

Anchorage Park Foundation 2008

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FAIRBANKS PARK

530 E. 11th Avenue

Park History

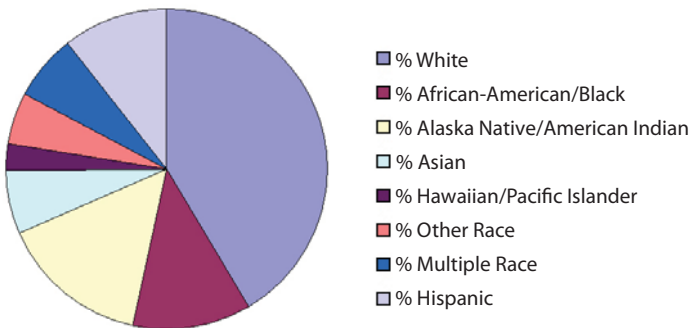
This park was established in 1922 by Federal Patent. The park was first developed in 1978 and later redeveloped in 1996 with Community Development Block Grant funds.



Neighborhood Statistics*

Population: 7,479
 Percent of Population under age 19: 26.3%
 Rate of referrals to Dept. of Juvenile Justice: Med.

Ethnic Composition:



*2000 Census Data

Park Facilities & Equipment

- .32 acres
- Play equipment for 3-5 year olds
- Play equipment for 5- 12 year olds



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Park Profile



REPORT CARD ON PARKS: FAIRBANKS PARK 2008

Report Card Background

The Anchorage Parks Report Card utilized community volunteers to create a comprehensive picture of the condition of our neighborhood parks, reflecting the Anchorage community's opinions, preferences and ideas. Almost 1,000 citizens along with APRD staff evaluated 53 neighborhood parks based on 6 different settings. Parks were surveyed based on cleanliness, safety, structure, appearance, and function. APRD 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

N/A

Green Spaces

60

Park Entry

63

Passive Recreation Areas

60

Pathways

71

Playgrounds

65

Scores were calculated on a 100 point scale

Fairbanks Park Findings

Fairbanks Park participants identified a wide variety of problems, including degraded play equipment and safety surfacing, poor maintenance practices, overgrown landscaping, graffiti, insufficient seating and a needed dog station. A recent Challenge Grant project added a fence to the perimeter of Fairbanks Park, improving safety conditions, but participants requested improvements to signs and fencing.



Users would like more frequent maintenance of planter beds

Fix It List

- Paint and repair play equipment
- Repair safety surface material in play area
- Remove graffiti on structures throughout the park
- Improve general maintenance practices, including mowing, weeding and care of landscaped areas
- Add more benches and replace trash cans
- Fill low spots and pave parking lot
- Improve entry signs and surrounding landscaping
- Establish location and install dog station



Graffiti is a problem throughout the park

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 \$15 million dollars since 2004 to improve public parks, trail and recreation areas. To make a contribution or volunteer, please visit us at: