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# What We Heard Report

**Bud Miller All Seasons Park Master Plan  
Phase 1**

**February 2023**

Parks and Green Spaces and Communication Departments

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## Introduction and Background

Bud Miller All Seasons Park (BMASP) is located in southwest Lloydminster and is frequented by local residents, visitors and tourists each year. Since being established in 1986, this 200-acre greenspace has become home to recreational and leisure activities, community events, and private events. Whether it be skating in the winter, fishing in the summer, enjoying the colours of nature in the fall or biking through puddles in the spring, this 200-acre greenspace is beloved by all.

The BMASP Master Plan will set direction and guidance for long and short-term growth, adjustments and rehabilitation. Throughout the creation of this document, the City of Lloydminster, along with Crosby Hanna & Associates, will engage with residents and stakeholders to better understand the challenges, opportunities and vision of the greenspace.

## Project Timeline

The BMASP Master Plan began in late 2022 with an initial site visit, location analysis and preliminary research. Phase two occurred in January/February 2023 with public and stakeholder engagement. During Phase 3 in March 2023, the City of Lloydminster and the Crosby Hanna & Associates will develop a preliminary concept for the BMASP Master Plan. Expected to occur in April of 2023 Phase 4, which consists of public and stakeholder engagement and concept refinement. Maintaining this projected schedule will allow the final BMASP Master Plan to be presented to City Council in May/June for consideration.

## Advertising

Public consultation for the master plan was advertised through the following channels:

- Newspaper
  - Meridian Source
  - Weekly Bean
  - Morning News
- Radio
  - Real Country
  - The Goat
- Media Release
  - The Goat
  - Stingray (Prime Time, 101 Boom, 95.9 Real Country)
  - Meridian Source
  - Kurt Price
  - Municipal Infonet

- Website
  - [Lloydminster.ca](http://Lloydminster.ca)
  - [Yourvoicelloyd.ca/BudMiller](http://Yourvoicelloyd.ca/BudMiller)
- Social Media
  - Facebook
  - Instagram
  - Twitter
- Newsletter
  - Your Voice Public Engagement

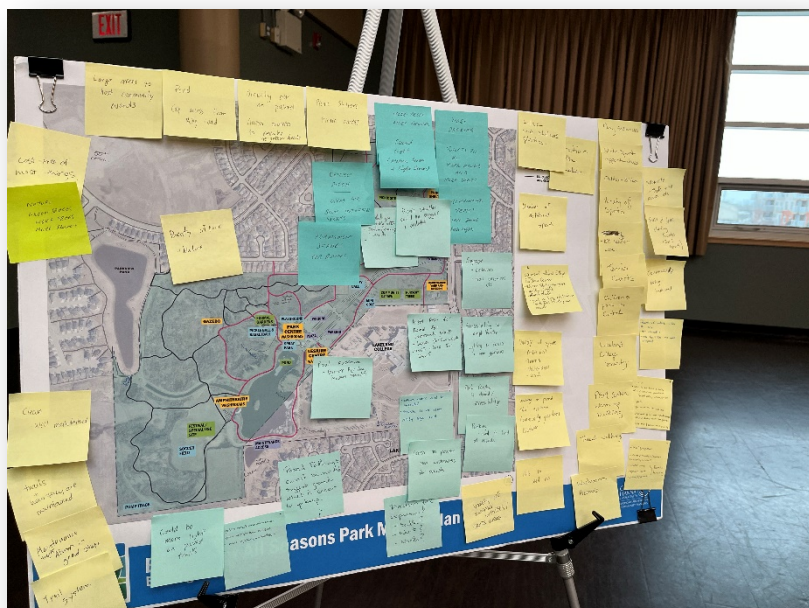
## Public Engagement

On January 30, 2023 the project team launched the first phase of public engagement with a community survey. This survey discussed the current uses, satisfaction and vision for the area. The survey was available until February 22, 2023 online at [yourvoicelloyd.ca/BudMiller](http://yourvoicelloyd.ca/BudMiller), and via paper at City Hall, Lloydminster Public Library, Bioclean Aquatic Centre, Operations Centre and Winterfest Presented by L&A CPA LLP community event. A total of 945 survey responses were collected through this engagement.

Throughout February 14 and 15, the City of Lloydminster (City), along with Crosby Hanna and Associates, conducted five stakeholder workshops which each featured unique audiences and perspectives.

Through this consultation, the project webpage also featured a virtual Q & A section which collected four submissions. This tool allows the City residents/visitors to discuss project-related questions on a virtual setting. Throughout the consultation period, the project webpage had 1,487 individuals view the project webpage, 1,113 were informed of the activities on the page and 910 engaged in the survey or Q&A tool. Please note, these statistics do not include residents who engaged via paper surveys.

## Stakeholder Feedback



Throughout February 14 and 15, the City of Lloydminster and Crosby Hanna and Associates hosted five stakeholder workshops. Within similar structure, these meetings engaged with several different stakeholders, including, City Council, project team, internal personelle with direct impact/usage of the park, and community groups.

The focus of these sessions was to discuss the frequented/beloved amenities, potential improvements, and limitations of the park.

## Winterfest Feedback

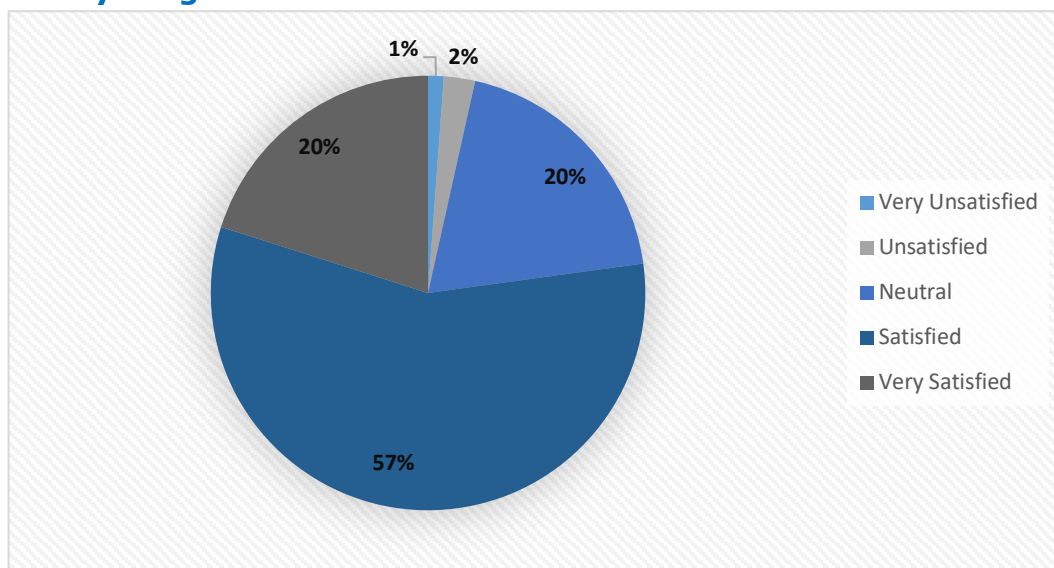
This family-focused event allowed for engagement with all ages through an idea sharing board and paper surveys. Children were invited to discuss their favourite things about the greenspace during the February 20, 2023 Winterfest Presented by L&A CPA LLP.

Key themes within the youth engagement included:

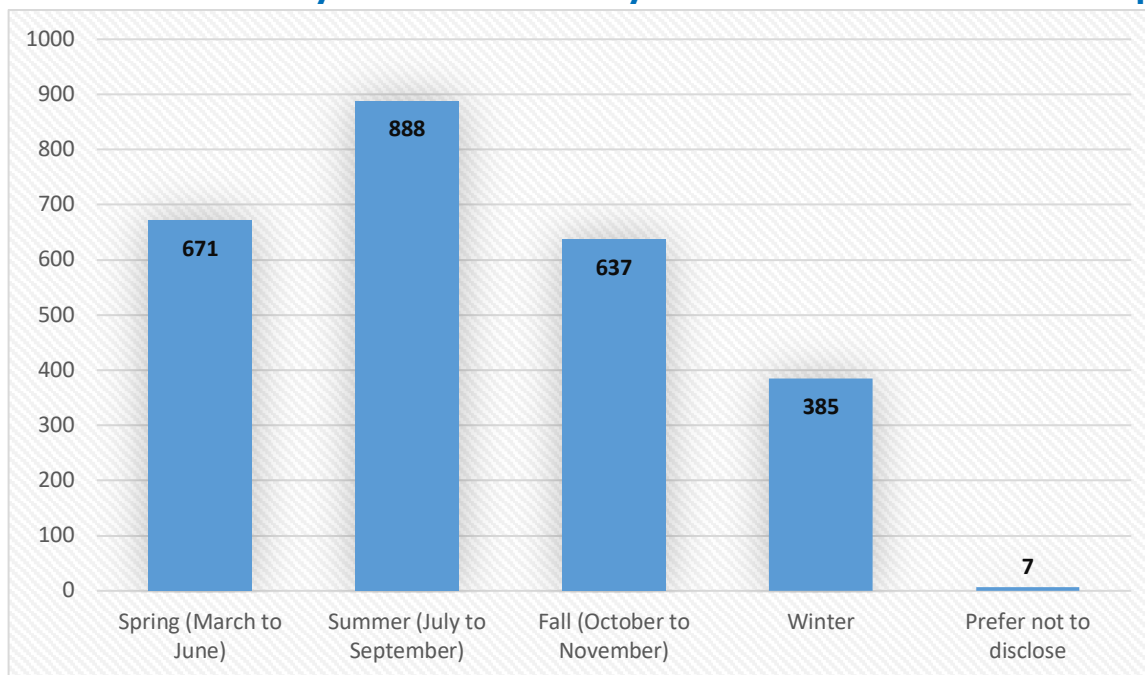
- Skating
- Walking paths
- Playgrounds
- Splash park
- Community event offerings (horses, concerts, hot chocolate)
- Swimming pool
- Lake
- Nature and atmosphere

## Survey Feedback

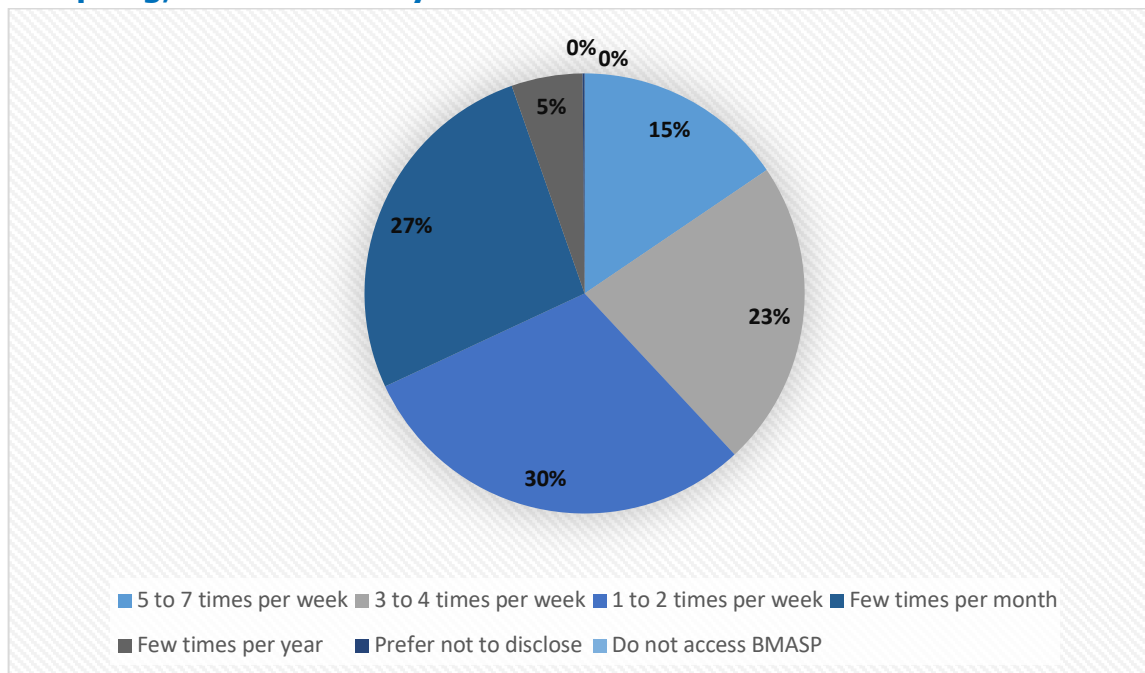
Rate your general satisfaction with BMASP.



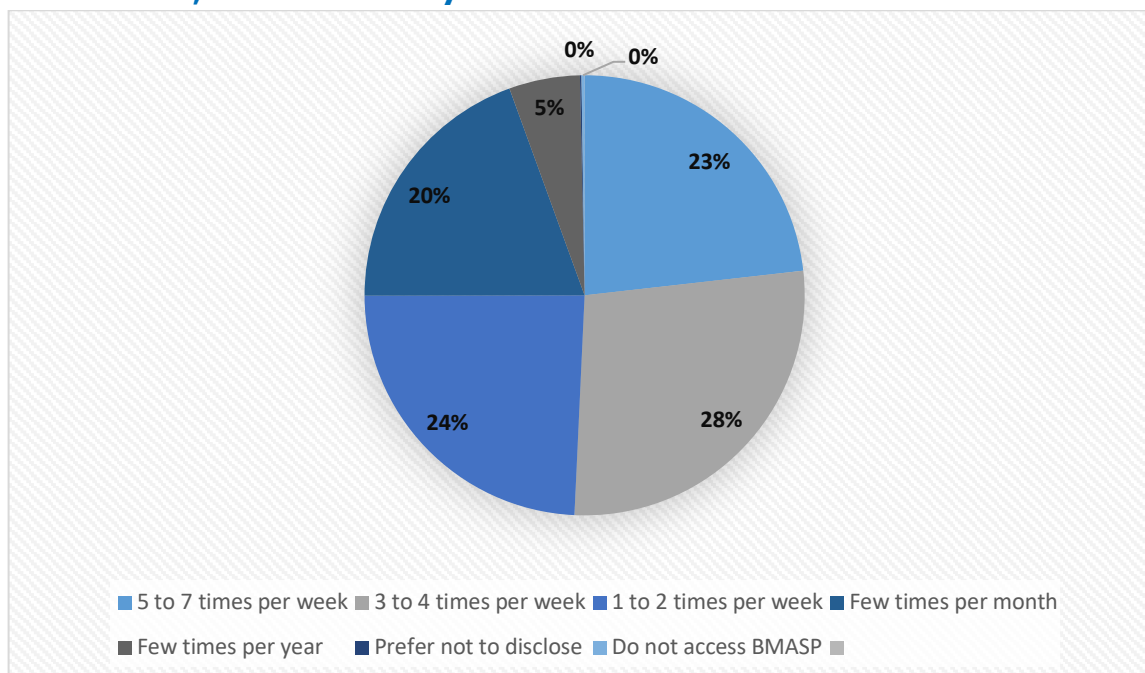
Which seasons do you most commonly visit BMASP? Select all that apply.



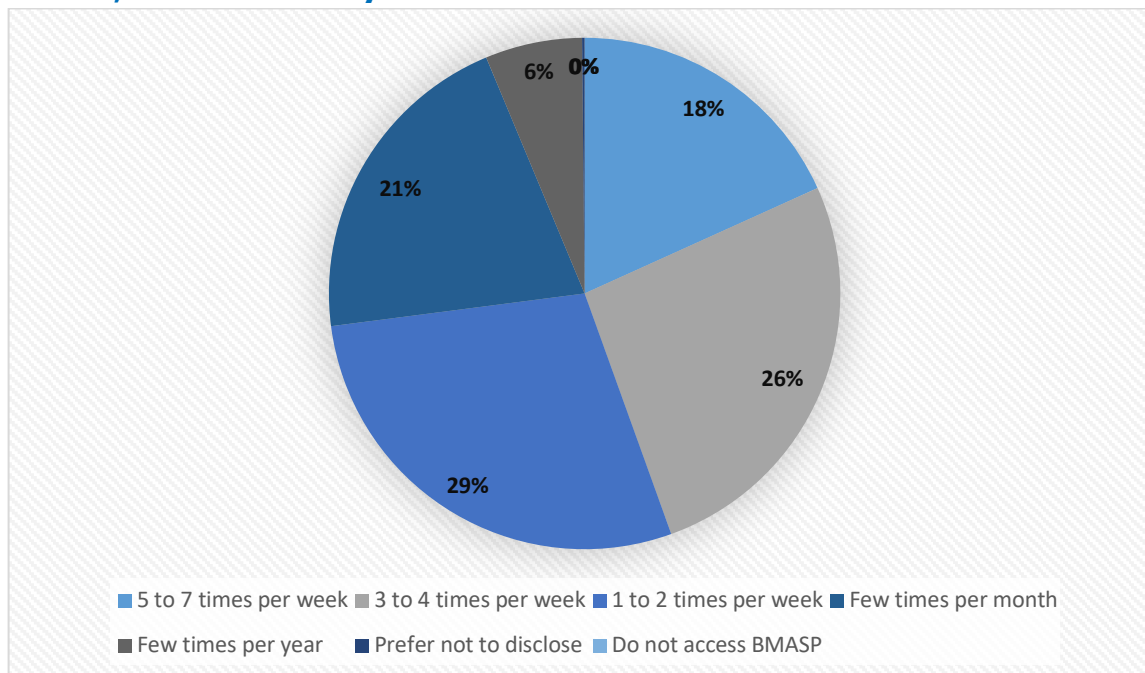
### In Spring, how often do you visit BMASP?



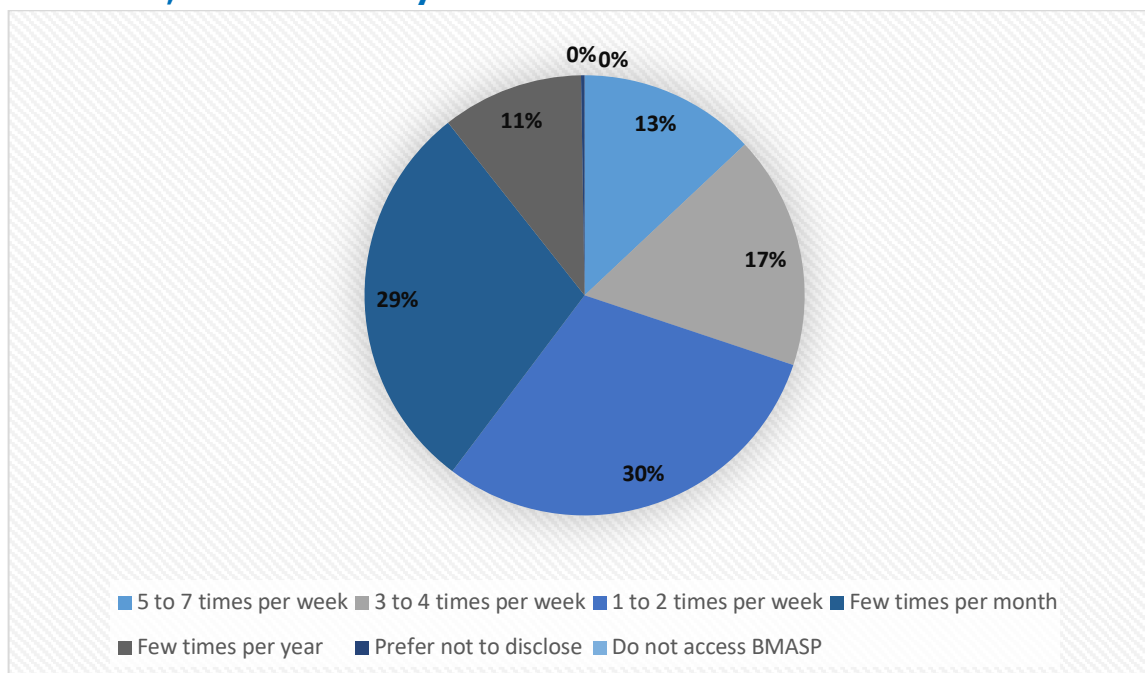
### In Summer, how often do you visit BMASP?



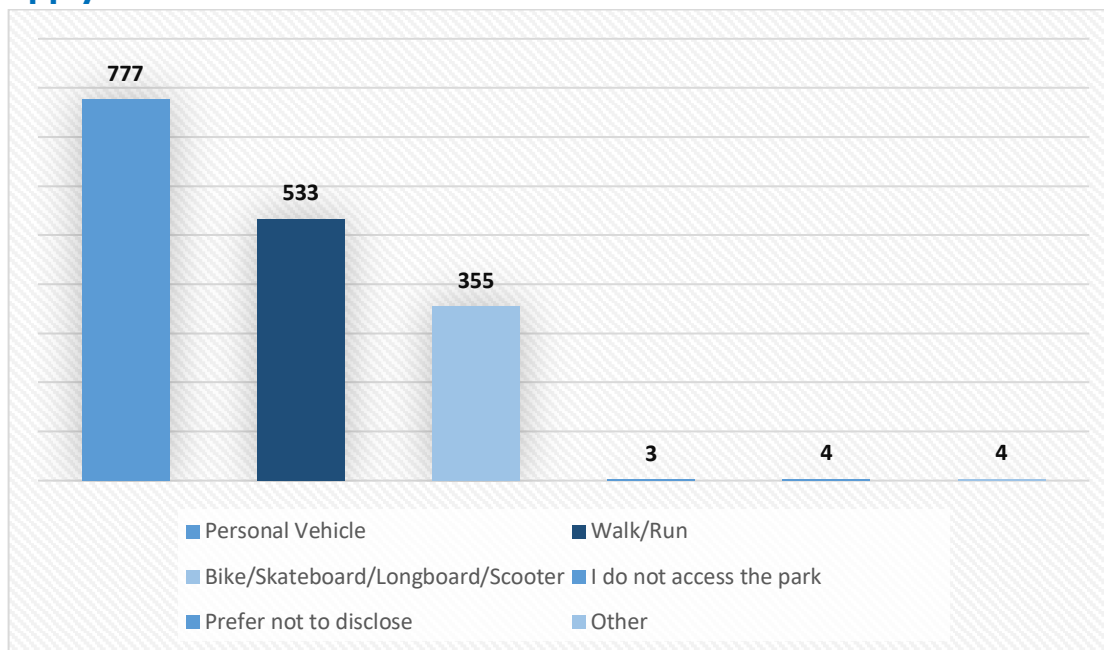
### In Fall, how often do you visit BMASP?



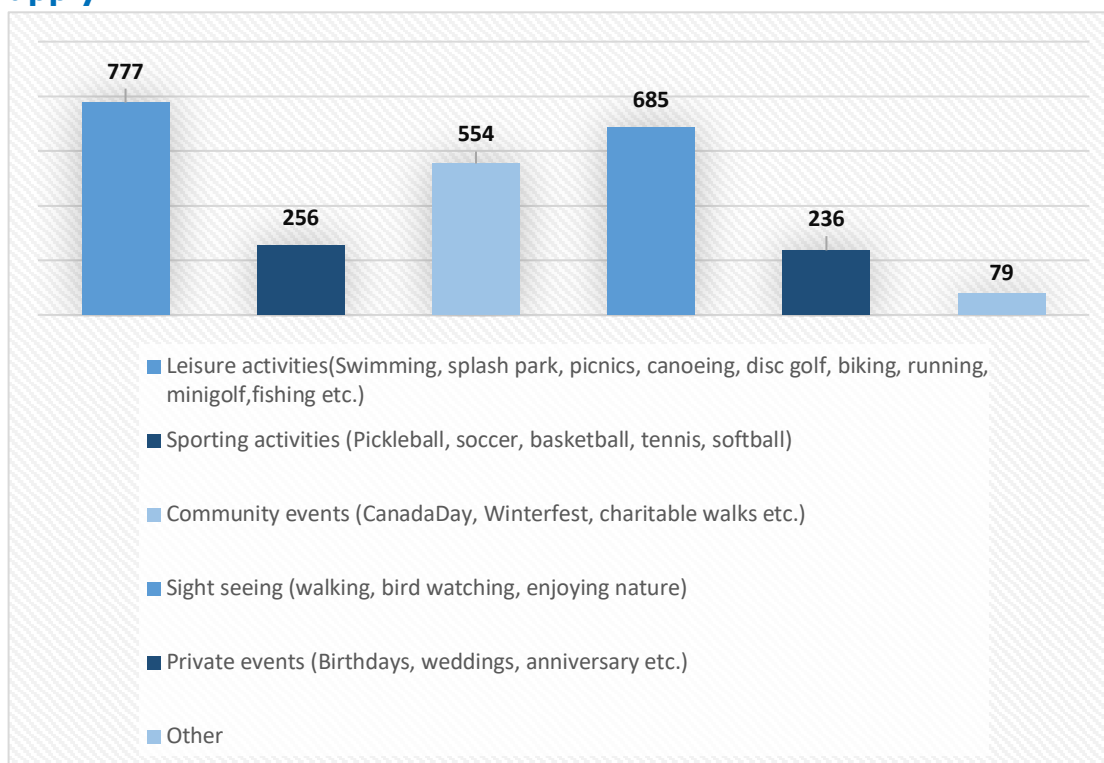
### In Winter, how often do you visit BMASP?



**Which of the following ways do you access BMASP? Please select all that apply.**

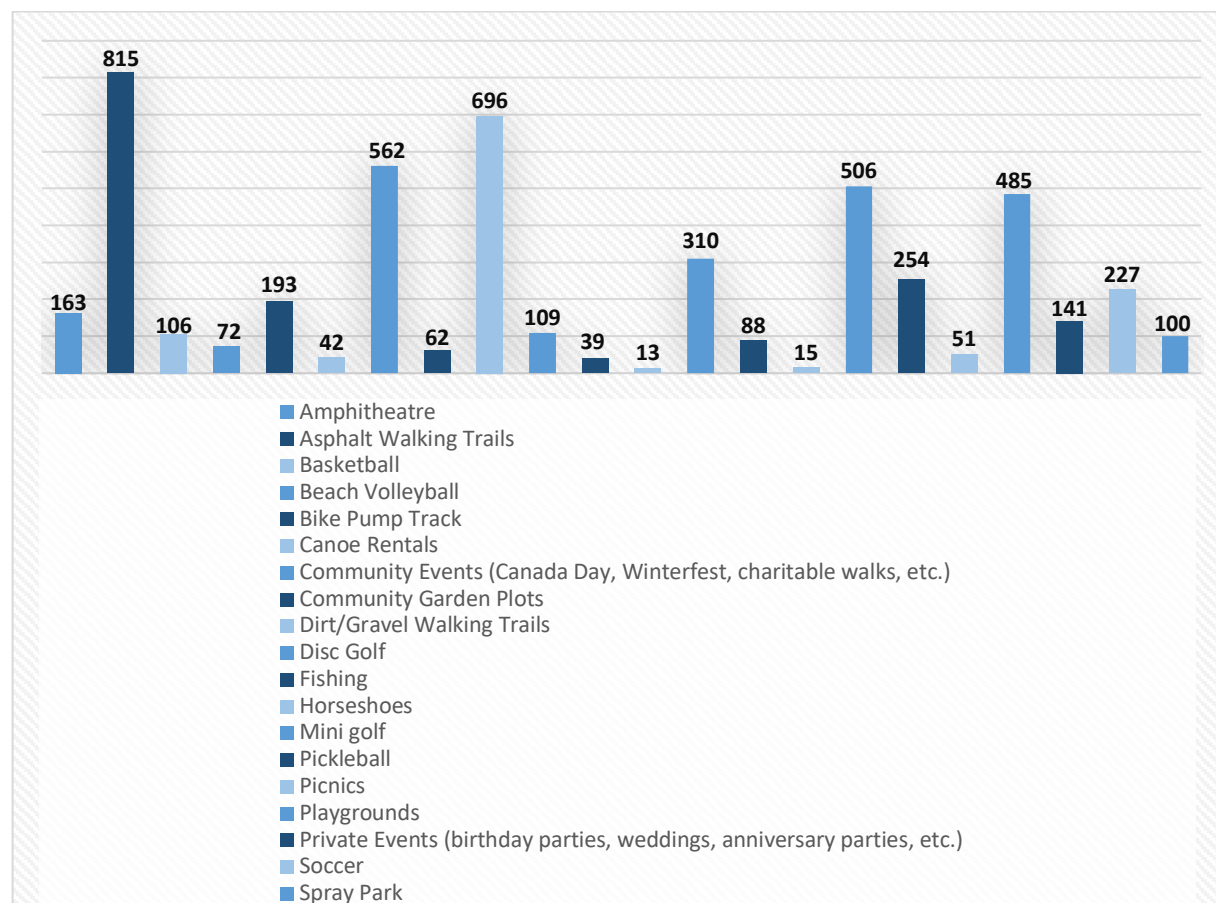


**Which of the following reason(s) do you visit BMASP? Please select all that apply.**





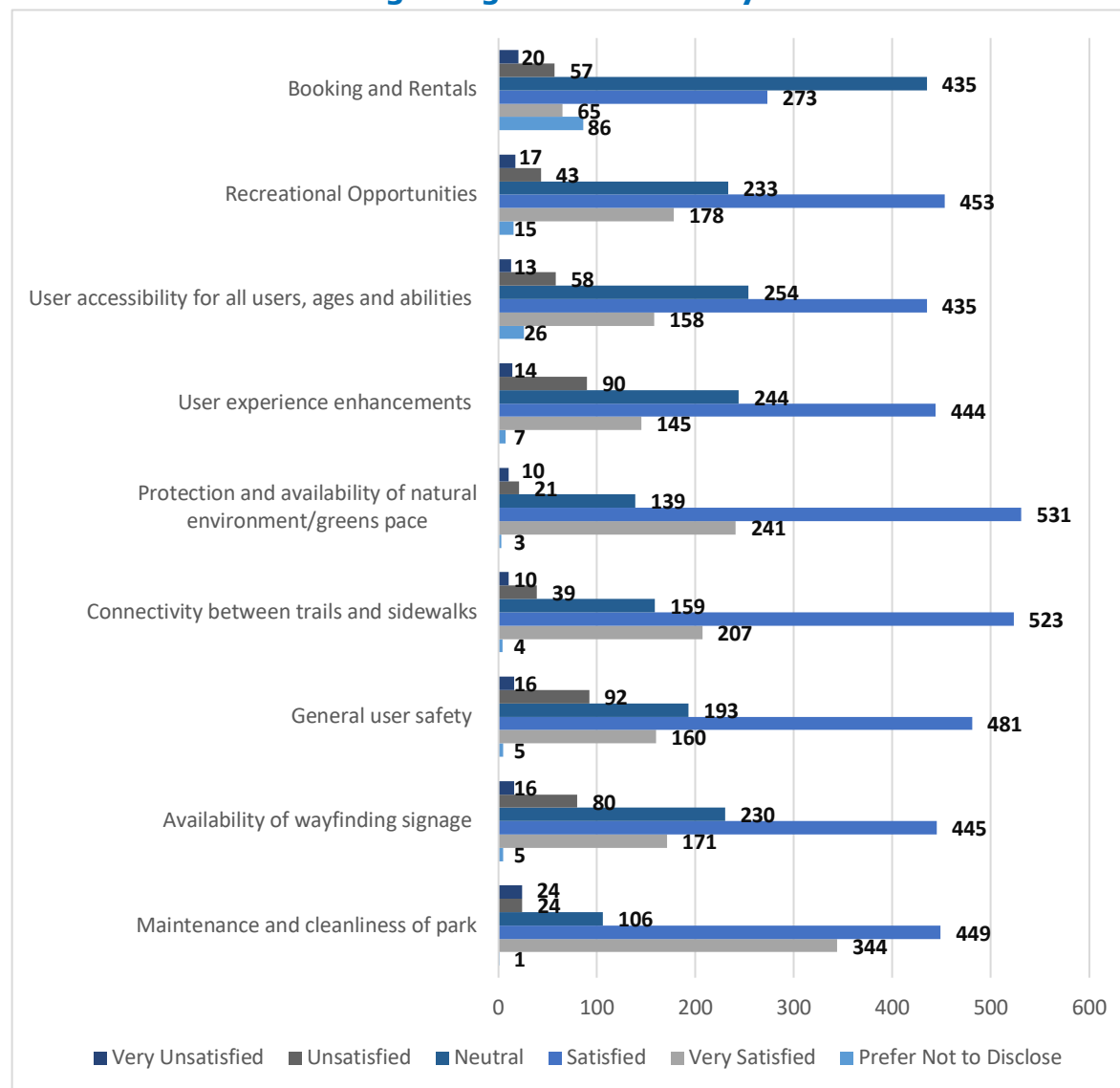
**Which of the following activities/amenities do you, or member(s) of your household access when visiting BMASP? Please select all that apply.**



#### Other:

- PSM Parks Centre
- Beach Volleyball
- Bioclean Aquatic Centre
- Cross Country Skiing
- Skating
- Mountain Biking
- Fire pits

### Please rate the following categories based on your satisfaction:



### What do you value most about Bud Miller All Seasons Park?

Of the 727 comments submitted, the main themes focused on:

- Trails- Connectivity among routes, diversity in paved and gravel and scenes within the amenity were top mentions. Along with the diverse uses for the trails such as biking, walking, running and sightseeing.
- Nature- Appreciation for the sense of distance from urban features and connection to natural elements and creatures.
- Maintenance- Applaud for the seasonal maintenance efforts in both summer and winter. Many respondents took pride in the offerings that BMASP brings to Lloydminster and the efforts that go into maintaining each activity.

- Aquatics- Appreciation for the lake, splash park and Bioclean Aquatic Centre. Some mention was made of the lack of services and amenities that the indoor pool offers.
- Diversity- Appreciation for the number of activities that are possible within the park for all ages.
- Skiing and Skating- Appreciation for the seasonal activities.
- Court Amenities (Tennis, Volleyball, Pickleball, Basketball)- Multiple comments discussed the appreciation of court-based activities within the park.
- Cost- Many comments mentioned the lack of costs associated with using the park. There was an appreciation for providing free family-friendly activities throughout the year.
- Facilities- Appreciation for the PSM Parks Centre and picnic shelters. Especially those shelters with fire pits nearby.
- Park Amenities- Few comments expressed appreciation for accessible playgrounds for multiple age groups, a unique disc golf course, new pump bike track and local fishing experience. Additional comments were intrigued to learn more about canoe rentals.

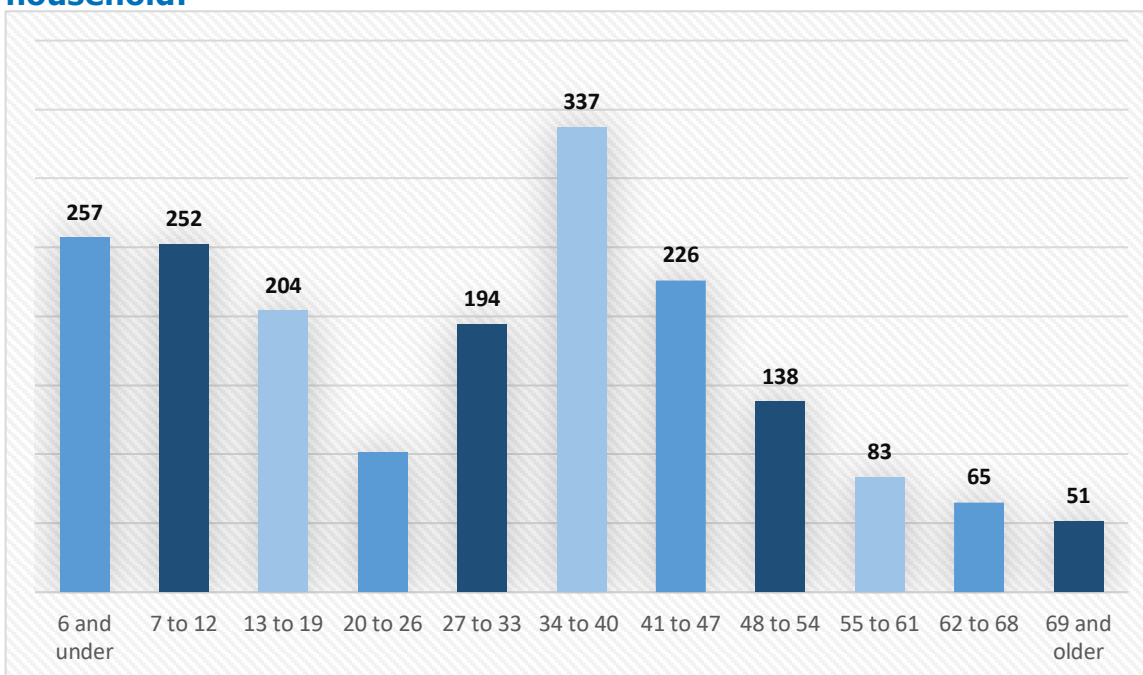
### **What park improvements, if any, would you like to see?**

Of the 945 comments submitted, the main themes focused on:

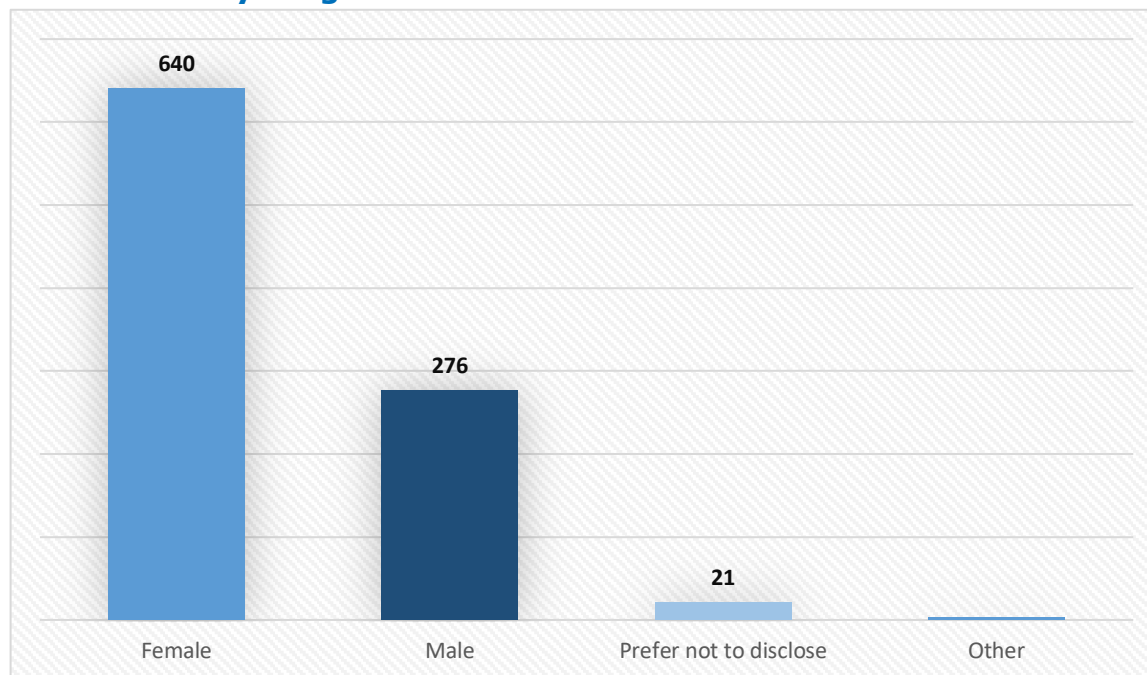
- Trails- Continual upgrades to the trails system additional routes and routes which connect current options. Desire to enhance accessibility for strollers, bikes/scooters/skateboards, wheelchairs, the elderly and those with mobility issues by paving, repairing cracked surfaces and widening paths. Few comments suggested the desire for bike lanes within paths.
- Parking- Desire for parking at additional access points throughout the park.
- Green Expansion- Desire to continue BMASP to 75 ave for additional access and wildlife corridors. Include more community garden plots to offer more natural recreation opportunities.
- Lighting- night lighting on trails, courts
- Enhanced Accessibility- accessible and adjustable volleyball nets, wayfinding signage, benches and resting areas throughout the walking paths, garbage cans, pet clean-up bags, washroom facilities (including change tables), water features within the lake, food and licensed beverage vendors, cultured artwork installations, educational signs regarding the biodiversity of the park and outdoor exercise equipment.
- Aquatic Services- Desire for an enhanced aquatic facility along with rubber surfaces at the splash park and wading tot pool.
- Programming and Events- Desire for additional outdoor programs/events for families such as Easter egg hunts, dog walking events, community BBQs, outdoor art shows/classes, holiday light displays, summer drop-in fun zones etc. Few comments the request for programming for adolescence and adults. Additional comments supported the desire for rental services target towards park amenities.
- Additional Pet Friendly Amenities- Off-leash dog park, agility courses
- Playgrounds- Desire for additional multi-aged playgrounds in a more central location.
- Ball Diamonds- Desire to upgrade diamonds with fences, dugouts etc.

- Disc Golf- Strong desire for cement or rubber tee-off pads to ensure no further damage is done to the grass. As well as additional baskets
- Safety- Some concerns for the safety of park users, suggestions are to include more patrol units. Also, concern for pedestrians crossing 59 ave and 29 street (Ring Road).
- Introduction of New Amenities- Suggestion to include uprights for recreational football play, additional requests were for turf, bleachers and lights. As well as cricket pitches and badminton courts.

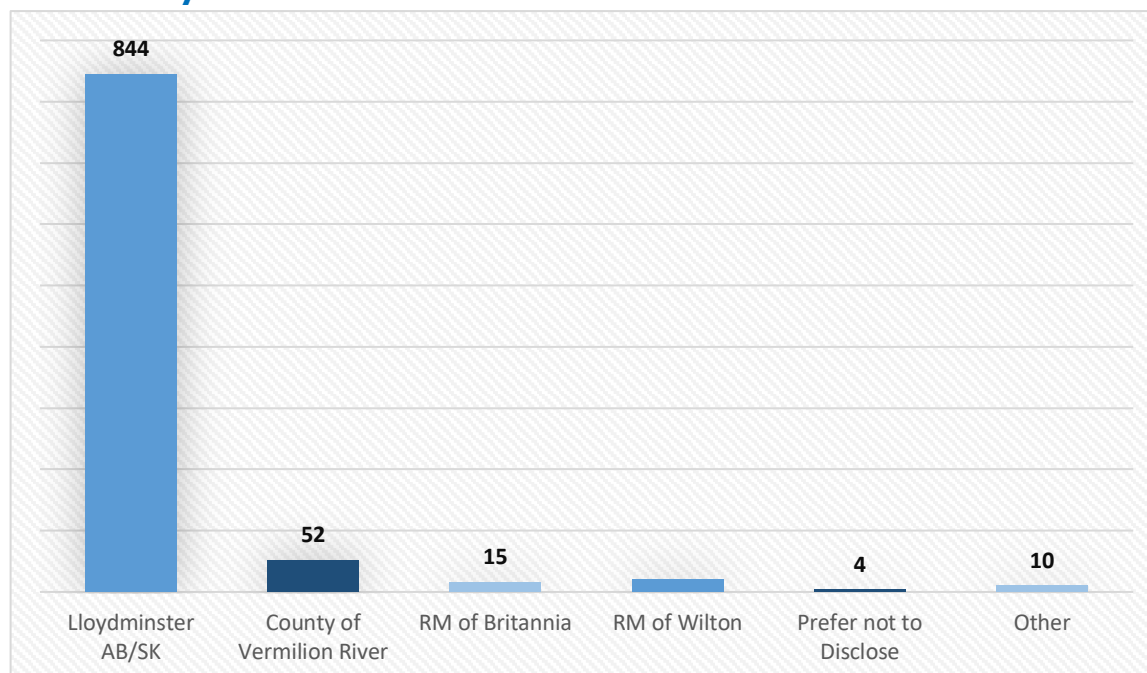
**Including yourself, please select the age ranges that reside within your household:**



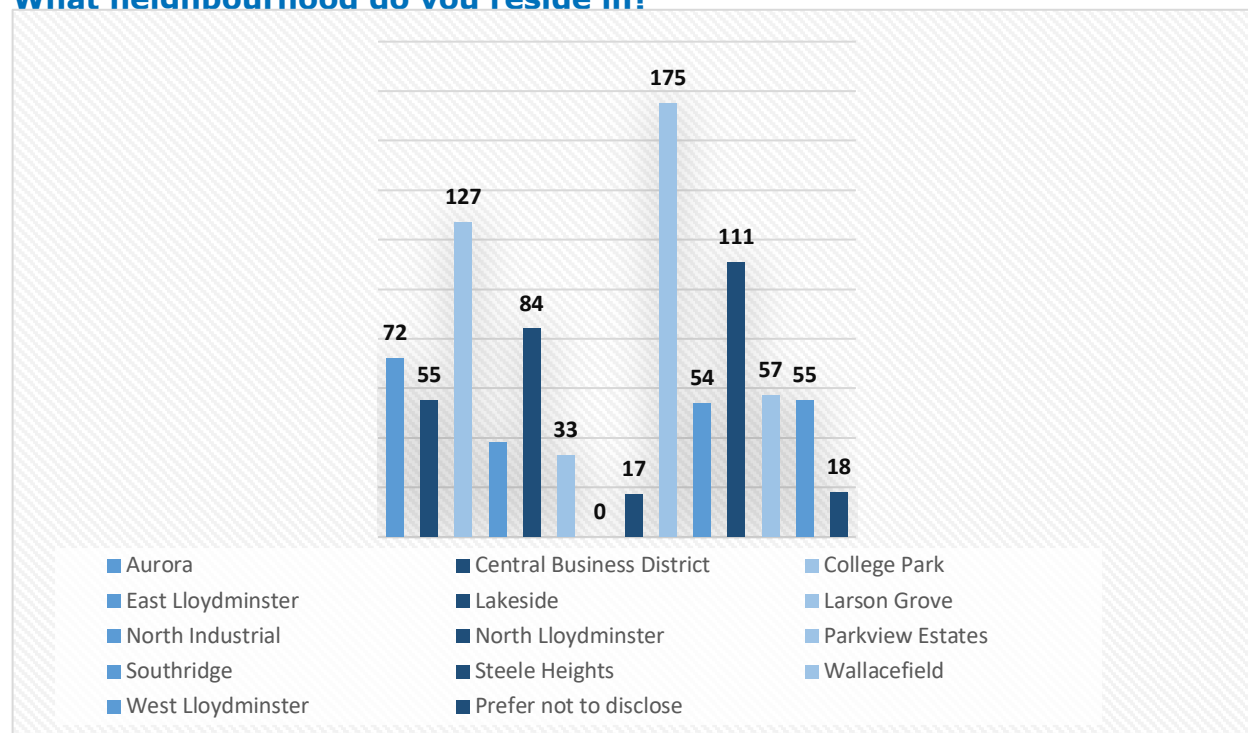
### Please select your gender:



### Where do you reside?



## What neighbourhood do you reside in?



## Do you have any additional questions or comments?

The main themes of this question included:

- Praise on general maintenance and space available at BMASP
- Support for park expansion and rehabilitation of other greenspaces
- Concern for the Bioclean Aquatic Centre and future aquatic improvements
- Praise for the community events which are hosted within the park

## Q&A Tool Feedback

Available throughout the scope of the project is a virtual Q&A tool. This allows residents to communicate with the project team at any time. The following questions and answers were communicated via the tool.

**The Bioclean facility is aged and far too small for serving a community this size. Lloydminster and surrounding communities population require a user friendly pool that isn't full, closed or under maintenance all the time.**

Hello,

Thank you for your question.

In 2019, the City of Lloydminster, with support from contracted organizations, completed a high-level analysis of city-owned facilities. This study analyzed factors such as age, condition

and capital cost for rehabilitation/renovation and much more. The study determined that the Bioclean Aquatic Centre has 20-plus years of life remaining, with regular maintenance.

Our community is one of diverse needs, passions, and interests, and as such, there will always be differing opinions on what the next big infrastructure investment should be. While the City is currently focused on the urgent replacement of the Centennial Civic Centre, a new indoor aquatic facility remains part of the City's long-term capital considerations.

**Why is it that Lloydminster as a city has 2 extremely competitive football teams (high school) and a HUGeLy growing minor football league - however our football fields are the laughing stock of multiple leagues, cities and towns. I would very much like to see football have as much effort and expense put into them as the tennis courts. 1 football field would give 50-60 kids access at one time for a game/ activity that lasts 2 hrs/ session. This in comparrison to tennis courts that cost millions of dollars and get used by 2-4 people in that same two hour time slot that the football field would be used. While Bud Miller may not be the ideal spot for a football field due to such high numbers in use, there are many other areas in Lloydminster that could be used to develop a field to be accessed by multiple families and children/adults alike to encourage exercise, team play and sportsmanship.**

Hi Lisa,

Thank you for your comments.

The City understands your concerns regarding the current amenities to support competitive football. While not necessarily a part of this project, we are looking at the feasibility and placement of new outdoor field surfaces, including football in additional greenspaces throughout the community. Our goal is to create inclusive spaces which allow everyone to enjoy their leisure activities.

**When will BMASP have enhanced swimming facilities to include a competition pool or pools to accommodate more competitive swimming and enhanced programming?**

Hello,

Thank you for your question.

The City of Lloydminster assessed the need for enhanced aquatic amenities within the Community Facilities Assessment Report in 2020/2021. Additional information is available online at [yourvoicelloyd.ca/CRFP](http://yourvoicelloyd.ca/CRFP). As a community priority, City aims to continue assessing the need for enhanced aquatic services.

The scope of this project covers the green space and park amenities such as the amphitheatre, PSM Park Centre, picnic shelters, spray park and more. If you haven't done so, we encourage you to complete the Phase 1 survey before February 22 to include your voice in the draft master plan.

### **What does PSM centre mean? Who are the stakeholders?**

Hello,

Thank you for your message. The PSM Parks Centre is the building located north of the Bioclean Aquatic Centre within the park.

Throughout this process we will engage with stakeholder who largely consist of park user groups, tenants, event organizers and more.

### **Next Steps**

Thank you to all residents and visitors who completed the public survey. The feedback collected through this survey will be reviewed and considered towards the master plan process. Phase 2 will include internal and external stakeholder meetings in mid-spring, which will be followed by phase three of public engagement.

Stay turned to the project webpage [yourvoicelloyd.ca/BudMiller](http://yourvoicelloyd.ca/BudMiller) for project related updates and future engagement opportunities.