

Cities Connecting Children to Nature Community Survey

**This survey is designed to be taken by anyone!  
Children and adults of ANY AGE are encouraged to take this survey.**

**Before we start, we want to give you a quick idea of what we mean by the word “nature”.**

**NATURE = parks, open fields, sports fields, your backyard, gardens, forests, hills, creeks, lakes, rivers, trees, plants, rocks, and the animals and insects that live there.**

\* 1. How old are you?

- 0-5
- 6-10
- 11-13
- 14-18
- 19+

\* 2. Are you a Parent / Guardian?

- Yes
- No

\* 3. What is your race / ethnicity?

- White (non-Hispanic)
- African-American
- Hispanic / Latino
- Asian
- Pacific Islander
- Two or More races
- Other (please specify)

\* 4. What is your zip code?

\* 5. What school do you go to? (if you are out of school type "not applicable")

\* 6. Where is your favorite place to spend time outside in nature?

- My Yard
- My Neighborhood
- My School
- Park near my home
- Sports Field
- Swimming Pool
- In the Creek / River / Lake / Woods
- Community Garden
- Other outdoor space (please specify)

\* 7. NOT INCLUDING SCHOOL how often do you spend 30 minutes or more outside in nature?

- Once a day
- Multiple times a week
- Once a week
- Once a month
- A couple of times a year
- Once a year

\* 8. AT YOUR SCHOOL how many hours a day do you spend outside? (if applicable)

- Less than 1 hour a day
- About 1 hour a day
- About 2 hours a day
- 3 or more hours a day
- Not applicable

\* 9. What are the main reasons you don't spend more time outside in nature? Check up to 3

- No parks near my home
- I'd rather be inside / I don't like spending time outside
- I feel unsafe in parks near my home
- I could get hurt
- Health issues
- Outdoor activities cost too much
- I don't have enough time
- My parents don't like to spend time outside
- I'd don't know what to do in nature
- The parks close to me aren't very nice
- Too hot in the summer
- Other (please specify)

\* 10. On a scale of 1 - 5 how important is it to you to spend time outside in nature?

1 = NOT important      5 = VERY important

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

\* 11. I want more \_\_\_\_\_ in my neighborhood. *Fill in the blank with the answer that is most important to you:*

- More nature activities and programs (camps, classes, fieldtrips)
- More hiking, biking and walking trails
- More trees, open fields, ponds, creeks, and parks
- Better park facilities (bathrooms, equipment, lighting)
- Other (please specify)