero y el interes

no los toman encuenta

Lo economico y la falta de interes de los actividades para que nos desarrollemo, como lo que somos una  
comunidad valiosa, trabajadora y luchadora. Deberemos reconocerlo

no se

mejor programas

mas parques

que pongan conchas y fuentes y maquinas de papita y agua pero no tirar las cosas en el piso

NO

no se

dinero

trash

none

space,gangs,drugs,drug dealers

teenagers that are in gangs, people smoking,drugs.

At the park

see more baseball parks and baseball courts

don't know

fix streets because they're too bumpy

fixing the streets

playgrounds

fixing the streets

### 13. What do you see as the City's biggest opportunity to improving open space and recreation?

To actively engage it's residents of their time and talents to improve areas for use.

The urban rivers- Spicket and Merrimack are great bodies of water for trails.

To assure the proper use of the open spaces.

the covanta site

Renovate the vacant lots and do something with them.

vacant lots burnt buildings

Get more education to people

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I think one of the biggest opportunity to improving open space and recreation is some abandoned buildings that they don't use they could reconstruct and use it for activities for people to go to.

get more education to people.

vacant lots or the unused mills.

use the unuse space for recreation

THere are alot of kids, so we can pronanly get them more involved.

The children programs that can get people more involved, to help community.

none

requiring new development/rehabilitation of property to create, improve open space

-areas along the river (trails) -the alleyways

Beautiful historic buildings that can be used creatively to make new spaces.

The City should take responsibility for the alleyways-keeping them lit + clean

vacant lots & alleyways

Take ownership of alley's employ youth thru Groundwork Lawrence green team-youth core programs-parter by providing funding to increase the capacity of these programs

to NOT build on empty lots as these lots represent green space for a city and an improved quality of life;

especially whil there is 700+ empty foreclosed homes/businesses in need of occupancy and improvement.

Life time lease use to private onrganization

the opportunity ti develop & maintain

I can't think of any place

To keep all children and teens off the street so that theres less problem

We still have a chance to strengthen the foundation for the new and younger generation to to build upon so this city can continue to be a source of pride.

UTILIZE THE NEW LAWRENCE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

BEYOND HIGH SCHOOL EVENTS & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Using programs and funding, even funds like Preserve America, to highlight the history and value of Lawrence Good open space available, especially along the rivers and in neighborhoods and at schools. And I believe that there is significant volunteer help available to help develop plans.

I do not see many if any at all

kids, children..

To add more thing, such as big playgrounds.

IDK!

Talk to people about it, spread the word.

better parks

Im not sure

The city's biggest opportunity I see is using lakes or pond for acitivites in parks should as fishing.

we need to see the river

opiniones de las jente que viven aqui

grupos recreativos

basket ball hoops (more)

- the fact that they have parks to work with and everybody wants to help kids, so they would help.

All the open, empty space!

abandoned spaces

I don't know...

skate park

skate park

La comunidad empresarial

Organizaciones gubernamentales y coritativas que pueden ser contactadas

walking and bike paths along the Merrimack River- Teaching respect for others property

-community gardens on vacant lots

-completing the riverfront park/trail system

-improvements to the North & South Commons

Neighborhood Groups participating

Park development on the Merrimack River along water street, also extension of the river walkway above the boat house into andover.

the citys biggest opportunity is now that we have enough space to do something productive with it.

The city of Lawrence is pretty big and have unused buildings the city could take one and fix it for programs and activites for after school to lower crimes and maybe they would be less violence.

park no body goes

more people hang out more

more family to come outside and participate

not sure

Families can be safer

Nothing

if students should finish highschool and go into college

more family would go outside

n/a

Games

where the hospital is they should block one of the parking lots and build a park

more family would go to the park

I dont know

They are making more programs for children

if students finish highschool and go to college

Skate Parks

people volunteers

Football field, bike path and grass,

more basketball for kids ages 10 to 13

more family gatherings

Skate park

more family will go outside and participate

There are so many vacant spaces so take it and make something out of it . their are lots of volunteers

Baseball Park at Brook park

More Baseball field for kids and adult

loitering littering graffiti

alot of volunteers would be good

I think the city should bring down abandoned factories that we don't use

they now have many volunteers

money

it would make it better, and a better popularity

the city biggest opportunity to improve the space is to help peoplr who have many problems and they will help them back

it would make the city more fun and give more opportunities to people

more population

I dont know

more population

more people would come safer

more population

put the coolest stuff and funnest thing ever

a lot of more familys will be safer

Find a lot of money

more population

People would be safer like families

more population

volunteers

open space and getting rid of shut down factorys to make parks in them

Parks

take old factorys

i think they should cut down parks that are known bad and also people will help

Finding alot of money or oil

people can be more as a family, more safer families, population

to make parks in open big spaces

it will be better and kids have fun

el terreno, el espacio y la (?)

destruir las factorias que no estan usando y hacer algo como un parque

tenerios limpio y preobil muchas cosas.

mas parqueos

por ejenplo siben espacio adonde pueden contruir parques derotivos que contrullen

none

the biggest opportunity to improving open space recreation is a park

streets

get more space

a vacant parking lot

fixing streets

#### **14. Buildings of historical or architectural interest 1=least important 5=most important**

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.

	1	2	3	4	5
	49	27	83	49	52
	19%	10%	32%	19%	20%

#### **15. Places of historical value or interest 1=least important, 5=most important**

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.

	1	2	3	4	5
	29	40	77	57	55

11% 16% 30% 22% 21%

**16. Land conservation to protect water and natural habitats 1=least important 5=most important**

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.

1	2	3	4	5
26	10	18	58	149
10%	4%	7%	22%	57%

**17. Open Space to meet active recreation needs 1=least important 5=most important**

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.

1	2	3	4	5
30	26	47	68	88
12%	10%	18%	26%	34%

**18. Open Space to meet aesthetic or passive recreation needs 1=least important 5=most important**

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.

1	2	3	4	5
36	22	58	81	62
14%	8%	22%	31%	24%

**19. Walkability-pedestrain or bike access to parks and open space 1=least important 5=most important**

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.

1	2	3	4	5
9	7	34	50	160
3%	3%	13%	19%	62%

**20. Please choose the top five items most important to you in terms of the City's parks and open space future investments:**

	Number of Response(s)
Bike paths	124
Walking trails	125
Conservation areas	68
Family picnic areas	125
Community gardens	77
Baseball fields	98
Softball fields	40
Soccer fields	35
Football fields	82
Skate parks	101
Basketball Courts	121
Handball courts	69
Outdoor ampitheater	57
Public access to water bodies	95
Tennis courts	25
Swimming pool	154

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Community Center	58
Farmers Markets	52
Other	16
<b>Total</b>	<b>290</b>

**Q.20 Additional Comments**

more chill places, places to go and relax or get away.

alleyways

map the historical walking route of Lawrence

Outdoor concerts in the summer.

fountain

Dog Parks

BIGGER PLAYGROUND

volleyball, track.

dance center/area

ice skating

Dance

more swings

olley ball court

make a dog park

Field hockey

educacionales (centros comunitarios)

biciletos

**21. Additional Comments:**

I, as a former graduate of Holy Rosary School ( Summer Street - 1962 ), understand that the monies to preserve this historic piece of Italian Archetecture have been LOST by the city. credit to Sal Lupoli etc. and other businessmen who have taken a sincere interest in Lawrence's rebirth - but as Mr.DeMarca stated - Where Did Holy Rosary's Monies Go ?

I strongly suggest that the Eagle Tribune run editorials every so often urging the Mayor etc. to channel monies ( with the reduced budget )

This is a great beginning

more needs to be done by public officials, to improve the quality of life

I don't consider farmers Markets to be open space but I believe they are very important.

(for Q14-19 participant ranked them from 1-5 in order, said question was a little confusing.)

Bike paths and alleyway use would be great. These are two areas of importance to me. I would love for the city to take a very aggressive approach to making the alleyways, green, walkable and a destination for people who want to explore the bones of the city!!

I would also like to see legislation requiring sidewalks to be kept clean of snow + trash by homeowners/ landlords with fines for not shoveling (this limites the city's walkability in the winter)

\* I tie the various sport fields to schools, etc. and are already in existance. What is needed are more areas where the whole family can participate.

( arrows are drawn on the paper version to Q20)

Keep up the good work.

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City investment in dollars is most needed in high cost improvements; fewer dollars are needed for open space and passive recreation areas. High cost improvements like those in South Lawrence that make the areas unavailable to the casual user are a poor use of public funds. Little League should pay for its own upgrades... scoreboards, fine grass infields, bleachers.

It would be nice to have weekly outdoor concerts in the park like Andover has.

Andover holds weekly concerts in the park every Tuesday 6:00pm-8:00pm

This survey is a good start

We can make it! =)

Please think about the change in outdoor play or recreation use in #5..

( #17 was not filled out, but I couldn't deselect option- so I said 3)

Por favor ami me gusta jugar golf pogram uno

make an environment that is suitable for anybody

advertise more for youth volunteers

THey should really (can't make out word?), there is would make a difference

A giant soccer field.

what about volleyball?

Kids has to have more fun and also parents can take their little kids to play where is more safe

Felicitar su empero en la orientacion a la poblacion

Hay que actuar.

Although there is much still to do, the City & Groundwork Lawrence have made incredible progress over the past few years-thank you!

I think it would be beneficial to have a citizen open space committee with a quasi relationship to the conservation commission. I appreciate the vision and leadership of Groundwork Lawrence has provided in terms of Open Space Recreation Matters. Also a committee on walkability or bike access to parks and open space.

It seems like the city has invested in its parks in the past few years. Hopefully they will be maintained now. Parks add to general quality of life and improve the community on so many levels. Would love to see a walking trail down by the river. There has been a lot of talk about linking the few patches of trail that exist down there. that would be a jewel.

Excellent survey hope you make a change in our community. Thank you

childrens club (safe, no drinks)

volleyball

They should help poor people, churches, water fountains outdoors

should re-do all of the parks

there should be more places someone can ride bikes without danger of being hit by a car.

hope you make those changes

volleyball

if they can conserved this needs that people fill or establish good possibilities

We need a public football field

I would like more skate parks.

none

The city of Lawrence need to improve more things to get a better city

No comment

you should put in tennis courts its good exercise

it would be nice to put more interesting games there

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please bike paths    dont ruin the environment    handball court

I would like their to be more jobs.

please help us with this stuff i would appreciate it

please make more basketball courts

I think that we should have alot of more community center and swimming pools

yo queiro deportes de hembras

Thank you for making this big change for us.

There should also be skateparks

maybe you guys should also kick in some of your own ideas to also try putting in parts for adults, trust me my mom loves a good park