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**HAMBURG TOWNSHIP  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA  
Hamburg Township Board Room  
Tuesday, November 22, 2022 – 3:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge to the Flag
3. Roll Call of the Board
4. Call to the Public
5. Approval of the Agenda
6. Approval of the Minutes
  - A. October 25, 2022 – Regular Meeting
7. Correspondence
  - A. Hamburg Township Museum – November Newsletter
8. Current Business
  - A. Master Plan Renewal
    1. Master Plan Draft – Public Review Period – 11/16/22 to 12/16/22
    2. December meeting date and time for recommendation for adoption – 12/20/22 at 3:00 p.m.
    3. Public Hearing & Adoption (TB Meeting) – January 3, 2023 at 2:30 p.m.
9. Old Business
  - A. Parks & Recreation Master Plan/Pending Grants/Supervisor Report**
    1. Iron Belle Trail/Lakelands Trail Projects – Supervisor Update
      - Hay Creek Bridge – Final 10% Funding being processed
      - Huron River free-span Bridge Grant – No Update
    2. 5-year Parks Master Plan – See above
    3. Bennett Park & Water Trail Access Improvements – No update on grant
  - B. Township Park Use Policy/Fee/Procedures**
    1. Park Facility Use Policy – In Progress

**C. Administrative Services**

1. Park Coordinator's Report – November 2022
2. Senior Center Report – November 2022
3. Scholarship Request
  - a. None
4. Park Use Requests
  - a. Hamburg Fun Fest – 2024, 2025, 2026 Festival Years

**D. Special Projects**

1. East Park Playground Renovation Project – Update
2. Baseball Dugout Renovation Project – Shingle Replacement – Bids Requested
3. Pickleball – Update
4. RC Truck Track Proposal – Update
5. Sledding Hill – Signage is needed

**E. Sponsorships/Volunteerism**

1. Amenities and Beautification Committee
  - A. Adopt a Garden/Memorial Bench/Tree Project – Update
2. Community Clean-up Event Date – Saturday, April 22, 2023 – 9AM-3PM

**F. Signage and Community Awareness**

1. Wayfinding Signage – Update
2. Hamburg Historical Sign in Hamburg Cemetery – Sign Ordered, Dedication Date TBD

**G. Risk Management (Insurance/ADA)**

1. ADA Compliance in Parklands – Updates in process to ADA Transition Plan for Update
10. Call to the Public
11. Committee Comments
12. Adjournment

**Next Meeting Date:**

**Parks Committee: December 20, 2022 – 3:00 p.m.**

**Public Hearing for Master Plan: January 3, 2023 – 2:30 p.m. (At regular TB meeting)**

# Pledge to the Flag



No  
Information





# Hamburg Township Parks & Recreation

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Hamburg Township  
Parks & Recreation Committee  
Regular Meeting  
Hamburg Township Hall  
Monday, October 25, 2022  
3:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order

Dolan called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

2. Pledge to the Flag

3. Roll Call of the Parks & Recreation Committee

Board Members Present: Michniewicz, Dolan, Auxier, Muck

Board Members Absent: McCabe

Also Present: Deby Henneman, Township Coordinator

4. Call to the Public

A call was made with no response.

5. Approval of the Agenda

**Motion by Dolan, supported by Auxier, to approve the agenda as presented.**

**VOICE VOTE: Ayes: 4 Absent: 1 (McCabe)**

**MOTION CARRIED**

6. Approval of the Minutes

**Motion by Auxier, supported by Michniewicz, to approve the minutes from the September 27, 2022 Regular Meeting as presented.**

**VOICE VOTE: Ayes: 4 Absent: 1 (McCabe)**

**MOTION CARRIED**

7. Correspondence

Letter of Concern re: 2022 Fun Fest Programming was received and filed.

Hamburg Historical Museum newsletter was received and filed.

8. Current Business

A. Master Plan Renewal

1. Master Plan Draft – Distribution

Henneman stated that comments and suggested edits are due to her no later than 11/2/22 in order to be incorporated into the final draft which will be presented to the Township Board at their 11/15/22 meeting.

2. Timeline Review & Next Steps

Comments on final draft – Due Date – 11/2/22  
Motion for Public Review – Township Board – 11/15/22  
Public Review Period – 11/15/22 – 12/15/22  
Recommendation of Adoption – Parks Meeting (Special) - 12/20/22  
Public Hearing and Adoption – Township Board – 1/3/23

Master Plan Renewal Deadline: 2/1/23

9. Old Business

**A. Parks & Recreation Master Plan/Pending Grants/Supervisor Report**

1. Iron Belle Trail/Lakelands Trail
  - a. Hay Creek Bridge Project – Funding Requested
  - b. Trail Maintenance Project – Complete – Awaiting Funds
  - c. Huron River free-span Bridge Project – No update
2. 5-year Master Plan Renewal – Update – Final Draft will be sent to TB for 11/15/22 meeting
3. West Park Trust Fund Grant – No update

**B. Township Park Use Policy/Fee/Procedures**

1. Park Use Policy updates – Updates pending.
2. Community Center Policy & Fee change – Updates pending.
3. Administrative Fee Schedule – Updates pending.

**C. Administrative Services**

1. Park Coordinator's Report – October 2022 – Report received and filed
2. Senior Center Report – October 2022 – Report received and filed
4. Scholarship Request – East Michigan Panthers – Fall 2022 Season

**Motion by Auxier, supported by Dolan, to approve the Every Child Shall Play Scholarship request for East Michigan Panthers as presented.**

**VOICE VOTE: Ayes: 4      Absent: 1 (McCabe)**

**MOTION CARRIED**

5. Park Use Requests – PCS Cross Country Event – 11/1/22 (approved TB 10/18/22)

Henneman stated the application and supporting documentation for the event has been provided in the packet as information only. No action is needed as the Township Board has already approved the event.

Dolan stated the issues raised at the last meeting were discussed verbally with the Cross Country coach and they understand the concerns of the committee. Public safety will be present to assist with the safety concerns, and they recommended to waive fees, which the Township Board approved.

**D. Special Projects**

1. East Park Playground Renovation Project – No updates. Dolan will advise PCS Cross Country of the planned location.
2. Baseball Dugout Renovation Project – Small repairs to shingles, weather permitting.
3. Pickleball – Ground has been prepared for Court #3.
4. RC Car/Truck Track proposal – No update.

Dolan will advise PCS Cross Country of planned location of Car/Truck track.

5. Sledding Hill (RC Field) – MMRMA Risk Consultant came out to inspect and gave guidelines. Signage will need to be ordered, and plan for icy conditions will need to be secured with Building & Grounds.

**E. Sponsorships/Volunteerism**

1. Amenities and Beautification Committee – No updates
2. Commemorative Bench & Tree Program – Benches installed at Village Trailhead. Plaque proofs ordered.

**F. Signage and Community Awareness**

1. Wayfinding Signage – Proofs and pricing has been requested.
2. Winans/Hamburg Historical Marker – Hamburg Cemetery – New Marker Coming Soon

**G. Risk Management (Insurance/ADA)**

1. ADA Compliance in Parklands - No update
2. Pedestrian Crossings along Lakelands Trail – No update

10. Call to the Public

A call was made with no response.

11. Committee Comments

No comments.

12. Adjourn Meeting

Motion by Muck, supported by Auxier, to adjourn the meeting.

**VOICE VOTE:** Ayes: 4      Absent: 1 (McCabe)

**MOTION CARRIED**

Meeting adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Debra Henneman  
Township Coordinator  
Parks, ADA, Grants, Ordinances

**Next meeting: Tuesday, November 22, 2022 – 3:00 p.m.**



## HAMBURG TOWNSHIP MUSEUM

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### VISITING HOURS

11 am-3 pm  
Weds. & Sats.

### ADMISSION

\$2 adults, \$1 children  
18 and younger,  
members free

# The Wave

*Newsletter of the Hamburg Township Historical Society • November 2022*

## Ready, Set, Bid on Dozens of Items at Our Online Auction, Nov. 11-18!

Looking for unique holiday gifts, or just want to treat yourself? Then check out the Historical Society's online auction of products, services, and experiences donated by area businesses! It's our biggest fundraiser of the year.

The auction opens November 11, but you can **preview what's in store NOW by visiting [Biddingforgood.com/hmm](https://Biddingforgood.com/hmm)**. There you'll find more than 50 items including foursomes at area golf courses, a Chain of Lakes pontoon boat tour, Frankenmuth's Bavarian Inn Lodge gift cards, a Howell Nature Center membership, Zap Zone gift certificates, and an in-home wine tasting party. **If you don't find anything you like, please consider making a donation on the site to support our efforts to preserve and present Hamburg history.**

If you have questions about bidding, please contact the museum at 810-986-0190 or [hamburgmuseummichigan@outlook.com](mailto:hamburgmuseummichigan@outlook.com). Many thanks to our auction sponsors: Bennett's Beavers, CEI Michigan LLC, Flexible Metal Inc., and Pinckney's Auto Repair Center.



*You'll have just seven days – November 11-18 – to bid on the products, services, and experiences available through the society's online auction.*

DIVE INTO YOUR HISTORY

## BRING YOUR KIDS TO ENJOY COOKIES, CRAFTS & SANTA

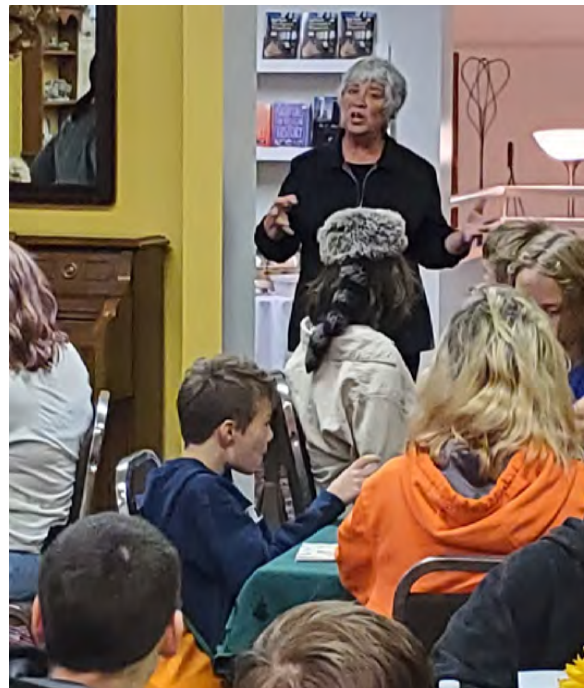
Looking for something fun to do with your kids or grandkids before the holiday rush takes over? Then visit the museum on Saturday, December 3 between 11 am-3 pm for "Cookies & Crafts with Santa."

Children will enjoy cookies while putting together a make-and-take craft. And **Santa will be on hand from noon-2 pm**; feel free to take photos of your kids with him using phones or cameras, but no professional shoots.

The cost for this event is \$5/person (which includes admission to the museum). **Please purchase tickets ahead of time through Eventbrite.com** to ensure an adequate supply of craft materials. NOTE: A limited number of tickets will be available on the day of the event on a cash-only basis.

## WHAT'S NEW?

- On Wednesday, October 12, teacher Ken Ferguson led a group of middle school students from Kensington Woods School to the museum for a tour and discussion of what was happening in the Hamburg area while Lewis and Clark were making their way across the newly acquired lands of the Louisiana Purchase (1804-06). Board member Suzanne Hines and greeter Teresa Tegels served as hosts for this enlightening event.



*Suzanne Hines explains that Hamburg Township was part of the Northwest Territory in the early 1800s.*

## WHAT'S COMING?

NOVEMBER 11-18  
**2nd Annual Online Auction**  
Visit [Biddingforgood.com](http://Biddingforgood.com)

NOVEMBER 17  
**Historical Society Annual Meeting**  
11 am

NOVEMBER 23 & 26  
**Holiday Closures**

DECEMBER 3  
**Cookies & Crafts with Santa**  
11 am-3 pm  
Tickets at [Eventbrite.com](http://Eventbrite.com)  
(The museum will be closed to the public on this day for this special event)

You're invited to attend the annual meeting of the Historical Society at the museum on Saturday, November 17 starting at 11 am! We'll discuss the results of the recent vote for new board members as well as a report on society activities to this point of the year. Refreshments will be served.

**HELP US  
PRESERVE AND  
PRESENT  
THE HISTORY  
OF HAMBURG.  
JOIN THE  
HISTORICAL  
SOCIETY!**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email address\* \_\_\_\_\_

### ANNUAL DUES

☐ Individual \$20.00 ☐ Dual \$25.00 ☐ Family \$30.00

☐ Business \$50.00 ☐ Life \$300.00 (one lifetime payment)

\*ADD \$12 to receive paper newsletters via USPS; email copies are free.

Please make your check payable to the Hamburg Township Historical Society. Mail it with this form to P.O. Box 272, Hamburg, MI 48139 or drop it off at the museum at 7225 Stone Street during visiting hours.



# PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

HAMBURG TOWNSHIP | LIVINGSTON COUNTY

2023-2028



## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

A public hearing on the Hamburg Township 2023-2028 Parks and Recreation Master Plan was held on January 3, 2023. The Parks and Recreation Master Plan was adopted by the Hamburg Township Board of Trustees on January 3, 2023.

### TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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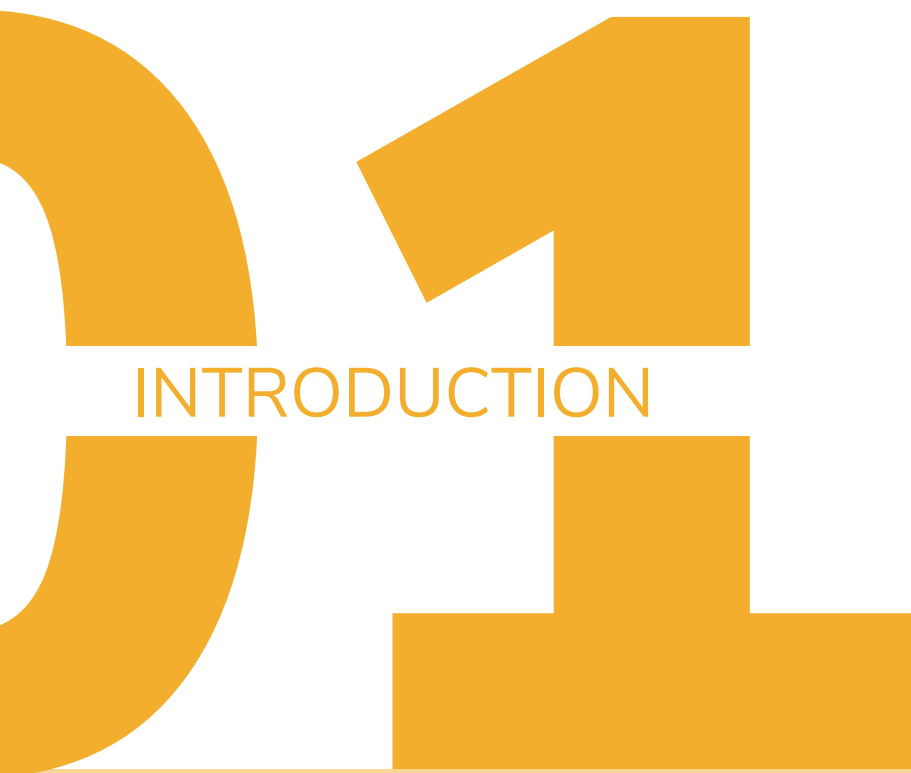
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# INTRODUCTION

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## INTRODUCTION

Hamburg Township has developed this Parks and Recreation Master Plan to serve as a guide in future decision-making regarding recreation facilities improvements and the development of new recreation opportunities over the next five years. This document is the basis for policy implementation of improvements and new initiatives that will meet the recreational goals and interests of Hamburg Township and its residents.

Before any Parks and Recreation Master Plan is adopted and enacted, it is first important to understand the needs of the current residents, existing recreational opportunities, the demographic characteristics of the area, program initiatives, and projects and facilities that are best suited for the community. This Plan was compiled from public input and suggestions from residents, officials, and other community partners with the collaboration of Spicer Group and Hamburg Township Parks and Recreation Committee. The community was a key component in creating this plan. Together, the voices of Hamburg Township have united to develop a Parks and Recreation Master Plan that will enhance community members' and visitors' experiences.

The foundation for the development of the Hamburg Township Parks and Recreation Master Plan was based on the following goals:

- Involve the community throughout the process of updating the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.
- Identify and map existing Township-owned/operated recreation facilities.
- Build common ground among the Hamburg Township residents and community partners in addressing the future recreational needs and priorities of the Township.
- Enable the Township to be eligible for financial assistance based on the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.
- Facilitate interagency collaboration in establishing parks and recreation goals, objectives, and actions in partnership with Hamburg Township and other local groups.
- Support the implementation of improvements for barrier-free access to Township parks and recreation sites.



The Township prides itself on its parks and recreation system and the benefits it brings to residents and visitors. Parks and recreation systems provide three (3) primary benefits which make them essential to the community:

- **Economic value**
  - Parks improve the local tax base and increase property values. It is proven that private property values increase the closer such land is to parks. This increase in private property value increases property tax revenues and improves local economies.
- **Health and Environmental Benefits**
  - Parks are the places that people go to be healthy and stay fit.
  - Parks and recreation programs and services contribute to the health of children, youth, adults, and seniors.
  - Parks and protected public lands are proven to improve water quality, protect groundwater, prevent flooding, improve the quality of the air we breathe, provide vegetative buffers to development, produce habitat for wildlife, and provide a place for children and families to connect with nature and recreate outdoors together.
- **Social Importance**
  - Parks provide gathering places for families and social groups, as well as for individuals of all ages and economic status, regardless of their ability to pay for access.

The intent of this Plan is to extend the many benefits of the Township's parks to all members of the Hamburg Township community.

In conclusion, Hamburg Township officials intend to use this Plan as a guide for their work on all future recreation and park projects within the Township. It is also a strategic document that articulates specific goals to various agencies and organizations that fund local recreational and park improvement projects. Specifically, this plan is developed in accordance with the Guidelines for Development of Community Parks and Recreation Plans published by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR). A five-year, MDNR-approved Parks and Recreation Master Plan is necessary for Hamburg Township to pursue MDNR-administered grants. This Parks and Recreation Master Plan is written for Hamburg Township and covers all aspects of recreation within the Township over a five-year period from 2023-2028.

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## COMMUNITY PROFILE

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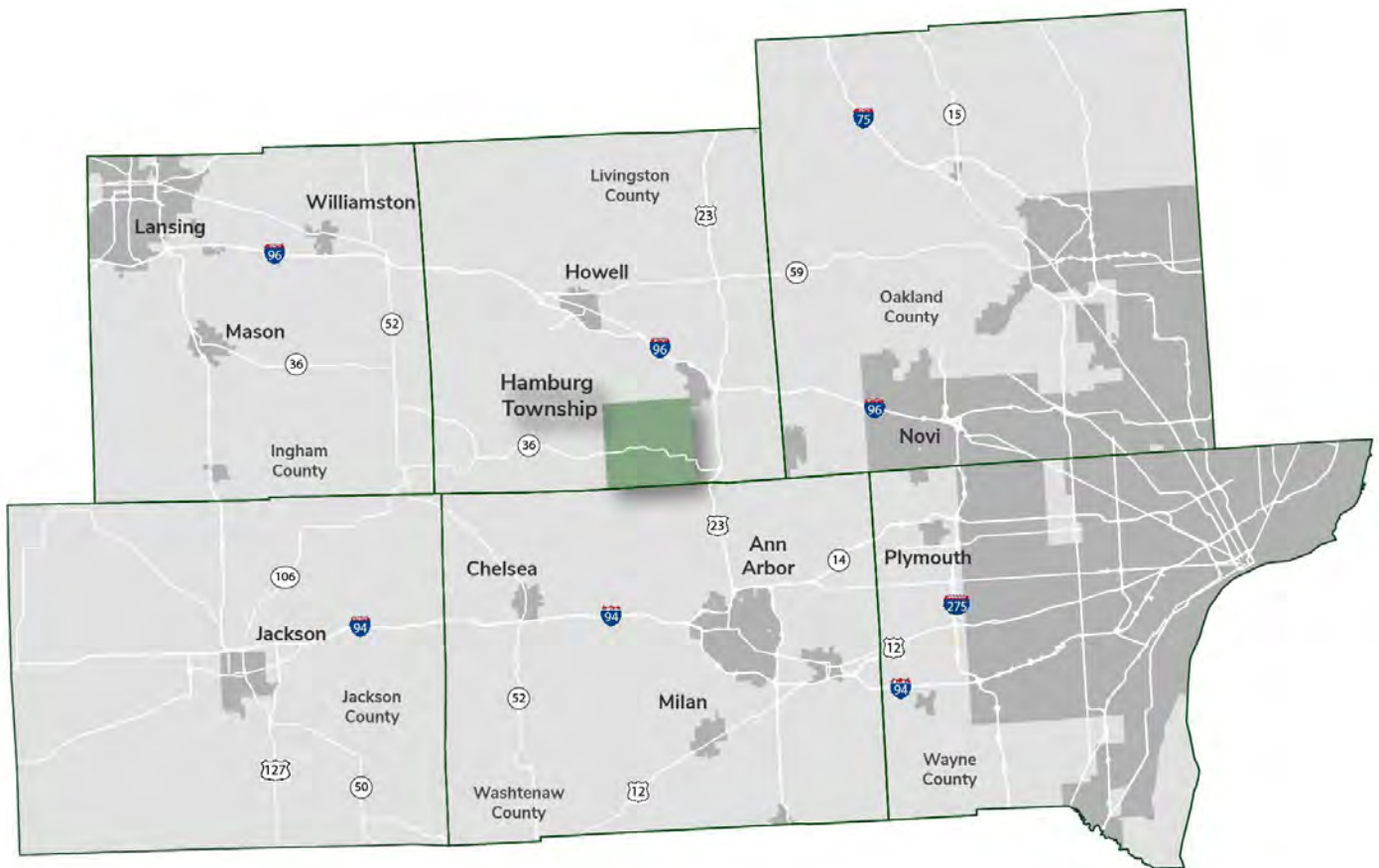
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## REGIONAL SETTING

Hamburg Township is located in the southeast region of Michigan's lower peninsula. It is located along the southern border of Livingston County. Within the County, Hamburg Township is bordered by Genoa Township to the north, Putnam Township and the Village of Pinckney to the west, and Green Oak Township to the east. To the south is Webster Township of Washtenaw County. Hamburg Township contains the unincorporated communities of Hamburg, Lakeland, and Pettysville. The community of Lakeland is in the center of the Township surrounded by Oneida Lake and Zukey Lake. Historically, this area is known as a summer retreat area for residents of Southeastern Michigan. Pettysville is in the vicinity of Pettysville and Rush Lake Roads.

MAP 1 – REGIONAL LOCATION



## DEMOGRAPHICS

In this section, background information from the U.S. Census was used to analyze Hamburg Township's current demographic conditions. The following section analyzes Census-based data on overall population trends, housing characteristics, and economic information within the Township to present an overall demographic condition analysis.

The information presented in this chapter uses the most recent Census Data from the 2020 Census and 2010 Census, the 2020 American Community Survey, and the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG). The Township is compared to Livingston County and the State of Michigan.

Understanding the characteristics of the population is helpful when evaluating parks and recreation facilities and needs. The tables below provide a comparison of key demographic data between Hamburg Township, Livingston County, and the State of Michigan.

### PEOPLE & POPULATION

When a community plans for the future, they must consider the composition of the population today and also consider its likely future composition. Understanding where the Township has been, and where it is likely to go, is essential to projecting future needs. Table 1 provides an analysis of key population data for Hamburg Township compared to Livingston County and the State of Michigan.

**TABLE 1 - HAMBURG TOWNSHIP PEOPLE & POPULATION DATA**

| Select Census Data for Hamburg Township, Livingston County, and the State of Michigan |                  |                   |                   |
|---|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|   | Hamburg Township | Livingston County | State of Michigan |
| Population – 2010 Census  | 21,165           | 180,967           | 9,883,640         |
| Population – 2020 Census  | 21,259           | 193,866           | 10,077,331        |
| Percent of Population Change Between 2010-2020  | 0.004%           | 7.1%              | 2.0%              |
| Percent of Population 65 & Older  | 21.0%            | 18.8%             | 17.2%             |
| Percent of Population Under 18  | 18.5%            | 20.5%             | 21.5%             |
| Median Age  | 48.1             | 43.7              | 39.8              |
| Percent with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher  | 42.9%            | 36.5%             | 30%               |

**Population Growth:** Hamburg Township's population in 2020 was 21,259, a 0.004% increase from 21,165 in 2010. While increasing, it remains slower than Livingston County as a whole (7.1%) and the State of Michigan (2%). The Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) provides a regional economic and demographic forecast for communities within Southeast Michigan. In SEMCOG's most recent development forecast, Hamburg Township is projected to continue to grow by approximately 9% through 2045.

**Senior Citizens:** Of the three communities in Table 1, Hamburg Township has the largest population of residents older than 65. As the US population ages, this population is also expected to grow. Seniors have different needs in recreation facilities than other ages groups. They tend to prefer more passive recreation options such a pathways and recreation centers versus playgrounds. Often, they live on a fixed income, therefore, public parks can be crucial to quality of life. They serve as gathering spaces and activity centers for both physical and mental well-being.



**Educational Attainment:** The highest levels of educational attainment result in a higher skill set and ultimately contribute to the local job growth. Within Hamburg Township 42.9% of residents older than 25 years have earned at least a bachelor's degree, which is significantly higher than Livingston County as a whole (36.5%), as well as the State of Michigan (30%).

## HOUSING & ECONOMICS

Understanding what a typical household looks like within the Township is an important factor in parks and recreation planning. This data demonstrates how park facilities and programs will be utilized by residents. Table 2 provides an analysis of key population data for Hamburg Township compared to Livingston County and the State of Michigan.

TABLE 2 - HAMBURG TOWNSHIP HOUSING & ECONOMIC DATA

| Select Census Data for Hamburg Township, Livingston County, and the State of Michigan |                  |                   |                   |
|---|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|   | Hamburg Township | Livingston County | State of Michigan |
| Percent of Population Below Poverty Line  | 4.7%             | 5.3%              | 13.7%             |
| Median Household Income   | \$92,670         | \$84,274          | \$59,234          |
| Average Household Size  | 2.74             | 3.06              | 2.45              |
| Median Housing Value  | \$269,500        | \$256,100         | \$162,600         |
| Renter-Occupied Housing as % of Total Occupied Units                                  | 6.1%             | 14.9%             | 9.4%              |

**Socioeconomic Status:** The household median income in the Township is \$92,670 which is about \$12,000 higher than Livingston County and \$33,000 higher than the State of Michigan. Hamburg Township's poverty rate is 4.7% which lower than the County average of 5.3% and significantly lower than the State average of 13.7%. These indicators point to a relatively strong economic base for the Township. A strong economic base and educational foundation is typically associated with a population that has a strong desire for quality parks. The Township should continue to invest in park facilities and programming. Parks are a tangible reflection of the quality of life in a community. They provide identity for citizens and are a major factor in the perception of quality of life in the community.

**Residents in Multi-Family Housing, Apartments, and Renters in General:** While the Township retains a lower percentage of renter-occupied housing units at 6.1% of the population, these residents in high-density housing have a greater need for open space and recreational facilities because they do not have large yards or open areas of their own.



## NATURAL RESOURCES

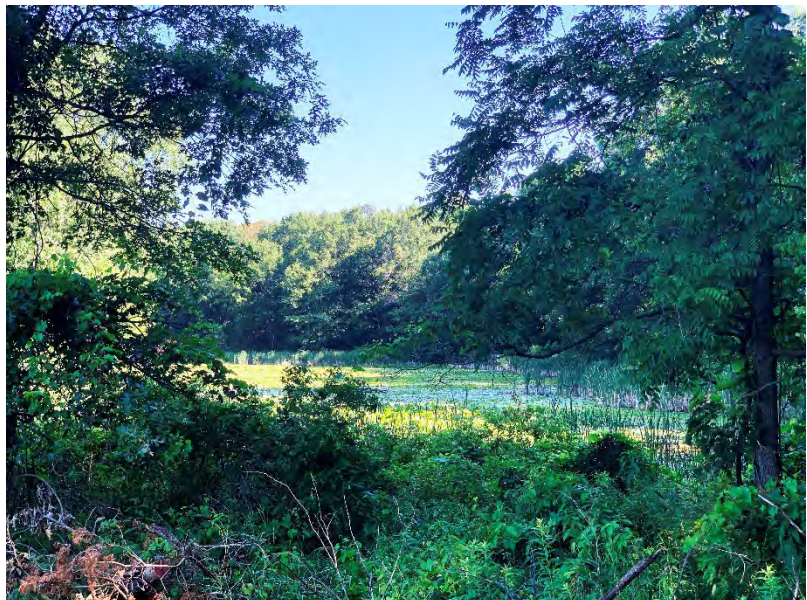
When studying parks and recreation resources in a community, it can be worthwhile to examine significant natural resources that may need conservation or protection. A large portion of the land area in the Township contains natural resources that have a value to the residents. However, it is not realistic to expect that all of that land will be preserved in a natural state in perpetuity. The Township has continued to encourage land developers to preserve natural features to the greatest extent possible when making plans for new construction through the Hamburg Township Zoning Department. Natural features are not easily restored after they are impaired. These natural features provide numerous existing and potential parks and recreation opportunities for residents.

The Township has several lakes connected by the Huron River, and with the exception of Mohican Lake and Sunset Lake, all are surrounded by relatively high-density residential development. Access to water bodies for active and passive purposes is an important recreation issue along with limiting the impact of potential development around the lakes. The Huron River area in Hamburg Township has been designated as a “natural river” and more specifically a “country-scenic” river area under the Michigan Natural River Act of 1970 which is defined as a river in an agricultural setting, with pastoral borders, some homes and is readily accessible.

Wetland areas are scattered throughout the Township, with the largest concentration in the centrally located Lakeland area. The wetlands, as identified by Map 3 (listed on Page 12), show mostly combinations of wetlands with wetland soil areas. Wetlands connected to or within 500 feet of an inland lake, pond, river, or stream, and/or those five acres in size or greater are regulated by Part 303, Wetland Protection, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, Public Act 451 of 1994. Map 3 identifies lakes/ivers in light blue, forested wetlands in darker blue, and scrub/shrub wetlands in the darkest blue.

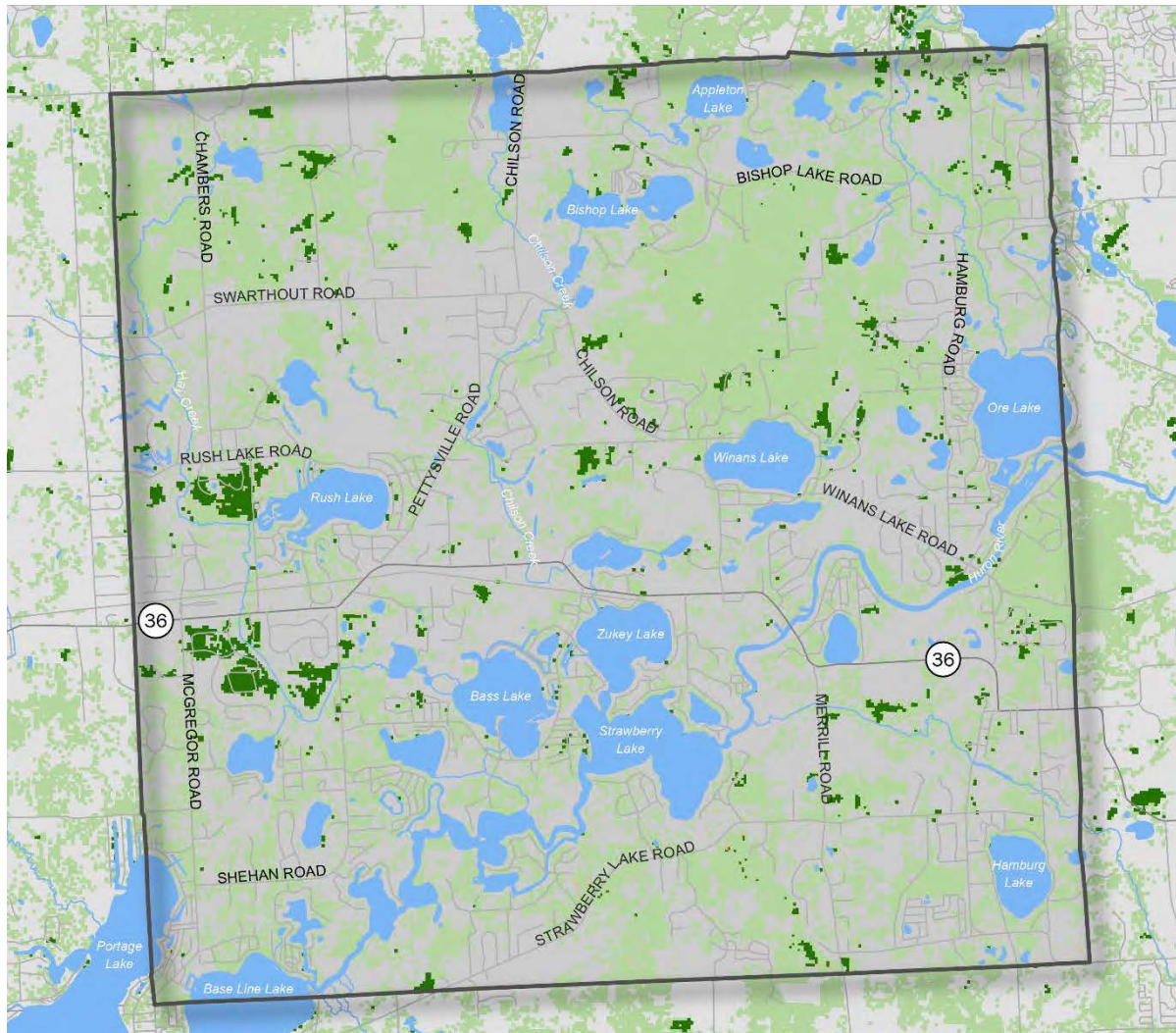
Woodland areas are commonly located adjacent to the wetland areas throughout the Township. The majority of the woodlands are composed of water tolerant species such as ash, silver maple, cottonwood, tamarack, willow, and sycamore. Where natural vegetation meets the water’s edge, areas of unique scenic resources and wildlife habitat are found. In the future, the lands highlighted on Map 2, identified on Page 11, would be priority conservation lands for any future land acquisition or park improvements and should be considered in any new development of park land.

Similarly, SEMCOG has identified significant tracts of land in the northern portion of the Township as Living Legacy Lands. The Living Legacies Initiative is facilitated by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) and works with many partners to identify, restore, and manage those natural places in Michigan that, together, best represent the diversity of Michigan’s biological heritage. Living Legacies is about making sure that these many



different natural areas and the life within them become a long-lasting legacy shared with residents and visitors. A map of Living Legacy Lands within the Township can be found in Appendix G. Map 2 below reflects lakes/rivers in light blue, deciduous forest in light green, evergreen forest in dark green, and mixed forest land in brown.

MAP 2 – WOODLANDS



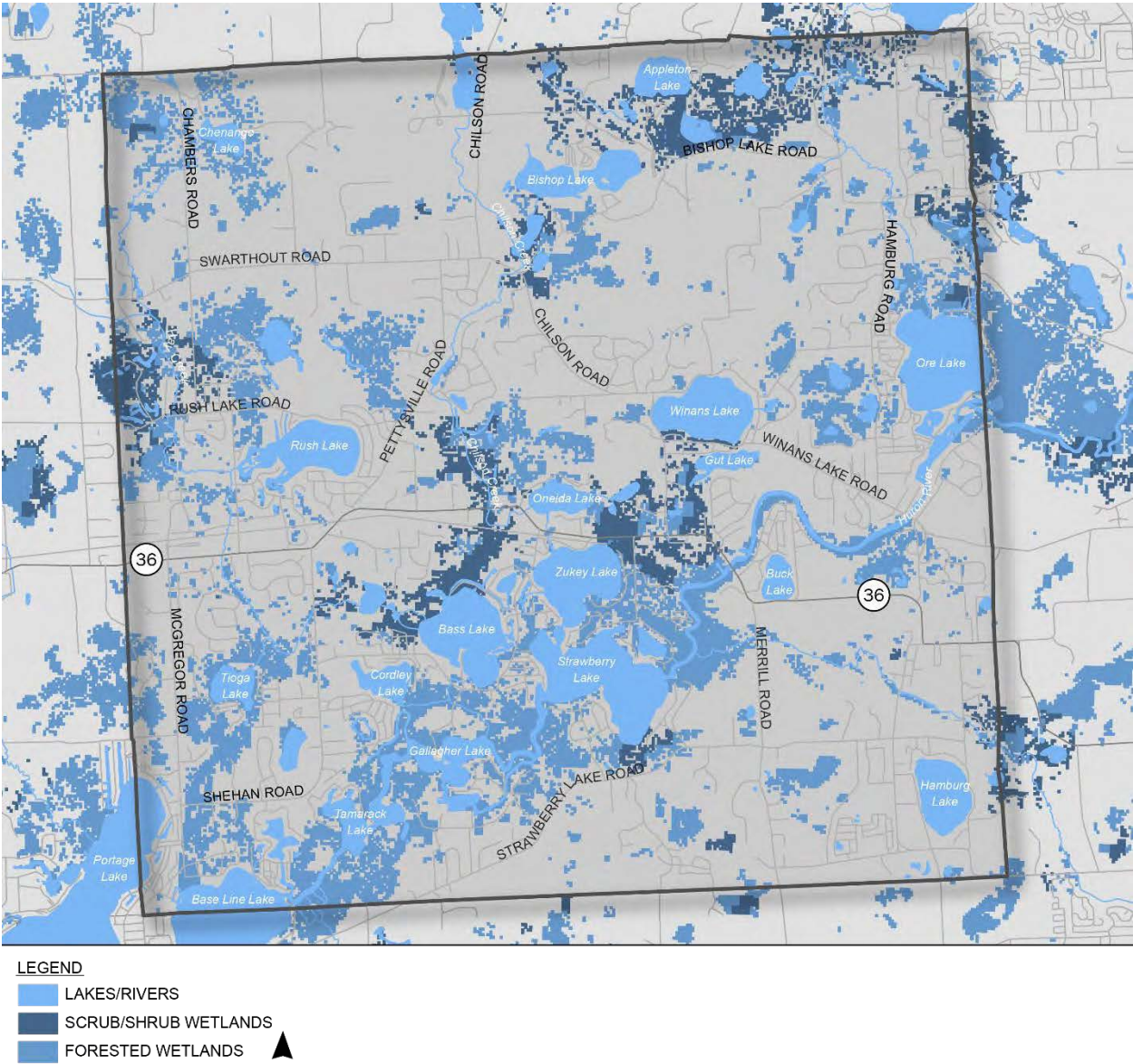
**LEGEND**

- LAKES/RIVERS
- DECIDUOUS FOREST
- EVERGREEN FOREST
- MIXED FOREST





MAP 3 – WETLANDS



## TRANSPORTATION

Township residents rely on the road and pathway networks to access regional parks and recreational facilities. The Township has no mass public transportation busing or railways at this time, as the transportation system is oriented toward the automobile. The existing road system consists of an irregular network of roads, which are situated around waterbodies and other significant natural resources.

Livingston County maintains a dial-a-ride public transportation system called the Livingston Essential Transportation Service (LETS). LETS allows anyone in the county call and request a bus service to reach their destination. LETS offers a 50% reduced fare for disabled persons or seniors age 60 and above. The Hamburg Township Senior Center has a designated LETS bus that provides service to members Monday through Friday from 9AM to 4PM, by appointment. This bus is ADA accessible and equipped with a wheelchair lift.

The Township is linked to the transportation network via M-36, which intersects with US-23 in neighboring Green Oak Township. Major north-south roads within the Township are Hamburg Road, Chilson Road, Pettysville, Whitewood, and McGregor Roads. Other arterial east-west roads within the Township are M-36, Strawberry Lake Road, and Winans Lake Road. The system of roads in and near Hamburg provides adequate access by automobile to recreation facilities in the Township and in surrounding communities. M-36 provides connections to regional and state facilities, as well as shopping and entertainment facilities in Green Oak Township and Oakland County. Other shopping and entertainment facilities in Brighton, Howell, and Ann Arbor are easily accessed by taking M-36 to US-23.

Access to recreation facilities can be difficult for certain segments of the population, primarily children and the elderly. Existing recreation facilities are scattered throughout the Township, thus located a considerable distance from much of the population. The Township has made progress to expand nonmotorized transportation routes such as bike paths, walkways, and trails to provide for more equitable access to the park system. A particular emphasis has been placed on increasing access to the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park, which is a segment of the larger Great Lake-to-Lake Trail and extends through the Township. The Township has incorporated complete streets policies into their zoning ordinance. Although progress has been made, the Township should continue to focus on building complete streets infrastructure which can be linked to improved safety for all uses, improved human health by encouraging walking and biking, decreased vehicular traffic, reduced dependence on gasoline and other petroleum products, and improved air quality. Complete streets policies provide for more transportation options, fosters more livable communities, and improves quality of life for all ages and socio-economic groups in the Township.



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## ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

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## INTRODUCTION

The Township does not have a formal Parks and Recreation Department so the operations, maintenance, and improvements to Hamburg's recreational facilities are currently the responsibility of the Clerk's Office. The structure of Parks and Recreation begins at the top with residents, to the Township Board, then the Parks and Recreation Committee who serves as a recommending body to the Township Board. Daily oversight of the parkland facilities is conducted by the Clerk's Department staff. In addition, staff coordinates the efforts of the citizens, volunteers, and recreational providers who provide services such as: programming, project assistance, and funding matches.

On December 21, 2010, the Township Board accepted the Parks and Recreation sub-committee's recommendation to reconstruct the Parks and Recreation Board (run by volunteers) and to create the new Community Recreational Services Organization (CRSO) committee. On November 20, 2012, the CRSO was renamed Parks and Recreation Committee and was formed as a recommending body to the Hamburg Township Board of Directors. Although the original Parks Board was dissolved, the volunteers and recreation providers still play an important role under the current structure by providing time and energy for the construction of capital improvements, as well as ongoing maintenance of park facilities. The fees collected for field use provide funds for the maintenance of the parklands and their improvements.

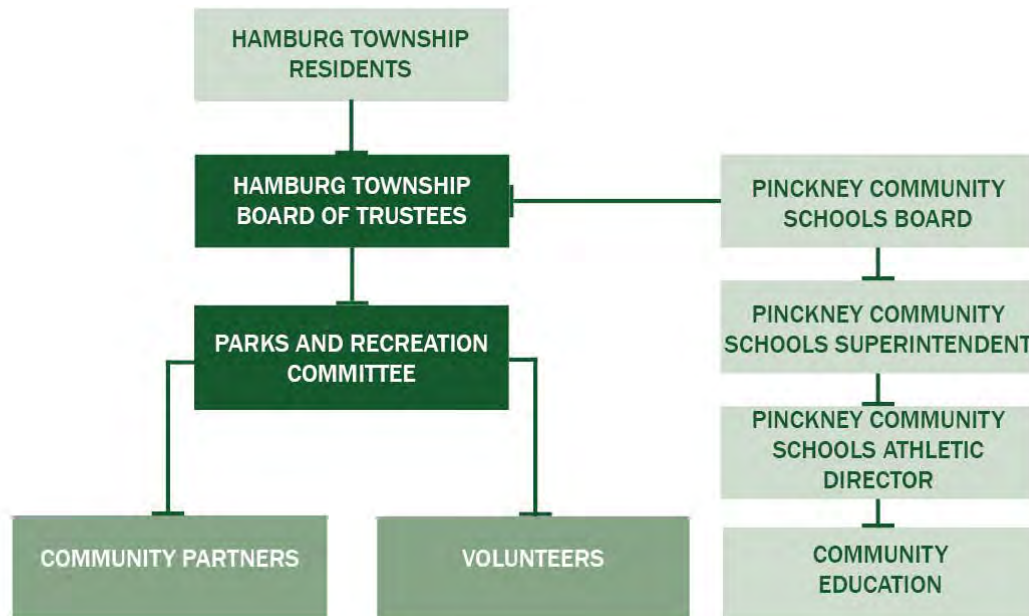


A program for the sale and installation of Commemorative Trees and Benches, along with an Adopt-A-Garden program, is managed by the Clerk's Department and provides a way for the community to fund amenities in the parkland and along the stretch of the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail that runs through the Township. These programs allow community members to take an active role in the beautification of their Township facilities while providing residents and visitors with pleasing respites and gardens to enjoy. The projects organized through this program are fully funded by the donor and provide a long-lasting tribute to their loved one.

The structure of Community Education, as shown in Figure 1 below, is an offshoot of the Pinckney Community Schools. Community Education does not report directly to any Hamburg Township government entity but rather, works with the Township to provide recreational opportunities to their community. Their structure starts at the top with the Pinckney Community School Board, with the Superintendent reporting to the School Board, and Community Education in turn reporting to the Superintendent. Community Education serves Hamburg and areas in six other townships outside of Hamburg, including the Village of Pickney, Genoa Charter Township, Dexter, Marion, Unadilla, Webster, and Putnam Townships.

There are a number of community partners and providers that serve the recreational needs of the residents, including but not limited to, baseball, football, cheer/pom, rugby, radio-controlled activities, and soccer. Given the importance of the various Township community partners, they have been included in Figure 1 below.

FIGURE 1 – TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE



## MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS

Operations and maintenance of park facilities are the responsibility of the Township Clerk's office as the Township does not have a formal Parks and Recreation department. The Township does maintain one (1) full time building and grounds staff member tasked with maintaining all Township owned buildings, parklands, and trail systems and one (1) full time administrative staff member tasked with parks, ADA compliance, grants, and ordinance management. Seasonal staff is hired for maintenance purposes to assist with mowing in the summer and plowing in the winter.

## FUNDING AND BUDGET

Hamburg Township's parks are financed through the Township's General Fund. The Township charges service fees for the organized use of parklands by recognized community partners and otherwise, the use of pavilions, disc golf, pickleball, and community center. Donations for the use of these facilities are welcome. These fees are put into the General Fund.

Primary funding for the operation and short and long-term maintenance of the Lakelands Trail, Township Parks, and the Hamburg Senior/Community Center is covered by the General Fund.

Additional funding sources include park facility user fees, donations from individuals/private organizations, and grants awarded for specific projects.

The Senior/Community Center charges a \$5 membership fee annually that goes into the General Fund. This membership fee is waived for individuals aged 90 or older.

TABLE 3 - BUDGET & FUNDING

|                         | CURRENT YEAR<br>2021-2022 | NEXT YEAR<br>2022-2023 |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| OPERATION & MAINTENANCE | \$265,795                 | \$449,685              |
| PROGRAMMING             | \$48,216                  | \$39,400               |
| CAPITAL EXPENDITURES    | \$77,426                  | \$120,000              |
| TOTAL                   | \$391,437                 | \$609,085              |





## ADDITIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

### VOLUNTEERS

In Hamburg Township, volunteers have been significant in helping the Township maintain their various gardens and plantings throughout the community.

The Amenities & Beautification Committee, commonly known as the ABC Committee, is a sub-committee made of volunteer members in the community who maintain all gardens, flower beds, sign beds, and plants annually. This sub-committee makes recommendations to the Parks and Recreation Committee and will plan and execute projects like:

- Planting, signage, and maintenance of Parkland/Trail interpretive gardens
- Installation of sculptures and outdoor artwork
- Beautification of Cemetery and support of historical tours
- Development of nature/linking trails as supported by this Plan
- Installation of bike racks and repair stations
- Support of volunteer force for garden projects

The Township's Adopt-A-Garden program provides volunteers or groups of volunteers with the opportunity to care for and maintain a garden of their choosing within the Township. The Township has a list of available gardens for adoption. The Township works with each group that adopts a garden to determine plants and supplies needed to care for the garden. Donated materials/supplies are desired, but the Township will provide anything not already covered. All plants and designs for the gardens must be approved by the Parks and Recreation Committee. The Township has a successful community garden located between the pickleball courts and senior center.

The Township also receives volunteer assistance installing and maintaining benches for their Commemorative Bench or Tree Program. The commemorative Bench or Tree Program allows the public to donate funds for the installation of a tree or bench to be placed within a Township Park. Each tree or bench includes a commemorative plaque to pay tribute to the donor.



## PINCKNEY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS SYSTEM

Hamburg Township collaborates with the neighboring Pinckney Community Schools System to provide parks and recreation opportunities to their students. The schools use the parks for their cross country meets and soccer activities at Manly W. Bennett Memorial Park.

### Community Education

Within Pinckney Schools is a department called Community Education. This entity does not report directly to Hamburg Township but serves Hamburg Township and other area townships with preschool, latchkey, and enrichment classes for youth and adults similar to:

- Aerobics
- Arts & Crafts
- Baton Twirling
- Belly Dance
- Youth Basketball
- CPR & First Aid
- Dance Classes
- Enrichment Classes
- Financial & Estate Planning
- Youth Golf
- Youth Gymnastics
- Adult Hula Hooping
- Hypnosis
- Lifeguard Certification
- Kickboxing
- Marine Safety
- Martial Arts
- Mom & Tot Playgroup
- Music Classes
- Pilates
- Pinckney Aquatic Club (PAC)
- Pinckney Players
- Preschool
- Soccer Camp
- Swimming
- Tennis Lessons
- Volleyball
- Yoga
- Zumba

## FRIENDS OF THE LAKELANDS TRAIL

The Friends of the Lakelands Trail group is made up of volunteers which assists municipalities with grant writing, maintenance, and promotion of the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park. The group is not specific to Hamburg Township, but instead, they work with the communities along the entire length of the trail and various trail connections. Local representatives, such as the Supervisor in Hamburg Township, attend meetings to coordinate with the other municipalities. Previously, the Friends of the Lakelands Trail group provided a grant to install curb ramps along Township sections of the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail.

## RECREATIONAL PROGRAMMING

The Township does not directly program recreational opportunities but instead collaborates with community partners and organizations to provide common community recreational opportunities.

The Hamburg Township Senior/Community Center offers several programs, classes, activities, and volunteer opportunities for individuals ages 55 and older. Other programs are offered by repeat community partners such as:

- **East Michigan Panthers (soccer)** – The East Michigan Panthers is a 501 (c)(3) organization offering competitive soccer opportunities for homeschool families in Southeast Michigan. The organization offers competitive Boys' Middle School (5th-8th), Men's JV and Varsity, Women's Varsity and Girls' Middle School (5th-8th) soccer teams with an emphasis on Christian values. Additional information can be found at: [www.empanters.com/](http://www.empanters.com/)
- **Hamburg Community Soccer Club (HCSC)** - HCSC is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) community youth soccer organization that manages boys and girls soccer teams ranging from ages three to 19. The club is comprised of players from Hamburg Township, Pinckney, Whitmore Lake, Brighton, Dexter, South Lyon, Howell, Gregory, and Ann Arbor. All HCSC outdoor activities and home games are held at West Bennett Park. Additional information can be found at: [www.hamburgsoccer.org](http://www.hamburgsoccer.org)
- **Pinckney Hamburg Baseball and Softball Association (PHBSA)** - The Pinckney Hamburg Baseball & Softball Association is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization completely staffed by volunteers. The purpose of the (PHSBA) is to conduct an amateur youth baseball and softball program for boys and girls ages four and older in the Pinckney Hamburg community. The mission of the P.H.B.S.A. is to provide opportunity and a fun, cooperative learning environment for children who participate in the Association's programs. Home facilities for PHSBA is Manly W. Bennett Park within Hamburg Township. Additional information can be found at: [www.pinckneyball.org/home](http://www.pinckneyball.org/home)
- **Go Sports LLC (baseball)** – Go Sports LLC is a sports organization, headquartered in Green Oak Township, dedicated to providing youth athletes the opportunity to play competitive baseball and fastpitch games locally and on travel teams. Go Sports teams frequently utilize the Manly W. Bennett Memorial Park fields for practice and home games. Additional information can be found at: [www.gosportsllc.com/](http://www.gosportsllc.com/)
- **Pirate Youth Athletics (PYA)** - Pirate Youth Athletics is a non-profit youth sports organization that specializes in Youth Tackle Football and competitive Cheer/Pom. PYA is comprised of players from the greater Pickney area and works as a pipeline to the Pinckney Middle School and High School football and competitive cheer/pom programs. PYA utilizes the Pinckney School facilities as their home base. Additional information can be found at: [www.pyathletics.org/home](http://www.pyathletics.org/home)
- **Hamburg Flyers RC Club** - The Hamburg Flyers RC Club is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization serving Hamburg Township and surrounding communities and provides opportunities for youth, adults, veterans, and senior citizens to build, fly, and discuss model aircraft and other RC applications (or activities). The RC field is located in East Bennett Park. Additional information can be found at: [www.hamburgflyers.org](http://www.hamburgflyers.org)



- **Hamburg Enhanced Recreation Organization (H.E.R.O.)** - H.E.R.O. is a non-profit, 501(C)(3) organization formed in 2005 for the purpose of supporting the continued development of recreational opportunities and facilities within Hamburg Township. H.E.R.O. plans, organizes, and hosts the annual Hamburg Family Fun Fest. H.E.R.O.'s goal is to provide an affordable, convenient, close to home, family event offering daily activities such as shows, concerts, a petting zoo, circus, etc. free of charge. The intent of the Hamburg Family Fun Fest is to help fund future enhancements of the recreational programs in the Hamburg area through a grant process when funds are available. Additional information can be found at: [www.hamburgfunfest.com](http://www.hamburgfunfest.com)

## Adult Sports

Offered at the Manly W. Bennett Memorial Park, adult sports include:

- Disc Golf
- Pickleball

## Youth Sports

Offered at the Manly W. Bennett Memorial Park and Pickney Community School Facilities, youth sports include:

- Soccer
- Football
- Baseball & Softball

## Library

Located adjacent to the Hamburg Senior Center, the Hamburg Community Library offers a variety of materials to the public, as follows:

- Audio Books
- Books
- DVDs
- E-Books
- Enrichment Programming
- Literacy Collection
- Magazines
- Pickleball Rackets and Balls
- Music CDs
- Newspapers
- Sheet Music





## Senior Programming

The Hamburg Senior Community Center offers a multitude of activities and classes for the community's senior residents, as follows:

- Exercise Classes Provided by Michigan Rehabilitation Specialists
- Yoga
- One-on-One Computer Lessons
- Watercolor Painting
- Acrylic Painting
- Card-Making
- Origami
- Quilting
- Crafting
- Flower Arrangement
- Assistance with Veteran's Benefits
- Euchre
- Pinochle
- Mah-Jongg
- Ripple
- Medical Equipment which is loaned out on an as needed basis.
- Excursions



## PAST GRANT HISTORY

The following list identifies grant projects that were awarded through the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, as reported by DNR Grants Management. This list does not reflect the other grant sources that have been used for recreation projects.

TABLE 4 - PAST GRANT HISTORY: HAMBURG TOWNSHIP

| TITLE                               | FUNDING AGENCY | PROJECT #   | YEAR | GRANT AMOUNT | DESCRIPTION   |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|------|--------------|---|
| MANLY W. BENNETT MEMORIAL PARK      | DNR            | 26-01104 B  | 1980 | \$25,000     | Concession/restroom building, utilities, sewage disposal, site restoration & landscaping, parking area, LWCF sign.  |
| MERRILL FIELD                       | DNR            | 26-01274    | 1983 | \$29,133     | Landscaping, entrance signs, road & parking lot improvements, play structure, asphalt walkway, litter barrels, bleachers, service gate, & LWCF sign.  |
| MANLY W. BENNETT MEMORIAL FIELD     | DNR            | BF89-092    | 1989 | \$100,800    | Division A soccer field, Division B soccer field, lighting for 2 ballfields, parking lot, 4 shuffleboard courts, picnic tables, picnic pavilion, playground equipment, 2 basketball courts, 9 bleachers, 4" well, 2 tennis courts, 2 batting cages. |
| MANLY W. BENNETT PARK               | DNR            | CM99-077    | 1999 | \$247,000    | Nature trails (8,000 LF), paved trails (8-ft wide, 3,800 LF), boardwalk (600 LF), fishing dock, picnic tables, picnic shelter with storage shed, playground equipment.  |
| LAKELANDS TRAIL ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS | DNR            | TF13-014    | 2013 | \$125,400    | Paved trail (to complete Lakelands Trail in Hamburg Township), trailhead parking & amenities, natural resource access & protection. Project included 2 phases to completely construct the universally accessible development project.               |
| HAY CREEK BRIDGE RENOVATION         | DNR            | TF20-0145   | 2020 | \$50,000     | Replacement of bridge decking on pedestrian bridge along the Lakelands Trail.   |
| HAY CREEK BRIDGE RENOVATION         | Wilson Grant   | GR-20208728 | 2020 | \$50,000     | Replacement of bridge decking on pedestrian bridge along the Lakelands Trail.   |

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## RECREATION INVENTORY

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## PARKS & RECREATION INVENTORY

The following includes inventory studies of the parks and recreation facilities in Hamburg Township. This inventory was updated by the planning consultants in the summer of 2022 and verified by Township staff. The text below includes an in-depth description of Township-owned parks, park classifications, and ADA accessibility ratings. Table 4 summarizes park amenities in a tabular form. This chapter also contains a brief discussion of other recreational facilities in the Township and region.

### ACCESSIBILITY

Creating a park system that is safe, accessible, and usable to all individuals, including those with disabilities, is essential. A grading system has been developed by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources to easily identify those parks and facilities which are most and least accessible, based on the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) guidelines. The accessibility grading system uses a five-point system ranging from one (none of the facilities/park area meet accessibility guidelines) to five (the entire park was developed/renovated using the principals of universal design). See Table 4 below for the grading system.

In 2014, the Township hired a planning consultant to complete an ADA and universal accessibility evaluation of their facilities and park areas and create an ADA Transition Plan. Within the Township, some parks have facilities that are not ADA accessible. However, the Township recognizes the importance of equal access for all park users and is dedicated to improving accessibility at each of its parks when improvements are made. Such improvements increase access for those with physical disabilities as well as those experiencing temporary mobility issues, which can be of particular importance to the Township's senior population. Additionally, over the next five (5) years, the Township has decided to prioritize the items on the ADA Transition Plan because they believe making the Township facilities accessible is of the utmost importance. The ADA Transition Plan contains priority codes ranging from one (1) to four (4), with one (1) being the highest priority and four (4) being the lowest. A full list of transition plan priority items is listed on page 67 within the action plan. This includes parking, paths, restrooms, activity areas, amenities, and signage.

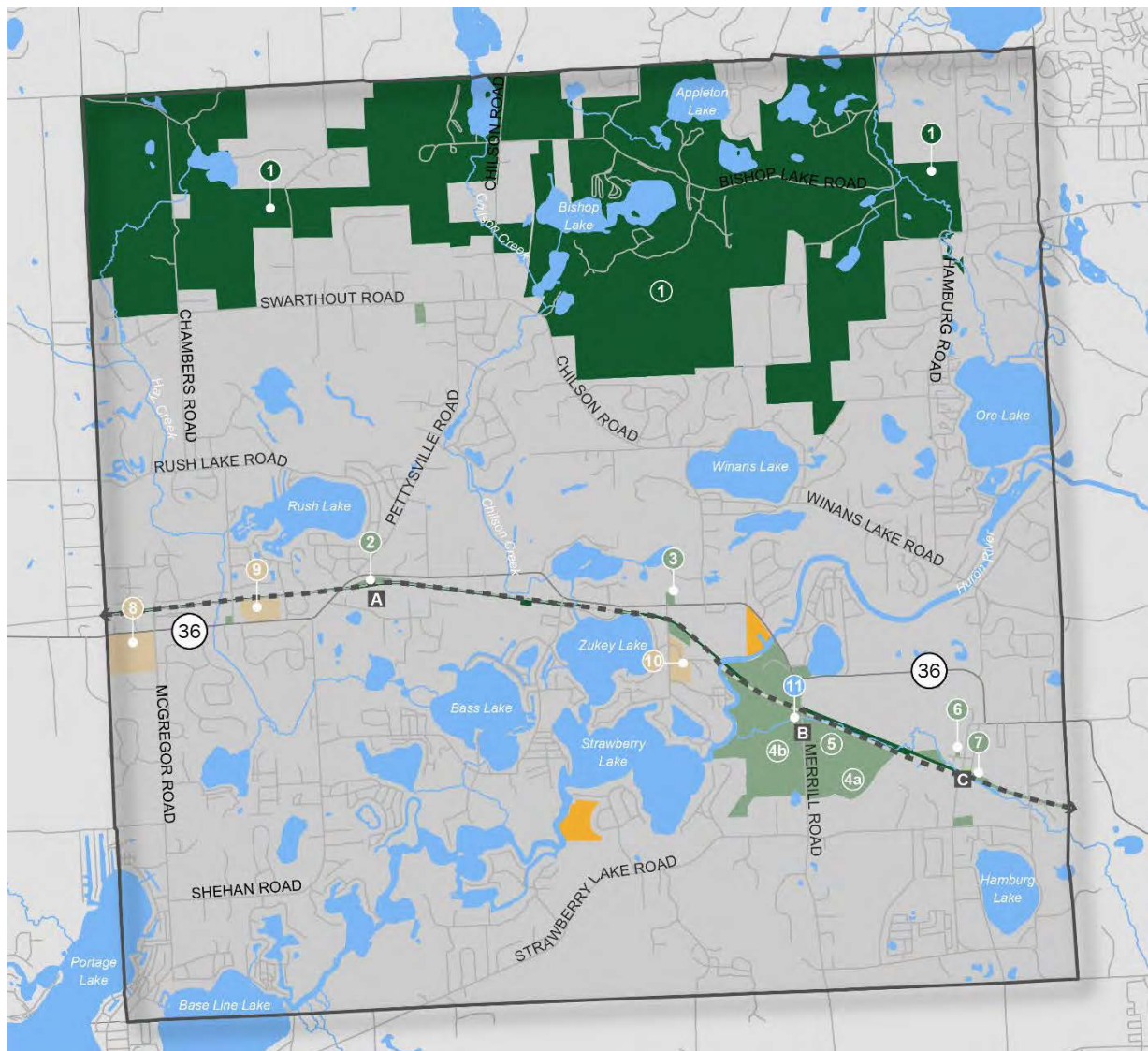
**TABLE 5 - DNR ACCESSIBILITY GRADING SYSTEM FOR PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES**

| ACCESSIBILITY GRADE | DEFINITION  |
|---------------------|---|
| 1                   | None of the facilities/park areas meet accessibility guidelines.                  |
| 2                   | Some of the facilities/park areas meet accessibility guidelines.                  |
| 3                   | Most of the facilities/park areas meet accessibility guidelines.                  |
| 4                   | The entire park meets accessibility guidelines.                                   |
| 5                   | The entire park was developed/renovated using the principals of universal design. |



# HAMBURG TOWNSHIP PARK FACILITIES

MAP 4 - HAMBURG TOWNSHIP PARKS



## LEGEND

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| <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #008000; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%;"></span> 1 Brighton State Recreation Area                             | <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #FFD700; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%;"></span> 8 Navigator/Pathfinder Middle School      |
| <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #90EE90; border: 1px solid black;"></span> COMMUNITY FACILITIES   | <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #FFA500; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%;"></span> 9 County Elementary School                |
| <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #90EE90; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%;"></span> 2 Pump Track   | <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #FFD700; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%;"></span> 10 Kensington Woods Schools               |
| <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #90EE90; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%;"></span> 3 Livingston County Conservation Club                        | <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #FFA500; border: 1px solid black;"></span> LIVINGSTON COUNTY LAND  |
| <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #90EE90; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%;"></span> 4a Manly W. Bennett Memorial Park- East                      | <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #808080; border: 1px solid black;"></span> TRAILHEAD   |
| <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #90EE90; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%;"></span> 4b Manly W. Bennett Memorial Park - West                     | <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #808080; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%;"></span> A Pettyville Trailhead                    |
| <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #90EE90; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%;"></span> 5 Hamburg Township Library / Hamburg Senior Community Center | <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #808080; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%;"></span> B Merrill Trailhead                       |
| <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #90EE90; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%;"></span> 6 Hamburg Historical Society Museum                          | <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #808080; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%;"></span> C Hamburg Village Trailhead               |
| <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #90EE90; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%;"></span> 7 Winkelhaus Park  | <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #ADD8E6; border: 1px solid black;"></span> WATER BODIES  |
| <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #90EE90; border: 1px solid black;"></span> Township Owned Property  | <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #ADD8E6; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%;"></span> 11 Huron River Water Trail Bennett Launch |



## MANLY W. BENNETT MEMORIAL PARK – EAST

*Location: 10405 Merrill Rd.,  
Whitmore Lake, MI 48189*

*Acreage: 120.40*

*ADA Accessibility: 3*

*Classification: Regional*

Bennett Park East includes a playground, a cross country track/running trail, a sledding hill, several baseball diamonds, a field and track for remote controlled vehicles and aircraft, football and rugby practice areas, a concession stand, picnic shelters, and a 5-acre community event field.



## MANLY W. BENNETT MEMORIAL PARK – WEST

*Location: 10405 Merrill Rd., Whitmore Lake, MI 48189*

*Acreage: 181.6*

*ADA Accessibility: 3*

*Classification: Regional*

On the other side of Merrill Road is Bennett Park West. This park is best known for its soccer fields, 18-hole disc golf course, an outdoor workout area, nature and paved trails, boardwalk to a scenic overlook over the Huron River, a playground, concessions building and pavilion, and access to the Huron River Water Trail and Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park.





MAP 5 - MANLY W. BENNETT MEMORIAL PARK - WEST & MERRILL TRAILHEAD





MAP 6 - MANLY W. BENNETT MEMORIAL PARK - EAST





## WINKELHAUS PARK

*Location: 10655 Hamburg Rd, Hamburg, MI 48139*

*Acreage: 0.90*

*ADA Accessibility: 1*

*Classification: Neighborhood*

In memory of the Winkelhaus family and the former Hamburg Hotel, this park includes open space for picnicking beneath the tree canopy, a nature trail through the woods, horseshoe pits, a gazebo for events, and interpretive signage reflecting on the history of the hotel.





MAP 7 – WINKELHAUS PARK & HAMBURG VILLAGE TRAILHEAD





## PARK SERVICE AREA AND CLASSIFICATION

A recreation inventory is the foundation for developing an understanding of the Township's recreation needs, deficiencies, and future plans. An inventory provides a snapshot of all the available facilities within a community along with detail about the types of activities and features. The following classification system is adapted from the National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA) guide. It recognizes types of parks based on size, service area, facilities, and use groups. Each park in Hamburg Township is classified as a neighborhood park, a community park, or a regional park. The NRPA classifies several other park types, but they are not all applicable to the Hamburg Township.

### NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS

Parks in this classification are the most basic park unit of a system and serve as the recreation and social focus of a neighborhood. Neighborhood parks are easily accessible to neighborhood populations and geographically centered within safe walking distance and bike access. Typically, neighborhood parks are 5 to 10 acres in size and can service a population of approximately 5,000 residents. The parks have a service location of  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile distance. National standards recommend between .25 to 2.0 acres of neighborhood parks per 1,000 residents. The national standard is about 5.3 acres. Hamburg Township provides .9 acres of neighborhood park space, which is short of the national standard about 4.4 acres. Neighborhood Parks are identified by the service area of Hamburg Township in the previous inventory section.

Winkelhaus Park is the only neighborhood park in the Township. However, it has been the policy of Hamburg Township over the past 30 years to require new residential developments to provide open space areas within each project to meet the passive and active recreation needs of neighborhoods. Further, some older residential developments already have open space set aside for these purposes. Therefore, there may be more neighborhood park space within the Township that is not Township-owned land.



## COMMUNITY PARKS

Community parks are intended to serve several neighborhoods and usually serve a broad range of uses. The typical park size is 30 acres or more. The Township has two parks that are classified as a community park. The national classification system recommends 5 acres per 1,000 residents. The national standard is about 106.3 acres. There are no community parks that Hamburg Township owns or operates. Compared to national standards, it appears that the Hamburg Township may be deficient in terms of community parks. However, schools can help provide parks facilities in the category of community parks. If schools are included in the community park category, there is a total of 71.36 acres of recreation/park land, reduces the deficiency to 35 acres, according to the national standards.

## REGIONAL PARKS

Regional parks are typically classified as serving several communities and being large in size, typically, 200 acres or more. They are land that is set aside for preservation, natural resources, environmental significance, use, or historic/cultural interest. While the national standard acreage is large, and Hamburg Township's regional parks are smaller, the NRPA does not only categorize parks by size. A regional park can be smaller but still have a regional use or cultural significance. This is the case for the Manly W. Bennett Memorial Park (East and West). National Standards suggest 5 acres per 1,000 residents. The Township owns one regional park broken into two:

- Manly W. Bennett Memorial Park – East
- Manly W. Bennett Memorial Park – West

The Township has a total of 365 acres of regional park land, with an excess of 96.5 acres of land. In addition to its regional parks, the Township also has access to a regional trail system. 6.5-miles of the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail state park passes through the Township and connects to many local points of interest and to the larger cross-state Great Lake-to-Lake Trail.





TABLE 6 - HAMBURG TOWNSHIP PARK INVENTORY

|                                   | MANLY W. BENNETT<br>MEMORIAL PARK -<br>EAST | MANLY W. BENNETT<br>MEMORIAL PARK -<br>WEST | WINKELHAUS<br>PARK |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|--------------------|
| ACREAGE                           | 183.42                                      | 181.6                                       | 0.9                |
| ACCESSIBILITY                     | 3   | 3   | 1                  |
| CLASSIFICATION                    | Regional Park                               | Regional Park                               | Neighborhood Park  |
| ADULT FITNESS<br>EQUIPMENT        |   | X   |                    |
| PICKLEBALL COURT                  | X   |   |                    |
| BASEBALL DIAMOND                  | X   |   |                    |
| BATTING CAGES                     | X   |   |                    |
| FOOTBALL/ MULTI-USE<br>FIELD      | X   |   |                    |
| DISC GOLF COURSE                  |   | X   |                    |
| T-BALL FIELD                      | X   |   |                    |
| SOCCER FIELDS/<br>MULTI-USE FIELD |   | X   |                    |
| HORSESHOES                        |   |   | X                  |
| VOLLEYBALL COURT                  | X   |   |                    |
| RC FIELD                          | X   |   |                    |
| PAVILION/ GAZEBO                  | X   | X   | X                  |
| PLAYGROUND                        | X   | X   |                    |
| HIKING/ WALKING<br>TRAILS         | X   | X   | X                  |
| KAYAK/ CANOE<br>LAUNCH SITE       |   | X   |                    |
| SENIOR/ COMMUNITY<br>CENTER       | X   |   |                    |
| PORTABLE TOILETS                  | X   | X   |                    |
| VIEWING DECK                      |   | X   |                    |
| PICNIC AREA                       | X   | X   | X                  |
| BOARDWALK                         |   | X   |                    |

## SCHOOL FACILITIES

There are several facilities that are owned by the Pickney Community School District which provide public access to parks and recreation functions. The school system contains outdoor facilities that are utilized by youth sport organizations and adjacent neighborhood residents, and indoor school facilities such as gyms, auditoriums, and pool which are used in local recreation programming.

### Navigator / Pathfinder Middle School

Navigator / Pathfinder contains several recreational facilities available to the public. Amenities include an indoor swimming pool, community theater, indoor running track, outdoor track, soccer field, weight room, performing arts room, basketball courts, a baseball field, two softball fields, and eight tennis courts. Residents can request use of these facilities from Pinckney Community Schools.

### Pinckney High School

Pinckney High School (in Putnam Township) contains numerous recreational facilities and is classified as a community park. Pinckney High School is located approximately 5.3-miles from Hamburg Township. Recreational amenities include a swimming pool, weight room, performing arts room, indoor running track, outdoor running track, football stadium with a football playing field, two soccer practice fields, tennis courts, three basketball courts, two softball diamonds, and two baseball diamonds.



## COMPARISON TO STANDARDS

The Township has committed to taking a steady and consistent approach to developing park facilities that provide lifelong recreation options for the residents of Hamburg Township. When considering level of service, it is important to note that the Township provides de facto recreation services and facilities to a population greater than its residential population. Therefore, it is important to consider this broader need in terms of demand and not just classification standards for park land per 1,000 residents.

The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) has published typical recreation facility standards that specify facility service area, the number of facilities needed to service the population, and the land area needed. These standards can be used in conjunction with the acreage standards to further identify the Hamburg Township's recreation needs. Table 6 provides a comparison of the Township's public recreation facilities against the NRPA's published recreation facility standards.

In general, the Township rates very well compared to the MDNR's suggested facility development standards regarding the acreage of park land necessary for their population. The table only indicates excess parkland in Neighborhood Parks, Community Parks, and Regional Parks.

In addition to the standards outlined in the table below, more recent park guidelines indicate that officials must also consider the parks and recreation "Level of Service" desired by the residents of a community. If the Township's resident needs are met with the existing park land and facilities, then that amount is sufficient, regardless of the standards or acreage suggestions. Therefore, the community input portion of a recreation plan is so important. While it appears that the Township has enough recreation land, the community input results indicated some deficiencies in parks such as additional restrooms, updated playground equipment, greater access to trails, and access to dog parks. Residents are most concerned with improving the current facilities. The Parks and Recreation Committee needs to understand the wishes of the community it serves to provide the appropriate level of service.

**TABLE 7 - COMPARISON TO STANDARDS**

|  | STANDARD ACREAGE                   | TOWNSHIP<br>PARK<br>ACREAGE | STANDARD<br>AMOUNT OF<br>ACREAGE | DEFICIENCY /<br>EXCESS |
|--|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>NEIGHBORHOOD<br/>PARKS</b>                          | .25 to 2 acres/ 1,000<br>Residents | 0.9                         | 5.3 to 42.5                      | -4.4                   |
| <b>COMMUNITY<br/>PARKS*</b>                            | 5 acres / 1,000<br>Residents       | 71.4                        | 106.3                            | -34.9                  |
| <b>REGIONAL<br/>PARKS</b>                              | 5 acres / 1,000<br>Residents       | 365                         | 106.3                            | +195.7                 |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   |                                    | <b>437.3</b>                | <b>217.9</b>                     | <b>156.4</b>           |
| Table is based on the 2020 Census Population           |                                    |                             |                                  |                        |
| *Community Park calculations include school properties |                                    |                             |                                  |                        |

## REGIONAL FACILITIES

Regional recreation facilities such as local, County, and State parks provide additional opportunities to Hamburg Township residents. These additional facilities provide residents with a variety of activities and opportunities that include larger acres of land, lakes, camping, recreation centers, and other recreational activities. A brief inventory of these facilities is below.

## LOCAL PARKS

### *Facilities in Hamburg Township*

- **Senior / Community Center:** The senior center provides a wide range of programs for all Township residents 55 and older. The programs offer something for everyone whether that's educational, fitness, socialization, or a trip. Senior Center membership has exclusive access to the pickleball courts near the Community Center from 9 AM to 4 PM as part of their membership.
- **Hamburg Historical Museum:** Established in 2006 and located on Stone Street, the goal of the museum is to preserve the history of Hamburg and enrich the community. The museum is located in one of Hamburg's major historic buildings, which was constructed in 1865 and served as a Methodist Church. It was subsequently converted into the Township Offices in the mid-1900's and later into a Township Library before housing the museum. The tearoom within the facility is available to the public as an event space, by appointment.
- **Hamburg Township Library:** Located off Merrill Road, the library contains various meeting rooms, computers, and other equipment for public use. The library's collection contains audio books, newspapers, DVD's, books, music CD's, sheet music available for checkout with a library card.

### *Other Local Recreation Areas*

- Brighton Mill Pond (Brighton)
- Selcra Meijer Park (Brighton)
- Baldwin Park (Howell)
- Genoa Township Fields (Genoa Township)
- Howell City Park (Howell)
- Howell Area Aquatic Center (Howell)
- Howell Recreation Center (Howell)
- Lakeside Drive Park (Howell)
- Marion Disc Golf Course (Marion Township)
- Oceola Township Soccer Fields (Oceola Township)
- Page Field (Howell)
- Paul Bennett Field (Howell)
- Putnam Township Square (Pinckney)
- MDNR Portage Lake Boat Launch





## COUNTY PARKS

Lutz County Park is the only park within the Livingston County parks system. It is approximately 300 acres containing over 7,000 linear feet of groomed trails, numerous natural features, picnic tables and park benches. Nearby Genesee, Oakland and Washtenaw County Park systems also provide a plethora of natural resources, including playgrounds, trails, swimming, and sport facilities. The following list represents adjacent county park facilities within a 30-mile radius of Hamburg Township:

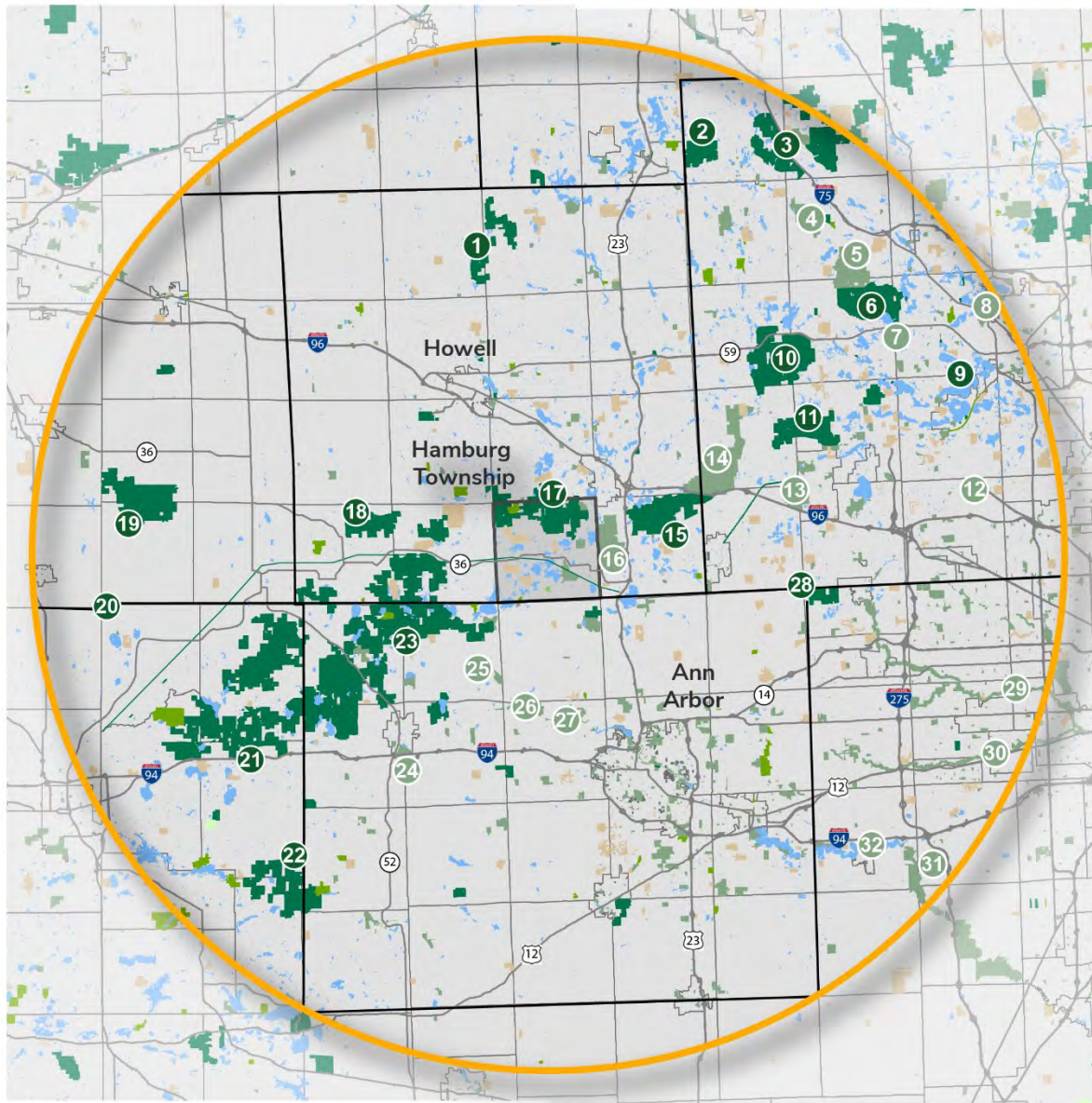
- Cavanaugh Lake County Park (Sylvan Township, Washtenaw County)
- Clear Lake County Park (Waterloo Township, Jackson County)
- County Farm Park (Pittsfield Township, Washtenaw County)
- Gillett's Lake County Park (Leoni Township, Jackson County)
- Grass Lake County Park (Grass Lake Township, Jackson County)
- Groveland Oaks County Park (Groveland Township, Oakland County)
- Independence Lake County Park (Webster Township, Washtenaw County)
- Linden County Park (Linden Township, Genesee County)
- Little Wolf County Lake (Napoleon Township, Jackson County)
- Lyon Oaks County Park (City of Wixom, Oakland County)
- Parker Miller County Park (Ann Arbor Township, Washtenaw County)
- Park Lyndon (Lyndon Township, Washtenaw County)
- Park Northfield (Northfield Township, Washtenaw County)
- Pleasant Lake County Park (Henrietta Township, Jackson County)
- Portage Lake County Park (Waterloo Township, Jackson County)
- Rolling Hills County Park (Ypsilanti Township, Washtenaw County)
- Rose Oaks County Park (Rose Township, Oakland County)
- Sharon Mills County Park (Sharon Township, Washtenaw County)
- Springfield Oaks (Springfield Township, Oakland County)
- Waterford Oaks (Waterford Township, Oakland County)

## STATE PARKS & RECREATION AREAS

### *Brighton State Recreation Area*

The Brighton Recreation Area is located in Hamburg Township and provides various recreational opportunities for Township residents. The 4,057-acre park offers swimming, picnicking, hiking, camping, boating, and fishing, equestrian activities and trails, as well as playground equipment.

MAP 8 - REGIONAL FACILITIES



## LEGEND

- STATE PARKS
- LOCAL/REGIONAL PARKS
- NON-PROFIT FACILITIES
- PRIVATE RECREATION FACILITIES

## REGIONAL RECREATION FACILITIES

- |                                |                                 |                                |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 OAK GROVE SGA                | 8 WATERFORD OAKS COUNTY PARK    | 24 PIERCE PARK                 |
| 2 SEVEN LAKES STATE PARK       | 9 DODGE BROTHER STATE PARK #4   | 25 HUDSON-MILLS METROPARK      |
| 3 HOLLY RECREATION AREA        | 10 HIGHLAND SRA                 | 26 DEXTER-HURON METROPARK      |
| 4 SPRINGFIELD OAKS COUNTY PARK | 11 PROUD LAKE SRA               | 27 DELHI METROPARK             |
| 5 INDIAN SPRINGS METROPARK     | 12 OAK GROVE SGA                | 28 MAYBURY STATE PARK          |
| 6 PONTIAC LAKE SGA             | 13 LYON OAKS COUNTY PARK        | 29 MIDDLE ROUGE PARK           |
| 7 WHITE LAKE OAKS COUNTY PARK  | 14 KENSINGTON METROPARK         | 30 LOWER ROUGE PARK            |
|                                | 15 ISLAND LAKE SRA              | 31 LOWER HURON METROPARK       |
|                                | 16 HURON MEADOWS METRO PARK     | 32 BELLEVILLE LAKE BOAT LAUNCH |
|                                | 17 BRIGHTON RECREATION AREA     |                                |
|                                | 18 GREGORY SGA                  |                                |
|                                | 19 DANSVILLE SGA                |                                |
|                                | 20 MERIDIAN-BASELINE STATE PARK |                                |
|                                | 21 WATERLOO SRA                 |                                |
|                                | 22 SHARONVILLE SGA              |                                |
|                                | 23 PINCKNEY SGA                 |                                |

## NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS

Communities across the United States are creating regional trail systems in both cities and rural areas to provide a higher quality of life for residents. Trails give residents the opportunity to be more active and healthier, safer while walking or biking on the roads, have additional ways to experience their community, and give all users the option of increased mobility in different modes of travel.

### WHY TRAILS ARE IMPORTANT

While trails can be a challenge to implement, their positive effects on a community cannot be disputed. It has been proven that trails create a place of pride and sense of ownership in Michigan residents. Trails are also an important driver in the local and regional economy, they increase property values, and provide safe and healthy recreation options. The growing trail trend in Michigan is also reflected in the Township. Trails and pathways are an asset to every community. Trail users have a measurable impact on the local economy. Working with the surrounding townships and other jurisdictions is an effective way to connect with existing systems and expand the non-motorized pathway infrastructure. Several statewide trail systems are being developed which provide an opportunity for the Township to connect with its neighbors. The Great Lake-to-Lake Trail system stretches from South Haven on Lake Michigan to Port Huron on Lake Huron. Similarly, the Iron Belle Trail is a set of two trails which span the length of the State from Ironwood in the Upper Peninsula to Belle Isle in the Lower Peninsula. The Township should seek to connect to larger regional and state trail systems whenever possible as these projects create a long-term, valuable investment in the community. Trail investment promotes economic vitality, encourages a healthier lifestyle in residents, and creates a safer travel environment.

### COMPLETE STREETS

Hamburg Township has implemented a Complete Streets policy. For the Township, implementing a Complete Streets approach integrates people and place in the planning, design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the local transportation network. Additionally, this policy helps ensure streets are safe for people of all ages and abilities, balance the needs of different modes, and support local land uses, economies, and natural features.

### HURON RIVER WATER TRAIL

The Huron River Water Trail is an inland paddling trail along the Huron River which traverses through Hamburg Township. The trail & river begin east of Milford and moves through 30 different communities before emptying out into Lake Erie. The route is intended for kayaking, canoeing, fishing, and other similar water activities. The trail connects to several Hamburg Township lakes including Ore, Strawberry, Gallagher, Whitewood, Base Line, etc. The Township is interested in partnerships to foster this type of non-traditional recreation to provide greater opportunities in the community.



## MIKE LEVINE LAKELANDS TRAIL LINEAR STATE PARK

*Location: The trail traverses through Jackson, Ingham, and Livingston Counties. Entering Livingston County, the trail starts on the western boundary of Unadilla Township and follows closely along M-36 to the eastern boundary of Hamburg Township. Within Hamburg Township there are three trailheads. Pettysville Trailhead is located on the south side of the intersection of Pettysville Road and M-36, Merrill Trailhead is in West Bennett Park in the parking lot adjacent to Merrill Road, and Hamburg Village Trailhead is adjacent to the south of Winkelhaus Park.*

*Acreage: 33 miles extending between Hamburg Township and Blackman Township.*

*ADA Accessibility: 3*

*Classification: Linear State Park*

The Mike Levine Lakelands Trail runs 34 miles between Blackman Township in Jackson County and Hamburg Township in Livingston County. Opened to the public in 1994 as the Lakelands Trail State Park, it is a popular destination for people looking to enjoy the outdoors. Local philanthropist, Mike Levine, contributed extensive resources to transform the former railway corridor into an improved trail. In 2018, the DNR changed the trail's name to the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park in recognition of Mr. Levine's efforts.



The trail consists of eight (8) miles of paved asphalt surface while the remaining 25 miles are surfaced with crushed limestone, making it an accessible travel route. As a multiple-use trail, it is frequented by bikers, joggers, horseback riders, hikers, cross-country skiers, and rollerbladers. The trail traverses through pastures, natural hardwoods, picturesque wetlands, across streams and the popular Huron River.

Within Hamburg Township there are three trailheads: Pettysville Trailhead, Merrill Trailhead, and Hamburg Village Trailhead. Pettysville Trailhead features ADA and standard parking, benches, a bike rack, pump track, portable toilet, and informational kiosk. Merrill Trailhead includes ADA and standard parking, a portable toilet, and informational kiosk. Finally, Hamburg Village Trailhead has ADA and standard parking, an informational kiosk, and a bench.

The trail is a key component of the Great Lake to Lake Trails Route #1, which extends 275 miles from South Haven to Port Huron. It is an important link in proposed statewide trail systems that represent ongoing collaboration between communities, counties, and organizations.



MAP 9 – PETTYSVILLE TRAILHEAD





## PRIVATE PARKS AND FACILITIES

There are a number of privately owned recreation facilities located either within Hamburg Township or a short travel distance from the Township. Although these facilities are privately operated and may charge a user fee or require membership, they are considered in the plan analysis because they meet specific community needs. Private facilities include:

- Legacy Center: A sports complex that includes a wealth of services like wellness and fitness classes, organized adult and youth recreation, and travel and elite sports leagues, including soccer, baseball, softball, football, and volleyball.
- Bowling Alleys: Brighton Bowl, Howell Bowl-E-Drome, Chelsea Lanes, and Whitmore Lanes.
- Camps and Gymnastic and Fitness Clubs: Camp's include Birkett, Talahi, Crooked Creek Farm, DiBrova, Hamburg Fitness Center and Camp, and Varsity Day.
- Ice Skating: Ann Arbor Ice Cube, Arctic Coliseum, 140 Ice Den, Kensington Valley Ice House, Veterans Memorial Park Pool and Ice Rink, Yost Ice Arena.
- Golf Courses (Private/Members Only): Chemung Hills Country Club, Lakelands Golf and Country Club, Oak Pointe Country Club.
- Golf Courses (Open to the Public): Hawk Meadows Golf Course, Faulkwood Shores Golf Club, Huron Meadows Metropark Golf Course, Ironwood Golf Club, Kensington Metropark Golf Course, Majestic at Lake Walden, Moose Ridge Golf Course, Rush Lake Golf Course, Timber Trace Golf Club, Whispering Pines Golf Course.
- Miscellaneous Facilities: Brighton Riding Stable, Golf-o-Rama, Emrich Retreat Center, Howell Nature Center, Livingston County Wildlife and Conservation Club (A members only club providing Archery, Hunting, Gun Safety, Trap Shooting, Hunting and Boater Safety Classes, etc.), Mt. Brighton Ski Area, Rollerama II, Michigan Academy of Dance and Music, Whitmore Lake Rod and Gun Club, Portage Yacht Club Marina, UofM Sailing Club and the Hamburg disc golf course (publicly owned).



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## COMMUNITY INPUT

### OVERVIEW

One of the most important aspects of a community's Parks and Recreation Master Plan is the inclusion of the park user's opinions about how they view the future of their parks and recreation system. Such feedback is used to direct Township leadership on issues important to their constituency and prioritize future capital improvement projects. Given its impact, gathering meaningful public input was a focused strategy of the recreation planning process. The input received in the development stage of this plan guides the parks and recreation goals, objectives, and action items outlined in Chapter 6 of this document. To comply with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Guidelines for Development of Community Parks and Recreation Plans, Hamburg Township offered several public input opportunities including an online community input survey, a public open house input survey, a 30-day review period, and a public hearing.

A compilation of all the input received is located in Appendix B. A Summary of the various methods of input and feedback received is described in the following pages. The Plan was available for public comment during the required 30-day public review period held between November 16, 2022 and December 16, 2022. The Parks and Recreation Committee held a public hearing and recommended adoption of the Plan to the Township Board on January 3, 2023. The Township Board adopted the Plan on January 3, 2023.

### SURVEY RESULTS

The Hamburg Township Parks and Recreation Master Plan community-wide survey was available online from July 2022 to August 2022, under the web address [www.hamburgmirecreationsurvey.com](http://www.hamburgmirecreationsurvey.com). The community-wide survey received 621 responses. It was publicized with a variety of methods:

- Link on the Township website.
- Various Facebook posts on the Hamburg Township page and shared on numerous pages including the Hamburg Township Parks and Recreation page.
- Email blasts to Township staff, Township Board, various boards/commissions, and volunteer list.
- A press release in the local newspaper.
- Postcards with a QR code and the survey website address were placed at Township Offices, the Senior Center, Library, and local businesses.

Key points of the survey are summarized on the following pages, and the remaining tables developed for the report can be found in Appendix B.

Community Input  
Quotables. What Hamburg  
stakeholders are saying:

*"I like the variety of activities available, and the fact that Hamburg Township seems to actually maintain their parks and section of the Lakelands Trail."*

*"Add a couple splash pads and more dog parks."*

*"Absolutely love the parks. Given the size of our community, it's amazing to see everything the township has to offer. "*

*"Make the community more aware of the variety of facilities available here."*

*"The senior center is a wonderful facility. I love what they do for the seniors there. Julie is a great manager."*

*"More neighborhood trail access to Lakeland trail"*

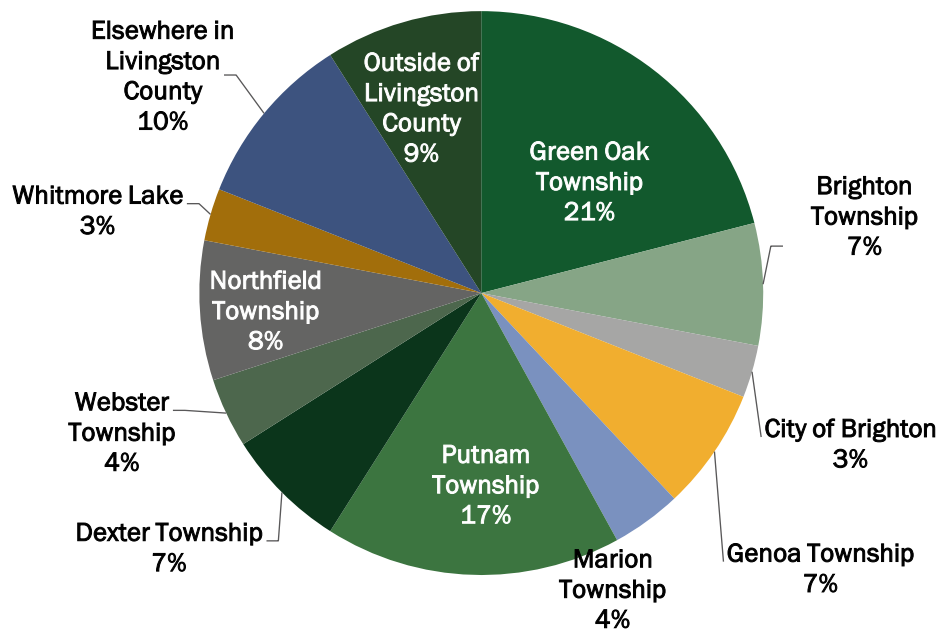
*"I am looking forward to the Levine Rail trail being connected to the island Lake trail system."*



## About the Respondents

There was a total of 621 respondents who participated in the survey. Respondents were not required to answer every question. Therefore, not all the questions have a total of 621 answers. To have a general understanding of who was taking the survey, the first questions were demographic questions about the respondents themselves. Respondents were asked to provide their relationship to the Township and their age. An overwhelming majority, 84 percent, of the respondents either live, own a business or own property in the Township and 16 percent did not. It is valuable to know where Township Park stakeholders live. Figure 2 depicts where those stakeholders who are not a resident and/or business or property owner in the Township live.

Figure 2 – Relationship to Hamburg Township



To understand more about the respondents, the survey asked respondents to select which age cohort they are a part of. The top respondent age cohorts were 60 to 69, at 29 percent, followed by 50 to 59 at 21.9 percent.

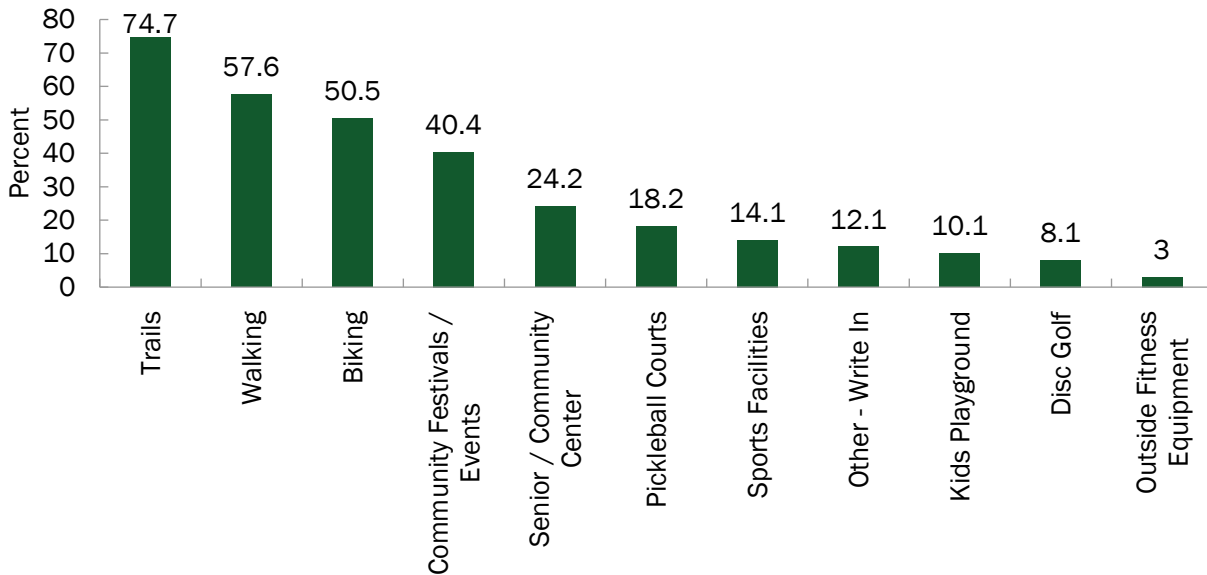
Table 8 – Age of Respondents

| Age Group    | Respondents |
|--------------|-------------|
| 18 and under | 0.2%        |
| 18-29        | 3.6%        |
| 30-39        | 12.9%       |
| 40-49        | 15.8%       |
| 50-59        | 21.9%       |
| 60-69        | 29.4%       |
| 70-79        | 13.9%       |
| 80 and older | 2.3%        |

## Park Activity

Respondents were asked how they used parks and open spaces in the Township. Eleven (11) options were presented, including an opportunity for “other-write in”. Respondents were encouraged to check all responses that applied to them. The use of trails, walking and biking came in as the top three (3) responses. A breakdown of the feedback received is provided in Figure 3, below.

Figure 3 – Park Activities



Next, respondents were asked how frequently they visited or used Township parks and facilities. The list included individual parks, amenities located within Manly Bennett Park as well as individual facilities, such as the Senior Center and Historical Museum. The Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park received the most daily and frequent usage. This data aligns with the Township's 2018 Plan and affirms that a significant portion of the population regularly utilize the trail system in the park. A summary of results are presented in Table 9 below, a full list of results can be found in Appendix B.

Table 9 – Park and Facility Usage

|   | Daily       | Frequently<br>(a couple of<br>times per<br>week) | Infrequently<br>(a couple of<br>times per<br>month) | Rarely (a<br>couple of<br>times per<br>year) | Never        | Responses |
|---|-------------|--|---|--|--------------|-----------|
| <b>Baseball Diamonds</b><br>Count<br>Percent                          | 15<br>2.6%  | 107<br>18.7%                                     | 88<br>15.4%   | 78<br>13.7%                                  | 283<br>49.6% | 571       |
| <b>Boardwalk</b><br>Count<br>Percent                                  | 17<br>3.0%  | 146<br>25.3%                                     | 191<br>33.2%  | 148<br>25.7%                                 | 74<br>12.8%  | 576       |
| <b>Mike Levine Lakelands<br/>Trail State Park</b><br>Count<br>Percent | 75<br>12.9% | 222<br>38.1%                                     | 152<br>26.1%  | 64<br>11.0%                                  | 69<br>11.9%  | 582       |
| <b>Playground - Baseball<br/>side</b><br>Count<br>Percent             | 4<br>0.7%   | 38<br>6.7%                                       | 59<br>10.4%   | 82<br>14.4%                                  | 387<br>67.9% | 570       |
| <b>Trailhead Parking</b><br>Count<br>Percent                          | 26<br>4.5%  | 162<br>28.2%                                     | 161<br>28.0%  | 106<br>18.4%                                 | 120<br>20.9% | 575       |

Respondents were then asked whether they, or a member of their household, played an organized sport. The question encouraged respondents to check all responses that applied to them. The top response was Pickleball (29.2%), and a number of write in responses were received. The top write in responses were: Tennis (6), Biking (5), Equestrian (4), None (5), and a tie between Disc Golf (3) and Mountain Biking (3). The remaining responses are summarized in Figure 4 below and a full list of write in responses can be found in Appendix B.

## Thoughts on Parks

The next five (5) questions in the survey sought opinions from respondents ranging from current conditions of the Township's parks to their vision for the future. Similar to the Township's 2018 Plan, a majority of respondents (62.9%) were satisfied with current park maintenance and appearance, as presented in Table 10 on the following page.



Table 10 – Current Park Opinion

|   | Satisfied    | Somewhat Satisfied | Neutral      | Unsatisfied | No Opinion/<br>Do Not Use | Responses |
|---|--------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------------|-----------|
| <b>Park Maintenance/<br/>Appearance</b><br>Count<br>Percent         | 379<br>62.9% | 122<br>20.2%       | 63<br>10.4%  | 11<br>1.8%  | 28<br>4.6%                | 603       |
| <b>Variety of<br/>Amenities/<br/>Facilities</b><br>Count<br>Percent | 279<br>46.5% | 162<br>27.0%       | 102<br>17.0% | 22<br>3.7%  | 35<br>5.8%                | 600       |
| <b>Safety and<br/>Security</b><br>Count<br>Percent                  | 351<br>58.7% | 121<br>20.2%       | 87<br>14.5%  | 13<br>2.2%  | 26<br>4.3%                | 598       |

Diverging from the Township's 2018 Survey, which noted 74% of respondents would support the acquisition of more parkland within the Township. Respondents noted that their number 1 priority would be to maintain existing parks and facilities, with the number 2 priority being to add facilities/amenities to the existing parks, and the lowest priority being to acquire more park space. This feedback is presented in Figure 4, below:

Figure 4 – Organized Sports Participation

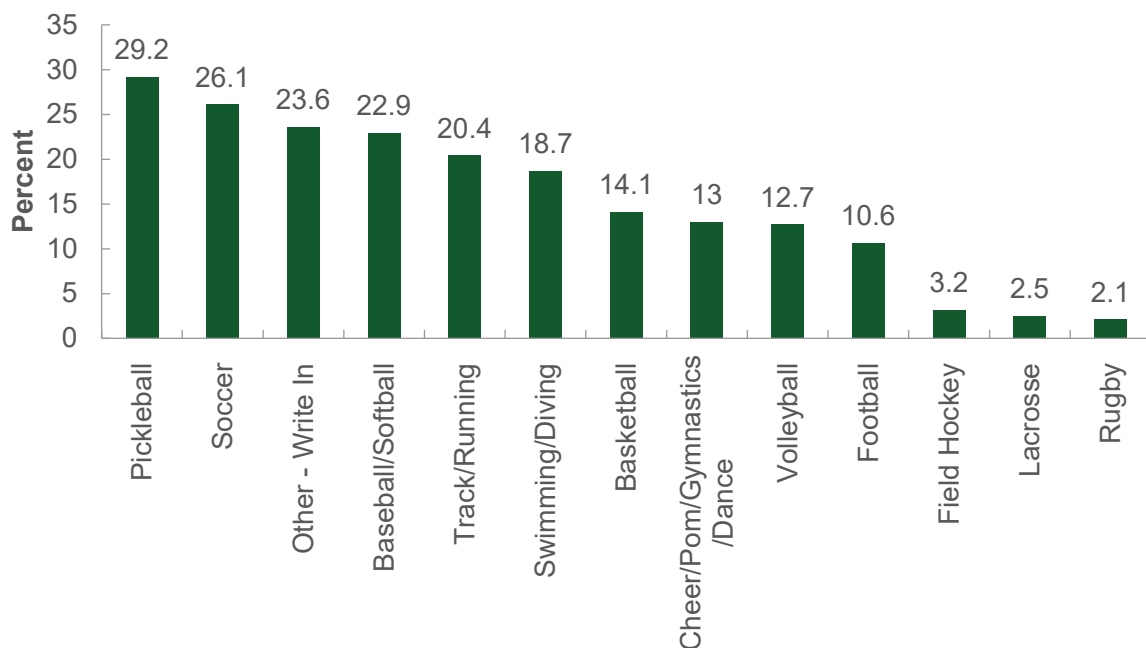



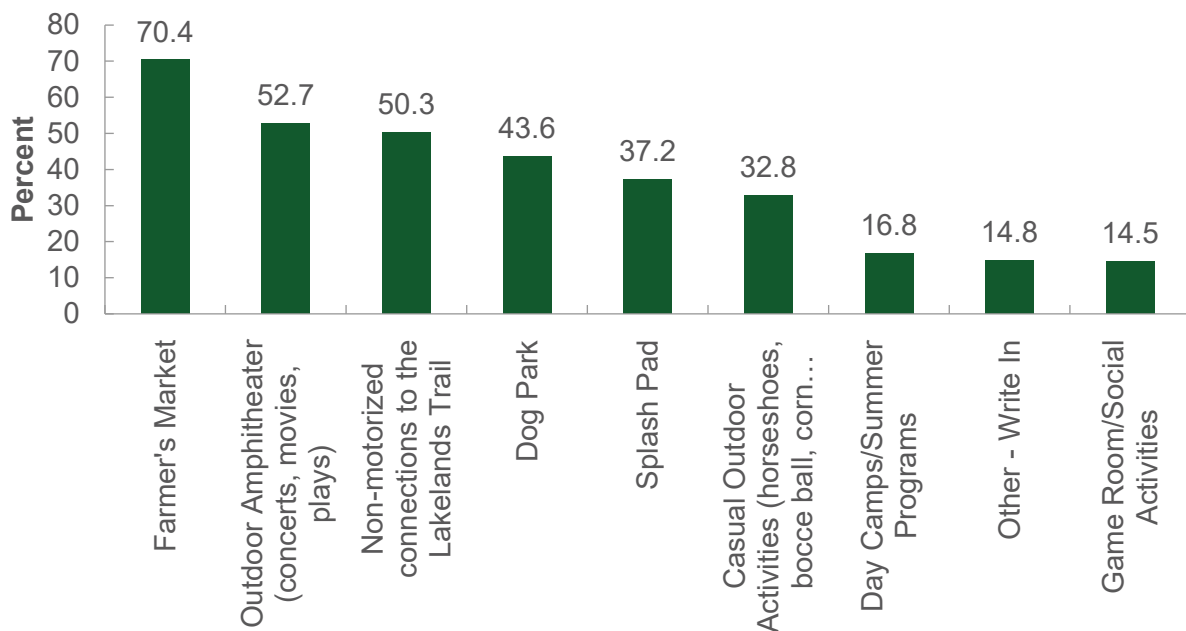


Table 11 – Future Park Priorities

| Item  | Overall Rank | Ranking  | Score | Total Respondents |
|---|--------------|--|-------|-------------------|
| <b>Maintain parks and facilities we have</b>          | 1            |  | 1,233 | 516               |
| <b>Add facilities/amenities to the existing parks</b> | 2            |  | 1,111 | 493               |
| <b>Acquire more park space</b>                        | 3            |   | 728   | 459               |

Respondents were next asked what new activities/amenities they would like to see added to the parks in Hamburg Township. Of the respondents, 70.4% would like to see a farmers' market. The remaining responses are presented below:

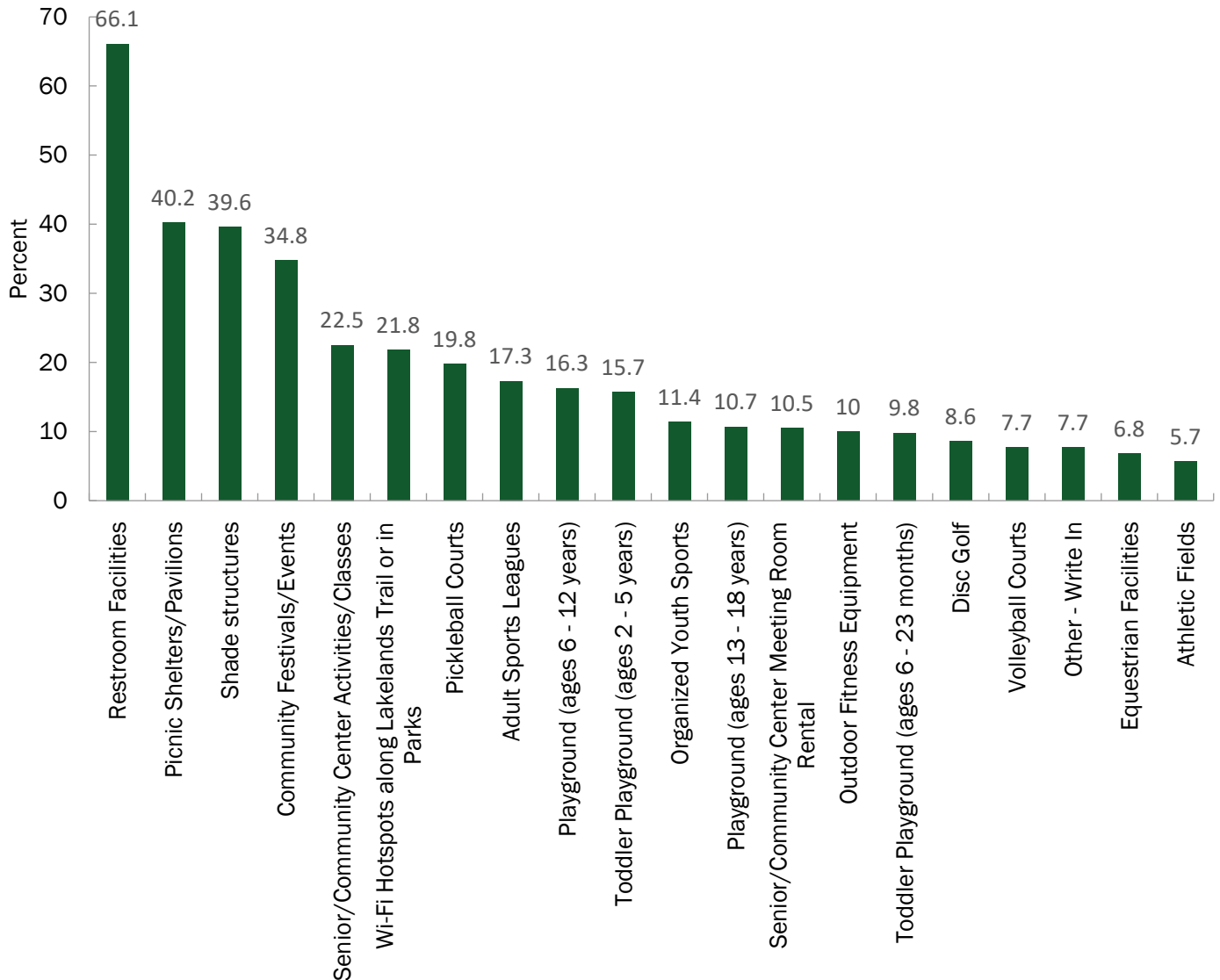
Figure 5 – New Amenities Requested



The top three (3) write-in responses were: Pickleball, Pool, and RC Car Track. a full list of results can be found in Appendix B.

Next, respondents were asked what existing activities/ amenities they would like to see added to the parks in Hamburg Township. Of the respondents, 66.1% would like to see additional restroom facilities. The remaining responses are presented below:

Figure 6 – Existing Amenities Requested



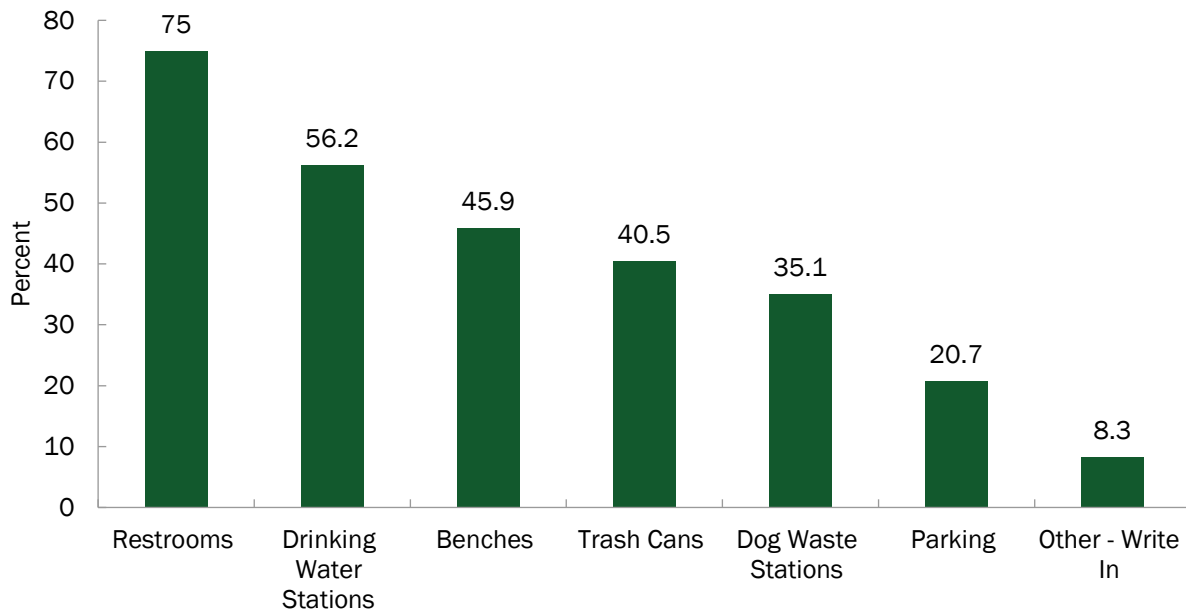
### Trails and Pathways

The Mike L. Levine Lakelands Trail State Park is a popular attraction for both residents of Hamburg Township, as well as those in neighboring communities. Similar to the Township's 2018 Survey, which noted 82% of respondents lived near or had access to the Lakelands Trail, the 2022 Survey 75% noted that they lived near or had access to the Lakelands Trail. In the 2022 survey, 11% did not know of and 14% stated that they did not live near or have access to the Lakelands Trail. Next, respondents were asked if their use of the Lakelands Trail would increase if they were able to access it from a trail link in their neighborhood. Sixty three percent of respondents said yes, while 37% of respondents stated no or that they didn't know/was not applicable.



The next question asked what improvements respondents would like to see at trailheads along the Mike L. Levine Lakelands Trail State Park. Respondents were encouraged to check all responses that applied to them. Additional restrooms and drinking water stations were the top requests. The top write in response were bike repair stations with six (6) write ins. The remaining responses are below.

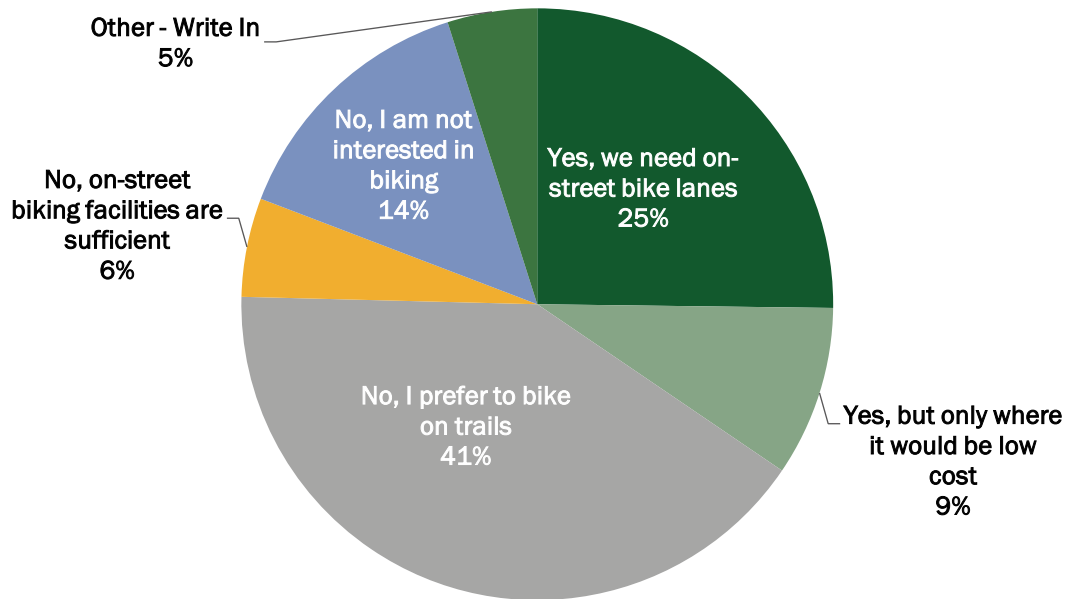
Figure 7 – Requested Improvements to the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park



The Township has recently adopted a complete streets policy, which encourages the implementation of non-motorized transportation routes in the community. In this vein, respondents were asked if the Township should plan for on street biking facilities. Results were mixed with 41% of respondents reporting “no, I prefer to bike on trails” and 34% of respondents reporting “yes, we need on street bike lanes” or “yes, but only where it would be low cost.” The remaining responses are below.



Figure 8 – On Street Biking Facilities



There was one open ended question relating to trails posed to the community. Respondents were asked the following: Along the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park and throughout the Township Parks, there are benches, trash cans, and dog waste stations. However, if you feel there is an area where these facilities are missing, where is that? The results were generally mixed; however, the top responses were:

- Additional benches
- Additional Drinking water
- Additional dog waste stations
- Restroom by Merrill Road
- Pettysville Road to Pinckney
- Additional trashcans



## Accessibility

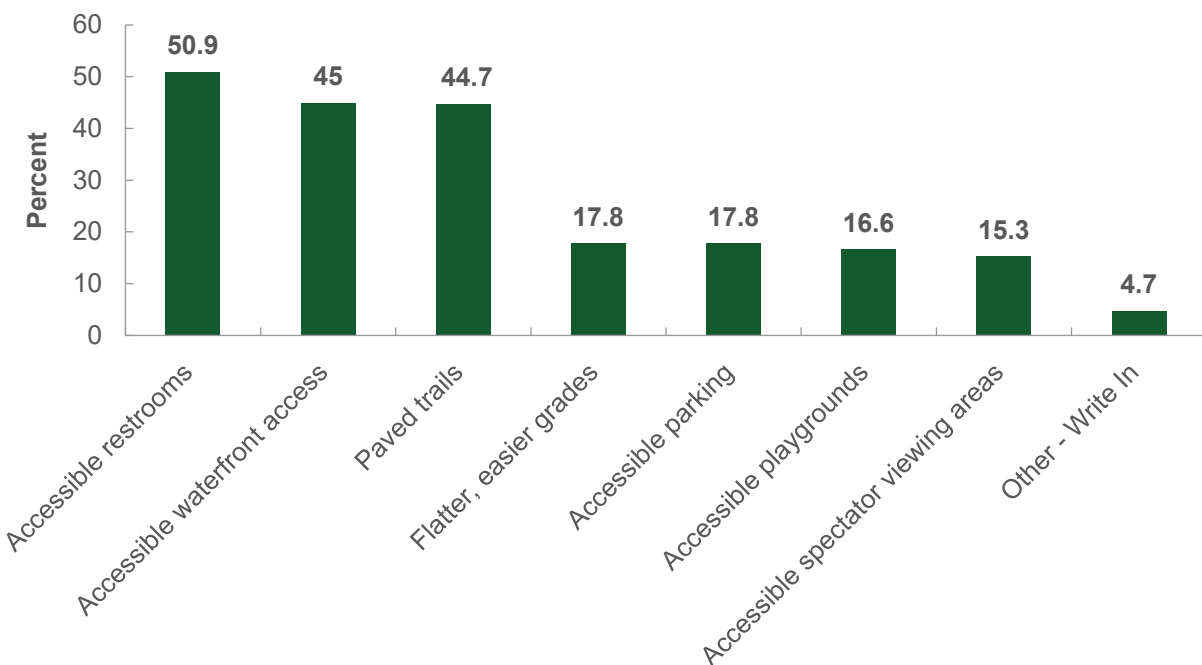
Understanding the makeup of the park users is a valuable tool for future park planning and ensuring that parks facilities are accessible to all residents, regardless of their background or ability. This is a priority that is continually addressed by Hamburg Township and particularly relevant given that 21% of the Township's is 65 or older and anticipated to grow. Respondents were asked whether they, or anyone in their household has a disability, 13% of respondents stated yes while the remaining 87% said no.

Of the 13% of respondents who answered yes, an open-ended question was posed asking what accessible amenities they, or the member of their household, would like to see in Hamburg Township Parks. The top responses were:

- Restrooms
- Access to playgrounds
- Access to trails
- Paths that are wheelchair and walker accessible

Then respondents were asked which accessible improvements should be undertaken. Fifty-point nine percent of respondents selected accessible restrooms. The remaining responses are below.

Figure 9 – Accessible Improvements



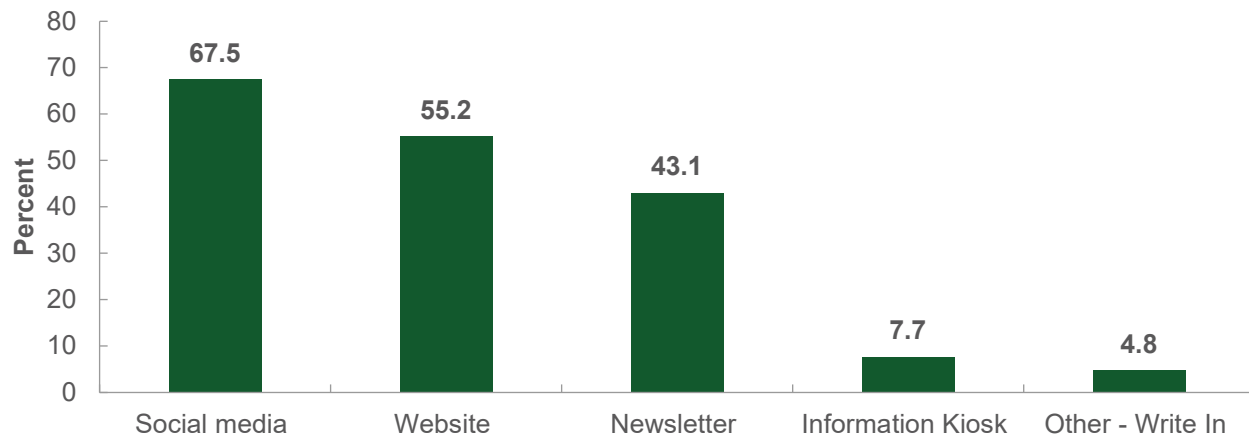


## Funding and Outreach

The final section of the survey posed questions specifically to Township residents and/or business or property owners. Respondents were first asked if they would support a mileage to expand or provide new park and recreation facilities/programming. Fifty nine percent of respondents answered yes while 41% stated no or that they didn't know/had no opinion.

Respondents were then asked what was the best way to receive updates/ information about Township parks? Most respondents (67.5%) stated social media was their preference. The most common write-in answer was email (6). The results are provided below.

Figure 10 – Outreach Methods



Of those who selected social media as their preferred method of communication, an additional question was posed asking which social media platform the Township should use. An overwhelming majority (98.2%) of respondents selected Facebook, while 24% of respondents selected Instagram, 9% selected Twitter, and 3.3% selected TikTok.

The last two questions posed to respondents were open ended, asking what they liked best about Hamburg Township parks and what was one thing that Hamburg Parks could improve. Many responses were provided for each question, the following summary represents the most common answers:

The Best thing about Hamburg Township Parks:

- Trails
- Good maintenance
- Safe
- Beautiful
- Variety of amenities
- Clean

One thing you would do to improve Hamburg Township Parks:

- Install a splash pad
- More restroom facilities
- Have a farmers' market
- More/ safer trail access
- Updated play equipment
- Install a dog park

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# GOALS & OBJECTIVES

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## GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Developing effective and achievable goals and objectives is an important part of the parks and recreation planning process. Overall, the Committee would like to provide high quality recreation opportunities for the community. More specific goals and objectives are based on the demographic characteristics of the population, the physical and environmental characteristics in Hamburg Township, and the input from the community.

Goals are the broadest level of ideas. By necessity, they are overarching and general. Objectives carry out the purpose of each goal. Finally, the Action Plan items are the most specific level. They identify specific projects and programs to be pursued over the next five years. Action Plan items can include organizational, staffing, programming, public information, and operation and maintenance actions. The Hamburg Township Parks and Recreation Committee formulated the following goals and objectives.

### GOAL #1: SAFETY AND SECURITY

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#### IMPROVE SECURITY & ALLEVIATE ANY CURRENT SAFETY CONCERNS AT PARK FACILITIES

*Objectives:*

- Update faulty or inadequate equipment on an ongoing basis in cooperation with the parkland user groups.
- Investigate the use of surveillance equipment in areas of parkland and Lakelands Trail where appropriate.
- Install new lighting for sports fields at Manly W. Bennett Memorial Park including an additional baseball field.
- Build a cyclone fence around West Bennett Park's soccer field #4 and between #6 & #7 to catch errant balls due to major topographical changes.
- Install safety and field barriers around the north end of the RC Field facility consisting of plantings and signage, 6-ft to 8-ft tall at the bleachers.
- Install security/safety lighting at sledding hill and the RC Field.

### GOAL #2: IMPROVE EXISTING FACILITIES

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#### IMPROVE AND MAINTAIN EXISTING FACILITIES ON A REGULAR AND CONTINUING BASIS

*Objectives:*

- Install benches and respite areas along Lakelands Trail and upgrade existing benches to include companion seating to conform to ADA standards.
- Screen existing portable restrooms or replace with composting vault toilets and develop a plan to upgrade restroom facilities at trailheads and Manly W Bennett Memorial Park East and West.
- Upgrade the electrical capacity at the concession stands.
- Install and support passive recreational activities.
- Upgrade nature trails in West Bennett Park to asphalt or crushed limestone to conform to Universal Access standards.

- Install wayfinding signage at the entrance to West Bennett Park, East Bennett Park, Trailheads, and municipal complex.
- Adhere to high standards of maintenance for all parks and recreation facilities.
- Develop and improve the trailheads with restrooms, paved parking, and picnic areas, etc.
- Upgrade existing sprinkler system in the park.
- Install a new pavilion at the Hamburg Village Trailhead near Winkelhaus Park and extend trailhead parking into grass area.
- Investigate future park facility options at the existing pump track at Pettysville Trailhead.
- Ensure that any grant funded park land remains open to public recreation use only.

### GOAL #3: MAXIMIZE THE DESIGN AND USE OF FACILITIES

#### FULLY DEVELOP AND UTILIZE PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES BASED ON THE MULTIPLE-USE CONCEPT, WHEREBY A VARIETY OF ACTIVE AND PASSIVE OPPORTUNITIES ARE PROVIDED IN EACH AREA OF THE PARK

##### *Objectives:*

- Develop accessible calendar of events/information signage and website.
- Include a variety of facilities within each park where feasible.
- Develop park sites to their optimal use in consideration of changing community needs and resource limitations.
- Maintain a logical balance between active and passive recreational pursuits in the parks.
- Develop a marketing strategy for facilities as well as programming for Parks and Recreation and Township recreation functions.
- Acquire scheduling software for parks facilities and community center and provide training for personnel scheduling park use.
- Convert underutilized areas of the park to support a greater variety of uses and review not less than an annual basis to maximize the efficiency of the sports fields.





## GOAL #4: EXPAND RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES

### CONTINUE TO PROVIDE THE NECESSARY RECREATION SERVICES TO ACCOMMODATE THE EXPANDING POPULATION OF HAMBURG TOWNSHIP

#### *Objectives:*

- Develop one additional sand volleyball court and pavilion at East Bennett Park and update existing area to better cater to leagues, events and passive recreation.
- Construct storage facilities to accommodate equipment for Football, Soccer, Baseball, and RC Field.
- Reconfigure the T-ball fields in East Bennett Park to maximize the efficiency of the facilities and to allow for parking to be developed. Consider a cloverleaf shape.
- Consider the addition of a splash pad.
- Explore the potential to physically connect the existing library and community center buildings with an addition and/or common area.
- Pursue the development of a natural amphitheater on Township parklands to support concerts, movies, and plays.
- Relocate baseball fields to open up space south of library.
- Foster a multi-generational Community Center.
- Create a multi-use recreational sports facility that can accommodate adults and youth.
- Work with library to provide an outdoor space for patrons.
- Monitor the need of possible expansion and future facilities at the sledding hill and pickleball courts.

## GOAL #5: PRESERVATION OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

### PROTECT NATURAL AND CULTURAL FEATURES, SUCH AS WOODED AREAS, WETLANDS, WILDLIFE HABITAT, NATURAL DRAINAGE WAYS, AND HISTORIC STRUCTURES AND FACILITIES

#### *Objectives:*

- Include native planting “vignettes” within the parklands and along the trails to help prevent soil erosion and increase stormwater infiltration, and to educate users on the plant and animal species present in the local area. Create a native prairie planting area with a nature trail in appropriate areas of the park.
- Preserve natural features on proposed park sites to the maximum extent feasible, in consideration of the proposed multiple-use character of the Township's parks.
- Support the efforts of the Amenities and Beautification Committee (ABC) to assist with planning, maintenance and development of gardens, nature trails, vignettes and wildlife habitats.
- Incorporate natural and historic resource protection, including protection of groundwater recharge areas, into the parks and recreation program whenever the opportunity presents itself.
- Include informational/interpretive signage in areas of significance as it relates to natural and historical resources.

## GOAL #6: FUNDING AND FISCAL OVERSIGHT

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### DEVELOP STABLE SOURCES OF FUNDING AND PRACTICE SOUND FISCAL MANAGEMENT OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION SYSTEM

*Objectives:*

- Pursue all available funding sources for capital improvements and operations and maintenance, including local sources, state and federal grant programs, local businesses, and other sources.
- Explore opportunities for greater private sector participation in the provision of recreation and leisure services in the Township.
- Continue to cooperate and interact with all other community recreation organizations in providing recreation resources in order to avoid duplication of services and make efficient use of public funds and lands.

## GOAL #7: QUALITY OF DESIGN

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### PROVIDE HIGH QUALITY PARKS & RECREATION FACILITIES

*Objectives:*

- Complete the ADA transition plan recommendations and adhere to those standards when planting new features, to maintain high quality accessibility standards.
- Design well-built parks and recreation facilities and equipment with quality materials that will reduce routine maintenance costs.
- Consider the cost of maintenance and operation in designing new recreation facilities.
- When planning and developing a park site, consider its overall appearance and its potential impact on adjoining uses and the surrounding neighborhood.
- Design future parks in Hamburg Township to be symbiotic with the environment on and surrounding the park sites.
- Design the parks so they enhance the aesthetic quality and cultural values of the Township.

## GOAL #8: CONTINUE TO BE A REGIONAL RECREATION DESTINATION

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### PROVIDE RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES THAT ARE EITHER UNAVAILABLE OR INACCESSIBLE TO RESIDENTS IN THE REGION

*Objectives:*

- Consider equestrian amenities at Pettysville Trailhead in support of equestrian activities.
- Expand the community garden at the Senior Community Center.
- Develop linking paths, greenways, and complete streets to provide better access to amenities.
- Review regional recreation opportunities and determine a deficiency in level of service and consider adding those identified amenities to the Township parks.

## GOAL #9: TRANSPORTATION AND ACCESS

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### IMPROVE ACCESS AND MULTI-MODAL TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS TO PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES

*Objectives:*

- Develop a safe pedestrian connection across Merrill Road to connect the east and west sides of Manly W. Bennett Memorial Park.
- Pave Manly W. Bennett Memorial Park and Lakelands Trail gravel parking lots and bring accessible parking into compliance with the current ADA standards in all areas.
- Connect the Lakelands Trail with parking areas wherever appropriate.
- Develop biking/hiking path systems to meet the alternate transportation, scenic, and athletic needs of the Township.
- Provide pedestrian and bicycle paths separate from the vehicular routes to create safe and accessible circulation to and within all parks.
- Utilize natural feature areas as connections between parks and recreation facilities.
- Work with Planning Commission and Zoning Department to consider pedestrian connections to recreation properties and trails when approving site plans for new subdivisions, PUDs, or other appropriate land uses.
- Work with school system to obtain Safe Routes to School status.
- Promote new recreation opportunities and access points associated with the Huron River Water Trail and enhance the existing access point at Halls Creek.
- Develop secondary connections to Lakelands Trail, both with the existing Township and State Park facilities and from the community at large.

## GOAL #10: RECREATION PROGRAMMING

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### WORK WITH PINCKNEY COMMUNITY EDUCATION, THE HAMBURG LIBRARY, THE HAMBURG SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER, HAMBURG HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM AND OUR OTHER COMMUNITY PARTNERS TO DEVELOP, IMPROVE, AND OFFER A COMPREHENSIVE RANGE OF RECREATION PROGRAMS.

*Objectives:*

- Promote and implement recreation programming at parks, in cooperation with all community recreation organizations who offer their services.
- Encourage programs to serve the changing demographics of the Township, including passive and active recreation programs, instructional programs, sports leagues, adaptive recreation programs, and other programs to address the varied interests of residents.
- Encourage programs which address the needs of special segments of the population, such as senior citizens, persons with disabilities, and youth.

## GOAL #11: PLANNING

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### MAINTAIN AN ONGOING PARKS AND RECREATION PLANNING PROCESS

#### *Objectives:*

- Review and update the parks and recreation plan, particularly the five-year capital improvement plan, during the budget cycle.
- Provide for citizen input in recreation planning and decision-making.
- Adopt a current Parks and Recreation plan no less than every five years.
- Work with the Township Board to develop an annual budget to meet park and recreation needs.
- Parks and Recreation Committee and staff to develop Capital Improvements Plan/ project list for consideration by Township Board annually.

## GOAL #12: LAND ACQUISITION

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### WHEN APPROPRIATE, IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITIES TO PRESERVE LAND FOR RECREATIONAL, EDUCATIONAL, AND ENVIRONMENTAL PRESERVATION PURPOSES.

#### *Objectives:*

- Remain open to opportunities to expand parks and recreation options in the Township in a manner that is not in detriment to the existing facilities and responsibilities.
- Prioritize access to high quality natural features such as water bodies, wetlands, and wooded areas.
- Prioritize non-motorized transportation connections to existing recreation facilities.
- Acquire more park land to support nature trails and access to water.
- As the Township develops, acquire additional land for future park development to provide a more uniform geographic distribution of facilities.





## ACTION PLAN

With goals and objectives in place, Hamburg Township has developed an accompanying 5-Year Action Plan that will enable the Township to move toward accomplishing the goals and objectives outlined in the Recreation Plan. The action program is used to highlight specific projects which will maintain and improve the quality and diversity of amenities in the parks.

Potential projects are shown in Table 13 on the following page. Each of these action items relates to one or more of the goals from the previous Goals and Objectives Section. They have each been assigned a priority level of 1, 2, or 3. The potential capital improvements that are listed in Table 13 have been established to provide a framework for decision makers, and to enable the Township to apply for grant funding for those proposed projects.

The project list is not a fixed element, nor is it exhaustive. It reflects the results of the input received from the Township staff, the public hearing, and the online survey. Future circumstances, especially availability of funding, may influence the order in which the projects are completed.

Table 12 – Action Table Key

| Action Item List - Key |                    |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| Timeframe              |                    |
| Short-range            | 0 - 2 Years        |
| Mid-range              | 3 - 5 Years        |
| Long-range             | 5 + Years          |
| Ongoing                | Ongoing            |
| Funding Sources        |                    |
| TF                     | Township Funds     |
| G                      | Grants             |
| PD                     | Private Donations  |
| CP                     | Community Partners |
| V                      | Volunteers         |

Table 13 –Five Year Action Table

| GENERAL PARK AND GROUND IMPROVEMENTS  |                                 |             |                  |
|---|---------------------------------|-------------|------------------|
| IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION   | FACILITY                        | TIMEFRAME   | FUNDING SOURCES  |
| <b>Manly W. Bennett Park</b>  |                                 |             |                  |
| Install water bottle filling stations at restrooms  | Manly Bennett Park              | 3 - 5 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Construct a dog park  | Manly Bennett Park              | 3 - 5 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Buy scheduling software & provide staff training  | Manly Bennett Park              | 0 - 2 Years | G, TF            |
| Design and install an unified wayfinding signage system including an informational kiosk & campus map                     | Manly Bennett Park              | 0 - 2 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Provide bike racks/bike repair stations and rental  | Manly Bennett Park              | 5 + Years   | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Identify an area for development of outdoor amphitheater for community events, movies, and music in the park              | Manly Bennett Park              | 5 + Years   | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Storage building for Building and Grounds, Parks, and Senior/Community Center   | Manly Bennett Park              | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            |
| Find a viable solution for restroom facilities in parklands (including concession stand)                                  | Manly Bennett Park              | Ongoing     | TF, G            |
| Design and install additional pickleball courts   | Manly Bennett Park              | 0 - 2 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Install a universally accessible play area (60x60) - to replace the existing playgrounds and ensure safety/ADA compliance | Manly Bennett Park              | 0 - 2 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Purchase Sporting Equipment, if necessary   | Manly Bennett Park              | Ongoing     | TF, CP, G, PD    |
| Install a reading pavilion near the Library   | Manly Bennett - East            | 5 + Years   | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Maintain parking area with future replacement of barriers/posts   | Manly Bennett - East            | Ongoing     | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Construct a storage/office facility   | Manly Bennett - East            | 5 + Years   | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Designate a sledding hill area  | Manly Bennett - East            | 0 - 2 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Install electricity to all backstops  | Manly Bennett - East - Baseball | 3 - 5 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Install new lighting at an additional baseball field  | Manly Bennett - East - Baseball | 5 + Years   | G, TF, CP, PD    |
| Install irrigation at baseball fields with Midway project   | Manly Bennett - East - Baseball | 5 + Years   | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Design and install a splash pad in the Midway   | Manly Bennett - East - Midway   | 5 + Years   | G, TF, CP, PD, V |

| GENERAL PARK AND GROUND IMPROVEMENTS   |  |                      |                  |
|--|--|----------------------|------------------|
| IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION  | FACILITY                               | TIMEFRAME            | FUNDING SOURCES  |
| <b>Manly W. Bennett Park</b>   |  |                      |                  |
| Install lawn games such as cornhole, bocce ball, checkers, and horseshoes in the Midway area | Manly Bennett - East - Midway          | 5 + Years            | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Install Flyer's Runway safety screening  | Manly Bennett - East - RC Field        | 0 - 2 Years          | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Install a picnic pavilion w/ storage at RC Field   | Manly Bennett - East - RC Field        | 0 - 2 Years          | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Install new security lighting at RC Field  | Manly Bennett - East - RC Field        | 3 - 5 Years          | G, TF, CP, PD    |
| Install irrigation at RC Field   | Manly Bennett - East - RC Field        | 5 + Years            | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Construct a RC truck track   | Manly Bennett - East - RC Field        | 0 - 2 Years          | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Construct an Additional Sand Volleyball Court  | Manly Bennett - East - Volleyball      | 5 + Years            | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Construct a storage/office facility  | Manly Bennett - West                   | 5 + Years            | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Complete the West Park loop with pavement and/or other accessible surfacing                  | Manly Bennett - West                   | 3 - 5 Years          | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Design and install phase 2 of adult fitness station  | Manly Bennett - West - Fitness Station | 5 + Years            | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| <b>Winkelhaus Park</b>   |  |                      |                  |
| If available, acquire park property  | Winkelhaus Park - Leased               | 5 + Years            | TF, G, PD        |
| Construct stairway from park down to Village Trailhead parking                               | Winkelhaus Park - Leased               | 5 + Years            | TF, G, PD        |
| <b>Mike L. Levine Lakelands Trail State Park</b>   |  |                      |                  |
| Secondary Connections from neighborhoods and businesses to Lakelands Trail                   | Lakelands Trail                        | 3 - 5 Years, Ongoing | TF, G            |
| Unified Signage and Wayfinding System  | Lakelands Trail                        | 0 - 2 Years          | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Identify and install equestrian amenities  | Lakelands Trail                        | 5 + Years            | G, TF, PD, V     |
| Provide/maintain dog waste stations along trail  | Lakelands Trail                        | Ongoing              | TF, G, PD        |
| Investigate composting/vault toilets at trailheads   | Lakelands Trail                        | 5 + Years            | TF, G, PD        |
| Relocate/Update Amenities, when needed   | Lakelands Trail                        | Ongoing              | TF, G, PD        |
| Replace Huron River Bridge, investigate bridge types (free span)                             | Lakelands Trail                        | 0 - 2 Years          | G, TF, PD, V     |

| GENERAL PARK AND GROUND IMPROVEMENTS  |                             |             |                  |
|---|-----------------------------|-------------|------------------|
| IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION   | FACILITY                    | TIMEFRAME   | FUNDING SOURCES  |
| Cont. Mike L. Levine Lakelands Trail State Park   |                             |             |                  |
| Replace small pedestrian bridge (behind Carpet Depot)   | Lakelands Trail             | 0 - 2 Years | G, TF, PD, V     |
| Provide ADA picnic tables, parking, and access to restrooms   | Merrill Trailhead           | 3 - 5 Years | PD, V, G, TF     |
| Senior/Community Center   |                             |             |                  |
| Install game tables, Interior and Exterior  | Senior/Community Center     | 3 - 5 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Develop an all ages Community Center - either in cooperative effort with other organizations or with expansion of existing facilities | Senior/Community Center     | 5 + Years   | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Install ADA auto-access doors to patio  | Senior/Community Center     | 0 - 2 Years | G, TF, CP        |
| Provide shade over outdoor patio  | Senior/Community Center     | 0 - 2 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Upgrade flooring  | Senior/Community Center     | 0 - 2 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Investigate maximizing building space to accommodate programming and office space   | Senior/Community Center     | 3 - 5 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Consider an addition to the senior center - connecting to the library   | Senior/Community Center     | 5 + Years   | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| General Parks and Grounds Improvements  |                             |             |                  |
| Support farmer's market effort  | Township Grounds & Gardens  | 5 + Years   | PD, V            |
| Repair clock tower and upgrade plantings  | Township Grounds & Gardens  | 5 + Years   | TF, CP, PD, V    |
| Provide upgraded garbage cans & enclosed dumpsters for parklands  | Parklands and Trail Systems | 3 - 5 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Find a viable solution for restroom facilities in parklands   | Parklands and Trail Systems | Ongoing     | G, TF, CP, PD    |
| Install picnic pavilions  | Parklands and Trail Systems | 5 + Years   | G, TF, CP, PD    |
| Install new lighting  | Parklands and Trail Systems | 5 + Years   | G, TF, PD, RP    |
| Install surveillance equipment  | Parklands and Trail Systems | 5 + Years   | G, TF, RP, PD, V |
| Complete all projects on the ADA priority list  | System-wide improvements    | Ongoing     | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Wi-Fi Access at Parklands, Winkelhaus Park, and Lakelands Trail Trailhead   | Parklands and Trail Systems | 3 - 5 Years | G, TF, CP, PD    |
| Develop walking trail for park/nature area adjacent to future dog park  | Parklands and Trail Systems | 3 - 5 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V |



| GENERAL PARK AND GROUND IMPROVEMENTS  |                             |             |                  |
|---|-----------------------------|-------------|------------------|
| IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION   | FACILITY                    | TIMEFRAME   | FUNDING SOURCES  |
| Cont. General Parks and Grounds Improvements  |                             |             |                  |
| Investigate and design non-motorized transportation routes that connect to Brighton Recreation Area   | System-wide improvements    | 5 + Years   | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Purchase/operate access to River/Lakes/Livery - to support Huron Water Trail in Hamburg Township      | Future Acquisition          | Ongoing     | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Purchase/operate Rush Lake Golf Course property for potential park revenue                            | Future Acquisition          | Ongoing     | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Amenities and Beautification Committee  |                             |             |                  |
| Construct benches with companion seating along Lakelands Trail/Trailheads                             | Lakelands Trail             | Ongoing     | V, PD, TF, G     |
| Install flora identification signs/interpretive signage along trail                                   | Lakelands Trail             | Ongoing     | V, PD, TF, G     |
| Install bike racks/bike repair stations   | Lakelands Trail             | 0 - 2 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V |
| Develop an Amenities and Beautification Committee and support the Volunteer force for garden projects | Parklands and Trail Systems | Ongoing     | V, PD, TF, G     |
| Install public art in gardens and along trail   | Parklands and Trail Systems | Ongoing     | G, CP, PD, V     |
| Construct benches with companion seating along Lakelands Trail/Trailheads                             | Lakelands Trail             | Ongoing     | V, PD, TF, G     |



Table 14 – ADA Accessibility Projects – ADA Transition Plan

| ADA Accessibility Projects - ADA Transition Plan   |                                 |             |                  |                          |                   |
|--|---------------------------------|-------------|------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Improvement Description  | Facility                        | Timeframe   | Funding Sources  | ADA Transition Plan Item | ADA Priority Code |
| <b>Manly Bennett Park</b>  |                                 |             |                  |                          |                   |
| Provide companion Seating at all diamonds  | East Bennett Park - Baseball    | 3 - 5 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 2                 |
| Provide accessible route from parking to seating and dugouts - Midway  | East Bennett Park - Baseball    | 3 - 5 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 2                 |
| Provide accessible picnic tables and surface   | East Bennett Park - Concession  | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 2                 |
| Provide accessible route & height for grill - Midway   | East Bennett Park - Concession  | 3 - 5 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 2                 |
| Design and construct Midway to allow ADA access to facilities/fields   | East Bennett Park - Midway      | 0 - 2 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V | Yes                      | 1                 |
| Create new parking area for t-ball (approx. 90 cars with accessible route) Reconfiguration of t-ball may be required | East Bennett Park - T-ball      | 0 - 2 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V | Yes                      | 1                 |
| Provide accessible picnic tables and surface   | Manly Bennett - East - RC Field | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 2                 |
| Provide van/accessible parking in existing lot   | East Bennett Park - RC Field    | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 1                 |
| Provide accessible route from parking to common areas  | East Bennett Park - RC Field    | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 1                 |
| Provide accessible route from parking to seating   | East Bennett Park - Rugby       | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 1                 |
| Provide van/accessible parking in existing lot   | East Bennett Park - Rugby       | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 2                 |
| Provide van/accessible parking in existing lot   | East Bennett Park - Volleyball  | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 1                 |
| Provide accessible route from parking to volleyball court  | East Bennett Park - Volleyball  | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 1,2               |
| Provide van/accessible parking in existing lot   | West Bennett Park               | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 1                 |
| Fill gaps in walking path  | West Bennett Park               | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 1                 |

| ADA Accessibility Projects - ADA Transition Plan  |                          |             |                  |                          |                   |
|---|--------------------------|-------------|------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Improvement Description   | Facility                 | Timeframe   | Funding Sources  | ADA Transition Plan Item | ADA Priority Code |
| <b>Manly Bennett Park</b>   |                          |             |                  |                          |                   |
| Provide accessible route from sidewalks to common areas   | West Bennett Park        | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 1,2               |
| Pave existing soccer gravel lot (280 cars)/Add ADA parking  | West Bennett Park        | 0 - 2 Years | G, TF, PD        | Yes                      | 1                 |
| Design and construct west Midway/To allow ADA access to facilities/fields   | West Bennett Park        | 0 - 2 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V | Yes                      | 1                 |
| <b>Winkelhaus Park</b>  |                          |             |                  |                          |                   |
| Provide accessible parking (including van accessible)   | Winkelhaus Park - Leased | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 1                 |
| Provide accessible route to horseshoe pit   | Winkelhaus Park - Leased | 3 - 5 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 2                 |
| Provide accessible route/ramp to gazebo   | Winkelhaus Park - Leased | 3 - 5 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 2                 |
| Provide accessible picnic tables and surface  | Winkelhaus Park - Leased | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 2                 |
| Construct accessible trail  | Winkelhaus Park - Leased | 3 - 5 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 2                 |
| <b>Lakelands Trail</b>  |                          |             |                  |                          |                   |
| Improve cub scout pack 391 picnic respite   | Lakelands Trail          | 0 - 2 Years | V, PD, CP        | Yes                      | 1                 |
| Relocate/Update Amenities - i.e.: move Doggie bags closer to sidewalk, provide companion seating near benches, etc. | Lakelands Trail          | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 2,3,4             |
| Provide accessible route to portable toilets  | Pettysville Trailhead    | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 1                 |
| Provide accessible route to kiosk   | Pettysville Trailhead    | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 2                 |
| Add Parking/ADA parking   | Pettysville Trailhead    | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 1                 |

| ADA Accessibility Projects - ADA Transition Plan   |                                |             |                  |                          |                   |
|--|--------------------------------|-------------|------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Improvement Description  | Facility                       | Timeframe   | Funding Sources  | ADA Transition Plan Item | ADA Priority Code |
| <b>Cont. Lakelands Trail</b>   |                                |             |                  |                          |                   |
| Provide accessible route to Pump Track if maintained as such - Long Range plans could include development into Skate Park or re- development into Dog Park | Pettysville Trailhead          | 3 - 5 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 2                 |
| Upgrade trail alongside Merrill RR   | Merrill Trailhead              | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 1                 |
| Relocate/Update Amenities, when needed   | Village Trailhead              | 3 - 5 Years | TF, G, PD        | Yes                      | 2,3,4             |
| <b>Senior/Community Center</b>   |                                |             |                  |                          |                   |
| Upgrade to hi/lo drinking fountain   | Senior/Community Center        | 5 + Years   | TF, G            | Yes                      | 4                 |
| Upgrade interior amenities, relocate items   | Senior/Community Center        | 3 - 5 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 2,3,4             |
| Construct walkways from complex to Lakelands Trail   | Senior/Community Center        | 0 - 2 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V | Yes                      | 1                 |
| <b>Township Grounds</b>  |                                |             |                  |                          |                   |
| Construct Merrill Road E/W under/overpass  | Parklands and Trail Systems    | 0 - 2 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V | Yes                      | 1                 |
| <b>ABC</b>   |                                |             |                  |                          |                   |
| Upgrades to amenities and trail at all intersections   | Lakelands Trail                | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 1                 |
| Develop respite areas along trail  | Lakelands Trail                | 0 - 2 Years | G, TF, V, PD     | Yes                      | 1                 |
| <b>Potentially Funded Projects</b>   |                                |             |                  |                          |                   |
| Fill gaps and correct drop in walking path   | East Bennett Park - Playground | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 1                 |
| Provide accessible route from path to sand surface or provide interactive play equipment - Midway  | East Bennett Park - Playground | 3 - 5 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 2                 |
| Provide ramp, ground level play equipment - Playground Upgrade   | East Bennett Park - Playground | 3 - 5 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 2                 |
| Relocate AED Unit  | East Bennett Park - Concession | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 1,2               |
| Relocate/Remove concession counters  | East Bennett Park - Concession | 3 - 5 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 2                 |



| ADA Accessibility Projects - ADA Transition Plan  |                                |             |                  |                          |                   |
|---|--------------------------------|-------------|------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Improvement Description   | Facility                       | Timeframe   | Funding Sources  | ADA Transition Plan Item | ADA Priority Code |
| Cont. Potentially Funded Projects   |                                |             |                  |                          |                   |
| Relocate AED Unit   | West Bennett Park - Concession | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 1,2               |
| Repair and seal existing paths at Soccer Fields/provide ADA access to amenities                                     | West Bennett Park              | 0 - 2 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V | Yes                      | 1                 |
| Expand and pave existing paths to rear of Soccer Fields (currently gravel)  | West Bennett Park              | 0 - 2 Years | G, TF, CP, PD, V | Yes                      | 1                 |
| Provide accessible route from parking to sidewalk   | West Bennett Park              | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 1                 |
| Relocate/Remove concession counters   | West Bennett Park - Concession | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 1,2               |
| Restroom upgrades   | West Bennett Park - Concession | 3 - 5 Years | TF, G, CP, PD    | Yes                      | 3,4               |
| Playground upgrades/ongoing until entire structure can be replaced/ includes wood fiber maintenance and inspections | West Bennett Park              | 3 - 5 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 2                 |
| Provide accessible route from parking to sidewalk   | West Bennett Park              | 0 - 2 Years | TF, G            | Yes                      | 1                 |



## PLANNING PROCESS

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## PROCESS

In a continuing effort to provide quality recreational opportunities for its citizens, Hamburg Township has developed this Parks and Recreation Master Plan as a tool to guide the development of community parks and recreational facilities over the next five years. This Plan is an update of the Township's most recent plan which was adopted in 2017. The Plan will provide the Township eligibility for grants from the MDNR to assist the community in reaching its recreational goals.

Hamburg Township contracted with Spicer Group of Saginaw, Michigan to assist with the completion of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The consultant met with the Township staff and Parks and Recreation Committee several times during the development of the Plan.

During the development of the Plan, three opportunities for input, participation, and review were provided:

- Online community input survey that was available from July to August 2022
- Community visioning session held on August 29, 2022.
- 30-day review period beginning November 16, 2022 through December 16, 2022, and a public hearing held on January 3, 2023.

The plan was also discussed at several committee and board meetings between October 2021 and July of 2022.

Based upon the existing information and public input, the Township developed the goals and objectives for parks and recreation for the next five years. Then, the Township developed an action program to accomplish the goals and objectives of the plan.

## REVIEW AND ADOPTION

Spicer Group completed a draft Parks and Recreation Master Plan which was subsequently available for review at the Township Offices and on the Township's website. The review period from November 16, 2022 through December 16, 2022, was publicized on the Township website, Facebook page, and the local Cable television channel, Station 191 through Charter Spectrum. The final opportunities for community input occurred at the advertised public hearings held prior to the adoption of the Plan at the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting on January 3, 2023, and again later that night at the Township Board meeting on January 3, 2023. After the January 3, 2023 public hearing, the Parks and Recreation Committee passed a motion recommending the Township Board adopt the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The Plan was transmitted to the Township Board for its review. The Hamburg Township Board passed a resolution to adopt the Plan at the Township Board meeting on January 3, 2023. Copies of the Plan were transmitted to Livingston County and the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments. The Plan was uploaded to the DNR for approval in January of 2023. Copies of the notification advertisements, the public hearing minutes, and the resolution are included in Appendix I.



# APPENDIX

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## APPENDIX A

### GRANT HISTORY



GRANT HISTORY

Grantee

Hamburg Township - Livingston County

**Project No.** 26-01104 B **Project County:** Livingston **Project Year:** 1980  
**Project title:** Manly W Bennett Memorial Park  
**Project Status:** Grant Closed **Grant Amount:** \$25,000.00

Scope Item

Concession/restroom building  
Landscaping  
Parking area  
Permanent LWCF plaque  
Water, sewage disposal and electricity to building

**Project Description:** Concession/restroom building with water, sewage disposal and electricity, site restoration and landscaping, parking area, LWCF plaque

**Project No.** 26-01274 **Project County:** Livingston **Project Year:** 1983  
**Project title:** Merrill Field  
**Project Status:** Grant Closed **Grant Amount:** \$29,133.00

Scope Item

**Project Description:** Landscaping, entrance signs, road and parking lot improvements, play structure asphalt walkway, litter barrels, bleachers, service gate and LWCF sign

**Project No.** BF89-092 **Project County:** Livingston **Project Year:** 1989  
**Project title:** Manly W. Bennett Memorial Field  
**Project Status:** Grant Closed **Grant Amount:** \$100,800.00

Scope Item



GRANT HISTORY

Grantee

Hamburg Township - Livingston County

- 2 ballfield lighting
- 2 basketball courts
- 2 batting cages
- 2 tennis courts
- 4 shuffleboard courts
- 4" well
- 9 bleachers
- Division A soccer field
- Division B soccer field
- Parking lot
- Picnic pavilion
- Picnic tables
- Playground equipment

**Project Description:** Soccer, baseball, tennis, playground and picnic facility development.

**Project No.** CM99-077 **Project County:** Livingston **Project Year:** 1999

**Project title:** Manly W. Bennett Park

**Project Status:** Grant Closed **Grant Amount:** \$247,000.00

Scope Item

- Boardwalk, 600'
- Fishing Dock
- Nature Trails, 8,000'
- Paved Trails, 8' Wide, 3,800'
- Picnic Shelters w/ storage shed
- Picnic Tables
- Playground Equipment

**Project Description:** Park improvements to include the addition of a network of trails linking Bennett Park with the Huron River and the Lakeland Trail and the addition of fishing and picnic facilities and playground equipment.

**Project No.** TF13-014 **Project County:** Livingston **Project Year:** 2013

**Project title:** Lakelands Trail Access Improvements

**Project Status:** Grant Closed **Grant Amount:** \$125,400.00

Scope Item



GRANT HISTORY

Grantee

Hamburg Township - Livingston County

- Amenities
- Driveway and parking lot
- Pave 0.5-miles of trail
- Restoration

**Project Description:** This project is a universally accessible development project including a a trailhead and half-mile paved extension of the 26-mile Lakelands Trail which is the last remaining unpaved section in the township. The trailhead includes parking and informational kiosk.

|                       |                             |                        |            |                      |             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|------------|----------------------|-------------|
| <b>Project No.</b>    | TF20-0145                   | <b>Project County:</b> | Livingston | <b>Project Year:</b> | 2020        |
| <b>Project title:</b> | Hay Creek Bridge Renovation |                        |            |                      |             |
|                       | <b>Project Status:</b>      | PA Executed            |            | <b>Grant Amount:</b> | \$50,000.00 |

Scope Item

Pedestrian Bridge Decking

**Project Description:** Development project to replace decking on the Hay Creek Bridge which is a part of the Lakelands Trail, a 34-mile-long linear trail and state park in Ingham and Livingston counties and part of the Great Lake to Lake Trail which extends from Port Huron to South Haven. The original railroad bridge was built in the 1890s and was converted for trail use in 1994. The project is important to keep the bridge safe and the trail open. The multi-use trail is suitable for biking, walking, running and equestrian use and passes through woods, pastures, picturesque wetlands. The bridge traverses Hay Creek, a tributary of the Huron River.

|                                    |              |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Total number of projects:</b>   | 6            |
| <b>Total Amount of Grant Given</b> | \$577,333.00 |



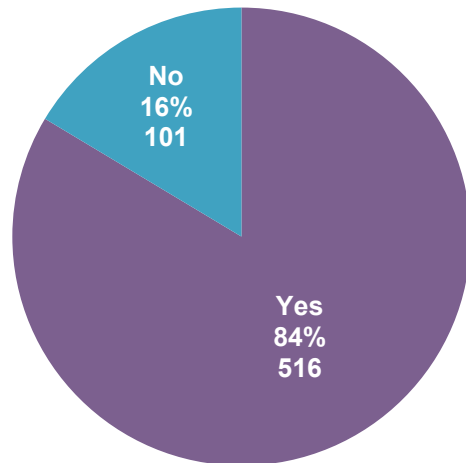
## APPENDIX B

### PUBLIC INPUT RESULTS

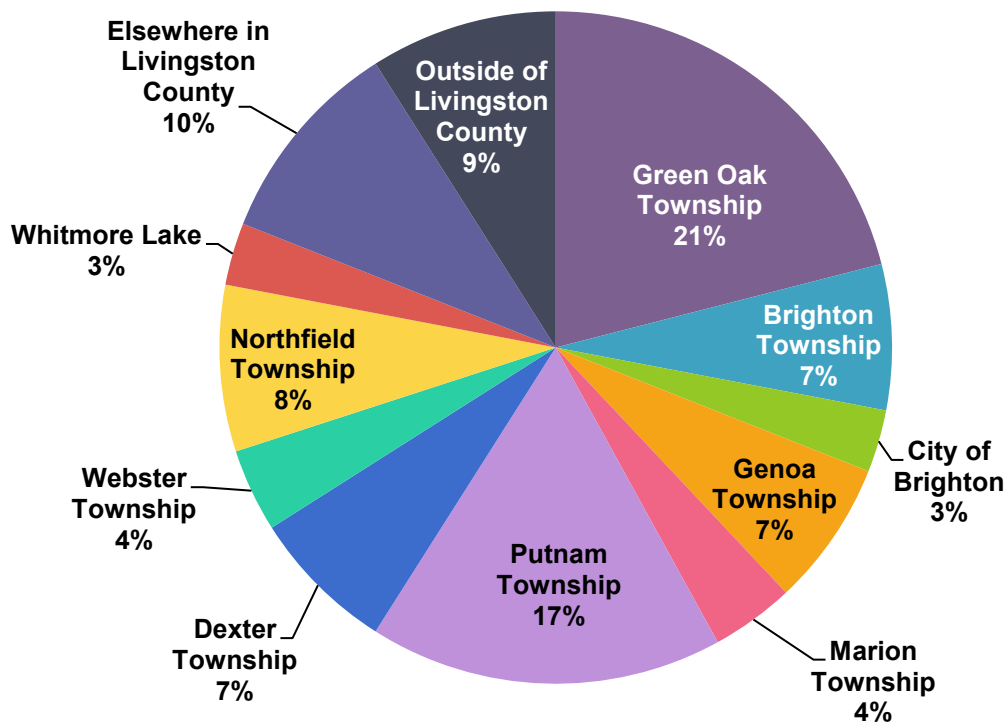
# 2022 Recreation Plan Survey Results

Responses: 621  
Completed: 100%

1. Are you a Hamburg Township resident and/or business or property owner?

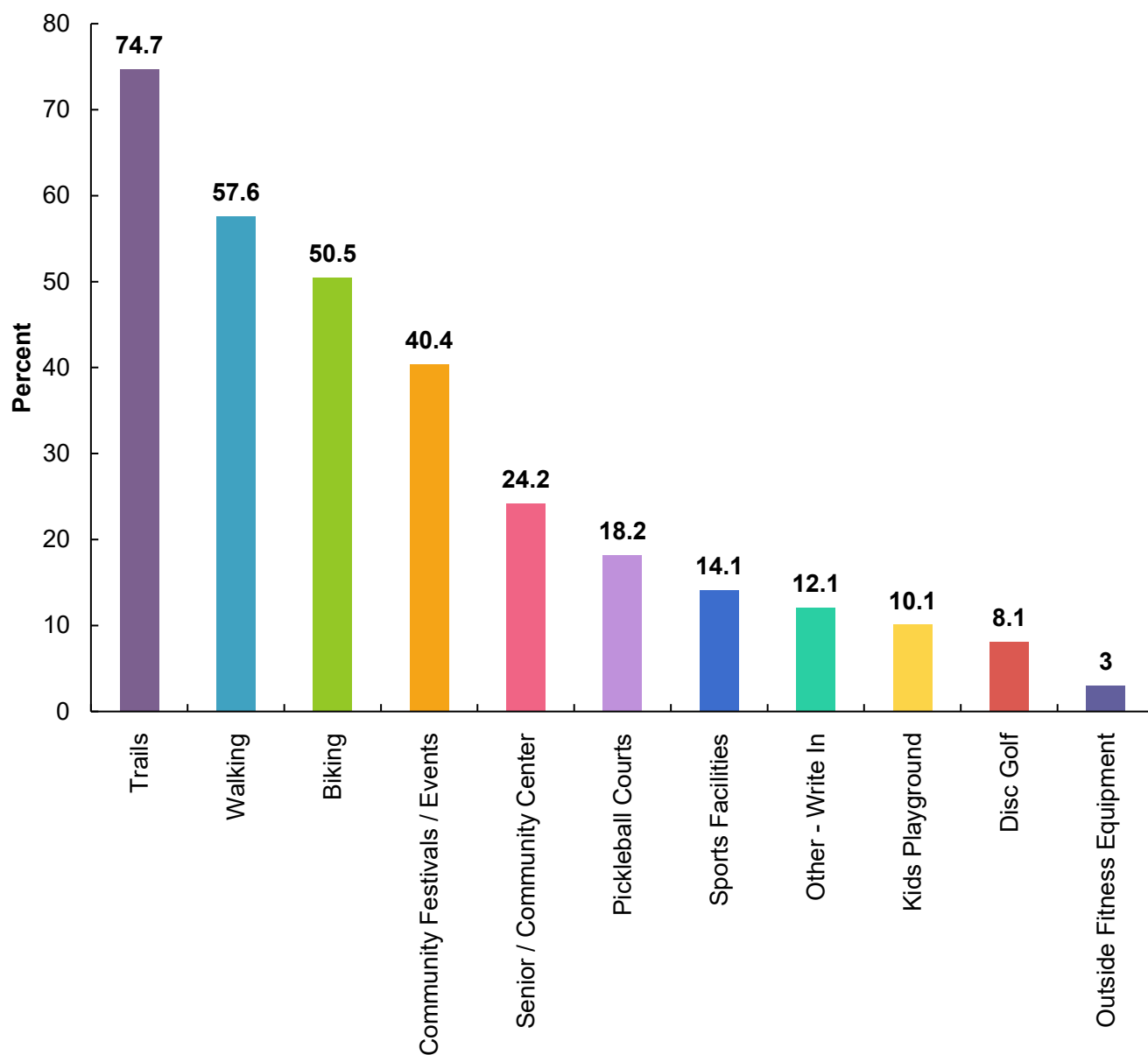


2. If you are not a Hamburg Township resident and/or business or property owner, where do you live?



| Value                          | Percent | Count      |
|--------------------------------|---------|------------|
| Green Oak Township             | 21.0%   | 21         |
| Putnam Township                | 17.0%   | 17         |
| Elsewhere in Livingston County | 10.0%   | 10         |
| Outside of Livingston County   | 9.0%    | 9          |
| Northfield Township            | 8.0%    | 8          |
| Brighton Township              | 7.0%    | 7          |
| Genoa Township                 | 7.0%    | 7          |
| Dexter Township                | 7.0%    | 7          |
| Marion Township                | 4.0%    | 4          |
| Webster Township               | 4.0%    | 4          |
| City of Brighton               | 3.0%    | 3          |
| Whitmore Lake                  | 3.0%    | 3          |
| <b>Totals</b>                  |         | <b>100</b> |

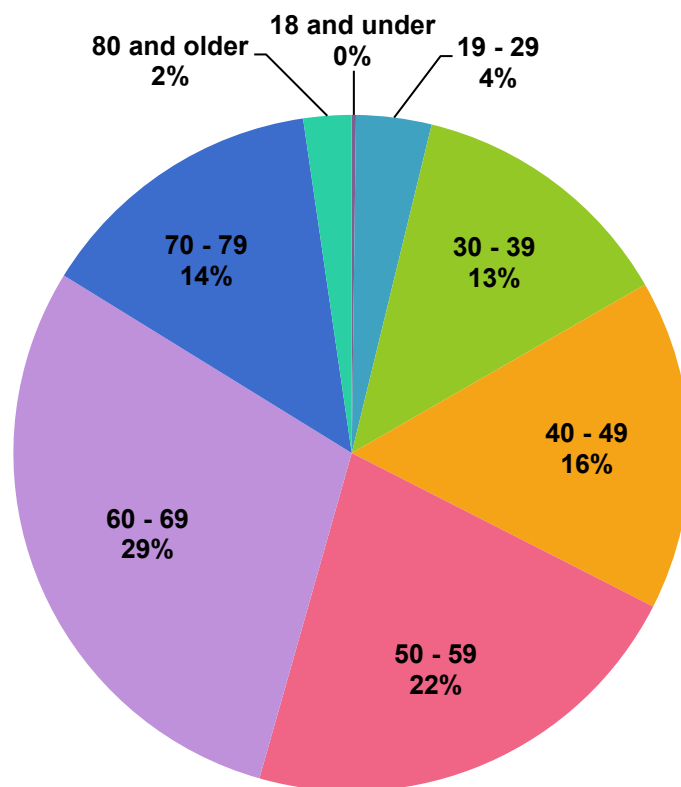
**3. How do you use Hamburg Township parks and recreation facilities? Please check all that apply.**



**Other – Write In**

- Running (2)
- Inline skating
- R/C Airplane Field (5)
- cards
- geocaching

#### 4. What is your age range?



| Value        | Percent | Count |
|--------------|---------|-------|
| 18 and under | 0.2%    | 1     |
| 19 - 29      | 3.6%    | 22    |
| 30 - 39      | 12.9%   | 79    |
| 40 - 49      | 15.8%   | 97    |
| 50 - 59      | 21.9%   | 134   |
| 60 - 69      | 29.4%   | 180   |
| 70 - 79      | 13.9%   | 85    |
| 80 and older | 2.3%    | 14    |
|              | Totals  | 612   |



## 5. How frequently do you visit or use Township parks and facilities?

|  | Daily           | Frequently<br>(a couple<br>of times<br>per week) | Infrequently<br>(a couple of<br>times per<br>month) | Rarely (a<br>couple of<br>times per<br>year) | Never        | Responses |
|--|-----------------|--|---|--|--------------|-----------|
| <b>Baseball Diamonds</b><br>Count<br>Percent                             | 15<br>2.6%      | 107<br>18.7%                                     | 88<br>15.4%   | 78<br>13.7%                                  | 283<br>49.6% | 571       |
| <b>Boardwalk</b><br>Count<br>Percent                                     | 17<br>3.0%      | 146<br>25.3%                                     | 191<br>33.2%  | 148<br>25.7%                                 | 74<br>12.8%  | 576       |
| <b>Disc Golf</b><br>Count<br>Percent                                     | 1<br>0.2%       | 30<br>5.3%                                       | 50<br>8.8%  | 83<br>14.6%                                  | 405<br>71.2% | 569       |
| <b>Flyer's/RC Field</b><br>Count<br>Percent                              | 10<br>1.7%      | 30<br>5.2%                                       | 40<br>7.0%  | 80<br>13.9%                                  | 415<br>72.2% | 575       |
| <b>Football Practice Area</b><br>Count<br>Percent                        | 4<br>0.7%       | 26<br>4.6%                                       | 25<br>4.4%  | 64<br>11.4%                                  | 444<br>78.9% | 563       |
| <b>Hamburg Historical Museum</b><br>Count<br>Percent                     | 0<br>0%         | 8<br>1.4%  | 31<br>5.5%  | 169<br>29.8%                                 | 360<br>63.4% | 568       |
| <b>Hamburg Senior Center</b><br>Count<br>Percent                         | 16<br>2.7%      | 73<br>12.3%                                      | 49<br>8.3%  | 99<br>16.7%                                  | 355<br>60.0% | 592       |
| <b>Hamburg Community Center</b><br>Count<br>Percent                      | 2<br>0.4%       | 27<br>4.8%                                       | 50<br>8.9%  | 127<br>22.5%                                 | 358<br>63.5% | 564       |
| <b>Kayak Launch Site</b><br>Count<br>Percent                             | 2<br>0.4%       | 24<br>4.2%                                       | 50<br>8.8%  | 100<br>17.6%                                 | 391<br>69.0% | 567       |
| <b>Mike L. Levine Lakelands Trail<br/>State Park</b><br>Count<br>Percent | 75<br>12.9<br>% | 222<br>38.1%                                     | 152<br>26.1%  | 64<br>11.0%                                  | 69<br>11.9%  | 582       |
| <b>Outdoor Workout Stations</b><br>Count<br>Percent                      | 1<br>0.2%       | 25<br>4.4%                                       | 85<br>14.9%   | 151<br>26.4%                                 | 310<br>54.2% | 572       |
| <b>Pickleball</b><br>Count<br>Percent                                    | 14<br>2.4%      | 34<br>5.9%                                       | 41<br>7.2%  | 56<br>9.8%                                   | 427<br>74.7% | 572       |
| <b>Playground - Baseball side</b><br>Count<br>Percent                    | 4<br>0.7%       | 38<br>6.7%                                       | 59<br>10.4%   | 82<br>14.4%                                  | 387<br>67.9% | 570       |
|  |                 |  |   |  |              |           |

|   | Daily      | Frequently<br>(a couple<br>of times<br>per week) | Infrequently<br>(a couple of<br>times per<br>month) | Rarely (a<br>couple of<br>times per<br>year) | Never        | Responses |
|---|------------|--|---|--|--------------|-----------|
| <b>Playground - Soccer side</b><br>Count<br>Percent                                 | 6<br>1.1%  | 37<br>6.5%                                       | 62<br>10.9%   | 95<br>16.7%                                  | 368<br>64.8% | 568       |
| <b>Soccer Fields</b><br>Count<br>Percent  | 7<br>1.2%  | 37<br>6.5%                                       | 45<br>8.0%  | 101<br>17.9%                                 | 375<br>66.4% | 565       |
| <b>Trailhead Parking</b><br>Count<br>Percent  | 26<br>4.5% | 162<br>28.2%                                     | 161<br>28.0%  | 106<br>18.4%                                 | 120<br>20.9% | 575       |
| <b>Volleyball Area</b><br>Count<br>Percent  | 2<br>0.4%  | 12<br>2.1%                                       | 25<br>4.4%  | 43<br>7.6%                                   | 483<br>85.5% | 565       |
| <b>Winklehaus Park</b><br>Count<br>Percent  | 5<br>0.9%  | 19<br>3.4%                                       | 59<br>10.5%   | 94<br>16.7%                                  | 386<br>68.6% | 563       |
| <b>I don't frequent or use<br/>Township parks or facilities</b><br>Count<br>Percent | 27<br>5.7% | 100<br>21.1%                                     | 109<br>23.0%  | 110<br>23.3%                                 | 127<br>26.8% | 473       |

#### Other – Write In

##### Daily

- Allow an expansion of the disc golf course to the west side of the soccer fields. They are never used anymore.
- When my kids were young
- Trails in Hamburg portion of Brighton State Rec Area
- Please keep disc golf and rc field
- More trails. A giant dog park. One for big and one for small
- Lakeland trails
- Huron meadows
- How often do you think about other access points to the trail on the other side of M-36?

##### Frequently (a couple of times per week)

- Trail
- Splash pad
- Senior center
- Rc car track
- Library (2)
- Lakeland Trail (2)
- I use the parks mostly to walk my dog
- I bring my grandchildren to soccer, football, etc, often
- Huron river
- Dog park
- Brighton recreation trails
- Bike the trails

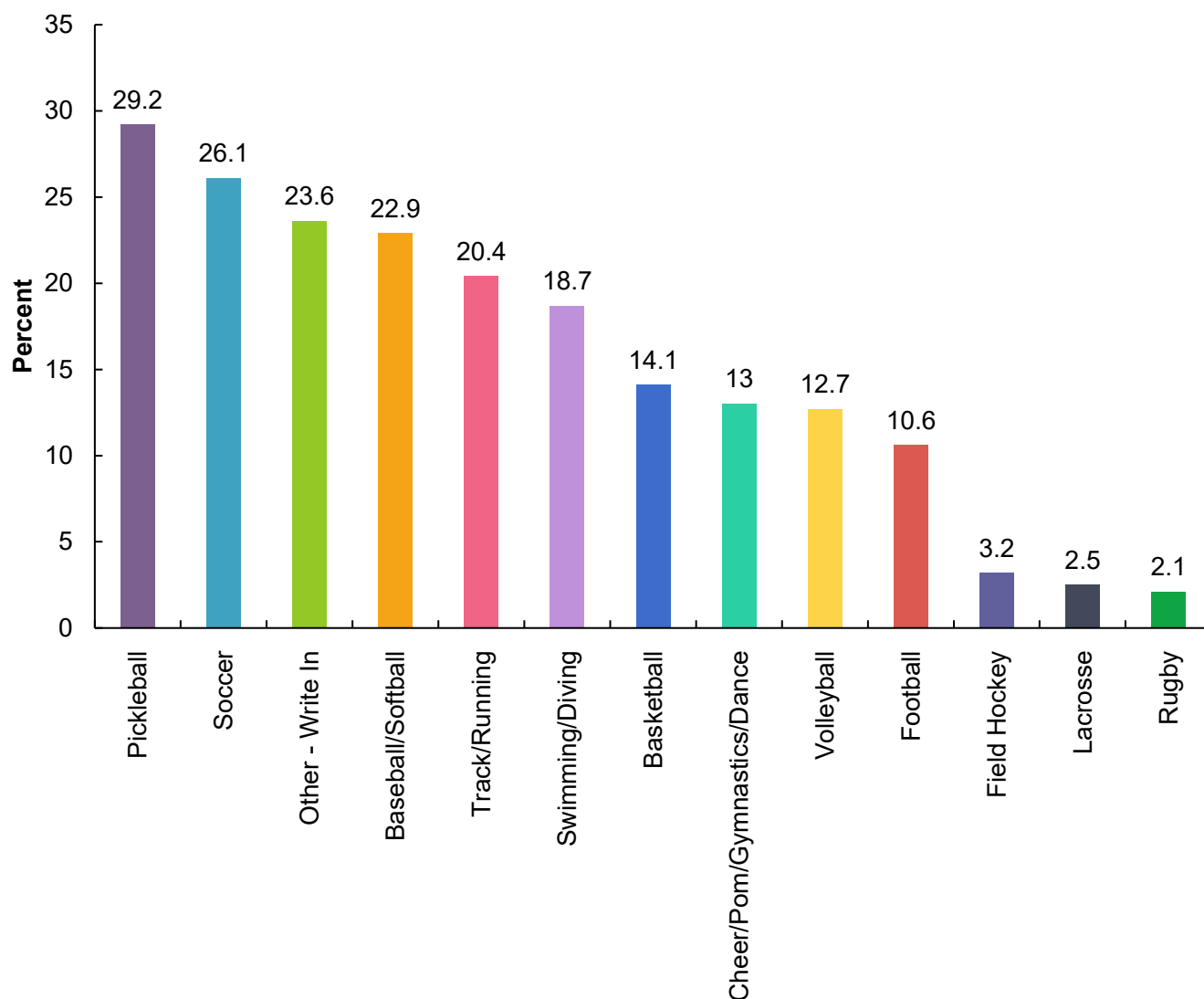
##### Infrequently (a couple of times per month)

- bicycle pump track
- Walking, biking, skating on trails
- Riverwalk off frisbee golf course
- Picnic area/Pavilion (2)
- Manly Bennett Park trails
- Library
- Bennet field
- Baseball fields

##### Rarely (a couple of times per year)

- Need more activities for seniors

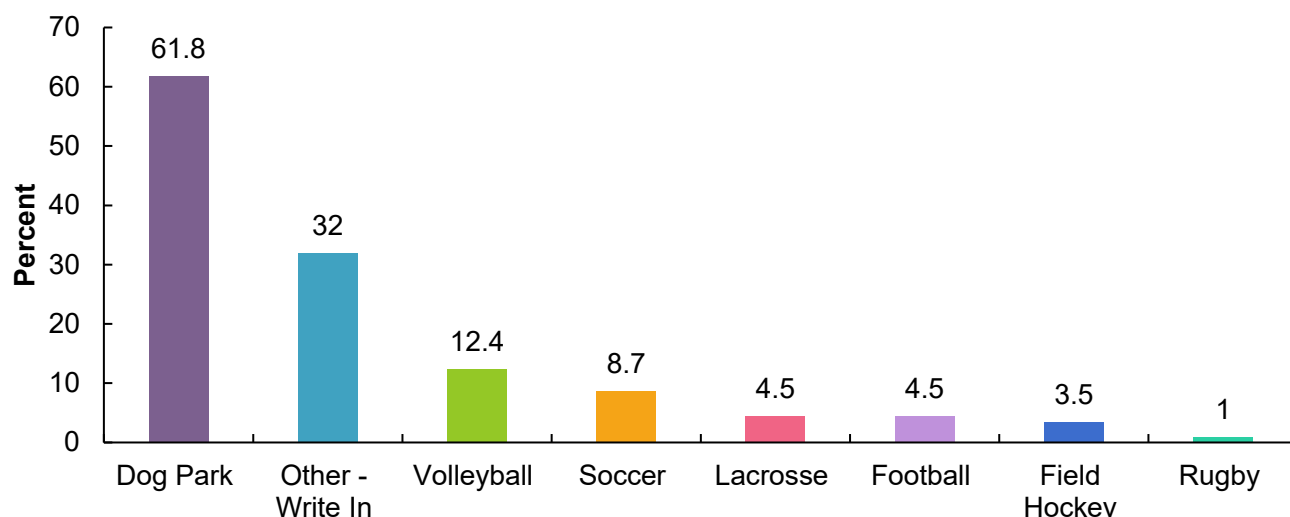
**6. Do you or a member of your household play organized sports? If so, please check all that apply.**



**Other – Write In**

- Golf
- Hockey
- Archery (2)
- Biking (5)
- Equestrian (4)
- Ice hockey (2)
- No/ None (5)
- Band
- Tennis (6)
- Bowling, wallyball
- Dance (2)
- Disc golf (3)
- RC Field (2)
- Dog Park/Dog Walking (3)
- Gymnastics
- Hiking/Walking (3)
- Kayaking/Canoeing (2)
- Karate
- Mountain biking (3)
- PHS Fishing team
- Sailing
- Use to, lil league baseball
- grandchildren do
- moto cross
- pickle ball
- roller blade hockey

7. If the Township were to add or change the fields at the parks, what type of fields would be most useful to you? Please check all that apply.



#### Other – Write In




- Pool (4)
- Pickleball (23)
- Tennis (5)
- Baseball (3)
- Basketball (3)
- Golf
- RC Car Track (10)
- Splash pad (5)
- 5k course
- A general use community park, not sports related
- A running track
- An indoor space that teams can use to practice in the winter. That new Fieldhouse in Brighton is going to be amazing for their community! I'd love for our teams to be able to practice year-round. Also, my daughter is a gymnast. We have to go all the way to Howell for practice multiple times a week. when she gets to high school, again, she can't practice locally. She has to practice with Fowlerville, Chelsea and Byron. It would be great to have a local facility
- Band Shell/Concerts/Amphitheater (4)
- Better canoe launch, accessible to Huron more directly.
- Bow Hunting
- Disc Golf (3)
- Dog park (2)
- Equestrian (3)
- cross country field or trails
- Fairground
- Extended bike path
- Farmer's Market
- Gymnastics mats/mini trampoline
- Handball courts
- Horse shoes
- I do not like dog parks. I like walking in the parks with my dog the way it is now.
- Ice hockey
- Keep Natural (3)
- Softball (3)
- Bike lanes along the roads that lead to the Lakelands Trail.
- More kayak parking/entrances
- Protected bike paths
- More space for funfest
- Pump track (2)
- Mountain Bike Trails/Obstacles (4)
- nature playground, playground upgrade
- None - More than enough facilities already available (2)
- Open fields
- Park with walking trails (3)
- Passive Recreation, Bocce Ball, Corn Hole, and shaded seating for reading, etc. would be nice
- Kite flying (2) / Rocket launching area
- Roller hockey (2)
- Ice hockey
- Skating Rink (2)
- Shuffleboard
- Karate/Tai Chi
- Toddler play equipment
- Xc ski trail grooming in winter
- archery
- single track bike trails
- A shade area for yoga
- Toddler play areas



8. Please provide your opinion regarding the following aspects of Township-operated parks and open spaces.

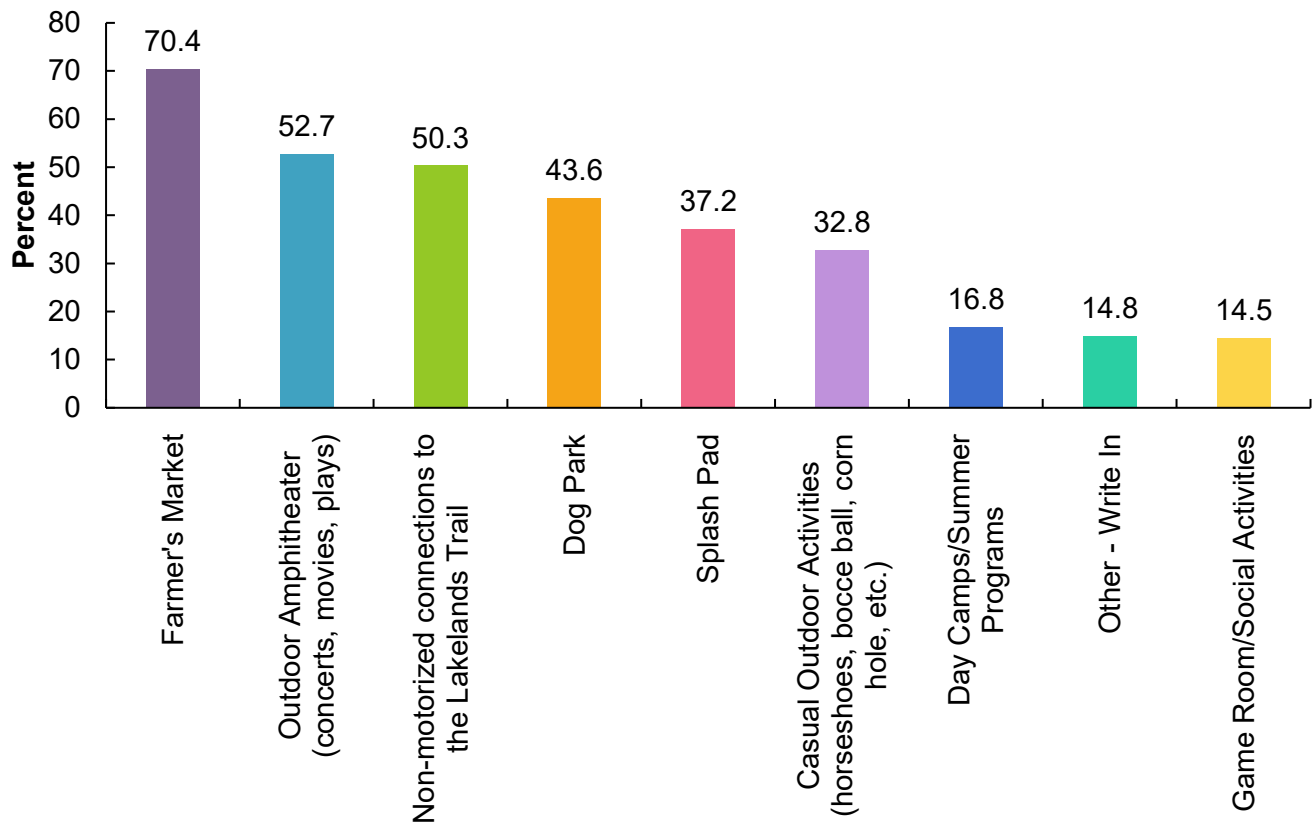
|  | Satisfied    | Somewhat Satisfied | Neutral      | Unsatisfied | No Opinion/<br>Do Not Use | Responses |
|--|--------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------------|-----------|
| <b>Park Maintenance/Appearance</b><br>Count<br>Percent     | 379<br>62.9% | 122<br>20.2%       | 63<br>10.4%  | 11<br>1.8%  | 28<br>4.6%                | 603       |
| <b>Variety of Amenities/Facilities</b><br>Count<br>Percent | 279<br>46.5% | 162<br>27.0%       | 102<br>17.0% | 22<br>3.7%  | 35<br>5.8%                | 600       |
| <b>Safety and Security</b><br>Count<br>Percent             | 351<br>58.7% | 121<br>20.2%       | 87<br>14.5%  | 13<br>2.2%  | 26<br>4.3%                | 598       |

9. Considering the resources and funds available, please rank the following statements by importance to you for Township-owned parks and open spaces over the next 5 years.

| Item   | Overall Rank | Ranking  | Score | Total Respondents |
|--|--------------|--|-------|-------------------|
| Maintain parks and facilities we have          | 1            |  | 1,233 | 516               |
| Add facilities/amenities to the existing parks | 2            |  | 1,111 | 493               |
| Acquire more park space                        | 3            |  | 728   | 459               |

Lowest Rank Highest Rank

**10. Which NEW activities/amenities would you like to see more of in the Township parks? Please check all that apply.**

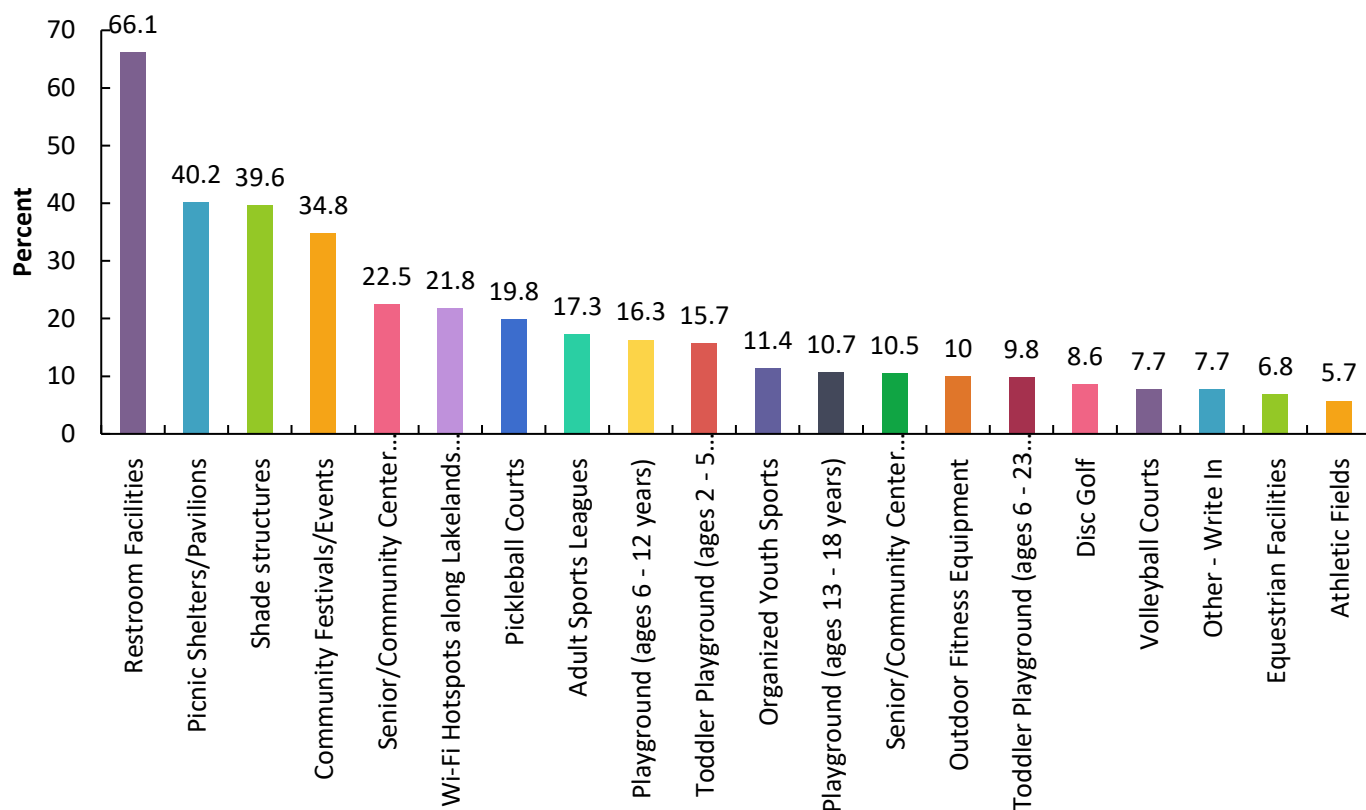


**Other – Write In**

- Pool (6)
- RC Car Track (8)
- Community Trunk Garage Sales (2)
- 5k course for running
- Pickleball (9)
- Shuffleboard
- Port-a-johns along the Lakeland Trail
- An area for civic festivals that not buried in the back corner in a weeded field
- Boat launch
- Bow Hunting
- Camping
- Chilson road should have a safe way to connect to the trail system.
- Connect B2B trail to Lakeland trail
- Enhanced kayaking on/off facilities
- Equestrian trails (2)
- Expand the play structures
- Fishing deck on the horseshoe creek by the Lakeland trail hamburg rd parking area
- General used community park
- Golf course
- Handball court
- I don't need the township trying to spend more money. They need to spend less
- Indoor fitness center for residents only like the Chelsea and dexter centers with pool and INDOOR TRACK
- It would be great if The Lakeland Trail could go down Whitewood and all the way up to Hudson Mills. I don't think that we need to re-create the metro parks. We are so lucky to have them so close by. We should strive to do something different
- More bathrooms along Lakeland Trail (2) They are very handy for long runs!

- More playgrounds for all ages and abilities (2)
- We frequently go to other towns for their playgrounds because neither at Merrill park can accommodate my two children at the same time
- More trail oriented facilities
- Motorized access to the Lakeland Trail
- Mountain bike obstacles, bike pump track,
- Mountain bike trails (2)
- Movies In the Park, other Events such as Music, Food Trailer Events, Craft Shows
- Natural areas
- Nature centers
- Nature trails / activities (2)
- More and regularly maintained with attention to dog exclusion and no light pollution.
- None
- Parking near the river at Bennett Park plus ability to launch kayaks and leave the river near there. So much of the Huron River in the twp is inaccessible because of lack of public access
- Paved road shoulders and more bike trails
- Permanent restrooms
- Planet fitness or life fitness
- Please consider all of the above. And perhaps even a mountain biking trail and a skateboard park
- Pond ice skating and fishing
- Tennis courts
- Public Boat Launches
- Better advertising/signage, improved/expanded playgrounds or naturescape
- RC flying area/ kite/ rocket launching area
- Paved parking lots for flat track, Dirt car tracks with jumps, Rock Crawler area., Flat dirt tracks.
- Roller hockey rink (2)
- Skating/hockey rink
- Sledding hill, ice skating
- Tai Chi
- Toddler play equipment
- Traditional Archery Range (NO compound or crossbows)
- Water bottle fillers and restrooms
- Water supplies on trail and park, cleaner and more bathrooms/outhouses
- Wooded hiking trails closed off to bikes
- Archery and a rec center like Livonia has (with a swimming pool, exercise, and indoor activities)
- community gardens, plant exchange in the spring and fall, 911 call box.
- connect lakeland trail to Ore Creek brewery
- playground upgrades for kids
- more trails that connect from shehan, mcgregor whitewood to the main trail
- senior walk areas that do not allow bicycles to scare us.
- single track bike trail

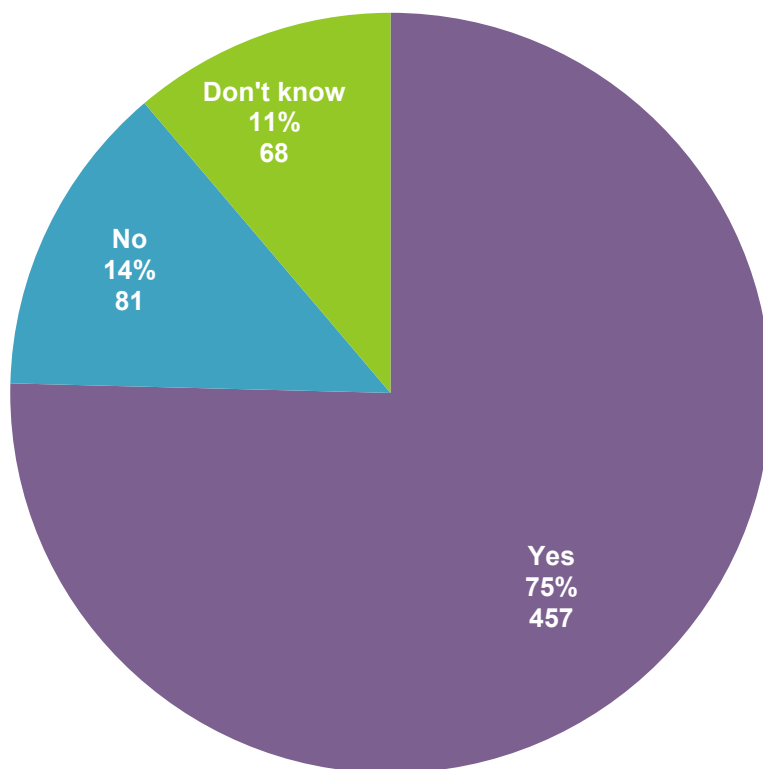
**11. Which EXISTING activities/amenities would you like to see added to the Township parks? Please check all that apply.**



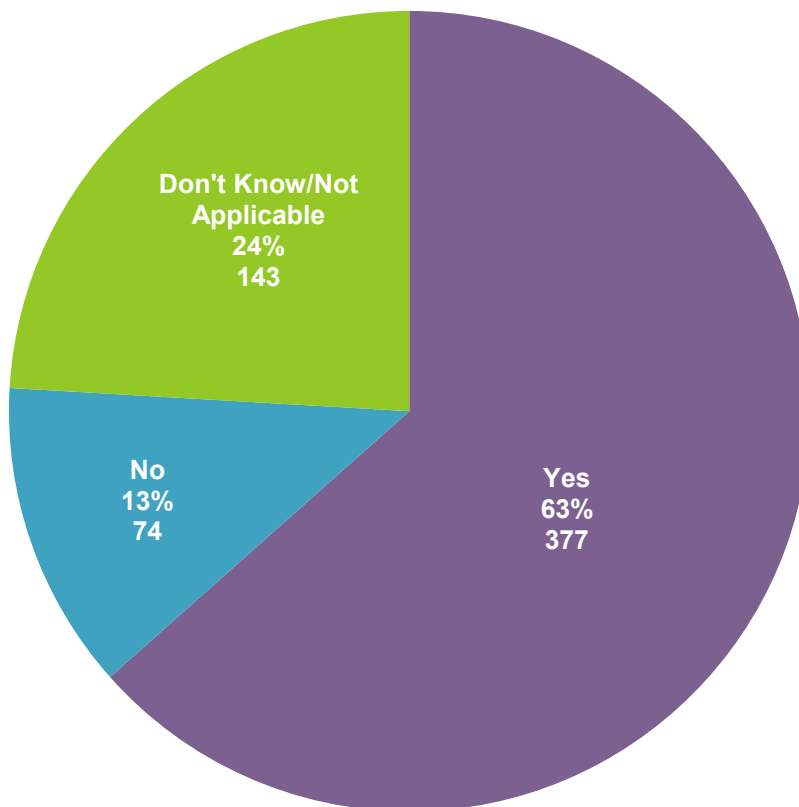
**Other – Write In**

- Tennis Courts and practice wall (3)
- AC Power to the ends of the park and power drops to festival areas.
- Accessible playgrounds for kids with disability
- Basketball
- Benches
- Benches on disc golf and walking trails
- Charging station for electric cars
- Community Pool (3)
- Dog park (2)
- Electricity access to the festival and Flying field
- Equestrian arena
- Fill sinkholes and big cracks in paved portions
- Gazebo/running water by football fields
- General use community park
- Less mowing unused soccer fields. Reallocate maintenance workers
- Manure pick up stations (shovel, mounting blocks, muck heap) so riders can more easily clean up after their horses.
- More access to drinking water
- More connections to Lakelands trail
- More frequently cleaned outhouses!
- More park benches for resting along walking paths and in township complex
- Mountain bike trail
- Nature centers
- None (2)
- Playgrounds. Splash pad. Bathrooms!
- RC track (3)
- Shade structures at Senior Community Center pickleball courts and patio area.
- The restroom should be expanded and made much better. Thought should be put into placement of any new play structure. Right now, I find it hard to use the play structure on the baseball side because it's so close to the parking lot. If I am watching one child play a game, I won't risk letting my other child go over to the park. It's too close to cars and the exit which makes me nervous. put them closer with an eye shot, so they can be used. Keep them away from high traffic areas.
- Water bottle filler
- a sculpture garden (2)
- archery and an indoor rec center
- hiking trails
- seating on lakeland trail

**12. Do you live near or have easy access to the Mike L. Levine Lakelands Trail State Park?**

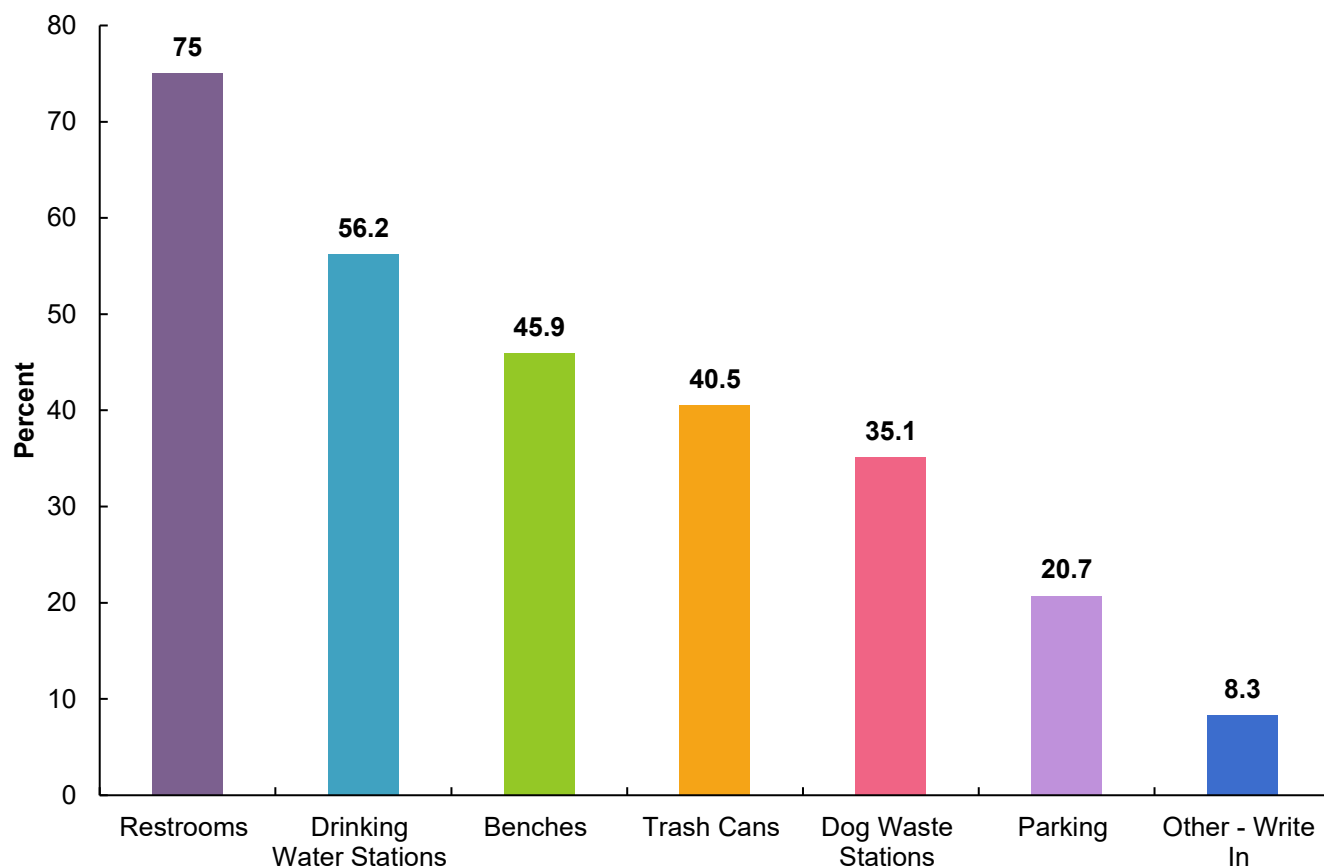


**13. Would your use of the Mike L. Levine Lakelands Trail State Park increase if you were able to access it by a trail link from your neighborhood?**





**14. What additional facilities would you like to see at trailheads along the Mike L. Levine Lakelands Trail State Park? Please check all that apply.**



**Other – Write In**

- A boardwalk to the Diary Queen
- Additional shade/cover if we stopped for a break
- Bike Repair Stations (6)
- Electric car charging stations
- Food
- Gazebos with Barbecue and picnic tables.
- Golf cart allowed on trail
- Horse waste stations with mounting blocks (2)
- Little Free Library
- Lockers
- Love the historical info signage
- Microbrewery
- More markers with information about habitats and history
- More sidewalks connecting subdivisions to trails. We live in Copper Cove Drive. The trail is an easy walk for us but we have to drive to the trailhead because there's no sidewalk to the trail.
- N/A/None (2)
- Nature signs/center
- None. Waste of tax money to maintain for few # that use it. Charge fees for maintenance!
- Parking for horse trailers
- Picnic shelter
- Picnic tables
- Security
- Shade structures on long open stretches
- Shaded picnic stops.
- Shelters
- Signs for out of town users with rules - fast bike groups and weekend use makes locals not always use trail due to their actions on trail
- Signs reminding bikers to call out when passing
- The water stations that include a bowl for dogs
- Trail etiquette signs
- Water bottle filling station
- We would love a walking trail down kress to the trail.
- connect leman trail to Whitmore Lake Rd S to connect to trail
- equestrian facilities
- shade on trail
- shaded sitting

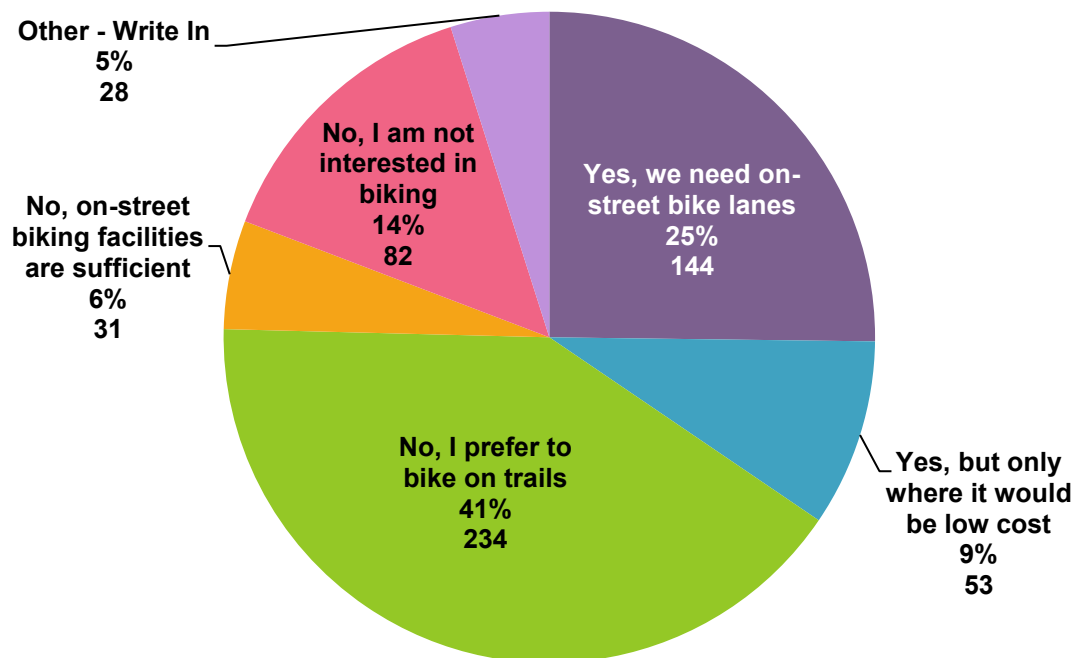
**15. Along the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park and throughout the Township Parks, there are benches, trash cans, and dog waste stations. However, if you feel there is an area where these facilities are missing, where is that? Please be specific. For the Lakelands Trail, give a mile marker or nearest intersection.**

**Response:**

- Restroom by Merrill Road
- I don't know off the top of my head!
- Bow Hunting should be permitted along the Lakeland trail just like it is in Pinckney. People are not flocking to these township owned properties during the fall/winter and could be done in a safe matter. The State of Michigan (DNR) removed all shooting distance requirements with Archery equipment.
- N/A (8)
- There are no dog waste stations between Kroger bridge and then the middle between Kress and Cap'n frostys, a trash can near Zukey Lake Tavern may be helpful
- water station would be great around lemon road
- Benches are few and far between
- N/A just need easier access to other existing trails in the area. Would be nice to have easier access from neighborhoods along pettysville rust and chilson road too
- From haycreek to captain frosty, are there any benches?
- OK
- Parking at Hall Rd
- Kress road
- Between kress and whitewood
- A couple more benches between Zukey lake tavern and Hall Road
- Just seems like people don't bother picking up there dog poop
- Drinking water.
- True, there are a mostly adequate amount of these...just wanted to emphasize they are necessary to keep them!
- Don't know where this is
- Thank you for adding the the dog station at Girard. A blue barrel near the benches just east of there might be good. Find carry out food containers in the vegetation near by.
- Rest rooms
- Would just love a connection to the trail from arrowhead sub that doesn't involve walking/bike riding on a busy road
- Keep adding benches and trash cans. I would to see mileage markers more frequently, and some maps that indicate distance between features that make sense... ex 0.3 miles to the river, 0.5 miles across the boardwalk, etc.
- Missing a general use park,
- More bike repair stations. I know there's one by the fire station, but perhaps adding more could be useful
- Merril
- Restrooms on the trail
- I use the trail daily/weekly and all is good!!! west of Hamburg is different
- Near the green oak township line
- It would simply be nice to have more dog waste receptacles. Benches (more) at both shaded and scenic points would be great.
- I don't think there's a single (public) drinking water source anywhere along the trail, even beyond Hamburg Twp. The Kal-Haven trail on the west side of the state has drinking water at almost every trailhead; it would be great if we could do that here.
- The Gregory Michigan Portapotty needs maintenance more often due to how often it is used.
- Benches in the shade by parking lots and staging areas.
- There is no restroom at the entrance near Kroger parking lot.
- No idea which park This is?

- M-36 crossing towards gregory
- The bathroom at the depot trailhead is usually in bad condition. It would be nice if there were restrooms every 3 miles.
- Trail head across from Captain Frosty. Gravel needs to be swept off in order for wheelchairs or those handicapped to be able to get to the trail from the parking area safely. Gravel has hindered handicapped folks and their caretakers to feel comfortable to negotiate from parking spot to the trail.
- Eastern section near the prison
- The new portion of the trail from Hall Rd to 23. A center line might be helpful on the hilly curves. Quite a few blind spots, and cyclists coming at a higher rate of speed on the downhill sections.
- More benches between Hamburg Road and Lemon roads.
- More frequent stations throughout.
- I know there are some but more are needed.
- Drinking water stations would be great!!! A few more restrooms and trash cans along the trail would be helpful, especially the stretch between Putnam Twp and the M-36 tunnel/parking/trailhead.
- Make it easy for horse riders to clean up after themselves. Add mounting blocks and shovels/muck stations.
- I'm in Regency Village, and I need a safer walking path to get to the trails across M-36. The access is a mile from the entrance of my sub, and the other entrance off Kress Rd. has no parking.
- Get rid of dog waste stations people can provide their own.
- Merrill Rd. Near W Main St. We haven't done the entire trail yet. We start at about 9 mile and 23. So these intersections are as far as we've gone.
- Township Hall Complex- shaded areas for lunchtime
- An area or requirement for horse manure to be picked up. It is gross, and ruins the experience of the trail for all other users.
- I didn't see trash cans, benches or dog waste stations along the dirt part of the Lakeland Trail heading towards Gregory. Where the trail connects on the other side of M-36? Honestly, I'm not sure their needed that far out.
- from pettysville rd to Pinckney
- from pettysville rd to Pinckney
- trash cans would be useful on the new section East to US23
- Restore the bench that used to be along the Lakelands Trail between Brockway and Farley.
- I don't have that info I would have to be on the trail to do that.
- We often use the trail for long (10-20 miles) training runs, and it would be helpful to have restrooms available somewhere around midpoint between the existing ones. Ideally they'd be located at roughly 2-mile intervals for the length of the trail, including the sections in other townships.
- I don't know the mile markers, but a few more dog waste stations might help increase their use. Maybe more signs, too, reminding owners to pick up after their dogs. And to keep them on leashes please!
- Between 8 mile and lemon rd, 8 mile and merril
- More benches would be nice, they are spaced far apart. More trash cans too.
- Adding a bench halfway between existing benches would be very helpful for seniors and people starting to walk more. Thank you for asking
- Hamburg village to M-36 fire station
- at intersections of roads
- good as is
- more physical maps at each intersection. if you lose wifi how do you know how to get home?
- at the trail head by kroger gas station need toilet and water.

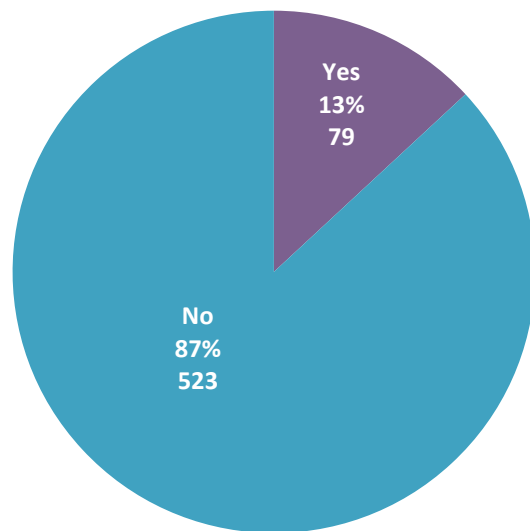
## 16. Should the Township plan for on-street biking facilities?



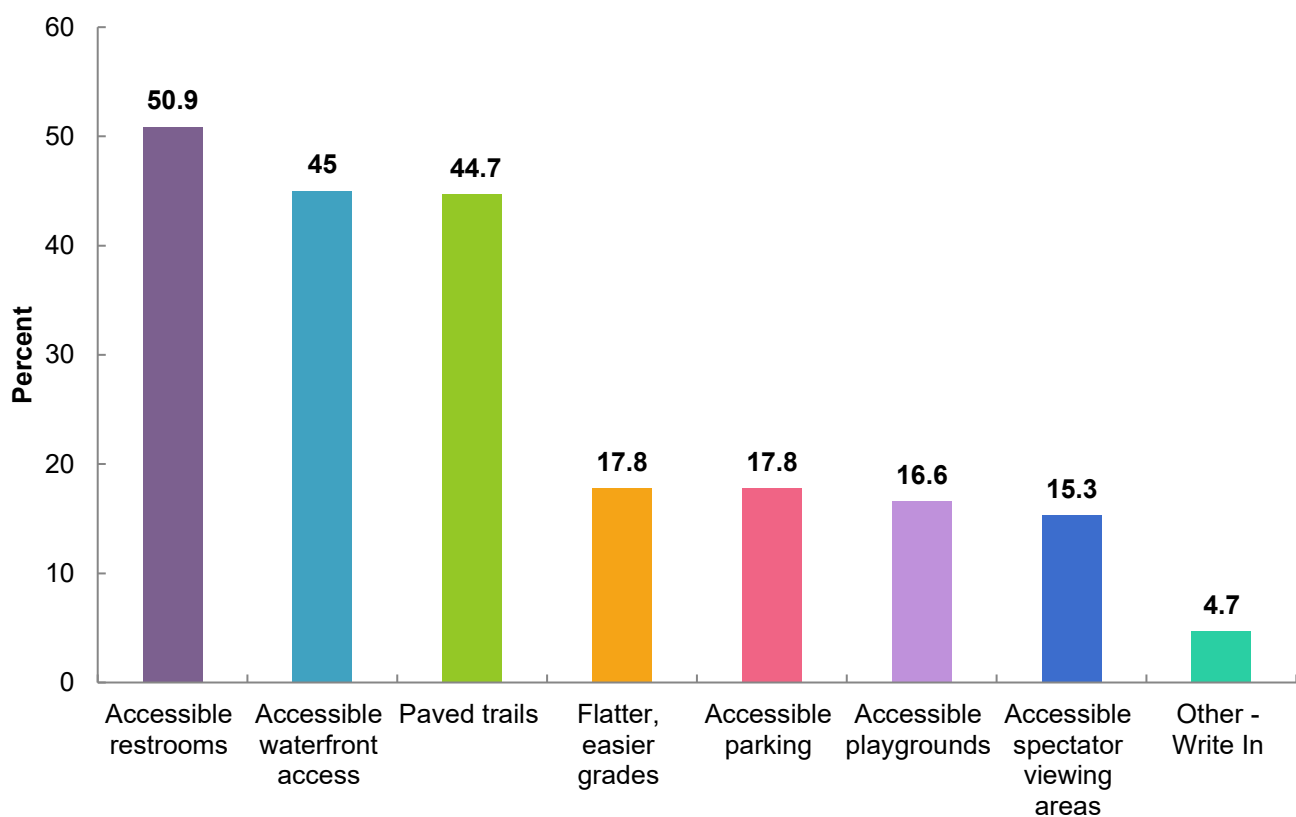
### Other – Write In

- Bike path on strawberry and Merrill roads (2)
- Bike lanes on street are nice but not like a2 which encroaches on street space. bike trail/path separate from walkers might help
- Bikes should not be on the street, there are trails for them
- Chilson Road
- Definitely not! Bikes and cars do not mix!
- I am an avid cyclist but I stick to the trails because of the incredible backlash and anger drivers pose to us.
- I use to bike and enjoyed wide paved shoulders
- Im from washtenaw, so visit for just the long trails
- No opinion
- Not sure what on street biking facilities are? Bathrooms, repair stations, bike racks? Yes to all these.
- Only in areas where the speed limit is 25 or below. our roads are windy and dangerous. People go fast and I think that on road biking is very risky for drivers and cyclists.
- Only to supplement access/connections to the Lakeland Trails.
- Prefer to bike on trails, however there is a need for connecting trails off Pettys. It's so dangerous to try to get to the trails if you live off Pettys
- We need the bikes off the trails and roads. They need their own trail
- We need to have bikes in safe areas - NOT ON THE MAIN ROAD. I know legally they can be there but it is not safe. A bike lane they are required to use would be nice. Maybe the "professional" bikers would quit running people over on the trail.
- Would prefer a "bike track" That is a bike path along a road that is a bit offset or protected from the road. Usually offset like a sidewalk or at a different level/grade than the road so cars don't swerve into it easily
- Yes if no cost to properly owners
- Yes mainly to keep the fast bike serious riders off the trail
- Yes! Especially to safely access the trailheads.
- and access to lakeland trail
- bike trails on roads leading to main trailheads- Strawberry Lake, Merrill
- only to get safely to trail by bike rather than transporting bicycle
- please add!!!
- trails preferred, lanes ok, but are roads aren't safe for pedestrians or bikes

**17. Do you, or does anyone in your household, have a disability?**



**18. If applicable, which of the following existing facilities should be improved in the Township's parks and trails? Please check all that apply.**



#### Other – Write In

- Connections to the trail
- Dog park
- Edison power to the RC Flying field
- I think its perfect
- It's hard to answer this since I don't have personal experience. But I'm glad to see this question. I think parking and bathrooms are basics to provide accessibility.
- Maintenance is an issue. Dangerous issue not addressed. Focus on those asap
- N/A or None (3)
- RC Car Track (2)
- Shorter, easier walk to the trails from the parking area. The hill up to the parking lot on Merrill is tough when you're already tired from your walk.
- Stop paving trails. The world doesn't need more asphalt.
- Utilization of the soccer fields
- a natural trail



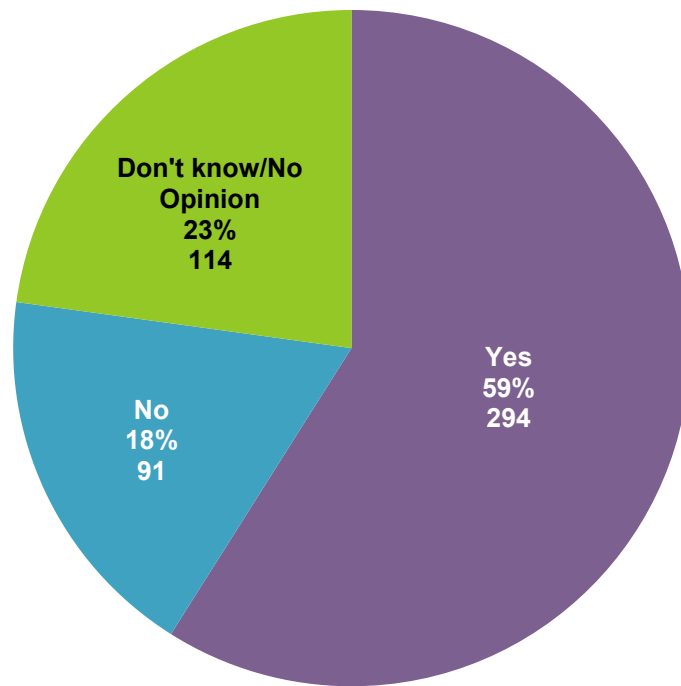
**19. If you answered yes to Question 17, what ADDITIONAL accessible amenities would you, or the member of your household, like to see to better enjoy Hamburg Township parks?**

**Response:**

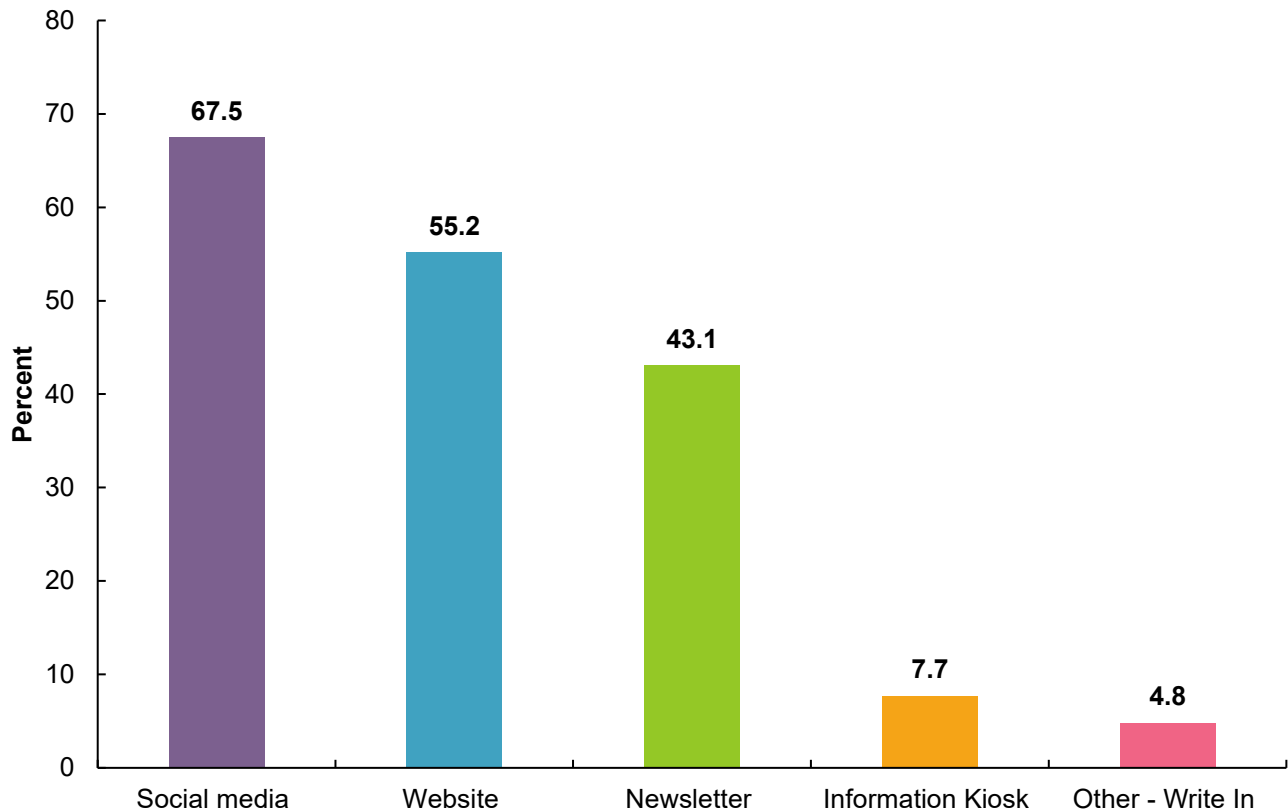
- Restrooms
- More equestrian friendly trail access.
- Accessible playgrounds!
- More fill dirt to elevate and enlarge the festival flat area pad on the north edge and East edge. Screened Ground asphalt on all current dirt parking areas and paths. Next to library festival parking north access to grass In and out entrances to the grass flattened for car and SUVs. Ok to chain or movable barriers in the off-season. Leveled pad areas for the porta-potties. Park rule boards on all entrances. Northeast entrance Park rule board after library lot entrance. Expand RC flying field parking and fill low spots with fine screened asphalt. Extend current nearly to Gazebo.
- Closer pavilions to the parking area to decrease walking distance. More trees for shade. For example, the park on Merrill Road is designed for sports use but nothing else. Look at Genesee County parks for excellent examples of mixed use parks.
- More things to do
- Tell new residents of what is available! I've lived here 2 years and had NO idea any of this existed
- More walkable. Busy roads without reasonable safe walking.
- N/A (6)
- Mapping along trails and water to include on/off markings, distance markers, water fountain, benches, etc
- Sidewalks and pathways that connect to Mike Levine trails
- Ease in getting wheel access to playgrounds
- Wheelchair accessible disc golf course.
- Maintenance is lacking.
- Longer, connecting trails for cyclists.
- Music stage and seating.
- Bike station with air to fill up tires Pool/lazy river
- Placards displaying pictures and information on invasive species of plants and animals known to be in our area. Reminders to check shoes for seeds when arriving and leaving. That asian bittersweet vine has had serious impact in island lake and bishop lake park areas. That and the garlic mustard.
- We are new to the area so we haven't had the chance to see all the parks. A route from arrowhead area to Lakeland trail that is safe for kids would be great. Handball courts would be great. I look forward to using the outdoor exercise equipment, I hope it continues to build.
- Less mowing of unused soccer fields. Dog park
- Lakeland trail to Hudson Mills connector is important to me.
- Resting areas (benches, stools, rails) that are a little off the path along the trails. We love the walk but need to rest (sit and rest) often.
- The model air field is really cool and my son loved coming and watching the planes. RC track would be cool. I think this would be a good activity for teenagers to get into.
- A GENERAL USE COMMUNITY PARK...
- More paved bike trails
- We live in Tara Glen sub would use lakelands trail so much more if we had access without having to ride our bikes on main road to get there. Would b a dream if we had trails that connected to green oak mall area trails.
- Playground
- Restrooms and small splash pad
- Paths to benches that are easier for walkers and wheelchairs.
- Bike lane sidewalk that comes down major side street to get to trail. Sledding hill
- Restrooms
- A community pool and tennis court
- Better open river access with parking. And organized volleyball more courts at merrill

- Pavillions near parking lots for staffing and picnics. More shaded areas for benches near stops/ parking. Flush toilets near trail heads
- fishing boat or paddle boat launches
- Dog park (2)
- A connector from Lakelands Trail to the Border to Border Trail.
- Parking
- Paved pathways to restrooms
- Nature centers/signs
- Wider trails.
- A boardwalk to the Diary Queen
- we need more pickleball courts. The ones that are there are great.
- I would like to see better maintenance of the paved portions of the trail. Sometimes there are deep sinkholes or cracks which can be hard to spot depending upon the lighting. I almost got thrown off my bike by hitting one I didn't see.
- Swimming pool
- Accessible beaches. I go to the state park(Bishop), but with so many lakes around, it would be nice to be able to use them.
- Restrooms not Porta John's
- Archery area, rec center with indoor pool, restrooms available
- Golf cart rental
- More Handicap Parking
- trails or walkways to parks from neighborhoods would help.
- the survey mentions a kayak launch, but the township website has no info about such a launch or where/how to access it or which body of water it provides access to.
- I can't think of any at this time.
- Paths to the trails from neberhoods off the trails
- Spectator viewing, restrooms, shaded areas, better parking
- RC Car Track
- Splash pad and enhanced amenities for kids and families.
- Wheel chairs
- we dont have mobility items
- Better maintenance on edges of trails, holes, broken pavement. the current conditions are hard on wheel chairs and power hairs.
- allow motorized wheelchairs and handicap scooters on the trail
- Sidewalks to trailhead. Need sidewalk along Hamburg and winan lake roads
- I would like to have access to the Lakeland trail from my development. Regency village. Please please

**20. Would you support a millage to expand or provide new park and recreation facilities/programming?**



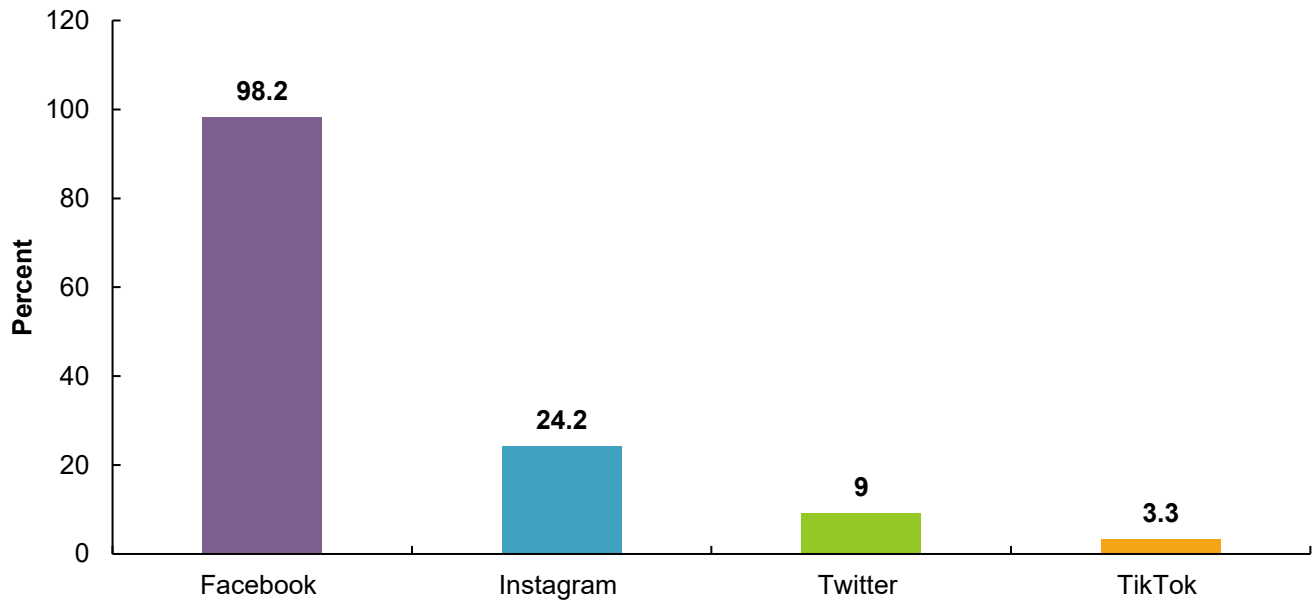
**21. What is the best way for you to receive updates/information about Township Parks? Please check all that apply.**



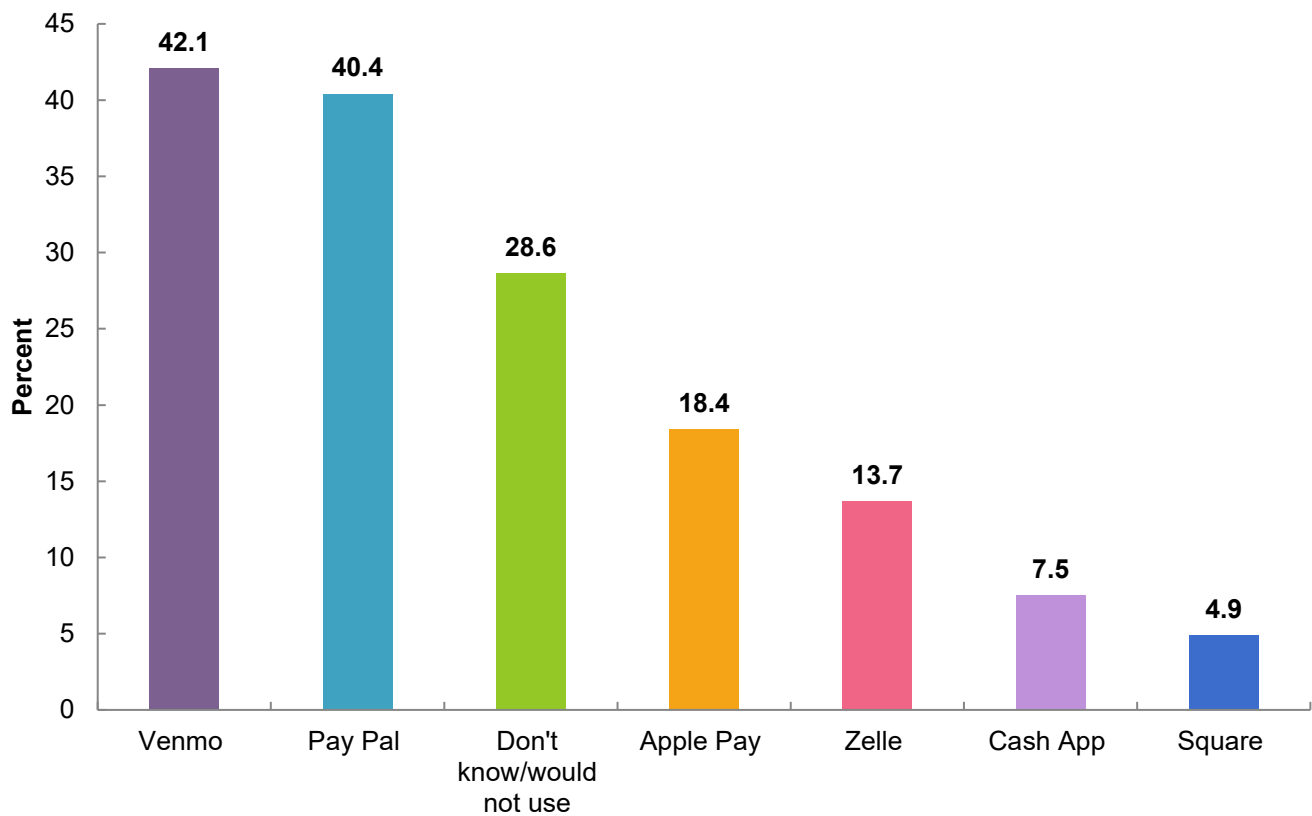
**Other – Write In**

- Email (6)
- Email newsletter (2)
- Do not waste money sending me anything in the mail
- Hamburg Facebook page (2)
- I manage the Hamburg township residents group Facebook page which is a great source for local information.
- Mail (2)
- Road signs at park entrances
- Tax bill
- US Postal Service
- local news
- mailed newsletter
- send a newsletter with property tax statement

**22. If you selected social media on the previous question, which platforms would you like the Township to use?**



**23. If the Township allowed for the electronic payment of fees and donations, what application would be best for you? Please check all that apply.**





## 24.What do you like best about Hamburg Township parks?

### Response:

- Open spaces and plenty of fields for a variety of sports
- How well maintained they are! You care shows, thank you
- The amount of soccer fields at one location
- Safe and maintained! Feel safe to go by myself or just me and kids
- You guys keep the trail in great shape. It's clean and well maintained.
- I am very happy with everything. We have a variety, always well cared for, safe . I am proud to tell people about all that we have.
- Trails
- Love Lakeland trail and open fields
- Pickleball courts!
- I love the trails and the space. I love how close it is to my home . Can't wait to see what you will be adding!!!
- Everything. How expansive it is . Well kept. Friendly workers. Water spouts at park. Dog stations. Not crowded .
- Locations
- The trail
- Bobcat
- Not overly crowded
- Trail - especially when bridges and pavement are redone, people follow rules and pick up poop!
- They fit the needs of different interests and ages. I think the township does a wonderful job.
- The bike path and the boardwalk
- The feeling that I am not in the city
- Close to home, well groomed
- They are well maintained.
- I really only use the Lakeland trail. I didn't know half of the other amenities exist. I recently moved from Swarthout to Buckshore. It's a quarter mile drive to the Merrill entrance to the trail.
- Trails
- Cleanliness and safety!
- I like that they are hardly ever busy. But at the same time I don't like that they are hardly ever busy.
- Well maintained
- They are nicely maintained and easily accessible.
- The Lakeland Trail is wonderful, just wish there were no horses. Love how close the trail is to the library and senior center.
- Maintenance is superb
- Availability and versatility of parks. Open space and free to use. Not crowded
- I love the trail for walking. I wish other townships would have paths that connect to the Mike Levine trail and make recreation and travel throughout the county more complete and safe.
- Literally have never been. Nothing has want to make me stop there.
- Natural open spaces with wooded areas and native plants, not a concrete jungle. Please keep things wild and beautiful!
- Lakeland Trail, Flying Field, Hamburg Festival
- Lake shore little league
- Lakeland Trail
- I like that use of the Lakelands Trail are free and that other uses are very low cost for the user. Enjoy the pavilions for picnics.
- Not much outside of the access to Lakeland trail. If you don't play sports, the parks are not user friendly.
- Great parks and facilities. Great maintenance staff. Easy to work with the parks and rec department (Deby H).

- not overcrowded, atmosphere at Bennett is pleasant with trees; peaceful. Not lots of loud traffic or overbusy. They are affordable for grass roots organizations.
- Kept clean
- Rail trail is awesome. Walk daily bike weekly need signs to remind bikers to call out when passing. At least 75 percent do not. The uniform ones go by so fast its hard to turn around enough to keep an eye out for them.
- Spaced out, well taken care of.
- Clean, parks, trails, playground and the workout center
- They can't be used for housing development!
- Didn't know they even existed!! You have my info on the tax rolls, you should have reached out
- Disc golf course
- I think the addition of the Lakeland trail has been fantastic.
- Well maintained
- They are well kept and the maintenance crew is friendly
- I love the trails and that I can take my dog for a nice walk. There's a strong sense of community that cares about the parks.
- Lakeland Trail multi-use. My daughters can ride horses and we can walk or ride bikes simultaneously.
- The small feel but with loads of fun
- Near the library!
- Disc golf course.
- Close to our house. Parking is easy. Not typically very crowded. Guests are nice and respectful
- seem safe and sunny and fairly close by.
- Just simply that we have them and maintain them. We are so fortunate!!
- open fields - very relaxing and great for sunsets
- Most events are visible and easy to get to.
- Some variety and some have decent parking but there could be more.
- The trail!
- I love all the trails
- No charge and the RC Airfield
- Love running on the trail
- location, size, well maintained
- Well maintained. Wish we would move to a more natural approach and less fertilizer. More natural and native Michigan flowers for birds and wildlife. A nature center!
- Love everything about our community!
- I love the Levine Trail- just have to load my bike up to get to it. I like Merrill park and the outdoor exercise equipment. I like the senior center and pickle-ball court. My kids and grandkids like The disc golf course.
- Add green space to township. Pretty to look at when driving by, but we have enough to maintain.
- Well kept maintenance
- Location close to where I live.
- Proximity to home & lakelands trail
- The outdoor workout equipment! We need a splash pad!!!
- I like the wide open spaces and the playgrounds
- That they are well maintained and close
- Beautiful, well maintained, clean, and safe.
- The disc golf course and rc field
- They are easy to use
- Lakeland trails
- The availability
- I've lived here 5 years and have never really been to one.
- Convenient & clean
- Mike Levine trail

- I like the variety of activities available, and the fact that Hamburg Township seems to actually maintain their parks and section of the Lakelands Trail.
- Everything
- Well maintained and plenty of open spaces
- Close to home
- They are beautiful
- The lakeland trail system and the outdoor fitness center.
- Biking trails, pickle ball courts, sledding in winter, boardwalk. Would Like some hiking trails.
- Proximity
- Areas for dogs to run or walk on trails
- They are always clean and neat. Easily accessible for all types of people.
- Central sports field area, one location for multiple activities.
- That they exist!
- Lakeland Tail
- Lakeland trail is wonderful. It's hard to get to from Cordley Lake road. Access via Whitewood would be nice. A link to Hudson Mills and therefore to the B2B is a dream.
- The paved trail is WONDERFUL!!!! Great to see the recent repairs & maintenance! It's a great use of my tax \$!!
- Lakeland Trail and the variety of different uses of the property
- Love the ML trail
- Love the Lakelands Trail.
- Well maintained and a good place to spend time outdoors.
- They are well maintained.
- Biking
- I love the trail system but I will on the Putnam edge so I prefer to go west, it is much less crowded. Our family loves funfest.
- Rc flying field Mike Levine trail
- The way everything is maintained.
- Groomed trails and glad to see public safety officers on the trail this summer.
- There's a lot of room.
- It's there
- Lakeland trail
- Absolutely beautiful
- There is a lot of open space and I love the Lakeland Trail
- Access to the Lakelands Trail and how the township maintains their portion of the trail.
- That people are using them.
- The are accessible and not crowded
- The trail. But it's not maintained or monitored. I've never seen a police officer biking or walking. I see graffiti now. High weeds. Pot holes. Cracked areas. Raised areas.
- Proximity and quality
- R/C Flying field, Bike trail access
- Close to home
- Trails and cycling.
- Local, Clean, and Safe.
- The Lakeland Trail
- Clean we'll kept
- Maintained well, peaceful
- They're well maintained.
- Variety of activities and are generally well maintained. A paved or improved driveway to the RC field would be a nice improvement
- How natural they are
- Lakeland trail. I can walk it with my dog, a friend, or bike it!
- Lots of space and variety of uses.

- They are well maintained. I highly encourage the township to support buying more space. This is always an improvement to the community, way-of-life and property values. Also consider putting in electric car charging stations at any new parking lots. As an EV owner, I seek out stations that allow for recreational opportunities.
- The trails
- clean, accessible and safe
- Clean & inviting
- Variety of activities
- Lakeland trail and workout equipment
- They are not overused. They seem to be adequate in size and scope for existing population.
- Nice open areas well maintained
- Location
- Quiet, clean
- They are well maintained, clean. Family friendly.
- We love the Lakeland trail, I will look to find out we're the kayak launches are and use those too. The outdoor exercise area is great.
- big , clean open spaces.... would like a nine hole golf course
- Hassle free use of parks
- My wife and I are both long distance runners, so the The Mike Levine trail was a selling point when we moved here 12 years ago. We now use it more for biking with our kids and it's really nice to be able to go for a bike ride and be able to access Zulu Lake Tavern, Cap'n Frosty's, downtown, and various parks.
- They are clean and mostly accessible
- They fell like being in nature... not overly paved or mulched over.
- Accessibility to Lakeland trail safely from my home.
- The area and the trail
- Variety
- Always clean and maintained. Very close to our house with very easy and ample parking.
- Lakeland trails for walking. Need separate biking trails. And where is the kayak access? Lived here 64 years and never saw it.
- Close proximity to home, beauty, clean and safe
- Easy accessibility and we'll maintained
- Natural, close
- Easy access and they are well maintained
- Well maintained, easily accessible
- The bike trail.
- Well maintained. Could be more family friendly by adding- improved playgrounds, splash pad, dog park, etc.
- I feel they are well maintained and a great opportunity to be outdoors and stay fit. I feel they cover a wide range of activities.
- Convenience to where I live
- Bike trail baseball fields. Playgrounds
- Large size and things for everyone
- They are clean and well maintained
- Natural areas
- I love the trail and use it all of the time.
- I very much enjoy the disc golf. I like the amount of parks and enjoy the Lakeland trail. There is a good amount of well maintained park space but I'm always in favor of more of a good thing. Not sure where you could put them but Mt bike trails would be an excellent addition.
- I don't use them and feel there is already plenty of park space available for people to use. Additional monies would be a waste.
- Trails
- Lakelands trail
- lakeland trail

- Parks and recs and lake access
- Lakeland trail, library playground
- Disc Golf and the Lakeland trail.
- Youth Sports and community events
- The Lakeland trail and how beautiful it is.
- Central to the township and linked by the Lakeland trail.
- I use them AT LEAST once per day. Walk my dog, kids sports, playground pickle ball etc. The kids play equipment is sub par at best, Dugouts need work and concession buildings are basically closed.
- The large amount of acreage that has such potential to add more attractions
- Availability to Lakeland trail. Off on quieter road.
- The trails are beautiful and go for miles so they are great for running, biking and walking.
- Lakeland trail
- Glad they exist and are maintained.
- The Lakelands trail is a great amenity!
- The rail trail. It is lovely.
- I enjoy walking and biking the trail, sometimes wonder about safety though when I'm alone. Sp rarely use it alone. Beginning to have grandchildren so will be using the playgrounds more. And when I get a dog, would love a dog park. Not aware of one now. We're past using sports fields but feel very important for kids, community, and adults also. I also like that the township has a recreation plan.
- That we have a lot of green space in Hamburg Township.
- They are always clean and maintained
- Safe and clean
- Bike /walking trails
- fresh air
- The wide open spaces!
- Close to where I live
- Lakelands Trail
- Love the trail. Fairly well maintained. Need pavilions and picnic areas. Would love to see and indoor facility with indoor track/ fitness center like the Dexter and Chelsea area.
- I am looking forward to the Levine Rail trail being connected to the island Lake trail system.
- Access to paved paths that have been kept up
- The memories. I've used them most of my life. I'd like to see them maintained and kept up for future generations. The soccer fields are really pretty. I like how you've installed sprinklers. The Lakeland Trail is such a gem. It offers gorgeous views and a really nice, easy ride.
- easy access
- Location from house, easy access
- I think they are very nice. The trees. Easy to walk. Kids like play grounds.
- The Funfest
- Love the trails for biking and walking. Also like the trail goes out to 23
- Walking trails
- The hill across from Manly Bennet park. We use it for sledding every year.
- We love the Lakeland Trails for biking! My husband and I bike there 3-4 times per week! I prefer paved trails so love that so much of it is paved. Appreciate the recent fill in of the holes and bumps! The new bridge is beautiful!
- Bike trail
- Close by to my home, well maintained
- The beauty
- I like the trail for both biking and walking our dogs.
- Lakelands trail, pickleball and outside workout area.
- variety of terrain, multiple trailheads and lack of crossings over major roads.
- Lakeland trail is great
- They are well maintained from what i have seen



- The Lakeland Trail for biking, running and walking.
- Lakeland Trail
- The Lakeland trail
- Lakeland trail
- I love the paved lakelands trail to in-line skate.
- The flat trail. It's close to home.
- The trail and disc golf
- We like the well kept bike/walking trails.
- Gorgeous scenery
- Mike Levine trail
- The variety of sports and activities it has to offer.
- LakelandS Trail
- Fun and variety of supported activities
- Well-maintained, lots of amenities
- Absolutely love the parks. Given the size of our community, it's amazing to see everything the township has to offer.
- The natural areas and wide open spaces.
- Lots of them. And still some good natural areas available to access.
- Kids play areas and trail.
- They are well,aintained amd there are several to choose from.
- They're well kept, and accessible.
- In most circumstances they are not overcrowded
- Don't use, don't know
- Like to walk in a clean safe environment.
- Rural
- The trails.
- Lakeland Trail!
- The pickleball courts and the overall cleanliness of the parks.
- Pickleball and trails.
- The lakelands trailhead is convenient and the trails are nice. I especially appreciate the boardwalk near Chilson Plaza (so please keep up the maintenance on that, too:)
- The senior center is a wonderful facility. I love what they do for the seniors there. Julie is a great manager.
- The beauty of nature along the trail that encourages an active lifestyle outdoors.
- Senior center. However the township pay the same as non residents. I think a non resident should pay a higher fee to join senior center. Also when we offer free programs they should only be free for residents a small charge should be added for non residents. I see more non residents at these events such as BBQ days and I don't attend as often as I would because of it
- Cleanliness
- Pickleball Courts, Lakeland Trails
- Lots of options Well maintained
- Variety of options!
- I love the outside exercise facilities and the walking trails
- Accessibility and the fact they exist. With the news getting out they are getting much busier too.
- non-motorized and water trails
- Safety
- So much to offer! We just recently discovered the Hamburg Parks and Rec areas. We are still learning about what's available.
- Accessibility
- Like the park maintenance.
- They are modern, accessible and usable.
- Knowing that the land can't be developed
- Access to Lakelands Trail

- We used to love the soccer fields...but then it closed. Not much else to do now...playgrounds are small and unappealing.
- The open space
- trails
- Usually quiet and lot not overly crowded
- I love using the Lakeland trail! I can train for a marathon easily without having to worry about which roads to turn down to get to my required mileage.
- Lakeland trail
- The lakeland trail
- We have a broad range of space that is underutilized
- Its Hamburg! We love it here!
- They're easily accessible and safe for people.
- User friendliness.
- They are always well maintained.
- nearby well maintained
- nearby well maintained
- Not overly crowded and the greenspace
- The walking trail is lovely.
- Trails and pickleball
- Clean, Well Maintained
- Sheer variety/availability of parks/facilities.
- Clean and easy to reach
- I love the bike trail and use it a lot. I'm lucky to have access within my neighborhood. I don't use any other of the parks anymore, they seem aimed at families with children and sports.
- The Lakeland trail! What an incredible asset to our community!
- They are accessible and have parking. I would love to see more outdoor activities involving seniors.
- Open and uncrowded during the week. Able to get a good long walk in.
- That they are available and accessible
- How close and assessable it is.
- Lakeland trail
- Close to my house. Playgrounds. Lakeland trails.
- Pickleball courts.
- Love the trails
- Lakelands Trail runs through our sub, and we use it daily. Having it paved was a huge improvement, and dramatically increased usage of it. The key now is to maintain it properly.
- The Lakeland's Trail and the friendliness of all of the township employees I meet out there.
- Pickle ball courts
- Everything, love our township
- Well kept
- We like riding our bikes to the parks and using the playground, running around the soccer fields. We also like sledding on the hills by the soccer fields in the winter.
- DPW hardworking group
- The number of facilities available
- Love the outdoor areas, they're wonderful for daily walks. The pavilions help with shade and weather conditions. Expanded/updated playgrounds and splash pad would be great for kids and families and the township needs to attract families.
- variety and accessibility
- Walking trails and the senior center
- the lakeland trail
- Library at the senior center
- Library and senior center
- How many there are. Security of people using the facilities.
- the trail for walking

- lake lands trail
- walking paths, picketball
- they seem to be taken care of and clean
- rc flying site
- they are well maintained and support a variety of interest
- Well maintained, safe, community space
- clean, safe, well kept, lots of space, lots of options, fun activities, beautiful, great location!
- everything, love it here, library and township hall and the police are close by for questions I have.
- trails and boardwalk
- they are lovely and i am greatful
- friendly, warm, good, wild life.
- beauty, spacious, all seasons, free. senior center new patio and beautiful garden in front
- quiet
- senior center is an amazing facility
- Trails
- Great outdoors!!

## 25.What is one thing you would do to improve Hamburg Township parks?

### Response:

- Gazebo/running water by the football fields.
- Bathrooms on trail
- The baseball diamonds need improvement. They started repainting them then stopped. The wood is rotten in some areas of the dugouts. The rotten wood needs replaced and each structure needs repainting.
- Township to take on the lining and maintenance of soccer fields and goals
- Wish we had more activities geared to the adults with young kids. Festivals, restrooms along trail, adult sports leagues. Hard to meet other parents if children aren't old enough to be in sports leagues. Would also LOVE a farmers market!
- The concern for me is I feel the lakeland trails can be a little narrow in areas to allow for bikes and walking traffic
- Dog park
- Walkability
- Make better use of existing fields, e.g. soccer fields on west side, rarely used for soccer.
- Add more, a farmers market would be nice
- Add a large dog park that is better than Oakland County's Lyon Oaks park so I can support my local community instead.
- More amenities
- Safe Access to the trail from strawberry lake road
- Increase infrastructure and put splashpad and community pool
- Not patchwork fixes - trail infrastructure to support long term use. Extending paved trail!
- They fill all my needs as they are.
- a playground accessible for young children, we have to drive about 10-15 min out of town to go to a playground that doesn't offer much for my 2 year old
- Link the trail to Strawberry Lake Road somehow that would be safe.
- Shaded Picnic areas, water station, bathrooms
- Restrooms and running water
- As stated earlier, I recently moved closer to the trail. I would love to be able to walk there but I don't feel safe crossing M36 at Merrill. I would use the facilities more often if I didn't have to drive there I think!
- Keep up with the maintenance of the lawn and facilities.
- Slow cyclists down on Lakelands Trail. My dog and I have nearly been hit by impatient cyclists three times.
- Better playgrounds and playscapes for kids and adding a splash pad.
- Put a paved trail around the park perimeter with plenty of benches. Also would like to see more 'drop in' type activities like a basketball court and tennis court with no organized teams or leagues. Also a few chess-topped park table/benches like you see in Central Park.
- More policing to reduce graffiti
- As access points to trail from neighborhoods (bike paths from major areas)
- Encourage Livingston County to complete the trails plan
- Basketball courts.
- Splash pad for summer and ice skating rink for winter.
- Another large meeting room for clubs like scouting. Similar to the senior center room that is over booked.
- Volleyball courts
- Security - prevent vandalism
- Need actual restrooms and not the gross porta-potties. Need better cleaning/maintenance of the "bathroom" facilities on site.
- More trees for shading. Closer pavilions to parking with paved walkway for access. More mixed use for picnicking, walking, etc. . . other than emphasis on sports. Owosso City park is a good example that provides mature trees for shade, an open area for sports, pavilions close to parking lot with

paved access, ability to sit next to river, Flushing County park is another good example with many pavilions, tennis courts, walking path along the river, sports field and mature trees for shade which is better than sitting in the open under the sun.

- More access to rent and use the baseball fields.
- Signs on rail trail remaining rider and walkers of rules.
- Would like better playground equipment for kids of all ages
- Splash pad, more equipment geared towards younger (toddlers).
- Splash pad or water play, obstacle course for kids , Rock wall. Vending machine with waters , ice cream. Dog play center.
- Video monitors
- A decent bathroom along the bike trail would be awesome
- Lakeland trail maintenance on the asphalt is not great. The recent repairs are more like what would be done in a road and not on a trail. The trail transitions should be smooth without large bumps.
- Allow Bow Hunting
- N/a
- More water stations (esp at Merrill by the soccer fields and/or the workout equipment)
- I would continue to work on upgrading existing facilities and making accessibility improvements.
- Probably impossible but encourage people to pick up after their dogs.
- We have a hard time using some of the amenities because our young children may need to use the bathroom, and quickly. More restrooms would be great, especially ones built instead of port-a-potties
- Better playgrounds
- Better pest management (deer flies) on DG course.
- Have more to offer for younger families. Events and playground/splash pad.
- better restroom facility
- finish concrete trail around soccer side- its gets muddy and slippery in winter months
- Move the largest ever of the year, the Festival up where it can be easier to get to, be seen and on a flat surface that is safer for the community.
- More summer events/activities for families and kids. Especially a splash pad and summer camp/outdoor activities
- the township should build a boat launch/ramp on the Huron for improved access to the Chain
- Dog parks
- entertainment.. concerts in the park
- Move towards native Michigan plants to support wildlife. Less fertilizer! Add a nature center!
- Easier/safer access to trails. Biking on Hamburg road, M36, and Winans Lake is very scary and dangerous!
- Restrooms.
- Charge access fees and close parks not being used frequently.
- Lighting
- Too much unused space on the soccer fields side. Use some to put in new attractions. Upgrade the playgrounds. Too small and out of date. Add off road biking facilities like a pump track or mountain bike trail/obstacle course. Add RC track near the flyers field. Better signage/information. Some amenities were unknown to me even though I've been to the parks many times.
- Add more playground areas for kids. The existing equipment is embarrassing.
- Add a couple splash pads and more dog parks.
- A better playground. The one by the soccer fields is in a little bit of disrepair. The one by the baseball fields is too small for all the kids around it when it's baseball season. I'm sure a splash pad is too much money but I would definitely vote for it!
- More use of Merrill field for events and activities. Since the Legacy opened I think the soccer space is often underutilized.
- More brooms and trash cans at disc golf course.
- Lakelands trail connections to other trails
- Easier access to cross M-36. Make a path under the M-36/Huron River bridge to avoid crossing M-36...



- restrooms
- Nothing, they are great
- More paved trails
- Spreading the word on what's available
- Safer road crossing for Mike Levine trail. Lower car speed limits at crossing Paint the crosswalks to slow cars down More training and signs for all
- Better restrooms.
- Bathrooms
- Bike path on pettysville rd that connects to the lakeland trail and crosswalk for the highschool. Both these areas have alot of foot ttraffic and it is dangerous.
- Overall very satisfied
- More trees and more shade
- Add a dog park, add a pool
- Add dog park
- N/A
- Splash pad or some sort of water feature for kids. Also, more local use of the soccer fields
- Do more to encourage people to use them. Improve the website so people know what is available to use at each park or recreation area.
- Actually, I know it's not a park but I think we need to put more \$\$\$\$ in the library. The senior center is mentioned but not the library. Why? They're both recreation
- See 22
- Bike trails on Roads so we can access the trail and more park space...all for the purchase of Rush Lake Golf course
- Add sculpture- some interactive
- More playground equipment
- More bathroom facilities
- Add more non-sport activities like concerts or movies.
- More restroom facilities
- Having a designated RC car track for youth and adults
- More handicapped parking near the senior center.
- I wish I didn't have to drive to use the Lakeland Trails. I would like to see trails that connect roads to Lakeland Trail... trails from Pine Bluff Road to Merrill Rd & Merrill Road to Manley Bennett Park!!
- Pool
- There is a lot of unused space these days. Unlike the 90s and early 2000s, all fields were being used. Now, you barely see the parks full on the east side
- Equine friendly
- More access, more land
- Splash pad, dog park
- Make crossing Merrill Road safer.
- I think our parks are pretty great. Keeping them maintained has to be a high priority. We can't out grow our ability to take care of what we have or it will all fall apart.
- On soccer days more volunteers to force traffic it's not safe
- Maintain them
- Sidewalks along Chilson up to M36
- Connect existing trails to make them longer.
- Get the porta potties more filled with blue water each change.
- Have more volunteer events
- A weekly Farmer's market, like the one in Brighton.
- Make the community more aware of the variety of facilities available here.
- Make equestrian only trails
- A nice dog park.
- Use the soccer fields for other uses. They cost too much to be so under used. Allow some of the activities that are currently prohibited.
- Add something new.

- Dog park
- Add a mountain bike trail
- Dog park
- Dog park, a major need.
- More pickleball courts
- Guided nature trail hikes with informative group leaders , speaking on topics such as ecology, history of our area, biology mycology , geology, and historical changes in land and water use
- Easier bike access down Merrell.
- Unfortunately my family and I haven't had the chance to really see what Hamburg Twp has to offer but look forward to using the parks more and providing feedback. I feel like always the most important aspect is keeping them clean. Maybe there can be some community clean up day we're we can get the kids out to help pick up trash. Helps show them the importance of taking care of their community.
- would love a nine hole par three golf course
- Talk to people using parks and get additional feedback "right from the horses mouth"
- We need to seriously consider keeping horses off the trails. People don't know how to act around horses, and it is unfair to expect them to. The horses are dangerous and it is just a matter of time until a kid or someone else is injured. Also the horse owners refuse to clean up after their pets
- Dog park
- More non motorized trails that lead to the Mike Levine Trail.
- Keep them maintained... asphalt trails cleared of large debris, patched when there are large cracks or pits.
- Put in picnic areas around the trails
- More dirt running/hiking trails
- Fewer stop signs/street crossings on the Lakeland trail. Make the trail wider on the western paved section. It's too narrow to safely pass others.
- Designated bike lanes on trails. So many complaints on social media
- Separate bike trails and no horse shit on Lakeland walking trail
- A community pool would be wonderful! Not everyone wants to swim in the lakes.
- Line painted down the middle on Mike Devine trail system
- Add splash pads and added playground equipment.
- Restrooms
- Expand
- A general use community park, with Pavillions, restrooms, BBQ Grills etc...
- More restrooms
- Add or improve existing playgrounds, add splash pad, add dog park.
- Social media posts. I don't know where the kayak launch is.
- Expand in paved trail system
- Planet fitness or life fitness.
- Local musician concerts
- Safer road crossings for trails
- Slow the bikes down on the trail.
- Add some mt bike/hiking trails.
- Add a parking fee so the people that access them support them
- More connections to trail from neighborhoods and businesses. I go to the Kroger plaza more than anywhere else in hamburg because I can get to it from the trail
- Connect trails to more subs or other trail areas like green oak mail that u can connect to island lake
- more pave bike paths (more connectors to lakeland trail)
- New playground
- Movie at park in summer
- Have biking trails connecting parks and businesses.
- Upkeep/ continued maintenance throughout the seasons
- More restrooms

- We take our grand kids to Plymouth South Lyon and Miford parks every week for various park activities ie. concerts, plays better playgrounds, water activities. These parks have lots of kids/parents simply because they have more stuff. Build it and they will come!!!!!!!
- Maintain and upgrade existing equipment and buildings.
- Stop with all the sports leagues; there seems to be no opportunity for people to just drop in and maybe practice their batting or a group of friends to kick a soccer ball around.
- Put bike lanes on the roads so that one can bike to the Lakelands Trail without worrying about traffic.
- A paved path that circles both parks on Merrill Rd.
- Add more access to our water ways, there is no way to get on the chain of lakes except 1 public launch with 30 parking spot
- Increase sidewalks or ways to get to Lakeland Trail via walking or bike. ie. Hamburg road/wins s lake and Chilson are not safe to walk on to get to Lakeland Trail
- Adding a few more parks and nature trails. Dog park would be nice. A few more restrooms.
- I would love to see more bicycling connections between the lakelands trail and other regional parks (e.g. Brighton Rec Area, Independence Lake, ...), whether through on-street bike lanes or new dedicated trails.
- Add more bike paths in general, gardens, green spaces.
- A timber town play area in Lakeland area
- Maintain them a little better
- Would love a splash pad or pool to enjoy with kids
- Variety
- Satisfied
- sometimes it really smells BAD when im on the trail by the water treatment center
- River access
- Add bike lanes or other means of access along the roads to the Lakelands Trail as this would improve access to the parks as well. A connector path from the Hamburg Township Offices/community centers and Library to the Lakelands Trail would also allow safer access to that part of the township complex.
- Indoor facility for winter months
- Add an RC race track.
- Access to full restrooms with water fountains
- Upgrade the restrooms. Make sure they're open, lit and accessible. Model them (and a new playground - if I chose two things :) ) after Dodge Park in Commerce Township. We play soccer there and afterward, my children beg to stay and play. Restrooms are so easy; the playground is amazing. Do these types of things and it will encourage people to use the park/s.
- Nothing really, I only wish I could use them more
- Buy more land to be kept as forested hiking trails. Stop the urban sprawl .
- Surface of Lakeland Trail
- Stop giving use to outside groups without charging them.
- Add dog park
- Restrooms/porta potties along trail. For bikers, the existing ones may be fine. But too far apart for walkers.
- Water access with beach and park setting.
- Add more co-located pickleball courts.
- more basic restroom buildings or outhouses instead of port-a-johns and water
- Access trails and expand bile trails
- Create some pollinator gardens.
- More and cleaner bathrooms
- Add water filler and bathrooms. Add dog park.
- Keep the paved trail brushed off . Branches and twigs and gravel are hazardous to online skaters and scooters as well as skateboarders.
- It would be nice to add a bike path along Whitewood Road to attach to the Mike Levine trail.
- More water access

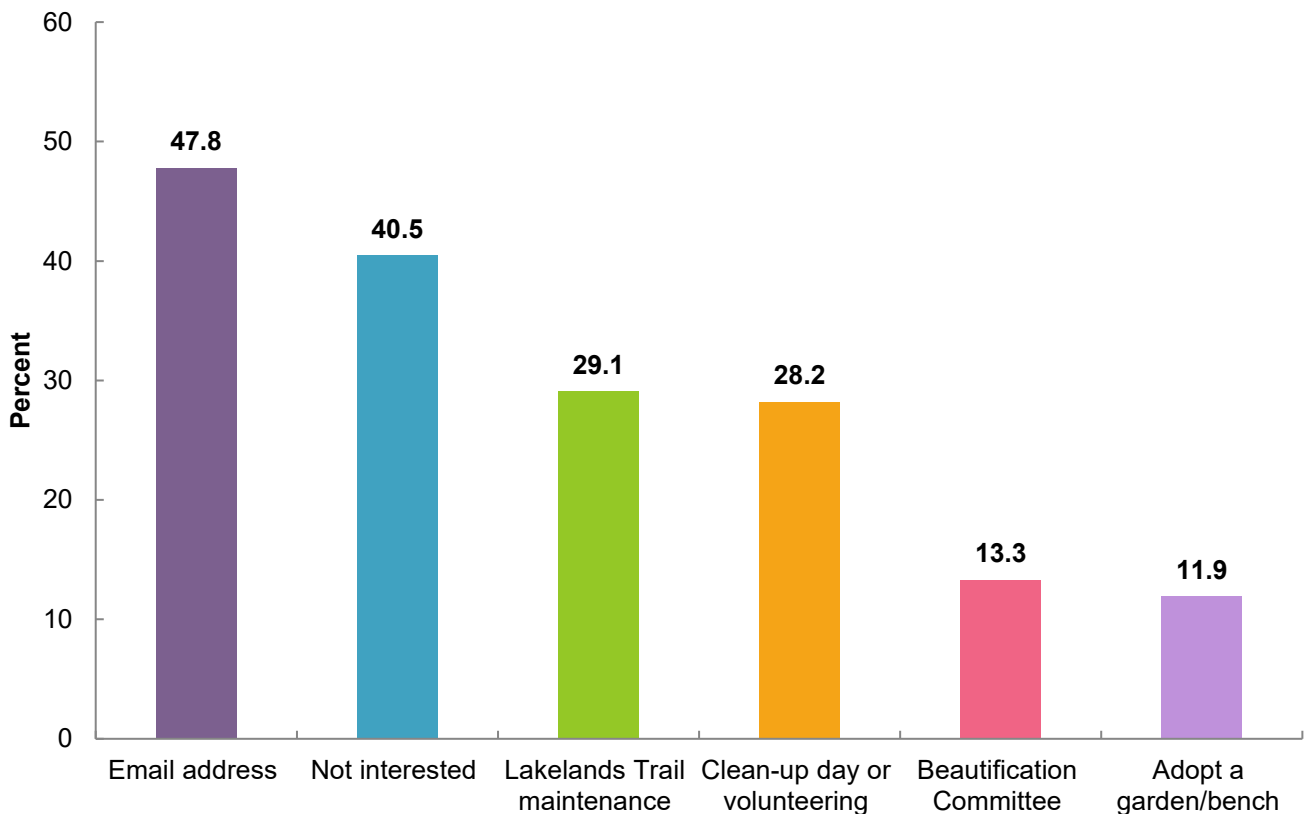
- Access to Mike Levine trail from Green Oak. There are a large number of residents in the neighborhoods near Rickett and Maltby that would use the ML trail if there was a connector path.
- You guys do a great job in keeping up the amenities
- More bicycle access to Lakelands Trail via bike lanes from neighborhoods
- More drinking water along the Lakeland Trail. A better connector to the Brighton Recreation Area for bicycles from the Lakelands Trail.
- Keep the horses off the Lakelands trail. They are a tiny percentage of the users and a majority of the problems
- Just keep doing what you are doing.
- Nature education
- Emphasize nature observation and maintain existing sports facilities. Soccer fields seem overbuilt.
- Paved parking,
- Hold more events at them to bring people out. Brighton and Dexter have events all the time. Hamburg Twp doesn't have festivals and events for adults, families, etc. The Funfest is the only event.
- Add a boardwalk to the Dairy Queen
- Dedicated website to track upcoming events. For example; if there is a soccer competition I would plan around or if there was a remote control plane event I could attend/watch
- The one time I had my dog there on his leash someone else didn't and had 2 loose dogs come and attack and knock me down
- More for children. Splashpark would be great
- Bike trails so bikers wouldn't be a danger to walkers
- I've recently seen an officer riding a bike on the Lakeland Trail and I greatly appreciate it. More regular security presence would be helpful as I run alone. I've seen dogs not on leash (which have nipped at me) and people carrying firearms which makes me feel unsafe.
- More PB courts.
- Restrooms
- Swimming pool for seniors
- The new Pickleball court was a good addy and more seniors seem to wait to play M-F maybe add 2 more courts
- Add Pickleball Courts.
- More pickleball courts
- Can't think of anything else.
- I get afraid on the trails when I'm alone. I don't know if they are safe or what the crime rate is.
- Connectivity of trails to outlying townships without needing to use public roads
- more rest rooms, not just a portapotty
- More pickleball courts
- Add more pickleball courts
- More organized activities for people 50+. Soccer fields seem like they are rarely used by Hamburg with the exception of large tournaments hosted by other soccer businesses ie- Legacy Center, Novi Jaguars
- Lots more pickleball courts!!! This is the fastest growing sport among both young and old alike.
- Continued Lakeland Trail maintenance. I like the Safety Patrol. I hope you can expand this program next year. There are only two people riding the trail this year. That's quite a bit for only two people. I had to ask them what services they were providing. They were both very friendly and informative.
- Creating a walkable trail for seniors (with good visibility to police, park benches along to rest, and with level pavement. Covered for winter would be ideal and helpful during bad weather.
- Security. I've read of women being jumped on the trail, about rude bicyclists and vicious dogs running loose.
- Increase maintenance staff and budget
- Playgrounds and more things to do
- Take better care of the aesthetics, staff is too small to do it all
- non-motorized access to trails/parks

- It would cost a lot but separate bike and walking paths. It's very hard to walk the lakeland trail at times with all the bikers flying by you and telling you they are passing you.
- Water fountains along the trail. I have run out of water on long runs and have not been able to refill my bottle or camelback. It would also be helpful to have dog water stations.
- Easier access to the trail via bike.
- We really need to keep the horses off the Lakelands trail. There are several other horse specific places for them to ride. Brighton Rec Area, Pinckney Rec area. The horse people expect every other user to accommodate them, and they make no effort to look out for anyone else.
- Connection to Lakelands Trail down Chilson road to connect near Kroger.
- Golf cart rentals for the trail
- N/A
- Enforce Dog Laws!
- Add adult sports leagues like flag football
- Map at the parks of the area
- Would love to see more access to the Lakeland Trail via neighborhoods. I like the pathd they created in Brighton that allows people to walk along side of the busy roads to get into downtown.
- Have the walking trail meet up with Brighton state park walking trail. (I don't believe it does right now.)
- Add more pickleball. Open bathrooms and concessions
- More Handicap Parking
- expand non-motorized corridors to them
- Provide non-motorized hiking/biking trails that link Brighton State Rec Area, the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail, and Huron Meadows Metropark. Also provide public boat launch access to the Huron River, even if only to the lakes connected to the river.
- More trash cans
- Walking trails, access to water, picnic tables with umbrellas or located in shade.
- I would love to have a community pool and rec center.
- more pickleball
- See previous statement
- Have them connect to subdivisions so we don't have to drive to get there.
- Safety monitoring on trails - there are some sketch characters at times and when walking solo, it can be a bit unnerving
- Put up a very clear sign that ALL dogs must be on leash at ALL times when using or are present at the park
- Access to trail
- Would love to see a connection or bike lane to cross US23 to connect to South Lyon trail system. Splash pad/park would be awesome.
- Add more pickleball courts at the senior center.
- More organized activities for older adults
- See my previous comments
- It would be great if we could somehow stop people from vandalizing with graffiti. Also more port-a-johns along the trail. The one in Hamburg is pretty clean, but the one across from Captain Frosty is hit-or-miss as far as cleanliness.
- Add dog park
- Shaded area for sports seating
- More neighborhood trail access to Lakeland trail
- Running water restroom facilities.
- Greater Ground asphalt usage on bare parking areas to keep the dust down and slow washout potholes.
- Update playground equipment for kids.
- Senior Center Pickleball courts should have a sign posted re Senior vs "everyone" hours of access and if it were possible to add additional Pickleball courts that would be awesome - getting a lot of use and helping us Seniors become more active!
- Add more trails



- More pickle ball courts. More structures providing shade for the courts.
- restrooms to wash hands, drinking fountains, bike fixing station
- improve road to flyer field
- I am a metals artist, i would like to see you have a metal sculpture park. all outdoor material would be welcome. I have a 9 foot pile with a revolving flying saucer that would be a good part of it. I have my own garden at home.
- add a splash pad and dog park walking bridge over or under Merrill rd
- thrilled we have it here
- add more pickleball courts
- add physical maps on where you are at. if you lose wifi how do toy know where you are at and how do you get home? edges of trails need to be better maintained
- cross county ski rentals, snow shoe rentals
- flower planting donated from residents.
- expand the senior center
- Access from my development! Please

**26. If you would like to be added to the Parks and Recreation email list to be notified about survey results and park events, please provide your email address below. If you would like to receive emails, what are you most interested in? Please check all that apply.**



Some respondents provided email addresses to receive notifications on specific subjects. Those email addresses have been recorded as an internal document for use by the Township, but will not be published in the Recreation Plan.

## **APPENDIX C**

### **SOURCES OF RECREATION GRANT FUNDING**

## Appendix C Sources of Recreation Grant Funding

### Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF)

- Match requirement – minimum of 25%
- Development grants
  - Minimum Grant Request \$15,000 Maximum Grant Request \$300,000
- Acquisition grants
  - No minimum or maximum
- Goals of MNRTF Board
  - Resource Protection – very important
  - Water Access
  - Community Recreation
  - Urban Recreation
  - Economic Development
  - Trail Development
- Due annually on April 1
- [www.michigan.gov/dnr](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr)

### Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)

- Administered by MNRTF
- 50% match required
- Minimum grant request \$30,000 (\$60,000 project total)
- Maximum grant request \$500,000 (\$1,000,000 project total)
- Funds a wide variety of outdoor recreation projects
- Applications due annually on April 1
- [www.michigan.gov/dnr](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr)

### Michigan Recreation Passport Grant

- Administered by MNRTF
- Minimum 25% match
- Focus is on improving and renovating existing parks
- Minimum Grant Request - \$7,500, Maximum \$150,000
- Applications due on April 1
- For outdoor *and indoor* recreation projects
- [www.michigan.gov/dnr](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr)

### Michigan Department of Transportation - Transportation Alternatives Program

- For non-motorized transportation (paths) and rehabilitation and operation of historic transportation buildings, structures, or facilities (bridges, railroad depot, etc.)
- 20% minimum match required, 40% recommended
- Eligible applicants include county road commissions, cities, and villages. Other organizations may *sponsor* applications (i.e. County Road Commission or local MDOT office sponsors a township application)
- Rolling on-line application process
- [www.michigan.gov/mdot](http://www.michigan.gov/mdot) Go to “Projects and Programs”.

## Great Lakes Fisheries Trust (GLFT)

- Objective – improve or create shore-based Great Lakes recreational access.
- Must be located on the Great lakes or lower portions of major tributaries
- Matching funds not required but projects with local funding will be favored.
- Due in August/September
- [www.glft.org](http://www.glft.org)

## Michigan Coastal Management Grants

### Objectives

- Protect, manage and restore coastal communities and habitats
- Restore historic structures
- Revitalize urban waterfronts
- Increase recreational opportunities along Michigan's Great Lakes coast
- Applicant must be a coastal unit of government
- Maximum grant request - \$100,000
- Match requirements – 50% (some flexibility in match for non-construction projects that result in changes to local master plans or zoning ordinances, regional greenways, or include conservation planning)
- Eligible projects
  - Studies, Designs and Land Use Plans – must have a direct connection to coastal planning and/or resource protection.
  - Construction – boardwalks, trails, lighthouse preservation, habitat restoration, scenic overlook, etc.
- Due annually on May 1
- [www.michigan.gov/deqcoastal](http://www.michigan.gov/deqcoastal)

## Other grant programs to consider:

### Coastal Program – Great Lakes – US Fish and Wildlife Service

- Grants to conserve fish and wildlife and their habitats and to support healthy coastal ecosystems
- Rolling application process
- [www.fws.gov/coastal/coastalgrants/index.html](http://www.fws.gov/coastal/coastalgrants/index.html)

### Specific sports and sports foundations

- United States Tennis Association (USTA)
  - funding for tennis courts and programs
  - [www.usta.com](http://www.usta.com)
- Major League Baseball
  - Baseball Tomorrow Fund
  - [www.baseballtomorrow.com](http://www.baseballtomorrow.com)
- United States Soccer
  - [www.ussoccerfoundation.org](http://www.ussoccerfoundation.org)

## Safe Routes to School

- For projects near elementary and middle schools:
  - Sidewalks
  - Traffic calming and speed reduction
  - Pedestrian and bicycle crossing improvements
  - On-street and off-street bicycle facilities
  - Off-street pedestrian facilities
  - Traffic diversion improvements in the vicinity of schools
- Need to complete the safe routes planning process to apply
- [www.saferoutesmichigan.org](http://www.saferoutesmichigan.org)

## Trust for Public Land (TPL)

- Conservation Transactions  
TPL helps structure, negotiate, and complete land transactions that create parks, playgrounds, and protected natural areas. TPL serves as an independent agent, buying land from willing landowners and then transferring it to public agencies, land trusts, or other groups for protection. In some instances, TPL will protect land through conservation easements, which restrict development but permit traditional uses such as farming and ranching.
- [www.tpl.org](http://www.tpl.org)

## Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Grants

- Must be part of a watershed management plan
- Projects aimed at reducing nonpoint source pollution (streambank and shoreline stabilization, rain gardens, erosion control, conservation easements)
- 25% match required
- [www.michigan.gov/deq](http://www.michigan.gov/deq) - Go to "Water", then "Surface Water" and then to "Non-point Source Pollution".

## Community Foundations

### Private Foundations and Endowments

#### KEEP IN MIND...

- Match requirements can usually be in-kind services, donations, or cash,
- Most grants are provided on a reimbursable basis.
- Barrier free accessibility is usually required for improvement projects,
- Multiple partners, multiple jurisdictions can be viewed favorably – think "regional" projects.

## **APPENDIX D**

### **MIKE LEVINE LAKELANDS TRAIL STATE PARK MAP**



Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park

On May 28, 2018, a new sign was unveiled at the Pinkney Depot officially naming the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park in honor of the local inventor, philanthropist and tireless supporter of the Lakelands Trail and Great Lake-to-Lake Trail.

One of Michigan’s five “linear” state parks, the trail currently consists of approximately 20 miles of nonmotorized, multi-use trail passing through a varied landscape of woodlands, wetlands, lakes, small country towns and quaint family farms.

The trail includes 8 miles of paved asphalt trail, with an unpaved equestrian path, from the village of Hamburg to M-36 in Pinckney. The remaining 12-mile section from Pinckney to Stockbridge is surfaced with finely screened and compacted limestone. This unpaved section is a very popular equestrian trail. Be cautious when approaching horseback riders to avoid “spooking” their horses.

Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park was developed on the rail bed of the original Michigan Air Line Railroad, built in 1883, which ran between Port Huron and Niles. It was known as the Grand Trunk Western Railroad when the rail corridor was abandoned and acquired by MDOT in 1975. The trail was opened for public use in 1994 and has seen several stages of improvements since then.

Another 13 miles of the original rail corridor, from Stockbridge to Parnell Road near Jackson, is currently under development and will eventually connect with the Falling Waters Trail. The Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park is an important link in the Great Lake to Lake Trail Route #1 that will someday create a continuous nonmotorized multi-use trail from South Haven to Port Huron.

Huron River Water Trail

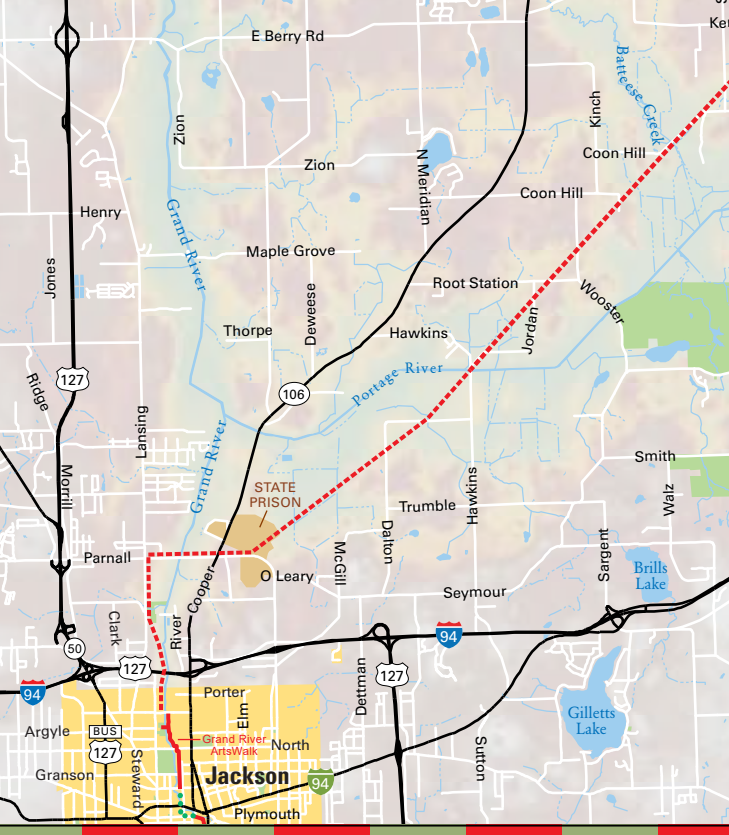
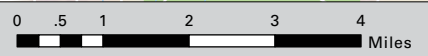
The 15-mile section of the Huron River shown on this map is part of the 104-mile Huron River Water Trail that flows from Proud Lake to Lake Erie. You’ll find easy access and riverside camping along this section of the river with one portage at the Flook Dam. For information about the entire Huron River Water Trail and its amenities, access sites, float times, portages and outfitters, visit: [HuronRiverWaterTrail.org](http://HuronRiverWaterTrail.org)

| Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park Access |         |           |       |  |
|---|---------|-----------|-------|--|
| Access Site                                   | Parking | Restrooms | Water |  |
| 1 Stockbridge Trailhead                       | Yes     | Vault     | No    |  |
| 2 Gregory Staging Area                        | Yes     | No        | No    |  |
| 3 Pinckney Depot                              | Yes     | Vault     | No    |  |
| 4 Pettysville Trailhead                       | Yes     | Portable  | No    |  |
| 5 Merrill Road Parking                        | Yes     | Portable  | No    |  |
| 6 Village Trailhead                           | Yes     | Portable  | No    |  |

| Huron River Water Trail Access |         |     |     |
|--------------------------------|---------|-----|-----|
| 1 Cedar Ridge Launch           | Yes     | Yes | Yes |
| 2 Bennett Park Launch          | Yes     | Yes | No  |
| 3 DNR Launch                   | Limited | No  | No  |
| 4 Hudson Mills Camping         | Yes     | Yes | Yes |
| 5 Rapids View Launch           | Yes     | Yes | Yes |

**Trails Legend**

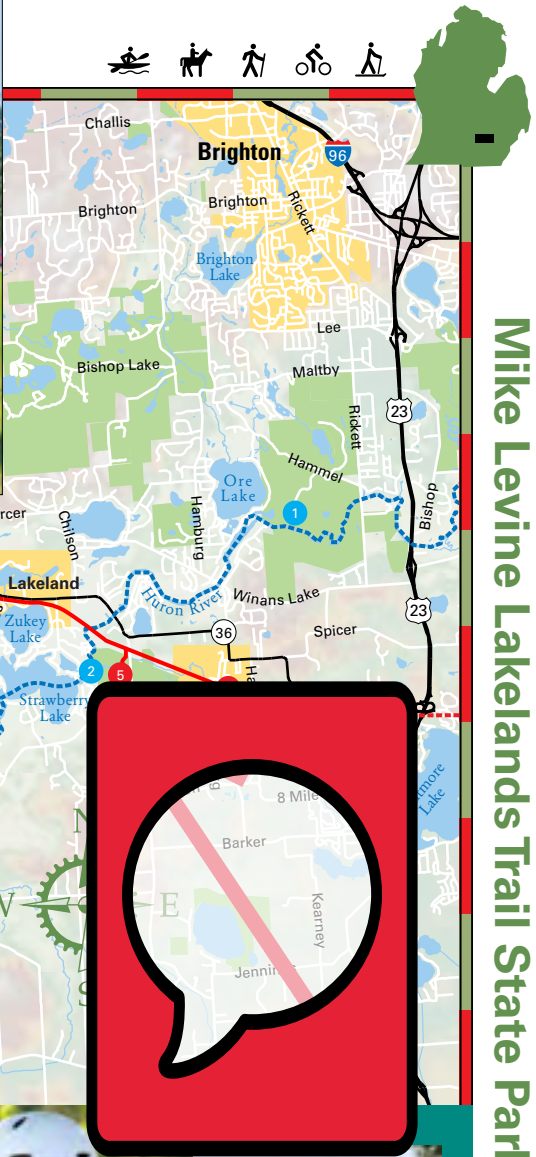
- Paved Trail
- Limestone Trail
- Under Development
- Water Trail Route
- Highways
- Roads



Cyclists ride past the Pinckney Depot on a sunny autumn outing on the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail.



At a presentation ceremony on May 28, 2018, the Michigan DNR officially unveiled a new sign for the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park in honor of his (pictured right) tireless support for the development of the trail.



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Join us!

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## **APPENDIX E**

### **GREAT LAKE TO LAKE TRAIL MAP**



System Benefits

Fifteen existing trails will connect to create Route 1 of the Great Lake-to-Lake Trails. Each trail offers benefits that will be elevated across the state and extended to communities in the "gaps". These benefits include:

**Economic Vitality:** Trails serve as "economic engines" by increasing property values on nearby lands, generating new tourism-related business and increasing customer flow to existing merchants serving trail users' needs. Business climates are stronger where people are out and about.

**Transportation:** Trails provide crucial links in local, regional, and state nonmotorized transportation systems, with traffic-free passage between neighborhoods, shopping, parks, schools, libraries and more.

**Social Connectedness:** Trail users establish important bonds with neighbors, friends and family while enjoying the trail. Whether the trail is a focal point for volunteer conservation projects, a venue for fundraising activities or simply a safe, traffic-free place to recreate, it builds a community's social capital. Watchful "eyes and ears" on a trail also deter crime.

**Environmental Preservation and Enhancement:** Trails can provide important habitat for wildlife and native plants. Greenspace set aside for nature and recreation often provides valuable buffering for water filtration, wildlife movement and other ecological processes. Trails enhance parklands, providing interconnected corridors to support these important natural systems.

**Health and Fitness:** Residents of trail communities enjoy low-cost recreation facilities i.e. walking, bicycling, rollerblading, etc. for good health and fitness. Trails also provide relief from the pressures of everyday stress by offering mental reprieves into nature.

**Outdoor Education:** Hands-on science and history lessons can be developed for all ages, given the abundant resources available on trails. Rail-trail conversions can teach important lessons on re-use and historic preservation as well.

Another benefit gained from connecting the trails involves increased development momentum. The Great Lake-to-Lake Trail artery establishes a framework for 55 communities to "tap into" for planning purposes. Each trail segment can be an element of a local nonmotorized transportation plan or designation, such as "Safe Routes to School", "Bicycle Friendly Community" or other initiative. From a marketing standpoint, a fully connected cross-state trail attracts more attention both within and outside the state.



34 miles of nonmotorized transportation on the Kal-Haven Trail



An exercise competition on the Macomb Orchard Trail



A need for "Safe Routes to School"

# Trails Uniting Michigan

The Great Lake-to-Lake Trails project began in 2009 with a generous grant to Michigan Trails and Greenways Alliance from the Kresge Foundation, to accelerate the development of cross-state trails. Anticipated outcomes include enhanced tourism, transportation, health and fitness and economic development opportunities. Stakeholder identification and collaboration on a multi-agency level is ongoing. A marketing/branding strategy and recommended next steps are included in the planning effort.



Michigan ranks #1 in the country with 2,478 miles of open rail-trail. With connecting non-rail-trail miles, there are well over 3,000 miles of multi-use trail for hiking, bicycling, running and often snowmobiling, horseback riding and ORV use, operated by state, county, township, city, village or nonprofit entities. Michigan is now at the enviable point of being able to connect long stretches of trail corridor across the state. Many of the east-west cross-state trail routes can be connected from one Great Lake to another in the foreseeable future. A system of five Great Lake-to-Lake Trails is envisioned for promoting Michigan's tourism and nonmotorized transportation assets. Route 1 extends from South Haven to Port Huron and is comprised of 15 trails totaling 178 miles already in place. Many opportunities for thematic promotion will present themselves as these trails are connected to each other. For a current map of Michigan's multi-use trail system, see [www.michigantrails.org](http://www.michigantrails.org).



Proposed Informational Kiosk



Proposed Trail Identification Signage

## Marketing, Branding and Signage

The 15 existing trails within Route 1 are as distinct from each other as they are similar. A strong collective identity will create a framework for promotion of each individual trail. With 15 different local trail names, 8 different logos, 6 friends groups, and ownership ranging from state, to county, to township, to city, a unifying umbrella will strengthen the system's appeal.

"The Great Lake-to-Lake Trails" evokes images of cross-state routes from one Great Lake to another. The logo uses the unmistakable Michigan "mitten" outline with a blue edge to symbolize the Great Lakes' water's edge and a green underscore for the land-based corridor. The identity is detailed enough to symbolize a long-distance cross-state route but uncluttered enough to avoid conflict with individual trail names or logos. The Great Lake-to-Lake Trails insignia can be incorporated into signage on the trails as well as into promotional items, such as merchandise, trail guides and a website. Concepts for on-road signage are designed according to the federally mandated Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

**Route 1**  
**South Haven to Port Huron**  
Beaches, farmlands, woodlots, small towns and local produce

**Route 2**  
**Muskegon to Bay City**  
Transition zone between agricultural south and rustic north

**Route 3**  
**Charlevoix to Alpena**  
Spectacular Great Lake views and historic Mackinac Island

**Route 4**  
**Manistique to Marquette**  
Wildlife, mining history and stunning sandstone cliffs

**Route 5**  
**Escanaba to Porcupine Mountain State Park**  
Rugged beauty of the western Upper Peninsula

The five Great Lake-to-Lake Trails provide visitors an opportunity to sample five unique slices of Michigan. A website will be produced that showcases trip options and includes links to each individual trail, allowing trail users a central portal for planning their entire trip.

A promotional brochure template has been developed that entices tourists with various tour itineraries ranging from easy 1-day outings to week-long "pedal and train" options.

## Featured Destinations on the Trail:



**South Haven Sunset** - The enchantment of Lake Michigan and power of her beaches to nourish the soul is the basis for South Haven's appeal as a vacation destination. Rich with maritime legacies, lakeshore lodging, shopping, dining, festivals and vast recreational options, this one-of-a-kind Michigan beachtown is an icon for "fun".



**The Union** - is a Kalamazoo entertainment venue featuring performances by faculty, alumni and students of Western Michigan University. The feel of this local haunt is more than just a restaurant with live music. Much like a Chicago Jazz bar, consorting at The Union is different. Better! It's a departure from the Midwest. It provides a sensation as much as it does a great meal.



**The W. K. Kellogg House** - is among many attractions on Battle Creek's Heritage Mile. This stretch of the Battle Creek Linear Park interprets: "The Freedom Saga of Battle Creek", commemorating the City's commitment to freedom and human rights and "The Road to Wellness" - men and women who pioneered innovative thinking in health and wellness.



**Armory Arts Village** - North of downtown Jackson, the Armory Arts Village is a bold, innovative transformation of Michigan's first State Prison (1837 - 1935) into an artisan neighborhood complete with year-round public tours. The trail passes through the heart of the village and a stunning, 25 ft. high, turreted stone, perimeter wall.



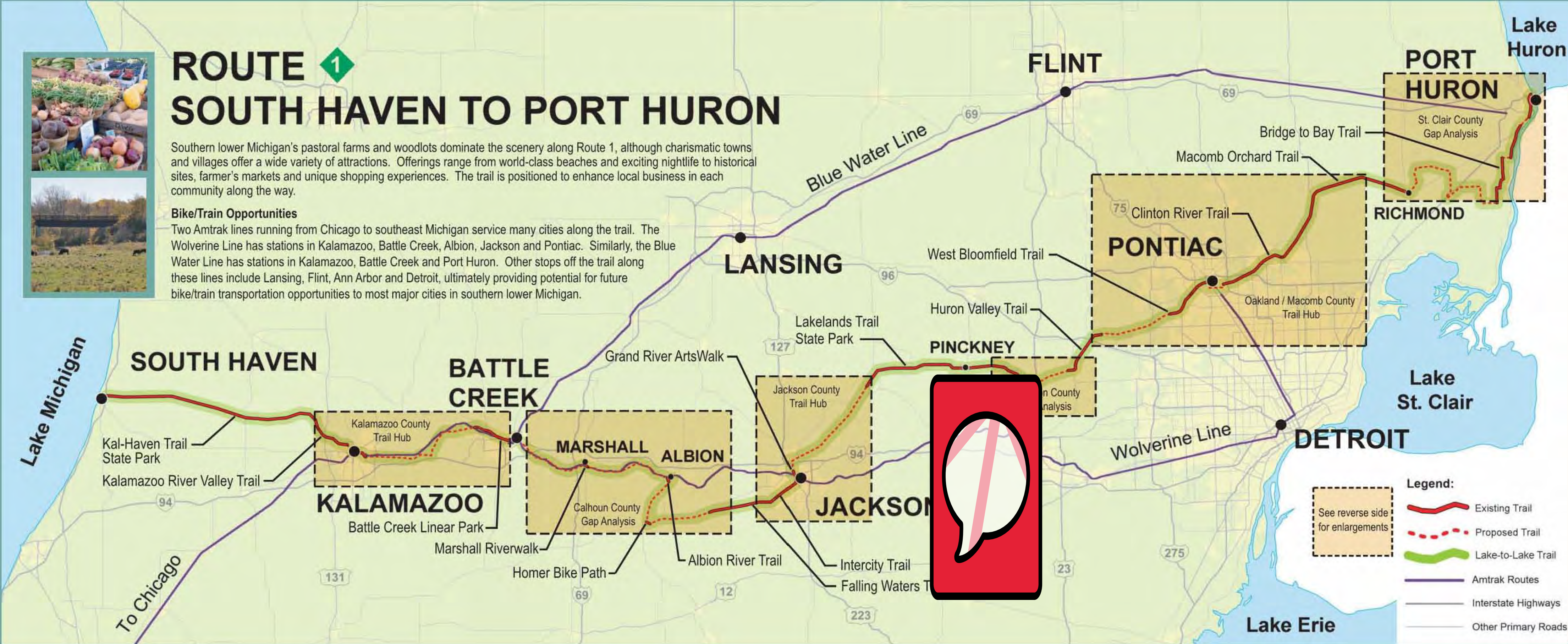
**The Pinckney State Recreation Area** - is easily accessed from the Lakelands Trail. Over 11,000 acres of natural area provide a wide variety of outdoor recreation pursuits including hiking trails, equestrian trails, boating, hunting, fishing and camping.



**Yates Cider Mill** - This historic cider mill, dating back to 1863, is located alongside the flowing waters of the former Clinton-Kalamazoo Canal, one half mile from the Clinton River Trail. Watch the cider-making or take in one or more of the other attractions here including fudge and ice cream shops, a petting zoo and pony rides, or take a stroll on the riverwalk.

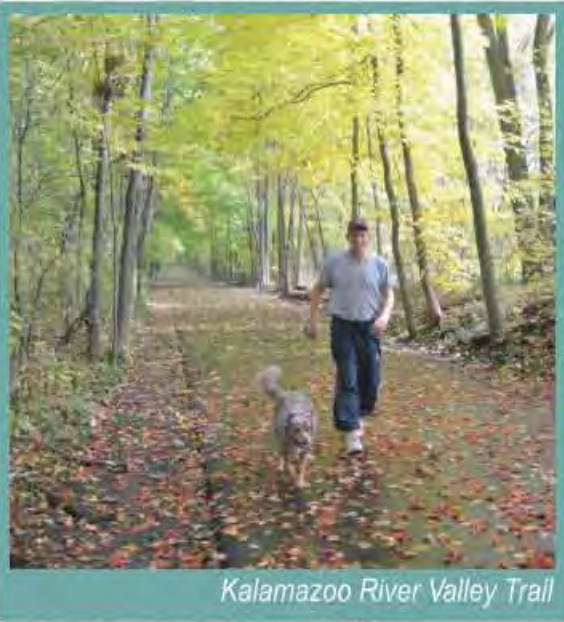


**Port Huron Sunrise** - The "Blue Water Area" of Lake Huron shows off incredible hues of cobalt, turquoise and sparkling sapphires following a dazzling, wide spectrum of morning color. Green parks, boardwalks and wide beaches entice visitors and locals to lounge along the water and breathe in the natural beauty.





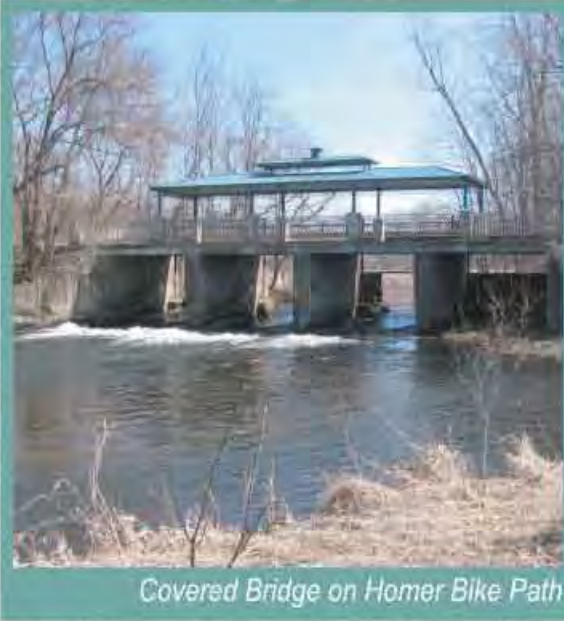
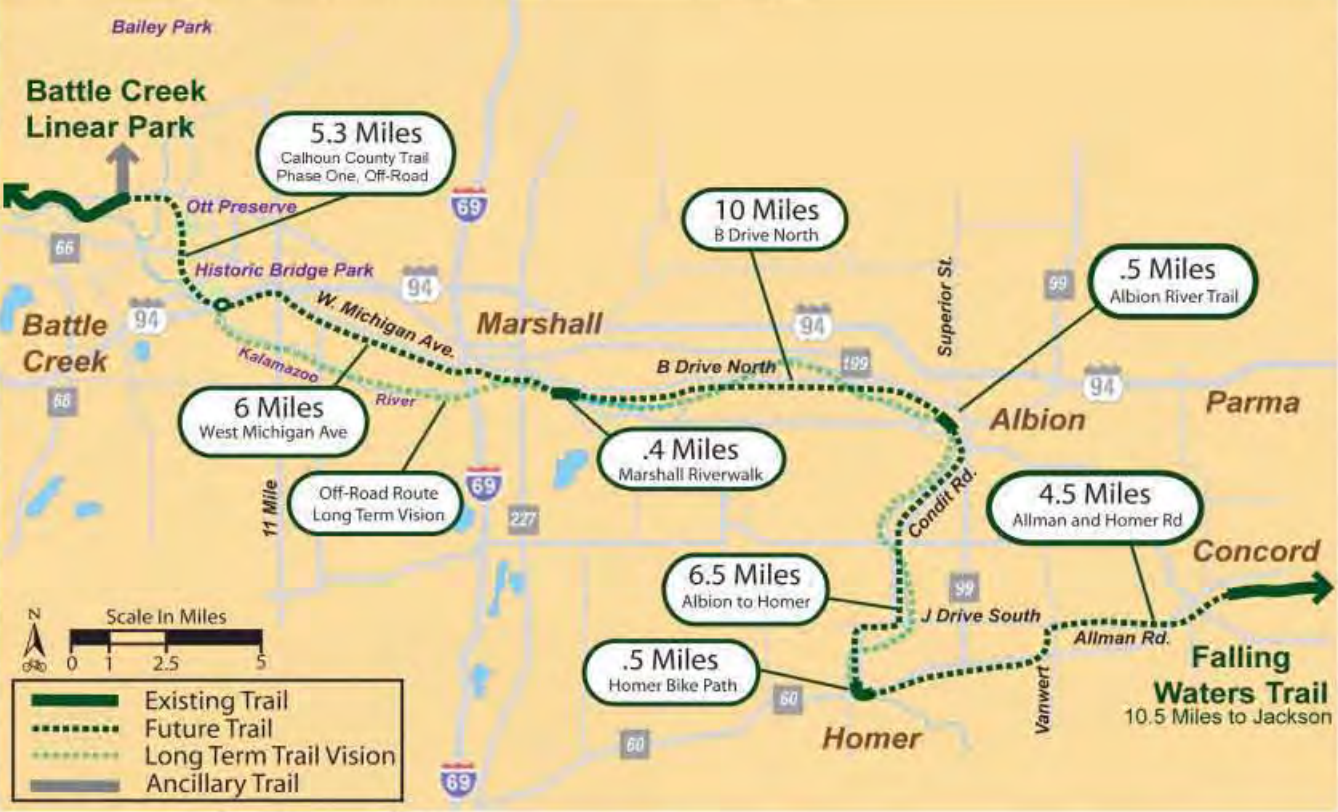
Kalamazoo County Trail Hub



The Kal-Haven Trail State Park transitions to the Kalamazoo River Valley Trail upon entering the City's west side. This 12' wide path provides 14 miles of nonmotorized recreation. Future plans continue the route through downtown Kalamazoo, providing access to many amenities including parks, the Kalamazoo Nature Center, Portage Celery Flats and Arcadia Creek Festival Place. When complete, the regional hub will offer 35 miles of trail and connect with 50 miles of trail throughout Kalamazoo County.

Heading east out of Kalamazoo, an off-road route is proposed paralleling M-96. It passes through River Oaks County Park, tracing the shoreline of Morrow Lake and portions of the Kalamazoo River before returning to the highway. The route uses local streets in the quaint towns of Galesburg and Augusta and connects with the Battle Creek Linear Park.

Calhoun County Gap Analysis



A 5.3 mile off-road trail on Battle Creek's east side is planned to connect the Ott Preserve to Historic Bridge Park. From here, an interim route closes the gap to the Falling Waters Trail utilizing various existing trail segments. A long term vision for an off-road trail has many property easement issues needing resolution before progress is advanced.

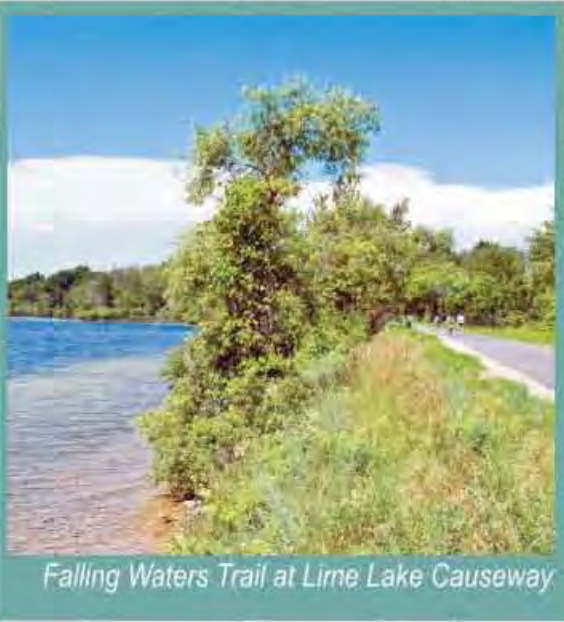
In historic Marshall, the route makes use of the Marshall Riverwalk along the Kalamazoo River. In Albion, the route uses the Albion River Trail before heading south, on-road, through downtown. Condit Road conveys travel south along the Kalamazoo River, a route shared by the North Country Scenic Trail, toward Homer. Within the Village, the Homer Bike Path provides passage along the Kalamazoo River near the downtown district.

Upon entering Concord, the route crosses the former Airline Railroad R.O.W., which will eventually bring the Falling Waters Trail to the Village's west side. For now, the route follows village streets through town to the Falling Waters trailhead.

Jackson County Trail Hub

Three named trail segments combine to create 15.7 miles of nearly continuous trail through Jackson County. The Falling Waters Trail enters Jackson from the southwest to become the Intercity Trail. It transitions to the Grand River ArtsWalk following a 1/8 mile gap along the Grand River. The ArtsWalk passes through Amory Arts Village and continues north along the Grand River.

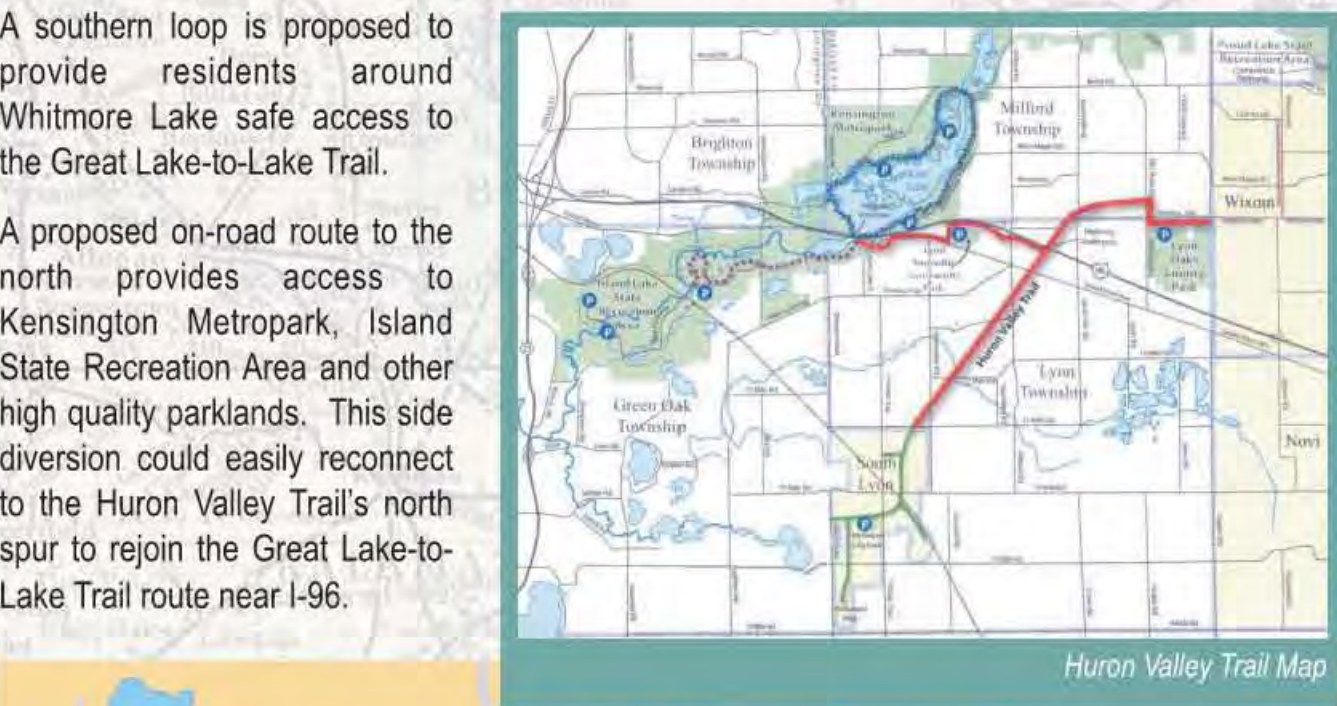
The gap from here to Lakelands Trail is filled by a proposed route north and west of the State Prison, partially using existing roadways and an incomplete segment of the Lakelands Trail State Park.



Livingston County Gap Analysis

Running alongside the expansive Pinckney and Waterloo State Recreation Areas, the Lakelands Trail State Park offers approximately 20 miles of former rail corridor for nonmotorized recreation. Its 16' width accommodates equestrian users along with biking and hiking.

A proposed interim route on 9 Mile Road closes the gap between the Lakelands Trail State Park and the Huron Valley Trail, which continues east for over 10 miles through South Lyon, Lyon Township and Wixom. The former Airline Rail R.O.W offers opportunity for an off-road route to fill the gap, although many private properties now occupying the R.O.W. would need to be acquired.

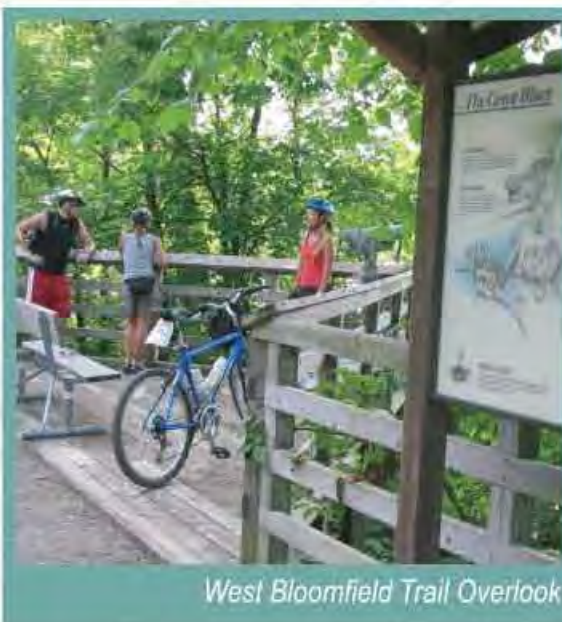


Oakland / Macomb County Trail Hub



The West Bloomfield, Clinton River and Macomb Orchard Trails represent over 40 miles of Great Lake-to-Lake Trail already in place. When combined with ancillary trails, this "trail hub" connects with many regional attractions including the West Bloomfield Woods Nature Preserve, Rochester Hills Environmental Education Center, Bloomer Park, Stonycreek Metro Park and shopping, nightlife and cultural amenities in Pontiac, historic Rochester and Rochester Hills. Gaps in downtown Pontiac and north of Walled Lake are imperative segments to complete.

A proposed off-road route uses the former Airline Rail corridor to close the gap between the Huron Valley and West Bloomfield Trails and connect to the M-5 and I-275 Metro Trails. These lead to an extensive southeast Michigan greenway network. A proposed route crossing M-59 will eventually replace the temporary route currently used in Pontiac.



Executive Summary

Michigan Trails and Greenways Alliance chose to undertake the Great Lake-to-Lake Trail project because it was "an idea whose time had come". The last three decades in Michigan's trail movement have been about securing individual trails of all types: abandoned rail, utility corridors, road rights of way, etc. Today, Michigan can extend 15 of these trails east and west to reach from one Great Lake to another, weaving in many communities and tourism attractions along the way.

MTGA formed a 12-member steering committee, including officials from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and the Michigan Department of Transportation, along with "Trail Ambassadors" representing the east, central, and west sections of Route 1. The "Trail Ambassadors" studied and recommended route alternatives by conducting field analysis and dialogue with city and township officials along with law enforcement, transportation and health agencies. Proposed recommendations represent "the path of least resistance". In many cases, temporary routes are suggested, and more permanent off-road paths will be sought as funding, land use conditions and opportunities present themselves. Route selection for the on-road alternatives in the gaps are based on many factors including:

- Pre-existing nonmotorized facilities
- Road traffic volumes
- Road traffic speeds
- Road right-of-way width
- Existing bridges (i.e. steepness, width and existing nonmotorized facilities)
- Whether the road is already frequently used for bicycling

In looking at potential long-term off-road alternatives, the "Trail Ambassadors" studied:

- Property ownership - whether owners might be willing to accommodate a trail
- The topography of the land - slope, wetness and suitability for a paved trail
- Potential where a trail might enhance the property owner's purpose for the land

To summarize Phase I of this project, the following benchmarks were reached:

1. The name, *The Great Lake-to-Lake Trails*, and its logo have been created as well as a vision for 4 other proposed cross-state routes that will connect from one Great Lake to another.
2. A website and brochure mock-up with route features and destinations were developed to help trail users with planning their itineraries.
3. At least 150 stakeholders were identified for the Great Lake-to-Lake Trail Route 1, who will all play an important role in implementing the route, advocating and planning for its development, marketing it and connecting it to destinations in their areas.
4. Each existing trail segment in the approximately 240-mile route has been inventoried as to surface, endpoints, and current condition.
5. Gaps in Route 1 were analyzed to determine potential on and off-road connections. An overview of proposed connections appear above.
6. Recommendations have been identified for the next phase of this project.

With funding from the Kresge Foundation, progress on this project is credited to the work of the following entities and individuals:

**The Great Lake-to-Lake Trail Steering Committee:**  
Michigan Department of Natural Resources  
Michigan Department of Transportation  
Michigan Trails and Greenways Alliance  
MTGA Trail Ambassadors: Robert Gregersen, Todd Scott, and Scott TenBrink

Elected and Appointed Officials from Local Jurisdictions and "Friends Groups" Representing the Following Trails:

Kal-Haven Trail State Park  
Kalamazoo River Valley Trailway  
Battle Creek Linear Park  
Marshall Riverwalk  
Albion River Trail  
Homer Bike Path  
Falling Waters Trail  
Jackson Intercity Bike Trail  
Grand River ArtsWalk  
Lakelands Trail State Park  
Huron Valley Trail  
West Bloomfield Trail  
Clinton River Trail  
Macomb Orchard Trail  
Bridge to Bay Trail

Elected and Appointed Officials and Trail Advocates from Counties, Townships and Villages in the "Gaps":

**Calhoun County:**  
Cities and Villages: Battle Creek, Marshall, Albion, Homer  
Townships: Albion, Emmett, Marengo, Marshall, Sheridan  
**Jackson County:**  
Cities and Villages: Concord, Jackson, Munith  
Townships: Blackman, Concord, Henrietta  
**Ingham County:**  
Cities and Villages: Stockbridge  
Townships: Stockbridge  
**Livingston County:**  
Cities and Villages: Hamburg  
Townships: Green Oak, Unadilla, Putnam  
**Oakland County:**  
Cities and Villages: Wixom, Walled Lake, Pontiac  
Townships: Lyon, Commerce  
**St. Clair County:**  
Cities and Villages: Port Huron  
Townships: Casco, Columbus, St. Clair  
**Washtenaw County:**  
Townships: Northfield

**Local Transportation Service Centers:**  
Marshall Transportation Service Center

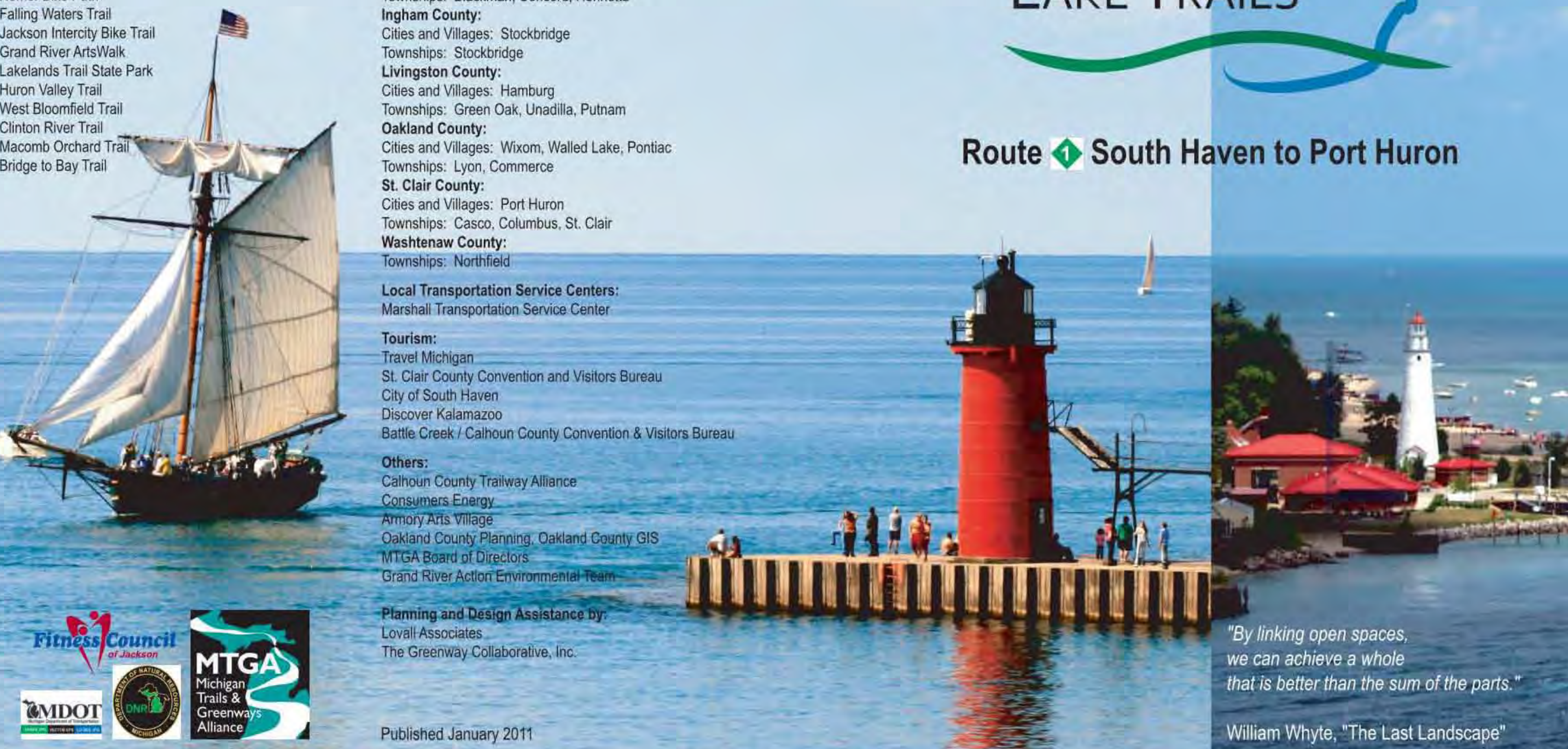
**Tourism:**  
Travel Michigan  
St. Clair County Convention and Visitors Bureau  
City of South Haven  
Discover Kalamazoo  
Battle Creek / Calhoun County Convention & Visitors Bureau

**Others:**  
Calhoun County Trailway Alliance  
Consumers Energy  
Amory Arts Village  
Oakland County Planning, Oakland County GIS  
MTGA Board of Directors  
Grand River Action Environmental Team

**Planning and Design Assistance by:**  
Lovell Associates  
The Greenway Collaborative, Inc.



Route 1 South Haven to Port Huron



"By linking open spaces, we can achieve a whole that is better than the sum of the parts."

William Whyte, "The Last Landscape"





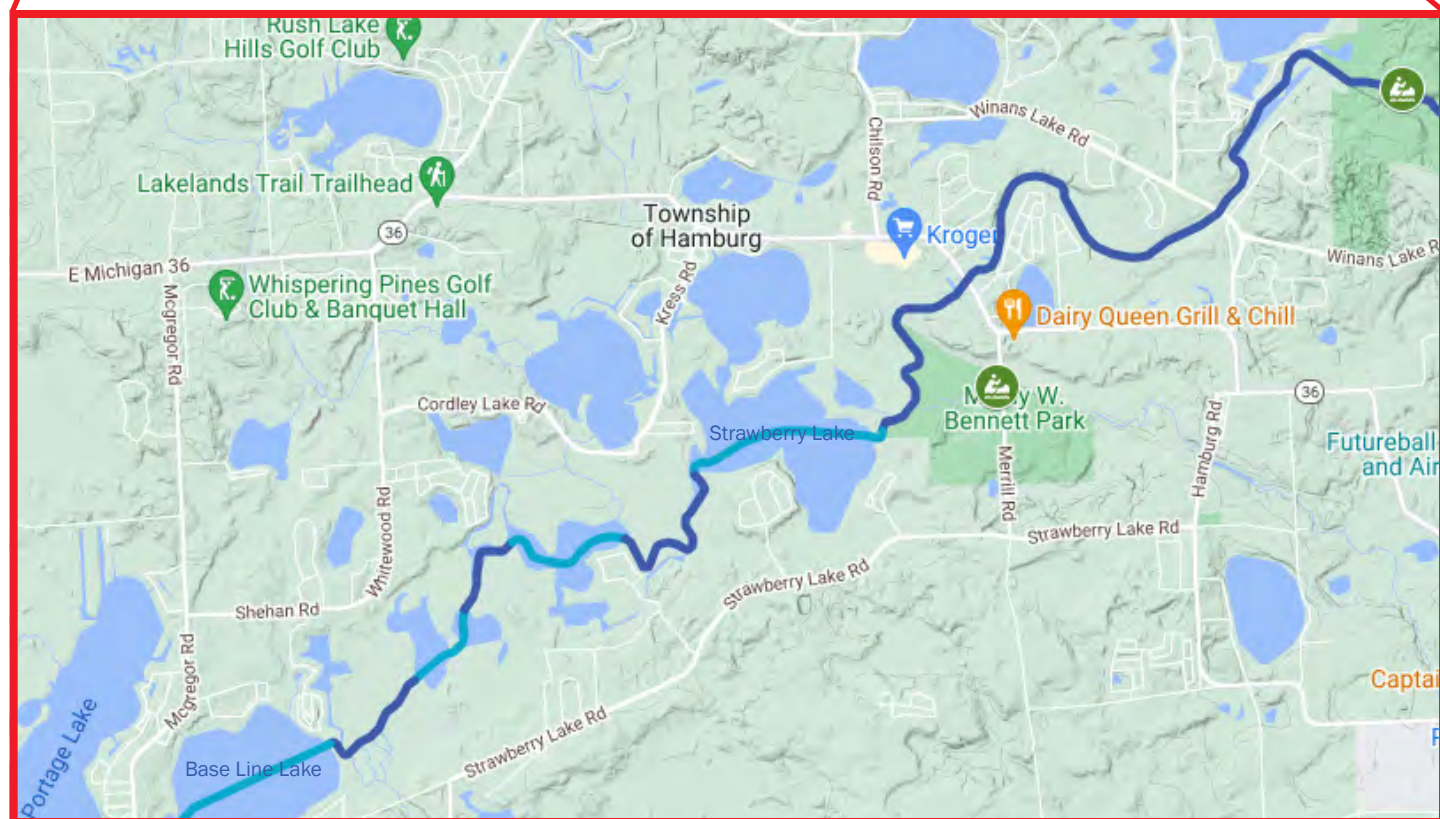
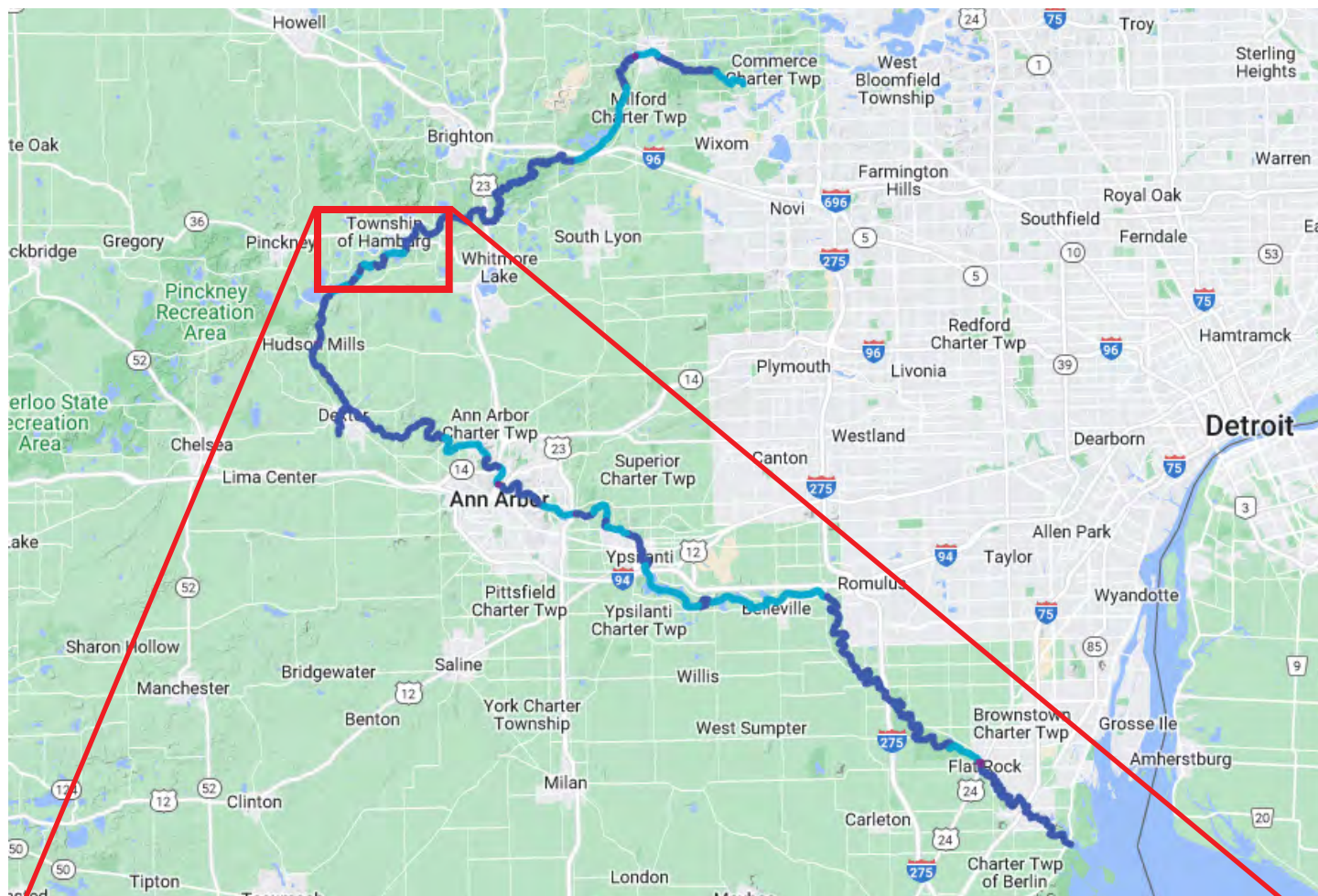


## APPENDIX F

### HURON RIVER WATER TRAIL MAP



# HURON RIVER WATER TRAIL - MAPS

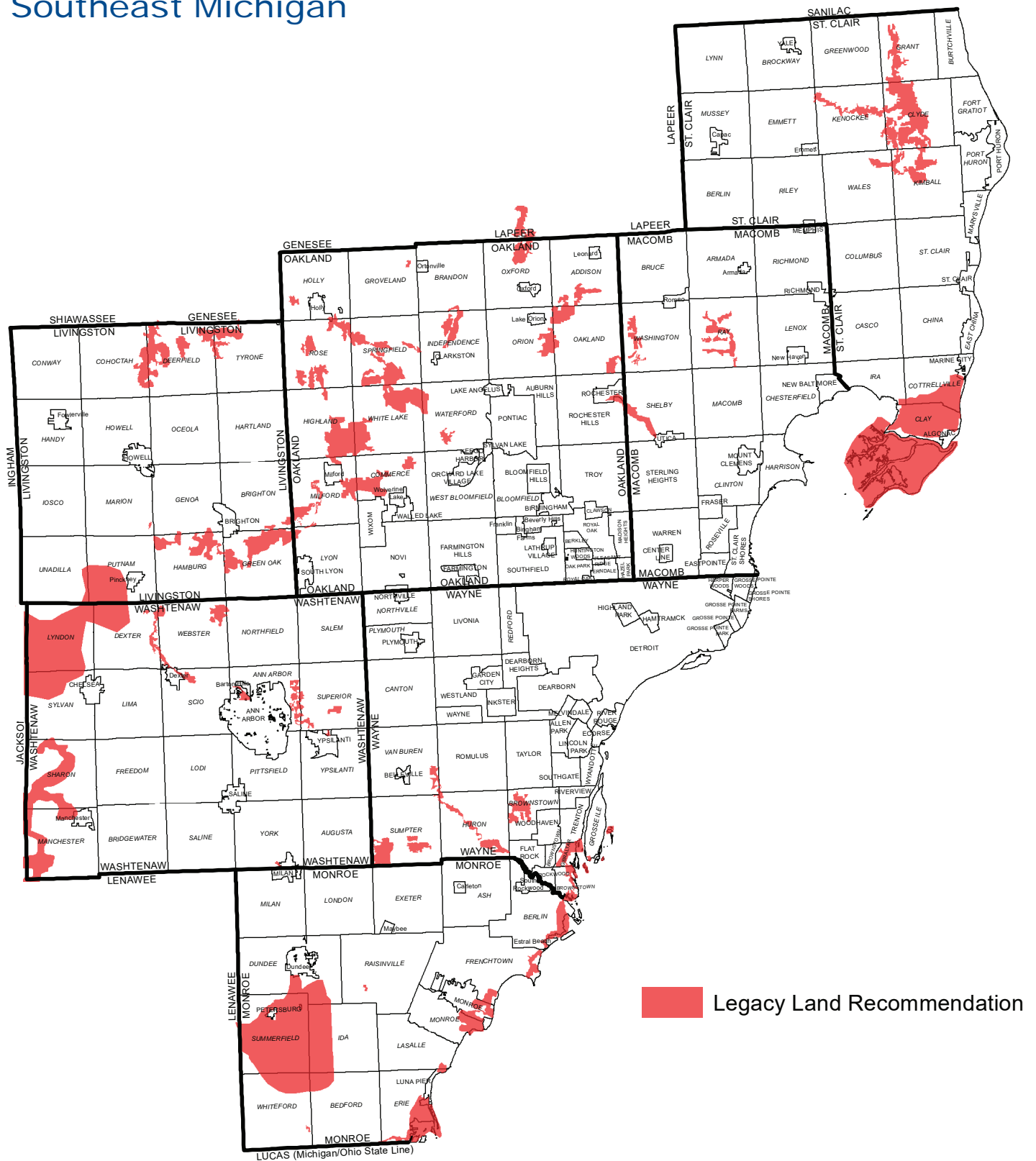


SOURCE: <https://huronriverwatertrail.org/explore/>

## **APPENDIX G**

**LIVING LEGACY LAND MAP, SEMCOG GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN**

# Living Legacy Lands Southeast Michigan



Source: Michigan Department of Natural Resources

## APPENDIX H

### ADA TRANSITION PLAN



# Manly Bennett Memorial Park

Manly Bennett Park is a very large sized flagship park for Hamburg Township that provides parking, soccer fields, disc golf, ballfields, sand volleyball, model airplane, rugby field, picnic shelters, restrooms and playgrounds. The main issues at this park are not providing proper accessible parking or the proper number, missing van accessible spaces, missing accessible routes, abrupt transitions too high, slopes too steep, protruding objects, gaps too wide, AED out of reach range, counters too high and protrude out, signage mounted too high, door force too high, not accessible locks, towel dispenser mounted too high, no accessible route to playground surface, no companion seating at bleachers or player benches, no accessible surface at grills, no accessible picnic tables, and no accessible portable toilets on an accessible surface. **Please Note:** When a **UD** is indicated, this is a Universal Design (**UD**) recommendation to enhance accessibility. The **UD** recommendation is not required to meet the minimum accessibility standards but it would be encouraged. When engineered wood fiber is used, provide a regular maintenance of the surface to keep it in compliance with appropriate accessibility slopes. If used in this report, the letters, **AFF** stand for above finished floor



The report uses two different accessibility codes. The 2010 Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines (ADAAG) can be downloaded from the Access Board website. The website is [www.access-board.gov](http://www.access-board.gov). In addition, the Michigan's Barrier Free Design Law was also used in this report. This code is the same as the 2003 ICC/ANSI A117.1-2003 Code. This code book can be purchased at the International Code Council website [www.iccsafe.org](http://www.iccsafe.org). The estimated costs for correction of access barriers are taken from the "Means ADA Compliance Pricing Guide 2nd Edition". Each estimated cost for corrective actions have been adjusted for inflation and regional costs to better reflect the 2016 expenses in the Hamburg Township and Detroit area.

The Hamburg Township is part of a local government which requires compliance with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Changes to the park district would allow for equal opportunity to participate in programs and activities, effective communication, and program accessibility. Access of programs and activities can be achieved by removal of physical barriers, modification of policies, practices and procedures that discriminate against a person with a disability and relocation to an accessibility facility. In existing facilities, the ADA does allow the relocation of a program from an inaccessible facility to an accessible facility until all access barriers have been removed. See 28 C.F.R. §35.150(a)(1);(b)(1) for additional information.

PLEASE NOTE: Any references for Outdoor Developed Areas is presently not approved by the Department of Justice. However, it would be recommended to follow these standards as "Best Practices" at this point in time. In addition, in existing facilities, the ADA does allow the relocation of a program from an inaccessible facility to an accessible facility until all access barriers have been removed. See 28 C.F.R. §35.150(a)(1);(b)(1) for additional information. ADAAG 206.2 requires that at least one accessible route be provided within the boundary of the site. The reports provide comments on all routes that when upgrades are made in the future modifications can be made to correct the access barrier or in some cases modify to the greatest extent possible.



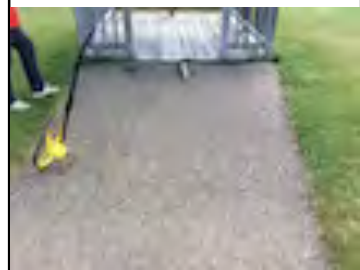
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# Manly Bennett Memorial Park



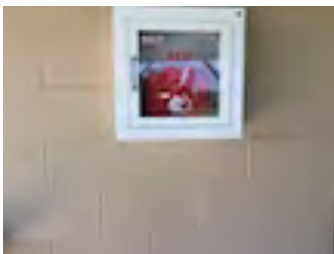
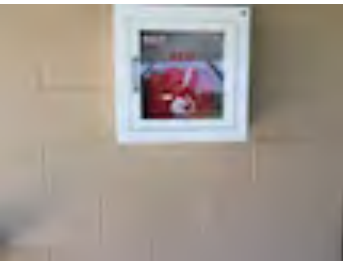
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| <b>West Park</b>  |   |             |  |          |         |                |                |              |
|    | There are 4 accessible parking spaces but the parking lot is gravel only. The size of the parking lot appears to require more accessible parking. | ADAAG 502   | Provide one accessible parking space with an access aisle a minimum of 60 inches plus a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility at the head and middle of the parking space. The parking space and access aisle should be no steeper than 2% in all directions and on a firm and stable surface. Locate the accessible parking space on the shortest accessible route. <b>UD</b> - Provide a Universally Designed parking space with a minimum 11 foot (132 inches) parking space and a minimum 5 foot (60 inches) access aisle. | <b>1</b> |         | \$ 3,525.00    |                |              |
|  | No van accessible parking space is indicated.   | ADAAG 502.2 | Provide a van accessible parking space that is a minimum of 11 feet wide with an access aisle a minimum of 5 feet wide. Also provide a "Van Accessible" sign mounted under the International Symbol of Accessibility Sign. <b>Option:</b> A van accessible space can be 8 feet wide if the access aisle is a minimum of 8 feet wide.   | <b>1</b> |         | \$ 1,175.00    |                |              |




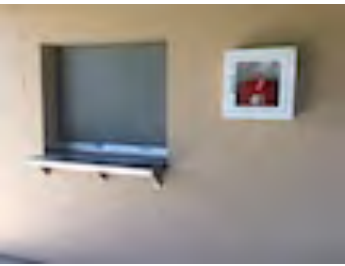


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|    | No accessible route is provided from the two accessible parking areas for 11 feet. Provide one at each parking area. | ADAAG 403   | Provide a new accessible route with a running slope no steeper than 5% and a cross slope no steeper than 2% and a minimum clear width of 36 inches.   | 1        |         | \$ 775.00      |                |              |
|   | No accessible route is provided to the brochure and bulletin board for 21 feet.                                      | ADAAG 403   | Provide a new accessible route with a running slope no steeper than 5% and a cross slope no steeper than 2% and a minimum clear width of 36 inches.   | 2        |         | \$ 700.00      |                |              |
|  | The walkway up to the gazebo is a ramp slope but no handrails are provided for 8 feet.                               | ADAAG 403.3 | Remove and regrade section to provide an accessible route with a running slope no greater than 5% and a cross slope no greater than 2% for 14 feet. This could address the abrupt transition issue noted below. | 2        |         | \$ 500.00      |                |              |

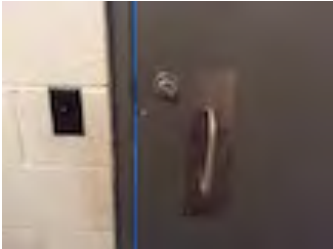
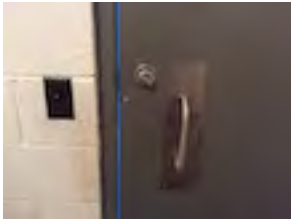

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|    | There is an abrupt transition too high at 1 1/2 inches at the gazebo.   | ADAAG 303   | Remove and replace section of asphalt to provide a smooth transition.  | 1        |         | \$ 175.00      |                |              |
|    | The hand sanitizer in the portable toilet is too high at 55 inches AFF. | ADAAG 213.2 | Confirm with the company that you use that their portable toilets are fully accessible and meet all accessibility standards.   | 3        |         | NA             |                |              |
|    | The AED protrudes out at 7 inches and is 57 inches to the bottom.       | ADAAG 307   | Relocate the element out of the accessible route or provide a cane detectable barrier such as a permanent trash can mounted underneath and no higher than 27 inches AFF to the bottom of the trash can.  | 1        |         | \$ 150.00      |                |              |
|  | The AED is not within reach range.                                      | ANSI 308    | Remount the AED to provide a reach range no higher than 48 inches AFF for a forward reach over an obstruction no deeper than 20 inches or a side reach of 48 inches AFF over an object no deeper than 10 inches. If concern for children playing with this then lower to what is determined as the best possible height. | 2        |         | \$ 150.00      |                |              |

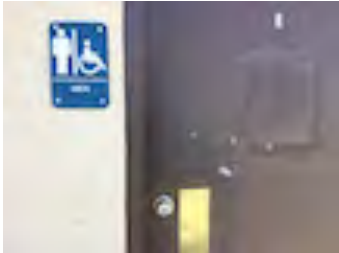


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|    | There are 8 gaps in the walkway that are too wide at up to 1 inch for 14 feet.     | ADAAG 302.3             | Fill in or replace section of asphalt sidewalk to provide a flush transition or an opening no greater than 1/2 inch.  | 1        |         | \$ 1,400.00    |                |              |
|    | There are two counters provided but both are mounted too high at 40 inches.        | ADAAG 904.3.3           | Provide one of the counters with a section of counter that is 28 inches to 34 inches AFF and is at least 24 inches long in alterations. In new construction at least one full counter should meet this height.  | 2        |         | \$ 645.00      |                |              |
|   | The two counters protrude out 10 1/4 inches at 40 inches to the bottom.            | ADAAG 307               | Provide a cane detectable barrier below 27 inches and the width of the protruding object.   | 1        |         | \$ 600.00      |                |              |
| <b>Women's Restroom</b>   |  |                         |   |          |         |                |                |              |
|  | The women's restrooms sign is mounted too high at 63 inches to the bottom letters. | ADAAG 216.2 & ADAAG 703 | The permanent room sign should to be mounted on the wall at the latch side of the door at 48 inches minimum from the baseline of the lowest tactile character to 60 inches maximum from the baseline of the highest character with raised lettering and numbers plus Braille. | 4        |         | \$ 175.00      |                |              |





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|    | The women's restroom door opening force is too high at 16 lbs.                       | NA         | <b>Recommendation:</b> While not specifically address by the ADA it would be recommended to adjust the closer so the door opening force is no heavier than 8.5 lbs. to open and takes a minimum of 5 seconds to close or provide an automatic door opener at the door. | 3        |         | \$ 100.00      |                |              |
|    | The women's restroom lock is not of an accessible design.                            | ADAAG 309  | Provide a lock with an operable part that does not require tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the wrist and does not require more than 5 lbs. of pressure to operate.   | 3        |         | \$ 750.00      |                |              |
|  | The women's restroom paper towel dispenser is mounted too high at 54 1/2 inches AFF. | ADAAG 308  | Remount the paper towel dispenser to provide a reach range no higher than 48 inches AFF for a forward reach over an obstruction no deeper than 20 inches or a side reach of 48 inches AFF over an object no deeper than 10 inches.                                     | 3        |         | \$ 150.00      |                |              |

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| <b>Men's Restroom</b>   |  |                         |  |          |         |                |                |              |
|    | The men's restrooms sign is mounted too high at 63 inches to the bottom letters. | ADAAG 216.2 & ADAAG 703 | The permanent room sign should be mounted on the wall at the latch side of the door at 48 inches minimum from the baseline of the lowest tactile character to 60 inches maximum from the baseline of the highest character with raised lettering and numbers plus Braille. | 4        |         | \$ 175.00      |                |              |
|   | The men's restroom door opening force is too high at 16 lbs.                     | NA                      | <b>Recommendation:</b> While not specifically address by the ADA it would be recommended to adjust the closer so the door opening force is no heavier than 8.5 lbs. to open and takes a minimum of 5 seconds to close or provide an automatic door opener at the door.     | 3        |         | \$ 100.00      |                |              |
|  | The men's restroom lock is not of an accessible design.                          | ADAAG 309               | Provide a lock with an operable part that does not require tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the wrist and does not require more than 5 lbs. of pressure to operate.   | 3        |         | \$ 750.00      |                |              |

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|    | The men's restroom paper towel dispenser is mounted too high at 55 inches AFF.                      | ADAAG 308      | Remount the paper towel dispenser to provide a reach range no higher than 48 inches AFF for a forward reach over an obstruction no deeper than 20 inches or a side reach of 48 inches AFF over an object no deeper than 10 inches. | 3        |         | \$ 150.00      |                |              |
|    | The mop cleaning bucket is in the clear floor space of the men's restroom toilet.                   | ADAAG 305      | Relocate the mop cleaning bucket to provide a clear floor space of at least 30 inches wide by 48 inches deep that is connected by an accessible route.   | 2        |         | \$ 250.00      |                |              |
|   | A gap from the walkway to the playground ramp is too wide at 8 inches.                              | ADAAG 1008.2.5 | Provide a ramp extension or transition plate from the ramp to the walkway.<br><b>Option:</b> Fill in gap with walkway material and provide a smooth transition.  | 2        |         | \$ 300.00      |                |              |
|  | The playground does not provide a proper transfer platform or ramp to the elevated play components. | ADAAG 1008.3.1 | If possible add a transfer platform or ramp to connect to at least 50% of these elevated play components. Because of the age and design of this playground it may need to be considered for replacement.                           | 2        |         | \$ 2,000.00    |                |              |





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|    | The slopes at the spinner are too steep at 20.2% and 28.3%.  | ADAAG 1008.2  | Provide regular maintenance of the surface to provide a running slope and a cross slope no steeper than 2%. The surface should meet all ASTM standards for fall zones.  | 2        |         | \$ 200.00      |                |              |
|    | The swings have slopes too steep at 12.7% to 19.3% and seat heights between 25 inches and 30 inches. | ADAAG 1008.4.4  | Provide a regular maintenance to the play surface to provide a seat less than 24 inches off the ground and a slope under the swings no greater than 2%. Consider a mat under the swing to prevent kick-out of surface material. An accessible swing with a seat would be recommended at some point. | 2        |         | \$ 100.00      |                |              |
|  | The benches at the playground are too high at 19 inches to 22 1/2 inches.                            | <b>Proposed</b><br>Outdoor Areas<br>Standards<br>ADAAG 1011 | <b>Bench Recommendation:</b><br>Lower a bench or provide additional playground surface material to provide a seat height between 17 inches AFF minimum to 19 inches AFF maximum. <b>UD</b> - Provide benches with armrests, backs and no gaps between the seat and backrest.                        | 2        |         | \$ 1,400.00    |                |              |





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| East Park  |   |            |  |          |         |                |                |              |
| Hamburg R/C Flyers Club  |   |            |  |          |         |                |                |              |
|  | No accessible parking is provided at each bleacher. | ADAAG 502  | Provide one accessible parking space with an access aisle a minimum of 60 inches plus a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility at the head and middle of the parking space. The parking space and access aisle should be no steeper than 2% in all directions and on a firm and stable surface. Locate the accessible parking space on the shortest accessible route. <b>UD</b> - Provide a Universally Designed parking space with a minimum 11 foot (132 inches) parking space and a minimum 5 foot (60 inches) access aisle. | <b>1</b> |         | \$ 1,175.00    |                |              |




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|   | No van accessible space is provided. See note above related to parking in this area. | ADAAG 502  | Provide one of the accessible parking spaces to provide a van accessible parking space that is a minimum of 11 feet wide with an access aisle a minimum of 5 feet wide. Also provide a "Van Accessible" sign mounted under the International Symbol of Accessibility Sign. <b>Option:</b> A van accessible space can be 8 feet wide if the access aisle is a minimum of 8 feet wide. The parking space and access aisle should be no steeper than 2% in all directions and on a firm and stable surface. Locate the accessible parking space on the shortest accessible route. | 1        |         | \$ 1,175.00    |                |              |
|  | No accessible route is provided to the practice pad area for 50 feet.                | ADAAG 403  | Provide a new accessible route with a running slope no steeper than 5% and a cross slope no steeper than 2% and a minimum clear width of 36 inches.  | 2        |         | \$ 1,750.00    |                |              |




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|    | No accessible route is provided to the work table for 60 feet.                        | ADAAG 403   | Provide a new accessible route with a running slope no steeper than 5% and a cross slope no steeper than 2% and a minimum clear width of 36 inches.   | 2        |         | \$ 2,100.00    |                |              |
|    | No accessible picnic tables are provided at the main tent area.                       | <u>Proposed</u><br>Outdoor<br>Developed<br>Areas<br>Guidelines<br>ADAAG 245 &<br>1011 | <b>Picnic Table Recommendation:</b> At least 20% of picnic tables, but no less than two, be of an accessible design, connected to an accessible route. Relocate or purchase two accessible picnic tables (\$750/each) and locate them on an accessible surface (\$1,000). | 2        |         | \$ 3,500.00    |                |              |
|   | No accessible route is provided to the large picnic shelter with grills for 142 feet. | ADAAG 403   | Provide a new accessible route with a running slope no steeper than 5% and a cross slope no steeper than 2% and a minimum clear width of 36 inches.   | 2        |         | \$ 4,975.00    |                |              |
|  | The large picnic shelter have 3 picnic tables but none are accessible.                | <u>Proposed</u><br>Outdoor<br>Developed<br>Areas<br>Guidelines<br>ADAAG 245 &<br>1011 | <b>Picnic Table Recommendation:</b> At least 20% of picnic tables, but no less than two, be of an accessible design, connected to an accessible route. Relocate or purchase two accessible picnic tables (\$750/each) and locate them on an accessible surface (\$1,000). | 2        |         | \$ 3,500.00    |                |              |

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|    | No accessible parking is provided at the rugby field.                             | ADAAG 502.2           | Provide a van accessible parking space that is a minimum of 11 feet wide with an access aisle a minimum of 5 feet wide. Also provide a "Van Accessible" sign mounted under the International Symbol of Accessibility Sign. <b>Option:</b> A van accessible space can be 8 feet wide if the access aisle is a minimum of 8 feet wide. | <b>1</b> |         | \$ 1,175.00    |                |              |
|   | No accessible route is provided to the bleachers and player benches for 334 feet. | ADAAG 403             | Provide a new accessible route with a running slope no steeper than 5% and a cross slope no steeper than 2% and a minimum clear width of 36 inches.  | <b>2</b> |         | \$ 11,700.00   |                |              |
|  | No companion seating is provide at the bleachers.                                 | ADAAG 221.2.1 & 802.1 | Provide the appropriate number of wheelchair spaces (30 inches X 48 inches space) per total number of seats (\$300 per space) with a slope of 2% in all directions. Connect this wheelchair space to the accessible route.   | <b>2</b> |         | \$ 1,200.00    |                |              |

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|    | No companion seating is provided at the player benches.             | ADAAG 221.2.1.4 & 802.1 | Connect the accessible route to the companion seating space on next to the player bench that has a 36 inches by 48 inches clear floor space from the front or rear or provide a 36 inches by 60 inches clear floor space for a side approach.  | 2        |         | \$ 300.00      |                |              |
|    | No accessible parking is provided at the sand volleyball.           | ADAAG 502.2             | Provide a van accessible parking space that is a minimum of 11 feet wide with an access aisle a minimum of 5 feet wide. Also provide a "Van Accessible" sign mounted under the International Symbol of Accessibility Sign. <b>Option:</b> A van accessible space can be 8 feet wide if the access aisle is a minimum of 8 feet wide. | 1        |         | \$ 1,175.00    |                |              |
|  | No accessible route is provided to the sand volleyball for 64 feet. | ADAAG 403               | Provide a new accessible route with a running slope no steeper than 5% and a cross slope no steeper than 2% and a minimum clear width of 36 inches.  | 2        |         | \$ 2,250.00    |                |              |







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| <b>Field #1</b>   |   |                         |   |          |         |                |                |              |
|    | No accessible route is provided to the west bleachers for 57 feet.    | ADAAG 403               | Provide a new accessible route with a running slope no steeper than 5% and a cross slope no steeper than 2% and a minimum clear width of 36 inches.   | 2        |         | \$ 2,000.00    |                |              |
|    | No companion seating is provide to the west bleachers.                | ADAAG 221.2.1 & 802.1   | Provide the appropriate number of wheelchair spaces (30 inches X 48 inches space) per total number of seats (\$300 per space) with a slope of 2% in all directions. Connect this wheelchair space to the accessible route.                    | 2        |         | \$ 600.00      |                |              |
|   | No accessible route is provided to the west player bench for 22 feet. | ADAAG 403               | Provide a new accessible route with a running slope no steeper than 5% and a cross slope no steeper than 2% and a minimum clear width of 36 inches.   | 2        |         | \$ 775.00      |                |              |
|  | No companions seating is provided at the west player bench.           | ADAAG 221.2.1.4 & 802.1 | Connect the accessible route to the companion seating space on next to the player bench that has a 36 inches by 48 inches clear floor space from the front or rear or provide a 36 inches by 60 inches clear floor space for a side approach. | 2        |         | \$ 300.00      |                |              |





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|    | No accessible route is provided to the second set of west bleachers for 40 feet. | ADAAG 403             | Provide a new accessible route with a running slope no steeper than 5% and a cross slope no steeper than 2% and a minimum clear width of 36 inches.  | 2        |         | \$ 1,400.00    |                |              |
|    | No companion seating is provide to the west bleachers.                           | ADAAG 221.2.1 & 802.1 | Provide the appropriate number of wheelchair spaces (30 inches X 48 inches space) per total number of seats (\$300 per space) with a slope of 2% in all directions. Connect this wheelchair space to the accessible route. | 2        |         | \$ 600.00      |                |              |
|   | No accessible route is provided to the equipment box for 31 feet.                | ADAAG 403             | Provide a new accessible route with a running slope no steeper than 5% and a cross slope no steeper than 2% and a minimum clear width of 36 inches.  | 2        |         | \$ 1,100.00    |                |              |
|  | No accessible route is provided to the north bleachers for 51 feet.              | ADAAG 403             | Provide a new accessible route with a running slope no steeper than 5% and a cross slope no steeper than 2% and a minimum clear width of 36 inches.  | 2        |         | \$ 1,800.00    |                |              |





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|         | No companion seating is provided at the north bleachers.               | ADAAG 221.2.1 & 802.1   | Provide the appropriate number of wheelchair spaces (30 inches X 48 inches space) per total number of seats (\$300 per space) with a slope of 2% in all directions. Connect this wheelchair space to the accessible route.                    | 2        |         | \$ 600.00      |                |              |
|         | No accessible route is provided to the north player bench for 36 feet. | ADAAG 403               | Provide a new accessible route with a running slope no steeper than 5% and a cross slope no steeper than 2% and a minimum clear width of 36 inches.   | 2        |         | \$ 1,275.00    |                |              |
|        | No companion seating is provided to the north player bench.            | ADAAG 221.2.1.4 & 802.1 | Connect the accessible route to the companion seating space on next to the player bench that has a 36 inches by 48 inches clear floor space from the front or rear or provide a 36 inches by 60 inches clear floor space for a side approach. | 2        |         | \$ 300.00      |                |              |
| <b>Field #2 or Field #3 Make Accessible (Measurements will be provided for Field #2)</b> |  |                         |   |          |         |                |                |              |
|       | No accessible route is provided to the east bleachers for 55 feet.     | ADAAG 403               | Provide a new accessible route with a running slope no steeper than 5% and a cross slope no steeper than 2% and a minimum clear width of 36 inches.   | 2        |         | \$ 1,925.00    |                |              |

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|    | No accessible route is provided to the east player bench for 35 feet.  | ADAAG 403               | Provide a new accessible route with a running slope no steeper than 5% and a cross slope no steeper than 2% and a minimum clear width of 36 inches.   | 2        |         | \$ 1,225.00    |                |              |
|   | No companions seating is provided at the east player bench.            | ADAAG 221.2.1.4 & 802.1 | Connect the accessible route to the companion seating space on next to the player bench that has a 36 inches by 48 inches clear floor space from the front or rear or provide a 36 inches by 60 inches clear floor space for a side approach. | 2        |         | \$ 300.00      |                |              |
|  | No accessible route is provided to the north player bench for 35 feet. | ADAAG 403               | Provide a new accessible route with a running slope no steeper than 5% and a cross slope no steeper than 2% and a minimum clear width of 36 inches.   | 2        |         | \$ 1,225.00    |                |              |

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|    | No companion seating is provided to the north player bench.                          | ADAAG 221.2.1.4 & 802.1 | Connect the accessible route to the companion seating space on next to the player bench that has a 36 inches by 48 inches clear floor space from the front or rear or provide a 36 inches by 60 inches clear floor space for a side approach. | 2        |         | \$ 300.00      |                |              |
|    | No accessible route is provide to the furthest north and east bleachers for 80 feet. | ADAAG 403               | Provide a new accessible route with a running slope no steeper than 5% and a cross slope no steeper than 2% and a minimum clear width of 36 inches.   | 2        |         | \$ 2,800.00    |                |              |
|   | No companion seating is provided at the bleachers furthest north and east.           | ADAAG 221.2.1 & 802.1   | Provide the appropriate number of wheelchair spaces (30 inches X 48 inches space) per total number of seats (\$300 per space) with a slope of 2% in all directions. Connect this wheelchair space to the accessible route.                    | 2        |         | \$ 600.00      |                |              |
|  | No accessible route is provide to the batting cages for 15 feet.                     | ADAAG 403               | Provide a new accessible route with a running slope no steeper than 5% and a cross slope no steeper than 2% and a minimum clear width of 36 inches.   | 2        |         | \$ 525.00      |                |              |





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|--|--|------------|---|----------|---------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
|   | At the playground two accessible parking spaces are noted but do not provide signage.                |            | See Note Below  |          |         | See Below      |                |              |
|  | At the playground two accessible parking spaces are noted but there are no access aisles marked out. | ADAAG 502  | Provide one of the accessible parking spaces to provide a van accessible parking space that is a minimum of 11 feet wide with an access aisle a minimum of 5 feet wide. Also provide a "Van Accessible" sign mounted under the International Symbol of Accessibility Sign. The other parking space can share this access aisle. <b>Option:</b> A van accessible space can be 8 feet wide if the access aisle is a minimum of 8 feet wide. The parking space and access aisle should be no steeper than 2% in all directions and on a firm and stable surface. Locate the accessible parking space on the shortest accessible route. | 1        |         | \$ 2,350.00    |                |              |






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|---|---|-------------|--|----------|---------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
|    | The size of this parking lot requires 3 more accessible parking spaces to the two existing space. | ADAAG 502   | Provide one accessible parking space with an access aisle a minimum of 60 inches plus a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility at the head and middle of the parking space. The parking space and access aisle should be no steeper than 2% in all directions and on a firm and stable surface. Locate the accessible parking space on the shortest accessible route. <b>UD</b> - Provide a Universally Designed parking space with a minimum 11 foot (132 inches) parking space and a minimum 5 foot (60 inches) access aisle. | <b>1</b> |         | \$ 3,525.00    |                |              |
|  | There are gaps with grass in-between bollards.  | ADAAG 302.3 | Fill in or replace section of asphalt sidewalk to provide a flush transition or an opening no greater than 1/2 inch.   | <b>1</b> |         | \$ 175.00      |                |              |




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|---|---|------------------------------|---|----------|---------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
|    | There are 4 large gaps around the playground walkways.                                  | ADAAG 302.3                  | Fill in or replace section of asphalt sidewalk to provide a flush transition or an opening no greater than 1/2 inch.  | 1        |         | \$ 700.00      |                |              |
|    | No access is provided to the sand surface or with different interactive play equipment. | ADAAG 240.2 & ADAAG 1008.4.3 | Consider one or two play components such as a sand digger, raised sand table, etc. that can be used from the accessible route up to the sand play area.                           | 2        |         | \$ 2,000.00    |                |              |
|   | There is a 4 inch drop-off onto the playground surface.                                 | ADAAG 1008.2                 | Provide a curb ramp from the accessible walkway to the playground surface with a running slope no steeper than 8.3% and an cross slope no steeper than 2%.                        | 2        |         | \$ 1,575.00    |                |              |
|  | There are 8 elevated play components but only 2 ground level play components.           | ADAAG 240.2                  | Provide one more ground level play component on an accessible route that provides an experience such as rocking, swinging, sliding, interactive, spinning or climbing experience. | 2        |         | \$ 1,000.00    |                |              |



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|---|--|--|---|----------|---------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
|    | The swings have a slope too steep at up to 5.7% and the swings are between 26 inches and 28 inches above the surface. The mat under a swing sticks up. | ADAAG 1008.4.4                                   | Provide a regular maintenance to the play surface to provide a seat less than 24 inches off the ground and a slope under the swings no greater than 2%. Consider a mat under the swing to prevent kick-out of surface material. An accessible swing with a seat would be recommended at some point. | 2        |         | \$ 100.00      |                |              |
|   | The grill is 11 feet off the accessible surface.   | <u>Proposed</u><br>ADAAG 403<br>and ADAAG 1011.1 | <b>Grill Accessible Route Recommendation:</b> Provide an accessible route with a cross slope no steeper than 2%, running slope no steeper than 5% and a surface that is firm and stable. Connect this route to the clear floors space of the grill.   | 2        |         | \$ 400.00      |                |              |
|  | The grill does not provide an accessible surface around it.  | <u>Proposed</u><br>ADAAG 1011.1                  | <b>Grill Clear Floor Space Recommendation:</b> Provide a 48 inches by 48 inches clear ground space on all usable side of the grill and connected to an accessible route.  | 2        |         | \$ 250.00      |                |              |



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|   | The defibulator protrudes out 7 inches at 57 inches to the bottom.                | ADAAG 307     | Relocate the element out of the accessible route or provide a cane detectable barrier such as a permanent trash can mounted underneath and no higher than 27 inches AFF to the bottom of the trash can.  | 1        |         | \$ 150.00      |                |              |
|   | The defibulator is mounted too high at 65 1/2 inch to the handle.                 | ANSI 308      | Remount the AED to provide a reach range no higher than 48 inches AFF for a forward reach over an obstruction no deeper than 20 inches or a side reach of 48 inches AFF over an object no deeper than 10 inches. If concern for children playing with this then lower to what is determined as the best possible height. | 2        |         | \$ 150.00      |                |              |
|  | There are two counters provided but both are too high at 35 inches and 38 inches. | ADAAG 904.3.3 | Provide one of the counters with a section of counter that is 28 inches to 34 inches AFF and is at least 24 inches long in alterations. In new construction at least one full counter should meet this height.   | 2        |         | \$ 645.00      |                |              |

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|--|--|---------------------------------|--|----------|---------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
|   | No accessible route is provided to the picnic shelter and grill for 65 feet.                                   | ADAAG 403                       | Provide a new accessible route with a running slope no steeper than 5% and a cross slope no steeper than 2% and a minimum clear width of 36 inches.                      | 2        |         | \$ 2,275.00    |                |              |
|  | The grill by the picnic shelter is located in the grass. Connect this to the new accessible route noted above. | <u>Proposed</u><br>ADAAG 1011.1 | <b>Grill Clear Floor Space Recommendation:</b> Provide a 48 inches by 48 inches clear ground space on all usable side of the grill and connected to an accessible route. | 2        |         | \$ 250.00      |                |              |

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|   | Two picnic tables are provided that are 37 feet long each.         | <b>Proposed</b><br>Outdoor Developed Areas Guidelines<br>ADAAG 245 & 1011 | <b>Picnic Table Recommendation:</b> Provide picnic tables that have a clear floor space of 30 inches minimum by 48 inches minimum, a table top between 28 inches minimum of 34 inches maximum and a minimum 27 inches knee clearance. The knee clearance should go 17 inches to 25 inches under the top. For these large of a picnic table it would require 3 accessible cut-out areas at each table for a total of 6 accessible area. | <b>2</b> |         | \$ 1,500.00    |                |              |
|  | For the young children ball fields there is no accessible parking. | ADAAG 502.2   | Provide a van accessible parking space that is a minimum of 11 feet wide with an access aisle a minimum of 5 feet wide. Also provide a "Van Accessible" sign mounted under the International Symbol of Accessibility Sign. <b>Option:</b> A van accessible space can be 8 feet wide if the access aisle is a minimum of 8 feet wide.   | <b>1</b> |         | \$ 1,175.00    |                |              |



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|      | For the young children ball fields there is no accessible route for 103 feet.                 | ADAAG 403   | Provide a new accessible route with a running slope no steeper than 5% and a cross slope no steeper than 2% and a minimum clear width of 36 inches.  | 2        |         | \$ 3,600.00        |                |              |
|     | A portable toilet is provided but is not of an accessible design or on an accessible surface. | ADAAG 213.2 | For portable toilets, provide at least 5% but no less than one be of an accessible portable toilet design on an accessible route and designed with the International Symbol of Accessibility. When the company delivers a portable toilet make sure they locate them on an accessible route. | 3        |         | N/A                |                |              |
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III. **Lot C: East Bennett Park, Events**



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ADA Parking Spaces Required: **3 spaces**





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## APPENDIX I

### ADOPTION DOCUMENTATION





## Hamburg Township Parks & Recreation

**Hamburg Township Offices**  
**10405 Merrill Rd., P.O. Box 157**  
**Hamburg, MI 48139**  
**(810)231-1000**  
**[www.hamburg.mi.us](http://www.hamburg.mi.us)**

November 17, 2022

To: Parks & Recreation Committee

From: Deby Henneman, Township Coordinator

Re: Parks & Recreation Report

The Township Board approved the Parks and Recreation Master Plan draft for distribution and public review at their November 15, 2022 meeting. The review period is November 16, 2022 through December 16, 2022 and comments and suggested edits can be dropped off, emailed, or relayed via phone/in person. Hard copies of the draft plan are available at Township Hall, the Senior Community Center, and Library, and digital copies can be found on our website. Once the review period is complete in December, a final draft will be recommended by the Parks & Recreation Committee at a special meeting on December 20, 2022 – 3:00 p.m., and presented to the Township Board at a Public Hearing January 3, 2023, for adoption. Deadline to MDNR is 2/1/23. Follow this link to see a copy of the plan:

[https://www.hamburg.mi.us/departments/parks\\_and\\_recreation/index.php](https://www.hamburg.mi.us/departments/parks_and_recreation/index.php)

We have sold another Commemorative bench to be placed at location 6W. I have created a map of suggested locations along the trail where benches could be placed, and have included a copy on the program page on our website. Information for this project can be viewed at:

[https://www.hamburg.mi.us/departments/parks\\_and\\_recreation/commemorative\\_bench\\_tree\\_garden\\_program.php](https://www.hamburg.mi.us/departments/parks_and_recreation/commemorative_bench_tree_garden_program.php).

I have been fielding comments on a recent Facebook post regarding the East Park playground renovation regarding accessibility. The surfacing was questioned, and when it was explained we were using engineered wood fiber, it was stated that it was difficult for children who had mobility devices to traverse over the chips. I bring this up because we will still have another playground to upgrade in West Park, whether or not we receive the grant funding, and I would recommend considering either partial or full accessible surfaces, such as a poured in place product. I will say that the budget for East Park of \$165,000 while substantial, would have needed to be increased in my estimation another \$100,000 in order to provide a solid surface for that project. You can find the post here: <https://www.facebook.com/HamburgParksAndRecreation/posts/pfbid02R1b48hadSmtPiDqxw45p4sX5T8CTgqwgTpCCDHRvrRELjNnX7QHehoivNk25YuZ6l>.

Also, in addition to the Expression swing which allows for someone to “ride with” a child in a bucket seat, I have checked into the possibility of installing a swing seat in lieu of one of the two single bucket seats we have coming. The vendor happened to have a green one in stock which

would fit in with the colors that were picked out by the clerk staff, and even better, they are donating it, so we just need to purchase chains! I have included a picture of a sample swing in the packet along with the renderings of the chosen color scheme. We will still take delivery of two bucket seats, and will have one in reserve for future use by our Building & Grounds staff.

**Projects I'm working on next:**

- Gathering comments and finalizing Master Plan with Spicer Group
- Updating ADA Transition Plan for attachment to the Parks Master Plan
- Create Counter "Cheat Sheets" for all Township Coordinator functions ie:
  - Parks
  - ADA
  - Grants
  - Ordinance
- Streamline process/procedure for Park & Senior Use invoices & donations with Treasury
- Merge/streamline all approved procedures into the Parks Policy and Procedure Manual
- Create Internal Policy & Procedure for Zoning & General Ordinance updates
- Organize and Scan all Park & Recreation archive files into Docuware System

**Holiday Schedule:**

Closed November 24 & 25, 2022 for Thanksgiving.

Closed December 23 & 26, 2022 for Christmas

Closed December 30, 2022 & January 2, 2023 for New Year

**Facebook Links:**

Parks & Recreation: <https://www.facebook.com/HamburgParksAndRecreation>

Lakelands Trail: <https://www.facebook.com/LakelandsTrailHamburgMI>

Winkelhaus Park: <https://www.facebook.com/WinkelhausPark>

Senior Center: <https://www.facebook.com/hamburgseniorcenter>

November 16, 2022

To: Parks and Recreation Committee  
From: Julie Eddings, Senior Program Director  
Re: Senior Center Director's Report

**October Statistics:**

- Monthly Attendance: 2323
- Daily Average: 98
- Transportation Monthly Rides: 369
- Number of New Members: 41

**Upcoming Closures:**

- Friday, November 18, 2022-Holiday Bazaar Set Up
- Thursday and Friday, November 24-25, 2022-Thanksgiving Holiday
- Monday, December 5 at 12 pm for Kiwanis Christmas Party Set Up
- Friday, December 23 and Monday, December 26 for Christmas Holiday
- Friday, December 30 and Monday, January 2 for New Year's Holiday

**Upcoming Programming:**

- Kiwanis Christmas Lunch-December 6
- December Birthday Lunch-December 7
- Senior Center Bus Trip to Frankenmuth-December 9
- Senior Center Bus Trip to Randall Residence-December 14
- Christmas Craft-December 15
- Christmas Karaoke Party-December 16
- Brookdale Christmas Craft-December 21
- December Lunch Bunch-December 28

**Other Information:**

- The Annual Bazaar Fundraiser will be held on Saturday, November 19 from 9 am to 2 pm.
- The Senior Center purchased and received round rolling dining tables.
- The Senior Center is in the process of purchasing portable room dividers to accommodate more programming.

**Every Child Shall Play Scholarship Fund (Prior McNulty Scholarship) - GL 208-278-500**

**Starting Balance: \$3,000 on July 1, 2015 (Funds from McNulty transferred over 15/16 FY)**

Funds Dispersed through Scholarship process:

| Date of Issue      | Club/Donor             | Req #         | Starting Balance | Check Amount  | Ending Balance | FY    |
|--------------------|------------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| March 14, 2006     | Hamburg Flyers         | 1             | \$ 2,950.00      | \$ 207.10     | \$ 2,742.90    |       |
| November 24, 2008  | PHBSA (Baseball)       | 3             | \$ 2,742.90      | \$ 412.50     | \$ 2,330.40    |       |
| November 8, 2011   | HPYFA (Football)       | 4             | \$ 2,330.40      | \$ 400.00     | \$ 1,930.40    | 11/12 |
| March 27, 2012     | PBSC (Soccer)          | 1             | \$ 1,930.40      | \$ 150.00     | \$ 1,780.40    | 11/12 |
| November 21, 2012  | HPYFA (Football)       | 3             | \$ 1,780.40      | \$ 300.00     | \$ 1,480.40    | 12/13 |
| December 18, 2013  | HPYFA (Football)       | 2             | \$ 1,480.40      | \$ 200.00     | \$ 1,280.40    | 13/14 |
| February 18, 2014  | HPYFA (Football)       | 4             | \$ 1,280.40      | \$ 300.00     | \$ 980.40      | 13/14 |
| February 18, 2015  | HPYFA (Football)       | 1             | \$ 980.40        | \$ 100.00     | \$ 880.40      | 14/15 |
| March 27, 2015     | Koeble                 | Donation      | \$ 880.40        | \$ (1,000.00) | \$ 1,880.40    | 14/15 |
| June 30, 2015      | Hamburg Twp            | FY Adjustment | \$ 1,880.40      | \$ (1,119.60) | \$ 3,000.00    | 15/16 |
| September 11, 2015 | HPYFA (Football)       | Donation      | \$ 3,000.00      | \$ (1,000.00) | \$ 4,000.00    | 15/16 |
| December 16, 2015  | HPYFA (Football)       | 4             | \$ 4,000.00      | \$ 350.00     | \$ 3,650.00    | 15/16 |
| Pending            | PHBSA (Baseball)       | 5             | \$ 3,650.00      | \$ 242.50     | \$ 3,407.50    | 16/17 |
| August 1, 2016     | Pinckney Blues         | Donation      | \$ 3,407.50      | \$ (1,250.00) | \$ 4,657.50    | 16/17 |
| October 4, 2021    | East Michigan Panthers | 2             | \$ 4,657.50      | \$ (300.00)   | \$ 4,357.50    | 21/22 |
| May 3, 2022        | East Michigan Panthers | 5             | \$ 4,357.50      | \$ (500.00)   | \$ 3,857.50    | 21/22 |
| November 2, 2022   | East Michigan Panthers | 3             | \$ 3,857.50      | \$ (450.00)   | \$ 3,407.50    | 22/23 |

|                                  |             |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Total Fund Balance as of 11/2022 | \$ 3,407.50 |
|----------------------------------|-------------|

***The Hamburg Township "Every Child Shall Play" Scholarship Fund will be maintained at the Board's discretion effective with the 2015/2016 Fiscal Year with each subsequent Fiscal Year maintaing a starting fund balance of no less than \$3,000 in a process described in 4.0 of the Policy & Procedure for Scholarship***





WHERE **SUMMER** BEGINS

November 8, 2022

Hamburg Township Board of Trustees  
P O Box 157  
Hamburg, MI 48139

Members of the Board:

The current H.E.R.O. Land/Facility Use License Agreement to host the annual Hamburg Family Fun Fest expires after the 2023 17<sup>th</sup> annual event. As HERO is in the process of negotiating some of our long-term contracts, we are hereby requesting an extension of our park use agreement for another three years (2024, 2025, and 2026). The current contract is attached along with the minutes from the March 15, 2022 Township Board meeting extending the agreement through 2023.

Thank you for your support and consideration.

Sincerely,

Joanna G Hardesty, President

H.E.R.O.

(810) 626-3035

**LAND/FACILITY USE LICENSE AGREEMENT  
H.E.R.O. / HAMBURG FUN FEST**

THIS AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is entered into by and between Hamburg Township, a Michigan municipal corporation, whose address is 10405 Merrill Road, Hamburg, MI 48139, and (hereinafter the "Township"), and the Hamburg Enhanced Recreation Organization (H.E.R.O.), a Michigan nonprofit corporation, whose address is PO Box 548, Hamburg, MI 48139, (hereinafter "Licensee") for the purposes of use of the Township's Property as described below and as further identified on attached Exhibit A (the "East Park") and Exhibit B (the "West Park"), the "Property" or the "Premises."

This License is for three (3) consecutive years (also referred to as event years), 2020, 2021 and, 2022, for dates outlined in the Park Use Application and Release of Liability as submitted by the Licensee. The dates of use of the East Park and West Park are limited to those listed in the Park Use Application and Release of Liability, and shall permit, activities, generally, as set forth in the attached and incorporated as Exhibit C (the "Fun Fest Park Use Application and Release of Liability"). The purpose of the use is for the Hamburg Fun Fest, a festival/carnival function sponsored and operated by Licensee.

Township desires to grant a license for the use of the Premises to the Licensee, and Licensee desires to secure a license to use the Premises, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement. The Township grants to and Licensee accepts from the Township the right and privilege to use the premises in the manner set forth below:

1. Licensee shall ~~contribute to~~ <sup>pay</sup> for all overtime Public Safety costs for Police and Fire personnel required for the fireworks shows on Friday and Saturday nights (up to 4 hours each night) charged each event year. The costs shall be calculated upon completion of the event, at a cost not to exceed \$5,000 per event year, and the Licensee shall be sent an invoice outlining those costs for payment within thirty (30) days of receipt of the invoice.
2. Licensee shall pay the Township \$2,500 each year of the agreement for the initial land balancing investment and seeding costs, which took place in 2017, each event year until 50% of the original cost of \$34,710 has been reimbursed. In order to protect this community investment, the Township will maintain the area throughout the year and re-seed annually, as needed.
3. Licensee agrees to repair damage that the festival may cause to the grounds other than land balancing and seeding. Licensee agrees to submit a \$2,000 damage bond to Hamburg Township to be held until repairs are completed.
4. No park use fees will be assessed to Licensee in excess of those outlined in items #1, 2 and 3 above.
5. Licensee has inspected the Premises with the Township and accepts the same in its existing condition. Annual pre-inspections and post-event inspections will be conducted each year with the Licensee.

6. The Premises shall be used for the purpose stated in the H.E.R.O. Park Use Application & Release of Liability (Exhibit C) for the Hamburg Fun Fest for the location, and for the time periods defined (also known as Blackout Dates), no other use is allowed. The Licensee agrees to comply with all terms and conditions set forth in Exhibit C and this Agreement and all other rules and regulations as have been and may be established by the Township relating to the use of the Premises.
7. No alterations or additions shall be made to the premises without the prior written consent of the Township. The Licensee shall furnish and install at its expense any and all additional equipment or fixtures as may be necessary for its intended use as approved by the Township Board. At the conclusion of its use, Licensee shall forthwith remove any and all such fixtures and equipment at its own expense, unless the Licensee desires to donate the fixtures and/or equipment and they are determined to be of benefit to the community and the requirement of their removal is waived in a motion by the Township Board. Such approved fixtures shall be considered in-kind donations.
8. The Licensee, at its expense, shall leave the premises clean and free of all trash and litter associated with the festival/carnival and is responsible for any damage to Township Property, in areas of use as outlined in the Park Use Application and Release of Liability, which occurs during the set-up, hosting or tear-down of event.

The Licensee shall not charge admission or fee to the public over and above what is outlined in the H.E.R.O. / Hamburg Fun Fest Park Use & Release of Liability Application (Exhibit C) without the prior written consent of the Township. Fees associated with festival/carnival operations or to cover the costs associated with festival/carnival activities are included.

9. Persons engaged by the Licensee to provide labor and service shall not be deemed or considered employees, agents or independent contractors of the Township. All third-party vendors must provide proof of General Liability & Worker's Compensation, and are required to include Hamburg Township as Additional Insured. All vendors are subject to inspection by the Hamburg Township Fire Department.
10. The Licensee shall maintain insurance for bodily injury, death, workers compensation and property damage resulting from the Licensee's use of the premises, in accordance with the Township's Park Use Policy, with minimum limits of liability in the amount of \$1,000,000 per occurrence or in other such amounts as may be established by Township Park Use Policy, which may be amended from time to time. The policies shall be endorsed to name the Township as an additional insured on any such policy, and shall provide the Township with thirty (30) days prior notice of cancellation or material change in the policy. Licensee shall provide Township with written verification of any such insurance coverage prior to its use of the premises.



11. Licensee shall hold the Township, its agents, officers, employees, contractors and board members harmless from and shall defend and indemnify them from and against any and all liability for injuries to, or death of persons or damage to property arising from the activities of the licensee, its agents, officers, employees, contractors or assigns in connection with this License Agreement.
12. Upon any breach of this agreement by Licensee, Township may terminate this Agreement if the breach or default under is not cured within ten (10) days' after written notice to Licensee. In such event any rights or privileges of Licensee resulting from this Agreement shall be terminated except that Licensee shall be responsible for the payment of all costs incurred by the Township through the date of termination in relation to the use of the Premises and the insurance policy, which shall remain in effect with respect to damages or injuries caused during the use of the Premises for the event. Licensee shall be responsible for removal of any and all property from the Property and for restoration.
13. Neither the Township nor the Licensee shall be held liable for payment of any fees, costs, or expenses to the other if the festival cannot be given due to an Act of God, including but not limited to acts or regulations of public authorities, labor difficulties, civil tumult, strike or pandemic or epidemic beyond the control of the Township or Licensee. "Act of God," includes but is not limited to the Covid-19 Pandemic and any and all orders, laws, and regulations arising out of or resulting from the spread of the Covid-19 Pandemic. "Act of God," shall not include typical summer weather events, including storms, rain or extreme temperatures. As a result of any Executive Order placing temporary restrictions on the use of places of public accommodation, and/or setting forth the temporary requirement to suspend activities that are not necessary to sustain or protect life, during the Covid-19 pandemic, and any extension or amendment of those Orders, Licensee hereby acknowledges that, in the event that the prohibitions in the Executive Orders or the orders or directives of other applicable public health agencies, or state or local governments, make it impossible to safely undertake the festival, the festival may be delayed, as determined to be necessary in the discretion of the Township or the Licensee. The Township shall not be responsible for any payments or costs relating to delay or cancellation of the festival, and Licensee shall be responsible for ensuring that all of its vendor contracts include similar provisions relating to cancellation in the event of an Act of God, including but not limited to, a pandemic. The festival schedule may be revised to reflect requirements of the applicable Order or social distancing recommendation. If performance dates are not available in the same season, both parties may agree to reschedule the festival to a future date or the next available season, as necessary.
14. This Agreement does not constitute approval of issues requiring a permit or approval by any other governmental entity.

#### General Conditions

15. Either party may terminate this Agreement with cause on sixty (60) days' notice. "Cause" shall mean a breach of or default under this Agreement that is not cured within ten (10) days' after notice.

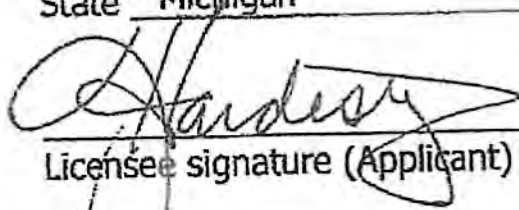


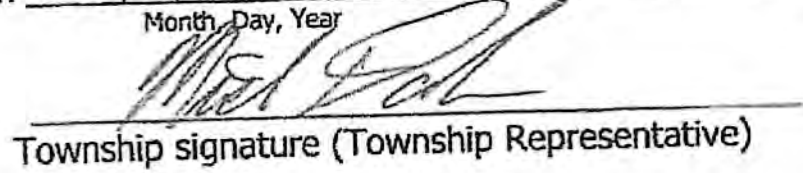
16. Any failure of either party to insist on strict performance of any provisions of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver of the provisions of the Agreement in any subsequent default.
17. This Agreement may not be amended, changed, modified, or discharged except in writing and signed by both parties.
18. All notices under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to be given when they are either delivered personally or mailed by certified or registered mail to the receiving party at the address stated in this Agreement or at an address furnished to the other party in writing during the term of this Agreement.
19. The captions and headings used in this Agreement are intended only for convenience and are not to be used in construing the Agreement.
20. This Agreement shall be construed under Michigan Law.
21. This Agreement is binding on successors and assigns, except that this Agreement may not be assigned without Township review and approval of a Park Use Application in accordance with the Township's Park Use Policy
22. If any provision of this Agreement is unenforceable, the other provisions of the Agreement shall remain valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.
23. This Agreement shall constitute the entire agreement between the parties. Any prior understanding or representation of any kind preceding the date of this Agreement shall not be binding upon either party except to the extent incorporated in this Agreement. This Agreement does not address and is not intended to affect in any way any permanent use of the Property by the Township at the expiration or termination of this Agreement.
24. The covenants and conditions contained in this Agreement shall apply to and bind the successor's legal representatives and assigns of the parties to this Agreement and all covenants are to be construed as conditions Licensee may not assign any right, privilege or license conferred by this Agreement.
25. The person signing this agreement on behalf of the Licensee is fully empowered by appropriate action if necessary, to execute this agreement on its behalf.

In witness whereof, the parties have executed this agreement at:

Township/City Hamburg Township County Livingston

State Michigan on 08/19/2020  
Month, Day, Year

  
Licensee signature (Applicant)

  
Township signature (Township Representative)

Licensee signature (Applicant) Township signature (Township Representative)

Licensee Print Name Joanna G Hardesty, President; Hamburg Enhanced Rec Org (H.E.R.O.)

Address P O Box 548

City Hamburg State Michigan

Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone Number: (810) 626-3035

Email: jghwade1@aol.com

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Supervisor Pat Hohl Clerk Mike Dolan Treasurer Jason Negri Trustees Bill Hahn, Patricia Hughes, Chuck Menzies, Cindy Michniewicz

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**HAMBURG TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, March 15, 2022  
7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order

Supervisor Hohl called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Pledge to the Flag

3. Roll Call of the Board

Present: Hohl, Dolan, Hughes, Michniewicz, Menzies, Negri  
Absent: Hahn

4. Call to the Public

A call was made with no response.

5. Approval of the Consent Agenda

**Motion by Menzies, supported by Negri, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.**  
**Voice Vote: AYES: 6, NAYS: 0, Absent: 1** **MOTION CARRIED**

6. Approval of the Agenda

**Motion by Dolan, second by Hughes, to approve the Agenda as presented.**  
**Voice Vote: AYES: 6, NAYS: 0, Absent: 1** **MOTION CARRIED**

7. Unfinished Business

**A. Parks & Recreation – HERO Agreement Request**

**Motion by Menzies, second by Negri, to reconsider the additional park use fee for the 22/23 event and grant a one-year extension to the original contract for the year that was lost without additional fees due to COVID-19.**  
**Voice Vote: AYES: 6, NAYS: 0, Absent: 1** **MOTION CARRIED**





Hamburg Township Manly Bennett Park  
Park Use Application

P.O. Box 157  
10405 Merrill Road  
Hamburg, Michigan 48139-0157  
(810) 231-1000 Office X-218  
(810) 231-4295 Fax

And Release of Liability & Indemnification Agreement

(Application must be submitted 60 days before requested use)

Applicant Information:

Event Sponsor (or name if family or individual use): Hamburg Enhanced Recreation Organization (H.E.R.O.)

Name of Event: Hamburg Family Fun Fest

Type of Event: Festival Park Use Category #: 2 - Qualified User

Applicant Name: H.E.R.O.

Date(s) of Event: 6/12-15/24; 6/11-14/25; 6/17-20/26 Time(s) of Event: 10 am - 12 midnight

Applicant Address: P O Box 548 Suite or Apt #: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant City: Hamburg State: MI Zip: 48139

Contact Person (present during use): Joanna Hardesty

Contact's Affiliation with Applicant: President

Contact's Phone: (810) 397-9058 Contact's E-Mail: jghwade1@aol.com

Event Co-applicant, if any: \_\_\_\_\_

All Co-applicants must also sign all applications and waivers.

Co-applicant relationship to Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Co-applicant's phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Information:

Insurance Carrier: West Bend Mutual

Certificate of Insurance must be provided by all applicants as outlined in Appendix B in the Park Facility Use Policy.

Policy #: NSL 1335562 Expiration Date: May 12 of each year

Limit of General Liability: 6,000,000 Occurrence \_\_\_\_\_ Aggregate \_\_\_\_\_

Umbrella Coverage Limit (if any): \_\_\_\_\_ Occurrence \_\_\_\_\_ Aggregate \_\_\_\_\_



**Event Description:** *(any information that doesn't pertain to your event please indicate not applicable)*

Please describe the event you propose to host: Annual community Hamburg Family Fun Fest that offers four (4)  
days of family entertainment including amusement rides, petting zoo, arts & crafts, classic car show, feature  
entertainment, stage entertainment, fireworks, laser light shows, and other activities.

Total Number of participants/spectators/guests anticipated during event: 10,000 - 30,000

Average of participants/spectators/guests anticipated at any given time: 2,000 - 5,000

Site of Proposed Event; include all areas of the parklands that will be used: East and West Park (see  
attached)

*Include site plan drawing reflecting all areas of the Township Park and recreational facilities the event will effect*

Will there be camping and trailer facilities? If so, are overnight stays anticipated: Yes (Liv Co Health Permit)

Number of Volunteers: 100 - 150 +/- Are Volunteers trained?: Yes  
*Please attach copy of Volunteer Handbook if applicable*

Will tents be used?: Yes If so, please indicate locations: East & West Park  
throughout the event area

*Under no circumstances are tent stakes to be driven into asphalt surfaces. Tent locations must be pre-approved.*

Will admission be charged? If so, how much: No

Parking fee charged? If so, how much: Yes (TBD) Valet service available?

Will Food/Beverages be served? If so, types of food and name of persons serving:

Yes. All food concessions are provided by Wade Shows, Inc. and are licensed and inspected by the

Livingston County Health Department.

*For anything other than pre-packaged foods, Concession Application, Health Department License and Products Liability coverage is required.*

Will there be Fireworks or any other pyrotechnic display? If so, describe: Yes. Fireworks are planned  
for Friday and Saturday nights of the scheduled festival weekend each year.

*Insurance requirements to be established during the event review process as stated in Appendix B of the Park Facility Use Policy.*

Will there be any animals present? If so, describe: Yes. A petting zoo and other animal attractions are  
included as part of the festival entertainment offered free of charge.

*Pets are not allowed in Parkland during events. Service Dogs are allowed with proper certification.*

Will there be Amusement rides or games? If so, describe: Yes. Wade Shows, Inc. will provide the  
amusement rides and game concessions.

*Insurance requirements to be established during the event review process as stated in Appendix B of the Park Facility Use Policy.*

Will there be a need for vehicles to be used on Township grounds? If so, describe: Yes. Volunteers, police, fire and event staffing will all be utilizing off-road vehicles during the event including golf carts.

*Personal vehicles require proof of Auto Liability based on the description of use and areas needing to be accessed during event.*

Will there be a need for Emergency Responders over and above what is included in the Public Safety Fee? If so, describe: Police & Fire services are required for fireworks nights.

*Hamburg Township reserves the right to require private security and/or emergency responders be present during any event.*

Specific services required from the Township, if any: N/A

Other information regarding your event that you feel may be helpful: This application is for the 18, 19, and 20th years of the Fun Fest.

### Organized Sports and/or Sporting Events:

Please indicate type of sports event: ☐ Regular Season (Games/Practices) ☐ Sports Tournament ☐ Other

If Tournament or other event, complete Event Description on Page 2 and provide additional details, if any:

### Release of Liability & Indemnification Agreement

*The approval of this park use request is contingent upon receipt of all requested information, review process of the Hamburg Township Parks & Recreation Committee, and approval of the Hamburg Township Board. The applicant may be required to provide additional information as is deemed necessary by the Parks & Recreation Committee and/or Township Board, and may be required to meet with the Parks Administrator and/or Parks Coordinator to supply additional information or to answer questions. If the Park Use Application is received less than 60 days prior to the requested event date, the Parks & recreation Committee and Township Board may process the application, however, the application fee may be increased in an amount to be determined by the Parks & Recreation Committee and/or the Township Board.*

The undersigned acknowledges that he/she/they are authorized to sign this application on behalf of the applicant and that he/she/they have received a copy of all documents relating to the use of the park and recreational facilities including the Hamburg Township Park Facility Use Policy Rules and Regulations.



In further consideration of entering into this agreement, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the Applicant agrees to defend, pay on behalf of, indemnify, and hold harmless Hamburg Township, its elected and appointed officials, employees and volunteers, and others working on behalf of Hamburg Township against any and all claims, demands, suits, or loss, including all costs connected therewith, and for any damages which may be asserted, claimed, or recovered against or from Hamburg Township, by reason of personal injury, including bodily injury or death and/or property damage, including loss of use thereof, which arises out of, or is in any way connected or associated with this contract.

The Applicant covenants and agrees that it will have a representative on the premises at all times to monitor the set-up, use and tear-down of the use and all activities related to thereto and under no circumstances shall the use of the park be granted or sublet to any other group or organization without the express written permission of the Hamburg Township Board of Trustees.

Any Applicant or group or entity co-hosting an event must provide a Certificate of Insurance naming Hamburg Township as an additional insured and proof of that coverage must be provided prior to the issuance of the permit for the event. The Applicant and/or co-host of any event must comply with all rules, regulations and policies of the Township pertaining to the said use and will be ultimately responsible for any and all damages to any Hamburg Township property resulting from the use, and shall otherwise restore the Township property to its previous condition.

**Personal Property Damage Claims:** The applicant hereby releases Hamburg Township, Its elected and appointed officials, employees and volunteers, and others working behalf of Hamburg Township, from any and all liability or responsibility to the applicant or anyone claiming through or under the applicant by way of subrogation or otherwise, for any loss or damage to applicant's property resulting from any incident, except damages resulting from the gross negligence of the Township, as it relates to the activities and uses contemplated by the application. It is understood by the applicant that all private property kept, stored or maintained in and on the Hamburg Township Park and recreational facilities shall be so kept, stored or maintained at the risk of the Applicant.

Initials: jh

**Public Health & Safety:** The applicant hereby swears and attests that they have complied with all aspects and intent, of Background Checks and that they are in compliance<sup>3</sup> with the Michigan Sports Concession Law, Acts 342 & 343, Public Acts of 2012, as referenced in the Park Facility Use Policy and outlined in Appendix A. The applicant understands that falsification of the above statement and/or failure to comply with these requirements may result in the suspension and/or revocation of the use of the Hamburg Township parkland facilities.

Initials: jh

Applicant's Signature:  Date: November 8, 2022

Co- applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parks Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**For office use only**

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting Approval Dates: \_\_\_\_\_ Parks & Recreation \_\_\_\_\_ Public Safety \_\_\_\_\_ Township Board

Application has been (Circle one)



Approved

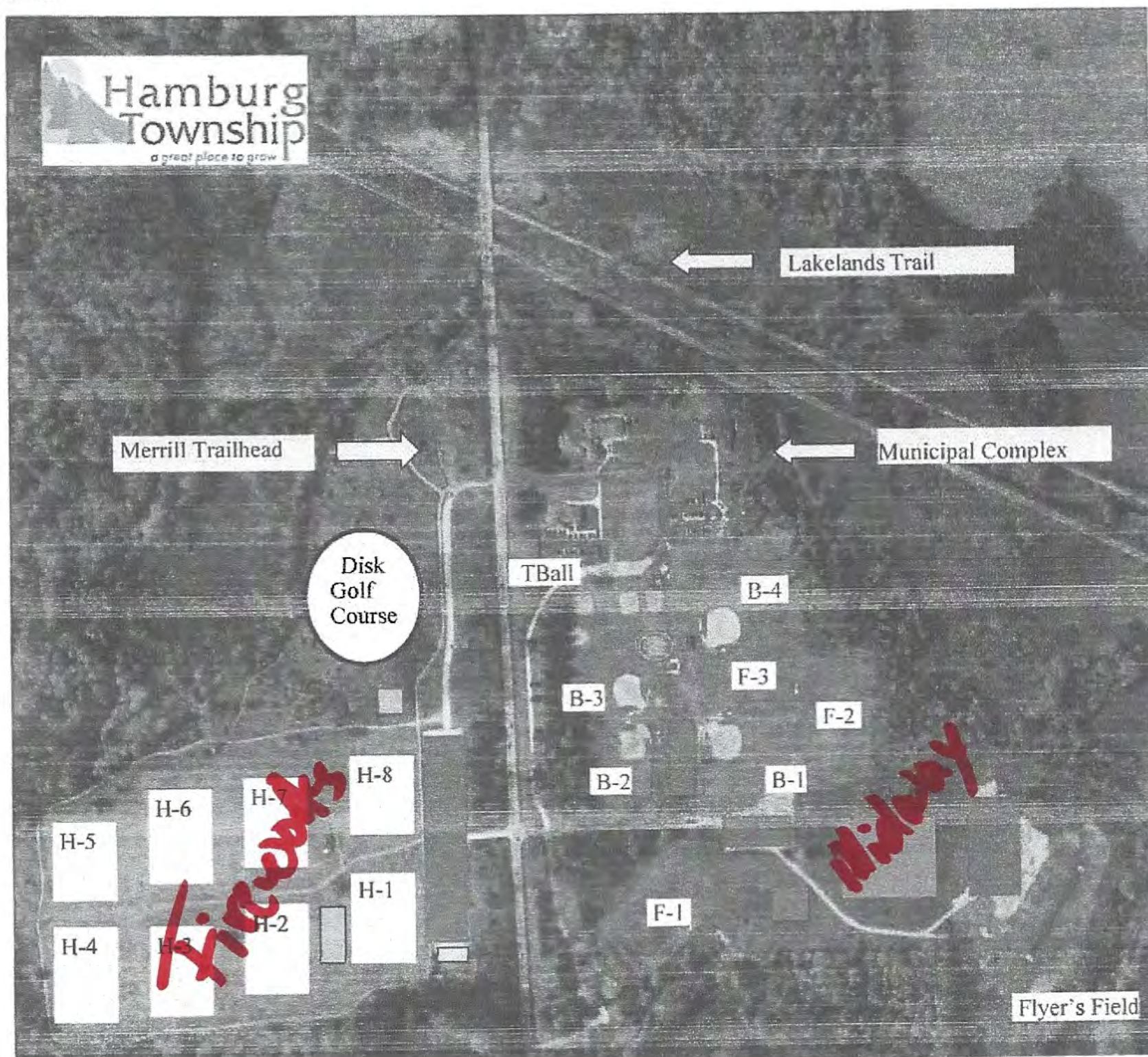


Denied

Hamburg Township Representative: \_\_\_\_\_



# Exhibit A & B



## Manly Bennett West Park Soccer Fields

- H-1/ 1- 11v11 (useable field 240' x 390')
- H-2/ 2- 8v8 (useable field 310' x 390')
- H-3/ 1- 8v8 (useable field 245' x 360')
- H-4/ 2- 6v6 (useable field 330' x 250')
- H-5/ 2- 6v6 (useable field 270' x 250')
- H-6/ 1- 11v11 (useable field 250' x 350')
- H-7/ 1- 8v8 & 1- 6v6 (useable field 250' x 350')
- H-8/ 1- 6v6 & 3 Youth fields (useable field 290' x 340')

- Parking Areas
- Best location for tent to avoid sprinkler system
- Best location for an event dumpster
- Adult Outdoor Workout Area

## Manly Bennett East Park Baseball, Football & RC Flyer Fields

- B-1/ Lg Ball Diamond
- B-2/ Med Ball Diamond
- B-3/ Med Ball Diamond
- B-4/ Med Ball Diamond
- T-B/ T-Ball Diamonds 6, 7, 8 & 9

- F-1/ Football Field with Goals
- F-2/ Football Practice field
- F-3/ Football Practice field

Flyer's Field/ Use limited to RC flight related activity and requires monitoring by Hamburg RC Flyers Club

- Parking Areas
- Large Event Area
- Sand Volleyball Court





# VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION

## June 15 - 18, 2022



What areas are you most interested in working?

- ☐ Floater
- ☐ Parking
- ☐ Grounds Crew
- ☐ Shuttle (must be at least 18)
- ☐ Gate

Indicate dates and preferred shift available to work each day. **NOTE:** Shifts are 4 hours. Please detail the times you're available and interested in working.

| Day                | Morn<br>8-12 | After<br>12-4 | Eve<br>4-8 | Night<br>8-12 |
|--------------------|--------------|---------------|------------|---------------|
| Pre-Event Sat 6/11 |              |               |            |               |
| Wed 6/15           |              |               |            |               |
| Thurs 6/16         |              |               |            |               |
| Fri 6/17           |              |               |            |               |
| Sat 6/18           |              |               |            |               |
| Clean up Sun 6/19  |              |               |            |               |

**\*\*Scheduling requests are filled on a first-come, first served basis. Consideration may be made for experience, availability, and specialized functions.**

## VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Tuesday, June 7<sup>th</sup>; 7:00 pm  
@ Hamburg Community Senior Ctr.  
10407 Merrill Road, Hamburg Twp.

### REGISTER ON-LINE

<https://hamburgfunfest.com/volunteers/>  
-OR-

Return completed form via email

[h.e.r.o.rec@aol.com](mailto:h.e.r.o.rec@aol.com) or mail to:

H.E.R.O. Volunteer

P.O. Box 548

Hamburg, MI 48139

Questions? Call (810) 626-3035

REFERRED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

### Applicant Information (Please print clearly)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Day ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Are there any duties (such as lifting) you have been advised not to do?**

Please circle one: Yes | No

If yes, what are your restrictions? \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Please list any/all allergies (including food)** \_\_\_\_\_

**3. In case of an emergency, who should we contact?**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**4. Occupation / Student / Retired:** \_\_\_\_\_

**5. T-Shirt Size (Circle One):** S M L XL XXL XXXL

**HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT:** In consideration of the Hamburg Enhanced Recreation Organization (H.E.R.O.) permitting participation in the 2022 Hamburg Family Fun Fest, the applicant hereby agrees to assume all loss, damage, risk and liability associated with participation. It is recognized and acknowledged that this includes, but is not limited to, personal injury and property damage incurred for any reason whatsoever. Applicant further agrees to release, hold harmless and indemnify the Township of Hamburg, their elected officials, officers, agents, and employees, H.E.R.O., any event sponsors, their elected officials, officers, agents and employees from any and all liability or responsibility whatsoever for injury (including death) to persons, and for any damage to any Township property, or the property of others, arising out of, or resulting from, participation in the Hamburg Fun Fest. H.E.R.O. has taken enhanced health and safety measures – for our vendors, guests, and volunteers. An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. By participating in the Hamburg Family Fun Fest, you voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19.

By signing below, I am voluntarily taking part in an activity in support of H.E.R.O. and the Hamburg Family Fun Fest. I hereby confirm that the information I have provided is true and may be verified.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

If under age 17, parent or guardian must sign.

Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



# **VOLUNTEER POLICIES & PROCEDURES**





# VOLUNTEER POLICIES & PROCEDURES MANUAL

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WHERE **SUMMER** BEGINS

*Volunteers don't necessarily have the time; they just have the heart – Author Unknown*

## **VOLUNTEER POLICY & PROCEDURE MANUAL**

### **1.0 Introduction**

Welcome to all Hamburg Family Fun Fest Volunteers and thank you for giving your time to help make this event one of the premier events of the summer in the surrounding Livingston County area. As volunteers, we are all partners to provide for smooth operations and a safe and secure community at the Bennett Park facility. Each volunteer represents the “face” of our organization (H.E.R.O.) and thereby is a H.E.R.O. ambassador. Volunteers are expected to be enthusiastic, friendly, helpful, and professional at all times. As volunteers we ask you to cultivate a positive attitude and personally invest in a “community spirit of cooperation” as we work together, connected in a common purpose to be recognized as the event of the year.

#### **1.1 Volunteer Training Mission Statement**

To provide skills, promote community awareness and empowerment, provide safety for all that participate, ensure protection for H.E.R.O., the park facilities and its surroundings, and foster a positive environment through necessary and effective risk management techniques.

#### **1.2 Volunteer Policy**

All Hamburg Family Fun Fest volunteers are subject to the policies, procedures and guidelines for their level of participation as outlined in this manual.

#### **1.3 Youth Volunteers**

Youth under the age of 17 must have parental/guardian permission signed on the Volunteer Registration Form. On a case-by-case basis, depending on the job, youth volunteers may be able to work a task without direct adult supervision. This will be determined based on interview, discussions, and other feedback.

#### **1.4 Release and Waiver of Liability**

All volunteers are required to sign a release and waiver of liability as prepared and provided by H.E.R.O.

### **2.0 Volunteer Categories and Description**

**2.1 Festival Director.** The Festival Director handles decisions affecting the broad scope of operations at the festival. This volunteer requires a great understanding of festival operations and strong commitment to the organization. This member works directly with other key volunteers to plan, implement, and evaluate the event.

**2.2 Operations Manager.** The Operations Manager oversees the on-site operations of the festival. The OM is the direct link to the Festival Director and is responsible for communications and coordination among the Area Supervisors. Skills in conflict resolution, problem solving, crisis intervention and management/leadership are necessary and conveyed to other volunteers.

**2.3 Area Supervisors.** Area Supervisors help to coordinate operations and assist the volunteers in their area. They also provide some planning help and advice prior to the festival and often arrive early to help with set-up. Area supervisors have communication radios.

**2.4 Floater.** Volunteers able to work in any position to fill in shifts as needed at any site.

**2.5 Security Volunteers.** These volunteers are the eyes and ears of the festival assistance and monitoring program. They help to patrol the festival grounds, especially during the nighttime hours. Security volunteers are radio-trained and wear security identification.

**2.6 Volunteer Ambassador.** The Volunteer Ambassador's sole responsibility is to monitor the needs of the volunteers. This includes tracking break times, addressing volunteers, issues, complaints, etc.

**2.7 Runners.** Volunteer runners are stationed in the Volunteer Command Center and are responsible for running errands according to need.

**2.8 Maintenance Crew.** Volunteers helping with general set-up, installations, removals, and cleaning after the event. These volunteers roam an assigned section of the Festival grounds, pick up trash on the grounds and remove full bags from trash cans, replacing them with fresh plastic liners. Heavy lifting and bending may be required.



**2.9 Gate Workers.** These volunteers are responsible for collecting the parking fee from patrons as they enter the park. They are required to follow the procedure for cash handling as described by the H.E.R.O. Treasurer.

**2.10 Parking Crew.** These volunteers direct traffic to the correct parking lots/areas, provide cars with a schedule of events, and answer questions.

All event VOLUNTEERS are designated by a safety green shirt when they are on duty. All Festival DIRECTORS are identified by wearing a safety orange shirt.

### **3.0 Training**

All volunteers must attend orientation and position-specific training. All will receive training related to emergency plans including emergency reporting procedures, equipment, evacuation routines, etc.

### **4.0 General Responsibilities and Requirements for all Volunteers**

As a volunteer, you can have a huge impact on the enjoyment of our guests and the success of the event. We are counting on you, so if you are unable to meet a commitment, please call the Volunteer Coordinator through the H.E.R.O. hotline at (810) 626-3035 as soon as possible so we can make appropriate arrangements.

All volunteers are required to report to the Information Center to sign in prior to beginning their shift. At this time confirmation of work stations and responsibilities will be reviewed. Volunteers **MUST** be in Festival uniform during their assigned shift. (DO NOT MAKE ANY ALTERATIONS TO YOUR UNIFORM.) Please note that a volunteer uniform does not give volunteers access to the amusement rides at no charge. **If you plan to stay at the Festival to enjoy the activities, you must change out of your uniform immediately after your shift.**

As a member of the Hamburg Family Fun Fest Team, all volunteers have the following general responsibilities:

- Understand specific job description and follow through with the job volunteered for. Be prompt and work the shift time committed.
- Understand general volunteer responsibilities – **See Appendix A & B**
- Read and follow the volunteer's code of conduct – **See Appendix B**
- Understand basic volunteer response protocols (chain of command) and response limitations – **See Appendix A-1**
- Understand and practice the basic guidelines and personal responsibilities recommended for all festival participants – **See Appendix A-2**
- Understand security and medical protocols – **See Appendix C & D**



- Communicate and listen with respect while assisting participants and treat them fairly and with dignity, expecting the same from the participants. Practice conflict avoidance techniques – **See Appendix E**
- Consult with fellow volunteers and seek out necessary assistance from coordinators or supervisors as needed.
- Report medical situations or other significant incidents to the Security Supervisors. Read and understand the incident reporting and grievance procedure – **See Appendix G**
- Read and understand the alcohol and smoking policy – **See Appendix H**

Volunteers do their jobs by following the general responsibilities listed above and working directly with their area supervisor for job training and direction. These volunteers are often the eyes and ears of the festival monitoring system, and, in addition, act to coordinate operations, communication and respond to emergent problems. They are often needed to problem solve, to recognize and evaluate potential and actual risk situations, and provide additional assistance to event attendees and area volunteers. Roles include monitoring of on-site activities and festival guideline compliance to assure the safety of all in attendance. In choosing to participate in any of these advanced volunteer categories, you will need to have additional skills that allow you to fulfill the job requirements. Training is important and will help you perform your task without confusion.

# APPENDIX A



## Basic Festival Guidelines & Volunteer Response

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### Basic Festival Guidelines & Volunteer Response

#### 1.0 Basic Volunteer Response Protocols

General volunteers will typically be focused on their job at one of the festival operation areas and receive guidance from their Area Supervisors. At times they may have the occasion to remind attendees of the basic festival guidelines or answer questions. In doing so, please do it in a manner that will have a positive impact. Before responding be sure you have a full understanding of the guidelines. Seek clarification regarding the guidelines as needed. If you are not comfortable in this role, defer to the Event Coordinator. In addition, common courtesy guidelines are distinct from serious rules & guideline infractions. These are further defined below. It is your responsibility to know the difference and respond accordingly. Serious violations of the guidelines, dangerous situations or medical emergencies warrant notification of the advanced-trained volunteers and security personnel. Know your limits, consult and seek assistance.

1.1 Volunteers are required to respond to a full range of questions and are trained to bring the appropriate response to particular situations. As a general volunteer, you will typically receive assistance directly from your Area Supervisor. We hope that you will handle as many questions and requests as you can; however, if you find yourself unable to answer a question, or in a difficult or potentially dangerous situation, you should seek consultation and/or help. Remember to use common sense and discretion when dealing with all situations. When in doubt, call for assistance.

1.2 Should any situation arise in which you determine you need assistance, follow this procedure:

- a. Consult with your Area Supervisor.
- b. If not working as a volunteer on shift, but come across a serious situation, we request that you help as any Good Samaritan would in a community:
  - Contact police, fire, security or festival director if you observe a medical emergency or dangerous situation – **Refer to Appendix F, Section 1 (Emergency Radio Procedures)**. Remain at the scene if possible and send for assistance or seek out someone with a radio.
  - While waiting, get names and any pertinent information, if practical and parties are cooperative.
  - Report a serious guideline infraction (see below) to the advanced volunteer team when convenient, but as soon as possible.
- c. Examples of dangerous or unsafe conditions include lost children/parents, threatening or abusive behaviors to others, risk of bodily injury to self and/or others, disorderly persons, minors in possession, property destruction, and fire hazards. These are examples of serious



incidents and should be reported to an advanced volunteer team member, who will either assist and/or contact the police for additional assistance.

- d. Be mindful of potential illegal, unlicensed, or unapproved vendors pedaling merchandise on Festival grounds. Report suspect vendors to security immediately.
- e. H.E.R.O. has adopted a policy prohibiting political campaigning, petition circulation/signature gathering at the Festival. If this activity is observed, report it immediately to the assigned supervisor.
- f. FIRST AID / MEDICAL Response: Encourage attendees to seek first-aid at the first-aid station in non-emergency situations, i.e. minor cuts, insect bites and common complaints as needed. In case of a medical emergency, summon the medical team via advanced volunteer team members. Conditions you may encounter at the festival include unresponsiveness (unconscious), allergic reactions, serious injuries (severe bleeding or trauma), and drug/alcohol overdose.
- g. DO NOT DO ANYTHING YOU ARE NOT TRAINED TO DO!
- h. Remember patient confidentiality and that adults can refuse treatment.

**See Appendix D for full Medical Protocol and Procedure**

## **2.0 Common Courtesy Guidelines and Basic Admission Requirements**

Many of the guidelines are just common courtesy. Volunteers are encouraged to simply remind community members to abide by them.

- Be respectful and considerate of all festival patrons, other tourists, area residents and the local community.
- Keep off all private property. When in doubt, stay out.
- Do not litter (including cigarette butts).
- NO ALCOHOL or controlled substances are permitted on festival grounds – possession or consumption. Persons engaging in disorderly behavior, drinking, public intoxication, illegal drug use, stealing, or any other illegal behavior risk removal from the Hamburg Family Fun Fest and possible arrest by a law enforcement agency.

# APPENDIX B



## Code of Conduct

## **APPENDIX B**

### **Code of Conduct**

#### **General Introduction**

When you agree to volunteer at the Hamburg Family Fun Fest, you are representing H.E.R.O. at all times during the event. This organization has established a Code of Conduct for all volunteers in order to maintain consistent and standard rules of behavior for participants in our volunteer program. Our volunteer liability policy protects volunteers so long as they are not engaging in willful or negligent misconduct.

#### **Code of Conduct**

1. Fellow volunteers and patrons are to be treated with courtesy at all times. Communicate and listen with respect while assisting participants and treat them with dignity, expecting the same from participants. Vulgar, demeaning, and sexually suggestive language will not be tolerated from Hamburg Family Fun Fest volunteers. Fighting or physical altercations of any type are grounds for immediate dismissal.
2. Security and Medical Personnel are to be called for any situation that has the potential for becoming violent, is unsafe, or a medical risk. They are trained to handle confrontations in a safe, professional manner.
3. Volunteers are expected to report for work early enough to ensure a smooth transition from one shift to another; to be trained and appraised of existing situations by others who are preparing to go off duty. If you cannot meet your shift responsibility, contact the volunteer booth or your Coordinator ASAP, so that a replacement may be found. Teenage children may accompany adults on shifts if the coordinators deem this not to adversely affect the volunteer's job responsibilities.
4. Volunteers are not allowed to be under the influence of intoxicants or operating under any other altered state of consciousness. This would impair their ability to work in a safe, efficient and polite manner. Persons judged unfit for duty, will be either temporarily or permanently dismissed by their coordinator or Directors. Coordinators, supervisors and all other staff are also accountable in this regard.
5. No unauthorized alterations to Bennett Park property, buildings, or vegetation are permitted. Prior consultation and approval by the site supervisor and/or festival director is required before any alterations are made by volunteers or coordinators.
6. Operators of equipment must have proper training and authorization. All equipment is to be operated in a safe, responsible manner. Damage to and breakage of equipment must be reported to the coordinator immediately.



7. Volunteers, coordinators, supervisors, etc. should be aware at all times that they are representatives of H.E.R.O. to the general public and should conduct themselves in a manner so as not to bring reproach, recrimination, disrespect, degradation, disrepute, misinformation or dissolution to the Festival or Festival staff.

8. While we certainly understand that our volunteers are spending their free time and are not compensated, we must require strict adherence to our policy and procedures manual as outlined. Failure to do so could result in dismissal as a volunteer from the Hamburg Family Fun Fest. Notification of dismissal would be given after a discussion with the volunteer; the Volunteer Coordinator and the Festival Director(s).

9. Grievance Procedure: H.E.R.O. has a grievance procedure in place for volunteers and all participants. Procedures and forms are available at the information booth. A formal written grievance is required in order for the Board to take action if the parties or coordinators are unable to resolve problems on their own. Any decision made by the Board is final.

# APPENDIX C



## Safety Protocols

## **APPENDIX C**

### **Safety Protocols & Policy**

**Security Volunteers** are the peacekeepers and the eyes and ears for the festival. They monitor and observe during the weekend and provide information to remedy minor issues as they arise. When interventions have proven unsuccessful, the Hamburg Township Police are then called in. The Security Volunteers will keep the Security Supervisors apprised of field situations and he/she will act to provide appropriate response and resources. The Supervisor will, in turn, inform and consult the Festival Directors in situations that are a very high risk or will result in police response to the site. He/she will apprise them of the situation and response plan. This procedure is intended to provide the Security Volunteers with the means to consult with the festival supervisory team as needed, but not to hamper efficient response to emergent problems. The police are patrolling the area and are typically able to respond quickly to an emergent situation.

**Documentation.** All incidents that are high risk **MUST** be documented. In the event of a serious situation that requires significant attention and response, an incident report needs to be completed by the Security Supervisor, so that we can document and evaluate our response, as well as keep track of potential trouble areas and individuals. Incident reports are to be filed with the Festival Director. **See Appendix G.**

**Intervention Protocols for Advanced Volunteers.** We hope that you will handle as many questions and problems as you can. However, if you find yourself in a situation which requires additional help, you should seek that help. There are typically other Area Supervisors, and Security personnel available to assist and they have the ability to make contact via radio the Operations Manager. If you are presented with a question, which you cannot answer, refer to a Security Supervisor, or send the person/people to the information booth. Remember to use common sense and discretion when dealing with all situations. We realize you are taking on a lot of responsibility by volunteering. When in doubt, call for assistance.

- A. Should any situation arise in which you need assistance:
  - 1. Contact the Security Supervisor
  - 2. Remain at the site until assistance arrives and gather as much information as possible.
  - 3. While waiting, get names, address, phone numbers and other pertinent information, if parties are cooperative.
  - 4. Do not endanger yourself.
- B. Call for assistance should any of the following occur:
  - 1. Medical emergencies, abuse, lost children/parents, threatening or physically abusive behaviors to others, risk of bodily injury/harm to self and/or others, minors in possession, property destruction,



and/or fire hazards. These are examples of serious incidents and require an immediate call to a Security Supervisor.

2. Area Coordinators or Security personnel are to be notified if any person is found in violation of festival rules and guidelines, such as trespassers, theft, possession of alcohol, etc.

**Chain of Command.** Follow the chain of command has been put in place to ensure the professional and efficient operation of the Hamburg Family Fun Fest. We expect it to be followed at all times.

**Evacuation Plan.** In the unlikely event that an evacuation of the site is required, all advanced volunteers will be required to assist with an orderly exit procedure. Event Coordinators, Security, and Security Supervisors will implement a site evacuation only after the Festival Directors have notified them to do so, by directing participants to the designated exit area either by vehicle or by foot. Depending on the nature of the event, a partial evacuation may be implemented in a particular section of the festival site. The most common event is likely a fire that originated from a vehicle or ground fire. Another possible situation that may occur is a wind emergency where there is a tornado or wind sheer affecting the site. A terrorist event or a riot is also remotely possible. Each of these events will require a coordinated response.

# APPENDIX D



## Medical Protocol

## **APPENDIX D**

### **Medical Protocol – Medical Incidents**

**(All medical emergencies require an incident report.)**

**1. Unresponsive or unconscious individual**

- a. Summon the medical team and/or security personnel.
- b. DO NOT move the person.
- c. Look for a medical alert tag or bracelet.
- d. Ask bystanders if they know this person and/or they know anything about them, or what might have happened. Document any information acquired.
- e. If this person should awake before medical help arrives, encourage them to stay and accept assistance. If the individual decides to leave the scene prior to assistance, follow, observe and continue to seek assistance.
- f. Assist the medical staff as directed.
- g. Control the scene.

**2. Behavioral Crisis.** Call Security Supervisors for any mental health crisis. Alcohol and substance abuse can result in behaviors that mimic mental illness. Bizarre behaviors that are potentially injurious to self or others require intervention. Suggested Response:

- a. Remain calm; your calmness will call them down. Assure that they are safe and help is available.
- b. Contact the Security Supervisor immediately.
- c. Encourage the person in crisis to sit down and breathe very slowly until they calm down, if he/she is too upset to talk.
- d. Report / document the incident if the person chooses not to seek help.
- e. Listen to the person in crisis; never minimize events/feelings or tell them that they probably imagined the problem.
- f. Encourage the person to leave any dangerous or violent situation.



- g. Touching of a person in crisis can be traumatic. Avoid touching.
- h. A female victim may not be comfortable receiving help from a male volunteer, or vice-versa.

**3. PATIENT CONFIDENTIALITY.** Medical information is confidential and is also considered legally privileged. DO NOT pass along information to people that do not have a legitimate need to know. An adult is allowed to refuse treatment from the Hamburg Family Fun Fest personnel. If anyone refuses treatment, that is their choice. Document their refusal. Volunteers must attempt to contact parents in situations involving minors under 18.

# APPENDIX E



## Conflict Avoidance

## **APPENDIX E**

### **Conflict Avoidance & Intervention Techniques**

#### **1. Techniques for Assisting in Managing Conflict**

- a. Call for back-up.
- b. Always assume a person will be cooperative.
- c. Be calm, respectful, polite and speak in a relaxed voice.
- d. Remember, if you are aggressive, the other person may become defensive.
- e. NEVER FORCE OR THREATEN.
- f. Physical intervention is not an option.
- g. Stay with one issue at a time.
- h. Work out problems as they occur instead of saving them for a giant explosion of temper later.
- i. Remember that you and the other person have the right to think and/or feel. That doesn't mean you have to act upon it.
- j. Try to find a solution that is acceptable to both parties.
- k. Give yourself and the other person a chance to "blow off" steam before you try to solve the issue.
- l. Treat each other with respect and honesty.
- m. Don't get into a win-or-lose situation.
- n. Remain at a safe distance.

#### **2. De-escalating Behaviors of Potentially Violent Persons**

- a. Verbal communication/persuasion (only 10-15% of any message is communicated verbally). Body language and stance are important.
- b. Appeal to reason. Thinking, rational approaches such as problem solving, or re-framing the problem or conflict.



- c. Appeal to consequences. Pointing out the end results of intended behavior, attempt to structure in positive perspective, i.e. how not doing something or stopping a behavior will benefit them and demonstrate their cooperativeness, etc.

### **3. General Tips on Verbal Intervention**

- a. Listen, do not interrupt, and do not make threats.
- b. Remain calm, avoid over-reactions.
- c. Remove any onlookers from the situation as soon as possible.
- d. Be prepared to enforce rules and impose limits.

# APPENDIX F



## Radio & Vehicle Protocols

## **APPENDIX F**

### **Radio and Vehicle Protocols Training**

**Event Coordinators, Security Volunteers, and Security Supervisors, will be equipped with VHS radios. All volunteers are encouraged to carry personal cell phones in the event that an emergency arises. Cell phone numbers of the Festival Directors will be provided for use in emergency situations.**

#### **1. Radio Usage in EMERGENCY SITUATIONS**

- a. **IN THE CASE OF AN EMERGENCY** – declare over the radio while pushing and holding the talk button “EMERGENCY, EMERGENCY” then release the button and wait 10 seconds for a response. Repeat if necessary. All radio traffic is to cease when an emergency is declared. The only responders to a call for emergency will be head of security, police, fire, or festival director(s). All other personnel refrain from a response.
- b. After declaring an emergency, the appropriate personnel will respond requesting you to declare your emergency.
- c. The volunteer declaring the emergency will give the nature of the emergency followed by what ZONE, EVENT, and/or GENERAL LOCATION of the emergency.
- d. The Responder (police, fire, security, or festival director(s)) will give general instructions on how to proceed. Do exactly as instructed and trained.
- e. Remain at the scene, if possible. While waiting, get names and any pertinent information, if practical and parties are cooperative.
- f. Do not put yourself in harm’s way. DO NOTHING YOU ARE NOT TRAINED TO DO.

#### **2. General Radio Use**

- a. Think about what you want to say before you talk.
- b. Speak clearly and concisely.
- c. Can others hear you?



- d. Use the radio for Hamburg Family Fun Fest related business only.
- e. Push the button and hold while speaking.
- f. Release the button to listen.
- g. Always remember that others are monitoring these radios. Maintain discretion and use proper language.
- h. Say the name of whomever you wish to speak to, and your name.

## **2. Vehicle Usage**

Your responsibilities may also require the use of a motorized cart prior to or during the course of the event. These vehicles, as well as the radios, are an integral part of an effective response. They can also present potential dangers to self and others. All persons issued a cart will be instructed in safe operation, and specified usage. All golf carts are on loan and are expected to be properly and appropriately used. Report all cart malfunctions and problems to the information center (concession building north of the playground).

- a. Carts are to be used only for Festival business and are the responsibility of the assigned Event Coordinator.
- b. Only trained and authorized volunteers are permitted to operate site vehicles.
- c. Carts are returned to the storage area at the end of the day and checked out the following day unless otherwise approved by the Festival Supervisory Team.
- d. Carts should not be left unattended; always remove key from the cart when not in use.
- e. Re-charging of electric carts is to be done by trained persons only
- f. Always use caution when driving carts, drive slowly and remember there are children and inattentive adults out there.
- g. Avoid uneven ground and mud holes.
- h. Drive at speeds that are acceptable; high speeds result in accidents.

- i. Should someone with mobility issues require transportation, call the Event Coordinator for further instructions. An on-site shuttle system is being planned.
- j. Do not overload the cart. It is only designed for reasonable loads. Overloading a cart is dangerous and will cause injury to self and others.
- k. Always use headlights or flashlights during night-time hours.

# APPENDIX G



## Incident Report / Grievance Procedure



## **APPENDIX G**

### **Incident Report / Grievance Procedure**

#### **1. Incident Report**

An incident report form is attached to the training manual or readily available from the Command Center/Information Booth. All serious situations and those that require significant intervention of coordinators and advanced staff should be documented.

DO NOT make statements regarding the cause of the incident. Give no opinions or conjectures to anyone. DO NOT ADMIT LIABILITY. Use only the acceptable statement: "The incident is under investigation. We are doing everything we can at this time. We will let you know when more information becomes available."

**Witnesses:** Secure names, addresses and phone numbers (home, work, mobile) of witnesses as soon as possible after the incident.

**Photos:** Take photographs of the scene, if applicable, as soon as possible.

#### **FOLLOW THE ESTABLISHED PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING AN EMERGENCY.**

- Only the designated, qualified, H.E.R.O. DIRECTOR will make ALL private, public, and media statements. Alert all volunteers involved that only the designated person shall respond to all inquiries for information.

#### **2. Grievance Procedures**

Persons who have an issue about the Festival rules or behavior of volunteers can file a grievance form, which is available at the Command Center.



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## GRIEVANCE FORM

*This form is to be used by persons having issue with the Hamburg Family Fun Fest rules or behavior of a volunteer(s).*

Name of Grievant: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Grievance Filed Against: \_\_\_\_\_

Nature of Grievance: \_\_\_\_\_

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Proposed Resolution: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Grievant: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Use Only:

Date Report Received: \_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_



# APPENDIX H



## Alcohol Enforcement Plan

## **APPENDIX H**

### **Alcohol Enforcement Plan**

The goal of the alcohol enforcement plan is to provide a Festival with a safe and family-friendly atmosphere. It is the intent of the plan to restrict alcohol in all areas of the park facility during the 4-day event.

#### **1. Alcohol Possession at the Festival**

Persons found to be in possession of alcoholic beverages will be asked to dispose of it on the spot or escorted to their vehicle by Security Volunteers to secure the alcohol off the grounds where the activities are taking place. Minor in Possession offenses will be handled by the Hamburg Township Police Department. Other volunteers are encouraged to monitor and observe for adherence as well as appropriate and responsible behavior. Behavior that is so egregious as to create problems and safety risks will be responded to by the Hamburg Township Police Department.

#### **2. Public Drunkenness**

Public drunkenness and disorderly conduct will result in expulsion from the Festival as determined by the Security Supervisors, Hamburg Township Police Department or Festival Directors.

# APPENDIX I



## Public Demonstrations Policy



## **APPENDIX I**

### **Public Demonstrations Policy**

#### **Policy: USE OF HAMBURG FAMILY FUN FEST OUTDOOR PREMISES; PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS**

**Adopted: May 31, 2012**

Manly Bennett Park – East & West, is deemed to be under the direction and management of H.E.R.O. during the time period in which the Hamburg Family Fun Fest is held through the approved park use permit issued by Hamburg Township. H.E.R.O. through the authority granted by Hamburg Township Board of Trustees and by way of adoption of this policy, regulates the use of the premises.

#### **General Information and Background**

The H.E.R.O. Board of Directors have used the following guidelines, based upon constitutional principles, in developing and approving this Policy. These guidelines are taken from state and local statutes, constitutional standards under the First and Fourteenth Amendments, due process and equal treatment under the law.

#### **Public Demonstrations**

Individuals/groups may demonstrate, picket, hand out informational literature, or seek signatures for petitions outside the Fun Fest grounds (in a designated area) provided they are quiet, orderly and do not block entrances, walking paths, parking places, or otherwise interfere with free access to or use or operation of the festival premises; and provided they do not disturb or harass those entering or leaving the festival, or insistently attempt to engage them in conversation.

The presence of demonstrator(s) does not constitute an endorsement by H.E.R.O. of the opinions or points of view expressed or espoused by the demonstrator(s).

Any person or group who violate these rules and regulations will be asked by a H.E.R.O. representative to leave the premises. H.E.R.O. representative(s) may seek assistance from the appropriate agencies.

# APPENDIX J



## Political Campaigning Policy

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### Political Campaigning Policy

**Adopted: February 27, 2006**

As part of its overall purpose of providing family oriented activities for the community at large, the Hamburg Enhanced Recreation Organization (H.E.R.O.) is a non-profit organization committed to a policy of complete neutrality as to any political candidates, events or campaigns. (Reference: IRS 501(c)(3) Rules of Operation – “A 501(c)(3) operation must absolutely refrain from participating in the political campaigns of candidates for local, state or federal office.”)

During the course of presenting community oriented events financed through community donations and made possible by volunteer efforts of the local citizens, it is anticipated H.E.R.O. will be requested by various political groups or their representatives to utilize these events for political purposes. In order to maintain the political neutrality of all of the activities of H.E.R.O. and fulfill IRS requirements the following policies are hereby adopted regarding political campaigns, events or activities:

1. No political group or candidate may use an event sponsored by H.E.R.O. or a facility owned, operated, or controlled by H.E.R.O. for political or campaign purposes for any political ideology or goal. Political candidates, groups, or their representatives may not utilize such facilities to distribute any campaign information regarding any particular candidate, political issue or political agenda. H.E.R.O. will not condone, approve or allow any such political solicitations.
2. Political posters, signs and advertisements will not be allowed by H.E.R.O. during any of its activities or on any properties owned, operated or utilized by H.E.R.O. in any of its activities.
3. H.E.R.O. will not endorse any political party, event, or activity of any kind or nature and will do all that it can to discourage any person or group from associating with H.E.R.O. in such a way as to suggest H.E.R.O. supports any of such activities.
4. H.E.R.O. reserves the right to remove any groups, persons or their representatives from any of its events or the premises upon which the events are conducted for failure to comply with these policies.



# APPENDIX K



## COVID Mediation Plan

## **APPENDIX K**

### **COVID Mediation Plan**

#### **Venue**

- All MDHHS requirements for outdoor events will be followed.
- A queue line will be placed at ride entrances and exits to pace entry and exit in an effort to limit congestion.
- Booths or vendors at events will be set up to meet the following:
  - To allow spacing for vendor load-in and loadout such that vendors and staff can maintain a safe distance from each other as much as possible.
  - A minimum of 6 feet will be provided in between booths.
  - A single line of booths will be created where possible instead of double rows. If this is not possible, 10 foot thoroughfare between the two sides will be created.
  - Vendors will be asked to have layouts that promote social distancing.
  - Ropes, cones or tape will be used where necessary.
  - Setup timelines will be extended to allow vendors more time to set up..

#### **Vendors/Volunteers**

- Volunteers will be trained in proper use of protective equipment, and emphasize that they should refrain from face-touching.
- Volunteer handwashing/sanitizing will be encouraged frequently throughout the day.
- Volunteers who have been in close contact with a person suspected or confirmed to have COVID-19 (generally within 6 feet for at least 15 minutes, depending on level of exposure) should not report to work and should self-quarantine.
- When possible, volunteers will be grouped into teams or shifts that stick together to limit mixing between different teams or shifts.
- All volunteers will follow the MDHHS rules regarding the wearing of face coverings.

#### **Performers/competitors**

- Performances with vocal speech or singing, wind or brass instruments, or activities that cause heavy breathing will be situated 25ft from patrons.

Performances with no forced exhalation as in the prior examples, like a piano, harp, or organ player, must be a minimum of 6ft from patrons, but 25ft is preferred.

- Participants (e.g., players, performers, actors) who have been in close contact with a person suspected or confirmed to have COVID-19 should not participate and should self-quarantine.
- Physical spacing between performers on-stage will be maximized.

#### **Hosts/attendees**

- Attendees will be encouraged to stay home if sick or exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms.
- Frequent handwashing/sanitizing will be encouraged.

#### **Golf Cart Shuttle Service**

- Volunteer shuttle drivers will be required to follow the MDHHS rules regarding the use of face masks outdoors.



# APPENDIX L



## Dogs / Service Animal Policy

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### Dogs / Service Animals Policy

The Hamburg Family Fun Fest (Festival) MUST follow Hamburg Township Ordinance No. 87-Am § 5.0, Section 4-22 (d) *Except as provided herein, all dogs or other domestic animals, except those used in conjunction with a park use permit, are prohibited from entering onto any public property or section of public property where a public event is being hosted pursuant to a park use permit unless otherwise approved by the Township Board in the park use approval process.*

In addition, the Festival MUST also follow the U.S. Department of Justice ADA requirements as related to service animals.

Service animals are defined as dogs that are individually trained to do work or perform tasks for people with disabilities. Under the ADA, State and local governments, business, and non-profit organizations that serve the public generally must allow service animals to accompany people with disabilities in all areas of the facility where the public is normally allowed to go. Emotional support, therapy, comfort or companion animals are not considered service animals under the ADA. These terms are used to describe animals that provide comfort just by being with a person. Because they are not trained to perform a specific job or task, they do NOT qualify as service animals under the ADA.

Under the ADA, service animals must be harnessed, leashed, or tethered, unless these devices interfere with the animal's work or the individual's disability prevents using these devices. In that case, the individual must maintain control of the animal through voice, signal, or other effective controls.

When it is not obvious what service an animal provides, only limited inquiries are allowed. Staff may ask just two questions: (1) is the dog a service animal required because of a disability?; and (2) what work or task has the dog been trained to perform? NO questions can be asked about the person's disability; require medical documentation; require special identification card or training documentation for the dog, or ask that the dog demonstrate its ability to perform the work or task. Service animals are not required to wear special identification or provide documentation.

A person with a disability cannot be asked to remove his service animal from the premises unless: (1) the dog is out of control and the handler does not take effective action to control it or (2) the dog is not housebroken. When there is a legitimate reason to ask that a service animal be removed, staff must offer the person with the disability the opportunity to goods or services without the animal's presence.

When a visitor arrives at the entrance to the Festival grounds with a dog or other domestic animal, the volunteer stationed there will point out that, per Hamburg

Township Ordinance, dogs/animals are not allowed on site during the festival. If the person states that their dog is a service animal, they will be directed to the Information Center located on site. No questions are to be asked of the individual. They will be taken care of by trained volunteers at the Information Center.



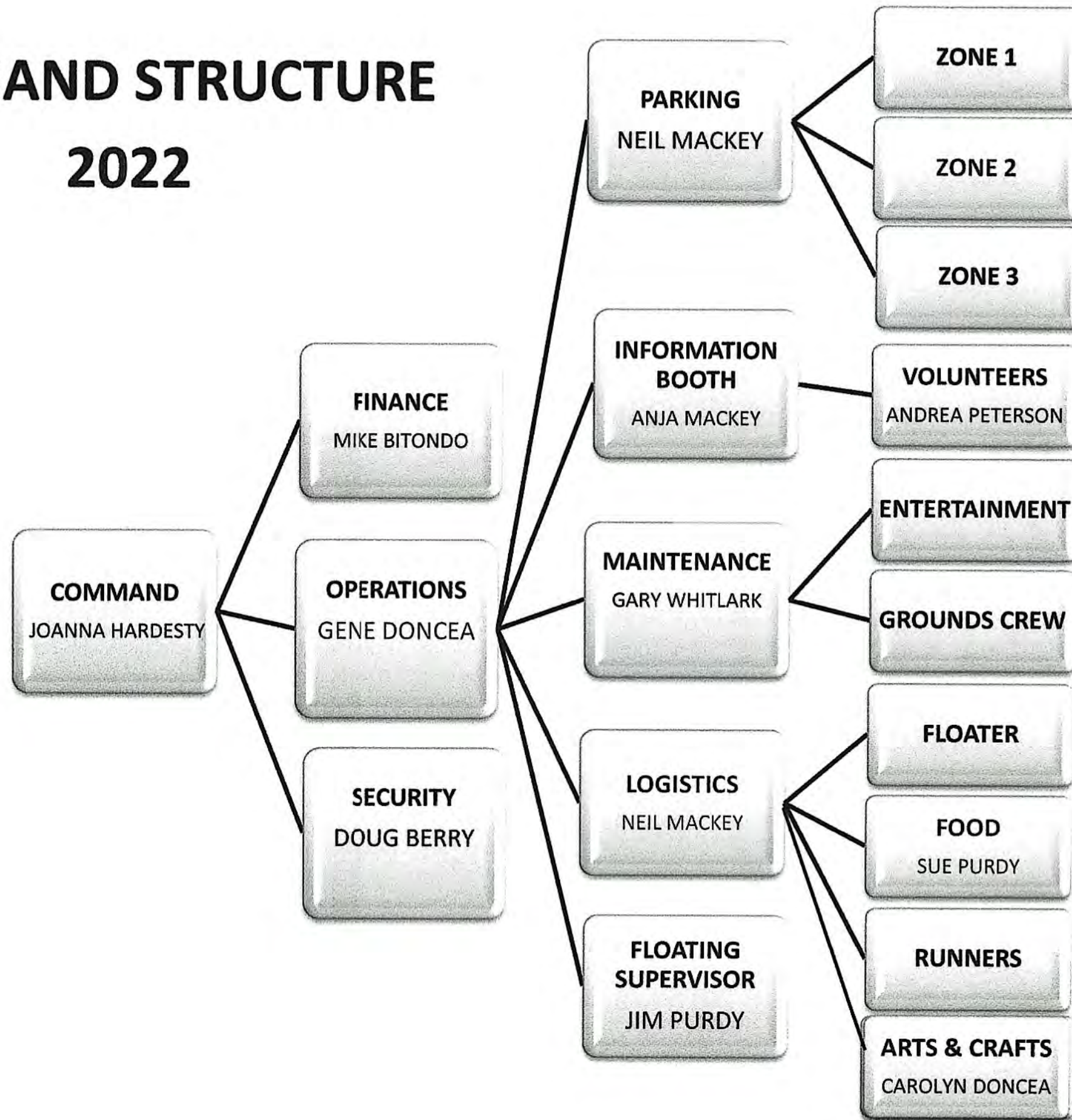
# APPENDIX M



## Command Structure

# COMMAND STRUCTURE

## 2022











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Our version will be green seat with yellow harness

Request a Quote



# Wayfinding Signage – Updated Proposals Requested

## Merrill Trailhead/Disc Golf Entrance

- Entrance sign – directing traffic into parking – two sided
  - Disc Golf & Lakelands Trail Parking (with directional arrow pointing into drive)
- Small internal way finding sign - one sided - to indicate direction to Soccer Fields
  - Soccer Fields & Adult Workout Area (with directional arrow pointing left)

## Municipal Entrance

- Monument Entrance Sign
  - Township to clean, repair, and paint structure
  - Need quote for signage/lettering to replace faded gold lettering listing services
- Complex Map Sign – Should be updated to show Pickleball area near Community Center
  - **2016 Sign Stuff Estimate - \$1,998.00 (attached)**
- Entrance sign – directing traffic into parking – two sided
  - Township Services & Pickleball (with directional arrow pointing into drive)

Would be interested in additional quote for small signs for each of the following drives:

- Police (with arrow)
- Library (with arrow)
- Senior/Community Center (with arrow)
- Township Hall (with arrow)

## West Park/Soccer Entrance

- Entrance sign – directing traffic into parking – two sided
  - Soccer Fields & Adult Workout Area (with directional arrow pointing into drive)
- Small internal way finding sign - one sided - to indicate direction to Disc Golf
  - Disc Golf & Lakelands Trail Parking (with directional arrow pointing right)

## East Park Monument Sign

- Entire Sign needs to be replaced and remounted
  - **2016 Sign Stuff Estimate - \$4,990.00 (attached)**

## East Park/Baseball Entrance

- Entrance sign – directing traffic into parking – two sided
  - Baseball, Football & RC Area - (with directional arrow pointing into drive)
- Small internal way finding sign - one sided - to indicate direction to Baseball (left) & RC (up)

Would be interested in reworking the current Flyer's sign into something similar to what we are replacing for the Municipal Entrance, that shows directions for each thing in east park. Baseball (left), RC Area & Sledding Hill (straight), Football (right) type thing... just a thought. Then we could get another closer to the RC area, which also had some Rules and Regulations listed.

- Flyer's Field Rules and Regulations for Use – 1
  - **2016 Sign Stuff Estimate - \$895.00**





Manly Bennett Park - Disc Golf

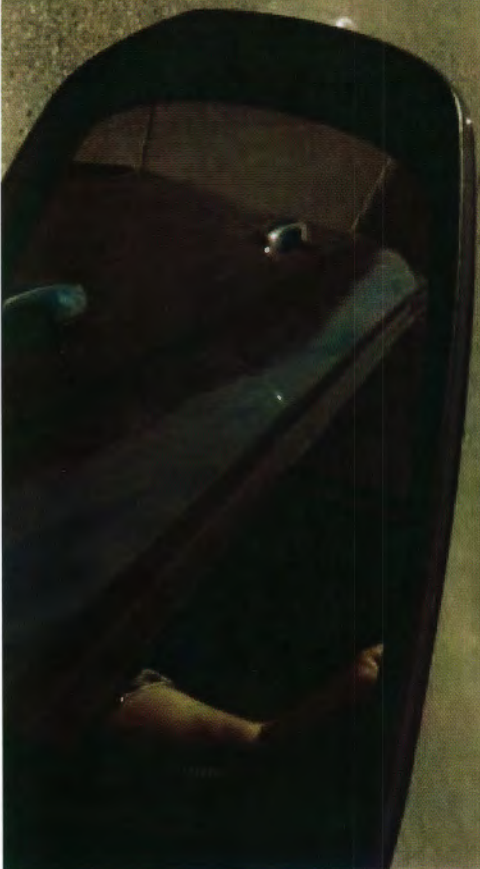
Signage Ideas:

Small sign - monument or

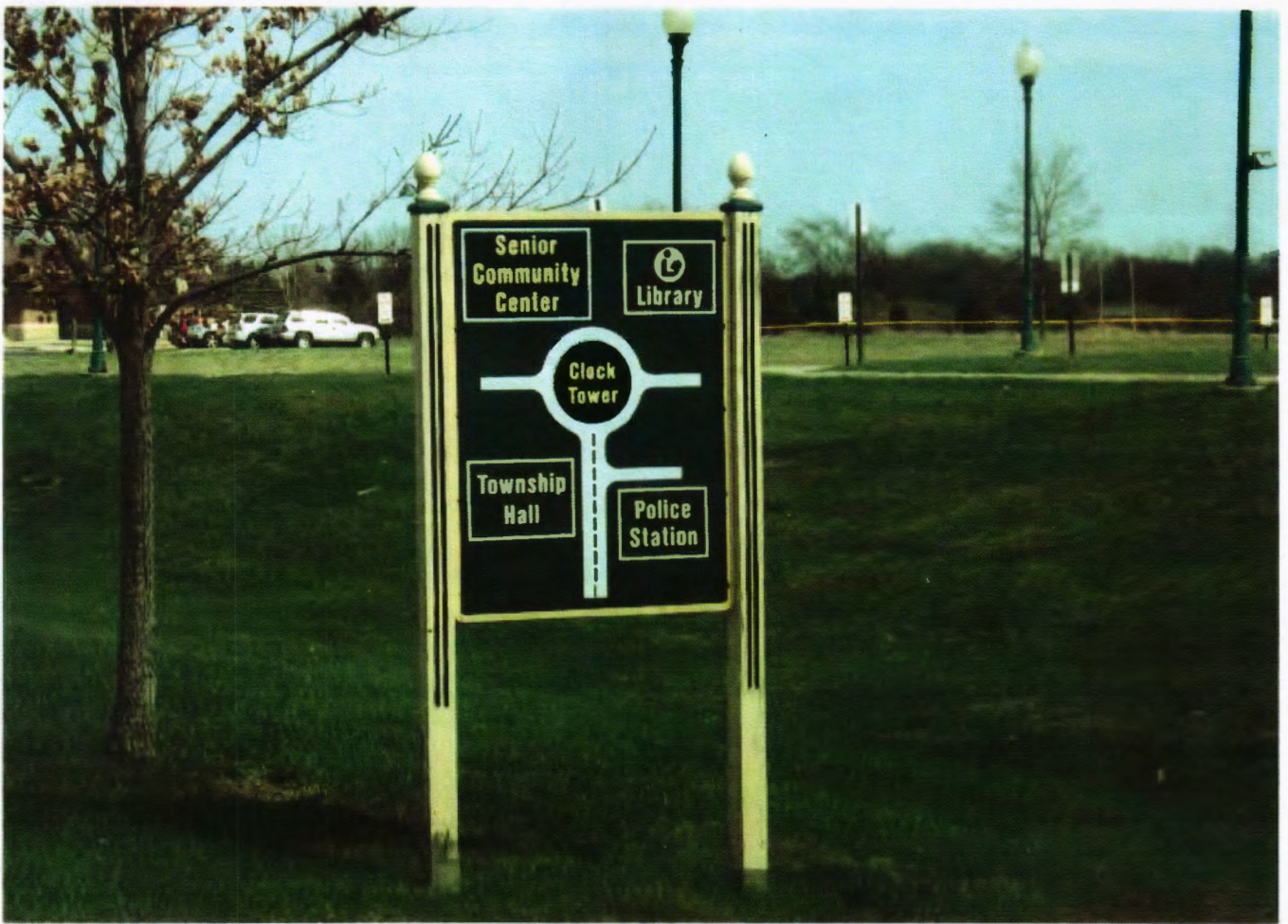
otherwise - wayfinding



needs to be  
visible on both  
sides







May want to re-do  
this sign at the  
same time?





Hamburg  
Township

Senior  
Community  
Center



Library

Clock  
Tower

Township  
Hall

Police  
Station

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Hamburg Twp - directional roundabout - v1





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10405 Merrill Road  
Hamburg, MI 48139

**SHIP TO**

DELIVER TO:  
Hamburg Township  
10405 Merrill Road  
Hamburg, MI 48139

**ESTIMATE #** 2016-428**DATE** 05/20/2016

| ACTIVITY  | QTY | RATE     | AMOUNT   |
|---|-----|----------|----------|
| DESIGN, FABRICATE & DELIVER "ROUNABOUT" SIGN<br>PER DRAWING V1 DATED 5/20/2016                                  |     |          |          |
| <b>Sales</b><br>1-Sided Green & White PolyEngraved Sign, Shape: Andover<br>(35"w x 47"h) Carved Text & Graphic. | 1   | 1,450.00 | 1,450.00 |
| <b>PES-L-PLAQUE</b><br>Customer Supplied Artwork on Raised Plaque   | 1   | 169.00   | 169.00   |
| <b>NES-M14SW6-40</b><br>6' Stepped 2 Post Mounting Kit, inside posts are 5"x5",<br>outside posts are 4"x4"      | 1   | 379.00   | 379.00   |
| <b>DELIVERY</b><br>DELIVERY to Hamburg Township Office  | 1   | 0.00     | 0.00     |

We agree to design and manufacture the sign products outlined in this Sales Order. All material is guaranteed to be as specified, and the work to be performed in accordance with the drawings and specifications submitted for the this project. Upon receipt of your confirmation of this ESTIMATE and your deposit payment, we will begin production of your sign project.

**TOTAL****\$1,998.00**

Accepted By

Accepted Date





West Park - Soccer Entry

Signage ideas:

Small sign - monument or  
otherwise - wayfinding

Dimensions:

Location?: Easement?

2-Sided!

Wording:

Manly Bennett West  
Soccer Fields

Enter Here  
(or Parking?)  
Entrance?







Mankly Bennett - Soccer Entry  
Easement / Topography



Raised Hamburg Logo plaque

1" building grade pvc backboard in 2 pieces, with stucco coating

1" building grade pvc sign with carved letters and details

128 in

95 in



# Manly W. Bennett Memorial Park





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**SHIP TO**

Installation at  
Hamburg Township  
10405 Merrill Road  
Hamburg, MI 48139

**ESTIMATE #** 2016-431**DATE** 06/07/2016**EXPIRATION DATE** 07/07/2016

| ACTIVITY  | QTY | RATE     | AMOUNT   |
|---|-----|----------|----------|
| DESIGN, FABRICATE & INSTALL "Manly W. Bennett Memorial Park" SIGN per attached Drawing Version V1<br>SIGN   |     |          |          |
| <b>Product</b><br>30" High x 95" wide "Manly W. Bennett" sign face with carved letters and details. Your have the option of this sign face being fabricated out of 1" Building Grade PVC or 1/2" King ColorCore (same material used in the other signs we have done for Hamburg Township)<br>16" high x 13" wide "Hamburg Township" raised Plaque<br>12" high x 12" wide "Fire Chief" raised Plaque<br>33.5" high x 128" wide 1" Building Grade PVC Backboard in 2 pieces with Stucco coating | 1   | 4,295.00 | 4,295.00 |
| <b>INSTALLATION</b><br><b>Install</b><br>Remove & Dispose of existing sign. Install New Sign Faces  | 1   | 695.00   | 695.00   |

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**TOTAL****\$4,990.00**

Accepted By

Accepted Date

30 in



# Hamburg Township

## RC Flyer Field Guidelines

- Use of facility is at your own risk.
- For insurance purposes, it is highly recommended that all flights be accompanied by a member of the Hamburg Flyers RC Club. Hamburg Township and Hamburg Flyers RC Club are not liable for any personal injury or equipment damage sustained in or around the RC Airport.
- During Hamburg Flyers RC Club activities, the Club members and their guests have priority use of the facility.
- Use is on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- Please limit use to 30 minutes if others are waiting.
- Facility accommodates any type of radio-controlled device, self-propelled rocket or kite.
- Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.
- Direct all rocket activities to the rocket launch pad at the north end of the parking lot.
- All RC Flyers shall be accompanied by a spotter.
- No Transmitter shall be operated for any reason without proper frequency control pin.
- Parking only in designated parking lot.
- For their own safety, Spectators are not permitted on the flying field.
- A maximum of 3 aircraft are permitted in the air at any one time.
- No flying prior to 9 a.m. Mon – Sat, or prior to Noon on Sundays.
- No flying after dusk on any day.
- No drugs, alcohol or tobacco.
- All users are expected to keep the parks clean and free of litter.

**COMPLETE PARK RULES - [WWW.HAMBURG.MI.US](http://WWW.HAMBURG.MI.US)**

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Hamburg Twp - RC Flyer Field Sign - v1





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**ESTIMATE #** 2016-434

**DATE** 06/10/2016

| ACTIVITY   | QTY | RATE   | AMOUNT |
|--|-----|--------|--------|
| DESIGN, FABRICATE & DELIVER "RC Flyer Field<br>Guideline" SIGN & "Rocket Launch Pad" NAME PLATE per<br>attached Drawing Version V1 |     |        |        |
| Jumbo 1 Sided Sign, Smooth Surface Deluxe, (approx size<br>30" x 40"), White 1/2" PVC, Custom Artistic Layout                      | 1   | 468.00 | 468.00 |
| 4x4 x 6' White PVC Stepped 2 Post Mounting System  | 1   | 389.00 | 389.00 |
| Personalized Name Plate: 3.5" h x 16" w, 1 sided, 1/2" PVC   | 1   | 38.00  | 38.00  |

Delivery to Hamburg Township No Charge

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**TOTAL**

**\$895.00**

Accepted By

Accepted Date

Got stuff to get rid of? Want to Volunteer? - Join us!

# Hamburg Township Clean-up Event

Hamburg Township invites residents to RECYCLE, REDUCE and REUSE!

**Saturday, April 22, 2023**

**9 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

Staging location: **Manly Bennett Park West (Disc Golf Entrance)**

**10405 Merrill Road, Whitmore Lake, MI**



**PADNOS Recycling:** Accepting scrap metal/appliances without freon – No plastic/glass, No sealed tanks (propane, gas, sealed barrels), No lead acid batteries, TVs or Monitors.



**Monroe's Rubbish:** No construction materials, hazardous or household waste allowed. No liquids or paints. We will be taking tires, but must be limited to 4 per household.



**Compost bin** will be available for small branches, yard waste and leaves bagged in paper.



**Iron Mountain:** 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Only—Secure Document Shredding On-Site

**Park/Sports Fields/Trail Clean-up also!**

**Volunteers Needed! Sign up today!**

*No hazardous waste, no paint cans or large items that cannot be hand-loaded into dumpsters.*

*Brochures for Livingston County Hazardous Waste will be available  
outlining their collection dates for hazardous waste and electronics.*



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