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Your Input Can Shape the Future of Hunterdon County Parks & Open Space

Hunterdon County is creating a new Strategic Parks and Open Space Plan, a project led by Maser Consulting, P.A., assisted by GreenPlay, LLC. Your input will help the County to create a plan that meets the needs of the community and reflects the way Hunterdon County residents use its parks and open space.

The County invites all residents to participate in a short survey. Participating in the survey gives you an opportunity to voice your opinion. Answering survey questions will allow you to provide feedback about County owned and managed parks, the future of open space in the County, and the recreational programs available to you. Please share your thoughts by taking the online survey at <u>www.hunterdonsurvey.org/open</u>. A link to the survey will also be posted on the County's home page.

In addition to the online survey, 4,000 randomly-selected households in the county will receive a survey by mail. While the online survey results will be kept separate from the mailed survey responses, all responses will provide valuable feedback used to create the Hunterdon County Strategic Parks and Open Space Plan.

Survey questions will address what types of programs, facilities, and services residents want in their parks system, and where priorities should be placed.

The results of this survey, administered by RRC Associates, will provide critical information used to determine community values, satisfaction levels, needs and priorities for programs, spending, and acquisition, and demographics for the County's long-term planning efforts for parks and open space. All responses will be included in a final report that will inform the recommendations contained in the County's Strategic Parks and Open Space Plan.

Your opinion is important. County staff and officials encourage your participation, look forward to better understanding citizens' needs and thank you in advance for taking time to complete the survey.