

# HUNTLEY'S

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Village of Huntley  
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### Important Village Phone Numbers

Village Hall:  
847-515-5200

Water Billing:  
847-515-5200

Public Works:  
847-515-5222

Development Services:  
847-515-5252

Police non-emergency:  
847-515-5311

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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- FEBRUARY 20**  
PRESIDENT'S DAY  
VILLAGE OFFICES CLOSED
- MARCH 11**  
INDOOR FARMERS MARKET
- MARCH 12**  
DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS
- MARCH 18**  
HUNTLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
HOME, BIZ & WELLNESS EXPO
- APRIL 1**  
DON'T BE FOOLED 5K FOR  
SPECIAL OLYMPICS
- APRIL 8**  
INDOOR FARMERS MARKET

## COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE PROJECT

This spring, the Village will begin the process of updating the Comprehensive Land Use Plan. The current plan was adopted in 2002 and has been amended several times since. The Comprehensive Plan will establish a vision for the Huntley community and define policies that will direct future growth and development and improve overall quality of life for current and future residents. A fundamental purpose of this document will be to provide direction regarding the uses, intensity and character the Village envisions for property within its planning jurisdiction for the next 20 years. Through the input of the Village's many stakeholders, the plan looks to detail a long-term vision and a policy agenda for critical issues including: land use, urban design, housing, infrastructure, parks and open space, natural resources and more.

The Village, along with the firm Houseal Lavigne Associates, will hold workshops and public meetings this spring to gather input from the community to be used to draft the plan's vision statement and goals. As part of an extensive public engagement process, additional opportunities will be available throughout the year for the public to provide input for the plan, which is anticipated to be adopted in early 2024. Houseal Lavigne Associates will also host a booth at the Huntley Area Chamber Expo on Saturday, March 18, at the Huntley Park District. Please stop by to learn more about the process and to offer input. Stay tuned for additional information as the planning process moves forward.

## BE READY - FREEZING TEMPS CAN LEAD TO FREEZING PIPES

Prolonged cold temperatures during Illinois winters can potentially cause water in pipes and water meters to freeze and burst in areas of your home that are unprotected and/or unheated. A burst water pipe or frozen service line can cause considerable property damage resulting in costly repairs and interruptions to your home's water service. Tips to help prevent freezing water lines can be found on the Public Works & Engineering Water Division page at [huntley.il.us](http://huntley.il.us). A few suggestions include:

- ❄ Seal cracks in doors, windows and foundations. Small openings concentrate cold air, creating a cold pocket that can quickly freeze pipes.
- ❄ Open cabinets and closets that contain water lines to allow warm air to circulate around the plumbing.
- ❄ Allow cold water to drip through faucets. Running or dripping water can help prevent water lines from freezing; however, even running water can freeze in subzero temperatures.
- ❄ If you are going away for an extended period, keep the heat on inside the house. Even a low thermostat heat setting helps protect the pipes when the outside temperature drops.

If a resident experiences a water outage caused by freezing pipes, they should contact the Public Works Department by calling 847-515-5222. Be safe and keep warm!

**HUNTLEY INDOOR FARMERS MARKET**



Join us on the second Saturday of each month through May from 9am-1pm in the First Congregational Church Fellowship Hall on Church/Main Street. Shop local and support small business! For upcoming dates and vendor information visit [www.huntley.il.us](http://www.huntley.il.us).

**ARBOR DAY TREE PLANTING - APRIL 28**

Did you know that Huntley is recognized as a Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation? Join us as we plant trees together in celebration of Arbor Day. Visit [huntley.il.us](http://huntley.il.us) for info.

**GREEN & CLEAN HUNTLEY DAY - APRIL 29**

It is almost time for Spring Cleaning! Mark your calendars for the Village's annual recycling event. Visit the Special Events page on the Village website for event details and a list of acceptable items.

**DON'T BE FOOLED 5K - APRIL 1**

Don't be fooled by someone's disability...rather focus on their abilities! Help us raise money and awareness for Special Olympics Illinois with a fun run, trot or stroll around downtown Huntley. Join the Huntley Police Department and Adams Collision Service on Saturday, April 1, at 9am as we raise money and awareness for Special Olympics Illinois. This event is a FUN run and is perfect for the entire family.

Registration Deadlines:

- Before April 1: \$25 (ages 13+) or \$15 (ages 12 and under) and includes foolish treat and t-shirt
- Day of Event Registration: \$30 (ages 13+) or \$20 (ages 12 and under) and includes a foolish treat

For more information and registration, please see [bit.ly/HPD5K2023](http://bit.ly/HPD5K2023).

**2023 ANNUAL OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET APPROVED**

In accordance with Illinois State Statute and direction received from the Village Board of Trustees, the 2023 Annual Operating and Capital Budget was approved on December 8. Through the budget preparation and review process, operational and capital projects goals were identified for completion in 2023. Goals were approved in support of the mission, vision and statement of strategic intent of the 2022-2025 Strategic Plan. The 2023 Fiscal Year (FY23) Operating and Capital Budget totals \$51,627,506 in expenditures for all funds. The proposed budget is the largest in the Village's history and is reflective of and focused on the Village's vision of being the premier location in the region offering a healthy, well-balanced, prosperous, safe and friendly community for all.

Compared to the FY22 Budget, the FY23 Budget proposes \$7,438,375 (17%) more in total expenditures. The FY23 General Fund expenditures are \$17,182,012 or 33% of the total budget for all funds. Of the other major funds, the proposed expenditures and percentages of the overall budget are as follows:

- Water Capital Improvement and Equipment Fund \$8,794,000 (17%)
- Street Improvement and Road & Bridge Fund \$7,457,493 (14%)
- Water Operating Fund \$2,870,803 (6%)
- Wastewater Operating Fund \$2,859,643 (5%)

**The Priority Expenditures in the FY23 Budget are:**

New Water Production Facility

The Village is committed to regularly assessing the condition of its water and wastewater system and making improvements for the future. To that end, this budget proposes over \$7.9 million in expenditures for the engineering and construction of a new water well and treatment facility south of Kreutzer Road and just north of Regency Parkway extended east from Route

47 with completion scheduled to be finished by the end of 2024. Upon completion, the Village's overall water production capacity will increase from 5.1 million gallons per day to 6.2 million gallons per day.

Street Improvement Program and Kreutzer Road Widening

The Village is committed to monitoring the condition of roadway pavement and assets in the public right-of-way and making strategic roadway expansions. This budget proposes over \$10.4 million to maintain existing roads. Roads to be repaved in FY23 include: a section of Dhamer Drive immediately west of Route 47; Neighborhoods 1, 2, 3, 7 and 9 in Sun City, as well as collector roads including Cold Springs Drive, Farmhill Drive, Hemmer Road, Stonewater Crossing and Wildrose Drive; and Manning Road. This is the Village's most aggressive annual pavement management program to date with approximately 9.5 miles of roadway proposed to be resurfaced in 2023. In addition, funding is included for Phase II engineering of the Kreutzer Road widening project east of Route 47 to Haligus Road. The total estimated cost for this project is approximately \$12 million.

Village Workforce Investment and Expansion

The Village's estimated population is 28,268 residents and growing. The Village's residential growth combined with hundreds of new employees from recently completed economic development projects creates additional demand for Village services. This budget proposes increases in wages and benefits to keep the Village competitive in a tight local labor market and increases the total number of employees by five with a continued emphasis on providing the highest levels of customer service.

The FY23 Budget is available for review on the Village website at [www.huntley.il.us](http://www.huntley.il.us).



**- FROM THE HUNTLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT -  
NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE CITIZEN POLICE ACADEMY (CPA)**

The Citizen Police Academy is a ten-week program designed to give the participants more knowledge of the Huntley Police Department. It consists of a series of interactive classes held each Wednesday March 15 – May 17, from 6:30-9pm in the Village Hall Board Room. There is one session per year, limited to twenty students. There is no cost to enroll. The classes provide an overview of the various areas of law enforcement. It is an educational and informative program that allows citizens the opportunity to learn about the issues that affect law enforcement efforts in the Village of Huntley. For more information and the program application, please see [bit.ly/CitizenPoliceAcademy2023](http://bit.ly/CitizenPoliceAcademy2023).