



Annual Report

PUBLIC WORKS



MISSION STATEMENT AND CORE VALUES

MISSION

Our mission is to enhance the community's quality of life and potential through innovative leadership and exceptional service.

CORE VALUES

We uphold these ideals through core values of respect, active listening, and ethical decision-making, ensuring thoughtful and responsible service to the community.

VISION

Our vision is a thriving, diverse, and connected community that honors its heritage while embracing the future.

The Village of Mount Prospect's Mission, Vision, and Core Values provide the foundation for the Department of Public Works and guide our projects and initiatives each year. With strong leadership and a dedicated team, we serve the community's best interests while fostering growth and progress. We set achievable goals that support the Village's development, embracing shared values and ideas that strengthen the place we call home.



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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

On behalf of the entire team at the Mount Prospect Public Works Department, I am pleased to present our Annual Report for 2024. This year has been a year of progress, innovation, and dedication to maintaining and enhancing the quality of life in our community.

As we reflect on the past year, we are proud of the accomplishments we've made in improving our infrastructure, ensuring safety, and providing services that support our residents and local businesses. Our department remains committed to delivering the highest level of service and keeping Mount Prospect a great place to live, work, and play.

Together, we are building a stronger, more sustainable, and vibrant future.



Key Accomplishments of 2024:

1. **Infrastructure Enhancements:** In 2024, we completed several key projects aimed at improving the reliability and safety of our roads, bridges, and public facilities. Major transportation projects were completed including the Rand-Central-Mt Prospect Road intersection, and we successfully completed potable water interconnect with the Northwest Water Commission fully redundant water system utilizing Lake Michigan water.
2. **Sustainability Efforts:** Environmental stewardship remains a top priority. This year, we continued to offer one of the most robust recycling programs in the Chicago metro area, including organics collection, prescription medication, plastic bags and sharps. We also installed new energy-efficient street lighting and facility lighting.
3. **Staff Training & Development:** Our staff is our greatest asset, and we continued to invest in their professional development. Throughout 2024, we facilitated numerous training sessions focused on safety, customer service, and new technologies, ensuring our team remains prepared to meet the evolving needs of our community.
4. **Community Engagement:** One of the most rewarding aspects of this year was the increased engagement with our community. Whether through open houses, public meetings, or our online feedback tools, we've worked hard to listen to residents and respond to their needs. Your feedback continues to shape the direction of our projects and initiatives.

Looking Ahead

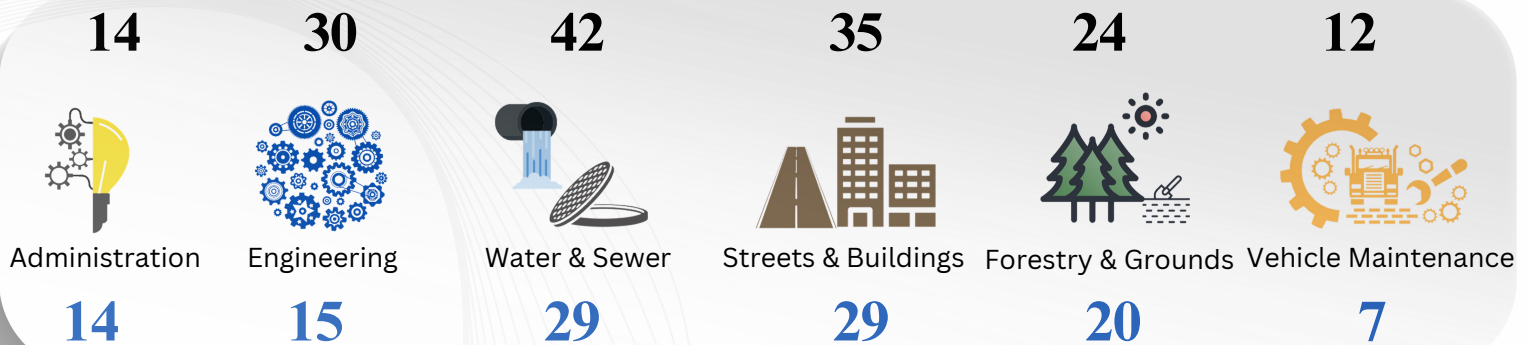
As we enter 2025, we are excited about the upcoming projects and challenges. We will continue to focus on enhancing the resilience of our infrastructure, increasing sustainability efforts, and improving overall service delivery. Additionally, we are committed to fostering collaboration with local organizations and residents to ensure Mount Prospect remains a thriving community for years to come.

I want to take a moment to thank all the dedicated individuals within the Public Works Department for their hard work and passion, as well as the Mount Prospect community for their continued support and trust. Together, we are building a stronger, more sustainable, and vibrant future.

STRATEGIC PLAN

A strategic plan was developed to establish realistic expectations and serve as a blueprint for Public Works operations. The overall goals and objectives of the plan drive the programs, and work initiated each division spearheads every year. It allows us to be more effective and efficient in our daily operations.

Total Projects Per Division



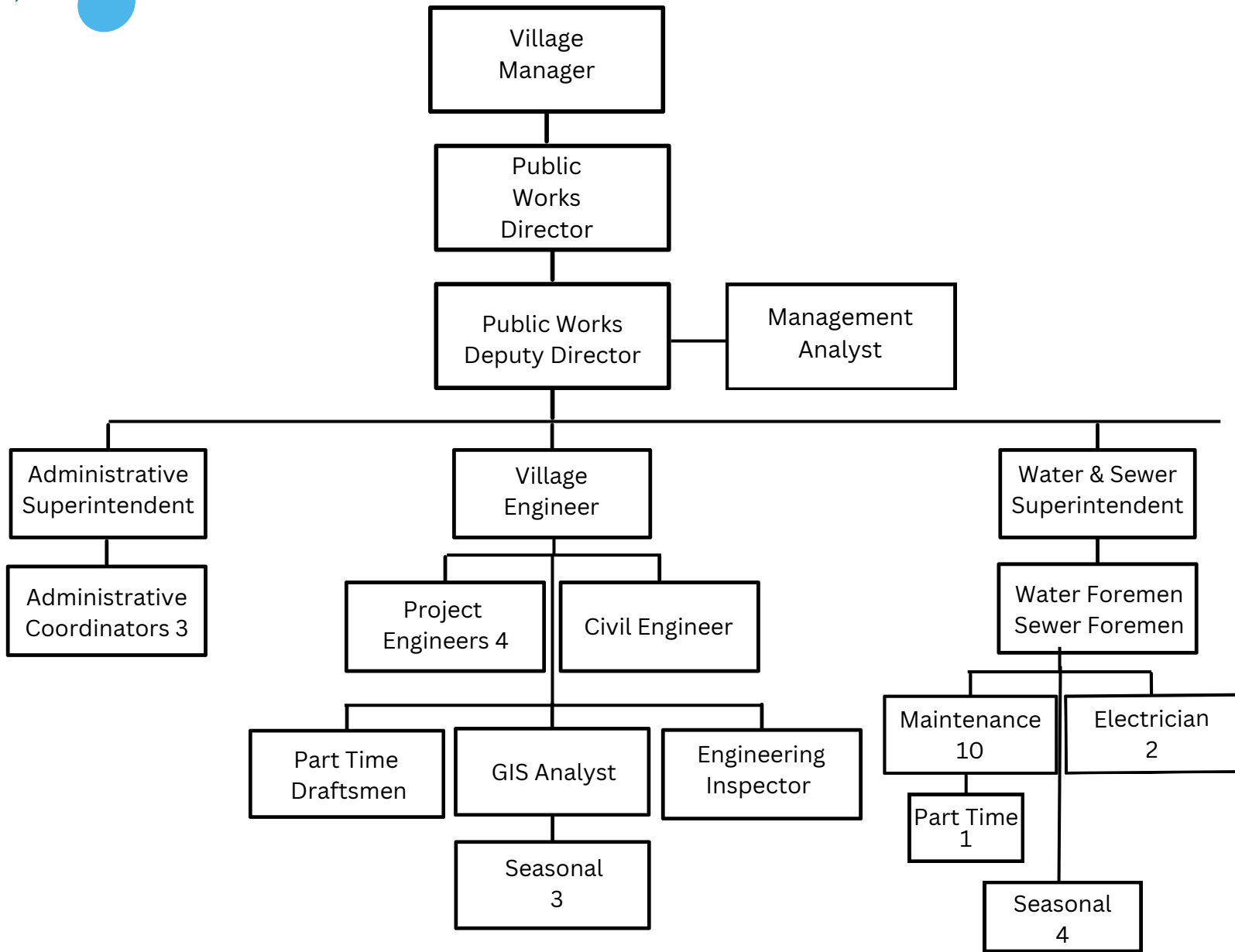
Total Projects Completed

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

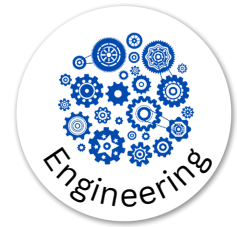


A Capital Improvement Project (CIP) is a large-scale investment in public infrastructure, facilities, or essential services aimed at maintaining, improving, or expanding the community's assets. These projects typically involve significant planning, design, and construction, making them multi-year efforts rather than quick, single-year tasks. Public Works manages numerous capital projects, which often extend beyond a single fiscal year due to their complexity, funding cycles, and construction timelines. Since these projects require long-term coordination, many are carried over from year to year. This explains why the total number of capital projects may seem high compared to the number of projects completed in any given year. The ongoing nature of capital improvements ensures that essential infrastructure—such as roads, water systems, and public facilities—remains functional, safe, and capable of supporting the community's growth.

ORGANIZATIONAL

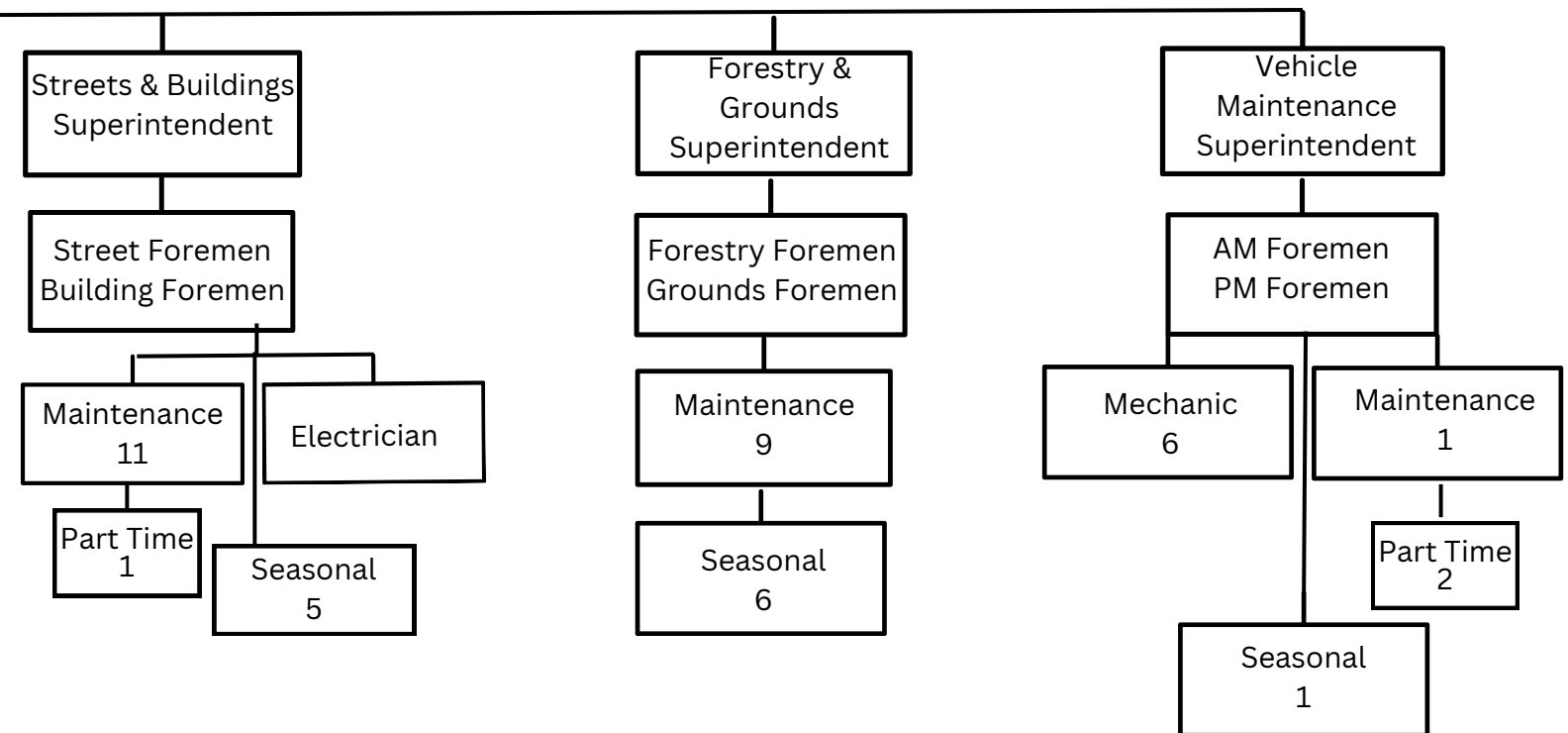


SIX OPERATIONAL



CHART

BY THE NUMBERS



DIVISIONS



FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

The Public Works Department operates effectively within two distinct budgets. The Community Investment Program (CIP) funds major projects related to Village assets such as water mains, streets, and trees, while the Operating Budget covers day-to-day expenses, including tools and equipment. Together, these budgets support the department's wide-ranging responsibilities in maintaining the infrastructure, health, safety, and overall well-being of the Village of Mount Prospect.

OPERATING BUDGET

Percent of Expenditures by Division

Water & Sewer 43%
Administration 21%
Streets & Buildings 15%
Vehicle Maintenance 9%
Forestry & Grounds 7%
Engineering 5%



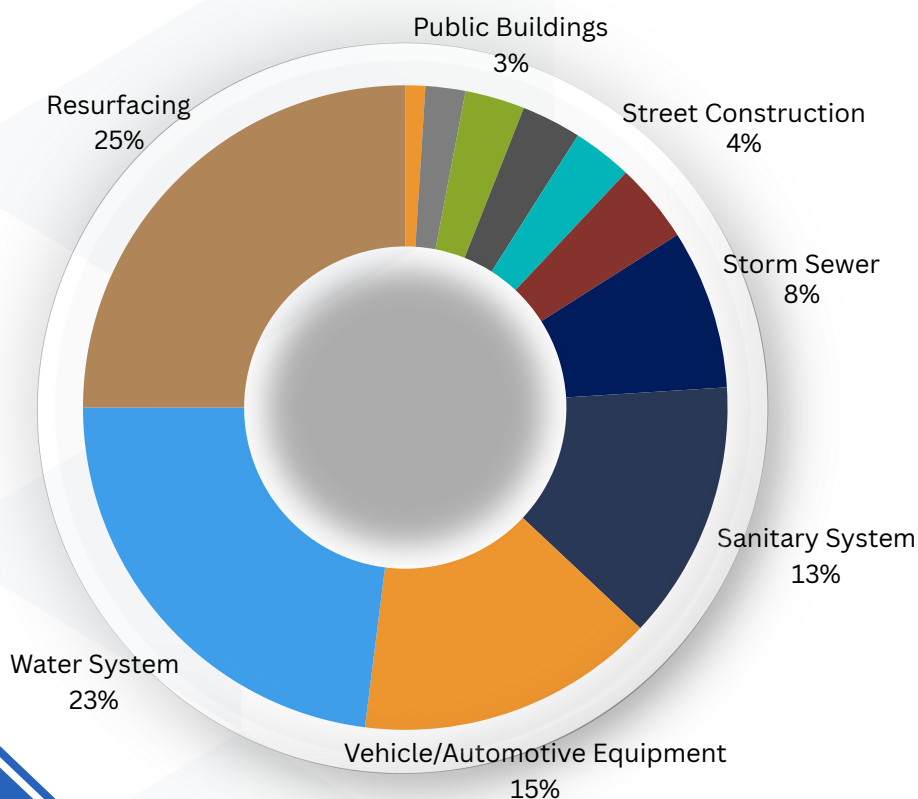
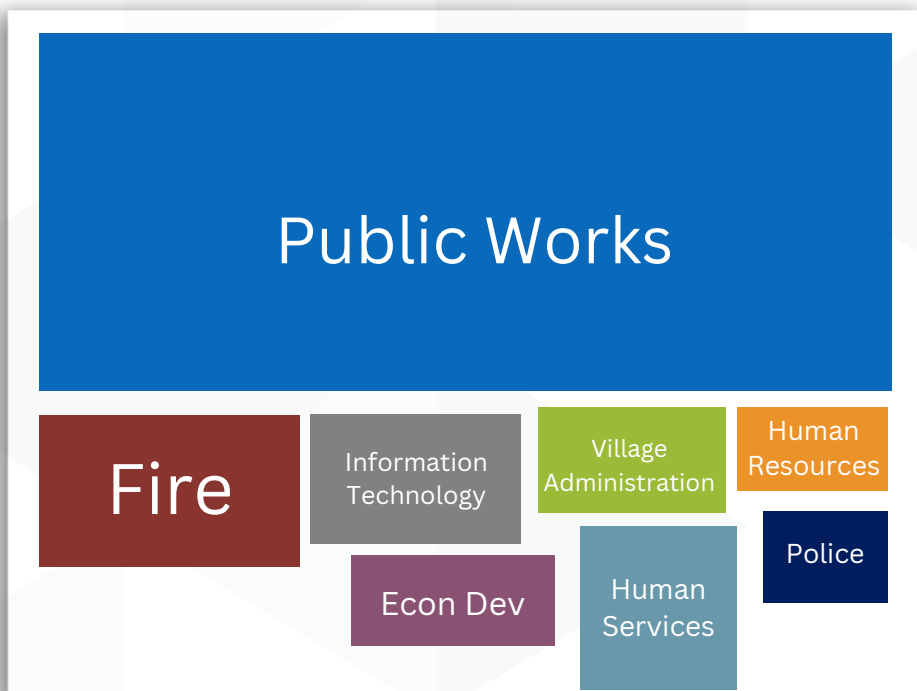
Total Amount of Expenditures per Division

Given the department's ongoing maintenance operations, financial transparency remains a top priority. Like any well-managed organization, Public Works ensures responsible stewardship of these budgets to best serve the community. Each division, and some sub-divisions, receive a fixed allocation annually. The accompanying charts illustrate the distinction between the CIP and Operating Budget, both of which are carefully planned and managed to support the department's continued growth and success.

COMMUNITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM

CIP Funds per Department

Police \$22,000
Human Resources \$30,000
Human Services \$100,000
Village Administration \$350,000
Information Technology \$371,500
Econ Dev/Planning & Zoning \$450,000
Fire \$1,050,000
Public Works \$33,052,722



AWARDS

National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Rating System Class 6 Designation

The Village of Mount Prospect voluntarily participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) as part of the Community Rating System (CRS). The CRS program aims to reduce flood damage to insurable properties, strengthen the NFIP's insurance framework, and promote comprehensive floodplain management. The NFIP evaluates 18 activities designed to minimize flood risk, assigning credit points based on effectiveness. These activities are grouped into four main categories: Public Information, Mapping and Regulation, Flood Damage Reduction, and Flood Preparedness. Based on the total credit points earned, FEMA assigns a CRS classification to each municipality, which directly impacts flood insurance premium discounts for residents.

As of 2025, Mount Prospect proudly maintains a Class 6 CRS designation, resulting in a 20% discount on flood insurance premiums for properties within the floodplain and a 5% discount for properties outside the floodplain. This designation reflects the Village's ongoing commitment to proactive flood management and community resilience.



2025 Tree City USA Recognition

For the 40th consecutive year, Public Works proudly accepted the Tree City USA Recognition Award during the Arbor Day Celebration in April. This prestigious national honor, presented by the Arbor Day Foundation, recognizes communities dedicated to exceptional urban forest management and the long-term care of their tree canopy. Mount Prospect earned this award by consistently meeting Tree City USA standards, demonstrating a strong commitment to reforestation, sustainability, and proactive tree care. With approximately 25,000 trees, the Village's certified arborists lead efforts to preserve, protect, and enhance the urban forest, ensuring its longevity for future generations.

Urban trees provide countless environmental and community benefits, including improving air quality, reducing stormwater runoff, increasing property values, and creating vibrant public spaces. Through ongoing investment in tree management, Mount Prospect continues to cultivate a thriving, diverse, and resilient urban forest that enhances the quality of life for all residents.





2025 Growth Award

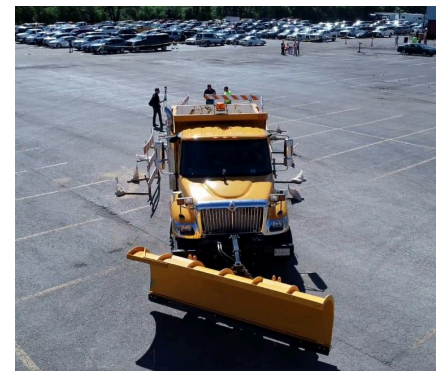
The Tree City Growth Award, presented by the Arbor Day Foundation, recognizes Tree City USA communities that go above and beyond in urban tree care and management. The Village of Mount Prospect remains committed to enhancing its forestry programs and continually advancing best practices in tree care. For the 18th time, Public Works received the Growth Award in recognition of our arborists' dedication to continuing education. Village staff regularly attend training seminars, earning continuing education credits to stay current on the latest urban forestry trends and best practices.

ROADEO Competition

The Chicago Metropolitan Chapter of the American Public Works Association (APWA) sponsors and hosts an annual Conference and Equipment Expo. As part of this event, Mount Prospect Public Works takes the lead in organizing the Snowplow and Loader Competition for northwest municipalities. Our team manages many aspects of the competition, ensuring a well-executed and challenging event.

The Loader Competition evaluates operators on their equipment safety knowledge, mechanical operation skills, and ability to maneuver a front-end loader through a precision obstacle course. The Snowplow Competition tests two-member teams on their vehicle safety knowledge, mechanical understanding of snow control equipment, and driving ability. Teams navigate a snowplow-equipped truck through a course with parked cars while also completing a 100-question multiple-choice written exam based on current Illinois CDL driving rules. Scores from each portion are combined to determine the winners of both events.

Sean Eisen and Keith Nichols from our Vehicle Maintenance team took first place in the Snowplow Competition. Danny Murphy and Ashar Chaudry placed fourth. Blain Brolin from our Streets & Buildings Division finished 11th out of 27 competitors in the Loader Competition. Steve Kasso from our Streets & Buildings Division finished 13th out of 31 competitors in the Backhoe Competition.



GRANTS

Grants play a critical role in funding capital improvement projects, enabling the department to enhance roads, water mains, stormwater systems, and urban forestry initiatives without relying solely on municipal budgets. These funds help accelerate project timelines, support innovation, and improve the overall resilience and sustainability of the community's infrastructure. By actively pursuing grants, the Village can invest in long-term improvements that enhance public safety, environmental stewardship, and overall quality of life while ensuring that essential projects remain on track for completion. Public Works monitors available grants and submits applications whenever possible, securing funding to support essential infrastructure projects. Many Public Works Department projects are either fully or partially funded through grants, allowing the Village to maximize resources while minimizing the financial burden on local taxpayers.



\$785,000 Prospect Meadows / Elm / Lancaster Neighborhood Drainage Improvements

The Village continues to implement proactive flood mitigation strategies to reduce flooding and improve stormwater management. Key initiatives include the installation of storm sewers and catch basins, replacement of driveway culverts, and regrading of ditches to alleviate localized neighborhood flooding and enhance overall drainage. By improving drainage flow within the Village's storm system, these efforts help minimize the potential for future street flooding, protect properties, and increase community resilience against heavy rainfall and severe weather events. Ongoing investments in infrastructure upgrades ensure a more efficient, reliable, and sustainable stormwater management system for residents.

\$788,000 Storm Sewer Lining

In 2023, the Village applied for a grant from the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity to support storm sewer lining and was awarded funding in 2024. This grant will enable the Village to rehabilitate sections of its aging storm sewer system, some of which are between 50 and 100 years old. Storm sewer lining is a cost-effective and environmentally responsible method for extending the lifespan of existing infrastructure while reducing long-term maintenance costs. By using Cured-In-Place Pipe (CIPP) lining, the Village can repair deteriorating pipes without the extensive costs and disruptions of traditional removal and replacement. This project is essential for effective stormwater management, flood prevention, and property protection, ensuring continued water quality and infrastructure reliability.

The Village completed an energy audit to identify opportunities for improving energy efficiency and operational performance in public buildings. This initiative aligns with the Strategic Plan and Sustainability Plan, reinforcing the Village's commitment to environmental stewardship and responsible governance while working toward a more sustainable future. The audit assessed seven public buildings, with a focus on Fire Station 14 and Fire Station 11, which are designated to receive grant funding for energy upgrades. Recommended energy conservation measures at Station 14 include upgrading the boiler, water heater, LED lighting, and Building Automation System (BAS), while Station 11 will receive a BAS upgrade. These enhancements will improve building energy performance, lower long-term operational costs, and advance the Village's sustainability goals through smarter resource management. In 2024, the Village secured a \$116,860 Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant to support these initiatives.

Surface Transportation Program

\$249,828 Central Road Resurfacing Project



Chicago Metropolitan
Agency for Planning

In the summer of 2024, the Village of Mount Prospect resurfaced Central Road from Westgate Road to Wolf Road—the only segment of Central Road under Village jurisdiction—as part of a critical infrastructure investment focused on enhancing safety, accessibility, and overall roadway performance. This multifaceted project includes the removal and replacement of the existing asphalt overlay, targeted base patching, curb and gutter repairs, and ADA-compliant sidewalk ramp upgrades to ensure the corridor is accessible to all users. These improvements not only enhance driving conditions and pedestrian safety but also contribute to long-term infrastructure resilience and community livability. Acknowledging the value of proactive maintenance and smart investment, the Village secured a Surface Transportation Program (STP) grant in 2022, for \$564,465, and an additional \$249,828 in 2024 which covered 75% of construction costs—demonstrating how leveraging grant opportunities can significantly reduce the financial impact on local taxpayers while delivering high-quality public improvements.



US Congressional Discretionary Funding

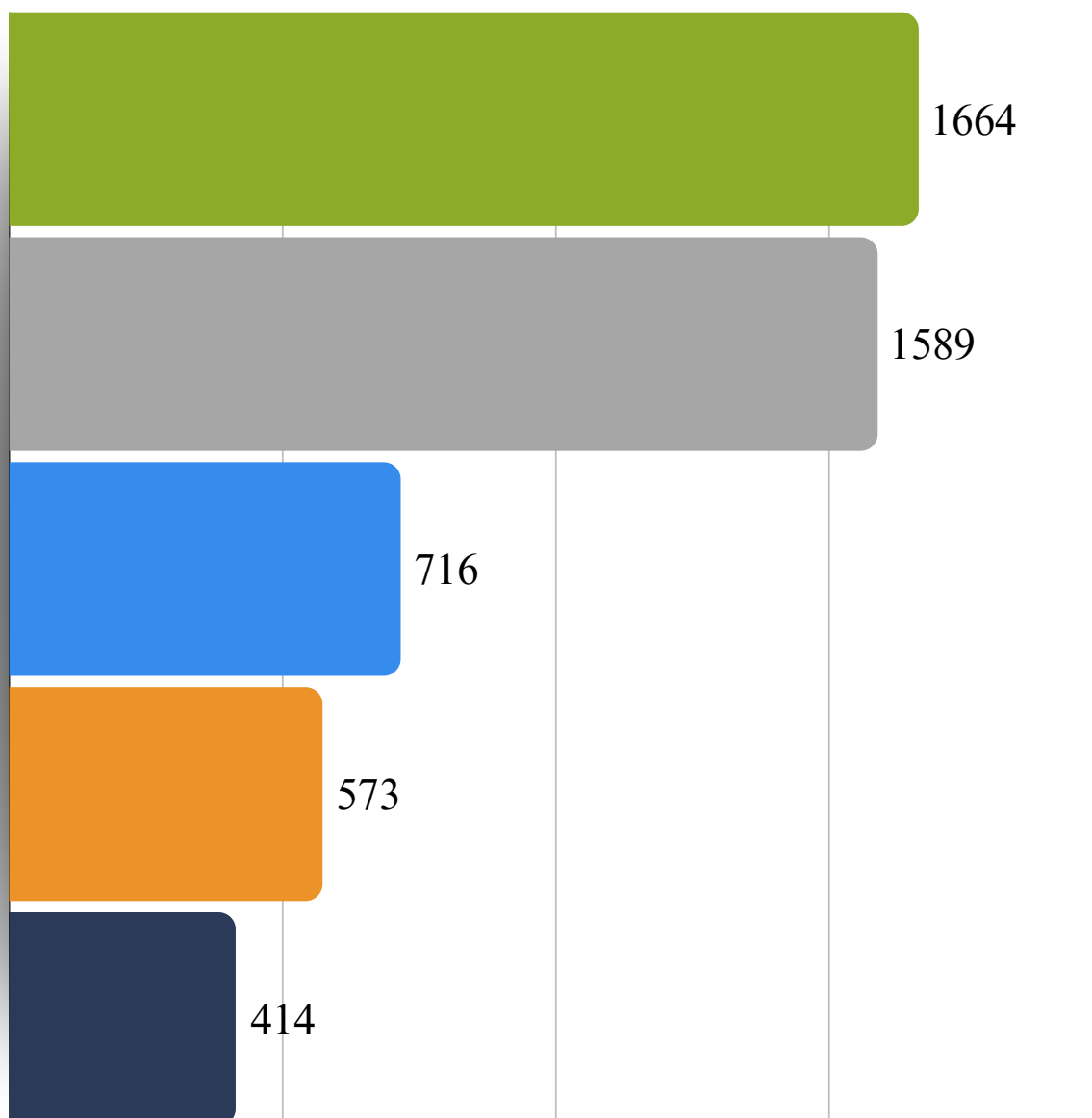
\$517,400 Melas-Meadows Pedestrian Bridge Project

The Village of Mount Prospect's Comprehensive Plan and Bicycle Plan highlight the need for improved pedestrian and bicycle connections between parks, schools, and neighboring communities. A key challenge is the lack of a safe crossing between Meadows Park and Melas Park, which Northwest Highway and the Union Pacific Railroad tracks separate. To address this, the Village aims to construct a pedestrian bridge at the northeast corner of Melas Park and the southwest corner of Meadows Park. Melas Park features the Art Studio, soccer fields, baseball and softball diamonds, a dog park, and walking paths. Project stakeholders include the Village of Mount Prospect, Mount Prospect Park District, Village of Arlington Heights, Arlington Heights Park District, School Districts 57 and 214, Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), Union Pacific Railroad, and MWRD. To fund the project, the Village has secured \$8,613,224 in grants. This includes \$3,000,000 from the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program, \$3,000,000 from Grade Protection Fund (IL Commerce Commission), \$2,033,824 from the Surface Transportation Program, and \$517,400 from the 2024 Congressional Appropriations bill, and \$62,000 from the Invest in Cook Program,

PROGRESS

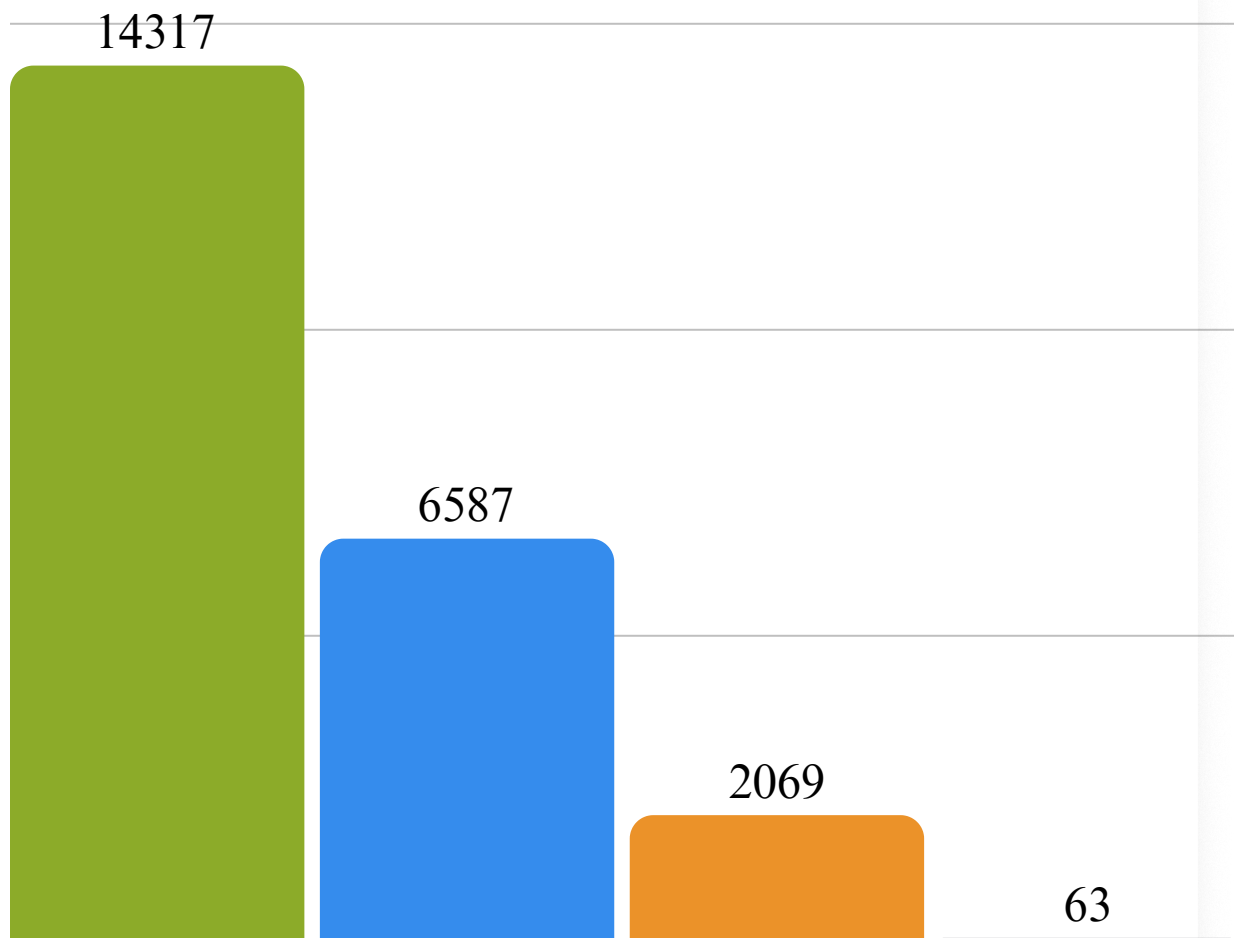
Service Requests

- Forestry & Grounds
- Solid Waste
- Water & Sewer
- Streets & Buildings
- Engineering



WORK ORDERS

- Forestry & Grounds
- Water & Sewer
- Streets & Buildings
- Engineering



BUILD Engineering



Rand / Central Road / Mount Prospect Road Intersection Improvements

In 2017, the Village of Mount Prospect initiated a comprehensive, multi-year Capital Improvement Project to address traffic challenges at the intersections of Rand Road, Central Road, and Mount Prospect Road, collectively known as the "triangle." These closely spaced intersections frequently experienced congestion, blocked intersections, and poor vehicle progression. Despite previous timing adjustments by the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), significant improvements were necessary to enhance traffic flow and safety. Phase I, focusing on Preliminary Engineering, commenced in 2020. This phase involved a detailed analysis of the existing traffic patterns and roadway conditions, and the development of potential improvement strategies.



The project introduced several significant enhancements:

- **Roadway Widening and Resurfacing:** Rand Road, Central Road, and Mount Prospect Road underwent widening and received new asphalt overlays to improve vehicle capacity and ride quality.
- **Traffic Signal Modernization:** The three primary intersections were equipped with updated traffic signals to optimize traffic flow and reduce congestion. Additionally, new traffic signals were installed at the Mount Prospect Plaza entrance on Central Road and at the west Walmart entrance on Rand Road to enhance access and safety.
- **Pedestrian and Bicycle Infrastructure:** New sidewalks and crosswalks were constructed to improve pedestrian safety and accessibility. A dedicated bike path along Rand Road was also added to promote cycling and provide a safer route for bicyclists.
- **Lighting and Drainage Improvements:** The project included the installation of new street lighting along Rand Road from Central Road to Business Center Drive, enhancing visibility and safety for all road users. Drainage systems were also upgraded to prevent water accumulation and improve stormwater management.



These comprehensive improvements have significantly enhanced the transportation network within Mount Prospect, benefiting motorists, pedestrians, cyclists, transit riders, and local businesses. The successful completion of this project underscores the Village's commitment to infrastructure development and public safety, ensuring a more efficient and safer transportation system for all community members.



Engineering

By the Numbers



Roads
Resurfaced
7.14 miles

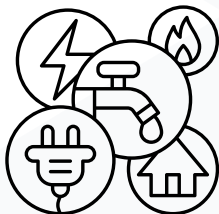


Reconstructed
Sidewalks
30,847 LF

New Sidewalks
3,100 LF



Private Property
Permit Reviews
607



Utility Permit
Reviews
607



Oxcart Overweight
Permit Reviews
159

BUILD

Water & Sewer

Northwest Water Commission Interconnect Project

The Village of Mount Prospect partnered with two regional water suppliers—the Northwest Water Commission (NWC) and the Northwest Suburban Municipal Joint Action Water Agency (NSMJAWA)—to complete a critical emergency water interconnection that significantly strengthens the Village’s water supply infrastructure. This physical connection allows the Village to receive treated Lake Michigan water from either agency in the event of a disruption to its primary supply, such as during maintenance, system failure, or other emergencies. By reducing reliance on aging backup groundwater wells, the project improves system redundancy, enhances long-term water reliability, and ensures uninterrupted service to residents and businesses. Resilient infrastructure like this remains essential for safeguarding public health, supporting sustainability goals, and preparing for the increasing challenges posed by climate variability and aging systems.

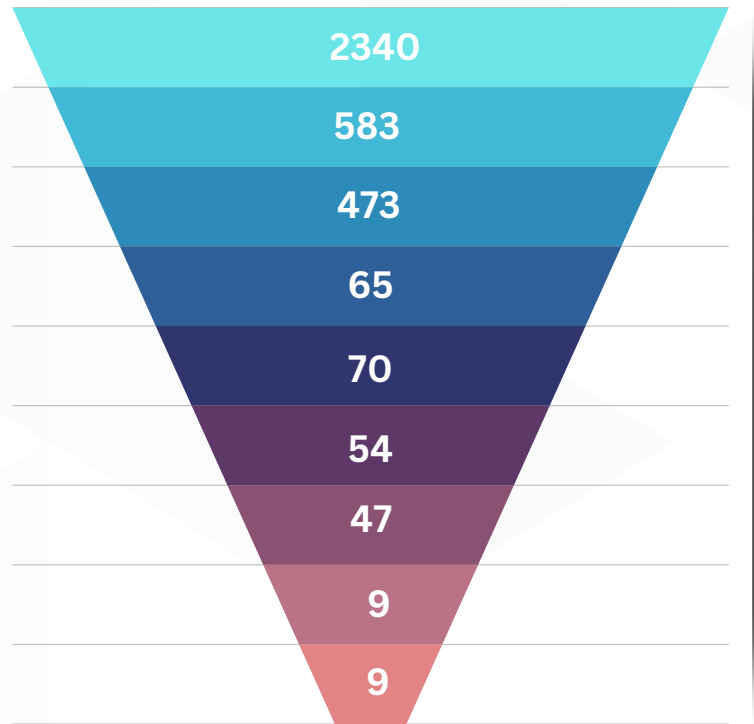


To bring this initiative to life, the Village awarded the construction contract to Airy’s, Inc., a trusted underground general contractor. Work began in the fall of 2023 with the installation of a new water main along Elmhurst Avenue, between Kensington Road and Highland Avenue, and continued with key upgrades at Pump Station No. 5, located at Highland Street and Emerson Street. Following rigorous pressure testing and disinfection to ensure system safety, final restoration efforts—including street paving and parkway repair—were completed with minimal disruption to residents. This vital project not only reinforces Mount Prospect’s water delivery system but also exemplifies the Village’s commitment to investing in critical infrastructure that protects the well-being of residents today and in the future.

Water & Sewer

By the Numbers

Hydrants Inspected
Meters Replaced
Clear Water Inspections
LED Street Lights Installed
Water Main Breaks Repaired
Streetlights Repaired
Lead Service Lines Replaced
B-Boxes Repaired
Hydrants Replaced



1,262,220,000 gallons of water usage via JAWA

5 booster pump stations



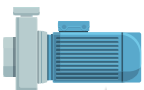
5 emergency interconnects

70 miles of separate sanitary sewer (wastewater only)



52 miles of combined sanitary sewer (waste & stormwater)

73 total basins in the collections system



1 sanitary sewer lift station

8 sanitary sewer relief stations

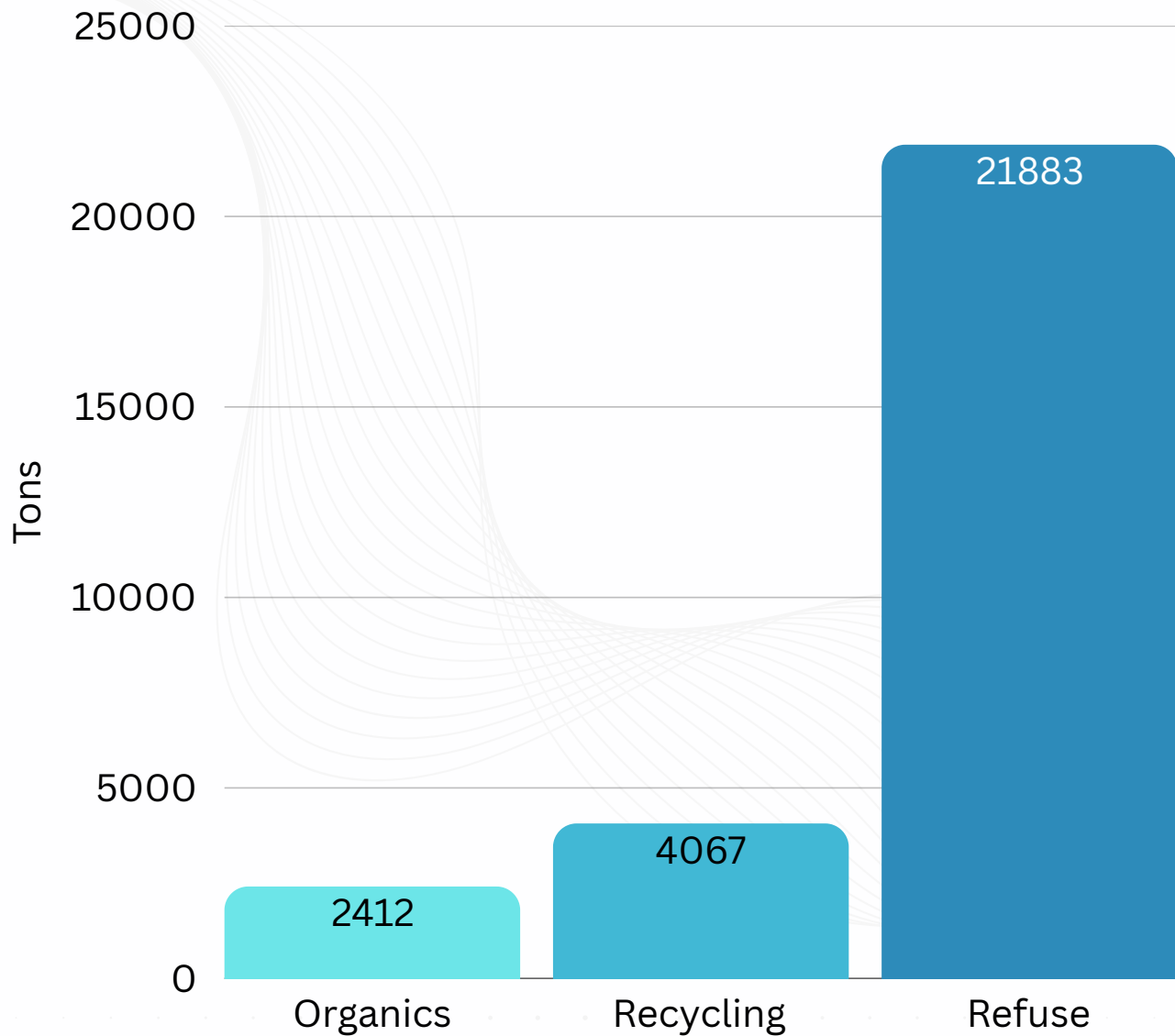


Administration

Recycling Programs



Administration By the Numbers



SUSTAIN Forestry & Grounds

Klehm's Island Installation & Rehabilitation

The Village of Mount Prospect Public Works Department revitalized a key green space with a fresh landscape design and installation, blending aesthetics with sustainability. The design concept was thoughtfully crafted by Public Works personnel with a focus on integrating updated hardscape surfaces with a diverse, eco-friendly planting scheme, creating a visually appealing and environmentally beneficial space. The selected plant species were carefully chosen for their resilience, requiring minimal annual maintenance, thriving in drought conditions, and eliminating the need for additional fertilizers. The landscape features a mix of native perennials, native cultivars, and perennial cultivars, all selected for their beauty and ability to attract pollinators such as butterflies, bees, and birds. Woody shrubs, ornamental trees, and native grasses provide essential habitat and refuge for local wildlife, contributing to the ecological balance of the area. By prioritizing sustainable landscaping practices, this project enhances biodiversity, promotes pollinator-friendly environments, and supports long-term environmental stewardship within the Village.



Who is Carl Klehm?



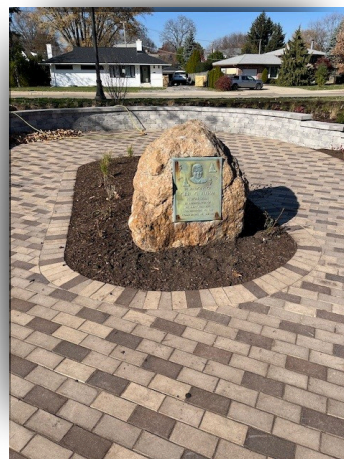
Carl G. Klehm was a renowned plantsman and third-generation nurseryman from Illinois, celebrated for his deep passion for horticulture and commitment to preserving botanical beauty for future generations. Building on his family's legacy, Klehm focused on the cultivation and hybridization of peonies, trees, and ornamental plants. Over time, the peony collection grew into an impressive and diverse array, naturally leading to the breeding of new varieties. Carl registered his first peonies in 1951—a process that reflects years of careful work, as developing a new peony cultivar can take 10 to 30 years from concept to distribution. Under his leadership, many beautiful and innovative varieties were introduced. Carl remained at the helm of the nursery until passing the reins to the next generation, Roy and Sarah Klehm.



After

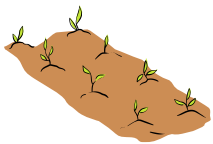
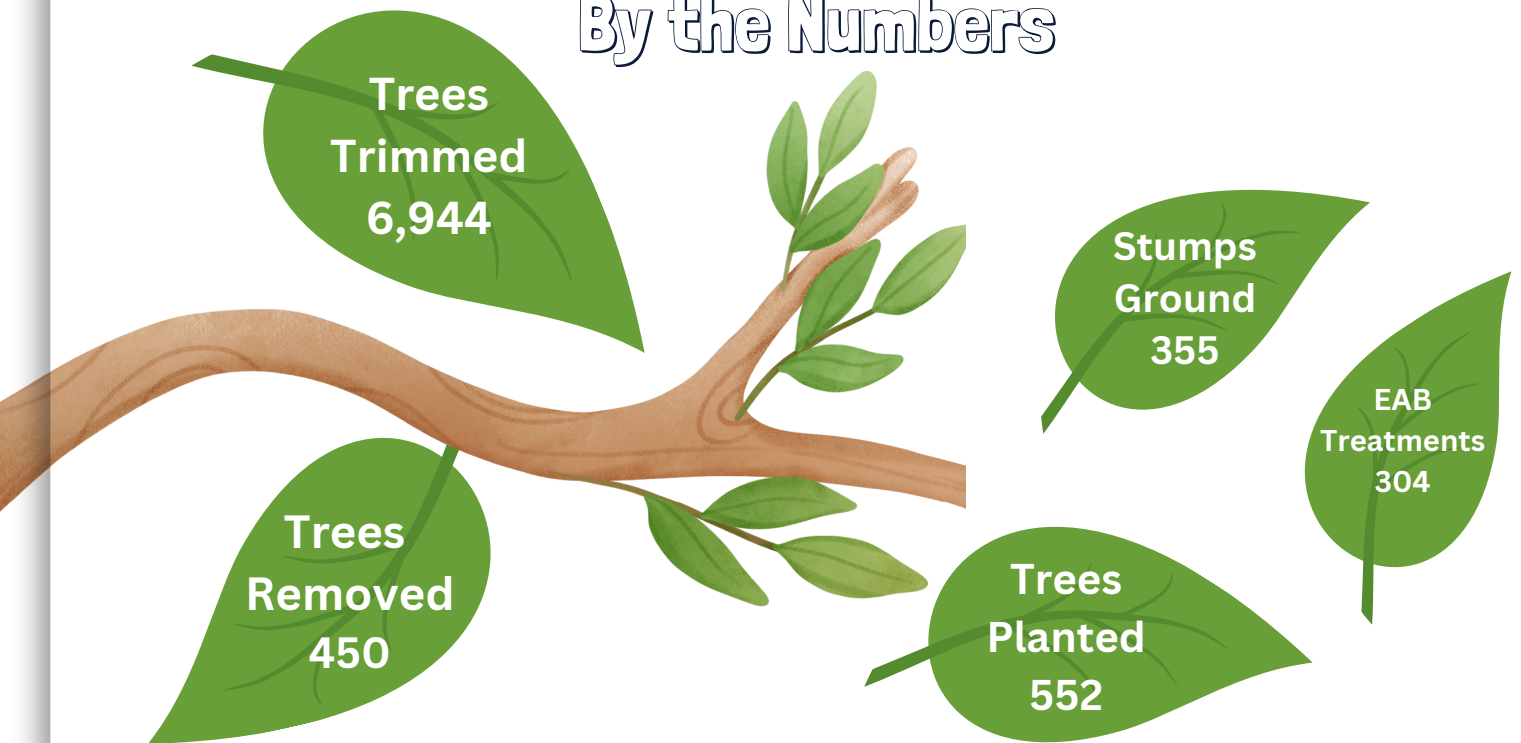


Before



Forestry & Grounds

By the Numbers



Acres of planting beds: 6.3 acres

Number of annuals planted: 17,447



Number of perennials planted: 3,863

Acres of turf maintained: 56 acres



Holiday lights: 2,326 strands

Parkway restorations: 154 sites



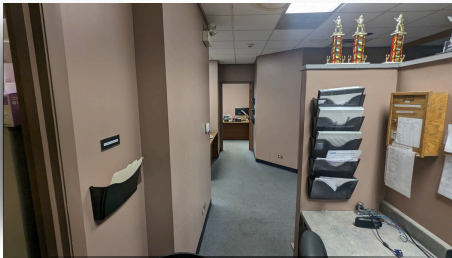
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Streets & Building Maintenance

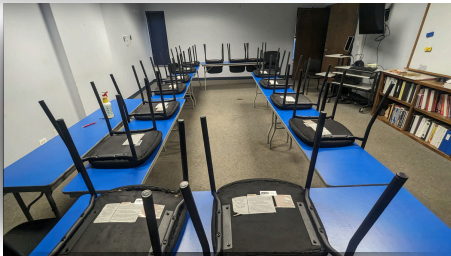
Station 11



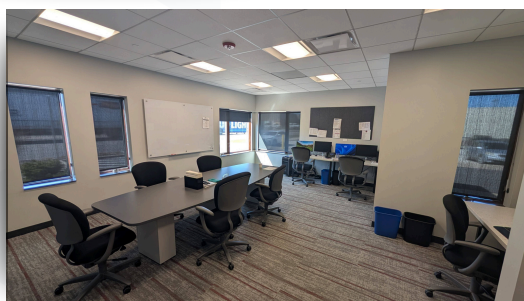
In 2024, Mount Prospect officially became the primary provider of fire and emergency medical services for the Elk Grove Rural Fire Protection District, acquiring Fire Station 11 at 1415 East Algonquin Road. The facility required significant renovations to meet the Village's operational standards. The Village Board approved a guaranteed maximum price of \$1.73 million for the remodeling project, with substantial savings achieved by utilizing in-house labor from the Public Works Department. The renovation commenced in January 2024 and concluded in July 2024, transforming the station into a modern facility with updated living quarters, an open-concept interior, and enhanced training spaces. The successful completion of this project underscores Mount Prospect's commitment to enhancing public safety infrastructure while exercising fiscal responsibility.



Before



During



After

Streets & Buildings Maintenance

By the Numbers



12 SNOW EVENTS:

Salt: 2,124 tons

Liquid anti-icing: 32,278 gallons

Ice melt bags: 96

Miles driven: 10,434 miles

STREET SIGN REPLACEMENTS - Brown Section

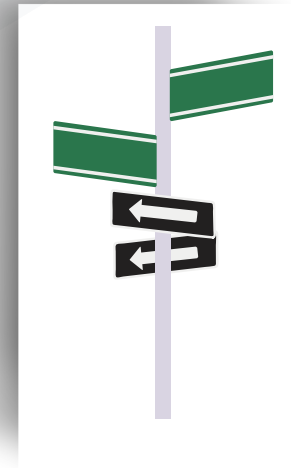
Street name: 835

Stop: 159

Speed limit: 88

School crossing: 6

Total signs: 1,088



STREET SWEEPING

Sweeps per season: 11 times down each street

Miles per sweep: 328 miles

Total miles driven: 3,280 miles

Debris Collected: 880 cu yd

LEAF COLLECTION

Total tons: 1,935 tons

Miles driven: 16,934 miles

Trips to compost facility: 1,387



MAINTAIN

Vehicle Maintenance

Highway Truck Build

The latest addition to the Village's fleet is the International HV 607 6X4, which underwent extensive modifications to optimize its performance for snow and ice control. Components from the old truck (2728), including the V-hopper salt spreader and underbody scraper, were transferred to the new truck (2753). The upgrade included installing an underbody scraper, front plow frame, hydraulics, pre-wet system, Force America plow controller, strobe and warning lights, a camera system, plow lights, and rear fenders. To ensure a perfect fit, Public Works fabricated custom brackets for the underbody scraper, front plow frame, front bumper, and rear fenders. The final step involved painting the underbody scraper, plow brackets, front bumper, and plow frame, ensuring both durability and a professional finish.



Vehicle Maintenance By the Numbers

Preventative Maintenance Work

Public Works operates a comprehensive Preventive Maintenance Program to ensure the safety, reliability, and longevity of all Village fleet vehicles, including those for Public Works, Fire, and Police. We track services such as oil changes, tire rotations, filter replacements, and all equipment receiving regular scheduled inspections to minimize downtime, extend service life, and reinforce our commitment to proactive maintenance and operational readiness.

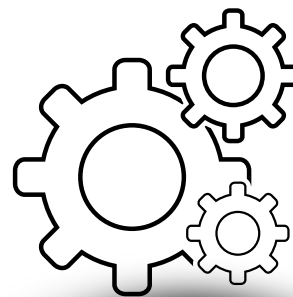


FOR SALE

SUMMARY OF SALES

Vehicles sold: \$136,682

Trade-ins: \$20,000

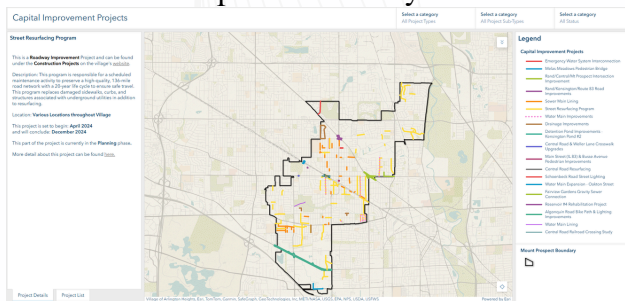


OUTREACH

In alignment with the Village's Mission, Vision, and Core Values, we are dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for Mount Prospect residents through clear and effective communication. Recognizing the impact of our work on daily life, we strive to provide easy access to information, updates, and emergency notifications through multiple channels. Residents can stay informed via social media on Facebook and X, press releases, the Village website, and the Village newsletter.



For inquiries about infrastructure projects, garbage collection, parking, or community events, we encourage residents to visit and bookmark our webpage for the latest updates. Our Capital Improvements Map is continuously updated to reflect current and upcoming projects throughout the year. Most major projects also have dedicated webpages featuring interactive maps, weekly progress reports, timelines, and key contact information to keep residents informed. Additionally, our knowledgeable Public Works staff are always available to assist residents by phone or in person. Visitors to our offices will find informational materials and project brochures, all designed to promote transparency and keep the community engaged. Our commitment to accessibility and open communication ensures that residents have the resources they need to stay informed and connected with the services that impact their daily lives.



Public Works is dedicated to engaging with the community and inspiring future generations through hands-on learning experiences. One of our most exciting initiatives is the Ride to School event, where students get the unforgettable opportunity to be picked up and driven to school in a Public Works truck. This year, we hosted six Ride to School events, creating lasting memories for young residents while giving them a firsthand look at the vehicles and equipment that keep our Village running smoothly.

We also welcomed students from Holmes Junior High for an interactive career exploration visit. During this event, students learned about the diverse career paths within Public Works, from engineering and forestry to water and fleet services. They explored equipment, engaged in demonstrations, and discovered how Public Works plays a vital role in maintaining and improving community infrastructure. These events allow us to connect with students, spark interest in public service careers, and showcase the essential work that happens behind the scenes every day.

CELEBRATE

We take great pride in the diversity of our community and the sense of inclusion it fosters, weaving together a vibrant tapestry of cultures, traditions, and shared experiences. By celebrating our heritage and embracing the customs of others, we create meaningful connections that strengthen our community and enrich our collective identity.

Throughout the year, Public Works plays a vital role behind the scenes, ensuring that festivals, parades, and cultural celebrations run smoothly. From setting up event infrastructure to maintaining clean and safe public spaces, our team works tirelessly to support these cherished gatherings. These events not only bring people together but also serve as bridges between cultures, fostering understanding, unity, and a true sense of belonging for all who call Mount Prospect home.

Special Events



April – Arbor Day

May - Public Works Open House

June - Friday's On the Green

June- Household Hazardous Waste

July - 4th of July Parade

July - Downtown Block Party

August - Document Destruction Day

August – Celebration of Cultures

October - Pumpkin Recycling

November- Holiday Tree Lighting



