



# Is Fixed the New Fancy?

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### Why we are here

## Perception (citizens and leaders)



Practice (budgets, time, resources)

Communication

**Proactive vs. Reactive** 

**Systematic** 

Small & big wins







What we know about maintenance & perceptions...

#### Poor maintenance $\rightarrow$ nonuse

Higher use  $\rightarrow$  higher expectations

Why new  $\leftarrow *** \rightarrow$  fix what we have

Specific requests  $\leftarrow *** \rightarrow$  uneducated

Why have maintenance planning

#### Impact perceptions

Communication

Education

**Proactive instead of reactive** 

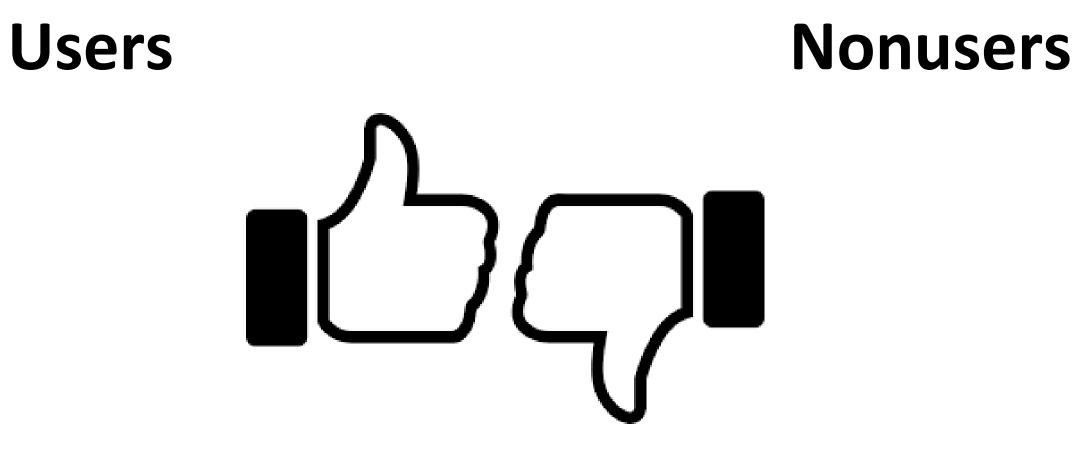
## Perceptions...











#### Communication



**Dallas Park and Recreation Department** February 22 at 12:47pm · 🚱 Public Notice: The following trails and parks are closed due to flooding: Anderson Bonner Park AT&T Trail Buckeye Trail California Crossing Park Cottonwood Trail Fair Oaks Park Great Trinity Forest Trails Great Trinity Forest Park @ I-20 Harry S Moss Park Hillcrest Park Lawnview Park Peary Park Santa Fe Trestle Trail Trammell Crow Park Trinity Strand Trail Valley View Park White Rock Creek Trail (Hillcrest Park to WRL) We will open them back up just as soon as weather permits. Stay safe and dry out there!





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Practice safety during rainy conditions, watch for high water on roads. Don't go around barricades.





### **Greenspace Mowed Area**



#### Education



#### EVENTO DE PLANTACIÓN DE ÁRBOLES PARA VOLUNTARIOS

Saturday - October 29 SÀBADO 29 DE OCTUBRE Glendale Park (75216)

Saturday - November 5 SÀBADO 5 DE NOVIEMBRE JW Ray Park (75204)

Saturday - November 12 SÀBADO 12 DE NOVIEMBRE William Blair Jr. Park (75215)

Scan the QR Code to register to volunteer! Individuals and groups welcomed.



Saturday - November 19 SÀBADO 19 DE NOVIEMBRE Westmount Park (75211)

Friday - December 2 VIERNES 2 DE DICIEMBRE Grauwyler Park (75235)

Saturday - December 10 SÀBADO 10 DE DICIEMBRE Timberglen Park (75287)

Escanea el código QR para registrarte como voluntario. ¡Personas y grupos bienvenidos!



### Proactive instead of Reactive



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- Consistency
- Staff training/onboarding
- Safety
- Costs
- Deferred maintenance
- Sustainability
- Funders
- Big Picture
- Parks as lifecycle --not project or picture on map

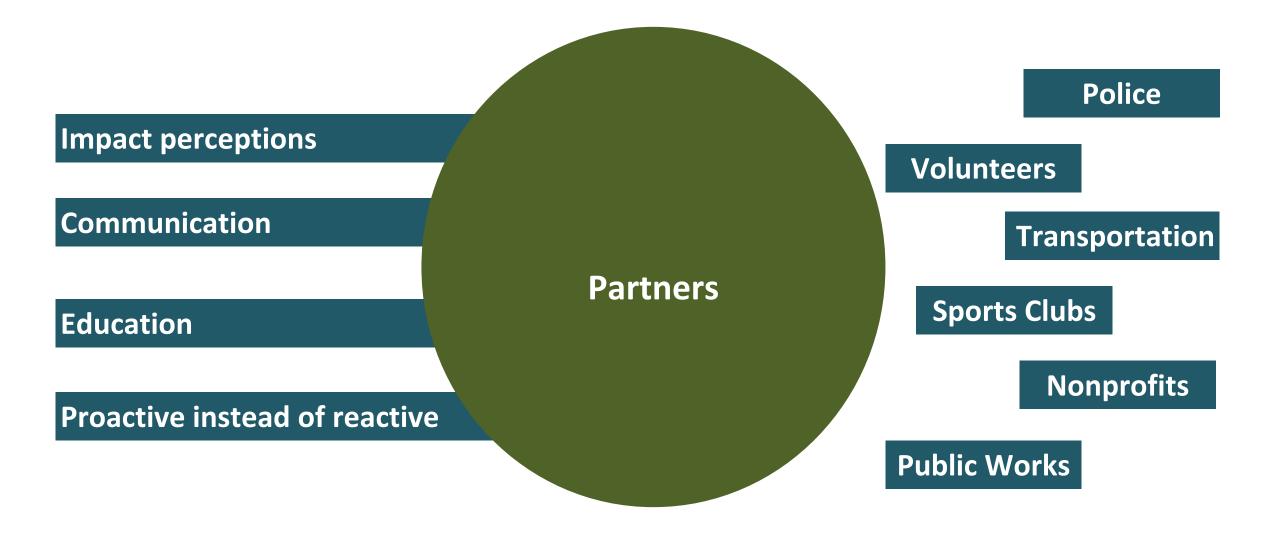
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1	Foundation(s)	<u>57.78%</u>	<u>38.52%</u>	<u>1.48%</u>	<u>1.48%</u>	<u>0.74%</u>	135
2	Friend's Group(s)	<u>55.00%</u>	37.14%	<u>5.00%</u>	0.00%	<u>2.86%</u>	140
3	Sports Association(s)	20.99%	36.42%	<u>31.48%</u>	3.70%	<u>7.41%</u>	> 77% 162
4	Public Partnership(s) with schools	<u>31.17%</u>	<u>55.84%</u>	<u>7.14%</u>	<u>1.30%</u>	<u>4.55%</u>	> 67% 154
5	Public Partnership(s) with other public entities	<u>42.95%</u>	<u>47.65%</u>	<u>4.70%</u>	<u>2.01%</u>	<u>2.68%</u>	> 53% 149
6	Private Partnership(s)	<u>61.43%</u>	27.14%	<u>5.71%</u>	<u>1.43%</u>	<u>4.29%</u>	140
7	Formal Volunteer Organizations	37.82%	<u>46.79%</u>	<u>8.33%</u>	<u>3.21%</u>	<u>3.85%</u>	> 60% 156
8	Other	86.30%	8.22%	0.00%	0.00%	<u>5.48%</u>	73



List in box... who are your partners?

### The Value of having a Maintenance Plan (Sternloff & Warren)

Systematic Approach

#### Guide and Justify Budget

#### Communication

#### **Components of a Plan**



#### Inventory

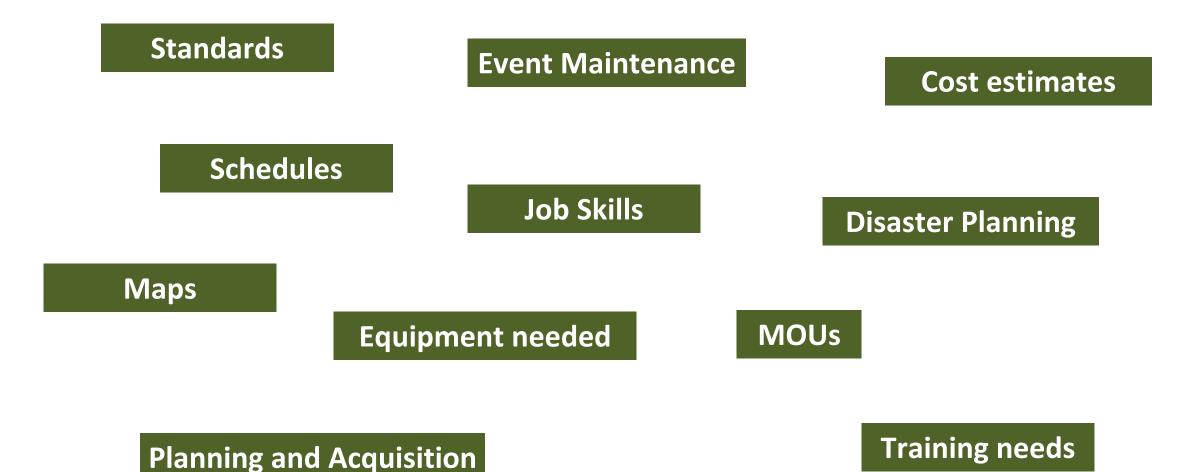
### **Task Identification**

#### **Maintenance Instructions**

#### Non routine maintenance

Assign Responsibility(ies)

(Sternloff & Warren)



#### **Additional Components– Modes/ Level of Service**



Well-Manicured Areas

Natural Areas

### **Conceptual Continuum**



Examples of Modes

(NRPA)

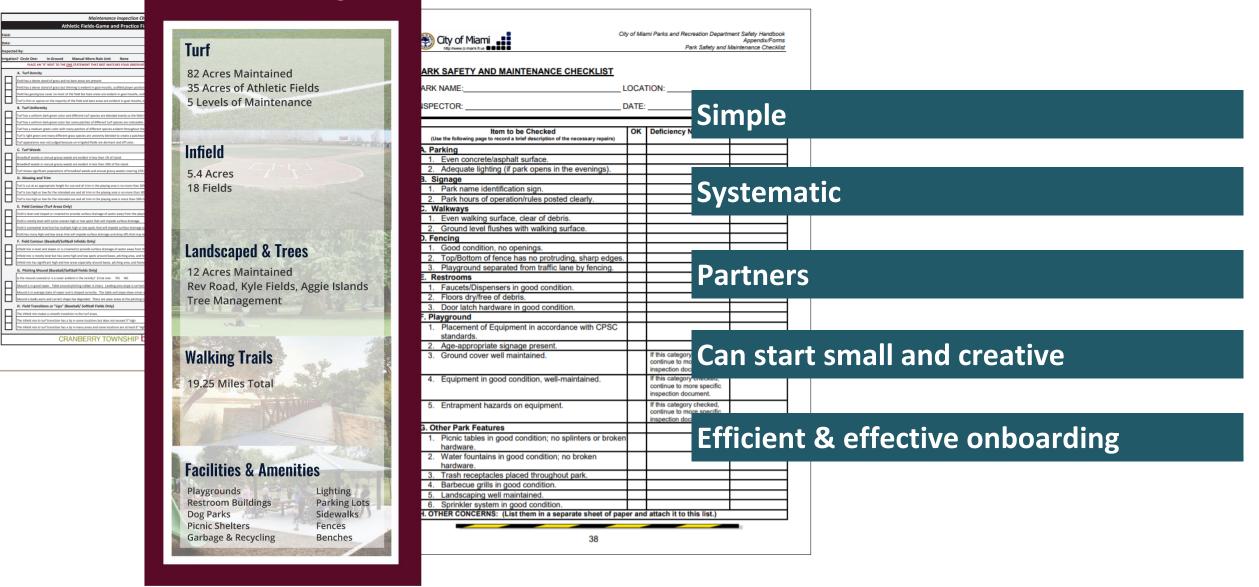
#### **Additional Components**

"We have established a color system (Green, Yellow, Red) that ranks our parks based on maintenance needs, amenities and current condition. We also use the color index to rate the condition of those amenities that are within the parks."

Our standards Green indicates that a particular park facility is at our highest level of care and the amenities are in good to new condition. Yellow indicates the park may be in need of some aesthetic repairs on various items, however they are at an acceptable level and could be maintained at that level based on age and appearance of amenities and the level of care provided. It would require new amenities and an increase in the level of care by adding human and capital resources to move the park to a GREEN designation and maintain it at that level. Repairs are done as necessary and/or when resources are available. All urgent items are addressed immediately.

(City of Rowlett)

#### **Maintenance Categories**





Group Discussion What are some easy ways you could incorporate CPTED into your park operations?

# Plan your work, and work you plan!

Other Planning Resources and Templates:

Parks-Maintenance-Guide (cranberrytownship.org)

Microsoft Word - 3B JS Park Maintenance Plan - attachment 1 (rowlett.tx.us)

Model of Efficiency | Operations | Parks and Recreation Magazine | NRPA

<u>2021-agency-performance-review final.pdf (nrpa.org)</u>

Scan the QR code for slides and access to related online classes.

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