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December 5, 2025

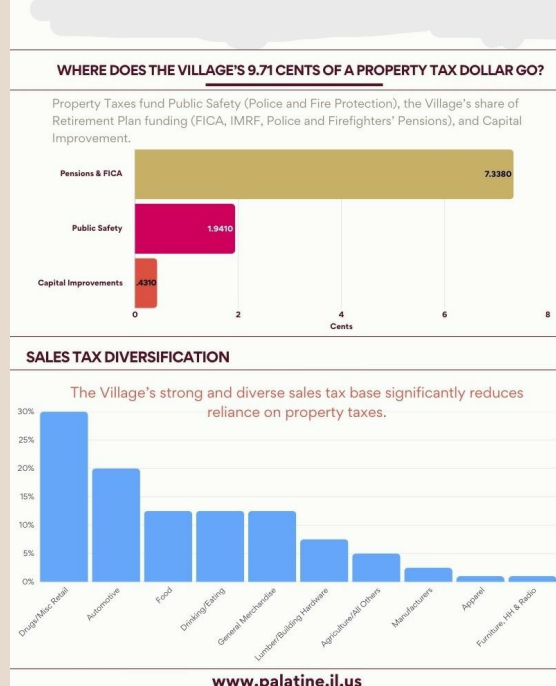
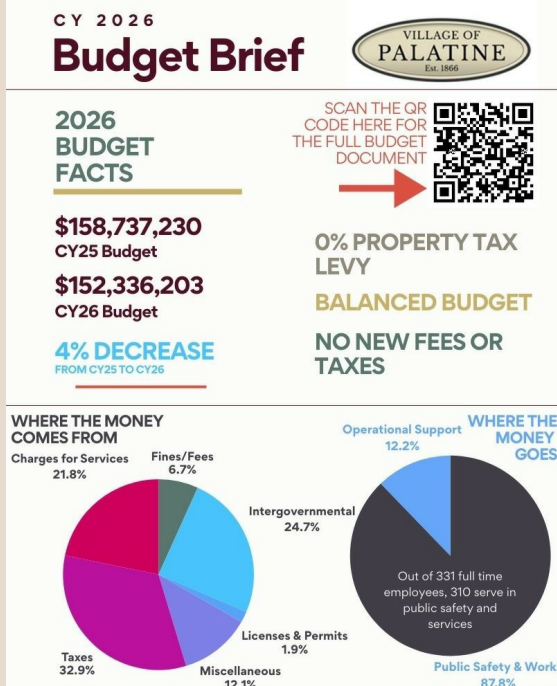
Final Collection of Curbside Yard Waste Week of December 8



The final season's collection of bagged yard waste and bundled brush will end the week of December 8, 2025. Final bagged yard waste collection will take place on your regular garbage collection day. Please have yard waste at the curb by 6:30 AM on your collection day. Curbside yard waste collection will resume the week of March 30, 2026.

For yard waste collection guidelines, visit our [website](#) or call the Environmental Health Division at (847) 359-9042.

Village Council Approves 2026 Budget



The Village Council approved the 2026 Budget during Monday's Council meeting. The 2026 budget marks the seventh consecutive year of a stable or decreasing property tax levy. The 2026 budget does not include any new fees or taxes, no increase to the property tax levy, and marks another debt-free year. It makes significant investments in our water, sewer and flood control infrastructure as well as record spending on our road program.

Here are a few highlights included in the 2026 budget:

- No Increase to Property Tax Levy
- No Debt Levy
- Renewed Focus and Investment in Downtown District
- Continued Record Investment in Road Network and Water System
- Strategic Outsourcing to Enhance our Technology Functions

You can read the full 2026 budget on our [website](http://www.palatine.il.us).

Keep the Wreath Red

The Palatine Fire Department is once again participating in "Keep the Wreath Red" safety campaign. From Thanksgiving to New Year's Day, a wreath adorned with red lights will be displayed at all five of our fire stations. Each time they respond to a holiday-related call, one red light will be replaced with a white bulb. We encourage you to take notice of the wreaths and use this as a reminder to check for fire hazards in your home.



Wishing you and your loved ones a safe and happy holiday season from all of us at the Palatine Fire Department!

Helping Community Families in Need



Each year the Palatine Township coordinates a number of programs which assist our neighbors in need. Helping families from our community is a wonderful way to celebrate the true meaning of the holiday season.

If you would like to help please consider the following options:

- Donate a **Gift Card**
- Donate to the **Food Pantry**
- Make a tax-deductible donation to the **Palatine Township Foundation**

Thank you for your generosity. For more information visit the Palatine Township **website**.

Holiday Light Recycling Program

The Village of Palatine, in partnership with the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC) and Elgin Recycling, is pleased to offer a Holiday Light Recycling Program now until January 31, 2026.

Holiday string lights can be dropped off at the Palatine Village Hall, Village Services Counter (first floor), Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Accepted Items:

- Holiday string lighting (minilights, C7 & C9, rope, and LED)
- Extension cords

Not Accepted:

- Wreaths, garlands, or other holiday decorations

Important: Do not place string lights or extension cords in your recycling cart. For more information, contact the Environmental Health Division at 847-359-9042. Help reduce waste this holiday season!



**HOLIDAY LIGHT
RECYCLE PROGRAM**

A New Option to Recycle Leftover Paint



SWANCC is excited to announce that, as of December 1, 2025, Illinois has a new, easy option to recycle paint with **PaintCare** at more than 250 drop-off sites across the state.

The **PaintCare** program is Illinois's new initiative that makes it easier to recycle or safely dispose of leftover latex and oil-based household paint. Funded through a small fee added to the purchase of new paint, the program sets up **FREE**, convenient drop-off sites where residents and businesses can bring unused paint instead of throwing it away. Once collected, the paint is sorted, reused, recycled, or disposed of responsibly, helping

reduce waste and protect the environment.

Find a drop-off location near you and recycle that old paint. Participating locations accept up to 5 gallons per visit (*some may take more*), contact your preferred location to confirm hours and requirements. You will not be charged to drop off acceptable paint at participating locations

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It's National Influenza Vaccination Week

2025-26
FREE FLU & COVID VACCINATION CLINICS

ROTATING
Saturdays
8AM-4PM
October 18, 2025 —
March 28, 2026

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS
BLUE ISLAND
COTTAGE GROVE
NORTH RIVERSIDE
ROBBINS

**For everyone
6 months
and older**

WALK-INS WELCOME • NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED
FREE TO EVERYONE REGARDLESS OF INSURANCE

Protect yourself and others this winter with flu and COVID shots.
Flu and COVID vaccination clinics are on Saturdays only, on a rotating
schedule. See back or scan the QR code at right for dates and locations.

Cook County Public Health
BUILDING HEALTHY COMMUNITIES
COOK COUNTY HEALTH
CountyCare
A MEDICARE HEALTH PLAN

CHECK THE SCHEDULE

It's National Influenza Week, a good time to get vaccinated against flu and COVID-19. Children at least six months old and adults can get free flu and COVID shots at Cook County's vaccination clinics every Saturday through March 28.

Cook County Department of Public Health, in conjunction with Cook County Health and CountyCare, is offering vaccinations on rotating Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in five suburban Cook County locations. No appointment is needed.

A person's immigration status will not stop them from receiving immunizations. Insurance is not required, but community members are asked to bring an I.D. and insurance card, if available. Access the full schedule for the clinics [here](#).

Upcoming Community Events

Palatine Winter Farmers' Market

Palatine Train Station
Saturday, December 6, 9:00 a.m.

Palatine Concert Band Holiday Concert

Cutting Hall Performing Arts Center
Friday, December 5, 7:00 p.m.

PJ's and Pancakes

Thrive Vineyard Church
Saturday, December 6, 9:00 a.m.

Palatine Dance Winter Dance Showcase

Cutting Hall Performing Arts Center
Saturday, December 6, 9:30 a.m.

Holiday Craft Family Workshop

St. Paul United Church of Christ
Saturday, December 6, 10:30 a.m.

Palatine Children's Chorus

"Holiday Rush" Winter Concert

Christmas Bible School

St. Thomas of Villanova Gym
Saturday, December 13, 9:00 a.m.

Fremd Boosters Holiday Craft Fair

Fremd High School
Saturday, December 13, 9:00 a.m.

Cookie Walk

Presbyterian Church
Saturday, December 13, 9:30 a.m.

Santa Paws

Clayson House Museum
Saturday, December 13, 10:00 a.m.

Christmas Musical Program

St. Paul United Church of Christ
Sunday, December 14, 10:00 a.m.

Pet Pictures with Santa

Twin Lakes Clubhouse
Sunday, December 14, 10:00 a.m.

Cutting Hall Performing Arts Center
Saturday, December 6, 2:00 p.m.

**Family Gingerbread House
Decorating**

Birchwood Recreation Center
Sunday, December 7, 12:30 p.m.

Tales for Tots

Immanuel Lutheran School
Thursday, December 11, 10:00 a.m.

Winter Dreamin':

The Allegro Holiday Concert
Cutting Hall Performing Arts Center
Friday, December 12, 7:30 p.m.

Breakfast with Santa

Twin Lakes Clubhouse
Saturday, December 13, 9:00 a.m.

Christmas Concert

Immanuel Lutheran Church
Sunday, December 14, 3:00 p.m.

Christmas Movie Night

Thrive Vineyard Church
Monday, December 15, 6:30 p.m.

Family Holiday Puzzle Palooza

Twin Lakes Clubhouse
Friday, December 19, 5:45 p.m.

Parents Night Out

Rose Park Community Center
Friday, December 19, 6:00 p.m.

P-Town Paddle Battle

Community Center
Saturday, December 20, 7:00 a.m.

(click on the event name for more details)



**Paint and Craft Night
Salt Creek Park District**

Friday, December 12
All Ages
6:30 - 8:30 pm
Twin Lakes Clubhouse



**American Legion
Santa Breakfast**

Saturday, December 13
American Legion
8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Free Pictures with Santa!

PALATINE JAYCEES ANNUAL TREE & WREATH SALE

EVERY FRIDAY THRU SUNDAY, NOV 28 - DEC 21
(PENDING INVENTORY)

FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER PARKING LOT:
340 E PALATINE RD

FRI: 6PM-8PM
SAT: 9AM-8PM
SUN: 10AM-5PM

PHOTOS WITH SANTA
DECEMBER 13TH
10AM-1PM

DROP YOUR
LETTERS IN
SANTA'S MAILBOX
NOV 28 - DEC 14!



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Monday through Friday
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
847-358-7500



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