Neighborhood Planning & Improvement Program

The City is seeking feedback about your neighborhood and what can be done to improve it. The Neighborhood Planning and Improvement Program aims to collect input from residents to improve the City's services and responsiveness to neighborhood issues and to help identify and prioritize capital improvement needs.

Please visit the City's website collinsvilleil.org or scan the QR code to take the survey. Your time and input is valued and appreciated!

Survey Link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NIS





Program Goals

construction update - see page 2

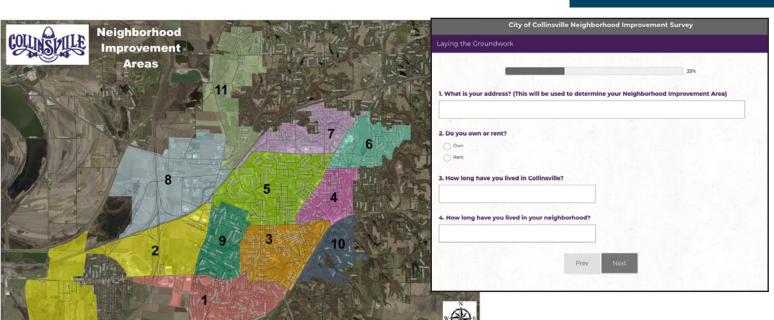
Connect residents & city

Receive feedback & input from residents on several criteria impacting their neighborhood

Improve the appearance and functionality of our neighborhoods

> Improve customer service and city responsiveness to neighborhood issues







Woodland Park - Under Construction



If you have been to Woodland Park recently, you have noticed quite a bit of construction happening. The Collinsville Parks and Recreation Department, along with the City's Street Department have begun construction on new pavilions and play structures.

The current Rotary Playground is approximately 20 years old and is lacking a play structure that will accommodate a currently underserved age group of children who come to visit our parks.

"The new playground will serve kids ages 2 to 5 and 5 to 12. We don't have any playgrounds currently in our park system that serve children aged 2 to 5 so we are looking forward to adding this and giving that play opportunity to the younger children," Kimberly Caughran, Parks and Recreation Director said.



Total cost for the play structures is \$176,970 with \$86,372 coming from a Madison County Park Enhancement Program Grant.

The timeline for completion of the two playgrounds is fall of 2022. Caughran said the current playground will not be taken down until the new structure is to be installed.

This project is just a small portion of a large plan to revitalize Woodland Park in order give the residents the best facilities possible.

"We are excited to see the continued improvements in our parks as these enrichments directly impact our residents



as well as those who visit. We have a great parks and rec staff, and the City taking over management of the parks a couple of years ago has returned fantastic benefits to our citizens," City Councilman Tony Hausmann said. "We also greatly appreciate the donation by the Rotary Club of the wheelchair swing and their continual support and service to the community. There is more to come."



Previously, the City Council approved the construction of five pavilions and a new amphitheater to replace aging facilities. Construction has begun during the summer months starting with the concrete foundations of the pavilions.

Other activity at the park includes major improvements to Fletcher Field such as new grass and sod, repair of the scoreboard, new pitchers' mound and a backstop net. With these improvements Fletcher Park will be able to provide a great place for the Collinsville High School Baseball team to play and practice. We would like to thank CUSD10 for their partnership during this process and the Collinsville High School Baseball Booster Club for installing the new backstop net.



2022 Green Recognition Program Call for Nominations!

In 2021, the City of Collinsville started a Green Recognition Program to spotlight businesses and organizations who have gone above and beyond to conserve resources, reduce environmental impacts, and establish sustainable practices in their daily operations. Last year we spotlighted the efforts at Dorris Intermediate School, DejaVu Kidz, and Old Herald Distillery & Brewery.

We are looking for nominations for 2022! In addition to businesses and organizations, this year we are widening the scope of nominees to include individuals! The nominees will be reviewed by the Collinsville Cool Cities Committee to review the overall sustainable efforts being made. Those making the biggest impact will be spotlighted by the City in a video, and the nominee making the biggest impact will be honored during the C3 Community Awards in November! For more

information on how to nominate a business, organization, or individual, please go to Collinsvilleil.org/greenrecognition.



RECYCLE IT RESPONSIBLY!



ACCEPTABLE ITEMS: ANYTHING WITH A CORD, ALL TV MODELS, HOME ELECTRONICS, COMPUTERS& MONITORS SMALL APPLIANCES, AIR CONDITIONERS, WASHER/DRYERS, DISHWASHERS, REFRIGERATORS, FURNACES, LAWN EQUIPMENT, LEAD ACID BATTERIES

JOIN US ON THESE 2022 COLLECTION DATES!

SEPTEMBER 17 8AM-2:30PM OCTOBER 22 8AM-2:30PM

COLLECTIONS WILL BE HELD AT CJD E-CYCLING

5257 N. STATE RT. 157 | EDWARDSVILLE, IL

NON-ACCEPTABLE ITEMS: BUSINESS AND CONTRACTOR WASTE, PAINT, HAZARDOUS WASTE, BATTERIES, OILS, FIRE EXTINGUISHERS, PROPANE TANKS, OXYGEN TANKS, DVDS VHSS, CDS, CASSETTE TAPES, PCB, BALLASTS, DEVICES CONTAINING MERCURY, SMOKE DETECTORS.

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APPOINTMENTS REQUIRED

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OR SCAN THE QR CODE

(OPEN PHONE CAMERA AND POINT TO SCAN CODE)





BULK TRASH PICK-UP

Republic Services provides a free pick-up of large items and appliances for residents twice each year.

Please contact Republic Services at:

(618) 656-6883 or WWW.REPUBLICSERVICES.COM to schedule your pick-up.

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS: Appliances, Carpet(cut into bundles no longer than 4' in length and 3' in diameter and weighing less than 50lbs. per bundle), Furniture including couches, chairs, dressers, tables, desks, mattress sets. Glass portions of doors/windows must be broken down and placed into small box marked "GLASS".

YARD WASTE PICK-UP

Republic Services offers Yard Waste Pick-up Service for Collinsville residents.

3 months of yard waste service is \$55.32
Please contact Republic Services at:
(618) 656-6883 or WWW.REPUBLICSERVICES.COM
to start service.



UPCOMING EVENTS

JUL 9-10 Artistic Rubber Stamp Show

JUL 24 Gateway Wedding Show

Silow

JUL 29-30 Railroad Prototype
Modelers Meet

AUG 24 American Cancer Society Farm To

Table

AUG 12-14 National Train Show

SEP 9 Be The Change Women's Conference

Gatewaycenter.com

New Sound System at Bank Barn



Willoughby Farm's Bank Barn now has a complete sound system available for use with barn rentals. The system includes the use of a wireless microphone for weddings or events, as well as the ability to Bluetooth music from your own device.

BOOK YOUR NEXT SPECIAL OCCASION AT WILLOUGHBY FARM! Be sure to visit our website at Collinsvilleil.org or call 618-977-0941 for rental prices.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED!

WEDNESDAY WORKDAYS @ Willoughby Farm - 9am - 1pm

PARKS-IN-ACTION

1st Saturdays from 9am-noon Call to request individual or group opportunities.





SAVE THE DATE

DECEMBER 7, 2022

Gateway Convention Center

29th Anniversary

www.festivaloftrees.info

This years event will benefit these three local charities:













Main Street - Collinsville September 16 + 17



July 7

Movie at the Aqua Park Christmas in July showing Elf

July 15

Moonlight Movie - location and title TBD

July 24

Basic Horse Care Class at Willoughby Farm

July 15

Christmas Parade Participant Applications begin to be accepted

August 12

Moonlight Movie - location and title TBD

August 12

Basic Horse Care Class at Willoughby Farm

September 7

Tunes at Blum

September 14

Tunes at Blum

September 28

Tunes at Blum







July 24 1-4:30pm

For the couple that just got engaged, or the event planner starting off his/her career, the show will feature everything you need. For those who are just looking for fresh ideas and inspiration, there will be plenty of new ideas on display.

The Gateway Wedding Show takes the stress out of planning your next event! In just a few hours, you can meet more vendors than you could visit in a month. We bring you a face-to-face sampling of virtually everything you'll need to plan your perfect event!

FREE ADMISSION

SHOW FEATURES

- · 80+ Vendors
- · Food and Beverage Sampling
- · Wedding Decoration Showroom
- Live Fashion Show presented by Bridal Manor
- · Prize Give-a-ways



www.gatewayweddingshow.com

Woodland Park Tree Inventory

Arbor Day



Summit Elementary 2nd graders and members of the Community Appearance Board planting a red glory maple tree at Willoughby Farm during the 2022 Arbor Day celebration.



Winter creeper is a vigorous vine that takes over trees, chokes out other native plants, and causes loss of plant diversity in our woods.

Tree Inventory Project

Trees significantly contribute to the environmental and human health of the City and its residents. To better understand our tree resources within the City, the Parks & Recreation Department has undertaken the Tree Inventory Project, an effort to map, measure, and identify public trees across the City. Since 2019, over 1,250 trees have been catalogued and mapped at City parks, Willoughby Farm, Collinsville Agua Park, Gateway Convention Center. and along Main Street. The information collected includes the tree's location, species, and condition. The tree inventory provides guidance on which trees need maintenance in the form of pruning or removal and aids City staff in understanding the species distribution throughout the community, determining the amount of tree canopy within the community, and determining the quantity and location of vacant tree planting sites.

This information enables City staff to plan for a resilient future for our trees and avoid devastation from a single pest or disease.

VOLUNTARY TREE INVENTORY AND INVASIVE SPECIES IDENTIFICATION

Are you interested in knowing the type of trees on your property? Or do you need assistance identifying an invasive plant species on your property such as bush honey-suckle or winter creeper? The Parks & Recreation Department is offering a free site consultation to any interested resident within the city. Sign up by scanning the QR Code or visit the address below to register your property. Once an appointment has been made, a Parks & Recreation staff member will coordinate a visit to your property to inventory the trees on-site, identify any invasive species you may have, and provide guidance on effectively removing and replacing invasives with native plants. The trees inventoried on your property will be added to the City's Tree Inventory Project, which will be viewable on the City's GIS Public Access Portal.

WWW.COLLINSVILLEIL.ORG/TREEID





SCAN ME TO REGISTER YOUR PROPERTY!

While they can look like an attractive plant with their flowers and bright red berries, this plant is invasive and does not provide adequate food and habitat for birds, shades out native understory, and spreads rapidly throughout forests, making it one of the most invasive species throughout the Midwest.

Fire Department

SENIOR ASSISTANCE HELPLINE



A couple months ago, the Fire Department received a call from a senior resident needing some help after she had fallen and could not get herself up. Upon arrival, it was clear that she was in need of additional assistance. The Firefighters on scene contacted her grandson to discuss her need for a Life Alert button, as well a lift chair, some grab handles and other items to assist her in "aging in place". Knowing more could be done to help her, and others, the Firefighters began looking into organizations that might be able to provide this assistance.

Connecting with Faith in Action was pure luck. One of the Firefighters was driving Uptown on the day Faith in Action was



handing out brochures on Main Street. The Firefighter received a flyer and thought "this is exactly what we need". A meeting was held and now the Fire Department has a great partnership with the Faith in Action team to help provide necessary assistance to Collinsville's large population of seniors that want to age in place versus moving to assisted living.

The result is a campaign to get the word out to seniors that there is an organization to help them with things such as transportation, home maintenance and repair, yard work, shopping services, Medicare counseling, and even social activities. Magnets with this information were created and are being left with residents who can benefit from the program, and both Faith in Action and the Fire Department will be promoting the program via social media, local advertising, and in-person meetings with community groups.

The Collinsville Fire Department looks forward to working with Faith in Action and growing the program to help the citizens of our great community now and in the future. By providing our support



through more resources and assistance to those in need, we will be helping them continue living their independent lifestyle. CPR Classes are held on the first Wednesday of each month from 6-9 pm at Fire Station 1, 130 South Clinton.



The class consists of Infant, Youth & Adult CPR as well as an introduction to the AED (Automated External Defibrillator). The class does not include First Aid Certification; available First Aid classes can be found at cpr.heart.org

The cost is \$25 for City & Fire District residents and \$50 for nonresidents.

Our classes are "Heartsaver" through the American Heart Association and are not appropriate for Health Care Providers who need "BLS Provider" Certification. BLS Classes can be provided to groups of 6 or more upon request. Heartsaver classes can be provided to larger groups upon request as well (scouts, church groups businesses etc)

To register, send your name, home address, phone number and date you'd like to register for, to: tcarlson@collinsvilleil.org.

You will receive a confirmation and additional information by return email.

To set up a group class, contact Fracy Carlson at 618-346-5022 ext. 3141



Police Department



On June 09, 2022, Lt. Eric Owen, along with 253 law enforcement officers, graduated from the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia. The 282nd session

of the National Academy consisted of men and women from 47 states and the District of Columbia. In addition, the class included members of law enforcement agencies from 26 countries, four military organizations, and nine federal organizations.

Internationally known for its academic excellence, the National Academy offers 10 weeks advanced of communication, leadership. and fitness training. Participants must have proven records as professionals within their agencies to attend. On average, these officers have 21 years of law enforcement experience and usually return to their agencies to

serve in executive-level positions.

FBI Academy instructors, special agents, and other staff with advanced degrees provide the training, with many instructors being recognized internationally in their fields. FBI Director Christopher Wray delivered remarks at the ceremony.

Lt. Owen has been with the Collinsville Police Department for 23 years and is currently assigned to the Investigations Division.

NEW FACES AT COLLINSVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

On December 27th, 2021, Officers Brian Joy and Emily Briley, were sworn in by Mayor John Miller as the two newest police officers for the City of Collinsville. On April 22nd, 2022, both officers graduated from the Southwestern Illinois College Police Academy.

Following the police academy graduation, Officer Joy and Officer Briley began their 14 weeks in the Field Training Program where we will build upon the foundation they started in the police academy, with the goal of turning them into a well-rounded Collinsville Police Officer.

Welcome to Collinsville Officers Joy and Briley!





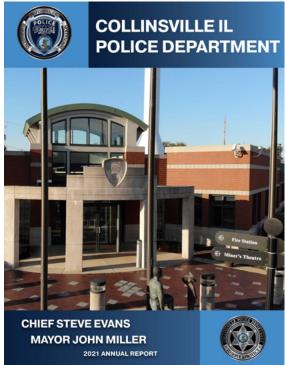
Brian Joy, 23, of Belleville, comes from a law enforcement family. His father has been a police officer for 22 years and currently serves as a Sergeant with the Shiloh, Illinois Police Department. Brian graduated from Western Illinois University in May 2021 with a bachelor's degree in Law Enforcement and Justice Administration.



Officer Brian Joy

Emily Briley, 27, of Lebanon, was most recently employed as a telecommunicator with the Illinois State Police where she served for four years.





VISIT COLLINSVILLEIL.ORG/POLICE TO VIEW/DOWNLOAD A COPY

2021 POLICE - ANNUAL REPORT

The Collinsville Police department has published its 2021 annual report. This report is intended to provide a general overview of crime trends in our community along with an overview of activities and accomplishments which lead directly to the safety of our community. The Collinsville Police Department is very proud of their entire professional staff and ask that you take a few minutes to look at their outstanding accomplishments.



SOUTHERN POLICE INSTITUTE - SGT. BRAD AKERS



On May 12, 2022, Sgt. Brad Akers graduated from the 147th Administrative Officers Course at the Southern Police Institute in

Louisville, Kentucky. He began this challenging journey on February 14, 2022, sacrificing time at home with his family to enhance his managerial and leadership skills.

Training of our management team is paramount to the success of the organization. Historically, we send officers to a 40-hour first line supervisor program prior to a promotion to the rank of Sergeant. Once promoted, all Sergeants are eventually sent to the Southern

Police Institute in the order they were promoted.

The Administrative Officers Course is a challenging twelve-week, accredited college level educational program. The course curriculum is designed to develop informed, effective, ethically and technically competent law enforcement managers who are capable of assuming positions of leadership in their respective agencies. It is an appropriate course for individuals in or about to be promoted to middle and upper management positions. This comprehensive managerial development program provides instruction in law enforcement issues, diagnostic problem solving, and administrative law. The varied methods of instruction used by

range.

the faculty permit participants to engage their individual creativity and initiative through the analytical examination of issues and problems faced by contemporary law enforcement managers. Graduates of the Administrative Officers Course are numbered among today's law enforcement leaders directing agencies throughout the United States and abroad.

We are happy to have Sgt. Akers back and we're confident his SPI experience has further enhanced his abilities to serve our community.

Congratulations to Sgt. Brad Akers for a job well done!



If you're Uptown Collinsville - look for the WI-Fi Network:

City-Guest

There is no password required.



The City of Collinsville provides FREE WI-FI along Main Street in Uptown Collinsville. There are a total of 8 access points along Main Street, with each access point having a 225ft radius



The network bandwith restrictions are up to 10mbps download and up to 5mbps upload.

The network also has client isolation enabled for security of attached devices (attached devices cannot communicate with each other) and has content filtering enabled (all adult and malicious categories blocked)

NOMINATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR THE 2023 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

HALL OF FAME

Kahok Nation,

On behalf of the Collinsville Community Unit School District #10 Hall of Fame Selection Committee, we are excited to begin accepting nominations for the inaugural Class of 2023 Hall of Fame inductees.

Our district is fortunate to have a long and storied list of alumni, residents and employees who are worthy of recognition for their community service, academic achievement, professional accomplishments and service to the district. Furthermore, Kahok Nation has a long history of student athletes, alumni and coaches that have experienced a great deal of athletic success and accomplishments.

The Hall of Fame will recognize athletic and personal accomplishments, exemplary citizenship, contributions to society and actions that brought distinction and honor to all associated with Collinsville Community Unit School District #10.

The Hall of Fame Selection Committee consists of eleven members: four from the school district and seven representing the community. We are honored to be part of this endeavor to celebrate the accomplishments of fellow Kahoks.

To organize the difficult task of selecting the inaugural Hall of Fame Class of 2023, as well as future inductees, we have established the following Hall of Fame Divisions*:

DISTINGUISHED: Individuals are recognized for community service, academic achievement, professional accomplishment and school district employment.

ATHLETIC: Individuals, Teams and Coaches are recognized for their success and accomplishments.

*Collinsville Community Unit School District #10 Hall of Fame by-laws can be accessed on the district website.

The Selection Committee will accept nominations for the Collinsville CUSD 10 Hall of Fame beginning Wednesday, June 8, 2022. An online nomination form is available at: www.kahoks.org/community/hall-of-fame. You may also pick one up from the CUSD 10 district office at 201 W. Clay Street.

Completed forms should be submitted electronically or returned to:

2023 Hall of Fame Nominations 201 W. Clay Street Collinsville, IL 62234

Nominations will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on September 1, 2022.

Please note these upcoming important dates for the Collinsville CUSD 10 Hall of Fame:

The inaugural class will be announced during the Holiday Classic Basketball Tournament held in Fletcher Gymnasium on December 28-30, 2022.

On February 16, 2023, an induction ceremony will be held at the Gateway Convention Center in Collinsville. Tickets for this event will be limited and go on sale in December 2022.

Sincerely,

Mark B. Skertich

Superintendent



At the May 24, 2022 City Council Meeting, 6 CHS Seniors were recognized for receiving a \$1,000 Stan Schaeffer Memorial Scholarship presented by the Collinsville Area Community Foundation (CACF). Since 2010, more than 50 CHS seniors have been awarded this scholarship.

The CHS graduating class of 2022 had 442 students and received over \$7.2 million dollars in scholarships and grants, from various sources, to continue their education.

Support Local Scholarships

To support the Stan Schaeffer Memorial Scholarship, other local scholarships, or to create a new scholarship for Collinsville High School students, visit Collinsvillefoundation.com. CACF is a public charitable organization as defined by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. All contributions and gifts are tax deductible. Donations and bequests are accepted from and disbursed to individuals, groups or businesses.



From left (Front Row) Drew Horras , Grace Lanier, Megan Houberg Lydia Fluss, and Jada Russell From left (Back Row) Collinsville Area Community Foundation Members: Mitch Bair, Brad Skertich, Brad Keene, Kai Redmon and Donna Green. Not pictured Jacob McChristian scholarship recipient.

BUSINESS & DEVELOPMENT



(267 St. Louis Road) McDills Irish Pub New Restaurant opened June 2022



Kruta Bakery

(300 St. Louis Rd) - Kruta's has finished their expansion and now has indoor/outdoor seating.





Starbucks



(404 Beltline Rd) - Starbucks Coffee is building a new store at the corner of Beltline Rd and Hwy 159. Construction to begin July 2022.



Herald Sauare



(403 W. Main St.) – Uptown Scoops featuring frozen custard and homemade cookies. Construction is under way - Opening Late Summer 2022.



(119 E. Clay) – Featuring outdoor stage venue and ice cream stand "Cold Herald". Construction is under way - Opening Summer 2022.

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The City of Collinsville 125 S. Center St. Collinsville, IL 62234



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The City of Collinsville's Newsletter

Summer 2022

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