



City of Port St. Lucie, Florida 2024 Community Interest and Opinion Survey Findings Report

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Executive Summary

City of Port St. Lucie, Florida

Community Interest and Opinion Survey

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Overview

ETC Institute administered a community interest and opinion survey for the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida during the fall of 2024. The purpose of the survey was to help determine parks and recreation priorities for the City.

Methodology

ETC Institute mailed a survey packet to a random sample of households throughout the City of Port St. Lucie. Each survey packet contained a cover letter, a copy of the survey, and a postage-paid return envelope. Residents who received the survey were given the option of returning the survey by mail or completing it online.

After the surveys were mailed, ETC Institute followed up with residents to encourage participation. To prevent people who were not residents of Port St. Lucie from participating, everyone who completed the survey online was required to enter their home address prior to submitting their survey. ETC Institute then matched the addresses entered online with the addresses originally selected for the random sample. If the address from a survey completed online did not match one of the addresses selected for the sample, the online survey was not included in the final database for this report.

The goal was to receive 400 completed surveys from households within the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida. The goal was exceeded within 406 completed surveys collected. The overall results for the sample of 406 residents have a precision of at least +/-4.9% at the 95% level of confidence.

This report contains the following:

- Executive Summary with major findings (Section 1)
- Charts showing the overall results of the survey (Section 2)
- Priority Investment Ratings (PIR) (Section 3)
- Tabular data showing the overall results for all questions on the survey (Section 4)
- A copy of the cover letter and survey instrument (Section 5)

The major findings of the survey are summarized in the following pages.

Parks/Facilities/Programs Usage

Parks Usage: Respondents selected all the parks that they have visited in the past year. The top used parks were: Botanical gardens (65%), Jessica Clinton Park (36%), and Lyngate Park & Dog Park (34%). Based on the sum of top 2 choices, the parks used most were: Botanical gardens (28%), Jessica Clinton Park (15%), and Whispering Pines Park (14%). They selected how often they visited these parks. 10% visit almost daily, 28% selected at least once per week, 26% visit a few times per month, 26% visit a few times per year, and 10% seldomly/never visit. They selected how satisfied they were with the parks. 27% are very satisfied, 46% are satisfied, 19% are neutral, 4% are dissatisfied, and 3% are very dissatisfied.

Facilities Usage: Respondents selected the facilities (listed in the survey) that they currently utilize. The most selected facilities are: Planet Fitness (20%), L.A. Fitness (14%), and Boys & Girls Clubs of St. Lucie County (3%).

Programs Use: Respondents selected all the programs they have participated in the past year. The programs respondents participated in the most were: PSLPRD's fitness centers and/or fitness classes (16%), PSLPRD's youth soccer leagues (10%), and PSLPRD's youth baseball leagues (8%). They selected how satisfied they were with these programs. 15% are very satisfied, 36% are satisfied, 39% are neutral, 6% are dissatisfied, and 4% are very dissatisfied. For the respondents that did not participate in programs often or at all, they selected the reasons why. The common barriers were: don't know what is offered/available (37%), nothing (29%), and program times/facility hours not convenient (18%).

Communication

Respondents selected the primary source they use to learn about PSLPRD-related events and programs. 27% selected City of PSL website, 41% selected City of PSL Facebook page, 1% selected information from school, 3% selected flyers, 16% selected word of mouth, and 9% selected other.

Outside Organizations

Respondents selected the organizations that they used for recreation programs and facilities. The common selected organizations were: St. Lucie County (64%), private clubs/fitness centers (46%), and churches or other religious organizations (30%).

Benefits, Importance, and Improvements to Parks and Recreation

Support: Respondents rated how supportive they were of each of the following actions the City could take to improve the parks and recreation system. The actions that are highly supported are: acquiring land to preserve greenspace, tree canopy, & provide access to natural areas (96%), acquiring land to develop more greenways & trails (94%), and renovating & making improvements to existing parks & recreation facilities (93%). Based on the sum of top 4 choices, the actions that are highly supported are: acquiring land to preserve greenspace, tree canopy, & provide access to natural areas (46%), acquiring land to develop more greenways & trails (34%), and developing new greenways trails, high quality bicycle facilities & shaded sidewalks that enhance connectivity (33%).

Additional Findings

Importance of Walking Distance Between Small Park and Home: Respondents selected their level of importance of having a small park within walking distance of their home. 58% selected very important, 26% selected somewhat important, and 16% selected not important.

Agreement: Respondents rated their level of agreement with the statement (listed in the survey). The statements most agreed in order are: Port St. Lucie enhance the quality of life for residents in the community (95%), it is important to connect parks & public green spaces through a system of trails & pathways (94%), and Port St. Lucie parks increase property values in the community (93%).

Recreation Programs Needs and Priorities

Programs Needs: Respondents were asked to identify if their household had a need for 13 recreation programs and to rate how well their needs for each were currently being met. Based on this analysis, ETC Institute was able to estimate the number of households in the community that had the greatest “unmet” need for various programs.

The three programs with the highest percentage of households that have an unmet need:

1. Adult fitness/wellness
2. Nature programs
3. Senior programs

Program Importance: In addition to assessing the needs for each program, ETC Institute also assessed the importance that residents placed on each item. Based on the sum of respondents’ top four choices, these were the four programs that ranked most important to residents:

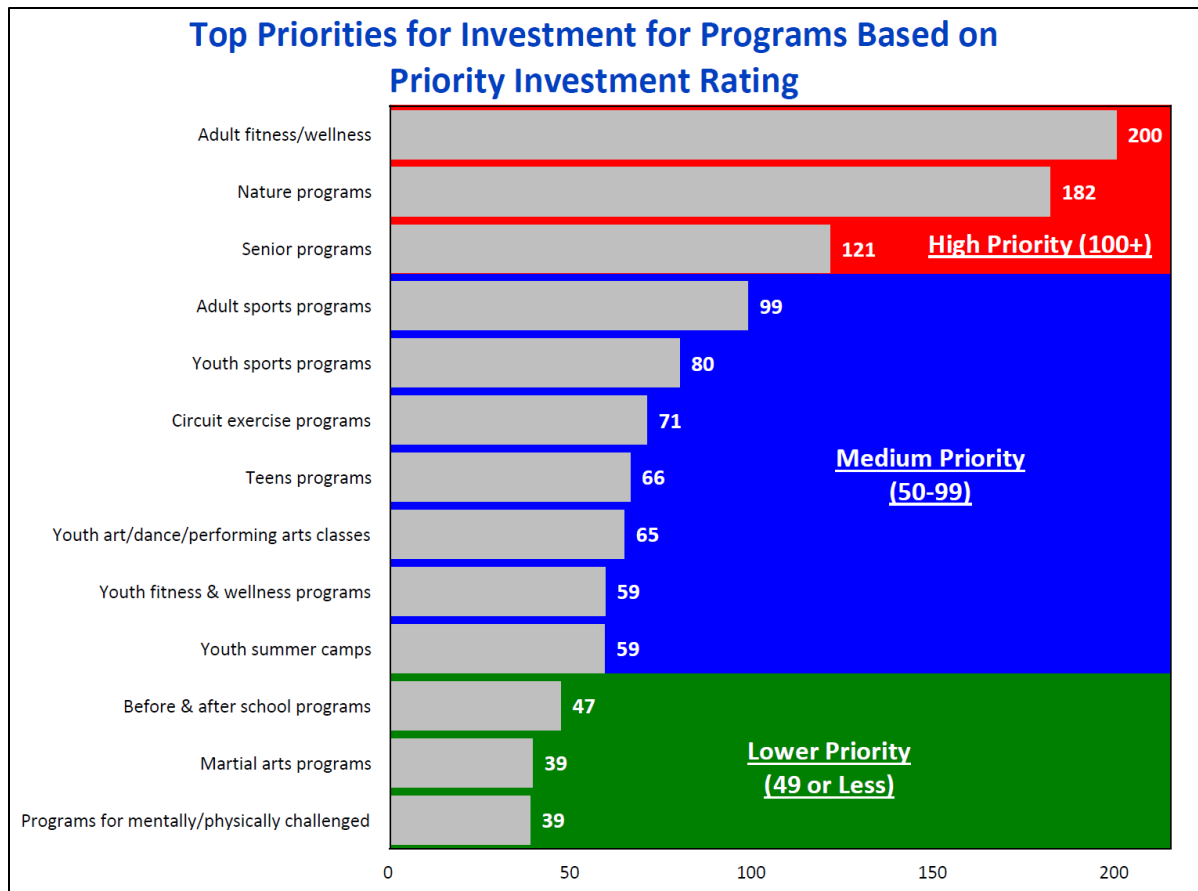
1. Adult fitness/wellness
2. Nature programs
3. Senior programs
4. Adult sports programs

Priorities for Program Investments: The **Priority Investment Rating (PIR)** was developed by ETC Institute to provide organizations with an objective tool for evaluating the priority that should be placed on recreation and parks investments. The Priority Investment Rating (PIR) equally weighs (1) the importance that residents place on programs and (2) how many residents have unmet needs for the activities. [Details regarding the methodology for this analysis are provided in Section 3 of this report.]

Based the Priority Investment Rating (PIR), the following programs were rated as high priorities for investment:

- Adult fitness/wellness (PIR=200)
- Nature programs (PIR=182)
- Senior programs (PIR=121)

The chart below shows the Priority Investment Rating for each of the 13 programs assessed in the survey.



Recreation Facilities Needs and Priorities

Facilities Needs: Respondents were asked to identify if their household had a need for 29 recreation facilities and to rate how well their needs for each were currently being met. Based on this analysis, ETC Institute was able to estimate the number of households in the community that had the greatest “unmet” need for various facilities.

The three facilities with the highest percentage of households that have an unmet need:

1. Walking & hiking trails
2. Natural areas/nature parks
3. Paved bike trails

Facility Importance: In addition to assessing the needs for each facility, ETC Institute also assessed the importance that residents placed on each item. Based on the sum of respondents’ top four choices, these were the four facilities that ranked most important to residents:

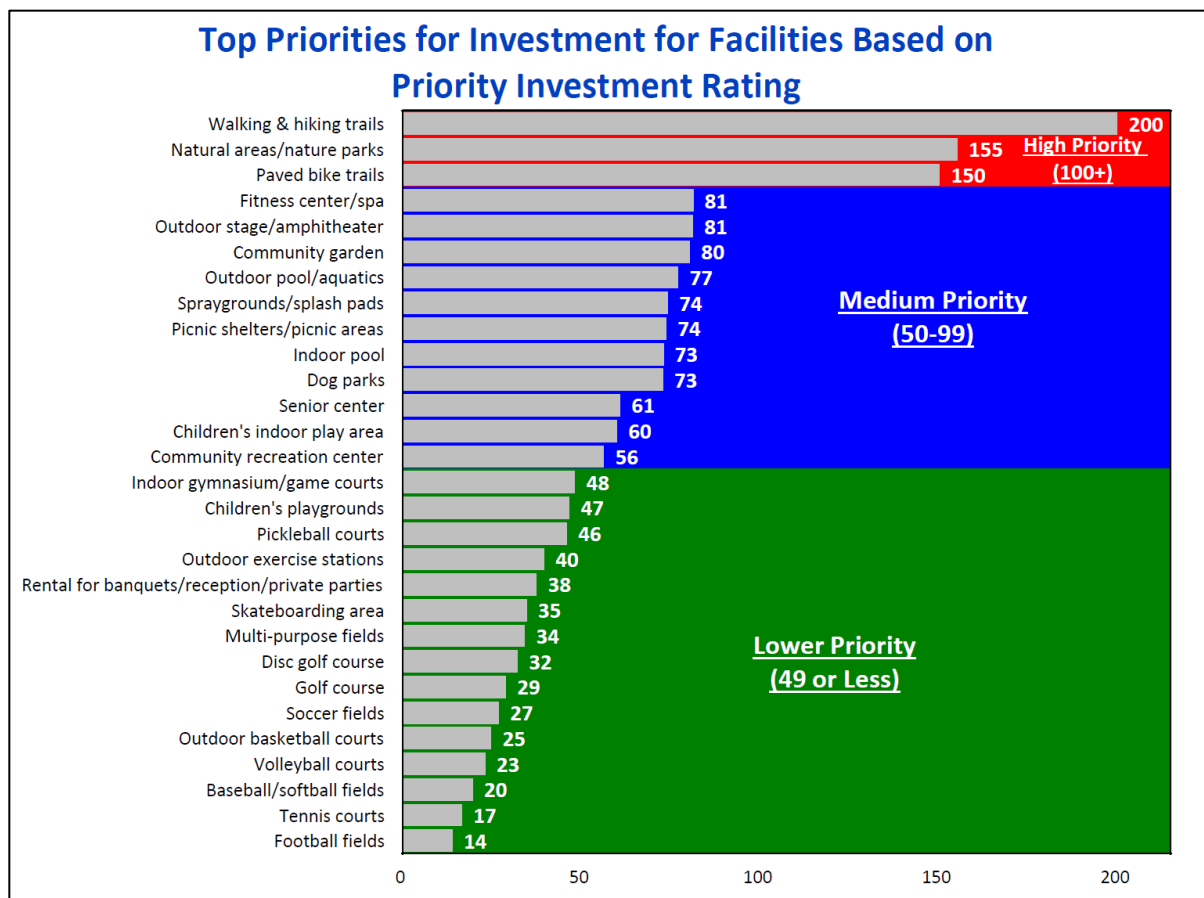
1. Walking & hiking trails
2. Natural areas/nature parks
3. Paved bike trails
4. Dog parks

Priorities for Facility Investments: The **Priority Investment Rating (PIR)** was developed by ETC Institute to provide organizations with an objective tool for evaluating the priority that should be placed on recreation and parks investments. The Priority Investment Rating (PIR) equally weighs (1) the importance that residents place on activities and (2) how many residents have unmet needs for the facilities. [Details regarding the methodology for this analysis are provided in Section 3 of this report.]

Based the Priority Investment Rating (PIR), the following amenities were rated as high priorities for investment:

- Walking & hiking trails (PIR=200)
- Natural areas/nature parks (PIR=155)
- Paved bike trails (PIR=150)

The chart below shows the Priority Investment Rating for each of the 29 facilities assessed in the survey

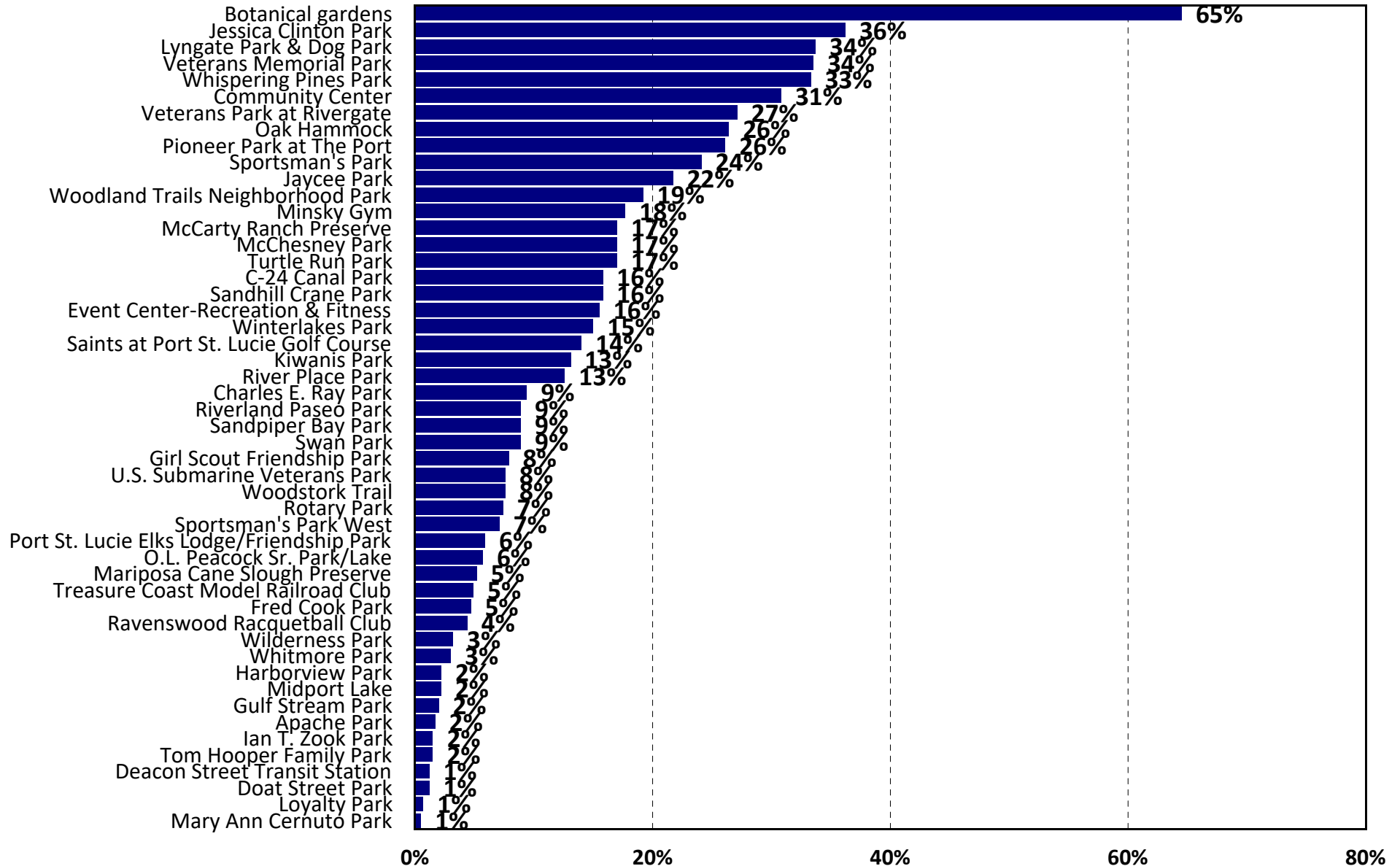


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Charts and Graphs

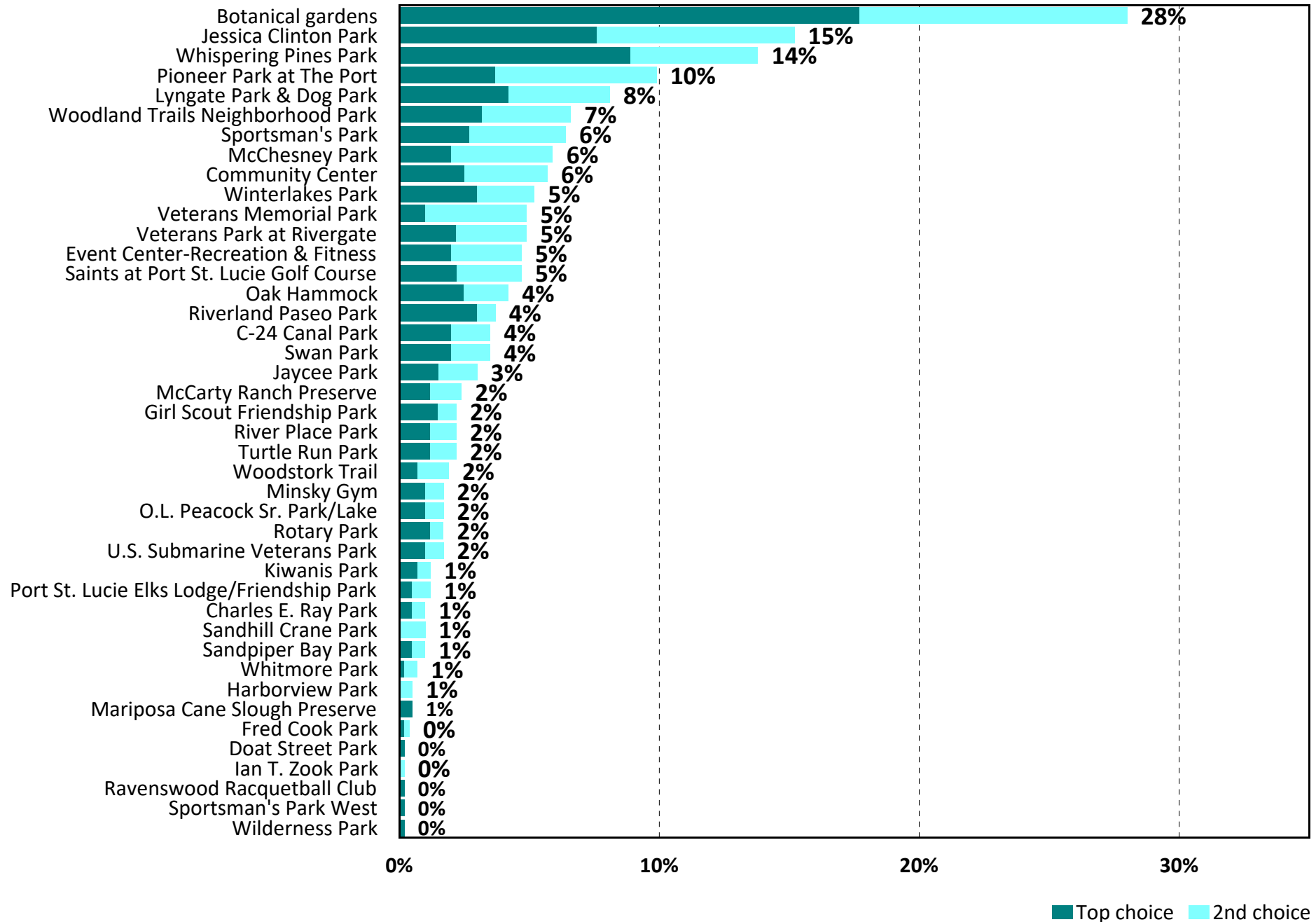
Q1. Please check all the following parks operated by the City of Port St. Lucie Parks and Recreation Department (PSLPRD) that you/your household have visited during the past year.

by percentage of respondents (multiple selections could be made)



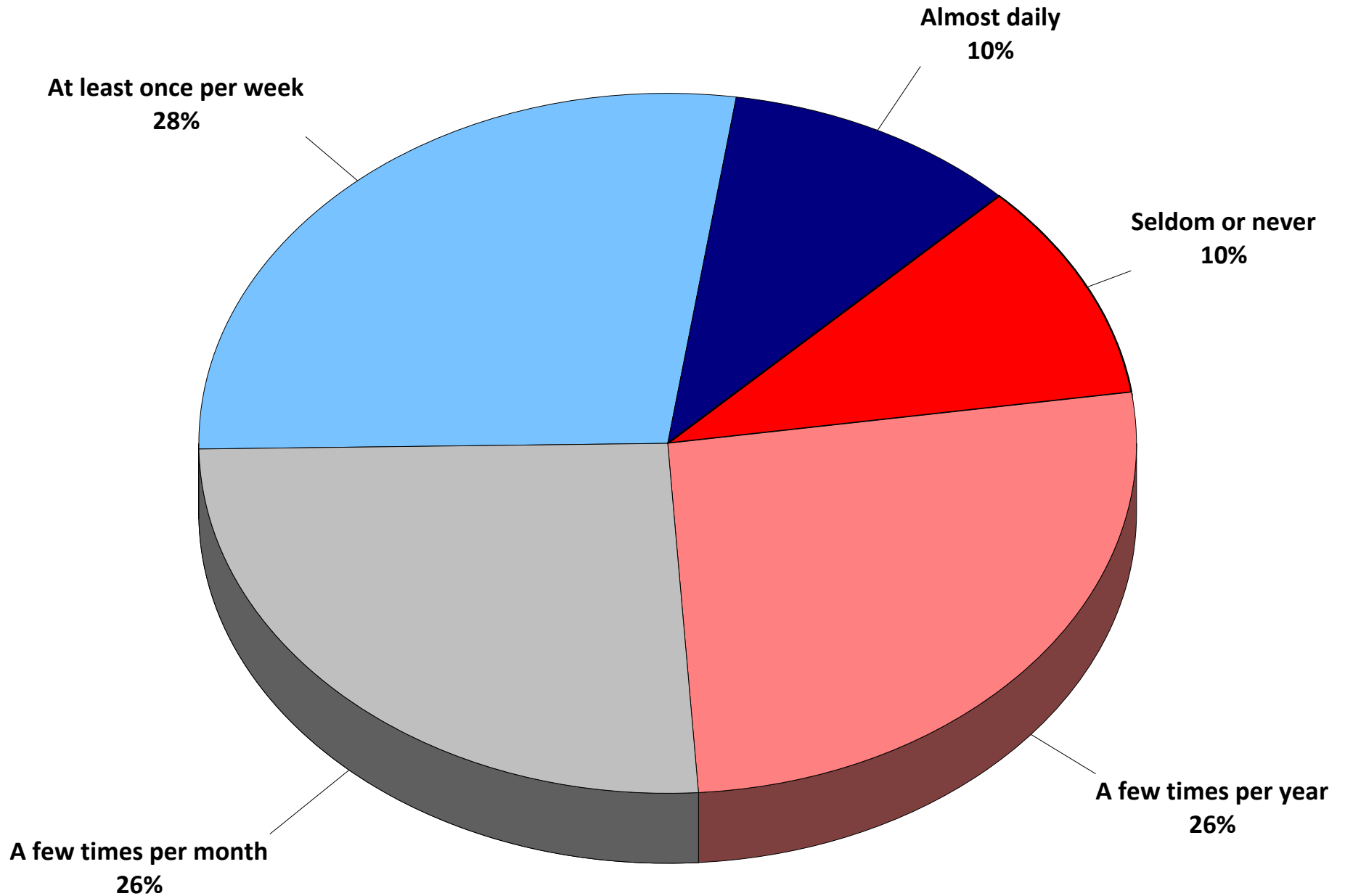
Q2. Which two of the parks does your household use most often?

by percentage of respondents who selected the items as one of their top two choices



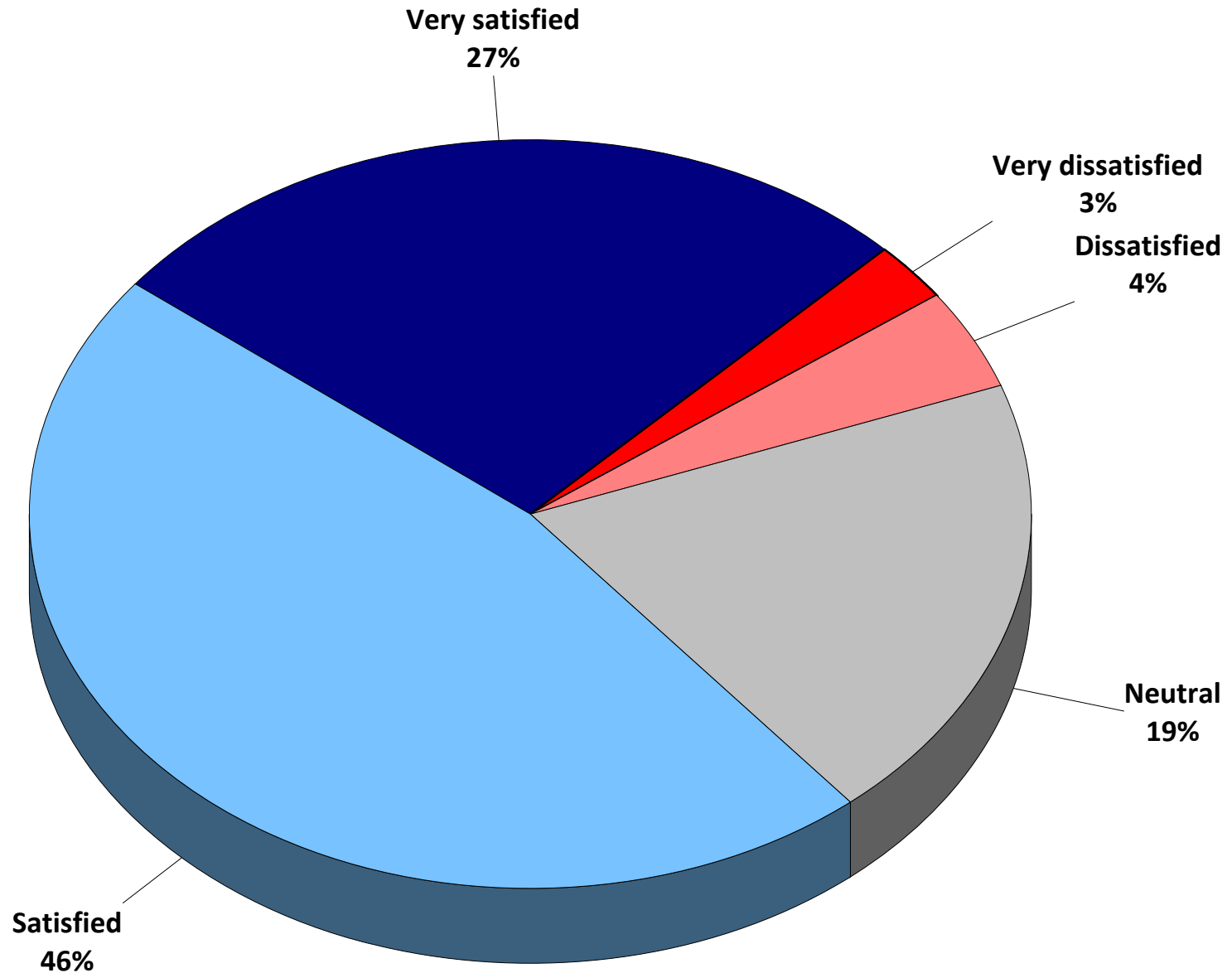
Q3. On average, how often do you/your household visit parks?

by percentage of respondents (excluding “not provided”)



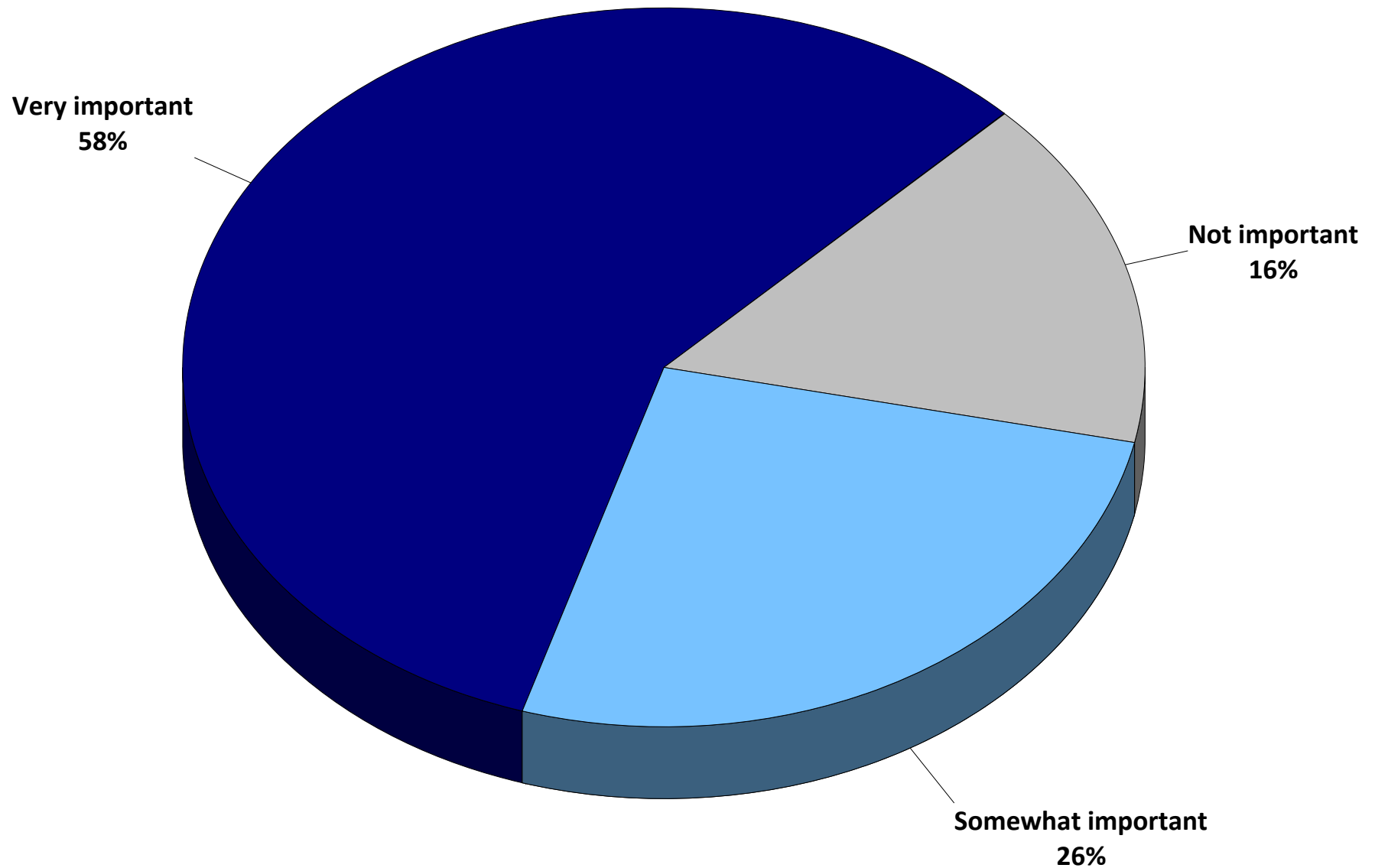
Q4. Overall, how satisfied are you with the parks?

by percentage of respondents (excluding “don’t know”)



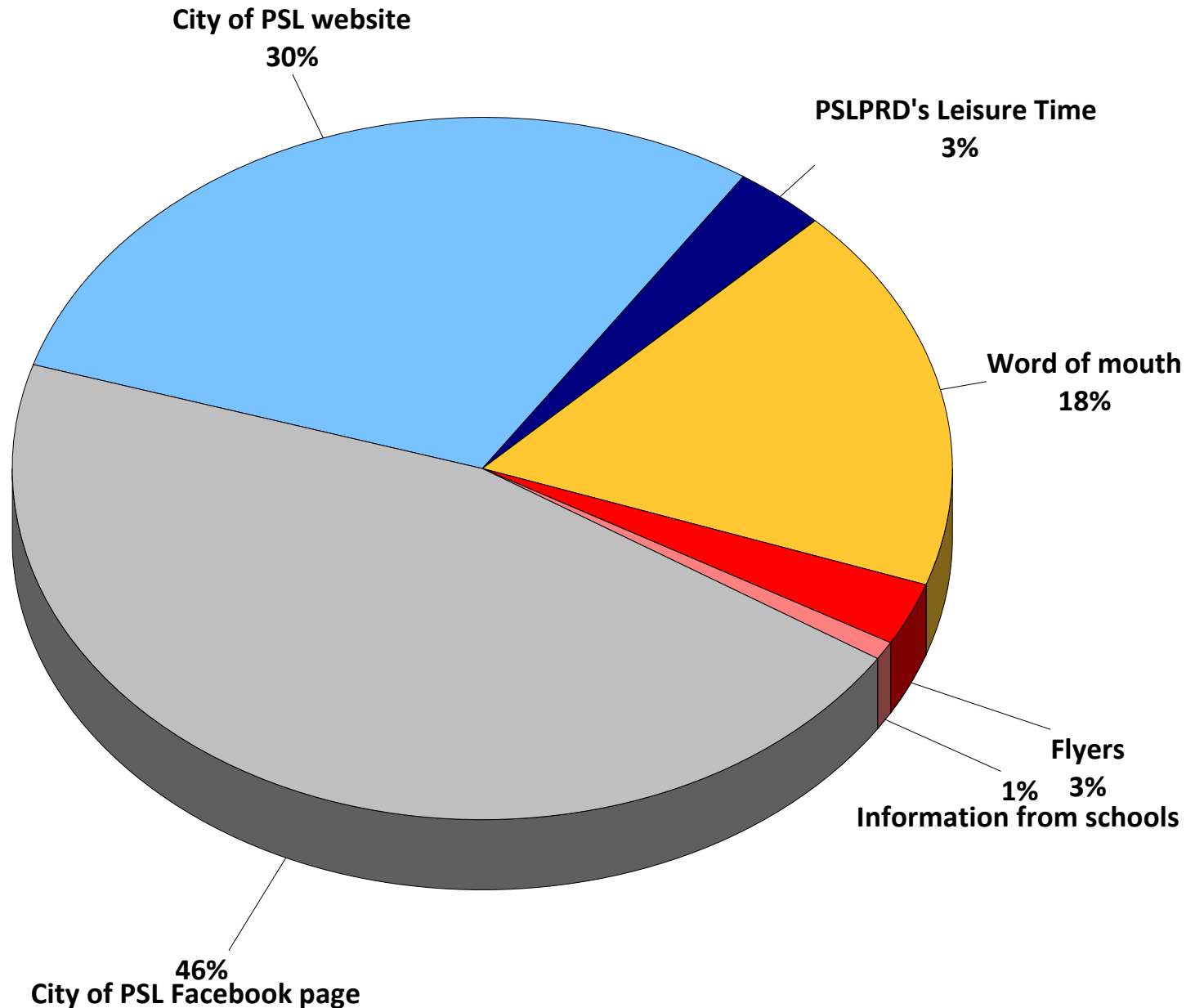
Q5. How important is it for you/your household to have a small park within walking distance of your home?

by percentage of respondents (excluding “not sure”)



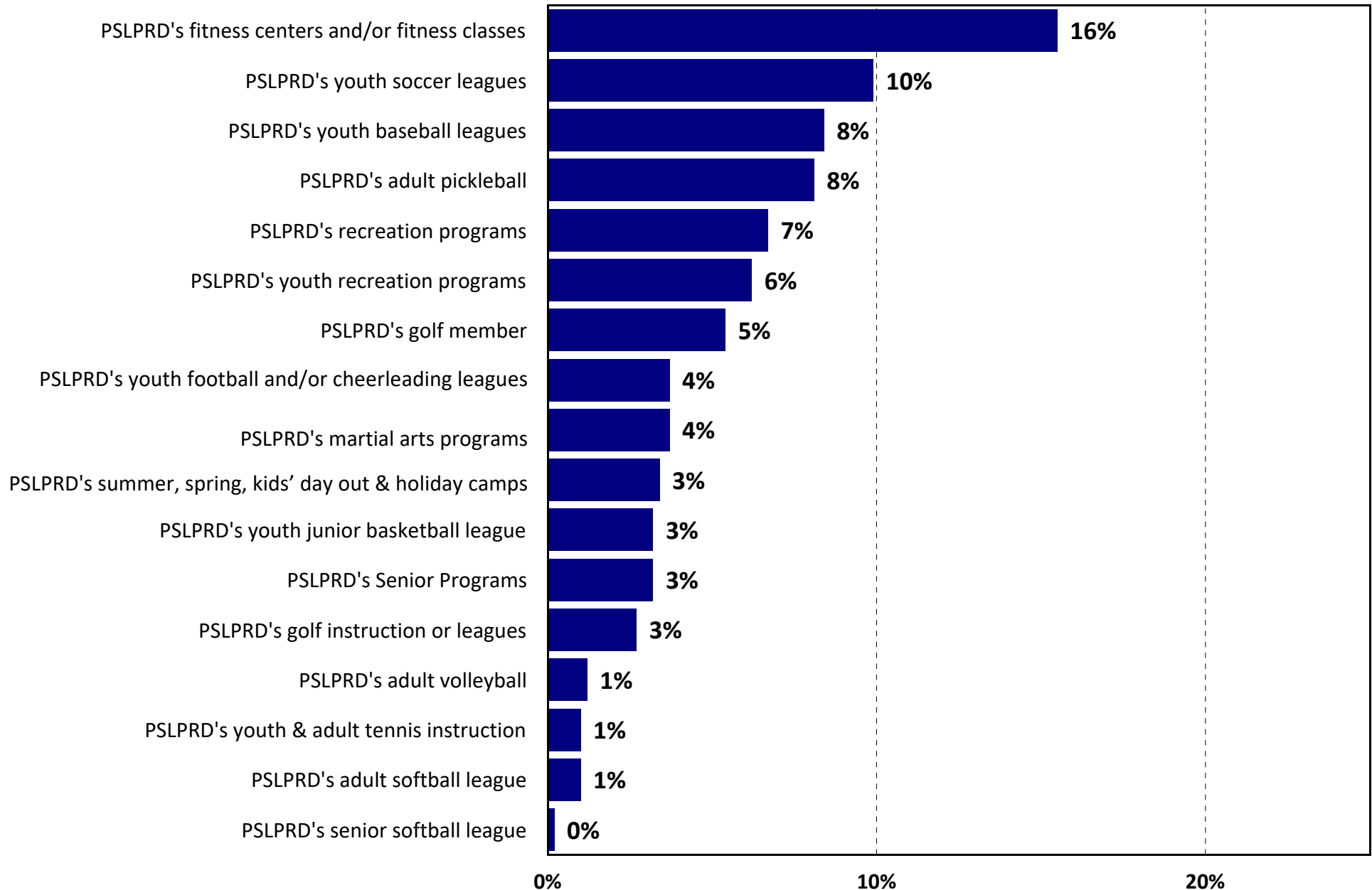
Q6. What is your primary source of information for PSLPRD-related events and programs?

by percentage of respondents (excluding "not provided")



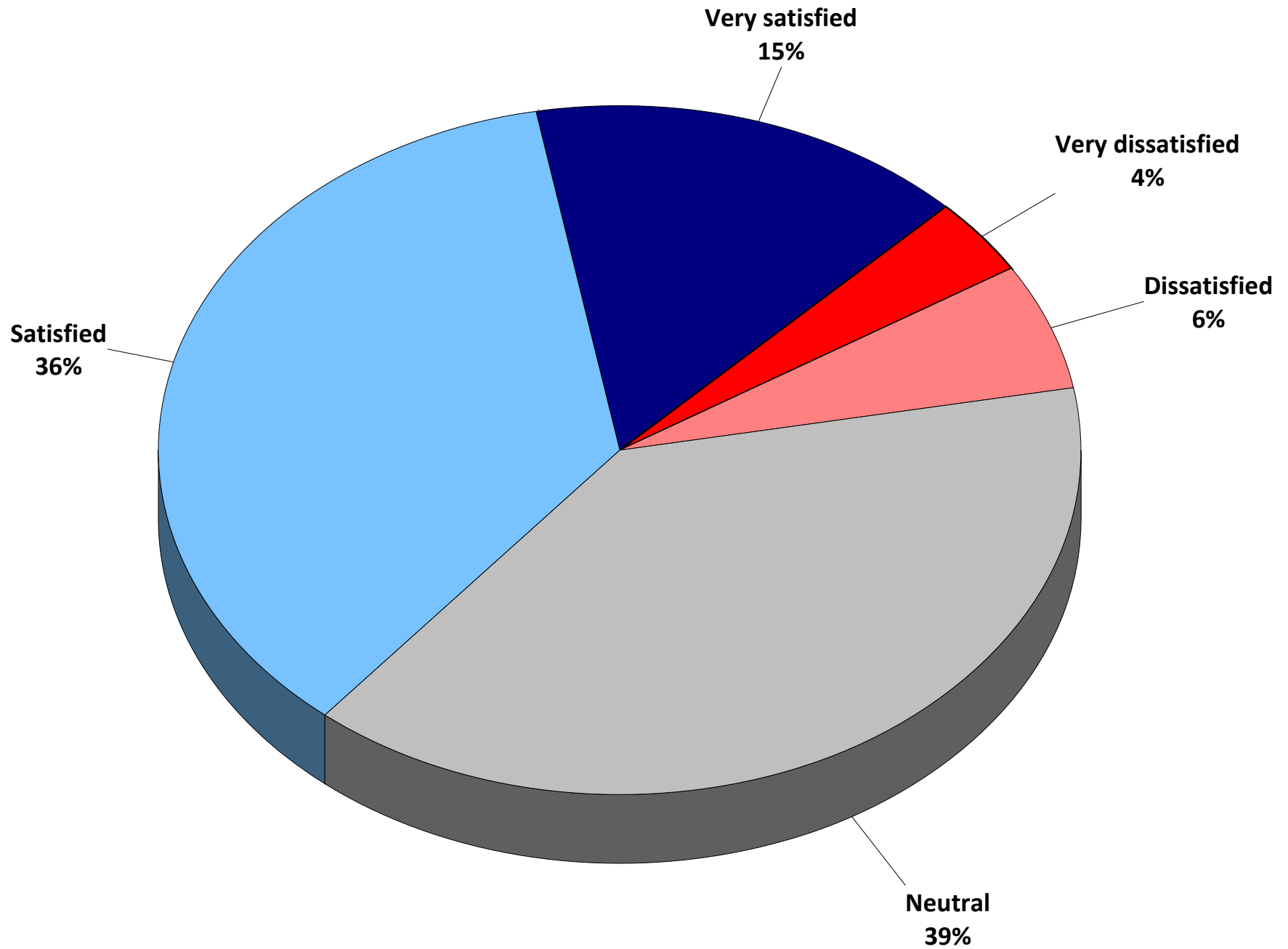
Q7. Please check all the following programs that you/your household have participated in during the past five years.

by percentage of respondents (multiple selections could be made)



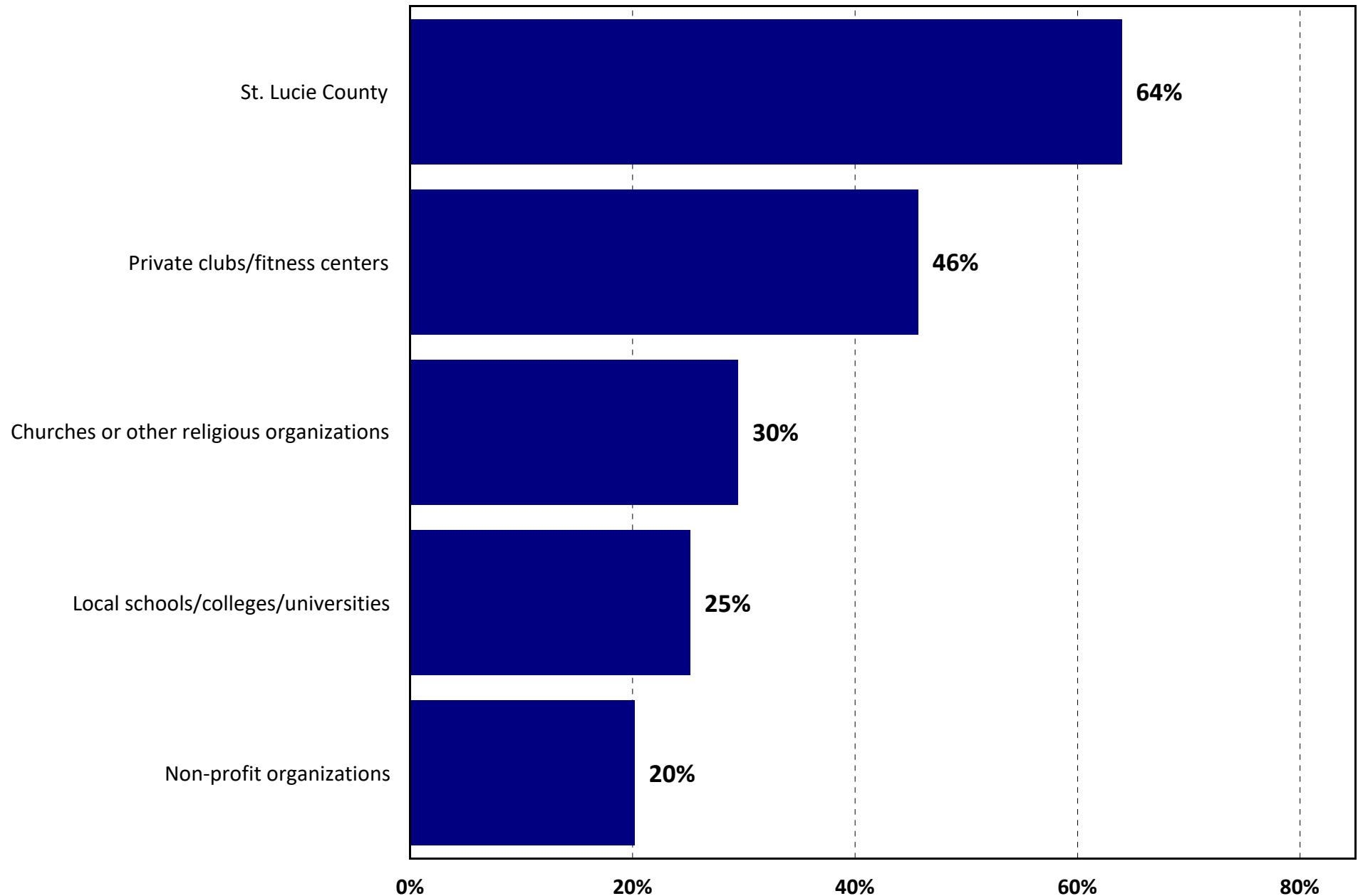
Q8. Overall, how satisfied are you with programs?

by percentage of respondents (excluding “don’t know”)



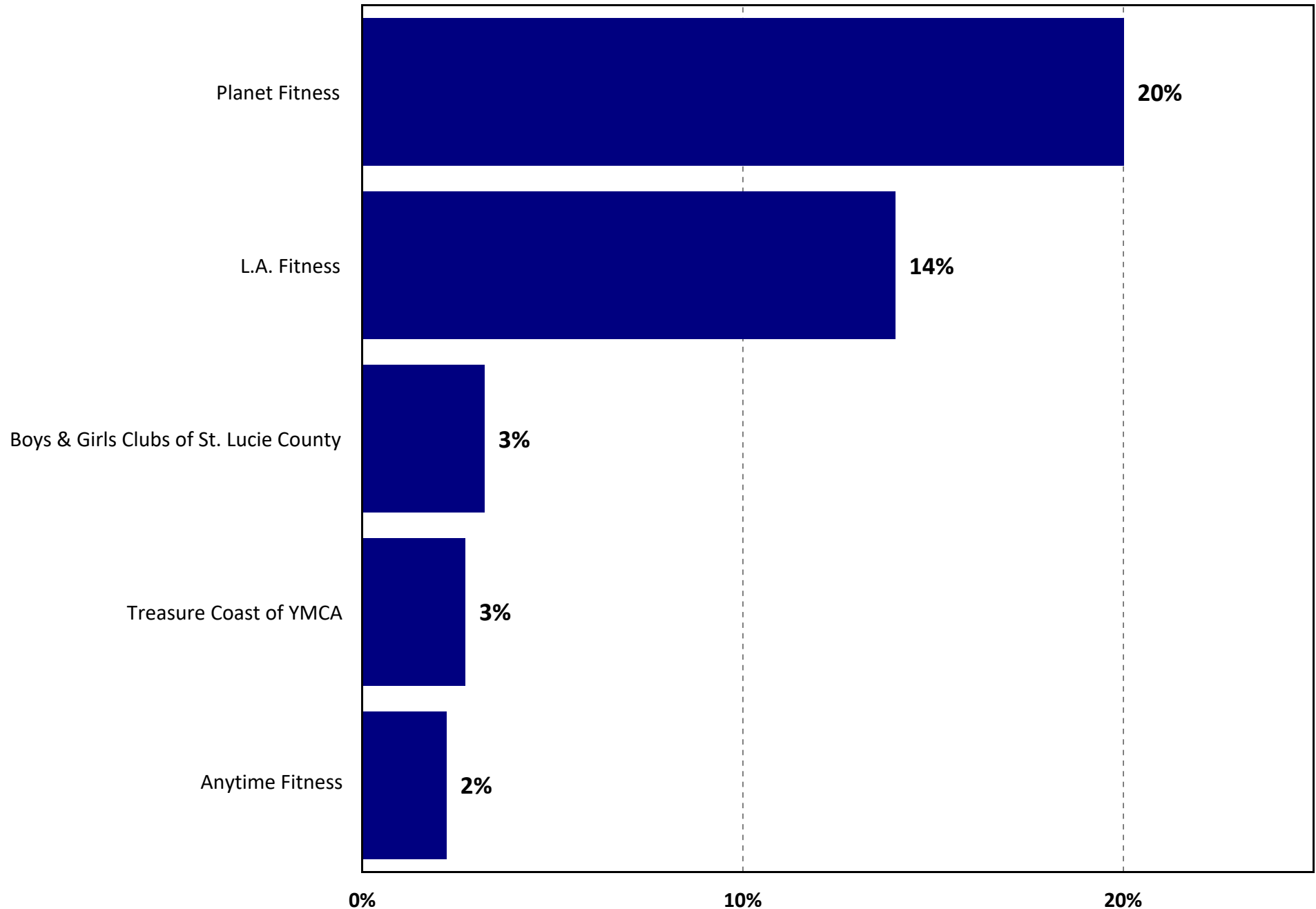
Q9. Please check all the following organizations you/your household have used for recreation programs and facilities.

by percentage of respondents (excluding "none of these")



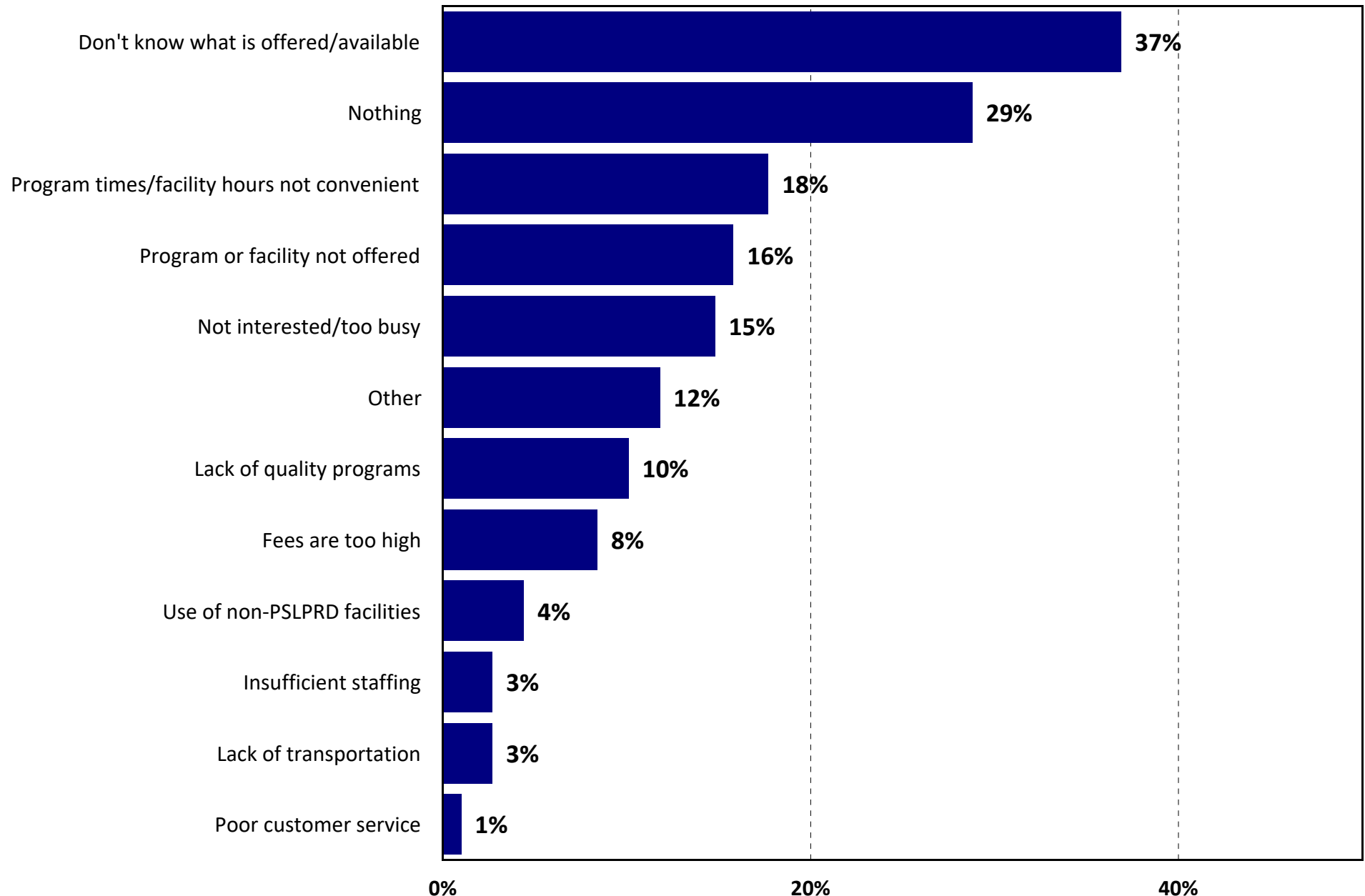
Q10. Please check all the following facilities you/your household currently utilize.

by percentage of respondents



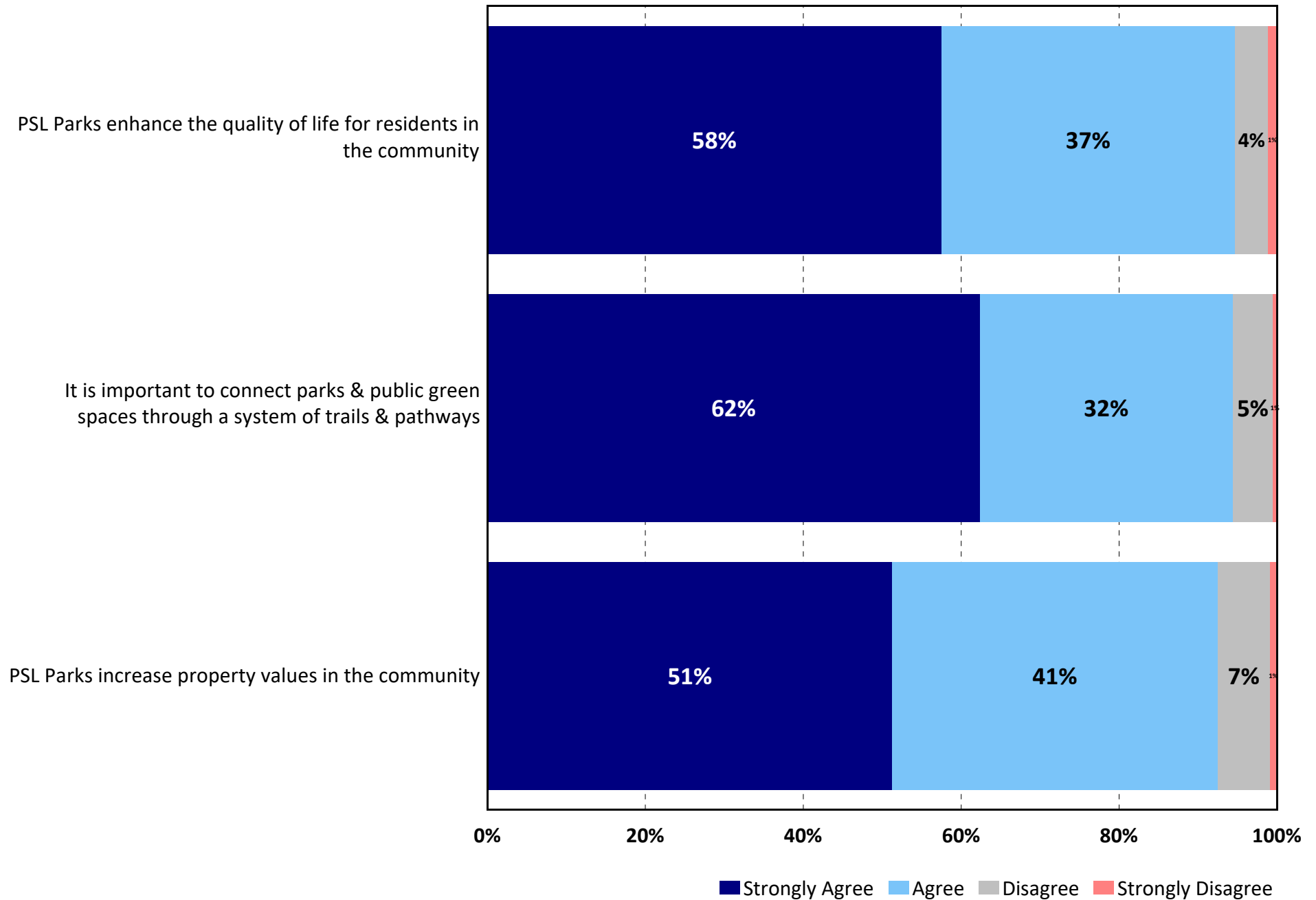
Q11. Please check all the following factors that prevent you/your household from using parks and recreation programs more frequently.

by percentage of respondents



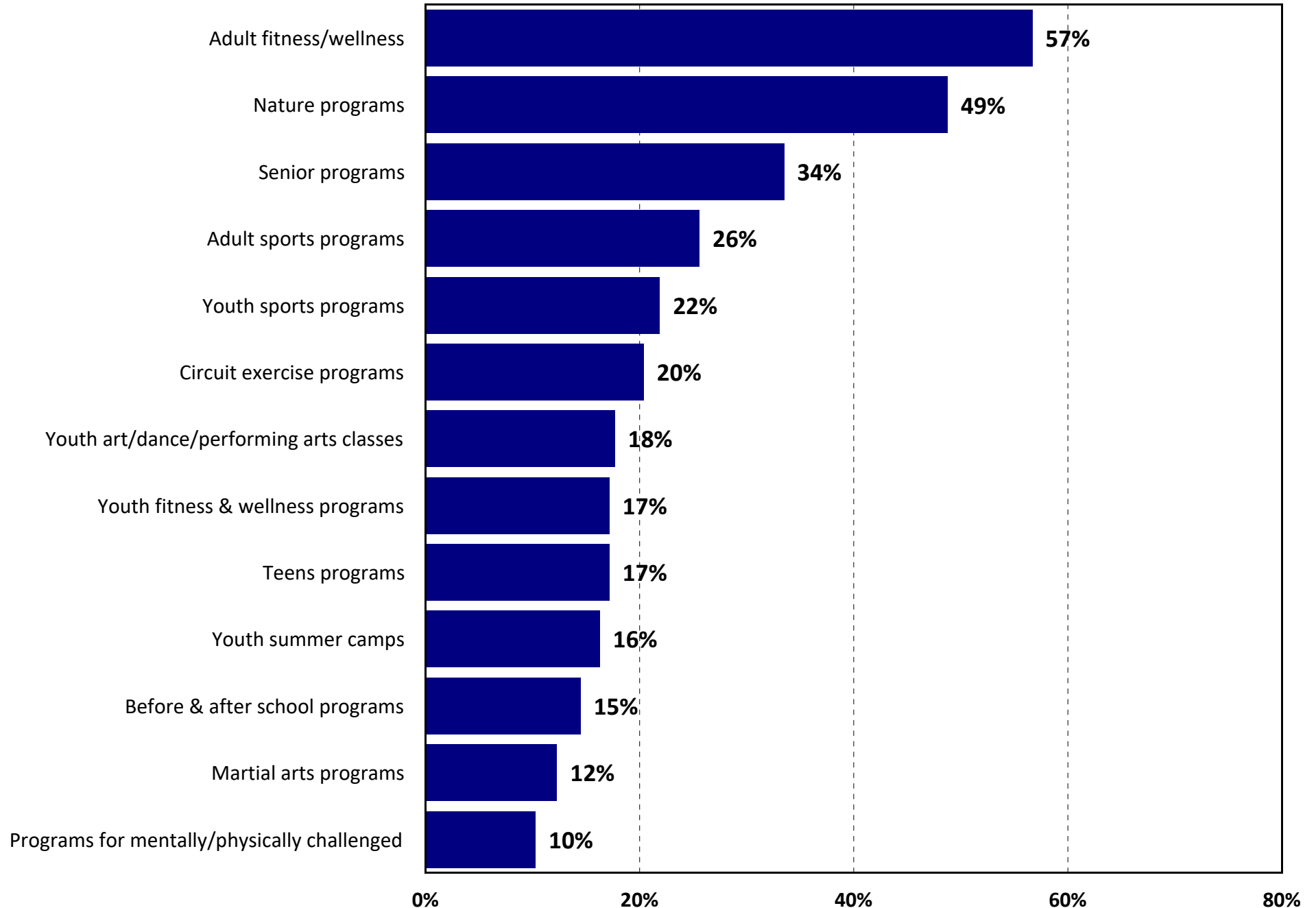
Q12. Please rate your level of agreement with the following statements.

by percentage of respondents (excluding "don't know")



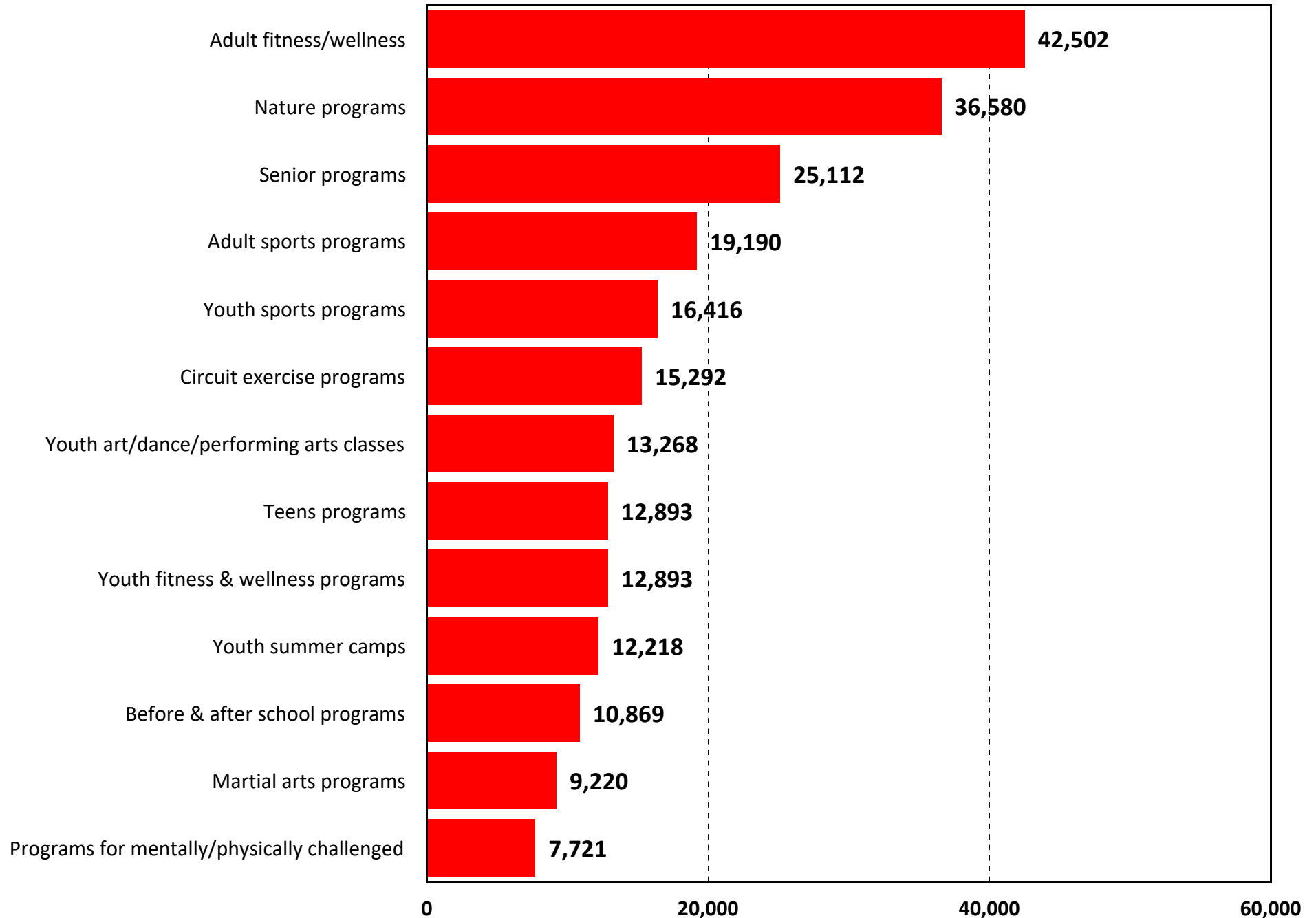
Q13. Need for programs.

by percentage of respondents who indicated need



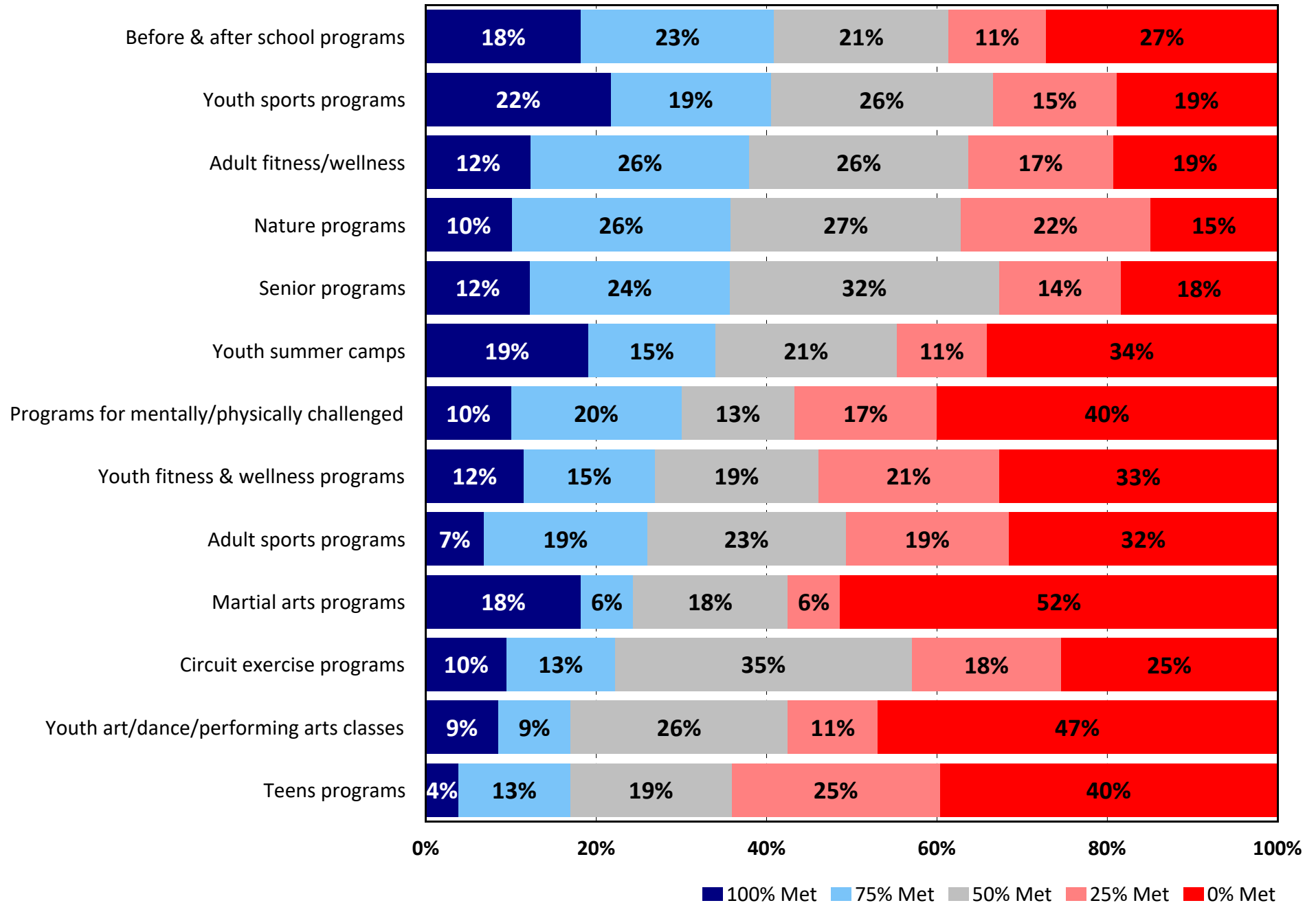
Q13. Estimated number of households who have a need for programs

by number of households based on an estimated 74,960 households



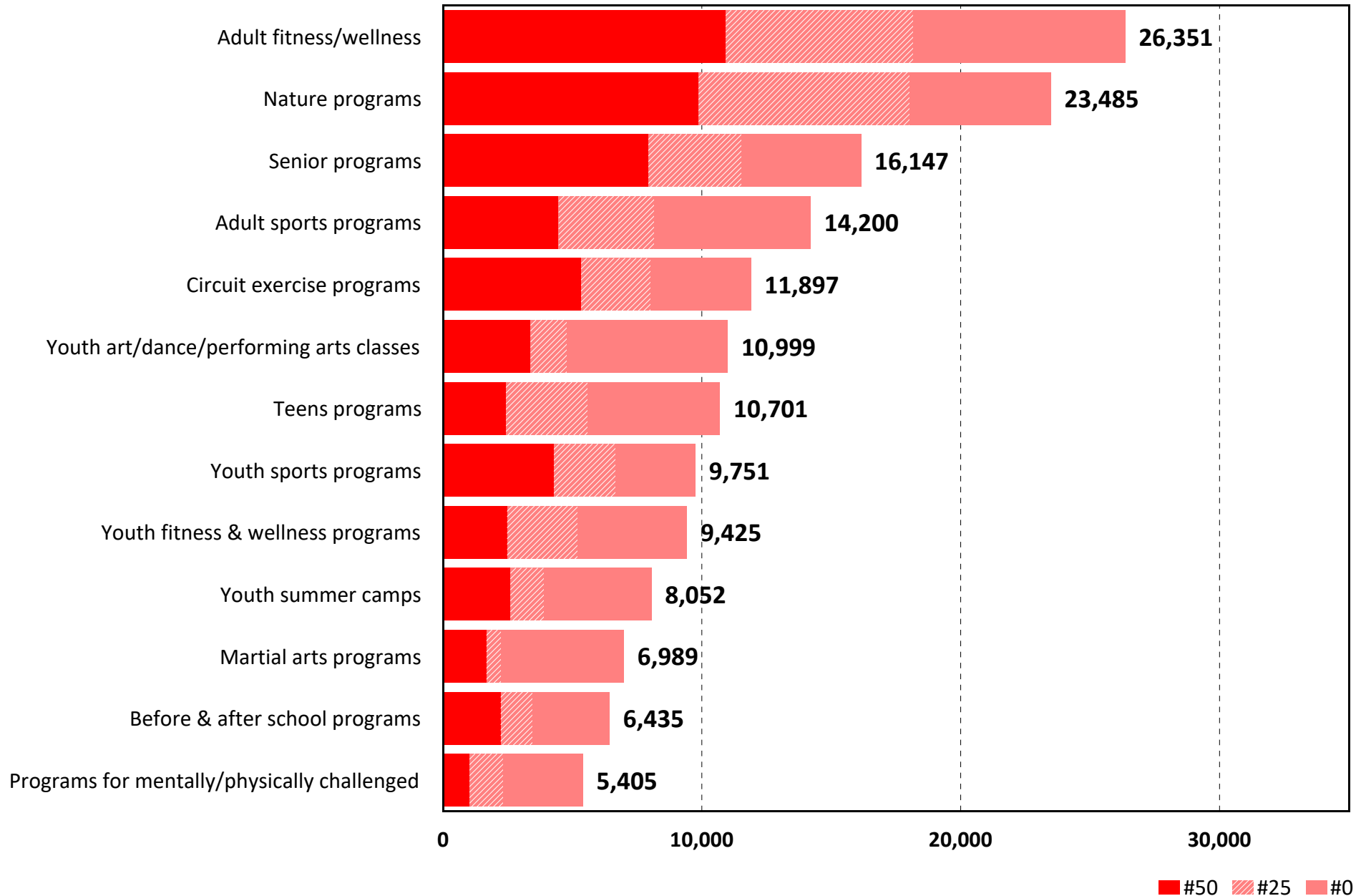
Q13. Please indicate how well your needs are being met.

by percentage of respondents (excluding "not provided")



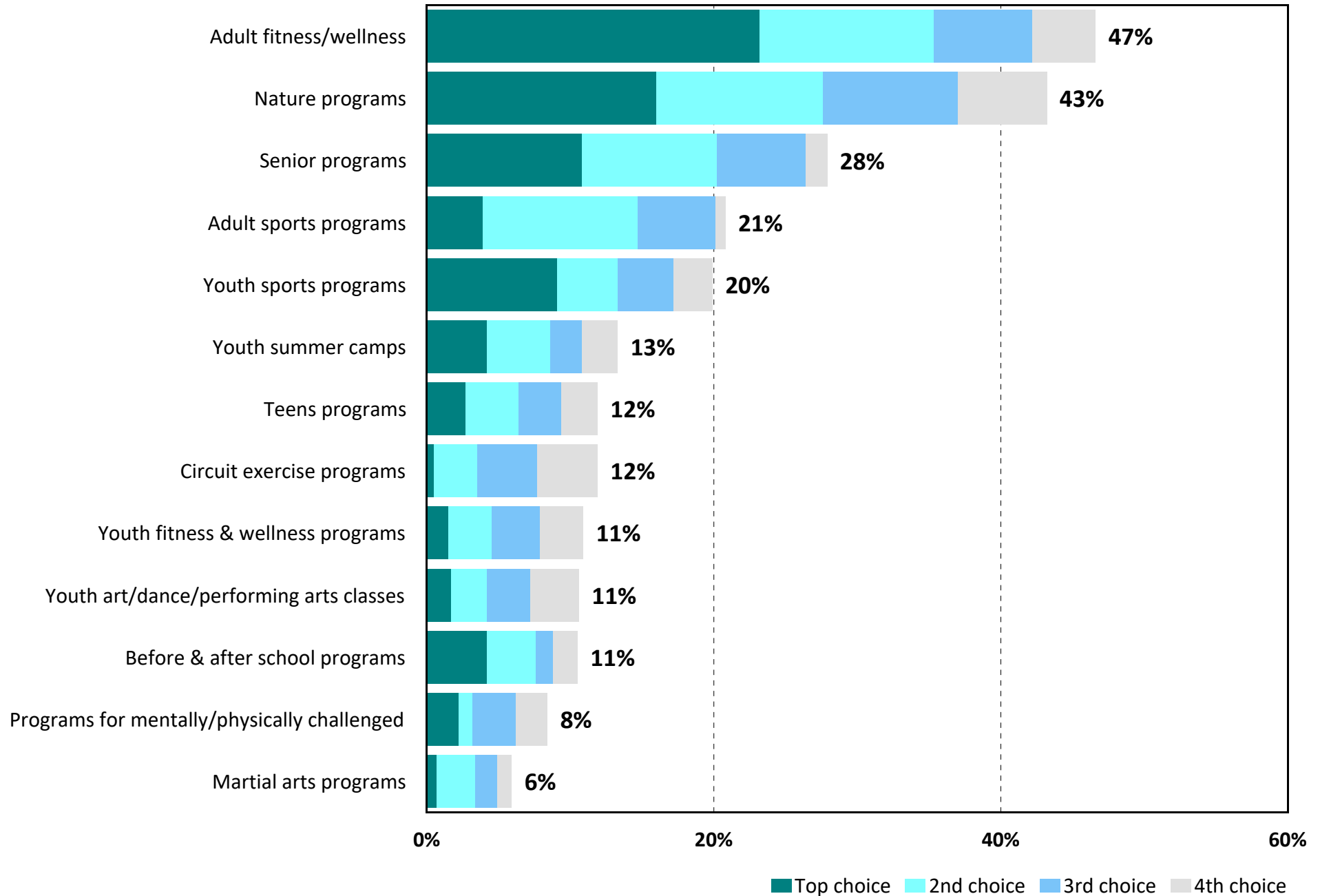
Q13c. Estimated number of households whose program needs are only “partly met” or “not met”

by number of households with need based on an estimated 74,960 households



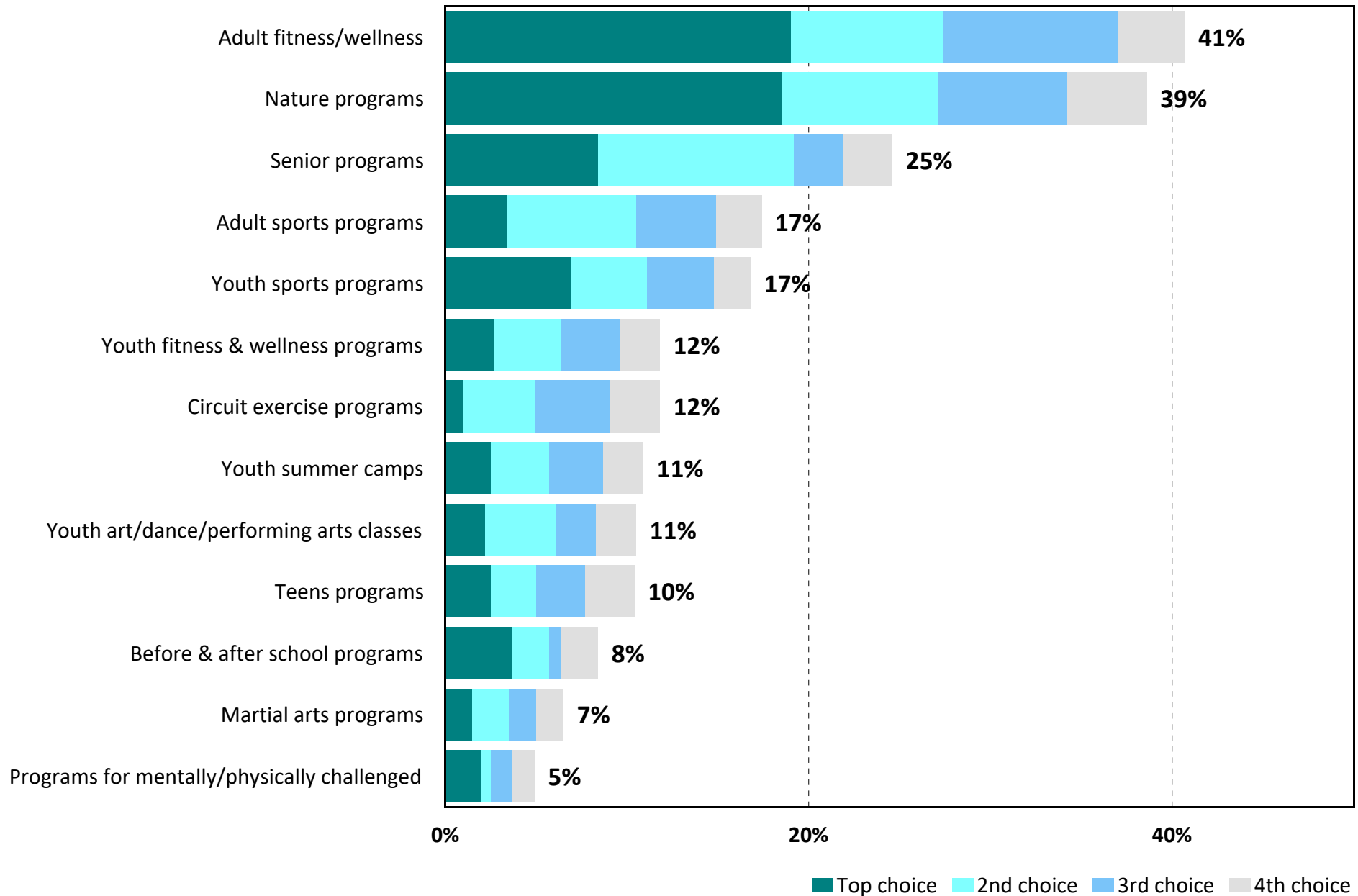
Q14. Which four of the programs are most important to you/your household?

by percentage of respondents who selected the items as one of their top four choices



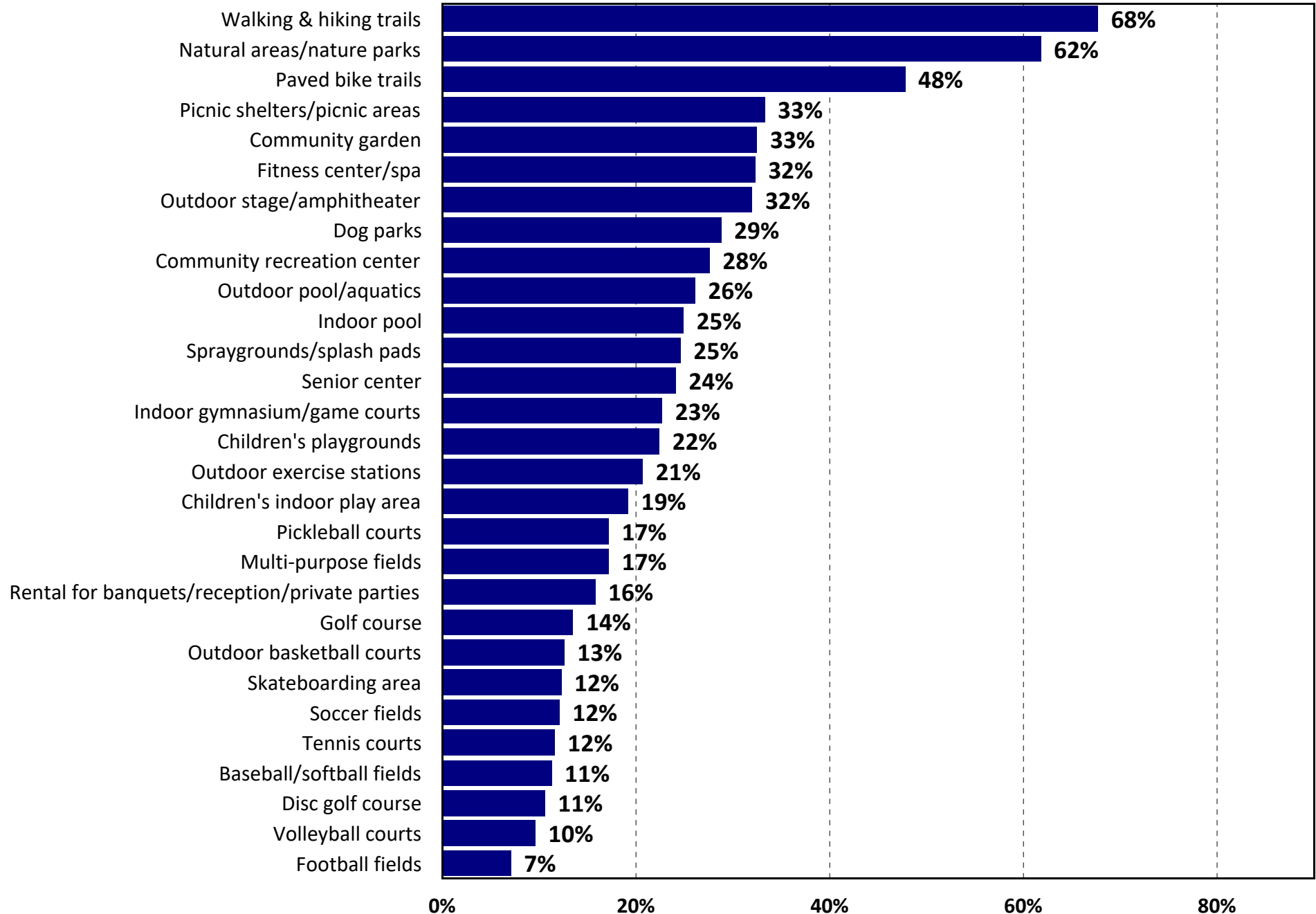
Q15. Which four of the programs would you/your household use most if they were developed by PSLPRD?

by percentage of respondents who selected the items as one of their top four choices



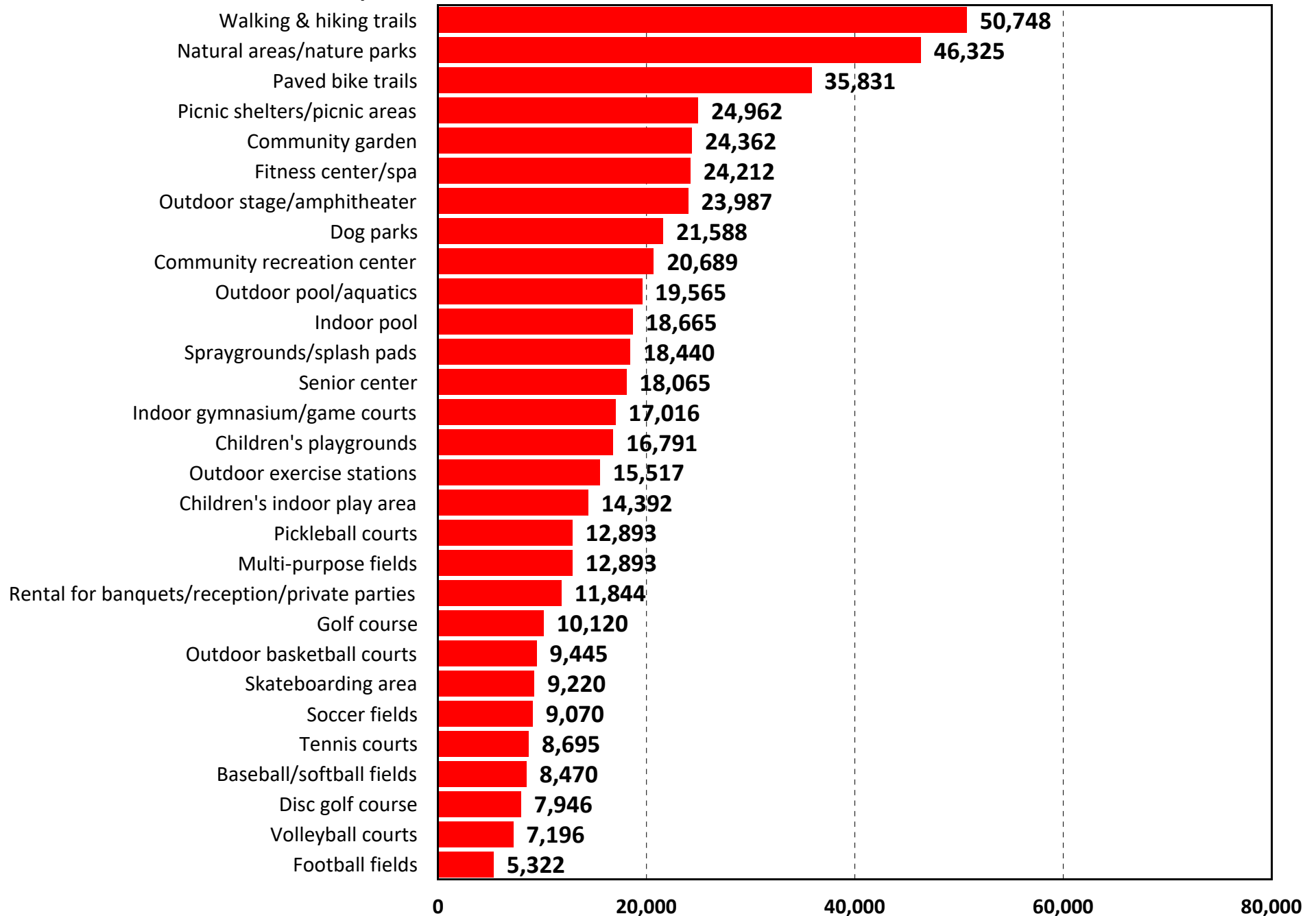
Q16. Need for facilities.

by percentage of respondents who indicated need



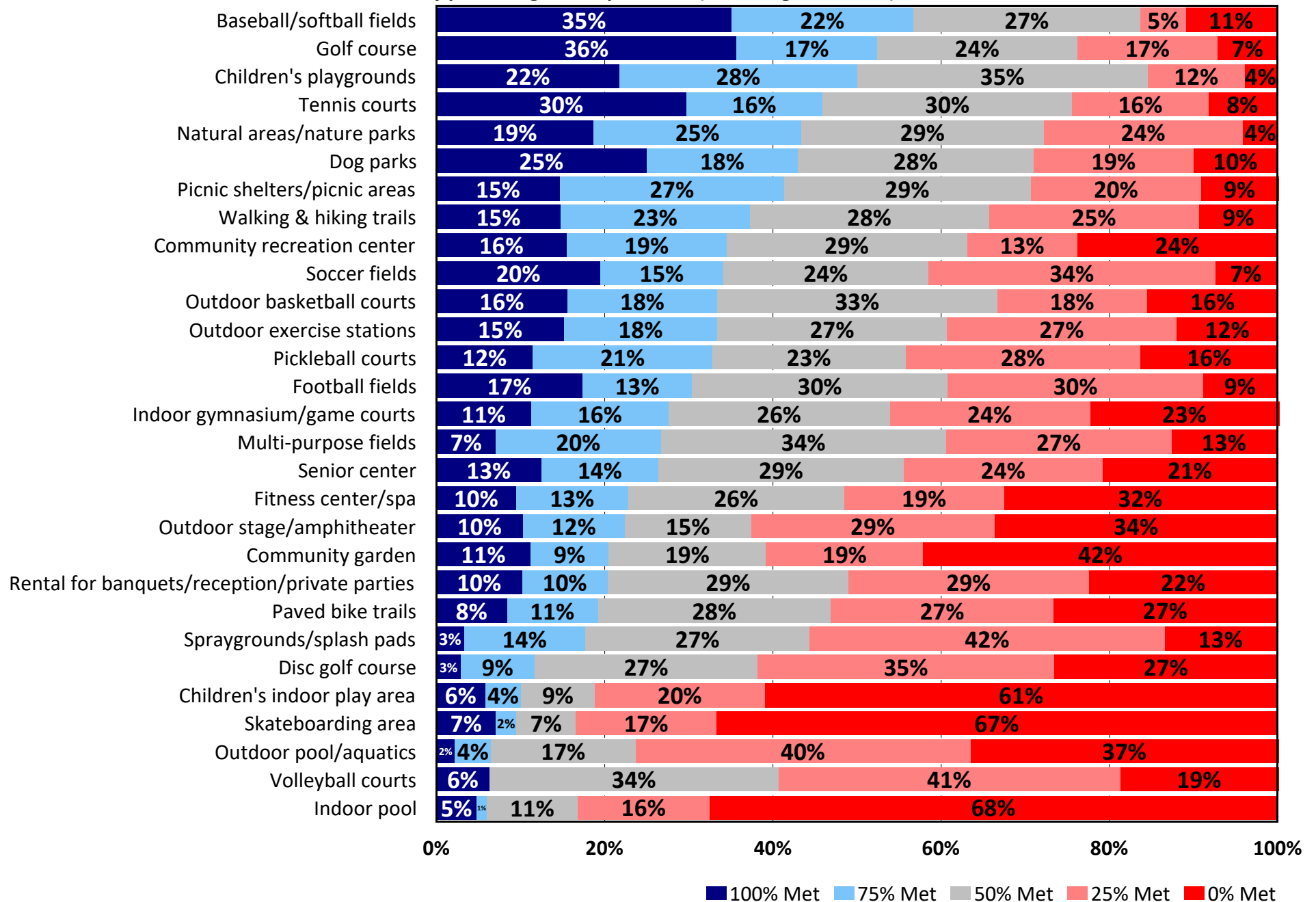
Q16. Estimated number of households who have a need for facilities.

by number of households based on an estimated 74,960 households



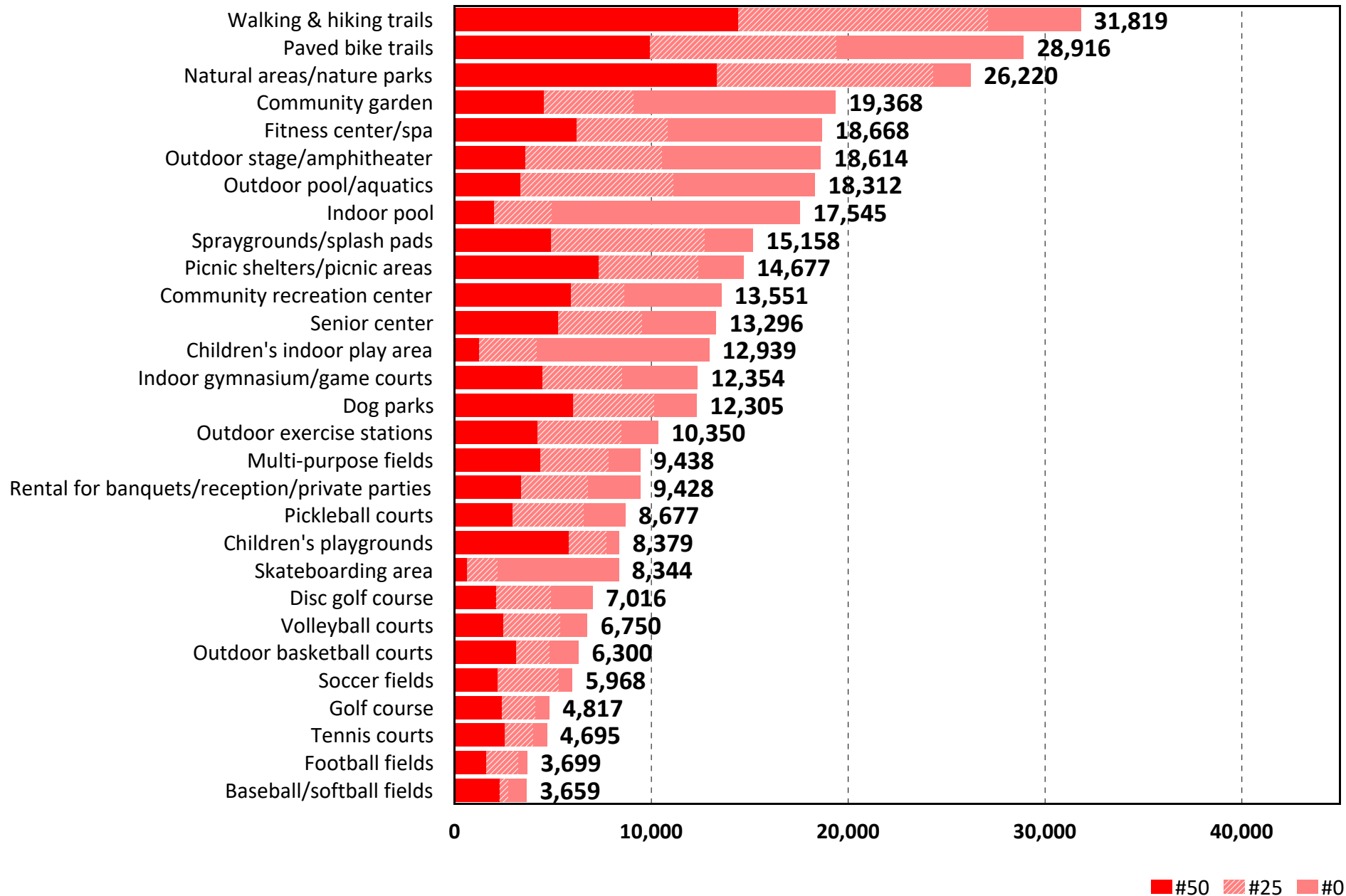
Q16. Please indicate how well your needs for each of the facilities.

by percentage of respondents (excluding "no need")



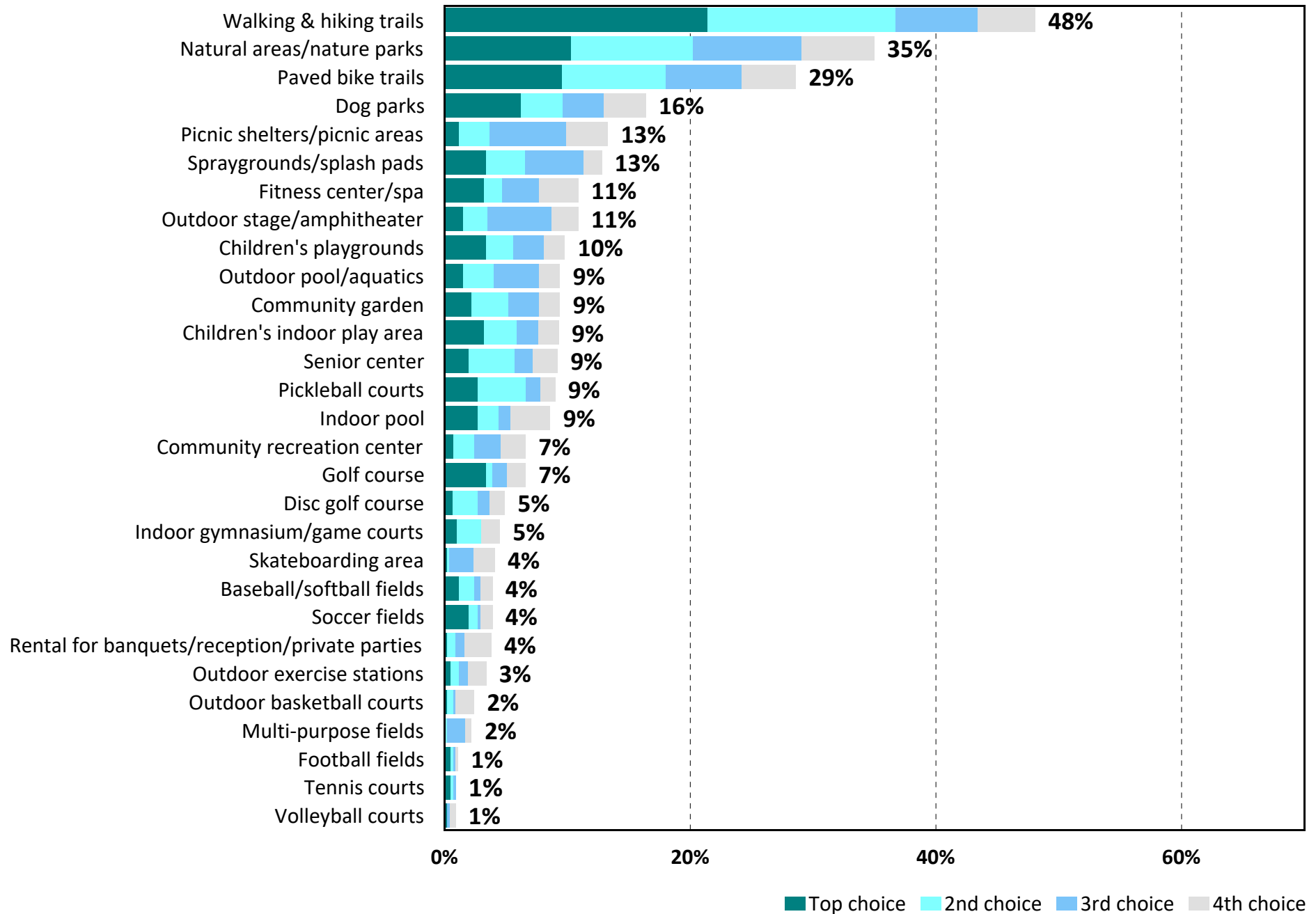
Q16c. Estimated number of households whose facility needs are only “partly met” or “not met.”

by number of households with need based on an estimated 74,960 households



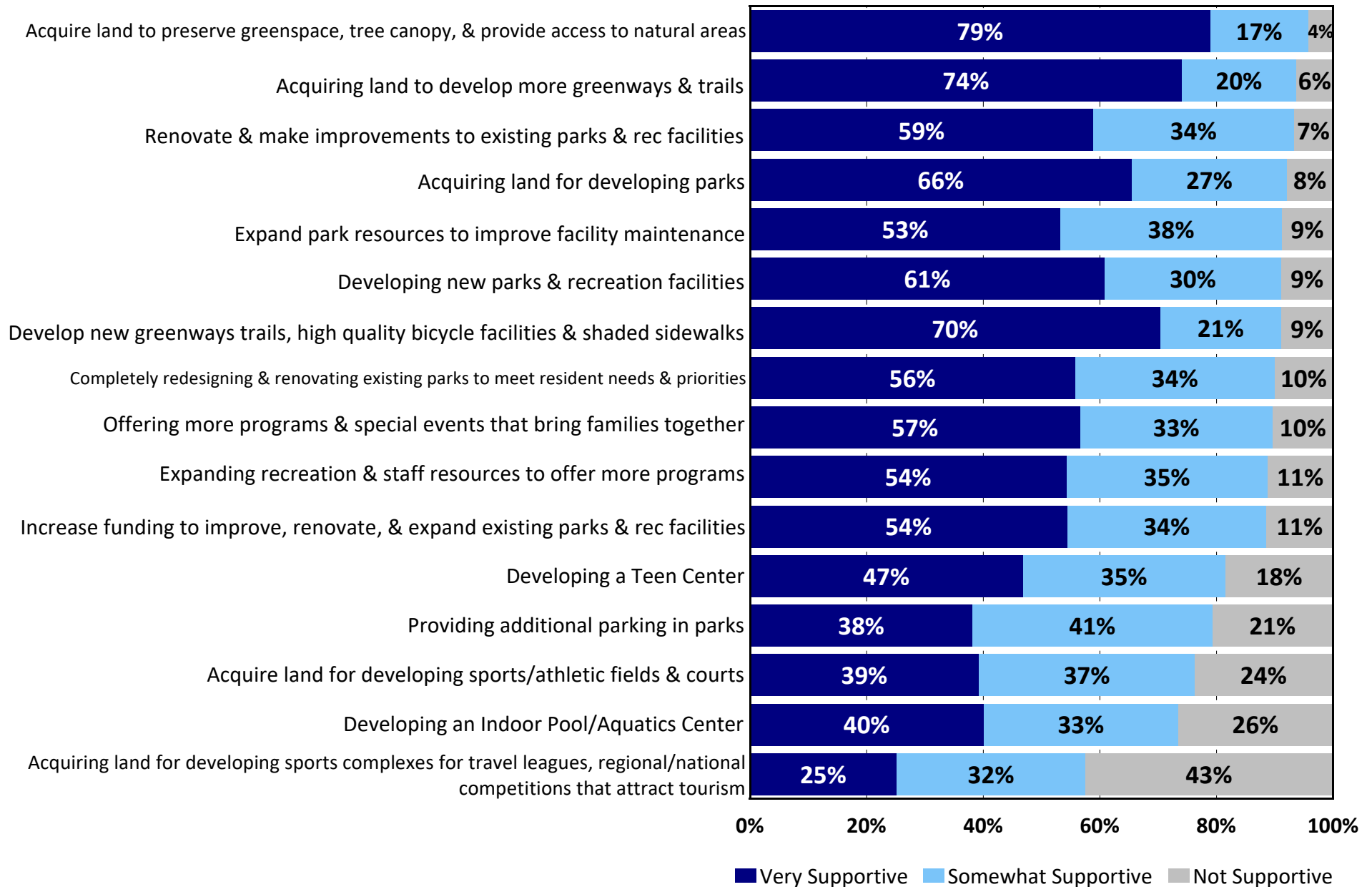
Q17. Which four of the facilities are most important to you/your household?

by percentage of respondents who selected the items as one of their top four choices



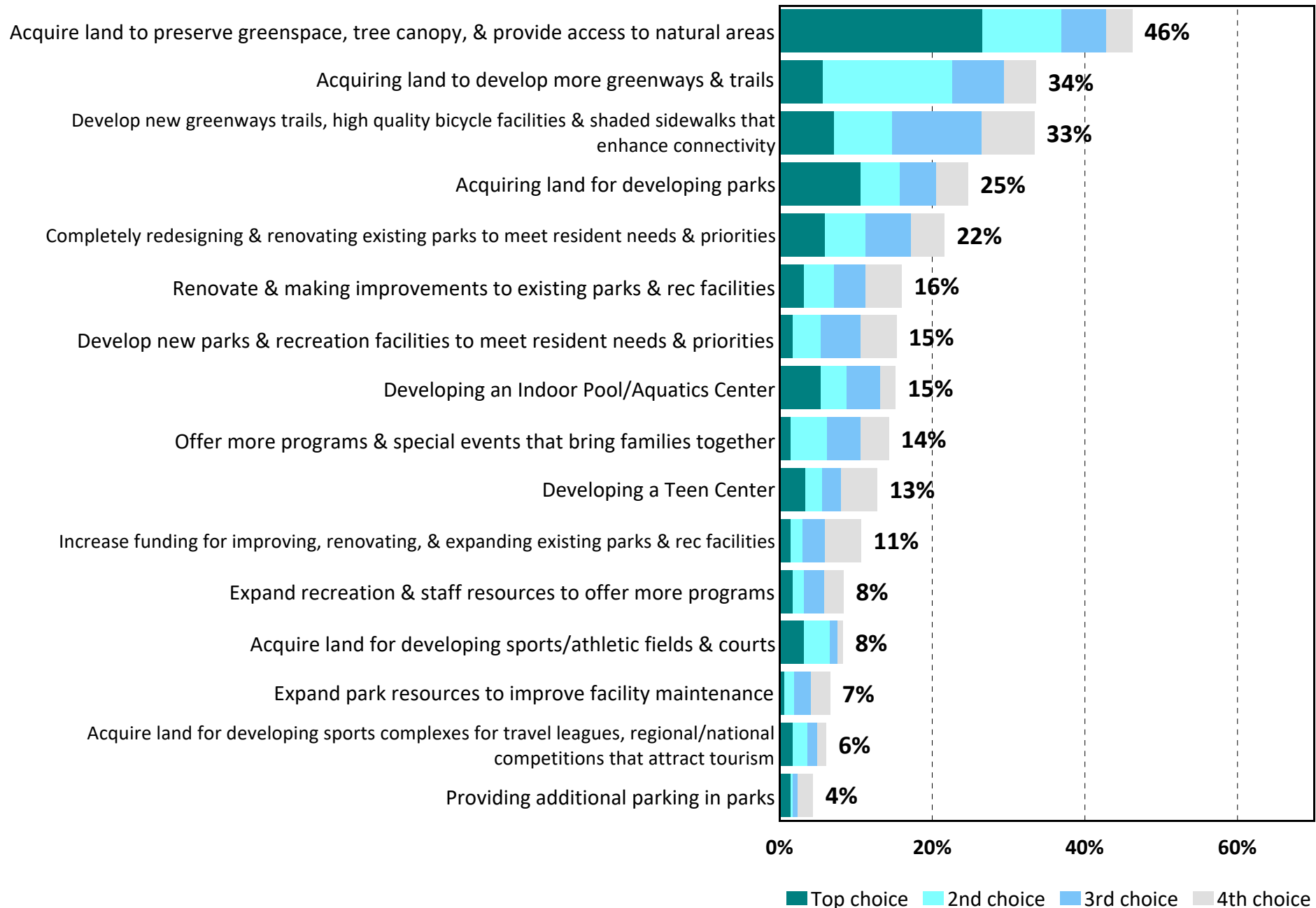
Q18. Please indicate how supportive you would be of each of the following actions the City could take to improve the Parks and Recreation system.

by percentage of respondents (excluding "not sure")



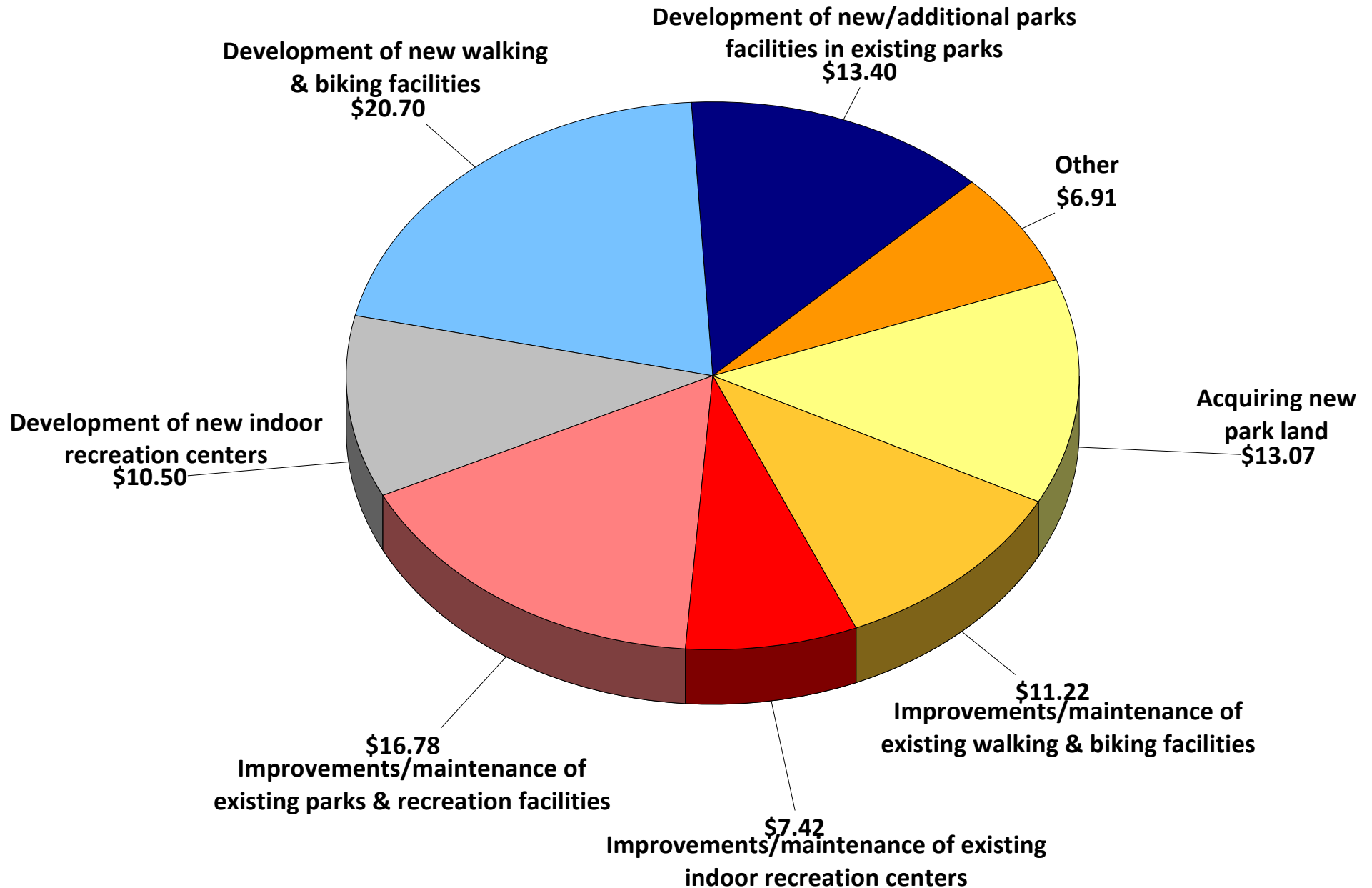
Q19. Which four of the actions are most important to you/your household?

by percentage of respondents who selected the items as one of their top four choices



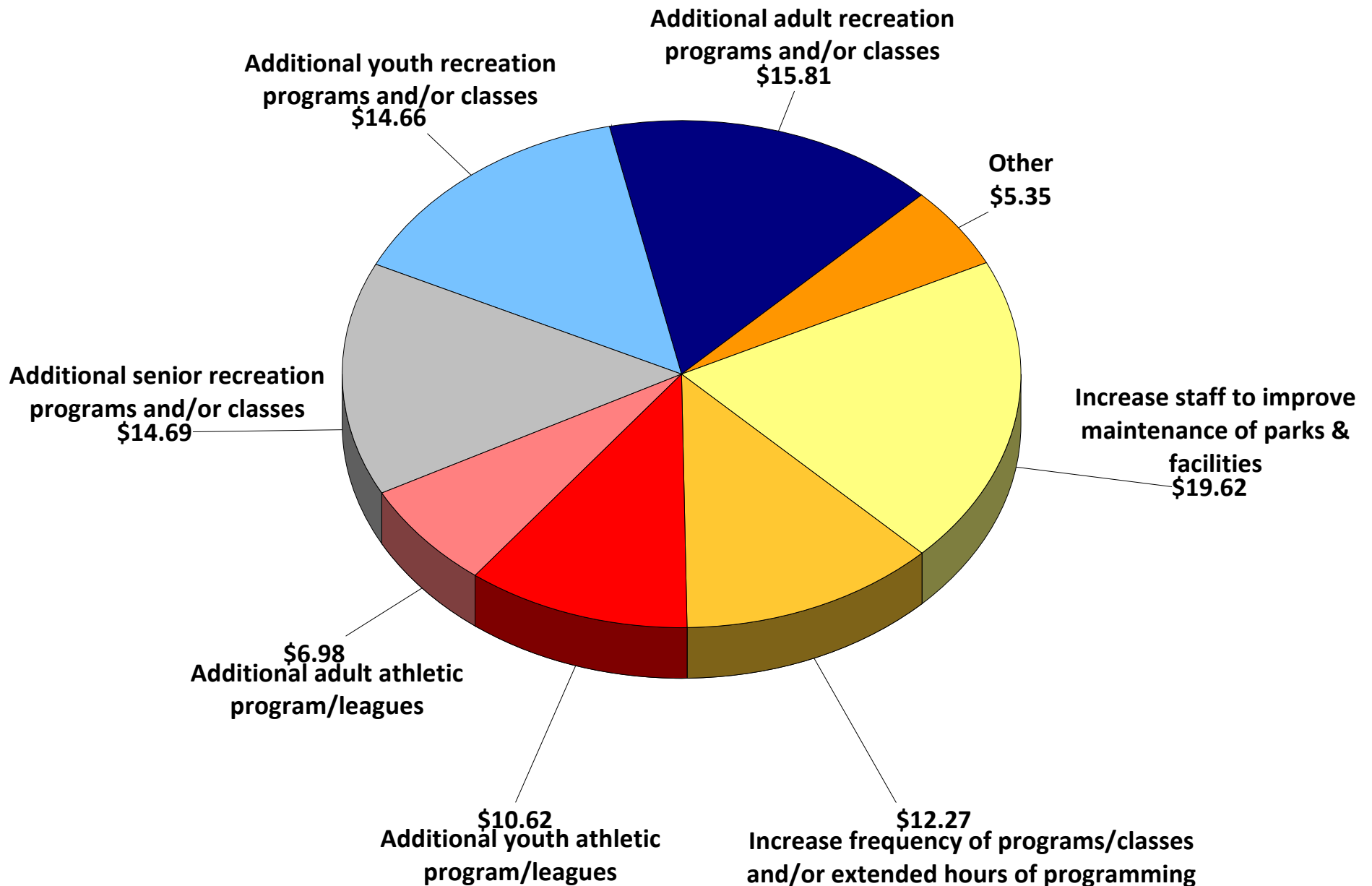
Q20. If you had a budget of \$100 for facilities/capital improvements, how would you allocate the funds among the categories of funding listed below?

by percentage of respondents



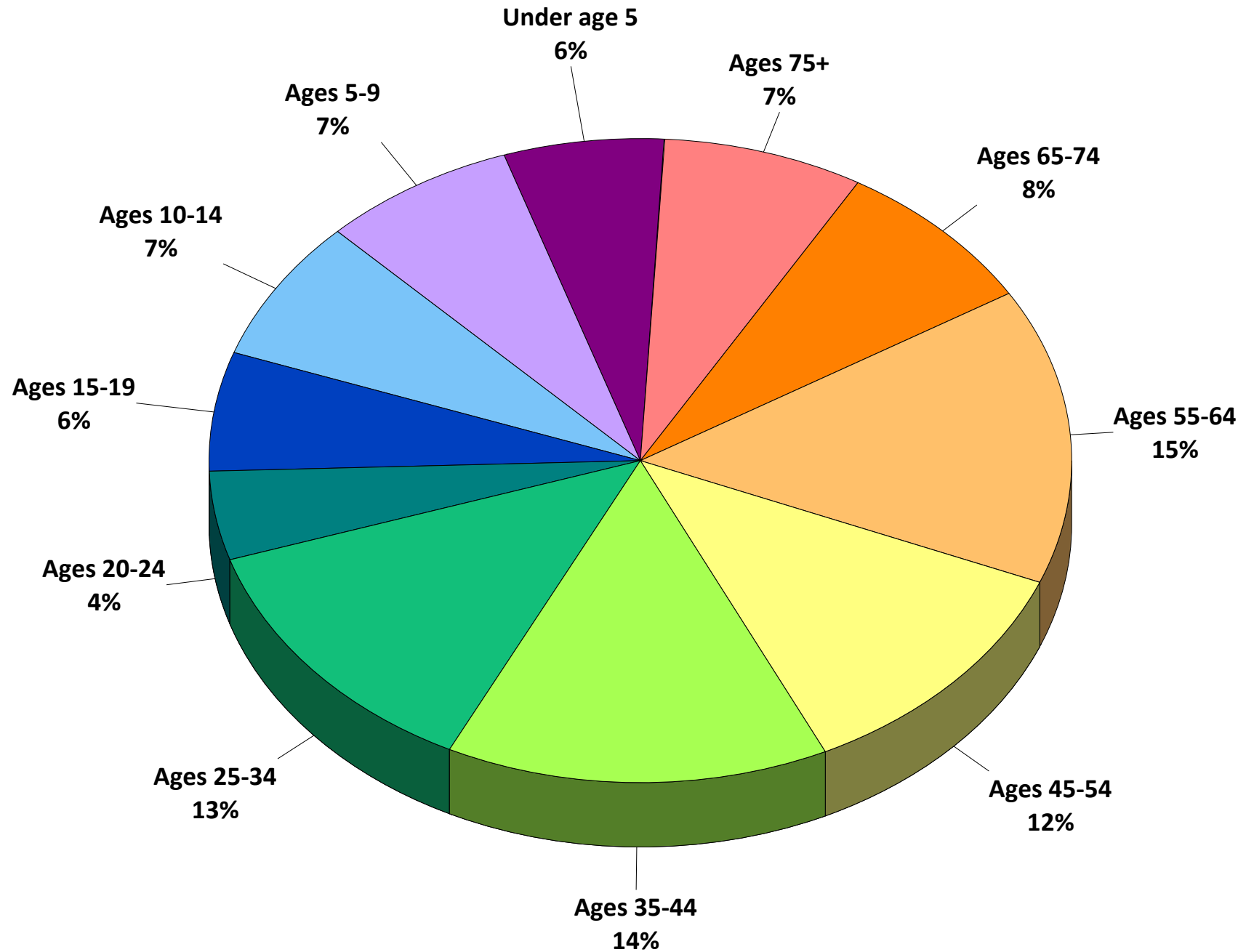
Q21. If you had a budget of \$100 for programs and operations, how would you allocate the funds among the categories of funding listed below?

by percentage of respondents



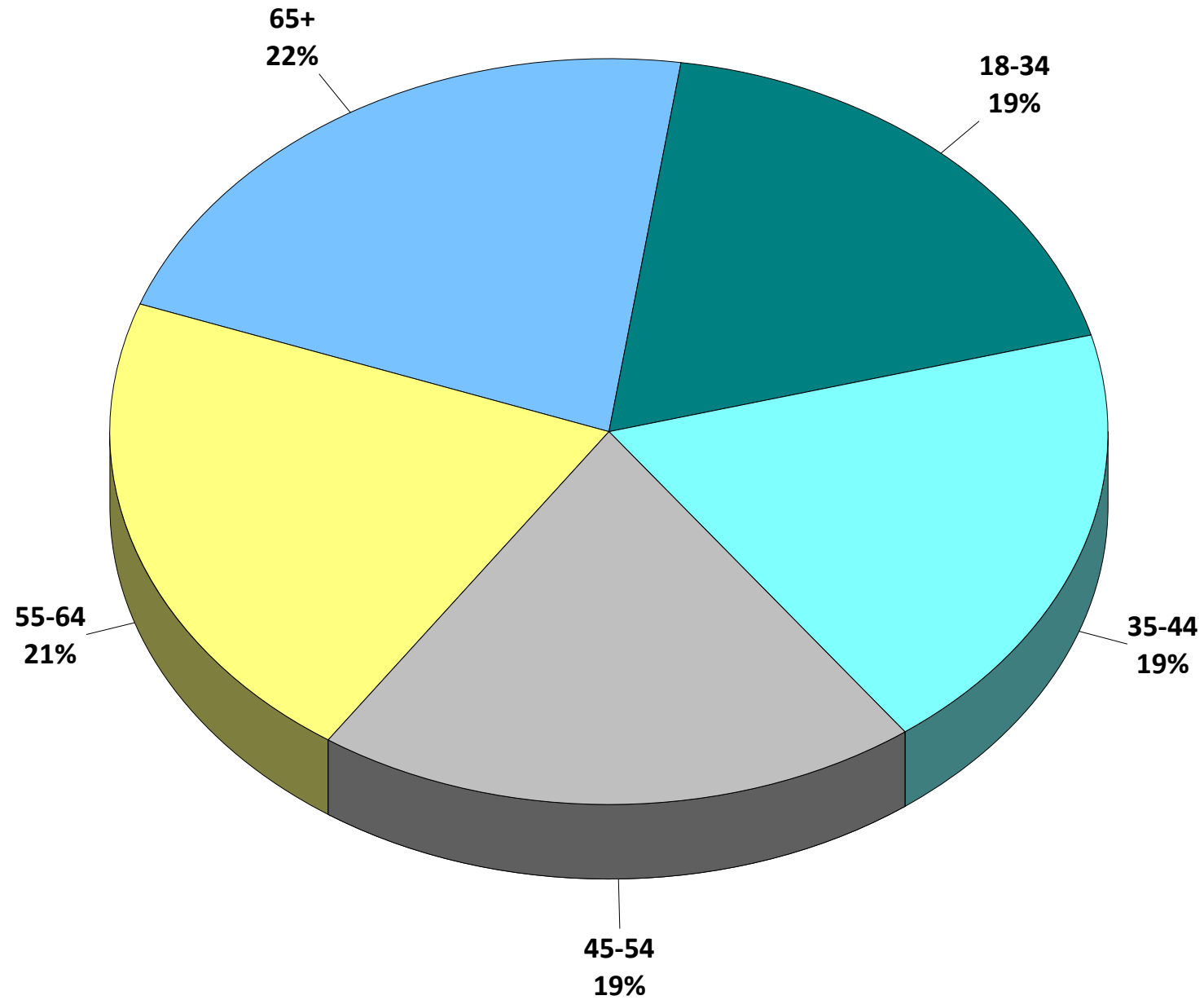
Q24. Counting yourself, how many people in your household are...

by percentage of persons in household



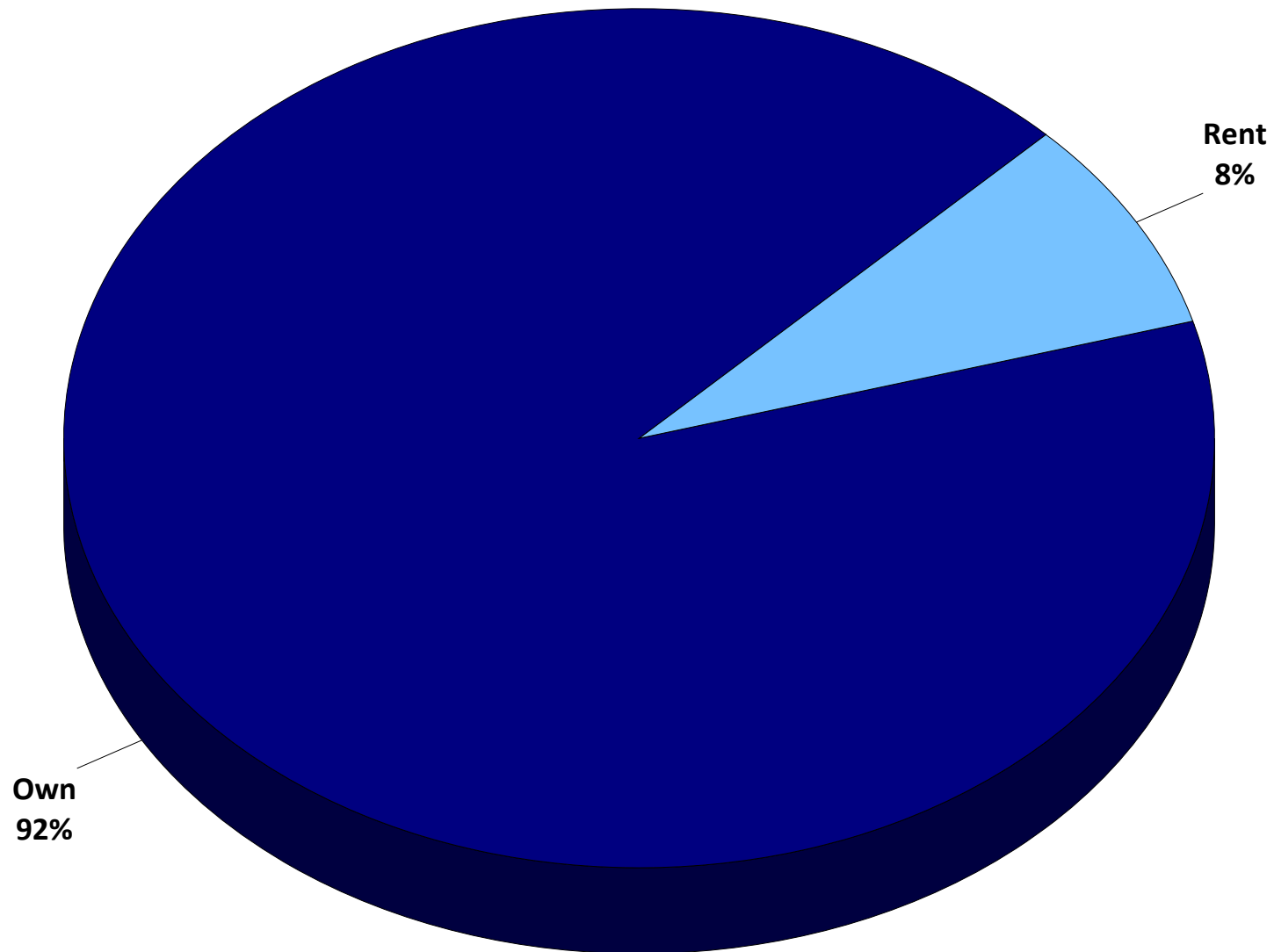
Q25. What is your age?

by percentage of respondents (excluding "not provided")



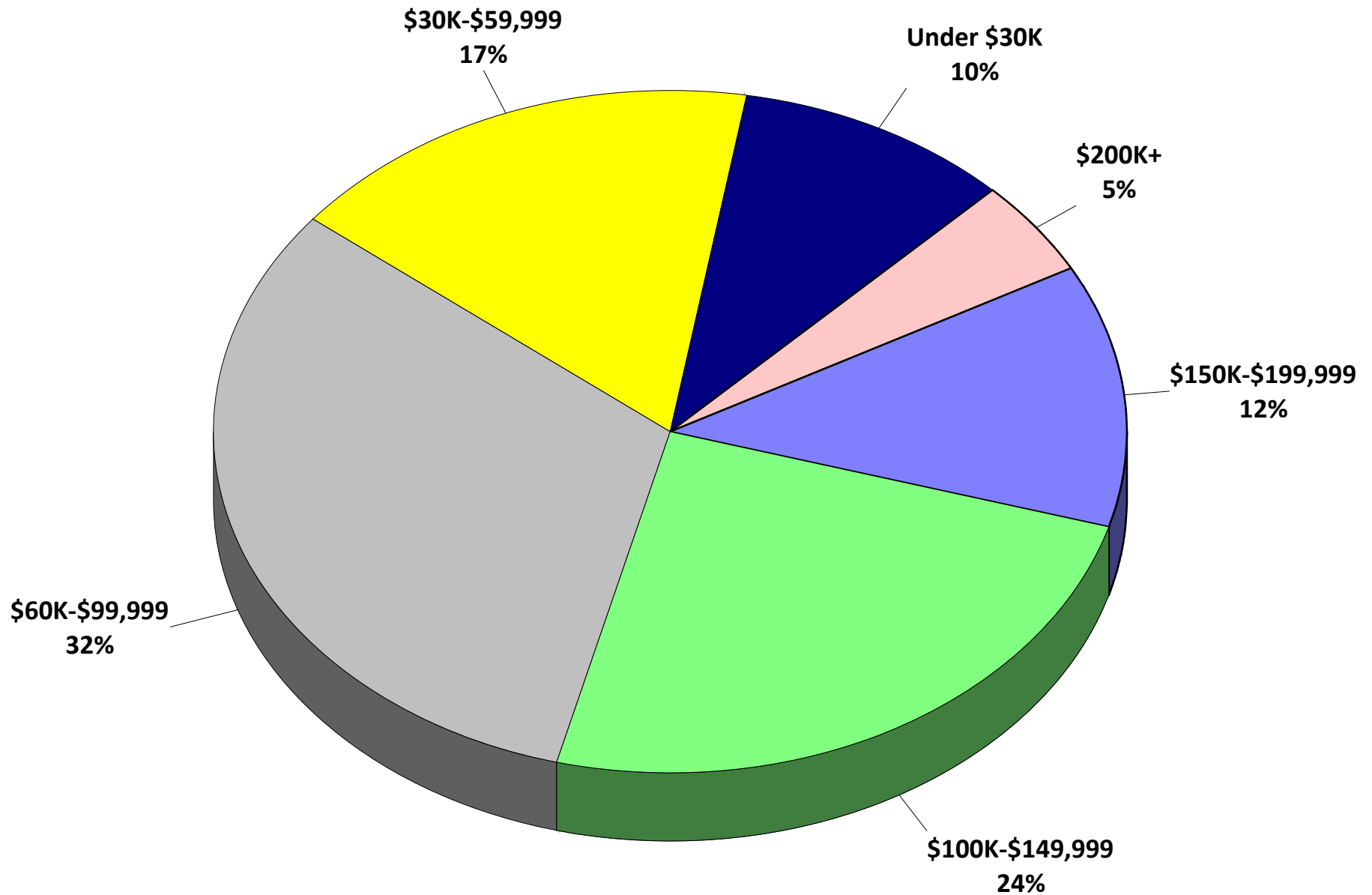
Q26. Do you own/rent your home?

by percentage of respondents (excluding "not provided")



Q27. Which of the following best describes your household's total annual income?

by percentage of respondents (excluding "not provided")



3 **Priority Investment Ratings**



Priority Investment Rating (PIR)

Overview

The Priority Investment Rating (PIR) was developed by ETC Institute to provide governments with an objective tool for evaluating the priority that should be placed on parks and recreation investments. The Priority Investment Rating was developed by ETC Institute to identify the facilities/programs residents think should receive the highest priority for investment. The Priority Investment Rating reflects the importance residents place on items (sum of top 4 choices) and the unmet needs (needs that are only being met 50% or less) for each facility/program relative to the facility/program that rated the highest overall. Since decisions related to future investments should consider both the level of unmet need and the importance of facilities/programs, the PIR weights each of these components equally.

The PIR reflects the sum of the Unmet Needs Rating and the Importance Rating as shown in the equation below:

$$\text{PIR} = \text{UNR} + \text{IR}$$

For example, suppose the Unmet Needs Rating for playgrounds is 26.5 (out of 100) and the Importance Rating for playgrounds is 52 (out of 100), the Priority Investment Rating for playgrounds would be 78.5 (out of 200).

How to Analyze the Charts:

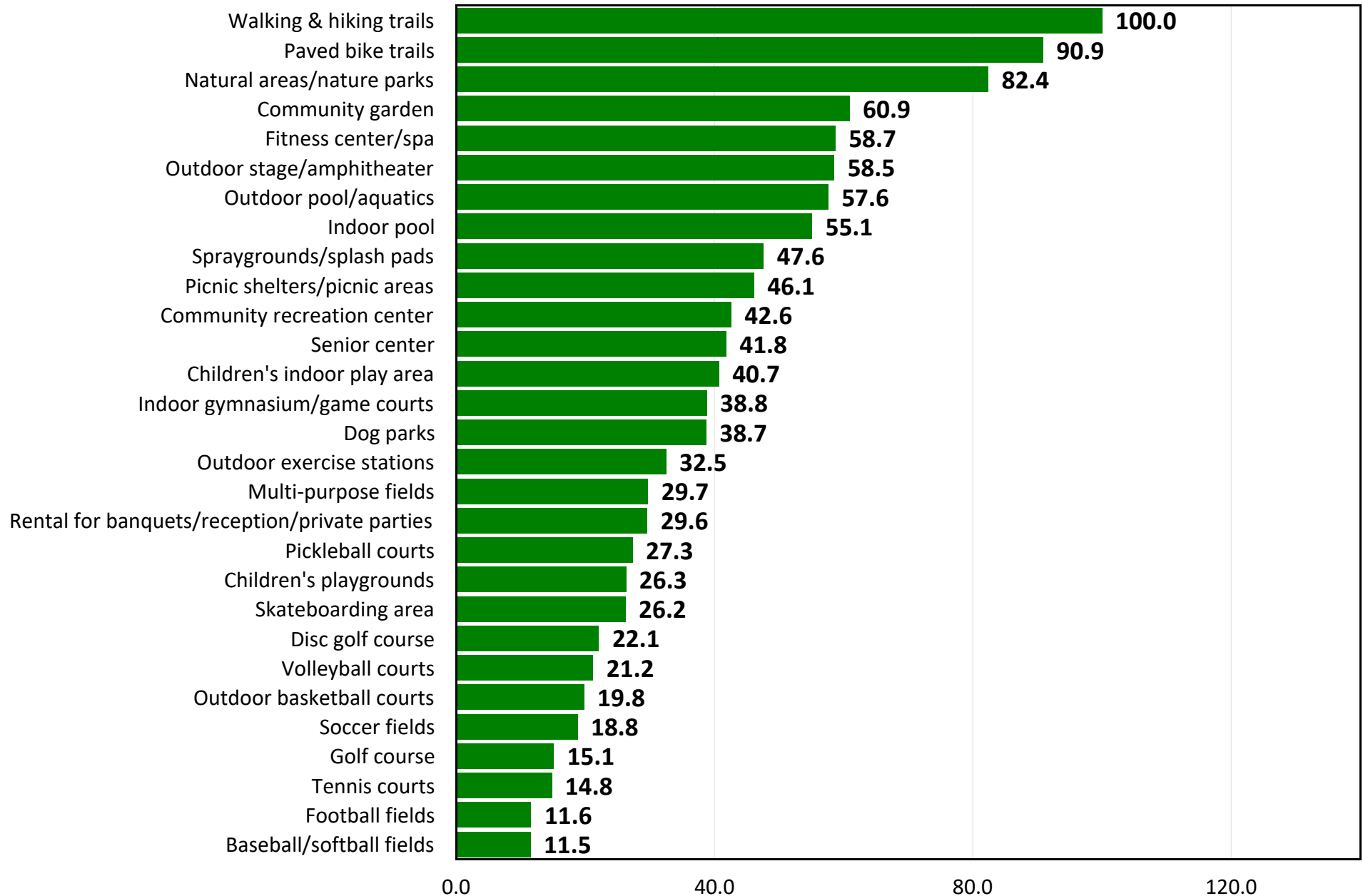
- High Priority Areas are those with a PIR of at least 100. A rating of 100 or above generally indicates there is a relatively high level of unmet need and residents generally think it is important to fund improvements in these areas. Improvements in this area are likely to have a positive impact on the greatest number of households.
- Medium Priority Areas are those with a PIR of 50-99. A rating in this range generally indicates there is a medium to high level of unmet need or a significant percentage of residents generally think it is important to fund improvements in these areas.
- Low Priority Areas are those with a PIR below 49. A rating in this range generally indicates there is a relatively low level of unmet need and residents do not think it is important to fund improvements in these areas. Improvements may be warranted if the needs of very specialized populations are being targeted.

The following pages show the Unmet Needs Rating, Importance Rating, and Priority Investment Rating for facilities and programs.

Unmet Needs Rating for Facilities

the rating for the item with the most unmet need=100

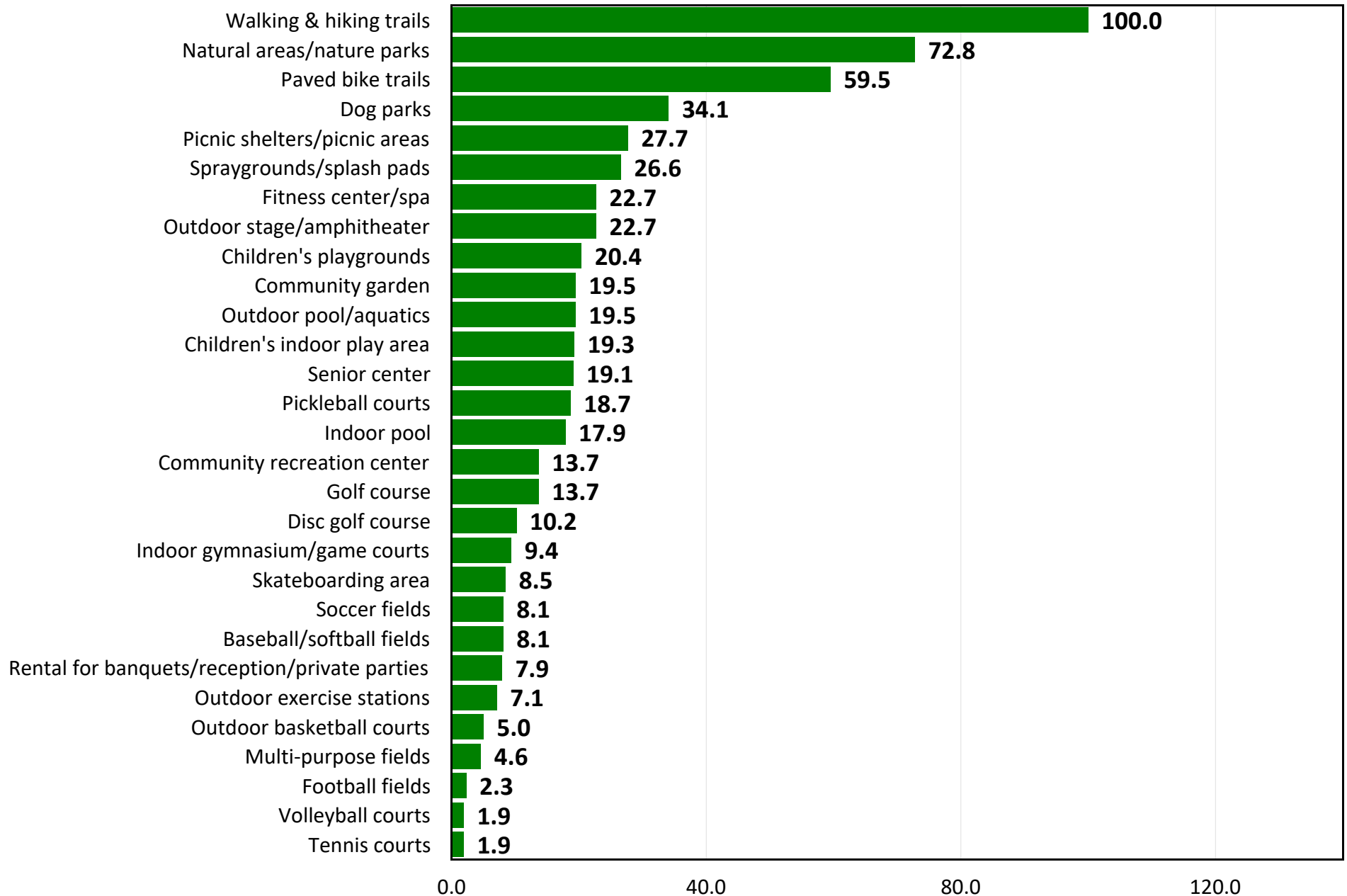
the rating of all other items reflects the relative amount of unmet need for each item compared to the item with the most unmet need



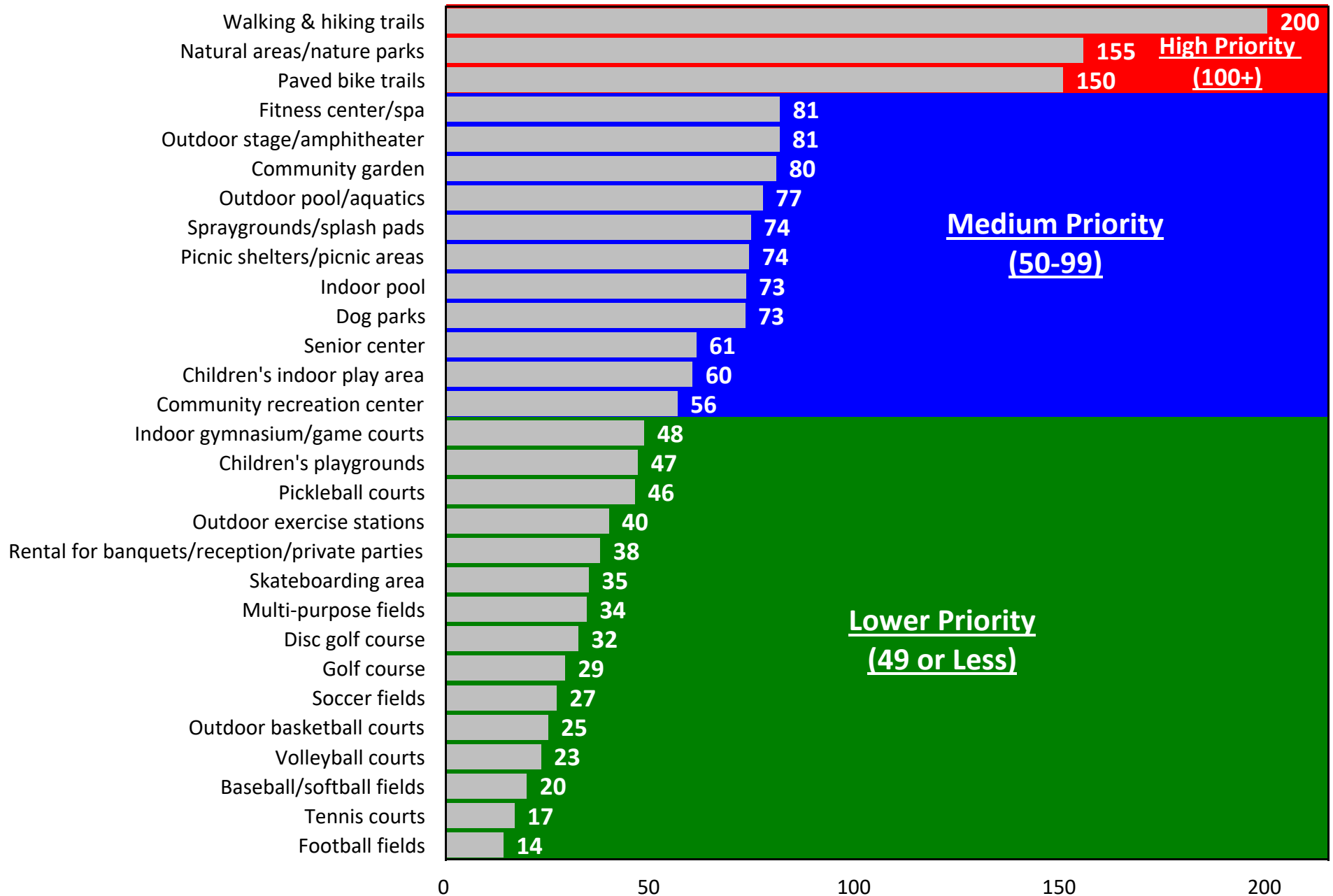
Importance Rating for Facilities

the rating for the item rated as the most important=100

the rating of all other items reflects the relative level of importance for each item compared to the item rated as the most important



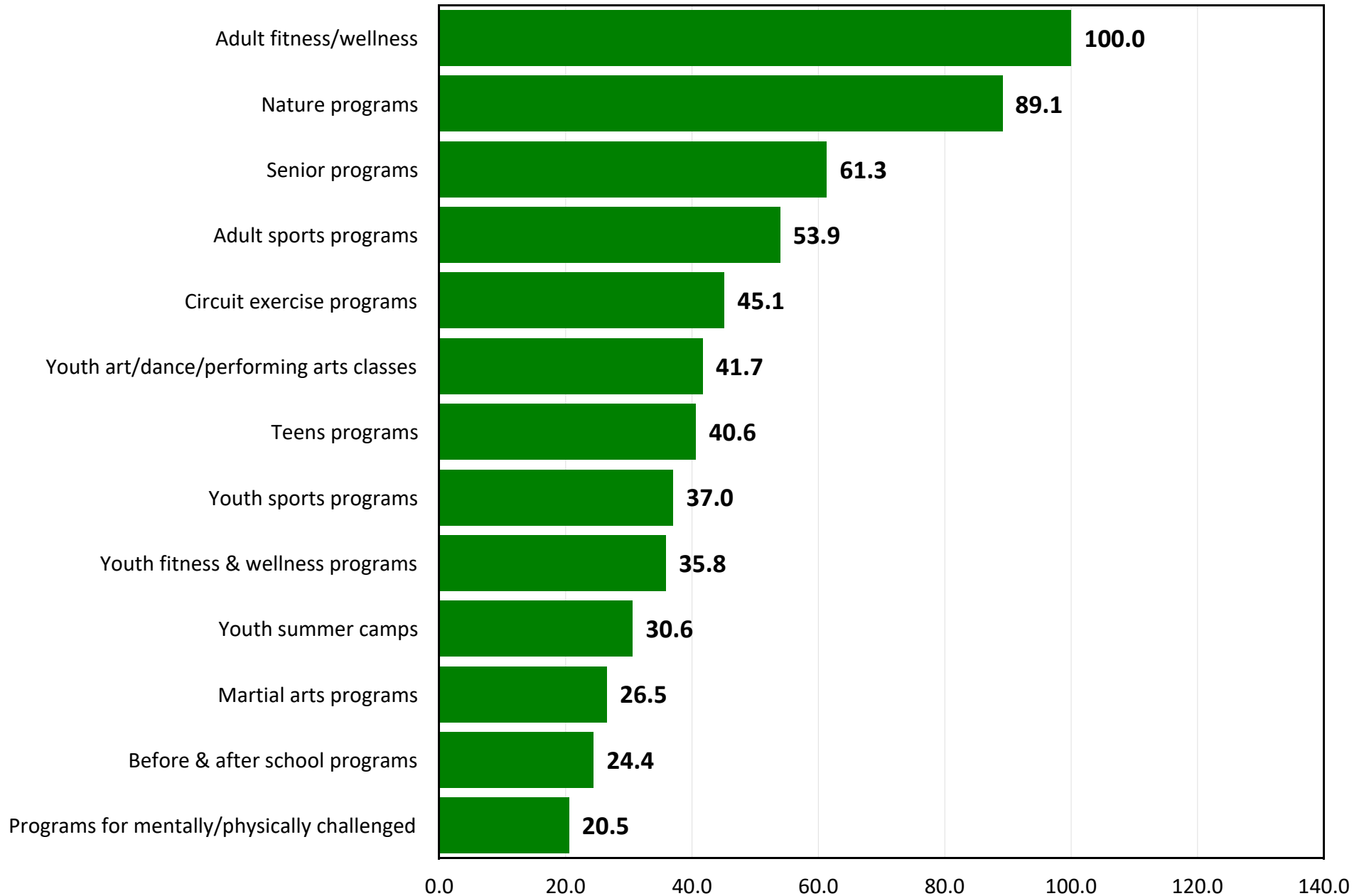
Top Priorities for Investment for Facilities Based on Priority Investment Rating



Unmet Needs Rating for Programs

the rating for the item with the most unmet need=100

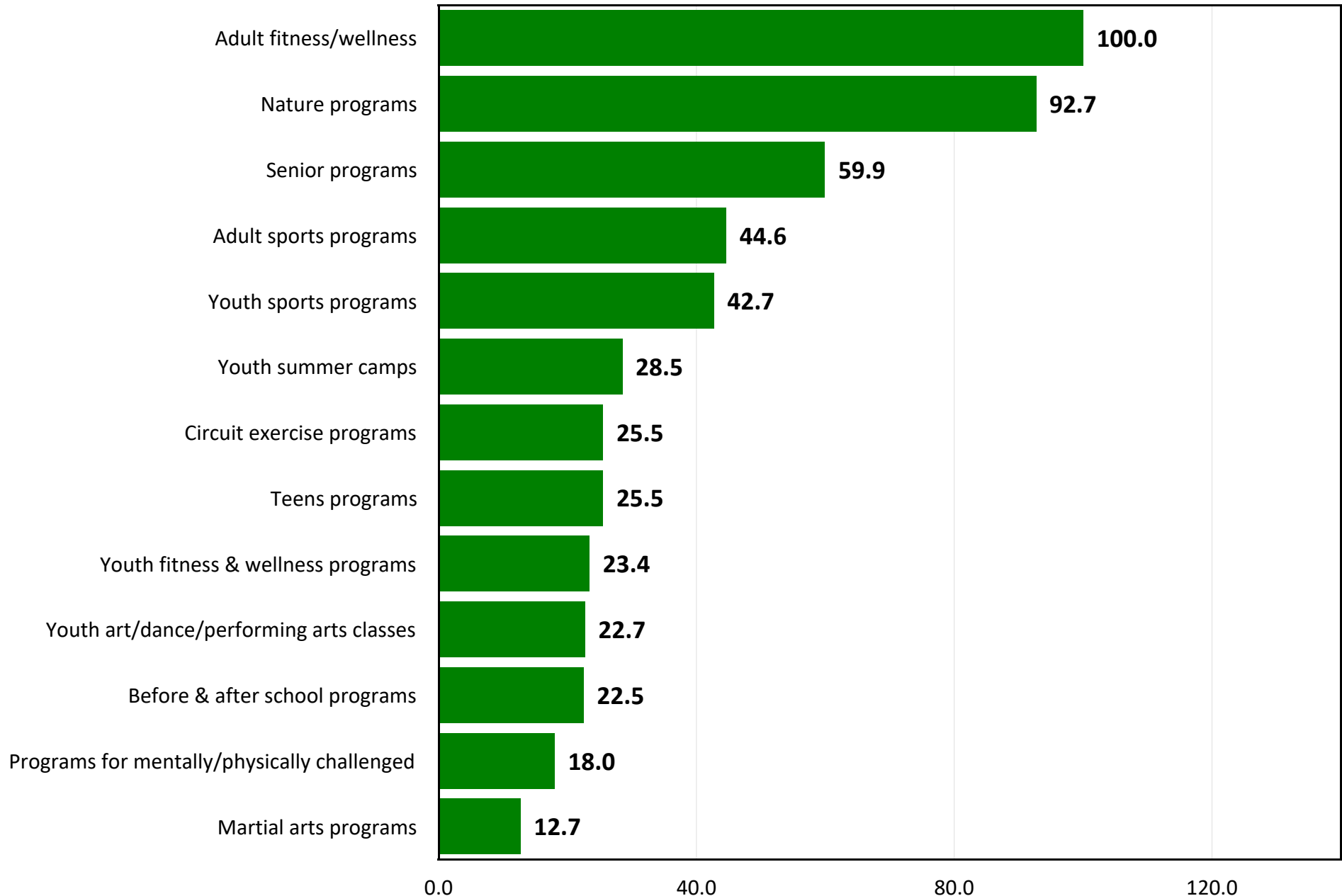
the rating of all other items reflects the relative amount of unmet need for each item compared to the item with the most unmet need



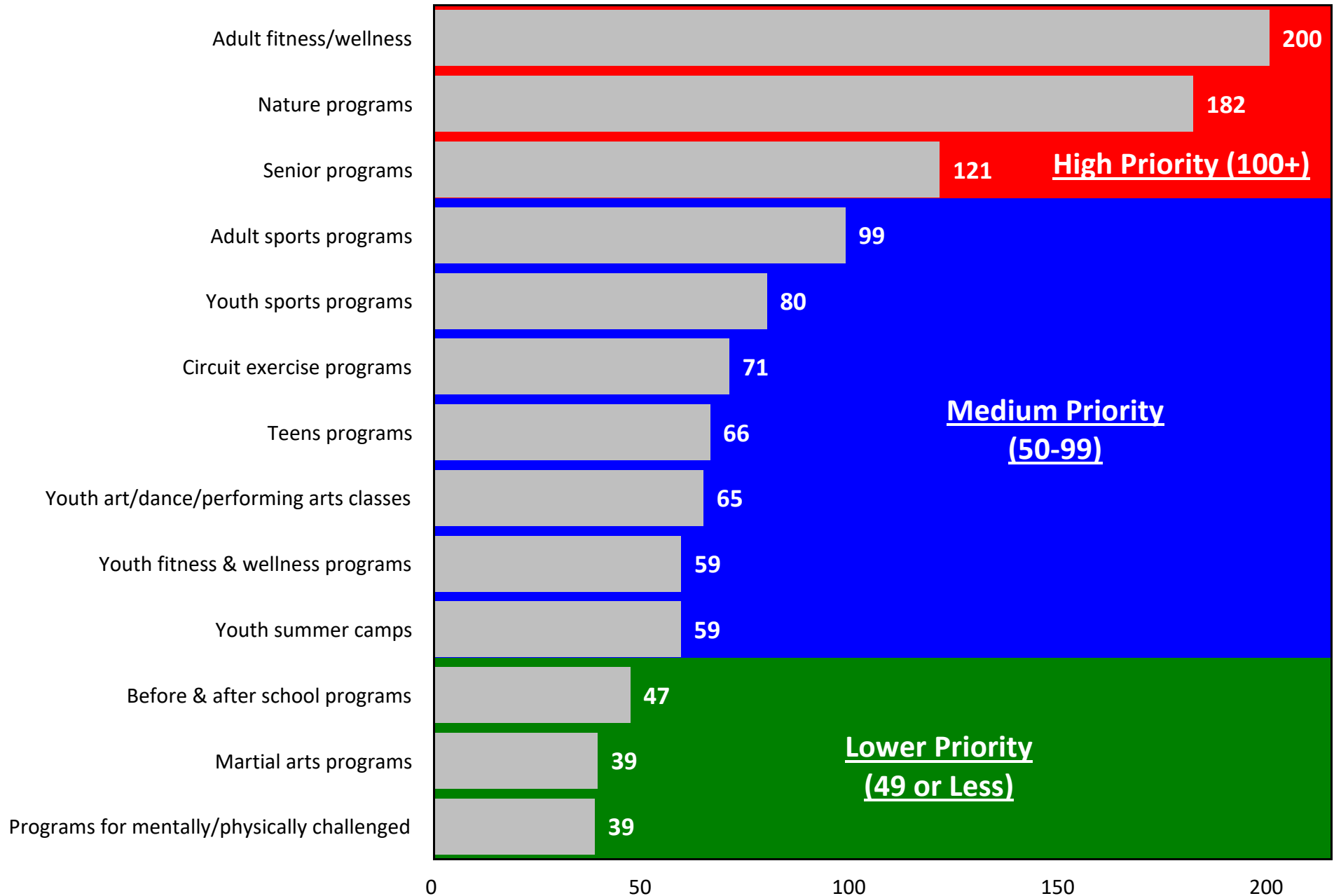
Importance Rating for Programs

the rating for the item rated as the most important=100

the rating of all other items reflects the relative level of importance for each item compared to the item rated as the most important



Top Priorities for Investment for Programs Based on Priority Investment Rating



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Tabular Data

Q1. Please CHECK ALL of the following parks operated by the City of Port St. Lucie Parks and Recreation Department (PSLPRD) that you or members of your household have visited during the past year.

Q1. All the parks your household members have visited during past year

	Number	Percent
Apache Park	7	1.7 %
Botanical gardens	262	64.5 %
C-24 Canal Park	64	15.8 %
Charles E. Ray Park	38	9.4 %
Community Center	125	30.8 %
Deacon Street Transit Station	5	1.2 %
Doat Street Park	5	1.2 %
Event Center-Recreation & Fitness	63	15.5 %
Fred Cook Park	19	4.7 %
Girl Scout Friendship Park	32	7.9 %
Gulf Stream Park	8	2.0 %
Harborview Park	9	2.2 %
Ian T. Zook Park	6	1.5 %
Jaycee Park	88	21.7 %
Jessica Clinton Park	147	36.2 %
Kiwanis Park	53	13.1 %
Loyalty Park	3	0.7 %
Lyngate Park & Dog Park	137	33.7 %
Mariposa Cane Slough Preserve	21	5.2 %
Mary Ann Cernuto Park	2	0.5 %
McCarty Ranch Preserve	69	17.0 %
McChesney Park	69	17.0 %
Midport Lake	9	2.2 %
Minsky Gym	72	17.7 %
O.L. Peacock Sr. Park/Lake	23	5.7 %
Oak Hammock	107	26.4 %
Pioneer Park at The Port	106	26.1 %
Port St. Lucie Elks Lodge/Friendship Park	24	5.9 %
Ravenswood Racquetball Club	18	4.4 %
Riverland Paseo Park	36	8.9 %
River Place Park	51	12.6 %
Rotary Park	30	7.4 %
Saints at Port St. Lucie Golf Course	57	14.0 %
Sandhill Crane Park	64	15.8 %
Sandpiper Bay Park	36	8.9 %
Sportsman's Park	98	24.1 %
Sportsman's Park West	29	7.1 %
Swan Park	36	8.9 %
Tom Hooper Family Park	6	1.5 %
Treasure Coast Model Railroad Club	20	4.9 %
Turtle Run Park	69	17.0 %
U.S. Submarine Veterans Park	31	7.6 %
Veterans Memorial Park	136	33.5 %
Veterans Park at Rivergate	110	27.1 %
Whispering Pines Park	135	33.3 %
Whitmore Park	12	3.0 %
Wilderness Park	13	3.2 %
Winterlakes Park	61	15.0 %
Woodland Trails Neighborhood Park	78	19.2 %

Q1. Please CHECK ALL of the following parks operated by the City of Port St. Lucie Parks and Recreation Department (PSLPRD) that you or members of your household have visited during the past year.

Q1. All the parks your household members have visited during past year

	Number	Percent
Woodstork Trail	31	7.6 %
Total	2730	

Q2. Which TWO of the parks from the list in Question 1 does your household use MOST OFTEN?

Q2. Top choice	Number	Percent
Botanical gardens	72	17.7 %
C-24 Canal Park	8	2.0 %
Charles E. Ray Park	2	0.5 %
Community Center	10	2.5 %
Doat Street Park	1	0.2 %
Event Center-Recreation & Fitness	8	2.0 %
Fred Cook Park	1	0.2 %
Girl Scout Friendship Park	6	1.5 %
Jaycee Park	6	1.5 %
Jessica Clinton Park	31	7.6 %
Kiwanis Park	3	0.7 %
Lyngate Park & Dog Park	17	4.2 %
Mariposa Cane Slough Preserve	2	0.5 %
McCarty Ranch Preserve	5	1.2 %
McChesney Park	8	2.0 %
Minsky Gym	4	1.0 %
O.L. Peacock Sr. Park/Lake	4	1.0 %
Oak Hammock	10	2.5 %
Pioneer Park at The Port	15	3.7 %
Port St. Lucie Elks Lodge/Friendship Park	2	0.5 %
Ravenswood Racquetball Club	1	0.2 %
Riverland Paseo Park	12	3.0 %
River Place Park	5	1.2 %
Rotary Park	5	1.2 %
Saints at Port St. Lucie Golf Course	9	2.2 %
Sandpiper Bay Park	2	0.5 %
Sportsman's Park	11	2.7 %
Sportsman's Park West	1	0.2 %
Swan Park	8	2.0 %
Turtle Run Park	5	1.2 %
U.S. Submarine Veterans Park	4	1.0 %
Veterans Memorial Park	4	1.0 %
Veterans Park at Rivergate	9	2.2 %
Whispering Pines Park	36	8.9 %
Whitmore Park	1	0.2 %
Wilderness Park	1	0.2 %
Winterlakes Park	12	3.0 %
Woodland Trails Neighborhood Park	13	3.2 %
Woodstork Trail	3	0.7 %
None chosen	49	12.1 %
Total	406	100.0 %

Q2. Which TWO of the parks from the list in Question 1 does your household use MOST OFTEN?

<u>Q2. 2nd choice</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Botanical gardens	42	10.3 %
C-24 Canal Park	6	1.5 %
Charles E. Ray Park	2	0.5 %
Community Center	13	3.2 %
Event Center-Recreation & Fitness	11	2.7 %
Fred Cook Park	1	0.2 %
Girl Scout Friendship Park	3	0.7 %
Harborview Park	2	0.5 %
Ian T. Zook Park	1	0.2 %
Jaycee Park	6	1.5 %
Jessica Clinton Park	31	7.6 %
Kiwanis Park	2	0.5 %
Lyngate Park & Dog Park	16	3.9 %
McCarty Ranch Preserve	5	1.2 %
McChesney Park	16	3.9 %
Minsky Gym	3	0.7 %
O.L. Peacock Sr. Park/Lake	3	0.7 %
Oak Hammock	7	1.7 %
Pioneer Park at The Port	25	6.2 %
Port St. Lucie Elks Lodge/Friendship Park	3	0.7 %
Riverland Paseo Park	3	0.7 %
River Place Park	4	1.0 %
Rotary Park	2	0.5 %
Saints at Port St. Lucie Golf Course	10	2.5 %
Sandhill Crane Park	4	1.0 %
Sandpiper Bay Park	2	0.5 %
Sportsman's Park	15	3.7 %
Swan Park	6	1.5 %
Turtle Run Park	4	1.0 %
U.S. Submarine Veterans Park	3	0.7 %
Veterans Memorial Park	16	3.9 %
Veterans Park at Rivergate	11	2.7 %
Whispering Pines Park	20	4.9 %
Whitmore Park	2	0.5 %
Winterlakes Park	9	2.2 %
Woodland Trails Neighborhood Park	14	3.4 %
Woodstork Trail	5	1.2 %
None chosen	78	19.2 %
Total	406	100.0 %

SUM OF TOP 2 CHOICES**Q2. Which TWO of the parks from the list in Question 1 does your household use MOST OFTEN? (top 2)**

Q2. Top choice	Number	Percent
Botanical gardens	114	28.1 %
C-24 Canal Park	14	3.4 %
Charles E. Ray Park	4	1.0 %
Community Center	23	5.7 %
Doat Street Park	1	0.2 %
Event Center-Recreation & Fitness	19	4.7 %
Fred Cook Park	2	0.5 %
Girl Scout Friendship Park	9	2.2 %
Harborview Park	2	0.5 %
Ian T. Zook Park	1	0.2 %
Jaycee Park	12	3.0 %
Jessica Clinton Park	62	15.3 %
Kiwanis Park	5	1.2 %
Lyngate Park & Dog Park	33	8.1 %
Mariposa Cane Slough Preserve	2	0.5 %
McCarty Ranch Preserve	10	2.5 %
McChesney Park	24	5.9 %
Minsky Gym	7	1.7 %
O.L. Peacock Sr. Park/Lake	7	1.7 %
Oak Hammock	17	4.2 %
Pioneer Park at The Port	40	9.9 %
Port St. Lucie Elks Lodge/Friendship Park	5	1.2 %
Ravenswood Racquetball Club	1	0.2 %
Riverland Paseo Park	15	3.7 %
River Place Park	9	2.2 %
Rotary Park	7	1.7 %
Saints at Port St. Lucie Golf Course	19	4.7 %
Sandhill Crane Park	4	1.0 %
Sandpiper Bay Park	4	1.0 %
Sportsman's Park	26	6.4 %
Sportsman's Park West	1	0.2 %
Swan Park	14	3.4 %
Turtle Run Park	9	2.2 %
U.S. Submarine Veterans Park	7	1.7 %
Veterans Memorial Park	20	4.9 %
Veterans Park at Rivergate	20	4.9 %
Whispering Pines Park	56	13.8 %
Whitmore Park	3	0.7 %
Wilderness Park	1	0.2 %
Winterlakes Park	21	5.2 %
Woodland Trails Neighborhood Park	27	6.7 %
Woodstork Trail	8	2.0 %
None chosen	49	12.1 %
Total	734	

Q3. On average, how often do you or members of your household visit parks operated by the PSLPRD?

Q3. How often do your household members visit parks
operated by PSLPRD

	Number	Percent
Almost daily	41	10.1 %
At least once per week	110	27.1 %
A few times per month	103	25.4 %
A few times per year	105	25.9 %
Seldom or never	41	10.1 %
Not provided	6	1.5 %
Total	406	100.0 %

WITHOUT NOT PROVIDED**Q3. On average, how often do you or members of your household visit parks operated by the PSLPRD?
(without "not provided")**

Q3. How often do your household members visit parks
operated by PSLPRD

	Number	Percent
Almost daily	41	10.3 %
At least once per week	110	27.5 %
A few times per month	103	25.8 %
A few times per year	105	26.3 %
Seldom or never	41	10.3 %
Total	400	100.0 %

Q4. Overall, how satisfied are you with the parks provided by the PSLPRD?

Q4. How satisfied are you with the parks provided by
PSLPRD

	Number	Percent
Very satisfied	104	25.6 %
Satisfied	179	44.1 %
Neutral	75	18.5 %
Dissatisfied	17	4.2 %
Very dissatisfied	10	2.5 %
Don't know	21	5.2 %
Total	406	100.0 %

WITHOUT DON'T KNOW**Q4. Overall, how satisfied are you with the parks provided by the PSLPRD? (without "don't know")**

Q4. How satisfied are you with the parks provided by
PSLPRD

	Number	Percent
Very satisfied	104	27.0 %
Satisfied	179	46.5 %
Neutral	75	19.5 %
Dissatisfied	17	4.4 %
Very dissatisfied	10	2.6 %
Total	385	100.0 %

Q5. How important is it for you and members of your household to have a small park within walking distance of your home?

Q5. How important is it for your household members to have a small park within walking distance of your home	Number	Percent
Very important	228	56.2 %
Somewhat important	104	25.6 %
Not important	62	15.3 %
Not sure	12	3.0 %
Total	406	100.0 %

WITHOUT NOT SURE

Q5. How important is it for you and members of your household to have a small park within walking distance of your home? (without "not sure")

Q5. How important is it for your household members to have a small park within walking distance of your home	Number	Percent
Very important	228	57.9 %
Somewhat important	104	26.4 %
Not important	62	15.7 %
Total	394	100.0 %

Q6. What is your primary source of information for PSLPRD-related events and programs?

Q6. Your primary source of information for PSLPRD-related events & programs	Number	Percent
PSLPRD's Leisure Time brochure	11	2.7 %
City of PSL website	102	25.1 %
City of PSL Facebook page	157	38.7 %
Information from schools	3	0.7 %
Flyers	10	2.5 %
Word of mouth	61	15.0 %
Other	36	8.9 %
Not provided	26	6.4 %
Total	406	100.0 %

WITHOUT NOT PROVIDED

Q6. What is your primary source of information for PSLPRD-related events and programs? (without "not provided")

Q6. Your primary source of information for PSLPRD-related events & programs	Number	Percent
PSLPRD's Leisure Time brochure	11	2.9 %
City of PSL website	102	26.8 %
City of PSL Facebook page	157	41.3 %
Information from schools	3	0.8 %
Flyers	10	2.6 %
Word of mouth	61	16.1 %
Other	36	9.5 %
Total	380	100.0 %

Q6-8. Other:

<u>Q6-8. Other</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Google	3	8.3 %
Instagram	3	8.3 %
Nextdoor	2	5.6 %
Facebook	2	5.6 %
DIFFERENT FACEBOOK GROUP POST	1	2.8 %
City manager reports	1	2.8 %
Signage	1	2.8 %
LOCAL NEWS	1	2.8 %
Board corner of lennard and mariposa	1	2.8 %
Crosstown billboard	1	2.8 %
Newspaper and channel 12	1	2.8 %
St Lucie Voice	1	2.8 %
Internet	1	2.8 %
Local paper	1	2.8 %
The signs up by the parks	1	2.8 %
Nextdoor or events on internet search	1	2.8 %
The billboard of events on psl blvd	1	2.8 %
POSTINGS AROUND TOWN	1	2.8 %
Social media	1	2.8 %
Email	1	2.8 %
City website	1	2.8 %
Signs	1	2.8 %
Text	1	2.8 %
Post office	1	2.8 %
Library information board	1	2.8 %
Billboard	1	2.8 %
News articles and Google research	1	2.8 %
Banners	1	2.8 %
Google Maps search	1	2.8 %
<u>Billboards posted along psl blvd</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2.8 %</u>
Total	36	100.0 %

Q7. Please CHECK ALL of the following programs offered in the City of Port St. Lucie that you or members of your household have participated in during the past FIVE years.

Q7. All the programs your household members have participated in during past five years	Number	Percent
PSLPRD's youth baseball leagues	34	8.4 %
PSLPRD's youth football and/or cheerleading leagues	15	3.7 %
PSLPRD's youth soccer leagues	40	9.9 %
PSLPRD's youth & adult tennis instruction	4	1.0 %
PSLPRD's youth junior basketball league	13	3.2 %
PSLPRD's adult softball league	4	1.0 %
PSLPRD's senior softball league	1	0.2 %
PSLPRD's summer, spring, kids' day out & holiday camps	14	3.4 %
PSLPRD's adult volleyball	5	1.2 %
PSLPRD's adult pickleball	33	8.1 %
PSLPRD's fitness centers and/or fitness classes	63	15.5 %
PSLPRD's golf member	22	5.4 %
PSLPRD's golf instruction or leagues	11	2.7 %
PSLPRD's recreation programs, e.g. Karate, baton, dance classes (Country Line & Zumba), Glow Pickleball, Rock Steady Boxing, PWR	27	6.7 %
PSLPRD's Senior Programs, e.g. Mah Jongg, senior social, social bridge, senior dance	13	3.2 %
PSLPRD's martial arts programs, e.g. Karate, Judo Academy, Kung Fu, & Tai Chi	15	3.7 %
PSLPRD's youth recreation programs, e.g. parent tot time, toddler drop-off, Wild Wacky Wednesday, Learn 2 Sports, basketball mini camps, volleyball mini camps, Music & Motion, Great Kids, wrestling, football camp, 3D printing, homeschool PE, Esports & Geocaching	25	6.2 %
Total	339	

Q8. Overall, how satisfied are you with programs offered by the PSLPRD?

Q8. How satisfied are you with programs offered by PSLPRD	Number	Percent
Very satisfied	41	10.1 %
Satisfied	97	23.9 %
Neutral	104	25.6 %
Dissatisfied	16	3.9 %
Very dissatisfied	10	2.5 %
Don't know	138	34.0 %
Total	406	100.0 %

WITHOUT DON'T KNOW

Q8. Overall, how satisfied are you with programs offered by the PSLPRD? (without "don't know")

Q8. How satisfied are you with programs offered by PSLPRD	Number	Percent
Very satisfied	41	15.3 %
Satisfied	97	36.2 %
Neutral	104	38.8 %
Dissatisfied	16	6.0 %
Very dissatisfied	10	3.7 %
Total	268	100.0 %

Q9. Please CHECK ALL of the following organizations you or members of your household have used for recreation programs and facilities.

Q9. Organizations your household members have used
for recreation programs & facilities

	Number	Percent
St. Lucie County	206	50.7 %
Private clubs/fitness centers	147	36.2 %
Local schools/colleges/universities	81	20.0 %
Churches or other religious organizations	95	23.4 %
Non-profit organizations	65	16.0 %
Other	23	5.7 %
None of these	84	20.7 %
Total	701	

WITHOUT NONE OF THESE

Q9. Please CHECK ALL of the following organizations you or members of your household have used for recreation programs and facilities. (without "none of these")

Q9. Organizations your household members have used
for recreation programs & facilities

	Number	Percent
St. Lucie County	206	64.0 %
Private clubs/fitness centers	147	45.7 %
Churches or other religious organizations	95	29.5 %
Local schools/colleges/universities	81	25.2 %
Non-profit organizations	65	20.2 %
Other	23	7.1 %
Total	617	

Q9-6. Other:

Q9-6. Other	Number	Percent
State and National Park facilities	1	4.8 %
Pineapple park in jensen close and covered	1	4.8 %
YMCA	1	4.8 %
Special needs opportunities	1	4.8 %
HOA	1	4.8 %
Gyms, parks	1	4.8 %
Development amenities	1	4.8 %
Youth volleyball	1	4.8 %
Saints Golf Course	1	4.8 %
All County Men's Baseball League	1	4.8 %
Private soccer program	1	4.8 %
Public tennis courts	1	4.8 %
Humana	1	4.8 %
Community 55 plus	1	4.8 %
Martin County	1	4.8 %
Walking/biking on Veterans Memorial Parkway sidewalk for daily exercise	1	4.8 %
Martin County soccer	1	4.8 %
Libraries	1	4.8 %
Craft or trade shows	1	4.8 %
Neighborhood activities	1	4.8 %
Del webb tradition	1	4.8 %
Total	21	100.0 %

Q10. Please CHECK ALL of the following facilities you or members of your household currently utilize.

Q10. All the facilities your household members currently utilize

	Number	Percent
Treasure Coast of YMCA	11	2.7 %
Boys & Girls Clubs of St. Lucie County	13	3.2 %
L.A. Fitness	57	14.0 %
Anytime Fitness	9	2.2 %
Planet Fitness	81	20.0 %
Total	171	

Q11. Please CHECK ALL of the following factors that prevent you or your household from using PLSRPD Parks and Recreation programs more frequently.

Q11. All the factors that prevent your household members from using PLSRPD programs more frequently

	Number	Percent
Program or facility not offered	64	15.8 %
Lack of quality programs	41	10.1 %
Program times/facility hours not convenient	72	17.7 %
Use of non-PLSRPD facilities	18	4.4 %
Not interested/too busy	60	14.8 %
Don't know what is offered/available	150	36.9 %
Insufficient staffing	11	2.7 %
Poor customer service	4	1.0 %
Fees are too high	34	8.4 %
Lack of transportation	11	2.7 %
Other	48	11.8 %
Nothing	117	28.8 %
Total	630	

Q11-11. Other

- 2 of my daughters are wheelchair bound quadraplegic and it is difficult to find anywhere for them. The botanical gardens is great for walking through but we need wheelchair swings and more accessible activities for our children
- beach activities
- Cannot utilize batting cages at a single St. Lucie park!? What is real life!?
- Convenience
- Distance from home
- Distance, facility that a program is located at is farther than I expected. Some programs or events are not offered at multiple facilities.
- Handicapped-in wheelchair
- health
- I did not know where the fitness center is
- I used to be able to go to your fitness centers all the time and had an awesome personal trainer there then Covid and your hours changed the Community Fitness center is by my house I can walk to it but I work a 9 to 5 job and work till 6pm on Fridays your facilities are not open late enough and you even shortened hours at the Humana Fitness one too please revise your hours so people who work and who go to church on Sunday can actually use your facilities and not have to rush through, a workout on the weekend
- It would be nice if Leisure Time brochure is mailed out
- Lack of bike lanes or sidewalks to reach via Bike, often having to jump on the road and share it with cars. That would be our biggest concern for interacting more frequently.

- Lack of variety in programs and events, especially things geared towards teens. Martin county holds teen activities, crafts, and events regularly but only for Martin county students. Our teen students don't have much geared for them in PSL.
- Limited mobility
- Limited mobility
- Location
- Medical limitations
- My daughter is autistic and I've found that most programs are lacking in inclusion. Would be nice to have some more activities for young autistic children or family events that are more inclusive for all.
- My neighborhood has a great views for walking and we have a walking trail that we utilize daily.
- Need art classes for adults-various day and evening for those who work
- new pool needed
- New to area
- No sidewalk along Cambridge Drive, and no sidewalk at all for a big neighborhood directly north of Cambridge Drive, which prevents a lot of people from SAFELY walking to streets with sidewalks and parks facilities, including Saints golf course.
- Not enough dog parks that are close
- Not enough lighted pickleball courts in the city. Minsk gets packed and nobody wants to share the courts so you never get to play. When the leagues take up 6 courts and don't allow you to play before they use the courts or don't even do league that night the "members" still don't allow you to use the courts. My tax dollars went to pay for those courts so why can't I use them? We need more lighted courts throughout the city.
- Not interested in the programs offered.
- Not many parks used just for walking. Too many used for sporting. We need more for elderly to get out and relax.
- Not variety of sports /camps for under 6yr old
- Our neighborhood offers everything we need
- Park close at sunset so by the time I get off from work the park is closed and there is no light in the park.
- Parking at Riverland Paseo is the WORST! Who designed this?
- Physical challenges
- programs fill up
- Quality special needs programs or inclusive programs
- restrooms are out of service for a month now
- There are few things offered that are not pay organized sports teams. Too many organized sports programs that prevent other citizens from using facilities for neighborhood informal play (i.e. sportsman park always reserved even when empty) Too many programs for kids ignoring teens and older residents
- there's no park in walking distance
- Too crowded
- Too crowded
- too far
- Too far of a drive to exercise at community center gym. Would love a closer option to Tradition area/west.
- Too hot in the summer
- Too much crime
- We boat and kayak and mountain bike ride
- Weather and age (senior).
- website is not user friendly
- Website, not user-friendly

Q12. Please rate your level of agreement with the following statements using a scale of 1 to 4, where 4 means "Strongly Agree" and 1 means "Strongly Disagree."

(N=406)

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
Q12-1. PSL Parks enhance the quality of life for residents in the community	53.7%	34.7%	3.9%	1.0%	6.7%
Q12-2. PSL Parks increase property values in the community	43.8%	35.2%	5.7%	0.7%	14.5%
Q12-3. It is important to connect parks & public green spaces through a system of trails & pathways	57.1%	29.3%	4.7%	0.5%	8.4%

WITHOUT DON'T KNOW

Q12. Please rate your level of agreement with the following statements using a scale of 1 to 4, where 4 means "Strongly Agree" and 1 means "Strongly Disagree." (without "don't know")

(N=406)

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Q12-1. PSL Parks enhance the quality of life for residents in the community	57.5%	37.2%	4.2%	1.1%
Q12-2. PSL Parks increase property values in the community	51.3%	41.2%	6.6%	0.9%
Q12-3. It is important to connect parks & public green spaces through a system of trails & pathways	62.4%	32.0%	5.1%	0.5%

Q13. From the following list of Parks and Recreation programs, please indicate whether you or any members of your household have a need for this program.

(N=406)

	Yes	No
Q13-1. Before & after school programs	14.5%	85.5%
Q13-2. Youth summer camps	16.3%	83.7%
Q13-3. Youth sports programs	21.9%	78.1%
Q13-4. Youth fitness & wellness programs	17.2%	82.8%
Q13-5. Martial arts programs	12.3%	87.7%
Q13-6. Adult fitness/wellness	56.7%	43.3%
Q13-7. Youth art/dance/performing arts classes	17.7%	82.3%
Q13-8. Adult sports programs	25.6%	74.4%
Q13-9. Senior programs	33.5%	66.5%
Q13-10. Programs for mentally/physically challenged	10.3%	89.7%
Q13-11. Teens programs	17.2%	82.8%
Q13-12. Nature programs	48.8%	51.2%
Q13-13. Circuit exercise programs	20.4%	79.6%
Q13-14. Other	8.6%	91.4%

Q13. If "Yes," please indicate how well your needs are being met using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "100% met" and 1 means "0% met."

(N=345)

	100% met	75% met	50% met	25% met	0% met	Not provided
Q13-1. Before & after school programs	13.6%	16.9%	15.3%	8.5%	20.3%	25.4%
Q13-2. Youth summer camps	13.6%	10.6%	15.2%	7.6%	24.2%	28.8%
Q13-3. Youth sports programs	16.9%	14.6%	20.2%	11.2%	14.6%	22.5%
Q13-4. Youth fitness & wellness programs	8.6%	11.4%	14.3%	15.7%	24.3%	25.7%
Q13-5. Martial arts programs	12.0%	4.0%	12.0%	4.0%	34.0%	34.0%
Q13-6. Adult fitness/ wellness	9.1%	19.1%	19.1%	12.6%	14.3%	25.7%
Q13-7. Youth art/dance/ performing arts classes	5.6%	5.6%	16.7%	6.9%	30.6%	34.7%
Q13-8. Adult sports programs	4.8%	13.5%	16.3%	13.5%	22.1%	29.8%
Q13-9. Senior programs	8.8%	16.9%	22.8%	10.3%	13.2%	27.9%
Q13-10. Programs for mentally/physically challenged	7.1%	14.3%	9.5%	11.9%	28.6%	28.6%
Q13-11. Teens programs	2.9%	10.0%	14.3%	18.6%	30.0%	24.3%
Q13-12. Nature programs	7.6%	19.2%	20.2%	16.7%	11.1%	25.3%
Q13-13. Circuit exercise programs	7.2%	9.6%	26.5%	13.3%	19.3%	24.1%
Q13-14. Other	8.6%	11.4%	14.3%	11.4%	42.9%	11.4%

WITHOUT NOT PROVIDED

Q13. If "Yes," please indicate how well your needs are being met using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "100% met" and 1 means "0% met." (without "not provided")

(N=345)

	100% met	75% met	50% met	25% met	0% met
Q13-1. Before & after school programs	18.2%	22.7%	20.5%	11.4%	27.3%
Q13-2. Youth summer camps	19.1%	14.9%	21.3%	10.6%	34.0%
Q13-3. Youth sports programs	21.7%	18.8%	26.1%	14.5%	18.8%
Q13-4. Youth fitness & wellness programs	11.5%	15.4%	19.2%	21.2%	32.7%
Q13-5. Martial arts programs	18.2%	6.1%	18.2%	6.1%	51.5%
Q13-6. Adult fitness/wellness	12.3%	25.7%	25.7%	17.0%	19.3%
Q13-7. Youth art/dance/performing arts classes	8.5%	8.5%	25.5%	10.6%	46.8%
Q13-8. Adult sports programs	6.8%	19.2%	23.3%	19.2%	31.5%
Q13-9. Senior programs	12.2%	23.5%	31.6%	14.3%	18.4%
Q13-10. Programs for mentally/physically challenged	10.0%	20.0%	13.3%	16.7%	40.0%
Q13-11. Teens programs	3.8%	13.2%	18.9%	24.5%	39.6%
Q13-12. Nature programs	10.1%	25.7%	27.0%	22.3%	14.9%
Q13-13. Circuit exercise programs	9.5%	12.7%	34.9%	17.5%	25.4%
Q13-14. Other	9.7%	12.9%	16.1%	12.9%	48.4%

Q13-14. Other

- Adult art classes
- Adult dancing classes/lessons
- adult evening classes, continuing education
- Adult men's soccer
- Affordable Art classes for adults as well as children and teens.
- Art, stained glass, pottery, culinary, archery, anything & everything nature, candle making, sage sticks, painting, photography, yoga, chair fitness, whittlings, Lego, stem, robotics, for teens & adults. Not all things for little ones
- Art. We need an art center the likes of which other fine cities in Florida have. PSL is a cultural desert. No art programs and no theatre to rival other cities. PSL is severely lacking culture and art.
- bike paths
- bike trail to Green river
- Cultural programs
- cycling events
- Dog park

- Fishing
- free classes
- Golf courses
- HIKING/BIKING TRAILS
- Homeschool programs. There is a very, very large homeschool population in SLC.
- I wish there were splash parks, not just water fountains
- In need of transport to and from these programs
- Indoor and outdoor swimming for families, not just for the fitness centers please
- More disc golf courses. Rotary is fun, but small. Not ideal to host tournaments events. McCarty is to remote and lacking in amenities.
- Need to have more public tennis courts and public golf courses
- neighborhood parks
- Outdoor art, craft fairs and local markets
- Pickleball courts
- Pickleball courts
- preschool programs
- Sidewalks in residential neighborhoods please. Walking down the street is dangerous.
- Social dancing and music. Latin dancing (salsa, merengue, bachata) and ballroom dancing.
- Swimming lessons all year round
- Toddler weekend mommy and me classes
- walking
- weight lifting for seniors/pickleball classes
- yoga

Q14. Which FOUR of the programs from the list in Question 13 are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q14. Top choice	Number	Percent
Before & after school programs	17	4.2 %
Youth summer camps	17	4.2 %
Youth sports programs	37	9.1 %
Youth fitness & wellness programs	6	1.5 %
Martial arts programs	3	0.7 %
Adult fitness/wellness	94	23.2 %
Youth art/dance/performing arts classes	7	1.7 %
Adult sports programs	16	3.9 %
Senior programs	44	10.8 %
Programs for mentally/physically challenged	9	2.2 %
Teens programs	11	2.7 %
Nature programs	65	16.0 %
Circuit exercise programs	2	0.5 %
None chosen	78	19.2 %
Total	406	100.0 %

Q14. Which FOUR of the programs from the list in Question 13 are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q14. 2nd choice	Number	Percent
Before & after school programs	14	3.4 %
Youth summer camps	18	4.4 %
Youth sports programs	17	4.2 %
Youth fitness & wellness programs	12	3.0 %
Martial arts programs	11	2.7 %
Adult fitness/wellness	49	12.1 %
Youth art/dance/performing arts classes	10	2.5 %
Adult sports programs	44	10.8 %
Senior programs	38	9.4 %
Programs for mentally/physically challenged	4	1.0 %
Teens programs	15	3.7 %
Nature programs	47	11.6 %
Circuit exercise programs	12	3.0 %
None chosen	115	28.3 %
Total	406	100.0 %

Q14. Which FOUR of the programs from the list in Question 13 are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q14. 3rd choice	Number	Percent
Before & after school programs	5	1.2 %
Youth summer camps	9	2.2 %
Youth sports programs	16	3.9 %
Youth fitness & wellness programs	14	3.4 %
Martial arts programs	6	1.5 %
Adult fitness/wellness	28	6.9 %
Youth art/dance/performing arts classes	12	3.0 %
Adult sports programs	22	5.4 %
Senior programs	25	6.2 %
Programs for mentally/physically challenged	12	3.0 %
Teens programs	12	3.0 %
Nature programs	38	9.4 %
Circuit exercise programs	17	4.2 %
None chosen	190	46.8 %
Total	406	100.0 %

Q14. Which FOUR of the programs from the list in Question 13 are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q14. 4th choice	Number	Percent
Before & after school programs	7	1.7 %
Youth summer camps	10	2.5 %
Youth sports programs	11	2.7 %
Youth fitness & wellness programs	12	3.0 %
Martial arts programs	4	1.0 %
Adult fitness/wellness	18	4.4 %
Youth art/dance/performing arts classes	14	3.4 %
Adult sports programs	3	0.7 %
Senior programs	6	1.5 %
Programs for mentally/physically challenged	9	2.2 %
Teens programs	10	2.5 %
Nature programs	25	6.2 %
Circuit exercise programs	17	4.2 %
None chosen	260	64.0 %
Total	406	100.0 %

SUM OF TOP 4 CHOICES

Q14. Which FOUR of the programs from the list in Question 13 are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household? (top 4)

Q14. Top choice	Number	Percent
Before & after school programs	43	10.6 %
Youth summer camps	54	13.3 %
Youth sports programs	81	20.0 %
Youth fitness & wellness programs	44	10.8 %
Martial arts programs	24	5.9 %
Adult fitness/wellness	189	46.6 %
Youth art/dance/performing arts classes	43	10.6 %
Adult sports programs	85	20.9 %
Senior programs	113	27.8 %
Programs for mentally/physically challenged	34	8.4 %
Teens programs	48	11.8 %
Nature programs	175	43.1 %
Circuit exercise programs	48	11.8 %
None chosen	78	19.2 %
Total	1059	

Q15. Which FOUR of the programs from the list in Question 13 would you and members of your household USE MOST if they were developed by PSLPRD?

Q15. Top choice	Number	Percent
Before & after school programs	15	3.7 %
Youth summer camps	10	2.5 %
Youth sports programs	28	6.9 %
Youth fitness & wellness programs	11	2.7 %
Martial arts programs	6	1.5 %
Adult fitness/wellness	77	19.0 %
Youth art/dance/performing arts classes	9	2.2 %
Adult sports programs	14	3.4 %
Senior programs	34	8.4 %
Programs for mentally/physically challenged	8	2.0 %
Teens programs	10	2.5 %
Nature programs	75	18.5 %
Circuit exercise programs	4	1.0 %
None chosen	105	25.9 %
Total	406	100.0 %

Q15. Which FOUR of the programs from the list in Question 13 would you and members of your household USE MOST if they were developed by PSLPRD?

Q15. 2nd choice	Number	Percent
Before & after school programs	8	2.0 %
Youth summer camps	13	3.2 %
Youth sports programs	17	4.2 %
Youth fitness & wellness programs	15	3.7 %
Martial arts programs	8	2.0 %
Adult fitness/wellness	34	8.4 %
Youth art/dance/performing arts classes	16	3.9 %
Adult sports programs	29	7.1 %
Senior programs	44	10.8 %
Programs for mentally/physically challenged	2	0.5 %
Teens programs	10	2.5 %
Nature programs	35	8.6 %
Circuit exercise programs	16	3.9 %
None chosen	159	39.2 %
Total	406	100.0 %

Q15. Which FOUR of the programs from the list in Question 13 would you and members of your household USE MOST if they were developed by PSLPRD?

Q15. 3rd choice	Number	Percent
Before & after school programs	3	0.7 %
Youth summer camps	12	3.0 %
Youth sports programs	15	3.7 %
Youth fitness & wellness programs	13	3.2 %
Martial arts programs	6	1.5 %
Adult fitness/wellness	39	9.6 %
Youth art/dance/performing arts classes	9	2.2 %
Adult sports programs	18	4.4 %
Senior programs	11	2.7 %
Programs for mentally/physically challenged	5	1.2 %
Teens programs	11	2.7 %
Nature programs	29	7.1 %
Circuit exercise programs	17	4.2 %
None chosen	218	53.7 %
Total	406	100.0 %

Q15. Which FOUR of the programs from the list in Question 13 would you and members of your household USE MOST if they were developed by PSLPRD?

Q15. 4th choice	Number	Percent
Before & after school programs	8	2.0 %
Youth summer camps	9	2.2 %
Youth sports programs	8	2.0 %
Youth fitness & wellness programs	9	2.2 %
Martial arts programs	6	1.5 %
Adult fitness/wellness	15	3.7 %
Youth art/dance/performing arts classes	9	2.2 %
Adult sports programs	10	2.5 %
Senior programs	11	2.7 %
Programs for mentally/physically challenged	5	1.2 %
Teens programs	11	2.7 %
Nature programs	18	4.4 %
Circuit exercise programs	11	2.7 %
None chosen	276	68.0 %
Total	406	100.0 %

SUM OF TOP 4 CHOICES

Q15. Which FOUR of the programs from the list in Question 13 would you and members of your household USE MOST if they were developed by PSLPRD? (top 4)

<u>Q15. Top choice</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Before & after school programs	34	8.4 %
Youth summer camps	44	10.8 %
Youth sports programs	68	16.7 %
Youth fitness & wellness programs	48	11.8 %
Martial arts programs	26	6.4 %
Adult fitness/wellness	165	40.6 %
Youth art/dance/performing arts classes	43	10.6 %
Adult sports programs	71	17.5 %
Senior programs	100	24.6 %
Programs for mentally/physically challenged	20	4.9 %
Teens programs	42	10.3 %
Nature programs	157	38.7 %
Circuit exercise programs	48	11.8 %
None chosen	105	25.9 %
Total	971	

Q16. From the following list of Parks and Recreation facilities, please indicate whether you or any members of your household have a need for this facility.

(N=406)

	Yes	No
Q16-1. Baseball/softball fields	11.3%	88.7%
Q16-2. Dog parks	28.8%	71.2%
Q16-3. Walking & hiking trails	67.7%	32.3%
Q16-4. Paved bike trails	47.8%	52.2%
Q16-5. Natural areas/nature parks	61.8%	38.2%
Q16-6. Spraygrounds/splash pads	24.6%	75.4%
Q16-7. Indoor gymnasium/game courts	22.7%	77.3%
Q16-8. Children's indoor play area	19.2%	80.8%
Q16-9. Children's playgrounds	22.4%	77.6%
Q16-10. Picnic shelters/picnic areas	33.3%	66.7%
Q16-11. Skateboarding area	12.3%	87.7%
Q16-12. Disc golf course	10.6%	89.4%
Q16-13. Outdoor pool/aquatics	26.1%	73.9%
Q16-14. Pickleball courts	17.2%	82.8%
Q16-15. Community garden	32.5%	67.5%
Q16-16. Community recreation center	27.6%	72.4%
Q16-17. Outdoor stage/amphitheater	32.0%	68.0%
Q16-18. Tennis courts	11.6%	88.4%
Q16-19. Outdoor basketball courts	12.6%	87.4%
Q16-20. Rental for banquets/reception/private parties	15.8%	84.2%
Q16-21. Football fields	7.1%	92.9%
Q16-22. Soccer fields	12.1%	87.9%
Q16-23. Volleyball courts	9.6%	90.4%

Q16. From the following list of Parks and Recreation facilities, please indicate whether you or any members of your household have a need for this facility.

	Yes	No
Q16-24. Multi-purpose fields	17.2%	82.8%
Q16-25. Outdoor exercise stations	20.7%	79.3%
Q16-26. Indoor pool	24.9%	75.1%
Q16-27. Senior center	24.1%	75.9%
Q16-28. Golf course	13.5%	86.5%
Q16-29. Fitness center/spa	32.3%	67.7%
Q16-30. Other	6.2%	93.8%

Q16. If "Yes," please indicate how well your needs are being met using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "100% met" and 1 means "0% met."

(N=384)

	100% met	75% met	50% met	25% met	0% met	Not provided
Q16-1. Baseball/softball fields	28.3%	17.4%	21.7%	4.3%	8.7%	19.6%
Q16-2. Dog parks	21.4%	15.4%	23.9%	16.2%	8.5%	14.5%
Q16-3. Walking & hiking trails	12.7%	19.3%	24.4%	21.5%	8.0%	14.2%
Q16-4. Paved bike trails	7.2%	9.3%	23.7%	22.7%	22.7%	14.4%
Q16-5. Natural areas/nature parks	16.3%	21.5%	25.1%	20.7%	3.6%	12.7%
Q16-6. Spraygrounds/splash pads	3.0%	13.0%	24.0%	38.0%	12.0%	10.0%
Q16-7. Indoor gymnasium/game courts	9.8%	14.1%	22.8%	20.7%	19.6%	13.0%
Q16-8. Children's indoor play area	5.1%	3.8%	7.7%	17.9%	53.8%	11.5%
Q16-9. Children's playgrounds	18.7%	24.2%	29.7%	9.9%	3.3%	14.3%
Q16-10. Picnic shelters/picnic areas	11.9%	21.5%	23.7%	16.3%	7.4%	19.3%
Q16-11. Skateboarding area	6.0%	2.0%	6.0%	14.0%	56.0%	16.0%
Q16-12. Disc golf course	2.3%	7.0%	20.9%	27.9%	20.9%	20.9%
Q16-13. Outdoor pool/aquatics	1.9%	3.8%	15.1%	34.9%	32.1%	12.3%
Q16-14. Pickleball courts	10.0%	18.6%	20.0%	24.3%	14.3%	12.9%
Q16-15. Community garden	9.1%	7.6%	15.2%	15.2%	34.1%	18.9%
Q16-16. Community recreation center	11.6%	14.3%	21.4%	9.8%	17.9%	25.0%
Q16-17. Outdoor stage/amphitheater	8.5%	10.0%	12.3%	23.8%	27.7%	17.7%

Q16. If "Yes," please indicate how well your needs are being met using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "100% met" and 1 means "0% met."

	100% met	75% met	50% met	25% met	0% met	Not provided
Q16-18. Tennis courts	23.4%	12.8%	23.4%	12.8%	6.4%	21.3%
Q16-19. Outdoor basketball courts	13.7%	15.7%	29.4%	15.7%	13.7%	11.8%
Q16-20. Rental for banquets/reception/private parties	7.8%	7.8%	21.9%	21.9%	17.2%	23.4%
Q16-21. Football fields	13.8%	10.3%	24.1%	24.1%	6.9%	20.7%
Q16-22. Soccer fields	16.3%	12.2%	20.4%	28.6%	6.1%	16.3%
Q16-23. Volleyball courts	5.1%	0.0%	28.2%	33.3%	15.4%	17.9%
Q16-24. Multi-purpose fields	5.7%	15.7%	27.1%	21.4%	10.0%	20.0%
Q16-25. Outdoor exercise stations	11.9%	14.3%	21.4%	21.4%	9.5%	21.4%
Q16-26. Indoor pool	4.0%	1.0%	8.9%	12.9%	55.4%	17.8%
Q16-27. Senior center	9.2%	10.2%	21.4%	17.3%	15.3%	26.5%
Q16-28. Golf course	27.3%	12.7%	18.2%	12.7%	5.5%	23.6%
Q16-29. Fitness center/spa	7.6%	10.7%	20.6%	15.3%	26.0%	19.8%
Q16-30. Other	8.0%	0.0%	4.0%	16.0%	64.0%	8.0%

WITHOUT NOT PROVIDED

Q16. If "Yes," please indicate how well your needs are being met using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "100% met" and 1 means "0% met." (without "not provided")

(N=384)

	100% met	75% met	50% met	25% met	0% met
Q16-1. Baseball/softball fields	35.1%	21.6%	27.0%	5.4%	10.8%
Q16-2. Dog parks	25.0%	18.0%	28.0%	19.0%	10.0%
Q16-3. Walking & hiking trails	14.8%	22.5%	28.4%	25.0%	9.3%
Q16-4. Paved bike trails	8.4%	10.8%	27.7%	26.5%	26.5%
Q16-5. Natural areas/nature parks	18.7%	24.7%	28.8%	23.7%	4.1%
Q16-6. Spraygrounds/splash pads	3.3%	14.4%	26.7%	42.2%	13.3%
Q16-7. Indoor gymnasium/game courts	11.3%	16.3%	26.3%	23.8%	22.5%
Q16-8. Children's indoor play area	5.8%	4.3%	8.7%	20.3%	60.9%
Q16-9. Children's playgrounds	21.8%	28.2%	34.6%	11.5%	3.8%
Q16-10. Picnic shelters/picnic areas	14.7%	26.6%	29.4%	20.2%	9.2%
Q16-11. Skateboarding area	7.1%	2.4%	7.1%	16.7%	66.7%
Q16-12. Disc golf course	2.9%	8.8%	26.5%	35.3%	26.5%
Q16-13. Outdoor pool/aquatics	2.2%	4.3%	17.2%	39.8%	36.6%
Q16-14. Pickleball courts	11.5%	21.3%	23.0%	27.9%	16.4%
Q16-15. Community garden	11.2%	9.3%	18.7%	18.7%	42.1%
Q16-16. Community recreation center	15.5%	19.0%	28.6%	13.1%	23.8%
Q16-17. Outdoor stage/amphitheater	10.3%	12.1%	15.0%	29.0%	33.6%
Q16-18. Tennis courts	29.7%	16.2%	29.7%	16.2%	8.1%
Q16-19. Outdoor basketball courts	15.6%	17.8%	33.3%	17.8%	15.6%
Q16-20. Rental for banquets/reception/ private parties	10.2%	10.2%	28.6%	28.6%	22.4%
Q16-21. Football fields	17.4%	13.0%	30.4%	30.4%	8.7%
Q16-22. Soccer fields	19.5%	14.6%	24.4%	34.1%	7.3%
Q16-23. Volleyball courts	6.3%	0.0%	34.4%	40.6%	18.8%

WITHOUT NOT PROVIDED

Q16. If "Yes," please indicate how well your needs are being met using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "100% met" and 1 means "0% met." (without "not provided")

	100% met	75% met	50% met	25% met	0% met
Q16-24. Multi-purpose fields	7.1%	19.6%	33.9%	26.8%	12.5%
Q16-25. Outdoor exercise stations	15.2%	18.2%	27.3%	27.3%	12.1%
Q16-26. Indoor pool	4.8%	1.2%	10.8%	15.7%	67.5%
Q16-27. Senior center	12.5%	13.9%	29.2%	23.6%	20.8%
Q16-28. Golf course	35.7%	16.7%	23.8%	16.7%	7.1%
Q16-29. Fitness center/spa	9.5%	13.3%	25.7%	19.0%	32.4%
Q16-30. Other	8.7%	0.0%	4.3%	17.4%	69.6%

Q16-30. Other

- Adult recreation and learning, including wellness, cooking, baking, yoga, sound bath meditation, arts and crafts, painting, quilling, resin art, digital photo album making, glass, antiquing on I'll mosaic, indoor water walking, flower arranging, resin art.... Why isn't part of the school system budget dedicated to adult leisure and recreational ed? The city of prior lake/savage Minnesota , which I just visited, with a tax base of only 32,000 people has 38 pages of a 58 page catalog devoted to adult learning... why can't PSL , a much larger and better financed city have more classes and activities for retired and senior residents?!
- And why isn't there a lazy river and swim park for all ages? PSL residents have to drive to Stuart or further (West Palm) to enjoy a wave pool, lazy river pool with cabanas? Also, the hospitals in PSL don't offer community wellness classes or meetings on chair yoga, meditation, breath work, stretching, journaling, etc. like they do in Jupiter, West Palm, and other locations.
- Adult soccer fields. Minimum 65 yards in width. Also the need for a turf multi purpose field for soccer and football
- Art center.
- Art workshop
- Camping and RV
- Concession stands promoting healthy foods for recovery And well-being.
- Dog park
- Fishing piers.
- Free Indoor meeting spaces for small groups and homeschool activities.
- Handball courts
- indoor soccer
- more covered parks
- Mountain bike trails
- Mountain bike trails and BMX race track
- Mountain Bike Trails needed ASAP
- Nature areas, teen areas , telescope/star areas, hiking /walking in nature areas
- Racquetball courts inside
- Rock climbing and mountain biking trails

- Sidewalks in residential neighborhoods. Walking in the street is dangerous.
- Theater
- Track field
- TRAILS
- Undeveloped open green space like a village common with occasional benches shade trees on edges, a water station but no organized sports fields .
- We need more activity areas that are wheelchair accessible and more family activities
- We need mountain bike trails

Q17. Which FOUR of the facilities from the list in Question 16 are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q17. Top choice	Number	Percent
Baseball/softball fields	5	1.2 %
Dog parks	25	6.2 %
Walking & hiking trails	87	21.4 %
Paved bike trails	39	9.6 %
Natural areas/nature parks	42	10.3 %
Spraygrounds/splash pads	14	3.4 %
Indoor gymnasium/game courts	4	1.0 %
Children's indoor play area	13	3.2 %
Children's playgrounds	14	3.4 %
Picnic shelters/picnic areas	5	1.2 %
Skateboarding area	1	0.2 %
Disc golf course	3	0.7 %
Outdoor pool/aquatics	6	1.5 %
Pickleball courts	11	2.7 %
Community garden	9	2.2 %
Community recreation center	3	0.7 %
Outdoor stage/amphitheater	6	1.5 %
Tennis courts	2	0.5 %
Outdoor basketball courts	1	0.2 %
Rental for banquets/reception/private parties	1	0.2 %
Football fields	2	0.5 %
Soccer fields	8	2.0 %
Volleyball courts	1	0.2 %
Outdoor exercise stations	2	0.5 %
Indoor pool	11	2.7 %
Senior center	8	2.0 %
Golf course	14	3.4 %
Fitness center/spa	13	3.2 %
None chosen	56	13.8 %
Total	406	100.0 %

Q17. Which FOUR of the facilities from the list in Question 16 are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q17. 2nd choice	Number	Percent
Baseball/softball fields	5	1.2 %
Dog parks	14	3.4 %
Walking & hiking trails	62	15.3 %
Paved bike trails	34	8.4 %
Natural areas/nature parks	40	9.9 %
Spraygrounds/splash pads	13	3.2 %
Indoor gymnasium/game courts	8	2.0 %
Children's indoor play area	11	2.7 %
Children's playgrounds	9	2.2 %
Picnic shelters/picnic areas	10	2.5 %
Skateboarding area	1	0.2 %
Disc golf course	8	2.0 %
Outdoor pool/aquatics	10	2.5 %
Pickleball courts	16	3.9 %
Community garden	12	3.0 %
Community recreation center	7	1.7 %
Outdoor stage/amphitheater	8	2.0 %
Tennis courts	1	0.2 %
Outdoor basketball courts	2	0.5 %
Rental for banquets/reception/private parties	3	0.7 %
Football fields	1	0.2 %
Soccer fields	3	0.7 %
Multi-purpose fields	1	0.2 %
Outdoor exercise stations	3	0.7 %
Indoor pool	7	1.7 %
Senior center	15	3.7 %
Golf course	2	0.5 %
Fitness center/spa	6	1.5 %
None chosen	94	23.2 %
Total	406	100.0 %

Q17. Which FOUR of the facilities from the list in Question 16 are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q17. 3rd choice	Number	Percent
Baseball/softball fields	2	0.5 %
Dog parks	14	3.4 %
Walking & hiking trails	27	6.7 %
Paved bike trails	25	6.2 %
Natural areas/nature parks	36	8.9 %
Spraygrounds/splash pads	19	4.7 %
Children's indoor play area	7	1.7 %
Children's playgrounds	10	2.5 %
Picnic shelters/picnic areas	25	6.2 %
Skateboarding area	8	2.0 %
Disc golf course	4	1.0 %
Outdoor pool/aquatics	15	3.7 %
Pickleball courts	5	1.2 %
Community garden	10	2.5 %
Community recreation center	9	2.2 %
Outdoor stage/amphitheater	21	5.2 %
Tennis courts	1	0.2 %
Outdoor basketball courts	1	0.2 %
Rental for banquets/reception/private parties	3	0.7 %
Football fields	1	0.2 %
Soccer fields	1	0.2 %
Volleyball courts	1	0.2 %
Multi-purpose fields	6	1.5 %
Outdoor exercise stations	3	0.7 %
Indoor pool	4	1.0 %
Senior center	6	1.5 %
Golf course	5	1.2 %
Fitness center/spa	12	3.0 %
None chosen	125	30.8 %
Total	406	100.0 %

Q17. Which FOUR of the facilities from the list in Question 16 are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q17. 4th choice	Number	Percent
Baseball/softball fields	4	1.0 %
Dog parks	14	3.4 %
Walking & hiking trails	19	4.7 %
Paved bike trails	18	4.4 %
Natural areas/nature parks	24	5.9 %
Spraygrounds/splash pads	6	1.5 %
Indoor gymnasium/game courts	6	1.5 %
Children's indoor play area	7	1.7 %
Children's playgrounds	7	1.7 %
Picnic shelters/picnic areas	14	3.4 %
Skateboarding area	7	1.7 %
Disc golf course	5	1.2 %
Outdoor pool/aquatics	7	1.7 %
Pickleball courts	5	1.2 %
Community garden	7	1.7 %
Community recreation center	8	2.0 %
Outdoor stage/amphitheater	9	2.2 %
Outdoor basketball courts	6	1.5 %
Rental for banquets/reception/private parties	9	2.2 %
Football fields	1	0.2 %
Soccer fields	4	1.0 %
Volleyball courts	2	0.5 %
Multi-purpose fields	2	0.5 %
Outdoor exercise stations	6	1.5 %
Indoor pool	13	3.2 %
Senior center	8	2.0 %
Golf course	6	1.5 %
Fitness center/spa	13	3.2 %
None chosen	169	41.6 %
Total	406	100.0 %

SUM OF TOP 4 CHOICES**Q17. Which FOUR of the facilities from the list in Question 16 are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household? (top 4)**

<u>Q17. Top choice</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Baseball/softball fields	16	3.9 %
Dog parks	67	16.5 %
Walking & hiking trails	195	48.0 %
Paved bike trails	116	28.6 %
Natural areas/nature parks	142	35.0 %
Spraygrounds/splash pads	52	12.8 %
Indoor gymnasium/game courts	18	4.4 %
Children's indoor play area	38	9.4 %
Children's playgrounds	40	9.9 %
Picnic shelters/picnic areas	54	13.3 %
Skateboarding area	17	4.2 %
Disc golf course	20	4.9 %
Outdoor pool/aquatics	38	9.4 %
Pickleball courts	37	9.1 %
Community garden	38	9.4 %
Community recreation center	27	6.7 %
Outdoor stage/amphitheater	44	10.8 %
Tennis courts	4	1.0 %
Outdoor basketball courts	10	2.5 %
Rental for banquets/reception/private parties	16	3.9 %
Football fields	5	1.2 %
Soccer fields	16	3.9 %
Volleyball courts	4	1.0 %
Multi-purpose fields	9	2.2 %
Outdoor exercise stations	14	3.4 %
Indoor pool	35	8.6 %
Senior center	37	9.1 %
Golf course	27	6.7 %
Fitness center/spa	44	10.8 %
None chosen	56	13.8 %
Total	1236	

Q18. Please indicate how supportive you would be of each of the following actions the City of Port St. Lucie could take to improve the Parks and Recreation system using a scale of 1 to 3, where 3 means "very supportive" and 1 means "not supportive."

(N=406)

	Very supportive	Somewhat supportive	Not supportive	Not sure
Q18-1. Acquiring land for developing parks	58.9%	23.9%	7.1%	10.1%
Q18-2. Acquiring land for developing sports/athletic fields & courts	34.0%	32.0%	20.4%	13.5%
Q18-3. Acquiring land for developing sports complexes for travel leagues, regional/national competitions that attract tourism	21.2%	27.1%	35.7%	16.0%
Q18-4. Acquiring land to preserve greenspace, tree canopy, & provide access to natural areas	71.2%	15.0%	3.9%	9.9%
Q18-5. Acquiring land to develop more greenways & trails	66.3%	17.5%	5.7%	10.6%
Q18-6. Completely redesigning & renovating existing parks to meet resident needs & priorities	48.3%	29.6%	8.6%	13.5%
Q18-7. Developing a Teen Center	36.5%	27.1%	14.3%	22.2%
Q18-8. Developing an Indoor Pool/Aquatics Center	32.5%	27.1%	21.4%	19.0%
Q18-9. Developing new greenways trails, high quality bicycle facilities & shaded sidewalks that enhance connectivity	62.1%	18.2%	7.9%	11.8%
Q18-10. Developing new parks & recreation facilities to meet resident needs & priorities	52.2%	25.9%	7.6%	14.3%
Q18-11. Expanding park resources to improve facility maintenance	46.1%	32.8%	7.6%	13.5%
Q18-12. Expanding recreation & staff resources to offer more programs	46.6%	29.6%	9.6%	14.3%
Q18-13. Increasing funding for improving, renovating, & expanding existing parks & recreation facilities	47.0%	29.6%	9.9%	13.5%
Q18-14. Offering more programs & special events that bring families together	47.5%	27.8%	8.6%	16.0%

Q18. Please indicate how supportive you would be of each of the following actions the City of Port St. Lucie could take to improve the Parks and Recreation system using a scale of 1 to 3, where 3 means "very supportive" and 1 means "not supportive."

	Very supportive	Somewhat supportive	Not supportive	Not sure
Q18-15. Renovating & making improvements to existing parks & recreation facilities	52.0%	30.3%	5.9%	11.8%
Q18-16. Providing additional parking in parks	30.0%	32.3%	16.3%	21.4%
Q18-17. Other	8.9%	0.7%	0.0%	90.4%

WITHOUT NOT SURE

Q18. Please indicate how supportive you would be of each of the following actions the City of Port St. Lucie could take to improve the Parks and Recreation system using a scale of 1 to 3, where 3 means "very supportive" and 1 means "not supportive." (without "not sure")

(N=406)

	Very supportive	Somewhat supportive	Not supportive
Q18-1. Acquiring land for developing parks	65.5%	26.6%	7.9%
Q18-2. Acquiring land for developing sports/athletic fields & courts	39.3%	37.0%	23.6%
Q18-3. Acquiring land for developing sports complexes for travel leagues, regional/national competitions that attract tourism	25.2%	32.3%	42.5%
Q18-4. Acquiring land to preserve greenspace, tree canopy, & provide access to natural areas	79.0%	16.7%	4.4%
Q18-5. Acquiring land to develop more greenways & trails	74.1%	19.6%	6.3%
Q18-6. Completely redesigning & renovating existing parks to meet resident needs & priorities	55.8%	34.2%	10.0%
Q18-7. Developing a Teen Center	46.8%	34.8%	18.4%
Q18-8. Developing an Indoor Pool/Aquatics Center	40.1%	33.4%	26.4%
Q18-9. Developing new greenways trails, high quality bicycle facilities & shaded sidewalks that enhance connectivity	70.4%	20.7%	8.9%
Q18-10. Developing new parks & recreation facilities to meet resident needs & priorities	60.9%	30.2%	8.9%
Q18-11. Expanding park resources to improve facility maintenance	53.3%	37.9%	8.8%
Q18-12. Expanding recreation & staff resources to offer more programs	54.3%	34.5%	11.2%
Q18-13. Increasing funding for improving, renovating, & expanding existing parks & recreation facilities	54.4%	34.2%	11.4%
Q18-14. Offering more programs & special events that bring families together	56.6%	33.1%	10.3%

WITHOUT NOT SURE

Q18. Please indicate how supportive you would be of each of the following actions the City of Port St. Lucie could take to improve the Parks and Recreation system using a scale of 1 to 3, where 3 means "very supportive" and 1 means "not supportive." (without "not sure")

	Very supportive	Somewhat supportive	Not supportive
Q18-15. Renovating & making improvements to existing parks & recreation facilities	58.9%	34.4%	6.7%
Q18-16. Providing additional parking in parks	38.2%	41.1%	20.7%
Q18-17. Other	92.3%	7.7%	0.0%

Q18-17. Other

- Acquire Sinners golf course
- Art center. Art and culture is an extremely important aspect of a healthy city. It brings communities together and teaches culture.
- bike lane connecting Crosstown and Green River
- Building or renovating buildings to create more indoor spaces for meeting, hanging out, or activities that are free to use.
- Community Aquatics center in the south end of the city.
- Concession stands providing healthy foods and drinks that will help heal the community.
- Craft workshop facility
- Create fishing locations at county parks.
- Dog parks
- Everything I answered above , all examples of unmet services such as adult leisure and learning.
- Exercise equipment, shaded benches, trash cans, on green river pkwy
- Golf courses
- Handball courts and three wall
- I highly support improving parks! Please show some love to Elks Lodge/Friendship Park! Such a beautiful area but the park is beyond outdated. Also, please look into the large piece of land on SE Mariposa Ave next to Holy Family Catholic Church. Would be an amazing spot for a nice park with a nature trail, would hate to see it ruined by adding more apartments or houses.
- Improve boat ramps to include kayak launching. Add rv 50/30 electric, water, sewer to McCarthy ranch, plant some shade trees to camping location.
- Local craft fairs art music and farmers markets.
- Maintaining Pickleball courts and trash collection
- Make a mountain bike trail. With jumps!
- More libraries or interactive outdoor learning for children
- more parking for events
- more shade trees
- Mountain Bike Trails needed ASAP
- new pool
- Not sure? It's got electrolytes. It's what plants crave.
- outdoor community pools
- Outdoor pools

- Place signage on sidewalks that require bikes, e-bikes and motorized bikers to alert through horn or voice prior to passing pedestrians on sidewalks and alert walkers to give space to bike riders. Not putting up these signs is unsafe and neglectful. PSL can do better for our citizens.
- Please See List.
- Put exercise equipment on Green River parkway!!
- reduce heavy traffic
- Removing organized private sports teams from our neighborhood parks. Let ‘ the people” use their parks NOT. The few who play on organized sports leagues/ teams
- RV camping
- Security
- Shading of play structures in existing parks. This is Florida the Sunshine State yet the majority of play structures in parks have no coverage from the sun, making them enjoyable during certain hours of the day. Even when parks like Lyngate were being remodeled, shading was not in the plans, but Sportsman Park has shading.
- splash pads
- Teen areas, teen classes, nature classes, nature areas, archery, teen outdoor spaces not just basketball
- The county has done an excellent job with the environmental preserves (Spruce Bluff, LeStrange, Walton Scrub). Not only do those sites provide wildlife habitat - it stops development. Something that is too late for PSL.
- Theater.
- Updating parks and facilities to be more wheelchair accessible and add wheelchair swings
- Very much support having more sidewalks. My neighborhood has none.
- Yoga and classes at the community and humana Fitness center on weekends and after work hours need better hours at those centers for those people who work not every one can get there early

Q19. Which FOUR of the actions from the list in Question 18 are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q19. Top choice	Number	Percent
Acquiring land for developing parks	43	10.6 %
Acquiring land for developing sports/athletic fields & courts	13	3.2 %
Acquiring land for developing sports complexes for travel leagues, regional/national competitions that attract tourism	7	1.7 %
Acquiring land to preserve greenspace, tree canopy, & provide access to natural areas	108	26.6 %
Acquiring land to develop more greenways & trails	23	5.7 %
Completely redesigning & renovating existing parks to meet resident needs & priorities	24	5.9 %
Developing a Teen Center	14	3.4 %
Developing an Indoor Pool/Aquatics Center	22	5.4 %
Developing new greenways trails, high quality bicycle facilities & shaded sidewalks that enhance connectivity	29	7.1 %
Developing new parks & recreation facilities to meet resident needs & priorities	7	1.7 %
Expanding park resources to improve facility maintenance	3	0.7 %
Expanding recreation & staff resources to offer more programs	7	1.7 %
Increasing funding for improving, renovating, & expanding existing parks & recreation facilities	6	1.5 %
Offering more programs & special events that bring families together	6	1.5 %
Renovating & making improvements to existing parks & recreation facilities	13	3.2 %
Providing additional parking in parks	6	1.5 %
None chosen	75	18.5 %
Total	406	100.0 %

Q19. Which FOUR of the actions from the list in Question 18 are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q19. 2nd choice	Number	Percent
Acquiring land for developing parks	21	5.2 %
Acquiring land for developing sports/athletic fields & courts	14	3.4 %
Acquiring land for developing sports complexes for travel leagues, regional/national competitions that attract tourism	8	2.0 %
Acquiring land to preserve greenspace, tree canopy, & provide access to natural areas	42	10.3 %
Acquiring land to develop more greenways & trails	69	17.0 %
Completely redesigning & renovating existing parks to meet resident needs & priorities	22	5.4 %
Developing a Teen Center	9	2.2 %
Developing an Indoor Pool/Aquatics Center	14	3.4 %
Developing new greenways trails, high quality bicycle facilities & shaded sidewalks that enhance connectivity	31	7.6 %
Developing new parks & recreation facilities to meet resident needs & priorities	15	3.7 %
Expanding park resources to improve facility maintenance	5	1.2 %
Expanding recreation & staff resources to offer more programs	6	1.5 %
Increasing funding for improving, renovating, & expanding existing parks & recreation facilities	6	1.5 %
Offering more programs & special events that bring families together	19	4.7 %
Renovating & making improvements to existing parks & recreation facilities	16	3.9 %
Providing additional parking in parks	1	0.2 %
None chosen	108	26.6 %
Total	406	100.0 %

Q19. Which FOUR of the actions from the list in Question 18 are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q19. 3rd choice	Number	Percent
Acquiring land for developing parks	19	4.7 %
Acquiring land for developing sports/athletic fields & courts	4	1.0 %
Acquiring land for developing sports complexes for travel leagues, regional/national competitions that attract tourism	5	1.2 %
Acquiring land to preserve greenspace, tree canopy, & provide access to natural areas	24	5.9 %
Acquiring land to develop more greenways & trails	27	6.7 %
Completely redesigning & renovating existing parks to meet resident needs & priorities	24	5.9 %
Developing a Teen Center	10	2.5 %
Developing an Indoor Pool/Aquatics Center	18	4.4 %
Developing new greenways trails, high quality bicycle facilities & shaded sidewalks that enhance connectivity	48	11.8 %
Developing new parks & recreation facilities to meet resident needs & priorities	21	5.2 %
Expanding park resources to improve facility maintenance	9	2.2 %
Expanding recreation & staff resources to offer more programs	11	2.7 %
Increasing funding for improving, renovating, & expanding existing parks & recreation facilities	12	3.0 %
Offering more programs & special events that bring families together	18	4.4 %
Renovating & making improvements to existing parks & recreation facilities	17	4.2 %
Providing additional parking in parks	3	0.7 %
None chosen	136	33.5 %
Total	406	100.0 %

Q19. Which FOUR of the actions from the list in Question 18 are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q19. 4th choice	Number	Percent
Acquiring land for developing parks	17	4.2 %
Acquiring land for developing sports/athletic fields & courts	3	0.7 %
Acquiring land for developing sports complexes for travel leagues, regional/national competitions that attract tourism	5	1.2 %
Acquiring land to preserve greenspace, tree canopy, & provide access to natural areas	14	3.4 %
Acquiring land to develop more greenways & trails	17	4.2 %
Completely redesigning & renovating existing parks to meet resident needs & priorities	18	4.4 %
Developing a Teen Center	19	4.7 %
Developing an Indoor Pool/Aquatics Center	8	2.0 %
Developing new greenways trails, high quality bicycle facilities & shaded sidewalks that enhance connectivity	28	6.9 %
Developing new parks & recreation facilities to meet resident needs & priorities	19	4.7 %
Expanding park resources to improve facility maintenance	10	2.5 %
Expanding recreation & staff resources to offer more programs	10	2.5 %
Increasing funding for improving, renovating, & expanding existing parks & recreation facilities	19	4.7 %
Offering more programs & special events that bring families together	15	3.7 %
Renovating & making improvements to existing parks & recreation facilities	19	4.7 %
Providing additional parking in parks	8	2.0 %
None chosen	177	43.6 %
Total	406	100.0 %

SUM OF TOP 4 CHOICES**Q19. Which FOUR of the actions from the list in Question 18 are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household? (top 4)**

<u>Q19. Top choice</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Acquiring land for developing parks	100	24.6 %
Acquiring land for developing sports/athletic fields & courts	34	8.4 %
Acquiring land for developing sports complexes for travel leagues, regional/national competitions that attract tourism	25	6.2 %
Acquiring land to preserve greenspace, tree canopy, & provide access to natural areas	188	46.3 %
Acquiring land to develop more greenways & trails	136	33.5 %
Completely redesigning & renovating existing parks to meet resident needs & priorities	88	21.7 %
Developing a Teen Center	52	12.8 %
Developing an Indoor Pool/Aquatics Center	62	15.3 %
Developing new greenways trails, high quality bicycle facilities & shaded sidewalks that enhance connectivity	136	33.5 %
Developing new parks & recreation facilities to meet resident needs & priorities	62	15.3 %
Expanding park resources to improve facility maintenance	27	6.7 %
Expanding recreation & staff resources to offer more programs	34	8.4 %
Increasing funding for improving, renovating, & expanding existing parks & recreation facilities	43	10.6 %
Offering more programs & special events that bring families together	58	14.3 %
Renovating & making improvements to existing parks & recreation facilities	65	16.0 %
Providing additional parking in parks	18	4.4 %
<u>None chosen</u>	<u>75</u>	<u>18.5 %</u>
Total	1203	

Q20. If you had a budget of \$100 for FACILITIES/CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS provided by the City of Port St. Lucie Parks and Recreation Department, how would you allocate the funds among the categories of funding listed below?

	Mean
Development of new/additional parks facilities in existing parks	13.40
Development of new walking & biking facilities	20.70
Development of new indoor recreation centers	10.50
Improvements/maintenance of existing parks & recreation facilities	16.78
Improvements/maintenance of existing indoor recreation centers	7.42
Improvements/maintenance of existing walking & biking facilities	11.22
Acquiring new park land	13.07
Other	6.91

Q20. Other

- a bike lane connecting green river pkwy with crosstown
- Acquire Sinners golf course
- Adding wheelchair accessibility and wheelchair swings and wheelchair friendly parks and facilities
- Additional programs/activities for seniors and kids
- All the not provided classes and services I suggested
- Allocate RV camping to small existing parks. Tourism will improve bringing more revenue to St. Lucia county in the winter. Snowbirds will come to enjoy and spend money to use improved parks.
- Amphitheater
- Anything that add more NATURAL park space. Not sports fields, buildings, etc.
- art center. The city can pay for it with a 1 cent tax. I polled people and everyone wants an art center.
- Bird watching is the number one hobby in the US, promotes connection to our natural resources, exercise, and is safe and needs little management. Yet, we have no bird blinds, very few benches, and even fewer viewing platforms.
- Buying land to preserve natural land and prevent further development
- Community Aquatics Center
- Connection of parks/green areas
- Connectivity
- continuing education programs, skills
- Disc golf course
- Don't spend tax dollars
- Facilities upkeep
- Farmers markets
- Golf courses
- Golf courses
- Gym equipment/fitness Center
- Handball courts
- Hire more people or stay open longer at the community center and humana fitness centers your hours work best for seniors who are retired not working residents
- Improve parking
- Indoor Aquatics Center
- indoor pool with extended hours
- More affordable activities, like swimming year round, co funding sports
- More fitness training classes and personal trainers

- more for seniors
- Mountain Bike Trails needed ASAP
- Nature trails
- Nature trails/trees
- new pool
- outdoor community pools
- Outdoor pool
- Parks for older kids with mental disability who are big like adults but think like a little kid.
- Picnic tables particularly St Lucie West
- Providing parks with NO ORGANIZED SPORTS FIELDS that neighborhood families could use for play. Stop destroying nature for rich kids to play while common folk are li tied to their yards
- Public disc golf or pickle ball facilities
- Put exercise equipment on Green River Parkway
- Refund to the tax payer
- Sidewalks
- Sidewalks
- Sidewalks that lead to parks, instead of requiring going by car
- Skatepark and other teen friendly parks
- Stop building houses and making this city a concrete jungle. This has developed so much land and has driven wildlife out of their homes. STOP THE DEVELOPING
- Teen Center
- Unforeseen bills
- Wildlife

Q21. If you had a budget of \$100 for PROGRAMS AND OPERATIONS provided by the City of Port St. Lucie Parks and Recreation Department, how would you allocate the funds among the categories of funding listed below?

	Mean
Additional adult recreation programs and/or classes (excluding athletics)	15.81
Additional youth recreation programs and/or classes (excluding athletics)	14.66
Additional senior recreation programs and/or classes (excluding athletics)	14.69
Additional adult athletic program/leagues	6.98
Additional youth athletic program/leagues	10.62
Increase frequency of programs/classes and/or extended hours of programming	12.27
Increase staff to improve maintenance of parks & facilities	19.62
Other	5.35

Q21-8. Other

- Acquiring more land for nature parks
- Adventure Park
- Amphitheater
- art center
- Concession stands providing healthy foods and drinks.
- contingency
- Develop parks large enough to have well marked hiking trails including rest stops and benches.
- Don't spend tax dollars
- Farmers Markets

- Golf courses
- Handball courts and three wall
- improve games
- Indoor pool facility, there are only pools in the county and none in the city as far as I'm aware
- Kayak launching ramps
- Maintenance of natural areas
- Marketing for seasonal tourism for RV to use parks. Tourist will use parks while visiting.
- Money to keep the environment clean
- More Disc Golf please!!!!!! Its a great sport for all ages. Build parks like Halpatiokee Regional Park in Stuart. For the kids playgrounds don't have so many spinning things like you did with the revamps of a few parks. Kids spinning themselves till their sick. Have more obstacles, challenges etc. Have some for older kids because you know they are going to use the little kids one if you don't.
- More equipment in the gym
- Mountain Bike Trails needed ASAP
- Natural open space. This city has been destroyed by developers/development. Please buy more land -- and just leave it alone so the wildlife can live. NO paving, blacktop, concrete or structures. Just the trees, grass and land that occur naturally.
- Nature and preservation
- Sidewalks
- Teen programs
- Unforeseen bills
- Whatever makes the most sense
- Wildlife

Q22. Please share any thoughts/ideas that you may have on specific areas within the City where more parks and recreation facilities are needed.

- A bigger and cleaner dog part, especially for small dogs
- Adding, expanding and maintaining existing parks is critical to a growing community.
- additional parks in the Torino section
- Again, I want my massive tax burden to be dedicated to stopping the building and construction in this city. there is so little open space and so little habitat for the flora and fauna that made this a beautiful place even three years ago. NO MORE FACILITIES -- either public or private. Open , forested space
- All playgrounds should have a fence, walking areas and bike trails not around water .
- An aquatic center and swim team is needed near the civic center
- An indoor pool and year round swimming lessons. Lessons are way too limited and one community pool??!
- Aquatics Center in the south end of the city.
- As to McCarthy Ranch, increase features that would attract more birds and wildlife; add boardwalks and piers and add picnic shelters
- Becker Rd area.
- BECKER ROAD AND PSL BLVD JUNCTION. MUST HAVE SIDEWALKS ON PSL BLVD. SAFETY FOR WALKERS AND BIKERS. CANT WALK TO THE PARKS, SCHOOLS OR STORES SAFELY. WHAT HAPPENED TO THE CITY CENTER THAT WAS DESIGNED FOR BECKER RD? THE PARK THAT WAS PLANNED BY PSL BLVD?

- Between SW Gatling Blvd and SW Becker Rd there is almost no park or recreational facilities in place. We either have to drive 10 min average to Whispering Pine Parks (which is nice) or settle for the smaller Woodland trails park. so It would be nice to get some more stuff to do around these parts that don't involve 15+ minute drive.
- Bike trails
- Blanton Road in Torino
- Can you create a bike gravel path along the c23 canal
- Cashmere and Del Rio Blvd., Paar and Savan, Port St Lucie Blvd and Becker rod
- Closer parks for walking or biking distance from West Torino
- Community garden on East side of town and also one near I 95/tradition area
- Completely redesign and rebuild elks lodge/friendship park. It's got so much space and needs a modernization. Also exercise equipment on Green River Parkway
- Crosstown/ California Blvd area
- Disc golf at Bayshore
- Drainage in swan park and better parking
- Basketball courts in turtle run park
- East side of Port St. Lucie
- Gatlin
- Golf course needs to be kept up-to-date. More funding for new programs at golf course.
- Having a place to ride bikes for a long time, like a bike lap around a lake.
- Housing only areas if you must always drive to facilities
- I feel there are plenty already
- I hear nothing about PSL parks... if event are going on they must rely on word of mouth which is ridiculous.
- I highly support improving parks! Please show some love to Elks Lodge/Friendship Park! Such a beautiful area but the park is beyond outdated. Also, please look into the large piece of land on SE Mariposa Ave next to Holy Family Catholic Church. Would be an amazing spot for a nice park with a nature trail, would hate to see it ruined by adding more apartments or houses.
- I think the city does a great job but would always advocate for more green space.
- I think you guys have done a fantastic job renovating and building new parks! However, parents need an indoor option for the summertime. Even with the sun shades outside it's just way too hot for our little ones to enjoy the park! This past summer was brutal.
- I use the community center and the floors need more cleaning.
- I wish the small lake in fair green crossing had a paved walking path and trees that are not dead because they were planted too far down into the water. Maybe a safe area to fish for children because they're always standing at the waters edge. It could be a nice place for neighbors to come together.
- Id love more parks close by. Neighborhood parks near crosstown and Fair green. Connections through green space to get to places by bike.
- IMPROVE MAINTENANCE AND SECURITY OF HIKING AND BIKING
- In need of more men's adult soccer field for semi/ professional games. Preferable a turf field
- Indoor pool for year round lessons
- It takes too long to get some projects completed. We first heard about the Port District in 2020 and the board walk is still incomplete. Looking forward to new trails along the river. We need more shade trees along Veterans Memorial Hwy to make it a more pleasant experience. Woodstock Park is really pleasant because of its natural landscape and habitat.

- Just more small neighborhood parks within walking distance for residents. Too many houses being built.
- Keep some trees- sick of Mattamy clear-cutting anything with a green leaf on it!!!
- Keeping bathrooms clean at parks and trash emptied. More times for activities, like pickle ball, exercise, classes, etc. Website needs help - it is awful. Get error messages all the time - not user-friendly.
- Kiwani Park needs an upgrade and needs to be treated for ants.
- Kiwanis park is beautiful with its trees but would love to see it updated more modern. Also there's so much land there to run around and we love that but the picnic area is so limited.
- Make remaining green area by East Becker road a park. Area just east of Veranda Gardens. It's wetlands. Enough development in the area.
- Many communities already have drainage ponds. Simply putting shaded sidewalks around these ponds would create pleasant areas for walking and exercising pets. Ex. The corner of Floresta and Crosstown. Add a few pieces of playground equipment for the kids as well
- Midway
- Moore nature trails near tradition
- More adult related parks.
- More attention to PSL east of US1.

*ELKS LODGE PARK, our neighborhood park, we spend some time there, but it's such a sad, & simple (not in a good way) park. Bathrooms are always clean, little dock is nice, absolutely LOVE THE BIG TREES! However, why only half a basketball court? The playground is so simple kids get bored quickly, equipment is consistently broken or just inoperable due to need of maintenance. Larger or more complex play structure in place of the one there that seems to be geared toward 0-3yr olds only.

There have been instances when gates haven't been open at 9am, morning play time is precious in super hot Florida.

* Many people use Green River pkwy to exercise daily & there are no trash cans, maybe 2 benches with trash cans. There is a big need for exercise equipment & possibly flashing lights near crossing streets for pedestrians (melaleuca, Berkshire, Charleston).

- More bike trails and walking trails that include shade provided by trees
- More Disc Golf please!!!!!! Its a great sport for all ages. Build parks like Halpatiokee Regional Park in Stuart. For the kids playgrounds don't have so many spinning things like you did with the revamps of a few parks. Kids spinning themselves till their sick. Have more obstacles, challenges etc. Have some for older kids because you know they are going to use the little kids one if you don't.
- More dog parks.
- More greenways/preservation
- More Kayaking options
- More lighted pickleball courts
- More neighborhood parks and trails
- more options in Ft Pierce
- More parks are not needed -too costly to maintain
- More parks designed for walking trails and relaxation. It seems like all parks are for athletic events.
- More social media awareness attention focused on the parks and the programs they offer. Parks are very hidden and most residents are aware of where they are. Better signage on the roads to call out the parks.
- More staff at Minsky
- More walking and biking trails with shade. More level soccer fields.

- Most trails are sunny here due to heat, we would enjoy a major investment in shade trees . More protected green areas.
- Mountain bike trails please!!!
- MY KIDS ARE WELL PAST LITTLE LEAGUE PROGRAMS BUT WE SPENT NUMEROUS YEARS ON BALLFIELDS-RESTROOMS ARE ALWAYS GROSS. EXCEPT-JESSICA CLINTON PARK-EXCELLENT ON CLEANLINESS
- Natural parks. Not stuff like Pioneer Park having restaurant space, etc. Not spending city money on sports fields
- Nature/ natural park in Tradition
- Near Cashmere and Peacock.
- Near Gatlin Boulevard
- Need a better option for workout facility in between tradition and Darwin now that LA fitness was removed.

Also need a green space/walking/running space in between the Savona/ Rosser/ PSL Blvd areas that's walkable for residents.

& Darwin square- green space

Much more green/nature space is needed. Not necessarily parks but walking hiking trail. Shaded walks. Too many underutilized children's parks everywhere.

- Need an amphitheater for outdoor events and concerts on the west side of the city.
- Need another community center in the western communities. west of I 95
- Need more shaded areas (both seating and the playgrounds covered) and more seating for parents/adults supervising children at parks
- Need more soccer fields.. for e the clubs that use them to play each other in annual tournament staffed by club and city personnel.
- Need something like Halipatiokee for mountain biking trails
- Need to conserve land, and the natural environment with less people in these areas.
- Need to have cleaner restrooms
- New indoor recreational center with gym equipment, indoor pool, 3 basketball rooms, soccer field and baseball field.
Included trail road for hiking and biking.
- New to the area so I'm unsure at this time.
- No new parks. We need security at the ones we already have.
- Older neighborhoods are ignored and are only served by big sports parks like sportsman's park. Nothing at all for average residents or older taxpayers
- Open more nature preserve land for hiking and biking,
- Our need for more information about the parks, locations, activities, etc.
- Parking in Traditions so families can attend events.
- Parks are wonderful when installed but are being misused, people do not care. You need to protect parks and install cameras and ask locals to volunteer to insure that issues are dealt with
- Pickleball courts in Tradition area.
- Picnic Tables in shaded area of parks and benches
Along Crosstown for seniors waking
- Please do not ruin parks with golf courses like they wanted to do to Dickinson.
- Please make the website easier to use.
- Please put padded floors under playgrounds instead of mulch and fence the area around the playgrounds so children can't run away

- Please update and improve Fred cook park by our house. Lived here 20+years 6 grandkids need a place to play other than Jessica Clinton
- Plenty of unused space available for small skateboard areas. More access to baseball facilities for adults and teens like batting cages and field use. Improvement of baseball field maintenance (some of those fields are dangerous!) Park land near Bay St. Lucie and Tesoro has plenty of room for an 18-hole disc golf course.
- PSL Hurricanes have completely outgrown Swan Park. No reason they don't use McChesney besides politics with MAKO. I've been in both. It's obvious what is happening
- Purchase the sinners golf course and make it a city run golf course. It worked pretty well at the Saints.
- Put dollars into street lighting....not added onto a tax payers property taxeven if the neighborhood voted St 61% to get street lighting for safety.... Create a safe community which is going to be desperately needed in this growing city
- Safe bike trails and walking paths is a huge need. Look at Sioux Falls, SD around their river. The trail brings in revenue and go to destination
- Saint Lucie West
- Sandpiper Bay park could use some paved walkways and bike paths
- Selvitz Road and Bayshore
- Senior classes in west area
- Southern Grove Tradition area has been booming with new developments over the last five years. More land needs to be preserved for open space and parks for the residents in this section of Port St. Lucia.
- Stop spending in more parks that we don't need and lower taxes
- STOP THE DEVELOPING PSL IS FULL All at the expense of the wildlife
- SW area of PSL - Becker Road area
- Swan park area
- Swan Park needs improved drainage to facilitate youth athletic program.
It would be nice to have an outdoor basketball court at Turtle Run park. Overall, more basketball courts would be nice.
- Tai Chi, more trails. kayak rentals
- Taxes are too high. We have enough parks
- Teen Center near Whispering Pines. 75K people live in the 34953 zip code and we need a Community and Teen Center at near the Whispering Pines Park area.
- The City already has sufficient park facilities. Building new park and rec facilities should be done only in specific neighborhoods that petition the City for a new park or program and have clear support of majority of residents in those neighborhoods. When responding to petitions for new park and rec projects, the City should clearly show the residents the cost, for example: this new park will add a one-time \$6 cost to an average tax bill per property, and will cost \$0.56 annually per tax bill to maintain it in the future.
- The City in many cases has near adequate space for youth sports programs. Unfortunately these resources are not utilized in a common sense way. There are youth sports teams turned away from fields night after night but many parks are not used those same nights.
- The city should put money a community art center. We have lots of amazing parks. We lack a cultural art center and theater. That's where our funding should go.
- The closest 2 parks to my home needs a serious update and better care

- The idea of a community garden mentioned I love it! It helps those who want to grow some vegetables or fruits to do so in their own home or a small space like a patio, to learn from the community and see what others are growing and planting. Seeing fruits, veggies and flowers grown by others and their success, tips and tricks are really encouraging for others who want to get started in gardening.

My family and I use the pickleball courts about 3 times a week. It's a very popular sport so it gets crowded there quickly. It would be nice to have another location in PSL or if a few. Courts were added to existing parks! I am happy for the lights provided there, since the time change it allows us to have fun through the night.

Walking trails in nature is extremely important to my family, being in the natural landscape of Florida is beautiful and unique and is a point for me to bring visitors to go and see.

- The new Paseo Park at Riverland has 3 dog park areas. That's too many. One of them should be turned into a playground.
- The old Sinners/Club Med gold course needs to be preserved for a park, trails, or golf course.
- The park/natural area by Cambridge rd needs a side walk to allow children and bikers to commute between Westmoreland rd and Morningside. Would be great if kept as a natural area as much as possible.
- The parks and recreation in Port Saint Lucie should now just be called "Parks". This is because there are virtually no recreation class opportunities other than gyms and athletics. There are no classes available for youth arts or dance. There are no classes available for adult arts or interest. There are no classes for teen arts. The city is lacking a strong recreation department. In the past the department was growing strong. There were dance classes, monthly princess party, super hero party, spring bounce house and petting zoo event, as well as various smaller family events. The city does offer many large events but the day to day recreation classes are lacking and have declined. I'm not sure if the outside instructors are being turned away or if the city does not make it possible for outside instructors to provide affordable classes. Something needs to change and effort put in to classes and programs needs to be a priority. Also, the listed classes and online sign up do not correlate. Almost none of the classes are available to actually sign up for online.
In addition, our community is in desperate need of an Aquatics Center. Yes, we have a city community pool north and several pools further north run by the county but nothing in the south end of the city. This area is neglected and the community has no opportunity for a swim lessons, classes, or swim teams. Building another community pool is a must. Children and adults need the opportunity to learn how to swim. It is very sad when area deaths are reported due to drowning. I can't help but speculate that it is because there was limited opportunity in Port Saint Lucie to learn how to swim. Please consider allocating funding to build an adequate Community Aquatics Center.
- The region has a lot of expensive golf courses , needs definitely a public golf course and driving range west of the city.
The same for tennis courts.
Need to be in a Regional park by Tradition .
- There are plenty outdoor activities which are nearly unusable in the summer heat.
- There is a golf course off the Westmoreland, Sinners not being used. Develop walking/bicycle trails area for - dog park, picnic tables, and maybe fitness area, all along the walkway.
- THINGS ARE LOOKING GOOD IN PSL. I SEE THINGS IMPROVING SO ADDING MORE AND FIXING MORE IS GREAT. NO DESTROYING NATURE FOR RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT
- Too many parks. Rezone smaller parks for tiny house living. We all have yards.
- Tradition
- Tradition area, east of I95 . The areas that are not gated.
- Tradition del Webb village park way

- Turtle Run Park needs proper lighting and upgraded parking asphalt.
- Waiting for riverwalk to connect under the bridge and for the hiking trails to be completed miss having access to the botanical gardens, to walk after work now that the gates are up I can't enjoy the Gardens until the weekend
- We are desperate for an indoor play area for the very hot summer months! We wouldn't also love and benefit from an aquatic area and public pools open year round!
- We are excited to see the improvements to Pioneer Park.
- We are fortunate that we have so many parks. We need to improve facilities and awareness of what we have. Get messages out.
- We are paying some of the highest property taxes , west of I 95 is not receiving our money's worth.
- We have a lot of parks, but they are no fun and people don't ever know about them. The city is too big but needs something to attract all ages and parking spaces as a problem.
- We need a bike path along St. Lucia Blvd.
- We need a major mountain bike and unpaved trail facility - look to Halpatiokee park as an example.
- We need bigger rooms for fitness classes
- We need more attention to parks, few attractions. Few options available.
- We need more parks that meet the needs of older teens and young adults. BMX, Skateboard, etc.
- We need more shade and coverings at parks
- We need more splash pads for the kids & covered play areas.
- We need to preserve the land that is undeveloped, I do not want to see Port St. Lucie as a concrete city
- We only use facilities when grandchildren visit and we find them in most cases very nice. As for myself, I keep busy without using established recreation, facilities.
- We really need something for the teens. There's nothing for them and it is so sad. Also, daytime hours for events for homeschool students, especially those with special needs that benefit from a smaller, more controlled space.
- We were told there would be updates to OL Peacock park at least a year ago and nothing has happened nor has any additional information been shared.
- West County
- West PSL Becker and tradition
- West PSL should be most concerning area to develop
- Westmoreland north of PSC Blvd.
- When building out west by Range Line and Glades, please preserve some nice nature trails and wetlands, maybe add a boardwalk (think Green Cay Wetlands in Boynton Beach or Grassy Water in West Palm). PLEASE don't just allow developers to make these CDD/HOA communities - we want really land of our own with trees.
- When I bought my home in 1999, I was told the corner of Undallo and North Quick was supposed to be a park. Our neighborhood is now full and ready for this park.
- why do we need more parks?
- Would be nice to have a couple of indoor pools in different areas of the city with extended hours.
- You can't improve any of these things with \$100

Q23. Please share any ideas that you may have for programs/facilities that may not have been mentioned on this survey.

- A PARK WAS DESIGNED/PLANNED FOR NEAR BECKER RD AND PORT SAINT LUCIE BLVD. WHERE IS IT AT? THE CITY SPENT MILLIONS ON THE PLAN
- A place to go just to get out and relax, walk, a place to sit, enjoy a book or have a picnic.
- A place to swim that's open a lot more hours!
- A skating rink would be great.
- Add create mountain bike trails
- Adult art/craft workshops offered various day and with night hours
- Adult leagues
- Adventure park, amphitheater
- After school programs for adults that teach skills such as computer lessons, arts and crafts, swim lessons.
- All facilities should have restrooms.
- Always wanted to learn pickleball. Weightlifting for seniors needed. I heard of a class called Fluid running?
- Anything autism friendly- sensory hours a must
- Archery, photography, stained glass, yoga, chair fitness, smudge sticks, rain barrel classes, gardening classes, painting classes, candle making, pottery, culinary classes, card games, stem for teens, robotics for teens, D&D groups, Lego for teens, book club, fairy garden classes, glass blowing facilities, birding identification classes, nature walks, nature identification classes, nature photography classes all for adults & teens
- Art center and performing art theater
- As mentioned above, acquire and preserve the old Sinners/Club Med golf course for a park or trails. It would greatly improve the neighborhood and residents already use the old cart path for walking, running, and biking, but it is becoming very run down and unsafe.
- At the Saints golf course keep summer rates all year for people residing in the city. Also, this would allow golfers to golf in the good months saving an additional \$35 on green fees.
- Better Promotion of park locations, available classes/courses, current events, etc.
- Bird blinds, structure for sea bird nesting, and programs for seniors to get involved.
- Building new facilities is great, but they then require proper funding for maintenance and daily cleaning.
- Children after school fitness program
- Classes for adults, cooking, baking, sports, training
- Classes for seniors. teaching skills like purchasing, saving money, health, exercise, entertainment
- Crafting classes for adults in the evening for working people.
- Crafts/art classes for school age kids
- Homeschool sports facility/programs
- Cut costs. Taxes are too high
- cycling classes and community
- Develop the walking path along Green River Parkway
- Develop city center with shops and cafes and no cars a walking and gathering place for residents
- Encourage fishing at county parks
- Entertainment for elders and not expensive

- Event Ideas:
 - Gingerbread House family workshop
 - Pumpkin Decorating family events
 - Ornament Making Event
 - BINGO event teens and adult
 - Senior dinning event
 - Native American Seminole Tribe Even:
 - Could include food, vendors, educational displays, demonstrations, and dancers
 - Home for the Holidays Pet adoption Event
 - Craft show
 - Chess tournament
 - Puppet Show
 - Senior Tea Party
 - Mother Daughter Tea Party
 - Father's Day BBQ
 - Movies in the Park
 - Polynesian Dancers show
 - Mexican Dancers show
 - Pie baking contest
 - Cooking demonstration
 - Cornhole Tournament
 - Candy Cane Hunt
 - Science show demonstration
 - Youth socials
 - Magic Show Family Event
 - Painting party
 - Kites in the Park(bring your own kite)
 - Family Picnic in the Park:
 - Offer outdoor games like cornhole, bubble station, Frisbee, water balloons, Tug a war, hulahoop competition, beach balls, Families bring there own picnics food, blanket, and seating, use pavilions for stations. Kona ice could come out.
- CLASS AND PROGRAM IDEAS:
 - Stained Glass class
 - Paper Mache class
 - Cooking Camps for Kids, Teens, and Adults
 - Drawing for Kids
 - Cookie Decorating Class
 - Cake Decorating Class
 - Meditation Group Teen and Adult 13+
 - Cricut Machine class
 - Dance classes for Kids, Teens and Adults
 - Ballet, Tap, Salsa, Line Dancing, Ballroom dancing, Swing.
 - Art classes for Kids, Teens, and Adults
 - Watercolor, Acrylic Painting, Drawing
 - Ceramics Class
 - Dog obedience Class at dog park
 - Senior Game group (scrabble, dominoes...)
 - Needle Felt Art Class
 - Soap Making Class

- Introduction to Knitting
- Holiday Caroling Group (show case at Event Center)
- Introduction to Embroidery
- Youth acting classes (age 8 -17)
- Youth Public Speaking classes (age 8-17)
- Youth Cotillion class (11-17)
- Mosaic class age 15+
- Calligraphy age 15+
- Floral arranging Class
- Card Making
- Kids Science Experiments classes: slime making, volcano...
- Poetry group
- Babysitting Course
- CPR/First Aid course
- Parent Child Yoga
- Teen Yoga
- Photography class Teen and up
- Chess group Teen / Adult
- Senior Poker Club
- Nutrition Classes
- Finance Classes
- Foreign Language classes
- After school Homework Help

Previous offered Art classes were too expensive and unsuccessful, please make classes affordable so they can be successful and enjoyed by the community.

I hope these suggestions can spark some new ideas. Looking forward to the improved Recreation Department.

- Free classes in finance, parenting, practical topics of study
- Get as much land as you can for parks to keep up with all the families moving here.
- GI Gong classes, Bridge lessons, arts and crafts groups. Mileage or distance markers would be nice on the walking paths.
- I BELIEVE GETTING THE INFORMATION TO/FOR THE PUBLIC IS MOST IMPORTANT. I DIDNT KNOW PSL HAD ALL THESE PARKS. MORE ADS, MORE FLYERS, MORE INFO
- I believe you (if I'm not mistaken) the city of Port St Lucie has an outdoor pool somewhere that offers adult swimming and an adult swimming team, yet I think it only operates during summer months. For colder states that would be completely understandable, yet I feel here, this far south, those operation times could be more flexible given how amazing the weather is in Spring and after Hurricane Season.

- I'm having a hard time trusting the city of Port St. Lucie to spend money wisely. I've watched them take down perfectly good stop signs and put up fancy and ornate ones that had to have cost a lot more money. I've also watched the city spend massive amounts of money on what is considered art without any regard for how somebody within the community had to work very hard to earn the money to pay the taxes that the city of Port St. Lucie charges. In my mind I think the city of Port St. Lucie has gotten a little careless with spending tax money and I would rather see the tax rates go down and the property taxes go down before I see a lot of money being spent for purchasing land and doing upgrades on existing Parks. How about we trim the budget and evaluate how our money is being spent? Better yet, how about a community member panel that audits purchases before they're made? The city lost a lot of my trust when they tried to divide my neighborhood in half to block traffic that goes by a brand new park. I found that very alarming. Luckily, the community banded together and was able to have that stopped. But the simple fact that the city attempted it was very alarming to me. I suspect that you have found yourself with extra tax income. And now you're looking for a justification to spend it instead of refunding it back to the taxpayers. I think it's pretty obvious which one I would suggest.
- In addition too the large events, smaller more frequent events should also be planned. Examples like a puppet show, a magician, or a cooking demonstration would bring the community together.
- Inclusive programs for special needs kids
Low numbers for youth programs
More adult classes after 6pm
- increase evening athletic programs to recreation/community center
- Indoor pool with adult only hours
- Indoor swimming all year long
- Install cameras, hire more good people to take care of all the wonderful parks we have now
- It would be nice to have an ice-skating rink
- It's hard to say, but I'm a millennial, and it's very hard to meet people my own age or forge new friendships. Events that bring like minded people together would be helpful.
- Kid programs
- Learning center at golf course.
- Live music and a place for murals
- Love all the parks the City has proud to have all the areas we do. I love the community center gym and humana fitness centers but since you cut the hours I can't make it there for a long enough workout after work
- LOVE THE BOTANICAL GARDENS AND WALKWAY ALONG RIVER. I FIND THE WEBSITE DIFFICULT TO NAVIGATE. THERES PROBABLY NUMEROUS OFFERINGS AVAILABLE-I JUST CANT FIND THEM AND/OR DONT KNOW ABOUT THEM
- Maybe some paddle tennis courts
- Monthly Ciclovías

- More activities offered for opportunities to learn about PSL, FL, nature, and local history. Museums, nature center, river education center.
Currently there is no way for residents who don't own boats to access the river and be on the river. There is only one private group that does river boat rides, The river park marina. They are too expensive for what they offer. An education center along the river where kids can learn the importance of the river and the species and animals they need to preserve would be great! The river walk area park will be underutilized. Not sure why such an elaborate park was created there. Could have been more useful to build this sort of education center/museum. Or to have a smaller park and kept the green space to offer more picnic area.
Culturally, the kinds of communities that live in PSL are all family centered. Punic areas, area to have BBQ and cookouts, and trails to walk are more useful than elaborate kid parks.
I'm general, the parks are great but they are catered toward young children. Not much for adults in the city.
Sidewalks are great but there needs to be more ways we can use them bc walking them is not possible as everything is so far. So perhaps offering public bikes or scooters that people can use to get to places would be good.
- More affordable teen programs that are open until 8 p.m. during the week and on the weekend.
- More after school activity's/programs for kids all of the currant programs fill up so fast.
- more biking trails, more trails paved in shade. Upgrade Kiwanis.
- More blocks of time for walk-in access to programs
- More cultural programs for artists, writers, painters, DIY, etc., that could celebrate with Parks and Recreation and use current locations.
- More Disc Golf please!!!!!! Its a great sport for all ages. Build parks like Halpatiokee Regional Park in Stuart. For the kids playgrounds don't have so many spinning things like you did with the revamps of a few parks. Kids spinning themselves till their sick. Have more obstacles, challenges etc. Have some for older kids because you know they are going to use the little kids one if you don't.
- MORE FALL/WINTER EVENTS
- More land for wildlife conservation. Too many homes being built no land for the animals and nature.
- More parking
- More shaded areas at parks/playgrounds
- More shady trees for our parks :) and benches or little sitting areas. Many of the newer parks have these sitting areas but some of the older parks don't have many
Areas to be able reserve for a bonfire? Like a fire pit During the months that it becomes cold out. I have seen at the beach there are grates in the ground and they are unlocked when reserved.
Thanks for all your consideration and all your fine work in making our city beautiful, fun and enjoyable :) it is truly appreciated!
- Need more fields so many baseball fields and not enough soccer fields
- Need more shaded areas (both seating and the playgrounds covered) and more seating for parents/adults supervising children at parks
- Need to keep more natural areas, trees and forestation! Would love to see a wet land area similar to Green Cay and Wakodahatchee in Boynton Beach, and Viera up north.
- new parks near Gatlin/Import Dr. Outdoor pools
- New to the area
- New to the area
- Not enough evening classes. Parking is a problem, especially with overbooking.
- Organized hikes of nature trails or woodland trails.
- Organized Pickleball play. I'd volunteer
- Outdoor music venue, with variety of acts for various music tastes

- Outdoor pools. We don't have a beach other than the one that's 30 minutes away. Ravenwood pool is in my area, but I never used it because it has crazy hours of operation. You have to leave across the road to visit.
- Pickleball classes and facilities
- Pickleball courts and indoor adult basketball leagues would be good.
- Please protect the existing green spaces (like the former Sinners golf course). Selling to Developers, that only provide minimum public benefit with their overblown projects, will ruin PSL and the Sandpiper Bay region.
Just one example.
- Please put up shade awnings at pioneer park. It's so beautiful but is useless without shade or anything to help with this Florida sun. Also the area where kids are suppose to play in the water is also not big enough. You have this useless area where the water is streaming from but it's so small and honestly a bacteria pool. Jessica Clinton is nice and recently updated but the park is so far from the picnic tables. Having picnic tables so parents can view their kids playing is important.
- Please see comments in 18/17 section
- Preserve for all of the wildlife living in the Southern Grove for all residents to enjoy land in the middle of the state of Florida.
- Programs for senior low impact chair exercises
- Proper communication between staff regarding use of park and botanical garden.
- PROVIDE MORE SECURITY AT FACILITIES
- Remember the weather. Shade and water been here 40 years. The city is fantastic and the great effort shows up with great results.
- Riverland is a retirement community. Why would you add a bunch of youth fields here!? And provide no parking. Who plans this stuff?
- Roller Skating field
- Rotary park unfortunately has had homeless people staying there at night who don't clean up after themselves and broke the restrooms a few months back. Other than that there are a few days we have to clean up during the month, we love the park!
- Safe way for me to ride my bike from Crosstown to Green River pkwy
- Senior day events on one day, youth day events on one day.
- Senior transportation low cost
- Shooting range; sporting clay facility; trap fields; skeet fields; walking parks with shade trees.
- Some activities on Indian River and St Lucie River
- STOP THE DEVELOPING PSL IS FULL All at the expense of the wildlife
- Swim team and aquatic center
- Swimming league
- Teen Center that focuses on programming to support Teen mental wellness and physical health. Not just a drop-in rec center.
- Teen fun activities, such as weekend dances
Teens need to have productive and entertaining activities
- The City should first build sidewalks or bike lines on busy streets (example Cambridge Dr), so residents can walk to park facilities.
- The City should revamp the recognized user program. There should be allocated funds to help support established leagues. These leagues provide a service that would otherwise be on the City to provide. This should become a priority for the City.
- The outdoor pools would be wonderful

- The small dog park at mc Chesney needs serious attention to the maintenance gates. They are bent up at ground level and my dogs as well as other people's have more then once escaped thru the gaps between the double gates most likely caused by workers hitting with equipment while doing Maintenance. Needs to be more secure due to small size of dogs in that section.
- The splash pads for kids is a must, dog parks in the Whispering Pines area and more lights on the streets is so much important, turf soccer field is a must.
- There is a difference between public art and art that the public has made. The easiest way to ensure that the public feels ownership and therefore pride in its city is to integrate the average person in emotional ways. Something like a public graffiti wall (skatepark/nature preserves) where people perhaps submit an ID and sign a waiver and 5 artists can share each month. For an indoor program, have a collaborative newsletter, where instead of employees reporting on city/county items, let the community submit art/poetry/local reviews. Have an "I went here for the first time" column. Let it be managed by volunteers and feature a city employee of the month.
- Tiny house living in RV parks with benefits St. Lucia county. Develop a bicycle trail around the city.
- Toddler classes / programs
- walking trails in shaded areas
- We love the River Nights music offerings and the progress at the new Port District. Well done!
- We need a real theater. We always have to rent Lyric or Sunrise
- We need volunteer programs for litter pickup and more enforcement of illegal parking on sidewalks on Becker road preventing pedestrians from walking.
- Weight loss classes
- Why does everything have to be a program? What is wrong with just plain open space to do somersaults and rolling in the grass or laying on a blanket watching the clouds. Plus there are few things to appeal to seniors like arts and crafts or casual social gatherings with prices suited to fixed incomes
- Would like to see more art programs. Maybe community-made art can be incorporated into the park areas. Sun shades and spray fans at all park locations please.
- Year round pool for lessons
- You don't need a lot of room to skateboard. I know it's a bit of a legal nightmare, but having multiple small places that are out of the way for skaters to utilize is prefect. You don't need one giant facility. Just a handful of 1500sqft lots with several features will attract more kids, adults, and families to the locations.

People also need a place to be able to practice baseball outside of games. A child in little league is fine, but teens and adults struggle to gain access to city facilities in order to stay active and perfect their game. Well too often I see batting cages locked for large chunks of the day with no access available. Having a way to access cages and even a public use adult sized field would do wonders for morale and public opinion on PSLPRD. I know you can't just let anyone onto the ball fields to tear them up, but one field with access would be great, and it's not like our fields are being maintained well as it is. One could argue they are dangerous conditions at times.

Also, there seems to be hundreds of acres of park land near Bay St. Lucie that would house an 18-hole disc golf course perfectly. A full coursww would eat up 20% of that land at the most, and the environmental impact is incredibly low compared to most outdoor activities.

Q24. Counting yourself, how many people in your household are...

	Mean	Sum
number	3.0	1166
Under age 5	0.2	68
Ages 5-9	0.2	86
Ages 10-14	0.2	85
Ages 15-19	0.2	68
Ages 20-24	0.1	51
Ages 25-34	0.4	151
Ages 35-44	0.4	165
Ages 45-54	0.4	140
Ages 55-64	0.4	171
Ages 65-74	0.2	94
Ages 75+	0.2	87

Q25. What is your age?

Q25. Your age	Number	Percent
18-34	74	18.2 %
35-44	75	18.5 %
45-54	77	19.0 %
55-64	83	20.4 %
65+	86	21.2 %
Not provided	11	2.7 %
Total	406	100.0 %

WITHOUT NOT PROVIDED**Q25. What is your age? (without "not provided")**

Q25. Your age	Number	Percent
18-34	74	18.7 %
35-44	75	19.0 %
45-54	77	19.5 %
55-64	83	21.0 %
65+	86	21.8 %
Total	395	100.0 %

Q26. Do you own or rent your home?

Q26. Do you own or rent your home	Number	Percent
Own	369	90.9 %
Rent	33	8.1 %
Not provided	4	1.0 %
Total	406	100.0 %

WITHOUT NOT PROVIDED**Q26. Do you own or rent your home? (without "not provided")**

Q26. Do you own or rent your home	Number	Percent
Own	369	91.8 %
Rent	33	8.2 %
Total	402	100.0 %

Q27. Which of the following best describes your household's total annual income?

Q27. Your household's total annual income	Number	Percent
Under \$30K	34	8.4 %
\$30K-\$59,999	58	14.3 %
\$60K-\$99,999	109	26.8 %
\$100K-\$149,999	84	20.7 %
\$150K-\$199,999	42	10.3 %
\$200K+	16	3.9 %
Not provided	63	15.5 %
Total	406	100.0 %

WITHOUT NOT PROVIDED**Q27. Which of the following best describes your household's total annual income? (without "not provided")**

Q27. Your household's total annual income	Number	Percent
Under \$30K	34	9.9 %
\$30K-\$59,999	58	16.9 %
\$60K-\$99,999	109	31.8 %
\$100K-\$149,999	84	24.5 %
\$150K-\$199,999	42	12.2 %
\$200K+	16	4.7 %
Total	343	100.0 %



Survey Instrument



Parks & Recreation Department

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Dear City of Port St. Lucie Resident:

Your response to the enclosed survey is extremely important....

The City of Port St. Lucie is embarking on a Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update that will guide the future of parks and recreation services in our community over the next 10 years. Public input is crucial to the plan's development. In addition to public workshops, focus groups and citizen interviews, the City of Port St. Lucie is also conducting a Community Interest and Opinion Survey to better understand our residents' priorities for parks, trails, and sports facilities as well as recreational, social and cultural programs and services within the community. Your **household** is one of the limited number, selected at random, to receive this survey, **so we hope that you will be able to participate.**

We appreciate your time...

We realize that this survey will take approximately 10-15 minutes to complete, but each question is important. The time you invest in completing this survey will aid the City of Port St. Lucie in making decisions that will enrich the future of our community and positively affect the lives of our residents.

Please complete and return your survey within the next two weeks...

We have selected ETC Institute, an independent consulting company, as our partner to administer this survey. They will compile the data received and present the results to the City of Port St. Lucie. **Your responses will remain confidential.** Please return your completed survey in the enclosed, postage-paid envelope addressed to: ETC Institute, 725 W. Frontier Circle, Olathe, KS 66061. **If you would prefer to take the survey online, please visit: PortStLucieSurvey.org**

The Community Interest and Opinion Survey is a tool that will benefit all residents. Please take this opportunity to let your voice be heard!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Bobby Chenier, Project Manager, at (772) 807- 4403, or by email at rchenier@cityofpsl.com.

Sincerely,

Brad Keen, CPRP
Acting Director
Port St. Lucie Parks & Recreation Department

Enclosure (Community Interest and Opinion Survey)

2024 Port St. Lucie Community Interest and Opinion Survey

Let your voice be heard today!

The City of Port St. Lucie Parks and Recreation Department would like your input to help determine parks and recreation priorities for our community. This survey will take 10-15 minutes to complete. When you are finished, please return your survey in the enclosed postage-paid, return-reply envelope or fill it out online at PortStLucieSurvey.org. We greatly appreciate your time!



1. Please CHECK ALL of the following parks operated by the City of Port St. Lucie Parks and Recreation Department (PSLPRD) that you or members of your household have visited during the past year.

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|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> (01) Apache Park | <input type="checkbox"/> (19) Mariposa Cane Slough Preserve | <input type="checkbox"/> (35) Sandpiper Bay Park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (02) Botanical Gardens | <input type="checkbox"/> (20) Mary Ann Cernuto Park | <input type="checkbox"/> (36) Sportsman's Park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (03) C-24 Canal Park | <input type="checkbox"/> (21) McCarty Ranch Preserve | <input type="checkbox"/> (37) Sportsman's Park West |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (04) Charles E. Ray Park | <input type="checkbox"/> (22) McChesney Park | <input type="checkbox"/> (38) Swan Park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (05) Community Center | <input type="checkbox"/> (23) Midport Lake | <input type="checkbox"/> (39) Tom Hooper Family Park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (06) Deacon Street Transit Station | <input type="checkbox"/> (24) Minsky Gym | <input type="checkbox"/> (40) Treasure Coast Model Railroad Club |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (07) Doat Street Park | <input type="checkbox"/> (25) O.L. Peacock Sr. Park/Lake | <input type="checkbox"/> (41) Turtle Run Park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (08) Event Center-Recreation and Fitness | <input type="checkbox"/> (26) Oak Hammock | <input type="checkbox"/> (42) U.S. Submarine Veterans Park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (09) Fred Cook Park | <input type="checkbox"/> (27) Pioneer Park at The Port | <input type="checkbox"/> (43) Veterans Memorial Park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (10) Girl Scout Friendship Park | <input type="checkbox"/> (28) Port St. Lucie Elks Lodge/Friendship Park | <input type="checkbox"/> (44) Veterans Park at Rivergate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (11) Gulf Stream Park | <input type="checkbox"/> (29) Ravenswood Racquetball Club | <input type="checkbox"/> (45) Whispering Pines Park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (12) Harborview Park | <input type="checkbox"/> (30) Riverland Paseo Park | <input type="checkbox"/> (46) Whitmore Park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (13) Ian T. Zook Park | <input type="checkbox"/> (31) River Place Park | <input type="checkbox"/> (47) Wilderness Park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (14) Jaycee Park | <input type="checkbox"/> (32) Rotary Park | <input type="checkbox"/> (48) Winterlakes Park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (15) Jessica Clinton Park | <input type="checkbox"/> (33) Saints at Port St. Lucie Golf Course | <input type="checkbox"/> (49) Woodland Trails Neighborhood Park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (16) Kiwanis Park | <input type="checkbox"/> (34) Sandhill Crane Park | <input type="checkbox"/> (50) Woodstork Trail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (17) Loyalty Park | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (18) Lyngate Park and Dog Park | | |

2. Which TWO of the parks from the list in Question 1 does your household use MOST OFTEN?
[Write in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 1, or circle "NONE."]

1st: _____ 2nd: _____ NONE

3. On average, how often do you or members of your household visit parks operated by the PSLPRD?

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|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> (1) Almost daily | <input type="checkbox"/> (3) A few times per month | <input type="checkbox"/> (5) Seldom or never |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (2) At least once per week | <input type="checkbox"/> (4) A few times per year | |

4. Overall, how satisfied are you with the parks provided by the PSLPRD?

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|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> (5) Very satisfied | <input type="checkbox"/> (3) Neutral | <input type="checkbox"/> (1) Very dissatisfied |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (4) Satisfied | <input type="checkbox"/> (2) Dissatisfied | <input type="checkbox"/> (9) Don't know |

5. How important is it for you and members of your household to have a small park within walking distance of your home?

- | | | | |
|---|---|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> (3) Very important | <input type="checkbox"/> (2) Somewhat important | <input type="checkbox"/> (1) Not Important | <input type="checkbox"/> (9) Not Sure |
|---|---|--|---------------------------------------|

6. What is your primary source of information for PSLPRD-related events and programs?

- ☐ (1) PSLPRD's Leisure Time brochure ☐ (4) Information from schools ☐ (7) PSL TV 20
☐ (2) City of PSL website ☐ (5) Flyers ☐ (8) Other: _____
☐ (3) City of PSL Facebook page ☐ (6) Word of mouth

7. Please CHECK ALL of the following programs offered in the City of Port St. Lucie that you or members of your household have participated in during the past FIVE years.

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> (01) PSLPRD's youth baseball leagues | <input type="checkbox"/> (12) PSLPRD's golf member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (02) PSLPRD's youth football and/or cheerleading leagues | <input type="checkbox"/> (13) PSLPRD's golf instruction or leagues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (03) PSLPRD's youth soccer leagues | <input type="checkbox"/> (14) PSLPRD's recreation programs, e.g. Karate, baton, dance classes (Country Line and Zumba), Glow Pickleball, Rock Steady Boxing, PWR |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (04) PSLPRD's youth and adult tennis instruction | <input type="checkbox"/> (15) PSLPRD's Senior Programs, e.g. Mah Jongg, senior social, social bridge, senior dance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (05) PSLPRD's youth junior basketball league | <input type="checkbox"/> (16) PSLPRD's martial arts programs, e.g. Karate, Judo Academy, Kung Fu, and Tai Chi. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (06) PSLPRD's adult softball league | <input type="checkbox"/> (17) PSLPRD's youth recreation programs, e.g. parent tot time, toddler drop-off, Wild Wacky Wednesday, Learn 2 Sports, basketball mini camps, volleyball mini camps, Music & Motion, Great Kids, wrestling, football camp, 3D printing, homeschool PE, Esports and Geocaching |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (07) PSLPRD's senior softball league | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (08) PSLPRD's summer, spring, kids' day out and holiday camps | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (09) PSLPRD's adult volleyball | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (10) PSLPRD's adult pickleball | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (11) PSLPRD's fitness centers and/or fitness classes | |

8. Overall, how satisfied are you with programs offered by the PSLPRD?

- ☐ (5) Very satisfied ☐ (3) Neutral ☐ (1) Very dissatisfied
☐ (4) Satisfied ☐ (2) Dissatisfied ☐ (9) Don't know

9. Please CHECK ALL of the following organizations you or members of your household have used for recreation programs and facilities.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> (1) St. Lucie County | <input type="checkbox"/> (5) Non-profit organizations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (2) Private clubs/fitness centers | <input type="checkbox"/> (6) Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (3) Local schools/colleges/universities | <input type="checkbox"/> (7) None of these |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (4) Churches or other religious organizations | |

10. Please CHECK ALL of the following facilities you or members of your household currently utilize.

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|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> (1) Treasure Coast of the YMCA | <input type="checkbox"/> (3) L.A. Fitness | <input type="checkbox"/> (5) Planet Fitness |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (2) Boys and Girls Clubs of St. Lucie County | <input type="checkbox"/> (4) Anytime Fitness | |

11. Please CHECK ALL of the following factors that prevent you or your household from using PSLPRD Parks and Recreation programs more frequently.

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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> (01) Program or facility not offered | <input type="checkbox"/> (07) Insufficient staffing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (02) Lack of quality programs | <input type="checkbox"/> (08) Poor customer service |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (03) Program times/facility hours not convenient | <input type="checkbox"/> (09) Fees are too high |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (04) Use of non-PSLPRD facilities | <input type="checkbox"/> (10) Lack of transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (05) Not interested/too busy | <input type="checkbox"/> (11) Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (06) Don't know what is offered/available | <input type="checkbox"/> (12) Nothing |

- 12. Please rate your level of agreement with the following statements using a scale of 1 to 4, where 4 means "Strongly Agree" and 1 means "Strongly Disagree."**

		Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't Know
1.	PSL Parks enhance the quality of life for residents in the community	4	3	2	1	9
2.	PSL Parks increase property values in the community	4	3	2	1	9
3.	It is important to connect parks and public green spaces through a system of trails and pathways	4	3	2	1	9

- 13. From the following list of Parks and Recreation programs, please indicate whether you or any member of your household has a need for this program by circling either "Yes" or "No." If "Yes," please indicate how well your needs are being met using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "100% met" and 1 means "0% met."**

Type of Program	Do you have a need for this program?		If "Yes," how well are your needs being met?				
			100% Met	75% Met	50% Met	25% Met	0% Met
01. Before and after school programs	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
02. Youth summer camps	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
03. Youth sports programs	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
04. Youth fitness and wellness programs	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
05. Martial Arts programs	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
06. Adult fitness/wellness	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
07. Youth art/dance/performing arts classes	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
08. Adult sports programs	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
09. Senior programs	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
10. Programs for mentally/physically challenged	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
11. Teens programs	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
12. Nature programs	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
13. Circuit exercise programs	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
14. Other: _____	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1

- 14. Which FOUR of the programs from the list in Question 13 are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household? [Write in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 13, or circle "NONE."]**

1st: _____ 2nd: _____ 3rd: _____ 4th: _____ NONE

- 15. Which FOUR of the programs from the list in Question 13 would you and members of your household USE MOST if they were developed by PSLPRD? [Write in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 13, or circle "NONE."]**

1st: _____ 2nd: _____ 3rd: _____ 4th: _____ NONE

- 16. From the following list of Parks and Recreation facilities, please indicate whether you or any member of your household has a need for this facility by circling either "Yes" or "No." If "Yes," please indicate how well your needs are being met using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "100% met" and 1 means "0% met."**

Type of Facility	Do you have a need for this facility?		If "Yes," how well are your needs being met?				
	Yes	No	100% Met	75% Met	50% Met	25% Met	0% Met
01. Baseball/Softball fields	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
02. Dog parks	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
03. Walking and hiking trails	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
04. Paved bike trails	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
05. Natural areas/nature parks	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
06. Spraygrounds/Splash pads	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
07. Indoor gymnasium/game courts	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
08. Children's indoor play area	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
09. Children's playgrounds	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
10. Picnic shelters/picnic areas	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
11. Skateboarding area	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
12. Disc Golf course	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
13. Outdoor pool/aquatics	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
14. Pickleball courts	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
15. Community garden	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
16. Community recreation center	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
17. Outdoor stage/amphitheater	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
18. Tennis courts	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
19. Outdoor basketball courts	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
20. Rental for banquets/reception/private parties	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
21. Football fields	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
22. Soccer fields	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
23. Volleyball courts	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
24. Multi-Purpose fields	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
25. Outdoor exercise stations	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
26. Indoor pool	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
27. Senior center	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
28. Golf course	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
29. Fitness center/spa	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
30. Other: _____	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1

- 17. Which FOUR of the facilities from the list in Question 16 are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household? [Write in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 16, or circle "NONE."]**

1st: _____ 2nd: _____ 3rd: _____ 4th: _____ NONE

- 18. Please indicate how supportive you would be of each of the following actions the City of Port St. Lucie could take to improve the Parks and Recreation system using a scale of 1 to 3, where 3 means "Very Supportive" and 1 means "Not Supportive."**

		Very Supportive	Somewhat Supportive	Not Supportive	Not Sure
01.	Acquiring land for developing parks	3	2	1	9
02.	Acquiring land for developing sports/athletic fields and courts	3	2	1	9
03.	Acquiring land for developing sports complexes for travel leagues, regional/national competitions that attract tourism	3	2	1	9
04.	Acquiring land to preserve greenspace, tree canopy, and provide access to natural areas	3	2	1	9
05.	Acquiring land to develop more greenways and trails	3	2	1	9
06.	Completely redesigning and renovating existing parks to meet resident needs and priorities	3	2	1	9
07.	Developing a Teen Center	3	2	1	9
08.	Developing an Indoor Pool/Aquatics Center	3	2	1	9
09.	Developing new greenways trails, high quality bicycle facilities and shaded sidewalks that enhance connectivity	3	2	1	9
10.	Developing new parks and recreation facilities to meet resident needs and priorities	3	2	1	9
11.	Expanding park resources to improve facility maintenance	3	2	1	9
12.	Expanding recreation and staff resources to offer more programs	3	2	1	9
13.	Increasing funding for improving, renovating, and expanding existing parks and recreation facilities	3	2	1	9
14.	Offering more programs and special events that bring families together	3	2	1	9
15.	Renovating and making improvements to existing parks and recreation facilities	3	2	1	9
16.	Providing additional parking in parks	3	2	1	9
17.	Other: _____	3	2	1	9

- 19. Which FOUR of the actions from the list in Question 18 are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household? [Write in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 18, or circle "NONE."]**

1st: _____ 2nd: _____ 3rd: _____ 4th: _____ NONE

- 20. If you had a budget of \$100 for FACILITIES/CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS provided by the City of Port St. Lucie Parks and Recreation Department, how would you allocate the funds among the categories of funding listed below? [Please be sure your total adds up to \$100.]**

\$ _____ Development of new/additional parks facilities in existing parks

\$ _____ Development of new walking and biking facilities

\$ _____ Development of new indoor recreation centers

\$ _____ Improvements/Maintenance of existing parks and recreation facilities

\$ _____ Improvements/Maintenance of existing indoor recreation centers

\$ _____ Improvements/Maintenance of existing walking and biking facilities

\$ _____ Acquiring new park land

\$ _____ Other: _____

\$100 total

- 21. If you had a budget of \$100 for PROGRAMS AND OPERATIONS provided by the City of Port St. Lucie Parks and Recreation Department, how would you allocate the funds among the categories of funding listed below? [Please be sure your total adds up to \$100.]**

\$_____ Additional adult recreation programs and/or classes (excluding athletics)
 \$_____ Additional youth recreation programs and/or classes (excluding athletics)
 \$_____ Additional senior recreation programs and/or classes (excluding athletics)
 \$_____ Additional adult athletic program/leagues
 \$_____ Additional youth athletic program/leagues
 \$_____ Increase frequency of programs/classes and/or extended hours of programming
 \$_____ Increase staff to improve maintenance of parks and facilities
 \$_____ Other: _____

\$100 total

- 22. Please share any thoughts/ideas that you may have on specific areas within the City where more parks and recreation facilities are needed.**

- 23. Please share any ideas that you may have for programs/facilities that may not have been mentioned on this survey.**

- 24. Counting yourself, how many people in your household are...**

Under age 5: _____	Ages 15-19: _____	Ages 35-44: _____	Ages 65-74: _____
Ages 5-9: _____	Ages 20-24: _____	Ages 45-54: _____	Ages 75+: _____
Ages 10-14: _____	Ages 25-34: _____	Ages 55-64: _____	

- 25. What is your age?** _____ years

- 26. Do you own or rent your home?** _____(1) Own _____(2) Rent

- 27. Which of the following best describes your household's total annual income?**

_____(1) Under \$30,000	_____(3) \$60,000-\$99,999	_____(5) \$150,000-\$199,999
_____(2) \$30,000-\$59,999	_____(4) \$100,000-\$149,999	_____(6) \$200,000 or more

This concludes the survey. Thank you for your time!

Please return your completed survey in the enclosed return-reply envelope addressed to:
 ETC Institute, 725 W. Frontier Circle, Olathe, KS 66061

Your response will remain completely confidential.
 The address information on the sticker to the right
 will ONLY be used to help identify areas with
 special interests. Thank you.