

Zion Township

Updates – 7/17/18

UPDATES ON OFFICE OPERATIONS

- Monthly Report Attached
- Zinnias for Zion Yard and Photo contest submissions the month of August. Details at www.ZinniasforZion.com!
- Nextdoor.com is staged to be a comprehensive communication tool for our community. Sign up TODAY!
- Summer Work Program is going well.
 - The grant for the American Library Association's reading program with Deb Will is going well. They will be having a Racial Healing circle July 16th - 10:30-12pm and 1:00pm-2:30pm. Board members are welcome to attend.
 - Poverty Awareness Day included a behind the scenes tour of Abiding Love Food Pantry and volunteering at Feed My Starving Children, as well as lunch at Gorton Community Center, Lake Forest with Sedrik Newbern inspiring the youth with it's Your Choice. They also saw a clip of a documentary film called Yo Yes Yo, with an invite from Gorton to return in November for the foreign film series. Additionally, Ayesha Quraishi shared her story from Lake Forest College.
 - Calvin King III is assisting in creating a promotional video on the Summer Work Program.
 - The graduation celebration will be held on Friday, July 27th at 5pm. All board members are encouraged to attend.
- Zion Township is processing Passports on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call for an appointment. We also have Notary, faxing and voter registrar services available.
- Love Thy Neighbor, Dialogue on race series: 7/25, 8/8 & 8/22 from 6-9pm at Grace Missionary Church, 1415 27th St.
- Please promote Zion Together: Love Thy Neighbor competition. More information can be found at www.ZionTogether.com. Thanks to Wintrust Community Bank for their \$250 donation to the program, as well as \$250 for the Love Thy Neighbor Conversations on Race!
- The Lake County Health Department's Zion Health Center is open!
- Community of Character Walk – September 13, 2018.

***Mission:** At Zion Township, we empower residents through leadership, advocating, and connection to resources, services and solutions.*

***Vision:** We work to maximize potential to help create amazing.*

BOARD SPECIFIC ISSUES

- Approve Budget Appropriation
- 2-1-1 United Way request - Discuss in August
- Supervisor Neal and Zion Park District Ed Marilyn Krieger met with PACE to see about leasing a bus. Decided it is much too cumbersome.
- Updates to Employee Manual on Sexual Harassment Policy and Mission, Vision and Values.
- Zion Township Open House and Ice Cream Social on Tuesday, July 24th from 3-7pm!
- Still to be addressed: Determining best approach for security cameras and Computer security audit.
- Zion Township closed Thursday, August 9 and Friday, August 10 for training.

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.