



## For the Love of Sports, Fix Newton's Fields

### Petition to Improve Newton's Athletic Fields

We, the undersigned, believe that athletics are integral to the well-being of our residents and that Newton's decaying and outdated athletic fields require urgent attention after decades of under investment.

Newton needs a multi-year athletic fields improvement program to:

- Rehabilitate fields in disrepair
- Construct artificial turf fields
- Increase maintenance to support usage levels
- Configure and allocate fields based on demand (not history)
- Install additional field lighting

We seek a formal commitment from the Mayor's office, City Council and Parks, Recreation & Culture (PR&C) department to:

- Allocate capital and operating funds
- Commit to a multi-year plan (dates, deliverables, budget, resources)
- Charge market-rate rental fees and direct them to field maintenance
- Commit Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds annually
- Dedicate the required resources to both deliver improvements and maintain existing fields

Your support will be shared with the City to demonstrate Newton's broad support for athletics.