



VILLAGE OF MAYWOOD

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Village of Maywood Public Plan Notice

Village officials limit Village Hall and other Village properties visits due to the COVID-19 pandemic

Maywood, IL –Village of Maywood officials are committed to the safety our residents, staff members, and visitors. Therefore, while Village operation hours will remain the same, the Village is taking the following actions to minimize the exposure and potential spread of [COVID-19](#) to the community by implementing the following protocols for access and use of village properties, immediately:

- Residents will be required to utilize online bill payment options (to be available after March 31, 2020) and Bill Box (bill collection box located outside of village hall, next to U.S. Mailbox) for paying bills.
- Contact with the public will be kept to a minimum.
- Conduct of business will be limited to phone, email or U.S. Mail.
- Necessary appointments will be pre-arranged by phone or email – walk-in's will not be available.
- Water Department assistance, requiring bill payment arrangements, will be suspended until April 30, 2020.
- Penalties will not be added to utility bills until after April 30, 2020.
- Residential water shut off's will be suspended until after April 30, 2020.
- The Community Development Department will conduct business as usual but with pre-arranged and limited appointments.
- The Police Department Detention will be limited to violent crimes and other misdemeanor violations that would otherwise result in an I-Bond release.
- Municipal Court will be suspended until April 30, 2020.

Use of *Village of Maywood* facilities and playgrounds will be limited as follows:

- All meetings and events scheduled to take place in the 200 Multi-Purpose building (**including weekly Senior Club meetings**) will be suspended until April 30, 2020.
- Senior Bus service will be suspended until April 30, 2020.
- The use of the gym, located in the 200 Multi-Purpose building, will be suspended until April 30, 2020.
- Rentals of the 200 Multi-Purpose building, for any and all activities, will be suspended until after April 30, 2020.
- Town Hall meetings, located at Village Council Chambers – Maywood Police Department, will be suspended until April 30, 2020.

- Maywood Village Pride, village wide clean up event, will be postponed until after April 30, 2020 (date to be determined).
- **Village of Maywood** Board of Trustees Board Meetings will be closed to the public until April 30, 2020. Meetings will be televised. Questions/public comments will be taken in advance (information to be posted on the website).
- Maywood Alternative Strategy Meetings (MAPS) will be suspended until April 30, 2020.
- Committee and Commission meetings will be limited to members only.

We all must do our part minimize the spread of the virus. Some safety precautions are listed below:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.
- Follow CDC's recommendations for using a facemask.
 - CDC does not recommend that people who are well wear a facemask to protect themselves from respiratory diseases, including COVID-19.
 - Facemasks should be used by people who show symptoms of COVID-19 to help prevent the spread of the disease to others. The use of facemasks is also crucial for [health workers](#) and [people who are taking care of someone in close settings](#) (at home or in a health care facility).
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.

Our priorities are in line with the recommendations of [the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) and [the Illinois Department of Public Health \(IDPH\)](#). Village officials are continuously monitoring the changes daily as we stay committed to the safety of all who work, live and visit the **Village of Maywood**.

We are hopeful that normal municipal operations will resume after April 30, 2020 and we will keep the public updated via our [Village of Maywood website](#), [social media accounts](#) and local media outlets.

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About the Village of Maywood: The Village of Maywood, Illinois, is in Proviso Township, Cook County, Illinois. It is located 10 miles west of the City of Chicago. The Village was founded on April 6, 1869 and organized on October 22, 1881.