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News from the Village of Hoffman Estates

Health and Human Services continues to care for the community

Many things have changed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. One thing that hasn't, however, is the Health and Human Services Department's commitment to delivering vital, affordable mental and physical health services.

Due to the fluid nature of the COVID-19 situation, all information is subject to change. Please follow the Village on social media and keep an eye on our website for the most up-to-date information.

Health and Human Services (HHS) clinics serve Hoffman Estates and the surrounding communities, providing immunizations, routine care and health monitoring for babies, children, teens, adults and senior citizens.

While many of these services were put on hold when Village facilities closed in March, HHS has spent the past few months preparing to strategically reopen. Clinic services, including essential vaccines for patients of all ages, are now being administered on an appointment-only basis. Social distancing and other preventative measures are in place.

HHS is also preparing for the future. Once a COVID-19 vaccine or treatment becomes available, HHS will be on the front lines, ensuring that our community is protected.

During the pandemic, the importance of mental health services has only grown. HHS has responded, quickly pivoting from in-person counseling to telehealth services to ensure continuity of care. Telehealth services will remain available at least through the end of 2020.

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Growing to Greenness!

Historian's notebook

By Pat Barch, Hoffman Estates Village Historian

Water meter replacement project resumes

The Village and its installation partners, Siemens and PMI, are resuming the Hoffman Estates-wide water meter replacement project, following a delay caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. This program will affect all residential, industrial and commercial buildings.

Residents and businesses will receive a postcard in the mail with instructions on how to schedule their meter replacement. Appointments typically take no longer than 30 minutes, and there are a number of appointment dates and times available.



An example of a new water meter.

The well-being of residents is always a top priority, and meter installers will be following strict safety guidelines, which include procedures for proper sanitizing and personal protective equipment (PPE).

Be on the lookout for mailers with details on how to schedule your meter replacement! Questions can be directed to Siemens' dedicated hotline at 866-965-0665.

For more information, visit hoffmanestates.org/watermeters.

In 1848, the Illinois Constitution gave voters in each county the opportunity to adopt township governments; on April 2, 1850, the Township of Schaumburg was established. A committee was soon formed, and the township began providing assistance to the poor and needy, assessing property for the basis of local taxation, and maintaining local roads and bridges.

Not many really understand what Schaumburg Township is. Before there was a "Hoffman Estates" or any other town within its 36 square miles, Schaumburg Township was the only form of government that residents could turn to, and it helped settle fence line disputes and complaints about impassable roads, among other services.

The township committee met in one another's homes in those early years, and it would later meet in "The Buttery" located at 105 S. Roselle Road in Schaumburg. When Blackhawk School at Illinois Boulevard and Schaumburg Road in Hoffman Estates was closed in 1977, the township moved in. It remained there until the old school building was torn down and a new, dedicated facility was built in 1996 at 1 Illinois Blvd.

There are portions of seven villages within Schaumburg Township's 36-square-mile border: Elk Grove Village, Hanover Park, Hoffman Estates, Rolling Meadows, Roselle, Schaumburg and Streamwood. The township serves a population of 140,000. The boundaries are Barrington Road on the west, Rowling Road on the east, Central Road on the north and roughly Illinois Route 390 (Elgin-O'Hare Tollway) on the south.

The Village of Hoffman
Estates is not only in Schaumburg Township, but also
in Barrington, Hanover and
Palatine townships. The very
personal connections that our
townships offer make them

a great resource for one-onone help with property tax problems, transportation services, relief for food insecure individuals and assistance for senior citizens. There's more to learn on your township's website. You can also call them for a more personal experience.

Illinois has had township governments for just over 170 years, but township governments originally started out east in Providence, Rhode Island, in 1636 – more than 140 years before the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776! There are 17,000 townships across the United States and 1,428 townships in Illinois.

Helping people remains the primary responsibility of our townships. Their services are needed now more than ever. They are standing by, ready to assist with whatever kind of assistance our families need.

Email Pat Barch at eagle2064@comcast.net.

Health and Human Services

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Mental health services are offered on a sliding scale, making these essential services affordable to all. HHS is also launching a virtual education and support series, Coffee and Conversations: Coping with COVID-19, in July. This series will address the impact of the pandemic on a variety of topics, including parenting, stress management and anxiety, grief and loss, couples and communication, and more.

HHS also provides supplementary services. Medical equipment, including wheelchairs, walkers, canes and crutches, is available free of charge to residents through the department's Lending Closet program. To request an item for loan or to return an item, call to set up an appointment. The recycling program for expired medication and sharps will also reopen in July. Expired medications and sharps are accepted through HHS on the first Wednesday of each month from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Residents can call HHS to set up contactless drop-off. Additionally, HHS offers limited financial assistance for those experiencing hardship for utility, rent or mortgage payments through a partnership with the Salvation Army, and it can provide referrals to other support services.

For more information and to make an appointment, call 847-781-4850 or visit www.hoffmanestates.org/hhs. To learn more about current HHS services, turn to page 5.



100 years of women's suffrage

On June 26, 1913, Illinois Governor Edward Dunne signed the Illinois Suffrage Act into law, giving women the right to vote for president and local officials. This made Illinois the first state east of the Mississippi River to give women the right to vote for president. On June 4, 1919, the U.S. Congress passed the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution (also known as the Susan B. Anthony Amendment), guaranteeing all American women the full right to vote. Just six days later, along with Wisconsin and Michigan, Illinois ratified the amendment. With Tennessee's ratification on Aug. 20, 1920, the 19th Amendment was added to the U.S. Constitution.

In recognition of the passing of women's right to vote, the Village Hall has planted purple, white, and gold flowers in several installations surrounding the Village Hall, including the fountain and circular bed near the entrance of the building.



Fireworks alert!

It is important to note that, except for novelty fireworks (e.g., sparklers, snakes, noisemakers), fireworks are illegal in Illinois without a permit. Illegal fireworks (e.g., cherry bombs, M-80s) present substantial risks of injury, including blindness, amputations, burns and even death.

The Hoffman Estates Fire Department joins the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, the National Council on Fireworks Safety and others to educate the public on fireworks safety. Here are some practical tips:

- Keep children away from all fireworks.
- Observe all local and state laws.
- If an eye injury does occur, do not touch, rub or press on the injured eye. Seek immediate help from a hospital emergency room or eye-care professional.

For more information, call the Hoffman Estates Fire Prevention Bureau at 847-843-4835.









A message from Mayor McLeod

Although traditional Independence Day activities have been put on hold this year, there is still so much to celebrate! Families and neighbors can gather (per guidelines recommended by the governor's office, of course) to take part in front lawn Fourth of July festivities. Plan a picnic, fire up the barbecue, pull out the sidewalk chalk and enjoy the day outside! The state and the Village are slowly opening up and, before you know it, we will see and feel the vibrancy of summer that we all crave.

Over the past few months, I've seen a tremendous outpouring of support from our residents. I appreciate all those who have reached out to our police officers, firefighters and medical staff at AMITA Health St. Alexius Medical Center. I applaud those who have checked in on their neighbors, the elderly and those who need an extra hand. None of us expected the impact COVID-19 would have on society, but I, for one, have been blown away by how our community has stepped up. This is what makes Hoffman Estates such a great place to live, work and play! The Board and I continue to recognize acts of kindness through our Great Citizen program. Do you have a Great Citizen story to share? Email me at bill.mcleod@hoffmanestates.org.

I'm happy to report that, with safety guidelines in place, the Village and the Sears Centre Arena have officially opened the Hideaway Brew Garden at the Village Green, 5510 Prairie Stone Parkway. Arena staff have created a safe, socially distanced venue for people to enjoy, complete with delicious food, refreshing beverages and live music. For more information and to make a reservation, visit www.hideawaybrewgarden.com. Reserve your table today!

While most July events have been canceled, we are hopeful that, as the state continues to open up, things will soon return to normal. Keep an eye on the Village website, social media and this newsletter for updates on events in August and beyond!

Do you have questions or comments? Feel free to email me or give me a call at 847-815-3842.

Bill me Lead







Community briefs

Independence Day observance

The Village Hall will be closed on Friday, July 3, and Saturday, July 4.

Donate food to honor Fourth of July

While there is no Fourth of July parade this year, the Celebrations Commission is still accepting donations of non-perishable canned/boxed goods and paper products at the Village Hall during normal business hours. These donations will be used to replenish area township food pantries. Monetary donations will also be accepted.



Coffee with the Board

The next Coffee with the Board is scheduled for Saturday, July 18, at 10 a.m. at the Village Hall. Ask questions and provide comments to the Village of Hoffman Estates Board of Trustees. The event will be held consistent with the social distancing requirements of Phase 4 of the Restore Illinois plan. Visit www.hoffmanestates.org for confirmation the week of the event.

Medication and sharps recycling

The Village provides residents with an opportunity to recycle expired or unused medications and sharps (e.g., syringes, needles and lancets). Items can be dropped off at Health and Human Services on the first Wednesday of each month from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Medications and sharps will not be accepted at other times. Sharps must be in a hard, sealed container. Residents who require sharps containers can call 847-781-4850 to make the request and set up a curbside pickup.



Firefighter testing and employment opportunity

The Hoffman Estates Fire Department is currently accepting applications for the position of firefighter/paramedic. Visit www.hoffmanestates.org/fire for a complete list of eligibility requirements and details of the testing process. The application deadline is Monday, July 13, at 4 p.m.



Save the date: large recycling event

In partnership with the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC), the Village is hosting its annual large recycling and document destruction event on Saturday, Aug. 22. More info in the next Citizen!

Welcome new businesses!

312 Nail & Spa Studio 4599 W. Higgins Road

Honey Berry Pancakes and Café 2708 N. Sutton Road



JM Blacktop Paving 4800 W. Higgins Road

Pure Barre South Barrington 4650 Hoffman Blvd.

Counseling services

Health and Human Services offers professional counseling services to residents. Counseling can improve an individual's life by reducing stress, working through change and increasing satisfaction related to work, school and relationships. Services are available for individuals, couples and families. Fees are affordable for all households, and are provided on a sliding scale based on household income. Call 847-781-4850 for information.

July dates for seasonal brush drop-off

Brush may be brought to the Public Works Fleet Maintenance Facility, 2405 Pembroke Ave., from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, July 4, and Saturday, July 18. This free program, which ends in September, accepts residential brush/branches only (no commercial loads), and proof of residency is required. For more information, call 847-490-6800.

eNews from Hoffman Estates

Hoffman Estates is expanding its communication to residents. To sign up for free email alerts, visit www.hoffmanestates.org/enews. From there, you can customize your account profile. By providing the Village with your contact information, you'll be the first to receive news, meeting announcements and employment opportunities, among other emails. This is a confidential message system customized to suit your specific needs.



Fourth of July garbage collection

Reminder: garbage, recycling and yard waste collection will take place as regularly scheduled during the week of Independence Day. Collection will occur on Monday, July 6, for residents north of I-90, and on Wednesday, July 8, for residents south of I-90, including residents west of Bartlett Road. For more information, call 847-781-2631.

Consolidated Plan available for comment

The Village receives a limited amount of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funding each

year to put toward community development projects that benefit low- to moderate-income individuals. The five-year Consolidated Plan for Community Development Block

Grant (CDBG) funding will be available for review and public comment in July. For more information, visit www.hoffmanestates.org/cdbg.

Healthy body, healthy mind ... news from Health and Human Services

DIY nature scavenger hunt

Do you enjoy scavenger hunts? Are you looking for a way to make walking more enjoyable? In honor of National Therapeutic Recreation Week, Health and Human Services is encouraging you to get outside and immerse yourself in nature. The purpose of this week is to encourage community members to incorporate more exercise into their daily routines, as well as share ways to enhance the benefits of exercise by using mindfulness techniques. You can find this event through the Village Facebook page and website, and you can use this link to access scavenger hunt questions: www.surveymonkey.com/ r/5WXJ3HM. These questions will help guide you and your family while you are on your journey. Submit your responses during the week of July 5 to July 11 for a chance to win a gift card to a local business. Remember to practice social distancing while on your scavenger hunt and, most importantly, HAVE FUN! For more information, contact Taylor Levitt at 847-781-4857 or taylor.levitt@hoffmanestates.org.



Lending Closet

Health and Human Services provides assistance for residents in need of temporary medical equipment, such as wheelchairs, walkers, canes and crutches. Please note: the Village's Lending Closet does not loan out bath equipment. Residents who wish to return their loaned items or who wish to receive an item for loan should call 847-781-4850 to schedule a pick-up and drop-off time. Appointments are necessary to schedule these services.



Coffee and Conversations: Coping with COVID-19

Join Health and Human Services for a virtual community learning and discussion space, Coffee and Conversations: Coping with COVID-19. This series will cover topics that impact the community, including managing stress and anxiety, parenting during a pandemic, couples during COVID-19, managing grief as an adolescent, and more. Sessions will be hosted via Zoom. For a full list of topics and details on how to register, visit the Health and Human Services website at www.hoffmanestates.org/coronavirus.

Children's clinics resuming

Health and Human Services is pleased to announce the return of the baby and children's vaccination clinics. These clinics have always used exceptional infection control policies, but they will now institute additional guidelines, as suggested by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). These added safety measures will help to ensure the health of patients, as well as protect Village employees. With this reopening, Health and Human Services will be offering individual appointment times for each child instead of holding one larger clinic per month. The following precautions will also be introduced:

- Appointments will be staggered to promote social distancing
- A new COVID-19 questionnaire will be answered by each individual
- Temperature checks will be done prior to appointment time
- Face coverings/masks will be required for anyone over the age of 2
- Only one parent per child while inside the Village Hall is encouraged
- Additional hand sanitizing stations have been placed throughout the Village Hall
- All immunizations will be discussed with families by nurses via telephone before appointments
- Credit card payments (if necessary) will be done via telephone
- Staff will be required to wear additional personal protective equipment (PPE)

Health and Human Services looks forward to providing this important service again to the Hoffman Estates community, and asks that you please do not hesitate to call with any questions at 847-781-4850. Information regarding our clinics will also be updated on the Health and Human Services website at www.hoffmanestates.org/hhs.



By Bev Romanoff Hoffman Estates Village Clerk

Clerk's corner

As you may remember, the Village celebrated its 60th anniversary last year. We now have the second part of our history book – this one picks up where the other one left off, and it is available for purchase at the Village Hall. Stop by and pick up part two (or both, if you don't have the first) and learn more about Hoffman Estates!

Contact the Village Clerk's office at 847-781-2625 or email the Clerk at bev.romanoff@hoffmanestates.org.

What is **tar spot?**

Have you noticed black splotches on the leaves of your maple trees? This is a disease known as tar spot. The impact of tar spot is cosmetic and largely harmless to otherwise healthy trees.

Signs and symptoms

Tar spot can infect the leaves of most species of maple trees, tulip trees and willow trees, and it will not necessarily appear every year. The first sign of tar spot is the development of small yellowish spots that show up soon after leaves start to form in the spring. As the summer progresses, many of these spots will expand and grow in a circular pattern. Eventually, these circular spots turn black, looking like a drop of tar on the surface of the leaf.



How to control tar spot

On many trees, infection only occurs when there is exceptionally cool, wet weather during leaf development. In most cases, trying to control tar spot is not necessary.

It is recommended that fallen leaves infected with tar spot be raked away from trees and disposed of properly in stickered yard waste bags.

If you have questions about tar spot, call Public Works at 847-490-6800.

Limited indoor and outdoor dining

On June 26, Illinois moved to Phase 4 of Governor Pritzker's Restore Illinois COVID-19 recovery plan, which allowed restaurants and bars to continue offering outdoor dining and limited indoor dining, with restrictions.

To help restaurants re-open operations while still adhering to the requirements of Restore Illinois, the Village established temporary regulations for outdoor dining areas on private property. These temporary regulations will remain in place until restaurants can operate at full capacity per Restore Illinois, or until otherwise determined by the Village Board. The guidelines and forms can be found at www.hoffmanestates.org/outdoordining. A complete list of Phase 4 guidelines for restaurants per the state of Illinois can be reviewed at https://bit.ly/3fQ8GEp.

Thank you for your continued support of local restaurants during this challenging economic time. Visit www.hoffmanestates.org/restaurantsopen for a list of restaurants that are open for service.





Thinking about installing a **swimming pool?**

Here are a few basic requirements to consider if you are thinking about installing a swimming pool in Hoffman Estates:

- A building permit is required for swimming pools 24 inches or more in depth, or those that hold 1,000 gallons
 or more of water, including spas and inflatable or temporary pools.
- Swimming pools should be at least 5 feet from any building and at least 10 feet from the rear and side lot line.
- All building permit applications require submission of your property plat of survey.
- A fence or barrier may be required if existing fences do not meet current safety standards for swimming pools.
- Before a permit is issued, a Village inspector will conduct an onsite inspection to ensure that set-back requirements are met and electrical lines do not pose safety threats, as well as to inspect existing fences.

Visit <u>www.hoffmanestates.org/permits</u> for more information on getting a permit for a swimming pool. If you have any questions, call the Code Enforcement Division at 847-781-2631.



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July calendar







Due to precautions related to COVID-19, most non-essential Village meetings, events and tours are canceled through July 2020. For up-todate information, visit www.hoffmanestates.org/calendar.

Wednesday, July 1

Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m. at VH

Friday, July 3

VH CLOSED

Saturday, July 4

- INDEPENDENCE DAY, VH CLOSED
- · Brush Drop-off Program, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Public Works Fleet Maintenance Facility

*Sunday, July 5

Veteran's Flag 79: Carleton W. Fish, USAF, Vietnam

Monday, July 6

- Standing Committee Meetings, 7 p.m. at VH
- Village Board Meeting, immediately following Standing Committee Meetings at VH

Thursday, July 9

Forward Together Virtual Town Hall, 6 p.m.

*Sunday, July 12

Veteran's Flag 80: Robert T. Wade, USAAF, WWII

Monday, July 13

Fire Pension Fund Board Meeting, 9:30 a.m. at Fire Station 24

Tuesday, July 14

- CDBG Consolidated Plan Public Hearing, 4 p.m. at VH
- Fire and Police Commission Meeting, 6 p.m. at PD

Wednesday, July 15

Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m. at VH

Saturday, July 18

- Coffee with the Board, 10 a.m. at VH
- Brush Drop-off Program, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Public Works Fleet Maintenance Facility

*Sunday, July 19

Veteran's Flag 81: George A. Mally, Army, WWII

Monday, July 20

- Standing Committee Meetings, 7 p.m. at VH
- · Village Board Meeting, immediately following Standing Committee Meetings at VH

Tuesday, July 21

Police Pension Fund Board Meeting, 1 p.m. at PD

*Sunday, July 26

Veteran's Flag 82: Walter M. Ludtke, Army, WWII

Village Board meetings are held on the first and third Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in the VH Council Chambers, unless otherwise noted.

The General Administration and Personnel; Planning, Building and Zoning; and Transportation and Road Improvement committee meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in the VH Council Chambers, unless otherwise noted.

The Finance; Public Health and Safety; and Public Works and Utilities committee meetings are held on the fourth Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in the VH Council Chambers, unless otherwise noted.

VH: Village Hall, 1900 Hassell Road PD: Police Department, 411 W. Higgins Road PWC: Public Works Center, 2305 Pembroke Ave.

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Protect yourself from mosquitos

The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) has confirmed the first mosquitoes to test positive for West Nile virus in Illinois for 2020.

Monitoring for West Nile virus in Illinois includes laboratory tests for mosquito batches, dead crows, blue jays, robins and other perching birds, as well as testing sick horses and humans with West Nile virus-like symptoms. Hoffman Estates residents who see a sick or dying perching bird should contact the Northwest Mosquito Abatement District (NWMAD) at office@nwmadil.com or 847-537-2306.



West Nile virus is transmitted through the bite of a Culex pipiens mosquito, commonly called a house mosquito, that has picked up the virus by feeding on an infected bird. Common symptoms include fever, nausea, headache and muscle aches. Symptoms may last from a few days to a few weeks. However, four out of five people infected with West Nile virus will not show any symptoms. In rare cases, severe illness, including meningitis, encephalitis or even death, can occur. People older than 60 and individuals with weakened immune systems are at higher risk for severe illness from West Nile virus.

Fight the bite! Take these precautions to limit your exposure to West Nile

- **REDUCE** make sure doors and windows have tight-fitting screens. Repair or replace screens that have tears or other openings. Try to keep doors and windows shut. Eliminate, or refresh each week, all sources of standing water where mosquitoes can breed, including water in bird baths, ponds, flowerpots, wading pools, old tires and any other containers.
- **REPEL** when outdoors, wear shoes and socks, long pants, and a light-colored, long-sleeved shirt, and apply an EPA-registered insect repellent that contains DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus or IR 3535. Consult a physician before using repellents on infants.
- **REPORT** report locations where you see water sitting stagnant for more than a week, such as roadside ditches, flooded yards and similar locations that may produce mosquitoes. The NWMAD may be able to add larvicide to the water, which will kill any mosquito larvae.

For more information about West Nile virus, visit www.dph.illinois.gov or www.nwmadil.com.

^{*} The flag-rotation ceremony is held at the Veterans' Memorial every Sunday at 1 p.m. The public is invited to attend. Those wishing to make a donation for the perpetual maintenance of the Memorial may do so at the Village Hall, or by mailing a check to the Veterans' Memorial clo the Village of Hoffman Estates, 1900 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates, IL 60169. The casket flags of deceased veterans listed on the calendar above will be flying at the Veterans' Memorial in the coming month. The Veterans' Memorial is located outside the Hoffman Estates Police Department at 411 W. Higgins Road, Hoffman Estates, IL 60169.

The Village of Hoffman Estates

1900 Hassell Road Hoffman Estates, IL 60169 www.hoffmanestates.org

Important phone numbers

Main
Police and Fire 911
Police Administration847-781-2800
Fire Administration 847 - 843 - 4825
Public Works
Health and
Human Services 847-781-4850
Event Hotline847-252-5443

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William D. McLeod

Trustees

Karen V. Mills Anna Newell Gary J. Pilafas Gary G. Stanton Michael Gaeta Karen J. Arnet

Village Clerk

Bev Romanoff

Village Manager James H. Norris

Municipal facilities

Most Village facilities are closed to the public or have special hours until further notice. Visit our website for online services.

Village Hall

1900 Hassell Road

Police Department

411 W. Higgins Road

Fire Administration

1900 Hassell Road

Fire Station 21 — Carl W. Selke 225 Flagstaff Lane

Fire Station 22 — Michael J. O'Malley 1700 Moon Lake Blvd.

Fire Station 23 — Richard G. Cordova 1300 Westbury Drive

Fire Station 24 — Jerome Danowski 5775 Beacon Pointe Drive

Susan H. Kenley-Rupnow Public Works Center 2305 Pembroke Ave.



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Forward Together: community conversation on **justice and diversity**

The Village of Hoffman Estates' respect for diversity is recognized in its vision statement: "The Village will leverage its strength as a uniquely diversified community by developing interactive relationships with all residents in order to enhance the quality of life throughout the Village."

Mayor William D. McLeod and the Village Board invite you to participate in Forward Together, a virtual Town Hall meeting, on Thursday, July 9, at 6 p.m. Community members will gather together online to openly discuss issues of justice in policing, racial concerns, and diversity and inclusion in our community, as well as the impact of the Black Lives Matter movement in Hoffman Estates. Panelists will include U.S. Rep. Raja Krishnamoorthi and others. The event will be moderated by the Rev. Larry

S. Bullock, MPA, MDiv., senior pastor at Living Faith Cathedral Worship Center Church in Palatine.

Visit www.hoffmanestates.org to register for this virtual event. Additional details, including a link to the online meeting, will be provided at that time.

The community is encouraged to submit questions for the panelists in advance of the event. Forward your questions or comments to jennifer.djordjevic@hoffmanestates.org by 5 p.m. on Monday, July 6. The webinar format will also provide an opportunity to ask questions, provide feedback and listen.

Please join us for this important community conversation as we navigate the way forward, together.

