

Anchorage Park Foundation 2008

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TURPIN PARK

3018 E. 20th Avenue

Park History

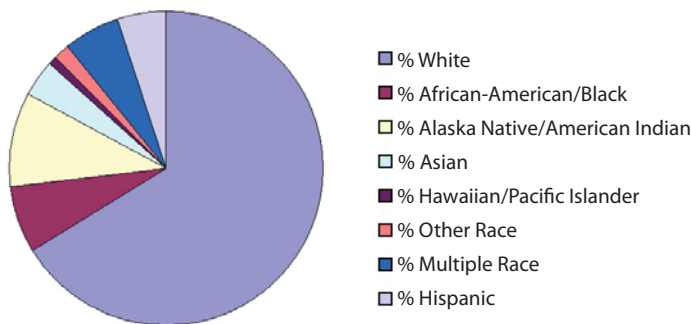
The Municipality of Anchorage purchased this property in 1983 and the Parks & Recreation Department worked with the community to develop a park plan. In 1986, Parks & Recreation added fencing and play equipment. The play equipment was refurbished in 2003.



Neighborhood Statistics*

Population: 24,262
 Percent of Population under age 19: 32.9%
 Rate of referrals to Dept. of Juvenile Justice: High

Ethnic Composition:



*2000 Census Data

Park Facilities & Equipment

- 5.0 acres
- ADA-accessible play equipment for 2-5 year olds
- ADA-accessible play equipment for 5-12 year olds
- Open play field
- On street parking

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REPORT CARD ON PARKS: TURPIN 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

79

Green Spaces

72

Park Entry

79

Passive Recreation Areas

73

Pathways

76

Playgrounds

75

Scores were calculated on a 100 point scale

Turpin Park Findings

Report Card participants noted inadequate safety surfacing in the play area, problems with the turf in ballfields and some graffiti on park amenities. Additionally, community members reported that there is evidence of people living in wooded areas of the park.

Fix It List

- Replenish play area wood chips
- Work with community to address concerns about unsafe use of the park
- Remove graffiti on playground equipment
- Repair drain and turf in ballfield
- Add informational and directional signs
- Determine location for dog station and install



The neighborhood is concerned about drainage in the ballfield



More wood chips are needed for safety cushioning in the play area

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: