

Results: Quality of Life - Playing in Truckee

Survey Info - This survey was sent on behalf of Truckee Tomorrow to the FlashVote community for Truckee, CA.

These FlashVote results are shared with local officials

632

Participants
616 of 1427 initially invited (43%)
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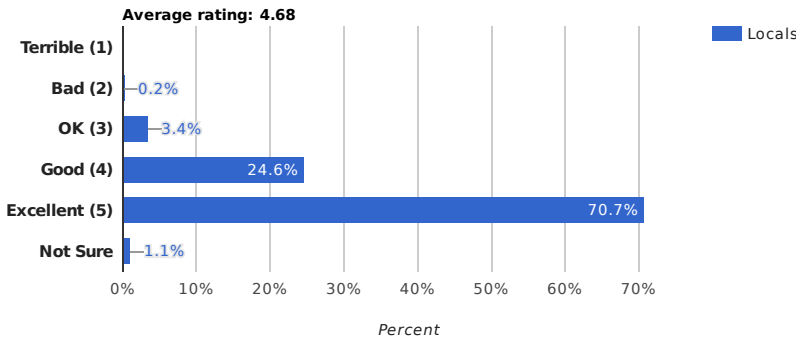
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All Truckee

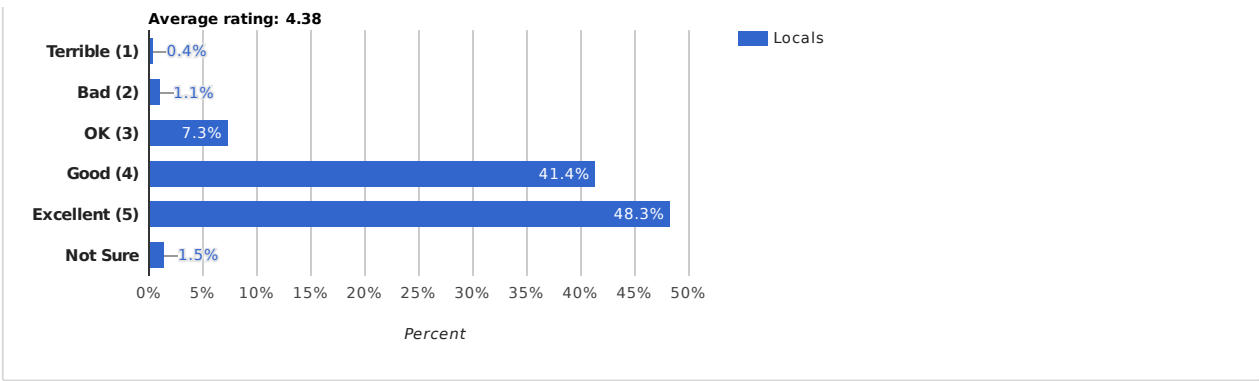
Q1 Please rate the *overall quality* of recreation and leisure options in Truckee?
(533 responses by locals)

Options	Locals (533)
Terrible (1)	0% (0)
Bad (2)	0.2% (1)
OK (3)	3.4% (18)
Good (4)	24.6% (131)
Excellent (5)	70.7% (377)
Not Sure	1.1% (6)



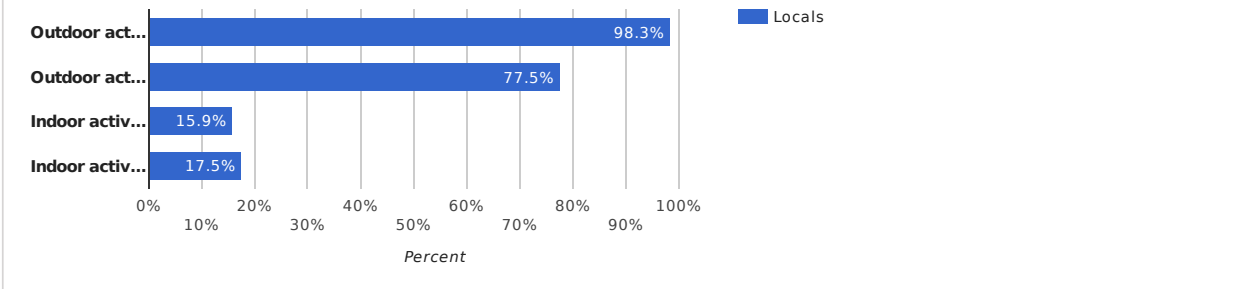
Q2 Please rate the *ease of access* to recreation and leisure options in Truckee?
(532 responses by locals)

Options	Locals (532)
Terrible (1)	0.4% (2)
Bad (2)	1.1% (6)
OK (3)	7.3% (39)
Good (4)	41.4% (220)
Excellent (5)	48.3% (257)
Not Sure	1.5% (8)



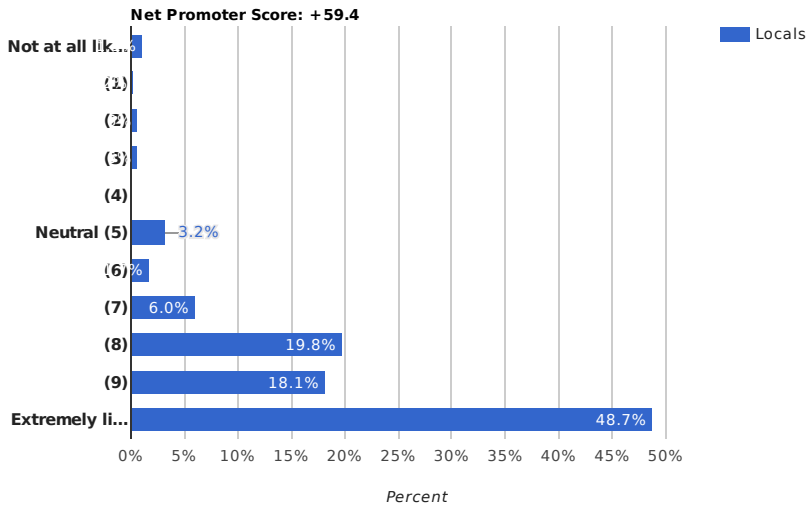
Q3 Which of the following, if any, do you think are a **STRENGTH** of Truckee? (Choose all that apply, if any)
(515 responses by locals)

Options	Locals (515)
Outdoor activities for adults	98.3% (506)
Outdoor activities for children	77.5% (399)
Indoor activities for adults	15.9% (82)
Indoor activities for children	17.5% (90)



Q4 How likely are you to recommend Truckee as a place for recreation and leisure, to a friend or colleague?
(530 responses by locals)

Options	Locals (530)
Not at all likely (0)	1.1% (6)
(1)	0.2% (1)
(2)	0.6% (3)
(3)	0.6% (3)
(4)	0% (0)
Neutral (5)	3.2% (17)
(6)	1.7% (9)
(7)	6.0% (32)
(8)	19.8% (105)
(9)	18.1% (96)
Extremely likely (10)	48.7% (258)



Q5 Any other comments or suggestions about recreation and leisure in Truckee, including anything you would change?
(179 responses by locals)

trail see traffic recreate active
like truckee indoor
great park town access

Unfiltered responses

Indoor missing movie theater, bowling.
I would like to have less traffic on weekends so I can try and enjoy the place I live
Would like a nice movie theatre
Transportation... we need public transportation options that run frequent enough, year round, to be useful. We should also make this public transportation free. It's not the cost necessarily that deters people but rather the uncertainty and hassle of how to pay. Let's just remove the obstacle.
Too many visitors or tourists coming to Truckee now, without trying to find more ways to entice more people to use our lakes , streams, or camp grounds, summer or winter.
Lower taxes.
It's perfect here
Need a place to play billiards
I would highly recommend a safe, social place for our tweens/teenagers to hang out. Not everyone is an athlete. Our kids need mentors in all aspects/professions. I do not understand why our "Recreation and Park District" building does not utilize it's space and create "hang-out" for kids afterschool and the Summer, where kids can come, feel safe, and learn projects, play games with each other, have a quiet place to chill/relax, yet the opportunity to build friendships with people and their peers. It's pretty crazy that this amazing building was constructed, yet everything is geared for 10-under. There is a HUGE population of children getting left behind, during their most vulnerable years! There is such a need in this town!
I love all that is offered. Wish I could take advantage more often of all the programs and opportunities.
Anything to alleviate the winter ski traffic.
Better transportation around the north lake area so fewer cars required
Access to regional open space is Truckee's biggest economic engine, even if that open space isn't within town limits. Local agencies and organizations should stay vigilant to keep track of projects that could impact nearby recreation spaces and take action to ensure that these recreation opportunities remain protected.
We need a bowling alley and then Truckee would be perfect!

It can be hard to enjoy trails and parks because of the large number of off-leash dogs. People's definitions of voice and visual control vary. Would like to have some parks and trails designated no dogs or dogs on leash only.

Parking for backcountry winter recreation access needs to be improved

We are new homeowners and are looking forward to exploring all that Truckee has to offer.

The outdoor activities are amazing. But not accessible to many people. The Town could do much more to create fun for people who are not mountain climbers

I would like to see more multi use single track developed, there is a large population of motorcyclists and MT bikers in the area and we could use more trails.

There is a lack of inside stuff to do in Truckee but for the most part I prefer to be outside so this doesn't bother me. It may however be an issue for other people.

Yes. The way that an earlier Q was worded. Please rate the strength: outdoor for adults, outdoor for children, indoor for adults., indoor for children. So by not clicking on the indoors - how do you interpret this? Is it that I don't think it is a strength or perhaps because I do not know or have an opinion there. First, I really don't look for many indoor activities in Truckee and second, I do not have any kids so really I do not know the answer to the indoor Qs! And if you interpre my answer as I think the indoor activities are weak, then you are interpreting me wrong. Q is worded poorly without much choice for the one taking the survey. thanks

Love the area but impacted. Too many people to be able to recommend any one to visit except spring and fall. Traffic is an issue. New development without good traffic impact study. Pollution caused by too many people ruining area.

ice rink

Movie theatre

Truckee just totally ROCKS in this regard! I live in Glenshire and the Legacy Trail is amazing for getting into downtown or over by the airport. Only thing I would love extra is to have this trail go all the way along river to Donner Lake

improved signage on trails that are on USFS land, not just at trailheads but within the trails as well.

Water access and trails are great. I really like the legacy trail and hope to see more bike friendly trails, racks, and roads. (winter access is a current issue and I really hope they don't close down any of the snowmobile access) Trail maps and signs are very weak in this area. When you travel to other recreation towns (ie: Sedona, Moab, Flagstaff, etc....), the town has great maps and signs at trailheads. Granted, some of the online apps are helping this out, but physical signage is weak.

I LOVE Truckee! Unfortunately, with the influx of people comes the overuse and crowding of many of the wonderful outdoor opportunities. There is no available parking at trail heads, beaches are packed, and the solitude of being in the wilderness is lost.

Dog park in Truckee!

public transportation is impossible and parking is inadequate

More indoor opportunities for kids that doesn't include sports such as arts, games, hang outs, museums, etc.

I see recreation and leisure as two very separate concepts. For sports and fitness, we have it nailed. The rec center handles indoor sports (swimming and basketball) well. But for leisure, we're sorely lacking. Think about what you might do on a rainy chilly day: movie theaters in Northstar, Tahoe City, and Reno are far to drive from my Tahoe Donner home, shopping is sub-mediocre and tourist-focused in Truckee, library hours are minimal, non high school spectator sports are non-existent, and if there's something going on that you want to see, you can bet that traffic will be terrible. But if you define leisure as going to a coffee shop, we have that nailed, too.

Recreation is not fun when there are angry crowds on the biking and hiking trails, on the lake, and angry people demanding you walk you dog someplace else because they're afraid of dogs...even when the dogs are on a leash.

Add public transit into the neighborhoods - Glenshire, Tahoe Donner, and Prosser

Missing a little bit of night life, ie bands, dancing, etc.

Expand trail head parking and make dog waste receptacles available every where.

We advertise for the out of doors. That's true and okay. However, we are short in providing indoor activities, whether it be dance, reading, board games, group activities, teen activities, discussion groups. We do alot with our bodies, could do more for our minds and one-to-one relationships.

More child friendly indoor activity options other than the Family Resource Center.

We need a true theatre for the arts. e.g . plays, concerts, specialty films, etc. The old Church Street theater is not adequate nor functional with its flat floor.

Truckee is growing too fast and the expansion of resorts, especially Squaw Valley will hurt the ability to do things in the area. Traffic has gotten horrific and the environment can not sustain the growth.

Recreation is what brings people up here to live or to visit! We could use more bike trails to make it safer for children.

Most recreation that I do is indoors. There is indoor rock climbing and an pool in the community center. The only other things that would be interesting would be bowling, indoor shooting range.

There are lots of outdoor activities year-round but not so many indoor. A movie theater could be a nice addition to town, and I'd also be very excited about something like a bowling alley / restaurant (like Mission Bowling Club in SF) or indoor mini-golf (like Urban Putt in SF)

The main improvement would be indoor winter activities like Basketball. Most of the time, the kids lack anywhere to go indoors to play, as the recreation center is rarely available.

I would use the powers of local government to develop more Truckee River Access bringing riverside lodging, dining and shopping availability.
There should be more Senior oriented activities. There should be a storefront to buy legal marijuana in a commercial zone, we have too many bars.
Truckee Love
Truckee is just great, please do not over crowd it by too many new developments.
It would be great to have shuttle service from Tahoe Donner to downtown Truckee.
Road infrastructure, especially Rte 89, need to be upgraded to handle volume.
I would severely limit Short Term Rentals, as they bring additional users to our recreational venues who definitely do not have the high standard of care that the locals do.
More opportunities for those of us who have limited mobility, special needs, or special restrictions. We end up sitting and watching a lot
This survey is a two edged sword. Yes, the recreation possibilities are excellent, but too much publicity and exposure brings overuse and crowding.
More bike trails (away from cars) to Lake Tahoe,.
Hard to enjoy recreational opportunities in summer due to overcrowding.
Truckee is getting too expensive to give it a higher rating. It is also very crowded on holiday periods. Reduce the number of STR's
Too crowded. We have outgrown the infrastructure.
There should be recreational cannabis dispensaries available to residents and tourists
Movie theater and ice rink would be great!
Need more consistent snow in the winter.
Access it's so crowded now. So much traffic!
more public transportation to/from our housing subdivisions, so as to eliminate parking problems at outdoor/indoor activities.
Better interconnection of our trail systems and public transit would be great.
Would love to see indoor climbing wall, indoor bounce (like Woodward, but closer & cheaper), indoor pump track, indoor wave pool. More options for indoor activities. Something affordable for locals.
Great hiking, biking, paddleboarding, kayaking and skiing readily available
Outdoor recreation is great in Truckee. We could use more cultural activities like art and music. Arts For The Schools helps, and the various concerts during the spring, summer and fall seasons are nice. The Atelier downtown has added a lot in terms of visual art classes, but we need more.
I'd prefer to not recommend it to anyone because it's already too crowded...
Improved website with outdoor activities, including links to appropriate sites. Improved road signage directing to sites, including bike trails. Continued investment in bike and hiking trails. Better website with event information for Truckee and surrounding area including North Lake Tahoe.
Truckee should have more adult events like themed dinners/dances. (Balls). Dinners and auctions. All being to support some form of fundraising for different special groups. Even more fundraising bingo. Plus gets local adults out together.
Get's too crowded. No longer an "escape", just a battle with a different crowd.
Pave road from Hobart Mills to Stampede boat ramp.
Bike paths are great! Use them 5-10 times a year
Public transportation around the area and to community events is a big plus, for instance the shuttle service for Truckee Thursdays!
Truckee needs a real ice rink so much. Mountain towns like Vail, Aspen, Breckenridge, South Lake, Eagle, Co and others have thriving programs w/ learn to play for kids and great adult programs. It is the one major thing Truckee is missing (besides Trader Joe's of course).
Need a better sledding hill!
Despite of, or maybe because of, all the outdoor sports going, there is never enough field space between soccer, baseball and lacrosse. There is also a shortage of indoor sports space. We bump into having no open gym for basketball or later season soccer. The first come first serve system is probably the fairest but I take my kids in the morning before school and the adult pickleball players have monopolized the gym and we have driven from Glenshire to the rec center for nothing. So, more outdoor and indoor sports space would be well utilized.
Need more evening adult options that do not center around alcohol.
I own property in Tahoe Donner and therefore pay taxes in Truckee. So why am I not allowed to access all Truckee facilities?
With HAF building a climbing wall I think we're all set. Transportation to all the rec is the issue. Need more public transportation to the areas of Truckee that residents actually live - Glenshire, Prosser, Sierra Meadows.
Clean up west river street and more restaurants to compete with Moody's, Pianeta's and Hilltop.

What is the purpose of this? Truckee survives on a combination of recreational and local business. It is imperative to our survival and lifestyle to have the recreational businesses and availability...That was true a century ago, too. Why is this a question?

It's why we moved here many years ago. It's exciting to see the new opportunities but they have to be balanced with maintaining the open space and small community environment.

More beach access for dogs

It would be great to have more socially oriented events for middle schoolers in Truckee. There are plenty of outdoor activities, and they are awesome, but it would be nice to also have a greater selection of noncompetitive, non-extreme, easy-going activities for kids that age.

Keep up the anti litter measures and dog doo bags on trails. Post more signs that make it absolutely clear when dogs must be on a leash. This is a friendly town-until you end up exchanging heated words with people who attack YOU when THEIR dog is not under control. Thanks to Town Of Truckee Public Works!

I'd get rid of the huge (athletic) events that take away from locals quality of life that make money for out of town event producers (Sagan Fondo, runs, bike races in downtown, extreme running events, etc.). These don't help locals at all.

Getting really crowded. Quality of life will diminish with continued growth. Roads, services, safety, etc., can't meet the needs of yet more people.

Easier public transportation to recreation areas including buses into the neighborhoods

I consider recreation as outdoor recreation. If you were asking about options for indoor entertainment, such as movie theaters, bowling, indoor sports arena's, I would score Truckee as very low on the spectrum. We have little or no options for indoor activities. We need to work on that as a community.

We need a movie theater

We are too crowded already let them stay home!

I saw a recent article that was how to have a perfect weekend around Truckee, and I thought it completely was wrong- highlighting indoor activities like the Discovery Zone and the pool at theRec Center. People should come here for the outdoor things hiking, biking, Lake time. They can do things indoors anywhere. I felt bad that a person might follow the weekend plans promoted in that article- because those things are not what I feel makes Truckee Tahoe a world destination. They are ok, but not what I'd tell tourists to do with their visit here.

It would definitely be nice to have more indoor recreational activities available in town, especially for youth.

Truckee is good for EVERYONE! Even if someone wanted to just sit under a tree and read it is so peaceful here!

Better trail network

I would like the Recreation Center to lower its prices. I think it's too expensive for the locals.

The traffic is horrendous when people come here for either Summer or Winter activities. There has to be a better way to deal with these visitors. I have come across traffic in the winter time where people are on both sides of 267 and in the middle chaining up. What normally should take 20-25 minutes to Kings Beach took almost 2 hours to get there. Another time, on New year's Eve, it took me 2 hours to go 5 miles. That's sick!!!

Indoor activities for adults, particularly during the winter. Alcohol and food tend to be the primary options. Better advertising of movies would be a great start. Appreciate the intent of the event banner by Safeway on Donner Pass Road, but usually really hard to read. Make more appropriate font for drivers.

Public transportation with bus lanes to access the ski resorts.

Access is good, but could be greatly improved through better parking, signage, trail heads, etc

Need more motorized Single Track trails and also need to keep current open areas for winter OSV use

You guys really need to work on the substance of your questions. I don't think you're going to learn anything from what you asked in this survey.

Our main problem is getting to and from rec. areas. On week-ends, especially in the winter, our traffic situation can be totally out of control.

...actually I'd like to see less short-term rentals or Air B&B...

Don't destroy open space

I prefer the summer activities (hiking, backpacking, 4-wheel driving) over the winter activities (skiing, snowshoeing).

Traffic congestion and lack of free parking.

More public investment in mountain bike trails

No more building recreation abounds.

outdoor activities are great. we could use some indoor options though. for movie theatres, major live entertainment, pro sports, etc. you have to travel. I understand Truckee may be too small for these options but they are lacking regardless.

More public transportation options. Some kind of way to know where crowds are to avoid them.

Your questions are all "softball" questions.

We could use a theater

This may already exist on Truckee/Tahoe websites and materials, but perhaps a bundling of activities and restaurants/merchants through recommended itineraries. I'm thinking something like you sometimes see in the newspaper -- 48 hours in _____ city. Things you might want to

do including an hour by hour itinerary.
Indoor tennis courts
Keep improving the bike trail connections - both within Truckee and between Truckee and surrounding communities like TC and KB - to make Truckee the most awesome bikeable community.
easily available good hiking maps with how to get to trail head parking would be great!
There is a lot more to love about Truckee than the recreational activities beauty, restaurants, activities, close to university pace of life
Truckee is doing a great job
N/A
time to get away from the city and relax -
Truckee should have an indoor ice skating rink/arena.
Truckee is amazing. I would improve Interconnectivity and signage of bike/hiking trails, better access to the river, more pedestrian bridges over the river, better public transportation so that we don't always need to drive to get to our favorite spots.
Town no longer has that small, cozy town feeling. It is becoming a tourist town ruined by millionaires and billionaires.
More indoor winter activities would be good. Things like a movie theater would be good too.
heavy traffic impacts ease of access to activities. Need to improve public transport.
I love Truckee recreation! All the outdoor activities like biking, hiking, trail running, swimming, paddle boarding, etc. are the BEST. But also, the opportunity for Rec Sports like Broomball, Soccer, Futsal, Softball, etc. are AMAZING for those folks who used to be competitive athletes!
Recreation is the reason I chose this area to retire. It offers world class winter and summer sport activities as well as a community that supports them.
As Truckee becomes more and more popular and is already very bike friendly, the city should provide a safe, guarded place for folks to leave bikes near its businesses so \$10K bikes aren't constantly gone missing.
We have enough people - too many in fact - and don't want to encourage more to come to Truckee. It has become unpleasant
create a dog park
Make more information available about Truckee recreation and leisure
we need better transportation options, too much traffic to get to and from places in the high seasons
Would like less dogs off leash on bike trails!
REC center like in Breckenridge Colorado
We need a movie theatre in Truckee.
transportation from/to residential communities
I will be 87 in a short time and do not partake in many outdoor activities with groups. Tahoe Donner offers much more than I am interested in now. When we bought in 1971, the area was perfect for my golfer husband, and my teenage girls loved to swim in Donner Lake and in the pools of TD as well as visiting Reno and all spots in the area. Still love it and spend each summer here. Hate to see the increase in tourists, but they do pay for increased facilities and shopping.
I can't think of any place that has better recreational and leisure facilities than Truckee. The rec department has done a superb job of supplementing world-class ski areas, golf courses, private and semi-private facilities, and the natural lakes and mountains. If you can't find it in Truckee, it's probably illegal.
Would be nice to have a movie theater in Truckee
Kids (tweens) need more options for indoor activity. It would be great if we had a bowling alley with pool tables games etc.
1) More indoor activities for rainy days would be nice, 2) more kid friendly options, 3) more waterbased options with easy parking i.e. Donner Lake is super crowded 4) More passing lanes on the way up (or ban tractor trailers from the left lane)
More backcountry access parking during the winter created by Caltrans, the counties and the town.
It would be nice to have a few more indoor options- bowling alley comes to mind! I had visitors last week when it was raining and we had to adjust our plans. While fun was still had, it would have been nice to have another option besides shopping or a bar
There are ample outdoor activities except for more safe road biking routes but Truckee is lacking indoor educational or entertainment venues.
The serene feeling of hiking on trails is greatly obstructed by wild animals that are not being controlled by their handlers. How about leash laws? Also, who is supposed to pick up their poop bags? Isn't that considered littering?
We could use more indoor options for young people
I don't want to recommend Truckee to everyone as we are already too busy!!!
The only problem is finding enough time to recreate with trying to work to live here.

Stop building and and let those that have homes here and live here full time enjoy it. More building, more traffic, equals less time recreating. Don't make it like the Bay Area. On holiday weekends its the Bay Area all over again.

Truckee Love!

In 24 years living here (2nd home) we have never run out of things to do. Now that we have a grand son, it will be even more fun.

We are growing at such a pace lately that our opportunities are being heavily impacted. Our trails are being reshaped by traffic and people making common trails, parking has become more and more of a problem, and we have expanded use all across the board which is great. We have more trails than ever now and we have begun to dump down the mountain experience and sanitize the experience for people. That is great if you are trying to lure more people from major suburban capitols in the US but bad for people who like it a little rustic and low key. Hard to please them all.

It's become difficult to have an authentic Sierra experience as it once was - so many people everywhere - there is no chance for a secluded experience - it saddens me....

No places to go dancing any more.

I would like to see more recreational activities for seniors in Truckee, including fee waivers for low income seniors.

Truckee is great for the young and able-bodied, always was - and those options have only increased substantially. However, little or minimal attention, offerings are available for those with disabilities and seniors. Some improvement in the 30 years I've lived here but still the opportunities that are available are either very exclusive and/or very expensive; thus out of reach of the disabled and senior locals I know.

More access for individual, non commercial, outdoor options.

Adding the partially enclosed ice rink will add a beneficial outdoor winter activity for for adults and children.

More indoor activities for adults, besides good and drinks.

The charges for guests should be reduced if not eliminated.

Like everywhere else, better access and parking to spread out users from The spaces that have better parking and access

Truckee has done an amazing job of creating individual adult, family, and child friendly recreation options. The sports fields, the trails, the music spaces, pump track, pools, skate parks, the list goes on...

Have the DF&W plant more of the local lakes so there would be a good starter fishery for children.

I'm not well-connected to the town's organized parks & rec offerings

R&L is a broad category. Many people here associate this with outdoor sports, however, watching golf on tv and drinking cocktails also qualifies. I think that questions need to be geared more specifically to audience segments.

We need some indoor activities too! Bowling, movie theater with more times, etc

No bowling alley? No indoor ice rink? There needs to be more for adults to do at night that doesn't necessarily involve alcohol but is still very social

Impossible to respond appropriately to this survey, as recreation and leisure are two distinct categories and cannot be grouped together for an accurate answer.

Indoor recreation opportunities in Truckee are lacking for both adults and children. I think our community could benefit from activities such as bowling, indoor roller skating, movie theaters, indoor bocce ball courts, arcades...

Nope

traffic during storms is terrible

A year round indoor ice arena for figure skating, hockey and curling!

The hardest part about recreation in Truckee is the parking, especially for the fantastic downtown events like Truckee Thursdays, etc.

Increased bike paths and a rock climbing gym

Truckee is desperately in need of an indoor field sports arena to accommodate all the spring youth sports, potential for growth for other recreation offerings year-round.

truckee is getting so crowded, last week I had dinner in town and it was packed, prior to the summer rush. traffic during summer rush is unbelievable, so mush so we have talked about getting out of town on July 4th this year and I love the parade...which indicates how bad it is. Love the close access to activities, but the little town has grown up without understanding how to manage the impact of the last 10 years growth spurt

Love the activities - only real issue is how crowded even the more remote outdoor spaces get anymore.