

Hi-Lighter

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Hanover Park USA
America's Global Village

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Holiday Closing

The Municipal Complex will be closed for the following holiday:

Friday, April 2nd
Spring Holiday

Police and Fire will remain open 24/7.



Select the "Notify Me" icon on the home page of our website to stay informed of current events and happenings in the Village by signing up for our eNews.

Mayor Craig's "State of the Village"



Although 2020 was a challenging year for families and businesses in Hanover Park, the Village was still fortunate to have experienced growth by welcoming new businesses and developments. Hanover Park continued offering the high-quality services residents have come to expect, ensuring that services to the community were uninterrupted.

Hanover Park had much to celebrate in 2020. Aside from managing the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic, here are a few of our top accomplishments:

- For the fifth consecutive year, there was no property tax increase
- For the sixth consecutive year, there was no increase to water and sewer rates
- Awarded with the 2020 Gold HIRE Vets Medallion Award by the U.S. Department of Labor in recognition of the Village employing military veterans
- Ontarioville Plaza developed, which includes a water feature, stage and landscaping
- Replaced the last of the concrete streets throughout town
- 19 new businesses were opened
- Implemented a new patching program with a new asphalt patching machine, which patched 12,000 square yards of potholes in town
- Achieved CALEA Reaccreditation
- Participated in three Peace Together Our Community and two Know Your Rights events
- Named to Neighborhood Scout's Safest Cities in America List

With a new year upon us, I look forward to what 2021 will bring in terms of additional investment and enhancements to the community. New projects on the horizon include:

- Lake & Gary development
- Lake & Bartels development
- Townhomes at Wise & Farmstead
- Street repair program
- New water meters to be installed in all homes and businesses to capture real time data
- Implementation of body worn cameras for Police Officers
- Comprehensive study on social service offerings to residents
- Design of a south side Fire Station



Calendar of Events



Now, more than ever, is the time to Shop Local.....Shop Hanover Park!!!

Think Hanover Park when considering where to shop or eat out and help support our local economy:

- Buy as many of your essentials locally
- Order take out or delivery from your favorite restaurants (visit www.hpil.org for a complete restaurant list, organized by cuisine)
- Buy gift cards now for use later
- Recommend local businesses to friends and family

Shopping local helps by:

- Reinvesting in the Community
- Keeps dollars in the Community
- Creates more Local Jobs
- Supports the businesses that support our local schools and sports teams

Sonya Crawshaw Branch Library

4300 Audrey Lane
Hanover Park
630-837-6800

Visit www.pclib.org for current hours and the latest updates.

Candidate Forum

The Poplar Creek Public Library will be providing space for a Candidate's Forum for the various government bodies in Hanover Park and Streamwood. This event will be streamed live via Facebook. Visit pclib.org for more information.

Family Concert Series

All ages welcome to attend our FREE live virtual concerts; no registration necessary—just join us on our Facebook page the day of the performance! Visit pclib.org for details.



These programs are partially supported by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council Agency.

Elgin Symphony Orchestra
Woodwind Quintet
Peter and The Wolf
Sunday, March 21 at 2 p.m.



ELGIN
SYMPHONY
ORCHESTRA

The CoverGirls Violin Show
Sunday, April 18 at 2 p.m.



Due to COVID-19, meeting and event dates are subject to change or cancellation. Please visit our website or follow our Facebook page to be kept up-to-date on the latest information.

March

3	Special Events Committee...	11:30 pm / Room 214
4	Village Board Meeting.....	7:00 pm / Room 214
9	B.E.S.T. Session... ..	10:30 am / Virtual
9	Economic Dev. Committee...	12:30 pm / Virtual
9	Sister Cities Committee.....	7:00 pm / Virtual
11	Development Commission...	7:00 pm / Room 214
16	CIDC Committee.....	6:00 pm / Virtual
18	Village Board Meeting.....	7:00 pm / Room 214
20	HCP CPR (BLS).....	8:00 am / Fire Station #1
21	Water Bills Due	
23	Historical Committee.....	6:00 pm / Virtual
23	Environmental Committee	7:00 pm / Virtual

April

1	Village Board Meeting.....	7:00 pm / Room 214
2	Village Hall Closed - Spring Holiday	
8	Development Commission ..	7:00 pm / Room 214
13	Economic Dev. Committee..	12:30 pm / Virtual
13	Sister Cities Committee	7:00 pm / Virtual
15	Village Board Meeting.....	7:00 pm / Room 214
17	Heartsaver CPR/AED	8:00 am / Fire Station #1
20	CIDC Committee	6:15 pm / Virtual
21	Water Bills Due	
27	Historical Committee.....	6:00 pm / Virtual
27	Environmental Committee...	7:00 pm / Virtual

MINUTE WITH THE MAYOR



As I write this, the snow is heavy on the ground. I hope for an early spring and warmer weather to return after this cold, snowy winter. As we move into Spring, we have a renewed hope that 2021 will be a better year. There is light at the end of the tunnel now that a COVID-19 vaccine is being rolled out. Stay strong, stay positive, and continue to wear your masks, wash your hands, and social distance.

As the COVID vaccine has become available, new information is being provided on almost a daily basis on how to register to receive it. At times, it seems the information is changing by the day. This happens to be a situation where the only thing constant is change. The Village is focused on communicating this information as quickly as possible as it becomes public. Be sure to check our website, social media and eNews for the latest updates. I pray for everyone's health and recovery.

In February, as a person over the age of 65, I received my vaccine after logging into the Walgreens.com site and secured an appointment. Village Trustee Porter, also over 65 years of age, also went online and got an appointment as well. Both of our separate experiences were a no hassle, pleasant, and a stress free experience. We strongly encourage you to continue your efforts and time to get registered so you can get vaccinated. Read more about registering for the vaccine on page 9 of this newsletter.

I have received wonderful feedback following the Mayor's State of the Village video, which was nicely highlighted in the Daily Herald. It was my hope to highlight the exceptional Village Department Staff. Their leadership and caring for the people of Hanover Park is

demonstrated every day. They find the savings and best practices that have kept our Village homeowner taxes flat for the last five years.

We value and appreciate all of the caring and support demonstrated throughout our community this past year. Together, in multiple ways, support has been given to families with food offerings, neighbors helping neighbors, the Basket Brigade, and numerous free Covid-19 testing sites both public and private. We are in this together.

Finally, it continues to be my pleasure to represent the people of Hanover Park, our hometown. We cannot do it without you! Take time to volunteer and give back to our wonderful town, at the schools, churches or assisting on the playing field. We are a Village that believes all youth will have hope and achieve success without exception. Together we are finding ways to believe in our youth and together we can make a difference in Hanover Park!


Mayor Rodney Craig



"I strongly encourage all to get vaccinated."



"Getting the first dose of the Moderna COVID-19 vaccination. First step in the journey back to normal."

BOARD OF TRUSTEES



Liza Gutierrez



James Kemper



Herb Porter



Bob Prigge



Rick Roberts



Sharmin Shahjahan

Clerk's Corner:

Ways to Vote in the April 6, 2021 Municipal Election



Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda
Village Clerk

Early Voting

Registered voters may cast a ballot prior to Election Day without having to provide a reason for wanting to vote early. This ballot is cast by personal appearance at the office of the election authority or at an Early Voting Center in Cook County or DuPage County. The period for early voting begins the 40th day preceding an election and extends through the end of the day before Election Day.

Vote by Mail

Any eligible registered voter may Vote by Mail beginning 40 days prior to an Election. A voter must obtain an application for a vote by mail ballot, either by mail, in person or online. Upon obtaining the application and completing it, the application must be returned to the election authority, either the Cook County Clerk's Office or the DuPage Election Commission, within the appropriate time frame.

You may obtain an application for a vote by mail ballot at the Village Clerk's office or online.

Additional provisions and requirements apply to Military and Overseas Citizens.

Health Care Facility Voting: Any qualified voter that has been admitted to a health care facility (hospital, nursing home, or rehabilitation center) not more than 14 days before the election or, if released, is expected to be homebound on the day of the election and unable to travel to the polling place, shall be entitled to personal delivery of a ballot.

Election Day Voting

Registered voters can only vote in their home precinct on Election Day.

Residents who are not registered to vote may register and cast a ballot on Election Day thanks to same-day registration and voting. Those who wish to register on Election Day must present two qualifying forms of ID.

You may verify your home precinct by contacting the Office of the Village Clerk or through your election authority:

*Cook County Clerk's Office 69 W. Washington,
Suite 500 Chicago, IL 60602*

*DuPage Election Commission P.O. Box 1087
Wheaton, IL 60187*

Who Plows the Streets?



Hanover Park USA

Village of Hanover Park

- ☼ All residential streets

Illinois Tollway Authority

- ☼ IL-390 (Including Ramps)

Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT)

- ☼ Lake Street
- ☼ Barrington Road (North of Lake Street)
- ☼ Irving Park Road

DuPage County Division of Transportation (DuDOT)

- ☼ County Farm Road (South of Lake Street)
- ☼ Schick Rd (East of County Farm Road)
- ☼ Greenbrook Boulevard (East of County Farm Road)
- ☼ Army Trail Road
- ☼ Gary Avenue

Village of Bartlett

- ☼ Stearns Road (West of County Farm Road)

Although winter is ending and Spring is approaching, the months of March and April still bring the chance for snow.

You may notice that some streets are cleared on a different timeline than others. Did you know that the Village does not plow all the streets in town? Various government entities are responsible for plowing different streets and roadways in town.

The graphic to the left shows which streets are handled by entities other than the Village.

So when you see a roadway that has not been cleared...please be patient. In time it will be!

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Hanover Park, IL 60133

Important Telephone Numbers: Police, Fire & Ambulance: 9-1-1

Main Number630.823.5600
Police Information630.823.5500
Public Works Dept.....630.823.5700
Comm. Development....630.823.5780
Finance Department.....630.823.5790
Water Billing630.823.5799
Fire Department.....630.823.5800
Inspectional Services.....630.823.5860
Police Department fax...630.823.5499
Public Works fax630.823.5704
Municipal Building fax...630.823.5786

Code Enforcement Hotline 630.823.5572

Village Board Meetings:

Meetings are held the first and third Thursdays of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 2121 Lake Street. The public is encouraged to attend.

Call the Village Clerk's Office at 630-823-5601 or visit our website for dates, times and locations of the following regularly scheduled meetings:

- Cultural Inclusion & Diversity Comm.
- Development Commission
- Economic Development Committee
- Environmental Committee
- Historical Commission
- Sister Cities Committee
- Special Events Committee
- Veteran's Committee

Curfew hours:

For those under 17 years of age -
10:00 p.m. Sunday-Thursday
11:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

Neighborhood Watch:

Interested in becoming a Neighborhood Watch block captain? Contact 630.823.5635 for more information.

For questions or concerns regarding Village services, call 630.823.5600.

www.hpil.org

B.E.S.T. 2021 Sessions

The Village of Hanover Park's Economic Development Committee announces the 2021 Business Education Seminars on Technology (B.E.S.T.) quarterly sessions!

All Hanover Park businesses (including home-based) are invited to attend. Until further notice, all sessions will be virtual:

Maximize Your One Person or Small Marketing Team

March 9, 2021 @ 10:30am-12:00pm (virtual)

10 Social Media Best Practices for 2021

June 8, 2021 @ 10:30am-12:00pm (virtual)

How to Boost Yelp and Google Reviews

September 14, 2021 @ 10:30am - 12:00pm

Reboot Your Business After an Unexpected Obstacle

December 14, 2021 @ 10:30am-12:00pm

Watch the Village website business seminars page and Business Matters newsletter for details, or contact Community Development at (630) 823-5780.

Tornadoes....Are you Prepared?

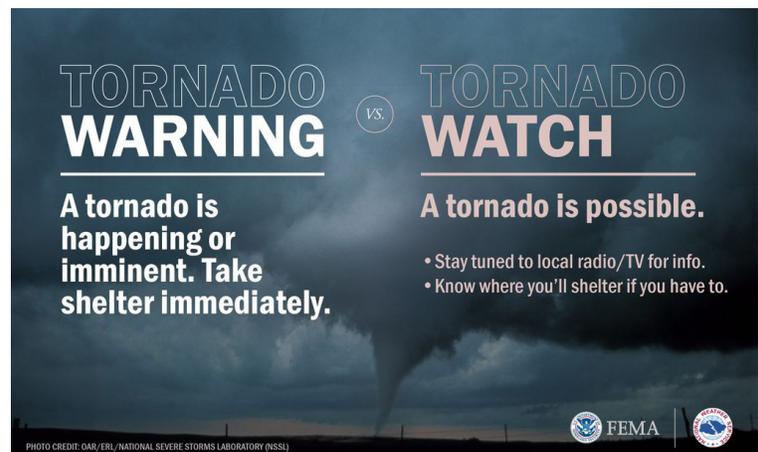
Tornado season is generally March through May in Illinois, although tornadoes can and do occur at any time of the year. They tend to occur in the afternoons and evenings with 50% occurring between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Illinois averages 64 tornadoes per year.

When a tornado threatens, you may only have seconds to save yourself and your family. Have a preparedness plan for your home, school, workplace AND anywhere groups of people gather.

Before a tornado, make sure all family members know the tornado safe location in your home. Store an emergency kit in your safe location. Also identify where to go if you are at work or school and make a communications plan.

During a tornado, go to a safe location away from windows on the lowest level of a sturdy building. If you are caught outside, get in a car, buckle up, and try to drive to the closest sturdy shelter. NEVER seek shelter under a bridge, and only lie flat in a ditch as a last resort.

Following these tips could save the lives of you and your family!



Electronics Recycling.... A New Solid Waste Service

The Village is excited to inform you that we have moved forward with a new agreement with Groot that will offer improved services.



First, there will now be **FREE** electronics recycling. Residents can dispose of two electronic waste items (including televisions up to 50 pounds) at no additional cost. You will be required to contact Groot and schedule collection at least 24 hours in advance of your designated service day. Televisions over 50 pounds may be charged an additional charge of \$50.00 per unit.

Secondly, the rate for 2021 is \$21.75 for all single family homes, duplexes and triplexes, reduced from \$25.53.

Please contact Groot at 630-469-1036 or the Public Works Department at 630-823-5700 should you have any questions.

Hanover Park Now Hiring Spring & Summer Laborers

Do you know anyone that might be interested in working for the Village of Hanover Park this Spring and/or Summer?

It's that time of the year again to apply for Seasonal Laborer's for the Public Works Department.

Candidates must be 18 years of age or older by their hire date and have a valid driver's license.

Interested? Go to: www.hpil.org/Job-Opportunities to apply!



Five Tips to Keep Your Basement from Flooding

Nobody wants to wake up after a rainstorm and walk downstairs to a flooded basement. There are some simple things a homeowner can do to take precautions:

- 1. Keep gutters clean** – gutters take water from your roof and direct it out onto your yard, away from the foundation. If gutters get filled with leaves, water will overflow and run down your foundation. Also, make sure they do not point at your neighbor's house. Keep the water on your property or direct it towards the street.
- 2. Check the grading around your foundation** – make sure it is sloped away from your home. Shrubs and flowers can help soak up water, but make sure you don't have mulch or dirt pitched towards the foundation.
- 3. Extend your downspouts away from the foundation** – see number 1 above. Consider a drywell or a rain garden to help reduce the runoff. Make sure it is at least 10 feet away from the foundation. There are lots of creative ways to do this; feel free to search the internet to find the one right for you.
- 4. Are there cracks in the foundation?** Get them sealed by hiring a reputable contractor. Check with neighbors or services online and the Better Business Bureau for recommendations.
- 5. Install Window Well Covers** – if water sits in your window wells, this could signal a problem with your foundation drainage. A cover will protect the window well from rainfall and will help keep it out of your basement.



Food for Fines Campaign a Big Success

For the 6th year in a row, the Hanover Park Police Department accepted donations of food in lieu of cash for payment for parking citations during its annual Food-for-Fines campaign.

People who received a \$50 parking citation between December 17 and 31, 2020 were given the option of paying the citation, or donating 10 cans of food to the Hanover Township Food Pantry. During the recent program, 70 citations were paid for with 705 cans of food.

As with almost everything else in 2020, the process was a little different this time. In observance of pandemic precautions, those wishing to pay their fine with a donation were required to bring the food items directly to the food bank. Once verified, they were given a receipt to turn in at the police department as payment for their citation.

While no one likes to receive a parking ticket, the annual event is a chance to turn a negative into something positive. This was especially important during these unprecedented times.

2020 Shop with a Cop: Pandemic Style

“Shop with a Cop” is an annual program that supports children (ages 5 to 18) who need a little extra holiday cheer with the opportunity to purchase clothing and other necessities while shopping with a police officer.

The Hanover Park Police Department has participated in this program for the past several years. But, like everything else in 2020, the program was altered a little to accommodate COVID-19 precautions.



In 2020, the officers weren't able to actually shop with the kids. So, school social workers and other service organizations were consulted. Eight children were chosen who have had a particularly rough year, many through tragic circumstances. Presents were purchased by the officers and shared with the children. Santa even took a little time out of his busy schedule to help deliver the gifts.

Hanover Park is ranked #63 on the 2021 Safest Cities in America List

The Village of Hanover Park has again been named as one of Neighborhood Scout's Safest Cities in America. This marks the ninth consecutive year that Hanover Park has been named to the list. The Village of Hanover Park achieved a ranking of #63 on the 2021 list.

To compile the list, Neighborhood Scout conducts research into the crime rates of cities in America with 25,000 or more residents. The crimes researched include burglary, larceny/theft, motor vehicle theft, murder, criminal sexual assault, armed robbery, and aggravated assault. Each year, law enforcement agencies are required to report this data to the FBI, who is responsible for compiling crime data throughout the United States. This compilation represents numbers from 2019 released in September of 2020. The list can be viewed at: <https://www.neighborhoodscout.com/blog/top100safest>

During this reporting period, the Village saw its number of violent crimes drop 28% to an historic low of only 31. It should be noted, however, that the Village dropped from #37 on the 2020 list, due to a 23% increase in property crimes, particularly burglary to motor vehicles. The Village of Hanover Park would like to remind residents to always lock your doors.

Residents are encouraged to connect with the Hanover Park Police Department on social media by liking them on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/HanoverParkPoliceDepartment>, and by following them on Twitter at @HanoverParkPD.



Spotlight on Business

My Taco Express
7310 Barrington Road
630-855-8460



Hours are Sunday-Thursday 10am-10pm and Friday-Saturday 10am-11pm.

My Taco Express is a family-owned Mexican restaurant that opened in December 2020. Their original location was at 1321 Irving Park Road under a different name and had been in business for 15 years. The owners decided to change the name and move to a new location so that they could start fresh and allow customers to enjoy a new more modern look and more seating, along with a drive through. Although they have a new name and new location, you can still find the same delicious traditional Mexican food served daily including a wide variety of their famous tortas, carne asadas, chilaquiles, breakfast items, and so much more. My Taco Express can customize food orders too!

They would like to thank their loyal customers for their support and hope to create new memories at their new location. Look for their new website and online menu coming soon!

Who Do I Contact at the Village For...

Are you looking to contact the Village to speak with a staff member, fill-out a Building Permit, submit a Freedom of Information Act Request, buy a Metra Station Parking Permit or something else?

Visit the Contact section of our website for our staff directory and who you should contact at the Village for specific questions.

You can also visit our FAQs section of our website to get answers to common questions that are categorized by department.

Both sections are located under the How Do I... tab on the main page of our website at www.HPIL.org



Holiday Decorating Contest

Congratulations to the winners of the 2020 Holiday Decorating



People's Choice Award:
The Great Madison Lights
7527 Madison Street



Village Board Award:
The Everetts
2100 Baldwin Lane



Park District Award:
Tomsovic House
1465 Spinnaker

2nd Place: People's Choice Award; Lights on Windward at 1854 Windward; Village Board Award: Raffaelli Family at 1067 Yorkshire; Park District Award: Miracle on Hemlock at 6988 Hemlock Street.

Thank you to all our participants and judges!

COVID-19 Vaccination... What You Need to Know!

It is understandable that some people may be concerned about getting vaccinated now that COVID-19 vaccines are available in the United States. While more COVID-19 vaccines are being developed as quickly as possible, routine processes and procedures remain in place to ensure the safety of any vaccine that is authorized or approved for use. Safety is a top priority, and there are many reasons to get vaccinated.

The distribution of COVID-19 vaccination will be done in a phased approach as vaccine supply is available and using guidance from local, state and national public health authorities. You can sign up for COVID-19 updates and information to schedule an appointment when administration expands to your phase. Both Cook and DuPage Counties offer registration options. The Cook County option allows for appointments to be scheduled, while DuPage registration allows them to contact residents with information.

Cook County Vaccination Registration - To Sign-up for COVID-19 vaccinations in suburban Cook County, please visit <https://vaccine.cookcountyil.gov>.

DuPage County Vaccine Registration - Signing up for DuPage County allows them to contact you with specific information when appointments or clinics are available. Please note: you will not be able to schedule an appointment until the time is right! If you want to register, please visit <https://dupagehealth.jotform.com/200694254415049>.

At the time of printing this newsletter, vaccinations are available at Hy-Vee, Jewel-Osco, Kroger, Mariano's, Meijer, Walgreens and Walmart pharmacies in Illinois. For further information, you can visit their websites listed below:

CVS	https://www.cvs.com/vaccine/intake/store/covid-screener/covid-gns
Hy-Vee (Central IL)	https://www.hy-vee.com/my-pharmacy/covid-vaccine-consent
Jewel-Osco	https://www.mhealthappointments.com/covidappt
Kroger	https://www.kroger.com/rx/guest/get-vaccinated
Mariano's	https://www.marianos.com/rx/guest/get-vaccinated
Meijer	https://clinic.meijer.com/register
Walgreens	https://www.walgreens.com/findcare/vaccination/covid-19
Walmart	https://www.walmart.com/pharmacy/clinical-services/immunization/scheduled?imzType=covid&action=PswdReset&rm=x



COVID-19 VACCINE:

TOP 10 THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

- 1** Getting the COVID-19 vaccine protects you and those around you.
- 2** The vaccine helps your body to fight the virus if you are exposed.
- 3** Widespread vaccination is crucial to help stop the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 4** The COVID-19 vaccine will not give you COVID-19 or make you contagious.
- 5** Side-effects similar to a flu shot (sore arm, tiredness and headache) may occur but show up in minutes to weeks, not years.
- 6** The vaccine requires two doses – the first prepares your immune system, the second makes the effects of the vaccine last longer.
- 7** Based on research, it is believed the vaccine is much safer in comparison to the virus.
- 8** Even if you already had COVID-19, you should get the vaccine.
- 9** COVID-19 vaccine trials met the highest standards of scientific research and diverse participants were included to determine safety and effectiveness.
- 10** Hand washing, mask wearing and social distancing continues to be essential, even after you get the vaccine.

Protect Yourself

AVOID COVID-19 Vaccine Scams

As COVID-19 vaccine distribution begins, here are signs of potential scams:

- You are asked to pay out of pocket to get the vaccine.
- You are asked to pay to put your name on a vaccine waiting list or to get early access.
- Advertisements for vaccines through social media platforms, email, telephone calls, online, or from unsolicited/unknown sources.
- Marketers offering to sell or ship doses of the vaccine for payment.

✔ Protect Yourself. Do not give out your personal information to unknown sources.

! If you believe you have been the victim of COVID-19 fraud, immediately report it to:

- HHS-OIG Hotline: 1-800-HHS-TIPS | tips.hhs.gov
- FBI Hotline: 1-800-CALL-FBI | ic3.gov
- CMS/Medicare Hotline: 1-800-MEDICARE

For accurate, up-to-date information about COVID-19, visit:

oig.hhs.gov/coronavirus
fbi.gov/coronavirus
justice.gov/coronavirus

Smoke Alarms: Change Your Clocks, Change Your Batteries

Daylight saving time will begin on March 14, 2021. The Hanover Park Fire Department would like to remind the community to check your smoke alarms. If your home has battery operated smoke alarms, it is time to change the batteries. Many new alarms have batteries that last up to 10 years. Is it time to replace your alarm? We recommend testing your alarms every month and conduct an Exit Drill In The Home (E.D.I.T.H.) for all family members.

Smoke alarms save lives. Smoke alarms play a vital role in reducing fire deaths and injuries. However, they must be installed properly and tested regularly, according to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

- In 2012-2016, smoke alarms sounded in more than half (53%) of the home fires reported to U.S. fire departments.
- Almost three of every five home fire deaths resulted from fires in homes with no smoke alarms (40%) or no working smoke alarms (17%).
- No smoke alarms were present in two out of every five (40%) home fire deaths.
- In fires in which the smoke alarms were present but did not operate, more than two of every five (43%) of the smoke alarms had missing or disconnected batteries.
- Dead batteries caused one-quarter (25%) of the smoke alarm failures.

Here are a few tips from the NFPA.

- A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat and fire. Install smoke alarms in every sleeping room and outside each separate sleeping area. Install alarms on every level of the home.
- Smoke alarms should be interconnected. When one sounds, they all sound.
- Large homes may need extra smoke alarms.
- Test your smoke alarms at least once a month. Press the test button to be sure the alarm is working.
- Today's smoke alarms will be more technologically advanced to respond to a multitude of fire conditions yet mitigate false alarms.
- When a smoke alarm sounds, get outside and stay outside.
- Replace all smoke alarms in your home every 10 years.

For more information about smoke alarm safety, contact the Hanover Park Fire Department at 630-823-5800.

Federal Tax Incentive for Commercial Fire Sprinklers



Fire sprinklers are an important system that can help your business by slowing the spread of a fire. A properly installed fire sprinkler system will reduce damage to your building, its contents, and most importantly will help protect the lives of any employees, visitors, and first responders in the event of a fire. Through available Federal Tax Incentives, you may be able to expense the installation of a fire sprinkler system.

Please visit the following website for more details: <https://firesprinklerassoc.org/federal-incentives/>

If you have questions about obtaining a permit to install a fire sprinkler system, please contact the Hanover Park Fire Department - Inspection Services Division by calling 630-823-5860 or emailing iservices@hphil.org



Fire Department Reserve Fleet



Frequently highlighted is the department's newly purchased apparatus and specialty equipment. These shiny new rigs are something to be proud of and we love sharing stories and pictures of our

latest additions. However, providing 24-hour a day response capabilities goes far beyond just our front line fleet.

Like your personal vehicles, fire and EMS apparatus require routine and ongoing maintenance. This maintenance may be as simple as an oil change and lube (not so simple on a 40,000 lbs. fire engine) as well as occasional heavy work on the drive train and pumps. No matter how diligent our firefighters work to meticulously maintain their apparatus, the fact remains that emergency vehicles generally live a hard life. Responding to emergency calls, operating in all weather conditions, and

pumping for hours results in significant wear and tear. While the apparatus is being serviced, another unit must be moved into its place to answer calls. To maintain our 24-hour response ready department, the Village operates a full fleet of reserve apparatus.

Pictured is the Fire Department's reserve or "spare" fleet. Vehicles include a ladder truck, engine/pumper, ambulance, command vehicle and a utility pickup truck. Each of these vehicles at one time served in a front line capacity before they were replaced and moved to the reserve pool. These units, depending on their specific capabilities, may spend anywhere from 2 years to 10 years working in a backup capacity.

Although fun to boast about the new stuff, we thought that it would be interesting to showcase this group of workhorses. Some of these units have operated in the Village, both as a front line and now as a reserve unit, for more than 20 years. When the Village finally disposes of one of our fire department units, it is truly tired. This rotational usage makes strong fiscal sense while ensuring quality continual service to those who need us.

COVID-19 Updates

Stay up-to-date on the latest COVID-19 information by visiting the Village's website at www.hpil.org.

Public Works Spring Projects

Spring of 2021 will be a busy time for the Public Works Department.

Street sweeping will begin in April. Every street in the Village will be swept once a month throughout the year, with additional sweeping cycles in the fall. Sweeping is very important to our community; it improves its appearance, prevents street flooding, and helps keep our water ways free of debris.

Of course, the end of winter will also bring construction season to the region. The Public Works Department will begin asphalt repairs, sidewalk repairs and the repair of parkways, as well as restoration from water main breaks, that have been damaged during our long winter season.

If you have any questions, please contact the Public Works Department at 630-823-5700.

Daylight Savings Time Begins

Daylight Savings Time begins March 14, 2021. Don't forget to move your clocks forward one hour!



2021 Brush Pick Up Program

The Brush Pick Up Program provides FREE curbside pickup and chipping of branches which is then recycled as mulch. This program produces mulch which is made available to Village residents for use around shrubs and flower beds. Brush is picked up in April, July, and October.

What will be picked up:

Branches with a minimum of two (2) feet in length and a maximum of ten (10) feet in length and less than eight (8) inches in diameter.

What will not be picked up:

- Small hedge or pine clippings.
- Yard waste or brush in containers.
- Brush or branches with thorns.
- Stumps or tree roots.

How to stack brush:

- Do Not Bundle!
- Neatly stack the brush in one direction with the butt end toward the street.
- No lumber, wire, rope or other material may be included with the brush.
- Do not block the sidewalk when putting brush out.

Set Out Time:

Brush can only be set out two days prior to 7:00 AM of your scheduled pick-up period. Please cut out the schedule to refer to throughout the year.

Do not put brush out after 7:00 AM on the first day of the collection cycle. Hold it for the next scheduled pick up. The Village incurs considerable cost returning to an area to collect brush set out after the first day of the collection cycle. If you have problems or questions regarding the Village's Brush Pick Up program call 630-823-5700.

Curbside yard waste collection is also provided by Groot Services once a week on Fridays, beginning April 2, 2021 through November 27, 2021. Yard waste stickers are required for curbside pickup, and yard waste must be placed in Kraft paper bags or branches must be tied in bundles up to 48 inches long and up to 18 inches in diameter.

Free mulch is available for pick up or delivery. If interested, please contact Public Works at 630-823-5700 for further information or to request a delivery.

2021 Brush Pick-Up Schedule

Area 1: Streets north of Lake St. and west of Barrington Road

Area 2: Streets north of Lake St. and east of Barrington Road

April 5, 2021, July 12, 2021 and October 4, 2021

Area 3: Streets south of Lake St. and north of Lawrence Ave.

Area 4: Streets south of Lawrence Ave.

April 19, 2021, July 26, 2021 and October 18, 2021

2021 Business of the Year Winners!

People's Choice Winner!



Alianza Hispana is a family-owned and operated company that specializes in income tax preparation, travel services, translations, and other financial related services. They have been in Hanover Park for 18 years and have three other locations in northern Illinois. Owner Elia Rodriguez's community involvement includes volunteering with Census 2020, business outreach on behalf of the Village, making business well-check calls during the pandemic, presenting at the Village's Annual Small Business Forum, and she recently finished a two-year term as President of the Northwest Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Alianza Hispana celebrated their 20th anniversary in business last year and plans to continue serving the community with their business philosophy of loyalty, dedication and service. Alianza Hispana is located at 2023 Irving Park Road and can be reached at 630-233-1460.



Jabil Packaging Solutions has 215 dedicated employees in Hanover Park, and operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week. They offer custom packing solutions for consumer products using plastic injection molding machines and have been in Hanover Park since 2006. Jabil has been active in the community for many years, participating in Habitat for Humanity and Toys for Tots, along with supporting local food banks. They are located at 1556 Hunter Road and can be reached at 630-671-2000.

All residents and businesses were encouraged to nominate outstanding local businesses. Entrants must be located in Hanover Park and were judged in several categories including community involvement, customer service, and positive image and appearance.



Dulce Vida Juice Bar invites you to come in and get refreshed with natural juices, lemonades, smoothies and bowls, breakfast toasts, fresh salads, ice cream, yogurt parfaits, and energy shots! They started as a small natural juice and ice cream shop in Melrose Park, and 6 years ago they decided to open their second location in Hanover Park. Their business philosophy involves educating people of the importance of healthy eating which ties directly into their community involvement with schools, churches and youth groups. 2020 has been a challenging year but they continue to be proud of their healthy plant-based menu and look forward to a fantastic 2021! Dulce Vida Juice Bar is open from 6:00 am to 10:00 pm daily and are located at 2003 Irving Park Road. They can be reached at (224)-236-5045.



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Elected Officials

Village President - Rodney S. Craig

Village Clerk - Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda

- Liza Gutierrez, Trustee
- James Kemper, Trustee
- Herb Porter, Trustee
- Bob Prigge, Trustee
- Rick Roberts, Trustee
- Sharmin Shahjahan, Trustee

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