

Parks, Environment, and Social Capital Task Force Baldwin Township HCP Team

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Goal Statement

To build a sense of community and unique Baldwin identity through community events, recreational activities, development of community resources, and supporting activities that promote community and environmental health.

Objective #1 –

Support, encourage, and help implement improvements at Young Park

Objective #2 –

Develop calendar of community events to promote use of community resources, especially township parks and trails with emphasis on Young Park

Objective #3 –

Identify community meeting places available for citizens to use as formal or informal meeting places and make available to Baldwin residents

Accomplishments

1. Met with Park Committee to coordinate work to develop Young Park; for example, installing trail signs.
2. Sponsored team and community hikes on Saturdays during the fall.
3. Applied for and received Sherburne County SHIP (Statewide Health Improvement Program) grant for \$3,040 to be used to promote use of trails and other recreational amenities at Young Park.
4. Planned, promoted, and hosted December 19 Winter Solstice Celebration at the park, complete with luminaries, X-C skiing, snowshoeing, hiking, bonfire, and refreshments. Approximately 75 people attended.
5. Participated in park clean-up day on Saturday, April 16.
6. Are planning and preparing to host a May in the Park event on Sunday, May 15.
7. Are helping to finalize plans for Young Park trails and facilities.
8. Have begun to identify facilities appropriate for use by community groups for meetings.