



Tikishla Park

3018 E. 20th Avenue

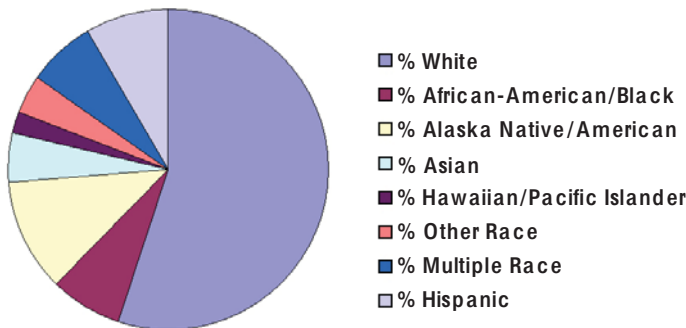
Park History

In 1973, the Airport Heights community agreed to voluntarily assess their properties in order to create a park. This was the first citizen-initiated park district petition in the history of the Municipality of Anchorage. In 1983, the Parks and Recreation Department began development of the park. A playground and hockey rink were dedicated in 1985. New boards were installed in the hockey rink this fall with help from the Scotty Gomez Foundation.

Neighborhood Statistics*

Population: 5,816
 Percent of Population under age 19: 31.2%
 Rate of referrals to Dept. of Juvenile Justice: Med.

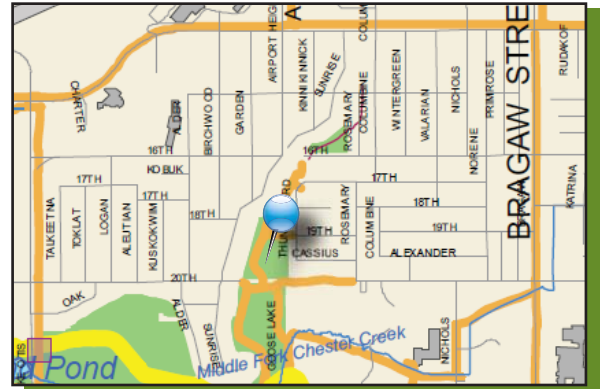
Ethnic Composition:



*2010 Census Data

Park Facilities & Equipment

- Play equipment at Davenport fields for 5-12 yr olds
- Accessible play equipment for 5—12 yr olds at E. 20th Avenue
- Multi-use trails for use for biking, cross-country skiing, skijoring and walking, links to the Chester Creek Trail
- Hockey rink
- One senior league baseball field, One t-ball field
- Two Little League baseball fields
- Parking lot with 20 spaces at the E. 20th Avenue
- Parking lot with 127 spaces at Davenport Fields



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REPORT CARD ON PARKS: Tikishla 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

41

Green Spaces

56

Park Entry

60

Passive Recreation Areas

49

Pathways

36

Playgrounds

43

Scores were calculated on a 100 point scale

Tikishla Park Findings

Community members report that the snack shack no longer serves a purpose except for a homeless shelter and should be removed. They report that the south ballfield is not being used and recommend turning into a soccer field or just green space. They appreciate the safety upgrades done Summer 2011 by YEP to remove tree roots from trails between Tikishla and Nichols Park. They would like to see the woods around the park thinned out to increase visibility.

Fix It List

- Remove southern baseball field fencing, benches, and snack shack and instead install soccer goals and soccer field
- Re-paint light poles and bollards
- 6-12 is hardly ever used and should be re-thought
- Move location of camera cable
- Remove graffiti on playgrounds and benches
- Broken bench needs to be replaced
- Entrance signs as well as signs indicating "Tikishla Park -->"
- Move one table from baseball field to open space
- Repair north dugout roof



Bollards and Light poles need maintenance



Black Spruce near playground should be thinned out

For a complete directory of Report Card results for neighborhood parks, go to www.AnchorageParkFoundation.org/projects/reportcard.htm

The Anchorage Park Foundation developed the Anchorage Parks Report Card in partnership with the Eppley 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: