

MADISON PARKS

# 2022 ANNUAL REPORT

BY THE NUMBERS

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Grand Opening  
Celebration at  
**Aldo Leopold  
Park** pump track

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# Equity • Public Health • Sustainability • Adaptability

Madison Parks continues to follow the four guiding lenses of equity, public health, adaptability and sustainability, as identified in the **2018-2023 Park and Open Space Plan**. The Parks and Open Space Plan serves as a guide to prioritize strategies across the park system and incorporated into our daily work. Through analyses and data, the 2022 Madison Parks Annual Report highlights this work.



**Equity:** The inherent worth of each individual in Madison should be esteemed and fostered, enabling them to reach full potential.



**Public Health:** The access and contribution to mental and physical health of a community.



**Sustainability:** Management of resources to promote welfare and equity for current and future generations.

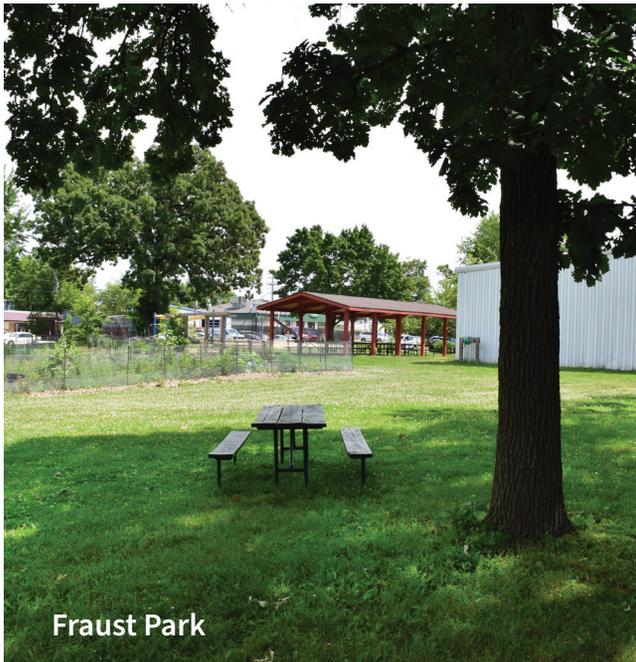


**Adaptability:** Preparedness and ability to respond to and recover from hazards and threats with minimal damage to safety, health, security, and the economy.

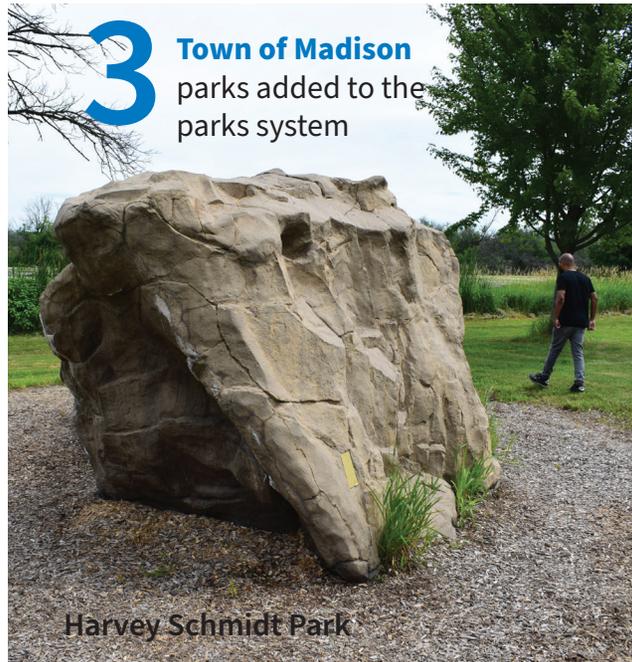


**33,281**  
admissions to the  
Goodman Pool

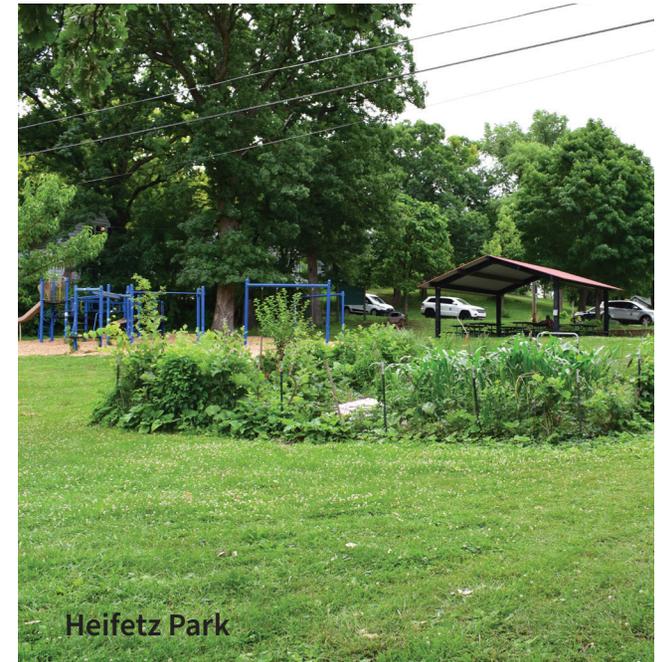
**3,352**  
scholarships



Fraust Park



Harvey Schmidt Park



Heifetz Park

**3** Town of Madison  
parks added to the  
parks system



**29** Parks Alive!  
events

Worthington Park



**3,152**  
attendees

Meadowood Park



**262** permitted park events,  
39% increase from 2021

Penn Park photo courtesy of Ju-Ju's Annual Block Party



**14** new youth referees trained through  
the **WPCRC** Referee Basketball  
Apprenticeship Program

Warner Park Community Recreation Center



**1,012** afterschool programming hours at WPCRC



**960** tulip and daffodil bulbs planted along [State Street and the Capitol Square](#)



**1,134** acres mowed within parks



**252** acres treated with [prescribed fire](#)

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Morning Café training sessions hosted by **Parks Equity Team** created **220** hours of enrichment and staff connection with local, regional and national equity leaders

Racial Equity & Social Justice Initiative

# CITY OF MADISON

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Madison Parks is dedicated to ensuring race will not limit access for people of color to our parks, natural resources, and recreation opportunities by service or design.



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design teams selected to participate in the **Lake Monona Waterfront Design Challenge**



Turville Point Conservation Park by Sandy Glodowski

60

acres selectively **grazed** in 8 parks



1,010

**425** trees planted in general parks and **585** native trees and shrubs planted in conservation and natural areas, replacing non-native buckthorn and honeysuckle in natural areas undergoing habitat restoration



**133,995**  
rounds of **golf** played



**14** events at  
**The Glen Golf Park**

**2,000+**  
attendees



**Westmorland Park**

**1** new **sport court**  
tile installed



**340,442**  
Olbrich Botanical  
Gardens visitors



**61,951**  
athletic  
reservation  
hours



**24,011** hours **volunteered** in Madison Parks and  
Olbrich Botanical Gardens

Earth Day Challenge | Pack 132, Door Creek Park by Erin Hughes



**1** park renamed,  
honoring  
**R. Richard Wagner**

Standing next to R. Richard Wagner Park sign left to right: Madison Park Superintendent, Eric Knepp; Madison Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway; District 4 Alder Mike Verveer; U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin; and Mark Webster