



Keeping residents up to speed with the latest Village news

2010 Census Information for the Village of Oak Lawn

2010 Population:	56,690
2000 Population:	55,245
Population Change:	1,445
% Population Change:	2.62%
White:	48,279
African American:	2,946
Hispanic, Latino:	8,108
Asian:	1,234
American Indian:	139
Other:	3,009
White Non-Hispanic:	43,680
African American, Non-Hispanic:	2,893
Asian, Non-Hispanic:	1,207
2010: % White:	85.16%
2000: % White:	93.35%
2010: % Black:	5.20%
2000: % Black:	1.22%
2010: % American Indian:	0.25%
2000: % American Indian:	0.17%
2010: % Asian:	2.18%
2000: % Asian:	1.73%
2010: % Hispanic:	14.30%
2000: % Hispanic:	5.33%
2010: % Non-Hispanic:	85.70%
2000: % Non-Hispanic:	94.67%
2010: % White, Non-Hispanic:	77.05%
2000: % White, Non-Hispanic:	89.94%

ELECTION & VOTING INFORMATION

What: Candidates' Forum for Trustees
District 1, District 3 and District 5
When: Wednesday, March 2, 2011 @ 7:00 p.m.
Where: Harold L. Richards High School: Little Theatre
Why: Hear the candidates address questions and issues.
Tickets: No cost to attend.
Who: Open to the public.
Sponsored by: The Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce



What: **Voting Information for the April 5, 2011 Election**
Absentee Ballots: February 24, 2011: 1st day of absentee ballot applications are accepted by the County Clerk.
Register to Vote: March 8, 2011: Last day to register to vote in the Oak Lawn Clerk's Office.
Early Voting: March 14, 2011 to March 31, 2011: Early Voting - Oak Lawn Clerk's Office, Monday through Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

VILLAGE MEETINGS & CONTACTS



What: **President and Board of Trustees Meetings**
When: March 8, 2011
Where: Village Hall, 2nd Floor, Auditorium
Cable TV: Replays at 9:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. & 1:30 a.m.

VILLAGE CONTACTS

Executive Offices:

Mayor's Office: (708) 499-7740
Assistant to the Mayor: (708) 499-7742
Village Manager's Office: (708) 499-7743
Village Clerk's Office: (708) 499-7738
Assistant to Village Manager & Village Clerk: (708) 499-7744

Village Trustees:

District 1: Jerry Hurckes (708) 346-7001
District 2: Alex Olejniczak (708) 346-7002
District 3: Robert Streit (708) 346-7003
District 4: Tom Duhig (708) 346-7004
District 5: Carol Quinlan (708) 346-7005
District 6: Tom Phelan (708) 346-7006

<u>Human Resources Department:</u>	(708) 499-7882
<u>Finance Department (Cashier):</u>	(708) 499-7777
<u>Community Services Department:</u>	(708) 423-3361
<u>Public Works Department:</u>	(708) 499-7750
<u>Building Department:</u>	(708) 499-7802
	(708) 499-7803
<u>Water Department:</u>	(708) 499-7747
<u>Water Department - Bills Inquiries:</u>	(708) 499-7762
<u>Engineering Department:</u>	(708) 499-7814
<u>Police Department (Non-Emergency):</u>	(708) 422-8292
<u>Animal Control Department:</u>	(708) 499-7720
<u>Health & Sanitation Inspector:</u>	(708) 499-7820
<u>Business Operations Department:</u>	(708) 499-7821
	(708) 499-7837
<u>Police Department: Administration</u>	(708) 499-7724
<u>Communications Department:</u>	(708) 499-7787
<u>Emergency Operations Department:</u>	(708) 636-5141
	(708) 636-5142
<u>Fire Department Non-Emergency:</u>	(708) 499-7700

RECYCLING NEWS



What:

OAK LAWN'S GREEN TEAM WANTS YOUR HELP

Why:

The Village of Oak Lawn's Green Team wants to help its residents learn, practice & participate in recycling events and programs. The Green Team provides such programs as: Electronic Waste Recycling Facility, Cell Phones for Soldiers, and Battery Recycling.

Questions:

Do you have questions about recycling? Would you like to join the Green Team? Would you like to volunteer? Please contact the Green Team at (708) 499-7750 or visit us at www.oaklawn-il.gov & www.Greenteam@oaklawn-il.gov

What:



CURBSIDE RECYCLING:

Acceptable Items:

Things you CAN recycle are...

Glass jars & bottles, Aluminum cans, foil, pie tins & Tin or steel cans, Cereal boxes, paper towel rolls, etc., Cardboard (Flatten all boxes), Telephone books & Junk mail, Plastic bottles & containers, Magazines & catalogs, Newspaper & inserts, Office paper & file folders, Paper Bags

For more information:

Visit us at www.oaklawn-il.gov or www.Earth911.com

or call us at (708) 636-4400.

- What:**  **CURBSIDE RECYCLING:**
- Unacceptable Items:** **Things you CAN'T recycle are...**
No Styrofoam, No electronics (Only @ the Oak Lawn E-Waste Facility), No Ceramics, No food waster, No plastic grocery bags, No motor oil containers, No Hazardous waste containers, No light bulbs, No window Glass or mirrors, No yard waste, No garbage.
- Location of yard waste:** Place bagged yard waste next to your carts for recycling.
- For more information:** Visit us at www.oaklawn-il.gov or www.Earth911.com or call us at (708) 636-4400.

- What:**  **COMED RECYCLING**
- Type of Recycling:** Let ComEd recycle your old, working Fridge, Freezer & Air Conditioner in an environmentally responsible way!
- Benefits of Recycling Your Refrigerator:** ComEd will haul away that old energy hog for free and give you \$35.00!
- Schedule pickup:** You can schedule your pick up online. Or you can call 1-888-806-2273, Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. or 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday.
- Please Note:** Offer is available to ComEd residential customers only.
- Qualifications:** Refrigerator or freezer must be between 10 and 30 cubic feet in size, empty & working at the time of pick-up, and accessible with a clear & safe path for removal.
- Important Note:** The removal team will not risk injury, remove personal effects or modify your home (e.g. remove doors or railings) to remove the unit(s).

- What:**  **Nicor Energy Efficiency Program Using Energy Wisely**
- Program:** The Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program is designed to offer ideas and tools to help Illinois residents and businesses in Nicor's territory to save energy & money.

Type of Programs and Phone Numbers: Low to Moderate Income Program, Elementary Energy Education Program and Residential Multi-Family Direct Install Program, please call (887) 886-4239. Existing Home Retrofit Program, please call (877) 821-9988.



Moraine Valley Community College

Leveraging Residential Incentives: USGBC-Illinois Event
At Moraine Valley Community College

Join the USGBC – Illinois Chapter’s South Suburban Branch and Southwest Suburban Home Builder Association at this residential event!

This program will focus on the many available ways to defray the cost of building or remodeling a green residence. We will present available tax credits, tax deductions, utility rebates available for green residences. In addition, we will review pending legislation both at the state and federal level that creates green affordable incentives. Residential design, development and building professionals are the primary audience for this program. Homeowners may also be interested in available incentives.

Speakers: Chris McCauliffe, CM Real Estate Development LLC
Dan Rappel, Koo and Associates
Bill Seeger, Ecohabitat

Agenda:

6:00 p.m. to 6:20 p.m.: Registration and Networking
6:20 p.m. to 6:25 p.m.: Welcome and Instructions
6:25 p.m. to 6:35 p.m.: Dan Rappel: Residential Green Building Incentives, The Big Picture
6:35 p.m. to 6:50 p.m.: Bill Seeger: Current Incentives
6:50 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.: Dan Rappel, Incentives Under Consideration
7:00 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.: Chris McCauliffe: Cast Study – Applying for Incentives for Affordable Housing
7:20 p.m. to 7:50 p.m.: Q and A

This is a joint event between USGBC, Illinois Chapter, Southwest Suburban Home Builders Association and the National Association of the Remodeling Industry Greater Chicagoland Chapter.

Thank you to our sponsors: Oak Sponsor, Elm Sponsor, Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program.

PARENT INFORMATION



What:	Oak Lawn Family Service – Genesis Therapy Center: GUIDING GOOD CHOICES
Program:	This parent program aims to strengthen and clarify family expectations for behavior, enhance the conditions that promote bonding in the family and teach skills to parents and children to successfully meet the expectations of their family and resist drug use.
Sessions:	The sessions are interactive and skill based, with opportunities for parents to practice new skills and receive feed back from workshop leaders and their parent peers.
Topics:	How to prevent drug abuse in your family; Setting clear family expectations on drugs & alcohol; Avoiding trouble; Managing family conflict; and strengthening family bonds.
Date:	Future dates & times TBD
Time:	Saturday groups forming
Location:	5210 West 95 th Street 2 nd Floor, Oak Lawn
Cost:	Free
Registration:	Call (708) 423-3361 X32



What:	District 123 Preschool Screening
Who:	Children ages 2-5 years old.
Type of Screening:	The children will be screened in the areas of motor, concepts, self-help, social and speech/language development.
Administrators of Screening:	Early childhood professionals will present “game-like” activities to your child that will assess developmental skills. The results will be reviewed with you by a district professional.
Residency:	All preschoolers who reside with in District 123 boundaries are eligible to attend free of charge.
Boundaries:	The district boundaries are North – 87th Street; East – Pulaski Road; South – 107th Street; West – Central Avenue.
Results:	Screening results will tell you how your child is developing. Children develop and change quickly during the early years. A yearly check on their progress is suggested.

Appointments: Appointments are necessary. To schedule an appointment please call Lola Vertucci at (708) 423-8363. You will be contacted by telephone prior to receiving a confirmation letter.

Dates: May 20, 2011

Location: Kolmar School, 10425 South Kolmar, Oak Lawn.

THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM



What: Join us on February 9th for “The Museum Doctor is in”

Presenter and Partnership: Dr. Kent Nelson and Advocate Hope Children’s Hospital Staff. The Children’s Museum and Advocate Hope Children’s Hospital are partnering with the museum to present a series of educational topics that teach children about their bodies and promote wellness.

Presentation: A visiting senior pediatric resident doctor leads these activities, and gives children a great opportunity to learn from and interact with a pediatrician in a welcoming and positive, non medical and non-intimidating environment. This program takes place at 11:30 a.m. on the second floor. It is available to all visitors and no registration is necessary.



What: **Museum Receives Grant!**

Type of Grant: The Children’s Museum in Oak Lawn is thrilled to announce that they have been awarded a Local Marketing Grant in the amount of \$4,150 from the Chicago Southland Convention & Visitors Bureau Grant to promote new marketing initiatives in 2011.

What: **Museum Offers a Free Program:**

Program: **Take – Apart**
Do you like to see how things tick? This interactive adult/child activity is ready for your inquisitive minds. Different objects are ready to be taken apart.

Cost: This free program is on the second floor in the kite area.

Registration: No registration is required. Child must have adult supervision.

THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM HONORS: Congressman Dan Lipinski & Ron and Sue Rescigno



The Children's Museum announced that Congressman Dan Lipinski, Ron and Sue Rescigno will be honored at this year's annual gala event. The gala event will be held at the Oak Lawn Hilton on Saturday, April 30, 2011. This year's theme is "You Could Be Magic!"

Congressman Dan Lipinski has been instrumental in helping the museum secure federal grants and has been a vocal advocate for the museum. The latest grant came through IMLS for \$190,000 in 2009. This helped the museum secure several hands-on educational exhibits prior to opening in July of that same year. Dan and his wife, Judy, also participated in the museum's annual 5K Birthday Dash in Oak Lawn last July and Dan has appeared in a promotional video talking about the benefit the Children's Museum in Oak Lawn brings to the region.

Ron and Sue Rescigno, owners of Rescigno's Mailing Solutions, have been an integral part of the museum since the beginning. Ron serves as Vice President of the museum board and has been a leader in the area of direct marketing and development for the museum. In 2008 and 2009, Sue Rescigno served as chairperson of the museum's annual gala. Under her leadership, the museum broke fundraising records for the event, which netted the museum just over \$81,000 over the two years. Sue has played in another important role assisting the museum with direct marketing strategies.

"Congressman Lipinski has been one of the museum's strongest advocates," said Adam Woodworth, the museum's Executive Director. "Dan understands the positive economic impact that the museum has not only on the Village of Oak Lawn, but on the region. While most of our visitors come from the Chicago area, we have welcomed visitors from 35 other states. When museum visitors stop at Andy's Custard to buy a treat or have lunch at Potbelly's right next door, that's sales tax money flowing into Oak Lawn. We are truly blessed to have Dan Lipinski as a friend of the museum."

"Ron and Sue Rescigno have been involved from day one," said Woodworth. "Whenever you need something, need to brainstorm about marketing, or generate some ideas on how to maximize fundraising efforts, Ron and Sue are two of the first people I call. Back in 2009, we were able to convince Sue to head up the museum gala and during that year, she led a team of committed volunteers to a net income of just over \$56,000. Through her efforts, we were introduced to many people who have now become museum supporters."

If you would like to receive an invitation for this event, call Bernadette at the museum at (708) 423-6709 extension 204.

Oak Lawn Public Library



What: **International Storytime**
Program: Free monthly programs delivered entirely in Polish, Spanish and Arabic.
Registration: advance registration is required.
Dates: Select Saturdays.
For more details: Call or visit www.oaklawlibrary.org for details.

What: **History Exhibit**
Program: Preserving the Buildings in Oak Lawn's past by viewing photographs and artifacts from 19 historic structures, including the Auschwitz House, Keyhole House, Covington School & Trinity Lutheran Church.
Time/Location: Hours posted at the Local History Room, www.oaklawlibrary.org.



What: **Free Movie Monday**
Date: Monday, March 7th - On Casimir Pulaski Day
Time: 10:00 a.m. showing of Big Fish
2:00 p.m. for Dr. Seuss' Horton Hears a Who!
For Details: Call for details: 422-4990



What: **Free Teen Movie**
Who: 6th to 10th Grades
When: Wednesday, March 12, 2011
Time: 6:30 p.m., showing of Scott Pilgrim vs. the World
For Details: Call: 422-4990



What: **"Indoor Composting" - The Urban Worm Girl**
When: Tuesday, March 8, 2011
Time: 7:00 p.m.
For more details: Call 422-4990

What: **Free Phone Bill Clinic**
When: Friday, March 11, 2011
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Cost: Free
Presented by: The Citizens Utility Board
For more details: Call 422-4990



What: **Free Spanish Storytime**
When: Saturday, March 12, 2011
Time: 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Who: For ages 3 to 5
Registration: Registration is required.
For more details: Call 422-4990



OAK LAWN PARK DISTRICT

What: **Spring Judo Classes**
Sign up: Sign up is going on now for the Oak Lawn Park District Spring Judo classes at the Menard Center. Due to the popularity of this program, we have added a second day!
Who: This class is designed for students to learn Judo skills, discipline, respect, balance and coordination for sport or for self-defense.
Type of classes: Beginner and advance classes.
Classes begin: Saturday, March 5, 2011
Time: 5:30 p.m.
For more details: Please check the Winter/Spring brochure or visit us online at www.olparks.com or call 857-2420.

What:  **Chicago Fire Camps & Training Development School**

Program: The Oak Lawn Park District is offering the Chicago Fire Camps & Training Development School again this spring at Centennial Park. Every Saturday for 4 weeks players will have the chance to play soccer under the guidance of the Fire's professionally licensed coaches, following one of two specialized curriculums.

1st Curriculum: The Play S.A.F.E. Program: Soccer, Awareness, Fun, Education.
Date: Saturday, April 16, 2011
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
Who: Ages: 5 to 10
2nd Curriculum: The A.T.T.A.C.K. Program: Attitude, Training, Techniques, Awareness, Competition, Knowledge.
Time: 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Who: Ages 10 to 14
For more details: Please check the Winter/Spring brochure or visit us at www.olparks.com or call 857-2420.

What: **Passport to Nature** 
Why: Children are spending more time than ever indoors playing video games, watching TV and surfing the internet, causing them to slowly lose touch with nature.
Program: Our year round nature programs are a fun way to get your family back in touch with nature.
For more details: Please visit us at www.olparks.com or call 857-2200.

What:  **Stoney Creek Golf Course: Indoor Golf**
Simulator
Program: Play great golf courses and keep your swing in shape during this winter season! Play courses such as Bay Hill, Castle Pines, Pinehurst #2 (1999 U.S. Open) with your favorite friend. You can also play Pebble Beach or St. Andrews Links Old Course without flying.
Seniors Rates: \$16.00 per hour
Regular Rates: \$20.00 per hour. This is not per person.
Length of Play: Play for 3 hours & get the 4th hour free!
For more details: Call for tee times at 857-2436 or 785-5689.

What:  **Fish Bake**
Healthier than a Fish Fry!
Sponsored by: Knights of Columbus, Council 14553
Where: St. Louis de Montfort
8808 South Ridgeland Avenue
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
Tickets: Tickets are being sold before and after mass for the next three weeks.
Chefs & Cooks: Chef Ron Lapniewski, Jr., Chef Keith Wagner, and Tom Trusk.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

What: **Free Blood Pressure Screening**
Sponsored by: The Oak Lawn Community Partnership
Where: Oak Lawn Public Library
Date: Wednesday, March 9, 2011
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 11 a.m.
For more details: Call for details: 422-4990

What: **Meals On Wheels Needs Your Help!**
Who: Volunteers are needed.
When: Meals are sent Monday thru Friday.
Time: Between 9:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.
For more details: Call Jennifer Owen at 422-5180.

What: **South Suburban PADS Shelters**
Program: PADS offers free emergency, overnight shelter nightly.
Time: 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.
Dates: Between October 1, 2010 to April 30, 2010.
For more details: Call PADS at (708) 754-4357.
What: Angel Food Ministries
Reduced Cost for Food Program at the Wesleyan Community Church
Where: 8844 South Austin Avenue, Oak Lawn.
For more details: Call 599-3660 or visit us at www.wesleyanchurch.com.

What: **Plows Shared Housing Program**
Program: This is a program offering a housing alternative for persons for all ages who might be interested in sharing living space, expenses and possibly household duties with another person. PLOWS staff members screen home providers and home seekers and introduce potentially compatible people for the purpose of possibly sharing a home.
Who: One person in the match must be a senior. The obvious advantage is to reduce the cost of housing, but other benefits are companionship and maintaining independence. We are a not-for-profit organization assisting people in the community.
For more details: Call PLOWS at 361-0219.

FUNDRAISERS



Dancing with the Spartans

Friday, March 11, 2011

7:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$10.00

Benefits the Parent Project for Muscular Dystrophy

7th Annual Charity Hockey Game Oak Lawn Police Department



VS



Oak Lawn Fire Department

Sunday, April 10, 2011

Game Time: 5:00 p.m.

Doors Open at 4:30 p.m.

**Oak Lawn Park District Ice Arena
9820 S. Kenton Avenue**

All proceeds from this event will benefit:

Oak Lawn Rotary's ~ 9-11 Memorial

**Building a Monument Honoring the
First Responders who gave their all on 9-11
and the Resilience of the American Sprit.**

TICKETS WILL ONLY BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.

Adults - \$5.00

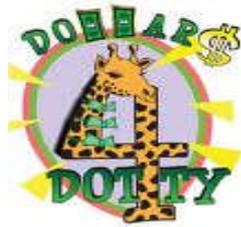
Students - \$2.00

**There will be Raffle Prizes,
a Split the Pot Raffle and
a Silent Auction.**



For more information about the game or to donate
a raffle prize contact Jim Pacetti at (708) 499-7880.





Dollars For Dotty

“Nobody can go back and start a new beginning, but anyone can start today and make a new ending”. –Maria Robinson

Dotty is a 48 year old woman with a caring, loving family. Kevin, her partner of 14 years, Ken and Kathy, her 2 children, and 7 grandchildren, Kenny, Robert, Mitchell, Jake, Leah, Logan and Cassidy are the loves of Dotty’s life.

Summer is Dotty’s favorite time of year. The family activities are endless. They enjoy the zoo, beaches, festivals, camping, and hiking, all of the wonderful things that form lifetime memories. The summer of 2010 was different. In early June, Dotty started to experience severe pain to her back, right side, and stomach. She made 3 trips to the emergency room each time receiving a CT scan. All 3 times she was sent home with pain pills and a diagnosis of bulging discs. Struggling with the pain throughout the summer, Dotty was unable to participate in the family outings she loved so much. Going to work was getting more difficult as the pain steadily increased.

On September 22, 2010 Dotty was rushed to the hospital a 4th time. It was that day that would change the lives of Dotty, her family and her friends forever. She was diagnosed with Stage 3 Colon Cancer, medically known as Aden carcinoma of Cecum with it being in the lymph nodes. That day a perforated tumor, the size of a large man’s fist, was removed along with twelve inches of colon.

Dotty has already received CT scans, MRIs, x-rays, labs and 2 surgeries. Several of these tests must be repeated. She will endure very aggressive chemotherapy receiving three different chemo treatments biweekly for at least 6 months.

Working is no longer possible for Dotty. She does not have any health insurance. The county and state have advised her that they cannot assist her with any financial aid toward the \$14,200 cost of each chemo treatment. Her medical and personal bills are stacking up. In order to help alleviate the financial strain she is facing, her family and friends are hosting a fundraiser benefit.

SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2011, Gaelic Park, 6119 W. 147th Street, Oak Forest, IL 60452, 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Any donation you can offer to help the success of this event will be greatly appreciated. We are looking for donations for our prize raffles and silent auction as well as monetary donations which can be mailed directly to:

CHASE BANK, c/o Dollars 4 Dotty, 16057 S. Farrell Road, Lockport, IL 60441; Attention: Monica

Please visit our website (under construction) www.dollars4dotty.com for information regarding the benefit and all other donation options. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact a volunteer listed on this letter. Thank you very much for your consideration. Your support and generosity can help make a significant impact on this very special family.

Donations for raffles & auctions can be sent to:

**Dollars 4 Dotty
c/o Terrie Golden
5130 South Mayfield
Chicago, IL 60638
Coordinator:**

**Dollars 4 Dotty
c/o Denise Dekker
10352 Leslie Lane
Chicago Ridge, IL 60415
Kevin Healy & Associates, LLC
(773) 386-8100**

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THE VILLAGE OF OAK LAWN

SALUTES OUR RESIDENTS IN THE ARMED FORCES

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Sara Losos, AIC

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Karl Schultz, US Navy
Sgt. R.E. Carlson, US Marine Corps
Sp4 Joseph J Necom, USA
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Private 3rd Edward James Mayer, US Army
Office Jason Hudson, US Army
2LT Jeffrey Finley II, US Army

★ 2nd Lt., Kevin M. Shotas, USMC

The Village of Oak Lawn appreciates the many sacrifices our residents in the Armed Forces make for us on a day to day basis. Please keep them in your prayers. If you are an active service man or woman or have a loved one currently serving in the armed forces, please send their name and military information to coleary@oaklawn-il.gov. If any service man or woman would be interested in receiving the "A Community United" they may do so by sending their email information to coleary@oaklawn-il.gov.

The Village of Oak Lawn would like to welcome home any of our service men and women by displaying their name on the marquee along 95th Street. Please feel free to call the Village Manager's office at (708) 499-7742 with the information regarding your loved one's homecoming.



I NEED ASSISTANCE. CAN FEMA HELP?

What kind of disaster assistance can FEMA provide?

It depends on the type of your disaster damages.

If your home is damaged and you cannot live there safely, you may be eligible for temporary housing assistance.

If you're a homeowner, you could also be eligible for money to help with the cost of repairing damages not covered by insurance.

Owners and renters could be eligible for money to help replace furniture, clothes or other damaged personal items.

If you have other serious disaster-related needs, you could be eligible for money to help with expenses such as medical, dental and transportation costs.

FEMA can help you contact other disaster recovery agencies that may be able to help you on the road to recovery. For example, you may be able to qualify for a low interest disaster loan through the Small Business Administration (SBA). The SBA will require a separate loan application.

What do I need to do?

If you have insurance, please call your insurance company before calling FEMA. Only damages that

are NOT covered by insurance can qualify for FEMA disaster

assistance. By law we can not duplicate benefits.

Apply for assistance with FEMA. Apply online at www.DisasterAssistance.gov or call 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) or TTY 1-800-462-7585 to apply by telephone.

What happens after I apply?

We will mail you a copy of your application and a copy of Help After a Disaster: Applicant's Guide to the Individuals and Households Program. After that, a FEMA inspector will contact you for an appointment to survey your damaged property if necessary.

How can I check the status of my application?

Go to www.DisasterAssistance.gov or call the FEMA Helpline at 1-800-621-3362 or TTY 1-800-462-7585.

It's important to remember that FEMA programs offer temporary assistance and are not designed to return individuals to pre-disaster status.

What time period does FEMA assistance apply to?

Damages incurred between July 22 and August 7, 2010 may be eligible for FEMA assistance.



THE VILLAGE OF

OAK LAWN

The Village of Oak Lawn would like residents to be aware of available resources for further information on Fair Housing. Please refer to the websites below.

Fair Housing Information

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/fheo/FHLaws/FairHousingJan2002.pdf>

Rental Housing Discrimination

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/fheo/>

Foreclosure Prevention

<http://www.makinghomeaffordable.gov/>

Housing Choice Voucher Program

<http://www.thehacc.org/index.aspx>

For further information please contact the Fair Housing Administrator
9446 South Raymond Avenue, Oak Lawn, Illinois 60453, 708 499-7806

The Oak Lawn Fair Housing Commission meets the third Tuesday
Of January, April, July and October @ 4:00 p.m.
in the Lower Level Conference Room.

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THROUGHOUT THE YEAR**

SHOP LOCAL & SHOP OAK LAWN

**ANDY'S FROZEN CUSTARD, The Green Oaks Shopping Center,
9507 South Cicero Avenue**



Andy's Frozen Custard recently had their Grand Opening in Oak Lawn to "standing-room" crowds only. Andy Kuntz, president of Andy's Frozen Custard, was excited about remodeling of the former Del Taco restaurant. According to Andy, the difference between ice cream and frozen custard is frozen custard is made fresh every hour. Basically, any frozen dessert gets worse as time goes on. So the fresher it is, the better it is. The creamier it tastes. Frozen custard is also served slightly warmer than ice cream. If you go to your local ice cream shop and get a scoop of hard ice cream, generally that product is around zero degrees and will actually freeze your taste buds. Our product still feels cold on your palette and your mouth, but won't freeze your mouth. By the time you get to the end of a sundae or concrete, you're still able to taste that it is a strawberry or a caramel. With something colder, by the time you get to the fourth bite, you really can't taste the flavor. That's really the big difference with frozen custard and ice cream. Look for the "BIG" cone on Cicero Avenue and stop in and enjoy the newest treat in our neighborhood.

QDOBA, Oak Lawn Town Center, 5137 West 95th Street



Construction has already begun on the new Qdoba Mexican Grill where Hollywood Video was located. Qdoba serves burritos made in the San Francisco burrito style, tacos, quesadillas, taco salads, chile con queso, Mexican gumbo, and fresh guacamole. The restaurant fits into the "fast casual" category, offering both quick service and a higher quality of food than typical fast-food restaurants. Customers order by selecting an entrée, then choosing its ingredients. All of the items are made in plain view of the customer. The chain's current slogan is "Fast Fresh and Friendly". Look for the grand opening in early spring.



SMASHBURGER, Oak Lawn Town Center,

5145 West 95th Street

Qdoba's will have a new neighbor - Smashburger. Construction on the new Smashburger store should begin in late February. Smashburger is fast becoming every city's favorite place for burgers. It is perfect for eating in or having a better burger to go, a quick workday lunch, the weekend burger and beer, date night, a family dinner, or with the team after the game. Smashburger has something great for everyone. Along with their great-tasting

burgers and smashfries - smashchicken sandwiches and signature salads, veggie frites and haystack onions, Häagen-Dazs shakes and bottled beer and wine - help make smashburger every city's favorite place for burgers.



2 Toots Train Whistle Grill, Children's Museum

A future family restaurant is in the planning stage right next door to The Children's Museum - 2 Toots Train Whistle Grill. Owners Dale Eisenberg and Mike Ventre decided to create their own special place for families to enjoy a tasty meal delivered on toy trains. At 2 Toots Train Whistle Grill, Dale and Mike have recreated the look and feel of a 50's lunch counter, rekindling the fond memories of a time past. But one thing never goes out of style – finding a place where people of all generations can sit back, relax and enjoy a tasty meal. Dale and Mike pride themselves in creating a place that appeals to kids of all ages! Offering old fashion burgers, fries, hot dogs, sandwiches, salads and more, 2Toots Train Whistle Grill has something for everyone! And their homemade treats and hand dipped ice cream creations are second to none! Look for 2 Toots Train Whistle Grill to open in late spring.

Medical Center, 102nd & Cicero Avenue



RSA PROPERTIES - 10201 SOUTH CICERO - CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

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RSA Properties recently purchased the Fox Valley Suzuki Dealership at 10201 S. Cicero Avenue. The 24,000sqft building was sold for \$1.5 M dollars and will be converted into a lavish, 3 story medical facility. Ground breaking will begin in the spring of 2011. RSA Properties also owns the Merrionette Park Medical Center located at 116th & Kedzie.



Medical Center, 95th & Normandy

The former Napleton Honda Dealership was recently sold for \$3M. The 17,000sqft building located at 5800 W. 95th Street sits on 2.5 acres and will be the home to a 40,000 sq.ft Medical Office. An outstanding medical architectural and planning firm has been hired for a planned orthopedic center. The perimeter brick wall and landscaping will remain as well as a portion of the existing brick building; however, there will be significantly renovations for new design. Builder Don Jeanes will be the construction company on-site.



NEW BUSINESSES COMING TO OAK LAWN

If you are opening a new business in the Village of Oak Lawn, please contact the Mayor's Office at (708) 499-7742 or email us at coleary@oaklawn-il.gov. We will include your new business information in "A Community United" E-Newsletter for two weeks. THIS SERVICE IS FREE. Over 2,000 residents receive "A Community United" E-Newsletter every other Thursday. It is our way of welcoming you to the Village of Oak Lawn and letting the residents learn about a new business in our community.

Thank you for taking the time to read this edition of "A Community United" E-Newsletter. If you are interested in receiving the E-Newsletter via regular mail or email, please contact Carmie O'Leary at (708) 499-7742 or email your request at coleary@oaklawn-il.gov.