

Kirkwood Community Playground

Community Survey December 2019

Community Meeting January 18, 2020

Survey Results

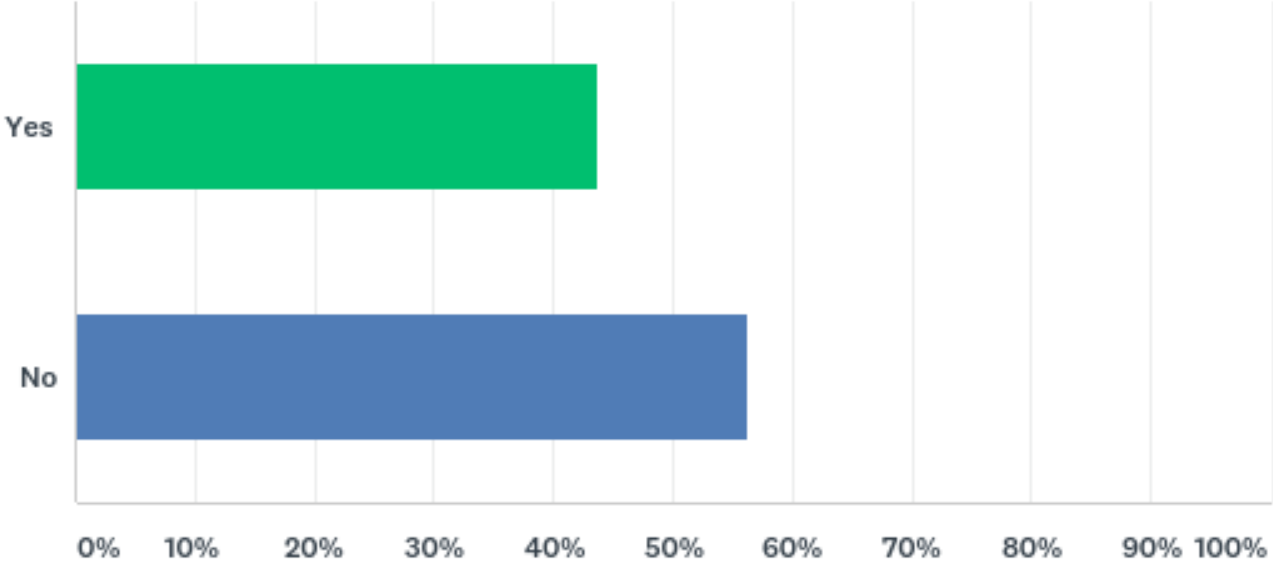
Background

- Playground equipment was installed in 1995.
- A certified inspection of the playground was completed this summer.
- Multiple deficiencies were identified.
- Staff remedied as many as possible.
- Safety issues remain with the play structure.
- The playground parcel is owned by Vail and leased to the KMPUD. Negotiations are underway to extend the lease.
- A small group of residents volunteered to work with the KMPUD.
- Their first objective is to hear from the community.

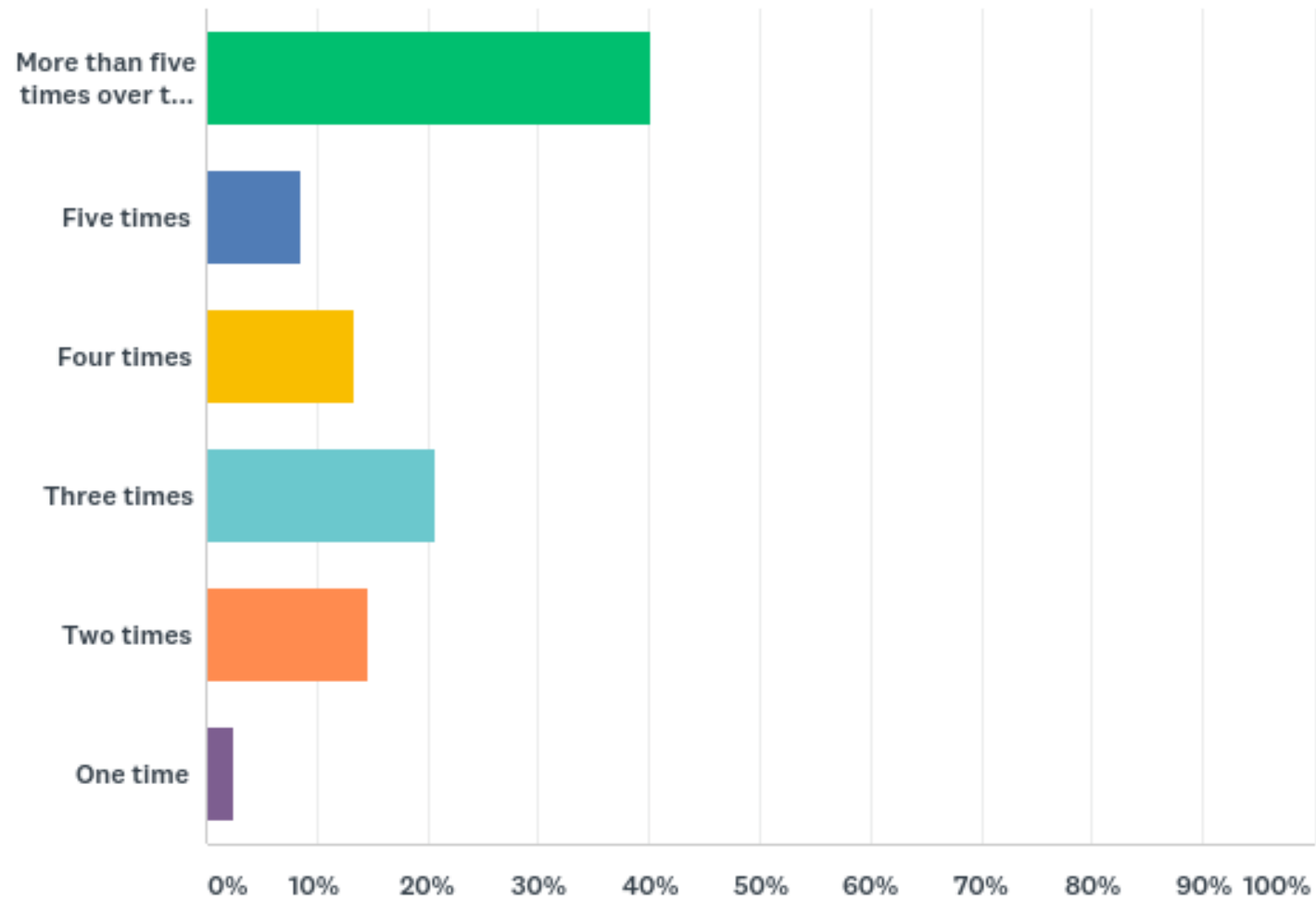
Community Outreach

- Created a survey to:
 - Understand who uses the playground during the summer months
 - Learn about the ages of the youth who visit the playground
 - Understand the importance of the playground
 - Determine what features the community would like
 - Seek community input on the future of the playground
- Share the results with the community
 - Survey link was sent to 1,000 email addresses
 - Close to 200 responses were received

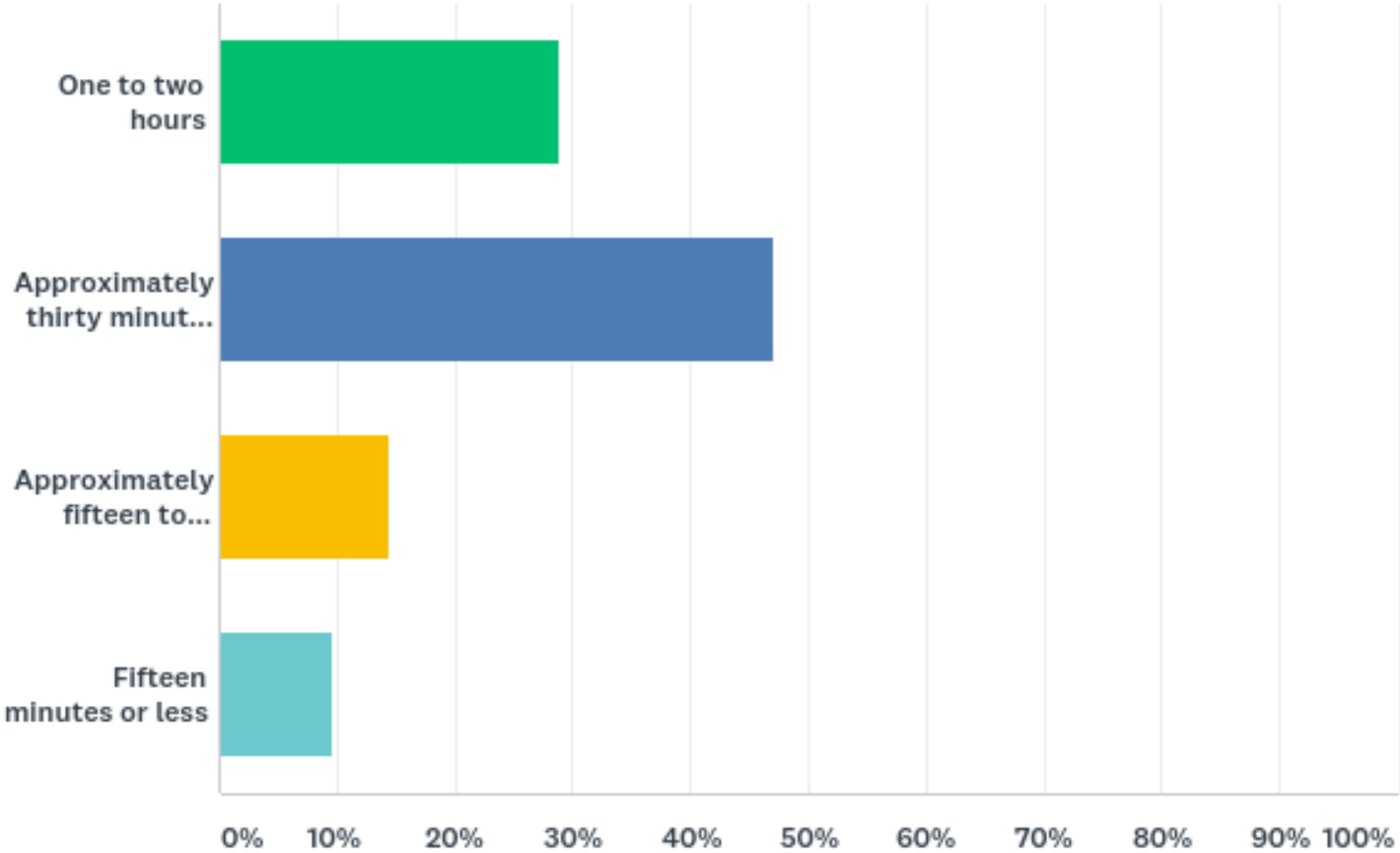
Q1 Do your family and your guests visit the Kirkwood Community Playground during the summer months? If the answer is no, skip to question 10 and complete the rest of the survey.



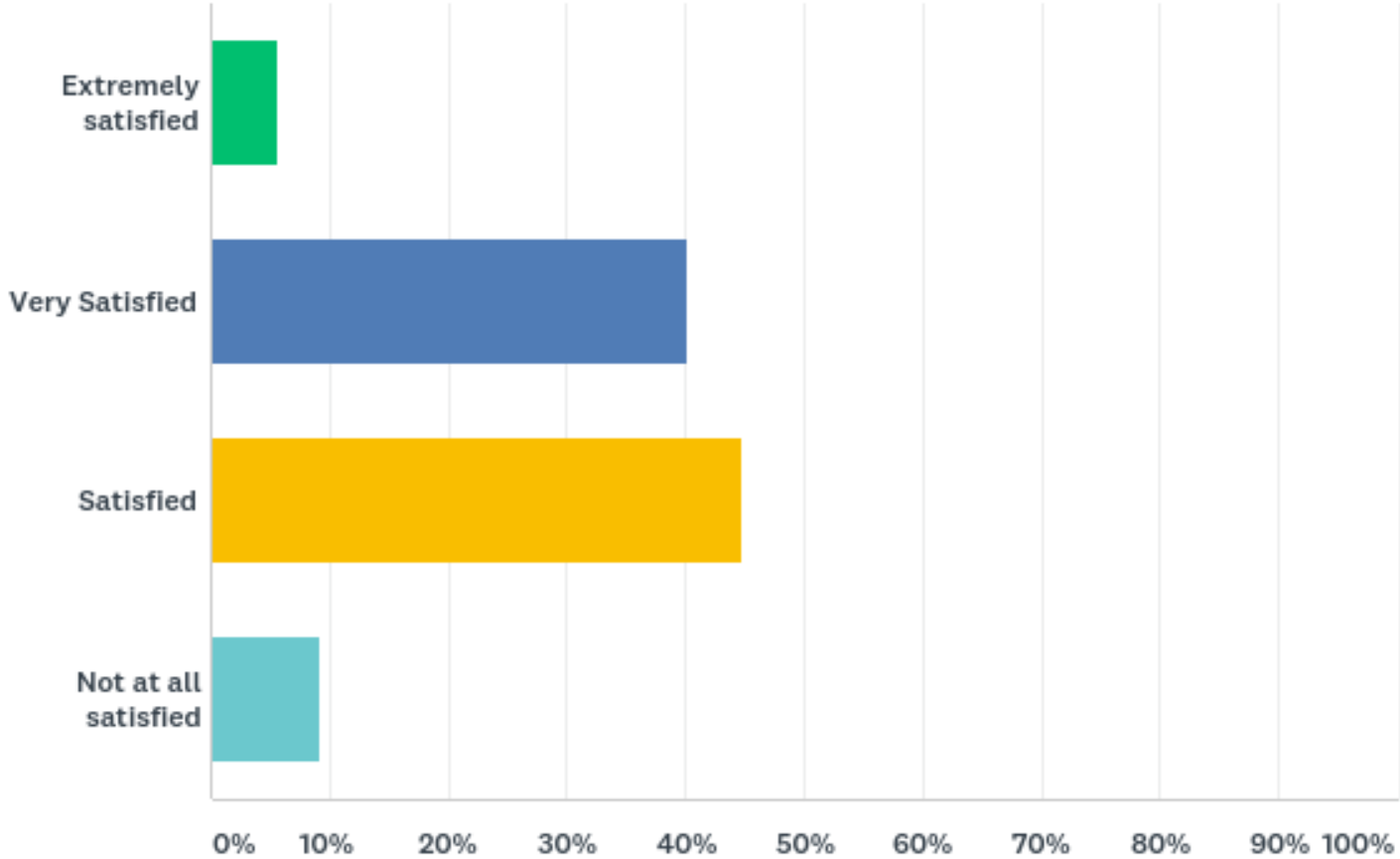
Q2 If you answered yes that you visit the playground during the summer, how many times during the summer months do you visit?



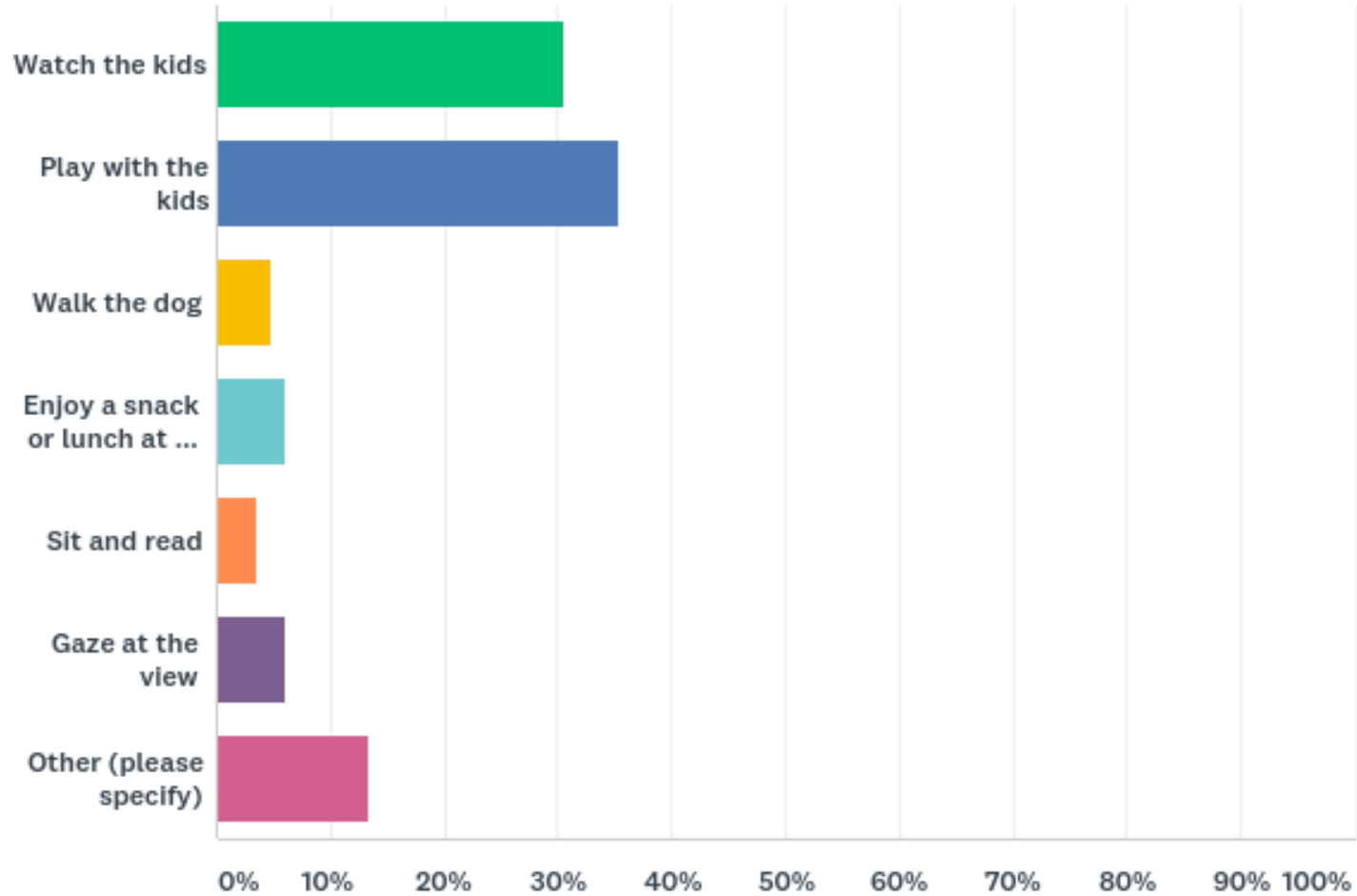
Q3 Typically how much time do you spend at the playground when you visit?



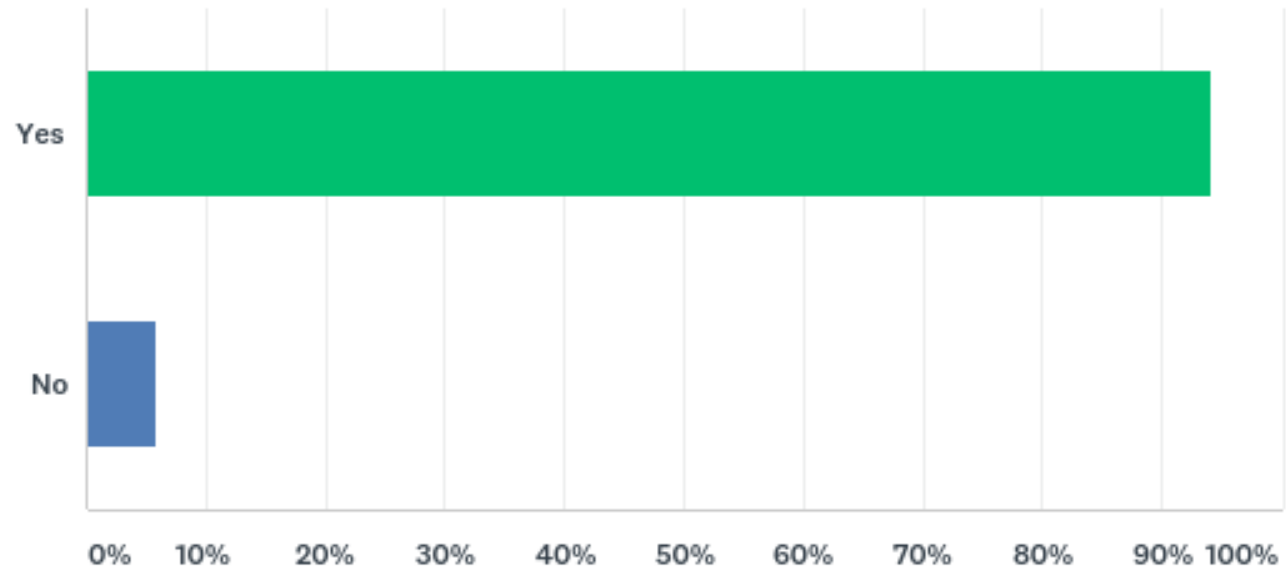
Q5 Please describe how satisfied you are with the play area.



Q6 How do you use the playground while your kids visit?



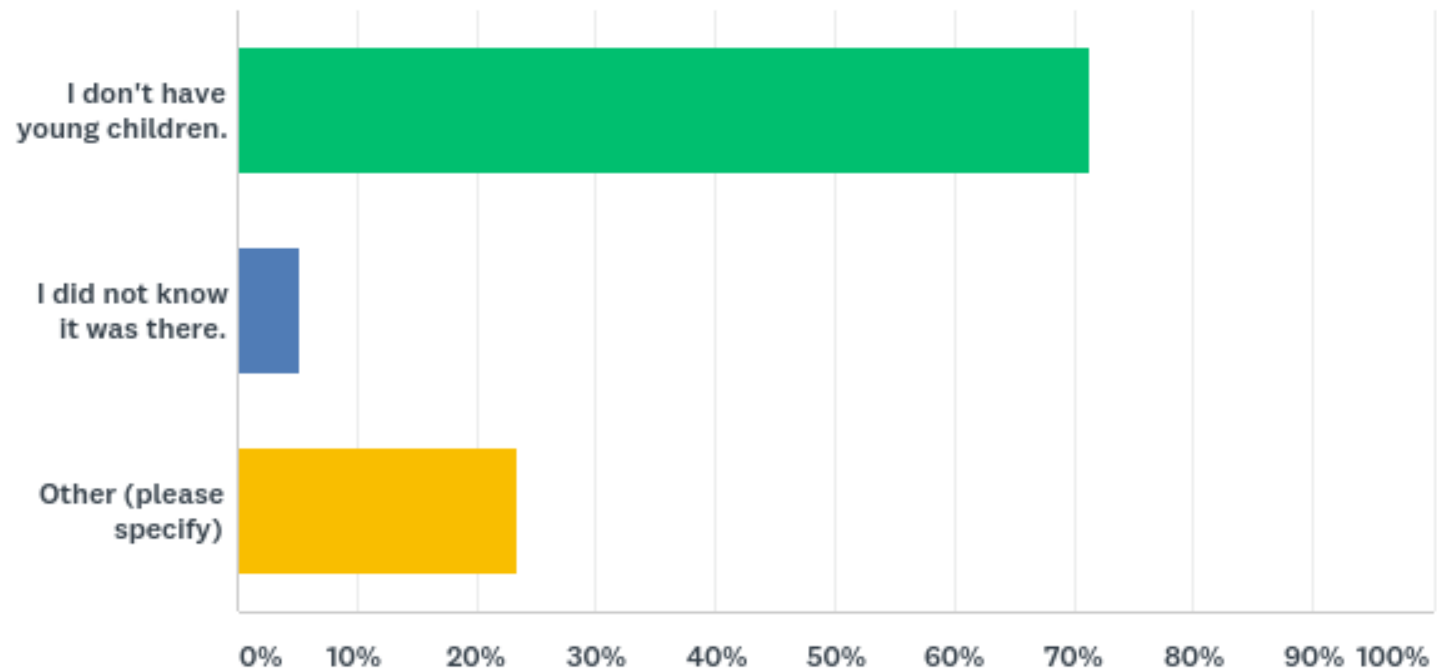
Q7 Do you feel the playground is safe for your children



Q8. What ages were the children that you brought to the playground in 2019?

Answer Choices	Number of Children	Percent of Responses
0 – 2 years of age	20	25%
3 – 5 years of age	40	51%
6 – 9 years of age	47	59%
10 – 12 years of age	22	28%
Over 12 years of age	11	14%
Total	142	

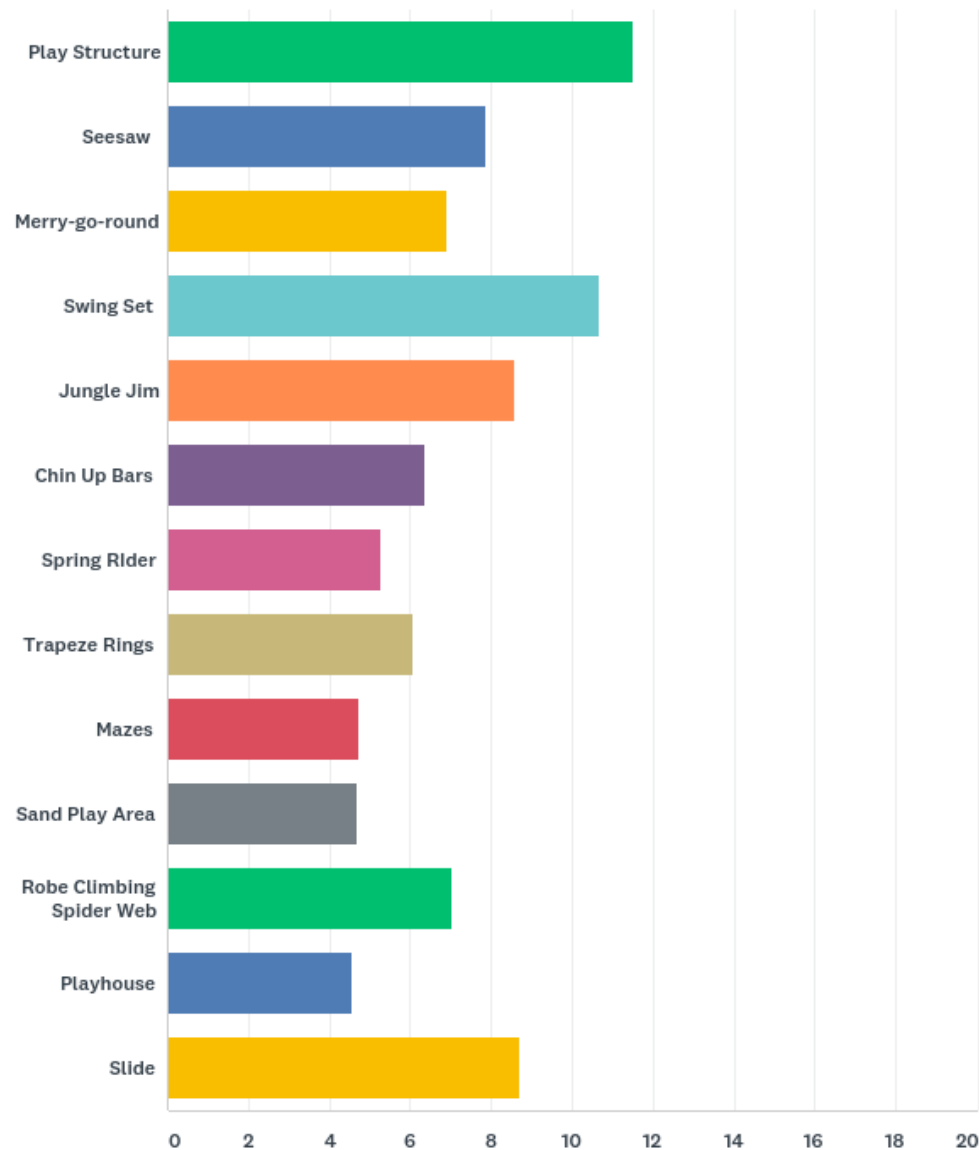
Q10 If you answered that you do not currently use the playground, please tell us why.



Q11. If you have children with you at Kirkwood but do not visit the playground, are there changes that we could make in a new design to make the playground more interesting?

- Include something for older kids such as climbing webs.
- Kids love to climb on things.
- Add balance features and a mini ropes course.
- Games like corn hole, bocce ball would be great.
- We used to use this all the time, but my kids grew up.
- It is silly to play on a playground when there are so many things to do outdoors. We have lots of playgrounds in the city.
- We don't need a playground; we have nature.

Q12 In designing the replacement playground, please list what is most important for your family. We would not expect to provide everything in the available space and budget. Please rank in order with 1 being most important. Drag and drop tiles most important at the top.



Feature Ranking

#1 Play Structure

#2 Swing Set

#3 Slide

#4 Jungle Gym

#5 Seesaw

#6 Rope Climbing Spider Web

Q13. Do you have any other thoughts or comments you would like to share about the playground space?

- There were lots of interesting questions and comments.
- These have been addressed in a document posted on www.kmpud.com/Projects/CommunityPlayground titled “Kirkwood Playground – Frequently Asked Questions”.

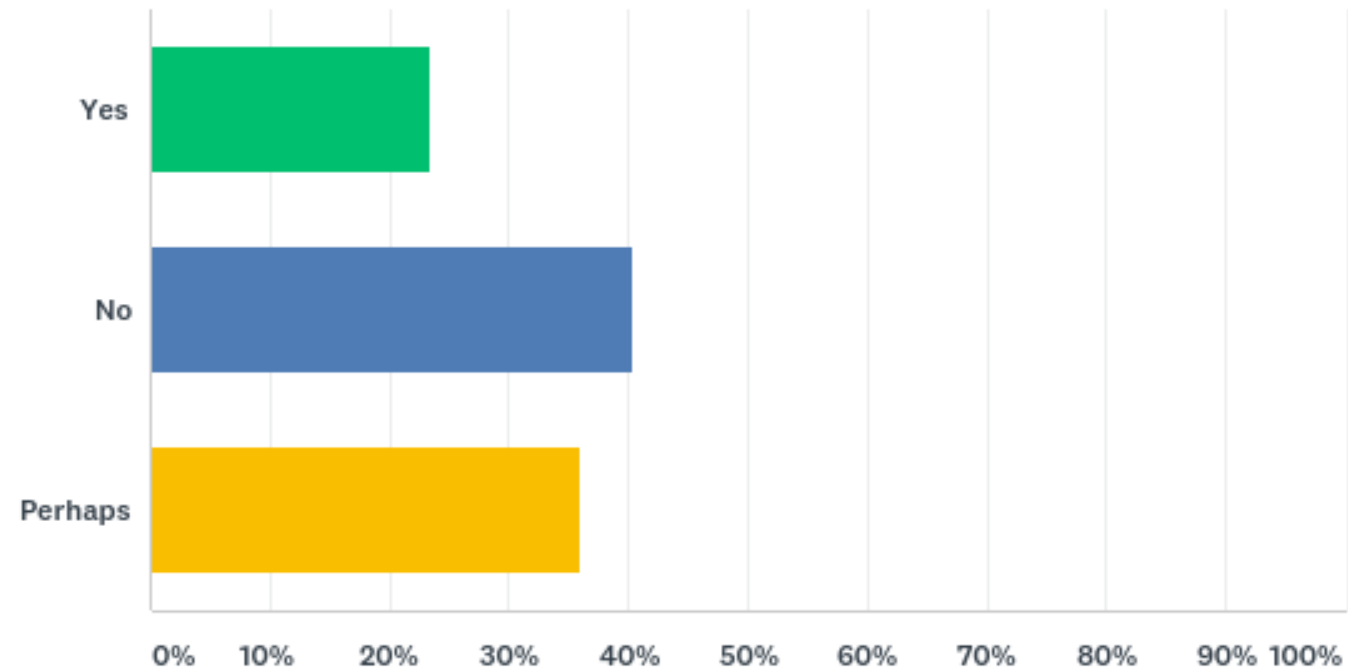
What was learned from the survey?

- The playground is used by families with children.

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- Important features: #1 Play Structure, #2 Swing Set, #3 Slide, #4 SeeSaw, #5 Jungle Gym & #6 Rope Climbing Spider Web

Q14 Would your household consider making a donation to the community playground?



Next Steps

- We will reach out to a few companies with RFPs, with the recognition of the ability (or need) to remove the playground each year will limit the type and weight of the playground structure options.
- Fundraising activities have commenced across the community.
- First donation has been received from Vail's *Epic Promise* program.
- As grants become available, applications will be submitted.
- The future of the playground depends on the entire community.