

ADVANTAGES!

Village of Addison

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A Message from the Mayor ...

If I had to pinpoint one aspect of being Mayor that makes my job most difficult, it would undoubtedly be the rumor mill.

People say to me often, "I heard ...," or "Someone told me ..." or the worst one, "I read online somewhere ..."

Rumors and conjecture are nothing new, but anyone with a social media account knows that it's rampant in today's world.

Even the most positive news often draws the most cynical comments.

And while everyone is entitled to an opinion, sometimes a resident reads something that was said in anger or in jest, and thinks that it's a fact.

The Village spends a lot of time and effort sharing information with our residents. This newsletter is a perfect example. *Addison Community Television* is another; for more than 40 years it has existed to inform our residents.

Online we utilize several channels for the community. Our website, *AddisonAdvantage.org*, houses a wealth of information. In fact, it was recently refreshed to be more user-friendly and appealing. (Details are inside.)

When there are announcements, events or reminders, we have several social media platforms that we utilize, including Facebook, Instagram, X, YouTube and LinkedIn. These are managed by staff, and are the most accurate information you can get.

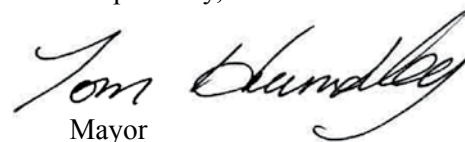
Your last option for finding out? Just ask!

Village employees are always available by phone. When you call Village Hall a real person answers the phone, and they can help direct you to the proper department so you can get your questions answered.

Speaking on behalf of the Village Board, we are available for questions, as well. Just ask us – by phone or email, or when you bump into us in town. If we don't know the answer to your question, we'll be sure to find it for you.

Sometimes the answers aren't what someone may want to hear. I wish we could snap our fingers and make the dream business come to town, or road project happen, or any one of a number of wish list items. Whether or not the answers are what you want to hear, trust that we will be honest with you, and we are open to hearing your feedback.

Respectfully,


Mayor



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These businesses have recently been issued licenses, and we welcome them to the Addison community.

A&A Cabinets Inc., 939 W. National Ave.
Advantage Auto Services Inc., 1233 W. Capitol Drive
Alg Products Llc, 520 W. Interstate Road
All Windows & Doors, 145 S. Addison Road
All Windows & Doors DbA Cabinet Design, 234 S. La Londe Ave Unit E
American Diesel Tube, 1235 W. Capitol Drive Unit C
Anly's Sushi, 615 W. Lake St.
Aponte's Upholstery Auto & Interior Restoration, 205 W. Interstate
At-A-Matic Transmission, 1740 W. Cortland Court, Unit F
Bevi, 1232 W. Capitol Drive Unit B
Calzante Construction, 236 S. La Londe Ave Unit 1A
C's Gym Designs, 703 W. Annoreno Drive Unit 4
Curtiss Wright, 689 W. Winthrop
Diamond Tool & Mold, Inc., 1058 W. Republic Drive
Don Rafa Cigars, 1212 W. Capitol Drive Unit 4
Dr. James Vitale Od Pc, 1600 W. Lake St.
Emm Logistics, 936 W. National Ave.
Empower Carriers Inc., 1115 W. National Ave.
Everflow Supplies, 150 S. Fairbank St.
Game Day Grooming, 1072 N. Rohlwing Road
Hollywood Traders Llc, 367 S. Rohlwing Road Unit N
Huegah, Llc, 739 W. Fullerton Ave.
Ironclad Motors Llc, 1046 W. Republic Drive
Longoria Refurbished Equipment, Inc., 818 S. Westwood Ave.
Madden Glass, 1215 W. National Ave.
Mg Design, 17 W. Fullerton Ave.
Midwest Physicians Administrative Services, 1034 N. Rohlwing Road
Optimus Prime Truck Repair Llc, 1115 W. Republic Drive
Overton Chicago Gear Llc, 206 W. Interstate Road
Packaging Supplies Plus, 1212 W. Capitol Drive Unit 5
Pat Mooney Inc., 25 W. Official Road
Sanmina, 1340 W. National Ave.
Slottys, 607 S. Addison Road
Tacos El Tio, 1012 N. Rohlwing Road
Tharwa Llc, 235 W. Laura Drive
Vetus Argentum Llc, 1001 W. Republic Drive Unit 15
Vital Auto & Truck, 1700 W. Armitage Court
Wisdom Publishers, 415 W. Belden Ave, Unit H

Mark Your Calendars

Fall Recycling Event



The Village of Addison Public Works Department is partnering with Republic Services, BLH Computers, SCARCE, ProShred,

and the Addison VFW to host the semi-annual recycling event.

The event will be held on Saturday, Oct. 17, from 8 a.m. until noon at the Village of Addison Public Works Facility, located at 1491 Jeffrey Drive.

This event will be open to Addison residents free of charge (proof of residency required). Please visit AddisonAdvantage.org for more information, including items and quantities that will be accepted.

For questions, please call Public Works at 630-620-2020.

Mayor's Community Charity Ball



The *Mayor's Community Charity Ball* invites you to an evening of dinner, dancing, entertainment and open bar, as well as a cash raffle and silent auction to raise funds for more than a dozen Addison-based charities and service organizations.

Join event host Mayor Tom Hundley at Medinah Banquets on Saturday, Nov. 7. Tickets go on sale in early September at ItHappensInAddison.com. A portion of each ticket sold goes to support the charity of your choice.

In addition, hundreds of items will be available in the event's Silent Auction; bidders need not be at the event. Details will be available on the website in the weeks preceding the event.

Raffle tickets are also available for cash prizes of \$1,500, \$1,000 and \$500.

For more information, contact Doree Krage in Community Relations at 630-693-7551.

Trick or Treat Hours

Trick or Treat hours in the Village of Addison are limited to 3 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 31. Children are expected to trick or treat within 3 blocks of their homes.

Drivers should be especially cautious during these times.





Oktoberfest Returns

After a rousing debut event last year, *Oktoberfest* returns this fall with expanded hours, a bigger tent, and lots more fun.

Join us on Friday, Oct. 16, from 5 to 10 p.m., and Saturday, Oct. 17, from 3 to 10 p.m., along Army Trail Blvd., next to the Village Green.

Enjoy live music in a heated tent from *Frau Blücher* and the *Musik Meisters*. German food will be available for purchase, as well as German and seasonal beers.

The Addison Historical Museum will also be open both days until 7 p.m. with fun activities for kids. For details, visit ItHappensInAddison.com.



Last year's Oktoberfest drew hundreds each night. During the evening's live entertainment, a Beer Stein Holding Contest was held, as well as other fun activities.

Our Thanks ...

To Our Rock 'N Wheels Performers, Attendees & Sponsors



Village Website Debuts New Design, Navigation and Features

The Village of Addison's main website, AddisonAdvantage.org, recently underwent a face lift. If you haven't visited the website in a while, you may be pleasantly surprised to see a more eye-catching design.

The changes, however, are more than cosmetic. The website was also reorganized with the intention of making information easier to find.

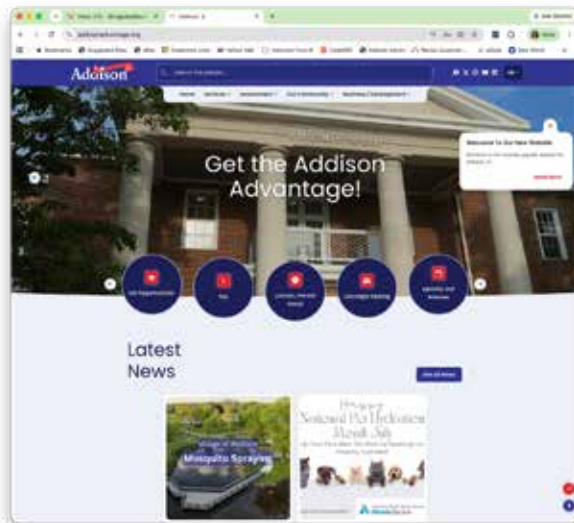
Navigation

The website was last redesigned in 2017. At that time, the goal was to make most pages within the site reachable within three clicks. The standard today, however, is to find information in one to two clicks. So, more than 80 percent of our site's pages are available with one click via the drop down menus, and the rest with one more.

Mobile experience

In 2017, the website was made mobile friendly, as a large number of residents were beginning to access the site on their phones or tablets.

In today's world, the vast majority of our website visitors will never see the website on a computer. The layout and design were done with the mobile screen at the top of mind.



The newly redesigned Village website is more eye-catching, with easy to find quick links, rotating images, and graphics and photos included in the News Bulletins. The mobile version is just as important, since most residents now access the site on their phone or tablet.

Accessibility

As in the past, the size of text can be adjusted on the website to make reading easier. In addition, the new site features other accessibility options, including: eliminating images altogether; increasing or decreasing contrast; enlarging the cursor; and making pages dyslexia-friendly.

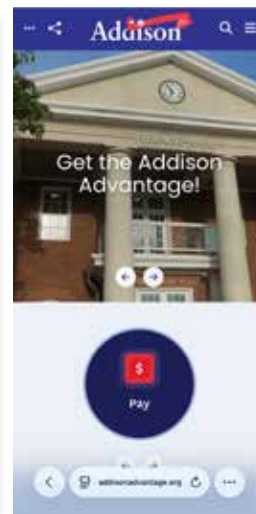
Accessibility features are reachable from the bottom right of every page.

The entire website can be translated into 80 different languages, as well.

As new Americans with Disabilities Act requirements are added in the coming years, the site is proactively being revamped to meet those requirements.



Accessibility features can be accessed from any page of the website by clicking the indicated icon above. Text size and spacing, contrast, and images are just a few of the features that can be adjusted by the user.



Other Features

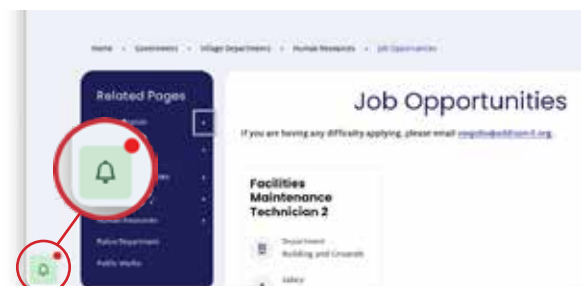
Certain pages, such as Job Opportunities and News Bulletins, allow residents to subscribe to them by clicking the bell icon in the lower left; when that page is updated, subscribers are notified that new information is online.

Quick links on the home page, which take visitors to the most commonly visited pages, are now far more visible. News Bulletins now feature photos and graphics. These

improvements make information easier to find, and hopefully make the website a better experience.

If visitors have trouble finding something or aren't sure where to look, the new site offers a more robust search feature right at the top of the page; all results now remain on the site itself.

In the coming months, residents will see further improvements in the Village Code portion of the website, to make ordinances and regulations easier to search and access.



Visitors can stay on top of updates to certain page of the website, such as News Bulletins or Job Opportunities. Click the indicated icon above to subscribe to a page, and receive a notification when the page has updates.



PARDON OUR DUST

Our Buildings and Grounds team stayed busy throughout the summer completing projects that improved our schools' safety, functionality, and learning environments. Here's a look at some of the major work completed across the district:

- **Army Trail Elementary:** The gymnasium floor was sanded and refinished, restoring its appearance and extending its lifespan.
- **Fullerton Elementary:** The water main was upgraded, and new sensory playground equipment was installed, creating an inclusive outdoor space for students to learn and play.
- **Indian Trail Junior High:** A bi-directional amplifier (BDA) system was installed in the basement, improving emergency radio communication throughout the building.
- **Lincoln Elementary:** In partnership with the Village of Addison, concrete was installed along the grass easement in front of the school's main entrance, creating additional space for student pick-up and drop-off. This improvement addressed longstanding traffic congestion during arrival and dismissal, resulting in safer, more efficient traffic flow for students, families, staff, and the surrounding neighborhood.
- **Wesley Elementary:** The remaining three rooftop HVAC units (RTUs) were installed, improving building comfort and energy efficiency.

SUPPORTING EVERY STUDENT'S SUCCESS

As we prepare for another exciting school year, we are proud to once again provide free school supplies and free breakfast and lunch to every student across the district.

This opportunity is made possible through the dedication of our District Office staff, who work year-round to identify, apply for, and secure grants and funding that directly benefit our students. Their efforts allow us to invest in programs that support student success while keeping essential resources accessible to every family.

District 88 shares important information regarding bond proposal



WHAT IS THE DISTRICT 88 BOND PROPOSAL?

The funding proposal would address facility improvements at Addison Trail and Willowbrook high schools, including safety and security upgrades and improvements to infrastructure, ADA accessibility and Career and Technical Education (CTE) spaces.

WILL MY TAXES INCREASE BECAUSE OF THE DISTRICT 88 BOND PROPOSAL?

No. The bond proposal would fund these updates at both facilities without a net tax rate increase.

This is possible because District 88 has existing referendum debt that will

be paid off after levy year 2026, and the district has limited the proposal to its high-priority needs.

WHEN WOULD THE BOND PROPOSAL APPEAR?

The bond proposal could appear on the Nov. 3, 2026, ballot.

WHERE CAN I FIND MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE BOND PROPOSAL?

Specifics about the bond proposal can be viewed at dupage88.net/Proposal (or scan the QR code).

This web page includes the following materials (in English and in Spanish):

- *Frequently asked questions (FAQs):* dupage88.net/BondProposalFAQs



• *Fact sheet:* dupage88.net/BondProposalFactSheet

FOR QUESTIONS OR MORE INFORMATION:
Contact District 88 Director of Community Relations Dani Brink at dbrink@dupage88.net or 630-530-3989.



September is Library Card Sign-Up Month!

No matter what your tastes are, a library card hits all the right notes!

Check out a classic story or hit shuffle and try something new. Find harmony at your library's book clubs, movie nights, crafting classes, and author talks. A headphone kind of day? Find your focus in a study room or vibe out in a cozy nook. Compose your future with new skills in your library's makerspace or check out instruments and tools in the Library of Things. No matter what rhythm you find yourself in, there's a seat in the front row at the library for you.

What do I need to get a library card?

To register yourself or your child for a library card, you need a photo ID with your current address. If your photo ID doesn't have your current address, please bring in an item from the list at addisonlibrary.org/get-a-card.

Does it cost anything to get a library card?

Residents of incorporated Addison can sign up for their library card at no cost. Residents of unincorporated Addison may purchase a library card for a fee that will be calculated using your property tax bill.

Did you know...? Free library cards are available ALL Addison residents under 18 years old — all year long!

Can I get my library card online?

Yes! Visit addisonlibrary.org/get-a-card to sign-up for your library card online. Forgot your library card number or unsure if you already have a card? You can also use the online form to have your card number emailed to you.

Your library card is the most valuable card in your wallet. Stop by to get yours or learn more at: addisonlibrary.org/get-a-card.

Upcoming Events

Taste the World Jr.

In celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, join us to learn about food and culture from Latin America! We'll have tasty snacks to try and do an art activity. Please make sure to notify us ahead of time if your child has any food allergies or sensitivities. Grades 3 & up; siblings and adults are welcome to attend along with an elementary-school aged child.

Sat., Sept. 26 2:00-2:45 Youth Services Dept.

Great Graves

Join Illinois traveler John Kokoris for a look at the graves of great Illinoisans and notable monuments to lives well lived. *Co-sponsored by the Addison Historical Society.*

Thurs., Oct. 15 7:00-8:00 Meeting Room 1

Spanish Conversation Group

Have fun and make new friends as you practice your Spanish skills! All levels welcome.

Mon., Oct. 26 6:00-7:00 Meeting Room 3



BookFlix is an engaging read-aloud experience that pairs animated stories with related nonfiction titles—including many Spanish pairs! Available for free with your Addison Public Library card at addisonlibrary.org/downloads.

Addison Township

Message from the Supervisor

Fall is an exciting time at Addison Township as we continue to offer programs and events that bring our community together. We look forward to welcoming families back for Trunk or Treat and Luz de los Muertos, two popular events that celebrate the season and strengthen community connections.

We are also expanding opportunities for older adults through special programming, including Lotería, a fun, culturally inspired game that brings seniors together for an afternoon of fellowship and friendly competition.

Whether you're joining us for an event or visiting the Township for services, we appreciate the opportunity to serve you and hope to see you this fall.



— Supervisor Bobby Hernandez

Calendar of Township Events



Senior Learning Series

Last Thursday of Each Month
10:00–11:00 AM



Senior Lotería (Mexican Bingo)

September 3 – 11:30 AM–1:30 PM
\$5 Residents • \$10 Non-Residents
Registration Required



Corn Roast and Touch-a-Truck

September 12 – 10:30 AM–1:30 PM



9/11 Remembrance Ceremony

September 11 – 8:45 AM



Veterans Rally Point

September 8 – 10:00 AM–2:00 PM
October 13 – 10:00 AM–2:00 PM



Veterans Day Appreciation Lunch

November 17th – 10:00 AM–2:00 PM

Trunk or Treat

October 25 – 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM



Enjoy a safe and festive fall evening filled with decorated vehicles, candy, games, activities, and fun for the whole family at Addison Township's Trunk or Treat.

Luz de los Muertos

November 1 – 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM



Addison Township's Luz de los Muertos brings the community together through colorful altars, music, art, and storytelling to celebrate culture and honor the memories of loved ones.



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Addison Township

Human Services Dept is here to help. Call us at: 630-530-8161



Community Market Food Pantry: is open on Mondays and Wednesdays for you to choose your groceries. Call to schedule a "shopping" appointment to help stretch your grocery budget.



Emergency and General Assistance programs provide financial support to eligible residents, including one-time help for urgent needs and ongoing assistance for basic living expenses. Our GA program may also support individuals seeking employment or awaiting disability benefits.



Benefits Access provides reduced-cost license plate renewals and a free RTA transit card for low-income senior citizens and disabled individuals.



LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program) provides a one-time grant to offset the cost of gas and electric bills. **Applications open October 1st.**



Medical Lending Closet: offers free, short-term loans of durable medical equipment such as wheelchairs, walkers, and crutches for residents in need. **New!**



Senior Health Insurance Program: Schedule a free appointment with our SHIP counselors for unbiased, Medicare plan assistance. **Medicare Annual Enrollment Period (Oct. 15-Dec. 7)**

Early Voting Super Site!



All DuPage County residents can vote here regardless of their precinct location!

Polling Place Location:

401 N. Addison Rd., Addison, IL 60101

Early Voting Hours:

Sept. 24 – Oct. 18:

Mon-Fri 8:00 AM-4:30 PM

Sat 9:00 AM- 12:00 PM

Oct. 19 – Nov. 2:

Mon-Fri 8:00 AM-7:00 PM

Sat/Sun 9:00 AM-5:00 PM

Nov 3: Election Day

Polls Open – 6:00 AM-7:00 PM



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Support Close at Home

The Addison Township Mental Health Board invests in local organizations that provide mental health, substance use, and developmental disability services to Township residents. Through these partnerships, residents and families can access counseling, recovery services, family education, and other essential resources close to home.

To learn more about available services and the organizations supported by the Mental Health Board, visit

<https://www.addisontownshipmhb.com/>





— ADDISON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT —

NEWSLETTER

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FALL SAFETY, STAY ALERT

Cooler temperatures, shorter days, and seasonal activities can create new safety risks. Follow these tips to help keep yourself and others safe this fall.

**Follow these tips to enjoy
a safe fall season:**



DRIVE CAREFULLY

Slow down on wet roads, in fog, and around school zones.



DRESS FOR THE WEATHER

Wear layers and bright clothing when walking outside.



WATCH FOR SLIPPERY LEAVES

Use caution on sidewalks, driveways, and steps.



DECORATE SAFELY

Keep candles, decorations, and pumpkins away from heat sources.



FIRE PIT SAFETY

Keep fire pits at least 10 feet from structures and never leave them unattended.



CHECK ON YOUR NEIGHBORS

A quick check-in can help older adults stay safe as temperatures drop.

LEAF CLEANUP SAFETY

-  Keep leaves away from storm drains and roadways.
-  Wear gloves and use proper lifting technique.
-  Keep children away from leaf piles near the street.



DID YOU KNOW?

Heating equipment is a leading cause of home fire deaths in cooler months.



Keep heaters at least 3 feet from anything that can burn.



Turn portable heaters off when leaving the room.



FALL SAFETY QUICK TIPS



HALLOWEEN SAFETY

Use flashlights or glow sticks, wear visible costumes, and watch for traffic.



FIRE PIT SAFETY

Keep a hose or water nearby and fully extinguish fires before leaving.



HEATING SAFETY

Keep anything that can burn at least 3 feet away from heaters.

HELP PROGRAM UPDATE



The HELP (Health Equipment Loan Program) has moved to Addison Township.

For equipment, please call
630-530-8161.



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NON-EMERGENCY: (630) 628-3100

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