





# Welcome to the Village of North Aurora



#### **Elected Officials & Board of Trustees**

- Village President Mark Gaffino
- Jessi Watkins Village Clerk

#### Trustees:

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- Laura Curtis Mark Guethle
- Todd Niedzwiedz
- Carolyn Bird Salazar •

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#### Village Hall : (630) 897-8228

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Village Hall 25 East State Street North Aurora, IL 60542

#### Emergency: 911 Police:

- (630)-897-8705
  - Fire District:
- - (630) 897-9698

# Greetings

### **From the Village President**

We are pleased to welcome you to the Village of North Aurora, "Crossroads on the Fox." We pride ourselves on our growing community situated on the banks of the Fox River. We offer quiet residential neighborhoods, and a growing number of businesses to enjoy unique shopping and dining experiences.

The Village is responsible for the provision of police, public works, water, and community development services to residents. The North Aurora Fire Protection District and other non-Village taxing bodies provide further services which are covered in this packet.

The Village offers many parks, a nature center, and bike trails along the Fox River corridor. We have a variety of retail establishments and restaurants along Route 31 as well as the Orchard and Randall Road corridors. In addition, we are proud to have the largest Auto Mall retail setting in the Fox Valley.

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North Aurora is located along Interstate I-88 which offers convenient and quick access to downtown Chicago. We are also proud to be part of the Lincoln Highway Corridor, which stretches across the United States and was one of the earliest transcontinental highways for automobiles across America.

Our Village leaders, along with our residents, are always looking to the future of North Aurora, as we strive to maintain a community that is a vibrant, active, and a family-oriented location to both work and live in. We are excited about your interest in North Aurora for your home or business, and we look forward to serving you.

Sincerely,

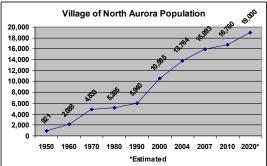
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Mark Gaffino Village President



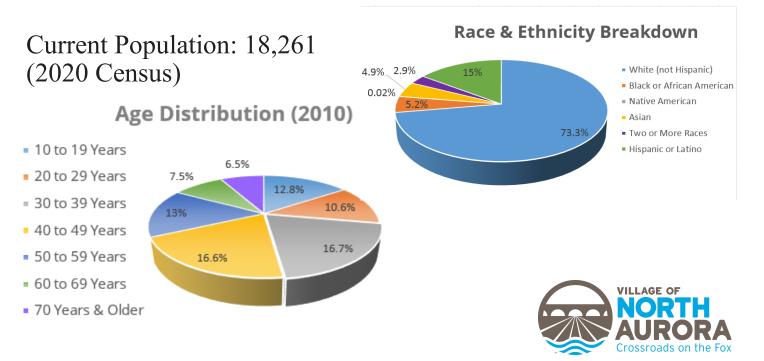
# **Demographics and History**

Located in the heart of Chicago's western suburbs, North Aurora is quaintly situated along the Fox River in Kane County. Only 40 minutes west of the City of Chicago, residents of North Aurora enjoy direct access to I-88, Route 31 (Lincolnway), Route 25 (River Road), Route 56 (Butterfield Road), Randall Road, and Orchard Road. The proximity of these major suburban routes makes for easy traveling around town and into Chicago's metropolitan center.



Originally known as Schneider's Crossing, North Aurora began with the arrival of two adventurous brothers who decided that their search was over when they reached this particular place. John Peter and Nicholas Schneider left their home in Germany to set off on a great expedition. They secured passage on a ship to America, and reached Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1824. The brothers found work as carpenters and millwrights.

In 1832, John Peter and his family traveled westward via rivers and Lake Michigan to the state of Michigan. They took up their journey again in 1833, and got as far west as what is now called Naperville. Nicholas joined his brother shortly thereafter, and they built a sawmill at the mouth of Blackberry Creek near Yorkville. Nicholas remained on the property, but John continued on into the Fox River Valley, settling with his family on the east side of the river on a hill near the site of the present Village Hall. In 1837, a dam was constructed to provide power to the mill John Peter had built. The commercial activity surrounding the mill attracted more families to the area. By the turn of the 19<sup>th</sup> century approximately 300 people lived in town. In 1905, North Aurora was incorporated as a village.



# Village Board

The Village of North Aurora has a trustee-administrator form of government. This form of government consists of the Village President, six Trustees and a Village Clerk. Each elected official has a term of four years. Elections are staggered with three trustees elected every two years. The Village President and Clerk are elected every four years. Municipal elections occur in odd numbered years.



Village President Mark Gaffino (630) 897-8228 Ext. 226 mgaffino@northaurora.org



Village Trustee Jason Christiansen (630) 897-8228 Ext. 202 jchristiansen@northaurora.org



Village Trustee Mark Guethle (630) 897-8228 Ext. 200 mguethle@northaurora.org



Village Clerk Jessi Watkins (630) 897-8228 Ext. 206 jwatkins@northaurora.org



Village Trustee Laura Curtis (630) 897-8228 Ext. 203 lcurtis@northaurora.org



Village Trustee Michael Lowery (630) 897-8228 Ext. 205 mlowery@northaurora.org



Village Board Meetings

7 p.m. at Village Hall Committee of the Whole meetings follow immediately after the Village Board meeting

1st & 3rd Mondays each month

Village Trustee Todd Niedzwiedz (630) 897-8228 Ext. 204 tniedzwiedz@northaurora.org



Village Trustee Carolyn Bird Salazar (630) 897-8228 Ext. 201 csalazar@northaurora.org



# Village Information

#### Website | northaurora.org

#### Emergency: 911

- Fire District: (630) 897-9698
- Police Department: (630) 897-8705

#### Village Hall: (630) 897-8228

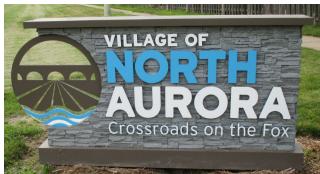
- Administration
- Finance
- Public Works
- Water

#### Community Development: (630) 897-1457

- Building and Zoning: ext. 222
- Code Enforcement: ext. 231
- Development Director: ext. 228
- Plan Commission: 1st Tuesday at 7 p.m.

#### Bi-Monthly Newsletter is included in your Water Bill





#### **Government Transparency**

Northaurora.org > Government > Transparency

The Village of North Aurora prides itself on being responsive to residents while operating in a fiscally responsible and efficient manner. The transparency of our government, and access to information and documents, is a priority of the Village President, the Board of Trustees and Staff. The Village's website has a wealth of information about the Village's individual departments and operations. In addition, the homepage of the website has a link to the transparency page, which provides direct access to a consolidated list of significant documents and information that is readily available to the public.







# Local Civic Groups

### **North Aurora Days**

The Village of North Aurora is proud to continue the North Aurora Days tradition of providing an annual fun-filled weekend in August, complete-with activities and entertainment for the whole family in our great community.

The sponsors, volunteers, and participants of North Aurora Days work hard to plan and provide a great celebration filled with fun for the entire family.

Be sure to review all the information on the North Aurora Days website for times and locations of all the fun and exciting events. Join your friends and bring your family to enjoy the Annual North Aurora Days Celebration!

<u>Interested Volunteers</u> Northauroradays.com > Get Involved Email: volunteer@northauroradays.com

#### **Other Civic Groups Include**

Aurora Regional Chamber of Commerce Aurora Area Convention and Visitors Bureau North Aurora Lions Club North Aurora Mother's Club

<u>Full List at:</u> Northaurora.org > Community > Community Information



Website | northauroradays.org

- \* First Friday in August
- \* Volunteers are Needed!
- \* Family Fun and Fireworks!



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## Administration

#### Website | northaurora.org > Departments > Administration

**Village Hall** 25 E. State Street 630-897-8228

All policy decisions are made by the Village Board.

The Village Administrator is the chief administrative officer for the Village, and is responsible to the Village President and Village Board for the administration, management, and operation of the internal affairs of the Village. This includes the operations of the employees and departments of the village, budgeting, personnel matters, contracts, and intergovernmental agreements.

The Village Administrator also investigates all complaints in relation to Village services and Village administration, and follows up on those complaints by taking appropriate action. The Administrator advises and makes recommendations regarding changes to the current policies, rules, regulations, procedures, practices, and other such appropriate action as the administrator deems advisable from time to time in response to such complaints.

If you have any concerns, issues or questions regarding any Village services or matters, please do not hesitate to contact the Village Administrator directly.

#### Freedom of Information Act (F.O.I.A)

In compliance with the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (F.O.I.A.), the Village of North Aurora will respond to requests for information. Requests can be mailed, personally delivered, faxed, or e-mailed to the attention of the North Aurora F.O.I.A. Officer or Police Department F.O.I.A. Officer. Although not required, a F.O.I.A. request form is preferred and available at the Village of North Aurora and on the Village's website. Requests for information pertaining to the Police Department should be submitted to the Police Department F.O.I.A. officer. All other requests should be submitted to the Administrative F.O.I.A. officer.

#### FOIA Requests:

Police Department – <u>PoliceFOIA@northaurora.org</u> Village Hall – <u>AdminFOIA@northaurora.org</u>

<u>FOIA form is available at:</u> Northaurora.org > Government > FOIA

#### **Strategic Planning**

Strategic Planning is a process where the Village Board and Department Heads work together to form and adjust goals for the Village's future. The completed plan is then adopted by the Village Board.

A copy of the strategic plan is available at:

Northaurora.org > Government > Strategic Plan

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Natalie Stevens Community and Board Relations Coordinator (630) 897-8228, ext. 224 <u>nstevens@northaurora.org</u>

Mike Toth Business and Administrative Services Manager (630) 897-8228, ext. 227 mtoth@northaurora.org



#### Village's Bi-Monthly Newsletter

- Included with your water bill
- Available on our website



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### **Finance Department**

#### Website | northaurora.org > Departments > Finance

The Finance Department is responsible for accounting and financial reporting of all Village funds, preparation and coordination of the annual budget process and long-term financial and capital planning process, coordination of the annual audit and Comprehensive Annual Financial Report preparation, cash receipt collection, utility billing and revenue collection, accounts payable and accounts receivable, coordination of payroll, pensions and employee benefit programs, investment of Village funds, preparation of the annual tax levies, debt is-

suance, refunding's and payment, insurance, financial accounting policies and procedures and the general financial oversight of the Village.

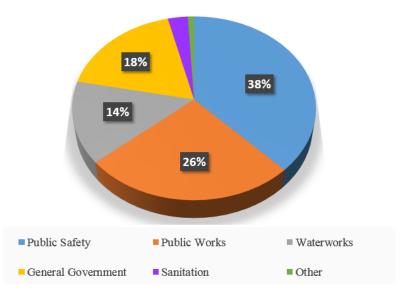
The Village's annual budget and comprehensive annual financial report, can be found at:

Northaurora.org > Departments > Finance > Finance Reports and Budget

Bond Rating: AA+ (Standard and Poor's)

By managing its finances in a progressive and responsible manner, the Village maintained, in 2014, its bond rating of AA+ by Standard and Poor's. (Only a small percentage of municipalities achieve this bond rating.)

#### Total Expenses by Function: \$19,778,098



#### Water Bills & Payment Options

Village of North Aurora water bills are mailed bi-monthly on approximately the 5th day of the month.

Payment Options:

- In Person at the Village Hall (Monday-Friday) **8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.** or dropped in the "Drop Box" after hours located outside of the main doors of Village Hall
- Mailed Directly to Village of North Aurora, P.O. Box 2091, Aurora, IL 60507-2091
- Direct Debit: Pick up application at Village Hall or download at: northaurora.org > Finance > Direct Debit Application
- Credit Card Online and elect to receive bill via email

Jason Paprocki Finance Director (630) 897-8228 ext. 225 jpaprocki@northaurora.org

31, Oswego, IL 60543 or go to Fox Metro's website <u>www.foxmetro.dst.il.us</u>.

Fox Metro Wastewater Reclamation issues the sewer treatment bill to the resi-

dents, based on their water consumption. Payments should be mailed directly to Fox Metro at 682 State Route



Fiscal Year Begins June 1st

## **Community Development**

#### Website | northaurora.org > Departments > Community Development

The Community Development Department includes four full-time responsible for coordinating economic development employees programs; planning and zoning initiatives; code enforcement and property maintenance; building permit processing; and compliance with Village ordinances.

The Community Development Department is open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Building permit, zoning and other general

inquiries can be answered during normal business hours. It is highly recommended to contact the department before conducting property improvements to verify if a permit is required and whether the project is compliant with Village code.

Building permit applications, general building and zoning information, and all relevant contact information can also be found on the Community Development Department—Building and Zoning webpage.

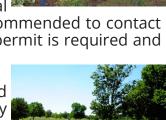
#### Northaurora.org > Departments > Community Development

| <ul> <li>Building Division</li> <li>Building Permits</li> <li>Business Registration</li> </ul>  | Code Enforcement <ul> <li>Illegal Dumping</li> <li>Outdoor Burning</li> <li>Property Maintenance</li> <li>Tall Grass and Weeds</li> <li>Watering Violations</li> </ul> |  |
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| <ul> <li>Economic Development</li> <li>Business Attraction</li> <li>Business Retention</li> <li>Route 31 TIF Facade Grant<br/>Program Facilitation</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Planning</li> <li>Comprehensive Planning</li> <li>Site Plan Review</li> <li>Zoning Review</li> <li>Zoning Text Amendments</li> </ul>                          |  |

We are always excited to work with North Aurora residents and businesses! Please do not hesitate to contact our office with any questions at (630) 897-1457. And as always, remember to call J.U.L.I.E at 811 before you dig!

Nathan Darga Community Development Director ndarga@northaurora.org







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# **Police Department**

#### 200 S. Lincolnway North Aurora, IL 60542 630-897-8705

The North Aurora Police Department provides policing services to approximately 17,000 residents within our 10 square mile community. The department utilizes the latest technology and training methods to stay in the forefront of the law enforcement community. The department is proactive, working aggressively and consistently to identify and resolve problems and other issues to improve the quality of life within our community.



It is the mission of the North Aurora Police Department to work in partnership with the citizens of North Aurora toward providing a safe environment and enhancing the quality of life consistent with the values of the community. We are committed to creating an atmosphere of safety and security in North Aurora while maintaining the highest standards of integrity, dignity, fairness, and professionalism.

The North Aurora Police Department lobby is generally open from **7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.**, Monday through Friday. When the lobby is closed, there is a call box located on the post to the right of the front door, inside the foyer. Simply push the call button and you will automatically be connected to a dispatcher for assistance.



#### **Crime Prevention Programs**

Citizen Police Academy Community Online Patrol (C.O.P.) Bytes National Night Out Emergency Management Association School Fun Fairs Station Tours Too Good for Drugs



You can also visit our website at: **northaurora.org > Departments > Police Department** for downloadable forms, bi-weekly North Aurora crime reports, and other relevant information for North Aurora residents.

Chief Joe DeLeo North Aurora Police Department jdeleo@northaurora.org



### **Public Works Department**

#### Website | northaurora.org > Departments > Public Works

The Village of North Aurora Public Works Department welcomes you to North Aurora. We strive to provide excellent service to all of our residents and maintain our public infrastructure. If you have questions or comments regarding the services listed below, please feel free to contact Village Hall at (630) 897-8228 ext. 260 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on weekdays.



The Department has seven full-time employees. The day-to-day operations of the department are overseen by the Superintendent of Public Works.

The North Aurora Public Works Department provides the following maintenance services:

- Maintenance to all Public Works Buildings
- Perform maintenance to all Public Works and Police equipment
- Sanitary sewer maintenance in conjunction with Fox Metro
- Snow and ice removal and pretreatment of roadways
- Maintenance of storm sewer infrastructure of approximately 109 miles and 6,191 manholes and inlets
- Streetlight maintenance for approximately 849 lights
- Maintenance of approximately 1,662 sanitary manholes and 69.8 miles of sanitary sewer lines
- Village owned street and sidewalk maintenance (approximately 77 miles)



Please remember to call the Public Works Department if you experience a sewer back-up in your home (630-897-8228 ext. 260). Also, Village Code prohibits parking of vehicles on the street after 2" of snow.

North Aurora is a great place to live and work. If the Public Works Department can assist you in any way, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Brian Richter Public Works Director brichter@northaurora.org Brandon Tonarelli Assistant Public Works Director / Village Engineer **btonarelli@northaurora.org** 



# Water System

#### Website | northaurora.org > Departments > Water

The Village of North Aurora Water Department strives to maintain and improve infrastructure, while at the same time, prepare for future water demand. The Village maintains the water main, fire hydrants, service connections from the main to the B-Box (point where Village service ends and private homeowners service begins), and the water meter. The Water Department operates out of the Village Hall and the Public Works garage.

#### North Aurora's Water and Infrastructure:

The Village uses a deep well system for its source water and maintains 111.2 miles of water main. Currently, there are six wells drilled to an average depth of 1300'.

The water runs through two different treatment plants, one on the west side and one on the east side, which removes radium from the deep well water and make it ready for consumption. The process the Village uses to remove radium is by Hydrous Manganese Oxide (HMO) chemical injection. HMO is added to the

raw well water. HMO attaches to the radium in the water which then makes the radium removable when traveling through the filters.

The water pressure is created by the height of water in the elevated towers. Any additional water, not being consumed by residents while wells are running, fills the towers. When the towers get full, the wells shut off. The 1.5 million gallons of water, in the two towers, comes directly to your homes and businesses.

The Village is currently working on the design for a water tower with a 750,000 gallons for storage capacity.

#### Water Restrictions

Current water restrictions only allow automatic lawn sprinkling between **6:00 a.m.** and **9:00 a.m.** and **6:00 p.m.** and **9:00 p.m.** with <u>even-numbered</u> <u>addresses</u> restricted to watering on even-numbered days of the month and <u>odd-numbered</u> <u>addresses</u> restricted to watering on odd-numbered days of the month. For any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to call our Utility Billing Specialist or the Superintendent of Water Operations, Adam Hake, at the North Aurora Village Hall at (630) 897-8228 ext. 223.

Brian Richter Public Works Director brichter@northaurora.org Adam Hake Water Superintendent ahake@northaurora.org







### **Garbage and Recycling Program**

#### Northaurora.org > Community > Garbage, Recycling and Yard Waste



#### The Village of North Aurora contracts for Garbage and Recycling with Groot

#### Groot Website: www.groot.com/waste-management-chicago/village-ofnorth-aurora Groot Phone Number: (630) 892-9294

#### **General Guidelines:**

<u>Groot</u> will service the Village of North Aurora for waste hauler services on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday each week. The collection days are:

**Monday:** Households west of Randall Road **Tuesday:** Households east of Randall Road and west of the Fox River **Wednesday:** Households east of the Fox River

#### Garbage:

- Each resident may place unlimited number of bags or cans, not exceeding 35 gallons and 50 lbs. of regular household trash at the curb each week.
- One refuse sticker per 35 gallon container/bag is required.
- Residents have an option to rent a 95 gallon or 65 gallon toter through Groot for a monthly fee.

#### Recycling:

- Residents are provided with one 65-gallon recycling cart.
- Stickers are not required on recycling containers.

#### Yard Waste:

- Free Leaf Collection by Groot- leaves placed in 35 gallon biodegradable Kraft paper bags will not require a sticker for collection between October 1 and November 30.
- Free Village Leaf Curbside Pickup by Village- No bag or sticker required in October and November Check schedule on Village website: Departments > Public Works > Curb Side Leaf Program
- Yard Waste- April 1 to November 30; one sticker per biodegradable Kraft paper bag. The first two weeks of April yard waste pickup are FREE! Groot also offers a subscription service; contact them for details.
- *Christmas Trees* free pick up no stickers required between Christmas and end of January.

#### **Other Collections:**

- Larger Bulk Items- items too large to fit in an approved 35 gallon bag ,weighing less than 50 lbs., will require 1 refuse sticker; items that weigh more than 50 lbs. requires 5 refuse stickers.
- White goods (under 50 pounds) will be collected on your regularly scheduled collection day with one sticker affixed to each item. White goods exceeding 50 pounds will require 5 stickers affixed to each item. Residents must call Groot at (630) 892-9294 to schedule collection of white goods.
- Find information about **electronics**, **old medicine disposal**, **batteries**, **and other items** on the Village website and locations to safely dispose of these items.

#### Unacceptable Items:

• Waste paint, pesticides, poisons, cleaning solvents, tainted gasoline, used oil, e-waste (electronics & televisions), medical waste (sharps) and fluorescent bulbs.

#### Fall Clean-Up Day: Check the Village Calendar for information!

- Dates are posted on the Village's website & in the Village's newsletter.
- Regular garbage and yard waste will require stickers as usual.
- Loose items need to be tied in bundles; placed in bags not exceeding 35 gallons and 50 lbs.



## **Library and Fire District**

#### Messenger Public Library

Shannon Halikias Library Administrator

113 Oak Street, North Aurora, IL 60542 Website: messengerpl.org- Phone (630) 896-0240

#### **General Library Information**

Hours of operation: Monday -Thursday 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Friday-Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun (Sept. - May) 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Library Board Meetings

- 2nd Thursday of the month at 7 p.m.
- Location: Messenger Public Library of North Aurora

The Messenger Public Library of North Aurora informs, connects and enriches the community of North Aurora. The Library offers a welcoming space for programs for all ages, meeting spaces, study rooms, access to over 100,000 books, DVDs, magazines, newspapers, eBooks, online resources, and more. Stop in, call, or take a look at our website and online calendar of events to find out more information on what's new.

### North Aurora Fire Protection District Interim Chief Mike Klemencic

Station 1 - 2 N. Monroe Street, North Aurora, IL 60542 Station 2 - 2201 Tanner Road, North Aurora, IL 60542

Website: Nafd.org Phone: (630) 897-9698

North Aurora Fire Protection District Board Meetings

- 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m.
- Location: Fire Station 1







The NAFD is also part of the Southern Kane County Training Association that was formed to offer training to firefighters. Over 1,600 students from 162 different fire departments send firefighters to our location to take part in 28 different subject areas. Management, Technical Rescue and Hazardous Materials make up the major portion of our curriculum. A 10 acre training site has been constructed on Butterfield Road to accommodate the practical

education portion of the classes.







### Schools, Townships, Park Districts

#### School Districts Serving Residents of North Aurora

#### **School District 101**

Batavia School District Rosalie Jones Administration Center 335 West Wilson Street, Batavia, IL 60510 Phone: (630) 879-4600 ext. 4000 <u>bps101.net/</u>

#### **School District 129**

West Aurora School District 1877 W. Downer Place, Aurora, IL 60506 Phone: (630) 301-5000 sd129.org/

#### **School District 302**

Kaneland School District Kaneland CUSD 302 47W326 Keslinger Road, Maple Park, IL 60151 Phone: 630-365-5100 ext.109 <u>kaneland.org</u>

### **Parks and Recreation**

#### **Batavia Park District**

327 W. Wilson Batavia, IL Phone: (630) 879-5235 <u>bataviaparks.org</u>

#### **Fox Valley Park District**

712 S. River St. Aurora, IL 60506 Phone: 630-897-0516 foxvalleyparkdistrict.org

#### **Sugar Grove Park District**

61 Š. Main St. Sugar Grove, IL 60554 Phone: 630-466-7436 <u>sugargroveparkdistrict.org</u>

### Townships

#### Aurora Township

80 N. Broadway Aurora, IL 60507 Phone:630-897-8777 auroratownship.org

#### Batavia Township

131 Flinn St Batavia, IL 60510 Phone: 630-879-1392 bataviatownship.com

#### **Blackberry Township**

43W390 Main Street Rd Elburn, IL 60119 Phone: 630-365-9109 <u>blackberrytwp.com</u>

#### Sugar Grove Township

54 Snow St, PO Box 1138 Sugar Grove, IL 60554 Phone: 630-466-4283 townshipofsugargrove.com

#### **Community College**

#### Waubonsee Community College

Route 47 Waubonsee Drive Sugar Grove, IL 60554 Phone: (630) 466-7900 <u>waubonsee.edu</u>



## **Utilities and Post Office**

### **Utility Contact Information**

#### Fox Metro Water Reclamation District

(Sanitary Sewer) 682 State Route 31 Oswego, IL 60543 1- 630-892-4378



#### Commonwealth Edison (ComEd)

P.O. Box 805379 Chicago, IL 60680-5379 1-800-334-7661



#### <u>Nicor Gas</u>

Corporate Headquarters 1844 Ferry Road Naperville, IL 60563 1-888-642-6748



<u>AT&T</u> Naperville, IL 60563-9600 1-800-244-4444



Comcast 1-800-COMCAST

<u>Metronet</u> 1-630-345-6100







#### Post Office Information

North Aurora Post Office 65 Randall Road North Aurora, IL 60542 Phone: (630) 896-3836

#### (located in the Clock Tower Plaza)

Please enter the facility from Randall Road

#### <u>Retail Hours</u>

Mon.- Fri: 9:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Sat: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

### Post Office Boxes are open 24 hours





## Frequently Asked Questions

When is garbage pick-up, where do I get recycle bins, & how many stickers do large items require? - Groot will service the Village of North Aurora for waste hauler services on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday each week. The collection days are: Monday: Households west of Randall Road | Tuesday: Households east of Randall Road and west of the Fox River | Wednesday: Households east of the Fox River. Groot provides a wheeled recycling cart to all North Aurora residences. This cart is intended to stay with the residence it was provided to. For more recycling information please see the recycling brochure on the Village's website. Large trash items up to 50 lbs. require one (1) garbage sticker and any large items over 50 lbs. will require five (5) garbage stickers. 65 and 95 gallon refuse toters are available for rental through Groot. Please remember that per Village ordinance, all refuse containers are not allowed at the street corner prior to 3:00 p.m. the evening preceding pick-up. Refuse in containers must be covered at all times with a secure lid, or be within a secure plastic/paper bag.

Where can I purchase garbage stickers? - Please Visit our Website or call Village Hall

**If I am having a garage sale do I need a permit, and where can I put my signs?** A permit is not required for garage sales. However, garage sale signs may only be placed on the private property hosting the sale. Signs are not allowed on entrance corners of subdivisions, parkways, etc.

Why is there a Sewer Maintenance Fee on my water bill? - The sewer maintenance fee is paid to the Village to <u>maintain</u> the Village's sewer lines. This is different from the Fox Metro sewer bill which is billed to residents for the treatment of sewer water.

What watering restrictions does the Village of North Aurora have? - Watering Restrictions in North Aurora are as follows: Watering is allowed only between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. and between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. with the following restrictions; ONLY properties with even numbered street addresses may use water for restricted watering purposes on even-numbered days of the month only; and ONLY properties with odd-numbered street addresses may use water for restricted watering purposes on odd-numbered days of the month. Please contact the Water Department at 630-897-8228, ext. 223 with questions or concerns.

Why hasn't my street been plowed yet? - The Village prioritizes plowing based on road usage. Primary streets and collector streets are plowed first, secondary streets are next, and cul-de-sacs are plowed last.

**Where do I pay my property tax bill? -** The Kane County Treasurers Office collects all tax payments at 719 South Batavia Avenue, Geneva, IL. You can expect to receive your property tax bill by the second week of May. The first installment is due by June 1st in order to avoid penalty, while the second installment is due September 1st.

**Where can I register to vote? -** You can register to vote at the Village Hall, the Kane County Voters Registration Office, and the Messenger Public Library.

**Do I have to register my pet with the Village? -** No, please see your vet for paperwork on registering with Kane County. The Village does not have a separate license.



# **Frequently Asked Questions**

What areas of the Village have been recently sprayed for mosquitoes and who can I call to have my neighborhood sprayed for mosquitoes? - To report troublesome mosquito areas, or to find out when the Village was recently sprayed for mosquitoes, call the Clarke Mosquito Hotline at 1 -800-942-2555.

**Where can I drop off hazardous waste? -** Hazardous waste can be dropped off at the Naperville Household Hazardous Waste Facility located at 156 Fort Hill Drive, Naperville, IL. Phone No. **630-420 -6095.** Hours of Operation: Saturdays and Sundays from **9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** excluding holidays. For more information, please visit their website at: <u>https://www.naperville.il.us/services/garbage-and-recycling/household-hazardous-waste-facility/</u>.

What are my electricity options? - To establish electric service, first contact ComEd to set up an account by calling 800-334-7661. The Village has established an electric aggregation program and has contracted with Dynegy Energy to supply electricity (supporting 100% renewable energy). If you wish to participate in the aggregation program and sign up to receive your electricity supply from Dynegy Energy, please call Dynegy Energy at 844-351-7691. For other electric supplier options visit <a href="https://www.pluginillinois.org/">https://www.pluginillinois.org/</a>. Please note that regardless of which supplier option you choose, you must first establish an account with ComEd. Please note, ComEd will deliver your electricity service and will provide the bill for your electricity service, regardless of which supplier you choose to go with. For more information on the Village's Electric Aggregation visit our website at: <a href="http://northaurora.org/departments/finance.aspx">http://</a>.

**When is the Fall Clean-up Day?** - The Village's current contract with Groot provides for a fall cleanup event on your regularly scheduled garbage day. The actual date for Fall Clean-up will change from year to year, so please check the Village Newsletter (which is mailed with your water bill every two months) and also check the Village's website at: <u>http://northaurora.org/community.aspx</u> for the annual date and Groot Guidelines. Regular garbage and yard waste will be picked up the same day as your clean-up day, and will require stickers as usual. All other items, large or small, will be removed for free with no sticker required, on the free Fall clean-up day. The following requirements should be followed when preparing for the free clean-up days:

Items for disposal must be contained in either cans or bags (up to 35 gallon capacity) not exceeding 50 pounds, or tied in bundles 4'x2' not exceeding 50 pounds in weight. Bulk items such as sofas or tables are exempt from the weight limit regulation on clean-up day. Items not properly prepared will not be picked up, and will require a sticker for the next regularly scheduled collection day.

Answers to these questions and more information can also be found on the Village's website at <u>northaurora.org</u> or contact Village Hall at 630-897-8228.

Thank you for choosing the Village of North Aurora!

