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KIWANIS FISH CREEK PARK

3907 Turnagain Boulevard East

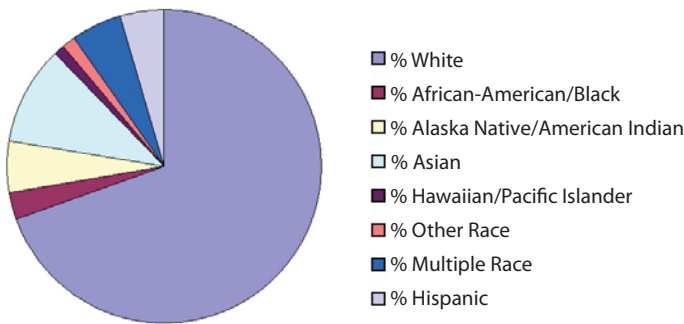
Park History

This park was the 1976 Bicentennial Project for Kiwanis Club of Anchorage. The Kiwanis Club produced engineering and architectural plans for the park, and the Parks & Recreation Department provided the recreation development plan and all recreation improvements. Construction began in 1977 and all the amenities were added in 1979. In 1998, the Kiwanis Club raised funds to replace the aging play equipment with new play equipment.

Neighborhood Statistics*

Population: 10,880
 Percent of Population under age 19: 29.1%
 Rate of referrals to Dept. of Juvenile Justice: Low

Ethnic Composition:



*2000 Census Data

Park Facilities & Equipment

- 5.91 acres
- ADA-accessible play equipment for 5-12 year olds
- Picnic shelter and tables
- Two barbecues
- Tennis courts
- Multi-use court
- Located in Fish Creek Greenbelt



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Park Profile



REPORT CARD ON PARKS: KIWANIS FISH CREEK 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

65

Green Spaces

71

Park Entry

71

Passive Recreation Areas

77

Pathways

56

Playgrounds

73

Scores were calculated on a 100 point scale

Kiwanis Fish Creek Park Findings

Report Card participants in Kiwanis Fish Creek Park wanted to see improvements made to drainage in many areas of the park, including the basketball and tennis courts and the play area. Other concerns included uneven, unsafe trail surfaces and graffiti problems.

Fix It List

- Improve drainage in play area
- Repair surface of basketball and tennis courts to improve drainage; replace hoops and nets
- Repair trail surface to improve usability
- Remove graffiti from play area and green spaces



The neighborhood is concerned about graffiti in Kiwanis Fish Creek park



The basketball court needs repairs to restore functionality

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: