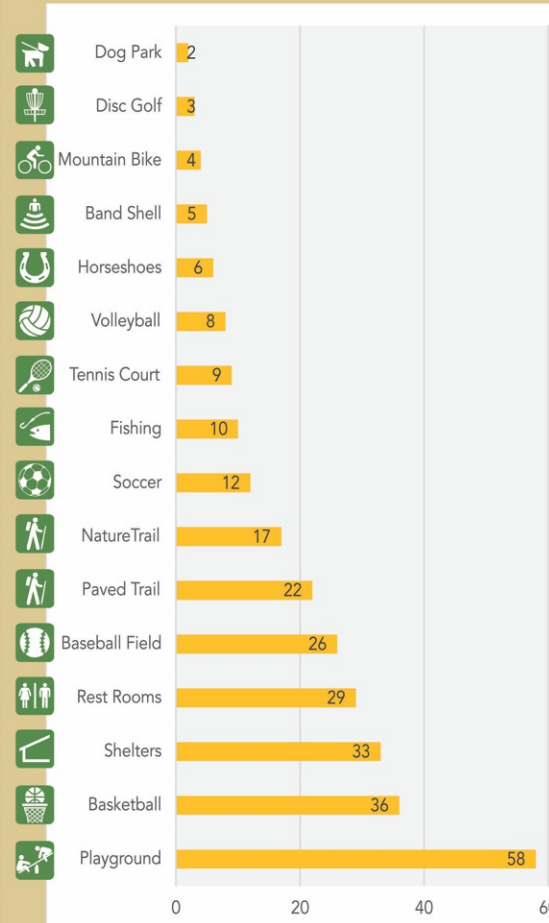


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— Direction 2030 Environment Research Report



*Note: school facilities are NOT INCLUDED in this analysis
as they are not always accessible



*Note: walk times based on average walking speed of 3.1 mph



Plan Goals & Objectives:

C Community Identity **H** Health **N** Natural Systems
E Economy **HC** Healthy Communities **Primary Goal**
G Governance **M** Mobility **Secondary Goal**

How Does This Topic Apply to Direction 2030

HC Improve the ability of residents to live a healthy lifestyle.

- M** Encourage the provision of both active and passive recreational opportunities to address the needs of different age groups and interests.
- N**

N Promote adequate access to natural systems to encourage outdoor activities for all generations on public property.

M Promote connectivity within and from surrounding neighborhoods to public parks or natural areas to encourage walking and biking.

N,E Strive to achieve a balance between development and preservation.

E Explore the viability of a regional park system as a tool to attract talent and jobs into the community.

Key Recommendations

“Assess the feasibility of a county-wide park system as it relates to economic competitiveness”

“Explore opportunities to link existing open space, parks, and recreation areas and investigate opportunities to expand the system within each of the four subareas of the county”