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### **No Shuttle Service on July 4**

The Village of Oak Park's free shuttle service will not operate on Independence Day, Sunday, July 4. The two conversion vans, each equipped with a wheelchair lift, operate seven days a week, except major holidays such as the Fourth of July. The shuttle will operate on Mon., July 5, however, even though most governmental agencies, including the Village of Oak Park's administrative offices, are closed.

Regular hours are from 10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. However, shuttle service hours have been extended on Thursdays and Fridays during the summer. From June 10 through August, Shuttle 1 ends its route at 9 p.m. at Oak Park Avenue and North Boulevard (stop number 1 on the route), and Shuttle 2 completes its final circuit there at 9:30 p.m.

Offering later hours during the summer months is intended to encourage residents and visitors to use the shuttle to sample the Village's many sites and attractions without having to worry about traffic or parking. The shuttle route includes 20 stops at 30-minute intervals along an eight-mile course. Among the stops are key Village shopping and dining destinations including downtown, in the Lake Street-Oak Park Avenue area, the Harrison Street art district and the Oak Park-Eisenhower business district.

The shuttle also stops at two major Park District facilities offering evening public swimming during the extended shuttle hours. The shuttle stops in the parking lot of Ridgeland Common, 415 W. Lake St., and at the Oak Park Conservatory across the street from Rehm Park and Pool, 515 Garfield St. (For information on Park District programs and pool schedules visit [www.oakparkparks.com](http://www.oakparkparks.com).)

Several shuttle stops also offer easy transfer to a host of mass transit options at points throughout the Village, including PACE and CTA buses, the CTA's green and blue lines, and Metra's commuter rail line to Chicago and the western suburbs.

For the most up-to-date information on the shuttle route and schedule call 615.1830. A route map and schedule also is available on the Village website, [www.oak-park.us](http://www.oak-park.us).

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