



Parks & Recreation 2009 Community Attitude Survey


Survey Instructions

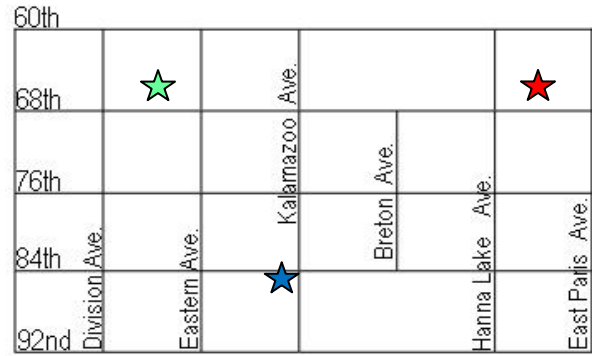
The Gaines Charter Township Parks and Recreation Committee is currently in the process of preparing a new Parks and Recreation Plan in order to be eligible for certain state grant opportunities. In order to gauge the opinions of residents regarding parks and recreation within the Township, this survey has been created. Please complete this survey and drop it off at one of the locations below, or mail by Monday, June 15th.

★ Dutton Fire Station
Please deposit in box by front door
3471-68th Street SE
Caledonia, MI 49316

★ Gaines Charter Township Offices
Please deposit in front drop box if after hours
8555 Kalamazoo Ave. SE
Caledonia, MI 49316

★ Kent District Library - Gaines
421 - 68th Street SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49548
Monday & Thursday 12pm-8pm
Tuesday 9:30am-8:00pm
Wednesday & Friday Saturday 9:30am-5pm

 **Mailing Address:**
Gaines Charter Township
Planning Department Survey
8555 Kalamazoo Ave. SE
Caledonia, MI 49316



Completed surveys will be entered in a drawing for a \$25 Home Depot giftcard that was donated by a local resident. Only one survey permitted per household. (See back)

Giftcard
\$25

Survey

1. Of the people in your household, how many of those people are in each of the following age groups?
 0-5 years _____ 13-22 years _____ 46-60 years _____
 6-12 years _____ 23-45 years _____ Over 60 years _____
2. How many people of each gender are in your household? Male _____ Female _____
3. Where are you a resident? Gaines Charter Township Caledonia Township Byron Township City of Kentwood Other
4. Do you rent or own your home? Rent Own
5. Which type of home do you live in? Condominium Apartment House
6. How many parks or recreation opportunities are within walking distance from your home? _____
7. How many people in your household attended Cutlerville Days last June? _____
8. What age group do you think most needs more local parks and recreation opportunities
 Seniors Adults Teens Children
9. What park(s), playground(s) or trail(s) do you visit most? _____
10. On average, how often do you visit the following Kent County Parks each year?
 Creekside _____ Dutton/Shadyside _____ Brewer _____
11. How many times have you visited the new Township park, Prairie Wolf Park? _____
12. Would you be willing to pay an extra \$35-\$40 per year to support recreational facilities in the Township? Yes No
13. What category would you want to see the \$35-\$40- spent on: (**choose one**)
 Land Preservation Parks Parks & Land Preservation

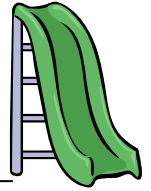




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14. In what order would you like these items to be priorities for the Township? **(Please use a 1, 2 and 3)**

Trails _____ Parks _____ Land Preservation _____



15. Which type of parks should be expanded or added? **(choose one)** Township Owned County Owned

16. Where would you most like to see a new park? _____

17. Which park would you most like to see expanded? _____

18. When are you most likely to visit a park? **(choose one)** 8am-Noon Noon-6pm After 6pm

19. Which type of park do you think is more important? Active (play areas/fields) Passive (trails/nature)

20. When you go to a park, how often do you participate in or use:

	Often	Sometimes	Seldom	Never		Often	Sometimes	Seldom	Never
Grills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ball Diamonds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tennis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nature Trails	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Soccer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pavilion Rental	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Basketball	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Playground	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Frisbee Golf	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Picnic Areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

21. Please rank the **top 5** items you would like to see added, or more of, in the township:



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| Ball Diamonds _____ | Frisbee Golf _____ | Picnic Areas _____ | Tennis _____ |
| Basketball _____ | Educational Programs _____ | Racquetball _____ | Outdoor Track _____ |
| Bicycling _____ | Football _____ | Shuffleboard _____ | Trails _____ |
| Concert Arena/Amphitheatre _____ | Grills _____ | Shelters _____ | Volleyball _____ |
| Cricket _____ | Horseshoes _____ | Sledding _____ | |
| Croquet _____ | Ice Skating _____ | Soccer _____ | |



22. Of the above items, which does your household participate in most? _____

23. Of the above items, which are available to your household, but not participated in? _____

24. Of the above items, which is most important to your household? _____

25.

Additional Comments

The following must be completed for drawing eligibility.
Name
Address
Phone Number
E-mail Address (Optional)

GCTO

You can contact the Planning Department at (616)698-6640 or megan.sharp@gainestownship.org with any questions. Thank you for your participation in making Gaines Charter Township a better place to play, exercise, and enjoy nature!