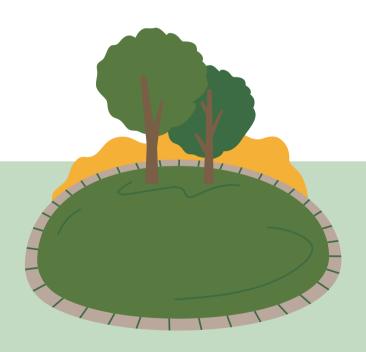


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Community Needs Assessment Survey Results

March 2023



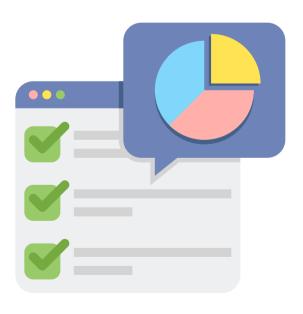
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ABOUT THE SURVEY

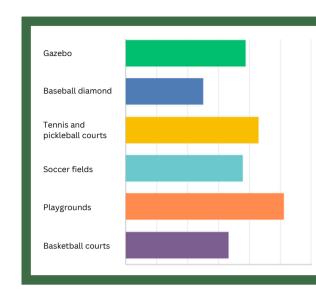
The Wedgewood Community Needs Assessment Survey provided an opportunity for residents to voice their opinions and preferences concerning future projects, programs, and events in our community. We are carefully considering all input as we evaluate costs, available lands, and volunteer resources to determine the best approach for maintaining and enhancing our vibrant community. We extend our thanks to everyone who took part in the survey and to all the volunteers, past and present, whose dedication and hard work have made Wedgewood the beautiful community it is today.

121 RESIDENTS REPSONDED, AND THE RESULTS ARE IN.



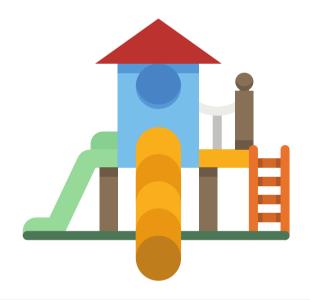






Existing amenity residents use most:

Playgrounds



The survey revealed that the most widely used existing amenity in Wedgewood Heights Park is the playgrounds, followed by tennis and pickleball courts, and the gazebo. The popularity of theses amenities highlights the need to invest in and maintain these crucial park features. The Community League, along with The City, can use this information to assess which equipment needs updates, repairs, or expansions to continue serving Wedgewood effectively. Well-maintained and modern playgrounds, courts, and gazebo will attract more families to the park and improve our community's wellbeing.







Existing amenity residents use least:

Baseball Diamond

It seems that baseball isn't capturing the attention of the community. This presents an exciting opportunity for our Community League to consider repurposing that portion of the park in the future. With the survey results in hand, a Park and Playground Committee can evaluate which amenities residents desire most and make changes that better serve the community's needs.





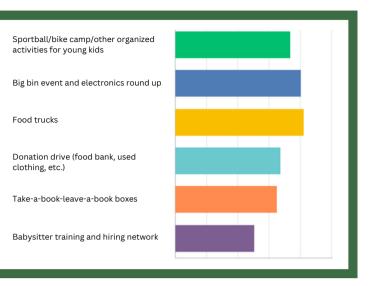
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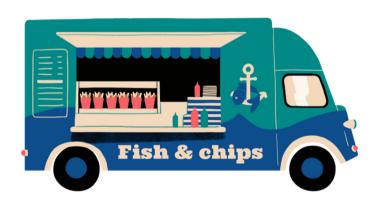
Skating Rink



Many residents are eager to have a space to make the most of Wedgewood Heights Park in the wintertime. Out of all the proposed amenities, the skating rink was the most highly requested, followed by resurfacing the basketball courts and installing new hoops. While a new skating rink is a possibility, making it a reality will require a lot of volunteer power. The construction, maintenance, and management of a rink will need a dedicated group of volunteers to ensure its success.







Program or event residents most want:

Food Trucks

Residents have been enjoying the food trucks at Wedgewood Heights Park. Big bin events and electronics roundups, as well as activities for young children like Sportball and bike camp, also ranked high for desired events and programs. We will take this feedback into consideration as we determine our priorities for ensuring the park remains a centre for community events and activities.



NOW, HELP US MAKE YOUR DREAMS A REALITY.



The Community Needs Assessment Survey reveals that there is a lot of support for the proposed park projects. It has also generated some new and exciting ideas, including building a dog park, installing new benches and picnic tables, adding permanent washrooms, extending walking paths, and hosting more community events. These suggestions demonstrate the community's desire for a more active and engaging outdoor experience.

In order to make these ideas a reality, we will need a dedicated group of volunteers to establish and run a Park and Playground Committee. This committee will be responsible for analyzing the survey results to determine which projects to prioritize based on community demand, budget, and City support. The committee will have the important task of ensuring that the proposed projects are feasible and align with the community's needs and vision for the park.

We are grateful to the respondents who indicated an interest in volunteering. In the coming weeks, we will contact all those who expressed interest in volunteering to determine whether we have the power to make these projects happen.

For anyone who hasn't had the opportunity to volunteer but is interested, please contact us at wedgewoodcl@gmail.com. With the support of community members, we can make these projects a reality and create a park that reflects the diverse needs and desires of our community.

