



Elk Grove Township

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A Message from the Supervisor...

Hello Township neighbors, I hope this letter finds you well and ready to enjoy the summer. This last year has been tough for all of us as we've had to deal with the changes and pressures brought on by COVID 19. It's great to begin to see the end of the tunnel and we all need to keep doing our part to make sure the recovery continues.

George Busse
Township Supervisor

I am excited to be your new Supervisor, though I am sad to see the departure of my friend Mike Sweeney. Mike was Supervisor for the last eight years. During that time the Township took major steps in expanding and improving needed services while, at the same time, maintaining a strict financial discipline. I am committed to following his example and will ensure that Elk Grove Township residents continue to be provided with valuable, quality services in a fiscally responsible and wholly transparent way.

My family has been deeply involved in Township government since the 1800's. Family members have served as Supervisors, Clerks and Trustees. I'm honored to be able to continue that tradition of service to community. Having served the last 19 years as both a Trustee and Clerk, I am walking into the Supervisor's office with a great deal of experience and ideas for continuing to make the Township increasingly valuable and meaningful to its residents. One of my primary goals as Supervisor is to ensure that all Elk Grove Township residents know about the services we provide. There are a myriad of valuable services that we offer that I sometimes feel are not well known. These services include senior & disabled transportation, general and emergency financial assistance, adult & family counseling, youth services, employment center assistance, a client's choice food pantry, a veteran's service office and, very importantly, an Assessor's office which assists residents with appealing property taxes and filing for tax exemptions. I want to ensure that every resident who can benefit from these services has the knowledge and ability to do so.

I am looking forward to serving you and will work hard with my fellow elected officials and staff to make Elk Grove Township a better place to live for all residents.



Township Elected Officials

(left to right)

Dale Niewiardowski - Township Trustee

Richard Keenley – Township Trustee

Connie Carosielli – Assessor

Suellen Satern – Township Clerk

George Busse – Township Supervisor

Greg Wojtecki – Township Trustee

Vince Dante – Township Trustee

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SAVE THE DATE !

Jul. 5 - Office CLOSED in observance of **Independence Day**.

Jun. 16 - **Youth Services Programs** session begins. Call 847-981-0373 for more information.

July. 30 - Last day of the **Back to School Blast Off** Donations.

Sep. 6 - Office CLOSED for **Labor Day**.



Happy Independence Day

East Entrance

Administration & Passports

847-437-0300

Assessor's Office

224-265-6110

West Entrance

Social Services & Food Pantry

224-265-6111

Adult & Family Counseling

Youth Services

847-981-0373



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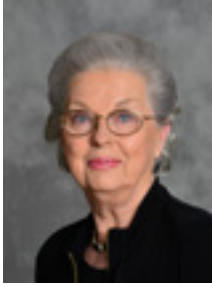
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Assessing the Situation



Connie Carosielli
CIAO Assessor

As we all strive to get back to “normal”, it is becoming more apparent that the time frames we used to take for granted have been substantially altered. Saying that, we currently have not been informed by the Cook County Assessor’s Office as to when Elk Grove Township will be open for assessed value complaints.

If you are on our email or phone list, you will be notified as to when and how best to make your appeal.

If you wish to be included in our notifications, just call my office at 224-265-6110. It would be our pleasure to keep you informed of all the important deadlines regarding your property taxes.

Another method of keeping up to date with Township activities is to use our website www.elkgrovetownship.com.

From all of us at the Elk Grove Township Assessor’s Office, we hope you stay healthy and happy, knowing we are here when you need us.



Save the date

Second Instalment Tax Bill is due

October 1, 2021

Clerk’s Corner



Suellen Satern
Township Clerk

Welcome to summer Elk Grove Township residents! As the new Clerk of Elk Grove Township, I’d like to highlight some of the services offered through the Office of the Clerk.

They include:

- Voter Registration
- Notary Public
- Fishing Licenses
- Hunting Licenses
- Temporary Handicap Placards
- FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) requests
- Passport Applications (by appointment)

2021 Illinois Fishing Licenses

Since it’s fishing season, and we are so close to Busse Woods and the great fishing there, here is a list of the cost of 2021 Illinois Fishing Licenses. Stop by and get your license here before you head out to fish! The three reservoirs at Busse Woods are stocked with a great variety of fish for you.

- Illinois Resident Daily fee: \$5.50
- Illinois Resident Annual fee: \$15.00
- Illinois Resident Senior (65+) fee: \$ 7.50

Fishing licenses are not required for people under age 16, the blind and disabled, or military on active duty - just be sure to have a current appropriate ID with you.

For all of these services, please stop by Elk Grove Township. We are located in our new building at 600 Landmeier Road in Elk Grove Village, right across the street from the Elk Grove Village Post Office. The building is open from 9:00 - 4:00, Monday through Friday. And please contact our office at 847-437-0300 with any questions regarding any of our resident services. Have a fun and safe summer!

Welcome Shoppers!



The Elk Grove Township Food Pantry is offering Food Pantry visits twice per month to families of 4 or more. While the 'client choice' model has been very effective and allows shoppers to choose foods and toiletries they need most, often larger families are left with little to no food or

supplies by their next visit. With the option to shop twice per month, we ensure that families receive enough food with minimal food waste.

To ensure easy access to residents, Food Pantry registration is quick and simple. Residents need to provide a photo ID, a recent utility bill (issued within the past 30 days), and arrive 15 minutes before your appointment to have a food pantry card issued.

As the Food Pantry relies heavily on volunteers, who do a great job at sorting donations, stocking up shelves, packing groceries, and checking clients in and out of the food pantry, the Township would like to offer SPECIAL THANKS to all who help make the Food Pantry a great place for the residents.

Food Pantry visits are BY APPOINTMENT ONLY!

**Please call to schedule your
next appointment
(224) 265-6111**

Thank you, Neighbors, for all the donations.
The food pantry could not operate without
your generosity.

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Linda Ivie
Georgiane Duffy
Gerald Dworzak
Jeanine Smith
Eileen Terrell
Char Fortman
Rene Delsignore
Marion Novale
Theresa Dill

SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

COMED HARDSHIP

Have you had a recent situation that has caused you to fall behind in your ComEd bill? Call us to see if you qualify for a ComEd Hardship grant of up to \$500.



LIHEAP

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program has closed for the 2021 program year. Please look out for our next newsletter to see when we will begin taking applications in the fall.



NICOR SHARING

If your household falls between 200% and 300% of Federal poverty level you could qualify for a grant towards your Nicor gas bill.



SALVATION ARMY SERVICE EXTENSION SITE



Elk Grove Township is a SA Service Extension Site. Call us to see if you could be eligible for utility or shelter assistance after an emergency.

CALL US AT 224-265-6111

Help Spread the Word!



DONATIONS NEEDED

Our medical lending closet is in need of knee scooters and wide wheelchairs. We would appreciate your donation!



Upcoming Employment Seminar August 25, 2021

Getting Past the Gatekeeper to the Hiring Manager

The Gatekeeper's job is to deflect people who will waste the manager's time. Tactics to take them from foe to friend.

How can Elk Grove Township help me right now?

For Social Services call 224-265-6111

Financial Assistance Programs can help with rent, utilities and other emergency needs. Applications taken over the phone.



Food Pantry is currently operating as client's choice pantry. Clients can shop for the items they want and need most, however, you **MUST** have an appointment and a current food pantry card. If you are a new client or renewing your card, please bring a photo ID and a utility bill.

Information and Referral Services: Have questions about how to apply for local or federal programs? Wondering what steps to take next? Our Caseworkers are here to connect you to services and agencies.



Senior Community Check in is a new service to identify and connect with seniors to assess their social and emotional needs. We will assist seniors and connect them with resources provided by the township, along with offering Counseling Services or just a monthly call to "chit-chat". We'll also refer to community partners as needed.

For Youth Services call 847-981-0375

Youth Services group programs are free of charge to residents this summer ! There are plenty of groups to choose from but registration is required. For questions and registration, please call us or email RDorn@ElkGroveTownship.com



For Counseling Services call 847-981-0373

Are you or members of your household struggling with anxiety, depression or other mental health issues during this challenging time? Our **Counseling Services** are here to help! We offer confidential teletherapy, phone therapy or in-person therapy by Licensed Counselors to residents of all ages.



For Employment Services call 224-222-0935



Looking for a job or to change your career trajectory? Our **Employment Support Services** can help you touch up your resume, practice interviewing, start or update your LinkedIn page and more! Quarterly Employment Seminars are held to give you the latest information vital to your job search.

For Transportation Services call 847-437-0300

Seniors (55+) and persons with disabilities are eligible for our **FREE bus service** that can take you anywhere in our township like doctor appointments, dialysis, grocery shopping, etc. Call to register.



For the Assessor's Office call 224-265-6110



Our **Assessor's Office** is happy to help with any questions that you may have regarding your property taxes and help you apply for exemptions. We can also add you to our list and contact you with information regarding dates of property tax appeals. Just a friendly reminder, second tax instalments are due in October!

Transitions!

As young people grow there are several social transitions that occur. Sometimes transitions are relatively simple and straightforward. At other times, they are not and require skills and support.

Relationships

Peer relationships provide a unique context in which children learn a range of critical social-emotional skills, such as empathy, cooperation, and problem-solving strategies. Peer relationships can also contribute negatively to social-emotional development through bullying, exclusion, and deviant peer processes.



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Gratitude



Studies have shown that by noticing, feeling, and showing gratitude on a daily basis, we

adopt a positive outlook on life that has major benefits (as mentioned above). Also, expressing gratitude hones our communication skills and teaches us to say what we feel out loud, something we are not naturally prone to do.

Emotional Regulation

Learning to self-regulate is a key milestone in child development – whose foundations are laid in the earliest years of life. A child's capacity to regulate their emotions affects their family and peer, academic performance, long-term mental health, and their ability to thrive in a complex world.



There is a lot of skill needed to be able to transition. No wonder transitions can be so challenging. For more information on Township Youth Services or groups, please contact Renee Dorn at 847-981-0373 or RDorn@elkgrovetownship.com.

Summer Groups 2021

- Girls Empowerment Group**
- Super Engaged Leaders (SEL)**
- Building Teen Community**
- Transition to High School**
- Transition to Junior High**

Helping Your Child Identify Feelings



As children grow, we often think about the importance of their academic and social success. And, of course, we want them to be happy. But, we often

neglect to think about how they are developing their “emotional competence.” This means, how well do they identify their feelings, express these feelings appropriately, understand the feelings of others, and modify their feelings or behavior based upon their interactions. During this pandemic, it’s even more important to do “emotional check-ins” with your children. You see, children with “emotional competence” are much more likely to find success both academically and socially. Really.

So, how can we help our children to develop emotional competence?

1) First, help them identify and label feelings. They get angry, sad, embarrassed, happy, just like we do. But, if they do not have words to talk about how they feel, they often act out their feelings in inappropriate ways. So, use these words! For example, say “You seem sad that I have to leave for work.” Or, “you were smiling, and seemed happy that you got so many birthday cards today.”

2) Teach your child the different ways we deal with feelings, either by asking for their ideas, or sharing your own. For example, say, “you seem frustrated with

your homework, what can you do to push back against the frustration?” Or, “when I get frustrated, I take some deep breaths, and close my eyes for a few minutes.”

3) Praise your child when s/he tries to talk about feelings. When s/he says, “I’m really mad that you won’t let me have that cookie until after dinner,” say, “thank you for sharing how you feel with me.” (IMPORTANT: when your child is having a tantrum because they are not getting their way, it is best not to engage with them on this level).

4) Ask “perception of others” questions, such as, “what do you think Johnny was feeling when he was teased at school?” Or, “how can you tell when I am angry?”

In all, be a role model for identifying and expressing your feelings appropriately. Helping your children to do the same will leave them better equipped to lead successful lives. That will surely make you feel “happy.”

For more information, call the Adult & Family Counseling Department at 847-981-0373.



BACK TO SCHOOL BLAST OFF!

JUNE 21-
JULY 30

HELP US PREPARE
LOCAL STUDENTS TO LAUNCH
INTO THE 21-22 SCHOOL
YEAR!



LIST OF ITEMS

- #2 Pencils
- Trapper binders
- Backpacks
- 2 pocket folders
- 3 ring binders
- Scissors
- Plastic pencil box
- Markers / pens
- Glue sticks
- Earbuds
- Composition notebooks
- Multi-colored highlighters
- Box of tissues
- 1 subject notebook
- Loose leaf paper (wide ruled)

DROP OFF SITES

Elk Grove Township
600 Landmeier Road
Elk Grove Village

CCSD59 Admin Bldg
2123 S. Arlington Heights Rd
Arlington Heights

Arlington Heights Senior Center
1801 W. Central Road
Arlington Heights

Parkway Bank
951 Meacham Road
Elk Grove Village
OR 1408 W. Algonquin Rd
Arlington Heights
Frisbie Senior Center
52 E. Northwest Hwy
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1000 Wellington Avenue
Elk Grove Village

Prince of Peace UMC
July 1-July 30
1400 Arlington Heights Rd
Elk Grove Village

Elk Grove Park District Hattendorf Center
225 E. Elk Grove Blvd
Elk Grove Village

Ways to donate!



The Community Empowerment Fund is funded 100% by community donation. There are NO township funds to draw from. This is why we need the help of the community in order to assist our neighbors in need. Please consider a non-restricted monetary donation.

We are proud of the assistance that the Elk Grove Township Community Empowerment Fund has provided to the community, especially during these unprecedented times.

Since its inception nearly 3 years ago, this not-for-profit, 501(c)3 organization has worked collaboratively with EGT to further the mission and vision of the township by "Empowering People through Community."

While all our programs are designed to be efficient and thorough, some of our other programs have limitations that, at times, make it impossible to fully resolve a resident's emergency. The staff at the township is able to use this fund to help residents with needs that may not fall under the guidelines of our other financial assistance programs or when the funding from these other programs is not enough to "fix" a client's emergency. The goal of the Elk Grove Township Community Empowerment Fund is to fill those gaps and assist residents in need who are working toward self-sufficiency.

Types of emergencies we have been able to help resolve include, housing, utilities, emergency medical needs, transportation to work/medical appointments, etc.

To help fund this exciting program, please make your tax-deductible donations to:

Elk Grove Township Community Empowerment Fund,
600 Landmeier Road, Elk Grove Village, IL 60007.

Food Pantry Needs

Monetary donations are accepted at the pantry year-round and often help fill the gaps between donated food items and items that are in high demand. If you would like to bring in or send a monetary donation, please mail or drop off your donation at 600 Landmeier Rd, Elk Grove, IL 60007. When dropping off donations, please use the WEST entrance. The Food Pantry could use your help in stocking up on these popular items:

Paper Towels

Toilet Paper

Dish Soap

Razors & Deodorant

Cereal & Pancake Mix

Canned Tomato Product & Cans of Cream of Soups

Cake & Brownie Mixes

Gardening Season is upon us once again. If you find yourself with an overabundance of produce, keep in mind our pantry. Shoppers greatly appreciate fresh fruit and vegetables!



Donations are accepted Monday through Friday 9AM to 4PM. If you need help with your donation drop-off, please call 224-265-6111 and someone will assist you!

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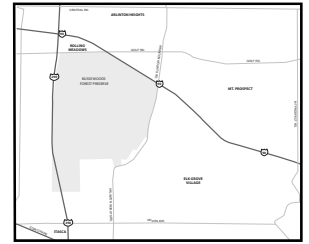


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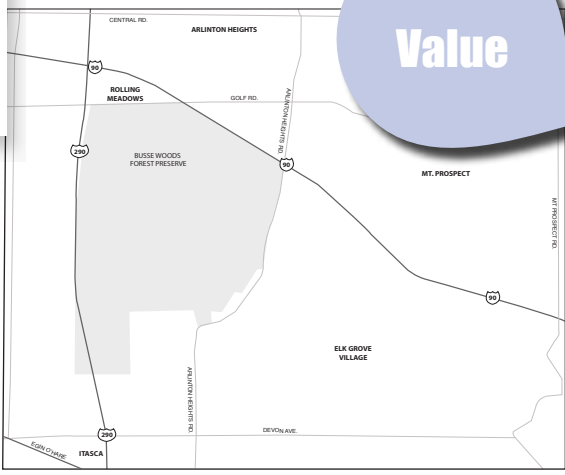
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