

**Damascus Township needs your help!** The township is developing a plan for the township park that will outline proposed improvements to the park for the next ten years. The master plan will guide township in seeking grant funding and allocating township resources to make improvements to the park.

**How can you help?** The following survey will provide valuable information to develop a long-term vision for the park. Answer each question as it pertains to your household's use or needs. If the most appropriate answer is not provided feel free to add comments or ideas.

There are three ways to submit your survey:

1. Complete the survey online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DamascusTownshipPark>
2. Deliver the completed paper survey to the Township's Municipal offices at 60 Conklin Hill Road, Damascus.
3. Mail the completed paper survey to: 60 Conklin Hill Road, Damascus, PA 18415.

**Interested in future information about the project?** There are several ways to stay up to date on the project:

1. Updates will be posted on the township's website.
2. Provide your email address. Periodic emails will be sent out to the community, especially during key milestones in the project.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_

3. Don't use a computer or email? Upon special request, we can mail updates.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/State/Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

### Section One - Demographics

1. How long have you been a resident of Damascus Township?

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 0 to 5 years  | <input type="checkbox"/> More than 20 years                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6 to 10 years | <input type="checkbox"/> I am not a resident of Damascus Township |

2. Are you a seasonal resident or full-time resident?

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Seasonal resident | <input type="checkbox"/> Full-time resident |
|--|---|

3. How did you learn about this survey?

- |                                       |   |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Poster       | <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper article      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Email        | <input type="checkbox"/> Friend / family member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter   | <input type="checkbox"/> Township website       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Facebook     | <input type="checkbox"/> Received in mail       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |   |

4. Please enter the total number of household members for each age group. If none, enter "0".

____ under 5	____ 6-14	____ 15-18	____ 19-29
____ 30-39	____ 40-49	____ 50-59	____ 60-69
____ 70-79	____ 80+		

5. What is your zip code? \_\_\_\_\_

### Section Two - Outdoor Recreation and Parks

The following set of questions pertains to your household's feedback on outdoor recreation and parks in general. They are not specific to Damascus Township Park.

6. How important are parks and recreation programs to your overall quality of life?

- |   |                                    |   |
|---|------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Very important | <input type="checkbox"/> Important | <input type="checkbox"/> Not important at all |
|---|------------------------------------|---|

7. On average, how often do you or members of your household visit a park?
- Daily  Several times per year  
 Several times per week  I do not visit parks  
 Several times per month
8. What are the primary reasons that you use parks? Check all that apply.
- Play organized sports  Exercise / fitness  
 Play individual sports  Attend public programming  
 Simple relaxation  Attend special events  
 Attend private party  Walk your dog  
 Spend time with family / friends  Participate in family activities  
 Walk or bike for exercise  Enjoy the outdoors or nature  
 We don't visit parks  Other: \_\_\_\_\_
9. Do you or any of your household members participate in organized sports? Check all that apply.
- Youth basketball  Adult basketball  
 Youth baseball  Adult baseball  
 Youth cross country/running  Adult football  
 Youth football  Adult lacrosse  
 Youth lacrosse  Adult soccer  
 Youth soccer  Adult softball  
 Youth softball  Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 We do not participate in organized sports.
10. What park(s) do you visit? Where do you play organized sports? Check all that apply.
- Damascus Township Park  Wayne Highlands School Grounds  
 Damascus Forest  Honesdale Area School Grounds  
 Damascus Elementary School  Delaware Youth Center  
 Wayne County Park  Callicoon Recreation Center  
 Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River  Other: \_\_\_\_\_
11. On average, how far do you travel to participate in an outdoor recreation?
- 0 to 5 miles  6 to 15 miles  16 to 25 miles  26+ miles

**Section Three – Damascus Township Park**

The following series of questions are regarding Damascus Township Park as it exists today. Please respond on behalf of your household's past and current use of the township park.

12. Are you familiar with Damascus Township Park?
- Yes (Go to Q13)  No (Skip to Q19)
13. What is your overall impression of Damascus Township Park?
- Good  Fair  Neutral  Poor
14. How would you rate the general upkeep and maintenance of Damascus Township Park?
- Excellent  Good  Ok  Poor
15. How often do members of your household use Damascus Township Park?
- Daily (Go to Q17)  Several times per year (Skip to Q16)  
 Several times per week (Go to Q17)  We do not visit Damascus Twp Park (Skip to Q19)  
 Several times per month (Go to Q17)

16. You indicated that your household seldom uses Damascus Township Park. What is the primary reason?

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Facilities not well maintained     | <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of facilities         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Not interested                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Feel unsafe                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No time                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Park is too crowded        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Too far / not conveniently located | <input type="checkbox"/> Do not have transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                        |   |

17. Please indicate how often you use the following **existing** facilities at the Damascus Township Park.

	Daily	Several Times Per Week	Several Times Per Month	Less than 6 Times Per Year	Never
Baseball Field	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Playground	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hiking Trail	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pavilion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Volleyball	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Horseshoes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heritage Barn	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Damascus Community Center	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other: _____					

18. What events at the Damascus Township Park has your household attended in the past? Check all that apply.

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4H Events / Meetings   | <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Society Meetings                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Benefit Dinners  | <input type="checkbox"/> Pancake Breakfast                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boy Scouts Events / Meetings   | <input type="checkbox"/> Penny Social                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Craft Sale   | <input type="checkbox"/> Private Party/Reception at the Pavilion         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Damascus Community Center  | <input type="checkbox"/> Private Party/Reception at the Community Center |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Easter Egg Hunt  | <input type="checkbox"/> Recycling                                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Management Meetings  | <input type="checkbox"/> Scrap Metal Drive                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flu Vaccine  | <input type="checkbox"/> Weavers/Spinners Guild                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food Pantry  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yard Sale                                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Haunted Barn / Trunk or Treat (current Halloween event)                | <input type="checkbox"/> Yoga  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Haunted Trail (Halloween event that was historically held in the park) |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____  |  |

Skip to Section 4 – The Future of Damascus Township Park.

19. You indicated that your household is not familiar with or does not use Damascus Township Park. What is the primary reason?

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Facilities not well maintained     | <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of facilities         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Not interested                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Feel unsafe                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No time                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Park is too crowded        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Too far / not conveniently located | <input type="checkbox"/> Do not have transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know where the park is       | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                |

## Section Four – The Future of Damascus Township Park

The following series of questions will help Damascus Township officials determine both short-term and long-term plans and improvements to Damascus Township Park. Please respond on behalf of how you and your household would like to see Damascus Township Park developed.

20. Which **amenities** would improve your household's experience at Damascus Township Park? Rank the importance to your household.

	Very Important	Important	Not important	No Opinion
Additional parking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bandshell / stage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Benches	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bike racks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Campfire pit	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cooking grills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Information kiosk	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lighting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Picnic tables	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Restrooms improvements	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

21. Which **activities** can be added to improve your experience at Damascus Township Park? Rank the importance to your household.

	Very Important	Important	Not important	No Opinion
Archery range	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Badminton	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Basketball	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bocce ball	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community garden	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Demonstration garden	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Disk / frisbee golf course	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Education Center	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fitness station / exercise equipment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gaga ball pit	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gymnasium	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Horseshoes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ice skating	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Meditation area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Miniature Golf	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mountain biking trails	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Multipurpose athletic field	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Outdoor classroom	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Playground improvements	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Skateboarding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ski Slope	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sleigh riding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Soccer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Splash park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shuffleboard	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Swimming pool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tennis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- Trail improvements
- Volleyball

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

22. What **indoor facilities** would improve your experience at Damascus Recreation Center in Damascus Township Park. Rank the importance to your household.

	Very Important	Important	Not important	No Opinion
Arts and crafts center	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Classroom space	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Climbing wall	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Multi-purpose gymnasium	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Indoor ice rink	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Indoor pool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Meeting/reception rooms	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Performing arts center	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sports courts (basketball, volleyball)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Weight/fitness room	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

23. What recreation programs would your household participate in at Damascus Township Park? Select all that apply.

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Concerts in the park       | <input type="checkbox"/> Movies in the park               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Holiday events in the park | <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor / environmental programs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fitness classes            | <input type="checkbox"/> After school programs            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Summer camp                | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                      |

24. Did we miss something? Please provide any additional comments here. The success of this project depends on the involvement of the community, so feel free to provide any comments, questions, or concerns.

---



---