



# THE ORLAND TOWNSHIP FOCUS



## MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERVISOR



Paul O'Grady  
Orland Township Supervisor

Dear Orland Township Resident,

At long last, it appears that COVID-19 is in retreat and that our collective efforts as a community, from wearing masks and social distancing each day to getting vaccinated and encouraging our family, friends and neighbors to do the same, have paid off.

If the current promising trends continue, there is good reason to believe that in the coming months we can return to the full range of our activities with minimal or no limitations. As we are now well into the summer season, this is indeed a reason for celebration.

Here at Orland Township, the health and safety of local residents, in particular older adults who require some additional assistance, are our top priorities. As we continue to follow Cook County and Illinois public health guidelines, we are pleased to be able to gradually reintroduce the classes, events and programs that have long been popular with local residents, most especially seniors.

In mid-June we restarted Senior Drop-In so that older residents can gather and play cards and bingo. Drop-In is held Thursdays and Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Orland Township Activity Center, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave. If you are a local senior seeking an opportunity to socialize and make new friends, please plan to join us.

**Return of Pet-Palooza:** In the fall, we will again host our Pet-Palooza festival for area families and their four-legged friends – a great event that, last year due to the pandemic, we regretted to cancel. The ninth Pet-Palooza will be from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25 on the Township grounds and will feature dozens of pet-friendly businesses, pet adoptions, tasty treats from local restaurants, games and prizes for kids, and so much more. Come out and see why Pet-Palooza is not to be missed!

**Township Leadership Refreshed:** As I begin a new term as Orland Township supervisor, I am excited for the new opportunities to be of service to Township residents. Together with our Board of Trustees, capable staff and devoted volunteers, I'm eager to build on the success of our Scholarship Foundation, Food Pantry, back-to-school health fair, senior dances and trips, and many other initiatives.

Please join me in congratulating Antonio Rubino, an Orland Township trustee since 2013, on becoming the new Township highway commissioner. He is now managing the Orland Township Highway Department, which maintains and services the roads, bridges, and road rights of way in unincorporated Orland Township, keeping them safe and accessible.

Trustees Patrick Feldner, Maria Sanfilippo and John Lynch are continuing their service. Michael Maratea, an Orland Park resident long involved with the local community, is the Township's new trustee. He was a teacher for more than 30 years and served with distinction on the Orland School District 135 Board of Education.

**Working for You:** Please take some time to peruse this edition of Focus for more information about our full collection of services. If you need help or have any questions, please call us at (708) 403-4222. Best wishes for your summer.

As always, we're *your* Township, and we're working for you.

Sincerely,  
Paul O'Grady



The Honorable Daniel Patrick Brennan (left) swearing in Paul O'Grady (right) for his 4th term as Orland Township Supervisor

## SUMMER NEWSLETTER

July - September

# 2021



## Elected Officials

**Paul O'Grady**  
-Supervisor-

**Cindy M. Murray**  
-Clerk-

**Patrick Feldner**  
**Maria Sanfilippo**  
**John Lynch**

**Michael Maratea**  
-Trustees-

**Rich E. Kelly**  
-Assessor-

**Antonio Rubino**  
-Highway Commissioner-

## Office Locations

**Main Office**  
14807 S. Ravinia Avenue  
Orland Park, IL 60462

Phone: (708) 403-4222  
Fax: (708) 403-4260

•Administrative Office•  
•Assessor's Office•  
(708) 403-4712  
•Youth & Family Counseling Services•

•Highway Department•  
16125 S. Wolf Road  
Orland Park, IL 60467

Phone: (708) 403-5148  
Fax: (708) 403-5165

[orlandtownship.org](http://orlandtownship.org)

**TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT  
WORKING FOR YOU**

## Board Meetings

Orland Township board meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the third Monday of the month in the Orland Township Boardroom, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave.

Board meetings are open to the public and meeting agendas and minutes may be found on the Orland Township website, [orlandtownship.org](http://orlandtownship.org)

Supervisor  
Paul O'Grady's  
6 Summer  
Safety Tips  
for Seniors

AVOID THE HEAT  
STAY HYDRATED  
DRESS APPROPRIATELY  
PROTECT YOUR EYES  
WEAR SUNSCREEN  
MAINTAIN COMMUNICATION



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U.S. Postage  
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Postal Customer

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Like our page and receive updates and the most recent Township news: [facebook.com/OrlandTownshipIL/](https://www.facebook.com/OrlandTownshipIL/)



Orland Township  
14807 S. Ravinia Avenue  
Orland Park, IL 60462

THE ORLAND TOWNSHIP

# FOCUS

# Orland Township Volunteers: You can't **MASK** **Awesome!**



## Orland Township Honors Volunteers

In honor of Volunteer Appreciation Week, Orland Township hosted a dinner to celebrate the contributions its many volunteers.

Supervisor O'Grady thanked the volunteers for their many contributions that contributed to the mission of Orland Township over the past year.

"Volunteers are the heart and soul of the Township," said Supervisor O'Grady. "Even in the middle of a pandemic, you still came out to help and support the community. If it wasn't for all of you, we would never be able to accomplish everything we do at the Township. On behalf of a grateful community, thank you."

Orland Township's Volunteer Appreciation Dinner was held Wednesday, April 21 at the Orland Chateau.



## Orland Township Scholarship Foundation Awards Local High School Seniors

Seventeen Orland Township students received funds for their first year in college, according to the office of Orland Township Supervisor and Scholarship Foundation President Paul O'Grady.

Nearly 100 students applied for the scholarship awards, and after a meticulous review process by the Orland Township Scholarship Foundation Board of Directors, 17 students were awarded scholarships in amounts ranging from \$500 to \$2,000. Students were chosen based on a combination of their leadership skills, dedication to community service, academic focus, participation in extracurricular activities, recommendations from school representatives, volunteer supervisors and/or employers, and their answers to the assigned essay question.

"The Orland Township Scholarship Foundation is proud to present these very deserving students with scholarship funds to start their college careers," said Supervisor O'Grady. "We are happy to invest in the long-term future of Orland Township's most valuable asset- our youth."



### Carl Sandburg High School

- Joseph Aguinaga
- Madeline Barone
- Kevin Hurley
- Pranav Ram Madan
- Kyla Cassandra Santos

### Victor J. Andrew High School

- Ashley Cozzolino
- Alyssa Cozzolino
- Hannah Davis
- Alexis Krueger
- James McSheffery
- Emmily Scumaci
- Adam Winistorfer
- George Winistorfer

### Providence Catholic High School

- Emma Kulpinski
- Brett Laird
- Colin Peck
- Nora Whitten

The scholarships were presented at an awards dinner held on Thursday, May 20, at Petey's II Restaurant in Orland Park.



Orland Township Supervisor Paul O'Grady & the Board of Trustees proudly present...

# Orland Township's **BACK TO SCHOOL**

## Health Fair

Saturday, August 14, 2021

9am- 1pm • 14807 S. Ravinia Ave, Orland Park

Health Fair is **FREE** Admission

Students enrolling in pre-school through high school (Ages 3-18 only)

- Immunizations  
Appointment required  
Immunization records required
- Sports & Health Physicals  
\$35 Township residents  
\$45 Non-residents
- Dental Screenings 
- Eye Exams
- Hair Cuts
- School Supplies
- Free Giveaways
- Games & Prizes
- Food & Beverages
- Police & Fire Safety
- Local Vendors ...and more!





NEWS FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK  
**CINDY M. MURRAY**

**Orland Township Leads Suburban Communities in Spring Election's Early Voting Turnout**

*If You're Not Registered to Vote, Please Register at Your Earliest Convenience*

Orland Township Clerk's Office  
Cindy M. Murray, Clerk

Orland Township during this spring election was again the busiest suburban Cook County destination for early voting. A total of 5,102 individuals cast their ballots at Orland Township in advance of the April 6 consolidated general election, according to the Cook County clerk's office, besting the next most frequented suburban early voting site by more than 1,500 voters.

Regardless of one's partisan preferences, nearly all of us can agree that exercising our right to vote is critical. We're glad to see local residents taking advantage of the opportunity to cast their votes early and at a time of their choosing.

With elections done for this year, now is the time to register to vote if you are not already registered. Registering to vote in Orland Township is easy and convenient. Please see below and do so at your earliest opportunity.

Call Orland Township at (708) 403-4222 or the Cook County clerk's office at (312) 603-0906 for more information.

Cindy M. Murray  
Orland Township Clerk

**REGISTER TO VOTE  
YOUR VOTE  
COUNTS!**



**How to Register to Vote**

You may register online, by mail, or in person. You must:

1. Be a U.S. citizen.
2. Be 17 years old on or before the date of the next primary election and turn 18 on or before the date of the general or consolidated election.
3. Live in your election precinct at least 30 days prior to Election Day.
4. Not be serving a sentence of confinement in any penal institution as a result of a conviction.
5. Not claim the right to vote anywhere else.

If you have an Illinois driver's license or state ID, online registration is available via the State Board of Elections website (ova.elections.il.gov).

To register by mail, you may download an application from the State Board of Elections website, complete it, and then return it.

You also may register in person at any of the Cook County clerk's locations, including those in Bridgeview, at 10220 S. 76th Ave., or in Markham, at 16501 S. Kedzie Ave. Or register with a deputy registrar or at a village, city or township clerk's office, an Illinois Secretary of State's driver's license facility, or certain other state government offices.

If registering to vote in person, you must display two pieces of identification. Neither needs to be a photo ID, but one must include your current address. Acceptable forms of ID include:

- Illinois driver's license
- Illinois state ID
- Employee or student ID
- Credit card
- Social Security card
- Birth certificate
- Utility bill
- Postmarked mail
- U.S. passport
- Lease or rental contract

**Automatic Voter Registration**

Eligible adults in Illinois also may have their voter registration information updated automatically when they interact with the Illinois Secretary of State. If visiting an office of the Secretary of State to obtain or update a driver's license or state ID, individuals are encouraged to inquire as to whether they may be eligible for automatic voter registration.

Sources: Cook County Clerk; State Board of Elections

**ORLAND TOWNSHIP & Tinley Park ILLINOIS COMMUNITY SHRED-A-THON**

**Saturday, July 31  
8 a.m. to Noon**

ProShred trucks will be onsite to provide fast and secure document destruction.

**80th Ave. Train Station  
North Parking Lot  
Tinley park, IL 60477**

This event is for Orland Township & Village of Tinley Park Residents ONLY  
Please bring ID



**Paper Shredding will be FREE!**

- Limited to 5 banker boxes per vehicle
- **NOT** intended for businesses
- Place shredding items in the trunk or cargo area of vehicle. Township & Village staff will unload your vehicle

SPONSORED BY ORLAND TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR PAUL O'GRADY & VILLAGE OF TINLEY PARK MAYOR MICHAEL GLOTZ

**Edwards Realty & Bratcher Midas Present the 11th Annual**

**Saturday, Sept. 18  
4 p.m. - 10 p.m.**

Rain Date: TBA

**Orland Crossing**  
Northeast corner of 143rd Street & LaGrange Road, Orland Park

*Enjoy*  
Food, beer & wine vendors, BYOL  
(bring your own lawn chair/blanket)

*Proceeds Benefit*  
Disabled Patriots Fund & Orland Township Food Pantry

**MOVIE VIEWING  
LIVE MUSIC  
BOX CAR CRAFT  
50/50 RAFFLE  
KID & FAMILY ACTIVITIES  
...AND MORE!**

Exhibitor, vendor & event information, please call Jen or Joe 708-349-1750, or visit Spirit of America Car Show & Drive In on Facebook

ShopOrlandParkCrossing.com  
/OrlandParkCrossing  
@OrlandParkXing  
@ShopOrlandParkCrossing

**shoporlandparkcrossing.com**

**Tuesday, July 6  
Tuesday, Aug. 3**  
Orland Crossing  
14225 S 95th Ave. Orland Park  
**6 p.m.-8 p.m.**  
Music Starts at 6 p.m.  
Games Start at 8:30 p.m.  
**\$10 per car**

**Enjoy an evening of music, games and PRIZES!**  
**Concession of drinks, snacks and treats available for purchase through Orland Township**  
*All proceeds of the concession benefit the Orland Township Food & Pet Pantry*  
You are welcome to bring folding chairs or picnic blankets to enjoy the summer weather

The mission of the Township Assessor is to provide information and services that are accessible, prompt and accurate. This is possible, in part, because township government is so close and responsive to the local property owner.

Assessor's Office Phone Number: (708) 403-4712



## NEWS FROM THE ASSESSOR **RICH E. KELLY**

The 2020 Second Installment Property Tax Bill is due Aug. 2, 2021, with application of late charges moved back to Oct. 1, 2021. This Second Installment bill reflects the assessed value, state equalization factor, exemption(s), local tax rate, and total payment due. This bill also shows a Taxing District Breakdown indicating the amount being paid to each taxing district within that particular suburban municipality.

Upon receipt of the Second Installment Tax Bill, all taxpayers in Orland Township should carefully review this property tax bill to make sure that it reflects the property tax exemption(s) to which one may be entitled. Depending upon each taxpayer's particular circumstances, these exemptions may include:

- Homeowner's Exemption
- Senior Citizen Exemption (born in 1955 or prior year)
- Senior Assessment Freeze Exemption (senior citizen residing in home as of Jan. 1, 2019 and Jan. 1, 2020, with a total gross household income including gross social security for income tax year 2019 of no more than \$65,000)
- Disabled Person's Exemption
- Disabled Veteran's Exemption
- Returning Veteran's Exemption



Our office will be happy to assist you with filing Certificate of Error Application(s) for missing exemptions for the current 2020 property tax year, as well as three prior years, if applicable, in order to receive refunds.

A total of **142** 2020 Board of Review Appeals were filed through our office during the Cook County Board of Review filing period of Nov. 16, 2020 to Dec. 15, 2020. Of these 142 Appeals, 99 or approximately 70% resulted in reductions. These assessed valuation reductions will be reflected on the 2020 Second Installment Property Tax Bills. Forty-three of the appeals, or approximately 30%, did not result in reductions. The following is a breakdown of the number of appeals which resulted in assessed valuation reductions in the various range categories:

43	Did not receive any assessed valuation reductions
6	Received reductions ranging from 1 – 999
34	Received reductions ranging from 1,000 – 1,999
29	Received reductions ranging from 2,000 – 2,999
19	Received reductions ranging from 3,000 – 3,999
8	Received reductions ranging from 4,000 – 4,999
1	Received a reduction ranging from 6,000 – 6,999
1	Received a reduction ranging from 9,000 – 9,999
1	Received a reduction ranging from 15,000 – 15,999

The **approximate** dollar amount of savings per every 1,000 reduction in assessed valuation would be \$292. This **approximate** figure was calculated by multiplying 1,000 times the 2019 State Multiplier of 2.9160 times a sample tax rate of 10% (2020 final State multiplier and 2020 actual tax rates not available as of the writing of this article). The total assessed valuation reductions of the 99 appeals in which our office assisted with the appeal process equaled 258,288. Based on the above formula:  $258,288 \times 2.9160 \times 10\% = \$75,317$ . This figure represents the **approximate** total savings to these 99 taxpayers.

The Cook County Assessor's Office will post in its office and will publish on its website the opening and closing dates for filing appeals on properties in each of the 38 townships in Cook County, as required by law. This information will be published on its website [www.cookcountyassessor.com](http://www.cookcountyassessor.com) as it becomes available. As of the writing of this *Focus* article, Orland Township is shown as TBD (to be determined) under 2021 Assessment Calendar and Deadlines.

Orland Township taxpayers will also be given a second opportunity to file 2021 appeals through the Cook County Board of Review. This **approximate** filing period **may** occur in November. Check the Board of Review's website later ([www.cookcountyboardofreview.com](http://www.cookcountyboardofreview.com)) or contact our office at (708) 403-4712 for exact details regarding this particular appeal filing period.

The Orland Township Assessor has a direct dial phone number: (708) 403-4712



### Assistance Programs Help Residents Experiencing Financial Hardship

Managed by Supervisor Paul O'Grady

Orland Township strives to support residents in as many ways as possible by providing valuable services and programs, ranging from our Food Pantry and Pet Pantry to health seminars and senior transportation. As part of our commitment to the local community, the Township

offers a year-round General Assistance program that helps residents meet basic needs until employment or another source of income, such as Social Security, disability or public aid, is obtained. The Township aims to help residents experiencing economic difficulty get back on their feet as quickly as possible so that a temporary setback does not become a more detrimental and permanent challenge.

"There are people in our community who are struggling financially," said Supervisor Paul O'Grady, who manages the program. "It's important they know we are here to help."

The Township also offers the Emergency Assistance program, which grants financial aid to qualified individuals and families on a short-term basis to alleviate life-threatening circumstances or to assist residents in returning to self-sufficiency. The Emergency Assistance program offers many relief options, including but not limited to rent/mortgage assistance and energy/utility bill assistance.

"When one of us falls behind, we all fall behind," O'Grady said. "Orland Township wants to help those in need get back on their feet so our community can remain strong."

In addition to ongoing assistance, the Township offers annual support options such as the Holiday Program intended to help families struggling financially during the holiday season. Through the Holiday Program, Orland Township each year helps hundreds of families put food on their tables and share gifts with their loved ones.

To apply for any of these programs, residents must complete an application and provide verification of household size and proof of residency and income. Applications may be obtained at the Orland Township office, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave.

For more information on Orland Township's services, please call (708) 403-4222 or visit us online at [orlandtownship.org](http://orlandtownship.org).

### ATTENTION ORLAND HILLS RESIDENTS:

#### Illinois American Water H2O Help Program

The Illinois American Water H2O Help program provides qualifying customers with financial assistance in paying their home water/waste water bills. Any Illinois American Water residential customer with a delinquent account and demonstrated financial need due to an emergency state (not chronic or intentional delinquency) may be eligible to apply.

The Illinois American Water H2O Help program is administered by The Salvation Army.

Eligible Illinois American customers may apply for assistance one time per calendar year and may receive up to \$200 per residential account. For more information, please contact Alexis at (708) 403-4222.



**SUPPORT**  
Orland Township  
Food & Pet Pantry

Please join Meijer and our community in the continued deep-rooted hunger relief efforts, with the **Fall Simply Give Campaign**  
Sunday, July 4

through  
Saturday, Oct. 2

For every \$10 Simply Give card purchased on these dates, Meijer will provide an additional contribution of \$20, bringing the total to \$30 for a single customer purchase!

Don't miss the  
**Double Match Days**  
Saturday, Aug. 14  
Saturday, Aug. 28

The Highway Department maintains the residential streets and public right of way in unincorporated Orland Township. This includes repair and construction of streets, storm sewers, sidewalks, curbs and street signs.



## REPORT FROM HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER **ANTONIO RUBINO**

### Greetings from the Commissioner Antonio Rubino

Dear Orland Township Residents,

I'd like to introduce myself – my name is Antonio Rubino, and I am your new Highway Commissioner. Although, I am new to the Highway Department, I am not new to the Township. I have served Orland Township residents as the Collector since 2011 and as a Township Trustee since 2013. I now look forward to serving as your Highway Commissioner.

The Orland Township Highway Department maintains and services the roads, bridges, and road right of ways in unincorporated Orland Township, keeping them safe and accessible. This includes repair and construction of streets, storm sewers, sidewalks, curbs and street signs. In addition, the Department is responsible for snow removal, street sweeping, street lighting, right-of-way mowing and culvert replacement.

Orland Township's unincorporated infrastructure is monitored, maintained, repaired, cleared and upgraded on a daily basis. The Highway Department will work with the community to be efficient and responsible.

Improving the safety and overall appearance of our community is a cooperative effort between the Highway Department and its residents.

Please help make Orland Township a community to be proud of by reporting illegal dumping, street light outages, potholes, or broken/missing street signs to the Highway Department Maintenance Facility.

In addition to continuing with these services, my goal is to improve communications with our residents, enhance services, and improve transparency with our projects each year.

I can be reached at:  
highway@orlandtownship.org or  
(708) 403-5148.

This is your Highway Department,  
and we are working for you!

See you around the community!

**Antonio Rubino**



### Permits

With nice weather settling in, plans for outdoor projects are taking shape. If you are planning to do any work within the parkway (the area between the sidewalk and curb) such as driveway repair/replacement or landscaping that requires digging, you will need to obtain a permit from the Highway Department. Call (708) 403-5148 for information.

### Street Maintenance

Maintenance, resurfacing and rehabilitation of Orland Township roads and related infrastructure require an ongoing management program to identify and prevent premature failure of the pavement base and surface. Last year's maintenance and repair activities included asphalt patching, pothole repair, sweeping and shoulder grading.

*It is unlawful to discharge any sump pumps onto Township sidewalks and roads. The standing water exacerbates pavement deterioration and creates an ice hazard in winter. Drain hoses should be directed to the natural ditch between homes so water will follow grade.*

### Potholes and Patching

Winter months and snow plowing can cause potholes within the roadways. If you see a pothole which we did not fill, or have any road-related concerns, please call the Highway Department at (708) 403-5148 and provide us with the location.



Planning to dig?  
Call J.U.L.I.E. first!  
811 or (800) 892-0123

Know what's **below**. Call before you dig.

### Easements

Orland Township Highway Department easements (the area between curb and sidewalk) are to be used only for the placement of utilities, fire hydrants, and U.S. Postal Service-approved mailboxes. Basketball hoops are not permitted in the right-of-way facing the street due to weekly garbage service and snow removal during the winter season.

### Rain Barrels

Orland Township residents in need of a rain barrel can obtain one by contacting the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District at (312) 751-6633 or by visiting [www.mwrd.org](http://www.mwrd.org).

### Cook County Sheriff's Non-Emergency Number

If you see something say something and call the Cook County Sheriff's non-emergency number at (847) 635-1188.

### Drive Carefully

As the temperature rises, so does the outside activity of children. Please observe all speed limit and caution signs. To report vehicles exceeding posted limits, call the Cook County Sheriff's Police at (708) 865-4700.

# RECYCLING SERVICES



### Shredding

The Highway Department now has locked shred bins provided by ProShred on site at 16125 S. Wolf Road. Residents can bring their items they would like to shred to the Highway Department for safe secure shredding Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**PROSHRED SECURITY**  
INFORMATION DESTRUCTION AT YOUR DOOR

CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENT SHREDDING AND RECYCLING

NO NEED TO REMOVE FASTENERS (staples, paperclips & binder clips)

ISO 9001 CERTIFIED

AA

RECYCLE

1-87-PROSHRED

**INSERT**  
all office paper, file folders, hanging files, notepads & envelopes

**DO NOT INSERT**  
food & wrappers, thick metal, corrugated cardboard, magazines, non-recyclable materials & pollutants

**CALL ABOUT**  
data tapes, hard drives, CDs/DVDs, microfilm & x-rays

### Aluminum Can Recycling

Drop off your aluminum cans to be recycled at the Highway Department, 16125 S. Wolf Road. Recycling hours are from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.



## ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

### Coupon Fee for All Televisions and Computer Monitors

Screen (measured diagonally) smaller than 21 inches: \$25

Screen (measured diagonally) 21 inches or larger: \$35

Payment can be made via CREDIT CARD ONLY online or at the site upon drop off.

Please visit Orland Township online at [orlandtownship.org](http://orlandtownship.org) for a list of accepted items. The list is located under "Services," together with a link to purchase the coupon online. Please bring a copy of the coupon with you when recycling items.

Orland Township frequently receives inquiries from residents concerning how and/or where they can dispose of items such as compact fluorescent light (CFL) bulbs, batteries, or oil-based paint. Our department always tries to help residents find a proper disposal site and we would like to share an online recycling directory we have found to be useful and easy to use: [earth911.com](http://earth911.com).

At that site, you will find a list of items commonly recycled. Simply click on an item and enter your zip code and the closest recycling location(s) will appear on the screen. If an item you would like to dispose of is not listed, you can enter the item in the designated box along with your zip code and the closest location(s) for recycling that item will appear.

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) also provides useful information as well as collection sites for household hazardous waste. Please visit [www.epa.illinois.gov](http://www.epa.illinois.gov), choose the "Citizens" dropdown menu, and then click "Citizen's Information."

**ORLAND TOWNSHIP HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**  
16125 Wolf Road, Orland Park, IL 60467  
Phone: (708) 403-5148

**MONDAY THRU FRIDAY • 7 AM – 3 PM**  
**CLOSED**  
Monday, Sept. 6 in observance of Labor Day  
Monday, Oct. 11 in observance of Columbus Day



### Paper Retriever

At the Highway Department you will find a **Paper Retriever** bin. This bin is yellow and green and is specifically for newspapers and inserts, magazines, catalogs, office/school papers and junk mail. Please only recycle mail you feel comfortable putting in the recycling bin.

### WeSort

In addition to the Paper Retriever, the Highway Department has a blue **WeSort** container which is specifically for items such as cardboard boxes (cereal, tissue, frozen food), cartons (milk, juice, broth, soup), aluminum, tin and other metal cans, and plastic bottles.

See list below.

### RECYCLE HERE

Newspapers  
Catalogs  
Office Paper  
Junk Mail  
Cardboard

Magazines  
Phone Books  
Envelopes  
Aluminum Cans  
Tin Cans

Plastic Containers  
Marked #1-#7 (excluding #6)  
Cartons  
(Aseptic Packaging)

### NOT ACCEPTED

**NO** Aerosol Cans  
**NO** Food  
**NO** Shredded Paper

**NO** Plastic Bags  
**NO** Glass (Bottles, Jars, Flat)  
**NO** Ink Cartridges

**NO** Styrofoam  
**NO** Hazardous Material  
**NO** Film Plastic (Tarps, Wrap, Sheets)

[www.wesortrecycling.com](http://www.wesortrecycling.com)



708-798-1004

More helpful recycling information can be found at:  
[earth911.com](http://earth911.com) or [epa.illinois.gov](http://epa.illinois.gov)

For more information on electronics recycling, visit [orlandtownship.org](http://orlandtownship.org), and see "Electronics Recycling" under the "Services" tab.

The Orland Township Health Services department provides quality health services that meet the needs of our residents, focusing on wellness, prevention, education and safety.



## ORLAND TOWNSHIP HEALTH SERVICES

For more information about all our services, please call (708) 403-4222.

Health Services Chair Patrick Feldner



### Immunization Clinics



Health Services administers vaccines provided through the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program to Orland Township residents, age 18 and under, who are uninsured, underinsured (vaccines not covered under current medical plan), insured by Medicaid Title XIX (19), or are Native American (American Indian/Alaskan Native).

Township children meeting the above requirements are charged a \$10 administration fee per shot. Children residing outside the Township, but who are otherwise eligible, are charged a \$20 administration fee, per shot, that is applied at the time of service. Cash or charge only are accepted.

**PLEASE NOTE: Orland Township's Health Services department can no longer accept Medicaid Title XXI (21).**

You can visit [cdc.gov](http://cdc.gov) for information about the VFC program and guidelines for eligibility.

#### Upcoming Clinic Dates

#### Times

Tuesday, July 6	5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 14 <i>Back to School Health Fair</i>	9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 7	5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 9	9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 9	5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Immunization clinics are held at the Orland Township office, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave., **Please note: clinics are by appointment only. Please call (708) 403-4222 to schedule an appointment.**

In accordance with CDC guidelines, anyone entering the Township building must wear a face mask. Additionally, we are asking that only the child receiving vaccines, along with one parent or legal guardian, enter the facility for the appointment.

Vaccinations will be administered **ONLY** to those children who bring an up-to-date U.S. immunization record and a Medicaid Title XIX (19) card (if applicable).

### Wellness Wednesdays



Orland Township's registered nurse is available the second and fourth Wednesday of each month from 8:30 to 11 a.m., by appointment, to provide the following services:

- Free blood pressure screenings
- Total lipid profile cholesterol test\* without glucose (\$40 for residents, \$50 for non-residents)
- Total lipid profile cholesterol test\* with glucose (\$50 for residents, \$60 for non-residents)
- Glucose screenings for diabetes prevention (\$5 for residents, \$10 for non-residents)
- Adult vaccinations

In coming months, the nurse will be available the following Wednesdays:

July 14 and 28  
Aug. 11 and 25  
Sept. 8 and 22  
Oct. 13 and 27

#### \*Note on Total Lipid Profile Testing

*This simple, 5-minute, finger stick test is a complete cholesterol analysis that measures total cholesterol, triglycerides, LDL (bad cholesterol) and HDL (good cholesterol) levels, and an overall ratio. A 9 to 12-hour fast is required and patients should drink water during their fasting period for optimum results.*



### Adult Immunizations

Vaccines and TB tests for adults are available at Orland Township, by appointment, on Wellness Wednesdays.

Please call the Township at (708) 403-4222 to schedule an appointment, or visit [orlandtownship.org](http://orlandtownship.org) for information on available adult vaccines and applicable fees.

### Hearing Screenings

Free hearing screenings (air and bone conduction testing) by South Suburban Hearing Health Center are available **at the Orland Township office** on the first Wednesday of every month from 1 to 3 p.m.

In the coming months, South Suburban Hearing will have appointments available on the following Wednesdays:

July 7  
Aug. 4  
Sept. 1  
Oct. 6

Separately, Orland Hearing Aid Center provides free screenings **at the Orland Township office** on the third Tuesday of every month from 9 to 11 a.m.

In the coming months, Orland Hearing Aid Center will have appointments available on the following Tuesdays:

July 20  
Aug. 17  
Sept. 21  
Oct. 19

To schedule an appointment, please call (708) 403-4222. Hearing screenings are open to non-residents for a \$10 fee.

### Nurses' Closet

Residents needing medical equipment such as wheelchairs, crutches, walkers, shower chairs, and canes can utilize the Nurses' Closet and borrow items at no cost for a 60-day period. The Nurses' Closet also provides disposable pads and adult incontinence products to residents in need.

To donate or borrow medical equipment or supplies, please call (708) 403-4222.



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## ORLAND TOWNSHIP HEALTH SERVICES

Orland Township's 2020 Flu Shot Clinics are all walk-in (no appointment necessary) and for anyone 3 years of age or older. Pneumonia vaccines (Pneumovax 23 and Prevnar 13) will also be available at the Orland Township Flu Shot Clinics to adults 19 years of ages or older.

Please consult with your physician as to which vaccine(s) you may need.



For more information, call  
(708) 403-4222

### ORLAND TOWNSHIP FLU SHOT CLINICS

14807 S. Ravinia Ave., Orland Park  
**Mondays & Wednesdays • 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.**  
September 1, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29  
October 4, 6, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27

**Sunday, September 19 • 8 a.m. to Noon**  
St. Francis of Assisi Church  
15050 Wolf Road, Orland Park



**Drive Thru  
Flu Shot Clinic**  
**Saturday, October 2**  
**9 a.m. to Noon**  
Orland Township  
14807 S. Ravinia Ave.  
Orland Park

**Sunday, October 10 • 8 a.m. to Noon**  
St. Elizabeth Seton Church  
9300 W. 167th St., Orland Hills

### Fluzone Quadrivalent\*

- 3 years of age and older: **\$40**
- Medicaid (Title 19) card holders can receive the flu vaccine **ONLY** at our monthly immunization clinic.  
\*Fluarix protects against four different flu viruses.  
\*Fluarix is preservative free.

### Flublok Quadrivalent\*

- 18 years of age and older: **\$40**  
\*Flublok is 100% egg-free.  
\*Flublok is highly purified and preservative free.  
\*Three times more antigens than traditional flu vaccine.

### Fluzone High-Dose\*

- Adults 65 and older: **\$55**  
Individuals with Traditional Medicare Part B: **Orland Township will bill Medicare for vaccine (s).**
- Those with a Medicare Advantage Plan or Retiree Plan (depending upon your insurance plan), may be able to submit vaccine receipt for reimbursement.  
\*Fluzone HD Vaccine is preservative free.

### Pneumonia Vaccine(s)\*

**Pneumovax 23- \$100**  
**Prevnar 13- \$195**

\*NO insurance accepted for Pneumonia vaccines



# ORLAND TOWNSHIP HEALTH SERVICES



## Sharps Containers



Five-quart sharps containers are available at Orland Township for \$15 each (the price includes disposal fee). In order to use Orland Township's sharps disposal service, you may purchase a container from the Township and return it when full for proper disposal. For a \$10 fee, the Township will dispose of a sharps container purchased elsewhere.

For more information on proper sharps disposal, please visit [orlandtownship.org](http://orlandtownship.org)

## Medication Drop Box Available at Orland Township



Do you have old, expired or unwanted medications in your home and do not know how to dispose of them? Bring them to Orland Township and place them in a secure drop box for proper disposal by the Cook County Sheriff's Office.

There is no fee to use the drop box but some restrictions do apply. Medications can be placed in the drop box, in or out of their original containers, but can only be in pill or dry form. Liquids and syringes will not be accepted. Please use Orland Township sharps containers to dispose of used syringes. Please visit the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's website, [fda.gov](http://fda.gov), for information on proper disposal of liquid medications.

Homebound residents can call the Cook County Sheriff's Office at 1-84-GOT USD RX (1-844-688-7379) to request a free, pre-paid, pre-labeled envelope to mail their unwanted pill and dry medications directly to the Sheriff's Office for disposal.

## Coast2Coast Rx Card

The Coast2Coast Rx Card is a free discount prescription card provided to residents of Orland Township. The program includes U.S. pharmacies and provides annual overall savings of up to 55%. Savings on a single prescription can range from 1% up to 95% off the retail price of the drug.

The card is FREE to use and can be used immediately by any family member. There is no age, income or other exclusion, and there are no forms to fill out. Cardholders save on both brand name and generic drugs – and may save as much as **60% on their dental needs, an average of 10% to 50% on their vision needs, and 35% on their hearing needs, diabetes supplies and lab and imaging tests.**

Simply take the card to one of the 59,000-plus participating pharmacies, including Walgreens, CVS, Costco, Sam's Club, and Target, and the savings start immediately.

Visit [coast2coastrx.com](http://coast2coastrx.com) to print your card.

## State of Illinois Temporary Disability Parking Placard

Temporary disability parking placards (valid for three months) may be obtained at the Orland Township office. You must bring in a copy of your completed **Persons with Disabilities Certification for Parking Placard/License Plates form** from the Illinois Secretary of State's office and proof of residency to receive a temporary parking placard while waiting for your permanent one to arrive from the state. Those needing a temporary parking placard (valid for up to six months) for a temporary disability **must** obtain those placards from the Secretary of State's office.

For more information on disability parking placards, visit [cyberdriveillinois.com](http://cyberdriveillinois.com).

## Wellness Program

Orland Township's Wellness Program continues to provide quality services to our residents at the lowest cost. Our medical services are discounted as much as, if not more than, 50% per medical service. Please visit the Orland Township office located at 14807 S. Ravinia Ave. to purchase a voucher for services. Proof of residency is required at the time of voucher purchase. Residents must schedule appointments with the healthcare provider directly.

### MEDICAL

Physical Exam - \$75

**Silver Cross Medical Group**  
Dr. Farooq Hussain  
Dr. Reshma Relwani

1890 Silver Cross Blvd.  
Pavilion A, Suite 265  
New Lenox, IL 60451  
(815) 727-4292

**Silver Cross Medical Group**  
Dr. Omar Akhtar  
Dr. Tiffany Groen

1890 Silver Cross Blvd.  
Pavilion D, Suite 120  
New Lenox, IL 60451  
(815) 462-3259

*Please note: physical examination vouchers may not be used in the case of illness.*

### DENTAL

Dental Screening, Cleaning and Full Set of X-Rays-\$100  
Routine Dental Exam & Cleaning - \$50  
Dental Screening Only - \$15 (does not include cleaning or x-rays)

**Dr. Stephen Heaney**  
64 Orland Square Dr.  
Orland Park, IL 60462  
(708) 403-3393  
(pediatric dentist)

**Dr. Dimitri Tsoukalas**  
14624 John Humphrey Dr.,  
Orland Park, IL 60462  
(708) 349-6606  
(no new patients)

**Ridge Dental, LTD**  
14540 John Humphrey Drive  
Orland Park, IL 60462  
(708) 349-5800  
(new patients must purchase x-rays)

**Dr. Richard Holba**  
15300 West Ave.  
Orland Park, IL 60462  
(708) 349-3637

**Dr. David Rocco**  
14265 S. Wolf Rd.  
Orland Park, IL 60462  
(708) 403-5055  
(no x-rays)

**Silver Lake Family Dental**  
Dr. John Canning  
Dr. Joseph Gradowski  
9611 W. 165<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 14  
Orland Park, IL 60467  
(708) 403-0071  
(new patients must purchase x-rays)

### VISION

Pediatric/Adult Ophthalmology Exam - \$45

**The Eye Specialists**  
Dr. Benjamin Ticho  
Dr. Birva Shah  
Dr. Cassie Koutnik  
Dr. Megan Allen  
Dr. Yi Pang, O.D.

18210 S. LaGrange Rd., Suite 210  
Tinley Park, IL 60487  
708-873-0088

**Insight Family Vision Care, Inc.**  
Dr. Mark A. Alles  
Dr. Margaret Cullen-Regan  
9501 W. 171<sup>st</sup> St., Suite C  
Tinley Park, IL 60487  
(708) 403-8300

**The Optique**  
Dr. James Sanderson  
600 Ravinia Place  
Orland Park, IL 60462  
(708) 349-7571

10436 Southwest Hwy.  
Chicago Ridge, IL 60415  
(708) 423-4070

**Kirschner Vision Group**  
Dr. Ken Kirschner  
Dr. Paul Kirschner  
Dr. Genine Graff  
Dr. Lisa Wilson  
7026 W. 159<sup>th</sup> St.  
Orland Park, IL 60462  
(708) 687-0600

**Eye Was Framed Eye Care**  
Dr. Dawn Tuminello  
11319 W. 143<sup>rd</sup> St.  
Orland Park, IL 60467  
(708) 460-2020

**Orland Eye**  
Dr. Gloria Docherty  
15410 S. Harlem Ave.  
Orland Park, IL 60462  
(708) 633-0011

### PODIATRY

Routine Podiatry Screening - \$30  
Senior Podiatry Screening - \$25

**Dr. Mark Gagnon**  
8600 W. 159<sup>th</sup> St. #5  
Orland Park, IL 60462  
(708) 403-7250

**Dr. Wayne Tillman**  
13011 S. 104<sup>th</sup> Ave., Ste.201  
Palos Park, IL 60464  
(708) 923-0400  
(makes house calls)

**Dr. Cynthia Sink**  
10760 West 143<sup>rd</sup> St.  
Orland Park, IL 60467  
(708) 301-5600

*(voucher not applicable)*

### HEARING

Audiological Evaluation - Free

**Orland Hearing Aid Center**  
Kristen Connors,

Licensed Audiologist  
12910 S. LaGrange Road  
Palos Park, IL 60464  
(708) 448-1234

### CHIROPRACTIC

Exam - \$45

**So. Suburban Chiropractic Center**  
Dr. Mark Grennell, D.C.  
14277 S. Wolf Road  
Orland Park, IL 60467  
(708) 403-3252  
(exam only)

## Access to Care

FILLING THE GAP FOR THE UNINSURED

Access to Care is a non-profit primary healthcare program for low-income, uninsured and underinsured individuals living in suburban Cook County and northwest Chicago (north of North Avenue and west of Pulaski Road). The Access to Care program is administered by the Suburban Primary Health Care Council.

Access to Care serves those individuals who are not eligible for public health programs (i.e., CountyCare, All Kids, FamilyCare, Medicaid and Medicare). This includes individuals who do not meet the immigration status requirement of being a legal resident for five years or more. It serves individuals with family incomes under 300% of the federal poverty guidelines. It may be used as a supplement to high-deductible insurance plans.

The program is a unique public/private partnership making primary healthcare and the ancillary pharmacy, laboratory and radiology services available to low-income individuals. Access to Care provides affordable diagnosis and treatment for illness to individuals and families for a small co-payment per doctor visit, procedure or prescription medication. Public funding and private providers form the public/private partnership.

Access to Care contracts with local providers throughout Cook County and pays them a discounted rate to provide services. Participating physicians choose the number of patients they will add to their practice. They are nominally compensated.

For more information on Access to Care visit [accesstocare.org](http://accesstocare.org) or call (708) 531-0680.

**To be eligible for Access to Care, you must:**

- Live in suburban Cook County or northwest Chicago (north of North Ave. and west of Pulaski Rd.).
- Have family income of less than 300% of the federal poverty guidelines (\$78,600 for a family of four).
- Have no health insurance (or a deductible of \$500 or more per person) and be ineligible for Medicare, Medicaid, All Kids or FamilyCare.
- Not be enrolled in CountyCare.

**Access to Care provides enrollees with:**

- Visits to your assigned Access to Care doctor for \$5.
- Basic lab and X-ray services for \$5 per draw or procedure.
- Prescription medication for \$15 (generic), \$30 (preferred brand) and \$40 (non-preferred brand). Brand name medications are available only at Walgreens.

Those who meet the eligibility requirements and wish to enroll should call the Orland Township office at (708) 403-4222 to schedule an appointment with the Health Services Coordinator.

# ORLAND TOWNSHIP CLASS SCHEDULE



Orland Township offers a variety of classes to improve and maintain residents' overall health and fitness while appealing to a wide range of interests.

Classes are held in a safe environment with certified instructors trained to recognize the needs of each individual. These instructors are available, through the Township office, to answer any questions or concerns.

Trustee John Lynch

## FITNESS CLASSES

**Both registration and exercise classes are held at the Orland Township Activity Center, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave.**

**Exercise Refund Policy:** Refunds will be provided only with presentation of a doctor's note, which must be received before the session ends.

### Joints in Motion

The Arthritis Foundation exercise program, Joints in Motion, is an exercise program designed to help individuals living with arthritis enjoy a more active lifestyle while improving their health. Joints in Motion is intended to assist individuals who have joint and/or muscle problems achieve improved joint mobility, muscle strength and endurance.

Exercises are done while sitting in a chair or standing and classes are led by an instructor certified by the Arthritis Foundation.

#### Joints in Motion Session Fee

8 weeks – \$14 residents (\$18 non-residents)

#### Joints in Motion Classes

Tuesdays, July 6 to Sept. 7 from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

**Registration Available Now**

### Tai Chi

Tai Chi is a great form of exercise that reduces stress while strengthening your muscles. The graceful, slow speed of the class, coupled with an emphasis on deep breathing and mental focus, creates balance, flexibility and calmness. This "meditation in motion" relieves stress and allows for the integration of mind and body. Tai Chi also is known to strengthen the immune system and help with arthritis, high blood pressure and osteoporosis. This class has many mental and physical health benefits. Classes are led by certified instructor and Tai Chi master, Sam Johnson.

#### Tai Chi Session Fee

8 weeks - \$30 (\$40 non-residents)

#### Tai Chi Classes

Mondays, July 12 to Aug. 30 from 3 to 4 p.m.

**Registration Available Now**

### Yoga / Chair Yoga

A number of studies show that yoga may help reduce stress and anxiety, but more importantly reduce the risk of chronic conditions such as heart disease and high blood pressure. This class will include plenty of modifications to accommodate all levels of experience and practicing from a mat or a chair. The class will focus on movements to bring the body through all ranges of motion to help improve mobility and strength. It also will focus on breathing and meditation to alleviate tension and stress. Classes will be led by certified yoga instructor Melissa Gall, who holds many specialty yoga certificates including senior yoga, restorative yoga and meditation.

#### Yoga Session Fee

8 weeks – \$48 (\$53 non-residents)

#### Yoga Classes

Tuesdays, July 6 to Aug. 24 from 3 to 4 p.m.

**Registration Available Now**

### Strong & Fit

This class of simple movements and light weight lifting will increase your strength, improve bone density, and enhance your mood – the three components to slowing down the aging process and living a healthier life. Participants should bring a mat and a set of weights between 11lb and 5 lbs. Class will be led by certified instructor Barbara Cachey.

#### Strong & Fit Session Fee

4 weeks – \$20 (\$25 non-residents)

#### Strong & Fit Classes

Wednesdays, July 7 to July 28 from 3 to 3:45 p.m.

**Registration Available Now**



The Orland Township Senior Services department produces supportive services and programs to help the seniors of our community remain active and healthy, improve their overall health and well-being and stay independent.



Senior Services Chair Maria Sanfilippo

## ORLAND TOWNSHIP SENIOR SERVICES

### SENIOR PROGRAMS

#### Senior Program Registration Information

Senior residents are encouraged to register with Orland Township to receive a permanent identification number. Identification numbers are used to purchase event tickets, utilize senior transportation services and keep updated emergency contact information on file with the Township. There is no cost to register. Proof of residency is required.

#### Senior Health Insurance Program

Orland Township offers a **FREE** Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP) to assist seniors in understanding their Medicare and Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Coverage.

Township counselors are trained and certified by the Illinois Department of Insurance and will provide accurate and objective one-on-one counseling sessions. They are not affiliated with any insurance company and will not try to sell or solicit any type of insurance. They will answer questions about Medicare and Medicare Supplemental Insurance and help individuals understand their claims and statements.

Call (708) 403-4222 to schedule an appointment with a SHIP counselor.

#### Home Repair Program

Are you unsure of how to find someone to hire to handle your minor home improvement project or repair? Orland Township has compiled a list of local, professional handymen and their specialties to aid in your search. The individuals and companies on the Home Repair program are not affiliated with or endorsed by Orland Township, but they are all licensed, bonded and insured. To view the list, go to the Township's website, [orlandtownship.org](http://orlandtownship.org).



#### Orland Township Gift Certificates

Need a gift for someone special? Orland Township sells gift certificates that can be used toward the purchase of trips, dinner dance and luncheon tickets, or any other event or class sponsored by the Township. For more information, contact Senior Services Coordinator Marie Ryan at (708) 403-4222.



### SENIOR PHONE PROGRAMS

#### Free Amplified Phone Program

The Illinois Telecommunications Access Corporation (ITAC), as part of a mandated program, provides free amplified telephones to those who qualify. To be eligible, you must be a resident of Illinois, have active phone service (home, cellular, pre-paid) and have a physician certification stating you are unable to use standard phone services. There are no age or income requirements.

#### Cell Phones for Seniors Program

Orland Township, in partnership with Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart's office, sponsors the Cell Phones for Seniors program. This program provides seniors with free cell phones that are programmed for emergency use only. There is no service plan with the phones; they can only be used to dial 911.

Applications for both phone programs are available at the Township office.



### Curb-to-Curb Senior Transportation

Orland Township provides curb-to-curb transportation service for Township seniors, 55 and older. Rides to shopping areas, senior centers, restaurants, nursing homes, libraries and service providers, or for home-to-home visits, are available within Orland Township boundaries. Transportation to doctor appointments may extend beyond Township boundaries.

Rides are available from 8:15 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. A one-way ride within the Township is \$3 and a one-way ride outside of the Township is \$5. Due to current economic conditions, Orland Township is able to make special financial accommodations for seniors in need.

To schedule a ride, please call (708) 403-4222 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.



## SENIOR ACTIVITIES

**Please note: Orland Township services will continue to follow the State of Illinois & Cook County Covid-19 guidelines for all public events and trips. Face masks and social distancing are still strongly encouraged.**

### Senior Drop-In Center

Orland Township opens its Activity Center twice a week for seniors to 'drop-in' and make new friends, socialize, and play cards and bingo. During Drop-In, seniors are treated to refreshments (and the occasional light lunch) courtesy of the Township.

Senior Drop-In is on Thursdays and Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Orland Township Activity Center, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave. Seniors **MUST** pre-register before attending Drop-In by calling (708) 403-4222.



## SENIOR LUNCHEONS & DINNER DANCES

Throughout the year, Orland Township hosts luncheons and dinner dances for seniors. Luncheons consist of a hot catered meal from a local restaurant while dinners are served family-style. Both feature fantastic live performances with the opportunity to meet and socialize with new and old friends.

Tickets for events go on sale at 8 a.m. on the date specified and are sold on a first come, first served basis. Luncheon tickets are limited to two per person; dinner dance tickets are limited to 10 per person. All tickets are non-transferable.

In the event of a cancellation, a full refund will be given prior to the refund deadline on the ticket. After the deadline, refunds will be given only if the ticket can be resold to an individual on the waiting list.

Orland Township encourages seniors to participate in these cost-effective and enjoyable events!

## SENIOR LUNCHEONS

### End of the Summer Picnic

Join Orland Township for an end-of-summer outdoor BBQ at Jaycee Grove in Tinley Park. After enjoying a grilled brat, hamburger, hotdog and other goodies, there will be miniature golf, bocce ball, bean bag games, and horseshoes for everyone to play. Prizes will be awarded for winners in each category.

**Place:** Jaycee Grove, 16801 S. 80th Ave., Tinley Park  
**Date:** Thursday, Aug. 26  
**Time:** 11a.m. to 3 p.m.  
**Fee:** \$10 / Residents (On Sale July 15)  
 \$12 / Non-Residents (On Sale July 15)



### Breakfast with the King

Join Orland Township for breakfast! This delicious Winston's catered meal includes scrambled eggs, French toast, bacon, sausage, diced breakfast potatoes, and homemade Irish soda bread. After breakfast, Erik Donner "Elvis" will bring you back in time and have you "All Shook Up" singing and dancing in your seats!

**Place:** Orland Township, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave.  
**Date:** Thursday, Sept. 9  
**Time:** 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
**Fee:** \$12 / Residents Only (On Sale July 29)

### Halloween Luncheon

Celebrate Halloween at Orland Township! In keeping with the spooky spirit, magician Jamie Aponte will astound you with his mystical magical powers. Enjoy a delicious meal from Frankie's that will make your mouth water. The meal will include Frankie's lasagna, sausage and peppers, Frankie's salad, and Italian bread. Costumes are optional but prizes will be awarded for creativity.

**Place:** Orland Township, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave.  
**Date:** Thursday, Oct. 28  
**Time:** 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Doors Open at 10 a.m.)  
**Fee:** \$12 / Residents Only (On Sale Sept. 16)

## SENIOR DINNER DANCES

### Motown Dinner Dance

Orland Township is proud to present the music of Motown by the Michael Walters Band! Fresh from their triumphant performances, the Michael Walters Band's "Motown Show" will be a night to remember! After enjoying a delicious meal from the Orland Chateau, get your groove on, dancing to all your Motown favorites, including hits by James Brown, Al Green, Smoky Robinson, Aretha Franklin, Diana Ross and others.

**Place:** Orland Chateau, 14500 S. LaGrange Road, Orland Park  
**Date:** Thursday, July 29  
**Time:** 5 to 10 p.m.  
**Fee:** \$24 / Residents (On Sale Now)  
 \$29 / Non-Residents (On Sale Now)



### Grandparent and Grandchild Dinner Dance

Get gussied up and bring your little angels out for a night of dancing and fun! The DJ will play music that all generations can enjoy, including the Hokey Pokey and the Chicken Dance, with some friendly competition on the dance floor and with prizes awarded. A photographer will be on hand to capture these unforgettable moments. The menu, catered by Salina's, includes fried chicken, macaroni and cheese, chicken nuggets, baked mostaccioli, and tossed salad with dressing.

**Place:** Orland Township, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave.  
**Date:** Friday, Oct. 1  
**Time:** 6 to 9 p.m.  
**Fee:** \$12 / Residents (On Sale Aug. 20)  
 \$17 / Non-Residents (On Sale Aug. 27)



## SENIOR TRIPS

Orland Township offers a variety of day and overnight trips, which are cost effective and enjoyable and appeal to diverse interests and expectations.

Trip escorts are provided by Orland Township. All escorts should be made aware of any medical conditions that participants may have. In the event of an emergency, trip escorts will arrange for transportation to the local health facility but must remain with the group unless a participant is traveling alone.

All participants are required to provide an alternative emergency contact name and phone number upon ticket purchase. Orland Township requests that all travelers keep important medication and health information with them at all times.

Trip tickets go on sale at 8 a.m. on the date specified and are sold on a first come, first served basis. All tickets purchased include Deluxe Motor Coach reserved seating, are limited to two per person, and are non-transferable. Refunds will not be given but trip insurance is available.

Buses leave from the north side of 151<sup>st</sup> Street directly between Bank Financial and Robert Morris College.

### The Luck of the Irish- Milwaukee

Enjoy three days and two nights in Milwaukee highlighting the Irish culture of the city. We'll attend Irish Fest at the Henry Maier Festival Park on the lakefront. Irish Fest began in 1981 and has become known as the world's largest celebration of Irish and Celtic Music and Culture with non-stop entertainment featuring bands, Irish dancers, sports and cultural exhibits plus food and drink.

Overnight accommodations will be provided at the luxurious Potawatomi Hotel & Casino. The hotel is new with great views of downtown Milwaukee and offers a variety of entertainment from full casino gaming to bingo to live musical and comedy acts. There are several bars and restaurants in the hotel and casino as well. Test your luck of the Irish in the casino and maybe you'll win a pot of gold!

Our tour also will focus on the Irish heritage in Milwaukee with Kay Collins as the resident expert tour guide of the city. We'll learn about the Irish and Scottish immigrants who settled in the area and the big influence they had on the making of Milwaukee. Of course, there could be several pub stops!

Price per person includes two nights of accommodations, Irish Fest admission, two breakfasts, three lunches and one dinner, step-on tour guide and tour amenities.

**Place:** Milwaukee  
**Date:** Friday, Aug. 20 to Sunday, Aug. 22  
**Time:** Departure 8 a.m. / Return TBA  
**Fee:** On Sale Now  
 \$544 Per Person Single  
 \$419 Per Person Double Occupancy  
 \$369 Per Person Triple Occupancy



### Lake Geneva Lunch Cruise

For the true Lake Geneva experience, a visitor needs to be on the water. Step aboard the Grand Belle of Geneva for a unique Fall Foliage Cruise dining experience. The menu for the day will include fresh fruit plate, rolls and butter, turkey with all the trimmings, mashed potatoes, gravy, stuffing, vegetables, apple pie for dessert and a beverage. Relax while taking in the sites of the Lake Geneva narrated scenic tour. After departing the boat, participants will have time to browse the quaint shops located nearby. Ticket price includes transportation on a deluxe motor coach, lunch and games for the road.

**Place:** Lake Geneva, Wis.  
**Date:** Tuesday, Aug. 31  
**Time:** 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Approximate Return Time)  
**Fee:** \$110 / Residents (On Sale Now)  
 \$115 / Non-Residents (On Sale Now)

Orland Township Youth & Family Counseling Services provides programs and services to support the social-emotional health of residents.



## ORLAND TOWNSHIP YOUTH & FAMILY COUNSELING SERVICES

Youth & Family Counseling Services Chair Michael Maratae

Orland Township Youth & Family Counseling Services strives to empower local youth and families to communicate more effectively, make good decisions and choose positive behavior by offering educational programs and services, guidance, and support. Our programs help teach and build social and problem-solving skills, lend assistance during difficult times, and provide information on additional resources available in the community.

All clinical services are supported by Orland Township tax dollars. Services included are listed below.

### COUNSELING SERVICES

Counseling services are by appointment only and are offered with sliding scale fees. Sessions are tailored for individuals (adult and youth), couples, families or groups. Please call (708) 403-4222 for more information or to schedule an appointment.



### ANGER MANAGEMENT WORKSHOPS

Anger is a normal and unavoidable feeling that can adversely affect many different aspects of life, including friendships, family, school and employment. Orland Township Youth & Family Counseling Services offers anger management workshops to help navigate this

powerful emotion. These workshops, available for adults and teens, are tailored for individual or group meetings.

### CHARACTER BUILDING / LIFE SKILLS WORKSHOPS

Workshops are available to help individuals become better community and family members. Whether looking to communicate more constructively with peers, or develop more effective parenting skills, workshops produced by Orland Township Youth & Family Counseling Services are designed to help individuals develop the foundation and skill set to manage personal relationships.

### PREVENTION / AWARENESS WORKSHOPS

Orland Township Youth & Family Counseling Services offers workshops for teens to discuss the consequences of potentially harmful behaviors. Workshop topics include drug/substance use and abuse, responsible risk taking and conscientious social media use.



### COPING SKILLS / SUPPORT GROUPS

Major life changes such as the death of a loved one, divorce or moving can create feelings of grief, fear and anger that may influence behavior. Orland Township Youth & Family Counseling Services offers programs to help residents navigate such challenging circumstances. Sessions are tailored to meet the specific needs of the group or individual and meet as needed.

**For more information on any of the listed programs, including applicable fees, please call Orland Township Youth & Family Counseling Services at (708) 403-4222.**



### Registration!

Orland School District 135 is preparing for the 2021-2022 school year! All families within the OSD135 boundaries are able to register their child for the upcoming school year by visiting [orland135.org](http://orland135.org). Both returning families and families new to the District are required to register and verify residency for Early Childhood through 8th Grade.

### Community Members: Subscribe!

Community Members who do not have a child attending the District can still receive District 135 news and updates! Create an account on [orland135.org](http://orland135.org) and subscribe to pages you are interested in learning more about. Any questions can be directed to Allison Kaleta, at [akaleta@orland135.org](mailto:akaleta@orland135.org).



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**Pathlights, formerly known as PLOWS Council on Aging, helps navigate and celebrate aging in the Southwest Suburbs of Cook County.**

For more than 45 years, we have guided individuals, caregivers, families, and friends along the best path to aging – providing resources, advocacy, programs, and services needed to live with independence and dignity in the community.

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[www.pathlights.org](http://www.pathlights.org)



### Senior Citizens and Persons with Disabilities

**Receive Reduced Fee License Plate Stickers & Other Benefits with the Illinois Department on Aging's Benefit Access Program**

The state Department on Aging's Benefit Access Program, formerly known as Circuit Breaker, allows the Illinois Secretary of State's office to provide reduced-fee license plate stickers for senior citizens and persons with disabilities who meet specific qualifications. Other benefits include the Seniors Free Transit Ride or the Persons with Disabilities Free Transit Ride.

An application must be submitted online (please visit [www.Illinois.gov/aging](http://www.Illinois.gov/aging)). Paper applications are not available. Proof of income must be provided at the time of submission.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR ASSISTANCE IN COMPLETING AN APPLICATION, CALL ORLAND TOWNSHIP (708) 403-4222.**

To qualify for the Benefit Access Program, the following requirements must be met:

#### Age

Must be 65 years of age or older by Dec. 31 of the current year;

**or**

Must be 16 years of age or older and totally disabled before Jan. 1 of this year.

#### Income Limits

- \$33,562 if filing an application for yourself only;
- \$44,533 if filing an application for yourself and your spouse;
- \$55,500 if filing an application for yourself, your spouse and at least one Qualified Additional Resident.

#### Residency

You must live in Illinois at the time an application is filed.

#### Expiration

Benefits are good for two years. The two-year period starts at the time you are approved for benefits

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Support the Orland Township Scholarship Foundation while shopping on Amazon. We have joined the Amazon Smile program to make it easy for individuals to support the Scholarship Foundation, at no extra cost, while purchasing goods through Amazon.

Simply go to [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and sign in using your Amazon account login information. Select **Orland Township Food Pantry Fndn** as your charity and start shopping. Amazon will donate 0.5% of every purchase made through Amazon Smile on behalf of the Scholarship Foundation back to us.

Thank you for helping the Orland Township Scholarship Foundation assist local high school graduates as they start the next chapter of their academic careers.

The Orland Township Food Pantry, located at 14807 S. Ravinia Ave., provides emergency food supplies to residents in need of immediate assistance. After completing a brief application, recipients leave with bags of non-perishable items, frozen and refrigerated food, and bakery goods.



# ORLAND TOWNSHIP FOOD PANTRY

Hours of Operation: Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.



## Support the Orland Township Pet Pantry

Please help keep the Pet Pantry shelves filled!

The Orland Township Pet Pantry provides food and supplies for pets whose families are in financial crisis and it relies on the generosity of the community. The Pet Pantry, in conjunction with the Orland Township Food Pantry, is available Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Your contribution will help ensure that a family pet does not go hungry. For more information, please call Orland Township at (708) 403-4222.



## 2022 Golden Opportunities Coupon Book, Pre-Order beginning Aug. 1

Available for \$25, receive 2021 book FREE!

Pre-order the new 2022 Golden Opportunities coupon book for \$25 and receive a 2021 book for free, while supplies last. This book offers thousands of dollars in two-for-one specials and up to 50% off at local and chain restaurants, hotels and resorts, entertainment venues and much more. Enjoy savings from Sept. 1 2021 through Oct. 30, 2020.

Books must be purchased Orland Township, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave. Proceeds from the book sales support the Food Pantry.

## CAT'S PRIDE LITTER FOR GOOD

Join the Cat's Pride Club to nominate Orland Township's Pet Pantry. Every nomination will help Orland Township's Pet Pantry receive cat litter for the cats in the Township.

1. Go to catspride.com
2. Click "Litter for Good"
3. Click "Join the Club"
4. Sign up with your name and email
5. After you register, click "Nominate"
6. Enter "60462" in zip code search bar
7. Choose "Orland Township Pet Pantry" to nominate



You can also participate by purchasing a green jug of litter and entering the promo code from the jug on the website.

# Stock the Pantry

## Pantry Needs:

- Boxed Stuffing
- Cake Mix
- Canned/Boxed Broth
- Cooking Oil
- Condiments  
(i.e: Ketchup, Mustard, Mayo, BBQ)
- Cereal
- Dry Potatoes
- Flour & Sugar
- Jelly
- Mac & Cheese
- Pasta Sauce
- Rice
- Salad Dressing
- Side Dish  
(i.e: RiceaRoni, Great Grains, Hamburger Helper)
- Toiletries  
(i.e: Shampoo, Conditioner, Toothpaste)
- \$25 Gift Card from Your Favorite Grocer



Monday through Friday  
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

No Expired Food



**USDA Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program**



SNAP/LINK recipients have the following options to inquire about available benefits:

- ♦ Visit [ABE.Illinois.gov](http://ABE.Illinois.gov)
- ♦ Call (800) 843-6154 (Dept. of Human Services Helpline)
- ♦ Call (773) 843-5416 (Greater Chicago Food Depository Benefits Hotline)

## Orland Township is Offering SCHOOL SUPPLIES to Qualifying Low-Income Orland Township Families

### Must show:

- Proof of residency (picture ID with correct address)
- Proof of income from last 30 days
- One of the following:
  - Child's birth certificate
  - Medical card
  - School district letter or bus route information



### Distribution Dates:

Monday, Aug. 2 through Friday, Aug. 6  
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
&  
Saturday, Aug. 14  
**Back to School Health Fair**  
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**\*School supplies and backpacks available while supplies last!**

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES & BACKPACKS AVAILABLE FOR STUDENTS KINDERGARTEN -HIGH SCHOOL**



## Portillo's for GOOD



## PET-PALOOZA

Orland Township is proud to announce a 4-location Portillo's For Good fundraiser to benefit Pet-Palooza! Pet-Palooza is Orland Township's largest and only fundraiser for Orland Township's Pet Pantry.

**Thursday, July 22 from 5-8 p.m.**

**Tinley Park**  
15900 S Harlem Ave.,  
Tinley Park, IL 60477

**Crestwood**  
13130 S Cicero Ave.  
Crestwood, IL 60445

**New Lenox**  
2306 E Lincoln Hwy.  
New Lenox, IL 60451

**Oak Lawn**  
4020 W 95th St  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453

**Cut out this ad and present it when you order. 20% of your purchase price will be donated to Pet-Palooza!**

Join us for Pet-Palooza Saturday, Sept. 25 from Noon to 3 p.m.  
Orland Township, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave., Orland Park

Mark your calendar for the return of Orland Township's Pet Fair & Fundraiser

# PET-pALOOZA 2021

Hosted by Orland Township Supervisor Paul O'Grady & the Board of Trustees

## Saturday, Sept. 25, 2021 • Noon to 3 p.m.

Township Grounds at 14807 S. Ravinia Ave., Orland Park • Benefiting the Orland Township Pet Pantry

Orland Township residents, along with their furry, four-legged family members, are invited for a day of family fun at the 9<sup>th</sup> annual Pet-Palooza. Rain or shine, come "paw-ty" at our pet-friendly festival.

### Pet-Palooza will include:

-  More than 75 pet-friendly/pet-centered businesses and organizations!
-  Pet adoptions
-  Pet products and information
-  Free samples from local restaurants - many of which have pet-friendly patio areas



 Pet contests with prizes!



 Professional dog trainers



### Rover's Rest Zone:

-  Water bowls
-  Shade
-  Cooling mist
-  Cooling pools for hot paws



## PET-PALOOZA RULES

- All participating pets should have up-to-date vaccinations.
- Owners are responsible for cleaning up after their pets.
- All pets must be on leashes of six feet or less.
- All animals must wear proper tags.
- Costumes for pets (and their owners!) are encouraged but not required.

### The Kids' Zone:

-  Games & prizes!
-  Face painting!
-  Inflatable bounce-houses!
-  Trackless train rides!
-  Princesses, superheroes & other characters!



 Live entertainment!

 "Ask the Vet" booth



No pet? No sweat! All are invited to Pet-Palooza, and with the various rescue organizations in attendance, you might just find your next best fur-friend! At the 2019 Pet-Palooza, there were five successful adoptions on site!

Activities, vendors, and attractions are added daily, so to keep up-to-date, visit: [orlandtownship.org](http://orlandtownship.org) or [facebook.com/orlandtownshippetpalooza](https://facebook.com/orlandtownshippetpalooza).

Admission is FREE, however a donation of a five-pound bag of pet food or a cash donation to the Orland Township Pet Pantry is strongly encouraged and greatly appreciated. All proceeds benefit the Orland Township Pet Pantry, "Crashy's Closet," which was founded by Supervisor O'Grady and his wife and provides pet food and supplies to families in need.

For additional information, including how to become a participating vendor, please call Lindsay Trost or Robin Kassis at (708) 403-4222.

**Please note, at the time of Pet-Palooza, Orland Township will follow the State of Illinois Covid-19 guidelines for public events. Thank you for your cooperation.**



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July– September 2021

Additional copies are available at the Township office, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave.

For more information on Township programs and events, please call (708) 403-4222 or visit [www.orlandtownship.org](http://www.orlandtownship.org)