Stay home and save lives

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With spring finally here and the weather taking a turn for the better, many residents are itching to get outside and enjoy the outdoors with friends and family. However, due to the severe threat that the COVID-19 pandemic presents, the Village strongly urges all residents to stay at home and help save lives.

While we know this can be frustrating for many people, these restrictions are imperative to help flatten the pandemic curve and reduce the number of fatalities associated with COVID-19. While everyone has friends and family they'd like to see and places they'd like to go, we all must make a collective sacrifice to ensure the virus doesn't take any more lives than it already has.

Now more than ever, it's imperative that Tinley Park residents band together. From now until April 30, when Gov. J.B. Pritzker's "Stay at Home" order expires, please only leave your home to work an essential job or get needed supplies. If you must leave, practice social distancing by staying at least six feet away from others, and don't congregate in groups of 10 or more.

The Village would also like to remind residents that all playgrounds, basketball courts and tennis courts in Tinley Park have been temporarily closed. Also, remember to use the non-emergency number at (708) 532-9111 if you're calling to report large gatherings of people, as 9-1-1 is reserved only for emergencies.

In addition to the Community Email, the Village has many ways to stay engaged with COVID-19 information, including Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube. If you have a friend or family member you feel would like to receive this information, feel free to share it with them. We're all in this together, and together we'll endure!

Visit the Village's dedicated coronavirus page at <u>www.TinleyPark.org/COVID-19</u>. The page is updated regularly and features a wealth of information for residents and businesses.