

2021

YEAR END OVERVIEW

Dear Resident,

It is a great honor to be your Highway Commissioner. The Highway Department maintains and services the roads, bridges, and road right of ways in unincorporated Orland Township, keeping them safe and accessible.

Improving the safety and overall appearance of our community is a cooperative effort between the Highway Department and its residents. My goal is to improve communications with our residents, enhance services and improve transparency. I hope this newsletter serves as a resource for Highway Department information. **See you around the Community!**

- ANTONIO RUBINO



GRANT UPDATES

In the 2022 Fiscal Year Budget, my office is slated to receive two \$50,000 grants from the State of Illinois. One will go toward capital improvements and the other will cover costs associated with infrastructure improvements. In addition, I have applied for a grant called Green Infrastructure Partnership Opportunity Program through the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District.

NEW DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS

Since taking office this year, my team has worked to create new programs and enhance existing initiatives for our community:

- Expanded Electronic Recycling and Hours
- On-site Document Shredding
- ReWearable Program
- Book/Magazine/Cardboard Recycling
- Road Checks
- Eliminated Petty Cash
- Speed Camera Trailer Initiative
- Prescription Take-Back Program

TAX LEVY

ORLAND TOWNSHIP - ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT

My office proposed a 0% property tax levy for 2022 which will result in the Orland Township Highway Department property tax bill remaining flat, with no increases. The current tax levy for the Orland Township Highway Department is \$1,196,151.00. 52%, or \$621,998.52, of the tax levy is allocated for the Orland Township Highway Department and 48%, or \$574,152.48, is allocated to the municipality share between Orland Park, Tinley Park and Orland Hills.



- Orland Township Highway Dept. **\$621,998.52**
- Municipal Share Orland Park, Tinley Park and Orland Hills **\$574,152.48**

IN-HOME HOSPITAL BEDS

Orland Township residents in need of a hospital bed for in-home care, please contact my office to request delivery of a bed.

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WE NEED YOUR HELP!

I am seeking grant opportunities to improve our roads and drainage. I am asking for your help with this matter by providing my office with any specific records (information, photos, insurance claims) regarding damage to your property due to flooding, storm-water, drainage, roadway and/or ditch issues on or near the roadway. Please call my office at 708-403-5148 or email your photos/records to highway@orlandtownship.org

ROAD EVALUATION

My office is in the process of having all unincorporated roads evaluated. Please be patient during this process and updates will be disseminated as they are received.

SPRING CREEK STUDY

My office is working on an agreement with Cook County for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). This grant will allow for a study in Spring Creek between 155th and 159th Street with the following objectives aimed at reducing flooding:

- Collect topographical data
- Conduct a storm water modeling effort
- Prepare a proposed scope of corrections
- Conduct feasibility studies as well as address wetland and permit impacts for the project

Once the situation has been properly studied and analyzed, a program can be developed that will help resolve the flooding issues.

WE'VE BEEN BUSY!



173,659 lbs
ELECTRONICS RECYCLED



89,375 lbs
PAPER SHREDDED



775 lbs
ALUMINUM CANS RECYCLED



1,307 lbs
CARDBOARD RECYCLED



250+ lbs
PRESCRIPTION DRUGS
recycled in our Take-Back Program



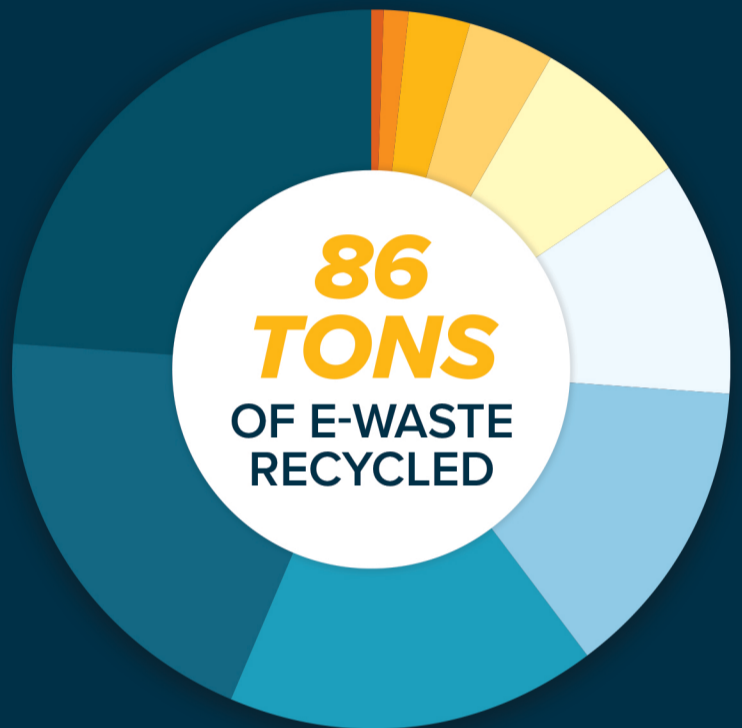
4,100 lbs
CLOTHING DONATED



2,980 lbs + \$456.22
FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS
*Shred Event and Aluminum Can Recycling



16 Delivered
HOSPITAL BEDS



E-RECYCLE BREAKDOWN

- **40,575 lbs** - TV Peripherals
- **36,999 lbs** - CRT Televisions
- **30,415 lbs** - Flat Screen TVs
- **24,134 lbs** - Computers/Laptops
- **19,471 lbs** - Printers/Scanners/Fax
- **13,892 lbs** - Projection TVs
- **6,744 lbs** - Monitors
- **834 lbs** - Computer Peripherals
- **460 lbs** - Wires
- **135 lbs** - Broadcast Peripherals

BETTER EVERY DAY

With your help, the Highway Department and local communities have **reduced global waste by shredding 89,375 lbs of paper. That's equal to:**

- 760 Trees Saved
- 312,830 Gallons of Water Preserved
- 183,229 Kw of Energy Reduced
- 2,681lbs of Pollution Removed
- 224 Cubic Yards of Landfill Saved



Orland Trails Sign Restoration