

Frequently Asked Questions About Pioneer Park and Engstrom Open Space

Q. Where is Pioneer Park and Engstrom Open Space?

A. Pioneer Park is located at SE 68th and Island Crest Way on Mercer Island. Engstrom Open Space is located at the 6500 block of East Mercer Way. Engstrom Open Space is next to the northeast quadrant of Pioneer Park.

- Q. How big is the entire park?
- A. Pioneer Park is 113 acres. Each quadrant is 1/4 mile on a side. Engstrom Open Space is 8.5 acres.
- Q. What is there to do there?
- A. There are 7 miles of foot, horse, and bike trails. The perimeter trail in the northwest quadrant has a fine gravel surface suitable for strollers and wheelchairs with inflatable tires. There is a picnic area across from the south end shopping center.
- Q. Who is responsible for the Pioneer Park and Engstrom Open Space?
- A. The Open Space Conservancy Trust, a volunteer board of seven citizens. Mercer Island Parks and Recreation maintains the park on behalf of the Trust.
- Q. Who should I call if I see a problem in the park?
- A. For an emergency, call 911. For everything else, please call the Parks Manager at 275-7874.
- Q. Can I pick mushrooms or greenery in the park?
- A. It is not permissible to remove anything from the park.
- Q. Where can I walk my dog?
- A. You can walk your dog on-leash or under voice control in the Northwest and Southeast quadrants. Dogs are not permitted off-leash in the Northeast quadrant because of environmentally critical areas.
- Q. How do I volunteer to help this park continue to be such an Island jewel?
- A. Visit www.earthcorps.org for the lastest volunteer events at Pioneer Park. Please register for an event there so we can know you are coming.
- Q. If I don't have time to volunteer can I make a monetary contribution to help preserve Pioneer Park and Engstrom Open Space?
- A. To make a tax deductible contribution to the park, mail a check to 2040 84th Avenue SE, payable to City of Mercer Island and indicate on the check "Mercer Island Pioneer Park."
- Q. Where can I learn more about Pioneer Park and Engstrom Open Space?
- A. Go to www.mercergov.org/pioneerpark