



SPECIAL EARTH MONTH 2021 EDITION

MAYOR DIMARIA'S WATER CONSERVATION CHALLENGE



This April, I am challenging our residents to help save our planet by taking the 2021 Wyland Foundation's Annual National Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation. The Mayor's Challenge consists of easy-to-use online pledges to conserve water, energy and other natural resources. Participants can win hundreds of eco-friendly prizes and a chance to win a Toyota Hybrid SUV for a deserving Morton Grove charity and more. Remember, your efforts today will create a better planet tomorrow!

Your Mayor, Dan DiMaria

 WYLAND FOUNDATION

Take the Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation

April 1-30

MYWATERPLEDGE.COM

WIN \$3000
for your home utilities -
and a Toyota Highlander
for a charity near you!



SPREAD THE WORD ON SIMPLE WAYS TO SAVE WATER

It's fun, free, and easy! Simply choose an action to take on behalf of the Village at mywaterpledge.com.

Enter "Morton Grove" as the city and take the pledge!

HELP MORTON GROVE WIN!

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Electronics Recycling & Document Destruction Event

Saturday, May 15 | 9 a.m. to Noon
Morton Grove Public Works - 7840 Nagle Avenue

All residents of Morton Grove and other Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC) communities are eligible to participate in this free event. IDs will be checked for proof of residency. Visit SWANCC's website www.swancc.org or call (847) 724-9205 for details including other drop-off locations and dates.

- Drive up
- Wear a mask and remain in your vehicle
- Keep a safe distance
- Your items will be removed
- If you are experiencing COVID symptoms, stay home!

As a courtesy, please remove electronics from plastic packaging and boxes prior to the SWANCC event.



Acceptable Items: Cable receivers, cell phones, computer monitors, computers, keyboards, printers, televisions (all types), scanners, video game consoles, video recorders/players.

DO NOT bring: Dehumidifiers, Humidifiers, Air Conditioners, Vacuum Cleaners, Refrigerators or other large home appliances. SWANCC also provides a variety of other drop-off locations to assist residents with the task of recycling sensitive documents, electronics and other items diverting them from landfills.

DO NOT bring: paper in plastic bags. Plastic is a contaminant, as are photos, slides, and any non-paper item. Do NOT include magazines, greeting cards or newspapers, as they can be recycled curbside.

2021 Landscape Waste Collection:

March 16th to December 15th

Each year, residents have the option to pay per bag for landscape waste or can participate in the following subscription services:

Landscape Waste Bag or Bundle Program:

\$120.00/season: Subscribing residents may place up to three (3) landscape waste bags or bundles for collection per week. Each bag or bundle will not require a prepaid sticker.

Landscape Waste/Food Scrap Subscription Program:

65 Gallon Container \$140.00/season

95 Gallon Container \$160.00/season

Residents may participate in food waste composting by subscribing to the new 95 or 65 gallon landscape subscription program. 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.

Landscape Sticker Program:

Residents can purchase landscape waste stickers to affix to each bundle or 30 gallon, two (2) ply kraft style landscape waste bag for collection. There is no limit to the number of landscape waste bags that will be collected. Stickers cost \$2.29 each and can be purchased at:

- Village of Morton Grove | 6101 Capulina Avenue – 847-965-4100
- Jewel Food Store (at Milwaukee & Oakton) – 847-965-3925
- Morton Grove Food Mart (at Lincoln & Marmora)
- Menards (at Oakton & River Dr.) – 847-966-1400



**For Landscape Waste Subscription Options or general information,
please contact Groot Customer Services at (800)-244-1977**



PASSPORT TO A GREENER MORTON GROVE

April 1-30

The Passport To A **Greener** Morton Grove Contest is a fun interactive way for the whole family to be environmentally conscious and develop new habits to move Morton Grove closer to our sustainability goals. Use the “passports” on the next two pages to mark off stamps after you complete a designated environmental task. Completed passports can be returned to the Village for a chance to win a prize!

How to Play

1. Review the 4 passports on the next two pages.
2. Each passport has 9 picture “stamps” that describe tasks to “go green”.
3. Mark an “X” through the stamp after completing a task.
4. Mark off at least 6 stamps on a passport.
5. Fill out the contact info on the passport and email a picture of it to:

ENRC@mortongroveil.org

or drop-off/mail the passport to:

**Passport to a Greener Morton Grove
6101 Capulina Avenue
Morton Grove, IL 60053**

Every time you complete and submit a passport, you will be entered into a raffle for eco-friendly prizes and gift certificates. You must be a Morton Grove resident to win a prize. One prize per household. Scan the code on each passport or visit www.mortongroveil.org/ENRC for more information and ideas on how you can help our environment.

Morton Grove Welcomes New Food Scrap Program

The Village of Morton Grove has partnered with Collective Resource Inc. to provide residents with a new option to recycle food scraps. Collective Resource will provide residents with a food scraps collection container which is picked up weekly and taken to a commercial composting facility.

Composting reduces the volume of waste that is sent to the landfill and retains nutrients for future reuse. Fewer food scraps

sitting in a landfill means that less methane gas is created and precious space is not being used for food waste.

Composting also returns the vitamins and minerals found in food scraps back to the Earth to promote healthy soil. Using nutrient-rich soil reduces the need for water, fertilizer, and pesticides in agriculture.

Learn more & sign up at collectiveresource.us



**COLLECTIVE
RESOURCE™
COMPOST**

REDUCE ENERGY AT HOME

NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____



LOWERED THE
TEMPERATURE OF
THE WATER
HEATER



WASHED MY
LAUNDRY WITH
COLD WATER



TURNED DOWN
MY THERMOSTAT
WHEN I WENT TO
SLEEP



SEALED A CRACK
OR LEAK BY A
WINDOW OR
DOOR



Scan to learn more!



READING OVER
STREAMING



TURNED OFF
LIGHTS WHEN
NOT IN THE ROOM



UNPLUGGED
GAMING
CONSOLES WHEN
NOT IN USE



USED DAYLIGHT
INSTEAD OF
ELECTRICITY
WHEN POSSIBLE



UNPLUGGED MY
CHARGER WHEN
DONE USING

TRANSPORTATION

NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____



INVESTIGATED
HISTORY OF
CHICAGO'S
PUBLIC TRANSIT



CALCULATED THE
COST OF MY
COMMUTE USING
PACE'S ONLINE
TOOL



PLANNED YOUR
ERRANDS TO USE
LESS FUEL



READ UP ON
BIKING 101
CLASSES



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PERFORMED
NEEDED
MAINTENANCE
ON BIKE



DISCOVERED TIPS
ON HOW TO BIKE
TO WORK



FILLED AUTO TIRES
TO SUGGESTED
LEVELS



RESEARCHED WHY
AN ELECTRIC
VEHICLE IS A GOOD
OPTION FOR MY
FAMILY



LEARNED OR
REVIEWED ROAD
RULES FOR
BICYCLING



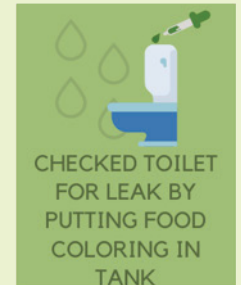
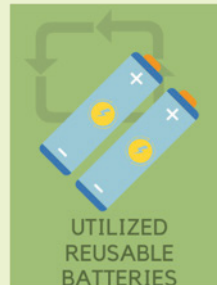
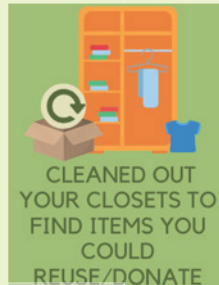
MAKE AN IMPACT FROM HOME

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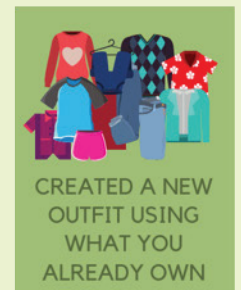
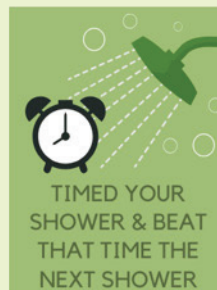
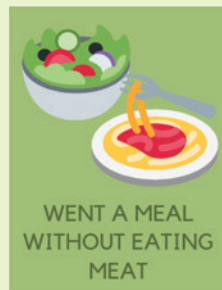
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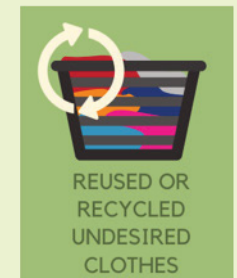
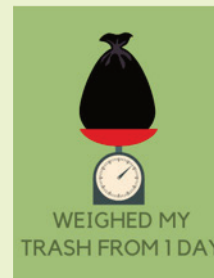
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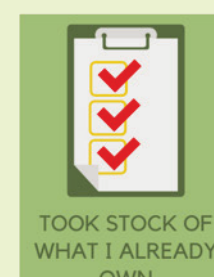
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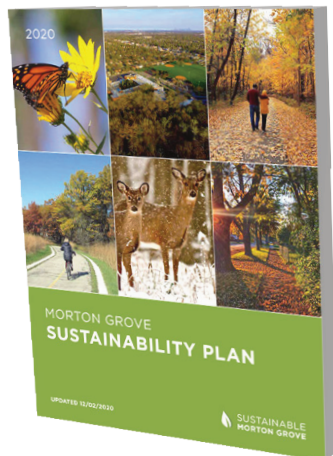
MORTON GROVE SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

On January 25, 2021, the Village Board officially adopted the Morton Grove Sustainability Plan. This plan is a guide for the Village's efforts toward creating a more sustainable community and region from 2020 to 2030.

Thank you to the members of the
Morton Grove Environment and Natural Resources
Commission
for all their efforts in developing the
2020-2030 Morton Grove Sustainability Plan

Chairperson
Georgianne Brunner

Commissioners:
Christine Corelli
Andrew Hoffman
Yvette Karp
Tariq Laliwala
Terry LeBeau
Jan Pietron
Gia Schultz
Sarah Tag



You can view and download a copy of the plan at:
www.mortongroveil.org/ENRC

EPA Ranks Morton Grove 34th in the USA for Percentage of Green Power Consumed

The Village has been designated as a US EPA Green Power Community, at zero cost to residents by creatively using our electrical aggregation capabilities. Residents' power consumption is offset by the purchase of Renewable Energy Certificates ("REC"s) from renewable energy such as wind and solar resources.

To learn more visit:
www.mortongroveil.org/eap



2021 ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

April 30, 2021 at 1:00 pm
Jerusalem Lutheran School
6218 Capulina Avenue



Every year, one Morton Grove school is selected to host the Arbor Day Celebration. A tree is planted in honor of Arbor Day and students receive information packets teaching them the importance of trees in the Village. Students also receive a sapling to take home and plant. Residents are welcome to come watch the tree planting ceremony. Please practice all COVID guidelines.

COVID -19 VACCINE INFORMATION

How soon can we get the vaccine and where?

We are continuing to see challenges nationwide and statewide throughout the vaccination process. The majority of the challenges can be attributed to the limited vaccine supply.

The Cook County Department of Public Health (CCDPH) remains the primary public source for vaccine access for residents of Cook County and Morton Grove. We are currently working with private pharmaceutical vendors to identify other available supply options and possible dispensing opportunities. Since municipalities don't control the distribution of vaccine, we are limited in the demands we can make of the private sector. We continue to work closely with Cook County to identify actions we can take in Morton Grove to increase the availability of vaccine to our residents. While we continue to seek opportunities, we encourage all residents to register with CCDPH at vaccine.cookcountyil.gov or by calling the Vaccine Sign-Up Hotline: 833-308-1988 M-F 7am-7pm.

What can residents expect regarding a local large-scale vaccination opportunity?

We are working with the county, state and private pharmaceutical vendors and all interested parties to have one or more local vaccination event(s). From the Village's perspective, our paramedics are trained to administer the vaccine, we are prepared to conduct an event at our Civic Center, and we are ready to receive/open a specific Village hotline for registration. What we don't have at this moment is a vaccine provider. We are confident that at least one of several opportunities will materialize.

How will residents be notified of a local large-scale vaccination opportunity?

Broad based distribution of the registration opportunity will be provided on social media and with our mass communication – reverse 911 phone system.

What can I do when I'm fully vaccinated?

- Visit with other fully vaccinated people indoors without wearing masks or physical distancing.
- Visit with unvaccinated people from a single household who are at low risk for severe COVID-19 disease indoors without wearing masks or physical distancing.
- Refrain from quarantine and testing following a known exposure if asymptomatic.

For now, fully vaccinated people should continue to wear masks, practice physical distancing, and adhere to other prevention measures when visiting with unvaccinated people who are at increased risk for severe COVID-19 disease or who have an unvaccinated household member who is at increased risk for severe COVID-19 disease.

Beware of vaccine scams!

- The COVID-19 vaccine is FREE to all Americans. If anyone contacts you and asks for a payment to sign up, make an appointment, or reserve a spot in line for you to receive the vaccine - IT IS A SCAM!
- Please report any vaccine scams to local law enforcement.

Where To Sign Up For A Vaccine

Cook County Dept of Health vaccine.cookcountyil.gov
833-308-1988 M-F 7am-7pm

United Center zocdoc.com/vaccine
(312) 746-4835 M-F 8am-8pm

Walgreens walgreens.com

CVS cvs.com

Marianos kroger.com

Jewl Osco mhealthappointments.com



For more information visit cdc.gov





BULK RATE
U.S. Postage
PAID
Permit No. 22
Morton Grove IL
60053

Village Phone Numbers

Police, Fire or Medical Emergency
9-1-1

Fire Administration
847-470-5226

Police Administration
847-470-5200

Public Works
847-470-5235

Senior Hotline
847-663-3070

24-Hour Municipal Hotline
847-663-6161

VILLAGE FACILITIES

Village Hall (Switchboard)
847-965-4100

Village Administrator
847-470-5220

Building & Inspectional Services
847-663-3040

**Community & Economic
Development**
847-663-3063

Civic Center Rentals
847-663-3071

Village Officials

President Daniel P. DiMaria
Village Clerk Eileen Scanlon Harford

Trustees
Bill Gear | Rita Minx | Ed Ramos
John Thill | Connie Travis | Janine Witko

Village Administrator
Ralph E. Czerwinski
Village Attorney
Teresa Hoffman Liston

TO: POSTAL CUSTOMER
MORTON GROVE, IL 60053

FREE ComEd Energy Assessment

ComEd customers have opportunities to reduce energy usage with a FREE energy assessment that includes free and discounted products for your home. ComEd offers either an in-home or virtual home energy assessment and has partnered with NICOR to bring electric and natural gas savings to residents. Residents can schedule an assessment by calling 630-929-2231.



Virtual Home Assessment

- Free visual inspection of your home for energy-saving opportunities using video sharing software
- Personalized assessment report
- Delivery of free energy-saving products for you to install

In-Home Energy Assessment

- In-person inspection of your home for energy-saving opportunities
- Personalized assessment report
- Installation of free energy-saving products

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Water Sprinkler Regulations

Each year the Village imposes restrictions on lawn sprinkling from May 15th- September 15th. Sprinkling is allowed daily during the following hours ONLY:

5 a.m. - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. - 11 p.m.

These restrictions apply to all residential, commercial, and industrial properties. These restrictions do not apply to hand-held sprinkling hoses.

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