



Morton Grove Village Hall

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 9-1-1

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 847-470-5226

 Police Information
 847-470-5200

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 800-334-7661 (800-EDISON-1)

 Poison Control
 800-222-1222

 Animal Control
 847-470-5200

 NICOR
 888-642-6748 (888-NICOR-4U)

Welcome from Mayor DiMaria



Welcome home to Morton Grove. Our tagline, "Incredibly Close, Amazingly Open," truly defines us. We are incredibly close in so many ways. Our location can't be beat; we are close to downtown Chicago, O'Hare Airport, Interstates 94 and 294, and are serviced by Metra trains and Pace buses. We have outstanding restaurants and shops, with many more just minutes away. More importantly, we are an "Incredibly Close" community of neighbors that enjoys living in Morton Grove and cares about each other.

We are also proud to be "Amazingly Open." Twenty percent of our land is part of the Cook County Forest Preserve District, and we enjoy biking and hiking trails, a public golf course, and wonderful neighborhood parks. "Amazingly Open" also describes who we are; we are a diverse community with residents born in scores of different countries. We welcome everyone to Morton Grove and are always open to new neighbors, new cultures, and new ideas.

We hope this guide will be a useful resource to help you learn "all things Morton Grove" - we have included everything from when to buy landscape stickers to where to register to vote. My door is always open, and I would love to hear from you if you have any questions or suggestions.

Sincerely,

Mayor Dan DiMaria

847-470-5220

ddmaria@mortongroveil.org



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Community Overview

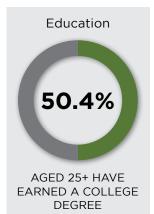


Incredibly Close 🤻 Amazingly Open

Median Household Income



\$85,476 **MORTON GROVE ILLINOIS QUICK FACTS** \$65,030 \$61,937 **UNITED STATES**



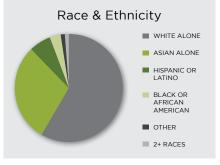
















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Atlanta	731	2
Chicago	2	0
Cleveland	359	
Dallas	934	2
Denver	1,009	2
Detroit	297	
Kansas City	528	
Los Angeles	2,018	4
Memphis	547	
Minneapolis	401	
New Orleans	940	2
New York	804	2
St. Louis	304	
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Village Government

The Village of Morton Grove is governed by a Mayor (also referred to as a Village President), a Village Clerk, and six Trustees who are elected for four-year terms. Elections are held every two years. The Mayor, with the concurrence of the Village Board, appoints a Village Administrator. The Village Administrator is in charge of the day-to-day operations of the Village and oversees department directors.

Village services are provided by eight departments. The Administration, Police, Building and Inspectional Services, Community and Economic Development, and Finance Departments are located at 6101 Capulina Avenue. The Fire Department has two locations at 6250 Lincoln Avenue and 8954 Shermer Road, and the Public Works Department is located at 7840 Nagle Avenue. The Department of Family and Senior Services is located at 6140 Dempster Street.

Village Board meetings are held on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 7:00 p.m. at Village Hall (6101 Capulina Avenue). Meetings are open to the public, pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act. The meetings are livestreamed (may be watched remotely on a computer, tablet or smart phone) and are rebroadcasted on local cable access channel 6 and AT&T U-Verse channel 99 - Morton Grove. For more information, including the calendar of all Village meetings, agendas, and minutes, please visit the Village website at www.mortongroveil.org.

Board of Trustees



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Janine Witko, Trustee jwitko@mortongroveil.org Elected 2019

Village Government

Boards & Commissions

Village boards, commissions, and committees provide residents' input on important issues affecting neighborhoods and Village developments. The activities of each body have a direct impact on the quality of life in the Village. Meetings are open to the public. Members are appointed by the Mayor. Residents interested in serving on a board, commission, or committee are invited to submit an application to the Mayor's Office at Village Hall. For additional information, call 847-965-4100 or visit the Village's website at www.mortongroveil.org.

Advisory Commission on Aging

This Commission is composed of senior residents and representatives of public and private organizations serving the needs of older Morton Grove residents. Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, except for July and August, at 1:00 p.m.

Appearance Review Commission

This Commission reviews applications for new construction, exterior remodeling, landscaping plans, and signage. The Commission may approve variations from certain landscaping and signage regulations. Meets on the 1st Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Community Relations Commission

This Commission hosts programs and events to foster positive interactions among residents of all races, creeds, national origins, and economic and educational levels. Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

Environment and Natural Resources Commission

Replacing the Board of Environment Health and Natural Resources Commission, this Commission assists the Village Board's efforts to promote the preservation, improvement, and protection of the Village's environment and natural resources. Meets on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

Fire & Police Commission

This Commission supervises the hiring and promotion of sworn fire and police officers, and disciplinary action when required. Meets monthly as needed.

Firemen's Pension Board

This Board administers Morton Grove's fire pension fund. Membership is specified by state law and includes Mayoral appointees, elected members, and Fire Department retirees. Meets quarterly as needed.

Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals

The Plan Commission makes recommendations to the Village Board for proposed special use permits, subdivisions, planned unit developments, and zoning amendments. The Zoning Board of Appeals reviews requests for variation from the Village's zoning regulations. Meets on the 3rd Monday of each month.

Police Pension Board

This Board administers Morton Grove's police pension fund. Membership is specified by state law and includes Mayoral appointees, elected members, and Police Department retirees. Meets quarterly as needed.

Special Events Commission

This Commission works with Village officials and staff to plan, coordinate volunteers, and operate Morton Grove Days and other special events. Meets on the 3rd Tuesday of alternating months, beginning in February, at 6:30 p.m.

Traffic Safety Commission

This Commission reviews and presents recommendations to the Village Board regarding matters involving traffic safety, including the traffic impacts of development proposals and requests for the installation of traffic control devices. Meets on the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Village Departments

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	www.mortongroveil.org/finance 847-470-5243 fax 847-663-3028 6101 Capulina Avenue, Morton Grove, IL 60053	
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	www.mortongroveil.org/building-and-inspectional-services-department 847-470-5214 fax 847-663-6185 6101 Capulina Avenue, Morton Grove, IL 60053	
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847-663-3070 | 6140 Dempster Street, Morton Grove, IL 60053



Administrator's Office

Ralph E. Czerwinski, Village Administrator vmg@mortongroveil.org | www.mortongroveil.org/administration

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The Administrator's Office is responsible for assuring the efficient and effective management of day-to-day Village operations, and through the Administrator, implementing the policies of the Village President and Board of Trustees.

The Administrator assists the Village President and Board of Trustees in developing policy alternatives and implementing Board policy decisions. Special attention is devoted to an on-going analysis of the delivery of public services in order to maximize productivity and effectiveness.

Key Resident Services:

- Village Board Support
- Communications & Media
- Event Permitting
- Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Requests
- Human Resources
- Morton Grove F-News
- · Policy Inquiries
- Proclamation Requests
- Risk Management
- Senior Services
- Village Newsletter



Finance Department

www.mortongroveil.org/finance

847-470-5243 | fax 847-663-3028 | 6101 Capulina Avenue, Morton Grove, IL 60053

The Finance Department is a support service department whose primary function is to assist the other Village departments in meeting their public service goals. These support services include budgeting, accounting, purchasing, debt administration, and payroll. In addition to supporting the operations of other departments, the Finance Department serves the public directly by performing the following functions: reception, information dissemination, licensing, cashiering, issuance of real estate transfer stamps, and handling water billing inquiries and payments.

- Garage Sale Permitting
- Parking Permits
- Pet Registration
- Real Estate Transfer Stamps
- Vehicle Stickers
- Water Billing



www.mortongroveil.org/building-and-inspectional-services-department

847-470-5214 | fax 847-663-6185 | 6101 Capulina Avenue, Morton Grove, IL 60053

The Department of Building and Inspectional Services works to ensure that property and structures are developed and maintained in accordance with Village building, zoning, health, and property maintenance ordinances. Before beginning any remodeling, demolition, construction, flatwork, or fencing project, contact the Building Department to find out which permits will be required.

Key Resident Services:

- Home Occupation & Business Licenses
- Construction & Demolition Permitting
- Inspections
- Property Maintenance
- Vacant Property Registration



Department of Community & Economic Development

commdev@mortongroveil.org | www.mortongroveil.org/business-development 847-663-3063 | 6101 Capulina Avenue, Morton Grove, IL 60053

The Department of Community and Economic Development works to enhance the local business climate and improve quality of life for residents. The Department coordinates land use planning, administers the Village's zoning regulations, facilitates residential, commercial, mixed-use, and industrial development, and connects businesses with resources and programs to help them thrive.

- Zoning Administration
- Zoning Relief Support
- Community Development Initiatives
- Community Planning



Public Works Department

www.mortongroveil.org/public-works

847-470-5235 | 7840 Nagle Avenue, Morton Grove, IL 60053

The Public Works Department maintains a welltrained staff of 38 full-time employees who serve as the backbone of all Village maintenance services. The department is comprised of five divisions (Street/Forestry, Water/Sewer, Vehicle Maintenance Engineering and Building Maintenance).

The **Water/Sewer Division** is responsible for ensuring the quality of the Village's water supply as well as a sufficient quantity of water to suppress fires in an emergency situation. This division monitors the Village's water supply and distribution at its two pumping stations and two elevated water tanks. Employees continually test the water following Environmental Protection Agency guidelines to ensure the highest quality of potable water. The division is also responsible for maintaining the sanitary, storm, and combination sewers and their appurtenances in the Village. This division maintains and repairs all Village catch basins along with the storm, sanitary, or combination manholes. Employees in this division also repair all blockages and damage to any portion of the sewer system.

The **Street/Forestry Division** is responsible for preserving the rights-of-ways throughout the Village and maintaining and repairing 270 lane miles of Village thoroughfares and 58 lane miles of State and County Roads within the corporate boundaries of Morton Grove. Additionally, these employees conduct all the snowplowing, street sweeping, and leaf collection duties in the Village.

The **Vehicle Maintenance Division** is responsible for the routine maintenance and all repairs to the municipal fleet. The fleet includes Fire Department, Police Department, Public Works and Administrative Department vehicles. This consists of approximately 130 vehicles.

The **Engineering Division** is responsible for design, inspection, and administration of all construction

projects within rights-of-way and other lands owned by the Village of Morton Grove. These can include street resurfacing, street patching, street lighting, sewer lining, and street striping projects and programs. This division also is directly involved in procuring funding and administering various projects performed within the boundaries of the Village of Morton Grove by the State of Illinois Department of Transportation and the Cook County Division of Highways. Additional duties include reviewing plans and proposals for projects proposed by private developers for compliance with Village, State, County, and Metropolitan Water Reclamation District ordinances and policies; providing such developers with pertinent information regarding the diverse physical features of the Village, advancing and maintaining the Village's computer-based Graphic Information System (GIS); and assisting the other Public Works Department Divisions during times of excessive manpower usage.

The **Building Maintenance Division** monitors, maintains and verifies the condition for all municipal buildings and properties on a continual basis. This division participates in setting design specifications, bidding and overseeing the preventive maintenance programs which decrease the overall cost of maintaining buildings and properties.

- Engineering Review
- Free Landscaping Material
- Severe Storm Damage Clean-Up
- Snow/Ice Removal
- Street Sweeping & Maintenance
- Street Tree Planting
- Tree Protection
- Water & Sewer Systems

Police Department

www.mortongroveil.org/police-department

emergency 9-1-1 | non-emergency 847-470-5200 | fax 847-965-2950 6101 Capulina Avenue, Morton Grove, IL 60053

The Morton Grove Police Department is a professional law enforcement agency that adheres to the highest standards of professionalism. Our mission is to provide responsive and professional law enforcement services, preserve law and order, and to maintain the highest ethical standards. We are committed to maintaining the safest possible environment and to preserve Morton Grove's status as a great place to live and work.

There are many factors, positive and negative, that impact crime rates, but in reality, what makes Morton Grove a safe village is our partnerships within and outside the community. Citizens' groups, local municipal service providers, Village commissions, Morton Grove businesses, as well as outside provider agencies, are examples of our great partnerships.

- Block Watch Program
- Citizens Police Academy
- Emergency Response
- Gun Safety Resources & Gun Locks
- Identity Theft Resources
- Neighborhood Outreach
- Parking Restriction Enforcement
- Red Light Safety Camera Program
- Security Alarm Program
- Smart 911
- Social Services
- Traffic Safety Enforcement
- Vacation Watch Program
- National Night Out Typically first Tuesday in August



www.mortongroveil.org/fire-department

emergency 9-1-1 | non-emergency 847-470-5226 | fax 847-965-7711 Headquarters/Station #4 - 6250 Lincoln Avenue, Morton Grove, IL 60053 Station #5 - 8954 Shermer Road, Morton Grove, IL 60053

The Morton Grove Fire Department maintains a full-time, professional, sworn staff of well-trained firefighters and paramedics, who specialize in the latest fire science and rescue techniques. The staff includes forty sworn members, one full-time inspector, two part time inspectors, and two civilian support employees. All firefighter/paramedics are certified in both firefighting and emergency medical services. The training of the Department's personnel is an ongoing process with staff hours that are not only devoted to emergency response, but dedicated to skill development and enhancement in an effort to maintain operational readiness.

The Village has two fully operational fire stations: Fire Station #4, located at 6250 Lincoln Avenue, which primarily responds to fire and medical emergencies on the east side of the Village; and Fire Station #5, located at 8954 Shermer Road, which responds to fire and medical emergencies primarily on the west side of the Village. Station numbering is assigned regionally to facilitate communications during large-scale incidents when mutual aid from multiple communities is needed.

These stations are staffed 24 hours-a-day, 365 daysa-year. Depending on scheduling, 10 to 13 members of the department are on duty each day. Each shift is responsible for staffing two fire pumper engines and two Advanced Life Support ambulances.

A complete fleet of fire/emergency apparatus and equipment is maintained, enabling the department to respond to the community's needs swiftly and safely. In addition to providing emergency fire protection and medical services, the Fire Department addresses the community's needs through fire prevention, investigation, hazardous materials management, special rescue teams, and medical and fire protection education.

- Be Alarmed! Smoke Detector Installation Program
- Emergency Preparedness
- Emergency Response
- Fire Prevention Resources
- Life Safety Code Enforcement
- Neighborhood Outreach
- Public Education
- Residential Key Box Program
- Speaker Bureau



www.mortongroveil.org/family-and-senior-services

847-663-3070 | 6140 Dempster Street, Morton Grove, IL 60053

The mission of the Department of Family and Senior Services at the American Legion Memorial Civic Center is to serve as a focal point where a multitude of social, health, and recreational services are provided in a caring and professional manner designed to keep individuals healthy, productive, and independent for as long as possible. Services are available for Morton Grove residents of all ages.

- · Civic Center Activities
- Health & Wellness Programs
- Senior Programs
- Social Services



Adopt-a-Planter Program

Every summer and winter season, the Morton Grove Community Relations Commission invites Village residents and businesses to participate in the Adopt-a-Planter Program. Individuals, families, organizations, businesses, and other groups may sign up to "adopt" one of the large Village planters located at the train station, Civic Center, and along Dempster Street and Waukegan Road. All participants will receive an email approximately one week before "Planting Day" with their planter assignment and other details. Adopting a planter is an excellent way to show pride in our community while keeping the Village beautiful throughout the seasons. For more information please call 847-663-3007 or email CRC@mortongroveil.org.

Animal Control

The Morton Grove Police Department's Animal Control Unit routinely rescues animals in distress and provides residents with a resource to navigate their way through issues related to both domestic animals and wildlife. The Police Department is staffed by one Animal Control Officer, who assists with securing lost pets and relocating found pets

and animals. Often, injured animals are transported to nearby wildlife rehabilitation centers for care before they are released back into the wild. To contact the Animal Control Unit, call 847-470-5200.

Be Alarmed! Smoke Detector Program

Properly installed and fully functioning smoke alarms are an important step to making your home and family safer from fire. The Morton Grove Fire Department is proud to take part in the "Be Alarmed!" Smoke Detector Program, a fire safety education and smoke alarm installation program administered cooperatively between the Illinois Fire Safety Alliance (IFSA) and the Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshal (OSFM). The program distributes fire safety education materials and 10year sealed battery ionization technology smoke alarms to Illinois fire departments. Fire departments then educate residents and install smoke alarms in residential dwellings within their communities.

The smoke alarms and installation services are free for residential dwellings in Morton Grove. To enroll online or download an application, visit www.mortongroveil.org/fire-department/be**alarmed**. Once the application is received, you will be contacted by a Morton Grove Fire Department representative to discuss, plan, and schedule your smoke alarm installation. Although this program is available to residential dwellings only, the Fire Department will be happy to assist businesses and non-residential property owners with any compliance questions or concerns.

Block Party Permits

Residents intending to hold block parties or music parties must submit a Block Party Request Form and return it to Village Hall for registration and approval. Requests should be made at least one

month prior to the scheduled event. A Live and Amplified Music Permit Application must also be submitted and approved for events where music will be played live or amplified outdoors. To download the applications, visit www.mortongroveil.org/ block-party-or-live-music-request.

Block Watch Program

The Morton Grove Police Department implemented a virtual Block Watch Program to enlist the help of property owners who have outdoor video cameras to solve neighborhood crimes. Often times, investigators have found when canvassing a neighborhood after a crime has occurred that a home or business video system may have captured a picture of a suspect or a vehicle. This can be a valuable lead that can help in an investigation and may lead to an arrest. The Block Watch Program is a voluntary program that asks property owners who have outdoor surveillance cameras to register their cameras with the Police Department. If a crime occurs in the neighborhood. the Morton Grove Police Department may ask you to check your camera system to see if you captured a video that may aid in our investigation. To participate, visit www.mortongroveil.org/policedepartment/block-watch. Call the Community Liaison Officers at 847-470-5200 with any questions.

Blood Pressure Screening

The Village offers free blood pressure, cholesterol, and blood sugar screenings for senior residents on the third Tuesday of the month at the Morton Grove Civic Center (6140 Dempster Street). The screenings take only three minutes. For more information, call 847-663-3070.

Building Permits

Obtaining a building permit from the Morton Grove Department of Building and Inspectional Services helps maintain and protect a property owner's best interest. A permit guarantees construction work

will be inspected and helps identify deviations from approved plans and violations of the Building Code that may result in unsafe or hazardous conditions. Applications for permits may be made by the homeowner or contractor. However, it is the homeowner's responsibility to ensure a permit is secured and posted on the job site.

Examples of work requiring a permit:

- · New buildings, additions, interior remodeling, and renovations
- Carports and garages
- Fences and gates
- Storage sheds and playhouses
- Patios, porches, and decks
- Swimming pools and ponds (over 2 feet deep)
- Driveways, parking areas, and walkways
- Electrical, plumbing, heating, and cooling
- Sewer and water line repairs
- Changes to lot grade
- Water heaters
- Demolition

Examples of work not requiring a permit:

- Roofing
- Tuckpointing
- Replacement of gutters and downspouts
- Siding (aluminum, vinyl, stucco)
- Windows, same size replacement



The Department only accepts hard permit applications delivered by mail or in-person to Village Hall at 6101 Capulina Avenue. Contractors must be licensed with the Village prior to permit issuance. To download permit applications and for more information, visit www.mortongroveil.org/buildingand-inspectional-services-department. Call 847-470-5214 with any questions.

Business Licenses (Home Businesses)

The Village is proud that many residents operate home-based businesses. In order to maintain the residential nature of Morton Grove's neighborhoods and ensure that home-based businesses do not negatively impact their neighbors, the Village enforces several ordinances to regulate home-based businesses. In order to establish a home business. submit a Business & Non-Residential Use Compliance Certificate Application and Home Occupation Checklist to Village Hall (6101 Capulina Avenue) for administrative review. New home businesses are subject to a \$100 licensing fee and the annual renewal costs \$25. To download the application and review applicable requirements, visit www. mortongroveil.org/doing-business-in-morton-grove.

Citation Adjudication Program

The Village's Citation Adjudication Program is a quasi-judicial tribunal for the expedient, independent, and impartial adjudication of Municipal Code citations. An administrative adjudication



hearing is a civil, not a criminal proceeding. Cases are punishable by fines and a variety of other penalties, but not by jail time. The process is more streamlined than a judicial court and typically is more time and cost effective for all parties involved. Strict and often complex rules of evidence and procedure are not applicable.

Cases are heard by an administrative hearing officer who is an experienced attorney and has completed state mandated training to impartially render decisions in a professional, courteous, and fair manner. The Hearing Officer is not a Village employee and their compensation is not dependent on the outcome of any hearing.

If a fine is listed on the citation and the citation does not state that the defendant must attend the hearing, the defendant may choose to resolve the citation by simply paying the fine indicated on the citation. Fines can be paid in-person at Village Hall (6101 Capulina Avenue), by mail to 6101 Capulina Avenue, Morton Grove, Illinois 60053, or through the Village's online payment portal available at www.mortongroveil.org/adjudication.

As an alternative to attending an administrative hearing, a defendant may contest a citation without a formal hearing by submitting a Request to Contest Citation Without Formal Hearing form and emailing the completed form, along with any supporting documentation, to adjudications@mortongroveil. org. To download the form and learn more about the Village's Citation Adjudication Program, visit www.mortongroveil.org/adjudication. Please call 847-663-3003 with any questions.

Citizens Police Academy

Are you interested in getting an up-close look at what police do? The Citizens Police Academy is a ten-week program with one two-hour block of instruction per week designed to give participants an understanding of the operations of the Morton

Grove Police Department and a working knowledge of what law enforcement is all about. The classes are limited to twenty students, so early registration is recommended. There is no cost for residents to participate. Visit www.mortongroveil.org/policedepartment/citizens-police-academy for future dates and more information.

Civic Center Rental

The American Legion Memorial Civic Center at 6140 Dempster Street is a multi-purpose facility in Morton Grove that meets the needs of individuals, groups, and civic organizations alike. Whether you are planning a corporate seminar, an educational workshop, or a formal wedding, the Civic Center has the perfect room for you. Elegant surroundings and functional meeting spaces offer an impressive setting within this beautifully designed and tastefully decorated facility. Civic Center rentals provide equipment, appliances, and staff support that will make your special event shine.

Main floor rental options include:

- Reception Area: A friendly reception area welcomes visitors with its inviting oak spiral staircase, a sparkling brass chandelier, and comfortable seating.
- · Main Hall: The Main Hall, with an adjacent kitchen and patio, is a large carpeted banquet hall featuring a vaulted wood beam ceiling, entertainment stage, state-of-the-art sound system, and dance floor. This space accommodates 170 to a sit-down meal with an adjacent, fully equipped warming kitchen to satisfy the needs of caterers. French doors open out to a landscaped brick paved patio where your guests can relax under patio umbrellas or moonlit nights. Capacity for banquet seating only is 170, 140 with an open dance floor, and 130 with an open dance floor and portable bar. Auditorium seating is 225.



Second floor rental options include:

- Community Hall: This cozy room has a warm, inviting feel and is perfect for a more intimate gathering like a small bridal shower, birthday, or rehearsal dinner. The kitchenette is separated from the hall by a counter which serves as a pass-thru for food and beverages. Capacity for banquet seating is 40, card table seating is 44, and auditorium seating is 50.
- Library: This space is a great small meeting room for eight to twelve people. Perfect for a bridal room, or waiting room for guest speakers or dignitaries to relax before their big moment.
- Programming/Craft Room: This multi-purpose room is ideal for meetings, lectures, and classes. It has a white board, sink, and counter space with classroom style lighting. Capacity for conference table seating is 32, auditorium seating is 45, and card table seating is 24.

Outdoor rental options include:

• Outdoor Patio: The landscaped patio with tables adjacent to the Main Hall will lure guests outdoors for dining, fellowship, or quiet relaxation.

The Civic Center provides equipment, appliances and staff support that will allow you to enjoy your special event without the stress and high costs associated with private banquet facilities. Ample parking is available for guests in the adjacent parking lot, with easy access to Dempster Street.

For more information, visit www.mortongroveil. org/resident-information/civic-center-rental. If you have questions about space availability, rates, room sizes, and other accommodations, contact the Civic Center Rental Coordinator, Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at 847-663-3071 or by email at Ihanover@mortongroveil.org.

Community Garage Sale

The Village hosts an annual community-wide garage sale. Participating residents will receive complimentary signage and have their homes featured on a garage sale map. This is a great opportunity to find local treasures around Morton Grove, as well as clear out a few treasures of your own. To learn more and to register for the next community-wide garage sale, visit www. mortongroveil.org/village-wide-garage-sale. See "Garage Sale Permits" for information on permitting individual garage sales.

Complaints

General Complaints: For general complaints, concerns, questions, and comments, submit a contact form at www.mortongroveil.org/contact-us or call Village Hall at 847-663-4100.

Illegal Dumping Complaints: Illegal dumping is the disposal of waste outside of an authorized method such as curbside collection or a licensed waste dump. To report illegal dumping on public or private property in the Village, submit a complaint at www. mortongroveil.org/public-works/report-illicit**dumping** or call the Public Works Department at 847-470-5235.

Property Maintenance and Construction Complaints: To report suspected violations of property maintenance or construction regulations, or work without a permit, call the Department of Building and Inspectional Services at 847-470-5214. **Traffic-Related Complaints:** The Police Department encourages residents to call the Department's non-emergency number at 847-470-5200 with non-emergency traffic-related concerns. Whether the problem is speeding autos, stop sign violations, major intersection violations, hazardous parking violations, or immediate safety hazards, the Police Department can review and quite possibly remedy the problem immediately. However, if the complaints are related to new signage, new traffic control devices, new zone parking areas, changes to existing Municipal Code, or changes to speed limits, the process to remedy these concerns begins with a call to the Village Engineer at 847-470-5235 and ends with review by the Traffic Safety Commission or Village Board of Trustees.

Emergency Dispatch Services

Call 9-1-1 for fire, police, or EMS services. Stay calm, remain on the line, and be prepared to give as much information as possible, including the nature and location of the incident, the condition of persons involved, your location, a suspect's location or direction of travel, a suspect's description (head to toe, special identifiers), and a suspect's vehicle description (color, make, model, license plate, condition, special identifiers).

Police Department: Dial 9-1-1 to report any emergency that requires an immediate police response, (in-progress crimes, in-progress suspicious activities, or suspicious vehicles, etc.), or to report post-incident crimes or recent activities that require a police response to your location



for non-emergency reports or investigation. Dial 847-470-5200 to contact the Morton Grove Police Department non-emergency line for questions, requests, or information.

To report anonymous crime tips on the TipsHotLine, dial 847-663-3828. Email tipshotline@ mortongroveil.org to email crime tips.

Fire Department: Call 9-1-1 for fire and EMS services. Responders will be dispatched by the Regional Emergency Dispatch Center (RED Center), the dispatching agency for fire department emergency calls. RED Center is an integrated, multi-jurisdictional organization that facilitates an efficient and costeffective method for delivering fire suppression and emergency medical services. RED Center provides closest station response regardless of municipal boundary and coordinated central dispatching. It is also the headquarters for Division 3 of the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS). The purpose of MABAS is to provide immediate extra manpower and equipment to the scene of large fires and other disasters. Morton Grove is proud to have response times of under four minutes from calls for assistance.

Ambulance Calls: All Morton Grove paramedics are trained, certified, and receive continuing education through a comprehensive and contemporary program. The program complies with rigorous standards established by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) for emergency medical service personnel. Residents may sometimes see an ambulance from another town responding to a call in Morton Grove. During the course of a day, it is not unusual for two or three calls for an ambulance to come in at the same time.

Employment Opportunities

The Village only accepts applications and resumes in connection with specific advertised positions. Applications and resumes are not kept on file. Visit www.mortongroveil.org/government/employment**opportunities** to view open positions with the Village and for information on how to apply.

E-News & Alerts

The Village of Morton Grove sends out a weekly E-News email to anyone who signs up. To receive the regular Morton Grove E-News, sign up at www. mortongroveil.org/resident-information/emailnewsletter.

The Village also regularly publishes a newsletter or postcard for residents with information on upcoming events, ongoing projects, community achievements, and ways to keep your family and home safe. Newsletters and postcards are delivered by mail to residents' homes and can be downloaded at www. mortongroveil.org/resident-information/newsletter.

Fall Leaf Pick-Up

The Department of Public Works collects leaves in the fall. Stav tuned to the Morton Grove newsletter or postcard for the program's specific dates. Residents should rake leaves to the street where they will be removed on their regular street sweeping day. Do not place branches or any other debris in the street with leaves.

If residents choose to place leaves in containers for collection on their regular garbage pick-up day, the following procedures for yard waste collection must be followed:



- A dedicated 32-gallon can or biodegradable yard waste paper bag must be used.
- Each bag must have a yard waste sticker attached.
- Residents should not park vehicles on top of piles of leaves. The heat from an exhaust system could ignite the leaves

Fire Safety Services

To learn more about the following fire safety services offered by the Morton Grove Fire Department, call 847-470-5226.

Home Fire Safety Checklist: The Fire Department provides a safety checklist to help residents make a safety check of their home. The checklist should be reviewed with all members of your household and with your landlord, if appropriate. The *Home* Fire Safety Checklist is provided at the end of the Resident Handbook.

Fire Safety Inspections: Upon request, the Fire Department will assist residents in their efforts to provide a fire-safe environment in and around their home by conducting a fire safety inspection.

Juvenile Fire Setter Intervention: This program is available as an intervention and instructional program for parents and children with concerns about youth curiosity with fire.

Life Safety Code Enforcement: The Life Safety Code is the most widely used source for strategies to protect people based on building construction, protection, and occupancy features that minimize the effects of fire and related hazards. The Fire Department provides fire and life safety plan review and construction inspection of new and remodeled structures. To enhance public safety, the Department also conducts periodic inspections of existing commercial, industrial, educational, and multi-family residential buildings.

Public Education Services: The Fire Department sponsors and conducts extensive and ageappropriate fire and life safety education programs in community schools and through fire station tours. Fire Department presenters are also available at no cost to discuss fire service and emergency medical issues with community groups and organizations.

Flood Control Assistance Program

Many older homes in Morton Grove were installed with gravity sewer systems that make their basements more susceptible to flooding from sanitary sewer backups, especially during heavy and extended rain falls. During intense rains, the capacity of the sanitary sewer system is periodically not adequate to carry the peak flow, resulting in pressurized sewers. When pressurized, sewage can backflow through house sewers into basements if there is no backflow prevention device.

The Overhead Sewer and Flood Control Device Assistance Program provides a no-interest loan for a portion of the expense that a homeowner will incur to modify their home's plumbing in order to prevent sewage backflow into the house when the combined sewer is pressurized. There are two basic options available to the homeowner:

- 1. Modification of the soil stack to direct the flow out of the house in a new overhead sewer and elimination of all gravity drainage below the basement floor slab.
- 2. Installation of an exterior backflow prevention valve and bypass pump on the house lateral in an underground vault.

Each approach has different costs and degrees of homeowner disruption, as well as different implications on the homeowner's use of the revised plumbing. This program does not include updating or enhancements to current systems, however, our Building Department will inspect your current system for free. If you have an old system and choose to replace the entire system then this program will help cover these costs.

Loans made by the Village will be limited to 50% of the actual contractual construction cost, up to a maximum of \$5,000. The program is on a first come, first serve basis and applications received will be prioritized and authorized on availability of Village funding. The Village reserves the right to alter, postpone, or cancel the program from year to year as funding is dependent on budgetary and financial constraints of the Village. For more information and to apply, visit www.mortongroveil.org/ public-works/overhead-sewer-and-flood-controlassistance-program.

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)

The Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) governs the inspection of public records. This Act guarantees access to thousands of documents and records generated by governmental bodies. Specifically, it provides the public with a mechanism to observe government in action and to monitor the actions that government takes. In order to properly comply with this Act, the Village of Morton Grove makes public records available to the public, subject to certain exemptions.

The Village's designated FOIA Officer is Teresa Hoffman Liston, Corporation Counsel. Requests for records may be submitted online at www. villageofmortongroveil.nextrequest.com/requests/ new, mailed to the FOIA Officer (6101 Capulina Avenue), submitted in person at Village Hall during normal business hours, or emailed to the FOIA Officer at tliston@mortongroveil.org.

The Village will respond to FOIA requests within five business days of receipt, or twenty-one days for commercial requests. The Village will approve the request, partially approve the request, deny the request, give notice of an extension, or provide the requester with an opportunity to appeal a response. For more information, call 847-663-3007.



Garage Sale Permits

Anyone wishing to host a garage sale or yard sale on residential property in Morton Grove is required to obtain a Garage Sale Permit from the Village. Only used clothing, household goods, wares, and merchandise owned by the holder(s) of the Garage Sale Permit are permitted to be sold at a garage or yard sale. Hours of operation are limited to between 9:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., Thursday through Sunday. No more than two (2) permits may be issued for any residential property in a single calendar year. The Garage Sale Permit fee is \$10.00. Permits are issued by the Village's Finance Department at Village Hall (6101 Capulina Avenue). Restrictions include:

- Only Village-issued garage sale signs may be used to advertise a garage or yard sale in the Village.
- All non-Village-issued signs and items used to draw attention to the sale, including, but not limited to, banners, streamers, and loudspeakers, are prohibited.
- Each sign must have a current Village-issued permit for the sale to be conducted affixed to the front and back of the sign.
- The Village will provide two (2) garage sale signs and four (4) stickers for each permit issued. Additional signs (stickers included) are available for \$5.00 each and additional permit stickers are available for \$1.00 each.
- At least one (1) sign with the affixed permit must be prominently displayed on the premise for which the permit has been issued so that it is

easily visible to persons passing by the premises.

- No more than five (5) Village-issued garage sale signs may be displayed for any one sale.
- Signs may be displayed only on the date(s) listed on the permit and shall be removed before 9:00 p.m. on the day the sale ends.
- Signs are not allowed within the public right-ofway and may not be attached to any fence, post, wall, tree, pole, or upon any other structure in any street, highway, alley, or public place in the Village.

To obtain Garage Sale Permit Application, visit Village Hall or www.mortongroveil.org/garage-saleinformation.

Garbage, Recycling, & Landscape Waste

Groot Recycling and Waste Services, Inc., is currently under contract with the Village of Morton Grove to provide garbage, recycling, and landscape waste collection services.

Collection Schedule

Each week, residents east of the North Branch of the Chicago River are serviced on Tuesday and residents west of the North Branch are serviced on Wednesday. Hours of collection are from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. All solid waste (refuse, recycling, and landscape waste) must be ready for collection no later than 6:00 a.m.

Residents are reminded that three different trucks come through the Village on collection day: one for recyclables, one for regular garbage, and one for yard waste. There may be several hours between the different pick-ups. Because collection is permitted between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., your pick-up times may vary from week to week, depending on a driver's schedule.

Curbside Recycling Guidelines, prepared by the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC), are provided at the end of the Resident Handbook.



Holidays Observed

The following holidays are observed for the purpose of Groot's collection scheduling:

- New Year's Day
- Memorial Day
- Labor Day
- 4th of July
- Christmas Day

Collections will be delayed one day after a holiday. If the holiday falls on a Sunday, there will be no collection on Monday and services will be delayed one day for the remainder of the week. If the holiday falls on a Saturday, there will be no change to your regular pick-up day. If a holiday falls on a weekday, service will be delayed one day later for the remainder of the week.

Bulk Items

Groot service includes collection of one bulk item (not appliances or items over 50 lbs.) per week at no additional cost. For additional bulk items. residents should call Groot at 800-244-1977 to schedule a pick-up in advance for a fee of \$30.00 per item pick-up. Bulk items include: boxes, barrels, crates, furniture, and similar items that do not fit into a proper container and can be safely collected and lifted by one driver without assistance. Exceptions include items which are banned from direct disposal into a landfill, such as appliances, tires, car batteries, televisions and other electronic waste.

Residents must call Groot to schedule a special pick-up for oversized items or any single large or extra heavy item. An example of an oversized item is a piano or any item that requires two or more people to safely lift. There will be an additional cost for oversized items. Call Groot at 800-244-1977 for additional details.

"White Goods" Removal

Groot will collect "white goods," as defined by the Illinois Environmental Protection Act, for a cost billed to the resident. White goods include refrigerators, freezers, ovens, washers, air conditioners, humidifiers, dehumidifiers, dryers, water heaters, water softeners, dishwashers, stoves, ranges, and furnaces. These items require a special pick-up and separate disposal, per the State of Illinois. White goods will be picked up for a fee of \$45.00 per appliance. Residents must call Groot at 800-244-1977 to schedule a pick-up in advance.

Special Pick-Ups

Special pick-ups for items not included in weekly collection may be scheduled for an additional charge by calling Groot 800-244-1977. A Groot supervisor can perform an estimate of the collection in advance upon request

For household products that cannot go into the curbside recycling program or landfills, there are several ways to dispose of these materials through programs organized by the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC). Morton Grove is a member community of this regional,



intergovernmental agency. As a member, Morton Grove residents are provided with a variety of waste management services, programs, and resource materials that include collections for special materials that are not allowed as part of the curbside recycling program or should not go into garbage due to toxicity or recoverability.

Illinois law prohibits the disposal of certain waste in landfills. These items must be disposed of by methods other than regular garbage and recycling collection. Please observe these regulations, or your trash will not be collected. Visit **swancc.org** for more information on how to dispose of these items. The following items are banned from landfills:

- Automobile Tires
- Automobile Batteries
- Explosive, Toxic, Hazardous & Volatile Waste
- Flammable Waste
- · Gasoline, Motor Oil, Anti-Freeze
- Large Automobile Parts & Wheels
- Acids & Poisons
- Swimming Pool Chemicals
- CFL Bulbs, Florescent Bulbs
- Electronic Waste

The Village also offers special collections of some items at the following locations:

Morton Grove Civic Center

847-663-3071

6140 Dempster Street

Accepts sharps disposals and medications during regular business hours.

Morton Grove Fire Station 4

847-470-5226

6250 Lincoln Avenue

Accepts sharps disposals and medications during regular business hours.

Morton Grove Village Hall

847-663-3030

6101 Capulina Avenue

Accepts CFL bulbs, eyeglasses, mercury thermometers, and thermostats during regular business hours.

Battery Recycling

Regular alkaline, manganese, and carbon-zinc batteries are not considered hazardous waste and can be disposed of with ordinary trash. Other common single-use or rechargeable batteries such as lithium and button batteries are recyclable, but must be dropped off at an approved battery recycling location. Remember to be mindful of packaging these properly to prevent a fire hazard. Place individual batteries in a plastic bag and wrap with plastic wrap or tape the terminals with electrical or duct tape. This will prevent sparking, which can lead to a fire. Approved battery recycling locations include:

- Home Depot | 8650 Dempster Street | 847-298-7547
- Milwaukee Factory Services | 6310 Gross Point Road | 847-588-3502
- Lowe's | 3601 Touhy Avenue | 847-972-4041
- Batteries Plus Bulbs | 5708 Touhy Avenue | 847-647-9100

Construction or Remodeling Debris

Construction and remodeling debris will not be taken as a part of the regular garbage pickup. Removal of these materials must be made through a separate contract for a dumpster. Up to 1 cubic yard (3' x 3' x 3') of miscellaneous debris or construction material from do-it-yourself projects will be collected by Groot each week at no additional charge. Construction type debris should be stacked or bundled in lengths no longer than 4 feet and no larger than 2 feet in diameter. Carpeting should be in rolls no longer than 4 feet long and two feet in diameter and taped. In general, try and keep any loose material bundled and neat for pick-up. Stone, concrete, and dirt can only be picked up in containers and cannot weigh more than 45 pounds per container. If more than 1 cubic yard, please

call Groot at 800-244-1977 to arrange a pick-up. Additional charges will apply.

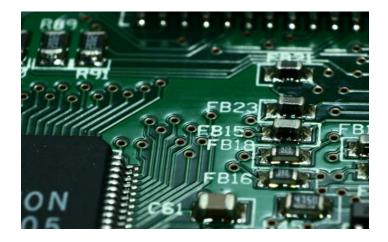
Electronic Waste (E-Waste) Disposal

Illinois-adopted legislation bans certain electronic items, including televisions and computers, from being disposed of in landfills. Residents are reminded to dispose of unwanted electronics in a responsible manner. The Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC) offers the residents of member communities like Morton Grove opportunities to recycle electronic waste. Residents must drop-off their electronics at specified locations on the days and times specified. There is no fee for this service and unloading assistance is provided. Collection locations will be closed on national holidays and in severe weather.

Only Morton Grove residents and residents of other SWANCC member communities may participate in this service. IDs will be checked. Do not drop off electronics other than during posted dates and times. For a list of accepted materials and for current dropoff locations, dates, and times, visit

swancc.org/recycling-directory/electronics-recycling.

Groot also offers the option of curbside collection of E-Waste for a fee of \$35.00 per pick-up, with a limit of six devices per pick-up fee. Groot will bill the resident directly. Collection must be prepaid and scheduled at least one business day in advance of collection by calling Groot at 800-244-1977.



Landscape Waste

The landscape waste collection season is March 15 through December 15. Landscape which is too bulky to be placed in a bag, such as branches or brush, must be securely tied and bundled with biodegradable twine. Bundles cannot exceed 4 feet in length, can be no larger than 2 feet in diameter, and can weigh no more than 45 pounds. Acceptable landscape includes: grass clippings, leaves, branches, brush, and garden plants. Residents have several options for the disposal of landscape waste: the Landscape Waste Subscription Program, the Landscape Sticker Program, the Landscape Waste/ Food Scrap Cart Subscription Program, and the Collective Resource Composting Program. These four programs are detailed in the following sections.

Landscape Sticker Program: Any container or bag used for landscape waste must have a landscape sticker placed on it. The sticker fee is \$2.29 per sticker, or five for \$11.45. Residents must apply one sticker to each bag, bundle, or container of landscape waste. A new sticker must be placed on your bag, bundle, or container for each pick-up. Stickers can be purchased from the following local retailers:

- Village of Morton Grove | 6101 Capulina Avenue 847-965-4100
- Jewel-Osco | Milwaukee & Oakton | 847-965-3925
- Menards | 6301 Oakton Street | 847-966-1600
- Morton Grove Food Mart | Lincoln & Marmora | 847-965-3810

Landscape Waste Subscription Program: This program costs \$120.00 per season and provides service from March 15 through December 15 of each year. Participating residents may place up to three (3) landscape waste bags or bundles on each landscape waste collection day without a landscape waste sticker. Residents can also acquire a landscape two-wheel cart from the vendor. Any bag or bundle in excess of the above stated amount must have a landscape waste sticker.



Landscape Waste/Food Scrap Cart Subscription

Program: Residents may participate in food waste composting by subscribing to the 95- or 65-gallon Landscape Waste/Food Scrap Cart Subscription Program offered by Groot. The 95-gallon container costs \$160.00 per season and the 65-gallon container costs \$140.00 per season. Any bag or bundle placed outside of the cart will require a prepaid sticker to be affixed to each item. Food scraps can only be placed in the Groot provided container.

Acceptable food scraps for composting include fruits, vegetables, bread, grains, pasta, cereal, nonliquid dairy, eggshells, coffee grounds (no coffee filters), and tea leaves (no teabags).

Unacceptable food scraps include teabags and coffee filters, meat, poultry or seafood (no shells or bones), paper products (paper towels, plates, napkins, egg cartons, and pizza boxes), glass, plastics, styrofoam, diapers, pet litter and waste, liquids, grease, and oil.

Collective Resource Composting Program: The Village offers a residential and commercial food scrap collection program to Morton Grove residents and businesses through Collective Resource Compost (CRC) of Evanston. Through CRC, Morton Grove residents have the option of using 5-gallon lidded buckets or 32-gallon bagged totes to compost either on their own or communally. CRC collects year-round and has a longer list of acceptable items than the yard cart program, most notably teabags and coffee filters, meat, poultry, and seafood. Compostable disposables such as



paper towels, plates, napkins, egg cartons, and pizza boxes and compostable plastics are all accepted.

Residents using the Landscape Waste/Food Scrap Cart Subscription Program are offered a Winter Gap Program using CRC's container-swap program to continue diverting their food scraps until the yard cart program picks up again in the spring.

Prepaid basic bucket service is \$27.00 per week. CRC also offers winter gap compost service during the time the Landscape Waste/Food Scrap Cart Subscription Program is inactive. Service options and pricing for the winter season and more information on CRC's services are available at collectiveresource.us/compostingin-evanston-morton-grove-skokie. To sign up for service or to contact CRC with questions, visit collectiveresource.us/contact.

Gun Safety Resources & Gun Locks

The Morton Grove Police Department takes gun safety seriously. The Department actively promotes gun safety and offers free gun locks and brochures to Morton Grove residents. Stop by the front window of the Police Department (6101 Capulina Avenue) and request a gun lock from the desk officer. For more information, call 847-470-5200.

If you feel endangered by a family member or other person who has access to a firearm, you should call 9-1-1 and seek immediate assistance from the Morton Grove Police Department. Police officers will respond right away and take steps to make the situation safe.

The Illinois Firearms Restraining Order (FRO) is a law that allows family or household members and law enforcement officers to obtain a court order that temporarily prohibits an at-risk person from accessing firearms or obtaining any new firearms. The firearm removal and purchase restriction can last from fourteen days to six months, depending on the type of order and what the judge thinks is appropriate. Only when the order expires or is terminated may firearms be returned to the restrained person. A six-month FRO may be renewed before it expires if the danger still exists. Illinois is among 17 states, plus the District of Columbia, which have some version of "extreme risk protection orders" (ERPOs), more commonly known as "red flag laws".

Family members, including spouses, parents, grandparents, children, and stepchildren, roommates, and law enforcement officers can file a petition to obtain a FRO with the Circuit Court in the county which the person to be restrained resides. A health provider cannot petition directly for a FRO. If a patient has risk factors such as an emotional crisis or dementia, and is demonstrating signs of being dangerous such as suicidal thoughts, aggression, public threats of violence, or is exhibiting other dangerous behaviors, you may consider contacting your local police department, or advising a client's family member about the FRO. Educating patients and families about the FRO can help reduce the potential for danger when a gun is present in the home of someone who is at risk of harming



themselves or others. In case of emergency, you may need to contact the local police department, who can serve a FRO as soon as it is issued.

For more information on the FRO, call 847-470-5200. If you feel threatened or believe someone is in danger, call 9-1-1 for help.

Health Equipment Lending Closet

The Village of Morton Grove is pleased to offer residents the Health Equipment Lending Closet Program. The Lending Closet offers health care equipment that is loaned out free-of-charge on a first come, first serve basis. Participants must be residents of Morton Grove and must return any borrowed items to the Lending Closet when they no longer reside in Morton Grove or move to a nursing home. Items from the Lending Closet will be loaned out for up to a twelve-month period. After twelve months, the item may be recalled if needed.

The Village asks that participants return items as soon as they are no longer in use so that they may be lent to other residents in need. The Lending Closet is located at the Morton Grove Civic Center (6140 Dempster Street) and is open from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. For more information, call 847-663-3070.

Identity Theft Resources

Identity theft and associated crimes may occur under many different circumstances and include the unauthorized use of a person's identifying information such as social security numbers, date of birth, credit card numbers, and/or passwords. Morton Grove Police Department personnel are often called into service on criminal incidents that involve identity theft and fraud. Remember the following tips to prevent identity theft:

- Don't give out your social security number.
- Check your credit report yearly for fraudulent activity.

- Shred personal documents before discarding.
- Don't leave any personal mail or checks in unlocked mailboxes.
- Don't carry around personal documents unnecessarily.
- Never give out your credit card number or other personal information over the phone or through e-mail to untrusted persons.
- Carefully review your credit card statements and phone bills for unauthorized use.

If you become a victim of identity theft, immediately do the following:

- Contact the fraud units of the three credit report bureaus and ask for a credit report to identify fraudulent activity and to flag your account with a fraud alert.
 - 1. Equifax | 800-525-6285 | **equifax.com**
 - 2. Experian | 888-397-3742 | **experian.com**
 - 3. Trans Union | 800-680-7289 | transunion.com
- Make a report with the various law enforcement departments that may have jurisdiction.
- · Contact the Social Security Administration at oig. ssa.gov/fraud/report-fraud or call 800-269-0271.
- File a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) at **ftccomplaintassistant.gov**.
- File a complaint with the Internet Crime Complaint Center at ic3.gov.

Infant Car Seat Inspection

If you are a resident of Morton Grove and have any questions on car seats or need assistance installing one, the Morton Grove Police Department is available to help. If you would like to schedule an appointment, stop by the front desk of the Police Department (6101 Capulina Avenue) or call 847-470-5200.

J.U.L.I.E.

Underground utilities exist everywhere, even in your yard. Residents must call J.U.L.I.E. (Joint Utility Locating Information for Excavators) before digging on their property. Also known as the Illinois One-Call System, J.U.L.I.E. is a free message service for homeowners and contractors to notify utility owners of planned digging activities to help prevent damage to underground facilities. J.U.L.I.E. will locate all underground utilities in the area where digging will occur It is essential that before you begin a construction project on your property, you have all utilities located. Failure to locate utilities before digging may result in severe injury to yourself or damage to the utilities during digging. Should you damage utilities during excavation, you will be responsible for the repairs, which are often costly.

Call 800-892-0123 or dial 811 at least two (2) working days before the start of your work or enter your location request online at illinois1call.com. Within two (2) working days of your call, representatives from each member utility, not J.U.L.I.E. employees, will come out and mark the approximate location of their buried lines. J.U.L.I.E. requests are valid for 28 days, so flags and markings should not be removed before that time if work is not fully completed. When underground utilities are located, a flag or painted marks will be left to indicate the utility locations. The following colors are used to identify the different utilities:

Gas, Oil, Steam	Sewer
Electric	Water
Communications	Proposed Excavation
Temporary Survey Markings	Proposed Excavation (Snow Present)



Morton Grove Days

Morton Grove Days is a multi-day celebration of country and community spirit. Held over the Fourth of July every year, this special event features live music, a carnival, Fourth of July parade, fireworks, beer garden, food, and loads of family entertainment. Morton Grove Days is organized and sponsored by the Morton Grove Days Commission, an independent 501(C)(3) organization made up entirely of volunteers. The Commission consists of nine trustees and various committees to manage the 4th of July Festival. The committees rely on volunteers to work and private donations to fund the sponsored events. The Village of Morton Grove and Morton Grove Park District serve as partners to the Morton Grove Days Commission to make this event an annual success. The event is held at the Morton Grove Civic Center (6140 Dempster Street) and adjacent Harrer Park. To learn more, visit mortongrovedays.org.

Neighborhood Outreach

The Village of Morton Grove holds regular neighborhood outreach meetings at various locations throughout the year. At these meetings, residents have the opportunity to meet face-to-face with representatives from all Village departments, ask questions, and receive updates on Village projects. Check for the next neighborhood outreach meeting on the Village's calendar of events at www.mortongroveil.org/meetings-events.

Outstanding Neighbor Recognition

The Morton Grove Community Relations Commission wants to give you the opportunity to acknowledge your outstanding neighbor for doing special things that make your neighborhood a better place. He or she may be a youth, a teenager, a longtime resident, new to Morton Grove, a senior resident, or a business that makes a positive difference in your neighborhood. He or she may be known by everyone or an unsung hero.

To nominate an individual or group for recognition as an Outstanding Neighbor, complete the nomination form at www.mortongroveil.org/ outstanding-neighbor-recognition-program and let the Village know why you believe your nominee is an Outstanding Neighbor. If selected, you and your Outstanding Neighbor will be recognized at a Village Board meeting and in various Village social media and printed publications.

Police Explorer Program

The Police Department's Police Explorer Program is a career education program for youth and young adults between the ages of 13 and 20 who are interested in a career in law enforcement. The program is ongoing and meets one to two times a month. The Morton Grove Police Explorer program will provide a comprehensive program of training, competition, service, and practical skills. For questions about the program and for a schedule of upcoming meetings, contact the Police Department's Community Liaison Unit at 847-470-5200.



Property Information

Morton Grove residents can obtain property information through the Village's online Community Portal. Visit www.mortongroveil.org and click on the "Community Portal" icon. The Community Portal provides information on property attributes, zoning, school districts, local services, government representatives, and property taxes.

For property owners seeking records on file with the Village relating to their property, a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request can be submitted to the Village at www.mortongroveil.org/freedom-of**information-request**. See "Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)" for more information about this service.

Residential Key Box Program

The Village of Morton Grove Fire Department and Police Department make key boxes available for residential use. During an emergency, the boxes enable first responders to access your home without damaging the door. For more information and to request a key box, call the Morton Grove Fire Department at 847-470-5226 or the Morton Grove Police Department at 847-470-5200.

Roadway Maintenance

The Public Works Department's Street Division maintains all at-grade and above-grade roadways within the Village's rights-of-way and alleys. The Village's pavement network consists of 97 miles of streets and 14 miles of paved alleys. Maintenance operations include street sweeping, landscaping, repairing pavement, pavement markings, sidewalks and curbs, leaf collection, tree trimming (removal and replacement), snow removal, ice control and storm damage cleanup. In addition to Village-owned infrastructure, the Streets Division maintains 7 miles of State roadway along Dempster Street and Waukegan Road. For more information about the Village's roadway maintenance program, call the Public Works Department at 847-470-5235.

Santa Comes to Town

Every winter, the Village of Morton Grove, the Morton Grove Days Commission, and the Morton Grove Park District present Santa Comes to Town, a family-friendly parade event. The annual event involves "Santa" being escorted on a predetermined route through Morton Grove neighborhoods while distributing candy to children along the way. Children receiving a specially marked piece of candy can redeem the treat for an age-appropriate gift by visiting Santa at a separate location later that day. A route map will be made available in advance of the event.

Security Alarm Program

Responding to security system alarms is a special service provided by the Morton Grove Police Department, Residents and businesses with security alarm systems must register annually with the Village. The annual fee to register an alarm system is \$50. The registration is valid from January 1 through December 31. The fee is pro-rated for new alarm installations. Please contact the Morton Grove Police Department Alarm Services Section to determine the pro-rated fee. The alarm fee offsets the costs to run the alarm response program, which maintains information to assist officers that may need to respond to the alarm. The alarm fee also provides an alarm system with three (3) free false alarms a year before a fine is assessed.

Alarm users can register online, by mail, or in person at Village Hall (6101 Capulina Avenue). More information can be found at www.mortongroveil. org/police-department/alarm-faq, by calling the Police Department Alarm Services Section at 847-663-3991, or by emailing mgalarms@mortongroveil. org.



Senior Health & Wellness Programs

A variety of health and wellness programs for Morton Grove senior residents and are made available by the Department of Family and Senior Services in conjunction with various partnering agencies and service providers. The Morton Grove Civic Center (6140 Dempster Street) serves as a focal point for the Department of Family and Senior Services, where a multiplicity of social, health, and recreational services are provided in a caring and professional manner designed to keep individuals healthy, productive and independent for as long as possible. Please note that some programs require registration. While many are provided at no cost, others have a nominal fee or bill insurance. A list of upcoming events can be found at www. mortongroveil.org/family-and-senior-services. Call 847-663-3070 for more information.

AARP Driver Safety Program

AARP's "Driver Safety Program" is an eight-hour, two-day course for motorists age 55 and older. The program focuses on the physical changes that accompany aging and on ways drivers can compensate for these changes in improving their driving skills. Upon completion, drivers may receive a discount on a portion of their automobile insurance. The cost of the course is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members. In-person registration is required at the Morton Grove Civic Center (6140 Dempster Street). For more information, call 847-663-3070.

Discount Taxi Coupons

Discount taxi coupons are available for Morton Grove senior residents at the Morton Grove Civic Center (6140 Dempster Street). Seniors can pickup coupons on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday during normal hours of operation. For more information, call 847-663-3070.

Health Equipment Lending Closet

See "Health Equipment Lending Closet."

Prescription Drug and Sharps Disposal

The Department of Family and Senior Services, in conjunction with the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC), is sponsoring a program for the environmentally-safe disposal of unused prescription drugs, expired "over the counter" drugs, and needles, otherwise known as "sharps". Sharps disposal provides residents who self-inject medications the option of bringing in their used sharps for proper disposal. The program helps to prevent sharps from entering the household waste system. Acceptable items for prescription drug disposal include unused prescription medications, expired prescription medications, prescription cough syrup, prescription eye drops and expired over-thecounter medications. Pharmaceutical controlled substances will not be accepted.

Prescription drugs and sharps can be dropped off at the Morton Grove Civic Center (6140 Dempster Street), Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. For more information, call 847-663-3070.

Social Service Assistance

The Village's Social Worker can provide social service assistance to those in need. The Social Worker can be reached during normal business hours at 847-663-3072.

Severe Storm Damage Clean-Up

As a service to residents, the Village will pick up fallen branches that have fallen on private property after a severe storm. These branches must be cut to no greater than 4 feet in length and placed in the public parkway immediately after the storm event. Collection of storm debris will continue for five business days following a storm event. Any storm debris not placed on the public parkway or without a call to the Public Works Department by the following Monday will become the responsibility of the property owner to dispose of. You can contact the Public Works Department at 847-470-5235 to report storm damage.

Sewer Connection

Per Village ordinance, sump pumps are not allowed to be connected to the Village's sanitary sewer system. Homeowners should check their downspouts and sump pump connections to be sure they have not been reinstalled into the Village's sanitary sewer. All sump pumps and ejector pumps currently used for sewage removal can remain connected to the sanitary sewer.

Commonly, basements in in homes built before 1970 may have one sump pump well, which collects groundwater from the foundation drains installed around the foundation of the house. Water that comes from foundation drains and downspouts is considered storm water and should only discharge outside of the home into the grass. Sometimes floor drains in basement floors may have been installed to also drain into the sump pump well. Floor drains are considered sanitary water and should drain directly into a gravity sanitary service below the basement floor or through an ejector pump pit for an overhead sewer system. Residents should check this plumbing to make sure sanitary water and storm water discharges are physically separated. It may require the assistance of a license plumber to confirm exact drainage points.

The property owner is responsible for all maintenance and repair of the sewer line that runs from their building to the sewer main in the Village right-of-way. The Public Works Department maintains and repairs all Village catch basins along with the storm, sanitary, and combination systems. The Village also repairs blockages and damage to the main sewer system.

The Village continues to study and improve the local sewer system, but the assistance of property owners is needed to maximize these efforts. Property owners can help by ensuring that their downspouts and sump pumps are disconnected from the sanitary sewer or combined sewer system. When illegally connected to either of these sewer systems, downspouts and sump pumps are significant contributors to system backups. Instead, downspouts and sump pumps should discharge onto the ground. This delays the entry of the storm water into the sewer systems and helps prevent the systems from backing up. Great care needs to be taken to ensure these discharges do not cross property lines, causing neighboring properties to develop problems. For more information on Morton Grove's sewer system, call the Public Works Department at 847-470-5235.

Smart 911

Smart911 is a free service available to all Village residents that allows individuals and families to sign up online to provide key information to 9-1-1 call takers during an emergency. When a citizen makes an emergency call, their Safety Profile is automatically displayed to the 9-1-1 call taker, allowing them to send the right response teams to the right location with the right information. Citizens are encouraged to create their Safety Profile with Smart911 today to have their information immediately available to 9-1-1. Smart911 is private and secure, is only used for emergency responses, and only made available to the 9-1-1 system in the event of an emergency call. Smart911 is currently available in



40 states and more than 1,500 municipalities across the country, and has been credited with positively impacting emergency outcomes.

According to Chief of Police, Mike Simo, "The resident can provide us with information in advance that they believe is important, which saves time and is more efficient in an emergency when stress levels are high, and communication is important but often difficult." Visit www.smart911.com for more information and to sign up for this free service.

Snow & Ice Removal

It is the Village's policy to begin salting or deicing operations as soon as precipitation begins to fall onto the streets in winter. Snow plowing begins when approximately one (1) inch of snow accumulates on the streets and continues until all the streets are cleared.

The snow removal crews in the Public Works Department pride themselves with providing residents the cleanest and safest streets in the area. While the Village receives many complimentary notes each winter thanking the crews for their efforts, it does receive a few complaints about snow being pushed up into driveways by the snowplows. Because there is no other place for the snow to go, the amount pushed back into a driveway can be reduced by the following suggestions:

 When you shovel your driveway, place the snow on the adjacent parkway (to the right side of the driveway if facing the street) and not in

the street. Shoveling the snow back onto the roadway is not only unsafe, it is illegal. Violators will be ticketed for each offense.

- If you are unable to clean your driveway or approach, you should make arrangements with a private contractor for cleaning. Village staff cannot clean private driveways due to the amount of time involved.
- When a snowfall of an inch is anticipated, you should park your cars in a driveway to make plowing more effective.



In Morton Grove, new residents should be aware that snow routes have been established to facilitate the efficient clearing of streets by Public Works personnel and to keep roadways clear for emergency vehicles to respond during snow emergencies. Snow routes are marked with red, white, and blue signage and restrict parking when snow accumulation is over 1 inch. If a vehicle is parked in a snow route area during restricted times, the vehicle will be ticketed.

The following streets have been designated as snow route streets:

- Austin Avenue. Oakton Street to Beckwith Road
- Beckwith Road, Waukegan Road to Washington Street
- Capulina Avenue, Austin Avenue to Ferris Avenue
- Central Avenue, Theobald Road to Golf Road
- Church Street, Oriole Avenue to Washington Street
- Greenwood Avenue, Waukegan Road to Ozark Avenue
- Lake Street, Harlem Avenue to Oleander Avenue
- Lake Street. Linder Avenue to Parkview School
- Menard Avenue, Oakton Street to Capri Lane
- Oak Park Avenue, Dempster Street to Beckwith Road
- Oleander Avenue, Lake Street to Suffield Avenue



- Oriole Avenue, Dempster Street to Wilson Terrace
- Ozark Avenue. Demoster Street to Palma Lane
- Suffield Avenue, Oleander Avenue to Ozark Avenue
- Theobald Road. Central Avenue to Marmora Avenue

Social Media

The Village of Morton Grove maintains an active Facebook page. Be sure to "Like" the Village's page to stay up-to-date on the latest news, events, photos, videos, and other information issued by the Village. View the Village's page at facebook.com/ VillageOfMortonGrove.

The Morton Grove Police Department maintains its own Facebook Page at facebook.com/ MortonGrovePoliceDepartment. "Like" the Police Department's page for regular updates and tips on how to keep your family and home safe.

The Village of Morton Grove regularly uploads video recordings of Board of Trustees meetings and various community events to YouTube. "Subscribe" to the Village's YouTube channel at youtube.com/user/ MortonGrovelLyt to be notified of new videos.

Social Services

The Village coordinates social services through the Village's Social Worker, who can provide social service assistance to those in need. The Social Worker can be reached during normal business hours at 847-663-3072.

Special Event Permits

Special events enhance our quality of life and community character, and build resident bonds. They also involve advanced planning and logistics, and can create impacts that require Village services and regulation. The Village of Morton Grove's Special Event Permit process has been developed to ensure that these events are safe and enjoyable for residents, participants, and guests alike.

Event organizers planning a special event in Morton Grove should contact the Village Administrator's office as soon as possible. Generally, event organizers must apply for a Special Event Permit at least 90 days before the event. If alcohol will be served at the event or if more than 500 people are expected to attend the event, the application must be submitted by September 1 of the year preceding the event. Under special circumstances, and especially if the event or activity needs minimal Village service, the Village Administrator will accept late applications.

For more information on planning a special event, please call 847-470-5220. A Special Event Permit can be downloaded at www.mortongroveil.org/services/ i-want-to/special-event-permit-application.

Street Lighting

Morton Grove prides itself on being a safe community. Quality street lighting is instrumental in deterring crime. If you notice a street light that is out of service, please call the Public Works Department at 847-470-5235 to request a repair.



Street Cleaning

The Village is proud to provide residents, businesses, and visitors with clean streets. A Public Works Department street cleaner cleans the streets once a week. In some neighborhoods, there are signs notifying residents of parking restrictions to allow for the completion of street cleaning services. Please be aware of posted restrictions to avoid citations.

Sustainable Morton Grove

The Village of Morton Grove is committed to promoting and creating a more sustainable environment through the 2021 Sustainability Plan, the Environment and Natural Resources Commission (ENRC), and a variety of programs, initiatives, and resources. To learn about upcoming events and what the Village is doing to promote sustainability throughout the community, visit www.mortongroveil. org/environmentnaturalresources.

Arbor Dav

The National Arbor Day Foundation first designated Morton Grove a Tree City USA community in 2000 and the Village has been recertified every year since. The Tree City USA program provides Morton Grove with a framework to maintain and enhance the local tree canopy and demonstrates the Village's commitment to the mission of environmental change. Every Arbor Day, which is observed on the last Friday of April, the Village engages with local schools to educate youth about the benefits of trees. The Village plants a tree at a local school and distributes seedlings to students. Residents are welcome to attend the Arbor Day tree planting ceremony.

Earth Day

The Village honors Earth Day, an annual event on April 22, through a month-long celebration featuring interactive programming and educational outreach. With direction and assistance from the Environment and Natural Resources Commission (ENRC), the



Village features local and regional initiatives. releases educational materials, and presents approachable opportunities for residents to reduce their environmental impact.

Sustainability Plan

The Village continues to be an active environmental steward through local initiatives and participation in regional efforts to promote cleaner air, energy conservation, land preservation, sustainability, waste reduction, and water conservation. In January 25, 2021, the Village Board of Trustees adopted the Morton Grove Sustainability Plan. The Plan was prepared with guidance from the Chicago Metropolitan Mayors Caucus based on principles of the 2016 Greenest Region Compact, and with input from the Environment and Natural Resources Commission (ENRC). The Plan is intended to guide the Village's efforts from 2020 to 2030 and sets forth goals and priority strategies for climate, economic development, energy, land, mobility, municipal operation, waste, and water. To view the Plan, visit www.mortongroveil.org/ environmentnaturalresources.

Televised Broadcast

Residents can watch Village meetings and community programming from the comfort of home. Board meetings are made available for television broadcast the week of the meeting on local cable access Channel 6 and AT&T U-Verse Channel 99 - Morton Grove. Village Board meetings and other informational meetings are televised under the following schedule:

Monday & Thursday: 12:00 p.m. & 12:00 a.m. Tuesday & Friday: 6:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, Saturday - Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 9:00 p.m.

The Morton Grove public access channel also features a community TV schedule that highlights various Village departments and other community events. These programs are televised under the following schedule:

Monday & Thursday: 9:00 a.m. & 9:00 p.m. Tuesday & Friday: 12:00 p.m. & 12:00 a.m. Wednesday, Saturday - Sunday: 6:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Programming that features local businesses and non-profits is televised at the following times:

Monday & Thursday: 6:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Tuesday & Friday: 9:00 a.m. & 9:00 p.m. Wednesday, Saturday - Sunday: 12:00 p.m. & 12:00 a.m.

When there is no active programming at scheduled times, the station features general Village information.

Traffic Safety Program

The goal of the Morton Grove Police Department's Traffic Safety Program is to protect the lives of motorists and pedestrians, reduce accidents, and create a safer, more secure community. Coordinated efforts by Police Department personnel target school zones, high volume signal intersections, known excessive speed areas, and problematic intersections. The Police Department works closely with residents, the Village Engineer, and the Traffic Safety Commission to identify safety concerns and implement reasonable and effective solutions for neighborhoods. For more information, contact the Police Department at 847-470-5200.



Train Station Parking

Morton Grove has one of the busiest Metra train stops on the Milwaukee North Line. As a convenience to riders of the Metra trains, paid parking is available at the following locations: the Metra train station lot located on the east side of Lehigh Avenue at Chestnut Street, the marked parking spaces along Lehigh Avenue from Oakton Street to Lincoln Avenue, and in the marked spaces on Elm Street. There is also a permit-only parking lot across from the train station, on Chestnut Street west of Lehigh Avenue. For paid parking, you must pay the \$2.00 fee at the automated collection machines located at the train station. In order to park in the permit-only lot, you must obtain a permit at Village Hall (6101 Capulina Avenue).

If you park in the fee spaces without paying the fee or in the permit-only lot without a permit, you will be issued a ticket. If you did pay the fee, but a ticket was issued in error, please contact the Police Department non-emergency number at 847-470-5200.

Transfer Stamps

Before a deed for the sale or transfer of real estate within the Village of Morton Grove can be recorded, the seller or owner of the real estate must purchase a Village transfer stamp. Applications for transfer stamps can be submitted no sooner than two (2) weeks and no later than two (2) business days before the stamp is to be issued. The Village typically processes applications for transfer stamps

within two (2) business days. Early submissions are preferred to allow sufficient time to resolve any concerns regarding the search. A search can be requested before the application is submitted.

Transfer stamp applications can be submitted in person at Village Hall (6101 Capulina Avenue), by mail, or online to transferstamps@mortongroveil. org. Searches can be requested by phone at 847-663-3038 or by email.

Tree Protection

Tree preservation and protection is required for public parkway trees during construction. For more information on public parkway tree protection requirements, please contact the Public Works Department at 847-470-5235.

Tree Planting & Maintenance

2021 marked the twenty-first year that the Village of Morton Grove has been designated a Tree City USA community. The Village maintains approximately 11,000 trees on the public right-of-way. The Village prunes all of its trees on a nine-year pruning cycle. This is done through the services of a private contractor and the Public Works Department's Forestry Division. Residents may request their parkway trees to be pruned at any time during the year by calling Public Works at 847-470-5235. All tree removals are handled by Public Works staff. Trees are removed when they are considered to be dead, diseased, or hazardous. The Department does not authorize the removal of healthy trees.

For parkway areas without trees, the Village offers residents discounted public parkway tree plantings through the annual 50/50 Tree Planting Program. If a resident would like to choose a certain type of tree to be planted in the nearest parkway, the resident can do so by paying 50% of the cost. The program application deadline typically occurs in spring. To learn more, visit www. mortongroveil.org/public-works or call 847-470-5235.



The Village of Morton Grove's Tree Care Guide provides an overview of Morton Grove's tree canopy, describes common threats to tree health, and explains how residents can best care for trees on public and private property. The guide also includes important contact information, educational resources, and opportunities to get involved. You can download the Tree Care Guide at www. mortongroveil.org/trees.

Vacant Property Registration

Municipal Code requires the owner, manager, or lien holder of a building that has been vacant for thirty (30) days to register the building with the Village, unless the building is:

- 1. A single-family residence which was occupied by the owner for at least two (2) of the past six (6) months so long as the owner intends to resume residing at the property;
- 2. A residential multi-family building where at least 75% of the residential units in the building are occupied;
- 3. Property owned by governmental agencies;
- 4. Property that is undergoing an active permitted renovation or rehabilitation; or
- 5. Residential buildings that have been unoccupied for less than 12 months and are part of an estate that is in probate or similar decedent's estate proceeding and are not subject to bankruptcy or foreclosure.

The initial registration fee is \$500, which includes the cost of the initial inspection. The renewal fee is \$100. The Vacant Building Registration form must be updated and resubmitted annually and whenever there is a change in ownership, possession, or management. For more information, call the Department of Building and Inspectional Services at 847-470-5214.

Vacation Garbage Service Suspension

Morton Grove residents who are on vacation may suspend service in advance for one (1) to four (4) consecutive months each year. Contact Village Hall 847-965-4100 to apply.

Vacation Watch Program

The Morton Grove Police Department never goes on vacation but, because our residents do, we have a program to address this need. The Vacation Watch Program can be used by any resident of the Village who will be away from their home and would like the added security of regular police patrols of their property. The vacation watches should never take the place of using light timers, stopping newspaper deliveries or having a neighbor or relative keep a special watch. For more information or to set up a watch, call the Morton Grove Police Department non-emergency number at 847-470-5200.

Voluntary Residential Home Inspection

Upon request, members of the Morton Grove Fire Department will assist residents in their efforts to provide a fire-safe environment in and around their home. Call the Fire Department at 847-470-5226 to request an inspection.



Voter Registration

Registering to vote has never been easier or more convenient. You can register online, in person or you can download registration forms and register through the mail. Visit cookcountyclerkil.gov/ agency/register-vote to find information for each of the four ways to register during the standard voter registration period. Please make sure to check the specific deadline for the form you select as dates differ depending on the method of registration.

The Cook County Clerk offers the Your Voter Information Tool to provide Cook County residents with key information unique to identity and address. The tool can provide details such as registration status, polling place, ballot, elected officials, and more. Check out the Your Voter Information tool at cookcountyclerkil.gov/service/your-voterinformation.

Warning Siren Program

The Village has five warning sirens located strategically throughout the Village, and are audible to every residence. These warning sirens will be activated in the event of a severe weather alert. The sirens are tested on the first Tuesday of every month at 10:00 a.m.

Water Billing

Residential customers are billed for water and sewer use bi-monthly. Large consumer and commercial

customers are billed monthly. All bills are due upon receipt and payment must be received before 5:00 p.m. twenty-one days (21) after the billing date. A ten percent (10%) penalty is added to current charges on the twenty-second (22nd) day after the billing date. Failure to receive a bill does not excuse the penalty charge.

Residential customers may pay utility bills online at www.mortongroveil.org/services/i-want-to/ water-billing. Customers may choose to make a one-time payment or sign up to have payments made automatically from a designated account each billing period. Customers who choose to register an account, even if they do not opt for automatic payments, will be able to sign up for paperless billing, store payment account information, pay by text, and send an online request directly to the Village.

Water and sewer rates are based on usage of 1,000 gallons. Water is billed at \$10.81 per 1,000 gallons used while sewer charges are \$1.15 per 1,000 gallons billed. The minimum bi-monthly bill is based on 3,000 gallons and is billed at \$35.88. Sewer charges will be included in a residential property owner's bimonthly water bill.

The Village receives Lake Michigan water through the City of Evanston from the Morton Grove/ Niles Water Commission. The Village monitors and tests all water quality to ensure the highest quality of water. Although the Village is responsible for maintaining the quality of the water distribution system (water mains) throughout the Village, residents are responsible for any water service connections from their house to the B-box in the parkway which connects to the public infrastructure. If residents have questions about the water supply, they should contact the Public Works Department at 847-470-5235. If residents have questions about their water bill, they should call the Finance Department at 847-663-3035.



Zoning

Zoning regulates the use of land, the size and location of structures, and other elements of site development, such as accessory structures, parking, and landscaping. The Unified Development Code (Title 12 of the Morton Grove Municipal Code) establishes Morton Grove's zoning regulations and serves as a "rule book" for land development and building within the Village. In unique cases, the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) may provide relief to the Village's dimensional zoning requirements through approval of a variation.

Residents are encouraged to contact the Department of Community and Economic Development at 847-663-3063 or commdev@ mortongroveil.org to review zoning requirements when planning to build, rebuild, or expand a home or accessory structure, such as a garage, shed, or fence.



Commercial & Recreational Vehicles

Recreational and commercial vehicle parking is controlled by Title 12, Chapter 3, Section 3 of the Morton Grove Municipal Code. Recreational vehicles may not be occupied for living purposes or stored during periods of non-use in front or corner side yards. Recreational vehicle storage is only permitted in rear yards so long as the storage location is screened in accordance with Village Code requirements.

No more than one (1) commercial vehicle and one (1) recreational vehicle or two (2) recreational vehicles may be parked on a property. Parking may only take place on an all-weather hard surface such as concrete, asphalt, or paving bricks.

Recreational vehicles parked outdoors on residential lots cannot exceed thirty (30) feet in length or ten (10) feet in height. Commercial vehicle parking on residential lots is also subject to certain requirements, such as height of vehicle, signage, and license plate designation. Commercial vehicles with an Illinois license plate designation of "H" or higher are prohibited from parking on residential properties.

For more information on commercial and recreational vehicle parking, contact the Department of Community and Economic Development at 847-663-3063.

Construction Permitting

A Village permit is required prior to the start of most construction projects. Work that requires a permit includes:

- Any new buildings or additions to buildings
- New or replacement detached garages, yard sheds, fences
- Signs
- Swimming pools, ponds, spas two feet or more in depth
- Revisions to electrical service, new circuits, receptacles, and light fixtures
- · New or replacement furnaces, boilers, and air conditioning units
- Relocation of plumbing fixtures
- Sewer and water line repairs
- Installation of sewer cleanouts, flood control valves, and overhead sewers
- Changes in grade to your lot
- · Water heater
- Patio
- · Service walk
- Any work on public right-of-way

Work that does not require a permit includes:

- Normal maintenance of electrical, plumbing, and mechanical systems
- Power rodding of sewer lines
- · Replacement windows, doors, and building siding (contractor must be licensed)
- Swimming Pools, ponds, spas less than two feet deep
- Roof

Application forms are available online at www. mortongroveil.org/building-and-inspectionalservices-department or may be obtained at the Department of Building and Inspectional Services at Village Hall (6101 Capulina Avenue). Submit the completed application form along with the necessary plans for review and approval before starting work. All permit applications must be submitted to the Department in-person or by mail. Applications are not accepted online or by email at this time. For questions about construction permitting, contact the Department of Building and Inspectional Services at 847-470-5214.

Noise Ordinance

Noise is controlled by Title 6, Chapter 5 of the Morton Grove Municipal Code. It is unlawful for any person to make, continue, or cause to be made or continued, any unnecessary or unusually loud sound which unreasonably annoys or disturbs a reasonable person of normal sensitivities, or endangers or injures the safety, comfort, repose, health, or peace of others, or endangers or injures personal or real property within the limits of the Village regardless of the time of day or night. Examples of prohibited noise include:

- Loud motor vehicles
- · Radios and stereos that can be heard from twentyfive feet or more from the source
- Music amplification that extends beyond the place of entertainment



- Live band play that extends beyond the place of play
- Horns, alarms, and signaling devices other than those used for emergency vehicles and as a danger warning
- Amplification for advertisement
- Excessive yelling and shouting
- Construction noise outside permitted hours, which are 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday. Such noise is prohibited on Sunday. DIY projects by homeowners are permitted to cause noise between 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday. DIY project noise is permitted between 9:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Sunday and legal holidays.
- Yard and lawn maintenance equipment use during nighttime hours
- Garbage trucks and scavengers operation outside the permitted hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday.
- Any sound exceeding the ambient sound level by fifteen (15) decibels or more, as measured from an abutting property

To report a suspected violation of the noise regulations, call the Police Department nonemergency number at 847-470-5200. Amplified music permits are available by contacting Village Hall at 847-965-4100.

Parking Restrictions

Non-commercial passenger vehicles may park on a residential driveway in the front or side yards if the driveway leads to a carport, garage, or approved parking pad. Non-commercial vehicles may also park in any residential rear yard on an approved parking pad or within a garage. Non-commercial trucks. SUVs. and vans not considered to be commercial or recreational vehicles may be parked on residential lots and streets, subject to certain

restrictions. Commercial vehicles in residential areas must be parked in an enclosed garage.

Unless otherwise posted by street signage, daytime and overnight parking of noncommercial vehicles is permitted on Village streets. Residents seeking special parking permits for blocks where parking is restricted should contact Village Hall at 847-965-4100.

Pets & Animal Waste

The Village of Morton Grove regulates the keeping of animals in Title 6, Chapter 4 of the Morton Grove Municipal Code. The owner of any dog, cat, or ferret over six (6) months of age must obtain a Village license to own the animal and pay a license fee. The owner must provide the Village with proof at the time of application that the animal has been inoculated against rabies and that the inoculation has not expired. No person may keep more than seven (7) animals over six (6) months of age on any premises, and not more than three (3) of such animals may be dogs, cats, or ferrets of the same species.

Dog and cat licenses can be purchased online by visiting www.mortongroveil.org/services/i-wantto/pet-licenses. Pet licenses are available for purchase throughout the year and expire August 31 of each year. The renewal period for pet licenses will begin in June. A renewal form for pet licenses will be mailed annually to the owner's last registered address in June of each year.

The fee is \$25.00 per dog, cat, or ferret if the animal is not neutered or spayed. The fee is \$10.00 per dog, cat, or ferret if the animal is neutered or spayed and microchipped. Veterinary proof of neutering or spaying and microchip registration must be included with the application if applicable.

After registering the animal, the owner will receive a license tag which must be fastened to the animal's collar and worn by the animal at all times. Any ferret, dog, or cat which does not have such a tag while in or



upon any public street may be deemed to be a stray.

Dogs, cats, or ferrets visiting a Morton Grove property are not required to have a Village license. However, they must have a current rabies inoculation and the total numbers of pets on the property cannot exceed the maximums permitted by Code.

Morton Grove residents may not own, keep, or display within the Village any farm animals, bees, fowl, poisonous snakes or boa constrictors, or other living creatures normally wild or dangerous to human life, or carnivorous in nature, other than domesticated house pets. Any person who owns or controls a dog or other domesticated animal in Morton Grove must remove any excrement left by that dog on any private or public property and dispose of it in a legal manner. Appropriate disposal includes use of a bag or scooper to pick up the waste and then dispose of it in the trash.

Property Maintenance

A property owner is responsible for all property maintenance and repair. Code enforcement officers routinely survey the Village looking for items such as peeling paint, loose siding, improper storage and debris, abandoned vehicles, overgrown vegetation and long grass (over 6 inches), and rodent infestation. To report a suspected violation of the Village's property maintenance regulations, contact the Department of Building and Inspectional Services at 847-470-5214.

Signage

Signage in Morton Grove is controlled by Title 10, Chapter 10, of the Municipal Code. The following signage is permitted on residential lots without a permit:

- Non-illuminated temporary noncommercial signs provided the height of the sign is limited to five (5) feet and the surface area of the sign is limited to twelve (12) square feet per side. If the content of such sign pertains to an event or activity, the sign shall be removed within forty-eight (48) hours after the conclusion of the event or activity. As an example, signs relating to an election must be removed within forty-eight (48) hours after election day.
- Non-illuminated temporary commercial signs such as contractor's signs and real estate signs limited to five (5) feet in height and surface area of six (6) square feet per side. Only two (2) such signs shall be allowed per lot and all such signs shall be removed within forty-eight (48) hours after the conclusion of the event or activity promoted. As an example, a real estate sign must be removed within forty-eight (48) hours after the sale of the real estate has been closed, and a contractor's signs must be removed within forty eight (48) hours after the issuance of a certificate of occupancy for the property or the completion of the construction activity being promoted.
- Village-issued garage sale signs with a current Village-issued permit for the sale to be conducted affixed to the front and back of the sign. At least one (1) sign with the affixed permit must be prominently displayed on the premise for which the permit has been issued so that it is easily visible to persons passing by the premises No more than five (5) Village-issued garage sale signs may be displayed for any one sale. Signs may be displayed only on the date(s) listed on the permit and shall be removed before 9:00 p.m. on the day the sale ends.

For more information about signage, contact the Department of Community and Economic Development at 847-663-3063.

Vehicle Stickers

All vehicles registered in the State of Illinois with a Morton Grove address must also be registered with the Village through the purchase of a vehicle sticker or tag. Regardless of where the car is garaged, stored or driven, if the vehicle is registered to a Morton Grove address, a vehicle sticker or tag must be purchased for that vehicle. A "vehicle" includes a "motor vehicle" and a "motorcycle/scooter," which are defined as follows:

MOTOR VEHICLE: When used in this chapter it shall include automobiles, antique automobiles, trucks, vans, recreational vehicles which are powered by other than human muscular power except for construction equipment, the cars of electric or steam railways and other motor vehicles running only upon rails or tracks, as well as any bicycles or tricycles or similar vehicles propelled exclusively by human muscular power.

MOTORCYCLE/SCOOTER: When used in this chapter it shall include motorcycles, motor scooters, mopeds, motor bicycles and any related device having two (2) or more wheels and propelled by other than human muscular power.



Vehicles with windshields will be issued a sticker that is placed inside the car on the windshield near the lower left-hand side of the driver's steering wheel. Motorcycles and scooters will be issued a metal tag which is attached to the rear license plate with screws.

Vehicle sticker applications will be mailed to each Morton Grove address to which a vehicle is registered. Starting in 2021, vehicle stickers will no longer be available for purchase at Village Hall. Stickers can be purchased online at www. mortongroveil.org/services/i-want-to/vehiclestickers, or by dropping of or mailing a completed application to Village Hall (6101 Capulina Avenue). Vehicle stickers will be mailed to your Morton Grove address.

Vehicle stickers and tags for Morton Grove residents can be purchased starting in June and must be displayed by September 1. The vehicle sticker year runs from September 1 through August 31 of the following year. For the 2021-2022 vehicle sticker year, the cost for each passenger car sticker is \$55 until August 31, 2021. There will be a \$25 late fee added to the price of each sticker from September 1 to November 30. If the sticker is not purchased by November 30, the fee for the sticker will be doubled.

In the event that you are disposing of one vehicle, you are allowed to transfer the sticker from the original vehicle to the replacement vehicle. Scrape off the old sticker and bring it to Village Hall for a replacement and to update your record with us. You will receive a new sticker. The cost of replacement is currently \$5.00.

An inoperable motor vehicle is considered a nuisance vehicle per Village code. These vehicles are unlawful and are prohibited within the corporate limits.

For more information and to learn about antique vehicle and senior rates, visit www.mortongroveil. org/services/i-want-to/vehicle-stickers.



Water Sprinkling

In effect from May 15 through September 15, automatic sprinkling is allowed from 5:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Hand-held sprinkling is not restricted. For more information, contact the Public Works Department at 847-470-5235.

Shop Morton Grove



Supporting Morton Grove restaurants, shops, and service providers bolsters the local economy and helps ensure that our businesses and commercial districts continue to thrive. There are so many reasons to shop local in Morton Grove:

- 1. More of your money will be kept in the local economy. Shopping in a local business district ensures that your sales taxes are reinvested in Morton Grove. Sales taxes fund services such as police and fire protection. Local businesses are also more likely to shop with other local businesses, keeping money moving in the local economy.
- 2. You invest locally. Local businesses are less susceptible to national downturns and are more likely to work harder to stay open.
- 3. You embrace what makes your community unique. One-of-a-kind shops and restaurants are what makes Morton Grove unique.
- 4. You create local jobs.
- 5. You help the environment by reducing the use of fuel for transportation and excess packaging.
- 6. You nurture the Morton Grove community by getting to know your local business owners.

- 7. You create more choice. Local businesses carry a wider array of unique products because they buy for their own individual markets.
- 8. You took advantage of local expertise. Morton Grove business owners have a vested interest in knowing how to serve you.
- 9. You invest in entrepreneurship and creativity, which is what the American economy is founded upon.
- 10. You make Morton Grove a unique destination for neighbors, visitors, and guests.

Morton Grove is proud of its incredibly vibrant and diverse restaurant community, which features cuisines from across the world. The 2022 Morton Grove Restaurant Guide, provided on the following pages, is a guide to your dining experience in the community.



Morton Grove is home to restaurants with flavors from across the world. Local establishments offer dining options for every taste, occasion, and budget. Enjoy the culinary delight that our community has to offer.

AFGHANI

Afghan Kabob

6002 Dempster Street 224-534-7262 afghankabobchicago.com

AMERICAN / FUSION

Biggies

6004 Oakton Street 847-470-2444 eatnplaybig.com

Bitez Xpress

9400 Waukegan Road 847-505-5121 bitezxpress.com

Bringer Inn

6230 Lincoln Avenue 847-965-0150 bringerinn.net

Boba Burger

8530 Waukegan Road 847-410-7779

Charcoal Flame

6800 Dempster Street 847-966-1200 charcoalflameil.net

Cooper's Hawk

6731 Dempster Street 847-461-9991 chwinery.com

Cultura Subs

9432 Waukegan Road 872-285-8872 culturasubs.com

Culver's

7310 Dempster Street 847-983-4341 culvers.com

Halalbelly

6067 Dempster Street 847-324-6700 thehalalbelly.com

Honey Baked Ham

7939 Golf Road 847-470-0100 pickup.honeybaked.com

Kappy's Restaurant

7200 Dempster Street 847-470-1900 kappysrestaurant.com

Martin's Pancake House

7947 Golf Road 224-470-2842 martins-pancake-house.business.site

McDonald's

6309 Dempster Street 847-967-5540 mcdonalds.com

OMG Grill

6037 Dempster Street 847-972-1731

Raising Cane's

6881 Dempster Street 847-965-8121 raisingcanes.com

Popeyes

6939 Golf Road 847-470-0990 popeyes.com

Subway

5841 Dempster Street 847-967-7827 subway.com

Subway

7188 Dempster Street 847-470-1119 subwav.com

Tommy's on Waukegan

9005 Waukegan Road 847-972-1731

CAFE / BAKERY

Avalanche Bubble Tea

6317 Dempster Street 847-967-0911

Cafe Koco Bowl

7923 Golf Road 847-423-2650 kocobowl.com

Dunkin'

6763 Dempster Street 847-538-1828 dunkindonuts.com/en

Dunkin'

9480 Waukegan Road 847-470-3600 dunkindonuts.com/en

Simple Delights

9237 Waukegan Road 773-267-2726

Starbucks

6801 Dempster Street 847-443-1339 starbucks.com

Super Cup Coffee Shop

8509 Fernald Avenue 847-581-0216

The Great American Bagel

7184 Dempster Street 847-581-0600 greatamericanbagel.com

CHINESE

China Chef

5920 Lincoln Avenue 847-967-6050 chinachef.org

China Town Express

6121 Dempster Street 847-967-8992 chinatownmortongrove.com

Mei Mei BBQ/ Richwell Market

6120 Dempster Street 847-929-2228

Palace Chinese Restaurant

9236 Waukegan Road 847-966-2231 palacechineserestaurant.com

INDIAN

TAVA Fresh Taste of India

7172 Dempster Street 847-966-8282 tavadining.com

ITALIAN / PIZZA

Burt's Place

8541 Ferris Avenue 847-965-7997 burtsplacemenu.com

Giordano's

5990 Dempster Street 847-966-4300 giordanos.com

Moretti's

6415 Dempster Street 847-469-1200 morettisrestaurants.com

Nano's Pizza

5906 Lincoln Avenue 847-967-9700 nanospizzamg.com

Pequod's Pizza

8520 Fernald Avenue 847-470-9161 pequodspizza.com/morton-grove

Pizza Hut

5620 Dempster Street 847-965-2254 locations.pizzahut.com

Pizza Hut

7957 Golf Road 847-966-0153 locations.pizzahut.com

JAPANESE / SUSHI

Dempster Fish

5850 Dempster Street 847-581-9220 dempsterfish.com

Sushi 4 U

7955 Golf Road 224-534-7178 sushi4u.org

Sushi Kaya

6026 Dempster Street 847-695-6688 sushikayajapaneserestaurant.com

KOREAN

Hal Mae Bo Ssam

9412 Waukegan Road 847-470-1914 chicagohalmae.com

Hwang Soh Korean Grill

5819 Dempster Street 847-983-4988

JeonJu Restaurant

5707 Dempster Street 847-470-0066

K-COOP

5900 Dempster Street 224-534-7544 thekcoop.com

San Soo Gab San

7901 Golf Road 847-972-1252 sansoogabsan.com

To Soc Chon

6032 Dempster Street 847-410-7650

LATIN AMERICAN

Chipotle

6861 Dempster Street 847-929-4625 chipotle.com

El Sol Restaurant

6000 Dempster Street 847-967-2266 mexicanfoodinmortongroveil.com

Las Fuentes

9001 Waukegan Road 847-983-0248 lasfuentesrestaurant.com

Savory Crust Empanadas

7180 Dempster Street 847-423-2273 savorycrust.com

MIDDLE EASTERN

Spice & Fire Grill

7925 Golf Road 847-730-5428 spicefiregrill.com

MONGOLIAN

Mazalae Mongolian Restaurant

9216 Waukegan Road 224-470-5090

THAI

Lai Thai

7168 Dempster Street 847-966-8216 laithai7168.com

Rosded Too Thai

9510 Waukegan Road 847-965-5561 rosdedthai.com

Sri Siam

9253 Waukegan Road 847-583-9924 srisiammortongrove.com

CATERING

Catered by Design

9204 Waukegan Road 847-965-4094 cateredbydesign.com

Catering by Michaels

6203 Park Avenue 847-966-6555 cateringbymichaels.com

C'MON EAT!

6028 Dempster Street 847-967-7283 cmoneat.com

Filipino Food Catering

6019 Dempster Street 847-967-5620 filipinofoodcatering.com

Small Oven

6109 Dempster Street 847-561-9265 smalloven@yahoo.com

Village Maps

The Village of Morton Grove uses Geographic Information Systems (GIS) to produce both interactive online maps and standard maps in PDF format. The Village's maps are available online for residents. The most requested maps are can be found online by clicking on the map links provided below.

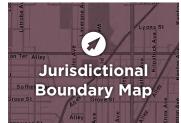


Interactive Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Maps













Standard PDF Maps







Enter your address in Morton Grove's Community Portal to discover more about where you live and your community. Information includes a property summary, government representatives, zoning classification and requirements, and property tax breakdown.

Street Map

www.mortongroveil.org/wp-content/uploads/streetmap.pdf

Zoning Map

www.mortongroveil.org/wp-content/uploads/zoningmap.pdf

School District Map

www.mortongroveil.org/wp-content/uploads/schooldistrictmap.pdf

Senate District Map

www.mortongroveil.org/wp-content/uploads/senatemap.pdf

Congressional District Map

www.mortongroveil.org/wp-content/uploads/congressmap.pdf

House of Representatives District Map

www.mortongroveil.org/wp-content/uploads/housemap.pdf

Street Sweeping Map

www.mortongroveil.org/wp-content/uploads/streetsweepingmap.pdf

Garbage Pick-Up Map

www.mortongroveil.org/wp-content/uploads/garbagepickupmap.pdf

Public Schools

The Village of Morton Grove is served by several public school districts that provide high quality education to local youth. To view a school district map, visit www.mortongroveil.org/residentinformation/school-district-information. The districts serving Morton Grove residents are listed below:

District 70 - mgsd70.org

Park View Elementary School

6200 Lake Street Morton Grove, IL 60053 847-965-6200

District 67 - golf67.net

Hynes Elementary School

9000 Belleforte Avenue Morton Grove, IL 60053 847-965-4500

Golf Middle School

9401 Waukegan Road Morton Grove, IL 60053 847-965-3740

District 63 - emsd63.org

Gemini Middle School

8955 N Greenwood Avenue Niles, IL 60714 847-827-1181

Melzer Elementary School

9400 Oriole Avenue Morton Grove, IL 60053 847-965-7474

Nelson School

8901 Ozanam Ave Niles, IL 60714 847-965-0050

District 69 - sd69.org

Thomas Edison Middle School

8200 Gross Point Rd Morton Grove, IL 60053 847-966-6210

Lincoln Junior High School

7839 Lincoln Ave Skokie, IL 60077 847-676-3545

Madison Elementary School

5100 Madison Skokie, IL 60077 847-675-3048

District 219 - niles-hs.k12.il.us

Niles West High School

5701 Oakton St Skokie, IL 60077 Phone 847 626-2500

Niles North High School

9800 North Lawler St Skokie, IL 60077 847-626-2000

District 207 - east.maine207.org

Maine East High School

2601 W. Dempster Street Park Ridge, IL 60068 847-825-4484

District 807 - ntdse.org **Niles Township District for Special Education #807**

Julia Molloy Education Center

8701 Menard Avenue Morton Grove, IL 60053 847-965-9040

Morton Grove Park District

Since 1951, the Morton Grove Park District has been committed to complementing the community's quality of life, health, and wellness through recreational opportunities while protecting natural resources.

Morton Grove Park District

mortongroveparks.com

6834 Dempster Street Morton Grove, IL 60053 847-965-1200

Morton Grove Park District Q & A

Where can I find the most recent Park District **Activity Guide?**

The guide is mailed to all Morton Grove residents and a digital version is available at mortongroveparks. **com**. Copies are also available at the Prairie View Community Center at 6834 Dempster Street.

How do I register for Park District programs?

Register by mail, in-person, or online at mortongroveparks.com.

Do you have an after-school program?

Yes, the Park District offers before and after school programs at Hynes and Park View schools.

How do I suggest a class for the Park District to offer or teach a specific class?

You may either call the Park District at 847-965-1200 and ask to speak to the supervisor in charge of your area of interest or email the supervisor. For board and staff contact information, as well as a general email address, visit mortongroveparks.com/ about-us/379-2.

Are there any current job opportunities available at the Park District?

Current job opportunities can be found at mortongroveparks.com/about-us/job-opportunities.

Are there Park District volunteer opportunities?

Volunteers play an important role in every public agency, and the Park District is no exception. Please contact sbraubach@mqparks.com.

Who do I call concerning problems in my neighborhood park?

Submit a contact form at mortongroveparks.com/ about-us/contact-us. You will receive an email within 24-48 hours.

How do I update my address information on file with the Park District?

Call the Park District office at 847-965-1200 or email info@mgparks.com.

How do I get directions to a park or facility?

For a map of our parks and facilities, visit mortongroveparks.com/parks-facilities/facilitiesparks-map. If you need additional information, please call the Park District at 847-965-1200.

Is the Park District part of the Village?

No, the Park District is a separate taxing body.

How do I know if I am a resident of the Morton **Grove Park District?**

Check your tax bill or call the Park District Office at 847-965-1200.

What is the tax rate of the district and how are taxes used?

Contact the Cook County Assessor or Park District Superintendent of Finance for the current tax rate. Taxes are used to operate the Park District, maintain all the land, open space, and facilities, and offer the recreation programs. Approximately 6% of your total tax bill goes to the Park District.

How do I learn about the Park District Museum?

Information about the Haupt-Yehl House Museum is in your Park District Activity Guide. You can also call the Museum at 847-965-0203.

Morton Grove Public Library

Since 1938, the Morton Grove Public Library has served the information, education, and entertainment needs of Morton Grove's diverse community. Visit mgpl.org for more information about our collection, resources, and services. Questions? Call 847-965-4220 or email **info@mgpl.org** for more information.

Morton Grove Public Library

mgpl.org

6140 Lincoln Avenue Morton Grove, IL 60053 847-965-4220

Morton Grove Public Library Information

Library Cards

All residents of Morton Grove are eligible for a free library card. Visit mgpl.org/apply to apply.

Collections

Use your card to check out thousands of books for all ages, from the newest bestsellers to older classics. Available in print and digital, with no overdue fines. Beyond books, you can check out movies, video games, magazines, mobile Wi-Fi hotspots, and more. Visit **catalog.mgpl.org** to browse the catalog, request items, and manage your account.

Curbside Pickup

We offer no-contact curbside pickup for your item holds and other library services. Visit mgpl.org/ curbside to schedule an appointment.

Databases

Your card also gets you access to premium online resources and databases, which include Consumer Reports, homework help, genealogy, test preparation, language learning, and the latest Chicago Tribune and Sun-Times. Visit mgpl.org/ databases to access anytime, anywhere.



Events

The Library provides free virtual events for all ages, including movie showings, book discussions and author visits, computer classes, storytimes, lectures, and more. No library card required. Visit **mgpl.org/** events to browse and register.

Kids & Parents

Our Youth Services department provides free books, resources, and events for kids from birth to grade 8, along with their parents, guardians, and families. Visit the Library's lower level to attend a storytime, make a craft, find engaging books, and learn something new—no card required. Visit mgpl.org/ kids to learn more.

Book A Librarian

Morton Grove residents can request a one-hour Book A Librarian appointment with a librarian to get one-on-one help with technology and research questions. Visit mgpl.org/book-a-librarian to make a request.

Morton Grove Post Office

The Morton Grove Post Office is owned and operated by the United States Postal Service (USPS). This location provides full mail services and passport services by appointment only. For hours, visit the USPS website.

Morton Grove Post Office

tools.usps.com/find-location.htm?location=1373877 9114 Waukegan Road Morton Grove, IL 60053 847-965-1621



Forest Preserve District of Cook County

The Forest Preserve District of Cook County is the largest land owner in Morton Grove. Morton Grove's forest preserves, which include the North Branch of the Chicago River and the North Branch bike trail, are cherished by residents and visitors alike. Learn more about the Forest Preserve District of Cook County by visiting **fpdcc.com**.

The Forest Preserve District offers volunteer opportunities at Morton Grove preserves, including Harms Woods, Linne Woods and Prairie, and Miami Woods and Prairie. To learn more, visit fpdcc.com/ volunteer.

Forest Preserve District of Cook County

fpdcc.com

536 North Harlem Avenue River Forest, IL 60305 800-870-3666

Metra

The Village of Morton Grove is serviced by Metra's Milwaukee District North (MD-N) rail line, which runs from Chicago's Union Station to Fox Lake. The Morton Grove Metra station is accessible and provides a heated waiting room from 4:45 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. For schedules, a rail line map, and information about the Metra station and parking, visit metrarail.com/maps-schedules/train-lines/MD-N.

Morton Grove Metra Station

metrarail.com

8501 Lehigh Avenue Morton Grove, IL 60053

Pace

Pace Suburban Bus Service provides affordable and efficient public bus service to Morton Grove and connects the community to the surrounding area. For route maps and schedules, visit **pacebus.com**. Morton Grove is served by four Pace bus routes:

1. 250 - Dempster Street

The 250 bus route has 84 stops departing from O'Hare Multi-Modal Facility and ending in the Davis Street CTA Station in Evanston. A Pulse bus rapid transit line will be added along Dempster Street in 2022. Key stops include the Dempster Skokie Swift Yellow Line CTA Station, Downtown Evanston, Lutheran General Hospital, and O'Hare International Airport.

2. 210 - Lincoln Avenue

The 210 bus route has 118 stops departing from Glenbrook Hospital and ending in Lincolnwood Town Center. Key stops include the Oakton Skokie Swift Yellow Line CTA Station, Lincolnwood Town Center Mall, the Glenview Metra and Amtrak Station, and Glenbrook Hospital.

3. 208 - Golf Road

The 208 bus route provides daily service between Evanston and Schaumburg. Service operates



primarily via Golf Road between the Davis Street CTA Station in Evanston and the Pace Northwest Transportation Center in Schaumburg. Key stops include Old Orchard Mall, Downtown Evanston, Golf Mill Mall, Oakton College, and Woodfield Mall.

4. 226 - Oakton Street

The 226 bus route provides weekday service between the Jefferson Park CTA Blue Line and Metra Station and Oakton and Hamilton in southern Mt. Prospect via the Des Plaines Metra Station. Key stops include Oakton Community College, Village Crossing Mall, Oak Mill Mall, and Downtown Des Plaines.

5. 423 - Harlem Avenue

The 423 bus route provides weekday service from Wilmette to Chicago. The bus route has 154 stops departing from Linden CTA in Wilmette and ending in the Harlem CTA station in Chicago. Key stops include the Glenview Metra and Amtrak Station, the Glen Town Center, and the Winnetka Metra UP-North Line Station.

Pace also provides ADA paratransit service to the community. For more information on how to become a paratransit rider, visit pacebus.com/ada.

Ventra

For all Pace fixed route and on-demand services, the easiest way to pay your fare is with a registered Ventra Card. Riders with smartphones can benefit from the Ventra app, which allows customers to buy Pace, CTA, and Metra tickets. Visit ventrachicago. com to learn more.

Townships

Cook County is made up of 29 townships. The Village of Morton Grove is located within two townships: Maine Township and Niles Township. These township offer a variety of services to residents, including various social services, food pantry assistance, property tax and assessment appeal assistance, low-income and financial distress assistance, voting registration, passport processing, services for seniors and persons with disabilities, temporary accessible parking placard issuance, hunting and fishing license processing, emergency management, and notary services.

Maine Township

mainetown.com

info@mainetown.com

1700 Ballard Road Park Ridge, IL 60068 847-297-2510

Maine Township's general boundaries are Mt. Prospect Avenue on the west. Central Road on the north, Harlem Avenue on the east, and Devon Avenue on the south, which includes parts of Des Plaines, Park Ridge, Niles, Glenview, Morton Grove, and Rosemont.

Niles Township

nilestownshipgov.com

5255 Lincoln Avenue Skokie, IL 60077 847-673-9300

Niles Township's general boundaries are Harlem Avenue on the west. Central Road on the north. McCormick Boulevard on the east, and Devon Avenue on the south, which includes parts of Niles, Skokie, Lincolnwood, Glenview, Golf, and Morton Grove.



Cook County

Cook County contains 134 municipalities in its region. The City of Chicago serves as the County seat and is where the central offices of Cook County are located. The City of Chicago and the suburban municipalities account for approximately 85% of the County's 946 square miles, while unincorporated areas make up the remaining 15%. The unincorporated areas of the County are under the jurisdiction of the Cook County Board of Commissioners. The government of Cook County is primarily composed of the Board of Commissioners, which is headed by the President of the County Board, Toni Preckwinkle, other elected officials such as the Sheriff, State's Attorney, Treasurer, Board of Review, Clerk, Assessor, Circuit Court judges, and Circuit Court Clerk, as well as numerous other officers and entities. Cook County Commissioners representing Morton Grove and key Cook County offices are listed below.

County Board Commissioners

Commissioner Larry Suffredin, 13th District

Isuffredin@aol.com

2510 Green Bay Road Evanston, IL 60201 847-864-1209

Represents 13th District residents located east of Harlem Avenue.

Commissioner Peter Silvestri, 9th District

cookcty9@aol.com

5515 N. East River Road Chicago, IL 60656 773-444-0346

Represents 9th District residents located west of Harlem Avenue.

Key County Offices

Cook County Assessor's Office

cookcountyassessor.com

118 North Clark Street, Room 320 Chicago, IL 60602 312-443-7550

The Assessor's Office is responsible for assessing the values of 1.8 million parcels of property located in Cook County. The Office seeks to help residents understand the assessment process and take advantage of money-saving exemptions and taxrelief programs Cook County provides. A property search at cookcountyassessor.com/address-search provides residents with information on a property's tax classification, tax code, assessed valuation, next scheduled reassessment, and appeal history.

Cook County Clerk's Office - Main

cookcountyclerkil.gov

118 North Clark Street, Room 230 Chicago, IL 60602

Cook County Clerk's Office - North Suburbs

5600 West Old Orchard Road, Room 149 Skokie, IL 60077 847-470-7233

Services at this location are limited to birth certificates, death certificates, marriage certificates, and notary commissions.

The Cook County Clerk's Office is the official record keeper for births, marriages, civil unions, and deaths that occur in the county. The Office is the chief election authority for more than 120 towns and villages in suburban Cook County. The Office maintains delinquent tax records, tax maps, and information regarding TIF districts. The Clerk's Ethics Filings Division accepts and records documents detailing the financial activities of public officials, candidates, certain government officials and lobbyists. The Clerk also records the activity of the Cook County Board by preparing board agendas and post-meeting reports as well as maintaining County Board records.

State of Illinois

The State of Illinois is composed of three branches of government: legislative, executive, and judicial. The executive branch is split into several statewide elected offices, with the Governor as chief executive and head of state, and has numerous departments, agencies, boards and commissions. Legislative functions are granted to the General Assembly, a body consisting of the 118-member House of Representatives and the 59-member Senate. The judiciary is composed of the Supreme Court of Illinois and lower courts.

The Governor, Senators and House representatives for areas of Morton Grove are listed below. Residents can easily look up their State of Illinois representatives by typing in their address to the Community Portal tool. The tool provides voting information, district information, the names of your



representatives, and how to contact them. Check out the Community Portal tool at www.mortongroveil.

org/government/federal-and-state-representatives.

Governor

Governor J.B. Pritzker

James R. Thompson Center 100 W. Randolph, 16-100 Chicago, IL 60601 312-814-2121

Senate

Senator Laura Fine. District 9

1812 Waukegan Road, Suite A Glenview, IL 60025 847-998-1717

Senator Ram Villivalam, District 8

3849 W. Devon Avenue Chicago, IL 60659 217-782-5500

House

Representative Michael Kelly, District 15

4200 W. Lawrence Avenue Chicago, IL 60630 773-736-0218

Representative Denyse Stoneback, District 16

8707 Skokie Boulevard, Suite 102 Skokie, IL 60077 217-782-1252

Representative Jennifer Gong-Gershowitz, District 17

1812 Waukegan Road, Suite B Glenview, IL 60025 847-486-8810

Programs & Services

The State of Illinois offers a variety of programs and services. The most commonly used by residents are listed below:

Cars & Transportation

illinois.gov/residents/cars-transportation

- · License plate purchasing
- Driver's license services
- Vehicle title & registration services

Family & Home

illinois.gov/residents/family-home

- Child support services
- Benefit access program
- Power of Attorney assignment
- Cash and Food Stamps Assistance (SNAP)
- Food Assistance for Women, Infants, & Children (WIC)
- · Utility financial assistance
- Foreclosure assistance
- Community Care Program (CCP)
- Foster parent services

Health & Safety

illinois.gov/residents/health-safety

- · Concealed carry licensing
- Sex offender registry
- · Vehicle emissions testing
- Water and soil contamination oversight
- Medical cannabis patient applications
- · Voluntary self-exclusion program for gambling
- Domestic violence assistance
- Alcoholism & addiction assistance
- Severe weather assistance



Federal Government

The Federal Government is composed of three distinct branches: legislative, executive, and judicial, whose powers are vested by the U.S. Constitution in the Congress, the President, and the Federal courts, respectively. There are hundreds of Federal agencies and commissions charged with handling responsibilities as varied as managing America's space program, protecting its forests, gathering intelligence, and advancing the general welfare of the American people. For a full listing of Federal Agencies. Departments, and Commissions, visit **USA.gov**.

The legislative branch consists of the House of Representatives and the Senate, which together form the United States Congress. Senators and Congressmen representing areas of Morton Grove are listed on the following page. Residents can easily look up their Federal representatives by typing in their address to the Community Portal tool. The tool provides voting information, district information, the names of your representatives, and how to contact them. Check out the Community Portal tool at www. mortongroveil.org/government/federal-and-staterepresentatives.

U.S. Senate

Senator Richard Durbin

230 S. Dearborn, Suite 3892 Chicago, IL 60604 312-353-4952

Senator Tammy Duckworth

230 S. Dearborn, Suite 3900 Chicago, IL 60604 312-886-3506

U.S. House of Representatives

Congresswoman Janice Schakowsky, District 9

820 Davis Street, Suite 105 Evanston, IL 60201 847-328-3409

Congressman Brad Schneider, District 10

111 Barclay Boulevard, Suite 200 Lincolnshire, IL 60069 847-383-4870

















HOME FIRE SAFETY CHECKLIST

ALARMS

- Install smoke and carbon monoxide alarms on every level of home and in bedrooms.
- ☐ Test smoke alarms monthly.
- ☐ Change batteries as needed.
- ☐ Make sure smoke alarms are less than ten years old.
- ☐ Make sure carbon monoxide alarms are less than seven years old.

HOME ESCAPE PLAN

- ☐ Prepare and practice fire escape plan with two ways out of each room.
- ☐ List emergency numbers near phones. Make sure everyone knows how to call 9-1-1.
- ☐ Prepare what to say when making emergency calls (name, address, reason for call).
- Keep exits clear of obstructions inside and outside of home.

COOKING SAFETY

- ☐ Keep portable fire extinguisher in home.
- ☐ Never leave food unattended on stove.
- ☐ Be sure cooking area is clear of flammable items.
- ☐ Keep children away from hot stove or outside grill.
- ☐ Keep lighters and matches away from children.

ELECTRICAL SAFETY

- ☐ Unplug appliances not in use.
- ☐ Replace frayed or damaged electrical cords.
- \square Use outlets safely. Do not overload them.
- ☐ Keep portable heaters at least three feet away from flammable items.
- ☐ Keep clothes dryer free of lint.
- ☐ Check for independent testing lab safety labels on appliances.

LIVING SAFETY

- ☐ Have your furnace checked before each heating season.
- ☐ Change furnace filters frequently.
- ☐ Do not store combustibles near the furnace or hot water heater.
- ☐ Consider having your chimney(s) cleaned by a professional chimney sweep.
- ☐ Burn only dry, seasoned wood in your wood-burning fireplace.
- ☐ Close the screen or heat tempered glass door when using the fireplace.
- ☐ Keep flammables (fertilizers, paint, gasoline) away from any source of heat.
- Check flexible natural gas pipes for corrosion or discoloration. If found, have it checked or replaced.



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No Foam

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Steel & Aluminum

Mixed Paper & Cartons
Flatten Boxes

Verify details with your community's recycler!

Do Not Put in Recycling Carts!



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No Plastic Bags or Wrap



No Food, Liquids, Diapers, or Shredded Paper



No Clothing or Shoes



No Hoses, Wires, or Hangers

Visit swancc.org or check IEPA's interactive site at bit.ly/recycleil.



