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September 29, 2021



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](#)

2021 Infusion Fest



SAT, OCT 2ND
NOON - 10PM

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ROGER WILLIAMS AVE.
RAVINIA DISTRICT OF
HIGHLAND PARK

Saturday, October 2
12-10 PM

Roger Williams Avenue, between Pleasant and Burton Avenues.

This fan-favorite outdoor street festival offers every adult guest the opportunity to create their own infusion by choosing from a variety of ingredients from the do-it-yourself infusion bar, putting their million-dollar mixologist ideas into action. The fun isn't just for adults; kids and teens will be given the opportunity

to infuse juices, frozen drinks, and sodas for their own delicious creations.

The family-friendly event will have live music, a kids activity tent, and a variety of other activities for all ages to accompany the delicious food and beverage offerings from local and regional vendors including [Ravinia Brewing Company](#), [BWB.Rocks](#), [Piero's Pizza](#), [Sally's Nuts](#), [Bright Bowls](#), Magic Circle Crepes, and [Happy Lobster](#)! And, participants are encouraged to submit their best infusions to the Ravinia Brewing Squad, who will select a winner of a \$100 gift card and a tour of the brewery!

Music Lineup

12 - 1:30 PM [Nasty Snacks](#)
2 - 3:30 PM [Extra Crispy Brass Band](#)
4 - 5:30 PM [Radio Free Honduras](#)
6 - 7:30 PM [Ravinia Ramblers](#)
8 - 10:00 PM [Chicago Afrobeat Project](#)

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](#) on Instagram and [@EnjoyHighlandPark](#) on Facebook.

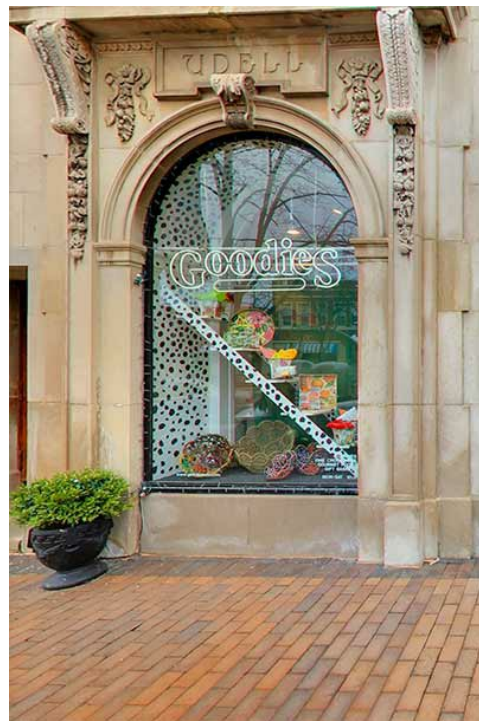
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Business of the Week: Goodies



[Goodies Highland Park](#) has been pleasing customers in the Chicagoland area and across the country since 1989. When it comes to personal and corporate gift-giving, Goodies sweetens every occasion and holiday. Their chocolates, candies, and gourmet treats are of the finest quality and can be combined to create fabulous custom gift baskets. Whether you choose a pound of delicious chocolates or an elegant gift basket, a gift from Goodies will convey your unique expression of good wishes.

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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.



Free Webinar: Open the Door to Energy Savings

Small business owners are invited to attend a webinar focused on energy savings for businesses. Small business customers in Highland Park will be receiving a postcard with more information in the coming weeks.



Wednesday, October 6
10:00 AM

[Register Here](#)

SCORE Webinar & Mentoring at the Highland Park Public Library

So, You Want to Start Your Own Business? What Now?

Wednesday, October 5

6-7:30 PM

[Register Here](#)



If you are thinking about starting a business, this session will help you understand the simple steps you need to take to become an entrepreneur. Topics will include the myths of entrepreneurship and critical success factors for small businesses, components of a business, and the types of business such as sole proprietorship, LLC, Non-Profit, "S" Corporation, and "C" Corporation.

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.

Highland Park Chamber of Commerce

First Wednesday Connections

Wednesday, October 6

8 - 9:30am

Bluegrass Restaurant

[More Info & Registration](#)



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](#)

[Chamber Of Commerce](#)

[SCORE](#)

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

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

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

[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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