

Report to  
CITY OF FREMONT  
for  
2007 Parks and Recreation Survey

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

### Objective:

The current research was designed to assess opinions and attitudes of registered voters within the City of Fremont, Sheridan Charter Township, Dayton Township and Sherman Township regarding parks and recreational opportunities in the Fremont Area.

### Methodology:

A telephone survey was conducted between January 16 – 19, 2007 with registered voters in the City of Fremont, Sheridan Charter Township, Dayton Township, and Sherman Township. Based upon a total population of 8,106 registered voters, a random sample of 260 was targeted for a 95% confidence level, +/-6% margin of error; a total of 261 surveys was completed.

### Key Findings:

-Over half of respondents indicated they had visited Branstrom and Fremont Lake parks during the past year (56% and 58%, respectively), while 46% indicated they had visited Veterans Memorial Park. In addition, the majority or single largest group of respondents reported visiting these parks one to five times in the past year (Veterans Memorial Park - 55%; Branstrom - 54%; Fremont Lake - 49%).

-The majority of respondents (77%) indicated they had visited Fremont Lake in the past year, with 47% of those visiting the lake indicating they had done so one to five times over the course of the past year. Respondents most frequently cited swimming (35%), fishing (23%), and boating/waterskiing (21%) as activities they had participated in on the lake.

-Respondents most frequently reported they or their family members had participated in the following recreational activities: The Swirl (32%), Fremont Lake Playground (22%), and Branstrom Sledding Hill (19%). In addition, 41% of respondents indicated they had walked, hiked, biked, or inline skated on the Branstrom Nature Trails, while 30% indicated they had walked, hiked, biked, or inline skated on the Town & Country Path.

-The majority of respondents (80%) reported favoring the extension of the Town & Country Path around the west side of Fremont Lake south, then east to Sheridan Township boat launch/playground.

-The majority of respondents (73%) indicated they would like to see more non-motorized pathways developed that would extend into their jurisdiction and connect to other communities' path systems

-The majority of respondents (61%) indicated they would support an up to 1 mill request by the Recreation Authority to create new recreation facilities and/or improve or repair existing structures; 19% of respondents indicated they would not support the request and 20% indicated they are uncertain if they would support the request.

-When asked what kind of activities or amenities they would like to see if a recreation center were to be developed in the Fremont Area, respondents most frequently identified: indoor pool (22%) and indoor jogging/walking track (20%).

-The majority of respondents (51%) indicated they are somewhat satisfied with available recreational facilities and programs in the Fremont Area, with 76% reporting some level of satisfaction overall. When asked what satisfies them most about the available recreational facilities and programs, this group of respondents most frequently cited proximity (25%) and variety (25%).

-Respondents most frequently identified newspapers and word-of-mouth as sources from which they receive most of their information about recreation in the Fremont Area (62% and 58%, respectively).

-The majority of respondents (73%) indicated they would like to see the Fremont Community have more recreational facilities, with 77% of this group of respondents indicating they would be willing to contribute money to help pay for new recreational facilities.

## 1.0 OVERVIEW

### 1.1 Objective

The current research was designed to assess opinions and attitudes of registered voters within the City of Fremont, Sheridan Charter Township, Dayton Township, and Sherman Township regarding parks and recreational opportunities. Survey participants were asked to indicate 1) what area parks and public lakes they had visited, and frequency of use, within the past year, and 2) what types of recreational activities they and their families had participated in over the course of the past year. Participants were also asked to rate their satisfaction with existing activities and facilities and were asked what types of activities and/or amenities would be of interest if a recreation center were to be developed in the Fremont Area. In addition, survey participants were asked to indicate their potential support for a millage increase to fund new/existing recreation facilities. Demographic data was gathered for use in determining views by various respondent subsections.

### 1.2 Methodology

A telephone survey was conducted between January 16 – 19, 2007 with registered voters in the City of Fremont, Sheridan Charter Township, Dayton Township, and Sherman Township. A random sample was selected from the total population of 8,106 registered voters. Based upon a total population of 8,106, a sample size of 260 was targeted for a 95% confidence level and +/- 6% margin of error; a total of 261 surveys was completed. Confidence intervals for individual jurisdictions are larger due to smaller sample sizes. Margin of error for each jurisdiction is as follows: City of Fremont +/-9.7%, Sheridan Charter Township +/-11.5%, Dayton Township +/-13.2%, and Sherman Township +/-15.5%.

Survey data was entered via computer assisted telephone interviewing and analyzed using SPSS for Windows. Analyses include frequencies, cross-tabulations and significance testing. Survey variables which interact significantly with jurisdiction are noted with an asterisk (\*) in 3.0: Survey Results by Jurisdiction

## 2.0 SURVEY RESULTS

### In which City/Township do you reside?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	City of Fremont	99	37.9	37.9	37.9
	Sheridan Charter Township	70	26.8	26.8	64.8
	Dayton Township	53	20.3	20.3	85.1
	Sherman Township	39	14.9	14.9	100.0
	Total	261	100.0	100.0	

### 1. What parks have you visited in the Fremont Area? How often during the past year?

What parks have you visited in the Fremont Area?		How often during the past year?				
		1-5 times	6-10 times	11-15 times	16-20 times	More than 20
Branstrom Park	55.6% (145)	54.2% (78)	22.9% (33)	8.3% (12)	2.8% (4)	11.8% (17)
Fremont Lake Park	57.9% (151)	49.0% (74)	25.2% (38)	8.6% (13)	5.3% (8)	11.9% (18)
Sheridan Twp Boat Launch/Playground	4.2% (11)	45.5% (5)	0	9.1% (1)	36.4% (4)	9.1% (1)
Veterans Memorial	46.0% (120)	55.0% (66)	30.0% (36)	6.7% (8)	3.3% (4)	5.0% (6)
Fremont Skate Park	4.2% (11)	60.0% (6)	10.0% (1)	20.0% (2)	0	10.0% (1)
Crystal Lake Boat Launch/Beach	1.1% (3)	66.7% (2)	0	0	0	33.3% (1)
Other	8.8% (23)	78.3% (18)	8.7% (2)	0	4.3% (1)	8.7% (2)

Note: Some respondents indicating they visited one or more parks did not report frequency

### Other - park(s) visited in the Fremont Area:

Park	Frequency
Not Applicable	238
Second/Third Lake	1
Arboretum Park	14
Croton, Cartedam	1
Fremont City Park	2
Loda Lake	1
Newaygo City Park	1
Newaygo, Riverside Park	1
Sportsman Park	1
White Cloud	1
Total	261

**2. What public lakes have you visited in the Fremont Area? How often during the past year?**

What public lakes have you visited in the Fremont Area?		How often during the past year?				
		1-5 times	6-10 times	11-15 times	16-20 times	More than 20
Fremont Lake	77.4% (202*)	46.5% (92)	17.2% (34)	10.6% (21)	4.5% (9)	21.2% (42)
Crystal Lake	14.9% (39)	65.8% (25)	13.2% (5)	2.6% (1)	10.5% (4)	7.9% (3)
Robinson Lake	6.9% (18)	52.9% (9)	17.6% (3)	0	0	29.4% (5)
Second/Third Lake	11.1% (29)	44.8% (13)	20.7% (6)	13.8% (4)	6.9% (2)	13.8% (4)
Other	17.6% (46)	47.7% (21)	11.4% (5)	9.1% (4)	6.8% (3)	25.0% (11)

Note: Some respondents indicating they visited one or more public lakes did not report frequency

**Other - lakes visited:**

Lake	Frequency
Brooks Lake	1
Diamond Lake	1
First/Second/Third/Fourth Lakes	4
Ford Lake	1
Hardy Pond/Dam	2
Harmsan Lake	1
Hess Lake	2
Kimball/Pickerel/Emerald Lakes	10
Lake Michigan	3
Long Lake	18
Martin Lake	2
Muskegon River	3
Peck Lake	1
Peterson Lake	2
Ryerson Lake	6
Twin Lake	1
Waters Western Horizon	1
White River	2

**2a. For what activities during the past year have you visited Fremont Area public lakes?**

	What activities?				
	Fishing	Boating / Skiing	Swimming	Kayaking	Canoeing
Fremont Lake	23.0% (60)	20.7% (54)	34.5% (90)	3.8% (10)	1.9% (5)
Crystal Lake	7.7% (20)	3.1% (8)	8.4% (22)	1.1% (3)	0.4% (1)
Robinson Lake	3.8% (10)	3.1% (8)	3.1% (8)	0.8% (2)	0.4%(1)
Second/Third Lake	7.7% (20)	0.8% (2)	1.5% (4)	0	1.9% (5)
Other Lakes	8.0% (21)	5.4% (14)	5.4% (14)	1.5% (4)	1.1% (3)

Note: Several respondents indicated they had visited one or more of the designated lakes, but only to picnic or participate in some other activity not listed

**3. What recreational activities have you or family members participated in?  
How often during the past year?**

Area/Activity	Participated	How often during the past year?				
		1-5 times	6-10 times	11-15 times	16-20 times	More than 20
Multipurpose Court / Ice Rink	5.7% (15)	46.2% (6)	38.5% (5)	7.7% (1)	0	7.7% (1)
Branstrom Playground	9.2% (24)	45.5% (10)	36.4% (8)	13.6% (3)	0	4.5% (1)
Branstrom Picnic Areas	10.3% (27)	80.0% (20)	20.0% (5)	0	0	0
Branstrom Lodge	1.9% (5)	75.0% (3)	25.0 (1)	0	0	0
Branstrom Sledding Hill	18.8% (49)	79.1% (34)	16.3% (7)	2.3% (1)	0	2.3% (1)
Branstrom Frisbee / Disc Golf Course	6.1% (16)	46.7% (7)	20.0% (3)	0	6.7% (1)	26.7% (4)
Branstrom Baseball Field	10.3% (27)	36.4% (8)	13.6% (3)	18.2% (4)	18.2% (4)	13.6% (3)
Fremont Lake Beach	17.6% (46)	47.4% (18)	34.2% (13)	5.3% (2)	2.6% (1)	10.5% (4)
Fremont Lake Playground	22.2% (58)	43.4% (23)	32.1% (17)	9.4% (5)	3.8% (2)	11.3% (6)
Fremont Lake Picnic / Pavilions	17.2% (45)	63.6% (28)	25.0% (11)	6.8% (3)	0	4.5% (2)
Fremont Lake Beach Volleyball	1.1% (3)	1.1% (3)	0	0	0	0
The Swirl	31.8% (83)	41.8% (33)	24.1% (19)	10.1% (8)	8.9% (7)	15.2% (12)
Fremont Lake Campground	1.5% (4)	1.5% (4)	0	0	0	0
Veterans Park Playground	12.6% (33)	56.7% (17)	33.3% (10)	3.3% (1)	3.3% (1)	3.3% (1)
Sheridan Twp Playground	1.1% (3)	33.3% (1)	33.3% (1)	33.3% (1)	0	0
Fremont School Playgrounds	6.5% (17)	28.6% (4)	28.6% (4)	0	21.4% (3)	21.4% (3)
Other Activity (1)	21.8% (57)	40.4% (21)	21.2% (11)	5.8% (3)	3.8% (2)	28.8% (15)
Other Activity (2)	4.2% (11)	66.7% (6)	11.1% (1)	0	0	22.2% (2)
Other Activity (3)	1.9% (5)	25.0% (1)	50.0% (2)	0	0	25.0% (1)

Note: Several respondents indicated they had visited the facility but did not participate in any activity

**Other - recreational activity:**

Activity	Frequency
Walking/Hiking/Jogging/Running	17
Biking	7
Cross country skiing	6
Golf	5
Concerts	4
Fishing	4
Boating/Jet skiing	2
Skateboarding	1
Arts & Crafts Festival at Veterans Park	1
Ampitheater at Veterans Park	1
Any physical activity	1
I visit my daughter on Long-Ryerson lake but don't participate in any activities	1
Daisy Brook Playground & Sledding	1
Fairgrounds Tractor Pull	1
Fall Harvest	1
Festival in Veterans Park	1
Fremont Lake Park special events (musicals etc.)	1
Baseball – Fremont Middle School	1
Downhill skiing	2
Hesperia Whitecloud	1
Hoeing in the garden	1
Horseback riding	1
Hunting/Rifle Club	3
Manistee National Forest	1
Memorial services	3
Muskegon Area lakes	1
Pine Street School Playground	1
Fall Festival at Branstrom	1
Snowmobile paths	1
Soccer near middle school	1
Swimming	1
Tennis	1
Veterans Park Baby Food Festival	1
Veterans Park band shell/Picnic area	1
We don't swim, fish, or go boating. We just sit and look at the ducks.	1
Winter/Snow sports	1
Woodland Park	1

**4. Have you walked, hiked, biked, or inline skated on the Town & Country Path or any of the nature trails in Branstrom Park or Sheridan Township's forest property by the airport? How often during the past year?**

		How often during the past year?				
		1-5 times	6-10 times	11-15 times	16-20 times	More than 20
Town & Country Path	29.5% (77)	40.3% (31)	24.7% (19)	6.5% (5)	6.5% (5)	22.1% (17)
Branstrom Nature Trails	40.6% (106)	52.9% (55)	19.2% (20)	8.7% (9)	4.8% (5)	14.4% (15)
Sheridan Twp Nature Trails	3.1% (8)	62.5% (5)	12.5% (1)	0	25.0% (2)	0

**5. There are plans to extend the Town & Country Path around the west side of Fremont Lake south, then east to Sheridan Township boat launch / playground. Do you favor this plan?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	207	79.3	79.6	79.6
	No	27	10.3	10.4	90.0
	Uncertain	26	10.0	10.0	100.0
	Total	260	99.6	100.0	
Missing	System	1	.4		
Total		261	100.0		

**6. Would you like to see more non-motorized pathways developed that would extend into your jurisdiction and possibly connecting to other communities' path systems?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	191	73.2	73.2	73.2
	No	45	17.2	17.2	90.4
	Uncertain	25	9.6	9.6	100.0
	Total	261	100.0	100.0	

**7. If an up to 1 mill request was made by the Recreation Authority to create new recreation facilities and/or improve or repair existing facilities, would you support that request?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	159	60.9	61.2	61.2
	No	50	19.2	19.2	80.4
	Uncertain	51	19.5	19.6	100.0
	Total	260	99.6	100.0	
Missing	System	1	.4		
Total		261	100.0		

**8. If a Recreation Center were to be developed in the Fremont Area, either indoor or outdoor, what kind of activities or amenities would you like to see?**

	Percent	Count
Tennis	9.6	25
Racquetball/Handball	9.2	24
Weight/Fitness room	13.8	36
Pool	21.8	57
Jogging/Walking track	20.3	53
Ice rink	13.8	36
Child care	1.1	3
Youth football field	3.4	9
Youth baseball field	8.8	23
Youth soccer field	7.3	19
Concession/Bathrooms building	1.5	4
Other indoor activity/Amenity	20.7	54
Other outdoor activity/Amenity	14.9	39

**Other - indoor activity:**

Activity	Frequency
Basketball	15
Rollerskating	10
Skate park	3
Soccer	9
Volleyball	6
Hockey	2
Exercise classes/Aerobics	2
Dodgeball	2
Activities for youth	6
Anything built would be used	1
More facilities for home school students	1
Climbing wall	2
Crafts/Environmental studies	1
Family organized activity	1
Jumpalene (like a moonwalk)	1
Plays	1
Pool table and arcade indoors (for age 14-19)	1
Snack Bar- with adequate supervision	1
Water aerobics	1
Ice rink with dome cover	1

**Other - outdoor activity:**

Activity	Frequency
Basketball	5
Biking	10
Hiking	5
Groomed cross country skiing	3
Go carts	2
Volleyball	2
Skate park	3
Nature/Environmental studies	2
Activities for youth	1
Anything outdoors	1
Archery/Crafts	1
Climbing wall/High ropes course	1
Gathering building	1
Miniature golf	1
Golf course	1
Picnic	2
Public shooting range	1
Snack bar, hockey, soccer – with adequate supervision	1
Outdoor pool with water slides, could charge	1

**9. Are there any other improvements or additional recreational facilities that you would like, that I have not mentioned?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	39	14.9	22.0	22.0
	No	138	52.9	78.0	100.0
	Total	177	67.8	100.0	
Missing	System	84	32.2		
Total		261	100.0		

**10. Please describe what they are:**

- A place for small boats to be moored/Low end boat slips
- Better boat launch at Sheridan Twp with longer dock on the south side
- Better maintenance of current playground equipment
- Better parking for public fishing access on First Lake
- Biking trails
- City of Fremont should print map of existing pathways
- Clean up woods area; clean up trash (down hill from baseball field)
- Computer and/or technology labs, like photography studios; dirt bike trails

Extended hours for walking in gym after supper, or at gym and fitness center; more things for children

Fishing for kids

Freemont Lake is really nice lake, but needs to be maintained better. Pool at high school should be open to general public not just water aerobics, should offer lessons etc.

Fremont wants to expand, have to attract people to community from Grand Rapids and surrounding areas

Gun Club

Hockey facility in Branstrom needs improving, also when making improvements on facilities use durable materials that don't need replacing as often

Patrolling on bikes by authorities

Improve cross country trails

Improve frisbee golf course

Indoor walking area - someplace you don't have to pay

Kids need more bike trails

Early American theme extended to downtown

More nature trails and pathways for people with ATVs, are few trails for motorcycles but not safe enough for senior citizens to ride ATV's

More opportunities to sled for kids

More public docks at Three Mile Lake

More weight rooms, archery

Need more

New high school swimming pool

Outdoor ice rink should be kept up - usually left unattended, doesn't get smoothed out

Miniature golf at the Cedar Street building

Skate park indoor, laser tag, teen facility

Skating rink - is always reserved for sports and not accessible to public

Sledding

Sledding hill at Branstrom needs to be maintained better, enlarge area to make safer, maybe a tow-rope, supervision, always too crowded

Snowmobile riding allowed on certain pathways

Soccer field indoors

Something [at the] old Walmart site

Something additional for older kids

Teen center and day camp type of activities that are supervised

Continue path so that you can walk safely

Would like to see activities for young people because there are none now

11. Overall, how satisfied are you with available recreational facilities/programs in the Fremont Area?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Very Satisfied	64	24.5	24.6	24.6
	Somewhat Satisfied	133	51.0	51.2	75.8
	Neither Satisfied nor Dissatisfied	51	19.5	19.6	95.4
	Somewhat Dissatisfied	9	3.4	3.5	98.8
	Very Dissatisfied	3	1.1	1.2	100.0
	Total	260	99.6	100.0	
Missing	System	1	.4		
Total		261	100.0		

12. What satisfies you most about these facilities & programs in the Fremont Area?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Proximity	47	18.0	24.6	24.6
	Condition	21	8.0	11.0	35.6
	Variety	47	18.0	24.6	60.2
	Quality	23	8.8	12.0	72.3
	Availability	13	5.0	6.8	79.1
	Other	40	15.3	20.9	100.0
	Total	191	73.2	100.0	
Missing	System	70	26.8		
Total		261	100.0		

**Other – satisfies most:**

	Frequency
Not applicable	218
Activities for youth	5
An initial presence in the community	1
Area lends itself to enjoyment of the facilities	1
At least there is something versus nothing	1
Bike paths	1
Both proximity and condition, would not go if one or the other did not apply	1
Branstrom Park is wonderful facility; want it preserved for future generations	1
Continually growing and improving, good rec. program for youth in summer	1
Cost	4
Doesn't like buildings being scattered, also lacks completion	1
Enjoyed small bands, sitting on benches/lawn chairs and listening	1
Expansion of hiking, biking and walking trails	1
Family facility	1
Family oriented programs	1
For therapy	1
Initiative that the community is taking	1
Not sure; haven't thought about it	1
Lots of younger children facilities but teen age group is in need	1
Love that we have a 36 hole frisbee golf	1
Naturalistic element, experiencing nature	1
No fees charged for use	1
Not sure, because have not used in several years, but did enjoy the facilities in the past	1
Operating hours - early morn for seniors/evening for children and adults	1
Park is good, skateboard place, ice cream - keep doing things for the kids	1
Pathways	1
Still natural	1
The fact that they are there	1
The fact that they keep expanding, realizing that more is needed for young people in area	1
Friendly people	1
Things are kept up/clean, especially boat ramps	1

Trails especially Town and Country Trail	1
Very family friendly providing bathrooms, pathways etc. (from New England, this is not a privilege at our parks)	1
Walk the trails and enjoy nature	1
Walking trails and ability to go fishing in the lakes around the area	1
Walking trails and skate park	1
Well kept	1
Total	261

**13. What dissatisfies you most about these facilities & programs?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Proximity	1	.4	8.3	8.3
	Variety	1	.4	8.3	16.7
	Quality	1	.4	8.3	25.0
	Other	9	3.4	75.0	100.0
	Total	12	4.6	100.0	
Missing	System	249	95.4		
Total		261	100.0		

**Other – dissatisfies most:**

	Frequency
Not applicable	252
Need community center to meet people, visit, and have coffee after exercising, good shower facilities; could charge or sell memberships	1
No fitness gym	1
Not enough indoor facilities	1
Not up-to-date, no facilities indoors	1
Nothing available for teens to occupy their time	1
Nothing available nearby for smaller children	1
Wish more activities available (recreation center & facilities)	1
Public should have use of a track and pool	1
Lack of facilities and programs; too far away	1
Total	261

**14. Where do you get most of your information about recreation in the Fremont Area?**

	Frequency	Percent
City or Township Mailings	40	15.3
Web sites	7	2.7
City and Township Officials	22	8.4
Newspapers	161	61.7
Public School Literature	74	28.4
Word of Mouth	150	57.5
Radio	14	5.4
Other	23	8.8

Note: Some respondents selecting "Other" indicated they worked for the City of Fremont or surrounding townships, or had lived there all of their lives and "just knew about it."

**15. Would you like to see the Fremont Community have more recreational facilities?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	181	69.3	73.3	73.3
	No	66	25.3	26.7	100.0
	Total	247	94.6	100.0	
Missing	System	14	5.4		
Total		261	100.0		

**16. Would you be willing to contribute money to help pay for new recreational facilities?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	129	49.4	77.2	77.2
	No	38	14.6	22.8	100.0
	Total	167	64.0	100.0	
Missing	System	94	36.0		
Total		261	100.0		

**17. Which of the following age categories do you fall under?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	18-25	14	5.4	5.4	5.4
	26-35	25	9.6	9.6	14.9
	36-49	63	24.1	24.1	39.1
	50-59	57	21.8	21.8	60.9
	60-69	53	20.3	20.3	81.2
	70 and over	49	18.8	18.8	100.0
	Total	261	100.0	100.0	

**20. Gender:**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Male	122	46.7	46.7	46.7
	Female	139	53.3	53.3	100.0
	Total	261	100.0	100.0	

### 3.0 RESULTS BY JURISDICTION

A series of cross-tabulation analyses, all survey variables by jurisdiction, was conducted for the purpose of further exploring the data. Chi-square analyses, which compare obtained frequencies with expected frequencies, identify significant findings. An asterisk (\*) denotes survey variables found to have a statistically significant interaction with jurisdiction.

#### Parks visited in the Fremont Area

	Total	City of Fremont	Sheridan Charter Twp	Dayton Twp	Sherman Twp
<b>Branstrom Park</b>	<b>55.6%</b>	61.6%	52.9%	56.6%	43.6%
<b>*Fremont Lake Park</b>	<b>57.9</b>	64.6	45.7	69.8	46.2
<b>*Sheridan Twp Boat Launch/Playground</b>	<b>4.2</b>	0	11.4	3.8	2.6
<b>Veterans Memorial Park</b>	<b>46.0</b>	51.5	41.4	45.3	41.0
<b>Fremont Skate Park</b>	<b>4.2</b>	3.0	5.7	0	10.3
<b>Crystal Lake Boat Launch/Beach</b>	<b>1.1</b>	0	1.4	3.8	0
<b>Other</b>	<b>8.8</b>	10.1	12.9	1.9	7.7

#### Lakes visited in the Fremont Area

	Total	City of Fremont	Sheridan Charter Twp	Dayton Twp	Sherman Twp
<b>*Fremont Lake</b>	<b>77.4%</b>	84.8%	78.6%	81.1%	51.3%
<b>*Crystal Lake</b>	<b>14.9</b>	10.1	12.9	13.2	33.3
<b>*Robinson Lake</b>	<b>6.9</b>	2.0	10.0	3.8	17.9
<b>Second/Third Lake</b>	<b>11.1</b>	10.1	14.3	15.1	2.6
<b>Other</b>	<b>17.6</b>	14.1	20.0	17.0	23.1

Recreational activities participated in:

	Total	City of Fremont	Sheridan Charter Twp	Dayton Twp	Sherman Twp
Multipurpose Court / Ice Rink	5.7%	6.1%	2.9%	7.5%	7.7%
Branstrom Playground	9.2	14.1	4.3	7.5	7.7
Branstrom Picnic Areas	10.3	9.1	8.6	13.2	12.8
Branstrom Lodge	1.9	1.0	4.3	1.9	0
Branstrom Sledding Hill	18.8	20.2	11.4	26.4	17.9
Branstrom Frisbee/Disc Golf Course	6.1	7.1	4.3	5.7	7.7
Branstrom Baseball Field	10.3	6.1	11.4	17.0	10.3
Fremont Lake Beach	17.6	16.2	14.3	20.8	23.1
Fremont Lake Playground	22.2	24.2	18.6	20.8	25.6
Fremont Lake Picnic / Pavilions	17.2	14.1	17.1	20.8	20.5
Fremont Lake Beach Volleyball	1.1	0	0	1.9	5.1
The Swirl	31.8	29.3	34.3	26.4	41.0
Fremont Lake Campground	1.5	1.0	0	1.9	5.1
Veterans Park Playground	12.6	15.2	7.1	13.2	15.4
Sheridan Twp Playground	1.1	1.0	1.4	0	2.6
Fremont School Playgrounds	6.5	5.1	7.1	5.7	10.3
Other - 1	21.8	23.2	25.7	20.8	12.8
Other - 2	4.2	7.1	2.9	3.8	0
Other - 3	1.9	2.0	1.4	1.9	2.6

Have you walked, hiked, biked, or inline skated on the Town & Country Path or in Branstrom Park or Sheridan Township's forest property?

	Total	City of Fremont	Sheridan Charter Twp	Dayton Twp	Sherman Twp
*Town & Country Path	29.5%	40.4%	22.9%	28.3%	15.4%
Branstrom Nature Trails	40.6	45.5	42.9	39.6	25.6
Sheridan Twp Nature Trails	3.1	3.0	5.7	0	2.6

\*There are plans to extend the Town & Country Path around the west side of Fremont Lake south, then east to the Sheridan Township boat launch / playground. Do you favor this plan?

	Total	City of Fremont	Sheridan Charter Twp	Dayton Twp	Sherman Twp
Yes	79.6%	89.8%	82.9%	64.2%	69.2%
No	10.4	5.1	10.0	18.9	12.8
Uncertain	10.0	5.1	7.1	17.0	17.9

\*Would you like to see more non-motorized pathways developed that would extend into your jurisdiction and possibly connecting to other communities' path systems?

	Total	City of Fremont	Sheridan Charter Twp	Dayton Twp	Sherman Twp
Yes	73.2%	80.8%	78.6%	60.4%	61.5%
No	17.2	10.1	15.7	22.6	30.8
Uncertain	9.6	9.1	5.7	17.0	7.7

\*If an up to 1 mill request was made by the Recreation Authority to create new recreation facilities and/or improve or repair existing structures, adding additional pathways, etc. would you support that request?

	Total	City of Fremont	Sheridan Charter Twp	Dayton Twp	Sherman Twp
Yes	61.2%	71.4%	60.0%	56.6%	43.6%
No	19.2	12.2	21.4	26.4	23.1
Uncertain	19.6	16.3	18.6	17.0	33.3

If a Recreation Center were to be developed in the Fremont Area, what kind of activities or amenities would you like to see?

	Total	City of Fremont	Sheridan Charter Twp	Dayton Twp	Sherman Twp
Tennis	9.6%	10.1%	5.7%	13.2%	10.3%
*Racquetball / Handball	9.6	13.1	1.4	9.4	15.4
Weight / Fitness room	13.8	19.2	5.7	13.2	15.4
Pool	21.8	27.3	15.7	22.6	17.9
*Jogging / Walking track	20.3	30.3	11.4	17.0	15.4
Ice rink	13.8	13.1	11.4	18.9	12.8
Child care	1.1	2.0	0	0	2.6
Youth football field	3.4	5.1	2.9	1.9	2.6
Youth baseball field	8.8	6.1	10.0	11.3	10.3
Youth soccer field	7.3	6.1	8.6	5.7	10.3
Concessions / Bathrooms	1.5	3.0	0	0	2.6
Other indoor activity / Amenity	20.7	21.2	14.3	26.4	23.1
Other outdoor activity / Amenity	14.9	15.2	15.7	17.0	10.3

Are there any other improvements or additional recreational facilities that you would like, that I have not mentioned?

	Total	City of Fremont	Sheridan Charter Twp	Dayton Twp	Sherman Twp
Yes	22.0%	21.9%	17.3%	25.6%	27.3%
No	78.0	78.1	82.7	74.4	72.7

Overall, how satisfied are you with the available recreational facilities & programs in the Fremont Area?

	Total	City of Fremont	Sheridan Charter Twp	Dayton Twp	Sherman Twp
Very Satisfied	24.6%	27.3%	24.6%	24.5%	17.9%
Somewhat Satisfied	51.2	56.6	47.8	45.3	51.3
Neither Satisfied nor Dissatisfied	19.6	13.1	21.7	20.8	30.8
Somewhat Dissatisfied	3.5	2.0	4.3	7.5	0
Very Dissatisfied	1.2	1.0	1.4	1.9	0

What satisfies you most about these facilities & programs?

	Total	City of Fremont	Sheridan Charter Twp	Dayton Twp	Sherman Twp
Proximity	24.6%	22.2%	22.4%	42.9%	11.5%
Condition	11.0	12.3	6.1	5.7	23.1
Variety	24.6	25.9	24.5	25.7	19.2
Quality	12.0	13.6	12.2	2.9	19.2
Availability	6.8	6.2	10.2	8.6	0
Other	20.9	19.8	24.5	14.3	26.9

What dissatisfies you most about these facilities & programs?

	Total	City of Fremont	Sheridan Charter Twp	Dayton Twp	Sherman Twp
Proximity	8.3%	0%	25.0%	0%	0%
Condition	0	0	0	0	0
Variety	8.3	0	25.0	0	0
Quality	8.3	0	0	20.0	0
Other	75.0	100.0	50.0	80.0	0

**Where do you get most of your information about recreation in the Fremont Area?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>City of Fremont</b>	<b>Sheridan Charter Twp</b>	<b>Dayton Twp</b>	<b>Sherman Twp</b>
<b>*City or Township Mailings</b>	<b>15.3%</b>	26.3%	10.0%	5.7%	10.3%
<b>Web sites</b>	<b>2.7</b>	3.0	1.4	3.8	2.6
<b>City and Township Officials</b>	<b>8.4</b>	11.1	8.6	5.7	5.1
<b>Newspapers</b>	<b>61.7</b>	60.6	58.6	66.0	64.1
<b>Public School Literature</b>	<b>28.4</b>	28.3	20.0	37.7	30.8
<b>Word of Mouth</b>	<b>57.5</b>	56.6	58.6	58.5	56.4
<b>Radio</b>	<b>5.4</b>	5.1	1.4	9.4	7.7
<b>Other</b>	<b>8.8</b>	10.1	10.0	9.4	2.6

**Would you like to see the Fremont Community have more recreational facilities?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>City of Fremont</b>	<b>Sheridan Charter Twp</b>	<b>Dayton Twp</b>	<b>Sherman Twp</b>
<b>Yes</b>	<b>73.3%</b>	77.8%	65.7%	73.1%	76.3%
<b>No</b>	<b>26.7</b>	22.2	34.3	26.9	23.7

**Would you be willing to contribute money to help pay for new recreational facilities?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>City of Fremont</b>	<b>Sheridan Charter Twp</b>	<b>Dayton Twp</b>	<b>Sherman Twp</b>
<b>Yes</b>	<b>77.2%</b>	80.3%	80.0%	78.8%	64.3%
<b>No</b>	<b>22.8</b>	19.7	20.0	21.2	35.7

Which of the following age categories do you fall under?

	Total	City of Fremont	Sheridan Charter Twp	Dayton Twp	Sherman Twp
18-25	5.4%	4.0%	10.0%	1.9%	5.1%
26-35	9.6	14.1	5.7	7.5	7.7
36-49	24.1	17.2	24.3	34.0	28.2
50-59	21.8	21.2	18.6	26.4	23.1
60-69	20.3	22.2	21.4	17.0	17.9
70 and over	18.8	21.2	20.0	13.2	17.9

Gender:

	Total	City of Fremont	Sheridan Charter Twp	Dayton Twp	Sherman Twp
Male	46.7%	41.4%	52.9%	43.4%	53.8%
Female	53.3	58.6	47.1	56.6	46.2