

Support The Road Home Program & Chicago's Veterans

This June, the 19th Ward will sell t-shirts and yard signs to show support for our veterans in crisis and their families. T-shirts will be available for \$10 for children sizes and \$15 for adult; yard signs will be \$20. All proceeds will benefit the veteran's mental health services at Rush Hospital's Road Home Program. Horse Thief Hollow and Open Out-cry will both be offering specialized brews for the month. \$1 for each beer sold will be donated to the Road Home Program at Rush University Medical Center.

Throughout the month, activities will be scheduled to raise awareness about mental health in conjunction with National Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)

Awareness month. It is important to reduce the stigma associated with PTSD and help ensure those suffering receive proper treatment.

The Road Home Program provides mental health care and wellness to veterans of all eras, service members and their families at no cost regardless of discharge status.

This effort is a partnership between Alderman Matt O'Shea, the Conner T. Lowry Memorial Fund, and the Road Home Program. To purchase a t-shirt or yard sign, please visit www.the19thward.com.



Improvements Continue at Morgan Park High School

This June, construction is slated to begin on the next phase of capital improvements at Morgan Park High School. This \$5.6 million project will include a new artificial turf field, renovated running track, bleacher seating for 300, and ornamental fencing. School parking lots will also be redesigned to be brought into compliance with the City's landscape ordinance which will include improved storm water management and better lighting.

Completion is currently expected in late 2021. These improvements are part of a larger \$23 million public investment in Morgan Park High School; through that effort, the school has already received a roof replacement, new science labs, and other facility improvements. Thanks to Chicago Public Schools for continued investments in our neighborhood schools!



19th Warders Clean & Green

On Saturday, April 24th, the Beverly Area Planning Association, Alderman Matt O'Shea, and City of Chicago Department of Streets and Sanitation hosted the annual Clean & Green volunteer event. Volunteers gathered at 25 locations throughout the Beverly, Morgan

Park and Mount Greenwood communities to beautify public spaces. This year, Alderman Matt O'Shea partnered with students from Morgan Park High School project to clean up the campus. Thanks to all the great volunteers who participated!





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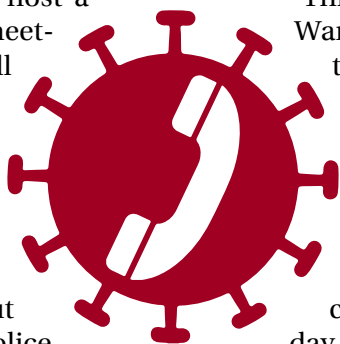
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COVID-19 Telephone Town Hall - May 25th

On Tuesday, May 25th, Alderman Matt O'Shea will host a telephone town hall meeting at 7:00pm. The call will include Dr. Jennifer Seo from the Chicago Department of Public Health to discuss the City's response to the pandemic and vaccine rollout efforts. 22nd District Police Commander Sean Joyce will also be present to address any concerns



from residents.

This call is open to all 19th Ward residents. To register, please visit www.the19thward.com. After registering for the call, expect a phone call at the number you provided during the registration process at 7:00pm on Tuesday, May 25th. For more information, please contact mattoshea@the19thward.com.

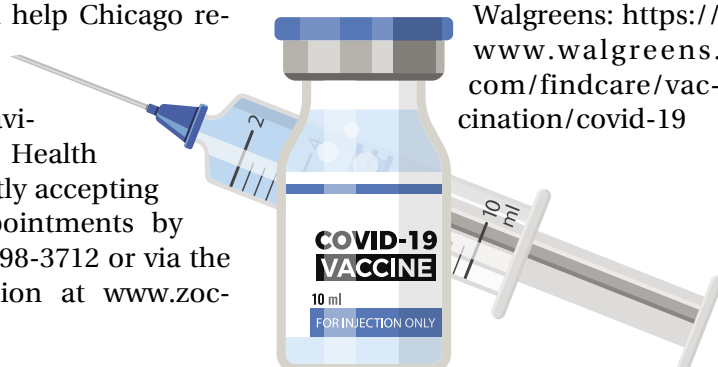
COVID-19 Vaccine Update

In partnership with Jewel-Osco and Saint Xavier University, the 19th Ward has successfully completed 5,400 vaccine doses for residents of our community. Currently, all Chicagoans are eligible for vaccination. Increased vaccination rates will help Chicago reopen as quickly as possible.

The Saint Xavier University Health Center is currently accepting vaccination appointments by phone at (773) 298-3712 or via the zocdoc application at www.zocdoc.com.

Appointments can be made online using the following links: CVS: <https://www.cvs.com/immunizations/covid-19-vaccine> Jewel / Osco: <https://www.jewelosco.com/pharmacy/covid-19.html> Meijer: <https://clinic.meijer.com>

Walgreens: <https://www.walgreens.com/findcare/vaccination/covid-19>



Throw Back Thursdays

Join the Beverly Area Planning Association and Alderman Matt O'Shea for activities, food and fun perfect for young families at Throw Back Thursdays this June! Each week will highlight a different era through music and instructor lead activities. Weather permitting, Throw Back Thursdays will take place on Thursdays in June from 5:30-7:00pm and are free.

Families are encouraged to bring chairs, blankets and bug spray. Food and beverages will be available for purchase from local food trucks. All COVID-19 guidelines will be strictly enforced; masks and hand sanitizer will be available at no cost.



On Thursday, June 3rd meet at Maggie Cosme Park (9201 S. Longwood Dr) as we celebrate the 1960's. Kids are encouraged to decorate their bikes, wagons or strollers with your favorite bright colors, flowers or peace signs – the more colorful the better. Morgan Martin from LAB Fitness will be offering a fun filled, high energy activity for the kids!



On Thursday, June 10th meet at McKiernan Park (10714 S. Sawyer Ave) to celebrate the 1970's. Kids are encouraged to decorate bikes, wagons or strollers with your best disco look. Enjoy the sounds of the 70's with our freeze dance game lead by FitCode.



On Thursday, June 17th meet at Barnard Park (10431 S. Longwood Dr) for a 1980's themed night of fun. Decorate your bike, wagon or stroller in honor of the 1985 Super Bowl Champion Chicago Bears. Don't forget your best Bears apparel to participate in our instructor lead Super Bowl Shuffle game.



On Thursday, June 24th meet at Bohn Park (1966 W. 111th St) to revisit the 1990's and celebrate the Chicago Bulls and all things MJ. Decorate your bike, wagon or stroller with a Bulls theme and wear your Bulls shirts or hats.

Throw Back Thursdays are sponsored by Alderman Matt O'Shea, Senator Bill Cunningham, State Rep. Fran Hurley, Beverly Area Planning Association, Original Rainbow Cone, Chicago Park District, and Live and Believe Fitness.



19th Ward YOUTH FOUNDATION



BLOOD DRIVE

SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 2021

8:00 AM - 1:30 PM

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Farmers Market Open Now

The 95th Street Farmers Market opened for the season on Sunday, May 2nd! The market is open from 8:00am-1:00pm each Sunday rain or shine in the commuter lot at 95th and Longwood Drive, 1835 W. 95th St. COVID-19 guidelines require all markets operate on a "Grab and Go" model meaning customers are encouraged to shop and head out. Masks are required and will be available at no cost; all patrons receive an application of hand sanitizer upon entry. Patrons are asked to access the market from the east entrance.

While on site consumption of food is not permitted, AndySunflower Café will be offering freshly brewed coffee and other beverages. Sweet Freaks will be making crepes for carry out from the market. Organizers hope to offer live entertainment and children's activities later in the season as vaccination rates increase.

The health and safety of residents is always a priority. Anyone who is not feeling well or experiencing cold or flu symptoms is asked to stay home. All patrons are asked to follow social distancing guidelines and not to touch produce; all vendors are happy to assist with any purchases.



Vendors for the 2021 95th Street Farmers Market include: Lafavor Farms and Greenhouses, Stamper Cheese Company, John Bailey Honey, Coco's Tamales, Breadman Baking Company, Piscasaw Gardens, Emmy & J's Dips, AndySunflower Café, Lizzie's Baked Goods, Noffke Family Farms, Sweet Freaks, Not Just Cookies, Urban Canopy, Down to Earth Beverly, The Smile on a Dog, Three Apples LLC and Yoberri.

Lafavor Farms and Greenhouses, Donut Foundry, and Coco's Tamales, all offer the option to place an order for pick up each Sunday. This is a great way to bypass lines. Please visit their Facebook pages for more information.

Follow the 95th Street Farmers Market Facebook page and our Instagram @95thstreetfarmersmarket for weekly updates on products offered by our vendors and updates on the market. Beverly Bank & Trust serves as the premier sponsor of the 95th Street Farmers Market, other sponsors are Southtown Health Foods, Alderman Matt O'Shea, State Representative Fran Hurley, State Representative Kelly Burke, State Senator Bill Cunningham, and the 95th Street Business Association.

Residential Composting Available at Farmers Market

The Urban Canopy is offering discounted residential composting opportunities this summer through the 95th Street Farmers Market. For a \$5 fee, participants will receive a clean 5 gallon bucket that can be used to collect food scraps and organic waste. Full buckets can be exchanged for clean buckets on a weekly basis at the 95th Street Farmers Market.

Materials collected will be composted at the Urban Canopy farm in Englewood or at other local composting facilities where they will be turned into nutrient rich

soil. Fill 10 buckets of food waste and receive 1 full bucket of soil or a \$5 voucher towards the purchase of produce at the Farmers Market. To sign up, please email compost-club@theurbancanopy.org.

Composting helps keep vital nutrients out of landfills and returns them to our soil. These nutrients help grow food in a sustainable manner. Buckets can be filled with any compostable materials including veggie scraps, egg shells, coffee grounds, meat products, and seeds or pits.



ANIMAL VACCINATION EVENT

 Promoting Responsible Pet Ownership

Saturday, June 19, 2021

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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CASH ONLY EVENT - EXACT CHANGE IS REQUIRED FOR SERVICES

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Vaccine Clinic Rules:

- Only open to City of Chicago Residents 18 years of age or older with valid Photo ID.
- IF YOU OR YOUR PET IS SICK, YOU WILL NOT BE SERVICED. Pets showing signs of respiratory illness will not be serviced.
- You are required to wear a mask at all times while in line and while being serviced. Please practice social distancing while at the event.
- Be prepared for a long wait. Bring your own chair and water and expect to wait in any possible weather condition.
- No petting of animals other than your own. No animal socialization will be allowed. You must maintain a distance of 6 feet between other clients.
- Handling of animals must be self-sufficient by a competent adult greater than 18 years of age. Animal Control personnel or volunteers may not be available to handle leashes, hold or move cages, assist in restraint or touch animals or animal equipment of any kind.
- ALL Dogs MUST be on a leash no longer than 6 feet long or in a carrier (DO NOT use retractable leashes).
- ALL Cats MUST be in a carrier.
- If your pet requires a muzzle during vaccinations or around other animals, YOU MUST bring your own. Muzzles are not available at the clinic. You MUST be able to handle your pet around other animals.

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New Recycling Service Coming Soon

The City of Chicago’s Department of Streets and Sanitation (DSS) announced LRS will assume residential recycling collection services beginning this June in the communities of Beverly, Morgan Park and Mount Greenwood. LRS will replace existing provider Waste Management, whose service has been increasingly problematic in recent years. The new contract includes additional accountability measures the City can use to ensure a higher degree of service is provided to residents.

“The Department of Streets and Sanitation remains committed to supporting waste diversion efforts,” said Commissioner John Tully. “The contract allows for penalties for missed collection and has a greater clarification around contamination. We believe these

will help improve recycling rates.” Transition planning is currently in its final stages. Alderman O’Shea will share more detailed information next month but expect that residents will not see a change in their day of service. The shift is expected to significantly increase recycling service throughout the 19th Ward.

Four companies submitted bids and the lowest bidder, LRS, was selected. DSS is working with partners to ensure a smooth transition and no service interruptions are expected. In areas where DSS services blue carts, there will not be a change.

LRS is committed to recycling and protecting the environment. As an organization, they possess more recycling assets than any other Company in the Chicago

area, including a state-of-the-art single-stream recycling facility that can sort cardboard, mixed-paper, glass, steel, other metals and plastics.

“We are excited to partner with the City of Chicago,” said Joshua Connell, Managing Partner of LRS. “We look forward to providing reliable recycling collection services and increased recycling rates for the City of Chicago and its residents.”

As part of DSS commitment to improve recycling services, LRS will collect recycling with less than 50% of contamination. This will ensure that more waste is getting recycled.

A contract following this current 3 years contract will be guided by the results of a citywide waste study led by the Mayor’s Office, in

partnership with the Delta Institute, expected to be released later this quarter. The comprehensive waste and recycling study reviews current waste and recycling related policies, contracts, data, and infrastructure. The study will guide the development of a framework for further improving recycling and waste diversion, including in commercial and high-density residential settings.

In addition to these efforts, DSS and The Chicago Department of Public Health recently received a grant from the National Resource Defense Council (NRDC) to work on Food Waste reduction in 2021. The Food Matters project at NRDC partners with cities to achieve meaningful reductions in food waste through comprehensive policies and programs.

Mount Greenwood Community Food Drive

The Mount Greenwood Community Food Drive, benefitting Pat’s Pantry, will be held on Thursday, May 27th, 10:00am - 12:00pm at the Mount Greenwood Community Church at 3509 W. 111th St. The food drive is being hosted by Alderman Matt O’Shea and the Mount Greenwood Community & Business Association. Pat’s Pantry provides non-perishable food and toiletries to residents in need with pick-ups available every Wednesday from 3:00-6:00pm at the Mount Greenwood Community Church.

The most commonly requested items include canned fruits and vegetables, pasta, peanut butter, shampoo, feminine products, soap, toothpaste, tooth brushes

and grocery gift cards. Pat’s Pantry is named for Mount Greenwood resident Patrick Turney, who died in 2019 at the age of 23. Aside from the drop off at Mount Greenwood Community Church, all schools in the Mount Greenwood Community have been invited to participate.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Mary Gill at the Mount Greenwood Community & Business Association at (773) 881-0622 or mgcba2013@gmail.com. The food drive is co-sponsored by Alderman Matt O’Shea, Senator Bill Cunningham, Representative Fran Hurley, the Mount Greenwood Community & Business Association, Cassell School and Mount Greenwood School.



Virtual Cable & Robocall/Home Energy Savings Presentations

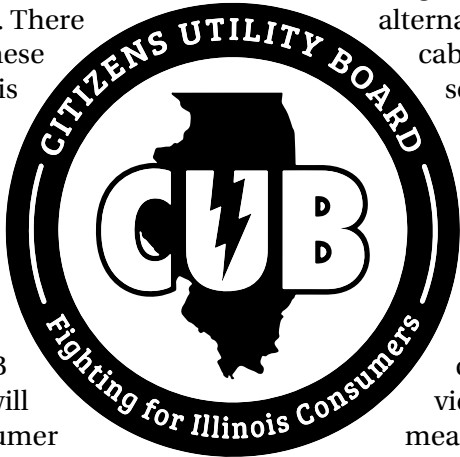
Alderman Matt O’Shea and the Citizens Utility Board (CUB) will host two virtual presentations on Tuesday, June 8th from 6:00-7:00 pm and Thursday, June 17th from 1:00-2:00 pm. There is no cost for these events. Space is limited! To reserve your spot today, use the links below to register.

During the virtual home energy savings presentation, a CUB representative will discuss new consumer protections during COVID-19 recovery; free programs designed to save you energy and money; how to decode your gas and electric bills, spot errors, and avoid scams and the latest Illinois energy policies and how they will impact your energy choices.

Tuesday, June 8th, 6:00pm
<https://tinyurl.com/WEB0608>
During the virtual cable and

robocall presentation, a CUB representative will discuss the different choices in the TV market, ways to cut your cable costs, is it time to get rid of your cable, alternatives to satellite or cable, and streaming services available to consumers. In addition, CUB will discuss the different types of robocalls, how to avoid common robocall scams, call-blocking services and what they mean for your pocket, and new proposed federal legislation.

Thursday, June 17th, 1:00 pm
<https://tinyurl.com/WEB0617>
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Cunningham highlights resources for pandemic recovery

A majority of Illinois adults have now received the COVID-19 vaccine and as more of us step up to protect ourselves and our neighbors, we will finally be able to fully reopen our economy. However, many households and businesses are still reeling from the impact of the pandemic on their finances, their jobs, and their personal lives. Thankfully, there are resources available to help.

According to State Senator Bill Cunningham, these state and federal coronavirus relief programs have been infused with new funding and will be open throughout the month of May to new applications:

No sector of the economy has been more damaged by the pandemic than the hospitality industry. **The Restaurant Revitalization Fund** is expected to open in early May to provide assistance to eligible restaurants, bars and other food service businesses. Applications can be filled out and submitted at the Small Business Administration website (www.sba.gov).



Just click on the "Covid-19 Relief Options" tab.

For all other types of businesses, the federal **Paycheck Protection Program** is still the best option for relief. But you must act quickly, the application deadline is May 31st. Again, visit the SBA website to submit an application.

The Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) has an online portal that connects small businesses to an array of pandemic-related grant and loan programs. Just go on-

line and search "**Illinois First Stop Business Information Center**" to see if you or a business you work at is eligible.

Illinoisans facing financial hardship may be eligible for assistance to help pay for food, utility bills, rent and more. The **Help Illinois Families Initiative** is open to all low-income households and middle income families that have been affected by COVID-19. Find a list of eligibility requirements and complete a pre-application form on the DCEO website.

Hurley Passes Legislation to Extend "Age Out" Date for Special Education Students

Special education students will be eligible to stay enrolled in education programs longer under new legislation passed by state Rep. Fran Hurley, D-Chicago, in the Illinois House of Representatives.

"Right now, special education students 'age out' of education services when they turn 22 years old, no matter when that date occurs, even in the middle of a school year," said Hurley. "This current rule is unfair to students and their families

and presents them with an unfair burden on missing the rest of a school year education as well as missing friends and staff."

Hurley's bill, House Bill 40, will allow all special education students to finish the school year of their 22nd birthday. Currently, special education students are allowed to go to school from ages 3 to

21. Once the student turns 22 years old, they are no longer eligible to attend school, even if their birthday is in the middle of a school year.

Hurley's bill passed the Illinois House of Representatives last week with strong bipartisan support with 96 members voting in favor and now awaits passage in the Illinois Senate. If passed through the Senate, House Bill 40 will then be signed into law as early as next month.

"I am very proud to pass this legislation after a constitu-

ent of mine, Katie Hurley Kettering, and her son, Charlie, came to me with this idea in 2019, which will help many special education students across Illinois remain in their classrooms," said Hurley. "This bill has been several years in the making and I am extremely happy to see this much needed legislation move closer to becoming law."



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19TH WARD PRESCRIPTION DRUG DROP OFF & DOCUMENT SHREDDING EVENT

Saturday, June 5th
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

CrossWinds Church
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This event is free, but is open to
19th Ward residents only.



Documents are
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Only documents that are loose
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Turn in your unused or expired
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Monday, May 17, 2021

6:00 P.M.

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Improvements Coming to Local Parks

Ridge Park Field House

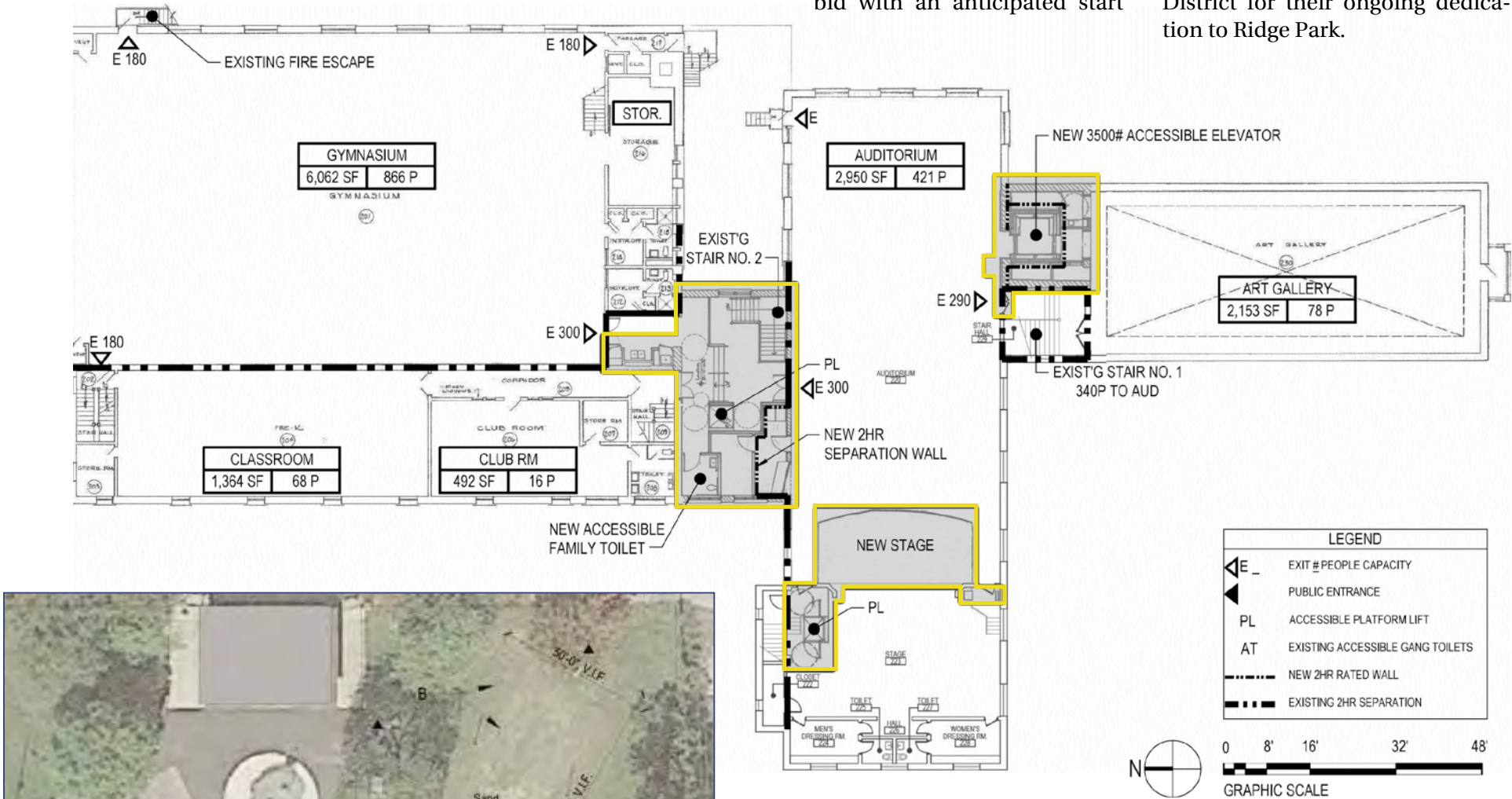
This summer, work will begin on a \$1.2 million investment to increase ADA accessibility and auditorium upgrades at the Ridge Park Field House. Scheduled im-

provements include new electrical service to allow for installation of an ADA compliant elevator, ADA improvements in the gymnasium lobby, stairs and bathroom, and a new stage chair lift in the audi-

torium. The auditorium will also receive improvements in general lighting, stage lighting and a new sound / control booth. New signage, lighting and finishes will also be installed in the fieldhouse.

This work is currently out to bid with an anticipated start

date this summer. Construction is slated for completion in early 2022. The Ridge Park Field house was originally constructed in 1913. Special thanks to the Ridge Park Advisory Council, Beverly Area Planning Association and Chicago Park District for their ongoing dedication to Ridge Park.



Munroe Park Pickleball and Volleyball Courts

A new pickleball court and replacement volleyball court are planned for Munroe Park. This second phase of improvements follows the construction of a new playground at the park. Construction, originally slated for a Spring start, has been slightly delayed. The \$75,000 project is expected to start in the coming weeks and will be completed this year.

The project will include a full size pickleball court surrounded by a six-foot fence. The volleyball court will be completely rebuilt. It will remain a regulation size court with the same extra ten feet of sand playing field around. Thank you to the Chicago Park District for making this investment in our community.

Fitness in the Parks

This Summer, the 19th Ward will be offering a variety of free fitness opportunities at area parks. All events are open to the public and will include proper social distancing and other COVID measures. Free hand sanitizer and bottled water will be provided.

Yoga in the Park with Monica Bright

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Celebrate Matt Hooker at Kennedy Park



The 19th Ward presents a free Concert in the Park Thursday, July 15th at Kennedy Park, 11320 S. Western Ave., at 7:00 pm. This show will be dedicated to the memory of Matt Hooker. Entertainment will include friends of Matt as well as musicians from various local bands such as American Pie, Caution, MoTown Nation & Railroad Gin.

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Legislative Update from Rep. Kelly Burke

HB 3977 - I sponsored the First Responders Behavioral Healthcare Bill of Rights Act. Our community is a First Responder community and I keep that fact at the forefront of my mind when crafting legislation and voting on bills that come before me on the House floor. This measure protects police officers, firefighters, and paramedics from employer repercussions for seeking mental health services while expanding access to behavioral health services and treatment. Thankfully, the bill also protects confidentiality in seeking support services that did not previously exist. Being a first responder is more difficult now than ever before, so I think legislation like this is the least we can do to alleviate some of the pressures that come with the job.



HB 3498 - The pandemic forced us to recognize the need to expand and protect access to telehealth services for Illinois families. I sponsored this legislation because we must streamline insurance coverage while improved access to care. This bill expands and maintains telehealth services which were originally established earlier in the COVID-19 pandemic. More specifically, this measure stipulates that the Telehealth Act shall apply to all health insurance coverage which is currently offered by insurers regulated within the purview of the Department of In-

surance or the Department of Health-care and Family Services.

SB 632 - "I sponsored legislation that would allow legislators to keep tabs on the Governor while he uses his powers to navigate us out of the pandemic. This measure reenacts the Restore Illinois Collaborative Commission within the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity to monitor the Governor's actions with regards to the Restore Illinois plan. This bill allows members of the General Assembly to remain informed of his plans and any need for further legislative action. TI served as co-chair of our original RICC and look forward to remaining involved in the new version.

HB 58 - "I sponsored this bill to help property owners remove unlawful and offensive restrictive covenants from property deeds. A restrictive covenant is a promise included in a legal document for a landowner to either do or not do something with or on their land. These restrictive covenants were used in the past to promote segregation and prohibit specific communities from owning property in certain communities. Unfortunately, some of these relics from an earlier era are still found on property records. This legislation allows county recorders to coordinate and streamline the process for changes necessary to remove the language from legal documents.

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Virtual Ridge Run Set to Start on Memorial Day

The Beverly Area Planning Association (BAPA) is hosting the Ridge Run from Memorial Day, May 31st through Monday, June 7th. This year, participants will be able to complete the Ridge Run 5K, 10K or 5K/10K Challenge races on their own schedules.

Route maps and registration are available online at www.bapa.org. Everyone who registers by Monday, May 17th will receive their Virtual Ridge Run T-shirt by Memorial Day; participants who register May 18th through June 7th will receive T-shirts after the race. Post your times on social media using the appropriate race hashtag -- #BAPARidgeRun5K, #BAPARidgeRun10K or #BAPARidgeRunChallenge. The live Ridge Run (which will have its own T-shirt) is planned for Saturday, September 4th, so runners and walkers have options to participate in the virtual event, the live event or a combination of the two.

The Ridge Run is the oldest Chicago neighborhood 10K that is still being held. The first starting pistol went off in the early 1970s, when the hundreds of runners jogging down Longwood Drive were decked out in colorful short shorts, sweat-soaked bandanas and calf-hugging tube socks. Despite the apparel, the race was an immediate hit, and quickly became a must-do event for Memorial Day weekend.

By the early 1980s, the Ridge Run was drawing runners from throughout the city and suburbs and had established a reputation as a well-run race with the added challenge of running up the highest hill in Chicago and the bonus

of a tree-lined, residential race route lined with friendly spectators cheering on the participants. The Ridge Run continues to uphold these traditions that are unique to Beverly/Morgan Park.

Area runners who want to add an extra level to their quest for a personal best or take a run “back in time” are invited to stop in at Running Excels (10328 S. Western Ave) for free print-outs of the Red, White and Blue Routes -- three different Ridge Run 10K certified courses that were used during the race’s 44-year history. The routes will also be available at www.bapa.org. Although the virtual version of the Ridge Run will be a different experience this Memorial Day, BAPA is eager for an all new way to kick off the summer with our neighbors.

The live race on September 4th will feature the full complement of race options – 5K run, 5K untimed walk, 10K run, 5K + 10K Challenge, and Youth Mile – and a family festival at Ridge Park following the races.

Whether you’re running for the nostalgia, to see a different part of the neighborhood, to experience how BAPA’s iconic racing event has changed, or to get a T-shirt with the cool new Ridge Run logo, BAPA is looking forward welcoming you to the virtual Ridge Run and making this a social media-driven event filled with friendly competition and South Side pride.

Run for fun, run to beat your best Ridge Run record, run to set a time to beat at BAPA’s live Ridge Run on Labor Day weekend, or just run because it’s what we do on Memorial Day.

Traffic Calming Signs Available

Alderman Matt O’Shea will be offering a limited number of free “Please Slow Down - Kids Play Here” yard signs for 19th Ward residents. Yard sign requests will be accepted May 15th – June 1st and delivery is expected in mid-June. The speed of traffic through our community is a growing concern. All residents are asked to be more

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Smith Village names Ramos Director of Nursing

Smith Village in the 19th Ward continues the not-for-profit community’s commitment to nurturing leaders and encouraging staff members to advance in their careers. The promotion of Ricardo Ramos, RN to director of nursing is the most recent example of this commitment.

In his new role, Ramos supervises 96 nurses and nursing assistants, and oversees training, budgeting and staffing needs. He ensures all nursing care for residents meets Smith Village’s extraordinary standards.

Ramos began his career as a certified nursing assistant in 2015 at Smith Village after he completed his associate degree in nursing at Moraine Valley Community College. While working full-time, Ramos qualified for tuition reim-

bursement assistance from Smith Village and used it to earn a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing at Saint Xavier University. In 2018 when he was licensed as a registered nurse, his responsibilities expanded to include more patient exams, assessments and treatments.

Now as director of nursing, Ramos is more eager than ever to advance Smith Village’s mission to enrich the lives of older adults. “My team and I dedicate ourselves to caring for residents in ways that show we are there for them at every stage of their life,” he says. Ramos oversees person-centered patient care in the rehab, assisted living and skilled nursing care areas of Smith Village. “I believe this is where I can have the most positive impact on people, by caring for residents and helping them live

their best lives,” he explains. Ramos and his team are looking forward to moving into the completely renovated Johansson Wing that houses skilled nursing care rooms and short-term rehab suites, as well as the new addition with an expanded dining room and therapy gym.

For Ramos, a career at Smith Village is close to his heart. “My grandparents helped raise me, so working with older adults feels like home to me,” he says. “Also, I come from a really big extended family. My mom has 10 siblings and my dad has 15. Smith Village residents and staff really feel like an extension of my big, caring family.”

When Marti Jatis, executive director of Smith Village, announced Ramos’s most recent promotion she said, “Since 2015, the residents



at Smith Village have benefitted from Ricky’s professionalism and genuine spirit of caring. As the director of nursing, he brings his expertise and passion to our leadership team.”

A resident of Blue Island, Ramos enjoys biking and hiking and is eager to get outside and enjoy the warmer weather.

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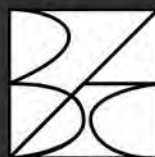


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Mercy Circle’s values attract and retain employees

Mercy Circle, a continuing care retirement community in the 19th Ward, was founded with the values of respect for the dignity of each person expressed with compassion, hospitality, stewardship and collaboration. That spirit inspires both residents and staff members, leading to employee policies that help in the recruiting and retaining of employees.

“We strive to make Mercy Circle a place where employees want to stay,” says Susan Tirpak, director of human resources. These efforts were recognized by the *Chicago Tribune’s* list of Top Workplaces in 2020.

When Tirpak started working at Mercy Circle four years ago, she brought 20 years of experience in human resources for healthcare organizations. One of her first priorities was to develop a two-day

onboarding program. “All of our new hires spend their first two days learning about our mission and values as well as our policies,” Tirpak explains. “It gives them a sense of our culture and values, our mission and goals—what we’ve accomplished and where we’re going.”

There also is time set aside for new employees to get to know their team members and develop bonds. “Lasting relationships with colleagues are a major factor for employees deciding to stay with an employer,” says Tirpak. “We encourage and support those positive relationships throughout our community.”



Director of Human Resources Susan Tirpak leads hiring, training and retention efforts at Mercy Circle in the 19th Ward.

Mercy Circle also exceeds senior living industry standards with several benefits including a matching program for an employee retirement fund; three options for affordable health-care plans so employees can tailor their own plan to their own needs; and a generous personal time off program. “We value work life balance and have developed policies to reflect how we care about employees’ well-being,” says Tirpak.

Mercy Circle has 120 employees, and currently is hiring an experienced cook, maintenance professional and registered nurse for full-time positions. There also

are part-time openings for certified nursing assistants and a receptionist. Details are available at Mercy-Circle.org on the “careers” page. These opportunities are updated weekly as new positions become available.

Employees from all faiths are welcomed. They will join a team united by a sense of mission and values in caring for residents at Mercy Circle, approximately three-fourths of whom are members of religious orders or priests.

“Many of our employees tell us they feel called to work here,” says executive director Frances Lachowicz. “They feel at home here and frequently tell us how friendly the residents and their coworkers are. Their good work demonstrates how they cherish being a part of a community that is important and special.”

19th Ward Celebrates Teacher Appreciation Week

This May, the 19th Ward celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week. Our team visited 19th Ward Schools to thank our teachers and delivered baked goods from Beverly Bakery. Throughout the past year, our teachers have met the challenges of this pandemic with unending creativity and compassion. They continue to put our children first in difficult circumstances and for that we are most grateful. We hope that all teachers feel the gratitude and appreciation they deserve.





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