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and Open Space
Master Plan
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Executive Summary



Purpose and Methodology

Purpose

ETC Institute administered a survey for the City of Benicia in their efforts to update the City's Parks, Trails, and Open Space Master Plan. The Master Plan is dependent upon input from the community to guide and prioritize the next generation of investments in the City's parks, trails, and open space system. Therefore, the purpose of the survey was to analyze the opinions of the community about parks and recreation facilities, amenities, communication, and how the Parks and Community Services Department can best meet the community's needs. Analysis will establish priorities for the future improvement of Parks and Recreation services and assist leaders in making decisions that best reflect the needs of the area.

Methodology

ETC Institute mailed a survey packet to a random sample of households in the City of Benicia, California. Each survey packet contained a cover letter, a copy of the survey, and a postage-paid return envelope. Households who received the survey were given the option of returning the survey by mail or completing it online at beniciasurvey.org.

To encourage participation, approximately ten days after the surveys were mailed, ETC Institute sent e-mails/text message reminders to households. The e-mail/text contained a link to the online version of the survey to make it simple and convenient for households to complete. To prevent people who were not residents of the City from participating, everyone who completed the survey online were required to enter their home address prior to submitting the survey. ETC Institute then matched the addresses that were entered online with the addresses that were originally selected for the random sample. If the address from a survey completed online did not match one of the addresses selected for the sample, the online survey was not counted.



The goal was to obtain 400 completed surveys from respondents. A total of 448 surveys were collected.



The overall results for a sample of 448 surveys have a precision of at least +/- 4.5% at the 95% level of confidence.

This report contains:

- Charts showing the overall results of the survey (Section 1)
- Benchmark Analysis comparing the City's results to national results (Section 2)
- Priority Investment Ratings (PIR) Analysis that identifies priorities for facilities and amenities in the community (Section 3)
- Tabular Data showing the overall results for the questions on the survey (Section 4)
- A copy of the survey instrument (Section 5)



Amenity, Facility, and Park Needs and Priorities

Parks and Recreation Facility/Amenity Needs. Households were asked to identify if they had a need for 35 facilities/amenities and rate the percentage of how well their needs for each were currently being met. The following three parks and recreation facilities/amenities had the highest percentage of households with the greatest unmet needs.

- Shade structures – 5,392 households (47.7%)
- Outdoor amphitheater/outdoor performing arts venue – 5,367 households (47.5%)
- Restrooms – 5,018 households (44.4%)

The percentage of households that have unmet needs for each of the 35 facilities/amenities is shown in Figure 1 below.

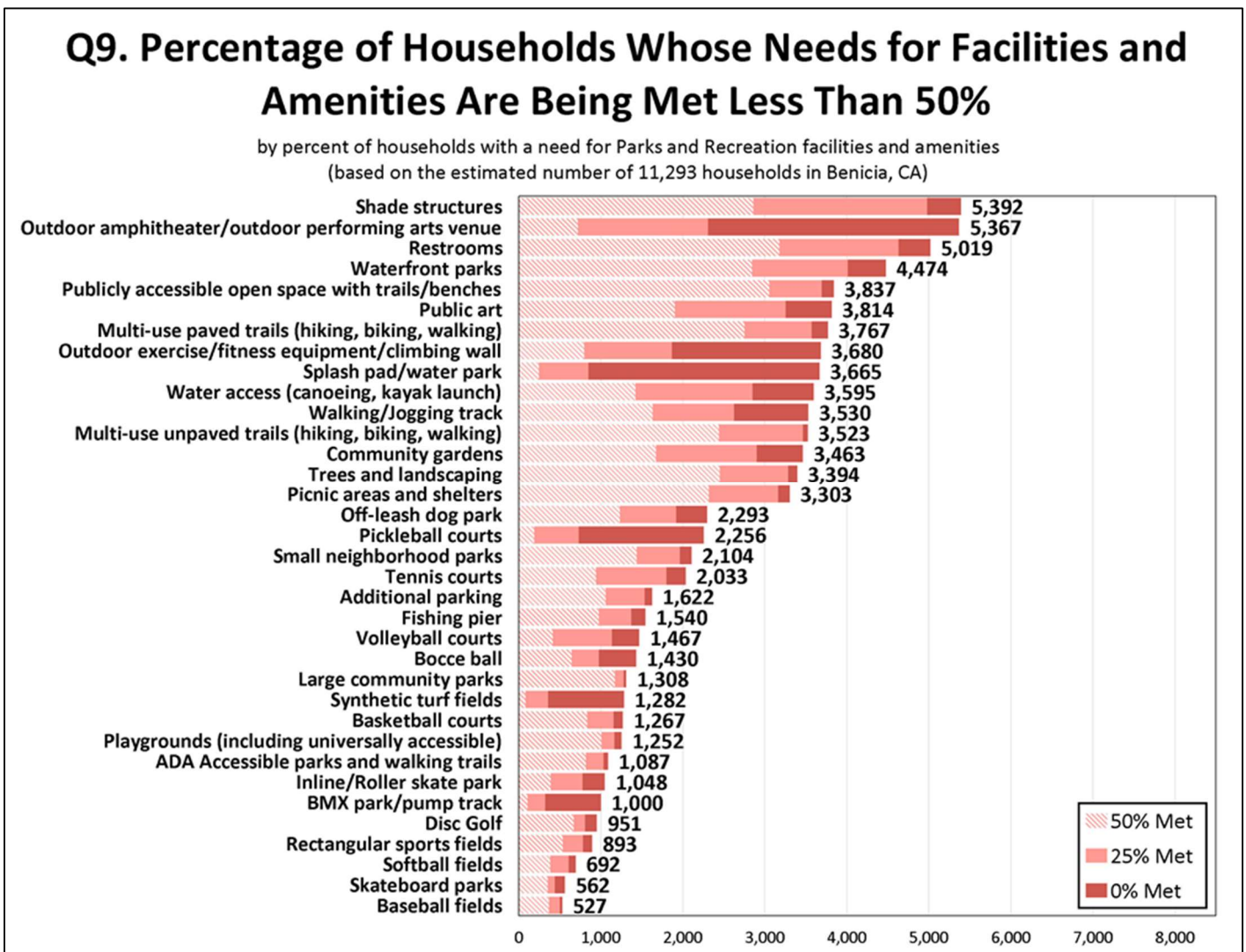


Figure 1: Percent of Households with Unmet Facility and Amenity Needs

Amenity, Facility, and Park Needs and Priorities



Importance of Parks and Recreation Facilities/Amenities. In addition to assessing the needs for each facility and amenity, ETC Institute also evaluated the importance that households placed on each one. Based on the sum of households' top four choices, the three most important parks and recreation facilities and amenities are listed below.

- Multi-use paved trails for hiking, biking, and walking (33.2%)
- Multi-use unpaved trails for hiking, biking, and walking (26.6%)
- Restrooms (24.9%)

The percentage of households who selected each facility/amenity as one of their top four choices is depicted in Figure 2 below.

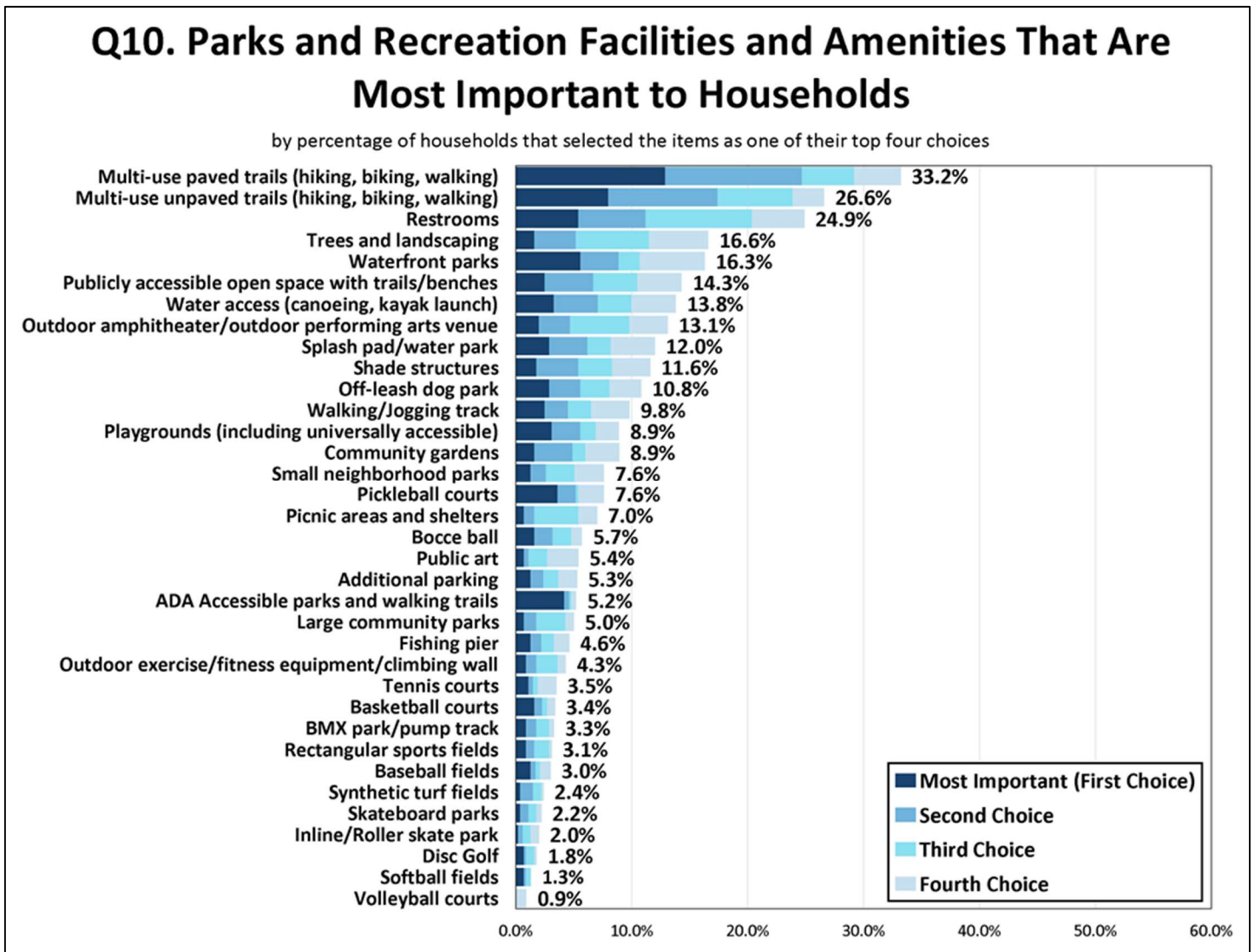


Figure 2: Importance of Various Facilities and Amenities to Households

Amenity, Facility, and Park Needs and Priorities



Priorities for Parks and Recreation Facility and Amenity Investments. The Priority Investment Rating (PIR) was developed by ETC Institute to provide organizations with an objective tool for evaluating the priority that should be placed on Parks and Recreation investments. The Priority Investment Rating (PIR) equally weighs (1) the importance that households place on each facility/amenity/program and (2) how many households have unmet needs for the facility/amenity/program. Details regarding the methodology for this analysis are provided in Section 3 of the Findings Report. Based on the Priority Investment Rating (PIR), the ten facilities and amenities that were rated as **high priorities** for investment are listed in the chart to the right.

The Priority Investment Ratings for each facility and amenity is shown in the chart below (Figure 3).

Priorities for Investment:

- Multi-use paved trails (PIR=169.9)
- Restrooms (PIR=168.1)
- Multi-use unpaved trails (PIR=145.4)
- Outdoor amphitheater/outdoor performing arts venue (PIR=139.0)
- Shade structures (PIR=134.9)
- Waterfront parks (PIR=132.1)
- Publicly accessible open spaces with trails and benches (PIR=114.2)
- Trees and landscaping (PIR=112.9)
- Water access for canoeing, kayak launch (PIR=108.2)
- Splash pad/water park (PIR=104.1)

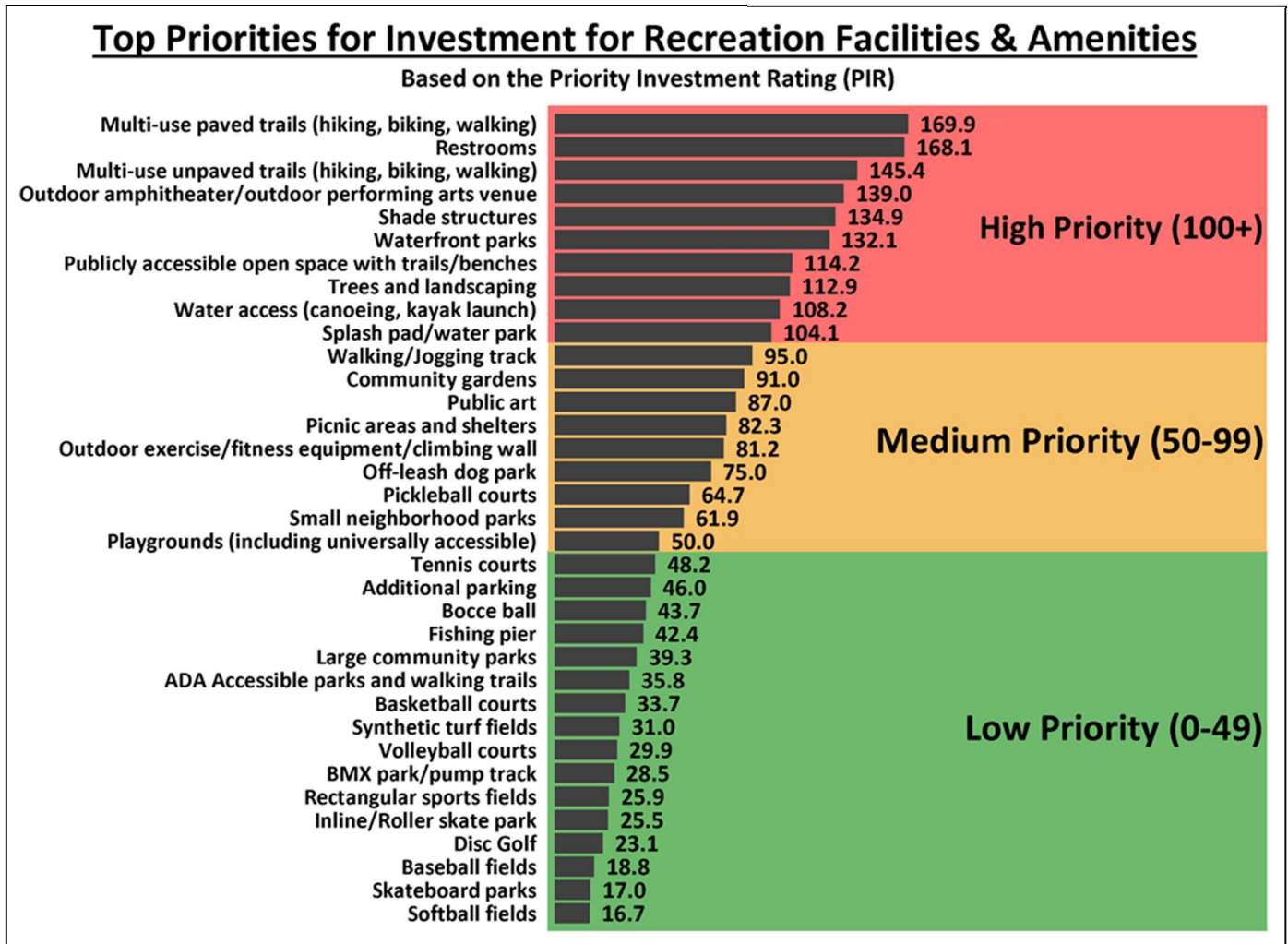


Figure 3: Priority Investment Ratings (PIR) for Facilities and Amenities

Additional Findings



- Households were asked to rate their level of support for the City of Benicia completing specific trail projects. The project that received the highest level of support (83.5%) from households and 50.2% indicating they think it should be the highest priority for the City, was the shoreline pathway and shared alignment of the Carquinez Strait Scenic Loop Trail, from Benicia-Martinez Bridge to Downtown Waterfront to Benicia State Recreation Area.
- The following actions that the City could take to improve the parks, trails, and open space system, had the highest percentage of support from households:
 - Maintain and reinvest in park walking paths (81.7%)
 - Improve existing park restrooms (80.1%)
 - Improve/expand the waterfront parks (79.0%)
 - Develop new trails (78.8%)
 - Invest in tree planting and maintenance (77.5%)
 - Improve/expand the existing trail system (75.9%)
 - Restore barren planting areas (75.2%)
- Of these actions, the following were the top four that households indicated they would be most willing to fund:
 - Improve existing park restrooms (28.8%)
 - Improve/expand the existing trail system (28.4%)
 - Improve/expand the waterfront parks (27.9%)
 - Develop new trails (26.4%)
- 78.2% of households would like to have more walking/hiking trails in the City
- 80.9% indicated they would use trails to get to natural areas and open space and 75.1% of households indicated they would use trails to get to waterfront parks
- 70.8% of households are supportive of a new Parks, Landscape, and Lighting District parcel assessment to fund capital maintenance and the types of parks, and trail improvements that are most important to them; 15.4% are not sure and 13.8% are not supportive.
- Since the COVID-19/Coronavirus Pandemic, 69.8% of household's perception of the value of Benicia parks, trails, and open space has increased, 26.5% indicated there has not been a change, and only 3.6% indicated their perception of value has decreased.
- Households were asked, based on their perception of value, how would they want the City to fund future parks, trails, and open space needs. 54.1% indicated they would increase funding, 33.2% would maintain the existing funding levels, 1.6% would reduce funding, and 11.1% are not sure.

Additional Findings



- 95.3% of households have visited City parks/trails during the last two years
- Of these households, 73.3% visited the parks/trails a minimum of once a week, 17.7% visited one to three times a month, and 9.0% less than once a month.
- 82.2% rated the physical condition of the parks/trails visited as excellent or good; 15.7% rated them as fair and 2.1% rated the condition as poor.
- At least 90.0% of households agree with the following statements about the potential benefits of the City's parks, trails, and open space system:
 - Makes Benicia a more desirable place to live (95.2%)
 - Improves mental health and reduces stress (91.5%)
 - Improves physical health and fitness (90.9%)
 - Preserves open space and protects the environment (90.3%)
 - *Less than half (38.1%) of households agree with the statement that the City's parks, trails, and open space system provides jobs/professional development for youth*
- The top three reasons that prevent households from using City parks or trails more often are the lack of restrooms (31.3%), not aware of parks' or trails' locations (24.1%), and lack of features they want to use (20.1%).
- Majority of households use friends and neighbors (67.6%) and The Activity Guide (54.9%) to learn about City parks, trails, and programs. Of the ways the City communicates to households about parks, trails, and programs, 45.5% most prefer the City to use The Activity Guide and 44.7% most prefer the City to use the City's website.

Conclusion

To ensure that the City of Benicia continues to meet the needs and expectations of the community, ETC Institute recommends that the Parks and Community Services Department sustain and/or improve the performance in areas that were identified as "high priorities" by the Priority Investment Rating (PIR). The ratings for Parks and Recreation facilities and amenities listed below.

Parks and Recreation Facilities and Amenities Rated as High Priority Items:

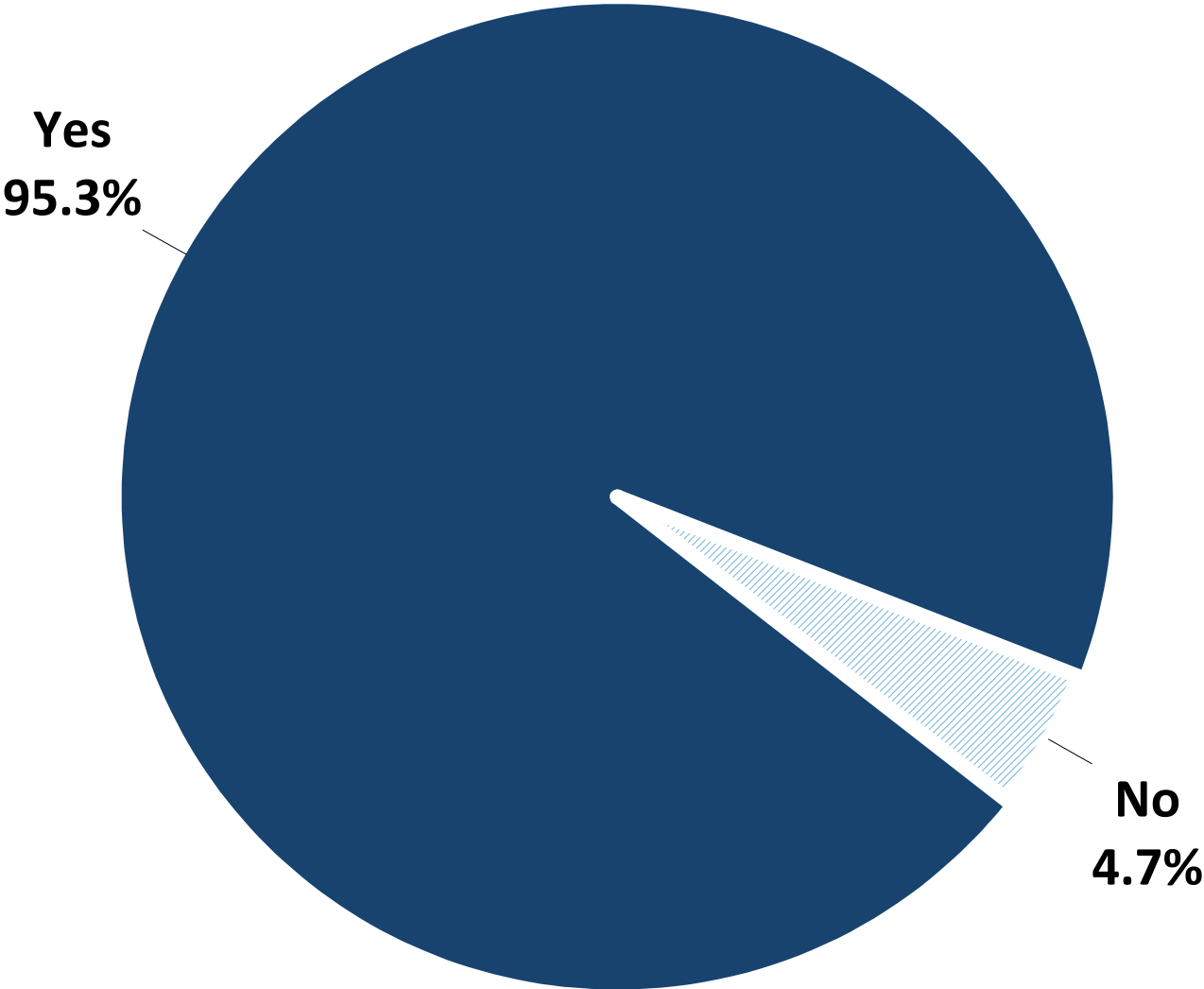
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Overall Results

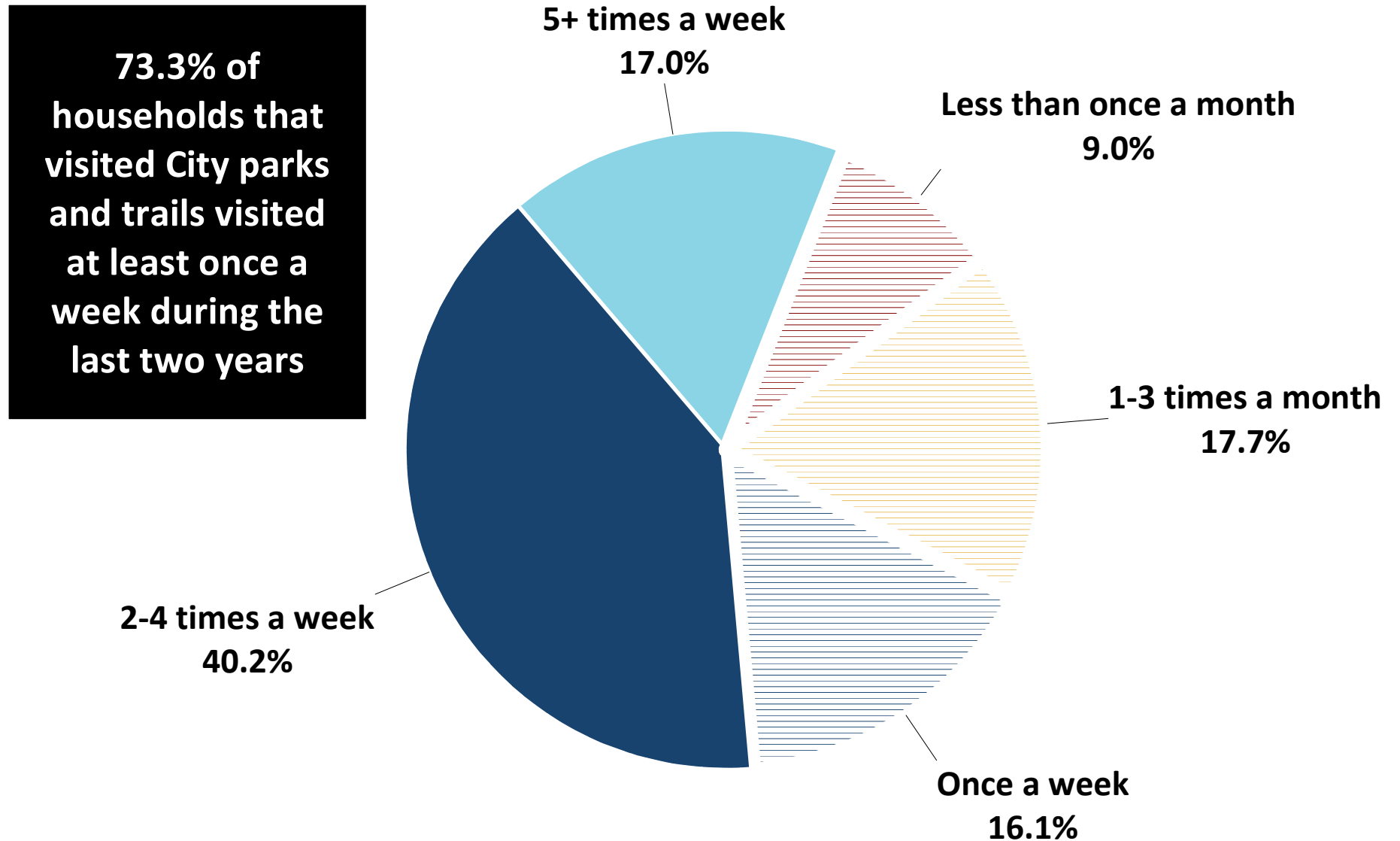
Q1. Have you or any member of your household visited any City of Benicia parks or trails during the last 2 years?

by percentage of households



Q1a. How often have you or any member of your household visited City of Benicia parks and trails during the last 2 years?

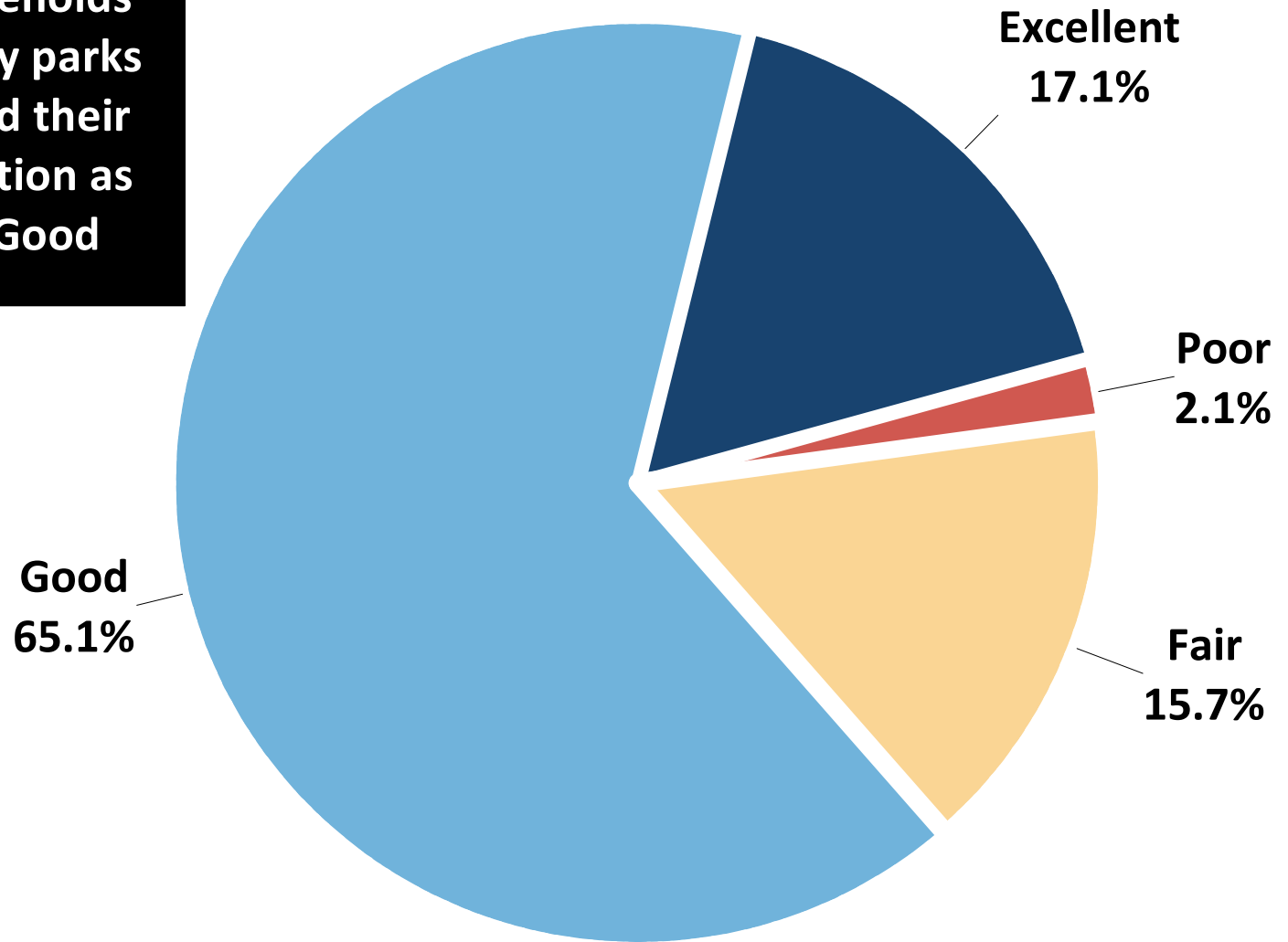
by percentage of households that answered "Yes" to Q1 (excluding don't know responses)



Q1b. Overall, how would you rate the physical condition of ALL the City of Benicia parks and trails you have visited?

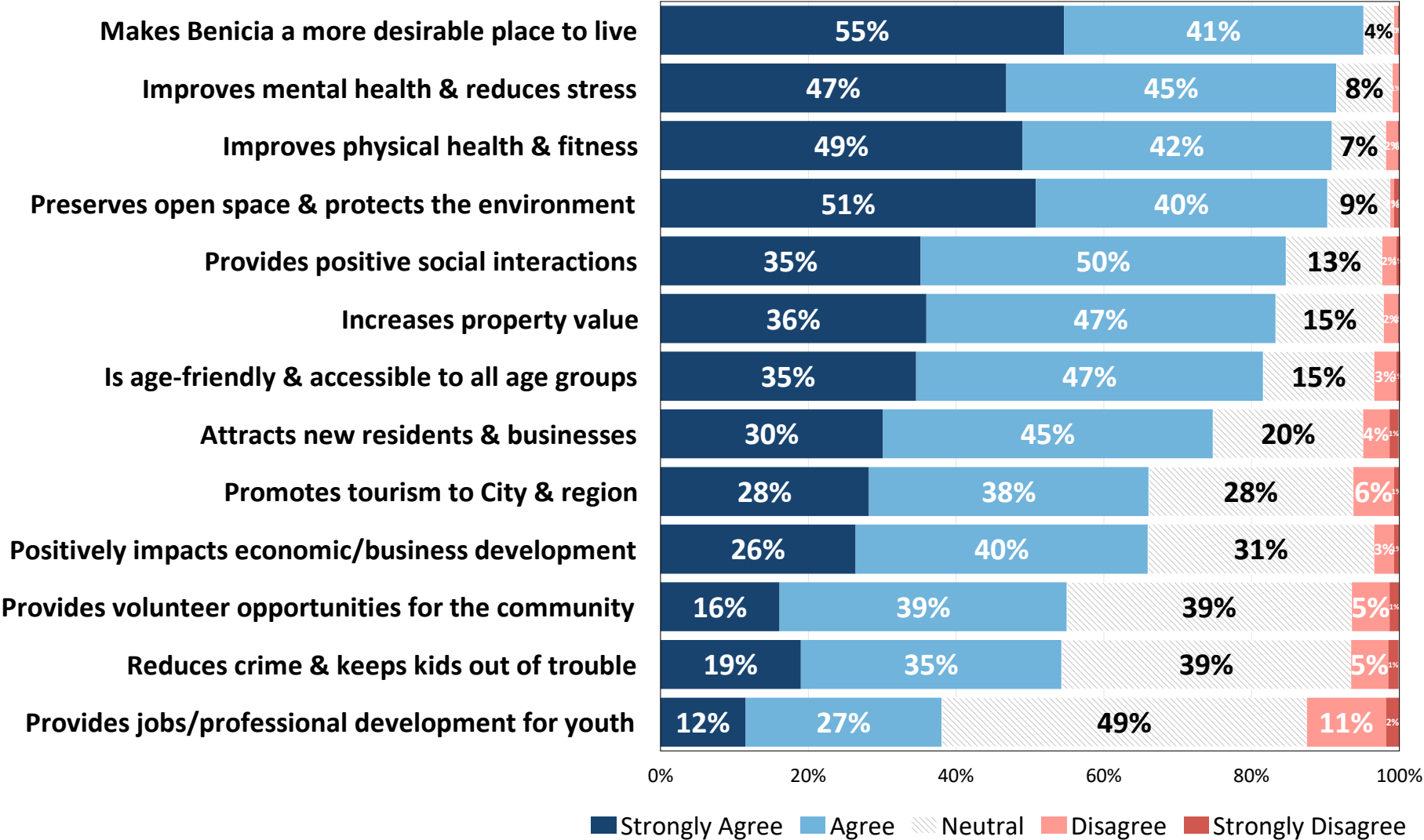
by percentage of households that answered "Yes" to Q1
(excluding don't know responses)

82.2% of households that visited City parks and trails rated their physical condition as Excellent or Good



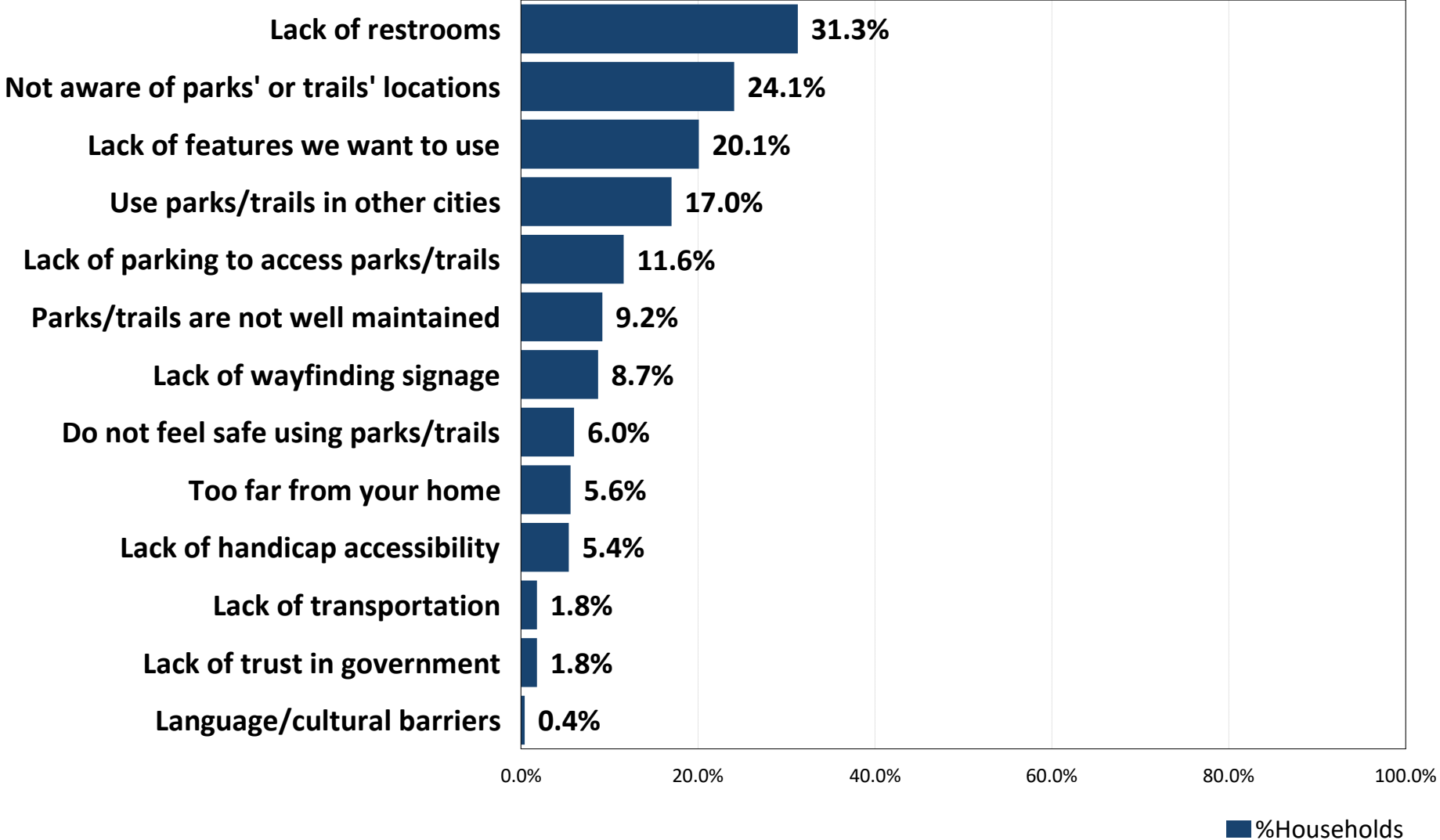
Q2. Please rate your level of agreement with the following statements about some potential benefits of the City of Benicia's parks, trails, and open space system.

by percentage of households, using a 5-point scale, where 5 means *strongly agree* and 1 means *strongly disagree* (excluding don't know responses)



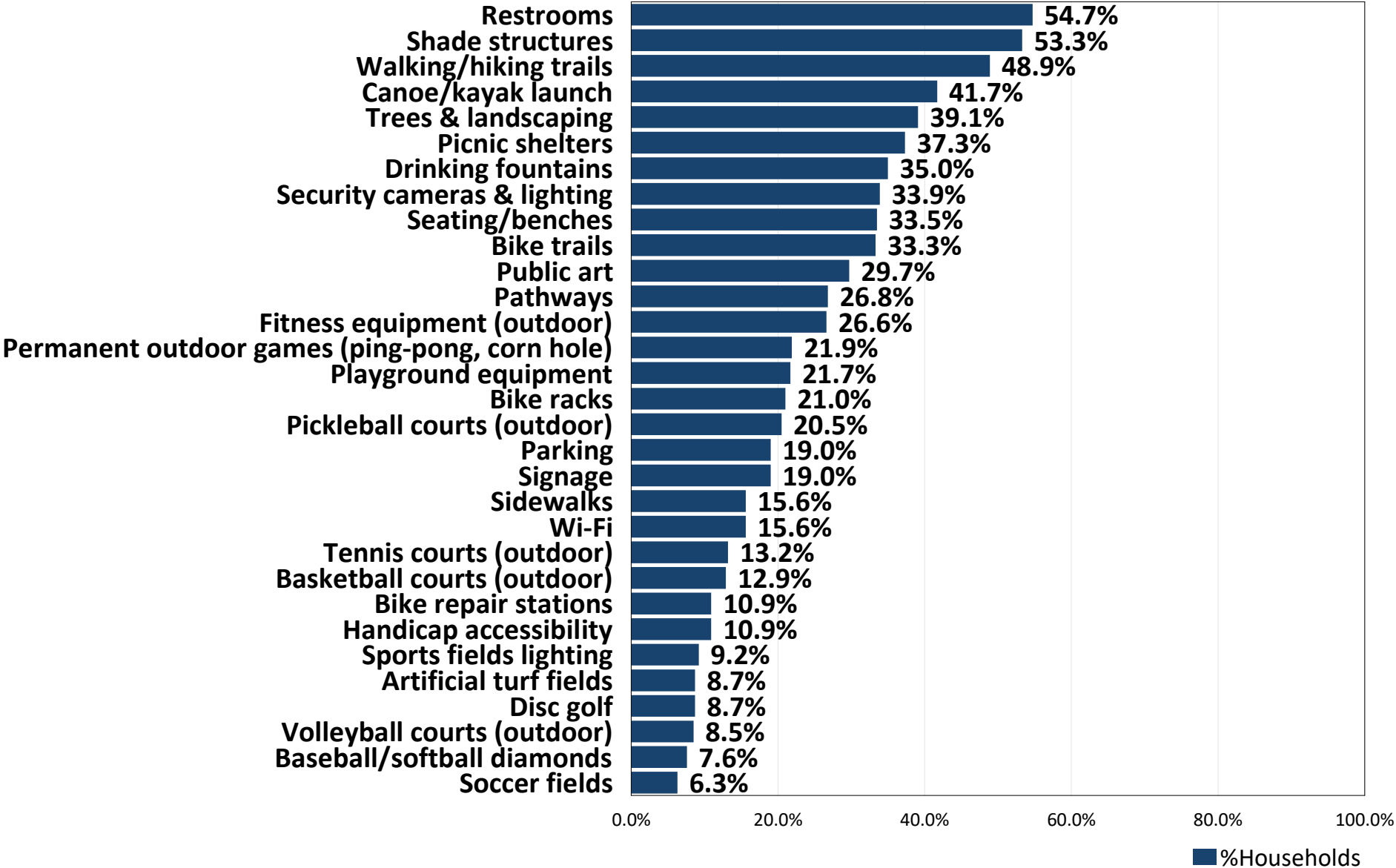
Q3. Please check all the reasons that prevent you or other members of your household from using City of Benicia parks or trails more often, before the COVID-19 Pandemic.

by percentage of households (multiple choices could be selected)



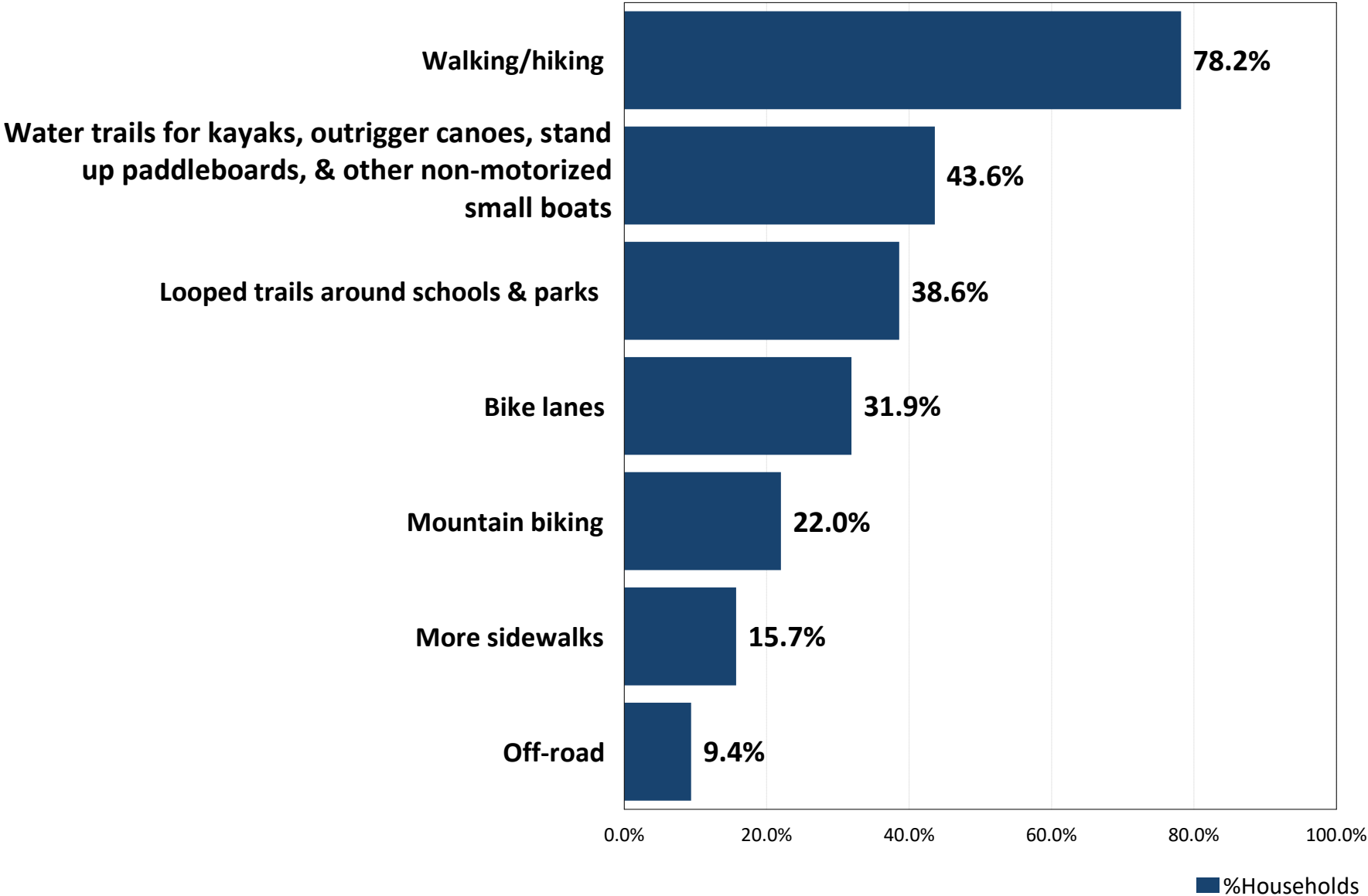
Q4. Please check all the upgrades or additions you would like to see at existing parks in the City of Benicia.

by percentage of households (multiple choices could be selected)



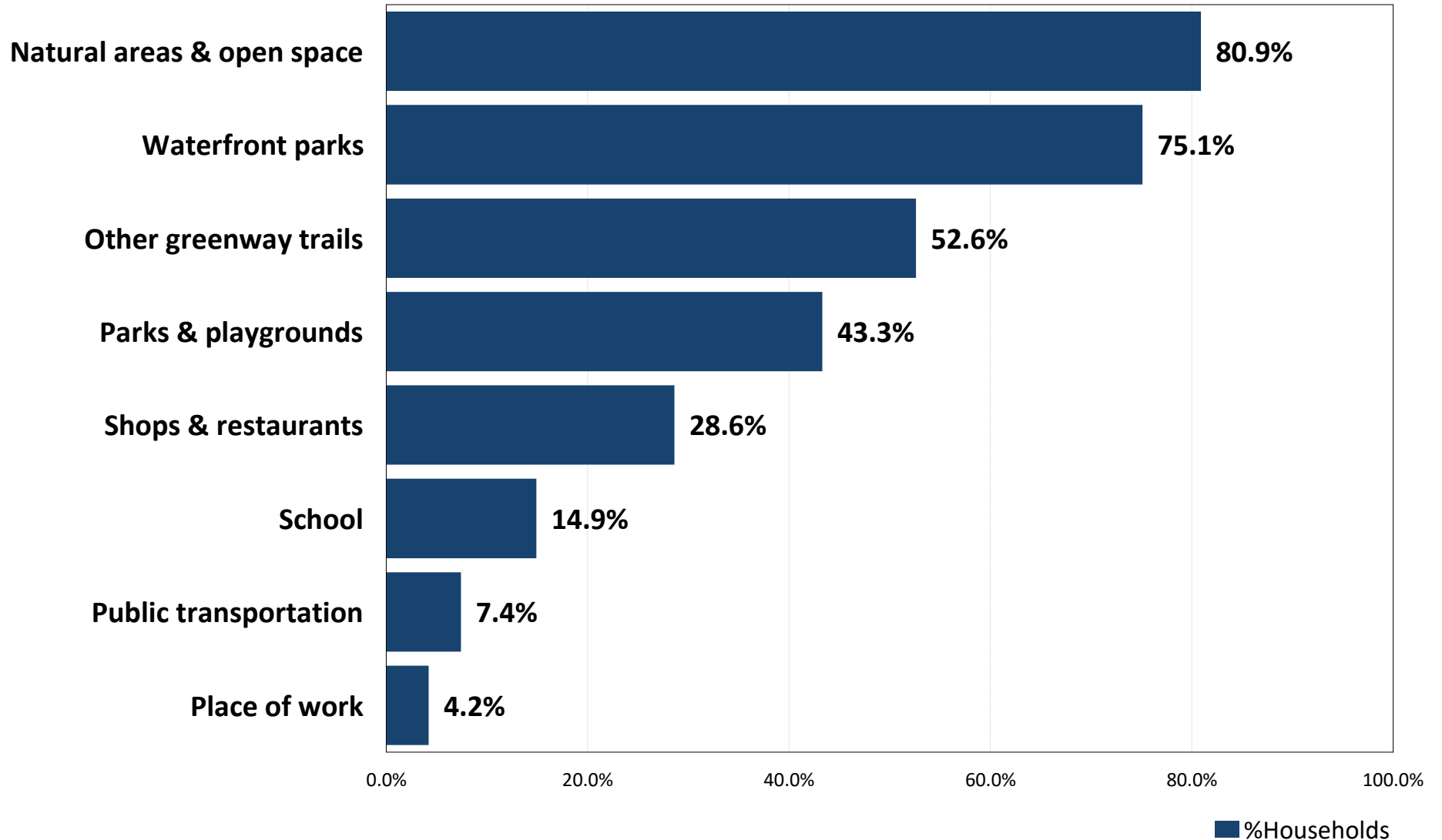
Q5. What types of trails would you like to have more of in the City of Benicia?

by percentage of households (excluding *none of these* responses) (multiple choices could be selected)



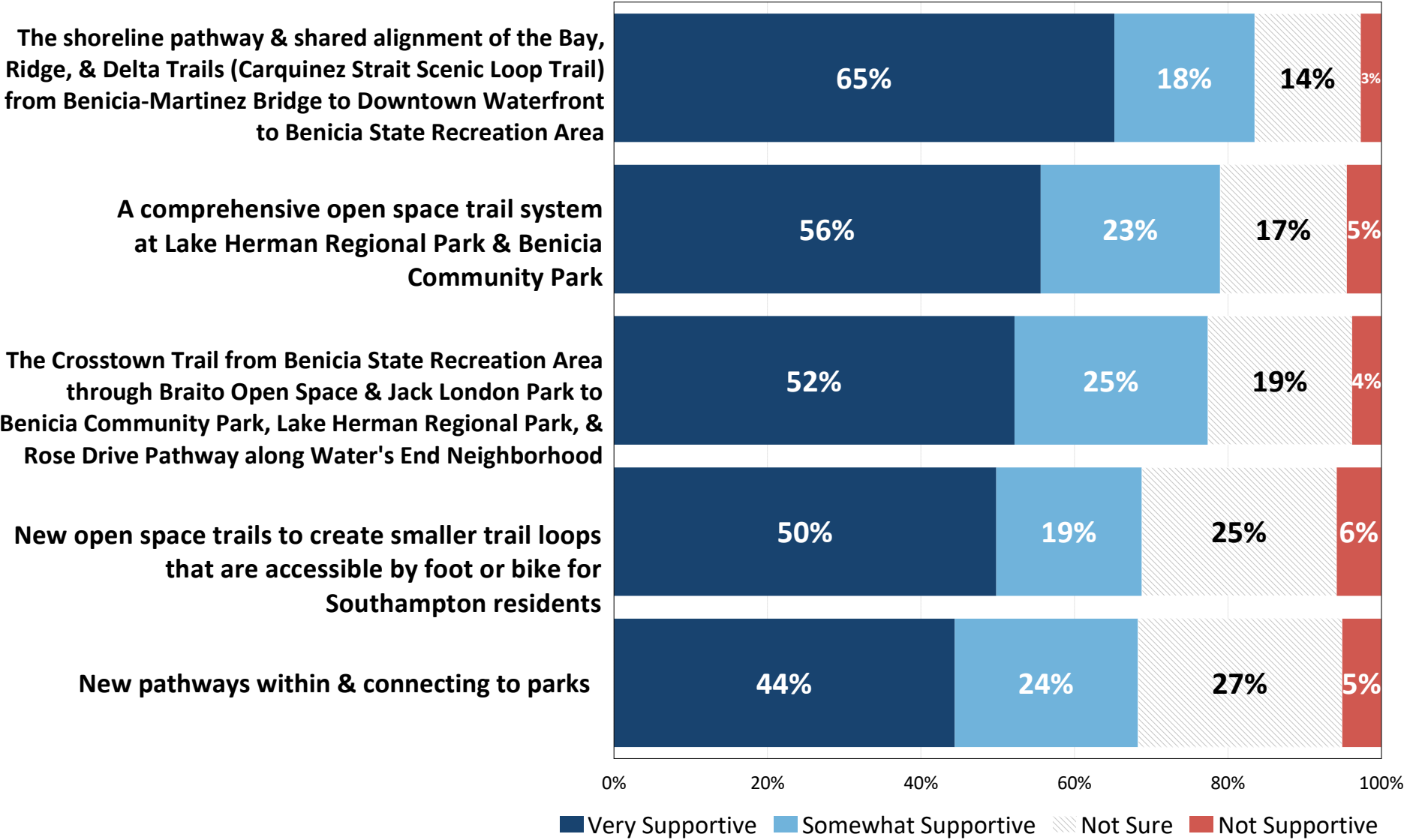
Q6. Please CHECK ALL of the following destinations that you or other members of your household would most like to get to by using trails.

by percentage of households (excluding *none* responses) (multiple choices could be selected)



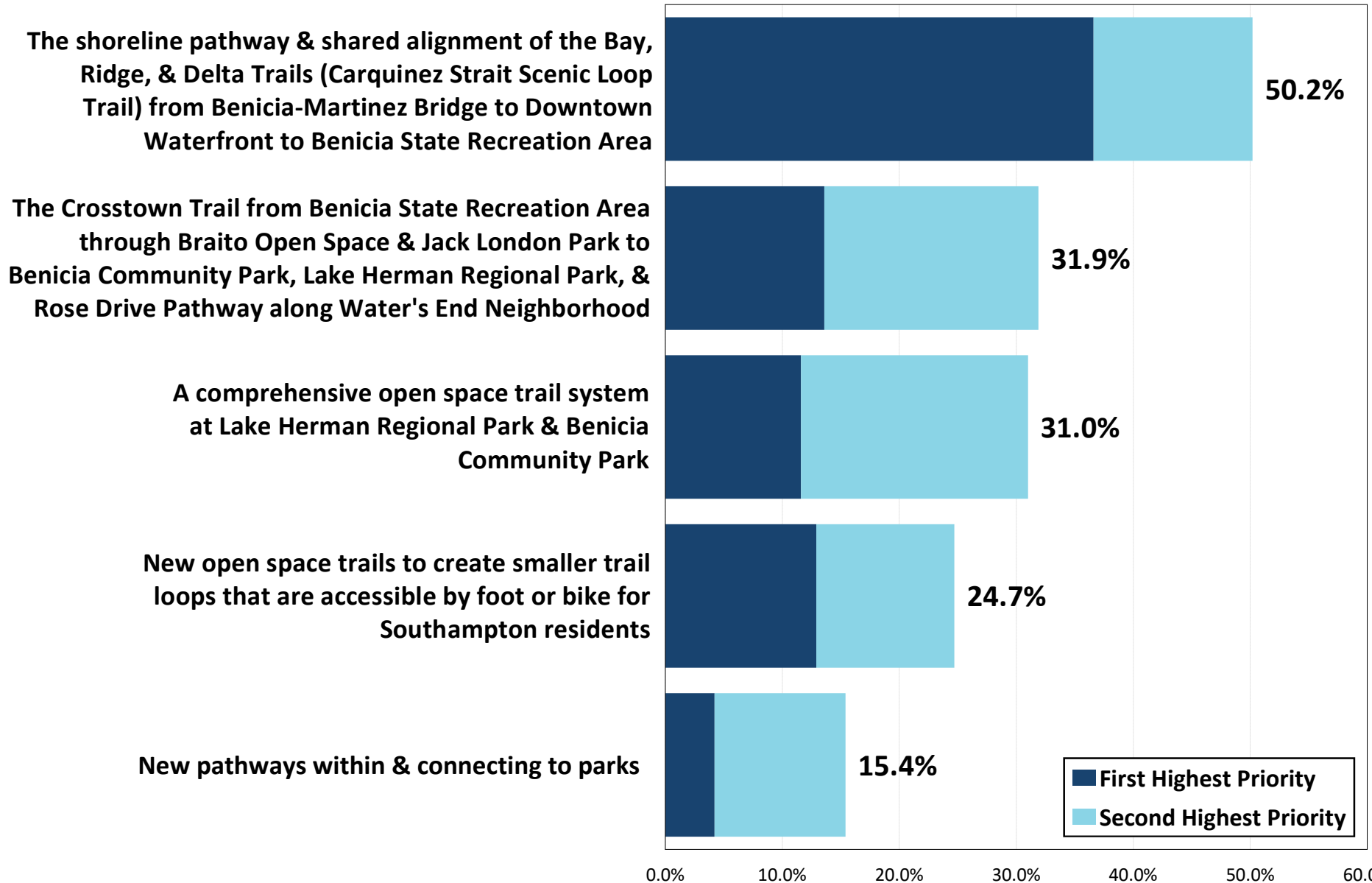
Q7. Please rate your level of support for the City completing each of the following trail projects.

by percentage of households, using a 4-point scale, where 4 means *very supportive* and 1 means *not supportive*



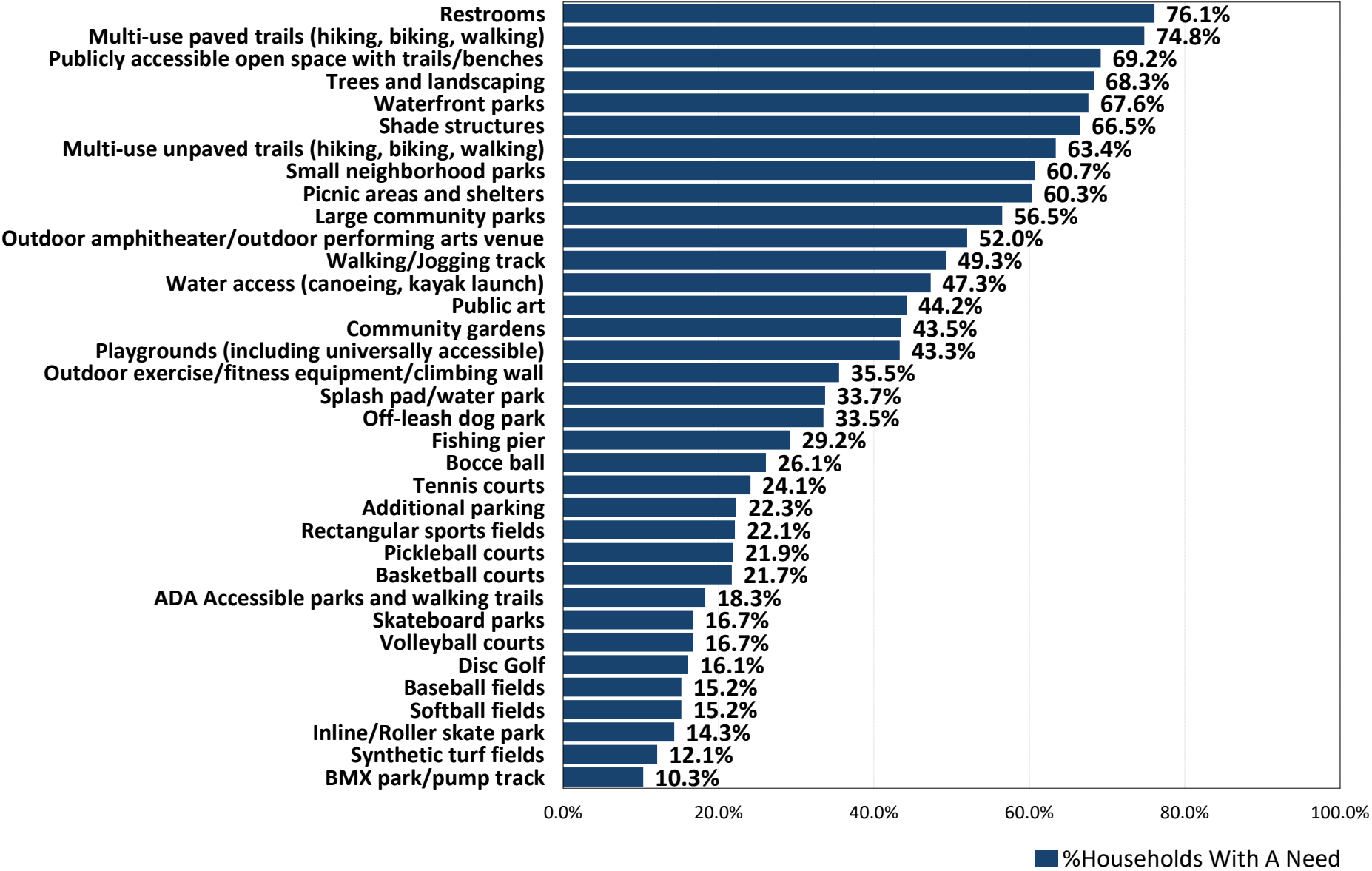
Q8. Which TWO improvements from the list in Question 7 should receive the highest priority from City leaders?

by percentage of households that selected the items as one of their top two choices



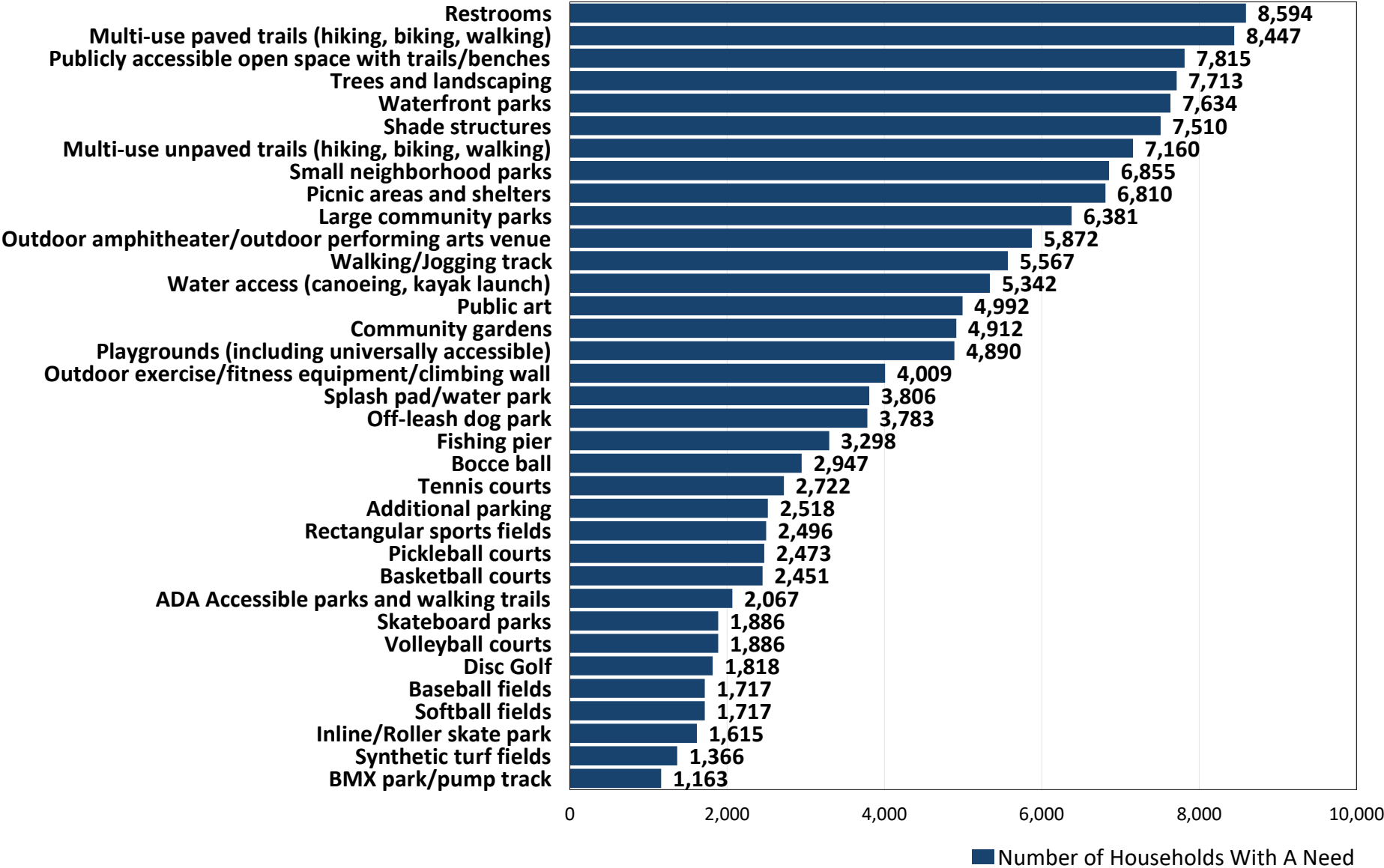
Q9. Percentage of Households That Have a Need for Parks and Recreation Facilities and Amenities

by percentage of households



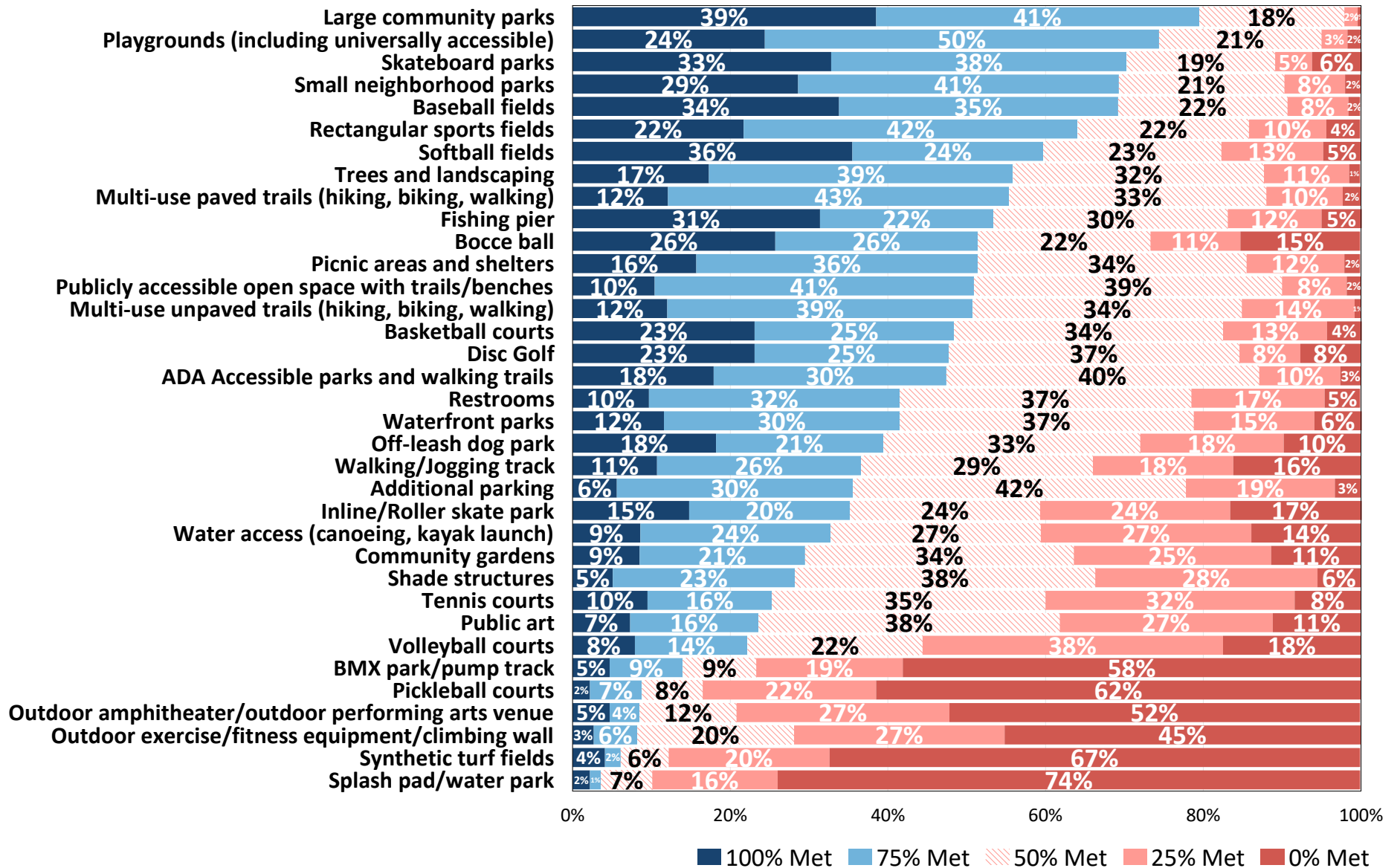
Estimated Number of Households That Have a Need for Parks and Recreation Facilities and Amenities

by estimated number of households that have a need for Parks and Recreation facilities/amenities in Benicia, CA
 (based on the estimated number of households in Benicia, CA = 11,293)



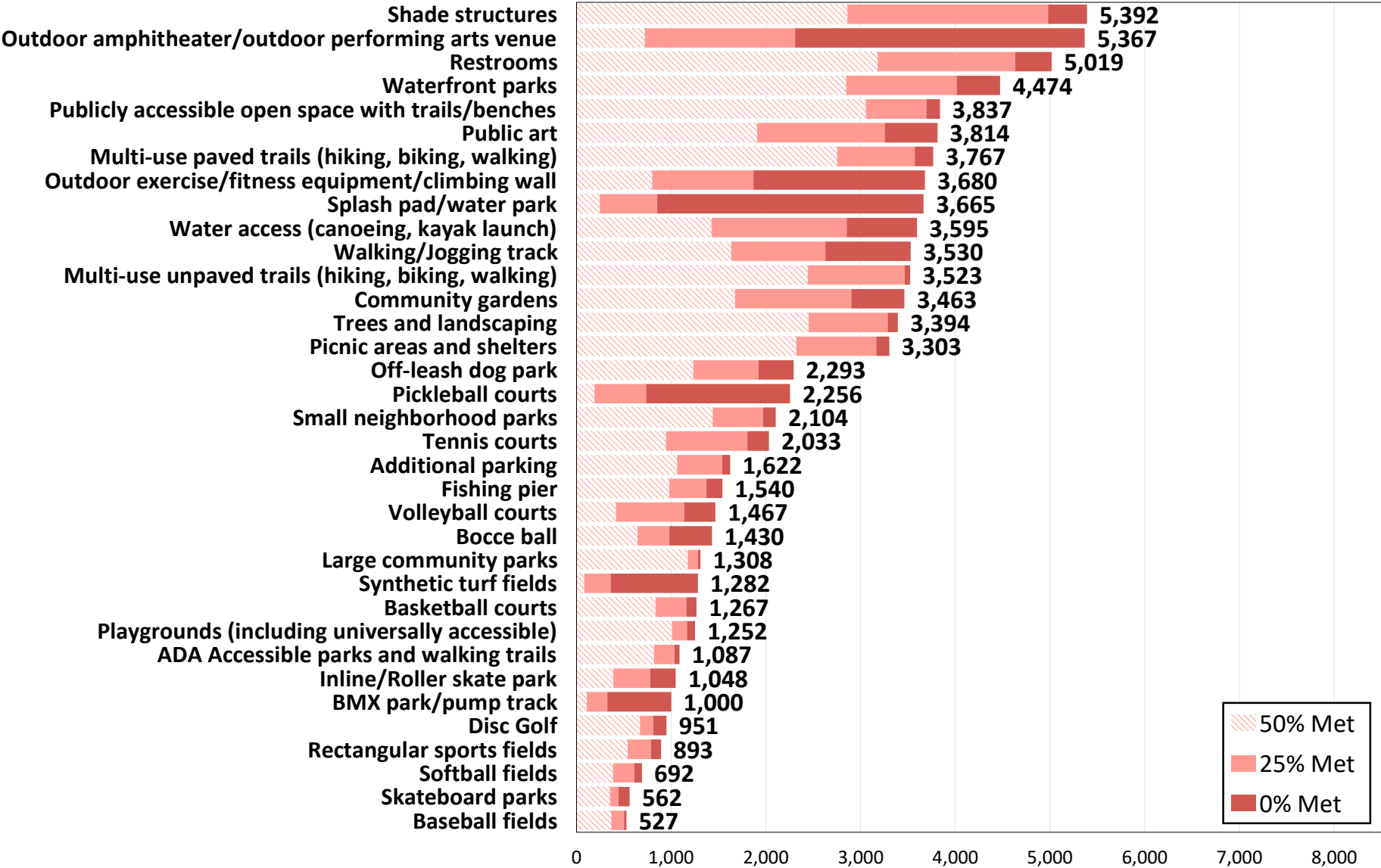
Q9. Level of Percent That Households' Needs for Facilities and Amenities Are Being Met

by percentage of households that have a need for parks and recreation facilities/amenities, using a 5-point scale, where 5 means 100% Met and 1 means 0% Met



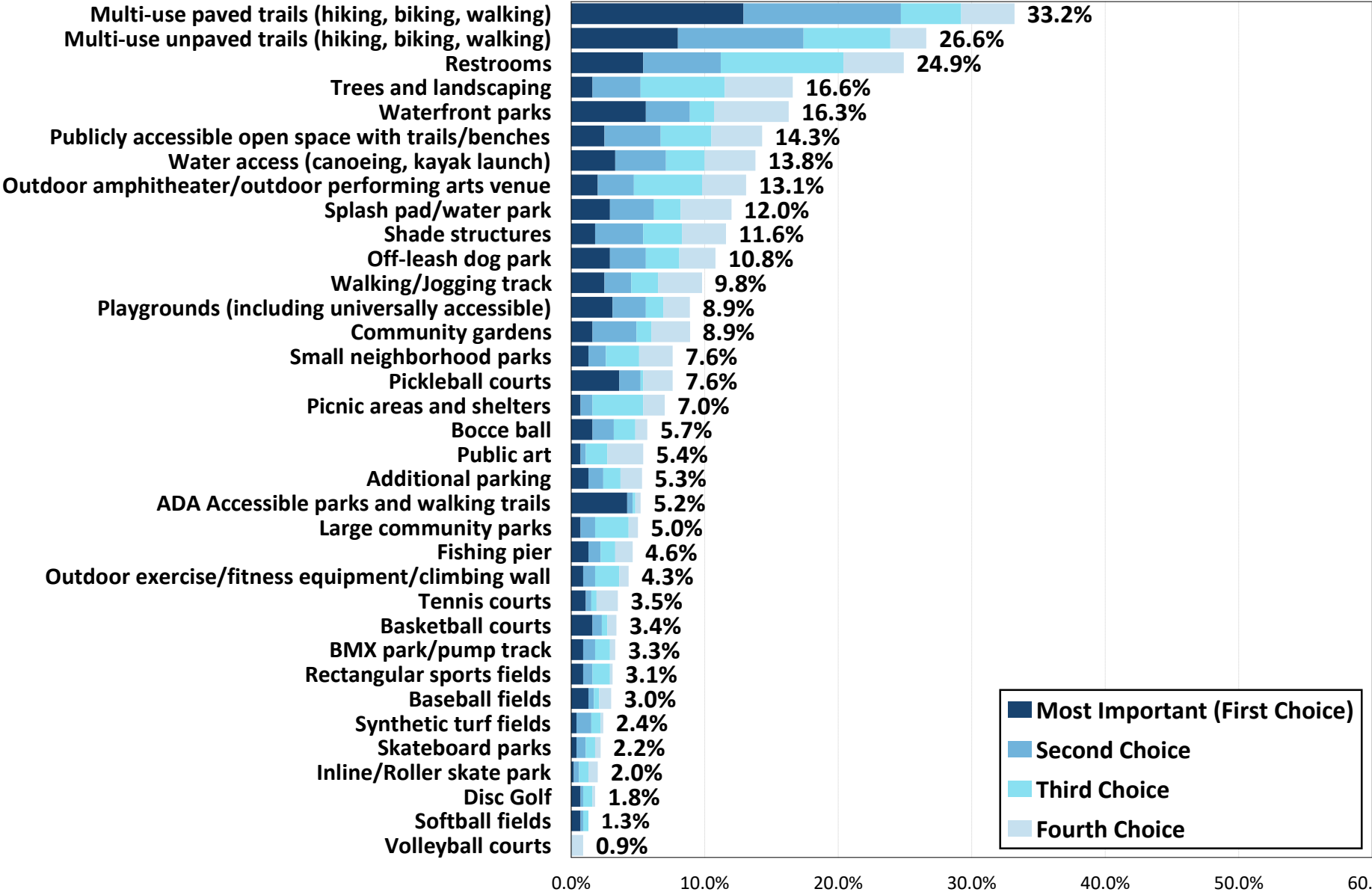
Q9. Percentage of Households Whose Needs for Facilities and Amenities Are Being Met Less Than 50%

by percent of households with a need for Parks and Recreation facilities and amenities
(based on the estimated number of 11,293 households in Benicia, CA)



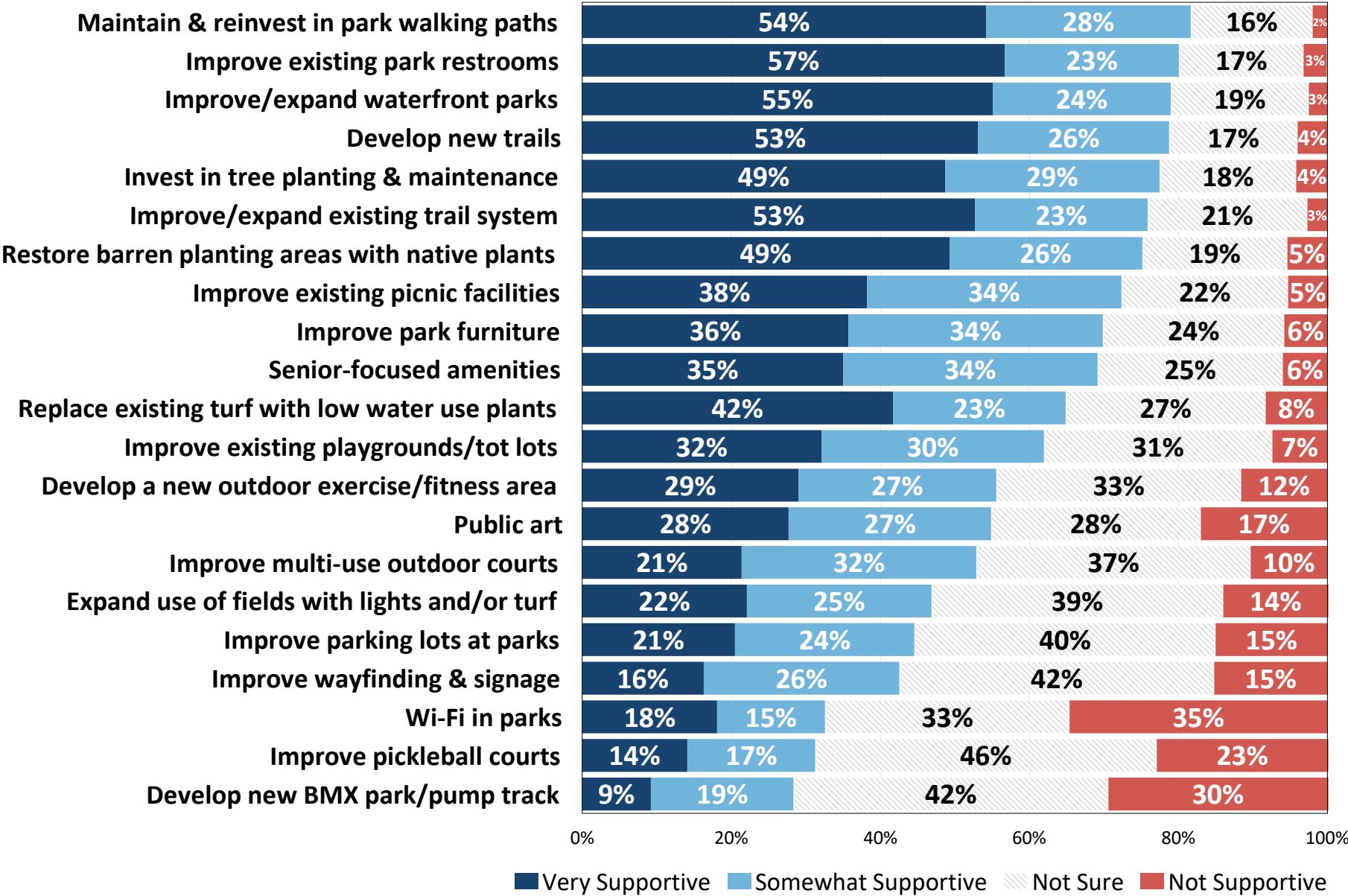
Q10. Parks and Recreation Facilities and Amenities That Are Most Important to Households

by percentage of households that selected the items as one of their top four choices



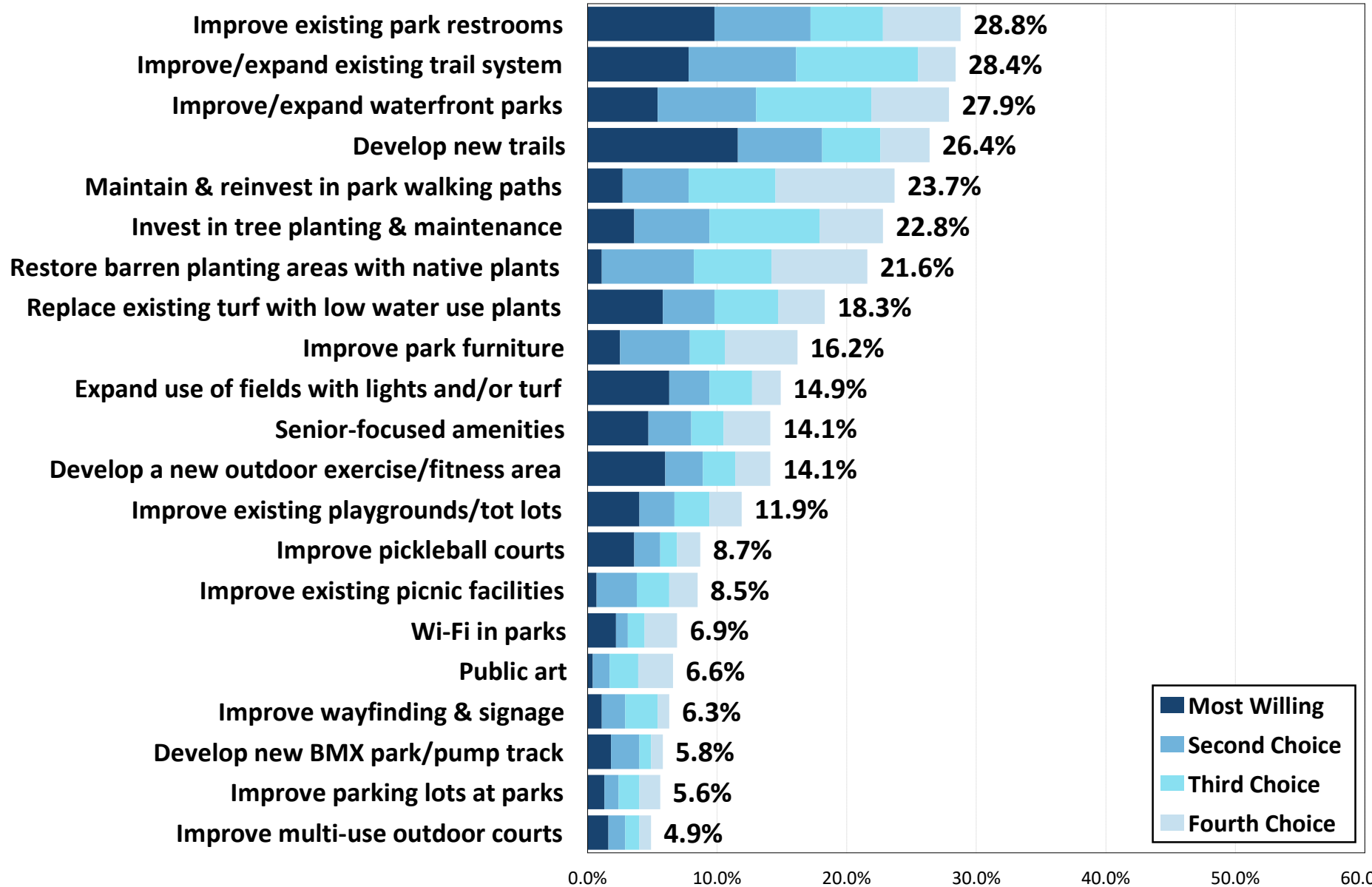
Q11. Please rate your level of support for each of the following actions the City of Benicia could take to improve the parks, trails and open space system.

by percentage of households, using a 4-point scale, where 4 means *very supportive* and 1 means *not supportive*



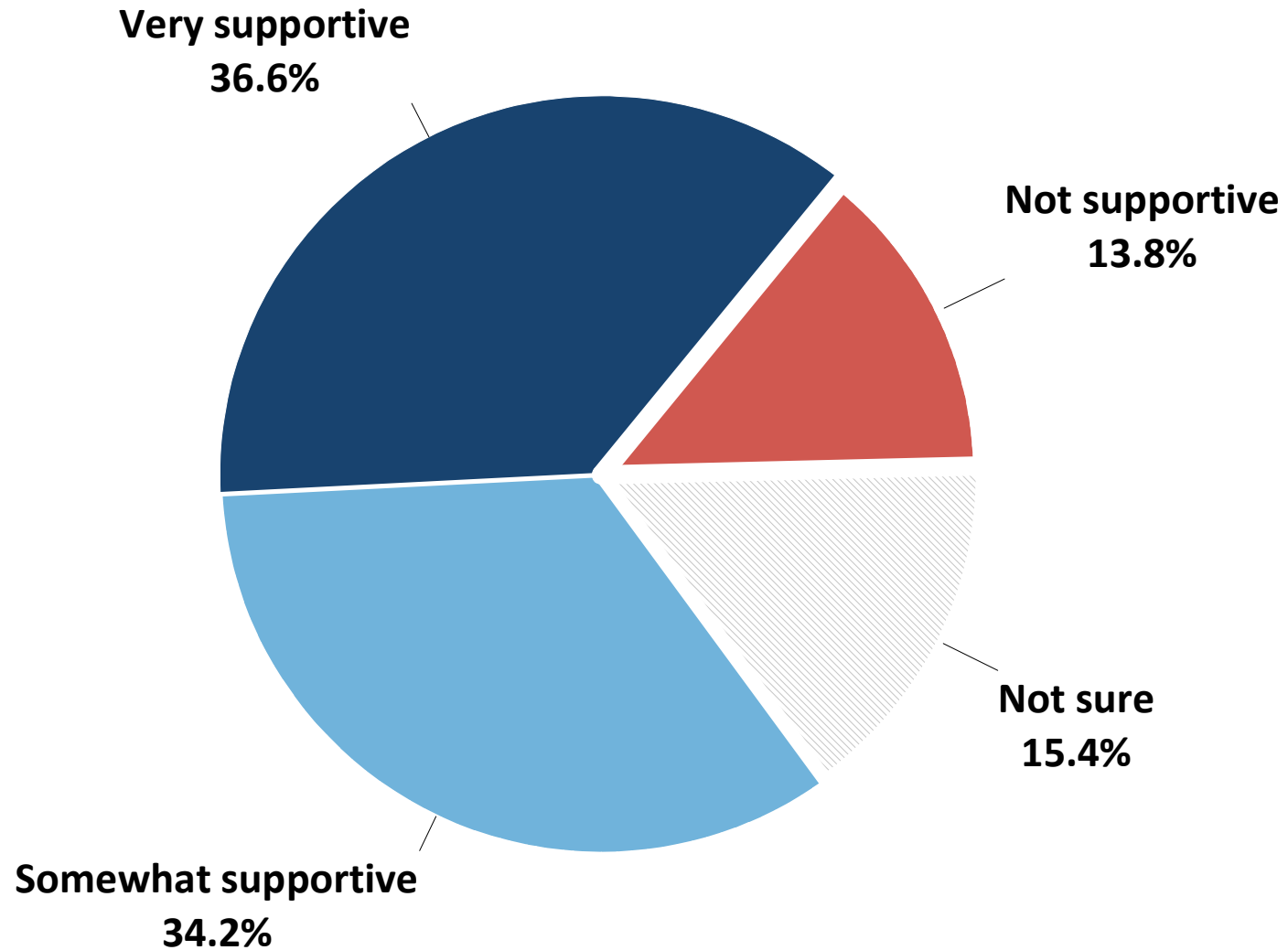
Q12. Which FOUR actions from the list in Question 11 would you be MOST WILLING to fund?

by percentage of households that selected the items as one of their top four choices



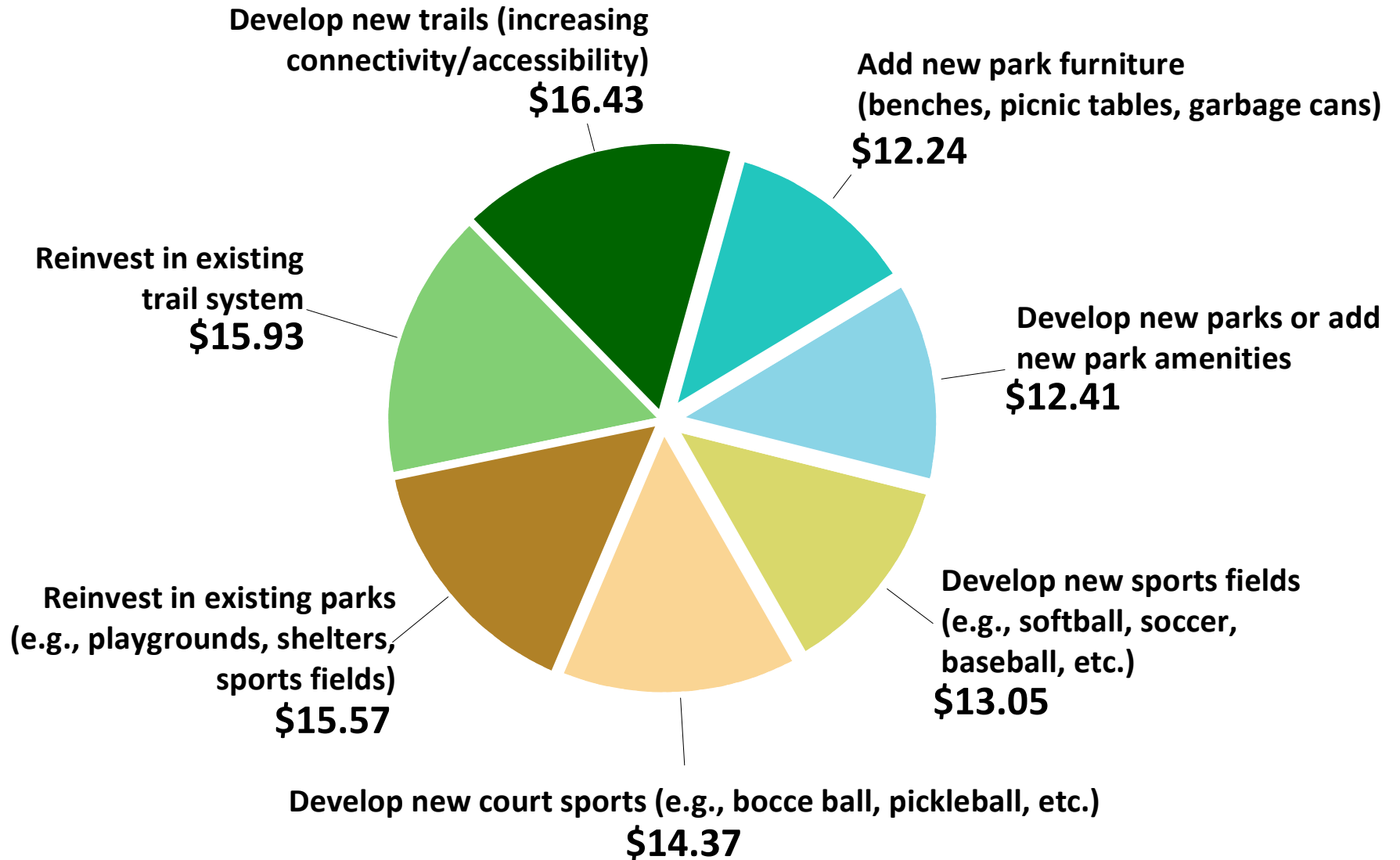
Q13. How supportive are you of a new Parks, Landscape & Lighting District parcel assessment to fund capital maintenance and the types of parks and trail improvements that you indicated in Question 12 are most important to you and your household?

by percentage of households



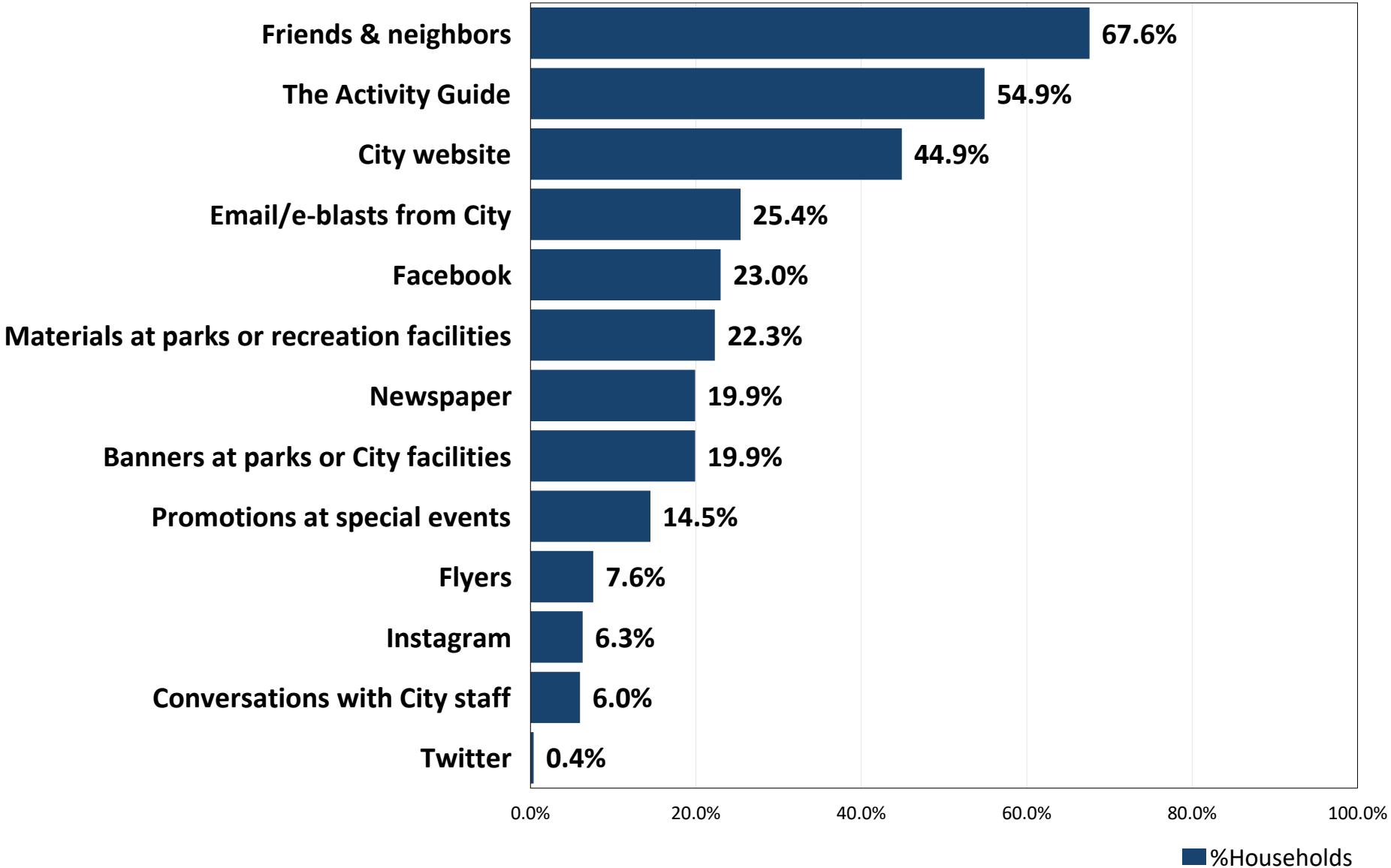
Q14. If you had an additional \$100, how would you allocate the funds among the types of amenities listed below?

by percentage of households



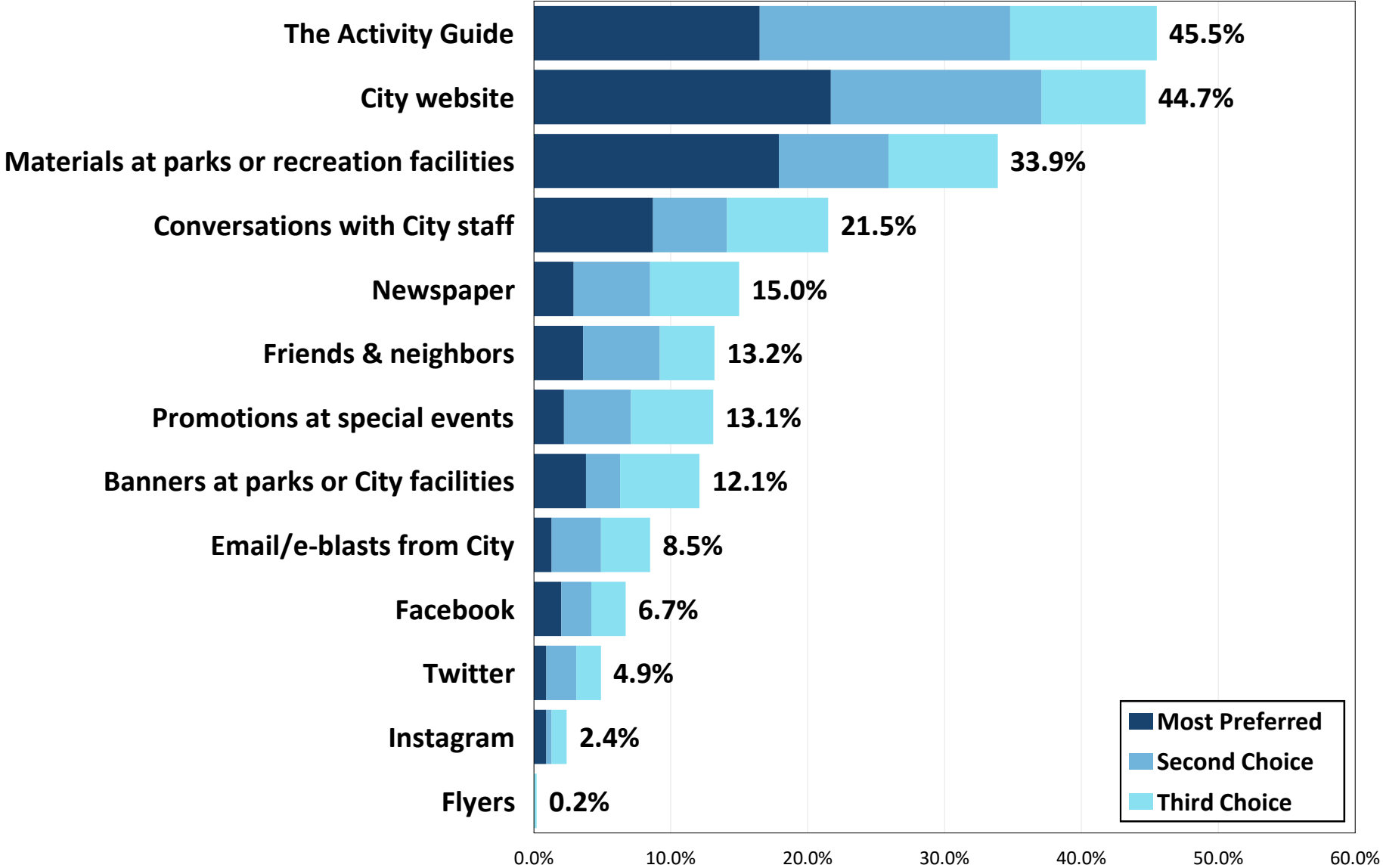
Q15. Please CHECK ALL of the ways you learn about City of Benicia parks, trails, and programs.

by percentage of households (multiple choices could be selected)



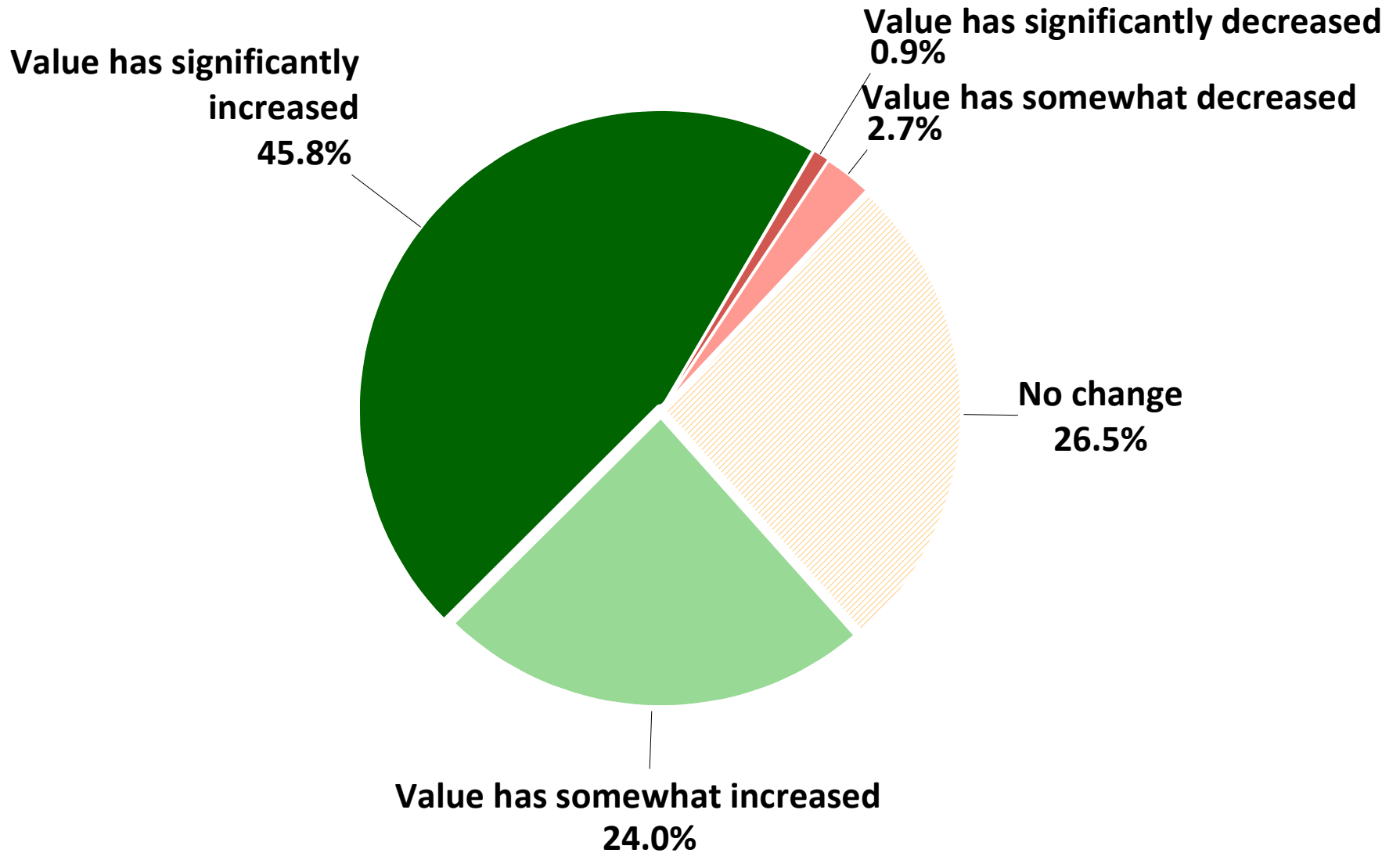
Q16. From the list in Question 15, which THREE methods of communication would you MOST PREFER the City use to communicate with you about parks, trails and programs?

by percentage of households that selected the items as one of their top three choices



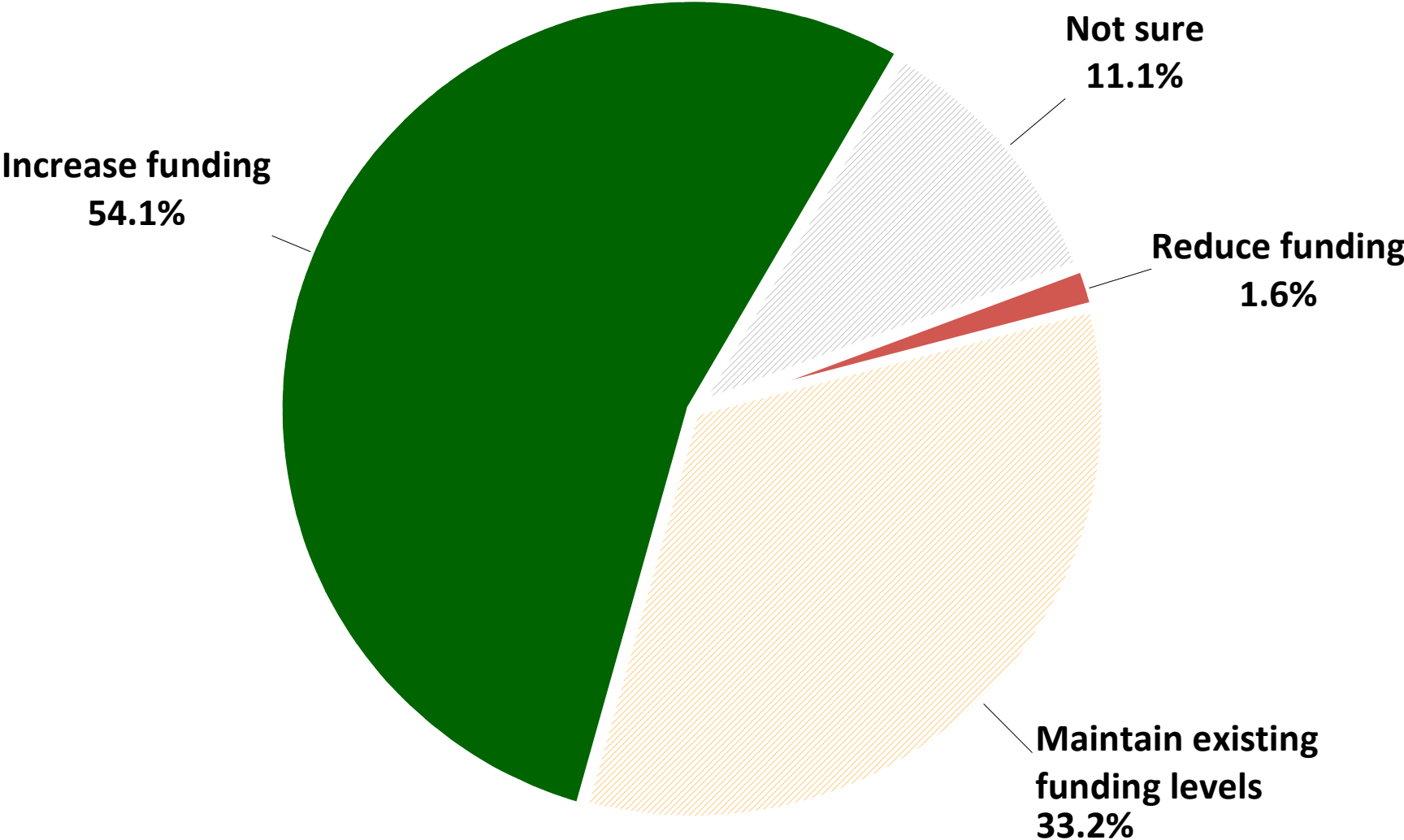
Q17. Given the recent COVID-19/Coronavirus Pandemic, how has your household's perception of the value of Benicia's parks, trails, and open space system changed?

by percentage of households (excluding *not provided* responses)



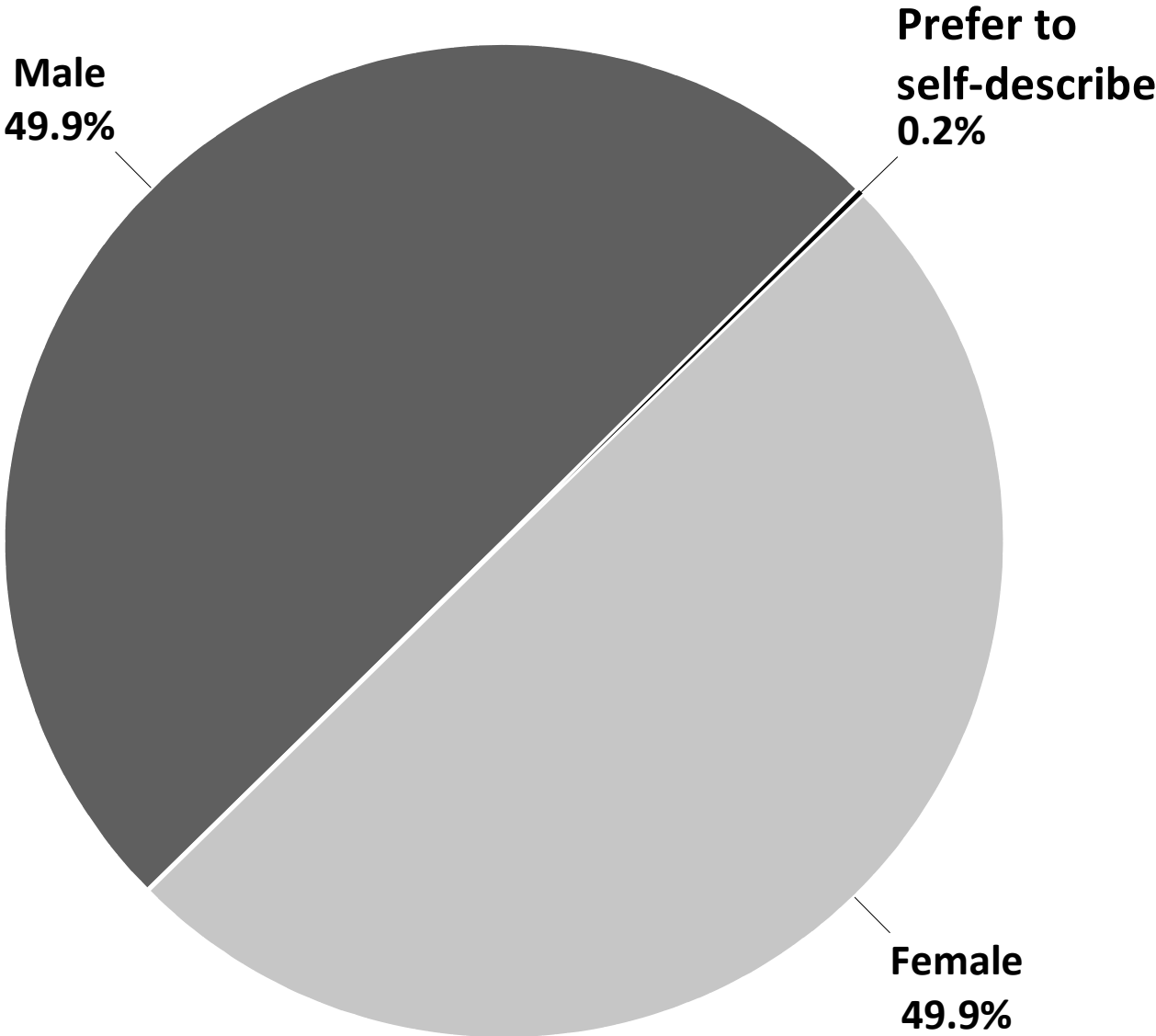
Q18. Based on your perception of value, how would you want the City to fund future parks, trails and open space needs?

by percentage of households (excluding *not provided* responses)



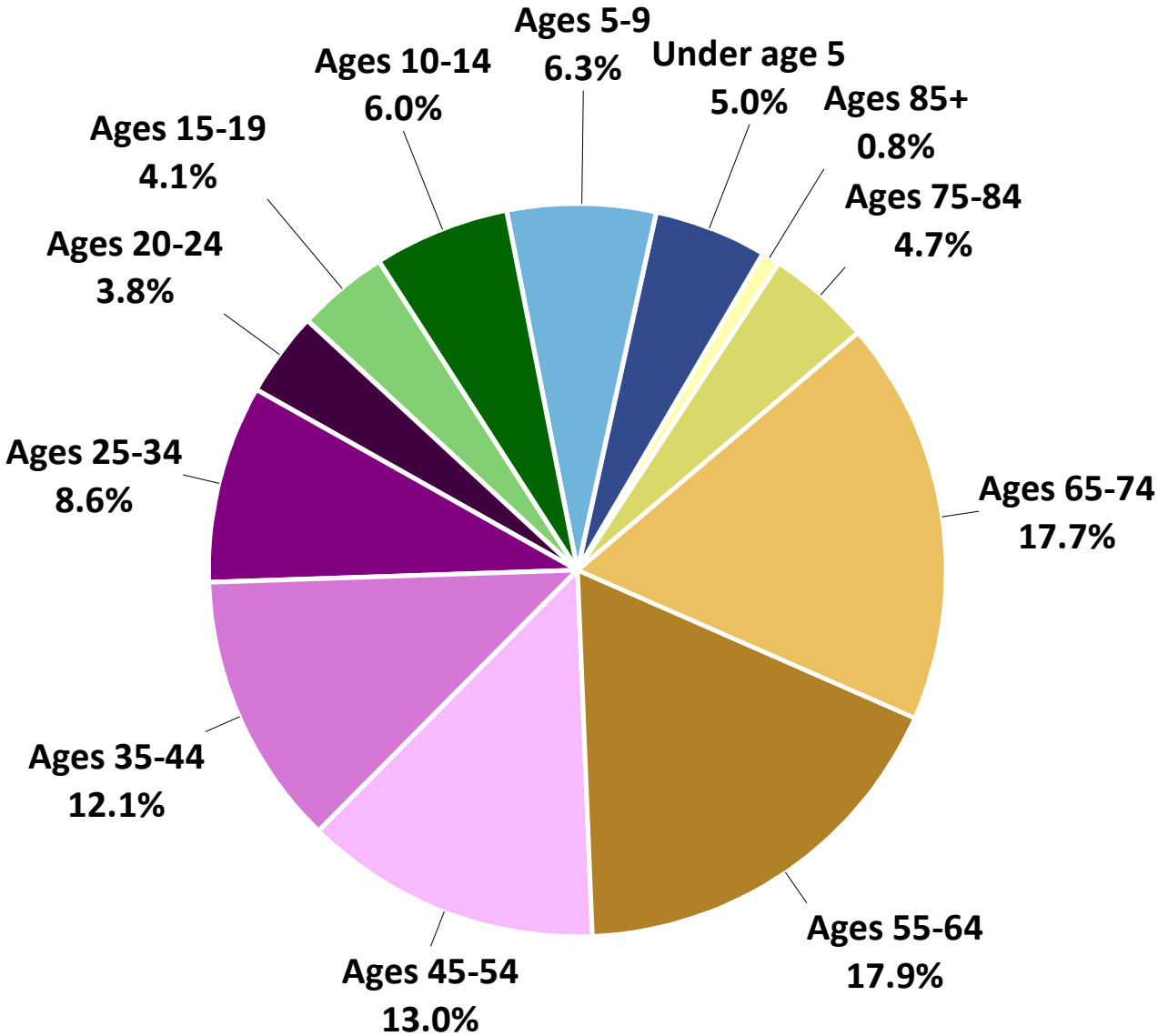
Demographics: Q19. Your gender:

by percentage of respondents (excluding *prefer not to answer* responses)



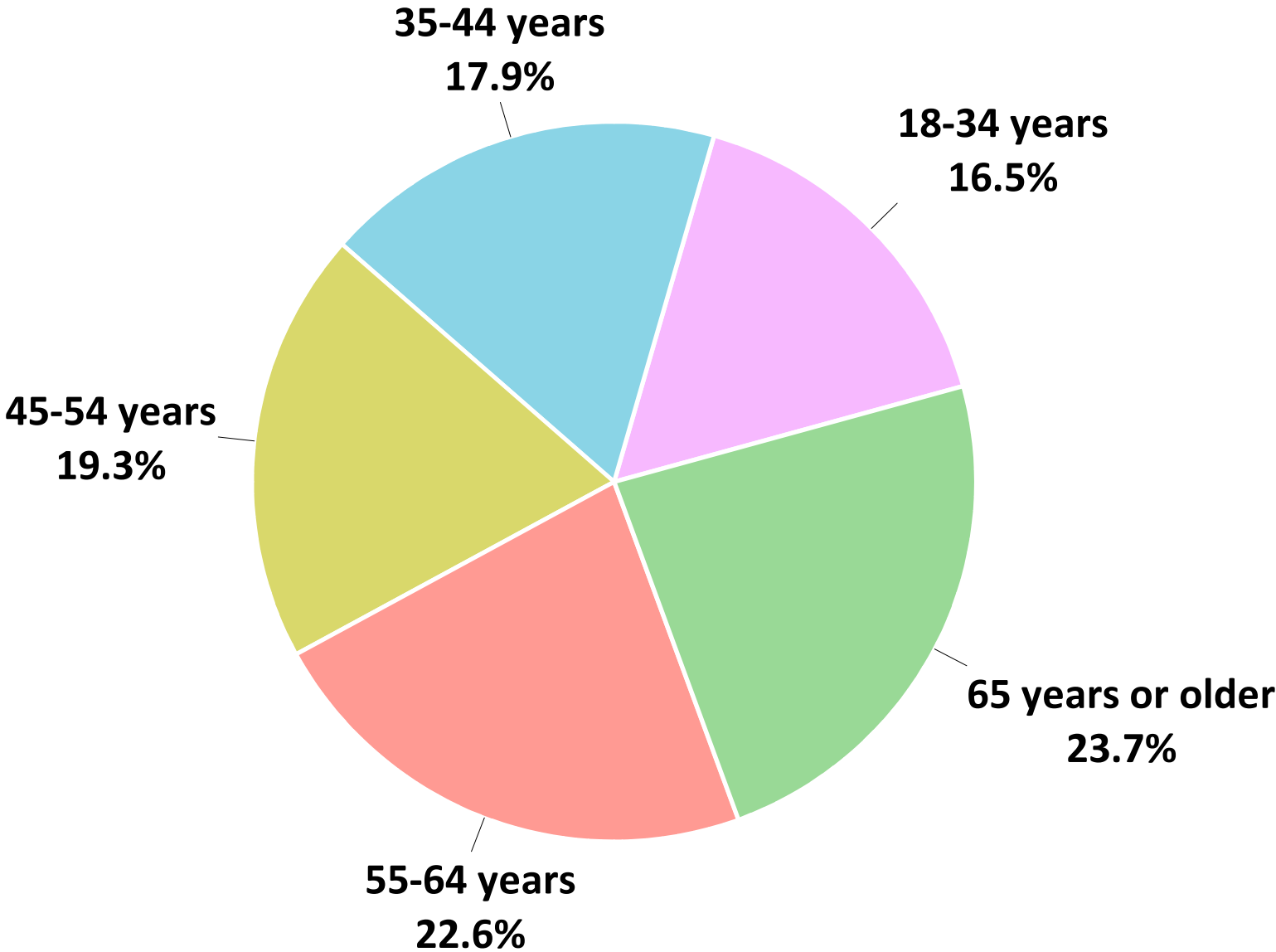
Demographics: Q21. Including yourself, how many people in your household are...

by percentage of respondents



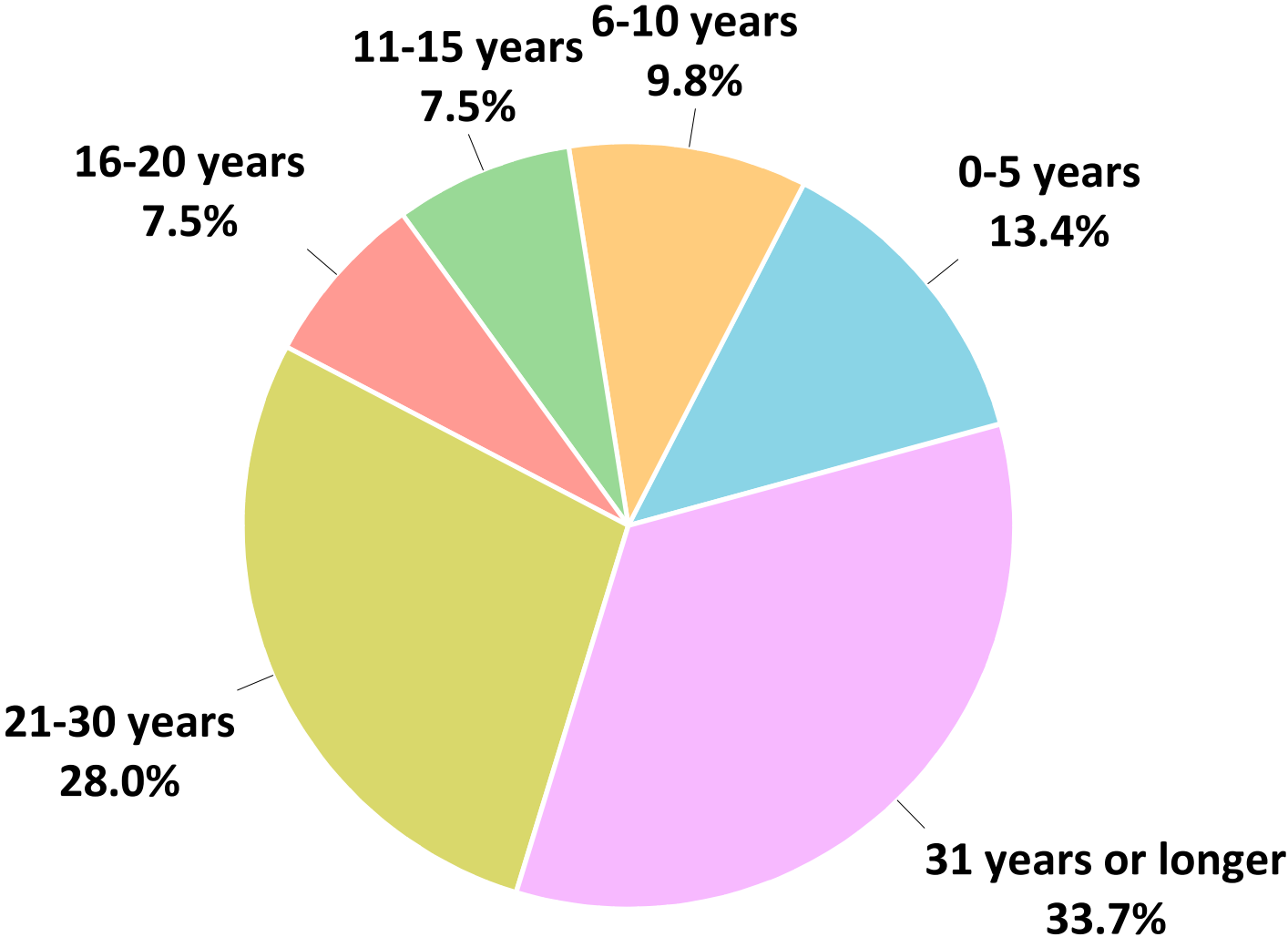
Demographics: Q21. Your age:

by percentage of respondents (excluding *not provided* responses)



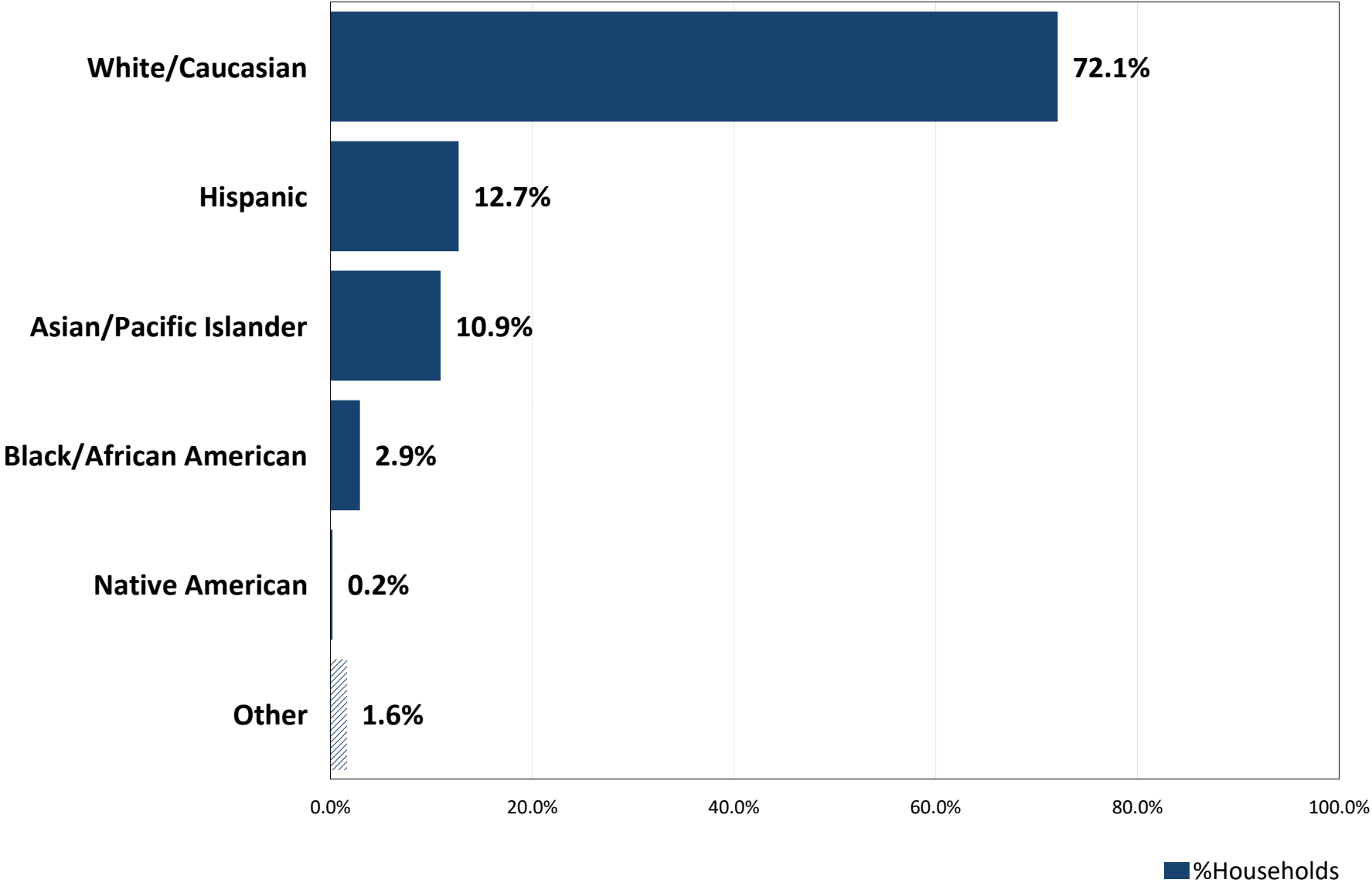
Demographics: Q22. How many years have you lived in Benicia?

by percentage of respondents (excluding *not provided* responses)



Demographics: Q23. Which of the following best describes your race/ethnicity?

by percentage of households (multiple choices could be selected)





2 Benchmark Analysis

Benchmark Analysis Summary



Since 1998, in more than 500 communities in 49 states across the country, ETC Institute has conducted household surveys for needs assessments, feasibility studies, customer satisfaction, fees and charges comparisons, and various other parks and recreation issues/topics.

The results of these surveys have provided an unparalleled data base of information to compare responses from household residents in client communities to “National Averages” and therefore provide a unique tool to “assist organizations in better decision making.”

Communities within the data base include a full range of municipal and county governments from 20,000 in population through over 1 million in population. They include communities in warm weather climates and cold weather climates, mature communities and some of the fastest growing cities and counties in the country.

“National Averages” have been developed for numerous strategically important parks and recreation planning and management issues including: customer satisfaction and usage of parks and programs; methods for receiving marketing information; reasons that prevent members of households from using parks and recreation facilities more often; priority recreation programs, parks, facilities and trails to improve or develop; priority programming spaces to have in planned community centers and aquatic facilities; potential attendance for planned indoor community centers and outdoor aquatic centers; etc.

To keep the benchmarking data base current with changing trends, ETC Institute’s benchmarking data base is updated on a regular basis. The “National Average” included on the following pages only include the results of surveys ETC Institute has administered over the past five years.

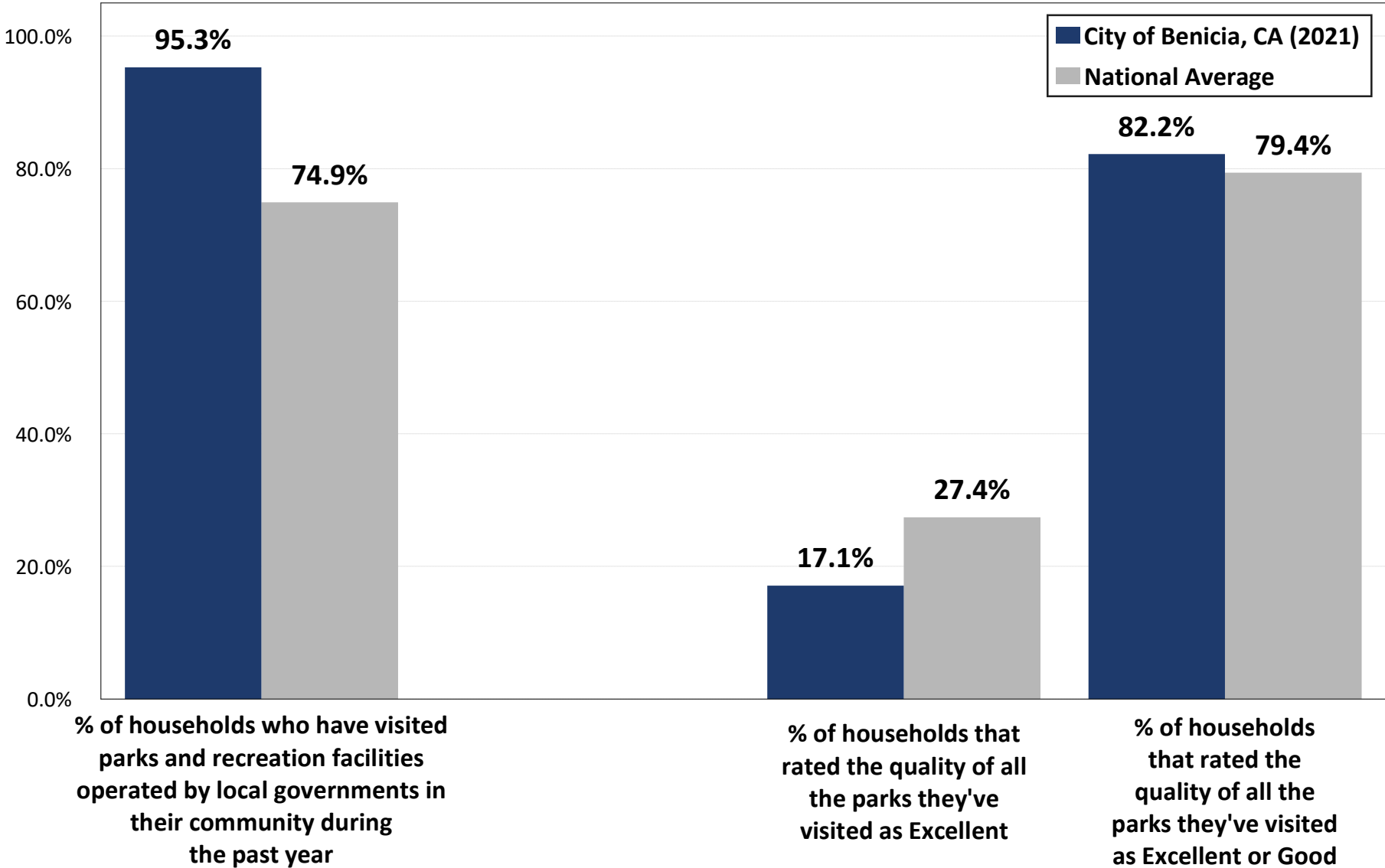
Results from household responses for the City of Benicia, California were compared to National Benchmarks to gain further strategic information. Graphs of all tabular comparisons are on the following pages.

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Benchmark: Percent of Households That Have Visited Parks and Recreation Facilities During the Past Year and How They Rated the Quality

City of Benicia Results (2021) vs. the National Average

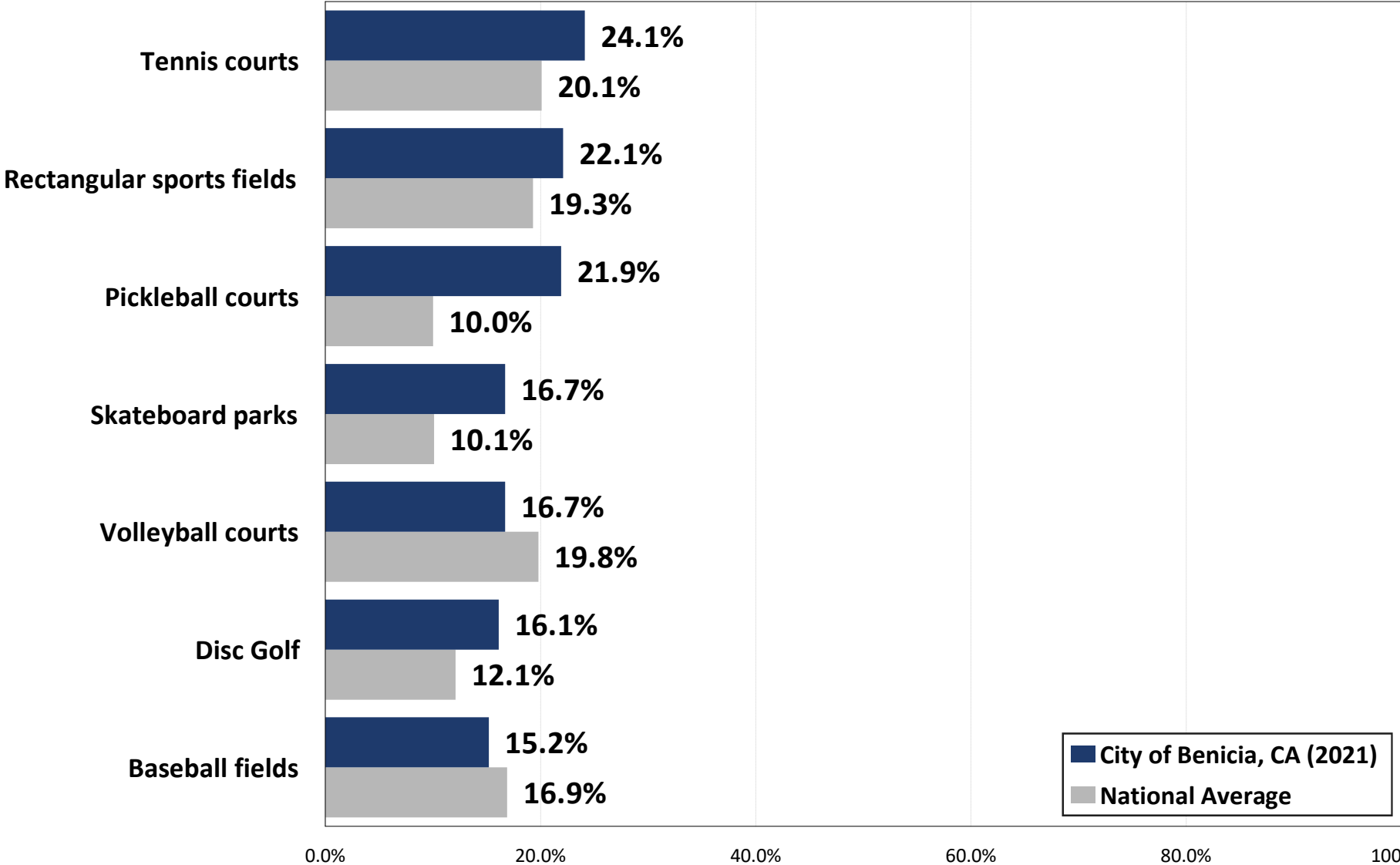
by percentage of households



Benchmark: Percent of Households That Have Needs for Sports Facilities

City of Benicia Results (2021) vs. the National Average

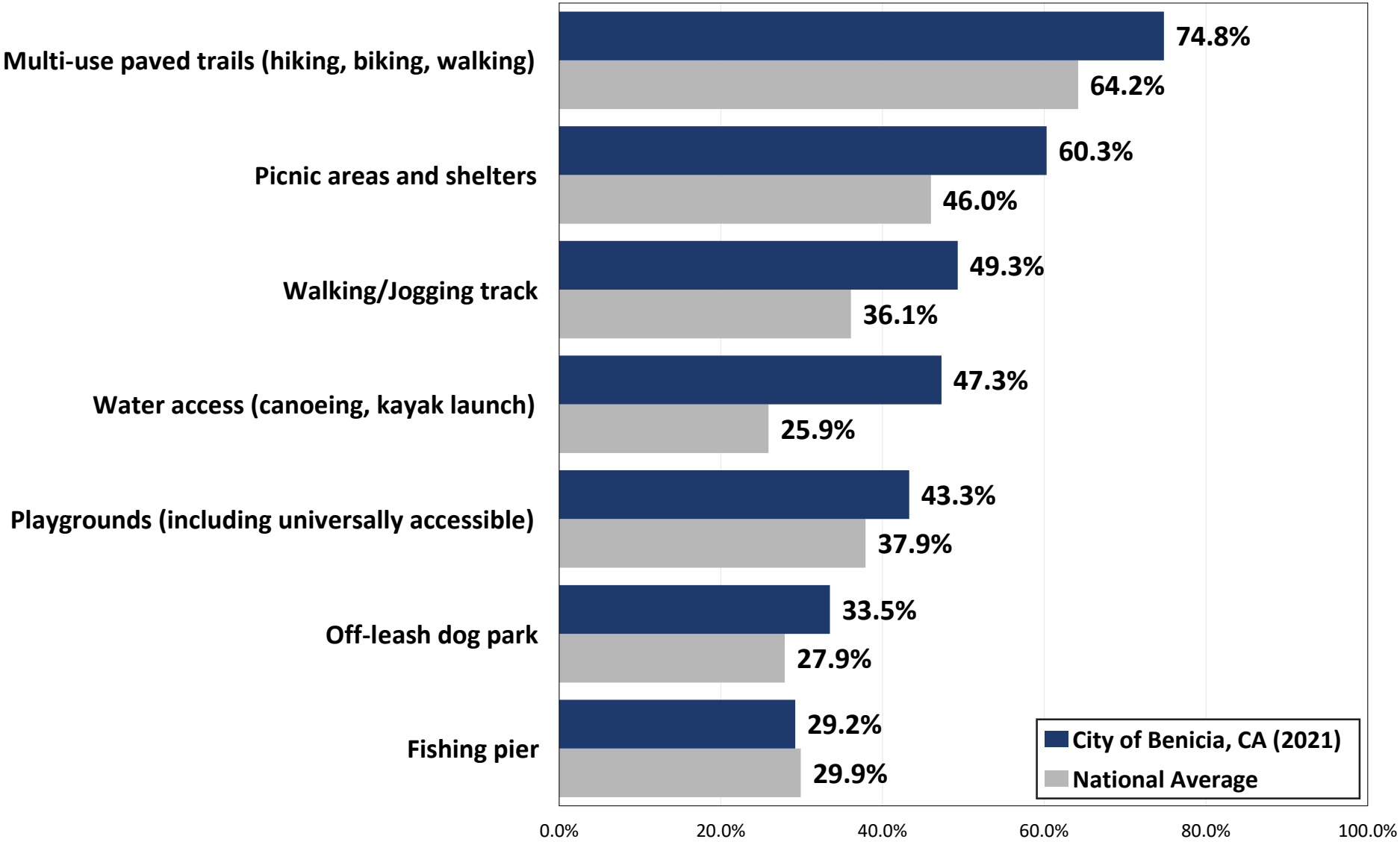
by percentage of City households



Benchmark: Percent of Households That Have Needs for Other Recreation Facilities

City of Benicia Results (2021) vs. the National Average

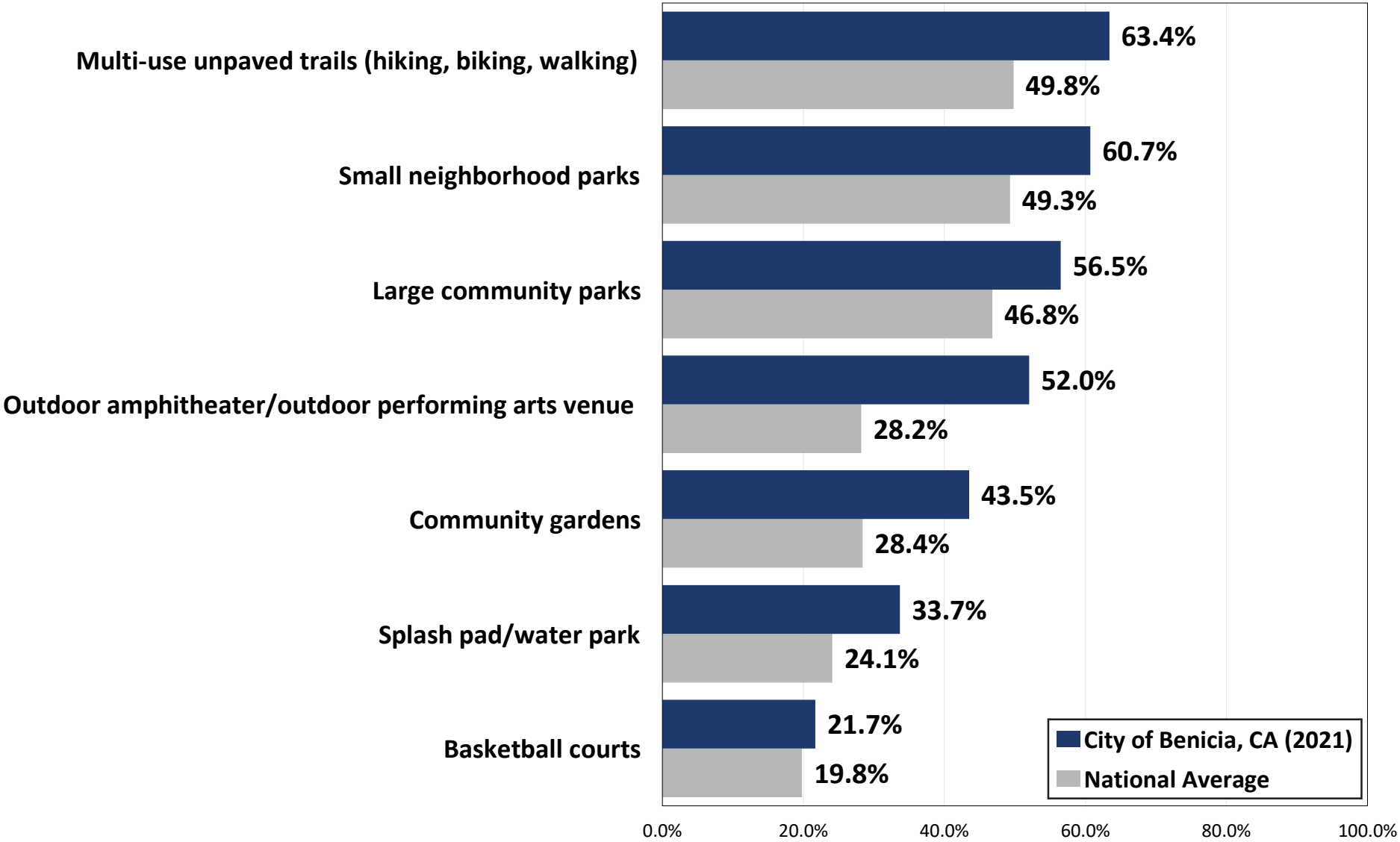
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Benchmark: Percent of Households That Have Needs for Other Recreation Facilities

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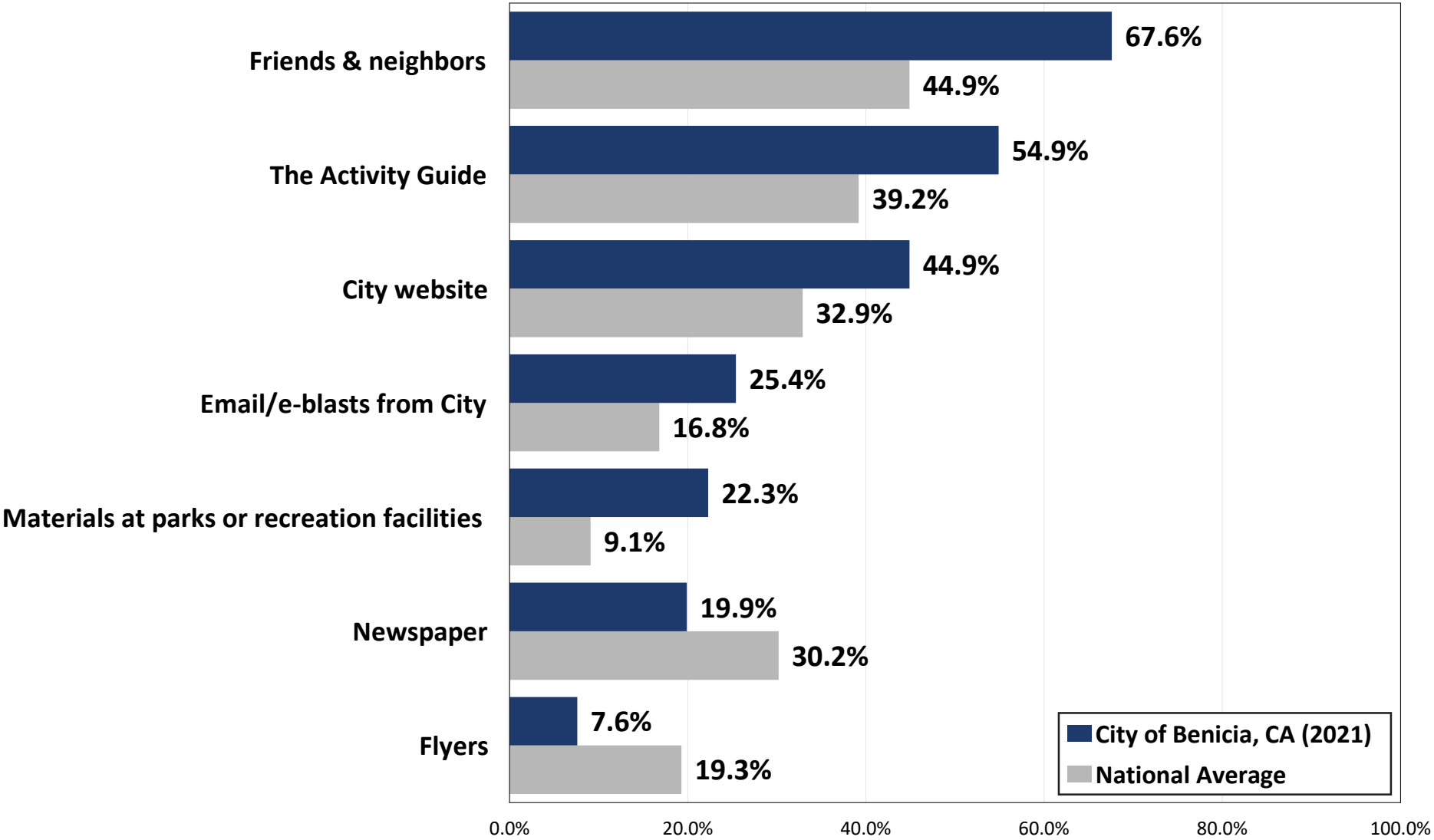
by percentage of City households



Benchmark: Sources of Information That Households Use to Learn About Parks and Recreation Programs and Activities

City of Benicia Results (2021) vs. the National Average

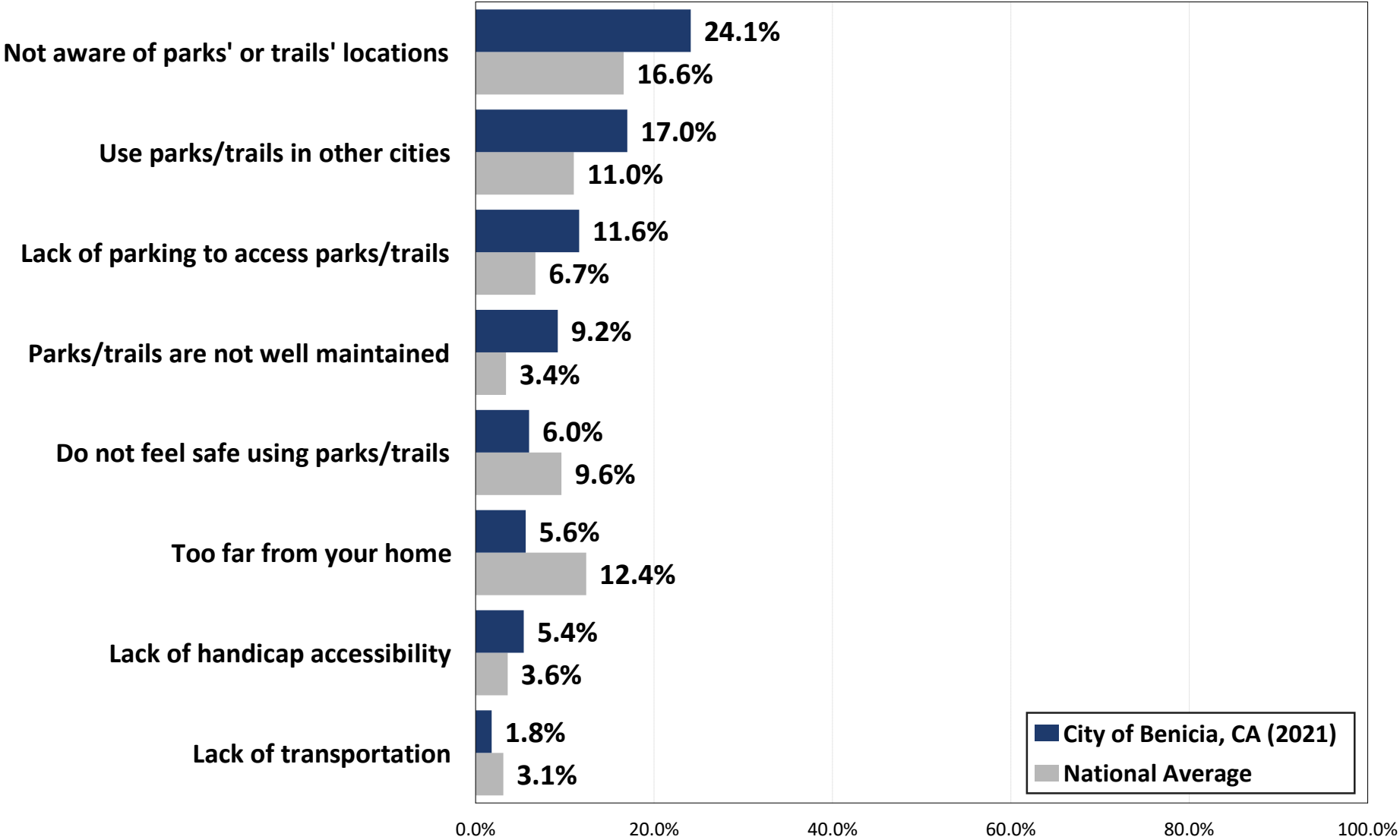
by percentage of City households



Benchmark: Reasons Preventing Households From Using Parks and Community/Recreation Facilities

City of Benicia Results (2021) vs. the National Average

by percentage of City households





Priority Investment Ratings Analysis

Priority Investment Rating Summary



The **Priority Investment Rating (PIR)** was developed by ETC Institute to provide governments with an objective tool for evaluating the priority that should be placed on parks and recreation investments. The Priority Investment Rating was developed by ETC Institute to identify the facilities/amenities and programs residents think should receive the highest priority for investment. The priority investment rating reflects the importance residents place on items (sum of top 4 choices) and the unmet needs (needs that are only being met 50% or less). Since decisions related to future investments should consider both the level of unmet need and the importance of facilities/amenities and programs, the PIR weights each of these components equally.

The Priority Investment Rating (PIR) reflects the sum of the Unmet Needs Rating (UNR) and the Importance Rating (IR) as shown in the equation below:

$$\text{PIR} = \text{UNR} + \text{IR}$$

For example, suppose the Unmet Needs Rating for tennis courts is 37.7 (out of 100) and the Importance Rating for tennis courts is 10.5 (out of 100), therefore the Priority Investment Rating for tennis courts is 48.2 (out of 200).

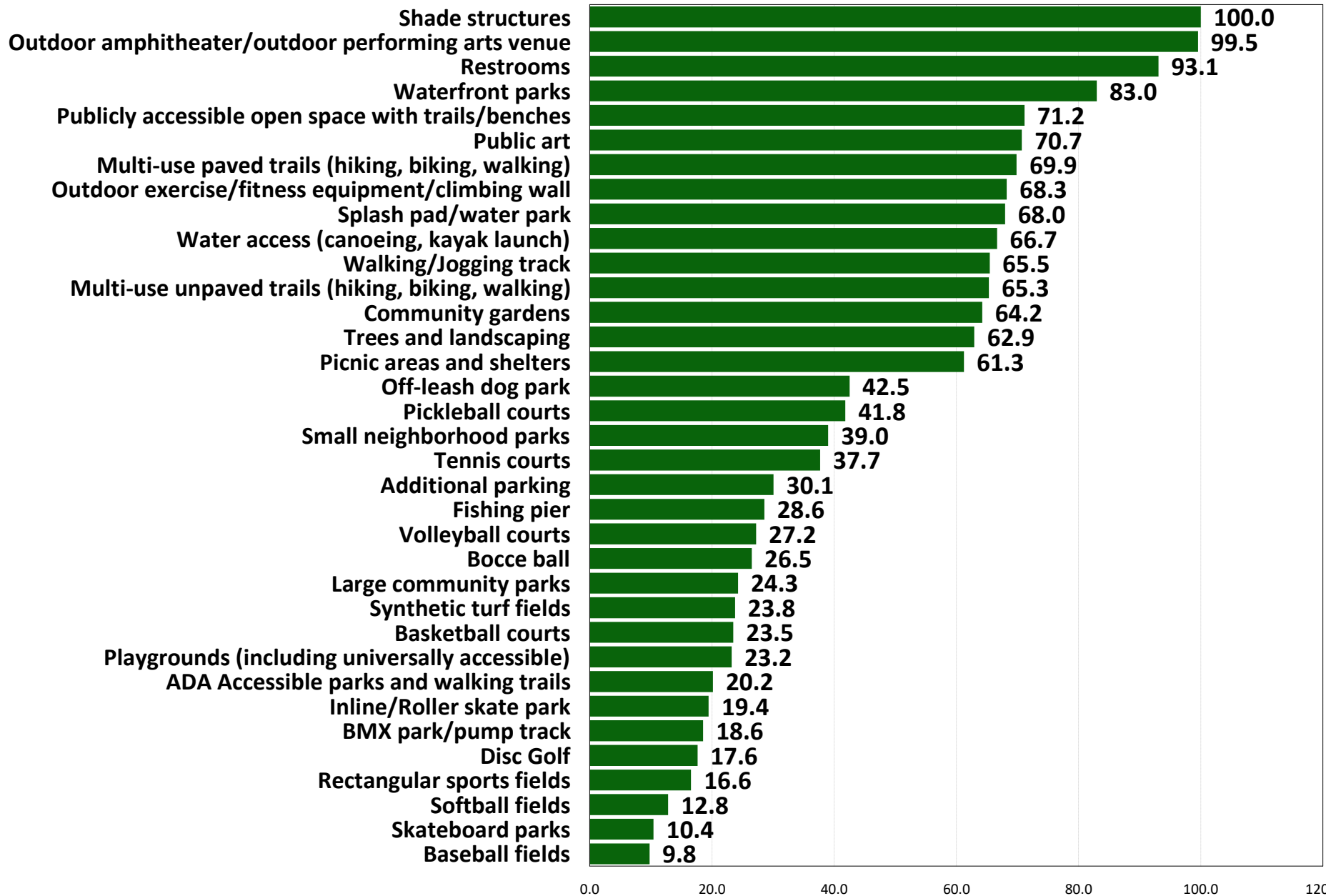
How to Analyze the Charts:

- **High Priority Areas** are those with a PIR of at least 100. A rating of 100 or above generally indicates there is a relatively high level of unmet need and residents generally think it is important to fund improvements in these areas. Improvements in this area are likely to have a positive impact on the greatest number of households.
- **Medium Priority Areas** are those with a PIR of 50-99. A rating in this range generally indicates there is a medium to high level of unmet need or a significant percentage of residents generally think it is important to fund improvements in these areas.
- **Low Priority Areas** are those with a PIR below 50. A rating in this range generally indicates there is a relatively low level of unmet need and residents do not think it is important to fund improvements in these areas. Improvements may be warranted if the needs of very specialized populations are being targeted.

The following pages show the Unmet Needs Rating, Importance Rating, and Priority Investment Rating (PIR) for parks and recreation facilities and amenities.

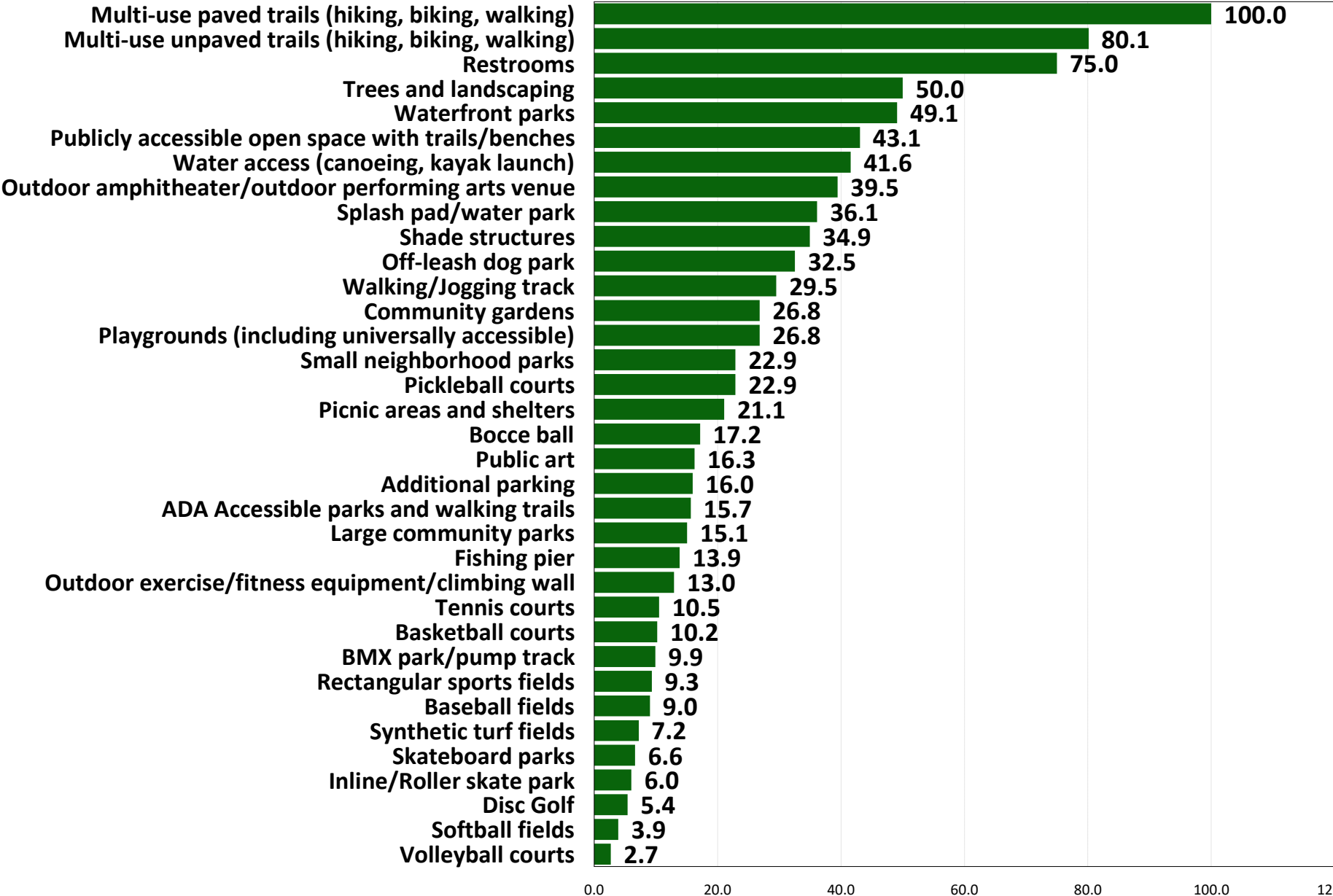
Unmet Needs Rating for Recreation Facilities & Amenities

the rating for the item with the most unmet need=100
 the rating of all other items reflects the relative amount of unmet need for each item compared to the item with the most unmet need



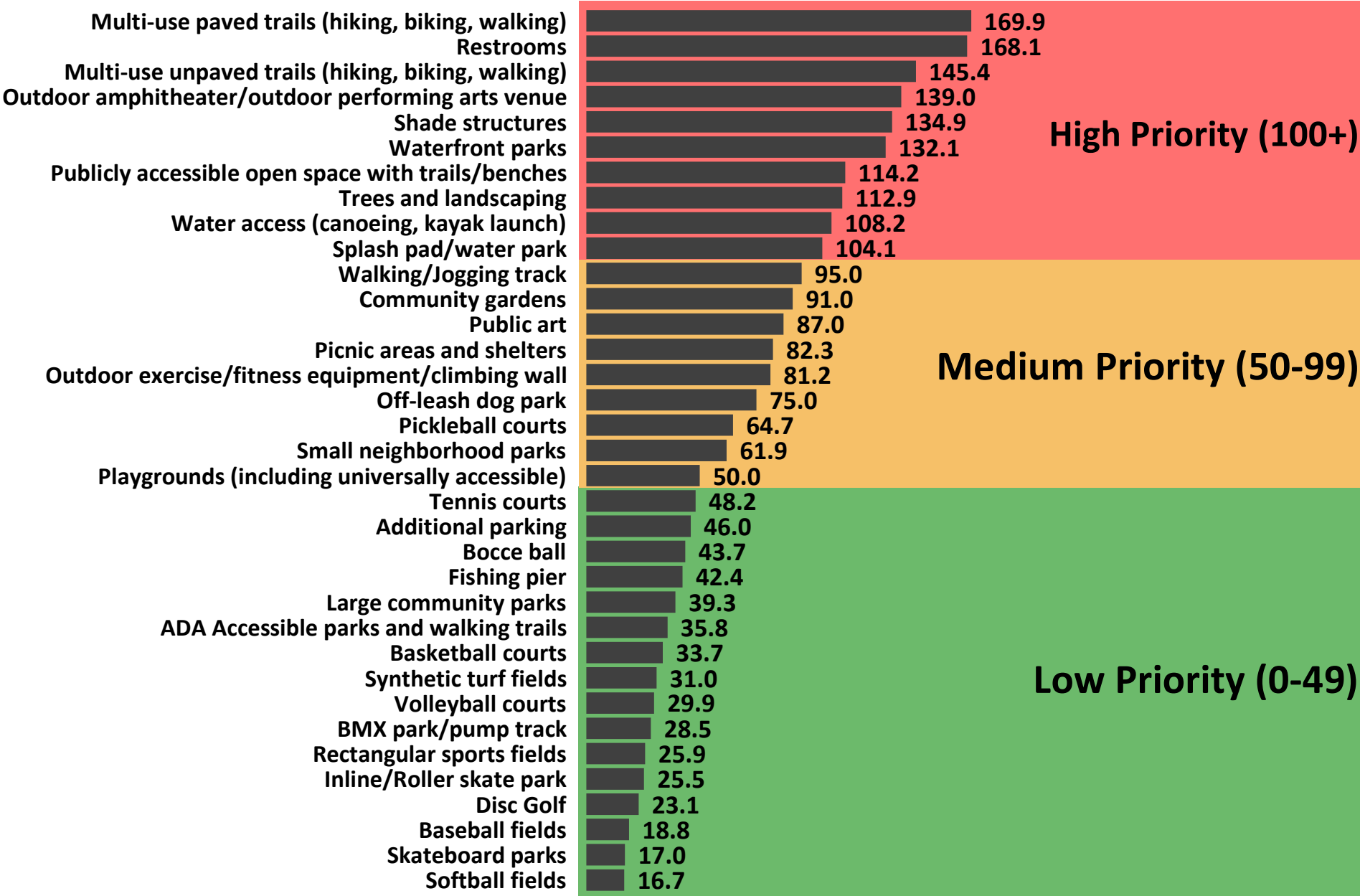
Importance Rating for Recreation Facilities & Amenities

the rating for the item with the most importance=100
 the rating of all other items reflects the relative amount of importance for each item compared to the item with the most importance



Top Priorities for Investment for Recreation Facilities & Amenities

Based on the Priority Investment Rating (PIR)





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Tabular Data of Overall Results

Q1. Have you or any member of your household visited any City of Benicia parks or trails during the last 2 years?

| | Number | Percent |
|-------|--------|---------|
| Yes | 427 | 95.3 % |
| No | 21 | 4.7 % |
| Total | 448 | 100.0 % |

Q1a. How often have you or any member of your household visited City of Benicia parks and trails during the last 2 years?

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------------|--------|---------|
| 5+ times a week | 72 | 16.9 % |
| 2-4 times a week | 170 | 39.8 % |
| Once a week | 68 | 15.9 % |
| 1-3 times a month | 75 | 17.6 % |
| Less than once a month | 38 | 8.9 % |
| Don't know | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Total | 427 | 100.0 % |

WITHOUT DON'T KNOW RESPONSES**Q1a. How often have you or any member of your household visited City of Benicia parks and trails during the last 2 years? (without "don't know")**

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------------|--------|---------|
| 5+ times a week | 72 | 17.0 % |
| 2-4 times a week | 170 | 40.2 % |
| Once a week | 68 | 16.1 % |
| 1-3 times a month | 75 | 17.7 % |
| Less than once a month | 38 | 9.0 % |
| Total | 423 | 100.0 % |

Q1b. Overall, how would you rate the physical condition of ALL the City of Benicia parks and trails you have visited?

| | Number | Percent |
|--------------|--------|---------|
| Excellent | 72 | 16.9 % |
| Good | 274 | 64.2 % |
| Fair | 66 | 15.5 % |
| Poor | 9 | 2.1 % |
| Not provided | 6 | 1.4 % |
| Total | 427 | 100.0 % |

WITHOUT NOT PROVIDED RESPONSES

Q1b. Overall, how would you rate the physical condition of ALL the City of Benicia parks and trails you have visited? (without "not provided")

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------|--------|---------|
| Excellent | 72 | 17.1 % |
| Good | 274 | 65.1 % |
| Fair | 66 | 15.7 % |
| Poor | 9 | 2.1 % |
| Total | 421 | 100.0 % |

Q2. Please rate your level of agreement with the following statements about some potential benefits of the City of Benicia's parks, trails, and open space system.

(N=448)

| | Strongly Agree | Agree | Neutral | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
|---|----------------|-------|---------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| Q2-1. Attracts new residents & businesses | 28.1% | 41.7% | 19.0% | 3.3% | 1.1% | 6.7% |
| Q2-2. Reduces crime in my neighborhood & keeps kids out of trouble | 17.6% | 32.8% | 36.4% | 4.7% | 1.3% | 7.1% |
| Q2-3. Improves my (my household's) mental health & reduces stress | 45.5% | 43.5% | 7.4% | 0.9% | 0.0% | 2.7% |
| Q2-4. Improves my (my household's) physical health & fitness | 47.8% | 40.8% | 7.1% | 1.6% | 0.2% | 2.5% |
| Q2-5. Increases my (my household's) property value | 34.2% | 44.9% | 13.8% | 1.8% | 0.2% | 5.1% |
| Q2-6. Is age-friendly & accessible to all age groups | 33.5% | 45.5% | 14.5% | 2.9% | 0.4% | 3.1% |
| Q2-7. Makes Benicia a more desirable place to live | 53.1% | 39.5% | 4.0% | 0.4% | 0.2% | 2.7% |
| Q2-8. Positively impacts economic/business development | 24.1% | 36.2% | 27.9% | 2.5% | 0.7% | 8.7% |
| Q2-9. Preserves open space & protects the environment | 49.1% | 38.2% | 8.3% | 0.4% | 0.7% | 3.3% |
| Q2-10. Promotes tourism to City & region | 26.6% | 35.7% | 26.1% | 5.1% | 0.7% | 5.8% |
| Q2-11. Provides jobs/professional development for youth | 10.0% | 23.2% | 43.1% | 9.4% | 1.6% | 12.7% |
| Q2-12. Provides positive social interactions for me (my household/family) | 33.9% | 47.8% | 12.5% | 1.8% | 0.4% | 3.6% |
| Q2-13. Provides volunteer opportunities for the community | 14.1% | 33.9% | 33.7% | 4.5% | 1.1% | 12.7% |

WITHOUT DON'T KNOW RESPONSES**Q2. Please rate your level of agreement with the following statements about some potential benefits of the City of Benicia's parks, trails, and open space system. (without "don't know")**

(N=448)

| | Strongly Agree | Agree | Neutral | Disagree | Strongly Disagree |
|---|----------------|-------|---------|----------|-------------------|
| Q2-1. Attracts new residents & businesses | 30.1% | 44.7% | 20.3% | 3.6% | 1.2% |
| Q2-2. Reduces crime in my neighborhood & keeps kids out of trouble | 19.0% | 35.3% | 39.2% | 5.0% | 1.4% |
| Q2-3. Improves my (my household's) mental health & reduces stress | 46.8% | 44.7% | 7.6% | 0.9% | 0.0% |
| Q2-4. Improves my (my household's) physical health & fitness | 49.0% | 41.9% | 7.3% | 1.6% | 0.2% |
| Q2-5. Increases my (my household's) property value | 36.0% | 47.3% | 14.6% | 1.9% | 0.2% |
| Q2-6. Is age-friendly & accessible to all age groups | 34.6% | 47.0% | 15.0% | 3.0% | 0.5% |
| Q2-7. Makes Benicia a more desirable place to live | 54.6% | 40.6% | 4.1% | 0.5% | 0.2% |
| Q2-8. Positively impacts economic/business development | 26.4% | 39.6% | 30.6% | 2.7% | 0.7% |
| Q2-9. Preserves open space & protects the environment | 50.8% | 39.5% | 8.5% | 0.5% | 0.7% |
| Q2-10. Promotes tourism to City & region | 28.2% | 37.9% | 27.7% | 5.5% | 0.7% |
| Q2-11. Provides jobs/professional development for youth | 11.5% | 26.6% | 49.4% | 10.7% | 1.8% |
| Q2-12. Provides positive social interactions for me (my household/family) | 35.2% | 49.5% | 13.0% | 1.9% | 0.5% |
| Q2-13. Provides volunteer opportunities for the community | 16.1% | 38.9% | 38.6% | 5.1% | 1.3% |

Q3. Please check all the reasons that prevent you or other members of your household from using City of Benicia parks or trails more often, before the COVID-19 Pandemic.

| | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Use parks/trails in other cities | 76 | 17.0 % |
| Too far from your home | 25 | 5.6 % |
| Parks/trails are not well maintained | 41 | 9.2 % |
| Lack of features we want to use | 90 | 20.1 % |
| Lack of parking to access parks/trails | 52 | 11.6 % |
| Do not feel safe using parks/trails | 27 | 6.0 % |
| Lack of handicap accessibility | 24 | 5.4 % |
| Not aware of parks' or trails' locations | 108 | 24.1 % |
| Lack of transportation | 8 | 1.8 % |
| Lack of restrooms | 140 | 31.3 % |
| Lack of trust in government | 8 | 1.8 % |
| Language/cultural barriers | 2 | 0.4 % |
| Lack of wayfinding signage | 39 | 8.7 % |
| Other | 75 | 16.7 % |
| Total | 715 | |

Q4. Please check all the upgrades or additions you would like to see at existing parks in the City of Benicia.

| | Number | Percent |
|--|-------------|---------|
| Artificial turf fields | 39 | 8.7 % |
| Baseball/softball diamonds | 34 | 7.6 % |
| Basketball courts (outdoor) | 58 | 12.9 % |
| Bike racks | 94 | 21.0 % |
| Bike repair stations | 49 | 10.9 % |
| Bike trails | 149 | 33.3 % |
| Canoe/kayak launch | 187 | 41.7 % |
| Disc golf | 39 | 8.7 % |
| Drinking fountains | 157 | 35.0 % |
| Fitness equipment (outdoor) | 119 | 26.6 % |
| Handicap accessibility | 49 | 10.9 % |
| Parking | 85 | 19.0 % |
| Permanent outdoor games (ping-pong, corn hole) | 98 | 21.9 % |
| Pickleball courts (outdoor) | 92 | 20.5 % |
| Picnic shelters | 167 | 37.3 % |
| Playground equipment | 97 | 21.7 % |
| Public art | 133 | 29.7 % |
| Restrooms | 245 | 54.7 % |
| Seating/benches | 150 | 33.5 % |
| Security cameras & lighting | 152 | 33.9 % |
| Shade structures | 239 | 53.3 % |
| Sidewalks | 70 | 15.6 % |
| Signage | 85 | 19.0 % |
| Soccer fields | 28 | 6.3 % |
| Sports fields lighting | 41 | 9.2 % |
| Tennis courts (outdoor) | 59 | 13.2 % |
| Pathways | 120 | 26.8 % |
| Trees & landscaping | 175 | 39.1 % |
| Volleyball courts (outdoor) | 38 | 8.5 % |
| Walking/hiking trails | 219 | 48.9 % |
| Wi-Fi | 70 | 15.6 % |
| Other | 55 | 12.3 % |
| Total | 3392 | |

Q5. What types of trails would you like to have more of in the City of Benicia?

| | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Walking/hiking | 334 | 74.6 % |
| Mountain biking | 94 | 21.0 % |
| Off-road | 40 | 8.9 % |
| Bike lanes | 136 | 30.4 % |
| More sidewalks | 67 | 15.0 % |
| Looped trails around schools & parks | 165 | 36.8 % |
| Water trails for kayaks, outrigger canoes, stand up paddleboards, & other non-motorized small boats | 186 | 41.5 % |
| Other | 26 | 5.8 % |
| None of these | 21 | 4.7 % |
| Total | 1069 | |

WITHOUT NONE OF THESE RESPONSES

Q5. What types of trails would you like to have more of in the City of Benicia? (without "none of these")

| | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Walking/hiking | 334 | 78.2 % |
| Mountain biking | 94 | 22.0 % |
| Off-road | 40 | 9.4 % |
| Bike lanes | 136 | 31.9 % |
| More sidewalks | 67 | 15.7 % |
| Looped trails around schools & parks | 165 | 38.6 % |
| Water trails for kayaks, outrigger canoes, stand up paddleboards, & other non-motorized small boats | 186 | 43.6 % |
| Other | 26 | 6.1 % |
| Total | 1048 | |

Q6. Please CHECK ALL the following destinations that you or other members of your household would most like to get to by using trails.

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Natural areas & open space | 348 | 77.7 % |
| Other greenway trails | 226 | 50.4 % |
| Waterfront parks | 323 | 72.1 % |
| Parks & playgrounds | 186 | 41.5 % |
| Place of work | 18 | 4.0 % |
| Public transportation | 32 | 7.1 % |
| School | 64 | 14.3 % |
| Shops & restaurants | 123 | 27.5 % |
| Other | 10 | 2.2 % |
| None. I do not want to use trails | 18 | 4.0 % |
| Total | 1348 | |

WITHOUT NONE RESPONSES

Q6. Please CHECK ALL the following destinations that you or other members of your household would most like to get to by using trails. (without "none")

| | Number | Percent |
|----------------------------|--------|---------|
| Natural areas & open space | 348 | 80.9 % |
| Other greenway trails | 226 | 52.6 % |
| Waterfront parks | 323 | 75.1 % |
| Parks & playgrounds | 186 | 43.3 % |
| Place of work | 18 | 4.2 % |
| Public transportation | 32 | 7.4 % |
| School | 64 | 14.9 % |
| Shops & restaurants | 123 | 28.6 % |
| Other | 10 | 2.3 % |
| Total | 1330 | |

Q7. Please rate your level of support for the City completing each of the following trail projects.

(N=448)

| | Very Supportive | Somewhat Supportive | Not Sure | Not Supportive |
|---|-----------------|---------------------|----------|----------------|
| Q7-1. The shoreline pathway & shared alignment of the Bay, Ridge, & Delta Trails (Carquinez Strait Scenic Loop Trail) from Benicia-Martinez Bridge to Downtown Waterfront to Benicia State Recreation Area | 65.2% | 18.3% | 13.8% | 2.7% |
| Q7-2. The Crosstown Trail from Benicia State Recreation Area through Braito Open Space & Jack London Park to Benicia Community Park, Lake Herman Regional Park, & Rose Drive Pathway along Water's End Neighborhood | 52.2% | 25.2% | 18.8% | 3.8% |
| Q7-3. A comprehensive open space trail system at Lake Herman Regional Park & Benicia Community Park | 55.6% | 23.4% | 16.5% | 4.5% |
| Q7-4. New open space trails to create smaller trail loops that are accessible by foot or bike for Southampton residents | 49.8% | 19.0% | 25.4% | 5.8% |
| Q7-5. New pathways within & connecting to parks | 44.4% | 23.9% | 26.6% | 5.1% |

Q8. Which TWO improvements from the list in Question 7 should receive the highest priority from City leaders?

| <u>Q8. Top choice</u> | <u>Number</u> | <u>Percent</u> |
|--|---------------|----------------|
| The shoreline pathway & shared alignment of the Bay, Ridge, & Delta Trails (Carquinez Strait Scenic Loop Trail) from Benicia-Martinez Bridge to Downtown Waterfront to Benicia State Recreation Area | 164 | 36.6 % |
| The Crosstown Trail from Benicia State Recreation Area through Braitto Open Space & Jack London Park to Benicia Community Park, Lake Herman Regional Park, & Rose Drive Pathway along Water's End Neighborhood | 61 | 13.6 % |
| A comprehensive open space trail system at Lake Herman Regional Park & Benicia Community Park | 52 | 11.6 % |
| New open space trails to create smaller trail loops that are accessible by foot or bike for Southamptton residents | 58 | 12.9 % |
| New pathways within & connecting to parks | 19 | 4.2 % |
| None chosen | 94 | 21.0 % |
| Total | 448 | 100.0 % |

Q8. Which TWO improvements from the list in Question 7 should receive the highest priority from City leaders?

| <u>Q8. 2nd choice</u> | <u>Number</u> | <u>Percent</u> |
|--|---------------|----------------|
| The shoreline pathway & shared alignment of the Bay, Ridge, & Delta Trails (Carquinez Strait Scenic Loop Trail) from Benicia-Martinez Bridge to Downtown Waterfront to Benicia State Recreation Area | 61 | 13.6 % |
| The Crosstown Trail from Benicia State Recreation Area through Braitto Open Space & Jack London Park to Benicia Community Park, Lake Herman Regional Park, & Rose Drive Pathway along Water's End Neighborhood | 82 | 18.3 % |
| A comprehensive open space trail system at Lake Herman Regional Park & Benicia Community Park | 87 | 19.4 % |
| New open space trails to create smaller trail loops that are accessible by foot or bike for Southamptton residents | 53 | 11.8 % |
| New pathways within & connecting to parks | 50 | 11.2 % |
| None chosen | 115 | 25.7 % |
| Total | 448 | 100.0 % |

SUM OF THE TOP TWO CHOICES

Q8. Which TWO improvements from the list in Question 7 should receive the highest priority from City leaders? (top 2)

| Sum of the top two choices | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| The shoreline pathway & shared alignment of the Bay, Ridge, & Delta Trails (Carquinez Strait Scenic Loop Trail) from Benicia-Martinez Bridge to Downtown Waterfront to Benicia State Recreation Area | 225 | 50.2 % |
| The Crosstown Trail from Benicia State Recreation Area through Braito Open Space & Jack London Park to Benicia Community Park, Lake Herman Regional Park, & Rose Drive Pathway along Water's End Neighborhood | 143 | 31.9 % |
| A comprehensive open space trail system at Lake Herman Regional Park & Benicia Community Park | 139 | 31.0 % |
| New open space trails to create smaller trail loops that are accessible by foot or bike for Southamptton residents | 111 | 24.8 % |
| New pathways within & connecting to parks | 69 | 15.4 % |
| None chosen | 94 | 21.0 % |
| Total | 781 | |

Q9. Please indicate if you or any member of your household has an interest for each of the park facilities and amenities in the City of Benicia listed below.

(N=448)

| | Yes | No |
|--|-------|-------|
| Q9-1. ADA accessible parks & walking trails | 18.3% | 81.7% |
| Q9-2. Additional parking | 22.3% | 77.7% |
| Q9-3. Baseball fields | 15.2% | 84.8% |
| Q9-4. Basketball courts | 21.7% | 78.3% |
| Q9-5. BMX park/pump track | 10.3% | 89.7% |
| Q9-6. Bocce ball | 26.1% | 73.9% |
| Q9-7. Community gardens | 43.5% | 56.5% |
| Q9-8. Disc golf | 16.1% | 83.9% |
| Q9-9. Fishing pier | 29.2% | 70.8% |
| Q9-10. Inline/roller skate park | 14.3% | 85.7% |
| Q9-11. Large community parks | 56.5% | 43.5% |
| Q9-12. Multi-use paved trails (hiking, biking, walking) | 74.8% | 25.2% |
| Q9-13. Multi-use unpaved trails (hiking, biking, walking) | 63.4% | 36.6% |
| Q9-14. Off-leash dog park | 33.5% | 66.5% |
| Q9-15. Outdoor amphitheater/outdoor performing arts venue | 52.0% | 48.0% |
| Q9-16. Outdoor exercise/fitness equipment/ropes course/rock climbing | 35.5% | 64.5% |
| Q9-17. Pickleball courts | 21.9% | 78.1% |
| Q9-18. Picnic areas & shelters | 60.3% | 39.7% |
| Q9-19. Playgrounds (including universally accessible) | 43.3% | 56.7% |
| Q9-20. Public art | 44.2% | 55.8% |
| Q9-21. Publicly accessible open space with trails & benches | 69.2% | 30.8% |

Q9. Please indicate if you or any member of your household has an interest for each of the park facilities and amenities in the City of Benicia listed below.

(N=448)

| | Yes | No |
|--|-------|-------|
| Q9-22. Rectangular sports fields (e.g., soccer, football, lacrosse, rugby) | 22.1% | 77.9% |
| Q9-23. Restrooms | 76.1% | 23.9% |
| Q9-24. Shade structures | 66.5% | 33.5% |
| Q9-25. Skateboard parks | 16.7% | 83.3% |
| Q9-26. Small neighborhood parks | 60.7% | 39.3% |
| Q9-27. Softball fields | 15.2% | 84.8% |
| Q9-28. Splash pad/water park | 33.7% | 66.3% |
| Q9-29. Synthetic turf fields | 12.1% | 87.9% |
| Q9-30. Tennis courts | 24.1% | 75.9% |
| Q9-31. Trees & landscaping | 68.3% | 31.7% |
| Q9-32. Volleyball courts | 16.7% | 83.3% |
| Q9-33. Walking/jogging track | 49.3% | 50.7% |
| Q9-34. Water access (canoeing, kayak launch) | 47.3% | 52.7% |
| Q9-35. Waterfront parks | 67.6% | 32.4% |
| Q9-36. Other | 4.0% | 96.0% |

Q9. If "Yes," please rate how well your needs for facilities of this type are being met using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means they are "100% Met" and 1 means "0% Met."

(N=418)

| | 100% Met | 75% Met | 50% Met | 25% Met | 0% Met |
|--|----------|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| Q9-1. ADA accessible parks & walking trails | 17.9% | 29.5% | 39.7% | 10.3% | 2.6% |
| Q9-2. Additional parking | 5.6% | 30.0% | 42.2% | 18.9% | 3.3% |
| Q9-3. Baseball fields | 33.8% | 35.4% | 21.5% | 7.7% | 1.5% |
| Q9-4. Basketball courts | 23.1% | 25.3% | 34.1% | 13.2% | 4.4% |
| Q9-5. BMX park/pump track | 4.7% | 9.3% | 9.3% | 18.6% | 58.1% |
| Q9-6. Bocce ball | 25.7% | 25.7% | 21.9% | 11.4% | 15.2% |
| Q9-7. Community gardens | 8.5% | 21.0% | 34.1% | 25.0% | 11.4% |
| Q9-8. Disc golf | 23.1% | 24.6% | 36.9% | 7.7% | 7.7% |
| Q9-9. Fishing pier | 31.4% | 22.0% | 29.7% | 11.9% | 5.1% |
| Q9-10. Inline/roller skate park | 14.8% | 20.4% | 24.1% | 24.1% | 16.7% |
| Q9-11. Large community parks | 38.5% | 41.0% | 18.4% | 1.7% | 0.4% |
| Q9-12. Multi-use paved trails (hiking, biking, walking) | 12.1% | 43.3% | 32.6% | 9.7% | 2.3% |
| Q9-13. Multi-use unpaved trails (hiking, biking, walking) | 12.0% | 38.8% | 34.1% | 14.3% | 0.8% |
| Q9-14. Off-leash dog park | 18.2% | 21.2% | 32.6% | 18.2% | 9.8% |
| Q9-15. Outdoor amphitheater/outdoor performing arts venue | 4.7% | 3.8% | 12.3% | 27.0% | 52.1% |
| Q9-16. Outdoor exercise/fitness equipment/ropes course/rock climbing | 2.7% | 5.5% | 19.9% | 26.7% | 45.2% |
| Q9-17. Pickleball courts | 2.2% | 6.6% | 7.7% | 22.0% | 61.5% |
| Q9-18. Picnic areas & shelters | 15.7% | 35.7% | 34.1% | 12.4% | 2.0% |
| Q9-19. Playgrounds (including universally accessible) | 24.4% | 50.0% | 20.6% | 3.3% | 1.7% |
| Q9-20. Public art | 7.3% | 16.3% | 38.2% | 27.0% | 11.2% |

Q9. If "Yes," please rate how well your needs for facilities of this type are being met using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means they are "100% Met" and 1 means "0% Met."

(N=418)

| | 100% Met | 75% Met | 50% Met | 25% Met | 0% Met |
|--|----------|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| Q9-21. Publicly accessible open space with trails & benches | 10.4% | 40.5% | 39.1% | 8.2% | 1.8% |
| Q9-22. Rectangular sports fields (e.g., soccer, football, lacrosse, rugby) | 21.7% | 42.4% | 21.7% | 9.8% | 4.3% |
| Q9-23. Restrooms | 9.7% | 31.8% | 37.0% | 16.9% | 4.5% |
| Q9-24. Shade structures | 5.1% | 23.1% | 38.1% | 28.2% | 5.5% |
| Q9-25. Skateboard parks | 32.8% | 37.5% | 18.8% | 4.7% | 6.3% |
| Q9-26. Small neighborhood parks | 28.6% | 40.7% | 21.0% | 7.7% | 2.0% |
| Q9-27. Softball fields | 35.5% | 24.2% | 22.6% | 12.9% | 4.8% |
| Q9-28. Splash pad/water park | 2.2% | 1.4% | 6.5% | 15.9% | 73.9% |
| Q9-29. Synthetic turf fields | 4.1% | 2.0% | 6.1% | 20.4% | 67.3% |
| Q9-30. Tennis courts | 9.5% | 15.8% | 34.7% | 31.6% | 8.4% |
| Q9-31. Trees & landscaping | 17.3% | 38.6% | 31.8% | 10.8% | 1.4% |
| Q9-32. Volleyball courts | 7.9% | 14.3% | 22.2% | 38.1% | 17.5% |
| Q9-33. Walking/jogging track | 10.7% | 25.9% | 29.4% | 17.8% | 16.2% |
| Q9-34. Water access (canoeing, kayak launch) | 8.6% | 24.1% | 26.7% | 26.7% | 13.9% |
| Q9-35. Waterfront parks | 11.6% | 29.9% | 37.3% | 15.3% | 6.0% |
| Q9-36. Other | 0.0% | 13.3% | 0.0% | 26.7% | 60.0% |

Q9-36. Other

| <u>Q9-36. Other</u> | <u>Number</u> | <u>Percent</u> |
|---|---------------|----------------|
| Survey nearby schools for linked needs | 1 | 5.6 % |
| Public golf course, 9 hole | 1 | 5.6 % |
| Wider walkways through the parks | 1 | 5.6 % |
| Splash pads | 1 | 5.6 % |
| Dog parks | 1 | 5.6 % |
| Lap swimming pools | 1 | 5.6 % |
| Wall for tennis practice | 1 | 5.6 % |
| Need trail by Marshy Bay behind Industrial Park | 1 | 5.6 % |
| Squash courts | 1 | 5.6 % |
| Boat launch | 1 | 5.6 % |
| Golf course | 1 | 5.6 % |
| Small dog off leash area | 1 | 5.6 % |
| Mountain biking trail | 1 | 5.6 % |
| Picnic tables | 1 | 5.6 % |
| Safe walking routes to Mary Farmar | 1 | 5.6 % |
| Swimming pool | 1 | 5.6 % |
| Interlink open space | 1 | 5.6 % |
| Pickleball | 1 | 5.6 % |
| Total | 18 | 100.0 % |

Q10. Which FOUR facilities/amenities from the list in Question 9 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household?

| Q10. Top choice | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| ADA accessible parks & walking trails | 19 | 4.2 % |
| Additional parking | 6 | 1.3 % |
| Baseball fields | 6 | 1.3 % |
| Basketball courts | 7 | 1.6 % |
| BMX park/pump track | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Bocce ball | 7 | 1.6 % |
| Community gardens | 7 | 1.6 % |
| Disc golf | 3 | 0.7 % |
| Fishing pier | 6 | 1.3 % |
| Inline/roller skate park | 1 | 0.2 % |
| Large community parks | 3 | 0.7 % |
| Multi-use paved trails (hiking, biking, walking) | 58 | 12.9 % |
| Multi-use unpaved trails (hiking, biking, walking) | 36 | 8.0 % |
| Off-leash dog park | 13 | 2.9 % |
| Outdoor amphitheater/outdoor performing arts venue | 9 | 2.0 % |
| Outdoor exercise/fitness equipment/ropes course/rock climbing | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Pickleball courts | 16 | 3.6 % |
| Picnic areas & shelters | 3 | 0.7 % |
| Playgrounds (including universally accessible) | 14 | 3.1 % |
| Public art | 3 | 0.7 % |
| Publicly accessible open space with trails & benches | 11 | 2.5 % |
| Rectangular sports fields (e.g., soccer, football, lacrosse, rugby) | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Restrooms | 24 | 5.4 % |
| Shade structures | 8 | 1.8 % |
| Skateboard parks | 2 | 0.4 % |
| Small neighborhood parks | 6 | 1.3 % |
| Softball fields | 3 | 0.7 % |
| Splash pad/water park | 13 | 2.9 % |
| Synthetic turf fields | 2 | 0.4 % |
| Tennis courts | 5 | 1.1 % |
| Trees & landscaping | 7 | 1.6 % |
| Walking/jogging track | 11 | 2.5 % |
| Water access (canoeing, kayak launch) | 15 | 3.3 % |
| Waterfront parks | 25 | 5.6 % |
| Other | 6 | 1.3 % |
| None chosen | 81 | 18.1 % |
| Total | 448 | 100.0 % |

Q10. Which FOUR facilities/amenities from the list in Question 9 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household?

| Q10. 2nd choice | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| ADA accessible parks & walking trails | 2 | 0.4 % |
| Additional parking | 5 | 1.1 % |
| Baseball fields | 2 | 0.4 % |
| Basketball courts | 3 | 0.7 % |
| BMX park/pump track | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Bocce ball | 7 | 1.6 % |
| Community gardens | 15 | 3.3 % |
| Disc golf | 1 | 0.2 % |
| Fishing pier | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Inline/roller skate park | 2 | 0.4 % |
| Large community parks | 5 | 1.1 % |
| Multi-use paved trails (hiking, biking, walking) | 53 | 11.8 % |
| Multi-use unpaved trails (hiking, biking, walking) | 42 | 9.4 % |
| Off-leash dog park | 12 | 2.7 % |
| Outdoor amphitheater/outdoor performing arts venue | 12 | 2.7 % |
| Outdoor exercise/fitness equipment/ropes course/rock climbing | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Pickleball courts | 7 | 1.6 % |
| Picnic areas & shelters | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Playgrounds (including universally accessible) | 11 | 2.5 % |
| Public art | 2 | 0.4 % |
| Publicly accessible open space with trails & benches | 19 | 4.2 % |
| Rectangular sports fields (e.g., soccer, football, lacrosse, rugby) | 3 | 0.7 % |
| Restrooms | 26 | 5.8 % |
| Shade structures | 16 | 3.6 % |
| Skateboard parks | 3 | 0.7 % |
| Small neighborhood parks | 6 | 1.3 % |
| Softball fields | 1 | 0.2 % |
| Splash pad/water park | 15 | 3.3 % |
| Synthetic turf fields | 5 | 1.1 % |
| Tennis courts | 2 | 0.4 % |
| Trees & landscaping | 16 | 3.6 % |
| Walking/jogging track | 9 | 2.0 % |
| Water access (canoeing, kayak launch) | 17 | 3.8 % |
| Waterfront parks | 15 | 3.3 % |
| Other | 1 | 0.2 % |
| None chosen | 97 | 21.7 % |
| Total | 448 | 100.0 % |

Q10. Which FOUR facilities/amenities from the list in Question 9 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household?

| Q10. 3rd choice | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| ADA accessible parks & walking trails | 1 | 0.2 % |
| Additional parking | 6 | 1.3 % |
| Baseball fields | 2 | 0.4 % |
| Basketball courts | 2 | 0.4 % |
| BMX park/pump track | 5 | 1.1 % |
| Bocce ball | 7 | 1.6 % |
| Community gardens | 5 | 1.1 % |
| Disc golf | 3 | 0.7 % |
| Fishing pier | 5 | 1.1 % |
| Inline/roller skate park | 3 | 0.7 % |
| Large community parks | 11 | 2.5 % |
| Multi-use paved trails (hiking, biking, walking) | 20 | 4.5 % |
| Multi-use unpaved trails (hiking, biking, walking) | 29 | 6.5 % |
| Off-leash dog park | 11 | 2.5 % |
| Outdoor amphitheater/outdoor performing arts venue | 23 | 5.1 % |
| Outdoor exercise/fitness equipment/ropes course/rock climbing | 8 | 1.8 % |
| Pickleball courts | 1 | 0.2 % |
| Picnic areas & shelters | 17 | 3.8 % |
| Playgrounds (including universally accessible) | 6 | 1.3 % |
| Public art | 7 | 1.6 % |
| Publicly accessible open space with trails & benches | 17 | 3.8 % |
| Rectangular sports fields (e.g., soccer, football, lacrosse, rugby) | 6 | 1.3 % |
| Restrooms | 41 | 9.2 % |
| Shade structures | 13 | 2.9 % |
| Skateboard parks | 3 | 0.7 % |
| Small neighborhood parks | 11 | 2.5 % |
| Softball fields | 2 | 0.4 % |
| Splash pad/water park | 9 | 2.0 % |
| Synthetic turf fields | 3 | 0.7 % |
| Tennis courts | 2 | 0.4 % |
| Trees & landscaping | 28 | 6.3 % |
| Walking/jogging track | 9 | 2.0 % |
| Water access (canoeing, kayak launch) | 13 | 2.9 % |
| Waterfront parks | 8 | 1.8 % |
| Other | 4 | 0.9 % |
| None chosen | 107 | 23.9 % |
| Total | 448 | 100.0 % |

Q10. Which FOUR facilities/amenities from the list in Question 9 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household?

| Q10. 4th choice | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| ADA accessible parks & walking trails | 2 | 0.4 % |
| Additional parking | 7 | 1.6 % |
| Baseball fields | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Basketball courts | 3 | 0.7 % |
| BMX park/pump track | 2 | 0.4 % |
| Bocce ball | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Community gardens | 13 | 2.9 % |
| Disc golf | 1 | 0.2 % |
| Fishing pier | 6 | 1.3 % |
| Inline/roller skate park | 3 | 0.7 % |
| Large community parks | 3 | 0.7 % |
| Multi-use paved trails (hiking, biking, walking) | 18 | 4.0 % |
| Multi-use unpaved trails (hiking, biking, walking) | 12 | 2.7 % |
| Off-leash dog park | 12 | 2.7 % |
| Outdoor amphitheater/outdoor performing arts venue | 15 | 3.3 % |
| Outdoor exercise/fitness equipment/ropes course/rock climbing | 3 | 0.7 % |
| Pickleball courts | 10 | 2.2 % |
| Picnic areas & shelters | 7 | 1.6 % |
| Playgrounds (including universally accessible) | 9 | 2.0 % |
| Public art | 12 | 2.7 % |
| Publicly accessible open space with trails & benches | 17 | 3.8 % |
| Rectangular sports fields (e.g., soccer, football, lacrosse, rugby) | 1 | 0.2 % |
| Restrooms | 20 | 4.5 % |
| Shade structures | 15 | 3.3 % |
| Skateboard parks | 2 | 0.4 % |
| Small neighborhood parks | 11 | 2.5 % |
| Splash pad/water park | 17 | 3.8 % |
| Synthetic turf fields | 1 | 0.2 % |
| Tennis courts | 7 | 1.6 % |
| Trees & landscaping | 23 | 5.1 % |
| Volleyball courts | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Walking/jogging track | 15 | 3.3 % |
| Water access (canoeing, kayak launch) | 17 | 3.8 % |
| Waterfront parks | 25 | 5.6 % |
| Other | 1 | 0.2 % |
| None chosen | 126 | 28.1 % |
| Total | 448 | 100.0 % |

SUM OF THE TOP FOUR CHOICES**Q10. Which FOUR facilities/amenities from the list in Question 9 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household? (Top 4)**

| Sum of the top four choices | Number | Percent |
|---|-------------|---------|
| ADA accessible parks & walking trails | 24 | 5.4 % |
| Additional parking | 24 | 5.4 % |
| Baseball fields | 14 | 3.1 % |
| Basketball courts | 15 | 3.3 % |
| BMX park/pump track | 15 | 3.3 % |
| Bocce ball | 25 | 5.6 % |
| Community gardens | 40 | 8.9 % |
| Disc golf | 8 | 1.8 % |
| Fishing pier | 21 | 4.7 % |
| Inline/roller skate park | 9 | 2.0 % |
| Large community parks | 22 | 4.9 % |
| Multi-use paved trails (hiking, biking, walking) | 149 | 33.3 % |
| Multi-use unpaved trails (hiking, biking, walking) | 119 | 26.6 % |
| Off-leash dog park | 48 | 10.7 % |
| Outdoor amphitheater/outdoor performing arts venue | 59 | 13.2 % |
| Outdoor exercise/fitness equipment/ropes course/rock climbing | 19 | 4.2 % |
| Pickleball courts | 34 | 7.6 % |
| Picnic areas & shelters | 31 | 6.9 % |
| Playgrounds (including universally accessible) | 40 | 8.9 % |
| Public art | 24 | 5.4 % |
| Publicly accessible open space with trails & benches | 64 | 14.3 % |
| Rectangular sports fields (e.g., soccer, football, lacrosse, rugby) | 14 | 3.1 % |
| Restrooms | 111 | 24.8 % |
| Shade structures | 52 | 11.6 % |
| Skateboard parks | 10 | 2.2 % |
| Small neighborhood parks | 34 | 7.6 % |
| Softball fields | 6 | 1.3 % |
| Splash pad/water park | 54 | 12.1 % |
| Synthetic turf fields | 11 | 2.5 % |
| Tennis courts | 16 | 3.6 % |
| Trees & landscaping | 74 | 16.5 % |
| Volleyball courts | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Walking/jogging track | 44 | 9.8 % |
| Water access (canoeing, kayak launch) | 62 | 13.8 % |
| Waterfront parks | 73 | 16.3 % |
| Other | 12 | 2.7 % |
| None chosen | 81 | 18.1 % |
| Total | 1462 | |

Q11. Please rate your level of support for each of the following actions the City of Benicia could take to improve the parks, trails, and open space system.

(N=448)

| | Very Supportive | Somewhat Supportive | Not Sure | Not Supportive |
|--|-----------------|---------------------|----------|----------------|
| Q11-1. Develop a new outdoor exercise/fitness area | 29.0% | 26.6% | 32.8% | 11.6% |
| Q11-2. Develop new BMX park/pump track | 9.2% | 19.2% | 42.2% | 29.5% |
| Q11-3. Develop new trails | 53.1% | 25.7% | 17.2% | 4.0% |
| Q11-4. Expand use of existing athletic fields by installing lights and/or synthetic turf | 22.1% | 24.8% | 39.1% | 14.1% |
| Q11-5. Improve existing park restrooms | 56.7% | 23.4% | 16.7% | 3.1% |
| Q11-6. Improve existing picnic facilities | 38.2% | 34.2% | 22.3% | 5.4% |
| Q11-7. Improve existing playgrounds/tot lots | 32.1% | 29.9% | 30.6% | 7.4% |
| Q11-8. Improve multi-use outdoor courts (basketball/tennis) | 21.4% | 31.5% | 36.8% | 10.3% |
| Q11-9. Improve park furniture (benches, picnic tables, garbage cans, barbecues) | 35.7% | 34.2% | 24.3% | 5.8% |
| Q11-10. Improve parking lots at parks | 20.5% | 24.1% | 40.4% | 15.0% |
| Q11-11. Improve pickleball courts | 14.1% | 17.2% | 45.8% | 23.0% |
| Q11-12. Improve wayfinding & signage, including interpretation | 16.3% | 26.3% | 42.2% | 15.2% |
| Q11-13. Improve/expand existing trail system (increasing connectivity/accessibility) | 52.7% | 23.2% | 21.4% | 2.7% |
| Q11-14. Improve/expand waterfront parks | 55.1% | 23.9% | 18.5% | 2.5% |
| Q11-15. Invest in tree planting & maintenance | 48.7% | 28.8% | 18.3% | 4.2% |
| Q11-16. Maintain & reinvest in park walking paths | 54.2% | 27.5% | 16.3% | 2.0% |
| Q11-17. Public art | 27.7% | 27.2% | 28.1% | 17.0% |
| Q11-18. Replace some existing turf with low water use plants to conserve water | 41.7% | 23.2% | 26.8% | 8.3% |

Q11. Please rate your level of support for each of the following actions the City of Benicia could take to improve the parks, trails, and open space system.

(N=448)

| | Very Supportive | Somewhat Supportive | Not Sure | Not Supportive |
|--|-----------------|---------------------|----------|----------------|
| Q11-19. Restore barren planting areas, include native plants & habitat | 49.3% | 25.9% | 19.4% | 5.4% |
| Q11-20. Senior-focused amenities | 35.0% | 34.2% | 24.8% | 6.0% |
| Q11-21. Wi-Fi in parks | 18.1% | 14.5% | 32.8% | 34.6% |
| Q11-22. Other | 88.1% | 4.8% | 2.4% | 4.8% |

Q12. Which FOUR actions from the list in Question 11 would you be MOST WILLING to fund?

| Q12. Top choice | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Develop a new outdoor exercise/fitness area | 27 | 6.0 % |
| Develop new BMX park/pump track | 8 | 1.8 % |
| Develop new trails | 52 | 11.6 % |
| Expand use of existing athletic fields by installing lights and/or synthetic turf | 28 | 6.3 % |
| Improve existing park restrooms | 44 | 9.8 % |
| Improve existing picnic facilities | 3 | 0.7 % |
| Improve existing playgrounds/tot lots | 18 | 4.0 % |
| Improve multi-use outdoor courts (basketball/tennis) | 7 | 1.6 % |
| Improve park furniture (benches, picnic tables, garbage cans, barbecues) | 11 | 2.5 % |
| Improve parking lots at parks | 6 | 1.3 % |
| Improve pickleball courts | 16 | 3.6 % |
| Improve wayfinding & signage, including interpretation | 5 | 1.1 % |
| Improve/expand existing trail system (increasing connectivity/accessibility) | 35 | 7.8 % |
| Improve/expand waterfront parks | 24 | 5.4 % |
| Invest in tree planting & maintenance | 16 | 3.6 % |
| Maintain & reinvest in park walking paths | 12 | 2.7 % |
| Public art | 2 | 0.4 % |
| Replace some existing turf with low water use plants to conserve water | 26 | 5.8 % |
| Restore barren planting areas, include native plants & habitat | 5 | 1.1 % |
| Senior-focused amenities | 21 | 4.7 % |
| Wi-Fi in parks | 10 | 2.2 % |
| Other | 14 | 3.1 % |
| None chosen | 58 | 12.9 % |
| Total | 448 | 100.0 % |

Q12. Which FOUR actions from the list in Question 11 would you be MOST WILLING to fund?

| Q12. 2nd choice | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Develop a new outdoor exercise/fitness area | 13 | 2.9 % |
| Develop new BMX park/pump track | 10 | 2.2 % |
| Develop new trails | 29 | 6.5 % |
| Expand use of existing athletic fields by installing lights and/or synthetic turf | 14 | 3.1 % |
| Improve existing park restrooms | 33 | 7.4 % |
| Improve existing picnic facilities | 14 | 3.1 % |
| Improve existing playgrounds/tot lots | 12 | 2.7 % |
| Improve multi-use outdoor courts (basketball/tennis) | 6 | 1.3 % |
| Improve park furniture (benches, picnic tables, garbage cans, barbecues) | 24 | 5.4 % |
| Improve parking lots at parks | 5 | 1.1 % |
| Improve pickleball courts | 9 | 2.0 % |
| Improve wayfinding & signage, including interpretation | 8 | 1.8 % |
| Improve/expand existing trail system (increasing connectivity/accessibility) | 37 | 8.3 % |
| Improve/expand waterfront parks | 34 | 7.6 % |
| Invest in tree planting & maintenance | 26 | 5.8 % |
| Maintain & reinvest in park walking paths | 23 | 5.1 % |
| Public art | 6 | 1.3 % |
| Replace some existing turf with low water use plants to conserve water | 18 | 4.0 % |
| Restore barren planting areas, include native plants & habitat | 32 | 7.1 % |
| Senior-focused amenities | 15 | 3.3 % |
| Wi-Fi in parks | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Other | 3 | 0.7 % |
| None chosen | 73 | 16.3 % |
| Total | 448 | 100.0 % |

Q12. Which FOUR actions from the list in Question 11 would you be MOST WILLING to fund?

| Q12. 3rd choice | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Develop a new outdoor exercise/fitness area | 11 | 2.5 % |
| Develop new BMX park/pump track | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Develop new trails | 20 | 4.5 % |
| Expand use of existing athletic fields by installing lights and/or synthetic turf | 15 | 3.3 % |
| Improve existing park restrooms | 25 | 5.6 % |
| Improve existing picnic facilities | 11 | 2.5 % |
| Improve existing playgrounds/tot lots | 12 | 2.7 % |
| Improve multi-use outdoor courts (basketball/tennis) | 5 | 1.1 % |
| Improve park furniture (benches, picnic tables, garbage cans, barbecues) | 12 | 2.7 % |
| Improve parking lots at parks | 7 | 1.6 % |
| Improve pickleball courts | 6 | 1.3 % |
| Improve wayfinding & signage, including interpretation | 11 | 2.5 % |
| Improve/expand existing trail system (increasing connectivity/accessibility) | 42 | 9.4 % |
| Improve/expand waterfront parks | 40 | 8.9 % |
| Invest in tree planting & maintenance | 38 | 8.5 % |
| Maintain & reinvest in park walking paths | 30 | 6.7 % |
| Public art | 10 | 2.2 % |
| Replace some existing turf with low water use plants to conserve water | 22 | 4.9 % |
| Restore barren planting areas, include native plants & habitat | 27 | 6.0 % |
| Senior-focused amenities | 11 | 2.5 % |
| Wi-Fi in parks | 6 | 1.3 % |
| None chosen | 83 | 18.5 % |
| Total | 448 | 100.0 % |

Q12. Which FOUR actions from the list in Question 11 would you be MOST WILLING to fund?

| Q12. 4th choice | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Develop a new outdoor exercise/fitness area | 12 | 2.7 % |
| Develop new BMX park/pump track | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Develop new trails | 17 | 3.8 % |
| Expand use of existing athletic fields by installing lights and/or synthetic turf | 10 | 2.2 % |
| Improve existing park restrooms | 27 | 6.0 % |
| Improve existing picnic facilities | 10 | 2.2 % |
| Improve existing playgrounds/tot lots | 11 | 2.5 % |
| Improve multi-use outdoor courts (basketball/tennis) | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Improve park furniture (benches, picnic tables, garbage cans, barbecues) | 25 | 5.6 % |
| Improve parking lots at parks | 7 | 1.6 % |
| Improve pickleball courts | 8 | 1.8 % |
| Improve wayfinding & signage, including interpretation | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Improve/expand existing trail system (increasing connectivity/accessibility) | 13 | 2.9 % |
| Improve/expand waterfront parks | 27 | 6.0 % |
| Invest in tree planting & maintenance | 22 | 4.9 % |
| Maintain & reinvest in park walking paths | 41 | 9.2 % |
| Public art | 12 | 2.7 % |
| Replace some existing turf with low water use plants to conserve water | 16 | 3.6 % |
| Restore barren planting areas, include native plants & habitat | 33 | 7.4 % |
| Senior-focused amenities | 16 | 3.6 % |
| Wi-Fi in parks | 11 | 2.5 % |
| Other | 1 | 0.2 % |
| None chosen | 117 | 26.1 % |
| Total | 448 | 100.0 % |

SUM OF THE TOP FOUR CHOICES**Q12. Which FOUR actions from the list in Question 11 would you be MOST WILLING to fund? (Top 4)**

| Sum of the top four choices | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Develop a new outdoor exercise/fitness area | 63 | 14.1 % |
| Develop new BMX park/pump track | 26 | 5.8 % |
| Develop new trails | 118 | 26.3 % |
| Expand use of existing athletic fields by installing lights and/or synthetic turf | 67 | 15.0 % |
| Improve existing park restrooms | 129 | 28.8 % |
| Improve existing picnic facilities | 38 | 8.5 % |
| Improve existing playgrounds/tot lots | 53 | 11.8 % |
| Improve multi-use outdoor courts (basketball/tennis) | 22 | 4.9 % |
| Improve park furniture (benches, picnic tables, garbage cans, barbecues) | 72 | 16.1 % |
| Improve parking lots at parks | 25 | 5.6 % |
| Improve pickleball courts | 39 | 8.7 % |
| Improve wayfinding & signage, including interpretation | 28 | 6.3 % |
| Improve/expand existing trail system (increasing connectivity/accessibility) | 127 | 28.3 % |
| Improve/expand waterfront parks | 125 | 27.9 % |
| Invest in tree planting & maintenance | 102 | 22.8 % |
| Maintain & reinvest in park walking paths | 106 | 23.7 % |
| Public art | 30 | 6.7 % |
| Replace some existing turf with low water use plants to conserve water | 82 | 18.3 % |
| Restore barren planting areas, include native plants & habitat | 97 | 21.7 % |
| Senior-focused amenities | 63 | 14.1 % |
| Wi-Fi in parks | 31 | 6.9 % |
| Other | 18 | 4.0 % |
| None chosen | 58 | 12.9 % |
| Total | 1519 | |

Q13. How supportive are you of a new Parks, Landscape & Lighting District parcel assessment to fund capital maintenance and the types of parks and trail improvements that you indicated in Question 12 are most important to you and your household?

| | Number | Percent |
|---------------------|--------|---------|
| Very supportive | 164 | 36.6 % |
| Somewhat supportive | 153 | 34.2 % |
| Not sure | 69 | 15.4 % |
| Not supportive | 62 | 13.8 % |
| Total | 448 | 100.0 % |

Q14. If you had an additional \$100, how would you allocate the funds among the types of amenities listed below?

| | Mean | Percent | Amount |
|---|---------------|----------------|------------------|
| Reinvest in existing trail system | 30.9 | 15.93% | \$ 15.93 |
| Add new park furniture (benches, picnic tables, garbage cans) | 23.75 | 12.24% | \$ 12.24 |
| Reinvest in existing parks (e.g., playgrounds, shelters, sports fields) | 30.2 | 15.57% | \$ 15.57 |
| Develop new trails (increasing connectivity/accessibility) | 31.88 | 16.43% | \$ 16.43 |
| Develop new parks or add new park amenities | 24.08 | 12.41% | \$ 12.41 |
| Develop new sports fields (e.g., softball, soccer, baseball, etc.) | 25.32 | 13.05% | \$ 13.05 |
| Develop new court sports (e.g., bocce ball, pickleball, etc.) | 27.88 | 14.37% | \$ 14.37 |
| Total | 194.01 | 100.00% | \$ 100.00 |

Q15. Please CHECK ALL the ways you learn about City of Benicia parks, trails, and programs.

| | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| The Activity Guide | 246 | 54.9 % |
| City website | 201 | 44.9 % |
| Materials at parks or recreation facilities | 100 | 22.3 % |
| Conversations with City staff | 27 | 6.0 % |
| Newspaper | 89 | 19.9 % |
| Friends & neighbors | 303 | 67.6 % |
| Promotions at special events | 65 | 14.5 % |
| Banners at parks or City facilities | 89 | 19.9 % |
| Email/e-blasts from City | 114 | 25.4 % |
| Facebook | 103 | 23.0 % |
| Twitter | 2 | 0.4 % |
| Instagram | 28 | 6.3 % |
| Flyers | 34 | 7.6 % |
| Other | 56 | 12.5 % |
| Total | 1457 | |

Q15-14. Other

| Q15-14. Other | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Nextdoor | 9 | 16.1 % |
| Exploring | 7 | 12.5 % |
| Google | 5 | 8.9 % |
| BENICIA MAGAZINE | 3 | 5.4 % |
| Google, Yelp | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Benicia neighborhood | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Benicia Happenings Magazine | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Visit | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Google Maps and other trail/map apps | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Cleanup events, non-alcohol dance hall for young adults | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Observation | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Street sweeping flyer | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Magazine | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Ben Mag Grapevines | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Going there in person | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Finding them | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Driving around, Nextdoor | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Google Earth | 1 | 1.8 % |
| GoLook | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Walking around neighborhood/city | 1 | 1.8 % |
| City library, post office | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Grew up here | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Walk/run, bike and find them | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Driving around City | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Text | 1 | 1.8 % |
| REC APP | 1 | 1.8 % |
| City travel | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Hiking app | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Signage at parks | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Ride around | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Benicia Magazine, Running Ground | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Social Media Benicia Happenings | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Driving around town | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Living here | 1 | 1.8 % |
| By using | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Mail | 1 | 1.8 % |
| Total | 56 | 100.0 % |

Q16. From the list in Question 15, which THREE methods of communication would you MOST PREFER the City use to communicate with you about parks, trails, and programs?

| Q16. Top choice | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| The Activity Guide | 97 | 21.7 % |
| City website | 74 | 16.5 % |
| Materials at parks or recreation facilities | 13 | 2.9 % |
| Conversations with City staff | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Newspaper | 16 | 3.6 % |
| Friends & neighbors | 17 | 3.8 % |
| Promotions at special events | 6 | 1.3 % |
| Banners at parks or City facilities | 10 | 2.2 % |
| Email/e-blasts from City | 80 | 17.9 % |
| Facebook | 39 | 8.7 % |
| Instagram | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Flyers | 9 | 2.0 % |
| Other | 6 | 1.3 % |
| None chosen | 73 | 16.3 % |
| Total | 448 | 100.0 % |

Q16. From the list in Question 15, which THREE methods of communication would you MOST PREFER the City use to communicate with you about parks, trails, and programs?

| Q16. 2nd choice | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| The Activity Guide | 69 | 15.4 % |
| City website | 82 | 18.3 % |
| Materials at parks or recreation facilities | 25 | 5.6 % |
| Conversations with City staff | 2 | 0.4 % |
| Newspaper | 25 | 5.6 % |
| Friends & neighbors | 11 | 2.5 % |
| Promotions at special events | 16 | 3.6 % |
| Banners at parks or City facilities | 22 | 4.9 % |
| Email/e-blasts from City | 36 | 8.0 % |
| Facebook | 24 | 5.4 % |
| Instagram | 10 | 2.2 % |
| Flyers | 10 | 2.2 % |
| Other | 8 | 1.8 % |
| None chosen | 108 | 24.1 % |
| Total | 448 | 100.0 % |

Q16. From the list in Question 15, which THREE methods of communication would you MOST PREFER the City use to communicate with you about parks, trails, and programs?

| Q16. 3rd choice | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| The Activity Guide | 34 | 7.6 % |
| City website | 48 | 10.7 % |
| Materials at parks or recreation facilities | 29 | 6.5 % |
| Conversations with City staff | 5 | 1.1 % |
| Newspaper | 18 | 4.0 % |
| Friends & neighbors | 26 | 5.8 % |
| Promotions at special events | 16 | 3.6 % |
| Banners at parks or City facilities | 27 | 6.0 % |
| Email/e-blasts from City | 36 | 8.0 % |
| Facebook | 33 | 7.4 % |
| Twitter | 1 | 0.2 % |
| Instagram | 8 | 1.8 % |
| Flyers | 11 | 2.5 % |
| Other | 4 | 0.9 % |
| None chosen | 152 | 33.9 % |
| Total | 448 | 100.0 % |

SUM OF THE TOP THREE CHOICES

Q16. From the list in Question 15, which THREE methods of communication would you MOST PREFER the City use to communicate with you about parks, trails, and programs? (Top 3)

| Sum of the top three choices | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| The Activity Guide | 200 | 44.6 % |
| City website | 204 | 45.5 % |
| Materials at parks or recreation facilities | 67 | 15.0 % |
| Conversations with City staff | 11 | 2.5 % |
| Newspaper | 59 | 13.2 % |
| Friends & neighbors | 54 | 12.1 % |
| Promotions at special events | 38 | 8.5 % |
| Banners at parks or City facilities | 59 | 13.2 % |
| Email/e-blasts from City | 152 | 33.9 % |
| Facebook | 96 | 21.4 % |
| Twitter | 1 | 0.2 % |
| Instagram | 22 | 4.9 % |
| Flyers | 30 | 6.7 % |
| Other | 18 | 4.0 % |
| None chosen | 73 | 16.3 % |
| Total | 1084 | |

Q17. Given the recent COVID-19/Coronavirus Pandemic, how has your household's perception of the value of Benicia's parks, trails, and open space system changed?

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Value has significantly increased | 200 | 44.6 % |
| Value has somewhat increased | 105 | 23.4 % |
| No change | 116 | 25.9 % |
| Value has somewhat decreased | 12 | 2.7 % |
| Value has significantly decreased | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Not provided | 11 | 2.5 % |
| Total | 448 | 100.0 % |

WITHOUT NOT PROVIDED RESPONSES

Q17. Given the recent COVID-19/Coronavirus Pandemic, how has your household's perception of the value of Benicia's parks, trails, and open space system changed? (without "not provided")

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Value has significantly increased | 200 | 45.8 % |
| Value has somewhat increased | 105 | 24.0 % |
| No change | 116 | 26.5 % |
| Value has somewhat decreased | 12 | 2.7 % |
| Value has significantly decreased | 4 | 0.9 % |
| Total | 437 | 100.0 % |

Q18. Based on your perception of value, how would you want the City to fund future parks, trails, and open space needs?

| | Number | Percent |
|----------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Increase funding | 235 | 52.5 % |
| Maintain existing funding levels | 144 | 32.1 % |
| Reduce funding | 7 | 1.6 % |
| Not sure | 48 | 10.7 % |
| Not provided | 14 | 3.1 % |
| Total | 448 | 100.0 % |

WITHOUT NOT PROVIDED RESPONSES

Q18. Based on your perception of value, how would you want the City to fund future parks, trails, and open space needs? (without "not provided")

| | Number | Percent |
|----------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Increase funding | 235 | 54.1 % |
| Maintain existing funding levels | 144 | 33.2 % |
| Reduce funding | 7 | 1.6 % |
| Not sure | 48 | 11.1 % |
| Total | 434 | 100.0 % |

Q19. Your gender:

| | Number | Percent |
|-------------------------|--------|---------|
| Male | 216 | 48.2 % |
| Female | 216 | 48.2 % |
| Prefer not to answer | 15 | 3.3 % |
| Prefer to self-describe | 1 | 0.2 % |
| Total | 448 | 100.0 % |

WITHOUT PREFER NOT TO ANSWER RESPONSES

Q19. Your gender: (without "prefer not to answer")

| | Number | Percent |
|-------------------------|--------|---------|
| Male | 216 | 49.9 % |
| Female | 216 | 49.9 % |
| Prefer to self-describe | 1 | 0.2 % |
| Total | 433 | 100.0 % |

Q20. Including yourself, how many people in your household are...

| | Mean | Sum | Percent |
|-------------|------|------|---------|
| number | 2.5 | 1063 | 100.0% |
| Under age 5 | 0.1 | 53 | 5.0% |
| Ages 5-9 | 0.2 | 67 | 6.3% |
| Ages 10-14 | 0.1 | 64 | 6.0% |
| Ages 15-19 | 0.1 | 44 | 4.1% |
| Ages 20-24 | 0.1 | 40 | 3.8% |
| Ages 25-34 | 0.2 | 91 | 8.6% |
| Ages 35-44 | 0.3 | 129 | 12.1% |
| Ages 45-54 | 0.3 | 138 | 13.0% |
| Ages 55-64 | 0.4 | 190 | 17.9% |
| Ages 65-74 | 0.4 | 188 | 17.7% |
| Ages 75-84 | 0.1 | 50 | 4.7% |
| Ages 85+ | 0 | 9 | 0.8% |

Q21. Your age:

| | Number | Percent |
|--------------|--------|---------|
| 18-34 | 71 | 15.8 % |
| 35-44 | 77 | 17.2 % |
| 45-54 | 83 | 18.5 % |
| 55-64 | 97 | 21.7 % |
| 65+ | 102 | 22.8 % |
| Not provided | 18 | 4.0 % |
| Total | 448 | 100.0 % |

WITHOUT NOT PROVIDED RESPONSES

Q21. Your age: (without "not provided")

| | Number | Percent |
|-------|--------|---------|
| 18-34 | 71 | 16.5 % |
| 35-44 | 77 | 17.9 % |
| 45-54 | 83 | 19.3 % |
| 55-64 | 97 | 22.6 % |
| 65+ | 102 | 23.7 % |
| Total | 430 | 100.0 % |

Q22. How many years have you lived in Benicia?

| | Number | Percent |
|--------------|--------|---------|
| 0-5 | 59 | 13.2 % |
| 6-10 | 43 | 9.6 % |
| 11-15 | 33 | 7.4 % |
| 16-20 | 33 | 7.4 % |
| 21-30 | 123 | 27.5 % |
| 31+ | 148 | 33.0 % |
| Not provided | 9 | 2.0 % |
| Total | 448 | 100.0 % |

WITHOUT NOT PROVIDED RESPONSES**Q22. How many years have you lived in Benicia? (without "not provided")**

| | Number | Percent |
|-------|--------|---------|
| 0-5 | 59 | 13.4 % |
| 6-10 | 43 | 9.8 % |
| 11-15 | 33 | 7.5 % |
| 16-20 | 33 | 7.5 % |
| 21-30 | 123 | 28.0 % |
| 31+ | 148 | 33.7 % |
| Total | 439 | 100.0 % |

Q23. Which of the following best describes your race/ethnicity?

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------------|--------|---------|
| Asian/Pacific Islander | 49 | 10.9 % |
| Black/African American | 13 | 2.9 % |
| Native American | 1 | 0.2 % |
| White/Caucasian | 323 | 72.1 % |
| Hispanic | 57 | 12.7 % |
| Other | 7 | 1.6 % |
| Total | 450 | |

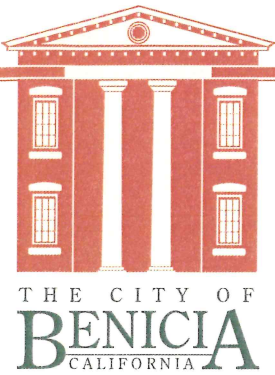
Q23-6. Self-describe your race/ethnicity:

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Mixed | 2 | 28.6 % |
| Native American/European mix | 1 | 14.3 % |
| Multiple | 1 | 14.3 % |
| European | 1 | 14.3 % |
| Filipino | 1 | 14.3 % |
| South Asian | 1 | 14.3 % |
| Total | 7 | 100.0 % |



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Survey Instrument



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Dear Benicia Resident:

To better serve you and your family in the future, the City of Benicia has embarked on an update of the City's 1997 Parks, Trails & Open Space Master Plan. The Master Plan is dependent upon input from the community to guide and prioritize the next generation of investments in our parks, trails, and open space system. Part of this process is to hear from you and other Benicians through a community-wide survey.

Your response to the enclosed survey is extremely important...

Your household was one of a limited number randomly selected to receive this survey, therefore, it is very important that you participate to help the City develop a broad understanding of the community's interests that will guide future investments.

We appreciate your time...

We realize that this survey will take approximately 10 to 15 minutes to complete, but each question is important. The time you invest in completing this survey will aid the City of Benicia in taking a resident-driven approach to making decisions that will enrich the future of our community and positively affect the lives of its residents.

Please complete and return your survey within the next two weeks...

The ETC Institute, an independent consulting company that is our partner in administering this survey, will compile the data received and present the results to the Benicia Parks & Community Services Department. The compiled results will then be available to the community, but **your individual responses will remain confidential**. Please return your completed survey in the enclosed postage-paid envelope addressed to ETC Institute, 725 W. Frontier Circle, Olathe, KS 66061. If you prefer, you can complete the survey online at www.beniciasurvey.org.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (707) 746-4285 or by email at mdotson@ci.benicia.ca.us. The survey is a tool that will benefit all Benicia residents. Please take this opportunity to let your voice be heard!

Sincerely,

Mike Dotson

Director of Parks & Community Services

City of Benicia Parks, Trails, and Open Space Master Plan

Let your voice be heard today!

The City of Benicia would like your input to help determine parks, trails and open space priorities for our community. Parks and trails contribute significantly to our quality of life in Benicia. Since this survey will inform a long-term plan, please answer the questions in pre-COVID conditions. This survey will take 10-15 minutes to complete. When you are finished, please return your survey in the enclosed postage-paid, return-reply envelope. If you prefer, you can complete the survey online at BeniciaSurvey.org. Your opinions are very important to us, and we greatly appreciate and value your time!

1. Have you or any member of your household visited any City of Benicia parks or trails during the last 2 years?

___(1) Yes [Answer Q1a-b.] ___(2) No [Skip to Q2.]

1a. How often have you or any member of your household visited City of Benicia parks and trails during the last 2 years?

___(1) More than 5 times a week ___(3) Once a week ___(5) Less than once a month
 ___(2) 2-4 times a week ___(4) 1-3 times a month ___(9) Don't know

1b. Overall, how would you rate the physical condition of ALL the City of Benicia parks and trails you have visited?

___(1) Excellent ___(2) Good ___(3) Fair ___(4) Poor

2. Please rate your level of agreement with the following statements about some potential benefits of the City of Benicia's parks, trails, and open space system by circling the corresponding number.

| The parks, trails, and open space system in Benicia... | Strongly Agree | Agree | Neutral | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
|--|----------------|-------|---------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| 01. Attracts new residents and businesses | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 02. Reduces crime in my neighborhood and keeps kids out of trouble | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 03. Improves my (my household's) mental health and reduces stress | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 04. Improves my (my household's) physical health and fitness | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 05. Increases my (my household's) property value | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 06. Is age-friendly and accessible to all age groups | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 07. Makes Benicia a more desirable place to live | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 08. Positively impacts economic/business development | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 09. Preserves open space and protects the environment | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 10. Promotes tourism to the city and the region | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 11. Provides jobs/professional development for youth | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 12. Provides positive social interactions for me (my household/family) | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 13. Provides volunteer opportunities for the community | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 |

3. Please check all the reasons that prevent you or other members of your household from using City of Benicia parks or trails more often, before the COVID-19 Pandemic.

- | | |
|--|--|
| ___(01) Use parks/trails in other cities | ___(08) Not aware of parks' or trails' locations |
| ___(02) Too far from your home | ___(09) Lack of transportation |
| ___(03) Parks/Trails are not well maintained | ___(10) Lack of restrooms |
| ___(04) Lack of features we want to use | ___(11) Lack of trust in government |
| ___(05) Lack of parking to access parks/trails | ___(12) Language/Cultural barriers |
| ___(06) Do not feel safe using parks/trails | ___(13) Lack of wayfinding signage |
| ___(07) Lack of handicap accessibility | ___(14) Other: _____ |

4. Please check all the upgrades or additions you would like to see at existing parks in the City of Benicia.

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> (01) Artificial turf fields | <input type="checkbox"/> (17) Public art |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (02) Baseball/Softball diamonds | <input type="checkbox"/> (18) Restrooms |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (03) Basketball courts (outdoor) | <input type="checkbox"/> (19) Seating/Benches |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (04) Bike racks | <input type="checkbox"/> (20) Security cameras and lighting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (05) Bike repair stations | <input type="checkbox"/> (21) Shade structures |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (06) Bike trails | <input type="checkbox"/> (22) Sidewalks |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (07) Canoe/Kayak launch | <input type="checkbox"/> (23) Signage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (08) Disc Golf | <input type="checkbox"/> (24) Soccer fields |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (09) Drinking fountains | <input type="checkbox"/> (25) Sports fields lighting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (10) Fitness equipment (outdoor) | <input type="checkbox"/> (26) Tennis courts (outdoor) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (11) Handicap accessibility | <input type="checkbox"/> (27) Pathways |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (12) Parking | <input type="checkbox"/> (28) Trees and landscaping |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (13) Permanent outdoor games (ping-pong, corn hole) | <input type="checkbox"/> (29) Volleyball courts (outdoor) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (14) Pickleball courts (outdoor) | <input type="checkbox"/> (30) Walking/Hiking trails |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (15) Picnic shelters | <input type="checkbox"/> (31) Wi-Fi |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (16) Playground equipment | <input type="checkbox"/> (32) Other: _____ |

5. What types of trails would you like to have more of in the City of Benicia? [Check all that apply.]

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> (1) Walking/Hiking | <input type="checkbox"/> (6) Looped trails around schools and parks |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (2) Mountain biking | <input type="checkbox"/> (7) Water trails for kayaks, outrigger canoes, Stand Up Paddleboards, and other non-motorized small boats |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (3) Off-road | <input type="checkbox"/> (8) Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (4) Bike lanes | <input type="checkbox"/> (9) None of these |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (5) More sidewalks | |

6. Please CHECK ALL of the following destinations that you or other members of your household would most like to get to by using trails.

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> (01) Natural areas and open space | <input type="checkbox"/> (06) Public transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (02) Other greenway trails | <input type="checkbox"/> (07) School |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (03) Waterfront parks | <input type="checkbox"/> (08) Shops and restaurants |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (04) Parks and playgrounds | <input type="checkbox"/> (09) Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (05) Place of work | <input type="checkbox"/> (10) None; I do not want to use trails |

7. Please rate your level of support for the city completing each of the following trail projects.

| Level of support for the city completing... | | Very Supportive | Somewhat Supportive | Not Sure | Not Supportive |
|---|--|-----------------|---------------------|----------|----------------|
| 1. | The shoreline pathway and the shared alignment of the Bay, Ridge, and Delta Trails (Carquinez Strait Scenic Loop Trail) from the Benicia-Martinez Bridge to the downtown waterfront to Benicia State Recreation Area | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 2. | The Crosstown Trail from Benicia State Recreation Area through the Braitto Open Space and Jack London Park to Benicia Community Park, Lake Herman Regional Park, and the Rose Drive pathway along the Water's End neighborhood | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 3. | A comprehensive open space trail system at Lake Herman Regional Park and Benicia Community Park | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 4. | New open space trails to create smaller trail loops that are accessible by foot or bike for Southampton residents | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 5. | New pathways within and connecting to parks | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |

8. Which TWO improvements from the list in Question 7 should receive the highest priority from city leaders? [Write in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 7, or circle "NONE."]

1st: _____ 2nd: _____ NONE

9. Please indicate if you or any member of your household has an interest for each of the park facilities and amenities in the City of Benicia listed below by circling either "Yes" or "No." If "Yes," please rate how well your needs for facilities of this type are being met using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means they are "100% Met" and 1 means "0% Met."

| | Type of Facility/Amenity | Do you have a need for this facility/amenity?? | | If "Yes," how well are your needs being met? | | | | |
|-----|---|--|----|--|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| | | Yes | No | 100% Met | 75% Met | 50% Met | 25% Met | 0% Met |
| 01. | ADA Accessible parks and walking trails | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 02. | Additional parking | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 03. | Baseball fields | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 04. | Basketball courts | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 05. | BMX park/pump track | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 06. | Bocce ball | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 07. | Community gardens | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 08. | Disc Golf | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 09. | Fishing pier | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 10. | Inline/Roller skate park | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 11. | Large community parks | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 12. | Multi-use paved trails (hiking, biking, walking) | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 13. | Multi-use unpaved trails (hiking, biking, walking) | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 14. | Off-leash dog park | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 15. | Outdoor amphitheater/outdoor performing arts venue | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 16. | Outdoor exercise/fitness equipment/ropes course/rock climbing | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 17. | Pickleball courts | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 18. | Picnic areas and shelters | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 19. | Playgrounds (including universally accessible) | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 20. | Public art | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 21. | Publicly accessible open space with trails and benches | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 22. | Rectangular sports fields (e.g., soccer, football, lacrosse, rugby) | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 23. | Restrooms | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 24. | Shade structures | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 25. | Skateboard parks | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 26. | Small neighborhood parks | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 27. | Softball fields | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 28. | Splash pad/water park | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 29. | Synthetic turf fields | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 30. | Tennis courts | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 31. | Trees and landscaping | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 32. | Volleyball courts | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 33. | Walking/Jogging track | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 34. | Water access (canoeing, kayak launch) | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 35. | Waterfront parks | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 36. | Other: _____ | Yes | No | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |

10. Which FOUR facilities/amenities from the list in Question 9 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household? [Write in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 9, or circle "NONE."]

1st: _____ 2nd: _____ 3rd: _____ 4th: _____ NONE

11. Please rate your level of support for each of the following actions the City of Benicia could take to improve the parks, trails and open space system.

| | Types of Improvements | Very Supportive | Somewhat Supportive | Not Sure | Not Supportive |
|-----|---|-----------------|---------------------|----------|----------------|
| 01. | Develop a new outdoor exercise/fitness area | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 02. | Develop new BMX park/pump track | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 03. | Develop new trails | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 04. | Expand use of existing athletic fields by installing lights and/or synthetic turf | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 05. | Improve existing park restrooms | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 06. | Improve existing picnic facilities | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 07. | Improve existing playgrounds/tot lots | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 08. | Improve multi-use outdoor courts (basketball/tennis) | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 09. | Improve park furniture (benches, picnic tables, garbage cans, barbecues) | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 10. | Improve parking lots at parks | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 11. | Improve pickleball courts | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 12. | Improve wayfinding and signage, including interpretation | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 13. | Improve/Expand existing trail system (increasing connectivity/accessibility) | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 14. | Improve/Expand waterfront parks | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 15. | Invest in tree planting and maintenance | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 16. | Maintain and reinvest in park walking paths | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 17. | Public art | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 18. | Replace some existing turf with low water use plants to conserve water | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 19. | Restore barren planting areas, include native plants and habitat | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 20. | Senior-focused amenities | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 21. | Wi-Fi in parks | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 22. | Other: _____ | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |

12. Which FOUR actions from the list in Question 11 would you be MOST WILLING to fund? [Write in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 11, or circle "NONE."]

1st: ____ 2nd: ____ 3rd: ____ 4th: ____ NONE

13. How supportive are you of a new Parks, Landscape & Lighting District parcel assessment to fund capital maintenance and the types of parks and trail improvements that you indicated in Question 12 are most important to you and your household?

____(1) Very Supportive ____ (2) Somewhat Supportive ____ (3) Not Sure ____ (4) Not Supportive

14. If you had an additional \$100, how would you allocate the funds among the types of amenities listed below? [Please be sure your total adds up to \$100.]

- \$ _____ Reinvest in existing trail system
- \$ _____ Add new park furniture (benches, picnic tables, garbage cans)
- \$ _____ Reinvest in existing parks (e.g., playgrounds, shelters, sports fields)
- \$ _____ Develop new trails (increasing connectivity/accessibility)
- \$ _____ Develop new parks or add new park amenities
- \$ _____ Develop new sports fields (e.g., softball, soccer, baseball, etc.)
- \$ _____ Develop new court sports (e.g., bocce ball, pickleball, etc.)
- \$ _____ Other: _____

\$100 total

15. Please CHECK ALL of the ways you learn about City of Benicia parks, trails, and programs.

- | | | |
|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> (01) The Activity Guide | <input type="checkbox"/> (05) Newspaper | <input type="checkbox"/> (10) Facebook |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (02) City website | <input type="checkbox"/> (06) Friends and neighbors | <input type="checkbox"/> (11) Twitter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (03) Materials at parks or recreation facilities | <input type="checkbox"/> (07) Promotions at special events | <input type="checkbox"/> (12) Instagram |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (04) Conversations with City staff | <input type="checkbox"/> (08) Banners at parks or City facilities | <input type="checkbox"/> (13) Flyers |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> (09) Email/Eblasts from City | <input type="checkbox"/> (14) Other: _____ |

16. From the list in Question 15, which THREE methods of communication would you MOST PREFER the City use to communicate with you about parks, trails and programs? [Write in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 15, or circle "NONE."]

1st: ____ 2nd: ____ 3rd: ____ NONE

17. Given the recent COVID-19/Coronavirus pandemic, how has your household's perception of the value of Benicia's parks, trails, and open space system changed?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> (1) Value has significantly increased | <input type="checkbox"/> (4) Value has somewhat decreased |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (2) Value has somewhat increased | <input type="checkbox"/> (5) Value has significantly decreased |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (3) No change | |

18. Based on your perception of value, how would you want the City to fund future parks, trails and open space needs?

- (1) Increase funding (2) Maintain existing funding levels (3) Reduce funding (4) Not Sure

19. Your gender:

- | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> (1) Male | <input type="checkbox"/> (3) Non-binary | <input type="checkbox"/> (5) Prefer to self-describe: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (2) Female | <input type="checkbox"/> (4) Prefer not to answer | |

20. Including yourself, how many people in your household are...

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|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Under age 5: ____ | Ages 15-19: ____ | Ages 35-44: ____ | Ages 65-74: ____ |
| Ages 5-9: ____ | Ages 20-24: ____ | Ages 45-54: ____ | Ages 75-84: ____ |
| Ages 10-14: ____ | Ages 25-34: ____ | Ages 55-64: ____ | Ages 85+: ____ |

21. Your age: _____ years

22. How many years have you lived in Benicia? _____ years

23. Which of the following best describes your race/ethnicity?

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|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> (1) Asian/Pacific Islander | <input type="checkbox"/> (4) White/Caucasian | <input type="checkbox"/> (99) Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (2) Black/African American | <input type="checkbox"/> (5) Hispanic | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (3) Native American | | |

24. Please share any additional comments that can assist the City of Benicia in improving the parks, trails, and open space system.

This concludes the survey. Thank you for your time!

Your responses will remain completely confidential. The information to the right will ONLY be used to help identify the level of need in your area. Thank you!

Please return your completed survey in the enclosed return-reply envelope addressed to:

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