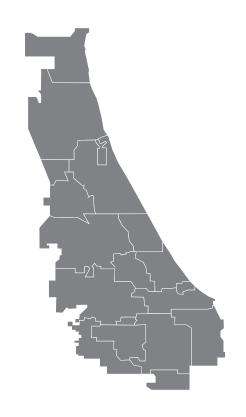


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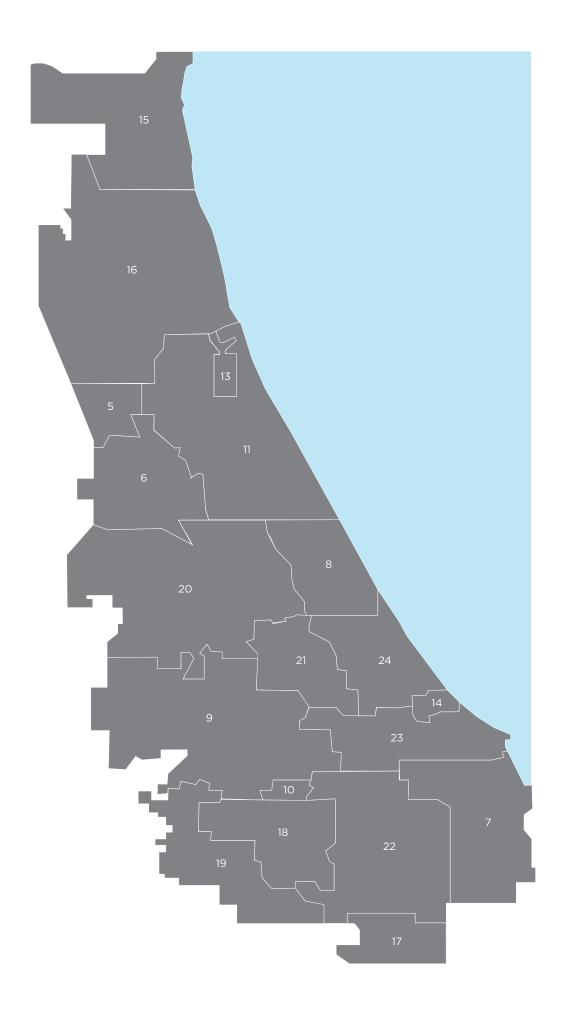




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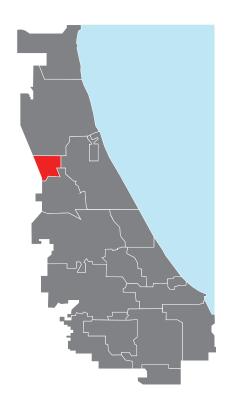
bannockburn

Ithough just 30 miles from downtown Chicago, Bannockburn is a tranquil community that feels a world away.



Originally built as country estates,
Bannockburn's homes are set on expansive
lots - many of which are set back from main
roads and surrounded by mature trees. The
village continuously works to preserve the
uniquely rural feeling that the locals love.

Homeowners come for the privacy and stay for the peacefulness and great outdoors. Maybe that's why the community has been home to a few notable residents who might enjoy a break from the spotlight, including former Chicago Bears coach Mike Ditka and former Chicago Bulls coach Phil Jackson.





Bannockburn residents enjoy the numerous biking and hiking trails nearby along with plentiful shopping and dining options in neighboring communities such as Deerfield.

Schools include Bannockburn School
District 106 and Deerfield High School.
The community is situated just east of
the Tri-State Tollway, offering convenient
transportation to downtown Chicago.
Metra also is an option for commuters,
who can access train stations in
nearby Lake Forest and Deerfield.

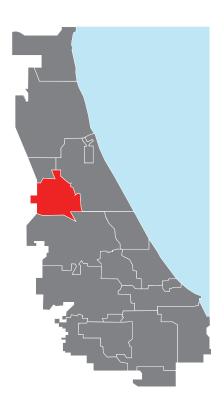
deerfield

eerfield boasts the best of both worldsthe amenities and conveniences of city living with the charm of a small town.



Touting a variety of housing options, Deerfield offers condominiums, townhomes and single-family homes in a wide range of architectural styles and prices. The village includes both walk-to-town locations and more traditional suburban subdivisions.

When it comes to amenities, Deerfield checks all the boxes. Deerfield Square includes an assortment of shops, restaurants and boutique workout studios, while the Sachs Recreation Center offers an indoor pool, tennis courts, gymnasiums, fitness classes and more. Another popular attraction is the Deerfield Historic Village, where residents and visitors can explore buildings dating back to the 1800s.





Students are served by Deerfield Public Schools District 109. High school students primarily attend Deerfield High School, considered one of the top public schools in Illinois.

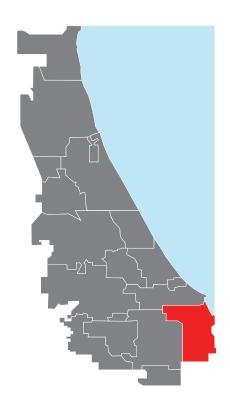
With two Metra stations and proximity to the Tri-State Tollway and Edens Expressway, Deerfield puts residents within easy reach of downtown Chicago, O'Hare International Airport, and numerous corporate headquarters.

evanston

ocated just north of Chicago, Evanston offers a beautiful natural setting on the shores of Lake Michigan. Its historic homes, tree-lined streets and sprawling beaches may be the first things that catch your eye, but there's a lot more to love here.

Home to world-class Northwestern University, Evanston residents have plenty to cheer about - from watching Big Ten sports and enjoying cultural events to exploring academic pursuits.

The thriving downtown district includes bookstores, boutiques, galleries, theaters and restaurants that attract city dwellers and suburbanites alike, while outdoor enthusiasts enjoy the many jogging trails, bicycle paths, parks and public beaches the community offers.



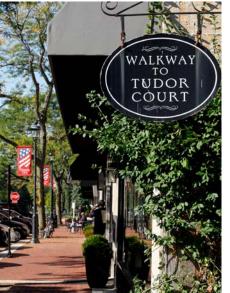


Evanston boasts a variety of homes in a wide range of styles and price points. You can find everything from stately historic mansions along the lakefront and well-maintained single-family homes on tree-lined streets, to contemporary townhomes and newer high-rises that are just a short walk to shops and restaurants.

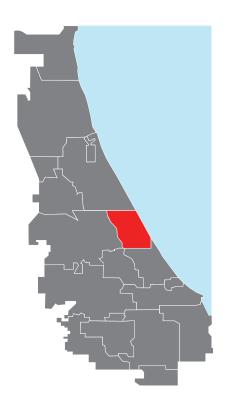
Residents have several convenient options to commute to downtown Chicago including the CTA's Purple Line and bus routes, as well as Pace buses and three Metra stations.

glencoe

ith vast stretches of ravines, abundant parks, a charming downtown district and superb schools including New Trier High School, there's plenty to brag about in the idyllic lakefront community of Glencoe.



Comprised of traditional and contemporary homes in a range of prices, Glencoe features beachfront mansions, architecturally-significant mid-century modern homes, new construction and a mix of townhomes and condominiums. Many neighborhoods are just a short walk to the village's downtown, which offers an array of eateries and upscale boutiques.





During the summer, residents can play 18 holes at the community's public golf course or take advantage of boat rentals, sailing lessons and volleyball at Glencoe Beach. Then, of course, there are the amenities that can be enjoyed yearround, from the renowned Writers Theatre and public library to the Takiff Center, offering a gymnasium, fitness studios, conference and activity rooms and more.

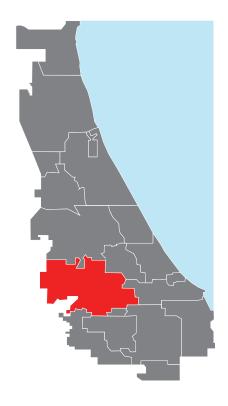
Glencoe is also home to the Chicago Botanic Garden - a breathtaking attraction with gardens, special events and horticulture classes. A Metra station a few blocks away makes it an easy commute for residents heading downtown or city dwellers visiting the Botanic Gardens.

glenview

ust 20 miles from downtown Chicago, Glenview is a destination in its own right. The scenic North Shore town has expanded rapidly thanks to its established neighborhoods, convenient access to transportation and array of amenities.



More than 45,000 people call Glenview home, with properties ranging from affordable townhomes and condominiums to luxury custom homes featuring the latest in amenities. Newer homes can also be found at The Glen, a large development on the site of the former Glenview Naval Air Station that offers an assortment of shops and restaurants, a movie complex, the Kohl Children's Museum and access to one of the town's two Metra stations.







In addition to modern development, Glenview celebrates and preserves its early days with two notable attractions: Wagner Farm and The Grove. A 20-acre working farm, Wagner Farm has handson programs – horseback riding, tractor driving and other activities – that reflect a day in the life of a 1920s farmer. The Grove, a National Historic Landmark, includes a prairie, nature trails, historic buildings and a log cabin that dates back to the 1850s.

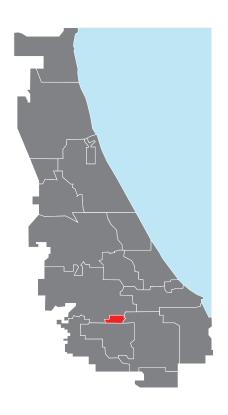
center, tennis club and Park Center.

golf

he Village of Golf is home to approximately 170 households and the Evans Scholars Foundation. The village has its own police force, post office and Metra train station, and shares its schools, parks and fire department with neighboring Glenview.



Residents enjoy diverse single-family home options and the opportunity to reside on relatively large residential lots, all while being situated near parks, public transportation, shopping and major expressways. A sense of community abounds with five annual events, including a winter social event, daylong 4th of July festivities, a fall steak fry, a Halloween haunted house and a Christmas Polar Express.





Golf owes its existence—and its name to its proximity to the Glen View Club. Around 1899, one member, Albert J. Earling, President of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad, started taking his private rail car from his offices downtown to golf at the Glen View Golf & Polo Club. He would tell people he was "going to golf." Earling arranged to have his car switched to a special siding at what is now the Golf train station. Students attending public schools go to District 34 Lyon and Pleasant Ridge Elementary Schools, Springman Middle School, and District 225 Glenbrook South High School. A number of students also attend the local private Catholic schools Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Regina Dominican High School, and Loyola Academy. North Shore Country Day School is another private school option.

highland park

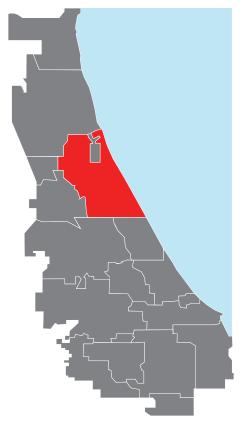
ou had me at Ravinia – yet there's so much more to love about Highland Park.
Located 23 miles north of downtown
Chicago, Highland Park is known for its vibrant downtown business district, abundant recreational facilities and world-class cultural amenities.

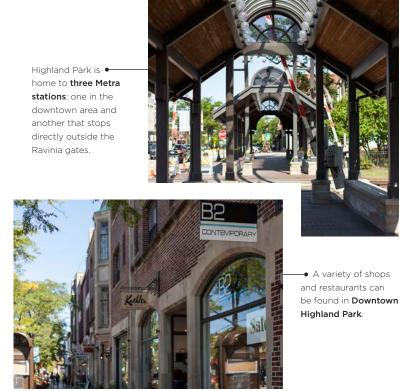


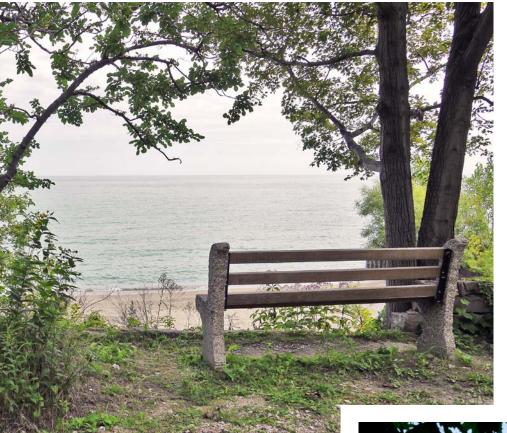


The city is home to several landmarks, including homes designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. Highland Park also created the first community land trust in Illinois to develop and preserve high-quality affordable housing for residents.

High-end homes in Highland Park range from custom lakefront mansions to multi-million-dollar contemporary estates. Mid-century moderns and intown bungalows are plentiful at more modest price points, while a number of luxury condominiums offer maintenance-free living within walking distance of downtown shops, restaurants and commuter train stations.







beachside BLISS

Residents enjoy two public beaches and the North Shore Yacht Club, a notfor-profit membership organization for sailors, kayakers, power boaters and stand-up paddle boarders. Downtown Highland Park thrives year-round thanks to an eclectic mix of businesses including local restaurants, national retailers and upscale boutiques.

music UNDER THE STARS

Highland Park shines brightest in the summertime, when the sprawling outdoor Ravinia Festival welcomes the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and a diverse lineup of popular musicians. Ravinia attracts concertgoers from near and far, including locals and city-dwellers who can hop on the Metra train that conveniently stops at the Festival gates.



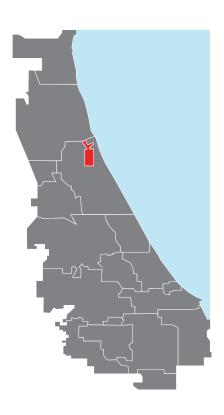
highwood

ighwood enjoys the good life, with a thriving dining scene, festivals and nightlife that attracts visitors from across the North Shore.



The city is known for its award-winning restaurants offering everything from Italian to French cuisine. In the summertime, residents enjoy Highwood's popular Evening Markets, recognized among the best on the North Shore with numerous vendors and a variety of musical acts.

Additional community events include the annual Holiday Lighting Ceremony and Highwood Days, the city's oldest festival. The city is also home to one of the area's premier bocce facilities, Highwood Bocce Club.





Aptly named for its high elevation relative to Lake Michigan and its wooded setting, Highwood is located just north of Highland Park. Real estate varies from duplexes and ranches to luxury apartments, condominiums, and single-family homes. The community also includes part of Fort Sheridan, a master-planned residential community and national historic landmark that was originally a U.S. military base.

The main highway to Highwood is US-41, which connects Chicago to Milwaukee.

Commuter rail service includes two

Metra train stations offering direct access to downtown Chicago.

kenilworth

enilworth's allure was no accident. In fact, the community was conscientiously designed to provide residents the utmost in beauty and privacy as well as proximity to downtown Chicago. Today it remains one of the most affluent communities in the Midwest.



Founded in 1889 by Joseph Sears, Kenilworth has fewer than 1,000 homes within its .6 mile radius; and notably no large businesses. The village was designed around its town assembly hall, the Kenilworth Club, to make the most of its natural beauty. The community's innovative design captured the attention of architects during the 1893 Columbian Exposition in Chicago.



Kenilworth's lakefront mansions complement comfortable Prairie-style homes by architect and original resident George Maher. Noted architect Franklin Burnham designed the railroad station and Kenilworth Union Church, along with several original homes. Spectacular new construction is also available to homebuyers but must meet strict architectural standards to maintain Kenilworth's tradition of elegance.

Schools in the community include top-rated Joseph Sears School and New Trier High School, which consistently ranks among the top high schools in the country.

Residents enjoy dining out in nearby villages or walking to the Kenilworth Metra Station for a short ride into the city. A beautiful public beach, flowing fountains, cozy parks, an active historical society and annual traditions such as a Memorial Day parade preserve the community's charm.

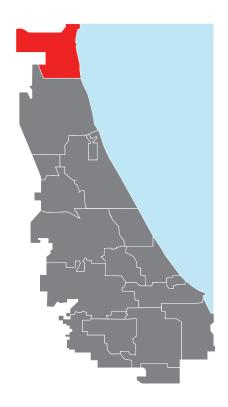


lake bluff

ake Bluff is a rare gem. Set atop the string of North Shore communities, the village boasts a welcoming laid-back lifestyle, historic architecture, a thriving downtown and a priceless sense of community.



Each year, Lake Bluff hosts a number of special events – from art festivals and farmers' markets to community barbeques, block parties and a Fourth of July Parade. Its annual Halloween event brings out hundreds of ghouls and goblins, while the Bluffinia concert series brings residents together on the Village Green for a wide range of live music. Residents also enjoy scenic parks, recreational activities, an assortment of small boutiques and restaurants, and a beautiful lakefront with limited development.





A variety of architectural styles keep Lake Bluff interesting with Tudor, Colonial, Victorian, bungalow and modern homes. Properties range from multi-million-dollar lakefront estates to condominiums and townhomes.

Lake Bluff schools include a number of well-respected public and private schools from kindergarten to post-graduate studies.

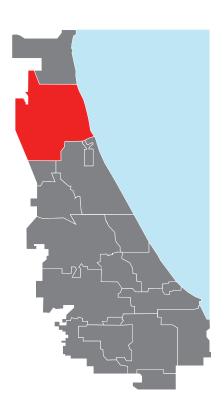
Residents find easy access to major interstates and U.S. Route 41, along with a Metra station that serves commuters going to Chicago.

lake forest

ith its towering trees, picturesque street plan and bluffs overlooking Lake Michigan, it's easy to see why Lake Forest is known for its natural beauty.



Rich in history, the community offers true luxury in a resort-style setting 30 miles north of Chicago. Historic estates built by legendary architects Howard Van Doren Shaw, David Adler and Henry Ives Cobb are interspersed among elegant homes with impeccable landscaping. Properties range from multimillion-dollar mansions to maintenance-free new-construction condominiums and singlefamily homes within walking distance of town.





Lake Forest offers top-notch public and private schools including Lake Forest Academy, which consistently ranks as one of the Midwest's best college preparatory schools. The town is also home to Lake Forest College and Lake Forest Graduate School of Management.

At the heart of Lake Forest is Market Square, a historically-significant landmark and charming hub of boutique shopping and dining. Cultural and recreational opportunities abound including the Gorton Community Center and Lake Forest Recreation Center, as well as at beautiful beaches, golf courses, and bike trails. There is also a Metra station right in town, providing commuters with convenient access to downtown Chicago.

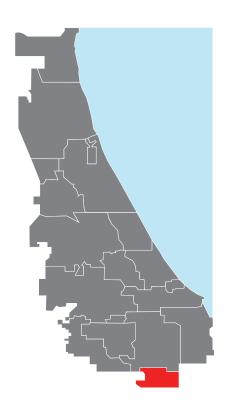
lincolnwood

owntown Chicago is only a short trip away, but Lincolnwood residents have plenty to enjoy right in their backyard.



From festivals and a summer concert series to classical concerts performed by the Lincolnwood Chamber Orchestra, the village hosts a number of events that contribute to its close-knit sense of community. Residents also enjoy a wealth of parks, pools, tennis courts, baseball diamonds, nearby forest preserves and bike trails.

Shopping awaits at the Lincolnwood Town Center, while dozens of independent merchants greet customers by name. Among the village's dining options is a popular barbeque restaurant where a scene from Ocean's Twelve was filmed.





Lincolnwood homebuyers will find a variety of homes in several styles and price ranges including condominiums, well-maintained bungalows and new construction single-family homes.

Lincolnwood high school students attend the highly-acclaimed Niles West High School, part of District 219 in neighboring Skokie. The town is also part of the Oakton Community College District in Skokie, and offers three universities within 10 miles of the village.

The nearby Edgebrook Metra station provides residents with commuter rail service to downtown Chicago. Commuters can also take a public bus to catch the CTA's Blue and Yellow lines.

morton grove

ith 20 percent of its land set aside for open space, Morton Grove offers an abundance of recreational amenities including a historic bike trail, the Cook County Forest Preserve and numerous award-winning parks.



A variety of housing choices can be found throughout the community, from ranch homes to Chicago-style bungalows. Adding to its charm are tree-lined streets, local shops and eateries and annual events that highlight Morton Grove's tight-knit community.

Students are served by several excellent school districts. High school students attend Niles West High School or Niles North High School located in neighboring Skokie; or Maine East High School in Park Ridge.





Community pride is especially evident in the summer, when residents come together to celebrate Morton Grove Days - a popular festival with carnival rides, live entertainment and a Fourth of July parade. Morton Grove also shines when it comes to convenience, with the village offering direct access to downtown Chicago via Metra's Milwaukee District North Line and the Edens Expressway.

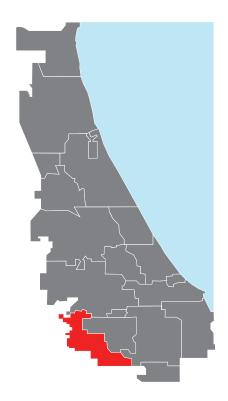
niles

ust 15 minutes from the hustle and bustle of downtown Chicago, the Village of Niles offers quiet residential neighborhoods shaded by towering trees.



Despite being outside the city, Niles still has a cosmopolitan vibe with its own half-size replica of the Leaning Tower of Pisa and active Sister Cities program, promoting student and cultural exchanges. The community also has a strong commitment to sustainability, converting vacant land into the Farm on Franks, a community garden and educational experience.

Niles homebuyers will find a variety of homes in several styles and price ranges, from condominiums to well-maintained bungalows and new construction single-family homes.





Students are served by several school districts including Niles Township High School District 219, which has an acclaimed arts and sciences program that is considered one of the top programs in the country.

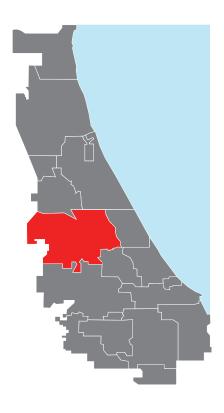
Niles residents have several transportation options including two nearby Metra rail lines providing direct service to downtown Chicago and a free bus for travel within the village. Commuters can also take a public bus to catch the CTA's Blue and Yellow Lines.

northbrook

orthbrook has many claims to fame, and "movie star" is just one of them. The backdrop for feature films including "Ferris Bueller's Day Off," Northbrook is one of the largest communities on the North Shore. Locals love that despite its movie star status, it still maintains a small-town feel.

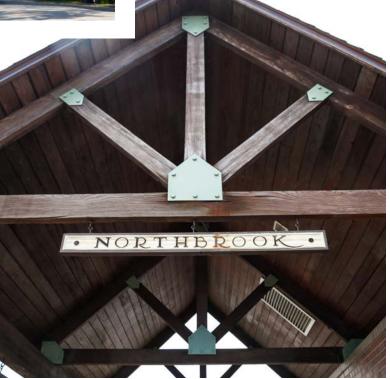


With some of the most diverse housing options on the North Shore. Northbrook features a variety of neighborhoods with single-family homes in architectural styles ranging from mid-century ranch to contemporary. There are also new townhomes and condominiums in a wide price range.



Northbrook's beautiful residential areas are interspersed with parks, local business districts, corporate headquarters and shopping centers, making the community a destination for many in nearby suburbs. One of the community's top shopping attractions is Northbrook Court, a large regional mall with high-end retailers, restaurants and a movie theater. Downtown Northbrook also offers locals shopping. dining and celebrations including the annual Northbrook Days festival.

Recreational pursuits also contribute to the Northbrook lifestyle. The community has an outstanding park district with facilities and year-round programs for just about every sport - from baseball and golf to cycling and skating. Biking and running trails are also abundant, while Northbrook's Velodrome offers bicycle racing, training and entertainment.

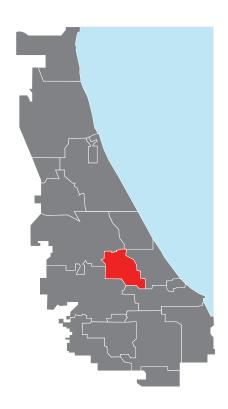


northfield

ith large lots, top-notch schools and proximity to numerous corporate headquarters, Northfield is a wonderful place to call home. Yet there are just 5,500 residents in this small North Shore community, lending to its enduring charm and tranquility.



Known for its distinctly residential character, Northfield is defined by sprawling ranch homes with spacious yards, European-inspired mansions on oversized lots, and condominiums in quiet locales. While the community has experienced growth through new construction, its welcoming atmosphere still remains.





Convenient access to I-94 and I-294 make for an easy drive to the city and O'Hare International Airport. Meanwhile, neighboring towns such as Winnetka and Glenview have Metra stations providing train service to downtown Chicago.

In addition to highly-regarded schools, including nationally-recognized New Trier High School, Northfield offers residents plenty to enjoy in their spare time, from excellent shops and restaurants to weekend farmers' markets, lush forest preserves and jogging trails.

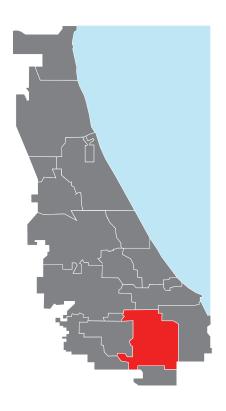
skokie

kokie is a thriving community catering to suburban residents who enjoy a more urban lifestyle. Recognized by *Money* magazine as one of the fastest-growing suburbs in the U.S. and by Livability.com as one of the Top 100 Places to Live, Skokie's secret is out.



Homebuyers will find a diverse collection of housing and neighborhoods within walking distance of shops, restaurants and grocery stores in downtown Skokie. Architectural styles include classic bungalow-style singlefamily homes as well as apartment buildings.

Home to one of the region's top shopping centers. Westfield Old Orchard Mall. Skokie offers numerous upscale retailers, a variety of dining options and two movie theaters. The North Shore Center for the Performing Arts and Northlight Theatre are among the community's cultural amenities that draw locals and visitors alike.





If you're looking for fun and games, Skokie has that covered too thanks to an awardwinning park district with 240 acres of parkland and year-round programs and events. A recently-renovated leisure center offers a variety of classes and workout options for residents on the move.

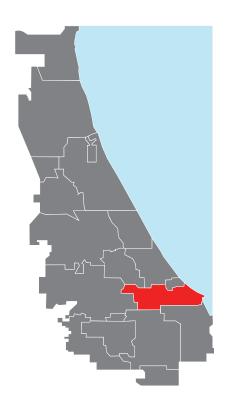
Skokie offers convenient access to the city with the Edens Expressway located along its western edge and the easily accessible CTA Yellow Line.

wilmette

ne of the original North Shore villages,
Wilmette is a role model for communities
aspiring to be all they can be. With highlyrated schools and a wealth of amenities, it's no surprise
the community has been ranked by *Chicago* magazine
as one of the Chicago area's best places to live.



When it comes to housing in Wilmette, there's no shortage of architectural styles and price points. Quintessential Cape Cod, Victorian and Colonial homes line the village's historic streets, many of which are paved with clay-fired bricks from the 1800s. In addition to single-family homes, there are beachfront condominiums and more affordable townhomes. While well-kept homes maintain Wilmette's rich architectural history in all of its glory, new construction attests to the village's enduring popularity.



The schools in Wilmette are among the best. In fact, two Wilmette elementary schools are among the 17 schools in the state awarded the prestigious National Blue-Ribbon Award. The community is also served by the highly-acclaimed New Trier High School, located in Winnetka.

Wilmette's Metra station and access to I-94 make commuting a breeze, but there's plenty of reasons to stay local. At the heart of town is the Village Center, where you'll find specialty stores, restaurants and The Wilmette Theatre. The awe-inspiring Baha'i Temple is a highly-visible landmark along Sheridan Road, while Plaza del Lago provides excellent shopping. Ample recreational activities are also available at Gillson Park and beach, Wilmette Harbor, and the Centennial Recreation Complex which includes swimming, tennis and ice skating.

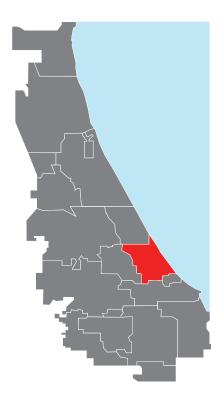


winnetka

innetka is beautiful inside and out - from its picturesque downtown and scenic beaches to homes designed by renowned masters of architecture. It's all right here in the Village of Winnetka, just 16 miles north of downtown Chicago.



Pedestrian-friendly neighborhoods surround the village's downtown business district, putting residents just steps from a variety of boutique shops and eateries. Three Metra stations are also located throughout the community, providing convenient commuting options to downtown Chicago. Of course, with Winnetka's beautiful beaches, golf courses, A.C. Nielsen Tennis Center. Ice Arena and numerous parks, you may never want to leave.



Public schools in Winnetka include three elementary schools, two middle schools and New Trier High School, which consistently ranks among the best in the country. There also are a number of prestigious private schools within the community.

Winnetka's housing choices range from multimillion-dollar lakefront mansions to in-town condominiums and townhomes. Victorians. Colonials and Tudors are interspersed with contemporary and newconstruction homes on graceful tree-lined streets. Neighborhoods feature homes by some of the most distinguished architects of their day including George Maher, Howard Van Doren Shaw, and David Adler.

For all of its beauty, residents will tell you it's what's on the inside that counts. They love Winnetka's "Mayberry" feeling and sense of community, with neighbors coming together for block parties, parades and fireworks.







