VILLAGE OF WESTERN SPRINGS

Community Profile



Demographics

Population: 13,391

Avg. Household Income: \$141,607

Median Housing Value: \$507,300

Educational Attainment: 77.8 % Bachelor's

degree or higher

Median Age: 43.2

Local Metra Commuters: Over 1,200 daily

boardings

Annual Local Spending

Retail Expenditure: \$157,230,273

Full Service Dining: \$8,617,500

Limited Service Dining: \$8,575,763

Annual Spending within 5 minutes

Retail Expenditure: \$610,488,723

Full Service Dining: \$30,620,003

Limited Service Dining: \$30,472,482*

* A Downtown Market Analysis indicated that this level of spending supports at least

17 area restaurants.

Wolf Road ADT: 15,100

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Incorporated in 1886, the Village received its name from the water of its clear, cool springs which have since withered away. Since then Western Springs has evolved into a quiet, affluent Village with beautiful homes on various sized, meticulously maintained lots. Excellent commuter rail service and immediate access to the expressway system has established the Village as a quality bedroom community with a high average family income and a commitment to family values.

The Village housing stock ranges in value from \$500,000 to over \$2,000,000. The Village's population is mostly professionals including lawyers, doctors, engineers, and other management personnel living throughout the community.

The Village's Downtown area thrives with a mix of retail, restaurants, service and institutional uses. Downtown is the core of the community and serves as a formal and informal gathering place. Other shopping areas, such as Garden Market Center located at 47th St. and Gilbert, also serve the Village and surrounding communities.

The business climate is complimented by excellent schools, parks, civic organizations, and a nationally recognized Theater of Western Springs.

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HOUSING

The Village housing stock consists of a mix of high quality single family detached multi-family units ranging in value from \$500,000 to over \$2,000,000. Since the early 1990's residential fill-in construction, rehabilitation, housing additions and demolitions have occurred on a consistent basis so that housing stock is being greatly improved or completely turning over.

SCHOOLS

Public Elementary ~ <u>District 101</u> serves three (3) elementary: Field Park, Forest Hills and Laidlaw Schools and one (1) junior high, McClure School. These schools are within the Village and serve Village residents along with some residents of Hinsdale. <u>District 106</u>, LaGrange Highlands, is a combined elementary and junior high campus, LaGrange Highlands School, lies immediately adjacent to the community and serves about one quarter (1/4) of the Village residents.

Public High School ~ <u>District 204</u>, Lyons Township High School District, has two campuses. South High School is located in the Village and serves the freshman and sophomore classes. North High School serves the juniors and seniors and is located in nearby LaGrange.

Private ~ <u>St. John of the Cross Roman Catholic</u> elementary school is the only private school located within the community. It serves students from the Village and surrounding communities.

CHURCHES

Nine churches of various denominations serve the community. Visit www.westernsprings.com for a full listing.

TRANSPORTATION

The <u>Burlington Northern Line of Metra</u> provides 25 minute express and 36 minute local service to Chicago's Loop. The Tri-State Tollway cloverleaf at the suburb's northwest corner provides access to the toll road and expressway system.

MEDICAL

LaGrange Memorial Hospital and Hinsdale Hospital are in the adjacent communities of LaGrange and Hinsdale, respectively.

SHOPPING

Plaza shopping facilities are available at the Garden Market, and a picturesque downtown shopping district continues to grow with ample unmetered parking available. Oak Brook Center, Yorktown and Orland Square malls are easily accessible.

RECREATION

The Recreation Department offers a full range of activities through its two recreation centers and numerous programs in the parks. Programs range from summer camps, tennis instruction, sports, after school activities, basketball classes, early childhood and toddler groups, dance, music, day care, science, adult fitness and leagues. The Park District, an individual taxing entity independent of the Recreation Department, maintains over 80 acres of parks and provides 10 neighborhood parks, 1 community park, 17 tennis courts, and several soccer and ball fields. Little League offers baseball programs and the American Youth Soccer Association (AYSO) organizes soccer. The Theatre of Western Springs is an area highlight having received critical acclaim time and again. A community pool is available on a membership-fee basis. The Bemis Woods Forest Preserve is north of the Village along Salt Creek, offering picnic areas, bike trails, toboggan runs, cross country skiing, and nature studies. Nearly a dozen golf and country clubs are within 5 miles of the community. Other recreational activities are offered by 24 civic, fraternal and neighborhood clubs.