



MORTON GROVE

RESIDENT HANDBOOK

— 2026 —



MORTON GROVE
Incredibly Close ✦ Amazingly Open



Morton Grove Village Hall

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www.mortongroveil.org

Contact Information

Emergency & Non-Emergency Response	9-1-1
Police, Fire, EMS, Hazardous Materials	
Fire & EMS Information	847-470-5226
Police Information	847-470-5200
Poison Control	800-222-1222
Animal Control	847-470-5200
Public Works Water Division	847-470-5235 (after-hours 847-470-5200)
ComEd	800-334-7661 (800-EDISON-1)
NICOR	888-642-6748 (888-NICOR-4U)

Welcome from Mayor Witko



Welcome to the wonderful Village of Morton Grove, a place where you can live, work, raise a family, and truly feel at home. As our tagline says so well, Morton Grove is Incredibly Close and Amazingly Open. We're minutes from downtown Chicago, O'Hare Airport, and a wide variety of dining, shopping, and entertainment options.

We are especially fortunate to have so much natural beauty right here, with forest preserve land covering about 20 percent of our community. That green space is a defining part of who we are, and I am committed to continuing efforts to beautify and preserve our Village — from thoughtful touches like streetscape decorations to ensuring that redevelopment is done in ways we can be proud of for generations to come.

At the same time, we must keep advancing the strong economic development progress we've made. By attracting the right mix of grocers, retail stores, and restaurants that residents want, we can maximize sales tax revenue, lessen the financial burden on homeowners, and support a vibrant local economy that benefits everyone.

Most importantly, Morton Grove has always been known for its close-knit, multigenerational community. Our residents take pride in getting involved, volunteering, supporting local events, and passing on that sense of connection from one generation to the next. I am deeply committed to fostering that spirit so that Morton Grove remains a place where everyone feels welcome and invested in our shared future.

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 Janine Witko

847-470-5220

jwitko@mortongroveil.org

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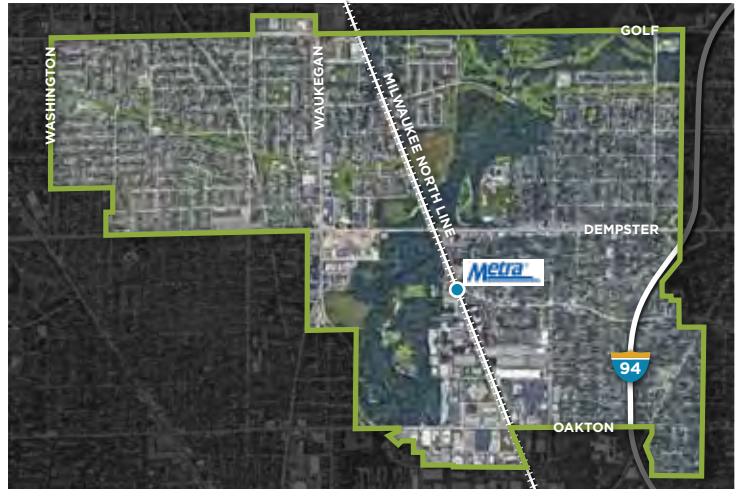
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Community Overview



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QUICK FACTS

Median Household Income

\$106,078

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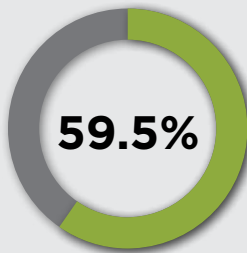
\$106,078

ILLINOIS

\$80,306

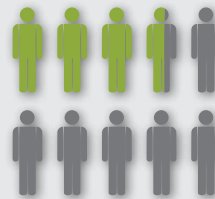
\$77,719
UNITED STATES

Education



AGED 25+ HAVE
EARNED A COLLEGE
DEGREE

Diversity



38.1%

WERE BORN
OUTSIDE OF THE
UNITED STATES

Open Space



21.5%

OF LAND AREA

Population

25,303

RESIDENTS

5.09 SQUARE MILES

Housing

10,033

UNITS

84.5%

OWNER-OCCUPIED

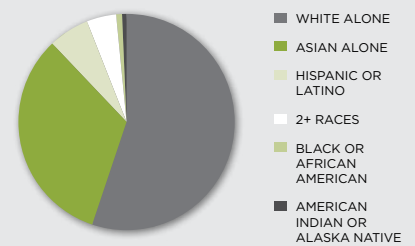
Home Price



\$470,000

MEDIAN
HOME SALE PRICE

Race & Ethnicity



DOING BUSINESS



\$607,824,138

IN ANNUAL RETAIL SALES

\$24,021

IN ANNUAL RETAIL SALES PER CAPITA



12,479

WORKERS IN
MORTON GROVE

2,783,460

WORKERS IN
COOK COUNTY

Average Daily Traffic



41,300

DEMPSTER STREET

24,300

WAUKEGAN ROAD

Transportation

1 INTERSTATE



1 METRA STATION



5 PACE BUS LINES



1 PULSE BUS RAPID TRANSIT LINE



3.4 MILES OF MULTI-USE PATH



15 MINUTES TO O'HARE AIRPORT



20 MINUTES TO DOWNTOWN CHICAGO



TOP EMPLOYMENT SECTORS



#	INDUSTRY SECTOR	EMPLOYEES
1	MANUFACTURING	2,177
2	HEALTH CARE	1,993
3	ADMINISTRATION	1,354
4	RETAIL TRADE	1,165
5	WHOLESALE TRADE	646

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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 Department of Public Works 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 Tuesdays 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



Saba Khan, Trustee
skhan@mortongroveil.org
Elected 2025



Rita Minx, Trustee
rminx@mortongroveil.org
Elected 2023



Ashur Shiba, Trustee
ashiba@mortongroveil.org
Elected 2025



John Thill, Trustee
jthill@mortongroveil.org
Elected 2023



Connie Travis, Trustee
ctravis@mortongroveil.org
Elected 2025



Keith White, Trustee
kwhite@mortongroveil.org
Appointed 2025



**Eileen Scanlon Harford,
Village Clerk**
eharford@mortongroveil.org
Elected 2025

Village Government

Boards & Commissions

Village boards and commissions provide residents' input on important issues directly affecting neighborhoods, developments, and quality of life in the community. Meetings are open to the public. Members are appointed by the Mayor. Residents interested in serving on a board or commission are invited to submit an application to the Mayor's Office at Village Hall. For more information, call 847-965-4100 or visit the Village 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 senior residents. *Meets on the second Tuesday of February, April, June, August, October, and December 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 first Tuesday 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 third Monday of January, March, May, July, September, November, and December at 6:30 p.m.*

Economic Development Commission

This Commission advises the Village Board on policies and actions that impact the Village's economic environment. *Meets on the second Monday of February, April, June, August, October, and December at 7:00 p.m.*

Environment and Natural Resources Commission

This Commission assists the Village Board's efforts to promote the preservation and improvement of

the Village's environment and natural resources. *Meets on the first Monday of February, April, June, August, October, and December 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.*

Fire Pension Board

This Board administers Morton Grove's fire pension fund. Membership is specified by state law and includes Mayoral appointees, elected members, and a Fire Department retiree. *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 zoning variations. *Meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.*

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 a Police Department retiree. *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 third Tuesday of alternating months, beginning in February, at 6:00 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 first Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m.*

Village Departments

Department Information



Administrator's Office

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administration@mortongroveil.org | www.mortongroveil.org/administration

847-470-5220 | fax 847-965-4162 | 6101 Capulina Avenue, Morton Grove, IL 60053



Finance Department

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finance@mortongroveil.org | www.mortongroveil.org/finance

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



Department of Building & Inspectional Services

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building@mortongroveil.org

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

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



Department of Community & Economic Development

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commdev@mortongroveil.org | www.mortongroveil.org/business-development

847-663-3063 | fax 847-965-4162 | 6101 Capulina Avenue, Morton Grove, IL 60053



Department of Family & Senior Services

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administration@mortongroveil.org | www.mortongroveil.org/family-and-senior-services

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



Department of Public Works

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publicworks@mortongroveil.org | www.mortongroveil.org/public-works

847-470-5235 | **after-hours emergency 847-470-5200** | fax 847-965-9511

7840 Nagle Avenue, Morton Grove, IL 60053



Police Department

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police@mortongroveil.org | 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



Fire Department

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fire@mortongroveil.org | www.mortongroveil.org/fire-department

emergency 9-1-1 | non-emergency 847-470-5226 | fax 847-965-7711

6250 Lincoln Avenue, Morton Grove, IL 60053



Administrator's Office

Charles L. Meyer, Village Administrator

administration@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 Village Administrator, implementing the policies of the Village President and Board of Trustees.

The Village 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 E-News
- Policy Inquiries
- Proclamation Requests
- Risk Management
- Senior Services
- Village Newsletters & Postcards



Finance Department

finance@mortongroveil.org | 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.

Key Resident Services:

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



Department of Building & Inspectional Services

building@mortongroveil.org

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 | fax 847-965-4162 | 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.

Key Resident Services:

- Zoning Administration
- Zoning Relief Support
- Community Development Initiatives
- Community Planning
- Facade Improvement Program



Department of Family & Senior Services

administration@mortongroveil.org | 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.

Key Resident Services:

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



Department of Public Works

publicworks@mortongroveil.org | www.mortongroveil.org/public-works

847-470-5235 | **after-hours emergency 847-470-5200** | fax 847-965-9511

7840 Nagle Avenue, Morton Grove, IL 60053

The Village of Morton Grove Department of Public Works comprises 39 full-time personnel within four divisions that are the backbone of Village engineering, operational, and maintenance services.

The **Engineering Division** evaluates the Village's infrastructure systems, identifies long-term maintenance needs, and develops programs and projects to maintain or expand infrastructure.

Personnel are responsible for the design, inspection, and administration of all public right-of-way construction projects. The Division also approves the development of private properties, specifically related to drainage, public utilities, and traffic safety. The geographical information system (GIS), which compiles, analyzes, and maps considerable amounts of Village operational data, is managed by the Division, ensuring accurate data supports operations.

The **Water & Sewer Division** is responsible for the operation, maintenance, and repair of the Village's water distribution system. The Division monitors the Village water supply, which includes two water towers and three underground reservoirs with a combined capacity of 8.5 million gallons, and approximately 91 miles of water mains. Personnel regularly sample the Village water supply according to Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) guidelines to ensure the highest quality of potable water. In addition, this Division is responsible for maintenance of the Village's sanitary, storm, and combined sewer systems, ensuring lines are free from damage and blockages. The Water & Sewer Division is available 24 hours a day for emergency response to water or sewer-related emergencies.

The **Division of Streets** maintains 82 miles of Village, State, and County roads, including approximately 11 miles of paved alleys. Operations include pavement repairs and markings, street sign maintenance, landscaping, and street sweeping. The Division oversees leaf collection, snow removal, and ice control.

The **Forestry Section** within the Division of Streets maintains approximately 11,000 trees in the public right-of-way. Operations include tree planting, tree trimming, tree removal, stump grinding, woodchip delivery, clearing of alley overgrowth, branch pick-up, storm clean-up, and response to service requests. Additional duties include parkway restoration, trash collection, street light maintenance, and installation of flags, banners, and decorations.

The **Division of Vehicle Maintenance** is responsible for the routine maintenance and repair to the entire municipal fleet, including vehicles from the Department of Public Works, the Fire Department, the Police Department, and Administration. The Division plays a key role in the delivery of Village services, ensuring all Village vehicles and equipment are available, reliable, and safe to operate.

The **Facilities Maintenance Section** monitors and maintains the condition of Village buildings and properties, ensuring efficient operation of infrastructure and equipment. The Section oversees capital improvement projects and plans for future capital expenditures. Preventative maintenance contracts are established to best preserve Village-owned properties. The Public Works Safety Program, overseen by the Facilities Maintenance Section, ensures safe working environments for personnel as well as employee wellness.

Key Resident Services:

- Engineering Review
- Residential Woodchip Delivery
- Severe Storm Damage Clean-Up
- Snow/Ice Removal
- Street Sweeping & Maintenance
- Street Tree Planting & Maintenance
- Water & Sewer Systems



Police Department

police@mortongroveil.org | 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.

The Police Department is located at 6101 Capulina Avenue. The Department is staffed with 75 members who are divided into patrol, field, support services, and administrative staff. Patrol operations are divided into three shifts that provide 24-hour service to respond to the community's needs. 24-hour emergency clinical social work coverage for Police and Fire related responses are available through the Police and Fire Departments.

Key Resident Services:

- Block Watch Program
- Citizens Police & Fire 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



Fire Department

fire@mortongroveil.org | 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 and emergency medical practices. The staff includes 40 sworn members, one full-time Fire Prevention Bureau Coordinator, 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 is located at 6250 Lincoln Avenue, and responds primarily to fire and medical emergencies on the east side of the Village. Fire Station #5 is located at 8954 Shermer Road, and responds primarily to fire and medical emergencies 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.

Morton Grove fire stations are staffed 24 hours-a-day, 365 days-a-year. Depending on scheduling, 10 to 13 members of the department are on duty each day. Each shift is responsible for staffing two fire engines, two Advanced Life Support ambulances, with Battalion Chief coverage provided by both Morton Grove and Niles.

To provide these services, a fleet of emergency apparatus, tools, 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, public education, community risk reduction, fire investigation, hazardous materials management, and special rescue teams.

Key Resident Services:

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

Village Programs & Services



Adopt-a-Planter Program

Every summer and winter season, the Village's Community Relations Commission invites 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 Civic Center and along Dempster Street and Waukegan Road. Participants can select their planter using the an interactive map and staff will follow up with confirmation and details by email. Adopting a planter is an excellent way to show pride in the community while keeping the Village beautiful throughout the seasons. For more information, call 847-470-5220 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. For an incident that requires immediate response, please call 9-1-1.

Be Alarmed! Smoke Detector Program

Properly installed and functioning smoke alarms are important to making your home and family safer from fire. The Fire Department is proud to take part in the "Be Alarmed!" Smoke Detector Program, a fire safety education and smoke alarm installation program administered 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 ten-year sealed battery ionization technology smoke alarms to Illinois fire departments. Fire departments then educate residents and install smoke alarms in local homes.

The smoke alarms and installation services are free for Morton Grove residential dwellings. To enroll online or download an application, visit www.mortongroveil.org/fire-department. Once the application is received, you will be contacted by a 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 the Village Administrator's Office at 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.

The Morton Grove Block Party Kit is an easy how-to guide to organizing a neighborhood block party in the Village of Morton Grove. The resource kit

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includes everything you need to plan and execute a successful block party with step-by-step information and a collection of printable resources. To download the applications and the Village's Block Party Kit, visit www.mortongroveil.org/block-party.

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/police-department. 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 at select times during the year 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 ensures construction work will be observed 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. All contractor and subcontractors (other than landscapers and painters) working in the Village require a Village contractor's business license.

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

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Examples of work not requiring a permit:

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

If you have questions about whether a permit is required, contact the Department. Online permit applications are accepted for water heaters, furnace and air conditioner replacements, HVAC alterations, sewer repair, back-up generators, and fences at this time. All other permit applications must be submitted by mail or in-person to the Department of Building and Inspectional Services at Village Hall at 6101 Capulina Avenue. Contractors must be licensed with the Village prior to permit issuance. To apply for permits online, download permit applications, and obtain more information, visit www.mortongroveil.org/building-and-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. To maintain the residential nature of Morton Grove's neighborhoods and ensure that home-based businesses do not negatively impact neighbors, the Village enforces ordinances to regulate home-based businesses.

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 \$110.00 licensing fee and annual renewal costs \$30.00. To check whether your home business is a permitted use of residential property, call 847-663-3062 or email commdev@mortongroveil.org. To download the application and review requirements, visit www.mortongroveil.org/doing-business.

Citation Adjudication Program

The Village's Citation Adjudication Program is a quasi-judicial proceeding 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.

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Citizens Police and Fire Academy

Are you interested in getting an up-close look at what the Police and Fire Departments do? The Citizens Police and Fire Academy is a 12-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 and Fire Departments and a working knowledge of what law enforcement, firefighting, and emergency medical services (EMS) are all about. The classes are limited to 20 students, so early registration is recommended. There is no cost for residents to participate. Visit www.mortongroveil.org/police-department for 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.

Rental options include:

- **Reception Area:** A friendly reception area welcomes visitors with its inviting oak spiral staircase, a sparkling brass chandelier, comfortable seating, and an elevator leading to the second floor.
- **Main Hall (First Floor):** The Main Hall, with an adjacent kitchen and patio, is a large banquet hall featuring a vaulted wood beam ceiling, entertainment stage, state-of-the-art sound system, and dance floor. This space accommodates up to 150 guests to a sit-down

meal with an adjacent, fully equipped warming kitchen to satisfy the needs of caterers. French doors open to a landscaped brick patio where your guests can relax under patio umbrellas or moonlit nights. Capacity for banquet seating only is 150, 140 with an open dance floor, and 130 with an open dance floor and portable bar. Rental of the Main Hall typically includes use of the outdoor patio.

- **Community Hall (Second Floor):** This cozy room on the second floor (accessible by elevator) has a warm, inviting feel and is perfect for a more intimate gathering like a 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. Fits up to 50 guests and depends on the desired room arrangement.
- **Library (Second Floor):** 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. Maximum capacity is 12 guests seated.
- **Craft Room (Second Floor):** This multi-purpose room is ideal for meetings and classes. It has a white board, sink, and counter with classroom-style lighting. Maximum capacity is 45 guests.

The Civic Center provides equipment, appliances and staff support that will allow you to enjoy your special event without the stress and high costs



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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/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 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at 847-663-3071 or by email at civiccenter@mortongroveil.org.

Comments & Complaints

General Comments & Complaints: For general comments, complaints, concerns, and questions, visit 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 or call the Department of Public Works 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 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 vehicles, stop sign or major intersection violations, hazardous parking violations, or immediate safety hazards, the Police Department can review and possibly remedy the problem immediately. However, if the complaints are related to signage, traffic control devices, parking restrictions, 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. If the remedy requires the Municipal Code to change, the process of approval would involve participation of the affected residents, the Traffic Safety Commission, and the Village Board of Trustees.

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/garage-sale. See "Garage Sale Permits" for information on permitting individual garage sales.

Emergency Dispatch Services

Call 9-1-1 for fire, police, or emergency medical services (EMS). Stay calm, remain on the line, and prepare 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 appearance and special identifiers), and a suspect's vehicle description (color, make, model, license plate, condition, and special identifiers).

Police Department: Dial 9-1-1 to report any emergency that requires an immediate police response, including in-progress crimes, in-progress suspicious activities, or suspicious vehicles, 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 crime tips to tipshotline@mortongroveil.org.

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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 cost-effective 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 personnel and equipment to the scene of large fires and other disasters. Morton Grove is proud to have an average response times of four minutes for calls for assistance.

Ambulance Calls: Morton Grove paramedics are trained, certified, and receive continuing education through a comprehensive program that complies with rigorous standards established by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) for emergency medical service personnel. Residents may 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/employment-opportunities to view open positions with the Village and for information on how to apply. For questions about a posted position or application, contact the Village's Human Resources Generalist at hr@mortongroveil.org or 847-663-3005.

E-News & Alerts

The Village 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/email-newsletter.

The Village also regularly sends residents newsletters and postcards with information on upcoming events, ongoing projects, community achievements, and ways to keep your family and home safe. Newsletters and postcards can be viewed and downloaded at www.mortongroveil.org/newsletter.

Fall Leaf Pick-Up

The Department of Public Works collects leaves in the fall. Stay tuned to Morton Grove e-News, newsletter, and postcards for the program's specific dates. Residents should place leaves in the street by the curb and away from parked cars the day before their regularly scheduled street sweeping day. Please DO NOT include other landscaping debris such as grass clippings, bushes, flowers or branches in leaf piles. These items damage equipment and cause delays in completing leaf collection. The Village will only pick up leaves.

Residents are cautioned NOT to park vehicles on top of leaf piles. Many parts on the underside of a vehicle specifically the exhaust system, generate a great amount of heat, which could ignite the leaves.

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If residents choose to place leaves in containers for collection with their regular refuse (Groot), the following procedures should be followed:

- A dedicated 34 gallon can or biodegradable yard waste paper bag must be used. Please refrain from using plastic bags for yard waste.
- Each container or branch bundle must have a yard waste sticker attached to it.

Groot will continue to pick-up yard waste until December 15. See “Garbage, Recycling, & Landscape Waste” for more information on Groot’s Landscape Waste Program.

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 age-appropriate 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 were installed with gravity sewer systems that make their basements susceptible to flooding from sanitary sewer or combined sewer backups during intense rain events. During such events, the capacity of the sewer system may not adequately carry the peak rainfall flow, resulting in pressurized sewers that can cause sewage to 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 a homeowner’s incurred expense to modify their home’s plumbing to prevent sewage backflow into the house when the sewer line is pressurized. There are two options available:

1. Modify the soil stack to direct the flow out of the house in a new overhead sewer and eliminate all gravity drainage below the basement floor slab.

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2. Install an exterior backflow prevention valve and bypass pump on the house lateral in an underground vault.

Each approach has different costs, degrees of disruption, and implications on use of the modified plumbing. This program does not include modifications to current systems. However, the Building Department can inspect your current system for free. If you have an old system and choose to replace the entire system, this program may help cover costs. Loans made by the Village are limited to 50% of the contractual construction cost, up to a maximum of \$5,000. The program is offered on a first come, first served basis and applications received will be authorized based on availability of 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. For more information and to apply, visit www.mortongroveil.org/public-works.

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 and monitor government. In order to comply with this Act, the Village makes public records available to the public, subject to certain exemptions.

The Village's designated FOIA Officer is Teresa Hoffman Liston, Corporation Counsel. Requests may be submitted online at 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 847-470-5220.

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 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 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 affixed to the sign's front and back.
- The Village provides two (2) sale signs and four (4) stickers for each permit issued. Additional signs (stickers included) are available for \$5.00 each and additional 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 must be removed before 9:00 p.m. on the day the sale ends.

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

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Garbage, Recycling, & Landscape Waste

Groot Recycling and Waste Services, Inc., is under contract with the Village to provide garbage, recycling, and landscape waste collection services. To view available services, make service requests, and schedule special pick-ups, visit www.groot.com/locations/groot-east or call 847-734-6400. Groot's 2026 pricing for services, effective January 1 through December 31, 2026, is as follows:

- Landscape Waste Sticker: \$2.60/each
- Landscape Waste Subscription: \$137.90/year
- Landscape Food Scrap, 65-gallon: \$160.89/year
- Landscape Food Scrap, 95-gallon: \$183.86/year
- White Goods: \$51.71/item
- Bulk Items: \$34.48/item
- E-Waste Items: \$40.22/item

Collection Schedule

Each week, residents east of the North Branch of the Chicago River are serviced on Tuesday and residents west of the river are serviced on Wednesday. Collection hours are 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. All refuse, recycling, and landscape waste must be ready for collection no later than 6:00 a.m. Three different trucks come through the Village on collection day: one for recyclables, one for regular garbage, and one for landscape waste. There may be several hours between pick-ups. Because collection is permitted between 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, the Fourth of July, Labor Day, and Christmas Day. If the observed holiday falls on a Sunday or weekday, collection 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.

Holiday Observed	2026 Holiday Date	Regular Pick-Up	Holiday Pick-Up
New Year's Day	THUR 1/1	TUE	TUE 12/30
		WED	WED 12/31
Memorial Day	MON 5/25	TUE	WED 5/27
		WED	THU 5/28
4th of July	SAT 7/4	TUE	TUE 6/30
		WED	WED 7/1
Labor Day	MON 9/7	TUE	WED 9/9
		WED	THU 9/10
Christmas Day	FRI 12/25	TUE	TUE 12/22
		WED	WED 12/23

Bulk Items

Groot service includes collection of one (1) bulk item (not appliances or items over fifty (50) pounds) per week at no additional cost. For additional bulk items, residents should call Groot at 847-734-6400 to schedule a pick-up for an additional fee per item. 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 (1) driver without assistance. Exceptions include items that are banned from direct disposal into a landfill, such as appliances, tires, car batteries, televisions, and other electronic waste.

Residents must contact Groot to schedule a pick-up for oversized items or any single oversized item. An example of an oversized item is a piano or any item that requires two (2) or more people to safely lift. There will be an additional cost for oversized items. Call Groot at 847-734-6400 for 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

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separate disposal, per the State of Illinois. White goods will be picked up for an additional fee per appliance. Residents must call Groot at 847-734-6400 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 at 847-734-6400. Groot can perform an estimate of the collection upon request.

For household products that cannot go into the curbside recycling program or landfills, there are several ways to dispose of 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 and programs, including collections for special materials that are not allowed as part of standard curbside waste and recycling collection.

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. You must 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:

- Household, portable, and medium-format batteries (e.g. AA, AAA, 9V) - new regulation effective 1/1/2026
- Automobile Tires and Batteries
- Explosive, Toxic, Hazardous, Flammable, and Volatile Waste
- Gasoline, Motor Oil, and Anti-Freeze
- Large Automobile Parts and Wheels
- Acids and Poisons
- Swimming Pool Chemicals
- CFL Bulbs, Fluorescent Bulbs, and 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, medications, and eyeglasses during open hours.

Morton Grove Village Hall

847-663-3030

6101 Capulina Avenue

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

Battery Recycling

Beginning January 1, 2026, Illinois law mandates that all household, portable, and medium-format batteries must be recycled, making it illegal to throw them in household trash or curbside recycling bins. The law also requires battery manufacturers to fund battery collection, with no cost to the consumer. The law covers most portable, single-use (e.g., AA, AAA, 9V), and rechargeable batteries (lithium-ion) found in items like remote controls, power tools, toys, laptops, and drones. The new Illinois law was enacted to prevent fires caused by disposed batteries and reduce environmental contamination.

You can find the nearest battery collection location at: batterynetwork.org/stewards/state-recycling-laws/illinois. Be sure to contact the location before taking your batteries to confirm acceptance and any limitations.

Construction or Remodeling Debris

Up to one 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 four feet (4') and no larger than two feet (2') in diameter. Carpeting should be in rolls no longer than four feet (4') long and two feet (2') in diameter and taped. In general, try and keep any loose material bundled and neat for pick-up. Construction and remodeling debris measuring over one cubic yard will not be taken as a part of the regular garbage

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pickup. Removal of these materials must be made through a separate contract for a dumpster.

Stone, concrete, and dirt can only be picked up in containers and cannot weigh more than 45 pounds per container. If more than one cubic yard, please call Groot at 847-734-6400 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 must dispose of unwanted electronics in a responsible and legal manner. The Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC) offers 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 drop-off locations, dates, and times, visit https://swancc.org/what_goes_where/recycling/one_day_events.php.

Groot also offers the option of curbside collection of E-Waste for a standard fee 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 847-734-6400.

Landscape Waste

The landscape waste collection season is March 15 through December 15. Landscape that 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 four feet (4') in length,

can be no larger than two feet (2') 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 WasteNot Compost Collection Service. 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. 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 | Milwaukee & Oakton | 847-965-3925
- Menards | 6301 Oakton St. | 847-966-1600
- Morton Grove Food Mart | Lincoln & Marmora | 847-965-3810

Landscape Waste Subscription Program: This seasonal program 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 seasonal 95- or 65-gallon Landscape Waste/Food Scrap Cart Subscription Program offered by Groot. 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.

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

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

WasteNot Compost Collection Service: The Village offers a year-round residential and commercial compost collection service to residents and businesses through WasteNot Compost. Participating residents will be given an airtight five-gallon receptacle with the option to select weekly or bi-weekly (every other week) service pick-up. Each pick-up includes replacing the used receptacle with a sanitized receptacle.

WasteNot is able to accept a wide variety of compostables, including all food waste, 100% paper products, certified compostable products, and more. There are no long-term commitments and no cancellation fees. To sign up for service or to contact WasteNot with questions, visit wastenotcompost.com/mortongrove. You may also contact WasteNot by calling 847-813-7116 or emailing hq@wastenotcompost.com.



Gun Safety Resources & Gun Locks

The Morton Grove Police Department actively promotes gun safety and offers free gun locks and brochures to 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, 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) 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 new firearms. The removal and purchase restriction can last from fourteen (14) days to twelve (12) months, depending on the type of order and what the judge deems appropriate. Only when the order expires or is terminated may firearms be returned to the restrained person. A twelve-month FRO may be renewed before it expires if the danger still exists.

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 (e.g. suicidal thoughts, aggression, public threats of violence), or is exhibiting other dangerous behaviors, contact your local police department or advise their family member about the FRO. FRO education can help reduce the potential for harm when a gun is present in the home of someone who is at risk of harming themselves or others. In case of emergency, contact the local police department, who can serve a FRO as soon as it is issued. For more information, call 847-470-5200. If you feel threatened or believe someone is in danger, call 9-1-1.

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Health Equipment Lending Closet

The Village is pleased to offer residents the Health Equipment Lending Closet Program. The Lending Closet loans health care equipment free-of-charge on a first come, first served 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. Examples of items that may be available include wheelchairs, walkers, crutches, canes, commodes, toilet risers, and shower chairs.

Participants are asked to return items when they are no longer in use so that they may be lent to other residents. The Lending Closet is located at the Morton Grove Civic Center (6140 Dempster Street) and is open from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through 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 personal mail or checks in unlocked mailboxes.
- Don't carry around unnecessary personal documents.
- 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 flag your account with a fraud alert.
 1. Equifax | 800-525-6285 | [equifax.com](https://www.equifax.com)
 2. Experian | 888-397-3742 | [experian.com](https://www.experian.com)
 3. Trans Union | 800-680-7289 | [transunion.com](https://www.transunion.com)
- Make a report with the various law enforcement departments that may have jurisdiction.
- Contact the Social Security Administration at [oig.ssa.gov/report](https://www.oig.ssa.gov/report) or call 800-269-0271.
- File a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) at [reportfraud.ftc.gov](https://www.reportfraud.ftc.gov).
- File a complaint with the Internet Crime Complaint Center at [ic3.gov](https://www.ic3.gov).

Infant Car Seat Inspection

For Morton Grove residents with questions on car seats or needing assistance installing one, the Police Department is available to help. To schedule an appointment, stop by the Police Department (6101 Capulina Avenue) or call 847-470-5200.

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J.U.L.I.E.

Underground utilities, such as natural gas, electrical, and water lines, 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. Before you begin a construction project on your property, you must have all utilities located. Failure to locate utilities before digging may result in severe injury to yourself or damage to the utilities. Should you damage utilities during excavation, you will be responsible for repairs, which are often costly.

Call 800-892-0123 or dial 8-1-1 at least two (2) working days before the start of digging or enter your location request online at illinois1call.com. Within two (2) working days of your request, representatives from each member utility, not J.U.L.I.E. employees, will come out and mark the locations 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	Electric
Water	Proposed Excavation
Communications	Sewer
Temporary Survey Markings	Proposed Excavation (Snow Present)

Morton Grove Days

Morton Grove Days is a multi-day held over the Fourth of July every year featuring live music, a carnival, Fourth of July parade, fireworks, beer garden, food, and live entertainment. The event is organized and sponsored by the Morton Grove Days Commission, an independent 501(C)(3) organization made up of volunteers. The Commission relies on volunteers to work and private donations to fund the event. The Village and Morton Grove Park District serve as partners to the Commission to make this event a success. The event is held at the Morton Grove Civic Center (6140 Dempster Street) and adjacent Harrer Park. To learn more and get involved, visit mortongrovedays.org.

Neighborhood Outreach

The Village 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 Village departments, ask questions, and receive updates on Village projects. Check for the next neighborhood outreach meeting on the calendar of events at www.mortongroveil.org/meetings-events.

Outstanding Neighbor Recognition

The Community Relations Commission offers the opportunity to acknowledge your outstanding neighbor for going above and beyond to make your neighborhood a better place. They may be a youth, teenager, longtime resident, new to Morton Grove, senior resident, or business that makes a positive difference in your neighborhood. 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.

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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 offers key boxes for purchase 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.

Rodent Control Program

The Department of Building and Inspectional Services' Rodent Control Program includes inspection for rats, treatment of burrows, and ensuring that preventative measures are in place. Treatment for rodent control involves baiting with

rodenticide in a secure manner for residential properties. This allows for investigation and tracking of rodent service requests, and provides measures for property maintenance. To report a rodent infestation, call the Building Department at 847-470-5214. Visit www.mortongroveil.org/rodent-control for more information about the program and how to prevent rodents on your property.

Santa Comes to Town

Every winter, the Village, Morton Grove Days Commission, and Morton Grove Park District present Santa Comes to Town, a family-friendly parade event that escorts "Santa" on a set route through Morton Grove neighborhoods while distributing candy to children. 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 is made available in advance at www.mortongroveil.org.

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. Contact the Police Department Alarm Services Section to determine the pro-rated fee. The 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, by calling the Police Department Alarm Services Section at 847-663-3991, or by emailing mgalarms@mortongroveil.org.

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Senior Health & Wellness Programs

Morton Grove seniors have access to a variety of health and wellness programs 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 senior services, where 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. Age restrictions on senior program offerings vary by program. Call 847-663-3070 for more information.

Discount Taxi Coupons

Discount taxi coupons are available for Morton Grove senior residents at the Morton Grove Civic Center (6140 Dempster Street). Seniors can pick-up coupons between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information, call 847-663-3070.

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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), sponsors 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. Any sharps disposed of with the Village must be in FDA-approved sharps containers.

Acceptable items for prescription drug disposal include unused prescription medications, expired prescription medications, prescription cough syrup, prescription eye drops and expired over-the-counter 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.

Senior Ride Share Program

The Morton Grove Senior Ride Share Program offers free Lyft rides to registered residents who are at least 65 years old. Scheduled rides are provided to grocery stores, pharmacies, and medical appointments within Morton Grove. Rides are also available to medical appointments at most area hospitals and medical buildings. Program participants must have a cell phone to use the program. For questions, call 847-663-3070. The program will continue as long as funds are available.

Snow Shoveling & Lawncare Program

The Village’s Snow Shoveling and Lawncare Program connects older adults and residents with disabilities to local high school students who offer snow removal and lawncare at affordable rates. Residents receive a list of participating teens and coordinate services directly, providing help during winter and summer while teens earn extra income. The resident is responsible for contacting participants from the list provided and scheduling services directly with the participant. After registering, a Village employee will reach out to confirm receipt. If you have questions, call 847-663-3070.

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Social Service Assistance

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

Severe Storm Damage Clean-Up

After a severe storm, the Village will pick up branches that have fallen from Village parkway trees. Place branches in the public parkway immediately after the storm event and then contact the Department of Public Works at 847-470-5235 to request branch pick-up. This service will be offered for five (5) business days following a storm event. Disposal of branches not placed on the parkway or without notification to the Department of Public Works by the following Monday will become the property owner's responsibility.

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 installed into the Village's sanitary sewer.

Commonly, basements in pre-1970 homes were constructed with a sump pump well to collect groundwater from the foundation drains installed around the home's foundation. Water that comes from foundation drains and downspouts is storm water and should discharge outside of the home into the grass. Basement floor drains may have been installed to also drain into the sump pump well. Floor drains are considered domestic sewage and should drain waste in the building sewer below the basement floor that connects to the Village's sanitary sewer. Residents should check this plumbing to make sure domestic sewage and storm water discharges to the appropriate drain. It may require the assistance of a licensed plumber to confirm exact drainage points.

The property owner is responsible for maintenance and repair of their building's sewer line, which is

connected to the Village's sewer main line in the Village right-of-way. The Department of Public Works maintains and repairs Village catch basins and manholes in the Village right-of-way. The Village also cleans, eliminates blockages, and repairs damage to storm, sanitary, and combined sewer pipelines.

The Village continues to study and improve the local sewer system, but the assistance of property owners is needed to maximize efforts. 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 the sewer systems, downspouts and sump pumps are significant contributors to system backups. Downspouts and sump pumps should discharge onto the ground, delaying entry of storm water into the sewer systems and helps prevent system back up. Also ensure that these discharges do not cross property lines, causing neighboring properties to develop problems. For more information on Morton Grove's sewer system, call the Department of Public Works at 847-470-5235.

Smart 911

Smart911 is a free service available to Village residents that allows them to provide key information to 9-1-1 call takers during an emergency. When a resident makes an emergency call, their custom Safety Profile is displayed to the 9-1-1 call taker, allowing them to send the right response teams to the right location with the right information. 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 all 50 states and more than 3,500 municipalities across the country, and has been credited with improving emergency outcomes. Signing up also registers the resident to receive community alerts from the Village, including real-time notifications about severe weather, road closures, missing persons, and local emergencies. Visit **www.smart911.com** for more information and to sign up for this free service.

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Snow & Ice Removal

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

The Department of Public Works' snow removal crews take pride in 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 also receives complaints about snow being pushed into driveways by the snowplows. Because there is no other place for the snow to go, the amount pushed into a driveway can be reduced by the following:

- 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 or garage to make plowing more effective.
- Residents may not place garbage and recycling containers in the street on collection days. Containers must be placed in the parkway.



Snow Routes

In Morton Grove, residents should be aware that snow routes are established to facilitate the efficient clearing of streets by Public Works personnel and to keep roadways clear for emergency vehicles to respond during emergencies. Snow routes are marked with red, white, and blue signage and restrict parking when snow accumulation is over one (1) inch. If a vehicle is parked in a snow route area during restricted times, the vehicle will be ticketed. Visit mortongroveil.org for more information. 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 Street
- **Oriole Avenue**, Dempster Street to Wilson Terrace
- **Ozark Avenue**, Dempster Street to Palma Lane
- **Suffield Street**, Oleander Avenue to Ozark Avenue
- **Theobald Road**, Central Avenue to Marmora Avenue

Social Media

The Village maintains active social media pages to stay connected to the community. Be sure to "Like" the Village's Facebook page at [facebook.com/VillageOfMortonGrove](https://www.facebook.com/VillageOfMortonGrove) to stay up-to-

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date on the latest news, events, photos, videos, and other information. The Police Department maintains its own page at [facebook.com/MortonGrovePoliceDepartment](https://www.facebook.com/MortonGrovePoliceDepartment). The Fire Department also maintains its own Facebook page at [facebook.com/MortonGroveFireDepartment](https://www.facebook.com/MortonGroveFireDepartment). “Like” the Police and Fire Departments’ Facebook pages for regular updates and tips on how to keep your family and home safe.

The Village also maintains an active Instagram account. Follow the Village at www.instagram.com/villageofmortongrove. For video recordings of Board of Trustees meetings and various community events, visit the Village’s YouTube channel at [youtube.com/user/MortonGrovelYt](https://www.youtube.com/user/MortonGrovelYt).

Social Services

The Village coordinates social services through the Village’s Social Worker, a full-time Village employee who can provide social service assistance to those in need. The Social Worker can be reached during normal business hours at 847-663-3072. For more information on how the Social Worker can assist and for crisis and support lines, visit www.mortongroveil.org/social-services. If you or someone you know is experiencing a mental health crisis where there is a risk of harm to themselves or others, call **9-1-1** immediately.

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.

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 requires minimal Village service, the Village Administrator will accept late applications. For more information, call 847-470-5220. A Special Event Permit Application can be downloaded at www.mortongroveil.org/special-event-permit-application.

Street Lighting

Please call the Department of Public Works at 847-470-5235 to request a repair if you notice a street light that is out of service.

Street Maintenance

The Department of Public Works Streets Division maintains all streets within the Village’s rights-of-way and alleys. The Village’s pavement network consists of approximately 82 miles of Village, State, and County roads, including approximately 11 miles of paved alleys. Maintenance operations include street sweeping, landscaping, pavement repair and markings, sidewalks and curbs, leaf collection, tree trimming, snow removal, ice control, and storm damage clean-up. In addition to Village-owned infrastructure, the Streets Division maintains seven miles of State roadways: Caldwell Avenue, Dempster Street, Oakton Street, and Waukegan Road. If you have a request for street or alley service, please call the Department of Public Works at 847-470-5235.

Street Sweeping

The Village is proud to provide residents, businesses, and visitors with clean streets. Streets are scheduled to be swept once a week, unless other emergent requirements develop, at which time the street will be swept the following week. In some neighborhoods, there are signs notifying residents of parking restrictions to allow for the completion of

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street cleaning services. Please be aware of posted restrictions to avoid citations. You can view a map of the Village's street sweeping and leaf pick-up services by selecting "Street Sweeping & Leaf Pick-Up Map" at www.mortongroveil.org/maps.

Sustainable Morton Grove

The Village continues to be an active environmental steward through local initiatives to promote cleaner air, energy conservation, preservation, sustainability, waste reduction, and water conservation. In 2021, the Village Board adopted the Morton Grove Sustainability Plan, 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 a guide for Village sustainability efforts and sets goals and priority strategies for climate, economic development, energy, land, mobility, municipal operation, waste, and water. To view the Plan and learn about upcoming events and what the Village is doing to promote sustainability throughout the community, visit www.mortongroveil.org.

Tree City USA & Arbor Day

Morton Grove was first designated a Tree City USA community in 2000 and has been recertified every year since, reflecting the Village's ongoing commitment to environmental stewardship and a healthy tree canopy. Each Arbor Day, observed on the last Friday of April, the Village partners with a local school to educate students about the benefits of trees by planting a tree at a school.

Earth Month

Each April, the Village celebrates Earth Month with programs, educational outreach, and a dedicated newsletter. With support from the Environment and Natural Resources Commission, the Village highlights local and regional initiatives, resources, and ways residents can reduce their environmental impact.



Sustainability Expo

Hosted by the Environment and Natural Resources Commission (ENRC) and Village, the annual Sustainability Expo in September is a free, family-friendly event featuring exhibits from local businesses and organizations providing greener services, ideas, and opportunities to Morton Grove residents and businesses. The associated Recycling Fest helps divert a variety of waste types from landfills.

Sustainability-oriented events and programs overseen by the Environment and Natural Resources Commission (ENRC) include:

- **Adopt-A-Block Program** - Ongoing
- **Electronics Recycling & Document Destruction Event** - May
- **Greener Morton Grove Awards** - April
- **Sustainability Expo** - September
- **Tree Walk** - September
- **Pumpkin Smash** - November

Televised Broadcast

Residents can watch Village meetings and community programming from the comfort of home. Board meetings are 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.

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The Morton Grove public access channel also features a community TV schedule showcasing Village and other community events. 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 Police Department's Traffic Safety Program helps protect the lives of motorists and pedestrians, reduce accidents, and create a safer community. Coordinated efforts by Department personnel target school zones, high volume intersections, known excessive speed areas, and problematic intersections. The 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

The newly constructed Morton Grove Metra station opened its doors in December 2025. While the project will be fully completed in Spring 2026, the station is fully operational. Paid commuter parking spaces in the Metra station area are numbered and are available for daily use for a fee of \$2 per day. Paid commuter parking is clearly marked and available along Lehigh Avenue from Oakton Street to Lincoln Avenue, along Elm Street west of Lehigh Avenue, and along Main Street and Nagle Avenue. Be sure to enter the parking space number marked on the



ground during payment. You can pay the \$2.00 fee at the automated collection machines located at the train station or through Passport Parking's website or mobile app. To pay for daily parking, securely view your parking history, and print your parking receipts online, visit www.passportparking.com. The Passport Parking zone number is 303 (Morton Grove, Illinois). A small fee will apply for use of Passport Parking payment services.

If you park in a paid commuter parking space without paying, you will be issued a ticket. If you paid the fee but a ticket was issued in error, contact the Police Department at 847-470-5200.

Transfer Stamps

Before a deed for the sale or transfer of real estate within the Village 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 within two (2) business days. Early submissions provide sufficient time to resolve outstanding issues or obligations to the Village. A search may be requested before the application is submitted. The cost for the stamps is \$3.00 per \$1,000 (or any fraction thereof) of the selling price.

Applications can be submitted in person at Village Hall (6101 Capulina Avenue), by mail, or online to transferstamps@mortongroveil.org. Request a search by phone at 847-663-3038 or by email. For more information, visit www.mortongroveil.org/transfer-stamp.

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Tree Protection & Preservation

The Village continuously strives to better preserve and protect the urban forest as critical public infrastructure. Tree protection and preservation are required for public parkway trees during construction. For more information on public parkway tree protection requirements, contact the Department of Public Works at 847-470-5235.

In 2024, the Village Board adopted Ordinance 24-28 to modify regulations relating to tree preservation and protection. The ordinance was designed to establish a Tree Planting Fund to support the urban canopy, clarify removal procedures, enhance landscaping and protection requirements, prohibit invasive species, enhance species diversity, and regulate the removal of select trees on select private properties. The ordinance and other landscaping requirements of Chapter 12-11 apply to select properties with existing single-family and two-family homes for which the certain types of projects are undertaken. Staff are available to answer your questions about the ordinance and how it may affect your property and project. Contact the Department of Community and Economic Development at 847-663-3062 or commdev@mortongroveil.org.

Tree Planting & Maintenance

The Village maintains approximately 11,000 trees in the Village right-of-way. The Village prunes all of its trees on a six-year pruning cycle through the Department of Public Works Forestry Section. A portion of these tree pruning services are contracted with and completed by a private contractor. Residents may request pruning of their parkway trees at any time by calling Public Works at 847-470-5235. Trees are removed by Public Works staff when they are considered to be dead, diseased, or hazardous. The Department does not authorize nor promote the removal of healthy trees. You can view a map of the Village's street tree inventory by selecting "Tree Map" at www.mortongroveil.org/maps.

For parkway areas without trees, the Village offers residents discounted public parkway tree plantings through the annual 50/50 Tree Planting Program. Residents can choose from the tree species available and pay 50% of the cost. Program information becomes available the preceding December and the application deadline typically occurs in the spring. To learn more, visit www.mortongroveil.org/public-works or call 847-470-5235.

The Village'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. 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 residential units 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 and includes the cost of the initial inspection. The renewal fee is \$100.

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The Vacant Building Registration form must be updated and resubmitted annually and when 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 Police Department never goes on vacation but Morton Grove residents do. The Vacation Watch Program can be used by any Village resident who will be away from their home and would like the added security of regular police patrols of their property. A vacation watch should not take the place of using light timers, stopping mail delivery, and having family or friends keep watch. For more information and to set up a watch, call the 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 www.cookcountyclerkil.gov/elections/voter-registration 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 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 www.cookcountyclerkil.gov/elections/your-voter-information.

Warning Siren Program

The Village has five (5) warning sirens strategically placed throughout the Village so that a warning siren will be audible to every residence. These 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/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

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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. Customers may also pay in person or by mail (6101 Capulina Avenue) or by phone at 855-342-5958.

Water and sewer rates are determined based on usage measured in 1,000-gallon increments. The minimum bi-monthly bill is calculated based on 3,000 gallons of usage. Current rates can be found on the Village's website. Sewer charges will be included in the bi-monthly water bill for residential property owners. If residents have any questions out their water bill, they should contact the Finance Department at 847-663-3035.

Water Supply

The Village receives Lake Michigan water that is intook at the Evanston Water Pump Station and delivered by the Morton Grove Niles Water Commission (MGNWC). The Village monitors and tests all water quality to ensure the highest quality. 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 their water supply, they should contact the Department of Public Works at 847-470-5235.

Zoning Relief

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 847-663-3062 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.

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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 and commercial vehicle storage is only permitted in side and 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 requiring a Village permit includes:

- Any new buildings or additions to buildings
- Interior remodeling projects, including kitchens and bathrooms
- New or replacement detached garages, sheds, gazebos, and fences
- Any paved or impermeable area, including patios, walkways, driveways, and parking pads
- Signs
- Swimming pools, ponds, and spas two feet or more in depth
- Generators, solar panels, and electric vehicle chargers
- 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 heaters
- Any work in the 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 (2') deep
- Roof replacement

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Application forms are available online at www.mortongroveil.org 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.

E-Bikes & Scooters

On August 12, 2025, the Village Board of Trustees passed Ordinance 25-23 amending the Municipal Code to better regulate electric bikes (e-bikes) and similar devices, enhancing safety standards in the Village. New definitions and restrictions include:

Class 1 E-Bike: Provides motor assistance via pedaling, motor assistance stops at 20 m.p.h., allowed on sidewalks and streets

Class 2 E-Bike: Provides motor assistance without pedaling, motor assistance stops at 20 m.p.h., allowed on streets only

Class 3 E-Bike: Motor provides assistance via pedaling, motor assistance stops at 28 m.p.h., allowed on streets only

Low-Speed Electric Scooter: Motorized scooter weighing less than 100 lbs, max. speed of 10 m.p.h., allowed on sidewalks only

Electric Scooter: Motorized scooter with max. speed greater than 10 m.p.h., allowed on streets only

All other e-bikes and many other motorized devices are prohibited. Riders of all devices must be at least 16 years old and have a driver's license or be under direct guardian supervision (except for low-speed



electric scooters, riders must be 18 years or older). Parents are liable for their minors' violations and all riders must wear a helmet. For more information and to view the full ordinance, visit mortongroveil.org/e-bikes. For questions, call the Morton Grove Police Department Community Liaisons at 847-663-3804 or 847-663-3813 or email police@mortongroveil.org.

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 twenty-five 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

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- 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 non-emergency number at 847-470-5200. For an immediate response, please call 9-1-1 to reach Police Department dispatch. 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 exceeding certain height limits or with an Illinois license plate designation of “F” must be parked in an enclosed garage on residential lots. Commercial vehicles with

an Illinois license plate designation of “H” or higher are prohibited from parking on residential lots.

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

Pets & Animal Waste

The Village regulates the keeping of animals in Title 6, Chapter 4 of the Municipal Code. The owner of any dog, cat, or ferret over six (6) months of age must obtain a Village license and pay a fee to own the animal. The owner must provide the Village with proof at the time of application that the animal has an active rabies inoculation. 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. 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 license 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.



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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. All pets within the Village must be properly controlled, meaning on the enclosed premises of its owner or on a leash and under the control of a responsible person.

Residents may not own, keep, or display within Morton Grove 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 domesticated animal in Morton Grove must remove any excrement left 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 (on private property, not parkways) without a permit:

- Non-illuminated temporary noncommercial signs with a maximum height of (5) feet and maximum surface area of 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. For 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 with a maximum height of five (5) feet and maximum surface area of six (6) square feet per side. Only two (2) such signs shall be allowed per lot and all such signs must be removed within forty-eight (48) hours after the conclusion of the event or activity promoted. For 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 construction.
- Village-issued garage sale signs with a current permit sticker affixed to each side of the sign. At least one (1) sign with the affixed permit must be prominently displayed on the premise. 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 must 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 or commdev@mortongroveil.org.

Important Local Regulations

Trees on Private Property

In 2024, the Village Board passed a tree preservation ordinance applicable to select properties. For residentially zoned properties measuring greater than or equal to 0.5 acres in area and properties that are controlled by or will be controlled by a special use permit or subdivision ordinance, a permit is required for the removal of trees measuring twelve (12) inches or greater. Unless a protected tree must be removed for reasons outside owner's control, as specifically authorized by Municipal Code, tree replacement or a fee-in-lieu of replacement will be required. For questions and more information about the tree removal requirements, contact the Department of Community and Economic Development at 847-663-3062 or commdev@mortongroveil.org.

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.

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

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. Vehicle stickers are no longer available for purchase at Village Hall. Stickers can be purchased online at www.mortongroveil.org or by dropping off 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 current vehicle sticker prices, visit the Village website. There will be a \$25.00 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.

You must notify the Village if you sell or dispose of a vehicle, in which case you will be 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, but a replacement fee applies. For more information and to learn about special rates, visit www.mortongroveil.org/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.

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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 take 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 2026 Morton Grove Restaurant Guide, provided on the following pages, is a guide to your dining experience in the community. Morton Grove restaurants are also featured at www.mortongroveil.org/restaurants.

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Morton Grove

RESTAURANT

GUIDE

2026



WWW.MORTONGROVEIL.ORG/RESTAURANTS

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
afghankabob.dine.online

AMERICAN / FUSION

Angel's Pancake Cafe
7947 Golf Road
224-470-2842
angelspancakecafe.com

Boba Burger
8530 Waukegan Road
847-410-7779

Bringer Inn
6230 Lincoln Avenue
847-965-0150
bringerinn.net

Charcoal Flame
6800 Dempster Street
847-966-1200
charcoalflameil.net

Cooper's Hawk
6731 Dempster Street
847-461-9991
chwinery.com

C'MON EAT!
6028 Dempster Street
847-967-7283
cmoneat.com

Cultura Subs
9428 Waukegan Road
872-285-8872
culturasubs.com

Culver's
7310 Dempster Street
847-983-4341
culvers.com

Honey Baked Ham
7939 Golf Road
847-470-0100
pickup.honeybaked.com

Kappy's Restaurant
7200 Dempster Street
847-470-1900
kappysrestaurant.com

McDonald's
6309 Dempster Street
847-967-5540
mcdonalds.com

Raising Cane's
6881 Dempster Street
847-965-8121
raisingcanes.com

Popeyes
6939 Golf Road
847-470-0990
popeyes.com

Smash IT Burger
6037 Dempster Street
224-251-7083

Subway
7188 Dempster Street
847-470-1119
subway.com

Tommy's Tavern & Restaurant
9005 Waukegan Road
847-972-1731

CAFE / BAKERY

Avalanche Bubble Tea
6317 Dempster Street
847-967-0911
avalanhebubbletea.com

Cafe 44
9144 B Waukegan
773-600-6830

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

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

Ganache Bakery
9328 Waukegan Road
847-410-7198
theganachebakery.com

Pistachio Sweets
7915 Golf Road
847-983-4822

Simple Delights
9237 Waukegan Road
773-267-2726

Starbucks
6801 Dempster Street
847-443-1339
starbucks.com

Steel Fitness Cafe
5814 Dempster Street
224-251-8168
steelfitnesscafe.com

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

Jason's BBQ

6120 Dempster Street
847-929-2228

Palace Chinese Restaurant

9236 Waukegan Road
847-966-2231
palacechineserestaurant.com

INDIAN / PAKISTANI

Dosa Point x Boba Junction

6027 Dempster Street
224-251-8333

OMG Nafisa's Kitchen

6027 Dempster Street
224-534-7525
omgnafisasaskitchen.com

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

Moretti's Ristorante & Pizzeria

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 Kaya

6026 Dempster Street
847-695-6688
sushikayajapaneserestaurant.com

KOREAN

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

To Soc Chon

6032 Dempster Street
847-410-7650

LATIN AMERICAN

Chipotle

6861 Dempster Street
847-929-4625
chipotle.com

Flash Taco (Seasonal)

6250 Dempster Street &
9200 Oriole Avenue
888-312-8226
flashtaco.com

Las Fuentes

9001 Waukegan Road
847-983-0248
lasfuentesrestaurant.com

Sabor Mexicano

6109 B Dempster Street
847-324-6400

Savory Crust Empanadas

7180 Dempster Street
847-423-2273
savorycrust.com

MIDDLE EASTERN

Cappadocia Mediterranean Grill

9400 Waukegan Road
312-882-9709
cappadociamediterranean.com

Spice & Fire Grill

7925 Golf Road
847-730-5428
spicefiregrill.com

Ya Hala Middle Eastern Grill

6023 Dempster Street
224-534-7211

MONGOLIAN

Mazalae Mongolian Restaurant

9216 Waukegan Road
224-470-5090

NIGERIAN

Dammney's Kitchen

9412 Waukegan Road
224-770-7071
instagram.com/dammney

PERSIAN

Taste of Persia

9430 Waukegan Road
847-814-8730

THAI

Lai Thai

7168 Dempster Street
847-966-8216
laithai7168.com

Chef of Siam

9510 Waukegan Road
224-251-8327
chefsiam.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

Filipino Food Catering

6019 Dempster Street
847-967-5620
filipinofoodcatering.com

Local Resources

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 and learn more through the Community Portal, visit www.mortongroveil.org/maps. The districts serving Morton Grove residents are listed below:

District 70 - www.mgsd70.org

Park View Elementary School

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

District 67 - www.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 - www.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 - www.niles219.org

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

Local Resources

Morton Grove Park District

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

Morton Grove Park District Administrative Offices

Prairie View Community Center (PVCC)
6834 Dempster Street
Morton Grove, IL 60053
847-965-1200

www.mortongrovecparks.com

Morton Grove Park District Q & A

Is the Park District part of the Village?

Although the park district works closely with the Village, it is not part of the Village. It is a separate taxing body. Approximately 6% of your tax bill supports your 14 parks, six facilities, open spaces, and recreation programs within Morton Grove.

Where can I find the most recent Activity Guide?

The guide is mailed to all Morton Grove residents three times a year. A digital copy of the most recent guide is available at www.mortongrovecparks.com. Hard copies are also available at the PVCC.

How do I register for programs?

If you have not registered previously, please come to the PVCC to register in person. Please bring proof of residency such as a utility bill with you. Your household account will be generated for you during your first visit.

What hours can I register at PVCC?

PVCC is open Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

How do I update my household account?

Just log on to your account from www.mortongrovecparks.com. If you experience problems, contact the registration desk at 847-965-1200.

Who do I call concerning problems in my neighborhood park?

You can submit a contact form at www.mortongrovecparks.com/contact-us. You will receive an email within 24 to 48 hours, or you can call 847-965-1200 and your message will be forwarded to the appropriate department.

Are there any job opportunities available in the Park District?

Any current job opportunities can be found at www.mortongrovecparks.com/jobs.

When are the Board of Park Commissioner's meetings?

The Board meets every third Wednesday of each month. All meetings are open to the public.

How can I contact members of the Board of Park Commissioners?

You can contact the Board via email at board@mgparks.com.

Where are the parks, pools, and fitness center located?

You can find an interactive map at www.mortongrovecparks.com/interactive-park-map. Check out Club Fitness! Visit www.mortongrovecparks.com/club-fitness for amenities, classes, rates, and hours of operation. Join today!

Does the Park District provide services and programs for people with disabilities?

The park district partners with the Maine-Niles Association of Special Recreation to program programs and services. More information can be found at www.mnasr.org.

Local Resources

Maine-Niles Association of Special Recreation (M-NASR)

Since 1972, the Maine-Niles Association of Special Recreation (M-NASR) has provided and facilitated recreation programs and services for children, teens and adults with disabilities. M-NASR helps individuals with disabilities in these communities and beyond to access engaging recreation and leisure opportunities.

M-NASR Administrative Offices

6820 Dempster Street
Morton Grove, IL 60053
847-966-5522

www.mnasr.org

M-NASR Q & A

Who is eligible for M-NASR programs and park district inclusion services?

M-NASR programs and services are available to individuals with disabilities living within our seven member districts: Des Plaines Park District, Golf Maine Park District, Morton Grove Park District, Niles Park District, Park Ridge Park District, Skokie Park District and Lincolnwood's Parks & Recreation Department.

Individuals who live outside the M-NASR boundaries may register for M-NASR programs if spots remain after resident registration. Non-residents are required to pay the non-resident fees.

How often are M-NASR programs offered?

M-NASR programming is offered year-round and falls into four seasons of ongoing programs and special events – spring, summer, fall and winter. Registration opens approximately a month before a program season begins. If you would like to be added to M-NASR's email list and be notified about program registration, please call 847-966-5522.

Where can I find the most recent Program Guide?

A digital copy of the most recent program guide can always be found at www.mnasr.org/brochures. Hard copies are also available upon request.

How do I register for programs?

To register, go to mnasr.org and click on the Registration tab. Please call 847-966-5522 for online registration login information if you do not have it. You may also download a printable registration form at www.mnasr.org/brochures.

Are there any job opportunities available at M-NASR?

Any current job opportunities can be found at www.mnasr.org/employment.

When are the Board of Director's meetings?

A schedule of meetings can be found at www.mnasr.org/m-nasr-board-of-directors. All meetings are open to the public.

How can I support M-NASR?

Volunteer. Help others, have fun and make a difference in the community. Email lbarrera@mnasr.org.

- Donate. Make a financial donation at mnasr.org/donation.
- Sponsor. If you would like more information sponsoring M-NASR, email rmundt@mnasr.org.
- Like. Like us on Facebook or follow us on Instagram [@wearemnasr](https://www.instagram.com/wearemnasr) to see our latest news, photos and videos.

Who do I contact with questions about M-NASR programs or park district inclusion services?

You can call 847-966-5522 or contact Superintendent of Recreation, Lisa Barrera, at lbarrera@mnasr.org.

Local Resources

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, movies, videogames, mobile Wi-Fi hotspots, any of the fun and useful gadgets found in our Library of Things, and much more! Your MGPL card also gives you access to a wide range of digital and streaming options. Visit mgpl.org to browse the catalog, request items, and manage your account. From there you can also search and request items from the Library of Things and our digital and streaming collections.

Databases

Your card gets you access to premium online resources and databases, which include Consumer Reports, the New York Times, homework help, genealogy, test preparation, language learning, and the latest popular newspapers. Visit mgpl.org/databases to access anytime, anywhere.

Events

The Library provides free 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.

Passport Acceptance Services

Need to get a passport? Visit mgpl.org/passports to learn more and make an appointment.

License Plate Sticker Renewals

The Library also offers License Plate Sticker Renewals for Illinois residents who need to renew their license plates. Visit mgpl.org/license-plate-renewal for more information.

Copy/Print/Fax Services

Copying and printing in black and white or color are available for 10 cents per side in letter, legal, or ledger size. Scanning and faxing are available at no cost.

Local Resources

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 Preserves of Cook County

The Forest Preserves 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 Preserves of Cook County by visiting fpdcc.com.

The Forest Preserves 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 Preserves of Cook County

fpdcc.com

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



Morton Grove Chamber of Commerce

The Morton Grove Chamber of Commerce works to support and represent Morton Grove's local business community by advocating on business issues, providing business resources, and organizing networking and educational events. Every year, the Chamber issues a directory and community guide that is delivered to all Morton Grove residents and businesses. Residents seeking to start a new business in Morton Grove or promote an existing business may find Chamber membership to provide useful resources and events. For more information on the Chamber's activities and membership benefits, visit mgcci.org.

Morton Grove Chamber of Commerce

mgcci.org

6101 Capulina Avenue
Morton Grove, IL 60053
847-965-0330

Local Resources



Metra

Morton Grove is served by the Metra Milwaukee District North (MD-N) rail line, which runs from Chicago's Union Station to Fox Lake. The new Morton Grove Metra station is accessible and open for commuter use from 5:15 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. every day. An after-hours heated waiting area at the parking lot entrance is open from 5:15 a.m. to 1:30 a.m. For train schedules, a rail line map, and additional information about the station and parking, visit metrarail.com/maps-schedules/train-lines/MD-N. To purchase and manage your tickets, download the Metra app from the Apple App Store or Google Play.

Commuter parking for the Metra station is available in parking lot immediately west of the station (as ongoing construction permits) and along Elm Street and Lehigh Avenue. The Village is also providing approximately 50 new spaces along Main Street and Nagle Avenue. For paid daily parking, securely view your parking history and print your parking receipts online at www.passportparking.com.

The Ventra app lets you buy and display Metra tickets on your smartphone using a credit or debit card or Ventra account. Learn more about the Ventra app on the following page.

Morton Grove Metra Station

www.metrarail.com

8501 Lehigh Avenue

Morton Grove, IL 60053

Pace

Pace Suburban Bus Service provides affordable and efficient public bus service to Morton Grove, connecting the community to the surrounding area. With more than 200 routes across 220 communities, fixed bus routes provide access throughout the region for just \$2.00 each way (with a Ventra card or \$2.25 cash). For route maps and schedules, visit www.pacebus.com. Morton Grove is served by six bus routes:

1. 250 - Dempster Street

The 250 bus route has 84 stops departing from O'Hare Multi-Modal Facility and ending at the Davis Street CTA Station in Evanston. Key stops include the Dempster Skokie Swift Yellow Line CTA Station, Downtown Evanston, Lutheran General Hospital, and O'Hare International Airport.

2. Pulse Dempster Line Route

The Pulse Dempster Line is a bus rapid transit route that complements the regular Route 250 service. In Morton Grove, there are stops at Austin, Waukegan, and Harlem. This line features signal priority and stations equipped with modern amenities such as heated shelters, real-time signage, and level boarding, ensuring reliability and fast service. Service operates every 15 minutes on weekdays from approximately 5:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., with service extending to every 20 minutes until around 1:00 a.m. On weekends and holidays, buses run every 15 minutes between 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., with a frequency of every 20 minutes during early morning and late evening hours. For a complete schedule, visit www.pacebus.com/route/pulse-dempster-line.

3. 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.

Local Resources

4. 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.

5. 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.

6. 423 - Linden CTA - The Glen - Harlem CTA

The 423 bus route provides weekday service from Wilmette to Chicago with 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.

In addition to the traditional fixed bus routes, Pace operates several other services that exist in places where no fixed route exists or meet individual riders' needs. For instance, Pace's vanpool services are usually for groups of coworkers traveling to work together on a daily basis. Other reservation-based services linked below are for local trips whose origins and destinations vary from day to day. Eligibility, fare, and geographic areas served are different for each of those services. To learn more, visit www.pacebus.com/find-your-pace.

Pace also provides Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) paratransit service to the Morton Grove community. All riders in northeastern Illinois must be certified by the RTA to use ADA Paratransit. For more information on how to become a paratransit rider, visit www.pacebus.com/ada.



Ventra

For all Pace fixed route and on-demand bus services and Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) bus and train services, the easiest way to pay your fare is with a registered Ventra Card. Get your Ventra Card (or add transit value or a multi-day pass) online, at a vending machine, or at hundreds of regional retailers. Tap your Ventra card on the Ventra reader at the front of the Pace or CTA bus as you board, or at a CTA train entrance reader. A new card costs \$5.00, and the one-time purchase fee is immediately refunded as transit value upon account registration.

Riders with smartphones can benefit from the Ventra app, which allows customers to buy Pace, CTA, and Metra tickets. Mobile Metra tickets are displayed on your device's screen, so you can just activate your ticket when you board your train and show your ticket to the Metra conductor when asked.

Visit www.ventrachicago.com to learn more.

Local Resources

Houses of Worship

Jerusalem Lutheran Church & School

www.jerusalemchurch.org

6218 Capulina Avenue
Morton Grove, IL 60053
847-965-7340

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses

www.jw.org/en

6730 Beckwith Road
Morton Grove, IL 60053
847-965-0360

Korean Ark Covenant Church

9233 Shermer Road
Morton Grove, IL 60053
847-966-2068

Muslim Education Center/Mosque

mccchicago.org

8601 Menard Avenue
Morton Grove, IL 60053
847-581-9410



St. Luke's Christian Community Church

www.stlukesccc.net

9233 Shermer Road
Morton Grove, IL 60053
847-966-9233

St. Martha Catholic Church

www.saintmarthachurch.org

8523 Georgiana Avenue
Morton Grove, IL 60053
847-965-0262

St. Mary's Knanaya Catholic Church

smkcp parish.us

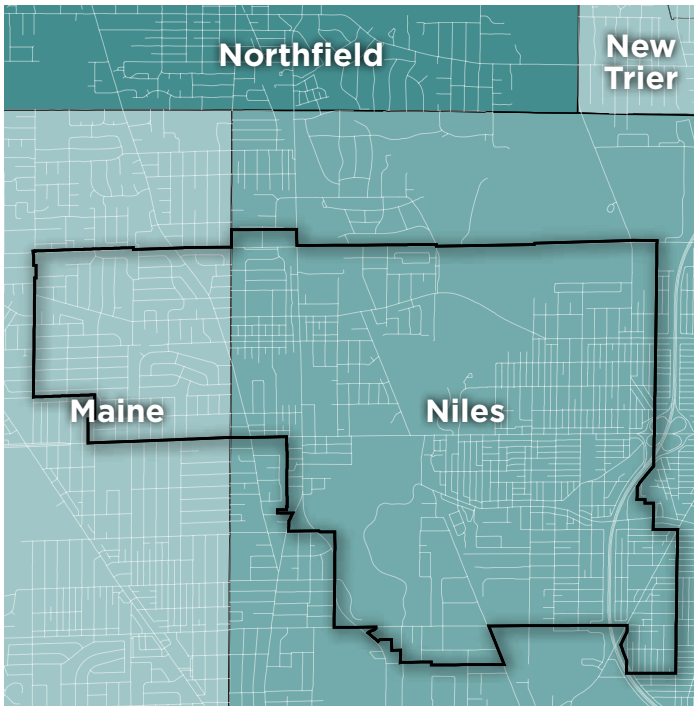
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Morton Grove, IL 60053
847-919-5279

Unity Islamic Center

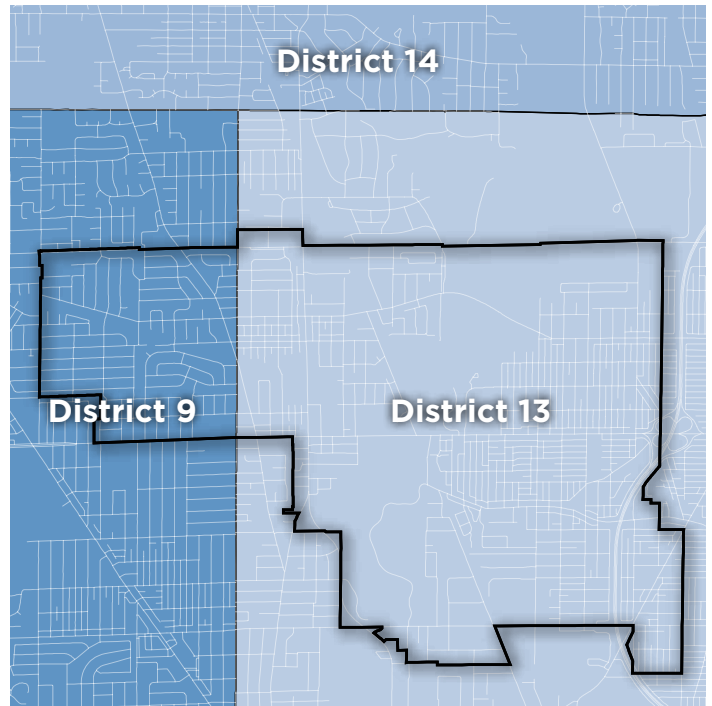
uicmg.org

8944 Austin Avenue
Morton Grove, IL 60053
630-674-6872

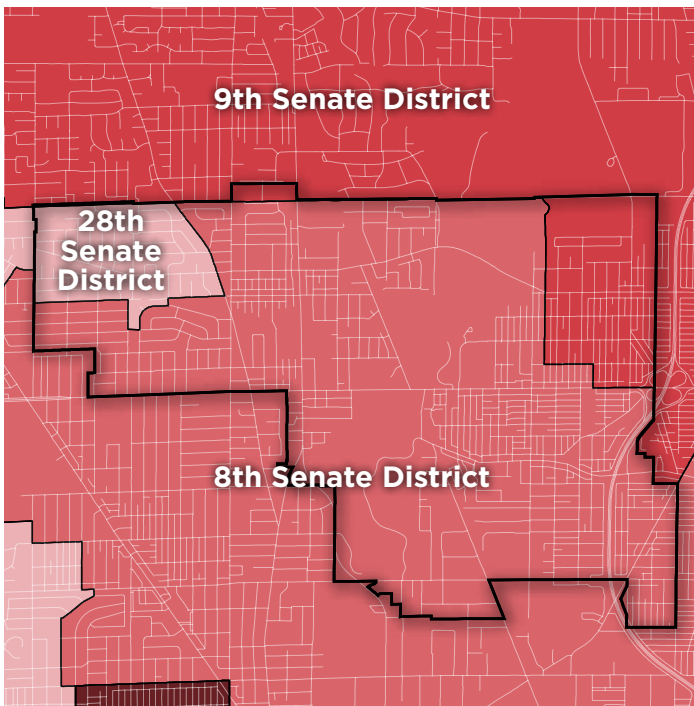
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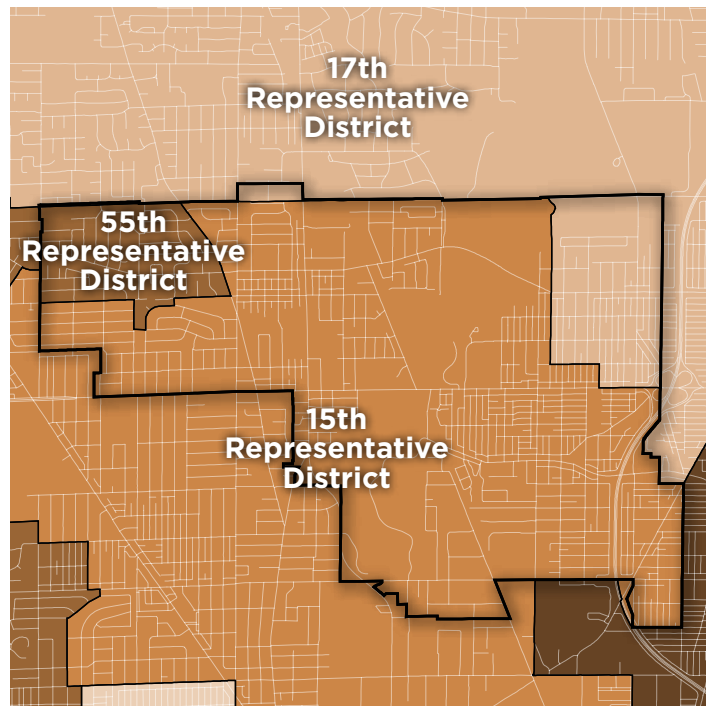
Township Map



Cook County Commissioner Map



Illinois State Senate Map



Illinois House Map

County, State & Federal Government

Maine & Niles 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 townships 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 Josina Morita, 13th District

Josina.Morita@cookcountyil.gov

312-603-6383

Represents 13th District residents located east of Harlem Avenue.

Commissioner Maggie Trevor, 9th District

district9@cookcountyil.gov

312-603-4393

Represents 9th District residents located west of Harlem Avenue.

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Key Cook County Offices

Cook County Assessor's Office

www.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 tax-relief programs. A property search at www.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

www.cookcountyclerk.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 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 provided 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/federal-and-state-representatives.

State of Illinois Governor

Governor J.B. Pritzker

gov.illinois.gov/contact-us.html

555 W. Monroe
Chicago, IL 60661
312-814-2121 (888-340-1009 for hearing impaired)

State of Illinois Senate

Senator Laura Fine, District 9

www.senatorfine.com/contact

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

Senator Ram Villivalam, District 8

www.senatorram.com/contact-us

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

County, State & Federal Government

Senator Laura Murphy, District 28

www.senatorlauramurphy.com/contact-us

1645 South River Road, Suite 7

Des Plaines, IL 60018

847-718-1110

State of Illinois House of Representatives

Representative Michael Kelly, District 15

repkelly.com/contact-us

4200 W. Lawrence Avenue

Chicago, IL 60630

773-736-0218

Representative Jennifer Gong-Gershowitz, District 17

gonggershowitz.com/contact

1812 Waukegan Road, Suite B

Glenview, IL 60025

847-486-8810

Representative Justin Cochran, District 55

24 S. Des Plaines River Road, Suite 400

Des Plaines, IL 60016

847-635-6821

Programs & Services

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

Cars & Transportation

www.illinois.gov/residents/cars-transportation.html

- Accessible parking abuse complaints
- Driver's license & State ID services
- License plate purchasing & renewal
- Vehicle title & registration services

Family & Home

www.illinois.gov/residents/family-home.html

- Benefit access program
- Cash and Food Stamps Assistance (SNAP)
- Child support services
- Community Care Program (CCP)



- Consumer insurance complaints
- Food Assistance for Women, Infants, & Children (WIC)
- Foreclosure assistance
- Foster parent & adoption services
- Power of Attorney assignment
- Utility financial assistance

Health & Safety

www.illinois.gov/residents/health---safety.html

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

Resident Resources

www.illinois.gov/residents/resident-resources.html

- Developmental Disabilities Act
- Genealogy
- Illinois Partners in Policymaking Leadership Training
- Utility bill assistance

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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-state-representatives**.

U.S. Senate

Senator Richard Durbin

www.durbin.senate.gov/contact/email

230 S. Dearborn, Suite 3892

Chicago, IL 60604

312-353-4952

Senator Tammy Duckworth

www.duckworth.senate.gov/connect/email-tammy

230 S. Dearborn, Suite 3900

Chicago, IL 60604

312-886-3506

U.S. House of Representatives

Congresswoman Janice Schakowsky, District 9

jan.schakowsky@mail.house.gov

820 Davis Street, Suite 105

Evanston, IL 60201

847-328-3409

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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



Community Portal

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.

Standard PDF Maps

Transportation Map

www.mortongroveil.org/transportationmap

Zoning Map

www.mortongroveil.org/zoningmap

School District Map

www.mortongroveil.org/schooldistrictmap

Congressional District Map

www.mortongroveil.org/congress-map

Illinois Senate District Map

www.mortongroveil.org/senate-map

Illinois House of Representatives District Map

www.mortongroveil.org/house-map

Street Sweeping & Leaf Pick-Up Map

www.mortongroveil.org/streetsweepingmap

Garbage Pick-Up Map

www.mortongroveil.org/services/maps/garbage-pickup-map



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.
- 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.



Curbside Recycling Guidelines

**Materials go in cart LOOSE!
Empty & Clean!**



Plastic

**Bottles - Caps On Preferred,
Tubs, Jugs, Jars
No Bags or Film
No Foam**



Glass

Bottles & Jars



Metal

Steel & Aluminum



Mixed Paper & Cartons

Flatten Boxes

Verify details with your community's recycler!

Do Not Put in Recycling Carts!



**No Electronics
or Sharps**



**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.






MORTON GROVE
Incredibly Close ✦ Amazingly Open

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