



# Tukwila Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan

## Extended Outreach Summary

### **Extended Outreach Intercepts**

To expand the reach of the public involvement process for the Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan, the City held three Extended Outreach Intercept events intended to gather feedback and build interest in the community. The events targeted programs oriented towards different ages and areas of the city. Feedback gathered from these activities will be used to identify problem areas, gaps in service and new opportunities to serve the community better. The Extended Outreach posters are attached at the end of this summary.

### ***Locations***

The Extended Outreach activities occurred at three events spanning from early May through early July. The City also provided a non-staffed display at the Tukwila Community Center.

- Teen Late Night, May 3, 2013
- Backyard Wildlife Festival, May 11, 2013
- Senior Lunch Program, July 2, 2013
- Tukwila Community Center, May 28 - July 1, 2013

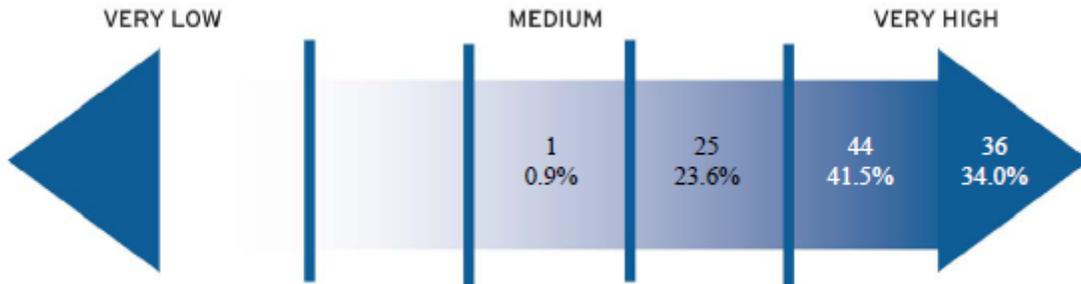
### ***Materials***

Each activity involved a series of three interactive poster boards that asked participants questions related to the existing state of the park system and needs for the future. Participants indicated their responses and preferences by placing sticky dots on the corresponding poster board location. Participants had six colored dots to indicate their answers, along with optional write-in space for other responses or comments. Except for the Community Center location, representatives from the planning team were on hand to give information about the PROS Plan and respond to questions.

## Key Findings

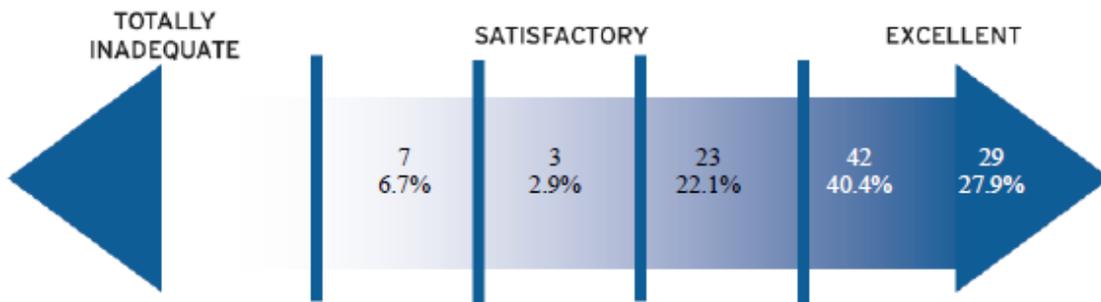
### ***Overall Quality and Maintenance***

Most participants rated overall park quality and maintenance as high to very high. Only one percent of respondents identified quality as being medium and there were no dots placed on low to very low.



### ***Variety and Availability of Recreation Classes and Programs***

Most participants rated the variety and availability of recreation classes and programs as excellent. There were only three percent of responses for satisfactory and 6.7% indicated that the level is inadequate.



### ***Desired Activities***

- Swimming or water play (indoor or outdoor), fitness/wellness and social gathering had the most responses across all events and locations. These were also of the most popular activities identified at the Senior Lunch Program/Tukwila Community Center and the Teen Late Night.

**Top Desired Activities:**

- Fitness/wellness
- Swimming or water play
- Playing casual sports/games
- Participating in team/individual sports

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- Fitness/wellness, swimming or water play, playing casual sports/games and participating in team or individual sports received the most responses from Teen Late Night participants.
- Walking/biking and walking or playing with dogs received the fewest responses from Teen Late Night participants, but received the most responses at the Backyard Wildlife Festival.

*Table 1: Desired Recreational Activities by Total Responses*

	Teen Late Night	Backyard Wildlife Festival	Senior Lunch and Community Center	Total Responses
Swimming or water play	24	15	11	50
Fitness/wellness	32	9	3	44
Social gathering	9	17	9	35
Playing casual sports/games	22	5	3	30
Walking/biking	2	20	5	27
Team/Individual Sports	19	4	3	26
Playing	6	15	4	25
River activities	5	14	5	24
Walking or playing with dogs	3	9	5	17

### ***Desired Programs***

- Youth sports, outdoor recreation and before and after school programs were the most popular responses across all events and locations. Because the Teen Late Night had the most participants of all Extended Outreach activities and locations, these choices were also the most popular of Teen Late Night responses.
- Based on responses from the Senior Lunch and Community Center, senior programs and trips, adult sports and aquatic programs/swimming had the most responses.
- According to Teen Late Night outcomes, choices with the fewest responses included senior trips and programs, service programs, adult sports, environmental programs and education/special interest classes.

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Table 2: Desired Recreational Programs by Total Responses

	<b>Teen Late Night</b>	<b>Backyard Wildlife Festival</b>	<b>Senior Lunch and Community Center</b>	<b>Total Responses</b>
Youth sports	29	7	2	38
Outdoor recreation	23	5	1	29
Before and after school programs, camps	18	7	2	27
Fitness and wellness programs	15	8	0	23
Senior programs and trips	0	6	17	23
Special events	10	10	3	23
Aquatic programs/swimming	5	9	6	20
Adult sports	2	6	8	16
Education/special interest classes	3	7	4	14
Environmental programs	3	4	4	11
Volunteer programs	4	2	2	8
Service programs (i.e. footcare, meals on wheels, etc.)	1	3	2	6
Arts and culture programs	5	9	5	1



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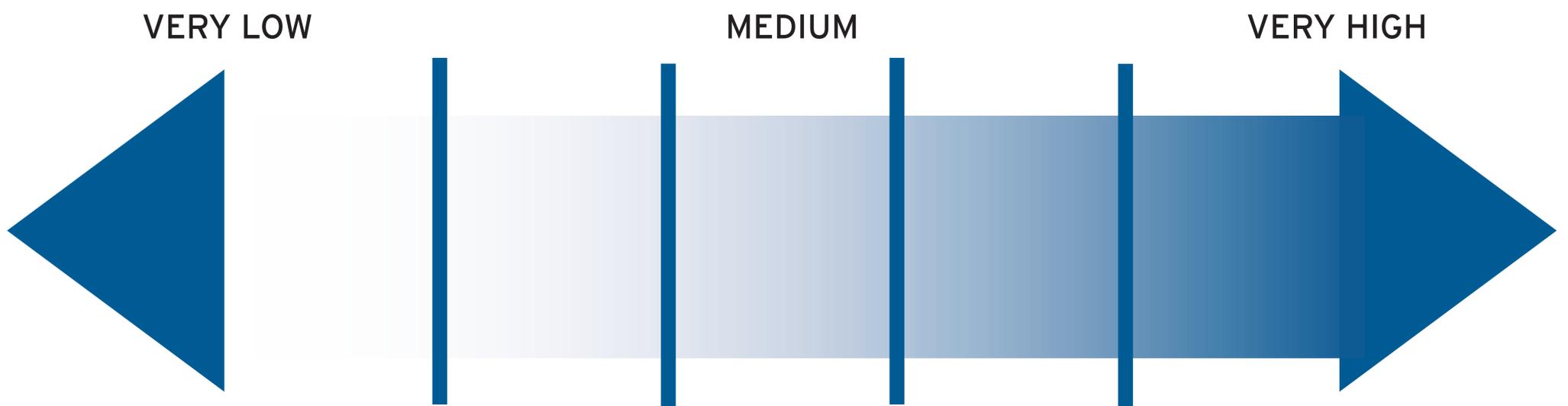
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### Tell us what you think!

Tukwila is updating our community's plan for parks, recreation and open space. Let us know what is important to you to help guide the development of the system for the next 20 years!

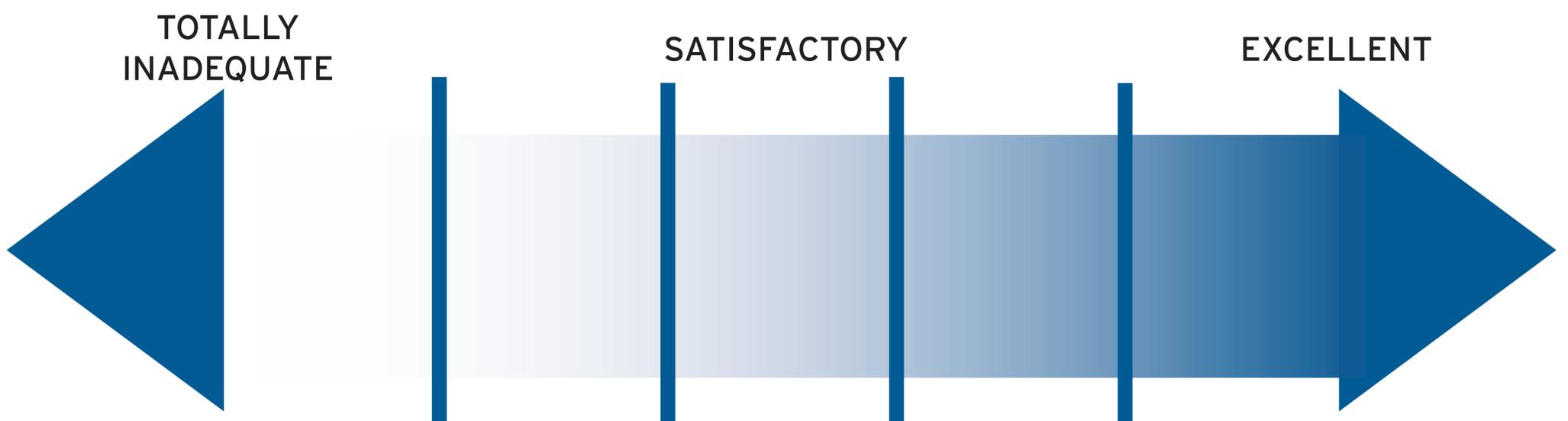
### How would you rate the overall quality and maintenance of Tukwila's park sites?

Please place a dot in the area of the scale that represents your opinion.



### How would you rate the variety and availability of recreation classes and programs provided by Tukwila Parks and Recreation?

Please place a dot in the area of the scale that represents your opinion.





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### What activities would you like to see more of in Tukwila's parks, recreation and open space system?

*(Please place dots on your top 2 responses)*

Playing (running, hiding,  
seeking, sliding, climbing, etc.)

Fitness/wellness

Swimming or water play  
(indoor or outdoor)

Walking/biking

Participating in team  
or individual sports

River activities (fishing,  
boating, paddleboarding, etc.)

Social gathering (picnics,  
community events, parties, etc)

Playing casual  
sports/games

Walking or playing  
with dog(s)

Other: *(add on a sticky note)*



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**What types of recreation programs are most needed or need to be enhanced in Tukwila?**  
*(Please place dots on your top 2 responses)*

Youth sports

Adult sports

Fitness and wellness programs

Environmental programs

Outdoor recreation

Arts and culture programs

Aquatic programs/swimming

Before and after school programs, camps

Senior programs and trips

Service programs (i.e. footcare, meals on wheels etc.)

Education/special interest classes

Special events

Volunteer programs

Other:  
*(add on a sticky note)*