

A Highly Used Parks and Recreation System

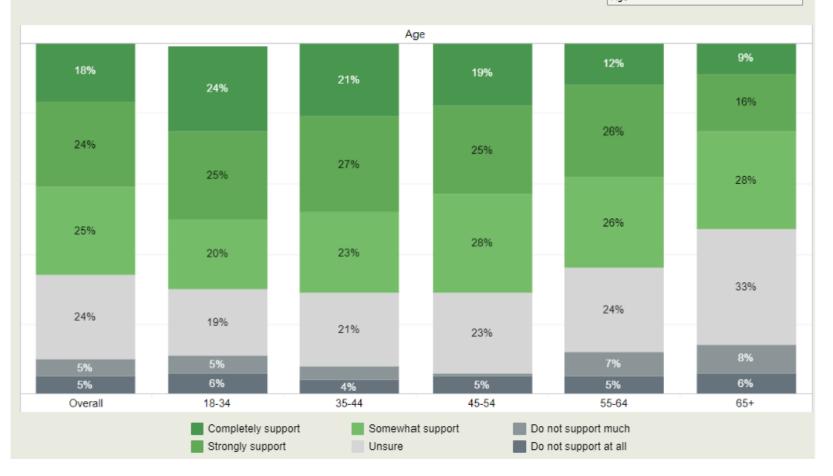




Public Support Found for Dedicated Tax Funding of Local Parks and Recreation

Two-thirds (66 percent) of U.S. adults want their local government to dedicate funds through revenues, taxes and levies that directly support parks and recreation. Dedicated park and recreation funding is essential to the parks, programs and services that help build healthy, strong and vibrant communities nationwide.







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46	San Antonio, TX	1,465,079	\$139,967,678	\$96	\$2,405,084	\$2	\$142,372,762	\$97	1.7%
53	Houston, TX	2,414,978	\$167,217,777	\$69	\$32,298,453	\$13	\$199,516,230	\$83	19.3%
64	Irving, TX	247,615	\$17,590,765	\$71	\$0	\$0	\$17,590,765	\$71	0.0%
76	Laredo, TX	268,978	\$15,003,310	\$56	\$0	\$0	\$15,003,310	\$56	0.0%
79	El Paso, TX	698,613	\$34,491,550	\$49	\$0	\$0	\$34,491,550	\$49	0.0%
83	Garland, TX	248,363	\$11,484,740	\$46	\$0	\$0	\$11,484,740	\$46	0.0%
85	Corpus Christi, TX	334,834	\$15,357,030	\$46	\$0	\$0	\$15,357,030	\$46	0.0%
91	Fort Worth, TX	906,054	\$32,906,985	\$36	\$895,224	\$1	\$33,802,209	\$37	2.7%
92	Lubbock, TX	263,923	\$8,311,000	\$31	\$25,011	\$0	\$8,336,011	\$32	0.3%



Conservancies at Work



Discovery Green - Houston





Inspiring Life in the Heart of Atlanta

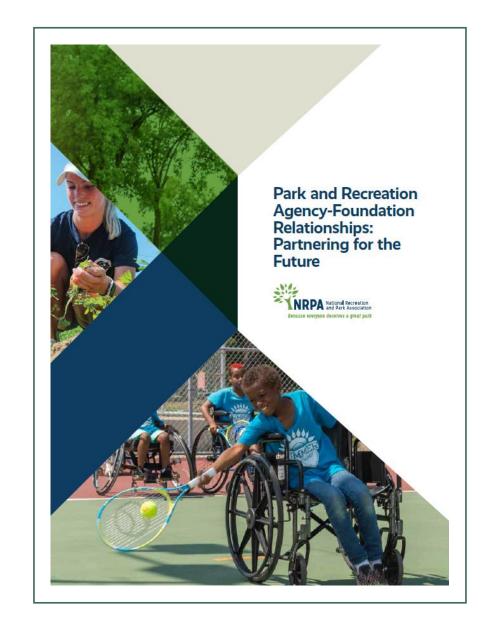
The Piedmont Park Conservancy, a nonprofit organization, raises over \$3.5 million dollars annually to preserve and enhance the park.

▼ SUPPORT THE PARK

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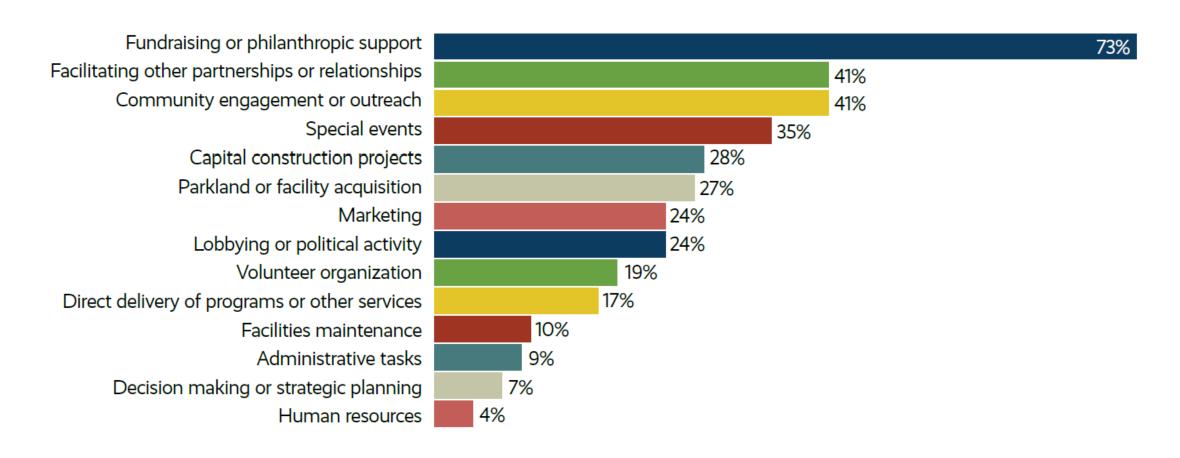
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"...the role of nonprofit foundations and friends' groups may only become more prominent in the years to come as agencies grapple with the financial implications of the Great Recession, COVID-19 pandemic and future crises."



Park and Recreation Leaders Place a High Degree of Importance on Their Foundations' Fundraising Support

(Percent of Respondents Rating Specific Activities as "Extremely" or "Very" Important)



Source: NRPA 2020 Partnership Report - Parks and Recreation Agency Foundation Relationships: Partnering for a Future

