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Section 1.0 Community Analysis

Introduction

The Village of New Haven recognizes that an ongoing commitment to its parks and recreation facilities and programs is a vital investment in its future. These programs and facilities have the unique potential to increase an overall quality of life for both current and future generations of Village residents. Promoting personal health and education, fostering economic activity, creating intricate social networks and protecting environmental landscapes are some of the most compelling benefits gained through well-maintained parks and recreation facilities. Ultimately, these benefits are contingent upon a well-planned and executed system of parks, trails, open space, waterway access and recreation programming. The Village of New Haven will strive to cultivate and maintain parks and recreation services that provide residents with a high quality of life and greater appreciation for the community.

In 2002, New Haven developed an initial plan for improving the parks and recreation programs and facilities within the Village. The planning process involved a substantial amount of residential input, including a community survey, public hearings and a series of visioning sessions. A detailed capital improvement program was also developed, which has led to a sizable amount of progress in park space, recreational destinations and environmental preservation initiatives, among others.

This new Parks& Recreation Plan provides the community with a five year work plan and a long range vision to guide future recreation investments. Developed in conjunction with the New Haven Master Plan 2015-2020, this document builds on the research and momentum of that yearlong effort by providing a finely focused examination of the community's recreation needs. This plan will assist with the expansion and advancement of existing parks and recreation programs and facilities. The plan also aims to explore local linkages within the community as well as the role New Haven plays in the expansive network of parks and recreation facilities in Southeast Michigan. New and existing opportunities for partnerships will be examined between the public and private sector including but not limited to; the New Haven Community School district, the neighboring communities of Lenox Township, Chesterfield Township and New Baltimore, Macomb County, the Huron Clinton Metroparks Authority (HCMA) and the State of Michigan.

The Village of New Haven intends to use this plan to: guide decisions on capital improvement projects, guide the acquisition of open space and available public buildings, explore the implementation of future recreation programming, pursue grants via the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund and the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund, and to help determine the best allocation of future Community Development Block Grant funding resources.

Community Description

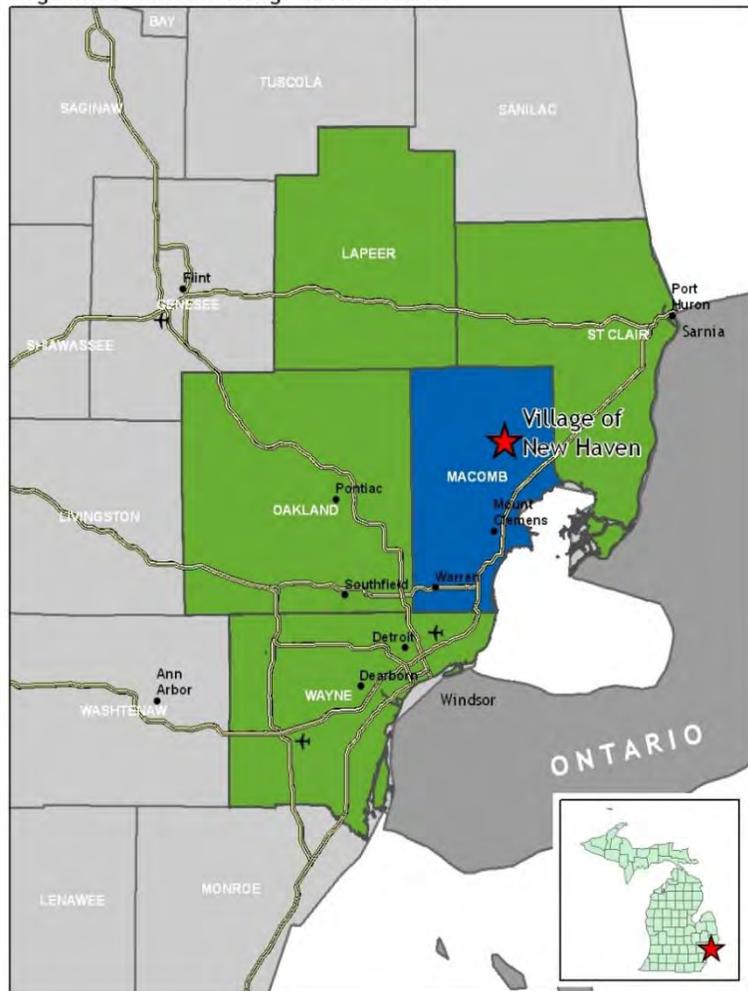
The Village of New Haven, situated in the central portion of northeastern Macomb County, is approximately 40 miles north of Detroit. New Haven is the largest incorporated community in Lenox

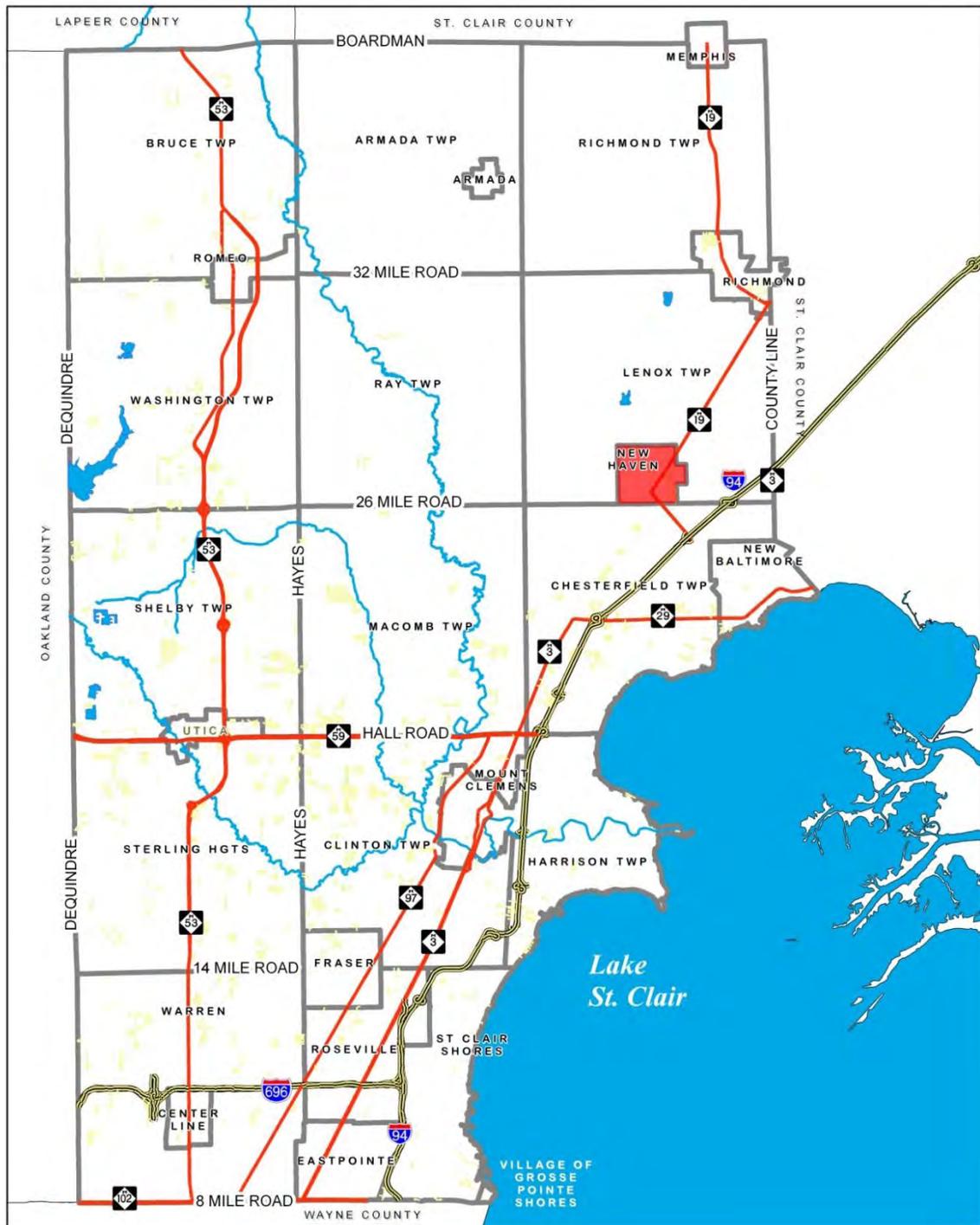
Township. It is within close proximity to both Gratiot Avenue and Interstate 94, which act as regional arterials that provide access to surrounding Mount Clemens, New Baltimore, Chesterfield Township, Richmond and Memphis. The community’s southern border, 26 Mile Road, is shared with Chesterfield Township. New Haven Road and Gratiot are the most prominent thoroughfares, connecting the Village to neighboring communities in southeast Michigan. New Haven has experienced over a 50% increase in its population over the past decade, with a projected increase of nearly 15% by 2020. The City’s population is projected to continue its upward trend beyond 2020: Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) estimates that the population will reach 5,535 by 2040. The Village’s parks and recreation programs and facilities should be designed to fit this changing demographic and support and sustain its growth.

Regional Location

The Village of New Haven is a 2.5 square mile community situated in the central portion of northeastern Macomb County approximately 40 miles north of the City of Detroit. The community’s southern border, 26 Mile Road, is shared with Chesterfield Township, while the rest of the Village is surrounded by Lenox Township. The location of the Village provides easy access to major transportation networks. Interstate 94, to the east, provides convenient and quick access to areas of regional significance such as Port Huron/Sarnia to the north and Detroit/Windsor to the south. Both of these are major population centers and have international border crossings. New Haven is also connected to both Gratiot Avenue and New Haven Road which provide connectivity to surrounding communities and the greater County.

Regional Location - Village of New Haven





History

The Village of New Haven started out as a small French farming settlement along the banks of the Salt River in Macomb County as early as 1836. In 1859, a large growth boom occurred when the Grand Trunk Railroad established service between Port Huron and Detroit and built a station to handle freight and farm goods produced in the area. The Village was officially incorporated in 1869 and remains the largest incorporated place in Lenox Township.



The period between 1860 and 1900 saw an expansion of agriculture and industry in the area. During this time a saw mill, iron foundry, creamery, grain mill and farm implement and supply were established. Great Lakes ships offloaded cargo from all over the world in New Baltimore. A plank road was constructed between present day New Baltimore and the Village which connected the water shipping route to the Grand Trunk station. Tons of manufactured goods, agricultural products and people were moved by rail from this location to places across the region and the State of Michigan.

In 1914 a fire damaged a considerable number of key businesses and homes within the community. During the mid-20th century the New Haven Foundry was one of the first industries in the area to hire African-American workers. As a result workers and their families soon came to call New Haven their home. This influx of workers contributed greatly to the ethnic and racial diversity of the Village and the surrounding area.

The New Haven school district had its beginnings in the early 1920's with the construction of the first school on Pasco Street. The district later expanded to provide service to residents of portions of four townships outside the village.

During the second half of the 20th century the Village's population grew with the development of several subdivisions and mobile home parks. Disinvestment in the downtown area led to the closing or demolition of many of the key anchor businesses. Commercial development shifted from the central downtown area the Gratiot Avenue corridor.

The period from 2000 to present has seen significant changes in the number of residents and housing developments within the Village. Prior to the economic recession of the mid-2000s New Haven's population doubled in size with an influx of new families as new homes were built and sold. Growth has leveled out since the last census taken in 2010, but the population is forecast to grow at a slow rate over the next two decades.

New Haven is a unique place with a unique history. It's founding as an agricultural hub and local industrial center along the Grand Trunk railroad made it a key community driving the early economy in northeast Macomb County. The resulting diversity of its residents and their commitment to their community has sustained the Village through changing economic times. New Haven is a community

where people are proud of the past and desire to preserve it while at the same time looking forward to growing a bright and prosperous future.

Demographic and Economic Characteristics

In order to develop a parks and recreation plan that is in tune to the current and future needs of the Village of New Haven, a comprehensive demographic and economic analysis of the community is needed. The following sub-sections will highlight a number of significant population and household trends that have shaped the Village. These trends will undoubtedly have an impact on parks and recreation planning. Beyond how many people live in your community, more refined demographic and economic data will paint a more polished picture of the residents of the Village of New Haven.

The characteristics of a community's population are among the key ingredients that are given consideration in any long-range planning process. Historical and current demographic trends have several useful applications. From identifying community needs to strategizing future land use, demographic characteristics provide the foundational resources needed to make effective community-based decisions. The following demographic trends are essential to developing a comprehensive understanding of the characteristics of the Village of New Haven:

- 1) Population change over time
- 2) Population Characteristics – age, race, persons with disabilities
- 3) Household characteristics
- 4) Population projections

The most current available demographic data for the Village of New Haven is employed in the examination of each of the noted topics. The Village leveraged data from the following sources: U.S. Census Bureau's 2010 Census of Population and Housing; U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey (ACS); ESRI Business Analyst; and the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments. Wherever possible, comparable data for Macomb County has been provided for the purpose of understanding the relationship of the Village to its larger geographical area.

Population

The 2010 U.S. Census tabulated the Village's population at 4,642 persons. This represents a population increase of 51.2%, or 1,571 individuals, over the past decade.

Population change over the 70-year period between 1940 and 2010 for New Haven and its neighboring communities is shown in the following table. During this period, the Village's population increased from 904 persons in 1940 to 4,642 persons in 2010, for an increase of 3,738 residents, or an average of 534 persons per decade

Table 1 Population Change 1940-2010

Community	1940	1950	1960	1970	1980	1990	2000	2010
New Haven	904	1,082	1,198	1,855	1,871	2,331	3,071	4,642
Macomb Township	1,935	2,715	4,807	6,140	14,230	22,714	50,478	79,580
New Baltimore	-	2,043	3,159	4,132	5,439	5,798	7,405	12,084
Lenox Township	1,710	1,993	2,356	2,869	3,028	3,069	5,362	5,828
Chesterfield Township	2,004	3,722	5,888	9,378	18,276	25,905	37,405	43,381

Gender

The Village of New Haven’s gender composition is illustrated in the corresponding table. In 2010 the Village’s population was comprised of 54.3% male and 45.7% female.

Table 2 Gender Composition 2010 Comparative

Community	2010	
	Number	Percentage
New Haven	4,642	
Male	2,520	54.3%
Female	2,122	45.7%
Macomb County	840,978	
Male	408,712	48.6%
Female	432,266	51.4%

Age

Age characteristics are useful demographic indicators for parks and recreation planning purposes. For example, a community’s age composition will help determine the appropriate mix of needed recreation services and facilities. A younger population suggests the need for more active recreational services, programs and facilities. An older population would have more demand for walking trails, exercise areas, dance halls, craft rooms, pool rooms and more passive recreational amenities.

Median Age

The steady aging of the region’s population is among the more important trends illustrated by the Census. Both Macomb County and the Village of New Haven have experienced increases in median age among residents. In 2000 Macomb County and the Village of New Haven had media age levels at 36.9 and 29.7 respectively. By 2010 both those numbers rose to 39.9 for Macomb County, and 31.1 for the Village of New Haven. As a whole both the Village and the County are following the national trends of an increasing older population.

Population by Age

By reviewing the various age groupings that make up the population of the Village, it is possible to ascertain how various segments of the Village’s population have changed over time and what impact these changes have had on the Village’s growth. Further examination of these age groups can provide the Village with insight as to the present and future resident demand for age specific parks and recreation programming, services and facilities

Table 3 Population by Age 2000-2010 Village of New Haven

Age	Number	%	Number	%	Change 2000-2010
Under 5	315	10.3%	459	9.9%	45.7%
5-9	258	8.4%	460	9.9%	78.3%
10-19	506	16.5%	726	15.6%	43.5%
20-24	221	7.2%	251	5.4%	13.6%
25-44	1,035	33.7%	1,502	32.4%	45.1%
25-54	359	11.7%	572	12.3%	59.3%
55-59	110	3.6%	233	5.0%	111.8%
60-64	76	2.5%	161	3.5%	111.8%
65-74	126	4.1%	173	3.7%	37.3%
75+	65	2.1%	105	2.3%	61.5%
Totals	3,071	100.0%	4,642	100.0%	51.2%

The distribution of the Village’s population into designated age categories for 2000 and 2010 is shown in table 3. Each of the ten age categories analyzed increased between 2000 and 2010. The largest increases were seen in the 55-59 and 60-64 year old cohorts. The largest segment of the population in 2010 was the 25 to 44 year old age group, with 1,502 persons accounting for 32.4% percent of the total population of the Village.

Age by Life Cycle Category

Obtaining a more expressive picture of the Village’s population age distribution is possible when the individual age categories shown on the previous table are combined into a smaller age related groups, which more closely resemble identifiable stages of a normal human life cycle. Selected categories and the age intervals that they represent include: pre-school (0-4); school (5-19); family formation (20-44); middle-age (45-64); and seniors (65+). The percent of the Village’s population that falls into each of these categories is shown in Table 4. Available information for 1980-2010 is shown. Similar data for Macomb County is also provided for comparison purposes.

Each of the life cycle categories shown in Table 4 has an important meaning for recreation planning. The pre-school and school-age categories, for example, offer useful indicators of future school enrollment trends and the adequacy of existing educational facilities to meet these needs. Based on 2000 Census numbers, the percentage of the Village’s pre-school and school age population appears to have leveled off. However, new single family housing construction in the Village since the 2000 Census has created a new influx of school aged children in the area.

Table 4 Age by Life Cycle 1980-2010 Comparative

Village of New Haven				
Category	1980	1990	2000	2010
Preschool (0-4)	10.5	11.4	10.3	9.9%
School (5-19)	30.9	25.3	24.8	25.5%
Family Formation (20-44)	35.5	43.4	40.9	37.8%
Middle Age (45-64)	21.2	13.8	17.8	20.8%
Seniors (65+)	5.6	6.1	6.2	6.0%

Macomb County				
Category	1980	1990	2000	2010
Preschool (0-4)	6.7	6.8	6.5	5.8%
School (5-19)	26.9	19.9	19.9	19.7%
Family Formation (20-44)	37.8	40.4	37.2	32.0%
Middle Age (45-64)	20.8	20.6	22.8	28.2%
Seniors (65+)	7.7	12.3	13.6	14.3%

Collectively, the family formation and middle-age categories encompass the underpinning of the community. These two groups together account for 58.7 percent of the population and are the largest segment of property owners and taxpayers. They are also among the largest consumers of goods and services and, therefore, provide a medium for economic growth.



Race and Ethnicity

As of the 2010 U.S. Census, the racial makeup of the Village of New Haven was reported as 73.4% white and 16.7% Black or African American. Additionally, 4.0% reported being multi-racial, identifying association with one or more races. Less than 2% of the population identified itself as either Asian, Pacific Islander or any other race. It is important to note, the Hispanic population is captured as an ethnicity, rather than race. Therefore, a person may identify as White and Hispanic or White only. The percent of the population, in 2010, that identified as Hispanic of any race was 4.8% percent, while 95.2% percent of the population identified as Non-Hispanic.

Table 5 New Haven Racial Distribution 2000 - 2010

Race	2000		2010		Percent Change 2000-2010
Non-Hispanic	2,964	96.2%	4,419	95.2%	49.1%
White	2,245	73.1%	3,405	73.4%	51.7%
Black	571	18.6%	774	16.7%	35.6%
Asian	1	>1%	22	0.5%	2100.0%
Multi-Racial	111	3.6%	188	4.0%	69.4%
Other	26	0.8%	30	0.6%	15.4%
Hispanic	117	3.8%	233	4.8%	99.1%
Totals	3,071	100%	4,642	100%	51.2%



Persons with Disabilities (Civilian Non-institutionalized Population)

Planned improvements to the Village’s park and recreation system should consider the needs of any special population groups, particularly those with physical handicaps that may prevent them from having access to recreation facilities and services available to other Village residents. Ensuring all residents, regardless of physical ability, can actively be engaged in community life is a major factor of community prosperity. Information on the disability status of the population was collected as part of the 2010 Census.

Table 6 Persons with Disabilities 2010 Village of New Haven

Persons with Disabilities		
Total Population	3,996	100%
Total with a disability	717	17.9%
Under 18 years		
With a disability	55	0.5%
18 to 64 years		
With a disability	472	17.9%
65 years and over		
With a disability	190	62.5%

Educational Attainment

A community’s educational attainment metrics are a vital statistic to track. The correlation between educational attainment and economic prosperity is very high. As residents continue to gain degrees and credentials, there is more opportunity for job growth. The educational attainment levels for the Village of New Haven are below the County averages. However, it is important to note that over the past decade the Village has seen gains in residents obtaining associates, bachelors, and graduate/professional degrees.

Table 7 Educational Attainment 2010 Village of New Haven

Highest Level of Education 25+ Yrs.	5-Yr ACS 2010	Percentage Change 2000-2010
Graduate/Professional Degree	1.4%	0.4%
Bachelor’s Degree	11.0%	5.9%
Associates Degree	12.3%	6.5%
Some College, No Degree	22.9%	-4.3%
High School Graduate	39.7%	1.0%
Did Not Graduate High School	12.6%	-9.6%

Income and Poverty Statistics

A communities income and poverty figures are key indicators to community stability. The Village is witnessing some positive trends regarding income and poverty. Since 2000 New Haven’s median household income has increased 8.8% to \$57,955. This increase has led to decreases to both individuals and households in poverty with -0.8% and -4.3% decreases respectively. The only concerning income statistic over the past decade was the decrease in per capita income by 5.7% to \$20,671.

Table 8 Income Summary 2010 Village of New Haven

Income	5-Yr ACS 2010	Change 2000-2010	Percentage Change 2000-2010
Median Household Income (2010 Dollars)	\$57,955	\$4,686	8.8%
Per Capita Income (2010 Dollars)	\$20,671	- \$1,238	-5.7%

Table 9 Poverty Summary 2010 Village of New Haven

Poverty	Census 2000		5-Yr ACS 2010		Percentage Change 2000-2010
Persons in Poverty	454	14.5%	593	13.7%	-0.8%
Households in Poverty	158	14.8%	155	10.5%	-4.3%

Households

At the municipal level household growth generates property tax revenues, creates a demand for durable goods, and leads to more population. Each of these factors has the ability to positively impact economic growth. Household growth also impacts municipal services, especially the need for public utilities, police and fire services, and general community administration. The number of households also influences levels of traffic and the need for future transportation system improvements.

The Village of New Haven has experienced a steady growth of households over the past decade. For example, between 1990 and 2000, 292 new households were formed in the Village, for an increase of 27.44 percent. According to SEMCOG’S 2013 calculations, the number of households in the Village was 1,575.

Table 13 Total Households 1980-2010 Comparative

Community	1980	1990	Change 1980-1990	2000	Change 1990-2000	2010	Change 2000-2010	Percentage Change 2000-2010
Village of New Haven	559	772	213	1,064	292	1,552	488	45.9%
Macomb County	229,820	264,991	35,171	309,203	44,212	331,667	22,464	7.3%

Household Size

Associated with these increases in household growth was a decrease in the size of the average household. Consistent with the broader national and regional trends, the average household size in the Village of New Haven has declined over the past three decades. In 1980, the size of the average household was 3.33 persons. This declined to 2.97 persons in 1990 and 2.84 persons in 2000. Similar declines are observed for Macomb County and Michigan.

During the decade 2000-2010 numerous new single family housing developments have been constructed. These developments have been marketed to new families and have contributed to an increase in the average household size within the Village as illustrated by the 2010 Census data.

Average Household Size

Table 11 Average Household Size 1980-2010 Comparative

Community	1980	1990	2000	2010
Village of New Haven	3.33	2.97	2.84	2.96
Macomb County	3.63	2.68	2.52	2.51
State of Michigan	3.27	2.63	2.56	2.49



Household Types

In the Village of New Haven, family households, consisting of household members related to each other, comprised approximately 457 households in 1980 and increased to 589 households in 1990 for a 28.88 percent change. This is higher than the County figure of 6.44 percent for the same decade. According to the 2010 Census family households accounted for 785 of the 1,064 households in the Village (73.8 percent). This represents a 33.2 percent increase over the previous decade.

Table 12 Family Households by Type 2010 Comparative

Community	Family Households	Married Couple Families
Village of New Haven	74.70%	48.80%
Macomb County	67.00%	49.70%
State of Michigan	66.00%	48.00%

Table 13 Household Types 2000-2010 Village of New Haven

Household Types	Census 2000	Census 2010	Percent Change 2000-2010
With Seniors 65+	155	217	40.0%
Without Seniors	909	1,335	46.9%
Two or more persons without children	334	481	44.0%
Live Alone, 65+	58	73	25.9%
Live alone, under 65	162	231	42.6%
With Children	510	767	50.4%
Total Households	1,064	1,552	45.9%

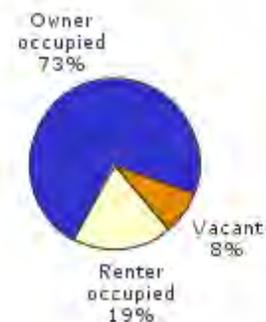
Housing Unit Types

According to the 5-Yr ACS 2010 there are 1,106 housing units in the Village of New Haven. The table below depicts the distribution of housing units by housing unit type.

Table 14 Housing Unit Types 2000-2010 Village of New Haven

Housing Unit Type	Census 2000	5-Yr ACS 2010	Change 2000-2010	New Permitted Units 2010-2014
Single Family Detached	525	1,106	581	9
Duplex	7	0	-7	0
Townhouse or Attached Condo	34	0	-34	0
Multi-Unit Apartment	102	121	19	0
Mobile Home	482	365	-117	0
Total	1,150	1,592	442	9
Units Demolished				0

Chart 1 Housing Ownership 2010 Village of New Haven



Housing Tenure

Home ownership is generally a solid indicator of community stability. Home purchases many times represent the single largest investment that a family will make in their lifetime and, therefore usually indicates a long-term commitment to the community. Approximately 73.0 percent of the Village’s total housing units are owner-occupied according to the 2010 Census. Renter occupied units account for 19 percent, while 8 percent of housing units were reported as being vacant.

Table 15 Housing Tenure 2000-2010 Village of New Haven

Housing Tenure	Census 2000	Census 2010	Change 2000-2010
Owner occupied	856	1,232	376
Renter occupied	208	320	112
Vacant	74	143	69
Seasonal/migrant	6	1	-5
Other vacant units	68	142	74
Total Housing Units	1,138	1,695	557

Housing Values

Housing values are a viable indicator of community viability. As home values rise, so too does a community’s general fund. Increases in home values also tend to be connected to economic growth. The Village of New Haven has witnessed some modest increases in housing values. As new construction has occurred across the community it has led to a spike in housing values over the past decade. Over the past decade home values have increased 32.1% to a median housing value of \$107,400. Medium gross rent has also increased to \$741, which is a 33.1% increase over that same timeframe.

Table 16 Median Housing Values Village of New Haven

Housing Value (in 2010 dollars)	5-Yr ACS 2010	Change 2000-2010	Percent Change 2000-2010
Median housing value	\$ 107,400	\$ 26,123	32.1%
Median gross rent	\$ 741	\$ 184	33.1%

Projections

Projections provide a basis for anticipating future land use and various community service demands. As noted in the previous commentary, the single factor that will have the greatest impact on these demands is the anticipated number of new residents. While there is no precise way of absolutely predicting the future, past trends offer a practical method of anticipating expected changes in the number of households and the number of residents.



Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) Small Area Forecasts

SEMCOG prepares a series of Small Area Forecasts for each of the 233 local units of government in the Southeast Michigan. The forecasts include the anticipated number of persons, households and jobs within each community for each five-year interval between 2010 and 2040. The most recent series of projections were adopted by SEMCOG in 2014. The SEMCOG forecasts, including the projected number of households and persons per household, are included in table 17. These forecasts anticipate continued increases in the total numbers of persons and households. Future population projections are dependent, in large part, on the rate of household growth as well as the size of the average household. Forecasts prepared by SEMCOG anticipate continued declines in the size of the Village’s average household from 2.96 persons per household in 2010 to 2.95 by the year 2040. For projection purposes, the Master Plan expects the Village to reach a level of 1,854 households and 5,535 persons by 2040. The future land use of the master plan and the capacity of the public infrastructure systems will determine the ultimate capacity of new households and corresponding population levels beyond the projection period.

Table 17 SEMCOG Forecast Demographics Village of New Haven

	2000 Census	2010 Census	SEMCOG Dec 2014	SEMCOG 2040
Population	3,071	4,642	4,890	5,535
Households (occupied units)	1,064	1,552	1,603	1,854
Persons per Household	2.84	2.96	3.02	2.95

Demographic Considerations

In many ways, the positive population trends observed in the Village of New Haven are aligned with those on a larger scale, including regional and statewide. Over the last several decades, New Haven’s total population has steadily increased, becoming more diverse and educated. Its median income level and housing values have increased, while poverty levels have decreased. Also in accordance with nationwide trends is the aging of its population: the largest increases were observed in the 55-59 and 60-64 year old age groups. The Parks and Recreation Master Plan has been revised with these trends in mind. With a substantial inflow of new residents, the Village has the ability to leverage this opportunity by spurring strategic investment in the parks and recreation program. Strategic investment is key to creating and maintaining quality parks and recreation facilities that are inclusive and accessible. Successful parks and recreation services provide an important link between residents and their community.

In order to ensure that the parks and recreation amenities accurately reflect its population, the Village of New Haven must acknowledge the increase in both middle-aged (45-64 years old) and senior (65+ years old) residents. It is vital that the Village connects with its middle-aged and elderly population to establish that these individuals remain dynamic and active members of the community. The Village must ensure that the facilities commonly used by these cohorts are abundant and well-maintained. These facilities may include scenic parks, accessible walking paths, inviting public areas and coordinated

wellness activities or events. The Village of New Haven can facilitate programs and services that will engage its middle-aged and elderly population. These residents have invested in New Haven by, in some cases, living in the community for decades. One way for the Village to acknowledge this loyalty is to provide its residents with excellent parks and recreation programs and services.

The Village has also seen an increase in its number of school age children (5-19 years old), while retaining the largest percentage of its population in the family formation age group (20-44 years old). Combined, these two groups account for over 60% of the Village's population, and its parks and recreation programs should be designed to reflect this. Creating safe neighborhoods and school districts, as well as offering engaging programs and leagues will allow the kids and families in the Village to fully utilize and enjoy these facilities. While the future population of New Haven is ultimately unknown, the ability to adapt its facilities and services around a changing population is one of the most important measures of success.

Community Land Use and Natural Features

One of the most essential functions when planning for parks and recreation is analyzing land. The distribution of land uses, natural features, and development patterns will impact where a community can and should invest in parks and recreation resources. For example, new residential developments provide opportunities to link parks with growing population clusters, pristine natural areas allow for a community to highlight environmental stewardship, and exclusive recreational zoning districts protect and preserve land for parks and other recreation infrastructure. By analyzing land uses and natural features the Village of New Haven can better integrate parks and recreation into the existing community fabric.

Land Use

The character of our physical environment is influenced by a multitude of factors. Foremost among these are the use of land, its distribution within the community and the relationship of these uses to one another. These ingredients strongly influence the overall character and identity of a community. They also impact quality of life and our relative degree of satisfaction with our surroundings. Land use characteristics and significant physical features establish the foundation upon which the future of the community will be based. They also exercise great influence on the development potential of the community. The central feature of this section is an examination of the Village of New Haven's land use characteristics. Each of the Village's individual land use categories are discussed, to include the amount of land devoted to each category and the distribution of the uses within the community. Current information will also be compared to previous land use surveys to illustrate trends.

Methodology

Existing land use data for the Village of New Haven was compiled from Lenox Township March 2014 Board of Review assessment records, 2012 aerial photography and a 2014 field study. Land use features were recorded on a parcel-by parcel basis on a Village base map. Aerial photographs and site plans were

used as a secondary source of information to verify the land use patterns observed in the field. Each category was calculated to determine the amount of land area occupied by each individual land use.

Land Use Categories

Residential Development

Single-family residences, multi-family complexes, duplexes, single-family attached, and mobile home parks are all available within the Village of New Haven.

Single-family Residential

Single-family residential represents the largest portion of the developed acreage in New Haven. According to the existing land use map approximately 362.82 acres of land are being used for this purpose, which accounts for 22.46% of the land within the Village. Traditionally, single-family developments were located around the Village's core downtown area, with homes constructed on smaller lots on small narrow streets often mixed in with commercial or adjacent to industrial land uses. During the mid-2000's single-family planned unit developments were developed in a more subdivision development style. The Village's more contemporary suburbs are single-family residential enclaves that integrate amenities including parks space and schools.

Multiple-family Residential

Multiple-family residential occupies approximately 25.40 acres of land, the majority of which are located within the northwest portion of the Village. Multiple-family developments currently are a small percentage of land use in the Village; however the community has targeted areas to expand multiple-family residential units.

Manufactured Housing/Mobile Home Parks

Manufactured housing provides another housing option for Village residents. Two parks are currently located in the Village: on the west side of Gratiot Avenue, north of 27 Mile Road and east of Gratiot Avenue; and south of 27 Mile Road. According to the existing land use map these developments occupy approximately 148.01 acres of land. Manufactured Housing occupies 9.16% of land in the Village.

Office/Commercial

Office and commercial uses combined occupy approximately 74.80 acres of the land area of New Haven. A number of public uses could also be classified as office or commercial such as municipal offices or the new medical building on Gratiot which is a public health facility that has medical offices and provides outpatient treatment services. The majority of these uses are located along the Gratiot Avenue or along New Haven Road near the Village's downtown district. As of 2014, approximately 4.63% of the developed land within the Village was comprised of office and commercial type of uses.

Industrial

Industrial uses occupy 92.96 acres of land, accounting for 5.76% of the developed land. The majority of these uses are concentrated along the Grand Trunk Railroad corridor and in the southern half of the Village. A large percentage of the vacant land is also designated for industrial development.

Public and Semi-Public

Public and Semi-public uses include schools, parks, churches, fraternal organizations golf courses and other community-operated facilities. Collectively, these uses represent 205.26 acres of land in the

Village. Public/semi-public uses account for 12.71% of the developed land within the Village of New Haven.

Transportation, Communications and Utilities

Community infrastructure, rail transportation, public roads and utilities account for 193.34 acres of land use in the Village. CN/GTW rail corridor occupies 36 acres of land that bisects the Village paralleling Gratiot Avenue to its east. The Village's public road network accounts for 172.23 acres or 10.66% of its total being used as road right-of-way.

Vacant

More than 512.58 acres of land in the Village of New Haven are undeveloped, representing the second largest land use category in the Village. This includes: vacant undeveloped wooded areas on the north side of the village; abandoned former industrial sites on the south side of the village; and the environmentally protected wetlands and designated floodplains. While vacant land is evident throughout the Village, certain parcels present unique barriers to development and therefore the supply of vacant land is not the best indicator of development potential in New Haven.

Changes in Land Use

The 2014 survey updates data previously collected in 1995 prior to developing the 1997 Master Plan. The table below shows the change in land use distribution from 1995 to 2014 by total acres and by percentage of total area. By comparing the results of the current land use inventory with the previous survey, one can examine trends that may impact future development in the Village. The following trends have implications for future land use decisions:

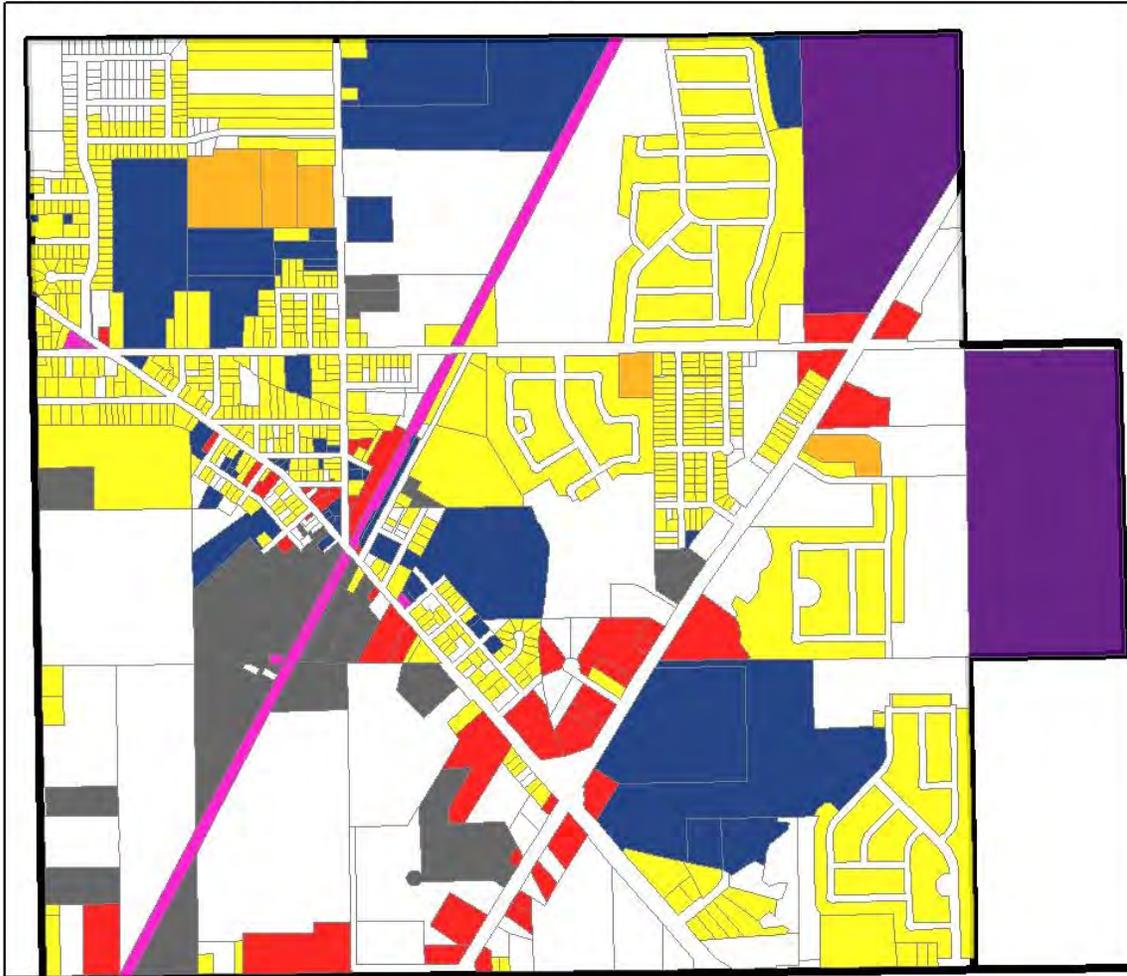
- The land development for single-family dwelling units more than tripled since the previous Master Plan was adopted. Likewise, land devoted to manufactured housing more than doubled in the same time period. This suggests perhaps a need for alternative housing types such as additional moderate density, mixed-use, multifamily or senior housing to add variety and housing alternatives for residents. This massive increase in residential land use also creates additional demand for public facilities and services.
- There was a significant increase in office and commercial land use which tends to directly follow new residential development. This plan predicts the Village will experience significant growth in commercial and office development in the next ten years to meet the demand of the new residents as residential development will likely taper off.
- The amount of property devoted to industrial uses also doubled during this time period as the village has successfully developed and retained manufacturing, warehouse and storage uses. Several businesses have expanded or upgraded their New Haven facilities. However, it may be difficult to measure growth purely based on land use because many of the industrial parcels are several acres in size but only a small portion of the site is actually being used for industrial purposes.
- As expected in a growing community like New Haven, vacant land declined by 136.62 acres, a reduction of nearly 22%. This rapid reduction might necessitate the need for open space preservation, recreation planning, land banking, right-of-way preservation or changes to the zoning code to preserve the natural environment and quality of life for current and future residents.

Table 18 Land Use 1995-2014 Village of New Haven

Category	2014		1995		1995-2014 Change
	Acres	Percent	Acres	Percent	in Acres
Single Family	362.82	22.46%	131.90	10.39%	230.92
Multiple Family	25.40	1.57%	25.00	1.97%	-2.26
Mobile Home Park	148.01	9.16%	60.00	4.73%	88.01
Office/Commercial	74.80	4.63%	11.50	0.91%	65.96
Industrial	92.96	5.76%	101.20	7.97%	-8.24
Public/Semi-Public	205.26	12.71%	90.40	7.12%	114.86
Trans/Comm./Utilities	193.34	11.97%	200.00	15.76%	-6.66
Vacant	512.58	31.74%	649.20	51.15%	-136.62
Totals	1,615.17	100.00%	1,269.20	100.00%	345.97



Village of New Haven 2014 Land Use



Legend

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|  Single Family Residential |  Commercial |  Trans/Comm/Utilities |
|  Multi-Family Residential |  Industrial |  Vacant/Undeveloped |
|  Mobile Home Park |  Public/Semi-Public | |

Natural Features

This section provides an inventory of natural features and environmentally significant areas in the Village of New Haven. The Village's natural environment undoubtedly has an impact on the character of the existing and future development trends. Specific environmental features considered in this inventory include geology, topography, flood hazards, soils, water, woodlands, wetlands and the Michigan Natural Features Inventory. The location of natural features influences the future development of specific areas, positively or negatively depending on the feature and the proposed development. When incorporated thoughtfully into development proposals, features such as wetlands and woodlands serve to enhance the character and appearance of the built environment. Often natural features are seen as a barrier to development and may be difficult to overcome due additional regulations and requirements. However, ignoring physical features during development can have significant, long-term negative consequences for the individual land owner, the municipality and the environment as a whole. The New Haven Master Plan was designed to take advantage of these natural features so that the built environment is in harmony with the environmental characteristics of the natural features rather than attempting to substantially change the surroundings.

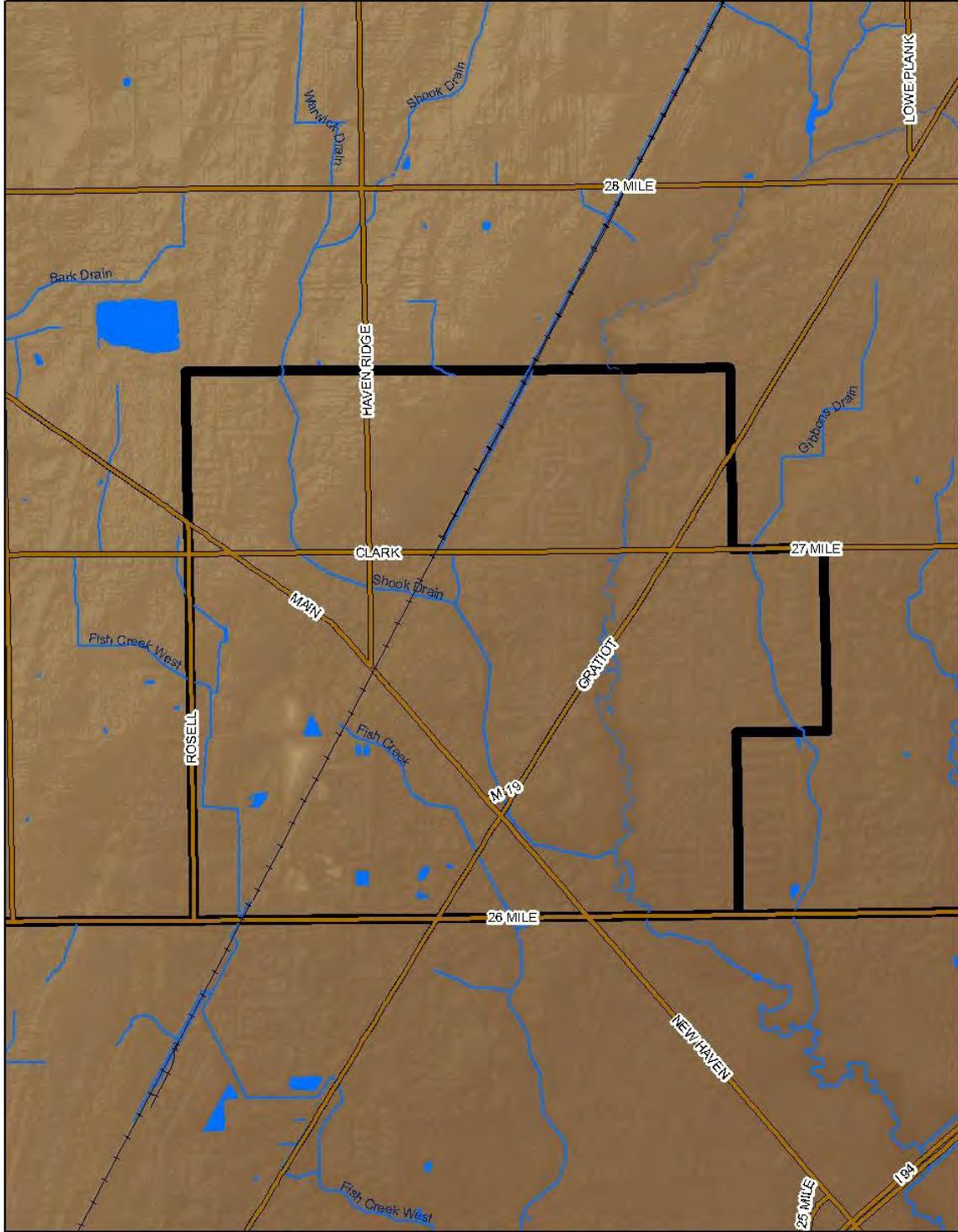
Topography

Topography can have a significant influence on land development patterns. For example, site location, orientation and design of buildings, roads and utility routes are all influenced by topography. Where slopes are extreme, concerns exist relating to the ability of the land to bear the weight of buildings and the danger of erosion. Sometimes, topographic variations offer opportunities to appreciate the scenic environment. In New Haven, the absence of significant changes in topography can result in the need for man-made drainage improvements. The Village is relatively level with the land surface varying by only 55 feet from the lowest to the highest point.

Water

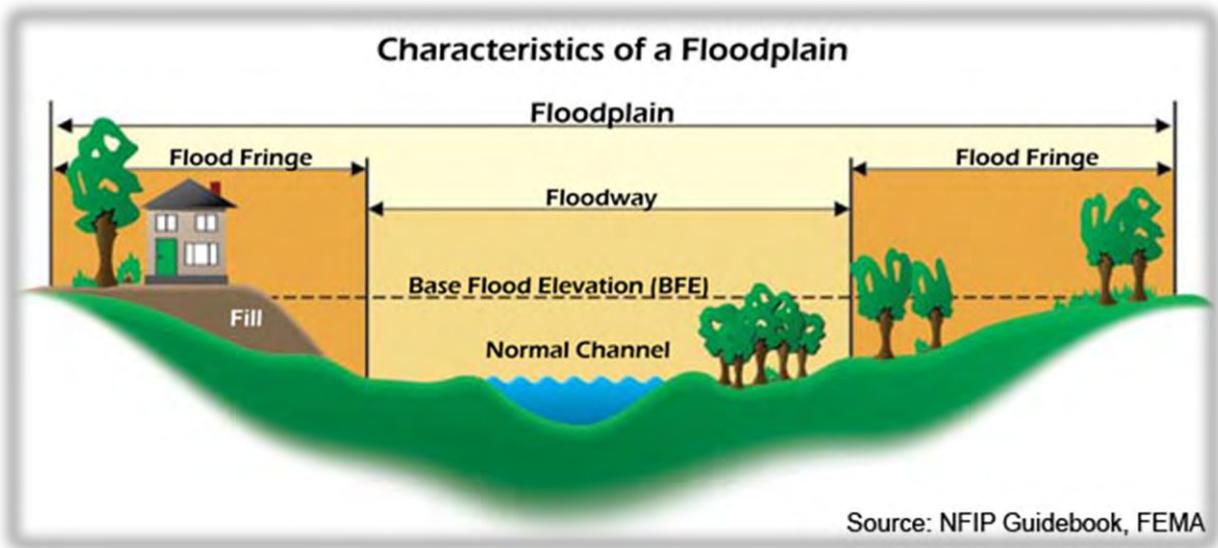
The Village of New Haven is located entirely within the Belle River Watershed and has abundant water features that present unique challenges and opportunities. The Shook county drain bisects the Village from northwest to southeast; the Salt River runs north and south on the east side of the Village and the eastern portion of New Haven and Fish Creek which runs through the western portion of the Village. A number of man-made storm water detention ponds could potentially provide aesthetic water features to surrounding residential neighborhoods.

Topography and Hydrology - Village of New Haven



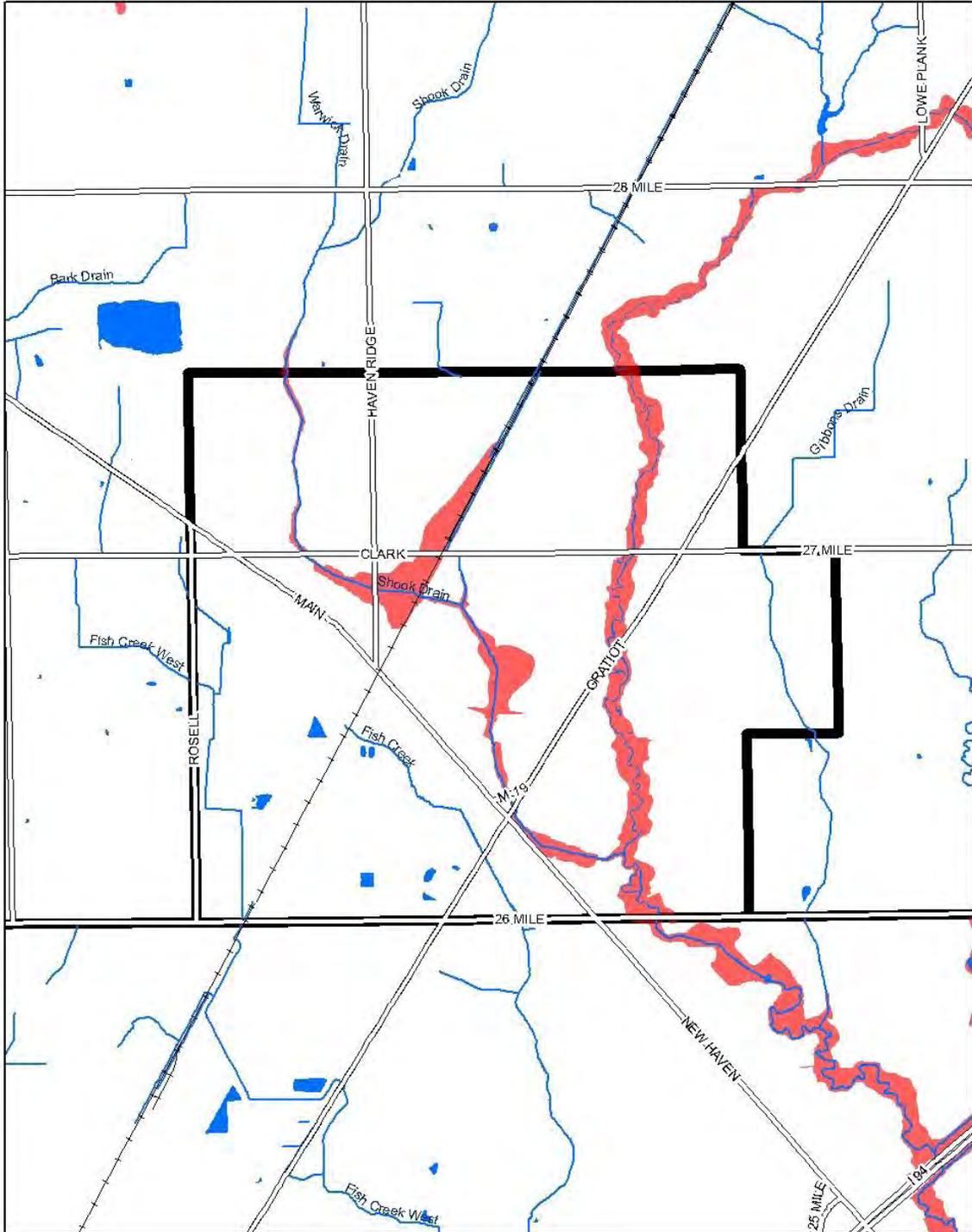
Flood Hazards

A floodplain is an area of land along a lake, river or other water feature that is susceptible to being inundated by water as a result of heavy rains, snow melt, or other factors. Floodplains are naturally occurring physical features that provide for the temporary holding of this excessive water until such time as the receiving channel is capable of accepting the water. Floodplain areas and flood-risk zones are designated and regulated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). After review of information available from the U.S. Department of Agriculture and FEMA it is noted that two areas within the Village are prone to flooding, they are along the natural water courses of the Salt River and Fish Creek. The areas adjacent to county drains are also subject to flooding but not on the same scale. These areas have been identified as open space on the Land Use Plan because development in a floodplain could cause additional flooding in the community and potential environmental contamination.



Source: <http://www.thomastwp.org/departments-services/community-development/flood-plain/>

100 Year Flood Zones - FEMA DFIRM Macomb County

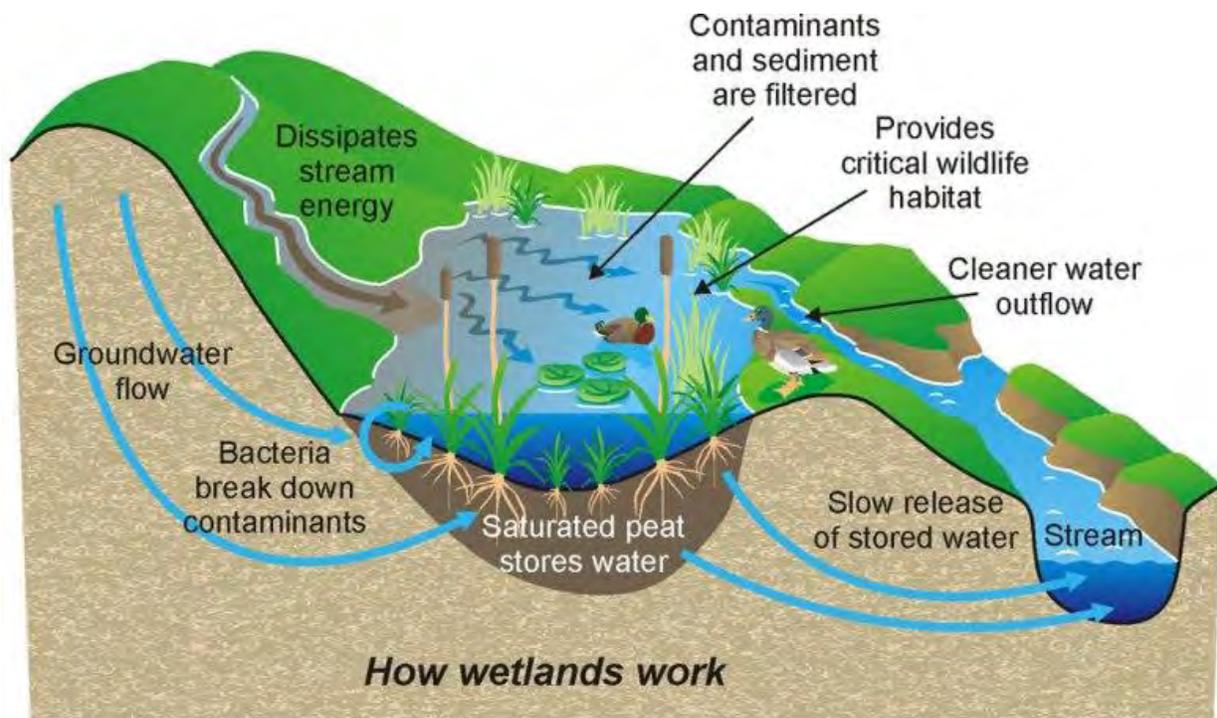


Wetlands

Wetlands are an important element of Michigan's landscape. Wetlands possess physical properties that have important consequences for planning purposes. Wetlands serve a number of necessary environmental functions that include: protecting water supplies; functioning as natural areas for floodwater; and providing a habitat for many types of plants and animals. Development in or around wetlands are regulated by several State statutes, the most prominent of which is Part 303, Wetlands Protection, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (P.A. 451 of 1994 as amended).

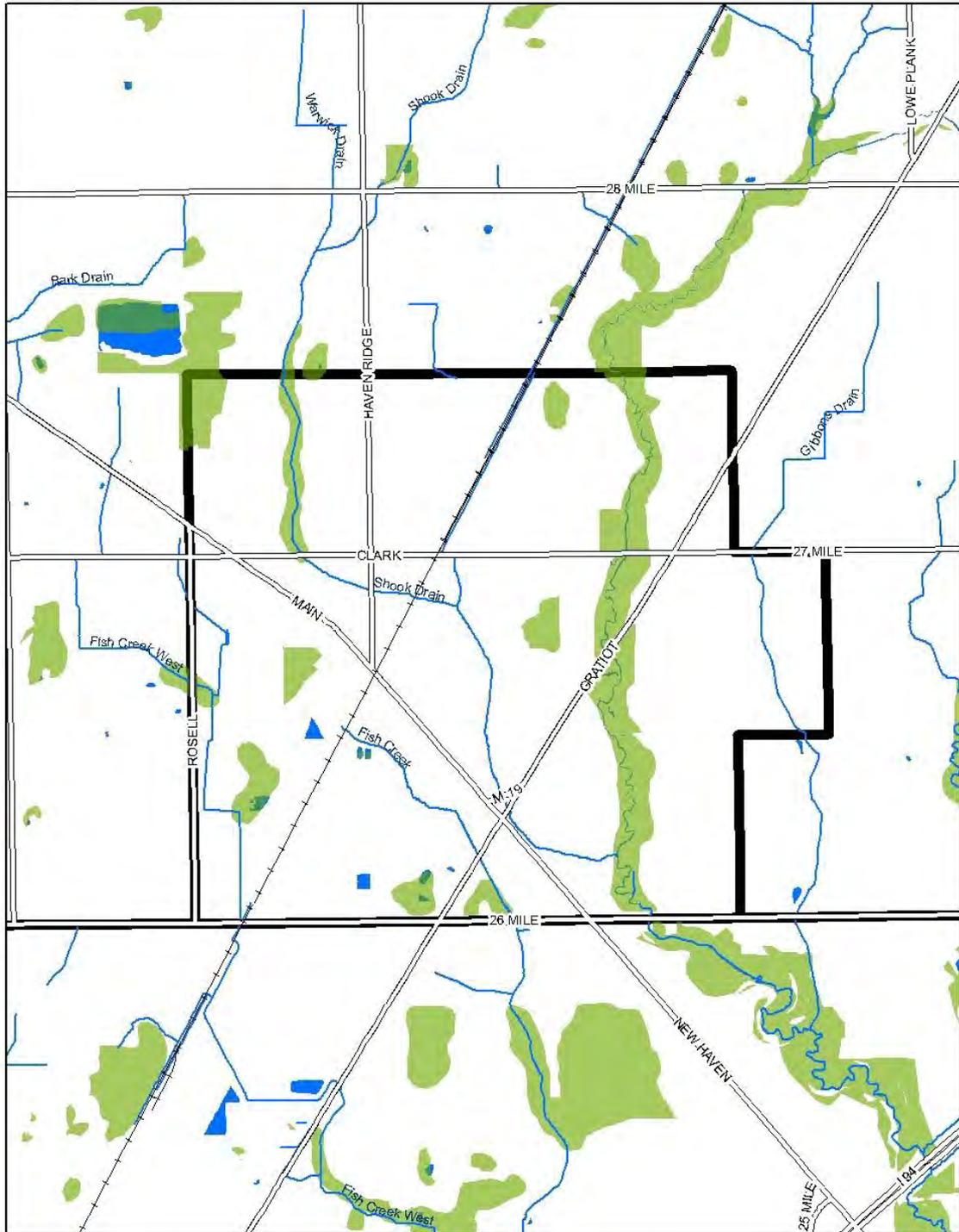
Wetlands do exist within the Village in two small pockets located along the south and west borders of the Village. A singular pocket of wetlands are located on the west side of the Village. The majority of remaining wetlands is of the forested type and is located along the banks of the Salt River. Two smaller pockets of forested wetlands are located in the north and south areas of the Village.

The preservation of the Village's natural wetlands has been possible through local planning efforts. The existing wetland areas are designated as open space in the master plan and therefore cannot be zoned for development. This ensures that these environmentally sensitive and poorly drained geological areas are preserved.



Source: <http://www.earthlyissues.com/>

Potential Wetlands

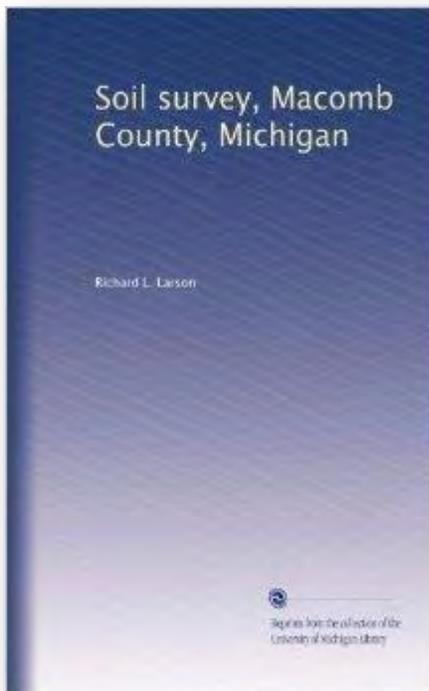


Soils

Soil characteristics have an important influence on the ability of land to support various types of land uses, including roads, buildings, utilities and agriculture. Four specific soil characteristics influence their ability to be used for various purposes. These include the following:

- Bearing Capacity - the ability to support the weight of roads, buildings or vehicles.
- Erosion/Stability - the susceptibility of the soils to erosion hazards and the ability to accept weight, without causing mass movements such as mud flows and slides.
- Drainage — the capacity of soils to transmit and receive water. This characteristic is especially important for determining the ability of soils to absorb storm water. Soil drainage characteristics are influenced by particle composition and water content.
- Resource Value - the economic worth of the soil for agricultural purposes, or as a fill or mined material.

The Village of New Haven's soil characteristics were identified as part of the larger Macomb County Soil Survey conducted in 1967 by the United States Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service. Categories of soils with different characteristics and physical properties were identified as part of the survey. This process resulted in a patchwork or jigsaw-like pieces that fit together to portray a larger overall picture of existing soil characteristics. Three individual soils types are present in the Village.



Link to Macomb County Soil Survey: [Macomb Soil Survey](#)

Woodlands

Woodlands are frequently only considered valuable as a visual amenity enhancing the natural or constructed environment. However, trees serve many other useful environmental purposes including the following:

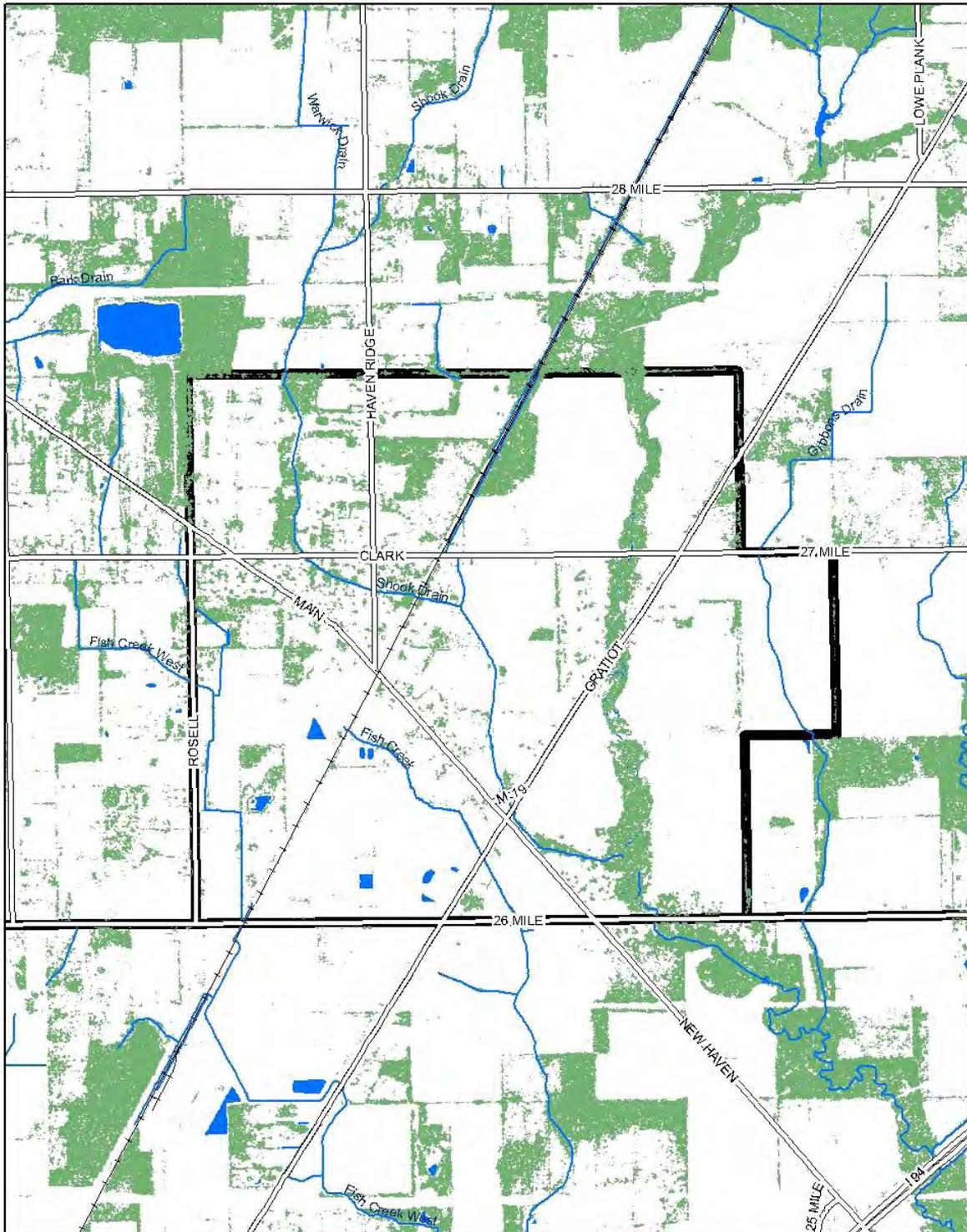
- Slope stabilization and erosion control
- Conserving water quality
- Maintaining a micro-climate
- Filtering pollution from the atmosphere
- Decreasing noise
- Providing a habitat for wildlife

Integrating woodlands into future development plans can improve the community's overall environmental quality and enhance the appearance of the community.

Presently, few wooded areas remain in the Village. They exist primarily along the Salt River and north of 27 Mile Road in the western half of the Village. These areas of mature vegetation should be sensitively considered when reviewing future development proposals. The wooded areas along the Salt River are protected by the wetland designation. The other wooded areas of the Village however are vulnerable. Future residential development could be "clustered" in order to minimize tree removal in future subdivisions.



Wood Lots



Michigan Natural Features Inventory

The Michigan Natural Features Inventory (MNFI) program conducts field surveys to locate and identify threatened and endangered species and communities throughout the state, created and maintains a database of all relevant species and community locations, provides data summaries and analysis in support of environmental reviews, and provides biological expertise to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). The program is housed in the Wildlife Division, but provides relevant information to all DNR divisions, the Department of Environmental Quality, and other agencies and organizations. This program is an essential part of meeting the Department's legislated responsibilities for threatened and endangered species protection.

Teams of scientists with expertise in botany, zoology, aquatic ecology, and ecology collect information about Michigan's native plants, animals, aquatic animals and natural ecosystems.

MNFI has conducted surveys by foot, kayak, canoe, and air, from interior forests and grasslands, Great Lakes shores to remote islands in search of information about Michigan's special plants, animals and plant communities.

Information is also gathered by studying museum and herbaria records, communicating with other scientists in the Great Lakes area, and reading published works.

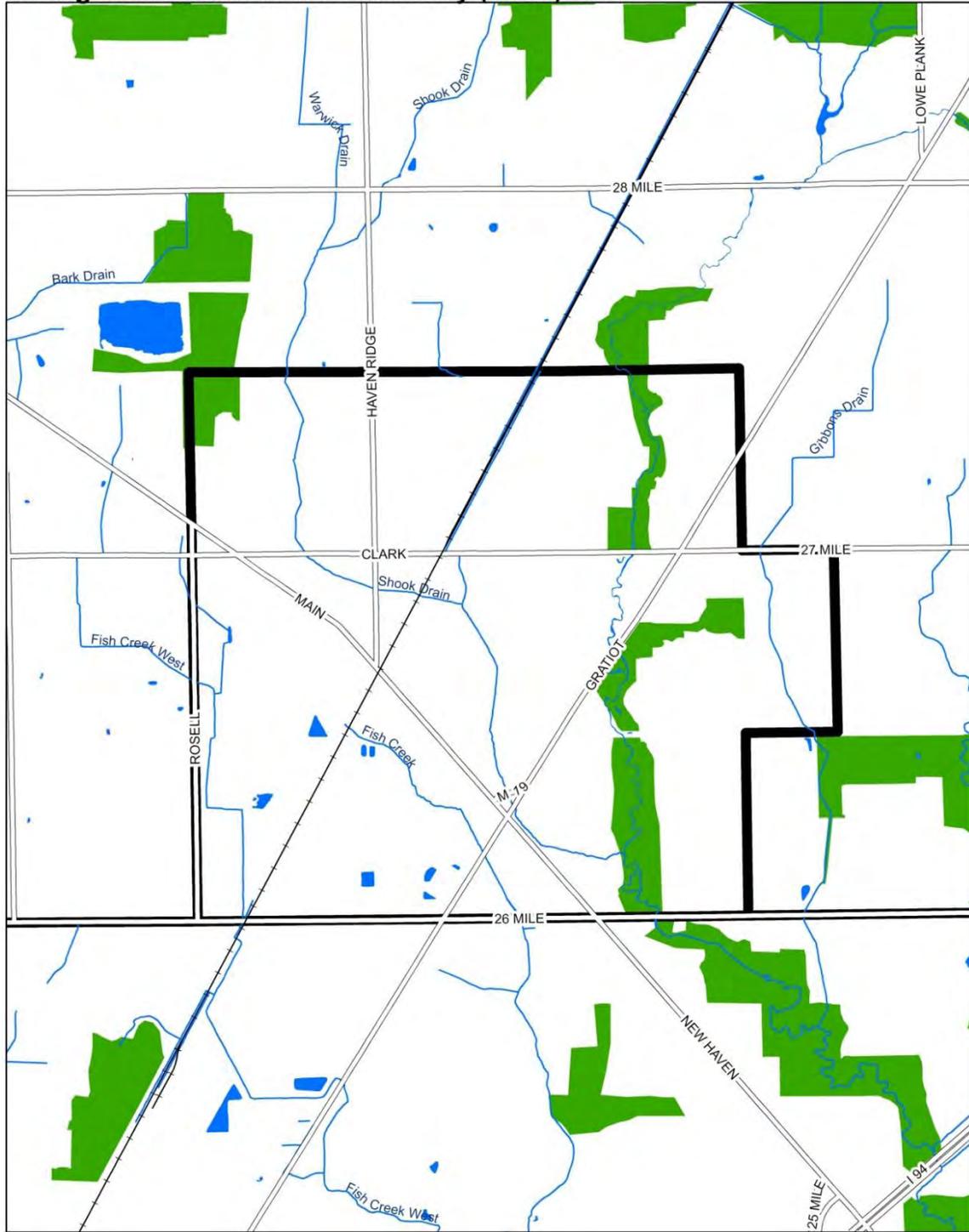
How is MNFI information used?

- Information sharing
- Reveal population trends and ecological requirements
- Determine the range wide significance of individual occurrences
- Set conservation priorities and assign "rarity" ranks
- Identify data gaps and research needs
- Guide land use and management activities
- Access change over time and at different spatial scales
- Inform regulatory agencies

Sources: Michigan Department of Natural Resources Website <http://www.michigan.gov/dnr>

Michigan State University MNFI Website <http://mnfi.anr.msu.edu/>

Michigan Natural Features Inventory (MNFI) Sites



Natural Features Summary

As this section points out, the natural features of the community are profound environmental characteristics that add to New Haven's character. The Village must ensure that environmentally significant areas are protected and integrated into larger community plans. Experience has proven that cooperation with nature, using imagination and creativity, is preferable to removing natural features. The Village should carefully examine each opportunity to complete its design in a manner that enhances the community's livability. Planning can best assist in accomplishing this by encouraging designs that respect and work with nature.

Like many communities in Macomb County, New Haven has some unique natural features. The Village has a unique opportunity to leverage these natural assets for future investments. As the Village seeks to invest in parks and recreation amenities it would greatly benefit the community and environment to embrace these natural assets. By incorporating these natural features with recreational infrastructure the Village can greatly enhance the quality of life of its residents and engage in a program of environmental stewardship that will preserve and protect these unique assets for future generations.



Section 2.0 Administrative Structure

The planning, development, and maintenance of a comprehensive parks and recreation system cannot be accomplished without a unified administrative structure. A web of elected officials, boards, commissions, administrators, staffers, and volunteers is needed to ensure that investments are made soundly and services are delivered efficiently. From developing annual budgets to maintaining assets the administrative structure surrounding parks and recreation is vital to current operations and future accomplishments. The following section will detail the Village of New Haven's Parks and Recreation Administrative Structure. Currently the Village's Park and Recreation services are managed and administered by the following entities: New Haven Village Council (elected), New Haven Planning Commission (appointed), and the Village of New Haven Department of Public Works (staff).

Village Council has authorized the Village Planning Commission to work directly with the Village planning consultants to develop this Parks and Recreation plan. Upon adoption the implementation of the plan will be the responsibility of the proposed Village Recreation Board.

The Village does not directly sponsor any formal recreational activities or programs at this time. The Department of Public Works maintains the Village-owned parks under the direction of the Village President and Council. Policies and procedures related to the use of the parks are posted at the park sites.

Presently the Village does not have a parks and recreation coordinating body. The establishment of such an entity to provide guidance, oversight and plan implementation is one of the key objectives of this plan. The concept of establishing a Recreation Board for these purposes and others is presented in the sections below.

Village Council

The New Haven Village Council is the governing body of the Village. The council oversees the general administration of the Village including the Village's general operating budget and capital improvement funds for parks and recreation facilities. By having control over Village finances the Village Council is the definitive authority on how parks and recreation services and facilities will be delivered to the community.

Staff

The Village does not have a full-time or part-time recreation director or administrator. The day to day recreation duties are provided by the Village administration and to some degree volunteers. The Village does not offer any programming, and therefore the greatest staffing needs are relative to park maintenance which is provided by the Department of Public Works.

The Village will continue to utilize the Village planning consultants for future planning efforts, grant writing and technical staff assistance to the Recreation Board.

Recreation Board - PROPOSED

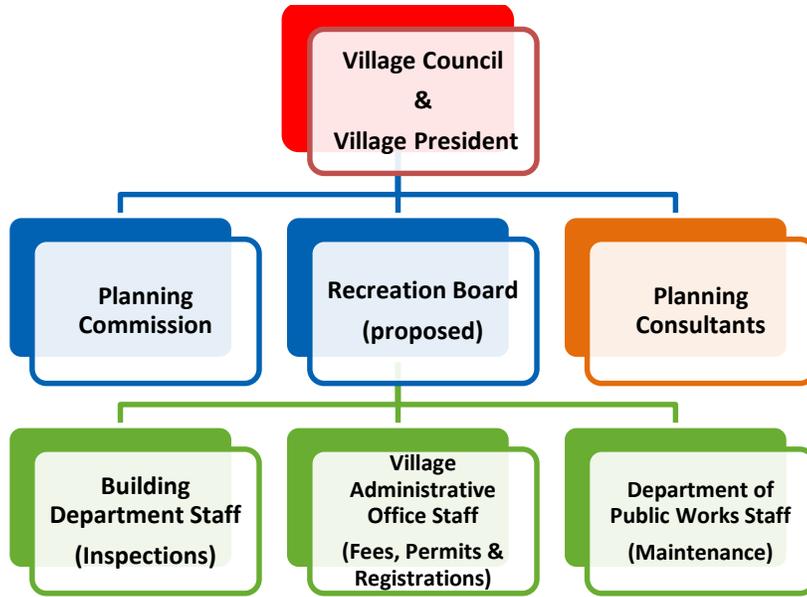
In accordance with Public Act 156 of 1917, it is recommended that Village Council appoint a seven-member Recreation Board for the purpose of overseeing the Village system of public recreation and playground facilities. The Recreation Board, will be responsible for the acquisition and maintenance of public equipment, land, buildings and other recreational facilities. The chairperson of the Board will be appointed by the Village Council and serve as Superintendent of Recreation for the Village.

The Village is not currently collaborating with any other agencies on recreation however future coordination is desired in order to prevent duplication and provide for resident needs comprehensively in a fiscally responsible manner. Facilities exist within the Village that are not owned or operated by the Village such as the local school facilities and resources in planned unit development communities that have dedicated parks, open space and pathways, albeit private or semi-private use, which contribute to the supply of recreation for many Village residents. Thus, the newly formed Recreation Board, appointed by the Village Council, will be comprised of the following individuals:

- The Public Works Director
- A Village Trustee
- A Village Planning Commissioner
- A School District Representative
- Three Residents-at-Large

The Recreation Board is designed to provide a greater opportunity for coordinating recreation within the Village, fostering public-private cooperation and providing a voice to and from Village residents in the planning process. The Recreation Board will serve as a policy body under the Village Council on issues related to the delivery of recreation services. Typical duties and responsibilities should include:

- Implementation of the Parks and Recreation Plan and Action Plan
- Establishment of policies for delivering recreation services
- Recommending the hiring of staff that will have the responsibility for the administration of recreation programs and facilities on a day-to-day basis. The staff would then report back to the Recreation Board on matters of policy and administration
- Identifying available funding resources to implement recreation goals
- Updating, as needed, the Village Recreation Plan; preparing a capital improvement program
- Encouraging broad support for Village Recreation Programs
- Coordination of community events and partnering opportunities to grow and market events
- Acting as a central point of information for all parks and recreation activities within the Village and its surrounding communities
- Development of a newsletter/calendar/website/marketing strategy to enhance Village's communication with residents



Other Recreation Service Providers

A number of recreation programs exist that provide team sport opportunities for Village youth. Although these programs are not affiliated with the Village some like New Haven Little League have existed for many years and have established wide spread local support. New programs have come on line in recent years such as the Flag Football Youth Program and and the Youth Soccer Program which have greatly expanded recreation opportunities for Village youth. Other organizations such as the Lenox Township Library and Haven Place also provide youth recreation programming opportunities.

New Haven Little League

Junior Hoops Youth Basketball Program

Michigan Youth Flag Football Program

Youth Soccer Program

Haven Place

Lenox Township Library

Junior Rockets Cheer Academy

Wrestling



New Haven Community Schools

There is no formal relationship between the Village of New Haven and the New Haven School District; however, there is a goal to work more closely together toward the implementation of this plan. Thus, the Village has designated a seat on the Recreation Board for a School District representative.



Local Events

A number of local events are sponsored throughout the year by local merchants, the faith based community, special interest groups and the Village of New Haven. These annual events provide local residents with a number of fun, engaging, cultural educational and community building activities. These events also foster a community sense of pride and place. Throughout the years key events have grown in size and popularity and have begun to draw individuals from outside of the Village. The 2015 co-hosted Rocket Fest & Rose Cellar Florist Event drew vendors and attendees from all over Macomb County and Southeast Michigan. News coverage of the event by a number of local media outlets squarely placed the event on the list of notable annual local Macomb County community festivals.



Festivals and community events can act as the catalyst for place making and community marketing. From an economic development perspective, it is these events that showcase a community to outside shoppers, investors and potential future residents.

The Village of New Haven recognizes the multitude of benefits these festivals and events provide the community. The Village, through the establishment of the Recreation board, wishes to become a more active player in promoting and helping to better market these events.

Rocket Fest

Rose Cellar Florist Festival

Music in the Park Concert Series

Community Tree Lighting Festival

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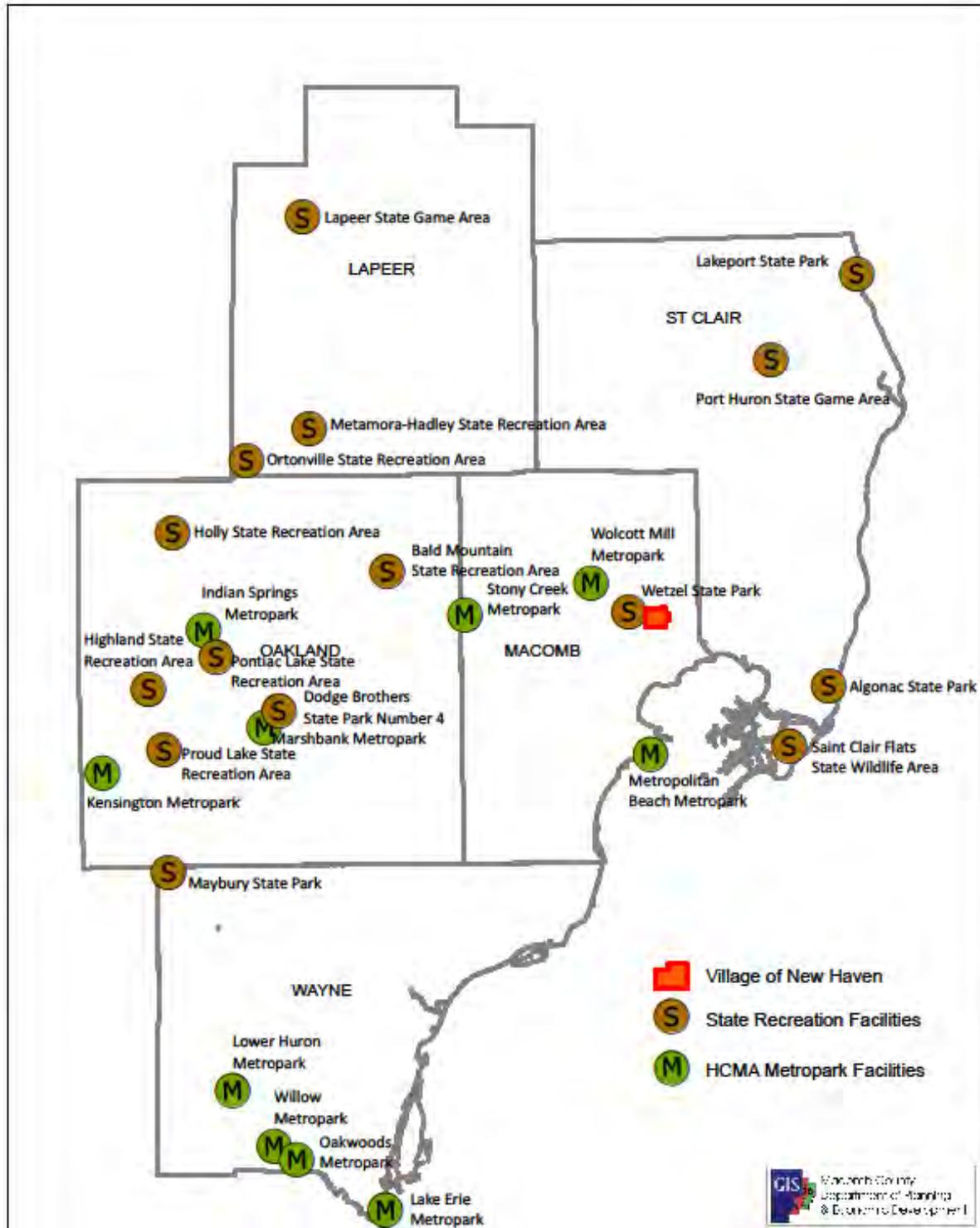


Section 3.0 Parks and Recreation Inventory

When a community seeks to develop a comprehensive parks and recreation master plan it is imperative to catalogue existing parks and recreation facilities. An extensive inventory of parks and recreation facilities will allow a community to highlight its assets, develop linkages, build off of innovative trends, and point out any gaps in services. Beginning with a community's existing recreational framework all stakeholders involved can begin to develop strategies that will enhance and grow parks and recreation to new levels. During the Fall of 2014 staff members of the Macomb County Department of Planning and Economic Development conducted a survey of the Village's existing parks and recreation resources. The following section will provide a complete inventory of parks and recreation facilities within the Village of New Haven, and highlight major facilities in surrounding areas. The section will begin with an overview of the regional parks and recreation environment, highlighting state and regional parks and recreation destinations surrounding the Village of New Haven. The inventory will then focus on the parks and recreation facilities owned and operated by the Village. An analysis of facilities owned by other agencies within the Village of New Haven will also be included in this section.

State and Regional Inventory

It is imperative that the Village of New Haven understand that parks and recreation cannot be provided in a silo. A myopic approach to parks and recreation planning will restrain the dynamic and engaging characteristics of parks and recreation. The Village is nestled in a region that has a wealth of parks and recreation destinations. As a region, Southeast Michigan has illustrated a longstanding commitment to parks and recreation. From major park systems to wildlife preservation areas, the State of Michigan and the Huron-Clinton Metroparks Authority have established a network of services and facilities that provide users of all abilities and interests with plentiful parks and recreation destinations. Sixteen (16) State parks and recreation areas are located in the five-county region surrounding New Haven. In total these state recreation facilities encompass over 50,000 acres of land. These state facilities offer a wide range of parks and recreation services including trails, swimming, fishing, boating, picnicking, camping, nature preserves, cross-country skiing, and many others. The only State Park located in Macomb County is the undeveloped Wetzel State Recreation Area. This 900+ acre site is an undeveloped park providing areas for hiking, hunting, snowmobiling and cross-country skiing. The Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority (HCMA) is a regional park system created by the Citizens of Southeast Michigan in the 1940's. This regional parks authority provides recreational and educational opportunities while serving as stewards of the natural environment. HCMA believes that the use of parks and exposure to natural environments enhance society's health and quality of life.



Macomb County is home to three HCMA parks: Stony Creek Metropark located in Washington Township; Wolcott Mill Metropark located in Ray Township; and Lake St. Clair Metro



Park located in Harrison Township. Each of these facilities offers a wide array of parks and recreation opportunities at a grand scale. From the public beach at Lake St. Clair Metropark, to the Farm Center at Wolcott Mill, to the golf course at Stony Creek each park attracts large amounts of visitors from around the region. Each of the noted facilities has a profound

Locations of HCMA Parks



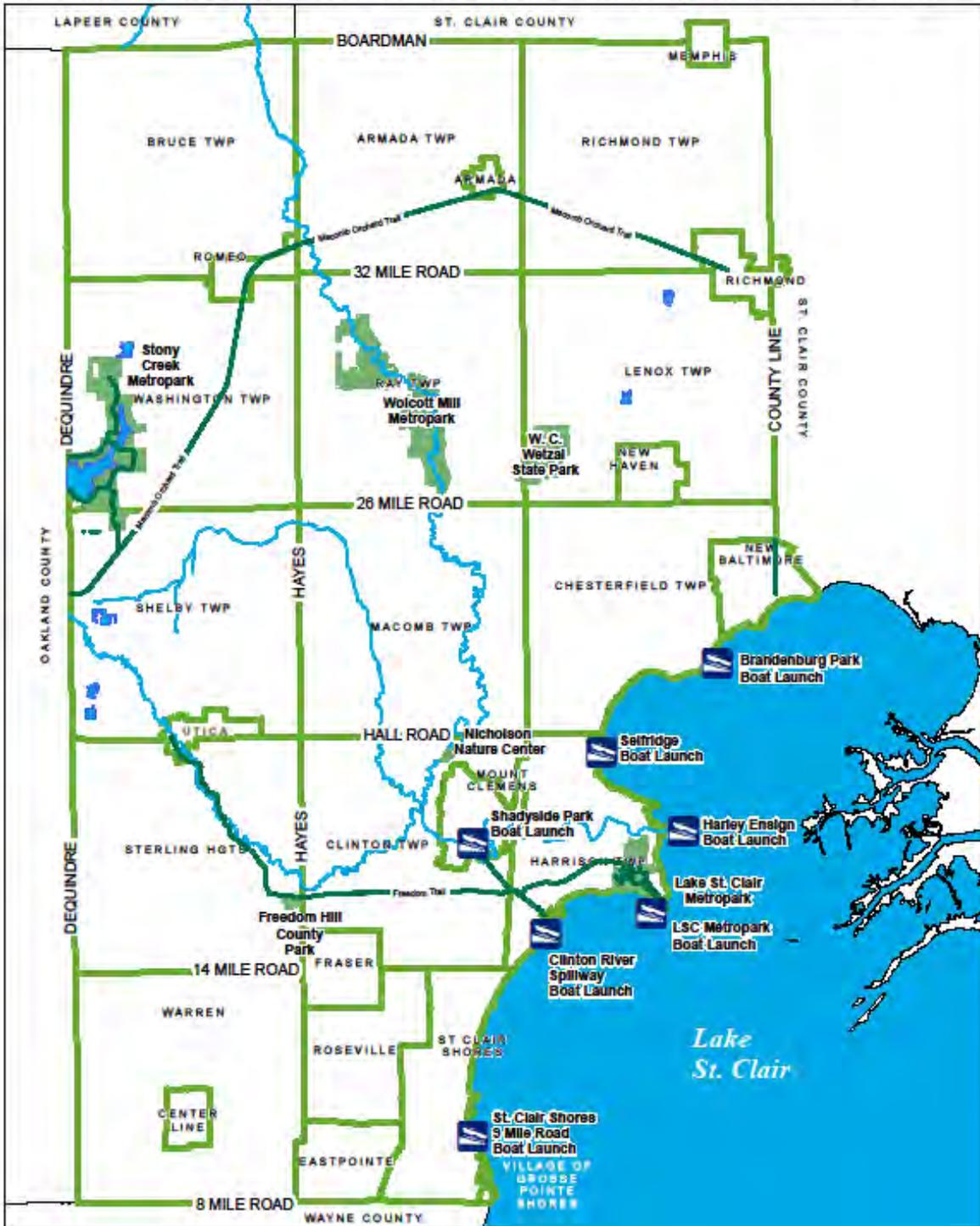
1. Lake St. Clair
2. Wolcott Mill
3. Stony Creek
4. Indian Springs
5. Kensington
6. Huron Mills
7. Hudson Mills
8. Dexter-Huron
9. Delhi
10. Lower Huron
11. Willow
12. Oakwoods
13. Lake Erie

impact on recreation in New Haven. Residents of the Village are users of these facilities and it is important for New Haven to understand how it can leverage and learn from the success of these parks and recreation destinations.

Macomb County Inventory

Macomb County operates a system of parks and recreation opportunities through a network of elected officials, administrators, and commissions. County Executive Mark A. Hackel works in chorus with the Macomb County Board of Commissioners, and a network of County Departments in developing strategies and programs for parks and recreation. Currently, Macomb County oversees only one active parks and recreation amenity, the Macomb Orchard Trail. This 27 mile non-motorized trail is the anchor of Macomb County’s regional trail network, and is managed by the County. The County is also an active partner in the operations surrounding the Freedom Trail, which is a non-motorized trail traversing Sterling Heights, Clinton Township, Harrison Township, and ending at Lake St. Clair Metropark. Macomb County also owns Freedom Hill County Park, a 100+ acre park facility located in Sterling Heights. The facility includes festival grounds, memorials, picnic areas and pavilions, non-motorized trails, a major venue amphitheater and indoor recreation center.

Macomb County Major Recreation Facilities and Regional Trail Network

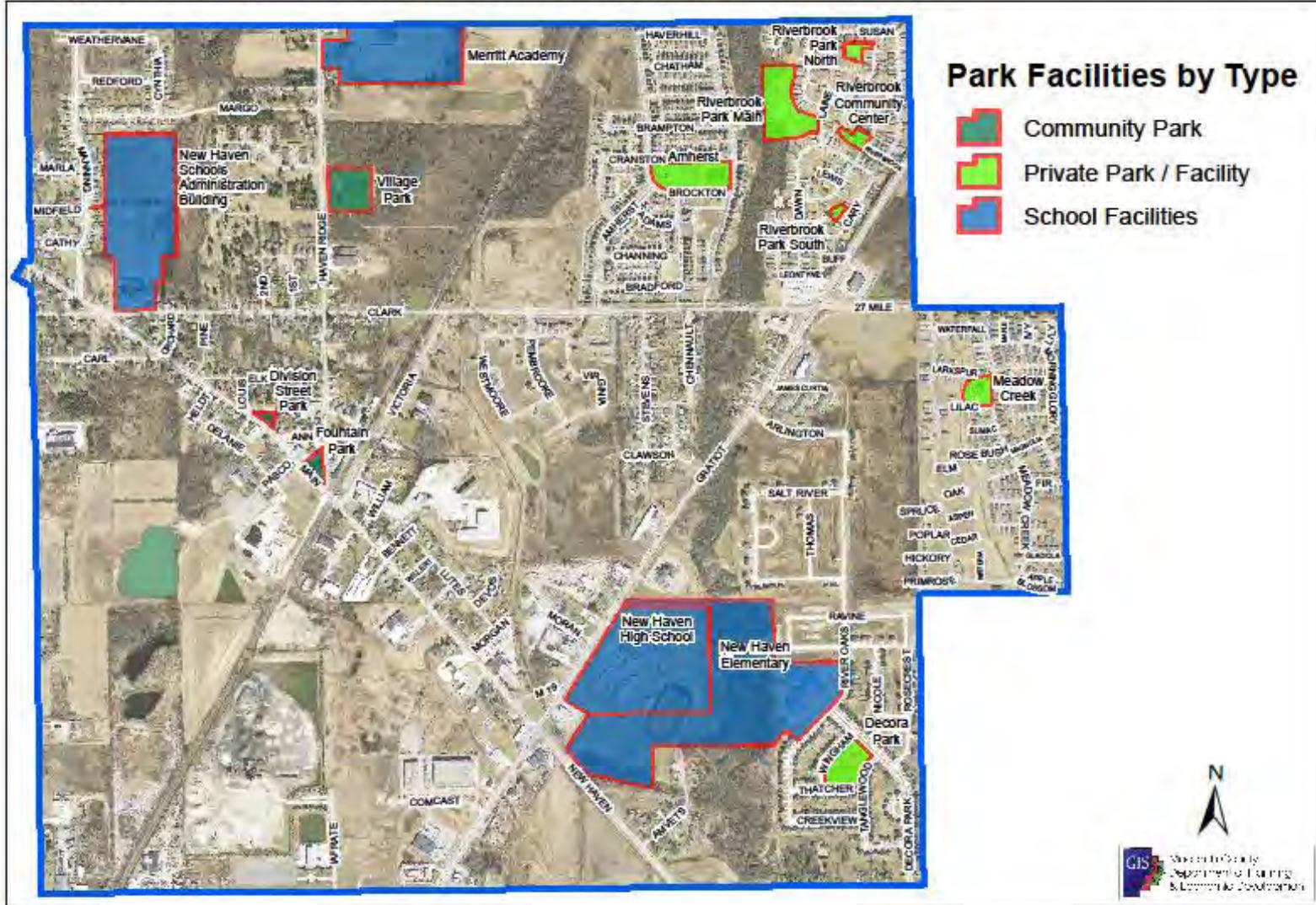


At the local level Macomb County has had a longstanding commitment to providing local units of government with assistance in developing local parks and recreation plans and grant administration/assistance. Macomb County has leveraged partnerships and administrative resources to fortify local parks and recreation programs. At the regional level, Macomb County has taken a more active approach to promoting the potential surrounding Lake St. Clair. Focusing on public access, recreational opportunities, and environmental stewardship, Macomb County is a leading force behind the revitalization of Lake St. Clair. As Macomb County continues to evolve under its newly established Executive form of government, elected officials, staff, and volunteers will ensure that parks and recreation facilities and services will continue to be an important public priority.

Village of New Haven Inventory

The Village of New Haven has a network of parks and recreation facilities that service the community. In total there are 14 parks and recreation facilities in the Village. Of these 14 facilities, there are 3 owned and operated by the Village of New Haven, 4 administered under the authority of the New Haven Public School District, 1 operated by Merritt Academy Charter School and 7 private neighborhood parks maintained through home owners associations or as amenities of a manufactured housing community. Collectively, these facilities account for 124 acres of land scattered throughout the community incorporating unique landscapes and settings. From large tracts of open space to the core of the Village's central business district, these parks and recreation facilities are ingrained in the community fabric. In order to adequately inventory these facilities for the community, and meet the requirements set forth by the State of Michigan Department of Natural Resources "Guidelines for the Development of Community Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Greenway Plans", the following section will extensively review each facility. For each facility the following information will be catalogued: park name, park size, park amenities, accessibility assessments, park map, and photographs.

Village of New Haven Parks and Recreation Facilities Inventory



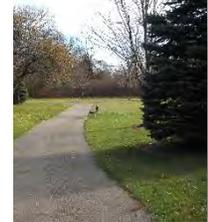
Community Maintained Parks

Village Park (3.7 acres)



Park Amenities

- Picnic Shelter (2)
- Picnic Tables (13)
- Grills (7)
- Drinking Fountain (2)
- Full Restroom Facilities
- Maintenance Building
- Benches (6)
- Basketball Courts (2)
- Horseshoes
- Sand Volleyball Court
- Walking Path 1/3 mile total
- Swings (6)
- Playscape (Age 5-12 years)
- Soccer Field



Fountain Park (0.7 acres)

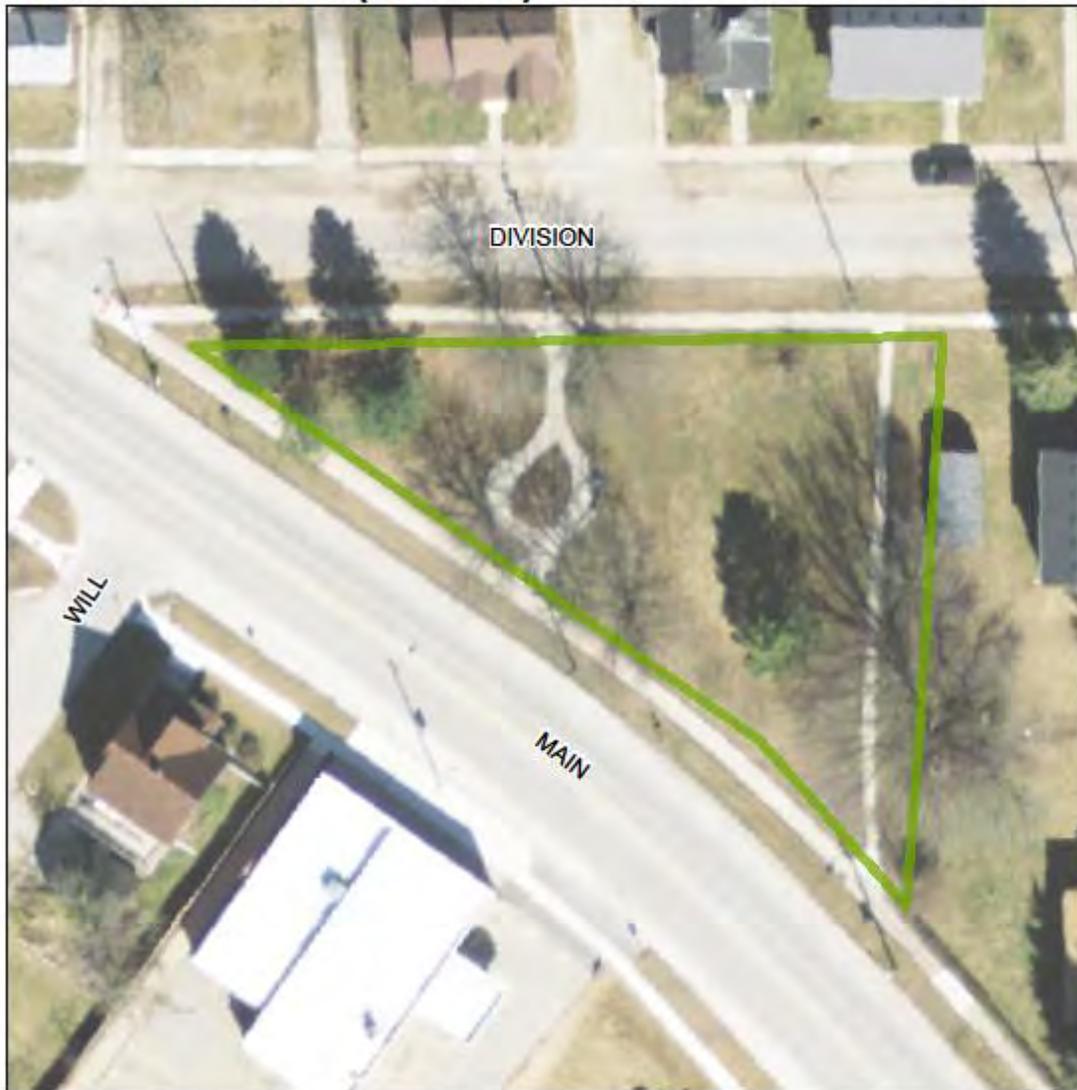


Park Amenities

- Fountain
- Benches
- Gateway Community Sign
- Landscaping
- Electrical Service

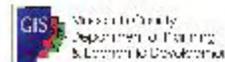


Division Street Park (0.3 acres)



Park Amenities

- Benches (2)
- Connecting Walkway
- Electrical Service



New Haven High School (25.0 acres)



Amenities

- Football/Soccer Field
- Baseball Field
- Softball Field
- Gymnasium
- Track & Field
- Practice Field
- Restrooms
- Concessions



New Haven Schools Administration Building (22.0 acres)



Amenities

- Lighted Football Field
- Baseball Diamonds (5)
- Basketball Courts (3)
- Playscape
- Track
- Gymnasium



Endeavour Middle School (10.5 acres)



Amenities

- Baseball Fields
- Playscapes/Monkey Bars
- Soccer Fields



New Haven Elementary School (6.2 acres)



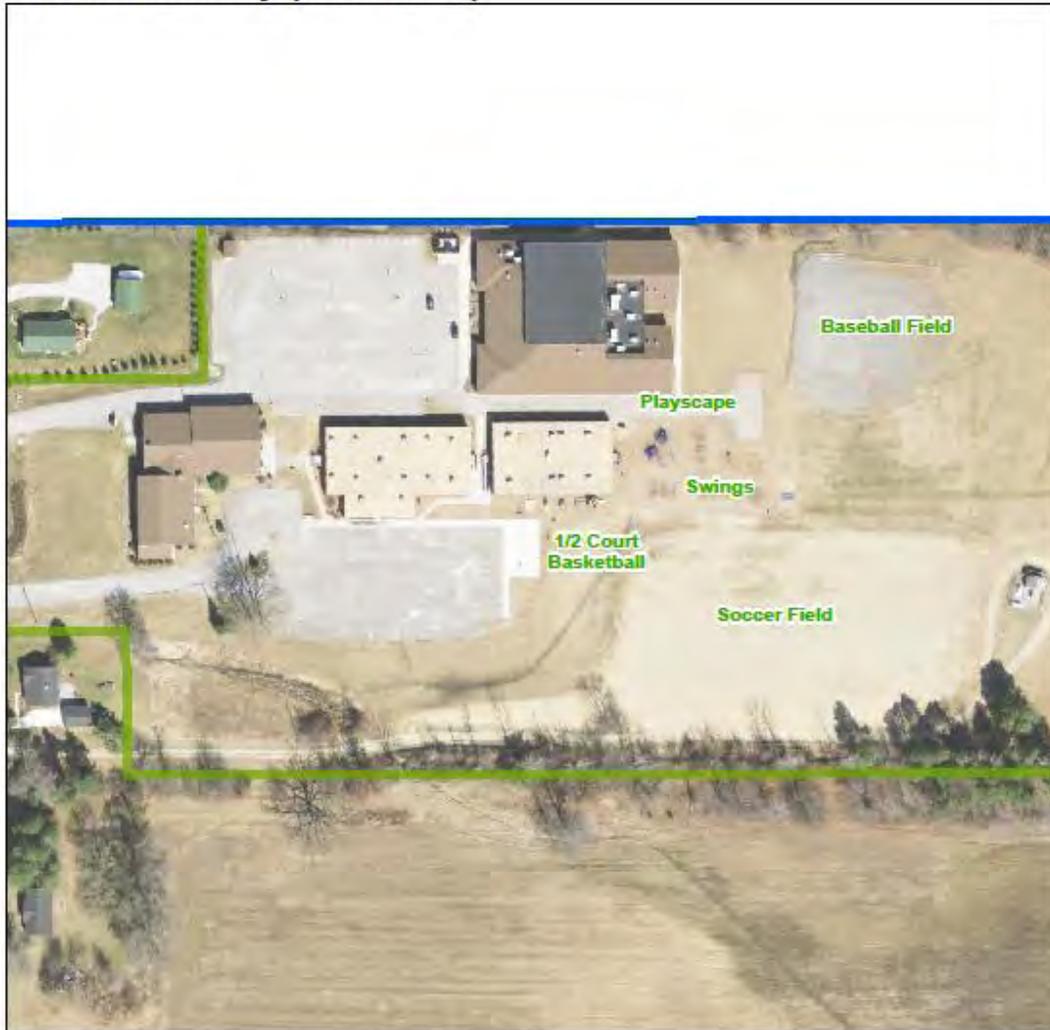
Amenities

- Basketball Courts (3)
- Swings (12) + Tire Swings (2)
- Playscapes/Monkey Bars



Privately Maintained Parks and Recreation Facilities

Merritt Academy (15.6 acres)



Amenities

- Baseball Field
- 1/2 Court Basketball
- Playscape
- Open Space
- Soccer Field
- Swings (18)



Amherst Subdivision (4.1 acres)



Amenities

- Pavillion
- Soccer/Baseball
- Picnic Tables (6)
- Community Pools (2)
- Bathhouse with showers



Decora Park Subdivision (2.9 acres)



Amenities

- Playscape
- Swings (4)
- Open Field
- Pavillion
- Benches



Meadow Creek Mobile Home Park (1.5 acres)



Amenities

- Community Pool
- Playscape
- Community Center
- Basketball Court



Riverbrook Park Main (5.5 acres)



Amenities

- Picnic Area
- Horseshoes
- Basketball Court
- Softball Field



Riverbrook Park North (0.7 acres)



Amenities

- Basketball Court
- Benches, Picnic Tables
- Playscape, Swings (6)



Riverbrook Park South (0.3 acres)



Amenities

- Benches, Picnic Tables
- Playscape, Swings (12)



Riverbrook Community Center (0.8 acres)



Amenities

- Community Pool
- Community Center



Accessibility

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources in their publication “Guidelines for the Development of Community Park, Recreation, Open Space, and Greenway Plans” states that recreational areas, facilities, and programs play an important role in the life of the community; therefore it is essential that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy these areas and any programs provided. Federal and state laws prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability, and these laws apply to parks and other recreation lands and programs controlled and operated by local units of government. The DNR has a strong commitment to barrier free recreational opportunities in our Department-managed programs and facilities. This commitment extends to those communities that receive recreation grants.

The accessibility assessment for the Village of New Haven’s parks and recreation facilities was done on the rating scale listed below:

- 1 = none of the facilities/park areas meet accessibility guidelines
- 2 = some of the facilities/park areas meet accessibility guidelines
- 3 = most of the facilities/park areas meet accessibility guidelines
- 4 = the entire park meets accessibility guidelines
- 5 = the entire park was developed/renovated using the principals of universal design.

Park or Recreation Facility	Accessibility Rating
Village Park	3
Fountain Park	4
Division Street Park	3
New Haven High School	2
New Haven Special Education Building	2
New Haven Elementary	2
Merritt Academy	2
Amherst Subdivision	2
Decora Park Subdivision	2
Meadow Creek Mobile Home Park	2
Riverbrook Mobile Home Park - Main	1
Riverbrook Mobile Home Park - North	1
Riverbrook Mobile Home Park - South	1
Riverbrook Mobile Home Park – Community Center	3

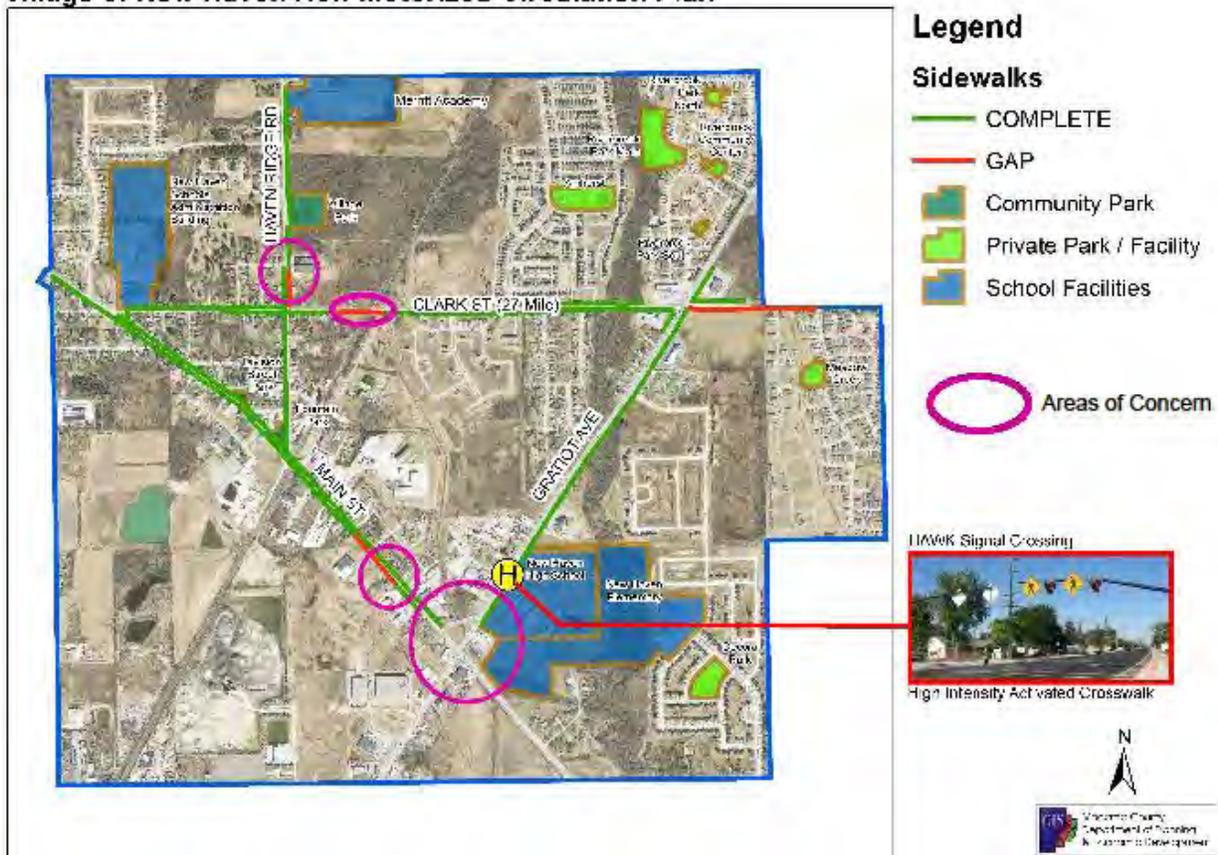


Non-Motorized Transportation – Sidewalks, Bike Paths and Trails

When inventorying Parks and Recreation facilities within the Village it was deemed important to examine the community’s non-motorized transportation network. Non-motorized transportation includes walking and bicycling as a means of accessing the community. During workshop sessions Village residents voiced a need for community connectivity and sited safety concerns in a number of areas around the Village. Top concerns of residents included gaps in existing sidewalk system, pedestrian safety along the Gratiot Avenue corridor and connecting schools, parks, municipal offices and senior community center.

Within the Village the sidewalk system is functional and provides walking options between most community facilities. The sidewalk system does present users with gaps along key routes within the community. Presently New Haven does not have any dedicated bikeways. A bikeway is another non-motorized transportation mode that allows bikers to ride within the roadway to connect into the local road network and provide access to places outside their community. Trails allow both bicycle and pedestrian users to travel outside the road right-of-way on a more scenic route to their destination. The Village of New Haven plans to engage Macomb County to encourage the extension of the Macomb Orchard regional trail to the Village and north along the Gratiot Avenue corridor to the City of Richmond.

Village of New Haven Non-Motorized Circulation Plan



Section 4.0 Planning and Public Input Process

The Village of New Haven employed a number of planning and public input techniques to develop this Parks and Recreation Master Plan. In order to adequately engage a comprehensive network of stakeholders the Village utilized the Planning Commission, Village Council, Village Administrators, Recreation Stakeholder groups, the Macomb County Department of Planning and Economic Development (MCPED) and comments/interactions from the general public to craft the goals and objectives presented in this document. The following section will highlight the planning and public input procedures taken by these vested groups of stakeholders to develop a comprehensive Parks and Recreation Plan. This process allowed the community to analyze existing conditions and resources, strategize for future investments, and cultivate a forward thinking approach to the next era of parks and recreation within the Village of New Haven.

Planning Methods

To facilitate a professional and impactful planning experience, the Village of New Haven tasked MCPED to assist in the development of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Planning staff from the County were brought in to tabulate data, assess existing resources, and facilitate workshops and informational sessions. When the Village and MCPED began to compile the data and resources for the foundation of this Parks and Recreation Master Plan it became evident that the most appropriate means of planning would be a systems based approach.

The systems approach to planning was developed by James D. Mertes and James R. Hall for the National Recreation and Park Association in 1995. This planning approach is a process of assessing the park, recreation, and open space needs of a community and translating that information into a framework for meeting the physical, spatial, and facility requirements to satisfy those needs. The community and its planning stakeholders decided to apply this planning method because it considered all parks and recreation facilities, programs and services as a part of larger structure. A new playground at one park would not just change the physical environment of that single facility, or a new senior citizen program at the recreation center would not just need space and volunteers to hold the event. Each decision can influence additional elements of the parks and recreation system within the Village. A single strategy or investment has the ability to alter user patterns and increase or decrease additional parks and recreation needs. It is this interlinkage between parks and recreation facilities, programs and services that creates a dynamic atmosphere where the Village must continually evaluate and create appropriate policies and procedures for parks and recreation.

In order to effectively utilize this system based approach, the Village founded this Parks and Recreation Master Plan on a wide-ranging inventory of all the community's parks and recreation facilities. Presented in Section 3.0, the inventory illustrates existing conditions and amenities located throughout the community. This inventory, coupled with the demographic analysis created for the Community Description, has become the baseline for future planning and investment. In the following section the plan will highlight a series of goals and objectives that will lead New Haven into the next 5 years of parks and recreation prosperity. The goals and objectives will then be linked to a strategic plan of

action that recommends specific parks and recreation projects to be undertaken over the lifespan of this document. Each goal, objective and subsequent action plan was crafted with the intent to create a more comprehensive system of parks and recreation services within the Village of New Haven.

Public Input Process

Open Meetings

The Village of New Haven took great strides to engage both stakeholder groups and the general public in the development of this Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The Village utilized the Planning Commission as the primary sounding board for any comments and input regarding the Plan. At the Commissions monthly public meetings the Village promoted an open invitation to members of the general public to comment and participate in the development of the Plan. Over the span of XXXX months the Planning Commission discussed and drafted different elements of the plan at each of its meetings. The following sections were presented at Planning Commission meetings:

- February 2015 – Plan Development Timeline and Strategy
- March 2015 – Community Description & Demographics
- May 2015 – Administrative Structure & Parks and Recreation Inventory
- August 2015 – Planning & Public Input Process
- September 2015 – Goals and Objectives
- October 2015 – Action Plan & 30 Day Public Review Draft

Public Workshops

During the course of the planning process the Village hosted two Parks and Recreation workshops. The first of these was held June 2, 2015 at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Planning Commission. This informal session was designed to gather input from elected community officials and key Village department heads. At this session the parks and recreation planning process and project time line were presented. Attendees provided the Planning Commission with their recommendations for the community and ideas for future projects



and funding. The second workshop was held on August 4, 2015 at a special time prior to the regularly scheduled Planning Commission meeting. This meeting was targeted for recreation stakeholders which included organizations providing recreation programming, the New Haven School District and the general public. Attendees were lead through a series of exercises designed to identify strengths and weaknesses within the existing park system and private programming offerings. Attendees were also asked to develop a list of recommendations for each park and the non-motorized network of paths and sidewalks. Summaries of the public workshops can be found in the appendix of this plan.

Community Survey

The Village of New Haven released an online community parks, recreation and non-motorized survey as an additional method of gathering input during the plan development process. Leveraging resources of the Macomb County Department of Planning and Economic Development the Village posted the survey on August 5, 2015. Content consisted of twelve questions focusing on household demographics, park usage, path and sidewalk usage and recommendations for the improvement of all



recreation elements. Links to the online survey were circulated via social media and via notices at the Village offices. Survey respondents could also obtain a paper copy of the survey from the Village offices or the library. The survey was closed on October 1, 2015 and the results tabulated and analyzed. In total there were **XXX** respondents. A copy of the survey and a summary of the results can be found in the appendix of this plan.

Public Comment Period and Public Hearing

The draft plan was completed in October 2015 and was released to the public for the 30 day review period on **DAY MONTH DATE YEAR**. During the 30 day review period the general public had an opportunity to review the Plan at the Village Offices, library or online at the Community's website. The 30 day review period ended on **MONTH DATE YEAR**, and the Planning Commission finalized the document and sent it to Village Council for scheduling a public hearing and final plan approval. The public hearing for the proposed Parks and Recreation Master Plan was held on **MONTH DATE YEAR**. The Village Council approved and adopted the Parks and Recreation Master Plan on **DAY MONTH DATE YEAR**. Over a span of **XXX** months the residents of the Village of New Haven had **XXX**

opportunities at public meetings to provide input on the plan. At each meeting members of the public were encouraged to ask questions and provide feedback on the documents progress.



SECTION 5.0 Goals and Objectives

Within the Village of New Haven parks and recreation is a system of services that is administered by a dynamic network of elected officials, department heads, volunteers, private organizations, non-profits and the faith-based community. In preparing this Parks and Recreation Master Plan the Village of New Haven has created a series of goals and objectives that will act as benchmarks for the Village over the next five years. These policy statements will guide the community in the organization, development and administration of the Village's parks and recreation services. In developing these goals and objectives the Village of New Haven recognized that its community is continually evolving. The political, financial, social and physical environment of the Village is in a constant state of change; however the Village has expressed its desire to more effectively provide parks and recreation services. As opportunities and challenges arise the Village must be able to make informed and impactful decisions that will allow the Village and parks and recreation to grow. In order to develop these goals and objectives the Village considered a number of community factors. Each series of goals and objectives incorporates demographic and economic considerations, physical characteristics and municipal feasibility. As these policy statements were being created the Village reviewed each element in an open setting allowing for public input.



The following is a list of recommended goals and objectives designed to guide the future of parks and recreation within the Village of New Haven. By design these goals are painted with a very broad brush with the intent of being as open and inclusive of all future opportunities that may present themselves to the Village over the life of the plan. Specific recommendations have been aligned with the broad goals and are presented as objectives. Goals are the destination. The objectives serve as the compass. Each objective represents an action or set of actions that once achieved will help the community attain its goals.

Goal 1: Establish an administrative structure for Parks and Recreation within the Village

The Village of New Haven will establish an administrative structure and budget to facilitate parks and recreation.

- Village Council establishes a Parks and Recreation Board to administer Parks and Recreation Master Plan, budget and Action Plan
- Parks and Recreation Board works with sponsors and partners to market and promote all seasonal events, youth sports programs, library and faith based community programs along with Village sponsored events
- Village Council establishes a formal Parks and Recreation line item<s> within the Village budget

Goal 2: Provide for Parks and Recreation Opportunities

The Village of New Haven, through its Parks and Recreation Board, will explore future opportunities to expand park and recreation facilities and programs for Village residents and visitors.

- Expand the Village's offerings of Parks and Recreation programming and activities
- Explore a dedicated funding source for Parks and Recreation programming
- Develop a parks and recreation capital improvement program that will establish a means of investing in physical improvements to the Village's parks and recreation facilities
- Identify areas where the Village of New Haven can establish new, or expand existing, parks and recreation facilities, programs, partnerships and services
- Explore the feasibility of developing a community splash park
- Repurpose and redevelop Division Street Park
- Pledge that all parks and recreation facilities, programs and services are administered in a safe and secure environment

Goal 3: Community Development and Engagement

The Village of New Haven recognizes that parks and recreation services can serve as a catalyst for strengthening community pride and uniting residents.

- Ensure that all residents and visitors, regardless of age or ability, can adequately access parks and recreation facilities, services and programs
- Develop a more comprehensive assortment of parks and recreation programs engaging a wider spectrum of residents and visitors. Include additional services and programs for special populations, such as seniors and school aged children.
- Create partnerships with corresponding parks and recreation service providers within the County, region and state
- Enhance communication with residents, stakeholders and service providers by utilizing multiple media and print resources to communicate parks and recreation information.
- Engage community through events and programs that highlight the cultural assets and unique traditions of the Village

Goal 4: Environmental Stewardship

The Village of New Haven will leverage parks and recreation facilities, programs and services to highlight, preserve and protect environmentally significant areas within the Village.

- Determine the location and character of environmentally significant areas throughout the community
- Target environmentally significant areas for preservation and parks and recreation purposes
- Support and partner with local, county, and regional initiatives surrounding the environment and Lake St. Clair

Goal 5: Support Economic Development

The Village of New Haven will leverage parks and recreation facilities, programs and services to generate economic growth and prosperity.

- Promote and partner with festivals and special events to increase activity and interest in the Village of New Haven
- Link investments in parks and recreation to larger community projects including private developments and infrastructure improvements
- Explore opportunities for local businesses to partner with parks and recreation through marketing, sponsorships and promotions

Goal 6: Enhance Community Connectivity

The Village of New Haven will provide residents a non-motorized system of sidewalks, bike paths and trails that provides connectivity to community assets and promotes healthy lifestyles for Village residents.

- Improve pedestrian circulation and safety throughout the community
- Connect resident population to parks, schools, community facilities through a network of sidewalks, bike paths and trails
- Engage County and neighboring local units of government to connect the Village to the expanding network of regional trails
- Engage Michigan Department of Transportation and the Macomb County Department of Roads to enhance pedestrian safety in the Gratiot Avenue corridor and the Gratiot Avenue/New Haven Road (M-19) intersection.
- Continue to identify and prioritize service gaps and safety issues in the Village sidewalk network.
- Engage private developers to extend/enhance the network of trails within the community by providing linkages through their developments.
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SECTION 6.0 Action Plan

Throughout the development of this document the Village of New Haven has engaged its residents, recreation service provider stakeholders and community leaders in examining the state of its parks and recreation facilities. Demographic trends were examined to assess the future needs of individual segments of the population, while public input gave insight to the perceptions and desires of the community. The resulting goals and objectives, detailed in section five, provide a framework for guiding the actions of the community over the duration of the plan.

The Village of New Haven has developed a set of action items to be considered for implementation over the next five years. The action items have been categorized by park facility or as a community wide action. They have also been prioritized as items to be addressed in the next 1-2 (short term), 3-5 (long term) years or as ongoing tasks.

Funding for the proposed improvements can come solely from the general fund or from a combination of funding sources. The choice of how to fund elements of the action plan can be flexible through the leveraging of different combinations of funding sources. Listed below are suggested funding sources that should be leveraged to implement the plan

General Funds

The Village of New Haven has utilized general fund money to maintain and operate the park system. Any future improvements will remain dependent on these tax-supported funds, as will the continued operation and maintenance of the park system. Recreation planning will have to be coordinated with the yearly budgeting process for the Village's general fund.



Foundation, Council and Demonstration Grants

There are a variety of foundation, council (i.e. Watershed Council) and demonstration grants through various agencies available to partially finance portions of the recommended master plan.

Land and Water Conservation Fund (LAWCON)

The Land and Water Conservation Fund is a federally funded program administered by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. This program will provide funds on a 50/50 reimbursable matching basis for the development of outdoor and limited indoor recreation facilities. Funds are awarded to local projects after all project applications submitted in a year have been evaluated. The local share of a project can be cash, approved donations of service and material,



credit for locally assumed costs, and/or donated after project approval. The minimum grant amount is \$15,000 and the maximum grant amount is \$500,000.

Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF)

The Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund, also administered by MDNR, utilizes royalties from oil, gas, and other mineral developments on state-owned lands to help finance the acquisition and development of outdoor recreation facilities. Matching local funds are required in the amount of at least 25% of the total project cost. The minimum development grant amount is \$15,000 and the maximum grant amount is \$500,000. Projects proposed under this program should be directed towards helping meet statewide goals, including natural resource protection, water access, urban recreation, economic development, and community recreation. Land acquisition is an eligible funded item, as well as, trail and pathway development, waterfront access projects, and projects incorporating universal design.



Michigan Department of Natural Resources Recreation Passport Grants

PA 32 of 2010 created the Local Public Recreation Facilities Fund to be used for the development of public recreation facilities for local units of government. Money for this fund is derived from the sale of the Recreation Passport which replaces the resident Motor Vehicle Permit (MVP) — or window sticker — for state park entrance. The passport will be required for entry to state parks, recreation areas and boating access sites. The first \$12,730,000.00 will be distributed to replace lost revenue from the elimination of the motor vehicle permit and boating access site permits, as well as to pay for administration by the Secretary of State. Ten percent of remaining revenue will be used to fund the Recreation Passport local grant program. The grant program may only be used for local development projects. The program is focused on renovating and improving existing parks, but the development of new parks is eligible.



Minimum Grant Request: \$7,500 Maximum Grant Request: \$45,000.

All grants are paid as reimbursement for actual expenses (i.e. the community pays for the work and is then reimbursed at the percent (listed in the grant agreement) of the cost up to the grant amount). Only those costs directly associated with the construction of the project will be reimbursed, including engineering costs and the costs associated

with obtaining permits. Overhead, maintenance, administration, and cost overruns are not eligible for assistance.

Projects must fulfill the following requirements in order to be eligible:

- Current annual capital improvement plan (CIP) – plan must include the proposed project. If your community does not have a CIP, you must have a current approved recreation plan on file with the DNR.
- The applicant must own, have a perpetual easement, or lease the project site.
- Unimpeded access to the project site must be secured through ownership or an easement of term no less than the length of time that control of the project site is secured.
- The grantee must, at a minimum, design and maintain the facilities subject to the application in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended. Facilities that are designed for universal accessibility are strongly encouraged

Transportation Alternatives Program - TAP Program (MDOT, FHWA)

The Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), a component of the Federal MAP-21 Surface Transportation Program, offers funding opportunities to help expand transportation choices and enhance the transportation experience through implementing a number of transportation improvements, including pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure and safety programs, historic preservation and rehabilitation of transportation facilities, environmental mitigation activities, and safe routes to school programs. The program is administered by the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG). Application information, project eligibility and grant schedules are available online at www.semco.org.



Community-wide Action Items					
Action Item	Village Council	P&R Board	Village Departments	Community Partners	Short, Long, or Ongoing
Establish Park and Recreation Board	X				Short Term
Establish Parks & Recreation line Item in Village budget	X				Short Term
Develop a Parks and Recreation Capital Improvement Program	X	X			Short Term
Parks and Recreation Board establishes marketing and communication program designed to promote all seasonal events, youth sports programs, library and faith based community programs and Village sponsored events		X		X	Ongoing
Target environmentally significant areas for preservation and park and recreation purposes		X			Ongoing
Identify areas where the Village can establish new or expanded existing parks and facilities	X	X			Ongoing
Explore a dedicated funding source for Parks and Recreation programming	X	X			Long Term
Develop new park for team sports - soccer, baseball, softball on land owned by the Village	X	X	X		Long Term
Develop indoor Recreation Center facility	X	X			Long Term
Explore partnerships with corresponding parks and recreation service providers within the county, region and state		X			Long Term

New Haven Community Park					
Action Item	Village Council	P&R Board	Village Departments	Community Partners	Short, Long, or Ongoing
Explore expansion of park property	X	X			Short Term
Increase pedestrian safety and access to park via signed and striped crosswalk at Prospect and Havenridge Roads			X	X	Short Term
Develop community splash pad park		X		X	Long Term

Fountain Park					
Action Item	Village Council	P&R Board	Village Departments	Community Partners	Short, Long, or Ongoing
Develop restroom facilities with drinking fountains		X	X		Long Term
Develop band stand / gazebo structure		X	X	X	Long Term
Enhance existing electrical service to include additional lighting		X	X		Long Term

Division Street Park					
Action Item	Village Council	P&R Board	Village Departments	Community Partners	Short, Long, or Ongoing
Develop a reuse / redevelopment plan for park		X			Short Term
Clean up and enhance existing plantings, trees and shrubbery			X	X	Short Term

APPENDIX

Parks & Recreation Plan Workshop #1 Summary**New Haven Planning Commission 3/3/2015****Audience: Community Officials, Public Safety, Community Departments**Park Assets

Community Park
Fountain Park
Division Street Park
Community Center

Concerns

Vandalism
Lighting improvements

Capital Improvements

Community Park – lighting w/ motion sensors, splash zone
Fountain Park – lighting w/ motion sensors, landscaping, pavilion/gathering place
Division Street Park – landscaping improvements, playscape
Repurpose Division Street church property
Environmental demonstration projects - in park learning opportunities

Programming

Establish Parks and Recreation Committee as programming body
Festival s and Events – Rocket Fest, Rose Cellar, Easter Egg Hunt, River Day, Music in the Park Series,
Cancer Walk, Library activities

Stakeholders

New Haven Schools
Little League Program
Clinton River Watershed Council
Haven Place
Macomb County Public Works Office
Macomb County Department of Roads
MDOT
MDNR

Non-Motorized Circulation Plan

Connectivity between community and school assets
Macomb Orchard Trail destination community
Inventory of existing non-motorized facilities built/planned

Expansion

Indoor recreation facility – study repurposing/join use community/senior center
Inventory of Village owned property
Examination of the Chanault Street open space
Inventory of all environmentally constrained properties

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What we Seek to Accomplish

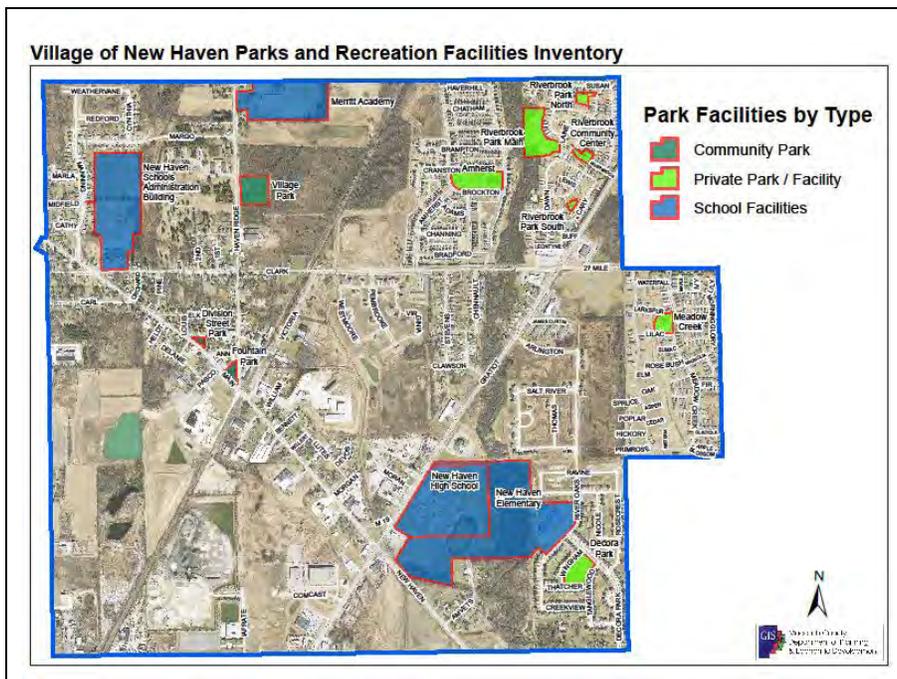
- Utilize the State of Michigan DNR Framework to develop a community park, recreation and Non-Mortorized master plan.
- Ability to access state grants for parks and recreation
- This plan is the mechanism to evaluate, plan, and invest in parks and recreation
- Provide the Village with a clear set of goals and objectives for parks and recreation services, programs, and facilities



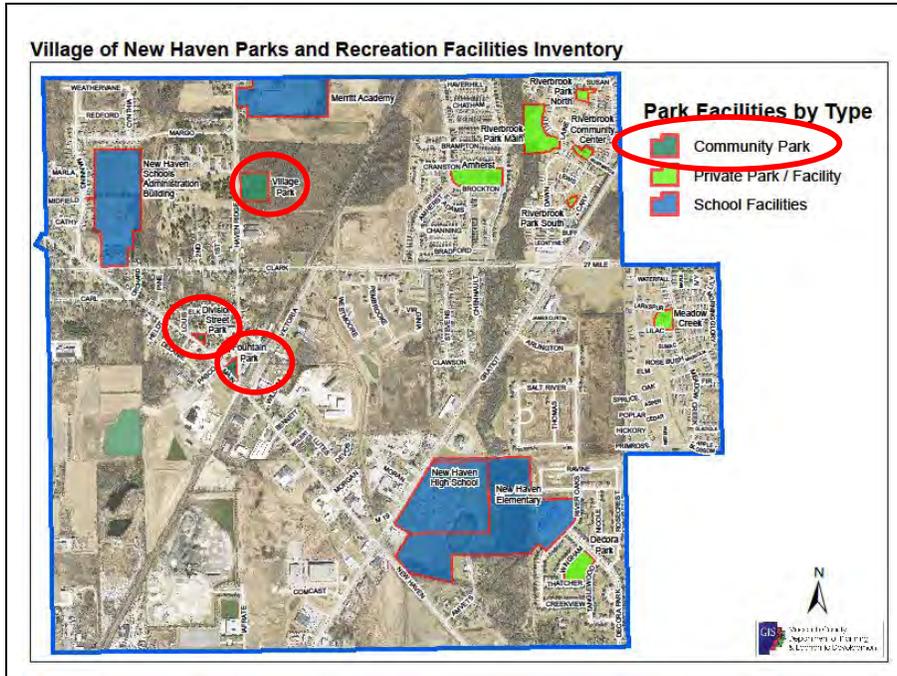
Preparing the Plan and Plan Content

- ✓Community Description
- ✓Administrative Structure
- ✓Recreation Inventory
- Planning and Public Input Process
- Goals and Objectives
- Action Program

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Village Park (3.7 acres)



Park Amenities

- Picnic Shelter (2)
- Picnic Tables (13)
- Grills (7)
- Drinking Fountain (2)
- Full Restroom Facilities
- Maintenance Building
- Benches (6)
- Basketball Courts (2)
- Horseshoes
- Sand Volleyball Court
- Walking Path 1/3 mile total
- Swings (6)
- Playscape (Age 5-12 years)
- Soccer Field



Fountain Park - 0.7 acres
58420 Main Street




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Fountain Park (0.7 acres)



Park Amenities

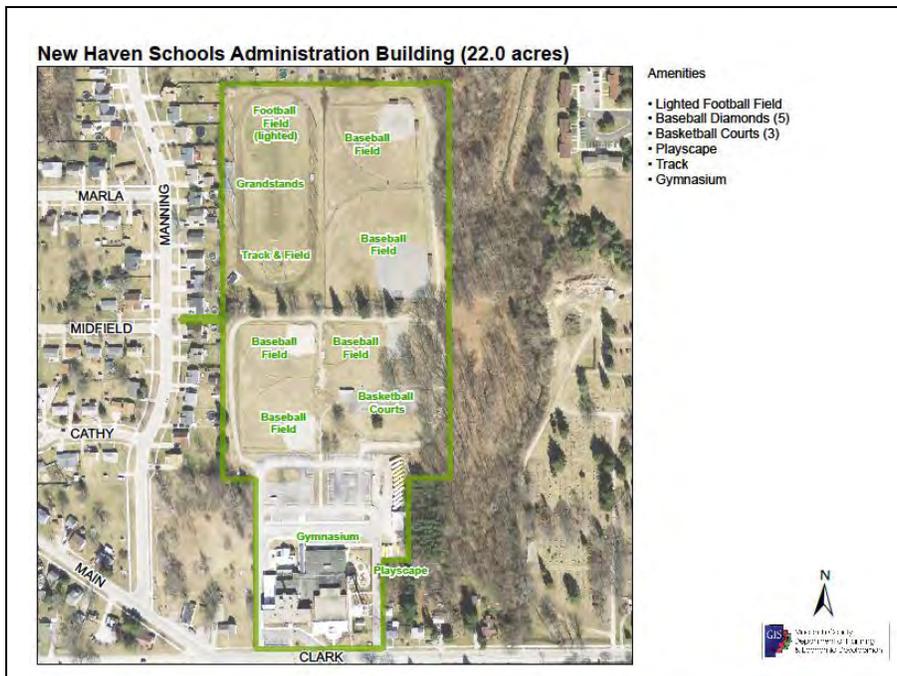
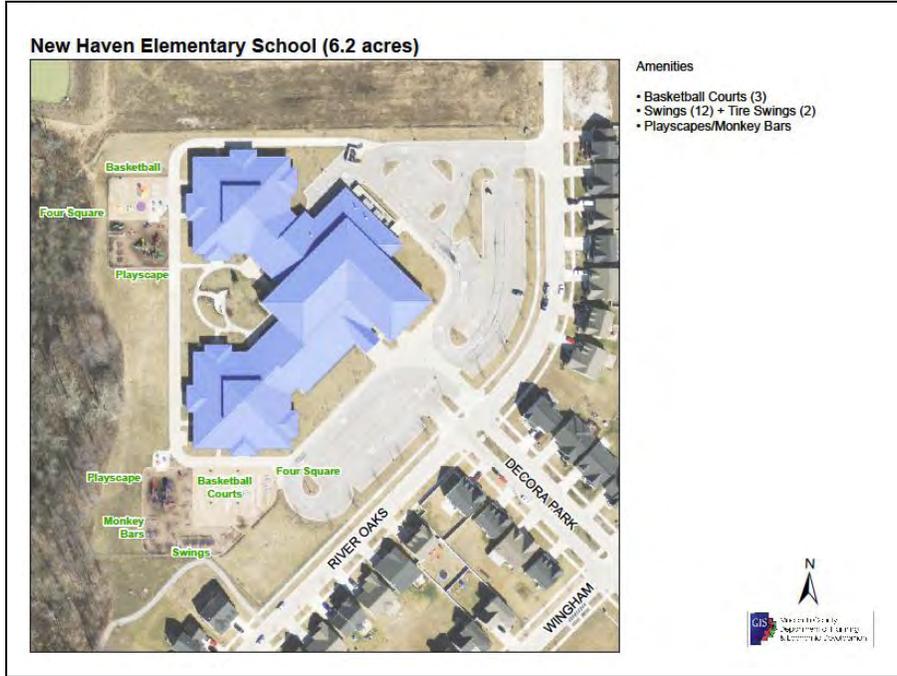
- Fountain
- Benches
- Gateway Community Sign
- Landscaping



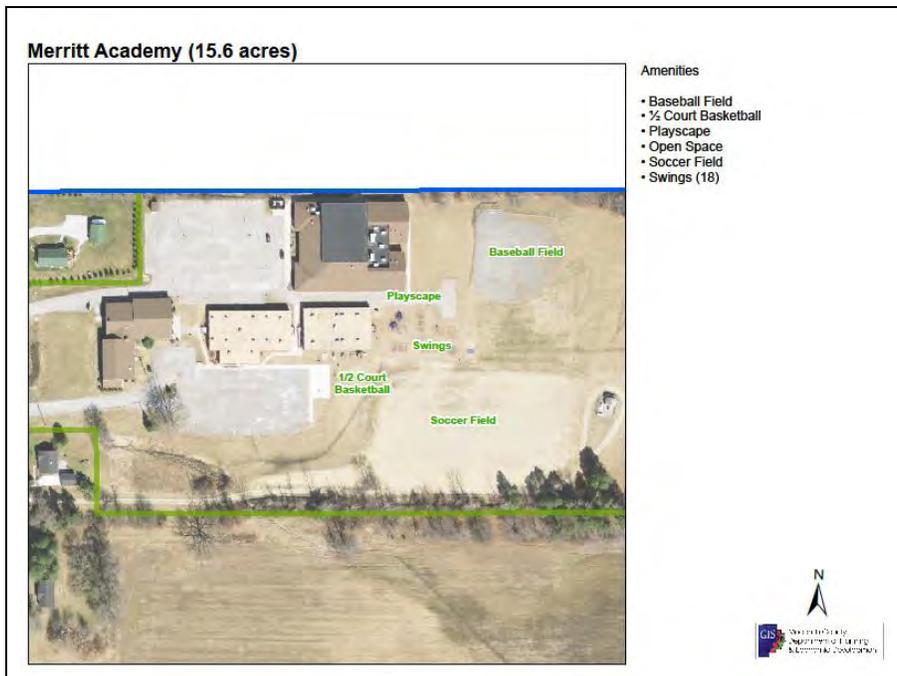
Division Street Park - 0.3 acres
58586 Main Street



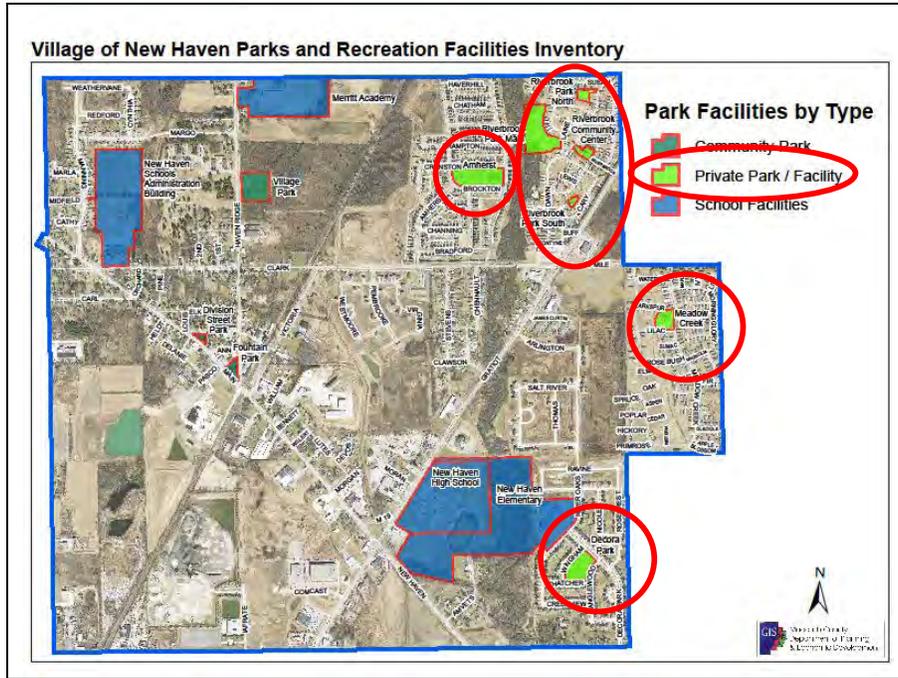
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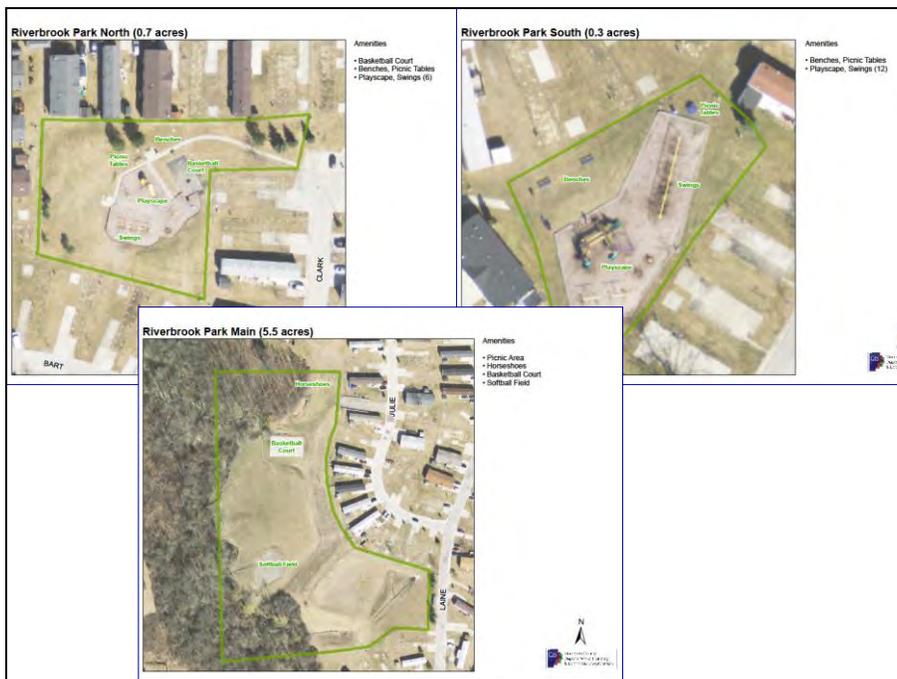
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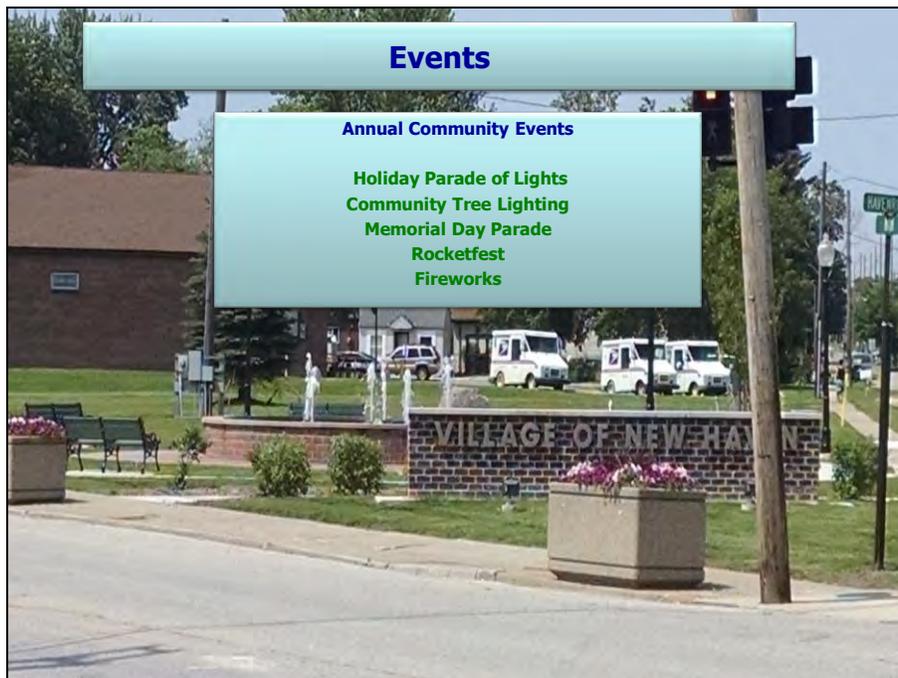
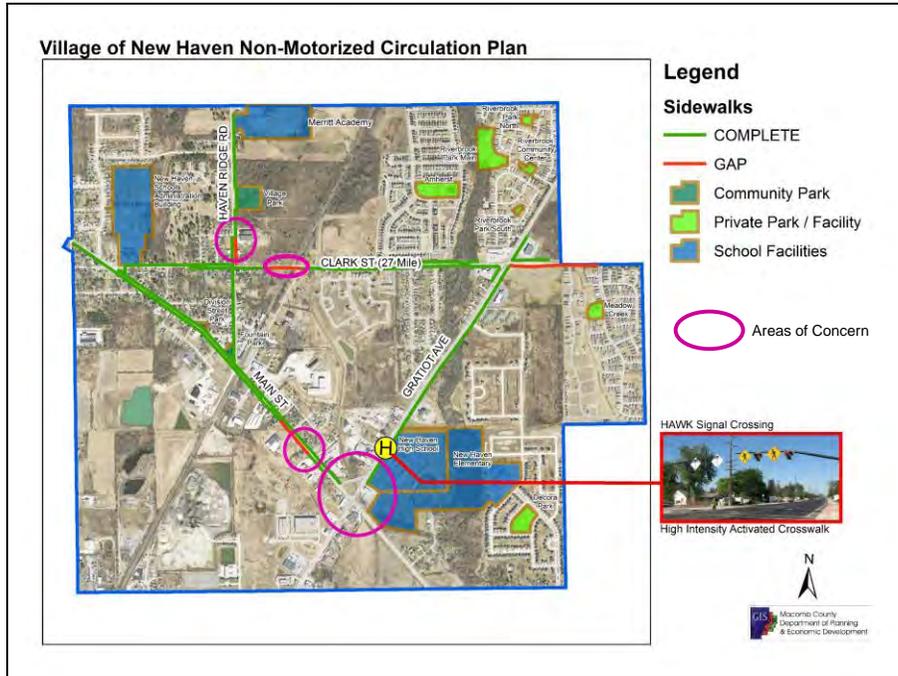
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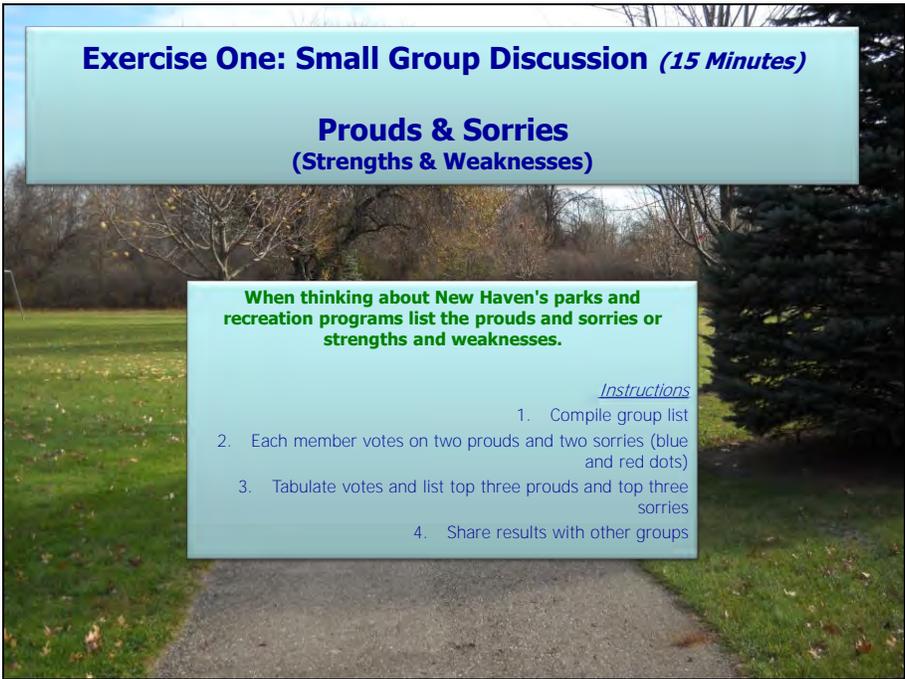


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"Where Do you Recreate?"

- Unique Activities?
- Special Destination?
- Sense of Place?
- Unique Natural Features?
- Impact on Local Economy?



Exercise One: Small Group Discussion (15 Minutes)

**Prouds & Sorries
(Strengths & Weaknesses)**

When thinking about New Haven's parks and recreation programs list the prouds and sorries or strengths and weaknesses.

Instructions

1. Compile group list
2. Each member votes on two prouds and two sorries (blue and red dots)
3. Tabulate votes and list top three prouds and top three sorries
4. Share results with other groups

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Exercise Two: Small Group Discussion (20 Minutes)

Brainstorming / Idea Generation

Discuss and list ideas for the following:

- Park Ideas for Kids
- Park Ideas for Seniors
- Park Ideas for Handicapped Individuals
- How Should Division Street Park be Developed/Used?
- What are our Parks missing?
- Non-motorized Trails, Pathways and Sidewalks
- Safety Concerns
- Community Connectivity
(schools – library – parks - neighborhoods)
- Community Events

Instructions

1. Compile group list for each of the topic areas

Exercise Three: Small Group Discussion (20 Minutes)

Preferred Future

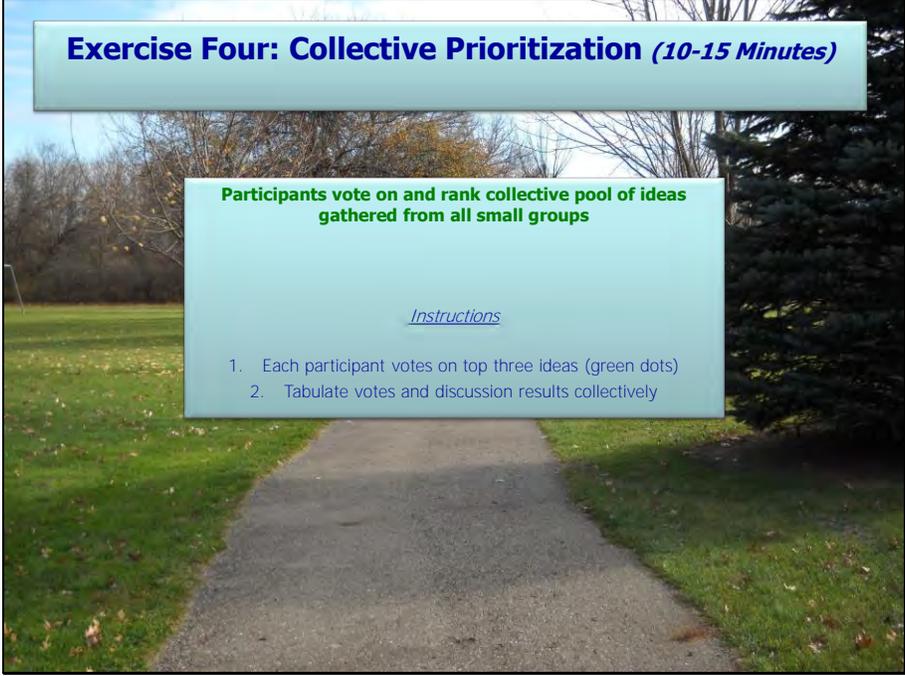
Imagine New Haven’s park facilities and programs as you would like to see them in the future. Compile a list for each park facility using the ideas generated from exercise two. Group members will then cast their vote for their the top two ideas in each topic area. Top ideas from each group will be ranked and shared with the other groups.

Village Park	Fountain Park
Division Street Park	New Park Facilities
New Community Events	Connectivity
Programming	

Instructions

1. Compile group list for each of the topic areas
2. Each member votes on top two ideas for each subtopic (green dots)
3. Tabulate votes and list top three ideas for each topic area
4. Share results with other groups

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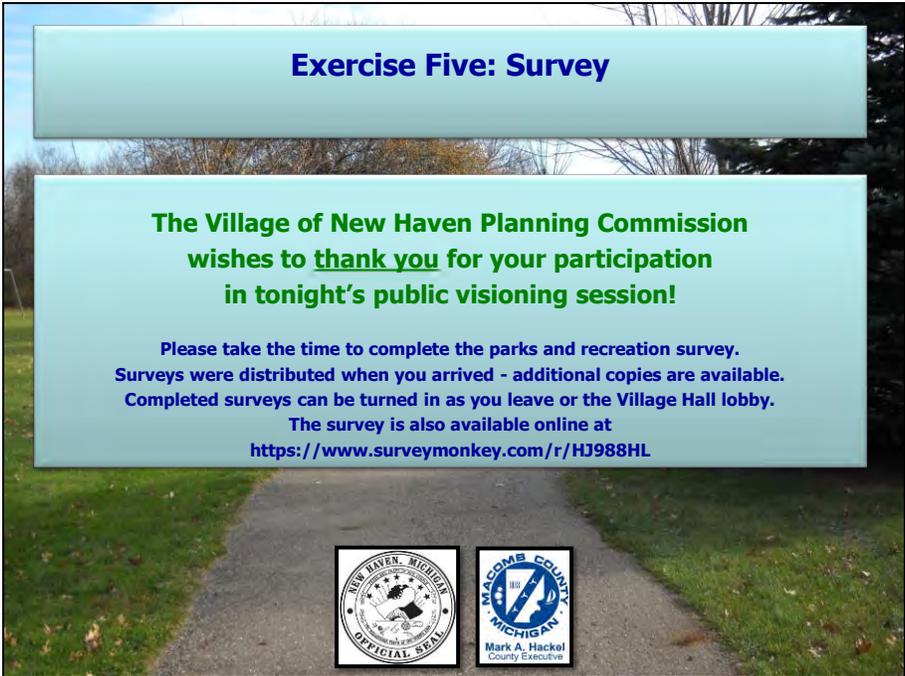


Exercise Four: Collective Prioritization (10-15 Minutes)

Participants vote on and rank collective pool of ideas gathered from all small groups

Instructions

1. Each participant votes on top three ideas (green dots)
2. Tabulate votes and discussion results collectively



Exercise Five: Survey

The Village of New Haven Planning Commission wishes to thank you for your participation in tonight's public visioning session!

Please take the time to complete the parks and recreation survey. Surveys were distributed when you arrived - additional copies are available. Completed surveys can be turned in as you leave or the Village Hall lobby. The survey is also available online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HJ988HL>



Sign-in Sheet
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The Village of New Haven Planning Commission Meeting Parks and Recreation Plan Workshop Tuesday, July 7, 2015 at 6:30 PM				
First Name	Last Name	Organization	Phone Number	Email Address
Diana & Bob	Hoffman	Hoffman's Auto Service	586-709-3943	hoffman@AIService.com
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George	Drake	Faces Lounge / George Drake & Assc.	586-654-2364	gman241@hotmail.com
Cathy	McGee	Softball	586-219-7429	loubelle73@comcast.net
Chalmers	Sanders	HS Basketball	248-722-0160	csan7567@yahoo.com
Bonnie	Sanders	HS Basketball	586-744-2483	mooney_sanders@yahoo.com
Barb	Ramsey		586-799-7725	barbram47@hotmail.com
Sheila	Drake		586-749-3306	
Jack	Oddo	27 Gratiot Plaza	586-405-0495	jackoddo@aol.com
Denise	Kubik	New Haven Education Foundation	248-720-8192	denisekubik@yahoo.com
Robert	Pamell	Cub Scout Pack 72 New Haven Youth Soccer	586-722-4300	rob.cubscoutpack72@gmail.com
Tracey	Bonkowski	New Haven Comm Schools Baseball & Softball	586-749-6657	tbonkowski@nhav.misd.net
Jason	Walker	New Haven Little League	586-854-1068	nhll2009@yahoo.com
Loretta	Akers	New Haven Planning	313-392-3285	lakers@comcast.net
David	Bonkowski		586-382-0184	djbonkowski@comcast.net
Daniel	VanDekerkhove	Village Council	586-354-7033	danvandek@gmail.com
Gina	Walker	New Haven School Board	586-749-9191	gwalker@nhav.misd.net

Village of New Haven Parks & Recreation Stakeholders Workshop Summary Tuesday July 7, 2015

On July 7, 2015, staff of the Macomb County Department of Planning and Economic Development facilitated a community stakeholder's workshop in support of the development of a new Parks and Recreation Master Plan for the Village of New Haven. The purpose of the workshop was to engage recreation stakeholders in a guided SWOT analysis of recreation assets and programming within the Village. Attendees were provided with a brief 15 minute presentation which covered the master planning process, Michigan Department of Natural Resources plan requirements, the importance of public input and the status of the project.

After the presentation workshop attendees were broken into small groups and provided with a series of exercises designed to explore the strengths, weaknesses and opportunities for each of the village owned park facilities. Additionally, workshop attendees completed a future visioning exercise that drew upon the ideas formulated around the commonly identified strengths and weaknesses. Individual groups developed and rank ordered their ideas presenting the top ones to all of the groups. Common ideas and themes were recorded and will be utilized during the development of the plan's Goals and Objectives.

At the end of the exercises attendees were thanked for their input and encouraged to review the public draft of the Parks and Recreation Plan document in the fall when released. Attendees were also encouraged to attend the public hearing for the plan that would be scheduled later in the 4th quarter 2015.

The following is a summary of the input derived from this workshop.

Exercise One: Small Group Discussion (15 Minutes)

Prouds & Sorries / Strengths & Weaknesses

When thinking about New Haven's Parks and Recreation Programs,

Votes	Strengths	Votes	Weaknesses
9	Division St. Park has the potential for more actives use. A popular idea was to use the park for senior citizen activiites, such as games (chess, checkers, cards, shuffle board, horseshoes)		
6	New Haven has great private organizations that coordinate school events and sports programs such as little league, football basketball, cub scouts, and boy/girl scouts		
3	There are great community Events such as the homecoming parade, Rocketfest, Easter Egg Hunt, concerts in the park, and the Memorial Day Parade		
1	The Fountain - creates a gathering space		
	The Village Community Park offers a lot of activity and options for recreation		
	All the parks have the potential to expand within themselves & offer activities		
			Focus - Fountain Park
		1	No place for new business downtown No water activites or garden No lighting
		2	There are no picnic tables or seating Lack of supervision at the parks
		2	The Village lacks a comprehensive trail system. There is little ability to walk or ride bikes around town.
		4	Division park needs a makeover, new landscaping/lighting/layout
		6	The Village lacks an official Parks and Recreation Dpt. It has no one appointed to organize programming or run the parks.
		3	There is no property or money set aside to fund youth sports programs such as a little league

Exercise Two: Small Group Discussion (20 Minutes)
 Brainstorming/Idea Generation
 Discuss and list ideas for the following topics:

Park Ideas for Kids	Park Ideas for Seniors	Park Ideas for Handicapped Ind.	Division Park
Bike rides (10 - 20 miles of trails)	Bike rides (10 - 20 miles of trails)	More accessibility / ADA Compliant	Trim Trees
Birthday Parties	Birthday Parties	Better Parking	Remove Scrub
Fitness Programs	Fitness Programs	Improved Lighting	Benches
Arts & Crafts	Arts & Crafts	Field Trips	Additional up keep
Splash Park	Splash Park	Picnics	Solar Lighting
Cross Country Skiing	Cross Country Skiing	Water Play Park	Redesign park entirely
Ice Skating	Ice Skating		Small Gazebo
Restroom Facilities	Restroom Facilities		Landscaping
Lighting	Lighting		
Organized non-sport activities	Field Trips		
Fall Events - Trunk or Treat	Picnics		
Improved play structures	Benches & Picnic Tables		
	Flower Gardens		
	Community Garden		
	Rummage Sale		
	Flee Market		
	Movie in the park		

Exercise Three: Small Group Discussion (15 Minutes)

Preferred Future

Imagine New Haven's park facilities and programs as you would like to see them in the future. Compile a list for each park facility using the ideas generated from exercise two.

Village Park		Division Street Park	
5	Update the play equipment, add a splash pad or park, and implement a summer recreation program focusing on fitness Create an indoor facility for winter activities (pool, play field, gym)	1	Implement senior programming (i.e. shuffle board, chess, ect.) Use the park for senior health fairs(blood pressure check, ect.)
1	Connect all of the New Haven parks with a trail system. This trail system would also connect to Lenow Township	6	Redesign the park entirely, put in flower gardens, benches, lighting
5	Land acquisition - purchase property on the north, east and south of the park Beautification and Landscaping	9	Beautification of the park - new landscaping, clean up scrub
		4	Havenplace - partner for better programming opportunities
		1	Install a Libaray Book Kiosk (Red Box)
Fountain Park		Connectivity	
8	Construct a pavillion or a gazebo for events, shelter, and public gatherings		Cross walk over Gratiot
2	Install a drinking fountain and bathroom		The sidewalks need curbs and better paving. The gravel paths are unsafe for children biking
3	Construct a stage for music in the park or the tree lighting ceremony		Create a nature trail that connects to all of the parks and Lenox Twp.
5	Create better parking opportunities. Also, create better access for food trucks Victorian Dancing or other evening events		
1	Splash Park or a Farmers/Flee Market		

Village of New Haven Recreation Plan Survey

Tuesday, September 29, 2015

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Total Responses

Date Created: Tuesday, June 16, 2015

Complete Responses: 128

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Q1 Please indicate the current number of people living in your household?

Answered: 128 Skipped: 0

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8	4	7/9/2015 2:35 PM
9	4	7/9/2015 1:49 PM
10	5	7/9/2015 12:37 PM
11	5	7/9/2015 12:26 PM
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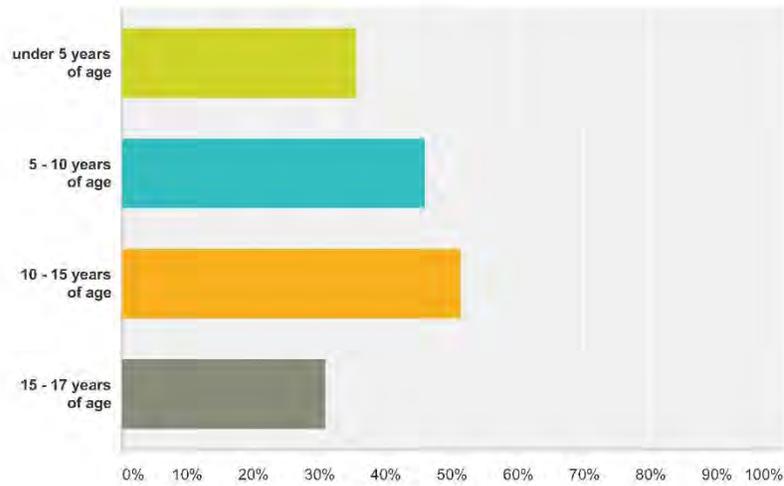
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Q2 If applicable, what are the ages of the children in your household?

Answered: 113 Skipped: 15



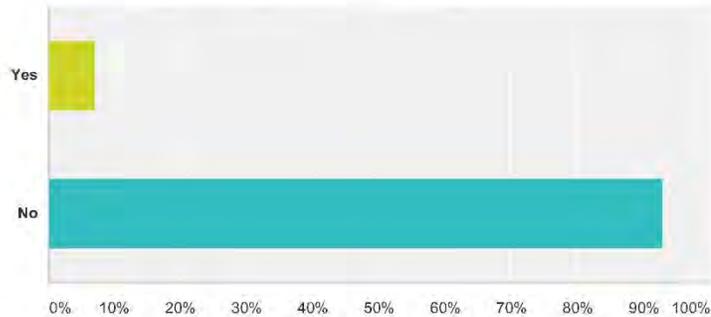
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Answer Choices	Responses	
under 5 years of age	35.40%	40
5 - 10 years of age	46.02%	52
10 - 15 years of age	51.33%	58
15 - 17 years of age	30.97%	35
Total Respondents: 113		

Q3 Does anyone in your household have special needs that could impact their ability to participate in recreation actives (e.g. visual/hearing impaired, limited mobility such as a walker or wheelchair user)?

Answered: 125 Skipped: 3



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	7.20%	9
No	92.80%	116
Total		125

Q4 Which park(s) does your family visit most often?

Answered: 97 Skipped: 31

#	Responses	Date
1	STONEY CREEK	7/20/2015 3:37 PM
2	Mostly Parks outside of New Haven After that the parks owned by the school district once in a great while the neighborhood park in Decora very rarely do we visit parks owned and run by the village. No way to walk to those parks and when we drive there, the kids get quite bored. Easier to drive to another town and utilize their parks.	7/14/2015 11:23 AM
3	School property not parks	7/13/2015 8:12 PM

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4	New haven, pollard, brandenburg	7/13/2015 7:22 AM
5	Havenridge, the green area in the triangle on Main street	7/11/2015 9:08 PM
6	Nothing in New Haven	7/9/2015 8:05 PM
7	Lenox	7/9/2015 2:35 PM
8	None in New Haven, New Baltimore	7/9/2015 1:49 PM
9	Village offices	7/9/2015 12:37 PM
10	Havenridge	7/9/2015 12:26 PM
11	Macomb park	7/9/2015 9:34 AM
12	Lenox township and New Baltimore	7/9/2015 9:04 AM
13	Haven Ridge	7/9/2015 8:27 AM
14	Decora	7/9/2015 6:59 AM
15	Decora	7/9/2015 12:07 AM
16	Macomb Corners	7/8/2015 10:08 PM
17	All	7/8/2015 9:36 PM
18	Decora Park	7/8/2015 9:34 PM
19	Usually the new one,we sit b6 the fountain.	7/8/2015 9:07 PM
20	Clark street	7/8/2015 9:02 PM
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33	In new haven? None....	7/8/2015 4:49 PM
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37	Lenox township	7/8/2015 3:51 PM
38	all	7/8/2015 3:50 PM
39	None	7/8/2015 3:37 PM
40	Elementary School Playground, Wolcott Mills	7/8/2015 3:20 PM
41	Macomb twp	7/8/2015 3:19 PM

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42	Stoney Creek, Lake St. Clair Metro Park and George George Park and Macomb Corners Park.	7/8/2015 3:15 PM
43	New haven elementary and private sub park in decora	7/8/2015 2:40 PM
44	Haven Ridge Park & new park at the fountain	7/8/2015 2:25 PM
45	New Haven Elementary.	7/8/2015 2:13 PM
46	Lenox	7/8/2015 2:04 PM
47	The park on Haven Ridge and the Lenox park.	7/8/2015 1:58 PM
48	Decora Park community playground	7/8/2015 1:54 PM
49	Fountain or New Haven Park on Havenridge	7/8/2015 1:50 PM
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51	New haven	7/8/2015 1:25 PM
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61	Stoney Creek Metropark Lake St Clair Metropark Lenox Township Park	7/8/2015 12:45 PM
62	None	7/8/2015 12:42 PM
63	Walter and Mary Burke Park- New Baltimore, Stoney Creek Metropark-Washington, Playgrounds in Decora Park Subdivision - New Haven	7/8/2015 12:41 PM
64	The one in our sub , Dacora	7/8/2015 12:33 PM
65	New Haven Elementary and the Decora Park community area.	7/8/2015 12:33 PM
66	Brandenburg	7/8/2015 12:32 PM
67	Decora Park & Pollard Park	7/8/2015 12:32 PM
68	new haven elementary, decora park playground,Richmond beebie street park	7/8/2015 12:30 PM
69	New baltimore beach, stony creek, Wolcott mill	7/8/2015 12:29 PM
70	decora elementary school	7/8/2015 12:24 PM
71	New Baltimore, Brandenburg, Lenox Twp	7/8/2015 12:23 PM
72	Haven ridge Brandenburg	7/8/2015 12:21 PM
73	Decora Park	7/8/2015 12:14 PM
74	Havenridge	7/8/2015 11:58 AM
75	Brandenburg	7/8/2015 11:57 AM
76	new Baltimore beach and Stoney creek decora park sub	7/8/2015 11:55 AM
77	George George in Clinton twp	7/8/2015 11:48 AM
78	Baseball fields behind Administration building and park inside Decora Park sub.	7/8/2015 11:46 AM

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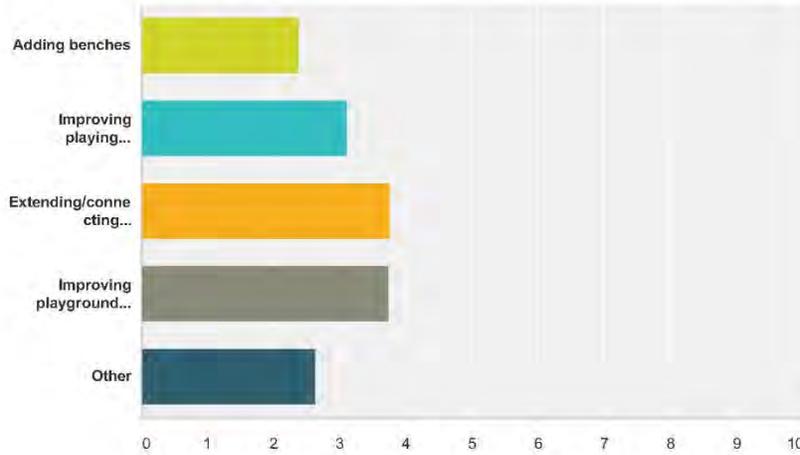
79	Lenox on Gratiot because none as nice in new haven	7/8/2015 11:33 AM
80	Havenridge park	7/8/2015 11:15 AM
81	New Baltimore	7/8/2015 11:08 AM
82	Havenridge	7/8/2015 11:07 AM
83	Macomb	7/8/2015 11:07 AM
84	Lenox Twp.	7/8/2015 10:54 AM
85	chesterfield	7/8/2015 10:50 AM
86	New Haven Village Park on Haven Ridge.	7/8/2015 10:38 AM
87	Mary and Walter Burke park, Brandenburg, New Haven park	7/8/2015 10:33 AM
88	Haven Ridge	7/8/2015 10:27 AM
89	Lenox	7/8/2015 10:23 AM
90	Stoney creek	7/8/2015 10:05 AM
91	None	7/8/2015 9:45 AM
92	Lenox, Brandenburg	7/8/2015 9:40 AM
93	NONE "in" Village, we use Decora Park since that is our residence and the Village Parks don't meet our needs. Of the Village Parks Havenridge Park is probably the nicest, but it doesn't safely connect to residents east of Gratiot, or anyone really not directly on Haveridge	7/8/2015 9:35 AM
94	New haven community park	7/8/2015 9:22 AM
95	Burke park in New Baltimore,MI	7/8/2015 9:17 AM
96	They need more for kids so none really	7/8/2015 9:16 AM
97	Fountain Park, Decora Park Subdivision Park (association-owned).	7/8/2015 1:24 AM

Q5 Please rank the following improvement options by assigning numbers 1 through 5 (5 being the highest priority, 1 being the lowest priority):

Answered: 123 Skipped: 5

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	1	2	3	4	5	Total	Weighted Average
Adding benches	26.04% 25	35.42% 34	19.79% 19	11.46% 11	7.29% 7	96	2.39
Improving playing fields/courts	8.65% 9	22.12% 23	33.65% 35	20.19% 21	15.38% 16	104	3.12
Extending/connecting pedestrian paths	5.94% 6	11.88% 12	16.83% 17	30.69% 31	34.65% 35	101	3.76
Improving playground equipment	6.36% 7	6.36% 7	23.64% 26	34.55% 38	29.09% 32	110	3.74
Other	44.64% 25	8.93% 5	12.50% 7	5.36% 3	28.57% 16	56	2.64

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	ADD A SWIMMING POOL	7/20/2015 3:37 PM
2	Adding unique feature (splash pad, art sculpture, nature trail..etc	7/14/2015 11:23 AM
3	Developing existing village owned property into athletic fields and a bigger park with walking/bike trails a recreation building.	7/13/2015 8:12 PM
4	Creation of a municipal parks and rec building	7/9/2015 8:05 PM
5	band stand for concerts	7/9/2015 8:27 AM
6	Access to the elementary from other parks so tha! kids don't have to go on 26 mile to get there!	7/8/2015 9:36 PM
7	WATER / SQUIRT ZONE	7/8/2015 8:24 PM
8	Swimming	7/8/2015 7:42 PM
9	How about a park that I can go to or even ride to. There are limited paths, sidewalks are in terrible shape.	7/8/2015 6:53 PM
10	Ice skating or skating rink outdoor. Teather ball court. Skate board ramps.	7/8/2015 6:17 PM
11	Clean up the trash and blight	7/8/2015 5:08 PM
12	Pool	7/8/2015 4:49 PM
13	Improving overall appearance/infrastructure/cleanliness	7/8/2015 3:20 PM

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14	Little league fields, soccer fields, multi purpose fields (like Macomb has fields are used for Little league and Adult mens and coed softball all on the same field.	7/8/2015 2:13 PM
15	Restrooms	7/8/2015 1:54 PM
16	Get the swearing teenagers out.	7/8/2015 1:12 PM
17	Paid P&R coordinator	7/8/2015 12:58 PM
18	Get the blight under control. No one wants to walk through a dump of a town to get to a park.	7/8/2015 12:33 PM
19	Splash park or community pool	7/8/2015 12:32 PM
20	Bathrooms.	7/8/2015 12:30 PM
21	More activities	7/8/2015 12:23 PM
22	Having a working bathroom and drinking water available	7/8/2015 12:21 PM
23	more at Fountain park	7/8/2015 12:14 PM
24	Park and Recs Center	7/8/2015 11:55 AM
25	picnic areas with overhead coverage	7/8/2015 11:33 AM
26	Snow hill at Lenox park	7/8/2015 10:54 AM
27	Adding cooking/bbq pits and picnic tables throughout park	7/8/2015 10:38 AM
28	Having more to offer	7/8/2015 10:33 AM
29	improved floral landscaping	7/8/2015 9:35 AM
30	Aesthetics and Landscaping! Parking (clearly Marked and/or with signage and crosswalks to help residents find it in relation to the actual park itself). Lighting, Flowers, Drinking Fountain, clear some unattractive trees that block the view of Division St Park, maybe add a small quoi fish pond or sculpture or adult exercise stations or something?... (*these are mostly suggestions for Division and Fountain Park)	7/8/2015 1:24 AM

Q6 Do you (or anyone in your household) participate in any parks and recreation programs? If yes, which ones? (e.g. youth sporting activities, community events, ect.)

Answered: 90 Skipped: 38

#	Responses	Date
1	NO	7/20/2015 3:37 PM
2	We participate in the privately run parks and rec programs and find them well done. We have done the tree lighting in the past and it's just ok. Our family does not have much of an interest in music in the park. I wish the Easter egg hunt were held at a facility with better parking. The memorial day parade is nicely done with a tone appropriate for the holiday. I am not familiar with any youth sports activities done by the village itself. The community events I have attended (RocketFest, Rose Cellar) are done by other groups and not run by the village. Those are nice.	7/14/2015 11:23 AM
3	The village does not offer sporting activities they are managed by independent groups. The Village does not supply land or contribute funds to these and community events are almost non existent.	7/13/2015 8:12 PM
4	not through new haven	7/13/2015 7:22 AM
5	Things at Living Hope Church, New Haven Little League, Haven Place, Music in the Park, Backpack giveaway, New Haven Days, parades, Christmas tree lighting (though we've stopped making it a priority because they are always way off the times the tell people and our young children freeze standing around waiting for an hour or more)	7/11/2015 9:08 PM
6	Youth sports	7/10/2015 6:10 AM

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7	No	7/9/2015 2:35 PM
8	Not in New Haven, never heard of a New Haven Parks and Rec.	7/9/2015 1:49 PM
9	We do through Chesterfield Twp as they have great programs!	7/9/2015 12:37 PM
10	No	7/9/2015 12:26 PM
11	Community events, school sports	7/9/2015 9:34 AM
12	Festivals, school sports events, parks.	7/9/2015 8:27 AM
13	Baseball, Basketball, Soccer	7/9/2015 7:06 AM
14	Tee ball soccer	7/9/2015 6:59 AM
15	Soccer baseball and football	7/9/2015 12:07 AM
16	Chesterfield ball	7/8/2015 9:36 PM
17	No	7/8/2015 9:07 PM
18	Little league. New haven junior hoops	7/8/2015 9:02 PM
19	NEW BALTIMORE SOCCER	7/8/2015 8:24 PM
20	Youth Baseball, basketball, soccer, cheer, and volleyball. Adult softball.	7/8/2015 8:13 PM
21	No	7/8/2015 8:08 PM
22	Didnt know we had any. My daughter is involved in the cheer camps	7/8/2015 7:38 PM
23	Sports	7/8/2015 7:31 PM
24	No	7/8/2015 6:53 PM
25	Both kids play baseball through NHLL	7/8/2015 6:41 PM
26	Youth	7/8/2015 6:17 PM
27	No	7/8/2015 6:05 PM
28	Youth sports	7/8/2015 5:10 PM
29	No	7/8/2015 5:08 PM
30	New Haven Little League. Parade of lights. Homecoming and Memorial Day parade. Fire fighter camp. Chesterfield Fall Ball. Michigan Youth Flag Football	7/8/2015 5:07 PM
31	Basketball, baseball, dodge ball, floor hockey	7/8/2015 5:00 PM
32	No	7/8/2015 4:49 PM
33	Junior Hoops Macomb Township Parks rec classes	7/8/2015 4:26 PM
34	Little league, basketball, football	7/8/2015 4:07 PM
35	Community events	7/8/2015 3:51 PM
36	soccer, baseball	7/8/2015 3:50 PM
37	No	7/8/2015 3:42 PM
38	No	7/8/2015 3:37 PM
39	soccer, easter egg hunt, community dinner, fire department events, school events, school cheerleading, tree lighting ceremony, parades	7/8/2015 3:20 PM
40	Youth sports	7/8/2015 3:19 PM
41	Youth sporting activities	7/8/2015 3:15 PM
42	What youth sporting events? We participate in new haven little league and new haven youth soccer. I don't think these are run by parks and rec. parks and rec needs to do a way better job communicating available programs to the community.	7/8/2015 2:40 PM

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43	No	7/8/2015 2:33 PM
44	Youth sports & community events	7/8/2015 2:25 PM
45	Little league	7/8/2015 2:13 PM
46	East Egg hunt. Rocket Fest. Library programs. Community dinner. Soccer. Baseball.	7/8/2015 1:58 PM
47	Youth soccer league	7/8/2015 1:54 PM
48	Not currently, would like to see more option in New Haven	7/8/2015 1:50 PM
49	Kickball through Clinton Township	7/8/2015 1:48 PM
50	No	7/8/2015 1:42 PM
51	No	7/8/2015 1:41 PM
52	Sporting activities	7/8/2015 1:22 PM
53	T ball gymnastics	7/8/2015 1:13 PM
54	No.	7/8/2015 1:12 PM
55	Detroit arsenal youth sports, Romeo parks and rec	7/8/2015 1:07 PM
56	none	7/8/2015 1:03 PM
57	NHLL (baseball & softball) Junior Hoops, Flag Football, Scoyts, Haven Place Youth group	7/8/2015 12:58 PM
58	No	7/8/2015 12:54 PM
59	no	7/8/2015 12:52 PM
60	Mostly New Baltimore and Chesterfield programs for kids	7/8/2015 12:45 PM
61	No	7/8/2015 12:42 PM
62	NHLL, New Baltimore community events	7/8/2015 12:41 PM
63	No	7/8/2015 12:33 PM
64	Yes, we do them all through New Baltimore, Macomb or Clinton Township. We do Halloween and Easter events and youth sports.	7/8/2015 12:33 PM
65	Baseball	7/8/2015 12:32 PM
66	Adult and youth soccer, cheer leading, baseball and soft	7/8/2015 12:29 PM
67	No only Junior hoops and little league	7/8/2015 12:27 PM
68	new haven youth soccer jr hoops and little league	7/8/2015 12:24 PM
69	No	7/8/2015 12:23 PM
70	New Haven Youth Soccer	7/8/2015 12:23 PM
71	Jr Hoops/Football, NH Youth Soccer, NH Little League, Cub Scout Pack 72, programs at the Library	7/8/2015 12:14 PM
72	We do Parks and Rec through NB or Romeo, and Romeo Soccer. We do tennis through AB because we have nothing	7/8/2015 11:58 AM
73	Wrestling, baseball	7/8/2015 11:57 AM
74	The new soccer team, all other sports we participate in are not offered in New Haven so we leave the community for those	7/8/2015 11:55 AM
75	Little league, flag football, youth wrestling, the aud new Baltimore Halloween event	7/8/2015 11:48 AM
76	We do not have our own parks and rec programs. We participate in little league, basketball and flag football started by parents, or through Chesterfield parks and rec.	7/8/2015 11:46 AM
77	Yes, community egg hunt	7/8/2015 11:15 AM
78	Sports	7/8/2015 11:08 AM

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79	Swimming-Macomb plus other special events (princess tea party, family events)	7/8/2015 11:07 AM
80	NHLL	7/8/2015 10:54 AM
81	Community events, parties	7/8/2015 10:38 AM
82	new haven junior hoops, junior rockets flag football, new haven little league, new haven youth soccer, Junior rockets cheer. Tree lighting, Haven place activities. Homecoming, tree lighting, and memorial day parades	7/8/2015 10:33 AM
83	In the past we participated in little league	7/8/2015 10:27 AM
84	Community events	7/8/2015 10:23 AM
85	Scouts, NHLL, NH Jr Hoops, HavenPlace, NHFD events	7/8/2015 9:35 AM
86	Yes, sports and community activities	7/8/2015 9:35 AM
87	No	7/8/2015 9:22 AM
88	New haven rocketfest, tball through nhll	7/8/2015 9:22 AM
89	I just started a youth new haven soccer league	7/8/2015 9:16 AM
90	Not currently, but looking too in coming years. 1 year old child...	7/8/2015 1:24 AM

Q7 On a scale of 1 (least satisfied) to 10 (most satisfied) how satisfied are you with the parks and recreation programs in the Village of New Haven?

Answered: 123 Skipped: 5



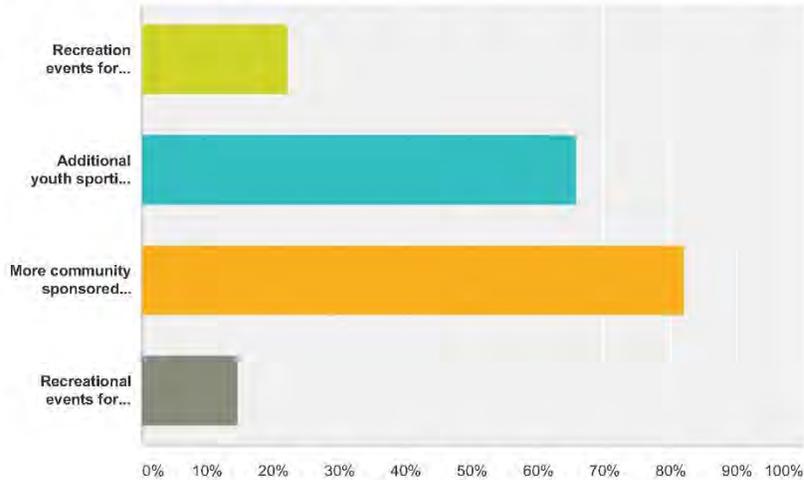
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total	Weighted Average
(no label)	26.83%	10.57%	13.01%	8.94%	16.26%	9.76%	4.88%	5.69%	1.63%	2.44%	123	3.81
	33	13	16	11	20	12	6	7	2	3		

Q8 What new parks and recreation programs would you like to see available in the Village of New Haven?

Answered: 117 Skipped: 11

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Answer Choices	Responses
Recreation events for seniors	22.22% 26
Additional youth sporting events	65.81% 77
More community sponsored events	82.05% 96
Recreational events for persons with disabilities	14.53% 17
Total Respondents: 117	

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	i would like to see the village take more of an interest (and put an investment) and work with the private and local groups already doing events. It seems silly to ask the village to do more youth rec programs when it would just compete with the hard work already done in other groups. Also would like to see the property next to Amherst developed into a temporary recreational facility (a park)	7/14/2015 11:23 AM
2	The property next to Amherst owned by the Village should be developed into a large park with athletic fields, walking and bike trails a recreation building, etc.	7/13/2015 8:12 PM
3	Pilates and aerobics for residents	7/9/2015 8:05 PM
4	Didn't know we had one....	7/8/2015 9:36 PM
5	I think the parks a fine and don't need much for improvement	7/8/2015 9:07 PM
6	I didn't know that New Haven had a Parks/Rec program. I am happy to see how much the Havenridge Park is used and how well it is maintained. I don't think any organized teams play there just "pick up games". But I always see kids playing basket ball, people walking their dogs and families picnicing. It is wonderful to see it used.	7/8/2015 7:25 PM
7	Adult activities (dance, swim, crafting, running groups)	7/8/2015 6:40 PM
8	Out door and indoor family events. Tennis. Aerobics.	7/8/2015 6:17 PM
9	Farmers Market. Bike paths/lanes, facility with exercise equipment and classes	7/8/2015 4:26 PM
10	I would like to see the Village acquire proper - adjacent Amherst and develop low maintenance sports fields - soccer -baseball - volleyball etc	7/8/2015 3:20 PM

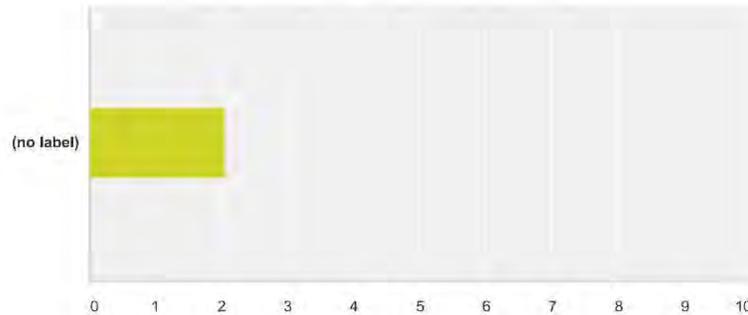
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11	Swimming pool	7/8/2015 2:33 PM
12	Dedicated little league fields/park. Look at any city around us for examples. The NHLL makes due with what the NHCS has to offer, but to grow, better facilities should be looked into. This would benefit the whole community.	7/8/2015 2:13 PM
13	Electronic marque displaying village activities, somewhere central	7/8/2015 12:58 PM
14	more adult programs	7/8/2015 12:57 PM
15	bike path, teen programs	7/8/2015 12:54 PM
16	What programs there are do not get advertised well.	7/8/2015 12:45 PM
17	A Dog Park for New Haven residents. A security fob would be required to enter and residents would pay for the service. Clinton Township MI for example: http://www.clintontownship.com/uploads/3/3/3/5/3335276/dogparkinformation.pdf	7/8/2015 12:42 PM
18	all sports are individual drivin with out village help or support	7/8/2015 12:24 PM
19	I would like to see the village helping to sponsor any of the recreational activities. These activities are all currently run, payed for and continue because of parent volunteers.	7/8/2015 10:33 AM
20	Better communication (electronic marque at Gratiot & NH Rd) plus paid P&R position for better collaboration of all these private organizations coming together under one expanded P&R umbrella	7/8/2015 9:35 AM
21	Farmer's Market, Flea Market, niche-market-shows of sorts (i.e. classic cars, fishing/hunting expo, arts/crafts shows, health/herbal shows, food/bakery/wine-tasting, etc...), festivals with rides/games.... We do have the Rose Cellar Annual Event (6th year this year, August 8th) and it's truly a great event...but perhaps another similar event sometime in the year would be great...maybe teamed up with the Music-In-The-Park organized by Trustlee Harris.	7/8/2015 1:24 AM

Q9 How often do you use non-motorized pathways withing the Village of New Haven (e.g. trails, bike paths, sidewalks, ect.)

Answered: 127 Skipped: 1



	Frequently	Occasionally	Rarely	Never	Total	Weighted Average
(no label)	37.80% 48	29.92% 38	22.05% 28	10.24% 13	127	2.05

Q10 What do you like or dislike about these pathways?

Answered: 78 Skipped: 50

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#	Responses	Date
1	Would like to see better maintenance and dog owners to be responsible for keeping their animals from roaming free.	7/20/2015 3:37 PM
2	I can't get to them from my house without going into the street. There isn't a great path on Clark, or Gratiot, or Main. It's difficult to get from Amherst, Riverbrook, Meadow Creek, or Decora to another part of the village.	7/14/2015 11:23 AM
3	They are uneven and unsafe. The sidewalks usually have tree branches or bushes in the way of the sidewalk, or there are sections in front of places that are totally missing sidewalk. It makes it very difficult to maneuver safely with young children, strollers or in the dark, rain, or snow.	7/11/2015 9:08 PM
4	New Haven does not have consistent civic improvements. Gratiot looks run down, without curbs along the length of the village, bike paths, or even trees.	7/9/2015 8:05 PM
5	They don't connect and a lot of times you end up having to go in the road. Not safe.	7/9/2015 2:35 PM
6	Most are unsafe (neighborhood or broken up)	7/9/2015 1:49 PM
7	They do not connect.	7/9/2015 12:37 PM
8	Need more	7/9/2015 9:34 AM
9	Disconnected, broken sections with trip hazards, scary unsafe cross walks.	7/9/2015 9:04 AM
10	Up keep	7/9/2015 6:59 AM
11	There are not enough pathways.	7/9/2015 1:38 AM
12	Sidewalks are very bumpy	7/9/2015 12:07 AM
13	The lack of continuity is an issue. Also along Clark street the sidewalk does not go all the way to the admin building. This is where there are a lot of student activities happen- little league, softball, baseball, flag football, soccer- to name a few. The pathways should be continuous.	7/8/2015 10:08 PM
14	From quail run, there is no choice but to drive everywhere. We are not connected in any way.	7/8/2015 9:36 PM
15	Too many bad people on them	7/8/2015 9:34 PM
16	I use the village sidewalks to bike on, there are a number of them that need replacing.	7/8/2015 9:07 PM
17	Uneven. Messy.	7/8/2015 9:02 PM
18	They don't connect to major community paths (rails to trails). They don't continue throughout the subdivisions.	7/8/2015 8:13 PM
19	No safe sidewalks along main streets	7/8/2015 7:42 PM
20	They could use better crosswalks on the main intersections. Also continued connections between certain areas. Some areas could use new cement where the sidewalk is beat up.	7/8/2015 7:31 PM
21	I don't like anything about the pathways. I don't believe there are any pathways. My family and I either ride our bikes or walk at least 3 times a week and the sidewalks are trashed and there are no pathways. Nearly all the time we have to ride or walk on the shoulder of the roadway.	7/8/2015 6:53 PM
22	All the uneven sidewalks & all the breaks & cracks in them as well.	7/8/2015 6:41 PM
23	Don't feel safe alone. Not many other people around.	7/8/2015 6:40 PM
24	Need repair	7/8/2015 6:17 PM
25	There are not enough. The downtown sidewalks are too narrow and bumpy.	7/8/2015 6:05 PM
26	Rough condition	7/8/2015 5:07 PM
27	Weeds	7/8/2015 4:49 PM
28	dislike- there all broken	7/8/2015 4:42 PM
29	Sidewalks in the Village are in need of repair.	7/8/2015 4:26 PM
30	There should be more in and around the village/they should connect more	7/8/2015 4:23 PM
31	ugly	7/8/2015 3:50 PM

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32	Sidewalks are uneven due to trees that were on village property but have now been removed. Also cars frequently blocking sidewalks.	7/8/2015 3:37 PM
33	They are not safe. Soft shoulders - poor sidewalks condition - they are not continuous	7/8/2015 3:20 PM
34	They are not completely paved	7/8/2015 3:19 PM
35	There are very few if any.	7/8/2015 3:15 PM
36	they are not connected. My family can not safely walk or bike ride from decora park to downtown or the parks in the village.	7/8/2015 2:40 PM
37	What pathways	7/8/2015 2:33 PM
38	I enjoy our path at the park. Having it extended would be great for walking, biking & jogging. Many sidewalks on Main St are in need of repair. It is difficult to bike on.	7/8/2015 2:25 PM
39	Like them because they are safer than streets, but there is too many places that you have to go in the street because of missing sidewalk. It would be great to be able to go from one part of the village to another all on a sidewalk. You can only do that in a neighborhood. Kinda - due to unfinished lots.	7/8/2015 2:13 PM
40	They don't seem to always connect.	7/8/2015 1:58 PM
41	No lights	7/8/2015 1:54 PM
42	They seem to end. :)	7/8/2015 1:50 PM
43	They don't connect. One side of the street will have sidewalks for 3 blocks then it switches for 4 blocks then back to the other side of the street.	7/8/2015 1:41 PM
44	I have trouble walking!	7/8/2015 1:22 PM
45	like	7/8/2015 1:03 PM
46	Not connected! Even sidewalks aren't connected through undeveloped subs. No safe crossway over Gratiot!	7/8/2015 12:58 PM
47	Crossing gratiot is a huge concern!!!	7/8/2015 12:54 PM
48	they are in dire need of fixing	7/8/2015 12:52 PM
49	Not enough of them	7/8/2015 12:45 PM
50	They don't connect and run along busy roads.	7/8/2015 12:41 PM
51	Many on Main Street and in the older area of new haven are very narrow and uneven...	7/8/2015 12:35 PM
52	We need more , do not have enough . Riding on a rode is way to dangerous	7/8/2015 12:33 PM
53	I only use the ones within my neighborhood as they are well kept and safe. The village is a dump, I won't take my kids to explore the downtown area.	7/8/2015 12:33 PM
54	Need more	7/8/2015 12:32 PM
55	Would like more paths. We ride our bikes daily. Would like to have a crossing lights at intersections	7/8/2015 12:23 PM
56	They need to be more connected with the sidewalks. And the sidewalks need to be better taken care of	7/8/2015 12:21 PM
57	they don't exist	7/8/2015 12:14 PM
58	Impossible to cross gratiot. From Frosty Queen there is no sidewalk back into town.	7/8/2015 11:58 AM
59	Can't get to them safely from across Gratiot with our kids. If we have to pack the bikes up we would prefer to go to better pathways	7/8/2015 11:55 AM
60	I live in decora there isn't any safe paths from my house to the village center.	7/8/2015 11:48 AM
61	There aren't enough	7/8/2015 11:46 AM
62	Not enough	7/8/2015 11:33 AM
63	Sidewalks in the village need to be redone. They are bumpy and broken, however I feel residents should not be responsible for this.	7/8/2015 11:15 AM
64	Not enough. They should all be connected	7/8/2015 11:07 AM

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65	There are none, we love to bike but it is dangerous around here. Most the time we have to pack upward bikes to bike elsewhere	7/8/2015 11:07 AM
66	Uneven sidewalks/tripping & falling hazard	7/8/2015 10:38 AM
67	There is a disconnect from the east side of gratiot to the west side. You can't get across gratiot safely.	7/8/2015 10:33 AM
68	Need more of them	7/8/2015 10:27 AM
69	Love the fountain area!!!	7/8/2015 10:23 AM
70	Side walks not finished. Uneven , trip hazard	7/8/2015 10:09 AM
71	Nothing to see	7/8/2015 10:05 AM
72	The heaved sidewalks area and the areas where residents allow their landscaping to grow over into the sidewalks. We have to walk on the grass or go single file to get by.	7/8/2015 9:45 AM
73	hardly none	7/8/2015 9:40 AM
74	they don't connect! I am an avid biker (200+ miles per week) and am constantly biking to MO Trail or Harsen's Island to enjoy long rides safe from traffic	7/8/2015 9:35 AM
75	Dangerous sidewalks (broken ones and residents not shoveling in the winter	7/8/2015 9:35 AM
76	they are nice.	7/8/2015 9:22 AM
77	Sidewalks are cracked and lifted,a very big trip hazard. It's unsafe for little ones even in my subdivision.	7/8/2015 9:17 AM
78	Dislike: Not enough of them (west side of Gratiot, 27 Mile near the train tracks, spots along Main Street). Also, Not Wide Enough!! Need at least one decent widened Bike Path in the Village, if even just in or connected to Haven Ridge Park. But Ideally leading somewhere else that is or could become a destination, like Fountain Park on Main Street.	7/8/2015 1:24 AM

Q11 On a scale of 1 - 10, how satisfied are you with the non-motorized network of pathways in the Village of New Haven?

Answered: 117 Skipped: 11



	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total	Weighted Average
(no label)	21.37%	12.82%	13.68%	9.40%	17.95%	12.82%	6.84%	2.56%	1.71%	0.85%	117	3.85
	25	15	16	11	21	15	8	3	2	1		

Q12 What specific suggestions do you have to improve upon the network of non-

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motorized pathways?

Answered: 59 Skipped: 69

#	Responses	Date
1	I would like to see sidewalks on the west side of Havenridge all the way in Village limits and on the north side of Clark St between Havenridge and Gratiot. We should also have sidewalks on Gratiot in village limits.	7/20/2015 3:37 PM
2	Make a way for everyone to walk to downtown from their home. It's a small village it's ridiculous to not be able to walk such a short distance without fear of being hit by a car (a girl died last year after being hit on her way home to Meadow Creek). Would also be nice to see a nature trail somewhere in the village for all to use.	7/14/2015 11:23 AM
3	None	7/13/2015 8:12 PM
4	Start by trimming bushes and branches that are in the way, correct uneven sidewalks, put in sidewalks where they are completely missing.	7/11/2015 9:08 PM
5	Applying for grant money to put in sidewalks, curbs and bike paths. New Haven is lagging behind every other community in basic infrastructure.	7/9/2015 8:05 PM
6	We need to have a better path system, away from main roads, so the kids can ride more comfortably.	7/9/2015 12:37 PM
7	Connect the disconnected areas.	7/9/2015 8:27 AM
8	Have more pathways for walking, running, and bicycling.	7/9/2015 1:38 AM
9	Redo and make more!!!!	7/8/2015 9:36 PM
10	Repair damaged sidewalks,	7/8/2015 9:07 PM
11	Too short	7/8/2015 8:08 PM
12	Sidewalk to high school	7/8/2015 7:42 PM
13	Finish connecting side walks, add crosswalks at busy intersections, fix busted areas.	7/8/2015 7:31 PM
14	I have trouble walking but they look nice.	7/8/2015 7:25 PM
15	Extended sidewalk on 27 mile to at least Meadow creek...	7/8/2015 7:02 PM
16	Needs drastic improvement.	7/8/2015 6:53 PM
17	Widen	7/8/2015 6:17 PM
18	Re do them!!!	7/8/2015 5:07 PM
19	Need more.... the only one I know of is in decora	7/8/2015 4:49 PM
20	fix them	7/8/2015 4:42 PM
21	I wasn't aware there were non motorized pathways in New Haven other than sidewalks. I use Macomb Orchard Trail and Wetzel path.	7/8/2015 4:26 PM
22	Some sidewalks are very difficult to use while on a bike, because of their age and condition. It would be nice to somehow be connected to the trail system.	7/8/2015 3:51 PM
23	none	7/8/2015 3:50 PM
24	Construct a pedestrian bridge over Gratiot please	7/8/2015 3:42 PM
25	Village should fix sidewalks since it was their trees that caused the damage. Residents should not be responsible for these repairs.	7/8/2015 3:37 PM
26	Improved quality and connectivity	7/8/2015 3:20 PM
27	Additional pathways, cross walks with crossing signs added	7/8/2015 3:15 PM

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28	slow down gratiot traffic through the village. Add a traffic light at the high school, put sidewalks connecting the high school area to new haven road then down 26mile to decora entrance, put in sidewalks from the train tracks to havenridge on Clark street so there is a continuous safe path. Put pedestrian crossings at Clark and gratiot, new haven Rd and gratiot, and at a new traffic light at the high school and gratiot.	7/8/2015 2:40 PM
29	What pathways	7/8/2015 2:33 PM
30	Repair of sidewalks on Main St. Also, the sidewalk ends on Clark St before the railroad tracks. It would be safer if it was extended so pedestrians do not have to walk/ride in the street	7/8/2015 2:25 PM
31	Needs to link up as there are a lot of gaps due to unfinished neighborhoods.	7/8/2015 2:13 PM
32	Make sure they are fully connected on every end.	7/8/2015 1:58 PM
33	Lights and benches	7/8/2015 1:54 PM
34	Connect the sidewalks and have them on both sides of the street.	7/8/2015 1:41 PM
35	N/A	7/8/2015 1:22 PM
36	Level side walks	7/8/2015 1:13 PM
37	Connect connect connect, and add pedestrian overpass in Gratiot at NH RD, NHHS and 27 Mile (Clark St)	7/8/2015 12:58 PM
38	We need bike paths- there are none. Also- a sidewalk on both sides of Gratiot.	7/8/2015 12:45 PM
39	They desperately need to be repaired and updated..	7/8/2015 12:35 PM
40	More , crossing lights , street lights	7/8/2015 12:33 PM
41	Control the blight, make people clean up their yards. Clean up the sidewalks, install curbs along the streets. Fix the broken sidewalks.	7/8/2015 12:33 PM
42	village has put sidewalks on graitot in stead of paths. a path should be designed and owners of those properties required to pay their share to have the paths installed.	7/8/2015 12:14 PM
43	See above	7/8/2015 11:58 AM
44	Cross way over Gratiot. Connect to Richmond to Romeo path	7/8/2015 11:55 AM
45	Side walks along all major roads like Clark street. Also a pedestrian bridge over gratiot	7/8/2015 11:48 AM
46	Install more	7/8/2015 11:46 AM
47	Add more	7/8/2015 11:33 AM
48	The area that I find the worst is on Main Street, starting at the fountain and going all the way down to the library. That side walk is the one that needs the most improvement.	7/8/2015 11:15 AM
49	More Sidewalks	7/8/2015 11:08 AM
50	Connect them all so you can walk across town without needing to go onto the shoulder of the road	7/8/2015 11:07 AM
51	Sidewalks are in disrepair, also missing sidewalks in areas so makes it hard to bike anywhere.	7/8/2015 11:07 AM
52	Please build a pedestrian walkway to cross gratiot	7/8/2015 10:33 AM
53	More of them. Improve sidewalks or replace with walking/bike trail	7/8/2015 10:27 AM
54	Sidewalks??? There aren't any in town!	7/8/2015 10:23 AM
55	Need a nature trail, finish sidewalks	7/8/2015 10:09 AM
56	Need more and connected to other	7/8/2015 9:40 AM
57	connect all the neighborhood, safe crossways over Gratiot at NH Road, NHHS, and Clark St	7/8/2015 9:35 AM
58	Fixing broken spots and enforce shoveling	7/8/2015 9:35 AM

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59	<p>CONNECT THEM. The mobile home communities need to be connected to Gratiot and beyond. 27 Mile needs to extend the sidewalk from Amherst to west of the tracks...Literally, this is not just a geographically-divisive roadblock between the community, but it honestly is a mental barrier that divides the community, also. The newer parts of the community (East of the Tracks) often don't bother going west (older parts of town) because it's just not convenient. Understandably so. But that being the case, they're not just geographically separated, but also just unaware of and less familiar with locations and offerings and sites and communities just a couple blocks away from their own home.Such a simple sidewalk that connects West ad East of the train tracks could literally break long-standing barriers to a cohesive and connected community. ALSO: #2 - Bike paths... We need not only sidewalks - but ideally, we could use a wider set of bike paths through our community, hopefully that connects us to other communities beyond our own. Haven Ridge Park is a great spot for us to consider this; I like the idea of connecting that park to Lenox Municipal Building Park through a nature trail that could exit out of the current site through the north. That would be amazing, and really give our residents a great way to utilize their bicycles - which is currently just not convenient in our Village...there's no sidewalks comfortably big enough to accommodate even a small family travelling together. This is a huge negative when it comes to attracting the families that the new subdivisions aim to get... I don't think it would be too hard to connect Haven Ridge Park to Lenox, if the property could be acquired/donated by owners along the way. And maybe even then bring it further down Haven Ridge south of the park, all the way to Fountain Park. Then BAM! --- Now you've really got a destination [and a way to get there from elsewhere!]</p>	7/8/2015 1:24 AM
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