



June 26, 2020

**COVID-19 Status Report  
Oak Park Village Board of Trustees**

To: Village President and Village Board of Trustees

Fr: Cara Pavlicek, Village Manager

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.

*As the Village has entered Phase 4 of Restore Illinois, this report will be issued once per week, on Wednesdays going forward. This is the same day that the Public Health Director will issue weekly bulletins on COVID-19 cases (as opposed to the current daily reporting).*

**New Public Health Guidance**

Today, the Village of Oak Park Department of Public Health received notification of three new residents with COVID-19 that range in age from 20s to 40s.

Excluding individuals for which street addresses are not yet determined, the State of Illinois reports a total of three-hundred and twenty-seven (327) 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.

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).

Today, in line with Phase 4, Public Health Director Charley has extended the Grocery Store order and the Order suspending the single-use bag fee. While both orders expire on July 31, they could be rescinded earlier in the event of changes ordered by the State.

**Cases related to Long-Term Care and Assisted Living Facilities**

Public Health Director Charley reports cases remain unchanged since Friday.

Facility Name	# of Resident Cases	# of Resident Deaths	# of Staff Cases
Belmont Village of Oak Park	2	2	4

Berkeley Nursing & Rehab Center	3	3	1
Brookdale Oak Park	7	1	7
Oak Park Arms	6	1	3
Oasis of Oak Park	23	11	6

### **Village Hall Operations**

Village Hall is set to reopen to the public Monday with the focus on keeping visitors and municipal employees safe from the COVID-19 coronavirus by limiting building hours and occupancy. Open Monday – Thursday, hours will be limited from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. for senior citizens and individuals at higher risk for contracting the virus and from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. for all others. Fridays will be appointment only days.

The public is reminded they may also call 708.358.5700 from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays to seek assistance as all services continue to be available online at [www.oak-park.us/onlineservices](http://www.oak-park.us/onlineservices) and can be done fast and efficiently without a trip to Village Hall.

Everyone entering the building will be required to wear a mask covering their nose and mouth. Disposable masks will be provided for use inside Village Hall for anyone over the age of 2 who does not have one. In order to comply with social distancing requirements, the Village Hall lobby has been reconfigured and counters with clear glass “sneeze guards” have been arranged to ensure the health and safety of customers and municipal staff while the risk of community spread of COVID 19 remains. The lobby can accommodate a maximum of eight persons at a one time and additional visitors will be assisted in order as service counter space opens. A staff member will be working in the lobby to facilitate the proper municipal worker is available to provide the various customer services available at Village Hall.

Providing in-person services that are safe is a priority while the numbers of COVID-19 cases appear to have stabilized in Oak Park, the risk of community spread is a reality that informs delivering services in the most effective and safest ways possible. As such, online services remain highly recommended.

### **IEMA Financial Assistance**

The Village has submitted an application to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) in the amount of \$123,891 for Public Assistance to reimburse expenditures related to COVID-19 that are considered eligible for the disaster funding.