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## WINDSONG PARK

1417 Carolyn Circle

### Park History

This park was acquired in 1993 through the transfer of a sedimentation pond area to the Parks & Recreation Department. The Department of Public Works continues to care for and maintain the pond. The Parks & Recreation Department worked with the Northeast Community Council to develop the area as a park. The playground area was developed in 1996 and constructed in 1998.

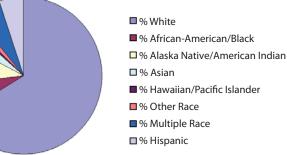
### **Neighborhood Statistics\***

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

Ethnic Composition:

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## \*2000 Census Data Park Facilities & Equipment

- 14.07 acres
- Play equipment for 2-5 year olds
- Play equipment for 5-12 year olds
- Community Adopt-a-Garden
- Sedimentation pond
- Trails
- On-street parking





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## REPORT CARD ON PARKS: WINDSONG PARK

#### **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 Active Recreation Areas Green Spaces

Green Spaces	75
Park Entry	77
Passive Recreation Areas	70
Pathways	80
Playgrounds	71

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N/A

Scores were calculated on a 100 point scale

### Windsong Park Findings

Report Card participants at Windsong Park were most concerned about poor maintenance of green spaces, insufficient trash cans and benches, trail repair needs and graffiti on play equipment and other amenities. Additionally, participants reported minor repairs needed to the playground equipment.

### Fix It List

- Clean and repaint play equipment; repair spring toy
- Clear weeds and brush on sledding hill
- Remove and replace dead and dying trees
- Reseed and fertilize bare spots in lawn areas
- Improve mowing
- Add trash cans, benches and picnic tables
- Repair soft-surface trail; add gravel and fill puddles
- Remove graffiti on play equipment and park furniture



Neighbors are concerned about the park entry appearance



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:

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