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**COVID-19 Status Report
Oak Park Village Board of Trustees**

To: Village President and Village Board of Trustees

Fr: Cara Pavlicek, Village Manager

The memo is a means to share a brief summary of information regarding Village of Oak Park operational activities in response to COVID-19. In most cases, formal public guidance or employee guidance has been publicly disseminated via the Village website or Village social media channels.

New Public Health Guidance

Today, the Village of Oak Park Department of Public Health received notification of the following new COVID-19 cases: 4 Oak Park residents who range in age from the 40s to 70s.

Excluding individuals for which street addresses are not yet determined, the State of Illinois reports a total of one-hundred fifty-nine (159) total Oak Park COVID-19 cases. It is important to note that as patient tracking and case follow-up occurs, individuals listed within the number of Oak Park cases reported may change depending on residency confirmation.

The Oak Park Department of Public Health is notified of positive tests as established by state and local public health protocol. Because of privacy laws, no additional information can be released about the individuals. It is noted, that privacy precludes location information regarding individuals tested to anyone other than Public Health Officials and First Responders.

The Oak Park Department of Public Health is working closely with officials from the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), investigating and notifying anyone who may have had exposure to the individual who tested positive for COVID-19. Local public health officials, hospitals and first responders are following protocols consistent with the latest guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Cases related to Long-Term Care and Assisted Living Facilities

Public Health Director Charley reported updated cases for residents today in Long-Term Care and Assisted Living Facilities which included two additional cases of residents and one additional employee case at Oasis, 625 N Harlem. In addition, another employee case was reported at Belmont Village, 1035 Madison Street.

Facility Name	# of Resident Cases	# of Resident Deaths	# of Staff Cases
Belmont Village of Oak Park	1	0	3
Berkeley Nursing & Rehab Center	1	1	0
Brookdale Oak Park	5	1	5
Oak Park Arms	1	0	0
Oasis of Oak Park	15	4	2

Management Council

An online meeting of management council (the chief appointed official for each taxing body) was held on today and allowed for an ongoing dialogue amongst the organizations about coordinated efforts in response to COVID-19 as well as planning discussions for short, medium and long range planning efforts.

Meal Distributions

Oak Park and River Forest High School District 200 and Oak Park Elementary School District 97 also continues to distribute weekly pick-up of breakfasts + lunches to students in need during this important time. Both D200 and D97 are providing meals for any student in need and are not limiting the meals to students already registered for “free and reduced” lunch programs. Pick-up days and location information can be found at the student’s own school website.

The Township, with funding from Age Options and help from the Village and community volunteers, has had eight bulk meal distribution events between 3/26/20 and 4/27/20 focused on seniors. On eight different days, meals have been both delivered to homes and distributed drive-thru style in the Township parking lot. Meals are boxes of frozen meals (5 packs) or shelf-stable meals (5 or 10 packs depending on provider). The total number of meals delivered in these mass distributions is now over 22,000.

This is noteworthy since before the pandemic, on average, the Township served 65 hot meals per weekday at our Congregate Meal site and delivered 195 per day to Home Delivered Meals participants. Last Fiscal Year, we served over 62,000 meals the entire year in these two programs.

The Village has helped to share information about the availability of meals and other services for vulnerable members of our community. In addition, staff from Development Customers Services has participated in meal deliveries and Police staff has assisted with traffic control at the drive-thru operation.