## Parks and Recreation

### PARKS

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<td>Costs</td>
<td>$45.85</td>
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**Efficiency Measure**
Operating costs for parks per person.

**Objective**
Efficient operation of parks.

**Notes**
It is the City’s practice to incur full growth-related infrastructure costs before the growth related areas are fully populated. Parks are built, opened and put into operation before new development areas are fully populated. This measure is expected to level off in the long run. The number of new parks assumed in 2008 was outpaced by the increase in population resulting in lower parks-related costs.

SLC 91 7102 13 Financial Information Return.

### RECREATION PROGRAMS

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<td>Costs</td>
<td>$29.30</td>
<td>$29.55</td>
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**Efficiency Measure**
Operating costs for recreation programs per person.

**Objective**
Efficient operation of recreation programs.

**Notes**
Population growth outpaced increase in the operating costs to provide recreation programs resulting in a slight decrease in the measure.
### RECREATION PROGRAMS

SLC 91 7202 13 Financial Information Return. This measure is based on total population, not the population participating in recreation programs.

### RECREATION FACILITIES

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<td>$64.77</td>
<td>$65.04</td>
<td>-0.42%</td>
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**Efficiency Measure**

Operating costs for recreation facilities per person.

**Objective**

Efficient operation of recreation facilities.

**Notes**

Although new facilities were brought on stream in 2008, population growth outpaced the additional facilities’ operating costs resulting in a slight decrease in the measure.

### SUBTOTAL: PARKS, RECREATION PROGRAMS & RECREATION FACILITIES

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<td>$139.92</td>
<td>$141.84</td>
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**Effectiveness Measure**

Operating costs for parks, recreation programs and recreation facilities per person.

**Objective**

Efficient operation of parks, recreation programs and recreation facilities.

**Notes**

The decrease is attributable to the overall efficiencies in the operation of Parks & Recreation facilities and programs and population growth outpacing inflation and additional costs.

SLC 91 7304 13 Financial Information Return. This measure represents a subtotal and is automatically completed when a municipality reports one or more efficiency measures for parks and recreation.
### PARTICIPANT HOURS FOR RECREATION PROGRAMS

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<td>Hours</td>
<td>10,301</td>
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**Effectiveness Measure**
Total participant hours for recreation programs per 1,000 persons.

**Objective**
Recreation programs serve needs of residents.

**Notes**
Minimal decrease in participant hours due to population increase outpacing additional programs.

SLC 92 7255 07 Financial Information Return.
The denominator of this measure is total population divided by 1,000 and does not represent the number of participants in recreation programs.

### HECTARES OF OPEN SPACE

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<td>Hectares</td>
<td>3.779</td>
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**Effectiveness Measure**
Hectares of open space per 1,000 persons.

**Objective**
Open space is adequate for population.

**Notes**
The change is a result of new parkland in new development areas being outpaced by population growth.
The City’s Park, Cultures and Recreation Master Plan sets out long-term targets, including hectares of open space. In future years, the city will continue to focus on providing open space opportunities in accordance with the Parks, Culture and Recreation Master Plan targets. Hectares of open space per 1,000 persons is anticipated to decrease to the target level of 1.7 as set out in the master plan.

SLC 92 7155 07 Financial Information Return.
## KILOMETRES OF TRAILS

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<td>0.509</td>
<td>0.538</td>
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**Efficiency Measure**  
Total kilometres of trails per 1,000 persons.

**Objective**  
Trails provide recreation opportunities.

**Notes**  
The measure decreased slightly as rate of population is outpacing the addition of new trails.

SLC 92 7152 07 Financial Information Return.

## RECREATION - INDOOR FACILITY SPACE

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<td>264.058</td>
<td>247.76</td>
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**Effectiveness Measure**  
Square metres of indoor recreation facility space per 1,000 persons.

**Objective**  
Indoor recreation facility space is adequate for population.

**Notes**  
This measure improved significantly due to new facilities, including the Cassie Campbell Community Centre, and 2nd ice rink at Century Gardens Recreation Centre, brought on stream in 2008.

SLC 92 7356 and 7359 07 Financial Information Return.
### RECREATION - OUTDOOR FACILITY SPACE

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<td>7.955</td>
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**Effectiveness Measure**
Square metres of outdoor recreation facility space per 1,000 persons.

**Objective**
Outdoor recreation facility space is adequate for population.

**Notes**
The Recreation Outdoor-Facility Space measure addresses outdoor facility space with controlled access. Examples include the Chinguacousy Park Wading Pool, Chinguacousy Park Mini Golf and the Eldorado Pool. The change in this measure reflects the City's goal to provide more “open access” outdoor recreation facilities include outdoor sports fields at Cassie Campbell Community Center and various municipal tennis courts throughout the City.

SLC 92 7356 and 7359 07 Financial Information Return.