

2022-2026 Manistee County-Wide Park & Recreation Survey

Thank you for taking the time to consider this request for your participation in our survey. Participation is voluntary. You may choose not to answer certain questions, to discontinue your participation at any time or not to participate at all, without consequence. If you have any questions or concerns about this project, please contact Zach Vega (231-342-0903; zach.vega@networksnorthwest.org).

Please take the survey by clicking the link or by scanning the QR code below:



<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/K9G7HLT>

You can also print this survey and mail it to:

Networks Northwest

Attn: Zach Vega

PO Box 506

Traverse City MI 49685-0506

1. Are you a permanent resident of Manistee County? (if No, SKIP to question 3)

- Yes
- No

2. Where in Manistee County do you live? (SKIP to question 5 after answering)

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| <input type="radio"/> Arcadia Township | <input type="radio"/> City of Manistee |
| <input type="radio"/> Bear Lake Township | <input type="radio"/> Maple Grove Township |
| <input type="radio"/> Village of Bear Lake | <input type="radio"/> Marilla Township |
| <input type="radio"/> Brown Township | <input type="radio"/> Norman Township |
| <input type="radio"/> Cleon Township | <input type="radio"/> Onekama Township |
| <input type="radio"/> Village of Copemish | <input type="radio"/> Village of Onekama |
| <input type="radio"/> Dickson Township | <input type="radio"/> Pleasanton Township |
| <input type="radio"/> Village of Eastlake | <input type="radio"/> Springdale Township |
| <input type="radio"/> Charter Township of Filer | <input type="radio"/> Stronach Township |
| <input type="radio"/> Village of Kaleva | <input type="radio"/> Don't know |
| <input type="radio"/> Manistee Township | |

3. Which of the following best describes your affiliation with Manistee County? (choose all that apply)

- I work in Manistee County
- I live in Manistee County for part of the year (seasonal resident)
- I use Manistee County's recreation sites
- None of the above

4. If you are not a permanent resident of Manistee County, where do you live?

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5. Which of the following recreation activities do you participate in within Manistee County during the warm-weather months? (choose all that apply)

- Swimming/Beach Activities
- Hiking
- Camping
- Fishing
- Kayaking
- Playground/Play Equipment
- Biking
- Team Sports (indoors)
- Team Sports (outdoors)
- Walking/running
- Boating
- Hunting
- Other (please specify) _____

6. Which of the following recreational activities do you participate in within Manistee County during the winter months? (choose all that apply)

- Hiking
- Skiing (cross country)
- Skiing (downhill)
- Snowboarding
- Fat tire biking
- Ice Fishing
- Ice Skating
- Sledding
- Snowmobiling
- Walking/running
- Snowshoeing
- Team Sports (indoors)
- Hunting
- Other please (please specify) _____

7. Please rank your top five recreation activities in Manistee County with 1 being your favorite recreation activity.

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|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Swimming/Beach Activities ____ | Hunting ____ |
| Hiking ____ | Skiing (cross country) ____ |
| Camping ____ | Skiing (downhill) ____ |
| Fishing ____ | Snowboarding ____ |
| Kayaking ____ | Fat tire biking ____ |
| Playground/Play Equipment ____ | Ice Fishing ____ |
| Biking ____ | Ice Skating ____ |
| Team Sports (indoors) ____ | Sledding ____ |
| Team Sports (outdoors) ____ | Snowmobiling ____ |
| Walking/running ____ | Snowshoeing ____ |
| Boating ____ | |

8. Where do you go in Manistee County to recreate? (choose all that apply)

- Parks/Schools/Fields (ball & soccer)
- Beaches & Lake Michigan
- Public Land (e.g. state forests)
- Interior Lakes
- Rivers
- I do not recreate in Manistee County
- Other (please specify) _____

9. Please specify which recreation sites you enjoy visiting in Manistee County.

10. How do you access recreation sites in Manistee County, most of the time?

- Walk/run
- Bicycle
- Public Transportation
- Personal Vehicle
- Other (please specify) _____

11. How often do you visit a public park, beach, trail or other recreation site in Manistee County?

- Never
- Once a month
- A few times a month
- About once a week
- A few times a week
- Every day

12. What types of barriers prevent you from participating in recreation within Manistee County? (choose all that apply)

- Lack of park/recreation features I'm interested in
- Safety concerns
- Disability (accessibility barriers)
- Lack of transportation to recreation site(s)
- Other (please specify) _____
- There are no barriers preventing me from participating in recreation within Manistee County.

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For questions 13-16 please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with the statement.

13. Manistee County should make it a priority to preserve natural areas and water access.

- Strongly agree
- Somewhat agree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

14. Parks in Manistee County are well-maintained.

- Strongly agree
- Somewhat agree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

15. Parks in Manistee County offer amenities that appeal to my recreation interests.

- Strongly agree
- Somewhat agree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

16. Manistee County residents and visitors would benefit from additional non-motorized trail connections.

- Strongly agree
- Somewhat agree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

17. What programs or recreation amenities do not currently exist in Manistee County that you would like to see implemented?

18. Which recreation funding methods do you support for parks and recreation in Manistee County? (choose all that apply)

- Donations
- Grants
- Re-appropriation of existing taxpayer funds
- Millage to fund site improvements
- None of the above

19. Do you have access to a personal vehicle?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

20. How many children under the age of 18 live in your household?

- 0
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4+

21. What is your age?

- Under 18
- 18-24
- 25-44
- 45-64
- 65+

22. Are you or is any member of your household of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish descent?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

23. What race(s) are represented by the people who live in your household (choose all that apply)

- Asian
- American Indian/Alaska Native
- Black/African American
- Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander
- White/Caucasian
- Other

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24. What is your yearly household income?

- Less than \$20,000
- \$20,000 - \$34,999
- \$35,000 - \$49,999
- \$50,000 - \$74,999
- \$75,000 - \$99,999
- \$100,000 +
- Don't know

25. What is the highest grade of school or year of college you have completed?

- Less than high school (Grade 11 or less)
- High school diploma (including GED)
- Some college
- Associate's degree (2 year) or specialized technical training
- Bachelor's degree
- Some graduate training
- Graduate or professional degree
- Don't know

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