



*Welcome to the  
State of the Village Address*

*November 1, 2012*

# In Pictures: America's 20 Most Stable Housing Markets



**Forbes**  
com

## **La Grange Park, Ill.**

Median home value: \$273,000

Average change (2010): 0.7%

Percentage of homes sold (annualized): 2.3%

Chicago, Ill., metro area

Home values in tiny La Grange Park are up only slightly in 2010, but they compare favorably to the overall Chicago metro area, where values have declined each quarter this year.

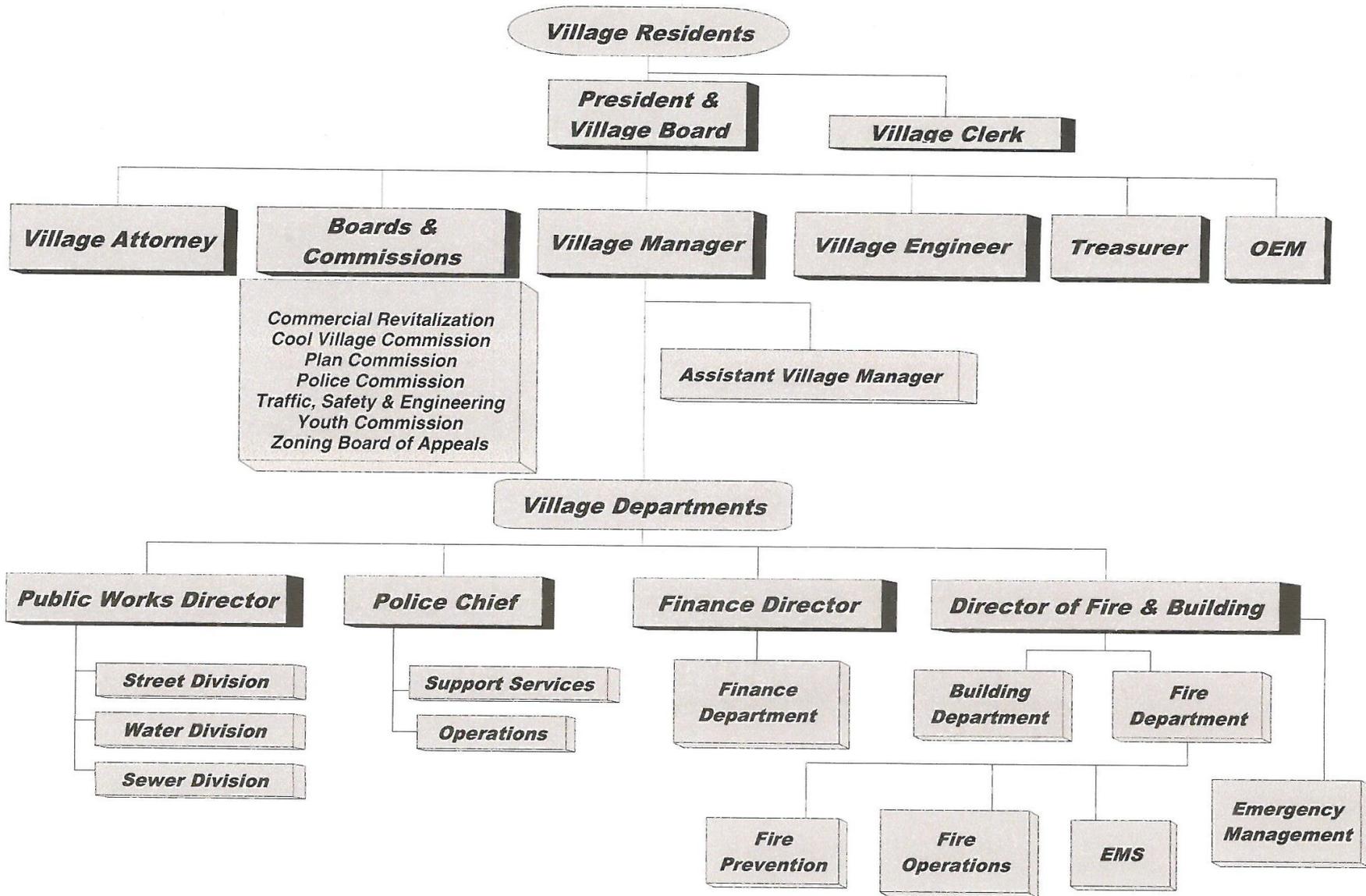




# *Boards, Committees & Commissions*

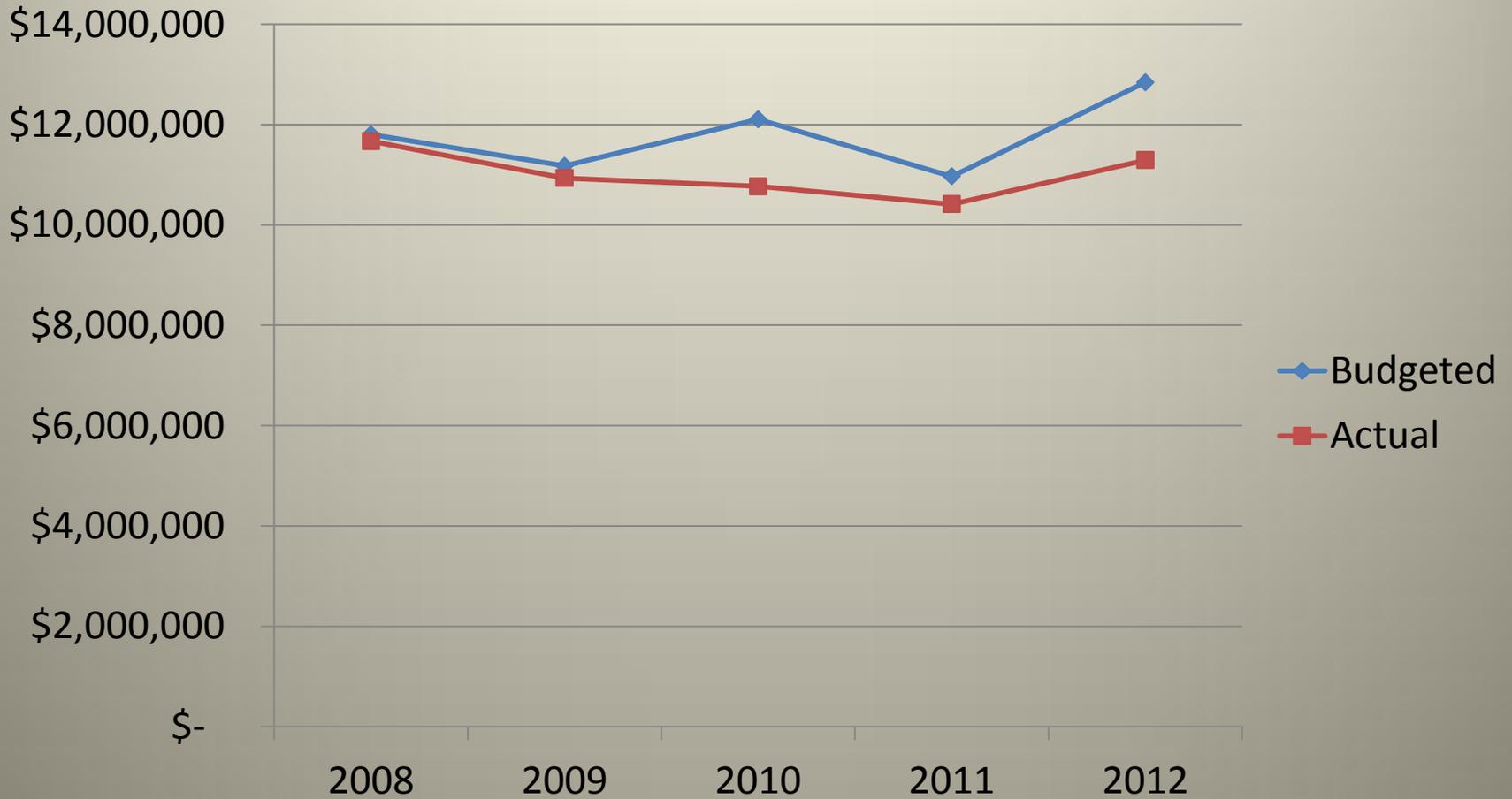
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- Board of Police Commissioners
- Cool Village Commission
- Youth Commission
- Commercial Revitalization Committee
- Police Pension Fund
- Public Works Garage Committee
- Traffic, Safety & Engineering Committee
- Engineering & Capital Projects Committee
- Finance Committee

# Village of La Grange Park Organizational Chart



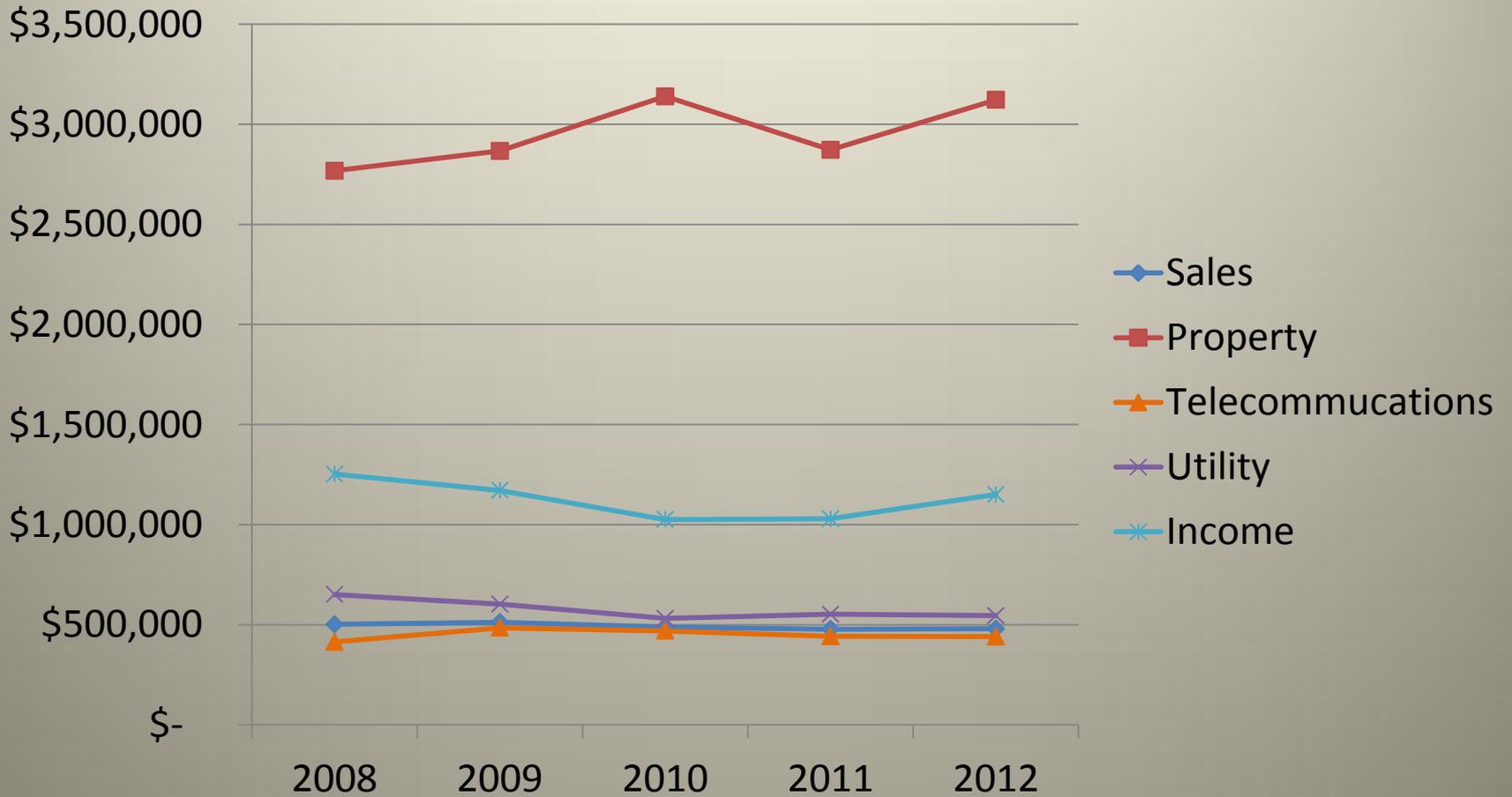
# Village Expenditures

*Fiscal Years 2008-2012*



# Village Tax Revenues

*Fiscal Years 2008-2012*



# *Village Budget*

- Current budget \$14 million
- 16.8% increase over last year
- Increase due to large capital projects
- Revenues projected to remain flat

The Village needs to ensure that its recouping the costs of the services it provides.

# *Municipal Aggregation*



- Benefits residents and small business owners
- 97.7% participation rate (of eligible accounts)
- First Energy rate = 4.93 cents/kw hour
- ComEd rate = 8.5 cents/kw hour
- Annual household savings = \$330

# *Lighting Upgrades - Village Hall*

*\$20,908 in grants*



# Lighting Upgrades - Public Works

*\$21,707 in grants*



# Public Works Garage Renovation

*\$600,000 in grants*

- Cost = \$1 million
- 60% grant funded
- Renovation to begin in 2013
- Includes:
  - Removing hazardous materials
  - Cleaning up gun range
  - Replacing windows
  - Upgrading mechanical systems
  - Stabilizing/enhancing facade
- Completion by Winter 2014



# *Public Works Garage Renovation*



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# Water Pumps

*\$13,800 in grants*



# *Street Resurfacing*



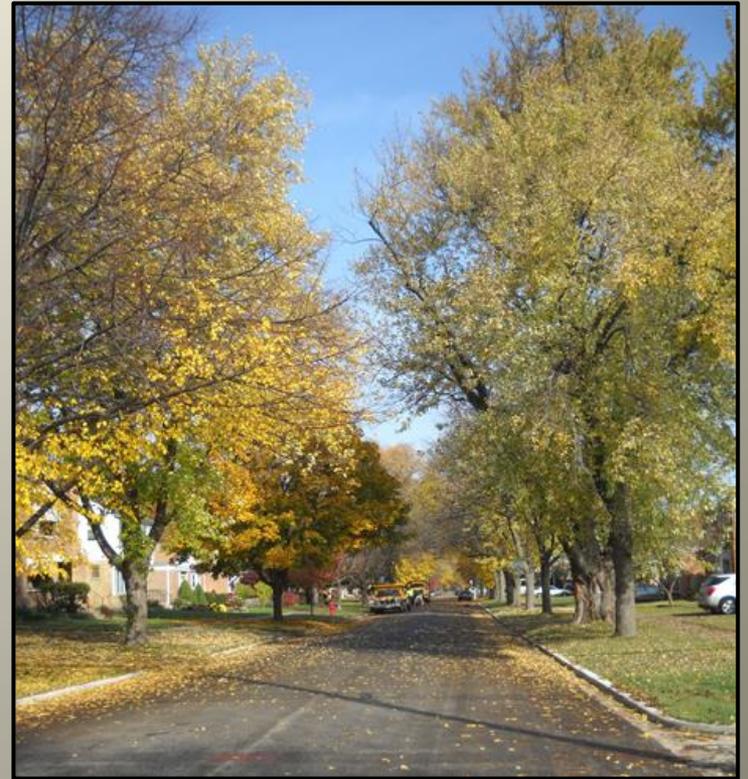
# *South La Grange Road Water Main Replacement*

*\$500,000 in grants*



# Parkway Tree Planting

*\$15,000 in grants*



# *Flood Mitigation*



# Flood Mitigation

## Village of La Grange Park

### Flood Response and Recovery Incident Action Plan



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### Resident's Guide to Flooding Conditions

#### Flooding & Emergency Preparedness

##### Know Your Flood Terms

- **Flood Watch:** Flooding is possible. Tune in to NOAA Weather Radio, commercial radio, or television for information.
- **Flash Flood Watch:** Flash flooding is possible. Be prepared to move to higher ground; listen to NOAA Weather Radio, commercial radio, or television for information.
- **Flood Warning:** Flooding is occurring or will occur soon; if advised to evacuate, do so immediately.
- **Flash Flood Warning:** A flash flood is occurring; seek higher ground on foot immediately.

##### Resident Instructions

###### **Before a Flood – Educate Yourself**

###### **Safeguard your possessions**

Create a personal "flood file" containing information about all your possessions and keep it in a secure place, such as a safe deposit box or waterproof container. This file should have the following items:

1. A copy of your insurance policies with your agent's contact information.
2. Conduct a household inventory. For insurance purposes, be sure to keep a written and a visual (i.e. videotaped or photographed) record of all major household items and valuables, even those stored in basements, attics or garages. Create files that include serial numbers and store receipts for major appliances and electronics. Have jewelry and artwork appraised. These documents are critically important when filing insurance claims. For more information visit [www.knowyourstuff.org](http://www.knowyourstuff.org).
3. Copies of all other critical documents, including finance records or receipts of major purchases.

###### **Prepare your house**

1. First make sure your sump pump is working and then install a battery-operated backup, in case of a power failure. Installing a water alarm will also let you know if water is accumulating in your basement.
2. Clear debris from gutters and downspouts.

# Police Department



# Police Department

*\$90,000 in grants*



# *Parking Fees & Fines Collection*



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# Shared Services Study



# Fire Department



# Fire Department



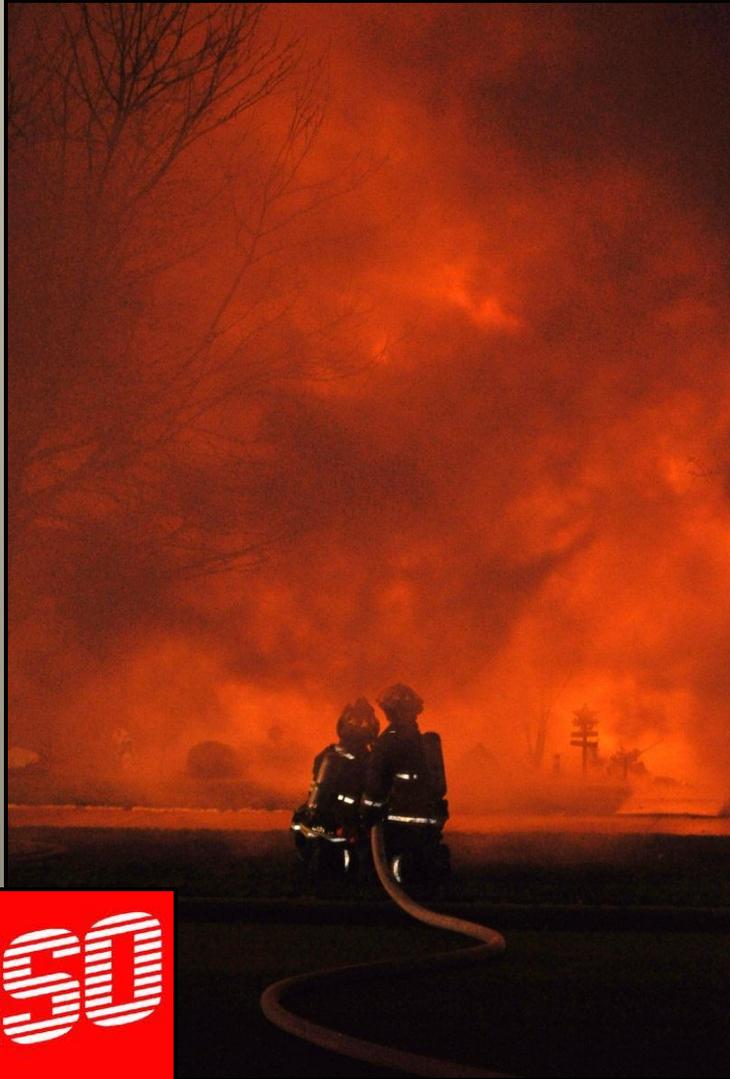
# *Fire Department*



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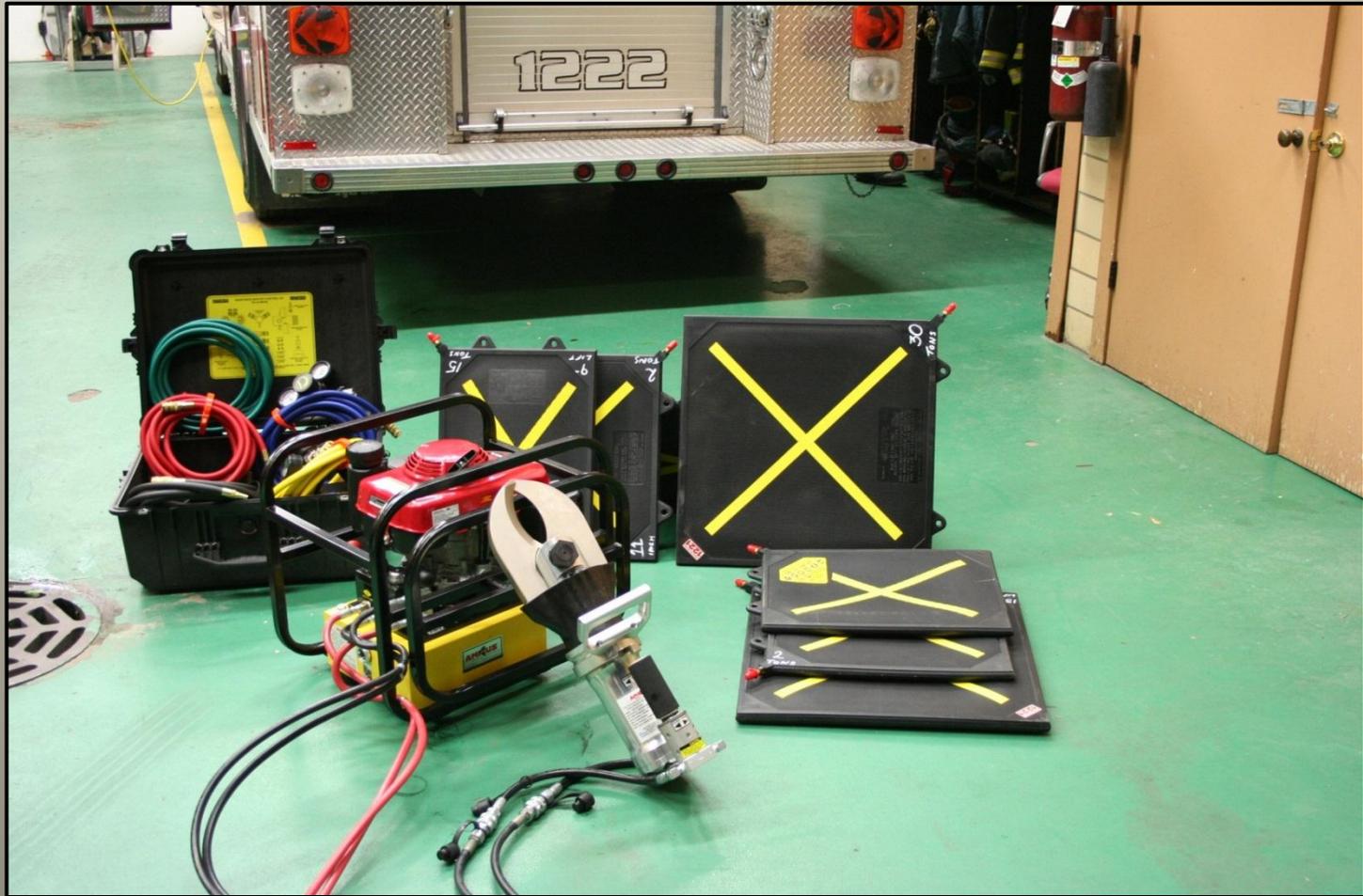


# Fire Department



# Rescue Tools

*\$20,335 in grants*



# *Administration*



# E-Briefs



**Village of La Grange Park** **October 26, 2012**



**Welcome to E-Briefs**

*Welcome to the Village of La Grange Park's Community E-Briefs! You are receiving the E-Briefs because you have requested this service. You will notice that the Community E-Briefs is coming to you through Constant Contact. If you wish to discontinue receiving the E-Briefs, please click on the SafeUnsubscribe link at the bottom of this email.*

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**VILLAGE NEWS**

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**Trick-or-Treating Reminder**

The Village celebrates Halloween on Wednesday, October 31st with trick-or-treat hours from 3 pm to 8 pm. Please check your Rose Clippings for safety tips! Please be respectful of your neighbors and do not allow your children to trick-or-treat past 8 pm.

**State of the Village**

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**Upcoming Ribbon Cuttings**

Please join the Village in celebrating these two momentous occasions on Friday, November 2nd!

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### Calendar

October 2012						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
30	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3

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Read more...

### Agendas & Minutes

## Welcome

The Village of La Grange Park strives to provide up-to-date information on Village services that enhance residents' quality of life. Please visit our site regularly for updates on Village news, community events, and issues impact our community.

If you find there is information missing from our site or if certain information is difficult to find, please contact the Site Administrator by clicking [here](#). Your comments are important to the continued development of the Village Web site.

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### Additional Opportunities for E-Waste Recycling & Community Clean-Up

For those residents who may have missed an opportunity to participate in the Village's annual Community Clean-Up Day and E-Waste Recycling event, the Village will be providing two additional opportunities to participate.

- Community Clean Up Day:** The Village has talked with our waste hauler and they have agreed to host a second pick up day on March 21<sup>st</sup>, at no additional cost. The same program parameters will apply.
- Electronics Recycling:** The Village will provide an additional opportunity to recycle electronic items during the month of January. Additional details will be provided at a future date.

### Halloween Trick-or-Treat

Halloween in La Grange Park is celebrated on October 31st, with "Trick-or-Treating" hours from 3:00 p.m. until 8 p.m. Everyone wants to have a safe and happy Halloween for themselves, their guests and their children. Please click [here](#) for the Village's safety tips for an enjoyable Halloween season for you and your family.

### Village's Flood Mitigation Report Now Available

The rain event of July 2010 brought to light the challenges associated with the Village's combined sewer system. As a result, the Village has taken a keen look at the Village's Storm Water Drainage system and the types of relief that could be used in certain areas of the Village. In December 2010, the Engineering and Capital Projects Committee reconvened to take a close look at options available to mitigate the impacts of flooding on the Village. The Committee met on six occasions to discuss a number of potential strategies for implementation. Those strategies are identified in the Flood Mitigation Report, which is now available for residents to download on the Village website by clicking [here](#).

### Fall Leaf Collection Begins October 15th

The Village leaf pick-up program will begin the week of October 15th on a rotating schedule. You can always dispose of your leaves through the Village's yard waste program (click [here](#) for details) or you can opt for the leaf pick-up program. Click [here](#) for details on the leaf collection program.

### Haunted Trolley Trick or Treat - October 26th

The La Grange Park Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring its first ever Haunted Trolley Trick or Treat Event. This free event will be held Friday, October 26th from 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm. Parents and children are invited to hop on a trolley at one of several locations, including the La Grange Park Community Park District Facility, the Village Market, and locations along 31st Street. The trolleys will travel along a designated route

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(Maximum \$400 charge)

### News

**Village Trustee Susan Storcel Resigns**  
Thursday, October 25, 2012

**Village to Conduct a Shared Services Study**  
Wednesday, October 10, 2012

**Flood Mitigation Report Now Available**  
Wednesday, October 10, 2012

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# *La Grange Park Post Office Branch*



# Cool Village Commission



# Emissions Inventories

## Village of LaGrange Park

2009 Community-Wide  
Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory



### Narrative Report

Produced by the Cool Village Commission  
August 2011

In Collaboration with



## Village of La Grange Park

2009 Government Operations  
Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory



### Narrative Report

Produced by: Cool Village Commission  
September 19, 2011



# Sustainability Plan

## Village of La Grange Park Sustainability Plan

March 2012



Produced by:  
The Village of La Grange Park  
**Cool Village Commission**



# E-Waste Recycling



# Rain Barrel & Compost Bin Sale



# Commercial Revitalization Action Plan

Action Item	Classification	Activity Update
Create a "New Business Handbook" or "Business Resource Guide"	Level 1	The Administration and Building Departments are currently working on this

Create a "New Business Checklist" to guide procedures and processes (To be included in the Handbook)
Create and promote a list of advantages of La Grange Park
Initiate code enforcement against commercial blighted
Work with local property owners to encourage improvements
Hold forum with community stakeholders
Collect data on home businesses
Identify potential economic development business location in La Grange Park
Encourage and/or provide additional parking corridor
Develop a Business Retention Survey to obtain information on Village needs and desires
Develop a marketing campaign
Create Village Marketing Materials
Create a web link or interface to provide information on properties
Create a weblink or interface for local businesses

## Commercial Revitalization Plan Implementation Matrix

Action Item	Classification	Activity Update
Attend ribbon-cutting events	Ongoing	This effort has been sporadic in the past. A formal process should be put in place identifying who will attend ribbon-cuttings and how potential attendees will be notified.
Check on local businesses during emergencies or times of crisis	Ongoing	Staff recently checked in with businesses during the July 1st power outages
Attend La Grange Park Chamber of Commerce Meetings	Ongoing	The Assistant Village Manager attends all monthly Chamber Board of Directors meetings as well as all monthly member meetings.
Utilize local businesses and services when possible	Ongoing	The Village already strives to do this, as permitted by law.
Send out press releases on new businesses	Ongoing	To be implemented.
Explore additional ways to promote shop local campaign	Ongoing	The Village currently promotes shop local through the E-Briefs and Rose Clippings and the LGP Chamber promotes it through street light banners.
Utilize E-briefs & Rose Clippings to highlight businesses	Ongoing	Administrative staff continually requests businesses submit information for inclusion in the E-briefs. Beginning in 2012, each quarterly edition of the Rose Clippings has included a full-page highlighting new and existing businesses in the community.
Utilize Forbes.com "Named Among America's 20 Most Stable Housing Markets 2010" designation	Ongoing	This designation is currently noted on the Village website, on Village entryway signs, on promotional letters, etc.
Attend industry events and conferences and engage with local commercial realtors	Ongoing	The Assistant Village Manager will be attending ICSC's dealmaking event in Chicago in October
Invite key property managers and business owners to CRC meetings	Ongoing	TBI
Recognize business milestones within the community	Ongoing	TBI
Periodically meet with business owners/managers	Level 1	Village staff has reached out to the corporate owner of Village Market and is working to arrange an on-site meeting.
Invite businesses to speak at Village Board meetings	Level 1	TBI
Develop and maintain a comprehensive list of all businesses in the Village and make it available to residents	Level 1	TBI
Publish a Top Ten Employers List	Level 1	TBI

# Commercial Revitalization Committee



## Top Ten Reasons to do Business in La Grange Park

**Centrally Located.** La Grange Park is located south of I-290, east of I-294 and north of I-55, just 16 miles west of the Chicago Loop, providing local businesses with tremendous access to the region and the nation.

**High Demand Area.** La Grange Park has low commercial vacancy rates and benefits from its close proximity to downtown La Grange and the Metra station.

**Broad Customer Base.** There are over 300,000 residents with an average income of \$88,000 within a five mile radius of La Grange Park.

**Lower Taxes.** La Grange Park has the lowest sales tax rate of our six surrounding communities.

**Strong Housing Market.** La Grange Park was voted one of the top 20 most stable housing markets in the United States (the only community in Illinois) by Forbes Magazine in December 2010.

**High Quality of Life.** La Grange Park employees and residents enjoy a high quality life that is the result of diverse recreational opportunities, superior municipal services and access to a diverse commercial economy.

**Pro-Business Environment.** La Grange Park believes that the success of its business community is vital to the success of the community. Village staff is available to assist you with all aspects of your operations from identifying a new location to advertising opportunities.

**Strong Support Network.** The La Grange Park Business Association, which has over 50 members, and the Western Suburban Chamber of Commerce and Industry, which has over 400 members, partner with La Grange Park to support and benefit local businesses.

**Proven Track Record.** La Grange Park has number of businesses which are leaders in their industries and whose success in the community has led to multiple expansions and record year-over-year sales figures.

**Staff with Answers.** Contact the Village of La Grange Park today for more information at [erodman@lagrangepark.org](mailto:erodman@lagrangepark.org).



La Grange Park is an up-scale, established community located in the western suburbs of Chicago.



## Demographics

Population (2010 Census):  
13,579

Population - 5 Mile Radius:  
300,000 (approx.)

Median Age (2010):  
43.9

Median Household Income (2006-2010):  
\$73,390

Median Home Value (2010):  
\$367,400

Location: 16 miles west of Chicago's loop in Proviso Township

Area: 2.2 square miles;  
1,536 acres

Average Daily Traffic Counts:

La Grange Road & 31st Street Intersection:  
40,000

31st Street & Kemman Avenue:  
15,600

La Grange Road at Village Market:  
24,200



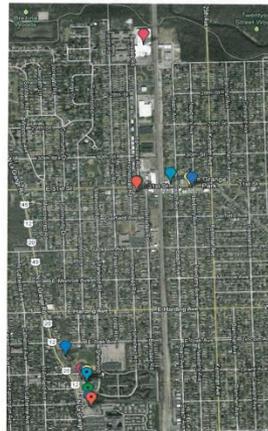
# International Council of Shopping Centers

ICSC 2012 **CHICAGO** DEAL MAKING  
 Navy Pier • October 3-4, 2012



## Properties for lease in La Grange Park, IL

-  333 N La Grange Rd  
La Grange Park, IL 60526
-  335 N La Grange Rd  
La Grange Park, IL 60526
-  359 N La Grange Rd  
La Grange Park, IL 60526
-  415 N La Grange Rd  
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-  419 N La Grange Rd  
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-  425 N La Grange Rd  
La Grange Park, IL 60526
-  436 N La Grange Rd  
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-  531 N La Grange Rd  
La Grange Park, IL 60526
-  710 E 31st St  
La Grange Park, IL 60526
-  712 E 31st St  
La Grange Park, IL 60526
-  909 E 31st St  
La Grange Park, IL 60526
-  1016 E 31st St  
La Grange Park, IL 60526
-  1018 E 31st St  
La Grange Park, IL 60526
-  825 26th St  
La Grange Park, IL 60526



## 333 N La Grange Road La Grange Park, IL 60526

333 N. La Grange Park  
 400 - 750 sq ft, electricity included



- 750 square feet - Office Space

Inexpensive office space, electricity included. Located in the Village Market just minutes from the train. With easy access to I-290, I-294, and I-55. Plenty of available parking.

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 447 N Catherine Avenue  
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# Business Resource Guide

## Business Resource Guide



A guide for operating,  
expanding or starting your business in  
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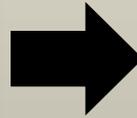
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# Beach Avenue Parking Lot

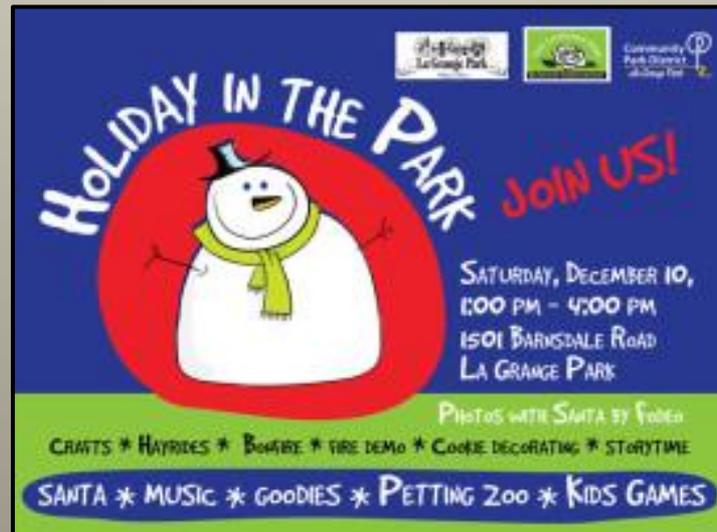
*\$100,000 in grants*



# *La Grange Park Chamber of Commerce*



# LGP Chamber Events



# LGP Chamber Events

**SAVE THE DATE!** It's the 2nd Annual La Grange Park Amateur  
**CHILLI COOK-OFF, DECEMBER 7, 2012**

At The Village Market, 425 N. La Grange Road

Be a contestant  
**JUST \$20**  
to enter!

You could win  
**\$500.**



**JUST \$25**  
To have a business table

**BE A SPONSOR**  
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recognition!

Questions? Call Maureen Barrett 312-209-7173  
or email [Maureen@daprileproperties.com](mailto:Maureen@daprileproperties.com)

All proceeds benefit the



# LGP Chamber Events

HAUNTED TROLLEY  
TRICK OR TREAT



FRIDAY,  
OCTOBER 26  
4 TO 6:30 PM

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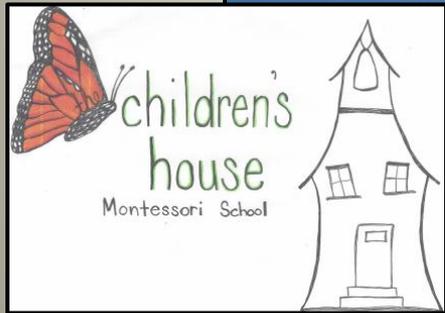


# Shop Local Banner Program



# The Children's House Montessori School

1115 3<sup>rd</sup> Street



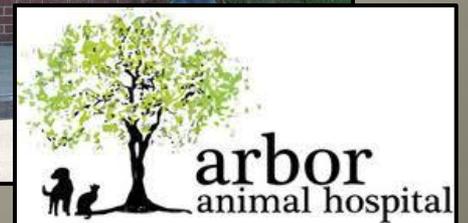
# Premier Design & Cabinetry

1118 3rd Street



# Arbor Animal Hospital

14 3<sup>rd</sup> Street



# Hertz Local Edition

1118 3<sup>rd</sup> Street



# *Accounting Services Association*

*1901 3rd Street*



# Dina's Great Cuts

718 3<sup>rd</sup> Street



*Subway*

*722 3<sup>rd</sup> Street*



# Back in Balance

440 Sherwood



# *Oasis Women's Fitness and Spa*

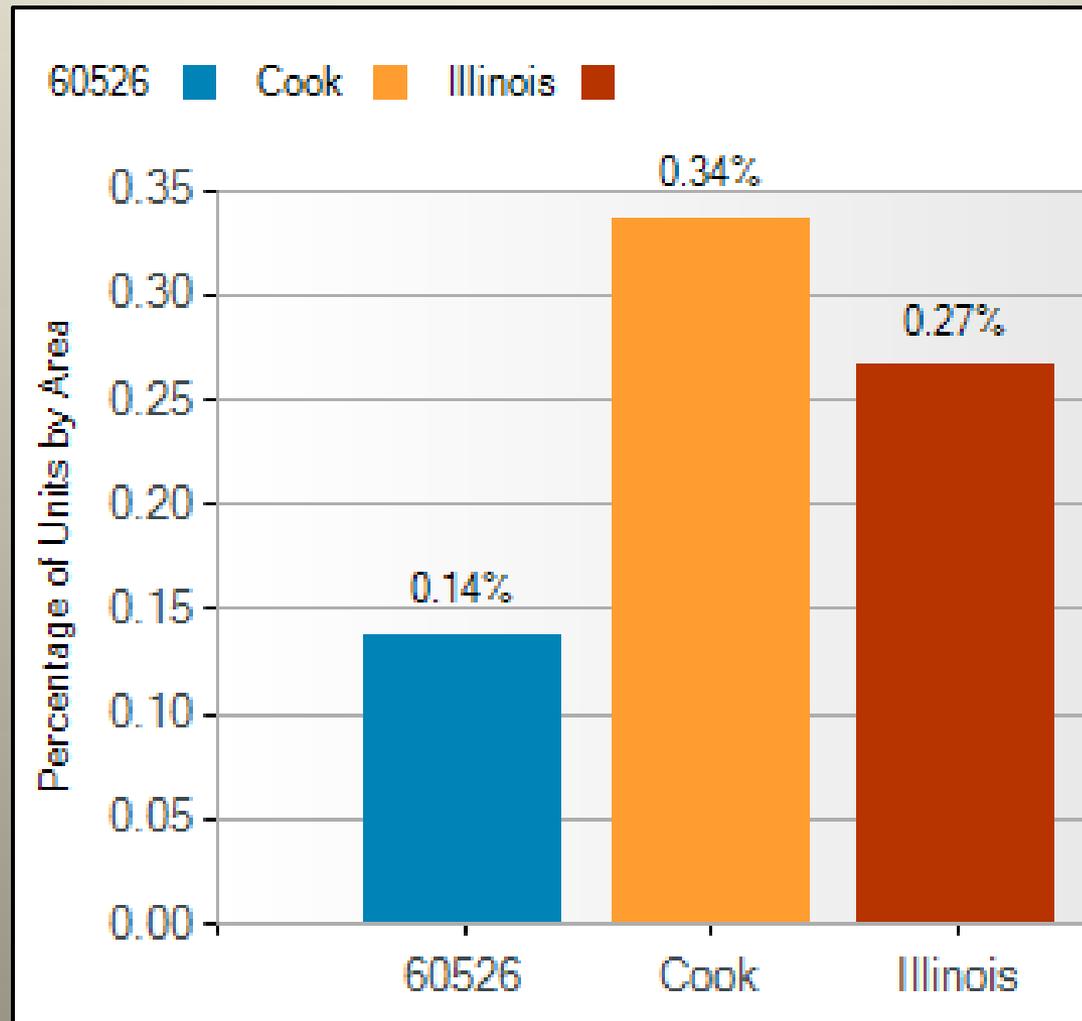
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# Housing Market Recovery



# Foreclosures



# *Community Park District of La Grange Park*



# Park District Sign



# Beach Oak Park



# Intergovernmental Partnership



## La Grange Park Ice Rink

Park District of La Grange Park will open an ice rink at Memorial Park! Opening the facility will require 3-4 days of below freezing weather conditions. A **green** "flag" at the site will indicate that the rink is open and a **red** "flag" will indicate when the ice rink is closed.

For schedule & rules, go to [www.cpdlgp.org](http://www.cpdlgp.org) or phone the Park District office 708-354-4580. The hot line message will also report skating conditions – Call 708-354-4580 - extension 300.



# *Library*



# *Accessibility Improvements*



# *Bioswale*



# Children's Department



# *Thank You Community Partners*

- Businesses
- Taxing Bodies
- Community Organizations
- Residents

*Thank you!*

# *Village Staff*

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Village Manager

Emily Rodman

Assistant Village Manager

Pierre Garesche

Director of Finance

Brendan McLaughlin

Director of Public Works

Dean Maggos

Director of Fire & Building

Daniel McCollum

Chief of Police

# *Mission Statement*

The Village of La Grange Park is committed to providing its citizens effective and efficient government services in a fiscally responsible manner. The Village encourages cooperation among its staff, Board, and other units of government in order to assess community needs and to determine the most effective manner in which to meet those needs. While committed to maintaining a professional and responsive atmosphere, the Village must weigh individual needs against community standards and resources to determine what is in the best interest of all its residents.