

RECOMMENDATIONS

The following recommendations are based on the findings of the CRPD park evaluation and the Community Needs Assessment, and are designed to enhance the Carmichael recreation and park system.



These recommendations include improvements to existing parks and system-wide improvements. The Community Survey report can be found in Appendix B, and Appendix C contains the complete Community Needs Assessment.

The recommendations contained in this Plan are designed to ensure that each of CRPD's parks provides high-quality recreation opportunities for community residents. Many Plan recommendations emphasize improvements to existing parks and facilities. The Plan includes specific design programs for each of the community's existing park sites – programs which replace aging amenities, such as

picnic areas, parking, and shade structures, and add valuable recreation facilities, such as trails and play equipment. These upgrades are designed to protect existing investments, enhance user safety and ADA accessibility, maximize maintenance efficiencies, and better-support recreation activities.

The Plan also proposes a new aquatic facility in Carmichael Park, which will replace the defunct swimming pool that operated in the park until recently. The original proposal was for a leisure pool concept offering a wide variety of swimming facilities and activities. This concept required a much larger footprint than the original pool, a secondary access and more parking. This approach would require considerable changes to Carmichael Park. Subsequent meetings with the neighborhood found little support for any changes to the park.

In summary, the Plan proposes new facilities and plan frameworks that will encourage active, healthy lifestyles by supporting the interests that appeal to residents most. No revisions to this Plan should be made unless the District has provided the public an opportunity to review and comment on the proposed revisions.