

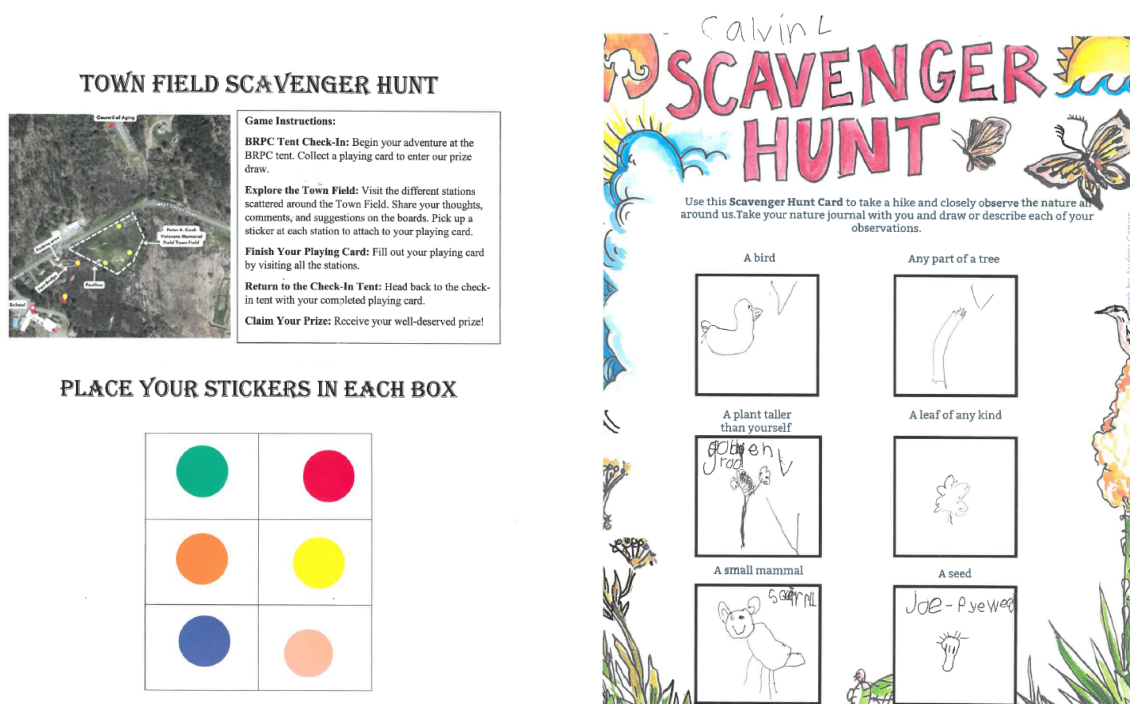
Town Anniversary Community Feedback Summary

During the Clarksburg's 225th Anniversary Event – the MVP Committee and BRPC held a scavenger hunt to gather feedback from attendees. The scavenger hunt started at the Clarksburg MVP Committee tent where committee members and BRPC explained the recently completed planning process and projects that came out, including the redesign and stormwater mitigation at the Town Field and surround area. Participants took a scavenger sheet and visited 6 stations around the Town Field. Stations were at the following locations:

- Booth start location
- Basketball Court/Entrance/Short Walking Path
- Pavilion/Baseball Field
- School nature trail/Emergency Route
- Town Field
- Foot Bridge/Parking Area

A photo of each of the feedback stations can be found at the end of this summary. Participants who completed the scavenger hunt received a prize – blue flag irises. A climate change/nature themed scavenger hunt for kids was available for youth to do alongside the adults. For an example of both sheets see Figure 1. Visitors uninterested in doing the scavenger hunt were engaged in conversation and feedback was recorded on the booth feedback forms.

Figure 1: Scavenger Hunt Forms



Most attendees were Clarksburg residents, although a few were from nearby communities in Vermont and North Adams. Below is a summary of the feedback received throughout the day organized by theme.



1. Recreational Amenities

- Pickleball Courts: 10 mentions
- Track and/or Walking/Running Trail Around Town Field: 9 mentions
- Playground Equipment: 8 mentions
- More outdoor winter activities (bigger Christmas Tree and more holiday events, cross-country skiing, and ice Rink): 4 mention
- Dog Park or Dog amenities (water bowls, tie-up stations, fencing): 4 mentions
- Splash Pad: 1 mention
- Football Field: 1 mention

2. Infrastructure and Accessibility

- Upgraded Paths and Trails Near school and parking areas : 3 mentions
- Better Parking: 3 mentions
- Better Stairs/Walkways for Accessibility: 2 mention
- Stormwater Management: 2 mention
- Railing for stairs near school: 1 mention
- Sidewalks: 1 mention

3. Seating and Shaded Areas

- Shaded Areas: 4 mentions
- More seating for families during games: 3 mentions
- Benches: 3 mentions
- Seating for animal watching: 1 mention

4. Natural and Environmental Features

- Community Garden: 1 mention
- Fruit Trees: 1 mention
- Flowers: 1 mention

5. Community Events and Promotion

- Bring Back Carnival & Bonfire: 1 mention (this came up several times in conversation)
- Increased Online Presence for Event Promotion: 1 mention

6. Miscellaneous

- Better Cellphone Service: 1 mention
- Bathroom: 1 mention

Feedback Sheets & Station Boards

Town Field Comment Form



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The Problem: The Four Corners area including the Town Field, School, and Community Center is essential to the Clarksburg community. Excessive precipitation, persistent drainage issues, and lack of funds have made the space less usable and sometimes unsafe. This foot bridge and path connects the parking area to the rest of the park.

Give Us Your Input: What do you notice? How can it be improved? Add your thoughts below.

- Fence around basketball court
- safe dog park
- benches
- something to hook your dog to while playing basketball
- shade is very important

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- Drainage improvements
- Playground equipment
- New bridge
- better parking
- running trail

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- sitting benches for families and parents
- parents need a place to sit and watch kids at playground!
- need cellphone service
- bigger + better christmas tree - like 40ft tall!
- increased on line presences for town events
- have the fire dept make an ice skating pond during the winter for the kids
- more outdoor activities for winter like cross X
- playground in the middle of a senior walking track

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Physical fitness walking stations.
along w/ raised community gardens
fruit trees.

Four Corners Redesign Project

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Give Us Your Input: What do you notice? How can it be improved? Add your thoughts below the prompts to the right!

School Nature Path/Emergency Route



Don't forget to add your sticker to your playing card!

Share Your Ideas!

What improvements do you think could be made here?

How could this space be safer?

What would make you use this space more?

How could this space be made more accessible to accommodate people of all ages and disabilities?

How else could this space be used to support students and teachers?

What does this space need to prepare us for warmer temperatures and more rain?

UPGRADE PATH FROM TOWN FIELD TO SCHOOL

Nature walk/Paths

Drainage

Redo - stairs from school to field

New Bridge to parking lot from town field

More better parking

raling

plant flowers

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Town Field



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Share Your Ideas!

How do you currently use the open field area, and how could it better serve your needs?

What features or amenities do you think are missing but would greatly benefit this space?

How can we creatively utilize this open space to enhance educational or cultural experiences for our community?

How can we make this space a great destination?

What would make you use this space more?

What does this space need to prepare us for warmer temperatures and more rain?

Dog Park +1

Fix the footbridge/ Improved Draining

Pickleball

PLAYGROUNDS +1+1
FOR KIDS +1
w/swings

Walking/Running path
Track +12

Side Walk to get to the park

Bring back carnival

Ice Ring for #1
Starting winter time

Foot ball field

Splash pad ✓ Better Stairs or walkway to get down for people who have back issues

shade trees

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Parking Area/ Foot Bridge



Paths to School and Parking Area



Foot Bridge to Parking Area

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What would make you feel more
comfortable to be in this space?

How could this space be made
accessible to accommodate people
of all ages and disabilities?

How would you like to use this space?
Walking? Biking? Bird watching?

What does this space need to prepare
us for warmer temperatures and more
rain?

I would like a bench underneath the trees

New bridge - safer to walk on

Wooden Path w/ platform & Seating at end

accessible Trails for elders to walk
for animal watching