

# Village of Orland Hills



Newsletter from the Village of Orland Hills

Winter 2025



Mayor Kyle R. Hastings

## Orland Hills Tax Refund

The application process for the historic tax refund took place during the week of January 6-11 at Georgios Banquet & Quality Inn. Orland Hills is one of a handful of towns who gives money back to their residents. The Village of Crestwood is the pioneer who started the refund of tax money to residents decades ago with money coming from their strong retail tax base and first generation of OTB licenses.

Mayor Kyle Hastings said, *"The Board of Trustees and I are proud to implement this tax refund. We run our Village like a successful business, unlike other towns you hear and read about. This is a great moment in Orland Hills where we can say that many of us live property tax free or pay minimal property tax."*

Our Village of Orland Hills Board provided a referendum to voters asking whether the Village should rebate a portion of cannabis tax money to residents. Our residents spoke and overwhelmingly approved the referendum.

The formula for the tax refund is as follows:

$\$500,000 \text{ divided by the number of applicants} = (\text{maximum}) \text{ refund amount}$

We are estimating 1,000 tax paying homeowners applying. So, we will take \$500,000 divided by 1,000 to equal the tax money the approved applicants/homeowners will receive. Then that will be the (maximum) refund paid to approved homeowners.

There are several revenue streams that enter into Orland Hills in order for our Village to operate. But the most direct impact to our residents is Orland Hills property tax. Property taxes go to pay for our police protection, all aspects of public works, the recreation department operations, general administration of the Village, and all other services the Village provides.

Since we are estimating 1,000 tax paying homeowners to apply, here are 3 examples of refunds:

### ► Example #1

You pay \$250 property tax to the Village of Orland Hills:

$\$500,000 \text{ divided by } 1,000 \text{ homeowners} = \$500$

You will receive a check for the entire \$250 in tax you paid. The other half of the \$500 will be placed into a line item fund for the next tax refund.

### ► Example #2

You pay \$500 property tax to the Village of Orland Hills:

$\$500,000 \text{ divided by } 1,000 \text{ homeowners} = \$500$

You will receive a \$500 check. The entire property tax will be refunded to you. Therefore, as a taxpayer, you will pay zero property tax to Orland Hills.

### ► Example #3

You pay \$750 property tax to the Village of Orland Hills:

$\$500,000 \text{ divided by } 1,000 \text{ homeowners} = \$500$

You will receive a \$500 check. The remaining \$250 will be the difference between the total Village amount and the amount of tax refund.

This property tax refund provides many benefits to us in Orland Hills. Here are a few that come to mind. First, residents receive tax money back. Second, this will increase the home values for residents of Orland Hills. There will be a tremendous demand of people wanting to live in our town. Lastly, what town can you live in where you pay little or zero money for public services? There are a few towns that refund tax money. But Orland Hills is one of the few to refund all or a good portion of property tax.

Mayor Hastings added, *"This is another example of why Orland Hills is a great place to live! Whether you use this refund check for your taxes or another bill, this is another great moment in our Village. Enjoy your refund!"*

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# 2024 YEAR in REVIEW

*Under the Administration of Mayor Kyle R. Hastings and the Village Board of Trustees, the Village of Orland Hills Recreation Department would like to highlight some of last year's achievements. These accomplishments include capital park improvements, special event activities, and recreational programming.*

## Michael E. Hastings Sports Complex

In January 2024, the Recreation Department began accepting rental requests for the Michael E. Hastings Sports Complex from several organizations and associations. The first team to step foot on the turf happened on Tuesday, January 2nd. This day marked the beginning of a great year for the new synthetic turf field. Over the course of the winter months, many organizations and associations began to call the Michael E. Hastings Sports Complex their "home."



## State-of-the-Art Fitness Center

At the end of March, the Recreation Department had a soft opening for the State-of-the-Art Fitness Center. More than 100 patrons came through to experience the new fitness center. On April 9th, we officially began accepting membership applications for the fitness center. Our first day was a huge success and we have been growing ever since in membership.

Check out the following pages for more information to join the Village of Orland Hills Fitness Center!



After the Fitness Center opened, we began offering fitness programs, including Yoga on Monday and Wednesday nights with Ms. Penny and Ms. Jackie. Both classes are extremely popular and are expanding.

We also offer three classes with Ms. Jill Lenzen from B3 Fitness, ranging from an Instructional Class to Nutrition. Thank you, Ms. Jill, for offering these wonderful classes to our community!

We also expanded our operational hours and are now open on Sundays. This is a great added feature to our complex for residents to enjoy the amenities.

## Spring Events

Last year, the Recreation Department hosted several hippity hoppity events to celebrate Easter. The Easter Bunny Egg Hunt was held on our new synthetic turf field and was a huge success. Everyone loved this amazing event! The Village also sponsored an Easter Parade, featuring the Easter Bunny, a Public Works truck, and police cars in front and at the rear. The Easter Bunny rode through the Village waving and tossing out candy to the residents. It was a gorgeous day for the parade and many residents were excited to see the Easter Bunny.



Last year, the Rec Department again extended our Community Center hours on weekends and in the evenings for residents celebrating Ramadan. This allows many residents to come together to celebrate this holiday.



Once the weather broke, we began our Spring/Summer cleanup of the parks. This included making paint touch-ups, checking park equipment, and refilling the wood chips in each of the parks. We also installed two more concrete pads at our Memorial Tree Tribute. If you have a loved one you would like to honor at the Memorial Tree, please reach out to the Rec Department.

Last spring we also opened our new outdoor Pickleball courts. We currently have three courts for our community to use. The courts were continuously busy until daylight savings took effect. Therefore, we are in the process of looking to install outdoor lighting so these courts can be used even after the days get shorter.

Last May, the Rec Department held our 4th Annual Bass Fishing Tournament. People of all ages participated. The winner caught a 16-3/4" largemouth bass.

## Summer Fun

In June, the Village hosted our annual Party In the Park celebration. Attendees enjoyed music from bands, including Anthem, Libido Funk Circus, Hairbangers Ball, and American English, just to name a few! The fireworks from Mad Bomber were amazing, as always. The children enjoyed the bounce houses and the petting zoo, as well. We look forward to seeing everyone this upcoming summer.



Once again last summer, the Tinley Park Bookmobile hosted Storytime in the Park on Wednesdays in June, July, and August to read stories to children in our community. We are also proud to announce that the Community Center will host the Tinley Park Library's Storytime program on Thursdays at 6:30pm starting January 9th. What a wonderful added program for our community!

# 2024 YEAR in REVIEW

At the end of July we began hosting practices for the newly formed Orland Hills / Tinley Park Bobcats Tackle Football program. The inaugural home game was held on Sunday, August 25th against Crete. Overall, this partnership went well and Village staff did a fantastic job maintaining the field conditions and being readily available to help.



The 42nd Annual Fishing Derby was held at Ashbourne Lake on Saturday, August 3rd. More than 130 people participated in the event, which included 40 registered anglers. Some of the largest fish caught at the fishing derby were a 6-1/2" pan fish, a 13-1/4" largemouth bass and a 16" catfish!



## Fall Activities

In early fall, the Orland Hills Wolves Youth Flag Football League kicked off their 5th season at Kelly Park. The players began with clinics, team practices, scrimmages, and league games. Every year the league gets larger. Thanks to Joey's Food Truck being here every game day.

In October, residents wearing awesome costumes attended the 31st Annual Halloween Costume Bash. Festivities included fun Halloween themed music provided by Mobile DJ Services (Judy Jenks), candy and treats from rec staff members, jumpies inside the gym, and a costume judging contest. The first, second, and third place winners of each age group received plaques.



The 31st Annual 1-Mile Junior / 5k Open Turkey Trot Race happened on Saturday, November 9th. Last year, all participants received a Participation Medal. This new feature was very well-received by all runners! The race started at Kelly Park and ran through the paths in the Village. The day was cold and windy, but overall it was a great day. More than 150 people registered for the race, 37 participated in the 1-Mile Jr. Race and more than 75 racers participated in the 5K Open Race.



## Holiday Happenings

To kick off the 2024 Holiday season, Santa came to town by helicopter on Saturday, December 7th to the warm welcome of Orland Hills residents. Hot chocolate and cookies were served. After his arrival, Santa rode through the village by horse-drawn carriage spreading holiday cheer to all of the residents of Orland Hills. Everyone loved seeing Santa!



NEW for 2024, we offered a magical experience during our “Winter Wonderland” event held on Saturday, December 7th at our Michael E. Hastings Sports Complex and Community Center! More than 300 people enjoyed this magical event which included walking into the building under the twinkling lights, our cozy theatre for watching holiday movies, cookie decorating, ornament making, and writing letters to Santa! Santa was, as always, a huge hit with the crowd. The Grinch and the wonderful “frozen” Princesses came to visit, too! There was also a ton of fun on the synthetic turf with two full obstacle jumpies and two additional slide jumpies! We had holiday music being played on the turf and the wonderful music playing from our DJ in the gym (Judy Jenks). Thank you to all you made this event a huge success its first year!



The following weekend kids of all ages boarded the Polar Express and took the train to Joliet to find Santa at the station and then get a picture. On the way home, Santa, staff, and families sang Christmas carols on the train.

On December 21st, more than 450 people attended our annual Breakfast with Santa. Those Funny Little People entertained the crowd. Children were given coloring books and crayons while they enjoyed their breakfast. Kids of all ages took pictures with Santa and the Grinch!

Residents were also treated to a Village-wide parade where Trustee Kyle Hastings II, Orland Hills Public Works, and the Orland Hills Police Department escorted Santa through every street, cul-de-sac, and housing complex within the Village over the span of three evenings. Residents greeted Santa as he waved from his Santamobile.

The Recreation Department is continually evaluating programs to bring the best activities and events to the Village. We are always open to suggestions. *We look forward to another great year ahead in 2025!*



# JOIN OUR FITNESS CENTER



	<b>Resident Monthly Membership</b>	<b>Resident Yearly Initiation Fee</b>	<b>Resident Yearly Membership plus Initiation Fee</b>
*Student Ages 14-22 (With Student ID)	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$70.00
Individual Ages 18-59	\$10.00	\$25.00	\$145.00
Family of Four	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$390.00
Additional Family Member	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$65.00
Active Adult (60+)	FREE	FREE	FREE

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**2024 IN REVIEW**

Happy New Year, residents! The Police Department had a very productive year in 2024. In January, we welcomed Daniel Spano to our department after he successfully graduated from the Police Academy. Shortly thereafter, we enrolled four more officer recruits into the next academy. All of those recruits are slated to graduate next month. The department is excited for them. In addition, Officer Michael Dill was promoted to full-time ranks, as was much deserved!

Our department added a utility task vehicle (UTV) to our fleet in the spring. The unit made its debut at the Party in the Park celebration at the end of June. This UTV was generously donated to us by Coy's Towing. Bike and foot patrols continued throughout the Village concentrating on our parks and walking paths.

The Police Department acquired two drones this past spring. These drones immediately proved beneficial to our Village and for neighboring towns, as well.

Sgt. Brkovic was honored by the Orland Park Police Department for his work on a successful joint narcotics and weapons investigation.

As always during the holidays, our Police assist the Village's Recreation Department and other departments with their holiday activities to make sure everything runs smoothly.

The Police Department would like to wish you and yours a healthy and safe new year! We are dedicated to our Village and the residents.

*Sandy Retires After 23 Years*

*You may recognize Sandy from the Village Hall. After 23 years with the Village, Sandy has retired. A retirement party was held on her behalf with the Mayor and the Village staff.*

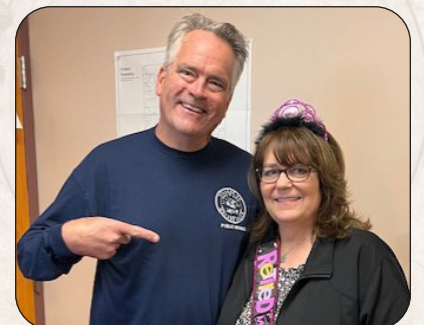
*Everyone in the Village appreciates Sandy's dedication to the Village. We all hope she will enjoy no longer having to wake up to an alarm, and we wish her the best as she enters a new chapter in her life!*



Mayor Kyle presents Sandy with her Recognition plaque.



Retired Village employees also attended the party. It's always great to see them!



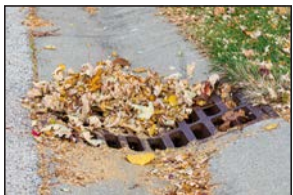
Village Engineer Brad Brink with Sandy.

## BUILDING DEPARTMENT



### FLASH FLOODS WINTER STORMS

Winter storms can cause flash flooding! Please remember to check your sump pump and discharge line to insure they are working properly. Check your gutters & downspouts to insure they divert water away from your foundation. If you have a sewer near your home, check to make sure the grate is free & clear of debris. Time spent now could protect against basement flooding.



#### QUESTIONS ABOUT FLOODING?

- ✓ Call the Building Department at 708-349-4887

#### SEWER PROBLEMS?

- ✓ Ask the Village Hall for a free copy of *Guide to Flood Protection*



#### WET BASEMENT?

- ✓ INSPECT YOUR SUMP PUMP
- ✓ MAKE SURE YOUR DOWNSPOUTS DRAIN AWAY FROM YOUR HOUSE
- ✓ Ask the Village Hall for a free copy of *Guide to Flood Protection*.



### FLOOD MAPS AND FLOOD PROTECTION

The Village Building Department in the Village Hall provides the following:

- ✓ Information on whether a property is in mapped floodplain and related Flood Insurance Rate Map Data
- ✓ Records of past flooding
- ✓ Free Copies of the Village's *Guide to Flood Protection*
- ✓ Advice on how to protect a building from water problems
- ✓ Guidance on the laws that govern construction and property improvements
- ✓ Site visits to view the cause of and possible solutions to a problem

Call the Building Department at (708)349-4887 with any questions.  
*Flood Maps and Flood Protection references are also available at the  
Tinley Park Library [www.tplibrary.org](http://www.tplibrary.org).*



# Protect Yourself From Flooding

If you live near Tinley Creek, or if you have experienced water problems in the past, you shouldn't wait for the problem to go away. Here are some things you can do:

## Get the information:

- ▶ The Building Department can tell you if you are in a mapped flood zone and provide additional information needed for a flood insurance policy. Call the Building Department at 708-349-4887.
- ▶ Ask the Building Department staff to visit your property to see what advice they have on the cause of the problem and possible solutions.
- ▶ Ask for a free copy of the Village's *Guide to Flood Protection*. It includes many helpful ideas on what you can do to be ready for the next storm.
- ▶ Check out flood protection references in the Tinley Park Public Library.

## Keep Your Easement Open:

One of the biggest causes of flooding problems in Orland Hills has been obstructions built or placed in the drainage easements that were established along lot lines. These areas were set aside to carry water away from your house without flooding your neighbors. Keep them open.

## Get Insured:

Flood insurance is highly recommended. Remember, even if the last storm or flood missed you or you have done some floodproofing, the next flood could be worse. Most homeowner's insurance policies do not cover property for flood damage.

Orland Hills participates in the National Flood Insurance Program. Local insurance agents can sell a flood insurance policy under rules and rates set by the Federal government. Any agent can sell a policy and all agents must charge the same rates.

Any house can be covered by a flood insurance policy. It does not matter if they are in the mapped floodplain or out of it. Detached garages and accessory buildings are covered under the policy for the lot's main building. Separate coverage can be obtained for the building's structure and for its contents (except for money, valuable papers, and the like). The *structure* generally includes everything that stays with a house when it is sold, including the furnace, cabinets, built in appliances, and wall-to-wall carpeting.

There is no coverage for things outside the house, like the driveway and landscaping. Renters can buy contents coverage, even if the owner does not buy structural coverage on the building.

Some people have purchased flood insurance because it was required by the bank when they got a mortgage or home improvement loan. *If you have a policy, check it closely.* You may only have structural coverage (because that's all that banks require). During the kind of flooding that happens in Orland Hills, there is usually more damage to the furniture and contents than there is to the structure.

## Protect your property:

There are many ways to protect your home from a water problem. They include:

- ▶ Regrading your yard so water flows away from your house toward the drainage swale or street
- ▶ Elevating a building on a crawlspace so that flood waters do not enter or reach any damageable portions of it
- ▶ Constructing barriers out of fill or concrete between the building and flood waters
- ▶ "Floodproofing" so the building is not damaged when the water comes
- ▶ Preventing sewer backup with a standpipe, valve or overhead sewer
- ▶ Installing a backup power supply for your sump pump
- ▶ Removing valuable contents out of the basement when the flood comes

These are discussed in more detail in the Village's *Guide to Flood Protection* available free at the Village Hall, and in other references in the Library.

Several insurance companies have sump pump failure or sewer backup coverage that can be added to a homeowner's insurance policy. Each company has different amounts of coverage, exclusions, deductibles, and arrangements. Most are riders that cost extra. Most exclude damage from surface flooding that would be covered by a National Flood Insurance policy. The cost varies from nothing to up to about \$75 for a rider on your homeowner's insurance premium.

Don't wait for the next flood to buy insurance protection. There is a 30 day waiting period before National Flood Insurance coverage takes effect. Contact your insurance agent for more information on rates and coverage.

## Basements, split levels and bi-levels:

There is limited coverage for basements and the below grade floors of bi-levels and tri-levels. The National Flood Insurance Program defines "basement" as "Any area of the building, including any sunken room or sunken portion of a room, having its floor below ground level (sub-grade) on all sides." This includes split levels and bi-levels.

Coverage under building or structural coverage is limited to specific items needed for the operation of the building, such as a furnace, water heater, clothes washer, and dryer. There is very limited coverage for finishings, such as wallpaper and carpeting, and contents. Flood insurance only covers damage when there is a general condition of surface flooding in the area.

If you have any questions you can reach the Building Department @ 708-349-4887.

# PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

## 2024 IN REVIEW



As a new year begins, let's look back at the past year to see what the Public Works Department has been up to...

We started off 2024 with snowplowing. **SNOW PLOWING WILL ALWAYS BE THE #1 PRIORITY IN OUR VILLAGE.**

Our residents deserve the safest and cleanest streets! Not only did we snowplow, we also made sure that our Senior Citizens were able to safely walk out of their homes to their vehicle, mailbox, and the Dial-a-Ride bus service. We cleaned 160 senior citizens' driveways each time the snowfall was 2" or greater.

Spring and summer was a busy time repairing potholes, clearing storm sewers, and painting all fire hydrants for better visual identification by the Orland Fire Protection District. In addition, the Public Works Department maintains the detention areas in town to help the flow of stormwater to help prevent flooding in the Village.

Last year, the Village completed many street resurfacing projects. The areas completed were: 162nd St from Hawthorn to Quail Ct, 170th St from 88th Ave to 89th Ave, 88th Ct from 170th St to the south end of the Cul-de-Sac, 92nd Ave from 171st St to 170th Pl, 169th St from 89th Ave to 90th Ave, and 169th Pl from 89th Ave to 90th Ave.

In December, the Public Works Department had so much fun working with Santa and decorating our trucks for our Santa parade. What a great feeling we had seeing many of our residents, neighbors, and friends out with their children, waving and having a good time seeing Santa drive by.

Throughout the year, Public Works continually performed maintenance and repairs on all vehicles in order to provide our residents with the best services possible. In addition, the department is continually busy keeping a close eye on vacant homes while driving through the Village streets. When a home appears vacant or the yard seems unmanaged, we determine if the home is vacant and who owns it, then notify the owner to maintain the property. If the property is too unsightly, we cut the grass and pick up whatever garbage is there, leaving a better appearance of the property for surrounding neighbors.

As you can see, the Public Works Department has been busy. We enjoy making our Village a beautiful place for our residents to live.

**Have A Safe 2025!**

**From Your Public Works Department**

### FRIENDLY REMINDERS . . .

#### **NO PARKING BAN**

There is no parking on Village Streets when there is 1" of snow on the ground until all snow removal is completed!

#### **SNOW PLOW ROLL OFF**

During snow plowing there is ALWAYS snow roll off from plows onto the bottom of the driveways. Unfortunately, this cannot be avoided.

#### **DO NOT THROW SNOW ON PLOWED STREETS!**

Shovel snow to the sides of your driveways.

#### **PLOWING OF SENIOR DRIVEWAYS**

Senior Driveways will be done if there is 2" of snow on the ground.

Senior Driveways will be done after all snow removal on the streets have been completed.

Public Works will not plow driveways in the dark for the safety of your property and our drivers.

If there is a car in the driveway and the resident is not home to move the vehicle, the driveway will not be plowed.

#### **CALLING THE VILLAGE HALL DURING SNOW REMOVAL**

When calling the Village Hall, please be respectful to our staff.



**REMINDER:**  
**STREET SWEEPING WILL RESUME MARCH 4th**  
 and continue on the first Tuesday of every month thru the end of November.  
**MAKE SURE YOUR VEHICLES ARE OFF THE STREET ON THESE DAYS!**

**GARBAGE PICK-UP**

**GARBAGE COLLECTION IS EVERY THURSDAY**

Please remember to have your garbage at the curb before 7:00 am. For your convenience, garbage can be placed at curb after 6:00 pm on the day prior to collection.

**Please call Waste Management at 800-964-8988**

if you are disposing any large items, such as lumber, drywall, carpeting, furniture, etc. Waste Management will send a truck out to pick up these items.

**YARD WASTE**

**PICK UP WILL RESUME ON THURSDAY, APRIL 3rd**

**CLEAN-UP WEEK**

**APRIL 25th - MAY 4th**

Dumpsters will be at the recreation center parking lot and at the Hawthorne Avenue Tot Lot!

Dear Orland Hills Customer,

The Village of Orland Hills and **WASTE MANAGEMENT** remind you of the **“At Your Door Special Collection”** program. This pick up service allows residents to conveniently dispose of TV’s, computers, and other electronics, as well as most household hazardous waste.

To learn more about **“At Your Door”** and to schedule a collection, please visit **wmatyourdoor.com** or call **Waste Management** at **(800) 449-7587**.

Visit your community’s local site today at:  
**[home.wm.com/orland-hills](http://home.wm.com/orland-hills)**

Your community’s dedicated local site is the launching point for customers to do more with WM, anytime, anywhere.

Customers can access these simple, easy self-service options 24/7.

 <p><b>Service Schedule &amp; Missed Pickups</b> View pickup schedules and ETAs, upcoming holidays, and report a missed pickup.</p>	 <p><b>Billing</b> Access invoices, manage payment methods and billing settings, including AutoPay and Paperless Billing.</p>
 <p><b>Service Alerts</b> Manage service alert preference for potential holiday or inclement weather delays.</p>	 <p><b>Bulk</b> Schedule a bulk item pickup to properly dispose of oversized household items.</p>
 <p><b>Containers</b> Request a different-sized or additional container or report a broken or damaged container.</p>	 <p><b>Get in Touch with WM</b> Live chat with a WM representative or fill out a form to be contacted back for help with any program or service.</p>



# VILLAGE OF ORLAND HILLS

## 31st ANNUAL

### “DESIGN THE VILLAGE VEHICLE STICKER” CONTEST

The Village of Orland Hills is pleased to carry on the tradition to host the annual vehicle sticker art contest. The Village’s vehicle stickers are due for renewal July 15, 2025. Therefore, it is time to turn to the artistic talent of our young Village residents to get involved in their community and design a sticker that reflects *what they feel the Village represents*. The rules are as follows:

- 1) The design must be done on an official entry blank (attached). Entry blanks will also be available at the Village Hall and Recreation Center.
- 2) Each child turning in a drawing must be an Orland Hills resident under the age of 13, as of January 1, 2025.
- 3) Only one entry per child is allowed; multiple entries will disqualify you from the contest.
- 4) Up to 5 colors may be used, as well as a color background. Ink pens, crayons, or markers are acceptable. No glitter or attached decorations, please.
- 5) All entries must be received at the Village Hall no later than closing time (4:30 pm) on April 14, 2025. **There will be no exceptions!**

The entry form is created for easy mailing. Just fold in three with the drawing on the inside and staple or tape closed. Now all you need to do is add a stamp or hand deliver. There is a mailbox drop in front of both the Village Hall and Recreation Center. The name of the artist is located on the back of your entry so that the judges will not know who the artist is when looking at the entries.

The Top Five entrants will be recognized with their framed drawing and a picture with Mayor Kyle Hastings. That photograph will be in the Village Newsletter for the whole Village to see. The Top Five winners are entitled to purchase one of the first five vehicle stickers, in the order of their finishing. The entries will be judged based on neatness, creativity, and a positive portrayal of the Village.

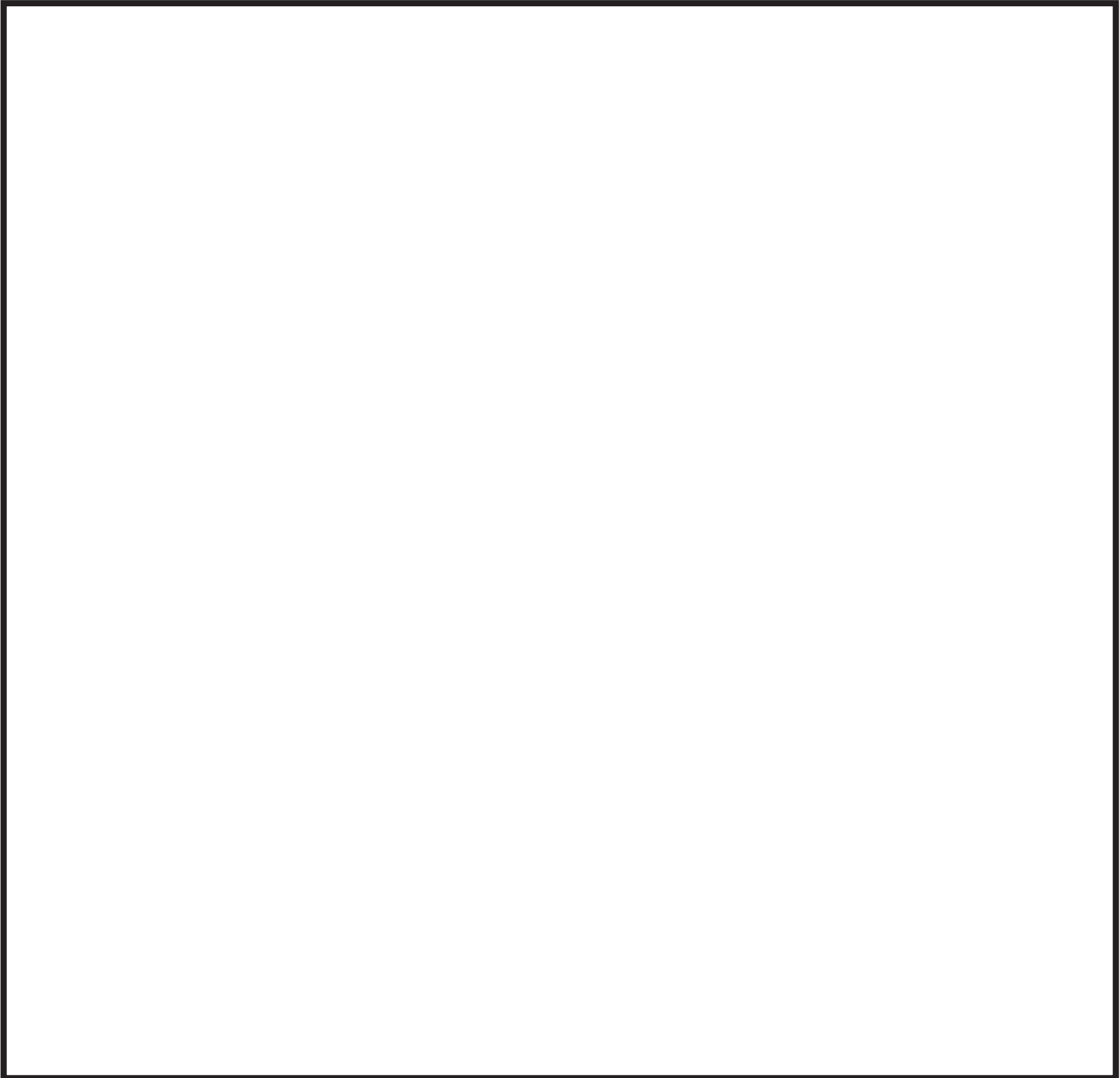
The First Place entry will then be taken to the printer to transfer a likeness of the drawing onto a 3” by 3” sticker. Small changes may be made, if needed, to accommodate the inclusion of necessary information. As is the custom, the Top Five winning entries will be displayed at the Village Hall.

For further information or questions, please feel free to call the Village Hall (708-349-6666) and ask for Karen.

**GOOD LUCK!**

**This activity is not sponsored by local School District 140, any of its schools,  
or groups officially associated with the District.**

**31st Annual**  
**“DESIGN THE VILLAGE VEHICLE STICKER”**  
**Contest**



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

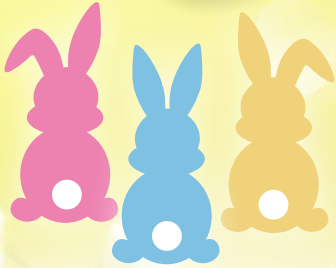
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VEHICLE STICKER CONTEST  
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ORLAND HILLS, IL 60487-4623**

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# Easter Events



## EASTER BUNNY COLORING CONTEST

Beginning March 31st, residents may pick up a picture entry at the Community Center. Age groups are 4-6 yrs., 7-9 yrs. and 10-12 yrs.

**Winners will be announced on April 14th.**

## EASTER BUNNY CANDY COUNT GUESS AND WIN!

All resident children are invited to the Community Center between March 31st and April 11th to count the candy in our jar. Guess the correct amount of candy without going over and win the jar! One guess per person, contest open to resident children. In case of a tie, a drawing will be held to decide the winner.

**Winner will be announced on April 14th.**

## EASTER BUNNY EGG HUNT

Come to the **31st Annual Easter Egg Hunt**, April 19th at 10am at the Community Center. Meet the Easter Bunny, hunt for eggs, candy and treats, have tons of springtime fun. Age groups of: 3 years and under; 4-5 years, 6-7 years, 10-12 years and 13-adult.

**Easter Parade will follow at noon.**

# SAVE THE DATE!

## 2025 Party in the Park CELEBRATION!!

**FRIDAY  
June 20th**

**SATURDAY  
June 21st**

**SUNDAY  
June 22nd**

**Mayor Kyle R. Hastings and the Board of Trustees welcome you to the Village of Orland Hills Party in the Park on Friday, June 20th through Sunday, June 22nd.**

**This year includes another spectacular line-up of live music, family activities, and fun for all ages!**

**From the best fireworks show in the southwest suburbs to great local live cover bands, to great food from local businesses, and excellent entertainment for families, the Party in the Park has something for everyone!**

**For more information, visit our website: [www.ohpartyinthepark.com](http://www.ohpartyinthepark.com)**

## BUILDING DEPARTMENT

The Village receives a significant amount of complaints regarding drainage issues. Often this occurs when a neighbor builds up their yard, plants a garden, or puts something in a drainage easement that should not be there. Residents do not always recognize how these actions can affect other yards. Please do not put anything in drainage easements.

In the Village of Orland Hills, it is prohibited to alter side and rear yard drainage easements and swales. The easements and swales are engineered to carry storm water to sewers and detention ponds. The elevations and grades are to be left as they were originally intended. Except for grass, no other landscaping, gardens, or buildings are allowed. Easements and swales that were altered should be returned to their original and intended condition.



All work over \$100 in value requires a permit. Examples of projects that require permits include fences, sheds, pools, decks, patios, walks, sprinkler systems, retaining walls, and driveways. Additions or alterations in electrical or plumbing work require a permit and must be installed to code.

*Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions, feel free to call the Building Department at 708-349-4887.*

### SAFETY TIPS

Loss of utilities can leave communities without such vital services as police, fire, and medical protection. JULIE's tips for outdoor digging projects include:

1. Call **JULIE (1-800-892-0123)** before you dig
2. Wait the required amount of time (two working days)
3. Respect the marks
4. Dig with care

Today, utility companies and municipalities that supply power, gas, water, and telecommunications often deliver these services underground. As a result, JULIE, Inc. and its members are promoting the importance of calling the Illinois One-Call System before you begin any digging projects. They also stress safe-digging practices to professional excavators and homeowners as part of a statewide "Dig Safely Illinois" education campaign.

*"According to state law, anyone planning an outdoor project that requires digging, regardless of the depth or the size of the outdoor project, should call JULIE at 1-800-892-0123,"* said Kevin Chmura, director of Public Relations at JULIE, Inc. *"The call to JULIE and service provided by members are free to the excavator. Call center operators are available to receive and process calls 24 hours a day, seven days a week."*

JULIE, Inc. is a not-for-profit corporation that provides excavators with a toll-free number (1-800-892-0123) for the free locating and marking of underground facilities. JULIE serves as a notification service for underground facility owners, taking information about planned excavations and distributing this information to its membership. It is then the responsibility of each facility owner to mark the location of their underground facilities at the excavation site. JULIE neither owns nor marks any underground facilities.

JULIE promotes an easier, safer digging environment and serves the entire state

of Illinois outside of the city of Chicago, which is covered by DIGGER. Illinois law requires anyone digging to call JULIE at least two working days prior to the start of excavation and to begin that project within 14 calendar days from the call. The 48-hour notice does not include Saturdays, Sundays or holidays.

Established in 1974, JULIE represents 1,750 members. JULIE has 100 employees during peak periods and is located in a state-of-the-art facility in Joliet, Illinois. For more information visit [www.illinois1call.com](http://www.illinois1call.com).

### TYPES OF OUTDOOR PROJECTS

Common examples of homeowner projects that require a call to JULIE before digging include putting up a fence, installing a swing set, a mailbox post or new water feature, building of a deck or room addition; preparing a new garden area or adding new trees, bushes or shrubs.



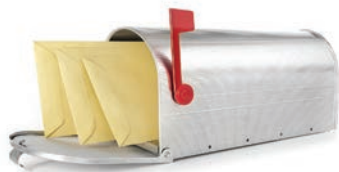
## COMMUNITY INFORMATION



### Please do not feed the wildlife

The Orland Hills Recreation Department respectfully requests that all residents do not feed the wildlife. This rule will be strictly enforced by the Orland Hills Police Department.

If you have any questions, please contact the Orland Hills Recreation Department at 708-349-7211.



### Common Courtesy

Please do not block your neighbor's mailbox. The post office will not deliver to a box that is blocked by your car.

The Village thanks you in advance for being courteous!!

## Dial-a-Ride Program

Make no fuss.... just call for the bus!!!



Need a ride? Dial-a-ride! Our bus driver will pick you up and take you where you need to go. Here are a few details about the program:

- You must request service **24 hours in advance**
- The Village **does not** accept appointment requests left on voicemail
- Each person is limited to 2 shopping bags
- Be on time for your appointment
- Appointments are accepted for one destination only
- When canceling a ride, make sure you give an ample amount of time
- Boundaries: 131st Street to the north, 191st Street to the south, Oak Park Avenue to the east, and Will-Cook Rd. to the west.
- Please keep in mind the appointment made may run late at times.

Call 708-349-0583 to schedule your pick-up. If you have any questions regarding this wonderful program, please call the Village for additional information and guidelines.



## Do you pick up the poop after your dog? Please clean up after your dog!

If you are walking your dog around the neighborhood or at one of our parks or trails, you should bring a scoop or a plastic bag and pick up the poop.

If you are walking your dog around the block and it poops on someone's lawn, pick up the poop. Please pick up the poop on the snow because when the snow melts, there are piles of poop all over the village.

In addition, it is unlawful for animals to roam or walk unleashed. Fines are listed on the signs in the parks. Keep in mind, the parks are for the recreational use of our residents, especially our children.

# RECREATION DEPARTMENT

## Facility Information

### Usage of Facilities in Parks & Retention Areas (Village Permits)

Facility usage permits are available for Kelly Park, Ridgeway Park, and the detention pond areas throughout the Village. Kelly Park provides an illuminated pony field diamond, two baseball/softball diamonds, one T-ball diamond, football field, barbecue grills, picnic pavilions, and playground equipment. Ashbourne Lake and Lake Lorin provide fishing, paved walking trails, and plenty of open space. Ridgeway Park provides two baseball/softball diamonds with a regulation size football field. Below are the rental fees.

#### Park Usage Fees Per Area

Resident.....\$30  
 Non-resident/All Others.....\$60

*Maintenance Deposit of \$50 for Residents and for Non-residents per area is charged.*

#### Baseball Field:

##### Diamond #1, 4, 6 & 7 Usage Fees

Resident.....\$25  
 Non-resident/All Others.....\$40

*Maintenance security deposit of \$50 for per area is charged. The deposit is refunded if area is clean of debris. Two hour usage minimum unless specified. Fees are per hour.*

##### Pony Field: Diamond #5 Usage Fees

Resident.....\$30  
 Non-resident/All Others.....\$50

*Pony Field maintenance security deposit of \$50 is charged. The deposit is refunded if area is clean of debris. Two hour usage minimum unless specified. Fees are per hour.*

#### Football Field: Usage Fees

Resident.....\$60  
 Non-resident/All Others.....\$120

*Maintenance security deposit of \$50 is charged, The deposit is refunded if area is clean of debris. Two hour usage minimum unless specified. Fees are per hour.*

#### Program Refund Administrative Fees

Resident.....\$5  
 Non-resident/All Others.....\$5

*Full refund will be given if program is cancelled or changed by the Recreation Department. Full refund is available for official medical exclusion. Refunds must be requested in person. Refunds will not be accepted after the second week of class.*

#### Baseball Field / Pony Field Lighting Fees

Resident.....\$31  
 Non-resident/All Others.....\$31

*Lighting fees per hour. Two hour minimum usage.*

#### Football Field Lighting Fees

Resident.....\$62  
 Non-resident/All Others.....\$62

*Lighting fees per hour. Two hour minimum usage.*

#### Fishing Permit Fees

*Permit will be valid for both Ashbourne Lake and Lake Lorin. Senior classification is 65 years of age. Yearly rates.*

**Senior** Resident.....\$1  
 (65 years+) Non-resident.....\$2

**Adult** Resident.....\$2  
 Non-resident.....\$10

**Children** Resident.....\$1  
 (3-15 years) Non-resident.....\$3

#### Guest of Resident

Daily Fee, Individual \$5  
 Daily Fee, Group ..\$30  
*Groups are not larger than 6 people*

*Disclaimer: The Village of Orland Hills has the right to reject all facility requests. Tables and chairs cannot be rented in the Gymnasium unless approved by the Village Board of Trustees. A mandatory site person will be assigned at a cost of \$20.00 per hour to the rental if the gym rental is for a sport activity exceeding 12 people.*

## Field Equipment

Per field cost. User must setup & return equipment to Recreation Center. Refundable deposit (less damage cost) \$250. Check is written to VOH and refunded after equipment is returned. Fee includes dragging one field before team play. Dragging and lining one field will be completed before team play. Football lining cost is per setup. Site Supervisor must be used during Community Center non-operational hours and for all field lighting. Resident Group Rate - Qualification for a "Resident Group Rate" requires that a majority of the participants be VOH residents.

### Baseball

Base Rental - Bases/Rubber . . .	\$20
Dragging Fee. . . . .	\$20
Setup (Drag/Line) . . . . .	\$35

### Football

Lining (perimeter and yard lines) . .	\$100
Site Supervisor - per hour. . . . .	\$20

## Facility/Park/Indoor Turf Rental Information Community Center

The Orland Hills Recreation Department offers facility rental at the Community Center. Facility rental will include the usage of the gymnasium and multipurpose rooms. For more information on rental fees, please contact the Recreation Department at 708-349-7211. Please note: Rental fees are subject to change without notice.

### Gymnasium

Please note all gymnasium and room rentals will require a security deposit. The security deposit will be determined by the number occupying the gymnasium or room. The security deposit is refundable if the facility is left in a clean and orderly condition. \$100 for 1 to 100 patrons, \$200 for more than 100 patrons.

#### 1/2 Gymnasium

1 hour Resident . . . . .	\$40
1 hour Non-resident. . . . .	\$95

#### Full Gymnasium

1 hour Resident . . . . .	\$80
1 hour Non-resident. . . . .	\$120

#### Multi-Purpose Room

Full Room Usage for 1 hour - Mon-Fri. 4pm Resident . . . . .	\$40
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Full Room Usage for 1 hour - Mon-Fri. 4pm Non-Resident. . . . .	\$80
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These prices are good for Mon-Thur. from 12pm-9pm and Friday from 12pm-4pm  
 Full Room Usage for 1 hour - Fri. 4pm-Sun. Resident . . . . . \$60

Full Room Usage for 1 hour - Fri. 4pm-Sun. Non-Resident. . . . .	\$100
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These prices are good for Friday from 4pm-Sun.

### Indoor Turf Fields

Security deposit. . . . .	\$250
1/4 Indoor Turf Facility for 1 hour . . .	\$75
1/2 Indoor Turf Facility for 1 hour . . .	\$125
Full Indoor Turf Facility for 1 hour . . .	\$225

**\*Pricing subject to change without notice\***  
**\*No-Shows are not credited back to reenter**

### Gym Setup / Scoreboard Setup

1/2 Gymnasium Resident . . . . .	\$35
1/2 Gymnasium Non-resident . . . . .	\$50
Full Gymnasium Resident . . . . .	\$70
Full Gymnasium Non-resident . . . . .	\$100
<b>MP Room Setup Resident</b> . . . . .	\$40
<b>MP Room Setup Non-resident</b> . . . . .	\$50

### Site Supervisor (12 or more people)

Gymnasium Resident . . . . .	\$20
Gymnasium Non-resident . . . . .	\$20

### Open Gym / Open Turf

Resident . . . . .	\$5
Non-resident . . . . .	\$10

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*Out of Village mailings - The Village of Orland Hills extends its sincere apology to any of its neighbors, for any inconvenience from the United States Postal Bulk Mailing Regulations, by which some individuals are delivered Village Newsletters and Park District brochures even though they reside outside the Village of Orland Hills boundaries. Such individuals nevertheless, shall be assessed Out-Of-District fees for Recreation Activities.*

**IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

Administration	349-6666	
Building Department	349-4887	
DIAL-A-RIDE	349-0583	
Emergency Services	349-2388	William Leddin
Fire District (non-emergency)	349-0074	
Police (non-emergency)	349-4434	Mike Blaha
Public Works Department	349-6792	Michael Hanley
Recreation Department	349-7211	
Village Hall	349-6666	
Orland Hills Library Dist Office	349-0319	
Tinley Park Library	532-0160	

President Kyle R. Hastings  
 Clerk Jen Iannantone

Trustee Kyle Hastings II	Trustee Tracy L. Roti
Trustee Candice Morrison	Trustee Marcia Kissane
Trustee Curt Petrey	Trustee Craig F. Schmidt

**EMERGENCY (FIRE OR POLICE) – 911**

WATER: <b>Illinois American</b>	800-422-2782
CABLE: <b>Comcast</b>	866-594-1234
ELECTRIC: <b>ComEd</b>	800-334-7661
AT&T U Verse	877-827-5288
GAS: (natural) <b>NICOR</b>	888-642-6748
PHONE: <b>AT&amp;T</b>	800-244-4444
GARBAGE: <b>Waste Management</b>	800-964-8988
United Way Crusade	312-382-4171
Together We Cope	708-633-5040
Aunt Martha's Youth Services	708-754-1044
Park Lawn (Developmental Disabilities)	708-425-3344
Animal Welfare	708-636-8586
Soc. Security Administration	800-772-1213
State Directory of Illinois	312-793-3500
Dept. of Children & Family Services	800-252-2873
Tinley Park Post Office	708-532-3131
Veterans Affairs	312-814-2460
Cook County	312-443-5500
Public Aid Office	708-371-5750
Orland Township	708-403-4222
Orland Township Youth Services	708-403-4001
Elementary Schools	
Dist. #135	708-364-3300
Dist. #140	708-532-6462
High School	
Dist. #230	708-745-5203
Moraine Valley Community	
College Dist. #524	708-974-4300
J.U.L.I.E.	800-892-0123
Dept. of Motor Vehicles	
Orland Township	
Secretary of State Facility	800-252-8920

***DATES TO REMEMBER***

Valentine's Day . . . . .	Friday, February 14
President's Day . . . . .	Monday, February 17
Daylight Savings Time . . .	Sunday, March 9
St. Patrick's Day . . . . .	Monday, March 17
Election Day . . . . .	Tuesday, April 1
Easter . . . . .	Sunday, April 20

***In observance of the following holiday  
 the Village Hall will be closed on  
 Monday, February 17th for President's Day.***

**VILLAGE HALL HOURS:**

**Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 8:00am until 4:30pm • Tuesday 8:00am until 7:00pm.**