



LED lighting in Freedom Park

The VLPRA should look to update and add signs where necessary. Over time, the VLPRA should consider developing a signage and wayfinding package for the park system that comprehensively informs, directs, and educates users. The signage and wayfinding system should be designed to celebrate the park system's and community's unique character and attributes.

- Many of the parks evaluated appear to need ADA improvements. Most of these improvements appear to be related to providing accessible routes to facilities. The VLPRA should continue to implement their ADA transition plan.
- Many of the parks appear to have limited lighting, which impacts the overall usability and activation of the park. Additionally, many of the light fixtures appear to be dated. The VLPRA consider adding LED light fixtures where appropriate. These fixtures should be controlled, direct, and precise, thereby limiting light spillage to surrounding neighborhoods. LED lighting in Freedom Park and along the Azalea City Trail are great examples that the VLPRA should emulate throughout the system.

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STRENGTHS

- Most of the VLPRA's parks provide users with a sense of safety and security. Contributing factors include clear site lines and views to and from the surrounding areas; the promotion of eyes on the park through adjacent land uses that face onto the park; controlled and in certain instances monitored entry points; and programmed activities. Freedom Park, Lovett Park, and Senior Center are examples of parks that provide users with a good sense of safety and security.



Clear and open site lines with homes facing onto the park provide a sense of safety and security in Lovett Park