

FOIA Information Directory

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Under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), all requests must be in writing and directed to the Tinley Park-Park District in one of the following ways:

Drop off or Mail: Fax: Email:

Tinley Park-Park District FOIA Request 708-342-4291 <u>foia@tinleyparkdistrict.org</u>

Tony Bettenhausen Recreation Center Attn: FOIA Officer

8125 W. 171st Street Tinley Park, IL 60477

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The Tinley Park-Park District is a unit of local government incorporated and organized under the laws of the State of Illinois. Its purpose is to provide leisure services and leisure facilities for the residents within its boundaries.

The Tinley Park-Park District is located in the Village of Tinley Park, a southwest suburb of Chicago, just 30 minutes southwest of downtown Chicago. The Park District maintains 40 parks, 34 ball fields and several amenities.

The Tinley Park-Park District's operating budget for 2024-25 is \$15,430,290 does not include the \$15,000,000 Mental Health Center remediation project, which is being paid for by a grant from the Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity. The budget for Capital Projects is \$4,842,975, which does not include the Mental Health Property remediation project, and the budget for Debt Services is \$1,165,000.

The Park District also operates Tinley Fitness, Landmark Museum and Church, McCarthy Recreation Building, Tinley Park Performing Arts Center, Tinley Junction Miniature Golf and Batting Cages, Vogt Visual Arts Center, The Extreme Skate Park, and White Water Canyon Water Park.

The Tinley Park-Park District employs 35 full-time employees, 128 part-time employees, and approximately 247 seasonal employees.

A Board of Commissioners governs the Park District

Lisa O'Donovan President Bernie O'Boyle Vice President

Marie Ryan Treasurer

Ashley Rubino Secretary Lisa Butler Commissioner

Operational organization and key employees of the Tinley Park-Park District are:

Shawn Roby, Executive Director

Ryan Veldman Superintendent of Parks Meghan Fenion Superintendent of Recreation Sean Caddigan Facilities Manager

Patricia Peccia Business Manager

Kelly Jones FOIA Officer