

2022

Level of Service Report



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Lower Makefield Township Level of Service

US 2020 Census Data
Populations Number: 33,180
House Holds: 12,083

Land

NRPA Park Metrics Report 2021 National Average (Population 20,000-49,999)		
Lower Quartile	Mean	Upper Quartile
Lower Makefield Township Owns Approximately 1200 Acres of Open Space		
6	10	16
Please Note that Lower Makefield Township Does not have control of any facilities that are not owned by the Township.		

Land	Acres	Measurement	Residents
Standard parkland (Including Snipes Tract/Patterson usable acres)	280	8	1,000
Parkland that cannot be developed	49	1	1,000
Golf Course	181	5	1,000
Nature Areas Acres (Including 5-Mile Woods, Katherine Burk Nature Preserve, Penns Field Woods, Jennings Open Space)	347	11	1,000
Total Parkland	857	26	1,000
Other Open Space Owned by Lower Makefield Township			
Farmland (Agriculture)	183	6	1,000
Non-Delineated Open Space (Basins, fields, etc....)	160	5	1,000
Total Other Open Space	343	10	1,000
Other Open Space within Lower Makefield Township			
Farmland Preservation Cooperation Land	340	10	1,000
Delaware Canal State Park	37	1	1,000
Bucks County Land	38	1	1,000
School District Facilities			
Pennsbury School District Property within the Township	143	4	1,000

Level of Services is a measurement that will allow Elected Officials to make informed decisions about future Planning. The National Recreation and Parks 2021 Park Metrics Report was used a guideline throughout this report to display where Lower Makefield Township aligns among other Park Agencies with similar population. The Population measurement range we used was 20,000-49,999. Lower Makefield Township Population is 33,180 according to the 2020 Census.

Budget

					NRPA Park Metrics Report 2021 National Average (Population 20,000-49,999)		
Finance	2022 Budget	Current Level of Service			Lower Quartile	Mean	Upper Quartile
Total Budget Comparison	\$ 2,159,593.00				\$ 1,879,595	\$ 3,234,982	\$ 6,553,308
Total Budget Per Capita	\$ 2,159,593.00	1	Per Capita	\$ 65.09	\$ 60	\$ 101	\$ 196
Operating Expenditures Per Acre of Park Site (-Golf Course +5 Mile Woods)	\$ 2,159,593.00	1	Acre	\$ 3,955.30	\$ 4,458.00	\$ 9,002.00	\$ 21,147.00

Staff

Staff				Lower Quartile	Mean	Upper Quartile	
FTE	21	6.53	FTE Per	10,000	16.3	31.4	59.8

This should be a guide to determine next steps with future planning, but other information should also be included in the decision making process to included Park Specific Plans like the Master/Strategic Plan, The Open Space Plan, The Township Master Plan, The 2019 Sports Needs Assessment, and the 2022 Public Opinion Survey. In addition, future planning should consider current participation and future project participation and trends. This information can be found in the Parks and Recreation Annual Reports that are distributed and posted in August of each year.

Lower Makefield Township Facilities LOS compared to National Data From the 2021 NRPA Park Metrics' Report

Lower Makefield Township Facilities					NRPA Report	
Amenities					Median	Percent of Agencies
Aquatics Center (Outdoor)	1	1	Per Facility	33180	11000	25%
Turf (YMS Soccer Only)	1	1	Site Per	33180	22041	21%
Community Garden	1	1	Per site	33180	25480	48%
Community Center	1	1.0	Per Facility	33180	26009	59%
Dog Park	1	1	Site Per	33180	27528	65%
Nature Center	1	1	Site Per	33180	29790	32%
Baseball Adult	2	1	Field Per	16590	20522	51%
Soccer Adult	3	1	Field Per	11060	11161	44%
Football	3	1	Field Per	11060	16584	37%
Basketball	4	1	Field Per	8295	7000	87%
Baseball - Youth	5	1	Field Per	6636	5099	78%
Playground	7	1	Field Per	4740	2961	94%
Soccer-youth	7	1	Field Per	4740	5833	49%
Softball - Youth	7	1	Field Per	4740	9891	59%
Tennis Courts	13	1	Court Per	2552	4819	81%

Facilities Measured by NRPA, LMT does not currently accommodate

Softball - Adult	0	1	Field Per	0	11184	66%
Ice Rinks	0	1	Field Per	0	13049	18%
Lacrosse	0	1	Field Per	0	13333	11%
Field Hockey	0	1	Field Per	0	15007	4%
Cricket	0	1	Field Per	0	29401	12%
Skate Park	0	1	Field Per	0	31248	39%
Teen Centers	0	1	Field Per	0	32000	13%

Not Measured by NRPA				
LMT Facilities	Inventory			
18 Hole Golf Course	1	1	Course Per	33180
Bocce	2	1	Court Per	16590
Dedicated Pickleball	3	1	Court Per	11060
Driving Range	22	1	Hitting bay	1508
Paved Trails	27	1	Miles Per	1229
Picnic Pavilions	10	1	Site Per	3318
Sand Volleyball	9	1	Court Per	3687
Tennis/Pickleball	6	1	Court Per	5530
Unpaved Trails	9.6	1	Miles Per	3456

Other Sports not measured not available in LMT
Ultimate Frisbee
Disk Golf

Pennsbury School District		Pennsbury School District has several on site recreational facilities located within the Township. In some instances, it appears that Lower Makefield Township exceeds expectations if school recreational facilities are included in the overall count. However, use of these facilities are limited due to school activities and school sports which is the priority of the District.
Facilities	Inventory	
Multi-Purpose Field	5	
Soccer - Youth	10	
Football	1	
Base Ball	12	
Softball	4	
Basketball	5	
Playground	7	