

## Fuquay-Varina

The Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Department is responsible for maintaining the Town's parks, athletic fields and for planning Town sponsored community activities. The Department also manages the Community Center which offers seasonal and year-round programs for fitness, education, recreation and adult athletics. The following is a listing of the current park, recreation, open space and greenway facilities managed by the Town.

<b>Park Name</b>	<b>Size (ac)</b>
South Park and Community Center	25.25
Honeycutt Road Park	22
Action Park	14
Falcon Park and Council Gym	5.75
Ballentine Elementary School/Park	15
Library Park	1.6
Historic Fuquay Spring Park	1.5
Carroll Howard Johnson EEP	27
Fuquay-Varina Middle School Fields	3
Fleming Loop Soccer Fields	36
Jones Street Field	2
Kinton Field	2.5
Ransdell Field	4.5
Wake Chapel Field	3
Woodrow Street Recreation Facility	0.5
Heritage Walking Trail & Open Space	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>173.6</b>

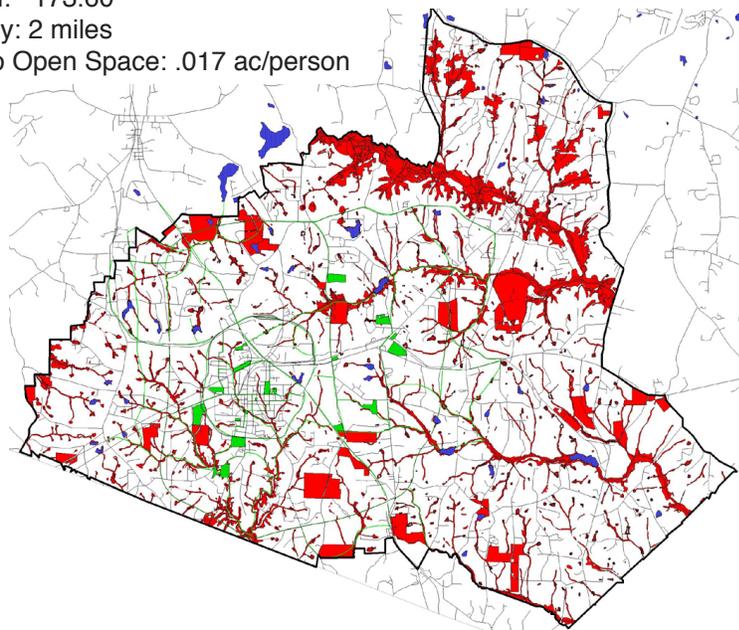
### Vital Statistics:

Population: 10,089 (2003)

Acres of Parkland: 173.60

Miles of Greenway: 2 miles

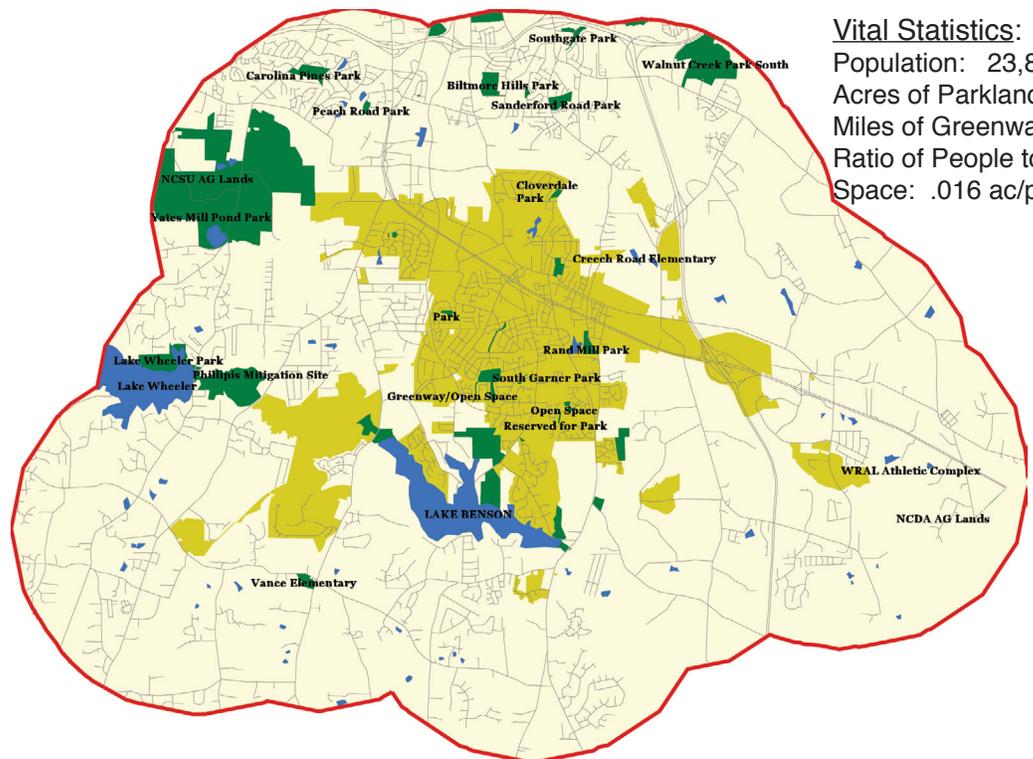
Ratio of People to Open Space: .017 ac/person





## Garner

There are 13 existing parks in Garner, along with the protected land owned by the Town of Garner, North Carolina State University, Wake County and the City of Raleigh. Lake Benson Park, a 64-acre property is the largest developed Town-owned facility. White Deer Park, a 96-acre tract is scheduled for Phase I development in 2007/08. These parks, along with a 120-acre parcel on Swift Creek west of the Lake, act as a buffer for the Lake Benson Reservoir. The Phillips Mitigation site straddles Swift Creek between Lake Wheeler and Lake Benson. Lake Benson is designated as a future primary drinking water source for the area. These properties along Lake Benson and Swift Creek serve as links in a future greenway corridor between Garner and Raleigh. The undeveloped Bryan Nature Park is a wildlife preserve on Mahler's Creek. Cloverdale Park is an existing linear park. Garner Recreational Park contains several trails that connect the park with Creech Road Elementary School and the Garner Senior Center. A future greenway corridor connecting the Historic Downtown, Garner Recreational Park, Garner Senior Center, Creech Road Elementary School and Park, North Garner Middle School, Avery Street Recreation Center and the Garner Historic Auditorium has been identified. Rand Mill Park is a smaller neighborhood park. South Garner Park sits in the midst of a residential community just north of Lake Benson. Jaycee Park, another linear park, is owned by the Wake County Public School System. Other protected open space areas include land along Highway 50 at the eastern end of Lake Benson. Raleigh owns the buffer around the perimeter of Lake Benson. The Town has acquired buffers for many years along waterways that have potential as future greenway links.



**Vital Statistics:**  
 Population: 23,821  
 Acres of Parkland: 395  
 Miles of Greenway: 0  
 Ratio of People to Open Space: .016 ac/person

## Holly Springs

The Parks and Recreation Department was established in 1996 with the hiring of a director and the passage of a \$2 million Parks & Recreation Bond. Prior to 1996, the town had only one park and few recreation programs. Since its inception in 1996, the Department has expanded its parks and recreational programs to complement the rapidly growing diverse population of the community. The goal of the Parks & Recreation Department is to provide all residents with diverse opportunities to achieve a quality leisure experience.

Parrish Womble Park - The Town purchased this 46-acre site in 1997. The park is currently under construction and when completed will be the site of an athletic complex with lighted baseball/softball fields, a football field, soccer fields, horseshoe court, and a volleyball court.

Holly Springs Elementary School Park - This 20-acre tract is located adjacent to Holly Springs Elementary School. Plans are for an environmental and educational park to compliment the school and the developing neighborhood, in conjunction with an age appropriate playground and athletics.

Bass Lake - The town purchased the lake and dam in 1999. Plans are to restore the 114-acre park and lake, destroyed by Hurricane Fran in 1996, to provide passive water based leisure opportunities to its residents and the surrounding communities. The main emphasis will be community fishing lake management and water quality.

Holleman Soccer Fields - A 6 + acre tract the Town leases for use as a soccer complex.

### Vital Statistics:

Population: 9,192

Acres of Parkland: 197

Miles of Greenway: 4 miles

Ratio of People to Open Space: .021 ac/person

