

Observation Checklist for Jackie Robinson Park

Date: _____

Observer Name: _____

1. Existing Conditions and Infrastructure

- **Pathways Condition:**
 - Excellent (smooth, clear)
 - Good (minor wear, no obstructions)
 - Poor (cracked, uneven, obstructed)

 - **Lighting:**
 - Bright and sufficient
 - Dim but functional
 - Insufficient or broken

 - **Electrical Outlets:**
 - Are outlets present? Yes No
 - If yes, are they functional? Yes No

 - **Blue Light Emergency Poles:**
 - Present and functional
 - Present but non-functional
 - Not present
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2. Amenities and Food Trucks

- **Seating Availability:**
 - Plenty of seating in good condition
 - Some seating, but limited or worn
 - Insufficient seating

- **Food Truck Spaces:**
 - Clearly designated and equipped
 - Informally used
 - Not available

- What additional amenities would improve the park?

3. Accessibility and Wayfinding

- Are pathways and entrances ADA-compliant? Yes No
- Are ramps available where needed? Yes No
- Are signs clear and easy to follow? Yes No
- **Wayfinding:**
 - Are directional signs present? Yes No
 - Are maps or park layouts provided? Yes No

4. Safety and Security

- **Surveillance Presence:**
 - Cameras visible and operational
 - Limited or unclear coverage
 - No visible cameras
- **Sight Lines:**
 - Open and unobstructed
 - Partially blocked
 - Poor visibility
- Are there areas where you feel unsafe? If yes, describe:

5. Sound and Noise Levels

- **Noise Levels in Different Areas:**
 - Quiet and peaceful
 - Moderate background noise
 - Loud and disruptive
- Identify major noise sources:

6. Use and User Groups

- Who is using the park during your visit? (Check all that apply)
 - Families
 - Children
 - Joggers
 - Elderly
 - Groups hosting events
 - Displaced individuals or encampments
 - Others: _____
- Evidence of alcohol or drug use:
 - Yes
 - No

7. Art and Historical Features

- **Art Installations:**
 - Are there sculptures, murals, or other public art? Yes No
 - If yes, describe:
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- **Historical Plaques:**
 - Count of plaques: _____
 - Are they well-maintained? Yes No
 - Note layout/placement (e.g., clustered, scattered, or linear):

8. Green Space and Environment

- **Condition of Grass and Landscaped Areas:**
 - Well-maintained and lush
 - Some areas need care
 - Poor condition or overgrown

- **Inventory of Trees and Plants:**
 - Mature trees: _____
 - Note any damaged or dead vegetation:

- **Wildlife:**
 - Are there noticeable animal species? Yes No
 - Are they managed (e.g., no overpopulation of pests)? Yes No

- **Trash Management:**
 - Availability of trash cans and recycling bins:
 - Sufficient
 - Limited
 - Insufficient
 - Evidence of litter or debris:
 - Minimal
 - Moderate
 - Excessive

9. Traffic, Mobility, and Transportation

- **Parking Availability:**
 - Sufficient and easy to access
 - Limited but manageable
 - Insufficient or difficult to find

- Are bike racks or storage areas available? Yes No

- Proximity to public transportation:
 - Very close (within walking distance)
 - Moderate distance (5-10 minutes)
 - Far or not accessible

10. Measurements

- **Pathway Widths:** _____ feet
- **Fence Heights:** _____ feet
- **Other Notable Measurements:** _____

11. Opportunities for Improvement

Enhancements to Infrastructure

- Are there areas where pathways could be widened, repaved, or reconfigured for better traffic flow?

- Are there any locations where additional lighting could improve visibility or safety?

- Could the addition of electrical outlets or blue light emergency poles enhance usability and security?

Improved Amenities

- What new seating, picnic tables, or shaded areas could be added to improve comfort for visitors?

- Are there opportunities to designate or improve spaces for food trucks or vendors?

Environmental Enhancements

- Are there areas where trees, grass, or planting beds could be added or improved to enhance shade or aesthetic appeal?

- Could the addition of pollinator-friendly plants, rain gardens, or native landscaping support environmental sustainability?

- Are there opportunities to address damaged or dead vegetation with replacements or new plantings?

Art and Historical Features

- Could new art installations, sculptures, or murals enhance the park's character and appeal?

- Are there opportunities to add or reposition historical plaques to improve visibility or accessibility?

User Experience Improvements

- What new activities or programs could be introduced to attract more diverse users?
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- Are there specific spaces that could be repurposed or better utilized for events or recreational activities?
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Wayfinding and Signage

- Are there areas where additional signs or maps could help visitors navigate the park more easily?
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- Could digital wayfinding or interactive kiosks enhance the visitor experience?
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Safety and Security Enhancements

- Are there locations where improved sight lines could reduce safety concerns?
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- Are there any isolated or poorly lit areas where additional safety measures (e.g., emergency poles, cameras) should be considered?
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Mobility and Accessibility Improvements

- Are there areas where pathways could be made more accessible for individuals with disabilities?
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- Could bike racks or transportation hubs be added or improved to better support mobility?
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Community Engagement Opportunities

- Are there specific locations where local businesses or community organizations could partner to offer services, events, or activities?
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- Could designated community spaces or bulletin boards enhance connections between users and local groups?
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Environmental Sustainability Initiatives

- Could additional recycling bins or composting stations improve trash management and reduce waste?
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- Are there areas where renewable energy sources (e.g., solar-powered lights) could be incorporated?
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Attachments

Sketches or diagrams below: