



Village
of
**Forest
View**

WELCOME

Welcome to our community!

WHERE IS FOREST VIEW?

As a new resident in a small village, you probably will be asked the frequent question, "Where is Forest View?" Responses such as Harlem Avenue and the Stevenson Expressway or Harlem and 46th Street are correct. However, there is more to our little village. The residential section encompasses only about 10% of its area. The other 90% is comprised of the Stevenson Expressway Corridor, the Commercial and Industrial District located along Harlem Avenue, as well as the trucking facilities located on the south side of the Stevenson Expressway near 47th and Central. The Village recently annexed a large plot of land, 4800 S. Central Avenue, which is now the site of a FedEx Freight Distribution Facility.

The Village is approximately 1 square mile in area and is home to approximately 700 people.

VILLAGE HISTORY

Forest View was founded in 1924 by World War I veterans who reportedly named it after the beautiful wooded and flowered prairies just west of the newly incorporated area.

During the prohibition era, the infamous gangster, Al Capone housed bootleg liquor distilleries in local homes and garages and operated a brothel in what is now the 4600 block of Maple Avenue.

The Village experienced its greatest growth after World War II, when developer, Walter Baltis began building affordable homes, which are easily identifiable throughout the community.

ZONING - The Village's residential area is zoned R - Single Family Residence. Family as defined by Village Code is: (A) Either one or more persons related by blood, adoption or marriage, living and cooking together as a single housekeeping unit. (B) Or not more than two (2) adult persons living and cooking together as a single housekeeping unit though not related by blood, adoption, or marriage.

VILLAGE GOVERNMENT

The Village is governed by seven elected officials, a president and six trustees. Board Meetings are held in the Municipal Building located at 7000 W. 46th Street, the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. and are open to the public.

VILLAGE CLERK'S OFFICE

The Village Office, located in the Municipal Building is open Monday thru Friday from

9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. The Village Administrator, Village Clerk or any elected official can be reached by contacting the Office at 708-788-3429. Village Email: info@forestview-il.org

Services offered through the Clerk's/Village Office include:

WATER BILLING - New homeowners must stop by the Village Office as soon as possible to set-up a utility bill account. Homeowners are billed quarterly (February, May, August, and November) for water service. Bills are sent out on the first of these months and payment is due before the last day of these months. Any payments received after due date will be assessed a 10% late fee.

Water bill payments can be made through our Village website at.....

<https://www.forestview-il.org>

BUILDING PERMITS AND LICENSES -

Building Permits are required for most home construction, remodeling or home improvement projects indoor and outdoor. Some permits will be assessed a fee, while others are issued without a fee. Contractors are required to provide the Village with proof of insurance (worker's compensation and liability coverage) for the protection of homeowners. In addition, if the project cost exceeds \$2,500 then contractors are also required to provide a \$10,000 surety bond to the Village. Applications are available in the Village Office and the process takes approximately one week to complete. If you are not sure if a permit is required, call the Village Office at 708-788-3429.

Work which is started without first obtaining a proper building permit (if any applicable) will be assessed a \$100.00 fine plus penalty of an amount equal to double the cost of the permit. In addition, work must conform to all Village Building Regulations.

If you do any type of digging, it is important that you call J.U.L.I.E. first at 800-892-0123 to get underground utility lines marked.

DOG TAGS - Residents are required to register their dogs annually by purchasing a dog identification tag. Proof of current rabies vaccination is required. Tags help to identify lost pets. The fee is nominal. Three (3) dogs is maximum per residence. P.D. has a Pet Chip Scanner. It is advised that you chip your pet. Your Vet can help you, if your pet does not already have a chip.

SWIMMING POOLS - Initial installation of a pool requires a building permit.

GARAGE SALE PERMITS - Residents may hold two (2) garage sales per year. Permits are available free of charge in the Village Office and require a three day notice. Miscellaneous household items are allowed, but not art and craft items.

VEHICLE STICKERS - Vehicle stickers cover the period from July 1st thru June 30th of each year. The fee for a passenger car is \$10.00. The senior citizen rate (65 plus) is \$2.00 and limited to one per household. Veterans rate is \$2.00. New residents should obtain a Village vehicle sticker within 30 days of moving to the Village.

VILLAGE NEWSLETTER - The Village delivers a newsletter to each resident's home on a quarterly basis. The newsletter includes Village Board actions as well as other news about the Village. Please provide your email address to receive via email also.

VOTER REGISTRATION - Residents 18 years of age and older may register to vote in the Village Office or the Stickney-Forest View Public Library during normal business hours. Two forms of identification are required, one which shows your current address/proof of

residency. Resident may also register to vote on the Cook County Clerk's Website:

www.cookcountyclerk.com

OTHER SERVICES -

Free notary public services for residents.

Residents Only can rent the Art Treckler Room on the second floor for private parties for a fee.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

REFUSE REMOVAL - All garbage, yard waste, and recyclables are picked up every Wednesday (with the exception of holidays) morning beginning approximately 7:00 A.M. Containers can be placed at the curb after 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday evening or before 7:00 A.M. on Wednesday and must be retrieved no later than 8:00 P.M. Wednesday evening. Residents are not charged for refuse and

recycling services. Resident must supply own garbage can(s) 35 gallon size or less with lid. Recycling bins are provided by Public Works Department free of charge.

Electronic Waste (televisions, computers, cell phones, etc.) will not be picked up nor will tires or hazardous waste (batteries, automotive fluids, light bulbs, household cleaners, etc.) as they are banned from Illinois landfills. The Village of Burr Ridge sponsors an on-going collection site which is open to residents from Forest View and other communities.

YARD WASTE - Grass clippings, leaves and brush should be discarded in either the yard waste bags available at any local store or in a garbage can designated with a "Compost Only" sticker affixed to the can available free of charge in the Village Office. Branches must be cut into three foot lengths and secured with bio-degradable cord. Yard waste is collected from April 1st thru November 30th

on Wednesdays.

RECYCLABLE ITEMS - Recyclable items are to be placed in the blue recycling bins available at no cost through the Public Works Department. Following are some of the items being recycled in the free program:

- Paper Material: Magazines, brown paper bags, corrugated cardboard, cereal boxes (food boxes in general), junk mail, mixed paper
- Metal Material: Aluminum cans, aluminum foil, steel or tin cans, empty aerosol cans
- Plastic: Pop bottles, milk containers (dry please), water bottles (with caps please), margarine/butter tubs (no food residue), laundry detergent bottles
- Glass Material: Glass bottles (clear, brown, green or blue), glass jars (clear, brown, green or blue)
- Milk Carton/Drink Boxes: Gable top milk & juice cartons (dry please), juice boxes (dry please)

Please do not put plastic bags (like Jewel bags) in your recycling can. They get caught in the cylinders and jam the machines.

BULK ITEM REMOVAL - Contact the Public Works Department to make arrangements before discarding bulk items such as refrigerators, stoves, washers and dryers.

SNOW PLOWING - Parking is not permitted on Village streets after two or more inches (2") of snowfall, pending complete removal of snow. For those residents who are unable to park in their driveways or garages, please utilize the Municipal Parking lot. Tickets will be issued and vehicles towed at the owners expense if vehicles are not moved in a timely manner.

SNOW SHOVELING - For senior citizens with a verifiable medical condition which prohibits them from shoveling snow and do not have anyone to assist them, Public Work's personnel

will make one shovel width pass from the street to the front door. This service is provided only after all Village streets and end of driveways are cleared first.

LAWN MAINTENANCE - Village Code requires that homeowners maintain grass/weeds at a height of five inches (5") or less.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

The Police Department is staffed with twelve full time officers plus the Chief of Police, as well as approximately four part time officers. The Department is equipped with four marked squads and one unmarked vehicle. In addition, the Department also has access to an unmarked SUV. A minimum of two cars are assigned to continuous twenty four hour duty. Ideally one car is on the residential side of

town while the other is patrolling the industrial side of town.

PARKING BAN - Parking on most Village streets is "Residential Only." No Overnight Parking is allowed on Village streets between the hours of 1:00 A.M. and 5:00 A.M. If you are having overnight guests, please contact the police department at 708-788-0318 to request authorization for street parking. You will need the vehicle information when calling (make, model and license plate number).

CODERED - The Village participates in CodeRED, an emergency notification system. Residents are encouraged to sign up for this program. In the event of an emergency or the need to notify the residents of a specific situation, the Police Department will send out a notification via email, text, and/or phone call. Information is provided in the Village Office or Police Department on how to enroll in this program.

SOLICITATION - Soliciting is considered freedom of speech so generally the Village must allow such activity. Door-to-door solicitors must first register with the Police Department and obtain a Solicitor's Badge that must be worn around their neck. This does not mean the Village sanctions the product or solicitation cause. Residents are urged to use their own judgment. "NO SOLICITORS" decals are available at the Village Office free of charge.

Other services available to residents are:

HOME ALONE PROGRAM - Any resident who may be living at home alone, who is home ill, or recovering from an illness, can pre-register with the Police Department. Personnel then may provide assistance in the event of an emergency or on request, make a daily telephone call to the resident to extend a friendly "How are you?"

VACATION HOUSE WATCH - Register with the police department before leaving on vacation. While you are gone, the police will conduct a special watch of your premises.

HOME SECURITY SURVEY - Police can conduct a survey of your home and advise of any improvements that can be made to make your home more secure and less of a potential target for burglary.

SENIORS PROGRAMS - Programs are offered in the area of crime prevention and awareness geared towards senior citizens. Periodically the Department sponsors a luncheon providing programs of specific interest to senior citizens. Watch for fliers in your mailbox

CHILDREN'S
FINGERPRINTING/PHOTOGRAPHY

The program allows your child to be periodically fingerprinted, photographed, and

supplied with a Child History Information Packet that you can keep on hand.

BICYCLE SAFETY AND REGISTRATION- Periodic sessions are held instructing riders on safe operation. Serial number registration is also available.

ORDINANCE REMINDER

Per Village Ordinance Chapter 2, Section 9-2-3, Vehicles blocking sidewalks 2 feet or more will be ticketed. Please do not block the sidewalk.

Additionally, please make sure you or your guests do not drive up on the curb and park your vehicle on the courtesy walk. The courtesy walk is there for convenience when parking on the street. Any vehicle parked on the courtesy walk will be ticketed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Village provides around the clock fire and paramedic services.

The Department is manned by a full-time Fire Chief and approximately 40 part-time firefighters/paramedics. The Department is equipped with several pieces of firefighting apparatus, as well as an ambulance and one command vehicle. During emergencies, residents are transported to the closest appropriate medical facility.

The Fire Department also provides the following services and assistance to residents:

SMOKE DETECTORS - Detectors are sold at cost to Village residents. If you wish, firefighters will suggest optimal locations in your home for maximum protection.

FIRE PREVENTION MATERIALS -

Information on home fire safety, prevention,

and escape routes is available in the Fire Department. You may also schedule a tour of the firehouse.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING - Residents may stop by the firehouse to have your blood pressure monitored.

FIRST AID/CPR TRAINING - Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and First Aid training through the American Heart Association is available.

EXPIRED MEDICATION DROP-OFF - If you are unable to make it to a designated drop-off facility, feel free to drop-off your expired medications with the Fire Chief.

FOREST VIEW PARK DISTRICT

HISTORY

The Forest View Park District was established on February 29, 1964. It is governed by five park commissioners.

Park Board meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 P.M. in the Park District Offices located at 4621 S. Wenonah Avenue. All residents are welcome to attend.

The park features two sand volleyball courts, one lighted tennis court, one softball field. A walking track and newer playground equipment are also located on the park premises. Park hours are from 6:00 A.M. to 9:30 P.M. year round.

PROGRAMS

The park district sponsors various parties for residents throughout the year - Easter Egg Hunt, Halloween Party - even a Movie in the Park. Watch for fliers in your mailbox.

Park district employees/commissioners can be contacted by calling the office at 708-484-3002. If no one answers, please leave a message and staff will return your call.

The park district also offers information on their Facebook Page:

www.facebook.com/forestviewparkdistrict

AREA INFORMATION

SCHOOLS - The nearest public elementary schools are: Home School, pre-school through fifth grade, 4400 S. Home Avenue in Stickney (708-783-4500), Edison School - kindergarten through fifth grade, 4100 Scoville Avenue, Stickney (708-783-4400) and George Washington Middle School, 8101 Ogden Avenue, Lyons, (708-783-4200). All are part of District 103, whose administration offices are located at 4100 Joliet Avenue, Lyons, (708-780-4100). Morton West High School, District 201, is the area's public high school (708-222-5700). On the college level, Morton College, District 527, located at 3801 S. Central Avenue, in Cicero offers continuing education, basic adult skills and university transfer courses for those who meet admission requirements. Addition information is available by calling 708-656-8000.

CHURCH

St. Pius X Church -
4300 Oak Park Ave., Stickney
Faith Community Reformed Church -
6825 40th St., Stickney
Jehovah's Witnesses -
4108 Oak Park Ave., Stickney
Lyons Evangelical Free Church -
4147 Prescott Ave., Lyons
Zion Lutheran Church -
7930 Ogden Ave., Lyons
Emmanuel Bible Church -
6630 Ogden Ave., Berwyn
Christian Life Center -
3409 Grove Ave., Berwyn

POST OFFICE

Berwyn Post Office
6625 Cermak Rd., Berwyn
Lyons Post Office
7836 Ogden Ave., Lyons
Riverside Post Office
45 E. Burlington St., Riverside

TRANSPORTATION - Two PACE bus system routes serve the Village: Route 311 along Oak Park Avenue and 46th Street and Route 307 on Harlem Avenue. Schedules are available in the main corridor of the Municipal Building. Stickney Township provides a service for senior citizens; however, a bus pass is required. (708-424-9200).

GROCERY STORE - We have listed a few of the many grocery stores in our area.

Jewel - Osco -

7122 40th St., Stickney

Aldi -

7235 39th St., Lyons

Berwyn Fruit Market -

3811 S. Harlem Ave., Berwyn

Familia Fresh Market -

3308 Oak Park Ave., Berwyn

PHARMACY - We have listed a few of the many pharmacies in our area.

Walgreens -

6800 Ogden Ave., Berwyn

CVS -

8911 Ogden Ave., Brookfield

Jewel - Osco -

7122 40th St., Stickney

Parks -

Forest View Park -

4621 Wenonah, Forest View

O'Reilly Park -

4200 Oak Park Ave., Stickney

Haley Park -

4000 Grove Ave., Stickney

Veteran's Memorial Park -

3900 - 4200 Ridgeland Ave., Stickney

Dog Park -

43rd & Ridgeland, Stickney

(must register with the Village of Stickney)

STICKNEY TOWNSHIP INFORMATION

The Village is located in Stickney Township and as such, Forest View residents are eligible for those activities and services provided by the Township. Some of their fine programs are listed below; however, other activities and seminars are available.

- Medical and Dental Clinics
- General Assistance
- Mini-Bus for residents over 60
- Senior Citizen's luncheon/Bingo
- Public Health Nursing Services
- Youth Commission

Township locations are:

North: 6721 W. 40th St., Stickney
708- 788-9100

Central: 4949 S. Long Ave, Chicago
708-458-4126

South: 5635 State Rd., Burbank
708-424-9200

Louis S. Viverito Senior Center:
7745 S. Leamington, Burbank
708-636-8850

Stickney Township Websites:

www.townshipofstickney.org

www.stickneypublichealthdistrict.org

UNWANTED RODENTS

Notify the Stickney Township Environmental Health Department if you notice rodent or wildlife activity on your property. Burrows and tracks are signs of rodents in your yard.

For assistance, call the Environmental Health Department at 708-424-9200 x 2123 Monday thru Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**VILLAGE OF FOREST VIEW
IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

POLICE EMERGENCY 9-1-1
FIRE EMERGENCY 9-1-1

POLICE NON-EMERGENCY 708-788-0318
(Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm)
FIRE NON-EMERGENCY 708-749-1110

VILLAGE OFFICE 708-788-3429

PUBLIC WORKS/WATER 708-749-0310

FOREST VIEW
PARK DISTRICT 708-484-3002

VILLAGE PRESIDENT NANCY L. MILLER
OFFICE 708-788-3429
CELL 708-846-2747

EMAIL: nmiller@forestview-il.org

Village President Miller is in the office Mon.-Fri. approximately
5:00 pm-9:00 pm. and is available for a meeting or phone
conference. She is also available on weekends by request.

UTILITY & SERVICE PROVIDERS

STICKNEY TOWNSHIP 708-424-9200

STICKNEY/FOREST VIEW
PUBLIC LIBRARY 708-749-1050

BERWYN POST OFFICE 708-484-5392

ELECTRICITY: COMED 800-334-7661

NATURAL GAS: NICOR 888-642-6748

AT&T 800-244-4444

COMCAST CABLE SVCS. 866-594-1234

NEAREST SECRETARY OF STATE

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Bridgeview, IL 708-598-9265