

Fort Halifax Historic Park Community Recreation Interest Survey

Dear Residents,

The Master Planning Process for the Fort Halifax Park began in June. The Citizen Steering Committee, guiding this study, believes that the Fort Halifax Park will have a very positive impact on the quality of life within Halifax Township, enhancing the local as well as regional economy while expanding educational, cultural and recreational opportunities.

Members of the Steering Committee feel that it is very important to encourage our citizens to share their expectations and desires for the development of Fort Halifax Park. The following survey provides our citizens with the opportunity to share their opinions and provide information. Please complete this survey and return it to **the Halifax Township Building, Sheetz, or Giant Market. Submit completed surveys from Friday, October 23 through Monday, November 16, 2009.**

Parks are for People! Help us make a difference in our community.

Sincerely,

The Fort Halifax Park Steering Committee:

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Tom Wasson, Emory Eyster, Jim Fascinelli,
Stephen Pancoe, Lauren Bitting-Ellis, Mika Miller*

1.) My primary residence is: (Please indicate the Borough or Township where you live.)

<input type="checkbox"/> Halifax Township	<input type="checkbox"/> Reed Township
<input type="checkbox"/> Jackson Township	<input type="checkbox"/> Wayne Township
<input type="checkbox"/> Jefferson Township	<input type="checkbox"/> Halifax Borough
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

2.) Please indicate the number of people living in your household according to the following age ranges:

Under the age of 5	Ages 35 – 44
Ages 5 – 9	Ages 45 – 54
Ages 10 – 19	Ages 55 – 64
Ages 20 – 24	Ages 65 – 74
Ages 25 – 34	Over 75

3.) Which of the following age groups are in need of more recreation opportunities? (Please check all that apply.)

Under the age of 4	Ages 40 – 49
Ages 5 – 12	Ages 50 – 59
Ages 13 – 18	Ages 60 – 69
Ages 19 – 29	Ages 70 – 79
Ages 30 – 39	Over 80

Activity	Very Likely	Likely	Not Likely
Archaeological Digs			
Day Camps			
Fishing			
Boating			
Canoeing / Kayaking			
Jogging / Running			
Bird Watching			
Arts and Crafts Festivals			
Music Festivals			
Living History Festivals			
Fitness Programs			
Bicycling			
Hiking / Walking			
Mountain Biking			
Horseback Riding			
Astronomy / Stargazing			
Picnicking			
Hunting			
Archery			
Plant & Wildflower Identification			
Primitive Camping			
Community Gardens			
Bird Watching			
Sledding			
X-Country Skiing			
Other:			
Other:			

4.) Please indicate if you or any member of your household participates in or has an interest in participating the following activities: (Please check all that apply)

5.) Which factors do you consider when choosing recreation opportunities? (Please check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> Distance	<input type="checkbox"/> Parking
<input type="checkbox"/> Cost	<input type="checkbox"/> Crowds
<input type="checkbox"/> Accessibility	<input type="checkbox"/> Diverse Activities
<input type="checkbox"/> Social	<input type="checkbox"/> Educational Displays / Programs
<input type="checkbox"/> Condition of Facility	<input type="checkbox"/> Safety Features

6.) Which of the following opportunities do you value when visiting a park? (Please check all that apply)

Playground Area (ages 2 – 5)	Environmental Education
Playground Area (ages 5 – 12)	Walking/Hiking Trails
Picnic Tables	Water Activities
Picnic Pavilions	Open Space / Natural Areas
Parking Areas	Festivals/Concerts
Food Concession	Organized Events/ Activities
Restrooms	Canoe / Kayak Launch
Fishing	Bicycling

Historical Displays	Indoor Community Recreation Center
Other:	Other:
Other:	Other:

7.) Please indicate your level of satisfaction with the current events and festivals offered at Fort Halifax Park.

Event	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Not Satisfied	Did Not Attend
Fort Halifax Festival				
Archaeological Dig and Demonstration				
Historical Reenactment				
Fort Halifax Music Fest				

8.) Please indicate the number of times you or any member of your household visited the following Public Recreation Areas during the 2009 season.

Names of Parks	1 to 5 times	7 to 12 times	More than 12 times
Veterans' Memorial Park			
Halifax Recreation Park			
Deppen Park (Armstrong Creek Park)			
Fort Halifax Park			
MYO Park			
Riverfront Park			
Market Square Park			
Bram Bradenbaugh Park			
Millersburg Area Pool			
Susquehanna Water Trail			
Appalachian Trail			
Ned Smith Center			
Ibberson State Park			
Other:			
Other:			

9.) How should the public recreation programs and facilities be supported? (Check all that apply)

- Memberships
- User Fees
- Private / Corporate Donations
- Grants
- Local Tax Funds
- Facility Rental Fees
- Volunteer Time / Donated Materials
- Combination of All Of The Above

10.) How much are you willing to contribute per year in order to provide safe, quality facilities and services at the Fort Halifax Historical Park? (Please check one)

	Per Individual	Per Household
	\$3.00 per individual	\$15.00 per household
	\$5.00 per individual	\$20.00 per household
	\$10.00 per individual	\$25.00 per household
	\$15.00 per individual	\$30.00 per household
	Other:	Other:

11.) Do you support the development of Fort Halifax Park?

Yes No

12.) Should the School District be an active participant in the development and operation of the Fort Halifax Historical Park?

Yes No

13.) Do you have concerns or considerations which you want the Fort Halifax Park Master Plan Steering Committee to address?

14.) Would you consider serving as a volunteer in the Fort Halifax Park development efforts? Yes No

15.) If you wish to volunteer or share your ideas and/or comments, please provide the following information:

Name: (Optional) _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Address: _____

If you wish to contact the Fort Halifax Park Master Plan Steering Committee regarding your opinions or concerns about this project, please email to: forthalifaxpark@gmail.com

Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts with the Fort Halifax Park Master Plan Steering Committee.

Please return this completed survey between Friday, October 23 and Monday, November 16, 2009.

Drop-off locations include the Halifax Township Building, Sheetz (on Route 225), and the local Giant Market.