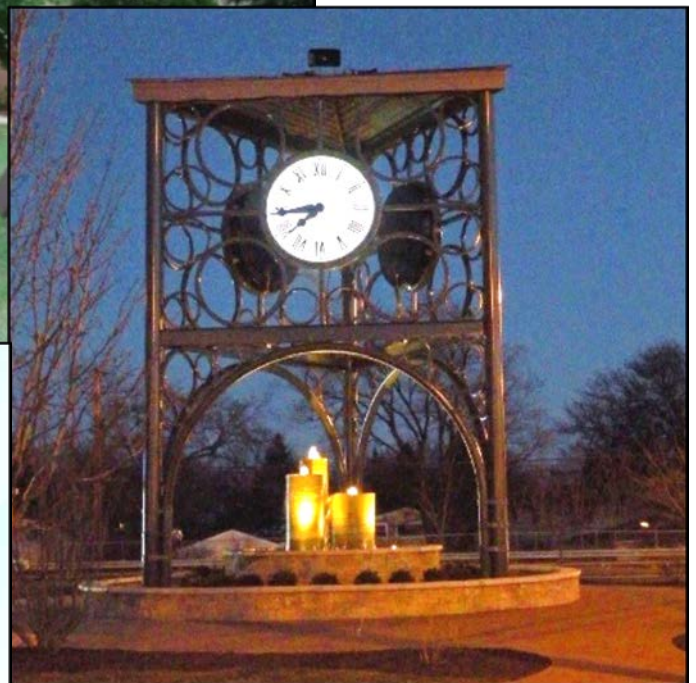


# WELCOME TO THE CITY OF DARIEN

*"A nice place to live"*



1702 Plainfield Road / Darien, Illinois / 630.852.5000





Dear Resident,

Welcome to the City of Darien!

We're very happy that you decided to establish your home in our fine community. Moving into a new home is always a happy experience; and on behalf of your City Council, I wish you many years of health, happiness and prosperity in Darien.

We know there are certain expectations you have regarding your community. We work enthusiastically to improve conditions for our citizens and are constantly striving for more efficiency in our day to day municipal operations. Please know that we welcome your input as we work to serve your interests.

By way of background, Darien was incorporated as a city in December, 1969. There are currently seven Wards in the City, each represented by one Alderman. We have a very fine Police Department, which has an excellent reputation throughout the area. Our Public Works Department is always striving to update our public properties and street system. Our Water Department is responsible for maintaining and improving the water quality and service provided to those in Darien who use the system. I believe that you will find the employees in all of these departments to be true professionals and responsive to your needs.

We have enclosed in this packet more specific information that we believe you should be aware of as a new Darien citizen. If you have questions related to any of the information provided, or any aspects of the City, please call City Hall at 852-5000 any weekday between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. or stop in at City Hall where one of our staff members will be able to assist you. We also recommend that you sign up to receive our "Darien Direct Connect" which serves as a weekly newsletter covering events related to the city and our surrounding communities. You can do this by calling City Hall and requesting this service.

Again, we are happy that you are a part of our Darien family, and we are certain that you will find that Darien is truly "a nice place to live".

Sincerely,

CITY OF DARIEN

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph A. Marchese". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial 'J'.

**Joseph A. Marchese**

Mayor

## ***ELECTED OFFICIALS***

<u><b>POSITION</b></u>	<u><b>NAME &amp; ADDRESS</b></u>	<u><b>PHONE</b></u>	<u><b>TERM</b></u>
<b>Mayor</b>	<b>Joseph A. Marchese</b> 8412 Kentwood Court <a href="mailto:jmarchese@darienil.gov">jmarchese@darienil.gov</a>	(630) 200-2390	05/06/19-05/2023
<b>City Clerk</b>	<b>JoAnne E. Ragona</b> 1726 Holly Avenue <a href="mailto:jragona@darienil.gov">jragona@darienil.gov</a>	(630) 353-8110	05/06/19-05/2023
<b>City Treasurer</b>	<b>Michael J. Coren</b> 2980 Meadow Court <a href="mailto:mjcoren@darienil.gov">mjcoren@darienil.gov</a>	(630) 985-0974	05/06/19-05/2023
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<b>Ward One Alderman</b>	<b>Ted V. Schauer</b> 1029 Hinswood Drive <a href="mailto:tschauer@darienil.gov">tschauer@darienil.gov</a>	(630) 776-1487	05/03/21-05/2025
<b>Ward Two Alderman</b>	<b>Lester Vaughan</b> 516 Chestnut Lane <a href="mailto:lvaughan@darienil.gov">lvaughan@darienil.gov</a>	(708) 359-0817	05/06/19-05/2023
<b>Ward Three Alderman</b>	<b>Joseph A. Kenny</b> 1605 Holly Avenue <a href="mailto:jkenny@darienil.gov">jkenny@darienil.gov</a>	(630) 334-2858	05/03/21-05/2025
<b>Ward Four Alderman</b>	<b>Thomas Chlystek</b> 7805 Sawyer Rd <a href="mailto:tchlystek@darienil.gov">tchlystek@darienil.gov</a>	(708) 505-9257	05/06/19-05/2023
<b>Ward Five Alderwoman</b>	<b>Mary C. Sullivan</b> 8800 Donegal Drive <a href="mailto:msullivan@darienil.gov">msullivan@darienil.gov</a>	(630) 606-8664	05/03/21-05/2025
<b>Ward Six Alderman</b>	<b>Eric Gustafson</b> 7556 Wakefield Drive <a href="mailto:egustafson@darienil.gov">egustafson@darienil.gov</a>	(630) 487-6182	05/06/19-05/2023
<b>Ward Seven Alderman</b>	<b>Thomas J. Belczak</b> 7025 Beechnut Lane <a href="mailto:tbelczak@darienil.gov">tbelczak@darienil.gov</a>	(630) 418-2046	05/03/21-05/2025

*A map of ward boundaries can be found on our website at [www.darien.il.us](http://www.darien.il.us)*

## **DARIEN – A Look Back**

*by The Darien Historical Society*

The story of Darien begins in the 1830s with the settlement of two communities, Cass and Lace, which became the city of Darien.

The Potawatomi, Ottawa, and other Native Americans were the first inhabitants of this area. The surrounding waterways were their trade routes. In the 1700s, settlers pushed westward from the eastern part of the country and Canada. Conflicts between Native Americans and the settlers culminated in the Blackhawk War in 1832. After the war, Native Americans were forced to move west of the Mississippi River, easing settlers' concerns. This, along with the promise of the building of the Illinois and Michigan Canal and the fertile soil of the area, lured more people here from the east and from Europe.

Thomas Andrus and his wife, Melissa, were the first to arrive in what would become Darien. They traveled from Vermont by boat through the Great Lakes to Chicago and came here in horse drawn wagons. The Andrus farm was on the west side of present-day Lemont Road and the I55 North Frontage Road. Once an Indian Trail, the North Frontage Road was the route of a stagecoach line. The Andrus farm house served as an inn for stagecoach travelers. Thomas also kept horses for the stagecoach line. The families of brothers, William and Elisha Smart, and John Oldfield joined the Andrus family in establishing the community of Cass.

The Lace community grew north of the Cass community. It was centered at the intersection of present-day Cass Avenue and 75th Street. Among the first families of Lace, were the Andermanns and the Buschmanns who had emigrated from Germany. Joining these families in Lace were the Wehrmeisters and Warkentiens. Bordered by Plainfield Road, Cass Avenue, and 75th Street, "The Point," was the center of community life in Lace. "The Point" included a general store and blacksmith shop, St. John Lutheran School, and the church parsonage. Directly east of "The Point" stood Conrad Buschmann's creamery where farmers brought their milk to be processed into dairy products. McDonalds stands on the site today. Just north of "The Point" was Lace Hall where dances were held. The entrance to Fred and Sophie Andermann's farm is now the street leading to the Country Lane Apartments off Plainfield Road.

Both Cass and Lace established churches that served as the anchor of not only religious life, but social life as well. The Cass community established the Cass Methodist Episcopal Church that no longer exists. The Lace community established the St. John Lutheran Church. The Cass cemetery and the St. John Lutheran Church cemetery each contain the graves of the first families and also include the graves of Civil War veterans. Both Cass and Lace established their own schools. The first Lace School was built in 1856. It burned and was replaced with the second Lace School built in 1925. Today, the 1925 building is known as Old Lace Schoolhouse and Museum and is the home of the Darien Historical Society. It stands at its original location, the northwest corner of the intersection of 75th Street and Cass Avenue.

Martin Barnaby Madden's family emigrated to Lemont from England in 1869. A barge accident on the Illinois and Michigan Canal led to him being employed at the Western Stone Company. He rose to become its president. Madden married Josephine Smart, the daughter of Elisha Smart. In 1903, Madden built a summer home on Smart family property. His home, which he called Castle Eden, was built to be a replica of the White House in Washington, DC. It is now a part of the Carmelite Spiritual Center. Madden had an illustrious political career culminating in his election to the United States House of Representatives where he served from 1905 until his death in 1928.

The late 1940s, following the end of World War II, saw an increase in the affordability of automobiles and better roads. Better transportation led to people moving out of Chicago and the establishment of suburbs. Fields of wild asparagus were paved over and orchards were felled as farmers sold their land to developers and subdivisions began to emerge where farmers had once raised crops and livestock.

As the population increased, the need for increased services such as police and fire protection became apparent. Deciding that these concerns could best be addressed by becoming a city, four subdivisions, Marion Hills, Hinsbrook, Brookhaven, and Clarefield, formed the Combined Homeowners Committee for Incorporation. In order for the issue to be voted on by the residents, the proposed city had to have a name. A member of the committee, Sam Kelley, having recently enjoyed a visit to Darien, Connecticut, suggested the name Darien. The vote on incorporation was held on December 13, 1969. It passed by less than 50 votes. Over the years, Darien has grown and changed, but it has continued to be a nice place to live.

To learn more about Darien's history, please visit Old Lace Schoolhouse and Museum, like us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/dhsil](https://www.facebook.com/dhsil), and on the web at [www.darienilhistory.org](http://www.darienilhistory.org).

# ***CITY DEPARTMENTS***

## **DARIEN CITY HALL**

**Administration, Personnel, Community Development  
Mayor, Council, City Clerk's Office, Municipal Services Office**

1702 Plainfield Road

Darien, Illinois 60561

Telephone: 630-852-5000

Fax: 630-852-4709

Office Hours: 8:30 - 5:00 P.M.

Monday through Friday

Website: [www.darien.il.us](http://www.darien.il.us)

## **DARIEN POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**Police Personnel & Administration**

1710 Plainfield Road

Darien, Illinois 60561

Administration: 630-971-3999

TDD: 630-971-3999

Fax: 630-971-4326

Lobby Hours: 8am to 5pm Monday thru Friday

7am to 3pm Saturday & Sunday

Closed most Holidays

**9-1-1 For Any Police Response**

## **DARIEN PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY**

**Public Works Streets & Water**

1041 S. Frontage Road

Darien, Illinois 60561

Telephone: 630-353-8105

Fax: 630-852-4709

Hours: 8:30AM – 3:30PM



# ***CITY OF DARIEN COMMUNITY PROFILE / DEMOGRAPHICS***

The City of Darien is located within **DuPage County** where it ranks 27<sup>th</sup> among the 3,145 U.S. counties. Darien is one of the highest income communities in the county. Neighboring communities include: Burr Ridge; Downers Grove; Lemont; Willowbrook; Westmont; and Woodridge.

The Darien City Council has placed a strong emphasis on providing strong basic municipal services. Typically viewed as a volunteer oriented community, Darien has pledged to work closely with citizens, the business community and local organizations. As an example, a Citizen of the Year dinner banquet is held annually to honor a citizen who has devoted his/her time and efforts toward participation in various community activities. There are several volunteer City Commissions that meet monthly and are a vital part of the City Council's decision process. City Council meetings are held on the first and third Monday at 7:30 P.M. each month.

The City is designed, and will continue to grow, as a planned community with a balance of private and multiple residential buildings. The City is striving to provide the convenient shopping areas and the commercial and light research type of industry needed in the proper areas to keep the tax base as broad as possible. Affordable homes, a highly-rated school system and one of the lowest crime rates, provide residents with an excellent opportunity to live in a safe, wholesome environment. It is a community that centers its activities around home and family. Darien, it's a nice place to live!

## **Location**

The City of Darien is located 18 miles west of Chicago  
In southern DuPage County

## **Interstates**

Two Interchanges on Interstate I-55 are located in Darien at Cass Avenue and Lemont Road. Within a half-mile of Darien's western border is convenient access to I-355. Driving time to the Chicago Loop on Interstate 55 is approximately 30 minutes.

## **Airports**

Approximately 20 miles northeast of Darien is the Chicago O'Hare Airport, the world's busiest airport. Chicago Midway Airport, Chicago's smaller commercial airport, is located approximately 12 miles east of Darien off of Interstate 55.

## **Commuter Rail**

Metra Chicagoland's commuter rail service, serves commuters from the Darien area to downtown Chicago. Convenient commuter rail stations are located within minutes from all areas of Darien.

## **Bus Service**

PACE commuter bus service connects Darien with many of its suburban neighbors & commuter rail service.

## **Media**

The City of Darien is served by two local newspapers, all of the major Chicago newspapers, television stations, and radio stations. Darien is also served by Comcast and AT&T for cable television service. The City operates a government access cable channel (DCT Channel 6) from City Hall to keep the community informed of any government and local organization news and information. City Council meetings are broadcast live on the city's cable channel and replayed four times per day, on a weekly basis.

## Recreation:

**Carriage Greens Golf Course and Banquet Facility** is located within the City of Darien. Whether you are looking for a round of golf, racquetball, or a place to hold your next party or reception, Carriage Greens serves Darien very well. Darien is also located within easy driving distance of **Seven Bridges Golf Course** in Woodridge. **Cog Hill Golf Complex** is a short distance from Darien and is the site of the annual PGA Western Open. **Stonebridge Golf Community** in Aurora, has hosted several annual Ameritech Seniors Open Tournaments.

## Major Employers

Jewel Foods Store, High School District #86, Public School District #61, Carriage Greens Country Club, Darien Town Center

## Community Programs

**Darien Safety Village**, a community-based organization devoted to child safety, has won the Illinois Governor's Hometown Award twice since 1990 for its child safety programs. Safety Village was created by Darien residents David and Cindie Hagen after their own son lost his life in a car accident while playing. The facility features a child sized town equipped with small buildings, streets and safety signs designed to allow children to get hands-on training and experience learning to be safe. Safety Village has served as a model facility for several communities in building their own safety towns.

## Chamber of Commerce

The Darien Chamber of Commerce promotes the needs of businesses within the Darien Community. Luncheon meetings are held regularly with guest speakers as part of each program. Many local businesses find the opportunity to network an invaluable resource. The Chamber of Commerce also serves as host to the annual DarienFest, a community end of summer celebration that provides a taste of food from local restaurants, rides, games and local business promotions. The purpose of the Darien Chamber of Commerce and Industry is "To foster and promote the civic, commercial, industrial, social and cultural interests of the business and people of the City of Darien and the Darien area".

## Demographics

<i>Date of Incorporation:</i>	December 13, 1969
<i>Jurisdiction:</i>	9.5 square miles
<i>Miles of streets the city maintains:</i>	68
<i>Form of Government:</i>	Council / Aldermanic
	7 Alderman elected from seven wards, Mayor, City Clerk and Treasurer elected at large. Administrator is chief administrative officer
<i>Population 2010:</i>	22,011
<i>Housing units:</i>	8929
<i>Median Family Income:</i>	\$91,880
<i>Median Age:</i>	43
<i>Average home value:</i>	\$265,000.00
<i>Average rental:</i>	\$763.00
<i>Sales Tax Rate:</i>	8.25%
Food & Beverage Tax:	1.25
<i>Water Utility:</i>	City of Darien water system
<i>Sewer Utility:</i>	DuPage County Environmental Concerns

## ***CITY OF DARIEN MEDIA***

The City of Darien has many media publications intended to keep residents informed of current city news and events.

- The City of Darien website, [www.darien.il.us](http://www.darien.il.us), is filled with relevant information about our city.
- Our e-newsletter, Darien Direct Connect, is sent out weekly on Thursdays, and during the week if urgent or emergency information is warranted. You can sign up to receive this email on our website.
- The City of Darien is on Facebook at *City of Darien, Illinois*.
- Twitter – Sign up on our website.

## ***VOTER REGISTRATION***

We encourage every Darien resident to register and vote. You may call the City Clerk's office for details. General voting requirements include American citizenship, and age requirements of 18 years or older by election day, and a residency of 30 days minimum prior to an election day. In order to register, you must bring two forms of identification, one of which must show your current address. Naturalized citizens are asked to bring their court papers when they register. ***Registration closes 30 days prior to any election.***

## ***VEHICLE STICKERS***

The City does not require a vehicle sticker. An Identification Tag, which is offered yearly by community service organizations, is available at the City Hall or the Darien Police Department for a small donation of \$3.00 per sticker.

## ***BUILDING DEPARTMENT INFORMATION***

The City has minimum property maintenance codes for residential and commercial properties. If there is a problem in your neighborhood, please call the Community Development Department at City Hall. The department also has comprehensive building and zoning regulations. Copies of these regulations or information about them can be obtained from the department.

Plan review and permits are required prior to the onset of any construction. Permits are required for fences, decks, sheds and indoor/outdoor remodeling. Please call the Community Development Department for more information at 630-353-8115.



## ***UTILITY CONTACT INFORMATION***

### **Water:**

Please call DuPage County Public Works at **630-985-2905** to have water service placed in your name. Residents of the City of Darien are not all served by the same water system.

### **Sanitary Sewer Service:**

Three sanitary districts service and maintain Darien's sanitary sewer system. Sewer fees are billed jointly (every two months) with water bills by DuPage County. Sewer consumption is based on water use, per 1000 gallons. Details about sanitary sewer service may be obtained by calling DuPage County at **630-985-2905**.

### **Electric Supplier:**

Commonwealth Edison

*Telephone: 1-800-334-7661*

### **Natural Gas Supplier:**

NiCor Gas

*Telephone: 888-642-6748*

### **Cable Providers:**

Comcast – sales & service 1-866-594-1234 (24 hours)

Internet – sales & service 1-888-423-7888

[www.comcast.com](http://www.comcast.com)

AT&T – 1-800-288-2020

[www.Att.com](http://www.Att.com)

### **Garbage Collection:**

LRS – [LRSrecycles.com/Darien](http://LRSrecycles.com/Darien) 844.633.3577

# ***REFUSE / YARD WASTE / RECYCLING COLLECTION***

Effective April 1, 2022 the solid waste management program for the City of Darien is an ***all cart program*** for the disposal of refuse and yard waste/food scraps. For more information visit [LRSrecycles.com/Darien](https://www.lrsrecycles.com/Darien) contact LRS at 844-633-3577

## **Holiday Schedule:**

New Year's Day – Memorial Day – July 4 – Labor Day – Thanksgiving Day – Christmas Day

*Wherever the Holiday falls, pickup will be ONE day later – Fridays will be picked up on Saturday.*

## **Refuse and Recycling:**

LRS offers unlimited collection, TWO CART PROGRAM of waste, recycle and yard waste.

35 gallon = \$20.95

65 gallon = \$20.95

95 gallon = \$20.95

Seniors, 65 and older, may choose the Senior Program option in place of the standard program. The Senior Program – TWO CART PROGRAM – is \$10.00 per month:

35 gallon – **limited waste collection**

35/65/95 gallon – unlimited recycle cart

**Resident may also dispose of ONE bulk item per week for no additional charge.**

LRS bills directly to the homeowner.

Refuse and yard waste may not be combined within one tote/container.

## **Yard Waste:**

Yard Waste season begins April 1<sup>st</sup> and runs through the second full week of December, every year.

Yard waste must be disposed of in either 2-ply kraft paper yard bags or 32 gallon trash container. (Do not use plastic bags). LRS also offers seasonal yard waste subscription service (65 or 95-gallon cart) for \$3.00 per month.

**When using your own containers, an identification label MUST be attached to the front. Labels for Yard Waste are available at Darien City Hall at no charge.**

## ***CITY OF DARIEN – BRANCH PICKUP***

### **Free Branch Pickup:**

The City of Darien is pleased to be able to offer free bimonthly branch pickup spring through fall for all residents. Branches should be stacked neatly by the curb on the Sunday before the pickup week. The chipper can accept branches up to 6” in diameter. Please do not tie the branches or put in garbage cans. All other yard waste such as grass clippings and flowers should be disposed of through our yard waste program with LRS.

All branches need to be out by no later than the Sunday night prior to the designated pick up week. The chipping crew can make only one pass and may complete your street as soon as Monday morning.

Residents who are unable to put their branches out prior to the scheduled week can take them to the Municipal Services Facility, 1041 S. Frontage Road, and place them in the designated branch location. Branches will be accepted Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

*See City of Darien website for current branch pickup schedule.*

# ***RESIDENTIAL ORDINANCES***

## **Refuse at Curb:**

City Code Ordinance 7-1-5B allows refuse for removal may be left at the front parkway of a home where the property borders a street, but not more than 24 hours before a pick-up, and not more than 24 hours following a pick-up.

## **Burning:**

City Code Ordinance 7-1-9A prohibits the burning of garbage, rubbish or natural refuse. (Natural refuse includes, but is not limited to, leaves and other yard wastes anywhere within the City.) However, logs, non-treated wood, or wood products may be burned in either an indoor or outdoor fireplace (a structure which partially encloses a fire to contain its size).

## **Dog/Cat Regulations:**

Dogs are not allowed to run at large and must be kept upon the owner's property. Dogs under the physical control of any responsible person may be off the owner's property while under such control. There are no more than three (3) adult dogs and/or cats to be kept by a single owner in the City. Rabies tags are issued through your veterinarian at the time of vaccination and are required in Darien. Pet owners are responsible for removing defecation per City Code Ordinance 8-3-2C.

## **Garage Sales**

Garage Sale permits are required and may be obtained from City Hall. City Code 3-6-3 restricts permits to no more than three (3) permits per calendar year, per residence and may only be held on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

## **Non-Functional Vehicles**

City Ordinances prohibit the storage of non-functioning vehicles upon private property as well as dismantled motor vehicles. By contacting the Police Department, they will assist you in obtaining towing services to help you avoid being cited for violation.

## **Curfew**

City Code 8-12-1: Curfew Hours:

It is unlawful for a person less than seventeen (17) years of age to be present at or upon any public assembly building, place, street or highway at the following times:

Between one minute past twelve o'clock (12:01) A.M. and six o'clock (6:00) A.M. Saturday and Sunday;

Between eleven o'clock (11:00) P.M. and six o'clock (6:00) A.M on Sunday to Thursday

(Ord. 0-17-04, 5-17-2004)

# ***RESIDENTIAL ORDINANCES***

## **Street Parking Regulations, Including Over Night Parking:**

City Code Ordinance 9-3-1G prohibits parking on public streets or rights-of-way within the City during a snow emergency. A "snow emergency" shall be declared when the snowfall exceeds one inch (1") during a twenty four (24) hour period. Such emergency shall continue to exist until the snow plowing operation has been completed and the snowfall has ceased.

It is unlawful to park any vehicle on public streets or rights-of-way in the City between the hours of 2:00 A.M. and 6:00 A.M. of any day, with the following exceptions:

1. Overnight guest and no room in driveway.
2. Driveway under repair.
3. Vehicle broke down.

The Darien Police Department **must** be contacted at 630-971-3999 to obtain permission to park on City streets overnight. You can also request overnight parking on the City of Darien website.

## **Off-Street Vehicle Parking, Including Recreational Vehicles:**

The following summarizes the Darien City Code regarding parking on residential properties, including parking in front yards and parking/storing recreational vehicles on residential lots:

- All driveways must have a hard surface. However, existing gravel or stone driveways can remain until the house is torn down and a new house is constructed.
- Constructing and/or replacing a driveway requires a permit. The location, width and number of driveways is regulated by the Darien City Code.
- All vehicles, including recreational vehicles, must be parked on a hard surface. Parking vehicles on a grassy surface is not permitted, whether in the front, side or rear yards.
- All recreational vehicles must be parked/stored within an interior or rear yard only, if parked/stored outside an enclosed building.
- Only one recreational vehicle may be parked outside an enclosed building. For example, one camper, one travel trailer, one boat on a trailer or one trailer with up to two personal recreation vehicles on a trailer, such as snow mobiles, jet skis and ATVs.
- Recreational vehicles cannot exceed 35 feet in length and 8 feet in width, except boats cannot exceed 25 feet in length and 10 feet in height, exclusive of antennas, masts or other accessories.
- Recreational vehicles may be parked temporarily on any portion of a driveway for loading, unloading and cleaning purposes and for temporary occupancy of guests.
- Recreational vehicles may be occupied by guests no more than 14 consecutive days. This can occur two times within a calendar year.

The City Code can be found online, by going to the Quick Links on the City's web page, [www.darien.il.us](http://www.darien.il.us).

## ***SENIOR CITIZEN SERVICES***

There are many services and programs available to Darien Senior Citizens. The following are some services available thru the City of Darien, Downers Grove Township, DuPage County and the State of Illinois.

### **Darien Police Department Elderly Services**

Darien Police Department has Elder Services Officers specially trained to assist Darien senior citizens. For questions regarding Darien Police Department Elderly Services, contact Sgt. Nick Skweres at [nskweres@darienil.gov](mailto:nskweres@darienil.gov) or call 630-353-8337.

### **Dial-A-Ride**

Dial-A-Ride is a curb-to-curb paratransit service for senior citizens and disabled persons provided by the Township of Downers Grove through a contract with PACE.

Registration is necessary before starting to use the service. Rides can be scheduled to any location within the Township, Monday through Friday 8:00am to 4:00pm. The fare is \$3.00. To get more information call 630-719-6670 (Press 1).

### **DuPage County Ride DuPage**

Ride DuPage provides subsidized taxi and lift equipped bus transportation for income eligible DuPage County residents. Primarily used for visits to medical facilities and government offices within the county limits. To register, call 630-407-6500 or 1-800-942-9412.

### **File of Life**

An emergency medical card listing vital information. All Township Fire and Law Enforcement personnel are trained to look for the File of Life on the refrigerator door. Card can be purchased for \$1.00 at Downers Grove Township office located at 4340 Prince Street in Downers Grove.

### **Guardian Program**

Sheriff Mendrick encourages every senior citizen in DuPage County to register with the Guardian System, a free service designed to ensure the well-being of seniors as well as the physically and mentally disabled in the county.

Guardian is a computerized phone system that calls registered members on prearranged days and times to verify that they are okay. If the member does not respond to the telephone call by entering a four digit code on their telephone, an alarm sounds and a police dispatcher will attempt to reach the member via telephone.

If still unsuccessful, a previously designated neighbor or family member will be contacted. If the emergency contact cannot be reached, a deputy will be sent to the member's home to make sure everything is okay.



# ***SENIOR CITIZEN SERVICES***

## **Guardian Program (cont.)**

Guardian is available to DuPage County residents who are over the age of 62 or physically or mentally disabled and live alone. To register for the Guardian Program you may call the sheriff's office at 630-407-2400 to have an application mailed to you. Applications may also be picked up at the DuPage County Sheriff's Office, 501 N. County Farm Road, Wheaton, or at any township office.

## **Home Maintenance**

DuPage Senior Citizen Council Home Maintenance Program is available for senior citizens in DuPage County. This program provides affordable repair services so seniors can maintain the safety and value of their homes. For more information call: 630-620-0804 (Press 0).

## **Meals on Wheels**

DuPage Senior Citizen Council Meals on Wheels at 630-620-0804 (Press 1) for home delivered hot/cold meals for seniors in need.

## **Real Estate Tax Relief**

Darien senior citizens should contact the Downers Grove Township Tax Assessor's Office to see if they qualify for any real estate tax relief through several programs.

Minimally, these programs require that you be 65 years of age, meet income guidelines, own and occupy your home, and are liable for the payment of your real estate taxes. Call the Downers Grove Township Tax Assessor's Office to see if you qualify and for an application 630-719-6630.

## **Subsidized Housing**

There are federally funded programs that help people with low incomes to afford safe and decent rental housing. Call 630-690-3555 to see if you are eligible for a rent subsidy.

## **State of Illinois Benefit Access Program (formerly Circuit Breaker)**

Call the Illinois Department on Aging (IDOA) at 800-252-8966 or 1-888-206-1377 (TTY). Have your Social Security Number ready when you call.

# ***LIBRARY & PARK DISTRICT***

## **INDIAN PRAIRIE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

The Indian Prairie Library District serves the greater Darien area. The library contains numerous volumes of books, literature and reference materials. There are many programs and services for children and adults of all ages.

401 Plainfield Road

Darien, IL 60561

Telephone: 630-887-8760

FAX: 630-887-1018

TDD: 630-887-1421

Hours: Mon – Thurs. 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Friday 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Saturday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

The library will register voters during office hours. Two forms of identification, one with current address are required.

## **DARIEN PARK DISTRICT**

The Darien Park District offers programs year-round. With 130 acres of parks, 15 recreational facilities within Darien, leagues, classes and other types of programs, the District is utilized heavily by the Darien community. The Park District's newest addition, the Darien Sportsplex, is a unique facility developed through a joint partnership between the Park District and the private sector. The facility houses two ice rinks and offers instructional skating lessons. Sportsplex features a large room for parties, receptions, or meetings. The facility also has a pro-shop, field house, workout area and a convenient food court.

Main Office

7301 Fairview Avenue

Darien, IL 60561

Telephone: 630-968-6400

Darien Sportsplex

451 Plainfield Road

Darien, IL 60561

Telephone: 630-789-6666

***POSTAL OFFICE, SOCIAL SECURITY OFFICE***  
***DRIVERS LICENSE FACILITY***

**Westmont Post Office** (Serves Darien & Westmont)

5705 Cass Avenue  
Westmont, IL 60559  
Telephone: 968-0855

**Willowbrook Post Office** (Annex – *not full service*)

7140 Monroe Street  
Willowbrook, IL 60527-9998  
Telephone: 630-323-3950

**Downers Grove Post Office** (Serves Downers Grove)

920 E. Curtiss  
Downers Grove, IL 60515  
Telephone: 969-2001  
Passports:      Mon – Fri      10:00AM – 3:00 PM

**Social Security Office**

7740 Providence Road  
Woodridge, IL 60517  
Telephone: 1-800-772-1213    Hours – Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 4:00pm

**Drivers License Facility**

Secretary of State  
1027 - 75th Street  
Naperville, IL 60540  
Telephone: 369-9010

Hobson Plaza  
8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. (W-F)  
Tues. 9:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.  
Sat. 8:00 A.M. - Noon  
Closed Monday & Sunday

Secretary of State  
837 S. Westmore  
Lombard, IL 60148  
Telephone: 629-0380

Eastgate Shopping Center  
8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. (W-F)  
Tues. 9:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.  
Sat 8:00 AM - Noon  
Closed Monday & Sunday

## ***COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS***

### **DARIEN ARTS COUNCIL**

8201 Park Crest Drive  
Darien, IL 60561  
Nancy Urban 630-546-8591  
Email: [darienartscouncil@gmail.com](mailto:darienartscouncil@gmail.com)  
[www.facebook.com/darienartscouncil](http://www.facebook.com/darienartscouncil)

### **DARIEN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

1702 Plainfield Road  
Darien, IL 60561  
630-968-0004  
[www.darienchamber.com](http://www.darienchamber.com)

### **DARIEN GARDEN CLUB**

1702 Plainfield Road (mailbox only)  
Darien, IL 60561  
630-697-9373  
E-mail: [dariengardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:dariengardenclub@gmail.com)  
[www.dariengardenclub.com](http://www.dariengardenclub.com)

### **DARIEN HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

7422 Cass Avenue  
Darien, IL 60561  
Nancy Kunevich 630-964-7033  
[www.darienilhistory.org](http://www.darienilhistory.org)  
[www.facebook.com/dhsil](http://www.facebook.com/dhsil)

### **DARIEN LIONS CLUB**

1702 Plainfield Road (mailbox only)  
Darien, IL 60561  
630-926-0400  
[www.darienlions.org](http://www.darienlions.org)

### **DARIEN SWIM & RECREATION CLUB**

1001 Hinsbrook Avenue  
Darien, IL 60561  
630-964-8656  
[info@darienswim.com](mailto:info@darienswim.com)

### **DARIEN WOMAN'S CLUB**

1702 Plainfield Road (mailbox only)  
Darien, IL 60561  
[www.darienwomansclub.org](http://www.darienwomansclub.org)

### **DARIEN VFW - POST 2838**

801 Plainfield Road Suite 12  
Darien, IL 60561  
Martin Schaefer (Commander)  
Brian Bischoff (Quartermaster)  
630-410-9638  
[info@vfw2838.org](mailto:info@vfw2838.org)

### **DARIEN YOUTH CLUB**

1702 Plainfield Road (mailbox only)  
Darien, IL 60561  
630-205-0202  
[www.darienyouthclub.org](http://www.darienyouthclub.org)

### **FILIPINO-AMERICAN ASSOC. OF SOUTH DU PAGE**

7813 Mayfair Lane  
Darien, Illinois 60561  
Luis Ferrer 630-244-1173

### **GOOD WORX, INC.**

1906 Sweetbriar Lane  
Darien, IL 60561  
Cynthia McGann 630-272-0915  
[www.goodworxinc.org](http://www.goodworxinc.org)

### **HINSDALE SOUTH BOOSTER CLUB**

C/O Hinsdale South High School  
7401 Clarendon Hills Road  
Darien, IL 60561  
630-468-4000  
[www.hinsdalesouthboosters.org](http://www.hinsdalesouthboosters.org)

### **ROTARY CLUB OF DARIEN**

1702 Plainfield Road (mailbox only)  
Darien, IL 60561  
[www.darienrotaryclub.org](http://www.darienrotaryclub.org)

### **SAFETY VILLAGE OF DARIEN**

7400 Cass Avenue  
Darien, IL 60561  
630-968-0777  
E-mail: [safetyvillage@att.net](mailto:safetyvillage@att.net)  
[www.safetyvillageofdarien.org](http://www.safetyvillageofdarien.org)

## ***HUMAN SERVICES/AGENCIES***

### **FAMILY COUNSELING SERVICE**

Family Counseling Service  
Metropolitan Family Services  
222 E. Willow Avenue  
Wheaton, IL 60187  
Telephone: 630-682-1802  
[www.metrofamily.org](http://www.metrofamily.org)

### **PEOPLE'S RESOURCE CENTER (PRC)** – Serves DuPage County residents

630-682-5402  
[www.peoplesrc.org](http://www.peoplesrc.org)

104 Chestnut Avenue  
Westmont, IL 60559  
Hours: 8:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.

Main Office  
201 S. Naperville Road  
Wheaton, IL 60187  
Hours: 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Services: Food Pantry, Clothes Closet, Social Services, Computer Training & Access, Art Studio  
Job Search Assistance and Adult Learning & Literacy

### **COMMUTER BUS SYSTEM**

PACE - 800- 972-7000 or 847-364-7223  
Chicago – 312-836-7000

### **LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LIHEAP)**

Assistance for Gas and/or Electric Bills  
630-407-6500  
800- 942-9412

# ***FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS***

## **Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District**

Serves Areas West of Cass Avenue

7550 Lyman Avenue

Darien, IL 60561

(630) 910-2200

Fax: (630) 910-2083

**EMERGENCY: 911 or (630) 968-2181**

The rating for the area of Darien served by the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District is Class 3.

Same rating for the portion of areas serviced in Westmont, Downers Grove, and Woodridge.

## **Tri-State Fire Protection District**

Serves Areas East of Cass Avenue as well as

West of Route 83 and North of I-55 (Stevenson Expressway)

419 Plainfield Road

Darien, IL 60561

(630) 323-6445

Fax: (630) 654-6450

**EMERGENCY: 911 or (630) 323-2171**

The rating for the area served by Tri-State Fire Protection District is Class 2.

## **Lemont Fire Protection District**

Serving Darien Woods & Waterfall Glen

15900 New Avenue

Lemont, IL 60439

(630) 257-2376

Fax: (630) 257-0845

**EMERGENCY: 911**

The rating for the area served by Lemont Fire Protection is Class 6.



## ***DUPAGE COUNTY OFFICES***

### **DUPAGE COUNTY OFFICE**

General Information  
421 N. County Farm Road  
Wheaton, Illinois 60187  
[www.co.dupage.il.us](http://www.co.dupage.il.us)

### **DUPAGE COUNTY BOARD**

Deborah Conroy Chair  
630-407-6060  
Telephone: 630-407-6060

### **DUPAGE COUNTY STATES ATTORNEY**

503 N. County Farm Road  
Wheaton, Illinois 60187  
630-407-8000

### **DUPAGE COUNTY DISTRICT 3**

Lucy Chang Evans  
Kari Galassi  
Brian Krajewski

### **DUPAGE COUNTY DIVISION OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT)**

630-407-6900

### **DUPAGE COUNTY SHERIFF**

630-682-7256

### **DUPAGE COUNTY WATER & SEWER DEPT.**

Woodridge Plant – 630-985-7400  
Water Billing Info – 630-985-2905

### **COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSION**

630-407-5600

### **COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

Central Office  
111 North County Farm Road  
Wheaton, Illinois 60187  
Telephone: 630-682-7400  
Westmont Location: 630-969-7030

## ***DOWNERS GROVE TOWNSHIP OFFICES***

### **TOWNSHIP TAX ASSESSOR'S OFFICE**

Downers Grove Office (Township Offices: 630-719-6600)  
4340 Prince Street  
Downers Grove, Illinois 60515  
Telephone: 630-719-6630

For information about property taxes please call 630-719-6630

# ***FEDERAL ELECTED OFFICIALS***

## **GOVERNOR JB PRITZKER (D)**

Office of the Governor  
207 State House  
Springfield, Illinois 62706  
217-782-6830 or 217-782-6831

**Local Office:** Office of the Governor  
555 W. Monroe  
Chicago, Illinois 60661  
312-814-2121 or 312-814-2122

## **SECRETARY OF STATE**

Alexi Giannoulas (D)  
213 State Capitol  
Springfield, Illinois 62756  
800-252-8980 (IL) or 217-785-3000 (outside IL)

## **ATTORNEY GENERAL**

Kwame Raoul (D)  
100 W. Randolph Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60601  
312-814-3000

## **CONGRESS**

There are three districts within Darien, depending on where you live.  
You can find out which by visiting [www.dupageco.org/VoterLookup](http://www.dupageco.org/VoterLookup)

6th Congressional District (represents all of D.G. Township)  
**Sean Castens (D)**

**Local Office:** 800 Roosevelt Road  
Building C, Suite 210  
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137  
630-520-9450

**Washington:  
Office** 2440 Rayburn HOB  
Washington, D.C. 20515  
202-225-4561

## **UNITED STATES SENATORS:**

**Local Office:** **Richard J. Durbin (D)**  
230 South Dearborn Street, Suite 3892  
Chicago, Illinois 60604  
312-353-4952

**Washington Address:** 711 Hart Senate Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510  
202-224-2152 E-mail – [dick@durbin.senate.gov](mailto:dick@durbin.senate.gov)

**Local Office:** **Tammy Duckworth (D)**  
230 South Dearborn Street, Room 3900  
Chicago, Illinois 60604  
312-886-3506

**Washington Address:** 524 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510  
202-224-2854

# ***STATE ELECTED OFFICIALS***

## **STATE SENATE 41st LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT:**

District Office:                   **John Curran (R)**  
  1011 State St. Suite 205  
  Lemont, IL 60439  
  630-914-5733

Springfield:                       A-Section Straton Building, Office A  
  Springfield, Illinois 62706  
  217-782-9407

## **STATE REPRESENTATIVE 82nd DISTRICT:**

District Office:                   **Representative Jim Durkin (R)**  
  16W281 83<sup>rd</sup> Street, Suite C  
  Burr Ridge, IL 60527  
  630-325-2028

Springfield:                       316 Capitol Building  
  Springfield, Illinois 62706  
  217-782-0494

# ***DARIEN SCHOOLS***

## **HIGH SCHOOLS**

Hinsdale South High School – District #86  
7401 Clarendon Hills Road  
Darien, Illinois 60561  
Telephone: 630-468-4000

Downers Grove South High School – District #99  
1436 Norfolk Street  
Downers Grove, Illinois 60516  
Telephone: 630-795-8500

Hinsdale Central High School – District #86  
5500 South Grant Street  
Hinsdale, Illinois 60521  
Telephone: 630-570-8000

Lemont High School – District #210  
800 Porter Street  
Lemont, Illinois 60439  
Telephone: 630-257-5838

## **JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS**

Westview Hills Middle School – District #60  
(Grades 6 – 8)  
630 65<sup>th</sup> Street  
Willowbrook, Illinois 60527  
Telephone: 630-515-4830

Cass Junior High School – District #63  
(Grades 6 -8)  
8502 Bailey Road  
Darien, Illinois 60561  
Telephone: 630-985-2000

Eisenhower Junior High School – District #61  
(Grades 6 – 8)  
1410 West 75<sup>th</sup> Street  
Darien, Illinois 60561  
Telephone: 630-964-5200

Lakeview Junior High School – District #66  
(Grades 6 – 8)  
701 Plainfield Road  
Downers Grove, Illinois 60516  
Telephone: 630-985-2700

## **PRIVATE HIGH SCHOOLS**

Benet Academy  
2200 Maple Lane  
Lisle, Illinois 60532  
Telephone: 630-969-6550

Montini Catholic High School  
19W070 16<sup>th</sup> Street  
Lombard, Illinois 60148  
Telephone: 630-627-6930

## **PRIVATE JUNIOR/HIGH SCHOOLS**

Marquette Manor Baptist Academy (Pre-K-12)  
333 75<sup>th</sup> Street  
Downers Grove, Illinois 60516  
Telephone: 630-964-5363

# ***DARIEN SCHOOLS***

## **ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**

Maercker School District #60 (3-5)  
5827 S. Cass Avenue  
Westmont, Illinois 60559  
Telephone: 630-515-4820

Lace School District #61 (3-5)  
7414 Cass Avenue  
Darien, Illinois 60561  
Telephone: 630-968-2589

Mark DeLay School District #61 (K-2)  
6801 Wilmette Avenue  
Darien, Illinois 60561  
Telephone: 630-852-0200

Concord Elementary School District #63 (Pre-4)  
1019 Concord Place  
Darien, Illinois 60561  
Telephone: 630-968-3026

Elizabeth Ide School District #66 (K-2)  
2000 Manning Road  
Darien, Illinois 60561  
Telephone: 630-783-5200

Prairieview Elementary School District #66 (3-5)  
699 Plainfield Road  
Downers Grove, Illinois 60516  
Telephone: 630-783-5100

## **PRIVATE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**

Kingswood Academy (Pre-8)  
133 Plainfield Road  
Darien, Illinois 60561  
Telephone: 630-887-1411

Marquette Manor Baptist Academy (Pre-K-12)  
333 75<sup>th</sup> Street  
Downers Grove, Illinois 60516  
Telephone: 630-964-5363

## ***HOUSES OF WORSHIP***

Four Corners Community Church  
8251 Lemont Road  
Darien, Illinois 60561  
Telephone: 630-481-6381  
[www.fccc.church](http://www.fccc.church)

Lord of Life Lutheran Church  
725 - 75th Street  
Darien, Illinois 60561  
Telephone: (630) 323-3161  
[www.lordoflifedarien.com](http://www.lordoflifedarien.com)

Marion Hills Bible Church  
142 Plainfield Road  
Darien, Illinois 60561  
Telephone: (630) 986-0108  
[www.mhbchurch.org](http://www.mhbchurch.org)

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church  
8404 Cass Avenue  
Darien, Illinois 60561  
Telephone: (630) 852-3303  
[www.ourladyofmtcarmel.org](http://www.ourladyofmtcarmel.org)

Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church  
701 Plainfield Road  
Darien, Illinois 60561  
Telephone: (630) 323-4333  
[www.olopdarien.org](http://www.olopdarien.org)

St. John Lutheran Church  
7214 South Cass Avenue  
Darien, Illinois 60561  
Telephone: (630) 969-7987  
[www.sjlcdarien.org](http://www.sjlcdarien.org)



## ***MEDICAL SERVICES (HUMAN AND ANIMAL)***

### **HOSPITALS**

Adventist Hinsdale Hospital  
120 North Oak Street  
Hinsdale, Illinois 60521  
Telephone: 630-856-9000

Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital  
3815 Highland Avenue  
Downers Grove, Illinois 60515  
Telephone: 630-275-5900

Adventist LaGrange Memorial Hospital  
5101 Willow Springs Road  
LaGrange, Illinois 60525  
Telephone: 708-245-9000

Edward Hospital – Main Campus  
801 South Washington Street  
Naperville, Illinois 60540  
Telephone: 630-527-3000

Adventist Bolingbrook Hospital  
500 Remington Boulevard  
Bolingbrook, Illinois 60440  
Telephone: 630-312-5000

Elmhurst Hospital – Main Campus  
155 East Brush Hill Road  
Elmhurst, Illinois 60126  
Telephone: 331-221-1000

### **NATIONAL POISON CONTROL CENTER**

HOTLINE: 800-222-1222

### **EMERGENCY CARE CENTERS**

Concentra Urgent Care – Medical Center  
7421 South Cass Avenue  
Darien, Illinois 60561  
Telephone: 630-286-5300

Darien Immediate Care  
8190 South Cass Avenue  
Darien, Illinois 60561  
Telephone: 630-541-5072

### **ANIMAL HOSPITALS**

Burr Ridge Veterinary Clinic  
8120 South Cass Avenue  
Darien, Illinois 60561  
Telephone: 630-598-0600

Darien Animal Clinic  
404 Plainfield Road  
Darien, Illinois 60561  
Telephone: 630-655-1888

Finan Animal Hospital  
2415 75<sup>th</sup> Street  
Darien, IL 60561  
Telephone: 630-985-2777

