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Village Board Meetings
First and third Tuesday of each month.
Meetings begin at 6:00 p.m. and are held at the
Municipal Court Facility, 2710 170th St., Lansing, IL 60438
No meetings the first week in January, July and August

Municipal Center Hours Monday-Friday 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Special thanks to Dan Bovino for his photographic contributions.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR



SEPTEMBER

Monday, Sept. 1

Labor Day Holiday
The Lansing Municipal Center is
closed today; no waste collections
are scheduled. Refuse, recycling &
yard waste collections are scheduled
one day later this week.

Tuesday, Sept. 2

Village Board Meeting Lansing Courthouse, 6 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 11Patriot Day

Tuesday, Sept. 16

Village Board Meeting Lansing Courthouse, 6 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 19

POW/MIA Recognition Day

Friday, Sept. 26

L.A.C.E. Autumn Fest, 4-10:30 p.m. Fox Pointe, 18138 Henry St.

Saturday, Sept. 27

L.A.C.E. Autumn Fest 10 a.m.-10:30 p.m. Fox Pointe, 18138 Henry St.

OCTOBER

Saturday, Oct. 4

Fire Prevention Week Open House 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Station 29, 19300 Burnham Ave.

Tuesday, Oct. 7

Village Board Meeting Lansing Courthouse, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 21

Village Board Meeting Lansing Courthouse, 6 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 25

Fox Pointe Trick-or-Treat, 2-4 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 31

Official Village Trick-or-Treat Hours, 4-7 p.m.

NOVEMBER

Sunday, Nov. 2

Daylight Saving Time ends, 2 a.m. Turn your clocks back one hour; change the batteries in your smoke detectors.

Tuesday, Nov. 4

Village Board Meeting Lansing Courthouse, 6 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 9

Veterans Day Service, 2 p.m. Lansing Veterans Memorial at Lansing Municipal Airport

Tuesday, Nov. 11

Veterans Day

The Lansing Municipal Center is closed. Waste collections are on regular schedules this week.

Tuesday, Nov. 18

Village Board Meeting Lansing Courthouse, 6 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 27

Thanksgiving Day Lansing Municipal Center Closed No waste collections are scheduled. Thursday & Friday refuse, recycling & yard waste collections are scheduled one day later.

Saturday, Nov. 29

Village Tree Lighting Ceremony & Opening of the Santa House 5:30 p.m.

ON THE COVER (left to right, top to bottom):

- The 2025 Good Neighbor Day Parade theme "Hip Hop/Hard Rock" brought out lots of celebrity look-alikes!
- The Lansing Police Department participated in the Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics, taking the torch up Burnham Ave. to hand off to the Calumet City Police Department. Photo by Ban Alobaidi.
- Engineer Thomas Langdon was awarded the Fire Prevention and Life Safety Award by the Illinois State Fire Marshal!
- Mayor and Mrs. Hardy, Clerk Grady-Perovich, and Village staff took a photo with the staff of the Lansing Community Food Pantry after delivering collected food and donations.
- 2024 Trick-or-Treat at Fox Pointe was fun for the whole family. The 2025 event is scheduled for Oct. 25 from 2-4 p.m.

New faces, new places

Meet Lansing's new Village Clerk & brand-new Trustees

Message from Village Clerk Dr. Maureen C. Grady-Perovich



Hello, Lansing,

I am looking forward to serving the Lansing Community in my new role as Lansing's Village Clerk. The opportunities to gain experience that

supports the mission of the Village are endless. Demonstrating active listening to the concerns of our residents, businesses, and guests will be my priority.

We have a full agenda of activities planned for the Village stakeholders. "Get to the Pointe!" our Fox Pointe venue is packed full of family fun, music, arts, and learning opportunities.

The Village plans to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Historic Ford Hangar in 2026, and we want to include our schools, parks, library, Historical Society, and other interested parties in the commemoration. The Sports Complex is adding more organized sports activities for people of all ages. Our neighborhoods are bustling with ideas to get to know your neighbors.

This is an exciting time for our Village, and I am grateful for the opportunity to be a part of the process that keeps our Village the shining light of the south suburbs. I would love to hear from you in person, via phone or email, your thoughts about how I can encourage you to join our mission towards growth within our community.

Dr. Maureen C. Grady-Perovich Village Clerk 708-895-7207 mgradyperovich@villageoflansing.org

Message from Trustee Ernst Lamothe Jr.



Lansing Residents,

I'm deeply honored that many of you took time out of your lives to vote and place your trust in me as a trustee. That trust means a great deal, and I don't take it lightly. I'm proud to call Lansing home and I'm ready to serve. Over the past few months, I've enjoyed meeting residents, listening to your concerns, and learning more about the issues that affect our daily lives. These

conversations have been educational and inspiring. I know I don't have all the answers, which is why I'm asking for your continued input. If you have questions, concerns, or ideas to help keep Lansing strong and thriving, please don't hesitate to reach out whether by email or in person. I promise to respond with as much information as I can. Together, we all have a stake in making Lansing a safe, successful, and strong community. Let's keep moving forward together.

Ernst Lamothe Jr.
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Message from Trustee Amy Nommensen



Hello, Lansing Residents,

It's been a great few months as one of your newest trustees, and I'm more excited than ever for the next four years. As a lifelong resident of Lansing, I'm eager to show just how great this community is. Whether it's local fundraisers, news channels showcasing our village, weekly summer events at Fox Pointe, or brand-new businesses opening, there's so much to see and do here.

I'm excited to continue the steady growth and improvements of the previous administration. Lansing is a great place to live, and I can't wait to see it get even better!

Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns you may have. Lansing's residents are the most important part of this town. I don't take this title lightly. I want to be your trusted voice for the next four years!

Sincerely,
Amy Nommensen
Village Trustee
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VILLLAGE NEWS

Fall yard maintenance & cleanup reminder

As autumn approaches, the Village of Lansing encourages all residents to follow proper yard waste disposal practices to help keep our community clean and safe.

Yard waste guidelines:

Grass clippings, leaves, and other yard waste must be placed in either:

- Your designated, greenlidded yard waste toter, or
- Brown paper yard waste bags

Place filled containers at your regular garbage pickup location the night before your scheduled collection day.

Need an extra yard waste toter?

- Submit a request through the Homewood Disposal website, mydisposal.com.
- New to Lansing or missing your toters? Call 708-798-1004 for assistance.

Please note: The Village no longer offers curbside leaf vacuuming. Leaves raked to the curb or left in the parkway will not be collected.

Yard waste collection continues through Dec. 12, 2025.

Thank you for doing your part to keep Lansing clean and beautiful this fall!

Meals on Wheels: More Meals to Make, More Hands Needed

Every Tuesday and Thursday morning, the kitchen at Lansing's First United Methodist Church fills with the smell of fresh food—and the quiet hum of volunteers making a difference.

For over 45 years, Meals on Wheels has delivered hot, homemade meals to homebound residents in Lansing. But today, the program needs help—more substitute drivers, more substitute kitchen helpers, and more clients.

The meals are simple but nourishing: a protein, starch, a vegetable, and a homemade dessert. They're delivered around 11 a.m., twice a week, and cost just \$4 each.

Drivers typically spend less than an hour on the road, delivering not just food but also a friendly smile and a quick check-in.

If you can help—or if you or someone you know could use a hot meal—reach out: Call First United Methodist Church at (708) 474-1144 or contact Barb Dust (312) 969-0385.



Document Destruction & Food Drive Event

To help residents securely dispose of personal and confidential documents, the Village will host a free document shredding event on Saturday, Oct. 18, from 9 to 11 a.m. in the Lansing Municipal Center parking lot, 3141 Ridge Rd. Participants should enter from Ridge Road at the back of the building.

Because shredded paper is not accepted in residential curbside recycling, this event provides a convenient and eco-friendly way to dispose of these materials responsibly. All documents shredded at this event will be properly recycled, reducing waste and supporting environmental conservation efforts.

Lansing residents can bring up to three boxes of personal documents per vehicle for onsite shredding. To participate, vehicles must display a current Village sticker.

Paper documents accepted can include staples, paper clips, binder clips, hanging folders, manila folders, and spiral notebooks. Items not accepted include wet or moldy paper, combustible materials, office equipment, plastics, or non-paper items.

In addition to shredding services, the Village will collect non-perishable food donations to support the Lansing Community Food Pantry. Residents are encouraged to bring canned goods, pasta, rice, peanut butter, and other shelf-stable items to help their neighbors in need.

For more information, contact Courtney Ippolito at 708-895-7208 or cippolito@villageoflansing.org.





CONSTRUCTION NEWS

Street repavement program continues

Nearly 2.5 miles of streets in Lansing have been identified for the Village's 2025 Pavement Management Program (PMP). Village staff, in collaboration with Robinson Engineering, evaluated current pavement conditions to determine which streets are most in need of improvement.

The preliminary list of streets—shown below—includes those in the Oakwood Estates neighborhood where water main replacements were completed in 2023 and 2024.

Selection criteria included:

- 2019 pavement condition data from the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)
- Institutional knowledge from Village staff
- Historical street evaluations
- On-site visual inspections

This data-driven approach ensures resources are directed where they're needed most. Additional streets may be added depending on the final bid pricing and available funding:

- Novak Drive: 170th St. to North Dead End
- 177th Street: Chappel Ave. to Paxton Ave.
- Jackson Street: William St. to Wentworth Ave.
- 188th Street: Wildwood Ave. to Oakwood Ave.
- Wildwood Avenue: 188th St. to 190th St.
- 189th Place: Wildwood Ave. to Ridgewood Ave.
- 190th Street: Wildwood Ave. to Oakwood Ave.
- 190th Place: Wildwood Ave. to Oakwood Ave.
- Wildwood Avenue: 190th Pl. to 193rd Pl.
- 192" Street: Wildwood Ave. to Greenbay Ave.
- 192nd Place: Wildwood Ave. to Oakwood Ave.
- 193rd Street: Wildwood Ave. to Oakwood Ave.
- 193rd Place: Wildwood Ave. to Oakwood Ave.
- Oakwood Avenue: 192nd St. to 193rd Pl.
- 194th Street: Wildwood Ave. to Oakwood Ave.

The bid will be awarded in August and construction will begin after.

Other construction news:

- Chicago Avenue Water Main Replacement north of 170th Street
 - o Project completed, now shifting gears to get road reconstruction out to bid.
- Stony Island Avenue Street Resurfacing Thornton-Lansing Road to 186th Street
 - o Work started after the 4th of July
 - o Village received funding from IDOT for 80/20 split \$675k (federal funds \$540k, Lansing \$135k)
- Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR) Program
 - o Village received \$3M+ in funding from IEPA to replace lead service lines at no cost to residents
 - o Anticipated to start in August after receipt of the IEPA loan agreement
 - o Village continues to apply for funding to replace lead service lines

Welcome new businesses!

Here are the latest additions to our business community. Be sure to stop by, explore, and support these new local businesses:

- Barber Rick's 2 River Pl. Unit L Barber Shop (Existing - Moved from 17851 Torrence Ave.)
- **Subham Brown Threading Studio #2** 3365 Ridge Rd. Eyebrow Threading & Waxing
- Johnny K's 17816 Torrence Ave. Restaurant
- Auto Zone #1800 17015 Torrence Ave. Retail Auto Parts and Accessories
- Eagle Fleet Service LLC 2801 175th St. Vehicle Fleet Services
- Body Canvas 18525 Torrence Ave Unit D8, Body Contouring Services
- Power By Blueprint Inc. 3259 Glenwood Lansing Rd. Unit #2 Rebuild Aircraft Pistons, Engines
- CJ's 2 in 1 Enterprise 18525 Torrence Ave. D-4 Income Tax Company
- Sealmaster Chicago 2859 Bernice Rd.
 Pavement & Maintenance Products and Equipment
- The Browder Group, LLC 18333 Burnham Ave. Consulting

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CONSTRUCTION NEWS



New Public Works office & Emergency Operations Center breaks ground

Construction is underway on the new Village of Lansing Public Works Office and Emergency Operations Center, with completion scheduled for May 2026.

The Public Works site is located at 3300 171st Street, and Village officials have explored plans to modernize and expand the facility.

This long-anticipated project will be completed in multiple phases:

- Phase One, completed in early 2025, involved the demolition of sections of the old block storage building to make way for new construction.
- The current phase includes the construction of a new 8,160-square-foot facility that will house:
 - o Public Works administrative offices
 - o Clerical work areas
 - o A dedicated conference room
 - o A large Emergency Operations Center (EOC)
 - o A command center for coordinated emergency response

"We went through a lot of ideas before landing on this plan for the Public Works site, and we're thrilled with where we ended up," said Mayor Brian Hardy. "The location at 170th and Burnham is going to get a major facelift, making it more attractive for everyone.

"Staff will have much better work areas once the shop improvements are done," he continued. "Plus, the new Administration building will feature an Emergency Operations Center, giving key personnel a central place to coordinate during any crisis. This project will help us serve the community more effectively than ever."

Outside of emergencies, the space will serve as a location for large staff meetings, interdepartmental trainings, and collaborative planning sessions.

This development will mark a major quality-oflife improvement for Public Works staff, who will move from temporary office trailers that they have worked in for more than a decade, into a modern, permanent workspace.

Future phases of the site upgrade include:

- Construction of a new fuel island for Village vehicles
- Expansion of the existing vehicle and shop building
- Restoration and improvements to the current garage and maintenance facilities

The architectural design of the new facilities will align with the style and aesthetics seen in recent Village developments, such as Village Hall and Fox Pointe, creating a cohesive look across Lansing's civic infrastructure.

Stay tuned for construction updates as this important project progresses!

POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Brian Weis named LPD Employee of the Year

Brian Weis, a 30-year employee of the Lansing Police Department, was recently named Employee of the Year—a recognition that reflects both his professional dedication and personal connection to the department.

"I've literally grown up here," Weis said. "I joined the Police Cadets at 17, and I consider LPD my home. Being named Employee of the Year felt like being congratulated by my family."

Brian currently serves as Supervisor of Communications & Records, overseeing the Village's 911 services. His career began in 1994 as a Police Cadet, followed by part-time work as a Telecommunicator in 1995 and full-time

status by 1997. He also served as a paid on-call firefighter and EMT, giving him a rare dual perspective as both a dispatcher and responder.

"What I love most about my job is helping people in their time of need—and helping officers catch the bad guys," he said. "Those first few minutes of a call are critical."

A Lansing native, Weis graduated from TF South and attended Calumet College of St. Joseph. He's proud to have contributed to several department improvements, including the switch to a digital radio system; however, he believes the most important accomplishments are personal.

"Watching my son and daughter grow into incredible young adults—that's what I'm most proud of," he said.

"Brian Weis lives and breathes LPD," said Police Chief Al Phillips. "From his time as a dispatcher, where he was the voice of calm on the other end, to now, where he is positioning





Brian Weis circa 1994 (left) and receiving his award earlier this year from Police Chief Al Phillips

Lansing to be a leader when it comes to technology and innovation, Brian has always been the heart and soul of the Lansing Police Department. He takes pride in what he does and always makes sure officer safety remains a priority."

Outside of work, Brian enjoys woodworking, playing guitar, and spending time with his wife, children, and granddaughter. Known for his sense of humor and quick thinking, he believes adaptability is key: "Every day is different, and being able to shift gears is essential."

Weis praised the LPD's dispatch team, "They are a group of highly dedicated professionals who work hard to keep our residents—and our officers and firefighters—safe."

One of his favorite quotes comes from Olympic coach Herb Brooks: "The name on the front is a hell of a lot more important than the one on the back."

It's a mindset that has guided Brian's three-decade journey—and one that continues to shape the work he does every day.



NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING

You're invited to the next Neighborhood Watch Meeting, scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6 in the courtroom of the Lansing Police Department, 2710 E. 170th St.

To learn more about
Lansing's Neighborhood Watch,
contact Sgt. Dana Tatgenhorst 708-895-7130,
dtatgenhorst@villageoflansing.org

FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

State recognizes Tom Langdon

Lansing Fire Department Engineer Tom Langdon was recognized for his contribution to public education.

The Illinois State Fire Marshal honored Eng. Langdon's efforts in public education with the annual Fire Prevention and Life Safety Award. Eng. Langdon, Lt. Randall Wright of the Fire Prevention Bureau, and Fire Chief Chad Kooyenga traveled to Springfield for the ceremony on May 13.

The Fire Prevention and Life Safety Award recognizes outstanding efforts achieved within the State of Illinois to promote fire prevention and life safety.

These efforts frequently include outreach programs and presentations, often geared toward more vulnerable groups such as young children and elderly adults. Eng. Langdon was nominated for the award by several individuals and highly recommended by each.

In his 32 years with Lansing FD, Eng. Langdon has taken part in the department's public education in its various forms: station tours, puppet shows, Safety Trailer visits, and the annual Open House. In that time, he has built a considerable knowledge base that he gladly shares with others, using his ability to keep his audience engaged.

Through his work in public education, Eng. Langdon has become a familiar face at schools. For over a decade, he has taken part in the Read with a Firefighter program, reading



picture books to classes of younger children. In recent years, he has led FD crews in fire safety presentations to large groups of grade schoolers.

Eng. Langdon has also emerged as the main presenter in the Fire Department's Steps to Safety program geared toward Lansing's older residents. This program, held several times a year, presents various methods for senior residents to help make their home environment safer.

Fire Prevention Week Open House Oct. 4



The Lansing Fire Department will kick off the 2025 Fire Prevention Week with an open house on Saturday, Oct. 4. Families and community members are invited to visit Fire Station 29, 19300 Burnham Ave., from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. to meet with firefighters,

have fun, eat lunch, and learn more about the department and fire prevention.

The 2025 theme for Fire Prevention Week is "Charge into Fire Safety: Lithium-Ion Batteries in Your Home."

Festivities for the open house include a bouncy house, face painting, giveaways and drawings, prizes, a live burn demonstration, a helicopter landing, a vehicle extrication demonstration, fire truck tours, and much more! All activities and food are free! For more information, visit www.VillageofLansing.org or call the Lansing Fire Department, 708-895-7400.



CHILD CAR SEATS INSTALLED & CHECKED

Lansing Fire Department Headquarters 18200 Chicago Ave.

Friday, Sept. 26 | 10 a.m.-noon

Attention, parents and caregivers!

Make sure your children ride safely in your vehicles by stopping by this important event.

Certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians from the Lansing Fire & Police Departments will inspect and install child car seats for free as part of 2025 National Child Passenger Safety Week, Sept. 21-27.



18138 HENRY STREET

Autumn Fest

sponsored by the Lansing Association for Community Events (L.A.C.E)

Friday & Saturday Sept. 26 & 27 at Fox Pointe

Mark your calendars for one of the most anticipated events of the year. Autumn Fest will be the place to be, offering the best in family fun, including food, live entertainment, craft vendors, and a KidsZone. Watch for details to be announced on the group's Facebook page, Facebook.com/LansingLACE.

Halloween Fun at Fox Pointe

Annual

Trick-or-Treat Event

Calling all families! Fox Pointe will host its annual Trick-or-Treat event on Saturday, Oct. 25, from 2-4 p.m. Candy and other goodies will be available for children in costume.

Last year, more than 60 groups handed out candy to families.

It will be a ghastly time!

Volunteer to hand out candy

Businesses, organizations, churches, schools, teams, and all groups are invited to register online to hand out candy. It's free to participate, and you can promote yourselves to families who visit. Be sure to bring enough candy for 1,500 children.

Registration can be found on FoxPointe.org or use the QR code.

REGISTER HERE



Halloween Spooktacular Showdown

Calling all businesses, schools, churches, organizations, and families! We challenge you to create a spooky monster or scene for display during our annual Trick-or-Treat event on Oct. 25.

The entries with the most public votes will win cash prizes!

How to Enter:

- 1. Enter and pay online or use the paper form, available online or at the Lansing Municipal Center, 3141 Ridge Rd., and return that form with your payment. Deadline Oct. 10 to enter.
- 2. Create original ghouls or spooky scenes that you'll affix to a 4'x4' fence (so they don't blow over) on the Fox Pointe infield. Make sure your decorations, stuffing, etc. are waterproof and weatherproof.
- 3. Bring your creations to Fox Pointe and secure them to your assigned area on the fence. Set-up dates include: Friday, Saturday, Monday, Oct. 17, 18, & 20: 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sunday, Oct. 19: noon-4 p.m.

How to Win:

- 1. Residents can vote online for their favorite entry, Oct. 22 through noon on Oct. 25. The scenes with the most votes will win cash prizes!
- 2. Winners announced at the Fox Pointe Trick-or-Treat event, Oct. 25, 3 p.m.
- 3. Creature features will remain on display at Fox Pointe from Oct. 27-31. Visit to view. Don't be scared!

Misc: Dismantle your scene and pick up your creatures at Fox Pointe Saturday, Nov. 1, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sunday, Nov. 2, noon-5 p.m.; Monday, Nov. 3, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Leftover displays will be thrown in the trash.



REGISTER TO COMPETE!



Frightening entries in the 2024 Spooktacular Showdown scare Fox Pointe visitors.

Register to compete in 2025.

THE FINAL DAYS OF SUMMER

Fox Pointe's 2025 concert season is winding down. Don't miss these last performances.

Aug. 29

México en el Corazón

6:30 p.m., Gates open at 5:30 p.m.

The show will feature the most representative music, songs, and dances of Mexican folklore, with images from the states of Guanajuato, Yucatán, and Jalisco, and the special presentation of the image "The Golden Spike," with a great cast made up of the Guadalajara Folkloric Ballet, Mariachi Estelar México en el Corazón, and Banda Colores.

Sept. 3

Sept. 10

Run Forrest Run

Dick Diamond & the Dusters

Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. Gates open at 6 p.m. with opening acts.







THE HOLIDAYS AT FOX POINTE

Decorate a holiday tree

Help deck Fox Pointe out for the holidays by participating in the sixth annual Holiday Tree Display!

This cherished festive tradition invites businesses, organizations, churches, schools, and families to spread holiday cheer by decorating real 6-7 ft. Scotch pine trees.

Participants can showcase their creativity with traditional ornaments, handmade crafts, or even unique themes to captivate the hearts of visitors.

With a limited number of trees available, early registration is encouraged to secure a spot.

Register and pay \$50 online or visit the Lansing Municipal Center, 3141 Ridge Rd., and complete a form.



DECORATE A TREE!

Holiday Tree-Lighting Ceremony

Holiday festivities will commence with the Village's official holiday tree-lighting ceremony and the arrival of Santa and Mrs. Claus to their Lansing home at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 29.

From then on, all sponsored trees will be on display and illuminated every Wednesday through Sunday in December, culminating on Dec. 21.

Don't miss this opportunity to be part of a magical tradition that brings the community together. For more details and to register, visit www.FoxPointe.org.



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NEW FACILITY TO HELP WITH DISPOSAL OF CHEMICALS

We all have them—old bottles of pesticide, rusted gas cans, forgotten containers of weed killer or motor oil, tucked away in garages, sheds, or basements. Some are so old, the labels have completely worn off!

These items fall under the category of Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)—unwanted products that contain corrosive, toxic, ignitable, or reactive ingredients. According to the Environmental Protection Agency, the average household generates about 30 pounds of hazardous waste each year—waste that requires special handling to keep our communities and environment safe.



at the HHW facility groundbreaking event.

Soon, Lansing residents and others in the Chicago Southland will have a safe, convenient, and permanent solution: a brand-new household hazardous waste facility, located next to the Center for Hard to Recycle Materials (CHaRM Center) in the north parking lot of South Suburban College, 15800 State St., South Holland.

In May, Mayor Brian Hardy joined Cook County President Toni Preckwinkle, Congresswoman Robin Kelly, Cook County Commissioner Donna Miller, and numerous regional leaders to celebrate the groundbreaking of this longawaited facility, **scheduled to open this fall**.

Once open, the facility will offer residents a safe and responsible way to dispose of items such as:

- Household chemicals
- Rechargeable batteries
- Oil-based paints and solvents
- Medications
- Fluorescent light bulbs
- And MORE!

This project represents a major leap forward in public health, environmental stewardship, and regional cooperation. A huge thank-you goes out to all the partners who made this initiative possible!

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