



ORLEANS COMMUNITY CENTER STUDY
8/25/22 MEETING

COMMUNITY CENTER PLANNING WORKSHOP PARTICIPANT PROFILE

Summary:

	Total Attendance at Sign-in:	39		Plus 8 Task Force Members; 47 total
	Total Number of Respondants:	37		
Gender	Female	25	69%	
	Male	11	31%	
Ages	Number Aged 60 and Above:	26	70%	
	Number Aged Below 60:	11	30%	
	Number Married:	32	86%	
Kids	Number without kids, HS and below:	22	59%	Some folks aged 60+ have children
	Number with kids , thru HS:	15	41%	
Residence Status	Number Full Time:	36	97%	
	Number Full Time, Seasonal:	1	3%	
	Number, 2nd home:	0	0%	
Work Status	Working (including 1 homemaker)	16	43%	Three respondents didn't answer
	Retired	18	49%	

EXERCISE 01

STICKY NOTE QUESTION #1: WHY DID YOU DECIDE TO COME THIS EVENING AND WHAT DID YOU WANT TO ACCOMPLISH?

Responses: 21 - INFORMATION GATHERING

Responses: 8 - TO GET INVOLVED IN THE PROCESS

Responses: 7 - FAMILY/YOUNG POPULATION REPRESENTATION

Responses: 1 - SENIOR REPRESENTATION

"I came to be involved in the process of developing a space my family and i can use for years to come"

"I feel a huge need for a community center and hope to contribute ideas and move the process forward"

EXERCISE 01

STICKY NOTE QUESTION #2: IS YOUR PRIORITY A MULTI-GENERATIONAL FACILITY, OR IS THERE A PARTICULAR GROUP THE COMMUNITY CENTER SHOULD FOCUS ON?

Responses: 25 - MULTI-GENERATIONAL

Responses: 9 - MULTI-GENERATIONAL WITH STRONG EMPHASIS ON YOUTH

Responses: 4 - PARTICULAR GROUP - KIDS, TWEENS, TEENS

Responses: 2 - MULTI-GENERATIONAL INCLUDING NON-ORLEANS RESIDENTS

Responses: 1 - PARTICULAR GROUPS - FAMILIES

"I believe multi-generational groups are a must!"

"I believe it should be multi-generational but young families, teens, and young children have been left out of town planning."

EXERCISE 01

STICKY NOTE QUESTION #3: WE'VE HEARD THAT THE COMMUNITY CENTER SHOULD FOCUS ON ARTS, FITNESS, AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES. WHAT ARE YOUR PRIORITIES?

Responses: 12 - SOCIAL AND FAMILY FRIENDLY

Responses: 11 - FITNESS / RECREATION

Responses: 8 - ALL THREE ARE A PRIORITY

Responses: 5 - ARTS / CULTURE

Responses: 1 - INDOOR POOL

Responses: 1 - AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS

"A blend. I don't have one preference but not everyone fits into one group and vice versa. We want all to participate."

"Family friendly social activities to attract families back to Orleans"

EXERCISE 01

STICKY NOTE QUESTION #4: WHAT NEEDS TO HAPPEN TO MAKE THIS PROJECT SUCCESSFUL?

Responses: 9 - MORE COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Responses: 8 - FUNDING/OPERATING COSTS/SHARING TOWN RESOURCES

Responses: 8 - PICK A SITE

Responses: 6 - ENSURE INCLUSIVITY OF RESIDENTS NEEDS

Responses: 2 - COMPLETE EXISTING TOWN PROJECTS

Responses: 1 - FOCUS ON CHILDREN

Responses: 1 - PERMANENT COMMITTEE

"Success comes from community involvement and a desire from the residents to make it happen."

"Continue community outreach and finding a site."

EXERCISE 01

STICKY NOTE QUESTION #5: WHAT ARE YOUR SHORT TERM VS LONG TERM GOALS FOR A COMMUNITY CENTER?

Responses: 20 - STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY BONDS/TIES TO ORLEANS

Responses: 9 - SAFE PLACE FOR KIDS

Responses: 6 - SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESS

"Short term - a fun community space. Long term - keeping the town a close-knit community."

"Safe space for multi-generational activities and would long term bring money into the town."

EXERCISE 02

PLEASE PRIORITIZE YOUR COMMUNITY CENTER PROGRAM OPTIONS

RESULTS:

FLEXIBLE MULTIPURPOSE ROOMS	308
TEEN ROOM	287
GYMNASIUM	272
CAFE / LOUNGE / SOCIAL SPACE	256
RELOCATED COUNCIL OF AGING	232
ARTS AND CRAFTS	231
GAME ROOM	225
PRE-SCHOOL / CHILDRENS PLAY ROOM	213
OPEN KITCHEN/ CLASSES	195
CARDIO AND WEIGHT MACHINES	183
SWIMMING POOL	173
PICKLEBALL COURTS	129

COMMENTS/ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES:

OUTDOOR MEETING SPACES
MUSIC SPACE
THEATER SPACE/STAGE/LECTURE HALL
DANCE SPACE
TECHNOLOGY ROOM
CHILDCARE
MAKERS SPACE
PRIVATE CLUB SPACES
SKATEBOARD PARK
CONFERENCE ROOMS

*"NO CAFE, DONT WANT TO BE COM-
PETITIVE WITH LOCAL BUSINESS"*

*"TOWN ALREADY HAS PICKLEBALL
COURTS"*

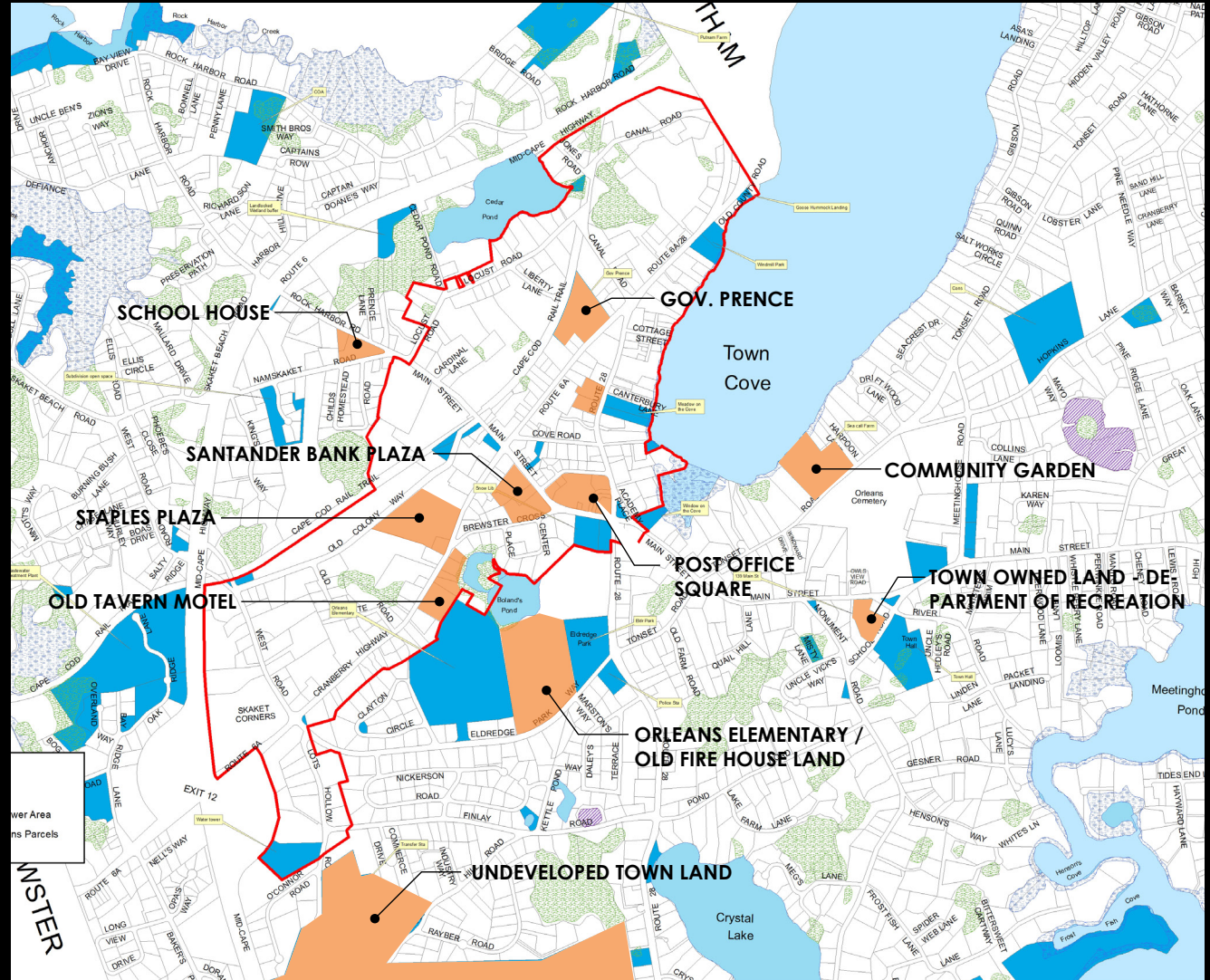
*"TWEENS ARE MORE IMPORTANT THAN
TEENS."*

EXERCISE 03

WHERE SHOULD IT BE LOCATED? MAPPING AND SITE SUGGESTION ACTIVITY

COMMENTS:

- + Proximity to schools
- + Walkability
- + Should be within sewer area
- + Make the site regional to build relationships with other towns
- + Some willing to purchase private land



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Exercise 01 - Sticky Note Question #1 Responses

#1
Why did you decide to come this evening and what did you want to accomplish?

FAMILY/YOUNG POPULATION REPRESENTATION

- 1 family with young teen children, looking for extracurricular activity/safe environment
- 2 I came to find more info and make sure parents were represented
- 3 represent the interests of younger people and families with children
- 4 came because I have two middle school children who have nothing to do in town
- 5 to be involved in the process of developing a space my family and I can use for years to come
- 6 because I have a child who doesn't have a place to meet up with friends in Orleans except the sparrow or OES
- 7 want to help promote a community center for my family and students benefit at NRMS

INFORMATION GATHERING

- 1 to learn what the population is seeking from a community center
- 2 find right level of center to meet needs of Orleans residents
- 3 I think Orleans does need a community center. I came to start my own thinking about what that would be like
- 4 better understand what the community expects in a community center
- 5 want to learn options and hear peoples views. Want to support concept of having a community center
- 6 I came to find out more about what is going on with this study and who is driving this bus. Who the prime movers are.
- 7 want to understand all the projects that are taking place that involve big construction and land needs. (community center, firehouse, library)
- 8 I want a community center in this town and want to hear what the task force has done so far.
- 9 to hear from town residents what they want
- 10 hone in on the true needs of the community
- 11 have a long standing desire for a community center in Orleans. Came for a clearer definition of the choices that are available
- 12 have felt the need for a community center for a long time
- 13 find out current thinking on community center locations, size, activities that will be accommodated
- 14 interested in hearing needs/wants of community and concerned about unbuilt critical service facilities that are being contemplated
- 15 to witness how the community process works
- 16 get info
- 17 we need a place to gather and feel a sense of community, I wanted to learn how serious we are about this
- 18 curious to see work of task force and hear input
- 19 clearer understanding of what people in Orleans are working for in community center and what people would support?
- 20 I came to learn and see the progress of the study to date. I want to understand the issues raised and responded to by this group.
- 21 as someone who grew up in Orleans, there has never been anything like a boys or girls club or safe space (homework, socialize, mentor)

TO BE INVOLVED IN THE PROCESS

- 1 to be involved with all age groups
- 2 to be involved in decision making for our community needs
- 3 want to see a community center built for all residents, could be regional like middle school to accomplish goals
- 4 we need a community center to keep our community strong in the off season, we need to support local people of all ages
- 5 I feel a huge need for a community center and hope to contribute ideas and move the process forward (don't keep studying it)
- 6 to make sure a community center gets built
- 7 I have a specific program that I want to see considered so I came to speak up (arts/culture programs)
- 8 have not engaged yet and it was time to do so. The need exists. Hoped to address the problem of no location available.

SENIOR REPRESENTATION

- 1 I want to help ensure enough space + support for seniors (senior center space)

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Exercise 01 - Sticky Note Question #2 Responses

<p>#2</p> <p>Is your priority a multi-generational facility, or is there a particular group the community center should focus on?</p>	MULTI-GENERATIONAL	
	1	multigenerational
	2	yes, absolutely a multigenerational facility!
	3	multigenerational or particular group for focus? Make for all residents regardless of age.
	4	multigenerational. Strong focus on youth
	5	multigenerational with a focus on after school/night programs
	6	multigenerational priority
	7	multigenerational facility!
	8	it should serve the whole community. So priority is multigenerational
	9	multigenerational
	10	multigenerational before BUT safe space for kids
	11	Priority for recreation and arts for all age groups
	12	multigenerational
	13	multigenerational
	14	multigenerational
	15	multigenerational
	16	multigenerational
	17	multigenerational
	18	multigenerational
	19	multigenerational
	20	multigenerational
	21	I believe multigenerational groups are a must!
	22	multigenerational, but the emphasis on one or another group to be dependent on future needs
	23	multigenerational but safe space for slower, more vulnerable citizens and safe space for active people and kids + seniors
	24	multigenerational including the COA if it is going to be underwater!
25	multigenerational - older citizens can tutor or teach classes to youth. Relationships build communities.	
MULTI-GENERATIONAL - WITH EMPHASIS ON YOUTH		
1	primary focus on teens	
2	multigenerational and tween/teen	
3	keep kids out of trouble	
4	multigenerational with a focus on kids and teens	
5	multigenerational but focused on younger kids programs	
6	multigenerational with a strong emphasis on accommodating younger families	
7	my priority is multigenerational but need to get our youth recreational programs up to speed.	
8	I believe it should be multigenerational but young families, teens, and young children have been left out of town planning	
9	multigenerational but focuses on kids & transitional age (19-25)	
MULTIGENERATIONAL - INCLUDING NON-ORLEANS RESIDENTS		
1	should be multigenerational and include all (even non-Orleans people)	
2	multigenerational including out of town people	
PARTICULAR GROUP - KIDS, TWEENS, AND TEENS		
1	elementary age/teen	
2	particular group - kids/teens	
3	children first - then multigenerational	
4	children! (people under 18 or through high school)	
PARTICULAR GROUP - FAMILIES		
1	families have been left out and we will have more of them with more affordable housing. I would like to mix with young families	

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Exercise 01 - Sticky Note Question #3 Responses

#3
We've heard that the community center should focus on arts, fitness, and social activities. What are your priorities.

SOCIAL AND FAMILY FRIENDLY

- 1 social activities, wellness/fitness, and arts
- 2 social activities that promote health and well being (exercise, lectures, arts, music)
- 3 social and arts. I struggle with fitness and feel like it should be a YMCA-esque offering
- 4 social activities, sports, fitness, social gathering place
- 5 social/athletic/fitness is a priority
- 6 social/youth activities/book groups etc
- 7 social activities, extra curricular learning and adolescent spaces
- 8 family friendly social activities, attract families back to Orleans (we have lots of art stuff)
- 9 social activities, sports, fitness
- 10 social + fitness
- 11 social and places for quiet meetings
- 12 social activities and arts

RECREATION/FITNESS

- 1 recreation, meeting social space, arts, teen hangout
- 2 fitness #1, Arts #2, Technology #3
- 3 #1 fitness classes, #2 community education classes for adults
- 4 #1 fitness, #2 social, #3 arts (all multigenerational)
- 5 fitness, art, social activities
- 6 fitness/social activities. Flexibility to change activities
- 7 #1 fitness, #2 arts, #3 social (very small difference in priority, all are important)
- 8 Open Gym/basketball, social spaces and activities
- 9 Gym, fitness
- 10 fitness and recreation
- 11 fitness spaces and arts/artist studios

ARTS/CULTURE

- 1 arts and social activities
- 2 art + recreation
- 3 arts and culture with a tie to social activities
- 4 art spaces and recreational spaces
- 5 arts with social activities

ALL THREE ARE PRIORITY

- 1 all three are equally important
- 2 all 3!
- 3 all are equally important to build meaningful relationships
- 4 a community center should stand unto its name "community" so all groups should be included
- 5 a blend; not one preference, not many people don't fit into one group and vice versa. We want all to participate
- 6 arts, fitness, social activities
- 7 arts, exercise, social events are all priorities
- 8 all three, but need flex space to accommodate needs now and change in the future

INDOOR POOL

- 1 pool, arts, social activities, fitness, coding classes, meeting rooms for clubs

AFTER SHOOOL ACTIVITIES

- 1 after school weekend activities for kids of all types (arts + fitness) and daytime adult arts + fitness

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Exercise 01 - Sticky Note Question #4 Responses

#4
What needs to happen to make this project successful?

FUNDING/OPERATING COSTS/SHARING RESOURCES WITH OTHER TOWNS

- 1 location, financing strategy, organized within other town priorities
- 2 funding, land, projections for staffing
- 3 drill down the needs, project costs, hire consultants, design/build
- 4 decide to do it!! Raise \$ and build it
- 5 built within budget
- 6 start talking about the fact that we cant afford it all. Define activity tradeoffs. We will need to make it affordable overall. No pool.
- 7 property, funding, conversations with neighboring towns on how to share resources.
- 8 what can we afford to build and when? What is the annual operating cost?

MORE COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- 1 more community outreach and an exciting design
- 2 publicize plans, provide continuous updating of progress, continue community involvement in manifestations of plans
- 3 continue community outreach and finding a site
- 4 more community involvement (inform people better), get more people involved and invested
- 5 voices of all community members, parents, staff, students, etc
- 6 success comes from community involvement and a desire for the residents to make it happen
- 7 correspondence of updates on planning progress
- 8 community input
- 9 collaboration and understanding between different generations. Continued discussion and planning with reasonable timeline

INCLUSIVITY

- 1 make it meet all the towns peoples needs and desires
- 2 don't let needs of one group override any other group
- 3 use ranked choice voting to determine citizens priorities. Or another way to get a consensus
- 4 promote these meetings to all demographics of town and young families
- 5 inclusive of all, regional, include expansion opportunity at a later date
- 6 the entire facility needs to be adaptable!!! (have most rooms accommodate multiple activities)

PICK A SITE

- 1 a site or sites
- 2 secure a parcel of sufficient size in the right location
- 3 the town has to buy the space to make this happen.
- 4 we need a location, we are not addressing the elephant in the room.
- 5 we need to agree on a good site
- 6 location needs to be purchased to move ahead
- 7 find a site that is accessible, find a funding plan that is affordable
- 8 acquire property for the project, don't go forward until there is a space. Buy a piece of property

FOCUS ON CHILDREN

- 1 the Orleans population needs to realize we need a healthy place for our children/teens to hang out. Healthy=happiness

PERMANENT COMMITTEE

- 1 form a permanent committee to keep moving forward. Sites, program development as well

COMPLETE EXISTING TOWN PROJECTS

- 1 the town has to move forward by doing what is already on the docket. We have so many unstarted projects and plans
- 2 a community center needs to be voted into the long term planning. Should not precede a new fire station

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Exercise 01 - Sticky Note Question #5 Responses

#5

What are your short term and long term goals for a community center?

STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY BONDS/TIES TO ORLEANS

- 1 Keep people in Orleans instead of going to Harwich, Chatham and elsewhere
- 2 Intergenerational contact; Pride of community in emphasizing community involvement
- 3 Sense of community, safe space for a variety of activities, a place to adapt to changing times
- 4 A place for all community members to congregate.
- 5 Short term – fun community space. Long term – keeping the town as a close-knit community.
- 6 Viability of community = engage young families
- 7 ST – meet basic needs of various stakeholder LT – Develop sense of community and ties to Orleans
- 8 Regionally it builds community both short and long term
- 9 ST – Multi-generational sense of community. LT A space for all to enjoy for a long time.
- 10 ST – Shows that we are committed to investing in the future of Orleans. LT – we reap the award of a thriving, fully functioning community center.
- 11 ST – Builds vibrancy and community, provides a draw for young families; offers in-town programming vs. driving to another town. LT – Vibrancy, community and increases house values
- 12 ST – Fills gaps on a vacant property; LT Helps to make Orleans attractive place for everyone
- 13 ST – Community focus town planning. LT - Orleans reputation as an open/inclusive community focused town .
- 14 ST – Welcoming working families into Orleans; LT - Survival of Orleans and having a year round community.
- 15 I am in the housing market and I want to move to a town with a multi-generational community center
- 16 Activities & connections to people build community
- 17 Building community: creative space where different demographics come together and interact.
- 20 ST - Making the town more livable LT – Brings more year round families to Town

SAFE PLACE FOR EVERYONE (YOUTH SPECIFICALLY)

- 1 ST – safe place for my kids to go, LT Rebuilding town in a sustainable way
- 2 ST – adds quality of life to our community; LT – healthy spot for kids to hang out, Keeps kids out of trouble
- 3 ST Safe space for kids after school providing social and emotional support; LT Support Orleans as a whole community (not silos)
- 4 ST – Adding afterschool programs meeting immediate needs of students; LT Put programs in place to help later generations.
- 5 ST – Provides safe place for recreation for all ages and provides intellectual and physical health for our residents. LT – Exactly the same Regionalize this effort! More affordable this way.
- 6 Safe place for kids; town quality of life; sense of community
- 7 ST – Safety/connection LT Pride of community, town identity, inclusivity
- 8 It will provide a safe, appropriate place for intergenerational social and fitness activities
- 9 Physical and psychological well being enhanced

SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESS/MAKE LIVING IN ORLEANS MORE AFFORDABLE FOR FAMILIES

- 1 Builds community – an inherently excellent thing; Supports our local businesses by bringing traffic into town.
- 2 ST – Safe space for multi-generational activities; LT bring money back into town
- 3 Long term would attach more families to Orleans and it would extend the reach of downtown business.
- 4 Will help bridge the huge divide between big house owners and the long time Cape residents \$ young families who can barely afford to live here.
- 5 Community-building gives more support for families, seniors, schools; pooling resources with other communities
- 6 ST make life more affordable for families. LT build community identity

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Exercise 02 - Ranked Program Priorities Survey

PROGRAM TYPE	TOTAL	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15*	16*	17*	18	19	20	21	22*	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30*	31	32*	33	34	35	36
Relocated Council on Aging	232	0	1	10	1	4	6	1	10	12	6	10	11	5	6	9	11	9	11	5	4	5	2	3	11	12	1	1	11	10	11	7	0	8	12	2	4
Pre-School / Childrens Playroom	213	8	5	6	4	6	10	10	4	4	0	8	7	7	5	5	9	7	10	4	5	10	8	9	5	3	2	2	2	8	9	5	0	7	4	5	10
Teen Room	287	9	9	3	12	10	12	9	5	11	2	5	6	9	9	11	1	10	9	10	6	9	10	10	12	2	8	11	1	9	10	11	0	6	10	11	9
Café / Lounge / Social Space	256	5	10	4	6	5	4	12	8	7	7	9	5	10	4	12	1	3	8	3	10	7	12	7	10	9	9	10	3	7	12	9	0	10	5	7	6
Gymnasium	272	12	11	1	11	12	9	0	11	3	1	7	10	12	8	11	1	1	2	11	12	4	7	12	8	1	12	12	4	12	10	12	0	5	3	12	12
Flexible Multipurpose Rooms	308	7	12	11	7	7	11	11	12	9	3	11	9	11	7	12	12	12	12	12	11	12	11	1	9	4	5	3	5	11	12	8	0	9	2	6	11
Cardio and Weight Machines	183	11	7	2	10	1	5	7	3	2	4	0	4	3	3	11	1	5	3	9	3	0	1	11	1	7	11	7	7	6	11	4	1	0	6	8	8
Swimming Pool	173	4	3	12	8	2	3	2	1	10	11	12	12	1	12	12	1	1	1	1	1	2	6	4	2	5	10	8	6	4	1	0	0	4	8	1	2
Pickle Ball Courts	129	1	2	8	0	3	8	3	2	1	10	2	3	2	2	4	1	1	7	2	2	3	3	6	3	10	3	6	12	3	1	3	0	0	7	4	1
Arts and Crafts	231	3	6	7	9	9	7	5	7	8	5	4	8	8	10	5	1	11	6	8	9	11	4	5	6	8	4	4	8	8	1	6	0	12	1	10	7
Game Room	225	10	8	9	2	11	2	6	9	6	8	3	2	4	1	10	1	8	4	6	7	6	5	8	4	6	7	9	9	5	10	10	0	4	11	9	5
Open Kitchen / Classes	195	2	4	5	3	8	1	4	6	5	9	6	1	6	11	9	1	6	5	7	8	8	9	2	7	11	6	5	10	2	1	1	0	11	9	3	3

#	OTHER/ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES
1	Skateboard Park
3	Outdoor Stage Area
	Outdoor Space
	Conference Rooms
	Community Green
	stage
	Spaces for rotating community resources to deliver services
7	Theater Space / Lecture Hall
12	Music Space
14	Meeting Rooms for Private Clubs
22	Music spaces
	dance space
	Lecture space
	club meetin spaces
23	Technology
24	childcare
29	outdoor gathering space
30	yoga, pilates, barre class
31	Makers Space
	no café. don't want to be competitive with

#	COMMENTS
22	Make daycare affordable if implemented
	Tweens are more important than teens
	Weight room machines break a lot
	Town already has pickleball courts
33	do not like the idea of directly competing with local existing fitness related businesses