

Zion Township Updates – 5/15/2018

UPDATES ON OFFICE OPERATIONS

- Monthly Report Attached
- LIHEAP will be ending on May 29th. Walk-ins will be seen each Tuesday from 1-3pm until then.
- Zinnias for Zion is in full bloom. 1500 packets are being put together with information on events this summer along with free seeds donated by Joyful Butterfly, Applewood Seed Co and Ball Horticultural Company. Cooke Magnet School in Waukegan is growing flats for us; the website is up and running: www.ZinniasforZion.com.
- Senior Resource Day was a huge success. Thanks to our partners, the Zion Park District, Benton Township, The Grove at the Lake and Oak Street Health.
- Nextdoor.com is staged to be a comprehensive communication tool for our community. Sign up TODAY!
- LC Supervisor's Meeting will be at Zion Township on Wednesday, May 16th from noon til 1:30pm.
- Summer Work Program is set to launch 6/18/18!
- Zion Township will begin processing Passports on Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning June 1, 2018. We also have Notary, faxing and voter registrar services available.
- Please promote Zion Together: Love Thy Neighbor competition. More information can be found at www.ZionTogether.com.
- Thank you to the Zion-Benton Township High School's Swarm It Forward and the ELL students for mulching Zion Township's landscape.

“Empowering the Zion Community through Leadership, Advocacy and Resources.”

BOARD SPECIFIC ISSUES

- Zion Township Poverty Awareness Day: 6/26/18 – the Summer Work Program Interns will be volunteering at Abiding Love Food Pantry and visiting Feed My Starving Children.
- Zion Township will be closed for the holiday on, May 28th.
- The 2017 Annual Report is available.
- 2018-19 Budget to be passed at May meeting.
- Appreciate Trustee Fischer's suggestion to code all clients and staff so that names don't have to be redacted. That has been completed.
- Still to be addressed:
 - Determining best approach for security cameras
 - Computer security audit.
 - Employee Manual will be presented at June Meeting for recommended changes per HR consultant Rex Jones.

COMMUNITY – KEY RESOURCES

- ❖ **Abiding Love Food Pantry**
Each Wednesday from 10am til 1pm at Christian Assembly of God Church, 2929 Bethel Blvd, Zion (Closed 5th Wednesdays)
- ❖ **Zion Park District: Senior Food Pantry**
Tuesday's from 1 – 2 pm Shiloh Center, 2600 Emmaus Ave., Zion for ALL seniors
- ❖ **Mano a Mano**
Immigration legal services (citizenship, DACA, green cards renewals, TPS), Health Case Management (assistance with Medicaid, All Kids, SNAP, child support, and temporary driver's licenses). Monday – Thursday 9am – 5pm by appointment only for the Zion office 847-201-1521
- ❖ **PADS Lake County**
Night shelters are now open. Call 847-689-4357, extension #2 for additional information. A listing of the shelter site locations is available at www.padslakecounty.org.