


# RECREATIONAL STATISTICS

## METROPARKS 2016 COMMUNITY SURVEY:

11. It is very important that the Metroparks offers:

	% Very Important
Trails for walking/hiking	84.5
Picnic areas	83.0
Playgrounds	82.0
Nature viewing areas	77.5
Outdoor events and festivals	65.0
Survival skill classes	63.7
Fishing access	62.8
Exercise and fitness stations	60.0
Health and fitness class	60.0
Nature based play areas	59.0
Sledding	50.0
Nature based photography	47.8
Dog parks/off leash areas	42.8
Tent camping	40.0
Horseback riding	37.0
Overnight backpacking	32.8
Kayaking/canoeing	32.3
Mountain biking	31.8
Cross country skiing	28.5
Archery	17.5
Geocaching	15.5
Stand up paddle boarding	13.3

**FOCUS GROUP SUMMARY REPORT: Northwest Ohio Focus Groups**  
 Focus group participants cite the following as emerging activities, either newly introduced or gaining in popularity:



BOATING	CAMPING	FIELD & COURT SPORTS	GOLF	OTHER FACILITIES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>kayaking</li> <li>canoeing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>one-stop offering outdoor adventure activities such as hunting, fishing, and zip line</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>flag football</li> <li>indoor basketball</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>disc golf</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>picnic shelters</li> <li>shelters for events</li> <li>shelters at water features</li> <li>dog friendly areas</li> <li>play equipment in neighborhood parks</li> <li>heritage sites</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>archery</li> <li>geocaching</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>pools with zero entry</li> <li>water features</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Multi-use paved trails: bicycling, walking,</li> <li>Unpaved trails: horseback riding</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>birding</li> <li>fishing tournaments</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fitness: outdoor fitness center, walking track, healthy lifestyle programs (walk with a doc), running events</li> <li>outdoor music concerts</li> <li>volunteer river clean-ups</li> <li>outreach to parents and schools</li> <li>summer camps</li> </ul>

