

3. VISION

GOALS / VISION

The vision for Grass Valley's park and recreation system emerged from the Master Plan community involvement process and forms the basis for the Master Plan recommendations. Parks, recreation programs and facilities, open space, and trails are essential elements in enhancing the quality of life in Grass Valley. They foster health, active lifestyles, strengthen a sense of community, protect the environment, contribute to a healthy economy, and prevent crime. The goal of the City of Grass Valley is to provide an interconnected parks and recreation system that:

- Provides diverse opportunities for active, passive, and unprogrammed recreation to all residents;
- Provides significant acreage with level surface areas for athletic fields;
- Brings park facilities up to ADA standards for accessibility;
- Addresses the increased demand for parks and recreation facilities;
- Explores ways to generate revenue to support park facilities and programs;
- Ensures adequate funding, staffing, and maintenance for park facilities and programs;
- Develops a safe and integrated trail system for bikes and pedestrians;
- Establishes design standards for future parks, trails and open space;
- Provides sufficient facilities and programs to meet the needs of Grass Valley's growing population;
- Ensures an equitable distribution of recreation resources throughout the Planning Area;
- Builds and maintain partnerships with schools and non-profit organizations to optimize funding and facility resources and to improve recreational opportunities; and
- Provides for effective and economically sound management of public resources.