BOULDER PARKS AND RECREATION

Master Plan Update

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Engagement Window 1 Summary Appendix

Project Report

12 March 2018 - 04 August 2021

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Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update

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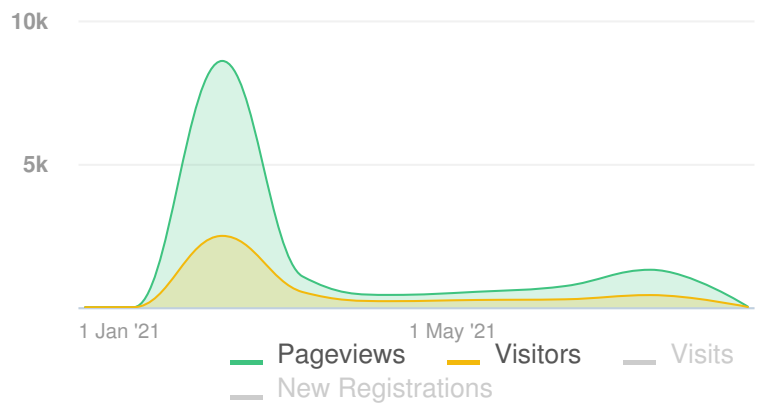
Visitors Summary



Highlights

TOTAL VISITS	MAX VISITORS PER DAY	NEW REGISTRATIONS
4.5 k	448	8

ENGAGED VISITORS	INFORMED VISITORS	AWARE VISITORS
628	1.4 k	3.5 k

Aware Participants	3,543
Aware Actions Performed	**Participants**
Visited a Project or Tool Page	3,543

Informed Participants	1,363
Informed Actions Performed	**Participants**
Viewed a video	15
Viewed a photo	0
Downloaded a document	0
Visited the Key Dates page	45
Visited an FAQ list Page	0
Visited Instagram Page	0
Visited Multiple Project Pages	711
Contributed to a tool (engaged)	628

Engaged Participants	628		
Engaged Actions Performed	**Registered**	**Unverified**	**Anonymous**
Contributed on Forums	0	0	0
Participated in Surveys	17	7	584
Contributed to Newsfeeds	0	0	0
Participated in Quick Polls	0	0	0
Posted on Guestbooks	0	0	0
Contributed to Stories	5	6	0
Asked Questions	6	6	0
Placed Pins on Places	9	10	0
Contributed to Ideas	0	0	0

ENGAGEMENT TOOLS SUMMARY

0	14	0	0	0
FORUM TOPICS	SURVEYS	NEWS FEEDS	QUICK POLLS	GUEST BOOKS

1	1	1
STORIES	Q&A S	PLACES

Tool Type	Engagement Tool Name	Tool Status	Visitors	Contributors		
				Registered	Unverified	Anonymous
Story Telling Tool	Tennis leads to new friends!	Accepted	22	0	1	0
Story Telling Tool	Helping the homeless	Accepted	0	0	1	0
Story Telling Tool	Rollerblading	Accepted	0	1	0	0
Story Telling Tool	Boulder tennis leagues led to many lasting friendships	Accepted	0	1	0	0
Story Telling Tool	Met my first friend in Boulder on the Centennial Tennis C...	Accepted	0	1	0	0
Story Telling Tool	Joys of tennis	Accepted	0	0	1	0
Story Telling Tool	Playing tennis during the pandemic	Accepted	0	0	1	0
Story Telling Tool	A Title	Accepted	0	0	1	0
Story Telling Tool	Tennis	Accepted	0	1	0	0
Story Telling Tool	Making friends via Boulder Tennis Association	Accepted	0	0	1	0
Story Telling Tool	Learning to lap swim	Accepted	0	1	0	0
Qanda	Questions? Comments? | ¿Preguntas? ¿Comentarios?	Archived	133	6	6	0
Place	What's your favorite park, playground, recreation center,...	Archived	102	9	10	0
Survey Tool	Questionnaire 1 (English)	Archived	1156	9	7	438
Survey Tool	Open House Station 3: Safe, Clean and Welcoming Spaces	Archived	69	1	0	56

ENGAGEMENT TOOLS SUMMARY

Tool Type	Engagement Tool Name	Tool Status	Visitors	Contributors		
				Registered	Unverified	Anonymous
Survey Tool	Open House Station 5: Recreation Facilities	Archived	118	1	0	53
Survey Tool	Open House Station 2: Taking Care of What We Have	Archived	75	1	0	51
Survey Tool	Open House Station 1: Financial Sustainability	Archived	84	1	0	44
Survey Tool	Quick Poll - Week of May 12	Archived	80	1	0	41
Survey Tool	Open House Station 4: Community Health and Wellness	Archived	56	1	0	40
Survey Tool	Open House Station 8: New Ideas!	Archived	67	0	0	36
Survey Tool	Open House Station 7: Historic Places Plan (HiPP)	Archived	54	1	0	32
Survey Tool	Open House Station 6: Resilience, Ecosystem Services and ...	Archived	55	1	0	28
Survey Tool	Quick Poll - Week of April 21	Archived	28	0	0	14
Survey Tool	Quick Poll - Week of May 6	Archived	20	2	0	9
Survey Tool	Quick Poll - Week of April 28	Archived	30	6	0	2
Survey Tool	Cuestionario 1 (Español)	Archived	40	0	0	3

INFORMATION WIDGET SUMMARY

0	0	4	0	0
DOCUMENTS	PHOTOS	VIDEOS	FAQS	KEY DATES

Widget Type	Engagement Tool Name	Visitors	Views/Downloads
Key Dates	Key Date	45	51
Video	Channel 8: BPR Master Plan Update (español)	8	8
Video	Channel 8: BPR Master Plan Update (English)	6	6
Video	2014-2019 Master Plan Progress Report	5	6
Video	June 24 Open House Presentation	2	2

STORY TELLING TOOL

Tennis leads to new friends!

author: Amy Dodd

I remember going to the Boulder Tennis Association's drop-in tennis on a Saturday morning many years ago at Centennial Middle School. My husband & I rotated around playing with all kinds of players until near the end of the day we met Molly & Charlie. We enjoyed playing with this other couple so much that we made plans to meet and play again - and again. This led to them making a mixed doubles tennis league team which we joined. It's hard to describe how this expanded our horizons. We met so many other tennis players who became friends, we joined gender specific leagues and met more friends. Now we have a network and can almost always set up a game when we want to. All we need now is some nice, new facilities so we have plenty of courts in good condition on which to play. Thanks!

Visitors 22	Contributors 1	CONTRIBUTIONS 1

No Responses

STORY TELLING TOOL

Helping the homeless

author: Peschz

Civic park area is a place for all walks of people to mingle and live. Ive helped feed and clothe the homeless for years. Itd be a lot easier of a job if the police didnt sweep them and take all their things. Open up more public restrooms, wat er fountains, trash bins, and needle bins to solve a lot of the "issues" that people with privilege often complain about. A lso, you could just house them without so many contingencies and hurdles.

Visitors 0	Contributors 1	CONTRIBUTIONS 1

No Responses

STORY TELLING TOOL

Rollerblading

author: shaquettay

I have been learning to rollerblade in Foothills Community Park in order to join a roller hockey league in the future. I live in Goss-Grove and didn't even know it existed for the longest time - you can imagine my surprise when I saw there were two roller hockey rinks!My favorite memory is doing shooting drills one day. I put one net face-down in front of the other so only the top corners of the net were exposed, and tried shooting into them for accuracy. It was getting cold and dark but I told myself I wasn't gonna leave until I made two in a row. My hands were getting numb and blistered, and the wind was howling, but I finally got it - maybe past closing time! I was cold and in a lot of pain but watching the sun set while peacefully shooting pucks around was very enjoyable.

Visitors 0	Contributors 1	CONTRIBUTIONS 1

No Responses

STORY TELLING TOOL

Boulder tennis leagues led to many lasting friendships

author: pkmarmot

My best Boulder Parks memories stem from playing in fifteen year's worth of tennis leagues in the Boulder community. Since tennis league teams usually consist of ten to fifteen players of the same skill level, and often involve partnering up with one or another team member each week for doubles, you really get to meet and know a lot of people in a comfortable and competitive atmosphere. With our home courts usually at either South Boulder Recreation Center courts, the Centennial Middle School courts, or the Tom Watson Park courts, we would host league matches against teams from around the area: the local private tennis clubs as well as the Longmont, Arvada, Thornton, and Louisville public court teams. After great matches, we (pre-Covid) would sit around at the picnic tables and share the traditional snacks and beverages and get to know the other team's players as well. In such a situation you can't help but make some good and long-lasting friendships. Since my wife and I play in both same-gender leagues and together in the mixed doubles leagues, we now know scores of people we would otherwise have never met. We're both grateful to Boulder Parks and Rec for providing the courts for these league opportunities, and hope league tennis will continue on Boulder public courts for many years to come.

Visitors 0	Contributors 1	CONTRIBUTIONS 1

No Responses

STORY TELLING TOOL

Met my first friend in Boulder on the Centennial Tennis Courts!

author: MaryAnn

I moved to Boulder in 1973. Signed up for a tennis class through City Parks/Rec. Met Betsy who has become a lifelon g friend. Subsequently played BTA ladder matches all over those city courts. Then watched my 2 boys learn to play an d compete with CARA programs through the city. For the last 30 years, I have been playing league tennis through BTA , watching sadly as the city courts sprout weeds and develop dangerous cracks and actually become embarrassing wh en hosting a team from another facility. It's time for the City to dedicate some resources to renovating some of the exist ing courts and building new ones. Why can't we have a facility like Arvada's APEX Center with indoor public courts as well as new lighted outdoor courts? There are thousands of folks in the Boulder area who cannot, or do not want to, joi n a private club. Tennis has become a sport for the masses and Boulder needs to keep up!

Visitors 0	Contributors 1	CONTRIBUTIONS 1

No Responses

STORY TELLING TOOL

Joys of tennis

author: mandyjasper

I have so many memories from the past 20 years of my father coming to visit and us driving all around town to try out new courts and check out the views. This became our thing, our way to get some father/daughter bonding and one on one time during his visits. We would play our match and then head downtown for lunch.

Visitors 0	Contributors 1	CONTRIBUTIONS 1

No Responses

STORY TELLING TOOL

Playing tennis during the pandemic

author: Jean Rosmarin

I really appreciated being able to go to South Boulder Rec Center this year and play tennis. I loved seeing all the other people out doing activities together. We have met many parents teaching their kids to play tennis, young twenties just l ooking to be outside together, and other families that we know from south boulder. And then as I would look around, I would see lively games of pickleball, young twenties on the volleyball courts and frisbee golf courts, people walking the ir dogs around the lake, and kids playing soccer in the field. And I felt really lucky to be hunkering down in Boulder duri ng this pandemic and really grateful that we put money into these kinds of facilities. Thank you!

Visitors 0	Contributors 1	CONTRIBUTIONS 1

No Responses

STORY TELLING TOOL

A Title

author: Player

Something.Plus, it's been wonderful to see so many members of the community turn to the tennis courts to survive the pandemic. Young children and their parents, teens, the elderly, folks who look like they've barely played tennis before. It's a great place to gather safely and have some fun. Please keep supporting it.

Visitors 0	Contributors 1	CONTRIBUTIONS 1

No Responses

STORY TELLING TOOL

Tennis

author: Elizabethgf

Life long sportWhole familyFriendsHigh school teamsBTASafe & outdoorsGreat exercise

Visitors 0	Contributors 1	CONTRIBUTIONS 1

No Responses

STORY TELLING TOOL

Making friends via Boulder Tennis Association

author: Mike M

I was new to the area and did not want to make the commitment of joining a private tennis club. I signed up for the Bo ulder Tennis Association (BTA) and immediately found a great bunch of people from all walks of life, very welcoming a nd great fun to play with in their "Drop In" sessions. Through this connection I now have a great group of friends that I would never have met without the BTA.

Visitors 0	Contributors 1	CONTRIBUTIONS 1

No Responses

STORY TELLING TOOL

Learning to lap swim

author: shibbs

I've always wanted to try lap swimming but was never able to get over the hump of actually doing it. But with Spruce p ool just down the street I finally got myself to go and I've been loving it ever since! I can't wait until it warms up again a nd the outdoor swimming reopens.

Visitors 0	Contributors 1	CONTRIBUTIONS 1

No Responses

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Questions? Comments? | ¿Preguntas? ¿Comentarios?

Visitors 133	Contributors 12	CONTRIBUTIONS 12

Q Albert
03 February 21

When will construction start on the North Boulder Library

A Archived

Hi Albert, thanks for reaching out! Unfortunately, the North Boulder Library is not a Parks and Recreation project, so I'm unable to provide any more detail than is available on the project web page (https://boulderlibrary.org/nobo-branch/). You can contact Antonia Gaona, North Boulder Branch Library Project Manager at gaonaa@boulderlibrary.org to answer your questions about the project. Thanks! Morgan

Q Peschz
05 February 21

Why is parks and rec so fixated on evicting homeless people and prairie dogs? Is fancy turf in a high desert ecosystem more important?

A Archived

Hi there! First of all, I wanted to apologize for the late response - I didn't realize I was not being notified of new questions, but that's been fixed now. I wanted to let you know that we've received your question, and unfortunately it's a pretty complicated question and it will require me to reach out to a few different people for answers. I will post a response publicly as soon as I have the answers. Thanks for your patience! - Morgan Gardner

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Q Peschz

05 February 21

Why is parks and rec so fixated on evicting homeless people and prairie dogs? Is fancy turf in a high desert ecosy stem more important?

A Archived

Thank you for your question. As Boulder's Parks and Recreation department, our mission is to promote the healt h and well-being of the entire Boulder community by collaboratively providing high-quality parks, facilities, and pro grams. The purpose of the Master Plan Update is to ensure that we are meeting the community's needs and desir es for our system of parks, facilities, and programs. Both addressing homelessness within our community and ma naging prairie dogs are complex issues that require collaboration with other city departments and organizations. E veryone, including homeless individuals, is welcome in the parks if they are following park rules. The city continue s to take a coordinated approach to encampments, leveraging a team that includes police, housing and human se rvices, open space staff, parks crews, nonprofit agencies, and a private contractor. It is the policy of the City of Bo ulder to prevent and disband encampments as quickly as possible to avoid harm to encampment inhabitants, the broader community, as well as public spaces and natural resources legally and compassionately. The BPR Maste r Plan Update Project Team has reached out to several community homeless service providers to participate in st akeholder focus groups. We hope to work with those service providers to do targeted outreach with homeless po pulations within Boulder as part of our engagement process so that the voices of all community members are hea rd in this process. Similarly, prairie dog management is directed by several city-wide policies and recommendatio ns, including: The Urban Wildlife Management Plan: Prairie Dog Component The Wildlife Protection Ordinance Th e recommendations of the Prairie Dog Working Group In general, the city's goals are to provide for the long-term ecological sustainability of wildlife while proactively reducing conflicts between humans and wildlife. The objective s of these policies and recommendations are to conserve prairie dog populations where possible in the urban ser vice areas and to remove them from urban areas where they conflict with other land uses and with humans. Like wise, the city – through Open Space and Mountain Parks – seeks to support ecologically sustainable prairie dog populations across the broader landscape while maintaining the viability of agricultural operations by reducing imp acts from prairie dogs on irrigated lands. We appreciate the challenging question - the Master Plan Update gives BPR a chance to have these difficult conversations with the community and update our goals and strategies to be st serve the entire community through parks and recreation. Thanks, Morgan and Regina

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Roger Pioszak

19 February 21

Given that a recent petition amongst neighbors near the Boulder Reservoir showed 100% were against a liquor license at the new reservoir facility, why does Parks and Recreation continue to push for a liquor bar at the rez?

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Thank you for your question. Our partners at the Boulder Reservoir, Driftwind Restaurant, have decided to withdraw their liquor license application. Together, we will focus this first year on building great experiences and the positive relationships that will allow us to fulfill the community vision created with this project.Being Good Neighbors We are working on a draft Good Neighbor Agreement that will spell out our communication commitments and a process to address input from the neighbors moving forward. That agreement will be circulated for comment and then we will host a virtual meeting to hear suggestions on the agreement. Also, in the works and planned for warmer days is a sound check – where we will announce the testing of various sound levels associated with the new partnership and test their impacts at various points.Communications Moving ForwardWe will continue to send emails to the list of community members that have requested to receive reservoir restaurant updates. If someone would like to sign up for this list to ensure they get our communications directly, please email Boulder Reservoir Manager, Stacy Cole at coles@bouldercolorado.gov.Thanks!

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Q pkmarmot
19 February 21

With the addition of a whole contingent of new tennis players (according to the Physical Activity Council, between the third quarter of 2019 and the third quarter of 2020 national participation in tennis increased 49%) , and the fac t that tennis courts now support a whole new population of pickleball players, and the fact that even pre-pandemi c, the Boulder Valley School District was locking the public out of some of their formerly available courts) Boulder tennis and pickleball players are facing a critical shortage of available public courts. This wouldn't have been such an issue if Boulder Parks and Rec had been at least occasionally added a few courts to the mix over the last two decades. But that hasn't been the case, and now that oversight by the City is catching up to all the taxpayers who have tennis or pickleball as their sport of choice. According to one of Parks and Rec's own surveys back in 2014, tennis courts were second in terms of usage of all types of fields and courts in the Parks system -- and that has s urely increased by now. In light of that, I am wondering if the City has started in on plans to construct a new racqu et sports center on a par with Quali Courts in Longmont or the Arvada Tennis Center down in Jefferson County? And sorry, I'm not sure if this is more of a comment or a question. :)

A Archived

Thanks for your interest in the tennis and pickleball courts in Boulder. Staff certainly understand the concerns an d questions related to the quantity of courts as well as the condition of those courts. Like many sports and activiti es we have seen a dramatic increase in usage throughout the pandemic and are evaluating the capacity and avai lability of the courts given the demand for tennis and pickleball. Staff are currently assessing the conditions and prioritizing maintenance needs and resurfacing options that can be complete this year. Additionally, staff are activ ely working with BVSD staff to determine an approach for some of the shared courts between the city and school district at various locations in Boulder. Finally, through this current master plan process, we will be completing an updated analysis to understand the need for more courts as well as investment strategies and partnerships that might support new court development. We appreciate your continued participation in the process and will provide regular updates. Thanks!

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MIchael O'Neill

20 February 21

Are there plans to build more tennis courts? Between COVID and the rising popularity of pickle ball, it's harder to get a court. Some days, I drive to the closest 4 courts, and still don't find one. It's an inexpensive sport that all sor ts of people can access. It's just the cost of a racquet (always some to be found used) and tennis balls. It's an id eal socially-distanced sport, and it could keep some people off of the busy trails! Thanks!

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MRN

20 February 21

Can we make sure that tennis courts updated and our gyms in north Boulder expanded to be more state of art? L ights in courts at least and courts maintained, please look at longmont courts and they are better maintained.

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Q MaryAnn

21 February 21

Why can't Boulder figure out how to fund a public tennis facility, similar to the Apex Center in Arvada? The city co urts are cracked and sprouting weeds. We haven't built a new one in many years. The renovations to Knollwood Courts and Martin Park are much appreciated but with the boom in tennis and pickleball, we desperately need mo re courts. Not all of us can afford, or even want, to join a private club.

A Archived

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Jim Callanan

24 February 21

Tennis/PickleBall: Pickleball is taking off just about everywhere. Lots of older people play and even some younger ones. Additionally, tennis has seen a massive uptick in participation over the last 10 years and as an excellent Covid activity, the last year has seen it go up dramatically as well. I often find it difficult to get a court at Centennial and other venues and have to "travel around" to find one with my group. I'd love to see the tennis community supported more with 1) A new large venue with ~8 courts; 2) Improved maintenance [nets, cracks, windscreens] at existing courts; and 3) Expanded capacity for pickleball as they encroach (understandably) on PaddleBall and tennis in places like NBRC. What is the city's plan wrt these 3 items???? Thanks!

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10is_PB

24 February 21

Why Boulder's tennis courts are in such bad shape: large cracks, broken net posts and nets, small rocks and debris on the courts? I've seen many times rollerblading and skateboarding taking place on the tennis courts. Boulder needs more courts for tennis and pickleball players, and maintaining existing courts. Arvada did it. Why can't Boulder follow the suit?

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Gabe Bodner

25 February 21

It would be great to see some indoor tennis and pickleball courts in Boulder. Pickleball is one of the fastest growing racket sports in the country and is great for people of all ages. Tennis is also great for all ages and there simply are not enough public courts throughout Boulder, especially in the winter months. An indoor facility would be a great addition to our city's recreational resources.

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Mike M

25 February 21

Why have tennis facilities been neglected for the last 20 years? My understanding is that no new courts have bee n built in this time, despite an explosion of demand through league play, pickle ball, junior coaching programs and generally increased usage. Tennis is a great sport for all ages and more importance should be assigned to it in th e future.

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ENGAGEMENT TOOL: PLACE

What's your favorite park, playground, recreation center, or other Parks and Recreation facility? | ¿Cuál es su parque, área de juegos, centro de recreación y demás instalación de Parques y Recreación favorito?

Visitors 102	Contributors 19	CONTRIBUTIONS 22

2021-01-07 10:19:48 -0800
Morgan_Gardner
CATEGORY
Favorite

This is my favorite dog park! Everyone is so fun to chat with and my puppy has made some great friends in both the small and large dog areas!
Address: 4598 7th Street, Boulder, Colorado 80304, United States

http://www.beheardboulder.org/bprmasterplan/maps/what-s-your-favorite-park-playground-recreation-center-or-other-parks-and-recreation-facility-cual-es-su-parque-area-de-juegos-centro-de-recreacion-y-demas-instalacion-de-parques-y-recreacion-favorito?reporting=true#marker-31393

2021-01-07 10:20:08 -0800
Morgan_Gardner
CATEGORY
Favorite

This is the closest park to my house, and I love going on walks with my new puppy here. He gets experience with all sorts of new people and situations, and we love the big open fields!
Address: Parkside Park, 26th St. and Kalmia Ave., Boulder, Colorado 80304, United States

http://www.beheardboulder.org/bprmasterplan/maps/what-s-your-favorite-park-playground-recreation-center-or-other-parks-and-recreation-facility-cual-es-su-parque-area-de-juegos-centro-de-recreacion-y-demas-instalacion-de-parques-y-recreacion-favorito?reporting=true#marker-31394

2021-02-03 23:13:11 -0800
BW
CATEGORY
Favorite

Harlow Park and South Rec … my ‘hood. The walk, the view, the pool.
Address: 1300 Gillaspie Drive, Boulder, Colorado 80305, United States

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2021-02-04 11:58:26 -0800
techjeff
CATEGORY
Favorite

close by and lots of options
Address: East Boulder Dog Park, 55th, Boulder, Colorado 80303, United States

http://www.beheardboulder.org/bprmasterplan/maps/what-s-your-favorite-park-playground-recreation-center-or-other-parks-and-recreation-facility-cual-es-su-parque-area-de-juegos-centro-de-recreacion-y-demas-instalacion-de-parques-y-recreacion-favorito?reporting=true#marker-32378

2021-02-05 13:50:28 -0800
Peschz
CATEGORY
Favorite

Calm peaceful with trees and plenty of birds.
Address: 1291 9th Street, Boulder, Colorado 80302, United States

http://www.beheardboulder.org/bprmasterplan/maps/what-s-your-favorite-park-playground-recreation-center-or-other-parks-and-recreation-facility-cual-es-su-parque-area-de-juegos-centro-de-recreacion-y-demas-instalacion-de-parques-y-recreacion-favorito?reporting=true#marker-32405

2021-02-06 07:54:12 -0800
Tom Leahy
CATEGORY
Favorite

North Shore of Boulder Reservoir. I've been enjoying this areas since 2007. Would love to be involved in discussions in care and its future.
Address: Boulder Reservoir Dam (North), Boulder, Colorado 80301, United States

http://www.beheardboulder.org/bprmasterplan/maps/what-s-your-favorite-park-playground-recreation-center-or-other-parks-and-recreation-facility-cual-es-su-parque-area-de-juegos-centro-de-recreacion-y-demas-instalacion-de-parques-y-recreacion-favorito?reporting=true#marker-32415

2021-02-07 06:22:53 -0800
sepideh

I like the combination of adult and children's equipment at this park. I like that it has picnic benches.
Address: North Boulder Park, 800-898 Dellwood Ave, Boulder, Colorado 80304, United States

http://www.beheardboulder.org/bprmasterplan/maps/what-s-your-favorite-park-

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2021-02-07 06:24:20 -0800

sepideh

CATEGORY

Favorite

I like the older kid section of this park. I like watching the paragliders land.
Address: Foothills Community Park, 4550 8th St, Boulder, Colorado 80304, United St ates

http://www.beheardboulder.org/bprmasterplan/maps/what-s-your-favorite-park-playground-recreation-center-or-other-parks-and-recreation-facility-cual-es-su-parque-area-de-juegos-centro-de-recreacion-y-demas-instalacion-de-parques-y-recreacion-favorito?reporting=true#marker-32434

2021-02-07 06:25:58 -0800

sepideh

CATEGORY

Favorite

I like watching the kids on their futuristic electric hoverboards.
Address: 5000 Pierre Street, Boulder, Colorado 80304, United States

http://www.beheardboulder.org/bprmasterplan/maps/what-s-your-favorite-park-playground-recreation-center-or-other-parks-and-recreation-facility-cual-es-su-parque-area-de-juegos-centro-de-recreacion-y-demas-instalacion-de-parques-y-recreacion-favorito?reporting=true#marker-32435

2021-02-09 11:18:27 -0800

shaquettay

CATEGORY

Favorite

NoBo! During summers my friends and I get together for Friday afternoon frisbee and picnicking.
Address: North Boulder Park, 800-898 Dellwood Ave, Boulder, Colorado 80304, Unite d States

http://www.beheardboulder.org/bprmasterplan/maps/what-s-your-favorite-park-playground-recreation-center-or-other-parks-and-recreation-facility-cual-es-su-parque-area-de-juegos-centro-de-recreacion-y-demas-instalacion-de-parques-y-recreacion-favorito?reporting=true#marker-32480

2021-02-19 07:48:56 -0800

Monica

CATEGORY

Favorite

I love having neighborhood tennis courts for easy drop in play and the beautiful lawn s urrounding it. It's great to see kids and families enjoying the space.
Address: 4280 Redwood Place, Boulder, Colorado 80301, United States

http://www.beheardboulder.org/bprmasterplan/maps/what-s-your-favorite-park-playground-recreation-center-or-other-parks-and-recreation-facility-cual-es-su-parque-area-de-juegos-centro-de-recreacion-y-demas-instalacion-de-parques-y-recreacion-favorito?reporting=true#marker-32769

2021-02-21 07:59:22 -0800

Jean Rosmarin

CATEGORY

Favorite

I like all the outdoor activity that's possible here - tennis, pickleball, volleyball, soccer, f risbee - I really like the sense of community this created during the pandemic.
Address: 1360 Gillaspie Drive, Boulder, Colorado 80305, United States

http://www.beheardboulder.org/bprmasterplan/maps/what-s-your-favorite-park-playground-recreation-center-or-other-parks-and-recreation-facility-cual-es-su-parque-area-de-juegos-centro-de-recreacion-y-demas-instalacion-de-parques-y-recreacion-favorito?reporting=true#marker-38008

2021-02-21 10:22:26 -0800

Player

CATEGORY

Favorite

Tennis courts in particular are the hope of the community during the pandemic. Great to see families and friends flocking to use them for safe outdoor activity.
Address: 1360 Gillaspie Drive, Boulder, Colorado 80305, United States

http://www.beheardboulder.org/bprmasterplan/maps/what-s-your-favorite-park-playground-recreation-center-or-other-parks-and-recreation-facility-cual-es-su-parque-area-de-juegos-centro-de-recreacion-y-demas-instalacion-de-parques-y-recreacion-favorito?reporting=true#marker-38016

2021-02-24 15:57:38 -0800

kjochim

CATEGORY

Thanks for supporting the Boulder Model Airport
Address: 5900 North 51st Street, Boulder, Colorado 80301, United States

http://www.beheardboulder.org/bprmasterplan/maps/what-s-your-favorite-park-playground-recreation-center-or-other-parks-and-recreation-facility-cual-es-su-parque-area-de-juegos-centro-de-recreacion-y-demas-instalacion-de-parques-y-recreacion-favorito?reporting=true#marker-39387

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2021-02-28 09:54:15 -0800

stsamuel

CATEGORY

Favorite

Great place for baseball, just wish it were better maintained/upgraded with better per manent pathways around the east baseball field.
Address: 3995 E, Boulder, Colorado 80303, United States

http://www.beheardboulder.org/bprmasterplan/maps/what-s-your-favorite-park-playground-recreation-center-or-other-parks-and-recreation-facility-cual-es-su-parque-area-de-juegos-centro-de-recreacion-y-demas-instalacion-de-parques-y-recreacion-favorito?reporting=true#marker-39492

2021-03-06 14:20:13 -0800

KW

CATEGORY

Favorite

Martin Park is the best!
Address: 345 South 38th Street, Boulder, Colorado 80305, United States

http://www.beheardboulder.org/bprmasterplan/maps/what-s-your-favorite-park-playground-recreation-center-or-other-parks-and-recreation-facility-cual-es-su-parque-area-de-juegos-centro-de-recreacion-y-demas-instalacion-de-parques-y-recreacion-favorito?reporting=true#marker-40362

2021-03-12 11:45:50 -0800

lizziejane

CATEGORY

Favorite

In 2002, I briefly lived in Boulder near the Hawthorn Community Gardens. It became a touchstone for me as I walked my dogs around its perimeter, met gardners and neigh bors. In 2003, I returned to Boulder permanently and for the last 17 years have been a member of the Growing Gardens family and community. Along with Long's Garden, this has become my heart and home. In the summer, when I volunteer at the Pollinator Garden, I hear the voices of the children who participate in the camps held t here. It gives me so much hope for the present and the future. I love, love love this ge m of a garden.
Address: 3240 Broadway St, Boulder, Colorado 80304, United States

http://www.beheardboulder.org/bprmasterplan/maps/what-s-your-favorite-park-playground-recreation-center-or-other-parks-and-recreation-facility-cual-es-su-parque-area-de-juegos-centro-de-recreacion-y-demas-instalacion-de-parques-y-recreacion-favorito?reporting=true#marker-40607

2021-03-18 07:33:19 -0700

shibbs

CATEGORY

Favorite

I love the Valmont bike park, and I think it's one of the coolest and most unique things about Boulder. I've taken many visitors there, and I go about once a week in the sum mer to build skills and blow off steam. I also love to see the community out there whet her it's the hardcore bmx riders, or groups of small children
Address: Start/Finish, Boulder, Colorado 80301, United States

http://www.beheardboulder.org/bprmasterplan/maps/what-s-your-favorite-park-playground-recreation-center-or-other-parks-and-recreation-facility-cual-es-su-parque-area-de-juegos-centro-de-recreacion-y-demas-instalacion-de-parques-y-recreacion-favorito?reporting=true#marker-40839

2021-03-19 22:30:10 -0700

dundorf

CATEGORY

Favorite

The rocks are fantastic!
Address: Arapahoe Ridge Park, Boulder, Colorado 80303, United States

http://www.beheardboulder.org/bprmasterplan/maps/what-s-your-favorite-park-playground-recreation-center-or-other-parks-and-recreation-facility-cual-es-su-parque-area-de-juegos-centro-de-recreacion-y-demas-instalacion-de-parques-y-recreacion-favorito?reporting=true#marker-40887

2021-04-17 05:32:29 -0700

cassidy

CATEGORY

Favorite

North rec!
Address: 3160 Broadway, Boulder, Colorado 80304, United States

http://www.beheardboulder.org/bprmasterplan/maps/what-s-your-favorite-park-playground-recreation-center-or-other-parks-and-recreation-facility-cual-es-su-parque-area-de-juegos-centro-de-recreacion-y-demas-instalacion-de-parques-y-recreacion-favorito?reporting=true#marker-42276

2021-04-17 10:20:41 -0700

TrailBozo

the mountain parks are amazing. This is where i get all my recharge and fitness, and Nature, all in one. It is a place of pride for me as well, and our community. Sitting in th e sun on the top of a peak in the morning makes the rest of the day amazing.

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2021-06-22 16:06:18 -0700

Brent Halsey

CATEGORY

Favorite

I love the paths around the lake for running, walking the dogs, teaching our kids how t o bike, etc. I do not love all the goose poop that makes this area a minefield.
Address: 1400 Gillaspie Drive, Boulder, Colorado 80305, United States

http://www.beheardboulder.org/bprmasterplan/maps/what-s-your-favorite-park-playground-recreation-center-or-other-parks-and-recreation-facility-cual-es-su-parque-area-de-juegos-centro-de-recreacion-y-demas-instalacion-de-parques-y-recreacion-favorito?reporting=true#marker-46145

ENGAGEMENT TOOL: SURVEY TOOL

Questionnaire 1 (English)

Visitors 1156	Contributors 454	CONTRIBUTIONS 460

No Graphs to show

Pro Tip:

The following types of questions are shown here as graphs.

Dropdown Type Question

Checkbox Type Question

Radio Type Question

Region Type Question

Number Type Question

Text based responses are not shown in this report.

Questionnaire 1 (English)

SURVEY RESPONSE REPORT

31 January 2021 - 01 March 2021

PROJECT NAME:

Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update

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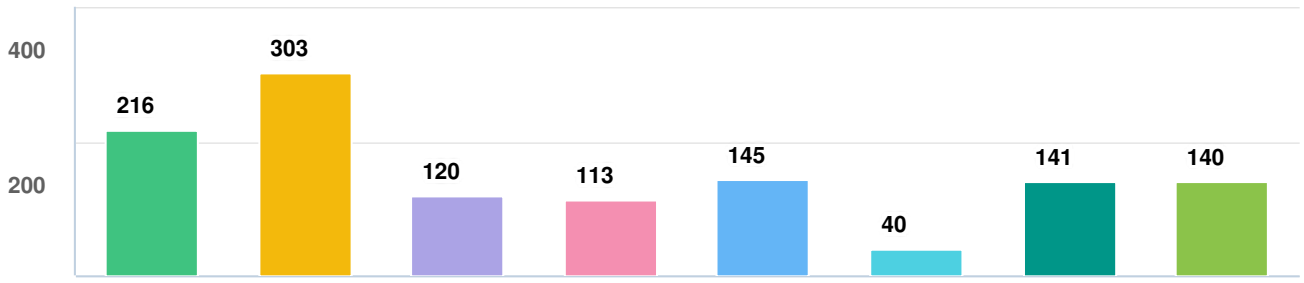
SURVEY QUESTIONS

Q1 Please choose the top three that are important to you.



Question options

- Community Health and Wellness: Ensure public health and wellness through parks, facilities, and programs to keep Boulder a healthy and vibrant community.
- Taking Care of What We Have: Prioritize investments in existing parks and facilities to ensure the long-term viability of the park and recreation system.
- Financial Sustainability: Balance multiple and increasing demands within existing resources, recognizing the limits of public funding and the need to focus on core services.

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Optional question (443 response(s), 17 skipped)
Question type: Checkbox Question

Q2 "Community Health and Wellness": Why is this important?

Anonymous 2/01/2021 03:20 PM	test
Anonymous 2/02/2021 07:55 AM	Many of our parks have been under a great deal of stress given uptick of meth addicted unhoused transients. the last clean up near the library found over 1,000 needles adjacent to the playground along with hundreds of pounds of other trash, human waste etc. Our children can no longer enjoy these spaces and many in the community no longer feel safe in our parks built for all to enjoy.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 08:45 AM	It fosters a lively community
Anonymous 2/03/2021 09:42 AM	To join our community together.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 10:55 AM	Parks and recreation facilities are so important to people's physical and mental well-being, as the pandemic as so aptly demonstrated.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 11:50 AM	Healthy and happy citizens should have lower costs. Hopefully this is relevant to healthcare and crime.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:49 PM	The rec centers are dated and need maintenance - same for many parks. Equipment needs upgrading and the bring the best of what's available to Boulder. Surrounding communities have nicer facilities.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 01:30 PM	Parks provide health and wellness benefits which have been really stressed during these times.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 01:39 PM	I want a healthy and vibrant community
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:35 PM	Studies continually show that exercise is essential to all aspects of wellness. The programs provided by parks and rec are an important asset to the community.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:37 PM	If you are not providing the services needed by the community, then you have failed in your mission.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:49 PM	Classically underfunded and the COVID19 situation has highlighted this issue. Also builds mental wellness and personal resilience.
Anonymous	I think this is the primary goal for any Parks and Recreation Dept and is

2/03/2021 04:04 PM	especially important now as Covid has impacted the mental and physical health of so many in our community.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:06 PM	Much of what I enjoy is being with the community. Especially, playing tennis year round. I would love to see a winter bubble over the rec center courts. There is a great demand for tennis in the winter.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:07 PM	The health and wellness of community members is a foundation for healthy relationships and social harmony. It's also very wise economically, since healthy and happy people miss fewer days of work, and require fewer trips to the doctor's office. Also, kids who have access to a vibrant recreation center will be less likely to engage in physically or emotionally destructive behaviors.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:18 PM	Public spaces are important part of a democratic society.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:56 PM	With the pandemic limiting many options, parks and rec has offered one consistent way for me to stay active; I didn't use facilities much in the past, but have used it more than ever now. Outdoors spaces have also played a huge role in mental health this past year.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:57 PM	We have certainly seen the importance of health in the last year - and the city parks and recreation services have been a vital lifeline for our community, providing not only physical opportunities to stay healthy but more importantly mental health and wellness. Life is so much more enjoyable when each person is healthy and able to engage in the fun and challenges of our lives.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:06 PM	Because it lowers the stress on our medical centers and keeps health insurance costs down.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:12 PM	This last year clearly shows the importance of health and wellness. Lifestyle was the game changer in this virus.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:17 PM	It’s important that we have a well-rounded community not just focused on only a few activities but many.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:40 PM	A healthy community creates a wonderful place to live in so many ways from seeing strangers smile at one another while on a walk to neighbors pitching in to help a struggling neighbor to groups volunteering on a community project to friends getting together to enjoy each other's company in one of our parks.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:40 PM	Health and wellness of our community keeps people connected and happy
Anonymous 2/03/2021 09:00 PM	When it becomes part of the local ‘culture’ more people become involved and make it their way of life.
Anonymous	Focusing on having a recreation department that focuses on health and

2/04/2021 05:41 AM

wellness is the point of a recreation team in my opinion. As boulder grows we will need to continue to focus on making health and wellness a priority in boulder.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 05:50 AM

Access to trails that are close is a large health benefit.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 06:17 AM

City parks and rec offer an affordable way to get and stay healthy and that helps our entire community.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 06:48 AM

A healthy community lessen our need for health care and energizes our lives moving forward

Anonymous
2/04/2021 08:28 AM

It's a big part of Boulder culture. Even though some private companies may be able to deliver same services, they often are at a higher cost, which can cut out middle and lower class families from being able to participate. And the Y doesn't always offer same options.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 08:36 AM

Seems like parks and rec areas in the city are ran over by homless encampments and the PD isnt doing muck

Anonymous
2/04/2021 09:19 AM

I visited and used the city parks more in 2020 than I ever have in the 13 years I have lived in Boulder because of the coronavirus pandemic. I felt visiting the parks improved my mental health during the Stay at Home order and I used them for activities that I hadn't before such as picnics and meeting places.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 09:42 AM

It’s important for the community to understand the importance of the health of nature and also ourselves to preserve our future.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 11:43 AM

Many of our parks have no restrooms or the restrooms need to be restored, they're full of garage (including evidence of needles), and I sometimes don't feel safe (such as in the Library park where there are campers and my children and I were followed).

Anonymous
2/04/2021 11:50 AM

Balancing a busy life. Nature is very important for people to relax. Open space plays an important role in mental health.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 02:26 PM

That's the purpose, right? To cultivate health and wellness of Boulder citizens? It's one of the healthiest places in America, due in great part to these services, parks, and rec centers.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 02:37 PM

The community needs to be served regardless of age, income level, religious or ethnic background, and self identity. Ensuring public health through free or low cost options (parks, facilities, programs) is taking care of the community.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 07:08 PM

Healthy, happy, tight-knit communities are safer for everyone.

Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:26 PM	Parks and open space are important to our city's health. We need to get outside, have access to public parks, spaces, and facilities like the rec centers at a low cost to maintain physical and mental health. Our family regularly uses parks and playgrounds all throughout the city, as well as open spaces and mountain trails.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 06:11 AM	Financially it makes sense to promote health and wellness and it’s the right thing to do!
Anonymous 2/05/2021 10:37 AM	Helping *all* citizens stay well seems like the highest priority for a municipal parks & rec department. It contributes to quality of life, decreases health care costs, attracts and retains residents.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 02:10 PM	It's an investment in the health and wellness of the community population. The healthier the community is, the fewer healthcare resources they may need ongoing, this is a direct benefit to society as a whole.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 11:03 PM	Across the nation, there is an aging population boom. Boulder is no exception. The fastest growing sport in the nation, Pickleball, is a favorite of the aging population. I am a long-time Boulder resident who also travels a fair amount, and am frustrated and disappointed at the lack of support and encouragement that the city of Boulder provides for this popular sport that provides fitness, social, emotional support to a large community.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 09:25 AM	I hope P and R uses accurate numbers on demographics of Boulder citizens (do not include the university students who have their own recreation facilities) to determine who are the citizens to be served by the department, now and in the future. Older people are a key and growing demographic, and equipment and services for them are key to keeping them mentally and physically fit and able to capably participate as citizens.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 07:44 PM	It builds a healthy community which benefits all of us.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 07:42 AM	Quality of life, long-term investment and improvement in our community
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:07 AM	I believe this is core to what we do.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:41 AM	Health and wellness is essential to a balanced life.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 10:25 AM	I would adjust this concept to say that I believe it is important for Parks and Recreation to specifically make wellness easy and equitable. Those who have flexible jobs and the privilege of time and childcare to maintain their health need help to maintain their health and wellbeing and no one but the City has the foresight and interest in addressing this, and should to ensure the health of our ENTIRE community.

Anonymous 2/09/2021 10:29 AM	That is the reason I love Boulder. So many opportunties to maintian my health, fitness, wellness, nutrition, spirtual and racing needs.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 12:24 PM	Seems like this is the primary reason for having a Parks & Rec department in the first place, and therefore is a core priority.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 01:06 PM	Making use of the existing facilities at full capacity
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:04 PM	Just before covid hit, there were plans to expand pickleball availability. I would love to see these happen
Anonymous 2/09/2021 04:09 PM	We are fortunate to live in Boulder and many of us live here because of access to open space and outdoor recreational opportunities. This supports all of us live more healthy lives.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:27 PM	It's always about safety...
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:31 PM	Keeps me young in body and mind to help my WORLD
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:44 PM	Without health, you have nothing but expense
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:38 PM	Access to well managed rec centres, open spaces, expressing a priority for caring for mind, body and spirit and cultivating wellness, strength and stewardship for community health and wellbeing. Why have a community if it not healthy for you/us?
Anonymous 2/09/2021 09:03 PM	more trails = more community outdoor options = healthier community
Anonymous 2/10/2021 06:16 AM	A lot cheaper to keep people healthy than to try to fix them with the medical system. They're also happier and less stressed, both of which lead to better decisionmaking in every other area of their lives and their public policy preferences.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:20 AM	Increase hours of rec centers and add a rec center to boulder
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:31 AM	During COVID times, so important for ParkRec to support community to gather in safe way, support fitness and outdoor activity, support people meeting new people
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:34 AM	Parks and Rec spaces and facilities offer an opportunity to maintain personal and community wellness which is an investment that pays dividends across many facets of Boulder.

Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:46 AM	I think there are services the city does not directly provide that are also important for the city to fund/support. Gym and swimming pools are not everyones ideal recreation in Boulder. The arts are important as well and should be totally supported by the city however you can.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:50 AM	Outdoor recreation is a core component of a healthy community. Parks and recreation services and facilities promote this important community value.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:04 AM	Health and wellness contribute to one's sense of purpose. Providing access to health and wellness gives people the opportunity to have a well-lived life.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:06 AM	Boulder is known for its outdoor recreation and our parks are a key part of the health and wellness of our community.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:32 AM	P&R opportunities are critical to developing and maintaining a healthy population. Durin COVID isolation, recreational opportunities have been more important than ever.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:38 AM	The Rec Center offers programs that are supportive of my husband and my health, our friends and our special need daughter. The Expand program is for people with disabilities, like Sophia (now 26 years old). There is no other program like Expand in Louisville, Lafayette, Longmont or Westminister. People come from all these areas to participate in the valuable program which offers physical, social and cognitive programs to the disabled. Sophia has personally enjoyed their Basketball league, Swim program and Ski program for years. She also participates in their monthly dances, their reading programs and many other activities. It's become like a second home for her.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	it can't be a white washed town. housing prices are already too expensive, teachers can't even afford to live here. your 'affordable housing' is in the middle of a highway. and with the high costs of living, WHAT are they getting to live here. not worth it
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:43 AM	It’s one of the reasons we choose to live in Boulder.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:48 AM	This is the purpose of the Parks and Rec department. Services that support community health and wellness.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:48 AM	This is one of the main reason Boulder is a great place to live.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:04 AM	It's very important that our cities provide respite from the busyness of our lives through recreational activities and parks within the city for rest and relaxation.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:23 AM	Health and Wellness isn't just sports and outdoor activities. The Arts creates Health and Wellness.

Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:25 AM	This seems like the core purpose of a parks and rec dept.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:49 AM	Provide safe access to: - beautiful outdoor spaces where everyone can enjoy nature - world-class exercise facilities
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:38 PM	
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:43 PM	places for community to gather together, and make art or enjoy nature
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:44 PM	Its what makes Boulder and Colorado so special. We are health focused and want to live with that as a focus.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:02 PM	Our neighborhoods are key to a vibrant and healthy community, making it affordable to all is key.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:44 PM	the arts, sports and cultural events that have all suffered from COVID need to be supported to revive our sense of community, stimulate the economy and provide culture for visitors and locals
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:49 PM	Isn't that what parks and rec is about?
Anonymous 2/10/2021 04:09 PM	Especially in light of the mental and physical toll that COVID-19 has had on so many of us, post-pandemic health and wellness should be made a public priority in order to recover as a community. Having access to amazing outdoor recreation has been a godsend during this time, but post-pandemic, there will be so many people who will need and want to engage in getting healthy mentally and physically!
Anonymous 2/10/2021 04:32 PM	This implies a healthy environment and healthy citizens follow from that
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:00 PM	Maintaining the health of our community is one of the most important reasons for having a recreation facilities.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 07:44 PM	People need access to quality programs that support engaged sports, classes, etc. for quality of life.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:34 AM	Because if we maintain a healthy and happy community, interactions between people are better.
Anonymous	It is so much of what makes Boulder so special and livable-- a community

2/11/2021 08:23 AM	that values health and wellness and that supports it.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 11:02 AM	Greater physical and mental creates a more productive society, lowers healthcare costs and substance abuse
Anonymous 2/11/2021 11:43 AM	It’s important because the facilities promote healthy behavior of residents.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:41 PM	Boulder is synonymous with an outdoor, healthy lifestyle. My primary engagement with my city is through recreational facilities - trails, tennis courts, parks, open spaces and the rec centers. Supporting and preserving these assets is the most important way that Boulder can add value for me as a taxpaying citizen.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 03:10 PM	Using facilities, parks and programs besides keeping people fit, allows social wellness by meeting and getting to know others I otherwise would not have met.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 03:45 PM	We have lots of Park and Rec space - let's use it to encourage people to spend time outdoors as much as possible for physical health, mental health, and overall wellness.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:03 PM	It has the potential to make people happier or more content.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 10:37 AM	Health and Wellness to me is a fundamental - building strong healthy and engaged citizens
Anonymous 2/12/2021 12:04 PM	Access to safe and relevant health and wellness is vital to community.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 07:41 AM	Parks & Rec exists for the wellness of the community. It's where we go to work out, swim, exercise.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 08:57 AM	The ability to get outside and enjoy nature is one of the things that makes Boulder unique and great.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 07:54 PM	healthy citizens make a healthy community
Anonymous 2/15/2021 02:12 PM	As a senior, I hope that pickleball will be expanded. It is a great way for seniors to get exercise and socialize, both extremely important to aging well and happily. While I really appreciate the south and north boulder courts where lines and nets have been provided, It seems time to install more as well as make them "designated Pickleball courts" with permanent nets. We hope you seriously consider this in the 5-year planning.
Anonymous	Wellness is critical to happiness.

2/15/2021 10:34 PM

Anonymous
2/16/2021 06:38 AM

Because it is the purpose of the entire system

Anonymous
2/16/2021 08:40 AM

Parks are essential in fostering better physical and mental health

Anonymous
2/16/2021 08:59 AM

Being healthy is more than just fitness. Building community is critical. Having places to find community should be a hallmark of any parks and rec organization.

Anonymous
2/16/2021 01:50 PM

Our company as a whole likes to promote health and fitness so this is a value of ours.

Anonymous
2/16/2021 02:42 PM

A healthy community is a happy community.

Anonymous
2/17/2021 09:07 AM

It's important, because as someone who manages and takes care of our parks, there's even increasing instances of dangerous situations stemming from drug use, homelessness, and lack of enforcement. It's frustrating to see all the money being allocated towards building new facilities when the city can't even police it's public parks to keep them safe. When there's rot in the foundation, there's rot in the whole system. Look at the creek path through downtown: does that represent a "Vibrant and healthy community"? Where are the resource allocations for dealing with that? When you step off any trail or bike path throughout the city, you're likely to find piles of trash, human excrement, and drug paraphernalia. Does that represent a "vibrant and healthy community"? There seems to be a large disconnect between the values the city extolls and reality on the ground.

Anonymous
2/18/2021 01:05 AM

I am 68 and have a health issue that is affecting my mobility. Pain makes it hard to walk, but walk I must, and taking my dog at Coot and Twin Lakes is so rewarding for both of us. People are friendly and dogs are well-behaved. It’s my main form of exercise, and a precious resource.

Jim Goers
2/19/2021 08:55 AM

Boulder is aging, we need to keep Seniors active, and have age appropriate programs to do so.

Anonymous
2/19/2021 12:36 PM

Having opportunities for seniors to stay active will ensure independence and health in an otherwise vulnerable population.

Anonymous
2/19/2021 04:11 PM

A healthy community helps us all appreciate well being for all. This includes mental health and an ability to enjoy peaceful environments.

Anonymous
2/19/2021 04:18 PM

Government has a role in preserving the natural environment. Preserving the natural environment keeps humans healthy.

Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:18 PM	In these divisive times, fostering local interpersonal connections is a vitally important way to increase our mental health and the health of our communities. We have a real opportunity to foster conversations that build bridges between people who may not agree on all matters, but learn to respect each other because they've chatted about sports or nature or whatever.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 05:58 AM	Boulder should maintain its reputation as one of the healthiest cities on earth.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 08:24 AM	For me personally, I depend on these facilities for physical activity, as we understand so well during the pandemic. For the community, it creates a sense of shared values.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 09:44 AM	Such gobbledygook jargon! Would help if you'd translate your questions into plain English
Anonymous 2/20/2021 12:03 PM	In addressing this goal, it is important to make sure that it is equitable, not just addressing health and wellness of more privileged segments of our community.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 01:21 PM	This is why Boulder is so wonderful - a focus on health and wellness
Anonymous 2/20/2021 08:48 PM	I think the major reason to have a strong parks and rec department is to allow community members to participate in activities that enhance their health and wellbeing. I believe this is an integral part to Boulder culture.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 10:44 PM	That's a big part of Boulder's identity and why so many people want to work and live here. I would be great if our rec center facilities and parks were representative of this to sustain our healthy lifestyles.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 07:23 AM	helps the community be resilient and a vibrant place to live. saves money in long run. when we are well we take care of friends/neighbors/others better.
Jean Rosmarin 2/21/2021 08:15 AM	In comparison to other places I've lived, I really appreciate that Boulder has public facilities that are accessible to all - so this could go under equity but I also think it's about our whole community's wellness.
Player 2/21/2021 11:15 AM	Sick communities don't bode well for the future of the communities.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 10:52 AM	It is the ultimate outcome measure.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 01:02 PM	Healthy people are generally more happy, compassionate folks that have a positive impact on the community.
Anonymous	it's the very foundation of Boulder

2/22/2021 08:50 AM

Anonymous
2/22/2021 09:53 AM

So much of my weekly social activities and exercise is tied to or a benefit of the BPR organization. I create community through those facilities and programs, I keep physically and mentally healthy, and it is a major reason why I'm happy to call my home, Boulder, Colorado.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 12:25 PM

Preserving the parks as places for gathering and exercise and meditating and communing with nature should be the main goal for all users of the park.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 02:21 PM

Green and Natural spaces are important for so many different aspects of community health and I include the natural ecosystem processes in my definition of community. Consider the community as an organism and these spaces are a key part of keeping that organism healthy and thriving.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 03:28 PM

Recreation is a cornerstone of Boulder quality of life

Anonymous
2/22/2021 05:10 PM

Outdoor activities are key in Boulder. Sports that all ages can play like Platform Tennis are important to support.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 05:38 PM

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Anonymous
2/22/2021 07:13 PM

Great opportunity for adults, families, kids, etc. to come together for health and wellness

Anonymous
2/22/2021 07:26 PM

It benefits everyone.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 08:13 PM

Speaking from our direct experience, where we worked with the Parks and Rec dept and the staff at the North Boulder Rec Center to upgrade the lights on the Platform tennis courts, we have noticed that the sport is flourishing since then. People want quality facilities that are consistently maintained.

Anonymous
2/23/2021 06:02 AM

Core of what Parks & Rec does.

Anonymous
2/23/2021 07:26 AM

It is what makes Boulder one of the happiest and healthiest towns in the world.

Anonymous
2/23/2021 09:28 AM

Continue to offer programs for city residents fo all ages.

Anonymous
2/23/2021 09:48 AM

Boulder really is a small community, I've been here since 1980 & was a rec. center member for many years. We are an active community & care deeply about health & wellness.

Anonymous 2/23/2021 01:36 PM	Our outdoor spaces are one of the most vital ways (perhaps THE most) vital component for health and wellbeing. Our Parks and Rec make spending time outdoors safe, accessible and welcoming and maintained.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 06:00 PM	A healthy community is a happy community and generally a more welcoming an inclusive community.
10is_PB 2/24/2021 08:49 AM	especially now...
Anonymous 2/24/2021 12:14 PM	If you maintain and/or build easily accessible and appealing outdoor spaces in ALL communities, it's easier for everyone to get outside to recreate which does wonders for everyone's mental and physical health. The more people outside, the more people connect with each other which contributes to stronger communities.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 03:06 PM	Healthy people make better choices all around.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 03:18 PM	It’s what makes Boulder a great place to live.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 08:13 AM	Boulder Tennis Facilities are in moderate-condition,, and this palls in comparison to other nearby communities (where courts are not only available, but in vastly better condition). Boulder has a large community of tennis players/enthusiasts (in the thousands!) -- why has this health-generating activity been encouraged in other communities and not Boulder? I'm happy to pay the high taxes here in Boulder, but this is a use for tax monies that would serve many and even make our community more appealing.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 08:52 AM	I play pickleball, which is great for the physical and mental health of all players, young and old.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 09:00 AM	Outdoor activities are key in Boulder. Sports that all ages can play like Platform Tennis are important to support. Hoping more Platform Tennis Courts are built to accommodate this growing sport. Exercise and community are key to a healthy and happy town. Growing sports, like Platform Tennis, help promote community and are a great win-win solution! Speaking from our direct experience, where we worked with the Parks and Rec dept and the staff at the North Boulder Rec Center to upgrade the lights on the Platform tennis courts, we have noticed that the sport is flourishing since then. People want quality facilities that are consistently maintained. We just hope that there is budgeting being committed for upcoming maintenance that the courts will need (ie. new screens in the next few years). A friend of mine, Brock Borman, has donated a tremendous amount of time to help keep the courts maintained as he has experience installing and maintaining platform courts. There are also a few others including myself who have donated many hours to those courts. However, we should not rely on the individual goodwill of our

	citizens to keep our public facilities maintained. Build two more Platform Tennis Courts at another location in Boulder. There are more and more players every month that want to play this great sport but we need more facilities. "Build it and they will come"
Anonymous 2/25/2021 10:20 AM	I think there is enough data published that ties health and wellness to happiness and ability to succeed.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 01:35 PM	Boulder is nationally known for it's vibrant outdoor lifestyle and access to parks and recreational facilities. I'd like Boulder to continue to maintain this reputation.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 04:41 PM	We are lucky to live is such a beautiful place and it is important to keep our parks and facilities safe so everyone can benefit and enjoy them.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 05:09 PM	Part of a community's resiliency is based on its wellness. We want to be able to be a strong example of a healthy community that can bounce back from traumatic events. But we also want to flourish. A healthy community is a happier community. If we have our health and wellness, only then can we live fully and be more creative in our endeavors.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 05:32 PM	We want "programs to keep Boulder a healthy and vibrant community." Let's increase the number of pickleball courts to keep up with this ever-increasing sport!
Anonymous 2/25/2021 09:20 PM	I want Boulder to keep our parks and rec areas open and available for neighborhoods, youth sports (baseball, soccer). My four children have grown up playing at our neighborhood parks and also playing sports in the community. This hs one of the reasons Boulder is a family friendly place to live.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 03:45 AM	Boulder Parks and Recreation is an important part of keeping the Boulder community healthy both mentally and physically. Residents go to Boulder Parks to exercise, spend time with others in the community, and to enjoy being in the outdoors.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 06:23 AM	Especially in a pandemic, having healthy physical recreational outlets is important for the community.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 07:56 AM	Currently we have unequal access to health and wellness. We can see in the pandemic that this affects all of us.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 08:30 AM	Health and wellness support contentedness which can serve as a base for a more compassionate and peaceful community
Anonymous 2/26/2021 09:19 AM	More than ever, h & W critical to residents of all ages. We need healthy outlets for exercise and socializing.
Anonymous	Our family and many others rely on parks and baseball facilities for much of

2/26/2021 10:07 PM	our outdoor activities
Anonymous 2/27/2021 12:01 AM	Quality parks, recreation and especially outdoor space is vital to physical and emotional wellness.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 07:20 AM	Health should be important to all and as a community, we should support a healthy active lifestyle.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:01 AM	We need to be outside. I have worked as a volunteer coach in multiple youth sports and strongly believe in youth sports as a positive experience for kids that can help them as individuals and help decrease social and cultural barriers among participants. When kids have teammates, bonds form that help to cross cultural divides.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:45 AM	That's why we live here!
Anonymous 2/28/2021 11:10 AM	The community needs a safe place to enjoy nature. A family oriented park to expand family participation and enjoyment.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 02:10 PM	Reduces stress and crime
Anonymous 2/28/2021 03:32 PM	Nurtures the physical & emotional health of Boulder citizens.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 03:43 PM	We need to respect the residents and their needs
Anonymous 2/28/2021 08:01 PM	I think "Community Health and Wellness" is a fundamental value/function.

Optional question (168 response(s), 292 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q3 "Community Health and Wellness": What hopesdo you have for the future?

Anonymous 2/01/2021 03:20 PM	test
Anonymous 2/02/2021 07:55 AM	I hope we have clean parks that are well maintained and free from trash, meth needles and other hazardous waste and that our City has the courage to address it.
Anonymous	That we can spend time outside together freely and joyfully

2/03/2021 08:45 AM

Anonymous
2/03/2021 09:42 AM

More community events and ethnic programs in the parks to expose more people to different cultures.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 10:55 AM

More resources for the department to use in keeping facilities safe and adapting top change.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 11:50 AM

I hope we can have dog parks within walking distance of all neighborhoods. This can create a greater sense of community as well as healthier and happier citizens and canines.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 12:49 PM

Upgrading of facilities and building new facilities comparable for what is in surrounding communities.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 01:30 PM

Getting more people involved, especially underrepresented individuals.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 01:39 PM

Good park upkeep, cleanliness, maintenance

Anonymous
2/03/2021 03:35 PM

I hope that the funding will remain high enough to continue the wonderful programs the rec centers have traditionally provided.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 03:37 PM

I am deeply disappointed in the breakdowns between the parks and rec department and clubs/organizations that use these facilities. I hope that the city can better cater to their needs in the future.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 03:49 PM

Accessibility for the mentally and physically disabled including older adults.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 04:04 PM

I hope BPR can continue to provide a range of programming and spaces that promote health and wellness for all ages, all abilities, all people.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 04:06 PM

Promoting family activities. More festivals like a lantern festival, a dog parade, a community business parade, some scavenger hunts in the summer along the Boulder Creek.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 04:07 PM

I imagine the recreation centers returning to full functioning, including sauna and hot-tub, and lots of yoga and fitness classes. And hope that our beautiful city parks continue to be well maintained, along with all of our "open spaces."

Anonymous
2/03/2021 04:18 PM

Continue to maintain existing parks. And where land is available, add new parks. Also, move forward on the North Boulder Library build out. Library important for social and learning space.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 04:56 PM

I love that the rec offers trial classes and one-time events that provide an option to try something new. I'd like to see that sort of work continue.

Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:57 PM	People are out in our parks more than ever. I hope the parks stay clean and green. I hope that there are park enhancements in some of our older parks; that Gunbarrel gets a city park as planned and that the Valmont South regional park is funded.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:06 PM	I hope that I can enjoy parks and open space and bike paths without seeing bums, meth heads, drug addicts, and homeless camps. I hope fines and jail time is mandatory for these crimes.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:18 PM	The environment of Boulder will be a place for all people to feel healthy and well.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:12 PM	Safe and clean paths. (No CHOP hangouts along the paths.). Clean parks and rec centers.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:17 PM	An indoor tennis facility or bubble
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:40 PM	I hope that serious consideration goes into providing dedicated pickleball courts to our community.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 09:00 PM	That many great programs with quality instructors are offered
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:41 AM	I hope that everyone who lives in boulder can grow like I did and have the space and area to find health and wellness. It's so important to have enough health and wellness resources that this is possible. So that there is time for people to open swim or lap swim, so that there are interesting classes to learn about fitness, so that there are enough parks that it's not too crowded.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:50 AM	Additional trails especially for mountain biking which would lead to a lot less driving and emissions.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:17 AM	Continued classes on health education (nutrition, weight management, healthy back, healthy heart). A full slate of exercise classes for all ages. Classes and activities that offer connection to others.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:48 AM	That everyone can maintain a healthy lifestyle
Anonymous 2/04/2021 08:28 AM	Promotion of programs that lift up community wellness in ways and offerings that differ from private sector. Either more affordable or more welcoming.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 08:36 AM	Places along the creek familys can go
Anonymous	Boulder needs to figure out a way to make residents feel safe in all the parks

2/04/2021 09:19 AM	and continue to provide all the opportunities they do.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:42 AM	I hope in the future to have community gatherings and workshops on sustainability and natural resources preservation.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 11:43 AM	Parks should feel safe, clean (enough), and welcoming.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 11:50 AM	That boulder will buy even more land for open space.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 02:26 PM	Continued maintenance of our spaces.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 02:37 PM	I would like to see more playgrounds for adults to exercise (like the equipment in 9th and Balsam park area) and more areas for cross county skiing and snowshoeing.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 07:08 PM	I hope we can gather our diverse community in a space that fosters relationships and supports individuals in their unique challenges.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:26 PM	Preservation, expansion, and enhancement of the parks, facilities, and open space. I'd like to see the cost come down or be eliminated from come amenities. For example, Colorado Springs has splash pads for kids all throughout the city and they're free and open to the public. I don't think everything needs to be free but some things should be.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 06:11 AM	As development takes over Boulder it is important to maintain the precious open spaces and community centers making sure they don’t get too crowded and undesirable
Anonymous 2/05/2021 10:37 AM	Parks & Rec might contribute in helping citizens recover from the pandemic, both physically and mentally.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 02:10 PM	My hope is that our waterways and parks are protected for all to enjoy. Allowing people to camp/party near the Boulder Creek or in the parks does not help do this. It is a hygiene and safety issue.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 11:03 PM	Dedicated pickle ball courts at all three of the recreation centers.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 09:25 AM	More dispersed fitness locations including numerous warm water fitness pools so seniors and disabled can increase and maintain fitness and mobility. Dispursed to allow access by non-driving means. More walking programs with stretching components for seniors.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 07:44 PM	That Boulder is able to continue to progress and offer programs that build health and bring people together.

Anonymous 2/09/2021 07:42 AM	Easy access to activity and connection, keeping active together
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:07 AM	That all community members are able to access some type of opportunities for health and wellness and that barriers to entry are low.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:41 AM	Health and wellness can help to put less strain on the hospital system and enrich the lives of those looking to achieve a greater sense of health and wellness.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 10:25 AM	I hope that we are ensuring that our entire community has access to living a healthier and active life.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 10:29 AM	Open water swims
Anonymous 2/09/2021 01:06 PM	More in person class offerings as COVID subsides
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:04 PM	See above
Anonymous 2/09/2021 04:09 PM	That the parks have a priority for those in Boulder to help us build community. Events at parks are fine, but they need to be balanced with times when there are no major events and people can meet informally.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:27 PM	Inclusive hopes.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:31 PM	More participation by youth and mentoring by people of all ages
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:44 PM	Vibrant, active, happy long lived citizenry.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:38 PM	I have great hope for prioritization of Community Health and Wellness in design and budgetary considerations within the city/county of Boulder.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 09:03 PM	more trails, especially mountain biking trails
Anonymous 2/10/2021 06:16 AM	More opportunities that reduce the excuse "It's too crowded" for not getting out and doing things.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:20 AM	an new rec center in boulder to reduce the number of people using the exisiting centers

Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:31 AM	Better Pickleball facilities. This past year, the Pickleball and platform courts are almost always full, and tennis courts often empty. Please paint more lines and add nets. You could use space more efficiently to accommodate more courts
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:34 AM	Continue to improve and expand facilities to make more facilities available for the community.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:46 AM	That Boulder becomes more of a cultural and arts city. Places like the pottery lab, and BMOCA were really helpful during the pandemic to provide another outlet for the community.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:50 AM	More of the same (post-pandemic). We have a fantastic parks and rec system. Let's keep improving on what we have.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:04 AM	To be able to provide access to health and wellness to people who may be new to outdoor activities and healthy food.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:06 AM	Better trail maintenance and signage, maintenance and expansion of bike and skate parks, dealing with parking issues where needed.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:38 AM	We would love to see the Expand program grow to offer even more activities that are physically challenging, cognitively enhancing and socially enabling.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	more room for small spaces, art studios
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:43 AM	More equity for all citizens.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:48 AM	Offer diverse opportunities to engage the community's physical bodies and emotional/creative selves. Protect our nature spaces and keep them available.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:48 AM	That even more of Boulder's population takes part in wellness activities.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:04 AM	Specifically, I've been a potter most of my life and I understand the therapeutic value of allowing people to get their hands and minds into clay, places like the Pottery Lab.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:23 AM	A vibrant Pottery Lab remaining in the existing building at 1010 Aurora as it has for over 60 years.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:25 AM	Better ability to access services - e.g.,, pools in the summer fir kids & adults. Continued availability of art programs like the pottery lab.

Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:49 AM	Continued improvement in the facilities to serve the needs of all.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:38 PM	
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:43 PM	That the trails remain so well tended and open, that the Pottery lab STAY OPEN
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:44 PM	New outdoor and indoor fitness/exercise/play amenities.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:02 PM	Less vehicle traffic, expand Pearl Street ped mall to 9th street would be so nice.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:44 PM	that our culture , arts and sports events and activities return to the community
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:49 PM	Lets kids and adults try new activities so each person can find what helps them be physically and mentally healthy
Anonymous 2/10/2021 04:09 PM	I hope that everyone in our community is able to access programs and facilities that help them stay well and healthy. I'd like to see Boulder maintain their commitment to physical health (we have wonderful public pools, parks, and community fitness centers), but I'd like to see a greater emphasis on mental health and wellness and other holistic practices that will be so necessary as well all recover from the COVID-19 traumas.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 04:32 PM	That we may all be healthy and well, because we keep our community that way.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:00 PM	That all Boulder residents have access to safe options for staying active.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 07:44 PM	Make enough classes/expand to support the need, make sign up accessible to all communities-not just those quick and clever enough to sign up.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 06:23 AM	Continued growth and improvement of facilities and parks.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:34 AM	That people spend more time outdoors
Anonymous 2/11/2021 08:23 AM	a continued vibrancy to the offerings, parks, and special programs. flexibility and response to growth, climate change. education around both to help build resiliency in the community.

Anonymous 2/11/2021 11:02 AM	City and county evolves quickly with your customer base
Anonymous 2/11/2021 11:43 AM	Classes that meet the needs of residents, especially seniors.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:41 PM	Protect the crown jewels of Boulder. The creek paths (Boulder Creek and others) and surrounding parks are under siege from transients from outside of Boulder. Encampments, trash, and unpredictable characters are making some areas less desirable or even unusable. I plead with the City to restore the Boulder Creek path to a clean, accessible place for citizens.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 03:10 PM	Through education, community members can use the information to keep healthful behaviors and stay active longer and safely . Keep healthful norms.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 03:45 PM	That the Park and Rec department can be more of a team player when it comes to Boulder groups that want to use Park and Rec spaces for wellness-type programs and events.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:03 PM	That we can maintain the level of engagement we presently have and accommodate more if we need to.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 10:37 AM	Continuing to offer beautiful parks and top class fitness centers
Anonymous 2/13/2021 07:41 AM	My hope is that kids/young people in Boulder use our services to become life-long advocates of health. One look at obesity rates in the US and it's concerning...
Anonymous 2/13/2021 10:05 AM	Accessibility for anyone to be able to easily do the activity of their choice
Anonymous 2/13/2021 07:54 PM	get and keep all generations active importance of mental health and wellness
Anonymous 2/15/2021 10:34 PM	I hope to see more drop in classes. My personal favorites are ballet and yoga.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 06:38 AM	More pickleball courts instead of shared tennis courts
Anonymous 2/16/2021 08:40 AM	We can use our parks again fully
Anonymous 2/16/2021 08:59 AM	Having parks and pathways for recreation is one side. But having opportunities for exploration of the arts is also an essential side. I hope that priority will not completely side with fitness to the detriment of arts

opportunities for all ages.

Anonymous
2/16/2021 01:50 PM

To get more people out in our parks!

Anonymous
2/16/2021 02:42 PM

More recreational gym hours for 50+ Community. Outdoor designated Pickleball Courts.

Anonymous
2/17/2021 09:07 AM

I would hope that the city could take a step back from throwing large sums of money at capital improvement projects and deal with the very real and serious health and safety issues throughout the park system.

Anonymous
2/18/2021 01:05 AM

To continue to allow well-behaved dogs off lead in a few places that are also accessible for an older person with mobility issues like me.

Jim Goers
2/19/2021 08:55 AM

Wellness via programs for Seniors.

Anonymous
2/19/2021 12:36 PM

More outdoor sports facilities, in particular dedicated pickleball courts, which are currently non-existent.

Anonymous
2/19/2021 04:11 PM

I hope that Parks and Rec does not urbanized any of its rural parks including adding more possibilities for alcohol and parties. I hope that they rather encourage outdoor programs for adults and youth, Instead of using parks for pure extreme amusement I hope that more programs for seniors and people with disabilities can be created.

Anonymous
2/19/2021 04:18 PM

Expansion of parks to preserve undeveloped land, and suStain the environment

Anonymous
2/19/2021 04:18 PM

I hope you can build on the Total Body Fitness class run by Daryl & Joe, the longest-running fitness class at the Boulder Rec (~34 yrs.). They combine fitness with friendliness, and the personal connections made by the participants surely increases their mental as well as physical health. I'd love to see programs that foster personal connections for all ages. (Joe & Daryl's class mostly attracts seniors.) Friendly teams sports is one idea, especially if some component of it encouraged connections outside of that activity.

Anonymous
2/20/2021 05:58 AM

Regularly maintained facilities, like tennis courts.

Anonymous
2/20/2021 08:24 AM

Boulder is able to preserve and expand its opportunities for the community.

Anonymous
2/20/2021 01:21 PM

As increase demands in Boulder that we have enough facilities and they are maintained.

Anonymous

have everyone find an activity that makes each persons heart sing

2/21/2021 07:23 AM

Jean Rosmarin
2/21/2021 08:15 AM
I hope that we continue to offer low cost opportunities for people to use the gyms and to use the tennis courts.

Player
2/21/2021 11:15 AM
Hope it gets healthy and stays healthy.

Anonymous
2/21/2021 10:52 AM
That this outcome is shared across our community equitably.

Anonymous
2/21/2021 01:02 PM
That funding for public facilities is increased to be able to not only better maintain but build new needed facilities.

Anonymous
2/21/2021 03:16 PM
I hope that if we keep our parks and open space in good condition the residents can enjoy the outdoors which is good for our mental and bodily health.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 08:50 AM
more tennis facilities that are easily accessible at more locations so folks can ride bikes to access

Anonymous
2/22/2021 09:53 AM
That with all of the fiscal pressures and potential obstacles to maintain quality parks and recreation, that the community will continue to prioritize the effort and money it will require for decades to come.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 12:25 PM
Clean, eco-friendly environments that allow residents and users of the parks to have somewhere to go that is safe, clean, peaceful and aligned with the natural environment.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 02:21 PM
I would hope for better comprehensive planning of green spaces and programming in those spaces in the communities where they can have the maximum benefit from the health of the entire community equitably.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 03:28 PM
Commitment to environmental and wildlife health as well as peoples

Anonymous
2/22/2021 05:10 PM
Hoping more Platform Tennis Courts are built (possibly at the Valmont location) to accommodate this growing sport. The great thing is that Pickleball can also be played on these courts making them multipurpose.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 05:38 PM
Exercise and community are key to a healthy and happy town. Growing sports, like Platform Tennis, help promote community and are a great win-win solution!, Boulder should build more courts to accommodate the growth of the sport

Anonymous
2/22/2021 07:13 PM
More opportunities for people to come together for recreation

Anonymous
To see more people gather for activities after the pandemic

2/22/2021 07:26 PM

Anonymous
2/22/2021 08:13 PM

Add more platform courts as they target a many different demographics in our community!

Anonymous
2/23/2021 06:02 AM

Assist the community in moving past the pandemic. Adjusting to the changes that have and will still occur for people post-pandemic.

Anonymous
2/23/2021 07:26 AM

The broad financial base of Boulder and its value on fitness should provide the opportunity for world class public fitness facilities.

Anonymous
2/23/2021 09:28 AM

Please add more Pickleball lines to existing tennis courts. (Palo Park Courts on 30th street is ideal). Change one existing tennis court to a permanent Pickleball court (2 PB courts from one tennis court) with permanent Pickleball nets.

Anonymous
2/23/2021 09:48 AM

Easy access to affordable programs to promote health & wellness. More/better platform tennis courts, maybe at the EBRC, with lights & possible heaters underneath the courts to melt the snow.

Anonymous
2/23/2021 01:36 PM

Our outdoor spaces are one of the most vital ways (perhaps THE most) vital component for health and wellbeing. Our Parks and Rec make spending time outdoors safe, accessible and welcoming and maintained. I hope Boulder Parks and Rec continues it's EXACT mandate and focus from the 2012 Master Plan.

Anonymous
2/23/2021 06:00 PM

More and better maintained tennis courts to accomodate the boom in interest and participation in this wonderful sport.

Anonymous
2/24/2021 12:09 PM

I hope that a indoor 50m pool can be built, Gunbarrel would be a great location for this!

Anonymous
2/24/2021 12:46 PM

Restore the parking in front of the Boulder Reservoir so the community has access.

Anonymous
2/24/2021 03:06 PM

All elders will have avenues to increase their health and well-being.

Anonymous
2/24/2021 03:18 PM

Continued investment in the pools & Boulder Rez - keeping fee’s reasonable for the general public..

Anonymous
2/25/2021 08:13 AM

One HOPE is that the City of Boulder will not continue its trend of RE-PURPOSING tennis courts for the use of pickle ball.... this diminishes an already limited resource. Most tennis players RESPECT and APPRECIATE pickle ball... but let's get them their own courts!

Anonymous
2/25/2021 08:52 AM

I'd like to see more tennis courts converted to allow pickleball play as well. Dedicated, lighted pickleball courts would meet the needs of more players,

	and the city could host tournaments as a revenue generator.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 10:20 AM	That Boulder continues to serve all segments of our community (locations, offerings, etc.)
Anonymous 2/25/2021 01:35 PM	Make sure we properly maintain existing facilities and judiciously add new ones.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 04:41 PM	I'd like to see Boulder prioritize the safety of facilities while also opening up facilities for more use. Right now, I know there are some restrictions on the use of some of the complex sports locations, which I'd like to see opened up to our kids for their use and not reserved just for adult sports.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 05:09 PM	Physical and mental well-being for a community can open up new opportunities and come up with positive solutions.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 05:32 PM	Boulder prides itself on being one of the fittest and healthiest communities in the US. Let's keep pace with that and build more dedicated pickleball courts, as well as restripe tennis courts.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 09:20 PM	I hope that we can continue to attract young families to Boulder despite the high housing costs so that our city doesn't become a city only for retirees or 20-somethings. We need to ensure our local schools and parks are kept up and thriving.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 03:45 AM	My hope is for Boulder Parks and Recreation to continue providing residents with the services it does today.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 06:23 AM	I hope that sports across all seasons, like paddle tennis, will continue to be supported and developed with additional facility infrastructure.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 07:56 AM	That the disparities brought to light by the pandemic will be addressed.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 08:30 AM	That this will continue to be part of Boulder's lifestyle.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 09:19 AM	Way more pickleball courts needed in Boulder. There is surging demand and never enough courts while the tennis courts are mostly vacant.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 10:07 PM	Better upkeep of A7 baseball fields. Dogs run unleashed on the dirt fields year around, creating deep footprints in the mud that harden and are a significant risk for kids playing baseball. Additionally, we consistently find dog feces littering the outfields. Dogs need to stay off the baseball fields, or at least be on leashes.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 12:01 AM	Improved maintenance of parks, especially baseball

Anonymous 2/27/2021 07:20 AM	We hope the BPR can continue to provide access to modern, clean and affordable facilities for exercising, sports, and family fun.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:01 AM	More human interaction and activities
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:45 AM	Expanded use
Anonymous 2/28/2021 11:10 AM	More family oriented, organized activities.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 02:10 PM	Everyone has access and feels comfortable
Anonymous 2/28/2021 03:32 PM	1) Well planned expansion and maintenance of parks, multi-use pathways and hiking trails. 2) Balanced swimming, fitness and sports opportunities and facilities for the Boulder population of all ages. 3) Expansion of available pickleball courts and accessibility, both indoor and outdoor.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 03:43 PM	Maintain what we do have and build on it
Anonymous 2/28/2021 08:01 PM	Policy and implementation to maximize "Community Health and Wellness" as many Boulderites as possible.

Optional question (161 response(s), 299 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q4 "Community Health and Wellness": What concernsdo you have for the future?

Anonymous 2/02/2021 07:55 AM	Many of our parks have been under a great deal of stress given uptick of meth addicted unhoused transients. the last clean up near the library found over 1,000 needles adjacent to the playground along with hundreds of pounds of other trash, human waste etc. Our children can no longer enjoy these spaces and many in the community no longer feel safe in our parks built for all to enjoy.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 08:45 AM	That competition keeps the timid away
Anonymous 2/03/2021 09:42 AM	Homeless people are bringing in more crime and drugs. If this is not addressed, then, people will stay away and will not support the parks.
Anonymous	Not enough resources. The City has disinvested in parks and recreation

2/03/2021 10:55 AM	services (along with most other human services) over the last 10 years, which I think is a mistake.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:49 PM	Not enough programs and not the right mix of programs to meet community desires.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 01:30 PM	Over-use of trails/parks (high demand) and re-establishing healthy trails (a lot of work needed).
Anonymous 2/03/2021 01:39 PM	N/A
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:35 PM	How the pandemic's economic impact will affect rec center funding.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:37 PM	I am currently concerned with the limited hours available at the rec centers, and restrictions that were implemented last summer on open water swimming (through Boulder Aquatic Masters) at the reservoir. I am deeply concerned that the city has taken a stance against club uses and is not working to be inclusive of all our citizens needs.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:04 PM	With the pandemic and climate change continuously shaping (and reshaping) our daily lives, I hope that current (actually, more like 2019) programming and spaces can still be enjoyed and utilized for generations to come. I know that BPR has had to be flexible and creative in order to serve the community as they always have. I'm concerned that this is already incredibly challenging and will continue to be challenging throughout 2021 and beyond. I hope this flexibility and creativity will continue. I think community support (including City Council) will be key and sustained outreach & engagement opportunities could help with that. Sometimes people don't know what they have till it's gone. Some in our community may not realize how much BPR enhances their lives. I'm concerned that resources will continue to be stretched thin and BPR's mission could be de-prioritized.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:06 PM	None
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:07 PM	well, hopefully with the covid-19 vaccines, we'll soon be achieving the kind of "herd immunity" that will allow us to safely return to in-person activities.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:18 PM	That we complete the North Boulder Library.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:57 PM	City sales revenues are diminished due to COVID and this means that we need to prioritize city services. Honestly, parks and especially recreation services are an amenity when it compared to other city services. I am concerned that the revenues will not be available to maintain and enhance our parks. One thing to add - if I had to prioritize parks versus rec services, I

would cut rec services or increase fees for all but low income residents: there are others in the community that can provide these services.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 05:06 PM

Addressing the homeless/drug/and illegal camping in open space and parks. Reducing our taxes and spending less on affordable housing and homeless services. The city needs to cut their budget by at least 50%. The city is way over funded and staffed, other than the police department which needs more staff. You also need to stop allowing the Fairview high school from using he south boulder rec center pool.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 06:18 PM

Making sure health and wellness are available to all.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 07:12 PM

Boulder city and city council being more interested in being 'politically correct' than being scientific and logical.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 07:17 PM

Tennis community not being heard

Anonymous
2/04/2021 05:41 AM

I’m a bit worried about the continued growth in people not being kept up with the resources the city has. For example eben g fine is so full on the weekends that more people can’t go there, which limits experiences, which is sad.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 05:50 AM

That not enough additional trails are built and blocked by local residents.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 06:17 AM

I worry about the classes may become limited.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 06:48 AM

As our population ages I’m concerned that parks and rec will continue to involve young people but relax on the needs of the aging.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 08:28 AM

In the name of fiscal constraints, we'll close programs that really aren't offered in the same way in private sector.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 08:36 AM

Needles all over, human feces, being harassed etc

Anonymous
2/04/2021 09:19 AM

The amount of trash and homelessness population especially downtown and along the Boulder Creek concerns me. I feel bad these people do not have a home and I really wish Boulder would find a good solution (such as the bubble tent community Denver just built), but as someone who walks their dog by the creek on a weekly basis, I am afraid my dog (or even I) will step on a needle or be assaulted. I look to these places as a safe spot and I no longer feel safe being alone, even during the middle of the day. This sentiment is not only for the creek or downtown area but for other parks that I

	have visited this year.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:42 AM	One main concern is politics/divisiveness getting in the way of the goals for greater good.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 11:43 AM	I used to go to the bandshell when I was a child for concerts--I feel unsafe even walking by there now and the City doesn't seem to be doing anything about it.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 11:50 AM	Getting overcrowded.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 02:26 PM	None
Anonymous 2/04/2021 02:37 PM	Cost. The city prioritizing more expensive less utilized programs that only focus on smaller specific groups.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 07:08 PM	I worry that we do not foster inclusivity and diversity.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:26 PM	Abuse of the parks and facilities by homeless people and transient people. They create an unwelcoming, dirty, and unsafe environment in our parks.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 06:11 AM	More people, crowds making facilities less appealing to use.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 10:37 AM	Financial hits to the city from the pandemic might decrease services, especially to those least able to afford or access those services on their own.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 02:10 PM	The city/county and CDOT allow people to park near 119 to access Eben G Fine Parkl in the summer time. It is very unsafe and an accident waiting to happen. In addition, because there is only 1 trash can in that area (across from Canon Park Rd) people throw their trash on the side of the road, it is unsightly and unhygienic. I have complained to county, city and CDOT and no one wants to take responsibility. If you allow people in an area to recreate, you must plan for trash and bathroom facilities adequately.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 11:03 PM	That the tennis community shall continue to trump a burgeoning population of residents. Hence the reason that I do not support dual purposing of the tennis courts, and support dedicated pickleball courts
Anonymous 2/08/2021 09:25 AM	Older citizens who are not "uber athletes" are overlooked and underserved with city recreation and parks dollars.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 07:42 AM	Fragmentation following the pandemic, isolation of kids and families, building a community identity that transcends your immediate family and job.

Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:07 AM	A larger number of community members who can no longer afford services- this increasingly creeping into what we might consider the middle class. Those who don't qualify for aid and can't afford full prices for charged services.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:41 AM	Obesity in adults, especially in children and other health factors are becoming more of an issue in the nation. We need to put an end to these types of issues that are in our direct control.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 10:25 AM	I worry that the economic gap continues to grow in Boulder, and the wealthy are the ones who are heard from and served right now so we are not hearing about the support underrepresented community members require to maintain their health.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 10:29 AM	Clean water
Anonymous 2/09/2021 01:06 PM	That you will offer only virtual fitness
Anonymous 2/09/2021 04:09 PM	Too many times I have gone to my favorite places, like Coot lake, only to have the place overrun with various runs, races and other events. During the summer I feel like my access is limited due to too many organized activities on open space. This is very disappointing.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:27 PM	Pandemic safety...
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:31 PM	Air quality in fitness spaces
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:44 PM	People tend to become more sedentary, isolated as they age. Parks &Rec offers way to stay healthy and engaged in life
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:38 PM	Health and wellness community becomes a right and access of only the "rich", and misses the richness inherent in a community based love, care and inclusion of all - including First Nations and including plants and animals, air, water and quirky weather.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 09:03 PM	no trails built
Anonymous 2/10/2021 06:16 AM	As Boulder's population ages there will be shift in demand that needs to be taken into account for infrastructure development and maintenance.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:20 AM	to keep the level of use at the rec centers at their current levels so that the indoor areas do not feel crowded

Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:31 AM	That you stick with status quo and don't update your facilities and plans to match current needs
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:34 AM	We will not keep a focus on maintaining and improving current facilities.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:46 AM	That the city of Boulder will be short sighted in terms of long time/long term community benefits of the city.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:50 AM	Costs. Competition from private facilities.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:04 AM	I'm concerned that the cost of living in Boulder will increase to a point that only the very wealthy will be able to enjoy the outdoor lifestyle that Boulder offers.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:38 AM	The Expand program has been greatly cut back during the pandemic. From a staff of 5, they have gone down to a staff of 2. These valuable staffing needs to be rebuilt. The Expand program was having a difficult time keeping up with the demand of popular programs even before the downsizing occurred. Parents had to wait for the enrollment to hit and popular classes filled within the first 30 minutes, leaving many on waitlists.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	this will be a KARIN neighborhood
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:43 AM	Equity
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:48 AM	I am concerned about funding the programs we love and those we dream about. I imagine Covid took a toll on taxes/funding. But we need these programs now more than ever.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:48 AM	That only a subset of Boulder residents participate in health and wellness opportunities and others may feel that since they aren't Olympians they can't take part also. Everyone can and should participate!
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:04 AM	My concern is that Boulder has become overrun with busyness to the extent that our collective health is at risk.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:23 AM	That the visual arts will be dropped, unfunded and/or unsupported by the City of Boulder.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:25 AM	Increased growth in Boulder w/ higher levels of wealthy people make it difficult for less advantaged or savvy people to take advantage of offerings.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:38 PM	

Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:44 PM	Equipment (such as old playgrounds) failing and causing injury. Long-term future of facilities such as the South Rec Center. Community members not having access to amenities due to outsourced programs taking up gym space, tennis courts, etc.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:02 PM	Boulder has grown so fast and lost so many historical, funky, cool places. I fear it's becoming the Carmel or Malibu of the rockies, it's sad as we should not cater to the wealthy.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:44 PM	lack of monetary funds to support our arts and sports venues , events and studios
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:49 PM	Sad during COVID not everyone cares about other community members
Anonymous 2/10/2021 04:09 PM	I worry that our existing health and wellness infrastructure is not accessible or welcoming to ALL members of the community.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:00 PM	That certain underprivileged segments of our community may be shut out due to availability/cost.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 07:44 PM	That access remains limited to privileged folks who know how to sign up quickly.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:34 AM	People staying inside more and more (video games, tv, etc)
Anonymous 2/11/2021 08:23 AM	the stresses of Covid, growth, climate change.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 11:02 AM	Slow to respond management. Bureacracy
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:41 PM	As above, we are losing our best outdoor assets to an invasion of transient campers, and the City of Boulder refuses to seriously stem the problem. This will get worse unless we take significant action to stop tolerating and promoting the behavior.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 03:10 PM	feelings of isolation when not able to be together.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 03:45 PM	I'm concerned that the Park and Rec department will remain so rigid that it doesn't think outside the box in ways in which to use it's various spaces.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:03 PM	The level of use may outstrip facilities and programs.

Anonymous 2/12/2021 10:37 AM	I worry about the sheer # of residents using the parks and facilities - crowded trails, full exercise classes, etc.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 07:41 AM	Post-pandemic: when I go back to South I see mostly old people there (I am 56). South is *next door* to Fairview and Southern Hills. I started a Friday workout routine with our now-15-year old son when he was 13; he and I would meet after school. There should be more young people using our services.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 08:57 AM	none
Anonymous 2/13/2021 10:05 AM	Concerned about isolation of individuals, created by our increased separation due to online work, schooling, and social media. Decreased activity and community because of these reasons.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 07:54 PM	mental health get members involved with others
Anonymous 2/15/2021 10:34 PM	Lack of offerings
Anonymous 2/16/2021 06:38 AM	Not changing with the needs and wants of the community
Anonymous 2/16/2021 08:40 AM	That some parks are under-loved and neglected and that others are over run.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 08:59 AM	Easy to focus on making parks and playgrounds safe and beautiful. Don't neglect some of the treasures - such as pottery lab.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 01:50 PM	That people won't utilize the parks to the extent they could be.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 02:42 PM	The support for our 50+ community is pathetic compared to other communities.
Anonymous 2/17/2021 09:07 AM	Over the past year, there has been a considerable increase in the use of our parks due to the pandemic. At this point, there's not reason to believe that this level of use won't continue. I fear that the safety issues mentioned above will only be exacerbated unless the city reprioritizes some of it's focus. With $16M in backlog repairs and maintenance, widespread layoffs throughout the parks department, and deep budget cuts, it seems increasingly irresponsible to be expanding facilities and programs without address these needs. Our parks are being "loved to death" and we're unable to keep up with the maintenance that this necessitates. Over-time, this has led to the situation

we're seeing throughout the park system: homeless encampments, trail-widening, human and dog waste throughout the city, erosion, asset destruction, vandalism, trash, violence, etc. If the city is trying to be a beacon on the hill for other municipalities to emulate, it's falling far short of it's goals. I'm concerned that with the focus on building new and flashy facilities and expanding public programs we're neglecting a crucial foundation of the park system: the health and wellness of our parks, which it turn promotes the health and wellness of our community.

Anonymous
2/18/2021 01:05 AM

That elders with declining fitness will be left out and I won't be able to park close enough to access our wonderful parks. I no longer go to Sanitas because you can't park behind the old hospital anymore.

Jim Goers
2/19/2021 08:55 AM

Lack of programs for Seniors.

Anonymous
2/19/2021 04:11 PM

I am concerned that the need for money will drive programming rather than ethics and morality and the desires that the public really wants.

Anonymous
2/19/2021 04:18 PM

Too many people and dogs will destroy our parks.

Anonymous
2/19/2021 04:18 PM

N/A

Anonymous
2/20/2021 05:58 AM

That fiscal conservatives will try to pare down the budget.

Anonymous
2/20/2021 08:24 AM

Funding. Too much demand for what we have.

Anonymous
2/20/2021 10:44 PM

That Boulder can't provide the appropriate facilities and programs to match the expectations of its community members. Other towns are building better more suitable facilities to support their communities. Our facilities are dated and not able to provide the level of services and programs that you expect in Boulder.

Anonymous
2/21/2021 07:23 AM

keep access available to ALL

Jean Rosmarin
2/21/2021 08:15 AM

One thing I noticed during the pandemic was the increase in people using the outdoor facilities. There were many moments when I saw families on the tennis courts, young twenties on the volleyball courts and frisbee golf course, older people on the pickleball courts - and I worry that once the tennis leagues start, that we will not have enough facilities for all of these people to just come out on a nice summer evening and play one of these sports together.

Player 2/21/2021 11:15 AM	Burgeoning far right assholes.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 10:52 AM	That it ecosystems and habitat are sacrificed as utilization of parks, in particular, increases.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 01:02 PM	Growth of population out paces funding for parks and rec and continues to be overwhelmed.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 08:50 AM	Community tennis courts are not well maintained. I work in Lakewood and 4 years ago the courts nearest where I work were taken over by the Lakewood Park Tennis Group and the quality of courts and services were provide for a small hourly fee. Please consider creating this at a large 10 court venue that Boulder builds.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 09:53 AM	Maintaining our high level of recreational facilities, volume of programs and activities in Boulder with the increasing competition of the funds from other societal and communal needs.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 12:25 PM	Too many special events, too much traffic and noise, and over availability of alcohol should have no room at our parks.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 02:21 PM	I didn't check the Equity box but I would want to make sure that we carry what we learn about how to provide services equitably across the entire community.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 03:28 PM	That the city and parks system will prioritize financial gain at the expense of nature and environmental partners
Anonymous 2/22/2021 05:10 PM	Exercise and community are key to a healthy and happy town. Too often in Boulder, you see athletes that exercise alone or a sedentary population that talks about exercising but falls into the trap of modern-day convenient living. Growing sports that promote community like Platform Tennis and Pickleball are a great solution to this.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 07:13 PM	Maintain Boulder's reputation for a healthy and active lifestyle because those are the residents we want to attract
Anonymous 2/22/2021 07:26 PM	Covid impacts
Anonymous 2/22/2021 08:13 PM	How to be even more inclusive
Anonymous 2/23/2021 06:02 AM	Post-pandemic there will be changes in how people feel safe recreating. It will be hard to figure these out and be creative in how to continue to support people in their health and wellness, but it will be very important.

Anonymous 2/23/2021 07:26 AM	I have concerns that Boulder residents will take the facilities for granted.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:28 AM	Loss of fitness (especially for older Pickleball players) due to closure of facilities.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:48 AM	That we can meet the changing times, like adding more pickle ball & platform tennis courts around the city.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 01:36 PM	I am concerned that Parks and Rec is beginning to become unduly focused on financial and profit centers at the expense of their core, critical focuses. The Flatirons Golf course already has a purpose and does not need entertainment just to add additional revenue - the Boulder Reservoir already has a health and wellness purpose and does not need and should not have an entertainment component added. This detracts from the community health and wellness of areas such as these.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 06:00 PM	General deterioration/lack of maintenance of existing tennis facilities, dilution of availability of courts due to expansion of pickle ball.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 12:46 PM	I am concerned that closing all but one trail on the North side of the reservoir will create more negative encounters between users.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 03:18 PM	Over investment in programs and under investment in facilities. Reduced collaboration with local non profit entities.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 08:13 AM	One HOPE is that the City of Boulder will not continue its trend of RE-PURPOSING tennis courts for the use of pickle ball.... this diminishes an already limited resource. Most tennis players RESPECT and APPRECIATE pickle ball... but let's get them their own courts!
Anonymous 2/25/2021 08:52 AM	The city must balance many competing needs providing recreational services. Pickleball is growing in popularity and I'd like to see some parity in resources for the sport.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 10:20 AM	That the offerings overextend and the City is not able to maintain high service levels.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 04:41 PM	I'm concerned that the facilities are being used by persons who are suffering from homelessness, which can make it difficult to feel comfortable and safe.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 05:09 PM	I would hope that our underserved populations, which include the homeless, can be offered more help. We need to help them with their mental illnesses and addictions. No one truly chooses to be homeless. We also need to address hunger in our city. Basic necessities must be met before one can go forward.
Anonymous	Seniors have to adapt and change to remain physically active. Many seniors

2/25/2021 05:32 PM

are forced to transition from tennis/racquetball to pickleball.The USA Pickleball Association (USAPA) has found that the sport has seen a 650 percent increase in members since 2013, and as of 2018 had 3.1 million players in the U.S. Sadly, Boulder's Parks and Recreation courts do not reflect this increase. The number of pickleball courts are woefully inadequate (7) to support Boulder's booming pickleball population. The outdated paradigm of tennis being king is still reflected in the disproportionate number of tennis vs. pickleball courts.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 09:20 PM

I'm concerned that Boulder is going to prioritize developing park and rec space instead of preserving our spaces for the use of our community.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 03:45 AM

My concern is a lack of funding may cause Boulder Parks and Recreation to sell off certain assets or to no longer maintain existing assets in the way we have come to expect from Boulder Parks and Recreation.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 06:23 AM

That demand will continue to increase for the facilities, thereby restricting individual access if facility expansion does not occur.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 07:56 AM

Increasing disparity. Focus on competitiveness over health and well being for all.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 08:30 AM

Loss of it... in the vitriol and chaos we have seen as possible, loss of this aspect is concerning for the future.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 10:07 PM

That the leash rules on the baseball fields aren't enforced and the problem becomes worse.

Anonymous
2/27/2021 07:20 AM

It feels like some of the facilities are falling behind our neighboring communities. Before the scott carpenter pool remodel, we would need to travel to adjacent communities for water park fun. We haven't been to Scott Carpenter yet, so hopefully it is fun. That type of remodel/refresh is needed! Similarly, sports field facilities in other communities seem more modern and easier to access, particularly parking.

Anonymous
2/27/2021 10:01 AM

That we will be forced to make hard financial decisions that will impact our ability to keep the parks active and thriving.

Anonymous
2/27/2021 10:45 AM

Need place to practice when alone

Anonymous
2/28/2021 11:10 AM

That the Reservoir will begin having night time events, which are not family events. The Reservoir has always been a close at dark park. Water and darkness to not make good partners.

Anonymous
2/28/2021 02:10 PM

It will cater to only one population

Anonymous 2/28/2021 03:32 PM	Fear over expansion of some activities, especially some "quasi-privately" run ones to a dominating role in allocation of planning and allocation of resources.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 03:43 PM	Financial stability
Anonymous 2/28/2021 08:01 PM	Currently, Parks and Rec is is failing to capitalize on significant "Community Health and Wellness" opportunities in expanding pickleball facilities.

Optional question (140 response(s), 320 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q5 "Taking Care of What We Have": Why is this important?

Anonymous 2/01/2021 03:20 PM	test
Anonymous 2/02/2021 07:55 AM	Many of our parks have been under a great deal of stress given uptick of meth addicted unhoused transients. the last clean up near the library found over 1,000 needles adjacent to the playground along with hundreds of pounds of other trash, human waste etc. Our children can no longer enjoy these spaces and many in the community no longer feel safe in our parks built for all to enjoy.
Anonymous 2/02/2021 01:09 PM	Protecting investments is a very basic but important priority to me. We don't want to start adding on to parks, facilities, and programs without being able to upkeep what we already have.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 08:45 AM	Because boulder has a gorgeous environment and that’s one of the features that makes boulder special
Anonymous 2/03/2021 09:25 AM	Park maintenance has declined dramatically over the years.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 09:42 AM	If you don't maintain what you have, then it's not a viable place for people.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 10:55 AM	The community has made a huge investment in our parks and recreation facilities, and many are deteriorating. A top priority for the city should be catching up on the maintenance backlog and keeping on top of maintenance.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 11:00 AM	I love to play tennis and appreciate the tennis courts located around the City of Boulder. I also love to hike and walk in the parks.
Anonymous	Boulder's growth is more or less flat, so it seems like expansion doesn't make

2/03/2021 12:16 PM	sense
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:45 PM	Example: keep our tennis courts in good condition! Keep dogs out! Our courts are very popular and minimally maintained.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:49 PM	The rec centers are dated and need maintenance - same for many parks. Equipment needs upgrading and the bring the best of what's available to Boulder. Surrounding communities have nicer facilities.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 01:30 PM	Recreation brings a ton of money to a town. But, extrinsically, for many, there is much value in nature and 'wilderness'.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 01:39 PM	We have great parks already. Better to make what we have great than spread too thin
Anonymous 2/03/2021 02:52 PM	Focusing on "what's next" can be more exciting, but to the detriment of the experience of existing assets and programs. To me this is a necessary foundation before looking to "what else can we do".
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:13 PM	Excuse the language but why half ass two things when you can whole ass one thing
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:15 PM	It is important to maintain our parks, as a responsibility to our surroundings and to our community
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:39 PM	We have a lot of high quality resources and I wouldn't want to see them go away.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:04 PM	I have always been a big proponent of “Taking Care of What We Have” and I support this sentiment even more under the circumstances. I think “taking care of what we have” will be a challenge so I would rather resources not be diverted to brand new projects, programming, or places.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:07 PM	the facilities are already beautiful, so let's just take good care of them!
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:17 PM	because maintenance is required on parks
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:56 PM	While Scott Carpenter pool is new, I believe it will require maintenance to keep it as amazing as it currently is. The same with other rec facilities, they are meeting my needs as they are and I'd like them to stay that way, but recognize that with all things time can have a negative impact if resources are not appropriated to ensure proper maintenance. I like the parks we have and don't feel a pressing need for more.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:02 PM	You invested already to create it. Can’t let it go to seed!

Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:06 PM	The city needs to maintain our parks and facilities. You can see by how the city poorly maintains our roads and infrastructure they taking care of what we have is not important to the city. It's important that the police round up all the transients around town and put them in jail.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:11 PM	Trails have suffered from overuse during pandemic. Users are stepping off trail to avoid others leading to slope erosion. There is no data suggesting this reduces spread of COVID or that momentary proximity of masked persons in an outdoor environment is a transmission pathway.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:17 PM	I have lived in Boulder for 33 years and am deeply saddened to watch our lovely parks and civic spaces become tent cities. I commend the police and public health departments for their occasional sweeps of the areas, but this constant activity (the camping and the sweeps) deters our residents and young families from using these spaces that are paid for with tax dollars. These spaces are gems and it should be the city's highest priority to take care of what we have, so these spaces are accessible to EVERYONE and not just the campers.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:47 PM	Many of the infrastructure in place is built to last for a long time if properly maintained without purchasing new wasteful equipment
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:50 PM	We have so much. Let's take care of it and then expand in a way that makes sense.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:12 PM	We have a lot in place in this community from years of tax payer dollars. We need to be faithful stewards.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:40 PM	Boulder has a fantastic infrastructure including the bike path system and some Playgrounds and parks would benefit from a facelift but already provide the community with value
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:43 PM	Adding more to our open space, in particular, without budgeting to sustain our present acquisitions seems backward.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 08:53 PM	Replant destroyed areas . Plant trees with volunteers,Unemployed, Homeless, in concert with County professionals.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 09:00 PM	Boulder has a great foundation and it needs to be maintained (eg scott carpenter pool) in order for the community to benefit
BW 2/03/2021 11:23 PM	It'd be self-defeating to let what we have deteriorate
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:41 AM	Like I said, with more people there's more use and more use means more things wear out, we definitely don't want to destroy the things we already built.you can't have nice spaces if you don't take care of them.

Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:56 AM	We have a solid variety of existing parks and facilities and not maintaining would risk making them undesirable. I think of things like if I were to choose between a currently-in-vogue slack line or a timeless playground swing set, in 50 years, little kids will still be excited about the swing set.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:17 AM	Because Boulder Parks and Rec rule! This is part of the reason we chose to move to this community 20 years ago.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:35 AM	currently the trails I have used for many years have overcrowded parking lots and many more visitors. With more people generally comes more rules, which I don't want. I do want to improve the trailheads so that people don't have to park along roadsides, which destroys the habitat there.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:48 AM	Take care of the existing infrastructure is less expensive than building new
Anonymous 2/04/2021 08:36 AM	We cant afford to pay or builld more if we cant take care of what we have
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:08 AM	Sustainability is the future, not growth.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:19 AM	Boulder has so many great parks and open spaces. With more people living here, they are being "love to death" and you can see signs of this overuse. Boulder needs to figure out a way to maintain the infrastructure they have to accommodate the number of people that use the parks.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:51 AM	We have a beautiful park system. Let's take care of the physical structures first. Let's add addition lands where there is opportunity, but not forget to maintain what we have
Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:03 AM	Existing parks and facilities see a lot of visitors and are important parts of the community. It is important to continue to maintain what we currently have while expanding trails and facilities on existing properties.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:23 AM	because Many trails are a mess. A lot of deferred maintenance has accumulated over the years.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:37 AM	Most cost effective way to deliver existing services.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 11:43 AM	We have a lot of parks, but some of them need more services and we should make repairs. Chautauqua is over-used, but at least has a bathroom. If other parks and trailheads had working bathrooms, people could spread out a little more.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 11:50 AM	Maintaining the trails, preventing erosion.

Anonymous 2/04/2021 12:21 PM	We are stewards of this beautiful city and it’s our duty to preserve and share it with future citizens.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 02:26 PM	We have great amenities - I don't think it's about expansion, it's more about upholding.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 02:37 PM	We have already made these investments and need to ensure their upkeep (as long as they are still viable.)
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:57 PM	We don't need any more if we can't keep up with what we have. Working on homelessness cleanup is all involved in that
Anonymous 2/04/2021 07:12 PM	"More" is not always the best answer, yet is often what people reach for first. We have parks and facilities that need maintenance to remain fully usable, much less to maximize their potential.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 08:35 PM	Because we have a lot of great resources already that need to be maintained- the trail systems, keeping bike path and creek areas and library areas safe from vagrants, etc. let’s make sure we can protect what we have before investing in something else.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:26 PM	I think it's self explanatory. We need to maintain what we have and not let it deteriorate, get abused, or neglected.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:32 PM	America’s greatest asset is it’s natural beauty and open space. I feel it’s critical to human wellness to preserve access to parks. These are frequently the first exposure children have to nature, and that experience can change their life.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 06:11 AM	Keeping people healthy and engaged is ethically the right thing to do and it keeps your community thriving.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 07:03 AM	Open space is still very restrictive to public use. Opening more "Open Space" to the public who owns it, would be my top priority.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 08:17 AM	If we don't fully support the facilities and services we already have and they fall below standards, that is a waste of money first, and then the community won't use them and will also become upset.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 02:10 PM	If you allow people in an area to recreate, you must plan for trash and bathroom facilities adequately.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 02:55 PM	Boulder's parks and open space are the crown jewels of Boulder. we must at least take care of them
Anonymous 2/05/2021 04:49 PM	Increased visitation to public spaces has caused negative impacts, which requires ongoing attention: (1) maintaining trails and other outdoor areas for safety, cleanliness, signage, etc.; (2) restricting access to sensitive

ecosystems and habitats; and (3) patrolling public spaces to ensure compliance of all users.

Anonymous
2/06/2021 10:57 AM

The City does not have funds to replace the substantial investment we have now in in existing parks.

Anonymous
2/06/2021 11:49 AM

excellent recreational facilities and amenities exist, it is important to maintain them through maintenance and repair

Anonymous
2/06/2021 02:11 PM

There is going to be very little opportunity (if any) to change locations of the Rec. Centers or expand them. Same with Scott and Spruce. Same with our Parks. Making sure the facilities we have are top-notch upgraded and well-maintained has to be the foundation from which you build from.

Anonymous
2/07/2021 10:53 AM

Maintaining existing popular, well-used facilities should not be ignored at the expense of new additions

Anonymous
2/08/2021 09:25 AM

Climate change is going to make maintaining green spaces more expensive. We need to preserve our municipal parks as oases of green in the brown landscape. We also need to invest in some xerixcape -- using drought tolerant plantings and newly developed tougher grasses. This will be an investment in durable long-term parks. Our South recreation center needs to be replaced with a larger, more modern facility with a large warm water pool -- such as that built by Louisville and Westminster. The current facility is worn out and behind the times.

Anonymous
2/08/2021 10:01 AM

It is so sad to see parks that have burned grass or unattended gardens. Or broken equipment which is a risk to users

Anonymous
2/08/2021 02:54 PM

Spreading resources too thin only leads to increased issues. Spending money to build more or increase services without taking care of what you have first is irresponsible.

Anonymous
2/08/2021 03:34 PM

we currently have wonderful facilities adn outdoor spaces if we do not make taking care of what we have a priority we will be faced with aging facilities that have a huge maintenance backlog adn potentially become safety risks

Anonymous
2/08/2021 04:13 PM

We're so lucky in Boulder to have our Community Rec Centers and also our out-door pools in the summer. I've been using these facilities for decades and they're always busy and full of people of all ages. Parks and Rec has done a great job of keeping these facilities clean, inviting and up to date. These are the heart and soul of Parks and Rec, in my opinion. My top priority would be to continue to invest in these facilities and the programs associated with them.

Anonymous
2/08/2021 07:44 PM

We have three wonderful, public recreation centers that many communities in the Eastern US and Midwest do not have. You have to join a private club which does not seem equitable nor foster community health and engagement.

Anonymous 2/08/2021 11:05 PM	SBRC and Harlow Platt Park have been forgotten to cater to all the yuppies that have moved to North Boulder.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 10:28 AM	Keeping up with the quality level of other communities
Anonymous 2/09/2021 12:24 PM	The City should protect the taxpayers' prior investments and prioritize maintenance of what's here rather than construction/acquisition of something new.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 01:06 PM	Keeping the facilities up and running
Anonymous 2/09/2021 01:25 PM	It's more financially responsible to improve and update than build from scratch.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:00 PM	Support more Pickleball Courts.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:36 PM	as long as it's still valued we should maintain it
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:42 PM	For example, Parks and Rec leases the Pottery Lab to Studio Arts Boulder. The Pottery Lab is a beloved institution ably run by Studio Arts Boulder. Parks and Rec should SUPPORT Studio Arts Boulder and subsidize its operation of the Pottery Lab for the benefit of Boulder citizens.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:55 PM	Great effort, planning, dinero has gone into creating what we have. Seems important to continue the care of what exists,
Anonymous 2/09/2021 04:09 PM	The climate is changing and the economy is distressed. We need to focus on making sure what we have is well taken care of for now in the future. Not building, buying and expanding every option for recreation.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 04:47 PM	The Expand program was one of the best in the country. With forced retirements and people being squeezed out there is not near the leaders and coaches there had been. Our IDD population already underserved has lost an incredibly valuable program.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:02 PM	If we don't, then it will cost more in the future
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:04 PM	We have courts, field lines, etc if we keep in good shape they will be around longer
Anonymous 2/10/2021 06:16 AM	This is a common problem, world wide: Somehow money is found to create a nice new thing, but no money is allocated to maintain it. The result is a very sad thing: A monument to government failure.

Anonymous 2/10/2021 07:54 AM	The increase demand on the City of Boulder's parks has increased at least 10 fold over the past 15 years. I would recommend that we charge people who don't live in Boulder a service fee to use the parks that those of us who live in Boulder pay for'
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:20 AM	As building age, upkeep is important to maintain its clean and useable areas
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:25 AM	I love Boulder for what it is, and I'd hate to lose cherished landmarks/opportunities.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:28 AM	Boulder's rec centers are great. Not much more is needed, they should be kept functional.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:34 AM	It's easy to get distracted by a shiny new idea, but we have a wealth of current park and rec assets that will serve us well if we care for, maintain, and upgrade them. The significant expansion of Scott Carpenter Pool is a thrilling improvement of a current asset.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:39 AM	Would not want to lose the Pottery Lab or classes already offered there or at the rec centers. The support of BMOCA is also important.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:42 AM	We should optimize on what we have first before making overtly ambitious new goals.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:45 AM	Budgeting enough funds to keep parks in good working condition is important.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:46 AM	If we do not protect and support what we now have, what hope is there is there in the future to be able to bring those programs back.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:48 AM	I value the recreation opportunities we have (centers), as well as the Pottery Lab, and our wonderful parks. I think there should be investment in repair and maintenance.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:50 AM	We have one of the greatest park and rec systems in the US. It is worth taking care of.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:55 AM	The things that we have can last a long time so far as there is funding to maintain the facilities and spaces. To me, it is important for us not to get distracted by the shiny, new thing, but instead preserve what we have already invested in.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:56 AM	The Pottery Lab is an iconic art studio that is important to this ocmmunity.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:03 AM	Because what we have is awesome and can be even better, and if it’s well taken care of it provides resilience in case of hard times.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:04 AM

We simply don't have any ground to loose. Boulder has a reputation for being a very healthy and active community. However, it doesn't always live up to that reputation. Access to trails is becoming more limited by overcrowding and parks (Eben G. Fine and Scott Carpenter Park, for example) are becoming more like vagrant camps than parks.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:06 AM

Rather than expanding too much, I'd prefer to see the arks we do have improved and minimally expanded, where needed.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:10 AM

our parks and rec centers and open space are some of Boulder's most valuable assets!

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:10 AM

We are blessed with extraordinary facilities and land. Hopefully usage will continue to grow as in the last year. There are many costs to fund that growth. Aggressively plan for them. Maintenance forward rather than fixing up the damage.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:14 AM

There are few places like Boulder in the world, so it is attracting more and more people. As that happens, we risk overrunning the things that make our incredible town unique (festivals, open spaces, celebration of food and art), with mundane, soul-less, generic establishments that strip Boulder of all that makes it what it is. We need to protect Boulder's escense.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:16 AM

There are so many existing programs, like the pottery lab, that are a viable part if our community.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:32 AM

P&R has a tremendous investment in spaces, facilities, programs, and goodwill. These must not be allowed to deteriorate.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:32 AM

We have some wonderful facilities in the city of boulder, the 3 recreation centers, senior centers, pottery lab, parks, bike park, and so on. ensuring that the monies and resources and programs that people so heavily enjoy/use is important as to not waste what we have

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:38 AM

The Rec Center offers programs that are supportive of my husband and my health, our friends and our special need daughter. The Expand program is for people with disabilities, like Sophia (now 26 years old). There is no other program like Expand in Louisville, Lafayette, Longmont or Westminister. People come from all these areas to participate in the valuable program which offers physical, social and cognitive programs to the disabled. Sophia has personally enjoyed their Basketball league, Swim program and Ski program for years. She also participates in their monthly dances, their reading programs and many other activities. It's become like a second home for her.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:39 AM

I find that maintenance of existing public parks and facilities is important to ensure longevity in the things we already have access to. It is important to me that parks/trails/etc continue to be maintained so that generations to

	come can utilize these as well!
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	I love Scott Carpenter and EBCC for swimming, and walking the dog in parks, so keeping these facilities and city parks open and safe is important to me
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	I do not want our assets falling into disrepair. Some assets, like playground features, have a high price tag for repair/replacement that our operating budget cannot absorb
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:43 AM	Infrastructure and investment in the great programs and facilities we already have
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:48 AM	We have amazing facilities that see increased use year over year. As a result, a focus needs to be on caring for existing facilities.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:49 AM	It seems common sense. If you don't take care of what you have, then pretty soon you won't have it any more. And, a stich in time saves 9. Or an ounce or prevention is worth a pound of cure.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:04 AM	Taking care of what Boulder has is important because Boulderites live among a physical environment that is worth saving in the face of relentless development.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:23 AM	If it works, don't break it. I have been associated with the Pottery Lab since 1972 when I came here to go to graduate school in Ceramics at CU Boulder. I am no longer associated with CUBoulder, but I still have connections (through guest teaching and firings) with the Pottery Lab at 1010 Aurora. Children that I taught in the early 70s have sent their children to the Lab to take classes. The Pottery Lab is a well loved institution with a depth of history in Boulder.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:41 AM	Our historic firestation has been the home of the pottery lab for over 50 years and it needs continue to be utilized and appreciated.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:49 AM	As facilities and resources deteriorate, we need to repair and improve them.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:01 PM	I think what exists is great. Need to support the programs we already have.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:38 PM	
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:44 PM	Increasing costs for repairs/new builds, would get pushed to the user.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:02 PM	We must renovate and maintain historical places, this is what makes Boulder so special. The Pottery Lab is such a place; I cannot imagine it ever going

	away.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:39 PM	sustain and support the Boulder Pottery Lab and Studio Arts Boulder
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:44 PM	to not loose what we have already in place in terms of parks and rec, arts and culture
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:50 PM	To avoid waste on new programs while old ones may need more help to continue.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:58 PM	Preservation of historic architecture and the park lands we have both matter a lot to preserve the positive quality of life in Boulder.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:20 PM	We have to start where we are- before we stretch anywhere else- make sure we are caring for what we have.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:23 PM	Sustain Boulder’s infrastructure, offering (parks and rec), and be flood ready
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:27 PM	This community has made a sizable investment over the years. This investment needs to be protected.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:44 PM	The pottery lab is a wonderful place where people of all ages can come together to learn and grow.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:37 PM	A community where the "old" parks are falling apart but the "new" are sparkly and new is inherently short sighted and inequitable. I'm having trouble avoiding just saying "duh...this is obvious"
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:49 PM	We need to maintain what we already have because it is partly what makes Boulder wonderful
Anonymous 2/10/2021 04:09 PM	I think Boulder already does an amazing job of providing a wide range of recreation options, many of which are well maintained and state-of-the art. It is what I value most about living here, and so I feel it is important that resources not be turned away from these amazing assets so that we can maintain what makes Boulder special.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:00 PM	I know you outsource the Pottery Lab, so this may not apply --- But the firehouse on the hill is in epic lab and an amazing resource. I miss it a lot and gave an unglazed pot sitting on my shelf at home. :-(
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:00 PM	We have world-class facilities. It would be a shame to lose them to neglect and much more expensive to replace them.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:27 PM	Taking care of what we have and utilize what we have. Ifs folks are actively using classes, rec, etc this shows current community value/ preferences.

Anonymous 2/10/2021 06:56 PM	Boulder OSMP is absolutely incredible as is, and if it stayed in its current state forever I'd be happy
Anonymous 2/10/2021 07:29 PM	We need to make sure what we already have stabilized survives and grows
Anonymous 2/10/2021 07:44 PM	I am thinking of the pottery lab. This is practically a Boulder Heritage Sight, it needs to continue and be supported. Not all people recreate physically, I have seen access to less served individuals (disabled, elderly, youth and elderly combined, etc.) in this vital and precious resource.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:14 PM	because why build new when you have things in place already that could just use improvement and implementation. Reduce, Recycle, Reuse
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:37 PM	Boulder has many existing, quality outdoor and indoor recreation spaces that need to be maintained in order to continue to be usable.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:19 AM	The pottery lab, AKA Studio Arts Boulder, is important to encourage the artistic side of a person for emotional well being in these trying times. Studio Arts Boulder fosters friendship and community spirit with the many outreach programs it provides to the underprivileged population.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 06:23 AM	Continued improvement of facilities and parks.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:07 AM	Boulder has quite a nice parks and rec system. Keeping it at a high quality should be a priority.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:50 AM	Parks and Rec still have an interest in providing for the Pottery Lab by renewing their lease to the old fire station. Although Boulder is a sports oriented community it has an obligation to support arts and culture. I use the rec centers and the Pottery Lab. They are not mutually exclusive
Anonymous 2/11/2021 08:23 AM	Parks age, climate is changing and our understanding of needs from nature is growing. Be for all ages, welcome wildlife add shade wjerever possible.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 08:23 AM	Boulder is blessed with incredible natural beauty and we have prioritized open spaces and parks thru taxation. We need to protect and maintain what we have and educate our citizens and visitors to love it and be good stewards.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 09:18 AM	The Natural Lands team has three fulltime staff members and one seasonal crew member that conduct a variety of integrated pest management, wildlife, and open space maintenance in all park zones and roughly 22 parks annually. This total does not include the roughly nine other Natural Land specific properties that we also conduct work on such as Area III, Little Dry Creek, and Aeromodel. Even though our team conducts work across the city

	in a variety of city parks, our team and work remain unknown, different, and undervalued. We have heard many times that “I never know what you guys do,” including from our director. We feel extremely removed from the department. For one, our team is not even listed on the main Parks and Recreation website, but other smaller and similar teams (such as Forestry) have a page. Even our specific work is so unknown that the very video promoting this master plan update has a blatant error. The video states “we are continuing our 18-year tradition of no pesticides or herbicides,” yet IPM makes up over 40% of our Natural Lands work plan and we share herbicides with the Forestry team who also use them to treat stumps. Because our team and work are unfamiliar, our needs are not met, and our properties are the lowest priority of the department. The properties that we manage are forgotten, underfunded, overused, and in need of major repair. In 2020, the six trail counters we have installed at the North Shore and Coot Lake received 840,000 detections. In the next one to two years, I believe that this number will surpass one million detections. The properties and infrastructure in their current state cannot handle this level of visitation. If the department continues to prioritize other projects over the major maintenance needs that must occur at Coot Lake and the North Shore, I am afraid that the area will experience serious resource and infrastructure degradation.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 09:51 AM	to maintain current facilities and structures. Upkeep and provide enhancements as things age.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 11:02 AM	Current facilities could have much higher utilization rates. City competes es with private health clubs
Anonymous 2/11/2021 11:43 AM	Facilities need additional maintenance as they age. It is foolhardy to expand services or facilities without maintaining those that are existing.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:26 PM	Please continue the EXPAND program. It is a vital social foundation for many people with I/DD. The programming addresses the social and recreational needs of those with developmental disabilities.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:41 PM	See comments above re preserving the world class, unique asset of the Boulder Creek Path and surrounding parks. And yet we are surrendering it to transient campers from outside of Boulder. If we lose the Creek as a usable community asset, no other P&R program will make any difference.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 02:28 PM	Yes, I'd like more parks and less GOOGLE lodging, but ain't gonna happen, so let's really focus on making every park and open space clean, safe and enhanced with plants and trees and path designations.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 03:10 PM	The City has wonderful facilities and equipment. Before the shutdown I never realized the investment that was done to make this available. To personally try to get equipment (I took for granted) would take a lot of $.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 03:45 PM	So that Boulder's prime, and less prime, recreational areas continue to be world-class, and something we can all be proud of; i.e. quality over quantity.

Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:20 PM	We aspire to be world class city/town -- we should have world class up to date facilities that are up to date and not run down.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 06:52 PM	we have an amazing system now but if we dont maintain/evolve the parks and community programs it will suffer. dont neglect what is great looking for new next thing
Anonymous 2/12/2021 04:31 AM	Taking care of what we have is the foundation. We must be good stewards of the space in which we are lucky enough to find ourselves.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 08:43 AM	Otherwise everything runs down
Anonymous 2/12/2021 10:37 AM	Boulder has invested a lot in open space, parks, etc. I would hate to cut back in any way on maintenance of what we have to move to the "next shiny new thing"
Anonymous 2/12/2021 12:04 PM	It is easy to spread oneself too thin and let facilities degrade — ie. Scott Carpenter Pool.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 08:57 AM	We have great open space and parks already. Let's improve them, especially Valmont Park.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 12:43 PM	Are parks are being loved to death. We need the resources to pick up trash/litter, maintain trails and stream sides and monitor/remove invasive species.
Anonymous 2/14/2021 06:45 AM	Use what you have. Expand hours. Open outdoor pools 9 months a year. Update equipment in gyms. Fix hot tubs and hot water at south and est
Anonymous 2/14/2021 12:39 PM	long time Boulder institutions, such as the Boulder Pottery Lab on Aurora, have really struggled during the pandemic---it and other organizations like it, and the city's rec centers, need to be able to continue to operate post pandemic. These orgs were the foundation of community life pre pandemic and will provide a strong base for growth post pandemic. It's criminal to start new programs without being able to create and care for existing ones.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 02:04 PM	Boulder has a solid structure of parks and rec facilities and activities, they should be maintained and improved.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 02:12 PM	Because maintenance of facilities makes them more appealing and last longer.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 06:38 AM	Some parks need an update
Anonymous	We do not want to squander the cumulative investment the community has

2/16/2021 08:40 AM	made.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 08:59 AM	There are some wonderful facilities with rich heritage. Don't lose them. They will never come back.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 01:50 PM	Our company as a whole likes to take care of the people we have, so it is a value of ours.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 02:42 PM	Maintenance of current recreational facilities is important. More gym space should be offered and less classes. This is offered by plenty of private clubs. Pools, Gyms and outdoor fields/courts should be priorities
Anonymous 2/17/2021 09:07 AM	If anything, this past year has demonstrated that our parks are more important than ever before. We already have a robust and vibrant park system, but this increased usage by the public has stressed many parks and facilities. It's discouraging to see human excrement on the sides of trails, dog feces in our natural areas, drug paraphernalia on park benches, vandalism on our signs. We simply don't have the resources to keep up with these problems, and as these issues go unaddressed (or inadequately addressed), they compound over time. There's a $16M backlog in maintenance and repairs needed on existing facilities. The longer these repairs go undone, the more expensive they become.
Anonymous 2/17/2021 03:18 PM	We have a good foundation, it works, people count on it and they are important values of the community.
Anonymous 2/17/2021 03:54 PM	Continuity. Connecting the past with the present with the future. Rather than revamp everything with the whims of "new", keep some of the older parks around, memories are connected to them. Parks and facilities are more than just grass and buildings, they tie people old and new to an area, young and old together. Stories are tied to these places.
Anonymous 2/18/2021 01:05 AM	They’re part of our identity. I drive past N Boulder Park and remember when the Red Zinger bike race was there, for example. Citizens’ memories are tied to our wonderful parks and public spaces and help “keep Boulder Boulder.”
Marja Duggan 2/19/2021 07:12 AM	Keeping the open space for recreation. Dog walking, jogging.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 08:16 AM	It’s clear that City of Boulder has been insanely seeking more new housing at the expense of existing retail and more. There is no clear plan to add more parks as we add more housing so we must...must improve the parks and open space that already exist.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 08:53 AM	If we don't care, there won't be much left.
Jim Goers 2/19/2021 08:55 AM	With COVID, support more activities for active Seniors, Pickleball is the fastest growing sport for Seniors....need more outdoor courts.

Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:00 AM	First off, I believe the choice of themes here is reductive. Where's the theme for "adding to and improving on what we have"? Combine the fact that Boulder has a very physical population that's only getting more so, and the fact of constantly increasing growth on the Front Range, and it becomes clear that simply taking care of what we have won't cut it. How about growing in step with the population you serve? Just saying...
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:03 AM	Have the funding necessary to keep current assets at is best. I think it is important for the safety of our community to keep playgrounds safe, and current grass, buildings in good shape. This includes administration buildings, etc.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:26 AM	Important to maintain our existing assets in a fairly built out city. More financially feasible to conduct regular maintenance and enhancements than to build from the ground up.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 12:36 PM	From a moral responsibility and from the standpoint of financial prudence it makes sense to take care of what we have.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 02:21 PM	A lot of the parks seem run down and have room for improvement. It would be great to incorporate better programming, culture and arts in the parks that we have. It would also be great to actually feel like a current park in Boulder is safe, but right now I can't name one I'd classify as such because of the homeless population. I'm a native and this has been something I even remember as a child. Look to Denver as a model. They are thriving centers for the community for sports, music and children. As someone who has lived close to a Denver park I can attest to the previous statement. I haven't ever felt threatened in a Denver park the way I have Boulder.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:18 PM	Especially important to preserve and keep from degrading our undeveloped public lands.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 05:58 AM	We have some great facilities, but they aren’t all maintained. Many of the court surfaces are cracked and in disrepair.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 07:00 AM	Boulder has beautiful parks and they are well used by the community. They are a huge community asset.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 02:56 PM	I have loved the foothills environment west of Boulder for many years and see it as a resource that is struggling with overuse and accompanying vandalism, so would like to see more control on its maintenance.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:29 PM	increasing stress on Paraks and Rec centers is a fact of life. Better to use resources to maintain the high quality of each.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 08:48 PM	If we don't take care of what we have, we have wasted our money developing what we have in place. Perhaps we decide some part of what we have is no longer serving our needs - that is fine, and we should replace it

with something that is more relevant.

Anonymous
2/20/2021 10:21 PM

We have public tennis courts in town that need to be maintained. Now that we are all trying to get out more and many of us don't have enough work perhaps we are all competing for the same courts in town. We have all made life long friendships on these public tennis courts and we need them to be available year round. We could use an indoor public tennis facility that is not controlled by the city tennis coach Gonzo but open to all on a first come first serve basis. Tennis is a sport you can play all of your life but we NEED a public indoor facility. Please consider putting a bubble on some existing tennis courts or commandeer a new venue for indoor public tennis.

Anonymous
2/21/2021 07:23 AM

We have tennis courts that need better maintenance. They are outside and being used by more and more people. hard for you to keep track of numbers since they are "free and open 24 7. That is GREAT!

Jean Rosmarin
2/21/2021 08:15 AM

We do have nice facilities that need to be maintained - we are falling behind other neighboring communities in our care of our tennis courts.

Anonymous
2/21/2021 09:19 AM

Existing facilities that are run down will not be used.

Anonymous
2/21/2021 01:37 PM

We have tennis courts but most are in poor condition and there are not enough courts for the amount of people wanting to play. We need to fix the courts.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 09:53 AM

Sometimes frequented programs and amenities we have had for many years can be lost or neglected when money and effort can be lured away with "new". The participants and activity you gain by creating new programs and facilities will be lost if efforts and budgets don't maintain that same initial quality.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 11:40 AM

Because we have some really nice parks and I would prioritize keeping them up over creating new ones.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 12:25 PM

In view of climate change, development, more population and more traffic, it is important to maintain and protect what we have. Natural habitat needs to be protected. Places for residents and users of parks to go for quiet, community and being with nature.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 05:10 PM

Speaking from my direct experience, where I worked with the Parks and Rec dept and the staff at the North Boulder Rec Center to upgrade the lights on the Platform tennis courts, I have noticed that the sport is flourishing since then. People want quality facilities that are consistently maintained. In the case of the NBRC Platform Tennis lights, we actually paid for the new lights and installation by raising the money from Boulder Paddle League players as a gift to the city. And we were happy to do it as it has improved the experience for ALL those that play on the courts. We just hope that there is budgeting being committed for upcoming maintenance that the courts will need (ie. new screens in the next few years). A friend of mine, Brock

	Borman, has donated a tremendous amount of time to help keep the courts maintained as he has experience installing and maintaining platform courts. There are also a few others including myself who have donated many hours to those courts. However, we should not rely on the individual goodwill of our citizens to keep our public facilities maintained.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 07:13 PM	Lots of growth around Boulder so the need for parks, recreation facilities, etc. becomes even more important
Anonymous 2/23/2021 07:26 AM	We have great tennis and paddle courts. Let's not fail to maintain them.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:20 AM	We need to properly maintain, improve and manage existing resources
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:28 AM	Fiscal responsibility in taking care of what we have. It is better to have well run, well maintained facilities and parks than have too many that are not taken care of properly.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:32 AM	It costs a lot more to build from scratch than to update and maintain.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:48 AM	The platform courts at NBRC are wonderful, finally got good/better lights. Need at least 2 more in the city possibly at EBRC. The existing courts at nbrc need work, please budget accordingly so that they can be maintened properly regularily.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 10:16 AM	Outdoor activities are key in Boulder. Sports that all ages can play like Platform Tennis are important to support.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 06:00 PM	Why have it if you don't take care of it?
Anonymous 2/24/2021 08:26 AM	It is important to keep the parks and assets that we have in good condition to provide safe and inviting places for everyone to recreate. Whether it is a play ground, an athletic field, or a natural area, we should be keeping these assets in the best shape we can.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 02:16 PM	Increased population in the front range and in Boulder will lead to increased use and stress on the outdoor parks and indoor facilities.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 03:06 PM	We have great facilities, but they must be maintained. I'd rather take care of what we have rather than building more.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 03:18 PM	The scott carpenter refresh is a great example of taking care of what we have.
Anonymous	we have terrific existing parks and facilities that are in need of updates and

2/25/2021 07:00 AM

maintenance if they are going to be expected to last long term.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 08:13 AM

One HOPE is that the City of Boulder will not continue its trend of RE-PURPOSING tennis courts for the use of pickle ball.... this diminishes an already limited resource. Most tennis players RESPECT and APPRECIATE pickle ball... but let's get them their own courts!

Anonymous
2/25/2021 09:16 AM

We have it...already.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 12:16 PM

Many of the park facilities in town are not well maintained. While prime complexes like Stazio and Mapleton are pristine, the other fields in the area are in disrepair. Trash, worn down equipment, poor field conditions in addition to being overrun by homeless populations.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 01:35 PM

We can't afford to let our facilities get run down and dilapidated. This will tarnish Boulder's reputation and also pose a risk of legal liability.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 02:27 PM

All the baseball fields need updates. It would be great if our field could be updated to allow for tournament hosting.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 05:09 PM

We have a lot here in Boulder. I grew up in a town with no recreation center, and this city has three! I have seen important buildings and an entire community life disappear because of fiscal problems. Do not over reach and lose the facilities and parks we have.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 09:20 PM

Let's preserve and maintain our spaces - parks, playgrounds, ball fields . We use these spaces. Let's not let transients and drug users foul our public spaces and creeks. We citizens want to reclaim our public spaces as safe, clean spaces for our use.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 09:30 PM

We have a great park system, but it is not created equal. Some parks and facilities have a lot of investment, and others do not. We need to take care of the whole system.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 03:45 AM

Without the parks maintained by Boulder, the city becomes a less desirable place to live.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 05:04 AM

We have aging sports facilities for children (with the exception of the Pleasant View Soccer complex, which is wonderful). Iris fields, North Boulder park are in serious need of upgrades. We have beautiful potential fields that are limping along. Our kids sports facilities are terrible compared to neighboring towns.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 06:23 AM

Maintaining the existing paddle tennis courts is critical since there are only 2.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 08:30 AM

So the public can continue to access and enjoy while maintaining the beauty of parks and open spaces as well as facilities.

Anonymous 2/26/2021 09:19 AM	Maintain and improve our existing facilities and then enhance and expand where possible.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 09:43 AM	There is a great system in Boulder and it should be maintained to benefit all in Boulder.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 10:58 AM	We have a good park system that is currently often overrun with garbage from the large transient population. Clearly they need help, but finding needles on kids playgrounds is not ideal.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 11:19 AM	Na
Janet 2/26/2021 02:48 PM	Boulder has a lot in place. The investment in these areas need to be maintained
Anonymous 2/26/2021 09:07 PM	There are 2 tennis courts in complete disrepair on the corner of 30th and Colorado. Completely unusual event and an eye sore. Please help.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 10:07 PM	Our family and many others rely on parks and baseball facilities for much of our outdoor activities
Amy Dodd 2/27/2021 08:15 AM	Many tennis courts in our community have huge cracks & are almost unplayable. There are children who use them plus adults for league play & casual play for social time, exercise & fun.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 07:20 AM	We have decent facilities, but we must take care of them, maintain them, and refresh them.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:01 AM	We have a great parks system for a city of our size, and maintaining these systems is important to our citizens.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:30 AM	It’s currently wasting and under managed. We waste too much money on trying to get more land through open space.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 09:51 AM	Some baseball facilities are run down - sprinklers systems don't work well (broken lines or aren't run enough during the hot season), weeds growing along fence line aren't mitigated, poor dugout shelter, dilapidated clubhouse/storage/snack shack.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 02:47 PM	To keep expenses down by needing to purchase new equipment/facilites that have not been mentained.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 03:43 PM	We have a great parks and rec department

Anonymous 2/28/2021 03:44 PM	We all need to take care of what we already have before we lust after more and more.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 05:57 PM	Many of the outdoor and indoor facilities need repair (tennis courts), improvement (markings for Pickleball). Let's fix what we have and set up a long term plan for maintenance and repair.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 08:01 PM	"Taking Care of What We Have" means not just maintenance, but also efficient utilization. Boulders facilities are highly used, in some cases they suffer from over-use.

Optional question (242 response(s), 218 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q6 "Taking Care of What We Have": What hopesdo you have for the future?

Anonymous 2/02/2021 07:55 AM	I hope we have clean parks that are well maintained and free from trash, meth needles and other hazardous waste and that our City has the courage to address it.
Anonymous 2/02/2021 01:09 PM	That COVID hasn't interrupted the P and R budget too much that we are at a low level in this regards.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 08:45 AM	That we can keep the wild parks wild
Anonymous 2/03/2021 09:25 AM	That encampments would be removed and homeless connected to services more quickly. After many years in Boulder, we've stopped using parks because of crime, waste and illegal activities. For example, a friend's first visit to Foothills Community Park for a short run resulted in her car window being smashed and purse being stolen. We also would like to see trash receptacles put back in parks where they were removed, even the mini parks. Dog walkers are putting their waste in private trash cans or just leaving in peoples yards and many people object to that.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 09:42 AM	I would like to see more trash and recycling cans in the parks. Also, I would like to see more Boulder creek trash removal.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 10:55 AM	Facilities and grounds that are consistently well-maintained.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 11:00 AM	Even more tennis courts!
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:16 PM	Being able to maintain youth programs. Ideally, I would love some of our youth programs to be as good as private clubs so more low income youth are

	able to participate in high school sports
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:45 PM	Covered tennis courts for winter and very hot weather days that seniors can afford to play on!
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:49 PM	Upgrading of facilities and building new facilities comparable for what is in surrounding communities. Not let the homeless destroy parks.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 01:30 PM	I would like to see more preservation/conservation efforts vs. outfitting (adding artificial features) nature areas within the Boulder area.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 01:39 PM	Great parks
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:13 PM	I'd like to see what exists be developed and realized to its fullest potential. Let's make what we have the best it can be
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:15 PM	I am hopeful that the management of our parks will protect our ecology, as well as create more accessible trails, and a more connected park system
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:39 PM	Investments in parks, e.g. bathroom facilities. New ways to utilize spaces.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:01 PM	Add platform tennis court deck heaters at NBRC.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:04 PM	Literally just this — that we can take care of what we have. That includes everything from basic maintenance to accessibility.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:07 PM	that we continue to take good care of them, and once that is achieved consider adding additional facilities/parks, etc.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:17 PM	create more shade (coolaroos/shade triangles)? adding more facilities - e.g. ping pong tables
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:56 PM	I hope that by taking care of what we have, our system will be resilient in the years to come and won't be spread too thin.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:02 PM	Work to minimize trail erosion, outreach to educate people on the damage caused by “short cutting” and social trails.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:06 PM	I hope the city with start taking care of what we have. Boulder is one of the best places in the world and the city needs to realize that.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:11 PM	Restoration of existing trail network. Improve fire mitigation efforts including controlled burns. There are areas still choked by down trees from the 2013

	flood
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:17 PM	My hope is to have these parks and public spaces be a SAFE and CLEAN environment so young families again feel safe for their children to run and play without fear of needles or human waste.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:47 PM	Less spend on new equipment and more focus on maintaining and reusing existing equipment
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:50 PM	That we can accommodate more cars at trailheads to take into account increased usage.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:12 PM	Boulder city and city council stands behind the sacrifices of past Boulderites.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:40 PM	More splash pads and pools for summer play added to the already great parks around boulder
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:43 PM	A steady focus on on keeping our beautiful environment healthy and working for everybody...
Anonymous 2/03/2021 08:53 PM	Use existing Parks to SEPARATE Bikers and Hikers! It is more and more dangerous to hike in Nature. Bikers and Hikers would love it!
Anonymous 2/03/2021 09:00 PM	That various facilities are safe and there for the community to use.
BW 2/03/2021 11:23 PM	My future is 20 years max. I hope for well-maintained and staffed, functioning facilities.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:56 AM	I hope that we take a look at the quality of the lakes in local parks, to reverse the algae problem, that we can maintain our buildings and retrofit them with new efficient technologies.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:17 AM	I hope we can continue with the great programming.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:35 AM	Larger, better organized parking lots at 'overcrowded' trailheads. More frequent filling of dog poop bag supply as well as composting cans. Perhaps better marking of current rules and regulations, as there seems to be an upswing in people breaking them, either intentionally or out of lack of knowledge .
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:48 AM	Our facilities will last for years to come.
Anonymous	See comments above about places people are afe

2/04/2021 08:36 AM

Anonymous
2/04/2021 09:08 AM

Less people moving here, better care and maintenance of existing parks and trails.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 09:19 AM

See my reasoning below, but Coot Lake needs A LOT (and I mean A LOT!!) of TLC. I hope the department can take care of this park soon because it is so sad to see the condition it is in.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 09:51 AM

A well maintained park system with convenient access to Boulder citizens

Anonymous
2/04/2021 10:03 AM

I hope to see management plans of what we currently have updated so that there are more multi-use and purpose built trails; similar to what we are seeing done in other cities and open space areas around the state and country.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 10:23 AM

Trails that are maintained. Better education of users to keep trails nice.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 10:37 AM

We are happy with current offerings.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 11:43 AM

I'd like to see bathrooms at trailheads, better maps, playground improvements, more detailed information coming from the City (e.g. how much long is the Chautauqua playground rehab going to take?!). Also, how about more water and erosion control (e.g. a bioswale/nature trail on the south 1/3 of North Boulder Park could prevent having to deal with soggy/unusable grass and flooding).

Anonymous
2/04/2021 11:50 AM

No trash and dog poop left behind on the trails.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 12:21 PM

The future is here. I hope we can find a way to share this gift.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 02:26 PM

Keep the parks looking nice, keep them accesible

Anonymous
2/04/2021 02:37 PM

That the city does not waste money on programs that only serve targeted groups. That the city will identify parts of the parks and facilities that are not working or not utilized and eliminating those parts.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 06:57 PM

Making our parks more diverse and able to accomodate everyone safely at all hours visited

Anonymous
2/04/2021 07:12 PM

Less focus on new facilities and activities for elite athletes, more on what we have now -- the neighborhood rec centers and parks, for example.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 08:35 PM

Getting rid of the birds at Viele lake park - the grass areas are unusable, disgusting smears on sidewalks (which I will say that the city does a pretty good job at clearing at least). The pond is full of scum, I'm guessing from the concentration of goose poop. It would be so nice if people could kayak on the lake. Other cities use cannons / scaring devices, can we do something? I loved loved the goats eating the noxious weeds (why did they not come back this summer when they restarted, they went to other cities?); maybe the guard llamas could scare the geese away.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 10:26 PM

Continued maintenance and improvement. For example, the Spruce Pool is really dated and doesn't have enough shallow area for young kids. We need pools with wade-in areas, splash pads like the new Scott Carpenter pool that was built and never fully opened (very frustrated by that), and more slides like the Broomfield water park.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 10:32 PM

That we preserve what we have for our grandchildren's grandchildren.

Anonymous
2/05/2021 06:11 AM

Expanded facilities to account for the bigger populations in Boulder now

Anonymous
2/05/2021 07:03 AM

A Trail from Boulder to Lyons.

Anonymous
2/05/2021 08:17 AM

In addition to the clubhouse and restaurant investment, I'd like to see improvements to the actual golf course itself. New sand traps and upgraded tee-boxes would go a long way to improve the course. This course is by far the worst municipal course in the front range. Bouldetites leave Boulder every day to go to courses in Louisville, Lafayette, Erie, Longmont, Broomfield, Westminister because those courses are more attractive and fun to play. The golf course seems to be the bastard child or parks and rec.

Anonymous
2/05/2021 02:10 PM

That you will plan ahead and budget for trash removal and port o potties where needed. This is especially true along the Bldr Creek Trail and above Eben G Fine Park. You cannot allow large numbers of people to recreate there and not provide adequate infrastructure. It happens every single year so there is no excuse for not planning for it!

Anonymous
2/05/2021 02:55 PM

They continue to bring joy to everyone

Anonymous
2/05/2021 04:49 PM

I would like to see more education that teaches people why it's so important to stay on marked trails---and not create social trails for convenience.

Anonymous
2/06/2021 10:57 AM

Our successors can enjoy what we have enjoyed

Anonymous 2/06/2021 11:49 AM	add more tennis courts by partnering with BVSD to seriously upgrade courts at Fairview HS, Manhattan MS, and other school venues
Anonymous 2/06/2021 02:11 PM	Improvements across the board (like at Scott!) ... the parks and their landscaping need TLC, the Rec. Centers are lovely, but I'm sure they all need some improvements, so just hoping that what we have gets what it needs before embarking on any sort of expansion which just doesn't seem prudent (as much as we all love open recreational spaces).
Anonymous 2/08/2021 09:25 AM	I hope we will have a new recreation facility for the south part of town that is new, modern and meets the needs for a large warm water pool.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 10:01 AM	To review and add new Teenage level equipment in the existing parks.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 02:54 PM	That the budget restrictions will lead to more of a true focus on this aspect for all areas and divisions of the Parks and Recreation system. That funding will be distributed according to need.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 03:34 PM	sustained facilities that can have minor updates adn be safe and functional for years to come
Anonymous 2/08/2021 04:13 PM	I've been attending fitness classes at North Bldr Rec since the 1970's and have gotten so much benefit from them. At this point in my life I'm a pretty fit senior, thanks in no small part to these classes. Prior to the COVID shutdown, I attended the Fit-For-Life (ZOOM) class at 10:30 am, MWF. There was always really good attendance at this class and we all agreed that these work-outs were having huge health benefits for us. Not only were we staying fit physically, but there were significant emotional benefits as well. Exercise is important in combating depression and anxiety for people of all ages, but also our class provided wonderful social support as well. A great side benefit was that we chatted before and after class and became an informal social support system for one another. Many of us Seniors are living alone and it can be a lonely time of life. Having our class to look forward to, and having the opportunity to hang out in the lobby after class was a real life-saver. I hope in the future that you will continue to provide classes for Seniors and make it a priority to recruit instructors who enjoy working with us.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 11:05 PM	SBRC gets upgraded and not treated like the step-child of the Boulder Parks and Rec system,
Anonymous 2/09/2021 10:28 AM	Renovate, modernize, and improve facilities
Anonymous 2/09/2021 12:24 PM	That the City's backlog of deferred maintenance is reduced.

Anonymous 2/09/2021 01:06 PM	Improving in-person fitness offerings
Anonymous 2/09/2021 01:25 PM	I hope that we will be able to update all 3 recreation centers with additional spaces, equipment and amenities.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:00 PM	Add more Pickleball Courts
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:36 PM	we can add on to what we already have
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:42 PM	Several years ago, the City stopped managing the Pottery Lab directly and gave a contract to Studio Arts Boulder to manage the lab instead. Studio Arts Boulder has done a great job managing the Pottery Lab, and the Parks and Rec should support that program by fully funding maintenance at that facility.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:53 PM	I'd like to see more pickle ball designated courts at all of the possible locations.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:55 PM	Adaptation when needed. Taking care of the present buildings and services seem important and also, being open to the changing needs of those constituents.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 04:09 PM	That we are successful in maintaining our access to open space
Anonymous 2/09/2021 04:47 PM	The Expand/therapeutic rec program will once again thrive and offer our IDD community athletics, social programming and key opportunities for friendship and sportsmanship.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:02 PM	Improve existing parks with a clear picture of the demographics of the neighboring areas (i.e. put in playgrounds only if there are significant number of children in neighborhood, or putting is facilities for seniors near where they live)
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:04 PM	Utilizing existing create multi use course, fields
Anonymous 2/10/2021 06:16 AM	Trails in particular are getting a little rough in many places. Edge drop-offs on paved trails are an emblematic problem.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 07:54 AM	Have the people who don't live in Boulder pay to use our parks.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:20 AM	The rec centers are excellent and hopefully will be maintained well into the future

Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:25 AM	Improvements to existing places I love (especially Valmont bike park and the bike paths around town)
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:28 AM	I hope that rec centers and programs stay at least the same, if there are no funds for improvement.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:34 AM	We will continue to enhance and improve current facilities with new equipment, class offerings, remodels, and expansions.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:39 AM	That you can be the best. This is a affluent community and we should be able to support a well-rounded and excellent program. I am particularly interested in the arts and arts education/opportunities for youth.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:42 AM	I want the public spaces/facilities to be kept clean and safely accessible to general public and not in decay or being occupied by a small segment of people.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:45 AM	I hope that people in Boulder will be able to enjoy the parks we have for years and years to come.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:46 AM	Again, that the city continue to provide support to programs not directly in city recreation buildings.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:48 AM	Making our existing spaces better seems like a good goal. Upgrading play equipment in parks, more hours for the Pottery Lab. More open swims!
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:50 AM	Funding is essential. We need to ensure sufficient funding and support for parks and rec.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:55 AM	I hope that we have a plan to take care of the projects we just completed that haven't had the opportunity to see a lot of use yet due to COVID - like the new reservoir visitor center or the new pool at Scott Carpenter park. Without visitors, these new facilities aren't seeing the initial wear and tear - nor has the community gotten the opportunity to use and provide feedback on what these additions provide for the community! Give us some time to really enjoy what has been provided.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:56 AM	Less is more. We need the open spaces and cultural programs in our community to stay a part ofour every day lives.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:03 AM	Everything built to last hundreds of years and maintained accordingly.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:04 AM	I hope that more new trails will help to ease the burden of overuse on popular trails and that affordable housing will help provide shelter for those who are currently camping in public parks.
Anonymous	Well maintained trails capable of welcoming more feet. Increased ranger

2/10/2021 10:10 AM	presence to help us recreate sustainably. Naturalists to teach us to enjoy the world we share. Innovative transportation plans to move people around parking bottlenecks.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:14 AM	Protection of our vast outdoor spaces and the creatures who call them home. Places to create and express ourselves, as well as entertain our curiosities. Support for local small business and restaurants. Teaching younger generations about the value in nature and culture, and how to preserve these things.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:16 AM	I hope that the Spruce pool facility gets a remodel like the Scott Carpenter facility did!
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:32 AM	That the pools, parks, reservoir, pottery studio, recreation centers are all well taken care to be around for decades to come.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:38 AM	We would love to see the Expand program grow to offer even more activities that are physically challenging, cognitively enhancing and socially enabling.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:39 AM	More trail maintenance and restoration! I really love the ongoing projects in Boulder trail systems to make sure that trails are maintained are resilient to environmental changes and increased human use. I think more of this would benefit people living in and around boulder and the tourism community as well! I also think more education around "staying on trail" would be beneficial for maintenance! More signs throughout trails, more info at the start of trails, etc!
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:39 AM	More parks and climate resilience.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	more of the same
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	That sufficient personnel and budget are available to take care of assets and community requests
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:43 AM	Boulder will retain its history and character
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:48 AM	That all facilities can be monitored and refurbished as needed.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:49 AM	Funny question. My hope for the future is that the wonderful existing resources in Boulder are still there. Especially Studio Arts Boulder.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:04 AM	My hope for the future is a continuation of creating opportunities for Boulder folks to stop and slow down and appreciate their physical environment.

Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:23 AM	That the Pottery Lab in the old firehouse will continue to flourish and grow.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:41 AM	Studio Arts Boulder , which the pottery lab is part of hopes to build an new facility for all the arts soon, but will always utilize every square inch of our beloved lab on Aurora.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:49 AM	A cleaner Boulder Reservoir with safety improvements to enable more use of non-motorized waterfract.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:01 PM	Invest in existing programs like the pottery studio and keep it going. Programs at Chautauqua are great. Shore up the reservoir to make sure overuse doesn't ruin it
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:38 PM	
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:44 PM	Improved and enhanced amenities/facilities (Rec Centers, Playgrounds, etc)
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:02 PM	That we will renovate and try to drawl in more local businesses in historic downtown Boulder, too many national chains have taken away the charm of Pearl Street.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:44 PM	return of sports , arts and parks and rec as above
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:50 PM	The Pottery Lab needs to continue
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:58 PM	I hope the parks become less crowded. I have lived in Boulder since '79 and the pandemic made the trails so much more crowded that it often did not feel safe to walk unless you had room to move off trail. I feel like visitors should be charged to help maintain our parks.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:20 PM	In this I would hope that if we have too much- we can let go of what is not needed.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:23 PM	Boulder showed us resilience in 2013 after the flood period we need to keep putting resources towards that improvement while supporting communities and small businesses in the area this also includes governmental offerings of parks and recreation
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:27 PM	That our current programs remain viable.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:44 PM	That the pottery lab continues providing wonderful experiences to all involved.

Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:37 PM	If/when the city decides that some part of the system should no longer be within the parks and rec department, I dearly hope that these assets can be turned over to non-profits who will continue their maintenance. A fine example of this is the Pottery Lab...which continues on even though P&R no longer runs it. Keep up that good work!
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:49 PM	maintain and support the activities we have,, the wonderful staff and facilities.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 04:09 PM	I hope to see our facilities stay up to date, our programs keep up with advances in technology, and to see parks and trails continue to be well maintained, safe, and clean! Specifically, I want to see Studio Arts Boulder be invested in in such a way that they can finally achieve their goal of moving to a larger facility where they can accomodate more students and a wider range of classes. It is such a gem in our community that I want to see them grow!
Anonymous 2/10/2021 04:32 PM	That we s citizens will achieve a community that is healthy, thriving, and growing
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:00 PM	Double the size of the Pottery Lab in the Firehouse -- perhaps through a fundraiser and land/home acquisition. Aaron has done a fantastic job managing this amazing resource. From the early days of large pots and raku genius of Dave Kinkenbeard, to the even more amazing (not quite as crazy) days in today's lab, the quality, experience, breadth and depth of the instruction is exceptional.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:00 PM	That my children will be able to continue to take advantage of the same facilities I've learned to love.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:27 PM	I'm looking forward to a pottery lab. Using Rec centers that have been well cared for.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 06:56 PM	We can educate people on leave no trace ethics in order to preserve our open spaces
Anonymous 2/10/2021 07:29 PM	Grow and adotsntonthe needs if the public
Anonymous 2/10/2021 07:36 PM	a city visual/performance center that has art, ceramics, theatre, in one place.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 07:44 PM	That the Pottery lab continues and is sufficiently supported for full access to those who want to participate.
Anonymous	Acting on it and actually improving some of the public spaces that feel dated

2/10/2021 09:14 PM	(east boulder rec to name one)
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:37 PM	To return existing parks to a clean and safe state that we all can enjoy. Many public places have trash and even needles found in children's areas. Stop allowing camping on public property.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:19 AM	I hope that the pottery lab, AKA Studio Arts Boulder continues to use the existing building at 1010 Aurora and develops it's new facility for pottery and other artistic crafts.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 06:23 AM	Continue to maintain and refresh existing infrastructure
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:07 AM	Co tinues great stewardship of the unique Boulder environment
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:21 AM	More conservation and climate change resilience
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:50 AM	That after the pandemic all parks and rec facilities can return to normal use. I am 70 years old and have an congenital heart condition. As a result I have felt it unsafe for me to use any parks and rec facilities for about a year.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 08:23 AM	Continued growth of our park system, with an emphasis on the natural beauty - rewilding where possible. Encourage growth of native species.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 08:23 AM	programs on climate change. education on how to appreciate and use our open spaces with resiliency to keep them healthy, usable and rich.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 09:18 AM	I hope that the Natural Lands team can be recognized as a valuable group in the department. Our work may be different than most of the department's, but we still fulfill an important niche. I hope through this master plan update, that our properties and needs can be prioritized and recognized so we can serve the community and protect our natural resources like they require.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 09:51 AM	Updating of facilities, parks and adding to maintain and have new things inside or addition to what is current.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 11:02 AM	Creation of multiple, dedicated PickleBall courts
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:26 PM	I hope EXPAND can continue to grow and provide an array of options for the I/DD community.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:41 PM	Disburse the campers, keep them out, stop tolerating the associated behavior, and bring the parks back as a valued part of the community.

Anonymous 2/11/2021 02:28 PM	Eliminate auto traffic in all of the core city, enhancing more walking biking paths...that were former roads but are now trees and bushes and rocks and meandering trails through our city.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 03:10 PM	Hoping investment in facilities and maintaining equipment continues
Anonymous 2/11/2021 03:45 PM	That budgets return to normal, and are increased over time, to allow for proper maintenance and expansion of existing resources.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:20 PM	Make our existing rec center's/pools and parks better by providing better services for all. Improve the quality of experiences that can be had at the existing centers/pools and parks by upgrading the existing facilities (more things for kids in South Boulder for example)
Anonymous 2/11/2021 06:52 PM	looking forward to seeing the boulder creek park and related area improvements continue. The creek is a gem and a natural draw for all kings of people ans events. Love the new part. But we also need to protect the value of our small parks in the neighborhood.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 04:31 AM	I am hopeful that we will find a way to care for our resources in a way that does not leave people behind.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 10:37 AM	continued investment in repairs & maintenance as well as long term capital items
Anonymous 2/12/2021 12:04 PM	Make Scott Carpentr Pool a year round facility.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 08:57 AM	Take care of our open space. Build out Valmont Park!
Anonymous 2/13/2021 12:43 PM	That we have an adequate number of rangers to monitor and enforce policies. Scofflaws are riding mountain bikes on trails where they are not allowed, people don't pick up after their dogs and litter is everywhere.
Anonymous 2/14/2021 12:39 PM	That existing programs, such as the Boulder Pottery Lab and rec centers, will be able to grow and bloom post-pandemic, providing a basis for drawing new people in and building even stronger, more equitable communities
Anonymous 2/15/2021 02:04 PM	Continued activities like the pottery lab.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 02:12 PM	Repurposing or adding more designated pickleball courts around Boulder.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 06:38 AM	Permanent pickleball courts in multiple locations

Anonymous 2/16/2021 08:40 AM	All parks get some love.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 08:59 AM	I hope for continuance of neighborhood-based places for building community. that is parks but also indoor arts facilities too.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 01:50 PM	Preserving the quality parks that we have.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 02:42 PM	Better maintenance of Volleyball and Tennis courts.
Anonymous 2/17/2021 09:07 AM	I hope the city would start prioritizing allocating funds for taking care of what we have before embracing new capital improvement project like the new building/visitor center at the Boulder Reservoir. It's a beautiful facility, but when you look at the park land around the reservoir, the maintenance and repair backlog is incredibly evident: braided social trails, erosion, invasive weeds, dog excrement, broken fences, peeling paint, outdated pit-toilets at Coot Lake, vandalism on signs and buildings, illegal parking, etc.
Anonymous 2/17/2021 03:18 PM	Hope is not a word I would use as it implies (to me) maybes. Sorry
Anonymous 2/17/2021 03:54 PM	Learning from the past and applying to the future. These older parks/facilities can evolve with the community.
Anonymous 2/18/2021 01:05 AM	Preserve and improve our parks. Find ways to control overuse without discriminating against residents who aren’t fit young cyclists, etc.
Marja Duggan 2/19/2021 07:12 AM	Do not overcrowd the trails, start charging parking fees for people outside boulder county.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 08:16 AM	Tear down a Google builder and create a park ... or better mocked... “Pave paradise, put up a parking lot”, Joni pointed it out 40+ years ago and we still don’t get it!!
Anonymous 2/19/2021 08:53 AM	Facilities still attractive
Jim Goers 2/19/2021 08:55 AM	Taking care of what we have is the minimum effort!
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:00 AM	I would like to see the Parks and Recreation Department get the funding from the City it needs to address some ongoing shortfalls, like the lack of enough tennis courts to handle the increase in players, both the growing population of tennis players and the booming new sport of pickleball, which both have to share a pool of tennis courts that hasn't been added to in twenty years or

	more. The fact that it took years to swing the funding to repair Scott Carpenter Park public pool is another example of Parks and Rec not even having the funding to do necessary repairs before they become critical. Not acceptable for a sports town like Boulder.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:03 AM	Seeing a process in place for routine maintenance of all equipment, and buildings owned by the department.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:26 AM	Enhancements to existing recreation centers.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 12:36 PM	More attention to plants and overall health of parks properties.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 02:21 PM	Better community programming. More live music or evening events to draw community. Better patrolling and control of the homeless population. Play structures are uninspiring for young minds and don't reflect Boulder's progressive mindset.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:18 PM	Expansion of environmentally protected areas.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 05:58 AM	Resurface tennis courts, and maybe, just maybe, create a dedicated facility to the exploding pickleball community.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 02:56 PM	I hope that the foothills will remain suitable habitats for large mammals (bear, deer, coyote, mountain lions, bobcats, etc). and for their small mammal inhabitants, birds, insects and native plants in perpetuity. I would like to see a database on the general (not specific) occurrence and population status of these species that would indicate chronological and seasonal trends.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:29 PM	more community volunteers, more inclusivity between age groups, more human investment
Anonymous 2/20/2021 08:48 PM	That all parks & rec facilities are kept in usable and safe condition. Doesn't necessarily have to be the latest and greatest and constantly updated, but does need to be safe and usable.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 07:23 AM	Better maintenance esp during COVID, they are outside and being used more than in past....and in past they were used ALOT. it is a family sport!
Jean Rosmarin 2/21/2021 08:15 AM	I hope that we can keep the tennis courts maintained.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 09:19 AM	Upgrade existing facilities
Anonymous	Lighting on tennis courts, nets replaced and cracks repaired

2/21/2021 01:37 PM

Anonymous
2/22/2021 09:53 AM

I hope that committees will continue to be open to all the voices and observant to all the ques to maintain our envied recreation culture here in Boulder.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 11:40 AM

Same as above I hope we continue to take great care of our existing parks.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 12:25 PM

That we can maximize enjoyment of our parks while maintaining what makes them special.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 05:10 PM

Budget for upcoming maintenance for the North Boulder Rec Center platform tennis courts. For example, new screens will be needed in the next few years.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 07:13 PM

Land, facilities, etc. continue to increase in pace or faster than people growth

Anonymous
2/23/2021 07:26 AM

Some facilities have been recently renovated with great success (e.g. Martin Park tennis). This should be a standard across Boulder. Additionally, outdoor squash courts could be added with ease (e.g. to the handball courts @ E Boulder Rec)

Anonymous
2/23/2021 09:20 AM

More open space for hiking biking to reduce overcrowding

Anonymous
2/23/2021 09:28 AM

Use existing space/courts to provide more services for residents. Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in America. There were always full courts (indoors) with people waiting to play for Drop In Pickleball at the Rec Centers before Covid. There is definitely a need for more Pickleball in this community. Also, this sport has a much higher age group which benefits Seniors.

Anonymous
2/23/2021 09:32 AM

Expanded facilities and modernization. Additional paddle tennis courts and heating in the existing courts. Additional disc golf.

Anonymous
2/23/2021 09:48 AM

Adding more platform courts in the Boulder area, 2 more at EBRC would be great.

Anonymous
2/23/2021 10:16 AM

Hoping more Platform Tennis Courts are built to accommodate this growing sport.

Anonymous
2/23/2021 06:00 PM

Maintenance/refurbishment of tennis courts.

Anonymous
2/24/2021 08:26 AM

That there can be a roaming ranger around the reservoir that isn't necessarily focused on the water body of the reservoir, but on the land surrounding the reservoir. As the Boulder Reservoir is a very important resource for the City it

makes sense that it should be protected with support from staff with appropriate authorities. This position could do a lot for educating the public on why it is important to take care of our natural resources.

Anonymous
2/24/2021 03:18 PM

Additional facility renovation to match the growing needs for the world class city that Boulder is..,

Anonymous
2/25/2021 07:00 AM

updates to all facilities. new boiler for EBCC and more handicap shower areas for families.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 08:13 AM

Boulder Tennis Facilities are in moderate-condition,, and this palls in comparison to other nearby communities (where courts are not only available, but in vastly better condition). Boulder has a large community of tennis players/enthusiasts (in the thousands!) -- why has this health-generating activity been encouraged in other communities and not Boulder? I'm happy to pay the high taxes here in Boulder, but this is a use for tax monies that would serve many and even make our community more appealing.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 09:16 AM

Preparation is important

Anonymous
2/25/2021 10:20 AM

I leverage the platform tennis courts at NBRC. The players ourselves funded the light upgrade a couple of years ago. I would hope the City sees the demand for this support and will maintain these courts and build more at another location. The courts are in high demand over the past one year.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 12:16 PM

Improve upkeep of satellite facilities to provide a better experience to youth sports. Allow youth activities at prime fields (Stazio, Mapleton) that are typically reserved for high dollar activities (tournaments, adult rec programs) - let the beer leagues play at Tom Watson and kids play at Stazio!!

Anonymous
2/25/2021 01:35 PM

I hope that we can put some money into basic maintenance of our tennis courts, many of which are in dire need of repair or replacement.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 02:27 PM

It would be great to update bathrooms at all parks and playing fields

Anonymous
2/25/2021 05:09 PM

Taking care of what we have includes improving upon it. If there are better ways we can combat climate change use energy in our buildings, build solar, etc.,

Anonymous
2/25/2021 09:20 PM

I hope That Boulder will stop allowing the increasing homeless population to take over our public spaces (along the creek, near the library, behind Boulder high) so that we tax paying, law abiding citizens can use these spaces. It is sad that we have basically conceded these areas to drug users snd transients who have no respect for our city.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 09:30 PM

Tom Watson is a Park with so much potential, that has not been maintained and is not well used. It is a shame. There are issue with the homeless in the

	bathrooms/showers, to where families do not feel safe. This has been raised too staff for years and nothing has been done.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 03:45 AM	My hope is Boulder Parks and Recreation will receive the funding necessary to maintain the existing assets in the way we have come to expect.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 05:04 AM	I hope we can upgrade our kids sports facilities.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 06:23 AM	I hope that NBRC will evaluate the potential to add heaters to the paddle tennis courts since it increases their usability in the primary winter season.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 08:30 AM	A continuation of what Boulder has now and even building in more... responsible access in parks, facilities that reflect changing community needs.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 08:54 AM	I think Boulder has done a good job with parks and rec. I would like to see the rec centers and parks be affordable for both city and county residents.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 09:43 AM	That parks and facilities continue to serve the people of Boulder.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 10:58 AM	Actual enforcement of vagrancy laws.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 11:19 AM	Na
Janet 2/26/2021 02:48 PM	Quality sustaining already existing parks and recreation.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 09:07 PM	Improvement of tennis court at 39th and Colorado - a complete eyesore and tennis continues to grow at an accelerated rate in Colorado
Anonymous 2/26/2021 10:07 PM	Better upkeep of A7 baseball fields. Dogs run unleashed on the dirt fields year around, creating deep footprints in the mud that harden and are a significant risk for kids playing baseball. Additionally, we consistently find dog feces littering the outfields. Dogs need to stay off the baseball fields, or at least be on leashes.
Amy Dodd 2/27/2021 08:15 AM	Beyond repairing the tennis courts that we have, we need some new facilities. The number of tennis players has increased 50% over last year and we now compete with pickle ball players as well.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 07:20 AM	I hope the city can improve non-premier facilities and then implement a maintenance program to ensure safety. And if not, let the user groups and field renters assume some of those maintenance duties.
Anonymous	The continued ability to take advantage of our parks and to allow for citizens

2/27/2021 10:01 AM — to be involved in making improvements to ball fields where appropriate.

Anonymous
2/27/2021 10:30 AM — Better use of what we have will mean that people get out more and enjoy the place they live.

Anonymous
2/28/2021 09:51 AM — Rank the level of need per baseball facility. The Aurora 7 for instance needs a lot more attention/funds/work than the Iris fields.

Anonymous
2/28/2021 02:47 PM — Better frequent maintenance of public tennis courts - need to bee blown more and trash cans around parks installed and emptied routinely

Anonymous
2/28/2021 03:43 PM — Build more youth sports facilities and also what is trending for the future. Tennis and pickle ball are very popular

Anonymous
2/28/2021 05:57 PM — I hope we can have great facilities to use year after year.

Anonymous
2/28/2021 08:01 PM — Addition of pickleball lines and nets to additional tennis courts. Tennis courts are under-utilized. Frequently empty. When used: usually singles, 2 players per court. Existing pickleball courts are often over-subscribed. Often unavailable. When used: usually doubles, 4 players per court. And 2 pickleball courts per tennis court. Thus, pickleball courts on average serve more than 4 times as many users (accounting player density and frequency of empty tennis courts). Adding pickleball nets and lines entail relatively quick, simple and low-cost opportunities to leverage and better utilize existing tennis court infrastructure. Potentially, very high benefit/cost ratios.

Optional question (232 response(s), 228 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q7 "Taking Care of What We Have": What concernsdo you have for the future?

Anonymous
2/01/2021 03:20 PM — test

Anonymous
2/02/2021 07:55 AM — Many of our parks have been under a great deal of stress given uptick of meth addicted unhoused transients. the last clean up near the library found over 1,000 needles adjacent to the playground along with hundreds of pounds of other trash, human waste etc. Our children can no longer enjoy these spaces and many in the community no longer feel safe in our parks built for all to enjoy.

Anonymous
2/02/2021 01:09 PM — Same as above.

Anonymous 2/03/2021 08:45 AM	That dogs and people will overrun the parks
Anonymous 2/03/2021 09:25 AM	That Parks will not focus on core services and try to be too many things to too many people. That taxes will increase. We pay $1,000 a month in property taxes for a modest 2,500 square foot home in central Boulder on a small lot.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 09:42 AM	The city enforcement and removal of the homeless camps are lacking. There are increased crime and drug activities going on in the parks. I was once confronted by a homeless person on the Pearl street mall with a knife and a gun. (Felony menacing) Put them in shelters if they will go, if not, drug treatment and work programs.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 10:55 AM	The city's budget is overstretched, and "the basics" are getting short shifted in favor of sexier political ideas. Parks and rec has been near the bottom of the general fund pecking order and it needs to be higher - perhaps be re-dedicating funding to P&R.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 11:00 AM	I know tennis court upkeep is expensive.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:16 PM	none
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:45 PM	If we build too many new facilities and neglect our parks and trails.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:49 PM	Homeless are destroying certain parks.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 01:30 PM	Due to property values being as they are, nature areas come at a premium around here. So, that means these areas are less likely to be preserved and likely to be built upon.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 01:39 PM	Stretching scarce resources over too many parks
Anonymous 2/03/2021 02:52 PM	I feel underserved in South Boulder; so with all of the assets around the city I worry it keeps the South Boulder area "behind".
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:13 PM	If we try to take on too many new projects, existing spaces and resources could fall into disrepair
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:15 PM	I am concerned that without proper care, the parks will fail to preserve vital ecosystems
Anonymous	As noted above, I am definitely concerned about being able to take care of

2/03/2021 04:04 PM	what we have with limited resources and this ever changing landscape we're currently in.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:07 PM	I would be concerned if we stretched ourselves too thin, and sacrificed the maintenance of existing facilities.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:17 PM	not being able to get enough budget
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:56 PM	I'd be worried that if this was not a priority some of the spaces I love would degrade for something newer and shinier - I like having consistency in what's available in our community.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:02 PM	See #3
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:06 PM	The legalization of marijuana has brought the worst of the worst citizens to boulder. And the Mexican gangs are taking over in boulder. This needs to be addressed. Criminalize marijuana use again and also reduce taxes.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:11 PM	Fire. Erosion. Overuse.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:17 PM	I am concerned and deeply saddened that the City does not take a stronger position in enforcing the camping ban. Areas along the creek (especially downtown and near the library), where my kids once fished and splashed, have become toilets for the campers and are littered with trash and drug paraphernalia. People experiencing homelessness need a safe place to stay, but if campers refuse services, they should not be allowed to continue camping in our parks and open spaces. Without restrooms, this is becoming a significant public health issue.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:47 PM	Government employees swiping the government credit card! (Our tax money)
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:50 PM	Crowds.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:12 PM	Politically correct thinking in place of scientific and logical thinking.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:43 PM	Over use and abuse of open space.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 08:53 PM	Parkes becoming traffic zones! Unusable parks because of fire damage, Reforest now.
BW	The opposite of what I've stated above

2/03/2021 11:23 PM

Anonymous
2/04/2021 05:56 AM

I get concerned that people will want to build up facilities for new fads in lieu of supporting classic recreational activities like swimming, basic indoor facilities for classes, unspecified fields for play and enjoyment

Anonymous
2/04/2021 06:17 AM

Classes and programs becoming too expensive for average Boulder households.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 06:35 AM

I fear that the wonderful experiences I've had on our trails will be destroyed by overcrowding, people disregarding rules, and damaging the habitat and environment through which the trails run.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 06:48 AM

Boulder will allow parks and facilities to degrade because of constant funding pressures

Anonymous
2/04/2021 08:36 AM

That the staus quo of doing nothing will continue

Anonymous
2/04/2021 09:08 AM

Parks and Rec having to do more with less - fewer tax dollars going into preserving existing parks, etc. or building new parks, fewer employees doing more work for less pay,

Anonymous
2/04/2021 09:19 AM

There are so many people on the paths, in the parks and in the open spaces in Boulder now since when I moved here. I will go for a morning run at 6:00am and see a hundred other people doing the same thing. One of the reasons I love Boulder is how active our community is and we have so many great spaces for these activities, but all these places are being "loved to death." I recently learned that the parks department owns Coot Lake. Coot Lake is one of my favorite places to bring my dog since she can go swimming and is able to be off leash. Since coming there for years, it is extremely sad to see how people treat the area. It seems like people think there are no rules and they can do whatever they want. I have never seen a ranger out there so maybe that is why, but the trails are in terrible shape (they have tripled in size!), the outhouse is disgusting and is always smelly, the bridge looks like it will fall over any minute, there are dog poop bags everywhere and the parking lot has so many ruts. I refuse to sit on any of the wooden benches because they have peeling paint and are wobbly. I can no longer use the shore so my dog and I can swim in the reservoir because of the new fence. There are also tree roots being exposed along the shore and I am afraid I or someone will get hurt. The department needs to figure out how to manage this park with all the people that come. This is definitely a park that is being loved to death and is in desperate need of some TLC.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 09:51 AM

I do not favor spending funds on outreach programs over maintaining our current parks

Anonymous

I am concerned that a small minority of users will continue to drive

2/04/2021 10:03 AM

management plan and limit trail /facility accessibility to others who enjoy trails or hobbies different than their own, or push for more restrictions on some trails.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 10:37 AM

Using precious tax dollars for underutilized programs and facilities.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 11:43 AM

I have concerns about allowing homeless to camp in prime park areas to such an extent that those areas get trashed and they are unsafe to be used by anyone else. I disagree with letting people camp in public.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 11:50 AM

Trails getting too crowded. In south boulder the Shanahan ridge trail is getting very busy. There are no parking fees, most other trailheads do have paid parking. We should be fair and charge at all trailheads for cars that come from outside boulder county.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 12:21 PM

I think density is my major concern. Must projects require and Acknowledge the need to spare building on every foot of available land.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 02:26 PM

I'm concerned about expansion - we already have an affordable home issue, expanding public space and parks won't help that.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 02:37 PM

That the city will waste money and focus on targeted groups rather than the community as a whole.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 06:57 PM

Developers will nab up some of our open space. Or build all around it. Our views are disappearing

Anonymous
2/04/2021 07:12 PM

Newcomers neglecting what's already there so it is allowed to waste away; a growing focus on the next big thing and on professional athletes at the expense of long-time residents who just enjoy what we've paid taxes for over so many decades.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 08:35 PM

Balancing human services with stopping some of the dangerous elements in the already-large-but-seems-to-growing population. People visit and are scared to go to creek area. I felt safer in nyc than here at night. People from other towns laugh and say, “oh boulder.” Not sure if it’s true but I heard Longmont buses them in to boulder.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 10:26 PM

I think the facilities we have are nice, but are not big enough. For example, the East Boulder Community Center gym lacks sufficient equipment like stair climbing machines. As a result, there's this awkward sign up list and people argue and fight over one single machine every time I'm there. I think better planning needs to be done for issues like that.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 10:32 PM

That we will trash it.

Anonymous

Population over growth

2/05/2021 06:11 AM

Anonymous
2/05/2021 07:03 AM

The expense of more "studies" and "reviews".

Anonymous
2/05/2021 08:17 AM

Too much attention and investment to open-space as compared to the rest of the department.

Anonymous
2/05/2021 02:10 PM

That no one will take responsibility for areas where city/county and CDOT have jurisdiction. Why not cooperate and plan ahead with budgeting for maintenance instead of buying new properties?

Anonymous
2/05/2021 02:55 PM

Degradation, abuse, incorrect infrastructure,

Anonymous
2/05/2021 04:49 PM

My main concerns include crowds, overuse, and site degradation.

Anonymous
2/06/2021 10:57 AM

Example: the Lake in Thunderbird Park has been ignored and is drying up. Future residents won't have it available to them as we have had for 50+ years.

Anonymous
2/06/2021 11:49 AM

too much growth and densification of Boulder which seriously strains the existing recreational amenities. Many people drive from far outside of the City to use our facilities. Perhaps different rules for city residents vs non-city residents e.g., higher rates at golf courses and rec centers for non-city residents, and not allowing Silver Sneaker holders from other cities to reserve Boulder city amenities (or at least charge a premium for those non-residents)

Anonymous
2/08/2021 09:25 AM

That the uber-athlete crowd will get all the dollars funneled into facilities and activities that benefit only the young and fit and the older citizens will be neglected -- as is often the case, currently. The South Boulder facility is inadequate and needs to be replaced before any other large dollar construction projects and expenditures are planned.

Anonymous
2/08/2021 10:01 AM

That we have too many unhoused individuals and uninformed individuals damaging our parks, and police are unable to help support Parks and Rec.

Anonymous
2/08/2021 02:54 PM

The lack of enforcement throughout the system externally and internal accountability.

Anonymous
2/08/2021 03:34 PM

if we fail to provide ongoing maintenance to our current spaces they will be less used and less efficient

Anonymous
2/08/2021 04:13 PM

There are so many directions that Parks and Rec could move in. I can imagine all of the competing demands that you have. I guess my biggest concern is that you'll try to become all things to all people and spread

	yourselves too thin. I sense in the City of Boulder govt. a tendency to go chasing after the cause du jour. It's frustrating when millions are spent on impractical ideas, that I wish would be spent on things that directly improve the lives of us citizens. (ie Rec Centers, Libraries, street repairs) So, again, please stick with the basics and making them work.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 11:05 PM	Amount of waste and inefficiencies in the name of "green" or "eco-friendly" initiatives.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 10:28 AM	that our facilities will become dated and fall behind the level of quality that boulder residents deserve
Anonymous 2/09/2021 12:24 PM	That deferred maintenance will continue to be put on the back burner while new, more "exciting" projects get funded.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 01:06 PM	If the facilities keep reducing in-person offerings, patrons will fail to use the programs. Up the offerings by advertising
Anonymous 2/09/2021 01:25 PM	The building infrastructure may not support major renovations.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:00 PM	Nothing improves.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:36 PM	want to make sure they don't become obsolete, wasted spaces
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:42 PM	I am concerned about the Pottery Lab and see a need for this institution to continue and remain sustained by Boulder. I am concerned that Boulder will cease supporting the Pottery Lab and see the non profit entity Studio Arts Boulder as a source of revenue for Parks and Rec programs. That would be both wrong and shortsighted. TheCity needs to continue supporting Studio Arts Boulder as the manager of this program.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:55 PM	In preserving the present, there is always the balance of adaptation to changing needs, populations that are left out and being able to adapt services.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 04:09 PM	That Boulder will become crowded and that access to nature will be degraded.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 04:47 PM	That the program won’t be funded to its former level.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:02 PM	Boulder becoming too expensive to support a healthy diverse community

Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:04 PM	Ongoing facilities upkeep
Anonymous 2/10/2021 07:54 AM	Maintaining our parks
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:28 AM	I fear programs and facilities being canceled and closed.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:34 AM	That some facilities will get rundown without focused maintenance.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:39 AM	I think the house in Beach park is an opportunity. Do not sell it. Love the old Pottery Lab.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:42 AM	The homeless issue and associated hygiene, safety, crime, mental/behavioural issues.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:45 AM	I'm concerned that parks will become run down and the community will not be able to enjoy them if they are not a priority when it comes to funding.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:46 AM	City of Boulder will discontinue support of other programs that are equally beneficial to the community
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:48 AM	Planting more trees! Taking care of landscape and structures. Many have seen wear and tear, and are ragged.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:50 AM	Costs. Competition from private facilities. Overuse of some public spaces. Upkeep.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:55 AM	I have concerns that due to the economic pressures of the pandemic in our community, some resources are experiencing more stress from folks utilizing these facilities with more frequency. This will mean more costs to upkeep these areas (Central Park and North Boulder Park come to mind). Also for existing activities and events, things will need to be modified or changed to accommodate the reality we all live in - which will have impacts on costs.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:56 AM	All of these programs go away and we are left with cell phones, video games and non-communal interaction.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:03 AM	Hard times will come. Also population will only rise and therefore use intensity.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:04 AM	I'm concerned that inaction or slow moving bureaucracy will lead to the degradation of our current parks and open spaces. Additionally, I'm concerned that new developments will degrade Boulder's character by

homogenizing its culture. The (mostly empty and useless) Google campus on Pearl that forced out businesses like Ras Kasas's and D+K Printing is a good example of what happens when we don't protect the good things we have.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:10 AM

facilities getting too busy/crowded

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:10 AM

Big issues like sustainable plants to thrive in a changing climate, established, safe places for some prairie dogs to live, rainy day funding for increased flood control. Education for all who will learn about the rights of all citizens to use our public parks. Hard to believe I was shouted at for riding my bike on the edge of the grass in one of our parks. I realized I have not mentioned one indoor recreation facility. I will go on record as always enjoying the outdoors.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:14 AM

As more people are attracted to the Boulder area, open spaces are being converted to apartment complexes and long-time Boulder staples are being pushed out by chains and rising property taxes.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:16 AM

Sustaining parks and rec for our massively growing community.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:32 AM

That current budget restrictions would close some of these facilities. That would be devastating to the availability of programs to the city residents and the the employees who are employed by them

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:38 AM

The Expand program has been greatly cut back during the pandemic. From a staff of 5, they have gone down to a staff of 2. These valuable staffing needs to be rebuilt. The Expand program was having a difficult time keeping up with the demand of popular programs even before the downsizing occurred. Parents had to wait for the enrollment to hit and popular classes filled within the first 30 minutes, leaving many on waitlists.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:39 AM

Population growth and tourism. As boulder explodes in population and tourism we have seen an increase in trail usage. Boulder is already doing a great job with maintenance and restoration, but I would like to see more information for people who are less aware of trail etiquette (like tourists).

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:39 AM

Trail and environmental maintenance in the face of increased population growth, climate change, and overuse.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:42 AM

That we will add assets with sufficient resources to maintain them or current assets

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:43 AM

That Boulder will be more overrun with boring corporate or cookie- cutter architecture and ideas

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:48 AM

That instead of making cost-effective repairs to existing facilities they will be torn down or "upgraded" which will be exorbitantly expensive.

Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:49 AM	That the city will eliminate amazing community resources like Studio Arts Boulder.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:04 AM	I'm concerned that runaway development in Boulder will overshadow and dismiss prioritization of investment in parks and recreation facilities by the city of Boulder.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:23 AM	That the City of Boulder will not renew the Pottery Lab lease for the old firehouse at 1010 Aurora.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:41 AM	My concern is having continued financial backing.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:49 AM	Drunks on powerboats and jet skis on the Boulder Reservoir. :-(
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:01 PM	Overuse
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:38 PM	
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:44 PM	Equipment (such as old playgrounds) failing and causing injury. Long-term future of facilities such as the South Rec Center. Community members not having access to amenities due to outsourced programs taking up gym space, tennis courts, etc.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:02 PM	Boulder is already so different than when I came here 25 years ago, the houses are super modern in neighborhoods that have old rustic homes, it's sad to see multimillion dollar homes going up everywhere, making it nearly impossible for the average person to live in the community. I live in Longmont but I spend a lot of time in Boulder, hoping to move there one day to be closer to the activities I like to do.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:44 PM	that the "new norm" will mean loss of cultural gatherings, events and venues
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:50 PM	Not enough funding for existing rec facilities.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:58 PM	Too many people from other towns trampling trails and not everyone respects social distancing and wearing masks.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:20 PM	That we have three rec centers buildings that require maintenance- staff- do we need all three.
Anonymous	Gentrification

2/10/2021 02:23 PM

Anonymous
2/10/2021 02:27 PM

In the quest to purchase more open space, this limits the funds to take care of what we have.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 02:44 PM

That you remove/relocate the pottery lab from it current place in Boulder.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 03:37 PM

See #3. I'm sure other facilities may fall out of scope or plan or whatever for P&R...let's not lose those...let's find a new home for them

Anonymous
2/10/2021 03:49 PM

Budget to maintain what we have without having to sell off/close down/lay off

Anonymous
2/10/2021 04:09 PM

I don't want to see our beautiful facilities become delapidated as a result of resources being allocated elsewhere.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 04:32 PM

Our precious environment must be protected - this means physical environment and social, too!

Anonymous
2/10/2021 05:00 PM

Pottery Lab on Aurora. I would love to see this location expanded -- or perhaps a 2nd location for community pottery -- perhaps with more just open lab hours and more space to raku!

Anonymous
2/10/2021 05:00 PM

That places like the Pottery Lab will close.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 05:27 PM

Funding and keeping current options available.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 06:56 PM

Careless people with no regard for leave no trace. Every time I go to Chautauqua, I see people cutting switchbacks, exploring off trail, letting their dogs roam off trail, and have to imagine some of this is doing lasting damage.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 07:29 PM

Older establishments do not have the resources to update their computer systems, social media and such

Anonymous
2/10/2021 07:36 PM

Studio Arts Boulder is not only in a historic bldg, but the program is historic as well and should be preserved.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 07:44 PM

That leaders who see parks and rec lose sight of the arts, which is an essential need for community health.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 09:14 PM

Not innovating and updating in a way that IMPROVES the space and the community.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 11:37 PM

Lack of safety and cleanliness in public recreation spaces both indoor and outdoor.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 04:19 AM

I'm concerned that Boulder, which presents itself as a community for artist and the creative side of people, keeps trying to get rid of the pottery lab which is hypocritical. It's equally as important for Parks an Rec to support Studio Arts Boulder as physical activities. Other surrounding cities use their Park and Rec department to support the arts. Boulder should look at those communities as examples for the arts.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 07:21 AM

Water and air quality

Anonymous
2/11/2021 07:50 AM

That the virus will mutate and I will never get to throw a pot or fire a pot or swim or lift weights again.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 08:23 AM

We forget that parks are multidimensional and serve man6y aspects for residents and the wild ecosystem.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 08:23 AM

overuse. population pressure. climate change.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 09:18 AM

I hope that the Department can prioritize the North Shore, Coot Lake, and surrounding Natural Areas as Parks and Recreation properties in desperate need of repair, maintenance, and focus. At this point, it isn't if something bad will happen at one of these properties, but when. For example, when is the Coot Lake bridge going to finally fall over as some is walking on it? When is someone going to get hit by a car on 63rd Street because we don't have a proper cross walk? When will someone's safety be jeopardized because we do not have a ranger? When will the shoreline erode so much that the cottonwoods will die, and the shoreline becomes dangerous to access? When will our bird species of concern no longer return to nest because we have not properly managed and protected their habitat? Below summarizes some of my concerns: - Enforcement: Besides the infrastructure/maintenance concerns listed below, the department must hire a ranger for the Coot Lake and Boulder Reservoir properties. We are doing our citizens a disservice by not ensuring their safety and protecting our assets and natural resources. It is a "free-for-all" at Coot Lake because people have become accustomed to no enforcement at this property. - Trail widening: in some places the 8-foot trails are now over 20+ feet wide destroying the native vegetation. - Erosion: there is major erosion occurring into the ditch on the north side of Coot Lake that soon the Coot Lake trail will be in jeopardy. Also, the north shoreline of the Boulder Reservoir has exposed tree roots and is eroding due to no infrastructure in place to handle people accessing the shore. - Coot Lake bridge: The wooden bridge is slanted and falling apart. It needs to be replaced before someone gets hurt. - Coot Lake bathroom: The Tom Watson

restroom has been out of commission for over a year due to an electrical problem. Therefore, the Coot Lake outhouse has experienced higher levels of use. The bathroom has not seen repairs (except painting and screen replacements) since it was built. The department must fix both restrooms. - Social trails: Although our team has closed numerous social trails at Coot Lake and the North Shore, there are numerous trails that people still use. We need to create access points to the shore, name/designate trails as official trails, etc. - Picnic tables and benches: The wooden benches and picnic tables need replacement or major repairs. We tried to fix the picnic table in the NW corner of Coot Lake this year but there are still loose boards and wasp nests (it needs replacement). - Signs: Our trailhead sign board at the 55th trailhead has not been updated in over 15 years. The map we have currently has a date of 2005. To be consistent with other Parks and Recreation signs and provide proper signage for visitors, we need to update this sign board. In addition, our interpretive signs are cracked and faded. We even had one sign that someone vandalized this year with graffiti. - Natural resource protection: As the Natural Lands team, our main goal is to protect the vegetation, wildlife, and natural resources found on Parks and Recreation property. The properties surrounding the Boulder Reservoir provide habitat for a variety of species including bird and amphibian species of concern. We must protect these areas to ensure the long-term success of these vulnerable species.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 09:51 AM

Capital Improvement cost and deferred cost are high and therefore spending will exceed rev.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 11:02 AM

Financial insolvency. Lack of evolution to reflect changing interests

Anonymous
2/11/2021 12:26 PM

I am afraid to lose EXPAND programming or that you would decide that just "including" people with I/DD in regular programming would suffice. IT WOULD NOT! Individuals with I/DD need to have classes tailored to how they learn and function. They need times with their like peers, just like the participants in Silver Sneakers programs do.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 12:41 PM

Refusal of the city to acknowledge and address the transient problem.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 02:28 PM

To STOP building more housing, STOP seeking more bodies to tax, STOP turning Boulder into just hitec bedroom community!

Anonymous
2/11/2021 03:10 PM

Unsure if there ever will be a return to the level of availability and usage as before.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 03:45 PM

That many Park and Rec spaces are being used for camping.

Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:20 PM	Our facilities and parks become more run down and less enticing for people to use.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 06:52 PM	Funding, sustainable approach, and resilient design.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 04:31 AM	My concern is that taking care of our existing resources could mean that we push out people who are with out homes. Instead, we should work to find ways to bring solutions to the rough sleeping community (ie. public shower, public bathrooms, public trash removal, etc.)
Anonymous 2/12/2021 10:37 AM	I worry about cutting back on repairs, maintenance, etc to fund new programs
Anonymous 2/13/2021 08:57 AM	Concern that Valmont Park will take forever to get completed.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 12:43 PM	Further degradation and inadequate resources to prevent it.
Anonymous 2/14/2021 12:39 PM	Given all the challenges--fiscal, environmental, dealing with systemic racism, we won't have the resources to meet the needs of the community and Boulder writ large.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 02:04 PM	With the internet community is harder to find. I think it's important to keep the rec centers as part of physical community.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 06:38 AM	Not keeping up with the times
Anonymous 2/16/2021 08:40 AM	We only have resources to mitigate the over use of our most popular parks and other parks are neglected.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 08:59 AM	I worry that building upkeep and costs of programming will make it too easy to erode indoor opportunities for community.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 02:42 PM	We should have "state of the art" fields and outdoor facilities. Less emphasis on weight rooms and classes.
Anonymous 2/17/2021 09:07 AM	I have concerns that the those developing the new management plan only think of what's new and shiny, and neglect what we already have. Our parks are the backbone of the Parks and Recreation department, but they're being heavily used and abused and the department isn't allocating the necessary resources to protect them. Why are there no park rangers patrolling the Reservoir? Foothills Community Park? Tantra? If there's no enforcement, how can we take care of what we have? There are homeless encampments throughout our city parks. how is that taking care of what we have?

Anonymous 2/17/2021 03:18 PM	My main concerns are financial (management and priorities) and access.
Anonymous 2/17/2021 03:54 PM	We will lose our history
Anonymous 2/18/2021 01:05 AM	I do undertthat overuse is an issue that must be addressed with creative solutions.
Marja Duggan 2/19/2021 07:12 AM	Too many people and dogs. Littering on the trails.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 08:16 AM	As City of Boulder continues to want more growth, will they ever force each housing unit to include grass and swings and picnic tables...a park?
Anonymous 2/19/2021 08:53 AM	deterioration
Jim Goers 2/19/2021 08:55 AM	Programs and facilities will be less effective in supporting Health and Wellness!
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:00 AM	I think my concerns are reflected in my responses above. Simply put, the City of Boulder, in pursuing all its other issues and initiatives, seems to have dropped the ball on public parks and facilities funding. Well funded and well maintained public parks and recreation facilities, be they soccer fields, tennis courts, playgrounds, etc., are as critical to the mental and spiritual health of a city as public education, a thriving business community, libraries, museums, art projects, mountain open space, or bike paths. Please address the needs in public parks and facilities.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:03 AM	That by adding projects/parks/assets it would be to hard to maintain/sustain all of them properly.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:26 AM	Increased costs and capital. With an aging population, there could be a greater need for older adult services that could change with the demographical shifts in Boulder.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 12:36 PM	By overextending into new programs and new facilities, old ones may suffer.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 02:21 PM	Safety at Parks first and foremost. A place where people can congregate without being menaced by transients. Or you or your child can use a public restroom without fear of someone sleeping in there or its level of cleanliness.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:18 PM	Degradation of parks due to overuse, and especially now, homeless camping.

Anonymous 2/20/2021 05:58 AM	Things sometimes get a makeover rather than doing it right. For example, repainting a tennis court while the sub surface is crap, that's a waste of money and doesn't appease anybody. Post tension concrete however, lasts longer and is ultimately cheaper in the end, regarding maintenance.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 01:15 PM	There is so little upkeep on the tennis courts. And there are so many tennis players in Boulder. There are waiting lists at all the clubs and yet we don't keep up the outdoor facilities we already have very well
Anonymous 2/20/2021 02:56 PM	Human activities that impact these areas and lack of monitoring.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:29 PM	The assumption that it will be left to "others" to maintain Boulder's landscape.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 08:48 PM	I am very concerned that tennis court facilities have not been maintained to the point where they are potentially dangerous due to major cracks in the surface, and certainly affect the bounce of the ball (a consistent ball bounce is an integral part of the game). Deterioration of nets adversely affects the game. I am concerned that poor workmanship with past patching and resurfacing has allowed for water seepage and continued cracking and bubbling of court surfaces.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 10:21 PM	Improve the current public tennis courts and create an indoor public tennis facility that is not controlled by the city tennis coach Gonzo but open to the public equitably all ages included. And now with Pickleball there are less tennis courts available at times.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 07:23 AM	With pickleball becoming popular the tennis courts are getting harder to get on.
Jean Rosmarin 2/21/2021 08:15 AM	I worry that we will have too many competing needs for the courts and that the casual players (kids with parents, young twenties just trying out the sport) will get discouraged.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 09:19 AM	Finances
Anonymous 2/21/2021 01:37 PM	Not enough courts for all the players between pickleball and the tennis boom during covid
Anonymous 2/22/2021 09:53 AM	Repairing cracks in bike paths and tennis courts, replacing nets on basketball hoops, replacing broken and rusty fencing, fixing broken weight machines, pulling weeds on softball fields, replacing stakes in horse shoe pits, fixing chips in handball walls, cleaning sand at dog parks, cleaning bathrooms and picnic tables in parks, etc. etc. etc.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 11:40 AM	That we start allow development of our open space.

Anonymous 2/22/2021 12:25 PM	Adding activities that should not be in the parks - too much late night entertainment, too much alcohol (or any at all), changing the nature of our special environments in our parks.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 05:10 PM	Concerned that there won't be funds set aside for keeping this great resource, the only public Platform Tennis courts in Boulder County, maintained.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 07:13 PM	Same land/facilities and more people or worse, less land/fewer facilities and more people
Anonymous 2/23/2021 07:26 AM	Corners have been cut on others (Chautauqua). I'm concerned we may continue to cut corners.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:20 AM	parks and facilities are overcrowded already and population in the area will only increase
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:28 AM	It is better to have well run, well maintained facilities and parks than have too many that are not taken care of properly.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:32 AM	We dont seem to prioritize upgrading existing parks and facilities- although the reservoir has yet to open and that was badly needed.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:48 AM	Both platform tennis & pickleball are growing concerns, i'd like to see more of them, improvements to existing facilities, & attention paid to make sure they are safe to play on.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 10:16 AM	I worry our paddle courts will deteriorate with proper attention.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 06:00 PM	Maintenance/refurbishment of tennis courts.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 08:26 AM	I have concerns that with a lack of a ranger presence around the reservoir that illegal activities will continue to jeopardize the landscape and the quality of the water in the reservoir.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 03:18 PM	Underinvestment pushing the public to support private recreational facilities leading to a downward spiral of funding for the public facilities...
Anonymous 2/25/2021 07:00 AM	money
Anonymous 2/25/2021 08:13 AM	Boulder Tennis Facilities are in moderate-condition,, and this palls in comparison to other nearby communities (where courts are not only available, but in vastly better condition). Boulder has a large community of tennis players/enthusiasts (in the thousands!) -- why has this health-generating activity been encouraged in other communities and not Boulder? I'm happy to

pay the high taxes here in Boulder, but this is a use for tax monies that would serve many and even make our community more appealing.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 09:16 AM

Again, maintenance of what we already have is important.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 12:16 PM

Fields are falling into disrepair so families are less inclined to participate in community youth sports.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 01:35 PM

Covid has caused a large surge of both tennis and pickleball players to utilize our tennis courts and without proper maintenance and replacement these facilities will get further run-down and pose health hazards and legal liabilities.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 02:27 PM

Our kids continue to play baseball in other cities and counties because they have better facilities

Anonymous
2/25/2021 05:09 PM

I would not want to lose the assets we already have.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 09:20 PM

I'm concerned that our parks and bike path areas are becoming less safe. I don't want to let my 10 year old ride his bike alone to school because sometimes there are homeless people sleeping under one of the bridges he has to cross over. I'm concerned when my teenage daughter wants to tube in the creek because there are so many discarded needles and human waste in our creeks. This trend is unacceptable and I fear will be the demise of our beautiful city.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 09:30 PM

Iris Fields, they are a great community resource, with a rich history, but are owned by the County. The County is not well set up to handle a sports property, they do not care about it, and have been a bad partner to the organizations who use it for baseball, softball, soccer and football. The County is happy to throw it weight around and threaten to sell the land. It is time for the city to deal with this issue, the land is in the city and city has the staff to properly managed it. There are strong local volunteer organizations who have put thousands of hours and dollars into Iris Fields, and would like a better partner like the city parks and rec.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 03:45 AM

Increasing asset prices, a potential lack of funding, and Boulder's need for additional housing may create pressure for Boulder Parks and Recreation to sell off certain assets so additional housing may be built. Without the parks maintained by Boulder, the city becomes a less desirable place to live.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 05:04 AM

My concern is that the city seems not to care about families and children. We have awesome walking trails, biking ways, etc. We have lousy kids sports facilities.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 06:23 AM

See 6.

Anonymous 2/26/2021 08:30 AM	If we don't take care of what we have, then there will be a diminishing use and support of parks and facilities that bring equal access to the public.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 08:54 AM	I want to preserve baseball fields. There is a thriving South Boulder Little League community. Baseball needs well maintained fields and solid, predictable access.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 09:43 AM	Just not to let the facilities we have become delapitated or become obsolete.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 10:58 AM	As above, concerns about the growing homelessness camps and the associated trash/needles/etc.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 11:19 AM	Na
Janet 2/26/2021 02:48 PM	Boulder will toss out the 'old' and jump to something 'new' on a whim.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 09:07 PM	Homeless encampments along public walkways
Anonymous 2/26/2021 10:07 PM	That the leash rules on the baseball fields aren't enforced and the problem becomes worse.
Amy Dodd 2/27/2021 08:15 AM	Compared with surrounding communities, our tennis facilities are an embarrassment. There have not been new ones built in over 20 years.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 07:20 AM	I'm concerned that a child is going to get seriously hurt on one of the sports field due to lack of maintenance. Maintenance and updates have been lacking, particularly for non-premier sports facilities. Yes, Pleasant View is immaculate and Stazio is very good, but those are used on a limited basis due to cost and the gates are locked. You can't just show up at PV and kick the ball around with your kids. Satellite fields, particularly baseball diamonds at A7/MartinPark/Eisenhower/NorthBoulderPark are not maintained to the level necessary for those acivities. A baseball diamond required nearly daily dragging along with special attention after rain/snow events. Dogs and humans on the infield when muddy lead to footprints that can harden quickly and make play unsafe, i.e. baseball takes a bad hop and hits a kid in the face.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:01 AM	That the parts will fall into disrepair - I have no reason to believe that this will happen, and hope that the city will continue to fund parks as a public good and not rely on increased user/rental fees.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 09:51 AM	Families are looking for areas for their kids to play baseball, and they judge based on quality of facilities. Boulder has the tremendous opportunity to be a

hub of baseball activity during the spring and summer for team practices, league play, and regional tournaments. The higher quality the teams that make Boulder a destination, the more the city benefits in profile and revenue.

Anonymous
2/28/2021 02:47 PM

Above

Anonymous
2/28/2021 03:43 PM

Looking forward and trying to plan for the future

Anonymous
2/28/2021 05:57 PM

I worry that theere is no long range financial plan to maintain what we have.

Anonymous
2/28/2021 08:01 PM

If we can't play pickleball, people may contribute to over-crowding of open space, etc. Due to unavailable courts, pickleball players sometimes compete for platform-tennis courts.

Optional question (219 response(s), 241 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q8 "Financial Sustainability": Why is this important?

Anonymous
2/02/2021 07:55 AM

Financial stability is critical and dedicating enough resources to maintain our parks is critical.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 09:25 AM

I'd like City government to live within its means without looking for tax increases to expand services. I'd also like new development to fully pay its own way with fees for parks on other public amenities.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 09:42 AM

The parks should maintained and sustained by reliable funding.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 11:00 AM

Covid has hit the City hard due to reduction in salestax revenue.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 12:16 PM

Money seems tight!

Anonymous
2/03/2021 12:39 PM

To ensure current property is well cared for, and that regular expenditures allow for a financial buffer to handle new costs of environment impacts (fire, flood) - having a reserve to handle unanticipated needs

Anonymous
2/03/2021 12:49 PM

Council needs to budget to protect what we have in place and keep it renovated and current with other communities.

Anonymous

Can't do anything else well unless you take good care of the money that you

2/03/2021 02:52 PM	have.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:07 PM	It is the base from which all other efforts will be advanced.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:13 PM	Boulder is expensive enough
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:17 PM	budgetary constraints
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:57 PM	City general fund tax revenues cannot support parks and recreation services in difficult financial times.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:02 PM	Everyone has to work within a budget. The greatest ideas in the world are only realized with funding.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:06 PM	It’s not important. Taxes are too high in boulder and they need to be reduced.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:11 PM	Growth along the front range is not matched by growth in the Boulder tax base. The City of Boulder and Boulder County are providing recreational opportunities for other counties without being reimbursed for the costs of maintenance or the burden imposed on local residents.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:17 PM	We need to be smart about how we spend our money. As we recover from this pandemic, and perhaps prepare for others, we need to make sure we have the financial resources to care for the assets we currently have. New facilities and spaces would be wonderful, but we need to be careful not to overextend with such an uncertain financial future.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:47 PM	One will not be able to continue existence without financial sustainability
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:12 PM	Responsibility of all of us, whether in our private, corporate or public lives.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:40 PM	Financial sustainability must be kept in mind so that we can maintain the resources provided to the community.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:41 AM	Because this ties into all of it. Withoutresponsible budget management we can’t have nice things, take care of things, have any programs, or do any long term planning.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:50 AM	We already spend a great deal on open space and need to manage what we have.

Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:56 AM	We need to live within our means.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:35 AM	Without money, the system will fall apart.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:35 AM	Well, we have to be able to afford to maintain, enhance, and improve our trail system.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:48 AM	See #7
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:49 AM	Boulder county government is huge and bloated, time to cut back
Anonymous 2/04/2021 08:36 AM	Like I said, we cant build more and not take care of what we have. Seems like lots of money is thrown at the homless issue but nothing works
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:51 AM	Really? As I said above, we must maintain what we have and possibly add new lands before we get fancy.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:37 AM	per above
Anonymous 2/04/2021 02:26 PM	I'm pretty debt averse, so I tend to want others to be fiscally sound.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 04:00 PM	Supporting all of the above factors can be hard to do without a well balanced budget and adequate cash reserves. Everyone wants parks and lights and paths, but saving for the future while instituting reasonable projects seems like a very effective way to run this organization.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 07:12 PM	My previous answers re: "Taking Care of What We Have" also apply to this. I'm a long-time Boulder resident who has watched my taxes increase steadily even as the tax base has also increased. Wanting more means paying more; taking care of what we already have still has real costs, but is often more effective and efficient than new acquisitions, new facilities, etc. My finances are stressed enough, thank you!
Anonymous 2/05/2021 06:11 AM	Can’t maintain anything if you run out of money
Anonymous 2/05/2021 07:03 AM	Stupid question. The entire world is in need of financial sustainability.
Anonymous	Parks and Rec requires adequate funds to provide the staff, equipment, and

2/05/2021 04:49 PM	other resources needed to implement and preserve its programs.
Anonymous 2/06/2021 02:11 PM	Need the money to make it happen and I'm tired of paying increasing taxes and not really seeing the payout (sorry, but it's true. My City services don't seem to be keeping up with taxes). So, you gotta find resources to make the critical changes. I also think entrance fees to the facilities are a limitor (Res specifically and definitely some of the other pools, Rec. Centers). So entry fees aren't the answer either. Get creative!
Anonymous 2/08/2021 02:54 PM	Job security and it takes people to maintain what we have
Anonymous 2/08/2021 03:34 PM	IN order to maintain services for the community we need to ensure our business model is such that we can maintain our spaces adn provide those opportunities for community health adn well being
Anonymous 2/08/2021 11:05 PM	Because wasting community and tax payer money is never good.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 07:42 AM	Orient to long-term stability, protect jobs, ensure that when services are offered they can be relied upon for years to come
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:41 AM	Businesses and services can not survive in the long term if they are not financially sustainable.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 10:28 AM	as many of the BPR facilities as possible need to be self sustaining from a financial standpoint. The COVID financial crisis proved this
Anonymous 2/09/2021 01:06 PM	Keeping fees reasonable for all to enjoy the facilities. The golf fees are way too much
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:00 PM	Maintaining what we have.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:36 PM	if we can't afford the upkeep it will be a waste of money
Anonymous 2/09/2021 03:34 PM	Without financial security, we have nothing. None of the other things matter if facilities can't be maintained, staffed or advanced via technology.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:02 PM	increasing cost of living of Boulder, in part driven by increasing property values and property taxes is not sustainable
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:25 AM	Everything needs funding for maintenance...

Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:34 AM	Our eyes are always bigger than our stomach and while I applaud our sometimes lofty aspirations here in Boulder, without the ability to find financial sustainability we won't meet any of our goals.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:42 AM	Only when spending wisely and sustainably will help build public trust in local government's financial and management competence.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:55 AM	I think most folks agree that budgets should be balanced, debts paid prior to seeking massive investments in new projects, and the future accounted for as much as possible (both with savings and contingency). Our world changes rapidly and the most costly of any investment is in the manpower it takes to get work done. I don't think that should be skimped on because people are important.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:03 AM	If it’s not sustainable it will not endure, it will degrade.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:39 AM	Without a secure financial foundation, nothing else matters.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	Our work is accomplished through funding and without it we cannot take care of what we have
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:48 AM	Future budgets post-covid are uncertain and it is important for all city departments to focus on financial sustainability.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:49 AM	The City manages millions of dollars and should do it well. Part of managing money is to do it Sustainably. I think the City needs to take a hard look at how they manage internally.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:38 PM	
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:44 PM	because money is now limited, budget is tight
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:58 PM	So we can keep trails and old buildings maintained. Empty garbage & dog poop. Continue to offer concerts in the Chautauqua. Have clean pools & tennis courts for citizens to use.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:23 PM	Any proper planning to be financially stable. It would be silly to take on more than we can offer. Existing residents should not pay a penalty for an over expansion
Anonymous 2/10/2021 06:56 PM	Pretty simple - I try to be financially frugal and I’d like to see our taxes stay the same.
Anonymous	All other goals are not feasible without first being financially stable.

2/10/2021 11:37 PM

Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:07 AM	Ensuring the various parks have enough money for capital improvements and operating cash for routine mx
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:34 AM	Because if it’s financially sustainable then the impact in Boulderite’s pockets is smaller
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:36 AM	We need to end the tax, it just seems to go on and on and on and on and on.....
Anonymous 2/11/2021 08:23 AM	Managing our park system to need less 'maintenance' ultimately saves money and rewards with the beauty of our natural environment.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 09:51 AM	to be good stewards of our community. Maintaining a balanced budget and keeping costs down while offering exceptional service is challenging.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 08:43 AM	if not financially sustainable, everything will definitely run down.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 10:37 AM	Although Boulder residents are wealthy and have funded open space, nothing lasts forever. Residents have trusted Boulder to manage funds well.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 02:42 PM	City should provide more funding to this to promote a healthier community. Rates are higher than other communities and the facilities and sub-par.
Anonymous 2/17/2021 09:07 AM	Financial sustainability is important because we're already falling far behind on necessary maintenance and repairs to our facilities. $16M in backlog maintenance is unacceptable and clearly shows when you visit parks throughout our system. This past year has only exacerbated this situation, with even less money and resources going to the general maintenance and repairs of our parks, even though park usage has dramatically increased. The longer these go undone, the more these issues compound themselves into even larger problems while also incurring greater costs.
Marja Duggan 2/19/2021 07:12 AM	Keep raising taxes to buy more open space
Anonymous 2/19/2021 08:16 AM	City of Boulder is adept at whining...we have no money...therefore we must grow...get smarter with what we have!!
Anonymous 2/19/2021 08:53 AM	Without financial sustainability, not possible to maintain.
Jim Goers 2/19/2021 08:55 AM	Improvements can't happen without being Financial sound.

Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:00 AM	I am not a financial guru. But if "sustainability" is meant to suggest that everything Parks and Rec provides should fund itself, this is a wrong-headed idea. Community members pay taxes precisely so that they can pursue pasttimes that are not necessarily profit-making ventures. It is Parks and Rec's responsibility to make sure that parents can take their children to the neighborhood park and find safe playground equipment and clean restroom facilities there without having to worry about whether it's cost effective. Ditto for tennis courts, soccer fields, etc.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:26 AM	Continued fiscally constrained budget environment for the RAF. Important to look on the long-term fund health, while balancing immediate needs.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 07:00 AM	Nothing works unless it is financially sustainable. New programing (unless it is a trial run and might be replacing another program) should not be started without an appropriate revenue stream.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 03:16 PM	It is important for keeping the existing structures in good condition.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 06:02 AM	Without solid financial practices our department cannot function. This also ensures that we set aside monies to take care of the things we have and do not take on too many resources without the ability to sustain them.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:28 AM	It is important to not take on new debt or raise taxes. Live within your means.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 01:12 PM	Attending to increasing and competing demands means being fiscally smart. Our recreation centers are a treasure.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 09:16 AM	It’s a requirement
Morgan_Gardner 2/26/2021 08:19 AM	The pandemic made it clear that BPR is especially susceptible to economic downturns, and it was really painful to see so many staff furloughed because of our reliance on sales tax revenue. So many of our services, projects, and facilities have been impacted this year because of it.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 09:19 AM	So you won't cease to exist or take proper care of our assets.
Janet 2/26/2021 02:48 PM	Lets not tax the average Boulder resident more than Boulder does. Boulder needs to always look at financial sustainability.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:30 AM	Duh!
Anonymous	I feel like as a tax payer we pay a high sales tax to parks and open space

2/28/2021 02:47 PM
and not sure we are getting our money's worth.

Anonymous
2/28/2021 03:44 PM
Taxing Boulder citizens more each year will continue to make Boulder one of the expensive cities in the US. We all need to live within our current means not our desired resources.

Anonymous
2/28/2021 05:57 PM
I think our facilities need long range financial planning to maintain and improve our facilities.

Optional question (89 response(s), 371 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q9 "Financial Sustainability": What hopesdo you have for the future?

Anonymous
2/01/2021 03:20 PM
test

Anonymous
2/02/2021 07:55 AM
Financial stability is critical and dedicating enough resources to maintain our parks is critical.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 09:42 AM
City parks are lacking in number. The city could buy more empty land or lots.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 11:00 AM
Hopefully salestax revenue will go back up soon.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 12:16 PM
Continue to differentiate pricing to subsidize higher quality youth programs for low income families

Anonymous
2/03/2021 12:39 PM
That the City of Boulder has sufficient funding for primary services, but also re-evaluated previously approved expenditures to reprioritize when emergencies arise.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 12:49 PM
Keep what we have in good shape and build more as needed to keep a current level of facilities to enjoy for the community so everyone can have access.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 03:07 PM
That the PR Department's strong track record of community engagement and overall shared core mission ownership continues over many years. With a well-defined mission and a community that's well engaged in the development and support of the system to sustain it, one or several challenging time periods will not destroy the core of the system.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 03:13 PM
No increasing costs to maintain the beautiful spaces and features we have

Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:57 PM	I hope that P&R creates a financial sustainability plan that charges fees for recreation services based on ability to pay, and prioritizes general fund contributions to keep parks open, clean and safe and provides subsidies to low income residents.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:02 PM	That there is enough budget to protect what you have with enough left over to continually improve.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:06 PM	That taxes in boulder will be significantly lowered and the city's staff reduced as well.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:11 PM	Increased contribution from the State.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:17 PM	My hope is that we will be good stewards of both our financial and property assets so we never have to defer maintenance or sell properties. We need to take care of what we have.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:47 PM	A better balanced budget
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:12 PM	Logic and scientific thinking.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:40 PM	That Parks & Rec engages with the pickleball community to support us raising funds for the courts. This is a model that has been used in many communities around the country.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:50 AM	Lower taxes
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:56 AM	That we don't overextend ourselves with new projects that will cost too much up front or in maintenance costs that we can't continue to support things like passes to low-income citizens and silver sneakers members
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:35 AM	Continue to upgrade and augment our park system.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:48 AM	That Boulder finances the existing needs of our population and doesn't go off on some idea that creates a money pit
Anonymous 2/04/2021 08:36 AM	Less layoffs, furlough days etc for BMEA.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:51 AM	A well maintained park system with convenient access to Boulder citizens.

Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:37 AM	meeting needs of the majority of tax payers
Anonymous 2/04/2021 02:26 PM	That we will utilize ongoing funding, and grant sources in a responsible manner.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 04:00 PM	Sustained success and connectivity of Boulder Parks & Paths through the adequate financial planning and assessment of cash and cash reserves.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 07:12 PM	More of a steady-state equilibrium rather than a continuing upward trend. Yes, costs rise due to inflation, and more people means higher maintenance needs. But really, my hopes for the future are in the title of this question: financial sustainability.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 06:11 AM	Assure we have financial stability by not spending money on things that don’t have a tangible result.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 07:03 AM	That your programs will be financial sustainable.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 04:49 PM	More creative ways to generate funds, such as charging non-city users extra, setting up a fund/foundation where the public can donate to support their favorite programs (unless the Boulder Community Foundation already allows for that).
Anonymous 2/06/2021 02:11 PM	Parks and Rec are viable and I don't have to pay any higher entrance fees.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 02:54 PM	That no more jobs will be lost and that long empty positions or new needed positions will be funded
Anonymous 2/08/2021 03:34 PM	Rebound from COVID and be able to get to a place financially to offer a wide range of programs adn services to the community to help maintain health and wellness at a affordable price
Anonymous 2/08/2021 11:05 PM	I hope we keep out crony capitalism even at the local level - Boulder city and Parks and Rec level. Don't give-in to the "local" developer sweet heart deals and keeping everything transparent at the Parks-Rec and City planning level.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 07:42 AM	This one isn't as glamorous or flashy, but that with circumspect planning, the department can minimize layoffs and service reductions in the face of future shocks. Flush years could be used to further stabilize funds and resources.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:41 AM	Continued maintenance and capital improvement of aging city facilities and parks.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 10:28 AM	business models will be monitored so that financial sustainability is a priority

Anonymous 2/09/2021 01:06 PM	Making sure there are programs that will bring in paying customers. Recruiting instructors that draw crowds, once allowed.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:00 PM	Improving what we have.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:36 PM	that we value the parks and recs enough to adequately fund it
Anonymous 2/09/2021 03:34 PM	My hope is that programs and facilities can grow and offer more
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:42 AM	Spending where is most needed and urgent and making the policy and spending as transparent as possible and open to changes and response to feedbacks as efficiently as possible.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:55 AM	I hope the community sees the value and benefit compared to the costs of various programs. I also wish there was a way for folks that work in Boulder but live in the County adjacent (for instance, weird properties in Gunbarrel that for some reason are County despite being surrounded by City) were able to utilize some of these benefits as we do pay for them as we're so much a part of the City and just unfortunately for some reason renting outside-within it.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:03 AM	That we be prepared for bad times.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	That future budgets are built to take care of assets along with sufficient staffing levels
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:48 AM	That creative funding outlets are used.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:49 AM	That we are always in a position to weather pandemics and other natural disasters.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:38 PM	
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:44 PM	that art studios , music venues, parks and rec facilities/programs are permanently cancelled, closed
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:58 PM	That we charge non-residents to help with maintenance & continue to do fund raisers through the arts.
Anonymous	Keep the governmental park and rec offered while rehabbing dilapidated

2/10/2021 02:23 PM	areas
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:37 PM	That we can use our limited resouces to maintain existing facilities at the quality we have enjoyed in the past.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:34 AM	That things keep being as is
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:36 AM	reduce the need for mineral extraction on the property.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 08:23 AM	So many priorities for our tax income. Parks are hugely important, but not the most important.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 09:51 AM	that we see a rebound of sales tax and rev.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 10:37 AM	perhaps a more fiscally conservative approach.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 02:42 PM	DESIGNATED PICKLEBALL COURTS FOR OUTDOORS!
Anonymous 2/17/2021 09:07 AM	I hope the city would prioritize maintaining what they have before spending on large capital improvement projects. It's not sustainable to defer maintenance and repairs while pumping money into new buildings, pools, visitor centers, etc.
Marja Duggan 2/19/2021 07:12 AM	More open space in boulder county
Anonymous 2/19/2021 08:16 AM	Improve our relationship with CU and our neighboring towns so there is a county and even larger area plan for parks and open space...Grow up!!! We are more than the Republic of Boulder!!
Anonymous 2/19/2021 08:53 AM	none
Jim Goers 2/19/2021 08:55 AM	Grow and support more programs for Seniors.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:00 AM	My hopes for the future would include a more expansive view of what the City should be providing for its citizens in terms of local parks and sports facilities. Boulder has a very deep-pocketed tax base. The fact that Parks and Rec is just getting by on a maintenance budget in inexcusable. This simply means that the City of Boulder is not giving a big enough piece of the budget pie to

	this Dept. For Parks and Rec, "sustainability" simply means that the City should reprioritize its funding for them.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:26 AM	Greater reserves in every fund. Ability to get to an "action" or "vision level" of programming.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 06:02 AM	I hope we can get back to a more stable financial situation, but recognize this will take several years. I would love to see our department have a more consistent way in which we price services - I don't think anybody uses the same budget sheets or formula.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:28 AM	Spending restraint- painting pickleball lines on existing tennis courts is very inexpensive (doubles the usage of one court) and benefits many.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 01:12 PM	We would hope that programs would be studied for their viability and public interest and participation. For example, my sport is pickleball, which can be played on marked outdoor tennis courts, with p-ball nets, and indoors as well. It appears that designating the uses of the courts/programming should take respective numbers and interest in consideration.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 09:16 AM	Thank you
Morgan_Gardner 2/26/2021 08:19 AM	We'll be able to identify and secure better ways to fund the department so that another recession doesn't hurt quite so much.
Janet 2/26/2021 02:48 PM	Better use of tax payer dollar. End of the latest whim.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:30 AM	I hope Boulder doesn’t have to keep raising taxes.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 02:47 PM	More transparency and accountability. My hopes is for strong management that micro manages expenses and demands a high level of output form parks staff.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 05:57 PM	I hope the funds will be available to sustain our facilities in good condition

Optional question (73 response(s), 387 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q10 "Financial Sustainability": What concernsdo you have for the future?

Anonymous 2/02/2021 07:55 AM	Financial stability is critical and dedicating enough resources to maintain our parks is critical.

Anonymous 2/03/2021 09:42 AM	That the funding for parks will drop off.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 11:00 AM	Covid has hit the City hard due to reduction in salestax revenue.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:16 PM	budgets are tight
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:39 PM	If we find ourselves in another season where the Federal administration delays/denies FEMA expenditures (potentially for 8 yrs), that Boulder can handle it's on costs at least without layoffs
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:49 PM	Not enough money being directed to parks/rec and facilities will downgrade even more.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:07 PM	Even with a highly sustainable system in place, as in #3 above, multiple challenging time periods in which the system is repeatedly compromised may certainly occur, and require such frequent or large adjustments of the larger City of Boulder system as to throw the PR Department system (or really, any of the City Departments) far out of balance in a way that is difficult/ impossible to recover.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:13 PM	Costs become exorbitant, projects do not get finished without increasing funds.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:57 PM	My concern is that loud voices in our community will insist on continuing services that we can no longer afford.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:02 PM	Visitors loving it all to death.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:06 PM	The programs the city tries to implement are not sustainable. The city of boulder has too many programs that are underfunded. So get rid of affordable housing, transportation planning, and many social services programs. Then properly fund infrastructure and the police so they are the best in the nation.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:17 PM	I am concerned that the pandemic has created a financial future that will be quite different moving forward. We cannot continue to raise taxes to fund new and expanded programs without demonstrating we can take care of properties and facilities to which we are already obligated.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:47 PM	Certain programs and things being cut
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:12 PM	Losing the good to endorse some stupid idea (like Boulder running their own energy company. Thank the Lord that has ended.)

Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:50 AM	That the money is spent on outreach and other nonsense instead of trail construction.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:56 AM	That people will want new buildings when old are still viable and we'll cut programs for underserved, poor, elderly, etc to pay for that
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:35 AM	We don't have the money to keep our system in good condition.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:48 AM	That our leadership seems to find ways to spend large sums on pet projects.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 08:36 AM	Having the folks with boots on the ground still have jobs.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:51 AM	I do not want to see the current facilities deteriorate in favor of new outreach programs.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:37 AM	per above
Anonymous 2/04/2021 02:26 PM	Too much reliance on debt and taxes.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 04:00 PM	See above.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 07:12 PM	Boulder has grown in population and economic status. That could bring a desire on the part of city managers and electeds to continue to seek things with the biggest bling, most glitter, trendiest coolness. Nix to that. Keep it real.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 06:11 AM	Boulder will spend too much on diversity and inclusion and then not be able to actually physically maintain facilities because they run out of money
Anonymous 2/05/2021 07:03 AM	Administrative costs
Anonymous 2/08/2021 02:54 PM	That we are spending a lot of money on CIP, planning and development unnecessarily.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 03:34 PM	less resources more demands and ever increasing cost of doing business
Anonymous 2/08/2021 11:05 PM	Better operations management at all facilities. reduce water and utility consumption so we can keep the Rec centers as a affordable option for long-

	time residents not just for the new, young, and Techy residents.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 07:42 AM	Reliance on recreation revenue and sales tax (particularly the former) - Rec as a "volume based business" shows its weakness in times like these. How can we insulate from year-to-year shocks and funding changes?
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:41 AM	Being able to survive future pandemics and natural disasters.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 10:28 AM	that RAF funding will become a bigger and bigger "crutch" to keep facilities operating
Anonymous 2/09/2021 01:06 PM	That present managers will try to go virtual for programs. Virtual can be ceased for free. This will not generate income for programs
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:00 PM	Budget Cuts.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:36 PM	there's never enough money so choices have to made
Anonymous 2/09/2021 03:34 PM	n/a
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:02 PM	Boulder becoming too expensive to support a healthy diverse community
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:25 AM	COVID impacts on small businesses/venues
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:42 AM	Rising taxes and regulations without actually helping the local community and businesses in a positive way.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:55 AM	Costs continue to rise. I'm concerned we don't have long term maintenance cost, manpower cost increases, and a general contingency accounted for.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:03 AM	Bad things happen, be prepared.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:39 AM	Spending money on inessential and fluff programs will detract from the core purpose and mission.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	A deepening economic crisis that will cause to not be able to take care of what we have
Anonymous	That pay-to-play funding structures may be put in place that preclude lower-

2/10/2021 10:48 AM	income users from participating and using facilities. All Boulder residents should have access, regardless of income, though non-Boulder residents should be considered differently.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:49 AM	That we over spend!
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:38 PM	
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:44 PM	above --- loss of the above
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:58 PM	The economy has been taxed by the pandemic. Upkeep of our resources could diminish.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:37 PM	Concern that resources will be wasted on creating new spaces as existing ones fall apart or become unusable.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 06:23 AM	Continue to grow, maintain and refresh existing infrastructure without extending resources.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:34 AM	If use is reduced then the revenue is decreased and the cost per user increases
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:36 AM	over use by people and lack on understanding that some land should always be off limits.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 08:14 AM	Tax income for the city has been down. I am worried it will impact parks and rec
Anonymous 2/11/2021 08:23 AM	Less funding.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 09:51 AM	That the rebound from COVID will take longer than expected and rev will not recover.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 10:37 AM	Spending everything and then asking for more $
Anonymous 2/17/2021 09:07 AM	I'm concerned that the city will continue to direct funding away from areas within the park system that actually need it for the routine maintenance, repairs, and enforcement needed to keep our parks healthy, safe, and meeting the needs of the community.
Marja Duggan	Not enough money to maintain the trails.

2/19/2021 07:12 AM

Jim Goers
2/19/2021 08:55 AM
Improvements fail to meet expectations.

Anonymous
2/19/2021 11:00 AM
As much as I support the City Council's efforts on municipalization, providing shelters for the homeless, dealing with commuting issues, etc., I fear that if they continue this macro focus without realizing that there are some smaller, simpler issues (parks funding, street repair, and the like) that cannot be postponed or ignored any longer, then the quality of life will continue to deteriorate in the city and surrounding area.

Anonymous
2/19/2021 11:26 AM
Focusing on the financial aid program and "missing middle" access to programs and facilities.

Anonymous
2/23/2021 06:02 AM
I am concerned by the amount of subsidy our department uses as a whole, as I feel that makes us less resilient and more vulnerable, as has been shown by the pandemic.

Anonymous
2/23/2021 09:28 AM
Concerns are out of control spending and raised taxes.

Anonymous
2/24/2021 01:12 PM
Not sure.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 09:16 AM
Thank you

Morgan_Gardner
2/26/2021 08:19 AM
We continue relying on insecure funding methods and have to see this happen again.

Janet
2/26/2021 02:48 PM
Boulder will continue to go down a 'waste the taxpayer's money' path. Remember we do not all work for Google.

Anonymous
2/27/2021 10:30 AM
I don’t want higher taxes, just lower total spending on unnecessary stuff.

Anonymous
2/28/2021 02:47 PM
That we have became a huge bureaucratic system that feed on itself and doesn't demand performance from it's employees because theirs little accountability to the public.

Anonymous
2/28/2021 05:57 PM
TI worry that long range planning will not be adequate to care for our facilities

Optional question (69 response(s), 391 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q11 "Building Community Relationships": Why is this important?

Anonymous 2/03/2021 09:25 AM	There are so many great community organizations to partner with to bring engaging activities and a diverse user population to the parks.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:45 PM	We are seniors who need to meet people in our community young and old! We all need to learn from each other and share experiences and information.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 01:39 PM	Want a strong community
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:15 PM	Building community relationships is important because parks and trails are at the heart of Boulder's identity, but they are not accessible to all/current programs alienate many residents. Strong community outreach will make a strong community.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:35 PM	The rec centers and other pNr facilities provide a unique opportunity for folks from all different parts of our community to gather and get to know one another.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:53 PM	There are sports organizations that could use municipal support.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:18 PM	We need to address social and cultural inequities
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:40 PM	Pickleball is the perfect sport for building new relationships and enhancing existing ones. It is a fun activity played by young and old, women and men, able bodied and physically limited, etc.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 10:19 PM	Building trust and allowing us to make strong connections with each other in a community helps us to work together to reach for the stars and create anything that we are passionate about as a community.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 04:25 AM	For those young adults with physical and mental disabilities
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:30 AM	With Boulder continuing to grow it would be ideal to keep the small town feel it always has had vs losing to a big city feel
Anonymous 2/04/2021 08:23 AM	Because Parks and Recreation should never stand alone. You can support other organizations in the community empowering THEIR subset of community to participate in sport, recreation, and land use.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 11:50 AM	To get feedback

Anonymous 2/04/2021 02:37 PM	The only way to build community is through relationships. This town is very economically split. Perhaps a way to bridge the gap is by trying to build more community relationships.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 02:44 PM	Rec centers are a shared space that bring people together. The weight rooms are nice I suppose, but I can lift anywhere. I come back time and again because I like the people I engage with.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 03:20 PM	People meeting other people in places for everyone with low barriers to access are most important to create a great city.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:26 PM	We invest energy and time in what we feel a connection to. It’s important to form relationships within our community that solidify and deepen friendships over the years. If we are fond of our community and those within it, it shows. When we are passionate about something we invest time, energy, and our hearts. It’s a reflection on the community itself.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:57 PM	We are all in it together. Not just certain groups or people
Anonymous 2/04/2021 07:08 PM	When we know our neighbors we take care of our neighbors.
sepideh 2/07/2021 07:15 AM	Building strong community relationships helps us build resiliency for natural disasters.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:42 PM	When Parks and Rec spun off the Pottery Lab, it demonstrated that the department was uninterested supporting the cultural life of Boulder's citizens. But Boulder is a community. As we come out of this terrible pandemic, now is particularly important a time to rebuild the community. Now is a particularly important time to focus on supporting existing programs even if they are not directly managed by the city.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:53 PM	It's important that the community is cohesive for all residents of Boulder
Anonymous 2/09/2021 04:47 PM	The Expand program fostered relationships between participants and neurotypical teammates.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:44 PM	We are a community,
Anonymous 2/09/2021 09:03 PM	everyone likes it when they know the people they live near
Anonymous 2/10/2021 06:16 AM	More people using the facilities means more people to support them.

Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:46 AM	There are many programs that will fall by the wayside if the City doesn't support them which hurts Boulder as a whole. I have been here 31 years and would love to see even more partnerships with the city.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:50 AM	Parks and rec help build community. Our vibrant public spaces and recreation opportunities provide places for people of all backgrounds to meet and interact.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:53 AM	A community that has fun together and supports each other is a beautiful experience. Activities like story time in the open space, community concerts, dance performances make boulder feel special.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:55 AM	People are important. People are what build community and organizations that support that community. Organizations that are passionate about what we have here in Boulder often contribute to that sense of belonging and inclusivity - they also raise awareness about City programs and benefits and being deeply embedded in the system, can help others navigate it to pursue their own dreams.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:04 AM	It's critical to long term happiness. Creating a sense of community helps to engage people in their neighborhoods and support local causes and businesses.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:10 AM	I think this is a critical role of our public facilities
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:14 AM	We need to appreciate what we have now and learn from one another about the value in being different and celebrating differences. We all need to come together to support one another and the things that make us and our home special.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:30 AM	Boulder is becoming increasingly unaffordable as tech companies move in and prices sky rocket. The white upper class is driving out culture, accessibility and diverse offerings.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:32 AM	As a critical part of the community life of Boulder, P&R assets should be welcoming and supportive of all our diverse populations.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:39 AM	Because this is an investment into the mental health and wellbeing of community members. Education centers like the Pottery Lab, bring community members together so we can learn from each other, build relationships, and grow with each other! More options like this that are accessible to all peoples (not depended on $$) will help our community bond strengthen!
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:45 AM	Boulder has some wonderful parks and recreation facilities. Community outreach and thoughtful development of programs which may be more inclusive, including economic considerations, is important to encourage the use and availability of these resources to all members of our community.
Anonymous	Especially as we move forward out of the pandemic and specifically because

2/10/2021 10:47 AM	our community is increasingly made up of families who have moved here from elsewhere, do not have roots in Boulder County, I believe it is important to focus on the glue of what builds a community, investing in relationships through environmental education and the community arts.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:52 AM	Boulder already has extreme class divides that can be felt just about anywhere in town. It is evident that this divide can create a toxic culture and a culture of the have's and have nots. By promoting community events and building relationships within the community we can hopefully grow and build as a united inclusive front to better engage and support all members and stakeholders.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:04 AM	Building community relationships through engagement of Boulder citizens in cultural activities is vitally important because otherwise we all miss out on chances to be together and learn about cultures that are different than the pervasive whiteness that is everywhere all the time.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:41 AM	We, unlike other programs reach all ages and stages of our population.. We offer classes for all races . We offer classes for people with disabilities. We include students of all financial groups . We promote the community.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:42 AM	A healthy community is based on the health of relationships across social and cultural differences
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:45 AM	The Pottery Lab serves a diverse clientele ranging in age from 3 to 93. Working with clay is a practice as old as mankind and reaches across a broad spectrum of backgrounds as an equalizer and opportunity to build, explore, and interact in a art medium that supports unlimited exploration
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:42 PM	Because nothing happens in a vacuum. The more you can leverage the efforts of various organizations and individuals, the stronger our community will be.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:43 PM	Because Boulder works only if there is a real sense of community.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:50 PM	We are all in this together
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:58 PM	Encouraging access and education within a community is essential both for the citizens and the resources.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:20 PM	I work with the disablity community and the current theme is inclusion- which does not work for all members of this community. I believe a sustainable community will disregard current mandated ways of being and do what really serves.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:27 PM	The community needs to have "ownership" of the programs available. This gives these programs a tangible value to the community.

Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:37 PM	community relationships are important on at least two levels: between the city and the residents, and between residents themselves. P&R is uniquely positioned to be both ambassador from the government to the residents and amongst the residents. It's because of this unique position that this is important. I know that I feel much more connected to others and to the city when I attend a P&R event or location
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:44 PM	We need to have multiple avenues to come together and celebrate or learn as a community.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:27 PM	If the community is involved and has interest in a variety of the arts, then these folks will hopefully be willing to pay for classes, memberships...
Anonymous 2/10/2021 06:55 PM	Helping citizens to feel connected and engaged
Anonymous 2/10/2021 07:44 PM	Let's make sure all people have access. Too often the folks with time and skills fill the classes. Classes are taught in English. What a fabulous opportunity to expand our community's sense of the valuable diversity in Boulder to offer Spanish or other languages in the classes.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:14 PM	This town is the whitest town there is. I feel its really important to try and bring diversity and equality into it so it's not all white rich people. I work in the advertising field and the industry as a whole is looking to improve in this area as well, but makes it a challenge when you live in this city. There has been several very talent black individuals who have worked at ad agencies in town but end up leaving because the town is too white.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:19 AM	For the mental and emotional health of the Boulder community. People need fulfilling activities in their life to be happy and functioning individuals and they will then give back to the community.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 08:23 AM	Heathy community relationships provide more opportunity for education, outreach, and involvement across age groups, race and ethnic groups
Anonymous 2/11/2021 09:51 AM	Continuing to involve the community, pulling in partners when possible to help share programming and increase revunue.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:09 PM	We need to meet the needs of all community members, not just those who can pay
Anonymous 2/11/2021 06:52 PM	A connected community is a healthy, safe, and positive place. we need to be coming together despite all eco/scio levels.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 04:31 AM	Building community relationships is critical for survival. Humans are tribal by nature and without each other we cannot survive - especially as we approach the demands of our changing climate. With solid community relationships, a group of people can continue to utilize shared resources to meet the

	demands of anything that they face.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 02:00 PM	Strengthening communities and neighborhoods by providing services to promote involvement while focusing on healthy actions.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 03:02 PM	To engage with other residents
Anonymous 2/13/2021 10:05 AM	It is more important than ever, because of increased separation and isolation, that there are opportunities for young and old to be able to safely meet each other and play and laugh together. While Boulder has many opportunities for outdoor recreation and club sports, offering more community gathering spaces such as roller rinks would be welcoming to a more diverse group of individuals.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 08:20 PM	To try to promote togetherness
Anonymous 2/15/2021 02:04 PM	Because community is getting harder to find, which makes existing relationships extremely important.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 10:24 PM	Our family has been blessed with a partnership you created with Kinesis Dance. Our daughter started in the recreation centers and has gained friendships, family and her own community.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 01:50 PM	Our company as a whole likes to build community through bikes, so it is a value of ours.
Anonymous 2/17/2021 03:18 PM	I feel that the Boulder Community is changing and the Parks and Recreations department needs to be responsive to continue to be a positive for the community.
Anonymous 2/17/2021 03:54 PM	Community is defined by relationships. We can isolate or we can reach out and try to talk and listen and understand. The more we try to engage with others, the stronger we will be.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:26 AM	Helps unite all age groups in Boulder.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 12:36 PM	Our modern world tends to create "silos" - we need to work to connect.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 02:21 PM	Parks in Boulder are under utilized and seem mostly like camping grounds for less fortunate. The conversation around that needs to change and they need to become gathering centers for the community.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 03:50 PM	All citizens will be more invested in the work of P and R if they are included in plans and activities.

Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:11 PM	It is important to build community relationships so that we all feel a part of what is being created by Parks and Rec and the City
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:55 PM	Boulder is so white! Why? I believe we need to look at this in order to have a more diverse community that is more welcoming and more affordable. Also, something needs to be done about the part of the homeless population that scare many people, say and do nasty things, steal, and litter. There's such a divided mind in boulder on this topic. As far as I see it- there's homeless people who are scary and seem entitled and then there's homeless people who have mental illness, addiction, and whatever else going on that prevents them from being able to secure stable work and housing well are homeless. For instance, I know there's homeless women who don't feel safe to stay in the shelters. There's also non-homeless people who don't feel safe walking down certain streets. This is an issue in many places, but it seems to be getting worse in boulder. I don't have any solutions, but I know that "building community relationships" sounds like it's on the right track.
Player 2/21/2021 11:15 AM	Community without relationship isn't community.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 12:18 PM	Please chose to live in a place because they have a sense of belonging.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 01:02 PM	To build a reputation that Boulder is respected sporting town and creates public inexpensive opportunities.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 12:25 PM	Making our parks accessible to all, while not disrupting adjacent neighborhoods should be a priority.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 12:44 PM	Parks and Recreation needs to be a better neighbor to residents and businesses in the vicinity of facilities
Anonymous 2/22/2021 07:26 PM	It is nice to see collaboration between the City of Boulder and local businesses. Especially now. We need to be helping each other in our community.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 10:16 AM	Exercise and community are key to a healthy and happy town. Growing sports, like Platform Tennis, help promote community and are a great win-win solution!
Anonymous 2/24/2021 08:26 AM	The Front Range of Colorado has become a very busy place with people from many different walks of life. It is important to connect with our neighbors to build community and foster inclusiveness by learning about our neighbors. By building those connections it creates more of a small town community feeling which I think creates a stronger and more resilient community.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 07:00 AM	I've been in this community my whole life...I'm going into my senior years and watching the senior center leave EBCC was really concerning. Also, we are

	NOT a diverse community at all...never have been but that's changing and we need to make sure we are accommodating all individuals
Anonymous 2/25/2021 02:27 PM	Kids are leaving baseball programs in Boulder to play for club teams that have access to better facilities
Anonymous 2/26/2021 09:43 AM	There are fewer and fewer chances to form community, I think it's important to have a physical connection to the community.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 11:19 AM	Na
Anonymous 2/27/2021 09:19 AM	Although are area is getting more populated every year, we are still a community. It's important that everyone feel part of the community.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:45 AM	Life pleasures
Anonymous 2/28/2021 12:38 PM	I think it's important to make visible efforts to communities who are typically not heard (Black, Latinx)

Optional question (91 response(s), 369 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q12 "Building Community Relationships": What hopesdo you have for the future?

Anonymous 2/03/2021 09:25 AM	That existing community organizations can be strengthened and Parks enriched through cultural activities like concerts and dance outdoors.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:45 PM	Tai chi in the park! Or yoga or stretch class open to all and affordable!
Anonymous 2/03/2021 01:39 PM	Community diversity coming together
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:15 PM	I am hopeful that residents will have a stronger sense of community, and are able to take advantage of outdoor programs
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:35 PM	I hope that the funding will remain high enough to continue the wonderful programs the rec centers have traditionally provided.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:53 PM	I am hopeful that the city's Parks and Recreation Department can build a relationship with the Boulder County Bombers (Boulder's local roller derby leauge) to help support them in locating a place to practice/play/host bouts.

Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:18 PM	A reduction in social and cultural inequities.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:40 PM	I hope there is an opportunity to build a strong pickleball community in Boulder.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 10:19 PM	I'm hoping that through more connection with each other, we are able to create an inclusive community that thrives on creating a brighter, environmentally friendly, future for all those who are and will be involved in our community
Anonymous 2/04/2021 04:25 AM	There are healthy social opportunities through Expand for adukts with autism.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:30 AM	Similar response find ways to still feel connected despite the large increase of residents
Anonymous 2/04/2021 08:23 AM	That Boulder will build a roller skating space and partner with BOULDER COUNTY roller derby in order to bring that organization back from the brink! Roller derby is an incredibly community partner that can bring in a TON of tourism, money, and day to day recreation opportunities not afforded to these athletes and community members otherwise. This organization will die after a hard year of being without skating space, and THEN a pandemic!
Anonymous 2/04/2021 11:50 AM	Lots of input from boulder residents.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 02:37 PM	That the community will embrace cultural differences and celebrate them.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 02:44 PM	It'd be great to get pickleball leagues year round once Covid is behind us and some sense of normalcy returns. Dedicated outdoor pickleball courts would also be great.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 03:20 PM	Continued and improved access to everyone by adequate funding from government, community and national grants.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:26 PM	That there will be interactive community events. Community Building Hopes- Live music that crosses the boundaries of age & that is inclusive of all people. events that promote movement An indoor skating rink in Boulder County Art for ages Dance and movement in the parks classical music on the green, etc
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:57 PM	That we can have more ability to have more diversity in Boulder and share all the parks together w/o fear or retaliation
Anonymous 2/04/2021 07:08 PM	We can offer safe, inclusive, and diverse spaces.

sepideh 2/07/2021 07:15 AM	I hope that we do better at cultural equity, but I am skeptical because whenever we try to do this work, we add more jobs for white people with hardly any meaningful outcomes. We never build up Black and Indigenous People of Color (BIPOC) leadership in much around here.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:42 PM	I foresee a great pent up demand to use city facilities as we put the Pandemic behind us. I hope that the City supports existing facilities such as rec centers and parks, and continues its support for facilities not directly managed by the department such as the Pottery Lab.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 04:47 PM	I hope this program and these connections can continue
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:44 PM	Involved active citizenry
Anonymous 2/09/2021 09:03 PM	more relationships
Anonymous 2/10/2021 06:16 AM	The pickleball-Covid intersection is a good case in point: A lot of the people we used to play with at the gyms simply stopped coming because there was no organization of drop-in times at the outside courts like there had been with the gyms. This could have been done so much better, by collecting and using email addresses at the very minimum.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:50 AM	Some of my favorite events in Boulder history happened at city parks. Top of the list is the Red Zinger bike races at North Boulder Park in the 70s and 80s followed by the Kinetic Conveyance Race at the Boulder Reservoir and the more recent pro-cycling race on Flagstaff. Events like this help build community.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:53 AM	I hope we can support the arts and have community events
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:55 AM	I hope the City maintains and continues to build strong partnerships with various organizations. I hope the City recognizes that many members of the community here (especially the outdoors and recreational community) may not live within City limits but within the County and utilize these resources frequently. I hope the City figures out how to leverage that desirability with additional partnerships.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:04 AM	I hope that places like the Boulder Pottery Lab and Public Library will continue and grow.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:14 AM	Celebrations every summer weekend. Raging farmers markets. Enthusiasm for keeping our trails clean and staying on them. Passing of tribal knowledge in the community. Support for community members who are struggling.

Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:30 AM	To have more spaces the promote accessiblity and for cross pollination of cultures and classes.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:39 AM	More inclusivity! I have seen growth in this realm in the last year or so, but having sliding scale payment options for those who are less fortunate is amazing!
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:45 AM	I hope that the parks and recreation facilities will be utilized by all members of our Boulder community, providing opportunities for health, wellness, fitness, outdoor exploration, and the resources to make these things accessible.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:47 AM	I hope for a community that has a broad socioeconomic, multicultural, multiracial make- up that celebrates our commitment together about our long term responsibility to our local environment and that is actively engaged in art programs readily available within our fine little town and region.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:52 AM	I hope that there are events, councils and committees that are available for all and take an equitable approach to their work, recruitment and representation. It is important for all voices to be heard, represented and celebrated. I hope that there are real and holistic approaches to events, programming and leadership to help build a strong, healthy and inclusive community.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:04 AM	My hope for the future is that 2nd Baptist and their concerns for Black people's health and safety in the city of Boulder will be listened to and engaged with empathy and understanding.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:41 AM	It is our fervent hope to be able to provide a space for all the arts, not just pottery when we build our new facility.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:42 AM	To diminish the inequities
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:45 AM	The Pottery Lab already works with a number of children and youth but I would like to see public funding to sustain the facility plus school system funding to increase access by children, youth, and at-risk adults.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:42 PM	That all people feel welcome in Boulder and have the economic and cultural access to BE welcome here.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:43 PM	I want to see my neighbourhood survive.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:50 PM	Unity and ability for all to engage in art and exercise experience
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:20 PM	I hope we can let go of mandates and just be.

Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:27 PM	Continue with equity and inclusive programing
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:37 PM	Keep it up! Great progress so far
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:44 PM	That we are able to gather again.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:27 PM	Hearing what folks want, need, and working with the community who come from a variety of financial situations.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 06:55 PM	Services like Studio Arts can help to bring people together again
Anonymous 2/10/2021 07:44 PM	Outrach and clever summer programs and after school for physical and arts activities for kids who would not have access to private sports and arts.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:14 PM	Actually helping and building programs and things to help support and attract DIVERSE culture in this town. My wife and I bought black baby dolls for our kids when they were 2 because the classes were all white and not a single kid with different color skin and we wanted to make it known that there is all sorts of people in this world and not just people that look like them.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:19 AM	I hope the city of Boulder and Parks and Rec will continue a relationship with Studio Arts Boulder.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 08:23 AM	Even more great community events and programs. BPOS does a fantastic job of this and creates such a feeling of community.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 09:51 AM	fuller outreach in a productive manner.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:09 PM	more outreach services to schools and daycares,
Anonymous 2/11/2021 06:52 PM	Events, programs, and opportunities. And for the underprivileged families to have equal acces to the red centers, program, and events that they may not be able to afford
Anonymous 2/12/2021 04:31 AM	I invision a community that is radically inclusive. This means that we work together to insure that all are included in the conversation and that we resolve any gaps that exist now or in the future to resolve inequities. And that we build in programs that keep the conversation ongoing so that we are not blind-sighted by changes as they come.

Anonymous 2/12/2021 02:00 PM	Community gatherings and connections
Anonymous 2/12/2021 03:02 PM	To understand and appreciate what we all have to offer
Anonymous 2/13/2021 10:05 AM	I envision a roller rink where young and old can gather and laugh together. Roller rinks are often the only community center in US small towns, where birthday parties are held, youth gather on weekends, older citizens can still exercise or watch their grandkids, where roller derby teams provide exercise and camaraderie among skaters who wouldn't otherwise consider themselves as athletes, and where community can gather and cheer on local speed skaters and derby teams. An economically and age accessible indoor activity.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 08:20 PM	I hope we can be a kinder, friendlier community
Anonymous 2/15/2021 02:04 PM	Deeper community.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 10:24 PM	We hope you continue to support local businesses as partners. It seems to be so positive fir everyone.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 01:50 PM	That communities are created via the parks we have.
Anonymous 2/17/2021 03:18 PM	See 3
Anonymous 2/17/2021 03:54 PM	Better relationships with all of our community members
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:26 AM	Greater emphasis on community building in public spaces through events.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 12:36 PM	More partnerships for programs like the Walk with a Doc.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 02:21 PM	Community programming that draws in all types of people to enjoy company and culture together.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 03:50 PM	I hope that you will continue to reach out to communities like mine -- the Orchard Grove Mobile Home Park -- to help marginalized citizens become more involved with P and R resources.

Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:11 PM	I hope that Parks and Rec truly surveys the area around a park to find out what is desired there. Then certainly others should be surveyed. But then there should be a balance with what is requested. I am not supportive of your Public-Private partnerships as they are proceeding as it is not listening to the public and creates monopolies and is not supportive of free-enterprise.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:55 PM	More diversity, more inclusion, more affordability, multicultural events, art and music
Anonymous 2/20/2021 10:44 PM	Better outdoor spaces that are multifunctional that would allow for programs to bring the community together. We have a lot of spaces that are programmed for a singular use that dont lend themselves well for community gathering.
Player 2/21/2021 11:15 AM	That these relationships are fostered and strengthened.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 12:18 PM	I hope that Boulder creates more facilities that can be used to connect with people such as tennis courts and rec centers.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 12:25 PM	That the uniqueness of our parks be preserved as sanctuaries for residents and guests to enjoy.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 12:44 PM	More inclusive, family-oriented facility use and access.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 07:26 PM	More outreach from the city to youth.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 10:16 AM	We just hope that there is budgeting being committed for upcoming maintenance that the courts will need (ie. new screens in the next few years).
Anonymous 2/24/2021 08:26 AM	That BPR programs are focusing on education and outreach to inform the community about opportunities for citizens to come and do activities they love while having the opportunity to meet others who share their same passions and past times.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 07:00 AM	why can't Boulder Parks & Rec and surrounding communities work together allowing more access to one another's rec centers etc at the same fee? What is this nonsense?
Anonymous 2/25/2021 02:27 PM	It would be great if SCP ball field and Boulder High could work together to improve the facility. Also improve access for practice. BHS is at a disadvantage to all other schools because they can’t help maintain the field. Coach and kids could help with upkeep if they had access.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 09:43 AM	That people work together to build a great town.

Anonymous 2/26/2021 11:19 AM	Na
Anonymous 2/27/2021 09:19 AM	Mostly safe post-covid community events, like Boulder Concert Band parks concerts coming back.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:45 AM	Future relationships

Optional question (85 response(s), 375 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q13 "Building Community Relationships": What concernsdo you have for the future?

Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:45 PM	If we don’t learn to enjoy our neighbors we will be wary of each other
Anonymous 2/03/2021 01:39 PM	Parks that don't get utilized
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:15 PM	I am concerned that relationship/outreach programs will be centered around those who already frequently use parks (active, athletic, young) and do not attempt to reach more residents
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:35 PM	How the pandemic’s economic impact will affect rec center funding.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:18 PM	Boulder will be a place where all cultures and social groups are welcome.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 10:19 PM	im Concerned that we haven’t built enough “building blocks” to help engage underserved communities. I feel like we need to make sure that everyone is welcome in Boulder and is able to live here and engage with the community no matter if you have a disadvantage or not.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 04:25 AM	Expand will not get enough funding to expand their operations to support the demand for activities for young adults with disabilities.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:30 AM	that it will feel to crowded and unwelcome
Anonymous 2/04/2021 08:23 AM	That Boulder will continue to look inward and only partner with orgs that are familiar and comfortable (see Equity question).
Anonymous	Overcrowding.

2/04/2021 11:50 AM

Anonymous
2/04/2021 02:37 PM

That it is just a lot of lip service and going through the motions throughout the community. That people don't really want to build community, they just want to ensure their own self-interest.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 02:44 PM

Regarding pickleball, the number of players seems to be far greater than the number of available courts and it isn't even nice weather yet! I like the idea of supporting Boulder parks and rec, but lately I've been going to other places to avoid having to wait around and/or not play at all. I met my wife playing pickleball at your rec centers! I don't expect every stranger that meets on your courts will get married, but I do believe it is a testament to how powerful the concept of a communal playing space can be.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 03:20 PM

Health means more than just body - it must continue to include mental health. Even more community outreach - more neighborhood help/education at small group level.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 05:26 PM

That it takes great effort to meet people beyond "your" circle. Many young adults are losing interpersonal and social skills. I work in the medical field and see this. Bedside manner is slowly becoming a lost art. Having more opportunities to interact in person (post-Covid epidemic) can have a great impact on us- emotionally, psychologically, can promote confidence, etc.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 06:57 PM

That we don't move forward. You can't just keep them up. We need to move on with what we have first and make it work

Anonymous
2/04/2021 07:08 PM

That we will continue to cater to a single class of people.

sepideh
2/07/2021 07:15 AM

I am concerned that Boulder is going to continue to trend whiter because of the high cost of housing and the outdoor spaces will be inaccessible and inhospitable to people who are not rich.

Anonymous
2/09/2021 02:42 PM

Boulder seems more and more focused on supporting corporate and buissness "communities" at the expense of arts and recreation. We can't loose sight of why people came to Boulder in the first place, and we need to strengthen what we have first.r

Anonymous
2/09/2021 04:47 PM

That parks and rec won't recognize this critical need for fostering relationships between neurodiverse and neurotypical participants.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 09:50 AM

On the other hand, events like the Iron Man, which bring in many people from out of town (but very few locals) have the opposite effect and turn people off from parks and rec. There is a big difference between a public and a private event. Events that bring out the Boulder public are worth pursuing.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 09:55 AM

Building community relationships has become extremely difficult in the times of COVID-19. Gathering is restricted and online gatherings are difficult to identify, find and attend if folks aren't on social media. I think people want to

engage and shares their views and values but are concerned about how to do so safely. People feel isolated - which does not bode well for developing relationships. Some people have been aggressive towards others in public spaces (about masks, about the rules and regulations, taking up space and not sharing it or recognizing that others may want a turn). This will be a huge hurdle to overcome as it is really about changing hearts and minds and social norms.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:04 AM

I'm concerned that Boulder's population of extremely wealthy people force out any diversity that may contribute to a thriving and unique community.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:14 AM

As more people come from areas that don't have such special things and places to protect, they don't understand or appreciate how to foster the environment and opportunities we have in Boulder. Kids are also more and more glued to the indoors and their tech and we need to be teaching them about the world around them, far and near.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:30 AM

As stated previously, the multi-million dollar home market and all the entitlement that comes with it drives out cultural diversity, accessibility, arts programs, and programs for at-risk populations.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:39 AM

Limited space. As boulder community grows, I could see space for communal events/education centers being a limiting factor.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:45 AM

financial & accessability for all members of our community. I would hope that some time could be found to consciously review & create (if needed) programs which could serve all persons who live in Boulder, regardless of age, economic ability, cultural background, etc. I am most concerned about seniors and low income families and other persons, being left out either by: lack of resources; by thinking parks & recreation is not for people like them; by not being aware of resources & programs available; by needing a helping hand to take advantage of parks & recreation (financial, transportation, connection). These are some of my concerns.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:47 AM

My concern is that the town is full of very wealthy disconnected white elites, that there is not room for a diverse middle class in Boulder. At the same time, there is an invisible underprivileged group of individuals and families overlooked because the rich people all think they live in a bubble and have found paradise and therefore do not see problems directly in front of them. If I hear bubble once more I'll puke. Saying we live in a bubble is a way for people to not have to talk about the actual very realy problems that exist within our community. It's a lazy sweep in conversation. I'm really tired of it. :)

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:52 AM

As a middle class, white woman, if I feel like I don't belong in the "Boulder" culture I can not imagine how other populations feel in this community. We need to have a diverse representation in our community's leadership, event planning, and councils.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 11:04 AM

My concern is that people of color will continue to be dismissed and shoved aside in the wake of white entitlement in the city of Boulder.

Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:41 AM	Again, we believe that financial help, we can create a vibrant art community in Boulder which is needed.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:42 AM	Conversations and relationships about and with the land are challenging. My concern is a balance with land use, enjoyment and the importance of the natural world that is more than something for human use.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:45 AM	The Pottery Lab building is well suited to use as a pottery making facility. The building is historic and will need continuing care provided through public funding. The staff and clients provide needed day to day care and attention to safety.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:42 PM	If we don't address financial inequalities, Boulder will continue to become richer and whiter.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:43 PM	That the importance of existing And working neighbourhoods will not be considered in city planning.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:50 PM	Deterioration of our parks systems due to poor management or lack of funding
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:58 PM	Budget. If community relationships deteriorate than so will our facilities and resources.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:20 PM	We will be ruled by a scarcity mentality
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:27 PM	That expanded community relationships will be seen as frivolous.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:37 PM	I'm worried that the efforts may not extend to the odd little outlying-but-still-in-the-city areas, such as the islands of city structure in the Gunbarrel area
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:44 PM	I don't have any -- I trust the process.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:27 PM	Having all community members heard
Anonymous 2/10/2021 06:55 PM	People will continue to be isolated even after the pandemic
Anonymous 2/10/2021 07:44 PM	That we grab the opportunity to be an inclusive community.

Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:14 PM	That Boulder will continue to push out the poor, not build space for all walks of life...and continue to be the "bubble" it is, and whitest place on earth.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:19 AM	I'm concerned why the city of Boulder and Parks and Rec don't want to continue a relationship with Studio Arts Boulder.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 09:51 AM	none
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:09 PM	That there isn't enough money to support small programs like pottery lab or outdoor summer camp
Anonymous 2/11/2021 06:52 PM	That we can have greater diversity in boulder. That comes from smart community planning that allows for diverse housing
Anonymous 2/12/2021 04:31 AM	I am concerned that as we move forward there will be people left behind. We must work to insure that this is not the case.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 02:00 PM	Division of communities and interaction between them.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 03:02 PM	That not everyone will want to participate in the discussion
Anonymous 2/13/2021 10:05 AM	Concerned about increasing separation and polarization of groups that social media and divisive news sources are creating. Getting people together in their community to meet neighbors offline is important and needed!
Anonymous 2/13/2021 08:20 PM	Our differences will divide us
Anonymous 2/15/2021 02:04 PM	We are losing community connections.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 10:24 PM	Our only concern is outsourcing to folks outside of the Boulder community. We believe in supporting local.
Anonymous 2/17/2021 03:18 PM	A concern is that the Board is responsive to the Community and not their personal or business interests.
Anonymous 2/17/2021 03:54 PM	That we will become, like our nation, a collection of isolated groups who do only speculate what the "others" are like.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:26 AM	Aging population and changing demographics. Need to continue to support activities for all age groups without duplicating services provided by HHS, OSMP and other city departments.

Anonymous 2/19/2021 12:36 PM	Some members of the community may not feel welcome.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 02:21 PM	Safety because of transients
Anonymous 2/19/2021 03:50 PM	Some communities experience cultural and economic barriers to park use.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:11 PM	I have concerns that Parks and Rec is telling not asking. I am concerned that they will disregard many stakeholders and open the Boulder Reservoir after dark when it is more dangerous inside and out and disrespectful of nature and the surrounding neighborhoods.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:55 PM	More scary homeless people, being attacked, theft, being verbally accosted
Player 2/21/2021 11:15 AM	That they aren't.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 12:18 PM	That Boulder is only concerned with outdoor space rather than commu it facilities and clubs.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 12:25 PM	That we introduce services that change the character of our parks, impinge on adjacent neighborhoods rights and create dangerous situations, such as too many events and too much alcohol. There should be NO alcohol served for profit at our parks.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 12:44 PM	Boulder Reservoir should be a family-oriented facility not an event center for elite athletes and competitions.Most weekends during the summer the reservoir is closed for most or all of the day for public use due to special events.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 07:26 PM	All pandemic related. Less isn’t always more.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 10:16 AM	We will need to add two more courts in order continue spreading these relationships.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 08:26 AM	That our current political situation will divide the country more than it has been in the past and that will foster animosity between individuals of different races and backgrounds. The more we can bring people together and learn about our neighbors the more opportunity we have to break down barriers and build a stronger community.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 07:00 AM	division

Anonymous 2/25/2021 02:27 PM	Boulder high is loosing kids I. Their baseball program to other high schools because they have fields.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 09:43 AM	Everything is going digital and there is less and less a sense of real community, like I felt when I was young in Boulder.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 11:19 AM	Na
Anonymous 2/27/2021 09:19 AM	What will post-covid look like?
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:45 AM	None

Optional question (76 response(s), 384 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q14 "Youth Engagement and Activity": Why is this important?

Anonymous 2/02/2021 01:09 PM	We've all been impacted by COVD, but I feel youth and already marginalized youth pre-COVID are at greater risk. Getting youth connected to nature, experiential learning opportunities, and closing the educational gaps are important equity issue.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:16 PM	The rec center is the only large scale affordable option for low income families
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:45 PM	Busy youths are happy youths! We need our youth to be healthy accepting and respespectful of our parks and trails for their kids someday!
Anonymous 2/03/2021 02:52 PM	I think this group is the most important stakeholder. Helps with social connections, sense of community, and builds a sense of importance for a younger generation. Keep kids off their phones a bit!
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:39 PM	Primarily use these spaces with our kids.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:49 PM	Youth these days are even more stressed than ever. Suicides/attempts up and school shootings need to be prevented. Kids need an outlet that is not over the internet.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:06 PM	More teen centers. Places for kids to hang out in a safe environment. A place to play internet games and other games like pool and chess and maybe a Friday night game night.

Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:07 PM	because investing in our children is investing in our future ~ let's make it a good one :)
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:17 PM	kids spend more time than ever in front of computer screens
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:18 PM	Youth are the future.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:53 PM	Roller derby serves youth and the LGBTQ community. It is SO important that the city help leverage this opportunity for kids. This sport has been life saving for some youth who struggle with identity and self confidence issues.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:40 PM	I have young children and want them to have access to resources that will help them develop
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:43 PM	They are our future and need healthy guidance and experiences.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 10:19 PM	I've lived/grew up in Boulder. When I was in high school, we wanted to hang out with friends, but not at each other's houses. I feel like it's important to have a place where teens are welcome to have fun with friends outside of their homes, but later at night. In 2013-2014 there was nowhere to hang out, especially when you wanted to do fun things at night like dance, or just have a space to hang and be teens. I feel like if there was a safe space for teens to be teens at night, they might not be as tempted to turn to drugs or parties for fun. There was some sort of dance place on 29th street for a while, but I believed it closed.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:50 AM	Need trails that are close for my children.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:17 AM	Youth have become isolated and are losing human connection (in-person). Recreation opportunities need to be offered for all ages and economic levels for the youth in Boulder. Learning a sport or an artistic skill is vital for many youth.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:35 AM	Youth deserve good recreation programs and facilities so these healthy practices become part of their lifestyle.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:08 AM	Getting kids interested in nature helps build lifelong protectors of it.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:03 AM	Youth are future stewards of the land. By engaging youth we can foster a life long appreciation for nature, parks, and open space. The youth of today are voters of tomorrow; and will play a vital role in future management plans.
Anonymous	Healthy, active, engaged youth lead to healthy active and engaged adults

2/04/2021 10:37 AM

Anonymous
2/04/2021 12:21 PM

We must expose are young ones to the idea of conservation.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 02:44 PM

Kids are the future, I have no original thoughts on this topic (obviously)

Anonymous
2/04/2021 05:26 PM

It’s important for youth to feel that they have a place at the table. They are the future and many are great visionaries. We can learn from them. If they are engaged and respected, they will want to take part in the larger community.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 06:57 PM

Our youth need parks and places to play outside, especially with all the condos etc that don't have large spaces to play and hike and get exercise

Anonymous
2/04/2021 07:12 PM

Pull kids from screens/devices, duh! Smart kids can do wonders, but if they're not healthy they tend to have shorter lives and their benefits to society are similarly limited. So offer things that they enjoy (without violating the "financial sustainability" or "taking care of what we have" priorities) so they are self-motivated toward healthy activity.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 10:32 PM

The youth are our future. I feel we have an obligation to pass on what we have and facilitate exposure to nature as much as possible.

Anonymous
2/05/2021 10:37 AM

For many of the same reasons as "community health and wellness, but directed specifically at young people and their parents: improve quality of life, decrease healthcare costs, attract and retain residents. Since youth are our future, we contribute to a healthy future when we instill values for healthfulness in young people.

Anonymous
2/05/2021 02:55 PM

Our role as adults is to pass on the values of the open space to our youth

Anonymous
2/06/2021 02:11 PM

It's the crux of so many things. We need interesting activities and places for middle school through young high school to go and enjoy themselves recreationally. You have knocked it out of the park with elementary and younger - my kids LOVED everything about the City's programs. It's time to expand programming for the demographic who need it most. City camp counselor spots shouldn't be so dang competitive to get a spot - start there - expand summer opportunities for kids in middle and high school!

sepideh
2/07/2021 07:15 AM

With the further gentrification of Boulder, I worry that it will become a hostile place for young people to live so I would like there to be programs for kids.

Anonymous
2/09/2021 10:28 AM

icommunities that take care of their kids are strong communities

Anonymous 2/09/2021 01:25 PM	Youth seem to be less active than ever these days. Without building a foundation of physical and mental health at an early age, it may be lost permanently.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:04 PM	They are the future
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:31 PM	There participation will add to my exercise classes and pickleball games.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:44 PM	Kids who start active, stay active
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:38 PM	Youth are the future of community, environmental and planetary relationships. They learn from what their "elders" teach and provide as models of behavior - they learn "right" relationship with peoples and other life forms.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:42 AM	Because Boulder's average demographic is much older than neighboring communities and there is a severe lack of public services and facilities that help attract young families and families with kids. The local culture is getting very stagnant and stale due to the aging demographics.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:45 AM	Kids need open space to run and grow and stay healthy.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:48 AM	Kids are important! Supporting kids is also supporting parents.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:03 AM	They are the future and deserve the focus of our investment.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:06 AM	Youth programs, and activities guided towards youth, are so important for Boulder, or any community. Youth engagement benefits not only the youth but entire families of the community. Our parks and youth engagement help keep the children of our community healthy and safe, and creates a culture of community and pride towards the place they live.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:10 AM	Parks, art, and outdoor experiences are so important for shaping youth!
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:10 AM	Make our parks welcoming and accessible to all youth sports, education and mental health activities. Are parks are not used enough. Start young people on a life journey where they seek the joy of outdoors.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:14 AM	The youth are more powerful than people give them credit for and establishing good habits early will help them never have to re-learn how to be, and how to recognize and take care of the wonders around them.

Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:32 AM	It's central to a city, it invigorates community, keeps them healthy, and participating in their community.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:43 AM	There are so many challenges facing our youth and the city needs to attract more families from different social classes
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:45 AM	It is important because all youth need the experience of being active and deserve the experience of being in nature and learning the value of these things, which can set them up for a better life, and for a sense of belonging in our city and state.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:47 AM	Youth Engagement and Activity is an investment toward the future health of this area. Programs that invest in art, sport, environment and community service for our youth can provide a web of interconnection and community building through experience for children and young adults.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:48 AM	Giving kids access to as many opportunities: art, sports, nature, etc is vital for them to learn who they are and what matters to them and what they love to do. Creative outlets are vital for mental health.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:49 AM	Children are our future. School budgets are an embarrassment based global standard, and what we spend on the military. The reduction of the Arts and the elimination of Shop Class is a travesty.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:25 AM	Programs for youth create community.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:41 AM	Young people are our future. We need to nurture the artistic spirit in our youth. That is very important.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:45 AM	Schools, particularly in the COVID environment and with the emphasis of school systems on providing a specific knowledge base and skill set, are not able to spend optimal time or resources on building open ended and tactile experiences that stimulate all parts of children's growing capacity. This is especially important for "at risk" children. As a former elementary principal and school system director of instruction we were able to work with a local art museum to provide free weekly clay experiences and transportation during school hours for our most at risk children in third and fourth grade. It made a tremendous difference in their focus on academic work and in their growing focus and confidence.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:01 PM	Boulder needs a vibrant youth culture and connection to recreational assets that exist.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:42 PM	Young people are vital to an engaged and growing city.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:03 PM	Programs that expose kids to different activities is critical to help them discover interests

Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:28 PM	The Expand program that services kids and adults with intellectual disabilities needs to be a vital part of this community. It's one of the few outlets these people have for social interaction and physical activity.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:44 PM	kids need a place to grow that is art focused.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:44 PM	The youth are the future!
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:49 PM	We want youth to get to try new healthy activities
Anonymous 2/10/2021 06:55 PM	Connecting youth in productive activities helps to build community for the long term
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:37 PM	Encouraging youth to enjoy recreation activities improves public health in the long run and encourages people to become healty and well-rounded individuals.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:16 AM	young people need outlets, a youth center would be a great addition to Boulder
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:34 AM	To teach kids that there's more to it than just tv and video games
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:36 AM	without their interest, it is all for nothing. It will be sold off sometime in the future.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 10:16 AM	too many kids are sedentary.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 11:02 AM	Lifetime fitness. Community. Exposing youth to a variety of sports and activities is crucial for their minds and bodies
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:09 PM	our kids need places to go and practice their interests.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 02:28 PM	We need to get the google crowd and their children to SEE GREEN! Get engaged in making all of Boulder healthier and safer and slower and greener and more blissful!
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:20 PM	Depending on location, many youth do not have access to activities or recreational spaces that do not require driving. With nothing easy to get to, youth spend more and more time at home on screens or wandering around parking lots and shopping centers.

Anonymous 2/12/2021 04:31 AM	The children are the future. Providing them with opportunities and programs to enrich their learning will lead to a better future.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 12:04 PM	Kids need to explore and upheave opportunities to get off a computer.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 02:00 PM	Yes, if involved, they will stay involved.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 03:02 PM	All young people need their lives enriched with studio arts
Anonymous 2/13/2021 07:41 AM	See above comments.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 12:43 PM	Promotion of the importance of nature and healthy physical activities.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 07:54 PM	engage healthy actives at young ages will hopefully be beneficial long term for not just health but for studying and engage citizens in city sponsored events and activities
Anonymous 2/13/2021 08:20 PM	To give youth from disadvantaged backgrounds a wider perspective
Anonymous 2/14/2021 12:39 PM	A cliche but true--youth are our future, and the more we can provide them in terms of exposure to nature and to the arts, the more they will learn to protect and nourish these vital resources in the future. Arts experiences such as provided by the Pottery Lab are hard to come by at under-resourced schools, and likewise with experiences in nature, both of which are critical to young people exploring their full range of talents and interests and necessary to help them grow into their best adults.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 10:24 PM	As I stated earlier, our daughter fund her passion and community through dance.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 10:34 PM	I have 3 children.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 08:59 AM	giving youth a sense of purpose. Giving youth a sense of ownership.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:03 AM	Youth are the future of our planet, they need to engage on the importance of the ecological system, and the importance of Parks & Recreation.
Anonymous	Children need great engaging places to play and explore especially when too

2/19/2021 02:21 PM	young to hike or do other outdoor activities. Play structures that are more eco friendly and nurture skills one might desire to use in nature as they grow. Check out Wash Parks new playground in Denver.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 03:50 PM	Helping youth develop habits of physical activity and care for the environment is an important investment in the future of our community.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:11 PM	Especially now, youth need a place to let of steam to have healthy ways outdoors to reconnect not only with nature but with each other
Anonymous 2/20/2021 01:21 PM	Youth programs are very full. There is a need.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:55 PM	They’re our future adults of the community
Anonymous 2/21/2021 07:23 AM	Every person needs to find what makes their heart happy, the parks and rec deposit helped me give my kids experience that I couldn't teach them, that opened doors to them THANK YOU.
Player 2/21/2021 11:15 AM	Youth are the future of the community.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 12:18 PM	Our teens need to have safe places to hang out.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 01:37 PM	Kids need to get outside and off of screens
Anonymous 2/22/2021 12:44 PM	Lower-income youth are often precluded from organized sports teams due to family commitments and cost. Many of these families have limited opportunities and access to open space and water-based recreation. Boulder Reservoir used to be one asset where an entire family can enjoy the beach.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 03:28 PM	Valuing our environment is of upper importance to future generatiobs
Anonymous 2/22/2021 07:13 PM	Kids need fewer screen and more activity
Anonymous 2/22/2021 07:26 PM	The mental health of our youth has become a front running issue.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 08:13 PM	Youth needs to have even more outlets with all the “distractions” we have in this world!
Anonymous	The engagement of youth is key to ensure our investments (above) will pay

2/23/2021 07:26 AM	dividends into the future.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 10:16 AM	They are our future.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 01:36 PM	Healthy youth need as much outdoor time as they can possible get through healthy activity, movement, nature learning, exploring and other activities such as swimming and golf and tennis, etc....
Anonymous 2/24/2021 03:06 PM	Youth are bombarded by temptations that aren't always beneficial. Exercise, camps, inclusive team sports are ways for youth to be active in a healthy way.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 12:16 PM	Decrease barriers to youth sports at large to get more kids involved, in general.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 01:40 PM	I have raised two children in Boulder and have used parks and services extensively.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 04:41 PM	This is one of my top priorities for completing this survey. Our youth are a really large of this town and our future - it is a good investment to allocate resources to children's activities and growth
Anonymous 2/26/2021 03:45 AM	During the COVID pandemic, we have seen how important exercise and outdoor activities are to the health and wellness of our youth. Boulder Parks and Recreation is a crucial component of the health and wellness program for our kids. Boulder youth sports programs use many Boulder Parks and Recreation facilities to provide Boulder youth with programs that promote mental and physical health. Our youth need a commitment from Boulder Parks and Recreation to continue providing this important outlet.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 05:04 AM	Children and families have been left behind in Boulder. The nicest baseball fields, Stazio, are reserved solely for adults. I have never seen a child grace those fields, but I've seen a lot of older softball groups. Tom Watson is unsafe, unsheltered, and unpleasant, and should likely be torn down. North Boulder park is barely usable. Iris is a nice complex, but the maintenance is terrible, and the fields would be overgrown if not for volunteer days from NBLL. The Boulder lacrosse teams all share practice facilities on uneven ground at Manhattan middle school. The only nice facilities for kids sports is the Pleasant View complex, which is great, but only for soccer. We have no indoor sports facilities for kids to practice in the winter, instead having teams rent out poorly lit warehouses out of town.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 06:23 AM	In an environment where social media and screens have become a dominant factor in the lives of community youth, recreational activity is only more critical.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 07:56 AM	Habits created in youth have long lasting impacts over the life course.

Anonymous 2/26/2021 10:58 AM	Clearly getting the youth outside will make them value this for the next generation.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 11:19 AM	Na
Anonymous 2/27/2021 07:20 AM	Outdoor youth activities and sports are even more important in these pandemic times where kids are on their screens all day. Get those kids outside riding bikes and playing with balls.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:01 AM	I strongly support maintaining and creating a park system that encourages youth sports. Particularly, we need to keep the baseball/softball fields in place.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:30 AM	This city needs better youth fields for the young. Without competitive youth facilities, boulder will become the satellite to other nearby towns as more people move in.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 09:51 AM	Boulder is needs a place for the youth of the city and surrounding communities to go to play sports. Baseball in particular has been undervalued in south Boulder.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 11:10 AM	There are a lot of water sports that could be imitated at the Rez. How about water Volleyball? Courts could be set up in the water! Kids leagues???
Anonymous 2/28/2021 02:10 PM	Critical fir developmnt of youth and future
Anonymous 2/28/2021 02:47 PM	The Boulder Camera reported just today, Feb 27th, that youth have been disproportionately affected by covid isolation in their rates of depression, and their obesity rate has soared do to inactivity and more time playing on line games since covid. They need youth sports and interaction and fresh air and fun!
Anonymous 2/28/2021 03:43 PM	We need to have activities for the youth. Now more than ever

Optional question (118 response(s), 342 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q15 "Youth Engagement and Activity": What hopesdo you have for the future?

Anonymous 2/02/2021 01:09 PM	That collaboration across industry can happen to expand opportunities in this area.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:16 PM	Ideally, I would love some of our youth programs to be as good as private clubs so more low income youth are able to participate in high school sports

Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:45 PM	Teens employed running programs for younger kids and seniors! Multi generational doubles tennis,!
Anonymous 2/03/2021 02:52 PM	Outdoor and indoor spaces that are teen-centric
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:49 PM	Healthier habits early on for better adult healthy habits later; avoid later costs to healthcare.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:06 PM	See above Teens especially get into drugs and vaping if they're bored. Take the temptation away and show them alternatives.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:07 PM	my hope is for youth who understand the importance of physical and emotional health/wellness, and how to achieve it. And also learn to appreciate and celebrate the natural world, and fun outdoor activities.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:17 PM	covid safe interactions outside with peers
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:18 PM	That we include all youth, all race and economic backgrounds.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:53 PM	That the Boulder County Bottle Rockets (Boulder's youth roller derby team) will have a place to practice and play.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:40 PM	Engaging activities that will stimulate my children both physically and mentally
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:43 PM	Magnetizing young people toward experiencing and understanding the interdependence of us and our world.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 10:19 PM	I am hoping that some sort of exciting place to allow for teens to come and dance/have fun at night is thought about. It would be nice to hear my niece say something about how there is a cool new place for her to go and dance and have fun with her girl friends.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:50 AM	A significant increase in trails especially for MTB
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:17 AM	I hope we can find a way to include more children who may not have parents looking for rec opportunities. Maybe offering classes close by advertising at schools. Offering classes in parks close to areas where children from economically disadvantaged families live.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:35 AM	Keep up the good work and make the opportunities for youth inclusive!

Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:08 AM	More kids growing up to be environmental warriors.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:03 AM	I hope have more accessible spaces for youth sports and places for youth to engage with nature, participate land stewardship, and explore trails.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:37 AM	per above
Anonymous 2/04/2021 12:21 PM	Participate in giving back.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 02:44 PM	It'd be great to have some type of scholarship/waiver across the board for the children of underprivileged families and, if that occurs, to make sure that the waiver is HIGHLY ADVERTISED. The resources at the rec centers are incredibly valuable, it'd be a shame to see any number of youngsters prohibited from doing something the love and/or trying something new because the municipality won't register them without a fee.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:57 PM	That we can keep and make a few more parks available to our youth. Show them how we care for our parks/rec
Anonymous 2/04/2021 07:12 PM	Deeper connections to nature -- via service to our Parks & Rec facilities/lands, learning what Nature is, engaging in fundamental outdoor activities like hiking, backpacking, camping (not car-camping), etc. Less reliance on cool toys, more on the self and the group.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:32 PM	That youth will do a better job than we have at valuing what is truly important.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 10:37 AM	Improving access for young people whose families have fewer resources than other citizens.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 02:55 PM	Our kids feel the same way we do about needing to protect the open spaces
Anonymous 2/06/2021 02:11 PM	Said it above.
sepideh 2/07/2021 07:15 AM	There are a bunch of youth activities that are really neat. I thought it was cool that the main library had story time every day. I thought it was neat that we had Spanish story time at the North Boulder Library some days. I would like to see some classes for youth on hiking, trail maintenance, and environmental change for youth.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 10:28 AM	increase and improve offerings. no kid is turned away because they can't pay

Anonymous 2/09/2021 01:25 PM	Additional funding to be able to offer a sliding scale discount for programs
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:04 PM	Continue w all the great programs
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:31 PM	Sharing facilities to keep everyone happy
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:38 PM	Not sure - as long as we continue to allocate resources and acknowledge how important the inclusion of underprivileged youth populations - hope springs eternal!
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:42 AM	Significant population increase in reproductive active adults and children.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:45 AM	I hope the parks will continue to attract youth for sports and play and will be maintained in ways to keep everyone safe.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:48 AM	More inventive play spaces for kids. Adventure play, connections between parks and the natural world. Beer gardens with playgrounds? Collaborations with private restaurants and parks? Ways to be together with families.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:03 AM	More programming. Protection of outstanding institutions like Pottery Lab, and fostering more such organizations. Junior Rangers.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:06 AM	To keep the programs we have and see them expanded where needed.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:10 AM	Above.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:14 AM	Celebrations and educational programs that help our youth see the beauty in the home where they live and help them understand WHY they need to preserve it.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:32 AM	to keep youth activities and programming are around for the decades to come (swim lessons, camps, seasonal programming, and so on)
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	My children all loved the parks programs in the summers, and the pottery facility (now Studio Arts).
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:45 AM	The creation of programs that enable economically disadvantaged to take part in activities that may require equipment, which their families cannot provide (i.e, bikes, skies, snow shoes, roller skates, skate boards, balls, swimming suits & floats). The creation of programs that give all youth a

	chance to experience the beautiful nature we live in and near.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:47 AM	I have hopes for an inclusive equitable, diverse, city-wide programming of art, environmental education, and community service.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:48 AM	I hope the parks and rec department can continue its diverse offerings and dream up even more to engage kids through teens. I hope there are even more offerings for teens, for example, basically offer adult classes but for teen participants. Some teens don't want a "kid" class but don't want to hang out with adults: meet them in the middle.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:49 AM	The every child in Boulder knows how to safely wield a hammer, drill a hole, sharpen a knife. I hope to see Studio Arts Boulder New facility on the diagonal where kids can learn these things.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:25 AM	Continued summer camps & pottery lab.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:41 AM	Our hope is to embrace the other arts in Boulder and give them a home to create in.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:45 AM	I would love to see the Parks System and the Boulder County School System find a way to work with the Pottery Lab to explore possibilities for pilot programs for children and youth with special emphasis on at-risk youth.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:01 PM	More youth programs
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:42 PM	That all young people will have access to free engaged programming.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:03 PM	Keep pottery lab
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:44 PM	That youth will feel activated and enlivened by our community.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:49 PM	Any youth can access the wonderful Parks and rec activities. Helps our community be safe and vibrant
Anonymous 2/10/2021 06:55 PM	Our youth will be able to gather again in person soon
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:37 PM	Encourage all our youth to enjoy the outdoors and an active life style.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:34 AM	More kids enjoying the outdoors

Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:36 AM	more interest in outdoor activities and why open and protect land in important for both animals and plants.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 10:16 AM	more programming for kids
Anonymous 2/11/2021 11:02 AM	Gonzo PickleBall!
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:09 PM	That more money will be allocated to provide scholarships for kids in need
Anonymous 2/11/2021 02:28 PM	That we can groom more kids with volunteer and paid jobs to green Boulder
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:20 PM	Rec centers/pool/parks prioritize access to facilities after school and on school holidays so youth can engage in activities like basketball and swimming. Park facilities are expanded in neighborhoods and near schools to provide opportunities for youth to do things after school and on weekends within walking/cycling distance (for middle schoolers and elementary kids). This expansion could include small community bike/skate parks or other facilities that don't require 'Planned or Scheduled Fun'. Outdoor Water facilities are provided in walking/accessible locations for all of Boulder to help cool off in the Summer. All outdoor water facilities and recreation is located in central Boulder except the Res... We need more community availability. In South Boulder, there is a High School(Fairview), a Middle School (Southern Hills) and 3 elementary schools within walking distance of South Boulder Rec Center and Harlow Platts park. There is rarely if ever anything going on that youth can do -- they can only go to King Soopers on their own.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 02:00 PM	Healthy activities that youth enjoy participating in.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 03:02 PM	That the sense of discovery and fulfillment with each foray into studio arts encourages self-esteem and self-confidence
Anonymous 2/13/2021 07:41 AM	See above comments.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 07:54 PM	gets kids/teens involved in volunteering for BPR and Duck Race
Anonymous 2/13/2021 08:20 PM	That ALL of our youth will have access to opportunities and education

Anonymous 2/14/2021 12:39 PM	More young people, especially from under-resourced families and schools, will be able to take advantage of programs such as those offered by the Boulder Pottery Lab and the parks/recreation/open space programs.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 10:24 PM	I hope other children have the same experience in finding community and health wrapped in one package.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 10:34 PM	My youngest has enjoyed gymnastics and dance. We absolutely love her ballet instructor, Vanessa. We hope programs like these continue.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 08:59 AM	Hope that youth can have opportunity for a broad range of activities to engage them. Able to find the things that they are truly passionate about.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:03 AM	That through them Parks & Recreation keeps being an important part of every community.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 02:21 PM	I don't think this has to be so intensive on the program offering side. But just offering safe outdoor play spaces with innovative, eco-friendly play structures
Anonymous 2/19/2021 03:50 PM	My hope is that youth will have positive associations with exercise and with spending time outdoors.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:11 PM	I would like to see more creative arts programs lead by artists and artisans or even just skilled people who could teach a class.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 01:21 PM	More opportunities for kids.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:55 PM	I’m not in touch with the youth of boulder because I’m not a parent. I Just know it’s important. Especially to keep kids involved and engaged in community which of a huge preventer of addiction, bullying, suicide, dropping out of school, etc.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 07:23 AM	ALL kids get a chance to try something new
Player 2/21/2021 11:15 AM	That they grow up healthy and engaged.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 12:44 PM	Parks and Recreation will have a refocus on youth activities and not adult athlete events
Anonymous 2/22/2021 03:28 PM	More kids programs involving the natural world
Anonymous	All kids have the opportunity for a healthy and active lifestyle

2/22/2021 07:13 PM

Anonymous
2/22/2021 07:26 PM

Help keep the youth active and engaged. This will create more health benefits.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 08:13 PM

They will be good stewards of sports and a healthy living

Anonymous
2/23/2021 07:26 AM

By ensuring safe alternative transportation corridors to the main rec centers we can promote youth usage of these facilities. Loosely organized, well-promoted, activities (e.g. leagues) can further promote engagement.

Anonymous
2/23/2021 10:16 AM

Expansion and renovation.

Anonymous
2/23/2021 01:36 PM

I hope Boulder Parks and Rec continues it's EXACT mandate and focus from the 2012 Master Plan.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 12:16 PM

Right now all of the programs in town are siloed. Rec center runs theirs, BVYS has their own, FC Boulder, Little League, YMCA, etc. There should be more collaboration between the stakeholders to recruit, resource share, etc to reduce barriers to participation.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 04:41 PM

I may sound like a broken record but I'd like to see Boulder open up facilities more to children's activities rather than focusing on adult sports; the best example I have is the availability of Stazio fields. It's an amazing complex and we could really diversify it's use and give our kids the opportunity to experience the delight of playing on well maintained and lit fields.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 03:45 AM

My hope is for a continued commitment to serve our youth. Facilities should prioritize use by our youth who need exercise and outdoor activities as part of their growth.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 05:04 AM

I would love to see a new facility dedicated to youth sports of all kinds - baseball, football, lacrosse, etc. Where teams could practice on even, nice, and maybe even lit fields. In my dreams you would build an indoor facility that could be used for all kinds of sports in the winter, or on rainy days.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 06:23 AM

Creating programs to help broaden youth engagement in all of the facilities.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 07:56 AM

That more youth can be involved and that sports become open and available to all.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 08:54 AM

I would love to see an option for a solar powered outdoor winter pool.

Anonymous

More access to youth sports and fields, especially in south boulder, which is

2/26/2021 10:58 AM

one of the few affordable neighborhoods left.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 11:19 AM

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Anonymous
2/27/2021 12:01 AM

Improved maintenance of parks, especially baseball

Anonymous
2/27/2021 07:20 AM

I hope BPR can continue to encourage established organizations to run youth activities. There is a thriving community of Little League baseball in both North and South Boulder that use BPR fields. FC Boulder and other soccer leagues are other great organizations. Avid's summer camps are great. There are many others. Let these organization provide youth activities. BPR should make rentals affordable, especially for volunteer-based organizations like Little League. I hope that BPR does not try to implement competing programs but instead collaborates with these organizations to provide programming to meet everyone's needs and goals

Anonymous
2/27/2021 10:01 AM

Improved baseball facilities. Stazio is great for softball, but little leagues rely on the city fields for playing space. Please be flexible to allow the leagues to improve the fields at their own expense. Many of us want to make improvements but have been given a firm no by the parks department.

Anonymous
2/27/2021 10:30 AM

I hope we get better fields for the young.

Anonymous
2/28/2021 09:51 AM

To have a centrally located high profile outdoor sports complex that multiple middle and high school teams can use for practice, and CABA and USSSA can use for weekend baseball tournaments. Perhaps partner with BVSD or CU to form an alliance to put multiple tournament sized baseball fields on CU South campus, or next a field next to New Vista HS. Or better utilize outdoor space at East Boulder Community Park for this purpose.

Anonymous
2/28/2021 11:10 AM

Family oriented activities.

Anonymous
2/28/2021 02:10 PM

Same as above

Anonymous
2/28/2021 02:47 PM

see above.

Anonymous
2/28/2021 03:43 PM

To be able to offer them activities to keep them engaged in safe and healthy activities

Optional question (106 response(s), 354 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q16 "Youth Engagement and Activity": What concernsdo you have for the future?

Anonymous 2/02/2021 01:09 PM	I'm wondering what kind of road map for closing educational gaps exist?
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:45 PM	Our youths are too digitally engaged and need to be more personally involved in everything.... not just the rich kids who have parents to pay for everything.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:49 PM	A more distractible less focused and reflexive youth culture that also carries into adulthood from too much “technology”.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:06 PM	Same as above
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:07 PM	My concern is with young people (and older folks too, LOL) spending way too much time staring into a smartphone or laptop screen: "weapons of mass distraction." These technologies are, for sure, double-edged swords -- their are benefits but also many dangers. Let's try to be wise in our use of them -- and not become screen-addicted zombies.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:18 PM	The wealth disparity will be a problem for ability to mix all youth together.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:40 PM	Covid restrictions will continue past was is reasonable
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:43 PM	Degradation of outdoor opportunities
Anonymous 2/03/2021 10:19 PM	I’m concerned about teens not having their needs to have fun met, and they turn to other alternatives for that outlet of fun.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:50 AM	That no additional trails are added and Boulder continues to cater to a group of older and wealthy locals.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:17 AM	None.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:35 AM	Those that do not have the resources cannot participate.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:08 AM	Apathy.

Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:03 AM	The tradition of a small, older, vocal minority driving management plans and limiting activities and access to trails and facilities because they do not want share open space lands or parks with their neighbors. More limitations and restricted activities can limited youth engagement activity.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:37 AM	per above
Anonymous 2/04/2021 12:21 PM	Our concerns for land management isn't common with young citizens.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 02:44 PM	See above, mainly certain groups not being able to participate in all the rec centers have to offer
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:26 PM	That our youth experience a disconnect to the larger community.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:57 PM	That we don't look to the future for our youth. games and indoor activities seem to be taking over. We need activities that are current for our youth that they would come to
Anonymous 2/04/2021 07:12 PM	Drowning in the bling of cool new things to do, whether at home/on screens & devices or at some splashy new BP&R offerings.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:32 PM	That we won't leave the world a better place than we found it.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 10:37 AM	That the wealth and political power of many Boulder citizens will tilt services toward their needs instead of citizens with fewer resources.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 02:55 PM	Degradation, abuse, incorrect infrastructure,
Anonymous 2/06/2021 02:11 PM	Access to opportunities in the middle school to young high school age. They need our help! This is such a great place for kids to grow up but sometimes they need structure and right now there is a gap between the youngest in our community and the adults. Dig in, help 'em!
sepideh 2/07/2021 07:15 AM	I fear that families with kids will be priced out of Boulder, and there won't be enough youth for this to be worthwhile.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 10:28 AM	activities and programs become priced out of reach because of financial pressures
Anonymous 2/09/2021 01:25 PM	Lack or resources and space to be able to offer additional programming.

Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:04 PM	Technology interferences w good old fashioned play
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:38 PM	Same as above - failure to allocate better than average resources for programs, facilities and useful jobs for youth.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:42 AM	The rising cost of living and safety issues associated with homelessness will drive away even more youth population.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:45 AM	No concerns
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:48 AM	Fewer kids in Boulder; less opportunities. Harder to make it here as a young family.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:10 AM	Some entrenched youth groups such as competitive soccer teams have a strangle hold and a very unpleasant entitlement to spaces in our parks. Push for inclusion and involvement of families who may not be wealthy.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:14 AM	Children not feeling engaged with something if it’s not behind a screen.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:32 AM	that programming such as lessons, camps at existing facilities would dwindle
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	wonderful to engage youth and keep them focused on creative outlets.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:45 AM	That underprivileged youth will not be thought of, or reached out to. That with less resources (financial, parental, etc.) may be left out. Privilege will cause us to forget about or make assumptions about people who are not coming to Parks & Recreation.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:47 AM	I have concern very directly for my own child that there are not enough cultural or art activities within Boulder County.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:48 AM	Funding and ways to engage teens in ways that aren't unappealing to teens.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:49 AM	The youth today won't be able to survive very long without their phones and credit cards.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:25 AM	Same as above.
Anonymous	Once again, our only concern is strictly financial. We have the vision and the

2/10/2021 11:41 AM	energy and the spirit to make create a reputation of a vibrant artistic town.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:45 AM	While the opportunities provided by online curriculum and teaching are important they do not replace hands-on instruction and exploratory activity. Most complex problems are multivariable and don't have a simple linear solution. Experiences in working in the arts areas and in outdoor education provide K-12 opportunities for youth to explore, try, fail, alter their approach, and try again. That's what deep learning is all about.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:01 PM	That Boulder prices out families and it is only a town for the rich
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:42 PM	That we will create programming that says it engages youth but doesn't reach a diverse group of young people.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:44 PM	That youth will feel left out and disenfranchised.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:49 PM	Give kids skills to live a healthy life
Anonymous 2/10/2021 06:55 PM	Children will have long term negative consequences from being isolated
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:37 PM	Concerned that our limited resources will be diverted to other less important topics besides encouraging youth involvement by having safe and active recreation for our youth to enjoy.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:34 AM	See 4
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:36 AM	Lack of understanding of the full impact of plants and animals on the health of the land.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:09 PM	That without parent involvement, the kids won't be able to access the programs.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 02:28 PM	Boulder has become LOST in the tax game and isn't looking at how to make the folks and their kids and grandkids, who already live here, happy and healthy!
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:20 PM	According to master plan, Boulder is getting older and needs to prioritize older people in their planning. Families and kids bring an additional vitality that must be maintained in the community. Without easy to get to recreational opportunities available after school, kids will just get into trouble.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 02:00 PM	Obesity, self confidence, loss of personal interactions with others.

Anonymous 2/12/2021 03:02 PM	That disadvantaged children won't have equal opportunities or access to classes because of money, no transportation, lack of program information, parental involvement missing for various reasons, etc.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 07:41 AM	See above comments.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 08:20 PM	That disadvantaged youth will grow up to be a drain on society instead of a functioning part of society
Anonymous 2/14/2021 12:39 PM	We won't have enough resources.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 10:24 PM	We hope the City will continue supporting local. The schools have outsourced to programs with little reputation coated outside Boulder and it isn't positive.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 10:34 PM	We would like to see more camp offerings. It would be good to see multi program offerings.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 08:59 AM	Focus solely on sports and outdoor recreation is an easy one. Would seem that sports fans are perhaps more vocal than arts fans.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:03 AM	That Parks & Recreation dissolves due to technology and new generations not being engage on the activities that Parks & Rec provides.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 02:21 PM	Safety because of transients
Anonymous 2/19/2021 03:50 PM	Youth will become so focused on their virtual lives that they never learn to appreciate physical activity and time outdoors.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:11 PM	Since Covid it has been reported by the media and data that kids are having a really difficult time of it. Lets get them outdoors and teach some skills whether it be identifying tracks, or birds, or meditation or group therapy.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:55 PM	Bullying and feeling left out is just allot easier now with social media than it was when I was in school. Also just being totally swept into and addicted to technology type stuff- Facebook, video games etc. I feel it's important to keep kids connecting to nature and group sports.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 10:44 PM	Rec centers are dated and not designed well to serve members at all levels. They are more geared towards adults rather than kids.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 07:23 AM	If kids find healthy activities that they enjoy doing they have less chance to get into trouble.

Player 2/21/2021 11:15 AM	That they don't.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 12:44 PM	Parks and Recreation appears to be driven by creating more revenues rather than serving its citizens. The youth community is not served by turning Boulder Reservoir into an event center that serves adult competitions.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 07:13 PM	Youth lose interest in active pursuits
Anonymous 2/22/2021 07:26 PM	The City isn't really offering what they use to. Our family started our activities at the rev center and now attend mostly private programs. Our oldest started in your dance program and still dances with Kinesis Dance. This has been her lifeline. Sadly our youngest has had to go to a private gym due to extended facility closures for his activity.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 08:13 PM	How to get them truly invested.....
Anonymous 2/23/2021 07:26 AM	Complacency may reduce engagement.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 01:36 PM	I am concerned that Parks and Rec is beginning to become unduly focused on financial and profit centers at the expense of their core, critical focuses. The Flatirons Golf course already has a purpose and does not need entertainment just to add additional revenue - the Boulder Reservoir already has a health and wellness purpose and does not need and should not have an entertainment component added. This detracts from the community health and wellness of areas such as these.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 01:40 PM	Areas of value to us ie the Iris Field do not have a secure future, want to see growth not reduction.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 04:41 PM	I'm concerned that for a town that identifies with sports, wellness and outdoors that we do not have better multi-sport complexes for our kids to use.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 09:30 PM	I have two baseball players and have been on the board of north boulder Little League. It has been a constant frustration with the city that they prioritize adult softball leagues over the kids, at facilities like Stazio and Mapleton. Every year our youth leagues ask for field time on the properties the city invests in, like the two mentioned, and we rarely ever get anywhere. We understand adult sports are important, but it is frustrating to feel like a local youth sports organization is not given fair access to the better fields. You do not have this issue with soccer, due to the size of Pleasant View, but for baseball we do. Having kids play at the lower quality fields, like Tom Watson, is not community focused. We are all community members, with a volunteer board and coach, and we cater to young. Families. One would

	hope the city would be more inclusive.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 03:45 AM	My concern is Boulder Parks and Recreation will not maintain its current commitment to serving Boulder youth. Current facilities need to prioritize use by Boulder youth and programs that cater to that demographic.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 05:04 AM	My concern is that the city does not seem to care at all about kids and families. Boulder has the absolute worst kids sports facilities, even compared to much smaller towns. It's sad.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 07:56 AM	Increasing focus on expensive clubs and competitiveness over inclusive activities available to everyone.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 08:54 AM	As Boulder gets more crowded and more unhoused people in public spaces, I would like to see ample and safe spaces for kids maintained.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 10:58 AM	Expansion of CU, transient populations.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 11:19 AM	Na
Anonymous 2/27/2021 07:20 AM	As noted above, I am concerned BPR will either start competing programming or raise rental prices such that established providers cannot compete.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 09:48 AM	The kids sports facilities in Boulder totally inadequate (except for Pleasant View, which is great for soccer/rugby). We have subpar baseball, lacrosse, etc. fields. If you go to Longmont, Arvada, etc. you see way nicer fields for kids. Our best fields, Stazio, are reserved for softball teams, they don't let kids play on them.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:01 AM	That there will not be a variety of fields available for kids
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:30 AM	If we don’t take care of our young, the demographics will keep shifting to older and older people without kids.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 09:51 AM	Boulder families are getting older as cost of living increases and less younger families can afford to live here. It would be a good to invest in hallmark, all-star facilities to help bring back the younger families. Other cities like Longmont have invested, so there is no reason why Boulder can't/shouldn't as well.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 11:10 AM	Activities focused only on College aged kids.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 02:10 PM	Same as above

Anonymous 2/28/2021 02:47 PM	That our societies prioritizing covid restrictions over the mental and physical health of our youth will result in skyrocketing mental health and drug abuse in our younger generation.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 03:43 PM	Not keeping up with the times and keeping the youth interested

Optional question (94 response(s), 366 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q17 "Organizational Readiness": Why is this important?

Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:11 PM	The recent fires show that Boulder is not adequately prepared for a severe fire season.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:17 PM	I don't believe this will be the last pandemic we will see in our lifetimes. And with climate changing, I don't believe we are free from future flood or fine damage. The department NEEDS to be nimble and efficient to be able to deal with these types of events.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:47 PM	Trends change people change the environment changes
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:50 PM	We can only expect so much from the organization. We have to give it the tools.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:35 AM	Basically, keeping up to date with current technology has the potential to reduce costs, and keep our parks financially sustainable.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 08:28 AM	Tech and data is important to customer satisfaction and efficient delivery of services.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 11:34 AM	Because things are changing.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:26 PM	I mostly picked this one because the rest of your options clearly exhibit a particular political bias and ideology. Your other options point to "historic iniquities," "social and cultural iniquities," "shocks and stressors of environmental and societal changes..." Could you be more leftist here? Just kidding, please don't. It's gross. You've clearly loaded up your agenda with talking points from the latest social fads and the democratic party platform. Your role is not to take sides in a culture war, it is seriously disturbing that you're doing that.
Anonymous	Invest where the 1) People go, 2) Self-supporting 3) Revenue creating

2/05/2021 08:17 AM	activities.
Anonymous 2/06/2021 11:49 AM	better utilize computer technology to address system-wide inconsistencies and to collect data to better plan and manage rec facilities.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:00 PM	Management of sites.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:38 PM	With investment in fluid organizational tools, tech and software interfaces (good jobs for youth, too!) much money, time and resources can be saved or focused into substance added to programs, care of resources, development of increasingly satisfying experiences for all people of all ages. Satisfaction can increase to celebration!
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:20 AM	leadership and staff need to work together to maintain the high standards in the rec centers
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:25 AM	Case in point: COVID!
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:27 PM	Resources and support is easier when we are organized.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:07 AM	Being able to in est correctly to meet demand and provide value
Anonymous 2/11/2021 02:28 PM	Only technology can get us out of cars and walking and biking.....nothing else has worked so far in the last two centuries.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:03 PM	The future is not static. Major changes such as induced by COVID come along.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 02:00 PM	Allows for the department to say ahead of times so they can pivot, adapt and have strength in knowledge to change operations when and as needed.
Anonymous 2/17/2021 03:18 PM	With Climate Change and all of its uncertainties to the outside landscape, Parks and Recreation has to be prepared to act swiftly, and have the capacity to act. Example, if the fields near South Boulder Rec Center cannot be watered in the summer and activities need to be curtailed, will that be handled in a way that engages the community rather then alienate?
Anonymous 2/19/2021 08:16 AM	See above
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:03 AM	I think having the right tools, and keeping up with technology to provide better service is very important.

Anonymous 2/20/2021 02:56 PM	We have sophisticated electronic monitoring tools and other sensors that should be used in the next five-year (or longer) plans.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 10:52 AM	How we achieve our goals, the processes we use to get there, are just as important, if not more important, than the goals themselves.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 09:53 AM	Every year brings new challenges and problems to solve and organizations and programs won't survive if they are not in a state of constant evolution.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 02:21 PM	When we aren't considering the whole community as an organism and the importance of equity and when we don't use data to guide decision making we will inevitably fall into the trap of responding to squeaky wheels or those who complain the loudest. This does not help us achieve our goal of creating a healthy and vibrant community for everyone. And without the data and solid processes to collect that data we can't explain to community members why their particular request might not be at the top of the list of priorities.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:48 AM	Times are changing & just want to make sure we keep up with new innovative ideas/classes for staying healthy & active.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 03:18 PM	Adapt to the evolving needs and demographics changes and the project population increases take effect.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 09:16 AM	Thank you
Anonymous 2/25/2021 12:16 PM	BPR should have up to date technology and infrastructure

Optional question (30 response(s), 430 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q18 "Organizational Readiness": What hopesdo you have for the future?

Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:11 PM	More controlled burns, more fire control resources.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:17 PM	In my mind, Organization Readiness doesn't mean growing the size of the department in order to prepare for the future events. I would like to see more stewardship agreements with neighborhoods and school PTOs to maintain local parks and playgrounds. Leveraging these partnerships could provide existing staff the headroom to prepare for future disasters or downturns. I would also like to see more leveraging of external grants and funding for park and facility improvements.

Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:47 PM	Replacement or fixing up the volleyball nets and courts across the city particularly at east
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:50 PM	That we invest in technology that makes sense and helps us improve.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 08:28 AM	Better website. Easier registration system.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 11:34 AM	I would like either more dedicated pickleball courts or at a minimum more pickleball lines on tennis courts. Pickleball is growing very quickly and there is a serious shortage of courts.
Anonymous 2/06/2021 11:49 AM	the ability of Boulder residents to use reservation systems equally. For example, residents (actually anyone) with annual passes, silver sneakers and credit card accounts are treated differently when reserving a tennis court. Those with annual passes or silver sneakers cannot make reservations online, and must call a rec center front desk to reserve a court, while credit card account holders can reserve anytime online. This is inefficient and causes front desk personnel at rec centers to juggle several things including telephones, computers, check in, etc., which leads to many mistakes and errors.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:00 PM	Improved access to sites.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:38 PM	Much hope. We have the tech available = we have capability. We can deliver services and receive resources ever more fluidity. The more internally we are organized, the greater our ability to respond to outer challenges, changes and requests.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:27 PM	When the time is right, it’s easier to proceed if we are organized...
Anonymous 2/11/2021 02:28 PM	Moving trails, Virtual experiences to enhance our real hikes and skiing and backpacking and biking and walking and swimming and climbing, etc.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:03 PM	That collaborative decision making becomes a reality for those who want to participate or have "skin in the game".
Anonymous 2/12/2021 02:00 PM	Continued evaluation of operations so they are ready for anything.
Anonymous 2/17/2021 03:18 PM	See 3
Anonymous	None...too much greedsee above

2/19/2021 08:16 AM

Anonymous
2/19/2021 11:03 AM

To have a database in place that it is friendly and easy to use for everyone, that employees have the tool necessary to perform their job better.

Anonymous
2/20/2021 02:56 PM

I hope that energetic and competent personnel with adequate funding will be available to administer the new plans.

Anonymous
2/21/2021 10:52 AM

That resources are used efficiently and effectively to achieve our goals.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 09:53 AM

That we will be able to maintain the efforts on display right here.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 02:21 PM

I hope that we get to a place where everyone has confidence in the parks and recreation decision making process and that community members come prepared, as partners, to find solutions to problems that consider the entire community.

Anonymous
2/23/2021 09:48 AM

Keep an active eye out for new programs, courses, like Kaiut Yoga, etc.

Anonymous
2/24/2021 03:18 PM

Partner with non profit organizations & not complete. Leverage goodwill to maximize the value for the great community.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 09:16 AM

Thank you

Anonymous
2/25/2021 12:16 PM

Keep up to date on IT infrastructure to aid in registrations, outreach, communication, etc.

Optional question (24 response(s), 436 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q19 "Organizational Readiness": What concernsdo you have for the future?

Anonymous
2/03/2021 06:47 PM

Quality volleyball the volleyball nets courts lines at E. Boulder Rec Center

Anonymous
2/03/2021 06:50 PM

I don’t.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 11:34 AM

Concerns that there isn’t data to show the growth of pickleball in boulder. Longmont has nearly 10 dedicated pickleball courts and Boulder has zero.

Anonymous 2/06/2021 11:49 AM	too much growth is overwhelming the facilities and amenities. Something should be done to prioritize Boulder residents' use of facilities (see #4 above)
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:00 PM	Support growing, aging community.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:38 PM	We will be taken by surprise by some unexpected shortfall or calamity, we will lack the financial reserves to follow through or sustain spaces, facilities and programs; we will lack the resilience and responsiveness to deal with change.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:27 PM	Concerned about getting feedback but with too many voices and we are not organized it can overwhelm the arts board. Thank you for asking !
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:07 AM	Parking is an issue at almost every Boulder facility
Anonymous 2/11/2021 02:28 PM	That current and future taxes will only encourage more idiots to build more ticky tacky houses all in a row or on top of each other.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:03 PM	That demands by the increasing population in the area can be accommodated.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 02:00 PM	That we do not stay active with this and do not perform continued evaluations of our processes which allows for us to fall behind in readiness.
Anonymous 2/17/2021 03:18 PM	A concern is that Parks and Recreation will not be ready and will react rather then respond, thus working against building community.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:03 AM	Not keeping up with technology will create longer times in process, or maintenance of our Parks. By having the right technology and processes you can do more in less time.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 02:56 PM	Budget issues and lack of publicly available information for concerned citizens and scientists are foremost in my mind.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 10:52 AM	Using deliberate and thoughtful processes takes time and can run the risk of becoming inefficient.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 09:53 AM	Budgets. Ebbs in public attention given to recreational facilities and programs.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 02:21 PM	This may involve culture changes in how work groups operate and this may be challenging and take time. Thoughtfulness is required when using data in decision making to ensure that it's helping us achieve equity in decision making and doesn't have unintended and negative consequences.

Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:48 AM	Being able to implement some of these changes in a timely matter. It shouldn't take 3-5 years to add a few platform courts to say an area like EBRC or maybe even a better location.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 03:18 PM	Lack of community outreach and bureaucracy that does not align with the desires or needs of the community. Remember that park & rec are a service for the community - the public shouldn't have to bend to the will of the bureaucracy. We need more partnerships & less conflict...
Anonymous 2/25/2021 09:16 AM	Thank you
Anonymous 2/25/2021 12:16 PM	Using antiquated systems that are so hard to navigate/sign up that people just give up.

Optional question (21 response(s), 439 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q20 "Equity": Why is this important?

Anonymous 2/02/2021 01:09 PM	Systemic and historical inequities exist and experienced in our city and we need to work hard to create safe, inclusive, culturally relevant and welcoming spaces in our parks, facilities and programs in a way that is transparent and supportive to ALL community members--of any age.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 08:45 AM	Because we should all be able to use the resources equally
Anonymous 2/03/2021 11:50 AM	Some populations in the city have less resources and should not be overlooked. Parks are a great asset for all socioeconomic populations.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:39 PM	Increased access to natural resources could increase investment in the environmental conservation. Beauty and new experiences should be available to all, especially to more accessible trails.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:07 PM	Equity ensures that the system is fair. Achieving fairness in all aspects of community engagement and service provision is yet another complexity within a dynamic and always evolving PR Department like the City of Boulder's. Any analysis of the overall system should have an equity/ fairness layer that will not be obscured or overridden by challenges that may occur, although of course there may be elements of an overall equitable approach that ebb and flow over time as the community evolves.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:35 PM	All parts of our community need to have access to programs to remain healthy throughout our lives.
Anonymous	To avoid reinforcing “healthy food and rec deserts” as means of inherent

2/03/2021 03:49 PM	bias/oppression.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:04 PM	This is the lens through which everything needs to be done or else it's just not good enough. I think our intentions are good here in Boulder and great strides have been made in recent years. But, like all communities around the country and our society as a whole, we have plenty of room for improvement and we have to make up for lost time.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:06 PM	I think Boulder does a good job but there could be more cultural experiences brought to the area. Have a "host a country" experience. Say, India is represented one weekend and there are dances and food to be experienced. Show that Boulder is truly interested in inclusion and being the city that brings that experience.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:18 PM	Building a future for all people in Boulder. Not just the well off.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:56 PM	Boulder has a strong, loud, white population. I worry the voices of our non-white community members are often seen as such a small group that they are not taken into account. It sometimes feels that the amenities prioritized are those that are more frequently used by white people (golf courses, pools), compared to other races.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:18 PM	It's overdue.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:43 PM	Not everyone has the same opportunities or possibilities through no fault of their own. When we understand that we can give attention to evening out the field.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 09:21 PM	Because boulder is so white it's often uncomfortable and hostile to BIPOC. WE ARE HERE&WE DEMAND EQUITY AND REPRESENTATION!
BW 2/03/2021 11:23 PM	Without equity our nation is doomed.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 04:25 AM	It is important for teens and young adults to feel part of the community
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:56 AM	As a person who works in high-tech, I spend a lot of time with well-paid white people. I want myself and my kids to be around a diverse community when not at work. I want the people supporting the government labs and high-tech companies, who are often lower-paid, to feel welcome and have a place where we interact as equals
Anonymous 2/04/2021 08:23 AM	Because Boulder HAS BIPOC people in this city/county, but you would never know it out on a trail or in recreation. If these spaces are truly for all people, this has to change with intentional outreach BY and FOR the people that are not currently feeling welcome/educated/access to these spaces.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 08:28 AM

Socio economic equity is vital in Boulder. While city is focused on racial equity and that's certainly important, the bigger issue in Boulder is the gap between wealthy and not. P&R can offer services that others can afford and that can be welcoming in a way that private gyms might not be. (gymnastics team)

Anonymous
2/04/2021 09:42 AM

Equity is important because some groups need to be more closely recognized for contributing to life and history in the making.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 10:03 AM

All Boulder residents should have equitable access to trails, parks and facilities.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 03:20 PM

The point of community is "everyone" be heard. Listening must include getting to know individuals, inviting them personally to participate.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 03:33 PM

The disconnect between what Boulder SAYS about its commitment to equity and inclusion vs the actual, material effect of the city's policies makes me want to throw up. The city COULD rectify this dissonance by openly saying "Everything in Boulder is first and foremost for wealthy white people, but we will give our cast-offs to the most sympathetic poor, as long as they are appropriately grateful". But I would prefer if the city could instead make structural changes to remove its barriers entirely. Boulder is a city built on unceded land stolen from the Ute, Arapahoe, and Cheyenne people, in violation of the Treaty of Fort Laramie. Colonizers who purchased parcels of this land love to do hollow land acknowledgements and pay lip service to non-discrimination, but when it comes time to provide input on Parks policy, their true nature is revealed - what "I" want for "MY children" & "MY city", they say. They refuse to recognize any of their own contributions to inequity, and reject all changes that would cause them the slightest inconvenience, let alone return any of what they have stolen. Their first priority is that the city parks serve them and their desires, including keeping out people they see as "other". A simpler graphic example - https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Shrehan_Lynch/publication/340777978/figure/fig1/AS:882312354988036@1587371066584/The-difference-between-the-terms-equality-equity-and-liberation-illustrated-C.png - shows the current reality of Boulder. Boulder will only add boxes for anyone if it can add them for the tallest person. As Anand Giridharadas writes in his book Winners Take All, there is not always a "win-win" solution when it comes to rectifying inequity. At some point, there can be no further progress unless those who have taken too much are made to return some of it. As CU researcher Abby Hickcox wrote in her 2017 paper "White environmental subjectivity and the politics of belonging", "Conceptualizations of space, such as open space versus urban space and ideas of what is and is not ‘environmental,’ are discursive forms that must be examined in the study of racism. Both actual material spaces and the social constructions of those spaces (the imagined spaces) shape social norms and expectations." The social construction, the very IDEA of parks owned and managed by a colonist government, the use

	of "public" lands as a place of "recreation", requires and carries numerous exclusionary assumptions. Can lands truly be "public" if they are "owned" by the government and thus by the people with the wealth and power to control the government, who then enforce their will & ideas about who and what is or is not tolerated on said land? What about the ways the designation of some land for the purpose of "recreation" denies holy and holistic conceptions of the land held by Indigenous peoples?
Anonymous 2/04/2021 04:00 PM	Parks should be no different in "affordable" communities than they are in affluent communities. Boulder Parks and Rec should have the ability to provide equitable access and connectivity to all that they touch.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 07:08 PM	Too many people have been excluded for too long and it’s time to cater to their wellness
Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:32 PM	These parks can save lives and redirect futures. All people should have equal access to this transformative opportunity.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 08:17 AM	We have enough open-space alrady. Stop purchasing new space and use the money for supporting current investment.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 10:37 AM	On the whole, our community is wealthier than many in the U.S. We should work extra hard to make sure community members with fewer resources benefit from this wealth. We need to do a much better job of making Boulder welcoming and affordable to people who aren't rich, white, cisgendered.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 04:49 PM	Boulder provides many beneficial programs and restorative outdoor spaces that anyone should be able to enjoy.
Anonymous 2/06/2021 10:57 AM	All genders, ages and income levels must be served
Anonymous 2/07/2021 10:53 AM	The use of the facilities seem to skewed towards the non-minority population. Offering relevant and affordable services for all members of this community should be an uncompromised use of the City funded by the tax dollars of all.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 10:01 AM	We need to start seeing that all kinds of people are using our parks, not only local racial populations but travelers. We do not have any camping spots for Ironman and other races in Boulder?
Anonymous 2/08/2021 03:34 PM	to ensure that everyone has access and ability to take advantage of our services
Anonymous 2/08/2021 11:05 PM	Because Boulder is a bubble. Not in my backyard is alive and well here.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:07 AM	I believe unless equity is intentionally addressed across all sectors structural racism, and therefore real barriers, will continue to exist in all parts of our society

Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:41 AM	It is very important. The United States was founded on equality for the people. If we do not have equitable access to parks and recreation programs, services and facilities, we are not staying true to the founding principles of our fore fathers.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 10:25 AM	For too long those with more priviledge have been the ones responded to and it is time to really listen and engage with the community members who are suffering and underrepresented in our community. Very few wellness organizations are accessible for communities of color in Boulder. We know that communities of color have more statistically poorer health, more children, less money, and this all leads to more health disparity between them and others in our community and as a city we need to address these inequities.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 12:24 PM	Because municipalities are the closest level of government to local residents and therefore play a critical role in changing systems of oppression.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 01:25 PM	Everyone should have access to basic life necessities.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:42 PM	I remember one time the City of Boulder asked its emplyees if they thought there was racism among the staff. Something like 95-97 percent of the employees said no. The person in charge of Human Resources at the time said to the effect that, ' look employees thing we'er doing great." I remember thinking however that something like 5-7 percent of employees at the time were minorities and I couldn't help but think that they saw racism while the the other 95 percent did not. Equity has to reach everybody.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:55 PM	So long in the coming and can be so complicated to monitor , acknowledge and create. And so important. Really good question.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 03:12 PM	Because it is incredible to that there are only 3-4 concrete handball courts in Boulder county and they are heavily used by our Hispanic population - so unfair - how expensive is it to build concrete handball courts? We should be encouraging people to do sports
Anonymous 2/09/2021 04:47 PM	Because the IDD population is underserved and underrepresented in boulder county
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:02 PM	Too often parks development in Boulder is focused on an idea of "showcasing" or providing a "wow" factor versus evaluating what needs a park could or should address
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:27 PM	Any divisions are outdated.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:31 PM	Young and old ideas are valuable

Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:45 AM	parks need to be made accessible for everyone.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:48 AM	Boulder is an incredibly inequitable place, squeezing out many middle income families, and becoming more privileged, and less hospitable to families of color, or working-class families.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:10 AM	We live in a community which is not equal. Hard job for you to break down socio-economic privilege and racial equity, but, please, try.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:16 AM	That all residents have the same access to Boulder's parks and recreation.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:30 AM	Equity is important for all the reasons stated in the Building community relationships section.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:38 AM	The Rec Center offers programs that are supportive of my husband and my health, our friends and our special need daughter. The Expand program is for people with disabilities, like Sophia (now 26 years old). There is no other program like Expand in Louisville, Lafayette, Longmont or Westminister. People come from all these areas to participate in the valuable program which offers physical, social and cognitive programs to the disabled. Sophia has personally enjoyed their Basketball league, Swim program and Ski program for years. She also participates in their monthly dances, their reading programs and many other activities. It's become like a second home for her.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	boulder is white...like...suspiciously white
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:47 AM	Each individual human that makes up a group needs to have an equal voice in all processes related to the group.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:48 AM	Equity is important because everyone deserves access to the offerings of parks and rec (exercise, nature, art, etc). If we don't address equity, it remains inequitable.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:42 AM	Equity give us context.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:45 AM	True equity is built through person to person relationships across cultural, racial and financial dividing lines. Experiences in the arts and outdoor education are a perfect vehicle for bringing children and adults together on a level playing field. When activities, like ropes courses or joint art projects are provided, barriers fall away and cooperation leading to friendship begins.
Anonymous	Because, we need to have a community that values all people and provides

2/10/2021 12:42 PM	genuine access to resources for all people.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:02 PM	Boulder is very white, I'd like to see a vibrant, diverse, affordable city!
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:28 PM	As I mentioned above, we need to include all people, races, religion and intellectual abilities. Everyone needs to feel they are part of the community and not feel isolation.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:43 PM	That the needs of all citizens be considered in planning even if they might not be incorporated in the penultimate plans
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:27 PM	Brings in the community as a whole.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:44 PM	It's vital to our community that we focus on equity. For too long our community has ignored this issue.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 04:09 PM	Because our community members all deserve the opportunity to enjoy ALL that Boulder has to offer! Because some of the community members who need to experience the mental and physical benefits of recreation and the arts are those who have the highest barriers to entry.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 04:32 PM	That all will be treated fairly
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:00 PM	Diversity is what makes the United States of America exceptional. We learn more from different people than we do from the same people and the collective and collaborative outcome is greater than the sum of the parts. Without equity, we are not creating the space for emotional intelligence to flourish and with this, the creative talents to express this beauty.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:14 PM	Similar to thoughts on previous answers...but starting with having programs and communities that nurture and support systematic issues and or equalities so action can be taken and we can improve as a community which will hopefully make a more welcoming place.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:19 AM	Studio Arts Boulder, as an artistic and community organization, should be equally considered with the sports activities it supports.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:21 AM	Boulder is for everyone
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:26 PM	Equity is about all people getting what they need. People with I/DD need time with others with I/DD. They need opportunities to recreate under the guidance of people trained in therapeutic recreation.
Anonymous	Every resident has the opportunity to use the Cities amenities and if there are

2/11/2021 03:10 PM

barriers, there should be a way to allow access . Especially with children's camps/sports.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 04:03 PM

We are all people who should be equal before the law.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 04:20 PM

All groups in Boulder should have opportunity to get to recreational resources in their community. No one should feel excluded or exclude others.

Anonymous
2/12/2021 03:02 PM

The arts can level all playing fields when people are given the same level of access and resources. Equity can further camaraderie and a sense of community

Anonymous
2/13/2021 08:57 AM

Access should be easy for everyone and it should be inclusive.

Anonymous
2/13/2021 10:05 AM

It's the basis and highest hope of democracy. We must strive and work to offer equal opportunities and treatment to all people. Use of public spaces for recreation and health needs to be equitable and accessible so all community members experience wellness.

Anonymous
2/13/2021 08:20 PM

We're not as good as a society when we don't have varied and different perspectives

Anonymous
2/14/2021 12:39 PM

a vibrant community cannot exist for long if the gaps between the haves and have nots is too large, or if too many people not in the majority in Boulder get left behind. Boulder, for all its liberalness and progressiveness, is a deeply inequitable community (look at the housing crisis and housing prices), and we must all do everything we can to solve these problems and build a more equitable future for everyone in Boulder.

Anonymous
2/15/2021 02:04 PM

So everyone can have access.

Anonymous
2/15/2021 02:12 PM

Everyone should have access to recreational activities.

Anonymous
2/15/2021 10:24 PM

Programs and health should be offered to all citizens of Boulder.

Anonymous
2/15/2021 10:34 PM

Everyone should have the right to good health.

Anonymous
2/17/2021 03:54 PM

If we have more equal opportunity to resources (parks/facilities), we are more likely to mix with others people that we would not normally interact with and maybe we can find common ground and interests. You can't build a new relationship if you don't interact with new people.

Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:00 AM	Obviously, my main focus is on city parks, city recreation centers, and city sports fields and facilities. And since I am a tennis player on public courts, the equity issue I see is that, in ignoring the needs of the tennis playing community for more tennis courts in the midst of the current overcrowding issues, the city is sending the message "If you want to play tennis and get access to a court, then join a private tennis club." And ignoring the fact that tennis is a sport for everyone, the city is making it harder for kids and youth to find an available court to get out and play on. Considering that adult casual tennis players, league tennis players, pickleball players, and both adult and youth tennis training programs have to share a limited number of courts that haven't been added to in decades, the City is closing off tennis opportunities for youth and those people who can't afford to joing a private tennis club. It addition, as the majority of our tennis playing public is female (there are traditionally more options available for men when it comes to sports), providing more courts will only enable more female participation in outdoor athletics.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 03:50 PM	Helping marginalized citizens feel part of the community is important to their feeling of value and to their feeling invested in the larger community.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:18 PM	This is important because Boulder is extremely white and getting less socio-economically diverse by the day. We need to make sure all of our residents feel served by parks and rec.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 08:24 AM	Leave no one out.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 12:03 PM	There is a long history of inequity, even in relation to the natural world. It is time to right the wrongs.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:29 PM	Ownership is the key to positive outcomes within the community at large, our parks and streetscapes, specifically
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:55 PM	I think it’s the duty of our present community and leaders to create a new vision and way moving forward.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 09:19 AM	Access for all people is important
Anonymous 2/21/2021 01:02 PM	Boulder is perceived as a rich town and not diverse enough. Building public run faciities for all people regardless of status etc. is the way to do this.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 03:16 PM	It is important to provide the same things for all residents, no matter what race, gender or age they are.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 12:44 PM	Elite athletes and higher income residents have access to multiple facilities and geographic areas outside of the City. Lower-income families do not have

	the same access.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 08:13 PM	We know the stats with academics and wealth gaps. Let's make sure we are closing the gaps with appropriate ACCESS to all services in our community.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 06:02 AM	It is important to work towards fixing the inequitable way in which our world was created by the founders many years ago. Everyone deserves the right to feel safe and have equal access to the resources and services we provide.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 01:12 PM	Boulder Parks & Rec should be felt to be accessible by all, and enjoyed by all.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 07:00 AM	Do I really have to tell you this?
Anonymous 2/25/2021 02:27 PM	Equity is an issue in Boulder's baseball program because kids have to get to SCP. Many don't have ways.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 04:41 PM	Equity is universally important, regardless of department, focus, etc.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 05:09 PM	It seems like our Boulder bubble does not include much diversity. If we can help this imbalance by allowing more inclusivity in our programs and services, all the better.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 05:32 PM	The global Covid-19 pandemic has shown us that WE ARE ALL CONNECTED. Equal access for all is of paramount importance and Boulder should lead the way in this.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 05:04 AM	NBLL, SBLL, BVL, etc. support kids of all income levels with scholarships. Kids sports is an opportunity to even the playing field. Upper income kids can travel to other towns, pay for upgraded sports experiences etc. A city park is the one opportunity to quite literally, "even the playing field." I would love to have a nice, safe place for kids of all income levels to come together, play, and interact.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 06:18 AM	Making sure that all Boulderites have opportunities to our parks and recreational facilities.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 07:56 AM	Not addressing equity means that when we provide more resources we only increase disparity.
Morgan_Gardner 2/26/2021 08:19 AM	Nature and exercise are so important to health and community vitality, and Parks and Rec is a huge provider of free recreation in the community - we have to make sure that we're really reaching the people who need us the most.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 09:07 PM	I do not feel safe and it turns what is an outdoor walk in nature into temporary sheds/shelters made up of cardboard and taros and an

assortment of stolen grocery carts filled with personal belonging

Anonymous
2/27/2021 10:45 AM

Everyone should enjoy

Anonymous
2/28/2021 11:10 AM

The neighborhood should be an equity partner. You are in our backyard!

Anonymous
2/28/2021 12:38 PM

There is a huge gap between the extremely wealthy and those who make under $75,000 in this town. How do we provide equitable services to the 2?

Anonymous
2/28/2021 02:10 PM

We will have a stronger, more diverse culture

Anonymous
2/28/2021 03:32 PM

Just plain fairness to the different portions of Boulder citizenry.

Anonymous
2/28/2021 05:57 PM

Everyone need equal access to our facilities

Anonymous
2/28/2021 08:01 PM

Boulderites like to be active, but often as individual or with our partners or with one or two existing friends. Pickleball is much more expansive than this, amazingly so.

Optional question (114 response(s), 346 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q21 "Equity": What hopesdo you have for the future?

Anonymous
2/02/2021 01:09 PM

That extensive community outreach is done with a great variety of groups to really HEAR what folks are saying that is necessary to create equity in our public P and R spaces.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 08:45 AM

That people of all races will be welcomed and feel at home here

Anonymous
2/03/2021 12:39 PM

Increase public transportation access - so those without cars can access trails. Plus with increased solo travelers, parking lot fill up before trail capacity.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 03:07 PM

I hope you will keep digging in during your planning and service delivery processes to engage the whole community and discover why there is still some reluctance to participate by many people... seeking continuous improvement over time. There still appear to be segments of our population that are not represented in the City of Boulder and the PR Department's systems and in the use of its many services, even watching the short video

	accompanying this survey, (although it is visually stunning and a great job!) we do not see everyone's faces represented among actual participants. Our best community services are not only available to- but built with engagement from everyone.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:35 PM	That programming will support and encourage the engagement of all parts of our community.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:49 PM	More public diversity in Boulder.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:04 PM	I do hope that our entire community, including city and BPR staff, can continue to learn more about equity, past shortcomings, and how to do better now and in the future.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:18 PM	That we find more ways to mix all people and backgrounds more together.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:56 PM	That the rec becomes a place where I see people who come from all different backgrounds, especially across race and language.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:18 PM	All people will feel welcome and safe -- and they will feel able to be who they are without judgement.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:43 PM	Generous, Open attitudes and seeing others perspectives.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 09:21 PM	We want safe roller skating facilities to engage in our culturally relevant activity of roller skating.
BW 2/03/2021 11:23 PM	Full equity for nonwhite people
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:56 AM	A continuation of programs that support passes for lower income people and scholarships for low income kids to join in activities
Anonymous 2/04/2021 08:23 AM	That programs to introduce, better transit to trails and events, and less white leadership will continue to encourage equity from an authentic (not tokenized or magazine cover images) stance.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 08:28 AM	We save programs that aren't replicated in private entities.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:42 AM	That all races and types may be recognized and included.
Anonymous	I hope to see more equitable access to parks, open space, and trails in the

2/04/2021 10:03 AM	future.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 03:20 PM	That Boulder become more diverse in income, age, ethnicity, lifestyle. Make Boulder weird. Honor the differences. Listen carefully.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 03:33 PM	My hope for the future is that when the Parks & Recreation Department says that it cares about the health and wellness of everyone in the city, you will truly mean everyone - including houseless people, whose health, wellness and safety are currently not only not served, but actively threatened by the department's policy of sweeping. I hope that instead you will work WITH houseless residents of the city, listening to THEIR voices about THEIR needs, and providing better restroom & trash services, which will truly help make parks safer and more welcoming for everyone, including houseless people and the rich white people who complain about them, mistakenly believing that sweeps will do anything but worsen both visible and overall homelessness in the city. (https://riley-mancuso.medium.com/a-parks-and-rec-case-against-sweeps-2ab8560d0470)
Anonymous 2/04/2021 04:00 PM	Continued connectivity and inclusivity of parks and open space.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 07:08 PM	Everyone will have an inviting, safe, and entertaining place to gather and exist.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:32 PM	A colorblind society.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 08:17 AM	Equity investment in the golf course.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 10:37 AM	That Parks & Rec can contribute to attracting and retaining a more diverse population in the city.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 04:49 PM	I would like to see more outreach efforts to encourage diversity.
Anonymous 2/06/2021 10:57 AM	Same as # 5
Anonymous 2/08/2021 10:01 AM	That the city will generate camping areas around the rural city limits, this will allow for a partnership with a company that can maintain and support camping at it's best. and give an option for winter unhoused individuals
Anonymous 2/08/2021 03:34 PM	Provide safe, inclusive, culturally relevant and welcoming parks, facilities and programs in a way that works to address systemic and historic inequities.

Anonymous 2/08/2021 11:05 PM	More compassion and tolerance from everyone.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:07 AM	Sliding scale, Spanish speaking staff members, culturally aware/appropriate programming, an environment where all truly do feel welcomed.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:41 AM	Continued/ growing support for all people to enjoy programs, services, and facilities. Your background, ethnicity, gender, financial status and other self defining characteristics should not be a barrier of participation/ access.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 10:25 AM	I hope that Parks and Recreation facilities will have a model for financial sustainability while also focusing on making our recreation center accessible to the communities of color within Boulder. I hope that we work to listen to communities of color in park planning to ensure what they hope and need in a park is incorporated. I hope that we work to make our facilities and programs welcoming to communities of color, to address the reasons people of color may not feel welcome or safe in the spaces we manage.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 12:24 PM	That the City will take *every* opportunity to make reparations and return control over resources to marginalized communities.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 01:25 PM	That we will have additional resources and staff available to be able to offer information and programs to the less served population and individuals who don't speak english.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:42 PM	Boulder needs to be a leader in making equality and equity as part of our fabric. It can become one of our greatest strengths.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:55 PM	An ever present dialogue and support of variety of opinions.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 03:12 PM	Please take a look at Littleton’s public rec facilities - they are amazing
Anonymous 2/09/2021 04:47 PM	That this population will again be served by parks and rec
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:27 PM	That everyone is included.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:31 PM	New classes to meet senior's aging bodies
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:45 AM	I hope that parks will attract everyone so that people of every color, ability or disability, every belief will feel comfortable in outdoor spaces
Anonymous	Affordable housing, sliding scale fees, more subsidized and free opportunities

2/10/2021 09:48 AM	for lower-income families
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:10 AM	Above.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:16 AM	Grants available for programs that under privileged families can not afford.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:38 AM	We would love to see the Expand program grow to offer even more activities that are physically challenging, cognitively enhancing and socially enabling.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	cafe tu tu tango - look it up
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:47 AM	I have hope that Boulder will normalize into a city where there is a multicultural, multiracial population with a larger middle class than the current socioeconomic skew.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:48 AM	I hope parks and rec can find a way to offer programming to people (adults and children) who might not be able to afford a summer camp or a pottery class or a rec center membership.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:42 AM	Honest conversations and historical context that we are openly in dialog about. Inclusion of the arts in Parks & Rec. That a water source become available to the public that is affordable to access for recreation ($7 a day is expensive for some.) Or opening Baseline Reservoir to Lafayette residents not just to a private club. Water is the most inaccessible part of Boulder county.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:45 AM	It would be great if the Department of Parks and Recreation reached out to communities of faith and invited them to build connections among themselves and with other groups by using the parks as a place to start on a common task (fall clean-up?). It is also possible that the parks could work with the Department of Corrections to provide outdoor team building training for selected prisoners who are being supported in preparation for release.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:42 PM	That Boulder will become a space where people of all backgrounds and financial levels can live.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:02 PM	Boulder will be less for the wealthy and available to the middle class as well. The affordable housing program makes it nearly impossible for someone isn't poor enough to get a home, and unless you are wealthy you cannot even think of buying a small property.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:43 PM	For all Legitimate needs of All citizens be met.
Anonymous	That it is expanded.

2/10/2021 02:27 PM

Anonymous
2/10/2021 03:44 PM

That equity is at the forefront of our decisions.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 04:09 PM

I hope to see our homeless population treated more equitably. I would like to see youth from all backgrounds being exposed to a wide range of experiences and programs. I would like to hear that my neighbors feel as comfortable enjoying the trails, parks, and programs as I do!

Anonymous
2/10/2021 04:32 PM

That all will be treated fairly

Anonymous
2/10/2021 05:00 PM

Equality and the Peace that it brings for all living beings.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 09:14 PM

Programs designed that are actually helpful and worth it and not just a "program" to check the systematic/racial issue box as a "good deed" and the city is trying to do their part. Needs to actually DO the work. and have it actually WORK and be successful.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 04:19 AM

I hope the city and Parks and Rec can see their way to help Studio Arts Boulder continue with their vision for the artistic development of the community.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 07:21 AM

More bipoc outreach

Anonymous
2/11/2021 12:26 PM

My hope for the I/DD community is that people will start listening to the individuals with disabilities and their families and care providers so more programming can be developed to meet their needs.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 03:10 PM

Barrier reduction (transportation, providing sports equipment, location of programs)

Anonymous
2/11/2021 04:03 PM

A vision from science fiction novels of the past where people of all races work together toward a great enterprise of interest to all human beings.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 04:20 PM

Equal opportunities for all user groups (young and old alike) in accessible locations that don't require owning a car.

Anonymous
2/12/2021 03:02 PM

That equal exposure and availability to studio arts, with subsequent equal community exposure to finished works, establish similar shared experiences, and help the usually very distinct social groups find common interests

Anonymous
2/13/2021 10:05 AM

Boulder is clearly a place where the majority white and economically well off and physically fit can safely and easily find recreation opportunities. My hope and vision is that Boulder will also grow opportunities that attract and

	welcome people who cannot afford or want to commit to fancy club sports or expensive equipment. I'm thinking of things that small towns provide such as community dinners, parades, fairs, roller skating rinks, playgrounds, community art, pocket parks.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 08:20 PM	That everyone is valued for what they know and contribute
Anonymous 2/14/2021 12:39 PM	We will start making real progress in closing the opportunities gap for our young people, and we will have a good affordable housing plan for their parents, and indeed any young families wanting to live in Boulder.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 02:04 PM	That everyone feels included.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 10:24 PM	We hope to see more help and opportunities for families low in resources.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 10:34 PM	N/a
Anonymous 2/17/2021 03:54 PM	Greater interaction with the community.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:00 AM	I hope that the City can make it a priority to expand availability of tennis to everyone who wants to play, regardless of their age, economic status, gender, and ability level.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 03:50 PM	My hope is that recent immigrants, people of color, people with disabilities, and low-income communities will feel valued for their contributions to the larger community.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:18 PM	I would love to see POC and people from lower socio-economic groups included in the plans for our parks and rec. I wonder (but I don't know) if Boulder residents who live in mobile home communities feel as included as I do at rec center events? I see Hispanic families playing soccer and other yard games and hope that you are including them in the planning of parks in the parts of town where they live. My area is mostly white. I wonder how we could make parks (or portions of parks) feel accommodating for homeless people without making them a home for homeless people.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 08:24 AM	The community becomes more welcoming.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:29 PM	To show those who normally don't get their hands dirty that the rewards are multifarious and lifelong.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:55 PM	More diversity, multi cultural integration of people and neighborhoods,

Anonymous 2/22/2021 12:44 PM	Inclusive facilities. Only a few special events at the Reservoir. Promote and assist use of Stazio and Pleasant View for unofficial events such as pick up games.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 08:13 PM	That it’s built into our system and frameworks rather than an afterthought
Anonymous 2/23/2021 06:02 AM	I hope we can be moving forward on equity both from a larger level (working to change the inequities that are very engrained) and from the hands on little changes that can happen every day (ie celebrating things like Black History Month). This is one way to help people feel and know they are appreciated and respected. I also hope we can continue our discussions on equity to ensure we are really providing inclusive opportunities for all.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 01:12 PM	Seeing more diverse members of our community represented in exercise groups, classes, on courts, in the pools and weight rooms, &c
Anonymous 2/25/2021 07:00 AM	MORE EQUITY
Anonymous 2/25/2021 02:27 PM	Kids who want to play any sport will have access to necessary quality fields
Anonymous 2/25/2021 04:41 PM	I hope to see activities that focus on advancing equity for all Boulderites added a key priority for the BPR (focused on areas where BPR has control).
Anonymous 2/25/2021 05:09 PM	A world where we don't have to figure out the problem of equity and how to make up for past and present injustices. Diversity makes most things stronger. Hopefully, with equity, we can attain more diversity in our city.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 05:32 PM	I'd like the City to be non-agist and listen to, and include Seniors in it's planning and development.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 05:04 AM	I hope Boulder becomes a place where the facilities match our self-image. I want kids from every neighborhood and every income level to have a great place to play sports.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 07:56 AM	That following the example of the sugary drink tax and the lessons from the pandemic that this becomes an issue that everyone cares about.
Morgan_Gardner 2/26/2021 08:19 AM	That we can expand our services to reach those who need us most, and increase parks and facilities to be more accessible
Anonymous 2/26/2021 09:07 PM	A way to cate for our homeless population while maintaining beautiful, safe and pleasing public spaces

Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:45 AM	more
Anonymous 2/28/2021 11:10 AM	That we are included in decisions that effect the quality of life of the neighborhood.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 02:10 PM	Same as above
Anonymous 2/28/2021 03:32 PM	Surveys of use of Boulder Parks and Recreation facilities and programs to identify population under-served groups and creation of outreach programs to balance resource availability.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 05:57 PM	Improved access to our facilities and their programs
Anonymous 2/28/2021 08:01 PM	Pickleball is so popular because it accommodates a wide range of physical capabilies. It is a good balance of exercise and fun. This promotes "Equity" and inclusiveness. I routinely play with individuals that span 40 years in age. This is unheard of (impossible) in other sports and group activities like league play. It is so cool! Women are very well represented (sometimes a majority) and often very skilled and competitive. Those not typically "sporty" become addicted. It is easy to get started. Potentially broader interest across many demographics. Newcomers are very much welcomed getting started and participated in groups, but lack of court availability is, unfortunately, a seriously limiting factor to the otherwise inclusivity of pickleball.

Optional question (99 response(s), 361 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q22 "Equity": What concernsdo you have for the future?

Anonymous 2/02/2021 01:09 PM	That we won't do effective outreach and that those that have been historically marginalized aren't compelled to share with the city what they are thinking and feeling--in essence, my biggest fear is that nothing changes.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 08:45 AM	That our homogenous population remains as such
Anonymous 2/03/2021 11:50 AM	Dog parks in all neighborhoods. It doesn't make sense to have to drive to exercise and socialize dogs. What about people without cars?
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:39 PM	That full parking lots or parking fees don't dissuade City residents who would not normally go to a trailhead
Anonymous	#6 describes things I hope will keep changing for the better

2/03/2021 03:07 PM

Anonymous
2/03/2021 03:35 PM

How the pandemic's economic impact will affect rec center funding.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 04:04 PM

I think BPR and the city in general is very aware that this is an important lens and focus area. I'm pretty confident that they/we will make progress as long as the education and the conversation never stops.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 04:18 PM

That Boulder lock out the less privileged by not offering park and wellness services for them.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 04:56 PM

I'm worried that budget cuts will create further limits on the number of people who can access financial support programs through the rec. I think that there is often greater diversity in the lower-income bracket and don't want to see that diversity lost due to budget cuts.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 06:18 PM

How will we address past inequities

Anonymous
2/03/2021 07:43 PM

Having Boulder become too elite and closing down opportunities for others...

Anonymous
2/03/2021 09:21 PM

That we are not represented. That we will continue to be treated as invisible

BW
2/03/2021 11:23 PM

Societal breakdown

Anonymous
2/04/2021 05:56 AM

That money will be diverted away from encouraging equity to pay for expansion

Anonymous
2/04/2021 08:23 AM

That white and straight and male voices will continue to be heard, respected, and speak the loudest in these spaces and decisions

Anonymous
2/04/2021 08:28 AM

Don't just cut programs based on money - consider if there are private offerings that are both welcoming and affordable before cutting. Gymnastics team: Yes, there are private gyms, but they focus on elite performance and are expensive. Boulder's team welcomes all abilities and is the most affordable. It also doesn't require 30 hours of practice from children each week. The Y doesn't have a team. Other gyms seem to be set up to find the next olympian, not to offer a supportive team environment for all abilities and incomes.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 09:42 AM

One main concern is that some do not like to give up power/authority.

Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:03 AM	Historically, areas are restricted to specific users. My concern is that this will increase, and multi-use trails will continue to decline.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 03:20 PM	People who do not have internet, computers are left out of the Boulder community. How do we get those people included?
Anonymous 2/04/2021 03:33 PM	Right now Boulder Revised Code 5-6-10 prohibits people from "activities of daily living, such as eating or sleeping", with specific exception for the "recreational" forms of these activities, "napping or picnicking". Thus the most basic human acts of food and rest, things that should be connecting us to the land, are banned from parks except for those for whom they are a luxury, who could be performing those acts in private places they have access to. (“The law, in its majestic equality, forbids rich and poor alike to sleep under bridges, to beg in the streets, and to steal their bread." — Anatole France) When Black people are 12 times more likely than white people are to be homeless in Boulder, and Indigenous people 7 times more likely (https://www.mdhi.org/state_of_homelessness_2020), the criminalization of survival is for all intents and purposes a fundamentally racist policy, and its enforcement in Boulder parks entrenches and worsens existing inequity. I am EXTREMELY CONCERNED by Director Rhodes' proposal to direct funds to full-time positions dedicated to chasing homeless people back-and-forth across the city (as the permanent indefinite status of the employment means that even she acknowledges that doing so is a futile endeavor that will never reduce the root causes of homelessness). I am concerned by the decision to, in an official Parks Dept. presentation to city council, refuse to mention that sweeps evict HUMAN BEINGS, instead solely referring to "encampments" by the size of "debris" (ie, people's wordly belongings). I am concerned by her push for a skatepark under the library as a form of hostile architecture, which is such a bafflingly wrongheaded idea that it suggests Director Rhodes has either never seen a skatepark or never seen the bottom of the library, as it has about the clearance of a standard building floor and anything resembling a skatepark would not fit & would result in people skating head-first directly into the ceiling. I am concerned by the thoughtlessness, rapid, unexamined push for the exclusion of houseless people that this proposal betrays. I am concerned that the overrepresented voices of the rich & powerful will continue to drown out the voices of working-class and poor people who are unable to fill out forms like this, whether due to lack of internet access (especially when they are chased out of wi-fi zones such as Central Park), or other barriers such as being overwhelmed with stress and work. I am concerned that you will take what I have written here and ignore it, or bundle it into "citizens are concerned about equity and human rights" but continue to DO exactly the wrong things.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 04:00 PM	The loss or degradation of parks due to poorly managed or overlooked space.
Anonymous	I fear we will continue to leave out portions of the population that need

2/04/2021 07:08 PM	community spaces the most
Anonymous 2/04/2021 10:32 PM	We are too small to reach for this beautiful goal.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 08:17 AM	That the physical landscape of the golf course will continue to be a non-priority for improvement by Parks and Rec.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 10:37 AM	Combating institutional racism is really hard! Especially in a community that identifies as liberal and open-minded, where people could be resistant to recognizing their biases.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 04:49 PM	I am concerned that certain populations may not be able to afford, or feel comfortable attending, our programs and outdoor spaces.
Anonymous 2/06/2021 10:57 AM	Elders will be ignored
Anonymous 2/08/2021 10:01 AM	That we do not know how to help all populations.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 03:34 PM	this is a moving target
Anonymous 2/08/2021 11:05 PM	Concerned that Trump-ism is alive and well even here in Boulder. That does not bode well for our future.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:07 AM	That we solve for a piece of this and stop working to address it on the largest scale possible for the organization
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:41 AM	There seems to be an ever growing divide in our class systems and the middle is quickly disappearing. It is becoming increasing difficult to survive in Boulder if you do not have a 6 figure plus income. We need to keep Boulder as diverse as we can and support all populations with our services, programs and facilities.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 10:25 AM	Hugely concerned that the inequity in Boulder will only grow as those with the wealth of time or finances and specifically the white community is who is heard from and therefore their input is what determines Parks and Recs trajectory.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 12:24 PM	That inertia, bureaucracy, and white supremacy cultural norms will prevent progress. Again.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 01:25 PM	Lack of resources and funding will stall this effort.

Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:42 PM	I love Boulder, but it tends to be pasty white and mostly privileged. Our liberalism is great, but it must be great for everybody!
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:55 PM	The fact it is on this questionnaire..... this is good. :^)
Anonymous 2/09/2021 04:47 PM	That these programs specifically for the IDD population will get lost
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:02 PM	Boulder becoming too expensive to support a healthy diverse community
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:27 PM	That others can afford to participate.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:31 PM	More gym benches and parking spaces
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:45 AM	No concerns
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:48 AM	That nothing ever gets done here. People protect their things.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:10 AM	Above.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:16 AM	Not having availability for the growing demands.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:30 AM	that Boulder drives out access for low income and culturally diverse peoples and programs.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:38 AM	The Expand program has been greatly cut back during the pandemic. From a staff of 5, they have gone down to a staff of 2. These valuable staffing needs to be rebuilt. The Expand program was having a difficult time keeping up with the demand of popular programs even before the downsizing occurred. Parents had to wait for the enrollment to hit and popular classes filled within the first 30 minutes, leaving many on waitlists.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	how can kids grow up well rounded when they are ONLY surrounded by themselves and people like them
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:47 AM	I am concerned that Boulder will continue to be an elite little town without a middle class ignoring not only the invisible population of underserved and disenfranchised but also the problems of mental illness and drug addiction of

its homeless population.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:48 AM

Funding and followthrough.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 11:42 AM

The challenges of creating equity in access (physical and financial) on public lands. The impact pet owners have on the land (especially unattended dogs) chasing wild life and constantly approaching people. The balance of nature (wild haute) and human habitation. That the increasing population of Boulder County, as well as the increasing wealth and assumption of entitlement will result in Parks & Rec becoming more focused on the needs of the wealthy.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 11:45 AM

Apart from the fact that all new activities demand financial and human resources, thoughtful planning, appropriately staffing, and continuing alternative programs demands a long-term commitment.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 12:42 PM

Boulder will get richer and whiter.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 01:02 PM

I think there should be a ban on real estate companies that buy up all the properties and then rent them out, it's rigged and not sustainable.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 01:43 PM

That special interests, like big developers and the huge numbers of absentee landlords In collusion with city council take precedence over the needs of ordinary citizens .

Anonymous
2/10/2021 02:27 PM

That expanded equity programs will be looked at as frivolous.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 03:44 PM

I worry we won't have the courage to step into equity issues. I also worry we won't have the leaders we need to do this work.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 04:09 PM

I worry that the goal of improving equity is one that will take ALL of us...so I hope there will be programs that educate and engage the community in the hard work of unlearning biases and becoming antiracist.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 04:32 PM

That all will be treated fairly

Anonymous
2/10/2021 05:00 PM

Mental Health and the cost to our society for mismanaging this extremely important element of the human condition.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 09:14 PM

Failing on the hopes above.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 04:19 AM

I'm concerned that, once again, the city and Parks and Rec will put Studio Arts Boulder at the bottom of their list for consideration.

Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:21 AM	Lack of climate justice
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:26 PM	I am afraid EXPAND programming will be cut.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 03:10 PM	Generally, not parks related. A widening gap and loss of the middle class.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:03 PM	Human nature
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:20 PM	Any single user group will dominate the conversation and money allocation due to screaming the loudest.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 03:02 PM	That some people will continue to have advance, unencumbered access to classes, payment options, additional supplies, etc. Also, many people like the status quo, unfortunately, and could care less whether or not persons of little means have a fair shake (this saddens me)
Anonymous 2/13/2021 10:05 AM	As Boulder becomes richer and whiter, I fear it becomes less accessible to anyone who isn't rich and white. We need to welcome and make it easier for economically and racial diverse residents, artists, musicians.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 08:20 PM	That society is divided - and weaker.
Anonymous 2/14/2021 12:39 PM	We'll give it a lot of lip service but always have a reason for not following through (NIMBY, etc)
Anonymous 2/15/2021 02:04 PM	There is a greater divide in wealth, this often makes resources out of reach for poorer communities, or even being able to be in Boulder.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 10:24 PM	Boulder needs to help the lower income residents more.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 10:34 PM	N/a
Anonymous 2/17/2021 03:54 PM	That those without means will not be able to enjoy parks, arts, events, etc.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:00 AM	My concern is that if the City keeps up its policy of funding Parks and Recreation at a bare maintenance level, then participants in any number of sports will find their ability to recreate in or on "free" public fields, courts, and facilities severely curtailed. Which will only contribute to a "you have to pay

	for the privilege to recreate" mentality that will disadvantage our younger and more financially challenged populations.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 03:50 PM	It's easier to focus on families who already have experience with and value the resources of P and R.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:18 PM	N/A
Anonymous 2/20/2021 08:24 AM	As a society, we seems to be at odds--some people want to expand equity, some people want to pull it back.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:29 PM	Lack of ownership will perpetuate the idea that it's "somebody else's problem."
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:55 PM	That boulder will continue to be whiter and whiter and more and more expensive.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 12:44 PM	Stazio Fields, Pleasant View Fields and now Boulder Reservoir are often occupied by organized events that cost money to participate. Parks and Rec is moving in the wrong direction. My family cannot go to the Reservoir on many weekends in the summer.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 08:13 PM	Do we have the bold leadership to make change a reality
Anonymous 2/23/2021 06:02 AM	These are hard conversations and hard things to change. It is easy to have good intentions to change things, but much harder to put in the work, time and energy it takes to make the changes actually occur.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 01:12 PM	Not sure.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 07:00 AM	that it's going to get worse...
Anonymous 2/25/2021 02:27 PM	Boulder high baseball is not treated the same as other programs because of the city overseeing SCP without enlisting the help of coach players and parents. The city needs to work with the parents.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 04:41 PM	My concerns is that equity is a hot topic now, but as some advancements are made, we will go back to being complacent with our progress.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 05:09 PM	That this phrase just becomes something to check a box and not have any real meaning.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 05:32 PM	Seniors have to adapt and change to remain physically active. Many seniors are forced to transition from tennis/racquetball to pickleball.The USA

	Pickleball Association (USAPA) has found that the sport has seen a 650 percent increase in members since 2013, and as of 2018 had 3.1 million players in the U.S. Sadly, Boulder's Parks and Recreation courts do not reflect this increase. The number of pickleball courts are woefully inadequate to support Boulder's pickleball population. The outdated paradigm of tennis being king is still reflected in the disproportionate number of tennis vs. pickleball courts.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 05:04 AM	My concern is we will continue to see children de-prioritized, making Boulder a less appealing place to live for families, and forcing kids of lower incomes to play in unsafe (Tom Watson) and increasingly dilapidated fields.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 07:56 AM	People focus on optimizing their own health and the health and competitiveness of their children over creating opportunities for all.
Morgan_Gardner 2/26/2021 08:19 AM	That we'll continue as we are because we don't have the resources or authority to change things.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:45 AM	none
Anonymous 2/28/2021 11:10 AM	That we will not be included in plans of development for the Rez.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 02:10 PM	Not everyone will feel like it's for them
Anonymous 2/28/2021 03:32 PM	Slow response and bureaucratic entrenchment of existing resources.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 05:57 PM	N/A
Anonymous 2/28/2021 08:01 PM	If pickleball courts are unavailable, potential new players from across different community demographics will not be engaged and opportunities for expanded community involvement will be missed.

Optional question (99 response(s), 361 skipped)
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Q23 "Resilience: Why is this important?

Anonymous 2/03/2021 10:55 AM	Duh. The future won't look much like the past, given climate change and the social evolution underway in the US. All city departments need to be flexible and adaptive going forward.

Anonymous 2/03/2021 11:50 AM	I'm thinking about environmental resilience. The ability for natural areas to absorb floodwaters would help protect communites.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:39 PM	Drainage, debris clearance, etc to prepare property to better handle environment impacts
Anonymous 2/03/2021 01:30 PM	Nature provides us many benefits. But, depending your philosophy, it can also harm us through floods and fire. We always need to be smart about promoting the long-term natural processes over short-term fiscal impacts which can be politically charged too.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:07 PM	Changes and challenges are a feature of a healthy, "living", evolving system like the PR Department.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:13 PM	If it doesn't last, what's the point
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:15 PM	It is important that the parks department is able to effectively deal with climate change and the challenges it will, and does, pose, for the safety of our community and the survival of our parks.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:57 PM	Similar to financial sustainability, stresses to the system like climate change threaten to impact the viability of our parks. Our city staff and community members need to be planning for ways to mitigate these impacts and also adapt to them by finding new ways to keep our parks and tree canopy healthy.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:50 PM	Because we really are growing. And COVID for example is getting more people outside. That’s a lot of extra usage.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:09 PM	climate change
Anonymous 2/03/2021 08:13 PM	The Pandemic has shown the need to "roll with the...punches."
Anonymous 2/03/2021 10:19 PM	2020 fires and covid made me realize that environmental change and societal changes can really affect every day life, and impact the futures for our children. We need to know and have a plan of how we can help support those in need when changes like this happen.
BW 2/03/2021 11:23 PM	It’s the opposite of collapse. P&R is showing it throughout the pandemic. Good job.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:35 AM	Our system needs to be able to respond to new demographics and climate impacts.
Anonymous	Climate change is currently, and will continue to impact our natural areas. We

2/04/2021 08:23 AM	need planners and developers who are not looking at these spaces as they were/are, but as they will be when our landscape changes. Equally important is the ever growing numbers of people using these spaces. We need to make sure spaces are prepared (trails, parks, buildings) for the huge impact that greater numbers entail
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:08 AM	Fight against the changes and loss of quality of life with every new transplant moving here.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:19 AM	As seen this year with the fires or in 2014 with the flood, natural disasters are going to occur and Boulder needs to proactivity plan for these disasters/ways to mitigate their effects.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:42 AM	It’s important because so much of Colorado is outdoor activity. We need to keep our parks relevant and welcoming.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 11:43 AM	Future pandemics will come and go--we can't let parks and other public spaces get trashed each time. The cost of cleanup is too much.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 03:20 PM	Life always has challenges. Teach history so people can learn that they can survive and thrive, even through difficulties.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 04:00 PM	I am from the city of Buffalo, NY. I have seen my city make terrible decisions as it relates to removing pieces of Frederick Law Olmsted's Greenway System. Parks are the lungs of the city and cannot be 'too robust'. Creating a system that is resilient, ages well and can grow into itself is all too important.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:26 PM	Resilience is important. It allows us to accomplish what is most important to us; it’s the inner inertia that gives us just a little more juice when we are exhausted. Resilience can propel us forward so we are able to see or get a mere glimpse of the full possibilities.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 07:03 AM	We want to keep nature areas around us intact.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 02:10 PM	Because if you don't plan ahead and maintain parks, the environment is degraded. The Boulder Creek is a health hazard along the creek path in certain places. NEED MORE TRASH CANS, PORT O POTTIES, ENFORCE CAMPING BAN!!!!!
Anonymous 2/05/2021 02:55 PM	I fear climate change will hurt our open spaces
Anonymous 2/06/2021 11:49 AM	the city rec department must respond smartly to growth, aging populations, revenue generation and all types of recreational trends in the future.
sepideh 2/07/2021 07:15 AM	As the effects of climate change get more severe, I think that we are going to experience more emergencies that are going to require us to be more nimble than we have historically been.

Anonymous
2/08/2021 09:25 AM

Parks and Rec must build in some resiliance into the system for unexpected crises that may occur: a large residential wildfire, other adverse conditions like flooding and pandemics, climate change effects on parks and increasing pests, such as emerald ash borer. If not, the department will be mostly in reaction mode.

Anonymous
2/08/2021 10:01 AM

Environmental changes are coming.

Anonymous
2/08/2021 02:54 PM

Drought, flood, fire and more are on the increase. Climate change, nature and the environment should be on the forefront of all conversations.

Anonymous
2/09/2021 07:42 AM

Very similar to Financial Sustainability - keep the ship steady and afloat, protecting staff and community needs even when things go sideways.

Anonymous
2/09/2021 08:07 AM

In a pandemic, and post pandemic (eventually) reality, we are currently operating in a deficient for a number of areas. We either need to change how we think about what gets subsidized and why or choose to cut and/or sell activities that are no longer sustaining themselves, regardless of the community benefit. i.e. What resilience is now vs. what it is in a 'normal' year has changed.

Anonymous
2/09/2021 10:25 AM

In the past decade we have experienced two major crises - flood and pandemic. These crises has flipped staffing and community programming on its head and caused us to have long periods of recovery. PR should make plans so they can respond to crises and diversify funding wherever possible to maintain the necessary staff to survive the inevitable crises in the future.

Anonymous
2/09/2021 02:36 PM

value that we can keep up with changes

Anonymous
2/09/2021 02:55 PM

Life is in such a constant state of flux. Sometimes so minute, other times fairly dramatic. Keeping eyes on the future and needs of constituents balanced with present day seems a way to endure with resilience .

Anonymous
2/09/2021 03:34 PM

Parks and rec have to be able to respond to changes in climate, social trends, and economic swings.

Anonymous
2/09/2021 04:09 PM

Boulder really pulled together during the flood. There will be more floods and other weird weather events and we need to be prepared

Anonymous
2/09/2021 05:04 PM

Cheaper to repair than put in new, a lot of the time

Anonymous
2/09/2021 05:27 PM

Good planning is always important.

Anonymous 2/09/2021 09:03 PM	more people = more environmental impact
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:35 AM	We need to have migration zones and larger corridors for our animals and plants.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:39 AM	These are crazy times--you have to adapt and be flexible
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:16 AM	Boulder needs to change and grow with it's population.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:30 AM	Climate change is going to dramatically impact the front range, and already is. Investing in education, mitigation and eco-sustainable practices is a must.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:32 AM	things happen, the current times tell us this, we don't know what funding or support a city will receive from the state or higher level government, ensuring that we take care of what we have, and plan for the future, will make adjusting when needed possible, providing some level of stability to the city and the community in these times that something they count on is still available.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:39 AM	Climate change! As the climate changes on our earth, we may begin to see different weather than what we have been used to in CO. Therefore, it is important that our community makes an effort to become as resilient to fires/floods/droughts/etc as the weather continues to change. Also, as climate changes, we will being to see more "environmental disaster" events. It is important that we as a community are ready for events that may disrupt our environment and ecology.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	you must be able to bounce back or adapt - just ask darwin
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	We need to be able to respond to environmental emergencies like drought, snow storms, wildfires
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:45 AM	Adaptabilit
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:52 AM	Boulder Open Space and Mountain Parks are an amazing natural resource that we are beyond lucky to have access to. This should be preserved and sustained for centuries to come. Ensuring that governing bodies and the community supports and sustains these amazing resources is imperative for the future development of the town and community.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:42 AM	Parks & Rec, Open Space, Pottery Lab, Rec Centers, etc are important to quality of life (human & nature). I feel they need to be a priority. So having a

	Parks & Rec that can weather changes is essential.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:01 PM	We will need it to protect against abuse and overuse
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:43 PM	I'd like to see us survive at least to 2050
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:50 PM	Flexibility
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:20 PM	The times they are a changing...we will have to pivot and shift in order to thrive...let's build resilience in order to do this or leave.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:23 PM	Natural and Manmade disasters need to be mitigated and prepared for exp. flooding, fires, effects on critical infrastructure, pandemics. How can we be better prepared? Planning responding, mitigating, re-evaluating, etc.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:37 PM	hard to avoid saying this: because sh*t happens. And when it happens, it can't be the 16th thing on the list to address. It also goes directly to the "take care of what we have" items above.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:00 PM	https://youtu.be/BNexrMQwCzM
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:00 PM	Our planet and our society is changing. By anticipating change and being prepared to adapt, we can better weather those changes.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 06:56 PM	Covered this above but it comes down to preserving what we have
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:21 AM	Climate change
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:36 AM	Long term protections.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 08:23 AM	Seriously? Develop our parks to be with us for generations.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 09:18 AM	Our climate is changing and we need to proactively plan for the future. We cannot sit back and wait for the environment to change but rather be prepared and change our processes now so that when a natural disaster or something occurs, the effects are minimal.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:09 PM	Because Corona....

Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:26 PM	Because as the pandemic has shown us, these are uncertain times and we need to move forward expecting the unexpected.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:41 PM	Same comments as above.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 03:45 PM	The pandemic that we're all living through has made life difficult for many people, particularly arts groups and arts organizations in Boulder. It's a shame that our Park and Rec department hasn't provided ANY options for these groups to hold events safely outdoors on Park and Rec spaces.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 06:52 PM	Water water water!! Both too much at once and not enough most of the time. City needs to lead the way on consumption, reuse, and proper planning
Anonymous 2/13/2021 12:43 PM	Adapt and preserve.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 06:38 AM	We face new environmental and unforeseen challenges all the time
Anonymous 2/16/2021 08:40 AM	We are going to have to respond to a wide variety of challenges, both in our physical environment and in society that will challenge us
Anonymous 2/18/2021 01:05 AM	Because nothing stays the same—eg Covid has wrecked many lives and livelihoods; one must try to preserve or rebuild what’s good and useful, while adapting.
Marja Duggan 2/19/2021 07:12 AM	Be able to change with the ever changing demands
Anonymous 2/19/2021 08:53 AM	Climate is changing right now.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 12:36 PM	Often response to changing demographics is slow; hence, available resources are sometimes not used efficiently.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 12:36 PM	Floods, Covid, Fires - all these unexpected events remind us of the need for resiliency.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:18 PM	Climate change means we must be ready to protect what we have.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:18 PM	Boulder has a great track record of looking toward the future and honestly anticipating the changes that will come our way due to climate change. Changes are coming faster than anticipated, and we need to keep anticipating them.

Anonymous 2/20/2021 05:58 AM	We need to adapt to future needs.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 08:24 AM	Too many unexpected social and environmental things come upon us.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 02:56 PM	Assuming that all parks are now becoming more available to those with less environmental awareness or concerns, as well as increased and unpredictably occurring droughts and floods and extreme weather extremes, the current complex ecosystems should be managed to absorb the brunt of these shocks at the microscale and mesoscale levels.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:29 PM	Overpopulation, overuse, lack of restraint even by those who should know better, requires perennial upkeep.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 08:48 PM	So that the people in this community can continue to utilize and enjoy and parks & rec facilities to further their health and wellbeing.
Jean Rosmarin 2/21/2021 08:15 AM	We may have future pandemics - we don't know what is coming our way and we want to still have safe ways for people to recreate and to be together. Being able to play tennis this past year made things bearable for a lot of people.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 10:52 AM	Climate change will continue to drive disruption, resilience is paramount.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 11:40 AM	To stop destruction of our parks and open space so they can be developed for other uses.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 02:21 PM	Communities - people and environment - will see a lot of change in the future and resilience is the ability to adapt to these changes while keeping in line with goals and mission statements. To me, resilience should be at the foundation of all other goals. How do we bake resilience into our goals to create a healthy and vibrant community (for all) and how do we ensure we are resilient in our organizational readiness? Resilience to me means taking of the blinders and being ready organizationally to adapt to new situations.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 03:28 PM	Too often the city makes financial decisions that don’t properly value environmental concerns
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:20 AM	climate change will increase damage to open space need to prepare for this
Anonymous 2/23/2021 01:36 PM	The only constant is change and we will have more of it certainly in the future in terms of climate change and it's impact on our outdoor spaces and resources. Boulder Parks and Rec needs to be proactive for planning for the future of these challenges in terms of diversifying species for resilience,

	preparing for population growth and the appropriate management and protection of our surrounding and existing Parks and Rec services and facilities.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 08:26 AM	We all know that the future is not predictable and our climate is changing. We need to be thinking forward to how BPR functions in future conditions. The recent pandemic has shown how BPR and the City can be affected by a health crisis and as environmental conditions change we may be facing water shortages and warmer average annual temperatures. These changes may put strains on resources that we currently feel we have an abundance of and we need to be able to adapt to changes without it being a surprise to the community.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 01:12 PM	Climate change is here! What can we do in terms of our parks (planting of trees, xeriscaping, placement of walkways, surfaces, uses/drainage of water, lighting, etc.) to make the city better stewards of the land and try to mitigate against damage to the environment.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 01:35 PM	As a community we need to stay on top of the trends for how society is changing and what needs and impacts that will have on our parks & rec facilities. Need to stay current with the ever changing times.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 01:40 PM	The world seem to get more and more unpredictable - This is an organization that is impt to the city and should have a long future.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 05:32 PM	Specifically looking at "societal changes" in regards to pickleball. In a nutshell, the sport is exploding and Covid has forced players outside. Even after Covid, many pickleball players prefer playing outside to inside. The bottle has been opened and there's no forcing the genie back in! Our group of ~16 pickleball players at NBRC has been playing consistently ALL winter and have shoveled the courts.
Morgan_Gardner 2/26/2021 08:19 AM	The pandemic made it clear that BPR is especially susceptible to economic downturns, and it was really painful to see so many staff furloughed because of our reliance on sales tax revenue. So many of our services, projects, and facilities have been impacted this year because of it. And because services and projects were paused/delayed/slowed, people are finding other ways to recreate, or else suffering without.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 08:30 AM	Well, after this past year, it seems obvious that resilience is critical with regard to facilities, but also protecting our trails/parks. The future is unknown and the ability to respond to minor as well as major changes could make or break the parks and rec department.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 08:54 AM	I would like our parks and rec to be sustainable into the future.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 09:43 AM	If anything, this last year has shown that we need to be resilient and continue to figure out how to connect the community when we can't be around each other.

Anonymous 2/26/2021 10:58 AM	Climate change is real, as are economic forces that require resiliency.
Janet 2/26/2021 02:48 PM	Areas need to be able to absorb the shocks and stressors of environmental and societal changes.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 12:01 AM	Need to continue responsible environmental stewardship.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 12:38 PM	With climate change and extreme weather happenings, I feel like this is important.

Optional question (104 response(s), 356 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q24 "Resilience": What hopesdo you have for the future?

Anonymous 2/03/2021 10:55 AM	The the P&R system continues to play its essential role in community health and well-being.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 11:50 AM	Thoughtful planning in regards to wildlife corridors.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:39 PM	That there's a balance between use/environmental impact and maintenance/prevention
Anonymous 2/03/2021 01:30 PM	Promoting the natural processes and lessening our own impacts. Continue to provide ecological economic studies to the public - really assists in transparency between stakeholders and general education.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:07 PM	I hope that the PR Department will continue to be able to manage to the mission during times of challenge, and keep it's core alive despite these rough periods. As a keen, interested observer of how the department has been adapting through the coronavirus pandemic, I get the sense that the current systems are resilient enough to survive at a core level... a strong base and continuous learning have helped the department "know" how to do this.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:13 PM	We have amenities and features that last, and we can maintain, for generations
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:15 PM	I am hopeful that the department will be proactive in handling climate change, using community outreach programs to their advantage. I would like to see indigenous leaders consulted on this issue especially
Anonymous	That funding will be prioritized for forestry work and maintaining safe trees

2/03/2021 04:57 PM	and parks. I wish the city would subsidize private planting of trees and provide workshops on tree health.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:50 PM	That we figure out ways to disperse crowds so we can accommodate growing numbers but not have it feel like everything is overcrowded.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:09 PM	healthier native plant communities
Anonymous 2/03/2021 08:13 PM	Of course that recreation centers will be able to reopen for the same kind of uses as in the before-times.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 10:19 PM	That we learn from our past and add those lessons to future plans.
BW 2/03/2021 11:23 PM	See sentence 2 in Q3 above
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:35 AM	Keep up the good work.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 08:23 AM	That the trails will be better managed and directed: actual enforcement when people abuse these spaces or feel above the rules to help everyone use them safely.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:08 AM	N/A
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:42 AM	I hope the parks continue to thrive with scheduled maintenance and the proper financial backing.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 11:43 AM	I hope that Boulder starts paying more attention to our parks and making them a priority.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 03:20 PM	The plans will be implemented and Parks & Rec will have a staff that thrives. That low and middle income people will be able to live play and work in Boulder and be included in the recreation opportunities.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 04:00 PM	Continued planning, connectivity and protection of open space.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:26 PM	That the environment will be taken in to strong consideration in the planning. We are resilient people and we need healthy ecosystems to support our community for future generations. Interdependence for building a healthy community is key.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 07:03 AM	To Maintain what we have.

Anonymous 2/05/2021 02:10 PM	Plan/budget for maintenance on current parks, especially those that are high use.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 02:55 PM	Open spaces thrive as our climate shifts
Anonymous 2/06/2021 11:49 AM	more data collection for planning and utilization purposes, better IT system programming, smart policy changes for benefit of city residents and not anyone that happens to drive from another regional city
sepideh 2/07/2021 07:15 AM	I hope that we all get to know our communities better and work with each other to overcome the impacts of climate change.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 09:25 AM	I hope P and R starts cooperating more closely with the Transportation Department to reduce the number of single car trips to parks and recreation facilities. If RTD would allow dogs on buses in off peak hours, we could ride buses to the dog parks and mountain parks trail heads. How about running shuttle buses to the EB center? I hope we get the East Senior Center open and functioning again, as soon as practically possible.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 10:01 AM	That we can incorporate some soil reclamation practices, allow for more diverse gardens and incorporate plants that take in the carbon dioxide.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 02:54 PM	That this will be more than a catch phrase and the department will integrate it better.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 07:42 AM	This one isn't as glamorous or flashy, but that with circumspect planning, the department can minimize layoffs and service reductions in the face of future shocks. Flush years could be used to further stabilize funds and resources.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:07 AM	A clear direction for how to recovery from catastrophe, and how to maintain the most important things we do through it. Additionally, how to know what to let go of because we can't afford to hold on to everything.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 10:25 AM	I would hope that in the future crises we can survive with fewer lay offs and less programming interruption.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:36 PM	that we'll be able to add things that will benefit our environment and our community
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:55 PM	Besides more pickleball courts :^)... I hope the rec centers can sustain themselves and most all feel good about supporting their efforts.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 04:09 PM	That we will have good organization and infrastructure for dealing with climate events including wildfire

Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:04 PM	Hold the line on green spaces, keep them increase them, enough building
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:27 PM	That solid progressive foundations are built into good planning.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 09:03 PM	well built trails
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:35 AM	A way to weather the dry heat coming.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:39 AM	Learn from challenges, grow
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:16 AM	That Boulder can sustain it's parks and rec into the future.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:32 AM	that the city directors/parks n' rec board, are creative and open to discussions about what is best for users of the recreation dept.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:39 AM	So many! I hope that we as a society can switch to more reusable energy options to reduce our impact on the environment. Fire mitigation, flood mitigation, and a continued human restrictions on wildlife habitats.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	houses starting below half a million would be nice
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	That we prioritize environmentally sustainable CIP projects that take water conservation into account
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:52 AM	Continue to support trail crews, continue to build sustainable parks as the usage will only continue to increase, continue to financially support the departments that are doing this work. Continued support for fire mitigation and our emergency response teams.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:42 AM	That we prioritize Parks & Rec and also that the priority has focus on non-human habitation and use.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:01 PM	Maintain what we have
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:43 PM	That the city remains open, welcoming and affordable for my Next Generation.
Anonymous	To be able to support the shifts.

2/10/2021 02:20 PM

Anonymous
2/10/2021 03:37 PM

inclusion, marginalized people supported, P&R facilities within accessible distance to all residents

Anonymous
2/10/2021 05:00 PM

We teach and instill resiliency as a core element of our education.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 05:00 PM

The Boulder will make sound strategic decisions which will pay off in the long run.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 07:21 AM

Climate action

Anonymous
2/11/2021 07:36 AM

understanding of the interrelations between plants, animals, insects, etc in the overall health of the land.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 08:14 AM

more pickleball sites and/or hours

Anonymous
2/11/2021 08:23 AM

That managers are adept to recognize that climate change is inevitable. It will be hotter and drier. Make sure parks provide respite in all weather.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 09:18 AM

I hope that our department can explore ways to proactively plan for when environmental changes occur. I am hopeful that we can address issues such as drought, waste management, air quality, dark sky changes, and fire by changing our department's behavior and current practices. For example, many of the vehicles at Park Ops run on diesel and staff will leave their cars running for 20+ minutes to heat them up in the morning. As vehicles come up for replacement, our department can make it a goal to transition to cleaner or more hybrid-type vehicles. Our department can also make it a goal to replace all trash-only receptacles with the compost-recycle-trash containers by 2025. We can work on limiting water use and explore using rain barrels to water the gardens outside each rec center. We can replace all non-dark sky compliant lighting with light blubs that are under 3000K, on timers, point downward, etc. Even changing our behaviors and practices slightly, I believe our department could save money, be better prepared, and ultimately be more resilient when environmental stressors do occur.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 12:09 PM

That Boulder can go back to feeling like a safe, healthy place to play

Anonymous
2/11/2021 12:26 PM

I hope that human decency will inform decisions about the future of the EXPAND program. Even though individuals with I/DD are a small percentage of the general population, they have extraordinary needs. They are one of the most vulnerable populations in the community. They often lack resiliency

	within themselves. We, as they people who love and care for them, need to provide structure and predictability. In understanding and acting on this, we will provide them a resilient structure with which to work.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:41 PM	Same comments as above.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 03:45 PM	That the Park and Rec department will be more proactive, and seriously work with the City of Boulder's Arts and Culture office to figure out some solutions to get things like dance, theater, and opera performances to take place on Park and Rec spaces without making it too difficult, i.e. easy.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 06:52 PM	Grey water system, intelligent park system design, eco power, and free mass transit for everyone.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 06:38 AM	Foresight when thinking about what we need to do to safeguard our public parks against future events
Anonymous 2/16/2021 08:40 AM	We get smart at managing this.
Anonymous 2/18/2021 01:05 AM	That Boulder will continue the noble fight to build and buy affordable housing so that we have an economically diverse citizenry, and our children and elders can stay in their hometown.
Marja Duggan 2/19/2021 07:12 AM	Boulder will keep the trails open and fun for everyone
Anonymous 2/19/2021 12:36 PM	Collection of data to inform decisions about programming.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 12:36 PM	Drawing on the community and not relying as heavily on staff. Have "neighbors" be the back-up staff.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:18 PM	Hopefully , we can limit degredatiin if our parks.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:18 PM	I hope we can continue to do that around parks and rec. I'm thinking of low-water use and hardy plants, but you will know what the important elements are.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 05:58 AM	Add a dedicated pickleball facility.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 08:24 AM	The city is thinking ahead, preparing.
Anonymous	I hope that the foothills will not be overrun with invasive species and will

2/20/2021 02:56 PM	continue to maintain adequate levels of its native populations. I also hope that its creeks will be maintained to offset flood potential by repopulating wetland areas with native riparian species, if needed to handle their overflow.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:29 PM	That we can spread the need for perennial care out among the community
Anonymous 2/20/2021 08:48 PM	That our parks and rec facilities will respond appropriately and rapidly to changing community needs and preferences.
Jean Rosmarin 2/21/2021 08:15 AM	I hope that we continue to maintain our outdoor facilities - and ultimately I hope that we are able to build more courts to accommodate casual tennis, competitive tennis and the emerging number of pickleball players.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 10:52 AM	That we plan for mitigation of future climate impacts and protect vulnerable ecosystems.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 11:40 AM	I feel like your asking the same question repeatedly. Same answers as above.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 02:21 PM	I hope that through resilience future generations will be able to say that past generations made the best decisions possible given the full breadth of information and resources they had available to them.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 03:28 PM	The park system will place more importance on preservation
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:20 AM	manage out of town/county/state visits during peak usage times to reduce trail and park damage - or consider fees to be used to improve and enlarge open space
Anonymous 2/23/2021 01:36 PM	That Rec needs to be proactive for planning for the future of these challenges in terms of diversifying species for resilience, preparing for population growth and the appropriate management and protection of our surrounding and existing Parks and Rec services and facilities.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 08:26 AM	Resilience is often built by diversification. BPR does a good job of offering different programs and opportunities to generate revenue to support park and facility maintenance. I hope that BPR will continue to find innovative and safe ways to provide recreation and learning opportunities to the public while promoting the use of volunteers and community members to help maintain assets as it builds a sense of ownership and ultimately supports the department if staff priorities are shifted due to unforeseen circumstances.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 01:40 PM	The world seem to get more and more unpredictable - This is an organization that is impt to the city and should have a long future.
Anonymous	PLEASE increase the number of pickleball courts! Add dedicated courts

2/25/2021 05:32 PM	where possible, restripe tennis courts, and stop allowing tennis players to online reserve court 1 (NBRC), since there are 3 OTHER tennis courts but 0 other pickleball courts.
Morgan_Gardner 2/26/2021 08:19 AM	We'll be able to identify and secure better ways to fund the department so that another recession doesn't hurt quite so much.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 08:30 AM	That parks and rec continue to focus on resilience and innovative practices... proactive planning and flexible reactivity to unforeseen circumstances.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 08:54 AM	Our parks and rec are maintained and accessible and we're able to continue to improve them.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 09:43 AM	I great community that supports and serves the people who use the open spaces and rec centers.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 10:58 AM	Planning for flexibility, planting of species tolerant of future conditions.
Janet 2/26/2021 02:48 PM	Quality decisions concerning the environment.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 12:01 AM	Economically and environmentally sustainable places.

Optional question (93 response(s), 367 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q25 "Resilience": What concernsdo you have for the future?

Anonymous 2/03/2021 10:55 AM	Continued revenue cuts and an ongoing program of deferred maintenance just make it harder to maintain the system - let along do any creative planning for adaptation.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 12:39 PM	That City of Boulder properties not be too developed and still feel wild/natural
Anonymous 2/03/2021 01:30 PM	Continued fires and episodic floods - not learning anything from these natural disasters.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:07 PM	Frequently repeated, major financial challenges may occur throughout the larger system of the City of Boulder that throw off the balance for the PR Department (and/ or other departments) to a degree that makes it difficult/ impossible to recover.
Anonymous	Not enough attention and things will begin to become less than or fall into

2/03/2021 03:13 PM	disrepair.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 03:15 PM	I am concerned about the worsening wildfires, the impact of drought, erosion of trails, etc. It worries me that without proper management, we may not be proactive enough
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:57 PM	My concern is that the decline of our trees is too far gone.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:50 PM	How can we accommodate increased usage without losing the secluded atmosphere people like on the trails etc.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:09 PM	noxious weeds, too many people trampling creekside habitats
Anonymous 2/03/2021 08:13 PM	Loss of staff. Reduced budgets due to revenue shortfalls for the city. Failure to maintain facilities.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 10:19 PM	If we are not resilient and are not prepared, our next generation will not be prepared to take care of what we left behind
BW 2/03/2021 11:23 PM	Collapse; broken facilities shuttered doors overgrown parks. Mud instead of lake.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:35 AM	Lack of money may make this hard to do.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 08:23 AM	That nothing about management will change to reflect growing numbers and impact, as well as the way the natural landscape is changing because of climate
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:08 AM	Transplants overrunning my hometown and changing it so much that I no longer consider Boulder my hometown because I no longer recognize it - this is happening at an alarming rate all over Boulder.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:19 AM	Besides environmental concerns (fire, flood, drought etc.), I am concerned about how many people there are in the city using the parks and trails.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:42 AM	One concern is that we will not be able to “prepare” enough before climate changes truly takes hold.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 11:43 AM	I'm concerned that Boulder will continue to ignore the unsafe conditions in parks.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 03:20 PM	That institutional wisdom will be lost when older residents are not listened to about how it "used to be". That young people will think they have to "reinvent the wheel" and think challenges need new ways; most things have solutions

	already. People just need to believe the solution is worth the pain of the moment to get to the joy of the result.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 04:00 PM	Overlooking of development pressures as a negative thing. Boulder needs to grow, so does the park system. They can grow hand in hand.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:26 PM	That our community is short sited and doesn't look at the possible effects on the whole community (our growing homeless population, BPOC community members, the elderly, isolation of LGBTQ elders , those with disabilities, etc.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 07:03 AM	Our Water supply.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 02:10 PM	Maintenance is not as flashy as buying new property. However, if you don't plan to maintain current parks, the environment will be degraded which is clearly what is happening near Boulder Creek.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 02:55 PM	Degradation, abuse, incorrect infrastructure,
Anonymous 2/06/2021 11:49 AM	too much population influx/growth and over use of the city facilities and amenities by persons and families that are not Boulder City residents. The City needs to incentivize Boulder residents use and to dis-incentivize non-City residents use.
sepideh 2/07/2021 07:15 AM	I am concerned that we may experience so much flooding, drought, and fire, that it will become hard to live here.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 09:25 AM	Again that there will be an imbalance of concerns and expenditures, focused on the younger and more athletic groups versus the underserved older populations.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 02:54 PM	That without a real focus on this, business will continue as usual
Anonymous 2/09/2021 07:42 AM	Reliance on recreation revenue and sales tax (particularly the former) - Rec as a "volume based business" shows its weakness in times like these. How can we insulate from year-to-year shocks and funding changes?
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:07 AM	That because the hardest decisions aren't always made right away we might put ourselves in a situation for something that feels worse later. Or that we try to over-extend ourselves and create a situation that isn't sustainable with no clear way to solve for that without additional funding we don't have.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 10:25 AM	Crises like we have seen will likely happen again in my lifetime. Especially as climate change continues we will see worse times ahead.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:36 PM	that we're not doing enough to protect it

Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:55 PM	Seems to me, if we don't shift with the moving sands of change, services could become obsolete or moving with leaving larger portions of other needs behind. This would coincide with making services relevant to most and financially more sound.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 03:34 PM	n/a
Anonymous 2/09/2021 04:09 PM	That we expedite management of our forests so that we will have fewer wildfires. Breathing smoke is harmful to all.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:04 PM	People don’t move w technology
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:27 PM	None for now.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:35 AM	Fires, loss of trees and animals, indiscriminate treatment of prairie dogs.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:16 AM	That the population growth with destroy our outdoor environments.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:32 AM	That the voices who make decisions for the city have open ears and are representing the community and not their own ideals
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:39 AM	I have concerns about how increased population will impact our environment. Sensitive ecosystems including flora and fauna should be of utmost importance! I worry that with increased population, these ecosystems may be further disrupted. Increased trail maintenance so people are more likely to stay on trails, increased "limited areas" for important species habitat would increase flora/fauna ecosystems.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:39 AM	Wildfires, climate change, transients, overuse and increased population stressing our parks and ecosystems. I want a safe place with a healthy landscape for my young family.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	everyone moving to outskirt towns so that jacks those prices up
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	That our assets (turf and bathrooms for example) will begin to suffer due to water restrictions
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:52 AM	As the climate changes, as the usage increases I just hope that we can sustain our amazing natural resources.
Anonymous	That Parks & Rec would become a lessened priority in the county .

2/10/2021 11:42 AM

Anonymous
2/10/2021 12:01 PM

Overuse and misplaced priorities

Anonymous
2/10/2021 01:43 PM

That rising taxes and costs will make the city unaffordable for seniors and ordinary working stiffs.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 01:50 PM

Not being able to pivot quickly to societal demands snd changes.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 02:20 PM

That what we have will not be relevant

Anonymous
2/10/2021 03:37 PM

budget-based excuses for not getting the work done

Anonymous
2/10/2021 05:00 PM

Our country has removed History as a core requirement of our Education system. We don't have a prayer to tackle our future without understanding our past. This includes all views, not just white, male, war victors. If we learn from our mistakes, we can be resilient in this time of change.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 05:00 PM

That expediency or obstinancy will doom us to not being prepared for the future.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 07:21 AM

Climate change and poor industry & personal behavior

Anonymous
2/11/2021 07:36 AM

people stop paying attention to the land.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 08:14 AM

Being able to handle increasing demand for services

Anonymous
2/11/2021 08:23 AM

That managers are not adept to change and do not focus on resilience. While watering and pesticides have bee reduced, planting are not always native species, there is too much low cut grass in many parks and there is not enough shade for summer enjoyment of many parks.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 09:18 AM

I am concerned that our department will fault to "reactive" processes because changing the status quo is hard work and challenging. I do have hope though that we can work on solutions (even small ones!) that can make our city more resilient.

Anonymous
2/11/2021 12:09 PM

That budget cuts are going to change the options we have in the future

Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:26 PM	That you will go with easier choices.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:41 PM	We are allowing our Parks to degrade because of social and political squabbling, and our refusal to enforce long established policies. We enforce residential zoning and construction codes, but we refuse to enforce policies on park usage. And as a result, the resilience of our outdoor space is dying.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 03:45 PM	That the Park and Rec department will not adapt to the current reality, and stay set in its inefficient 20th century ways, and just doing the same old, same old.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 06:52 PM	Finite resource protection
Anonymous 2/13/2021 12:43 PM	Wildlife is not able to adapt.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 06:38 AM	Flood, snow, heat. Wind
Anonymous 2/16/2021 08:40 AM	We don't.
Anonymous 2/18/2021 01:05 AM	That Boulder will become even more of an echo chamber of wealthy people on the left and right fighting over prairie dogs instead of serving residents' down to earth needs.
Marja Duggan 2/19/2021 07:12 AM	Too many people and dogs.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:18 PM	Overuse combined with fires, and climate change.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:18 PM	N/A
Anonymous 2/20/2021 08:24 AM	Money. Planning ahead can be expensive. Texas is our current example.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 02:56 PM	Human overuse and off-trail use comes first to my mind.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:29 PM	That fostering a community sensibility around streetscapes and parks is left in the hands of too few of our citizens
Jean Rosmarin	I worry that when leagues start, there will be competition for courts and the

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casual family players and young twenties will get discouraged.

Anonymous
2/21/2021 10:52 AM

Balancing short term desires with long term needs.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 11:40 AM

Develop of parks and open space for commercial reasons.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 02:21 PM

It's hard to create a culture of adaptation and change while supporting people in career development. Jobs will change and evolve and that should be welcomed but staff but also accommodated strategically by supervisors and leadership and then supported with personal development opportunities. Resiliency will improve not when there's more staff turnover but when staff at all levels feel a part of the community and integrated into goal of creating a healthy and vibrant community culture. Expertise and culture can both be learned and should co-exist.

Anonymous
2/22/2021 03:28 PM

That parks will exploit rather than protect the public lands

Anonymous
2/23/2021 09:20 AM

Continued overcrowding in open space

Anonymous
2/23/2021 01:36 PM

I am concerned that Parks and Rec is beginning to become unduly focused on financial and profit centers at the expense of their core, critical focuses including appropriate types of planning for resilience as mentioned above.

Anonymous
2/24/2021 08:26 AM

That water shortages will become a more frequent thing and certain parks will suffer because irrigation will have to be cut. Boulder has some of the most beautiful parks along the Front Range, but some of those parks may need to be "let go" as turf areas may not be able to be maintained. Issues like this may be difficult for the public to accept.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 01:40 PM

This is easy to say and hard to do - for any organization

Anonymous
2/25/2021 05:32 PM

There is great resistance to adding more pickleball courts, saying that the data doesn't support this. That's not true. You're comparing apples to oranges. Look at the reservations for pickleball vs. tennis at the SAME times. During the heat of the day, few people play either tennis or pickleball. Additionally, since pickleball will continue to be played outdoors ALL year long, the courts should be maintained (shoveled). All the other facilities get maintained (pool, gym, sidewalks, etc.). The courts should be snowblown. Parks & Rec has said that this is not a financial issue - so why has it taken SO long? The restriping of Chautauqua has taken over 6 months to do correctly. The addition of inside pickleball nets at NBRC took over 2 YEARS. Drop in members had data to prove that many times on their allotted days, there were 20+ pickleball players, playing on 2 courts, until the Rec Center

finally added one additonal net.

Morgan_Gardner
2/26/2021 08:19 AM

We continue relying on insecure funding methods and have to see this happen again.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 08:30 AM

Loss... again, loss is the biggest concern across the board for the future.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 08:54 AM

Closures or diminishing services. I would like to really see accessibility for all. You have some people who function well with getting reservations for popular things the minute they become available online. Other people don't thrive in that type of situation. Having more of a balance on first come first served situations.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 09:43 AM

That physical spaces get abandoned for digital ones.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 10:58 AM

Planting/managing for current climates, as opposed to future climates.

Janet
2/26/2021 02:48 PM

The opposite of #9.

Optional question (89 response(s), 371 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q26 What is the one big idea the Parks and Recreation Department could do in the next 1-3 years that would be the most beneficial?

Anonymous
2/01/2021 03:20 PM

testing

Anonymous
2/02/2021 07:55 AM

KEEP THE METH OUT OF OUR PARKS!!

Anonymous
2/02/2021 01:09 PM

Create a P and Rec Youth Advisory Board

Anonymous
2/03/2021 08:45 AM

Restore some land to its natural setting by removing sod and planting native grasses etc

Anonymous
2/03/2021 09:25 AM

Increase police patrols and enforcement of current ordinances so people can feel safe again in parks.

Anonymous

Acquiring more space for parks and maintain them.

2/03/2021 09:42 AM

Anonymous
2/03/2021 10:55 AM

Develop a thorough analysis of the REAL costs of operating and maintaining the system and build community support for full funding.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 11:00 AM

More tennis courts! With COVID, tennis is becoming increasingly popular - racket sales are up 25+%!

Anonymous
2/03/2021 11:50 AM

CREATE DOG PARKS in all neighborhoods!!! Or welcome off leash play in existing parks.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 12:16 PM

Ideally, I would love some of our youth programs to be as good as private clubs so more low income youth are able to participate in high school sports

Anonymous
2/03/2021 12:39 PM

more shuttles to trails with more easily accessed info on how to use a shuttle. I've lived here 8 years and still don't know hoe to take the Chautauqua shuttle

Anonymous
2/03/2021 12:45 PM

Community activities in the parks...star gazing. Yoga, book clubs, picnics, dancing, music not just downtown! In each neighborhood

Anonymous
2/03/2021 12:49 PM

no motorized water craft on the rez. They are so noisy and it is such a small place. It would be so much more enjoyable if it was like Union reservoir. Paddling seems more in line with health too.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 01:30 PM

Involving the youth and the seniors w/ the general public. I would like to see some progress made with this - I think it would benefit the relations between the new (likely, non-natives) and Boulderites (both non-native and native to CO).

Anonymous
2/03/2021 01:39 PM

Engage with community groups to sponsor events, and make those known across the community

Anonymous
2/03/2021 02:52 PM

Another big water option. Whether it's cleaning Viele Lake for paddleboarding or planning to invest in another big outdoor pool, there are not nearly enough outdoor water options - especially for youth

Anonymous
2/03/2021 03:07 PM

Acknowledging the depth and complexity of social and individual challenges that drive some people to take up residency in, or otherwise occupy many public park spaces in ways that exclude other users, please do not give up trying to be part of the emerging solution by creative, compassionate implementation of policy and best practices for public health and safety. Keep up the ongoing efforts and double down on strong leadership behaviors and communication in support of the staff involved in these ongoing efforts and frequently demonstrate the efforts to the community. The more publicly these issues are communicated, the more the community understands how much it takes to sustain these efforts and perhaps begins to engage towards solutions rather than criticize staff/departments. Continue working in

collaboration with all relevant city departments, to support safe, sanitary conditions in our urban parks and associated public spaces. Continue to do the hard work involved in helping people who often occupy parks and other public areas due to their own hardships to have other options. Best wishes going forward

Anonymous
2/03/2021 03:15 PM

Working with the community on climate change resilience efforts

Anonymous
2/03/2021 03:35 PM

Continue to provide classes that allow pandemic precautions to be taken.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 03:37 PM

Reduce restrictions on use at Boulder Reservoir. Allow swimming from shore.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 03:39 PM

Keep delivering high quality outdoor and pool facilities.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 03:49 PM

Local health fair (NOT with non-scientifically-based propaganda or booths) accessible to lower-income areas/subsidized housing and older adults. Another geared towards youth.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 04:04 PM

I honestly think BPR does a great job already and I'd hate to add more work to anyone's plate (see previous responses about limited resources), but... here's a thought: I think we take for granted that so much of this community is active and healthy, but I would love to see an education campaign on how daily activity (with an emphasis on outdoor activity and fresh air, given the pandemic) is physically and mentally beneficial. And I think it would be more helpful to emphasize all the ways in which this can be done simply and easily. Spending 30 minutes in a neighborhood park with your child before they begin their homework, walking one of our multi-use paths during your lunch break, a 1-hour swim in one of our lap pools in the early evening, etc. And maybe highlighting the smaller properties/spaces like our pocket parks (encouraging community members to give a shoutout to their favorite pocket park). So many in Boulder think "physical activity" and assume this means a full day of downhill skiing (time consuming and expensive) or climbing a mountain (not everyone's cup of tea). I personally think the community could benefit from refocusing on the opportunities for physical activity and fresh air that are right at our fingertips and can easily be woven into a busy day. It might also be a great way to encourage the folks in our community who are not active and need encouragement but feel overwhelmed by Boulder's "Uber athlete" community. I know a lot of this work is done through the rec centers and the wide range of programming there, but would love to see this extended to outdoor spaces and non-programmed activity.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 04:06 PM

Indoor tennis courts

Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:07 PM	Add more yoga, qigong and meditation classes ~ which nourish both physical and psychological health/wellness.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:17 PM	Valmont park across from bike park development not just for sports leagues
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:18 PM	Not sure.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:49 PM	Indoor tennis facility. Or bubble the North or East courts in the winter like RMTC does.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:50 PM	Update aging facilities , play equipment, newer more modern park play structures. Shade structure when possible.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:53 PM	Provide a space for roller derby to exist. We need a space that is 108 feet long by 75 feet wide.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:56 PM	Continue virtual classes for those that can't make it out of their homes to the rec center for classes, beyond the pandemic. As someone without a car, it's hard to get to the rec in the winter when it's cold and dark. With virtual classes I have been able to take far more classes thru the rec than ever before.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 04:57 PM	Provide assistance to property owners and HOAs in maintaining and enhancing trees in our community.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:02 PM	Better manage visitation. For example, I just won’t go to chataqua anymore. Too crowded.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:06 PM	Cut your staff and budget in half or more and lower taxes
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:11 PM	Work to reduce intensity of trail usage including unleashed pets
Anonymous 2/03/2021 05:17 PM	PLEASE care for our existing parks and civic areas so ALL members of the community can enjoy those spaces! In the current state, some areas no longer feel safe.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:18 PM	Make programs and facilities accessible and affordable to all. This would include being represented in all geographic locations.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:47 PM	Hire qualified staff with experience in sustainability and fixing existing things

Anonymous 2/03/2021 06:50 PM	Another Rec center.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:09 PM	create housing for homeless and meth treatment facilities so people don't camp along creeks - I'd be willing to pay more in taxes for this
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:12 PM	More off street paths. More efficient parking situation for Chautauqua.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:17 PM	Indoor tennis facility or a bubble for winter
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:40 PM	Build at least six dedicated, lighted, outdoor pickleball courts.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:40 PM	More splash pads and pools and activities for fun summer play
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:43 PM	Reopening and rejuvenating our rec centers.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 08:25 PM	Provide free or low-cost passes and programming to lower-income residents in Boulder. Prioritize healthy habits for all of Boulder's residents
Anonymous 2/03/2021 08:35 PM	heat source for platform tennis
Anonymous 2/03/2021 08:53 PM	Preserve Parks for various activities,, in a safe and atractive manner. 1. Walking priorities for all. Families, kids, elderlies should have a save environement to enjoy nature undisturbed. 2. Create separate Bike Paths so Bikers can enjoy their Passion. 3 Install creative Playgrounds for Kids and grown up Kids. 4.Consider other activities for locals and tourists. I.e. Rock climbing, Paragliding, Kiting, Athletics etc.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 09:21 PM	ROLLER SKATING FACILITIES THAT INCLUDE ROLLER DERBY RINK
Anonymous 2/03/2021 10:19 PM	Build a community oriented building (like a roller derby ring) where it accepts all ages and everyone who wants to participate
Anonymous 2/04/2021 04:25 AM	Increase services for Expand program
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:41 AM	Open another park like eben g fine. Or create a creek side area like it, at Scott carpenter. Or expand the gym at North boulder rec, it's currently tiny.

Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:50 AM	BUILD BUILD BUILD as many trails as possible that connect and increase trail mileage.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:56 AM	Address water quality in local lakes. Viele Lake in south Boulder is in need of algae control (likely due to it being runoff from the neighborhood and all the geese).
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:30 AM	A large community focused initiative, cleanup effort or giving back something that entices all to engage
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:35 AM	Make sure every child has an opportunity to enjoy our programs and parks. In Boulder. Document their participation. Honor them!
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:35 AM	What would be really nice, but likely not probable, is to increase our open space and trail system. The other option for reducing overcrowding is creating more restrictions on the use of our trails, which is not desireable.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:48 AM	Upgrade the landscaping of our parks. Better irrigation, weed control, and get the damn geese out of our south Boulder parks. I’ve been navigating around goose droppings for years and we all know there has been an out crying to deal with this problem and nothing has been done to SOLVE the problem.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:49 AM	Cut staff and focus on basics
Anonymous 2/04/2021 08:23 AM	Roller skating space and partnering with roller derby would bring not only skaters from around the county to the space (where they engage in recreation, but also eat/drink/spend time in Boulder) but during larger events you will see people and support from out of state. Denver Roller Derby hosts a large tournament with international skaters and thousands in attendance each night, and they don't have a space for it. This space can support not only the city, but the county and state in outreach, community engagement, and solid tourism
Anonymous 2/04/2021 08:36 AM	Find a way to control the parks better. Full time PD or LE officers
mtnman47 2/04/2021 08:40 AM	Repair existing trails. The trail on the south side of Lee Hill where the stream crossing was destroyed by the 2013 flood has still not been repaired. Fix what you have before going on to the next big idea.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:08 AM	Bring all management of every inch of trail system in Boulder under one roof = One place to the public to go to answer questions, fill complaints or concerns, report problems, etc. As it stands now, there are at least 3 different departments responsible for our trails. That is flat out ridiculous. Parks and Rec should manage all trails or at least be the senior management team.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 09:19 AM	Similar to the previous questions, I think the department needs to take care of the parks they own and revamp them to accommodate all the people that

use them. They need to figure out the trash and homeless problem, making them safe for everyone and fixing the benches, trails, picnic tables and other structures. The first park should be Coot Lake!

Anonymous
2/04/2021 09:37 AM

fire mitigation

Anonymous
2/04/2021 09:42 AM

I have no improvement ideas at this time, as I am new to the Boulder area.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 09:51 AM

Provide additional bike access. Specifically: a trail below the Mesa Trail connecting the city to Eldorado Springs Drive and a trail from Eldorado Springs to Walker ranch.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 10:03 AM

Add more trails and trail connectivity.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 10:23 AM

Require dogs to be leashed on open space. Many people do not have control of their dogs. You know and I know it. I see it every single time I visit open space. Boulder open space has become one big dog park, and a lot of people treat it that way.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 10:37 AM

make the rec centers affordable.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 11:34 AM

Pickleball courts.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 11:43 AM

I mentioned this earlier, but I'd like to see more nature trails, bioswales, and other water ways to manage water, give a little back to wildlife, and have less lawn to manage. The southern 1/3 of North Boulder Park is usually soggy and unusable, and flood waters regularly sweep through and push away the mulch on the playground. Adding bioswales and natural vegetation along the waterways could help. The nature trail at Crest View Park is a good example.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 11:50 AM

Start charging parking fees at all trailheads.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 02:26 PM

Indoor snowboarding/ski park? Not sure - I like what we have.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 02:37 PM

Provide free rec passes for everyone in the community. Provide free rec passes for all older adults (not just those that qualify for SilverSneakers)

Anonymous
2/04/2021 02:44 PM

I play pretty much every sport. For the most part I feel the municipality has done well with providing amenities for the space they are given. I never struggle to find a tennis court or a place to shoot hoops etc. with only one exception: pickleball. The game is getting so popular so fast that, assuming

no additional courts are constructed, the pickleball players will be mobbing the front desk of every rec center demanding more space to play. I jest, of course, but the game isn't going anywhere. Erie community park is able to ink 4 pickleball courts on to a single tennis court (16 people for ONE court). If Boulder P&R could figure out a way to do that they would appease the pickleball community without diminishing the number of tennis courts or having to construct something new.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 03:33 PM

Stop enforcement of the camping ban, advocate for its repeal and use the net savings to better serve everyone, including houseless people.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 04:00 PM

Master Plan connectivity of greenspace from East to West, North to South of Boulder County. Everyone should have access to the 'greenway', from any neighborhood or street in Boulder.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 05:26 PM

Build roller skating rinks (indoor and outdoor), make Rec center passes (yearly) very affordable for a blue collar worker that wouldn't qualify for the LI rate, affordable pool passes, etc.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 06:57 PM

make our parks more appealing to all? Make sure dogs are allowed and controlled.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 07:08 PM

Create an indoor, multipurpose court for groups and organizations to build community

Anonymous
2/04/2021 07:12 PM

All I can think of is related to this stupid pandemic that has kept me away from my daily routine. It's too much hassle -- and I've become comfy in my lazy rut -- to make reservations, go to the rec center, pay even though I had an annual pass, limit myself to an hour, etc. Aside from pandemic-related issues? Probably educate our citizenry on (1) invasive species and the need to eradicate or control them, and (2) the natural order, like cute things do get eaten by predators, fires do happen, etc. Not to say that we should encourage killing or wildfires, but the perceived need (some would say overreaction) to protect every single living thing is getting us into trouble.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 08:35 PM

Keep existing parks clean and safe and useable

Anonymous
2/04/2021 10:26 PM

First of all, open everything up right away. What good are the facilities doing for the community if they're closed? Second, make it cheaper. We pay high property taxes, sales taxes, vehicle registration, etc. Our rec center passes shouldn't cost another $1,000 per year on top of all that.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 10:32 PM

Keep parks open whenever possible.

Anonymous
2/05/2021 05:15 AM

1 Add more outdoor ping pong tables. There is only 1 that I know of. 2 Create Pickleball courts

Anonymous 2/05/2021 06:11 AM	Ban camping in city parks, so parents are not scared to take their children to them.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 08:17 AM	Create a landscape (tees, sandtraps, beauty) improvement plan for the golf course.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 10:37 AM	Help the city improve its recognition and mitigation of institutional biases toward marginalized community members and prospective community members.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 02:10 PM	As above
Anonymous 2/05/2021 02:55 PM	tools to help spread out the people across all the open space
Anonymous 2/05/2021 04:49 PM	To ensure user satisfaction. Perhaps Parks and Rec could do better about asking users for feedback, utilizing various means to do this.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 11:03 PM	Pickleball
Anonymous 2/06/2021 10:57 AM	Allocate funding to repair what we have, not to now projects
Anonymous 2/06/2021 11:49 AM	collect detailed data concerning usage and demographics to better plan and manage recreational trends and budgets, including ways to better accommodate Boulder city residents rather than the increasing influx of non-City residents
Anonymous 2/06/2021 02:11 PM	Big Idea? Not a clue. I like the parks now. I enjoy everything about 'em. Ok, how about this. A water park for dogs. Twin Lakes is lovely, but we could use another one that's similar. A place where dogs and owners could work out together. Did I really just type that? I'm brainstorming - you asked for it!
Anonymous 2/07/2021 05:41 AM	Expand and manage Pickleball courts recognizing this fast growing sport
Anonymous 2/07/2021 10:53 AM	Offering low-income children subsidized clinics on various sports to increase their opportunity and participation.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 09:25 AM	Plan to replace the South Boulder Rec Center, making it a community center more like the North Boulder center or the Louisville center. Be sure to include a large warm water pool and plenty of classes for seniors to use it.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 10:01 AM	Add a unhoused/encampment task force to the police dept/housing and human services. We only expect this situation to grow. We need to find the solutions to drug use and get people the real help - not just moving them

around??

Anonymous
2/08/2021 02:54 PM

As COVID has shown there needs to be a shift from indoor activities and sports to a more inclusive program that includes unscheduled outdoor activities/passive recreation.

Anonymous
2/08/2021 03:34 PM

continue to be flexible and adaptable to the changing landscape of needs adn how those needs are being meet

Anonymous
2/08/2021 04:13 PM

RE-OPEN the East Boulder Rec Ctr.

Anonymous
2/08/2021 07:44 PM

Build a dedicated, outdoor, lighted pickleball complex with at least eight courts. This can be a revenue stream as it would support tournament play. In addition, please paint at least 10 more pickleball courts on existing city tennis courts. At this time, Boulder does not have enough pickleball courts to meet the demand and anticipated growth. Up to four pickleball courts can fit on one tennis court, meaning that the city can serve 16 citizens playing pickleball on one tennis courts verses 2-4 tennis players on the same court. There are 36 city tennis courts, 31 dedicated to tennis; there are 12 pickleball courts, none of which are dedicated to pickleball (i.e., all are shared with other sports). Help, please!

Anonymous
2/08/2021 08:13 PM

Build a regulation 400m track! Boulder is a mecca for competitive athletes, including amateurs, and somehow all the existing tracks, which are owned by educational institutions publicly funded or not, are off-limits.

Anonymous
2/08/2021 11:05 PM

stop wasting money.

Anonymous
2/09/2021 08:07 AM

Implement sliding scale. Ensure the right people get the right subsidy rather than all those who qualify getting all subsidy and others who don't quite getting nothing.

Anonymous
2/09/2021 08:41 AM

Refreshing of facilities to keep the current.

Anonymous
2/09/2021 09:17 AM

Invest in the facilities and staff. Improve the status of facilities and rehire positions that were cut in 2020. Creates a better experience for users while also dispersing the work load to ensure participant needs are taken care of.

Anonymous
2/09/2021 10:25 AM

Examine how our recreation centers will look into the new future - how will we serve the community in this new more virtual life and how do we ensure it is sustainable.

shaquettay
2/09/2021 11:17 AM

Events, workshops, organized kids' activities, etc., in Eben Fine Park. It is already a great park but I envision it becoming an iconic nationally acclaimed park especially considering Tube to Work Day.

Anonymous

Recognize that City governments should not be run like the rest of the free

2/09/2021 12:24 PM	market. Ditch the breakeven budget mentality and look at taxpayer dollars as investment in the common good and the City's role in reparations for marginalized communities.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 01:06 PM	Take motorized boats off the Boulder Reservoir while increasing other non-motorized floatation sports.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 01:25 PM	An indoor sports complex similar to the sport stable in superior that could be a central hub for indoor sports and leagues.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:00 PM	Add Pickleball Courts
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:04 PM	Pickleball is a rapidly growing sport that encourages those of us older than 60 to remain active and take care of our health. I don't know how many people have given up on it, but if Parks and Recreation could ADD to the previous availability, I believe it would encourage its growth.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:36 PM	add a large pickleball complex, it's the fastest-growing sport in the US and brings in a lot of money with tournaments and pickleball camps.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:42 PM	Consider giving the Pottery Lab building to Studio Arts Boulder provided that Studio Arts Boulder operate it as a Pottery Lab for the length of a typical mortgage, say 30 years.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:53 PM	Build more pickle ball courts.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:55 PM	Stay afloat. Charge those who use the services ...including open space. So many people must be putting burdens on the care of the facilities and land.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 03:12 PM	Look at other communities - as mentioned Littleton
Anonymous 2/09/2021 03:18 PM	Realize that the needs of the community have changed and be able to react to those needs quickly. I can not believe that a place like Boulder is so behind in the development of pickleball courts.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 03:34 PM	Add a large pickleball facility with dedicated and lighted courts.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 04:09 PM	Take care of what we have and help make sure that everyone knows about our resources, not just those who have a computer and internet access
Anonymous 2/09/2021 04:47 PM	Serve all groups and offer programs tailored to all abilities not just athletes
Anonymous	get better micro data on the demographics of neighborhoods around existing

2/09/2021 05:02 PM	parks; compare that to facilities at each park and usage of each park
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:04 PM	Seniors working w youth
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:27 PM	Build some bocce ball courts can be built, even if players have to have their own set of bocce balls. I submitted a request a year of so ago, and never heard back. Build some shuffle boards. It's gaining in popularity.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:31 PM	Multigenerational activities----grandma and grandson swim night Grandpa and granddaughter gymnastics
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:44 PM	More pickleball courts!
Anonymous 2/09/2021 07:14 PM	Line more pickleball courts.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 07:46 PM	Add dedicated pickleball courts
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:38 PM	Most beneficial? to me? Public/private a partnership to include a Pickleball Park in South Boulder CU Campus South. Most beneficial to whom? To all? - will be determined by listening to voices other than my own and finding balance within community. Celebrations of life!
Anonymous 2/09/2021 09:03 PM	more mountain bike trails
Anonymous 2/10/2021 06:16 AM	Convert more of the tennis courts to full-time pickleball: There's no contest in terms of efficiency (you get 8 people exercising in the same area as 2 typically use) or popularity. City snow removal from the courts would also help a lot, though of course this is partly a short-term need as most of us will go back to using the gyms at least in the winter.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 07:54 AM	Charge people outside of Boulder to use our parks
Anonymous 2/10/2021 08:15 AM	Add more pickleball courts
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:20 AM	Add a new rec center
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:21 AM	Stop homeless people from camping in our playgrounds so our kids can actually use them.

Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:25 AM	Improved bike lanes connecting Gunbarrel & Boulder
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:31 AM	Pickleball facilities
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:34 AM	Continue to expand spaces for public art education and access. The Pottery Studio in Chautauqua is a city treasure. And creating other spaces like it would be a boon to our city.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:35 AM	Work with other communities to join parks together.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:39 AM	Excellence in programing
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:42 AM	Significant expansion on more youth dedicated activities and facilities both indoor, e.g. pottery classes and outdoor, e.g. Chautauqua story time, and programs that will not be easily overtaken by other segment of general public.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:45 AM	I would like to see park planners and managers educated about the needs of kids with sensory issues and to make parks sensory-friendly. Find out about playgrounds of the future and what would be needed - roofs over play equipment that let light in but not dangerous sun exposure.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:46 AM	Help support social bonds within the community, with programs for all, but especially for families and seniors by improving our lives and enhancing our leisure time.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:48 AM	Radically expanding play spaces for kids.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:50 AM	Get past the pandemic and re-open and operate just as we did before Covid.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:53 AM	Maybe expand parking along the open space trails? I would like to see Parks and Rec keep the pottery studio.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:55 AM	I'm not sure - but I would be open to hearing what others having to say and giving my feedback on what I think would be most beneficial to the community.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:56 AM	Stop the CU South program expansion.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:03 AM	Create or at least offer space for a business incubator.

Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:04 AM	Focus on Local(s). I think viewing every new project and program through the lens of what it does for the citizens of Boulder County would be a meaningful idea. Tourism is obviously important but in the past 10-20 years I feel local Boulder County communities have been neglected. Chautauqua and Flatiron Trail areas can barely keep up with demand to the point of abuse. The building of new hotels on 28th st where a park or rec center could have been built is a great example. We have very limited space in Boulder and I believe that keeping a focus on what can be done for locals would be meaningful.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:10 AM	expanding access to art, music, or other cultural learning opportunities
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:10 AM	Maintain, conserve and improve while welcoming more use.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:14 AM	Keeping our parks and trails free of used drug needles and trash and excrement from the influx of transients who want to take advantage of the fact that Boulder is an affluent area of people who have hearts that are too good not to hand out money. Is there anything you can do to influence the opportunities available for our homeless and protect them from the strung out transients just looking to con people?
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:16 AM	Remodel Spruce piol
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:32 AM	I'm not sure if this is possible in a city gov, but ensure that there is funding that transfers year to year to absorb any bumps (a trust, endowment, leftover funds (not sure if this occurs, I know that the a city is not meant to be a money maker like a private organization, but instead serve it's community)
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:38 AM	I would love to see more community building offered for the general public similar to what is offered at the Rec Center Senior Program areas. It would be great if there were dances, trip offerings, and elective classes that everyone could opt in for.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:39 AM	Increased trail maintenance and trail information about "staying on the trail"
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:39 AM	Focusing on under 18 year old needs. Boulder favors the old and wealthy. Politics favors people with jobs, money and time. Children are the future. They should be a priority and are the ones who will ensure long term resilience and viability. But they have to care first and have a seat at the table of interests.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	keep it up
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	MAKE A BIGGER ART STUDIO. fully support the large addition planned by boulder pottery lab

Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:42 AM	convert buildings and fleet to solar/electric and move off the grid completely
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:43 AM	More youth programming
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:47 AM	Work in collaboration with the programs for the homeless population along the creeks and in the parks, to bring people out of homelessness and again make the creek paths and parks accessible and safe for all.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:48 AM	I made a few suggestions on the previous section. I don't have one big idea, just a few small ones. Keep up the good work. Keep the interfaces smooth (websites, registration). Help those who struggle to afford programs.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:48 AM	Replace grass with landscape plants that would provide free and healthy food to residents - create an urban food forest.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:49 AM	Support Studio Arts Boulder! Sell them the building on the hill. Memorialize the wood kiln agreement for as long as SAB continues. Support their new building on the diagonal.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:04 AM	Making sure that the Pottery Lab and Studio Arts Boulder has the blessing and support of the City of Boulder would be extremely beneficial to its health and well-being.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:23 AM	Support the BIG PICTURE of recreation by including activities such as the arts. Recreation is not only sports, dance, exercise etc
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:25 AM	More pools & access to them.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:38 AM	Work across agencies to properly support the itinerant and homeless population that has no other perceived option than shelter in parks.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:41 AM	Just keep encouraging our idea for creating a true Studio Arts building, as well as maintaining our poorer your headquarters on Aurora.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:42 AM	Patrol Open space that is near rural communities for impact of off leash dogs and bikers. Aquire additional Open Space that is set aside for nature.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:45 AM	Reach out to diverse communities by actively inviting targeted diverse neighborhoods to come together on a common project. The garden work done on the Fenway in Boston is one example with this kind of roots.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:49 AM	Change the Boulder Reservoir to non-motorized watercraft only.

Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:01 PM	Keep what you are doing, do it well and protect against growing demands
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:38 PM	Create a full circle bike path that does not use any street biking. We need more ways to cross Broadway
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:42 PM	Invest in multilingual programming. Create more parks that are culturally accessible- having spaces to bbq, not just spaces to run.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:43 PM	Boulder County rec centers are old and noticeably outdated compared to rec centers of surrounding counties and what is currently available across the country. Update and modernize the structures, especially family fun areas like pools and playgrounds.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:44 PM	Address Family entertainment. There aren't a lot of options inside Boulder. Maybe look at a family recreation-based facility - that includes indoor & outdoor options. Some amenity ideas: Ninja course (drop-in and classes), ropes course, mini bowling lanes, interactive wall/floor games, soccer pool tables, etc. Some other ideas regarding the Rec Centers: Develop an after-hours entry or pass system, for individuals to use the cardio/weight areas. Some places give out key fobs or id cards to members that only work through certain doors. Not sure how this would work for closing off access to other parts of the facilities, but would be a big benefit for those individuals who can't always work out during normal hours. It could also maybe help with cost savings as staff wouldn't need to be onsite. Provide more functional fitness & "Olympic" lifting opportunities - none of the recreation centers really provide adequate space for deadlifts/snatch/cleans. The fitness equipment improvements at the South Center are a plus and moving in the right direction.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:02 PM	Please start working on the new Studio Arts Boulder location, start construction on the building. The existing pottery lab is full all the time (when not in Covid) and classes sell out within minutes. Expanding will help and bring in money to the city, people want a creative release now more than ever.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:26 PM	Please clean up the Boulder Creek path.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:39 PM	Gift the firehouse to Studio Arts Boulder
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:43 PM	More parks instead of houses, especially in flood -prone areas. I'm thinking specifically of that environmental travesty, Waterview, proposed by Kroll for the creekside area north of Arapahoe and west of South Boulder Creek.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:44 PM	return to pre-Covid level of functioning in terms of non-scheduled access to pools , gym, other facilities

Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:58 PM	Buy or get gifted more Open Space. The demand has grown exponentially.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:20 PM	Have no idea- I do believe that ideas that will work have to come from the field- a group.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 02:23 PM	Have a larger pottery lab
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:44 PM	Expand classes where people make things including Pottery Lab, Design Lab at the library, art classes that are free and accessible to everyone.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 03:49 PM	Maintain tennis courts - they are free and open to public, maybe have some weekend free lessons with donated rackets.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 04:09 PM	I would like to see a much larger investment in community arts facilities and programs. I want to see Studio Arts Boulder grow, but I also want to see arts classes be made available in all disciplines--including (especially??) the performing arts! We have amazing arts in this city but an appalling lack of community arts programs.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 04:32 PM	maintaining an open dialogue with clients
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:00 PM	More space for potters! Anagama kiln in Chautaqua in a new artisan section with glass blowing, potters, painters, batik, and other trade makers -- with education programs in the style of apprenticeship. (You said go Big)
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:00 PM	Make facility use affordable for everyone living in Boulder.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 05:27 PM	New pottery lab. Ease for folks who have less financial assets to be apart of what this community is offering.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 06:56 PM	Education campaign on leave no trace principles
Anonymous 2/10/2021 07:29 PM	Maintain and improve the established open spaces and parks
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:14 PM	Make the Boulder Res LARGER...so its not a pond...and ses pool of bactiera.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:37 PM	Improve the cleanliness and safety of our outdoor public spaces and do not allow camping on public property.

Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:19 AM	Parks and Rec and the city of Boulder could help Studio Arts Boulder financially with the development and building of the new facility. This would benefit a large portion of the community.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 06:23 AM	Attention and refresh of our parks
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:07 AM	More parking
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:21 AM	Buy and conserve more area. Local composting facility
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:34 AM	Allowing hunting in Boulder owned parks
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:36 AM	teach the relationship between healthy land and the plants/animals on the land.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:47 AM	Finish the new art building on diagonal and maintain hiking trails
Anonymous 2/11/2021 08:23 AM	Plant trees and flowering shrubs.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 08:23 AM	More education and programs regarding climate change.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 09:18 AM	I believe that "taking care of what we have" is the most beneficial thing the Parks and Recreation Department can do.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 09:51 AM	More outdoor opportunities. Adult fitness equipment, youth parks, skate, etc.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 10:16 AM	more classes, programs, rec leagues for kids and adults
Anonymous 2/11/2021 11:02 AM	PickleBall complex
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:09 PM	Creating more ways for those kids on free and reduced lunch to access the parks and especially the open spaces outside of the city proper.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:26 PM	When it is safe, resume EXPAND programming at the level it was at a year ago and then work steadily to increase it.

Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:41 PM	Aggressively enforce the ban on camping in the parks. Stop promoting policies that attract transients from outside of Boulder.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 02:28 PM	Electric shuttles to and from trailheads throughout Boulder County(all those places where the parking lots aren't big enough to hold all who want to use those trails) all year long. As we can look outside and see, global warming has hit us, no snow to amount to much all winter, so we can be outside all year long.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 03:10 PM	Continue to encourage nonjudgmental healthy aging by providing Senior/ Easier level programs.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 03:45 PM	Make it easy for the City of Boulder Arts and Culture office to help enable arts groups and arts organizations to use Park and Rec spaces for safe performances.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:03 PM	I have a disabled child and Expand has been a unique and powerful program that allows disabled adults to take part in the community through activities they all enjoy. I would like to make sure this program continues and becomes accessible to all who want to participate.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:20 PM	There needs to be more outdoor summer water activity south of Baseline (None that I know of). There is no way to cool off in reasonable biking/walking distance for kids that live down here. This could be cleaning up Viele lake so kids could maybe paddleboard, adding a new outdoor pool in South Boulder (North Boulder at least has the Elk's club) , Pop-jets or even just more open-swim time at SBRC (post covid). The schedule is so heavily dominated by Lap users kids have to be masters of the calendar to figure out if they can go. Really, anything to help cool off in the summer that is easy to get to, particularly as summers seem to be getting hotter.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 06:52 PM	The outdoors is the place to be, especially these days. continue to develop the amazng park corridor along the creek and make sure it is highly connected via alternative transportation to everywhere!
Anonymous 2/12/2021 04:31 AM	Increase public trash service in the downtown area (especially near the creek). Without this, we run the risk of harm to our entire ecosystem. More education around coexisting with bears! More education around fire safety strategies!
Anonymous 2/12/2021 10:37 AM	I'm not a big idea person, sorry
Anonymous 2/12/2021 12:04 PM	Provide better transportation to facilities.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 02:00 PM	Move as much of our sales online. (parks, memberships, etc..)

Anonymous 2/12/2021 03:02 PM	More Instagram ads and word of mouth about programs
Anonymous 2/13/2021 06:17 AM	Youth programming
Anonymous 2/13/2021 07:41 AM	Something Parks & Rec already does but I'd like to see them do more of: events (health-oriented and otherwise) that take place at the various rec centers that tie in the community. Ten years ago I took my then-8-year old daughter to North for the Father-Daughter Dance. We've taken our dog to Scott Carpenter for the year end dog pool party. I love that Fairview has its after-prom at East. Keep these ideas coming! Tie in young people and health. Get the gym teachers from Mesa and Boulder to do something at South with their kiddos while Foothill and Crest View do something at North. Tie in activities for pre-teens (the overlooked group between elementary and high school).
Anonymous 2/13/2021 08:57 AM	Build out Valmont Park. Now! It will be such a treasure and will be an anchor for the future development areas.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 10:05 AM	Open an indoor roller skating rink! One that is big enough to have an indoor skatepark, a smaller rink for birthday parties, and a bigger rink for community events and roller derby! The nostalgia of roller skating attracts older and middle aged participants, kids love it, it's an easy activity that can be done for an hour or every day. Participants can skate on their own or in groups, speed skate, skate dance and roller derby. Black and queer skaters are credited for a recent resurgence in popularity.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 12:43 PM	Charge non-residents a fee to park at all trailheads. Use this money to fund maintenance and improvements. All dog owners who want to walk off-leash should be required to have their dog’s DNA on file to enforce compliance with proper disposal of their dog waste. (Voluntary compliance is not working).
Anonymous 2/13/2021 07:54 PM	Built out south Valmont host youth sports tournaments so they don't have to travel so far
Anonymous 2/13/2021 08:20 PM	Demonstrate kindness and inclusiveness in everything you do
Anonymous 2/14/2021 06:45 AM	Expand rec centers. Too small. Improve fitness classes. Coming from the ymca system, the YCMA puts the whimpy limited fitness classes to shame.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 02:04 PM	Expand the land and don't give up any open space.
Anonymous	Pickleball facility with lots of pickleball courts and maybe even lights...

2/15/2021 02:12 PM

Anonymous
2/15/2021 05:05 PM
Embrace the fastest growing sport in America, Pickleball—with a facility that can accommodate our weather year round.

Anonymous
2/15/2021 10:24 PM
Create a youth center.

Anonymous
2/15/2021 10:34 PM
Renovate the Recreation centers.

Anonymous
2/16/2021 06:38 AM
Pickleball courts in multiple parks

Anonymous
2/16/2021 06:47 AM
Pickleball courts

Anonymous
2/16/2021 08:40 AM
Tap into the love the community has for parks to improve their care.

Anonymous
2/16/2021 01:50 PM
Don't have one in mind at the current moment

Anonymous
2/16/2021 02:42 PM
Designated Pickleball Courts

Anonymous
2/16/2021 02:42 PM
Be inclusive of seniors. Don’t just relegate them to senior centers, Jewish centers, church centers. They pay taxes and should have programs they’re interested in, not just youth programs.

Anonymous
2/17/2021 09:07 AM
Work with the City of Boulder to find a solution to the homeless problem plaguing our city parks. Whether that's more enforcement, or some progressive program to assist these individuals, something needs to be done. When many of our parks and public areas are considered unsafe by the public, we have a serious problem that needs to be addressed.

Anonymous
2/17/2021 03:18 PM
How about a mentorship program where students could earn credits. This could be with the public schools and perhaps CU students. A diverse population of students could create greater understanding for both parties, students and the Boulder community.

Anonymous
2/18/2021 01:05 AM
Somehow reach out post-Covid and help build community fun and friendships using the parks. Have parties and fun activities!

Marja Duggan
2/19/2021 07:12 AM
Start raising funds by charging parking fees

Anonymous 2/19/2021 08:16 AM	Make safer bike lanes and paths and trails to get there..add more parks and open space!!!
Anonymous 2/19/2021 08:53 AM	Taking care of what we have.
Jim Goers 2/19/2021 08:55 AM	More Pickleball courts, indoor and outdoor.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:00 AM	As mentioned before, with the advent of pickleball popularity, with the growth of adult and children tennis programs in the City, and with the on and off withdrawal of school district courts from the public tennis court pool, tennis courts have reached a state of critical overcrowding. And the City hasn't done itself any favors by failing to build any new tennis courts in over two decades, despite the fact that neighboring communities like Longmont, Arvada, and Thornton, have all added nice new multi-court tennis centers in recent years. (Note: in the 2014 Valmont Park use survey, tennis courts were the second most used field or facility in the Parks and Rec system, behind only open park space.) I think the time is ripe for Boulder to step up and recognize this large portion of its active population by partnering with available community and national partners (such as getting a USTA grant) to create a Boulder Racquet Sports center fiwth multiple lighted courts for the tennis and pickleball communities.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 11:03 AM	Create sustainability in their budget. Create programming that can support the departments budget in hardship, and to be able to support other areas of the department that are a free service to the community.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 12:36 PM	To meet increasing demand, please install more pickleball courts and include some dedicated outdoor courts. Boulder is the only community in the area that has none.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 02:21 PM	Simple community programming. Concert in the park or some such thing that could create revenue to support other en devours.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 03:50 PM	Incorporate less manicured environments in Boulder Parks. Having "wilder" elements right in town would encourage more creative play (as opposed to team sports, etc.) and more interest in the nearby even wilder areas.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:11 PM	Address noise and light pollution at your parks
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:18 PM	Limit dogs
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:18 PM	Work on bringing individuals in the community together in conversations around nature, our city, and recreation.

Anonymous 2/20/2021 05:51 AM	Build a pool in Gunbarrel to serve Boulder's eastern population
Anonymous 2/20/2021 05:58 AM	Resurface public tennis courts and create a dedicated pickleball facility that doesn't take away what we already have. It's also really tragic to have tennis courts that also have he tennis and pickleball lines. It's like those multipurpose sport courts that don't really work for anyone.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 06:34 AM	Maintain tennis courts and add more courts with lights, there just aren't enough courts for league demands and non league play.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 07:00 AM	The tennis courts are overused and under-maintained. Especially with the increased popularity of pickle ball. I would like to see better maintenance of the courts and lights on more of the city courts to allow more people to play. Tennis and pickle ball are sports that people of any age can and do play. At my age (60), and with my health history, most team sports are no longer viable options. By supporting tennis and pickle ball you are helping the seniors in our community remain active.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 08:18 AM	Add more tennis courts and maintain the ones we currently have.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 08:24 AM	?
Anonymous 2/20/2021 09:38 AM	I'd like to see additional pickleball striping at the North Boulder tennis courts as well as pickleball specific courts in that location.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 11:29 AM	Boulder has a large tennis community that has been neglected over the years. During COVID, more people have been able to get out and play on the courts. However, the courts in Boulder are sadly lacking. We need the courts to be maintained more frequently as well as adding more courts for the ever growing tennis and pickle ball community.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 01:15 PM	Tennis facilities
Anonymous 2/20/2021 01:21 PM	Build more tennis courts!!!! Maintain the ones we have. Courts are always full, even the bad ones. The increased interest in Pickleball also means that courts are in high demand.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 02:21 PM	Please build more tennis courts. Especially ones that are indoors or can be covered with a bubble for the cold months. There are so many tennis and pickleball players that many times you drive to several courts on a weekend and are unable to find an open court. Also, please maintain the tennis courts we currently have. There are so many big cracks in the courts where I play most...at North Palo Park, Centennial Middle School and Tom Watson Park. I am a tennis captain on the BTA tennis league and it is very embarrassing

	and annoying when we host league matches and have to play on courts with several cracks. Please also consider keeping a porta potty year round at Centennial. Thanks.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 02:56 PM	Please refer to answer in question #6.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:29 PM	Bring CU into the community, esp those students majoring in urban planning, etc.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:55 PM	Tennis! We have such a huge tennis community, there's not enough courts for all of us and many of the existing ones could use some love! I think it's pretty unanimous amongst the community that we'd love a community indoor facility. Other surrounding cities have done it. It's important that tennis not be exclusively a rich persons sport. It's such a healthy, social activity, loved by many people all over the world, and as long as the courts are public, it's a relatively inexpensive sport once you own a racquet. I can't believe the prices at the tennis clubs. They're laughably obscene. Wait lists, high price deposits, high monthly fee, PLUS court time fee! What? Who affords that? Really really rich people. Which is great. But everyone else would love to keep playing through the winter as well. Parker, Arvada, Denver - are all examples of places that have indoor facilities that you pay to use but not thousands of dollars.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 08:48 PM	Improve & increase court facilities for tennis players and pickle ball players. The growth in tennis has increased pressure on the limited courts in Boulder, and the growth in pickle ball has further squeezed the tennis community in terms of both court availability and league play (since leagues cannot be played on courts with pickle ball lines). A public indoor court facility would be fantastic, but for sure a facility with 5 or more courts for league play would be wonderful!
Anonymous 2/20/2021 10:21 PM	Indoor public tennis courts. We can't afford the exorbitant cost of club tennis memberships we are public court players.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 06:14 AM	build more tennis courts and do a better job of maintaining the courts we have. Public tennis courts allow access for all economic groups. It's a great family sport and it's very social and can accommodate mixed age groups.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 07:23 AM	build pickle ball courts to keep pickle ball players off the tennis courts. This is a new sport that is a sport that old and young can play
mandyjasper 2/21/2021 07:32 AM	build more public tennis courts and do a better job of maintaining the ones that we have. There has been an increased demand for courts due to COVID and pickle ball gaining popularity. Please listen to the demands of the community and what people are into right now we needs maintained courts and we need new courts
Jean Rosmarin	Build additional courts that have lights - could either be tennis or pickleball.

2/21/2021 08:15 AM	Or in the absence of that money, perhaps partner with BVSD to maintain some of their courts and make them accessible to community members.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 09:19 AM	Maintain and improve tennis courts and upgrade them to include pickle ball courts.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 10:18 AM	More and better maintained public tennis courts. This means more tennis opportunities for kids and adults on public courts don’t discriminate by age, gender, ethnicity or financial status. Equity and youth engagement are important to this community, and having more courts to play on contributes to both. WIND SCREENS and snow removal could keep tennis courts open on many more days each year, regardless of the weather.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 10:52 AM	Collaborate with public health in determining metrics for success? Maybe this is already taking place...there's so much the department does that I probably don't even know about!
Anonymous 2/21/2021 11:57 AM	There is a shortage of well maintained tennis courts in Boulder & long waits to get on a court. I have not seen any pickle ball courts in Boulder and I have been going to APEX in Arvada where their courts are abundant and FULL OF PICKLEBALL players. With covid tennis & pickleball are the perfect outdoor sports & would like to see Boulder build more courts.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 12:18 PM	Develop a pickleball facility and more tennis courts. The meadows is limited in their membership and can not open their facilities to more people and RMTC is not allowed to modernize their facility and pool. Their are not enough pools to support the size of our town and Boulder is very hot in the summer.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 01:02 PM	Build a new tennis center that includes separate pickle ball courts and indoor courts that are public and affordable for all especially kids and families. Tennis is perceived as a rich country club sport but that is way outdated and harmful to the overall sport and benefits for all generations. Tennis is the most played adult recreational sport in the country and Colorado is the biggest active population of players. Most of these players are playing on public courts as they can't afford private club status. It is also a sport that can be played from 3 years old to 90 so it is a lifetime sport. When you start kids early they generally play it their whole life. What other sport can you think of that has all this?
Anonymous 2/21/2021 01:32 PM	Construct more public tennis courts. Maintain existing courts by fixing all cracks, putting up new nets. Consider indoor tennis courts in the master plan- consider the Apex tennis center as an example.
Anonymous 2/21/2021 01:37 PM	Repair and add tennis facilities. Courts are in bad shape and need repairs. Cracks, old nets and no lights are problems at most courts. There are no indoor options for tennis players in Boulder unless they belong to a club. A public facilitiy like APEX in Arvada would be great for the Boulder community and allow players to play year round.
Anonymous	Indoor tennis facility

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Anonymous 2/22/2021 08:50 AM	build a mega tennis center with at least 10-12 courts. Not pickleball, just tennis!
Anonymous 2/22/2021 09:53 AM	Begin the building of amenities to make Valmont Park a main hub in Boulder for recreation activities!! When looking down from Chautauqua Park, when will we be seeing the glow of lights from softball fields, tennis/platform/pickleball courts, etc. etc?
Anonymous 2/22/2021 11:40 AM	Continue to take good care of what we have.
Elizabethgf 2/22/2021 12:15 PM	Improve Gym/workout areas. Build more tennis courts & maintain current ones.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 12:25 PM	Increase programs for family participation, recreation and fun. For example, family sailing lessons, family camp weeks.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 12:44 PM	Revision Boulder Reservoir to an all-inclusive facility rather than a special-event center. Promote it as family-friendly - no alcohol license.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 02:54 PM	Partnerships that focus on maintaining what we have. Including clear delineations of who is responsible for what/where in the city to find efficiencies.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 03:28 PM	Introduce more predators to the natural systems- badgers in particular. Also more programs for preservation of existing lands.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 05:10 PM	Build two more Platform Tennis Courts at another location in Boulder.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 07:13 PM	Expand facilities, land, etc. to outpace population growth
Anonymous 2/22/2021 07:47 PM	Keep the homeless out of our parks
Anonymous 2/22/2021 08:13 PM	More outdoor activities
Anonymous 2/23/2021 06:02 AM	Maybe marketing. I think we do so many good things but we still lack in the ability to really get the word out about everything and market well. We want to be sure people in Boulder know who we are and all the amazing things we do!
Anonymous	An outdoor squash court at each rec (against building walls). These could

2/23/2021 07:26 AM	also serve as pickle ball courts - which currently consume tennis courts.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:20 AM	consider a 1% real estate transaction tax (1/2 % paid by buyer/1/2% paid by seller) to fund the purchase and maintenance of open space for recreation, agriculture and wildlife
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:28 AM	More Pickleball courts - designated Pickleball courts with permanent pickleball net, lines added to existing tennis courts. Have seen the beautiful Pickleball courts in Vail at Golden Peak where they converted tennis courts to a competition PB space? I heard that Superior is building outdoor PB courts for it's residents.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:32 AM	Expanding paddle tennis options which a lot of pickleballers are now using which takes away from the intended purpose of the courts.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:48 AM	Add more platform courts & pickleball facilities to the area.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 10:16 AM	Put in heaters at the paddle courts.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 01:36 PM	Support camping ban in public areas to keep our parks and facilities safe and accessible to the greater general tax-paying citizens.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 06:00 PM	Build a public indoor tennis facility like Arvada's Apex center. Contrary some perceptions, tennis is not just "a rich person's sport" and many of us cannot afford to join private clubs like RMTC or Meadows to be able to play during the winter.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 08:07 AM	more / upkeep of tennis courts
Anonymous 2/24/2021 08:26 AM	Put more emphasis on resource protection and education for the Boulder Reservoir area by hiring a ranger position to enforce rules and protect the City's drinking water from harmful aquatic nuisance species and land degradation that leads to diminished water quality. I could see this being a partnership with Public Works as I think it is in their best interest to protect the water that Boulder citizens drink and the infrastructure that is in place in the reservoir. However, it is BPR's responsibility to manage the land around the water body and the health of those lands has a direct impact on the quality of the water in the reservoir where people recreate and get their drinking water.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 08:47 AM	From frisbee golf, nordic skiing, mtn biking, recreational shooting, and RC airplane & drone flying, Boulder need to continue and expand places for people to recreate in their favorite activities even ones which are somewhat fringe. Boulder needs to accommodate new activities as they come along.
10is_PB	I'd like to see a new public tennis and pickleball center where players can

2/24/2021 08:49 AM	meet others to compete and enjoy the sports.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 12:09 PM	An indoor 50m pool! Gunbarrel has the space for it!
Anonymous 2/24/2021 12:14 PM	Make Scott Carpenter pool open year around.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 12:17 PM	Outdoor or convertible pool in South Boulder
Anonymous 2/24/2021 12:23 PM	Build a 400m track. Access to existing tracks in Boulder area is too restrictive e.g. Boulder and Fairview High Schools, CU Potts Field, and middle schools during school hours. I would contribute to any public co-funding.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 12:46 PM	Reopen the parking in front of the reservoir.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 01:12 PM	Seems there should be another Recreation Center in the North Central/Northeast part of town?
Anonymous 2/24/2021 01:47 PM	Expand swimming opportunities.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 02:16 PM	Boost capacity for outdoor classes, weather permitting, and increase outdoor water recreation opportunities.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 03:06 PM	Keep the reservoir area a preserve for wildlife especially birds.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 03:18 PM	And aquatics capital investment plan. Support for a year round outdoor pool facility.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 07:00 AM	update ALL facilities...Boulder has grown!
Anonymous 2/25/2021 08:13 AM	Boulder Tennis Facilities are in moderate-condition,, and this palls in comparison to other nearby communities (where courts are not only available, but in vastly better condition). Boulder has a large community of tennis players/enthusiasts (in the thousands!) -- why has this health-generating activity been encouraged in other communities and not Boulder? I'm happy to pay the high taxes here in Boulder, but this is a use for tax monies that would serve many and even make our community more appealing.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 08:52 AM	Begin planning and financing of dedicated, lighted pickleball courts, possibly combined with tennis. The Valmont site looks promising.

Anonymous 2/25/2021 09:00 AM	Build more platform tennis courts to keep up with demand.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 09:16 AM	Maintain the parks we have
Anonymous 2/25/2021 10:20 AM	At this time no one Big idea.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 12:16 PM	Build a multiuse sports facility that can be reconfigured for different activities. Don't build another Pleasant View that is sparsely used and limited to field sports. The field should have lights, concessions, bathrooms, playground, etc. Facility should be tournament ready with proper sizing, spectator seating, access, capacity, etc. Possibly indoor and outdoor (baseball, soccer, football, lacrosse, swimming, basketball, ice hockey (hey - you asked for a big idea!).
Anonymous 2/25/2021 12:35 PM	Increase support of the arts
Anonymous 2/25/2021 01:35 PM	I believe that many the public tennis courts are in dire need of repair or replacement and these have seen an increase in usage due to covid19 as well as the surge in pickleball players. I'd like to see some money allocated to bringing these courts up to date.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 01:37 PM	Not sure if this is considered "big", and I'm not entirely sure this is in the P&R scope, but it'd be nice if there were maps put up along the boulder bike paths.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 01:40 PM	Would like to see elements that directly support North Boulder Little League in the plan. After 6+ years with a little leaguer, I know first hand it is an inclusive organization that welcomes all genders and skill levels with low fees to participate. With the continued rise of ridiculously expensive team sports, little league is for kids to just come out and play and Iris fields has been my son's home away from home for years. I fully support the NBLL board ideas noted below: Greater use of Stazio Fields: NBLL would love to utilize more time at the Stazio baseball complex, especially to add night games under the lights for the older kids. Improve Tom Watson Park: The fields there are poor quality, not well maintained and for every 1 hour my son spent there, I spent 2 hours picking burrs out of my sons clothes or worse yet, nursing a sprained ankle from the uneven outfield. Could you consider concrete walkways, built up spectator stands, improved bathroom and concession areas, new fencing, better drainage and addition of lighting. With increased investment, Tom Watson Park could compare to BPR's complexes like Stazio and Mapleton. Improve North Boulder Park: NBP is spectacular, but needs drainage and leveling improvements, or simply better maintenance of the grass. BPR puts significant funding into maintaining their "complex" facilities (Stazio, Mapleton), but relatively little into their satellite sites (North Boulder Park,

Tom Watson Park). If the status quo of very limited access to the primary complexes continues for NBLL, please improve the upkeep of the satellite fields like NBP. Long term plan for Iris Fields: Please allow this to remain a baseball complex. It creates meaningful experiences for hundreds of families, whether their boys and girls play for fun or become all star state champs. As previously noted, my son grew up on that field and still goes there with buddies to practice throwing and base running. We need places like this for our kids spend their time OFF THEIR PHONES.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 02:27 PM

Find a location for a new baseball field and seek a final to create the space.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 04:41 PM

Take into consider adding a multi-sport complex

Anonymous
2/25/2021 05:09 PM

Because of COVID, I can only think of making our services whole again. While doing that, we could strive for more diversity in the workplace as well as equity in our offerings.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 05:32 PM

Restripe court and put up pickleball nets on court 2 at NBRC. I would have said build more pickleball courts but I think that is in the 5 year plan.

Anonymous
2/25/2021 06:25 PM

Add more pickleball courts and nets to encourage more of your older population to become active.

Mike M
2/25/2021 09:15 PM

Build more tent is courts. The current ones are in use most of the time, showing that there is a growing cross section of the community using tennis for recreation (and competitive play)

Anonymous
2/25/2021 09:30 PM

You all own land at Valmont Park and Area 3 (off of 28th), it would be a real community benefit if this land was developed to expand kids sports, with turf fields to help manage the weather, newer facility for fans and families, and to have the fields be set up with more flexibility in use, so baseball, soccer, lacrosse, rugby, and other sports can be played.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 03:35 AM

Provide more pickle ball courts, shovel them off in the wintertime!

Anonymous
2/26/2021 03:45 AM

Promote a large fundraising and service event where local parents are able to give back to Boulder Parks and Recreation to improve the facilities their children are using for youth sports. With the realization of how important youth sports are to the development of kids, parents are spending an increasing amount of time and money on youth sports. Improving the facilities, and access to the facilities, is something parents will be willing to donate time and money to.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 05:04 AM

Options: 1. Take some of the land owned (near Gateway park for example) and create a world-class sports complex that will be able to be used by kids (not like Stazio) for multiple sports (baseball, lacrosse, football, etc.) 2.

	Massively upgrade places like Iris, and actually take control of its maintenance, allow children to play at Stazio (it's criminal the best fields are reserved for older men),
Anonymous 2/26/2021 06:18 AM	More pickleball courts!
Anonymous 2/26/2021 06:23 AM	Add more paddle courts.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 07:56 AM	Have town wide sports activities open to all with easy transportation options. Including schools and coordinating between school and activities would create more opportunities for participation. Right now it is a full time job to keep a kid involved.
Morgan_Gardner 2/26/2021 08:19 AM	Separate the dog parks down into more areas! Although most of them have "big" and "small" dog areas, either area might have poorly behaved dogs, and it's nice to be able to leave one area and go to another when there are problem dogs around. My dog is right around 30 lbs so he goes in either when we need, but he won't be forever and most dogs should only be in one or the other.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 08:30 AM	Focus on developing pickleball access... I am part of a growing group (not just here in Boulder) that would love to see this sport recognized.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 08:54 AM	Outdoor solar heated pool. Spruce?
Anonymous 2/26/2021 09:43 AM	More bike trans, like adding pump parks to other parts of the city. I love Valmont park and would love to have other areas to go play on my mnt bike.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 10:58 AM	Work with the city to make sure they are safe places, plan for the future with adaptation focused vegetation management.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 11:19 AM	All-girl NBLL baseball teams. Outreach to the community to encourage enough families to build girls teams.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 11:25 AM	Use of Stazio Fields: NBLL would love to utilize more time at the Stazio baseball complex, especially to add night games under the lights for our older kids. Historically, BPR will not allow us to regularly rent those fields (ie, every Saturday night during the spring season) since those fields are set aside for tournaments and adult recreation (softball, kickball, etc). Improve Tom Watson Park: BPR often encourages NBLL to rent the Tom Watson complex instead of other facilities. However, the fields there are poor quality, not well maintained and our families have in the past expressed safety concerns at the facility. Some possible improvements include adding concrete walkways, built up spectator stands, improved bathroom and concession areas, new fencing, better drainage and addition of lighting. With

increased investment, Tom Watson Park could compare to BPR's complexes like Stazio and Mapleton. Improve North Boulder Park: We love the NBP facilities, until it rains. Games and practice at NBP are always the first to be rained out and the last to dry up. We can lose significant practice and game time there with a small storm. This could be mitigated with drainage and leveling improvements, or simply better maintenance of the grass. BPR puts significant funding into maintaining their "complex" facilities (Stazio, Mapleton), but relatively little into their satellite sites (North Boulder Park, Tom Watson Park). If the status quo of very limited access to the complexes continues, NBLL would encourage BPR to improve the upkeep of the satellite fields. Long term plan for Iris Fields: This facility is owned and operated by Boulder County, not Boulder Parks and Recreation. NBLL and Bison Baseball are responsible for most of the maintenance, upkeep and scheduling at the fields (we budget about $15K a year just to replace dirt that blows away!). It seems like Boulder County is constantly re-evaluating the long term plan for that facility. Of course, NBLL would like to see it remain a baseball complex and is happy to continue with upkeep and maintenance of the baseball fields there. Future park development: BPR has access to undeveloped parcels of land that could be developed into field complexes (one near Gateway Fun Park and another south of the Valmont Bike Park). While we aren't aware of any plans to develop that land, NBLL would advocate for multi-sport facilities that would serve the community at-large. For example, while Pleasant View park is a beautiful complex it is often unused and is only suitable for field sports (soccer, lacrosse, football). We believe that Boulder tax payers would be better served by a multi-use facility that could be reconfigured to support a broad youth sports experience.

Janet
2/26/2021 02:48 PM

Perhaps to add more bike/walking paths.

Anonymous
2/26/2021 09:07 PM

Improve the tennis courts at 30th and Colorado - they are unusable and very unattractive

Anonymous
2/26/2021 10:07 PM

More multipurpose tennis courts to allow for basketball, pickleball, etc.

Anonymous
2/27/2021 12:01 AM

World class youth baseball facility

Amy Dodd
2/27/2021 08:15 AM

Build a new tennis facility that would include lights for evening play and restrooms.

Anonymous
2/27/2021 07:20 AM

Pie in the sky idea: Get CU to give up some/all of CU South land to the city and build a new sports facility for baseball/soccer/football/biking. This could become something like Sandstone Ranch in Longmont. Another more do-able idea: Develop a program where user groups can provide maintenance or help fund improvement projects on facilities they use. This could move some

	of the burden from the city to the specific user groups.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 09:19 AM	Keep our rural and open space areas rural, for example the Boulder Reservoir. Severely limit large events that affect traffic and neighborhoods. Develop truly creative solutions for these events that work for the community, neighborhoods, and the environment. Alleviate public/private business partnerships that benefit the business over community.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 09:48 AM	Focus on kids, not social justice.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:01 AM	Partner with park users to make changes and improvements to the parks. The little leagues have asked for permission to improve backstops/fencing and have been regularly turned down. Perhaps a program where citizens can improve their own pars will be helpful.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:30 AM	Add better fields for baseball, basketball and lacrosse.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:45 AM	More tennis courts and pickleball courts. Need for a practice wall especially in North Boulder!
Anonymous 2/28/2021 09:51 AM	A sports complex similar to Louisville Sport Complex or Sandstone Ranch baseball complex in Longmont.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 11:10 AM	More family oriented activities.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 02:10 PM	The reservation system is not very user friendly
Anonymous 2/28/2021 02:47 PM	Create a big wide bike lane with lines on highway 36 north to Lyons.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 03:11 PM	add pickleball courts
Anonymous 2/28/2021 03:32 PM	Think big but listen to the citizens that support the Parks and Recreation Department and who the reason for its existence.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 03:43 PM	Adding skate parks and biking options. More tennis and pickle ball courts
Anonymous 2/28/2021 05:12 PM	Accommodate pickleball players
Anonymous	Pickleball courts in North Boulder Rec!

2/28/2021 05:41 PM

Anonymous
2/28/2021 05:57 PM

Fix the tennis courts, paint or stain the wood on the Paddle courts, improve the bathroom facilities

Anonymous
2/28/2021 08:01 PM

Facilitate opportunities for many additional Boulder citizens to experience the fitness/camaraderie benefits of pickleball.

Optional question (380 response(s), 80 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q27 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about?

Anonymous
2/01/2021 03:20 PM

You are all amazing!

Anonymous
2/02/2021 01:09 PM

Thanks for everything you do for our community!

Anonymous
2/03/2021 09:25 AM

Last spring I walked to the main library branch and there were leaves and trash piled up around the north entrance that hadn't been cleaned up since the previous fall. Not sure if this is a Parks function but it was surprising to me that one of our major destinations for tge community was so unwelcoming and poorly maintained.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 10:55 AM

I appreciate the dedication of P&R staff, especially in tough times like the past year.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 12:16 PM

No

Anonymous
2/03/2021 12:39 PM

Love the Parks - keep up the good work!

Anonymous
2/03/2021 12:45 PM

The homeless camps are scary, dirty, and have made us avoid Boulder creek path! We can't let kids or dogs wade because of needles and feces? Put up porta potties and showers! Pay them to dispose of needles safely...whatever it takes please save our town! I have to remove dog poop from parks so why is it ok to leave human waste and garbage! We pay a lot of property tax to live here and have clean safe parks!

Anonymous
2/03/2021 12:49 PM

Please clean up the downtown creek path area and keep it clean.

Anonymous

nope. Y'all doing really well with everything - keep it up!

2/03/2021 01:30 PM

Anonymous
2/03/2021 01:39 PM

N/A

Anonymous
2/03/2021 03:35 PM

You guys are awesome!

Anonymous
2/03/2021 03:37 PM

Please consider expanding rec center hours. I am a taxpayer, however I do not currently have access to the facilities due to my work schedule.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 03:49 PM

Partner with YWCA or seek their input. They're right in downtown Boulder.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 04:04 PM

Nope! I think that's quite enough! :)

Anonymous
2/03/2021 04:18 PM

Nope.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 04:49 PM

Tennis court sports are getting more popular with the addition of paddle tennis/pickle ball plus existing tennis players. More courts and year-round tennis facilities and more classes!

Anonymous
2/03/2021 04:50 PM

Thank you!

Anonymous
2/03/2021 04:53 PM

I have an entire document that outlines the community benefits of roller derby that I have previously submitted to Allison Rhodes, the Deputy Director of Parks and Rec. I would like to submit it to this forum if possible. I can be reached at chelseapohl@hotmail.com. I was the former president of the The Boulder County Bombers and believe that our community needs to support roller derby much more than it has.

Anonymous
2/03/2021 04:56 PM

The rec team is really rocking it with online programming - thank you!!! I'd be in support of raises for employees :)

Anonymous
2/03/2021 04:57 PM

I appreciate the difficult and thankless work of the Parks staff in working to remove the camps of homeless persons. The city has done such a great job of providing housing options for people who want to be housed. This is a never ending problem that cannot be solved by the city of Boulder, although some have hubris enough to think we can. I thank the city team for their on-going efforts to help people and to keep our parks safe. You are doing a great job!

Anonymous
2/03/2021 05:17 PM

THANK YOU for the improvements to Scott Carpenter!

Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:09 PM	parks and open space are wonderful Boulder amenities - keep thinking about those park users (native birds, fish, invertebrates) unable to speak for themselves. Improve water quality and in-stream flows. Restore native plant communities.
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:17 PM	Please help BVSD take care of the outdoor courts especially at Centennial middle school that have several cracks
Anonymous 2/03/2021 07:43 PM	No...
Anonymous 2/03/2021 08:13 PM	at the NBRC put heating under the platform tennis playing surface so that snow will melt. Apparently this is done in other facilities where snow is an issue. This would allow the courts to be used even when snowing or very cold. Of course you should also find a carbon offset!
Anonymous 2/03/2021 08:35 PM	thank you
Anonymous 2/03/2021 08:53 PM	It has become dangerous and unpleasant to hike in our Parks. Walkways have been overrun by mountain bikes/electric bikes which destroy old and proven hiking trails. Often pedestrians hike in fear, and can no longer use those walkways due to reckless and out of control or just fast bikers!
Anonymous 2/03/2021 09:21 PM	We need safe roller skating facilities
Anonymous 2/04/2021 04:25 AM	No
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:41 AM	In the long term we need another “chataqua” perhaps using the open space north of boulder to create more trails
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:50 AM	Absolutely sick of how certain locals consider places like Wonderland Lake a PRIVATE neighborhood property and do anything possible to prevent use by those who can't afford to live there. Absolutely disgusted by those who place prairie dogs above people. And please - MORE DOG FREE TRAILS. I have had too many bad interactions where dogs aggressively came up to myself and family.
Anonymous 2/04/2021 05:56 AM	I do wish the trash can was put back in at Bear Creek Park!
Anonymous 2/04/2021 06:35 AM	Keep our red centers up to date in design and facilities.
Anonymous	Thanks for all your work on this! Master planning and visioning is so

2/04/2021 08:23 AM

important, especially in these times! Keep looking forward, Boulder!

Anonymous
2/04/2021 08:36 AM

The current system for PD to respond to Ebine G Fine or the rez isnt working.

mtnman47
2/04/2021 08:40 AM

I couldn't get the Map to work. I could see a few other pins so some people must be able to get it to work, but on a Mac in either Safari or Chrome I could not drop a pin. I use Google maps often and know how to drop pins. Something is amiss in your implementation.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 09:42 AM

Can’t wait to visit all the parks!

Anonymous
2/04/2021 09:51 AM

Please maintain the current hiking trail system. Many trails are in disrepair. Take advantage of volunteer labor. Ignore the lawyers. There are ways to deal with liability.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 10:23 AM

Charge more for parking at trailheads for out of county residents. Basically, end the $25 annual pass, charge $5/vehicle for out of county each time. You could let low income people apply for free passes. I go to trailheads and can’t park because they are full. This might provide an incentive to carpool. Do it. Stop talking and make some hard be effective changes. Changing parking fees, reducing the backlog of trail maintenance, and requiring dogs to be leashed would go a long way toward improving our open space. But, I have little hope you will do anything but talk. I have lived in Boulder most of the last 37 years, and have seen the open space go downhill every year. More money toward maintenance, preservation and usage education, and rule enforcement would go a long way too.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 10:37 AM

great job.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 11:43 AM

I feel very unsafe along Boulder Creek by the Library--there is evidence of syringes, human waste, and other garbage, and I have been followed before in the middle of the day when I was with my young kids. The Creek Path is one of the best features of Boulder. Please clean it up.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 11:50 AM

Keep up the good work.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 12:21 PM

Nope

Anonymous
2/04/2021 02:37 PM

Something needs to be done about the bus service. There should be a bus that goes to every single rec center.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 02:44 PM

One last “please consider us pickleball players” comment

Anonymous
2/04/2021 03:33 PM

All of us have a choice, every day of our lives, to act with compassion and open minds, or to take paths of selfishness, and fear. I don't know how many people will read this submission. But I hope that whoever does will take some of my words to heart and use the institutional power you possess to stand against injustice.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 04:00 PM

Thank you for your work and dedication!

Anonymous
2/04/2021 05:26 PM

I've belonged to the Rec center in the past. It makes more sense to go with 24 hour fitness, a place like Chuze Fitness, etc. You can work out any time for $20-$25/ month. It would keep the money in our community instead of chains. It would allow students and people who weren't wealthy to use the facilities as well.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 06:57 PM

We need more parks on the outskirts of town. Most are in the populated areas. Out East we don't have much of anything. We have an overcrowded bike park that overflows daily. Not enough parking at the Valmont bike park. The trails need work as well. Thanks

Anonymous
2/04/2021 07:08 PM

Roller skating is the fastest growing sport, with roller derby, jam skating, skate fitness, and park skating as well as rink skating being universally and diversely popular

Anonymous
2/04/2021 07:12 PM

I do wish Boulder Masters had a dedicated facility rather than the rec center pools. I recognize the difficulties associated with that, but between them and high-school teams, and sometimes other organized groups, it can be hard to fit in a swim without feeling like you're crawling over peoples' backs in the lane.

Anonymous
2/04/2021 08:35 PM

My area of town (south boulder west of Broadway) feels safe so far but it is mind boggling the amount of stolen cars, vehicles, sheds broken into, etc that I see on Nextdoor. This should not be a town where people avoid bc of crime,

Anonymous
2/04/2021 10:26 PM

I want to re-emphasize the political and ideological bias you're showing in your so-called priorities we get to pick from. Do I want to support youth activities? Yes, but to "close the educational achievement gap," No! You shouldn't be forcing me to agree with your point of view that there even is a gap, or that the community master plan can address said gap, or that we could ever agree on how to define or describe the gap. In another, I have to acknowledge that there are "systemic and historic iniquities" in order to be in favor of safe, inclusive, and welcoming parks. Why are you phrasing it that way? Why can't we just be in favor of safe, inclusive, and welcoming parks without you forcing me to agree with that other crap? Again in another, you say there are "social and cultural iniquities," without defining such iniquities. This is a terrible way to operate. It's psychological manipulation, and it's sick.

Anonymous
2/05/2021 02:10 PM

Please do not buy any more properties without maintaining and adding public health features to the ones you already have. Budget for trash collection. Work with CDOT and the county to prevent people from parking along 119 in

	the summer time near Canon Park Rd. Some will be killed there.
Anonymous 2/05/2021 04:49 PM	Overall, Parks and Rec does a fabulous job, and I am grateful for everything you do!
Anonymous 2/06/2021 10:57 AM	Again, the problem with Thunderbird Lake, noted above
Anonymous 2/06/2021 11:49 AM	the City golf course (Flatirons GC) is terrific and I support the increased green fees and annual pass costs. Nice people running the place, too the maintenance staff at EBRC is terrific, although the pandemic has curtailed their efforts the past year. I know this is repetitive, but the City should really design ways to prioritize City residents reservation and use of the facilities and amenities. It is a shame that someone from Westminster or Longmont can use silver sneakers status to reserve an EBRC tennis court or swim lane on same footing as a Boulder City resident many thanks!
Anonymous 2/06/2021 02:11 PM	Not a fan of the evening expansion hours and alcohol licensing at the Res. Gonna come back and bite ya.
Anonymous 2/07/2021 10:53 AM	In terms of prioritizing existing facilities, it would be extremely useful to add heaters to the two platform tennis courts at NBRC as they are meant to work with heaters. Otherwise, there is no point of building them with a metal structure. As is, the courts are useless half of the time in winter (platform tennis is specifically a winter sport) because of ice and/or snow. We manually try to clean for hours but they are still not playable most of the time or a safety hazard.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 09:25 AM	A supervised 3 day per week walking program for seniors and disabled people would be so beneficial and easy to initiate at all three of the rec. centers. Would be best to separate groups by walking speeds and distance and provide for indoor walking in the gym if conditions are slick, windy, too hot or too smoky. Followed by a gentle group stretching program and an opportunity for a coffee chat. This would build fitness, community and allow access for everyone. What a concept -- and cheap too. I've mentioned this numerous times to recreation staff. No takers.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 10:01 AM	Due to a very low budget - currently not staffed to take care of what we have - really need to review the budget on keeping staff from burn-out.
Anonymous 2/08/2021 02:54 PM	no
Anonymous 2/08/2021 04:13 PM	You're doing a great job with the classes that you offer. I've taken many of them over the years from yoga to pottery to cooking and of course exercise. I've really benefited from all of them. Keep up the good work!!
Anonymous 2/08/2021 07:44 PM	Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the U.S. and one that maintains health and builds tremendous community among players. This ties directly

into the city's goals of Building Community Relationships and Community Health and Wellness. Pickleball serves all age groups but is especially popular among older adults, another important target group for the city.

Anonymous
2/08/2021 08:13 PM

I recommend soliciting private donations for major capital projects like a 400m track.

Anonymous
2/08/2021 11:05 PM

SBRC is perennial neglected at the expense of NBRC. Why?

Anonymous
2/09/2021 08:07 AM

Thanks for continuing to do great work.

Anonymous
2/09/2021 10:25 AM

Community Connectors have told us that they do not feel safe in our parks because they fear that the police will call them because they appear to be "gathering" during COVID. Our parks and not serving our communities of color right now.

shaquettay
2/09/2021 11:17 AM

I feel it is inappropriate for us citizens to be commenting on whether you should prioritize financial stability, organizational efficiency, etc., we know and love our parks but it is not our jobs to balance your budget or make broad strategic decisions for you. Asking those types of questions is condescending to the staff who ARE experts in the field, and condescending to residents who obviously are not going to move the needle but taking their time out nonetheless. Ask us questions in which we can genuinely be helpful.

Anonymous
2/09/2021 12:24 PM

Take a HARD look at contracting and procurement practices. If taxpayer dollars are going to for-profit entities that are owned by privileged (white, heterosexual, etc.) people, those funds are simply upholding white supremacy and inequity. Instead, fund nonprofits, who exist to serve the public, and minority-owned for-profit businesses that build equity in marginalized communities.

Anonymous
2/09/2021 01:06 PM

The fitness classes offered at the 3 recreation centers has not been re-created since the pandemic. Kate Houlick needs to get on this because they are canceling classes. Virtual is not what people need or want. The rebranding of the Age-Well Center was a terrible idea. It is a senior center (although I know this is part of Human Services) and it needs to re-open at the East Rec Center. Why did they sign a 2 year contract with a private child care provider?

Anonymous
2/09/2021 02:00 PM

Keep up the current standards to support the Senior Community.

Anonymous
2/09/2021 02:42 PM

I have heard that the City does not want to lease the maintenance building just south of the Museum of Contemporary art for its proposed expansion. If housing lawn mowers is more important than expanding a cultural institution, somebody has their head screwed on backwards.

Anonymous 2/09/2021 02:55 PM	I love living here for one big reason that so much is available to me via Park and Rec. Thank you...
Anonymous 2/09/2021 03:18 PM	Please build permanent pickleball courts
Anonymous 2/09/2021 03:34 PM	n/a
Anonymous 2/09/2021 04:47 PM	The Expand program with Sherri brown, Cory laser, Lori Goldman Jen and Chelsea is an exceptional inclusive program that should be a model for years to come.
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:04 PM	More pickle ball courts
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:27 PM	Keep up the great work!!
Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:31 PM	More pickleball courts
Anonymous 2/09/2021 08:38 PM	Boulder really needs Pickleball courts - this sport is space effective, beloved by many and accessible to the poorest of the poor - we have to travel out of city to find outdoor dedicated Pickleball Courts or areas. Boulder lags way behind Superior, Broomfield, Earie, etc etc This sport is good for all ages = 9 and up.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 06:16 AM	I breaks my heart every time I walk past the solar thermal collectors at South Rec Center: About half of them are simply turned off due to lack of maintenance!
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:20 AM	plan for a indoor olympic pool in the new rec center
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:31 AM	Currently the reservation system accommodates people who reserve NBRC tennis court 1 and get both PB courts, leaving nothing for other players. Please keep some courts no reservation. You can add a time limit to play or use a sign-up board for when courts get full. Also would be great to have player networks so players could find other players
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:39 AM	Love the pottery Lab. Love BMOCA.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 09:42 AM	Homelessness is a serious problem.
Anonymous	I love your parks!

2/10/2021 09:45 AM

Anonymous
2/10/2021 09:48 AM

Please preserve the Pottery Lab! Such an important part of our family's life!

Anonymous
2/10/2021 09:53 AM

I think adding a few more trash cans along the open space trails would be beneficial.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 09:55 AM

No - thanks for doing what you do!

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:04 AM

Please protect the Pottery Lab. It's a gem.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:10 AM

Thanks for all of the hard work you do. We are blessed and fortunate to enjoy the fruit of your toil! Especially during these times.

Anonymous
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Anonymous
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The Expand program is one of a kind in the general area. Louisville, Longmont, Lafayette and Westminister do not offer programs like this for the disabled. Since the percentage of disabled are growing, there are more people enrolling in these valuable services. This is a program I would greatly like to see well staffed and able to offer this community stimulating options, like swim classes and basketball programs. I'd love to see it grow as this group ages to offer social programs like "Walk and Coffee groups" and "Friday Nights Out."

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:39 AM

I grew up in boulder and have never moved away. This place is very special, and a lot of that is because Boulder Parks and Rec is doing an amazing job at helping preserve the ecosystems here, give life to our community, and provide amazing support to everyone in Boulder! I cannot express my ongoing gratitude to everyone at Boulder Parks and Rec, you guys are awesome!

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:42 AM

keep studio arts Boulder

Anonymous
2/10/2021 10:47 AM

Regarding the pocket park on the north side of The Dairy Center where there was a murder in 2020. I think it would be a good idea if the city would make that very clearly a park with a sign, enforced hours, night lighting and trash/recycling/compost receptacles OR if the Parks and Rec board does not have the bandwidth to deal with it, then instead deed that land to The Dairy Center for their oversight with outdoor programming/theater making it private property and inaccessible to the homeless population that sleeps, screams, shoots up, shits and pisses there. If what went on there happened in North

	Boulder Park it would have already been addressed. It is only because it is there not surrounded by rich people's houses that nothing has been done to claim that space appropriately.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:48 AM	Thank you.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:49 AM	Don't charge permit fees from non profits like SAB, who are raising the money to bring services to Boulder, that Boulder doesn't provide it's residences. Currently the permit fees are almost $500,000! Oy!!!
Anonymous 2/10/2021 10:52 AM	Continue the lease with the Boulder Pottery Lab. Their work is AMAZING, and it is so important that we continue to support this amazing work in our community. Their work provides access to art and a creative space to so many folks in our community.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:25 AM	We want to express our support for continuation of the pottery lab.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:41 AM	We so appreciate your support in the past by helping us stay afloat. We don't fit into the typical definition of recreation but we feel that arts are equally important to create a well rounded city.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 11:42 AM	The Pottery Lab is an important resource of Boulder County.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:01 PM	The pottery lab has been a wonderful asset during COVID
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:43 PM	I'd like to say that I hope the Pottery Lab on Aurora at 10th remain open. It is a very special place for community to gather right near Chautauqua and make art together, have classes, be together.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 12:43 PM	Summer camp programs for kids offered through the Parks and Rec Department are great! My family valued camps like "Goats and Gardens", "Kids Kamp East", camps at Boulder Reservoir, and also classes at Pottery Lab offered through Studio Arts Boulder.
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:02 PM	I am so happy I found Studio Arts Boulder in the fall of 2018! I started with a sampler class and now I'm assisting with a class, I'm setting up a studio in my basement to work on pottery at home as well as in the lab. I love the community of potters, we need more space!! Thank you
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:03 PM	Please keep pottery lab
Anonymous 2/10/2021 01:26 PM	The Boulder pottery lab should remain . Could not be a better way to engage our youth. Parent/child classes re a true bonding experience.
Anonymous	I received an email from the Boulder Pottery Lab asking me to comment on

2/10/2021 01:30 PM

this survey. Several years ago I attempted to enroll in a pottery lab class but was shut out due to demand. I tried again multiple times without success. As far as I can tell, the pottery lab operates at considerable public expense for the benefit of a small number of "insiders." I have no idea why this program should continue to receive public subsidy.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 01:43 PM

Save the Pottery Lab on Aurora!!!!!

Anonymous
2/10/2021 01:44 PM

feel that since we are over the hump? on the back-side of the curve of Coivd, its time to open gyms, restaurants, programs, studios up and loosen up social distancing and other restrictions t

Anonymous
2/10/2021 01:58 PM

Quality of life is connected to people's generosity supporting what matters.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 02:20 PM

Use ULab- use your community do it together

Anonymous
2/10/2021 03:37 PM

I'm generally happy with P&R so far! keep up the good work

Anonymous
2/10/2021 03:49 PM

Keep pottery lab part of Parks and rec!

Anonymous
2/10/2021 04:09 PM

I love Boulder and think our parks and recreation department is one of the things that makes this city great! Keep doing great work!

Anonymous
2/10/2021 04:32 PM

I love that I am not only hear, but LISTENED to!

Anonymous
2/10/2021 05:00 PM

I wish education hobby archeologist could learn more about our local prehistoric and ancient elements. When I share the story of the Clovis site off 6th and the DNA from the North American Camel, people are blown away. I know there are many other cool stories to share and I'd like to know more about them --- don't need locations as we respect the issues these raise.

Anonymous
2/10/2021 05:00 PM

I love the Pottery Lab!

Anonymous
2/10/2021 05:27 PM

Be open to new ways, creative way for fundraising!

Anonymous
2/10/2021 06:56 PM

Just how much I love Boulder’s open spaces. I feel my most alive while running and scrambling around Chautauqua and am so appreciative for the access. It truly is something I live to enjoy

Anonymous

We have, as a community, allowed our public places to be trashed for far too

2/10/2021 11:37 PM	ling and some are already unusable. We must not allow camping on public property and we must return our public places to a safe and clean state so that we can enjoy them.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 02:19 AM	Pottery lab is so important! It SAVED my mental health during the pandemic, is an amazing community resource and brings people together (families, couples, creaters).
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:19 AM	Studio Arts Boulder has outreach projects that benefit the elderly at independent living facilities, grade school children and people with disabilities. As a community Boulder should show it's compassion with actions and not just words.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:16 AM	I support the Pottery Lab as a valuable community resource. I hope it becomes part of the plan
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:34 AM	I wish There were designated hunting areas like other cities and counties have
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:36 AM	protect, protect, and protect. The land does not need to be saved just for human access, but for the benefit of the land.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 07:50 AM	This questionaire is way too long
Anonymous 2/11/2021 08:14 AM	I am a senior, but don't have silver sneakers. Any relief in fees for us?
Anonymous 2/11/2021 08:23 AM	Thank you for asking!
Anonymous 2/11/2021 10:16 AM	I would really appreciate more pickleball courts. I live in Lafayette and have to drive at least 20 minutes to get to a court. Pickleball is growing in popularity (faster than tennis) and I would really like to see more courts being built and more classes, opportunities for kids and adults.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 11:02 AM	It'd be great for the staff to occasionally tour private clubs to see what innovations and services are offered
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:09 PM	We really love our city services, especially pottery lab and the outdoor open spaces. We are so thankful to those who keep it running.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:26 PM	Please continue the EXPAND program and add to it!
Anonymous 2/11/2021 12:41 PM	The small community tennis courts - Martin Park and Knollwood in particular - are wonderful. I use them often. Keep them maintained and do more of them.

Anonymous 2/11/2021 02:28 PM	We need to find AI ways to let us experience what we love about Colorado, while protecting it from being razed by too many people using it.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 03:10 PM	I Appreciate the Everybody In / Everybody Welcome attitude of the staff and users.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:03 PM	The pickle ball courts that were placed on court 5 at east Boulder Community Center did not engage the user group of tennis players that use these courts throughout the year. This was a poor example of collaborative decision making.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 04:20 PM	The Rec Centers and Pools (particularly in winter) should offer more after school kid time [Open Gym, swim, etc]. Very little is offered at SBRC and there are tons of 'adult programs'/scheduled blocks that prevent kids from going and doing something after school. Fairview Swim is always after school which is nice, but what about other kids who aren't on swim team; when and where do they get to swim? There are 3 Elementary schools, 2 middle schools and a high school pretty close to SBRC -- yet there are very few services. Kids just end up walking around the neighborhood and hanging out at King Soopers getting yelled at for biking or skate boarding. More services need to be added in South Boulder that are accessible by bike or walking.
Anonymous 2/11/2021 06:52 PM	we wish there were better youth programs for baseball, basketball, scccer through the city.
Anonymous 2/12/2021 10:37 AM	no
Anonymous 2/12/2021 03:02 PM	It's been tricky to find out about upcoming programs and events. Sometimes some classes have begun, or emails come too close to the start date so that I cannot make changes to my schedule to accommodate the activity.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 07:41 AM	I have had my annual pass for many years (thanks for the teacher discount!) and we refill punch passes for my wife and kids all the time. The rec center is a great resource.
Anonymous 2/13/2021 08:57 AM	Did I mention Valmont Park? Let's make it happen!
Anonymous 2/13/2021 10:05 AM	Thank you for soliciting community input and ideas
Anonymous 2/13/2021 07:54 PM	continue park champs program
Anonymous 2/15/2021 02:12 PM	Thank you for your attention to the input of our community.

Anonymous 2/15/2021 05:05 PM	Fees for SUP too high at Boulder Rez. Should be able to buy day pass.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 10:24 PM	We hope to see camp offerings for youth of all ages.
Anonymous 2/15/2021 10:34 PM	Keep up the amazing programs. We love both dance and gymnastics.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 06:38 AM	The caged courts and 2 Designated pickle ball courts at N. Boulder Recreation Center are constantly booked and are in high demand while the tennis courts often remain unused.
Anonymous 2/16/2021 08:40 AM	Please get serious about water and landscape. Explore the alternatives to sod and ways to landscape in low water environments
Anonymous 2/17/2021 03:18 PM	I would like to attend Board Meetings as I realize I know too little about the Parks and Recreation Department. Thanks
Marja Duggan 2/19/2021 07:12 AM	Too many people do not clean up after their dog.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 08:16 AM	Bike paths and Electric free shuttle service from dense Google ghettos to our precious existing parks and open space.
Jim Goers 2/19/2021 08:55 AM	The Senior Community, would appreciate more Pickleball courts.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 02:21 PM	Please make our parks more enjoyable and safe. They currently feel uninspiring and/or scary.
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:11 PM	Let the Boulder Reservoir stay rural with fewer and smaller athletic events or no events --encourage more picnics, -informal groups of runners, Celebrations such as Day of the Dead, poetry readings at Bridgehouse Cafe, (get rid of restaurant and special events after dark.) You should not require an email address to submit this questionnaire ==there is no reason for it--address maybe, but then you are probably fishing
Anonymous 2/19/2021 04:18 PM	No
Anonymous 2/20/2021 05:58 AM	Boulder Parks are pretty amazing.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 07:00 AM	Overall, parks and rec does a great job. I have found the employees to be very friendly and easy to communicate with.

Anonymous 2/20/2021 08:24 AM	Thanks for what you do.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 09:38 AM	Playing pickleball outdoors has helped me deal with covid-19 isolation challenges.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 01:21 PM	More tennis courts = more opportunity for people of ALL ages and backgrounds.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 02:21 PM	That's it...would love to see some "love" given to all of us tennis players in Boulder. It's a sport that the young and even the very old (I've played with players in their 80s!) can enjoy. Boulder isn't just a rock climbing, cycling, tri-athlete kind of town. We have many tennis players too and we don't want to be overlooked! :-) Thank you!!
Anonymous 2/20/2021 02:56 PM	I "adopted" one area (trail) that has relatively little traffic compared to the more popular trails in field guides and brochures. I'm sure others have done the same and I would like to see documentation of the wealth of natural resources (species, geology, soils) that others have compiled through the years without specifying particular areas. As a retired ecologist, I also look for ways that lithology has affected the vegetation, but find little in the literature that helps me determine this aspect of ecosystem functioning.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:29 PM	I'd like to see the Parks and Rec Dept. budget increased substantially. That there's two or three staffed horticulturalists in a city this big, and that almost all their help is seasonal, indicates a profound lack of understanding as to what makes Boulder unique.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 03:55 PM	Boulder is awesome for its amazing bike paths, accessible hiking trails of all levels, dog parks, human parks, public courts and sports fields, and mostly pretty clean and safe atmosphere (except as already mentioned where the scary homeless people don’t care). Thanks for everything you do!! I love living in boulder!!
Anonymous 2/20/2021 08:48 PM	I love our playgrounds and want them to be safe, but I miss play equipment for older kids - it seems that all the "improvements" over the past several years have been so safety oriented as to make them uninteresting for older kids.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 10:21 PM	Keep p the work of maintaining the tennis courts we do have and revitalize any that are in disrepair.
Anonymous 2/20/2021 10:44 PM	There are 3 elementary schools, 2 middle schools and a high school pretty close to South Boulder rec center and yet there aren’t great programs at SBRC for kids, especially when it comes to the pool access or other water activities. The lake could be cleaned up so there is water access, like paddle boarding or an outdoor splash pad to use in the hot summer months. There could be more after school type activities/open swim time for kids at SBRC.

This area is crawling with kids yet it has the least kid friendly center. Half of the outdoor park space is also taken up by a frisbee golf course which is pretty annoying. You can't use that area for anything else since you might get nailed with a frisbee. Why are we irrigating and maintaining a perfectly good park for just frisbee golf? Seems like there could be more suitable areas/landscapes in boulder for this activity since frisbee golf doesn't require a perfectly good field of grass. That whole park/lawn area seems like such a missed opportunity to be reprogrammed to serve more multifunctional uses. I'm not hating on frisbee golf - just thinking that it could be more successful for everyone if it was moved to a place where the golfers aren't mad that people are walking through their course, and people that are just trying to sled down the hill or go have a picnic under a tree aren't going to get nailed by a frisbee.

Anonymous
2/21/2021 06:14 AM

Keep an outdoor pool open in winter to allow people to swim. Cover the pool and find creative ways to keep energy use down. This would allow the city facilities to be comparable to private gyms and could increase membership for BAM and increase use of rec centers

Anonymous
2/21/2021 07:23 AM

figure out how to maintain the tennis courts correctly so the courts don't crack quickly.

mandyjasper
2/21/2021 07:32 AM

Tennis speaks to 2 of the values of our community: equity and youth engagement. It spans all ages: kiddos learning at a young age and playing with their friends, competitive teens and adults and as players age, they can still find joy in a tennis match with friends, time outside, exercising. Public courts don't discriminate by age, gender, ethnicity or financial status.With public courts, folks without the financial wherewithal to afford a club membership can meet and play. More courts mean more tennis opportunities.

Jean Rosmarin
2/21/2021 08:15 AM

Thank you for all you do! I appreciate living in Boulder and your facilities really made all the difference during the pandemic. I really look forward to getting back to raquetball!

Anonymous
2/21/2021 10:18 AM

The high-level questions (choosing from your goals, on the first page menu) is a style of questionnaire that doesn't really allow people to give you much information. Can you tap into the professional expertise in our community to improve the style of questions on BeHeard Boulder so that we can be heard better?

Anonymous
2/21/2021 10:52 AM

Keep up the good work with keeping dogs out of protected areas.

Anonymous
2/21/2021 12:18 PM

Allow the existing clubs to grow and develop and invest in our own tennis clubs and swimming pools

Anonymous
2/21/2021 01:02 PM

There has not been a new public tennis court built in over 20 years in Boulder. The city and players have increased exponentially in that time.

	Some how tennis got lumped as a stagnate and therefore under funded sport since then. The current courts are in horrendous and a dangerous state and the laughing stock of the state from poorer and less affluent areas like Longmont, Arvada, etc. The time is now to change this situation and make Boulder the best tennis city in Colorado!
Anonymous 2/21/2021 02:29 PM	Please repair tennis courts and build new courts with no pickle ball lines so they work for league!
Anonymous 2/22/2021 09:53 AM	I come from the rackets/paddle niche. So I would like discuss the possibilities of adding MUCH NEEDED platform tennis & pickle ball courts to address the exploding interest in these YEAR ROUND games. Reservations are moving way beyond the capabilities of the few courts we have in Boulder. Valmont Park is BIG and has sufficient distance from neighborhoods to all for amenities that might loud and require lighting.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 11:40 AM	As a 31 year resident of Boulder thank you for the opportunity to provide some feedback. Really appreciate the job you do.
Elizabethgf 2/22/2021 12:15 PM	You haven't built a new Tennis court in 20 years. Pickle ballers are using tennis courts further limiting access. Tennis is a low cost sport for all income level and ethnicities in the community. Kids love it and it's a safe easy sport to start and play for a lifetime. Please give it the resources it needs - basically just courts & access to them!
Anonymous 2/22/2021 12:25 PM	We are totally opposed to serving alcohol for profit at the parks.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 12:44 PM	More revenues does not necessarily equate to better equity and inclusiveness. More revenues equate to higher income residents participating. Refocus to low-impact, non-intensive activities.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 03:28 PM	I'm aghast at the way the lease and partnership for the new reservoir restaurant was handled. A dishonest partner for the coty and the underhanded way the neighborhood was dealt with.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 05:10 PM	I manage the Boulder Paddle League as a volunteer effort and there are hundreds of players that want to play but there need to be two things in place for continued growth. #1 Organization which we provide, and #2 More Facilities to play this great sport.
Anonymous 2/22/2021 05:35 PM	Please consider adding heat to melt snow and ice from platform tennis courts
Anonymous 2/22/2021 07:13 PM	Keep the platform courts at NBRC in good shape, in fact, please add some additional courts at EBRC or SBRC - thanks!
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:20 AM	Outdoor activities are key in Boulder. Sports that all ages can play like Platform Tennis are important to support. Hoping more Platform Tennis

	Courts are built to accommodate this growing sport. Exercise and community are key to a healthy and happy town. Growing sports, like Platform Tennis, help promote community and are a great win-win solution! Speaking from our direct experience, where we worked with the Parks and Rec dept and the staff at the North Boulder Rec Center to upgrade the lights on the Platform tennis courts, we have noticed that the sport is flourishing since then. People want quality facilities that are consistently maintained. We just hope that there is budgeting being committed for upcoming maintenance that the courts will need (ie. new screens in the next few years). A friend of mine, Brock Borman, has donated a tremendous amount of time to help keep the courts maintained as he has experience installing and maintaining platform courts. There are also a few others including myself who have donated many hours to those courts. However, we should not rely on the individual goodwill of our citizens to keep our public facilities maintained. Build two more Platform Tennis Courts at another location in Boulder. There are more and more players every month that want to play this great sport but we need more facilities. "Build it and they will come"
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:28 AM	Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in America and Boulder could benefit it's residents by providing more access other to PB courts.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 09:48 AM	NO, thanks for this, love Boulder, go Boulder.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 01:36 PM	Parks and Rec's staff and department plans for the restaurant and event activities at the Flatirons Golf Course and the Boulder Reservoir and their irresponsible promotion of alcohol at these locations is abominable and shameful. They should be focusing on taking better care of their existing mandate and spend more time caring for the natural amenities and the facilities under their protection.
Anonymous 2/23/2021 06:00 PM	I am amazed that a town like Boulder is falling so far behind other communities in its support of tennis.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 08:26 AM	The North Shore property and areas around Boulder Reservoir are seeing the highest numbers of visitation that it has ever seen and the trails in that area are really beginning to suffer. As people attempt to create space from passersby trails are widening and vegetation is disappearing. I would suggest taking a look at what can be done to widen existing trails and eliminate trails that have not been designated as official trails to help provide a more intact buffer to the reservoir. This area sees a lot of use and as such should have a designated person/ranger to ensure that this area is not "loved to death."
10is_PB 2/24/2021 08:49 AM	Yes, the maintenance of Boulder tennis courts are very poor. The courts have large cracks, broken netposts and nets, the courts are full of rocks and debris. Rollerbladers and skateboarders damage the tennis courts.
Anonymous	Suggest designating certain pools (those which are less conducive to lap

2/24/2021 12:17 PM	swimming) as "warm" pools and decreasing the water temperature at the other pools
Anonymous 2/24/2021 12:23 PM	I'm an occasional user of the South Boulder Rec Center. Friendly staff, good equipment at a reasonable cost.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 12:46 PM	Please reopen the trails on the north side of the reservoir.
Anonymous 2/24/2021 01:12 PM	We are so grateful to live in proximity to one of the Rec Centers (SBRC), and to be able to use our Silver Sneakers. Activities at SBRC and to a lesser extent, EBRC—in the, weight room, gym/yoga classes, gym for pickle ball, outdoor pickleball courts for drop in play, locker/shower room, sauna) play a big part in the quality of our lives (we've missed most of these during the pandemic)!
Anonymous 2/24/2021 03:18 PM	I think that there needs to be a better mechanism to provide feedback to parks & rec. Some of the covid decisions seemed rash and not consistent. Perhaps there is an opportunity to improve communication & transparency post pandemic...
Anonymous 2/25/2021 08:52 AM	I appreciate all the work the Rec Center staff has done over the past year to be fair and accommodating of everyone during the pandemic, and with a much smaller staff. Thank you!
Anonymous 2/25/2021 09:16 AM	Thank you for the opportunity
Anonymous 2/25/2021 10:20 AM	Improve the court reservation system.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 12:16 PM	Improve Tom Watson park.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 01:35 PM	Overall, I believe that Boulder parks & rec does a great job providing healthy exercise opportunities for our community.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 01:37 PM	We live in North Boulder, very close to Elk Park. Elk Park is one of our favorite spots to visit - It peacefully blends kids play area with outdoor gatherings with active play space. The playground in particular is so cool - I love the way the elements and design of the playground seamlessly interacts with its surroundings. The whole feel of the park seems to embody the Boulder culture. Not sure the history of the park as we just moved here last year, but seeing more parks like that is what I'd vote for :) Thank y'all for your hard work!
Anonymous 2/25/2021 01:40 PM	Future park development: BPR has access to undeveloped parcels of land that could be developed into field complexes (ie one near Gateway Fun Park and another south of the Valmont Bike Park). I would advocate for multi-sport

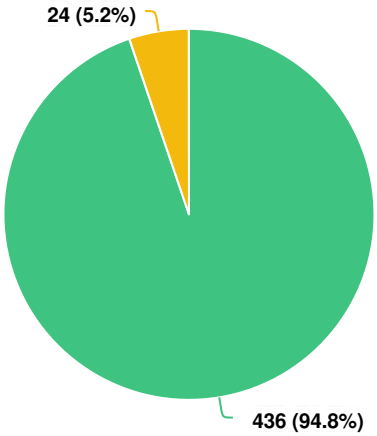
	facilities that would serve the community at-large. For example, while Pleasant View park is a beautiful complex it is often unused and is only suitable for field sports (soccer, lacrosse, football). We believe that Boulder tax payers would be better served by a multi-use facility that could be reconfigured to support a broad youth sports experience.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 02:27 PM	Please tour facilities Thornton, Westminister, or Douglas County. All of these places have secured donate and created great baseball fields for kids.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 04:41 PM	Please consider how to continue supporting all sports equally and not prioritizing adult sports over youth.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 05:09 PM	We need to make sure we offer parks in lower income areas. We also have no time to waste in anything we can contribute to helping with climate change through our parks and recreation maintenance and energy use.
Anonymous 2/25/2021 05:32 PM	There seems to be strong resistance to changing much to accomodate pickleball players. We are asking very little - restripe some tennis courts, add nets (both inexpensive measures). The Rec Center directors keep saying there isn't data to back these requests. All WINTER long there have been many drop in players at SBRC, and our group (8 players) at NBRC has played consistently for 1.5 hours, 4 times/week. Rarely have there been any tennis players playing. Often times the paddleball courts are filled with overflow pickleball players, while the tennis courts are empty. So, where is the resistance coming from? Also, we know pickleball is increasing in popularity, Baby Boomers are a huge demographic, and with the coming spring/summer/fall weather, the present courts will be filled to capacity. WE NEED MORE COURTS! Thank you.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 03:45 AM	Maintaining the current facilities should be a key focus. Residents have turned Aurora 7 into a dog park which has made it difficult to maintain for other uses, such as youth baseball. Enforcing restrictions and committing to maintaining the quality of the facilities should be a priority. Thank you for all you are doing!
Anonymous 2/26/2021 05:04 AM	Please, take a trip to Arvada or Longmont and look at their sports facilities for kids (Longmont has several, Arvada has a beautiful multi-sport complex, indoor and outdoor) and think how much more appealing Boulder would be for families of all incomes with something similar.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 06:18 AM	I would love to see some dedicated pickleball courts at some of our recreational areas (perhaps at Valmont Park?). If we cannot have dedicated courts we need more tennis courts marked and additional nets.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 07:56 AM	We are part of the baseball, soccer, lacrosse and water polo communities as well as active hikers and enjoyers of the outdoors.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 08:30 AM	Especially with the pandemic, focusing on access to outdoor activities should become part of the regular schedule in the fall and winter and spring. For example, a plan to snowblow/shovel courts can keep a large number of

	members exercising and using facilities year round.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 09:19 AM	As baby boomers age, access to activities is so important. Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the country and appeals to all age groups but is especially popular with seniors. Boulder is behind in meeting the needs of the PB community. Take a look at Arvada's 24 dedicated PB court facility with skills and drills and tournaments to engage the community. Superior just built 6 dedicated courts.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 09:43 AM	I love all that you do to keep Boulder unique, beautiful, and active.
Anonymous 2/26/2021 11:19 AM	Scholarships for low income and minority kids to join NBLL
Anonymous 2/26/2021 10:07 PM	Please help enforce the leash laws on all the city baseball fields.
Amy Dodd 2/27/2021 08:15 AM	Tennis & pickleball provide recreation, health, social interaction and fun for children & adults. We need to give them the facilities they need to participate in these activities. Separate courts for pickleball players would be ideal.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 07:20 AM	Encourage more youth-based local sporting at Stazio and Mapleton. These are traditionally reserved for adult softball/kickball leagues during the week and tournaments during the weekends. Local kids don't get to use these facilities
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:01 AM	My personal priority is that we have enough fields for youth baseball. Boulder has very competitive teams and improving our fields will help grow this further. Personal pet peeve (no pun intended) is the dog owners who violate city code by letting their dogs run on the baseball fields.
Anonymous 2/27/2021 10:45 AM	Thanks
Anonymous 2/28/2021 07:05 AM	Tennis facilities upgrade needed ! - "Dedicated" public pickleball courts need to be constructed. Pickle ball is a recent sport phenomenon, which has tried to be "adapted" to tennis courts. However the demand for tennis courts for "tennis" is already stretched, causing conflicts between the pickle ball usage and tennis usage. - Remodel / upgrade the Centennial Middle school tennis courts using similar level of robust construction conducted on the Knollwood and Martin Park tennis courts. Besides the East Boulder Rec tennis courts, this is facility has the highest (and growing) usage, coming from high school practices and matched, league play, Boulder Tennis Association events, Rec. Dept. Lessons, etc. Manhattan School courts are also in need of upgrade. - Build "new" tennis courts. Over the past few years, the usage of the tennis facilities at the Rec Centers are nearing "capacity" with conflicts arising between the Rec Department tennis programs, "shared" pickleball, and the growing popularity of tennis participants needing court usage. At the East

	Rec Center, courts could possible be constructed where the existing volleyball courts reside, thereby having a continuity of courts in proximity to each other, some being used for instruction exclusively. - Build a new tennis / pickleball facility in a different part of town. This idea was considered during the Valmont Park planning process a decade ago? yet wasn't embraced. Now, a decade later, the popularity of tennis has grown.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 09:51 AM	More shade around baseball fields and storm protection for all the dugouts.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 11:10 AM	Please remember our counties plan for keeping the sky dark. Even downlighting creates an incredible amount of excess light.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 02:10 PM	Expand outside recreation like courts
Anonymous 2/28/2021 02:47 PM	Feel fortunate to have our wonderful Rec centers in Boulder.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 03:11 PM	even in the winter we do not have enough courts. All tennis courts should have the lines for Pickleball and a longer term plan to build more courts should be established
Anonymous 2/28/2021 03:32 PM	Pickleball is a fast growing sport that can be played by people of all ages, indoor and out, and throughout the year. It is less physically demanding and less resource demanding than tennis and deserves support at a level at least equal that of tennis.
Anonymous 2/28/2021 05:41 PM	Tennis courts are empty when we play pickleball. People are always waiting for the pickleball courts. North boulder ref needs these!!!
Anonymous 2/28/2021 05:57 PM	I love what Boulder has!

Optional question (235 response(s), 225 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q28 Are you a member of the community, or a staff member for Parks and Recreation?



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- Community member
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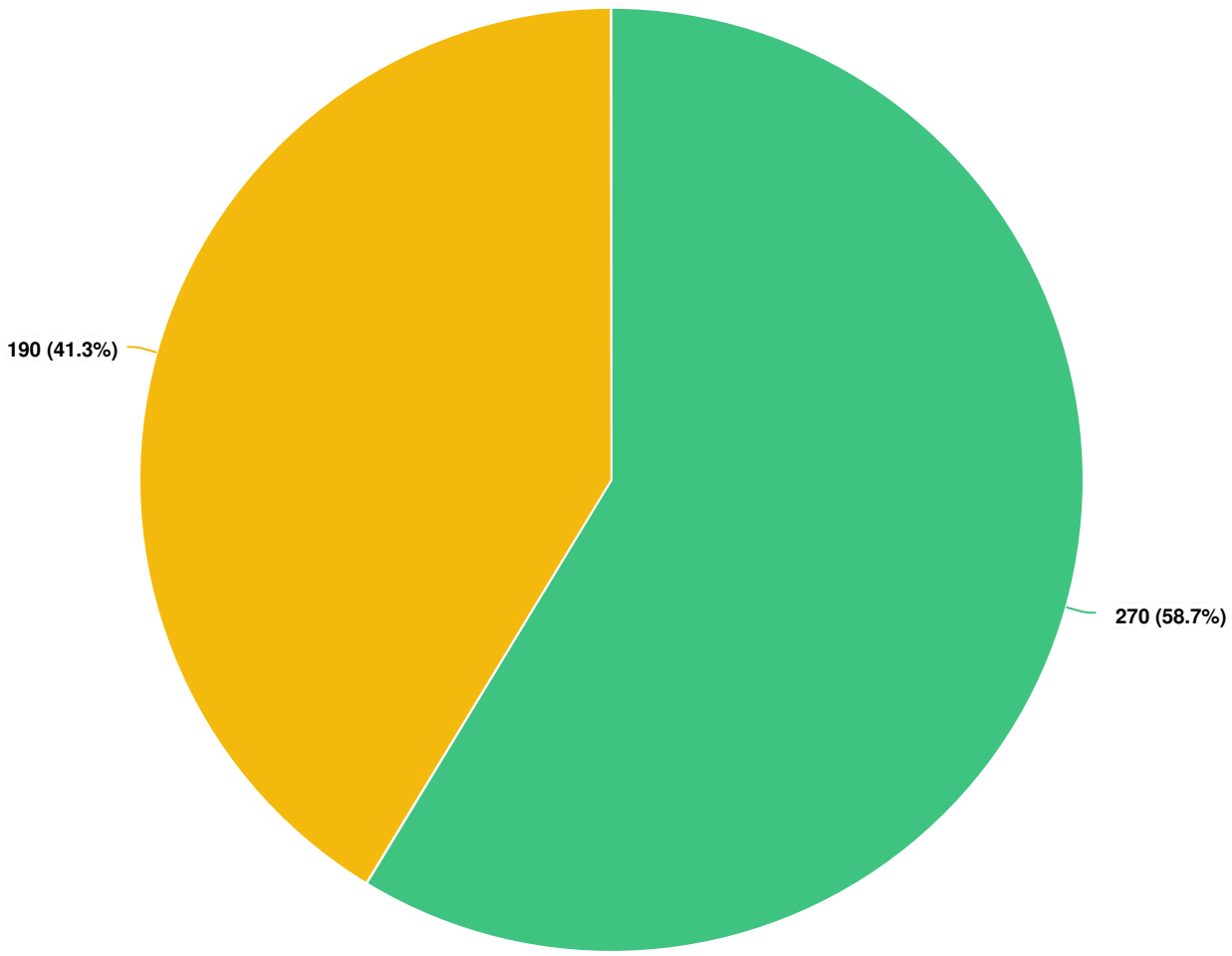
Mandatory Question (460 response(s))
Question type: Email Question

Q31 **Would you like your email address to be added to our list to receive future updates and event notifications for the Master Plan Update? We will limit the number of e-mails to approximately 1-2 per month. (required)**

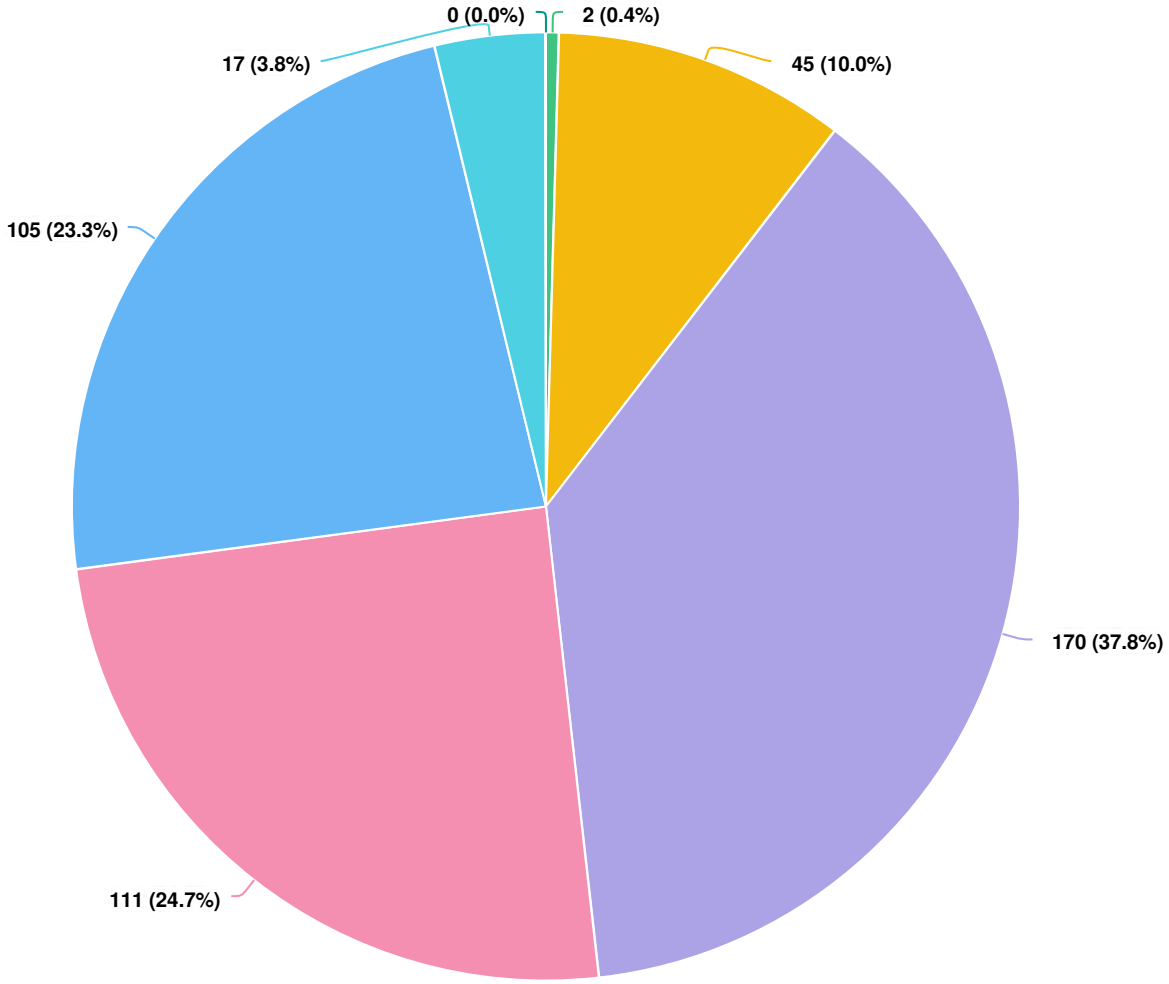


Question options

Yes No

Mandatory Question (460 response(s))
Question type: Radio Button Question

Q32 What is your age range?

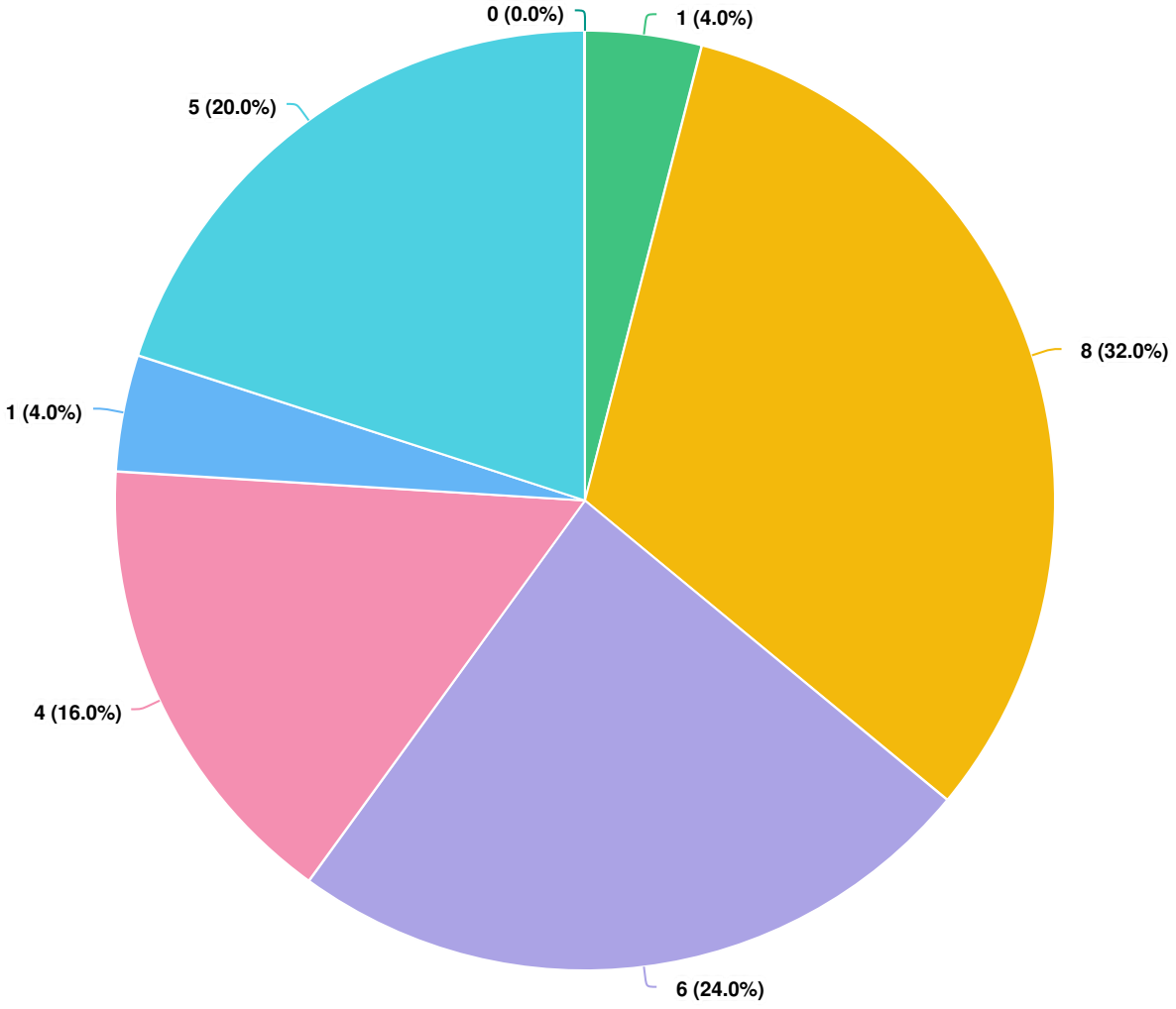


Question options

18 to 24 · 25 to 34 · 35 to 54 · 55 to 64 · 65 and over · I prefer not to say · Under 18

Optional question (450 response(s), 10 skipped)
Question type: Radio Button Question

Q33 ¿En cuál rango de edad se encuentra?

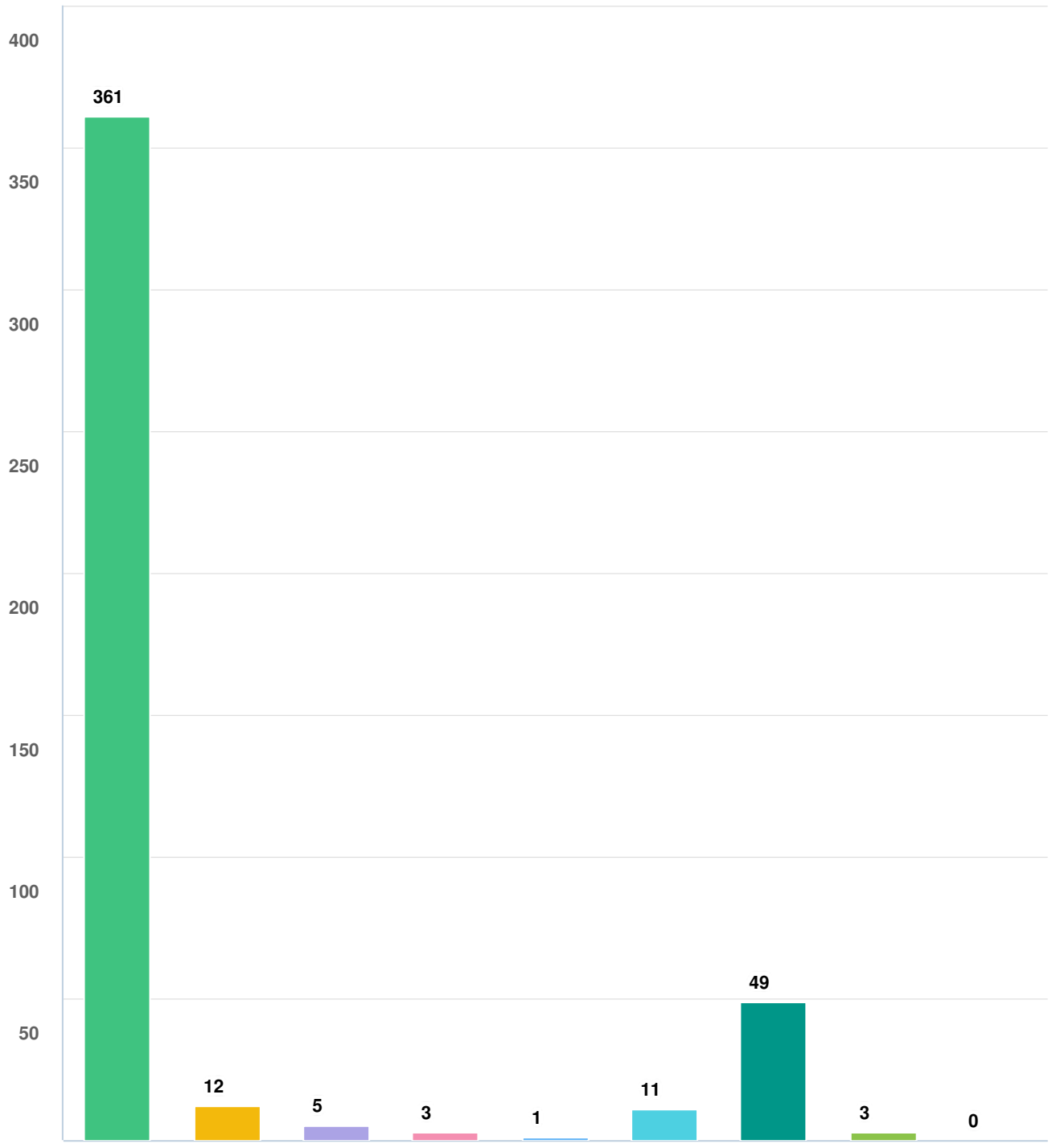


Question options

- 18 a 24 años
- 25 a 34 años
- 35 a 54 años
- 55 a 64 años
- 65 años o más
- Prefiero no decir
- Menor de 18 años

Optional question (25 response(s), 435 skipped)
Question type: Radio Button Question

Q34 Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most?

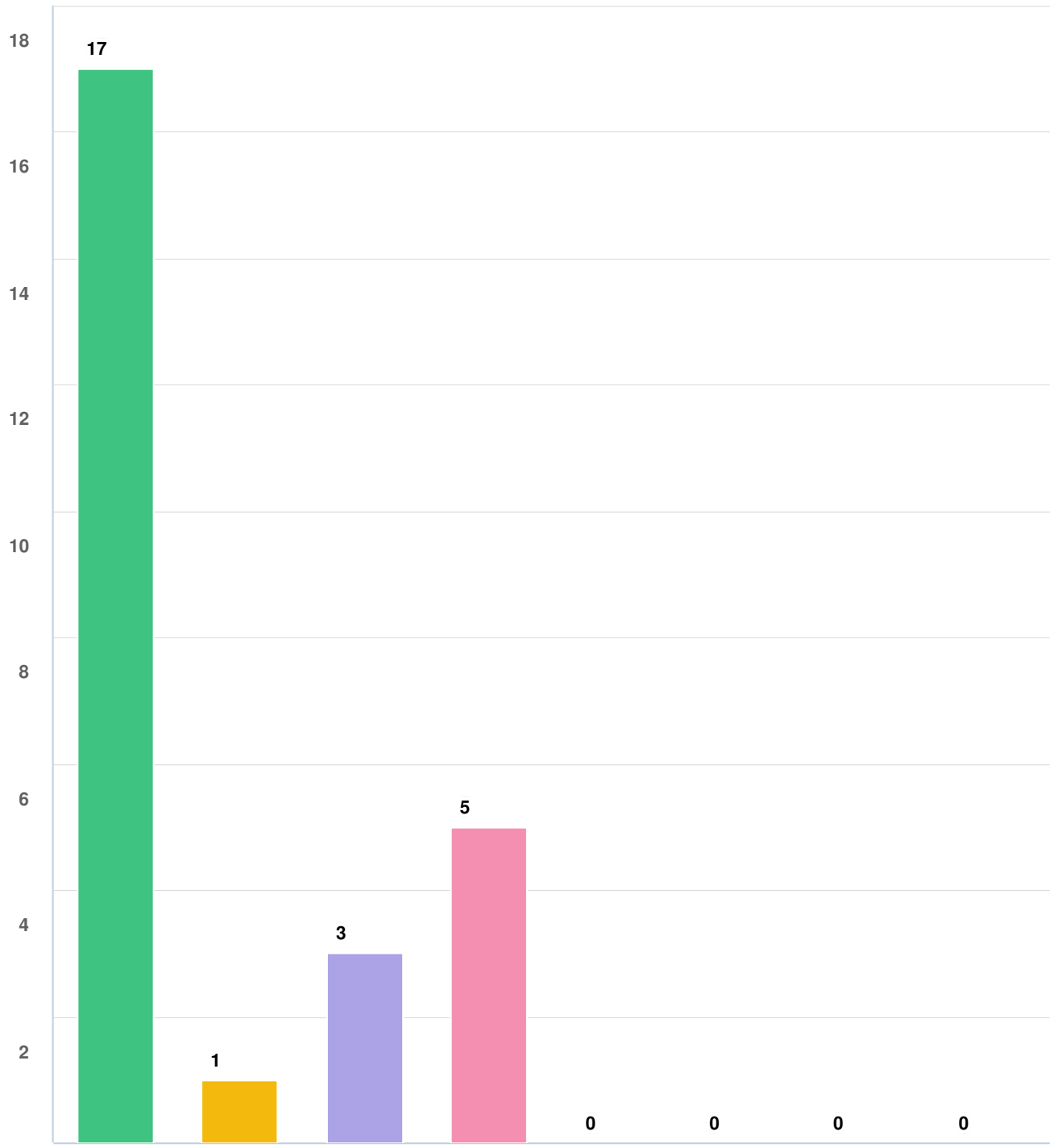


Question options

White · Hispanic or Latino/a · Asian · Black or African-American · American Indian or Alaska Native · Two or more races · I prefer not to say · Other (please specify) · Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

Optional question (434 response(s), 26 skipped)
Question type: Checkbox Question

Q35 ¿Con cuál raza o etnicidad se identifica más?



Question options

Blanco/a · Hispano/a o Latino/a · Dos o más razas · Prefiero no decir · Asiático/a · Negro/a o Africano/a-Americano/a · Indígena Americano o Nativo de Alaska · Nativo/a de Hawái o de otra isla del Pacífico

Optional question (25 response(s), 435 skipped)
Question type: Checkbox Question

Cuestionario 1 (Español)

SURVEY RESPONSE REPORT

31 January 2021 - 01 March 2021

PROJECT NAME:

Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update

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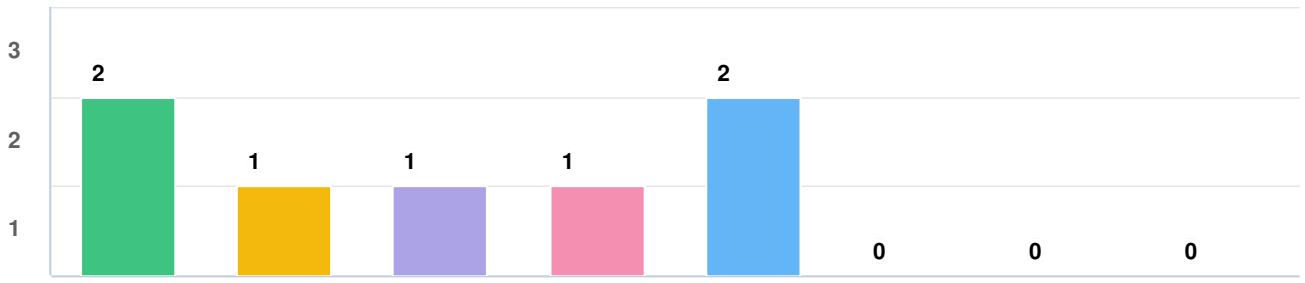
SURVEY QUESTIONS

Q1 Elija los tres primeros que sean importantes para usted.



Question options

- Salud y bienestar de la comunidad: Garantizar la salud y el bienestar públicos a través de parques, instalaciones y programas, a fin de mantener a Boulder como una comunidad saludable y vibrante.
- Sostenibilidad financiera: Equilibrar las múltiples y crecientes demandas dentro de los recursos existentes, reconociendo los límites del financiamiento público y la necesidad de centrarse en los servicios básicos.
- Construyendo relaciones comunitarias: Desarrollar la participación de la comunidad y las actividades culturales a través de programas e iniciativas de divulgación. Promover una comunidad saludable para abordar las inequidades sociales y culturales.

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Optional question (3 response(s), 0 skipped)
Question type: Checkbox Question

Q2 "Salud y bienestar de la comunidad": ¿Por qué es importante?

Anonymous
2/09/2021 05:24 PM

Una comunidad saludable tiene posibilidades para un futuro mejor

Anonymous
2/25/2021 06:59 PM

La mayoria de la comunidad hispana no cuenta con seguro medico de salud. y tamnbieb ellos tienen los trabajos mams pesados y estresantes

Optional question (2 response(s), 1 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q3 "Salud y bienestar de la comunidad": ¿Cuáles anhelos tienes para el futuro?

Anonymous
2/09/2021 05:24 PM

Más parques y zonas abiertas para todos, inclusivos y dinámicos!

Anonymous
2/25/2021 06:59 PM

Seguro medico para todos sin diferenciar razas o color

Optional question (2 response(s), 1 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q4 "Salud y bienestar de la comunidad": ¿Cuáles inquietudes tiene para el futuro?

Anonymous
2/09/2021 05:24 PM

Acceso asequible para todos en la comunidad. Bajo costo para familias de bajos recursos, ancianos y niños!

Anonymous
2/25/2021 06:59 PM

Atencion medica para todos

Optional question (2 response(s), 1 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q8 "Sostenibilidad financiera": ¿Por qué es importante?

Anonymous
2/25/2021 06:59 PM

La mayoria de la gente no pueden sostenera sis familias con un solo trabajo... tienen que tener dos o hasta tres trabajos.

Optional question (1 response(s), 2 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q9 "Sostenibilidad financiera": ¿Cuáles anhelos tienes para el futuro?

Anonymous
2/25/2021 06:59 PM

El ingreso de los trabajadores escenciales no pueden mantener s sus familias

Optional question (1 response(s), 2 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q10 "Sostenibilidad financiera": ¿Cuáles inquietudes tiene para el futuro?

Anonymous
2/25/2021 06:59 PM

Mejores salarios que permitan a las familias una mejor calidad de visa

Optional question (1 response(s), 2 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q11 "Construyendo relaciones comunitarias": ¿Por qué es importante?

Anonymous
2/09/2021 05:24 PM

Crea una comunidad fuerte y con liderazgo

Optional question (1 response(s), 2 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q12 "Construyendo relaciones comunitarias": ¿Cuáles anhelos tienes para el futuro?

Anonymous
2/09/2021 05:24 PM

Ser un ejemplo de una comunidad saludable y pujante para el resto de nuestra región y país

Optional question (1 response(s), 2 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q13 "Construyendo relaciones comunitarias": ¿Cuáles inquietudes tiene para el futuro?

Anonymous
2/09/2021 05:24 PM

Los fondos y dineros destinados para generaciones futuras en nuestra comunidad.

Optional question (1 response(s), 2 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q14 "Participación y actividad de los jóvenes": ¿Por qué es importante?

Anonymous
2/28/2021 12:07 PM

Para desempeñar conexiones y amplificar lo importante que es que sean parte de estas actividades son el empleo

Optional question (1 response(s), 2 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q15 "Participación y actividad de los jóvenes": ¿Cuáles anhelos tienes para el futuro?

Anonymous
2/28/2021 12:07 PM

El futuro es de alertar que tenemos que cuidar de todo nuestro condado y que crear solidaridad y cultura

Optional question (1 response(s), 2 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q16 "Participación y actividad de los jóvenes": ¿Cuáles inquietudes tiene para el futuro?

Anonymous
2/28/2021 12:07 PM

Las inquietudes es de que no conozcan la importancia que es de trabajo en comunidad y sobretodo que ellos se sientan realmente que son parte de estas actividades

Optional question (1 response(s), 2 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q20 "Equidad": ¿Por qué es importante?

Anonymous
2/09/2021 05:24 PM

Nos da las mismas oportunidades a todos por igual!

Anonymous
2/25/2021 06:59 PM

Hay muchas personas que son extremadamente preparadas perso son mal pagadas por su etnicidad

Optional question (2 response(s), 1 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q21 "Equidad": ¿Cuáles anhelos tienes para el futuro?

Anonymous
2/09/2021 05:24 PM

Crear diferentes situaciones de acceso y participación para todos por igual

Anonymous
2/25/2021 06:59 PM

que hombres y mujeres puedan ganar los mismo pr el trabajo que haceb

Optional question (2 response(s), 1 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q22 "Equidad": ¿Cuáles inquietudes tiene para el futuro?

Anonymous
2/09/2021 05:24 PM

Aveces es difícil brindar las mismas oportunidades con tantas variables económicas. Crear un fondo para acceso a la naturaleza y a nuestros parques sería maravilloso para futuras generaciones no importe que pase en el presente!

Anonymous
2/25/2021 06:59 PM

Que a comunidad que no este representada despierte y ueda exiguir sus derechos

Optional question (2 response(s), 1 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q26 ¿Cuál es una de las grandes ideas del departamento de Parques y Recreación que podrían llevarse a cabo en los próximos 1 a 3 años que sería la más beneficiosa?

Anonymous
2/09/2021 05:24 PM

Me gustaría saber donde están esas ideas antes de responder. Donde están las ideas?

Anonymous
2/25/2021 06:59 PM

Me gusta su organizacion y entusiamo

Anonymous
2/28/2021 12:07 PM

Que tuvieran entrenamientos esenciales como pasar un día en los parque

Optional question (3 response(s), 0 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q27 ¿Hay algo más que le gustaría contarnos?

Anonymous
2/09/2021 05:24 PM

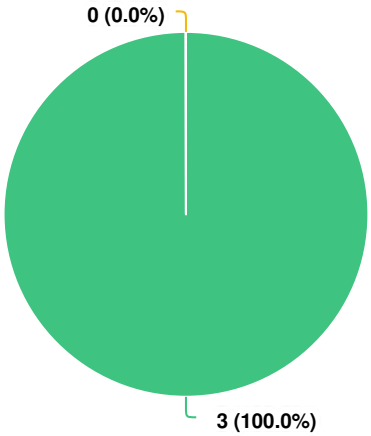
Me gustaría tener acceso y oportunidades por igual a cualquier tipo de actividad o clase. Crear más espacios públicos y parques para gente con discapacidad y poder unirnos como una comunidad homogénea!

Anonymous
2/28/2021 12:07 PM

Que enseñarán a Xolos orar en las comunidades como lugares baldíos donde se acomida mucha basura quitarla y pintar murales de. Mucha fe y esperanza

Optional question (2 response(s), 1 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q28 ¿Es miembro de la comunidad o miembro del personal de Parques y Recreación?



Question options

- Soy miembro de la comunidad
- Soy miembro del personal de Parques y Recreación

Mandatory Question (3 response(s))
Question type: Radio Button Question

Q29 Nombre

Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:24 PM	Angela Urrego
Anonymous 2/25/2021 06:59 PM	luz
Anonymous 2/28/2021 12:07 PM	Lupita cardoza

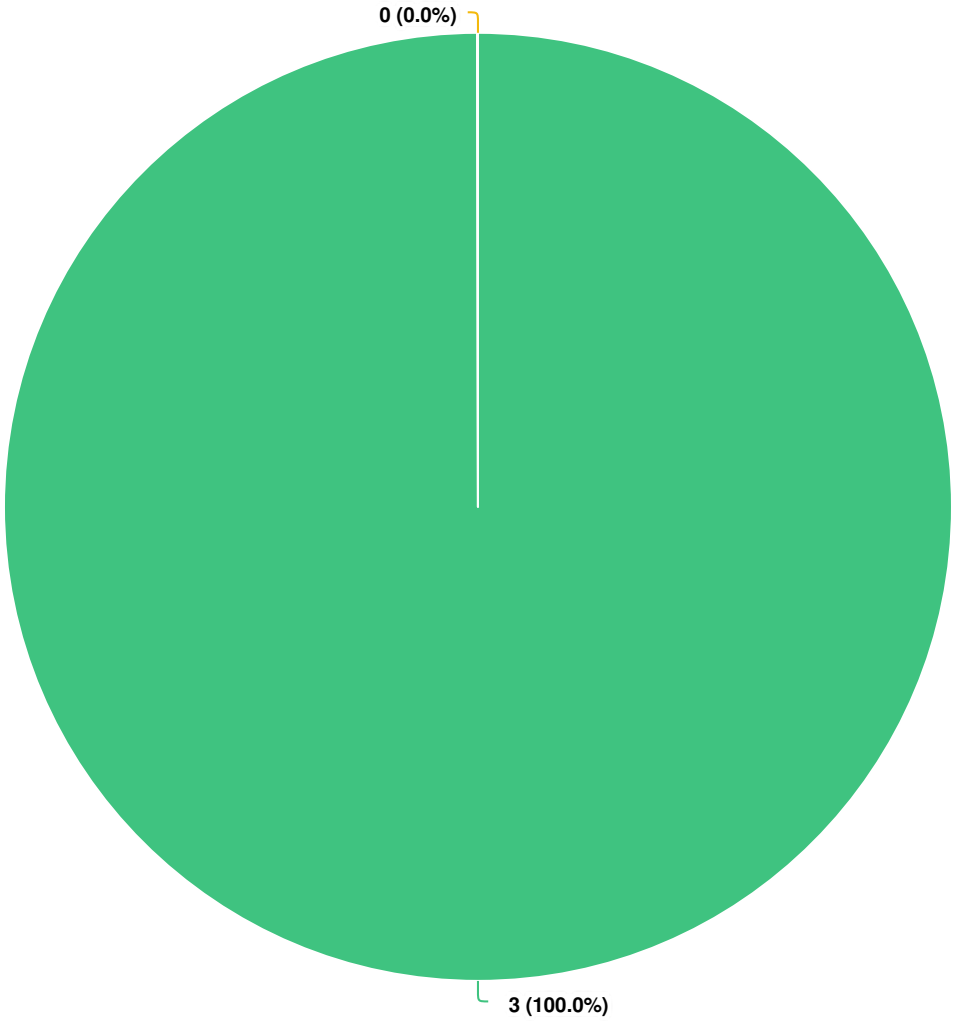
Optional question (3 response(s), 0 skipped)
Question type: Single Line Question

Q30 Dirección de correo electrónico: (obligatorio)

Anonymous 2/09/2021 05:24 PM	angelaurrego75@gmail.com
Anonymous 2/25/2021 06:59 PM	florecitarokera69@msn.com
Anonymous 2/28/2021 12:07 PM	cardozam815@gmail.com

Mandatory Question (3 response(s))
Question type: Email Question

Q31 **¿Le gustaría que agreguemos su dirección a nuestra lista de correo electrónico para recibir actualizaciones y notificaciones futuras de eventos durante la actualización del Plan Maestro de BPR? Limitaremos la cantidad de correos electrónicos a apro...**

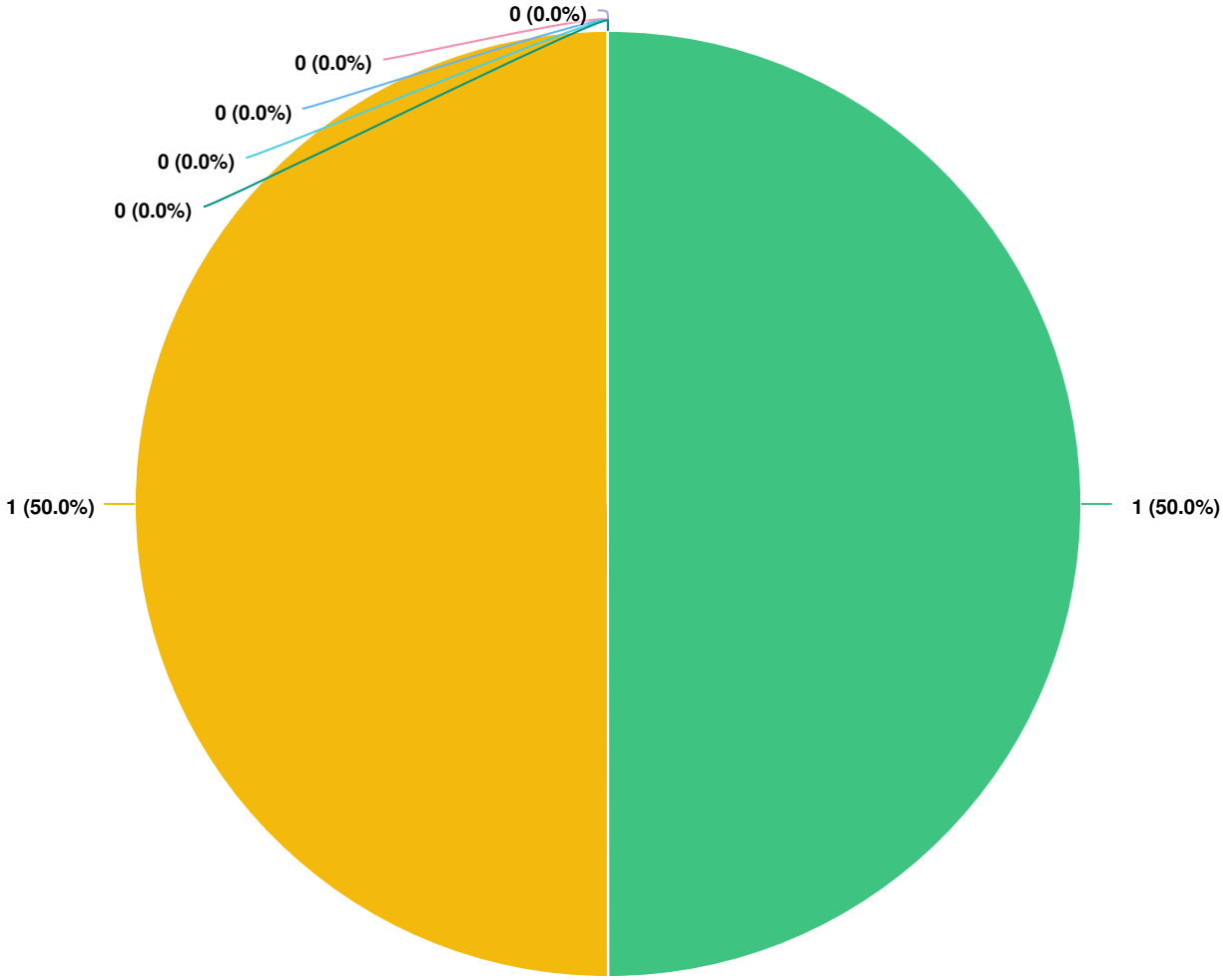


Question options

Si No

Mandatory Question (3 response(s))
Question type: Radio Button Question

Q32 ¿En cuál rango de edad se encuentra?

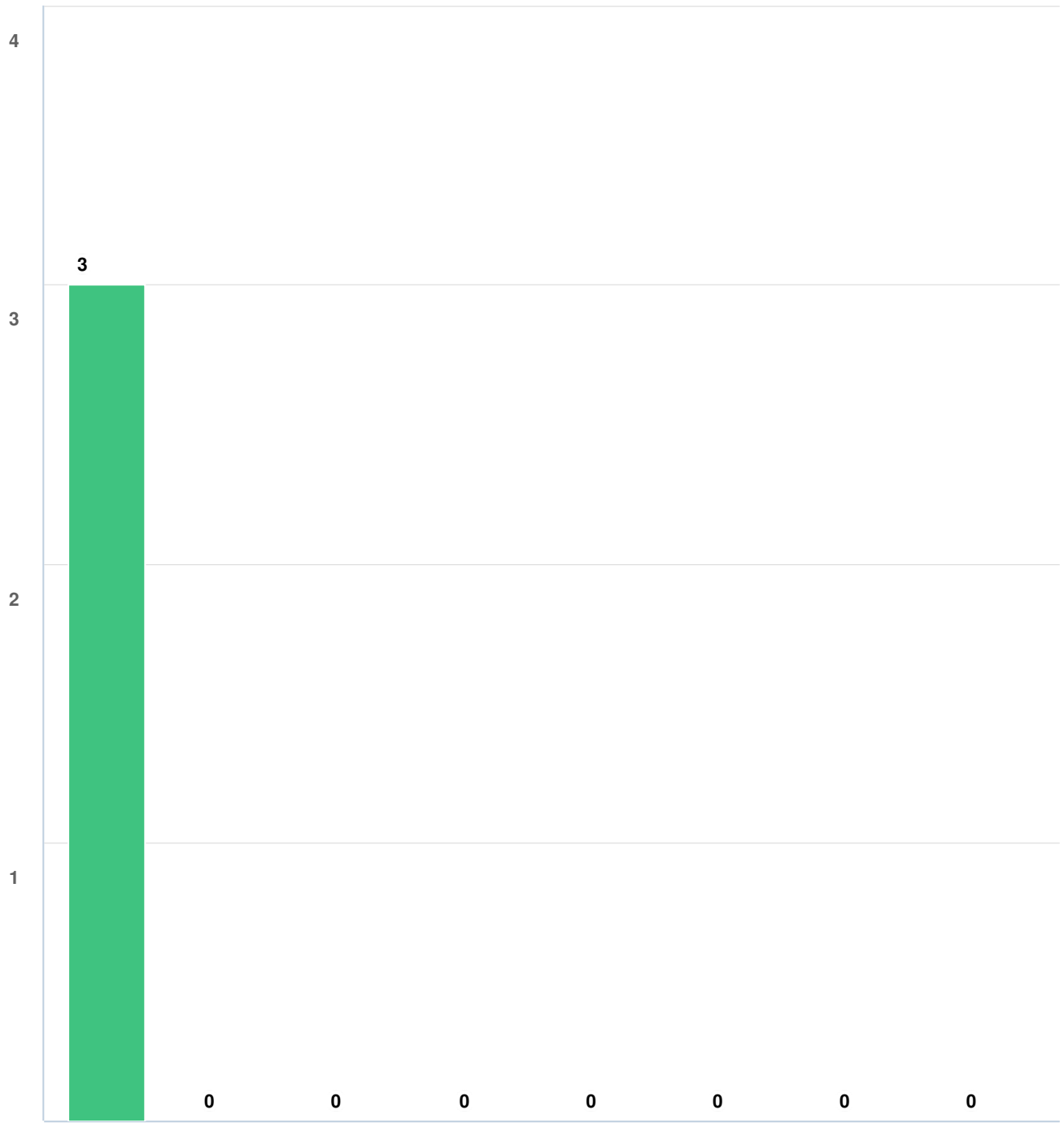


Question options

35 a 54 años · 55 a 64 años · Menor de 18 años · 18 a 24 años · 25 a 34 años · 65 años o más · Prefiero no decir

Optional question (2 response(s), 1 skipped)
Question type: Radio Button Question

Q33 ¿Con cuál raza o etnicidad se identifica más?



Question options

- Hispano/a o Latino/a
- Blanco/a
- Asiático/a
- Negro/a o Africano/a-Americano/a
- Indígena Americano o Nativo de Alaska
- Nativo/a de Hawái o de otra isla del Pacífico
- Dos o más razas
- Prefiero no decir

Optional question (3 response(s), 0 skipped)
Question type: Checkbox Question

From: Taya J Matoy
To: Elsner, Regina
Subject: Parks and rec plan
Date: Thursday, February 4, 2021 12:12:35 PM

External Sender

Dear Ms. Elsner,
I am emailing to put a plug in for roller derby to be included in such plans.

May of us are professionals who enjoy this very pro female, pro glbtq sport. We desperately need a place to practice and have bouts. Roller derby does a lot for the community such as fund raising, work with the vetrans and the foreign legion, awareness of and promotion of healthy inclusion of female oriented sports. We plan on further outreach this year to include education to the public of the wwII female and poc bomb groups that contributed positively to this country.

We would very much like to be of service to our wider community and have a place to practice. We respect diversity and the spaces we use. Please consider building in a space that would only help to bring prestige to your facility. Thanks so much for your kind consideration,

Thank you.

Ultimately, the only power to which man should aspire is that which he exercises over himself. -Elie Weisel

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From: Rhodes, Alison <RhodesA@bouldercolorado.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 10, 2021 8:08 PM
To: mllocy@gmail.com
Cc: Council
Subject: RE: Aurora 7 Baseball Fields

Hi Mark,

Thank you for your note and suggestion. All nine members of City Council have received your note; I'm the Director of Parks and Recreation and sharing this response on behalf of our team.

Providing the right amount of amenities and in the right locations to support our community's health and well-being is part of our role. We last conducted a thorough evaluation of our levels of service as it relates to ballfields and dog parks as part of our 2014 master plan (city-speak for a 5-7 year strategic plan). At that time, our evaluations indicated that while we had higher than average quantities of dog parks for a community our size, we were barely meeting community demand when it comes to how many ballfields we have in our city.

We have just launched a process to update the Parks and Recreation master plan. We'll be asking the community for input throughout the update process. The project will include an updated analysis of the quantity, location, quality, and community needs/desires for various amenities-including dog parks and ballfields. You can learn about the project on this webpage, and I hope you'll click on the "Get Involved" section. From there you can share your email address with us, and ensure you receive updates throughout the project-including notices of opportunities for the community to share input and ideas.

I will also pass along this suggestion to our master plan project team so that it can be considered with other feedback that we receive. If you have any questions or would like to discuss further, please reach out.

Sincerely,

Ali Rhodes
Director
(pronouns: She/Her/Hers) *What's This?*
O: 303-413-7249
rhodesa@bouldercolorado.gov

Boulder Parks & Recreation

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From: Mark Locy <mllocy@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 9, 2021 11:50 AM
To: Council <council@bouldercolorado.gov>
Subject: Aurora 7 Baseball Fields

External Sender

Hi! My name is Mark Locy, I live on 775 35th Street, very close to Aurora 7 park. There are 3 ball fields in that park. I am wondering how to go about changing one of those ball fields into a dog park. I know that there are a lot of people in my neighborhood with dogs that would make great use of that space. Is there a way to get one of those fields turned into a dog park?

--
Best,

Mark Locy
(He, Him, His)

From:	Haley, Jeff
To:	Parker Dodd
Cc:	Gardner, Morgan; Elsner, Regina
Subject:	RE: Boulder Tennis Association questions regarding new tennis construction and ongoing court maintenance
Date:	Tuesday, February 9, 2021 9:22:24 AM
Attachments:	image005.png image006.png image001.png

Good morning Parker,

I wanted to circle back on your more immediate concerns and questions as you outlined in the email below. I'm curious if we could arrange a time to chat over the phone? Do you have any availability on Thursday around 11AM?

Thanks,

Jeff Haley, PLA
Planning and Ecological Services Manager
haleyj@bouldercolorado.gov

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From: Parker Dodd <pkdodd@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, January 27, 2021 9:37 PM
To: Gardner, Morgan <GardnerM@bouldercolorado.gov>; president@bouldertennis.org
Cc: Elsner, Regina <ElsnerR@bouldercolorado.gov>; Rhodes, Alison <RhodesA@bouldercolorado.gov>
Subject: Re: Boulder Tennis Association questions regarding new tennis construction and ongoing court maintenance

Thanks Morgan. Good to hear BTA will be involved in the stakeholder meeting!

But while it's good to have a voice in mid- to long-term tennis planning, BTA also has to be concerned with short-term issues. Tennis league play starts at the end of April, which brings anywhere between 20-40 of our most serious male and female players onto public courts every day. And of course these are not just the same people, BTA alone has over 200 league players on a given year. And this doesn't include those several hundred players we host in league matches from around the Northern Metro area. Indeed, the main impression that Boulder tennis offers to tennis players from the rest of the metro area is via these league matches.

A little background... Hosting a league match, depending on the league, requires either three or five courts at the same facility at the same time (for the larger leagues, a four-court facility can work, but

one match has to be sent away to another location). Obviously, there are very few Boulder facilities with four courts. And since Parks does not allow league play at EBRC and restricts play at NBRC, and since pickleball lines have been painted on two of the SBRC courts (rendering them unusable, as per Colorado Tennis Association regulations, for league play), that leaves only Centennial MS courts and Tom Watson courts as viable venues for league matches. The court surfaces at both these locations are to the point where they are no longer usable for league tennis. It's not that we're being fussy, it's just that the visiting players from other teams, not only from the local private tennis clubs – which can be expected to have good facilities – but also from those other community associations that play on their public courts: the Longmont Tennis Association, the North Jeffco Tennis Association, the Centennial Valley Tennis Association, and the Thornton Tennis Association, to name a few, are all starting to find that Boulder court conditions not up to their the conditions they offer on their home courts.

For several decades, BTA has successfully been providing players who cannot afford to join a private tennis club the structure within which to participate in USTA league tennis, just as the tennis associations of the neighboring cities mentioned above are doing for their citizens. So it is with some sadness that BTA is now looking into booking public courts in other nearby cities as a temporary alternative for league play. This is not only inconvenient, in that it would mean Boulder players "home" courts would now be ten to fifteen miles away from Boulder, but it would also seem to be a black eye to the City in general if *Boulder Tennis Association* players, after decades of league play in the city, couldn't find any suitable public courts to play on in Boulder proper.

So while the Boulder tennis community is definitely looking ahead to great things in the future (and we thank you for your work making it so) we also need to focus on some immediate issues. If you could point us in the right direction to carry on a discussion about court conditions for the upcoming tennis season, we would be more than grateful.

Thanks for all the work that you do!

Parker Dodd
President, BTA Board of Directors
president@bouldertennis.org

From: "Gardner, Morgan" <GardnerM@bouldercolorado.gov>
Date: Thursday, January 21, 2021 at 3:34 PM
To: Parker Dodd <pkdodd@comcast.net>, "president@bouldertennis.org" <president@bouldertennis.org>
Cc: "Elsner, Regina" <ElsnerR@bouldercolorado.gov>, "Rhodes, Alison" <RhodesA@bouldercolorado.gov>

Subject: RE: Boulder Tennis Association questions regarding new tennis construction and ongoing court maintenance

Hi Parker,

I'm on the team that's putting together the Master Plan update. I've got your information down to represent the Boulder Tennis Assn. and you can look forward to an email in the coming weeks about plans for a stakeholder meeting. Thanks so much for reaching out to us!

Morgan

Morgan Gardner
Associate Planner
She/Her/Hers What's This?

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GardnerM@BoulderColorado.gov

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From: Rhodes, Alison <RhodesA@bouldercolorado.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, January 19, 2021 2:43 PM
To: Parker Dodd <pkdodd@comcast.net>
Cc: Beary, Bryan <BearyB@bouldercolorado.gov>; Green, Maddy <GreenM@bouldercolorado.gov>; Haley, Jeff <HaleyJ@bouldercolorado.gov>; Elsner, Regina <ElsnerR@bouldercolorado.gov>
Subject: RE: Boulder Tennis Association questions regarding new tennis construction and ongoing court maintenance

Hi Parker,

Thank you so much for reaching out, and for taking the time to provide an update on what BTA is thinking and planning. I'm very familiar with BTA, as I started my career with the city in our Athletics department 18 years ago. Thank you for all that you do to support recreation in our community.

Your email is pretty timely. We're just kicking off the update to our 2014 Master Plan. Through that process, we will be conducting a thorough Needs Assessment that will include much of the work you outline below: an updated inventory and condition of our facilities synthesized with data on trends and community input on wants/needs as it relates to recreation. The final plan will inform our capital investments and operational strategies for the next 5-7 years, so community input is critical to ensure that we're providing the amenities and services the community desires most highly.

I've copied our Project Manager, Regina Elsner, on this email as she will connect you to the process and how to engage. We're actually organizing our list of stakeholders for targeted outreach in this first quarter, and BTA is on the list so we hope you'll be able to partner with us on this effort.

Regina and/or others on our team will help with your requests for information from here, but I did want to respond and thank you for reaching out.

Sincerely,

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From: Parker Dodd <pkdodd@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, January 17, 2021 9:26 PM
To: Rhodes, Alison <RhodesA@bouldercolorado.gov>; Beary, Bryan <BearyB@bouldercolorado.gov>
Cc: Green, Maddy <GreenM@bouldercolorado.gov>
Subject: Boulder Tennis Association questions regarding new tennis construction and ongoing court maintenance

External Sender

Alison and Bryan...

First, thanks in advance for your time. This is Parker Dodd, President of the Board of Directors for the Boulder Tennis Association (BTA). The BTA is one of over 1,000 USTA-sanctioned Community Tennis Associations in the country, and we've been a fixture in the Boulder area for over two decades. Until recently, the association was primarily concerned with providing services for our members: 1) administering and overseeing USTA league play for the Boulder area, 2) running the annual Austin Scott tournament, 3) holding "Saturday morning drop-in tennis" throughout the summer at the Centennial Middle School courts, and 4) organizing indoor tennis winter socials throughout the winter months.

But as the sole representative for public court players in the Boulder area, our overriding concern has always been advocating for quality public tennis – especially for those of us who for one reason

or another are not members of a private club. Over the last year, with the encouragement of our members, the board has been stepping up its commitment to address ongoing issues for the tennis community, especially for the less affluent among us.

So, in the spirit of delving into some of these issues together and seeing what we can do to address them, I've been asked to present a summary of public tennis court conditions at the present. So, some facts...

1. There has been an huge increase in tennis participation over the last year. The Physical Activity Council recently reported that between the third quarter of 2019 and the third quarter of 2020, national participation in tennis increased 49%. In other words, half again as many people were on the courts this year as were playing last year. For comparison's sake, this one year increase in tennis playing matches the increase for the entire decade of 2000 – 2009. Another example: racquet sales for first time players in 2020 jumped 38 percent over 2019 sales.
2. More importantly, long before this recent tennis boom, Boulder area public courts were already bursting at the seams. The population on the Front Range in general and Boulder in particular has been burgeoning for decades, and of course the number of tennis players has increased in proportion. Regular public court players have witnessed increasingly stiff competition for courts long before this latest tennis boom hit. But while our Boulder players have watched the creation of large, new tennis facilities in Longmont, Thornton, and Arvada, I'm not entirely sure the City of Boulder has opened even a single new tennis location in the last decade, perhaps longer. (This is based on my personal knowledge and I'm willing to be corrected – that's what we hope to clarify with the survey mentioned below.)
3. Apart from the question of overcrowding on existing courts, there is an informed consensus among our BTA members (and our approx.. 1,000 members are the serious tennis players that are out on the courts the most) that maintenance of existing courts is not keeping pace with natural deterioration. In other words, the maintenance cycle for existing courts is not rapid enough, and courts are falling into serious disrepair before they get attended to. This has been especially notable over the last five years. For example, the court surfaces at two of the largest public facilities overseen by City Parks, the Centennial MS courts and the Tom Watson Park courts, have such large cracks as to be almost unplayable.

As a first step to address this, the BTA Board is undertaking a survey of all details of Boulder-area public tennis courts. We'll be looking into a number of things...

1. How many Parks-maintained courts there are
2. When each came into existence
3. How long it has been since any new courts have been created
4. The shape each of the courts is currently in, in terms of court surfaces, nets, lights, etc.
5. The calendar of court maintenance for the next several years going forward: which courts are scheduled for patching, which for resurfacing, etc.
6. In terms of decisions made on court maintenance, court lighting, court restroom facilities, etc., what is the process of Parks and Rec to get regular annual input from the local community of tennis players, those most affected by these decisions and most knowledgeable of court conditions?

Obviously, we don't expect you to have the answers to all of these questions at your fingertips, and we (BTA) are prepared to do the research to come up with some of the answers, especially for the historical questions – but we figured the Parks and Recreation would be a good place to start. If you could point us in the right direction to access such records, that would be much appreciated.

Finally, personally speaking, I worked in public agencies for several years (Boulder Valley School District for 7 years and City of Thornton for 7 years) and I have nothing but respect for anyone who can face the challenges of public administration. Especially in these challenging times. But I would hasten to point out that everything is a matter of priorities. Considering that in one of your own surveys, the *South Valmont City Park Survey (April, 2014)*, tennis courts were reported to be the second most commonly used type of field or facility, ahead of basketball courts, soccer fields, baseball and softball fields, etc. – it would seem like tennis is far lower on the list of priorities than its public participation would merit.

And we are not implying that this is a one-way street. BTA is willing to apply its resources, financial and/or volunteer, to help wherever we can. We just need to establish how we can fit into the mix. We have had ongoing and friendly interactions with Maddy (and Matt before her) on various smaller issues of court usage, etc. But with these bigger picture goals in play, we thought we should broaden the scope of this dialog.

If you could have someone get back in touch with us pointing us in the right direction, again, that would be great. Or if you wanted to schedule a virtual meeting to further discuss these issues with the Board, we'd be glad to start a dialog. Thanks!

And here's hoping for a much better 2021 for one and all!

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From: Rhodes, Alison
Sent: Friday, February 5, 2021 9:58 AM
To: Chelsea Pohl <chelseapohl@hotmail.com>
Cc: Davis, Pamela <DavisP@bouldercolorado.gov>
Subject: RE: Roller Derby and Recreation

Hi Chelsea,

I will pass this along to the team. Since you've signed up for our Master Plan mailers, you will be notified of the opportunities to share your input directly. While we won't discuss strategies until this fall, they will be based on what we uncover through these first phases so influencing is beginning now.

One thing you might do in the meantime is review our Service Delivery methodology. It is outlined in this January 2018 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) agenda item, starting on page 15. I am working on ensuring our memos are more plainspeak these days, and so if you get lose in the bureaucratic language-just reach out.

In particular, I'd suggest you check out the info on how we determine where to invest limited tax subsidies based upon community benefit (p. 17). You can see that we've developed a tool, The Recreation Priority Index (RPI), to more objectively determine if programs are providing community benefit or perhaps more individual benefit. This is helpful, because so many folks are passionate about how they recreation-whether it be yoga, swimming or roller derby – that we can use these criteria to help determine where our support is most helpful. That process is laid out in pages 24-32 (not that much reading as it is the RPI itself) and you can see the criteria we use to determine a program's community benefit.

Check it out and LMK if you have any questions-

Ali

From: Chelsea Pohl <chelseapohl@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 4, 2021 3:38 PM
To: Rhodes, Alison <RhodesA@bouldercolorado.gov>

Cc: Davis, Pamela <DavisP@bouldercolorado.gov>
Subject: Re: Roller Derby and Recreation

Hi Ali "more Knope than Swanson"!!!
LOL, thats amazing.

I am so excited that your daughter is into roller skating now! Roller Girl is a really good book. I read it in one sitting (I hardly read), and my girls love it too. And she got you rolling too! That's soo cool.

I've attached the document, but please let me know if there is anything else I can/should do.
And, if there are relevant city council meetings that you think we should attend please let me know. I imagine it will be a while before the plan becomes a draft, but I would love to influence what I can.

This document was written in 2019 and as you can imagine there have been more direct impacts to roller derby because of Covid. BCB has moved out of their practice space and everything we own is in storage. Essentially everything is on hold at the moment because we are unable to practice/play, and the same goes for all leagues that we know of. Membership has obviously declined because no one wants to pay dues to an organization that isn't in service to them. So on top of the "regular" struggles that roller derby (and BCB) had, we now have that many more to come back from after this pandemic is over. It will require a momentous effort to rebuild - once again, but I can't think of a more important time for roller derby/skating/community to exist than after this incredible time of isolation.

Thank you!
Chelsea/Nope

> On Feb 4, 2021, at 9:52 AM, Rhodes, Alison <RhodesA@bouldercolorado.gov> wrote:
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> Hi Chelsea,
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> So nice seeing your name in my inbox, I hope you're doing well. You'll be pleased to know my 9yo got skates for her bday in Sept. and is obsessed. She got Roller Girl for Xmas and wants to know when she can start derby. She had me regularly out in my 20yo blades, and so replacements were on my Santa list.
>
> If you want to just email me the document, I will get it to our Project Manager and put your name down. I'm so glad you got the information and are connecting to the process.
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> Best-
>
> **Ali "more Knope than Swanson" Rhodes**
> **Director**
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From: Chelsea Pohl <chelseapohl@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 3, 2021 6:03 PM
To: Rhodes, Alison <RhodesA@bouldercolorado.gov>
Cc: Davis, Pamela <DavisP@bouldercolorado.gov>
Subject: Re: Roller Derby and Recreation

Hi Alison and Pam!
I hope everyone is doing well considering. I received the link to submit thoughts to the P&R Master Plan and I filled it out and am encouraging my skater community to as well. There wasn't a way to upload the Benefits of Roller Derby document that we worked really hard on and I'm wondering if there is a way to submit that as well?
Thanks so much,
Chelsea/Nope

> On Jan 2, 2020, at 8:39 AM, Rhodes, Alison <RhodesA@bouldercolorado.gov> wrote:
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> See you Knopes then!
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> **From:** Davis, Pamela <DavisP@bouldercolorado.gov>
> **Sent:** Tuesday, December 31, 2019 8:58 AM
> **To:** Chelsea Pohl <chelseapohl@hotmail.com>; Rhodes, Alison <RhodesA@bouldercolorado.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: Roller Derby and Recreation
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> On our calendar, can't wait!
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From: Chelsea Pohl <chelseapohl@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 30, 2019 6:14 PM
To: Rhodes, Alison <RhodesA@bouldercolorado.gov>
Cc: Davis, Pamela <DavisP@bouldercolorado.gov>
Subject: Re: Roller Derby and Recreation

So 7pm it starts so we need to be there by 6:30 !

Chelsea Pohl

> On Dec 30, 2019, at 1:33 PM, Rhodes, Alison <RhodesA@bouldercolorado.gov> wrote:
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> Thursdays are out for us (T's Poker night) and I have our advisory board meeting on the 27th so Chelsea, let us know if the 13th or 15th work for you?
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> **From:** Davis, Pamela <DavisP@bouldercolorado.gov>
> **Sent:** Monday, December 30, 2019 12:42 PM
> **To:** Rhodes, Alison <RhodesA@bouldercolorado.gov>; Chelsea Pohl <chelseapohl@hotmail.com>
> **Subject:** RE: Roller Derby and Recreation
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> Hi friends! I don't want the chance to pass us by before baby comes, so here are just a bunch of dates in the next month for us to work from (assuming generally 6ish pm on these evenings and open to location based on trivia options):
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> Mon 1/13, Wed 1/15, Thurs 1/23, Mon 1/27, Wed 1/29, Thurs 1/30, Mon 2/3
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> Let me know if any of these work!
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From: Rhodes, Alison <RhodesA@bouldercolorado.gov>
Sent: Friday, December 27, 2019 11:12 AM
To: Chelsea Pohl <chelseapohl@hotmail.com>
Cc: Davis, Pamela <DavisP@bouldercolorado.gov>
Subject: RE: Roller Derby and Recreation

Hi Chelsea,

We look forward to roller derby engaging in the community input phases of the master plan! The RFP is still slated for issue in January, however, the initial engagement will likely not kick off until March or April.

Let me know January dates for trivia; would love to make it work!

Ali

From: Chelsea Pohl <chelseapohl@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 15, 2019 9:41 AM
To: Rhodes, Alison <RhodesA@bouldercolorado.gov>
Cc: Davis, Pamela <DavisP@bouldercolorado.gov>
Subject: Re: Roller Derby and Recreation

External Sender

Thanks so much for looking into this Ali!
I really appreciate it.
I'm thinking it will still be the best course of action for us to make a stink during the public input period of the master plan review. Is that going to be sometime in January still?

I would love to get a date on the calendar for trivia!
I'm pretty flexible. January works.
Are Monday's do-able for you all?

> On Dec 12, 2019, at 3:12 PM, Rhodes, Alison <RhodesA@bouldercolorado.gov> wrote:

That would be so much fun!

Can we pick a night in January? This will be my view Dec 15-23:
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From: Davis, Pamela <DavisP@bouldercolorado.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 12, 2019 3:05 PM
To: Rhodes, Alison <RhodesA@bouldercolorado.gov>; Chelsea Pohl <chelseapohl@hotmail.com>
Subject: RE: Roller Derby and Recreation

Ali,

I just love your passion and commitment to following up and sharing this with us. Thank you!

Ali and Chelsea,

I'd love for us to try to rekindle the idea of getting the band together for a trivia night or something similar, with spouses included. We've got open evenings Dec. 19 and 20 before the holidays, as well as pretty great January availability before baby comes if you all are interested.

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From: Rhodes, Alison <RhodesA@bouldercolorado.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 12, 2019 2:55 PM
To: Chelsea Pohl <chelseapohl@hotmail.com>
Cc: Davis, Pamela

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Subject: Roller Derby and Recreation

Hi Chelsea,

Following the fun article shared on social media about roller derby Seattle, I had a conversation this morning with the Recreation Division Director for the City of Seattle, a colleague of mine.

He shared some information about how they're allowing Roller Derby in some of their facilities that I wanted to pass along.

1. Most importantly, they still finish all of their wood floors with oil-based products. These products result in a much-harder finish and protective layer on the floors.
2. They are allowing practice at facilities where the gym is 65'x95' for adequate safety zones.
3. Bouts are limited to the two facilities with bleachers.
4. As with all limited resources, they are challenged with balancing access to prime time (evenings 6-9pm.) since that is all groups' first preference.

I wanted to share as I found the conversation helpful and thought you would appreciate the information. FYI, we have transitioned to water-based finishes in our gymnasiums based upon community feedback. Water-based finishes result in a much safer experience for all as they contain very little or no Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC's): aka The Stinky Stuff. Our community members expressed a lot of dissatisfaction with oil-based finishes and their impact on the environment and health. Unfortunately, this does mean that our floors do not have the same hardness that allows for roller skating/derby like in Seattle.

Best of luck as you explore, and I look forward

to involving roller derby in our upcoming master planning conversation!

Sincerely,

The Other Leslie-

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- Saturday, June 22, 2019, 3:00 - 9:30 PM, Boulder County Fairgrounds;
- Saturday, July 13, 2019, 5:00 PM - 9:30 PM, Boulder County Fairgrounds; and
- Autumn, 2019, Thin Air Throw Down, Boulder County Fairgrounds.

More people are interested in joining roller derby than ever. To help recruit new members - recurring membership dues are the league's primary source of income - and to demonstrate roller derby's inclusion of diverse lifestyles; one dedicated skater, Hermione Danger, developed this film, titled, *You Can Play*.

What BCB needs most is a practice space. Finding stability in this segment of the sport has been challenging for the league (and the sport as a whole) since its inception. Since 2011, BCB has used several practices space, none of which were "permanent." Some of the spaces BCB has occupied include:

- The Boulder YMCA;
- Multiple warehouse spaces in Longmont; and
- A pig barn, among others.

Skaters and volunteers scrub sport court as they install it in the new practice space, 2018.

Currently, the closet regulation track to which BCB has access is 45-60 minutes away from most skaters. That space features several safety hazards, including large pillars in the middle of the track, which skaters must navigate around to avoid contact with one another. The distance skaters

must travel, plus the inherent safety hazards of skating in the rink dissuade skaters from participating in the league.

The space the league uses now is not viable for competitive play - it is too small for regulation-play; BCB can only use the space for practicing drills. Additionally, the space is not safe for competitive play – the walls are too close to the track; the floor is uneven (making falling more likely); and the space is prohibitive of constructive league activities, such as scrimmages, bouts, clinics, open-skate events; etc.

Nearly everybody in the league is hunting for real-estate/space-for-lease in Boulder County, but usable locations are space. Locations that are available are very expensive. Some factors that impact the availability of viable roller derby locations include:

- We need approximately 13,300 sq. ft. of space with limited or no support beams, with 75 ft. x 108 ft. dimensions available for a full track, ref lane, and spectator space/storage.
- Market competition - multi-thousand sq. ft. "warehouse" space is highly sought after in the cannabis, brewery/spirit, technology industries - those industries, all of which are booming in Colorado right now, have unquestionable advantages accessing capital, ROI, and monetary impact in the community; and
- Prohibitive costs of occupancy - rent certainly is not going down any time soon.

Financial Stability

As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, BCB has the following financial responsibilities:

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Additionally, BCB has other financial obligations:

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Expenses for bouts include the following:

[INSERT BOUT BALANCE SHEET]

BCB has the following sources of revenue:

- Monthly membership dues;
- Sponsorships;
- Ticket sales for bouts;
- Merchandise;
- Food and beverage sales at bouts; and
- Donations

[INSERT SAMPLE 1-YEAR FINANCIAL PROFORMA]

Boulder County Bombers in the Community

BCB is actively committed to making its host community more vibrant, welcoming, inclusive, healthy, and athletic. Not only do skaters put in dozens of hours per week practicing, skating, traveling, and maintaining their gear, they are also very active in the Boulder County community. Many BCB skaters volunteer in their free time, including in County and City-sponsored programs and at community events. Aside from that dedication, BCB, as an organization, participates in many community-strengthening activities. Some events that BCB has facilitated and/or participated in include:

- Longmont and Boulder Pride Festival;
- Local brewery events;
- Street festivals; and
- Story time at the Longmont Public Library.

To help cover the leagues cost of operation, it invites sponsors to donate goods, services, and /money to the league in return for banner advertising, PA-announcements at bouts, and reserved space inside bout venues, among other perks. Sponsors range from roller skating equipment providers, alcoholic beverage producers, brew-pubs, massage therapists), and others.

Most roller derby bouts at the Boulder County Fairgrounds feature food and drinks from vendors

from all over town, such as food trucks, pizza places, local breweries, and distilleries. Many skaters and their families own small businesses in and around Boulder County, which provide discounted services for BCB members and volunteers, in addition to other forms of support. This local involvement is integral to BCB's values as a community-inclusive nonprofit.

BCB's activities also contribute to Longmont's tourism industry. As mentioned above, BCB regularly hosts teams from out-of-town. Visiting skaters rely on Longmont (and the rest of Boulder County)'s amenities, including hotels, restaurants, The Boulder County Fairgrounds Exhibit Building is an ideal venue for these events because of, but not limited to, the following factors;

- Open space free of clutter or other hazards;
- Bleachers for spectators;
- Ample parking;
- Well-known and easy-to-find location;
- Facility infrastructure, such as chairs, tables, sinks, restrooms, and other resources.

One of the downsides of using the Fairgrounds as BCB's exclusive home is limited availability. Roller derby is just one of hundreds of events that the Fairgrounds hosts every year. Typically, BCB reserves 5-8 days to host bouts. All other bouts are "away", meaning BCB must arrange for other leagues to host its skaters. Another disadvantage of relying on the Fairgrounds is cost. To use the exhibit building, BCB must reserve dates one year in advance, and each event costs [$INSERT NUMBER]. Though membership fees, food sales, merchandise, and other sources of revenue help offset this financial burden, it is a substantial commitment that requires dedicated forethought to properly execute.

Potential Practice Spaces

With a proper practice facility, BCB may be able to host its own events without needing to heavily compete with other events/vendors needing a space to facilitate activities. The league wants to continue to use the Fairgrounds because it has the capacity and resources to host competitive bouts.

With the advent of a regulation track, BCB could provide the additional community benefits:

- Family skate nights;
- Adult skate nights;
- Skate lessons and summer camps; and
- Family friendly events (scrimmages, recruiting events, etc.).

As this plan highlights, BCB is looking for a new practice facility that can serve the league. Some potential spaces that BCB is considering include:

- The Valmont Skate Park; and
- Former cannabis cultivation facilities occupied by the licensee, Skinny Pineapple, LLC (d.b.a. The Farm).

The unoccupied shell at the Valmont Bike Park could be a perfect skating venue.

The first option, the Valmont Skate Park, features a semi-completed structure that could house a track for BCB's use. For more details about this space, see the following link: **https://bouldercolorado.gov/parks-rec/skate-features-at-valmont**

The latter, The Farm, is having challenges leasing its former cannabis cultivation space because its affiliation with growing plants. Despite the cost, these types of spaces are ideal because they are environmentally controlled and offer enough space to skate without obstructions.

BCB is welcome to co-occupying a space with other sports organizations, such as hockey, indoor soccer, skate fitness, ice skating, rollerblading, etc. By co-locating some of these activities, Boulder County could foster a year-round, mixed-use recreational facility.

One feature unique to BCB is the leagues training program. Even with zero skating experience, one can walk into a BCB practice and learn everything there is to know about roller derby. First, skaters engage in a eight (8)-week skating course ("Phase One (1)"), whereby skaters learn to roller skate forwards and backwards, turn around, stop, fall without injuring yourself, and how to maintain skate gear. After completing a brief exam after the Phase One course, skaters then engage in another 8-week roller derby course ("Phase Two (2)"), whereby skaters learn the fundamentals of the sport – hitting, game play, and strategy. Skaters pay monthly dues while attending the courses, which occur two (2) nights per week. By employing these two levels of training, each skater learns safe roller-skating technique. One of the most gratifying experiences in BCB roller derby is seeing a new skater overcome their fear or anxiety of learning something new in roller skating become a thriving athlete. BCB accommodates ALL level of play, from beginners to world-ranked competitive play. In addition to roller skating, practices also involve rigorous "off-skate" fitness sessions, team bonding, classroom education, and other activities.

Having good access to a viable facility makes Phase practices and other team activities easy to schedule and execute. As a result, BCB can retain skaters and can build comradery amongst league participants.

Boulder County Bombers in the Press

BCB has been featured in several media outlets around Boulder County.

For more information about Boulder County, its mission, and its commitment to the community, please see the following articles.

- KGNU Radio: PoCo in BoCo: Boulder County Bombers Roller Derby
  - https://news.kgnu.org/2018/05/poco-in-boco-boulder-county-roller-derby/
- Lefthand Valley Currier: Roller Derby - Boulder County Bombers
  - http://www.lhvc.com/sports/roller-derby---boulder-county-bombers/article_98e45e34-6812-11e7-b9bd-8f01c027b1a7.html
- Longmont Daily Times Call: Boulder County Bombers roller derby team visits with children at Longmont Public Library
  - https://www.timescall.com/2017/10/04/boulder-county-bombers-roller-derby-team-visits-with-children-at-longmont-public-library/
- Longmont Observer: Boulder County Bombers Awarded Colorado Women's Sport Fund Association Grant
  - https://longmontobserver.org/lifestyle/boulder-county-bombers-awarded-colorado-womens-sport-fund-association-grant/

Formal Requests

- Access to a viable building for practice purposes (3 nights per week, minimum)
- Financial support to assist costs related to league operation
- Letters of support – leveraging the City/County's support can help BCB access established recreational facilities such as rec centers, gyms, etc.

Boulder County Bombers

Community Impact Plan

May, 2019

What is Roller Derby?

Roller Derby is a full-contact team sport played on roller skates. Sounds simple enough, right? Well, roller derby is a bigger deal than you might think. It is the only female-dominated (created) professional contact sport and it involves thousands of women worldwide. In fact, roller derby is the fastest growing sport in the world. [CITE]. Having sprung out of a motivation to enhance women's visibility in professional sports, women's flat-track roller derby really became the sport we know today in the early 2000s - Ellen Page had a blockbuster movie, *Whip It*, which helped bring roller derby back into the mainstream. Active even before Hollywood gave it attention, women's roller derby is a legitimate professional sport. It involves thousands of skaters in hundreds of leagues, world-class referees, a robust rule book, elected leadership, standardized league administration, and even its own insurance. In short, roller derby a grossly undervalued community asset that deserves more investment and attention.

Roller derby bouts are family friendly and affordable entertainment. Most events welcome children free-of-charge. Not only is roller derby an entertaining, fast-paced contact sport, it is also serves an activist role in its host communities. Many people that participate in roller derby are in the LGBTQ, or "queer" community. The queer community is terribly marginalized in sports, and it deserves recognition and representation in local sports. Roller derby provides a safe outlet for individuals of ANY lifestyle and background to participate in fun, exhilarating, athletic competition.

Women's Flat Track Derby Association

Although many roller derby associations/leagues exist around the world, the Women's Flat Track Derby Association ("WFTDA") is by and large the most influential roller derby association in the world. It boasts over 450 member leagues on 6 continents- including over 10 in Colorado alone, and Boulder County's very own Boulder County Bombers ("BCB"), whom we represent. WFTDA governs and promotes the sport of flat-track roller derby (a little different from the

"banked" track you might be familiar with from the 70s or portrayed in the movies) in a professional and approachable way - by actively recruiting people of all ages, lifestyles, and body types and promoting values that reflect sportsmanship, community, and inclusion. The Association revolutionizes the role of women in sports through the collective voice of its member leagues around the world. There is even a worldwide "juniors" organizational body, Junior Roller Derby Association ("JRDA"), which works in relationship with WFTDA, and in which Boulder County is a member league. WFTDA-charter teams compete for mathematically calculated rankings. At the end of the competitive season (Dec 1- June 30), it seeds teams into global playoffs based on rankings. Hundreds of thousands of viewers watch the annual tournament worldwide, fans pack host stadiums, and games - or "bouts" as they are called in roller derby - are now featured on ESPN-syndicated television.

Roller derby is not just for women. Men's roller derby is also popular in some cities. Denver has one of the highest ranked men's teams in the world. BCB does not roster a men's team, but the juniors league is mixed gender, and the league bylaws and handbook are inclusive of all genders. Men can skate with our home teams, but WFTDA does not sanction games involving cisgender men.

Roller Derby in Colorado

Colorado boasts one of the highest concentrations of roller derby leagues in the world. With over 10 active WFTDA leagues alone, many cities across Colorado have some sort of roller derby activity, whether it is sanctioned, recreational, or just "open-skate." At the beginning of the 2019 season, Boulder County was ranked #66 in the world. Denver is currently #3 in the world; and Fort Collins is ranked in the top-100. Dozens of international teams visit Colorado each year to play roller derby - just last year (2018) Boulder County Bombers hosted the "Thin Air Throwdown" featuring Denver Roller Derby, Rose City Derby from Portland, and a team from Victoria, Australia. All three visiting teams are ranked among the top 10 in the world. BCB has had the privilege of playing teams from Argentina, Australia, England, and several other countries in the past, and it hopes to bring even more teams to enjoy our beautiful home and share *our* roller derby experience. The Thin Air Throwdown was such a success that BCB is excited to announce

that it will host the tournament again in 2019. The second annual Thin Air Throwdown is scheduled for [INSERT DATE] at Boulder County Fairgrounds. We hope to host several internationally top-ranked teams, as we did last year. Participating teams are TBD.

The Boulder County Bombers

Roller derby's impact on our local community is substantial and it can be felt in a growing proportion of our county's residents. Boulder County Bombers have global reach, but the team's impact is felt most here at home. Founded in 2011 as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, the Bombers have impact hundreds of skaters, officials, coaches and fans. As of May 2019, BCB has around 150 members, including:

- 75+ adult skaters;
- 30+ junior skaters (u18 mixed-gender league);
- 25 officials;
- 6 coaches; and
- Dozens of volunteers comprised of spouses, children of skaters, friends, and relatives.

BCB wants to provide a welcoming environment for EVERY type of person. For roller derby to succeed as a sport, it needs diverse membership. Roller derby is notoriously inclusive, and the sport provides solace for individuals from many marginalized communities. In 2011, BCB had just two (2) home teams – the Daisy Nukes and the Shrap Nellies. In 2012, BCB established the All Stars travel team, which played locally with nearby leagues, like the South Side Derby Dames and the Cheyenne Capidolls. In 2013, BCB expanded again to roster a second travel team, the Bombshells. In 2014, BCB joined WFTDA as a member league. 2014 was the first year that the All Stars competed in WFTDA Division-Two (2) Playoffs. In 2015, the Bombshells participated in their first tournament. In 2016, BCB placed 5th at Playoffs, and in 2017, BCB

created the addition of a third home team, the Night Witches. Now in 2019 we have 3 Home Teams and 3 Traveling Teams, The BCB All-Stars, The Bombshells and The Screaming Mimis.

Roller derby skaters are incredibly diverse, which in turn attracts a diverse audience. Roller derby is a highly entertaining, fast-paced spectator sport. Bouts last around an hour, and it is common for 2-3 bouts to occur at each event. Some tournaments can bring hundreds of spectators, while home-team bouts (these bouts just involve skaters from one league) may generate just a few dozen fans. It is incredibly important to serve skaters that engage in different levels of play, not just elite athletes. Therefore, BCB schedules bouts for all qualified skaters in three levels of play (C team, B team, and All stars). Everybody that passes WFTDA minimum-skills assessment can participate in C team (home team) play. Tryouts, facilitated by the team's coaches, dictate who is on the B and All-star travel teams. Travel skaters receive small stipends to help assist them in traveling to sanctioned bouts and tournaments around the country. Skaters have multiple opportunities throughout the year to try out and gain a spot on the all-star roster but otherwise everybody receives ample opportunity to skate with their home team throughout the entire year (competitive season and "off-season").

The Fire

BCB's story is harrowing. Put bluntly, BCB needs a practice space because its last one burnt to the ground. In June 2018, an electrical fire struck the air conditioning unit inside our "practice barn" and we almost lost our league. Skaters lost hundreds of dollars of gear in the fire. The league had just purchased a new $6,370 plastic sport-court and the fire fused it to the floor board. Soot ruined expensive practice equipment and vital bout-production gear. We feared everything was lost, and we didn't know how to move forward.

For more details about the fire that affected the barn, see the following article:

http://www.timescall.com/news/ci_31937256/fire-near-longmont-damages-barn?fbclid=IwAR1GOjmls5B9HfBd_PL679ZBmnK7xEudQZaike2I4ILVQdZzpE1Pwm7Fq7I

We built that practice space, literally, from the ground-up. Before our skaters and volunteers donated and installed a 8,000 sq. ft. floor-board, we skated on just a half-inch of plastic over the barn dirt. The barn burning has had a detrimental impact on the league. The barn was rustic, to say the least, but it was our home. Hundreds of volunteer hours went into making a safe, legitimate space, and it all went up in flames.

In the wake of the fire, BCB has faced dozens of resignations, leave-of-absences, and considerably less participation among current skater and officials. The league has access to a small practice space now, but it is not regulation-size. The only regulation-size track to which the league has regular access is 40 miles away in Brighton. Even so, limited time slots can force practice times past 11:00 p.m - too late for many. The familial impact the barn burning has had cannot be overstated. To start, the barn's owner, a pig farmer and skater for the Bombers (Derby Name: Baconator ("Bacon") was forced to sell the farm. She was integral to our league and she is sorely missed. The barn, which also sometimes doubled as a wedding venue, pig sty, and equestrian course, was a safe space for our hundreds of skaters, referees, and volunteers. Because BCB is so inclusive and welcoming of people of diverse backgrounds, its participants do not necessarily enjoy the same public privileges as the general population. Losing the barn was losing a second home for many of us.

Rebuilding the League - We Need Your Support

The fire was just last summer, but BCB has slowly been getting back on its feet! The league still has access to the Boulder County Fairgrounds' Exhibit Building to host competitive bouts. The season is currently underway. Currently, BCB rosters three (3) travel-level teams, three (3) home teams, home-officials, and the league has a committed team of volunteers that help league operations.

BCB is rebuilding as a league. Recruitment is starting to come back up, even compared to years at peak-membership, and we look forward to a competitive season ahead. The following is the 2019 schedule for all BCB bouts: