

Hoffman Estates Citizen

April 2021

Village's recycling programs demonstrate commitment to sustainability

Celebrate Earth Day this April 22 – and every day – by using residential recycling programs! The Village of Hoffman Estates offers recycling options for paper and plastic, electronics, clothing, and more.

All residential customers can take advantage of curbside recycling with Groot. The curbside program provides each residence with a 65-gallon toter for recycling paper, metal, plastic, glass and cartons. Items should be clean and dry, and materials do not need to be separated. For details on how to “recycle right” for curbside, check out page 6 of this issue.

Details on recycling for large electronics are included on page 2.

The Simple Recycling “orange bag” program provides residents with an easy way to dispose of unwanted textiles and small home goods. Residents can “simply” place items in Simple Recycling orange bags (or any bag labeled “Simple Recycling”) next to their garbage and

Members of the Sustainability Commission present the 2018 Illinois Sustainability Award to the Village Board.

Due to the fluid nature of COVID-19, all information is subject to change. Follow the Village on social media and visit the website for the most up-to-date information.

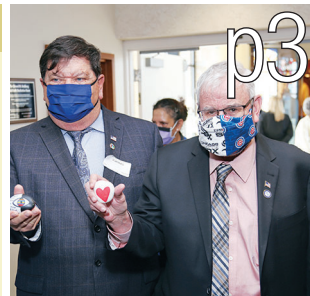
recycling on their normal pickup day. Visit www.simplerecycling.com or call 866-835-5068 for details and to request additional bags.

A number of items are also accepted in the Village Hall lobby for donation or recycling. Residents can drop off used eyeglasses to benefit the Schaumburg-Hoffman Lions Club. Small electronics (cell phones, etc.) and printer cartridges are recycled through Recycling Avenue, a nonprofit serving adults with developmental disabilities. We also offer drop-off recycling for rechargeable and lithium ion batteries, as well as compact fluorescent (CFL) and fluorescent tube lights.

Residents have many options when it comes to recycling! For more information, visit www.hoffmanestates.org/recycling.

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Growing to Greenness!

Electronics Recycling Drop-off Program resumes

April through November only; closed during severe weather

Electronic items are banned from Illinois landfills. To assist residents with collecting old electronics and to ensure environmentally safe recycling of these materials, the Village, in cooperation with the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC), is resuming its weekly drop-off collection program starting **Monday, April 5**. There is no charge to residents for this service, but all recycling must come from households.

Village Hall (follow the signs)
1900 Hassell Road
Mondays: 10 a.m.-noon

Only a specific list of acceptable items will be allowed to be dropped off. Visit www.swancc.org for a full list of acceptable items.



Residents from all SWANCC communities are eligible to participate and IDs will be checked. Do not drop off electronics outside of the posted dates and times. Electronics from businesses, churches or schools will not be accepted. Remove electronics from plastic packaging and boxes prior to dropping them off. Thank you for your cooperation!

For more information about recycling and waste collection, visit www.hoffmanestates.org/garbage.

Historian's notebook

As part of their plan to build not just homes but a community, F&S Construction broke ground on a movie theater on Nov. 11, 1965. They named it the Thunderbird. I don't know who chose the name, but it was a memorable one.

I received a photo and caption of the groundbreaking from Schaumburg Township District Library historian Jane Rozek. Pictured were F&S Construction's Jack Hoffman and Robert Haag, as well as Mayor Roy Jenkins and Duncan Kennedy, president of Kennedy Theaters, Inc. I noticed that you could see the National grocery store, located at the northwest corner of the Golf Rose Shopping Center, in the background of the photo. The Thunderbird was at the south end of the shopping center facing north.

It opened on Oct. 21, 1966, with seating for 1,200 moviegoers. I recall how large and beautiful the lobby was. It had only one 60-foot screen with six-track sound that was available back then. It wasn't

until 1977, when the original theater was split in half, that it changed its name to Century. As time went on, the screens were split again, and the Century became a four-screen theater.

Two of my sons and a neighbor worked at the theater when they were in high school. It was the perfect job for young people. They talked about how small the projection booth was, but how the projectionist had a cozy chair for a long day's work. If the film snapped, he had to be available to fix it. He also had to change reels in order to smoothly continue the movie without any interruptions.

Those "kids," now getting to be older adults, told me stories about the barter system they had with Naugles, a Mexican restaurant on Roselle Road where the new McDonald's is today. They'd get a free meal and give the Naugles staff passes to see the late show. The managers of the Century and Woodfield theaters always offered free passes to one

another's staff. Popcorn was the other story from the "kids" – the smell of it was so enticing when you entered the lobby, that you just had to buy a large popcorn with extra butter (and maybe a small one for each of the kids). That was the item that brought in the most profit. A huge bag of popcorn seed was cheap to buy, but it was a big money maker for the movie theater.

We'd buy our candy at Snyder Drugs, which was right next door. It was a better buy. I loved my Chuckles and chocolate nonpareils. What were your favorites? Many are no longer available.

Sadly, the Century movie theater closed in November 1986. The building is still there – it was once a Harlem Furniture and now it's the Royal Buffet. Take a look at the east side of the building and you can see that it was once a movie theater.

Email Pat Barch at eagle2064@comcast.net.

Fair housing awareness

The Village of Hoffman Estates abides by the Fair Housing Act and upholds the right to equal opportunity and non-discriminatory housing practices. If you would like to learn more about fair housing practices, visit the Village's fair housing page at www.hoffmanestates.org/fairhousing.

The federal Fair Housing Act (Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968) prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental and financing of dwellings, and in other housing-related transactions, including:

- Refusing to rent, sell or negotiate for housing or show a property
- Setting different terms for the lease or sale of a property
- Denying a mortgage loan or changing the terms of a mortgage

If you or someone you know may have encountered housing discrimination, complaints and inquiries may be made directly to a counselor at the Illinois Department of Human Rights at 312-814-6229 or online at www.illinois.gov/dhr.



Spring branch pickup begins April 19

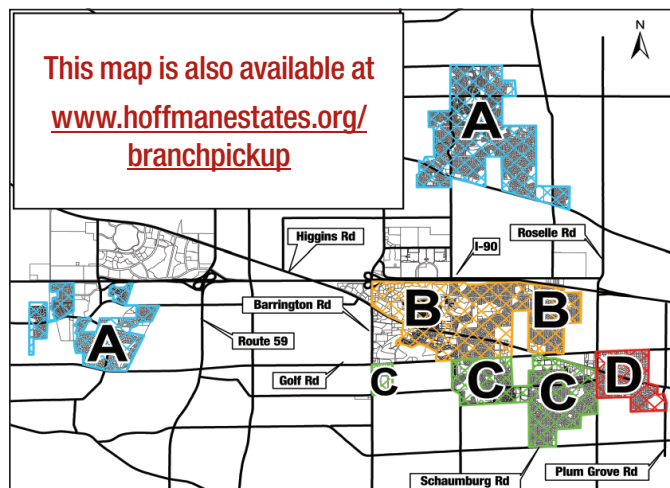
Hoffman Estates' free curbside spring tree branch pickup program begins on Monday, April 19. This program is for residents covered by the Village refuse collection contract.

Only one collection pass will be made for each street. Please do not ask for exceptions.

If branches are too large, are mixed with unacceptable materials or have not been prepared properly, they will **not** be picked up.

Branch pickup schedule:

- A. Beginning April 19:** All streets north of the Tollway (I-90). All streets west of Route 59.
- B. Beginning April 26:** All streets within the boundaries north of Golf Road, south of the Tollway, east of Barrington Road and west of Roselle Road.
- C. Beginning May 3:** All streets within the boundaries north of Schaumburg Road, south of Golf Road, east of Barrington Road and west of Roselle Road.
- D. Beginning May 10:** All streets within the boundaries north of Schaumburg Road, south of Golf Road, east of Roselle Road and west of Plum Grove Road.



On the first date of pickup listed for your area, neatly stack branches at curbside by 7 a.m. Face the cut ends toward the street. Do not tie branches in bundles or place in any container. Do not allow branches to protrude into the street or block sidewalks.

While supplies last, free woodchips will be available to residents at the Village's fleet maintenance facility, 2405 Pembroke Ave., during daylight hours **after 3 p.m.**, Monday through Friday, and during daylight hours on weekends. Please bring your own containers.

If you have any questions or are interested in free large truckload deliveries of wood chips, call Public Works at 847-490-6800.



A message from Mayor McLeod

I was privileged to be a part of a special ceremony at AMITA Health St. Alexius Medical Center on March 1 to honor the lives of the individuals who have been lost to COVID-19, and to recognize the families and loved ones they left behind.

The private, socially distanced event, held in the hospital chapel, was attended by several dignitaries, including Mayor Rodney Craig from Hanover Park and Cook County Commissioner Kevin B. Morrison (15th District). I was fortunate and humbled to read a statement from U.S. Rep. Raja Krishnamoorthi during the ceremony. Several front-line hospital staff, including Chief Medical Officer Michael Handler and the foremost infectious disease expert for the hospital, Dr. Lynwood Jones, were also in attendance. Polly Davenport, president of St. Alexius, and her staff were instrumental in pulling this effort together.



The significance of this event is not lost on me, our elected officials or the Hoffman Estates community. In January 2020, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) officials announced that a patient with the second confirmed case of COVID-19 in the United States was being treated at AMITA Health St. Alexius Medical Center. Shortly after, the second Illinois case, the first human-to-human transmission identified in the nation, was also announced at our local hospital.

Thank you to Kristin Urquiza, community activist and founder of Marked by COVID, for her avid support of this effort and for bringing attention to the individuals affected by this tragic pandemic. The first Monday in March will always be known as COVID-19 Memorial Day in the Village of Hoffman Estates.

Do you have a question for me? Call me at 847-781-2404 or send me an email at bill.mcleod@hoffmanestates.org.

Bill McLeod



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Community briefs

Coffee with the Board

The next Coffee with the Board is scheduled for Saturday, April 17, 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 state of Illinois' social distancing and face covering requirements.

No-fee garage sale permits required

Residents must obtain a free permit to hold a garage sale. The permit can be obtained by emailing garagesales@hoffmanestates.org or by visiting the Village Hall with the dates and address of the proposed sale. Garage sales are only allowed to take place on Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, and a sale may not span more than four consecutive days. A maximum of three garage sales are allowed per address each calendar year and must take place within the hours of 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. If a garage sale is conducted without a permit, a \$10 "on site" permit fee will be assessed. For more information, call 847-781-2631 or visit www.hoffmanestates.org/garagesales.



Spring hydrant flushing begins soon

Annual hydrant flushing is scheduled to begin the week of March 29 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. This is a six-week program. Watch for signs advising of the exact days for your neighborhood. Hydrants are flushed to circulate fresh water. Tap water may be discolored in your immediate area during flushing. Remove faucet screens and run water through a bathtub faucet for a few minutes to make sure it is clear before using. Also, be sure to check the water before washing clothes, as sediment may stain clothes. Most municipal water systems perform annual hydrant flushing to ensure delivery of the best water quality.



Newest apparatus in firefighting arsenal makes its debut

The Hoffman Estates Fire Department will soon place in service a 2020 Pierce Ascendant 100' Heavy-Duty Aerial Tower. The apparatus arrived in February and went through its final inspections by the department apparatus committee. Members received training throughout the first two weeks of March, and it will be put in service as Tower 22 in April. Tower 22 will respond as the first-line aerial apparatus on all structure fires, automatic fire alarms and extractions throughout the Village, as well as out-of-town mutual aid responses. Look for Tower 22, the pride of the fleet, proudly stationed at Fire Station 22, 1700 Moon Lake Blvd.



Building permits online

The Code Enforcement Division is committed to providing a healthy, safe and professional environment for all Hoffman Estates residents, businesses and employees. Spring can be the perfect time to get started on improvement projects, and many of these projects require a building permit. As a result of COVID-19, the Village has made the permitting process simpler by accepting permit applications online. This change allows for a hands-free drop-off and makes the submittal more efficient. The Village has also initiated several new procedures since the onset of the pandemic in order to keep visitors and staff healthy, such as social distancing measures at all points of interaction, and frequent cleaning and disinfecting of Village facilities. For more information, visit www.hoffmanestates.org/permits or call 847-781-2631.

Yard waste collection resumes April 5

Residents are reminded that grass clippings, plant material and leaves must be placed in brown paper yard waste bags. Bags cannot exceed 45 pounds, and a yard waste disposal sticker must be affixed to each bag. Yard waste stickers are available at the Village Hall, local stores, and online at both www.groot.com and www.hoffmanestates.org/yardwaste. An annual subscription for unlimited yard waste pickup is also available through Groot by calling 800-244-1977.

File a fraud police report online

If you have been a victim of a common unemployment fraud scam, the Hoffman Estates Police Department is now giving you the opportunity to report these crimes online. Visit www.hoffmanestates.org/fraud to file a police report. You will be asked to fill out some basic information, and an officer will contact you once the report is completed. This website also has valuable information on the next steps you need to take and what you can do to help protect your identity. As always, you still have the option to call 911 or come into the police station to make a report.

Reminder: reserve your garden plot

Beginning Monday, April 5, residents may rent plots in the community gardens for \$25. To reserve a garden plot, call 847-490-6800 or email publicworks@hoffmanestates.org beginning April 5 at 8:30 a.m.

Welcome new businesses!

A Shear Delight, Inc.

977 N. Roselle Road, #8

Commemorative Cremation Urns, LLC

2200 Stonington Ave., #150

Edward D. Jones & Co., LP

2800 W. Higgins Road, #850

Merry Hair Salon, Inc.

977 N. Roselle Road, #18

Mirkwood Salon, LLC

977 N. Roselle Road, #10

The Next Unicorn

2000 Center Drive West, #C216

Stairway Insurance Agency, LLC

2500 W. Higgins Road, #1140

T-Mobile

4630 Hoffman Blvd.



Yosae Musul, LLC

1612 W. Algonquin Road

Zee's Smoke Shop

1007 W. Golf Road

Healthy body, healthy mind ...

news from Health and Human Services

The safety of the Hoffman Estates community is important to the Health and Human Services Department. The Village is monitoring the COVID-19 pandemic closely and will continue to update guidance based on current recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the World Health Organization (WHO). For additional updates, visit www.hoffmanestates.org/coronavirus. If you have questions about vaccines, services or resources, call 847-781-4850.

Adult services and immunizations

Health and Human Services offers health screenings and preventative tests.

- Blood pressure and pulse check: free!
- Diabetes (blood sugar): \$2
- Hemoglobin (anemia): \$3

To schedule health screenings, preventative tests, or affordable vaccines and tuberculosis testing, call 847-781-4850.

Cholesterol screening

This FASTING test measures total cholesterol, HDL, LDL, triglycerides and glucose levels. It requires a small drop of blood. Results are immediate and include consultation with a nurse. To schedule an appointment, call 847-781-4850. The cost is \$22.

Hemoglobin A1C screening

The hemoglobin A1C test is a simple finger stick to find out if you have diabetes or are at risk of developing diabetes. The test takes six minutes and the cost is \$15. To schedule an appointment, call 847-781-4850.

Children's clinics

Health and Human Services currently hosts baby and children's vaccination clinics. These clinics have always used exceptional infection control policies, but they now institute additional guidelines, as suggested by the 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.

Health and Human Services is offering **individual appointment times** for each child. The following precautions are also in place:

- 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 is happy to provide this important service to the community and asks that you please do not hesitate to call with any questions at 847-781-4850. Information about these clinics is also posted online at www.hoffmanestates.org/hhs.

To request an appointment, complete the two online forms and email them, along with your immunization records, to hhs@hoffmanestates.org.

Emergency assistance programs

Health and Human Services is a volunteer service extension site for the Salvation Army program and, as such, provides Salvation Army emergency assistance to Hoffman Estates residents in need. This fund provides limited financial support to families who may be experiencing an unexpected emergency, such as insufficient funds for rent or past due utility bills. With the COVID-19 pandemic, assistance applications are offered for those who have been impacted by the virus and are experiencing a financial hardship. Staff will meet with each client for approximately 45 minutes to assess the need for additional services and to provide referrals. To learn more about program requirements or to request an application, call 847-781-4850.



Hoffman Estates Lending Closet

Health and Human Services loans medical equipment to Hoffman Estates residents, such as wheelchairs, walkers, canes, crutches and knee scooters. For a small fee, residents can have the equipment on loan for up to eight weeks. The rental fee is nonrefundable. For more information and to reserve equipment, call at 847-781-4850.



By Bev Romanoff
Hoffman Estates Village Clerk

Clerk's corner

All solicitors who are approved by the Village MUST be wearing a Village-issued ID badge and have a blue-and-white license. Solicitors are NOT allowed to approach a home that displays a "No Solicitors Invited" sticker. Stickers are available for free at the Village Hall. The Village allows solicitation from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday. Nonprofits are the only groups that can solicit on Sunday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. If you experience an unlicensed or overaggressive solicitor, dial 911.

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

RECYCLING GUIDELINES

YES!

Clean & Empty

Replace lids & caps



METAL

Steel & Aluminum Containers and Foil



PAPER

Cardboard (flattened),
Office Paper, Newspaper, Magazines



GLASS

Containers: Bottles & Jars Only



PLASTIC

Containers: Bottles, Tub, Jugs,
and Jars Only



CARTONS

May be acceptable in some
programs, check with
local authority.

NO!

Put material in loose - Not in Bags



No Plastic Bags
No Plastic Wrap
(return clean to retailer)



No Big Items (Electronics, Wood,
Propane Tanks, Scrap Metal or Styrofoam –
check local authority for other options)



No Tanglers (Hangers, Hoses,
Wire, Cords, Ropes or Chains)



No Clothing
Textiles or Shoes (donate)



**No Food, Liquid, Diapers,
Batteries or Needles**



No Shredded Paper
(check with local authority
for other recycling options)

These Guidelines represent the common items accepted in most recycling programs in Illinois.
For greater detail on specific items or programmatic variations, reach out to your local authority.

For more detail, see the IEPA online resource at
<https://www2.illinois.gov/epa/topics/waste-management/Pages/recycling.aspx>



April calendar



Due to precautions related to COVID-19, most non-essential Village meetings, events and tours remain canceled. For up-to-date information, visit www.hoffmanestates.org/calendar.

*Sunday, April 4

- Veteran's Flag 28: Austin L. Utterback Jr., Army, Korea

Monday, April 5

- Electronics Recycling Drop-off Program Resumes
- Yard Waste Collection Resumes
- Reserve a Garden Plot, 8:30 a.m.
- Village Board Meeting, 7 p.m. at VH

Tuesday, April 6

- Fire and Police Commission, 6 p.m. at PD
- Sustainability Commission, 6 p.m. at VH

Wednesday, April 7

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

Thursday, April 8

- Fourth of July Commission, 4 p.m. at VH

*Sunday, April 11

- Veteran's Flag 29: James Wheeler Uhlenbrauck, Army, Vietnam

Monday, April 12

- Standing Committee Meetings, 7 p.m. at VH

Tuesday, April 13

- Historical Sites Commission, 3 p.m. at VH
- Celtic Fest Commission, 4 p.m. at VH
- Cultural Awareness Commission, 7:15 p.m. at VH

Thursday, April 15

- Youth Commission, 6:30 p.m. at VH

Friday, April 16

- Autism Spectrum Disorder Workshop, 7-8:30 p.m. via Zoom

Saturday, April 17

- Coffee with the Board, 10 a.m. at VH

*Sunday, April 18

- Veteran's Flag 30: Edward Green, Army, Korea

Monday, April 19

- Spring Branch Pickup Begins
- Platzkonzert Commission, 4 p.m. at VH
- Village Board Meeting, 7 p.m. at VH

Tuesday, April 20

- Sister Cities Commission, 7 p.m. at VH

Wednesday, April 21

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

Thursday, April 22

- Earth Day

*Sunday, April 25

- Veteran's Flag 31: Frank J. Benham, Army, WWII

Monday, April 26

- Standing Committee Meetings, 7 p.m. at VH

Tuesday, April 27

- Arts Commission, 7 p.m. at VH

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

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.

National Autism Awareness Month

April is recognized as National Autism Awareness Month, which celebrates, creates awareness and advocates for those who have been diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder (ASD). ASD is characterized by challenges with social skills, speech and nonverbal communication, as well as repetitive behaviors.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), approximately 1 in 54 children in the United States are diagnosed with ASD. Moreover, boys are four times more likely to be diagnosed with autism than girls.



Autism is a lifelong condition, and it can present challenges in adulthood in the home, at work, and with establishing and maintaining relationships. Extensive research has been conducted to explore the cause of autism, with no single source being identified as leading to its development. Rather, risk factors have been identified as increasing the likelihood of autism, including children born to older parents, pregnancy and birth complications, and genetic changes. Those with ASD have been shown to do the best with early intervention and applied behavior analysis (ABA), an evidence-based therapy. A function of ABA is teaching social skills that govern social interactions, which can be done through a social skills group.

In celebration of National Autism Awareness Month, Health and Human Services is proud to present an interactive virtual workshop for adults (18+) with ASD, emphasizing the exploration of social and emotional skills. Join us on Friday, April 16, from 7-8:30 p.m. via Zoom. RSVP no later than April 13, and a Zoom link will be sent to you.

For more information, to register or to request accommodations, call Taylor Brust at 847-781-4852.

*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 c/o 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.

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www.hoffmanestates.org



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Fire Administration847-843-4825
Public Works847-490-6800
Health and
Human Services.847-781-4850
Event Hotline847-252-5443

Village officials

Mayor

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

Eric Palm

Municipal facilities

Facility hours may be affected by COVID-19. Visit our website for online services.

Village Hall

1900 Hassell Road

Hours:

Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.

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.

Hours:

Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

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New videos promote businesses, economic development in Hoffman Estates

A lot has been happening in Hoffman Estates during the pandemic, and the Village's Economic Development, Tourism and Cable TV departments want to tell you all about it!

The Village's YouTube channel now hosts two unique video series. Watch online at www.youtube.com/hoffmanestatesil.

Hoffman Highlights is a new series showcasing businesses that you may not know too well, including hotels, restaurants, recreation and entertainment venues, retailers, and many others who call Hoffman Estates home. The Village wants to help spread the word about these gems in the community and encourage residents to visit and support them in a safe and socially distanced way. The first video, featuring Dick Pond Athletics, Crank Revolution Bike Shop and the

Willow Recreation Center of the Hoffman Estates Park District, is out now, and it provides some great tips on how to get ready to leave your house, reemerge from the winter thaw and get moving!

Another monthly video series designed to keep residents and businesses informed about development activity in town features Economic Development Director Kevin Kramer showcasing projects currently or soon-to-be underway. Bell Works in the former AT&T campus, the new 7-Eleven gas station on Higgins Road, the outlot buildings in Hoffman Plaza (with a Dairy Queen coming this summer), and a new Popeyes along Golf Road by Roselle Road are just a few of the projects being featured. Don't miss these videos to stay up to date on what is being built behind that construction fence on the corner.



Economic Development Director Kevin Kramer highlights a new Dairy Queen in Hoffman Plaza, which will open in the summer of 2021.

