

Village of Lake in the Hills Press Release

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For Immediate Release

Lake in the Hills, IL – To combat the new wave of COVID-19 surging across Illinois and the nation, Governor J. B. Pritzker and the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) announced that effective on Friday, November 20 at 12:01 a.m., the state will enter Tier 3 Resurgence Mitigations. The new mitigations aim to limit gatherings and encourage people to stay home to the greatest extent possible while permitting some industries to remain open at significantly reduced capacities with proper safety measures in place.

In response to the new requirements, the Village will close several public facilities while the Tier 3 Resurgence Mitigations remain in place. Facilities closed to the public starting on Monday, November 23, include Village Hall, Public Works, and the Airport office. At the airport, staff will still be on hand to provide full-service fuel, however, the office will be closed. The Police Department remains open to the public.

The Recreation Division will pause programming effective on Friday, November 20, for a minimum of two weeks. In-person program exceptions include Flurry Fest, Back-2-School Remote Learning Camp, and No School Days, which will all run in compliance with current CDC and IDPH guidelines. The remote Preschool Academy program is still running as scheduled. The Village will monitor state guidance and reinstate programming when permitted. Updates will be shared through the Village CommunityPass page, the Village website and social media channels.

The timeline to reopen facilities to the public and reinstate programming will be determined with state guidance.

The Village's essential services will remain available to all residents, businesses, and community members via email and telephone. Staff can be reached by phone at 847-960-7400 and additional contact information is available at lith.org/contact-us. Residents are encouraged to take advantage of opportunities to conduct business through the Village website, such as making payments or applying for select permits. Services available through the website may be found at lith.org/resourcecenter.

During the facility closures, water bills may be paid online at https://www.lith.org/how-do-i/make-a-payment. Residents may also mail or utilize the drop box located at the Village Hall drive entrance to

deliver payments to staff. Additionally, both First National Bank locations, as well as the Home State Bank within Lake in the Hills, may also be utilized as drop off locations.

Building permits and essential inspections continue through the Village's Community Development Department. Residents and contractors may utilize the Public Portal for online permits, scheduling inspections, and license applications (https://www.lith.org/public-portal). A PDF building permit application is available online for projects not available through the public portal. Completed applications and materials may be emailed to cd@lith.org. Applicants may provide oversized plan drawings via the Village's drop box located at the Village Hall Drive entrance. For drawings unable to fit in the drop box, applicants may contact customer service at 847-960-7400 to coordinate delivery.

The Village continues to support local businesses during the COVID-19 pandemic. Visit <u>business.lithplan.org</u> to view our directory of open Lake in the Hills businesses and find their contact information. For more information on guidance for businesses and answers to frequently asked questions, visit the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) <u>website</u>.

Regular updates on the Village's actions taken in response to the COVID-19 outbreak will be posted at lith.org/coronavirus and on social media.

As always, the health and safety of the community remains as one of the Village's top priorities. The public is strongly encouraged to take all precautions advised by the CDC and IDPH and to follow all mandates to help slow the spread of COVID-19. A directory of resources by public health agency is available at <a href="https://linkapsu.com/

For questions regarding the COVID-19 virus, please call the Illinois Department of Public Health coronavirus hotline at 1-800-889-3931 or email DPH.SICK@ILLINOIS.GOV to have all your COVID-19 questions answered.