

Bureau of Water	19276 • Springfield • Illinois • 62794-9276
Division of Water Polluti ANNUAL FACILITY INSPEC	
for NPDES Permit for Storm Water Discharges from	Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4)
This fillable form may be completed online, a copy saved locally, Compliance Assurance Section at the above address. Complete ea	
Report Period: From March, 2018 To March, 2019	Permit No. ILR40 00208
MS4 OPERATOR INFORMATION: (As it appears on the current p	permit)
Name: Village of Harwood Heights Mailin	ng Address 1: 7300 W. Wilson Ave
Mailing Address 2:	County: Cook
	Zip: 60706 Telephone: (708)867-7206
Contact Person: George Assimakopoulos Email Ac (Person responsible for Annual Report)	ddress: george444@harwoodheights.org
Name(s) of governmental entity(ies) in which MS4 is located: (As	; it appears on the current permit)
Cook County	
THE FOLLOWING ITEMS MUST BE ADDRESSED.	
A. Changes to best management practices (check appropriate BMP cl regarding change(s) to BMP and measurable goals.)	hange(s) and attach information
1. Public Education and Outreach 🛛 4. Construc	ction Site Runoff Control
2. Public Participation/Involvement 5. Post-Co	onstruction Runoff Control
3. Illicit Discharge Detection & Elimination  6. Pollution	n Prevention/Good Housekeeping
B. Attach the status of compliance with permit conditions, an assessme management practices and progress towards achieving the statutor MEP, and your identified measurable goals for each of the minimum	ry goal of reducing the discharge of pollutants to the
C. Attach results of information collected and analyzed, including mon	nitoring data, if any during the reporting period.
<ul> <li>D. Attach a summary of the storm water activities you plan to undertal implementation schedule.)</li> </ul>	
E. Attach notice that you are relying on another government entity to s	satisfy some of your permit obligations (if applicable).
F. Attach a list of construction projects that your entity has paid for du	
Any person who knowingly makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent mater commits a Class 4 felony. A second or subsequent offense after convic	rial statement, orally or in writing, to the Illinois EPA ction is a Class 3 felony. (415 ILCS 5/44(h))
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Owner Signature:	Date:
George Assimakopoulos	Sewer & Water Foreman
Printed Name:	Title:
EMAIL COMPLETED FORM TO: epa.ms4annualinsp@illinois.gov	
or Mail to: ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WATER POLLUTION CONTROL COMPLIANCE ASSURANCE SECTION #19 1021 NORTH GRAND AVENUE EAST POST OFFICE BOX 19276 SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS 62794-9276	

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#### Part A. Changes to Best Management Practices

#### Note: X indicates BMPs performed that were proposed in your NPDES permit ✓ indicates changes to BMPs proposed in your NPDES permit

No changes were made to the BMPs described in the MS4's Stormwater Management Program Plan (SMPP) during Year 16.

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F.6 Other Municipal Operations

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#### Part B. Status of Compliance with Permit Conditions

(Provide the status of compliance with permit conditions, an assessment of the appropriateness of your identified best management practices and progress towards achieving the statutory goal of reducing the discharge of pollutants to the maximum extent practicable [MEP], and your identified measurable goals for each of the minimum control measures.)

#### **Stormwater Management Activities: Year 16**

The stormwater management activities that the MS4 performed during Year 16, including the MS4's BMPs and measurable goals, are described in detail in the MS4's Stormwater Management Program Plan (SMPP). A brief summary of the status of the MS4's SMPP, as of the end of Year 16, is provided below. The SMPP is provided as reference in this report.

#### A. Public Education and Outreach

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP.

The Village of Harwood Heights continues to implement the BMPs described in its SMPP adopted February 2019 and to track progress in implementing its stormwater management program.

#### BMP No. A.1 – Distributed Paper Material

**Brief Description of BMP:** The Village publishes a monthly letter from the Mayor that regularly includes articles pertaining to and advertisements of various stormwater maintenance activities and improvements throughout the Village including a recently constructed green alley. The letters for this report period are attached.

#### BMP No. A.4 - Community Event

**Brief Description of BMP:** The Village hosts a bi-monthly community meeting where stormwater is discussed, and residents are given an opportunity to provide input.

#### **B.** Public Participation/Involvement

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP.

The Village performs a variety of activities that meet the requirements of the Public Participation and Involvement minimum control measure. These activities include B.4 and B.5.

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#### management program.

#### BMP No. B.4 - Public Hearing

**Brief Description of BMP:** The Village hosts a bi-monthly community meeting where stormwater is discussed, and residents are given an opportunity to provide input.

#### BMP No. B.5 - Volunteer Monitoring

**Brief Description of BMP:** The Village coordinates with local volunteer groups to participate in trash and debris cleanup throughout the Village.

#### C. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP.

The Village of Harwood Heights developed a new storm sewer map for ease of use when performing outfall inspections.

The Village regulary inspects the storm sewer system and will perform dry weather outfall screenings in Year 17.

#### **D.** Construction Site Runoff Control

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP.

The Village of Harwood Heights continues to implement the BMPs described in its SMPP adopted February 2019 and to track progress in implementing its stormwater management program. The Village continues to enforce the MWRD WMO.

#### E. Post-Construction Runoff Control

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP.

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#### F. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping

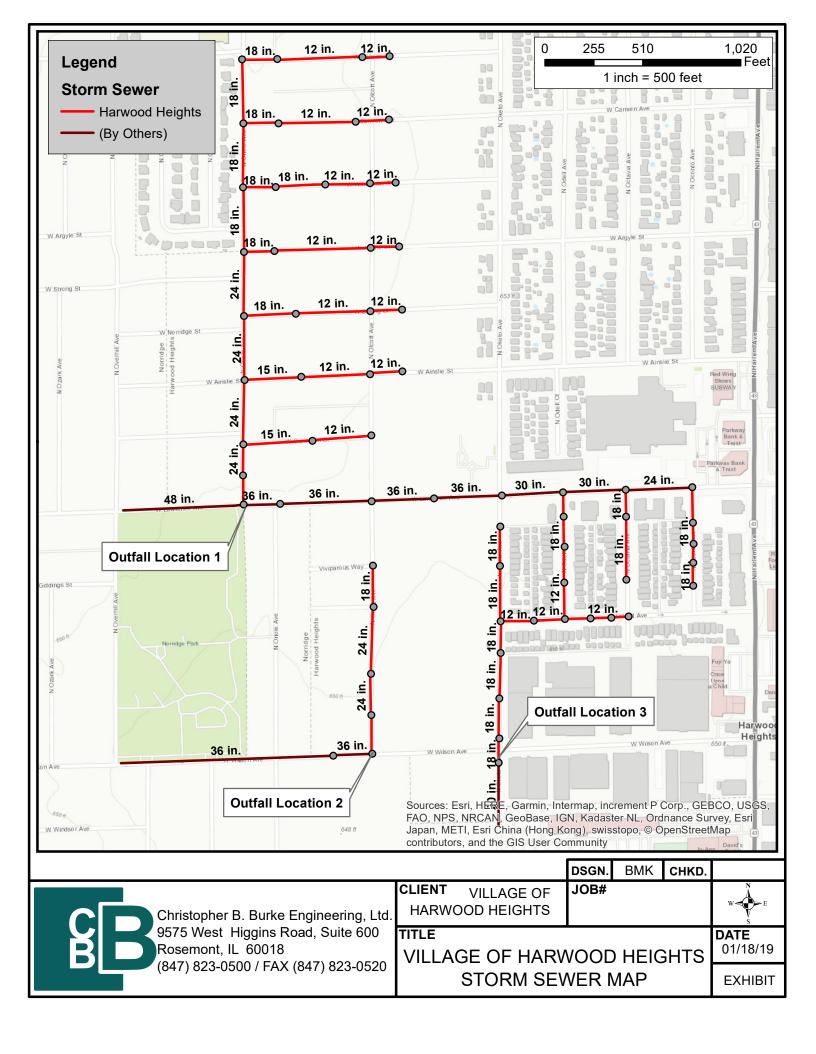
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#### Part C. Information and Data Collection Results

(Provide information and water quality sampling/monitoring data related to illicit discharge detection and elimination collected during the reporting period.)

No information or data was collected during Year 16.





# VILLAGE OF HARWOOD HEIGHTS NEWSLETTER MAYOR ARLENE JEZIERNY VILLAGE OF HARWOOD HEIGHTS NEWSLETTER MARCH/APRIL 2018

#### Prescription Drug Drop Off

Don't flush drugs down your drain or toilet. You don't want to pollute our waterways. Bring them to the lobby of the Police Department where they can be properly disposed. Please be sure to remove the labels on all containers.

#### Photo displays of the 70th Anniversary celebrations.

During the months of February through April, we are displaying photos from all the events that took place in 2017 with the celebration of our 70th Anniversary. Thank you for participating!!

# What to do to avoid losing your pet

Throughout the year, dogs are found roaming the town and we make every attempt to locate their owners. Here are some tips to protect your family friend: Make sure your pet has a collar with a name tag and owner's phone number listed;

Get your pet a "chip" that identifies the pet and owner.

If lost, contact your local Police Dept., Groomer, Vet or Pet Supply Store or log on to Lostdogsillinois.org. Also, check the Village's website for any pets that have been found.

To claim your pet, bring in a photograph to identify your pet.

# On the Horizon for 2018

Last year in 2017 we celebrated 70 years of growth in our community. We now enter 2018 with a renewed energy for continued growth and improvements.

This year focuses on the construction of our Recreational Area within Village Hall paid for by a \$2+ million state grant. This will allow our Community to offer more recreational programs for residents of all ages -- children, teens and adults.

We continue to improve our Village utilizing grants that we receive. We were just awarded a "green initiative" grant which will provide funding for alley improvements - one West of Harlem and two on the East side. The alley improvements in flood prone areas will help with storm water drainage.

The traffic light for Lawrence and Octavia is now under construction and should be completed in 3-4 weeks. It will help improve safety and traffic control for the new developments of Portillo's, Raising Cane's and Art Van.

We will be addressing the much needed roadway repairs on Wilson Avenue between Harlem and Oketo, as well as on Oketo Avenue between Lawrence and Wilson.

We are happy to announce the opening of 2 new businesses in town... Culvers on the old Texas Corral site which is scheduled to open early April, and a new gas station complex at the site of the former auto repair shop at Olcott and Lawrence.

We are committed to continue developing vacant properties in our Village to bring in new revenue and keep your taxes low.

We are evaluating our Village streets to determine future resurfacing projects. We have submitted a grant application for improvements of the 7400 and 7500 blocks of Argyle. We continue to strive for funding to keep our community safe and maintained.

As always, please call the Village at 708-867-7200 with any issues or problems that need attention. Our staff is ready to help address any concerns you may have.

### Pets

Spring is a great time to walk pets and enjoy the coming of Summer. However, please don't leave home without a bag to pick up after your pets. Show you're a responsible pet owner. Don't leave it up to your neighbors to pick up after your pets. Thank you!

#### Holiday Decorating Contest

We thank our residents for providing such beautiful decorations during the holidays. Congratulations to our Contest winners:

East Side 4400 block of Neenah 3 on 4500 block of Newland 4300 block of New England West Side 5000 block of Odell 7600 block of Strong 7400 blocks of Foster, Carmen & Winona

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## Vehicle Stickers

Renewal applications will be mailed soon. Stickers will be available for sale in April. Please bring in your renewal form. Stickers must be adhered to the passenger side of the front windshield and displayed by May 1st.

# Nicor Gas - Update!

Nicor has completed the installation of gas mains in various areas of our Village to eliminate all low pressure gas lines. New meters will be installed next. Work will also continue to replace any damaged landscaping and sidewalks.

# Join the Harwood Heights Seniors 55+ Club

If you're looking to meet others and enjoy getting out, consider joining the Harwood Heights Senior Club. They meet twice a month in the Community Center of the Village Hall - the 2nd and 4th Friday. They meet for lunch, bake sales, bingo, and participate in pre-scheduled events like theatre productions, etc. The meeting dates are posted in our 2018 Harwood Heights calendar.

### Street Sweeping & Yard Waste

Street Sweeping and Yard Waste Pick-up begins the week of April 2nd. Please place Yard Waste in biodegradable bags or tag containers with a free "Yard Waste" sticker from the Village Hall.

Help us keep our streets clean. Obey the signs on your block for Street Maintenance. Move vehicles accordingly so streets can be swept and maintained where necessary.

### Dates to remember...

Sunday, March 25 -- Register and join in on the Youth Commission's Easter Egg Hunt Party with coloring contest and a visit from the Easter Bunny at the Village Hall from 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Sunday, April 15 -- Baseball Season begins. A parade will begin at 9:30 am behind the Theatre and travel through some of the streets of Norridge and Harwood Heights. Cheer them on as the parade drives down Winona, Oketo and Ainslie.

Friday-Sunday, June 22-24 - Village-Wide Garage Sale Weekend

Big Garbage Day -Week of June 25 on your normal garbage pick-up day

Saturday & Sunday, August 11 & 12 -- Harwood Heights Summer Fest held at Union Ridge School

## Watch for these upcoming events...

July -- Open House for the new Recreation Center of the Village Hall. Once complete, everyone is invited to see the new facility and see what activities you can enjoy.

Sept -- Car Show - A fun time for the family and car enthusiats.

**Oct** -- Public Works Open House - You will see all the new enhancements and it will be a learning experience as well. Bring the kids.

Note: The Village Hall will be closed Friday, March 30th and Saturday, March 31st for the Easter holiday.



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#### **Upcoming Events:**

#### Next Safety Seminar June 11th at 1:30 pm

Our Deputy Chief DeVries and Sgt/Detective Smith will provide the latest in what occurs in and around the surrounding area. They will provide safety tips to make you aware of potential dangers. Please make sure you attend this informational seminar.

Village-Wide Garage Sale Friday-Sunday, June 22-24 Please register by calling the Village Hall at 867-7200

**Big Garbage Day** Held the week of June 25 on your normal garbage pick-up day.

#### Shredding and Recycling

No charge For residents only Saturday, July 21st Time: 9:00 am-Noon at the Village Hall

#### Garden Walk

Saturday, July 28th Time:11:00 am - 2:00 pm Plan to show your garden? Contact the Village Hall. More details to come

Village SummerFest Mark your calendar Saturday, August 11 and Sunday, August 12 Held at Union Ridge School

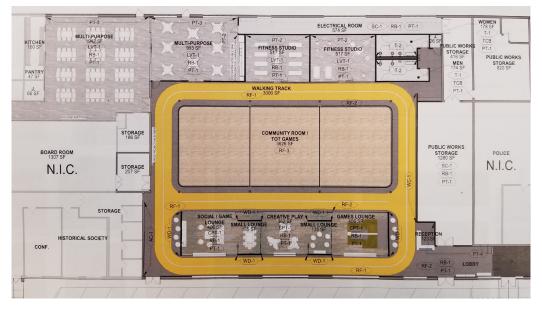
**Car Show - Sept 23rd** A fun time for the family and car enthusiasts. Details to come.

# **Village Progress Updates**

#### **Recreation Grant**

The \$2.165 million Recreation Grant we received is in progress. Below is the design for the Center and how it will be developed. This design was created through several meetings with residents who gave their suggestions and feedback from our adults, seniors, and familes with children.

Taking all of this into consideration, the design was made and construction work will soon begin.



#### Lawrence & Octavia Traffic Light

With the developments on Lawrence Avenue, a traffic light was needed and installed for safety. The signal configuration was developed by IDOT. The Village will evaluate the light and traffic flow and may need to make adjustments. Please be aware of this new traffic signal and drive carefully.

#### **Oketo and Wilson Street Resurfacing**

Through another grant we were able to obtain funding for the paving of Oketo and Wilson, which was very much needed.

#### Culvers

Culvers opened on May 1st at Harlem and Montrose. We welcome our new business, wish them success, and thank them for making Harwood Heights their home.

# Pets

Spring is a great time to walk pets taking in some outdoor exercise. Be sure to keep your pets on a leash! It's a safety concern for your pet, as well as other pets and people.

Please be considerate of others properties. Please bring a bag and pick up after your pet, and do not throw feces into another owner's garbage can. We would appreciate your cooperation.

Thank you!

# Noise?

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### **Progress Updates continued...**

We regularly apply for grants to help us maintain our community. A number of grants have been requested and, once approved, we put them into action. Keep in mind that grants can only be used for specific projects so getting funding for one project cannot be applied to another. Here are some projects that we await approval...

7400 & 7500 blocks of Argyle - Street Resurfacing & Widening

Green infrastructure Alleys: 7500 between Argyle & Winnemac Forest Preserve Drive, Sunnyside and cross section at Nagle.

Resurfacing of Streets: Blocks of Cullom (Sayre to Newcastle)

With the heavy rains, we continue to look for funding to expand our existing underground detention areas at Oriole & Argyle, and at Leland and Newcastle.

#### More Information...

#### Vehicle Stickers

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#### Trees

We have been working with MWRD to obtain tree saplings for our residents who are interested in planting trees on their property or parkway. They are Swamp White Oak which are appropriate for parkways. A photo is shown on our website. There is no charge for these tree saplings for you to plant. We have placed an order for 50 trees and will announce through our Robo Call when they become available for pick-up.

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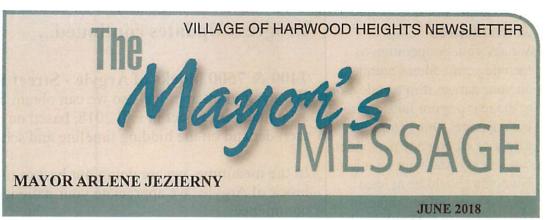
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**Upcoming Events:** 

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#### **Unused Drugs**

Do NOT flush any drugs in the toilet or empty them into your sink. The Village provides a box for Drug collection in the lobby of our Police Dept. Leave prescription drugs in their containers; just remove the labels.

Village Fest -Mark your calendars August 11th & 12th

# Village Progress

**Meeting with MWRD - Metropolitan Water Reclamation District** Earlier this month, George Assimakopoulos, Public Works Foreman and Project Coordinator, and I met with Mariyana Spyropoulos, MWRD Board President to discuss on-going projects for our community. In 2014 our Village was selected for a pilot program for storm water. Several meetings took place that included residents in flood-prone areas. A flood Mitigation program was also completed and was presented to the MWRD.

Our meeting focused on the good news that we qualified for funding of green alleys in flood-prone areas. The meeting included our consistent request to *expand* our flood detention areas on the east and west sides of the community. President Spyropoulos was given many reasons why expansion of our detention facilities would be a benefit and gave us time to present our findings. We are hopeful that our request will be given the MWRD Board's priority to prepare for 100-year rain storms.



#### Plans for two Green Alleys

We await the final approval and engineer's paperwork and bid documents so we can go out to bid for this project. We anticipate that the alleys will be targeted for a Spring 2019 completion.

Two Green Alleys: (1) 7500 block between Argyle & Winnemac; (2) Forest Preserve Drive, Sunnyside and cross section at Narragansett.

### Addresses

We ask your cooperation to include your address number on your garage if in an alley, or at the rear of your house without a garage. This is for your safety so emergency personnel can quickly find your location. Numbers should be at least 2-1/2 inches tall or larger. Thank you!

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# Progress Updates continued...

7400 & 7500 blocks of Argyle - Street Resurfacing & Widening We await grant approvals so we can obtain bids for contracts. We plan to schedule this project in Fall 2018, based on approval of the grant. It will then depend on the bidding timeline and scheduling with contractors.

In the meantime, we are doing our best to fill the potholes on the 7400 block of Argyle. We appreciate your patience until road resurfacing commences.

#### Other projects planned for 2018:

Engineering will take place late Spring or early Summer for the resurfacing of Cullom (Sayre to Newcastle), and the alley between the 4600 block of Newland and New England with the cross section along the 6900 block of Leland.

### More Information...

#### **Mosquito Control Notification from Clarke Mosquito**

The Village contracts for mosquito control. Should you have any allergies to the spraying, Clarke Mosquito will call you directly when they plan to spray. Call 800-942-2555 to be on their list so you will be notified to close windows. In addition, sewers are also treated with mosquito pellets. Please make sure to eliminate any standing water in your yard that could attract mosquitos.

### **Tree Programs**

We still have some Swamp White Oak saplings left for residents who are interested in planting trees on their property or parkway. These trees are an appropriate size for parkways. A photo is shown on our website. There is no charge for these saplings, but you must plant the tree.

We also have our 50/50 tree program which offers an assortment of trees (appropriate for parkways). Your cost for these trees is \$275. We will order and plant them for you on your parkway. Orders are taken from February 1st thru September 1st and will be planted late September or October. Of course, they are more significant than the samplings noted above. These trees can be viewed on our website: www.harwoodheights.org.

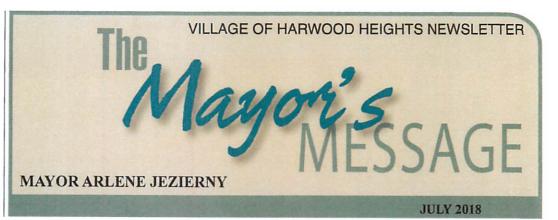
### Nicor Gas - Update!

Nicor's restoration work continues with sod replacement. Nicor's meter and gas line work will continue along the 6400-6800 blocks of Gunnison.

### **Street Maintenance**

Please remember to move cars for Street Sweeping and Maintenance required by Public Works or Contractors. Follow the signs on your block.





### **Upcoming Events:**

### Shredding & Recycling

No charge - For residents only Saturday, July 21st Time: 9:00 am-Noon at the Village Hall Recycling includes TV's and electronic items such as toasters, clocks, computers, etc. (Limit one TV per household)

> Garden Walk Saturday, July 28th (See flyer enclosed)

**Tax Appeal Seminar** Thursday, August 2 @ 6:30 pm Union Ridge School Gym 4600 N. Oak Park

Summer Fest Saturday & Sunday August 11 & 12 1:00 - 9:30 pm Union Ridge School Grounds

Car Show Sunday, September 23 9:00 am - Noon Located near Art Van, Raising Cane & Portillo's lots (Lawrence & Harlem)

More topics on reverse side.

# Heartfelt Farewell to Old Warsaw

Sawa's Old Warsaw has been an icon in our Village for the past 46 years, but they are closing their doors this month. Owner, Chester Markiewicz has provided a buffet of Polish ethnic cuisine for years. Residents and visitors from all over enjoyed the Polish food with dance and music that filled the weekends. It was the place to be to have fun, meet others and simply just have a good time.

Fat Tuesdays (as we call the day before Ash Wednesday) were especially popular when warm paczki came out of the oven. They were flooded with orders that had to be placed well in advance.

Chester was not only a good businessman and owner but a true neighbor and friend to many. He was always out watering his flowers making sure his property looked so beautiful -- duplicating a scene from Europe.

We will miss you Chester and all the staff that gave us such a wonderful place to eat and visit. Good health and luck to all! THANK YOU & STO LAT!!



### Outdoor events...

Enclosed is information on our upcoming **Garden Walk** and **Summer Fest**. Join us for these summer events.

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# Shredding & Recycling Day

For Harwood Heights residents only Saturday, July 21st

Located in the Village Parking lot at 7300 W. Wilson Hours are from 9:00 am - Noon.

#### **Recycling:**

The company will basically take any electronic item that plugs in. TV's are limited to one per household. They will NOT take batteries, tires, oil or light bulbs, wood enclosed items, DVD's nor tapes.

**Shredding:** No cardboard, plastic bags, books or binders, CD's nor metallic objects. (Staples and paper clips are fine)

# **Cat Population**

As much as we all like pets, there is a huge cat population in certain areas of the Village due to breeding and residents who feed them. Keep in mind that feeding cats could also attract other animals such as racoons, skunks and more cats - not to mention the defecation on homeowners' gardens, lawns, etc. which is becoming a huge problem.

The Village is concentrating in one area of the Village (Carmen & Odell) and contracting with Tree House to catch some of these cats to relocate them. They are a no-kill organization! There are other organizations that will capture, spay or neuter them, and release them back. If you have cats as pets, please keep them in your home so they will not be captured or exposed to dangers such as cars, coyotes, or other animals.

# **School Supply Collection**

The Salvataion Army supports the Norwood Park Township of Harwood Heights and Norridge helping those in need and providing assistance where they can. They are collecting school supplies through August of this year. There is a School Supply box in the Village lobby. If you can contribute some of the following items, it would be appreciated:

Box of crayons 16 count; markers-classic colors-washable; wood pencils #2; scizzors - pointed or round tip; pocket folders; spiral notebood-wide rule and college rule; large pink eraser; pens-medium point-red, black and blue; glue stick-.28oz. dries clear; pencil case-heavy duty zippered; 3x5 index cards-plain white; 100 count colored pencils; 12 count packages filler paper - wide and college rule; highlighters-chisel tip-yellow; ruler-12 inches 30 cm; wooden book covers; backpacks.

# **Flood Control Grants**

Homeowners that are looking to install flood control in their yard can get some relief by the Village. The Village will provide a \$1500 grant based on the appropriate plans submitted for flood control.



### **Upcoming Events:**

Car Show Sunday, September 23 9:00 am - 1:00 pm Located near Art Van, Raising Cane & Portillo's lots (Lawrence & Harlem)

### Coffee with a COP

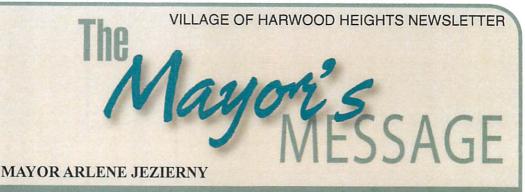
Coffee with a Cop is a Community Policing program to encourage communication and positve interactions between law enforcement and the public; where our residents can talk directly with the Chief of Police, Deputy Chief, the Mayor and other local officers and elected officials.

The next meeting is Wednesday, October 3rd at 9:00 am held at the Family Palace Restaurant

### Safety Seminar

Our Police Department continues its Safety Seminar making our residents aware of fraud and other scams. Please join us, especially if you have not been to a session yet.

Mark your calendar for Thursday, October 4 at 1:00 pm



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# Village's *First* Car Show September 23 (Rain date: Sept 30)

Join us at our first annual Car Show on Sunday, September 23 at Lawrence and Harlem in the Art Van parking lot from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Enjoy viewing models of all kinds and all years, including classic, exotic and show-worthy vehicles. Proceeds from the show will benefit a local charity.

Spectators can park in the Parkway Bank lot. Car show participants will be directed to a show spot on the Art Van lot.

# **Recreation Center**

The new Recreation Center continues the build-out. The Center will offer a number of recreation activities that are conducted by our Youth Commission members. Other activities include Yoga, Dance, Fitness, Cooking demonstrations and new sport activities and programs for children, teens, adults and seniors. It will also offer a walking track and rental facilities for various residential parties and youth activity award programs. Movies and Safety Programs will also be offered.

We are looking to introduce the facility in December with an open house once all build-out and furnishings are completed. We will keep you posted.

# **Rodent Control**

The Village continues doing its best for rodent control. Rodents are attracted to open garbage cans, grease, litter, high grass, weeds, high shrubs on alleyways, etc. The Village has been placing bait stations in alleys and other areas where rodents have been reported. Please do <u>not</u> take these boxes as they are under contract. For safety reasons, keep pets away from these boxes and do not handle them as they are filled with poison pellets. All restaurants and grocery stores are always required to bate their refuse in alleys and refuse corrals.

It is important to keep grass and shrubs trimmed. Any schrubs or weeds in alleys will contribute to harbor rodents. All trash MUST be kept in closed garbage bins NOT on the pavement!

# **Keeping Alert**

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1. Keep car and garage doors locked at all times.

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3. When you see something that is not common practice on your block, call the police.

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# Village Fest

Can't believe a month went by since our Village Fest. We hope you enjoyed it. We have posted photos of the event in our lobby.

The purpose was to enjoy our Summer and to provide camaraderie of our community by offering music, games for kids and adults, an exotic pet show, face painting, food and bingo.

Thank you to those who attended and hope you had a good time. Thanks to our businesses who were so gracious by helping contribute to the Fest including those who provided gift certificates so lucky participants could enjoy the awards. We especially want to thank those who worked hard to make it another great event.

# Flooding

The heavy rain has flooded many of our streets and some basements. We continue to request funding from various government entities for flood relief. We have requested anyone with photographs to share them with us so we can compile and forward them to our engineer as supportive data to submit for grants. Thank you for your cooperation.

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# Recycling

Recycling procedures will be changing as soon as the end of September or early October. This affects all communities nationwide. Please see the new procedures below.

#### What's recyclable?

Plastics #1 thru #7 (Look for the number inside the recycles arrows.) Metal cans; aluminum foil and aluminum foil pans; cardboard; newspaper and magazines including catalogs, paperback books, phone books and brochures; food boxes including juice boxes, ice cream and paper milk containers; cereal and pasta boxes (make sure to remove the inside bags); envelopes, office paper, junk mail, greeting cards, file folders. shredded paper should be put in a paper bag. Glass: brown, green and clear.

When recycling, make sure it is **Empty, Clean & Dry** before placing into your recycle bins.

Items that <u>contaminate</u> your recycling are food, grease, liquids, plastic bags, lithium batteries, textiles, etc. If your recycling is rejected, you will receive a notice on your bin and all items will need to be put into your regular garbage container.

See flyer enclosed for acceptable items and those that are not. When in doubt...throw it out.



### Mark your Calendar:

### Recreation Center Open House

Sunday, December 16th Open House: 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

#### Sing-Along and Youth Christmas/ HolidayParty

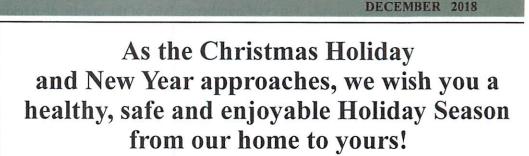
Sing-Along & Youth Party (For Harwood Heights residents only) 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Sign up by calling the Village Hall

### 2019 Village Calendar

The Village Calendar will be distributed in December as soon as printing is complete. Condo owners and rental units can pickup the 2019 calendar from the Village Hall.

#### Christmas & Holiday Decorating Contest

Have your lights on December 22 at 7:00 pm so our judges can select the 1st, 2nd & 3rd place winners!



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### **Christmas Decorating Contest**

MAYOR ARLENE JEZIERNY

Have your lights on **Saturday**, **December 22 at 7:00 pm** so our Trustees can judge our 1st, 2nd and 3rd place contestants. Winners will receive gift certificates from our local establishments!

# **Recreation Center - Open House**

All are welcome to join our Christmas and Holiday Celebration and explore the *new* Recreation Center to learn about activities available to residents. Pizza and Hors d'oeuvres will be served. Expanded parking will be available and the Village Bus will be in operation.

Sunday, December 16 from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Immediately following the Open House, we will celebrate the holidays with our Sing-Along with the Clerk together with the Village's Youth Christmas/Holiday Party.

Sunday, December 16 from 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Pizza will be served and Santa plans to arrive about 5:00 pm for the kids. Prizes will be awarded to winners of the coloring contest (ages 5-10.)

# Rodent Control - Important!

There have been citings of rodents in certain areas of the Village. It is important that everyone take steps to eliminate this nuisance. We are reminding all residents that any trash must be placed IN the garbage containers provided. Rodents are attracted to open garbage cans, grease, litter, high grass, weeds, high shrubs on alleyways, etc. The Village continues to place bait stations in alleys and other areas where rodents have been reported. However, homeowners must also do their part or tickets will be issued by our Inspectors for garbage in alleys, bird seed on the ground, other feeding of wild animals, and weeds along private property and alleyways, etc.

It is important to keep grass and shrubs trimmed. Schrubs and weeds in alley allow rodents to hide and build nests. All trash MUST be kept in closed garbage bins, NOT on the pavement!

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# Leaf Pick-Up

The final day for leaf and grass pick-up was November 30th. Our street sweeper will be out collecting leaves to keep them out of our sewers.

# Snow Removal - When do I move my car?

Effective December 1st, remember that any snowfall of 2" or more requires removal of your car so plows can clean the streets from 8:00 am - 4:00 pm. Here are the rules for when you must move your vehicle so the street can be plowed and you avoid a ticket.

On even-numbered dates of the month, no parking on the even side of the street. On odd-numbered dates of the month, no parking on the odd side of the street. If you are uncertain if your car should be moved, call our Snow hotline at 708-867-7605 and a recorded message will advise you.

Please DO NOT throw snow onto the streets. This defeats snowplowing efforts.

# **Snow Shovelers Wanted:**

Anyone interested in assisting our residents with snow removal and would like to be included on our snow listing, please call the Village Hall. Costs are determined between the shoveler and the resident.

### **Congratulations to the Halloween Decorating Contest Winners!**

The winners were located on the following blocks. Gift Certificates were sent for them to enjoy. Thank you to everyone for all your work.

#### East Side

4200 & 4300 blocks of New England	
4400 block of Neenah	
4700 block of Oak Park	
4700 block of Newcastle	
6400 block of Forest Preserve Dr.	

#### West Side

7600 block of Strong 5000 block of Odell 7400 block of Winona 7400 block of Carmen

# Keeping our Water Mains safe

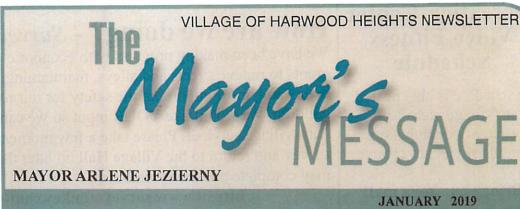
The Village had a number of waterbreaks in mid-November. We found this was caused by outside contractors opening our hydrants to obtain water. When not done properly, closing the hydrants can create a water hammer that impacts our mains resulting in water breaks. If you see anyone at our Hydrants, other than our Public Works department or Fire Department (if there is a fire), please call the police and report it.

# Fuller Car Wash

The construction of the Car Wash is nearing its completion. They anticipate a mid to late December opening. We look forward to another new business opportunity in our Village.

Once again, Happy Holidays & Merry Christmas!! And Best Wishes for a Healthy & Happy New Year





#### Mark your Calendar:

Recreation Center Opening January 15, 2019 (See Reverse Side for Video Fitness Schedule)

Hours of Operation: Mon-Fri: 9:00 am - 9:00pm Sat: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

### *New* 2019 Village Calendars

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# Wishing you and your families a year full of good health and joy - Happy New Year!

**Congratulations to our Christmas Decorating Winners** Thank you to all who gave us beautiful displays filled with holiday lights.

#### East Side

1st Place 1st Place (tie) 2nd Place 3rd Place 3rd Place (tie)

#### West Side

1st Place 2nd Place 3rd Place 3rd Place (tie) 6700 block of Senior Place 4400 block of Newcastle 4400 block of Nagle 4400 block of Newland 4300 block of New England

5000 block of Oconto 7400 block of Carmen 7600 block of Strong 4900 block of Octavia

## **Recreation Center**

The new Recreation Center officially opens **Tuesday, January 15**, **2019.** We hope you had an opportunity to view our facility during our Open House last month. Our Recreation Center allows participation with Exercise equipment, Video Fitness, Walking Track, Relaxation, Kids Corner, Youth Activity programs, and teen or adult competition in billards, ping pong, badminton or pickleball. See reverse side for the Video Fitness Schedule. Future schedules will be posted on our website.

# **Electric Company Marketing**

Currently those residents who have been on the Electric Aggregation program are now on ComEd because the ComEd rate is very competitive. There have been other electric companies soliciting your business. We want to caution you to be aware of cancellation fees and other charges that could occur when moving to another carrier. We will continue to monitor rates and when there is an opportunity to select another company with competitive rates, we will advise you.

### Recreation Center Video Fitness Schedule

The schedule is also posted on our Village website www.harwoodheights.org Schedule subject to change.

#### Bring your Yoga mat!

#### January & February Schedule

#### MONDAY

10:00a -Yoga Fit for Beginners Noon - Mat Pilates 2:00p - Dancer Refined Abs 4:00p - All That Jazz 6:00p - Everyday Yoga (2)

#### TUESDAY

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**Closed Sunday** 

# How are we doing? - Survey enclosed

We have been making progress with economic development, securing grants to repave streets and alleys, maintaining roads, lights, trees, water mains and, most important, the safety for our residents and school children. We would like YOUR input so we can obtain your satisfaction with Village services. Please take a few moments to complete the enclosed survey and return to the Village Hall no later than Feburary 9th. Or, you may complete the survey online at:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HH\_services It will help us to know how to better focus our efforts for the future.

We would like to know your concerns and make any positive adjustments where necessary. Surveys are anonymous unless you would like a return response to your comments or questions.

# Meet with your Village Board...

The Village Board team will be available to meet with you to discuss the survey results or any other concerns you may have. Join us at the Village Hall in our new meeting room on one of the following dates and times:

Feb 12 (Tues) – 6:30 pm March 3 (Sun) - 1:00 pm March 19 (Tues) – 6:30 pm

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# **Reminder - Snow Plowing**

We have been lucky thus far with the weather. However, please remember if we get 2 inches or more of snow, our snow ban goes into effect. Here are the rules when your car must be moved to allow for plowing: On **even**-numbered dates of the month, no parking on the even side of the street from 8:00 am - 4:00 pm On **odd**-numbered dates of the month,

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*Meet with the Board* **Tuesday, February 12** 6:30 pm at the Village Hall

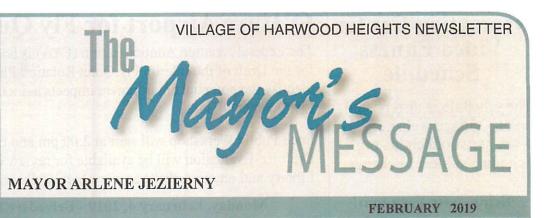
Safety Seminar Wednesday, March 13 1:00 pm and 6:30 pm at the Village Hall

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# Survey

We would like to thank those who took the time to fill out the survey sent to you last month. Your feedback is important and we want to hear from you. You can find and complete the survey on the village website. We want to include as many responses as possible when we report survey results during the "Meet the Village Board" events in the next two months.

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# Winter Snow!

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# **O'Hare Airport for Fly Quiet Plan**

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is hosting the following Workshops for the Draft of the Interim Fly Quiet Rotation Plan for O'Hare Airport. It will identify the potential environment impacts associated with the Proposed Interim Fly Quiet at O'Hare.

Each Public Workshop will start at 2:00 pm and conclude by 8:00 pm. The Draft Re-Evaluation will be available for review online at the Eisenhower Library and on our website at www.harwoodheights.org.

Monday, February 4, 2019 - Belvedere Events & Banquets 1170 W. Devon, Elk Grove Village, IL 60007

**Tuesday, February 5, 2019 - White Eagle Banquets** 6839 N. Milwaukee Ave., Niles, IL 60714

Wednesday, February 6, 2019 - Hanging Gardens 8301 W. Belmont Ave., River Grove, IL 60171

**Thursday, February 7, 2019 - The Diplomat West** 681 W. North Ave., Elmhurst, IL 60126

# **Recreation Center**

A ribbon cutting ceremony marked the official opening of the Village Recreation Center. The facility offers a Fitness Room with exercise equipment, Wellness Room with Video workouts, Walking Track, Relaxation Area, Card Games, TVs, Billiards, Ping Pong, and opportunities to play Chess, Checkers, Pickleball or Badminton based on your scheduling with the Recreation Center Desk. Call 708-667-7092.

If you have not yet visited the Recreation Center, stop in! We hope you will join and use the facility. Resident membership is \$10/month; yearly membership offers 1 month free and 3 daily guest passes. It is a perfect place to meet your fellow neighbors and plan activities.

There will be more to come as classes are scheduled for art lessons for adults/children, cooking demonstrations, hobby creations and crafts. We will keep you posted as each is planned.





### Mark your Calendar:

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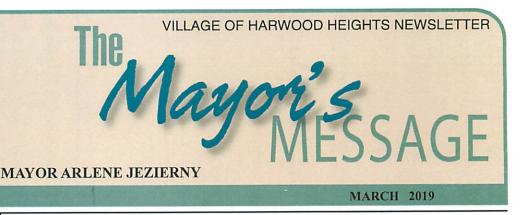
The MARCH schedule is posted on our website at: www.harwoodheights.org, as well as at the desk in our Recreation Center.

Note: Some programs may require a Yoga mat.

#### Crime Prevention Seminars

The next Seminars given by our Deputy Chief and Sergeant are scheduled for Wednesday, March 13 at 1:00 pm and 6:30 pm Please join us to get the latest updates on scams and safety ideas.

*Meet with the Board* **Tuesday, March 19** 6:30 pm at the Village Hall



# Survey Feedback:

Thank you for your input!

Your feedback showed that over 90% of surveys received gave an overall favorable rating of our services. Although this is good news, your comments provided specific feedback that we can address and work toward improving. We are addressing some of those concerns below and will feature more next month.

**Potholes** - Each year, especially after winter months, potholes emerge. Weather plays a role when we can make repairs. There are a couple of streets that require full repaying and we are applying for funding for those. In the meantime, we are doing our best until such time when they can be resurfaced. Please follow the street maintenance signs on your block from April 1 - December 1 as this allows Public Works to do work without parked cars in their way.

**Garbage** - Some residents would like additional recycling pickups. However, this would increase the overall cost. Some would like us to eliminate the garbage fee altogether, but the cost to the Village is already over \$600,000. Currently we do a cost share on the garbage fee. If anyone requires additional recycle pickups, additional recycle cans may be ordered by calling the refuse company directly. There's a nominal monthly charge as opposed to adding a village-wide collection and increasing fees overall.

**Snow blocking driveways & garages:** This is a common complaint with all villages. We make several passes down the street as snow continues to fall and also to plow all the way to the curb as best as possible. This is important so that water can drain into the sewers when snow melts. Residents are happy that their alleys are plowed. We generally do this when snow reaches higher levels. Unfortunately, that pushes snow toward garages and creates additional work. When snow is over 6" or more, we contract with external contractors to provide buckets to take away as much snow as possible.

**Flooding/Alleys/Streets:** We continue to apply for funding opportunities to address these issues. We constantly visit with our State & Federal officials and contacts and comply with all the required paperwork when applying for grants. As funding is approved, a process takes place to fulfill all the IDOT and Federal rules including bidding, etc.

# **Time Change**

Don't forget to move your clocks ahead 1 hour on Sunday. March 10 at 2:00 am. Hopefully that means Spring is just around the corner!

# **Street** Maintenance

April 1st begins Street Maintenance when Public Works can begin repairs and street sweeping. Please follow the posted parking signs on your block.

# **O'Hare Airport Fly Quiet Plan**

attended the workshops hosted by O'Hare and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). After all comments are reviewed and approvals obtained, rotation of runways could commence by November, 2019. This rotation will provide some noise relief during nighttime hours between 10:30 pm - 5:30 am. The proposed plan was presented at these workshops.

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# **Cook County Property Assessment**

Residents recently received notice of their Tri-annual Assessment from the Assessor's office. Most have seen an increase in their Estimated Fair Market Value. The Tax Assessor's Office is conducting a seminar which will be held at Ridgewood High School on Thursday, March 14 from 6:00 pm -7:30 pm. Bring your previous tax bills with you.

If you have questions about the notice, appeals or exemptions, you can call the Assessor's Office at 312-443-7550 or go on-line to: www.cookcountyassessor.com/contact. Deadline is March 25th for appeals.

Harwood Heights will also be conducting a seminar, as we do each year, with the Board of Review sometime in the Fall to assist with your appeal.

# **Recreation Center**

MARCH - We are providing t-shirts for anyone signing up for an annual membership. There is a limited supply available so shirts will be distributed on a first-come basis. Shirts are provded by Matrix workout equipment.

Thank you to our residents who APRIL - The first 100 members will each receive a water bottle, compliments of the Village.

### Thanks to our businesses who contributed to our Fitness equipment

**PLATINUM Level** Parkway Bank **Bandesh** Patel Carstens Health Industries Red Speed Harlem-Foster Mobil Harwood Heights Shell Lawrence Screw Products Safe Speed Rocco Vinos

**GOLD** Level Cucino Biagio **Family Palace** 

#### SILVER Level

A-1 Professional Automotive Accu-Cut Diamond Cafe DiMaggio **Republic Services Culvers** Harwood Heights Auto Body Landmark Pub

**Ouality Control** 

# Village Vehicle Stickers

Vehicle Stickers will go on sale in April and must be adhered to the front passenger window of your vehicle by May 1st. Vehicle applications will be mailed April 1st. Please bring it with you to purchase your sticker.

# **YOGA** for Wellness

West Suburban Special Recreation offers Yoga classes to improve flexibility, balance, breathing, and concentration with gentle stretching. WSSRA's Yoga is taught in a seated position in chairs here at the Village Hall. Next session is: April 9 - May 14 from 10:00 am-11:15am The fee is \$19.50. Call Kelly to register at 847-455-2100

#### Part D. Summary of Year 17 Stormwater Activities

(Present a summary of the storm water activities you plan to undertake during the next reporting cycle, including an implementation schedule in the sections following the table.)

The table below indicates the stormwater management activities that the MS4 plans to undertake during Year 17. Additional information about the stormwater management activities that the MS4 will perform during Year 17 is provided in the section following the table.

Year 17		
MS4		
A. Pu	blic E	ducation and Outreach
X	A.1	Distributed Paper Material
	A.2	Speaking Engagement
	A.3	Public Service Announcement
	A.4	Community Event
	A.5	Classroom Education Material
	A.6	Other Public Education
B. Pu		articipation/Involvement
	<b>B.1</b>	Public Panel
	<b>B.2</b>	Educational Volunteer
	<b>B.3</b>	Stakeholder Meeting
X X	<b>B.4</b>	Public Hearing
Χ	<b>B.5</b>	Volunteer Monitoring
	<b>B.6</b>	Program Coordination
	<b>B.</b> 7	Other Public Involvement
		scharge Detection and
Eli	iminat	tion
X	C.1	Storm Sewer Map Preparation
X		Regulatory Control Program
Х	C.3	<b>Detection/Elimination Prioritization</b>
		Plan
	C.4	Illicit Discharge Tracing Procedures
X	C.5	Illicit Source Removal Procedures
	C.6	Program Evaluation and Assessment
X	<b>C.7</b>	Visual Dry Weather Screening
	<b>C.8</b>	Pollutant Field Testing
	<b>C.9</b>	Public Notification
	C.10	Other Illicit Discharge Controls

Year 17	
MS4	
D. Co	nstruction Site Runoff Control
Х	D.1 Regulatory Control Program
Х	D.2 Erosion and Sediment Control BMPs
	D.3 Other Waste Control Program
Х	D.4 Site Plan Review Procedures
X	D.5 Public Information Handling Procedures
X	D.6 Site Inspection/Enforcement Procedures
	D.7 Other Construction Site Runoff Controls
E. Pos	t-Construction Runoff Control
	E.1 Community Control Strategy
Х	E.2 Regulatory Control Program
Х	E.3 Long Term O&M Procedures
Х	E.4 Pre-Const Review of BMP Designs
Х	E.5 Site Inspections During Construction
Х	E.6 Post-Construction Inspections
	E.7 Other Post-Const Runoff Controls
	lution Prevention/Good Housekeeping
X	F.1 Employee Training Program
X	F.2 Inspection and Maintenance Program
X	F.3 Municipal Operations Storm Water Control
Х	F.4 Municipal Operations Waste Disposal
$\frac{X}{X}$	F.5 Flood Management/Assess Guidelines

#### Note: X indicates BMPs committed to for Year 17.

#### Stormwater Management Activities: Year 17

During Year 17, the Village of Harwood Heights plans to continue to perform a variety of stormwater management activities, as described in the MS4's SMPP and in brief below. The MS4's SMPP is attached for reference.

#### A. Public Education and Outreach

The MS4 is committed to implementing the Public Education and Outrach component of its SMPP. The MS4's Public Education and Outrach program includes: the distribution of educational material to the community or conducting equivalent outreach activities about the impacts of stormwater discharges on water bodies and the steps that the public can take to reduce those impacts; supporting classroom education; supporting storm drain stenciling efforts; and supporting SWALCO events.

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP.

#### **B.** Public Participation/Involvement

The MS4 is committed to implementing the Public Participation/Involvement component of its SMPP. The MS4's Public Participation/Involvement program includes: maintaining a process for receiving and processing citizen input; attending and publicizing stakeholder meetings; presenting program information at a public meeting at least once annually; and publicizing Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) reporting contact numbers.

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP.

#### C. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

The MS4 will conduct activities related to the IDDE minimum control measure. According to the IEPA's General NPDES Permit No. ILR40, the MS4's IDDE program must include:

- A storm sewer system map showing the locations of all outfalls and the names and locations of all waters that receive discharges from those outfalls;
- An ordinance or other regulatory mechanism that prohibits all non-stormwater discharges into the storm sewer system and provides the authority for appropriate enforcement procedures and actions;
- A plan to detect and address all non-stormwater discharges, including illegal dumping, into the storm sewer system;
- A program to educate public employees, businesses, and the general public about the hazards associated with illegal discharges and improper disposal of waste; and
- Periodic (annual is recommended) inspection of storm sewer outfalls for detection of non-stormwater discharges and illegal dumping.

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP.

#### **D.** Construction Site Runoff Control

Cook County has adopted a countywide Watershed Management Ordinance (WMO) that establishes the minimum stormwater management requirements for development in Cook County. The WMO, which is administered and enforced within the community by the Village, establishes standards for construction site runoff control.

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP. Enforce the WMO.

#### E. Post-Construction Runoff Control

As described above, the countywide WMO establishes the minimum stormwater management requirements for development in Cook County. The WMO establishes standards for post-construction site runoff control. These standards apply to any new development or redevelopment resulting in over 0.5 acres (21,780 ft<sup>2</sup>) of new impervious area. The MS4's SMPP also includes inspection procedures for pre-WMO developments, streambanks and shorelines, streambeds, and detention/retention ponds.

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP. Enforce the WMO.

#### F. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping

The MS4 is committed to implementing the Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping component of its SMPP. The MS4's Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping program includes: the evaluation and improvement of municipal policies and procedures to reduce the discharge of pollutants from municipal activities and operations; and a training program for municipal employees.

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP.

#### Part E. Notice of Qualifying Local Program

The Village is not relying on any other government entity to satisfy permit obligations.

## Part F. Construction Projects Conducted During Year 16 (Provide a list of construction projects your entity has paid for during the reporting period.)

There were no projects funded by the Village during Year 16 over 1 acre.