



ELK GROVE Villager

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ELK GROVE BUSINESSES STEP UP TO SUPPORT BAHAMIAN YOUTH HOME IN ADVANCE OF MAKERS WANTED BAHAMAS BOWL



Seven Elk Grove Village-based companies have donated nearly \$50,000 in much-needed supplies to a youth home in the Bahamas as part of a Makers Wanted Bahamas Bowl Charitable Initiative coordinated by Elk Grove Village.

Ranfurly Homes for Children, an organization in Nassau, Bahamas, provides a home for children who are displaced as a result of family problems, who have been abandoned, who are orphaned or whose primary care givers are deceased.

Elk Grove Village officials reached out to local businesses and asked for their generosity in donating materials. The businesses responded in kind, providing nearly \$50,000 worth of building materials and supplies, including tile, doors, appliances, and other items.

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MAKERS WANTED BAHAMAS BOWL VALUE RECOGNIZED BY LOCAL COMMUNITY

In 2019, Elk Grove Village sponsored the Makers Wanted Bahamas Bowl for a second time. This sponsorship is a unique marketing strategy to bring national and international recognition to our Business Park, which has received an incredible response in the media. In addition to the national exposure, we've also heard from neighboring communities who are impressed by the response we've gotten with this sponsorship. Below is an excerpt from the Village of Itasca's winter newsletter:

“As our world becomes increasingly interconnected, cities and towns face increasing competition for businesses, residents and visitors. It's not surprising then, that communities across the globe have begun taking a page from the private sector to better define their brand identities. In fact, our neighbor to the north made a big splash in 2018 when it announced it would sponsor the Bahamas Bowl to promote its “Makers Wanted” brand.”

While the true validation of our marketing efforts is the continued success of our Business Park, we were honored to see that other local communities have recognized the value of our innovative strategy.

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

2019 has been an incredibly successful year for the Village and in reflecting on the successes over the past year we want to express our gratitude for all the community members who give their time to be involved, whether on a committee or commission, helping out at an event, or assisting others in the community. We hope 2019 has been a great year for our residents and we encourage you to take a look at a few of the highlights from the Village in the past year on pages 4-5.

We concluded 2019 with the Village's sponsorship of the Makers Wanted Bahamas Bowl in Nassau, Bahamas. Thank you to those who joined us for the Viewing Party to share in the excitement of the bowl game. Marketing and branding efforts are an important part of how the Village distinguishes itself from other communities to attract new businesses and redevelopment in order to keep our community modern and strong.

Makers Wanted serves as a call-to-action for the Village's thriving community and the thousands of businesses that are based here. This sponsorship is a unique marketing strategy to bring national and international recognition to our Business Park, which has received an incredible response in the media. The 2018 sponsorship helped attract Love's Travel Stops & Country Stores to locate in the community.

Looking ahead to 2020, there are many things to be excited for in the Village. In 2020, we look forward to launching our new Village website, welcoming companies into the Elk Grove Technology Park, another exceptional year of special events, and so much more! A glimpse into what to expect in 2020 can be found on pages 6-7.

As we welcome in the new year, one of our first initiatives is the new water meter replacement project, which will bring new technology and enhanced service to our residents and businesses through the water meter replacement project. As the project kicks off in January, residents will receive a Water Replacement Welcome Letter with specific information on what residents can expect throughout the process. The water meter replacement update can be found on page 3. More information about



Pictured in front row from left to right are Trustee Nancy Czarnik, Mayor Craig Johnson, and Trustee Christine Prochno. Pictured in the second row from left to right are Trustee Jeffrey Franke, Trustee Stephen Schmidt, Trustee Samuel Lissner, and Trustee Patton Feichter.

the project can be found online at elkgrove.org/watermeter or (866) 931-2199.

With the new year, we also remind residents about National Census Day on April 1. The Census counts every person living in each state and the results help determine how billions of dollars in federal funding flow into states and communities. Whether you are a new resident in our community, a renter, a service member or a resident of a group facility, it is important to count yourself in the right place. Find helpful information regarding the Census on page 8.

This year the Village will host four Community Blood Drives in partnership with Vitalant. Additional information and blood drive dates can be found on page 8.

Residents are always invited to share thoughts, concerns, or questions by clicking "Contact Us" on the Village website (www.elkgrove.org).

Prefer to share in person? Join us at our quarterly Coffee with the Board at Village Hall (901 Wellington Ave.) on Saturday, February 1 at 9 a.m.



WATER METER REPLACEMENT UPDATE

Be on the lookout in January for the Village’s Water Meter Replacement Welcome Letter that will be mailed to all Village residents.

The Village has contracted with Siemens for this water meter replacement project. Water meters will be replaced between approximately January 2020 and June 2020. The modern meters will replace older, mechanical units with new technology that will help identify high water usage and potential leaks. The new meters will result in smarter water use for customers, and enhanced water conservation opportunities.

Please visit us online for updates during the project and to learn more at elkgrove.org/watermeter or call (866) 931-2199 if you have additional questions. The Village of Elk Grove appreciates your accommodation in bringing new technology and enhanced service to our residents and businesses.

RECREATIONAL CANNABIS LEGAL IN ILLINOIS ON JANUARY 1

Due to the legalization of recreational cannabis by the Illinois State legislature, the Elk Grove Village Police Department would like remind the public of the following limitations:



- Smoking cannabis in public places is prohibited.
- You must be 21 years of age to purchase, possess, or use cannabis.
- Only licensed dispensaries are allowed to sell cannabis products.
- When transporting in a vehicle, the cannabis must be in a sealed and child-resistant container that is inaccessible during transport.
- You can only purchase/possess 500 mg of edible THC, 30 grams of plant material, and 5 grams of cannabis concentrate.
- You will be arrested if you are driving under the influence of cannabis.

Please use responsibly and go to www.elkgrove.org/reccannabis for more information.

CURBSIDE COURTESY- WASTE & RECYCLING GUIDELINES

The Village of Elk Grove contracts with Waste Management to provide weekly waste pickup of garbage and recyclables for residents. The Village would like to remind residents of a few simple guidelines to keep in mind when placing waste outside for pickup.



- Garbage, refuse or recycling containers must be placed out for pick up by 7:00 a.m. on the day of pick up, regardless of the time the area is normally serviced. Containers may not be placed out for pick up on any parkway, street, or public way for the purpose of being emptied, until day prior to pick up.
- All containers shall be removed by 7:00 pm on the scheduled day of pick up.
- Garbage or refuse must be stored and placed out for pick up so that it cannot be blown about or scattered by the wind, or be an attractant to insects, rodents or animals.

Details about special material recycling, bulk item disposal, and other refuse and recycling information can be found on the Village website at elkgrove.org/residents/refuse-recycling.

3rd SAFEST CITY

BY BACKGROUNDCHECKS.ORG. EGV
CRIME RATE OVER TEN TIMES
LOWER THAN CITY OF CHICAGO.

YEAR IN REVIEW ELK GROVE VILLAGE 2019

\$100,000 GRANT

PROVIDED BY EGV TO ELK GROVE
HIGH SCHOOL FOR WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE



Completion of the **James Paul Petri Public Works Facility** at 450 E. Devon Avenue.

The new facility was selected for the “**Public Works Project of the Year**” Award by the American Public Works Association.

Completion of two brand new fire stations at 676 Meacham Road & 700 Fargo Avenue. Fire Station 8 with Training Tower at 700 Fargo Avenue earned national recognition, receiving a **Silver Award** from **Firehouse Magazine’s Station Design Awards**.



Elk Grove Village remains the **most affordable community for residents** and has maintained the **lowest combined property tax rates** in the area for over 20 years. Elk Grove Village is proud to offer **high quality services at affordable prices.**



Makers Wanted Bahamas Bowl sponsorship exposure attracted **Love’s Travel Stops & Country Stores** to build a 7,600 sq. ft. fueling station in Elk Grove Village. This development is projected to produce **millions of dollars in sales tax revenue** for the Village in just a few years.

Elk Grove Fire Department installed **256 FREE Smoke Detectors** in residences where smoke detectors were not present, or out of date as part of the “Be Alarmed” program. The State provided limited quantities of smoke detectors and fire personnel installed them to those in need.



Elk Grove Village Cares recognized as **Governor’s Cup Finalist for Hometown Awards.**

44 people entered into treatment for addiction since the program’s inception. The Village received **\$100,000** in grant funding to support treatment and **\$385,000** to provide regional resources and training to combat opioid-related overdoses.



Elk Grove hosted four **Community Blood Drives** in 2019.

155 units of blood were donated.

Tree City USA Community for **34th consecutive year**

450 parkway trees planted
3,000 parkway trees trimmed





2 NEW BUSSE WOODS BIKE CONNECTIONS

LOOKING FORWARD ELK GROVE VILLAGE 2020

LAUNCH OF NEW VILLAGE WEBSITE



Redevelopment of the former Elk Grove Hotel site will begin in early Spring of 2020. This redevelopment will bring in two nationally recognized hotels, **Country Inn & Suites** and **“Tru by Hilton”** along with a commercial restaurant.



MID-SUMMER CLASSICS CONCERT SERIES

- July 4 
- July 14 
- July 21 
- July 28 

EXCEPTIONAL SPECIAL EVENTS IN 2020!

- Carnival of Exceptional Character
- Community of Character Coalition Youth Celebration
- Memorial Day Ceremony
- Document Destruction & Recycling Event
- Paint & Motor Oil Recycling Event
- Rotary Fest
- Play Picnic & Party
- Bike with Mayor
- Oktoberfest & Hometown Parade
- Tree Lighting Ceremony



Elk Grove Technology Park construction underway in 2020. First tenant is announced to be **Broetje, International Aerospace Leader**, which chose Elk Grove Village as New Hub for US Operations.

ELK GROVE 2025



Smart city push to bring 5G technology to the Elk Grove Village Business & Technology Park.

Next generation technology will provide faster wireless connectivity, additional capacity, and will support emergent technologies, fuel job creation, and drive innovation.



2020 BLOOD DRIVES AT VILLAGE HALL

The Village, in partnership with Vitalant, will be hosting four Community Blood Drives in 2020. The drives will be held at Village Hall (901 Wellington Ave) between 8 a.m. and 12 p.m. on the following Saturdays:

Saturday, 1/11/20 Saturday, 4/11/20 Saturday, 7/11/20 Saturday, 11/14/20

NORTHWEST SUBURBAN QUILTERS GUILD 2019 QUILT SHOW

Mayor Craig Johnson was contacted by Joyce Drenth, the 2019 Quilt Show Co-Chair from the Northwest Suburban Quilters Guild, Inc. to participate in choosing a “Mayor’s Choice” quilt in the 2019 Quilt Show. Mayor Johnson attended the Quilt Show at Elk Grove’s Holiday Inn on Saturday, November 2 to choose the “Mayor’s Choice” quilt. After viewing over 200 quilts of different sizes and categories, Mayor Johnson chose the quilt titled “Hallelujah” by Joyce Drenth.

The winner of the Mayor’s Choice quilt, Joyce Drenth visited the Mayor at Village Hall with her award winning quilt.



CENSUS 2020

Count yourself in the right place.

In general, you should count yourself **where you live and sleep most of the time**. But pay special attention if you are:



Completing Your Household’s Form

When responding, count any children, including newborns, who usually live and sleep at your home—even if they’re not your own. If they split time evenly between two households, count them where they are on April 1, 2020.”



A Recent Mover

Count yourself at your new address if you moved in by April 1, 2020.



A Renter

Count yourself where you live. Even though you don’t own the home, you need to participate. Don’t forget your family and roommates.



A College Student

If you don’t live in a dorm, count yourself at your off-campus address—even if you go to your parents’ home for school breaks. This includes international students.



A Service Member

If you don’t live in military barracks—and you aren’t deployed or stationed outside the United States—count yourself where you live and sleep most of the time, whether on or off base.



A Resident of a Group Facility

For people in the following living situations on April 1, 2020, Census Bureau employees will work with a representative from your building to ensure you are counted. They may or may not ask you to complete an individual census form.

- > College dorms
- > Military barracks
- > Nursing homes
- > Group homes
- > Shelters
- > Psychiatric facilities
- > Correctional facilities

For more details, visit **2020CENSUS.GOV**.





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ELK GROVE BusinessMatters



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Showcase Your Business with a Visit from the Village

2019 Year in Review

Vouchers Empower Illinois Manufacturers to Invest in R&D, Technology, and Innovation

Meet your Elk Grove Economic Development Team!

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SHOWCASE YOUR BUSINESS WITH A VISIT FROM THE VILLAGE

Elk Grove Village Trustees and staff are continuing Business Ambassador Visits in 2020.

We make it easy to connect with Village leadership by coming to your location for an introduction and tour. Pick a time that works for you and together we will discover new ways to support your business and help your team thrive!

To schedule your visit, contact the Village's Director of Business Development and Marketing Josh Grodzin at 847-357-4005 or by email at jgrodzin@elkgrove.org.

Beyond BUSINESS FRIENDLY ELK GROVE VILLAGE, IL BUSINESS LEADERS FORUM



Business Ambassador visit at Graphic Innovators



Business Ambassador visit at Ark Glass of Chicago



Business Ambassador visit at EGM Automotive



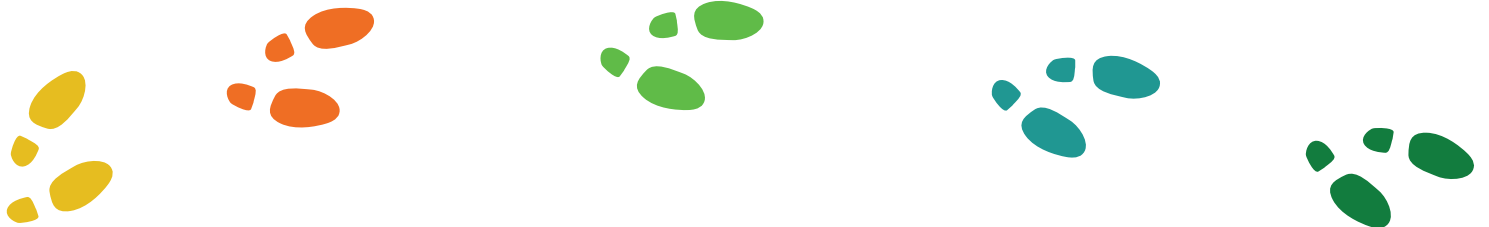
Business Ambassador visit at DMS Packing Services

2019 YEAR IN REVIEW

THERE IS MUCH TO CELEBRATE

41 BUSINESS AMBASSADOR VISITS:

WE WENT ON SITE WITH LOCAL BUSINESSES TO FIND OUT HOW THE VILLAGE CAN BEST SUPPORT THEIR NEEDS.



TOP NEWS



INVESTING IN WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Elk Grove awarded a \$100,000 grant to the District 214 Education Foundation to help the high school enhance its advanced manufacturing program and provide internship opportunities.

THE RACE TO 5G

At the Expo, Mayor Johnson shared his vision for making Elk Grove one of the first municipalities in the region to establish a 5G wireless technology network. A study is underway to provide this competitive advantage for businesses!

A world leader in automated manufacturing for the aerospace industry, Broetje-Automation chose to base its U.S. operations at the new Elk Grove Technology Park.

ELK GROVE
TECHNOLOGY PARK
WELCOMES FIRST
BUSINESS TENANT

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING ELK GROVE AWARD WINNERS

The people and businesses showcasing excellence in the community.



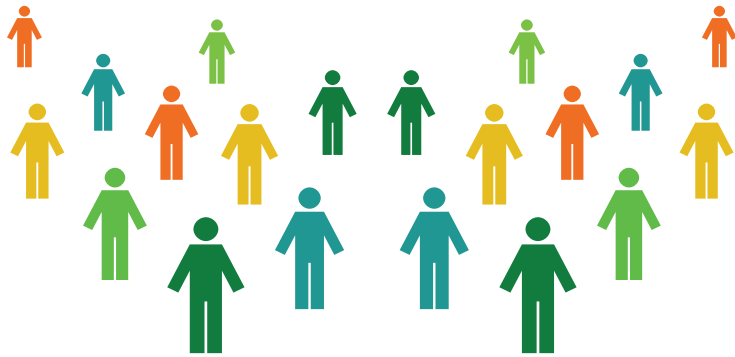
MADE IN ELK GROVE MANUFACTURING & TECHNOLOGY EXPO

OCTOBER 14
2019
STATS

97
EXHIBITORS



1,000
ATTENDEES



MOST-PLAYED PODCAST:

ELK GROVE'S YEAR IN REVIEW 2018
WITH MAYOR CRAIG B. JOHNSON

MOST-READ BLOCK PARTY POST:

ELK GROVE SELECTED FOR NEW YAMAZEN
NORTH AMERICAN HEADQUARTERS

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We'd love to hear your business story!

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VOUCHERS EMPOWER ILLINOIS MANUFACTURERS TO INVEST IN R&D, TECHNOLOGY, AND INNOVATION

The Illinois Manufacturing Innovation Voucher Program helps small and mid-sized manufacturers (SMMs) in Illinois obtain external technical assistance to solve technology adoption challenges. This competitive matching grant program is designed to remove hurdles in funding and know-how so SMMs can embrace new technologies in their products and processes – providing Illinois manufacturers a competitive advantage.

Eligible companies may be awarded up to \$25,000 in matching grant funds to be used to access third party expertise in the areas of R&D and technology adoption.

Why this is important?

- Small and mid-sized manufacturers (SMMs) are 99% of Illinois manufacturers
- SMMs are cornerstones of Illinois communities across the state, representing over 12,000 companies
- SMMs are lagging in productivity growth and innovation, the drivers of global competitiveness
- SMMs often lack the necessary internal resources to adopt advanced technology and modern business practices that are necessary for them to grow and/or sustain the future of their organization

For more information and how to apply, please visit www.imec.org/innovation.



ELK GROVE BUSINESSES STEP UP TO SUPPORT BAHAMIAN YOUTH HOME IN ADVANCE OF MAKERS WANTED BAHAMAS BOWL CONT.

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Ashland Door Solutions, a full-service provider and installer of commercial-grade doors, frames and hardware that services the entire Chicago area, contributed lock systems and a pallet of doors to the home, which requested all kinds of materials including doors, locks and other building maintenance supplies.

In addition to Ashland Door Solutions' donation, other businesses making contributions include: Anderson Lock, EM-Metal Fabricator, MG Bros Construction Inc., Middleby, Miller Industrial, & MS International (MSI).

Elk Grove Village was the title sponsor of the 2019 Makers Wanted Bahamas Bowl. Sponsoring the Makers Wanted Bahamas Bowl is one facet of the Village's overall economic development strategy that has delivered results for businesses and residents alike.