# What can YOU do to help Flint Parks?



Volunteer at a park in your neighborhood. For more information on cleanups near you, visit the community calendar at www.lmagineflint.com

To be added to our volunteer database sign up at http://bit.ly/1DtdsUb or call 810-766-7426 x3028

Partner with Keep Genesee County Beautiful to adopt a park in your area.



The Adopt-A-Park Program is a collaborative effort to improve and maintain our parks. All but a few of the parks that have been adopted. For a list of parks that need adopters and more information, visit

KEEP GENESEE www.kgcb.net or call 810-767-9696



The City of Flint has formed partnerships in most of its 70 parks, many of which are with local block clubs and community groups.

Several major institutions have sponsored Flint parks as well, including Genesee County Parks & Recreation Commission, Friends of Berston and the Police Activities League.



### **Flint Parks System**

**Total Acres** 

70 Public Open Spaces

The National Recreation and Park Association recommends a standard of 10 acres of open space for every 1,000 residents. Flint has 18.5 acres of parkland per 1,000 residents!

The City of Flint exceeds the minimum recommended amount of parkland by 90%

27
Play Lots/
Mini Parks

Large Urban Parks **14**Neighborhood
Parks

Special Use Parks/ Golf Courses 16 Community Parks

> Community/ Senior Centers

Flint has a large parks infrastructure, and through partnerships and a very small yet dedicated staff, its condition has been improving. Currently, City staff are working on \$2.6 million in park grants and have completed \$1.4 million in projects since 2015.

## **Flint Parks Millage Renewal**

Following the adoption of the *Imagine Flint* Master Plan in 2013, Flint Parks & Recreation became a function of the Department of Planning & Development. In November 2016 the residents of Flint overwhelmingly supported, with 76% of the vote, the renewal of the 10-year parks millage. However, the revenue brought in by the millage has decreased by 60% in the last six years for a total of \$468,000.



Through partnerships and volunteer help, 23 playgrounds have been built since 2015!

# Parks Millage Spending for FY2018-2019 Mowing: \$148,300 Utilities: \$97,600 Other Services: \$38,000 Park Improvements: \$20,800 County Park Partnership: \$20,000

## **Major Grants**

Despite budget and staff constraints, the City continues to aggressively pursue grant funding to supplement the millage. Current and recent major projects include:

Haskell Center & Berston Center	\$100,000	Ongoing
McKinley Park	\$300,000	Ongoing
Chevy Commons & Riverbank Park	\$14 million+	Complete
City-wide Trail Projects	\$1.8 million	Complete
2015-2018 Playground Builds	\$700,000	Complete
Max Brandon Park	\$87,500	Complete
Brennan Park Phase I & II	\$85,500	Complete
Dewey Park / Foss Ave.	\$47,200	Complete

