

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



August 2025

Check out the latest updates on our efforts to clean up the vacant site for our community!

From our Board of Commissioners:

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



Cleanup Phase 2

This month, we have been closing out all of the significant work that was performed at the site under Phase 1 of cleanup and diving into Phase 2. Phase 2 will be funded through a second state grant awarded to the Park District for an

additional \$18 million.

We're proceeding with the Phase 2 bidding process to secure a contractor for the remaining clean-up and demolition work that will be covered by the second state grant, which will help complete this extensive environmental cleanup. The additional grant money will also fund our work through Illinois EPA's Site Remediation Program as we work towards obtaining a No Further Remediation Letter and other work at the site necessary to get the property ready for redevelopment.

The Phase 2 bidding process will continue until a contractor is selected, with the goal of finalizing the new bid in early fall. While that process is underway, environmental work at the site continues.



State Funding

The additional \$18 million in state funding recently awarded to the Park District was necessary to ensure the full 280 acres of land is cleaned up with what our environmental laws require.

Several factors contributed to the need for increased funding to complete the cleanup, including that cost estimates were prepared during the 2013-2014 timeframe.

In addition, once the cleanup project began last year, our experts were finally able to access all areas of the site, including many areas that have not been accessed for years due to overgrown vegetation and unsafe building conditions. The team was able to better assess the work needed and found the cleanup to be more extensive than initial estimates, in order to complete the abatement and demolition work consistent with environmental laws.

Other factors included inflation and rising construction costs, the continued degradation of the abandoned buildings on site, as well as the need for extensive abatement and additional work to address storm water build up in basements, tunnels and throughout the site.



Stay in the Know

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 [website](#).

You can also find a helpful guide of frequently asked questions about the clean-up work on [our website](#).



Stay Informed

Learn more about the cleanup's progress on [our website](#) and through our social media channels: [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#).

Remediation Meeting Schedule

TINLEY PARK-PARK DISTRICT

Phone: (708) 342-4200

[Visit our Website](#)

Socials



Tinley Park-Park District | 8125 W. 171st Street | Tinley Park, IL 60477 US

[Unsubscribe](#) | [Update Profile](#) | [Constant Contact Data Notice](#)



Try email marketing for free today!