



KITSAP COUNTY PARKS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, June 18, 2025

TIME: 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

LOCATION: This is a hybrid meeting. It will be held in-person at the Eagle's Nest Community Center (1195 Fairgrounds Road, Bremerton) and on Zoom.

Zoom link will be posted on the [home page](#) of Kitsap County Parks website on the day of the meeting. The link is the bottom right-hand side under the heading: **Upcoming Parks Advisory Board Meeting**.

Pre-Meeting: Virtual meeting format, information, and instructions

- I. Welcome & Introductions**
- II. Adoption of the April 16, 2025 and May 21, 2025 meeting minutes**
- III. Public Comment (3-minute limit/person)**
Public comments are welcome at this time. If you have questions or are seeking information from the Parks Department, please contact us at parks@kitsap.gov so that your inquiry may be directed to the appropriate Parks Department staff for a response.
- IV. Special Presentations/Reports**
 - a. Reopening of PROS Plan Vote from April *Board*
 - b. Capital Improvement Project Prioritization *Carmen Smith, PAB Sub-Committee*
 - c. Budget Cuts *Alex Wisniewski*
- V. Parks Report**
 - a. Director's Report *Alex Wisniewski, Alex Hardy, Bre Ganne, Carmen Smith*
- VI. Sub-Committee Reports**
 - a. Capital Projects and Parks
 - i. CIP Prioritization
- VII. District Representative Reports**
- VIII. Public Comment (3-minute limit/person)**
- IX. Adjournment**



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2025 Sub Committee Assignments

Sub Committee	Type	Focus Area	PAB Members	Parks Staff (may vary by topic)
Finance & Budget	Standing (per by laws)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operating Budget Funding Opportunities 	Linda Nancy Larry	Parks Director
Capital Projects & Parks	Standing (per by laws)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Capital Projects Program M&O Program 	Lisa Dawn Jon Amy	Parks Planner M&O Supervisor
Community Outreach & Visitor Services	Ad Hoc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Events and Rentals Program Marketing Volunteer Program Youth Engagement 	Nancy Jessica	Marketing & Events Supervisor Natural Resources Supervisor
Planning & Property	Ad Hoc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planning Program Natural Resources Program Land Acquisition & Divestiture Park Code 	Lisa Dawn Linda Jon	Parks Planner Natural Resources Supervisor

2025 Agenda Items and Sub-Committee Meetings

Month	Task or Agenda Item	Board or Sub-Committee Assignment
January	Board Chair and Vice Chair Elections	Board (completed in October 2024)
	PAB Annual Workplan	Board
	Sub-Committee Assignments	Board
	Events Year in Review	Board
February	PROS Plan	Board
	PAB Annual Workplan	Board
	Sub-Committee Assignments	Board
March	PROS Plan	Board
	Sub-Committee Assignments	Board
April	PROS Plan	Board
May	CIP Priority Methodology Development	Capital Projects & Parks
	Maintenance & Operations Study	Board
June	CIP Priority Methodology Development	Capital Projects & Parks
	Forest Restoration & Stewardship Policy	Planning & Property
July	Draft CIP Development	Capital Projects & Parks
	Draft CIP Development	Board
	2026 Budget Development	Finance & Budget
	Forest Restoration & Stewardship Policy	Board
August	2026 Budget Development	Board
	Events Policy and Fee Schedule	Community Outreach & Visitor Services
September	Nominating Sub-Committee (appointed by Chair)	Chair
	Events Policy and Fee Schedule	Board
October		
November		
December		

KITSAP COUNTY PARKS ADVISORY BOARD

DRAFT April 16, 2025

MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM by the Parks Advisory Board Chair, Larry Walker. Guidelines of the hybrid Parks Advisory Board Meeting were read.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

ACTION | *Linda Berry-Maraist motioned to adopt March 19, 2025, meeting minutes.
Jon Pearson seconded the motion.
Minutes approved.*

PUBLIC COMMENT

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS

- PARKS, RECREATION, AND OPEN SPACE (PROS) PLAN
PAB members discussed the language referencing 'classification', the history of stewardship management and comparison of short-term versus long-term volunteers.
PAB members are encouraged to communicate to their district Commissioner regarding the "extreme disproportion" of Parks staff in relation to acres of land to manage.
Larry Walker suggests subcommittees meet to further discuss specific items.

ACTION | *Jon Pearson motioned to accept the PROS Plan and recommend presenting to the Board of Commissioners
Amy Lawrence seconded the motion.
Linda Berry-Maraist requests the classification definition be included with the recommendation.
Motion approved.*

PARKS REPORT

DIRECTORS REPORT –

- Director shared the 2025 Agenda Items and Sub-Committee Meetings calendar.

Capital Project Updates

- Point No Point Beach and Shoreline Repair - permits cleared with US Army Corps of Engineer, Dept of Ecology and Department of Fish and Wildlife. The US Coast guard is the final permit pending approval. Phase 2 is on track for the water work to occur during the designated time frame, August 15 to October 15. The construction contract for this project is being formally solicited.
- Port Gamble Forest Heritage Park North Gateway Parking Lot – Project is currently publicly posted for bidding with a bid opening date scheduled for April 22, 2025. Upon successful bid, contracting and construction scheduling will follow with the bid winner. Completion of project is projected for the Fall.
- Eagle's Nest Deck project is moving forward with the Public Works Capital Facilities Division managing the project and the contract bidding process.
- Collaboration with Central Kitsap School district on athletic complex improvements. Parks is planning to resurface the Gordon Field turf and tennis court resurfacing. CKSD is planning similar projects in the same area.

NATURAL RESOURCES PROGRAM UPDATES

- The Work Party table documenting the months' work parties in the Parks Report has been updated as a result of the PAB member comments at the March meeting. Further details have been added to include Stewardship hours. Reporting of individual stewardship hours is new, and it is challenging to report accurately as many hours are not reported or not reported in a timely manner.
Dawn Dockter suggests calling out the groups by name.

Linda Berry-Maraist asked if the Rayonier logging road construction at Stottlemeyer parking lot will affect access at the parking lot. The Parks Director shared that it will not affect access to the parking lot.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS – No reports

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS –

- North District | Still finding toys at PGFHP but issue seems to be improving.
- Central District | none
- South District | Appreciation for the Banner Forest Port-a-Pottys and the improvements at Horseshoe Lake Park.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- David Onstad – Port Orchard. In the PROS Plan the name of a park, classification of a park and land classification is not as meaningful as we think because environmental assessments are needed before a plan can be implemented.
- Beverly Parsons – Hansville. Forwarded to the Parks Advisory Board, an email sent to the Board of Commissioners regarding her appreciation of the meeting with the Parks Director and Parks Planner. Commends Carmen for her excellent work since joining the Parks Department.
- Carol Price – appreciates the comments made by David Onstad and Lisa Hurt. She is devastated about the logging that will occur at PGFHP.
 - Is the Stewardship Manual still in effect?
 - Is there any way to get an updated copy of the 2025 agenda items and subcommittee meetings chart by the month?
 - How do you get a copy of the work party chart?

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION | *Linda Berry-Maraist moved to adjourn the meeting.
Dawn Dockter seconded the motion.
Motioned carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.*

PARKS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING | ATTENDANCE

PAB MEMBERS		STAFF	PUBLIC (In Person)
Larry Walker – South	Alex Wisniewski - Director	Online public attendee names not captured	
Lisa Hurt - North	Camern Smith – Parks Planner		
Dawn Dockter - South	Alex Hardy – Events and Marketing Supervisor		
Linda Berry Maraist - North	Irene Weber – Natural Resources Supervisor	David Onstad	
Amy Lawerance - Central	Dee Tuttle – Office Support Specialist		
Jon Pearson - Central			

KITSAP COUNTY PARKS ADVISORY BOARD

DRAFT May 21, 2025

MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by the Parks Advisory Board Chair, Larry Walker. Guidelines of the hybrid Parks Advisory Board Meeting were read.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Lisa Hurt requests the April meeting minutes be edited to reflect the redaction of her vote on the PROS Plan and to record her abstention.

ACTION | *Jessica Rice motioned to adopt April 16, 2025, meeting minutes with amendment to reflect Lisa Hurt's abstention on the PROS Plan vote.
Dawn Dockter seconded the motion.
Minutes approved.*

Robert Rules states a motion is needed to reopen a vote for discussion and re-vote. A motion to reopen the discussion regarding the PROS Plan can be brought forward at the June meeting. The April minutes will also need to be voted on again for final approval.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Debbie Wyman made comments regarding the PROS Plan reclassification of the parks to align with the state categories or state classifications and her concerns about heritage parks being categorized as nature parks. She requests clarification on the definition of passive recreation and active recreation within the PROS Plan classifications.
- Ken Tallman – Olalla resident. Shared concerns regarding the use of the Olalla boat ramp launch, the lack of enforcement of parks rules, and the private business use of the park's parking.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS

- MAINTENANCE EVALUATION – Bre Ganne, M&O Program Supervisor presented an overview of the decision to hire Glen Akramoff, Akramoff LLC, to evaluate the workplace culture and improve organization and staff morale. This was a positive experience for the team.

Glen shared an overview of the process to evaluate departmental maintenance operations with 5 focus areas,

- i. Workplace Culture
- ii. Work Process
- iii. Operational Structure
- iv. Using Systems
- v. External Forces

This has resulted in a restructuring of staff allocation from a regional approach to an expertise approach. This has energized the staff.

Recommendation to refine the processes of work planning and scheduling, property acquisition and disposal, and fee and cost recovery. System recommendations to evaluate equipment, facility utilization and flexibility, Master Planning and energy audits.

PAB members discussed the history of volunteer and stewardship groups, Master Plan development, and park planning priorities.

Parks Director expressed gratitude to the Bre Ganne and the M&O team for the great work and commitment to positive change.

PARKS REPORT

DIRECTORS REPORT –

Capital Project Update -

- Point No Point Beach and Shoreline Repair – One of two final permits has been received from the US Coast Guard. Project is on track for the work to be performed this summer during the “water work window”.
- North Gateway Parking Lot at Port Gamble Forest Heritage Park – The construction contract was awarded to Seton Construction and construction is likely to begin in early July and conclude in September.

Events and Marketing Program Update –

- There has been a significant increase in athletic fields rental requests for Fall 2025. This is due in large part to the Central Kitsap School Districts temporary closure of several school fields for improvements. CKSD athletic teams and other sports groups that use school sites, are looking to use Parks’ fields. Parks will be able to accommodate approximately 70% of the requests received. Guidelines and priorities have been developed to balance the needs as well as to be fair and equitable as possible.

Maintenance and Operations Program Update –

- Recent playground inspections revealed that the north swing set at Kitsap Kids Playground was structurally unsafe due to rotting support posts. The swings were previously removed and now the frame has been removed. M&O staff made some improvements to the playground decking and fencing. This playground is target for vandalism.

Natural Resources Program Update -

- The Natural Resources team is participating in a local conversation group called the Listen Up Collaborative. This group connects regional land trusts, forest managers, Tribal staff, public parks staff, and the community at large to share knowledge and resources related to forest management practices that accelerate the development of complex forest conditions to serve bird species in decline. This group's objectives include identifying and implementing appropriate habitat management practices, establishing acoustic AVAVN monitoring programs, and knowledge sharing. This group is drafting a pre-application to a National Coastal Resilience Fund to support forest restoration work across many lands managed by members of the collaborative. Through this opportunity, Parks is seeking funding to perform much of the needed young stand thinning in our overstocked forests to help meet the restoration objective of promoting the growth of larger trees and mature forest structural characteristics.

Planning Program Update –

- An update regarding the Capital Improvement Program Prioritization will be provided by the Capital Projects & Parks subcommittee.

Discussion regarding the Forest Restoration and Stewardship policy that will be reviewed by Planning & Property subcommittee in June and Parks Advisory Board in July prior to going to the Board of Commissioners in September.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS –

- Capital Projects & Parks - This subcommittee met in May to discuss a draft process to prioritize the way the department evaluates and prioritizes capital projects for inclusion in the Capital Improvement program. The committee reviewed examples of how other agencies prioritize projects. The committee is planning to hold another meeting on June 2nd to dive deeper into and refine the process prior to discussion at the PAB meeting later in June. This will also be brought to the Board of Commissioners for review and discussion.

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS –

- North District | Lisa Hurt is still finding plastic pieces but it's getting better
- Central District | none
- South District | Jessica Rice met with Parks staff and learned a lot about the Parks inventory. She hopes to bring a little more perspective on how to improve some of the experiences from an events or

sports user.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Frank Stricklin – Comments regarding different types of parks. Urban parks require a lot of work. They require utility bills, water, maintenance, cleaning and mowing. Heritage parks which should require minimal work and should be left in a natural state and protected. During COVID, Newberry Heritage Park had a significant increase in users. These parks are very important as a place for some mental health, a place to relax and enjoy nature.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION | *Linda Berry-Maraist moved to adjourn the meeting.
Nancy Whitaker seconded the motion.
Motioned carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 PM.*

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Linda Berry Maraist - North	Irene Weber – Natural Resources Supervisor	Frank Stricklin
Jessica Rice – South	Bre Ganne – M&O Supervisor	KC Patton
Nancy Whitaker - Central	Chuck Cuzzetto – Public Relations & Communication Coordinator	Ken Tallman
		N. Brightwood
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		David Onstad



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Director's Report

Date: 5/21/2025
To: Parks Advisory Board
From: Alex Wisniewski, Parks Director

Capital Projects Program

Fairgrounds and Events Center – Tennis Courts

Contract KC-465-17 memorializes the shared use of the tennis courts and Lobe Fields (2 & 3) at the and provides the authority for Central Kitsap School District to make capital improvements to the property. As such, Central Kitsap School District has begun work to rebuild the six tennis courts to repair drainage issues and replace the cracked surfacing. Construction began on June 16 and completion is targeted by September, before school begins. During construction, the tennis courts will be closed and the area fenced off for public safety. Once complete, the courts will be striped for tennis and pickleball.

Point No Point Park Beach and Shoreline Repair

All permits have been achieved with the exception of one remaining approval by the US Coast Guard, which is anticipated to be received by June 20, 2025. The project was posted for bidding recently with bid submissions due by July 9, which is also the day of the bid opening. Parks is still targeting to complete the work in 2025; a formal timeline will be developed once a construction firm is under contract.

Port Gamble Forest Heritage Park – North Gateway Trailhead

Construction is scheduled to begin on July 7, 2025, and completion is anticipated in October.

Eagle's Nest Deck Replacement

The project will be posted for bidding in the near future with construction targeted to begin after the Kitsap Fair and Stampede event, likely in September.

Gordon 1 Soccer Field.

Central Kitsap School District will be replacing the synthetic turf on the Olympic High School stadium field and building a new synthetic turf soccer field at Fairview Middle School in summer/fall 2025. Because these fields will be unavailable for use during construction, Parks has decided to postpone the timeline for Gordon 1 until early 2026.

Suquamish Sport and Indianola Tennis Courts.

The Parks Department created online surveys to collect information as to how the community currently uses these two courts and to capture any desired changes the communities may desire. The surveys were open for approximately one month and

closed on May 31st. Survey results regarding current and desired court use are presented below. Additional desired improvements included benches and/or seating areas, water connection, storage bins for equipment, and tribal art. Project development is underway and completion is targeted for 2025; though specific timelines are not yet known.

Indianola Tennis Court

Total Responses: 104

Activity	# of Responses (Desired Use)	# of Responses (Current Use)
Basketball	56	32
Pickleball	75	30
Tennis	67	48

Suquamish Sport Court

Total Responses: 141

Activity	# of Responses (Desired Use)	# of Responses (Current Use)
Basketball	79	37
Pickleball	112	86
Tennis	40	15

Marketing and Events Program

Events M & O Ballfield Shop

As part of the continued implementation of the Maintenance Evaluation, the Events Maintenance & Operations (M&O) team has recently transitioned into the Ballfield Shop. Located on the Fairgrounds campus, the Ballfield Shop was originally constructed in 2020 to serve as the headquarters for the Events M&O team. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic and evolving departmental needs, the space was temporarily repurposed to support other functions within the department. Now fully dedicated to its intended use, the Ballfield Shop will provide the Events M&O team with dedicated office space, a break room, a locker room, and a maintenance shop for tools and equipment.

Fall Athletic Field Rental Requests and Allocations

The Parks Department began accepting rental requests for the Fall 2025 field schedule (covering September, October, and November) on April 10. The request period closed on May 1. This year, the department received reservation requests from nine different organizations, an increase of four compared to previous years. The rise is attributed to the temporary closure of several school fields within Central Kitsap School District (CKSD) for improvements and growing community needs.

Since the rental requests from the nine organizations exceeds the capacity of Parks' fields, Parks staff have developed guidelines to assist with schedule development. The guidelines are designed to balance needs while supporting a diverse range of recreational opportunities, as well as to be as fair and equitable as possible. To accomplish this, the following is the priority in which rental requests are considered:

1. Kitsap County Parks Department co-sponsored programs
2. School District Programs
3. Non-Profit Organizations
4. Private Leagues
5. Private Group, Events, & General Public



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In addition to this structure of priority organization types, the department also uses these additional criteria to further help make decisions when competing rental requests are received.

- Benefit to the residents of Kitsap County
- Type of event (national, regional, state, or local)
- Seasonal activities versus non-seasonal activities
- Impact of use on the surrounding neighborhood
- Safety of participants and general Park facility visitors
- Scheduled games versus practices
- Diversity of recreational opportunities
- Field conditions (fields may be closed or subject to limited availability at any time for safety concerns or due to the risk of severe damage to the fields)
- Users in good standing (payments up to date following the applicable payment schedule and requests received according to the allocation timeline),
- Parking availability at the facility.

After evaluating the submitted requests, Parks staff determined that approximately 20% of the original fall field requests cannot be met. Please refer to *Attachment B* for details.

Events By the Numbers and Events Calendar

Data on the number of reservations at each of the Parks Facilities is attached; please see *Attachment A*.

- Outward-facing events calendar: [Kitsap County Parks Event Calendar \(kitsapgov.com\)](http://kitsapgov.com)
- Online reservations and payment portal: [Kitsap County Parks > Home \(recdesk.com\)](http://recdesk.com)

<u>July Public Events</u>		
<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
The Lost Treasure: Kids Camp at the Fairgrounds	July 7-11	Fairgrounds and Events Center
Yoga in the Parks	July 11	Veterans Memorial Park
Fam Jam 2025	July 12	South Kitsap Regional Park
Destruction Derby	July 12	Thunderbird Stadium @ Fairgrounds and Events Center
Kitsap Day Camp - Scouting America	July 14-18	North Campground @ Fairgrounds and Events Center
Monster Truck Show	July 18-20	Thunderbird Stadium @ Fairgrounds and Events Center
Yoga in the Parks	July 18	Veterans Memorial Park
Kitsap Pride	July 19	Gordon Field 2 @ Gordon Park

Big Top Gun Show	July 19-20	Van Zee @ Fairgrounds and Events Center
Kitsap Tattoo Convention	July 19-20	Pavilion @ Fairgrounds and Events Center
Kitsap Day Camp - Scouting America	July 14-18	North Campground @ Fairgrounds and Events Center
Whaling Days	July 25-27	Silverdale Waterfront Park
Yoga in the Parks	July 25	Veterans Memorial Park
Demolition Derby	July 26	Thunderbird Stadium @ Fairgrounds and Events Center
Silverdale at Sunset Concert Series	July 30	Silverdale Waterfront Park

BoCC-Sponsored Events

Event	Status	2025 Attendance
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	January 20, 2025	300
Military Appreciation Day	March 15, 2025	1,200
FARM Days	May 19-20, 2025	3,000
Veterans Day Ceremony	November 11, 2025	
Toys for Tots	December 13, 2025	

The Commissioner's Office and Parks are partnering on the implementation of 2024 Board-directed changes to the County's event support practices. Changes will be communicated to event organizers in early 2025 in close collaboration with Board members. Implementation of the changes will not take place until 2026.

Maintenance & Operations Program

Trail Maintenance

Staff have been actively improving trail accessibility and user experience. Over 3 miles of overgrown vegetation on the main trails of **Banner Forest Heritage Park** has been cleared and mowed, and all Explorer trails at **South Kitsap Regional Park** were trimmed and mowed, enhancing safety with improved sightlines. In preparation for the June 14 KPTOS volunteer work party, staff completed larger mowing efforts along **Eglon's** main trails, allowing volunteers to focus on detailed hand-trimming. Trail clearing at **Point No Point Park** was also completed, and new signage in the **Hansville Greenway** reinforcing "no motorized vehicles," in response to ongoing complaints about dirt bike activity.

Park Maintenance

At **Silverdale Waterfront Park**, maintenance crews spent over 50 hours restoring benches and tables impacted by weather and vandalism. Given the park's high usage, service levels have been increased to ensure the park remains a clean, safe, and welcoming space for visitors. At the **Fairgrounds**, staff repaired barn gutters, walls, and flooring. Staff also partnered with the Public Works Stormwater Division to clear debris from the drainage systems to address flooding issues that have impacted the barns during heavy rains. On May 21, Parks staff collaborated with the Heart Team to clear encampments at **Erland's Point** and multiple sites in **Illahee Preserve Heritage Park**.

Ballfield Maintenance

New Rain Bird irrigation controllers were installed at **South Kitsap Regional Park**, **Veteran's Memorial Park**, **Anderson Hill Athletic Fields**, and **Lobe** ballfields, improving efficiency and reducing water costs through automated rain delays and smart



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watering features. Spring ballfield maintenance—including soil testing, aeration, overseeding, and fertilizer applications—was completed in May. European Chafer beetle treatment was applied at South Kitsap Regional Park on June 2, with a follow-up scheduled in six to eight weeks to prevent further damage to the athletic fields.

Facility Maintenance

The **Island Lake Community Center** was updated with new kitchen appliances and round tables to improve event rental space. Staff also focused on long-overdue upgrades in maintenance office and shop areas at the **Wildcat Lake Maintenance Complex**. Workspaces were reorganized to improve efficiency, removing outdated parts and equipment. Breakrooms, meeting rooms, and offices—previously left unfinished with cold, loud concrete floors—were upgraded with carpeting and improved kitchenettes, creating a more comfortable environment. Wildcat maintenance staff now have a refrigerator in their breakroom thanks to a repurposed unit from Island Lake Community Center.

Natural Resources Program

Forest Restoration and Stewardship Projects

Approximately 97 acres within Port Gamble Heritage Park will receive stewardship and restoration treatments during 2025 to help create conditions that facilitate tree growth; increase resiliency to insects, diseases, expected climate change, and potential wildfires and improve habitat quality and ecological function. Thinning will preferentially remove smaller trees making more room for remaining larger trees. This will reduce competition between trees and physiological stresses and allow the remaining trees to grow vigorously and increase resiliency to insects, diseases, wildfires, and expected climate change. Openings created in the canopy will allow light to reach the forest floor and encourage the reestablishment and growth of understory vegetation. Healthy, vigorous understory vegetation will improve wildlife habitats, resist invasive species establishment, and create more visually appealing conditions. Removing smaller trees that are becoming unstable and dying will reduce potential risks to park users.

Treatments will occur within four distinct units across the northern part of Port Gamble Heritage Park (see *Attachment C* for map). These areas were regenerated following harvesting in the 1980s and have seen little management since that time. Currently these forests are very dense and uniform with little, if any, understory vegetation. Two of the units, which comprise about half of the treatment area, are within the mountain bike ride park and Ranger corridor areas. These trails see heavy recreational use. The other areas see recreational use that is limited to access roads adjacent to the treatment areas.

Planning and project design began in January 2025 and this work is expected to be completed by the end of November 2025. Assessments during the first quarter of 2025 quantified and qualitatively described forest conditions in the treatment areas. Results from assessments were used to determine treatment needs. Project planning and

permitting during the second quarter of 2025 prepared for implementation, which begins in Mid-June 2025. Treatments continue through the summer and into the fall with completion expected in November 2025 followed by any needed post-treatment road maintenance. Monitoring of treatment activities will happen in parallel with treatment activities to ensure contract compliance and to ensure that treatments are meeting prescription targets. Ongoing monitoring of treated areas will be performed at regular intervals to evaluate progress towards desired conditions.

Volunteers & Trails

Volunteer Work Parties in May 2025

- Activity: 22 work parties (155 YTD)
- By the numbers...approximately:
 - 200 participants*
 - 626 hours of work party participation
 - Approx. 6.75 acres of invasive species removal
 - Approx. 4.5 miles of trail maintenance

Work Parties	# of Parties	# of Participants*	# of Hours
NAVY	2	28	84
Stewards (Newberry, Kitsap Dog Parks, Coulter Creek, Guillemot Cove, Keyport Saltwater Park, Hansville Greenway, Illahee)	17	124	344
Public Work Parties (Stewards and Community)	2	35	105
Washington Trails Association (WTA)	1	13	93
TOTAL	22	200	626

**Participants is a sum of number of participants at each work party, if an individual attended multiple work parties, they have been counted multiple times.*

Location	Work performed
Coulter Creek Heritage Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invasive species removal
Erlands Point	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invasive species removal • Trail Brushing
Guillemot Cove	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trail maintenance
Hansville Greenway	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trail maintenance and park patrolling
Illahae Preserve	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trail maintenance and park patrolling
Newberry Hill Heritage Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invasive species removal • Trail maintenance
Nicks Lagoon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trail maintenance
Port Gamble Heritage Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invasive species

Partners worked with this period	Work performed
Mountain Vikes (youth mountain biking club) + D&D mountain Bike Club	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued maintenance of adopted trail, The Hood
Kitsap Dog Parks Inc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintaining the dog parks at Silverdale Rotary, Bandix, and Howe Farm.
Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trail maintenance at ride park and Ranger corridor
WTA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trail maintenance at Newberry Hill



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Master Gardeners	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Maintaining gardens at JA & Anna Smith and Buck Lake parks.
US NAVY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trail maintenance at Illahee

Planning Program

Capital Improvement Program Prioritization

Each year, the Parks Department creates a six-year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and presents it to the Board of County Commissioners for approval. Currently, the Department does not have a process to evaluate and prioritize projects. To correct this deficiency, Parks staff have begun working with members of the Capital Projects & Parks sub-committee of the Parks Advisory Board to develop a prioritization process. Meetings with the PAB Subcommittee occurred in May/June. This process will be used in the upcoming CIP update. *Staff will provide a presentation update on the draft process to the BoCC and PAB on June 18th.*

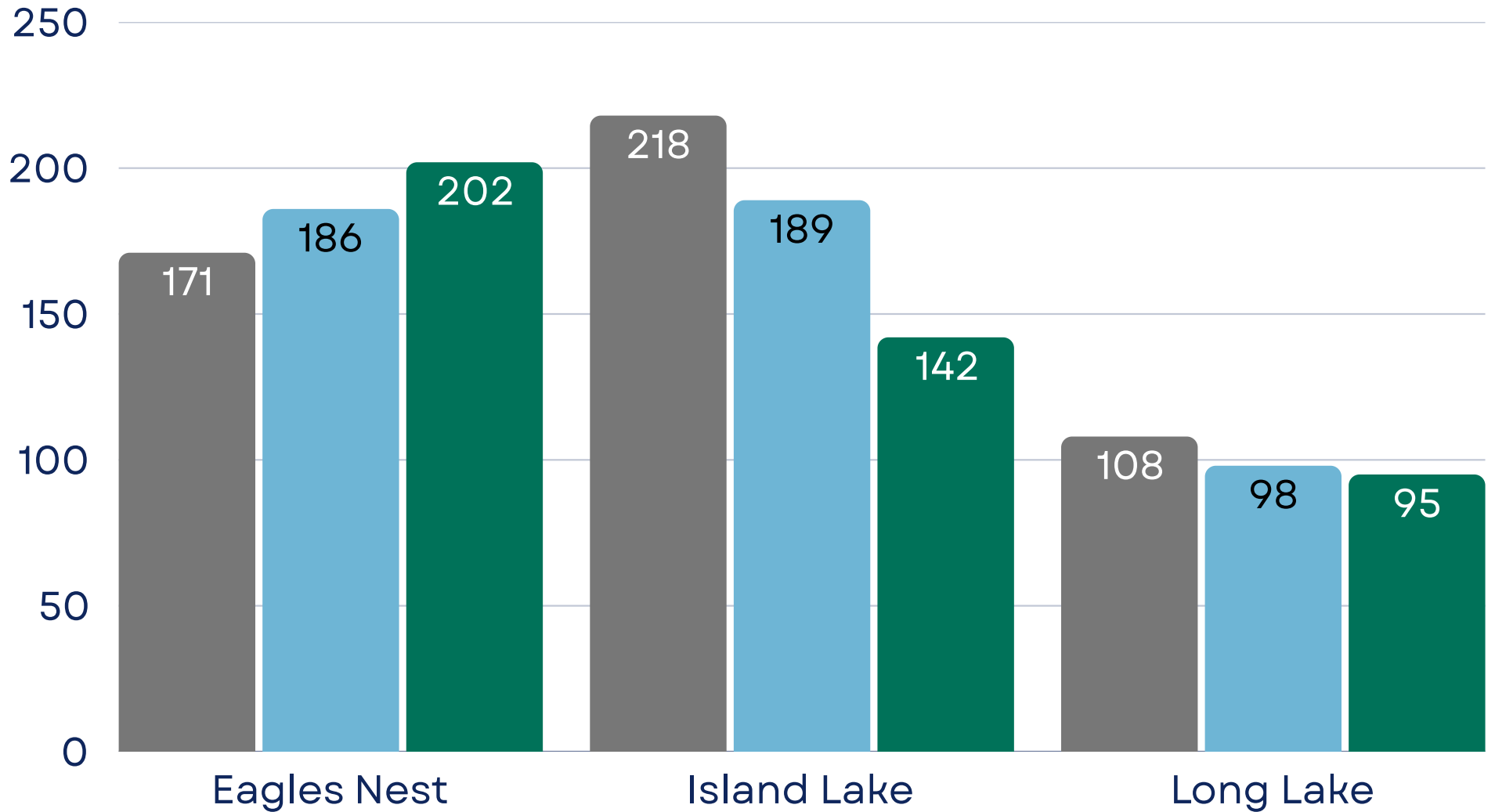
Parks, Recreation, and Open Space (PROS) Plan

The Planning Commission held Deliberations on June 3rd and proposed one amendment to add language regarding wildfire smoke's impacts on outdoor recreation. The Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommended adopting the 2025 PROS Plan as proposed by staff and as amended by the Planning Commission. Findings of Fact is scheduled to occur on June 17th.

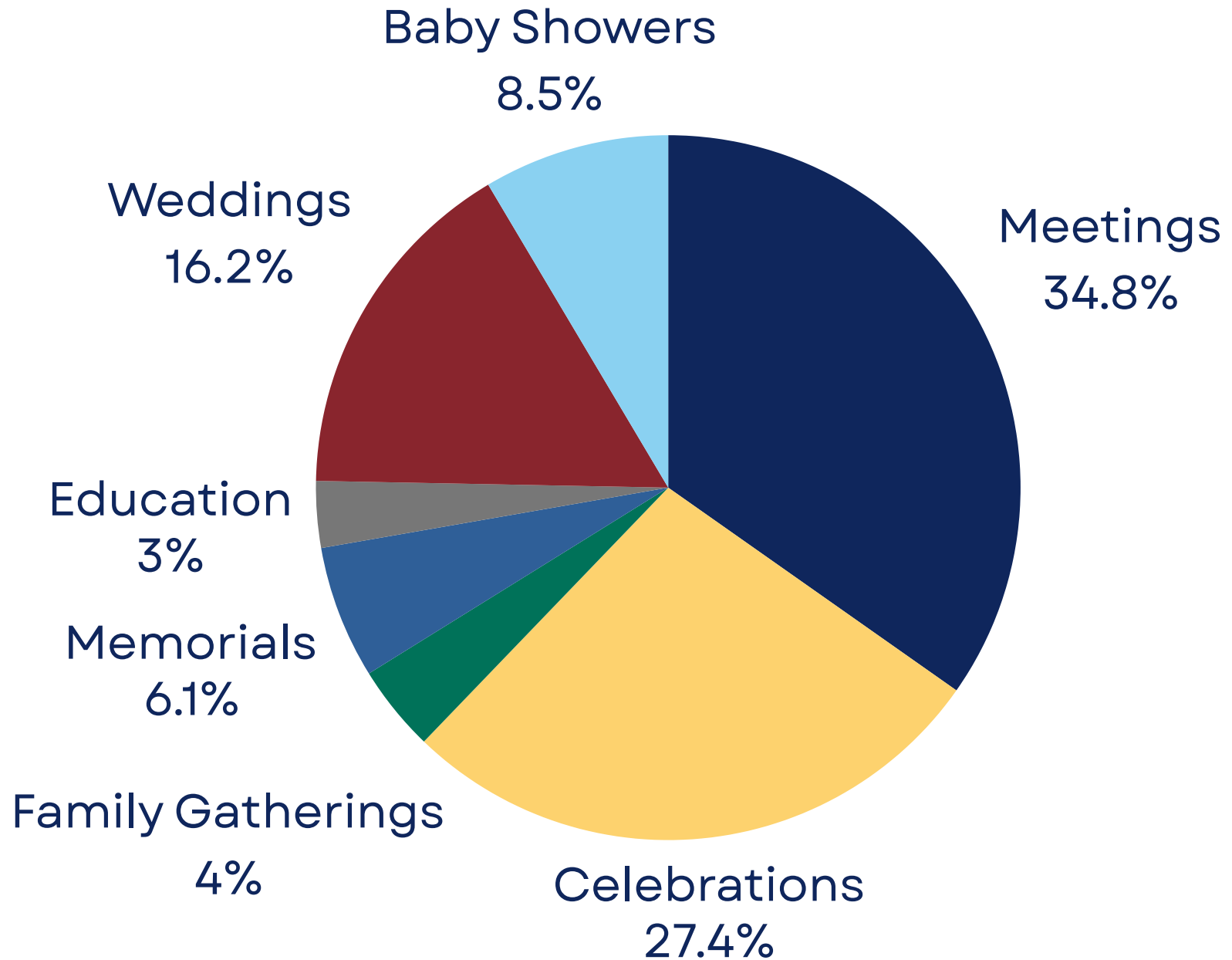
Next steps for the PROS Plan include bringing it before the Board of County Commissioners for a public hearing and adoption, approval from the Recreation and Conservation Office, and a Comprehensive Plan Amendment to adopt the PROS Plan by reference.

COMMUNITY BUILDING RENTALS

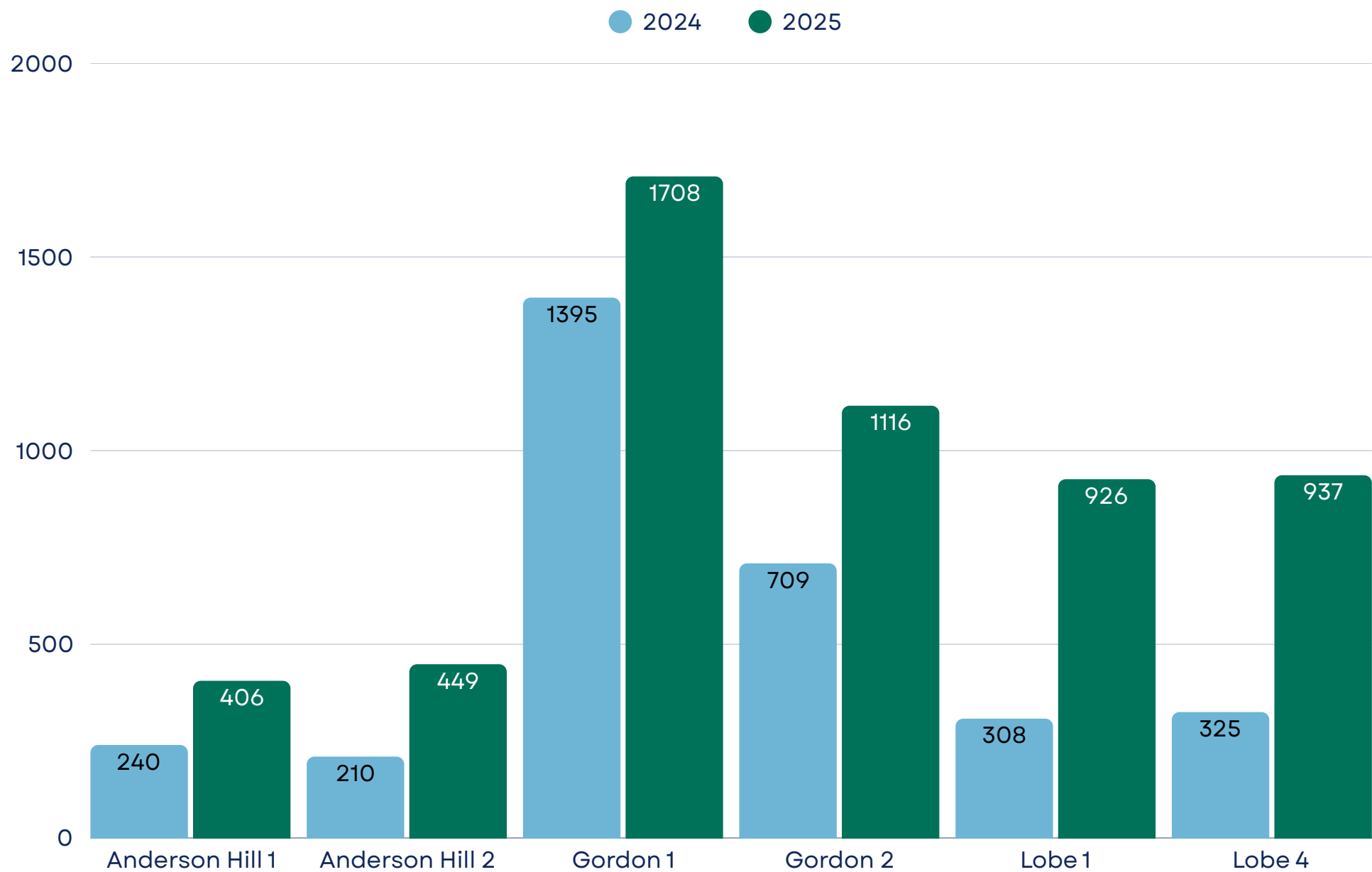
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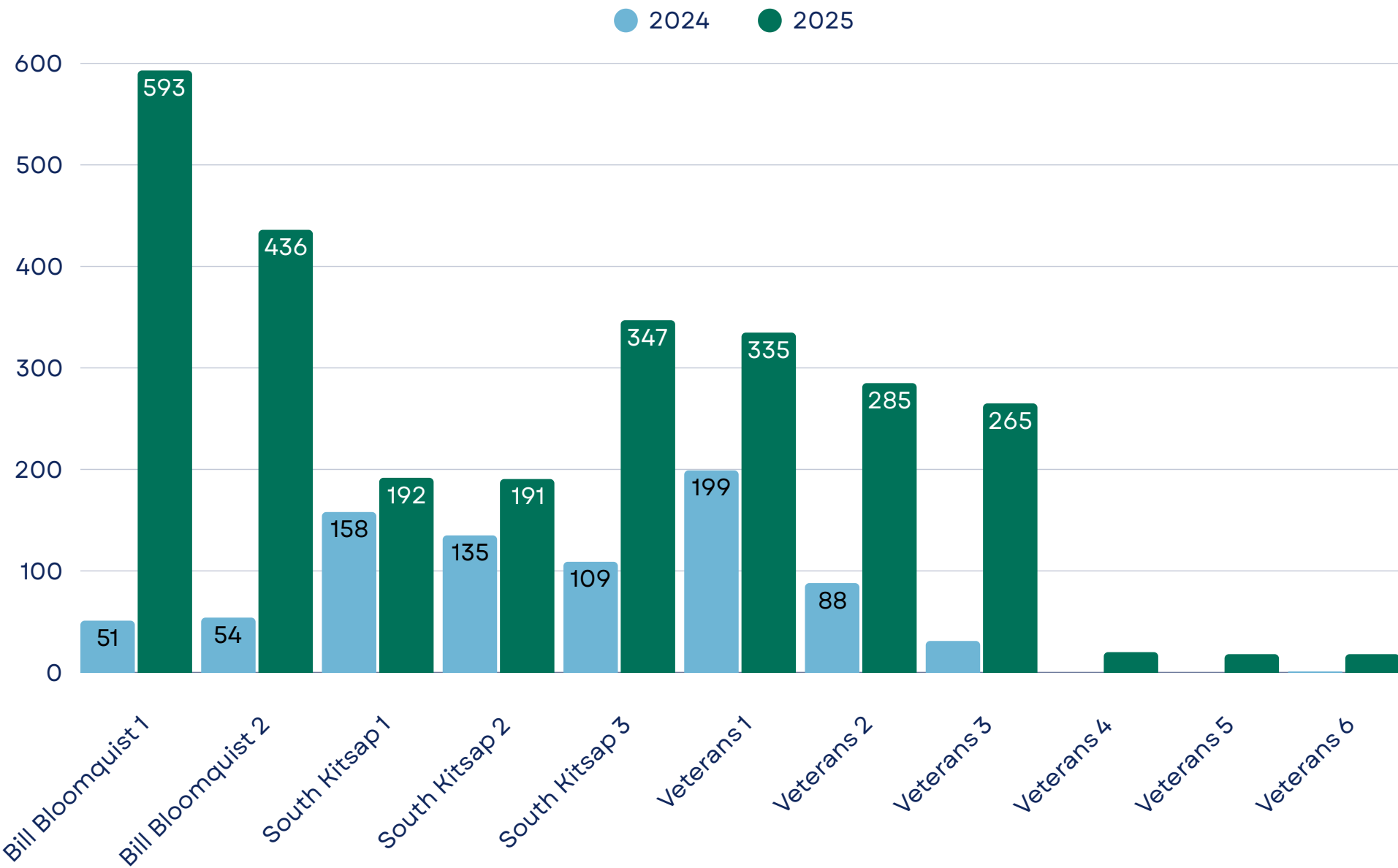


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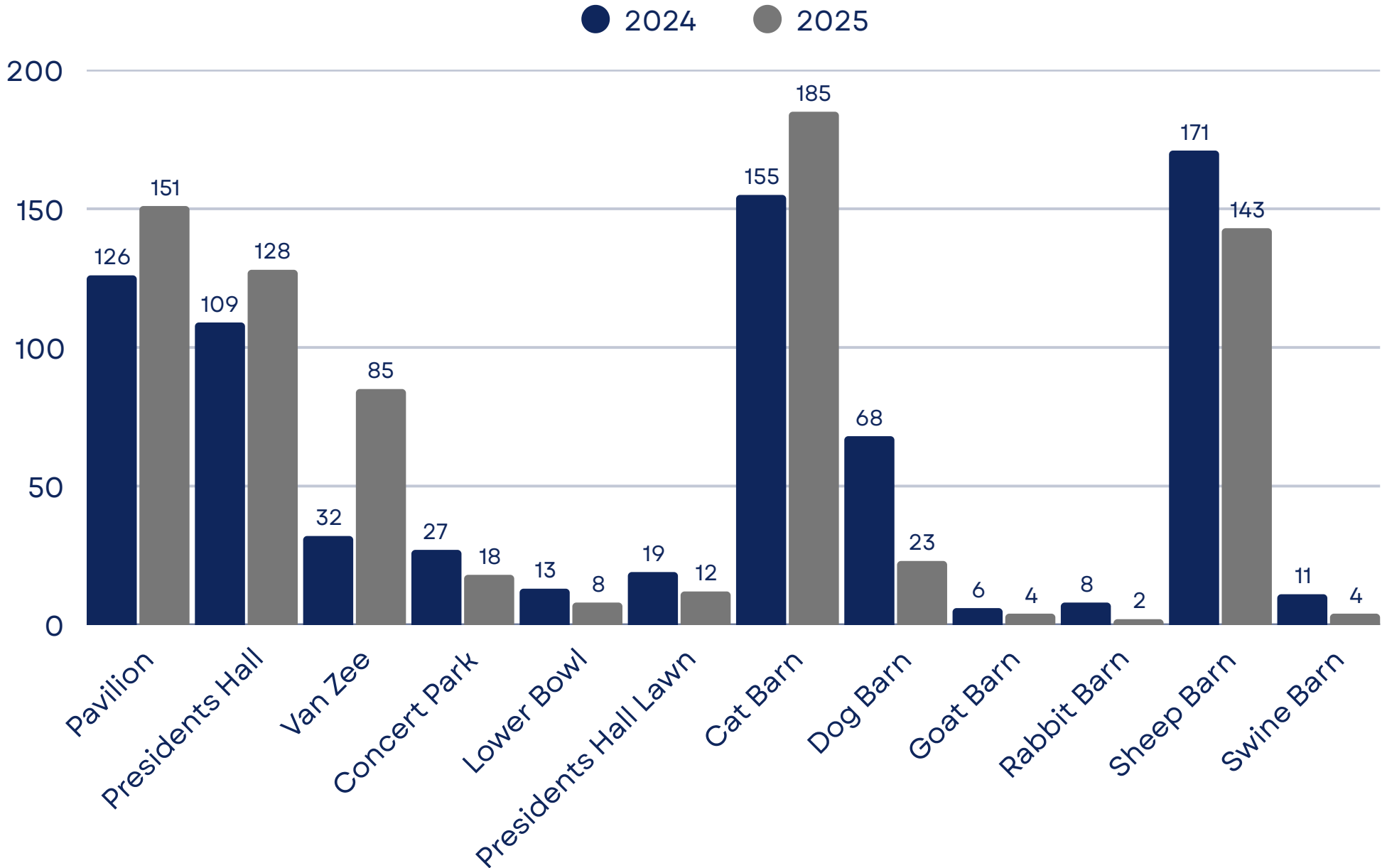
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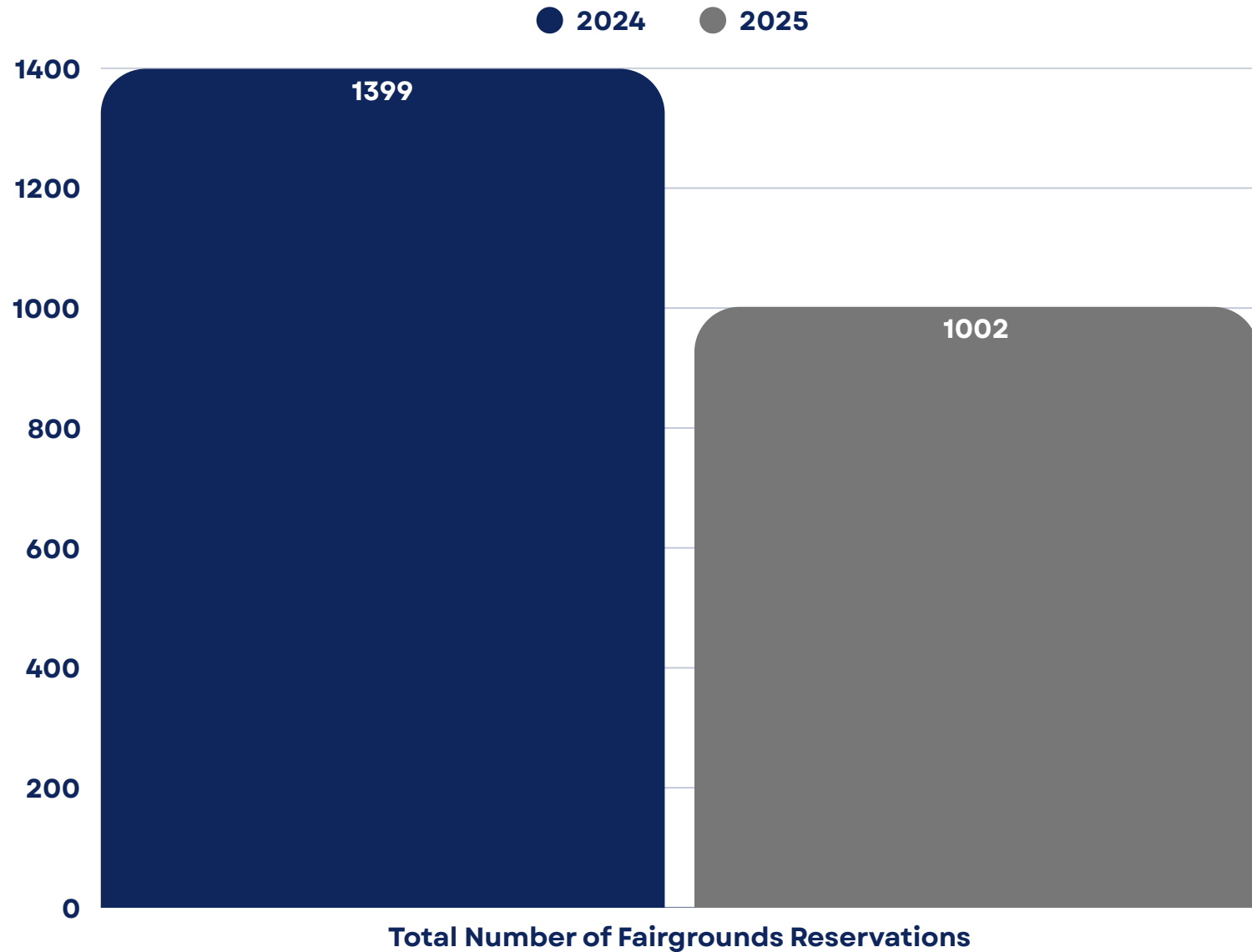
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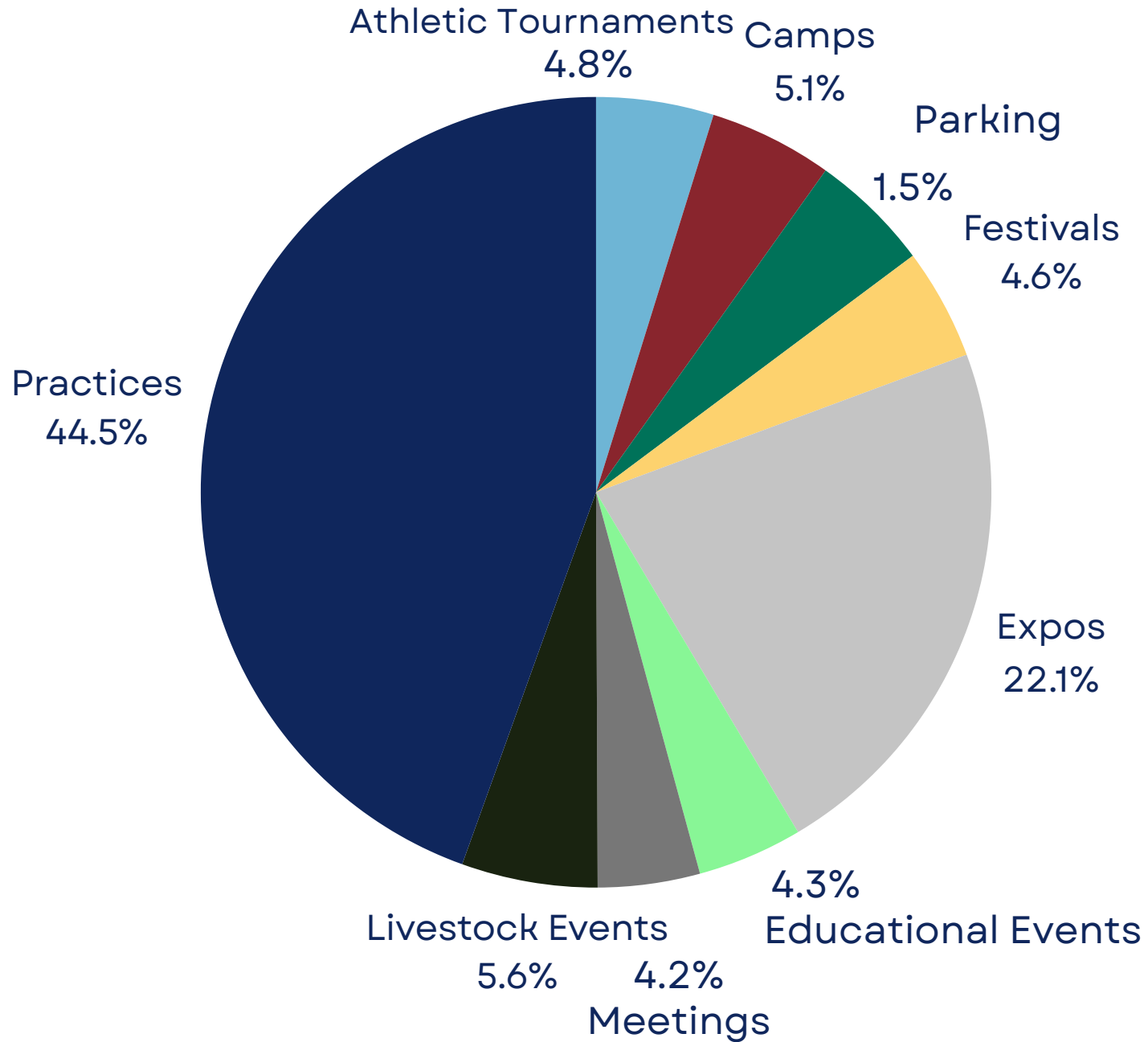
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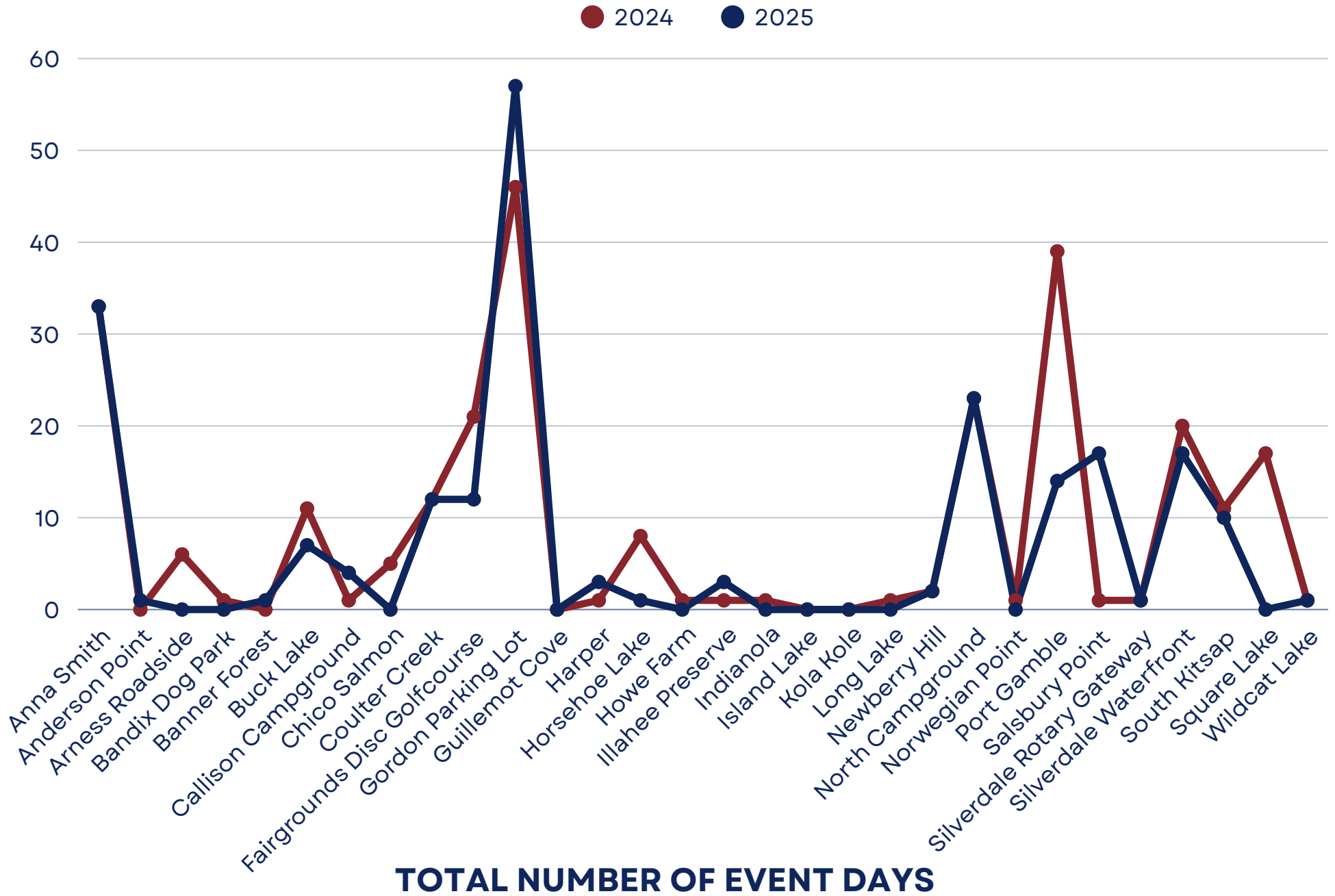
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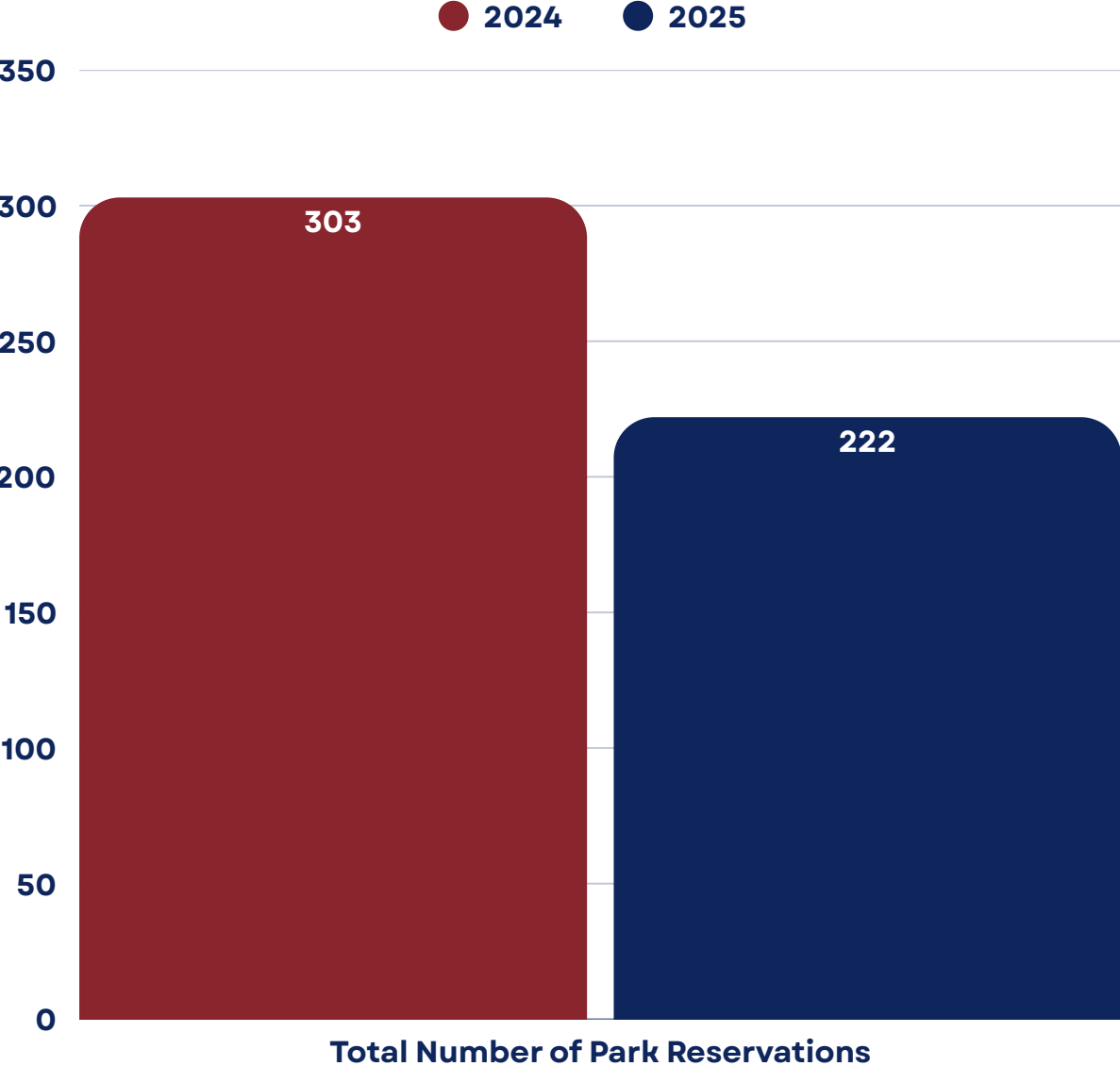
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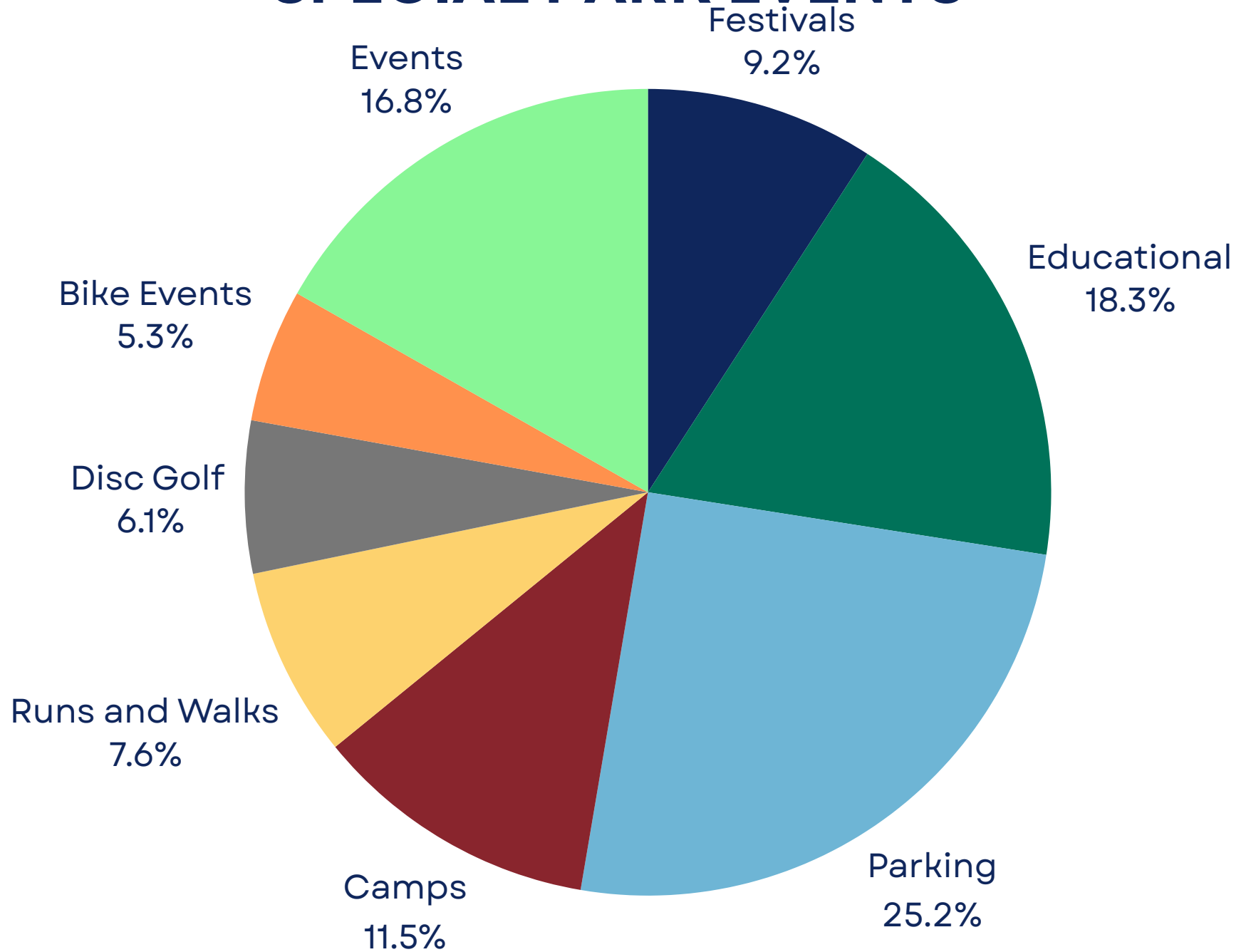


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TOTAL NUMBER OF EVENT DAYS

SPECIAL PARK EVENTS



FALL 2025 - RESERVATION REQUESTS

	SEPTEMBER		OCTOBER		NOVEMBER		TOTAL	
Total Number of Field Reservation Requests	285.00		295.00		91.00		671.00	
	Accommodated	Denied	Accommodated	Denied	Accommodated	Denied	Accommodated	Denied
Anderson 1	18.00	0.00	18.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	36.00	0.00
Anderson 2	19.00	14.00	22.00	18.00	1.00	0.00	42.00	32.00
Gordon Field 1	54.00	17.00	58.00	16.00	26.00	9.00	138.00	42.00
Gordon Field 2	24.00	15.00	27.00	13.00	21.00	7.00	72.00	35.00
Lobe 1	19.00	9.00	18.00	7.00	14.00	0.00	51.00	16.00
Lobe 4	26.00	0.00	26.00	0.00	13.00	0.00	65.00	0.00
South Kitsap Regional Field 2	8.00	0.00	9.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17.00	0.00
South Kitsap Regional Field 3	8.00	0.00	9.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17.00	0.00
Veterans Field 1	18.00	0.00	18.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	36.00	0.00
Veterans Field 2	18.00	0.00	18.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	36.00	0.00
Veterans Field 3	18.00	0.00	18.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	36.00	0.00
TOTAL	230.00	55.00	241.00	54.00	75.00	16.00	546.00	125.00
	80.70%	19.30%	81.69%	18.31%	82.42%	17.58%	81.37%	18.63%
Not Requested: Bloomquist Field 1, Bloomquist Field 2, South Kitsap Regional Field 1, Veterans Memorial Field 4, Veterans Memorial Field 5, Veterans Memorial Field 6								

FALL 2025 - RESERVATION HOURS

	SEPTEMBER		OCTOBER		NOVEMBER		TOTAL	
Total Number of Requested Field Usage Hours	950.25		969.75		391.50		2311.50	
	Accommodated	Denied	Accommodated	Denied	Accommodated	Denied	Accommodated	Denied
Anderson 1	54.00	0.00	54.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	108.00	0.00
Anderson 2	68.00	42.00	73.00	54.00	7.00	0.00	148.00	96.00
Gordon Field 1	195.25	76.50	208.25	73.00	129.50	38.50	533.00	188.00
Gordon Field 2	95.00	60.00	95.00	63.00	81.50	27.00	271.50	150.00
Lobe 1	67.50	36.00	61.50	28.00	56.00	0.00	185.00	64.00
Lobe 4	116.00	0.00	116.00	0.00	52.00	0.00	284.00	0.00
South Kitsap Regional Field 2	16.00	0.00	18.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	34.00	0.00
South Kitsap Regional Field 3	16.00	0.00	18.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	34.00	0.00
Veterans Field 1	36.00	0.00	36.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	72.00	0.00
Veterans Field 2	36.00	0.00	36.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	72.00	0.00
Veterans Field 3	36.00	0.00	36.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	72.00	0.00
TOTAL	735.75	214.50	751.75	218.00	326.00	65.50	1813.50	498.00
	77.43%	22.57%	77.52%	22.48%	83.27%	16.73%	78.46%	21.54%
Not Requested: Bloomquist Field 1, Bloomquist Field 2, South Kitsap Regional Field 1, Veterans Memorial Field 4, Veterans Memorial Field 5, Veterans Memorial Field 6								

FALL 2025 - RESERVATION REQUESTS BY USER GROUP

	SEPTEMBER		OCTOBER		NOVEMBER		TOTAL	
Total Number of Field Reservation Requests	285.00		295.00		91.00		671.00	
	Accommodated	Denied	Accommodated	Denied	Accommodated	Denied	Accommodated	Denied
Olympic High School	21.00	0.00	23.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.84%	0.00%
Kitsap Alliance	63.00	35.00	62.00	38.00	39.00	8.00	25.51%	12.60%
Tracyton Soccer Club	48.00	20.00	49.00	16.00	30.00	8.00	19.75%	6.84%
Cross Point High School	9.00	0.00	9.00	0.00	4.00	0.00	3.42%	0.00%
YMCA (Bremerton and Silverdale)	19.00	0.00	26.00	0.00	2.00	0.00	7.31%	0.00%
South Kitsap Soccer Club	54.00	0.00	54.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16.80%	0.00%
Home School Program	16.00	0.00	18.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.29%	0.00%
TOTAL	230.00	55.00	241.00	54.00	75.00	16.00	546.00	125.00
	80.70%	19.30%	81.69%	18.31%	82.42%	17.58%	81.37%	18.63%
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FALL 2025 - RESERVATION HOURS BY USER GROUP

	SEPTEMBER		OCTOBER		NOVEMBER		TOTAL	
Total Number of Requested Field Usage Hours	950.25		969.75		391.50		2311.50	
	Accommodated	Denied	Accommodated	Denied	Accommodated	Denied	Accommodated	Denied
Olympic High School	57.75	0.00	63.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.36%	0.00%
Kitsap Alliance	228.75	114.25	222.50	127.50	152.00	26.00	26.73%	11.87%
Tracyton Soccer Club	209.25	100.25	205.00	90.50	152.50	39.50	25.12%	10.20%
Cross Point High School	18.00	0.00	18.00	0.00	8.00	0.00	1.95%	0.00%
YMCA (Bremerton and Silverdale)	82.00	0.00	99.00	0.00	13.50	0.00	8.62%	0.00%
South Kitsap Soccer Club	108.00	0.00	108.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9.57%	0.00%
Home School Program	32.00	0.00	36.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.01%	0.00%
TOTAL	735.75	214.50	751.75	218.00	326.00	65.50	1813.50	498.00
	77.43%	22.57%	77.52%	22.48%	83.27%	16.73%	78.46%	21.54%
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