



May 26, 2020

**COVID-19 Status Report
Oak Park Village Board of Trustees**

To: Village President and Village Board of Trustees

Fr: Cara Pavlicek, Village Manager

The memo is a means to share a brief summary of information regarding Village of Oak Park operational activities in response to COVID-19. In most cases, formal public guidance or employee guidance has been publicly disseminated via the Village website or Village social media channels.

New Public Health Guidance

Today, the Village of Oak Park Department of Public Health received notification of the following new COVID-19 cases: 2 Oak Park residents that range in age from 20s to their 60’s.

Excluding individuals for which street addresses are not yet determined, the State of Illinois reports a total of two-hundred and eighty-one (281) total Oak Park COVID-19 cases. It is important to note that as patient tracking and case follow-up occurs, individuals listed within the number of Oak Park cases reported may change depending on residency confirmation.

The Oak Park Department of Public Health is notified of positive tests as established by state and local public health protocol. Because of privacy laws, no additional information can be released about the individuals. It is noted, that privacy precludes location information regarding individuals tested to anyone other than Public Health Officials and First Responders.

The Oak Park Department of Public Health is working closely with officials from the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), investigating and notifying anyone who may have had exposure to the individual who tested positive for COVID-19. Local public health officials, hospitals and first responders are following protocols consistent with the latest guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Cases related to Long-Term Care and Assisted Living Facilities

Oak Park Public Health Director Charley reported a new positive test result for a resident of the Oasis, 625 N Harlem.

Facility Name	# of Resident Cases	# of Resident Deaths	# of Staff Cases
Belmont Village of Oak Park	2	1	3
Berkeley Nursing & Rehab Center	3	2	1
Brookdale Oak Park	7	1	7
Oak Park Arms	6	1	3
Oasis of Oak Park	21	10	5

Restore Illinois

Earlier today, Public Health Director Charley emailed more than 1,000 Oak Park business license holders to ensure they are aware of the State of Illinois [Phase 3 guidelines for business operations](#) as well as [business toolkits](#) containing resources to help businesses comply with public health recommendations.

It was noted that Phase 3 guidelines span 10 different industry categories. Each category includes a common set of guidelines that all employers and activity types are expected and encouraged to follow, as well as workplace and program-specific guidelines.

Additionally, business license holders were reminded that the State has not yet set an official date for moving into Phase 3 (the Governor has stated that all regions of the state will likely enter Phase 3 of the plan on Friday, May 29, 2020) and therefore the Village of Oak Park is planning for this to occur as early as Friday, May 29. Businesses were also provided a list of staff members who are tasked with working directly with each unique group as Illinois moves into Phase 3 of [Restore Illinois](#).

The Oak Park Public Health Department is working closely with the Village's Department of Development Customer Services to assist business owners and operators during the pandemic. Local information for businesses and other organizations is posted on the Village website at www.oak-park.us/businessguidance.

Additionally, Director Charley emailed all Oak Park licensed child care centers to provide specific guidance issued by the state regarding reopening child care in Illinois. Issued by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) the information is especially important for licensed child care centers & homes to reopen as the State enters Phase 3 of the Restore Illinois plan. While many child care homes and centers have been open and providing emergency care to the children of essential workers during the COVID-19 public health crisis under an emergency license obtained through DCFS, the majority of licensed child care programs have been closed during Phases 1 and 2 of the [Restore Illinois Plan](#). Starting in Phase 3 and continuing through Phase 4, child care providers are encouraged to reopen subject to guidance from the Illinois Department of Public Health to serve the many families who will be returning to work.

Village Board Meeting

On Thursday, May 28, 2020, at 5 p.m. a Remote Participation Meeting of the Village Board is being conducted with live audio available and optional video of the Village Officials. This Special Meeting is planned to address matters related to the state's move related to Phase 3 of Restore Illinois and the meeting will be streamed live and archived online for on-demand viewing at www.oak-park.us/boardtv as well as cablecast on VOP-TV, which is available to Comcast subscribers on channel 6 and ATT Uverse subscribers on channel 99. Remote Meetings of the Oak Park Village Board of Trustees is authorized pursuant to Section 6 of Governor J.B. Pritzker's Executive Order 2020-07.

The agenda and materials are available on the Village website. In compliance with the Executive Order of the Governor the agenda is limited to matters necessary during the Village's emergency response to the COVID-19 outbreak.

For remote participation meetings, public statements for either agenda or non-agenda items of up to three minutes will be read into the record. Individuals are asked to email statements to publiccomment@oak-park.us to be received no later than 30 minutes prior to the start of the meeting. The Village Clerk will receive those emails. Alternatively, if email is not an option, individuals can drop written comments off at the Oak Park Payment Drop box located across from the entrance to Village Hall, 123 Madison Street, to be received no later than 4 p.m. the day of the meeting.

Management Council

An online meeting of management council (the chief appointed official for each taxing body) was held today to allow for ongoing dialogue amongst the taxing bodies related to the anticipated move to Phase 3.