



All New Fall Events in the Ravinia District!

Halloween Candy Stroll Friday, October 29 2-5 PM

Interactive Fall Stroll October – November

Plan to stroll the Ravinia District to enjoy the fall decorations October 10 - November 30. In conjunction with the décor, a Kids Halloween Candy Stroll is scheduled throughout the Ravinia Business District on Friday, October 29 from 2 PM to 5 PM. The stroll will feature four interactive Harvest Vignettes for visitors to sit and take selfies to post on Facebook, Instagram, and TikTok. The Vignettes will be located at the northeast corner of Broadview and Roger Williams, southeast corner of Pleasant and Roger Williams, on Roger Williams just west of Happi Sushi, and the southeast corner of St. Johns and Roger Williams.



After Thanksgiving, the District will feature holiday décor, and the public will be invited to participate in a holiday stroll with giveaways.

Halloween Festivities at Port Clinton Square

Celebrate Halloween early with live music and trick-or-treating in Port Clinton Square!

**Thursday, October 28
3-6 PM**



Ravinia Farmers Market



The late summer harvest is in full swing at the [Ravinia Farmers Market](#). Be sure to shop for all your weekly menu needs around what's in season this week: produce, fruit, farm fresh eggs, cheeses, meats, fish, veggie burgers, artisan breads, pastries, snacks, pickles and condiments, local honey, and maple syrup, cut flowers for your table and so much more!

Shop for festive pumpkins and gourds for decorating and baking! Be sure to pick up heirloom tomatoes, eggplant, peppers, fall squash, greens and lettuces, herbs, and other late summer local and organically grown produce! It's still fruit season, and this week's Market is abundant with Midwest pears, apples, jams and jellies, and more.

Live music is sponsored by the [Highland Park Community Foundation](#).

The [Ravinia Farmers Market](#) runs weekly from 7 AM to 1 PM through October 27 in Jens Jensen Park - Roger Williams Ave. between St. Johns Ave. and Dean Ave.

#EnjoyHighlandPark

The City of Highland Park's new social media campaign, #EnjoyHighlandPark, highlights the unique shopping and dining, exceptional natural spaces, and

vibrant arts and entertainment offerings you can't find anywhere but Highland Park. Learn more at our new website enjoyhighlandpark.com. The City will continue to add content on an ongoing basis - check back frequently!

ENJOY

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Help spread the word, and be sure to follow [@enjoyhighlandpark](https://www.instagram.com/enjoyhighlandpark) on Instagram and [@EnjoyHighlandPark](https://www.facebook.com/EnjoyHighlandPark) on Facebook.

Explore. Experience. Enjoy Highland Park: enjoyhighlandpark.com.

Business of the Week: Norton's Restaurant



Located on Sheridan Road in the heart of Highland Park, Norton's has become one of the north shore's landmark eating and drinking spots. The family-oriented restaurant offers the best of American food and dining traditions. The cuisine is straightforward, presented in a casual, yet energized environment.



Stop by for live music on Friday & Saturday nights. Visit nortons-restaurant.com for music schedules and food & beverage menus.

SCORE Mentoring at the Highland Park Public Library & Free Webinars

SCORE offers in-person or virtual sessions using phone, email, or video

All sessions are free and confidential. SCORE mentors are successful business professionals, some retired, some working, from all industries and experiences.



Visit northchicago.score.org and register to “Find a Mentor”. You will be asked to provide the nature of your business interest. Please include whether you prefer in-person or virtual mentoring (phone, email, video) and note, the **Highland Park Public Library** even if you prefer a virtual session.

[Upcoming SCORE Webinars](#)

Highland Park Career Exploration Program

Interested in sharing your profession with a high school student exploring their career options? The Highland Park Career Exploration program (HPCE) provides students with the opportunity to gain valuable insights into a potential career path and goals. Students are matched and meet with professionals to discuss career aspirations, work initiatives, and other professional inquiries.

[Learn more about HPCE.](#)

Manufacturing Month Webinar Series

Make Locally, Sell Globally



October is Manufacturing Month!

Looking to grow your business and increase profits by selling globally?

Join us throughout October to hear insights from exporting and manufacturing experts.

This month-long Manufacturing webinar series starts on September 30th and continues every Thursday in October.

Manufacturing Month Webinar Lineup:



• **Manufacturing Day Celebration – Sept 30:** On the eve of Manufacturing Day 2021, hear stories from three manufacturers who have effectively tapped Federal Government export assistance to achieve global market success. Federal agencies will also review resources available to your company.

- **Early-stage Manufacturers – Oct 7:** Explore federal resources available to support the idea phase, commercialization, and global growth journey of early-stage manufacturers.
- **Financing/Credit Insurance – Oct 14:** Listen in on a discussion of finance challenges and solutions for manufacturers. Learn from the experts!
- **Supply Chain – Oct 21:** The Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) will facilitate a discussion on supply chain solutions for SME manufacturers. Learn how your company improve operations, reduce costs, and mitigate risk through effective supply chain management!
- **Celebrando el Mes de la Manufactura – Oct 28:** This Spanish language webinar will feature Hispanic-owned manufacturers sharing their export success stories and an overview of Federal export promotion resources.

[Click Here to Register Now](#) for individual sessions or the entire series.

Note - All webinars will be offered Thursdays at 2:00 EDT

This webinar series is being coordinated by Trade Promotion Coordinating Committee (TPCC) partners from the U.S. Census Bureau, U.S. Commercial Service, EXIM, MEP, and Small Business Administration.



FAQ on Face Covering and Vaccination Requirements

On August 26, 2021, the Governor signed [Executive Order 21-20](#) which requires all individuals over the age of 2 and who can medically tolerate a face covering to wear a face covering when in indoor public places. The Executive Order also requires health care workers, school personnel, higher education personnel and students, and employees and contractors of state-owned or operated congregate facilities to be fully vaccinated, as described in the Order.

Please place this [Face Mask Required Sign](#) in your place of business to remind customers to wear a face covering.

[Face Covering FAQs](#)

Highland Park Chamber of Commerce

Multi-Chamber Mega Connect

Thursday, October 14

12 - 1 PM

[Register Here](#)



Get Hired Illinois

The State of Illinois has launched [Get Hired Illinois](#) to connect job seekers with employers and training opportunities as well as employers who are looking to fill open positions with available workers. Visit [GetHired \(illinois.gov\)](#) for more information.



Financial Aid for Retailers and Restaurants Grant Program

The City of Highland Park has a matching grant program to assist restaurants and retailers with operational costs incurred to provide a safe environment for customers and staff in compliance with state and federal public health guidelines for the coronavirus pandemic. The program will accept applications from qualifying restaurants and retailers located and operating within a commercial building in Highland Park with a net worth of less than \$2 million and generating less than an average of \$200,000 in profit per year for two years after taxes. Qualifying restaurants and retailers may apply for reimbursement of up to 50% of eligible expenses related to COVID-19 public health mitigations, to a maximum of \$10,000 for restaurants and \$5,000 for retailers, for costs incurred between August 15, 2020, and December 31, 2021, or until funds are depleted. [More information is available here.](#)



Additional Resources

[Available Commercial Space](#)

[Business Directory](#)

[Establishing Your Business](#)

[Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity](#)

[Lake County Health Department](#)

[NorthShore University](#)

[Chamber Of Commerce](#)

[HealthSystem](#)

[SCORE](#)

[Illinois Department of Public Health](#)

[U.S. Small Business Administration](#)

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)

[Job Center of Lake County - Business Services](#)

For general business inquiries, contact the City's Business Development Manager Carolyn Hersch at chersch@cityhpil.com.

For more information on the City's response to COVID-19, contact the City's Communications Manager Amanda Civitello at acivitello@cityhpil.com.

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