

Responses to member questions: Document 1 (Police Enforcement of Stay at Home Order)
March 26, 2020

To what degree is your Police Department enforcing the state at home order, especially in parks?

Bartlett:

Bartlett has asked our Park District (separate taxing body) to remind residents the play grounds are closed via their signs and social media. The police department is doing extra patrols past the parks and informing them of the order and if in violation telling them to leave.

Downers Grove:

In response to concerns that people are congregating at and using playground equipment and other similar facilities (basketball courts, tennis courts, etc), the Village, Park District and both school districts will work together to implement the following 3-step plan.

1) **Tape Off the Facilities, and Place Advisory Signs** - Each Park District and D58 playground and similar facility will be taped off using caution tape. The Park District and D58 will use their own tape and staff to complete this task. If they run short on tape or staff, the Village will provide tape and staffing as available to complete the work. The Village will produce and place signs at each of the playgrounds and facilities advising the public of the closure. The signs will read something like "Facility Closed per Stay at Home Order." The signs will be attached to small barricades provided by the Village. Village staff will place the signs at the locations.

A list of the Park District facilities is available on their website under the Facilities, Interactive Map tab. The Park District has 24 playgrounds, 6 basketball courts and 3 tennis courts.

District 58 has provided a list and location of their playgrounds. I will share it with everyone shortly.

Public Works is in the process of gathering barricades and producing the signs. Director Andy Sikich will let us all know how long it will take to produce and place these signs.

2) **Joint Public Message** - The Village, Park District and both school districts will prepare and distribute a public message today. The message will be "signed" by all four entities and posted by all 4 entities. The message will explain the closing of the playgrounds and encourage the public to comply with the order. Doug Kozlowski will take the lead on preparing this joint message and will ask for input from the other entities. This message should be posted today.

3) **Police Enforcement** - The DG Police Department officers will patrol the schools and parks as part of their patrol beats. If officers observe people violating the order, they will advise people of the order and politely ask them to comply with the order.

Naperville:

Naperville Park District is a separate governmental body from the City. They have their own Police Department, which is providing signage and responding to park usage complaint calls.

Oak Brook:

We are responding to calls for essential business complaints and referring them to IDCEO. We have also entered the complaint into their website form. We have responded to our public golf course to remind golfers of social distancing requirements. Officers are patrolling the parks to insure playgrounds remain closed and advise people unless it's obvious that its immediate family members.

We have not received any service calls of social distancing complaints although elected officials have received some comments on social media. The DuPage County Forest Preserve Police were notified of concerns on their trails and was advised that they are not responding to any social distancing complaints.

West Chicago:

Our police officers are speaking with people observed in parks and advising them of the stay at home order and encouraging them to return home