



# Village of Maywood Community News December 2021



## From the Desk of Mayor Nathaniel George Booker

As we Move Maywood Forward Together, I will continue working with Federal, State, County, Township, and Local Government to ensure our more than \$180m worth of Infrastructure issues are addressed along with moving us forward in broadband technology advancements. I look forward to partnering on ensuring Maywood gets it's fair share of the more than \$17 billion coming to our great State of Illinois for Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

It is always a privilege and inspiring to listen to my mentor, Speaker Emanuel "Chris" Welch. In the words of Speaker Welch, "I-290 is among the most congested interstates in our country. Since its construction, it has displaced historic neighborhoods, led to departures of thousands of families and hundreds of businesses, and led to a demographic shift of Black families in the areas that it borders. We owe it to our state, and our people to reconnect our communities and repair the racial inequities caused by the original construction of this interstate."

*Mayor Nathaniel George Booker*





VILLAGE OF MAYWOOD &  
THE MAYWOOD PARK  
DISTRICT  
- PRESENTS -

The Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony  
"Welcome to the Holiday Season!"

Master of Ceremony:  
Mayor Nathaniel George Booker  
Proclamation for  
Chairman Fred A. Hampton Sr.  
Presented by  
Cook County President  
Toni Preckwinkle  
Commissioner Brandon Johnson

Performances by:  
Proviso East High School  
Marching Band  
Irving Middle School Choir  
Maywood Fine Arts

ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING  
CEREMONY

Enjoy the evening festivities with Vintage Village Activities,  
Holiday Music, Mini Santa's Workshop & Cafe and a Visit from  
Santa & Friends

Dec. 4, 2021 / 4:00pm - 6:00pm

5th & St. Charles - Between the Maywood Train Station and  
the Maywood Library

Click on link for directions

<https://www.maywoodparkdistrict.org/upcoming-events>







# Maywood Hispanic Community Event “Learn About Resources & Share Needs”



**Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup> @ 10am**  
**Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm**  
**Lightford Recreation Center**  
**809 Madison St., Maywood, IL**  
**Tamales & Mexican Bread Served**



PASO – West Suburban Action Project (Proyecto de Acción de los Suburbios del Oeste) is a community-based social justice organization that works to build a community where its residents have equal access to opportunities to have fulfilled and dignified lives regardless of their immigration status.

**We Fight for Immigration Reform + Referrals to Immigration Attorneys +  
Base Building + Public Policy + Citizenship Classes + English Classes +  
Financial Aid for Families Affected by COVID-19 + Health Access + Tenant  
Rights + Workers Rights.**

## Unity in the Community December 2021 Experiences



**Coach Chaney teaching Basketball Fundamentals at the 200 Building**



<b>PASO West Suburban Action Project</b>	Sat	12/4	10a – 12p	Lightford Center 809 Madison St
<b>Tree Lighting Ceremony &amp; Festivities</b>	Sat	12/4	4p – 6p	115 S. 5 <sup>th</sup> Ave (Next to Library)
<b>PASO West Suburban Action Project</b>	Wed	12/8	6p – 8p	Lightford Center 809 Madison St
<b>Prayer Boot Camp</b>	Sat	12/11	9a – 11a	Lightford Center 809 Madison St
<b>Lunch with the Grinch at WhoVille</b>	Sat	12/11	11a – 1p	Maywood Park District 921 S. 9 <sup>th</sup> Ave
<b>Holiday Steppers Set</b>	Sat	12/11	7p – 12a	Maywood Park District 921 S. 9 <sup>th</sup> Ave
<b>Seniors Christmas Dinner</b>	Wed	12/15	1p – 3p	Maywood Park District 921 S. 9 <sup>th</sup> Ave
<b>Seniors Christmas Bowling</b>	Fri	12/17	11a – 1p	Call 708-344-4740 to RSVP
<b>United Front Toy Drive</b>	Sat	12/18	10a – 3p	Proviso East 807 S. 1 <sup>st</sup> Ave

Sign up for details at [bit.ly/maywoodnews](https://bit.ly/maywoodnews) or call Maywood Park District at 708.344.4740



## Unity in Our Community Experiences during November



Our **Crisis Management & Public Safety Community Listening Sessions** were great. Residents and community advocates shared their various points of view on multiple areas of Safe Schools, Mental Health & Wellness, Health Specialist, Police Relations, Resident Engagement and more. Updates Coming January of 2022



Thank You **Principal Mahone** and **Irving Middle School of [School District 89](#)** for continuing to prepare our students for a brighter future here in the [Village of Maywood](#). The High School Prep Night was a great experience for all the students and parents who came.

[Proviso Township High Schools District 209](#) stands ready to service our youth. Special shout out to [Walther Christian Academy](#), [Fenwick High School](#), [IC Catholic Prep](#), [Elmhurst, IL](#), Proviso East NJROTC, and others who shared possibilities for our youth.





## **Mayor Nathaniel George Booker of Maywood, IL elected to Board of Directors for National League of Cities as the 1<sup>st</sup> for Suburban Cook County**

Created in 1924, National League of Cities (NLC) has evolved into a leading membership organization providing education, research, support, and advocacy to city leaders across America. During the NLC 2021 City Summit, Mayor Nathaniel George Booker was elected to serve a 2-year term on the Board of Directors. This represents the first time in the history of the organization that a Suburban Cook County official serves on the board. As a Director, he will represent the State of Illinois and the nation providing strategic direction and guidance for NLC's federal advocacy, governance and membership activities.

Since joining NLC in 2019, Mayor Booker has served on the Information Technology and Communications (ITC) Federal Advocacy Committee, First Tier Suburbs Council, along with Council on Youth Education and Families. While serving on ITC, the Federal Advocacy committee oversaw policy encouraging Congress to invest with us and give local governments a fighting chance. This committee's work led to some key ingredients of the recently passed Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act for local government.

While serving on the NLC Board of Directors, Mayor Booker will also serve on the National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials (NBC-LEO) Executive Board. NBC-LEO is one of five constituency groups in NLC serving as a vehicle for members to discuss problems and explore solutions, debate policy issues, and contribute to the success of African American cities and towns.

"The National League of Cities board of directors serves an important role in determining the direction of our organization's priorities and policies," said NLC President Mayor Vince Williams of Union City, Georgia. "NLC's board of directors is made up of dedicated local leaders from across our nation, committed to fulfilling the promise of America's cities, towns and villages. I look forward to working with each member to reclaim, renew and reimagine our communities from the wake of the COVID-19 crisis in our country."

Mayor Booker says, "The work of the National League of Cities is about the work of mayors, council members, and thousands of dedicated Americans serving and working for cities and towns across the nation. In the spirit of President Williams, local leaders have a unique opportunity to rebuild their communities from the COVID-19 pandemic to be more equitable and prosperous places as we reclaim, renew and reimagine every city, town and village. I am excited to be the first representative of Suburban Cook County and I look forward to sharing the opportunities, awareness, and prosperity for all, with all of our communities".

*The National League of Cities (NLC) is dedicated to helping city leaders build better communities. NLC represents the country's 19,495 cities, towns, and villages along with 49 state municipal leagues mission is to strengthen local leadership, influence federal policy and drive innovative solutions. [www.nlc.org](http://www.nlc.org)*



## Unity in Our Community Experiences during November



[The Second Baptist Church of Maywood](#) is blessed to have the new Pastor Chauncey D Brown! Looking forward to the new Pastor and Community Advocate to help shift the Culture in the [Village of Maywood](#).



The [Maywood Park District](#) takes the best care of our seniors in the [Village of Maywood](#). The Seniors Friendsgiving Luncheon was a great time. [Village of Maywood Police Department](#) stopped by to enjoy some great food and live music. Shout out to [DLD for YOUTH 501c3](#) for volunteering. Team Work Makes the Dream Work!



Greetings Maywoodians,

I hope everyone had a blissful Thanksgiving holiday. While we are getting ready to close out 2021 and ring in 2022, I urge you to remain vigilant while out shopping, visiting loved ones and simply running errands.

Crime is down overall in our village, but carjackings remain a huge problem. Carjackings are not only an issue in our village, but in all of Cook County. So, take a moment to review the carjacking tips here.

We've created a convenient pamphlet with some more holiday safety tips for you and your family, that you can pick up at Village Hall or at the Police Department.

Again, I am hopeful that we are going to get past all the challenges that 2021 has brought upon us and ring in a happy and healthy start to 2022. Like always, I need your help and urge you to continue to keep an eye out for each other, our kids, our seniors and attend our monthly Maywood Police Department Community Public Safety meetings that are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month.


I'll be seeing you around town but if you need me, I'm a phone call away.

Respectfully,

Chief Elijah Willis



**SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS ARE EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS**



# CARJACKING PREVENTION TIPS

*Brought to you by the Maywood Police Department, Your Partners for Safe neighborhoods.*

**No one sets out to be the victim of a crime.**

Location, Location, Location: Don't be Surprised	Scenarios: Be Aware	Safety Tips: Think Ahead
<p>Certain areas make it easier for carjackers to engage with you. Drivers should be aware of the following frequent carjacking locations;</p> <p><b>Anywhere a driver slows down or stops</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Residential driveways (getting in and out of the vehicle)</li><li>Parking lots and garages</li><li>Gas stations</li><li>ATMs</li><li>Intersections with stop lights</li></ul>	<p><b>Bump and Run</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>You are rear ended. A passenger from the vehicle that bumps you jumps into your driver seat when you go to assess the damage and exchange driver information. Note their description and call 911.</li></ul> <p><b>Stranded Motorist</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Do Not Stop</b> for apparently stranded strangers along the road. Note their location and call 911.</li></ul>	<p>Always be aware of your surroundings. Make it a habit to enter your car, lock your doors immediately and drive away. Look around for suspicious persons sitting in vehicles or loitering in the area before entering your vehicle. Always;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Park in well-lit, visible areas</li><li>Keep your windows up and doors locked</li><li>Equip your vehicle with anti-theft/GPS</li><li>Give yourself room to maneuver around stopped traffic. Don't get 'boxed' in.</li><li>Keep your cell phone in your pocket</li><li><b>Trust your instincts</b></li></ul> <p>Create a Smart 911 profile and include your vehicle information.</p>

**IF YOU ARE THE VICTIM OF A CARJACKING**

- Give up your car and leave the scene.
- The vehicle can be replaced. You are irreplaceable.
- Avoid verbal/physical confrontations.
- Remember the suspect(s)' description and their vehicle's description (if they have one).
- If there is a child in the vehicle, let the carjacker know "my child is in the car."

**Call 911 immediately to report the crime**



125 S. 5<sup>TH</sup> Ave., MAYWOOD, IL 60153  
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MAYWOODILPD  
[www.maywood-il.org](http://www.maywood-il.org)



# Unity in Our Community Thanksgiving in Maywood



Trustee Peppers



Trustee Reyes-Plummer Little Helpers



Trustee Lightford, Quinn Center, & Aetna Solutions



AETNA PLYWOOD



PTHS SD209 VP Theresa Kelly





## JOIN THE VILLAGE OF MAYWOOD AND MAYWOOD PARK DISTRICT COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROJECT

APPLY TODAY AT [bit.ly/maywoodcommunitywork](https://bit.ly/maywoodcommunitywork)

EARN UP TO \$3,900 IN 13 WEEKS

MUST BE AGES 18~24

Assignment/Hours Vary on Experience

Youth, Family,  
& Senior Services

Digital & Web Design

Photography &  
Social Media

Project, Event, and  
Volunteer  
Coordinators

Grant & Sponsorship  
Assistance





## Unity in Our Community Experiences during November



Thank you [Maywood Park District](#) for kicking off the Basketball Fundamentals here in the [Village of Maywood](#) at the Masonic Temple 200 S. 5th Ave.



I would like to thank [Kiva](#) and [Women's Business Development Center](#) for coming to share all things micro-lending with the [Village of Maywood](#) at our monthly Business Lunch n Learn. I would also like to shout out Aaron Canino for showcasing some of his great art. Looking forward to seeing great things from this young man.



Thank you Maywood Park District Executive Director Hall for sharing all the wonderful things happening and soon to come







## Maywood Park District

921 S. 9th Ave. Maywood, IL. 60153

# HOLIDAY STEPPERS SET

Music by Freshtone



DECEMBER 11

7:00pm - Midnight

All proceeds  
go to the Park  
District Youth  
Engagement Funds!



Calling all Proviso East & West Alumni

\$15 per person

\$20 @ the door

*\$5  
Discount  
with a toy  
donation!*

*Dress to  
Impress  
No Jeans or  
Gymshoes!!*



To register and buy tickets

click onlink

<https://www.maywoodparkdistrict.org/upcoming-events>



# Maywood Community Development during November 2021



**First Student** has a new home located at 1001 St. Charles. They are a great asset and the team was full of joy as they enjoy the company BBQ and new HQ celebration.



**National Cycle, Inc.** since the 1902s has been a world leader in motorcycle windshield manufacturing, with more distribution than any other windshield company in the world

Thank you Barry Willey and Family for expanding your business here in the Village of Maywood. We cannot wait to celebrate the completion in Q1 of 2022.



AVW is a family-owned company that believes in manufacturing innovative car washing equipment and building long-term, mutually beneficial business relationships with our customers. Thank you for expanding your business here in Maywood.



# HOLIDAY LUNCH

Bring your  
families & cameras  
fun activities for all.

WITH THE

The

# GRINCH

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11TH**  
**921 S. 9TH AVE., MAYWOOD, IL.**  
**11:00AM - 1:00PM**

Click on link register and pay for tickets  
<https://www.maywoodparkdistrict.org/upcoming-events>





# Deck the Halls



## Holiday Home Decoration Contest

Village of Maywood Residents

Lights must be illuminated during judging period

December 17 | Judging Time-frame  
4:00pm - 6:00pm



Registration Required by Dec. 11  
Winner announcement|December 18th at the  
Holiday Giveaway!!!

Click on link register

<https://www.maywoodparkdistrict.org/upcoming-events>



## Supporting Local during November 2021



Tusain Collins started [Lickle A Jamaica](#) (620 S. 5th Ave) with a vision and Faith. Resident after Resident came in loving Collins, the spirit of the restaurant, and the food. This place truly feeds the mind, body, and soul.



**Help Heal Veterans** is located at 615 Roosevelt Rd. They offer a variety of therapeutic craft kits free of charge to our veterans, both in-home and at community craft centers. The kits use recycled and sustainable materials, promote healing and show our veterans that we remember and care about them. [www.healvets.org](http://www.healvets.org)



**Say Cute By Cheyenne Marie** (617 Roosevelt Rd) OFFERS A VARIETY OF STYLISH AND ABSOLUTELY CUTE PIECES TO GET YOU THROUGH MEETINGS, BRUNCH, DATENIGHT, AND CITY GIRL LINK UPS. SHOP SAY CUTE FOR SOME OF THE BADDEST, & LATEST PIECES IN FASHION. [www.saycutebycheyennemarie.com](http://www.saycutebycheyennemarie.com)



## Unity in Our Community Experiences during November



Congratulations to our **Roosevelt Elementary School Raiders** Ladies Basketball Team on your School District 89 Championship! We know all the teams, coaches, and families came to support and we appreciate everyone's hard work and dedication.

Join us at the next Village of Maywood Prayer Boot Camp  
Saturday, November 11, 2021 @ 9am



**EVERYONE IS WELCOME**  
**Ezekiel 36:33-36 (NIV)**



“This is what the Sovereign LORD says: On the day I cleanse you from all your sins, I will resettle your towns, and the ruins will be rebuilt. The desolate land will be cultivated instead of lying desolate in the sight of all who pass through it. They will say, “This land that was laid waste has become like the garden of Eden; the cities that were lying in ruins, desolate and destroyed, are now fortified and inhabited.” Then the nations around you that remain will know that I the LORD have rebuilt what was destroyed and have replanted what was desolate. I the LORD have spoken,





Village of  
**Maywood**  
Illinois

## The Village of Maywood Prayer Confession

Father, we come boldly to your throne of grace interceding for the Village of Maywood. We pray for a spiritual awakening in the hearts of the Maywood residents. Thank you for preserving this Village and bringing restoration, wholeness, and generational wealth to our communities. Restore this generation's faith, passion, and ignite in them a holy fire that will destroy every demonic influence.

Thank you, Father, that you have delivered Maywood out of the power of darkness and translated them into the Kingdom of Your dear Son.

We bind every strong man that has held Maywood bound; we execute divine judgment against the forces of darkness and cancel every satanic operation. We thank You that the works of the enemy are destroyed and declare that Jesus is Lord! We plead the blood of Jesus over Maywood and its residents and declare that heavenly angels have been given charge over this Village to protect it.

We thank You that the body of Christ has been released; as laborers have been sent to Maywood preaching the gospel, bringing healing to the brokenhearted, deliverance to the captives, and liberty and restoration to the bruised. Let the outpouring of the Holy Spirit consume them with wisdom, prosperity, truth, love, joy, peace, righteousness, faithfulness, and holiness that will manifest God's Kingdom and bring forth revival to the Land. Father, we know that Your Word will not return to us void and will accomplish everything to which we've sent it to in Maywood, in Jesus' name. Amen!



# UNITED FRONT

2021

## 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL Toy Drive

**DEC.18.2021 | 10AM-3PM**

**"PUTTING THE HAPPY BACK IN THE HOLIDAYS"**

YOUR LOCAL PROVISO TOWNSHIP ORGANIZATIONS PRESENT TO YOU  
OUR ANNUAL HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE. COME ONE COME ALL.

**PROVISO EAST HIGH SCHOOL:**  
807 S 1ST. AVENUE, MAYWOOD, IL 60153



**JOIN US AND OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS**





## Maywood at a Glance

### Village Hall

40 Madison Street  
Maywood, IL 60153  
Phone: 450.6300

### Nathaniel George Booker VILLAGE PRESIDENT

Gwaine Dianne Williams  
**Village Clerk**

### Trustees

Antonio Sanchez  
Melvin L. Lightford Sr  
Shabaun Reyes Plummer  
Aaron Peppers  
Miguel Jones  
Isiah Brandon

### Village Manager

Chasity Wells-Armstrong

<b>Police Emergency</b>	<b>9-1-1</b>
<b>Non-Emergency</b>	<b>450.4470</b>
<b>Fire Emergency</b>	<b>9-1-1</b>
<b>Non-Emergency</b>	<b>343.5595</b>
<b>Mayor's Office</b>	<b>450.6303</b>
<b>Clerk's Office</b>	<b>450.6360</b>
<b>Public Works</b>	<b>450.4482</b>
<b>Water Dept.</b>	<b>450.6324</b>
<b>Manager's Office</b>	<b>450.6301</b>
<b>Code</b>	
<b>Enforcement</b>	<b>450.4405</b>
<b>Finance Dept.</b>	<b>450.6300</b>
<b>Community Development</b>	<b>450.4429</b>

Website [www.Maywood-il.org](http://www.Maywood-il.org)

3,262

Confirmed Cases



13,874

Confirmed Cases per 100,000  
People



38

Cases Reported Last Week\*



162

Weekly Case Rate per 100,000\*



+39%

Percent Change in Confirmed Cases in Past  
14 Days\*\*



14,748

People with at Least One Vaccine  
Dose



62.7%

Percent of Population with at Least  
One Vaccine Dose



11,056

People with Complete Vaccine Series



47%

Percent of Population with Complete  
Vaccine Series



Getting vaccinated will protect yourself and those around you and will help keep your community healthy.



The vaccine will not give you COVID-19. The COVID-19 vaccine cannot create an infection and you will not be contagious.



The vaccine works with your immune system so you can better fight the virus if you are exposed.



Most of the available vaccines require two doses. The first dose primes your immune system to respond to the virus, the second dose makes the effects of the vaccine last longer. By having more than one dose, the vaccine will allow your body to have a more effective response to the virus.

Visit [vaccine.cookcountyiil.gov](http://vaccine.cookcountyiil.gov)