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Cereal Shortage at Food Pantry



The Vernon Township Food Pantry is in urgent need of cereal. After our most recent resident shopping day, the shelves are nearly bare. Cereal is a nutritious staple for many of the families we serve, and we need your help to restock this item. Donations may be dropped off Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the [Township office](#), or left anytime in the donation cart outside. Every box matters - please help us support the more than 275 families who depend on the Pantry each month. Click [here](#) for more information.

Holiday Giving Opportunities

The holidays are right around the corner, and Vernon Township invites our residents to share the season of giving through our Holiday Sponsor-A-Family Programs.

Sponsors may choose to provide a Thanksgiving basket, holiday gifts, or both, to local families. Thanksgiving Baskets typically include non-perishable items and a grocery gift card for a turkey or fresh foods, while Winter Holiday Sponsors can purchase gifts from a suggestion list of clothing, household needs and other necessities. Once you sign up, the Township's Food Pantry staff will match you with a family and provide anonymous details along with a suggested food or gift list.



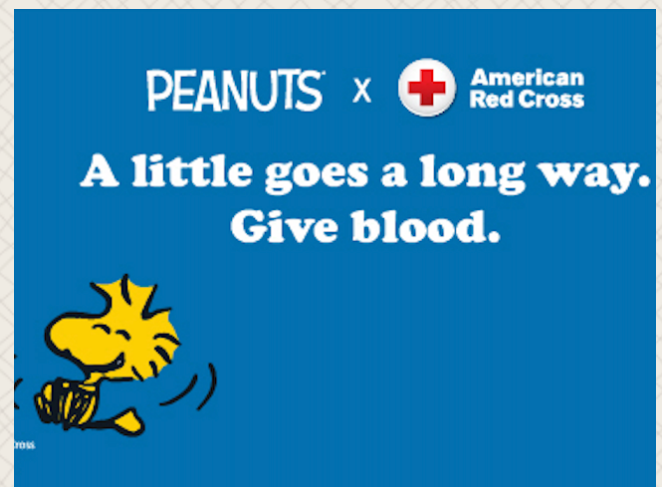
Help make the holidays brighter for a neighbor in need - sign up [here](#). To contact the Food Pantry for more information, call **(847) 634-4600** or [send an email](#).

Free Shred Event



Vernon Township will host a Community Shredding Event on Monday, September 15, from noon to 2:30 p.m. This free event gives residents a secure way to dispose of sensitive documents such as old checks, insurance papers, medical records, bills, and invoices. Each household may bring up to three medium-sized boxes of materials. **Please note** - magazines, manila folders, and binders will not be accepted. Additional details are available on the [Vernon Township website](#).

September 11 Blood Drive



The Vernon Township Community Blood Drive, hosted in partnership with State Representative Daniel Didech and the American Red Cross, is this Thursday, September 11, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the [Community Service Building](#). Every donation has the power to save lives. Appointments can be scheduled at [redcrossblood.org](#).

Expanded Mental Health Funding



The Vernon Township Community Mental Health Board has finalized its third round of funding by approving grants for [Jewish Community Centers of Chicago](#) and [NAMI Cook County North Suburban](#). With these additions, a total of 23 agencies have been awarded Community Grants in the past month, supporting vital programs that address mental health, substance use and developmental disabilities. Learn about the 21 previous grant recipients [here](#).



Changes to 2026 Summer Camp

Summer camp wrapped up another fun and active season at Vernon Township, offering children ages four to seven a chance to learn, play and make new friends. Looking ahead to 2026, summer camp will run from June 15 through July 31, with exciting updates - eight-year-olds will now be welcome to the program, and camp hours will be extended to 3 p.m., giving campers even more time for fun and enrichment. These updates reflect the Township's commitment to offering a safe, engaging and flexible summer experience for our youngest residents!

Be Fiscally Fit!



Lake County Treasurer Holly Kim is hosting "Fiscally Fit in 2025" - a series of classes designed to help residents build healthy money habits. The next session, "How to Make a Budget and Live Within your Means," will be held Tuesday, September 23 at 7 p.m. at the [Vernon Township Community Service Building](#). This in-person workshop will cover financial fundamentals, practical budgeting strategies, and tips for controlling spending to help you manage your finances more effectively. To learn more, click [here](#).

Catch Up with Supervisor Tim Kobler!



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