The majority of the community falls within the service area of one or more parks, open spaces, or parkways. Gaps in service are primarily located along the perimeter of the City. However, most of these areas are serviced by parks in neighboring communities.

- The northeast neighborhoods along Center Street between North 64th and North 61st Streets are not served by Wauwatosa parks, but are served by Milwaukee’s Center Park.

- South central neighborhoods between North 89th and North 85th Streets are served by portions of the Honey Creek Parkway and are potentially served by Wisconsin Lutheran High School in West Allis.

- Northeast neighborhoods between Hope Avenue and Capitol Drive are not within any Wauwatosa service areas and no immediately proximate open spaces exist in Milwaukee that would serve these residences.
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NEIGHBORHOOD PARK LEVEL OF SERVICE

Parks included in the neighborhood park classification support neighborhood-driven uses and recreational opportunities. Based on this map, the majority of the high and medium density residential neighborhoods fall within the service area of one or more neighborhood parks.

- The areas with the highest level of service exist in the compact, pre-war neighborhoods north of the Village. Additional areas of high service exist in the dense southwest neighborhoods between Bluemound Road and Underwood Creek and in the neighborhoods west of Highway 45 between Center Street and North Avenue.

- Areas that do not fall within a service area are primarily located along the perimeter of the City. However, most of these areas are served by a community park, which can provide for these resident’s neighborhood park needs.

Figure 3.8 - Neighborhood Parks Level of Service
Parks included in the community park classification are larger than neighborhood parks, and support community- as well as neighborhood-driven uses and recreational opportunities. Based on this map, community parks are centrally located and evenly distributed throughout the community.

- The areas with a higher level of service exist near the Village along the Menomonee River Parkway, east of Mayfair Road and south of North Avenue.

- The southwest neighborhoods bordering West Allis and Brookfield could benefit from a closer community park. However, these neighborhoods could be served by Brookfields Krueger Park to the west between Highway 18 and I-94.
In addition to the School District, City, and Milwaukee County parks and open spaces, residents of Wauwatosa benefit from, and recreate in, additional open spaces owned and maintained by other private and public agencies throughout the City. Although these are not included in the level of service analysis their existence is important to note.
Parks, schools, institutions, and cultural amenities are well-distributed throughout the community. While many are clustered within the City's historic core and along Wauwatosa Avenue north of the Menomonee River, there is a relatively balanced distribution of these features throughout the community.