

fast facts

- 1883 Year MPRB established
- 15.4 million Estimated regional park visits
- 6 million Estimated neighborhood park visits
- 28 million Estimated miles traveled by trail users
- 251 Properties
 - 157 neighborhood parks
 - 22 regional parks and trails (94 properties)
- 6,790 Acres of parkland and water
- 600,000 Estimated number of trees
 - 200,00 boulevard trees
 - 400,000 park trees
- 49 Recreation centers
 - 47 operated by MPRB (1 to be rebuilt in 2015)
 - 2 operated by non-profit organizations
- 28 Computer labs open to the public
- 6 Skate parks
- 112 Playgrounds
- 63 Wading pools
- 2 Water parks
- 12 Authorized beaches
- 10 Fishing piers
- 5 Boat launches
- 10 Canoe launches
- 380 Sailboat buoys
- 438 Canoe/kayak racks
- 5 Outdoor performance stages
- 55 Miles of parkways
- 102 Miles of Grand Rounds trails
 - 51 miles walking; 51 miles biking trails
- 7 Dog off-leash recreation areas
- 12 Gardens
- 2 Bird sanctuaries
- 7 Golf courses
- 3 Golf driving ranges
- 3 Disc golf courses
- 1 Winter recreation area
- 2 Indoor ice arenas
- 47 Outdoor ice rinks
- 397 Multipurpose sports fields



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Minneapolis distinctions

- #1 Ranked Park System in the United States (second year in a row) – *The Trust for Public Land Parkscore® Index 2014*
- #1 Friendliest City – *Men's Health 2014*
- #3, Top 10 Best Cycling Towns – *USA Today 2014*
- #3, The 16 Best Places to Live in the United States – *Outside Magazine 2014*
- Top Five America's Favorite Cities (#1 for Public Parks) – *Travel + Leisure 2014*
- America's Fittest City – *American College of Sports Medicine's American Fitness Index 2014*



Contributing to a healthy community The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) promotes health and well-being for people of all ages and abilities through its wide range of amenities – parks, lakes, gardens and trails; and diverse programs – sports, entertainment, school-age child care and seasonal classes.

Safe places to gather The MPRB promotes crime prevention through the Park Police patrols, youth mentor programs, extended summer recreation center hours and provision of positive choices for leisure time. The MPRB also addresses safety through design when developing and redeveloping parks and trails.

Economic benefits Parkland and park amenities enhance the quality of life of residents and parks users, increase property values and make the City a desirable place in which to live, work and do business. MPRB programs, events and attractions stimulate spending within the City.

Protecting the environment The MPRB sustains diverse and essential ecosystems through sound environmental practices. Beyond their recreational uses and natural beauty, the urban forest, prairies, woodland, wetlands, lakes and waterways help provide the City with cleaner air and purer water.