

2022 Parks, Rec & Library Survey Results - 321 Respondents

Please select 5 of the following amenities/services that most interest you.

Community Center Sign	10.59%	34
Expand Library Services	30.53%	98
Expand Weight Room and Fitness Room Hours	40.81%	131
Expand Youth Programs and Activities	39.88%	128
Hockey Rink/Warming House	32.71%	105
Landscape Improvements	12.46%	40
Mountain Bike Trails	32.40%	104
Paved Interior Park Trails with Paved Running Track	43.30%	139
Private Business Room Rental	5.92%	19
Skate Park	14.33%	46
Splash Pad	40.50%	130
Swimming Beach	40.19%	129
Transportation to the Community Center	6.85%	22
Year-round Outdoor Bathroom Facility at the Community Center	40.81%	131

Other(s) 48

Archery Range & Rentals	1
Additional Outdoor Pickleball Courts	10
Additional Indoor Pickleball Courts	2
Adult/Senior Programs	3
Loon Museum	1
Pool	18
Indoor Tennis Courts	1
Disk Golf Expansion	1
Sand Volleyball Courts	1
Recreational Skate (not hockey)	1
Tennis Backboard	1
Sauna/Steam Room	1
Improve Dog Park	3
Longer Trails (XC-Ski, Running, Snowshoe)	1
New Playground Equipment	2
Seating in Gym	1

Those who listed 'Pool'

Resident	13
Non-resident Property Owner	4
Visitor	1

Please select one of the following.

I am a Crosslake Resident	199
I am a Crosslake non-resident property owner	69
I am a Crosslake Visitor	53

Which of the following best describes your age group?

Under 18	0.93%	3
18-24	1.87%	6
25-34	11.53%	37
35-44	27.10%	87
45-54	12.46%	40
55-64	26.79%	86
65+	19.31%	62

Have you been to the Community Center, Library or Park?

Yes	99.69%	320
No	0.31%	1


If yes, what amenities, programs or services have you used? Select all that apply.

Baseball Fields	90
Clubs	29
Community Center	50
Disk Golf	55
Dog Park	99
Ice Rink	107
Library	209
Meeting Room	61
Pickleball	81
Playground	208
Shuffleboard/Bocce Ball Courts	16
Silver Sneakers Classes	36
Sledding Hill	112
Tennis	76
Trails (hiking, snowshoeing, skiing)	171
Volleyball	12
Weight Room/Fitness Room	151
Other(s)	23
Gym	7
Basketball Court	2
Shelter	3
Tax Service	1
Events	2
Patio Area	2
Events/Classes	4
Soccer	2

Do you have any additional feedback?

1. Warming House and Hockey Rink are in dire need for improvements.
2. Please open the fitness center Sunday mornings.
3. No
4. We love this community there is so much to do. It's beautiful.
5. We love the community center! Thank you for caring about our community and working to make it more family-friendly.
6. We think you're doing a great job! Winter ski trails are great, and the ice rink is a great option for our adult kids.
7. I know it would be a huge expense but lighting along the trails & paths would love to walk more in early mornings or in late evening when cool during summer & in evening during fall winter but it is dark when I get home from work
8. Please reopen the fitness center at 8 am Sunday mornings
9. No
10. No
11. Thank you all you do to keep the cc up and running smoothly.
12. None
13. I am against the loon center being put at the dam. This is a horrible spot to add more traffic and activity. We will lose the up north feel of the community.
14. Pre-pandemic the weight room/fitness room opened at 8am on Sundays. That was my one open slot during the week that I could take advantage of. Please consider opening earlier on Sundays. Thank you.
15. Keep planning forward. The Crosslake Community Center just keeps getting better.
16. Love the new improvements! Great job!
17. Indoor tennis courts would allow for year round tennis and pickle ball. As more and more people make Crosslake their permanent residence, this will be important
18. No
19. Would love to see a swimming pool with swimming lessons offered.
20. Indoor pool would be nice
21. Nice facility friendly
22. I would like the playground back at the campgrounds children loved to play at that park
23. We love the Crosslake Community Center already and would love for it to have more kid friendly activities!
24. No
25. I think a skatepark would be an amazing addition to the cross lake community center.
26. I think with our growing population we need to work on getting more programs for our children. Parents are driving long distances to bring their children to activities. The activities that are listed for kids need to be more advertised with more notice. Maybe like a book that Pequot lakes does.
27. Thank you for being a wonderful addition to our community!
28. For baseball this year there was not even a portable toilet by the field. There had been in years past. That was kind of inconvenient for players that might need to go during the game. Also, there is no seating for our guests other than the one set of bleachers on the home side. It would be awesome to try to get teams going for older ages summer ball.
29. It's a beautiful park and amenities. Thank you for making it free and inviting to all.
30. No
31. Walking and Bike paths throughout city
32. The pickleball facilities are excellent and draw a lot of people. At times, it's very crowded. Adding more courts will help this great social activity to thrive. Thank you!
33. I am so impressed with all the improvements!
34. Keep up the great work! We love the cc ski and hiking/snowshoe trails and lighted skating rinks.
35. This is an amazing place with lots of fun things to do!
36. Love to swim at an indoor pool in the winter. Keep our wonderful walking paths snow free in the winter.

37. An indoor pool would be a Long term investment in community health. 6-8 months of the year our lakes are too cold to swim, our young people need swim lessons to prevent drownings and there is not a pool in the area within a reasonable drive time. Seniors would benefit from water aerobics and lessons as well
38. Noo
39. No
40. NA
41. Requesting a skate park for skateboarders. The majority of my grandchildren enjoy skateboarding and have no safe place to skateboard in Crosslake, other than parking lots. Also it would be nice to have a skate roller rink in the area for an indoor activity, as the winters are so long. Thank you, Patricia Anderson
42. My opinion, for what it is worth as a Senior, too much of my tax dollars are being spent on facilities which aren't being used. Why not use some of this money to create walking paths along or around some of the more outlying lakes.
43. I am disappointed we are spending tens of thousands of dollars on new equipment for the fitness room but can't get back to the open hours from before covid hit.
44. It would be nice if the small dog park could be cleaned/trimmed up more for the smaller dogs to get through.
45. It would be nice to have a pool.
46. The lake is why people go to Crosslake. I think maintaining what is already in the area is all that is needed and would also help keep property taxes from skyrocketing so people can remain up there.
47. Great place, more bike racks would be nice. Suggestions for or donation site at the community center for produce people would like to donate either from community garden or home garden.
48. No
49. My mom lives in Crosslake so I spend a lot of time there.
50. No
51. Yes! When I first visited the library, I used it once a week. First impressions: Wow it's so clean in here. Wonder why it's not busy. No one ever in here. Well let me tell you, I know why. The people running the place do nothing but crab at you. Always telling you what to do, always some criticism. I refuse to go there anymore. I feel this behavior comes from the top. Yup a perfect library that no one wants to use. It's been 4 years and I haven't gone back and never will. I love the people at the gym and workout place.
52. Please.....no more taxes to fund these special projects. We can live just fine with what we have
53. Yes, Crosslake is known for NOT welcoming beginner pickle ball players except when they are not interested in playing such as hot afternoons. Shame on them and the city for letting this happen.
54. The draw to Crosslake is the lake. I much prefer lower taxes over city spending that only a select few will benefit from.
55. No
56. Would LOVE to see a splash pad
57. I plan on utilizing your services more than just going to the library
58. When my children were little I was disappointed in the lack of inside activities that were available to young families with children inside of the community center. Especially the gym. It seemed like you couldn't do anything in there except a bounce a ball because of the floors. No bikes allowed no rollerblading, or anything of the sort. And it seems to still be the same. I feel like A lot of things are catered to the seniors of the community, which don't get me wrong is great , but, it would've totally of been nice to have more opportunities for young families during our long winter months.
59. My family has lived in Crosslake and most likely will again soon. As mentioned before, it is important to have trails to actually get out into Crosslake's wilderness and woods. It is also important to have lake access somewhere where people can swim. The only real access to the water is through Army Corps property and it is sad that the federal government are the only ones offering the public access. Crosslake continues to sell every property it has and doesn't utilize its land for public benefit. You can easily live in Crosslake and not have access to all of what it has to offer because of this.
60. I/we enjoy using the facilities at the community center. Thank you for serving the community
61. No
62. No
63. Indoor dog park for winter?
64. Many amenities for a small community

65. Expand the fitness room hours please
66. I love the amenities you provide - what a great resource for the community.
67. A pool at the community center would be amazing
68. Please reopen the weight room/fitness room on Sunday mornings.
69. Nope!
70. We need a REAL hockey rink please
71. Crosslake is full of things to do, even for kids. I love having things close by for us to enjoy as a family, especially outside!
72. More activities for youth
73. No
74. Na
75. Who flooded the ice rink It was real bad Grass dirt some ice on north end Come on man
76. Pool
77. Please maintain ball fields better. They used to be pretty nice and now they're one of the worst in the area.
78. Thank for you thinking of our Crosslake kids! Helping them have a local safe place to be would be amazing!
79. Indoor kid activities during winter months after kids story time during the week
80. A kids area with some interactive things in library would be nice and also story time. I would like to be close to home versus driving to crosby each week
81. As a business owner in crosslake we need activities to draw families year round
82. No
83. Please add any organized activities for grade school children! Why are there no day camps to bring in income? I understand staffing may be a concern, but the demand is there I am sure. Sports would be a huge plus as the local charter school has limited options, referring parents to the Pequot Lakes District. We participated in a soccer league awhile back at the cmty center but the schedule did not work for today's working parents in my opinion. Personally, I feel like the community center is tailored more for out of state snowbirds and doesn't fully capitalize on the younger local families and residents that would like to see more.
84. No
85. No
86. I think there should be a sign at the end of Daggett Pine Road but that is something that should just be done not part of this survey
87. More kids activities and a splash pad would be great.
88. As said in prior question hope to be more involved
89. No
90. Any kind of youth activities would be very valuable to our community!
91. Please open the library for longer hours, being a working parent of 4 we can't get in there between the hours of 9-4.
92. Library needs more current items - like a few popular magazines and craft and cook books!
93. No
94. Not catering to the younger people seems like just the 65+ age group
95. I only want the trails paved because the tics are so bad back there and it would be great for biking.
96. More open to outsiders or visitors- a very clicky environment-not welcoming
97. We are very grateful to have the community center in our backyard! We are close by on Ossiwanamakee. One thing that would be helpful is having the website current or up to date with the hours. It may be now, but I know when I've checked in the past, it was not. I showed up to use the fitness center to find out it was closed. The next time I just made sure to call.
98. Build an indoor walking track above the gym surface so that people can walk safely well people use the gym.
99. We are Ideal Township residents, and we enjoy the community center quite a bit
100. thank you
101. I would like access to more information on the clubs and amenities offered.
102. Community swimming pool
103. 
104. What we have is a tremendous asset to our community. Keep up the good work.
105. It's already great so some "tweaks" will enhance what is already a darn nice facility and programs!

We're lucky to have this in a community our size.

- 106. Water Aerobics would benefit our population. I know pools are expensive so maybe you could partner with the hotels to offer those classes?
- 107. Mark was so helpful!
- 108. Love this place! Great updates fitness center!
- 109. Love the weight room and fitness center
- 110. No
- 111. I love having this beautiful community center to come to
- 112. The Community Center and staff are awesome!
- 113. No
- 114. Continue to find more funding to improve the facilities and trails. We are lucky to have the existing community center and surrounding land. It will continue to get more and more use so reinvesting back into the property will be a tremendous asset for the community.
- 115. No
- 116. Add more pickleball courts at the Community Center specifically.
- 117. No