



Oak Park Township Services

www.oakparktownship.org or phone (708) 383-8005

Information and Referral provided in all service areas

Senior Services* (708) 383-8060

Services for seniors, 60 years and older

Case management, Meal programs, Caregiver support, In-home chore services, Money Management, Will preparation, and Assistance in obtaining benefits.

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Services for seniors, 60 years and older and persons, 18 and older, with disabilities

Transportation Services, Abuse investigation, Home energy assistance, Health insurance assistance, Key Box for emergency entry, Benefit Access for license plate discount and free ride pass, and Options Counseling to assist remaining in the community.

Special Services (708) 383-8005

Adult Financial Aid – for single adults, unemployed or applying for Social Security Disability Insurance

Food Assistance information

Links to Health Care – referrals to State and County assistance

Medical Equipment – free loan of donated, gently used, medical equipment

Services to Citizens with Disabilities

Assessor Services – help with appeals, homeowner and senior exemptions and freezes, records of residential sales and trends, and other tax-related information.

Voter Services – help with registration, absentee ballot forms, and information.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Senior Services Meal Delivery
Money Management Program
Advisory Committees

Community Mental Health Board

Provides guidance and funding to agencies; funds

The Network of Care guide to mental health and developmental disabilities services. See:

<http://oakpark.il.networkofcare.org/mh/> or contact the CMHB Office at (708) 358-8855, located 1010 Lake Street, Suite 616

Youth Services* (708) 445-2727

Youth Interventionist Program

The Interventionist Team helps youth make better life choices.

T.I.M.E.– community service

Youth offenders fulfill village adjudication or school discipline requirements.

Mentoring Programs

Goals are literacy, substance abuse prevention, and S.T.E.M. job readiness. Mentoring is a part of all direct services and contracted programs.

FACE-IT Program

Substance abuse prevention education – youth attend with a parent sessions on the effects of drugs and improving communication.

Peace Circles

Peace Circle Keepers are trained to provide for conflict resolution and restorative justice.

Scholarships

Provide youth from low-income families access to other organizations' fee-based programs.

Contracted Programs

Funding for local programs including: Tutoring/mentoring, Volunteer service, Summer work/study, Arts enrichment, Pregnancy prevention/teen parent support, After school intramurals, Evening/weekend recreation, Substance abuse prevention, Youth conference, and Holiday Food and Gift Basket.

*** Also serving River Forest Township**

Senior Services celebrates 45 years of serving older adults throughout Oak Park and River Forest

Oak Park Township Senior Services has a long history of providing a wide array of services to residents 60 and older as well as people with disabilities in Oak Park and River Forest, starting with the formation of a Senior Citizens Committee in 1971. It joined with River Forest Township in 2002 through an inter-governmental agreement to combine funds and resources to better serve both communities.

Over 25 full-time and part-time employees served 4,766 unduplicated older adults in 2015 through:

- Case Management/Home Support Services
- Adult Protective Services
- Hospital-Based Case Management
- Nutrition Services
- Health & Wellness Activities
- Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP)
- Transportation Services
- Money Management
- Affordable Wills
- Energy Assistance
- Access to Public Benefits
- Information and Referrals

Revenue for Senior Services includes funds from local, state and federal agencies as well as fees and donations from program participants. With the goal of enhancing seniors' quality of life while promoting independence, self-esteem and dignity, the Township Senior Services Center is the central facility for Oak Park residents.

After being located on the 5th and 6th floors of the Oak Park Arms building for many years, the Senior Services offices were relocated to 130 South Oak Park Avenue in August 2012. This expansion allowed the construction of a large community dining and meeting room which is primarily used for the congregate dining program. Other features include ADA accessible restrooms, a computer lab, and improved storage. The Oak Park Historic Preservation Commission presented the Township with a Historic Preservation Award in November 2012 in recognition of the project.

In 2016, the Township Senior Services will be participating in **Celebrating Seniors** for the sixth year. By providing assistance with emergency needs, partnering with community businesses and agencies, as well as being an active advocacy group, Celebrating Seniors dedicates a week every May to honor individual achievements as well as to present events and educational seminars. This week's programming will be from May 12th -19th. More information can be found at www.celebratingseniors.net.

Each quarter, Senior Services publishes and distributes *News & Views*, a newsletter designed to provide information on important issues for older residents. It also includes the lunch menu for the dining program, events taking place either in the Senior Services building or in the community, and contact information. To receive the newsletter, please contact us at (708) 383-8060 or seniors@oakparktownship.org. We value our seniors and look forward to the next 45 years and beyond.

See reverse side for listing of Township services.



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