

# Q1 Please describe your involvement in the field of parks and recreation.

Answered: 135    Skipped: 0

| ANSWER CHOICES                           | RESPONSES |     |
|--|-----------|-----|
| Full-Time Park & Recreation Professional | 73.33%    | 99  |
| Part-Time Park & Recreation Professional | 2.96%     | 4   |
| Municipal Official                       | 2.96%     | 4   |
| Volunteer                                | 1.48%     | 2   |
| Park Board Member                        | 1.48%     | 2   |
| Student                                  | 0.74%     | 1   |
| Educator                                 | 2.22%     | 3   |
| Business                                 | 4.44%     | 6   |
| Other (please specify)                   | 10.37%    | 14  |
| TOTAL                                    |           | 135 |

| #  | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)  | DATE               |
|----|---|--------------------|
| 1  | Park Designer and constructor for 37 years safety auditor and class teacher   | 10/8/2025 4:21 PM  |
| 2  | Director of Community Engagement at a community fitness/wellness center, doing grantwriting, fundraising and community engagement | 10/3/2025 4:45 PM  |
| 3  | Former member and retired Direct care worker, CTRS  | 10/2/2025 10:26 AM |
| 4  | Exec Dir of org that works with parks   | 9/30/2025 8:13 PM  |
| 5  | Retired park and recreational professional.   | 9/27/2025 8:03 PM  |
| 6  | Swim Club Manager   | 9/23/2025 9:09 PM  |
| 7  | I'm retired and a Past President of PRPS.   | 9/23/2025 8:57 PM  |
| 8  | Please take my name off the list  | 9/23/2025 2:07 PM  |
| 9  | retired   | 9/23/2025 1:36 PM  |
| 10 | Parks and Recreation Planner  | 9/23/2025 1:19 PM  |
| 11 | Personal Care Administrator   | 8/20/2025 5:36 PM  |
| 12 | Retired full time professional  | 8/20/2025 3:23 PM  |
| 13 | Director of Community Engagement at a community fitness/wellness center, doing grantwriting, fundraising and community engagement | 8/20/2025 1:59 PM  |
| 14 | Risk Manager  | 8/20/2025 12:35 PM |

## Q2 Please describe your organization type.

Answered: 126   Skipped: 9

| ANSWER CHOICES                      | RESPONSES |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----|
| 1-5 Employee Municipal Department   | 28.57%    | 36  |
| 5-10 Employee Municipal Department  | 19.84%    | 25  |
| 11-25 Employee Municipal Department | 14.29%    | 18  |
| 26+ Employee Municipal Department   | 15.87%    | 20  |
| Private or Non-Profit Organization  | 13.49%    | 17  |
| State Agency                        | 2.38%     | 3   |
| Business                            | 5.56%     | 7   |
| TOTAL                               |           | 126 |

## Q3 Which of the following best describes your role.

Answered: 131    Skipped: 4

| ANSWER CHOICES           | RESPONSES |    |
|--------------------------|-----------|----|
| Director                 | 46.56%    | 61 |
| Assistant Director       | 9.92%     | 13 |
| Programming              | 27.48%    | 36 |
| Facilities/Maintenance   | 3.05%     | 4  |
| Grant Writer             | 1.53%     | 2  |
| Recreation Therapist     | 4.58%     | 6  |
| Ranger/Law Enforcement   | 0.76%     | 1  |
| Environmental Educator   | 3.05%     | 4  |
| Aquatics                 | 3.82%     | 5  |
| Public Works             | 2.29%     | 3  |
| Municipal Official       | 1.53%     | 2  |
| Board Member             | 2.29%     | 3  |
| Marketing/Communications | 9.92%     | 13 |
| Sales                    | 3.05%     | 4  |
| Other (please specify)   | 11.45%    | 15 |
| Total Respondents: 131   |           |    |

| #  | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)                        | DATE               |
|----|---|--------------------|
| 1  | Principal Landscape Architect                 | 10/15/2025 6:43 PM |
| 2  | Assistant Professor                           | 10/15/2025 3:44 PM |
| 3  | Direct care worker, CTRS                      | 10/2/2025 10:26 AM |
| 4  | Retired member.                               | 9/27/2025 8:03 PM  |
| 5  | Facility Director (Nature Center)             | 9/24/2025 12:55 PM |
| 6  | planning                                      | 9/23/2025 1:19 PM  |
| 7  | Assistant Township Manager                    | 9/23/2025 12:41 PM |
| 8  | operations                                    | 9/23/2025 11:37 AM |
| 9  | Recreation Supervisor                         | 9/23/2025 10:57 AM |
| 10 | Program/Aquatics Director                     | 9/23/2025 10:36 AM |
| 11 | Landscape Architect                           | 9/23/2025 9:55 AM  |
| 12 | Municipal Manager that handles all Recreation | 8/25/2025 1:08 PM  |
| 13 | Administrator                                 | 8/20/2025 5:36 PM  |

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| 14 | Retired Director | 8/20/2025 3:23 PM  |
| 15 | Risk Manager     | 8/20/2025 12:35 PM |

# Q4 What District do you represent?

Answered: 127    Skipped: 8

| ANSWER CHOICES          | RESPONSES |     |
|-------------------------|-----------|-----|
| District 1 (Western PA) | 15.75%    | 20  |
| District 2 (Central PA) | 22.83%    | 29  |
| District 3 (Eastern PA) | 61.42%    | 78  |
| TOTAL                   |           | 127 |

## Q5 How long have you been a member of PRPS?

Answered: 131   Skipped: 4

| ANSWER CHOICES   | RESPONSES |     |
|------------------|-----------|-----|
| Less than a year | 5.34%     | 7   |
| 1-5 years        | 30.53%    | 40  |
| 6-10 years       | 16.03%    | 21  |
| 11-15 years      | 12.21%    | 16  |
| 16+ years        | 35.88%    | 47  |
| TOTAL            |           | 131 |

## Q6 What type of member benefits have you taken advantage of?

Answered: 132    Skipped: 3

| ANSWER CHOICES                             | RESPONSES |     |
|--|-----------|-----|
| Educational Sessions/Workshops/Webinars    | 88.64%    | 117 |
| Conference & Expo                          | 87.88%    | 116 |
| Networking Opportunities                   | 65.15%    | 86  |
| Online Resources for Trends                | 37.88%    | 50  |
| Grant Opportunities (RecTap, etc.)         | 21.21%    | 28  |
| Discount Tickets                           | 43.94%    | 58  |
| Volunteer Opportunities (committees, etc.) | 37.12%    | 49  |
| Professional Certification                 | 42.42%    | 56  |
| SCOOP eNews                                | 49.24%    | 65  |
| Scholarships                               | 13.64%    | 18  |
| Sponsorship                                | 3.03%     | 4   |
| Technical Assistance                       | 8.33%     | 11  |
| Job Center                                 | 38.64%    | 51  |
| Podcast                                    | 8.33%     | 11  |
| The Maintenance Institute (TMI)            | 15.91%    | 21  |
| CEUs                                       | 49.24%    | 65  |
| Legislative Alerts/Governmental Affairs    | 18.18%    | 24  |
| Awards                                     | 35.61%    | 47  |
| Website                                    | 47.73%    | 63  |
| Other (please specify)                     | 1.52%     | 2   |
| Total Respondents: 132                     |           |     |

| # | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)                     | DATE               |
|---|--|--------------------|
| 1 | None- do not see if there are any benefits | 9/24/2025 12:40 PM |
| 2 | Urban Exchange                             | 9/24/2025 11:32 AM |

## Q7 What is the top reason you joined PRPS?

Answered: 108    Skipped: 27

| #  | RESPONSES  | DATE                |
|----|--|---------------------|
| 1  | Recommended by the Township Manager  | 10/29/2025 12:47 PM |
| 2  | Networking. Being able to talk with people in the same field and bounce ideas off each other and find solutions is a great resource.   | 10/28/2025 2:16 PM  |
| 3  | As a way to network and learn more about Parks and Recreation in PA.   | 10/27/2025 4:28 PM  |
| 4  | Stay connected to other park and rec info in the commonwealth  | 10/22/2025 1:31 PM  |
| 5  | It presented an opportunity to grow in the field while creating connections and providing training opportunities.  | 10/21/2025 11:24 AM |
| 6  | I see the value in networking opportunities and learning from your peers!  | 10/16/2025 10:36 AM |
| 7  | To keep a professional membership within my field  | 10/15/2025 8:54 PM  |
| 8  | Connect with park and recreation professionals   | 10/15/2025 6:43 PM  |
| 9  | To make connections with PRPS  | 10/15/2025 3:44 PM  |
| 10 | I joined PRPS so that I could be informed on the trends of our profession, and for professional development and networking opportunities.  | 10/10/2025 1:24 PM  |
| 11 | networking   | 10/8/2025 4:21 PM   |
| 12 | Promoted by faculty at my university (Lock Haven).   | 10/6/2025 2:02 PM   |
| 13 | The DACC, Danville Area Community Center is growing and gaining momentum. We want to know more about the recreational industry, all kinds of opportunities, and professional development.                                    | 10/3/2025 4:45 PM   |
| 14 | I joined in 1990, I was very active in PRPS til I could longer afford the membership. I still keep in touch with some members and attention the conference at Seven Springs when I can. I love PRPS, have life long friends. | 10/2/2025 10:26 AM  |
| 15 | work   | 10/2/2025 9:41 AM   |
| 16 | Professional Development   | 10/1/2025 9:03 AM   |
| 17 | Networking and grant opportunities   | 9/30/2025 8:13 PM   |
| 18 | Networking and Education   | 9/30/2025 9:17 AM   |
| 19 | Business opportunities, networking and building relationships friendships with PRPS professionals  | 9/29/2025 2:28 PM   |
| 20 | To have a network of parks and rec professionals   | 9/29/2025 11:02 AM  |
| 21 | Professional networking.   | 9/27/2025 8:03 PM   |
| 22 | Professional Organization to network with peers and gain knowledge about Parks and Recreation.   | 9/25/2025 12:38 PM  |
| 23 | Networking and resources   | 9/25/2025 10:58 AM  |
| 24 | To keep up-to-date on the latest trends  | 9/25/2025 10:13 AM  |
| 25 | Professional networking and resources  | 9/25/2025 9:44 AM   |
| 26 | General information  | 9/25/2025 6:28 AM   |
| 27 | Professional Development & Networking  | 9/24/2025 8:54 PM   |



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| 28 | Join like minded individuals in the field   | 9/24/2025 7:38 PM  |
| 29 | State Professional Organization   | 9/24/2025 6:27 PM  |
| 30 | I am a retired Parks professional, and joined while still in undergrad at PSU because I recognized the value that PRPS brings to the field.   | 9/24/2025 4:52 PM  |
| 31 | Conference! And networking  | 9/24/2025 3:36 PM  |
| 32 | The top reason I joined PRPS is to expand my professional opportunities and network. PRPS offers great educational sessions, conferences, and resources.  | 9/24/2025 1:08 PM  |
| 33 | Resources like Job Center postings and TMI  | 9/24/2025 12:55 PM |
| 34 | Support and participate in my Professional organization, Educational and networking opportunities, Staying contemporary in my field, To grow and become a well-rounded professional. Networking/ engagement, comradery. | 9/24/2025 12:48 PM |
| 35 | For networking and learning opportunities and to participate in the discount ticket program.  | 9/24/2025 12:42 PM |
| 36 | Required to as a board member   | 9/24/2025 12:40 PM |
| 37 | Networking and information resource   | 9/24/2025 12:37 PM |
| 38 | Professional Development and Statewide Networking   | 9/24/2025 12:36 PM |
| 39 | Networking and information  | 9/24/2025 12:34 PM |
| 40 | Networking & keeping current educationally/trending topics  | 9/24/2025 12:11 PM |
| 41 | Professional contacts and development   | 9/24/2025 11:54 AM |
| 42 | CEUs, learning opportunities  | 9/24/2025 11:32 AM |
| 43 | Networking and learning/support from others in the field.   | 9/24/2025 10:03 AM |
| 44 | Professional development and networking.  | 9/24/2025 9:11 AM  |
| 45 | Membership is offered to all our full time department employees   | 9/24/2025 9:02 AM  |
| 46 | To make connections and learn more about PRPS.  | 9/24/2025 8:27 AM  |
| 47 | Joined as a student, continued membership as a professional and utilize many benefits of the membership   | 9/24/2025 8:19 AM  |
| 48 | My agency pays for it!  | 9/23/2025 6:27 PM  |
| 49 | To keep up with current trends and the job center   | 9/23/2025 3:28 PM  |
| 50 | It is important to be part of and support a professional organization associated with my career. There was a culture of being involved with PRPS when I joined the department.  | 9/23/2025 3:01 PM  |
| 51 | To become a better professional   | 9/23/2025 2:30 PM  |
| 52 | For networking opportunities and continued education.   | 9/23/2025 2:02 PM  |
| 53 | I am a part of PRPS to keep up with strategies and ideas of other recreation professionals.   | 9/23/2025 1:56 PM  |
| 54 | Info gained through education sessions and networking.  | 9/23/2025 1:32 PM  |
| 55 | Education opportunities, networking and relationships   | 9/23/2025 1:26 PM  |
| 56 | To obtain CEU's, resources and networking. And so that D1, on the good side of the state, remains top dog!!   | 9/23/2025 1:19 PM  |
| 57 | Stay in contact with weather professionals. The Conference.   | 9/23/2025 1:10 PM  |
| 58 | To go to the conference   | 9/23/2025 1:10 PM  |
| 59 | Professional Development  | 9/23/2025 1:08 PM  |
| 60 | Because of my job   | 9/23/2025 1:02 PM  |
| 61 | Professional Development  | 9/23/2025 12:41 PM |

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| 62 | Networking, bench marking. Learning opportunities.   | 9/23/2025 12:05 PM |
| 63 | education, networking  | 9/23/2025 12:00 PM |
| 64 | Networking Community The ability to talk with people in the industry about issues and then coming up with solutions.   | 9/23/2025 11:59 AM |
| 65 | To be more connected to the field of Parks and Recreation  | 9/23/2025 11:54 AM |
| 66 | information  | 9/23/2025 11:51 AM |
| 67 | networking, education/training   | 9/23/2025 11:49 AM |
| 68 | stay of top of industry, connections, career growth  | 9/23/2025 11:43 AM |
| 69 | Offered by my agency   | 9/23/2025 11:37 AM |
| 70 | I'm an educator and was signed up by the organization after previously giving a number of conference sessions for PTRI through the years.  | 9/23/2025 11:36 AM |
| 71 | As a part of my position and to hopefully begin to be able to attend more PRPS offerings.  | 9/23/2025 11:27 AM |
| 72 | It is a benefit of being a Board Member.   | 9/23/2025 11:20 AM |
| 73 | Networking   | 9/23/2025 11:16 AM |
| 74 | To connect with others.  | 9/23/2025 10:58 AM |
| 75 | Was suggested to me in college.  | 9/23/2025 10:57 AM |
| 76 | See what other organizations are doing in parks and rec. Since it's only a part of my responsibilities   | 9/23/2025 10:38 AM |
| 77 | Networking, fresh perspectives and ideas   | 9/23/2025 10:36 AM |
| 78 | To continue to grow at my position and to be able to connect with others in my field.  | 9/23/2025 10:35 AM |
| 79 | To stay connected to the industry and for the member price for the conference  | 9/23/2025 10:31 AM |
| 80 | I work/live in Kansas and have been looking for quality educational resources for parks maintenance. PRPS was the best i've found so far! Although I haven't attended any in-person opportunities (due to not living Penn.) I appreciate the number of webinars. | 9/23/2025 10:27 AM |
| 81 | To stay up to date on P&R trends   | 9/23/2025 10:24 AM |
| 82 | Getting started in the profession to get to know others and network  | 9/23/2025 10:21 AM |
| 83 | education & networking   | 9/23/2025 10:21 AM |
| 84 | networking   | 9/23/2025 10:18 AM |
| 85 | Professional Development   | 9/23/2025 10:17 AM |
| 86 | To have a better avenue to meet people with similar interests.   | 9/23/2025 10:12 AM |
| 87 | To best assist my Township and Parks and Recreation Team be a professional and trained organization - key areas: Professional Development, Growth, Networking, and Trends in the Profession  | 9/23/2025 10:09 AM |
| 88 | Certification  | 9/23/2025 10:05 AM |
| 89 | Professional certification   | 9/23/2025 10:05 AM |
| 90 | Interested in the resources, conferences, & connections, but I never seem to have enough time to even read through most things offered.  | 9/23/2025 10:05 AM |
| 91 | Professional Development   | 9/23/2025 10:02 AM |
| 92 | To gain knowledge in the field and for workshops and other educational resources.  | 9/23/2025 10:01 AM |
| 93 | Professional Development and Networking  | 9/23/2025 10:00 AM |
| 94 | I was instructed to when I began work in 2017  | 9/23/2025 10:00 AM |
| 95 | Networking and keeping up with trends, etc.  | 9/23/2025 10:00 AM |

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| 96  | Professional development  | 9/23/2025 9:58 AM  |
| 97  | Networking.   | 9/23/2025 9:57 AM  |
| 98  | Network and meeting P+R professionals in my local area  | 9/23/2025 9:55 AM  |
| 99  | Networking  | 9/23/2025 9:54 AM  |
| 100 | Network   | 9/23/2025 9:52 AM  |
| 101 | Networking and Peer to Peer information exchange  | 8/25/2025 1:08 PM  |
| 102 | To meet other professionals and network, learn and grow in our profession.  | 8/21/2025 11:29 AM |
| 103 | PTRS  | 8/20/2025 5:36 PM  |
| 104 | Networking and professional development   | 8/20/2025 3:23 PM  |
| 105 | Network and learn.  | 8/20/2025 2:51 PM  |
| 106 | I'm new to the industry, so my learning curve is straight up, and PRPS has been a godsend for information, learning, help and peer contact. | 8/20/2025 1:59 PM  |
| 107 | Boss made me  | 8/20/2025 1:01 PM  |
| 108 | Keep up with Pa. park and recreation trends   | 8/20/2025 12:35 PM |

## Q8 Are you currently satisfied with your PRPS membership benefits?

Answered: 131   Skipped: 4

| ANSWER CHOICES                     | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Very dissatisfied                  | 6.87%     | 9  |
| Dissatisfied                       | 0.00%     | 0  |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 18.32%    | 24 |
| Satisfied                          | 53.44%    | 70 |
| Very satisfied                     | 23.66%    | 31 |
| Total Respondents: 131             |           |    |

## Q9 Are there any member benefits or resources not currently offered that you would like to see?

Answered: 51 Skipped: 84

| #  | RESPONSES  | DATE                |
|----|--|---------------------|
| 1  | Virtual options for meetings/workshops. I'm interested in attending one of the sessions for the fall membership meeting but I can't attend and would love for it to be recorded so that I could still get information from it. | 10/28/2025 2:16 PM  |
| 2  | I'd like to see more info about each districts committee roles.  | 10/16/2025 10:36 AM |
| 3  | Evening or weekend trainings or more asynchronous trainings to maintain CEUs   | 10/15/2025 8:54 PM  |
| 4  | n/a  | 10/15/2025 3:44 PM  |
| 5  | I'm not even sure what all might be available. It is possible I'd ask for a knowledgeable professional to visit the DACC and help us one day, a one time consulting visit.   | 10/3/2025 4:45 PM   |
| 6  | info referral  | 10/2/2025 9:41 AM   |
| 7  | Haven't explored enough to say yet   | 9/30/2025 8:13 PM   |
| 8  | Learning Networks, in my opinion, are less effective in joining like-minded members of the profession; this is compared to Branches, which were dissolved officially in 2023.  | 9/27/2025 8:03 PM   |
| 9  | N/A  | 9/25/2025 6:28 AM   |
| 10 | no   | 9/24/2025 1:08 PM   |
| 11 | I think becoming a bit more aware of the opportunities that are available would be helpful.  | 9/24/2025 12:47 PM  |
| 12 | Unknown  | 9/24/2025 12:40 PM  |
| 13 | I would just like to see improvement to the quality of PRPS educational classes at the conference. I think a lot of them have value but I think some more high level speakers and instructors in the mix would be valuable.    | 9/24/2025 12:36 PM  |
| 14 | Wish still had live TRI conferences. Or be represented at overall PRPS conferences   | 9/24/2025 12:11 PM  |
| 15 | Return of Urban Exchanges  | 9/24/2025 11:32 AM  |
| 16 | I think PRPS is doing a great job with this and there has been a significant increase in opportunities recently.   | 9/24/2025 10:03 AM  |
| 17 | No   | 9/24/2025 9:11 AM   |
| 18 | I would like to see more scholarship or financial aid opportunities to get CPRP certification and to attend the conference.  | 9/24/2025 9:02 AM   |
| 19 | Not sure   | 9/24/2025 8:27 AM   |
| 20 | more collaboration topic sessions with others with same issues   | 9/24/2025 8:19 AM   |
| 21 | no   | 9/23/2025 3:28 PM   |
| 22 | I know it was not PRPS' choice, but the decrease in available discount tickets reduced the foot traffic into our office - it would be nice to see an increase in tickets available.  | 9/23/2025 3:01 PM   |
| 23 | n/a  | 9/23/2025 2:30 PM   |
| 24 | I can not think of any benefits that I would like to see that are not currently offered by PRPS  | 9/23/2025 1:56 PM   |
| 25 | Yes  | 9/23/2025 1:32 PM   |
| 26 | Continued additional education opportunities -- this has ramped up a lot in the last couple of years, -- keep it going   | 9/23/2025 1:26 PM   |

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| 27 | I'm not sure if this exists but having free webinars for professional development throughout the year. Basically, the talks that we had at the conference but offer them virtually throughout the year.   | 9/23/2025 1:10 PM  |
| 28 | Employee Discounts ? Swag? Program Provider Lists? Concert Musicians Lists? Food Truck Vendors? Art Exhibitor Lists? - Shared Resources Section / Discussion Board  | 9/23/2025 1:08 PM  |
| 29 | We need more education session. I got most of my CEU's from non-prps sources  | 9/23/2025 12:05 PM |
| 30 | It's often challenging for smaller organizations to afford comprehensive health insurance for their employees. It would be incredibly beneficial if these organizations could band together to form a collective purchasing group, allowing them to access better coverage at more competitive rates. | 9/23/2025 11:59 AM |
| 31 | n/a   | 9/23/2025 11:51 AM |
| 32 | more opportunities in the western area for trainings/networking.  | 9/23/2025 11:49 AM |
| 33 | no  | 9/23/2025 11:43 AM |
| 34 | no  | 9/23/2025 11:20 AM |
| 35 | n/a   | 9/23/2025 11:16 AM |
| 36 | I would like to see more "meetings" of local directors/program directors/etc. to brainstorm/work together.  | 9/23/2025 10:58 AM |
| 37 | More classes and educational opportunities about marketing/communications. Maybe a best practices roundtable or a way colleagues can exchange ideas (and share grievances!)   | 9/23/2025 10:37 AM |
| 38 | no  | 9/23/2025 10:35 AM |
| 39 | Unsure, I'm not even sure I really know all of the benefits or resources available.   | 9/23/2025 10:31 AM |
| 40 | More CEU options.   | 9/23/2025 10:24 AM |
| 41 | For a 1 person department, perhaps more trainings on the administrative side of running a "business" such as insurance, budgeting, risk management, HR, etc.  | 9/23/2025 10:21 AM |
| 42 | I prefer face to face education, not virtual  | 9/23/2025 10:21 AM |
| 43 | I think expand on Grant Opportunities? Mini Grants for program, services, or equipment would be great for us to apply to.   | 9/23/2025 10:17 AM |
| 44 | N/A   | 9/23/2025 10:12 AM |
| 45 | Not sure  | 9/23/2025 10:02 AM |
| 46 | I think a women specific committee would be beneficial. Also having more local workshops. Traveling over an hour just isn't suitable for me as a full-time working mom of two.  | 9/23/2025 10:00 AM |
| 47 | More distict I activities- educational, social, and networking.   | 9/23/2025 9:57 AM  |
| 48 | None at this time.  | 8/21/2025 11:29 AM |
| 49 | Prefer to see TRI be onsite versus virtual  | 8/20/2025 5:36 PM  |
| 50 | No, I just wish more people in our region were members.   | 8/20/2025 1:59 PM  |
| 51 | Nothing comes to mind   | 8/20/2025 12:35 PM |

## Q10 What professional development opportunities have you participated in?

Answered: 126    Skipped: 9

| ANSWER CHOICES  | RESPONSES |     |
|---|-----------|-----|
| Leadership Academy                                    | 19.05%    | 24  |
| District Workshops                                    | 61.90%    | 78  |
| Maintenance Institute Shop Talks, Webinars, Workshops | 33.33%    | 42  |
| Learning Network Meetings                             | 37.30%    | 47  |
| Pool/Pesticide Workshops                              | 15.08%    | 19  |
| Park or Playground Maintenance Workshops              | 25.40%    | 32  |
| Certified Playground Safety Inspector Certification   | 15.08%    | 19  |
| CPRP/CPRE with Me                                     | 22.22%    | 28  |
| Urban Exchanges                                       | 19.05%    | 24  |
| Community Exchanges                                   | 14.29%    | 18  |
| Therapeutic Recreation Institute                      | 11.90%    | 15  |
| PRPS Conference & Expo                                | 82.54%    | 104 |
| In-Person Workshops                                   | 56.35%    | 71  |
| Webinars  | 53.17%    | 67  |
| Fall Membership Meeting                               | 38.89%    | 49  |
| Mentor Program  | 18.25%    | 23  |
| Other (please specify)                                | 2.38%     | 3   |
| Total Respondents: 126                                |           |     |

| # | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)                          | DATE               |
|---|---|--------------------|
| 1 | Branch-sponsored, Resource Operations Workshops | 9/27/2025 8:03 PM  |
| 2 | None  | 9/24/2025 12:40 PM |
| 3 | None  | 9/23/2025 2:07 PM  |

## Q11 Have you attended any professional development opportunities in the past year?

Answered: 131   Skipped: 4

| ANSWER CHOICES         | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------|-----------|----|
| Yes                    | 68.70%    | 90 |
| No                     | 31.30%    | 41 |
| Total Respondents: 131 |           |    |



## Q12 Do you feel there are enough training resources in your area?

Answered: 127   Skipped: 8

| ANSWER CHOICES         | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------|-----------|----|
| Yes                    | 59.06%    | 75 |
| No                     | 32.28%    | 41 |
| Comment:               | 22.83%    | 29 |
| Total Respondents: 127 |           |    |

| #  | COMMENT:   | DATE                |
|----|--|---------------------|
| 1  | Yes and No. My district does it's best to offer workshops with interesting sessions but sometimes a lot of it is repetitive.   | 10/28/2025 2:16 PM  |
| 2  | Most of the training opportunities coming through PRPS are hosted in mid to western PA. The only time trainings are held in eastern PA seem to be when DIII plan them.   | 10/21/2025 11:24 AM |
| 3  | For as large as the Delaware valley is in the Philadelphia area it seems if we should be more resources especially therapeutic recreation and community recreation. I I don't know how                                     | 10/15/2025 8:54 PM  |
| 4  | Still learning about these, so not sure yet.   | 10/10/2025 1:24 PM  |
| 5  | Have not been involved, I bring a lot to the table via 37 years exp. plus equipment  | 10/8/2025 4:21 PM   |
| 6  | Not sure, haven't explored all the possibilities yet.  | 10/3/2025 4:45 PM   |
| 7  | Would love to see more.  | 10/1/2025 3:23 PM   |
| 8  | PRPS as a whole tends to schedule more classes and programs in the east than the west. More often than not, we are not able to attend upcoming classes/workshops/programs/events because they are 2- 3 hours away from D1. | 9/29/2025 11:02 AM  |
| 9  | I cannot comment on this because I am retired and living in VA.  | 9/24/2025 4:52 PM   |
| 10 | There's always room for additional training opportunities. Please bring back the LERN CPP training for PRPS members.   | 9/24/2025 12:48 PM  |
| 11 | No idea how this helps me as a board member  | 9/24/2025 12:40 PM  |
| 12 | Not in PA?   | 9/24/2025 12:11 PM  |
| 13 | I would never say no to more!  | 9/24/2025 10:03 AM  |
| 14 | Not that I can find  | 9/24/2025 8:27 AM   |
| 15 | I think more regional trainings would be a fantastic addition to what PRPS already does.   | 9/23/2025 3:01 PM   |
| 16 | Need more close to Philadelphia area   | 9/23/2025 1:32 PM   |
| 17 | Would love to see PRPS bring more training opportunities to the districts.   | 9/23/2025 1:32 PM   |
| 18 | Not really in my area, most opportunities are online. But, when you span the entire state, it is difficult to make everything close.   | 9/23/2025 1:26 PM   |
| 19 | More could be offered out West.  | 9/23/2025 1:19 PM   |
| 20 | Unfortunately they are often during our busy season. As a smallish department we don't have time to attend/participate March - October, we are busy. Monday & Fridays are terrible days for us.                            | 9/23/2025 1:10 PM   |
| 21 | Need More  | 9/23/2025 12:05 PM  |
| 22 | Just getting into things and still looking   | 9/23/2025 11:56 AM  |

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| 23 | There could always be more.   | 9/23/2025 11:54 AM |
| 24 | it does not seem the western part of the state has the same training opportunities as the eastern and central part of the state. I think more people would attend if they were closer.  | 9/23/2025 11:49 AM |
| 25 | Would love more opportunities!  | 9/23/2025 11:31 AM |
| 26 | I feel they are offered at our super busy times and it is difficult to attend. Even the conference is always scheduled right when all of our Spring programs are gearing up for the season. It makes it a bit tricky to attend. | 9/23/2025 10:36 AM |
| 27 | Having more in person opportunities, especially related to maintenance would be great not only for me but also for my staff.  | 9/23/2025 10:31 AM |
| 28 | Sometimes yes and sometimes no. Depends on the year.  | 9/23/2025 10:21 AM |
| 29 | As mentioned driving over an hour isn't suitable  | 9/23/2025 10:00 AM |

## Q13 How do you prefer to access your training?

Answered: 129   Skipped: 6

| ANSWER CHOICES                | RESPONSES |     |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----|
| Live online training          | 52.71%    | 68  |
| On-demand virtual training    | 34.88%    | 45  |
| In-person workshops (one day) | 79.07%    | 102 |
| In-person (multi-day)         | 29.46%    | 38  |
| Hybrid training               | 24.81%    | 32  |
| Total Respondents: 129        |           |     |

## Q14 Where do you get information for professional development?

Answered: 93    Skipped: 42

| #  | RESPONSES  | DATE                |
|----|--|---------------------|
| 1  | email blasts and word of mouth   | 10/28/2025 2:16 PM  |
| 2  | pRpS, Napa,  | 10/27/2025 4:28 PM  |
| 3  | Generally from PRPS, NRPA, or free webinars/trainings offered by vendors.                        | 10/21/2025 11:24 AM |
| 4  | The scoop, NRPA website, and Park & Rec Facebook Groups  | 10/16/2025 10:36 AM |
| 5  | Professional organizations, Google   | 10/15/2025 8:54 PM  |
| 6  | My university  | 10/15/2025 3:44 PM  |
| 7  | PRPS, NRPA, companies in the field (ex. PlayCore)  | 10/10/2025 1:24 PM  |
| 8  | PRPS e-mails and The Scoop   | 10/6/2025 2:02 PM   |
| 9  | PRPS! Online CRM providers and consultants, Small Business Development Centers.                  | 10/3/2025 4:45 PM   |
| 10 | No longer working  | 10/2/2025 10:26 AM  |
| 11 | website  | 10/2/2025 9:41 AM   |
| 12 | PRPS Website   | 10/1/2025 9:03 AM   |
| 13 | City Parks Alliance  | 9/30/2025 8:13 PM   |
| 14 | PRPS website   | 9/30/2025 9:17 AM   |
| 15 | email blasts   | 9/29/2025 11:02 AM  |
| 16 | PRPS workshops; e-mails from various conservation agencies (Delaware Riverkeeper Network, etc.). | 9/27/2025 8:03 PM   |
| 17 | NRPA or PRPS   | 9/25/2025 10:13 AM  |
| 18 | Emails, LinkedIn   | 9/25/2025 9:44 AM   |
| 19 | Multitude of organizations   | 9/25/2025 6:28 AM   |
| 20 | PRPS Website & D3 Newsletter   | 9/24/2025 8:54 PM   |
| 21 | PRPS, NRPA, independent research   | 9/24/2025 6:27 PM   |
| 22 | PRPS, NRPA   | 9/24/2025 4:52 PM   |
| 23 | PRPS Scoop, PRPS website, NRPA website   | 9/24/2025 3:36 PM   |
| 24 | PRPS Emails  | 9/24/2025 1:08 PM   |
| 25 | E-newsletters  | 9/24/2025 12:55 PM  |
| 26 | PRPS, NRPA, LERN, perdoanl research, professional outreach.                                      | 9/24/2025 12:48 PM  |
| 27 | Mainly from PRPS notifications   | 9/24/2025 12:42 PM  |
| 28 | Unknown  | 9/24/2025 12:40 PM  |
| 29 | Emails from PRPS   | 9/24/2025 12:37 PM  |
| 30 | Email  | 9/24/2025 12:36 PM  |
| 31 | Peers, online chat groups, my company, virtual workshops   | 9/24/2025 12:11 PM  |
| 32 | website/SCOOP  | 9/24/2025 11:54 AM  |

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| 33 | PRPS and NRPA  | 9/24/2025 11:32 AM |
| 34 | Weekly scoop and the meetings I am a part of.  | 9/24/2025 10:03 AM |
| 35 | PRPS Website   | 9/24/2025 9:11 AM  |
| 36 | PRPS, APOST, PAEE, DCNR, NRPA  | 9/24/2025 9:02 AM  |
| 37 | website or facebook  | 9/24/2025 8:19 AM  |
| 38 | emails   | 9/23/2025 9:09 PM  |
| 39 | The department, NRPA, & PRPS   | 9/23/2025 6:27 PM  |
| 40 | off the PRPS website   | 9/23/2025 3:28 PM  |
| 41 | PRPS, NRPA, DCNR, County If I can't find it, I'll sometimes seek out my own instructors and organize a regional meeting. | 9/23/2025 3:01 PM  |
| 42 | job provided   | 9/23/2025 2:30 PM  |
| 43 | Online   | 9/23/2025 2:02 PM  |
| 44 | I get information from my manager and PRPS in reference to professional development.                                     | 9/23/2025 1:56 PM  |
| 45 | Web site   | 9/23/2025 1:32 PM  |
| 46 | Emails (the SCOOP); website; word of mouth.  | 9/23/2025 1:32 PM  |
| 47 | website or search engine usually   | 9/23/2025 1:26 PM  |
| 48 | Scoop  | 9/23/2025 1:19 PM  |
| 49 | e-mail - magazine  | 9/23/2025 1:10 PM  |
| 50 | PRPS email   | 9/23/2025 1:10 PM  |
| 51 | Emails   | 9/23/2025 1:02 PM  |
| 52 | Email and website  | 9/23/2025 12:41 PM |
| 53 | Googling. The internet.  | 9/23/2025 12:05 PM |
| 54 | email; PRPS, PAEE, NAAEE   | 9/23/2025 12:00 PM |
| 55 | lots of places, online, books, in-person trainings   | 9/23/2025 11:59 AM |
| 56 | PRPS, NRPA, various other governmental organizations.  | 9/23/2025 11:54 AM |
| 57 | website's  | 9/23/2025 11:51 AM |
| 58 | online, emails, networking, print  | 9/23/2025 11:49 AM |
| 59 | on-line or in person trainings   | 9/23/2025 11:43 AM |
| 60 | PRPS and NRPA websites and DIII emails   | 9/23/2025 11:37 AM |
| 61 | PRPS, WWOAP, AWWA, PA DCNR, PADEP and PA Dept of Health  | 9/23/2025 11:20 AM |
| 62 | PRPS.org, Scoop  | 9/23/2025 11:16 AM |
| 63 | NRPA and PRPS  | 9/23/2025 10:58 AM |
| 64 | PRPS Scoop   | 9/23/2025 10:57 AM |
| 65 | Email  | 9/23/2025 10:38 AM |
| 66 | Typically the emails.  | 9/23/2025 10:36 AM |
| 67 | facebook   | 9/23/2025 10:35 AM |
| 68 | To find the opportunities out there, usually newsletters.  | 9/23/2025 10:31 AM |
| 69 | newsletter   | 9/23/2025 10:27 AM |
| 70 | emails   | 9/23/2025 10:24 AM |

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| 71 | Email news; facebook  | 9/23/2025 10:21 AM |
| 72 | email   | 9/23/2025 10:21 AM |
| 73 | PRPS website, NRPA website, scoop                           | 9/23/2025 10:18 AM |
| 74 | PRPS Scoop  | 9/23/2025 10:17 AM |
| 75 | PRPS Scoop, Website, NRPA                                   | 9/23/2025 10:09 AM |
| 76 | Email   | 9/23/2025 10:05 AM |
| 77 | email, website  | 9/23/2025 10:05 AM |
| 78 | email announcements   | 9/23/2025 10:05 AM |
| 79 | All sorts of organizations.                                 | 9/23/2025 10:02 AM |
| 80 | Emails, website   | 9/23/2025 10:01 AM |
| 81 | Website, emails, word of mouth (meetings)                   | 9/23/2025 10:00 AM |
| 82 | Emails, Facebook, word of mouth                             | 9/23/2025 10:00 AM |
| 83 | PRPS scoop, website   | 9/23/2025 9:58 AM  |
| 84 | PRPS, NRPA  | 9/23/2025 9:57 AM  |
| 85 | the scoop / emails  | 9/23/2025 9:55 AM  |
| 86 | Scoop   | 9/23/2025 9:52 AM  |
| 87 | SCOOP   | 8/25/2025 1:08 PM  |
| 88 | Internet postings, PRPS News                                | 8/20/2025 5:36 PM  |
| 89 | PRPS newsletter and publications                            | 8/20/2025 3:23 PM  |
| 90 | PRPS Scoop  | 8/20/2025 2:51 PM  |
| 91 | PRPS and private providers of fundraising and CRM services. | 8/20/2025 1:59 PM  |
| 92 | PRPS emails   | 8/20/2025 1:01 PM  |
| 93 | Web and emails  | 8/20/2025 12:35 PM |

## Q15 What additional training opportunities would you like to see?

Answered: 123   Skipped: 12

| ANSWER CHOICES                               | RESPONSES |    |
|--|-----------|----|
| Summer Camp                                  | 34.15%    | 42 |
| Marketing/Social Media                       | 52.85%    | 65 |
| Access for all (ADA, Diversity, etc.)        | 42.28%    | 52 |
| Trends                                       | 56.10%    | 69 |
| Communications/Marketing/PR                  | 43.09%    | 53 |
| Administration (HR, Finance, planning, etc.) | 38.21%    | 47 |
| Aquatics                                     | 15.45%    | 19 |
| Athletics                                    | 18.70%    | 23 |
| Maintenance, Facilities, Operations          | 40.65%    | 50 |
| Programming, Events                          | 55.28%    | 68 |
| Therapeutic Recreation                       | 15.45%    | 19 |
| Other (please specify)                       | 12.20%    | 15 |
| Total Respondents: 123                       |           |    |

| #  | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)   | DATE               |
|----|--|--------------------|
| 1  | Programming is the heart of ALL of our jobs. I feel it's often overlooked by topics like funding, grants, park development, etc. Programming and the creative sides of our jobs should have more emphasis from PRPS.   | 9/29/2025 11:02 AM |
| 2  | grants   | 9/25/2025 10:58 AM |
| 3  | AI   | 9/24/2025 6:27 PM  |
| 4  | Do not see how these benefit me  | 9/24/2025 12:40 PM |
| 5  | E bike guidance  | 9/24/2025 12:34 PM |
| 6  | Nonprofit management, staff management, urban recreation specific  | 9/24/2025 11:32 AM |
| 7  | I would really like a more in-depth marketing/social media training - not just the basics - since social media is always changing. I'm interested in analytics, best practices, etc. In addition, I think more opportunities regarding upcoming trends (such as Padel) is really beneficial. Maybe even a place where members can post the new programs/events they implemented each year (like the resource library but specifically for trends/new ideas). | 9/24/2025 10:03 AM |
| 8  | Incorporating Native American programming into our state system  | 9/23/2025 6:27 PM  |
| 9  | I think a deep dive into "new and emerging" social media platforms would be beneficial.  | 9/23/2025 3:01 PM  |
| 10 | AI   | 9/23/2025 11:43 AM |
| 11 | Real world examples with directions on how to make it happen, less big ideas.  | 9/23/2025 11:37 AM |
| 12 | Trail related  | 9/23/2025 10:31 AM |
| 13 | professional/personal development, time management, education for all, not just parks  | 9/23/2025 10:21 AM |

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| 14 | Staffing  | 9/23/2025 10:00 AM |
| 15 | Programs for Park Rangers duties, concerns, training Dealing with historic properties in your Parks - resources for those | 8/20/2025 3:23 PM  |



**Q16 Learning Networks provide opportunities to connect with other members with similar interests and expertise and include: Administration, Aquatics, Athletics, Emerging Professionals, Facilities Maintenance/ & Operations, IDEA, Programs/Summer Camps/Special Events, Therapeutic Recreation. How often would you like to meet/participate?**

Answered: 121   Skipped: 14

| ANSWER CHOICES                             | RESPONSES |    |
|--|-----------|----|
| Quarterly Zoom meetings                    | 43.80%    | 53 |
| Twice Annual Zoom meetings                 | 29.75%    | 36 |
| In-person meeting at Conference            | 39.67%    | 48 |
| Annual in-person workshop/networking event | 32.23%    | 39 |
| Total Respondents: 121                     |           |    |

## Q17 What day(s) and time(s) do you prefer to attend a Learning Network Zoom meeting?

Answered: 115   Skipped: 20

| ANSWER CHOICES         | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------|-----------|----|
| Monday                 | 26.96%    | 31 |
| Tuesday                | 59.13%    | 68 |
| Wednesday              | 53.04%    | 61 |
| Thursday               | 57.39%    | 66 |
| Friday                 | 19.13%    | 22 |
| Morning                | 48.70%    | 56 |
| Noon                   | 30.43%    | 35 |
| Afternoon              | 23.48%    | 27 |
| Total Respondents: 115 |           |    |

## Q18 What other professional organization memberships do you hold?

Answered: 88    Skipped: 47

| #  | RESPONSES  | DATE                |
|----|--|---------------------|
| 1  | NRPA   | 10/28/2025 2:16 PM  |
| 2  | NRPA   | 10/21/2025 11:24 AM |
| 3  | NRPA   | 10/16/2025 10:36 AM |
| 4  | ATRA, NAIDD, NRPA, AA  | 10/15/2025 8:54 PM  |
| 5  | ASLA, PAEP   | 10/15/2025 6:43 PM  |
| 6  | ACSM, SHAPE PA, SHAPE America, AEE   | 10/15/2025 3:44 PM  |
| 7  | Kappa Delta Pi (education honors society)  | 10/10/2025 1:24 PM  |
| 8  | NRPA   | 10/8/2025 4:21 PM   |
| 9  | none currently   | 10/6/2025 2:02 PM   |
| 10 | None related to Parks and Recreation.  | 10/3/2025 4:45 PM   |
| 11 | Lifetime membership in Girls Scouts and Alpha Omega Service Fraternity                 | 10/2/2025 10:26 AM  |
| 12 | NRPA   | 10/1/2025 3:23 PM   |
| 13 | Association of Aquatic Professionals   | 10/1/2025 9:03 AM   |
| 14 | PA Downtown Center, City Parks Alliance  | 9/30/2025 8:13 PM   |
| 15 | NRPA   | 9/30/2025 9:17 AM   |
| 16 | NRPA and IFEA  | 9/29/2025 11:02 AM  |
| 17 | Delaware Riverkeeper Network; Trout Unlimited (Valley Forge Chapter).                  | 9/27/2025 8:03 PM   |
| 18 | PLNA   | 9/25/2025 2:19 PM   |
| 19 | NRPA   | 9/25/2025 12:38 PM  |
| 20 | NRPA   | 9/25/2025 10:58 AM  |
| 21 | n/a  | 9/25/2025 10:13 AM  |
| 22 | 3CMA, NRPA   | 9/25/2025 9:44 AM   |
| 23 | PLEA   | 9/25/2025 6:28 AM   |
| 24 | Nrpa   | 9/24/2025 7:38 PM   |
| 25 | NRPA, ACA  | 9/24/2025 6:27 PM   |
| 26 | NRPA; Virginia Master Naturalist (certified)   | 9/24/2025 4:52 PM   |
| 27 | NRPA   | 9/24/2025 3:36 PM   |
| 28 | NRPA   | 9/24/2025 1:08 PM   |
| 29 | Association of Nature Center Administrators, PA Association of Environmental Educators | 9/24/2025 12:55 PM  |
| 30 | NRPA: CPRP, CPSI, LERN: CPP  | 9/24/2025 12:48 PM  |
| 31 | NRPA   | 9/24/2025 12:47 PM  |
| 32 | Bucks County Emergency Medical Corps   | 9/24/2025 12:40 PM  |
| 33 | NRPA   | 9/24/2025 12:37 PM  |

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| 34 | NRPA  | 9/24/2025 12:36 PM |
| 35 | NRPA  | 9/24/2025 12:34 PM |
| 36 | Dementia Practitioner   | 9/24/2025 12:11 PM |
| 37 | NRPA  | 9/24/2025 11:54 AM |
| 38 | NRPA  | 9/24/2025 11:32 AM |
| 39 | NRPA (sometimes, not every year)  | 9/24/2025 10:03 AM |
| 40 | NRPA, PSABS   | 9/24/2025 9:11 AM  |
| 41 | NRPA  | 9/24/2025 8:33 AM  |
| 42 | NRPA  | 9/24/2025 8:19 AM  |
| 43 | PAPA  | 9/23/2025 5:22 PM  |
| 44 | NRPA  | 9/23/2025 3:30 PM  |
| 45 | NRPA  | 9/23/2025 3:01 PM  |
| 46 | n/a   | 9/23/2025 2:30 PM  |
| 47 | NRPA  | 9/23/2025 1:32 PM  |
| 48 | NRPA  | 9/23/2025 1:26 PM  |
| 49 | NRPA  | 9/23/2025 1:19 PM  |
| 50 | Pennsylvania Environmental Educators Association, Wheeling Creek Watershed Commission | 9/23/2025 1:10 PM  |
| 51 | APMM, ICMA PML  | 9/23/2025 12:41 PM |
| 52 | NRPA  | 9/23/2025 12:05 PM |
| 53 | ANCA  | 9/23/2025 12:00 PM |
| 54 | CPO, American Red Cross Instructor  | 9/23/2025 11:59 AM |
| 55 | n/a   | 9/23/2025 11:51 AM |
| 56 | NRPA, NACPRO and local organizations  | 9/23/2025 11:49 AM |
| 57 | NRPA  | 9/23/2025 11:43 AM |
| 58 | NJ/EPA TRA, ATRA  | 9/23/2025 11:36 AM |
| 59 | WWOAP   | 9/23/2025 11:20 AM |
| 60 | Community Associations Institute (CAI)  | 9/23/2025 11:16 AM |
| 61 | NRPA  | 9/23/2025 10:58 AM |
| 62 | CPRP  | 9/23/2025 10:57 AM |
| 63 | APWA  | 9/23/2025 10:38 AM |
| 64 | n/a   | 9/23/2025 10:36 AM |
| 65 | none  | 9/23/2025 10:35 AM |
| 66 | NAI, NAAEE  | 9/23/2025 10:31 AM |
| 67 | NRPA, Kansas Recreation and Parks Association, Kansas Turfgrass Association           | 9/23/2025 10:27 AM |
| 68 | NPRA  | 9/23/2025 10:24 AM |
| 69 | N/A   | 9/23/2025 10:21 AM |
| 70 | NRPA, AAOP  | 9/23/2025 10:18 AM |
| 71 | CPRP  | 9/23/2025 10:17 AM |

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| 72 | NRPA, Arbor Day Foundation, Nature Conservancy, Sierra Club | 9/23/2025 10:09 AM |
| 73 | KAFMO, NRPA   | 9/23/2025 10:05 AM |
| 74 | NRPA  | 9/23/2025 10:05 AM |
| 75 | Event Safety Alliance                                       | 9/23/2025 10:02 AM |
| 76 | NRPA  | 9/23/2025 10:01 AM |
| 77 | NRPA  | 9/23/2025 10:00 AM |
| 78 | N/A   | 9/23/2025 9:57 AM  |
| 79 | ULI, ASLA, VRPS   | 9/23/2025 9:55 AM  |
| 80 | NRPA  | 9/23/2025 9:55 AM  |
| 81 | NRPA  | 9/23/2025 9:52 AM  |
| 82 | None  | 8/20/2025 5:36 PM  |
| 83 | NRPA  | 8/20/2025 3:42 PM  |
| 84 | None  | 8/20/2025 2:51 PM  |
| 85 | None  | 8/20/2025 1:59 PM  |
| 86 | CPRP  | 8/20/2025 1:01 PM  |
| 87 | NRPA  | 8/20/2025 1:00 PM  |
| 88 | AIHA, IACP, APWA  | 8/20/2025 12:35 PM |

## Q19 Are you satisfied with your engagement in PRPS?

Answered: 130   Skipped: 5

| ANSWER CHOICES                     | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Very satisfied                     | 25.38%    | 33 |
| Satisfied                          | 49.23%    | 64 |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 23.08%    | 30 |
| Dissatisfied                       | 1.54%     | 2  |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 0.77%     | 1  |
| Total Respondents: 130             |           |    |

## Q20 What kind of opportunities for involvement would you like to see?

Answered: 35   Skipped: 100

| #  | RESPONSES   | DATE                |
|----|---|---------------------|
| 1  | I'm interested in learning more about the committees but I don't know much about their roles and what commitment level is required. I've been on the conference committee before and enjoyed that experience and would be interested in helping again in the future.  | 10/28/2025 2:16 PM  |
| 2  | Volunteer opportunities for the PRPS conference/NRPA conference. It seems like only select members find out and assist unless it's a dire emergency.  | 10/21/2025 11:24 AM |
| 3  | More focus on tools for young professionals and more high school/college outreach.  | 10/16/2025 10:36 AM |
| 4  | I would like to work for the team of people to establish a therapeutic recreation presence in Philadelphia's Department of recreation facilities and programs   | 10/15/2025 8:54 PM  |
| 5  | connection with local members - Philly area   | 10/15/2025 3:44 PM  |
| 6  | I can train Park Professionals everything   | 10/8/2025 4:21 PM   |
| 7  | More trainings in AI, grant writing, outreach, social media, etc.   | 10/3/2025 4:45 PM   |
| 8  | more monthly meetings, more local workshops   | 10/1/2025 3:23 PM   |
| 9  | Help for new organizations  | 9/30/2025 8:13 PM   |
| 10 | More social events and more networking opportunities. Chances to see my friends and colleagues in PRPS more often. Phillies/Flyers games?   | 9/29/2025 2:28 PM   |
| 11 | Something with social media - where more of our local programming is shared.  | 9/24/2025 3:36 PM   |
| 12 | It's really a matter of having time to volunteer to be a part of the committees its nothing on PRPS side  | 9/24/2025 12:36 PM  |
| 13 | See above   | 9/24/2025 12:11 PM  |
| 14 | Learning from other professionals   | 9/24/2025 11:32 AM  |
| 15 | I'm already taking advantage of the many opportunities for involvement. I do appreciate the recent effort from PRPS and Leadership Development Committee/BOD Members at Large to recruit new faces and share involvement opportunities in more places (website, scoop, etc.) so every member knows they are welcome and invited to volunteer. | 9/24/2025 10:03 AM  |
| 16 | none  | 9/24/2025 8:19 AM   |
| 17 | n/a   | 9/23/2025 2:30 PM   |
| 18 | In-person or on-line Workshops in November - February.  | 9/23/2025 1:10 PM   |
| 19 | Learning Networks don't work. It should be more straight forward  | 9/23/2025 12:05 PM  |
| 20 | not sure  | 9/23/2025 11:59 AM  |
| 21 | Therapeutic Recreation  | 9/23/2025 11:56 AM  |
| 22 | In person meetings at different county or state parks around the state.   | 9/23/2025 11:20 AM  |
| 23 | Social Gatherings not revolving around Alcohol  | 9/23/2025 11:16 AM  |
| 24 | i think the current opportunities are great   | 9/23/2025 10:35 AM  |
| 25 | ?   | 9/23/2025 10:31 AM  |
| 26 | Unsure  | 9/23/2025 10:24 AM  |
| 27 | I feel there are a lot of opportunities to be involved already  | 9/23/2025 10:21 AM  |

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| 28 | in person TRI  | 9/23/2025 10:21 AM |
| 29 | Avenues for seeking and applying for grants. Opportunities to meet Landscape Architects  | 9/23/2025 10:17 AM |
| 30 | More programming/event workshops, marketing, sponsorships  | 9/23/2025 10:02 AM |
| 31 | More social gathering in a learning environment  | 9/23/2025 10:00 AM |
| 32 | There is a core group and they are really involved but if you're part of a small program or position is more than just recreation you seem to get left on the outside... for example the district belt most of us just sit back and watch the same people participate. | 8/25/2025 1:08 PM  |
| 33 | Not sure   | 8/20/2025 2:51 PM  |
| 34 | Maybe a regional invitation meeting for all the local parks and rec providers so they could find out what's happening. I'm referring to the Danville, Bloomsburg, Sunbury, Lewisburg, Williamsport areas.  | 8/20/2025 1:59 PM  |
| 35 | There are plenty of opportunities currently available.   | 8/20/2025 12:35 PM |



## Q21 Would you like to volunteer for PRPS as opportunities are available? (<https://prps.org/volunteeropportunities>)

Answered: 56    Skipped: 79

| ANSWER CHOICES  | RESPONSES |    |
|---|-----------|----|
| Leadership Development Committee  | 23.21%    | 13 |
| Recognitions & Awards Committee   | 26.79%    | 15 |
| Membership Committee  | 7.14%     | 4  |
| Finance Committee   | 1.79%     | 1  |
| Governmental Affairs Committee  | 12.50%    | 7  |
| Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee   | 12.50%    | 7  |
| Annual Conference & Expo Committee  | 26.79%    | 15 |
| Blogging Team   | 3.57%     | 2  |
| Education Committee   | 19.64%    | 11 |
| Advancement Team  | 3.57%     | 2  |
| Communications Committee  | 12.50%    | 7  |
| Sponsorship Committee   | 1.79%     | 1  |
| Mentor an emerging professional   | 19.64%    | 11 |
| Present at a conference/workshop/webinar/podcast  | 28.57%    | 16 |
| Host a workshop at my facility  | 46.43%    | 26 |
| Provide a testimonial or story  | 17.86%    | 10 |
| Create a "Day in the Life of a Park and Recreation Professional" or "Follow Me" video       | 14.29%    | 8  |
| Write a magazine article  | 26.79%    | 15 |
| Host Park and Recreation Professionals Day Spotlight Event                                  | 16.07%    | 9  |
| Cover a shift at a PRPS booth at a university career fair or municipal officials conference | 25.00%    | 14 |
| Total Respondents: 56   |           |    |

| # | IF INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING, PLEASE PROVIDE EMAIL ADDRESS:   | DATE                |
|---|--|---------------------|
| 1 | rvandegrift@lmt.org  | 10/21/2025 11:24 AM |
| 2 | hsmith@susquehannatwp.com  | 10/16/2025 10:36 AM |
| 3 | Survey every recreation professional who works for the city of Philadelphia to get feedback from them about their point of view regarding having recreation therapist as a member of each recreation centers team. | 10/15/2025 8:54 PM  |
| 4 | mford@sportsrecassoc.com   | 10/8/2025 4:21 PM   |
| 5 | mlgiesen@danvilleacc.org   | 10/3/2025 4:45 PM   |

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| 6  | Hbggreenalliance@gmail.com  | 9/30/2025 8:13 PM  |
| 7  | DJdaveboice@gmail.com   | 9/29/2025 2:28 PM  |
| 8  | cgreene@murrysville.com   | 9/29/2025 11:02 AM |
| 9  | jpmik@comcast.net   | 9/27/2025 8:03 PM  |
| 10 | mulch@amlogging.com   | 9/25/2025 2:19 PM  |
| 11 | abroudy@hatfield.org  | 9/25/2025 10:58 AM |
| 12 | charris@dovertownship.org   | 9/24/2025 3:36 PM  |
| 13 | kasweeney@doylestownpa.org  | 9/24/2025 12:48 PM |
| 14 | ehinri@yahoo.com  | 9/24/2025 12:40 PM |
| 15 | pgraham@middletownbucks.org   | 9/24/2025 12:36 PM |
| 16 | Already hold position in D3   | 9/24/2025 12:34 PM |
| 17 | techevarria@upperdublin.net   | 9/24/2025 11:54 AM |
| 18 | lshaughnessy@moontwp.us   | 9/24/2025 9:02 AM  |
| 19 | cfox@lansdale.gov   | 9/24/2025 8:33 AM  |
| 20 | improvyourlife247@gmail.com   | 9/24/2025 8:27 AM  |
| 21 | Curtis.johnson@phila.gov  | 9/23/2025 2:30 PM  |
| 22 | I'm on GAC  | 9/23/2025 1:36 PM  |
| 23 | klehr@westgoshen.org  | 9/23/2025 1:32 PM  |
| 24 | lwellive@co.butler.pa.us - have volunteered in the past for multiple committees | 9/23/2025 11:49 AM |
| 25 | Not at this time.   | 9/23/2025 11:20 AM |
| 26 | cjr147@psu.edu  | 9/23/2025 10:31 AM |
| 27 | eyrecauthority@gmail.com  | 9/23/2025 10:21 AM |
| 28 | agesent@lancastercountypa.gov   | 9/23/2025 10:18 AM |
| 29 | mstopa@manheimtownship.org  | 9/23/2025 10:17 AM |
| 30 | abrandt@westwhiteland.org   | 9/23/2025 9:55 AM  |
| 31 | lucas@delawarehighlands.org   | 9/23/2025 9:54 AM  |
| 32 | wsalvatore@cheltenhampa.gov   | 8/20/2025 1:00 PM  |
| 33 | perndwein@dvtrusts.com  | 8/20/2025 12:35 PM |

## Q22 What is your preferred method of communication from PRPS?

Answered: 129   Skipped: 6

| ANSWER CHOICES                                | RESPONSES |     |
|---|-----------|-----|
| Email   | 89.92%    | 116 |
| SCOOP   | 43.41%    | 56  |
| Print   | 7.75%     | 10  |
| Social Media                                  | 14.73%    | 19  |
| App (currently only available for conference) | 3.10%     | 4   |
| Total Respondents: 129                        |           |     |

## Q23 How can PRPS better meet your needs and serve you as a member?

Answered: 49   Skipped: 86

| #  | RESPONSES   | DATE                |
|----|---|---------------------|
| 1  | I'd like to see more virtual options for trainings and workshops. And more program based sessions.  | 10/28/2025 2:16 PM  |
| 2  | It seems like opportunities and resources are there, but they feel hidden at times. Making these opportunities better expressed would be big for the membership. I'll also be more open to assisting in more facets as I continue to grow in the field.   | 10/21/2025 11:24 AM |
| 3  | Offer more evening and weekend Zoom trainings   | 10/15/2025 8:54 PM  |
| 4  | not sure  | 10/15/2025 3:44 PM  |
| 5  | As a newer member, I do appreciate being reminded of what opportunities and resources are available to members through PRPS. So please keep that up!  | 10/10/2025 1:24 PM  |
| 6  | Use my experience More than most  | 10/8/2025 4:21 PM   |
| 7  | Be careful when offering guidance on health, social or political related issues. Need to stay more middle of the road. PRPS went over the cliff with guidance during COVID (2020-2021). As we have learned since, many of the actions done did not benefit many in our community populations. Same thing has happened with many DEI related topics. PRPS sort-of went overboard with promoting DEI initiatives. Now we are seeing that much of the State's population views these initiatives as actually discriminatory in themselves. | 10/6/2025 2:02 PM   |
| 8  | I'd love to know more about the mentor program.   | 10/3/2025 4:45 PM   |
| 9  | Resources library? Funding help/grants directory?   | 9/30/2025 8:13 PM   |
| 10 | Use my services more often  | 9/29/2025 2:28 PM   |
| 11 | Schedule more workshops and trainings in District 1 area  | 9/29/2025 11:02 AM  |
| 12 | As a retired member, my needs from PRPS (and general interaction with members) are greatly reduced, compared to my decades of employment as a County parks and recreation director.   | 9/27/2025 8:03 PM   |
| 13 | Nothing off the top of my head. I want to be more involved, but have very limited time.   | 9/25/2025 9:44 AM   |
| 14 | Keep doing what you're doing! Offer workshops in multiple districts considering those that can't travel. Include some advanced practical application training for upcoming professionals such as budgeting, data collection/management, etc.  | 9/24/2025 12:48 PM  |
| 15 | More & clear communication.   | 9/24/2025 12:47 PM  |
| 16 | How does it help a P&R board member?  | 9/24/2025 12:40 PM  |
| 17 | Surveys/feedback opportunity for what we need are very helpful!   | 9/24/2025 11:32 AM  |
| 18 | Continue to follow trends and offer relevant training opportunities.  | 9/24/2025 10:03 AM  |
| 19 | I would like PRPS to communicate to directors and managers of Parks and Recreation departments and municipalities the importance of employees attending professional development opportunities, conferences, workshops, and gaining certifications. It is much easier for these to be offered to me as an employee than me trying to ask, explain and defend the importance of my attendance and participation.   | 9/24/2025 9:02 AM   |
| 20 | none  | 9/24/2025 8:19 AM   |
| 21 | great job   | 9/23/2025 2:30 PM   |
| 22 | I am not a member of PRPS, but was an exhibitor at the 2025 PRPS show. I go to a lot of these shows, both as an attendee and an exhibitor. Overall, traffic seemed very light and most attendees did not seem too eager to discuss with the exhibitors. I cannot remember if there  | 9/23/2025 2:23 PM   |

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were dedicated exhibit hall hours or if the hours overlapped with sessions, but dedicated hours, even if short, always seem more fruitful for vendors. Grand Slam Safety will likely not be exhibiting again in 2026. Please do not hesitate to contact me - Sam L - sam@grandslamsafety.com - with any questions, concerns, or follow up. Thank you & take care!!

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| 23 | Remove me from your list Tracy A Gold  | 9/23/2025 2:07 PM  |
| 24 | I am 9 months in this roll. Could you tell me what my membership covers and any other information. I get emails forward to me from the gentlemen who retired from this position last year.   | 9/23/2025 2:00 PM  |
| 25 | I'm not a good representation because I used to do a lot more of many of these things. I'm retired and don't do so much.   | 9/23/2025 1:36 PM  |
| 26 | Would like training opportunities in or around the Philadelphia area in order to attend.   | 9/23/2025 1:32 PM  |
| 27 | PRPS has met my needs well. I am a little concerned that we continue to strive to meet the needs of younger professionals in a manner that best serves them. Hope this survey helps!   | 9/23/2025 1:32 PM  |
| 28 | I think you are doing a good job. I encourage all of our clients to become a member and take advantage of the resources. I do think more opportunities could occur on this side of the state.  | 9/23/2025 1:19 PM  |
| 29 | See above. Thanks  | 9/23/2025 1:10 PM  |
| 30 | Need more CEUs and less learning network and Maint Insitute. Keep it simple.   | 9/23/2025 12:05 PM |
| 31 | downloadable resources like: sample staff evaluations, 30-60-90 day reviews, parent forms/waivers, etc.  | 9/23/2025 11:59 AM |
| 32 | Be available for help with dealing with elected officials.   | 9/23/2025 11:54 AM |
| 33 | overall, more training opportunities in western part of state.   | 9/23/2025 11:49 AM |
| 34 | I feel that it is very important that the PTRI branch NOT promote sessions on how to practice recreational therapy without being a recreational therapist as they did this past spring. That not only leads to devaluing our field but misinforming the public about what recreational therapy is and why it is important to be properly qualified. In a current political environment where we've been hearing so much misinformation and specialization and education isn't valued, this is a huge disservice to our clients in TR/RT. It caused an outrage among all educators that I know in this field in the state of Pennsylvania. Professional organizations should be promoting best practices and protecting our professions, NOT placing us in a position of being replaced by unqualified individuals. | 9/23/2025 11:36 AM |
| 35 | My needs are all being met.  | 9/23/2025 11:20 AM |
| 36 | Continue to figure out how to build relationships among departments. I'm not sure what the looks like, but finding ways to help newer directors/program staff/etc. feel invited/included.  | 9/23/2025 10:58 AM |
| 37 | needs are met  | 9/23/2025 10:35 AM |
| 38 | It meets needs for what I know is available but I think that having a better knowledge of what is available could be helpful.  | 9/23/2025 10:31 AM |
| 39 | It is great!   | 9/23/2025 10:24 AM |
| 40 | When I google PRPS, the first site that usually comes up is a jeans company. Is there a way to get the organization at the top of the list?  | 9/23/2025 10:21 AM |
| 41 | Ask smaller surveys.. Just kidding! Help guide municipalities on best practices for all things Recreation Management. Thank you for asking for our input!  | 9/23/2025 10:17 AM |
| 42 | PRPS Team is doing an excellent job  | 9/23/2025 10:09 AM |
| 43 | Stay up to date with trends  | 9/23/2025 10:00 AM |
| 44 | Continue the Maintenance resources - been very helpful   | 9/23/2025 9:52 AM  |
| 45 | Bring back more education for Recreation Therapy. In person options  | 8/20/2025 5:36 PM  |
| 46 | There needs to be a better geographical distribution of events. Holding most workshops in the center of the state because they're close to state college is hardly fair to the other districts.  | 8/20/2025 3:42 PM  |

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| 47 | You already do a great job!   | 8/20/2025 2:51 PM  |
| 48 | Keep up the great work.       | 8/20/2025 1:59 PM  |
| 49 | Keep fighting the good fight! | 8/20/2025 12:35 PM |