# THERE'S MORE TO LOVE AT TINLEY PARK - PARK DISTRICT



# May 2025

#### Hope you had a fun and safe Memorial Day weekend! Read up on the latest demolition work below!

From our Board of Commissioners:

Lisa O'Donovan, Bernie O' Boyle, Marie Ryan, Ashley Rubino, and Lisa Butler



# **Demolition Continues**

More buildings were demolished on site this month while crews continued their clean-up work inside other buildings on the 280 acres of vacant land. Pine Hall and the buildings that once made up the Howe Center were razed. These

buildings were built in the 1960s and 1970s and were home to children and adults living with disabilities. See photos and video of the recent demolition <u>here</u>.



### Thank You, Commissioner Cuba

We want to extend our gratitude to Commissioner Don Cuba on his years of service to the Park District and his leadership in helping obtain the former mental health center land for only \$1. Because of the leadership of Commissioner Cuba and his fellow Commissioners Bernie O'Boyle, Lisa O'Donovan, Ashley Rubino and Marie Ryan, this site is finally getting cleaned up for the community.

We thank Don for his service, and we welcome new Park District Commissioner Lisa Butler, who was sworn in as a new commissioner last week!



# **Updates from Springfield**

The site is being cleaned up using only state of Illinois grant funds because it was owned by the state for many decades. The state chose the Park District to finally clean up this property and be responsible stewards of the grant funding. We're doing just that, without asking our residents to foot the bill!

Our experts are currently working with state leaders to secure all funding needed to complete our clean-up project. We hope to have updates soon on the progress of securing additional state funding as the General Assembly wraps up its spring session. Stay tuned for more!



## Stay In The Know

In addition to our newsletter, you can learn more about the cleanup through our community-driven Remediate 280 Committee that convenes monthly to discuss the state-funded cleanup in more detail. Find the schedule on our <u>website</u>.

You can also find a helpful guide of frequently asked questions about the cleanup work on our <u>website</u>.



# Stay Informed

Learn more about the cleanup's progress on <u>our website</u> and through our social media channels: <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u>.

Remediation Meeting Schedule

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