

1. Doesn't Red Bank already have enough parks?

No, Red Bank is a park-deprived city.

Only a scant 0.87% (36 acres, total) of our city's area is in *developed, accessible parks*; the national median is 9.3% of cities' area dedicated to public parks. Only about 20 acres of Red Bank's 36 developed park acres are in typical city park; the remaining ~16 acres are limited to single uses, such as ball fields, tennis courts, a swimming pool and a boxing club. Few Red Bank residents are within a 10-minute walk of a developed park, and the city has no large, central gathering place for its residents.

Red Bank has 129.26 acres, total, of developed parks *plus* various undeveloped public green spaces, spread among 9 sites (including the old middle school site). This total acreage may create the false impression that we have lots of parks (even though that total acreage of parks plus public green space still is only 3.14% of our city's area). Fun fact: 63% of Red Bank's 129.26 total acres of parks and public green space are steep and wooded (or kudzu-covered), and are not accessible or developable as a typical city park. Thus, most of Red Bank's public green space is inaccessible and unusable.

This website provides a series of one-page illustrated descriptions of each Red Bank park or public green space, to help the citizens fully understand what our city does, and does not, have for public space.