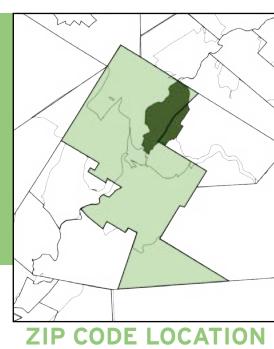


- Chic Feldman Field
- **Grace Street Park**
- Sturgis (Pretzel Park)
- Woodlawn Islands





XISTING CONDITIONS

Address: 1319-1341 CAPOUSE AVENUE

Neighborhood: PINE BROOK

Size: 0.95 ACRES

Low-Mod Income Area: YES

Classification: NEIGHBORHOOOD PARK



The Penn Ridge Pool Complex (Capouse Pool) is located in the Pine Brook and near lower Green Ridge. The pool complex has been closed for several years, but the park currently contains a large pool, pool house, and parking lot. The pool complex is in disrepair, but the pool is still structurally intact. With support from the surrounding community and officials from the City, a direction must be taken whether to renovate and reopen the pool, or transform it into a different use.







### **NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

Because of the lack of direction of the park, no needs can be directly assessed. With the assumption of a total renovation, the park would need new features and infrastructure. Adding new play equipment, a new shelter, and even a small splash pad would totally recreate the park into a new city park. If the park were to remain a pool complex, the pool would need to be renovated and updated, the pool building would need to be assessed for its future use, and the pool infrastructure would need to be fixed and updated to properly function.

### PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

- •Coordinate with United Neighborhood Centers to catalyze design opportunities for the former Penn Ridge Pool Complex
- •Provide an off-street parking lot to accommodate parking volume for a new park
- •Install new streetscaping and sidewalks for better curb appeal for the park
- •Install a new playground area
- •Install a new shelter
- •Install a small splashpad in the back corner of the park to maintain water-based play in this park, while still allowing the majority of the park to be used year-round
- Install new walkways connecting proposed features, which will add access and circulation to the park
- •Provide a new open lawn space for flexible play opportunities and various community events

### SITE PHOTOS







### **SPLASH PAD IN USE**



### PLAY EQUIPMENT (EXAMPLES)





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### FELDMAN

XISTING CONDITIONS

Address: 400 W. LOCUST STREET

Neighborhood: PINE BROOK

Size: 4.30 ACRES

Low-Mod Income Area: YES

Classification: COMMUNITY PARK



Chic Feldman Field is a recreation are that is comprised of a baseball field, a basketball court, and a large parking lot. The existing playground is in disrepair, with poor access and no safety surface. Because of safety concerns, the playground within the park has been closed.

The park is adjacent to Sweeney's Beach, which is a natural area along the Lackawanna River, operated by the Lackawanna River Conservation Association. The park also contains a practice football field that is used by the Lackawanna College Football Team.







### **NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

The site needs a full renovation; however, long-term goals must first be determined. Specifically, will private interests and partnerships come to fruition? How can this site best serve the neighborhood revitalization goals? A new play structure is needed, however, is this the best location for this type of facility in Pine Brook? Should efforts and money for play equipment be used at Sweeney's Beach or Penn Ridge?

### **SITE PHOTOS**









### PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

- •Eliminate playground safety hazards within the park
- •Generate a masterplan with input from the City of Scranton, United Neighborhood Centers, the Lackawanna River Conservation Association, and potential private and non-profit partners to create a cohesive and useful space with a pedestrian bridge that joins Chic Feldman, Pine Brook, and Sweeney's Beach on the east bank to the fields and businesses on the west bank.

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EXISTING CONDITIONS

Address: 1199 HIGHNETT PLACE

Neighborhood: GREEN RIDGE

Size: 18.24 ACRES

Low-Mod Income Area: NO

Classification: COMMUNITY PARK



Crowley Park is a recently renovated park in the Green Ridge neighborhood near Marywood University. The park was renovated in 2018, with the construction of a new parking lot, new play equipment, a new shelter, basketball, and wellness loop. A labyrinth was constructed, a memorial was installed, new rain gardens were constructed, and a children's amphibian discovery area was designed. The park is heavily used for its basketball Court and wellness loop.









### **NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

Because of its recent completion, the park does not have any major needs. However, there several issues or improvements that should be made to greater increase the aesthetics and the usability of the park. There is a problem with invasive vegetation, so the proper removal and mitigation of it would allow native species to grow. The amphibian discovery area should be expanded for better interactions with children. A trail connecting the park to the lower Green Ridge Little League complex would add usability and create connectivity between the two facilities. New green infrastructure should be added to the existing features to better define the park edges and provide better stormwater management. General programming and community events would also bring community members to the park. These events could be run through the City, Marywood students, and The Friends of Crowley Park group.

### **SITE PHOTOS**











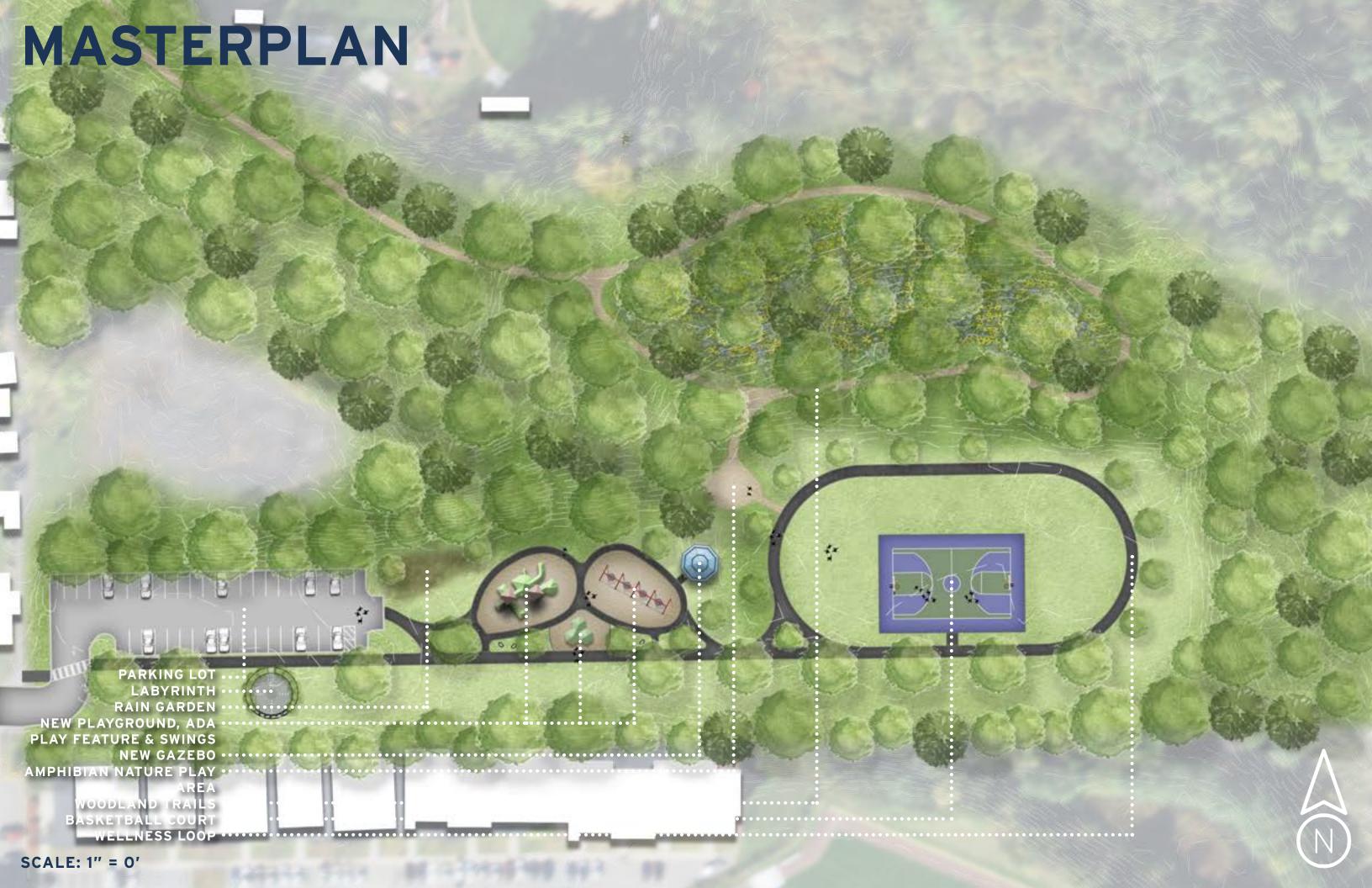
### PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

- •Regrade slope below the park to remove invasive Japanese Knotweed along the parking lot fence
- •Coordinate with interested community groups, such as Marywood University and The Friends of Crowley Park, to design a small sculpture garden around the existing labyrinth
- Design a new "amphibian alley" adjacent to the basketball court for nature-based play opportunities in the park
- •Install new woodland trails in the wooded area between the park and Green Ridge Little League complex downslope to provide better connectivity and nature-based recreation opportunities
- •Consider the addition of an additional basketball court due to the active use of the existing court in the park

### **AMPHIBIAN NATURAL PLAY AREA**



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XISTING CONDITIONS

Address: 421 GRACE STREET

Neighborhood: PLOT SECTION

Size: 0.35 ACRES

Low-Mod Income Area: NO

Classification: NEIGHBORHOOOD PARK



Grace Street Park is a small neighborhood park in the Plot section of Scranton. The park is nearing the end of its lifespan, as much of the equipment and features in the park are deteriorating. The park contains a small playground, swing set, half basketball court, and small lawn areas. The flow and circulation of the park is awkward and does not function well for the size and shape of the space.









### **NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

Because of its age and current condition, the park needs a total redesign to better function as a city park. The play equipment does not meet current standards and should be removed and relocated. A new walkway should be constructed to a central plaza space with a gazebo, picnic tables, and benches. The playground and swings should be located in the North section of the park, with the bottom half of the park being converted to open lawn. The two points of access on Grace Street and Finn Street should remain as the main access points. New sidewalks and walkways would help to bring the park into ADA compliance, and provide better circulation and separation of space within the park.

### SITE PHOTOS









### PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

- •Relocate and install new playground and swing set features in the location of the current swing set and basketball court
- •Install a new shelter in the adjacent to the location of the existing basketball court
- •Incorporate a central patio space between the proposed shelter and playground
- •Transform the location of the current playground into a new open lawn space for flexible play opportunities

### PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT (EXAMPLES)



SHADE STRUCTURE



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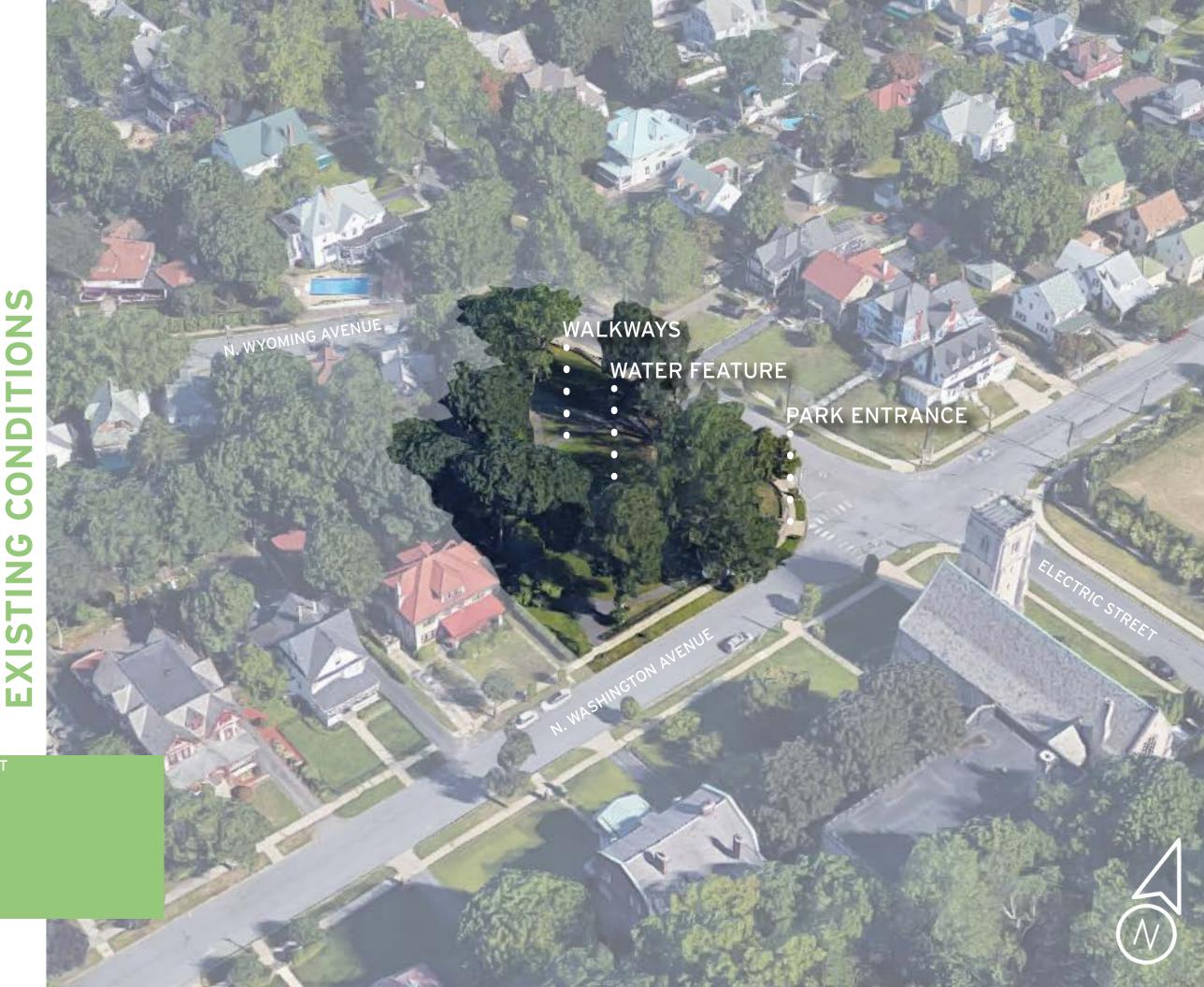
Address: 1100-1198 ELECTRIC STREET

Neighborhood: GREEN RIDGE

Size: 0.59 ACRES

Low-Mod Income Area: NO

Classification: POCKET PARK



Sturgis Park is a park within the Green Ridge neighborhood. It is use primarily is passive open space with some walking paths and seating throughout the park. The park contains large mature trees and mature landscaping, creating a more formal environment within the park. The park is enclosed with fencing with access points on North Washington Avenue and North Wyoming Avenue.









### **NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

The park does not have any immediate needs. However, with community partnerships and programming, the park would benefit from new landscape beds or planting urns to add curb appeal to the park throughout the seasons. The existing asphalt walkways will need to be resurfaced in the coming years, so it is recommended that the new walkways be concrete or stamped asphalt to create a more formal walkway. These improvements would add to the formality of the park and the overall character of the Green Ridge neighborhood.

### SITE PHOTOS





### PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

- •Reinvigorate existing asphalt walkways with new asphalt stamping to enhance the character of the park and surrounding neighborhood
- •Provide more benches and seating to promote passive recreation within the park
- Verify any areas of the park, primarily walkways, that need to be renovated to accommodate ADA compliance and accessibility
- •Install newer period lighting to enhance the character of the park and add safety



Address: 400 W. LOCUST STREET

Neighborhood: GREEN RIDGE

Size: 0.15 ACRES

Low-Mod Income Area: NO

Classification: OPEN SPACE



Sunset Islands is a small park within the Green Ridge neighborhood in Scranton. The park is not typically used by residents, as it acts as landscaping at the convergence of several streets in the neighborhood. The park contains mature trees and some overgrown landscaping.









### **NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

Because of the age of the trees, structural tree trimming is needed to preserve the health of the trees. New curbs would also help to define the space and decrease maintenance within the park. New landscaping would add to the curb appeal, and adding a small rain garden would also help with stormwater management.

### SITE PHOTOS







### PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

- •Install new green infrastructure facilities to capture stormwater runoff
- •Install new curbs around the islands to better frame the space and provide easier maintenance
- •Install new shrubs and perennials for better curb appeal and practice continued selective tree trimming to manage the existing mature trees in the park



KISTING CONDITIONS

Address: 400 W. LOCUST STREET

Neighborhood: GREEN RIDGE

Size: 1.81 ACRES

Low-Mod Income Area: NO

Classification: OPEN SPACE



Woodlawn Islands is a long linear park within the Green Ridge Neighborhood. The park is lined with mature trees, and isued primarily as passive lawn space where local residents use the park for dog walking and jogging. The cadence of trees provides shade along the street and asserts the park in the middle of both one-way roads along its edges.









### **NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

Because of the maturity of the trees within the park, structural tree trimming is necessary to preserve the health of the trees. The park sits along a hill, so extensive runoff is created along the streets. New stormwater rain gardens or step pools would allow for better infiltration, instead of the runoff pooling on Boulevard Avenue where sediments and debris currently gathers. New catch basins and curbs would also help with excessive stormwater runoff and help to better define the park space and direct water.

### **SITE PHOTOS**









### PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

- •Install new green infrastructure facilities to capture stormwater runoff from Woodlawn Street to reduce ponding and sedimentation on Boulevard Avenue
- •Install more stormwater catch basins along Woodlawn Street to capture influxes of increased stormwater runoff
- •Install new shrubs and perennials for better curb appeal and practice continued selective tree trimming to manage the existing mature trees in the park

