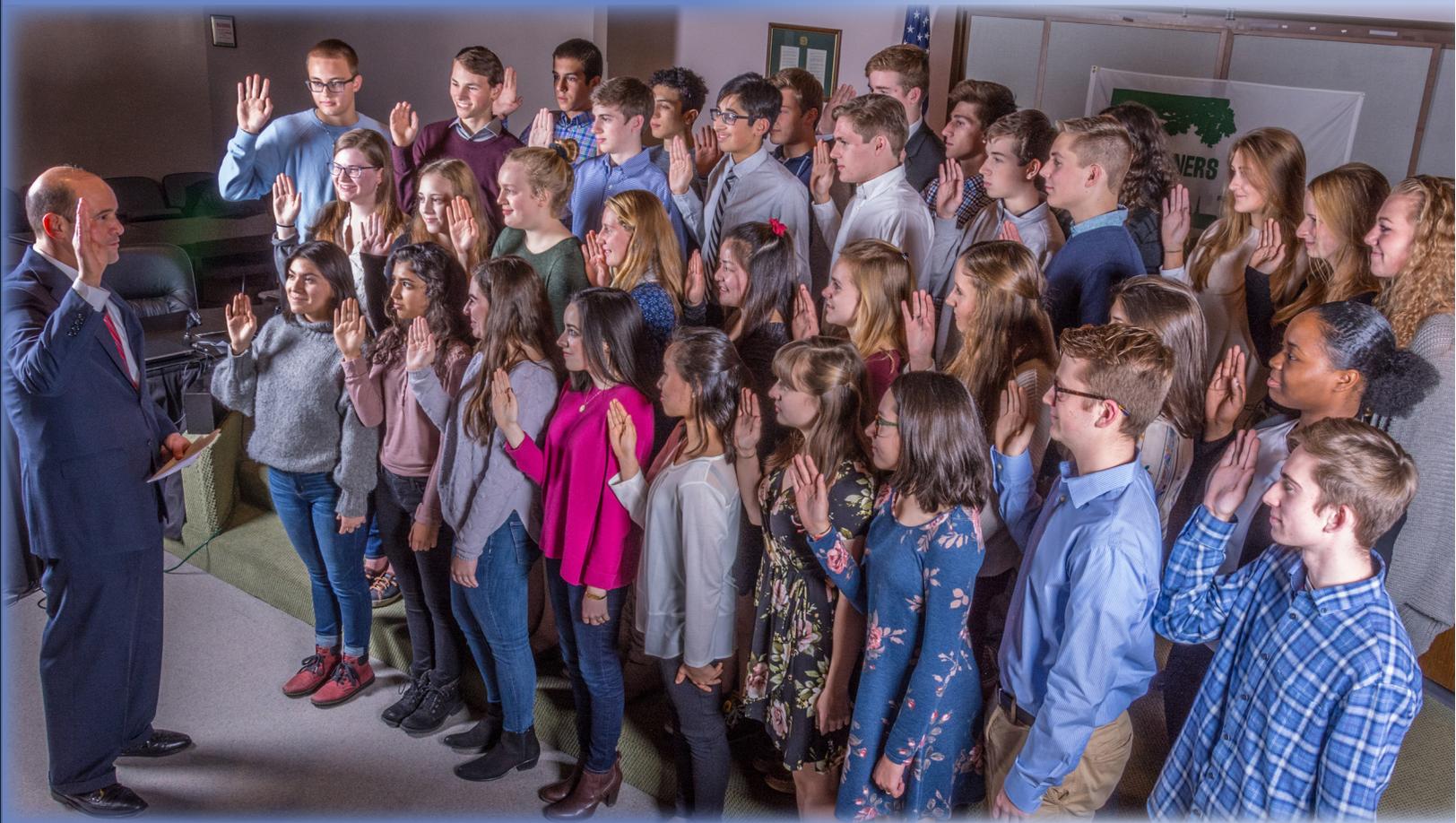


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2018 YEAR IN REVIEW



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The *2018 Year in Review* highlights the key accomplishments and significant measurable results of the past year. The achievements featured support the following goals of the *Long-Range Plan*:

- Steward of Financial, Environmental and Neighborhood Sustainability
- Exceptional Municipal Services
- Top Quality Infrastructure
- Strong, Diverse Local Economy
- Continual Innovation

The Village achieved significant results consistent with these goals. The many accomplishments of 2018 include:

- Approved *FY2019 Budget* with a Balanced General Fund with no increase in Property Taxes for Village operations for the eighth year in a row.
- Strengthened Stormwater Regulations for Residential Development.
- Updated Downtown Zoning to Ensure Future Development and Land Uses meet the Comprehensive Plan's *Vision for Downtown*.
- Invested \$14 million in Street, Sidewalk, Water and Stormwater System Improvements.
- Partnered with Neighboring Fire Department to Improve Emergency Response Times.

The successes of 2018 are the direct result of input and participation by the citizens of Downers Grove, effective Village Council leadership, and cooperative interactions among professional staff members in all departments.

Sincerely,



David Fieldman

Village Manager

AWARDS YOU CAN COUNT ON

The Village of Downers Grove consistently demonstrates financial excellence. In 2018, the Village earned a Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the 9th straight year as well as an Excellence in Financial Reporting Award for the 28th straight year.

DOWNERS GROVE The Standard in Financial Excellence



Holding the Line on Expenses

In keeping with the strategic goal of being a good *Steward of Financial, Environmental and Neighborhood Sustainability*, the FY2019 Budget was reviewed and discussed over many months. In fact, the budget and related tax levy were topics of discussion at nine public meetings, demonstrating the Village's commitment to an open, transparent and participative budget process.

The FY2019 Budget has a Balanced General Fund with revenues and expenses of \$48 million. For the 8th year in a row, there is no increase in the Property Tax Levy for Village Operations. However, an increase in the levy is required by state law for Public Safety Pensions. The General Fund will continue to be maintained at the recommended level of approximately 40% of annual expenses or \$19.1 million, which is an amount consistent with Standard & Poor's guidelines to keep the Village's AAA bond rating.

Also included for FY2019 is a net reduction of more than 3 full-time staff positions. The changes in staffing levels were prompted by several retirements in many departments and reflects

restructuring which resulted in maintaining service levels at a lower personnel cost.

As the Village holds the line on expenses, it will also continue to responsibly reinvest in the community. Substantial improvements in Village infrastructure for the coming year include \$4.25 million for streets, \$8.11 million for stormwater and \$8.53 million for the water system. The improvements are designed to reduce the total life cycle cost of owning and operating these infrastructure systems.

The Village Budget purposely aligns everyday operations and Village resources with the community priorities outlined in the Long-Range and Comprehensive Plans. Budget documents are available for review at downers.us and the Downers Grove Public Library.



Partnership Lowers Emergency Medical Response Times

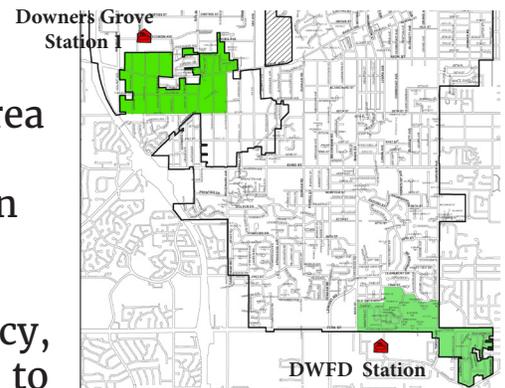


The Downers Grove Fire Department and Darien Woodridge Fire District (DWFD) began a partnership in May to improve response times for emergency medical services (EMS) in areas that have provided challenges for timely response. This new approach has proven effective at getting trained paramedics quickly to patients who are in need of urgent medical care.

Downers Grove Fire Chief Jeffrey Pindelski spoke to *insideDG* about this innovative approach to EMS service delivery.

What is the role of each department in this partnership?

Downers Grove aids DWFD in an unincorporated area of their jurisdiction (area in green by DG Station 1) and DWFD assists us in a portion of our jurisdiction at the southern part of town. (See Map.)



Because every second counts in a medical emergency, dispatchers send the department closest to the call to respond with personnel trained in Advanced Life Support. The department with jurisdiction still responds with an ambulance to transport the patient. The partnership only covers emergency medical calls and crossing traditional borders is no longer an issue.

How have response times improved in these areas?

On average, response times to these areas have improved by 2 minutes and 36 seconds and are now below 4 minutes. Through accepted industry standards and other criteria, we have established a 4:00 to 6:00 minute response time benchmark for all of Downers Grove. The project has also resulted in stronger working relationships and increased training opportunities between agencies.

How does each department know when and where to go?

Both the Downers Grove Fire Department and Darien Woodridge Fire District are now dispatched by DuComm, a consolidated dispatch center, and are now on the same radio channel. Clearly this is very good for citizens as emergency dispatching can be initiated by a single 911 call.

Pollinator Garden Takes Root

The Village was awarded a grant through ComEd's *Green Region* program, which assists local communities in protecting and improving public spaces. Funds were used to establish a pollinator garden in the open areas near the Belmont Metra Station. The Conservation Foundation partnered with the Village on the project, providing their Pollinator Meadow Mix to seed the land. The mix is a blend of sustainable native plants designed to attract and provide a habitat for pollinators.

Pollinators, such as bees, beetles, moths, hummingbirds and butterflies, are a critical component to strong and healthy harvests, but populations have been declining in recent years. The garden also includes different varieties of milkweed to target Monarch butterflies, building on efforts by surrounding suburbs to develop a "Monarch corridor" along the BNSF railroad.

The areas were seeded in early summer, and will be monitored and maintained by a consultant through 2020, as part of the contract. The garden will take time to fully mature, but developed as expected through this year's growing season. Four educational signs have been created, which will be put in place as weather permits. Accent areas, to be planted using community volunteers in 2019, will work along with the signs to highlight a variety of the plant species contained within the meadow mix.

PLEASE PARDON THE DEAD GRASS....

BELMONT POLLINATOR GARDEN

IN PROGRESS

The grass is being replaced with environmentally-friendly native plants designed to attract pollinators and butterflies. This garden will take time to fully mature.

Thank you for your patience!

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One of the GREENEST FLEETS Around



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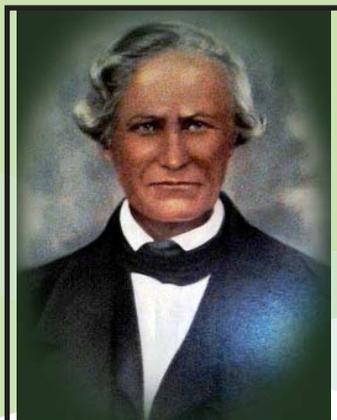
"He who loves
an old house
never loves in
vain."

- Isabel La Howe
Conant

HISTORY



Preserving Downers Grove properties as historic landmarks is easier than ever. Cooperation between property owners, the Village, Friends of the Edwards House and the Downers Grove Historical Society, resulted in 4 landmarked properties in 2018, bringing the total in the Village to 24.



**Pierce Downer
would approve!**



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Exceptional Municipal Services

Managing a Top Performing Police Department



The police department maximized a unique opportunity to analyze and redesign several open positions created by retirements. Although the department has fewer overall employees today than it had in previous years, they continue to achieve new milestones, including the recent meritorious award of re-accreditation with excellence through CALEA, the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies.

insideDG sat down with Chief of Police Shanon Gillette to discuss the Village's successful approach to a season of change.

Describe the importance of balancing the enforcement and administrative responsibilities of the police department.

Our efforts to re-assign support services to non-sworn employees creates efficiency and ensures our police officers are available to perform public safety duties that require sworn law enforcement personnel, including emergency response and criminal investigations.

Is it true that support services play a crucial role in the overall success of the department?

Yes, the Village has a strong history of recruiting and hiring highly qualified individuals for support services, which include records management, training administration, public education, evidence control and others.

This incredible team provides essential customer service, fosters community partnerships, facilitates training, and helps us maintain the professional standards required of a nationally accredited law enforcement agency.

This is just a sample of the extensive work that contributes to making the Downers Grove Police Department a top performing law enforcement agency.



CHIEF SHANON GILLETTE

How do specialized units like patrol investigations and support services contribute to the overall effectiveness of the police department?

To maintain an efficient operating environment, we encourage collaboration in every aspect of our operations. While each employee brings his or her own subject-matter expertise to their unique position, we achieve more by sharing ideas and assisting one another in providing the highest quality law enforcement services to the residents and visitors of Downers Grove.

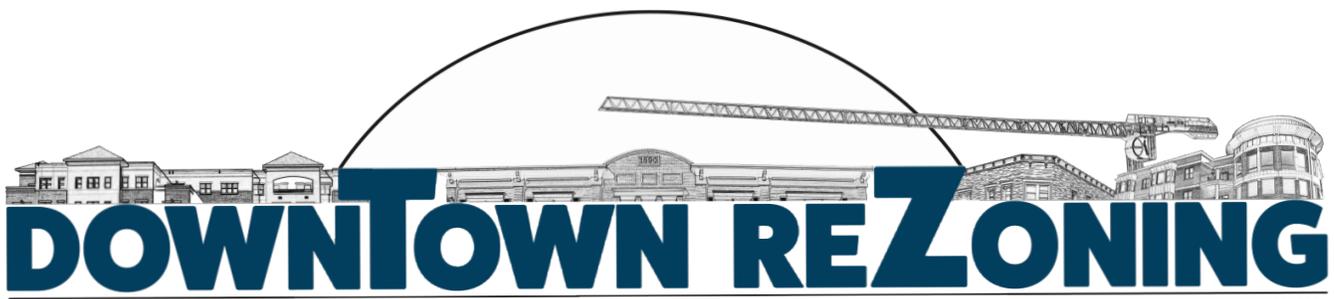
Many aspects of our restructuring are the result of ideas shared by our talented employees. Their commitment to teamwork transcends individual job descriptions and reflects the Village's leadership philosophy that the best ideas can come from anyone and everyone.

Downtown Vision Accomplished

In October, the Village Council approved the rezoning of 77 properties in the downtown, achieving the Long-Range Plan goal of Update Downtown Zoning Regulations, as recommended in the Comprehensive Plan.

This rezoning is the culmination of a two-and-a-half-year public planning process to establish zoning standards that ensure future development meets the community's vision for the downtown.

Discussions regarding the future of the downtown started in April 2016 as the Village began the process to update the Comprehensive Plan. An updated plan was adopted in June 2017, and included a section dedicated to the downtown.

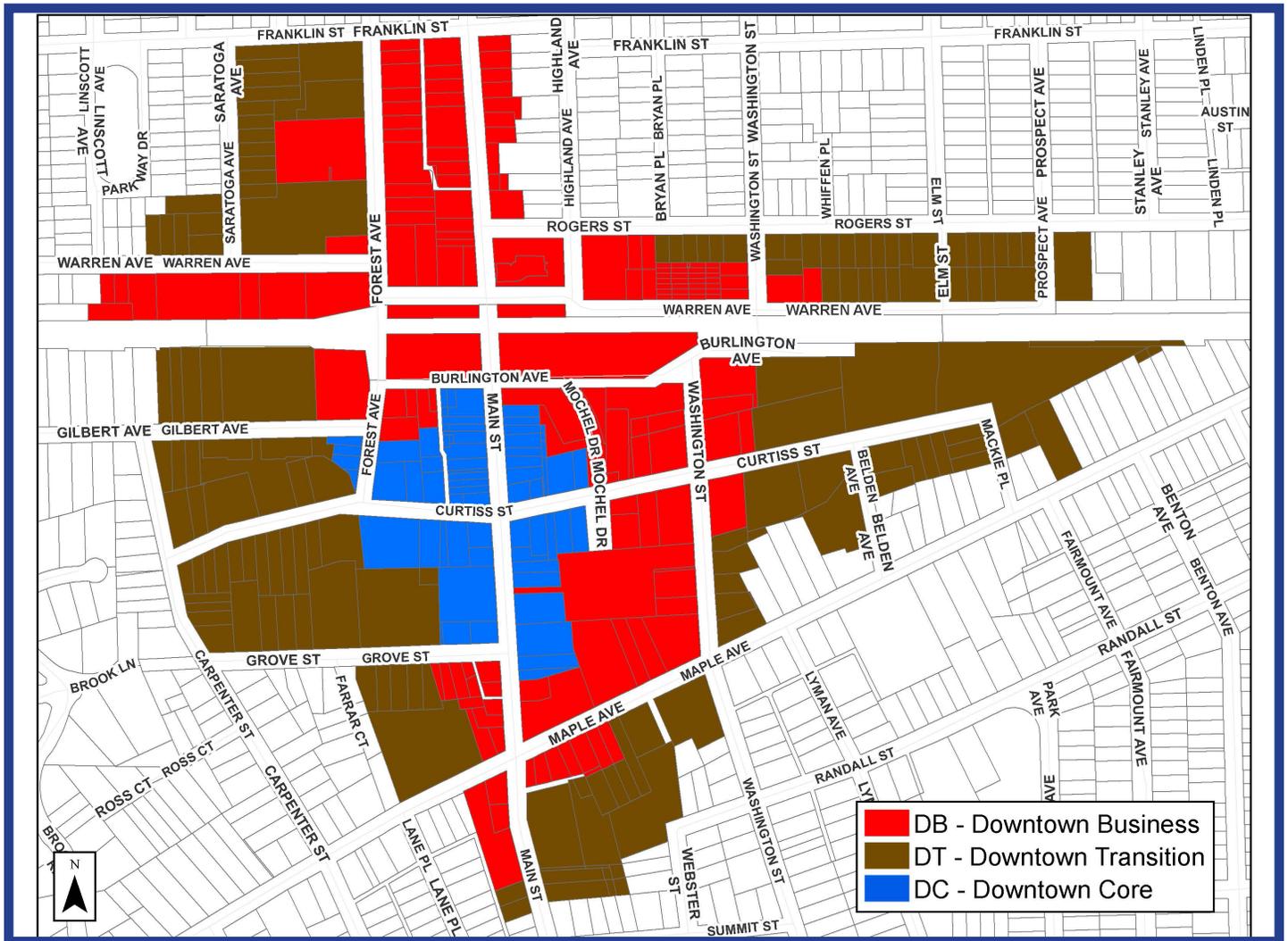


Based on the Comprehensive Plan goals for downtown, the Village undertook the development of a Downtown Regulatory Framework that was approved in January 2018. The Plan and Framework contemplated three zoning districts in the downtown: Downtown Transition, Downtown Business and the new Downtown Core District.

While it is true that Downtown is a unique destination in the community, it is actually comprised of several distinct areas with different form, uses, conditions, characteristics and potentials.

Downers Grove Comprehensive Plan

Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance adopted in July 2018 introduced the new Downtown Core District and updated various sections of the Zoning Ordinance to meet recommendations of the Comprehensive Plan and Downtown Regulatory Framework.



The Downtown Core District should foster a walkable environment that attracts and encourages people to gather, walk and mingle.

Downers Grove Comprehensive Plan

The new Downtown Core District was established to complement the low-rise aesthetic of the existing traditional downtown.

The Core and Business Districts serve as the social and economic centers for the downtown, while the Transition District serves as a buffer area between the commercial uses in the downtown and single family home neighborhoods surrounding it.

All of these changes have been made to ensure that downtown remains an attractive and vibrant community center piece for decades to come.

New Peer Jury to Begin Hearing Cases

Members of the Downers Grove Regional Peer Jury were sworn in by DuPage County State's Attorney Robert Berlin on October 16, 2018.



A Peer Jury is an alternative to court for first-time juvenile offenders of non-serious offenses, such as theft, vandalism, disorderly conduct, tobacco possession or underage drinking.

In 2018, the Village Council directed staff to operate a peer jury program for qualifying cases from municipalities nearby Downers Grove, which previously participated in the Downers Grove Township program. This cooperative effort includes Burr Ridge, Clarendon Hills, Darien, Downers Grove, Hinsdale, Oak Brook and Willowbrook.

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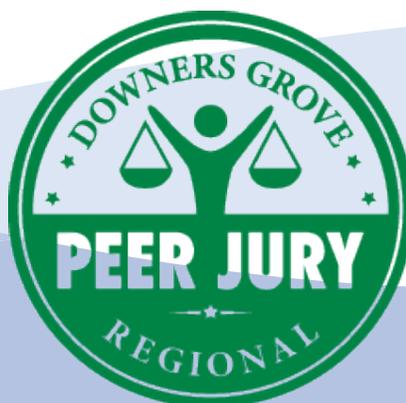
The jury is comprised of eight, high-school aged student volunteers. There are 36 students in the jury pool. Juveniles must agree to the peer jury process and provide an admission of guilt to participate in the program.

“I agree that I will faithfully discharge my duties as a member of the Peer Jury. I will conduct myself in a professional and mature manner, and be respectful to all Peer Jury participants. I will comply with all school rules and the laws of the State of Illinois at all times. I promise to maintain the highest ethical standards in my personal life and while acting as a peer juror.”

The purpose of the program is to provide a means for young offenders to account for their behavior to a group of peers and repair any harm caused to victims and the surrounding community. Peer Jury does not determine guilt or innocence.

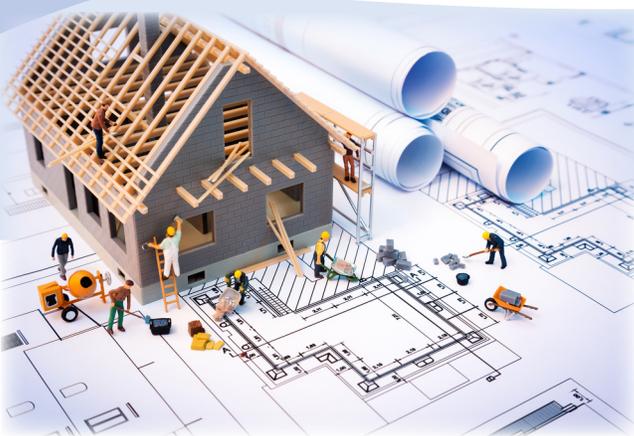
Peer Jurors attempt to understand why the offender committed the offense and then determine the consequences to help the offender be accountable for their actions and further develop the offender into an upstanding member of the community.

The Peer Jury will begin to hear cases at the start of 2019 as part of a six-month trial period.



Village Strengthens Stormwater Regulations

To reduce the negative impacts of stormwater runoff caused by development activities, while continuing to accommodate residential redevelopment and additions to existing single-family homes, the Village Council strengthened stormwater regulations in 2018.



Stormwater runoff generated by new residential construction and home additions that comply with current Village regulations sometimes negatively impacts adjacent properties. Standing or ponding water and saturated ground conditions are generally caused by:

- New impervious area constructed in established neighborhoods that lack adequate stormwater management systems and infrastructure.
- Grade changes which increase stormwater runoff from the construction site to adjacent properties.
- Sump pumps that serve large, deep basements and discharge more water.
- Lack of stormwater infiltration into the ground due to high clay content in soils and compaction during construction.



Identified as a Priority Action Item, the options for improving stormwater regulations were discussed publicly at numerous Council meetings. Multiple opportunities for stakeholder input were provided to builders, real estate developers and residents throughout the process.

Under the new regulations, 99% of newly constructed homes will be required to provide stormwater storage. Overall, the requirement for stormwater storage capacity has been increased 2.3 times over the previous level, benefitting all properties by mitigating stormwater runoff. The costs to a property owner are a small percentage of the total cost of the overall project.

Other highlights of the new, strengthened regulations:

- Stormwater storage requirements may be met by employing shallow construction techniques.
- The new regulations have a minimal impact on the amount of yard that is “useable.”
- The amount of stormwater storage required is easy to calculate and predictable.
- There is a low burden on staff to administer the new regulations.
- Continued incentives available to property owners to avoid any increase in the square footage of impervious area.



The approved amendments are intended to mitigate the negative impacts of stormwater runoff caused by new residential development and to maintain a permitting process which accommodates residential renovation and redevelopment.

Economic Development

Soaring to New Heights: Rexnord Aeronautical Engineering Headquarters

Rexnord Aerospace completed building a new 248,000 sq.ft. manufacturing facility and aerospace headquarters in the Ellsworth Industrial Park.

This is a huge win for the Village, DuPage County, and the State of Illinois.

Rexnord employs about 8,000 employees worldwide.



Set Your Sites on Downers Grove



Downers Grove is a premier location for corporate and regional headquarters. Several Fortune 500 companies have offices in Downers Grove including:

Advocate Health Care, Dover Corporation, Flavorchem Corporation, Glanbia Performance Nutrition, Inc., HAVI Global Solutions LLC, NEC Display Solutions, and United Healthcare

In addition to Class A office space, there are retail and industrial facilities to meet the needs of every tenant. This includes Bridge Point, a new 680,000 sq. ft. industrial/office project.

- Downers Grove is located in the heart of the I-88 and I-355 corridors, 22 miles west of Chicago
- O'Hare International Airport, Midway Airport and Chicago's Loop are all less than 30 minutes away
- Downers Grove has three Metra stations offering commuter rail service to Union Station in Chicago



Rexnord Aerospace Groundbreaking

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Revitalizing Ogden Avenue at Main Street

The northwest corner of Ogden Avenue and Main Street was redeveloped with three retail/commercial buildings and parking.

The renewed site is projected to generate \$70,000 to \$100,000 in net sales tax revenue per year for the Village and \$23,600 per year in incremental property taxes.

Redevelopment of the Ogden Avenue corridor is a key component of the Village's Comprehensive Plan.



Lincoln Certified Pre-Owned Sales Center

Lincoln's property at 216 Ogden Avenue was redeveloped with the construction of a certified pre-owned automobile dealership. The improved site includes a new showroom, a new front façade, the addition of a free-standing sign, repair to the existing parking lot, landscaping, and maintenance screening on the northern lot line in compliance with the Ogden Avenue Master Plan.

The dealership is expected to generate \$22 million in annual taxable sales.



Other New Businesses



Linda's Legacy



In 2018, the Village was deeply saddened by the loss of a pillar of the community, Linda Kunze, the executive director of the Downers Grove Downtown Management Corporation.

Her role included not only bringing new businesses to Downers Grove, but also working with Village leaders to organize special events, such as the annual Ice Sculpture Festival, the Downers Grove Fine Arts Festival, Summer Nights Classic Car Show, Downtown Downers Grove Market, the holiday Gingerbread Festival and many others.

“Linda was an engaged, warm cheerleader for the community even outside of work hours,” Downers Grove Mayor Martin Tully said. “She was synonymous with the downtown and always will be. She was literally the hub of the wheel on which the downtown progressively turned for 20 years. She turned it from what it was into the destination that it is today.”

Linda surely was one of our finest citizens and as such, plans are underway to rededicate the Main Street Train Station Plaza in her name.



Transforming Downtown

Since rising from the prairie 185 years ago, downtown Downers Grove has always been evolving. Like many suburban town centers in the 70s and 80s, changing patterns led people and money to other places.

In 1997, the Village changed the course of the downtown by creating a financing tool to improve its infrastructure and encourage private investment. These improvements began to attract new businesses and development and slowly the downtown started to change.

In the last 20 years, commercial space has grown by 69%, residential units by 89% and downtown property values have grown by over 300%.

The future of Downtown Downers Grove is bright and continues to attract new business and development.



5135 Main St.: Former home of Muriel Mundy, now Pierce Tavern.



The Marquis on Maple, 55 luxury condominiums.



5117 Main St.
Great Harvest Bread Company



Main & Maple apartments



5100 Forest Ave., Burlington Station apartments

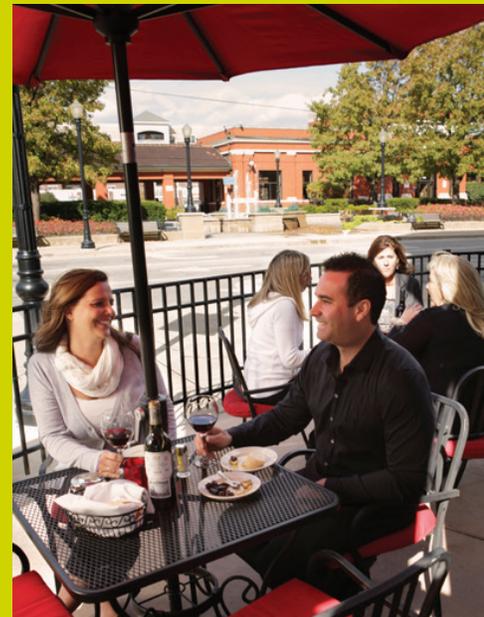
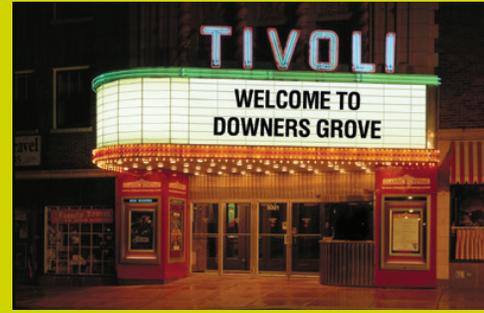
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BULLETPROOF VESTS

In 2018, the Village of Downers Grove received a 50% reimbursement grant of \$7,200 for 20 new bulletproof vests over a two year time period.





investing **in** **in**frastructure

Top quality infrastructure is a Village high priority action item.

The Village invested over \$14.6 million in infrastructure improvements in 2018. These projects included improvements to the **Street & Sidewalk, Water and Stormwater** systems.

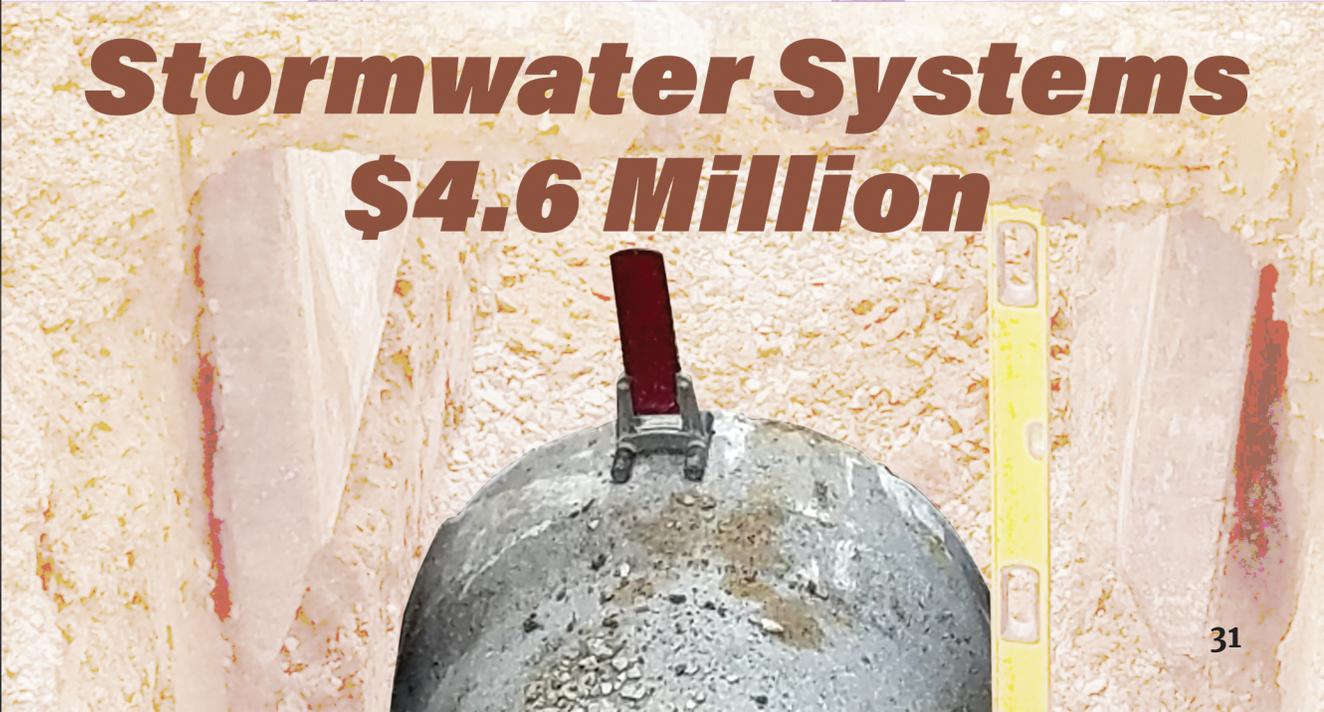


Streets & Sidewalks
\$5.4 Million



Water Systems

\$4.6 Million



Stormwater Systems
\$4.6 Million

Training Tower

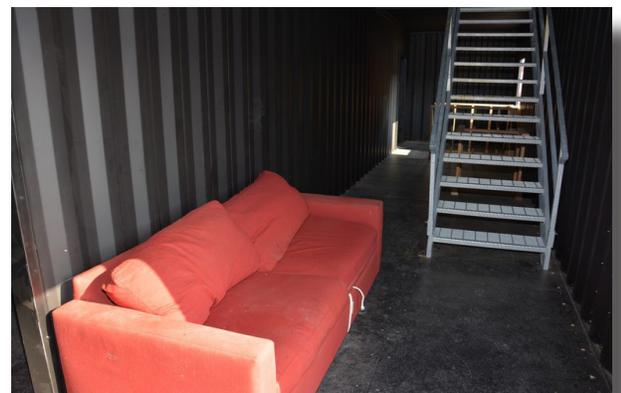


In August, the Downers Grove Fire Department conducted a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new Fire Training Tower at Fire Station 1. The tower is made of six, 40-foot shipping containers and one 20-foot container. It's three stories tall and a little over 3,040 square feet. It offers a stainless steel burn room in the center of the first floor, which allows for live fire training in a controlled environment.

The tower has six exterior doors, one forcible entry door, nine windows, two forcible entry windows, four interior stair cases, two swing-away breach walls, two tripod hatches, a confined space tube, rappel station, poke-through simulator for ventilation, and one balcony.

“This tower will allow us to train in our own community while on duty, in many different manners, and in a safe controlled environment. It is going to offer our personnel the opportunity to train more frequently, which will result in better and safer job performance,” said Alan Kinney, Downers Grove Firefighter/Paramedic.

The training facility was 100% funded by out-of-state insurance companies doing business in Illinois. No Village funds were used for this project.



Tobacco 21

In November, the Village Council adopted an ordinance prohibiting the purchase and possession of tobacco and alternative nicotine products by anyone under the age of 21. The ordinance also prohibits the sale of tobacco and alternative nicotine products to anyone under 21 years of age.



What does the new ordinance mean for people under 21 years of age?

Purchasing and possessing tobacco or alternative nicotine products, smoking materials or drug paraphernalia by anyone under 21 years of age is punishable by a fine of up to \$75.00.

What does the new ordinance mean for Downers Grove merchants?

Selling tobacco, alternative nicotine products, smoking materials or drug paraphernalia to persons under 21 years of age is punishable by a fine up to \$300.00.



Sharing Our Government Expertise



Public Works Director Nan Newlon

Nan Newlon was chosen as a 2018 Top Ten Public Works Leader by the *American Public Works Association* (APWA). Each year the award is given to honor excellence and dedication in public service by recognizing career service achievements of individual public works professionals and officials, in both the public and private sectors.

Nan also engages with peers in the following ways:

- Chair, *College of DuPage Public Service Institute* Steering Committee
- Chair, *Illinois Municipal League* Public Works Committee
- Board of Advisors, *Northern Illinois University*



Village Manager Dave Fieldman

- *DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference (DMMC)* Board of Directors and Chair of Managers Committee
- DMMC Governmental Leader of the Year

Village Attorney Enza Petrarca

- *Illinois Local Government Lawyers Association* Board of Directors and Chair of Professional Development Committee
- *DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference* Regulatory Issues Committee and Legislative Committee

Assistant to the Village Manager Megan Miles

- Legacy Project Communications Committee

Fire Chief Jeff Pindelski

- *Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) Division 16*
Vice President
- *Good Samaritan Hospital Chiefs Committee* Co-Chair

Police Chief Shanon Gillette

- *DuPage Senior Managers* President
- *Illinois Chiefs of Police* Education and Programs Committee
- *DuPage Chiefs of Police Association*
Liaison to the DuPage County 100 Club
- *Local Emergency Planning Committee*
Law Enforcement Representative



Detective Sergeant Jeremy Thayer

- *Felony Investigative Assistance Team (FIAT)*
Major Crimes Unit Commander
- *DuPage County Fire Investigation Task Force*
Assistant Commander





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American Heart Association “Mission: Lifeline” Gold Status



Mission: Lifeline is an American Heart Association coordinated, proactive system of care that turns first responders, hospitals and other healthcare providers into a team that uses proven guidelines and best practices to treat patients suffering from acute coronary syndrome, including heart attacks. The goal: help save lives and improve patient outcomes, from symptom onset all the way through cardiac rehabilitation.

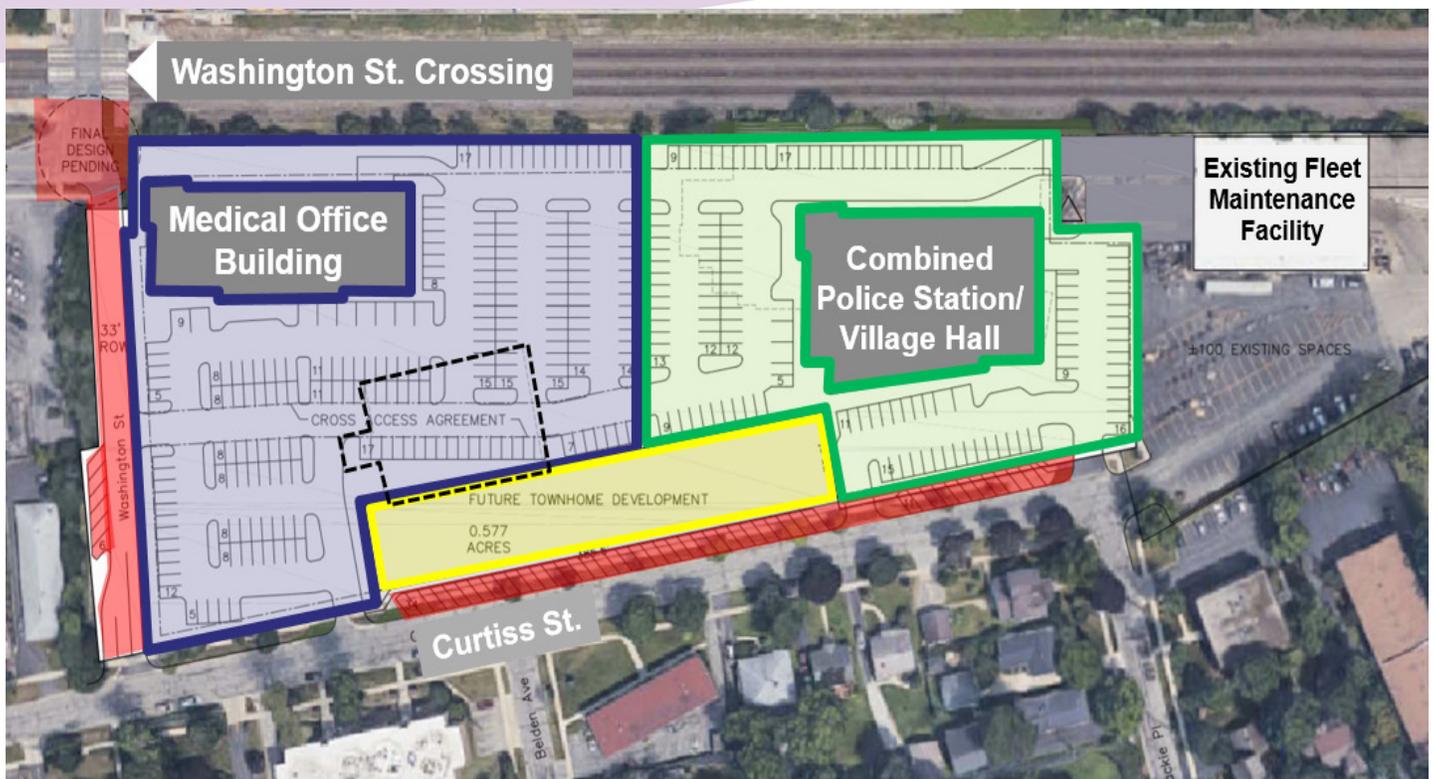
In order to achieve Gold Status, the Downers Grove Fire Department had to provide statistics for patients served that were suffering from heart attacks and strokes. The American Heart Association states that patients having a heart attack should have a 90-minute EMS to balloon time, which is the time period from when responders arrive to when the patient receives definitive treatment at the hospital. The team must meet that benchmark a certain percentage of the time to qualify and maintain Gold Status.

Gold Status was also awarded to the Department in 2017.

On the Horizon: Facilities Project

At their last meeting of 2018, the Village Council unanimously voted to direct staff to take steps to design and construct new facilities. In the Fall of 2019, the Village will be constructing a combined Police Station and Village Hall and improving safety and traffic flow at the intersection of Washington Street and the railroad tracks. The project will be completed in 2021.

The 40-year old Police Station and 90-year old Village Hall are in need of many expensive maintenance projects, do not meet the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards and do not have the spaces required to safely and efficiently perform work.



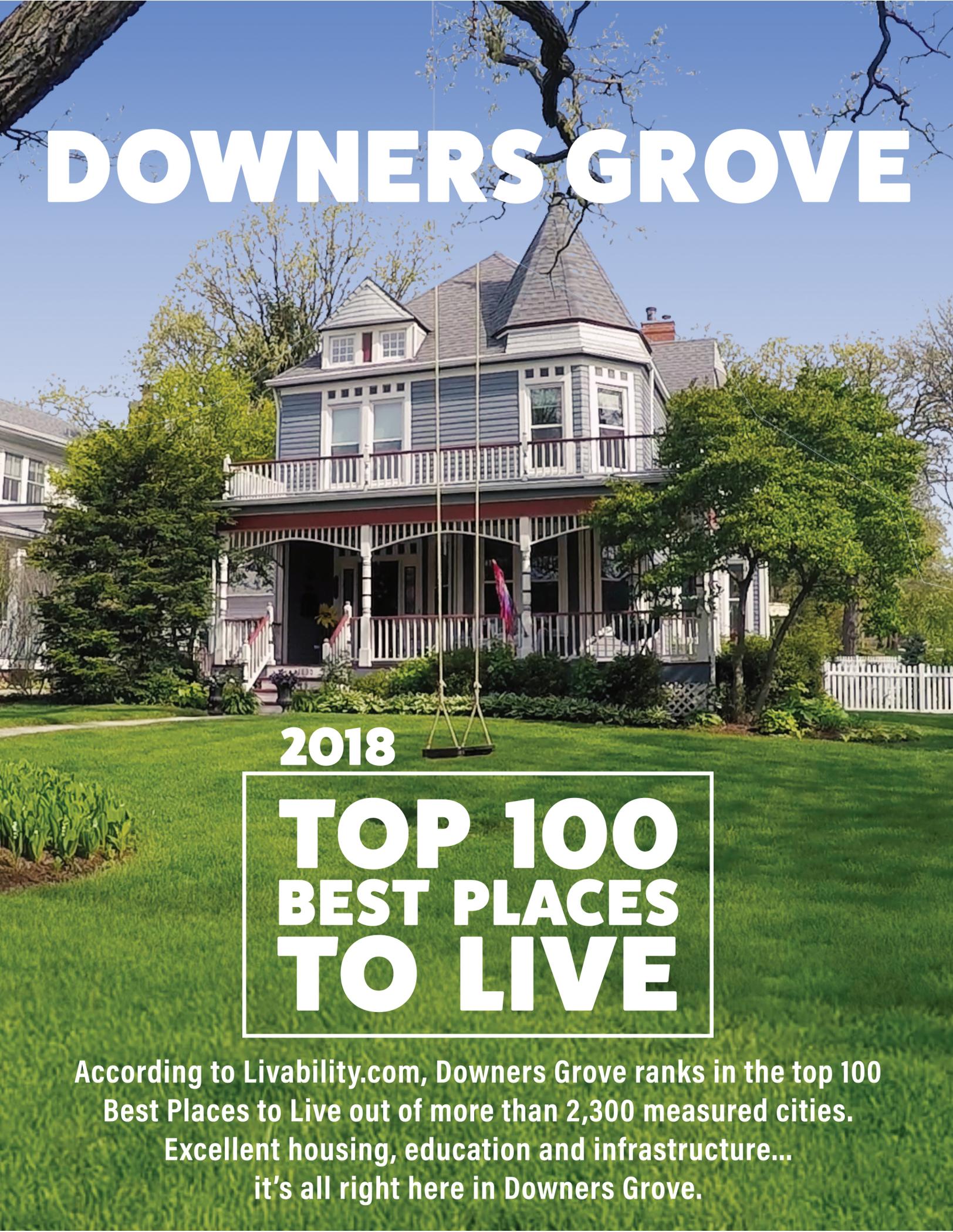
The project includes a medical office building and 10 to 12 townhomes. Money from the land sale and the property taxes paid by this development will be pledged to the project. These revenues, combined with existing Village revenues will pay for about 85% of the total project cost.

The Village will not increase property taxes to pay for this project.

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