



April 21, 2020

COVID-19 Status Report Oak Park Village Board of Trustees

To: Village President and Village Board of Trustees

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The memo is a means to share a brief summary of information regarding Village of Oak Park operational activities in response to COVID-19. In most cases, formal public guidance or employee guidance has been publicly disseminated via the Village website or Village social media channels.

New Public Health Guidance

Today, the Village of Oak Park Department of Public Health received notification of the following new COVID-19 cases: 5 Oak Park residents who range in age from the 50s to 80s.

Excluding individuals for which street addresses are not yet determined, the State of Illinois reports a total of one-hundred thirty-six (136) total Oak Park COVID-19 cases. It is important to note that as patient tracking and case follow-up occurs, individuals listed within the number of Oak Park cases reported may change depending on residency confirmation.

Also, Oak Park Public Health Director Mike Charley reported today the fifth and sixth death of an Oak Park resident believed to be related to the COVID-19 coronavirus. The fatalities are a man in his 60s and a man in his 80s. Both men had earlier tested positive for the virus, but the final cause of death will be determined by the Cook County Medical Examiner. Director Charley expressed his sincere condolences to the individuals' friends and family for the loss of their loved one.

The Oak Park Department of Public Health is notified of positive tests as established by state and local public health protocol. Because of privacy laws, no additional information can be released about the individuals. It is noted, that privacy precludes location information regarding individuals tested to anyone other than Public Health Officials and First Responders.

The Oak Park Department of Public Health is working closely with officials from the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), investigating and notifying anyone who may have had exposure to the individual who tested positive for COVID-19. Local public health officials, hospitals and first responders are following protocols consistent with the latest guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Cases related to Long-Term Care and Assisted Living Facilities

As noted in the status report for April 20, Oak Park Public Health Director Charley is providing a daily chart regarding cases related to Long-Term Care and Assisted Living Facilities. Below is today's chart:

Facility Name	# of Resident Cases	# of Resident Deaths	# of Staff Cases
Belmont Village of Oak Park	1	0	2
Berkeley Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	1	1	0
Brookdale Oak Park	5	1	3
Oak Park Arms	1	0	0
Oasis of Oak Park	12	2	0

Senior Housing Case

Oak Park Public Health Director Mike Charley reported that a resident of a local a retirement and assisted living facility has tested positive for the COVID-19 coronavirus. The resident is currently being cared for in a local hospital. Oak Park Arms, 408 South Oak Park Avenue, Oak Park, Illinois, a senior independent living and assisting living rental retirement community operated by Oak Park Arms, L.L.C. ("Oak Park Arms") has been order to take specific steps that comply with Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance for protection of the health of facility's residents and its employees. In addition strict measures preventing the acceptance of any new assisted living residents are in place. Other measures include the prohibition of any visitors and canceling events or gatherings within the facility.

Failure to comply with the public health order is a Class A misdemeanor under state law, which carries a maximum penalty of a year in jail and a \$2,500 fine. In addition, the facility could lose its license and face civil liability.

Management Council

An online meeting of management council (the chief appointed official for each taxing body) was held on today and allowed for an ongoing dialogue amongst the organizations about coordinated efforts in response to COVID-19 as well as planning discussions for short, medium and long range planning efforts.

Village Staffing

During the prior work week, 190 village employees continued to work full time on site (primarily public health, fire, police and village management); 42 employees work full time remotely (primarily administrative and operational support); 73 employees work reduced hours on site (primarily public works and administrative to maintain discreet work groups); 14 employees worked reduced hours remotely and 25 employees were deemed non-essential for the work week and did not work. All of the above currently filled positions remained on the Village's payroll without reduction to compensation and benefits.