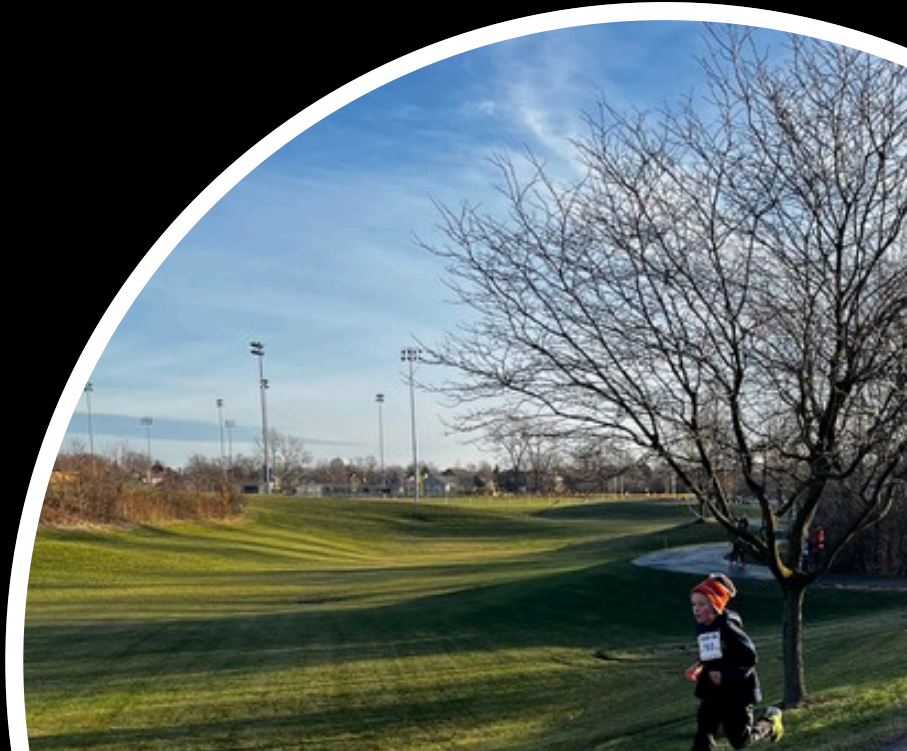




LEMONT PARK DISTRICT
2025
ANNUAL REPORT





MISSION

THE LEMONT PARK DISTRICT'S 2025 ANNUAL REPORT PROVIDES HIGHLIGHTS OF THE DISTRICT'S ACTIVITIES, FINANCES, EVENTS, ACCOMPLISHMENTS, AND COMPLETED PROJECTS. IT ALSO PROVIDES AN OVERVIEW OF THE YEAR AHEAD.

THE FINANCIAL DATA IN THIS REPORT IS SUMMARIZED. AS THE DISTRICT IS CURRENTLY IN THE PROCESS OF THE 2025 FINANCIAL AUDIT, THE MOST RECENT FINANCIAL DOCUMENT, THE 2024 COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT, CAN BE FOUND AT WWW.LEMONTPARKDISTRICT.ORG. RESIDENTS MAY ALSO REQUEST PAPER COPIES OF THIS REPORT AT THE CENTENNIAL COMMUNITY CENTER, 16028 127TH STREET, LEMONT, IL, 60439.

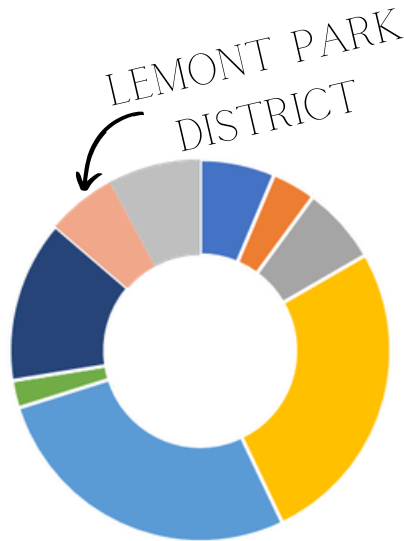
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VISION

THE MISSION OF THE LEMONT PARK DISTRICT IS TO PROVIDE THE VERY BEST PARKS AND RECREATION EXPERIENCES TO THE COMMUNITY WHILE BEING SAFE AND FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE.

The Lemont Park District strives to be collaborative, proactive, and progressive in serving our community.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS



YOUR TAX DOLLARS

The graph on the left shows how your 2024 tax bill (paid in 2025) is allocated amongst the various taxing districts in Lemont. The Park District represents 5.9% of the total tax levy.

Cook County Services	6.4%
Joliet Junior College Dist 525	3.7%
Village of Lemont	6.6%
School District 210	26.2%
School District 113A	27.2%
Lemont Public Library District	2.3%
Lemont Fire Protection Dist	13.8%
Lemont Park District	5.9%
Miscellaneous	7.8%
	100.0%

OPERATING BUDGET

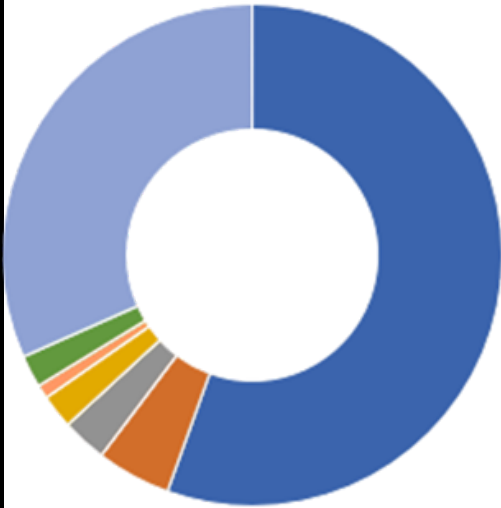
- In 2025, our operating revenue was approximately \$10 million dollars. Approximately 50% is funded by property tax revenue, with the remaining 50% generated from program fees, fundraising, grants, and rentals. Again in 2025, the Lemont Park District tax levy represents 5.9% of your total tax bill.
- Despite delays in receiving the Cook County property tax receipts, the District was able to meet all its obligations due to its strong fiscal management. As of December 31, 2025, 62% of the Cook County tax receipts were received. As of February 27, 2026, the District's outstanding property taxes due was approximately \$290,000.
- Capital expenditures, excluding the District Referendum Plans - Your Future Park District (see Page 5), totaled \$1.8M. Approximately \$1.2M was incurred to complete the final build out of the Athens Park development in downtown Lemont. Additional expenditures include a new truck and equipment for the Maintenance Department, a new pool boiler at the Centennial Pool, various technology equipment including new computers, security equipment, and chemical pool controllers.
- Registration fees which includes CORE fitness activity accounted for 32% of the District's total revenue in 2025.
- The CORE continues to experience growth in membership and fitness program participation. New memberships increased for both the Fitness Center and the COREFIT classes further demonstrating our community's commitment to staying active and healthy.
- More programs resulted in an increase in resident participation. Total enrollments in 2025 were 11,538 vs. 2024 at 10,545.
- Private swim lessons, pickleball, aqua aerobics, and the Dolphins Swim program saw increases in participation.
- Youth educational programming continues to remain strong. Popular early childhood programming included 188 preschool students and 1,524 day camp registrations. These popular programs are supported by trained educators, teachers, instructors, and counselors.
- Gymnastics, athletics, and our teen programs followed suit, as those results experienced a positive trend. Participation continues to grow with teen trips, which provide opportunities to gather with friends at fun spots in a chaperoned, group environment.
- The District is one of the largest employers of teens and young adults in Lemont. Employing over 200 part time and seasonal staff each year, which for some, is a first job. These opportunities provide individuals with training and skills, including critical thinking, problem solving, and other teambuilding experiences to assist with future education and career development endeavors.

Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

The District has received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting award from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) for its CAFR each year since 2005.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

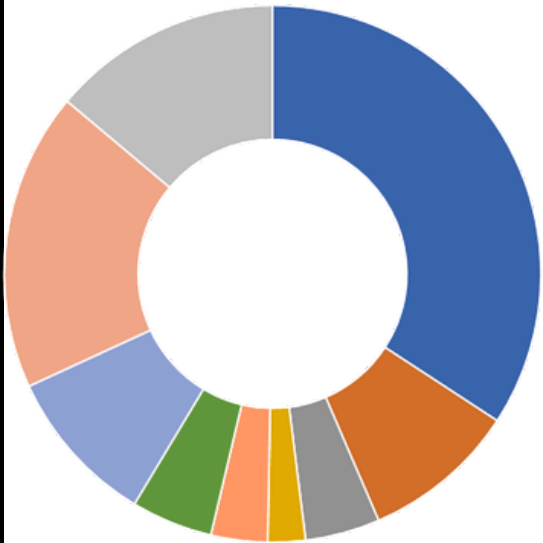
REVENUE ANALYSIS – FISCAL YEAR 2025



- Property Tax Receipts
- Other Taxes
- Interest Income
- Grants & Donations
- Miscellaneous Income
- Rentals
- Program Fees

	2025		2024
	\$	%	%
Property Tax Receipts	\$5,031,824	55.5%	49.7%
Other Taxes	\$434,546	4.8%	6.8%
Interest Income	\$263,410	2.9%	4.9%
Grants & Donations	\$197,916	2.2%	8.2%
Miscellaneous Income	\$81,748	0.9%	3.0%
Rentals	\$188,378	2.1%	1.8%
Program Fees	\$2,867,393	31.6%	25.8%
TOTAL	\$9,065,215	100.0%	100.0%

EXPENDITURE ANALYSIS – FISCAL YEAR 2025



- Salaries & Wages
- Employee Benefits
- Administration
- Contractual Services
- Utilities
- Repair & Maintenance
- Recreation
- Capital Outlay
- Debt Service

	2025		2024
	\$	%	%
Salaries & Wages	\$3,433,101	34.2%	22.3%
Employee Benefits	\$935,085	9.3%	6.3%
Administration	\$451,560	4.5%	2.8%
Contractual Services	\$226,397	2.3%	1.6%
Utilities	\$342,413	3.4%	2.2%
Repair & Maintenance	\$492,492	4.9%	3.4%
Recreation	\$955,248	9.5%	6.4%
Capital Outlay	\$1,805,392	18.0%	45.4%
Debt Service	\$1,392,659	13.9%	9.7%
TOTAL	\$10,034,348	100.0%	100.0%

2024 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES TOTALED \$6.1 MILLION

Your Future Park District



In March 2024, the Lemont Park District asked the Lemont taxpayers to consider a bond referendum for \$17.0M for the enhancement of park and recreation facility needs, which included improvements to the Centennial Community Center and the CORE Fitness & Aquatic Complex; the new development of Derby Farm Park; and new pickleball and tennis courts at the Centennial Campus. Thanks to our residents, who voted "YES" at the polls. As per the 2024 campaign, District officials would not issue new debt, until the existing debt was fully paid and that the debt service taxes levied to taxpayers for the proposed new issuance would remain the same.

In October 2025, the District made its final payment on the 2007 Referendum Bond issuance. By taking steps to restructure the debt in 2017, the District shortened the maturity date and avoided \$1.8M of interest expense. In March 2025, the District received a credit rating upgrade to AA1 from Moody's and issued a portion of the bonds to pay for construction fees and design for the new projects. A second issuance will take place sometime in early 2026. Construction for the new enhancements is scheduled to begin taking place in Spring/Summer of 2026 with completion of all projects by 2028. Updates will continue to be posted to the District website.

Your Future Park District Referendum Projects



EXPERIENCE THE FUN!



FUN FOR ALL!



OVER 25,000
PARTICIPANTS
ATTENDED
LEMONT
PARK DISTRICT
SPECIAL EVENTS
IN 2025!

NEARLY 12,000
PROGRAM
ENROLLMENTS
IN 2025!



CROWD PLEASING EVENTS

**THE LEMONT PARK DISTRICT STAFF PROVIDED FUN
AND MEMORABLE SPECIAL EVENTS IN 2025!**

- Summer Reads
- Sunset Soiree Concerts
- All-American Swim
- Kite Fly
- Drive-In Movie
- Home Decorating Contest
- Harvest Fest
- July 3rd Celebration
- Indoor Triathlon
- Bunny Hop Trail
- Community Garage Sales
- Touch A Truck
- Quarryman Challenge
- Fun with Your Son Night
- Daughter Date Night
- Pack the Pantry Food Drives
- Veterans Day Luncheon
- Frigid 5K
- Senior Holiday Luncheon
- Santa's Merry & Bright PJ Night
- Noon Year's Eve
- Movies in the Park
- Costume Swap



SOCIAL MEDIA & DIGITAL COMMUNICATION

COMPARING PLATFORMS AT A GLANCE



Subscribers

2025	12,610
2024	11,267



Subscribers

2025	3,568
2024	2,768



Views

2025	18.2k
2024	5.9k



Subscribers

2025	13,355
2024	14,289



Subscribers

2025	1,844
2024	2,330



Visits

2025	228,458
2024	204,082

SUSTAINABILITY

NATIVE PLANTINGS

Pollinator gardens are planted with native flowers and plants that provide food and habitat for bees, butterflies, hummingbirds, and other beneficial insects. They help support biodiversity, strengthen local ecosystems, and play a critical role in pollinating many plants and food crops. Plantings and gardens can be found across the District, located at Centennial Campus, Northview Park, Bambrick Park and Athens Park.



PERMEABLE BRICKS

This eco-friendly storm water run off system, located in the parking lot of Athens Park, filters pollutants from regenerating on it's surface improving drainage, reducing erosion, and increasing environmental sustainability.



SOLAR PANELS

The Lemont Park District solar picnic tables offer sustainable, off-grid power for outdoor spaces, featuring built-in solar panels that provide device charging and LED lighting. Two new tables were installed at Athens Park. In addition, solar panels were installed at Field 32 to provide lighting in the dugouts.



shining moments 2025



At the Best of Lemont Awards hosted by the Lemont Township in November, Kyle Murray, Lemont Park District's Director of Maintenance & Planning, was presented an award by Director Louise Egofske, for his above and beyond work performance, contagious positive attitude, and his leadership. With over 20 years of dedicated service as a member of the Parks team, Kyle consistently demonstrates a deep commitment to the stewardship of our public spaces and facilities to ensure our District's parks and buildings remain well maintained, safe, and inviting for all residents to enjoy. As the Director of Maintenance, he is a proud leader of his team, an advocate for green spaces, who loves Lemont.



The District's Wellness Committee implemented activities for staff to encourage health and wellness in the workspace. This included hosting healthy lunches, park clean ups, fitness challenges, and more.

By implementing this wellness program, the District was able to apply for and receive a grant through the Park District Risk Management Agency (PDRMA). This grant was for \$1,000 to use for another year of staff health programs. As grant recipients in 2024, we are proud to receive it two years in a row.

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP SUNSET SOIREE

2014



NOW



Since 2014, the Lemont Park District has hosted thousands of Lemont residents and visitors for the beloved Sunset Soiree Concert Series. What started as a small, concert on the grass outside of the CORE in 2012, morphed into a large community event, and a summertime favorite.

Thanks to our partners, vendors, and sponsors who have supported this event throughout these past 12 years, including the Village of Lemont, Lemont Emergency Management Agency, Lemont Police Department, Lemont Fire Protection District, and Village of Lemont Public Works.

This event is a true testimony to the strong and collaborative partnerships we have as agencies to work each day. Check out the 2026 lineup will be released this Spring!

PARK PROJECTS

FIELD 32

The Park District's Field 32 is complete and open for the community to enjoy. The official Grand Opening was on April 12, 2025, we enjoyed a fantastic day of baseball, celebrations & community. Field 32 features a turf field, batting cage, and enclosed dugouts. This field is sure to be a home run for years to come.



GLENEAGLES PARK

Gleneagles Park, located in the Gleneagles neighborhood on Maddox Drive, officially opened in June 2025. Complete with a playground, basketball & pickleball courts, and a putt-putt area. This park pays tribute to the former Gleneagles Golf Course and encourages new memories to be experienced on this transformed space.



ATHENS PARK

Athens Park, located at the north end of Stephen Street in downtown Lemont, is the newest addition to our park family. Featuring a playground, dog park, an outdoor entertainment space, parking, path system, pavilions, naturalized wetlands, and pollinator garden; there is something for everyone. Be on the lookout for ongoing improvements to this space.





BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Left to Right: Leland "Lucky" Wagner (Treasurer), Steve Richmond, Julie Mescher, Louise Egofske (Secretary & Executive Director), Michael Scarlati (Vice President), Bill McAdam (President)

THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY OF LEMONT!

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