

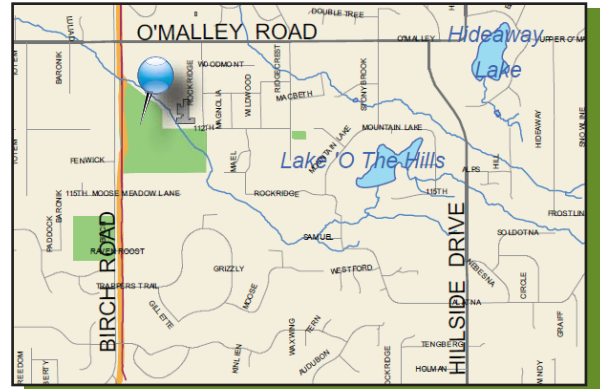


## Forsythe Park

11190 Rockridge

### Park History

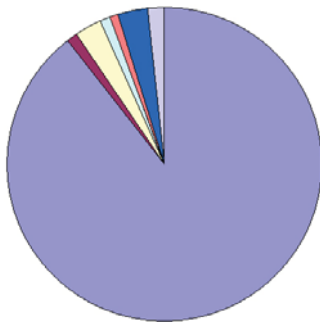
In 1975, Mr. Forsythe offered a portion of his homestead to the Municipality of Anchorage for use as a park. This property was homesteaded in the 1940's and Mr. Forsythe wished to see the property stay in its natural state. He sold the property to the city at a reduced price, so the park was named in his honor.



### Neighborhood Statistics\*

Population: 4,210  
 Percent of Population under age 19: 31.8%  
 Rate of referrals to Dept. of Juvenile Justice: Low

Ethnic Composition:



\*2010 Census Data

### Park Facilities & Equipment

- Accessible play equipment for 5-12 year olds
- Two tennis courts
- Fitness trail
- Parking lot with 12 spaces on Birch Road
- Parking lot with 6 spaces on E. 112th Avenue



### COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES:

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# REPORT CARD ON PARKS: Forsythe Park 2011

## Report Card Background

The Anchorage Parks Report Card utilized community volunteers to create a comprehensive picture of the condition of our parks, reflecting the Anchorage community's opinions, preferences and ideas. Anchorage citizens along with Anchorage Parks and Recreation staff evaluated 38 parks based on 6 different settings. Parks were surveyed based on cleanliness, safety, structure, appearance, and function. Anchorage Parks and Recreation staff will use this information to strategically employ its funding and volunteer resources to better meet the needs of the Anchorage community.

### OVERALL GRADE

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Active Recreation Areas

57

Green Spaces

52

Park Entry

63

Passive Recreation Areas

52

Pathways

N/A

Playgrounds

60

Scores were calculated on a 100 point scale

## Forsythe Park Findings

Community members reported that they would like to see the tennis courts re-surfaced or at least cleaned and re-painted. They also thought it might help stop littering on the courts if there was a trash can inside. Another thing they would like to see is for the picnic tables to be re-painted.

## Fix It List

- Replace missing tennis court net
- Add another bench
- Clean and re-paint tennis court surface
- Fix the bridge to south entrance
- Replace or re-paint bollards
- Re-paint picnic tables
- Install bear-proof trash cans



Turf areas are in need of repair



Fitness course is in poor condition

For a complete directory of Report Card results for neighborhood parks, go to [www.AnchorageParkFoundation.org/projects/reportcard.htm](http://www.AnchorageParkFoundation.org/projects/reportcard.htm)

The Anchorage Park Foundation developed the Anchorage Parks Report Card in partnership with the Epley Institute for Parks and Public Lands at Indiana University, and community volunteers, thanks to a generous grant from the Rasmuson Foundation. The APF has raised over \$18 million dollars since 2004 to improve public parks, trail and recreation areas. To make a contribution or volunteer, please visit us at: