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 City of Highland Park

Business Development

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Welcome to Highland Park



Bright Bowls
777 Central Ave
847.504.9019
brightbowls.com
Smoothie Bowl Cafe



lao sze chuan

Lao Sze Chuan
1935 Sheridan Road
312.804.0048
laoszechuanusa.com
Chinese Restaurant
*Opening early July



Yana's Barber Shop
463 Roger Williams Ave
847.322.9863
yanabarber.com



Untangle Hair Studio
1788 Second St
773.759.6002
*Opening July 1



Larry's Barber Shop
1815 St. Johns Ave
847.748.8668

Illinois DCEO Issues Phase 4 Reopening Guidelines, Toolkits

The [*Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity*](#) has released [*industry-specific guidelines*](#) to support residents and businesses as Illinois prepares to advance to Phase 4 of Restore Illinois. An [*overview of the changes*](#) has also been released. At this time, all regions of the State are meeting the required metrics to advance to Phase 4 on Friday, June 26.

Phase 4 permits gatherings of up to 50 individuals, provided social distancing precautions are maintained. As a result, indoor facilities, such as dining, movie theaters, and gyms/fitness studios, may reopen with public health and safety guidelines in place, including capacity limits specific to the type of business.

Phase 4 also adds five new industry categories and updates guidelines for those industries which were already operating during Phase 3.

PHASE 4 GUIDELINES ARE NOW AVAILABLE



Phase 4 Highlights

The State of Illinois has prepared [*guidelines*](#) for all industries to assist business owners in complying with Phase 4 requirements. These guidelines should be reviewed by business owners, employees, and consumers before engaging in services. Additionally, the decision to reopen is at the discretion of the business owner, who may choose to implement additional requirements to ensure the safety of customers.

Although this is not an exhaustive list, some of the most notable changes include:

[Indoor Dining & Drinking](#)

Indoor dining and drinking is now *permitted* for parties of up to 10 people, provided social distancing measures are maintained. These *measures* include:

- Dining parties limited to 10 individuals or fewer.
- Tables should be arranged to allow for 6 ft. between parties.
- Face coverings are required for all guests, except when eating or drinking.
- A capacity limit of 25% applies to waiting areas.
- Self-service beverage stations, buffets, and self-service food stations may resume with guidelines.

[Indoor/Outdoor Recreation](#)

Outdoor and select indoor recreation facilities may *reopen* with restrictions, including capacity limits, in place. All shared equipment should be disinfected before and after each use. Clubhouses and other communal gathering places may reopen.

[Social Gatherings & Meetings](#)

Social gatherings, meetings, and other group events may resume provided **[guidelines](#)** are followed:

- Groups limited to 50 individuals or fewer with social distancing measures in place.
- Indoor capacity limits apply: 50 individuals or fewer, or 50% of facility capacity, whichever is lesser.
- All individuals who can work from home should continue to do so.

[Health & Fitness Businesses](#)

Health and fitness businesses, such as gyms or yoga studios, may **[resume](#)** operations with capacity limits of no more than 50% occupancy in place. Classes are limited to no more than 50 individuals or 50% occupancy, whichever is lesser. Social distancing should be maintained between all individuals in fitness classes, and workout stations should be modified to allow for proper distancing. Employees should monitor social distancing and equipment sanitization, and equipment should be sanitized before and after each use. Shared facilities, such as locker rooms or showers, should be sanitized at least every hour.

[Outdoor Spectator Events](#)

Ticketed, outdoor spectator events may **[resume](#)** provided social distancing guidelines are followed, including a capacity limit of 20%. Concessions are permitted with restrictions. General admission/standing room only events are not permitted.

[Cinemas, Theaters, Performing Arts](#)

Ticketed, seated events at cinemas, theaters, and performing arts centers may **[resume](#)** with an indoor capacity limit of 50 individuals or less, or 50% of the space capacity, whichever is lesser. For outdoor venues such as drive-in movie theaters, outdoor capacity is limited to 20% of the overall capacity.

[Youth & Recreational Sports](#)

Competitive gameplay and tournaments may **[resume](#)**, with capacity limits of no more than 50% facility capacity, and 20% seating capacity for spectators. Groups are limited to 50 individuals total, including athletes, coaches, and referees.

[Upcoming Webinars](#)



Webinar Title:

Ask the Experts: Financial Essentials: Organization & Risk Management, Hosted by the Highland Park Chamber of Commerce

Description:

Sharon Cohen, Vice President/Senior Financial Advisor, and Steven Greene, Assistant Vice President/Financial Advisor from Merrill Lynch Wealth Management to discuss organization and risk management for your financial essentials.

Time:

Wednesday, June 24 8:30 - 9:30am

Topics:

- What are the benefits of having organized financial documents?
- What are the most critically-important estate documents to have?
- Most people think of risk as – will my account value move with the markets - Did you know there are 4 other primary financial risks to consider when you retire?

This event will be held through Zoom. Meeting link to be emailed to registrants.

[**REGISTER HERE**](#)

Webinar Title:

Brick-and-Mortar: How to Compete with Online-Only Retailers

Description

Develop a game plan to increase traffic and sales from the leading commercial marketing research company

Time

Wednesday, June 24, 2020 8:30 -9:30 AM

Presenter

Brandon Svec - *Director of Market Analytics, CoStar Group*

Topics:

- 2019 performance by retail sub type and location
- What tenants and sectors are driving openings and closures
- Trends that Brick and Mortar retailers are using to grow traffic and sales
- Internet proof retailers

[**REGISTER HERE**](#)

PPP Loan Forgiveness Webinar Recordings

The Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation has announced that **recordings of two webinars to help businesses and lenders with the federal Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Loan Forgiveness Applications** are available to anyone who missed the sessions but may still require assistance.

- Hosted in partnership with the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), the first webinar focused on businesses and the steps they need to take to complete their loan forgiveness applications. This webinar may be watched [here](#).
- The second webinar, for lenders, detailed the process in how those loan forgiveness applications should be reviewed. The webinar for lenders may be watched [here](#).

Additional resources from the SBA regarding PPP may also be found [here](#) or by visiting one of the [35 SBA resource partners in Illinois](#).

Additional Resources

Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity industry-specific guidelines and tool kits

COVID-19 Emergency Resources For Businesses - Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity

Emergency Small Business Grant & Loan Assistance - Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity

COVID -19 Small Business Survival Guide - Illinois Small Business Development & International Trade Center

Illinois Department of Revenue Covid -19 Tax Relief

Illinois Department of Insurance (DOI)

Highland Park Chamber of Commerce COVID-19 Toolkit

Lake County Health Department

NorthShore University HealthSystem

Illinois Department of Public Health

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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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