



Bailey's Branch Park Project

Engagement #1 Summary : March 26, 2024 – April 12, 2024



**ARLINGTON
VIRGINIA**

Parks & Recreation

Who Participated?



IN-PERSON FEEDBACK

**80+ Attendees to pop-up
Park Open House Event**

*Through this event,
we received comments
and input on
engagement boards*



In-Person Feedback from the Pop-Up Event on March 16, 2024



How do you access the park?

CONCEPT DIAGRAM








Questions? (¿Preguntas?)

1. How do you access the park? (place a dot) ¿Cómo entran al Parque? / ¿Por dónde entran al Parque? (coloque la etiqueta en el lugar adecuado)
2. How do you use the lawn field? ¿Cómo usan el área con césped?
3. Other comments Otros Comentarios:

LEGEND


EXISTING PARK ELEMENTS

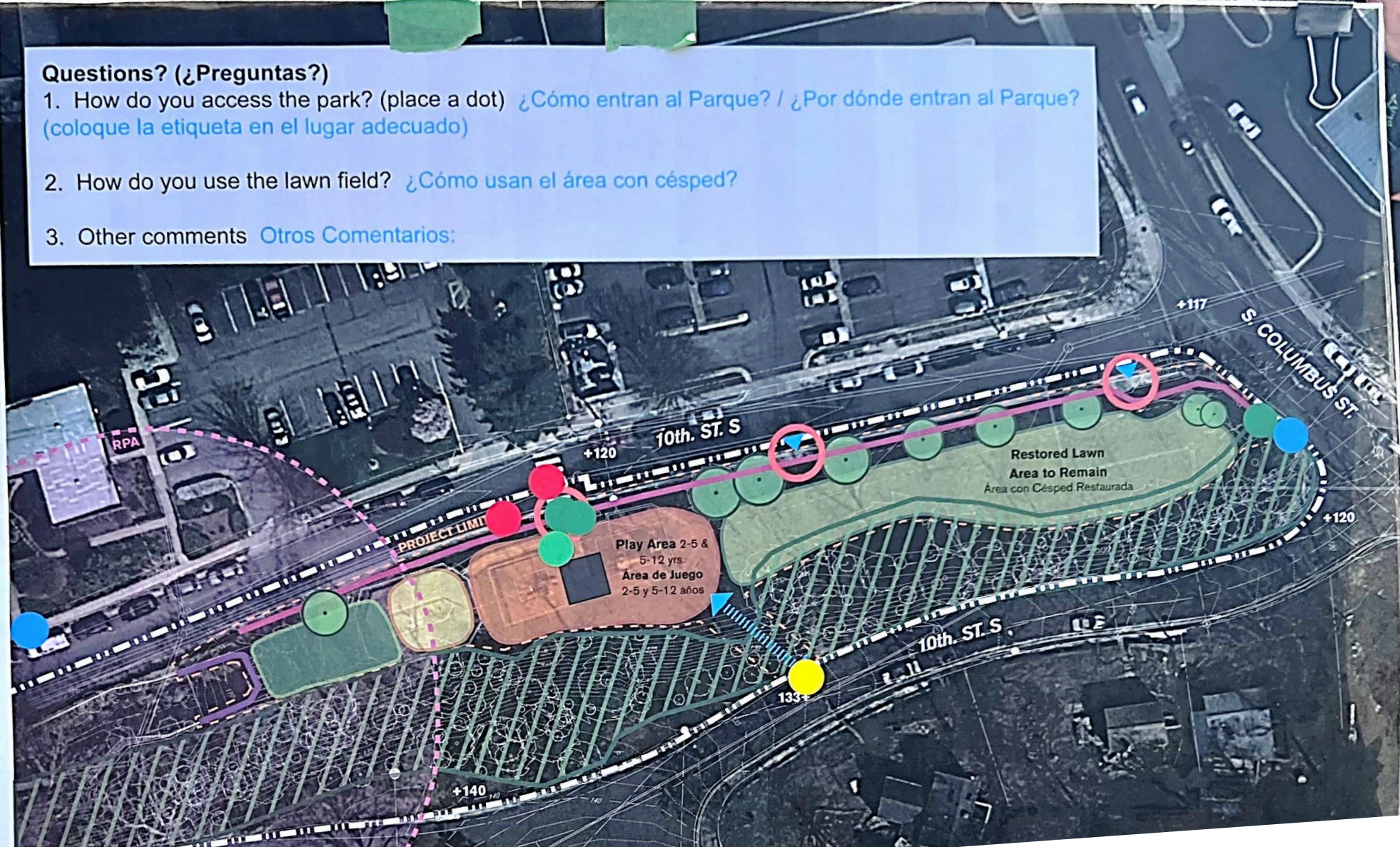
Elementos que Existen en el Parque

-  Park Boundary
Lmites/Fronteras del Parque
-  Wooded Area to Remain + Steep Slopes
Bosque y Cuestas Empinadas Permanecerán
-  Resource Protection Area (RPA)
Área de Protección de Recursos
-  Tree to remain
Árbol Permanecerá
-  Existing Park Entrance
Entrada al Parque Existente
-  Existing Hillside Desire Path
Camino Natural Existente
-  Existing Creek Fence to be replaced
Cerca del Arroyo será Reemplazada

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PROPOSED PARK ELEMENTS

-  Play Area 2-5 & 5-12 yrs.
Área de Juego 2-5 y 5-12 años



Rank the following elements (Ages 2-5) from what you like most to what you like least?

An image of the event feedback board is linked [here](#).

48 In-Person Respondents

58%

A - Platform with natural creative play and rope elements

A

Platform with natural creative play and rope elements. Colors/materials can be modified.

Plataforma con juego creativo natural y elementos de cuerda. Los colores/materiales se pueden modificar.



10%

B - Natural wood creative play, rope elements.

B

Natural wood creative play, rope elements. Natural colors.

Juego creativo de madera natural, elementos de cuerda. Colores naturales.



31%

C - Platform with themed play.

C

Platform with themed play. Colors/materials can be modified.

Plataforma con juego imaginario. Los colores/materiales se pueden modificar.



Please choose up to 3 additional play elements.
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40 In-Person Respondents

20% Small Swing



20% Playhouse



25% Adventure hill



18% Play Panels



18% Playful seating



Rank the following elements (Ages 5-12) from what you like most to what you like least? An image of the event feedback board is linked [here](#).

90 In-Person Respondents

23% A - Metal and netting climbing, rope elements.

A Metal and netting climbing, rope elements. Colors/materials can be modified.

Escalada metálica y con redes, elementos de cuerda. Los colores/materiales se pueden modificar.



19% B - Natural wood multilevel tower, rope elements.

B Natural wood multilevel tower, rope elements. Natural colors.

Torre de varios niveles de madera natural y elementos de cuerda. Colores naturales.



58% C - Combination traditional multilevel tower,

C Combination traditional multilevel tower, rope elements. Colors/materials can be modified.

Combinación de torre tradicional de varios niveles y elementos de cuerda. Los colores/materiales se pueden modificar.



Please choose up to 2 additional play elements.(Ages 5-12)

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50 In-Person Respondents

46%

Swinging Saucer



40%

Climbing Tree

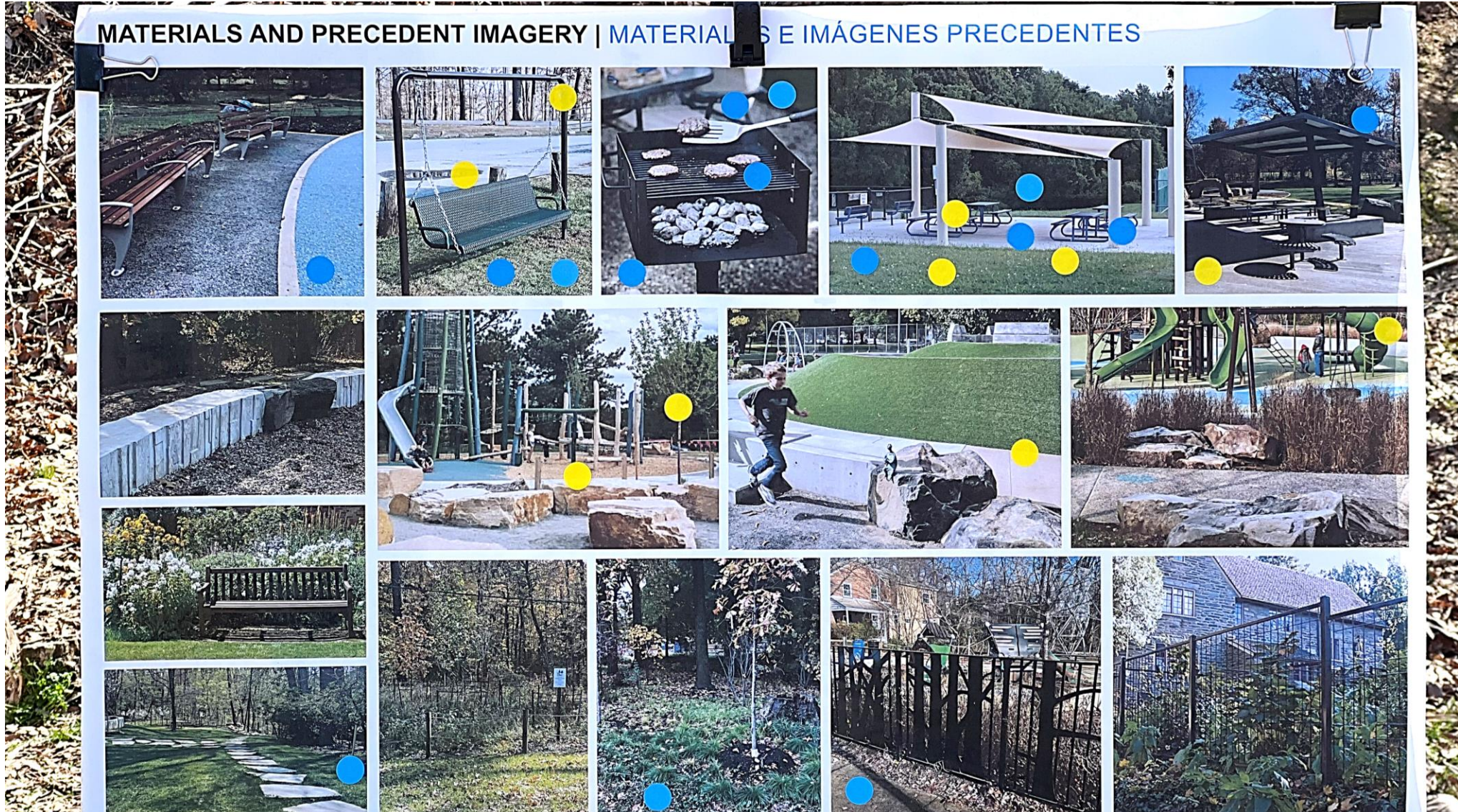


14%

Log Nature Play



Proposed Materials and Precedent Imagery



Did we miss something? Please use the space below to share any additional thoughts that were not captured by your answers above :

BAILEY'S BRANCH PARK

Additional Comments: Comentarios adicionales

More lighting
MORE LIGHTING

change the field and make it more safer

new fence and more grass
ball goes in street

New fence so the balls don't go outside on the street

have more structures

Continuation and expand park from Bailey's Branch
Connect with trail
Expand access to green space and increase connectivity

Check trees for ivy, overgrown invasive, etc

Add a sensory/Community garden

Add lighting

Shading Slides are unusable in summer

Better fencing for balls and kids running into street

splash p!

People cut through upper hill and leave trash

I WANT MORE SWINGS IN THE PLAYGROUND
FRONTSTAN

More than 2 big kid swings!!

More/better lighting

Lower speed limit, add speed bump, better fence

We heard a ~~whistle~~ slide!

Better traffic calming at the crosswalk

Better drainage on the playground and the field

Who Participated?



ONLINE FEEDBACK FORM

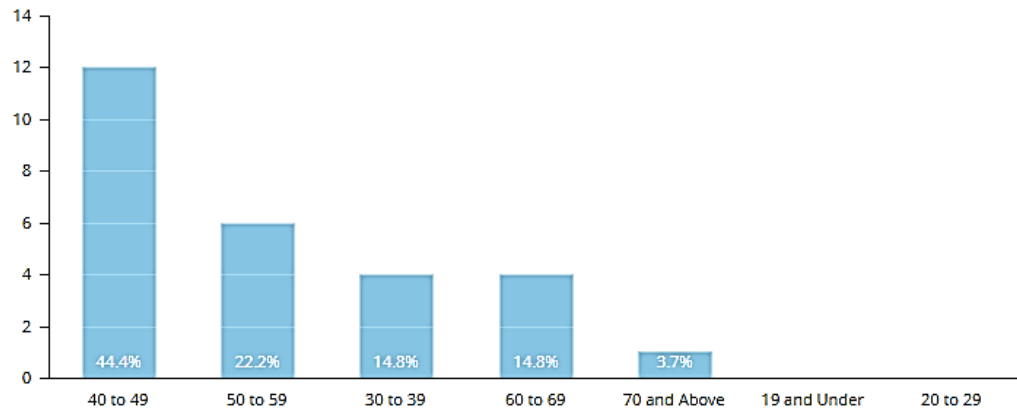
35 Online Survey Responses

*Through these responses,
we received 28 comments*

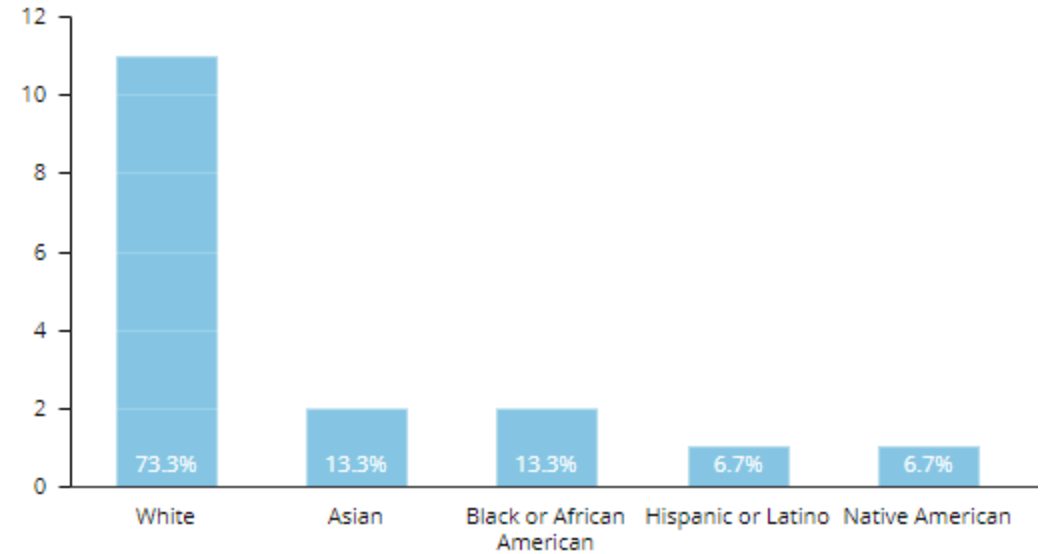


Who Participated: Online

Age Range



Race/Ethnicity

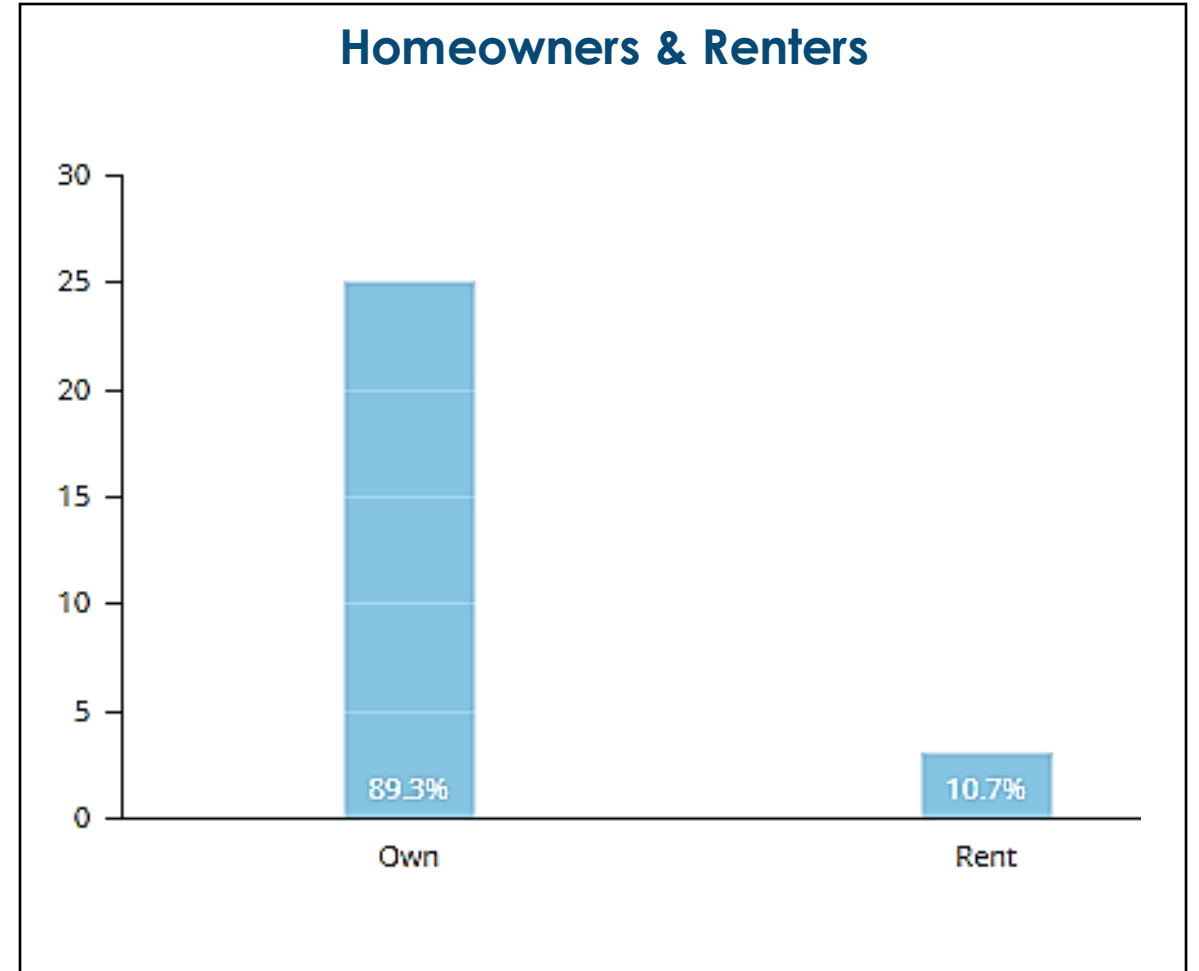
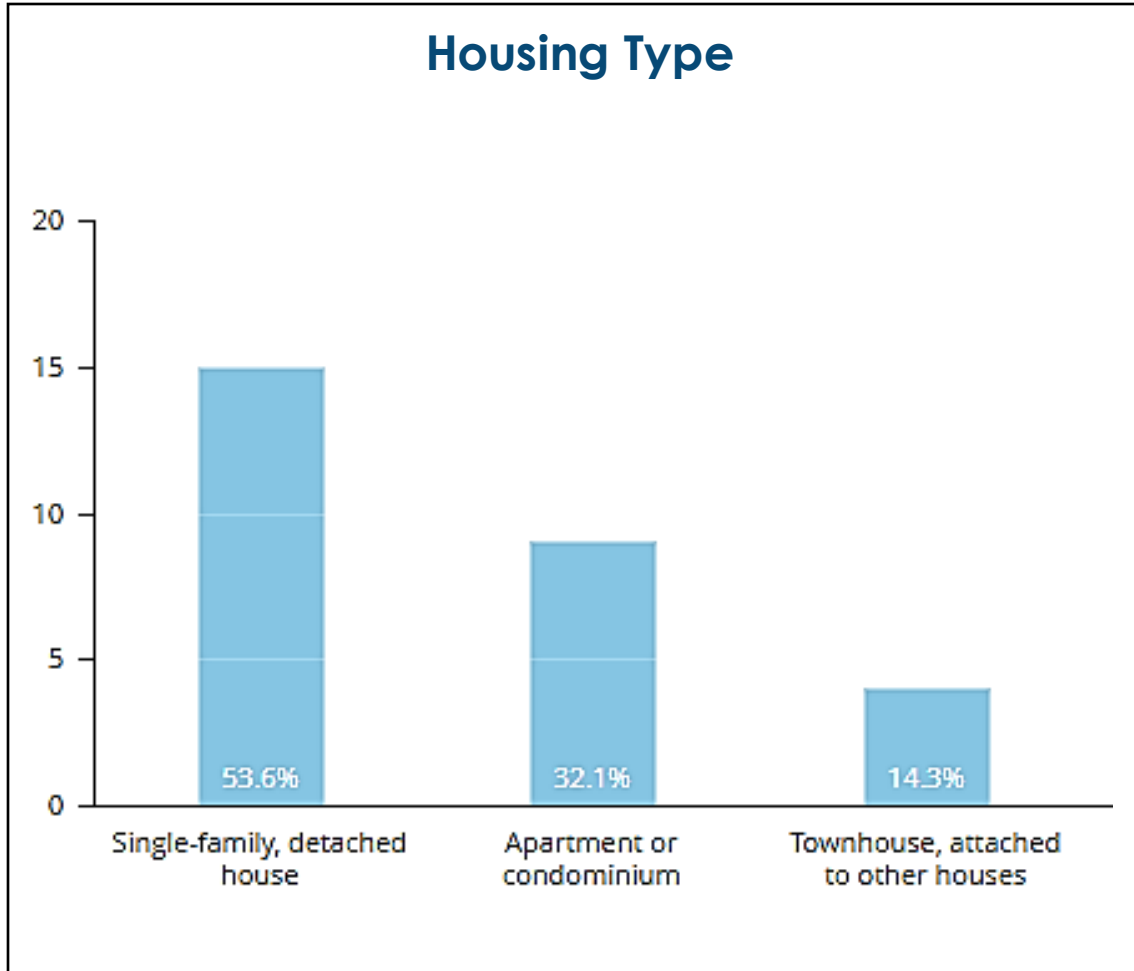


U.S. CENSUS RACE/ETHNICITY FOR ARLINGTON, VA

[Visit Arlington's Race and Ethnicity Dashboard to learn more.](#)

74%	11.1%	10.3%	15.6%	0.2%
White	Asian	Black or African American	Hispanic or Latino	Native America

Who Participated: Online



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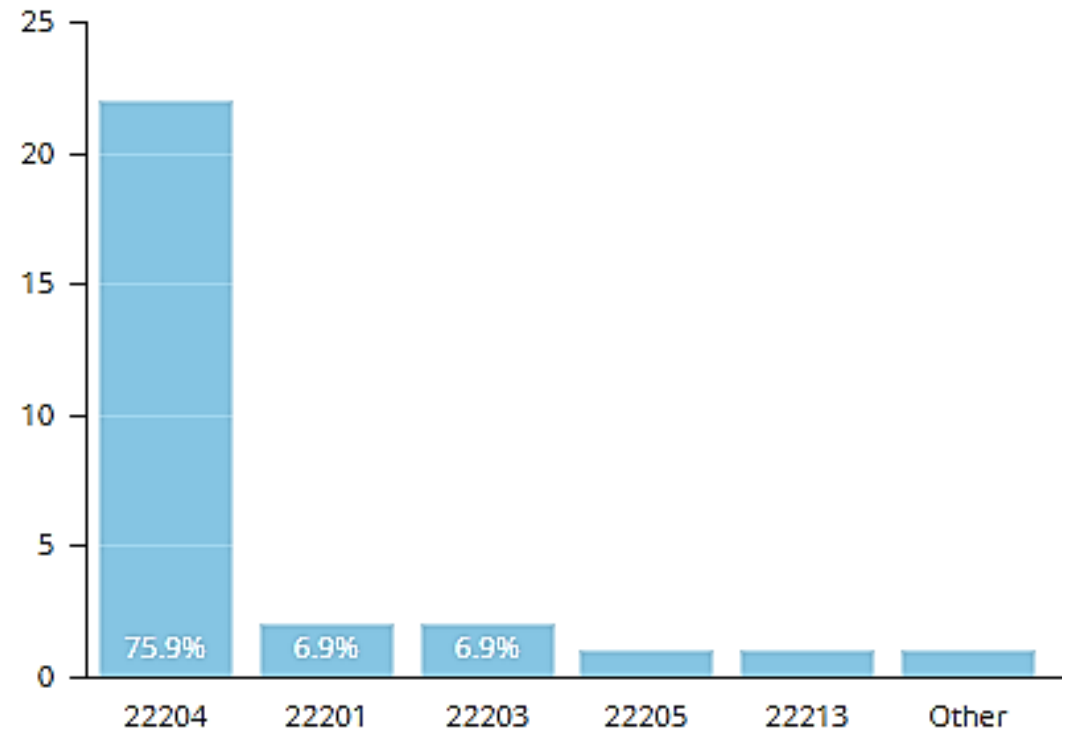
Neighborhoods

In total, the project team heard from respondents located in **10 out of 62** Arlington civic associations.

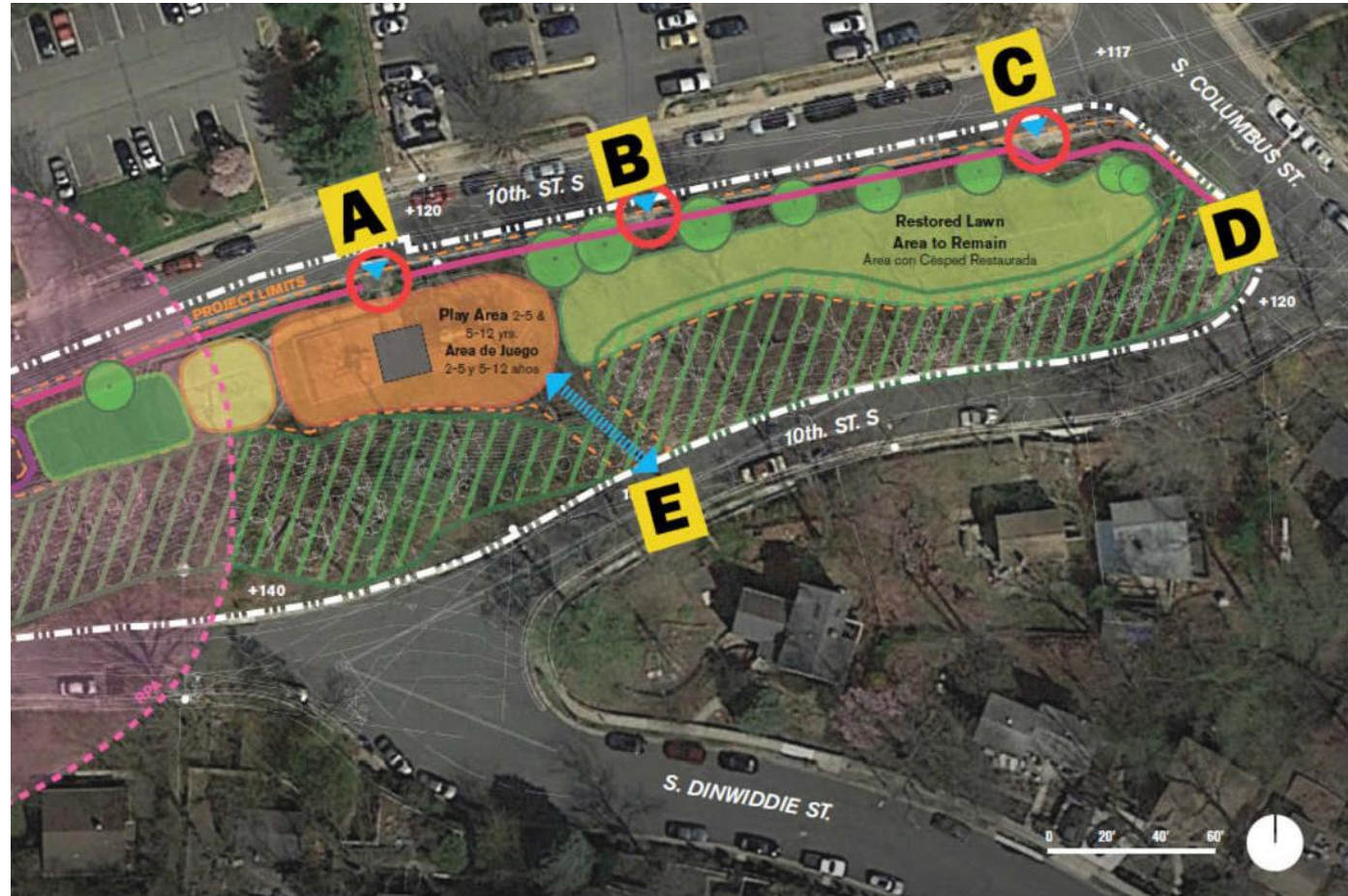
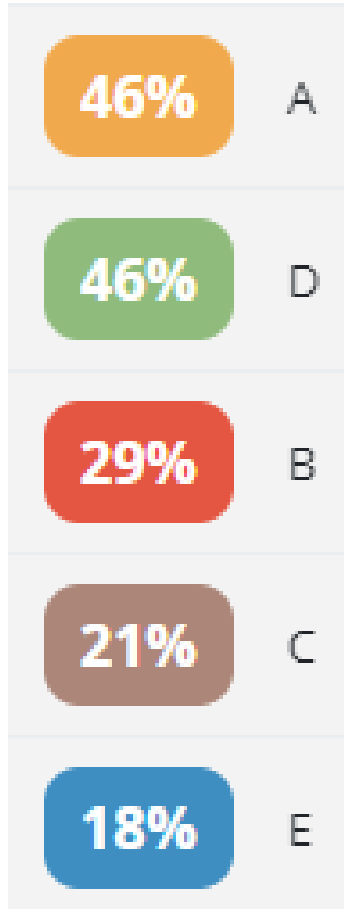
Top Neighborhood Responses

- Columbia Forest (55%)
- Arlington Mill (7%)
- Barcroft (7%)
- Columbia Heights (7)

Zip Code



How do you access the park?



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84%

A - Platform with natural creative play and rope elements

A

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65%

B - Natural wood creative play, rope elements.

B

Natural wood creative play, rope elements. Natural colors.

Juego creativo de madera natural, elementos de cuerda. Colores naturales.



48%

C - Platform with themed play.

C

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Please choose up to 3 additional play elements. (Ages 2-5)

63% Small Swing



57% Playhouse



50% Adventure hill



37% Play Panels



27% Playful seating



Rank the following elements (Ages 5-12) from what you like most to what you like least?

41%

A - Metal and netting climbing, rope elements.

A

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48%

B - Natural wood multilevel tower, rope elements.

B

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70%

C - Combination traditional multilevel tower,

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Please choose up to 2 additional play elements.(Ages 5-12)

63% Swinging Saucer



57% Climbing Tree



43% Log Nature Play



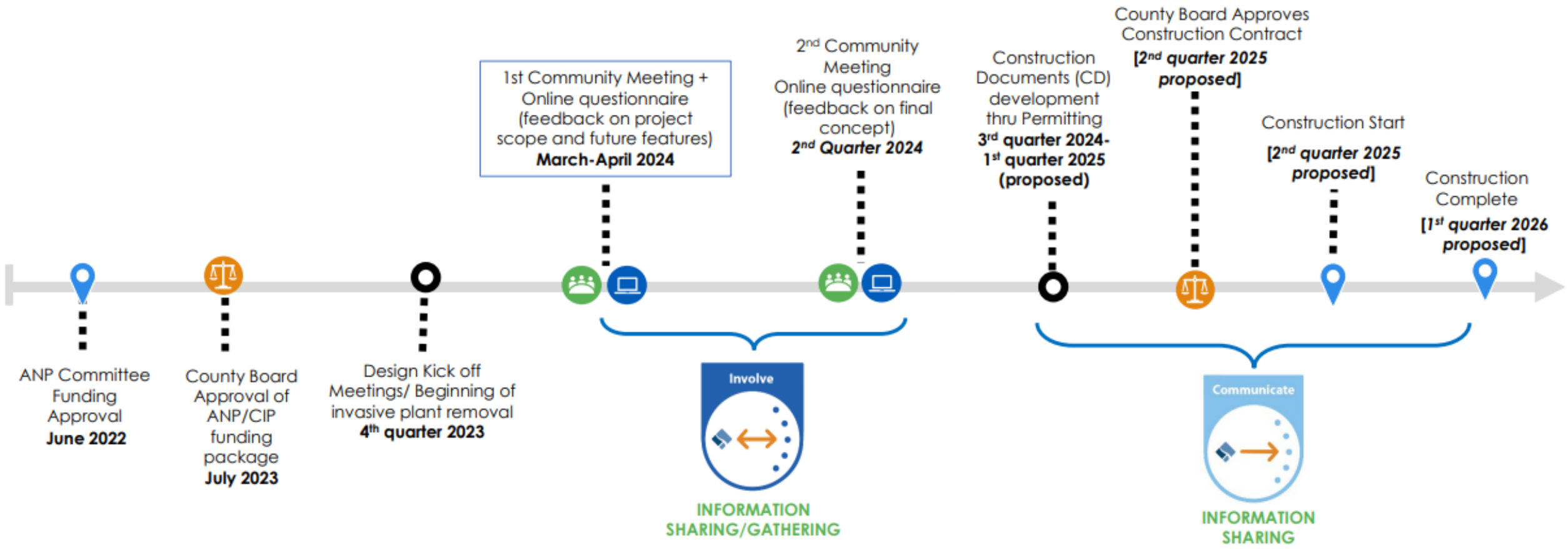
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Below are some of the themes we heard from the open-ended comments.

<i>Theme</i>	Play and Safety Features:	Paths and Accessibility:	Native Plants:	Maintenance and Management:	Minimalism and Cost Effectiveness:
<i>Summary</i>	This category includes enhancing playgrounds and ensuring safety by installing non-open style fencing to keep balls inside the park and prevent them from rolling into traffic, and adding self-closing gates at entry points to slow children from running into the road.	Proposals include adding or improving pathways and sidewalks within the park to make it more accessible, especially for strollers and those with mobility challenges, enhancing safety and usability for all park visitors.	Focuses on the importance of planting native species that provide resources for local ecosystems and pollinators.	Emphasizes improving park maintenance practices, and calling for a management approach that supports biodiversity.	Advocates for simpler, more cost-effective park designs by utilizing natural landscapes such as trees and grassy areas for children's play and family activities, which are less expensive and require lower maintenance compared to elaborate play equipment.

Bailey's Branch Park – Public Engagement Timeline

Origin:
 Funding: CIP & ANP Funding
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Online Feedback
 (e.g. questionnaire, feedback form, etc.)

In-Person Engagement and Pop-Ups
 (e.g. community meeting, roundtable, tabling, walking/bus tour, deliberative dialogue, etc.)

Virtual Meeting
 (e.g., TEAMS, TEAMS live, Zoom, etc.)

County Board Engagement
 (e.g. public hearing, Board work session, open door Monday, commission meeting etc.)

Key Milestone