

Champaign Park District Trails Master Plan

Public Workshop #1

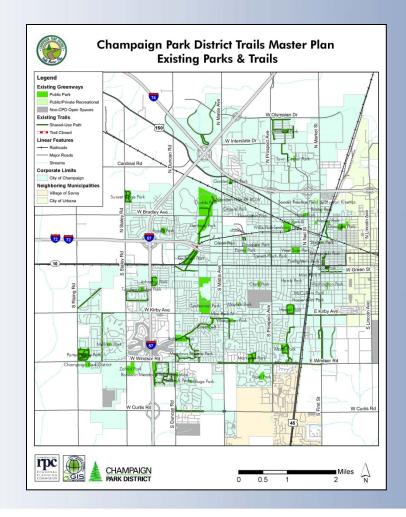
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Champaign Trail Network: 2015

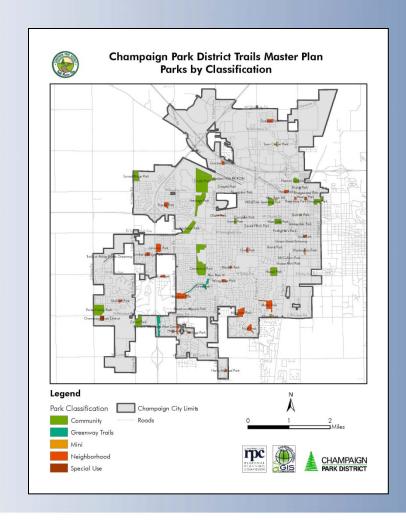
- 19.9 miles of shareduse trails in Champaign Park District
- 19.8 miles of trails & bikeways in the rest of Champaign





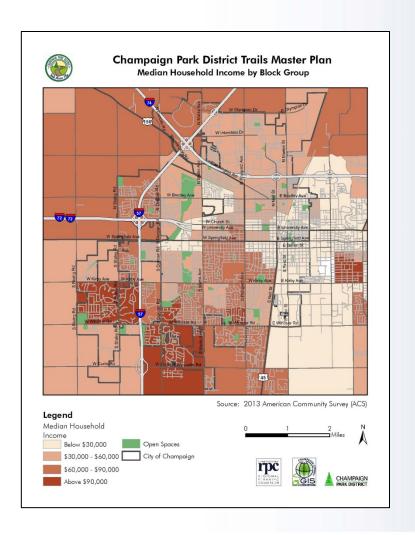
Existing Parks

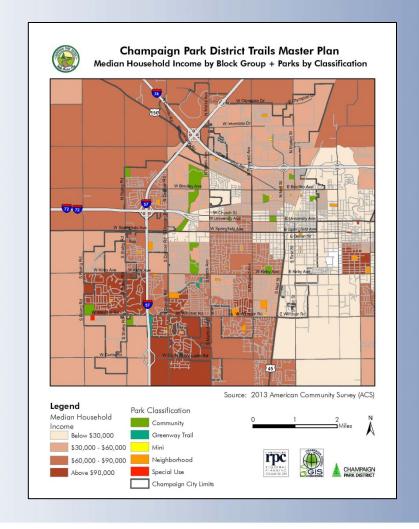
- Champaign Park Classification
 - Community (13)
 - ~16+ acres, 2 mile service area
 - E.g. Centennial, Dodds, Hessel, West Side
 - Neighborhood (27)
 - \sim 2-15 acres, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile service area
 - E.g. Clark, Hazel, Mullikin, Scott
 - Mini (19)
 - \sim 1,500 sq ft-2 acres
 - Special Use (1)
 - Champaign Bark District
 - Greenway Trails (3)
 - Greenbelt #1, Trails at Abbey Fields





Socioeconomic Profile







Literature Review

- 29 Local Level
 Documents
 - 4 Champaign Park
 District documents
- 2 State Level
 Documents
- Source of information for Land Acquisition Strategies

Literature Review



Champaign Park District Strategic Plan 2020 Vision (Champaign Park District, 2013)

The Chompaign Park District Strategic Plan 2020 Vision was created to update the Champaign Park District's Strategic Plan - A Decade of Excellence (2005-2015). The majority of goals and objectives in that strategic plan have been completed, so new plans were recommended in this document for the neat 7 years (2013-2020). One of this plan's key goals is to include input from Champaign Park District staff and community members. This plan directs the mission, vision, key strategies, goals and processes for the Champaign Park District to the more efficient and effective.

Connection to the CPD Trails Master Plan.

The plan cites survey results that show "walking and biking trails" as the most needed park and recreation facilities for households. Additionally, walking and biking trails are the first on the list of respondents' willingness to fund with tax dollars. One of the strategic plan goals is trail and park development.



Active Choices: Champaign County Greenways & Trails Plan (CCRPC, 2014)

The Active Choices Plan was created to foster interagency cooperation in Champaigin County to maximize the utility and success of generways and rull systems. It focuses on active transportation for recreation and transportation. This plan updates design guidelines, goals, and objectives for greenways and trails throughout Champaign County, It also updates recommendations by examining existing conditions, using community input, and identifying agas in the system.

Connection to the CPD Trails Master Plan:

Plan recommendations include potential connections between Champaign and other communities, and a prioritized project list. Statean project prioritization criteria were used to classify all proposed trail projects in Champaign County, including those planned by the Champaign Park District. The Champaign Park District also shares responsibility for implementing several plan goals and objectives; increasing parks and greenways, linking trails to activity centers, and improving existing trails.

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Off-Street Facilities

- Shared-Use Paths (Trail)
 - Off-Street
 - Through parks
 - Between neighborhoods
 - Rail-Trails
 - Utility easements
 - Waterway corridors
 - Sidepaths
 - Parallel to road
 - For busier, faster roads without many crossings
- Bike Paths





On-Road Facilities

- Bike Lanes
 - Both sides of the road
 - Stripe defines car/bike space
- Sharrows
 - Indicates proper bike position in shared lane
 - Can be used at intersections
- Bike Routes
 - Shared roadways
 - Signs should include:
 - Destination
 - Distance
 - Direction









Bike Parking

- Bicycle Parking
 - Recommended:
 - Inverted U racks
 - Post and Loop
 - Many other types are acceptable
 - Covered
 - Corral
 - Lockers



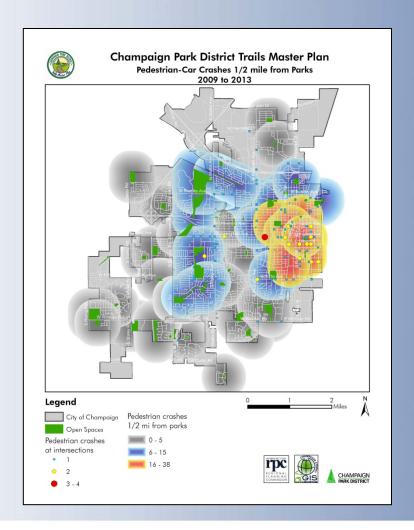






Pedestrian/Vehicle Crashes

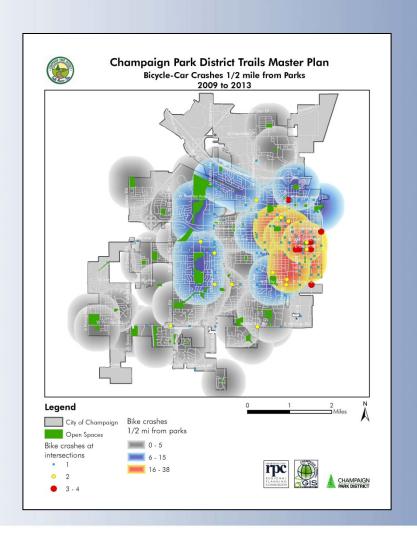
- 2009-2013: 117 crashes
 - 5 years
 - Most recent data
- Concentrations:
 - Downtown
 - University District
 - Springfield near Prospect





Bike/Vehicle Crashes

- 2009-2013: 66 crashes
 - 5 years
 - Most recent data
- Concentrations:
 - Downtown
 - University District
 - Bradley & Neil





Next Steps



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- CCRPC staff will compile comments from this workshop to discuss with the Champaign Trails Plan steering committee
- CCRPC staff will create a DRAFT plan for future trail conditions
 - Capacity / needs / desires
 - Develop trails strategies
 - Propose recommendations
- Public Meeting #2 Late Fall
 - Will see public input on proposed recommendations
- Plan Adoption End of 2015
- Trails Website:
 - cpdtrails.cuuats.org



Tonight

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- Input on current issues and needs related to trails in Champaign
- Agenda
 - Plan presentation DONE!
 - Vote on your TOP 4 land or easement acquisition areas for parks if you haven't yet
 - 15 minute group sessions for the 4 quadrants of Champaign
 - Comment cards for individual parks in Champaign
 - Wrap Up



Small group instructions

Pick a table...

- Divided by: Mattis & Springfield Avenues
- Northeast Champaign: North of Springfield Ave., East of Mattis Ave.
- Northwest Champaign: North of Springfield Ave., West of Mattis Ave.
- Southeast Champaign: South of Springfield Ave., East of Mattis Ave.
- Southwest Champaign: South of Springfield Ave., West of Mattis Ave.
- Mark:
 - Desired trails
 - Desired park connections
 - Desired features

15 MINUTES AT EACH TABLE!

