



2015 – 2025
Webb County
Recreational Master Plan
Approaches for determining Parks and Recreation Needs

Listed below are the approaches for determining Parks and Recreation Needs. They can be used independently or in combination as the basis of the Needs Assessment.

The Demand-based approach relies on information gathered from participation rates, surveys and other information that indicates how much of the population wants certain types of facilities.

The Standard-based approach uses established standards to determine the amounts of facilities and park areas needed to meet the needs of a given population size. The standards may be based on studies of demand or the professional judgement of parks and recreation planners and designers.

The Resource-based approach examines the assets and resources of the area for open space, parks and recreation facilities and defines how these resources can be utilized. A good example of this approach is as follows: if the availability of a river or lake within a given area can be utilized as a basis for developing a park around that resource.