

Increasing IDD Accessibility and Community Engagement through Cincinnati Parks



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PARKS!!



Social Determinant: Social and Community Context



**Community
Engagement**



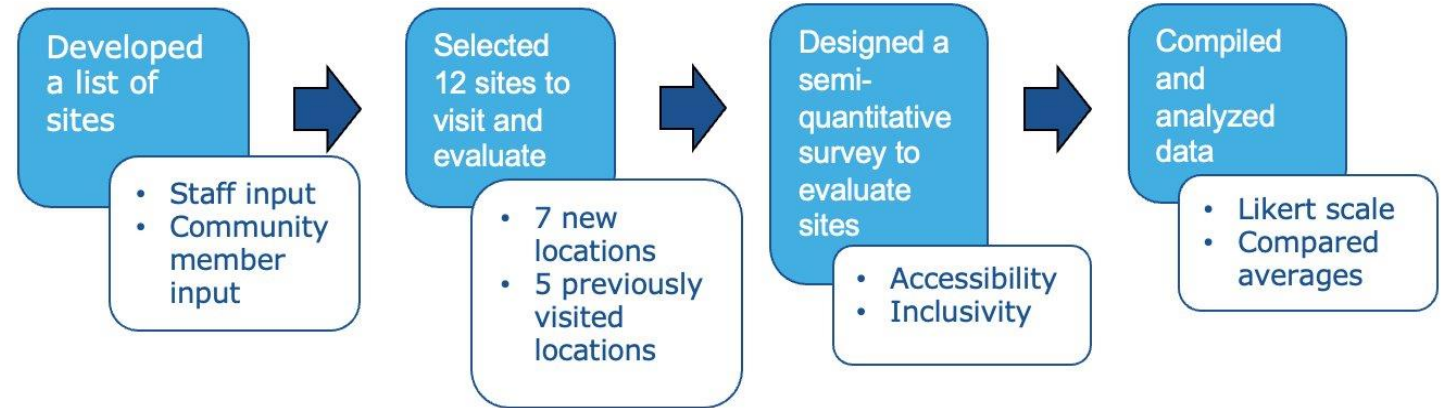
**Relationship
Building**

Accessibility

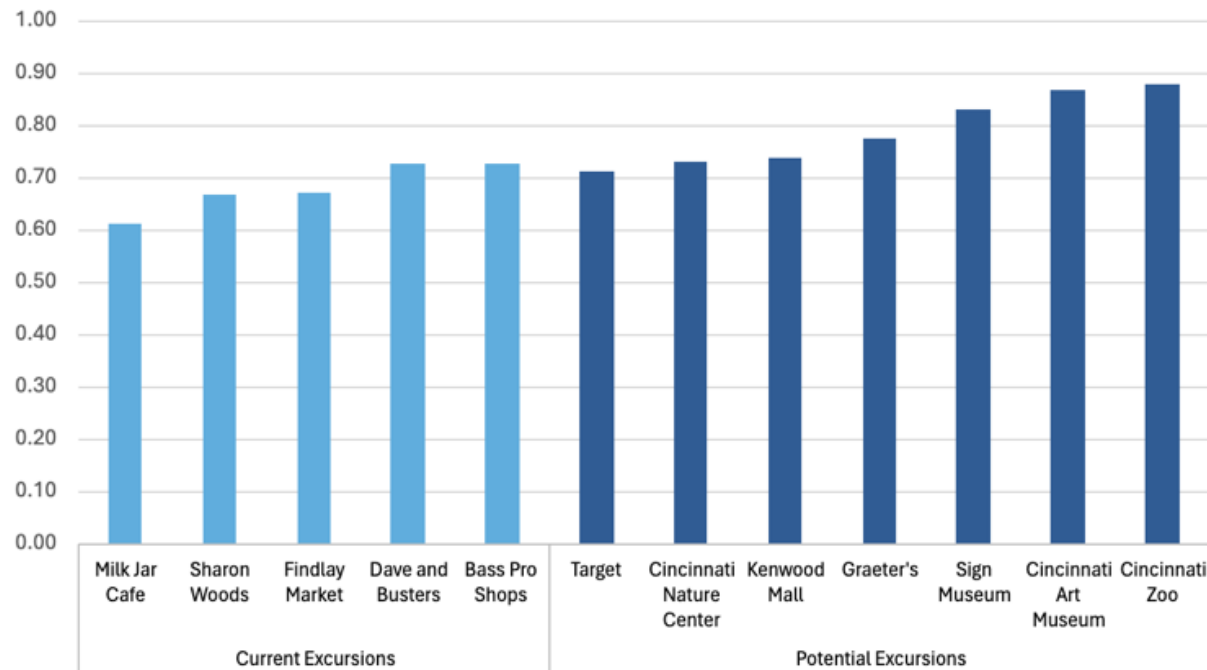


**Social
Support**

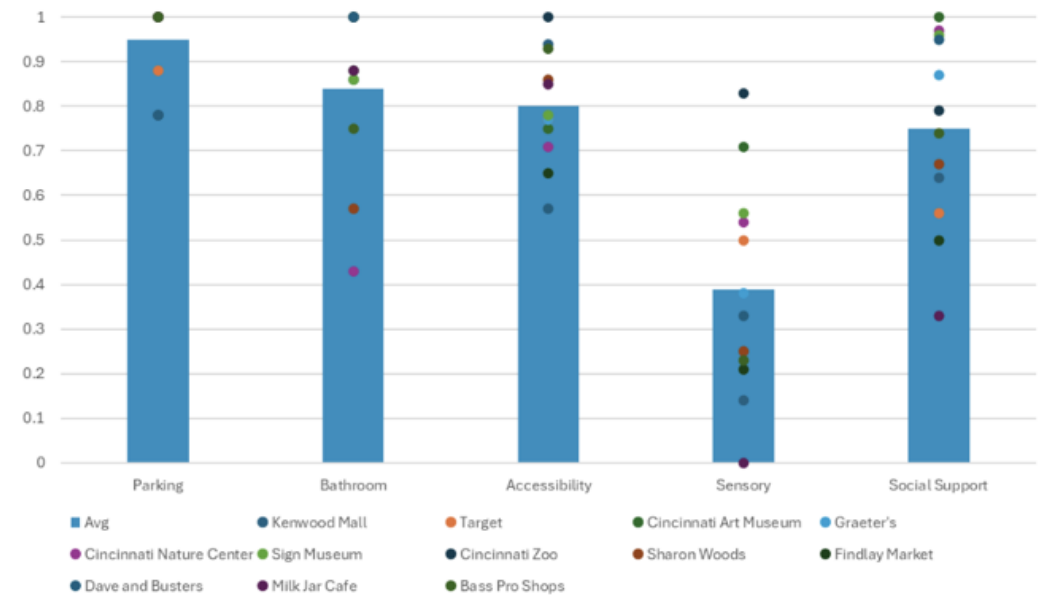
Data Analysis



Average Excursion Rating



Excursion Ratings



Policy Analysis

- **Cincinnati Accessibility Board of Advisors (CABA)**
- Made of eleven members with various disability experiences
- **Mission:** Consider and make recommendations to the City Manager on issues of accessibility for persons with disabilities within the City of Cincinnati
- **Goal:** Making Cincinnati more inclusive and accessible



Advocacy Strategy

- Social integration is vital for accessibility for all.
- **Strategy:**
 - Attend monthly CABA meetings and encourage collaboration with the Cincinnati Parks Department
 - Advocate for more accessibility in public parks
 - Implementing more regularly scheduled events with a focus on inviting and celebrating individuals with IDD.
- **Goal:** Bring the community together, emphasizing inclusivity, accessibility, and increasing the visibility of what CABA has already accomplished.

Policy Recommendation

- Have regularly scheduled events to bring communities together with an emphasis on inviting and celebrating individuals with IDD.
- Increase local visibility regarding CABA's current and past work.
- Ideas for events
 - Movie night
 - Concerts in the park
 - Arts and Crafts
 - Partnerships with local agencies (e.g. St. Joseph Home)



Thank you

References

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