

ENVIRONMENTAL SCAN

FEBRUARY 2018



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In November 2017, the Village began its first formal strategic planning process in conjunction with Northern Illinois University's Center for Governmental Studies. The end product of the strategic planning process will be a collective action plan for the Village, with input from elected officials, Village staff and other stakeholders.

The strategic planning process will:

- Enable the Village Board to set organizational purpose and strategic direction
- Provide an analysis of the operating environment
- Receive public input into the process
- Develop a plan with clear priorities and measurable targets
- Provide an easy to understand document for use by the Village and community

The Village of Homer Glen Environmental Scan is a description and analysis of the Village, its demographics and the current environment of the Village organization and the community as a whole. It provides a framework for understanding the Village, its attributes, and relevant issues in planning its future, as well as the context of the broader region of which it is a part. The Village Board initiated and will lead the strategic planning process with staff input and assistance provided as needed.



OVERVIEW

MISSION STATEMENT (June 5, 2001)

The Village of Homer Glen is committed to preserving, protecting, and enhancing our community's quality of life through responsible residential and economic development while utilizing sound fiscal management. We will strive to maintain open space, preserve our unique rural character, and safeguard our natural resources. The Village encourages community involvement in order to maintain and cultivate a balance of family, agriculture, business, environment, and cultural diversity for present and future generations

CORE VALUES (June 5, 2001)

Rural Atmosphere: Concern for Environment

Managed Growth Density: Commercial Base Development

Inclusion – A Sense of Community: Limit Intrusive Government

HISTORY / INCEPTION

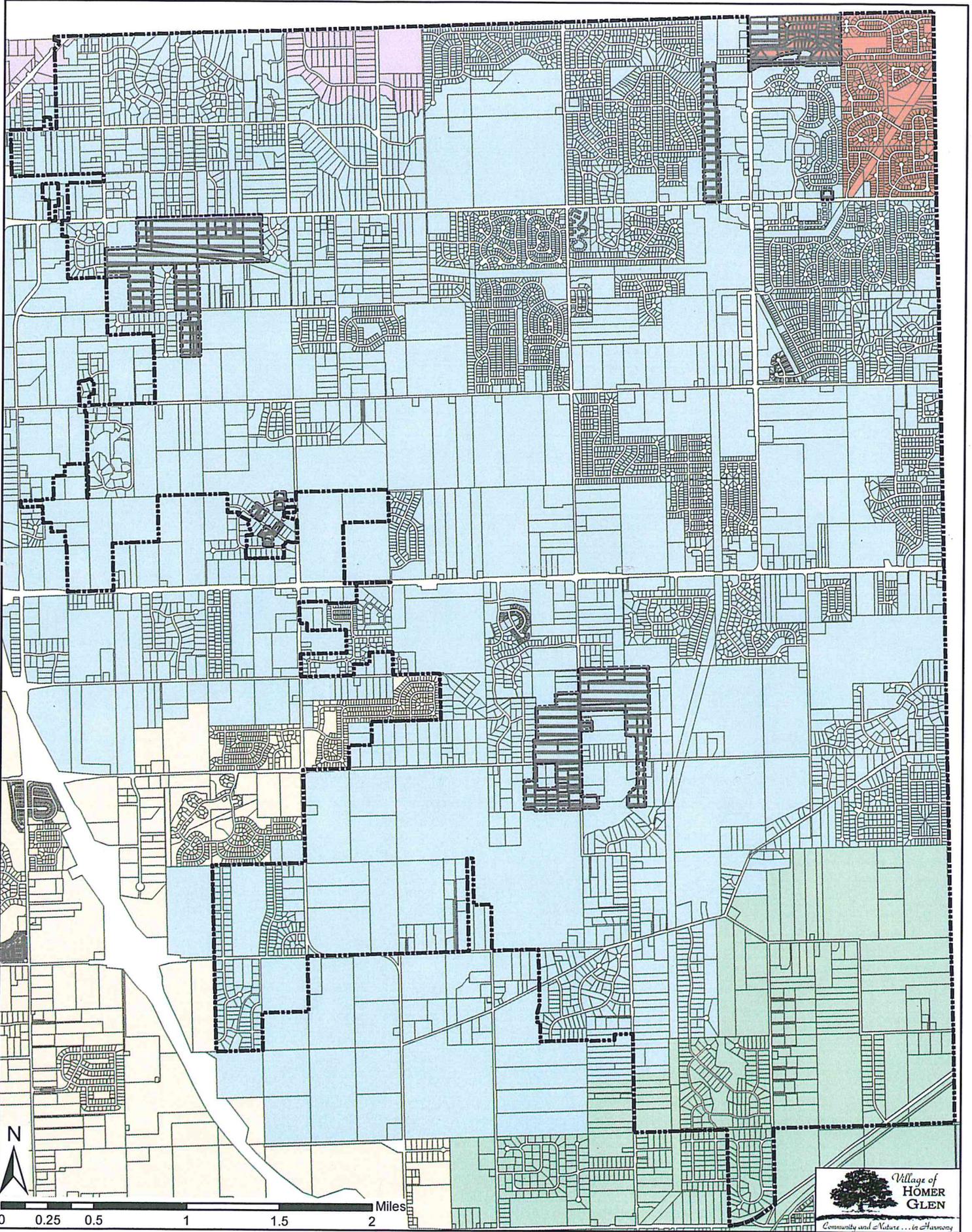
In late 1999, a group of concerned citizens of Homer Township formed the “Committee to Incorporate Homer Glen.” These individuals wanted to preserve their way of life; especially the rural character, agricultural setting and individual freedoms. Most notably, these concerned citizens wanted to control their destiny with regard to development, overcrowding and annexations of surrounding villages.

After several incorporation efforts, the 2001 referendum to incorporate was overwhelmingly successful and approved by the voters with a 2 to 1 margin. The Village was officially incorporated on April 17, 2001.

LOCATION

The Village of Homer Glen is strategically positioned in northeastern Will County, 25 miles southwest of downtown Chicago. Homer Glen encompasses approximately 22 square miles of land and is the fourth-largest municipality by population in Will County with an estimated population of 24,481. It is generally bordered by the Village of Lemont and unincorporated Cook County on the north, the Village of Orland Park and unincorporated Cook County on the east, the Village of New Lenox and unincorporated Will County on the south, and the Village of Lockport and unincorporated Will County on the west. The I-355 Veteran’s Memorial Tollway South Extension links I-55 south to I-80 on the western edge of the community. Due to the Village’s unique incorporation process, there are currently four zip codes within the municipal limits: Homer Glen (60491), Lemont (60439), Orland Park (60467) and Mokena (60448).

Zip Code Map - Homer Glen, 2016



- | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|
|  Unincorporated Parcels |  Other/Not in Village |  60467: 682 Parcels |  60448: 297 Parcels |
|  Village Limits |  60439: 66 Parcels |  60491: 8,632 Parcels | |

FORM OF GOVERNMENT

The Village operates under the Trustee-Village form of government with six trustees forming the legislative body. The Trustees and Mayor are elected from the Village at-large each serving a term of four years.

VILLAGE BOARD

The Village Board is the community's legislative and policymaking body. The Board is focused on the community's goals, major projects and such long-term considerations as community growth, land use development, financing and strategic planning. A professional Village Manager is appointed by the Board to implement the administrative responsibilities related to the Board's goals.

MAYOR

The Mayor or President is the Chief Executive Officer of the Village. The Mayor is required to see that the laws and ordinances are faithfully executed. The Illinois Liquor Control Act makes the Mayor the Local Liquor Commissioner.

CLERK

The Village Clerk is responsible for maintaining a complete and permanent history of actions taken by the Village Board. In doing so, the Village Clerk attends meetings of the Village Board, keeps a record of its proceedings, publishes and attests to all Resolutions and Ordinances passed by the Trustees and seals and attests to all contracts of the Village, as well as other licenses, permits and documents.

TREASURER

The Treasurer is responsible for the custody of all Village funds and the disbursement of said funds as may be approved by the Village Board. In addition, the Treasurer may invest temporarily idle cash as may be available in the various funds from time to time.

TRUSTEES

A Trustee is elected to represent the residents of the Village. Each Trustee is assigned to a Village Committee to deliberate issues which are brought before the Trustee's respective Committee.

COMMISSION/COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

In addition to the Village Board, there are numerous Committees and the Plan Commission which meets on a regular schedule and as needed. The Standing Committees are Administration and Finance, Parks and Recreation, Environment, Community and Economic Development, Parade and Festival, Homer Harvest Days, Public Services and Safety and the Plan Commission. The Village President appoints members to these Committees and the Plan Commission with the approval of the Village Board.

Plan Commission

The **Plan Commission** is a recommending body that conducts public hearings and makes recommendations to the Board of Trustees regarding the Village's Comprehensive Plan and for requests for rezoning, special uses, variances and subdivisions.

Administration and Finance Committee

The **Administration and Finance Committee** acts as a recommending body which advises the Village Board on matters relating to the administrative function of the Village including Village finances, business affairs, human resources, administrative policies and procedures, consulting services, contracts, and grants. The Administration and Finance Committee will address issues related to budget and audit review; strategic planning, analysis of organizational structure, systems and procedures; identification of available funding sources; review of grant applications with special emphasis on financial implications; assuring compliance with fiscally responsible fund accounting and management practices.

Committee of the Whole

The **Committee of the Whole** consists of the Mayor and all six trustees who are involved in the deliberation of Village business at the committee level. Agendas are structured to address items of major policy direction and citizen interest.

Community & Economic Development Committee

The **Community & Economic Development Committee** acts as a recommending body which advises the Village Board and staff on planning for the economic health of the community consistent with the goals established in the comprehensive plan. The Community & Economic Development Committee will address issues related to community development (i.e., comprehensive planning, growth strategies and community services) and economic development (i.e., business retention, recruitment relations and marketing).

Environment Committee

The **Environment Committee** acts as a recommending body which advises the Village Board and staff on environmental issues impacting the ecological welfare of the community consistent with the vision statement of Homer Glen's "Green Vision Plan" (i.e., preserving natural resources, environmental learning, community aesthetics and issues related to air, water and land pollution).

Parade and Festival Committee

The **Parade and Festival Committee** is a joint committee established between the Village of Homer Glen, Homer Township and Homer Township Road District. The Committee acts as the planning and recommending body which advises the Village and Township Boards of all matters related to the coordination of the annual Homer Community Parade and Festival. The Committee will address issues related to: event scheduling, festival location and footprint, parade route and street closures, coordination with public services and safety officials, financial obligations, contracts, licensing and insurance, parking and transportation protocols, event website, promotional and sponsorship opportunities, volunteers, publicity and signage.

Parks & Recreation Committee

The **Parks & Recreation Committee** acts as a recommending body which advises the Village Board and staff on providing recreational opportunities for the residents of Homer Glen (i.e., parks & open space acquisitions and development, trail planning and funding opportunities).

Public Services & Safety Committee

The **Public Services & Safety Committee** acts as a recommending body which advises the Village Board and staff on issues related to the provision of public services (i.e., infrastructure, utilities, engineering, buildings and grounds) and public safety (i.e., police services, health, and emergency operations). For advisory purposes the Village President shall appoint to the Public Services and Safety Committee, with the advice and consent of the Village Board, voting representatives from the following organizations or entities: Will County Sheriff's Department, Fire Districts with jurisdiction within Homer Glen corporate boundaries, the Emergency Management Agency, Homer Township Road District and others as deemed necessary to provide professional expertise to the Committee.

HOME RULE STATUS

The Village of Homer Glen obtained Home Rule status in 2008 with a population of 25,069. The official 2010 Decennial Census figures were certified on March 3, 2011 indicating a population of 24,220. When the population dipped below 25,000, the residents needed to pass a referendum to remain a Home Rule community. In 2012, the voters approved a Home Rule referendum allowing the Village to continue as a Home Rule unit of local government. Home Rule status has allowed the Village of Homer Glen to maintain a 1% home rule sales tax rather than using a municipal property tax levy to fund Village services and infrastructure improvements.

ELECTED OFFICIAL HISTORY AND CURRENT OVERVIEW

After the Village incorporated in 2001, the first Village officials were appointed under the laws of the State of Illinois until an official election could be held. Volunteers staffed Village Hall from the first day and subsequently the Village Manager and Finance Director were appointed. There have been three Village Presidents, Mayor Russ Petrizzo (2001-2007), Mayor James P. Daley Jr. (2007-2015) and the current Mayor, George Yukich. There have been three Village Clerks, Christine Luttrell (2001-2003), Gale Skrobuton (2003-2015) and the current Clerk, Ann Holtz. The Board is comprised of Trustees Brian Burian, Carlo Caprio, Keith Gray, Christina Neitzke-Troike, Beth Rodgers and Sharon Sweas.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL PARTNERS

Since 2001, the Village has contracted for police services with the Will County Sheriff's Office and the Homer Township Road District for public works services. The Village of Homer Glen is served by the following five (5) fire protection districts: Homer Township Fire Protection District, Northwest Homer Fire Protection District, Orland Fire Protection District, Mokena Fire Protection District and New Lenox Fire Protection District.

WORKFORCE CHALLENGES

- **Succession planning/retention**
- **Special events staffing and budgeting**
- **Park programming/staffing**
- **Updating IGAs (Sheriff's Department and Road District)**
- **Professional services for Information Technology**

Village of Homer Glen Organizational Chart

Citizens of the Village of Homer Glen

Village Clerk

Mayor and Village Board

Advisory Commissions, Village Treasurer and the Village Attorney

Village Manager (1)

Contracted Services:
Public Safety (Will County Sheriff's Office);
Public Works (Homer Township Road District);
Village Arborist (Private Contract)

Facilities Maintenance Department

Facilities Manager (1)

Maintenance Worker (1)

Custodian (1)

Seasonal Maintenance Workers (2)

Building Department

Chief Building Official (1)

Deputy Building Official (1)

Code Compliance Officer / Building Inspector (1)

Administrative Assistant (1)

Permit Tech (1)

Administration Department

Assistant Village Manager (1)

Deputy Clerk (1)

Community Relations Coordinator (1)

Analyst / Project Manager (1)

Customer Service Representatives (2)

Administrative Assistant (1)

Finance Department

Director (1)

Administrative Assistant / AP Clerk (1)

Development Services Department

Director (1)

Inspectors (2)

Planning & Zoning Department

Director (1)

Assistant Planner (1)

Economic Development Department

Director (1)

Current Staff Count

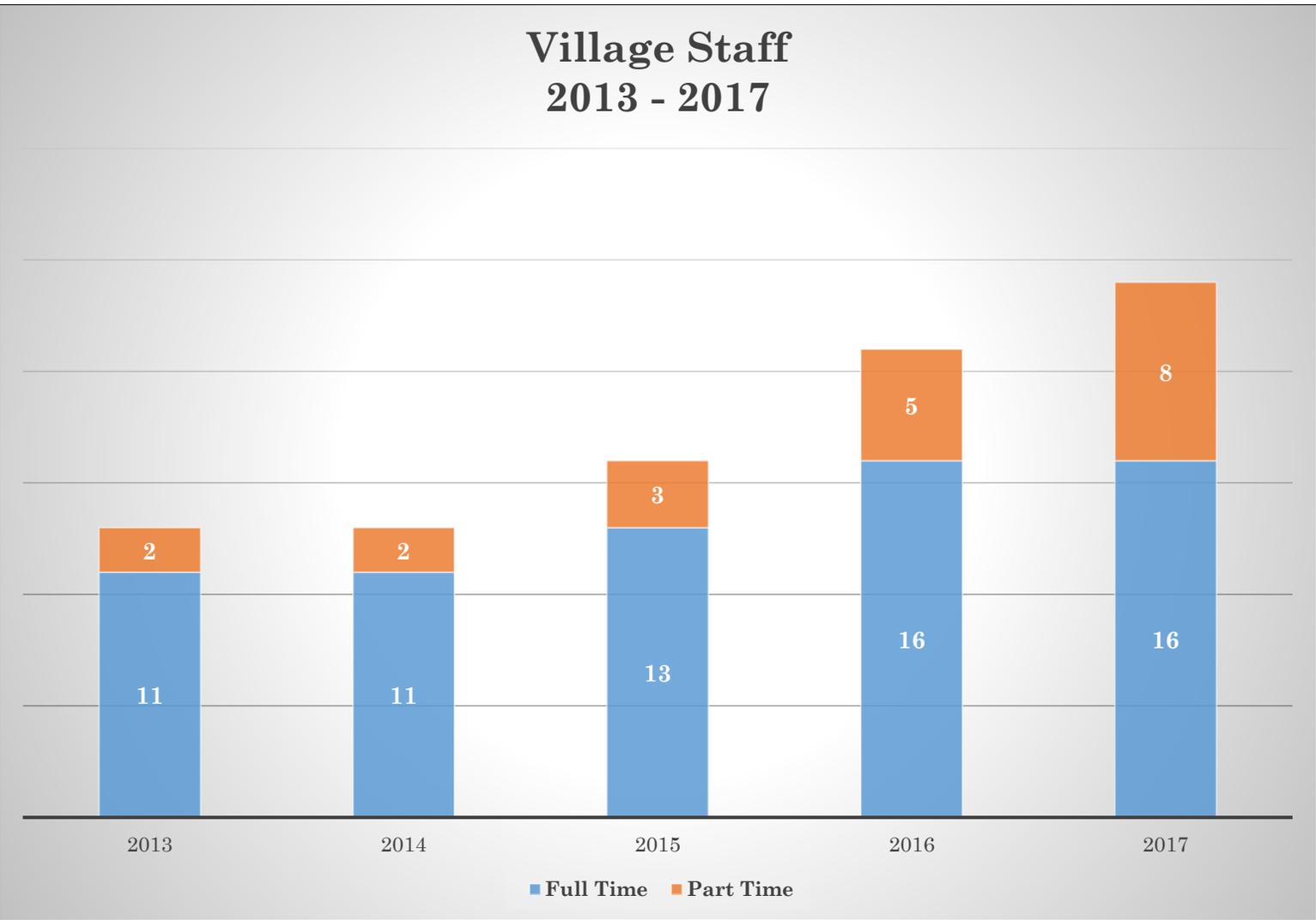
Full Time = 16

Part Time = 8

Seasonal = 2

Legend: Constituents Elected Officials Appointed Officials/Contracted Services Full-Time Part-Time Seasonal

Village Staff 2013 - 2017



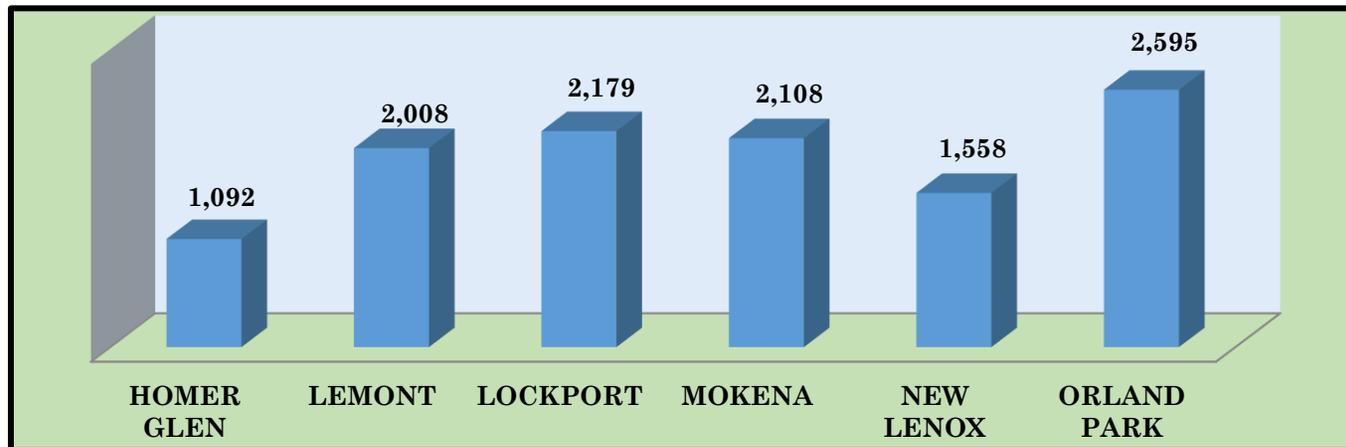
| COMMUNITY LIVABILITY FACTORS | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|--|---------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|
| | Recreational Facilities - Park District? | Sense of Place - Downtown | Availability of Retail - Malls (no strip centers) | Transportation - Access to Interstate | Transportation - Access to Public Transportation | Health & Wellness - Walk Score | Other - Regional Facilities |
| Homer Glen | No | Heritage Park | No | I-355 | No | 14 | Loyola Center for Health; Over 1,300 acres of Forest Preserve and; Pumpkin farms |
| Lemont | Yes | Yes | No | I-355 | Metra | Not Available | I&M Canal Trail |
| Lisle | Yes | Yes | No | I-88 and I-355 | Metra | 38 | Benedictine University |
| Darien | Yes | No | No | I-55 and I-355 | Pace, no Metra station | 34 | |
| Woodridge | Yes | No | No | I-55 and I-355 | No | 30 | |
| Orland Park | Yes | Yes | Yes | I-80 | Metra | 27 | Robert Morris College; St. Xavier University; Orland Square Mall |
| Lockport | Yes, Township | Yes | No | I-355 | Metra | 23 | I&M Canal Trail |
| New Lenox | Yes | Yes | No | I-80 and I-355 | Metra | 23 | New Lenox Commons; Old Plank Trail |
| Romeoville | Recreation Dept. | No | No | I-55 | Metra | 22 | Lewis University; Airport |
| Mokena | Yes | Yes | No | I-80 | Metra | 21 | |
| Frankfort | Yes | Yes | No | No | No | 20 | Downtown Village Green; Old Plank Trail |

DEMOGRAPHICS

| Population Growth Comparison* | | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|---------------|--------|
| | 2010 Census | 2015 Estimate | Change |
| Homer Glen | 24,220 | 24,395 | 175 |
| Lemont | 16,087 | 16,788 | 701 |
| Lockport | 24,887 | 25,175 | 288 |
| Mokena | 18,755 | 19,923 | 1,168 |
| New Lenox | 24,373 | 25,800 | 1,427 |
| Orland Park | 56,655 | 58,619 | 1,964 |

*Source: 2010 U.S. Census and US Census Bureau 2015 Population Estimates

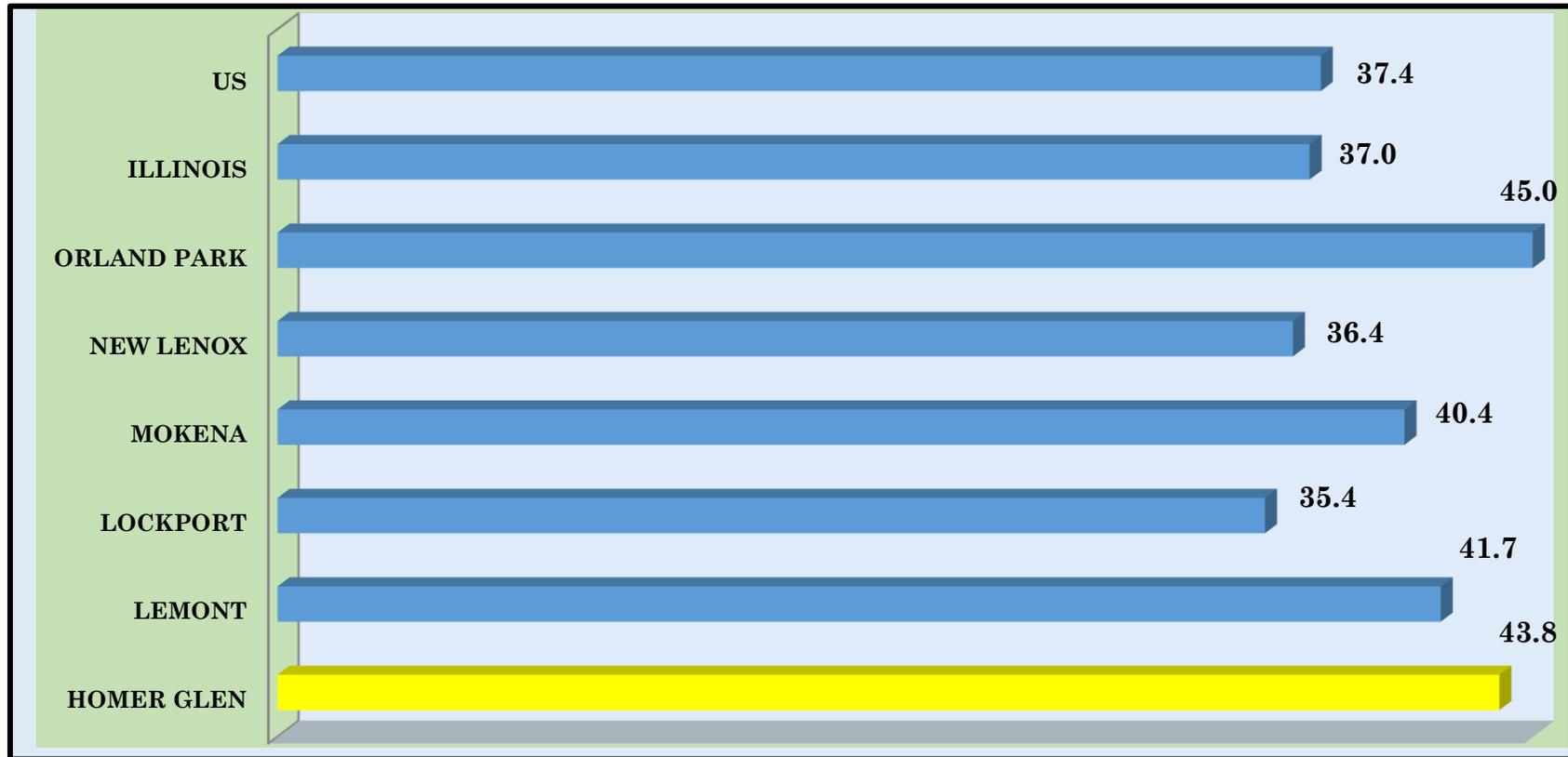
Population Per Square Mile Comparison*



*Source: 2010 U.S. Census

Homer Glen's density of 1,092 persons per square mile is 30% less than the density for 5th ranked New Lenox and 46% less than the density for 4th ranked Lemont. Homer Glen has 58% less than the density for first ranked Orland Park.

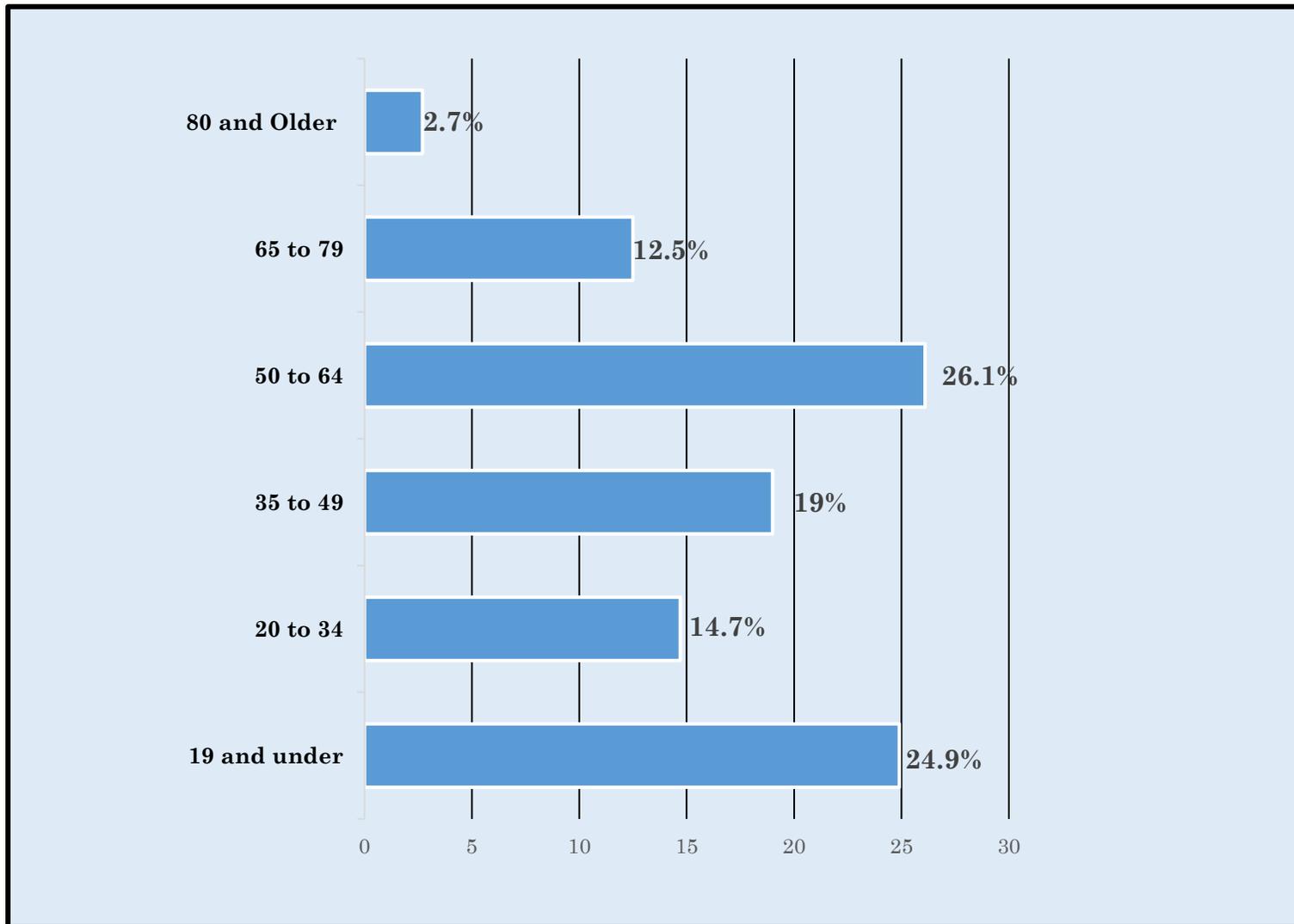
Median Age Comparison*



*Source: 2014 Census Estimate

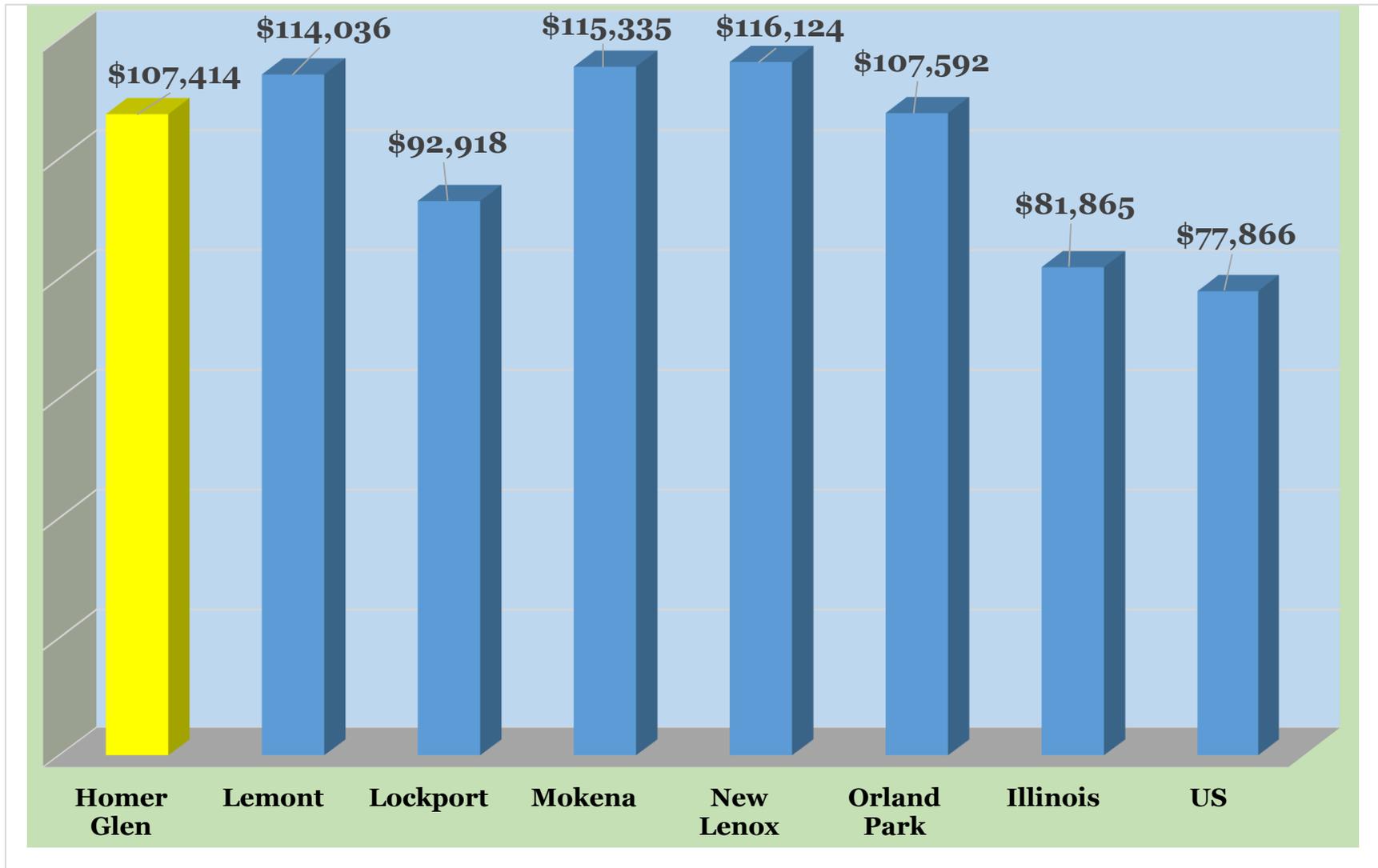
The median age comparison reflects the overall aging of the US population with the Baby Boomers (1943-1964). The median age in the US and the state of IL is about 37 years old. Among the six (6) communities, Homer Glen and Orland Park have the highest median ages at 43.8 and 45 years old, respectively. Lockport and New Lenox have the lowest median ages at 35.4 and 36.4 years old, respectively. These two communities are also younger than the median ages for the state and the nation.

Homer Glen Population by Age*



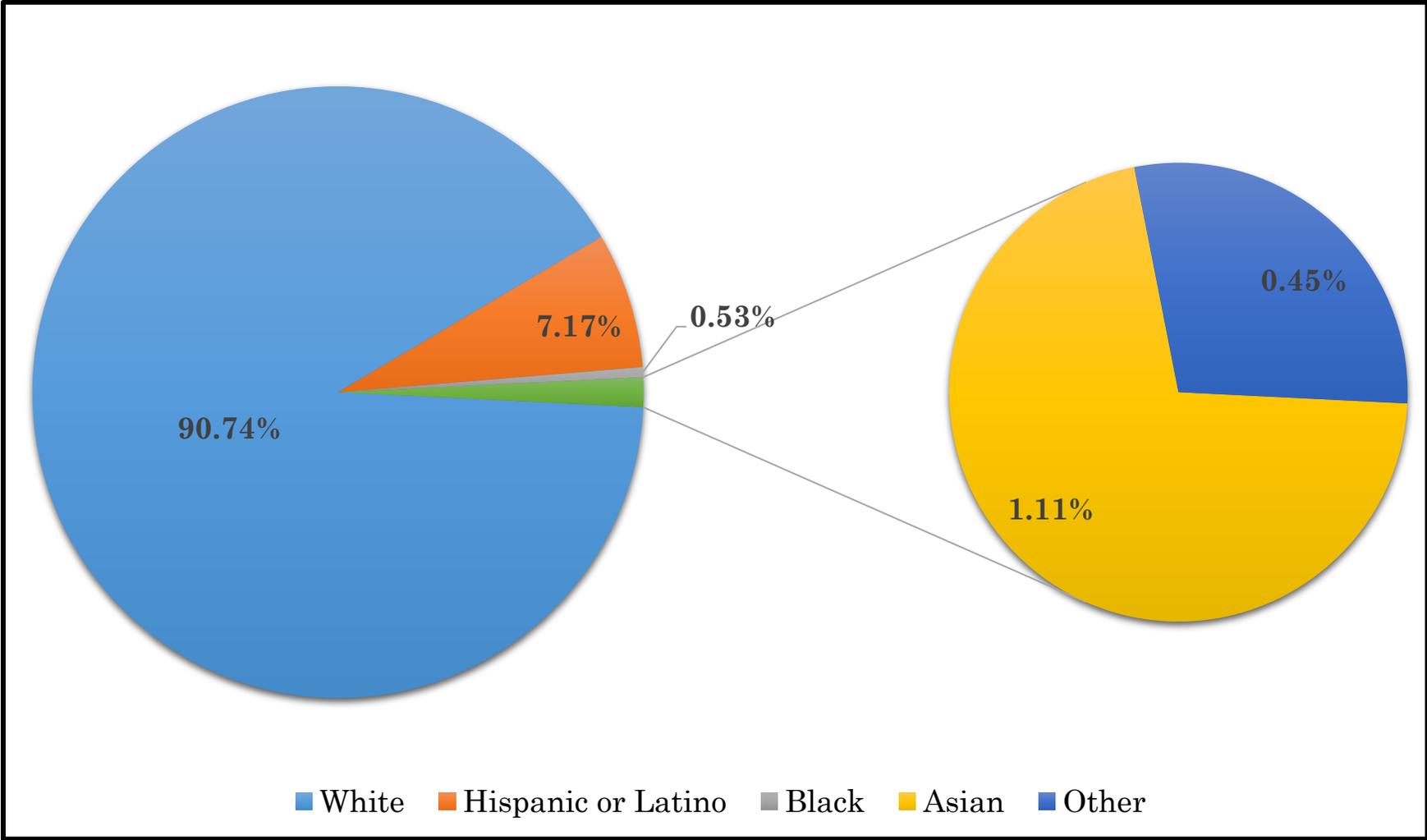
*Source: American Community Survey five (5) Year Estimates (2011-2015)

Average Household Income Comparison*



*Source: 2012-2016 American Community Survey five (5)Year Estimates

Homer Glen Population by Race*



*Source: 2015 American Community Survey five (5) Year Estimates (2011-2015)

ADMINISTRATION

Village Manager (FT)

Assistant Village Manager (FT)

Community
Relations
Coordinator
(FT)

Customer
Service
Representatives
(2 PT)

Administrative
Assistant (PT)

Deputy Clerk
(FT)

Administrative
Analyst (FT)

ADMINISTRATION OVERVIEW

The Administration Department is responsible for the executive management of the daily operations of the Village of Homer Glen.

The Village Manager provides leadership, vision and direction to the Village's departments, implements the Village Board's policy and works with the Board and administrative staff to craft strategic and financial planning objectives. The Village Manager serves in a highly visible capacity as an ambassador for the community and to other governmental agencies.

The Assistant Village Manager assists with the planning, managing, directing and reviewing of the overall activities and operations of the Village. The Assistant Village Manager also serves as the human resources manager, risk management coordinator and webmaster of the Village's website.

The Administrative Analyst, under general direction, performs duties in support of the administration department such as researching, analyzing data, composing reports and planning, developing and supervising special projects.

The Community Relations Coordinator serves as planner and coordinator of a variety of community events, publications, promotional materials, press releases, website and other written communications for the Village.

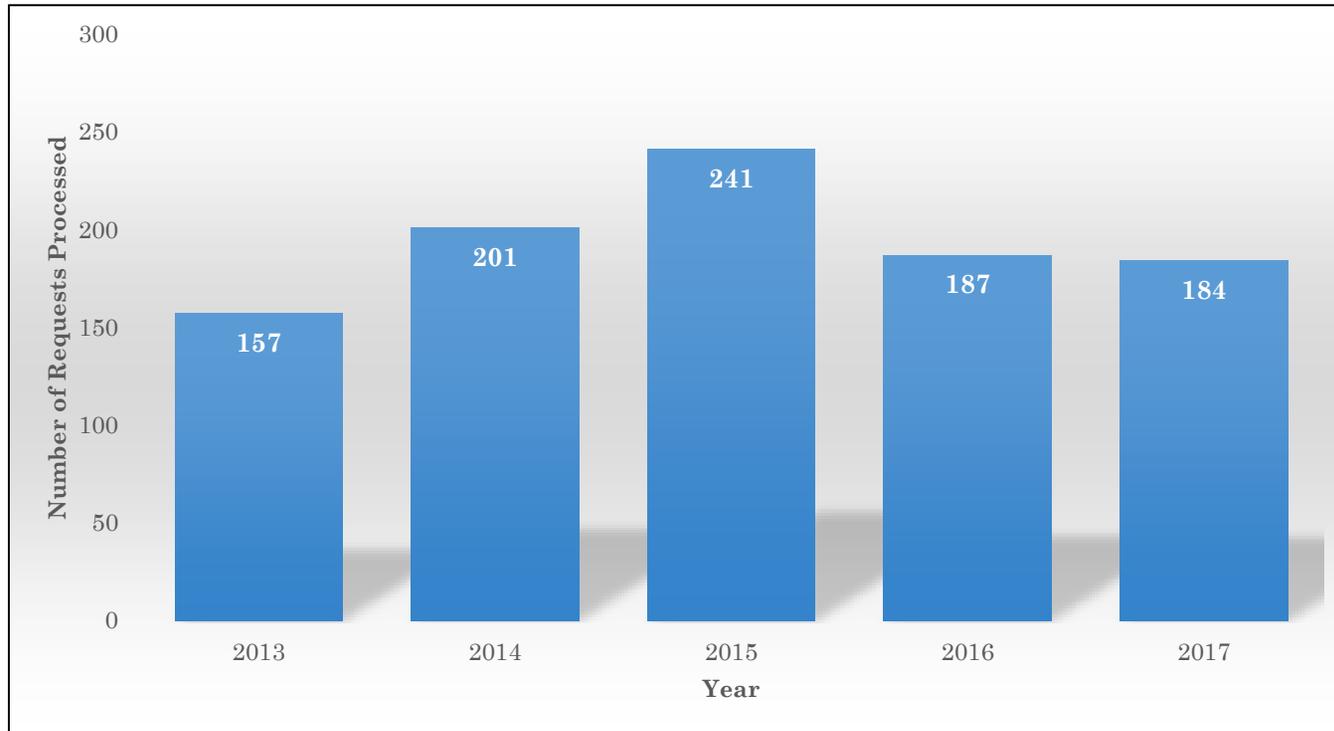
The Deputy Clerk is responsible for providing administrative support to the Village Clerk and Village Manager. The Deputy Clerk maintains the Village Code, agreements and ordinances and also serves as a FOIA Officer, processing inquiries from the public for official Village documents.

The Administrative Assistant is responsible for providing administrative support to the department. This individual works on special projects as directed by the Village Manager and assists the Deputy Clerk with research related to FOIA requests.

The Customer Services Representatives are responsible for assisting with resident's needs or directing inquiries to the appropriate department. They also provide administrative support to staff members in the Administration Department.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION / TRANSPARENCY

Freedom of Information Requests 2013 - 2017



The Village Clerk and Deputy Village Clerk serve as the Village’s Freedom of Information (FOIA) officers. Requests to the Village are made via email, mail, fax or in-person inquiries. The Village responds to all initial requests within five (5) business days. The Village may request an extension if required. The Freedom of Information Act ensures that all persons are entitled to full and complete information regarding the affairs of government and the official acts and policies of those who represent them as public officials.

SERVICE AGREEMENTS

Law Enforcement Services

The Village of Homer Glen has contracted with the Will County Sheriff's Office for law enforcement services since incorporation in 2001 through an Intergovernmental Agreement.

Public Works Services

The Homer Township Road District maintains the roads, road signs, drainage systems, sidewalks and trees that are in the road right-of-way within the Village of Homer Glen. This relationship is governed by an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) dating back to 2001 and subsequently revised in 2003. The Agreement authorizes the Road District to manage maintenance of the Village roads, in the same manner as it did prior to the Incorporation of Homer Glen. The IGA is an annual agreement that automatically renews on each anniversary date.

Refuse, Recycling and Yard Waste Agreement

The Village of Homer Glen contracts with Homewood Disposal (NuWay) for regularly scheduled, clean and courteous collection, disposal and processing of refuse, recyclables and yard waste from designated residential properties throughout the Village. As part of their quarterly billing, NuWay charges a \$1.00 surcharge per unit on each bill. Proceeds from this surcharge are used by the Village for special recycling events and/or the remediation of improper disposal of refuse.

Mosquito Abatement Services Agreement

The Village of Homer Glen contracts with Clarke Mosquito for mosquito abatement services. In addition to monthly treatment of mosquito breeding sites (i.e. drainage ditches), each month from June thru September, Clarke Mosquito performs one Village-wide spray application in the late evening; reducing the mosquito population by 80%. The Village is notified by Clarke 12-24 hours prior to each spray event; which is then posted on the Village's Website for advanced notice to residents.

Electric Aggregation Agreement

After two (2) Public Hearings, 55.94% of Homer Glen residents voted to pass the March 20, 2012 Referendum directing the Village Board to contract out for an electric aggregation supplier on their behalf. The Village of Homer Glen joined with seventeen (17) other municipalities in Will County to form the intergovernmental Will Electric Aggregation Group. The sole purpose of establishing this intergovernmental group was to gain group buying power for the purchase of competitively priced electricity from an alternative retail electric supplier certified by the State of Illinois. Dynegy was chosen as the new retail electric supplier for the Will Electric Aggregation Group for October 2017 to October 2018. Dynegy is an independent seller of power and energy service and is certified as an Alternative Retail Electricity Supplier by the Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC Docket No. 14-0336).

NORTHERN WILL COUNTY WATER AGENCY



NORTHERN WILL COUNTY
WATER AGENCY

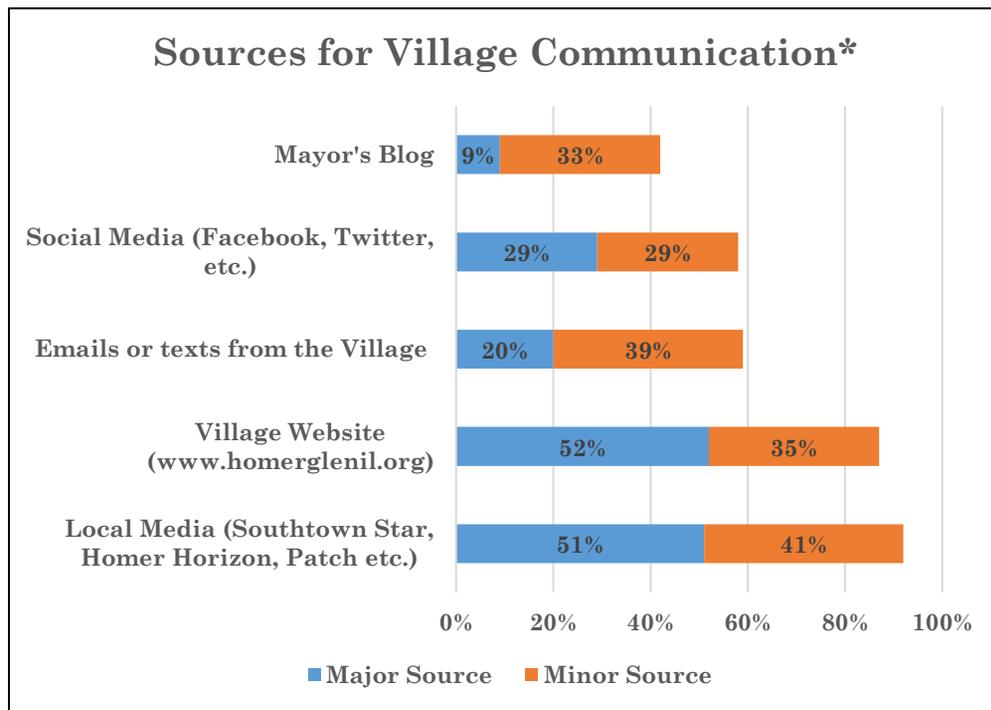
In 2012, Homer Glen and four area communities joined together to form a new water agency with the purpose of controlling water rate increases and to explore the feasibility of acquiring the Lake Michigan water transmission line which runs from Bedford Park to the southwest suburbs. By acquiring or purchasing the transmission line from Illinois American, the water agency will be able to control the water rates. The Water Agency is comprised of the Village of Bolingbrook, Homer Glen, Lemont, Romeoville and Woodridge. The initial meeting of the agency was held on June 11, 2012.

The agency is currently in eminent domain proceedings for the possible purchase of the water transmission line.

| Northern Will County Water Agency Breakdown of Cost Sharing | | |
|--|----------------------------|------------------|
| Municipality | Percentage of Costs | Customers |
| Bolingbrook | 78.7% | 23,000 |
| Homer Glen | 20.6% | 6,000 |
| Lemont | .059% | 17 |
| Romeoville | .022% | 6 |
| Woodridge | .684% | 200 |

COMMUNICATIONS

The Village’s communication practices are guided by Standard Operating Procedure No. 013, the Village of Homer Glen’s Media Communication Policy. Per the policy, social media accounts, website and print publications of the Village are strictly a means of government communication and shall be related to Village government or may include items from other governmental entities that service the Village.



In the Village’s 2017 National Citizen Survey, respondents were asked to indicate how much of a source, if at all, you consider each of the following to be for obtaining information from the Village of Homer Glen. ‘Local Media’ and ‘Village Website’ were the top two sources of information.

*Source: 2017 National Citizen Survey

VILLAGE WEBSITE



Village News:
322 Subscribers



*159th St.
Improvements:*
310 Subscribers



Mayor's Blog:
306 Subscribers

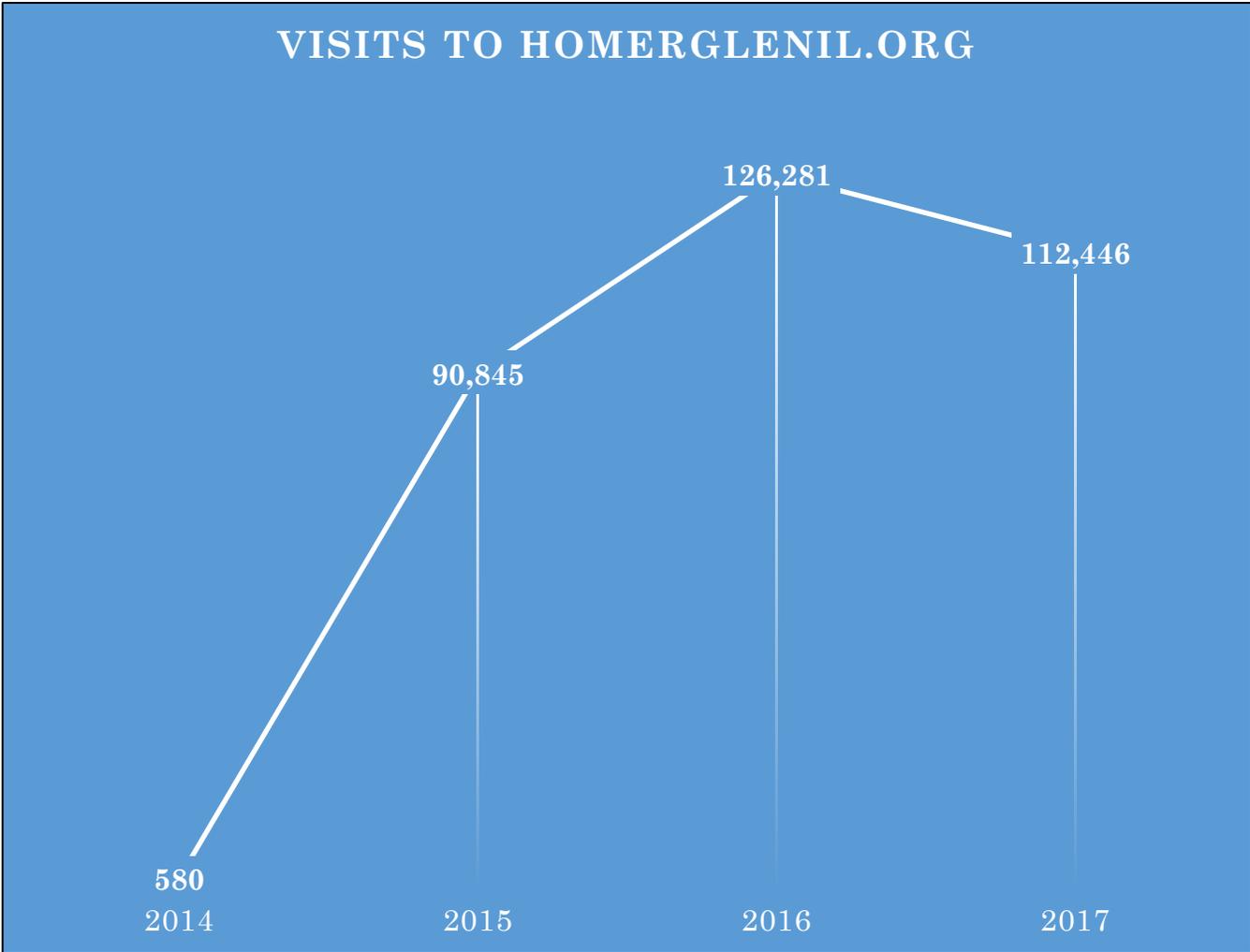


Business News:
201 Subscribers

The Village's current website (www.homerglenil.org) was launched on September 9, 2014 to enhance the transparency and public information functions of the organization. Some of the highlights of the website include:

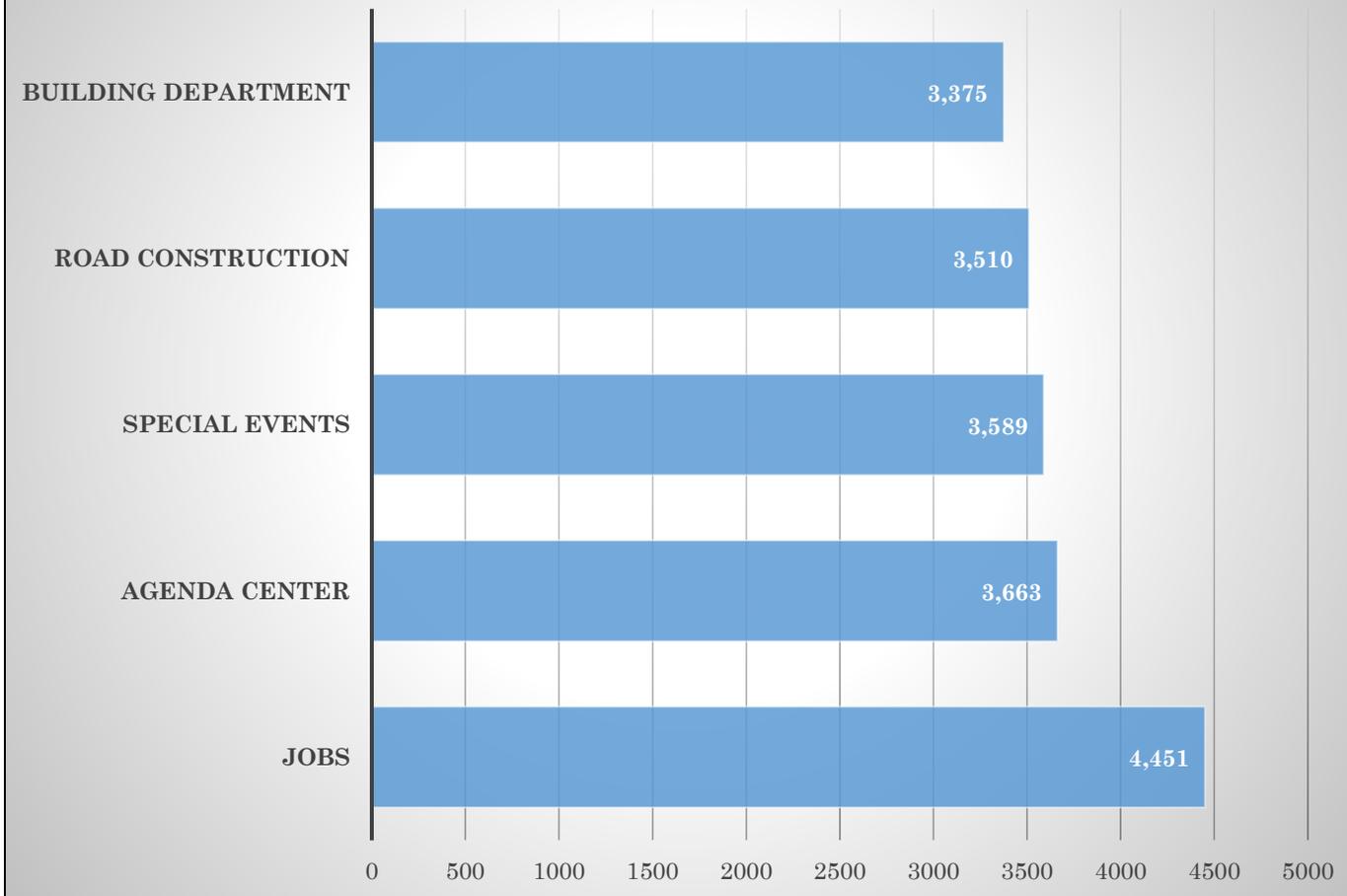
- Resident request portal (property maintenance, drainage issues, park and trail maintenance, parkway trees, streetlight outages, etc.)
- Village Board / Committee / Commission meeting agendas, minutes and packets
- Government transparency portal (public records, financial information, contracts, etc.)
- Business Connect portal (available space inventory, business news, business resources, etc.)
- Departmental information / resources
- Employment advertisements
- Bid / RFP advertisements
- Contact information for elected officials and staff members
- Special event information
- Community resources (new resident information, utilities / services, environmental concerns, maps, etc.)

The Village's website allows users to subscribe to receive notifications when particular updates are posted. In the graphic to the left is a summary of the various website notification lists and their respective number of subscribers.

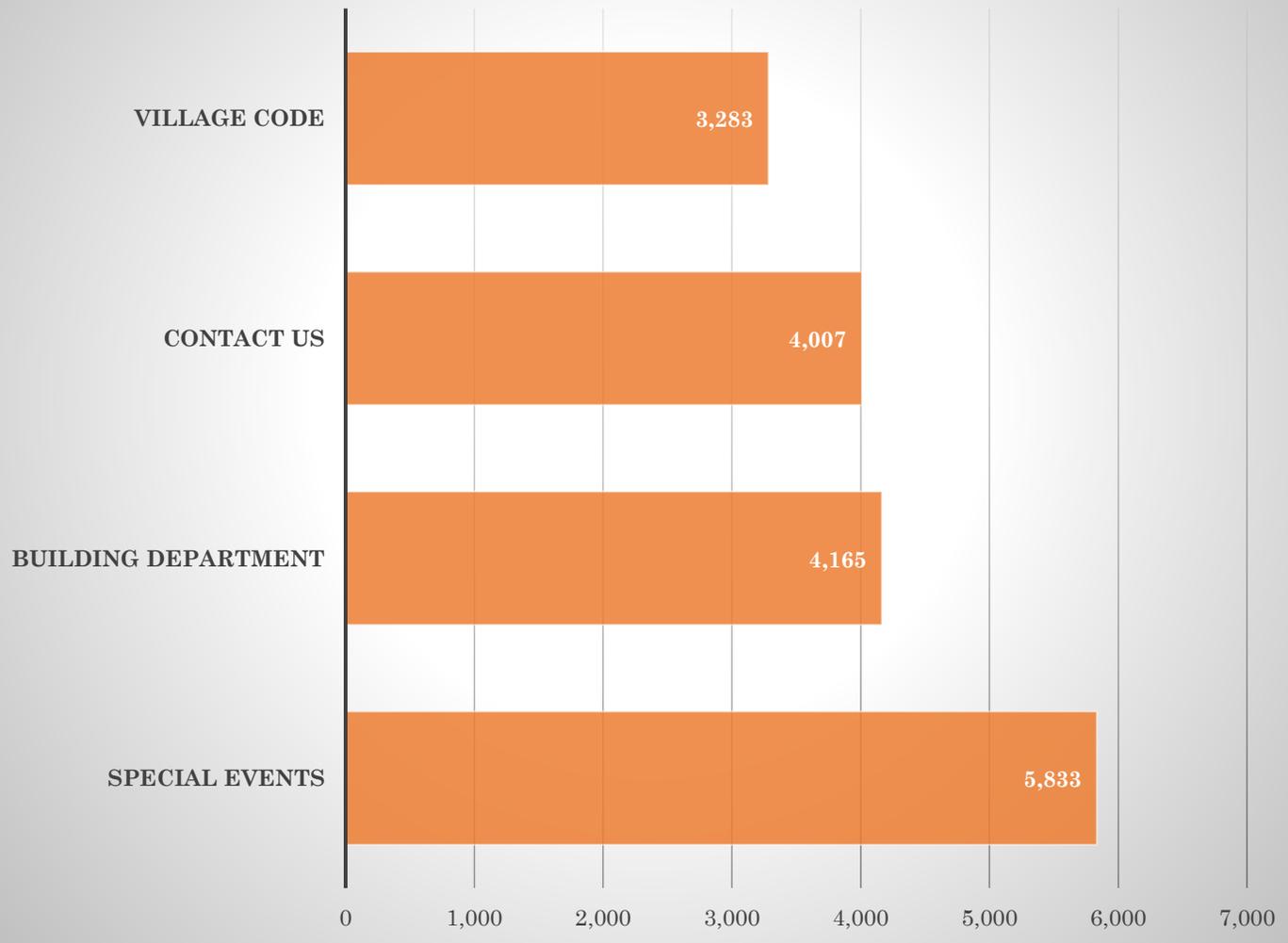


**Note: The current Village website was launched on September 9, 2014*

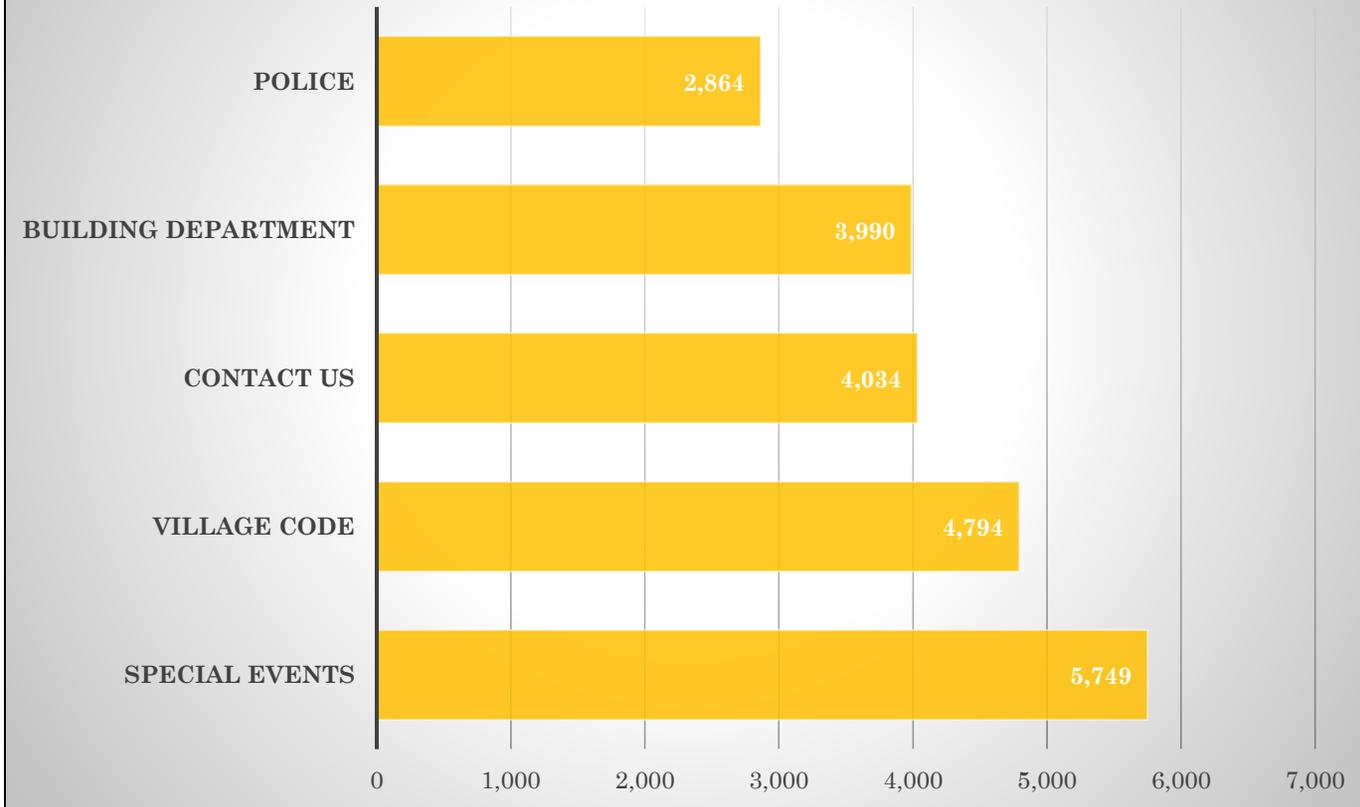
2015 Most Popular Webpages Viewed



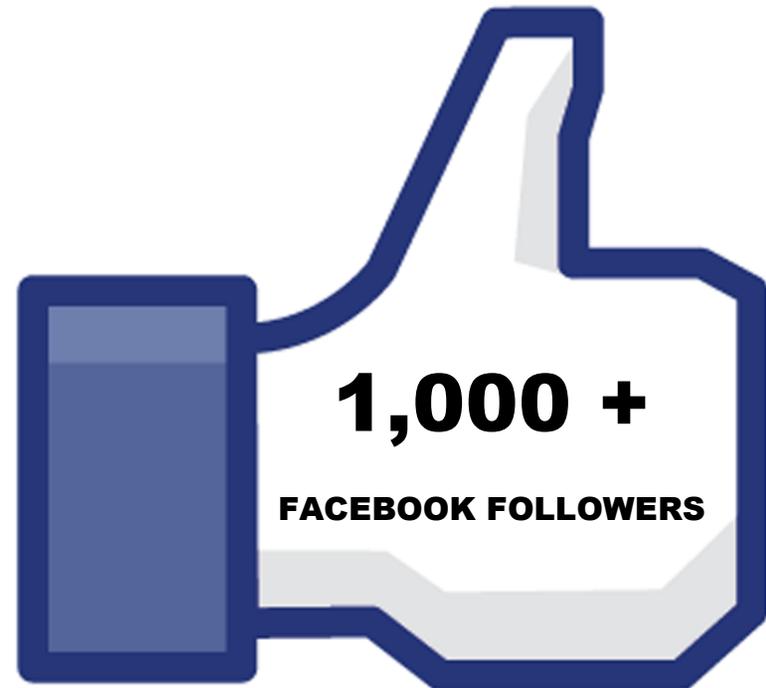
2016 Most Popular Webpages Viewed



2017 Most Popular Webpages Viewed



| Publication | Subscribers in the Village of Homer Glen |
|-----------------|--|
| Chicago Tribune | 1,062 |
| Daily Southtown | 232 |
| Herald News | 197 |
| Homer Horizon | 8,000 |



HOMER COMMUNITY FEST AND OTHER VILLAGE EVENTS

2018 HOMER COMMUNITY FEST

The Homer Community Festival is a four (4) day event that includes a beer tent, live entertainment, food vendors, carnival, special needs day, fireworks, and a parade. An intergovernmental agreement between Homer Township, Homer Township Road District and the Village of Homer Glen provides for the planning and execution of the event.

The **Parade and Festival Committee** is made up of five (5) representatives from Homer Township and five representatives from the Village. Each committee member works on different tasks for the planning of the events, such as advertising, bands/entertainment, beer vendor, carnival, fireworks, food vendors, logistics, parade, special needs day, tents, volunteers and social media.

Homer Township staff coordinate the Parade and Special Needs Day.

Homer Township Road District staff coordinate many of the logistics for site setup, parking and the fireworks.

Village of Homer Glen staff handle the advance sale of mega-passes at the Village Hall and administers the income and expense accounting for the event.

Additional services for the event are provided by the Homer Township Fire Protection District and Will County Sheriff's Office.

Local organizations provide volunteers for beer/beverage sales in the entertainment tent and an additional fifty (50) volunteers from the community assist with setup, take down, trash removal, ID checks, and other on-site cleaning needs.



2018 HOMER COMMUNITY FEST CONTINUED...

EXPENSE BUDGET: \$120,945

PROJECTED INCOME: \$180,200

Carnival Ticket Sales Net: \$77,000

Beverage Ticket Sales: \$64,000

Sponsorships: \$35,000

Vendor Fees: \$4,200

PROJECTED NET INCOME: \$59,255

COST SHARING (funds advanced to cover payment of expense incurred to conduct festival):

\$20,000 Village of Homer Glen

\$10,000 Homer Township

\$10,000 Homer Township Road District

INCOME DISTRIBUTION

50% Homer Township Road District

25% Homer Township

25% Village of Homer Glen



OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS

Unless otherwise noted, the budget amount for community events during 2017-2018 was \$2,000.

Arbor Day Tree Planting

This is a one-day (one-hour) event that is coordinated through the Village's Environment Committee.

Budget: \$400

Community and Nature in Harmony Award Presentations

This is an award presentation coordinated through the Environment Committee. The funds are budgeted through the Environment Committee's budget.

Budget: \$500

Earth Day-Arbor Day – not planned for 2018

This one-day event was held for ten (10) years and will not be held in 2018. Earth Day-Arbor Day is coordinated by the Environment Committee and funded through the Environment Fund. Estimated attendance average is 1,200 people. When weather is good, attendance can be much higher.

Budget \$9,000 2017 expenses: \$6,286

Holiday Tree Lighting/Event

This has been a two-hour evening event and has much potential for growth. The event has been coordinated by Village staff. Estimated attendance in 2017 was more than 200.

2017 Expenses: \$1456.19

Homer Glen Lands Day Tree Planting

This is a one-day (one-hour) event that is coordinated through the Environment Committee.

Budget: \$400

Homer Harvest Days

This is a two-day event planned and executed by an intergovernmental agreement with Homer Township. The focus of the event is the community's historical past and rural character. The event features artisan/craft demonstrations, reenactments, live music (blue grass style), craft vendors, old-fashioned games and craft activities for children and food vendors. Attendance has been declining.

Village Budget: \$10,000 2017 Expenses (Village Portion): \$9,810.52

Park Grand Openings/Dedications

There was one (1) park dedication in 2017. Two (2) dedications are being planned for 2018, Goodings Grove Park and Heritage Park.

Budget: TBD

Recycling – Electronics, Household Hazardous Waste, Paper Shredding

The Village has hosted an electronics and/or Household Hazardous Waste event every other year. The last recycling event was a Household Hazardous Waste only event held in September 2016. A combination electronics and Household Hazardous Waste collection is being planned for the fall of 2018.

Amount to be Budgeted: \$7,500

Stargazing

Two (2) stargazing events are usually planned each year. These events are coordinated by the Environment Committee and the Village's Emergency Management Agency assists. Two (2) events are planned for 2018 (May 11 & September 14). Attendance can be up to 200 people. Astronomy clubs bring out large telescopes and show the public stars, planets, and other astronomical features. The funds needed are budgeted through the Environment Fund. Expenses have been kept low. Some items have been donated. The event has been held at Trantina Farm, which may not be suitable anymore due to warehouse lighting. If a new location is found, the event may be expanded to include food and entertainment.

2017 Expenses: \$100

FINANCIAL CHALLENGES

- **Illinois threatens to keep more of the municipal per capita taxes as an offset to the State's financial uncertainty with regards to unfunded pensions and budget deficits.**
- **Declining revenue streams for park and recreation development, programs and staffing i.e. local motor fuel tax & park contributions.**
- **Continuing to operate without a tax levy and reliance on current General Fund revenues.**
- **Concentration of risk- three (3) largest sales tax collectors in the Village represent 33% of all sales tax collections.**
- **Bonding capability tied to sales tax and underlying property tax (normally abated).**
- **Planning and funding a five (5) year capital plan.**

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Finance Director /
Treasurer (PT)

AP/AR Clerk (0.5 FT)

The Treasurer/Finance Director serves as the chief financial officer of the Village. This position is responsible for ensuring the fiscal integrity of the Village by developing, maintaining and administering all programs related to the accounting of municipal revenues and expenditures. The Finance Director/Treasurer manages purchasing, prepares financial and budget reports and administers the municipal payroll and pension systems. The Accounts Payable/Receivable (AP/AR) Clerk processes payments for goods and services received by the Village and all forms of payment due to the Village. The AP/AR Clerk also serves as back-up to the front desk of the Administration Department, fielding incoming phone inquiries and providing general assistance to the public.

The Finance Department is responsible for collection and recording of revenues, preparation, coordination and monitoring of the Village's operating and capital budgets and investment oversight.

Budgetary control is maintained through an annual budget passed by the Village Board. The Village's Fiscal Year runs from May 1 through April 30. The budget is based on actual expected receipts and expenditures for the year plus any unexpended surplus from prior years. Treasurer's reports, which compare actual to-date performance with the approved budget, are prepared monthly and presented to the Village Board.

As mandated by State statutes, on an annual basis the Village is required to issue a report on its financial position and activity that is presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles of the United States of America and audited in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards by an independent certified accounting firm. In order to ensure the accuracy of its financial position, the Village engages an independent auditor to examine the Village's financial statements.

\$8.8 Million
*FY 17-18
General Fund
Expenditures*

\$26,467,453
*FY 17-18
Expenditures
(All 9 funds)*

\$13,651,293
*FY 17-18
Revenues
(All 9 funds)*

**Home Rule
Community
by
Referendum**

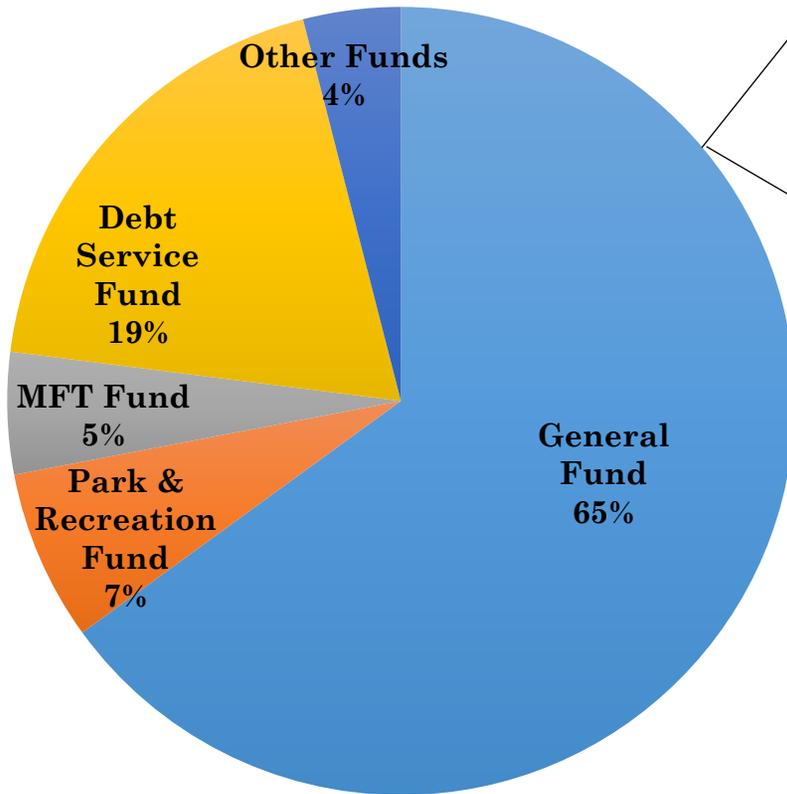
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**GFOA
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**No Municipal
Property Tax**

FY 2017-18 BUDGET NINE FUND BUDGETED REVENUE= \$13,651,293

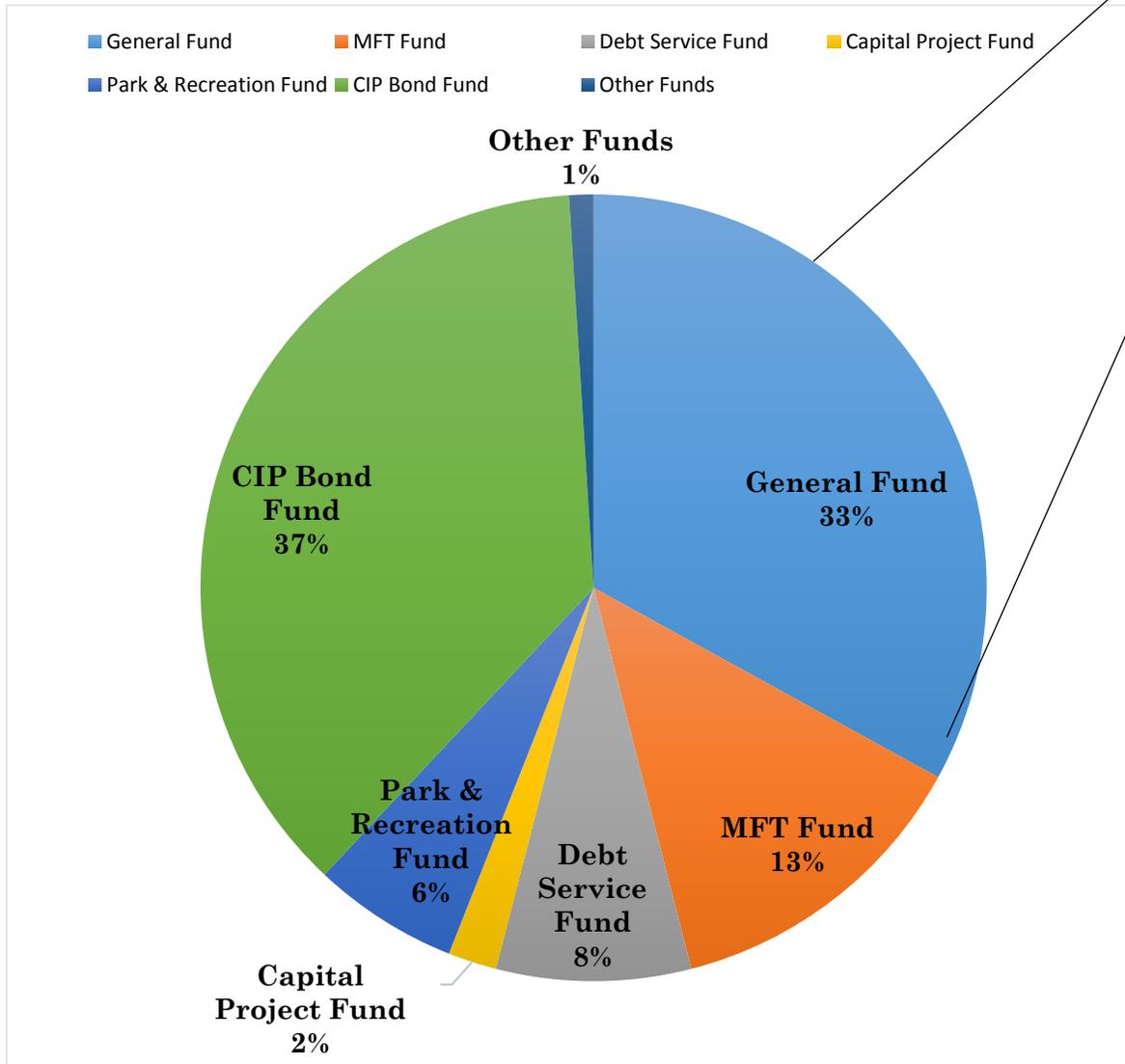
■ General Fund ■ Park & Recreation Fund ■ MFT Fund ■ Debt Service Fund ■ Other Funds



| Source | Percentage of General Fund (GF) Revenues |
|-----------------------|--|
| Sales Tax | 37% |
| State Income Tax | 28% |
| R&B Levy (Homer Twp.) | 15% |
| All Other GF Revenue | 20% |

*The Capital Project, CIP Bond, Environment, CIP EAB Tree Fund and Special Event Funds are classified as "other funds."

FY 2017-18 BUDGET NINE FUND BUDGETED EXPENDITURE= \$26,317,453



| Source | Percentage of General Fund (GF) Expenditures |
|----------------------------------|--|
| Sheriff's IGA | 46% |
| Homer Road District IGA | 13% |
| All Other GF Expenditures | 41% |

*The Environment Fund, CIP EAB Tree Fund and Special Event Funds are classified as "Other Funds"

VILLAGE OF HOMER GLEN TAX RATES

| Village of Homer Glen Sales Tax Rates | | | |
|--|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| | General Merchandise | Vehicles | Qualifying Food & Drug |
| State | 5.00% | 5.00% | 1.00% |
| Municipal | 1.00% | 1.00% | 0.00% |
| Will County | 0.25% | 0.25% | 0.00% |
| Municipal Home Rule | 1.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Regional Transit Authority (RTA) | 0.75% | 0.75% | 0.75% |
| Total Sales Tax | 8.00% | 7.00% | 1.75% |

| Sales Tax Rate Community Comparison | | | |
|--|----------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| Municipality | General Merchandise | Vehicles | Qualifying Food & Drug* |
| Homer Glen | 8% | 7% | 1.75% |
| Lemont | 9% | 7.25% | 2.25% |
| Lockport | 8% | 7% | 1.75% |
| Mokena | 7.5% | 7% | 1.75% |
| New Lenox | 9% | 7% | 1.75% |
| Orland Park | 9.75% | 7.25% | 2.25% |

| Telecommunications Tax | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| State | 7.00% |
| Municipal | 0.00% |
| Total Telecomm. Tax | 7.00% |
| Auto Rental Tax | |
| State | 5.00% |
| Municipal | 0.00% |
| Total Auto Rental Tax | 5.00% |
| Utility Tax | |
| Municipal | 0.00% |
| Cable Franchise Fee | |
| Municipal | 3.00% |
| Motor Vehicle Tax (Per Gallon) | |
| Municipal | \$0.03 |
| Real Estate Transfer Tax | |
| Municipal | 0.00% |

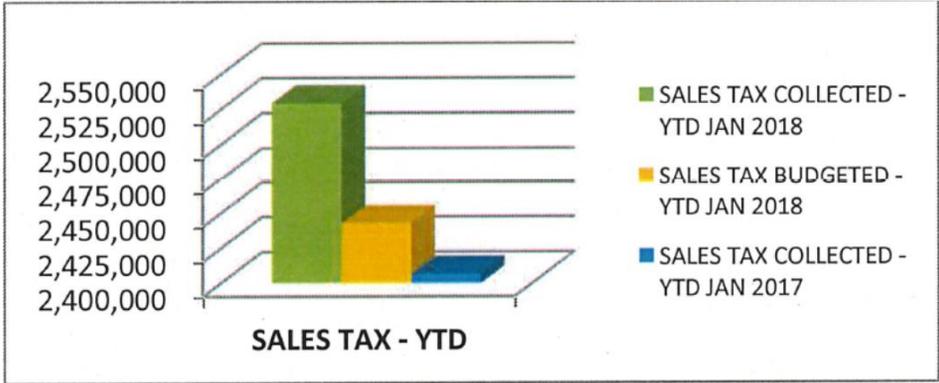
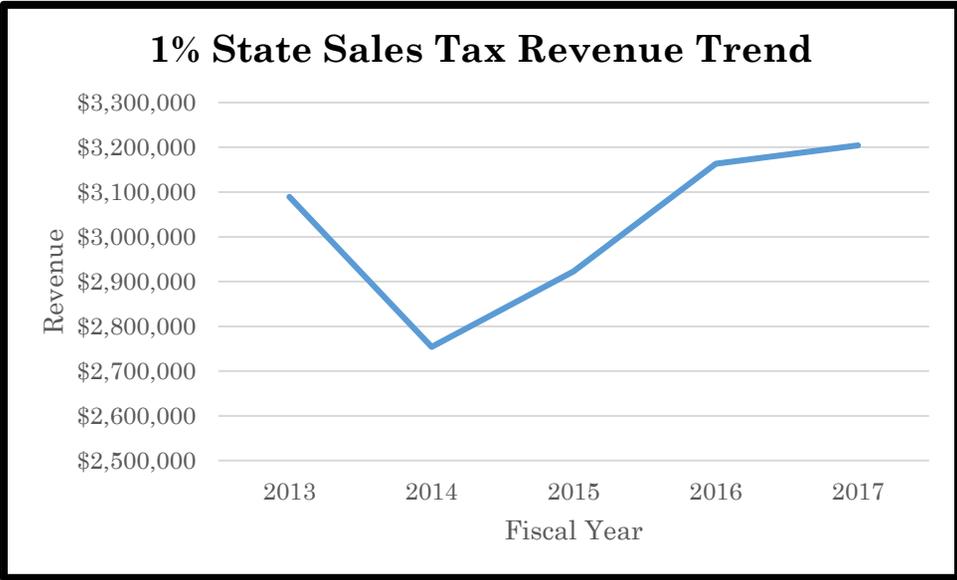
VILLAGE OF HOMER GLEN TAX RATES CONTINUED...

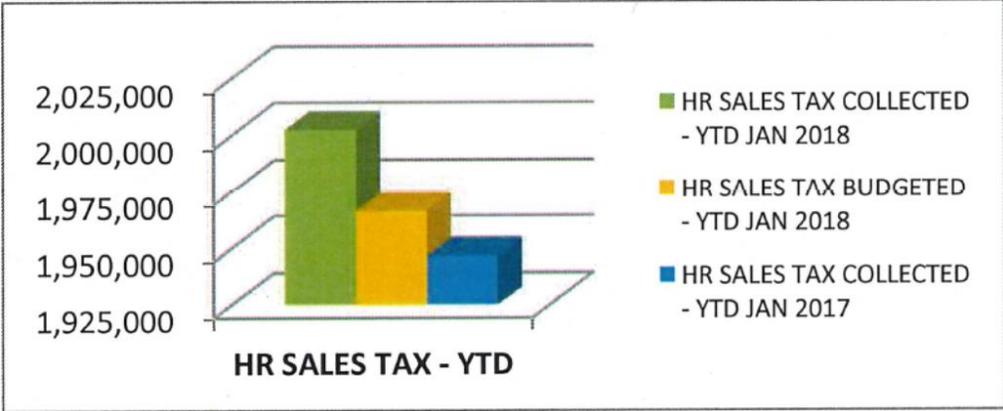
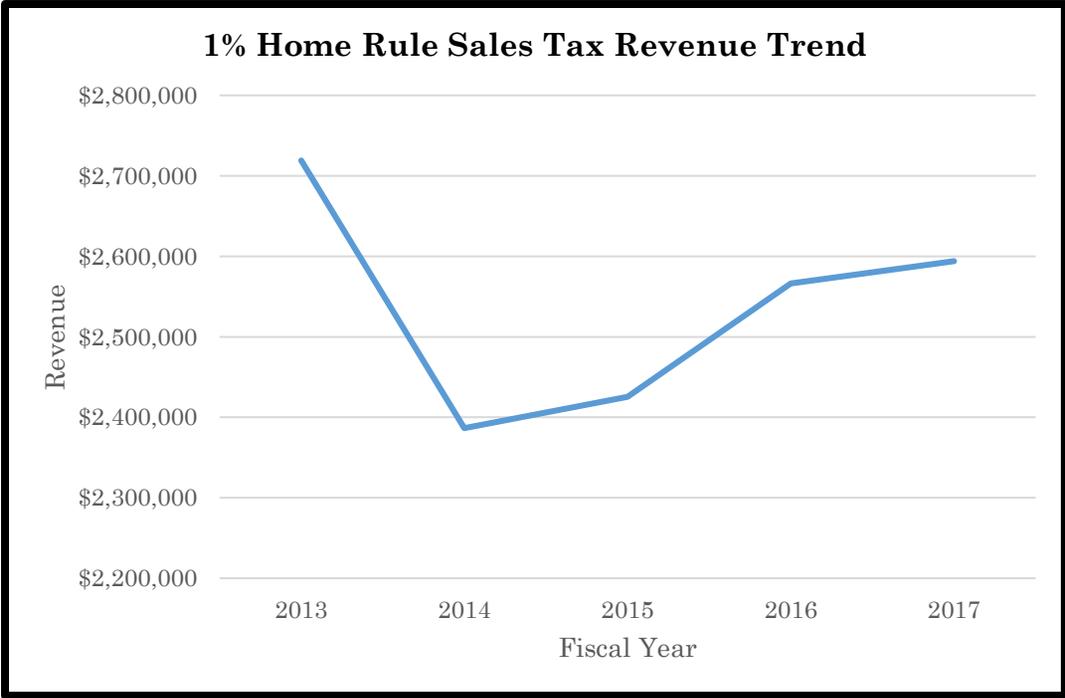
A NOTE ON SALES TAX...

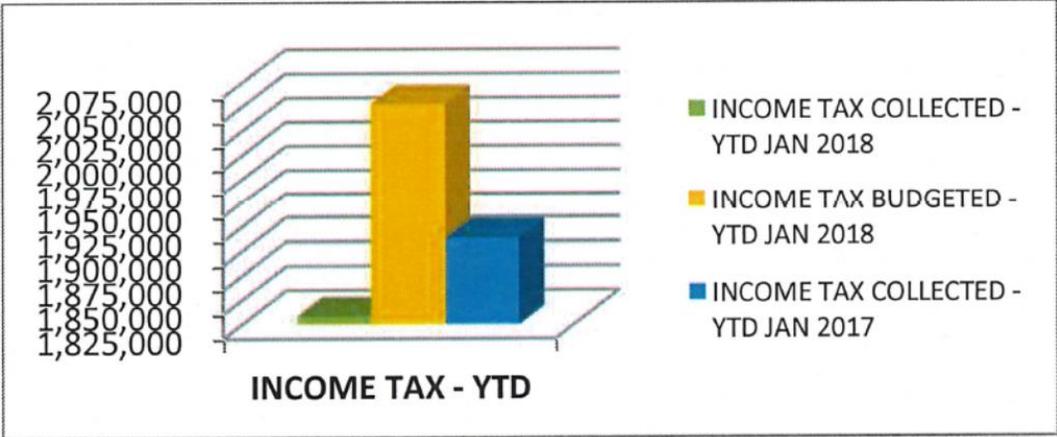
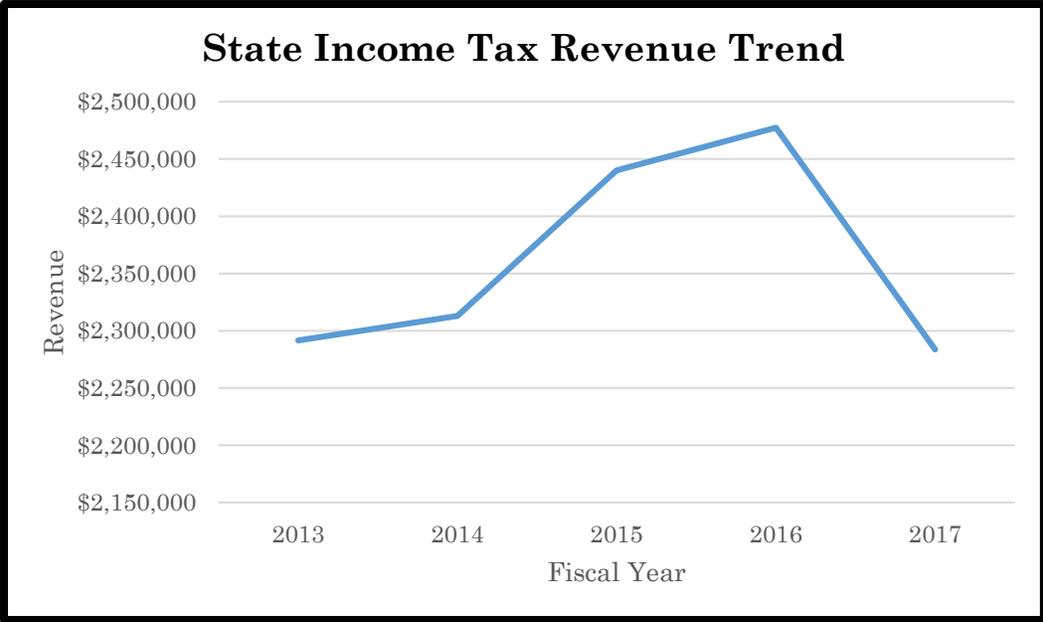
- The **top 10** sales tax producers represent **46%** of total sales tax revenue in the Village.
- The **top 5** sales tax producers represent **39%** of total sales tax revenue in the Village.
- The **top 3** sales tax producers represent **33%** of total sales tax revenue in the Village.

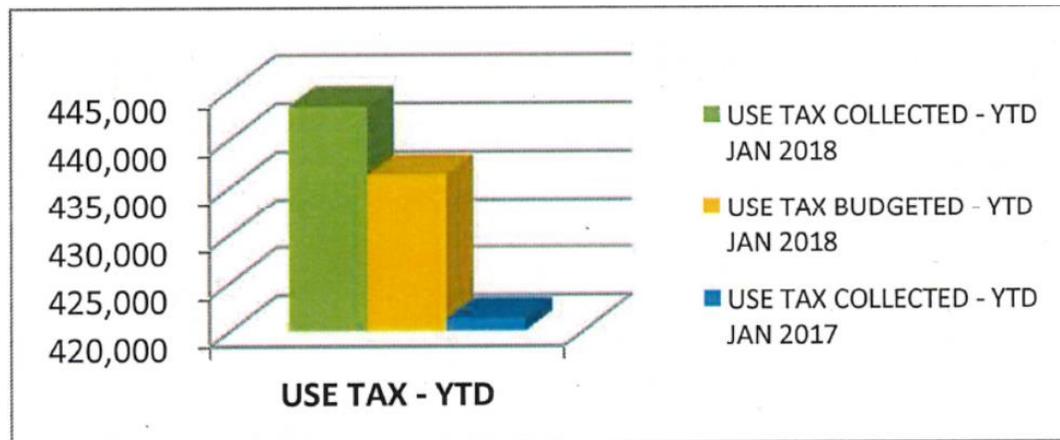
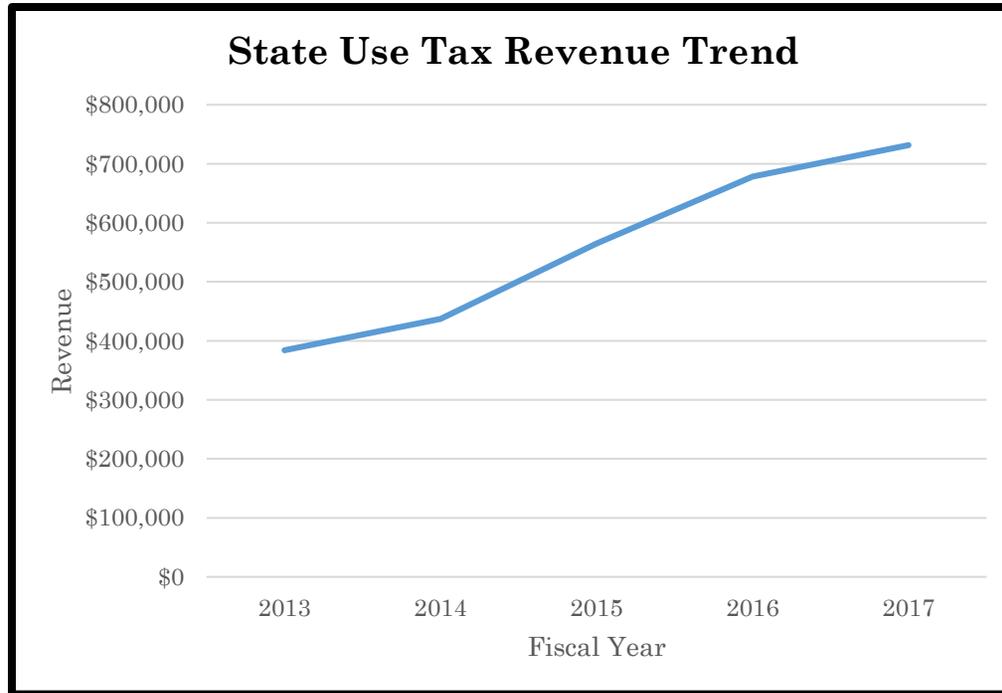
*Data Source: Illinois Department of Revenue Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Code Reporting (Sales made during January 2016 through December 2016).

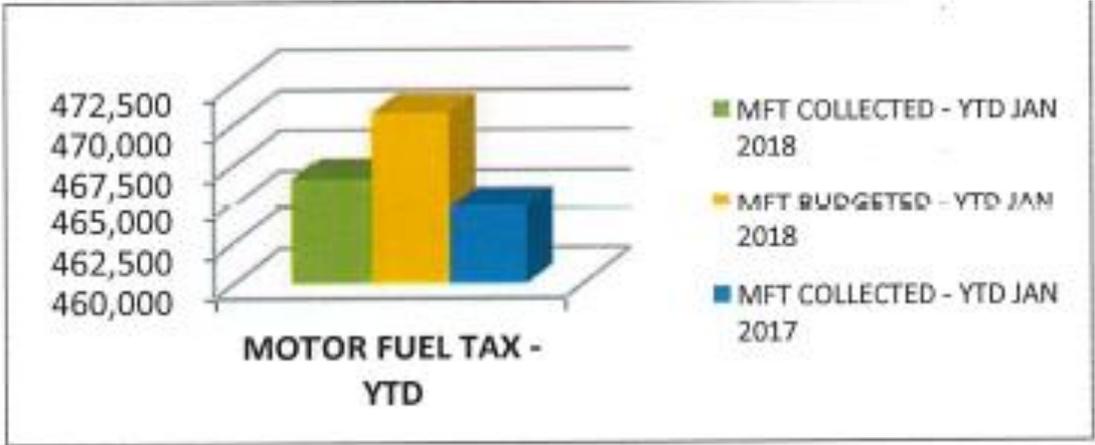
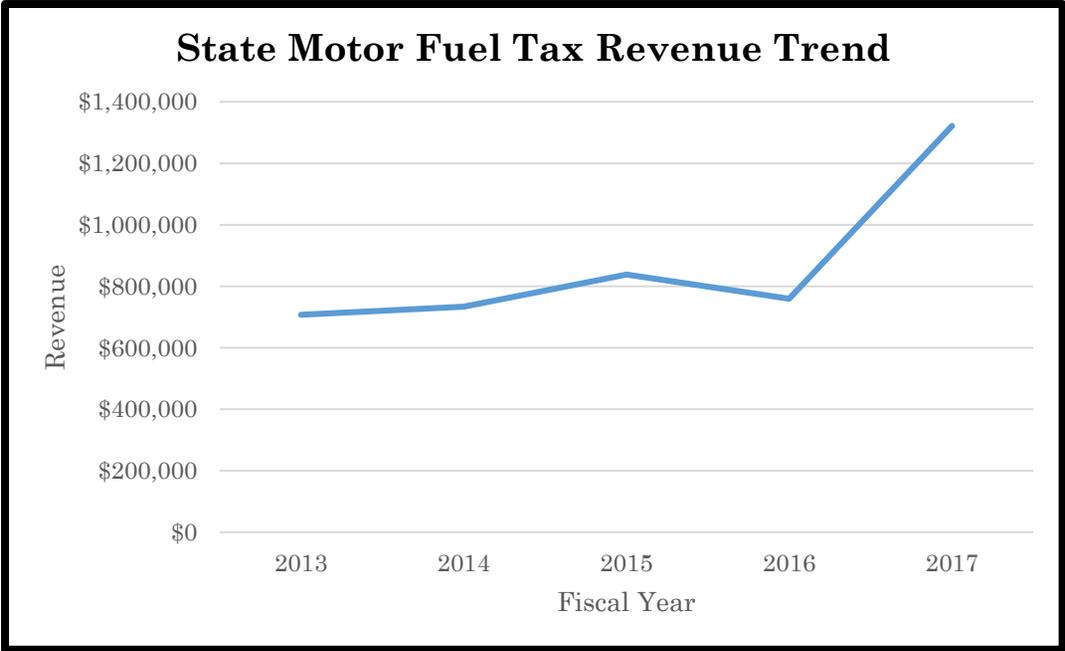
The Village of Homer Glen has never levied a property tax for any years of incorporation (2001-2018).

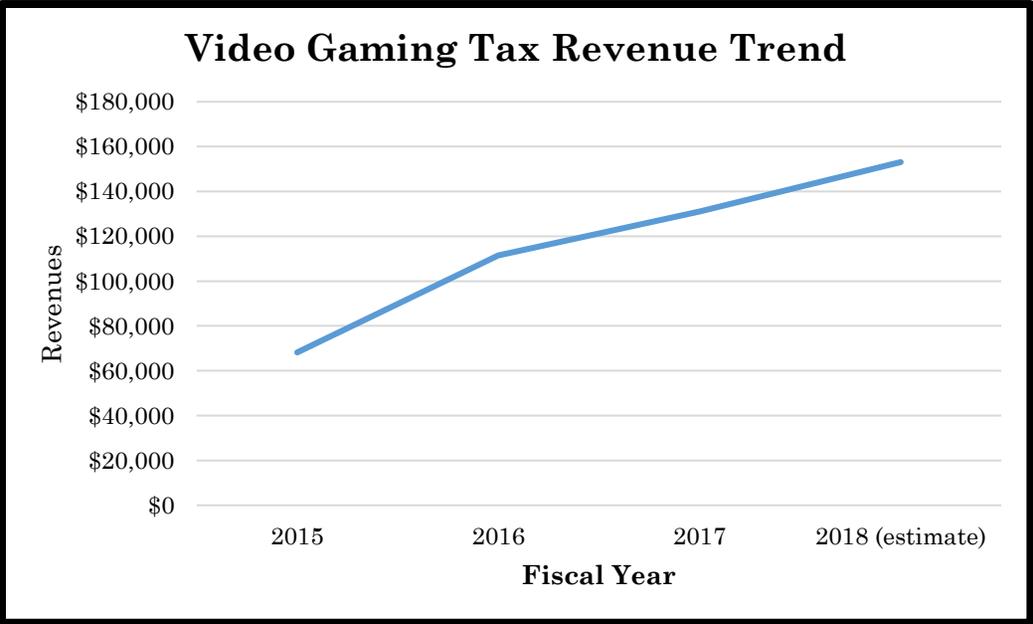












As of January 31, 2018, the Village has approximately \$14.2 million remaining from the 2012 Bond Issue. The fiscal year April 30, 2018 budget included significant work for the three (3) bond-eligible expenditures. The Village Board agreed to limit the bond funded expenditures to the following categories: (1) Water transmission line acquisition, (2) 159th Street expansion project and (3) Storm water improvement projects.

The forecasted bond fund cash balance at April 30, 2018, which assumes completion of all the budgeted FY2018 projects, is approximately \$5.5 million.

| Village of Homer Glen, IL Ratios of Outstanding Debt by Type | | | | | |
|---|------------------------------|--------------|------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Fiscal Year | General Obligation Bonds (1) | Note Payable | Total Outstanding Debt | Population (2) | Debt per Capita |
| 2017 | \$9,895,000 | \$0 | \$9,895,000 | 24,481 | \$404.19 |
| 2016 | \$11,400,000 | \$0 | \$11,400,000 | 24,395 | \$467.31 |
| 2015 | \$12,875,000 | \$0 | \$12,875,000 | 24,395 | \$527.77 |
| 2014 | \$14,325,000 | \$1,050,000 | \$15,375,000 | 24,220 | \$634.81 |
| 2013 | \$15,640,000 | \$1,150,000 | \$16,790,000 | 24,220 | \$693.23 |
| 2012 | \$0 | \$1,250,000 | \$1,250,000 | 24,200 | \$51.65 |
| 2011 | \$0 | \$1,350,000 | \$1,350,000 | 24,220 | \$55.74 |
| 2010 | \$0 | \$1,400,000 | \$1,400,000 | 25,069 | \$55.85 |

(1)- Includes issuance premium

(2)- United States Census Bureau

OPERATIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES

- **Aligning the Comprehensive Plan with market conditions and finding the balance between community values and the need for balanced housing, economic growth in retail, hospitality, office and business park developments.**
- **Continue enhancing the Zoning Code to add value and comply with industry standards/best practices**
 - **limited landscape regulations**
 - **conservation design code**
 - **signage regulations**
 - **balanced housing stock**
 - **variance code review (flag lots)**
- **Expand GIS capabilities to streamline plan reviews, intergovernmental cooperation, customer assistance and future planning.**
- **Boundary agreements with New Lenox, Orland Park, Lemont and Lockport.**

OPERATIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES

- **Nearby residential and commercial competition (Orland Park, Lockport, Lemont and New Lenox).**
- **Competitive retailers are downsizing and increasingly locating to urban or mature suburban locations.**
- **Lack of many amenities important to placemaking.**
- **Limited creativity of building materials for commercial and residential developments.**
- **Outdated building permitting software.**
- **Maintain or expand resident services i.e. private special events beyond normal business hours.**

OPERATIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES

- **Consistent enforcement of Village Code, including outdoor lighting and erosion control regulations.**
- **Establishment and planning of a pavement management program in conjunction with the Homer Township Road District.**
- **Water line expansions and maintenance to unimproved areas of the community.**
- **Sewer line expansion and maintenance to unimproved areas of the community.**
- **Drainage improvements.**
- **Document retention and digitizing for all departments.**

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Chief Building Official (FT)

Deputy Building Official
(FT)

Code
Compliance
Officer /
Inspector (FT)

Permit
Technician (PT)

Administrative
Assistant (FT)

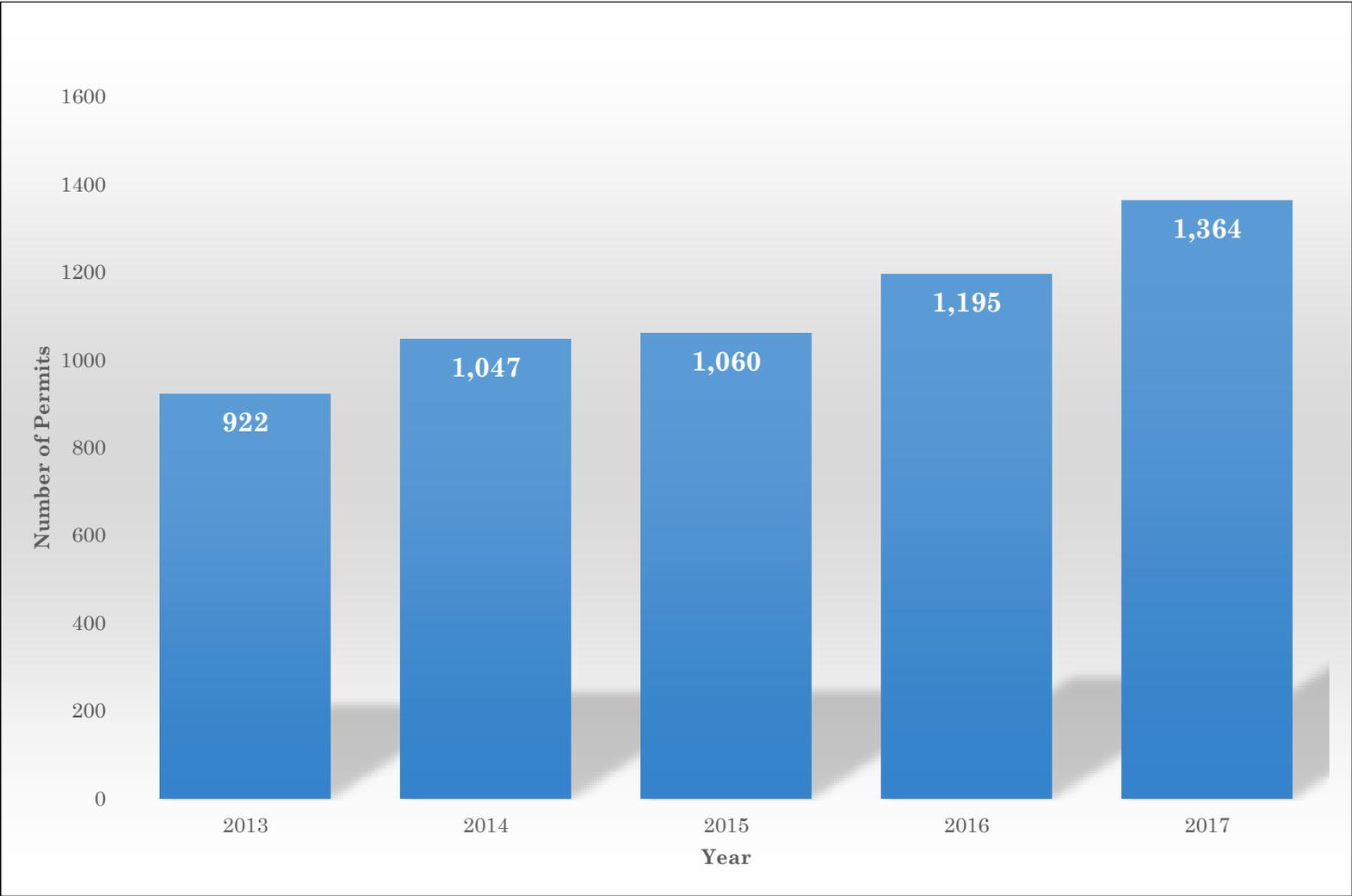
PERMITTING / CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION

The structural integrity of buildings and the safety of building occupants are paramount concerns of the Building Department. In overseeing building activity, this department issues permits for the following: additions, alterations, decks, driveways, fences, garages, patios, pools, remodeling, renovations, residential and commercial new construction, right-of-way construction, sheds, storage buildings and temporary structures. Building Department ICC-certified staff coordinate issuance of these permits in conjunction with approvals from the following divisions: Development Services, Planning and Zoning, Fire Protection Districts, Homer Township Road District and the Will County Health Department. The Department's staff members perform plan reviews and conduct inspections during and at the end of construction. Upon successful completion of certain building projects, the Department issues certificates of occupancy. The Department's staff members also oversee the registration of all contractors performing permitted work within the Village.

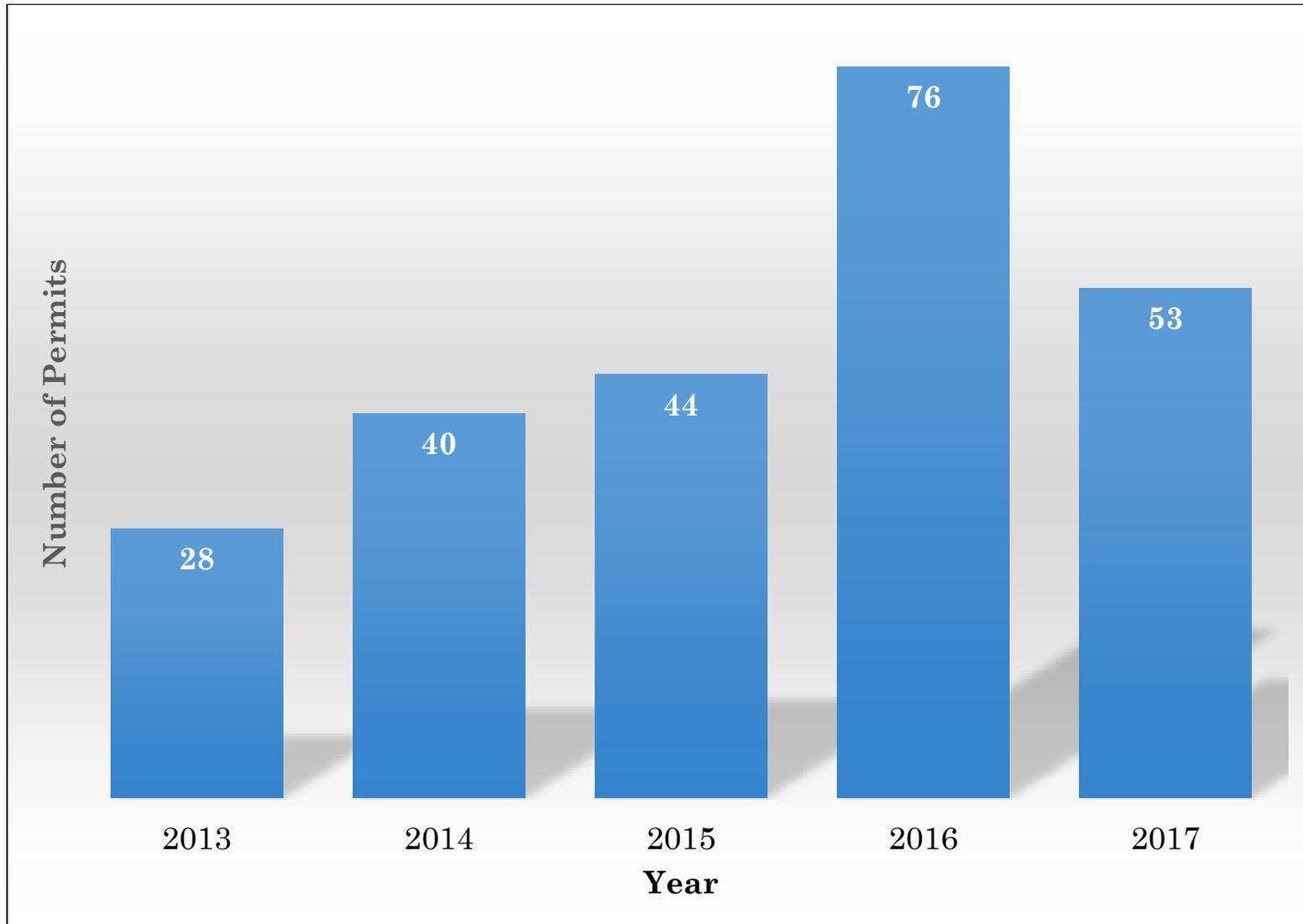
In 2017, the Village staff and Board focused efforts on improving the Village Code in a number of areas to be more user-friendly, business-friendly and competitive with residential development. The Village of Homer Glen has updated the subdivision and building codes, streamlined the planned unit development process and lowered the building impact fees by 35%.



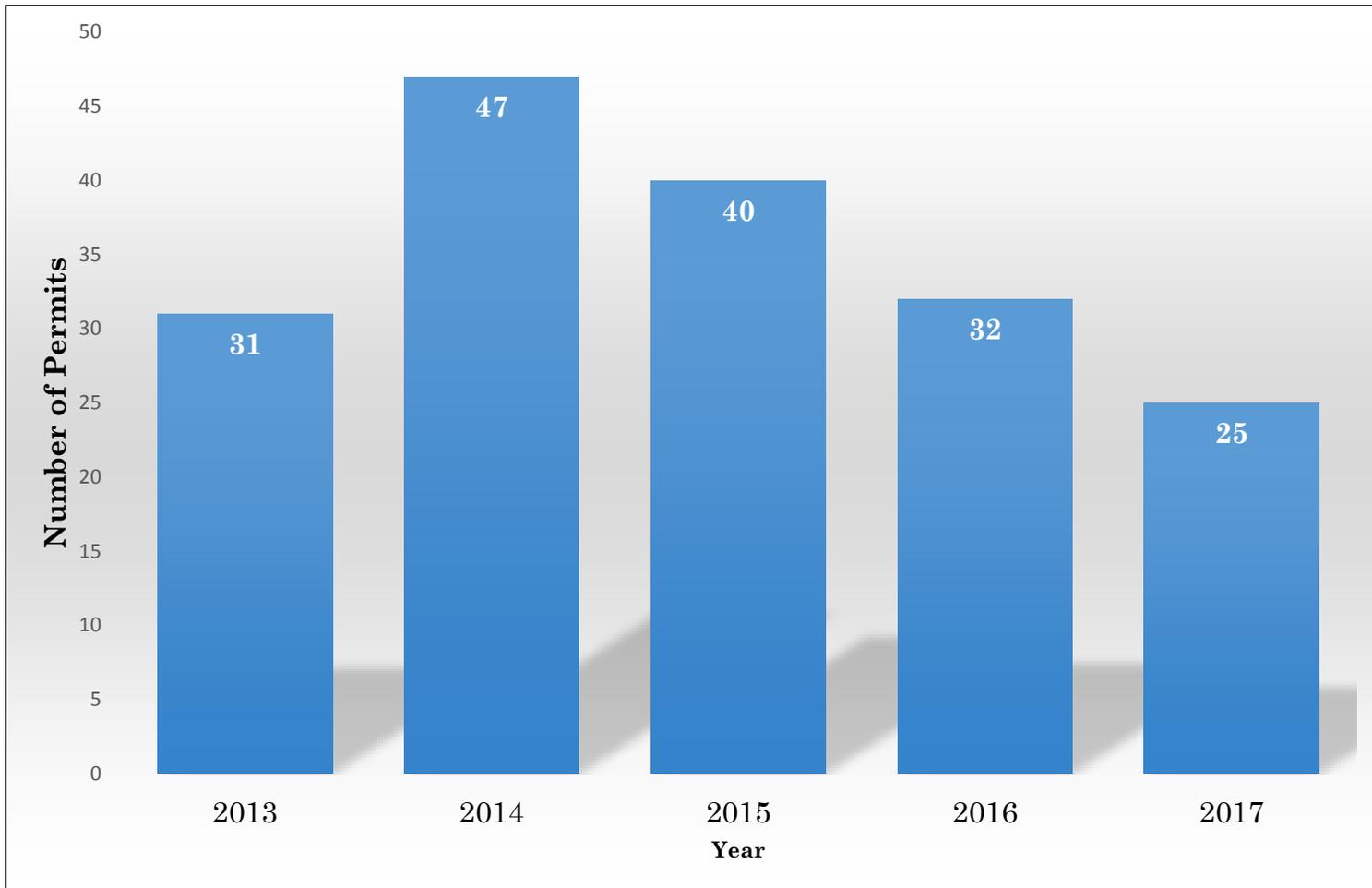
Total Building Permits 2013-2017



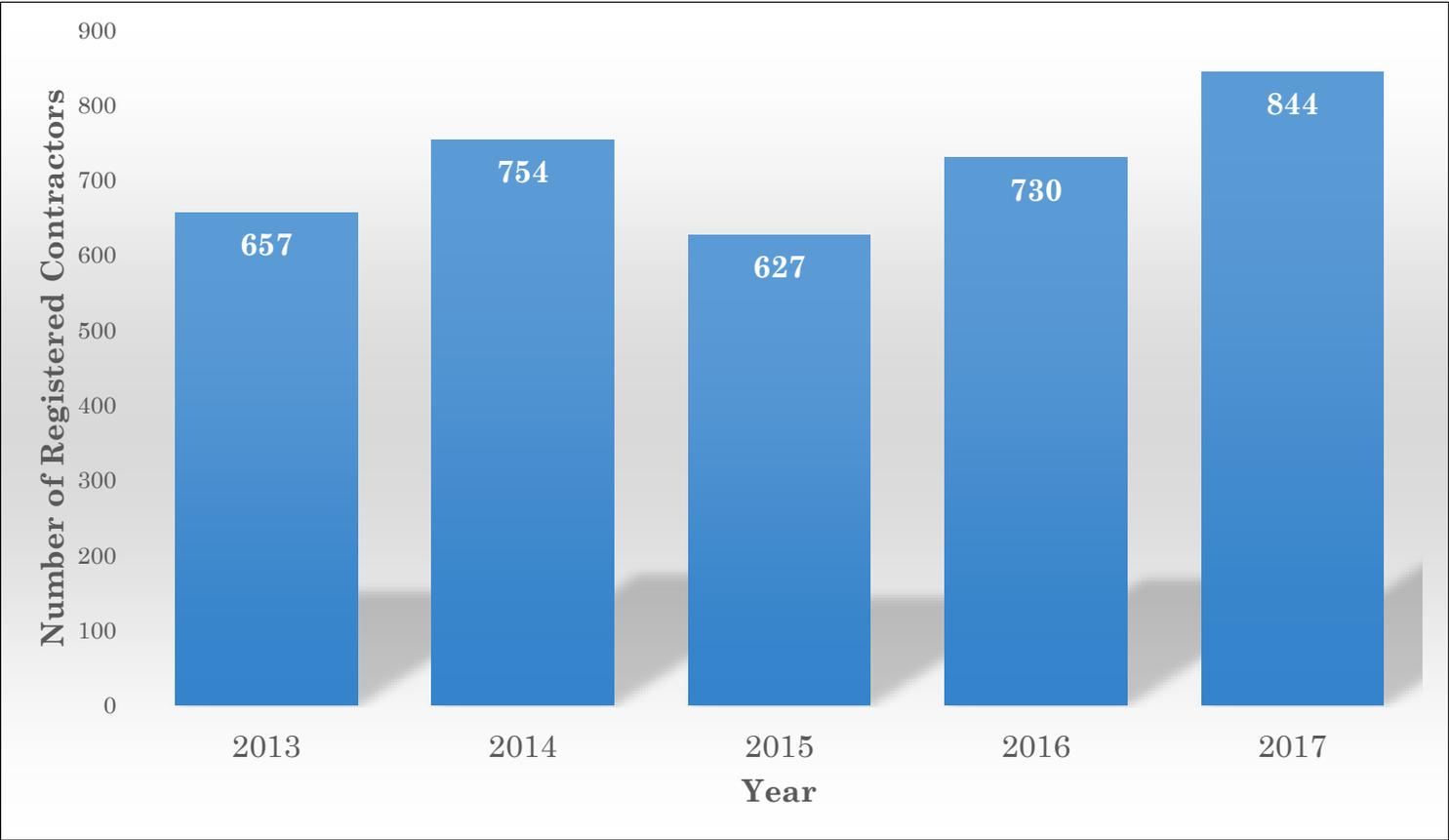
New Residential Building Permits 2013-2017



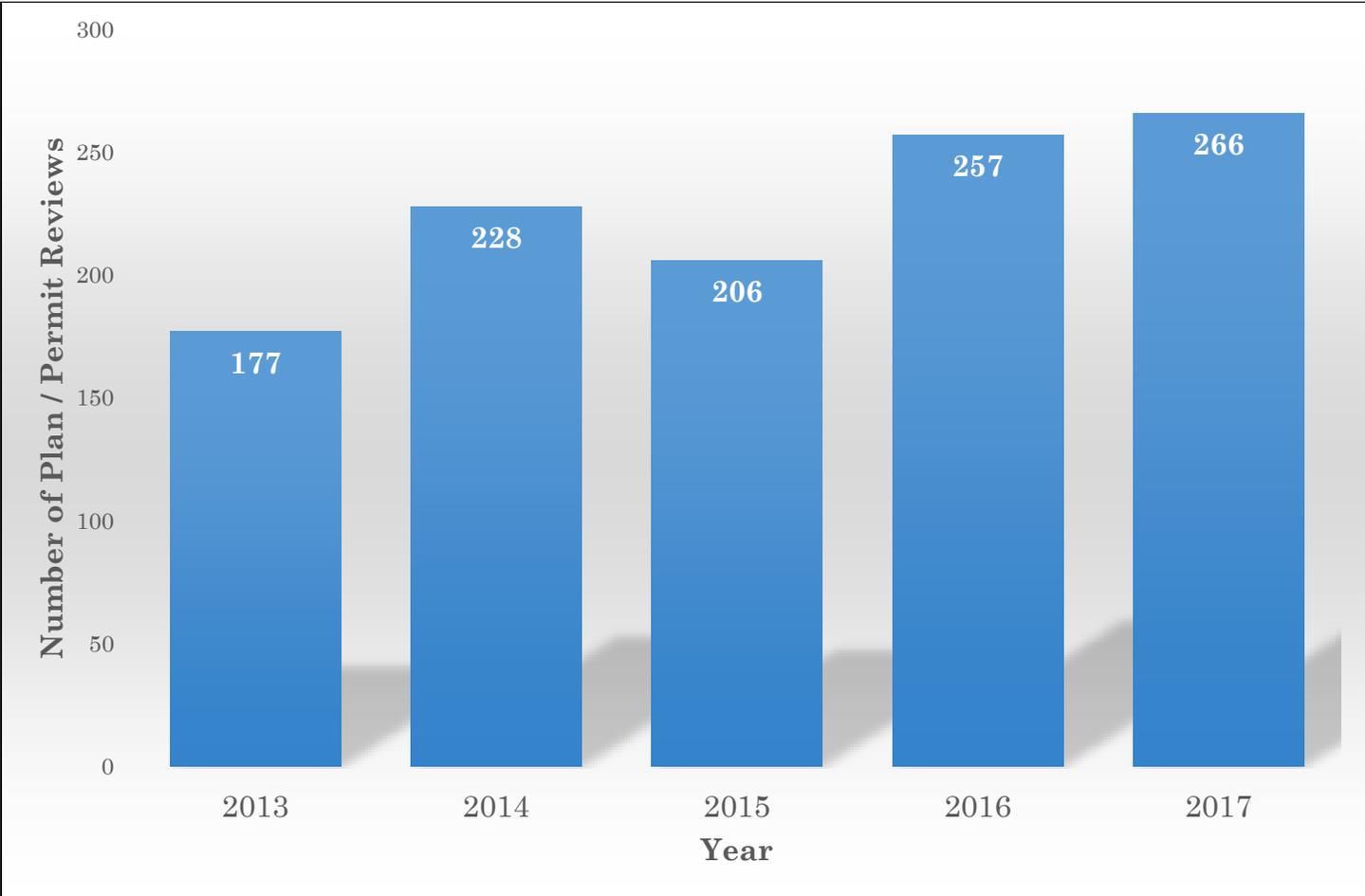
Commercial Building Permits 2013 – 2017 (Including Commercial Buildouts)



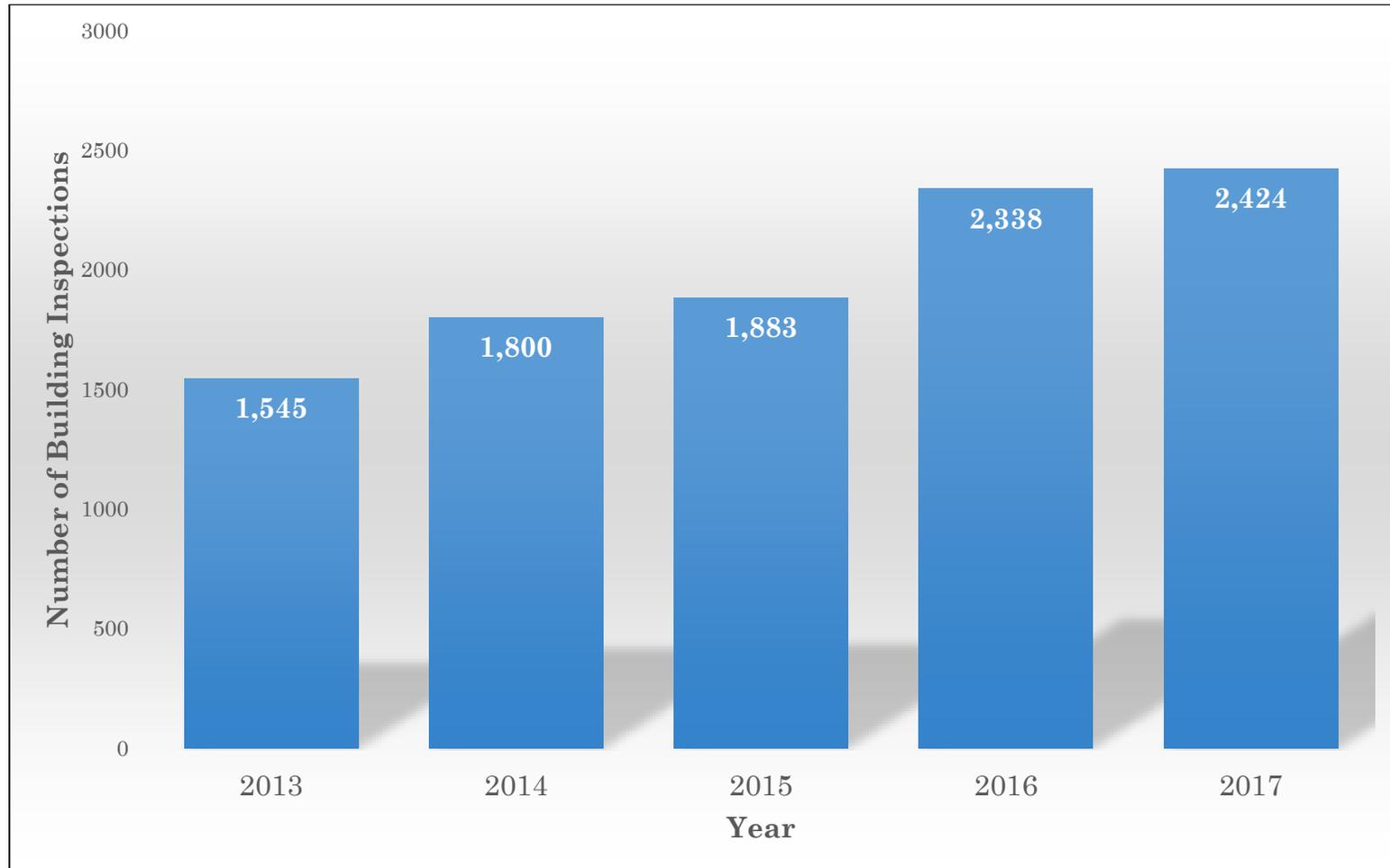
Registered Contractors 2013 – 2017



Plan / Permit Reviews 2013 - 2017



Building Inspections 2013 - 2017



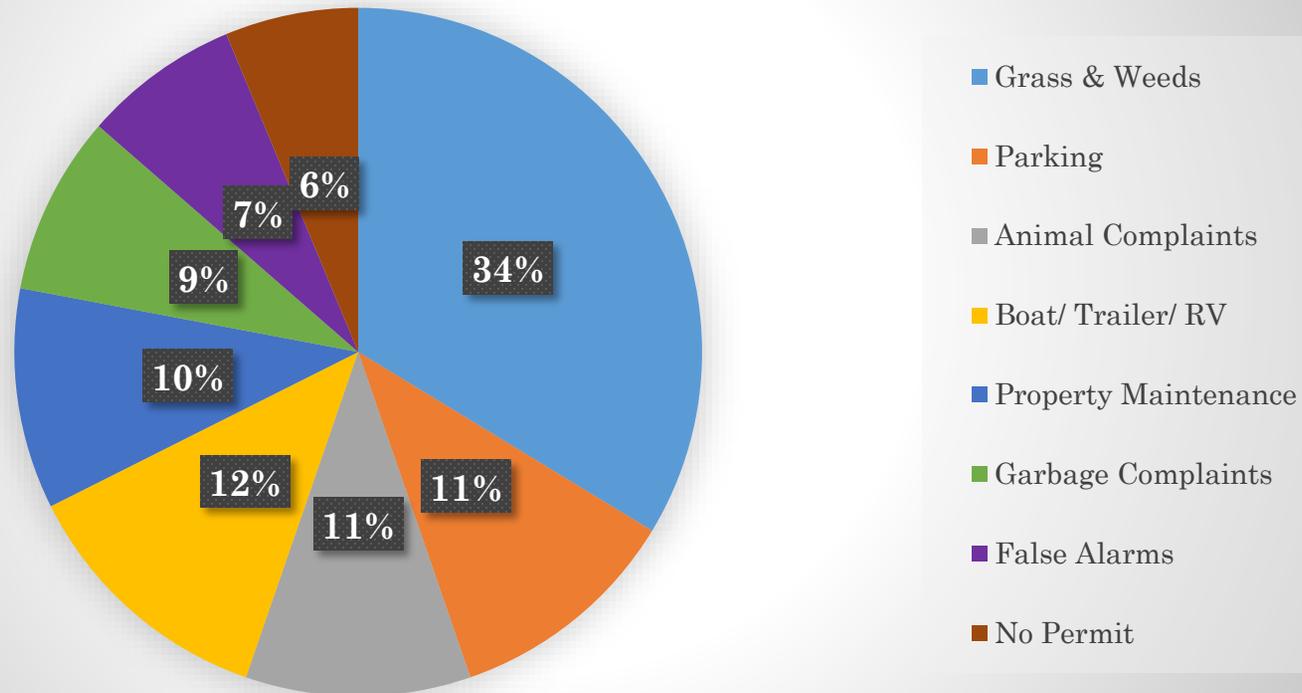
CODE ENFORCEMENT

The Building Department is also responsible for enforcing the Village of Homer Glen’s municipal codes pertaining to building, land use, signage and related issues in a fair, complete and consistent manner by methodically patrolling the streets of the Village, performing field inspections and responding to public questions and complaints. ICC-certified staff members also respond to a variety of general inquiries regarding: Building Code interpretation, issuance of new street addresses, code interpretation, public safety and health concerns, solicitation permits, leaf burning permits and special event permits.

| Number of Complaints and Violations Received and Processed by Year (2013-2017) | | | |
|---|-------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Year | Code Enforcement | Development Services | Total Complaints / Violations Received |
| 2013 | N/A | N/A | 740 |
| 2014 | 332 | 79 | 411 |
| 2015 | 102 | 107 | 209 |
| 2016 | 362 | 137 | 499 |
| 2017 | 468 | 169 | 637 |

Note: Both Code Enforcement and Development Services staff input complaints and violations into the Code Enforcement menu on the Municipal Property Manager software. Unable to separate the two (2) departments prior to 2014.

Most Common Issues Addressed from October 2016 - October 2017



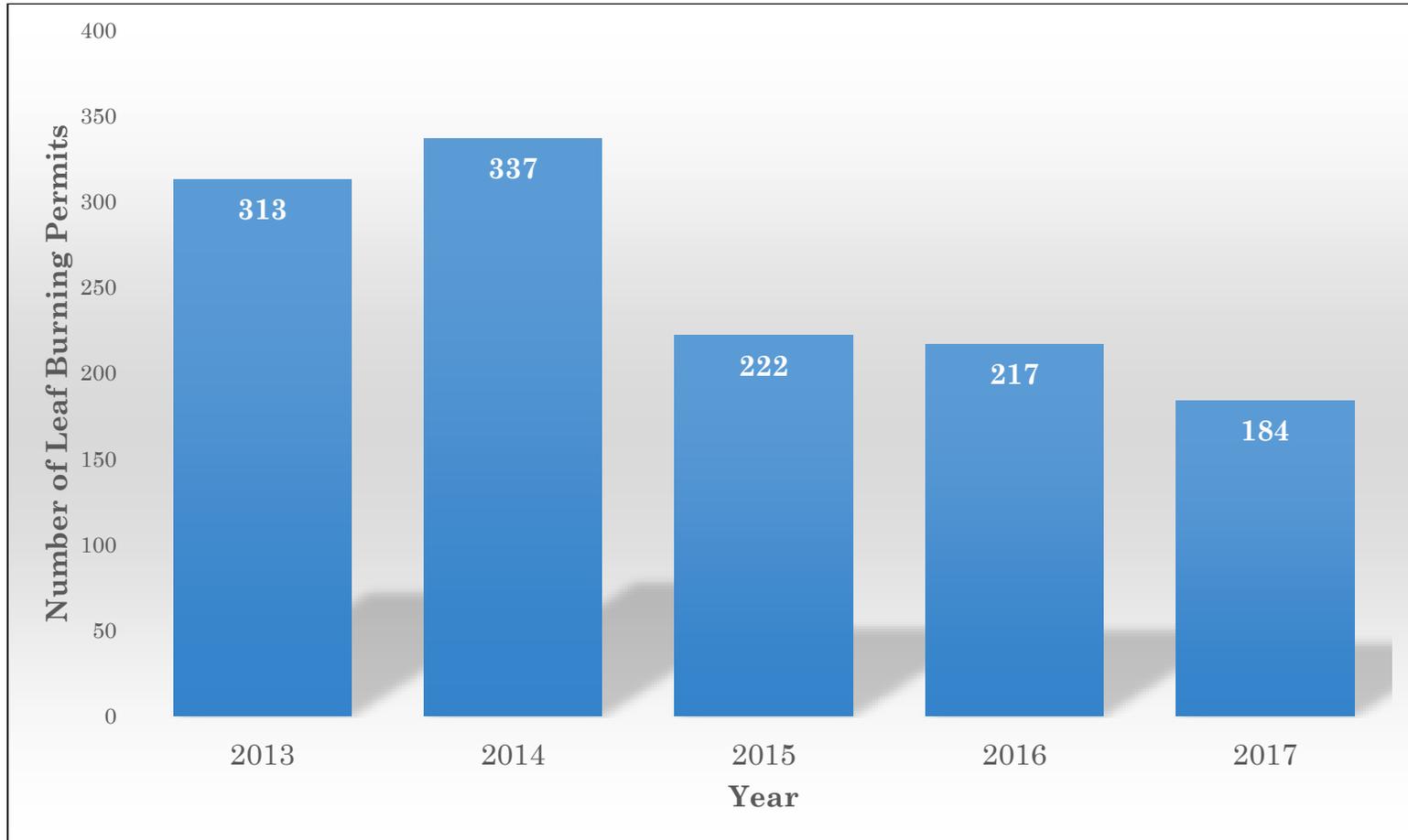
Animal complaints include dogs off leash, animal noise nuisances, and fowl in residential areas. Garbage complaints are typically items being placed out for collection too early or too late. Common parking complaints include: expired or no license plates, front yard parking, and blocking the public way.

| Code Issues from 2013 – November 2017 | | | | | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| Issue | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | Totals |
| False Alarm Notice | 416* | 110 | 0 | 3 | 31 | 560 |
| Grass & Weeds | 50 | 44 | 25 | 64 | 96 | 279 |
| No Permit | 32 | 25 | 2 | 20 | 22 | 101 |
| Animal-Related Issue | 33 | 24 | 23 | 53 | 45 | 178 |
| Property Maintenance | 12 | 4 | 1 | 35 | 35 | 87 |
| Parking | 5 | 1 | 2 | 26 | 41 | 75 |
| Boat/Trailer/ RV Parking | 7 | 1 | 14 | 36 | 34 | 92 |
| Zoning Violation | 33 | 13 | 4 | 15 | 11 | 76 |
| Site Permit Check | 13 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 20 | 41 |
| Sign Violation | 9 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 16 | 30 |
| Swimming Pools | 13 | 9 | 2 | 17 | 4 | 45 |
| Burning | 8 | 8 | 2 | 12 | 12 | 42 |
| Dumping / Garbage | 15 | 17 | 8 | 18 | 51 | 109 |
| Fence Complaint | 6 | 0 | 4 | 8 | 7 | 25 |
| Misc. Complaints (Right-of-way violations, neighbor issues, solicitation, etc.) | 6 | 8 | 5 | 33 | 54 | 106 |
| TOTAL | 658 | 268 | 97 | 344 | 479 | 1,846 |

***Note:** False Alarm Notices for 2013 were issued due to the adoption of new Village regulations. Four hundred sixteen (416) reflects *all* false alarms. Whereas in following years, only false alarm violations (four (4) or more per property) are recorded.

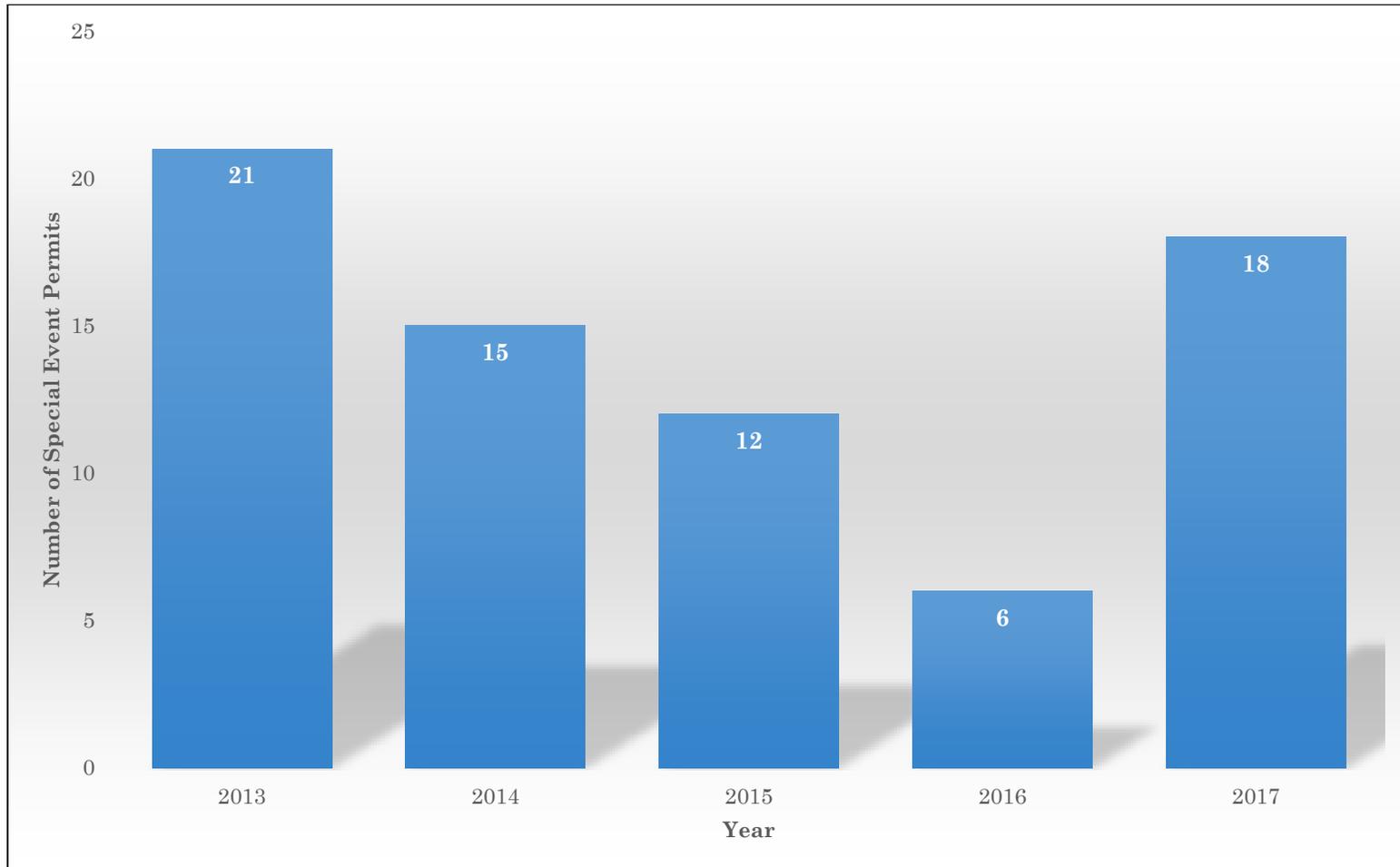
| Solicitation Permits Issued 2013-2017 | | | | |
|--|--|--|---|----------------------|
| Year | Total Solicitation Permits Issued | Solicitation Permits Issued for Commercial Purposes | Solicitation Permits Issued for Non-Commercial Purpose | Total Revenue |
| 2013 | 25 | 9 | 16 | \$1,000.00 |
| 2014 | 30 | 14 | 16 | \$2,150.00 |
| 2015 | 37 | 19 | 18 | \$1,900.00 |
| 2016 | 27 | 14 | 13 | \$1,400.00 |
| 2017 | 71 | 53 | 18 | \$5,300.00 |
| TOTALS | 190 | 109 | 81 | \$11,750.00 |

Leaf Burning Permits 2013 - 2017



The Village requires residents to obtain a Leaf Burning Permit before any open burning of leaves on residential property. Permits may be obtained after filing an application with Building Department staff.

Private Special Event Permits* 2013 - 2017



The Village requires individuals hosting a special event within the Village to obtain a Special Event Permit at least thirty (30) days in advance of the event.

ADJUDICATION

The Building Department, in conjunction with the Will County Sheriff, coordinates a monthly court date for the adjudication of violations of municipal ordinances and violations of certain provisions of the State of Illinois Motor Vehicle Code.

| Adjudication Tickets 2013 - 2017 | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| Ticket Type | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | TOTAL |
| Building / Code Compliance | 115 | 89 | 94 | 81 | 115 | 494 |
| Sheriff | 520 | 638 | 307 | 227 | 186 | 1878 |
| Tow | 61 | 43 | 28 | 60 | 60 | 252 |
| TOTAL | 696 | 770 | 429 | 368 | 361 | 2,624 |

PLANNING & ZONING DEPARTMENT

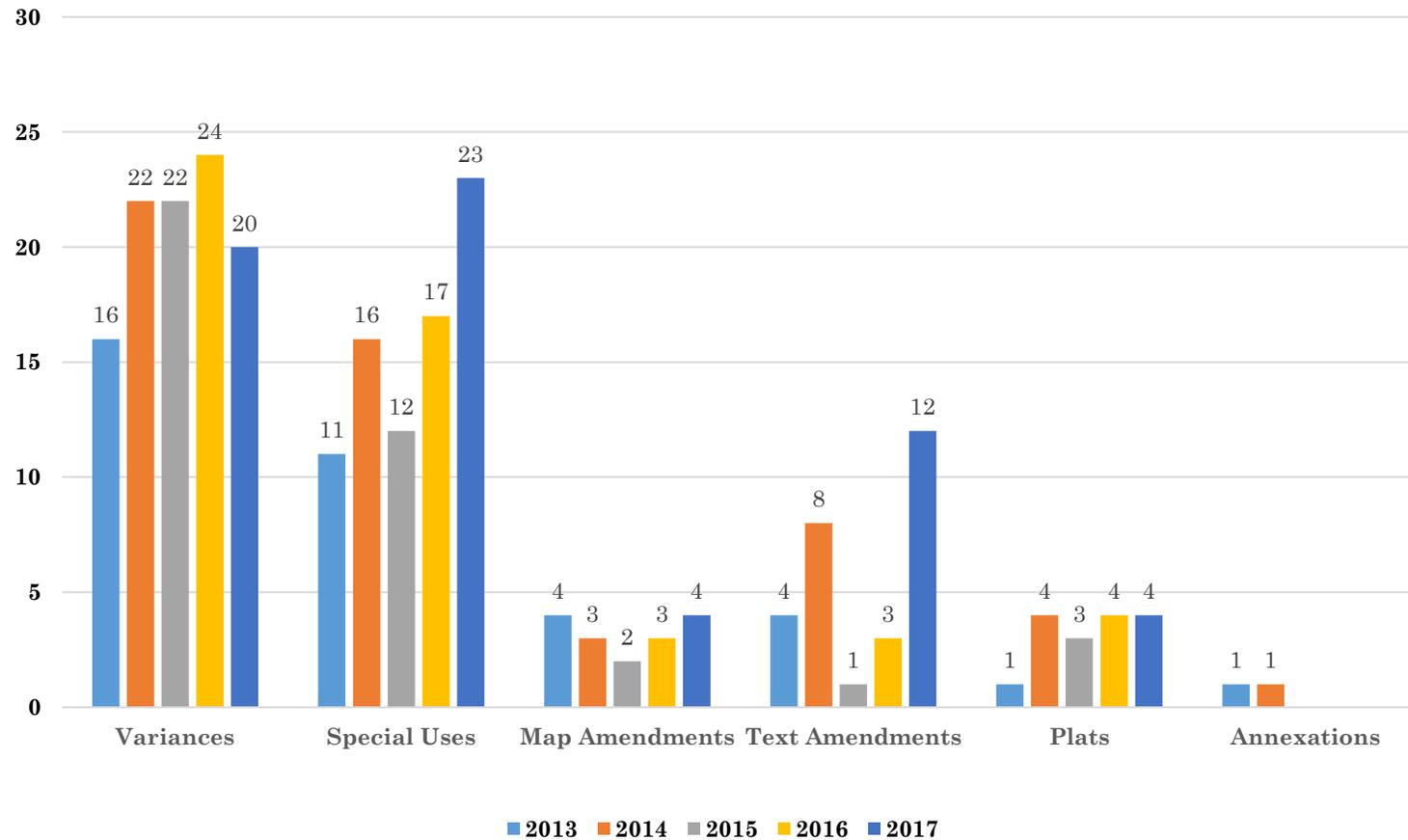
Director of
Planning & Zoning (FT)

Assistant Planner (FT)

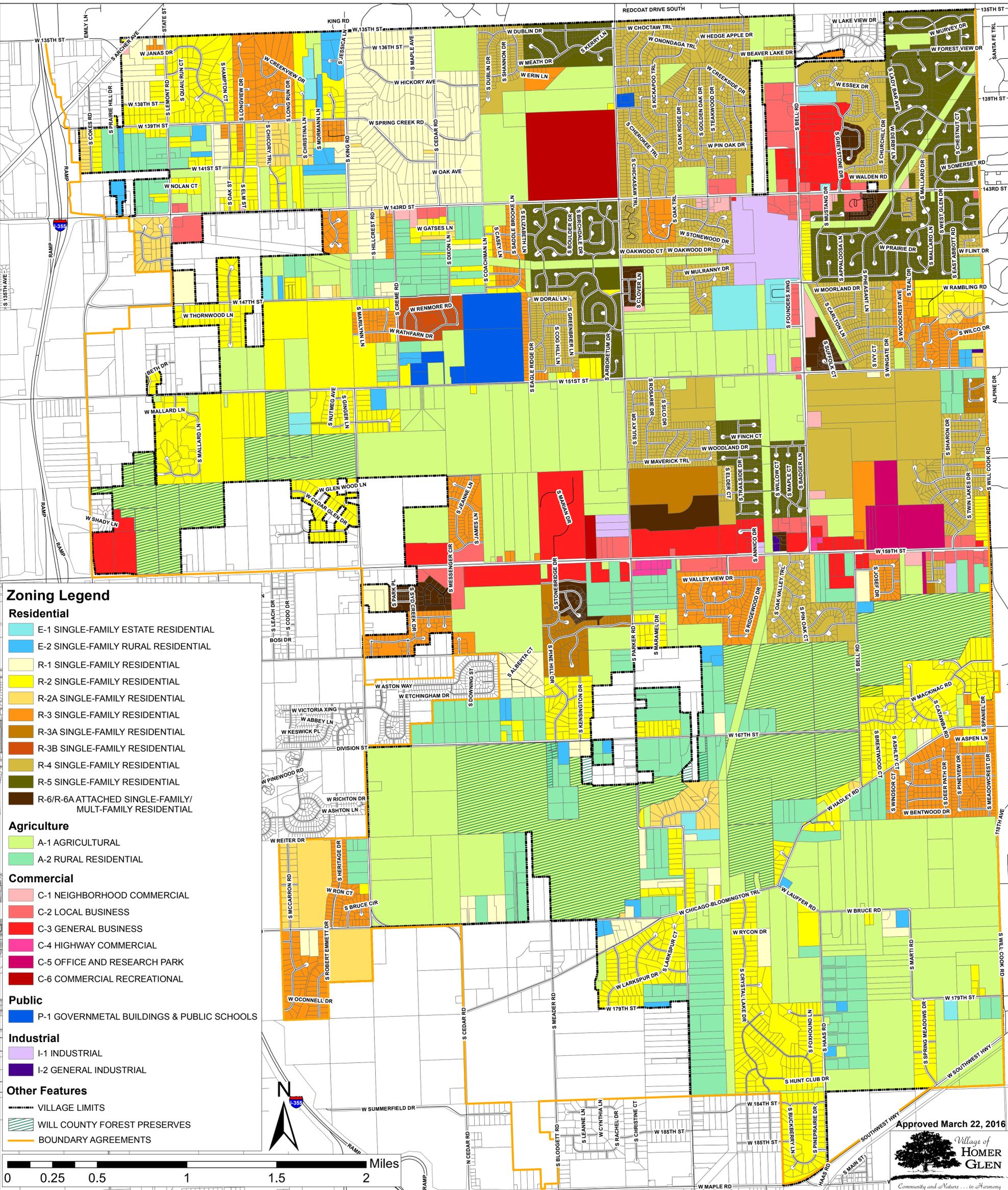
PLANNING & ZONING DEPARTMENT

The Village of Homer Glen's Planning and Zoning Department is staffed by the Director of Planning and Zoning and the Assistant Planner. The Planning and Zoning staff coordinate annexations, zoning of property for residential and commercial use and site design approval. Staff reviews all projects for conformance to local standards and the Code of the Village of Homer Glen. Assistance is provided to petitioners through the process of filing documentation for subdivisions, annexations, re-zonings and variances.

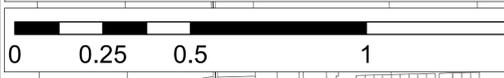
Planning / Zoning Inventory Categories 2013 -2017



2017 Village of Homer Glen Zoning Map



- Zoning Legend**
- Residential**
- E-1 SINGLE-FAMILY ESTATE RESIDENTIAL
 - E-2 SINGLE-FAMILY RURAL RESIDENTIAL
 - R-1 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL
 - R-2 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL
 - R-2A SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL
 - R-3 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL
 - R-3A SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL
 - R-3B SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL
 - R-4 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL
 - R-5 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL
 - R-6/R-6A ATTACHED SINGLE-FAMILY/ MULT-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL
- Agriculture**
- A-1 AGRICULTURAL
 - A-2 RURAL RESIDENTIAL
- Commercial**
- C-1 NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL
 - C-2 LOCAL BUSINESS
 - C-3 GENERAL BUSINESS
 - C-4 HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL
 - C-5 OFFICE AND RESEARCH PARK
 - C-6 COMMERCIAL RECREATIONAL
- Public**
- P-1 GOVERNMENTAL BUILDINGS & PUBLIC SCHOOLS
- Industrial**
- I-1 INDUSTRIAL
 - I-2 GENERAL INDUSTRIAL
- Other Features**
- VILLAGE LIMITS
 - WILL COUNTY FOREST PRESERVES
 - BOUNDARY AGREEMENTS

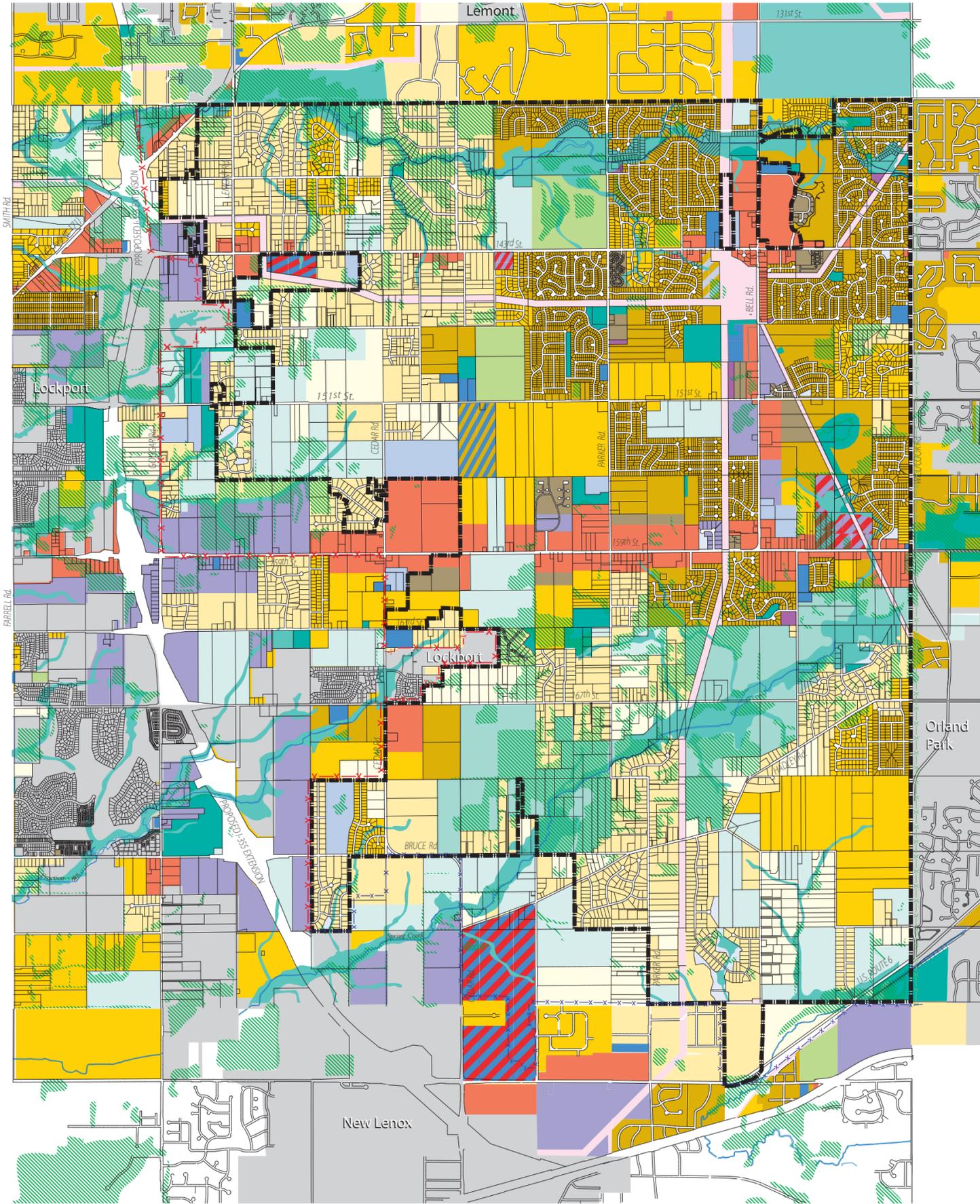




Note: See the full Comprehensive Plan for a more complete description of each land-use category.

The Land Use Plan is a general guide for growth and development within the planning jurisdiction. It is not a site development plan. While it is specific enough to guide land-use decisions, it is also flexible enough to allow for individual negotiations and the consideration of creative approaches to land development that are consistent with the policies and guidelines included in the Comprehensive Plan.

Figure 3: Land-Use Plan

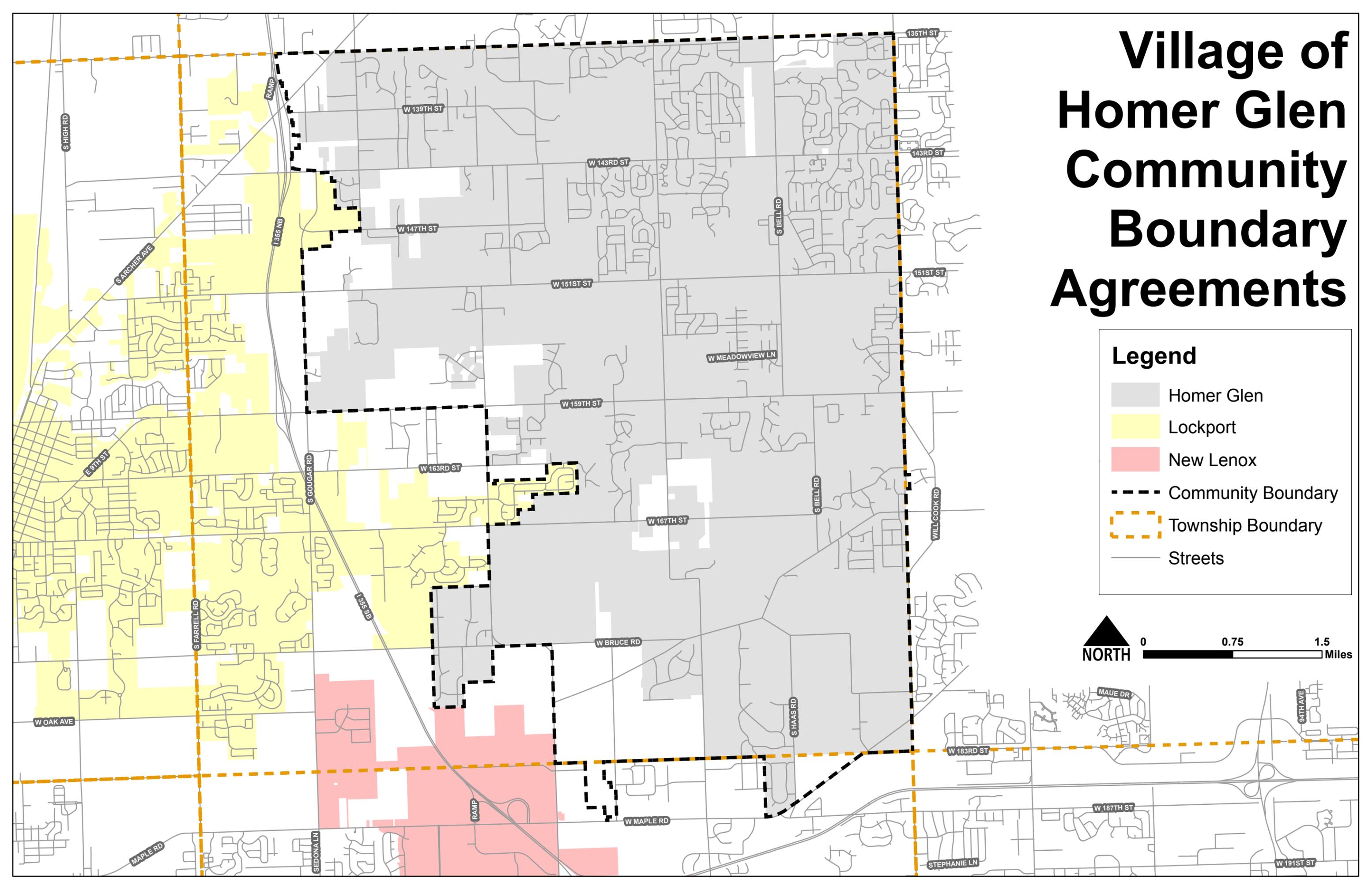


○ Areas already incorporated by adjacent communities

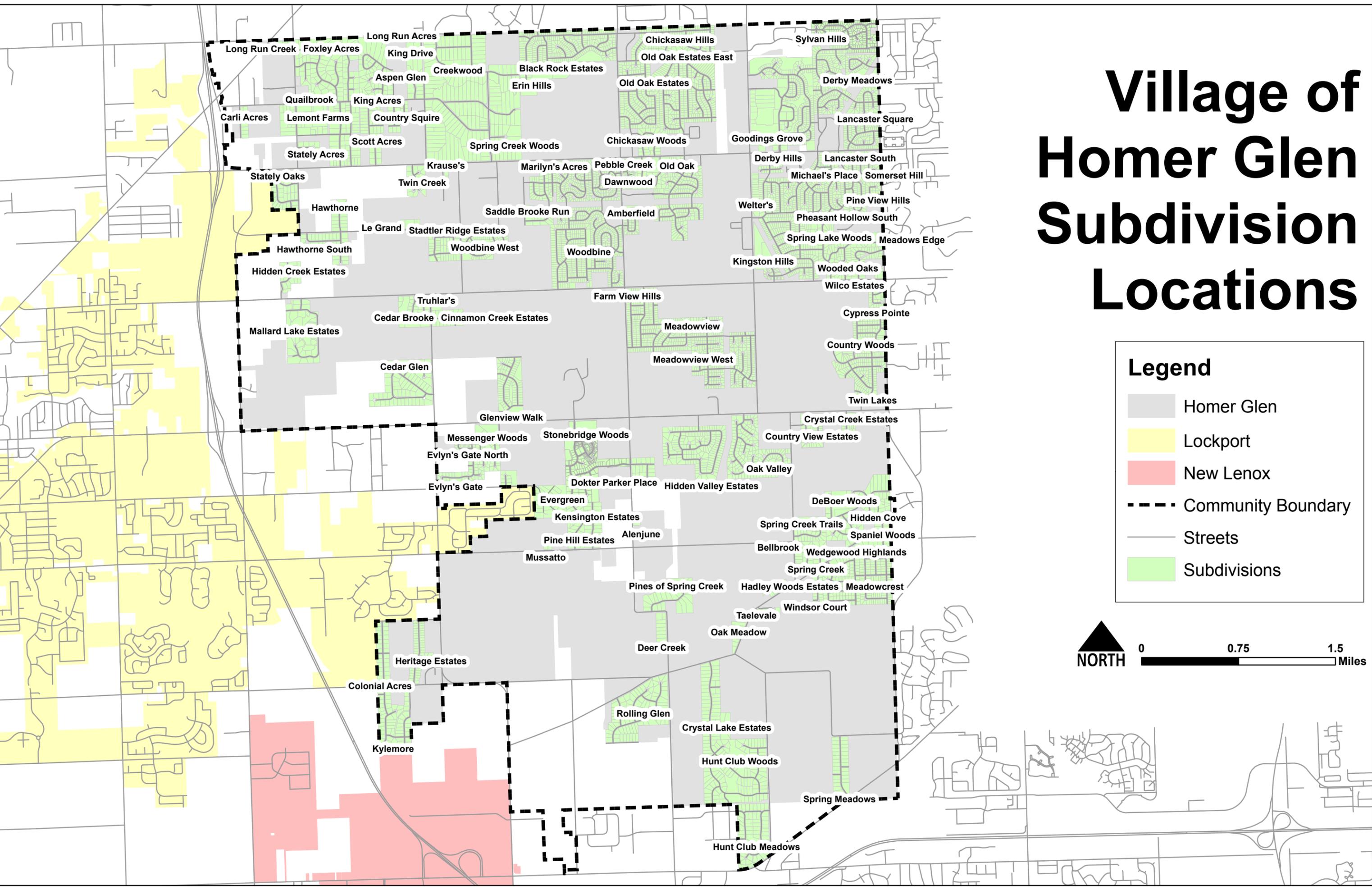
Village of Homer Glen Community Boundary Agreements

Legend

- Homer Glen
- Lockport
- New Lenox
- Community Boundary
- Township Boundary
- Streets



Village of Homer Glen Subdivision Locations



DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Development Services Director (FT)

Development Services Inspectors*
(2 PT)

Administrative Assistant (0.5 FT)

*Second Development Services Inspector began employment with Village in June 2017

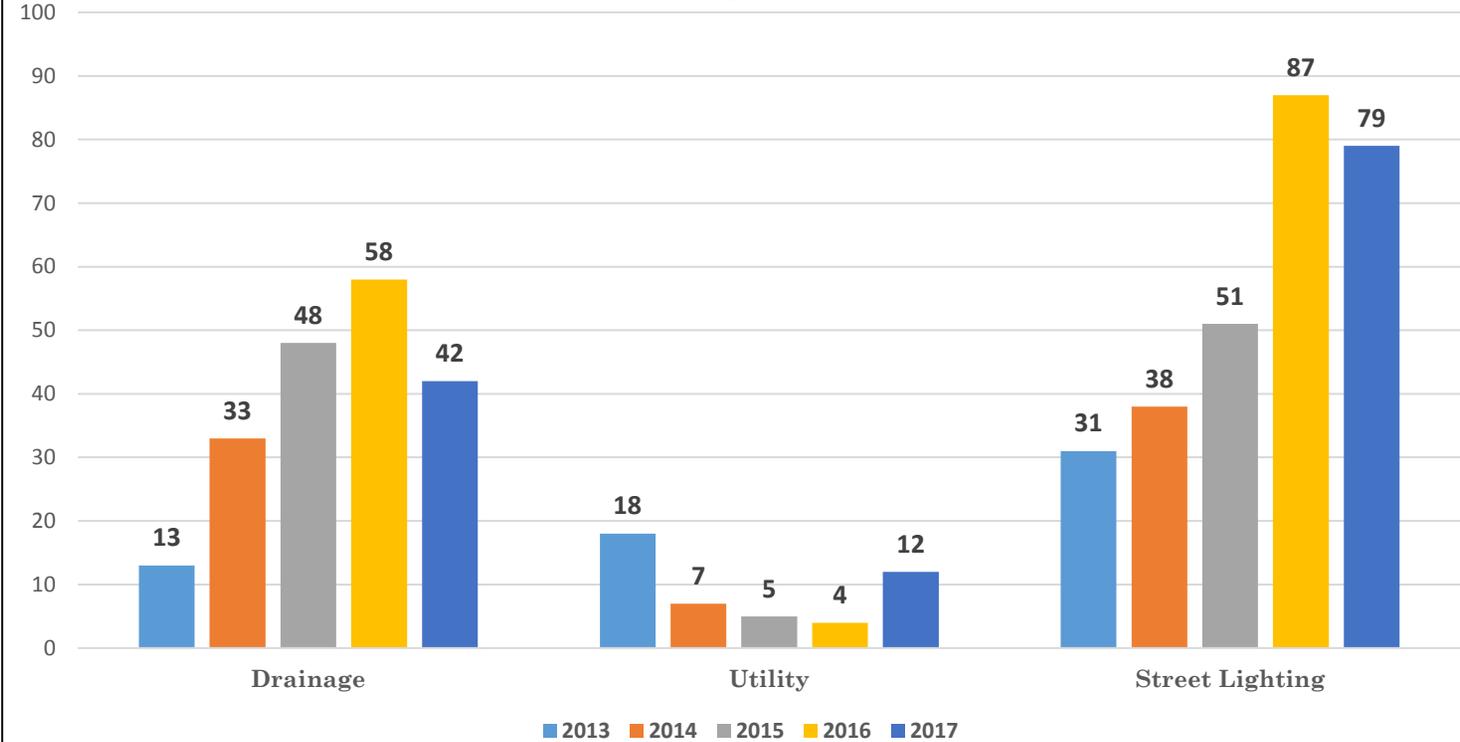
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

The Village's Development Services Department is staffed by one full-time Director, two part-time Inspectors and a part-time Administrative Assistant. This Department is responsible for reviewing and approving all plans and specifications submitted by developers, contractors, and engineers to ensure compliance with established drainage and grading requirements, conformance with codes and regulations and applicability for permits.

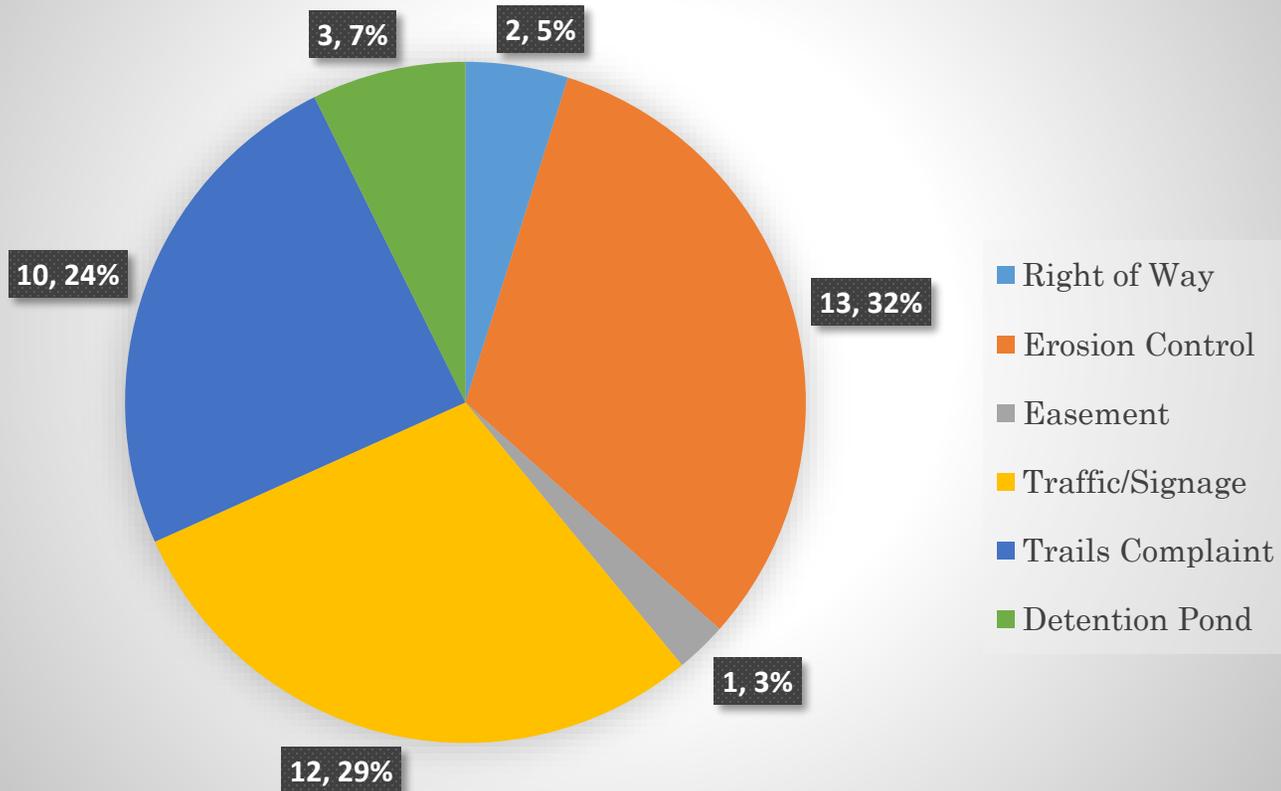
Most construction projects are managed or coordinated by the Development Services Department and include Village projects (such as drainage, bike trails, street lights, paving and water system improvements) and development projects (such as subdivisions). Projects of other agencies such as Will County and IDOT are coordinated.

The Development Services Department spends a majority of their time working on requests from the community to resolve complaints derived from drainage, utility or street lighting. Other problems stemming from flooding, detention ponds, trails, easements, erosion control and right-of-way matters are managed by this Department.

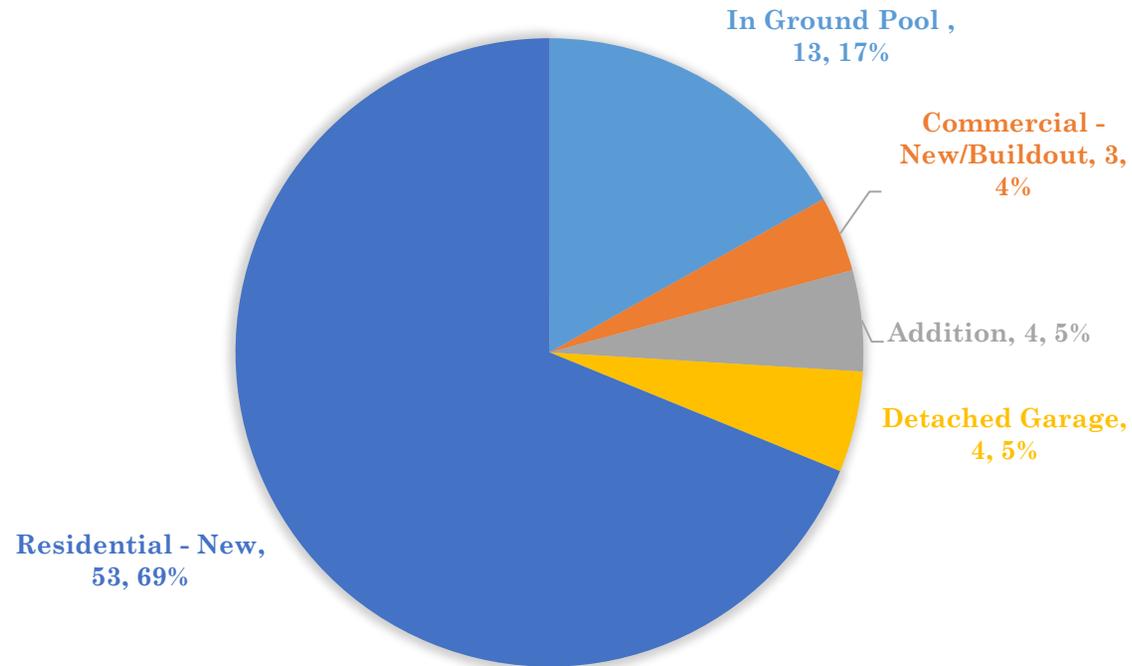
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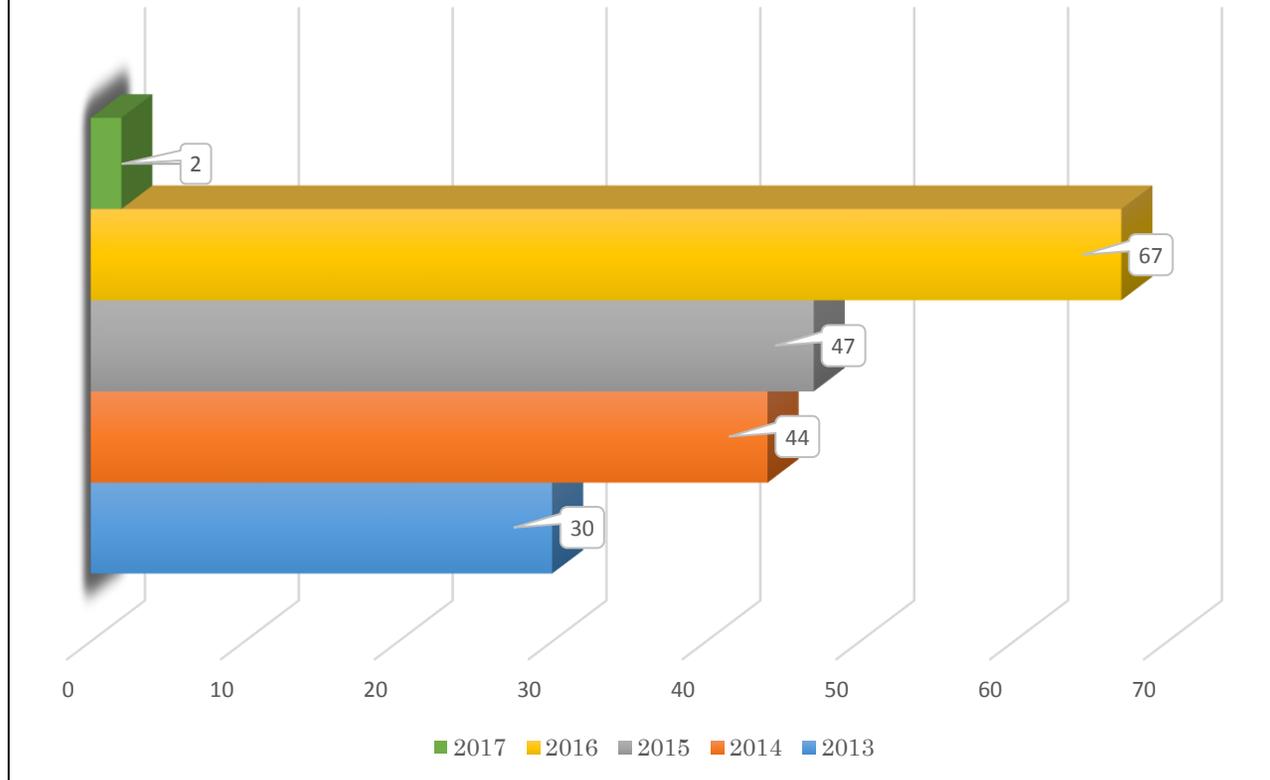
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES Miscellaneous Requests 2013-2017



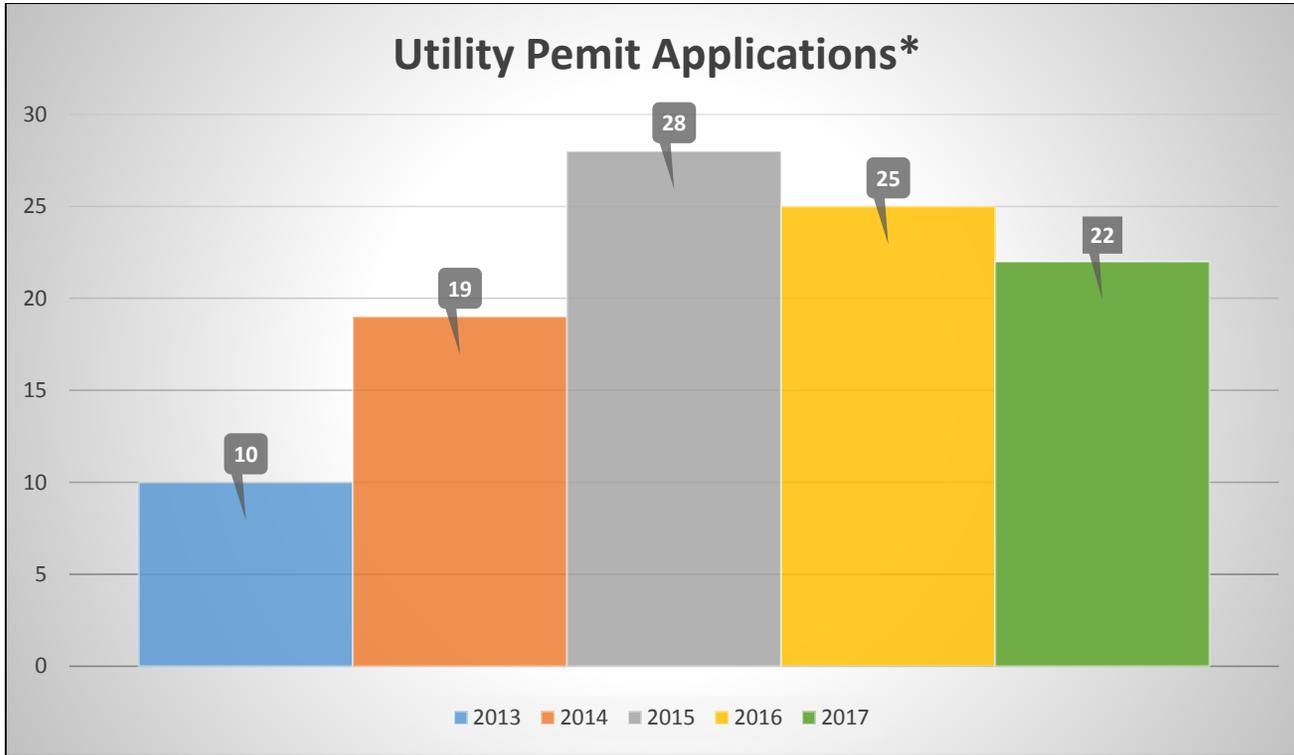
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES 2017 PLAN REVIEWS



DEVELOPMENT SERVICES FINAL GRADE SURVEY*

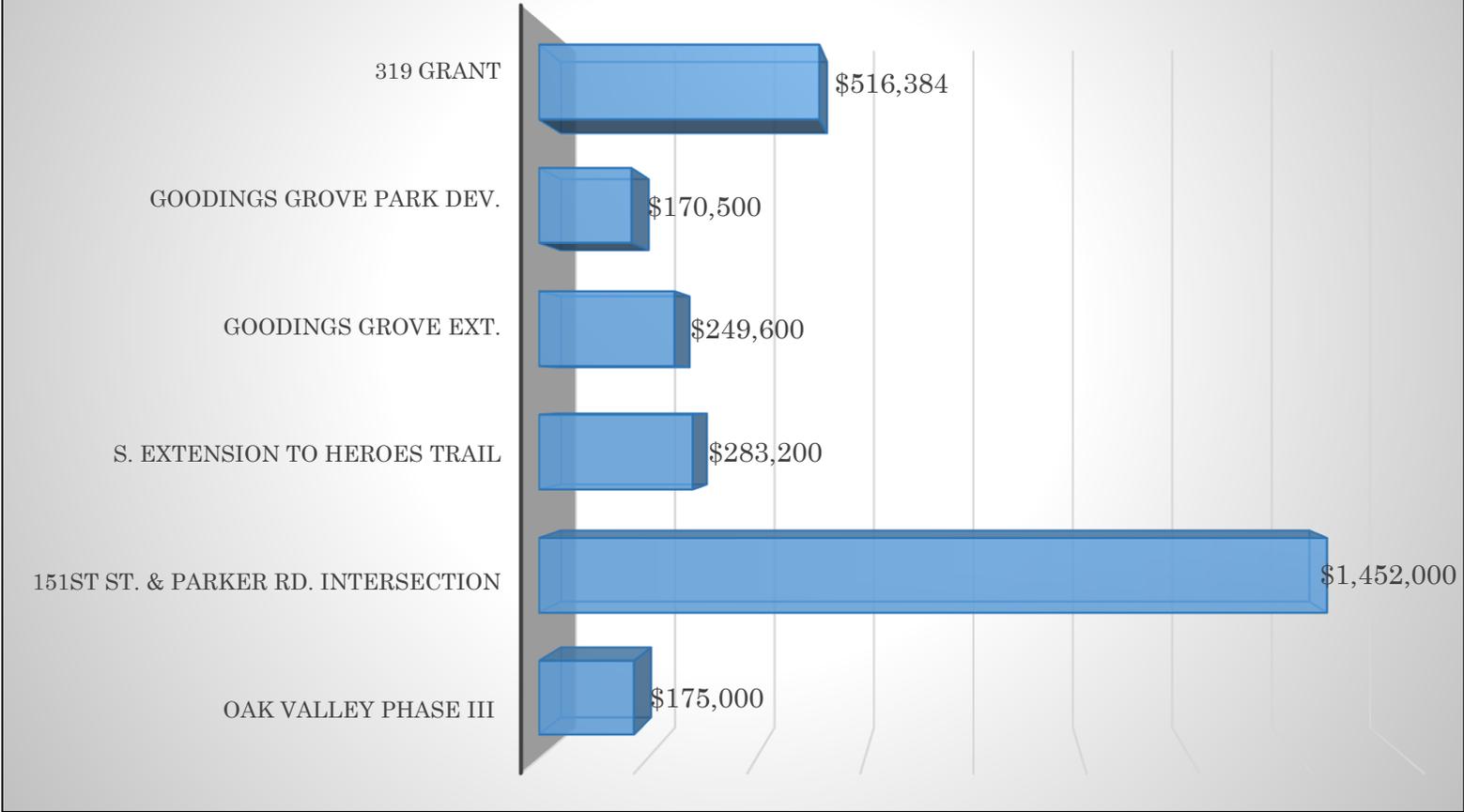


*The year shown corresponds to the permit year, not necessarily the year the final grade survey was reviewed by staff. Final grade surveys are submitted at the end of the permit processes.



Note* From pipeline companies, AT&T, Comcast, ComEd, Nicor Gas and Foreign Utility Companies

Grants Received for Village Projects 2012-2017*

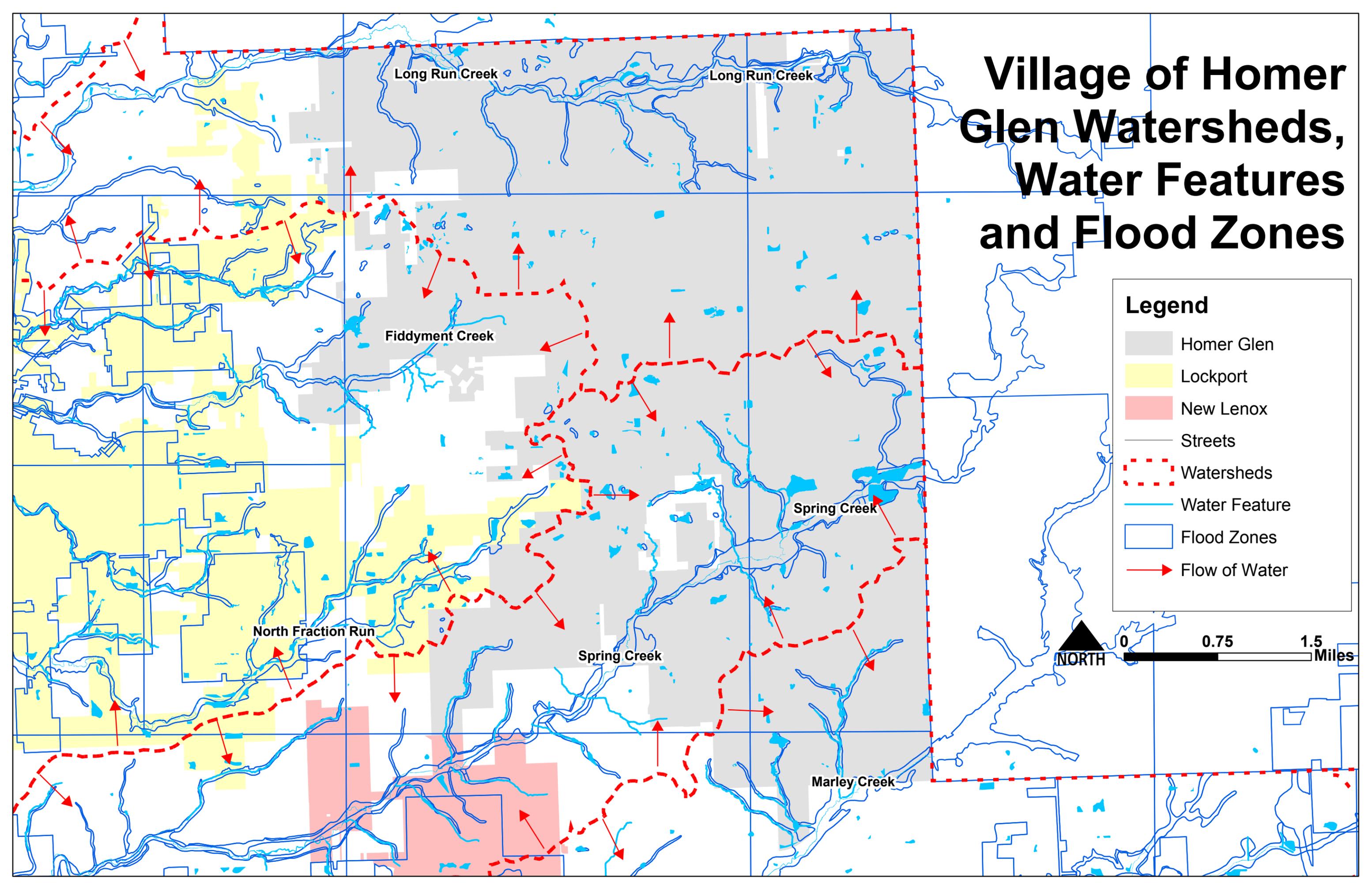


*Total amount received from grants during this time period = \$2,846,684

Village of Homer Glen Watersheds, Water Features and Flood Zones

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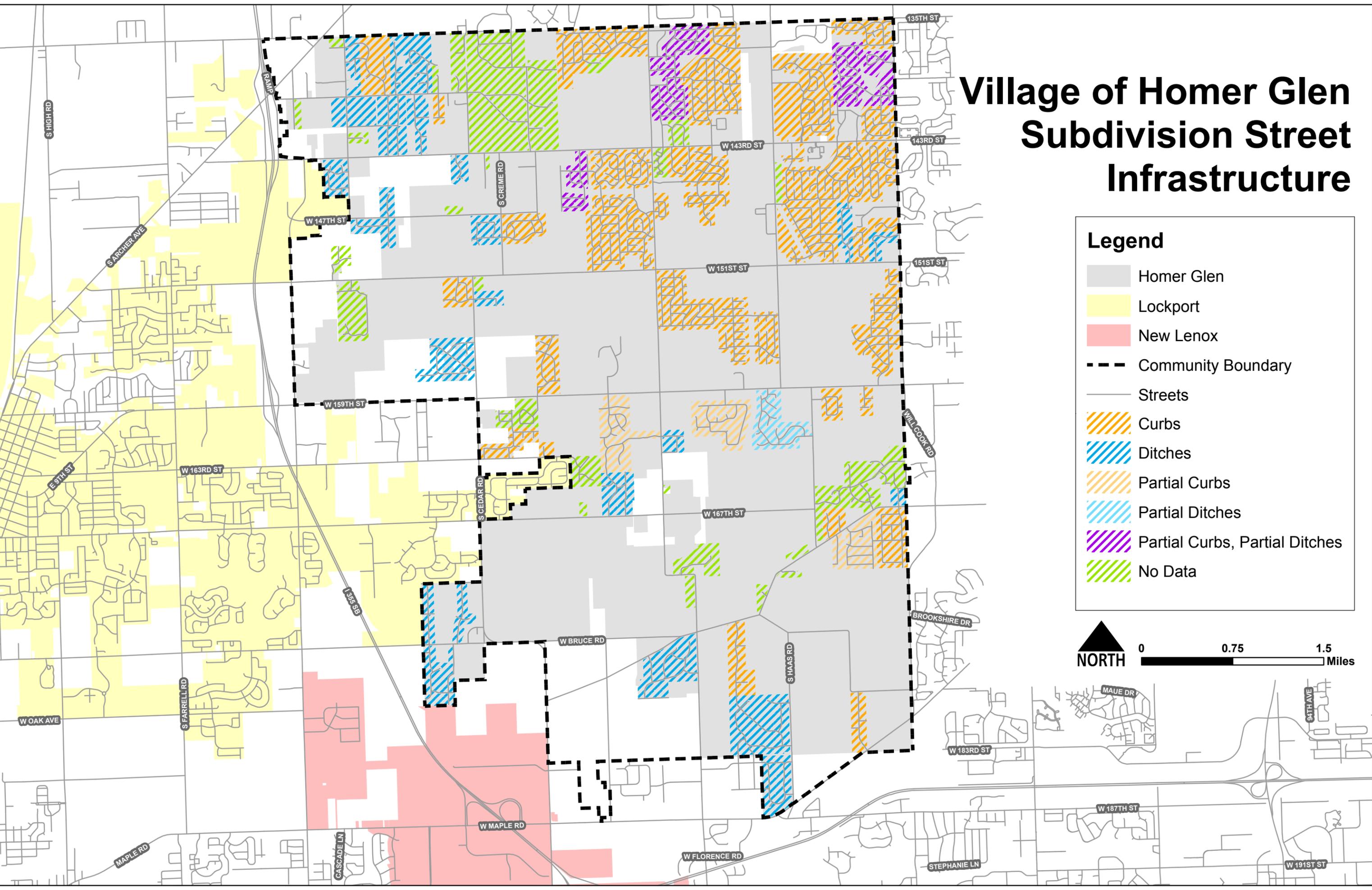
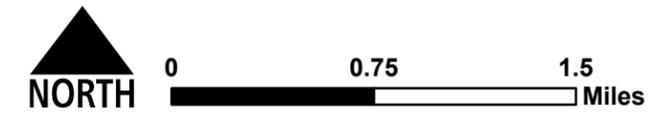
- Homer Glen
- Lockport
- New Lenox
- Streets
- Watersheds
- Water Feature
- Flood Zones
- Flow of Water



Village of Homer Glen Subdivision Street Infrastructure

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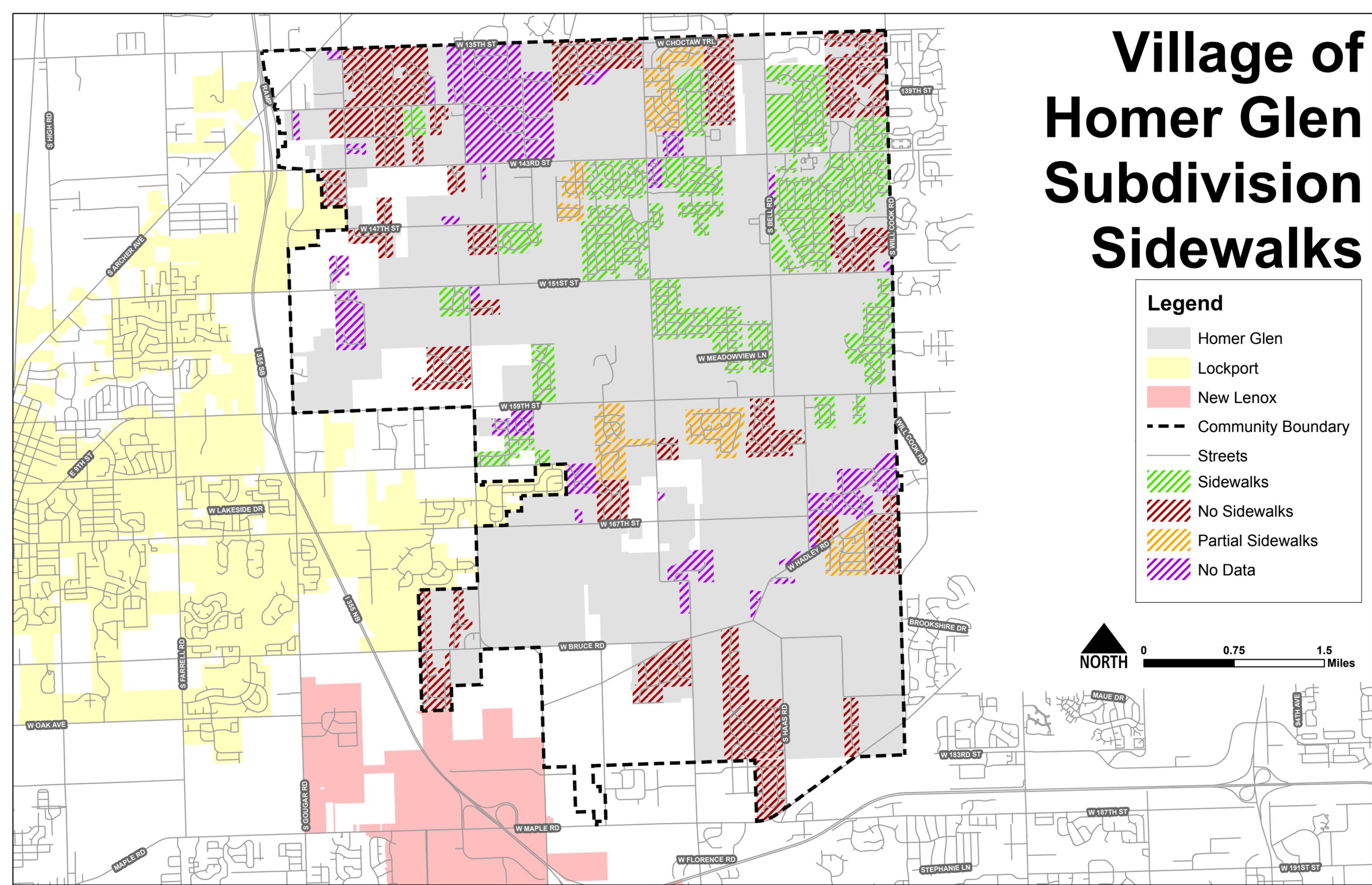
- Homer Glen
- Lockport
- New Lenox
- Community Boundary
- Streets
- Curbs
- Ditches
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- No Data



Village of Homer Glen Subdivision Sidewalks

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- Homer Glen
- Lockport
- New Lenox
- Community Boundary
- Streets
- Sidewalks
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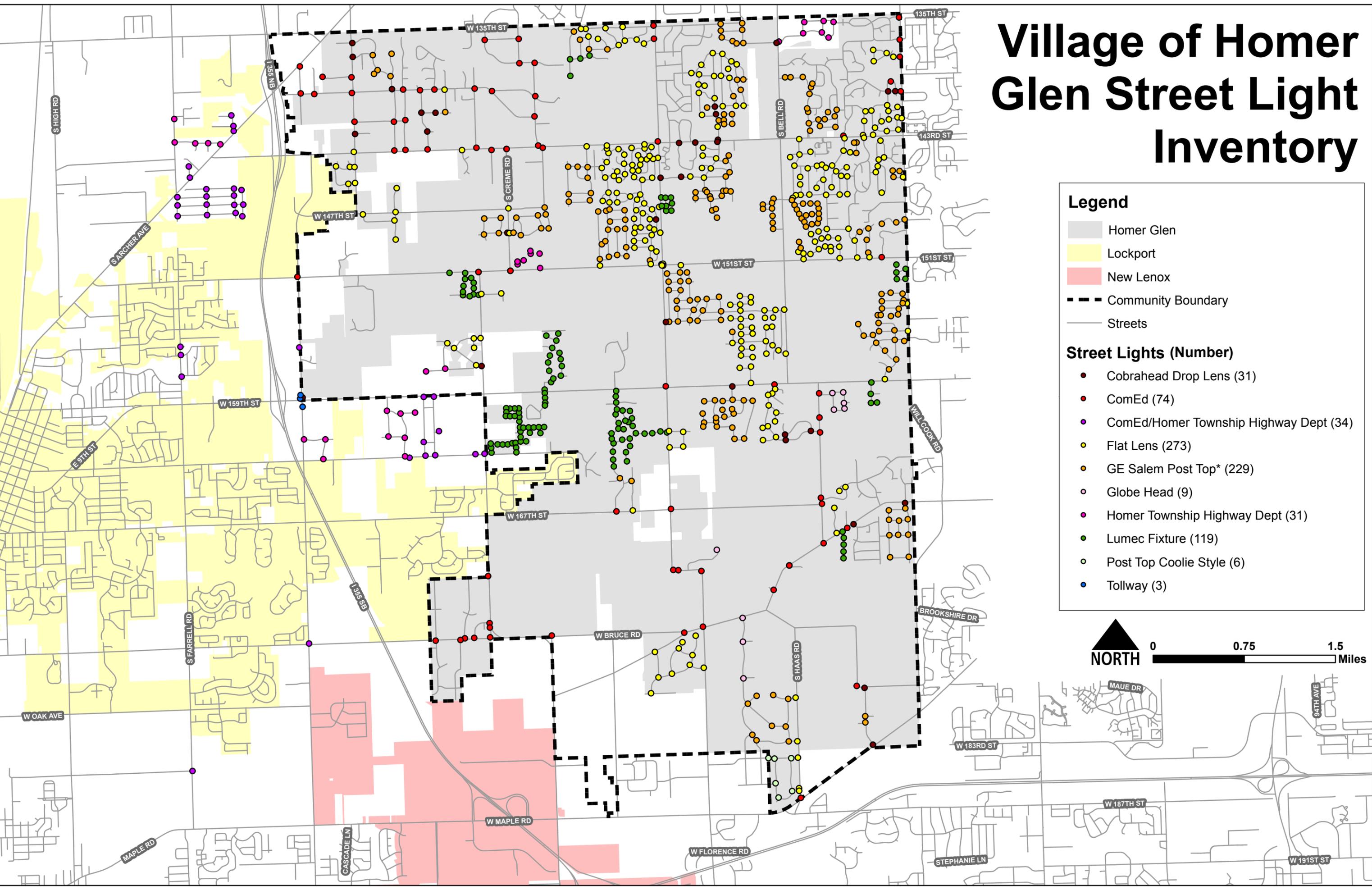
Village of Homer Glen Street Light Inventory

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- Homer Glen
- Lockport
- New Lenox
- Community Boundary
- Streets

Street Lights (Number)

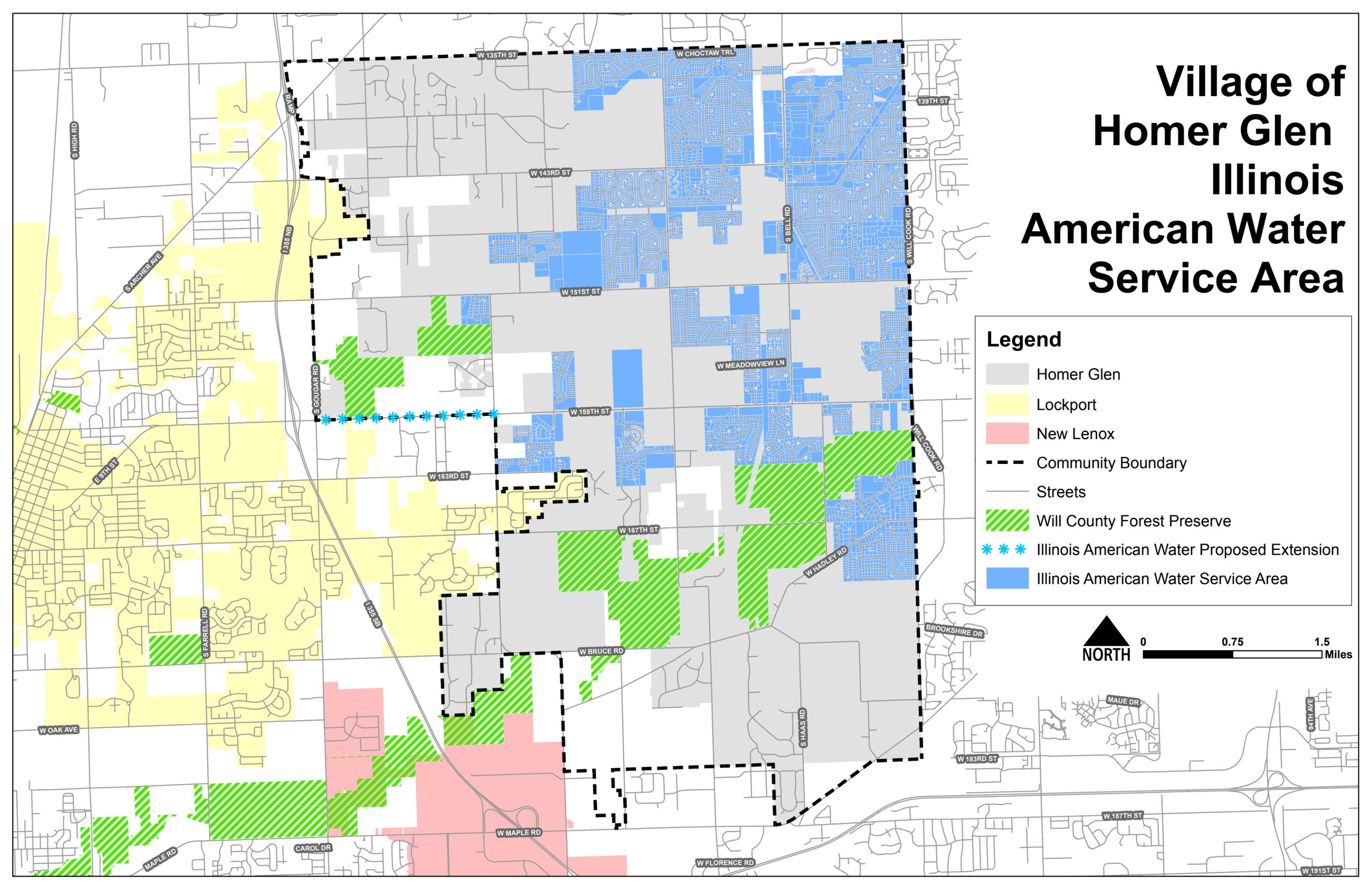
- Cobrahead Drop Lens (31)
- ComEd (74)
- ComEd/Homer Township Highway Dept (34)
- Flat Lens (273)
- GE Salem Post Top* (229)
- Globe Head (9)
- Homer Township Highway Dept (31)
- Lumec Fixture (119)
- Post Top Coolie Style (6)
- Tollway (3)



Village of Homer Glen Illinois American Water Service Area

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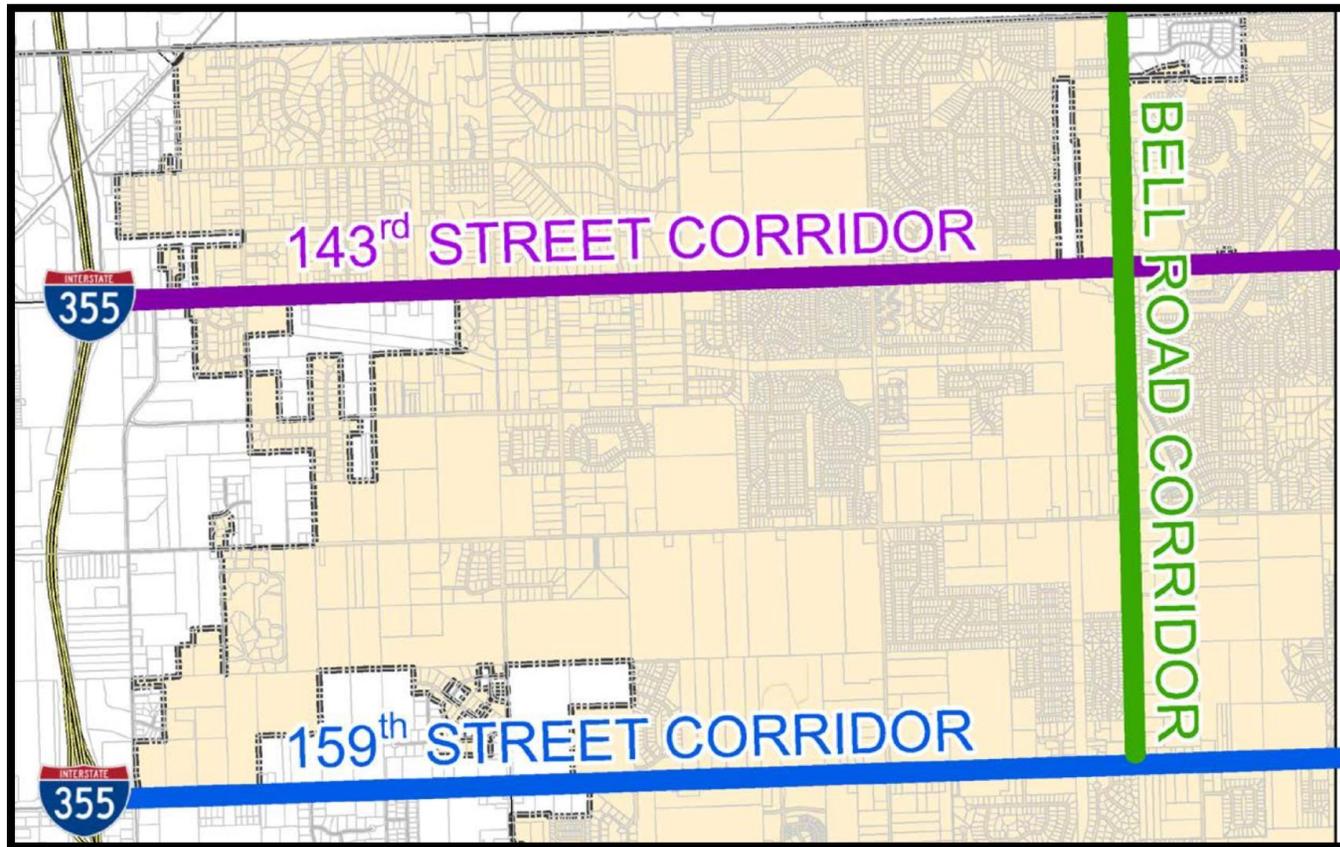
-  Homer Glen
-  Lockport
-  New Lenox
-  Community Boundary
-  Streets
-  Will County Forest Preserve
-  Illinois American Water Proposed Extension
-  Illinois American Water Service Area



**Economic
Development
Director (FT)**

BUSINESS OVERVIEW

The Village of Homer Glen is an upscale suburban Chicago gem with 3 prime commercial corridors, located in one of the country's fastest growing counties. A strategically inspired commercial development plan allows the Village to embrace growth along its high traffic corridors (Bell Road, 143rd Street and 159th Street), while elsewhere preserving the semi-rural character, that makes Homer Glen such a desirable community.



| Major Employers in Homer Glen | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Employer | Sector | Total Employees |
| School District 33C | Education | 437 |
| Meijer | Retail | 300 |
| Jewel-Osco | Retail | 158 |
| Menards | Retail | 146 |
| The Home Depot | Retail | 140 |
| School District 92 | Education | 132 |
| Victorian Village | Senior Living Community | 132 |
| Marian Village | Senior Living Community | 114 |
| Old Oak Country Club | Golf Course | 80 |



| 143rd Street & Bell Road Business Summary | | | |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| | 10 Min. Drive Time | 15 Min. Drive Time | 20 Min. Drive Time |
| Total Businesses | 1,887 | 6,089 | 16,015 |
| Total Employees | 17,938 | 65,974 | 195,897 |

| 159th Street & Parker Road Business Summary | | | |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| | 10 Min. Drive Time | 15 Min. Drive Time | 20 Min. Drive Time |
| Total Businesses | 2,044 | 6,674 | 15,301 |
| Total Employees | 18,987 | 72,283 | 191,762 |



A Touch of Green



Circle Tractor



Meijer

| How Homer Glen Ranks with Its Peer Communities for Jobs | | | | |
|---|-----------------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| Overall Rank | City | Total Score | Job Market Rank | Socioeconomic Environment Rank |
| 3 | Frankfort, IL | 67.71 | 2 | 7 |
| 9 | Lemont, IL | 63.91 | 13 | 14 |
| 22 | Mokena, IL | 61.59 | 27 | 26 |
| 24 | New Lenox, IL | 61.36 | 26 | 46 |
| 49 | Orland Park, IL * | 57.8 | 40 | 81 |
| 55 | Darien, IL | 57.09 | 34 | 110 |
| 65 | Bolingbrook, IL** | 56.16 | 59 | 106 |
| 89 | Woodridge, IL | 54.58 | 77 | 103 |
| 95 | Lockport, IL | 53.38 | 110 | 49 |
| 111 | Romeoville, IL | 51.79 | 73 | 156 |
| 115 | Homer Glen, IL | 51.43 | 105 | 126 |
| 118 | Lisle, IL | 51.03 | 108 | 124 |

Source: 2016's Best & Worst Illinois Cities for Jobs (WalletHub)

<https://wallethub.com/edu/best-illinois-cities-for-jobs/23236/>

*Adjacent community included (not a peer community)

**Not a designated peer community

| New Commercial Construction 2014-2016 | | | | |
|--|------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| YEAR | SIZE (SF) | BUSINESS | CATEGORY | ADDRESS / CENTER |
| 2014 | 191,352 | Meijer | Gen. Merch., Grocery, Gas | 14169 Bell (20.4 acres) |
| 2014 | 21,652 | Richards Building Supply | New Corporate HQ | 12070 159th (3.4 acres) |
| 2015 | 7,350 | Glen Oaks Center | Office/Retail Building | 12475 159th |
| 2016 | 4,200 | Outlot Building | Retail | Homer Town Square |

| Net Square Footage of New Openings, Expansions and Relocations | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|---------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| YEAR | NET SF | OPENED | RELOCATION | EXPANSION | NEW OWNERSHIP | IMPROVEMENTS |
| 2013 | 30,829 | 10 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| 2014 | 255,400 | 19 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| 2015 | 126,815 | 17 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 |
| 2016 | 21,841 | 10 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 7 |
| 2017 | 37,481 | 10 | 0 | 2 | 8 | 2 |

| Commercial Inventory Summary * | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|------------|--------------|------------------|----------------------|---|
| COMMERCIAL TYPE | RECORDS | BUSINESS MIX | SQUARE FOOTAGE | % OF TOTAL INVENTORY | NOTES |
| Retail SF Occupied | 135 | 44% | 1,090,764 | 56% | |
| Service SF Occupied | 163 | 53% | 749,178 | 38% | |
| Office SF Occupied | 7 | 2% | 27,689 | 1% | Includes Richards Bldg. Supply at 21,652 SF |
| TOTAL SF OCCUPIED | 305 | 100% | 1,867,631 | 95% | |
| | | | | | |
| SF AVAILABLE | 49 | | 94,019 | 5% | |
| | | | | | |
| TOTAL INVENTORY | 354 | | 1,961,650 | 100% | |

*As of 11-17

| Centers with over 5,000 sf available * | | | |
|---|-----------|----------------|---|
| COMMERCIAL CENTER NAME | RECORDS | SQAURE FOOTAGE | NOTES |
| Homer Town Square | 11 | 23,829 | Includes 9,062 SF with lease pending (former Just Tires space with 8 auto bays) |
| Orland Oak Center | 8 | 16,348 | |
| Founders Crossing South | 1 | 9,300 | Former Village Hall |
| 15801 Bell Building (Office Building) | 3 | 7,739 | |
| Old Oak Professional Building (Office Building) | 6 | 6,851 | |
| Founders Crossing North | 4 | 5,251 | |
| Bell Tower Plaza | 4 | 5,196 | |
| TOTAL | 37 | 74,514 | |

*As of 11-17

BUSINESS RETENTION

The Village provides a variety of services through its Economic Development Department, in an effort to retain existing business within the community. The Economic Development Director regularly visits businesses to gain insight on current business conditions, provides resources to business owners and assists in mitigating any issues.

The Village has a Sales Tax Economic Development Incentive Policy intended for the retention, expansion or modernization of existing businesses as well as recruiting new businesses.

Through this agreement, businesses are rebated a portion of the 1% local home rule sales tax for a certain period of time or up to a certain amount. To date, the Village has approved the following sales tax incentive agreements: Big R, Meijer, Homer Town Square, Menards and Goodings Grove Shopping Center.

The State of Illinois is in the midst of an expansive reconstruction and expansion project of 159th Street. The Village took a proactive approach in ensuring adequate business identity and entry signage throughout the construction project, by sponsoring temporary signage for the businesses along the 159th Street corridor.



The Homer Glen Area Chamber of Commerce, established in 1988 and comprised of representatives from area businesses, sponsors programs year-round that support both business and residential citizens of the community. The Chamber of Commerce produces an annual Community Resource Guide that provides residents a useful guide to local businesses, government agencies, non-profits and other organizations.

BUSINESS RECRUITMENT

The Economic Development Department directly recruits new businesses and commercial development to Homer Glen through a variety of outreach efforts with business owners, corporate real estate directors, brokers and developers. Recruitment is supported by networking, data research/analysis and data sharing to address business site selection requirements. The Department maintains and utilizes a number of tools that serve the recruitment process, including a recruitment webpage, a comprehensive space and property inventory, the use of eblast newsletters and printed brochures. Recruitment packets for specific businesses are customized to address their interests and needs. The Director attends and participates in regional and annual recruitment events of the International Council of Shopping Centers. The Economic Development Financial Incentive Tool (SOP #7) provides clear guidance for the process of evaluating and negotiating sales tax sharing agreements when appropriate. The Department provides opening process support for new business owners to ensure their opening experience in Homer Glen is business-friendly and efficient.



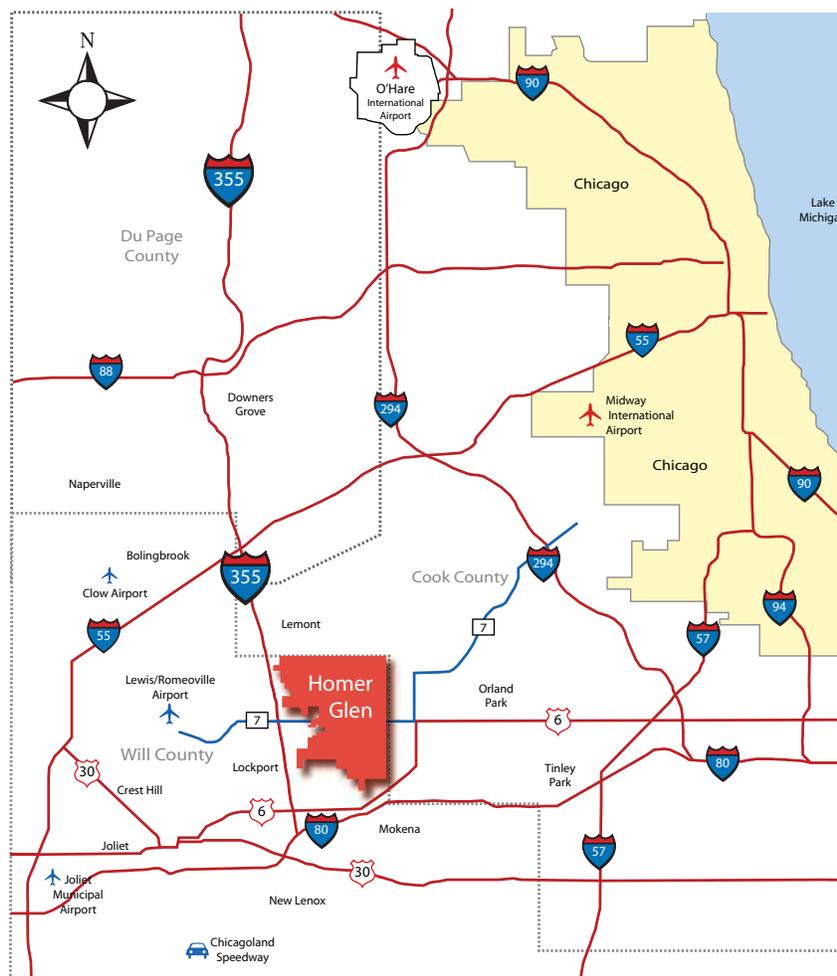
VILLAGE OF HOMER GLEN *Advantage*

YOUR CONNECTION TO PRIME COMMERCIAL CORRIDORS.

Homer Glen is a business-friendly municipality, with three prime commercial corridors, in an emerging market. A strategically inspired commercial development plan allows the Village to embrace growth along its high traffic commercial corridors, while elsewhere, preserving the semi-rural character that makes Homer Glen such a desirable community for families and businesses.

Helping you achieve your business goals

- 25 Miles Southwest of Chicago
- Prime Will County Location
- Median Family Income of \$91,257
- Adjacent to I-355 with Two Interchanges
- Three High Traffic Commercial Corridors
- \$200+ Million in Planned Commercial Corridor Road Improvements
- Prime Land Development Opportunities
- No Municipal Property Tax
- Lowest Municipal Sales Tax in Area



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3 Commercial Corridors

143rd/Bell



FEATURED OPPORTUNITY SITE

- * 13.5 ACRES, ZONED C-3
- * BANK REO SITE FOR SALE
- * FULL ACCESS POINT WITH A SIGNALIZED INTERSECTION
- * CONNECTIVITY TO EXISTING RETAIL
- * UTILITIES AVAILABLE



VILLAGE OF HOMER GLEN

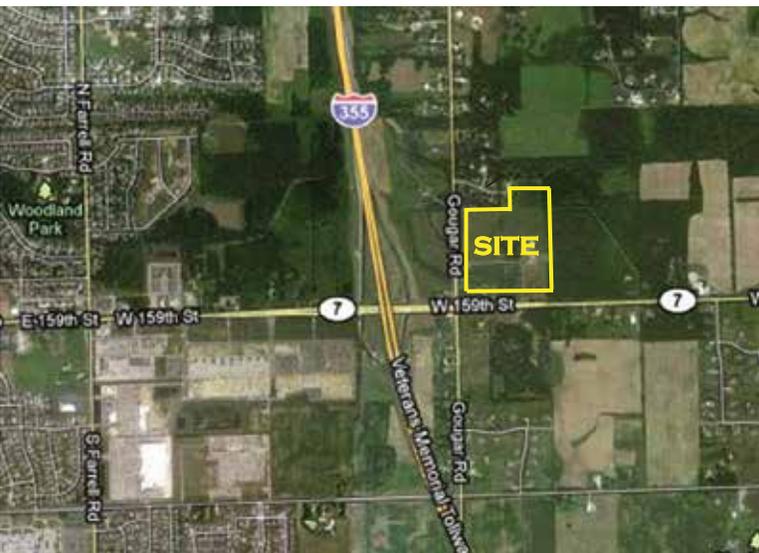
Advantage

159th (IL Rt 7)



FEATURED OPPORTUNITY SITE

- * PREMIER I-355 INTERCHANGE LOCATION (159TH STREET).
- * 44 ACRES, ZONED C-3.
- * PROJECTED TRAFFIC: I-355 (85,000), 159TH (30,000).
- * NO MUNICIPAL PROPERTY TAX.



VILLAGE OF HOMER GLEN

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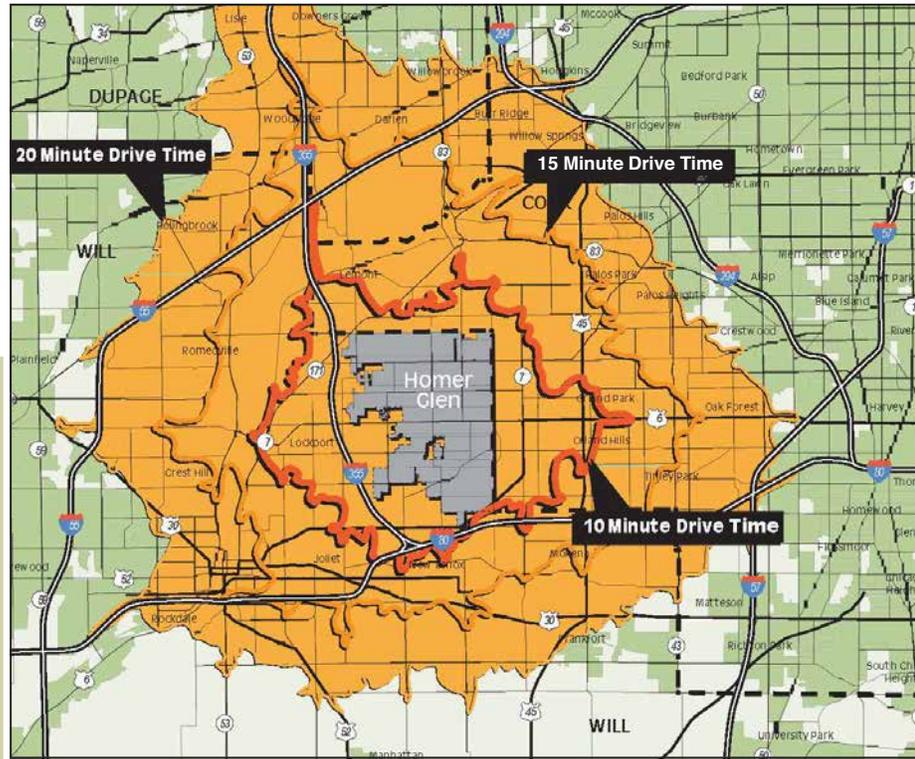
DEMOGRAPHICS BY DRIVE TIME

| | <u>10 MIN</u> | <u>15 MIN</u> | <u>20 MIN</u> |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| POPULATION | 68,927 | 172,378 | 416,262 |
| HOUSING UNITS | 23,444 | 61,405 | 144,976 |
| MEDIAN HSHLD INCOME | \$94,634 | \$85,905 | \$76,811 |
| DAYTIME POPULATION | 45,231 | 138,733 | 351,240 |

Trade Area

Traffic Counts

| | | |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|
| 159 TH (IL ROUTE 7) | 17,600 | 30,000 |
| 143 RD ST | 15,800 | 28,400 |
| BELL RD | 15,900 | 26,800 |
| LEMONT RD, AT 143 RD | 8,200 | 17,000 |



Existing Retailers



VILLAGE OF HOMER GLEN

Advantage

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MESSAGING / BRANDING



The Shop and Dine Homer Glen Logo is used by the Village in promotional efforts and is also available for download by local businesses to use in their own marketing efforts.



The Business Connect Logo is used in email marketing efforts of the Economic Development Department.

FACILITIES MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

Facilities Manager (FT)

Maintenance Worker (FT)

Seasonal Maintenance Workers (2.5 TEMP.)

Custodian (PT)

FACILITIES MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

The Facilities Maintenance Department is staffed by the Facilities Manager, Maintenance Worker and Custodian. Seasonal maintenance workers are employed full-time from May through October. The Facilities Maintenance Department is responsible for the care and ongoing maintenance of Village Hall, all Village Parks, the Heroes Trail, Village vehicles and outdoor power equipment. This Department is also responsible for overseeing the Village's tree planting program.

VILLAGE OF HOMER GLEN PARK PROPERTIES

**PHASE I
OPENING
SUMMER 2018**

Heritage Park - 14110 W. 151st Street

- 103 Acres
- Phase I construction includes: earthwork, installation of storm sewer, water main and sanitary sewer, construction of the west parking lot, circular ring road and the walking path / trail, electrical and lighting, and landscaping. This portion of Phase I is expected to be completed in July, 2018.
- The storm water portion of Phase I is anticipated to go out to bid in March 2018.



Kingston Hills Park - 14848 S. Carlton Lane

- 1.72 Acres
- Pavillion / Picnic Shelter
- Playground
- Walking Path / Trail



Stonebridge Park - 16000 S. Stonebridge Drive

- 5.62 Acres
- Baseball field / diamond
- Basketball Court
- Handicap Parking
- Pavillion / Picnic Shelter
- Playground
- Tennis Court
- Sand Volleyball Court
- Walking Path / Trail

VILLAGE OF HOMER GLEN PARK PROPERTIES CONTINUED...



Evlyn's Gate North Park - 16066 S. Syd Creek Drive

- 2.3 Acres
- Pavillion / Picnic Shelter
- Playground
- Walking Path / Trail



Goodings Grove Park- 13900 Greystone Drive

- 3.53 Acres
- Basketball Court
- Handicap Parking
- Pavillion / Picnic Shelter
- Playground
- Walking Path / Trail

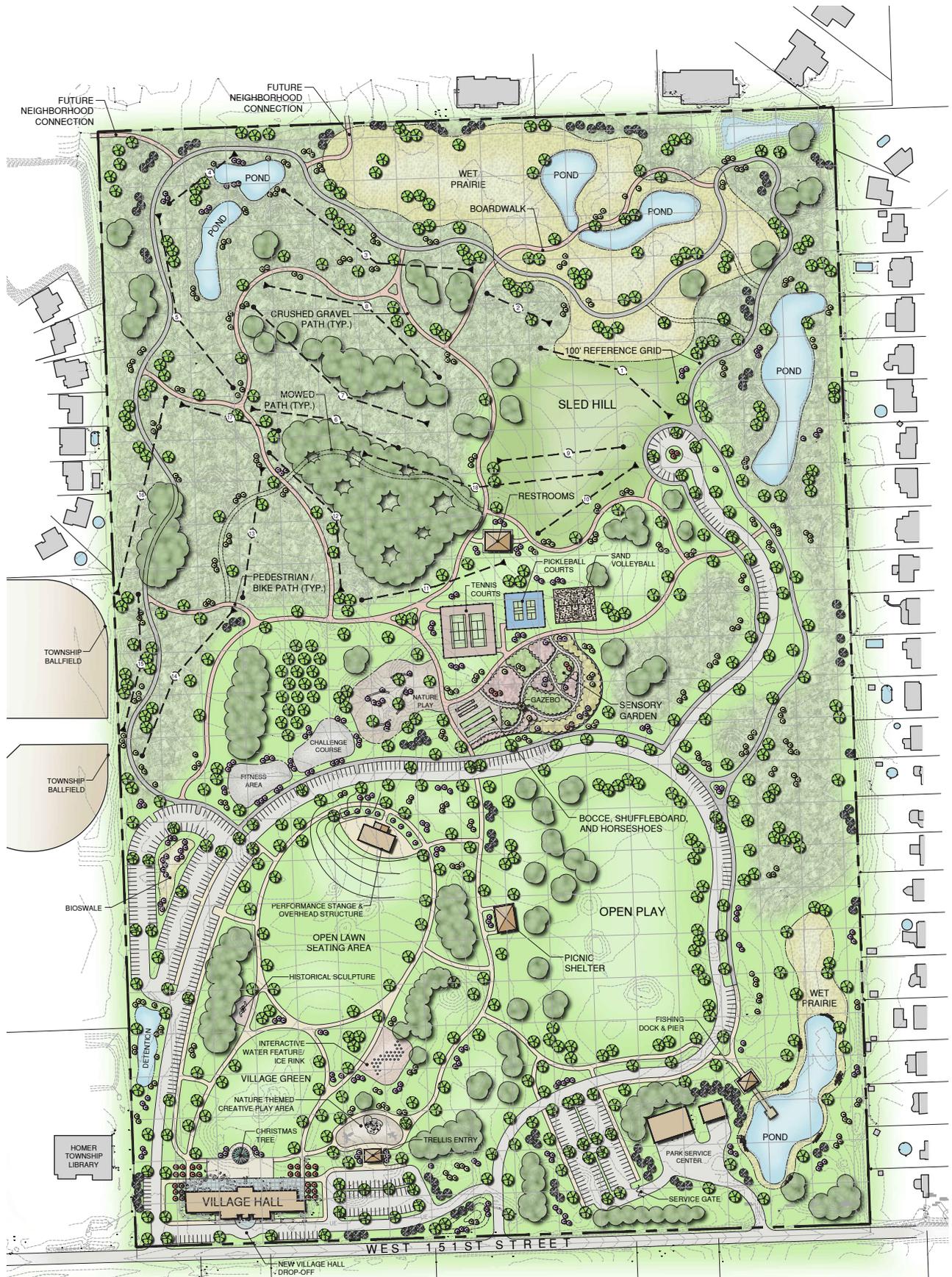


Erin Hills Park - 13725 S. Dublin Drive

- 14.69 Acres
- Pavillion / Picnic Shelter
- Handicap Parking
- Playground
- Putting Green
- Walking Path / Trail

| Public Parks and Preserves | County-Township-Village | Acreage | Baseball Fields/Diamonds | Basketball | Biking | Camping | Dog Park | Equestrian Trails | Exercise Apparatus | Fishing Pond | Football Fields | Handicap Parking | Pavilion/Picnic Shelter | Picnic Area | Playground | Putting Green | Soccer Fields | Tennis Court | Volleyball | Walking Path/Trail |
|--|-------------------------|---------|--------------------------|------------|--------|---------|----------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------------|-------------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|------------|--------------------|
| Culver Park 14600 S. Parker Rd. | T | 11 | • | | | | | | | • | | • | | • | | | | | | |
| Edmond J. Sendra Park 14727 S. Greenbrier Ln. | T | 6 | | • | | | | | • | | | | | • | | | | | | • |
| Erin Hills Park 13725 S. Dublin Dr. | V | 1.5 | | | | | | | | | | • | • | | • | • | | | | • |
| Erin Hills - Homer Glen Marsh 13725 S. Dublin Dr. | T | 10 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Evlyn's Gate North Park 16066 S. Syd Creek Dr. | V | 2.7 | | | | | | | | | | | • | | • | | | | | • |
| Glenview Walk Park 15603 James Ln. | V | 0.9 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Goodings Grove Park 13900 Greystone Dr. | V | 3.5 | | • | | | | | | | | • | • | | • | | | | | • |
| Goreham Park 14431 S. Pheasant Lane | T | 4 | | | | | | | | | | | | | • | | | | | • |
| Hadley Valley - Bruce Rd. Access 14649 W. Bruce Rd. | C | 726 | | | • | | | • | | | | | • | | | | | | | • |
| Healing Garden 14585 S. Founders Crossing | T | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | • |
| Heritage Park 14110 W. 151st St. | V | 103 | Under Construction | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kingston Hills Park 14848 S. Carlton Ln. | V | 1.3 | | | | | | | | | | | • | | • | | | | | • |
| Lamers Park 12307 W. Lakeview Trail | T | 9 | | | | | | | | • | | | | • | | | | | | • |
| Meadowview West Park 13150 W. Meadowview Ln. | V | 0.9 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Messenger Marsh 16321 S. Bell Rd. | C | 620 | | | • | | | | | • | | | • | | | | | | | |
| Messenger Marsh Dog Park 16321 S. Bell Rd. | C | 7 | | | | | • | | | | | | • | | | | | | | |
| Messenger Woods Nature Preserve 13800 W. Baruce Rd. | C | 441 | | | | • | | | | | | | • | | | | | | | • |
| Morris Park 15365 W. 163rd St. | T | 18 | | | | | | | | • | | • | | • | • | | • | | | |
| Prairie Garden 15057 S. Bell Rd. | V | 0.5 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Stonebridge Park 16000 S. Stonebridge Dr. | V | 5.9 | • | • | | | | | | | | • | • | | • | | | • | • | • |
| Town Center Park 14354 W. 151st St. | T | 35 | • | | | | | | | | • | • | • | | • | | | | | |
| Trantina Dog Park 15717 W. 151st St. | T | 18.9 | | | | | • | | | | | • | • | | | | | | | |
| Trantina Farm 15744 W. 151st St. | T | 60.8 | | | | | | • | | | | • | • | • | • | | | | | • |
| Yangas Park 12001 W. Venetian Way | T | 10 | | • | | | | | | | | | | • | • | | | • | • | |

* Addresses are for navigational purposes only. No mail service.



SITE DATA:

SITE AREA: 103 ACRES
 PATHS/TRAILS: 25,592 LF (5.03 MILES)
 ROADWAY: 4,626 LF - (0.88 MILES)
 PARKING: 470 STALLS + 9 ACCESSIBLE

LEGEND:

-  SIDEWALK -- 8,315 LF (1.57 Mi)
-  PAVED WALKING PATH (EMERGENCY AND MAINTENANCE ACCESS) -- 8,289 LF (1.57 Mi)
-  CRUSHED STONE PATH -- 8,680 LF (1.64 Mi)
-  MOWN PATH -- 1,298 LF (0.25 Mi)
-  EXISTING TREES
-  SHADE TREES
-  ORNAMENTAL TREES
-  EVERGREEN TREES
-  DISC GOLF

Concept Plan

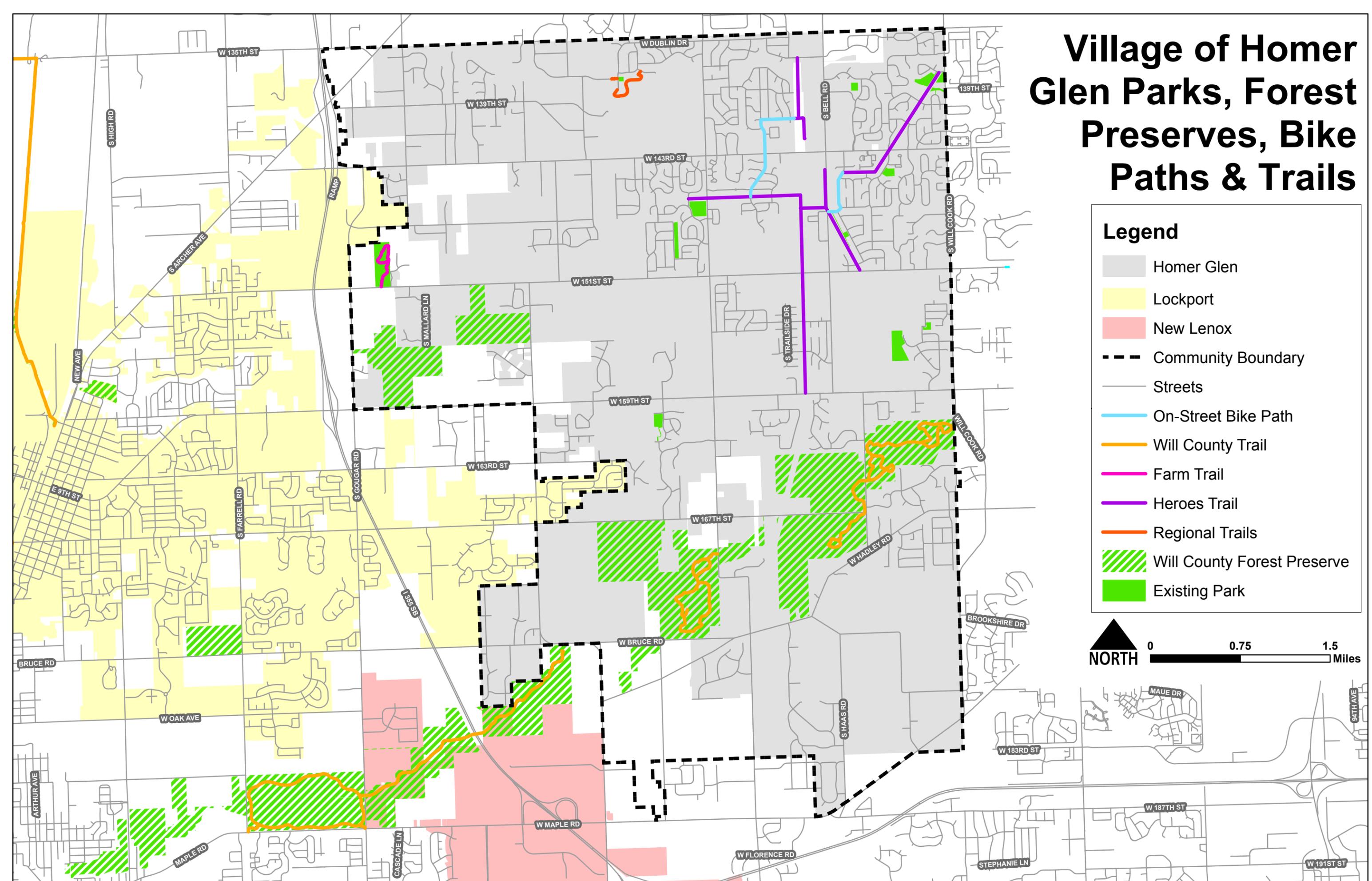
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Village of Homer Glen Parks, Forest Preserves, Bike Paths & Trails

Legend

- Homer Glen
- Lockport
- New Lenox
- Community Boundary
- Streets
- On-Street Bike Path
- Will County Trail
- Farm Trail
- Heroes Trail
- Regional Trails
- Will County Forest Preserve
- Existing Park



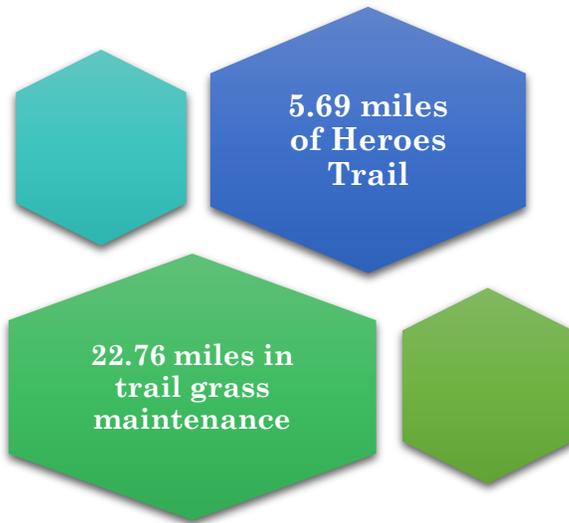
VILLAGE OF HOMER GLEN HEROES TRAIL



The Heroes Trail System is made up of several different segments that span throughout the Village of Homer Glen. The trail is multipurpose and can accommodate pedestrians and bicyclists.

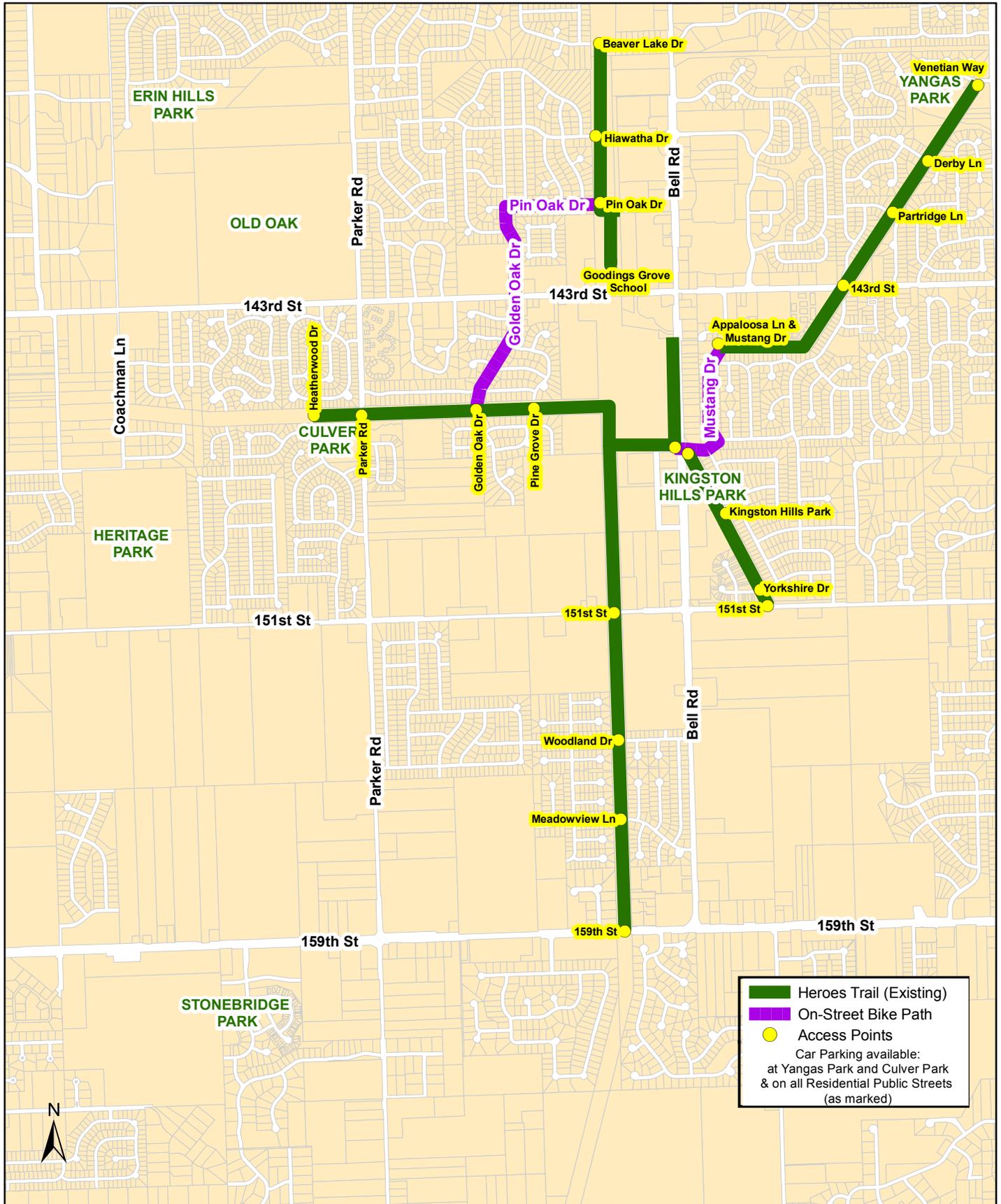
Several extensions to the trail system have been completed by the Village due in part to aggressive efforts in securing grant funding. The south extension to the trail was completed in 2016, adding 1.6 miles to the trail system from the existing trail segment at Martingale Lane, South to 159th Street. In 2017, the Village completed an extension to the northern portion of the trail system from the stub at Pin Oak Drive to the Goodings Grove elementary school. This extension enables residents from the Old Oak Subdivision to access the Bell Road Commercial Corridor and the elementary school.

Upon completion of the 159th Street Improvement Project, the Facilities Maintenance staff will maintain the center landscaped medians and the trails for the 3.5 mile stretch from Will Cook Road to Cedar Road.



Village of Homer Glen Heroes Trail Map

Not to Scale
Updated 10.17.17



PARKWAY TREE PROGRAM

In 2013, the Village hired Natural Path Urban Forestry Consultants to conduct a Village parkway tree inventory to determine how many ash trees were infested with the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) and at risk of infestation. The inventory identified 400 trees that needed to be removed at that time. The total ash tree population was 1,289 (16.4% of all parkway trees).

In 2014, the Village adopted SOP No. 11 to create a Public Parkway Tree Replacement Program to replace public parkway trees that have been removed due to disease, infestation, or storm damage. Parkway tree removals are completed with the assistance of the Homer Township Road District.

Village staff coordinates all tree planting activities with a selected contractor, approved by the Village Board. The Village has an annual budget for tree planting that comes out of the CIP Tree Replacement Fund (Fund 71). The Public Parkway Tree Replacement Program is provided at no direct costs, charges or fees to residents for the tree purchase or labor for planting the tree. Residents are permitted to plant their own parkway tree at no cost to the Village. Residents are asked to contact the Building Department before performing any work in the parkway.

Each season, Village staff prepares a list of replacement trees. This includes reviewing the current tree inventory numbers and assessing the tree species adjacent to potential planting sites, which are listed on the Tree Replacement Log. Once the list is complete, a Request for Proposals is created and a contract is awarded by the Village Board. Replacement trees are ordered based on availability and the desired species for the planting location.

The public parkway trees are individually selected by the Village arborist, from the supplying nurseries, to ensure proper shape and quality. All nurseries are Illinois Department of Agriculture certified nurseries and all nursery stock adheres to the *ANSI Z60.1-2004 American Standard for Nursery Stock*. Village staff and/or arborist walk through the nurseries and attach field tags to the appropriate trees. The majority of selected trees have a caliper of 1.5-2.5 inches (measurement of diameter at a point six (6) inches above ground).

To date, the Village has replaced 565 trees through the Parkway Tree Replacement program. It is estimated that more than 1,200 trees have been removed since the tree inventory.

PARKWAY TREE PROGRAM CONTINUED...

| Parkway Tree Planting Program | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Planting Season | Number of Trees Planted |
| Fall 2014 | 77 |
| Spring 2015 | 67 |
| Fall 2015 | 56 |
| Spring 2016 | 80 |
| Fall 2016 | 94 |
| Spring 2017 | 100 |
| Fall 2017 | 91 |
| Total trees planted | 565 |

In the fall of 2017, Village staff identified 2,659 potential sites (void of a tree) for planting a parkway tree.



BUILDING MAINTENANCE / MANAGEMENT

In addition to maintaining parks and trails, Facilities Maintenance staff is responsible for the internal and external building maintenance of the Village Hall, located at 14240 W. 151st Street. The Village Hall consists of nearly 18,000 square feet on three (3) floors. The Village completed a major renovation of this building in 2016 and moved offices from the former leased space in the Founders Crossing Shopping Center. This investment allowed the Village to forego annual rent payments for the leased space and move Village operations to a larger and more accommodating space to serve the community.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE

The Village's Information Technology (IT) functions are managed internally by the Facilities Manager. Implementation and installation of hardware and various software is contracted to an IT consultant on a case-by-case basis. The IT consultant is responsible for maintaining, updating, monitoring and servicing of the Village's server. Additionally, the IT consultant monitors the Village's network, archives the email, provides offsite data storage, monitors and updates the antivirus software as well as renewing the SSL domain certificates. The Village maintains twenty-seven (27) networked desktop computers, ten (10) laptop computers, two (2) networked multi-function printers, two (2) single function network printers, one (1) large format printer, one (1) large format printer/scanner and one (1) server.

VEHICLE / EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE

| Equipment / Vehicle Inventory | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Year | Vehicle / Equipment | Department / Agency |
| 2008 | Ford Fusion | Administration / Planning & Zoning / Economic Development |
| 2007 | Ford Taurus SE | Building Department |
| 2016 | Ford Explorer Police | Building Department |
| 2017 | Ford Escape | Building Department / Code Enforcement |
| 2007 | Ford Pickup F150 | Development Services |
| 2012 | Ford F250 Super Duty XL | Development Services |
| 1978 | Ford C8000 | Emergency Management |
| 1991 | Ford F350/Ambulance | Emergency Management |
| 1996 | Ford E350/Bus | Emergency Management |
| 1996 | Ford F Super Duty | Emergency Management |
| 2004 | Ford Explorer | Emergency Management |
| 2006 | Ford Expedition | Emergency Management |
| 2008 | Dodge Durango | Emergency Management |
| 2008 | Magnum Generator Trailer | Emergency Management |
| 2009 | US Cargo Trailer | Emergency Management |
| 2010 | Ford F150 | Emergency Management |
| 2011 | Liberty Trailer | Emergency Management |
| 2006 | Ford F550 Dump Truck | Facilities Maintenance |
| 2016 | Liberty Flatbed Trailer | Facilities Maintenance |
| 2016 | Toro 4010D Large Mower | Facilities Maintenance |
| 2016 | Toro 7200 Small Mower | Facilities Maintenance |
| 2016 | Toro 7200 Small Mower | Facilities Maintenance |
| 2016 | Toro Spreader/Sprayer | Facilities Maintenance |
| 2014 | Ford F250 Super Duty | Facilities Maintenance / Emergency Management |
| 1999 | Crown Victoria | Out of Service |

HOMER TOWNSHIP INTERGOVERNMENTAL PARTNERS

Homer Township

Homer Township
Road District

HOMER TOWNSHIP

Homer was one of the first Will County Townships to be settled, due to its excellent stand of timber. Early pioneers moved into timber areas, clearing the land for farms and using the timber for building houses, barns and fences. Homer's land was rolling enough to provide good drainage, yet not hilly enough to encourage excessive erosion of the rich topsoil.

Named by Alanson Granger in honor of his native home, Homer, New York in the late 1820's. A true Yankee name from an old Yankee Settlement, should a traveler for many miles ask around for directions to the Yankee Settlement, he would usually find his way to Homer Township.

The Yankee Settlement, was one of three (3) major settlements in the area. In 1832 & 1833 two (2) villages were formed in what is now Homer Township. These were the towns of Goodings Grove & Hadley.

Excerpts taken from – Where the Trails Cross – Vol.7:4, Summer 1977 – Don Witt

In 1835 the first school house, the first store and a blacksmith shop in the township were built in Hadley. Norman Hawley operated the first store, which was the center of activity for the growing community. Merchandise for Hawley's store was hauled from Chicago by oxen teams, the only possible means of travel over the rough trails of the day.

Little did residents of Homer Township realize that history of great importance to the agricultural world was being made in a blacksmith shop on the north edge of town. John Lane, the blacksmith was asked if he could improve the old wooden plows they had brought from the eastern states. After much experimenting with flexible steel, obtained from Col. Sayers' saw mill in the form of old worn out saw blades, Lane achieved a successful design. With the help from John Griswold of Lockport, the steel blade was mounted on a wooden frame and the new product was ready for use.

Lane did not patent his invention, being satisfied to share with his friends of the soil. In 1911, the Centennial Committee of Homer Township placed a marker at the northeast corner of Gougar Road and 7th Street that reads: *"In memory of John Lane who made the first steel plow in 1833 on this farm."*

Homer Township encompasses 36 square miles.

Government

The Homer Township government consists of eight (8) elected officials including the Township Supervisor, Township Clerk, Township Assessor, Township Road District Commissioner and four (4) Trustees.

The Township Supervisor serves as Chief Executive Officer of the Township, serving as Chairperson of the Township Board, Supervisor of General Assistance, Treasurer of the Township Funds and Ex-Officio Treasurer of the Road and Bridge Funds.

The Township Clerk is the keeper of the Township records, Ordinances, Resolutions and Policies, records minutes for the Township Board of Trustees, acts as FOIA officer for the Township and Ex-Officio Clerk for the Road District Commissioner.

The Township Assessor is responsible for determining the actual value of real property while maintaining equity between properties in the Township. The assessor uses multiplier to bring the Township properties up to State mandated 33 1/3 percent of the market value. The Assessor's office files Senior Homestead Exemption, Senior Citizen Assessment Freeze Exemptions, Disabled Person's Homestead Exemption and Disabled Veterans Homestead Exemption. And keeps the property record cards for all Township properties which include legal description, ownership, construction, size and Permanent Index Numbers (PIN).

Senior Services

The Township offers senior services such as the Homer Township Senior Club which meets socially once a month, bus trips through the Senior Club, Handicap Parking Placard applications, and a number of connections with Will County Senior Services.

The Senior Housing development has been a wonderful addition to the Township services for seniors and always has a waiting list.

Over 3,000 senior citizens call Homer Township home. Many of these seniors literally built Homer Township into the wonderful community that it is today. Founders Crossing will help keep our treasured senior citizens in the area they helped to create.

This complex has a total of 30 rental units on 5 acres. Each unit has approximately 950 SF with 2 bedrooms, 1 full bath, kitchen/dinette, living room and a single car attached garage.

The Betty Woods Activity Center located within the Founders Crossing Senior Housing complex is available for residents to rent at no charge.

The development is located at 14800 S. Bell Road with the Township's Open Space on three sides and a commercial development between the units and Bell Road.



The Homer Township Senior Club meets the second Tuesday of every month (except July & September) from 12 – 3p.m. at Cross of Glory Church at 14719 W. 163rd Street in Homer Glen. The club organizes a number of bus trip for its members.

Pace Dial-A-Ride Program takes residents to particular points within the City of Joliet, Joliet Township, Plainfield Township, Lockport Township, Troy Township and Homer Township. With the help of grants and subsidies, this service provides transportation for seniors and people with disabilities.

Parks and Open Space

The Open Space program was established in 1999 through citizen-based initiative. the purpose is to promote preservation of the natural environment, scenic resources, geological features and historic sites. The Township Open Space Planning and Operations Committee is dedicated to promoting opportunities for educational programs, outdoor recreation and conservation practices for the community. The Township has acquired over 200 Open Space areas and is currently working on long-term plans for these sites.

The Trantina Farm is one of the Township parks which includes a covered pavilion, a screen house, parking lots, picnic areas, playground, walking and equestrian trails, a dog park, wetland & prairie restoration area. The Austin-Welter Barn is located on the property as well and was designated an historical Will County landmark in 2015.

The Township maintains a total of nine (9) community parks including:

- Morris Park - 15365 W. 163rd Street
- Culver Memorial Park - 14600 S. Parker Road
- Edmond J. Sendra Park – 14727 S. Greenbrier Lane
- Yangas Park – 12001 W. Venetian Way
- Lamers Park – 12307 W. Lakeview Trail
- Goreham Park – 14431 S. Pheasant Lane
- Town Center Park – 14354 W. 151st Street
- Trantina Farm Dog Park – 15717 W. 151st Street

HOMER TOWNSHIP ROAD DISTRICT

Funding and Autonomy

The Homer Township Road District is a separate governmental entity. It is managed by the Homer Township Road District Commissioner. It is funded by Local Real Estate Taxes and State Motor Fuel Taxes. Although the Township Supervisor and Board of Trustees “*Certify*” the Road District Tax Levy, the Amount of Taxes Levied upon the Township is determined solely by the Township Road District Commissioner.

While the Road District’s expenditures from the Real Estate Tax Levy are overseen by the Homer Township Supervisor and Board of Trustees, spending is controlled by the Road District Commissioner. The Homer Township Supervisor acts as the Road District Treasurer and the Township Clerk is also the Road District Clerk. The Road District’s Motor Fuel Taxes are levied by the State of Illinois. The Road District’s portion of Motor Fuel Taxes are then given to the Will County Engineer who controls the spending of those funds in Homer Township.

The Road District Commissioner’s compensation (salary and benefits package) is controlled and set by the Township Supervisor and Board of Trustees and is paid out of Township Funds, not Road District Funds.

Homer Township Road District Staffing

- Road Commissioner – (1 full time)
- Office Manager (1 full time)
- Administrative Assistant (3 part time)
- Engineering and Operations Manager (1 full time)
- Fleet Manager (1 full time)
- Facilities Manager (1 full time)
- Concrete Coordinator (1 full time)
- Road Crew Leader (2 full time)
- Road Crew Laborer (10 full time)
- Seasonal Summer Help (2-3 seasonal full time)

Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Homer Glen

The Homer Township Road District maintains the roads, road signs, drainage systems, sidewalks and trees that are in the road right-of-way within the Village of Homer Glen. This relationship is governed by an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) originally agreed to by both parties in 2001 and revised in 2003. The Agreement authorizes the Road District to manage maintenance of the Village roads in the same manner as it did prior to the incorporation of Homer Glen. The IGA is an annual agreement that automatically renews on each anniversary date.

Agreement Funding

Funding to the Homer Township Road District for this maintenance is provided by the Real Estate Tax that is levied by the Homer Township Road District Commissioner. As per State Statutes, Road and Bridge Taxes levied within a Municipality by the Road District are divided equally at collection (on your real estate tax bill) by the County Collector with half going to the Road District and half going to the Municipality. The Village then forwards those Road and Bridge taxes levied by the Road District that they collect back to the Road District. An additional agreed-to amount of \$183,600.00 is paid to the Road District by the Village annually. This money replaces Motor Fuel Tax Revenue not paid to the Road District due to incorporation.

| 5-Year History of Road District IGA Cost | | |
|---|------------------|----------------|
| Fiscal Year Collected | Levy Year | Amount |
| 4/30/2018 | 2016 | \$1,338,632.09 |
| 4/30/2017 | 2015 | \$1,318,269.86 |
| 4/30/2016 | 2014 | \$1,311,003.69 |
| 4/30/2015 | 2013 | \$1,284,963.97 |
| 4/30/2014 | 2012 | \$1,256,050.11 |

District Services

- Plow snow and distribute ice control on a little more than one hundred and forty (140) miles of roads.
- Maintain road surface markings annually.
- Maintain storm sewers, drains and basins.
- Maintain all drainage ditches and driveway culverts.
- Inspect and clear debris from all major drainage areas and systems prior to rain events.
- Maintain the surface and shoulders of all roads.
- Maintain and replace when needed, approximately one hundred (100) miles of sidewalks.
- Monitor street lights in unincorporated Homer Township and dispatch vendors.
- Mow right-of way grass in open areas.
- Trim the over eight thousand (8,000) trees when they interfere with pedestrian walkways, or safe vehicle operation and/or visibility.
- Maintain right-of-way vegetation for line-of-sight safety at all intersections.
- Street sweep all curbed subdivisions twice each summer season.
- Remove debris from roads.
- Install and maintain the more than two thousand (2,000) regulatory and street signs.
- Maintain vehicle weight limitations.
- Issue permits to monitor all sub-contractor activity in the road rights-of-way.

Major Road Programs

- Improve intersections with turn lanes and traffic controls.
- Add turn lanes at major use areas such as parks and public buildings.
- Re-engineer and widen roads during resurfacing.

Jurisdiction

The Homer Township Road District maintains all of the public roads and rights-of-way in Homer Glen and the unincorporated areas of Homer Township except for the state and county roads:

- Homer Glen: 127 local miles
- Unincorporated: 18 local miles

The State and County Roads not under the Township Road District are as follows:

State Roads

- *Archer Avenue (Route 171)*
- *159th Street (Route 7)*
- *Southwest Highway (Route 6)*

Will County Roads

- *Bell Road*
- *135th Street (west of Archer Avenue)*
- *143rd Street*
- *Cedar Road (south of 189th Street)*
- *Parker Road (south of 175th Street and Bruce Road)*
- *Chicago-Bloomington Trail (east of Parker Road)*
- *Hadley Road*
- *167th Street (east of Hadley Road)*

Cook County Roads

- *Will Cook Road*

Major Road Improvement Projects In / Near Homer Township (as of September 2017)

159th Street – Illinois Rt. 7 (State of Illinois)

SCOPE: MAJOR WIDENING FROM TWO (2) LANES TO FOUR (4) WITH A 33' MEDIAN AND DOUBLE TURN LANES WITH NEW TRAFFIC SIGNALS AND STREET LIGHTING AT MAJOR INTERSECTIONS

- Construction began in late 2015 with Utility Relocation (overhead and underground) and drainage (detention and storm sewers). That work was completed in late 2016.
- Two (2) new west bound lanes are being built north of the existing road and when completed, traffic will be reconfigured to those new lanes and the old road will be removed and the two (2) new east bound lanes will be constructed.
- Although there have been delays, the east bound lanes should be completed this season and the west bound lanes should be completed by the end of next season.
- Final grading and landscaping should be completed in early 2019.

143rd Street (Will County)

SCOPE: A NEW FOUR (4) LANE ROAD FROM I-355 TO WILL COOK ROAD

- Temporary traffic signals have been installed at Gougar Road. Once the necessary right-of-way is acquired, a right turn lane and permanent traffic signals will be installed. This intersection will serve the Heritage Crossing subdivision entrance (just east of I-355) in late 2018 or early 2019.
- The Lemont Road intersection improvements and new traffic signals are complete.
- The three (3)mile section between Lemont Road and Golden Oak Dr. with an improved Parker Road intersection and traffic lights will not begin until 2020 or beyond. That section still needs the approval of some federal funding and land acquisition. Phase Two engineering for it will not begin until that funding is secured.
- The area between Bell Road and Will Cook Road was completed in 2014.

BELL ROAD (Will County)

SCOPE: A NEW FOUR (4) LANE ROAD WITH DOUBLE LEFT TURN LANES at 143RD STREET

The project is fully funded and engineering is nearing completion. There are still several parcels of land that need to be acquired before construction can begin. The project is broken down into four (4) phases:

1. 159th to 151st Street

Should begin in 2019 if all of the parcels needed are acquired by the end of 2018. If the acquisition process is delayed, then it won't begin until 2020.

2. 151st Street to 143rd Street

Still in phase one design (foot print) Scheduled for 2019.

3. 143rd Street and Bell Road intersection

This will add double left turn lanes in all four (4) directions and improve Bell Road from Greystone (Menards' Entrance) to Martingale traffic light. Should begin in 2018 depending on the success of land acquisition.

4. Greystone Drive to 135th Street

Long term plan; scheduled for 2021 and will require cooperation from/with Cook County.

135th Street (Will County)

SCOPE: A NEW FOUR (4) LANE ROAD FROM NEW AVE. TO ARCHER AVE.

The new road will be four (4) lanes with a Center “Left Turn Lane” throughout its entire length.

Phase One: Widening between New Avenue and Smith Road began last year. There will be new traffic signals installed at New Avenue and an improved intersection with stop signs at Smith Road. Construction in this section will be completed with the first layer of asphalt (the “binder” course) on all lanes this year with the final layer of asphalt and lane markings in the spring of 2018. Phase one should be complete by June 2018.

Phase Two: The 35th Street bridge over Long Run Creek at Archer Ave was completed in 2014. Widening between Smith Road and Archer Avenue will begin once Cook County (this is a Will County project but all of the land owners on the north side of 135th Street are Cook County residents) acquires the right-of-way needed from the Cook County residents on the north side of 135th. Once all of the necessary parcels are acquired, utilities will have to be relocated and that usually takes an entire construction season. Construction should begin shortly thereafter.

Archer Avenue- Illinois Rt. 171 at 135th Street (Will County)

SCOPE: THE BRIDGE OVER LONG RUN CREEK WILL BE REBUILT TO FOUR (4) LANES. THE ADJACENT INTERSECTION OF 135TH WILL BE IMPROVED WITH LEFT TURN LANES AND TRAFFIC SIGNALS.

- Construction began in 2016 and the east bound lanes and bridge section are completed
- The west bound bridge section is scheduled for completion this year and once the Archer Ave entrance to the adjacent mall is opened, 135th Street will be closed for the completion of the west bound lanes and the intersection improvements. 135th Street should be closed for two (2) months with traffic being routed to New Ave.
- This entire project will be complete in early 2018.

151st Street (Village of Homer Glen)

SCOPE: WIDENING OF 151st STREET FROM CEDAR ROAD TO BELL ROAD WITH INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT CEDAR AND CRÈME ROAD

The project is in phase one engineering and waiting for Federal funding. Its target construction date is 2020.

167th and Gougar Road Intersection (City of Lockport)

SCOPE: SIGNALIZATION AND LEFT & RIGHT TURN LANES

This intersection will be improved with left and right turn lanes and traffic signals. It is in phase one engineering now. Construction should begin in early 2018 and be completed in the same year.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (EMA)

Coordinator

Lieutenants (2)

Members (8)

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY OVERVIEW

The mission of the Homer Glen EMA is to prepare our members with the training and proper resources to respond to an emergency or disaster, to assist in recovery efforts following a disaster, and to assist in mitigation to help reduce the effects of disaster situations.

The Homer Glen EMA is working to provide the community with an effective and efficient emergency management operation which, when applied, will provide the levels of protection for life and property and the recovery assistance which are essential to the citizens of the community.

The Homer Glen Emergency Management Agency (EMA) is currently headquartered in a 3,900 square foot leased garage space located at 15757 Annico Drive, in Homer Glen.

In December 2017, the Village Board authorized a professional services agreement with an Architectural firm for purposes of a space needs assessment and a schematic design for a new Emergency Management Agency Center located on the grounds of Heritage Park.



EMA TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

EMA members undergo the following training:

- Basic training (as agreed upon by members of the Will County Mutual Aid Association)
- CPR / AED training
- Standard First Aid
- Basic Incident Command
- Weather Spotting
- Emergency Vehicle Operations
- Radio Communications
- Hazardous Materials Awareness
- Traffic Direction
- Basic Search and Rescue
- Department and Mutual Aid Association Familiarization

EMA CALLOUTS AND MUTUAL AID 2017

- 2-28-2017 Severe Weather Callout/Standby
- 3-31-2017 Assist New Lenox with traffic control at a fatal accident
- 6-14-2017 Assist Lemont with traffic control for an accident
- 6-27-2017 Traffic control and scene lighting needed at 143rd St and Bell Rd for a power outage
- 6-30-2017 Assist Plainfield with traffic control for a train derailment and oil spill
- 7-14-2017 Traffic control for a gas leak at 135th St and Smith Rd
- 7-23-2017 Traffic control and assist with tree removal for a tree across the street at 135th & Maple Av
- 10-6-2017 Traffic control for an accident with power pole down at Eagle Ridge Dr and 151st St
- 12-8-2017 Assist New Lenox with traffic control for an accident
- 12-11-2017 Assist Mokena with traffic control for a funeral detail
- 12-23-2017 Traffic control and scene lighting for a fatal accident on 143rd St west of Cedar Rd

EMA PUBLIC OUTREACH AND SPECIAL EVENTS

EMA members participate in several outreach events by displaying equipment, providing and explaining informational brochures and talking to the public about Emergency Management and preparation for emergency events. Members also assist with a number of special events throughout the year, including the following:

- Homer Fest
- Homer Harvest Days
- Earth Day Arbor Day (EDAD)
- Household Hazardous Waste Collection
- Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony
- Electronic Recycling / Paper Shredding Event
- Mike Hike 5k



LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT

Will County
Sheriff

WILL COUNTY SHERIFF

The Village of Homer Glen and the Will County Sheriff's Office have an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) that provides for police services to the Village. The Will County Sheriff's Office has proudly provided police services to the Village of Homer Glen since its incorporation. The Will County Sheriff's Office strives to work closely with Village leadership and the residents in the protection of life and property. The Sheriff's Office enforces all State laws and various Village Codes.



Staffing:

- 3 Deputy Sheriff Sergeants (each working 56-hour positions);
- 16 Deputy Sheriffs--(2 alternating teams on day shift and 2 alternating teams on night shift; each Deputy working 12 hour shifts, totaling 80 hours over a two (2) week period), and
- 1 Deputy Sheriff traffic non-relief position.
- 1 Lieutenant is assigned to oversee the police operations on a daily basis.

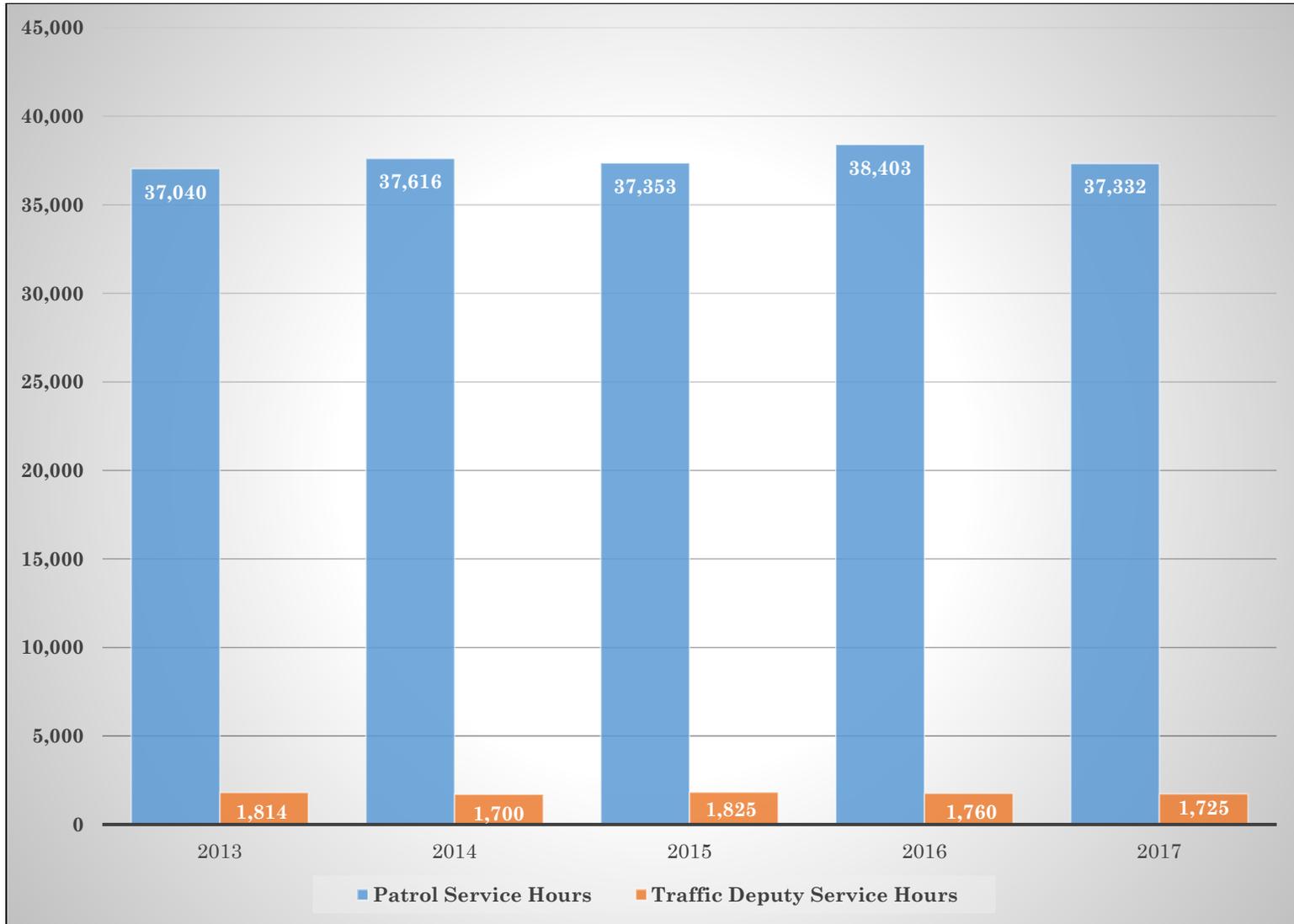
It should be noted that the Sheriff's Office adds additional support that is not charged for in the IGA, including the following: evidence-crime scene investigations, lab costs, SWAT-Negotiations unit, special investigations units, warrant unit, traffic division (accident reconstruction), K-9 unit, bicycle unit and overtime.

A Sheriff's Office substation is located inside Village Hall at 14240 W. 151st Street. The Homer Glen Sub-Station is not continuously manned. This unmanned sub-station serves as a place for assigned personnel to file reports, meet with residents or those wishing to file a report, etc. The primary offices for the Will County Sheriff are located in facilities throughout downtown Joliet, as well as the Laraway Road facility, located roughly 12.5 miles south of Homer Glen. These primary county-wide facilities are where the majority of the enforcement, detention and investigation functions are housed.

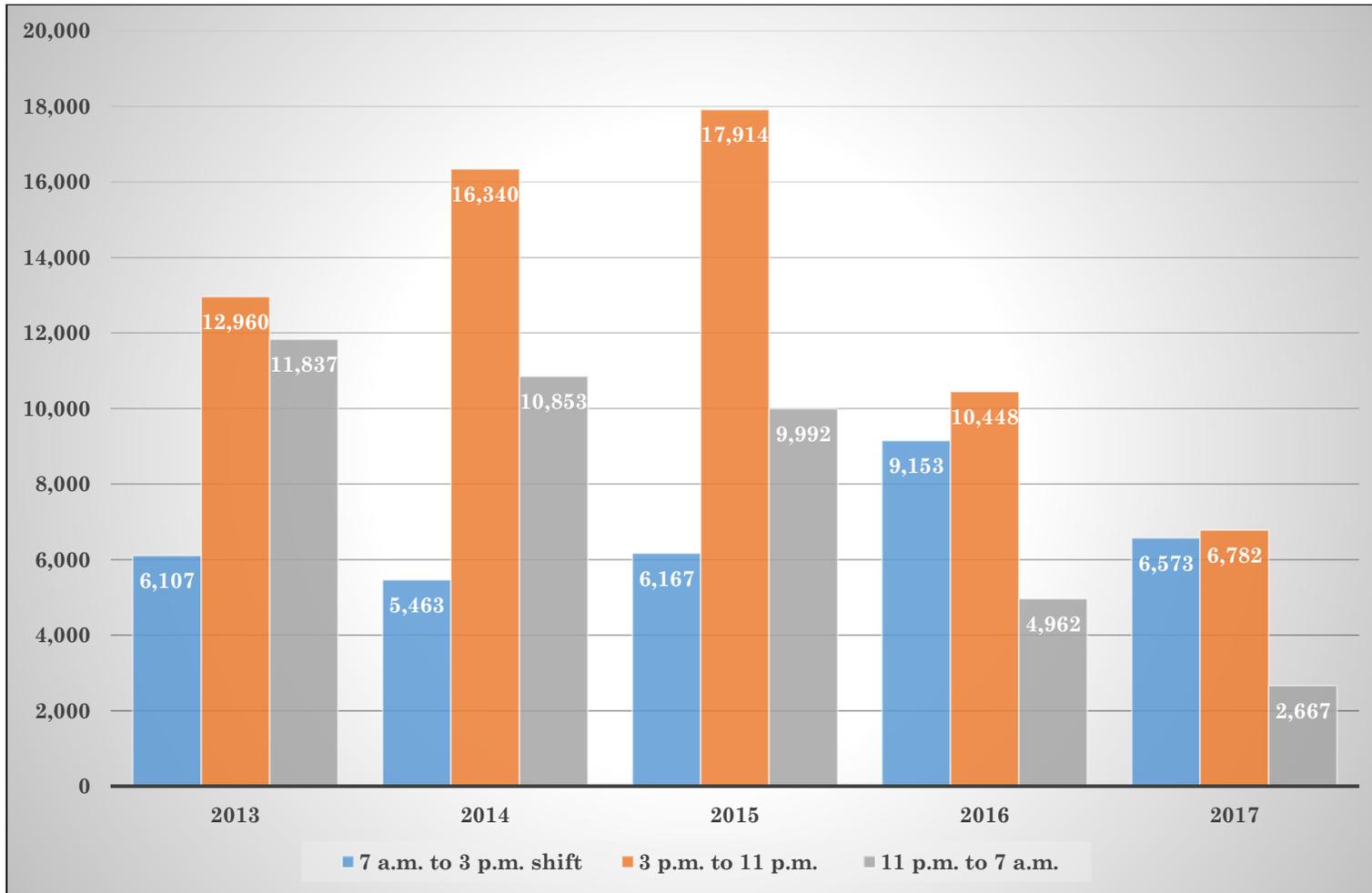
WILL COUNTY SHERIFF CONTINUED...

Communication between the Village and Sheriff's Office is a continuous and imperative aspect of the success of the law enforcement services contract. A variety of internal reporting expectations exist on a daily, monthly and annual basis. Daily logs are maintained by assigned personnel and are available at the Village's request, per the IGA. The assigned Lieutenant submits a monthly report to the Mayor and Village Trustees, detailing call activity, service hours, traffic crashes and enforcement, and code enforcement. Furthermore, the assigned Lieutenant is responsible for submitting an annual report to the Village, which entails an overview and trend analysis of reported crimes and calls for service, and overview of traffic safety special details and considerations for subsequent years. Finally, the assigned Lieutenant is present to report at the bi-monthly Village Board meetings.

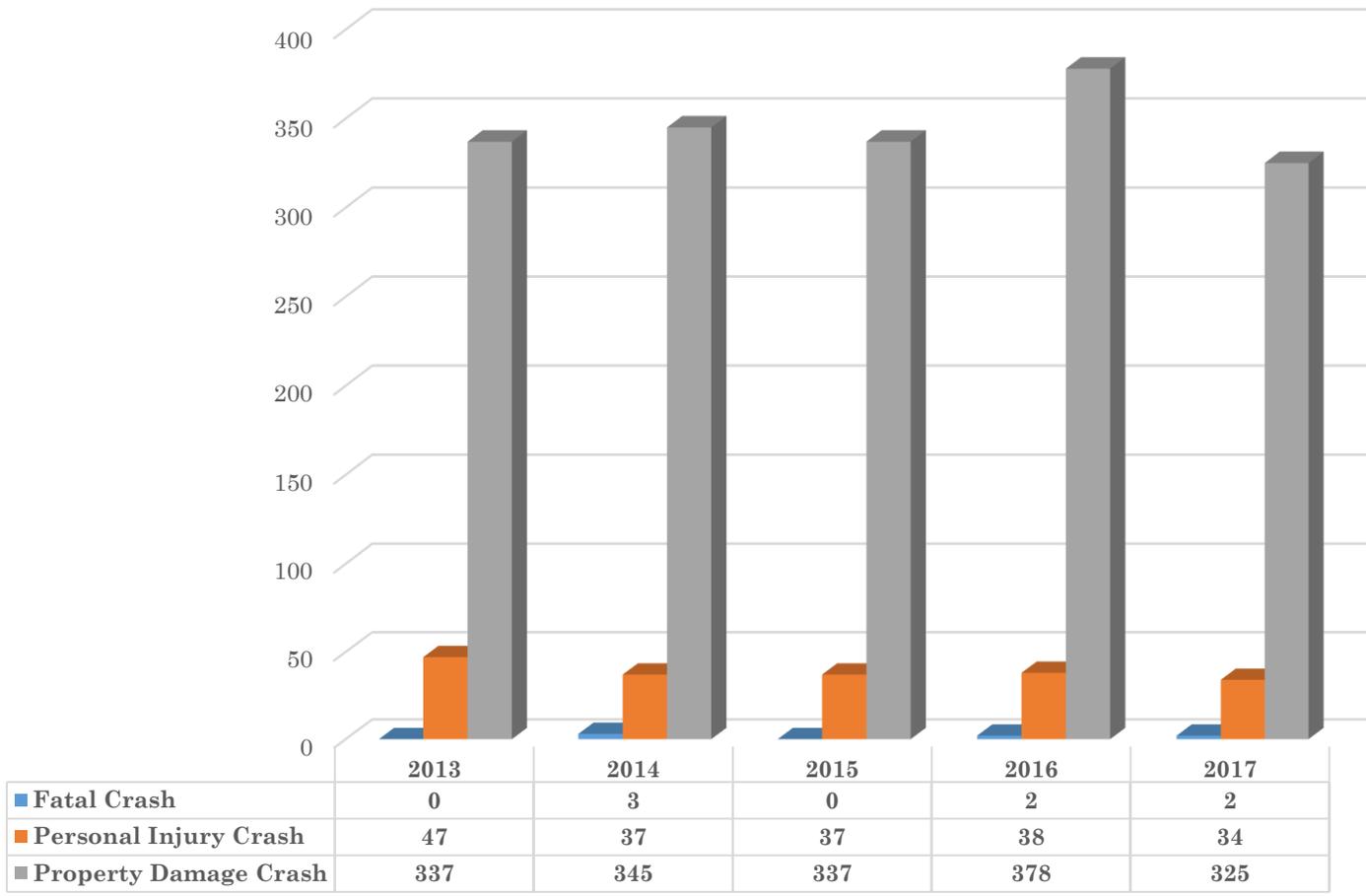
Will County Sheriff Homer Glen Enforcement Hours



Will County Sheriff Homer Glen Calls for Service

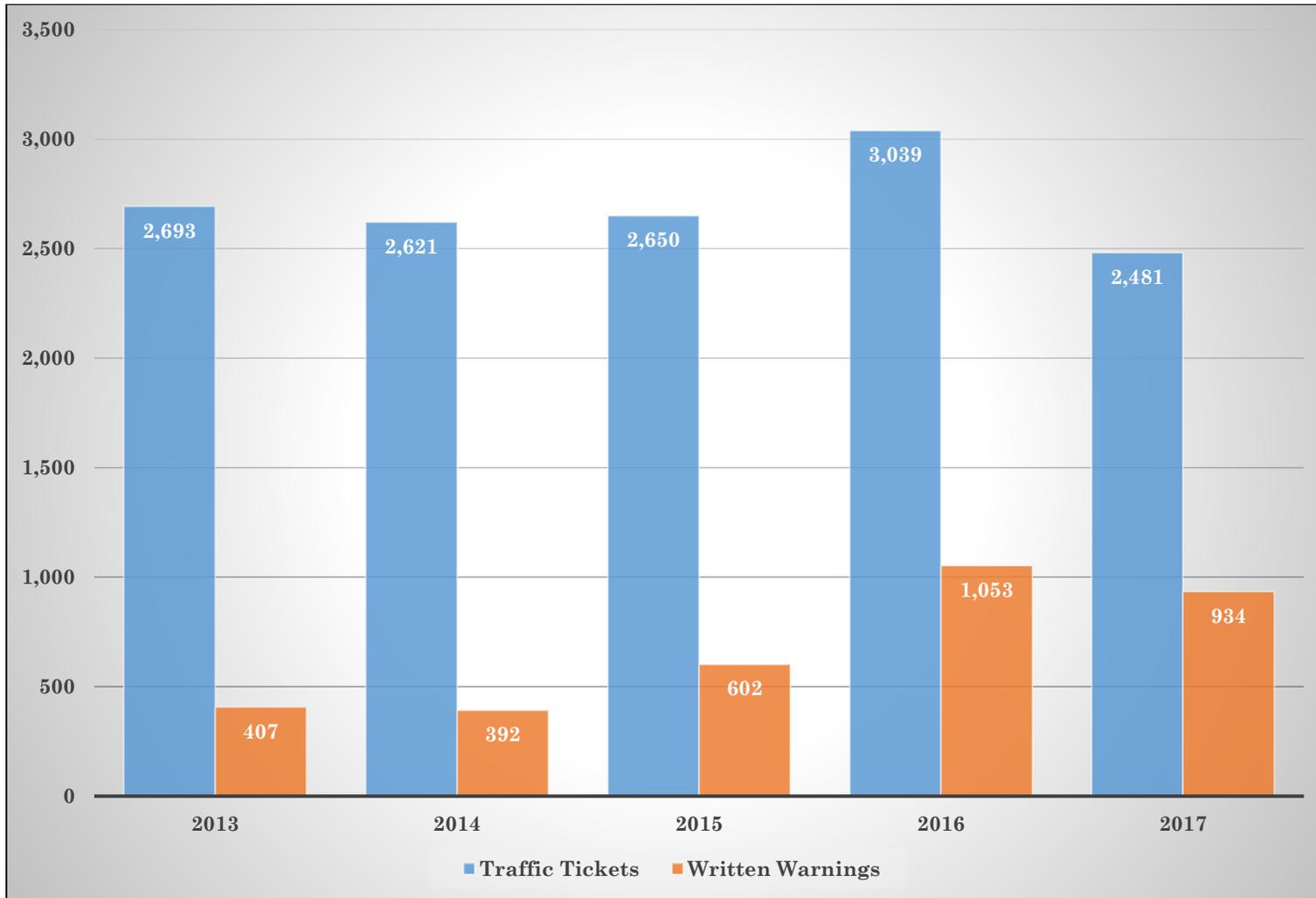


Traffic Crashes 2013-2017



■ Fatal Crash ■ Personal Injury Crash ■ Property Damage Crash

Will County Sheriff Homer Glen Traffic Tickets and Warnings



WILL COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Health Department

The Will County Health Department performs food establishment inspections for businesses serving food within the Village. The Will County Health Department's mission is to prevent disease and promote a healthier environment for all of its residents, business operators and visitors. This agency of professionally trained staff work cohesively to assure public health and safety measures are maintained through services and programs the Department provides based on the needs of the community they serve.

Senior Services

Senior Services of Will County is a 501c3 nonprofit organization that seeks to assist seniors to live safe, healthy and independent lives through its programs and services. The organization assists with the coordination of care services, home maintenance, transportation, tax preparation, financial planning, learning opportunities and much more. Senior Services of Will County also acts as the representative of the Illinois Department of Aging within its member communities.

Will County Land Use Department

The Will County Land Use Department provides planning, building and other community development functions for unincorporated areas within Will County. Prior to incorporation, residents utilized the Will County Land Use Department for these services.

WillCountyGreen.com

WillCountyGreen.com was launched on November 15, 2010, as part of the educational efforts of the Will County Energy Efficiency Strategy with funding from the U.S. Department of Energy, through the Will County Land Use Department. The website's mission is to offer information to residents of all ages, businesses, schools and community groups. This information provides techniques to reduce energy consumption and provides examples of numerous ways anyone can do more to 'green' their life.

Will County Animal Control

The Village entered into an intergovernmental agreement with Will County for the provision of animal control services. Per the agreement, the Village is billed for call outs on a monthly basis. When the Village receives the invoice from Will County for any animal captures in Homer Glen, a ticket is issued to the owner of the animal in an effort to recapture the fees associated with the call out.

Will County CED

The Will County Center for Economic Development (CED) is a 501(c)6 not-for profit development corporation established in 1981. The core mission of the CED is assisting in the retention, expansion and recruitment of business and industry to Will County, Illinois.

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS*

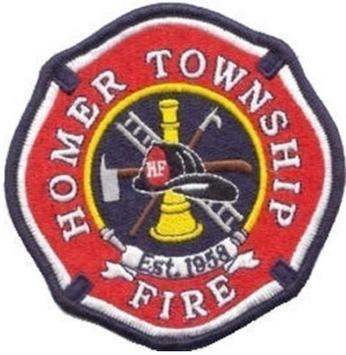
Homer Township Fire Protection District

Northwest Homer Fire Protection District

New Lenox Fire Protection District

Mokena Fire Protection District

*The Orland Fire Protection District also services three (3) residential properties within the Village of Homer Glen.



HOMER TOWNSHIP FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Homer Fire Protection was established in 1958 with an appointment of a three person board of Trustees. The District operates three fire stations. Station 1 is located at 16050 S. Cedar Rd. in Homer Township. Station 2 is located at 16131 S. Bell Rd. in Homer Glen. Station 3 is located at 16415 W. 151st St. in Lockport. The District encompasses 22 square miles.

Staffing:

Administrative Assistant

Fire Chief

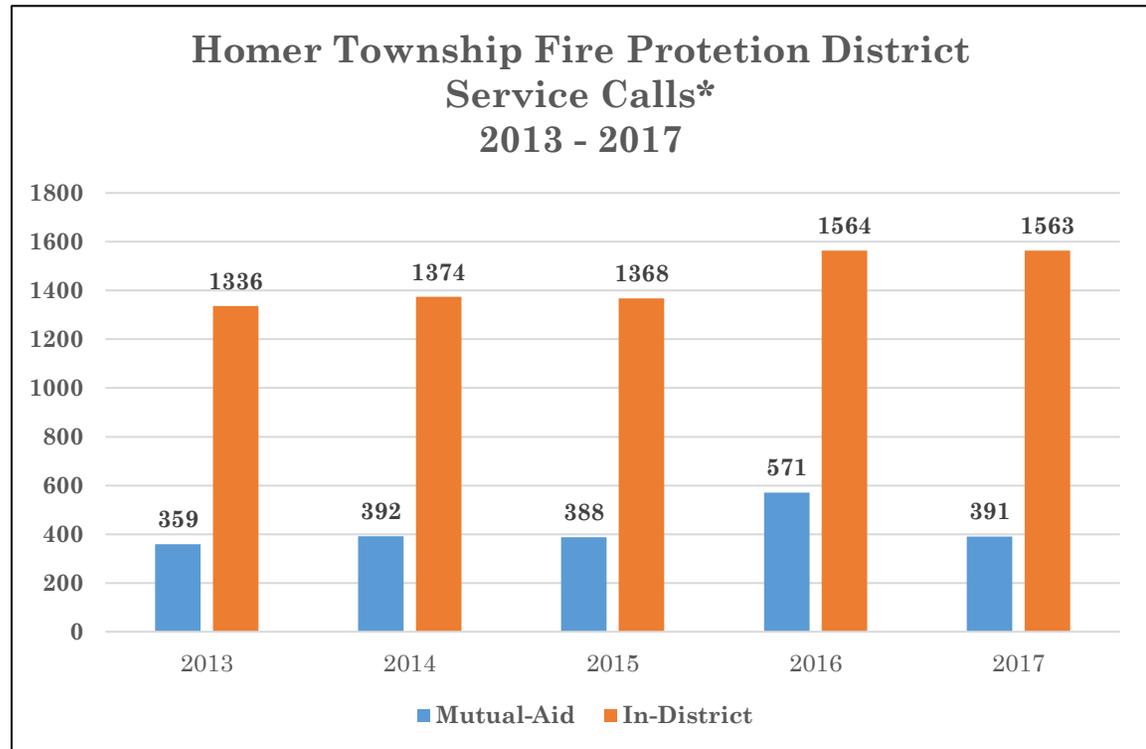
Battalion Chief (3)

Division Chief of Fire Prevention

Captains (3)

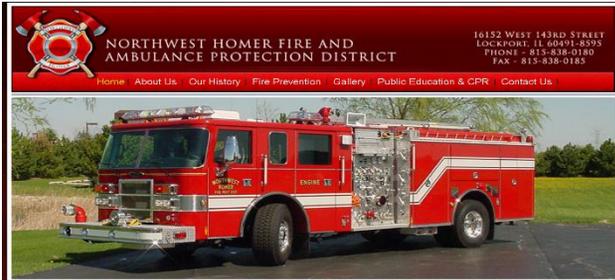
Lieutenants (6)

Firefighters/Paramedics (27)



*The service call data reflects the number of calls the district responded to for the five-year period; however, many of the calls required additional equipment and manpower.

NORTHWEST HOMER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT



On February 5, 1952, John J. Loughlin filed not-for-profit papers with the Secretary of State’s Office forming the Northwest Homer Volunteer Fire Department. The District operates two fire stations. Station 1 is located at 16152 W. 143rd St in Homer Township. Station 2 is located at 13010 W. 143rd St. in Homer Glen. The District encompasses 10 square miles.

Staffing:

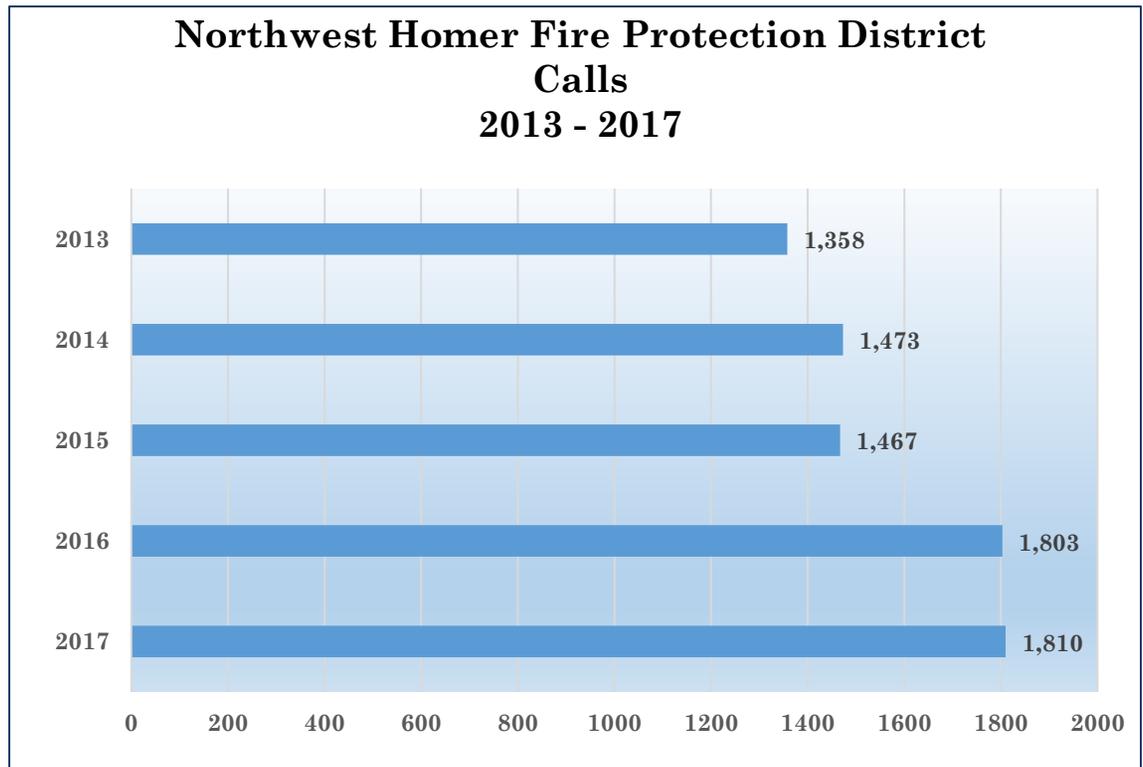
Chief

Deputy Chief

Firefighters/Paramedics (24)

Secretary (FT)

Secretary (PT)





NEW LENOX FIRE DISTRICT

In October 1940, by a special election, the New Lenox Fire Protection District was formed. The District operates four fire stations. Station 1 is located at 261 E. Maple St. in New Lenox. Station 2 is located at 1205 N. Cedar Rd. in New Lenox. Station 3 is located at 930 Country Creek Dr. in New Lenox. Station 4 is located at 19819 S. Schoolhouse Rd. in New Lenox. The District encompasses 36 square miles.

Staffing:

Fire Chief

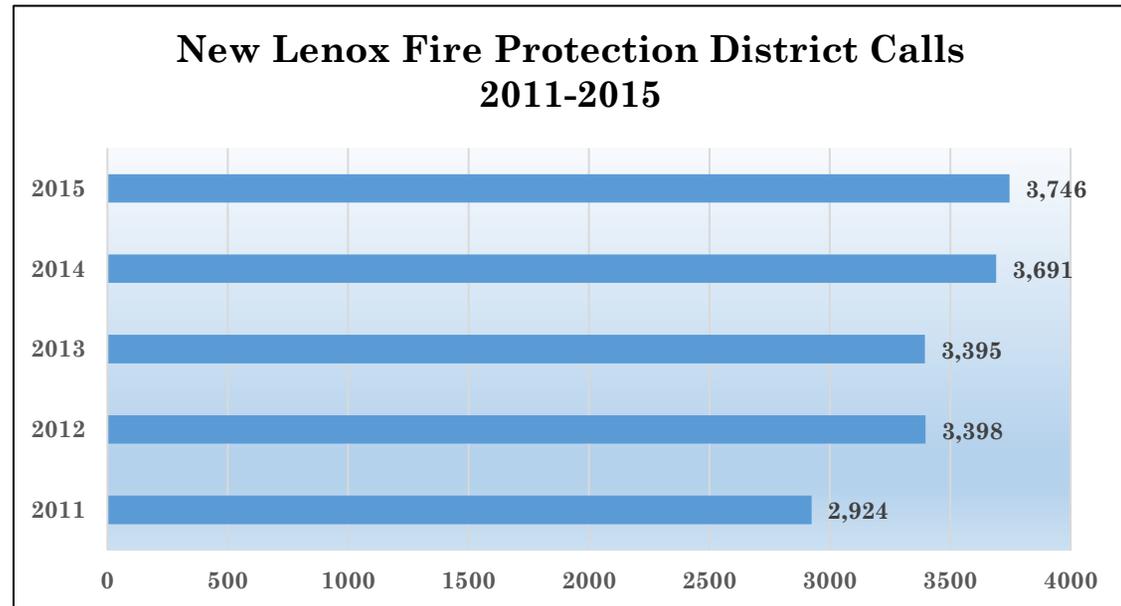
Firefighters (45)

On-Call Members (5)

Administrative Assistant

Human Resources Assistant

Life Safety Public Education
Coordinator





MOKENA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

On July 19, 1962, an election was held and the creation of the Fire Protection District was passed almost unanimously. The District operates three fire stations. Station 1 is located at 19853 S. Wolf Rd. in Mokena. Station 2 is located at 10000 W. 191st St. in Mokena. Station 3 is located at 10855 W. 183rd St. in Mokena. The District encompasses 12.5 square miles.

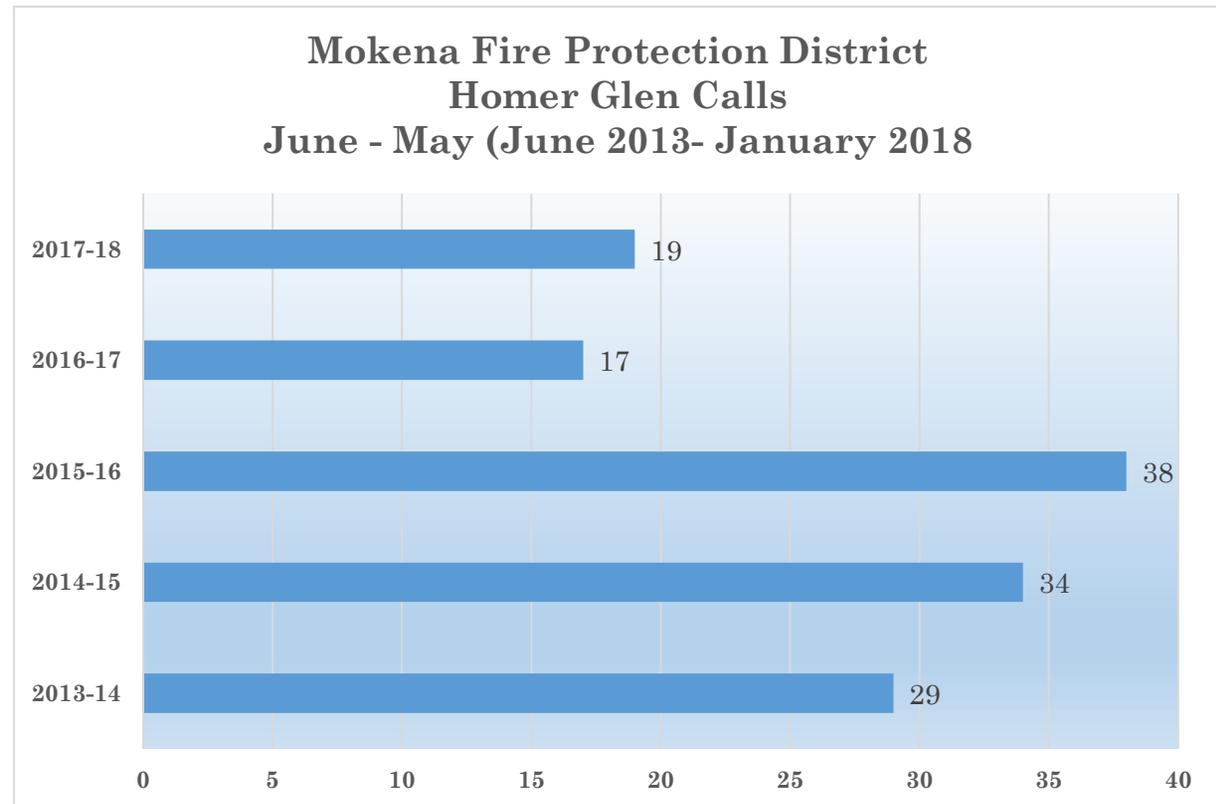
Staffing:

Fire Chief

Assistant Fire Chief

Firefighters (34)

Secretaries (2)



PUBLIC EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

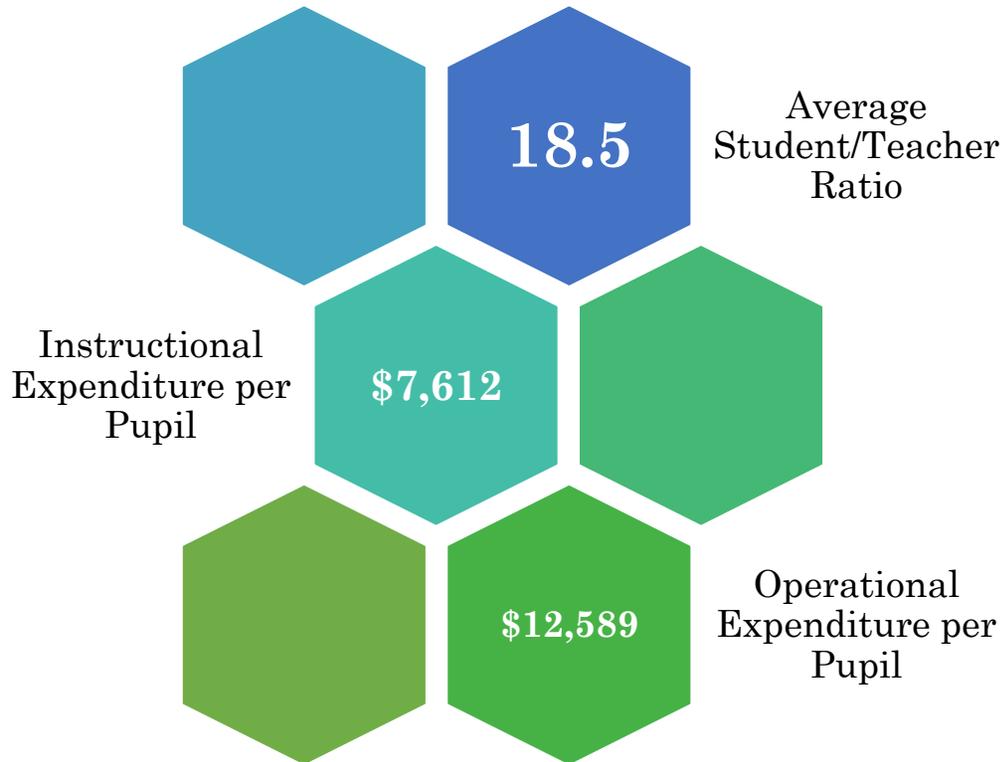
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School District 33C

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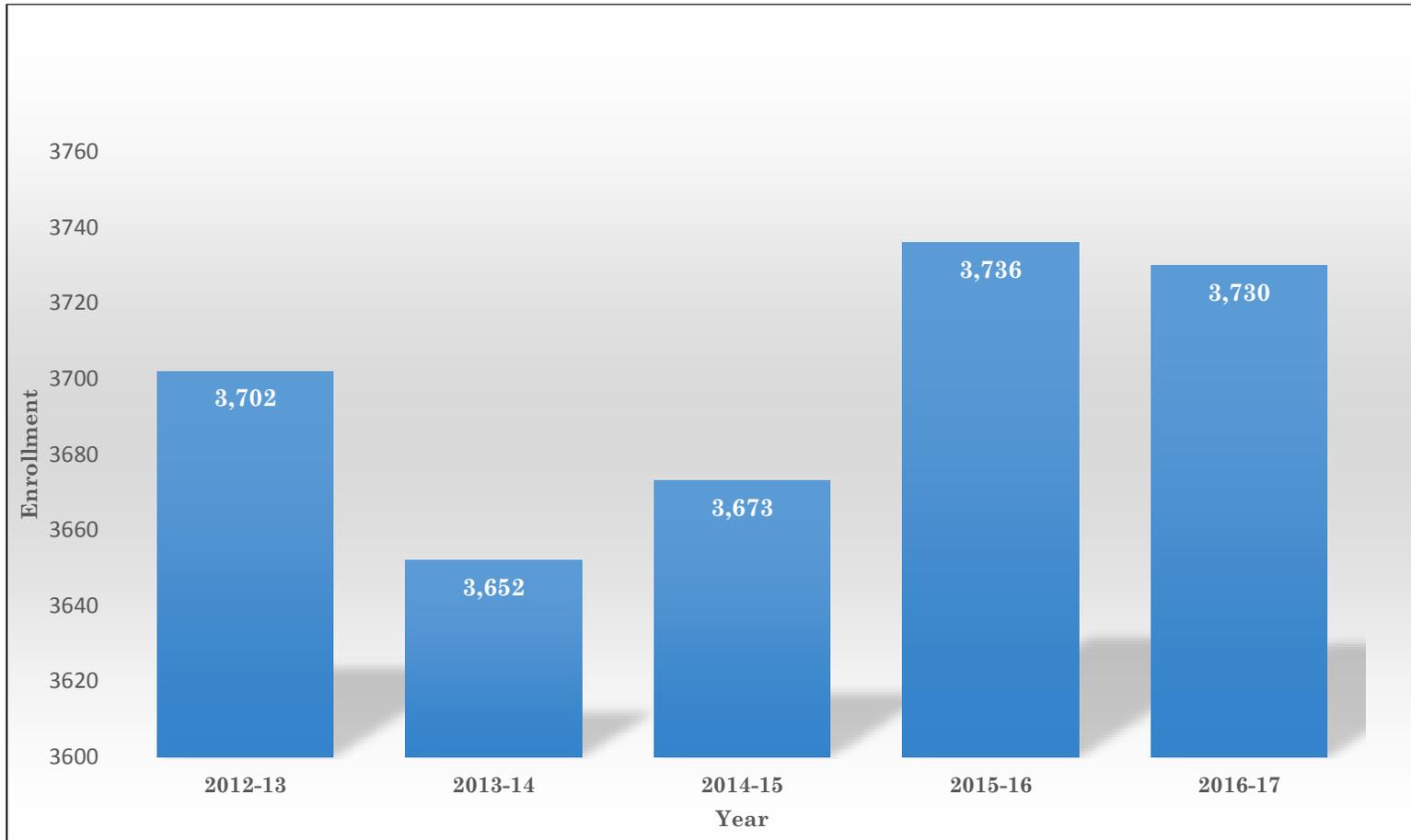
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HOMER COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 33C

| District 33C Schools | | |
|----------------------|---|---------|
| School Name | Address | Grades |
| Goodings Grove | 12914 W. 143 rd Street, Homer Glen | 1-4 |
| Hadley Middle School | 15731 Bell Road, Homer Glen | 5-6 |
| William Butler | 1900 Farrell Road, Lockport | 1-4 |
| Luther J Schilling | 16025 Cedar Road, Homer Glen | K & 1-4 |
| William E. Young | 16240 S. Cedar Road, Lockport | 1-4 |
| Homer Jr. High | 15711 Bell Road, Homer Glen | 7-8 |

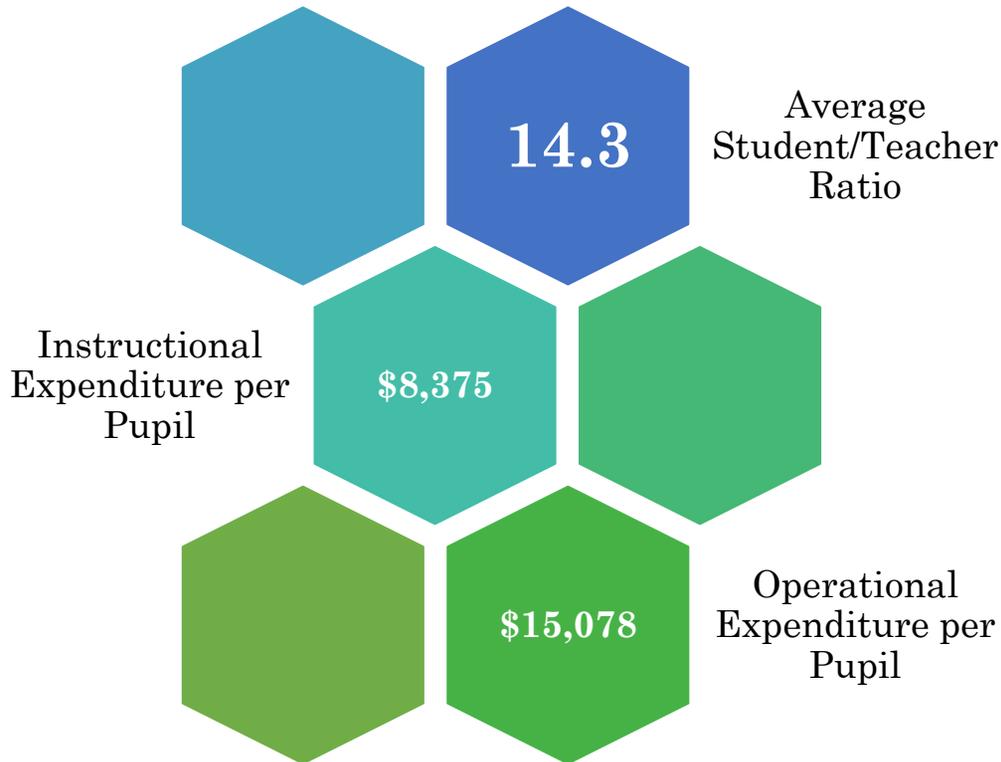


Homer Community Consolidated School District 33C Enrollment

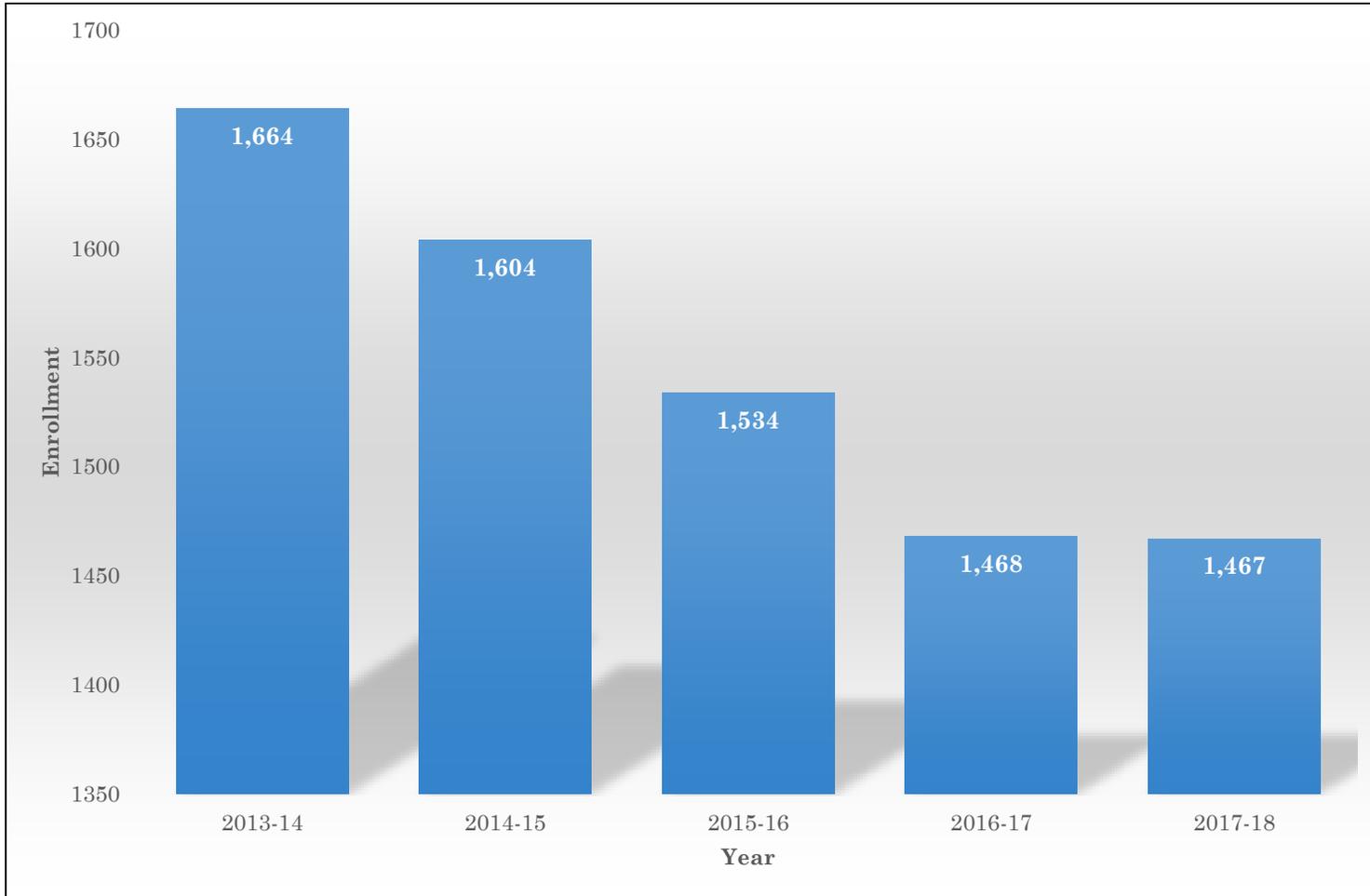


WILL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 92

| District 92 Schools | | |
|-------------------------|---|------------|
| School Name | Address | Grades |
| Oak Prairie Junior High | 15161 S. Gougar Road, Homer Township | 6-8 |
| Ludwig School | 710 N. State Street, Lockport | 4-5 |
| Reed School | 14939 W. 143 rd Street, Homer Glen | 2-3 |
| Walsh School | 514 MacGregor Street, Lockport | Pre-K, K-1 |



Will County School District 92 Enrollment

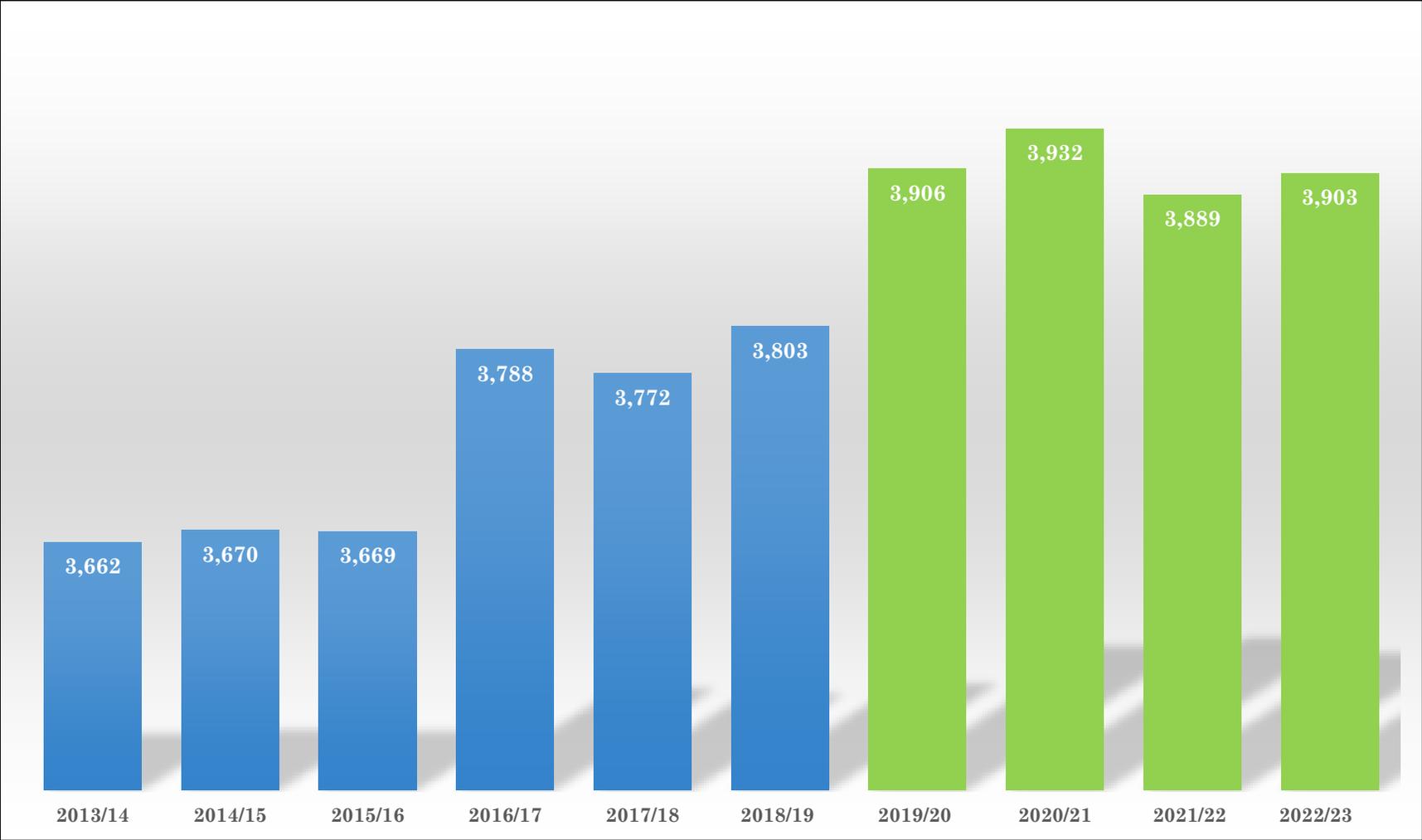


LOCKPORT TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 205

| Lockport Township High School District 205 | | | | | | | |
|--|--------|------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|---|---|
| | Grades | Enrollment | Student/ Teacher Ratio | Full Time Teachers | Ranking | Instructional Expenditure per Pupil | Operational Expenditure per Pupil |
| District-Wide | 9-12 | 3,712 | 23.1 | 199 | 71 in the State of IL | \$8,140.00 | \$13,514 |



Lockport Township High School District 205 Enrollment*

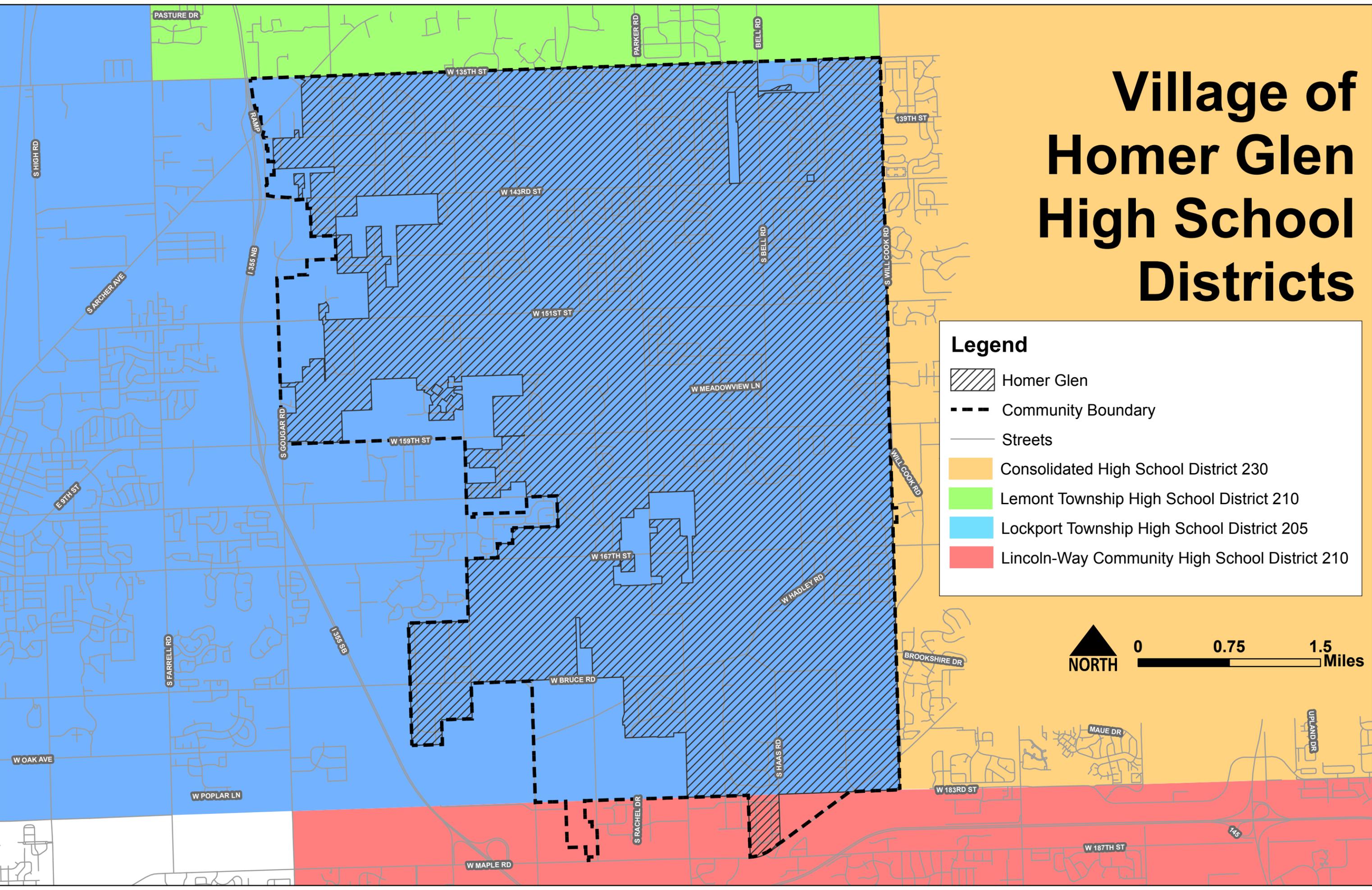
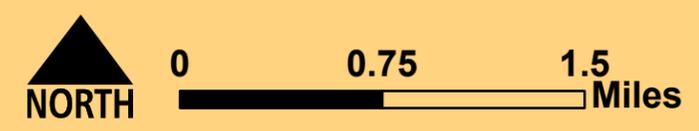


*Projected enrollment numbers for the next five years are calculated from feeder school enrollment information.

Village of Homer Glen High School Districts

Legend

-  Homer Glen
-  Community Boundary
-  Streets
-  Consolidated High School District 230
-  Lemont Township High School District 210
-  Lockport Township High School District 205
-  Lincoln-Way Community High School District 210



Public Library

Homer Township Public Library District

HOMER TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY



The Homer Township Public Library was established by referendum, as a taxing District in 1983, after first being initiated in 1982 as a state funded Project Plus Library. The Library District is governed by a Board of Trustees, consisting of seven elected members, who serve without compensation. The Executive Director manages the day-to-day operations of the Library. The library service area encompasses 36-square miles of Homer Township (39,000 residents) in the district and in Homer Glen. The library is proud to serve as the information hub and lifelong learning center for the community. Residents of all ages find information for personal use and enjoyment, along with an excellent staff to assist them. Homer residents use the library as a vital community center that provides quality classes, cultural and educational programming and events, study rooms, books, resources, CDs, DVDs, free databases, bookmobile, 24/7 locker pickup, and literacy initiatives. The library adds great value to the Homer community.

Mission Statement

The purpose of the Homer Township Public Library District is to serve the informational, cultural, and educational needs of all Homer residents, regardless of age, sex, educational background, race or creed.

Financial

The Homer Twp. Library District accounts for only 1.8% of a resident's tax bill. Operating in a fiscally conservative manner, we proactively pursue grants, sponsorships, special fundraisers, and awards that benefit our community and support library operations.

HOMER TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY CONTINUED...

Statistics

300-500+ visitors daily

643+ items checked out daily

- **Customers** **3.5%** increase with **106,087** physical visitors this past fiscal year
- **Circulation** **5%** increase – on average, residents take out **643** items daily or **218,189** items a year
- **Programs** **13%** increase with **18,406** visitors attending **768** programs this past year
- **Computers** **63%** increase with **29,542** public internet users (80+ each day)
- **Collection** The library collection contains **129,356** items (books, CDs, etc.).
- **Staff Service** **25,688** reference questions were answered by librarians this past year

Building size - 26,497 Square Feet

In 2013, the library self-funded (after 10 years of conservative budget management) a bond to undertake an expansion of 12,000 sf and a complete renovation of existing space. This effectively doubled the size of the library and added 6 study rooms, a quiet reading room, community room, teen area, 24 public computers, expanded seating and collection areas for residents use, and a copy center. The expansion was dedicated to public space. The renovation of the original library is now youth services with expanded seating, sunroom, family booth areas, and activity room, technical services, office and storage space.

HOMER TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY CONTINUED...

Staff

30 employees (reduced from 35)

Hours

Open 7 days a week, over 70 hours per week

Monday-Thursday 8:30am – 9pm

Friday 10am-4pm

Saturday 10am-3pm

Sunday 4-8pm (Sept-May)

Technology

24 public computers in adult services

6 AWE computer workstations hold 70+ educational programs for preschool/elementary children

4 iPads & 3 additional computers anchor youth services

Print on Demand & Copy Center

Wi-Fi

Bookmobile

The custom built Bookmobile holds 5,000 items and features a wheelchair lift, raised ceiling, and a diesel engine and generator. Homer Library received a \$150,000 grant award in 2005 to build the customized bus. Designed to meet the needs of all age groups and interests, the “traveling library” carries a wide variety of popular fiction and nonfiction books. Magazines, CDs and DVDs are also on board.



HOMER TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY CONTINUED...

The Bookmobile travels the 36-square mile library district weekly to neighborhoods, area schools, senior villages, day care and after school youth, and is featured at several community events throughout the year. We proudly provide library service to people in the community who are unserved or underserved due to physical, economic, social, geographic, or other barriers. The bookmobile encourages library use, reading, and lifelong learning. A dedicated staff provides personal service.

Homer Library is a:

- Neighborhood enrichment center and community social destination.
- Haven where information can be freely accessed by everyone.
- Place to study and learn; relax and enjoy; browse and let imaginations soar.
- Place that connects you to a world of intellectual thought and accurate information.
- Convenient place to visit, seven days a week, and promote personal success and inspiration.



Thriving Community Asset

Libraries continue to thrive and are constantly changing to meet community needs. Celebrating 35 years as a vital part of the Homer community makes us very proud. Homer Library enriches the quality of life for all residents and offers a big return on investment.

Other Community Organizations

Places of Worship

Health Services

Senior Services

Senior Housing

PLACES OF WORSHIP

| Places of Worship in Homer Glen | |
|--|--|
| Name | Address |
| New Life Community Church | 14832 W. 163 rd St., Homer Glen |
| Saint Bernard's Catholic Church | 13030 W. 143 rd St., Homer Glen |
| Cross of Glory Lutheran Church | 14719 W. 163 rd St., Homer Glen |
| Vivekananda Vedanta Society of Chicago | 14630 Lemont Rd., Homer Glen |
| Our Mother of Good Counsel | 16043 S. Bell Rd., Homer Glen |
| Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church | 14610 S. Will Cook Rd., Homer Glen |
| Christian Life Church | 15609 W. 159 th St., Homer Glen |
| Parkview Christian Church | 14367 W. 159 th St., Homer Glen |

URGENT MEDICAL CARE CENTERS

Silver Cross Health & Emergency Care Center

12701 W. 143rd Street

Homer Glen, IL 60491

- Full range of emergency medical services for families of all ages.



Loyola Center for Health at Homer Glen

15750 Marian Drive

Homer Glen, IL 60491

- Primary care doctors and specialists who treat adults and children in areas of expertise.
- Immediate care for patients who don't need to visit an emergency room.



HOSPITALS

Hospitals are listed in order by the distance from the Village Hall. There are no hospitals located within the Village of Homer Glen.

SILVER CROSS HOSPITAL (7 miles from Village Hall)

1900 Silver Cross Boulevard
New Lenox, IL 60451

PALOS COMMUNITY HOSPITAL (Over 9 miles from Village Hall)

12251 S. 80th Avenue
Palos Heights, IL 60463

ADVENTIST LA GRANGE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL (Over 14 miles from Village Hall)

5101 S. Willow Springs Road
LaGrange, IL 60525

PROVENA SAINT JOSEPH HOSPITAL (Over 16 miles from Village Hall)

333 N. Madison Street
Joliet, IL 60435

EDWARD HOSPITAL (Over 20 miles from Village Hall)

801 S. Washington Street
Naperville, IL 60540



Senior Housing / Assisted Living

Founder's Crossing



Founders Crossing
14800 S. Bell Road
Homer Glen, IL 60491

Marian Village
15624 Marian Drive
Homer Glen, IL 60491

Victorian Village
12600 W. Renaissance Circle
Homer Glen, IL 60491

Marian Village



Victorian Village

