

LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS & PARKS AND RECREATION

95%

personally use
their local park areas

99%

agree that **their communities**
benefit from local park areas

LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS SAY PARKS AND RECREATION IS A SOLUTION

TO SOME OF THE TOP ISSUES FACING THEIR COMMUNITIES
(INCLUDING PREVENTING YOUTH CRIME AND PROMOTING COMMUNITY QUALITY OF LIFE)

BUT ARE LESS LIKELY TO VIEW PARKS AND RECREATION AS A CONTRIBUTION TO THEIR #1 CONCERN: ATTRACTING & RETAINING BUSINESS

While 6 in 7 agree that parks and recreation

IS WELL WORTH THE TAX DOLLARS SPENT ON IT,
they indicate that parks and recreation is likely to be hit with the
largest cut in funding when the city/town/county suffers budgetary pressure

TOP PARKS AND RECREATION FUNDING PRIORITIES:

MAINTAINING EXISTING PARK AND RECREATION AREAS

PROVIDING RECREATION PROGRAMS

BUILDING CONNECTIVE PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLING PATHS