



THE ORLAND TOWNSHIP FOCUS



MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERVISOR



Paul O'Grady
Orland Township Supervisor

Dear Orland Township Resident,

Among the most sacred freedoms we enjoy as American citizens is the right to vote. At Orland Township, we strongly encourage residents to exercise that right and we take pride in our efforts to maximize participation in our democratic process by making voting as accessible as possible.

With all state government executive branch offices on the ballot this year, plus all Illinois General Assembly and U.S. House seats, this election is especially important. For two weeks prior to the general election on Tuesday, Nov. 8, residents may vote early at the Orland Township's office and community center at 14807 S. Ravinia Ave.

Please see the Clerk's Column on page 7 for detailed early voting dates and times. We hope you will take advantage of the opportunity to cast your ballot at a time that works best for you.

Flu Shots at Orland Township

It's hard to believe fall is already here and that the holiday season is just weeks away. Orland Township is planning a series of holiday-themed events — see the list appearing below — so we encourage residents to get immunized and reduce the chances they will miss out on the season's festivities and opportunities to gather in celebration with friends and family.

Flu shots will be available at our community center, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave., every Wednesday through Nov. 2 from 3 to 7 p.m. See the Health Services section on page 8 for more information about all of the Township's immunization clinics.

Public health experts are warning that this could be a particularly severe flu season, which means it is especially important to get a flu shot to protect yourself and others.

Highlights of Holiday Events

Holiday Donation Drive-Thru: Enjoy the utmost convenience while aiding Orland Township's Holiday Program. Between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 29 and Tuesday, Dec. 6, community members may use the drive-thru beside our facility to quickly and easily donate new, unwrapped gift items, clothing and non-perishable food items to help support local families experiencing hardship this holiday season.

Amazon Digital Toy Drive: If you can't make it out to stores in time, there's another option to support the Holiday Program. From Wednesday, Nov. 9 to Friday, Dec. 9, residents may shop Amazon to direct gift items straight to Orland Township for the Holiday Program. The Township has assembled an easy-to-shop list; visit orlandtownship.org for more information.

Student Holiday Letters to Elders: Brighten the holidays for area seniors by sending them greeting letters. Orland Township is sponsoring Holiday Letters to Elders from Wednesday, Nov. 9 to Friday, Dec. 9 and we invite students to join us by writing their own letters. Service hours are available.

Family Bingo with Santa: Get into the holiday spirit with the kids or grandkids at Orland Township's Family Bingo with Santa on Thursday, Dec. 1 from 5 to 7 p.m. Santa will be here for pictures. We'll also have Papa Joe's pizza and salad, and prizes for bingo winners.

Merry PAWS-mas: To support local families in need of assistance for their animal companions, we encourage you to consider donating dog food, cat food and/or litter for the Orland Township Pet Pantry from Thursday, Dec. 1 through Friday, Dec. 16. Bring your four-legged canine friend to the Township office and receive a special treat for your support!

Working for You

If you have any questions about these initiatives or need assistance, please call us at (708) 403-4222. We look forward to continuing our work, through our programs, services and events, to enrich the quality of life for local residents. We wish you a safe and happy fall and holiday season.

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

Sincerely,
Paul O'Grady

FALL NEWSLETTER

Oct. — Dec.

2022



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

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**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

SAVE THE DATE

Nov. 29 & Dec. 6:
Giving Tuesday:
Holiday Donation Drive Thru

Oct. 13:
Fall Into Autumn:
Craft Fair & Vendor Show

Oct. 17:
Senior Trunk & Treat

Dec. 1:
Family Bingo With Santa

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ORLAND TOWNSHIP AROUND TOWN



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

While promoting community togetherness, they also raise money for both the Orland Township Scholarship Foundation and Food Pantry, providing for those who need it most.

Finance Chairman John Lynch

Local Government Spotlight "Leading on Safety & Fiscal Responsibility" A Letter from Orland Fire Protection District Trustees

Dear Resident:

The mission of the Orland Fire Protection District is to save lives by putting out fires, responding to medical emergencies, and increasing public awareness of best practices to prevent fires.

Despite the challenges of population growth and inflation, since 2011 there has not been one Fire Protection District property tax increase or levy hike. Unlike other local government units, OFPD receives no sales tax revenues.

We take our responsibility to manage limited taxpayer resources seriously and believe that by holding the line on taxes and fees, while providing maximum services, OFPD provides an example of how government should work.

OFPD'S REMARKABLE 65 PERCENT "SAVE RATE"

The Orland Fire Protection District is proud to have the highest "Save Rate" in the country — 65 percent — when responding to individuals having a heart attack or in full cardiac arrest. In comparison, the national average is no more than 15 percent.

This means that a person in cardiac distress within OFPD boundaries has a nearly five-times greater chance of survival when compared to the average level in the United States.

The Save Rate is much greater in the Orland Fire Protection District because the Board of Trustees and staff put heavy emphasis on our firefighters and paramedics receiving the highest quality professional training and equipment in the country.

OFPD also operates one of the premier dispatch centers in the Midwest. Our dispatch team has received multiple awards for excellence in performing their duties. The center serves eight municipalities in the area, but having it based in Orland Township is a significant benefit local residents. When every second counts, it makes for faster response times to those who need help.

BEST PRACTICES EXTEND TO MANAGING OFPD FINANCES

As a government agency, the Orland Fire Protection District is also one of the best when it comes to managing your tax dollars.

Cook County officials in June announced property tax collections would be more than six months late, meaning many local governments will be forced to: borrow money to maintain operations and increase taxes to cover interest on the debt; eliminate services; or reduce staffing.

As a result of having superior financial management practices, OFPD will be spared those hard choices and avoid compromising public safety. We will continue to employ the same number of firefighters and paramedics next year as we do today.

Over the last decade, the Orland Fire Protection District has been nationally recognized for excellent financial management. Each year, our auditors praise the transparent, thorough accounting processes we use to keep close track of your tax dollars.

We are grateful to OFPD's firefighters, paramedics and EMTs for their regular acts of heroism, and for the calm, steady support they receive from dispatchers. We take seriously OFPD's duty to protect every home, business and life in Orland Township. Our commitment to do so in a financially responsible way will never change.

Sincerely,

Chris Evoy, President
John Brudnak, President Pro Tem
Jayne Schirmacher, Treasurer
Craig F. Schmidt, Secretary
James Hickey, Trustee, and former Board President



Meet Copper LaPrairie: SuPETvisor

After weeks of pet parents submitting their beloved pets in the Orland Township SuPETvisor photo contest, our residents showed up to our virtual polls and casted the most votes for our new Orland Township SuPETvisor, Mr. Copper LaPrairie!



With a total of 272 votes, Copper has won the title of Orland Township's SuPETvisor! Supervisor Paul O'Grady is proud to have a 'paw-some' new leader around!

Want to learn a bit more about Copper? He loves going for walks around Orland Township, playing with toys, swimming in his pool, running with the neighbor dogs in the backyard and snuggling with his family!



He also loves spending time with his best friend, Snickers. His family adopted him from Midwest Animal Hospital about a year ago. We're told they took the BEST care of him when he came in as a stray! Copper is an American Pitbull Terrier, and is noted as the sweetest family dog by his forever home.

We hope you join us in congratulating SuPETvisor Copper on his victory!

ORLAND TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR PAUL O'GRADY & THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES PRESENT...

SENIOR TRUNK & TREAT.



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ORLAND TOWNSHIP AROUND TOWN

Supervisor O’Grady, Other Public Officials Help Seniors Guard Against Fraud

Orland Township Supervisor Paul O’Grady hosted a fraud prevention seminar in conjunction with the Illinois Attorney General’s office, state Rep. Frances Hurley and state Sen. Bill Cunningham.

Orland Township encourages older adults in the community to remain informed and aware of possible scams — and how to detect them — through educational events such as this event held in August. Seniors also may learn more by seeking information from trusted family members, friends or senior support services.

“The sad reality is that senior citizens often are the targets of fraud,” Supervisor O’Grady said. “We will continue to do our part to help area seniors educate and protect themselves.”



Successful Shredding

Hundreds of cars lined up in the 80th Ave. Train Station on July 16 for the Community Shred-A-Thon sponsored by Orland Township Supervisor Paul O’Grady and Village of Tinley Park Mayor Michael Glotz.

Volunteers from both the Orland and Tinley Park areas showed up with energy and enthusiasm to assist with the event. Residents turned up with boxes full of old bank statements, tax forms, and other personal records that they were able to safely shred thanks to the generosity of ProShred.

Many saw it as a safe and affordable way to get rid of clutter. “The free shredding events we have in our community make it easy for Orland Township residents to dispose of sensitive documents,” said Supervisor O’Grady. “Residents can expect additional shredding events in the future, since we do everything possible to make these opportunities easily accessible and frequent.”



Students Prepared at Orland Township Back-to-School Health Fair

Orland Township’s annual Back-to-School Health Fair, presented by Supervisor Paul O’Grady and the Board of Trustees, was a hit with the community. The event, held Aug. 20 on the Township grounds, focused on the health and well-being of children in the area as they prepared to return to school.

“We understand how important it is that families have access to safe and affordable health care services in Orland Township, especially during the back-to-school season.” said Supervisor O’Grady. “This, along with the free haircuts graciously provided by Salon Evangelos, and the new school supplies and backpacks donated by members of our community, helped local children start the new school year on the right foot.”

A number of local businesses and public offices worked together to make this year’s event a success. They included American School Bus of Orland Park, Chiro One Wellness Centers of Orland Hills, Heights Cycle, Orland Fire Protection District, Orland Park Bank & Trust, Orland Park Public Library, Orland Township Youth & Family Services, Sahara’s Party Faces, Salon Evangelos, and the Illinois Secretary of State’s office. Sponsors included McDonald’s (14445 S. LaGrange Road, Orland Park), Symphony Palos Park, The Home Depot, and Jersey Mike’s Subs.

All in attendance greatly appreciated the participation of health care professionals including doctors, nurses, nurse practitioners and nursing students from Lewis University.



General Assistance Office Assists 150 Households with Support Grant

This past summer, the General Assistance Office administered support grants to senior or disabled residents. With income guidelines in place, this one-time grant served multiple purposes: to inform lower income households of possible utility assistance programs, distribute community resources, and to address the rising costs of gasoline and food.

Other highlights of the office’s summer activity include:

- Consultations with 150 households, including 140 senior households, 15 households with an individual with a disability, and 10 households with minor children. (Approximately half of the households had not been aware of potential utility assistance programs including LIHEAP, Nicor Sharing, and Illinois American Water H2O Help to Others.)
- Administration of more than 40 Nicor Sharing grants.
- Administration of five Illinois American Water H2O Help to Others grants.
- Distribution of numerous \$50 gas and grocery gift cards to qualifying households.



Orland Township Joins Forces with Cook County Sheriff’s Office Over Park Concerns

Orland Township and the Cook County Sheriff’s Office are working together, as part of a larger community effort, to address resident concerns about recent incidents of damage that occurred at Pinewood Park and Freedom Park.

In September, the team held a Party in the Park for local residents. While there, guests had the opportunity to enjoy tacos from Joey’s Red Hots food truck, meet K9 Lajka, and tour the squad cars while meeting with law enforcement officers.

More information about the park vandalism is available at orlandtownship.org/parks. To share any information or video footage specific to possible crime at the parks, please call the Cook County Sheriff’s Police at (708) 865-4790 and press 5 for the patrol desk. To report crime in real time, call 911.



PET-pALOOZA 2022



Orland Township's 10th Annual Pet-Palooza: A 'Purrr-fect' Day

Orland Township's 10th annual pet fair and fundraiser, Pet-Palooza, attracted nearly 2,000 guests this September. With live entertainment, such as musician Erik Donner and professional reptile educators Crosstown Exotics, free food samples, the ever so popular Kids Zone, and 36 different vendors present, there was something for everyone to enjoy. Four of the six categories in Pet-Palooza's pet contests hit capacity before the sign-up deadline.

Pet-Palooza's partnership with local animal rescue organizations is vital to the event's mission. Animal Welfare League, Cache Creek Rescue, Feline Fine Cat Rescue, Half-Way Home Animal Rescue (Illinois), One Goal Animal Foundation, Paws Up 4 Rescue, South Suburban Humane Society, St. Sophia's Forgotten Felines, and Traveling Tails Dog Rescue were among the many participants of the 2022 event.

"Holding our 10th annual Pet-Palooza is a major accomplishment," said Orland Township Supervisor Paul O'Grady. "It shows how much our community will come out, time after time, to support a great cause."

"Pets mean the world to so many local families," he continued. "That's why we'll keep doing everything we can to support them, whether that be through our pantry or fun events such as Pet-Palooza."

Before the day came to an end, pets and their owners flocked to the main tent to join the events all had been eagerly awaiting: the pet contests. Over 60 pups showed up to compete in the six categories: Best Voice, Best Dressed, Best Trick, Quick Sit (dog version of musical chairs), Bobbing for Hotdogs and Fast Finish (eating peanut butter off a stick). One of the many winners across the board was Tinkerbell, who won first place for her Snow White costume in 'Best Dressed' category. Guests enjoyed seeing all the creativity and talent amongst the contestants.

The day would not be possible without the support from local sponsors. Among the many, four major organizations contributed as 'Top Dog' sponsors: Minnie's Memorial Fund at P.A.W.S., Vet Tech Institute at Fox College, Pet Supplies Plus of Orland Park, and Lou Malnati's of Tinley Park.

Learn more about everything Pet-Palooza at orlandtownship.org/petpalooza

CRASHY'S CLOSET

"Crashy's Closet," Orland Township's Pet Pantry, is named for a beloved rescue cat adopted by Supervisor O'Grady and his family. It aims to provide food and supplies for pets whose families are experiencing financial difficulty.

Crashy's Closet relies on the generosity of the community and welcomes donations of **NEW** dog and cat food, kitty litter, pet treats, pet shampoo, toys, collars, leashes, and other miscellaneous pet-related items year-round.

Orland Township's Pet-Palooza is the Pet Pantry's only annual fundraiser. Pet-Palooza is an outdoor, family and pet friendly event, centered around pets and their care. Attendees are asked to make a donation of a bag of pet food or money upon entry to the large, outdoor event held entirely on Township grounds. The event includes more than 50 local vendors, free samples from local restaurants, a Kids Zone with inflatables, games, prizes and trackless train rides, and the popular pet contests with celebrity judges.

PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING!



Special thanks to our Pet-Palooza Sponsors! These organizations go above and beyond to help make a difference, one paw at a time.

TOP DOG SPONSORS

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 at P.A.W.S. of Tinley Park
 For Shelter Dogs with Special Needs




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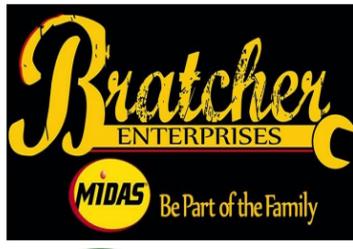

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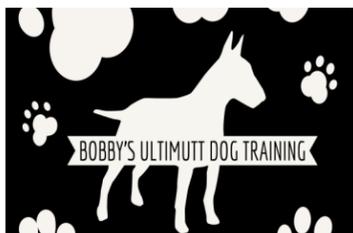


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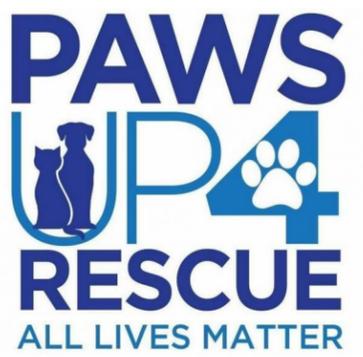



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The mission of the Township Assessor is to provide information and services that are accessible, prompt and accurate. This is possible, in part, because township government is so close and responsive to the local property owner.



NEWS FROM THE ASSESSOR
RICH E. KELLY

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

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

As of the writing of this Focus article, the Tax Year 2021 Second Installment Property Tax due date still has yet to be determined. This forthcoming Second Installment bill will reflect the assessed value, state equalization factor, exemption(s), local tax rate, and total payment due. This bill also will show a Taxing District Breakdown indicating the amount being paid to each taxing district within that particular suburban municipality.

As a reminder, 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 1956 or prior year)
- Senior Assessment Freeze Exemption (senior citizen residing in home as of Jan. 1, 2020 and Jan. 1, 2021, with a total gross household income, including gross social security for income tax year 2020, 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 2021 property tax year, as well as three prior years, if applicable, in order to receive refunds.

A total of **238** Board of Review Appeals for 2021 were filed through our office during the Cook County Board of Review filing period of Feb. 14, 2022 through March 15, 2022. The Cook County Board of Review mailed their appeal result letters on approximately June 6, 2022. Of these 238 appeals, 174 or approximately 73% resulted in reductions. These assessed valuation reductions will be reflected on the 2021 Second Installment Property Tax Bills. Sixty-four of the appeals, or approximately 27%, 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:

64	Did not receive any assessed valuation reductions
11	Received reductions ranging from 1 – 999
47	Received reductions ranging from 1,000 – 1,999
61	Received reductions ranging from 2,000 – 2,999
35	Received reductions ranging from 3,000 – 3,999
10	Received reductions ranging from 4,000 – 4,999
3	Received reductions ranging from 5,000 – 5,999
2	Received reductions ranging from 6,000 – 6,999
2	Received reductions ranging from 7,000 – 7,999
2	Received reductions ranging from 8,000 – 8,999
1	Received a reduction ranging from 10,000 – 10,999

The **approximate** dollar amount of savings per every 1,000 reduction in assessed valuation would be \$322. This **approximate** figure was calculated by multiplying 1,000 times the 2020 state multiplier of 3.2234 times a sample tax rate of 10% (2021 final state multiplier and 2021 actual tax rates not available as of the writing of this article). The total assessed valuation reductions of the 174 appeals in which our office assisted with the appeal process equaled 459,668. Based on the above formula: 459,668 X 3.2234 X 10% = \$148,169. This figure represents the **approximate** total savings to these 174 taxpayers.

Orland Township was open for 2022 Assessment Appeals through the Cook County Assessor's Office from July 13, 2022 to Aug. 15, 2022. Our taxpayers also will be given a second opportunity to file 2022 appeals through the Cook County Board of Review. This **approximate** filing period **may** occur in November. Check the Board of Review's website later (cookcountyboardofreview.com) or contact our office at (708) 403-4712 for exact details regarding this particular appeal filing period.

If you have any questions regarding property taxes, you may contact me or one of my staff, Mary Ellen Colletti or Lea Sullivan, at (708) 403-4712. We will be happy to assist you. Please stay well and safe, and enjoy the beautiful autumn weather and colors!

Supporting Residents with General & Emergency Assistance



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 return to self-sufficiency 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.



Monetary Relief from NICOR Natural Gas Bills

The Nicor Gas Sharing Program provides qualifying households with monetary relief for their natural gas bills. Eligibility is based on several factors, including household size and income. Any residential customer can apply for a one-time annual Sharing Grant, which does not need to be paid back. The Salvation Army administers the grant program, which is funded through direct contributions from Nicor Gas customers and employees.

For more information on income requirements for a Sharing Grant, and other assistance programs available to residents, please contact Alexis at (708) 403-4222. Each individual household is eligible for just one Sharing Grant per year.

Utility Bill Assistance Available Through CEDA

Financial assistance with gas and electric bills is available through the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). This program, administered by the Community and Economic Development Association of Cook County (CEDA), is available to households meeting income requirements (see chart).

Orland Township is NOT a CEDA Partner Intake Site.

For more information or to apply for LIHEAP, visit CEDAorg.net or call (800) 571-2332.



Household Size	30-Day GROSS Income maximum
1	\$2,265
2	\$3,052
3	\$3,838
4	\$4,625
5	\$5,412
6	\$6,198
7	\$6,985
8	\$7,324

Help Support Local Families this Holiday Season

Pandemic poverty is far from over. Today, 20 million Americans don't have enough food to eat and 7.1 million are behind on rent. As a service extension of The Salvation Army, Orland Township, helps families in need by providing clothing, food, household essentials, and more to neighbors in need each year. Please join our efforts to keep hope marching on with a generous gift made on this registry.

Learn more:
orlandtownship.org/holiday





NEWS FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK
CINDY M. MURRAY

Vote Early at Orland Township
General Election is Tuesday, Nov. 8

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

Orland Township has long been among the most popular early voting sites in suburban Cook County. In the two weeks prior to the June 28 primary election, 4,072 individuals voted at our community center, making Orland Township the county's busiest suburban early voting destination.

The general election is Tuesday, Nov. 8 and, in advance of that election, Orland Township will again offer early voting. Appearing below are early voting dates and times, as well as options for registering to vote. If you're eligible to vote and not already registered, we encourage you to do so soon.

Statewide offices including United States senator, governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, secretary of state, treasurer and comptroller are up for election this year, as are all Illinois General Assembly and U.S. House seats.

Regardless of one's candidate preferences, everyone should agree that exercising our right to vote is critical. 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

Early Voting at Orland Township

Early voting at the Orland Township office, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave., begins Monday, Oct. 24 and will continue through Monday, Nov. 7 — the day before Election Day.

You may vote early at Orland Township during the following dates and times:

Monday, Oct. 24 through Saturday, Oct. 29
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 30
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 31 through Friday, Nov. 4
9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 5
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 6
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 7
9 a.m. to 7 p.m.



Voter Registration Options

Registering to vote in Orland Township is easy and convenient. If you're eligible to vote but not already registered, please do so at your earliest opportunity. You may register online, by mail, or in person. You must:

1. Be a U.S. citizen.
2. Be at least 18 years old on or before the Tuesday, Nov. 8 general election.
3. Be a resident of your 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.

Ways to Register

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 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
- Public aid ID card
- Lease or rental contract

Grace Period Registration & Voting

The standard voter registration period closes 28 days prior to Election Day, but grace period registration and voting continues the registration period by allowing voters to register and vote up to, and even on, Election Day.

Guidelines limit when and where grace period registrants can vote. During the 27-day grace period preceding Election Day, those who wish to register and vote in person may do so at one of the Cook County clerk's designated grace period locations; see cookcountyclerk.il.gov/elections or call (312) 603-0906. Orland Township, as an early voting site, also conducts grace period registration during periods of early voting.

Individuals wishing to vote during this period must bring two pieces of identification to register. Grace period registrants immediately cast their ballot after registering to vote.

Election Day Registration at Your Polling Place

To register to vote or to update your voter information on Election Day, visit your home precinct and display two forms of ID. Neither needs to be a photo ID, but one must include your current address. To find the address of the polling place for your precinct, visit the Cook County Clerk's website, cookcountyclerk.com, click the "Elections" link, choose "Your Voter Information" and then "Where Is My Polling Place."

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 Congratulates Betty Fugger on Retirement

Following 30 years in service of Orland Township and our residents, Betty Fugger retired in September as the Township's transportation coordinator.

Orland Township Supervisor Paul O'Grady, the Board of Trustees, and Township staff and volunteers congratulate Betty on her retirement. Over the past three decades, she worked closely with many residents requiring Township services to help maintain and improve their quality of life.

She managed transportation services for more than 2,300 seniors in Orland Township each year with skill and great care. Her ability to help reach and engage senior members of our community seeking curbside transportation service for daily outings and crucial medical appointments, all while offering the much needed support necessary for their safety, health and quality of life, exemplified the Township's commitment to the community.

May she cherish every moment of this time and revel in this new stage of her life. Whatever comes next for Betty, we hope it brings the same joy and fulfillment that she brought to us!





ORLAND TOWNSHIP HEALTH SERVICES



#FIGHT FLU

with 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

Fluarix 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

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. 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. 165th St., Suite 14
Orland Park, IL 60467
(708) 403-0071
(new patients must purchase x-rays)

Dr. Dimitri Tsoukalas

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

VISION

Pediatric/Adult Ophthalmology Exam - \$45 **OR** **\$55

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. 171st St., Suite C
Tinley Park, IL 60487
(708) 403-8300

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

Davis Eye Care

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

Kirschner Vision Group

Dr. Ken Kirschner
Dr. Paul Kirschner
Dr. Genine Graff
Dr. Lisa Wilson
7026 W. 159th St.
Orland Park, IL 60462
(708) 687-0600

Eye Was Framed Eye Care

Dr. Dawn Tuminello
11319 W. 143rd 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. 159th St. #5
Orland Park, IL 60462
(708) 403-7250

Dr. Wayne Tillman
13011 S.104th Ave., Ste.201
Palos Park, IL 60464
(708) 923-0400
(makes house calls)
(voucher not applicable)

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

HEARING

Audiological Evaluation - Free

Orland Hearing Aid Center

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



ORLAND TOWNSHIP FLU SHOT CLINICS
14807 S. Ravinia Ave., Orland Park
Wednesdays • 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

October 12 & 19
November 2 & 9



Life Line Screening goes beyond regular checkups to look inside your arteries for signs of plaque build-up



All 5 Screenings for \$149

Carotid Artery Disease:

An ultrasound is performed to screen the carotid arteries for buildup of fatty plaque.

Peripheral Arterial Disease:

An Ankle-Brachial Index (ABI) test is performed using blood pressure cuffs on the arms and legs!

Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm:

An ultrasound is performed to screen the abdominal aorta for the presence of an enlargement or aneurysm.

Atrial Fibrillation:

A 6-lead electrocardiogram (EKG) is performed by placing sensors on the arms and legs to screen for irregular heartbeat.

Osteoporosis Risk:

An ultrasound is performed to measure the shin bone for abnormal bone mass density.

Monday, Nov. 14th
Orland Township Activity Center
14807 S. Ravinia Ave.

Get your special Community Circle pricing!

Three ways to register and receive the special discount:

Call toll-free: 1-800-679-5192

Online: [LLSA.SOCIAL/HS](https://www.llsa-social.com/HS)

Text: the word [circle](https://www.llsa-social.com/HS) to 797979



Getting Screened is Simple!

Painless, non-invasive, keep your clothes on.



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

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). Visit [cdc.gov](https://www.cdc.gov) for information about the VFC program and guidelines for eligibility.

Upcoming Clinic Dates & Times

Saturday, Oct. 22: 9 to 11:30 a.m.
 Tuesday, Nov. 22: 5:30 to 8 p.m.

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:

Oct. 12 & 26
 Nov. 9 & 23

*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.



To schedule an appointment please call the Township at (708) 403-4222 or visit [orlandtownship.org](https://www.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:

Nov. 2
 Dec. 7

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:

Oct. 18
 Nov. 15
 Dec. 20

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.

Medication Drop Box

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](https://www.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.

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](https://www.orlandtownship.org)

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](https://www.coast2coastrx.com) to print your card.

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Visit [coast2coastrx.com](https://www.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](https://www.cyberdriveillinois.com).

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.

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](https://www.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 (\$79,500 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
American Red Cross

Give blood and keep the world-beating

American Red Cross Blood Drive at Orland Township:

Sunday, Oct. 16

Register online:
www.redcrossblood.org

Donate your blood and make a difference.

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 maintain updated emergency contact information on file with the Township. There is no cost to register. Proof of residency is required.

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, visit orlandtownship.org/senior-programs.



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.



RULES of the ROAD

"Rules of the Road"

This is a review test for seniors required to take the written or driving test to renew their driver's licenses. This **FREE** class is offered five times a year.

Upcoming Sessions

Monday, Nov. 28 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Registration is required; call Orland Township at 708) 403-4222 for additional information.

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.

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 occurs on Thursdays and Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Orland Township Activity Center, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave.

Need a reason to pick up and read a good book? Studies have shown that regular reading can help preserve mental faculties, enabling people to live independently longer. To help seniors get into or maintain a good reading habit, Orland Township has partnered with the Orland Park Library. On one Thursday during each of the next two months — Oct. 13 and Nov. 10 — library personnel will be at Senior Drop-In at 10 a.m. to provide seniors with the opportunity to sign up for library cards and borrow books and DVDs.

*Cancellations will be posted on the Township website (orlandtownship.org/senior-activities) a week in advance.

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 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.

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.

Silver Tones Seeking Senior Singers and Choir Director

Do you have an appreciation for music and enjoy singing your favorite tunes? Come and check out Orland Township's senior choir, the Silver Tones! The choir will rehearse a variety of songs to prepare for Orland Township performances and other events throughout the surrounding communities. There is no cost to join the Silver Tones and all singing levels are welcome. If you are interested in learning more about joining, please contact Orland Township at (708) 403-4222.

SENIOR LUNCHEONS

Halloween Luncheon

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

Place: Orland Township, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave.
Date: Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2022
Time: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Fee: \$15/Residents Only (On Sale Now)



Thanksgiving Senior Luncheon

Winston's Market is providing a holiday turkey meal with all the trimmings. The meal includes roasted turkey and stuffing, mashed potatoes and gravy, sautéed carrots, and cranberry sauce. Dessert is sliced pumpkin pie with whipped cream. Entertainment will be provided by vocalist Mary Pfeifer performing her Patsy Cline show.

Place: Orland Township, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave.
Date: Tuesday, Nov. 22
Time: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Fee: \$15/Residents Only (On Sale Oct. 11)



Holiday Luncheon

Spend a lovely afternoon at Silver Lake Country Club and enjoy a delicious plated lunch, including cream of chicken soup, sautéed chicken picante, mashed potatoes, green beans almandine, and peppermint ice cream for dessert along with coffee and iced tea. The talented Amanda Wolf from the fabulous Flat Cats will entertain you with Christmas tunes! Please join Orland Township in this perfect way to celebrate the holiday season!

Place: Silver Lake Country Club, 14700 S. 82nd Ave., Orland Park
Date: Tuesday, Dec. 13
Time: 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Fee: \$23/Residents (On Sale Nov. 1)
\$28/Non-Residents (On Sale Nov. 2)



SENIOR DINNER DANCES

Winter Wonderland Dinner Dance

The sparkle and glamour of the holiday season is upon us! Embrace the spirit of the holidays and enjoy an evening of spectacular entertainment by The Sundance Band and a delicious meal from the Orland Chateau. Make sure to be there!

Place: Orland Chateau, 14500 S. LaGrange Road, Orland Park
Date: Thursday, Nov. 17
Time: 5 to 10 p.m.
Fee: \$27/Residents (On Sale Now)
\$32/Non-Residents (On Sale Now)



New Year's Eve Dinner Dance

Start the New Year early with Orland Township's biggest bash! Join us as we ring in the New Year with family and friends. The evening will include a champagne toast, noise makers and a New Year's count down!

Don't miss a great menu and fantastic entertainment by the Flat Cats.

Place: Orland Chateau, 14500 S. LaGrange Rd., Orland Park
Date: Thursday, Dec. 29
Time: 5 to 10 p.m.
Fee: \$27/Residents (On Sale Nov. 17)
\$32/Non-Residents (On Sale Nov. 18)



SENIOR TRIPS

‘Sweet Reminders of Christmas’

A special tribute to the songs of some of the Christmas television specials from years ago evokes those warm fuzzy feelings of simpler times. Beautiful vocals, interesting song facts, quirky props, a healthy dose of humor and a bit of audience participation make “**Sweet Reminders of Christmas**” a fun stop on your holiday good-time to-do list! Guaranteed to put you in the mood to **Deck the Halls** and **Jingle** your **Bells!**



A delicious family-style lunch will include roast sirloin of beef, roast turkey, garlic mashed potatoes, stuffing, cranberry sauce, mostaccioli, vegetable medley, garden-fresh tossed salad, rolls, coffee or tea, beverage and dessert.

Place: Chandler’s Chop House, 401 N. Roselle Road, Schaumburg
Date: Thursday, Dec. 1
Time: Depart at 9:30 a.m. at 151st and 94th Ave., Orland Park
Fee: \$105/Residents (On Sale Now)
 \$110/Non-Residents (On Sale Now)

Plan for Spring: Best of the Bluegrass Kentucky Tour

Ready to witness the next Secretariat? Orland Township next spring will offer an experience of southern hospitality, happiness and horse racing! Visit beautiful Lexington and Louisville, Ky., and tour thoroughbred horse farms, bourbon distilleries and the famous Churchill Downs for a day of live racing.

Your tour guide will be John Gerbas, Jr., a native of the Hegewisch neighborhood on Chicago’s South Side. Having owned, bred and trained race horses for the last five decades, he’s had a hand in producing a number of famous winners. Hear stories, witness traditions, and be charmed by this fantastic tour of the famous Bluegrass Country. You’ll enjoy this bucket list trip in first class fashion!

Orland Township will share details of this spring event in the next edition of *Focus*.

Place: Lexington & Louisville Kentucky
Date: Spring (TBA)
Time: TBA
Fee: TBA



SENIOR HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM (S.H.I.P.)

Orland Township’s FREE Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP) aids seniors in need of help with Medicare claims and statements, as well as help with Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Coverage. Counselors are trained and certified with the Illinois Department of Insurance. The Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP) is a free counseling service for people with Medicare and their caregivers. SHIP is sponsored by the Illinois Department on Aging. This service, offered statewide, is available to people of all ages with Medicare.

- SHIP is not affiliated with any insurance company.
- SHIP counselors do not sell or solicit any type of insurance.
- SHIP trains volunteer counselors throughout the State of Illinois to provide one-on-one help with your insurance

Senior Citizens and Persons with Disabilities Receive Reduced-Fee License Plate Stickers and Other Benefits with the Illinois Department on Aging’s Benefit Access Program

The state Department on Aging’s Benefit Access Program 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. Paper applications are not available. Proof of income must be provided at the time of submission.

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 the current year.

Income Limits

\$33,562 if filing an application for yourself only;
 \$44,533 if filing an application for yourself and your spouse; or
 \$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 filled.

Expiration of Benefits

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

Medicare Part D Drug Prescription Coverage Open Enrollment Starts Saturday, Oct. 15, 2022 All Enrollees Should Review Coverage and Options

Medicare beneficiaries are reminded of the upcoming Annual Coordinated Election Period for Medicare Part D drug coverage, which begins Saturday, Oct. 15 and lasts through Wednesday, Dec. 7. During this period, Medicare beneficiaries who do not have a Part D plan may enroll in one, and those who do have coverage may change plans. Beneficiaries who take no action will remain in their current plan.

However, since Part D plans may make changes to their benefit package for 2023, including changes in premiums, formularies (list of covered drugs), tiers utilization management tools, exceptions and the appeals process, and other aspects of their plans, even beneficiaries who were satisfied with their plan in 2022 are strongly encouraged to closely review their options.

For more information, call (708) 403-4222.

The SENIOR Dating GAME

SEEKING BACHELORS!

Orland Township is seeking interested **bachelors**, ages 55 and older, who are looking for companionship and are willing to do it blindly in front of a live audience.

Modeled after the hit television game show "The Dating Game," Orland Township's Senior Dating Game contestants will be escorted to private screening rooms before appearing on stage to be asked a variety of questions by a potential match.

Winning couples will be treated to a complimentary night on the town.

INTERESTED? REGISTER ONLINE AT ORLANDTOWNSHIP.ORG/DATING-GAME
EVENT DATE & AUDITIONS TBD

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 Maratea

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 an anger management workshop to help navigate this strong emotion. The anger management workshop is offered the last Thursday of every month from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please contact Gina Chigaros at (708) 403-4222 to register.

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.

Get It Straight-Drug Facts 101*

Have you noticed any recent changes in your child's behavior or choice of friends? Do you suspect or know that your child has experimented with alcohol or drugs? This informative workshop encourages parents and adolescents — ages 12 to 18 — to collaboratively confront the world of substance use and abuse.

**An individual screening is needed PRIOR TO the start date. This screening is included in the workshop fee.*

Responsible Risk Taking

This program encourages participants, ages 13 to 17, to make responsible choices through thoughtful discussion. Attendees learn the difference between healthy and unhealthy risk-taking, how to understand the consequences of poor choices, and find positive means of distinguishing themselves from others.

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.

"Forever In My Heart"

This open forum focuses on coping with grief and provides a supportive and accepting environment, paving the way for hope during a time of confusion and crisis. Curriculum may be adjusted to group or individual needs. The group meets as needed. Please call (708) 403-4222 for more information.

S.T.E.P. Parenting Classes (Systematic Training for Effective Parenting)

This four-week class is designed for parents of school-age children. It provides valuable training with the goals of improving communication among family members and fostering the skills to diffuse conflict.

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

FALL into AUTUMN
 Craft Fair & Vendor Show
 Thursday 10/13/22 | 5 - 8 pm
 Orland Township 14807 Ravinia Avenue
 Orland Park, IL.60462
\$5.00 Entrance Fee
 All proceeds will be donated to Orland Township Scholarship Foundation

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS: ORLAND TOWNSHIP SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Local students graduating high school in 2023 and heading to college are encouraged to apply for an Orland Township Scholarship Foundation award. Over the past several years, Supervisor Paul O'Grady — who also serves as the President of the Foundation — and the Board of Directors have awarded over \$216,700 dollars in scholarships, helping well over 280 students receive financial aid towards college.

Applications will be available on Friday, Jan. 13 at the Orland Township office, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave., from guidance counselors at area high schools and from the Township's website, orlandtownship.org.

Completed applications must be returned to the Township or postmarked by Friday, March 31.

The Scholarship Foundation will select finalists after reviewing each application. It will then award scholarships based on a combination of factors including the applicant's commitment to community service, academic focus, recommendations from school representatives, volunteer supervisors or employers, and an essay. Students faced with financial hardship will be given strong consideration.

Please call Orland Township at (708) 403-4222 with any questions.



Supervisor Paul O'Grady & The Board of Trustees present...

Family Bingo With Santa!

Thursday, Dec. 1 | 5 - 7 p.m.
 Orland Township Activity Center
 14807 S. Ravinia Ave., Orland Park

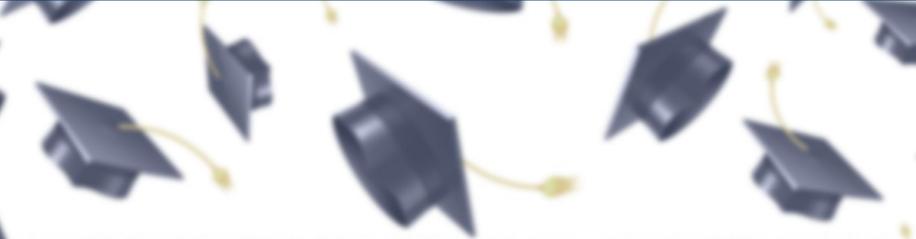
ADULTS \$20 | KIDS \$15
3 & UNDER FREE

Join us for a jolly good time!
 Ticket purchase includes game cards, dinner (Papa Joe's pizza & salad), and pop.

TICKETS ON SALE NOV. 1 ❄️
 A photographer will be onsite to capture all the fun with Santa, so festive attire is highly encouraged!

★ Children MUST be accompanied by an adult.

ORLAND TOWNSHIP



Promote Your Business, Support Local Youth Heading to College.

Orland Township invites area businesses and other organizations to consider advertising in the Focus, our quarterly newsletter to Township residents. All proceeds benefit the Orland Township Scholarship Foundation, which awards college scholarships to local high school seniors based on academic achievement and community service.

The Focus, with a circulation of 41,500, is printed and shared by mail with every household in Orland Township, which covers a 36-square-mile area that is home to more than 100,000 residents. The Township stretches from 135th Street on the north to 183rd Street on the south, and from Harlem Avenue on the east to Will Cook Road on the west.

We serve the communities of Orland Park, Tinley Park, and Orland Hills, as well as the unincorporated areas within these boundaries.

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Election Day is Tuesday, November 8



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PAID FOR BY FRIENDS OF DAN CALANDRIELLO

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.

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



**ORLAND TOWNSHIP
FOOD PANTRY**
Food Pantry Coordinator Robin Kassis, with her daughter Taylor, and Food Pantry Volunteer Nancy Gurak.
Kassis and Gurak headed the planning of the 10th annual Pet-Palooza.

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.



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"



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

Holiday Program Applications Available on Select Dates

The Orland Township Food Pantry is providing Thanksgiving turkey dinners, holiday dinners and gifts to Orland Township families in need. Eligibility for these programs is based on income guidelines.



Applications for the 2022 Holiday Program will be accepted only during the below listed times:

Thursdays: 3 to 6 p.m.

- Oct. 13
- Oct. 20
- Nov. 10
- Dec. 1

Saturdays: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

- Oct. 15
- Oct. 22

Applications will NOT be accepted after Thursday, Dec. 1.

Families applying for Holiday Program support should provide toy and gift ideas (gifts should not exceed \$30). Gifts are provided for children age 12 and under; gifts for children older than 12 will be distributed based on availability. Adults are not promised gifts.

To apply for the Thanksgiving Turkey Dinner and/or the Holiday Program, residents must complete a brief application and provide the following:

1. Proof of Residency. Show picture ID — driver's license or state ID — with correct address for all family members age 18 and older.
2. Verification of Household Income. 2021 income tax return, Income statement from last 30 days or unemployment documentation. If no income, please provide documents of other support.
3. Birth certificates of child/children residing in the household. School verification is also acceptable.



*Spread Cheer,
Volunteer!*

Holiday Turkey & Ham Dinner
Collections at Jewel

Orland Township is looking for volunteers to distribute information about donations for holiday turkey and ham dinners. From Oct. 8 through Dec. 23, Orland Township volunteers will share information at the Jewel-Osco stores at 9350 W. 159th St. and 17930 Wolf Road in Orland Park. Please consider joining us to help spread word of Orland Township holiday programs!

Holiday Food Sort

Help Orland Township's Food Pantry sort all food donations. Volunteers will be asked to check expiration dates and sort each item. Great opportunity for service hours and Girl/Boy Scout Troops! Limited availability.

**Volunteer signup is now online:
orlandtownship.org/volunteer**



Non-perishable food items can be donated **Monday - Friday 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.**

Please check expiration dates before donating.



Thank you for your support!



GREATER CHICAGO FOOD DEPOSITORY

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

- ◆ Visit ABE.Illinois.gov
- ◆ Call (800) 843-6154 (Dept. of Human Services Helpline)
- ◆ Call (773) 843-5416 (Greater Chicago Food Depository Benefits)



Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

*Southwest Community Concert Band's
Home for Christmas
Concert & Food Drive*

Enjoy the holiday sound and support your neighbor in need by bringing something to feed. All food and cash donations from this concert will go directly to the Orland Township Food Pantry.

Saturday, Dec. 17

Concert Time: 6 PM
Location: United Methodist Church
339 West Haven Avenue
New Lenox

<http://swcommunityband.com>

HOLIDAY GIVING

ORLAND TOWNSHIP



Holiday Donation Drive-Thru

IN CONJUNCTION WITH **GIVING TUESDAY**



Accepting Donations On
NOV. 29 & DEC. 6

Please donate new, unwrapped toys, clothing, and unexpired non-perishable food for local children this Holiday season!

Drop-off Location:
Orland Township 14807 S. Ravinia Ave,
Drive-Thru Drop Box Orland Park, IL. 60462

For more information: (708) 403-4222
or orlandtownship.org/holiday

Support local families experiencing hardship this holiday season.

Giving Tuesday with Orland Township: Holiday Donation Drive-Thru

Orland Township's Holiday Program will host a Donation Drive-Thru to allow community members to drop off new, unwrapped gift items, clothing, and nonperishable food items. All donations will go to local families who are experiencing hardship. Items are needed for all ages, especially for pre-teens, teens and adults.

Suggested Items for Pre-Teens, Teens & Adults:

- Hygiene Products (body washes, shampoos, lotions, deodorant)
- Grooming/Shaving Kits
- Beauty Supplies (make-up, perfumes/colognes, hair supplies, nail kits)
- Craft Kits (art supplies, jewelry making, sewing kits, STEM kits)
- Stress Relief Activity Kits (adult coloring books, paint-by-number sets)
- Board Games/Puzzles •Blankets
- Winter Wear •Socks

Suggested Food List:

- Broth/Soup •Canned Sweet Potatoes
 - Canned Cranberries •Dry Stuffing Mix •Dehydrated Potatoes
 - Jell-O/Pudding •Cake/Frosting Mixes •Pie Filling/Crust Mixes
 - Pasta Sauce •Pasta/Noodles/Rice •Marshmallows •Side Dishes
- Gift Cards to local grocery stores are always appreciated!

Suggested Toys:

- Action Figures •Barbie's & Accessories
- Board Games •Cars/Trucks •LEGOS •Play Food
- Sports Equipment •Stuffed Animals

GIVING TUESDAY
#OrlandTownshipGives



Amazon Digital Toy Drive

Wishing to help Orland Township make the lives of local families a little brighter this season, but just don't have the time? There's another option to support the Holiday Program.

From Wednesday, Nov. 9 to Friday, Dec. 9, residents may shop Amazon to direct gift items straight to Orland Township for the Holiday Program.

All gifts purchased through the online wish list will be delivered to the Township and distributed to remaining program families in need.

The Township has assembled an easy-to-shop list; please visit orlandtownship.org/holiday for more information.



Holiday Letters to Elders

As part of the annual Holiday Program, which provides holiday meals, gifts and other personal items to more than 200 local families who experience financial difficulties, Orland Township is sponsoring Holiday Letters to Elders this season.



"As the holiday season continues, it's important to remember that love and affection are among the most valuable gifts you can give," said Supervisor Paul O'Grady. "The Holiday Letters to Elders program, which is based wholly on the efforts of student volunteers, will showcase those traits by providing hand-written holiday cards to senior residents living in Orland Township."

Students in grades 6 through 12 are highly encouraged to participate in the program. Supervisor O'Grady noted that Orland Township provides services to well over 2,100 seniors each year and that opportunities to participate in this program therefore are plentiful. The Township will offer one service hour for every five letters completed, with a limit of three hours per volunteer. Letters MUST be written at Orland Township to keep track with mailing.

Starting Nov. 9, volunteers are welcome to visit Orland Township, located at 14807 S. Ravinia Ave. in Orland Park, during regular office hours, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The last day to participate is Friday, Dec. 9.

Merry Paws-mas

"Crashy's Closet," Orland Township's Pet Pantry, is named for a beloved rescue cat adopted by Supervisor O'Grady and his family. It aims to provide food and supplies for pets whose families are experiencing financial difficulty.

Crashy's Closet relies on the generosity of the community and welcomes donations of NEW dog and cat food, kitty litter, pet treats, pet shampoo, toys, collars, leashes, and other miscellaneous pet-related items year-round.

This Holiday season, support local families in need of assistance for their animal companions through Merry PAWS-mas. We encourage you to consider donating dog food, cat food and/or litter for the Orland Township Pet Pantry from Thursday, Dec. 1 through Friday, Dec. 16.

Bring your four-legged canine friend to the Township office and receive a special treat for your support!



Orland Township 2022 Holiday Program

Orland Township's 2022 Holiday Program is designed to provide food, new toys and new clothes to families in need in Orland Township. Here is how you can help make a difference. Donations of non-perishable food (please check expiration dates on all food items donated), food certificates, gift cards, new clothes and new toys are needed. Monetary donations are always welcome, too.

Donations for the 2022 Holiday Program will be accepted at the Orland Township Office, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave., during regular office hours, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Additional Holiday Donation Hours

Monday, Nov. 28	5pm-7pm
Tuesday, Nov. 29	5pm-7pm
Wednesday, Nov. 30	5pm-7pm
Thursday, Dec. 1	5pm-7pm

For further information,
please call (708) 403-4222.

Suggested Food List:

- Broth
- Canned Sweet Potatoes
- Canned Cranberries
- Potatoes/Dehydrated Potatoes
- Dry Stuffing Mix
- Canned Olives/Pickles
- Jell-O/Pudding
- Cake/Frosting Mix
- Pie Filling/Crust Mix
- Food Certificates for Meat, Poultry & Perishables

Other Staples

- Canned Stew/Chili Dinners
- Pasta Sauces
- Pasta/Noodles/Rice
- Boxed Pasta Noodle Dinners
- Dry/Hot Cereals
- Apple Sauce
- Juice Drinks
- Peanut Butter/Jelly
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Tuna
- Candy Canes
- Marshmallows
- Baby Food

Gift items for boys and girls ages 0-11:

- Action Figures
- Barbies & Barbie Accessories
- Blocks/Building Sets
- Board Games
- Coloring/Arts & Craft Sets
- Dolls & Doll Accessories
- Infant/Toddler Toys
- Learning/Interactive Toys
- LEGOS
- Miniature Car Sets
- Play Food
- Play-Doh
- Science Kits
- Sports Equipment
- Stuffed Animals
- Trucks/Trains/Boats

Gift items for boys and girls ages 12-17:

- Arts & Craft/Science Kits
- Beauty Supplies
- Board Games
- Books
- Candles
- Coloring Books (Stress Relieving)
- Hair Supplies
- Hats/Winter Apparel
- Headphones
- Hygiene Products
- Jewelry
- Shaving Supplies
- Slippers
- Socks
- Sports/Exercise Equipment
- Sports Team Apparel
- Sports Water Bottles
- Throw Blankets



OR be creative!

Additional Ways to Give



Adopt-a-Family Program

Starting Nov. 1, community members can sign up to participate in the Adopt-A-Family Program. The Adopt-A-Family Program is designed to enhance the holiday season for a less fortunate family in Orland Township by providing them with new toys & clothing. Whether you choose a small or large family, Orland Township is certain you will make this holiday season brighter. This is a popular idea among work, church, school and social groups!

Giving Tree

Along with our Holiday Program, Orland Township has a Giving Tree to help children and teens in need. The Giving Tree helps ensure that no child or teen is forgotten during this holiday season.

Starting Nov. 1, you can come in and choose a tag off of the tree. The gift tags will have the age, sex, and desired toy or clothing item for each child. All tags and gifts must be returned to Orland Township, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave., Orland Park, by Friday, December 2.

If you would like to participate in one of these programs, or need additional information, please contact Orland Township at (708) 403-4222.



Holiday Program Applications Available for those in Need



Planning for a happy holiday for your family is challenging if you're experiencing a financial hardship. If you are in need of holiday gifts for your children and need help in feeding your family a holiday meal, Orland Township can help.

Holiday Program applications are now available on select dates. Eligibility for the program is based on income guidelines. To apply for the 2022 Holiday Program, residents must complete a brief application and provide proof of residency for all adults (driver's license or secretary of state ID), verification of children (birth certificate or school verification) and proof of income.

Applications are available on select dates. See page 13 for information.

ON BEHALF OF SUPERVISOR PAUL O'GRADY AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

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-Trustee-

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-Clerk-

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Additional copies are available
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For more information on Township programs and
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www.orlandtownship.org