

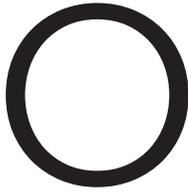
Village of Libertyville



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2014 ANNUAL REPORT





On behalf of the Village Board and Staff, we are pleased to share with you the Village of Libertyville 2014 Annual Report. This report and the information contained herein highlight an ongoing commitment by the Mayor, Village Board and Staff to provide quality services and programs in accordance with the Village Mission Statement, while maintaining a fiscally responsible balanced budget. This past year the Village received its 18th Annual Distinguished Budget Presentation Award and 20th Annual Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting, both from the Government Finance Officers Association.

While the Village continues to recover from the recent economic recession, many goals have been accomplished. During the past year the Village:

- continued implementation of an aggressive road/water/sewer capital improvement program
- extended a contract with First Energy Solutions for two additional years for the electric aggregation program, which continues to save residents and small businesses electric supply costs (during the first 17 months of the program, participating Libertyville households and small businesses have saved an average of \$418 per year in electric supply costs, for a cumulative Village-wide savings of \$2.5 million)
- expanded the garbage franchise with Groot Industries to include commercial customers and which will save local businesses money, limit cost increases each year, and increase recycling options
- continued an aggressive Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) removal program, while continuing to offer a 50/50 cost-sharing tree replanting program
- continued work on downtown parking improvements with the resurfacing of the American Legion parking lot on the north side of Lake Street and hired Walker Parking Consultants to begin design work on a second parking structure.

The local Libertyville economy saw a great deal of development activity. The Village is in the process of selling the Bolander property on Winchester Road, and the developer/purchaser is proposing a townhome development. A Trader Joe's store opened in February 2014, and both Jewel/Osco and Sunset Foods completed major exterior and interior remodeling. BECO of Washington, D.C. acquired the former Motorola property in July, and plans on investing approximately \$50 million in the property.

Mickey Finn's relocated to a new and larger facility in the downtown. Also the Manchester Square property (at the SW corner of Milwaukee Avenue and Lake Street) was purchased by Cedar Street development of Chicago, who is working with the Village on completing high-end apartments on the second and third floors of the building. The Village continued beautification efforts for area businesses, including the second phase of the Peterson Road Streetscape, repainting of downtown decorative street lights and landscape fencing, and ordering new "Shop Libertyville" and business sponsorship banners along Milwaukee Avenue. We are also very proud of the fact

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that the Village Recreation and Sports Complex Department won 6 Daily Herald Newspaper "Readers Choice Awards" during the past year. The Village continues to promote local businesses through the "Shop Local" and "Shop 60048" programs. For every \$1 spent, \$.68 supports the community. Finally, the Villages continued to utilize Facebook, Twitter, E-News, the Village's website and Village Newsletter to promote information about the Village and communicate with Village residents and businesses.

In closing, we hope that the Mayor, Village Board and Staff have met your expectations this past year. It is our privilege to serve you, and together we can continue to make Libertyville an even better place to live, work, shop and play.

Terry Weppler

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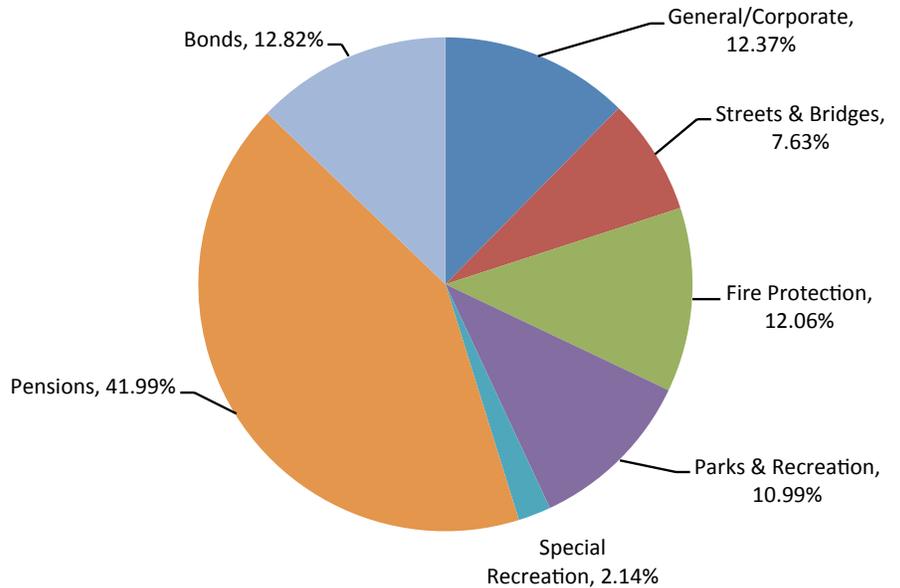
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The Village's Tax Levy

The tax levy is the amount of money the Village and other taxing bodies, such as school and library districts, project they will need from property taxes to help fund their operations. The Village's tax levy represents just 13 percent of the total revenues raised by the Village to fund its operations.

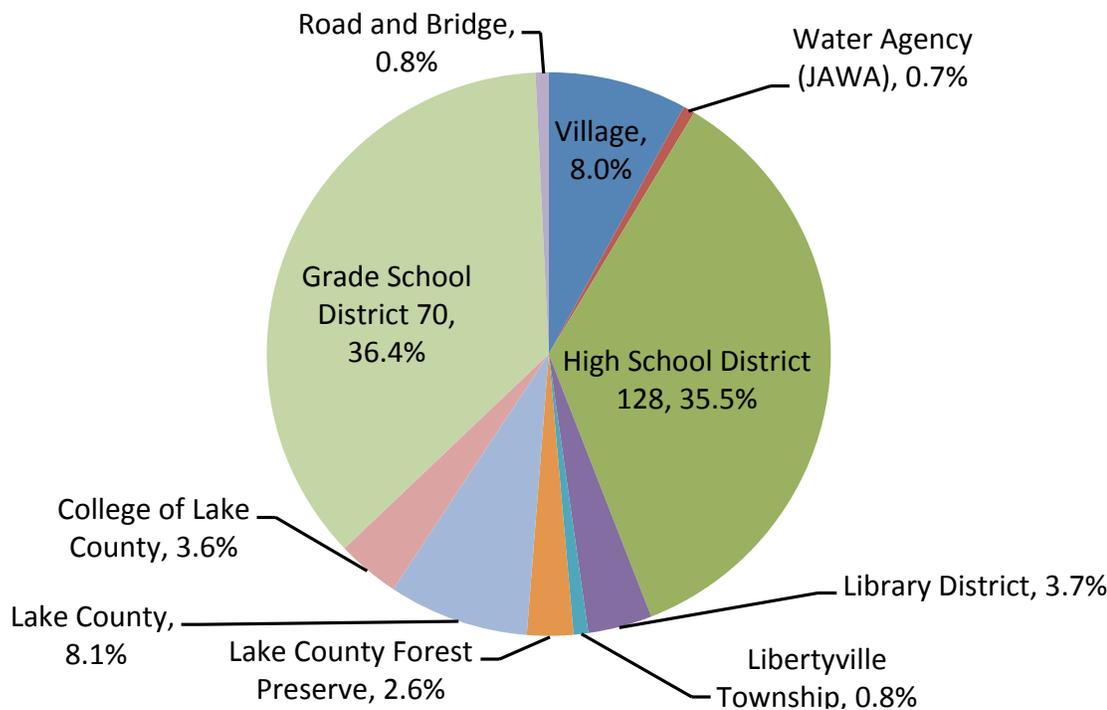
The Village's 2013 tax levy for taxes paid in 2014 was \$6,834,245. This was an increase of 10.71 percent over the extended 2012 property tax levy paid in 2013 of \$6,173,380, however the road bonds approved by a recent referendum accounted for approximately 9% of this increase.

This pie chart shows how the Village uses these property tax dollars.



All sources of the Village's budgeted income are illustrated on the chart on page 5.

How Your Property Taxes Are Apportioned



In 2014, the Village's share of local property taxes was only 8 percent. The chart to the right illustrates, by percentage, how all property tax dollars were distributed among taxing bodies, including three school districts, the county, forest preserve, water agency, township, and library districts.

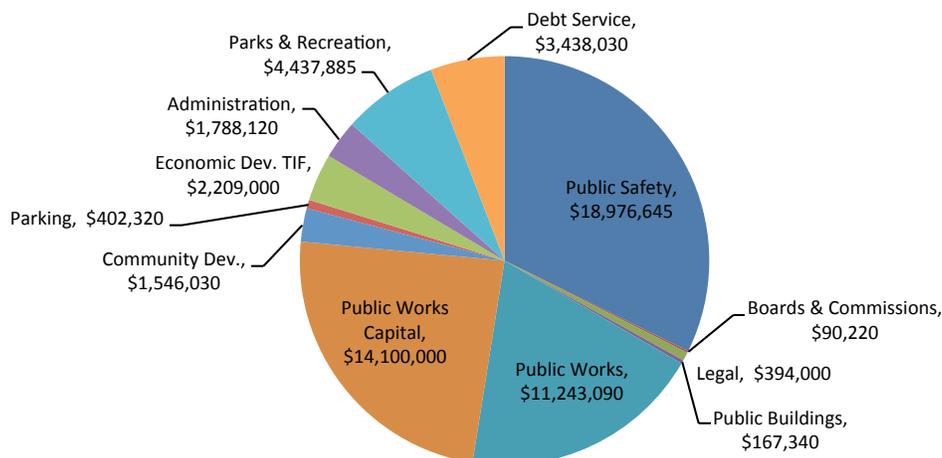
How Village Taxes Compare with Those in Other Communities

The Village property tax rate for taxes paid in 2014 was .655. This means that an owner of a \$400,000 home paid \$873 in Village taxes. The table below shows the amount of taxes that were paid for a \$400,000 home in twelve Lake County communities. As the table illustrates, many communities have separate taxing districts for fire and/or park and recreations services. In Libertyville, both fire and park services are provided by Village departments, not separate taxing bodies. Libertyville continues to have one of the lowest taxes in Lake County.

Property Tax Paid On a \$400,000 Home for Village Provided Services

Community	Village	Fire	Park/Rec. Dist. Taxes	Total Taxes Paid	Amount > Libertyville	Total Tax Rate for Community
Mundelein	\$2,097		\$656	\$2,753	\$1,880	2.065
Grayslake	864	1,092	725	2,681	1,808	2.011
Deerfield	1,045	849	780	2,675	1,801	2.006
Buffalo Grove	1,311	-	716	2,027	1,153	1.520
Highland Park	1,047	-	663	1,709	836	1.282
Lake Forest	1,664	-	-	1,664	791	1.248
Lake Bluff	1,001	-	641	1,642	769	1.232
Antioch	1,436	-	-	1,436	563	1.077
Vernon Hills	-	796	593	1,389	516	1.042
Lincolnshire	321	1,048	-	1,369	496	1.027
Libertyville	\$873		-	\$873	-	0.655
Gurnee			685	685	(188)	0.514

How Village Funds Are Spent

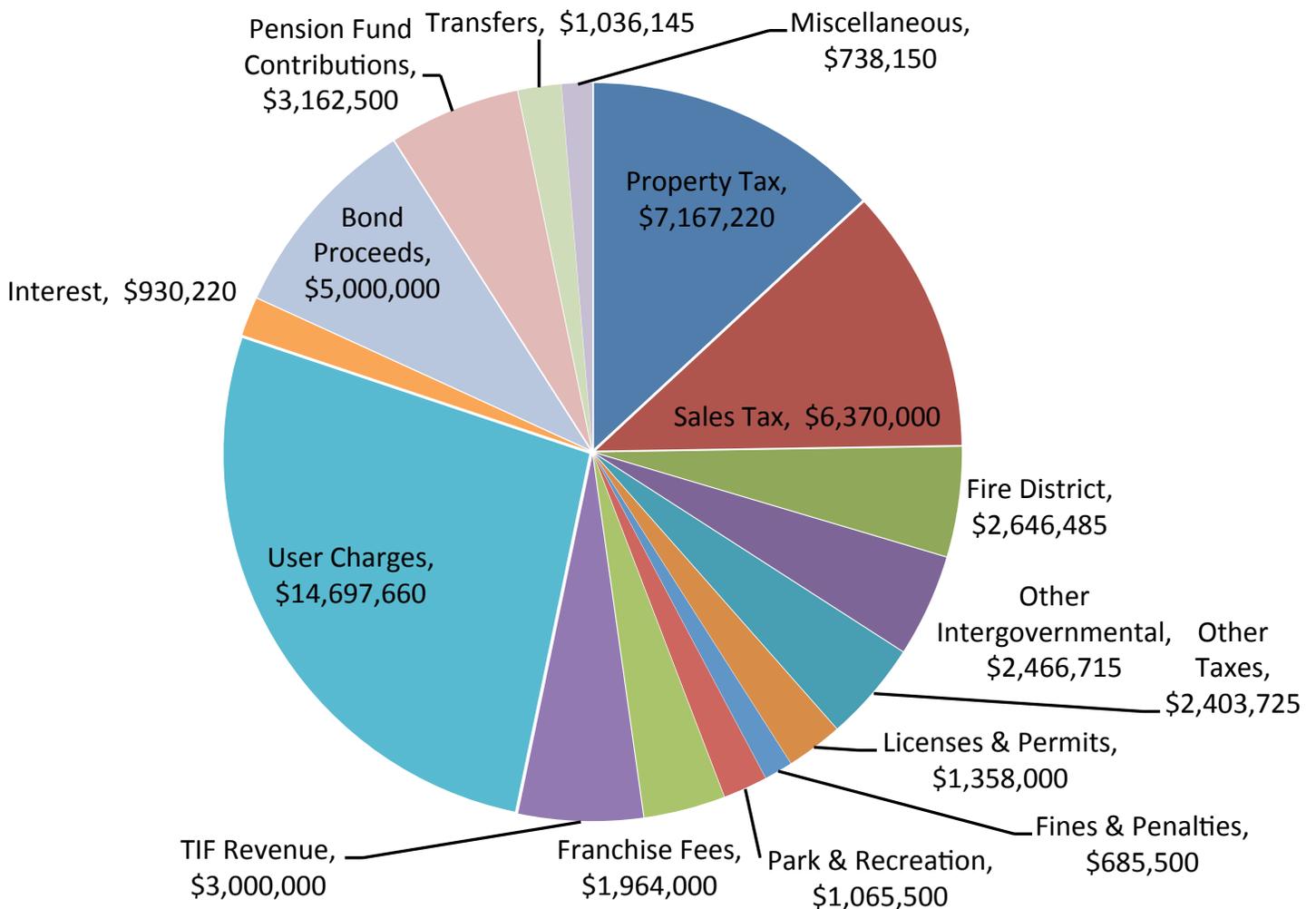


Budgeted expenditures in 2014 from all funds are estimated at \$59.3 million. The budget includes total capital expenditures of \$14.1 million. Of that, approximately \$8.0 million are allocated for road improvements and \$5 million of that is funded with a road bond that was issued with referendum approval. Other capital projects include: \$4.8 million in water main, sanitary sewer and wastewater treatment improvements; \$105,000 for Tax Increment Fund (TIF) improvements; \$126,800 for park improvements; and \$30,000 for building improvements.

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All Sources of Income to the Village in 2014

In 2014, only 13 percent of the Village's income was raised through property taxes. The balance of the revenue for Village services came from a variety of sources which are illustrated on the chart to the right. Because of the Village's long-standing efforts to provide a balanced mix of residential, commercial, office and industrial land uses, Libertyville has a diversified tax base. This lessens the financial burden on individual property owners. Total budgeted revenues for 2014 were \$54,691,820. ■



POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Next Generation

Summer 2013, the Police Department faced a significant staffing challenge when five retirements were announced, all intending to retire within 1 month of each other. Five vacant positions equates to roughly 20% of the Patrol Division staffing. These retirements not only created a need to fill vacant positions, but also created an opportunity for advancement as several officers were promoted to new ranks or moved into specialty job assignments.

With the direction and support of the Village Board, the Fire and Police Commission and Department staff completed a recruitment process and posted a new eligibility roster within 8 weeks, a process that normally takes at least double that time frame.

In the Spring of 2014 the Village hired five new Police Officers. For the first time in years, the Department was at full staff. As the new Officers returned from the Police Academy, the Department faced another significant challenge – training 5 new police officers at one time, all in varying stages of field training, in order to prepare them to work on their own. The Department's Field Training Unit went into overdrive, working

to ensure that the new officers received appropriate training throughout 12 weeks of field training. The Department's Field Training Officers did an outstanding job of providing thorough and relevant instruction, while preparing the "rookies" for solo patrol.

Through the dedication and hard work of the Training Team and the new Officers, all have successfully completed the field training program and are currently assigned to a patrol shift. They continue to

learn and refine their skills, as they remain on probation for 1 year after completing field training. Throughout this time frame their progress is constantly monitored to ensure they meet or exceed our expectations and attain certain milestones along the way.

Traffic Enforcement Grants



For the last several years, the Police Department has applied for and been awarded grant funding to help combat and address impaired drivers, occupant restraint (seat belts and child safety seats), and distracted driving (use of cell phones or texting while driving). In 2014, due to successful participation in prior years, the Department was awarded yet another grant. The grant funding is used specifically during designated enforcement "campaigns" throughout the year, mainly focused around major holidays and social events (Super Bowl, St. Patrick's Day, and Halloween). Officers are

hired back using grant funds and assigned to specific traffic enforcement details where they focus on impaired driving offenses, seat belt violations, and violations associated with distracted driving. These enforcement efforts often result in the

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identification of a myriad of other violations, often committed by repeat offenders.

In 2014, department DUI arrests increased by more than 50% over 2013, with many of the arrests made by officers working on grant-funded time. These traffic stops also frequently resulted in additional alcohol and narcotics violations but, more importantly, impaired drivers were removed from the roadway before they caused harm to themselves or other innocent people.

The grant and increased enforcement activity also had another unanticipated effect on the Department. By participating in the grant and reporting our efforts and results, the Department became eligible for an equipment grant. In 2014 the Department was awarded a LIDAR (Laser Radar) valued at over \$3,000 to be used by our Officers to conduct speed enforcement. This equipment grant was able to save the Department and Village funds due to this award.

Local Ordinance Citations

2014 saw the first full year of implementation of our Local Ordinance Citation program. Developed in late 2013, this program allows officers to "cite and release" offenders for low level offenses on scene in lieu of making custodial arrests. The violations that officers cite are those that typically result in only a fine when assigned to the Circuit Court, ranging from public

intoxication to minor nuisance-type offenses. The process reduces the amount of time officers spend processing an offender from hours to minutes, reduces court attendance and related costs, and allows officers to resume patrol responsibilities in a much shorter time frame than previously required. Offenders have the option to pay a fine to resolve the matter, or request a hearing through our Administrative Adjudication program if they wish to contest the citation.

Another benefit of the program is that first time juvenile offenders, who are charged with minor offenses such as curfew or minor alcohol related offenses, can be sent to an Administrative Adjudication Hearing. Instead of being subjected to the criminal court process which might result in a criminal record, first time offenders have the opportunity to resolve the violation through a combination of community service, counseling services and/or a fine.

NARCAN

There are about 50-60 heroin-related deaths in Lake County on an annual basis, and unfortunately 3 of these occurred in Libertyville over the last 4 years. To help address this issue, in 2014, the Department joined the Lake County Heroin Task Force. The goal of the Task Force is to combat heroin and other opiate drug overdoses in Lake County by significantly improving awareness and education on the topic, while

In 2014, the Department issued 164 Local Ordinance Citations of which 78 were first time juvenile offenders. Generally speaking, this program is very well received by parents and their first time offenders, as well as our Police Officers.

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striving to reduce the number of deaths associated with these drugs.

Part of this initiative was the development of the Naloxone, or NARCAN program. Working with existing legislation, the Task Force partnered with the Lake County Health Department to mirror an existing program in DuPage County. As such, Lake County will become the second county in the state to offer such a program.

The program is designed to train and equip police officers to administer Naloxone (also known as NARCAN) to counter the effects of the drug overdose. Due to the mobile nature of their job, police officers are frequently able to be on scene of medical calls (including overdoses) before paramedics can arrive. When appropriate, officers will use an epipen-type device to administer the NARCAN when seconds can make the difference between life and death.

In the fall of 2014, the program was launched by the Task Force. Four members of the Department are certified instructors, and the remainder of the Department is now trained and equipped with this life-saving medication. The

Department is very excited to be a part of this cutting edge program and look forward to having an impact on tragedies related to the use of heroin in our community.

Facebook Page

In order to enhance the Department's ability to effectively provide information to the community, in 2014 the Department launched its first Facebook page. This page is used to provide community alerts, as well as information on current events, press releases, active investigations, important weather information, school closings, and various enforcement activities. During one incident involving a missing person, over 42,000 people were reached using the Department's Facebook page. ■



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FIRE DEPARTMENT

Say goodbye to the phrase

“If only we could
have done more”

In 1966, a report titled: “Accidental Death and Disability – The Neglected Disease of Modern Society” was presented to then President Lyndon B. Johnson. The report revealed that in 1965 alone, vehicle accidents killed more Americans than were lost in the Korean War. This report evaluated prehospital emergency care in the United States and identified the fact that “if seriously wounded... chances of survival would be better in the zone of combat than on the average city street.” The report identified a lack of regulation and standards for ambulance operations and provider training in the United States. This report made several recommendations for the prevention and management of accidental injuries including the standardization of “emergency training” for rescue squad personnel. In 1969, the first nationally recognized curriculum for EMS was published. “Many consider this document the birth of modern EMS.”

Fast forward a few years to a small town in northeast Illinois called Libertyville. It was 1972 when then Libertyville worked with Condell Memorial Hospital to start a Paramedic program in Lake County.

The passion which drove the Libertyville Fire Department to start a paramedic program in 1973 came from the following statement too



often echoed by the Libertyville Firemen after emergencies; “If only we could have done more.” Today, as new Chiefs and new Lieutenants practice Prehospital Emergency Medicine, these words “what more can we do” are echoed in meetings and on the streets. Emergency Medical Services has changed drastically since 1969 because of firemen, nurses, doctors, and elected officials trying to do more.

In 2013, at an Advocate-Condell Fire Chief Steering committee meeting in an effort to do more, a recommendation to allow paramedics to use tourniquets and quick clot bandaging in the field was recommended to the EMS system. This recommendation was taken to the Region level and then ultimately approved by the Illinois Department of Public Health for use in the Advocate Condell EMS System.

On May 19, 2014 during a Paramedic Continuing Education class, Paramedics were being taught how to use the new tourniquets and quick clot dressings. During the training, Paramedics were called to an industrial accident where a person had suffered a large spiral laceration to their arm. The laceration was so severe and deep that the radial artery was severed bleeding profusely. Having just received training on the use of Combat Application

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David Popp FF/PM, Assistant Chief Ken Komers, SGT Jonathon Alberti; US Army, Chief Rich Carani, Mike Weaver FF/PM and SSG Jay Vinas; being recognized for their outstanding support to the Waukegan Recruiting Center for future Jr. Warriors.



Tourniquets, Paramedics assessed the patient and immediately applied the tourniquet to stop the blood loss from the injured arm. Having the luxury of a Level One Trauma Center in Libertyville, Paramedics were met by a Trauma Team including a Trauma Surgeon upon arrival at the hospital. The Trauma Surgeon recognizing the seriousness of the injury and stated that the "use of the tourniquet is what saved this mans life."

Paramedics were nominated for recognition of their actions through the Lake Forest Hospital "Cut Above" award, which recognizes exemplary efforts of local first responders. Paramedicine has come a long way and the push to keep evolving is always felt. We acknowledge Tom Garvin and all those who helped with the foresight and drive to bring a Paramedic program to Libertyville. ■

A Year of Public Service

In 2014, there were

- 33,718 police calls for service
- 125 DUI arrests
- 3,983 fire and ambulance calls
- 1,038 fire safety inspections
- 156 car seats installed correctly





Accredited Again

In June 30, 2014, the Public Works Department was reaccredited for a second time through the American Public Works Association (APWA). The department was initially accredited in June 2005 and reaccredited in June 2009. The Village was the 24th public works agency to be accredited in the United States. There are a total of 97 accredited agencies in the U.S. and Canada.

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Accreditation is a commitment to continuous improvement in the delivery of public works operations and services. It provides the following:

- A "real time" measurement of how the Department is doing
- A clear path for improving processes
- Written policies providing consistent direction and procedures to employees
- Reports that summarize information for use in budgeting or in responding to citizens' requests
- Eliminates redundancy and duplicate efforts

Village staff schedules with APWA months in advance to plan the visit from the evaluation team. The evaluation team is made up of one APWA staff member and two public works practitioners. Two of the evaluators for the Village were the Directors of Public Works for Columbia, Missouri and Prince William County, Virginia.

The evaluation process for reaccreditation took place over three days while the evaluators reviewed the department's management practices. They required proper documentation and determined that the department was fully compliant on all management practices. The evaluators selected two of the Departments' practices as "models" to be used in their guide for other agencies. ■



Shop Smart - Stay Local!

For every \$100 spent in Libertyville, up to \$68 stays here and supports the community and economy (*Civic Economics 2008 study*).

- When you shop local, you support local unique businesses.
- These businesses offer jobs to the community.
- The sales taxes they collect support local Village services.
- Businesses sponsor community organizations & sports teams.

Use our Business Directory: www.libertyville.com/business

Emerald Ash Borer



Trees have always been considered an asset to the Village. The Village celebrated its twentieth year of receiving the Arbor Foundation Tree City Award.

In 2010, Village staff discovered the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) on a parkway tree in the Village. This discovery was reported to the State of Illinois and verified by them as is Protocol. The staff has worked with elected officials and the Parks & Recreation Committee to develop an EAB plan that include treatments, tree removal of infested trees, contractual stump grinding and restorations and planting of new trees.

With the discovery of the EAB in the Village of Libertyville, Village Board of Trustees amended two Village ordinances that will assist in the removal of EAB infested trees.

- Starting in 2012, the Village began treatments to EAB Ash Trees in an effort to preserve some trees and slow down the progression of damage and infestation in other trees. Since this time approximately 2400 treatments have been made. The treatments have had varying degrees of success and staff continues to monitor the results of these treatments.

Changes to the treatment protocol are made based on these observations.

- Since the Village discovered the EAB, staff has increased efforts for tree removal of the infested trees. In the 2011-12 Fiscal Year (FY), the Village removed 28 EAB infested trees, in FY 2012-13 they removed 250 EAB infested trees, in FY 2013-14 300 EAB trees were removed and in FY 2014-15 the Village will remove approximately 460 EAB infested trees. A total of 1038 trees have been removed.

- The Village has offered a 50/50 tree replacement program to residents that have had a tree removed in the parkway due to EAB infestation. Village staff contracts with a tree nursery to offer a variety of trees to residents to be planted in the parkway. The resident pays 50% of the cost of the tree and the Village pays the remaining 50%. Approximately 450 trees have been planted in the parkway through this program since 2012.

The Village plans to continue to treat and remove EAB infested trees and offer the 50/50 tree planting replacement program. More information on the EAB infested trees is available on the Village website at www.libertyville.com/EAB. ■

Village of Libertyville Ordinance 11-O-58: The Ordinance amends Chapter 15, Sections 15-26 to 15-33 of the Municipal Code Regulating Nuisances. The Section name was changed from "Dutch Elm Disease" to "Dead, Diseased or Nuisance Vegetation." This Section previously covered species and varieties of Elm trees infested with what's commonly known as "Dutch Elm Disease" and Chestnut Trees infested with what's commonly known as "Chestnut Blight Fungus". This Section now covers all species and varieties of Ash trees infested with the Emerald Ash Borer These sections regulate the removal of infested trees, on private and public property.

Village of Libertyville Ordinance 11-O-59: This Ordinance amends Chapter 9, Section 9-77 of the Municipal Code Regulating Replacement Trees. The Ash tree was taken off of the "desirable" replacement tree list and added to the "undesirable" replacement tree list.

ENJOYING VILLAGE AMENITIES



LIBERTYVILLE SPORTS COMPLEX

It Keeps Getting Better

The Libertyville Sports Complex was built in 2002 and is owned by the Village. The facility is operated by the Libertyville Sports Complex and Recreation Department and is responsible for the programming, events and activities that take place at the parks, facilities, buildings and grounds within the Village.

The Libertyville Sports Complex (LSC) and Recreation Department received high praise from thousands of voters in the 2014 Daily Herald "Readers' Choice Award" balloting receiving a "Top Pick" Award as the "Best Park District-Department" in the Chicagoland area. The LSC-Recreation Department also received five (5) other Daily Herald "Top Pick" Awards. The Fitness Center received "Best Fitness Club", the LSC Yoga Classes received "Best Yoga Classes", Libertyville Sports Complex & Recreation programming received "Best Family Value" and the Recreation Department Dance Ensemble Program received "Best Dance Classes" for kids. And for the 3rd year in a row, the Golf Driving Range was voted "Best Driving Range in Chicagoland".

The LSC has gained the reputation as the 'home' for youth basketball tournaments, attracting local, area, and regional tournaments to Libertyville. Over 35 youth basketball tournaments took place at the LSC in 2014 attracting over 200,000 players, parents and visitors.

LSC indoor facilities were rented by sports teams, leagues and players of soccer, lacrosse, basketball, football, flag football, baseball, volleyball, kickball, cricket, field hockey, floor hockey, pickleball and other sports.

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SPORTS
COMPLEX



Best Driving Range 2012, 2013, 2014

Best Fitness Center 2014

Best Yoga Classes 2014

Best Dance Studio for Kids 2014

Best Parks & Recreation Department 2014

Best Family Value 2014

IT KEEPS GETTING BETTER.



The Libertyville Sports Complex attracted over 750,000 people in 2014.

LIBERTYVILLE SPORTS COMPLEX



The Fitness Center at the Libertyville Sports Complex improved its facilities in 2014, with the upgrading of new fitness equipment. The Fitness Center now has over 1,400 members.

The LSC continued its Special Events that have become Annual Events including the HalloweenFest for Kids in October, the "Free Throw Challenge" contest January-March, the Kids Triathlon in May and the Chicago Blackhawks TV Roadwatch Party in April.

Besides the Blackhawks, Chicago's other professional sports teams continue to have involvement with the LSC as the Chicago Bulls, Chicago White Sox, Chicago Bears and Chicago Red Stars women soccer conducted their Summer Sports Camps at the LSC in 2014.

The LSC indoor facility continued to be a popular selection for many Corporate Events including sales meetings, team-building, banquets, indoor picnics for employee and Holiday Parties.

In 2014, the Libertyville Fitness Center has over 1,400 members.

The LSC was also the first choice for Family Parties such as birthday parties, Bar/Bat Mitzvahs, Reunions and other family celebrations. Schools and charitable organizations rented LSC indoor facilities for many fundraisers, field trips and cause-related events. The LSC was the home to a variety of Private Events including Dog Agility Shows, Trade Shows & Expos, and a 3-Day Sports Festival (which selected the LSC-Chicago area over Atlanta & Toronto).

Recreation Special Events such as the Daddy-Daughter Dance, Lunch With The Bunny, Mother-Son Campfire Cookout, and Breakfast with Santa were all sellouts in 2014. The Senior Center operations at the Libertyville Civic Center continued to offer quality programming for Senior Citizens in the Libertyville area.

The LSC-Recreation Department continues to offer and operate a wide range of programming. The multi-purpose facilities enable sports, events, entertainment and recreation programming for Libertyville residents, as well as visitors to the Village. ■



ADULT SOFTBALL:

over 80 teams with 900 players

SWIMMING POOL:

approximately 32,900 visitors
at Adler & Riverside Pool

SUMMER DAY CAMP:

2,000 children enjoyed our
Summer Day Camp offerings

PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAMS:

with over 400 youngsters

ADULT INDOOR SOCCER LEAGUES:

62 teams with over 700 players

YOUTH INDOOR SOCCER LEAGUES:

84 teams with over 1,200 players

ADULT BASKETBALL:

50 teams with over 500 players

YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUES:

70 teams with over 700 players

FLAG FOOTBALL LEAGUES:

8 teams with over 100 players

CO-ED KICKBALL LEAGUES:

11 teams with over 220 players

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Getting Better Everyday

- In response to the desires of the business community, the Village continues to seek ways to beautify commercial corridors. In the spring, the Village will complete phase three of a multi-year effort to add landscape improvements along Peterson Road. Though the roadway is under IDOT jurisdiction, the Village will invest funds within the right-of-way to add green features, including trees, shrubs and plants. This phase will focus on the blocks immediately west of Milwaukee Avenue.

- Construction and new business openings remain active throughout Libertyville. The long awaited *Trader Joe's* opened in January 2014. Other local grocers, *Jewel* and *Sunset Foods* also made investments, adding new amenities and improvements.

Cedar Street Development Corp. purchased the three-story structure at Lake Street & Milwaukee and has received approvals to add high-end apartments above the existing restaurants. The project has been renamed The Manchester. BECO also acquired the former Motorola campus and has announced plans for its conversion to Innovation Park - Lake County, a highly-amenitized corporate

office complex. Construction is underway at BridgePoint94, a two-building speculative manufacturing project located on East Park Avenue, just west of the DesPlaines River. This project will bring new industry to the site which was once home to Frank G. Hough Co.

- The Village formed a Historic Preservation Committee charged with analyzing the Village's historic structures and identifying ways to preserve our built history.

- The Village was announced as a recipient of an \$80,000 grant by the Regional Transit Agency (RTA) to study the area within a half mile of the downtown Libertyville Metra



Mayor Terry Weppler (third from the left) attended the BridgePoint94 groundbreaking ceremony.

station to create a Transit Oriented Development Plan. The goal is to create a plan that guides future development at and surrounding the train station to ensure future growth aligns with community vision. The Village will contribute \$20,000 towards the planning effort. ■



Trustee Cullum cuts the ribbon to open Trader Joe's for business.



SUSTAINABILITY IN ACTION



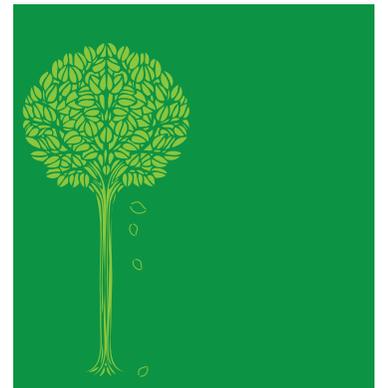
Lighting the Way to Energy Savings

The Village has taken an active approach to greening the community by installing the latest technology in energy-efficient florescent lighting within public buildings. Installations occurred at the downtown parking garage, Village Hall, Civic Center, and Schertz Municipal Building. The improvements were paid for from over \$80,000 in grants offered through the Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity and the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation. The Village's portion of the expenditure will be paid back through energy savings within 2 years. ■

The Green Living Fair

The Lake County Green Congregations group is a local volunteer group dedicated to bringing awareness and education to the community on environmental issues. Each year the group holds a Green Living Fair at the Libertyville Civic Center run entirely by volunteers. Each year attendance and interest has grown. The Village thanks the group for providing such a valuable and beneficial educational event each year. ■

Note: The 2015 Green Living Fair will be March 14th from 10:00am-2pm at the Civic Center.



LIBERTYVILLE GARDENS

The Libertyville Gardens is a community garden located at The Chapel in Libertyville. The garden is open for seasonal rent to all residents in the area and is coordinated by the Village of Libertyville, The Chapel, and the Gardeners of Central Lake County (GCLC). In 2014, the garden grew to over an acre in size and was home to 118 garden plots. Offering two plot



sizes--10'x20' and 20'x20'--gardeners are free to grow the fruits, vegetables, and flowers of their choice. Though gardeners may keep their harvest, they are encouraged to donate excess fruits and vegetables to families in need through The Chapel. This year Libertyville Gardens was recognized by the Lake County Municipal League as an honoree for the 2014 Innovation Award. ■

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