



# Preserves Management Plan Public Input Summary February 2024

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### I. Background

The City of Tempe is embarking on a Preserves Management Plan to design future cultural, educational and recreational opportunities at Hayden Butte and Papago Preserves. The plan will document and evaluate existing conditions and develop recommendations for how to better think about, interact and ultimately care for and manage these special areas. Feedback was sought to help guide the long-term management and preservation of Tempe’s desert park and preserve habitats. This second round of outreach aims to narrow in on the feedback received from the community in November 2023.

Two public meetings were held for the Preserves Management Plan on January 31, 2024:

- From 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. on Zoom with 35 participants
- From 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Tempe Transportation Center, 200 E. Fifth Street with 10 participants

Additionally, a survey was available online at [tempe.gov/Forum](https://tempe.gov/Forum) from Jan. 31 through Feb. 14, 2024. This survey received a total of 384 visitors and 226 responses.

### II. Outreach

Several methods were used to provide information to the public and stakeholders regarding the project, meeting and opportunities for input.

### Direct Mailer

A direct mailer was sent to residents near Papago Preserve and Hayden Butte. The boundaries were the northern city limit, University Drive to the south, College Avenue to the east, and Farmer Avenue to the west. The direct mailer included a brief overview of the project and details on how to attend the public meeting and provide comments.

### Yard Signs

Yard signs with meeting and comment information were placed around Papago Preserve, Hayden Butte, and North Tempe Parks.

### Media Hits

- [Tempe Independent](#)
- [Tempe Independent](#)

### Emails

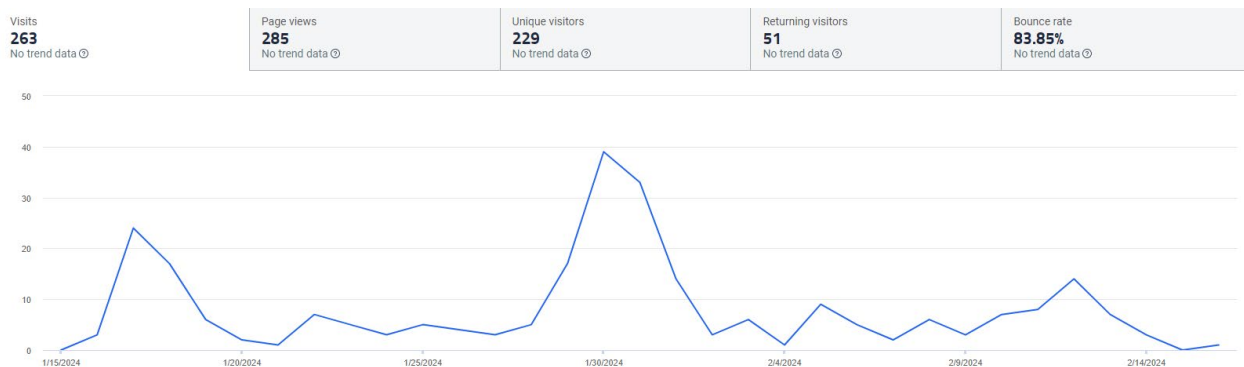
A notification email was sent to Tempe Forum subscribers, neighborhood contacts, relevant Boards and Commissions and previous participants in relevant project outreach inviting them to attend the meeting or to comment online.

### Project Webpage

The project [web page](#) was updated continuously and included information about the project, the date and access information for the public meeting and online comment information. From Jan. 15 - Feb. 16, the website had 285 views.

### Top Sources:

- Direct
- Instagram
- Tempe Forum
- Mailchimp
- Spikes:
  - Public input announcement on 1/17 and Meeting reminder on 1/30



## Social Media, Eblasts and Press Release



### City of Tempe Page

1/17/24 - [Public outreach announcement](#)

- Reach: 1,650 | Engagements: 123 | Link clicks: 100

1/29/24 - [Meeting reminder](#)

- Reach: 1,684 | Engagements: 125 | Link clicks: 108

2/10/24 - [Survey reminder](#)

- Reach: 1,414 | Engagements: 89 | Link clicks: 65

### Tempe Parks & Rec Page

2/13/24 - [Public outreach announcement](#)

- Shared post - insights not available



1/17/24 - [Public outreach announcement](#)

- Impressions: 663 | Engagements: 15 | Link clicks: 7

1/29/24 - [Meeting reminder](#)

- Impressions: 536 | Engagements: 10 | Link clicks: 5

2/12/24 - [Survey reminder](#)

- Impressions: 514 | Engagements: 11 | Link clicks: 3



1/17/24 - Instagram post - [Public input announcement](#)

- Reach: 1,675 | Engagements: 110 | Link clicks: 4

1/29/24 - Instagram story - Meeting reminder

- Reach: 474 | Engagements: 8 | Link clicks: 4

2/10/24 - Instagram post - [Survey reminder](#)

- Reach: 1,223 | Engagements: 91 | Link clicks: 9



1/17/24 - Public input announcement

- Impressions: N/A | Engagements: 7

1/29/24 - Meeting reminder

- Impressions: 1,137 | Engagements: 0

2/9/24 - Survey reminder

- Impressions: 3,628 | Engagements: 12



1/17/24 - Public outreach announcement

- 6,176 emails sent, 36.2% open rate, 1.3% click rate, 44 clicks on link

1/22/24 - Tempe This Week

- 8,834 emails sent, 37% open rate, 10.7% click rate, 15 clicks on link

1/29/24 - Tempe This Week

- 8,841 emails sent, 37.6% open rate, 8.6 % click rate, 11 clicks on link

1/30/24 - Public meeting reminder

- 6,165 emails sent, 35% open rate, 1.7% click rate, 73 clicks on link

2/10/24 - Survey reminder

- 6,260 emails sent, 34.5% open rate, 4.9% click rate, 145 clicks on link

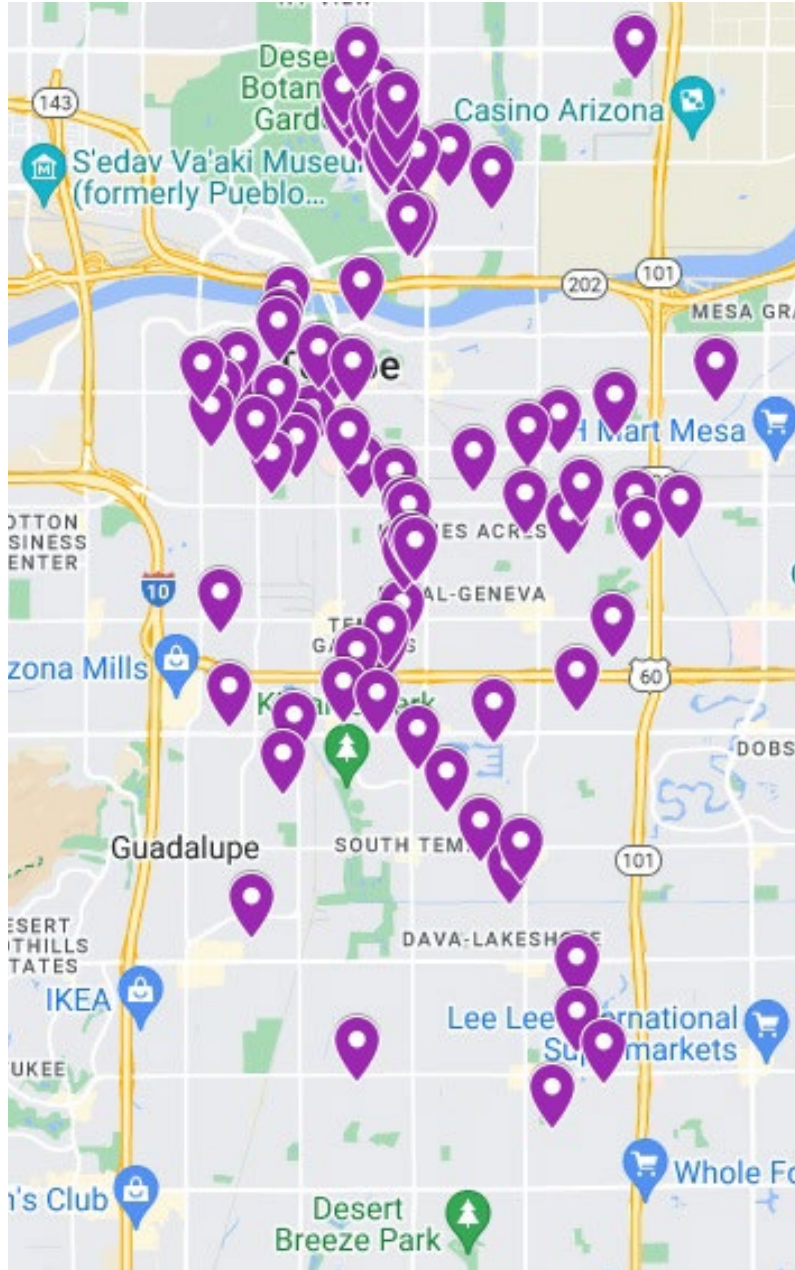
2/12/24 - Tempe This Week

- 8,855 emails sent, 36.6% open rate, 9.5% click rate, 17 clicks on link

### III. Survey Results

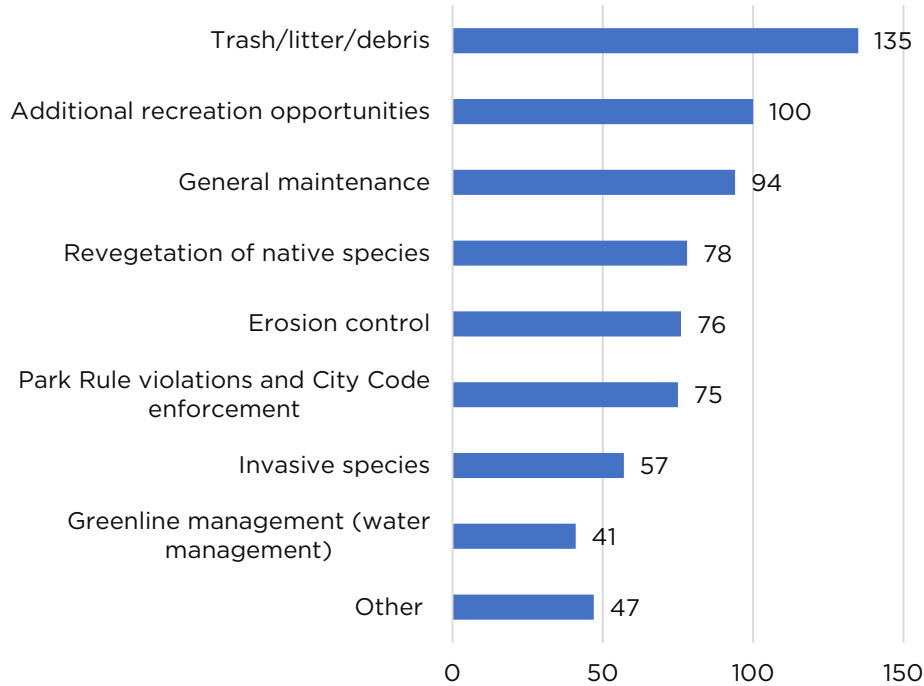
The survey was available online at [tempe.gov/Forum](http://tempe.gov/Forum) from Jan. 31 through Feb. 14, 2024 to gather input for the Preserves Management Plan.

116 respondents provided an address with approximately 72% in Tempe.



## Hayden Butte Preserve

1. What are you most concerned with regarding preservation and conservation of the Preserves? Select all that apply.



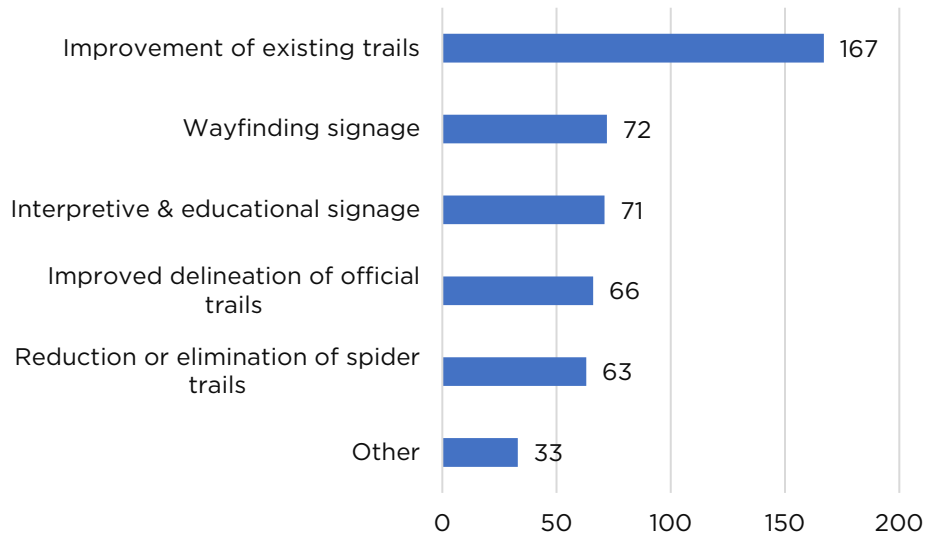
Responses: 221

### Other Comments:

- Activities regulation
- Adapt to how people are using the park for recreation with limitations.
- ALLOW BIKES
- Being able to view the Butte from a distance without infrastructure (bldgs, etc) in the way of visual sight.
- Being developed by corporations
- Continuing the existing recreational opportunities provided by the Papago jumps.
- dedicated walking, running routes or dedicated bike routes to give walker more space
- Educational opportunities, signage, trail maintenance, accessibility
- Encroachment by dense housing
- Give community to the bike jumps, make official sanctioned area.
- graffiti on the Butte is an ongoing problem.
- Grafitti
- Having an area for outdoor recreation like hiking, biking, and walking.
- Homeless camps
- Homeless camps and drug use. Needle exchange leads to needles being discarded in the preserve. It should be stopped.

- Homeless in the park and safety
- Homeless people living and doing drugs particularly in tunnel under curry rd.
- Homeless setting up residence in preserve
- Human contact
- I am an active user of Papago Park currently and value it for what it is!  
There is no need to sanitize existing trails, as the park currently has plenty of options for all user abilities.
- I don't know much about Hayden Butte but I think this is where my dad took us to look at some Hohokam petroglyphs and that was cool.
- I want more mtb jumps
- Keep bike jumps there
- Keep it recreational with trails
- Keep Papago dirt jumps
- Keeping the bike track
- Keeping the jumps
- Large amount of homeless. I don't feel safe.
- Less fishing line - more care and consideration for ducks
- Maintaining mountain bike trails
- My concerns are mainly about the preservation of the bmx/mtn bike jumps.
- Need better enforcement of vehicles along Tempe Town Lake and in the preserves
- None
- open spaces leave them open
- Over management
- Overdevelopment
- Pago Park could use some maps with clear direction to trail heads, trails and locations.
- People inhabiting these areas
- Please keep the bike jumps. It's a huge beacon for the community and provides a healthy and drug free outlet for folks looking for more than just typical trails around town while uniting generations of the bike community in Tempe with love and inclusion.
- Preservation of existing cycling features
- Preservation of trail systems.
- Recreation Access for Rock Climbing and Mountain Biking
- Remove homeless
- Restrooms
- That absolutely NO BUILDINGS be erected on the property! Should be completely natural plants.
- Worried about development

2. If the City makes improvements to the trails, what would you like to see?  
Select all that apply.



Responses: 216

Other Comments:

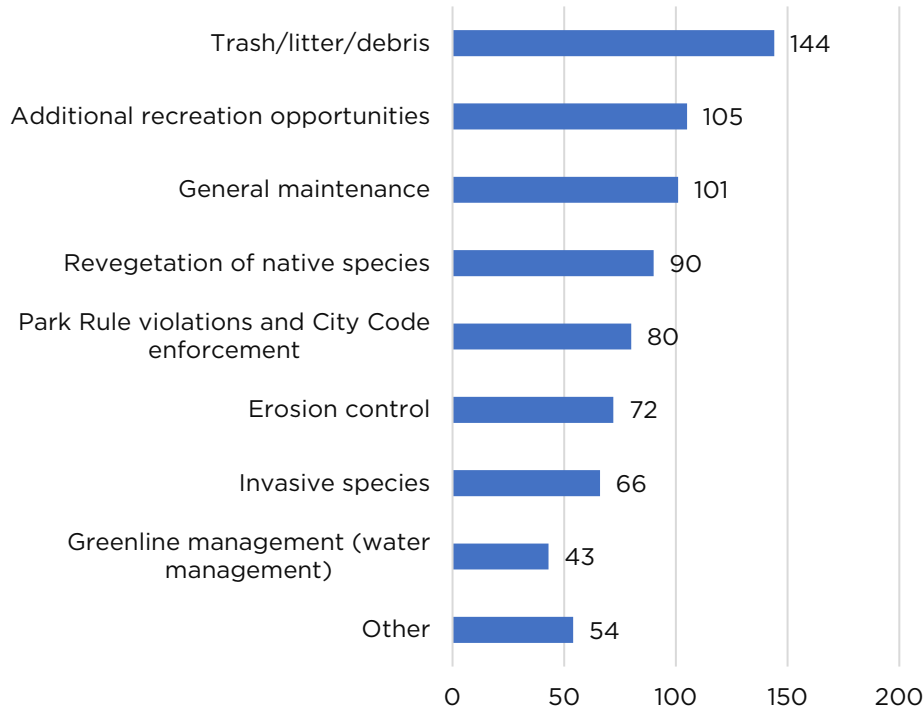
- Add pump track. Make jump park official. Ban Surons and other electric motorcycles.
- Additional trails for bicycles
- Bicycle jump area, it helps keep the kids and young adults out of trouble.
- Develop jump skills area
- Do not create more unnatural trails (I.e. the 5k trail),
- I am an active user of Papago Park currently and value it for what it is! There is no need to sanitize existing trails, as the park currently has plenty of options for all user abilities.
- I think there are more impmt things to take care of than the trails
- Improving the bmx/mtn bike jumps. Let the trail builders keep improving the exisiting jumps, and create new jumps for everyone to enjoy.
- Keep the free ride area. Kids and riders of all ages need opportunities to progress.
- Leave the dirt jumps intact.
- Leave the existing trails as is. Many, many, many people enjoy them just the way they are.
- Leave them alone
- Maintain existing features such as jumps. Papago has the only beginner friendly mountain biking features in the valley.
- Making trails more accessible for walking, hiking, and biking, especially for youths and older persons.
- Maps for visitors.
- Maybe more gym like equipment that can handle outdoors and more kid friendly
- More bike jump trails like hawes
- More bike trails



- More natural ways to solve problems
- No changes, leave it natural!
- NO new or improved trails or signage except small to name plants--keep it natural
- on the upper part make the steps more consistent
- Papago in current condition is fine and no additional money should be spent except to discourage homeless living in park. Also do not lease out land for golf courses or other special interest groups.
- Please adopt the MTB/BMX dirt jump area
- Please don't pave or add concrete like was done a few years back.
- Please keep the bike jumps
- Please keep the bike jumps. It's a huge beacon for the community and provides a healthy and drug free outlet for folks looking for more than just typical trails around town while uniting generations of the bike community in Tempe with love and inclusion.
- Provide adequate access, tools and man power to create a public bike park at jumps
- small nuggets of history on signs along the trail ... also viewpoints telling what we see
- Support local recreation
- The trails are fine. Just keep them free of glass and needles.
- Trash cans for dog waste (too many people leave it)
- Water access and lights!

## Papago Preserve

### 3. What are you most concerned with regarding preservation and conservation of the Preserves? Select all that apply.



Responses: 241

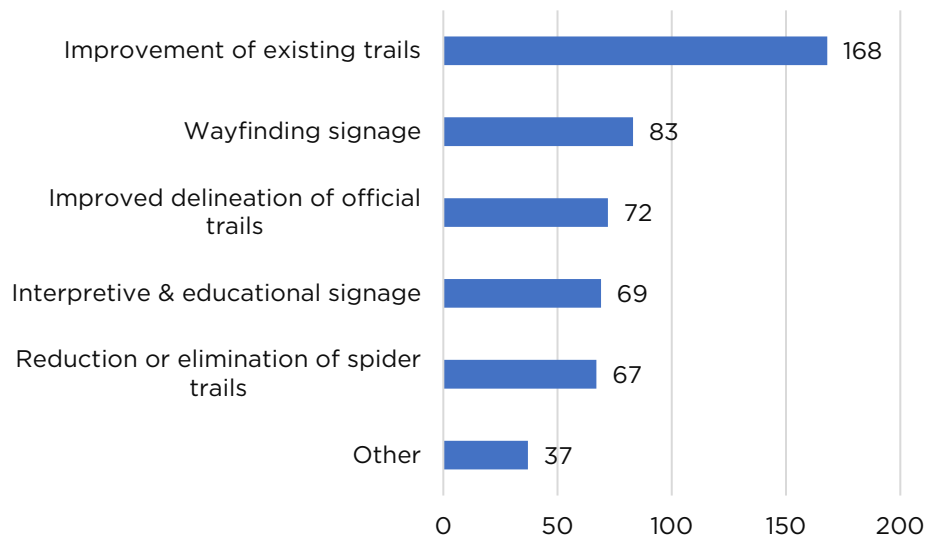
#### Other Comments:

- Afraid of Tempe' constant need to build and change everything
- ALLOW BIKES
- Allowing respectful use of the land for rock climbing
- Being developed by corporations
- City allowing development to encroach.
- Continue to allow the Papago mountain bike jumps to continue to exist to positively impact the local mountain bike community
- Continuing the existing recreational opportunities provided by the Papago jumps.
- Educational opportunities, signage not just for trail way finding but also for preserve regulations, trail maintenance, orbit accessibility
- Encroachment by dense housing
- Enforce no camping and specifically hanging out in tunnel under curry rd which is a drug den and danger to those who use tunnel
- Get homeless out of the tunnels and park.
- Homeless camps
- Homeless camps, illegal fires, trash.
- Homeless in the park is a major issue for local residents.

- Homeless making residence
- Homelessness and drug use
- I am an active user of Papago Park currently and value it for what it is! There is no need to sanitize existing trails, as the park currently has plenty of options for all user abilities.
- I am concerned with potential sanitization of existing trails. The trails themselves are fine and should not be smoothed out or have features removed.
- I hate seeing trash here. I don't what invasive species are a problem at Pap but if they're killing native plants than they should go.
- illegal use of the park and canal, drugs and overnight encampments not in established camp areas.
- In addition to removal of trash, it's essential that the park remain free of camping and transients. I understand that most of these encampments are homeless folks, which is tragic, but the drug use, theft, trash and other issues associated are harmful.
- Keep all existing trails
- Keep it recreational with trails
- keep open spaces open
- Keep Papago dirt jumps
- keeping the biking, hiking, and walking trails since they offer a great deal of recreation for all ages.
- Keeping the jumps
- Large amount of homeless. I don't feel safe.
- Less fishing line - more care and consideration for ducks
- More jumps please
- More parking spots. During nice weather, it is hard to find a parking spot
- Mountain bike trails need more beginner/intermediate jumps.
- No large infrastructure to get in the way of visual enjoyment
- None
- Over management
- Please keep the bike jumps
- Please keep the bike jumps. It's a huge beacon for the community and provides a healthy and drug free outlet for folks looking for more than just typical trails around town while uniting generations of the bike community in Tempe with love and inclusion.
- Preservation and total adoption of the jump park
- Preservation of existing trail systems
- Preserve natural spaces but keep mountain jump area
- Preserve Rock Climbing
- Preserve the bmx/mtn bike jumps for future generations to enjoy
- protection of the land from unpermitted uses, installations, and movement of soil
- Reduce urban camping and gathering of people/trash in the tunnel under curry road.
- respecting interests of local Tribal communities
- Safety and homeless camping

- Safety for users
- signs pointing out views and what we can see ... and historical events at a given location (e.g., prisoner of war camp)
- The city needs to get better at keeping the homeless out of papago park
- The continuation and legitimization of the dirt jumps. These jumps have been a staple of the community for years. Other cities would spend hundreds of thousands of dollars to have a park like this. Tempe if fortunate enough to have this for free.
- The dirt jumps at Papago are my biggest concern. I spend most of my time there, and I'd love to see them improved
- The Jumps/Skills park that is rider maintained and monitored. We have put a lot of hard work to clean that area up and make it something special for the mountain biking community and spectators to enjoy!
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- Very concerned the DECADES of hard work at Bike jumps will be destroyed if city doesnt adopt it to be official bike park

**4. If the City makes improvements to the trails, what would you like to see?  
Select all that apply.**



Responses: 216

**Other comments:**

- ALLOW BIKES KEEP TRAILS CLEAN
- Continue to allow rock climbing
- Getting approved for access to bring dirt onto the bike park
- Grant access to make bike jumps city sanctioned bike park and supply adequate supplies

- I love riding my mountain bike at Papago. Please keep the trails and especially the dirt jumps, they're rad and one of the best places to learn to hit jumps and drops and stuff.
- I think there are more important things to take care of than the trails
- I'd like to see some clean dirt trucked in and have the jumps cleaned up and refined. I'd also like to see a spot to put tools to maintain the jumps.
- Improvement to trails should include the preservation of mountain bike, please don't make everything into a sidewalk
- It needs to be rough and natural or it isn't a very good job at keeping natural areas
- Keep maintaining the jumps so riders of all ages and skill levels can continue to progress
- Keep Papago dirt jumps
- Leave the jump area by the back of the Zoo alone. It's a small area, been there for decades and provides riders what they want while being centrally located.
- Leave them alone
- Let the trail builders do what they do best, building sweet jumps.
- Let them build!
- Maintain existing trails, especially mountain bike trails used today with jump obstacles
- Maintain the existing trails for all user bases.
- Maps at trail heads.
- more access for older and younger people who enjoy outdoor recreation like walking, hiking and biking.
- More detailed signage for trails that state distance, elevation gains etc / More MTB specific trails that are properly marked so as not to confuse anyone about their designated uses
- More jump lines
- More jumps! My kids love it
- More mountain bike jumps
- More single track trails. Pump track.
- No changes, leave it natural!
- No need to do anything except police homelessness and drug use in park
- Please keep the bike jumps. It's a huge beacon for the community and provides a healthy and drug free outlet for folks looking for more than just typical trails around town while uniting generations of the bike community in Tempe with love and inclusion.
- Preservation and total adoption of the jump park
- Preserve natural space but keep mountain jump area
- QR codes on directional signage so visitors can find their way on Trailforks, AllTrails, or Tempe.gov
- Remove rocks and sand from trails making better for mountain biking.
- Revegetation of Native plants near official trails. Continued access to Mountain Bike friendly trails.
- The park is special for what it currently is. There is no need to eliminate existing features or to sanitize existing trails or features.

- The trails are fine. Just keep them free of glass and needles.
- There are some fantastic trails in the park. From the mountain biking and hiking trails, rock climbing access and the dirt jumps, I would love to see these maintained and improved. Great recreational opportunity for the city.
- Trash picked up regularly

## Both Preserves

### 5. What educational or recreational opportunities that don't currently exist would you recommend?

1. 1- create youth programs a bit like National Park Junior ranger programs. Such a program could focus on indigenous species, proper way to use parks, etc. 2- partner with programs such as BSA scouts that aim at maintaining resources while enjoying them. 3- create programs with schools (public, private or homeschools) to make sure that all children get a chance to learn about public parks and preserves, especially hiking and trail orientation.
2. A Bicycle Pump Track. This would be a great addition to an area that is already growing for off road bicyclists. I think you could create some fun educational opportunities with a pump track suitable for beginner cyclists and for a growing cycling community. Something similar to what they did in Mesa at Desert Trails Bike Park. I think putting a heavy emphasis on educating on the proper way to use a trail and be a good steward as an off-road cyclist would be necessary. I love mountain biking but I also see how much damage it can do if riders do not learn how to be good stewards of the land when they bike. Outdoor Educational Areas for Scouts (and other user groups). This would be a great place for Scouts to learn outdoor skills and beginning camping. Similar to how the Gilbert Riparian Preserve has camping areas open to specific user groups. Partners on this could be REI, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, ASU Outdoor Clubs, other outdoor educators. There are plenty of opportunities for tourism here connecting the Tempe Town Lake, Papago Park (Tempe) and Papago Park Phoenix. Mountain Biking, hiking, etc. I think this preserve doesn't get as much traffic due to it being difficult to navigate (with little signage for tourists), often sketchy in the tunnel underpass connecting the park, and often filled with unpermitted campers.
3. A bike trail separate from the hiking trails
4. An interpretive area that is well signed.
5. Ancient life of the native people, how the preserve was formed Geologically, more modern time's history.
6. anyway to extend the trails?
7. Basic awareness of the proper usage..stewardship.
8. Bike park, pump track
9. Climbing and more mountain biking
10. Designated interpretive trails/loops.
11. educational signage included with wayfinding signage. No other recreational opportunities should be added as it is a preserve and should be maintained as best as possible in the natural state.
12. Geology information could be provided on signs.
13. Getting kids outdoors and trying new sports - specifically rock climbing
14. Guide interpretive walks and hikes; Citizen science; School field trips
15. Guides to the historical sites. Pump track.

16. Historical signage and/or markers regarding significant past events, cultural and local history.
17. History about the park, why it was formed, and the public/private partnerships needed to maintain
18. I am a frequent user of the park (3-5 times weekly). I mountain bike there with my family. I would like to see the integrity of the trails natural features retained -- no sanitization to smooth trails or remove natural features. More signage.
19. I do not know.
20. I don't know what currently exists.
21. I have been enjoying the entire area on foot and by bike for over 20 years. I feel as though maintenance and adoption of the current system is all that is needed.
22. I help my dad work on trails throughout the state. Love learning about how to build proper jumps, manage water and erosion and stuff. I think Papago could offer that to lots of kids like me. Also, some signs about petroglyphs and plants and stuff are always cool. We went to the arboretum out by Superior and that was cool.
23. I would like to recommend that at least once per month a volunteer would provide educational information about the preserves. A table with printed information can be set up soon after the entrance to the preserve, and the volunteer would give a short talk about the preserve being visited. A day per month can be designated for schools to visit the preserves.
24. I would like to see the city, put more time and effort into promoting the dirt jump scene within the community
25. I would like to see the jump area supported and protected by the parks. This is one of very few jumps areas in the valley. It is used by Adults, families and children and it is a safe environment for riders to improve skills. Support from the City in the form of water station could help maintain the jumps in good condition. Other parks around the valley are putting in pump tracks, but this area is unique.
26. I would recommend a thoughtful and sustainable plan for expanding the hiking and mountain biking trails in the Preserves.
27. I would use Papago more if there were more mountain trails. It is in such a prime location but is underutilized. It has the possibility of being an outdoor destination.
28. Inclusive, well rounded trails
29. Information not only on native plants and animals, but also on the importance of the desert crust, and the importance of staying on the trail.
30. Information on climbing / mountain biking trails
31. Interpretive information about invasive species, erosion control, native vegetation restoration.
32. Interpretive signage improvements/upgrades/replacement for archaeological resources and the desert environment
33. Interpretive trails?
34. It just needs to be maintained and the trash taken care of and the people who aren't there to use the space for it's purpose not allowed there.
35. Keep and maintain the Dirt Jumps near Evelyn Hallam Park. This is the only place in the city to do this activity and is in a great location.



36. Keep existing trails and jumps. It gets youth outdoors and active instead of inside or causing trouble in the community. It gives people something to work on and be proud of.
37. Keep the dirt jumps
38. Maintain current uses for recreation. Given the long history of recreational use and central location to Tempe and Salt River there are plenty of uses and opportunities
39. Make official trailheads and have groups at the entrance educate visitors on the historical significance of the land, the plants, and how to properly respect a Preserve. Please no pickle ball, tennis, or allowing groups to camp in the Preserve. There is a large cycling, mountain biking community. Please put in a proper, and fully funded bike park similar to Flagstaff, Sedona, and other cities. support the activities that have been there for over 30 years (mountain biking, and rock climbing) Please also understand that groups such as these are stewards of the land and care about these wild spaces.
40. Maybe toddler activities with park rangers would be fun. I'm not familiar if any exist yet but my kids are at an age where they are starting to be interested in nature!
41. Mindfulness/meditation , more activities for kids
42. Mnt bike / bmx park , jumps
43. Monthly guided hikes during cooler months
44. More beginner jump lines for people experiencing mountain biking for the first time
45. More flowy narrow trails that are fun for runners and bikes
46. More information on Four Tribes connection to these landscape features. Reinforce through educational signage that even though ASU has "tagged" the butte with its own "A", everyone 'else' should recognize that tagging and graffiti dishonors the existing historic petroglyphs.
47. More jumps! Skills park for bikes geared at beginner riders through advanced for safe skill progression on the bicycle
48. More mountain bike only trails. Hiking trails marked for them only.
49. More mountain biking trails.
50. More mountain biking!
51. More signage and explanation of the area, natural environment and features unique to Papago
52. More signage regarding local plants, noted geographical interests, and signs that encourage walking, hiking, and biking.
53. More signs that educate people not to feed ducks bread as it is bad for their digestive system as well as signs stating you must throw away all fishing line as ducks and other animals can become tangled up in it.
54. More technical mountain bike trails
55. Mountain bike jumping stuff
56. Mountain Bike skills park like Mesa, Sedona and flagstaff have. it is very cheap to make.
57. Mountain bikes skills course, pump track, and more jump lines.
58. Mountain bike skills area
59. Mt bike trails should be kept.
60. MTB skills clinics
61. N/A

- 62. n/a
- 63. n/a
- 64. n/a
- 65. Native/Indigenous History about the land. Rock climbing!!
- 66. Nature walks at sunset Kids bike meetups increase the desert landscape w help from botanic garden or landscappers
- 67. No
- 68. None
- 69. None
- 70. None
- 71. None
- 72. NONE! Tempe is over built with high rises, buildings, controlled parks, and public transportation. We have completely lost the feel of a cozy and natural City surrounded by big Cities. Do we have to be just like all the other Cities? Do we have to be a work/party City where no one wants to live? What is wrong with being a tranquil open area where the stars can be seen at night? Citizens of the large surrounding Cities would flock to us if we were not just another ugly crowded City. Let other cities have all the buildings, noise, and expense. The more you build, the more it costs to maintain. And when we have every inch built upon, what then? I'll tell you, the remaining few home owners will have the burden to keep it all for the neighboring Cities to work/recreate in while those patrons go home to the other Cities for peace, convenience and ease of travel around their homes. Those people will move on to other places and leave us a old over-built mess. Where is our peace and ease? Tempe is ruined now. Buy back land and open up Tempe again to nature, urban farming, quiet, and the ability to see the stars at night.
- 73. None, the park is best left as is. It does not need baseball diamonds, more golf, or anything else.
- 74. None. Keep it the way it is.
- 75. None. Park is fine except blemish of homeless camps and drug use. Tunnel under curry rd is dangerous to use because it is a drug den.
- 76. Not sure
- 77. official bike park of papago. Protected and city supplies tools, water, upkeep.
- 78. outdoor yoga classes
- 79. Pickle ball and Tennis;
- 80. Pickle ball courts
- 81. Proper bike trail , course, area
- 82. Pumptrack
- 83. Rangers and ranger led educational and experiential excursions
- 84. Recreational opportunities: Rock Climbing, Route building, Route Preservation, and Educational materials about preservation of nature in climbing and recreational spaces.
- 85. Rock climbing already exists in the park but would love to see it expanded, it's a newer addition to the park but one that the local climbing community is largely unaware of. Climbers are great activists for things like clean ups and we care greatly about nature and the areas that we recreate in.
- 86. Safer hiking and safer children's play area.

87. Separate bike trails and fewer
88. Signage
89. Signage and explanation of the topography and unique features of Papago
90. Signage showing the history of the preserve.
91. Signage with history
92. Signs indicating historical significance
93. Signs with historic information of the area and wildlife. Pump track in the area of the bicycle jumps.
94. So many municipalities are building and/or expanding their bike riding recreational opportunities with kills parks, pump tracks, dirt jumps, etc. Papago already has a great foundation for this I would love to see it embraced. One of the great things about the existing bike riding trails and the jump area, as well as the hiking/climbing at Papago in particular, is that they use the natural topography so well. They aren't an eyesore or out of place like a bunch of tennis courts or basketball courts would be. This is a great launching point for teaching youth how to build and maintain sustainable trails, that work with the natural landscape, and volunteer opportunities hosted by local trail advocacy groups like the Papago Trail Builders Association would be a great way to do that. I'm a father of 4. My kids love to go to Papago to ride their bikes, especially the dirt jumps. They also love to the unique rock outcroppings, the natural vegetation and the glyphs on the other side. Papago has a great opportunity to keep kids coming to ride trails, while also having a great place, within the city, for kids to see the natural and historical aspects I mentioned. Some signage to that effect would be cool.
95. some signs by trees saying what kind they are
96. Something linked more to kids and families.
97. Teaching how to grow and care for life and foods
98. The educational and recreational opportunities need to fit within the confines of these preserves. I am familiar primarily with the Papago Preserve. Due to the fact that this preserve is a natural area, I don't see where you would have yoga, camping, movies except in areas already set aside for Ramadas without destroying the natural beauty of the Preserve. I just can't envision larger areas set aside for the above activities. Hiking, stargazing, walks from DBG/Zoo to Tempe Lake, special events appear to be good activities for the Preserve. I know there is climbing and the mountain bike area that are currently in use. How, or would you, incorporate these 2 activities. They appear to be good stewards of the areas they use.
99. The materials to build a sustainable safe bike park for the public.
100. The playground at Papago Park North is not much of a playground. It doesn't even have swings right now. The playgrounds at Papago Park North or South would be good places for exercise stations: chin-up bars, dip bars, etc.
101. The signs at the archeological site near the canal in Tempe have been gone for years. I'd like to assist in replacing them if they are removed again, It's a beautiful and interesting part of the park and should be highlighted and respected.

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103. Trail guides and maps clearly posted
104. Trail signage, including maps and trail names.
105. Trails for adaptive mountain bikes.
106. Tree giveaways
107. Unknown
108. Volunteers / students who can help share history - perhaps even encourage visitors to respect land.
109. Wayfinding signage for appropriate hiking
110. We have a Bike part that we have built over the past couple years and in the summer it gets too hot to ride. It would be really nice to have lights and access to water out there.! so we can enjoy it more during the night in the summer hundreds of people love it and we would love to make it more official
111. We would like to see additional disc golf courses.
112. Would like information on history, ecology, geography/geology, botany of areas for education. Do not think the preserves need more recreational opportunities, maintain area for walking/hiking, biking and not adding infrastructure that further removes natural environment. Keep recreational opportunities in established already constructed areas.
113. Would like to see more rock climbing opportunities.
114. Would love to see signs that tell more about native species and history of the area.
115. Youth outdoor rock climbing.

**6. What recommendations do you have to promote awareness of and the sustainable and responsible use of the Preserves?**

1. A light touch. There are so few spaces like this left in the metro area; this land is a gem that should be preserved like an artifact of a bygone time, which it sort of is.
2. A mountain asphalt driveway should be removed and redesigned as natural pathway which still serves as access to services at the top
3. Add signs, create an official trail map that is available online and on-site (see what City of Phoenix did with Dreamy Draw for example). Enforce the laws: it is illegal to camp in the preserves, the homeless population cannot be living and trashing Papago Preserve on a regular basis. Dirt bikes/motorcycles need to be ticketed for riding through the preserve. Add more park rangers and police dedicated to the area.
4. apply the consequences of breaking the rules.
5. Atabey outdoors helps children have access close to home. They can help promote awareness of the outdoors and how to maintain it.
6. Better info on the Tempe city website; Recruit volunteer Preserve stewards from the community, similar to the McDowell Sonoran Conservancy and the White Tank Mountains Conservancy.
7. billboards

8. Build it and they will come. Give the bike community a place they crave to call their own pride and joy. Local clean ups, volunteer dig day. Cities around the country do this and has proven to be successful.
9. City water bill story, online, local papers.
10. City wide festival
11. Clear Restoration areas with education about land degradation in the desert
12. Community lead enforcement of the preserve's rules. Rangers being visible and engaging with trail users.
13. develop interdisciplinary volunteer committee of users/interested/affected, technical advisory committee for increased info sharing and issue resolution
14. education during usage. Could park rangers remind folks of the rules?
15. Education? Education starts with children. I would strongly recommend visits to schools and make presentations to children about preserve awareness and what they mean to the community. I run an education campaign for the Africanized Bee program. Our main targets were children. For adults, we had radio and tv spots. We can utilize trained volunteers and specially the Park Rangers.
16. Educational programs?
17. Educational signage about unique desert plants and environment.
18. Educational signage regarding the history of the area in more prominent areas of the trails. Shade structure utilizing the existing power poles or light poles.
19. Educational signage, community events, encouraging word of mouth education
20. Educational Signs. Security.
21. Educational TV commercial spots.
22. Encourage zoning and development surrounding the desert preserves that respects public view sheds and visual accessibility to the preserves and their iconic skylines that are unique to Tempe and support our unique identity and character. Encourage buffer zoning and development regulations that mitigate impact of heat island on the preserve's natural ecology. The relationship between nature and the adjacent build environment matters.
23. Enforce the rules
24. Enforcement of the rules.
25. Entrance signage, social media
26. guided history talks by tempe park rangers
27. Having someone patrol the area.
28. Highlight all the volunteer work that goes into building and maintaining the trails by groups like Papago Trail Builders Association
29. Hikes on trails led by volunteers who have training and passion for preserving the preserves.
30. I recommend preserving existing recreational opportunities, including preserving and maintaining existing established trails and areas used by hikers and mountain bikers. I also recommend taking measures to combat rampant trash and encampments in the Preserves.
31. I think it's helpful to keep the park clean and safe.

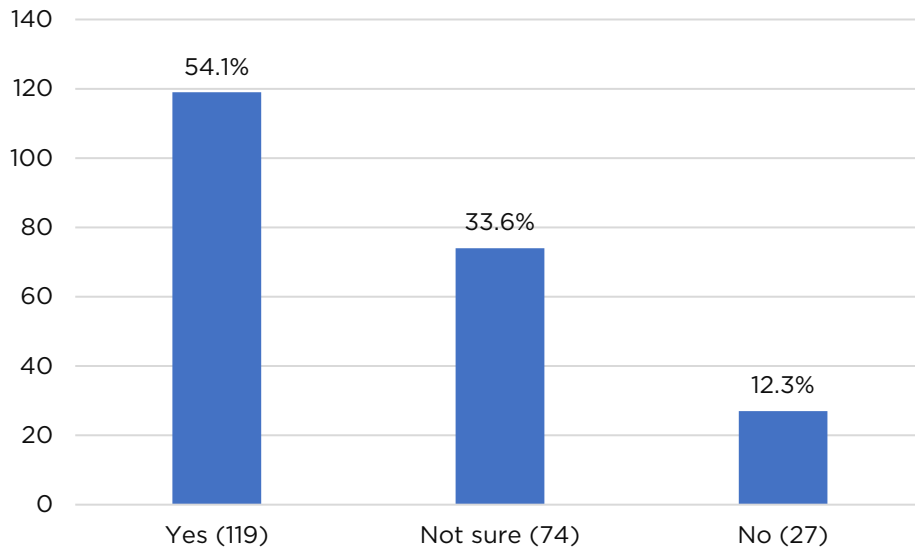
32. I would say more signage and receptacles for conservation.
33. I would start by cleaning litter up and letting the public know it is happening
34. IG adds
35. importance of respecting the preserve by staying on trails, not littering, so to keep pristine and allow everyone to enjoy.
36. Increased LNT marketing
37. Informational signs
38. Informational signs of what lives there, to preserve their environment. Reminders to clean up after yourself or possibly more receptacles to avoid litter.
39. Informative signage with historic Information as well as information on the wildlife and water conservation efforts
40. Interpretive and educational signage
41. Keep mountain bike jump area and trails
42. Keep the park from being a habitat for the homeless.
43. Keeping an open mind on alternative use of public land including biking and dirt jumping. These activities have a positive impact on many lives in the valley.
44. Large kiosk signs at the main trailheads similar to what the Arizona National Scenic Trail does.
45. Leaving things better than you found it
46. let Scouts and Indian Guides, and children serving detention or probation through community service explore and also pick up trash in the Preserves
47. Let the tax payers use it however they want. There's plenty of desert for everyone to enjoy.
48. Log stuff. on trailforks!
49. Make the dirt jumps official, and work with the builders to keep motorcycles off of the jumps
50. marketing campaign, better social media campaign and presence on social media. Interact on social media with groups that will spread the word. The digital engagement for the preserve is non-existent from the City.
51. More clean ups, the amount of shattered glass in the area is alarming. Also things like needles and other trash. The park really needs to be cleaned up so it's a more welcoming place, perhaps additional security / rangers. Would also like to see more lighting around the area as it can be a sketchy place at night. Things like this that can make the park more welcoming and safer to enjoy.
52. More events involving mountain biking.
53. More free parking and signage indicating preserve available
54. More patrol of the area to maintain safety and cleanliness.
55. More signage and addition of volunteer trail stewards
56. more signage would be helpful. Also the city could hold informational events. It seems there are some local advocacy groups spreading false information that I think the Cit could help remedy
57. More signs
58. More signs that educate people not to feed ducks bread as it is bad for their digestive system as well as signs stating you must throw away all fishing line as ducks and other animals can become tangled up in it.

59. More signs! With QR codes, it would be easy to link people in to a lot of information.
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61. More trash cans!
62. more trashcans for recycling?
63. Move homeless out of the park.
64. N/A
65. Need better parking to enable easy access. There's hardly any parking near Tempe Town Lake; whereas Papago Park is 10x better.
66. No
67. None
68. None.
69. Offer joint "trail maintenance opportunities" for local and visiting outdoor enthusiasts like hikers, bikers, and walkers to team up with professional trail maintainers and help foster ownership and care of the land and area.
70. Partner with groups to host events to increase visibility/popularity. Improve safety of the preserve. So many 5Ks and events run along the canal in this areas and perhaps start encouraging events that run through the trails in the park. Have planned 5K, 10K, etc routes that race directors can use. Many races could use a similar start/finish line and run simultaneous pavement and trail runs.
71. Partner with local trail advocacy groups. These groups are already embedded within the communities in a way a municipality can't do on its own. Some signs that clarify appropriate trail use, but mostly city/park enforcement on things like littering, camping, emoto and dirtbikes on the mountain bike and hiking trails.
72. Partner with local youth education orgs and schools.
73. People on the ground, e.g. rangers and volunteer stewards to personally engage users in education and awareness
74. Pick up trash.
75. PLEASE control the large amount of homeless that are allowed to sleep in and congregate in the Papago Preserves (both green spaces and remote areas), the ramadas and the tunnel under Curry Road. I live across the street and do not feel safe hiking alone in the preserves or in the Women's Park on the corner of College and Weber.
76. Post basic rules regarding preservation at the entrances. Only leave footprints, etc.
77. Programming, or classes. Volunteer opportunities.
78. Promote going back to nature and actually doing it in Tempe. Take down the high rises and over-built areas. We don't even have enough room to park because every foot of space IS ANOTHER BUILDING! Show people how Tempe is truly different and a good place to live.
79. Promote the hiking trails in Tempe via social media and create hiking event to promote in the spring and fall.
80. Protect from being leased for golf course development or other special interest.

81. public information has to be consistent, factual, and not long & "wordy". Attention spans are almost non-existent with many people today -- but repetition eventually makes it through to the brain (we hope).
82. Regular maintenance and clear ways to use the area responsibly will help. Trail head signs and marked routes. Community cleanup events, partnering with students needing community service hours, etc. Regular, Ranger organized efforts supported by volunteers will help very much.
83. Remove campers
84. Rule signs at trailheads. Absorbing some of the existing spider rails, including the jumps, but limiting future building. Assigning volunteer ambassadors to parts of park. Adapting to how it is being used now. Restricting all motor/motor assisted use. It's too small of an area for that.
85. School field trips. Outreach to REI to get their members participating Outreach to Bike Shops to get their customers interested.
86. Signage and guided walks
87. Signage at ALL entrance points. Word of mouth is powerful. A Park Steward program would highly benefit the area and create a sense of community. This group can also educate and hold people accountable. Please lean on the City of Phoenix for this, they have it dialed.
88. Signage to educate how the preserve has been damaged by uneducated use
89. signage, active social media presence
90. Signs about how to dispose of trash and recycling. Many folks do not know what items can be recycled.
91. Signs at entrances.
92. Signs indicating environmental damage of off trail activity
93. Signs, information on the website, virtual community forums or information sessions.
94. Stricter enforcement for violations such as littering and open drug use. The preserve is unfortunately a mess more often than not in certain repeat areas. (Curry/College)
95. Target youth and other groups with great social media marketing
96. Teaching everyone to be grateful for what they do and don't have
97. Tours about the archaeology and natural resources of the preserves led by trained docents.
98. Trail maps ...improved signs Amphitheater to do music venues or other stages to have netertainment or small community events
99. Trailhead signs and parking lots.
100. use of park rangers for guided tours, answering questions, enforcement of rules, a presence would help. Signage might help. Removal of garbage and graffiti and regular volunteer opportunities to keep the areas clean.
101. Use of social media, presence at city/community events, mention in water bill insert (Tempe something?)
102. Water management. Find ways to capture storm runoff so it soaks in onsite.
103. We took the first step with the rangers. Informed Park Stewards would help. Maybe guided hikes and informative videos on Tempe 11.
104. Work with local bike shops and trail building groups.

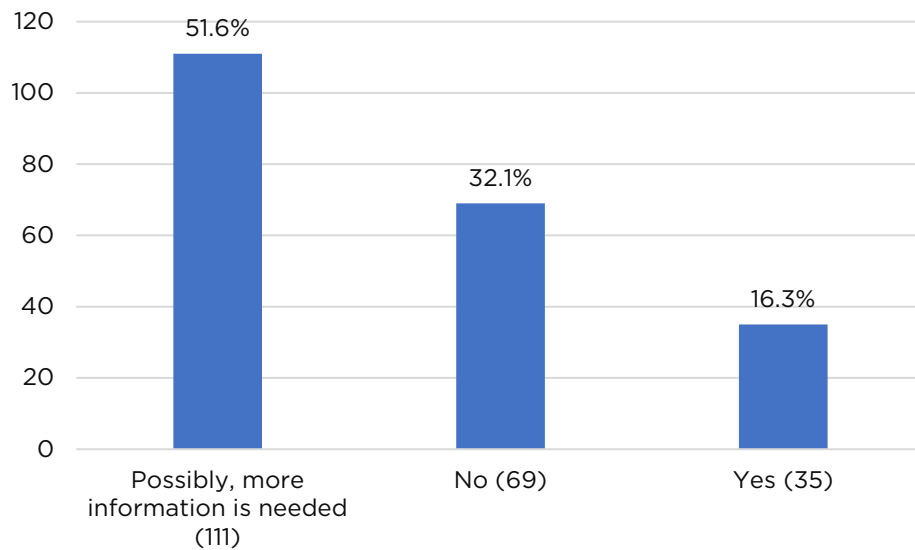


7. What uses or facilities should be added, modified, or eliminated?



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8. How should the desert environment be protected and preserved?



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9. In order to sustain and improve the preservation of the natural desert land while balancing cultural, education, and recreation opportunities, the Preserve Management Plan could include recommendations to partner with organizations. What organizations could the City explore partnerships with?
1. @cleanuppapago @arizona\_mountain\_guides @papagotrailbuildersassoc
  2. A local bike organization that's in tune with the papago bike jumps would be a good start. To steward and act as ambassadors for the jumps once the city adopts the jumps as an official bike park. It needs protecting and advocacy to educate how to use and safety of use.
  3. American Bicycle Association ( BMX) Mountain bike Association of AZ ( MBAA)
  4. American Humane Association  
The Marine Mammal Center  
The American Society For  
The Prevention Of Cruelty To Animals (ASPCA)  
Best Friends Animal Society  
The Humane Society Of The United States  
International Fund For Animal  
Welfare  
Wildlife Conservation Society
  5. Arizona Cycling Association  
NICA  
MBAA
  6. Arizona Mountain Guide (Aaron Collins), Arizona Bolt Replacement
  7. ASU
  8. ASU
  9. ASU (depts related to use/management/preservation of natural resources), local environmental clubs, corporations with a local footprint that have funds available or designated for non-profit use.
  10. ASU and Maricopa Community Colleges.
  11. ASU, Desert Botanical Garden
  12. ASU. The city needs to work with professors to make them aware of the cultural significance of Hayden Butte- to prevent classes from going off trail and damaging the vegetation that is barely hanging on after the horribly hot summer.
  13. Atabey outdoors
  14. Atabey Outdoors  
Chromatic Climbers  
Black Lives Matter  
Mighty Boots Wilderness
  15. Atabey Outdoors.  
Refram Phoenix.  
School districts.  
Rising Youth Theatre.

16. Atayebi Outdoors
17. Audubon Society bird walks and talks  
Tempe Historical Museum and Historical Society
18. AZ Community Tree Council, Trees Matter
19. AZ Game and fish department
20. BIPOC groups and businesses, black and women owned groups and businesses, kids and fun activities groups, mindfulness groups, including Atayebi Outdoors and Million Dollar Teacher Program.
21. Black Folkx Rock , Chromatic Climbers, AZ climbing guides
22. build your own team of affected interests
23. Clean up papago
24. Clean up Papago
25. "Clean Up Papago
26. Papago Trail Builders Association
27. West Valley Trail Alliance
28. AZSA
29. Arizona Bouldering Project and Phoenix Rock Gym- climbing area"
30. Clean Up Papago, Papago Trail Alliance
31. Clean Up Papago: they are doing great work cleaning and relining trails, they recently replanted the area around Hunt's Tomb in Phoenix.  
Papago Trail Builders: this organization takes care and maintains the jump area that is a landmark for many.  
November Project: they have free fitness programs every week at Papago Park.  
AZSA: Arizona Sustainability Alliance.
32. Cleanup Papago  
AZ MTN Guides  
Papago Trail Builders Association
33. Cleanuppapago, papagotrailbuildersassoc, arizonamountainguides
34. Companies with a true commitment to open spaces and preserving the areas we have- REI, local hiking groups
35. Cycle groups that want to help preserve and maintain dedicated areas for multi user access as well as dedicated bicycle areas
36. Desert botanical garden
37. Desert Defenders or something similar. Find an organization to partner with to manage and maintain the dirt jump area that has grown over the years through unpermitted development.
38. Different Climbing associations
39. Hawes trail alliance
40. Hawes trail alliance and MBAA
41. Hawes Trail Alliance to assist with trail development.
42. hawes trail alliance

- tempe bicycle action group
- other local bike groups
- 43. Health organizations.
- 44. I am currently not sure of any. But I know that "Clean Up Papago" has been spreading false information about cyclists and directing hate toward the house-less community
- 45. I am not sure but maybe organisations on preservation as well as clean up
- 46. I don't know.
- 47. I don't know if the mountain bike and climbing group are organized??  
Neighborhoods in north Tempe would be good, since the neighborhoods are in close vicinity to the Preserve. SRP would be a good partner. The City of Phoenix since the Preserve borders Papago Park, Phoenix. Sky Harbor.
- 48. I'm sure many groups can be easily identified by Tempe staff, including tribal entities.
- 49. Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals
- 50. join other neighborhood groups  
Can there be a small shelter of day use building w bathrooms to do education?
- 51. Keep it the way it is
- 52. Keep Tempe Beautiful, Arizona State University, Kiwanis Club, Tempe Diablos
- 53. Keep Tempe beautiful, Rain to aRoots.
- 54. Landis MTB Club, or any other mountain bike club.
- 55. Let them build
- 56. Local Bicycle Shops for nature tours/implement exercise around the parks on the many wonderful trails
- 57. Local schools
- 58. Local trail steward organizations
- 59. N/A
- 60. NO RECREATION IN THE PRESERVES!! No big money corporations that expect a return on their money while destroying the area with signs. Partner with sustainable preservation organizations ie Tempe Garden Club, Audubon, ASU Departments that support plant and animal education/preservation, Liberty Wildlife, Phoenix Zoo, Thompson Arboretum, etc. Keep the Preserves ACTUALLY preserved.
- 61. None
- 62. None
- 63. None
- 64. None, no large organizations please
- 65. Non-profit organizations that improve the lives of Tempe residents.
- 66. Not sure

67. Not sure
68. Not sure
69. Of course, the botanical garden. Also, the maricopa county master gardener program. SRP may also be a good group to approach, if only for funding, since their headquarters is adjacent - there may also be some opportunities for synergy with their xeriscape initiatives.
70. Old Pueblo MTB, Sonoran Desert Mountain Biking
71. Only partner with recreational organizations. Any non-recreation organization will have negative effects on the opportunities of the park and will be a complete and utter waste of money.
72. Organizations that advocate, foster and encourage outdoor activities for young and older people like hiking, biking, and walking. Team up with these groups and develop a relationship with outdoor enthusiasts and everyone wins.
73. Papago trails builders association
74. Papago Disc Golf Club
75. Papago Trail Builder Association
76. Papago Trail Builders
77. Papago trail builders (I think that's their name).
78. Papago Trail Builders Alliance
79. Papago Trail builders Association
80. Papago Trail Builders Association
81. Papago Trail Builders Association
82. Papago Trail Builders Association
83. Papago Trail Builders Association
84. Papago Trail Builders Association - they maintain the dirt jumps that my kids love  
 Clean Up Papago - they seem to be doing great work  
 November Project - met some of these folks out there. As I understand it, they do fitness get togethers in the park  
 AZ bouldering project  
 Also, it would be great to reach out to local bike shops and climbing gyms/shops. I'd imagine they'd take an interest in helping preserve and expand the opportunity to participate in their respective sports at Papago.
85. Papago Trail Builders Association abdicates for and commits to the preservation and maintenance of the jump park. This area has been maintained by the public and is a great display of exactly what the public users want from this area.
86. Partner with local climbing organizations to help maintain and manage those recreation areas

87. partnering with an organization like Desert Botanical Gardens would complement (if not already working together) having similar goals and purpose.
88. Phoenix Botanical Garden  
Sierra Club or hiking & biking groups  
Nature Conservancy
89. Pivot cycles emigos bike shop and global bikes and curbside cycles and hawes trail aliance
90. REI, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Tourist Guiding Companies, Rage Cycle Shop
91. REI, sierra Club
92. Schools, Bicycle clubs, Hiking clubs, and the list is long for organizations that we can partner with. What is needed is a person assigned to contact these organizations and get them to agree to provide their support where is most needed.
93. Scouts BSA
94. Scouts, Valley Leadership, AZ Forward, Desert Botanical Garden, Phoenix Garden Clubs, Hiking Clubs, Kiwanis, Rotary, Elks clubs, organizations that use the area could help with maintenance and trash clean up. Activate Hallman park for overnight scout outings/events and promote legitimized urban camping to activate the area.
95. Sierra Club
96. Sierra club
97. Sierra Club.
98. Someone like IMBA (International Mountain Bicycling Association) would have good input as to how to balance that.
99. Srp and a local recycling company
100. TBAG. Hawesaholics, Papago Trail Builders Org
101. Tempe Bicycle Action Group, Keep Nature Wild
102. Tempe Bicycle Coalition Group, Desert Botanical Gardens, Phoenix Zoo
103. Tempe Historic Preservation Foundation
104. Tempe Historic Preservation Foundation
105. Tempe Leadership, scouts, hiking groups
106. The city should explore partnerships with reputable Guide Services (not Guerrilla Guide Services..) to promote good use of the areas as well as partnering with National conservation groups. These groups have done a tremendous amount of work around the country and so there is no need to re-invent the wheel.
107. the Papago Trail Builders Association
108. The public school system and community colleges.
109. The Sierra Club

- 110. Trail alliances and current user outreach. Maybe through trail head education and promotion for engagement. FB is also a great way to engage and discover user base
- 111. Trees matter, AZland, sierra club, Chispa
- 112. Unknown
- 113. Unsure
- 114. Various local Mt. Biking groups would be willing to help.
- 115. Watershed Management Group.
- 116. We have plenty of desert land already, just maintain the trails we have
- 117. West Valley Trail Alliance
- 118. Which ever organizations work in the preserve, they need to understand the fragility of the ecosystem and be trained on how to carefully go off trail when the need arises and understand the preserve regulations.  
Arizona Native Plant Society  
Maricopa county Master Naturalists
- 119. Youth organizations.

**10. Do you have any additional suggestions for the maintenance and operations of the Preserves?**

- 1. Active/involved park rangers
- 2. Add more Park Rangers, 1 is not enough with how much foot traffic there is in the preserves. Remove the tweakers from Papago Preserve, they are creating a public health hazard. Enforce the laws against motorized vehicles as dirt bikes and motorcycles are ruining the trails in Papago. Add more trash cans around the preserves and ticket people who litter.
- 3. Again, I am here to show support of the city adopting the bike jumps as an official sanctioned bike park in papago. There are plenty of people who will volunteer once the city shows the threat of destruction is gone. I am one of them. Thanks for the consideration. The community needs this place.
- 4. Allow Rock Climbing in your parks
- 5. An official Bike Park at the jumps would be amazing. More signage and delineation of official trails is needed but don't sanitize them all. This is a favorite for the mountain bike community, as well as hiking. There are a lot of spider trails but they're not all bad. Some probably need to be closed but others kept and made official. Safety, cleanup, and maintenance is of utmost importance and always an ongoing issue.
- 6. As I mentioned above, I think it's important to leave the dirt jump area by the rear of the Zoo intact. It is a great outlet for riders wanting to progress their skills without having to drive to the city fringes. It's a relatively small area, uses the natural topography, is kept clean by the riding community and has been there for decades. I moved here in 1991 and rode my BMX

bike there. It's actually constructed very well. If anything, the city should provide amenities to the jump area, like a bike work stand, water fountain, etc. Embrace it.

7. Better parking
8. Better upkeep of the ponds
9. Continuing to allow the existing recreational opportunities provided by the existing Papago jumps.
10. Create the mountain bike skills area to help the mountain bike community to grow.
11. Designated full time park rangers.
12. Don't make it so "safe" that it's no longer related to "nature"
13. ELIMINATE THE HOMELESS!!!! They are dangerous and drugs are rampant.
14. Enforcing no camping in the preserves
15. Engage with the groups (organized and semi-organized) that are regular users.
16. Ensure a good climbing management plan and permitting process is in place.
17. For over 20 years the promise of adoption has been extended without ever following through or coming to fruition. The area was overgrown with trees and was an eyesore from overgrown vegetation and homeless encampments. Now with the amount of activity the homeless have moved elsewhere and we have an incredible display of commitment and hard work from the cycling community that has come together to re-establish what once was, and it has now progressed to be far better, safer, and progressive than ever before.
18. Get a shipping container at the jump spot and put all of the tools and stuff in it and then make a shipping container drop it would be sick
19. Get the homeless out of Papago Park and preserve Hayden Butte so it doesn't get developed or destroyed.
20. Have a place for unsheltered folks to go before expelling them from Preserve
21. Help Transients with other shelter
22. Homeless encampments, and trash generated need attention. My main safety concern is the tunnel under Curry rd which is a drug den and many are afraid to use it to cross Curry rd.
23. Homelessness and trash are big issues in the Papago Preserve. I don't know how Tempe would have dedicated Park Rangers for these Preserves unless more were hired.
24. I am blown away they didn't have park rangers till now in this valuable piece of property not both financially but historically as well. No wonder the place has gotten like it has.



25. I hike in Tempe preserve frequently. It needs lots of work! Thanks for cleaning up and lighting the tunnel that goes under Curry Rd! It was pretty scary
26. I live in Tempe and work at SRP and have hiked, jogged, and pushed strollers through that park on weekends, evenings, and over my lunch breaks for 20 years. I find pet waste to be a huge issue - worse now - and think that increasing the places where bags can be grabbed could help. This park is a gem and I am glad steps are being taken to preserve and enhance the space. Thanks.
27. I put "not sure" about the dedicated ranger program, as that's a budget, personnel, and resource allocation question that I lack info to answer, however, if it would help clean up the park and keep it safe, then yes. Also, I would love to see the dirt jump /mountain bike section be officially adopted. This has been talked about off and on since I moved to AZ in 06, and it's time for it to actually happen.
28. I think would like to see more public meetings in addition to this survey so citizens can ensure all voices are being heard
29. I understand the need for line of site trimming of trees in some areas, but should be done as little as possible. Native trees grow their limbs to the ground to cool their roots, direct rain to the edges of their canopy, and in some cases support the larger limbs. The natural growth of desert trees make them less vulnerable to wind damage.
30. I would like to see more mountain biking trails. The jumps that are there are very fun and there are good trails currently. It has the possibility to be taken to the next level
31. I'd love to see the tunnel improved connecting the north and south sides. I'd love to see the BMX Jump Area made official. I would love if the preserve felt safer. I applaud the effort to get Rangers to work there.
32. including the Hayden Flour Mill in the 2nd Sunday downtown Mill Ave walk / market with bread and items made from flour milled locally and baked at local bakeries
33. Install refrigerated drinking fountains that have shade structure OVER them. Install shade structures OVER places to sit. Install more places to sit along trails.
34. Invest in preventative maintenance and durable interpretative signage, establishing a long term strategy for maintaining/replacing signage - not just a one and done deal. When damaged signage is ignored, it only inspires more vandalism ... and costs the city more in the long run, while also suggesting that the city doesn't care about its resources, etc...
35. It would be cool if the rangers or whoever could get the creepy tweakers out. Then it would be safer and cleaner and my dad would let me go ride there alone with my friends :)

36. It would be nice to have a tool shed at the bike park so that we could actually store our tools!
37. Just need to keep the jumps. I wouldn't be as capable of a rider if these hadn't existed when I started riding. I wouldn't be as good of a person if this place hadn't existed.
38. Keep it the way it is
39. Keep mountain bike jumps and get the homeless out of the tunnels and the rest of the park
40. Keep the constructed trails and jumps and incorporate them into the existing park. More options create more recreation opportunities
41. Keep the current offerings including trails and jump lines that provide close and accessible riding opportunities for the large biking community. The area has hosted many and varied athletic events over time including Ironman, Dirt triathlons, MTB racing and other informal meetups.
42. Keep the dirt jumps
43. Keep the homeless to a minimum. Put more trash cans perhaps to encourage proper disposal of litter.
44. Keep the papago dirt jumps
45. Keep the preserves clean and enforce this on those unwilling to abide. More access to trash receptacles and recycling along busier trails. Continued rehabilitation of native plants. "
46. Keep them safe
47. Leave the little bike jump section alone. It's awesome!
48. Leave the stuff that there alone, and add more trails.
49. Leave them alone and natural! Tempe already has too much over development and management.
50. Left them build
51. Maintain the existing mountain bike trails and jump. They are an excellent and well maintained feature.
52. Maintenance is good, the homeless encampments and other issues relating seems to have improved greatly.
53. Maybe enlist boy and girl scouts or school to do simple maintenance projects. Better seating near water. improved bridges across the water?
54. More care for the animals that live at the parks.
55. More jumps!
56. More mnt / bmx activities
57. More personnel may be needed, both for the park rangers to have a dedicated presence in the preserve as well maintenance staff to oversee the approximately 300 acres of land.
58. N/A
59. No
60. No

61. No
62. No.
63. None
64. None at this time
65. None.
66. Papago is heavily impacted, but it's also an important example of an urban trail system -- trails in a semi-natural area that can be accessed within the city, and potentially without a car. Not many cities can say this. I would like to see preservation/enhancement of biodiversity balanced with maintaining/enhancing the existing trails systems, including the Papago dirt jumps.
67. Park rangers have had a positive impact in places like South Mountain for preserving a cultural mountain biking destination and local favorite trail system. The partnerships with groups appears positive and should be used as a guide for a balanced approach for all trail use needs. Including maintaining dirt jumps.
68. Pick up trash and that includes emptying trash cans daily.
69. Please continue to provide bike riding recreational activities with in the preserve. Thx for the opportunity to be heard.
70. Please don't overdevelop. Less is more. The trails are fine. We don't need them paved. We don't need them lit. We don't need billboards to direct us. Keep it simple. Let a natural area be a natural area.
71. Please empty the recycling dumpster by the Sandra day O'Connor house more frequently.
72. Please keep appropriate trash receptacle and empty regularly
73. Please keep the bike jumps that have been part of the community for years. Many enjoy the benefit
74. Please keep the dirt jumps that have been there for years. They are unique and a small portion of the park. They provide joy for so many.
75. Please keep the dirt jumps! They are great for kids and adults and don't take up much space in the park. Having different ways to recreate keeps more people active, in a safe location that is otherwise surrounded by the concrete jungle!
76. Please keep the existing bike jumps located in the park they provide an important recreation for at risk youth
77. Please leave it as undeveloped as possible. There are plenty of other locations in town to see sports and concerts.
78. Please permit climbing in city parks and preserves.
79. Please work with representatives from the GRIC to improve respectful treatment of the Papago Preserve.
80. Please work with the Papago Trail Builders Association to make the dirt jump area official. It's a huge asset to the community, and Has been around

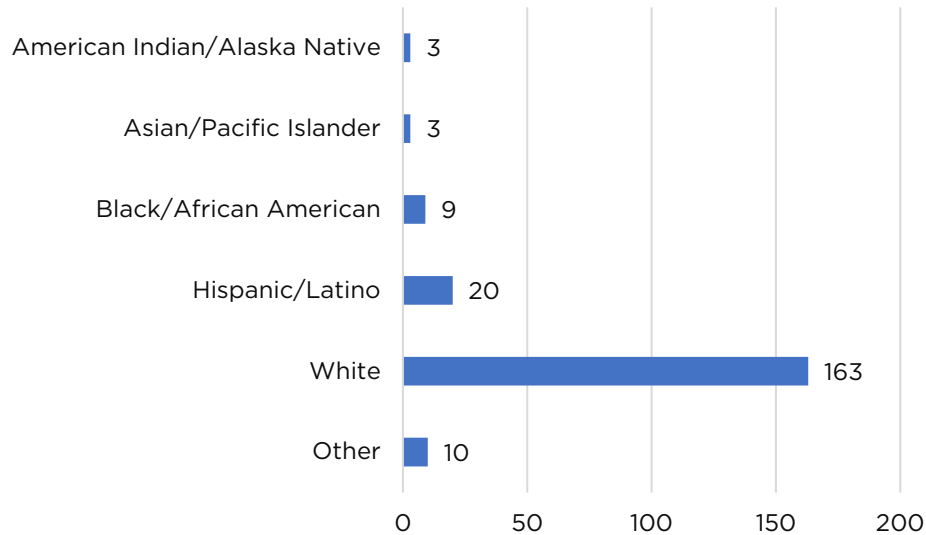
- for over a decade. Other cities spend hundreds of thousands of dollars to build bike parks that aren't as good or popular as the Papago jumps. You already have a dedicated team of volunteers that maintain a huge asset to the community. Please take advantage of this instead of spending money to take away the joy and happiness of others, and make the community less livable.
81. Preserve the dirt jump bicycling area. It provides great opportunities for recreation, especially for the younger crowd.
  82. Recommend preservation of the existing MTB-accessible trails systems, including the jump lines that are unique in this area of the Maricopa urban area. Users include youth and recreational bikers with few additional areas in proximity.
  83. Remove disc golf as an activity allowed in a Preserve
  84. Re-open more of the restrooms that have been closed, even if it's just a waterless urinal, for runners, hikers, bicyclists. Not many options to make a quick restroom pit stop throughout the parks!
  85. Riders need jump trails.
  86. Stop listening to big money. Go back to what made Tempe so attractive, which is NOTHING of what Tempe is currently doing. Completely change direction for Tempe's future. SAVE TEMPE--it's dying. Surround and maintain the Preserves with genuinely caring and preservation minded people. Use volunteers from ASU and the organizations previously mentioned, no tour guides, utilize the Park Rangers, and ask those who have lived in Tempe for the past 70 years about how it should look and what we need. Those older citizens were the ones who created such a wonder place that has now been erased to the detriment of a tranquil and beautiful City.
  87. Thank you for taking care of our park and working to improve it for everyone to enjoy.
  88. The dirt jumps for mountain bikes. Even though they are currently not official, PLEASE KEEP THEM!
  89. timely and continual oversight/patrol for the Preserves. feel that having the Park Ranger patrol, along with courteous informational interactions with those that might be in violation can be "contagious" (in a good way) for others. reflects the importance and commitment by the city and the residents (aka mitigating the "broken window theory").
  90. Use citizens as volunteers
  91. Using city resources to constantly move homeless people from one place to the next is more expensive than housing them. Policing homelessness is expensive and not a solution.
  92. Water and Heat know-how and staffing during summer months. Limited heat of day hours.

93. While initiatives aimed at erosion control, invasive species, revegetation, and water management may address legitimate concerns, these pale in comparison to other more pressing issues, which include trash, litter, debris, and widespread encampments in the Preserves. If the measures the city takes to address erosion control, invasive species, and revegetation restrict recreational access to established hiking and biking trails, it would be counterintuitive and short-sited. Cutting off or limiting access to recreational opportunities would significantly diminish these users' connection to and stewardship of the Preserves.
94. Would be amazing to go beyond the golf course approach and maybe add swings for kids and a basketball court for more diverse ideas on outdoor lifestyles
95. Would like the preserves to stay natural. No recreational establishments such as baseball fields, golf courses or similar sports recreation that would reduce the preserves. Interpretive trails, bike and hiking trails and other similar recreational activities that enhance and celebrate these Preserves would be the best use of the parks resources.
96. Would like to see City of Tempe partnering with the mountain bike community on the dirt jump park

## IV. Demographics

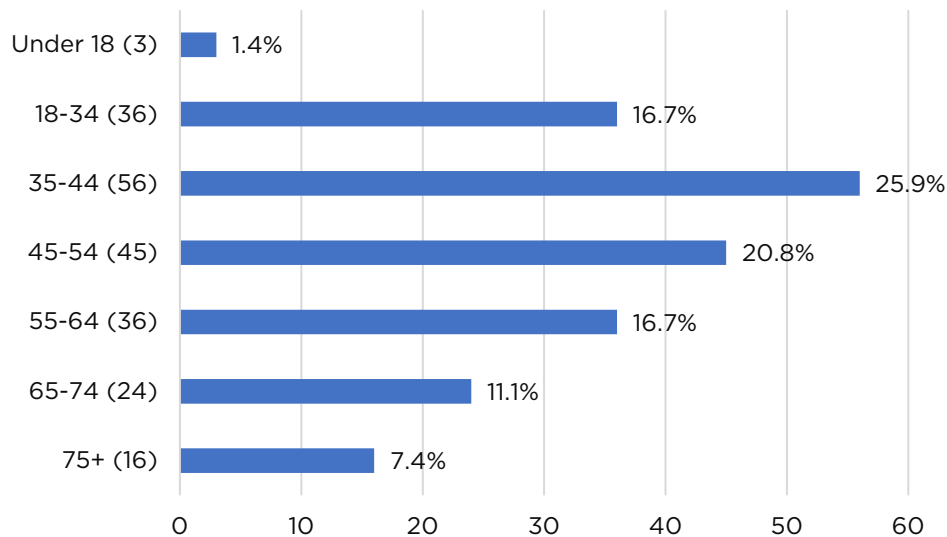
The City of Tempe wants to better understand how well it is serving community members. Collecting demographic data allows the city to effectively plan and distribute its programs and investments. The collection of data provides a more precise picture of current Tempe residents and businesses. Providing this information is highly encouraged and helpful to the city, but it is not mandatory.

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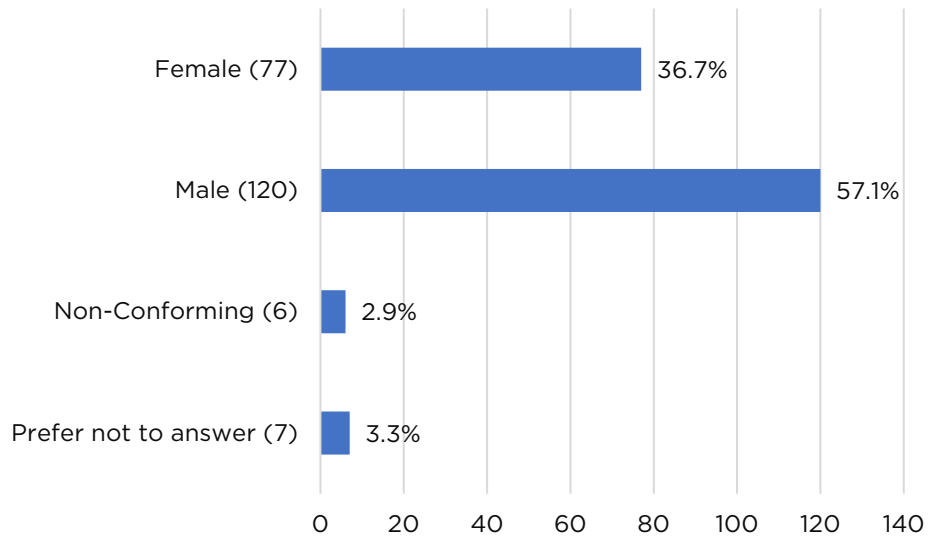
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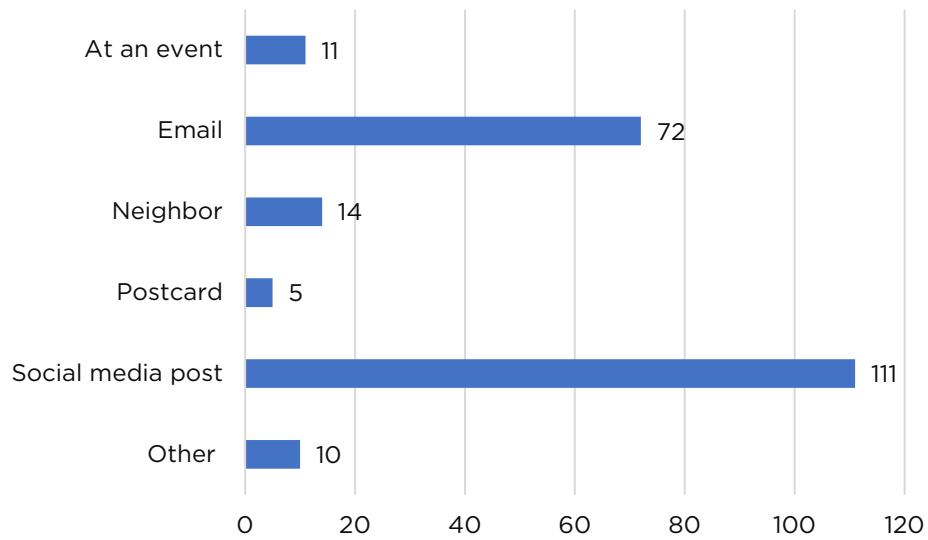
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