



# UNIVERSITY PARK NEWS

*Winner of the Hometown Hero Award*



Mayor Joseph E. Roudez III urges residents to sign up for the TAP program

## **Mayor Roudez Urges Residents to Join Aqua's Lead Testing and Prevention Program**

As your Mayor, my foremost commitment is to ensure that we have access to high-quality water. We will actively work to meet and exceed the standards set by state and federal laws, following the guidelines of the EPA and IEPA. This is just the beginning of our efforts toward improving our water service. Many of us recognize the challenges we've faced with our current water provider, which has imposed high rates and raised concerns about quality. I firmly believe that, just like oil, water is a vital resource that deserves our attention and care. I invite your support in advocating for a new water infrastructure that our village can manage.

By bringing in Lake Michigan water, we can take significant steps toward ensuring a reliable and sustainable water source. While this process will take time and involve careful planning, I am dedicated to working with all stakeholders to make it a reality. Together, we can establish clear goals and timelines for achieving a water service that meets our community's needs. We will hold Aqua Water to the highest standards and make sure that our current provider is held accountable for the quality of service we deserve. Let's work together to secure the quality water our community needs for a better future.

**URGENT**

### **SIGN UP FOR TAP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**

Aqua will be contacting all residents eligible for the University Park Technical Assistance Program. The program operates on a first-come, first-serve basis for residential customers living in the customer resources area. The TAP runs for one year. Funding is capped.

To find more information at [WaterFactsIL.com](http://WaterFactsIL.com). To participate, residents must sign up by March 7, 2025. Eligible residential customers must sign-up for the TAP by the deadline of March 7, 2025, by returning a fully executed participation agreement to Aqua.

University Park TAP Program  
Scan this QR code to access



[bit.ly/UPTAPPROGRAM](https://bit.ly/UPTAPPROGRAM)



# Mayor Roudez Urges Residents to Participate in the Technical Assistance Program (TAP)

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Mayor Joseph E. Roudez Aqua Water Technical Assistance Program Message

WUPC-TV Channel 4 University Park, Illinois

I invite all residents to participate in the TAP (Technical Assistance Program). This initiative is of great importance and presents a valuable opportunity for our community. For additional information and instructions on how to get involved, please scan the available QR codes. Your participation would be greatly appreciated and can make a meaningful impact on our community. Thank you for considering this opportunity to engage and contribute.

Scan Here for TAP Program



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Scan Here for Aqua Water



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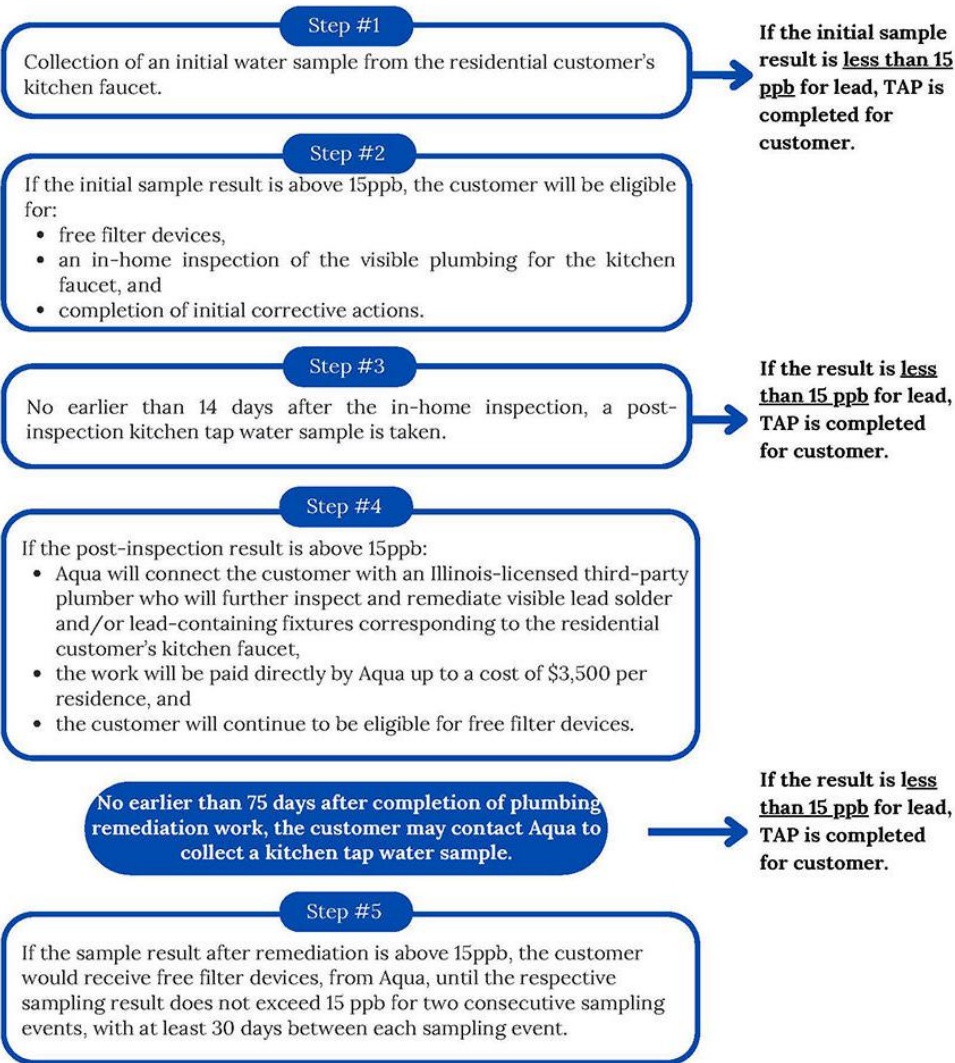
Scan here to apply



The University Park Water Relief Program Application

## TAP STEPS

Residents in the Customer Resources Area who sign up for the program by March 7, 2025 are eligible to receive these FREE services:



The TAP will continue for one year after entry of the Consent Order. Aqua is required to complete all activities under the TAP for each residential customer that is still in-progress as of the one-year termination date, to the extent funding remains available.

Information provided from Illinois Environmental Protection agency website [www.epa.illinois.gov](http://www.epa.illinois.gov)





# VILLAGE OF UNIVERSITY PARK

# Water Bill Relief Program

*Application Dates*

*November 1, 2024- February 1, 2025*

## **APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

- Must be a University Park Resident
- 1 application per household
- Proof of Residency (government-issued ID required)
- A current copy of Aqua Water Bill

## **RELIEF PROGRAM OPTIONS:**

- \$500.00 relief provided to residents with disconnected accounts
- Assistance is available for residents to cover **the past-due balance only** on Aqua water bill accounts (up to \$400.00)
- Assistance is available on a first-come-first-serve basis
- Payment assistance will be paid directly to Aqua Water

**Village of University Park**  
**44 Town Center**  
**University Park, IL**  
**Phone: 708-534-6451**  
**Contact Shirley Bolding ext. 120**



Water Relief  
Program Application

**Applications are accepted at:**

- Village Hall
- Village Hall Drop Box
- Email [sbolding@university-park-il.com](mailto:sbolding@university-park-il.com)

**FOR MORE INFORMATION LOG ON TO OUR WEBSITE  
FOR THE APPLICATION AT [WWW.UNIVERSITY-PARK-IL.COM](http://WWW.UNIVERSITY-PARK-IL.COM)**



# Leading the Way: Updates from the Mayor Roudez



Attention All Residents,

I am thrilled to announce the establishment of the Park District, a landmark achievement made possible by an overwhelming vote in this historic election. This moment marks a significant milestone as the Village of University Park proudly creates its first-ever Park District.

As your Mayor, I made it a priority to place this referendum on the ballot to ensure that the voices of our residents were heard. Thank you to everyone who participated in this important process. I understand that change can be challenging for some, but it is essential for the growth and development of our community.

I ask for your support in transforming our community from the Flintstones era to the Jetsons era, ensuring that no one is left behind. By investing in our future, we can uplift individuals with disabilities, provide vital support to our seniors and youth, honor our veterans, and greatly improve the overall quality of life for all. As we move forward together, I eagerly welcome your feedback through surveys and suggestions, as your voice is essential in shaping our shared vision for a brighter tomorrow



Veteran's Day Ceremony 2024

Sincerely,  
Joseph E. Roudez III

**SCAN THE QR CODE TO GO TO OUR WEBSITE TO SUBSCRIBE TO VILLAGE NOTIFICATIONS  
NOTIFICATIONS GO STRAIGHT TO YOUR EMAIL. SIGN UP TODAY**



Senior Snow Removal Program



Village Communications/Announcements

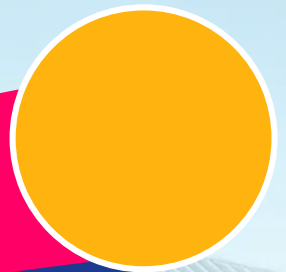


Government



**SCAN**

**ME!**



# YOUR ELECTED OFFICIALS WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU



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**University Park Internship Program**

(l-r) Village Manager Elizabeth Scott, Tamaya Hall, Layla Couch, Sinclaire Bell, Arthur McFadden III, Patrice St. Jean (not pictured)



**Trustee Theo Brooks**  
Back to School Parade 2024



**Trustee Donna Fulcher**  
Town Hall Meeting June 7, 2024

# A MESSAGE FROM TRUSTEE GINA WILLIAMS

Hello, Residents!

It's me, **Trustee Gina L. Williams**, and I've been busy lately, engaging with our community through various events and initiatives. One of my recent projects includes working on the ad campaign for the TAP (Technical Assistance Program). You'll soon see signs installed around the village to help residents learn more about the program. If you'd like more **information about TAP, feel free to reach out to me directly or call the Village Hall at 708-534-6451.**

## Grocery Summit at the 90 Town Center

I recently attended a Grocery Summit at the 90 Town Center, where several retailers and public officials, including Senator Patrick Joyce, gathered. We discussed the decline in store shoppers and the increasing cost of food, largely due to the impact of COVID-19 and economic changes. With many people switching to online shopping during the pandemic, some retailers have struggled to recover. However, there's a silver lining: foot traffic in stores is gradually returning. One grocery store owner even expressed interest in our location, making a second visit to explore the area. I had the opportunity to speak with them and emphasize the benefits of choosing our community—so stay tuned for updates!

## Illinois Commerce Commission (I.C.C.) Public Hearing

I also attended an important Illinois Commerce Commission (I.C.C.) public hearing at Olivet Nazarene University in Bourbonnais. The hearing addressed a proposed rate increase by Aqua Illinois. The I.C.C. acts as a mediator between utility companies and residents, and I joined other officials in voicing our concerns directly to Aqua Illinois and their president, David Carter. The proposed \$30 increase is unacceptable, especially considering the already high water bills, poor service, and lack of water relief. Our children continue to attend schools and libraries with taped-up water fountains, even five years later. We are still waiting for an update on the final decision. In the meantime, you can help by filing a complaint on their website or calling 1-800-524-0795.

## National Night Out

I was also present at the "National Night Out," organized by our dedicated police department administrator, Keshia Kitching. She did an outstanding job, as always, in putting together a well-organized and successful event. We had a great turnout, with various sponsors offering valuable safety information, resources, and plenty of giveaways for the community.

## Back to School Celebration

Our annual "Back to School Celebration" was another highlight. The event was a great success, and I'm grateful for the participation from the band, ROTC, and the public. Ramonski Love did a fantastic job hosting, and the kids had a blast with young rapper Star Bandz. Everyone, including myself, had a great time dancing to the DJ's music. Trustee Karen Lewis and I hosted a tent where we spent the day signing residents up for TAP, ensuring more of you have access to this valuable resource.

## Will County Healthy Lifestyle Event

Finally, I attended the Will County Community Health Fair, which was a fantastic event with an impressive turnout. We had many vendors, including Blue Cross Blue Shield (BCBS), my former employer. The fresh produce was excellent, and it was wonderful to see so many residents enjoying themselves.

That's all for now. Let's keep moving forward together and continue building a stronger community. Let's go, U.P.!



Trustee Gina Williams with Keisha Kitching at National Night Out



Trustee Gina Williams with her daughter at Trustee Lewis Breast Cancer Awareness Event



# VILLAGE OF UNIVERSITY PARK & OAI CHICAGO SOUTHLAND CELEBRATE A SUCCESSFUL HIRING EVENT!



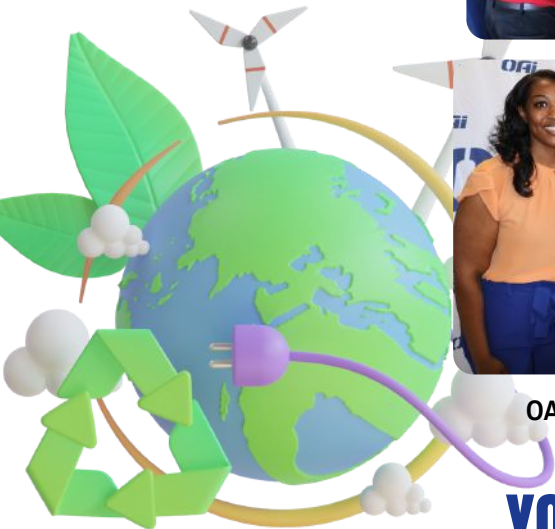
**Elizabeth Scott**

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OAI Chicago Southland Hiring Event  
September 26, 2024

The Village of University Park partnered with OAI Chicago Southland for a Hiring event on Thursday, September 26, 2024, and was very successful! A special thank you to our partner, OAI Chicago Southland, for their support. With 597 participants registered online and over 300 attending in person, the turnout exceeded expectations. Of the in-person attendees, 280 completed the job screening and lottery process. We were honored to host the following organizations at the event: Agrati, Inc., Chicago Police Department, Community Solutions, Crestwood Rehab, CTF Illinois, Equus Workforce Solutions (The Partnership's Healthcare Sector Center), FedEx Ground, Good Shepherd Center, GSU Legal Clinic, Illinois Department of Employment Security, Ma3healthcare Solutions, Midwest Security Forces, National Tube Supply, OAI, Inc., Prairie State College, RHM Staffing Solutions, Village of University Park, Village of University Park Golf Course, YWCA Chicago. We appreciate everyone's participation and look forward to more successful events in the future!



## YOUR COMMUNITY'S FUTURE IS GREEN

Advancing Green Initiatives and Technology for Community Growth



Village Manager Elizabeth Scott speaks at Your Community's Future is Green

Hazel Crest, IL – July 31, 2024 – Village Manager and community leader Elizabeth Scott was a guest speaker at the "Your Community's Future is Green" Economic Development event, alongside leaders from the Village of Park Forest, Chicago Southland, and the Regional Development Company. The discussions focused on EV readiness initiatives, green energy programs, and upcoming expansions in drone delivery across the Chicagoland area, supported by the SBA 504 loan program.



**QuikTrip**

**5533 University Pkwy  
University Park, IL 60484  
708-627-6320**

**Open 24 hours**



(pictured l-r)

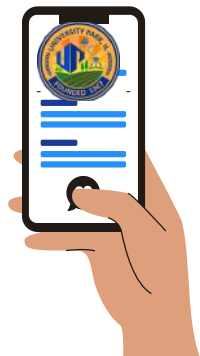
**Mayor Roudez, Village Manager Elizabeth Scott, Senator Patrick Joyce, David Clay II Environmental Justice Policy and Government Affairs Specialist**



**Mayor Joseph E. Roudez III with Veterans Committee Chair Tim Robinson at the Motown Classic & Custom Car Show**

**For an appointment with Mayor Joseph E. Roudez III Contact**

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# WELCOME QUICKTRIP



## A Warm Welcome!

**University Park, IL** – The Village of University Park is excited to announce the grand opening of QuikTrip. The ribbon-cutting ceremony occurred on Thursday, July 18, 2024, at 10:00 AM. QuikTrip is located at 5533 University Parkway, University Park, IL 60484.

Located at the entry point of the Village of University Park, QuikTrip provides a convenient stop for commuters, residents, and travelers passing through. This state-of-the-art facility is designed to meet the evolving needs of our community, offering more than just fuel. The station is designed with customer safety and accessibility in mind. We offer well-lit fueling areas, 24/7 surveillance, and easily accessible pumps.

“For over six decades, people have looked to QuikTrip for an on-the-go snack or sandwich. This store offers a full-service kitchen with fresh, made-to-order snacks and fresh food delivered daily through bakeries and commissaries.”

“We are thrilled that QuikTrip will serve the Village of University Park,” said Mayor Joseph E. Roudez III. “Our goal is to provide a convenient, safe, and welcoming environment for all our residents.”

Dear Valued Residents,

We are pleased to announce the successful opening of QuikTrip, which is anticipated to become the most productive QuikTrip location in Illinois. This development is poised to significantly contribute to our local economy by enhancing the restaurant and retail sectors, facilitating a more efficient circulation of financial resources within our community.

In our efforts to address the challenges posed by rising expenses, we are actively engaging in discussions with various businesses. Our objective is to promote economic empowerment, which will ultimately support initiatives aimed at reducing property taxes and providing beneficial rebates for our residents. Economic development is a vital component of our community’s growth strategy, and we remain committed to building a solid foundation for future prosperity. We can foster a thriving and resilient community through collaboration and strategic engagement.

Mayor Joseph E. Roudez III & The Board of Trustees, Village Manager Elizabeth Scott, with The Village of University Park would like to thank our partners Will County Executive Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant, Will County Health Department & Community Health Center, HealthChoice Illinois Department of Health Care & Family Services & BlueCross & BlueShield of Illinois for supporting the Village of University Park by providing fresh produce, information & services. Thank you, Garland Mays, Community Engagement Coordinator for the Will County Executive & Robert E.F. Dutton Health Equity Manager for The Will County Health Department for bringing this project to our community.

Special Thanks to The Illinois Department of DCFS Children & Family Bloom Township Senior Services, H.E.A.L. Pantry, Healing Steps Counseling, Will County Center for Community Concerns Inc., Senior Services of Will County, Childcare Resource & Referral, Oak Street Health, CapTel Captioned Telephone, Crete Monee School District 201-U, and T Castro Produce for participating at this event.



**Will County Healthy Lifestyle Event- August 29, 2024**  
 (l-r) T Castro Produce, CM201-U Superintendent Dr. Kara Coglianese, Village Manager Elizabeth Scott, Mayor Joseph E. Roudez III, Jasmy Lilly, Will County Executive Jennifer Bertino Tarrant, Trustee Gina Williams, Garland Mays, Trustee Karen Lewis, Corina Posada

Mayor Joseph E. Roudez III with Will County Executive Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant



Mr. Williams commits countless hours to learning about horticulture, from soil composition and pest management to sustainable practices and native plant species. His dedication doesn't stop there, he also volunteers his time to share this knowledge. Mr. Williams attends workshops, community gardens, and hands-on projects, he educates others, and he has assisted the Village of University Park Community Cares in growing food and beautifying our surroundings. This role requires patience, passion, and perseverance, he has dedicated himself to this craft to truly make our community bloom. Thank you, Mr. Williams.



# University Park Lions

by Bridgette R. Simmons



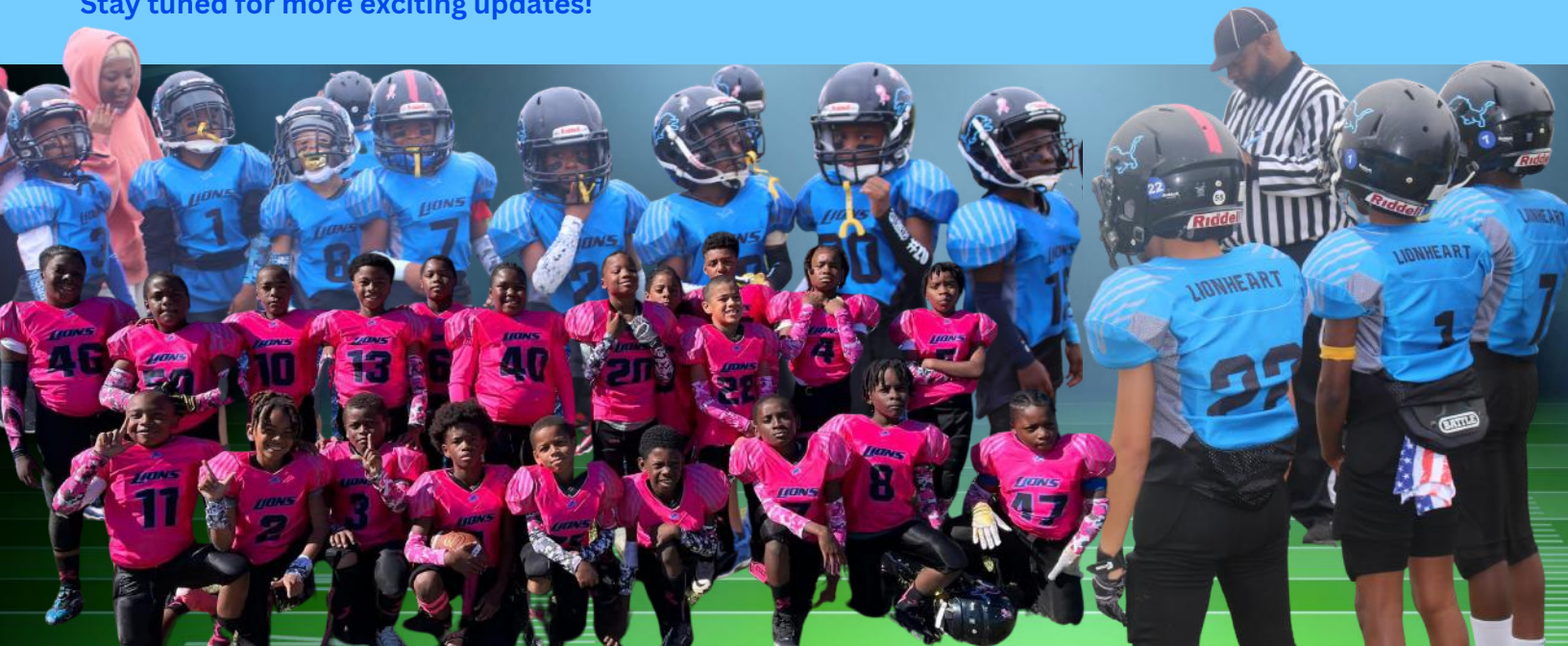
The University Park Lions football and cheer program has proudly kicked off its 48th season with a series of exciting events and celebrations that bring the community together. From participating in the Back-to-School Parade to celebrating homecoming in style, the Lions have been active both on and off the field.

This year also marked the 14th annual Lions Alumni game, a cherished tradition that reunites past players and supporters of the program.

In addition to the thrills of game day, the Lions showed their commitment to raising awareness for important causes, hosting the annual Pink Out Game in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Fans and players alike wore pink to show their support, making this meaningful event a season highlight.

Led by President Donzell “Coach Tutu” Franklin and a dedicated team of coaches and volunteers—many of whom grew up in University Park and once participated in the program themselves—the Lions remain focused on providing a safe, competitive environment for the youth. Their goal is not just about winning games, but about giving young athletes the opportunity to stay positively active and engaged within their community.

As the season progresses, the Lions are looking forward to more victories, both on and off the field. Stay tuned for more exciting updates!



# University Park Lions Reaching New Heights



Congratulations to Derrin Couch for being selected as the Daily Southtown Player of the Week



## University Park Lady Lions

By Bridgette Simmons



**Joshua Franklin**

Western Michigan University - #21 Defensive Back



**Lynell Billups**

Miami University (Ohio) - #82 Wide Receiver



**Jayden Bossie**

Central State University - #27 Running Back



The University Park Lady Lions dominated the Battle of the Crown cheer competition with their fierce and confident routines. Across all cheer levels, they showcased strong and dazzling performances that landed them top spots in their respective age categories.

Special congratulations to the 8U cheer level for securing the 3rd place, and to both the 12U and 14U cheer levels for achieving the 2nd place. This successful outcome marked an incredible conclusion to a fantastic cheer season for the Lady Lions. Cheers to their hard work and dedication!



# REVITALIZED VETERANS MEMORIAL WALL

By: Randal Stephens | Operations and Grants Administrator



The latest series of Veteran's Memorial Wall improvements has been completed. Semper Fi Land Services was selected to complete the installation of a Veteran's Memorial Garden surrounding the Veteran's Memorial Wall. This project aimed to highlight and enhance the Memorial Wall by creating a more peaceful place for residents and visitors to pay their honor and respect in remembering the bravery and dedication of our Veteran community members. Native plantings were selected to attract butterflies and bees while also creating a landscape to better separate the wall from the roadway. We hope to continue working with the Veteran's Affairs Committee to complete additional improvements including lighting, refreshing the benches donated by Eagle Scout LeVonté Hudson, outdoor speakers for ceremonies, and others as fundraising efforts advance.



## VETERAN'S DAY



Mayor Joseph E. Roudez III with Veterans Committee Chair Tim Robinson at the Veterans Day Ceremony- November 9, 2024

On Saturday, November 9, 2024, the Veterans Committee hosted a special Veterans Day Ceremony at the University Park Golf Club to honor our veterans. Mayor Joseph E. Roudez III, along with the Board of Trustees, and Master of Ceremonies Tim Robinson, warmly welcomed the attendees. The event featured Pastor Moses B. Herring Sr. of Faith Movers Church, the Crete-Monee School District 201-U ROTC Color Guard, Jason Farquhar, Ricardo Guzman, Melissa Powell, and Takyla Lockridge, who all contributed to making the ceremony a memorable tribute to our veterans.



CM 201-U ROTC Color Guard





## Trustee Karen Lewis A 7-Year Breast Cancer Survivor Advocates for Early Detection



Breast Cancer is a challenge faced by millions, but it's also a fight that can be won—especially through early detection. **Trustee Karen Lewis** embodies resilience and hope, celebrating seven years as a breast cancer survivor. Determined to inspire others, she shares her story to emphasize the life-saving impact of early screenings.

**Trustee Lewis's journey** began with a routine mammogram that detected an abnormality, despite her having no symptoms or noticeable changes. "I didn't feel anything and had no symptoms," she recalls. "But that screening caught it early, and it changed everything." Early detection allowed her to begin treatment promptly, significantly improving her chances of recovery. Today, as a proud survivor, **Trustee Lewis** is a passionate advocate for breast cancer awareness.

She stresses the critical role of early detection in reducing death rates and encourages others to prioritize regular screenings. On October 19, 2024, Trustee Lewis led a roundtable discussion with other survivors, to spread awareness and hope.

## Trustee Janelle Mc Fadden



Hello Everyone!

I am **Janelle Denise McFadden**, **Trustee** for the Village of University Park. Some of you know me and some of you don't. I have been a resident of the Village of University Park for the past 24 years. My husband and I have raised all 3 of our kids here in University Park for the past 24 years.

During the last 3 years, I have been a Trustee for the Village of University Park and I have truly enjoyed it. It is very important to me to see University Park flourish and become economically stronger. Strong by growing businesses in our community and seeing our citizens safe. So I am now planning to run for a second term as Trustee in the Village of University Park next year!



Sergeant Scott Glowinski with Chief Mitchell encouraging residents to purchase UPPD Breast Cancer Awareness Patch Police Patch



Chief Dale Mitchell led executive-level training sessions for Police Chiefs from around the globe at the 2024 National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) National Conference, which hosted over 3,000 command-level police executives.



Officer Charles Wynn & Officer Michael Gebert were honored with the Life Saving Award by The Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police (ILACP) with Mayor Joseph E. Roudez III & Chief Dale Mitchell



Sergeant Jermaine Jones was awarded a scholarship to Northwestern University Center for Public Safety School of Staff and Command by the South Suburban Association of Chiefs of Police standing with him Mayor & Chief Dale Mitchell



Congratulations to Chief Dale Mitchell was sworn in as the Treasurer of the South Suburban Association of Chiefs of Police.



Officer Garcia with a UP resident dropping off treats for the University Park Police Department



# NATIONAL NIGHT OUT



**University Park Police Department at National Night Out 2024**  
(l-r) Chief Dale Mitchell, Sgt. Kinnan, Keisha Kitching, Ofc. Dalian Pearman, Ofc. Sherrod Ervin, Mayor Joseph E. Roudez III

## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

*By: Keisha Kitching*

National Night Out is our annual campaign for community building. This event bridges the gap between neighbors, businesses, elected officials and first responders. We laugh, enjoy food and games while learning about a wide range of safety topics. During this time parents and children see emergency response vehicles, squad cars and drug vans to raise awareness. Despite the inclement weather this year, community members still came out to support and participate in the festivities. Be sure to participate in National Night Out 2025 to engage in a fun setting with family friendly activities.



*Bonita Estelle External Affairs Manager ComEd  
with Village Manager Elizabeth Scott*

**University Park Police Department  
&  
South Suburban Association of Police Chiefs**

## SHOP with a COP

**Saturday, December 14, 2024  
8:00 AM**



We are soliciting cash or gift card donations to spread Christmas cheer to

**Village of University Park students**

School Districts will select children to Shop with a Cop.  
Shopping will be at Walmart in Country Club Hills, IL

For more information or to submit a donation contact:

**Chief Dale Mitchell**

**708-534-0912**

**[dmitchelleuniversity-park-il.com](http://dmitchelleuniversity-park-il.com)**



# UNIVERSITY PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT HONORS



Officer Michael Gebert  
Life Saving Award Recipient  
Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police

Community  
**HEROES**



Officer Michael Gebert was honored with the Life Saving Award by the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police (ILACP). The University Park Police Department proudly congratulates Officer Gebert on this well-deserved recognition.

On April 12th, 2023, at approx. 1640 hrs., Officer Mike Gebert responded to a call of a 2-year-old child hanging from a fifth-floor window at 745 Red Oak Ln. Upon arrival, Officer Gebert and assisting units observed two 2-year-old children sitting on the windowsill of an open window on the fifth floor of the apartment building with their legs hanging out the window. After requesting UPFD, Officer Gebert raced up the stairs to the fifth-floor apartment on foot, searched neighboring apartments for the responsible adult, and after finding the mother, entered the apartment and grabbed the two children who were hanging from the ledge before they fell to their deaths. The children were taken into protective custody and treated at St. James Olympia Fields Hospital. The above attentiveness to duty and willingness to exert extreme effort to possibly save lives brings credit to the Village of University Park and the University Park Police Department. For these efforts, the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police wishes to award this exceptional officer this award.



Officer Charles Wynn  
Life Saving Award Recipient  
Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police

Officer Charles Wynn was honored with the Life Saving Award by the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police (ILACP). The University Park Police Department proudly congratulates Officer Wynn on this well-deserved recognition.

On February 24th, 2023 the University Park Police Department responded to a call of an Aggravated Battery with a Handgun in the area of Burnham and Oakside. Investigator Wynn responded and upon arrival discovered a car smashed against a tree with an unresponsive subject inside. Recognizing the victim's injuries were life-threatening, Inv. Wynn provided lifesaving efforts until the UPFD Ambulance arrived and transported the victim to the hospital.

Due to the timely and tireless lifesaving efforts of the responding personnel, the victim survived and is making a steady recovery. This dedication to the preservation of life and using skills and training acquired while employed by the Village of University Park brought credit to the Village of University Park and the University Police Department. For these efforts, the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police wishes to award the Life Saving Award to these exceptional employees.



# UNIVERSITY PARK FIRE DEPARTMENT

## Fire Chief Shawn Richards



**Fire Chief Richards** joined the University Park Fire Department in December 2004 and has since held various positions, including Firefighter and Lieutenant. In March 2018, he was promoted to Deputy Fire Chief, and in February 2024, he took on the role of Acting Fire Chief.



**Clerk Dorothy Dee Jones Swearing-In  
Fire Chief Shawn Richards on July 31, 2024**

An active member of MABAS Division 27, **Fire Chief Richards** serves on the mutual aid committee and is an advisor to the Illinois Fire Chief EMS Committee. He has spearheaded several initiatives in the Village, such as the Fire Safety program for residents, restructuring of the Fire Department in 2018, managing the Code Enforcement Department, and enhancing EMS billing practices. Additionally, he plays a key role in Economic Development by facilitating the construction of new businesses in the Village. Chief Shawn Richards was sworn in as Fire Chief on July 31, 2024. **Congratulations Chief Richards on your promotion.**





# UNIVERSITY PARK FIRE DEPARTMENT



## OCTOBER IS FIRE SAFETY MONTH

IN OCTOBER, THE FIREFIGHTERS STOPPED BY ALL OF THE SCHOOLS AND DAYCARES FOR FIRE PREVENTION WEEK TO TALK TO THE STUDENTS ABOUT FIRE SAFETY IN THE HOME. THIS YEAR'S THEME IS: "SMOKE ALARMS: MAKE THEM WORK FOR YOU!" ASK ANY FIREFIGHTER ABOUT HOW TO TEST YOUR SMOKE ALARM!



### OUT AND ABOUT

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS PARTICIPATED IN MANY EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER INCLUDING NATIONAL NIGHT OUT, THE BACK TO SCHOOL CELEBRATION & PARADE, BLOCK PARTIES, AND BIRTHDAY PARADES. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN HAVING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AT YOUR EVENT PLEASE CONTACT US. WE WOULD LOVE TO VISIT!

**UNIVERSITY PARK FIRE DEPARTMENT  
698 BURNHAM DRIVE  
UNIVERSITY PARK, IL 60484  
708-235-4821**

### BACK TO SCHOOL TIPS

WITH THE KIDS RETURNING TO SCHOOL, IT IS THE PERFECT TIME FOR STUDENTS TO LEARN ABOUT CALLING 911. HAVE YOUR STUDENT PRACTICE SAYING THEIR PHONE NUMBER AND ADDRESS. WE WILL BE QUIZZING THE KIDS AT OUR SCHOOL VISITS!



THE VILLAGE OF UNIVERSITY PARK WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME FIREFIGHTER JERMEY MCKINNEY TO UNIVERSITY PARK PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 3661. WELCOME ABOARD!



### TRAINING

RECENTLY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN CONDUCTING MANY TRAININGS WITHIN THE COMMUNITY INCLUDING AT THORNWOOD HOUSE, WITHIN THE SCHOOLS, AND MANY BUSINESSES WITHIN THE INDUSTRIAL PARK. IF YOU SEE US COME AND SAY HI WE WOULD LOVE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.





# The Mayor's Office of Special Events



## University Park Lions Back to School Parade 2024

Established in 2019 by Mayor Joseph E. Roudez III, the Mayor's Office of Special Events (MOSE) is a volunteer-driven community organization that fosters unity and celebration within our village. Our mission is to harness the community's rich diversity to commemorate traditional events and provide support to those in need.

MOSE relies on the generous support of corporate and private donors, ensuring that 100% of all proceeds directly benefit our local community. Our initiatives include distributing warm winter coats, organizing pop-up food pantries, and hosting back-to-school supply giveaways. We also honor veterans, celebrate African American heritage, and recognize the significant contributions of women throughout history.

"MOSE brings the community together in a positive, educational, and family-oriented way. Whether you joined us for this year's Summer Motown Custom & Classic Car Shows, the Back to School Parade and Celebration on our winter holiday events, our volunteers will warmly welcome your family."

Thank you for your continued support.

Linda Roudez  
Chairperson, Mayor's Office of Special Events

### Chairwoman

First Lady Linda Roudez

### Second Chair

Roosevelt Martin Jr.

### Secretary

Deborah J. Stroud

### Trustee Liaison

Karen Lewis

### Ex Officio Members

Mayor Joseph E. Roudez  
Village Clerk Dee Jones  
Trustee Theaprise Brooks  
Trustee Karen L. Lewis  
Trustee Janelle D. McFadden  
Trustee Gina L. Williams  
Trustee Jewell Thompson  
Trustee Donna Fulcher  
Village Manager Elizabeth Scott



**Chairwoman  
Linda Roudez  
(708) 534-6451**

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# Village Hall Hours

Monday - Friday

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM



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AUGUST 17, 2024**



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**THANK YOU TO ALL OF  
OUR PARTICIPANTS**



**Trustee Jewell Thompson with UP  
Library Trustee Deborah Taylor  
at the Back to School Parade**

*The Mayor's Office of Special Events, Deborah J. Stroud (parade organizer) The University Park Police Department, University Park Fire Department, Will County Sheriff's Auxiliary Police Department, Sauk Village Police Department, Monee Police Department, Park Forest Police Department, Cook County Forest Preserve Police Department, Phoenix Police Department, Olympia Fields Police Department, Hometown Police Department, Our Hometown Hero & Grand Marshal Donna Dettbarn-Chambers, Mayor Joseph E. Roudez III & Board of Trustees, Village Clerk Dorothy Dee Jones, Village Treasurer Jim Ellis, Village Manager Elizabeth Scott, Monee Township, The Gloria J. Taylor Foundation, Friends of Billy Morgan, Colette Safford for Circuit Judge and State Senator Patrick Joyce, Jayla Allen. Additional participants include New Hope Christian Community Church, Re-Elect Karen Stukel for Recorder, Myles Reck Entertainer, Tuffluff Trucking LLC, Northern IL Food Bank, The Illinois Flames Track Club, The University Park Public Library & Library Trustees, First Baptist Church of UP, James Wilkinson, Crete-Monee School District 201-U/Board of Education, Beyond The Veil Kingdom Ministries, University Park Lions & Cheer, The Community Block Club of UP, CMHS NJROTC, and CMHS Marching Warriors, Chicago Corvette Road Dog Association, Girl Scout Troop #65804*



# Thorn Creek Nature Center



**THORN CREEK NATURE CENTER**  
**247 Monee Road, Park Forest, IL 60466**  
**708-747-6320**  
**thorn\_creek@att.net**

## Thorn Creek Management Commission and Appointments

After 18 years of dedicated service, **Marva King has stepped down from representing University Park** on the Thorn Creek Management Commission. Marva brought dedication, curiosity, intelligence, and a wonderful sense of humor to addressing the important issues facing the Commission. Throughout her tenure, Marva and her husband, Art, have been active members of the Friends of Thorn Creek Woods and devoted volunteers, assisting with everything from brochure assembly, cleaning the nature center, and planting garlic, to supporting various programs. As Master Gardeners, they also facilitated a partnership between the nature center and the Cook County University of Illinois Extension Service, helping maintain the Prairie Sampler at the Nature Center. Marva's joy and commitment were recognized at the Friends of Thorn Creek Woods' annual meeting last October.

On September 24, 2024 the University Park Mayor & Board of Trustees appointed Deborah Orr and Arthur L. McFadden II to represent the Village on the Thorn Creek Management Commission.

Ms. Orr, a retired engineer from the Environmental Protection Agency, has a long history of service in the Village, including roles on the Management Committee and the Library Board of Trustees, as well as her involvement with the League of Women Voters. She has a deep concern for nature and the environment. Years ago, she led the Girl Scout Troop in University Park to design and plant the garden in front of the Library. She is also a regular volunteer at the Nature Center and is well-acquainted with its mission and operations. Ms. Orr's experience in environmental issues and her commitment to the well-being of all University Park residents will greatly benefit the Village and the Commission.

Arthur Levi McFadden, III, was born and raised in University Park for the past 20 years and is now in his second year of college at University of Illinois in Champaign, Urbana majoring in Japanese. Next year, Arthur's Junior year, he is planning on studying abroad in Japan.

**The Preserve is jointly owned by University Park, Park Forest, and the Forest Preserve District of Will County.** The Management Commission, established in the 1970s, includes representatives from these landowners along with members of the Friends of Thorn Creek Woods, the citizens' group largely responsible for preserving these woods. Together, they manage the large dry-mesic oak-hickory forest, dominated by 150-year-old white and red oak trees, with a rich understory of native shrubs, rare plants, and spring wildflowers. This unified, dedicated Illinois Nature Preserve provides a habitat for native plant and animal communities. **The Management Commission meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m. at the Nature Center.**

## Thorn Creek Nature Center

**Open Hours: Friday Noon to 4 p.m.**

**Trails Open**

**Daily year-round Sunrise to Sunset**

*(Trails are natural surfaces and traverse uneven terrain.)*

Visit [tcwoods.org](http://tcwoods.org) for public program listings, information about the preserve, and details on the Friends of Thorn Creek Woods. You can also find downloads of Thorn Creek News (a quarterly newsletter), program brochures, the Nature Education Programs brochure, and volunteer opportunities. Donations and memberships can be made online via PayPal.

## ABOUT THORN CREEK WOODS

*Thorn Creek Woods is a nature preserve spanning over 1,000 acres of oak-hickory woodland, featuring vernal ponds and intersected by Thorn Creek and its tributaries. Over 3.5 miles of trails wind through woodlands, floodplain forests, scenic ravines, and pine plantations. Trails lead to marshy Owl Lake and a wetland overlook. The preserve also includes the historic Hornicek Farm, old-field habitats, and a restored Prairie Sampler.*

## NATURE CENTER

*The Thorn Creek Nature Center is located in a charming white wooden church built in the mid-1860s. The center offers exhibits on local mammals, amphibians, birds, wildflowers, fossils, and trees. Visit on Fridays from noon to 4 p.m. to enjoy hot chocolate or coffee, observe birds at the viewing window, and explore the exhibits.*

*Currently, the Nature Center is celebrating the 55th anniversary of the citizen group Friends of Thorn Creek Woods. Displays include old aerial maps of the woods, historic plat maps showing ownership patterns in and around the area, and exhibits about the trails, the 1860s-era building, and the naturalists who have guided the preserve over the years.*



# Thorn Creek Nature Center Programming

**December 2024**

## SOILS HIKE

Is all soil created equal? Come and see, smell and hear for the parts of soil. Learn how soil supports every form of life in the woods. On the hike, we will observe real samples of Thorn Creek Woods soil. Program is sponsored by Thorn Creek Audubon Society. Sunday, December 8, 1-3 p.m. Free. Ages 12-adult. Registration required by December 2, 2024.

## WINTER SURVIVAL

Come learn about the winter survival tactics of mammals, reptiles, and amphibians that call Thorn Creek home. We will explore different types of hibernation. After the hike participants will create a pine-cone creature to take home. This program is sponsored by Thorn Creek Audubon Society. Sunday, December 15, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. All ages. Free. Registration required by December 9, 2024

**JANUARY 2025**

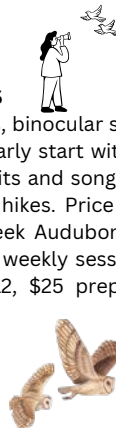
## BEGINNING BIRDING FOR KIDS

Impress your friends this spring with your birding smarts, binocular savvy and your very own life list of birds you have seen. Come get an early start with this popular hobby – bird watching. Learn key shapes, markings, habits and songs for our most common local birds with crafts, activities, sounds and hikes. Price includes your own field guide to birds. Sponsored by the Thorn Creek Audubon Society. This program will be held indoors in an accessible facility. 4 weekly sessions, Sundays, January 19 through February 9, 1-3:30 p.m. Ages 7-12, \$25 prepaid for full 4 sessions. Registration and payment by January 6, 2024.

**FEBRUARY 2025**

## HOO EATS WHOM

On a hike, learn about the different owls in Thorn Creek Woods and their unique role in the woodland web of life. Then dissect an owl pellet to examine just “hood” this forest predator preys upon. Our web of life program is sponsored by Thorn Creek Audubon Society. Saturday, February 22, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Free. All ages. Registration required by February 17, 2024.



**MICRO PANTRY**  
PICK UP & DROP OFF



Help us stock the University Park Pantry with food and essential items for families in need

Micro Pantry is located at 90 Town Center Drive

No Expired Food  
No Glass

Enclosed Plastic or Cans only

**Suggested Items**

Canned Food  
Snacks  
Cooking Oil  
Crackers  
Pasta  
Oats



Flour  
Dry Beans  
Cereal  
Condiments  
Juice/Coffee/Tea  
Powdered Milk/ Sugar

More Information or Questions Contact Village Hall at 708-534-6451

Your Donation Makes a Difference



# Monee Senior Community Café

Monee Senior Community Café is dedicated to providing a warm and welcoming environment for older adults. Our cafe offers nutritious and delicious meals from Monday through Friday, giving seniors the opportunity to enjoy good food in the company of others.

In addition to providing meals, we also organize social activities and events, creating a space where older adults can connect, share stories, and build friendships. We aim to foster a strong sense of community and support for seniors in Monee, University Park, Park Forest, Crete, Peotone, Beecher, and Steger. Visit today!



**New Hope Christian Community Church**

4700 W Court Street  
Monee, IL 60449

Site Manager: Tammie Durrett  
(815) 351-9210

11:00-1:00 PM

Monday through Friday

Cost: \$4.00 Suggested donation for diners 60+

Volunteering is a great way to make a huge impact in a short amount of time. Opportunities include: meal Delivery, call-in program for our seniors, greeting card artists, and More! For more information on volunteer opportunities call: 815-263-7587 or email: volunteer@cnnssa.org

For more information about CNNSSA and its programs, visit [www.cnnssa.org](http://www.cnnssa.org).



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# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS



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The goal of the Public Works Department is to effectively deliver quality services to enhance the living and working environment of the community as well as to maintain a reputation for reliability. Residents and businesses who advise us of maintenance needs and situations will help us do our job more effectively and efficiently. With patience and good communication between residents and the department, there is no doubt that the high standards that have been set will continue to improve for years to come.

The Public Works Department is responsible for: Street maintenance for Village-owned streets, snow and ice removal, streetlights and signs, storm sewers, tree trimming, maintenance of village fleet, buildings, and grounds. The Department also oversees various infrastructure construction projects.

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## SENIOR SNOW REMOVAL APPLICATION

## SENIOR SNOW REMOVAL PROGRAM

To qualify for the Senior Snow Removal Program, applicants must be residents of University Park aged 60 or older. Veterans, as well as disabled and handicapped residents, are especially encouraged to apply. Please note, only one application per household will be accepted. Requirements: Proof of residency (government-issued ID required) Proof of veteran status (if applicable, government-issued ID required) Program Details: Snow removal will be provided for University Park residential homes when snowfall exceeds 2 inches. Assistance is available once per month. Snow removal services cover the walkway leading to the front door, driveway, and the sidewalk directly in front of the home. Services will be provided by Greenfields Lawn Care Inc. **For more information or inquiries, please contact, Village Hall Main Line: 708-534-6451 Contact: Shirley Bolding, ext. 120 Email: [sbolding@university-park-il.com](mailto:sbolding@university-park-il.com)**





# The Village of University Park has partnered with Service Line Warranties of America

## Quick Start Guide

Service Line Warranties Program



For more information about the partnership with The Village of University Park and Service Line Warranties of America

Scan this QR code to review the entire brochure to sign up



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### Why do we recommend this program?

Many residents are not aware that buried water or sewer lines on their property are their responsibility. A broken or blocked water or sewer line can cost thousands of dollars to repair or replace and many times residents are not prepared for this unexpected expense. Service Line Warranties of America (SLWA) not only works to educate residents but also provides a solution.



### Why Did You Partner With A 3rd Party?

SLWA has been recognized as the trusted administrator of utility line repair plans endorsed by the National League of Cities (NLC). Many municipalities today are using public/private partnerships and they have been successful in keeping taxes low and providing cost-effective services to citizens. Most citizens enjoy the benefits of public/private partnerships—whether through branding at a sporting event in a village-owned facility or village parks and other entertainment venues with naming rights, public/private partnerships can sometimes provide revenue that would otherwise be borne by the citizens. Partnering with SLWA allows the Village to have oversight of the program and benefits for its constituents.



### Why Are You Using The Village/Utility Logo?

SLWA's partnership agreement with the Village allows the company to use the logos in communications to indicate that there is a formal relationship in place and to let residents know that the offering is legitimate. All of the mailings SLWA sends to residents are first reviewed and approved by the Village. All SLWA materials clearly state that the services the company offers are voluntary and that they are offered by SLWA, an independent company that is separate from the Village.



### Can't HomeServe just market on their own?

The Village brand conveys that the Village is involved, overseeing the program, and choosing a provider who will serve their residents best.



### Do residents really need this coverage?

It is difficult to determine when a pipe may fail, with key contributors being the type of piping material, age of the service pipe, soil conditions and installation quality. The median age of homes in the U.S. is 36 years, and can be much higher in various parts of the country, which means many service pipes are functioning on borrowed time. Water line repairs can be costly—a replacement averages \$2,832 nationally\*—but the cost of an optional service plan from SLWA is modest. The decision whether to purchase a plan is up to the homeowner, based on their personal circumstances.

\*Estimate based on national average repair costs, January 2023.

For more information call **SLWA at 1-844-257-8795** or go to **[www.slwofa.com](http://www.slwofa.com)**

2nd Annual  
**BLACK HISTORY SHOWCASE**

**Feb. 1st 2025, 1pm-3pm**

Let's Celebrate diversity and inclusion this February with our Black History Showcase event! We will have GSU Dance Company, Village Of Monee Youth Dance Team, G-Mar and so much more! All Ages are welcome! Tickets on sale starting Nov. 25th. You can purchase tickets at the Village of Monee Hall or [Villageofmonee.org](http://Villageofmonee.org).

**Fee: \$7 / \$5 W/Student ID**

**GSU DANCE COMPANY**



**FEATURING: G-MAR FROM 3 PIECE  
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**Save Money and Energy at Home!**

ComEd, Nicor Gas, Peoples Gas and North Shore Gas have partnered with Metropolitan Mayors Caucus to assist you with saving energy. A free Home Energy Savings assessment will help manage your energy use and reduce monthly costs. By participating in this offer, you'll get free or discounted energy-saving products, plus personalized recommendations to help you save even more.

**Free or Discounted Energy-saving Products**



**Programmable/smart thermostat**  
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 Save energy by reducing standby power wasted by your home office and entertainment systems.



**WaterSense® certified showerheads and faucet aerators**  
 Save up to 2700 gallons of water annually with efficient showerheads and up to 30% with faucet aerators, lowering water heating energy costs.



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 Install at the bottom of doors to seal the gap between the door and threshold, helping save energy by preventing air leaks.



**Pipe insulation**  
 Reduce water consumption and energy use by insulating pipes to retain warmth coming from your water heater.



To get started, email [energy@mayorscaucus.org](mailto:energy@mayorscaucus.org) or call **312-201-4507**, visit [eesavings.com/mmc](http://eesavings.com/mmc) or scan the QR code.



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MAYOR'S OFFICE OF SPECIAL EVENTS PRESENTS

*Save the Date*  
*Mother's Day*  
**BRUNCH**

**Sunday, May 11, 2025**

1:00 PM-5:00 PM  
 UNIVERSITY PARK GOLF CLUB  
 23520 CRAWFORD AVE.



**Your Community Counts**

**The County is currently seeking input for the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan.**

Projects and programs are funded when they align with needs and goals identified in the Consolidated Plan. Community input is gathered every 5 years from residents, stakeholders, and government leaders to help guide the spending of federal CDBG/HOME/ESG funding. Visit the project website to find ways to participate in the process.

**SURVEY CAN BE FOUND HERE**



[www.yourcommunitycounts.com](http://www.yourcommunitycounts.com)



# PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK PROGRAM



## THIS RECEPTACLE IS FOR PHARMACEUTICAL TAKE-BACK MATERIALS ONLY

- ✓ NO LIQUID PHARMACEUTICAL DRUGS
- ✓ NO LOOSE PHARMACEUTICALS
- ✓ NO FOOD OR OTHER WASTE
- ✓ NO LOITERING AROUND THIS CONTAINER

Citizens are strongly encouraged to bring any unused or expired prescription drugs to the **Prescription Drug Take Back Program** drop box located in the lobby of the **University Park Police Department**. Do not flush or discard used, expired or unwanted prescription drug in the toilet, garbage, sewers and drains. Prescription drugs contaminate drinking water and water tables"



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# COMMUNITY SURVEY

on

# HOUSING

in

# UNIVERSITY PARK

<https://bit.ly/UniversityParkHousingSurvey>



**The Village of University Park wants your input on housing needs, priorities, and preferences in the community.**

This survey is part of the Homes for a Changing Region housing planning program, a service provided by the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus. University Park was selected to participate in this program to identify what policies, improvements, and investments may be needed for the Village's housing market.

**We invite all who live or work in University Park to take part in this planning process by completing this survey.**



- ✓ TAKES ABOUT 10 MINUTES
- ✓ COMPLETELY ANONYMOUS
- ✓ DEADLINE: JANUARY 10, 2025





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Park Forest Post Office 123 Indianwood Blvd Park Forest, IL 60466	708-748-5471
University Park Public Library 1100 Blackhawk Dr. University Park, IL 60484	708-534-2580
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**We're closed on these 2024 Holidays**  
Residential service delayed one day for this week  
**Thanksgiving Day - Thursday, November 28, 2024**  
**Christmas Day - Thursday, December 25, 2024**

