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# Parks and Recreation Master Plan

CITY OF INKSTER, MICHIGAN

Home to the Rouge Parkway, the Rouge River, the Inkster Greenway, and close to 20 public parks, the City of Inkster has an extensive number of green spaces and natural features to offer residents and visitors from the region. Even though Inkster is rich in parks, it did not have an active Michigan Department of Resources certified Park and Recreation Plan. Therefore, Inkster hired McKenna to create its Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

To create the plan, McKenna hosted collaborative sessions with the Inkster Parks and Recreation Board of Commissioners and City Leaders to reimagine and reinvigorate existing park and recreation services. These workshops resulted in a comprehensive inventory and technical analysis of the existing park and recreation facilities, including environmental justice guidelines on areas of the city that need more green space opportunities. The project resulted in a Five-year Action Plan that includes tasks such as: entering public-private partnership opportunities, supporting adopt-a-park or adopt-a-garden programs, securing funding sources to make the parks more accessible and inclusive, increasing connectivity of non-motorized trails, and providing more access points along the Rouge River.

