



PARK  
DISTRICT  
OF OAK PARK

*2014 Comprehensive Master Plan*

# Park District of Oak Park

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## Existing Partnerships and Coordination Efforts

The Park District of Oak Park makes significant efforts to partner with local agencies on a variety of initiatives with the greater good of Village residents in mind. These efforts are critical in a dense, urban community such as Oak Park, and will need to be strengthened and added onto in the future to maximize efficiency and use of tax dollars.

### ***Multiple Agencies***

- Use and programming of three floors of space in the Dole Center, which is owned by the Village and also houses the Dole Branch Library
- Agencies may reserve Cheney Mansion for one evening event per year free of charge
- PDOP is pursuing a shared Wi-Fi system with the Library and D97
- The libraries, the Village, the Visitors Center and the township distribute PDOP program guides
- All agencies have participated as stakeholders in other agencies' planning processes

### ***Village of Oak Park***

- VOP and PDOP have transferred properties to allow for the advancement of common goals
- PDOP assists the Village with clean-up of storm damage as needed
- PDOP purchases fleet maintenance service from the Village
- PDOP shares specialty maintenance equipment with the Village as needed
- PDOP uses Village lot at High School for Ice Show
- Village Farmers Market uses Ridgeland Common lot
- VOP & PDOP have an agreement in place for use of facilities in large scale disasters
- VOP replaces sidewalks around the perimeter of PDOP parks and facilities and the cost is shared equally between the two agencies

- Sidewalks within the parks are paid entirely by PDOP but the service is conducted under VOP contract when feasible
- VOP provides tree trimming service to PDOP on an emergency basis mainly at no charge
- VOP forester assists with tree condition assessments
- PDOP lends tables and chairs to VOP for events.
- PDOP permits the Village to use Scoville and Rehm Parks for Day in Our Village
- VOP is able to reserve PDOP meeting space free of charge
- VOP uses PDOP bus and vans for Explorers group and other activities with Village officials, staff and guests
- VOP and PDOP have used each other's vehicles or trailers for parades
- PDOP uses VOP GIS Equipment to interpret survey results
- PDOP awards VOP personnel with IPRA Community Service Awards.
- PDOP works cooperatively with VOP and School District D200 on the 4th of July Fireworks – GALA Celebration
- VOP used the skate park for Police Segway Training
- PDOP has recently received an award from VOP (Historic Preservation Award for the WWI Memorial Restoration) and from Visit Oak Park.
- PDOP has access to unsold parking spaces near GRC for closing staff to park
- PDOP uses VOP parking lot for Administrative Staff Park in exchange VOP permits Rehm Pool parking lot in fall, winter and spring
- PDOP has been utilizing Volvo lot for exterior storage

### ***Police***

- Full regulation of PDOP Park Use Rules by Village - every police officer received a copy of the Park Rules handbook along with key staff in VOP
- Police cooperation for Frank Lloyd Wright races
- Police have a satellite office at GRC

### ***Fire Department***

- PDOP's current alarm system is connected to the Village system
- VOP assists PDOP with fire alarm plan review and inspections
- Fire Department provides free CPR training for PDOP summer camp staff
- PDOP has offered the use of buildings to be demolished for fire department training purposes.

### ***Fleet Service, Fuel, Equipment Sharing, Street Sweeper***

- PDOP is able to borrow Village's heavy equipment with notice
- PDOP lends the Village equipment (chipper, 1 ton truck, packer, bucket loader, tables and chairs)
- Village runs the street sweeper in PDOP lots
- PDOP procures servicing of vehicles from Village services PDOP vehicles.
- PDOP uses the VOP's trailer for the 4th of July parade
- Joint purchasing of PDOP/VOP salt for sidewalks
- Joint purchasing of fuel and gas through the Village

### ***School District 200***

- PDOP staff attend high school job fair to help place students in jobs within the Park District.
- PDOP aquatic Staff uses OPRFHS facilities to conduct lifeguard training
- OPRFHS held outdoor jazz concert in Scoville Park
- PDOP uses of the OPRF indoor swimming pool to conduct swim lessons in the fall, winter and spring
- PDOP uses gymnasiums for adult futsal and for youth basketball league
- OPRFHS uses PDOP fields at RCRC, Lindberg and Stevenson for baseball, soccer and ultimate Frisbee

### ***School District 97***

- PDOP participated in the development of the Irving School synthetic turf field
- PDOP participated in the installation of irrigation for the Longfellow School natural turf field
- PDOP provides maintenance of Irving School synthetic field
- PDOP programs and uses D97 gymnasiums after school hours
- PDOP is allowed to use rooms at the Mann and Lincoln schools free of charge for community meetings
- D97 rents pool and rink at a discounted fee for class trips
- Schools use parks for the their class picnics
- PDOP responsible for permitting of D97 athletic fields to other community groups
- PDOP uses the D97 print shop for printing Kids Report, forms and other promotional materials as needed

### ***Oak Park Public Library***

- PDOP jointly hosts the Teen Battle of the Bands with the Library
- Outdoor Poetry Night was held in Scoville Park
- PDOP is allowed to use rooms at the Library free of charge for community meetings
- Library allows PDOP access to wifi for Scoville Park
- Library provided gallery space for an art exhibit

### ***Miscellaneous***

- Art projects with Arts Council (Camille Wilson White)
- Work with DCFS for summer camp opportunities
- Township has assisted with community center and sports courts staff training at no charge
- Community centers and administration center are used for polling locations during elections

