

# WORTH TOWNSHIP

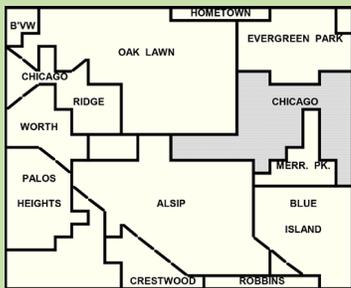
## news

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### 2025 YEAR IN REVIEW | YOUR COMMUNITY CONNECTION



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#### Worth Township Is...

- Alsip
- Blue Island
- Bridgeview
- Chicago Ridge
- Crestwood
- Evergreen Park
- Hometown
- Merrionette Park
- Oak Lawn
- Palos Heights
- Robbins
- Worth



## FROM THE TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR PATRICIA JOAN MURPHY

### Looking back

As we reflect on the past year, 2025 was a powerful reminder of what makes Worth Township strong, people helping people. Throughout the year, Township programs, volunteers, and partner organizations worked together to support residents at every stage of life, from young families and students to seniors and those facing temporary hardship.

Demand for essential services continued to grow, and Worth Township met those challenges head-on. Programs like the Food Pantry, Christmas Care, and Apple Tree School Supply Program played a vital

role in ensuring neighbors had access to food, clothing, school supplies, and holiday support when they needed it most.

Sincerely,

**Patricia Joan Murphy**  
 Township Supervisor

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# WORTH TOWNSHIP

## *Elected Officials*



**Patricia Joan Murphy**  
Township Supervisor

The Township Supervisor leads Township operations and works to ensure vital services and programs meet residents' needs.



**Eamon J. McMahon**  
Township Clerk

The Township Clerk manages official documents and election processes to support accountable and efficient Township government.



**Shaun C. Murphy**  
Township Assessor

The Township Assessor ensures fair property assessments while helping residents understand valuation and exemption processes.



**Jerry Hurckes**  
Trustee

- 30-year resident of Oak Lawn
- Former Chief of Staff to Congressmen Bill and Dan Lipinski
- Serves on Building & Grounds Committee overseeing infrastructure



**Kelly Sexton-Kelly**  
Trustee

- Lifelong resident of Evergreen Park
- Degree, Elementary Education, Western Michigan University
- Believes in fiscal responsibility and in providing the highest quality services available for all residents



**Mychal J. Toscas**  
Trustee

- Lifelong resident of Crestwood
- Licensed Realtor in Illinois & Indiana and Real Estate Developer
- Sees his role as fiscal watchdog and in making services available for all residents



**Robert Pratl**  
Trustee

- Lifelong resident of Chicago Ridge
- Member in good standing of L.U. 134
- President of the Chicago Ridge Park District
- Member of the Planning and Zoning of Chicago Ridge
- Will help grow the Township's program and services while being fiscally responsible

### *Upcoming Board Meetings*

January 15th  
February 18th

March 18th  
April 15th

May 20th  
June 17th

July 15th  
August 19th

September 16th  
October 21st

November 18th  
December 16th

Township Board Meetings held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:00 P.M. at the Worth Township Town Hall

# 2025 YEAR IN REVIEW

*Bringing Our Community Together*



## JANUARY - FEBRUARY

### Our Girls Volleyball League

Congratulations to the 52 teams that participated in our Volleyball league. The league runs from November to March.



### MARCH - DMV Event

In March the Township hosted a successful DMV event that served many residents and highlighted our commitment to accessible community services.



### APRIL - Pictures with the Bunny

Families enjoyed a festive spring celebration as children met the Easter Bunny and spent time celebrating together in our community.



### Stop the Bleeding Training with Cook County Sheriff's Office

Partnering with the Cook County Sheriff Department to offer events like Stop the Bleed, Tailgate replacements, and teaching our Summer Camp value lessons.



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*Bringing Our Community Together this Year*

## MAY

### Cinco de Mayo

Our senior residents enjoyed a fun-filled Cinco de Mayo celebration hosted by the Township. The event featured a lively mariachi band that brought music, energy, and smiles to the room, making it a memorable afternoon for everyone in attendance.



### Resource Fair

The Township proudly hosted its yearly Community Resource Fair, bringing together more than 50 vendors to connect residents with valuable services, programs, and resources.



## JUNE

### Jimmy Esch Memorial Blood Drive

The Township came together once again for its annual blood drive, held in loving memory of local resident Jimmy Esch. Friends, neighbors, and volunteers turned out to donate life-saving blood, honoring Jimmy's legacy of kindness and generosity.

The event not only provided critical support to patients in need but also strengthened the community and connection among residents.



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## JULY

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### Summer Camp

Last summer, Worth Township Summer Camp was buzzing with excitement for seven fun-filled weeks! Campers enjoyed a wide variety of activities, from creative arts and sports to games and outdoor adventures.

Each week, campers had the chance to cool off with a trip to the local pool and explore new places on exciting weekly field trips. Laughter, learning, and friendship were in abundance, making last summer one to remember for everyone involved.

A big thank you to all the staff, volunteers, and families who helped make this summer camp special.



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## AUGUST - Worth Township's Drive Thru Backpack & School Supply Giveaway

The Township's annual backpack and school supply giveaway was a huge success, putting more than 400 backpacks filled with essential school supplies into the hands of local students.

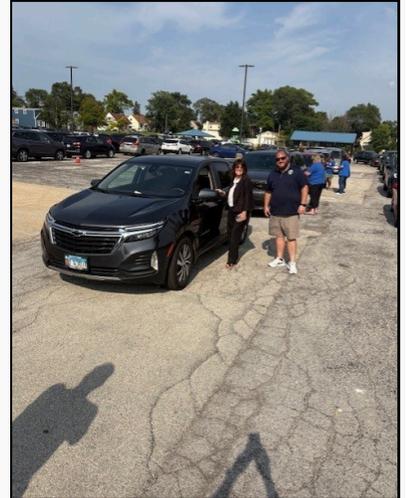
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*Bringing Our Community Together this Year*

Supervisor Patricia Joan Murphy, along with many dedicated Township employees, spent hours carefully stuffing each backpack with notebooks, pencils, crayons, and many other school essentials.

Families lined up with excitement as Township Elected Officials and employees worked together to ensure every child left ready for a great school year. It was a wonderful reminder of the community spirit and support that helps students thrive.



## SEPTEMBER

### Foundation Golf Outing

The Township Foundation held its annual golf outing at Hickory Hills Country Club, bringing together supporters for a day of golf, fellowship, and fun. The event concluded with dinner, and raffle prizes, helping support the Foundation's ongoing programs and initiatives.



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*Bringing Our Community Together this Year*

We extend our sincere thanks to all of our generous sponsors whose support made this event possible.



## OCTOBER

### Understanding Medicare Presentation

The Township recently hosted an informative presentation, Understanding Medicare, presented by the Illinois Department on Aging's Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP). The session provided seniors with clear, unbiased information about Medicare coverage options, enrollment periods, and valuable benefits. Attendees had the opportunity to ask questions and gain valuable guidance to help them make informed healthcare decisions.

### Trunk or Treat

The Township's Annual Trunk or Treat was a huge success this Halloween, with over 1,000 residents in attendance for a fun and spooky event. The night was packed with costumes, games, plenty of candy, and family fun. Thank you to everyone who participated to make this event so memorable!



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## Trunk or Treat



## NOVEMBER

### Veterans Luncheon

The Township hosted a Veterans Luncheon with live music, good food, and a chance to honor our local veterans.



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## DECEMBER

### Santa's Room

Santa stopped by the Township to spread holiday cheer and pose for photos with residents of all ages.



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## Toy Drive

The Township's annual Toy Drive for the Christmas Care Program was a wonderful success thanks to the generosity of our community. Residents, local businesses, and organizations came together to donate new toys, clothing, and monetary contributions, ensuring that families in need were supported during the holidays season.

The overwhelming response reflects the true spirit of giving and compassion within our Township, and we extend our sincere thanks to everyone who helped make this program possible.



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## Senior Holiday Luncheon

The Township hosted a joyful Senior Holiday Luncheon, where residents enjoyed a delicious meal, good company and special visit from Santa to celebrate the season.



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Community Events & Activities

### MONTHLY EVENTS



#### Veterans Support Group

The Veterans Support Group holds monthly meetings at the Township, with occasional guest speakers and community resources.

### WEEKLY EVENTS

 **Foodie Club (Now on Tuesdays!)**  
Each month, participants are invited to bring their favorite recipe for the Foodie Club to taste and enjoy together.

 For more information:  
Paula: 708-972-7076

  **Indoor Walking Club**  
Walk indoors in the gyms & halls of the Worth Township Building.

 **Monday – Thursday**  
 **7:00 AM – 8:00 AM**

  **Senior Fitness Classes**  
 Fitness – Tue & Thu | 10–11 AM | \$2

 **Early Bird Bingo**  
 Join us for coffee & fun times!

Every game has a winner (or more).

 **Wednesdays**  
 **9:30 AM – 11:00 AM**

 **Friendship Line**  
Friendly social phone calls for residents seeking connection and companionship.

 Call 708-972-7858 to request a call.

For details & updates:  
[www.worhtownship.com](http://www.worhtownship.com)



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Community Events & Activities

### 2026 EVENTS



#### DMV Mobile Unit

Convenient on-site DMV services for residents (appointment only).



March 11



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September 9



#### Primary Election Day



March 17



#### Worth Township Foundation Golf Outing

Support Township programs while enjoying a day on the course.



September 25



#### Easter Bunny Visits

Bring the kids out to meet the Easter Bunny and celebrate spring.



April 1



#### Trunk or Treat

Family-friendly Halloween fun with costumes, candy, and decorated trunks.



October 28



#### Veteran & Senior Resource Fair

Connect with valuable programs, services, and community resources.



May 13



#### Election Day



November 3



#### Jimmy Esch Memorial Blood Drive

Give the gift of life at this annual community blood drive.



June 25



#### Veterans Lunch

Honoring our local veterans with food, fellowship, and appreciation.



November 5



#### Backpack Giveaway

Free backpacks and school supplies for local students while supplies last.



August 5



#### Santa Visits

Santa returns to spread holiday cheer and take photos with families.



December 14, 15 & 16



#### Big BINGO Bonanza

A fun-filled bingo event with prizes and excitement.



August 26

# TOWNSHIP DIRECTORY

*Helpful Contacts & Services for Worth Township Residents*

Department	Days	Hours	Phone & Email
<b>Main Office</b>	Monday-Thursday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 708-371-2900</li> <li>• info@worthtownship.com</li> </ul>
<b>Supervisor's Office</b>	Monday-Thursday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 708-972-7840</li> <li>• supervisor@worthtownship.com</li> </ul>
<b>Clerk's Office</b>	Monday-Thursday To apply for a <b>PASSPORT</b> , call for appointment	7:00 am - 3:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 708-972-7868</li> <li>• 708-972-7855</li> <li>• clerkoffice@worthtownship.com</li> </ul>
<b>Assessor's Office</b>	Monday-Thursday Homeowner/Senior/Senior Freeze Exemptions, Appeals	8:00 am - 4:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 708-371-5557</li> <li>• assessorworth@worthtownship.com</li> </ul>
<b>Highway</b>	Monday-Thursday	6:30 am - 2:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 708-389-6644</li> </ul>
<b>Food Pantry</b>	Tuesday-Thursday (no appointment needed)	10:00 am - 2:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 708-972-7869</li> <li>• generalassistance@worthtownship.com</li> </ul>
<b>General Assistance</b>	Monday - Thursday To inquire about help with rent or utilities, call for appointment	8:00 am - 3:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 708-972-7843</li> <li>• 708-972-7851</li> <li>• generalassistance@worthtownship.com</li> </ul>
<b>Liheap Energy Services</b>	Monday-Thursday Worth Township is an official CEDA partner	8:00 am - 2:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To make an appointment please call:</li> <li>• 708-371-3393</li> </ul>
<b>Senior Services</b>	Monday-Thursday	8:00 pm - 4:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 708-972-7854</li> </ul>
<b>Senior Transport</b>	Monday-Thursday	7:30 am - 2:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 708-972-7075</li> <li>• Benefit Access assistance (by appointment)</li> </ul>
<b>Youth Commission</b>	Monday-Thursday	8:00 pm - 4:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 708-972-7837</li> <li>• youthcommission@worthtownship.com</li> </ul>
<b>Youth Services Bureau</b>	Monday-Thursday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 708-972-7845</li> <li>• ysb@worthtownship.com</li> </ul>
<b>Veterans</b>	Monday-Thursday	8:00 am - 3:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 708-972-7858</li> </ul>

## FRIDAYS

*All employees are working remotely on Fridays.*

*Please call or email them, and they will get back to you as soon as possible.*

# COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

## *Neighboring Community Contact Information*

<b>Community</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone &amp; Email</b>
<b>Alsip</b>	4500 W. 123rd St. Alsip, IL 60803	(708) 385-6902
<b>Blue Island</b>	13051 Greenwood Ave. Blue Island, IL 60406	(708) 385-6902
<b>Bridgeview</b>	7500 S. Oketo Ave. Bridgeview, IL 60455	(708) 594-2525
<b>Chicago Ridge</b>	10455 S. Ridgeland Ave Chicago Ridge, IL 60415	(708) 425-7700
<b>Crestwood</b>	13800 S. Cicero Ave. Crestwood, IL 60418	(708) 371-4800
<b>Evergreen Park</b>	9418 S. Kedzie Ave. Evergreen Park, IL 60805	(708) 422-1551
<b>Hometown</b>	4331 Southwest Hwy. Hometown, IL 60456	(708) 424-7500
<b>Merrionette Park</b>	11720 S. Kedzie Ave. Merrionette Park, IL 60803	(708) 396-3183
<b>Oak Lawn</b>	9446 Raymond Ave. Oak Lawn, IL 60453	(708) 636-4400
<b>Palos Heights</b>	7607 W. College Drive Palos Heights, IL 60463	(708) 361-1800
<b>Robbins</b>	3327 W. 137th St. Robbins, IL 60472	(708) 385-8940
<b>Worth</b>	7112 W. 111th St. Worth, IL 60482	(708) 448-1181

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# GETTING TO KNOW

## *Your Township Supervisor*



Patricia “Trish” Joan Murphy was born in Blue Island and raised in Crestwood, two vibrant communities within Worth Township. She is a graduate of Boston University, where she earned a Bachelor of Science. Her professional experience spans the private, public, nonprofit, small business, and government sectors. Through this diverse background, she discovered that her greatest impact comes from serving others. So, she decided to dedicate her life to public service.

In 2018, Trish was elected Democratic Committeeperson, a role she continues to hold with pride. She was also elected as the Moraine Valley Community College (MVCC) Representative to the Illinois Community College Trustees Association (ICCTA). ICCTA serves all 48 Illinois community colleges and is a member of the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT), which represents community colleges nationwide.

These volunteer roles are especially meaningful to Trish, as she strongly believes that access to quality education should be attainable and accessible for all.

In addition, Trish has served on numerous boards and committees, including the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation, Sacred Transformations, several Chambers of Commerce, environmental organizations, and Township, State, and National Democratic organizations.

In 2021, Trish helped assemble a coalition ticket for the Worth Township Board of Trustees and was elected Worth Township Supervisor, becoming only the second woman to hold that office. Since then, Trish and the Board of Trustees have worked diligently to expand community outreach across the 12 municipalities within Worth Township. They take pride in being present, accessible, and responsive to the concerns of residents.

Under her leadership, the Township added a new digital sign to better communicate programs and services to residents. The Board also established partnerships with the Cook County Sheriff’s Department, launched a veterans’ program, reinstated senior transportation services, expanded staffing in the Highway Department, added a park and community garden, and enhanced the Assessor’s Office, Clerk’s Office, senior programming, and food pantry. These improvements were made possible through nearly \$2 million in grant funding.

Trish and the Board of Trustees look forward to the coming year and remain committed to making even greater strides in supporting, serving, and informing the residents of Worth Township.