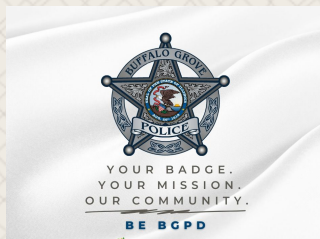


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A NETWORK OF DIVERSE INDIVIDUALS COMING TOGETHER AND BUILDING COMMUNITY!

Buffalo Grove Police Department Hosts Community Drive



Throughout the month of March, the Buffalo Grove Police Department is hosting a community donation drive to collect essential household and personal care items for residents served by Vernon Township and Wheeling Township.

While some individuals and families receive support through the Illinois Department of Human Services Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), those benefits can only be used to purchase food and do not cover everyday necessities such as hygiene products, cleaning supplies and other household essentials. This drive is designed to help bridge that gap by providing non-food items that promote health, dignity and stability for local residents.

All donations collected during the month-long effort can be dropped off in the lobby of the [Buffalo Grove Police Department](#) and will directly support township food pantries and assistance programs, ensuring neighbors in need have access to critical supplies beyond groceries. Community members are encouraged to participate and help make a meaningful difference for local families. Learn more [here](#).

Facility Maintenance

Park/Camp Building Roof Replacement



As part of preparations for the upcoming summer season, Vernon Township is replacing the roof on the park/camp building to provide a safe, secure and well-maintained space for summer campers and Township staff. This improvement reflects the Township's ongoing commitment to maintaining high quality facilities that support youth programs and community activities.

Pool Repairs to Prepare for the Season!



Vernon Township is now making essential repairs to the plaster in the pool. While this improvement may not be immediately noticeable, it is vital to the pool's safety, comfort, and long-term durability. New plaster provides a smoother surface for swimmers, protects the structural integrity of the pool, and helps to maintain the facility's condition for years to come. The Township looks forward to welcoming everyone back to an enhanced pool experience on Memorial Day (Monday, May 25)!

Social Services Funding

 IMPORTANT GRANT DATES 		
	OPENING	CLOSING
Vernon Township Social Services Funding	February 3 rd , 2026	March 24 th , 2026
VTMHB Social Service Agency Grant	April 6 th , 2026	May 29 th , 2026

Vernon Township is accepting grant applications from nonprofit organizations that serve Township residents. These grants are to support agencies that provide services outside of the mental health umbrella. Through these grants, the Township's aim is to ensure programs that serve residents remain accessible. Applications are due Tuesday, March 24, by 4 p.m. Nonprofits can apply [here](#).



Learn about Community Mental Health Board grant recipient, Youth & Family Counseling [here](#).



Early Voting in Lake County

Early voting for Lake County residents in the upcoming Primary Election is available beginning today (Monday, March 2), at Vernon Township's [William E. Peterson Park](#). Voters with questions should contact the Lake County Clerk's Office at **847-377-2410** or send an [email](#).

Please note an important mail-in ballot update: due to a recent United States Postal Service (USPS) policy change, postmarks now reflect the date mail is processed, **not** the date it is received. As a result, ballots may be postmarked several days after they are placed in the mail. To ensure timely processing and counting, voters should bring completed ballots directly to a USPS retailer counter and request an immediate postmark. Another option is to utilize an official, secure ballot drop box. For additional information, click [here](#).

Register Now for Vernon Township Summer Camp

Vernon Township Summer Camp runs Monday, June 15 through Friday, July 31, and now welcomes children up to age 8. Full-day sessions are held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and include games, crafts, sports, weekly themes, special guests and lifeguard-led swim lessons every third day. Families with children ages 4 - 8 (by September 1, 2026), are encouraged to register [here](#).



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