West Allis
IT'S YOUR CITY
Winter 2017

HOW YOUR WEST ALLIS PROPERTY TAX *Works!*

Taxes on an average home assessed at **$150,000** → Total property tax **$4,098.00** → Lottery & First Dollar credits applied **$3,909.44**

Your 2017 taxes go here

WA/WM School District **$1,203.00**

Milwaukee County **$762.00**

MMSD **$261.00**

MATC **$189.00**

State of Wisconsin **$25.50**

City of West Allis Portion

Police **$476.10**

Fire Services **$337.93**

Public Works/ Engineering **$315.57**

Debt **$106.28**

Administrative **$77.56**

Regulatory (Permit/License) **$70.62**

Health Dept. & Senior Center **$60.10**

Library **$59.82**

IT/CFE **$49.43**

Human Resources **$36.22**

Legal/Judicial **$34.19**

Finance **$22.67**

Policy Making **$11.01**

DATA FROM 2017 BUDGET
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CITY AT THE CENTER WEST ALLIS

WE'RE ON A ROLL

During 2017, the City of West Allis will roll out a new recycling program with convenient new carts!

- Easy to move carts on wheels
- Single Stream recycling system
- Save money by not purchasing bags
- No more bags blowing down the street
- Recycling guide coming in 2017!

For updates and information visit us at www.westalliswi.gov/recycle

CAAD New Year's Eve Party

Saturday, December 31,
West Allis Central High School
8521 W. Lincoln Ave.
6:30-10:00 p.m.

- Inflatable Attractions
- Basketball
- Volleyball
- Swimming
- Music
- Raffles
- Balloon Drop at 9:45 p.m.

Admission is free for CAAD members.
$6 for guests ages 4 and older.

Visit the City's web site at www.westalliswi.gov or call the Community Services Unit at (414) 302-8050 for info.

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Holiday Closings and Refuse & Recycling Schedule

The West Allis City Hall, Public Works-Municipal Yard, Health Department, and Senior Center will be **closed** on the dates noted below in observance of the following holidays:

Christmas Day Observed
Monday, December 26

New Year's Day Observed
Monday, January 2, 2017

City of West Allis Offices are open for:

Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Monday, January 16

Presidents' Day
Monday, February 20

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The Municipal Yard will be closed for drop-off, DPW offices will be closed and refuse and recycling will not be collected on:

- Saturday, December 24, and Monday, December 26
- Saturday, December 31, and Monday, January 2, 2017

	Scheduled Collection Day	Set Out Refuse and/or Recycling On
Red recycling week	Monday, December 26	Tuesday, December 27
	Tuesday, December 27	Tuesday, December 27
	Wednesday, December 28	Wednesday, December 28
	Thursday, December 29	Thursday, December 29
	Friday, December 30	Friday, December 30
Black recycling week	Monday, January 2	Tuesday, January 3
	Tuesday, January 3	Tuesday, January 3
	Wednesday, January 4	Wednesday, January 4
	Thursday, January 5	Thursday, January 5
	Friday, January 6	Friday, January 6

- Refuse and recycling collections are affected by weeks with a holiday. Crews may work ahead or fall behind the normal route schedule during these weeks. Any refuse or recyclables not collected should be made available on the next scheduled work day.
- Please note the holiday schedule and plan ahead to set out your refuse and, if appropriate, recyclables by 7:00 a.m. according to this modified schedule.

As always, questions regarding your collection may be directed to the Sanitation and Street Division at (414) 302-8800 or the Recycling Office at (414) 302-8831, weekdays from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., or by viewing information on the City's website at www.westalliswi.gov.

Coffee with the Mayor

Coffee with the Mayor is held on the first and third Mondays of each month, 9-10 a.m. These bi-monthly meetings are held at local coffee shops and are an opportunity for conversation, questions, answers.

Visit www.westalliswi.gov for meeting locations.

Coyote sightings in and near our neighborhoods in Milwaukee County are quite common and are rarely a cause for concern. However, Milwaukee County Parks and the Wisconsin DNR are interested in this information to monitor coyote activity and coyote behavior. If you see a coyote, please report this observation to the "Milwaukee County Coyote Watch" project page at iNaturalist.org (http://www.inaturalist.org/projects/milwaukee-county-coyote-watch).

If you know coyotes are present in your area, it is always important to keep a close eye on your pet when outside, regardless of their size, and be sure to inform your neighbors to not feed urban wildlife in their yards or local parks. If you have questions, visit the DNR's Urban Coyote webpage (http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/wildlifehabitat/urbancoyote.html) or it's Urban Wildlife webpage (http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/wildlifehabitat/urban.html) for more information.

Thank you for your help!

Christmas In West Allis

Christmas on the Avenue, along with the City's Annual Community Sing and Christmas Tree Lighting and the Community Christmas Parade, was held on Saturday, December 3. Caroling by the Horace Mann Chorus Kids, West Milwaukee Choirs, and members of Central & Hale Choirs was enjoyed by all. Lighting of the Christmas Tree signaled the start of the Parade, sponsored by the West Allis Community Christmas Parade Committee.

Each year a child is chosen to help the Mayor light the tree. Children's names are placed in a drawing when they drop off a non-perishable food item as part of the City's holiday food collection. This year, the lucky person was Ja'Rel Mitchell, age 5. Items collected were included in a donation to eleven West Allis and West Milwaukee food pantries. Visit www.downtownwestallis.org to view holiday photos.

Save the Date

28th Annual
West Allis Community Dinner Dance
Saturday, March 25, 2017, 6-11 p.m.,
Hampton Inn & Suites - Milwaukee West

- Catered Dinner
- "Taste of West Allis" Sweet Table
- Dancing Music
- Exciting Silent Auction

The event will benefit Shared Journeys.

Shared Journeys is located in West Allis and is an instrumentality charter school of the WAWM School District, serving pregnant and parenting teens. This charter high school provides a menu of educational as well as outreach and community support options to best meet the unique needs of each individual student. Students are educated both in parenting and academics. Shared Journeys provides an opportunity to complete a high school education while encouraging strong parenting, healthy lifestyles and building post-secondary skills through a supportive community and innovative learning environment.

Event details will be available in early 2017. Contact the Foundation at (414) 302-8292 or visit www.westallisfoundation.org for more information.

Holiday SAFETY TIPS

The holiday season is always a special time of year. It is also a time when busy people may become distracted and vulnerable to theft and other holiday crime. We can never be too careful, too prepared, or too aware.

- Shop during daylight hours whenever possible. If you must shop at night, go with a friend or family member, and if you must shop at night, park in a well-lit area.
- Never leave your car unoccupied with the motor running or with children inside.
- Do not leave packages or valuables on the front seat of your car. This creates a temptation for thieves. If you must leave something in the car, lock it in the trunk or put it out of sight.
- When approaching or leaving your vehicle, be aware of your surroundings.
- When ordering gifts on-line, make sure the website is familiar, secure, and ensure someone is available to receive the packages.
- Teach your child to go to a store clerk and ask for help in case your child is separated from you. Always carry a picture of them with you.
- Teach children their full name, address and telephone number to give to police officers or mall security. Teach children to immediately inform you if a stranger is bothering them.
- When leaving home for an extended time, have a neighbor or family member watch your house and pick up your newspapers and mail.
- Remember, only time will eliminate the alcohol from your body. Know your safe limit and never drink and drive.

The West Allis Police Department wishes you a joyous holiday season.

E-Notify

Get City information by Email or SMS

By using E-Notify, you can find out when important things happen in the City via email and text alerts. You can receive several different types of notices including news releases, meeting notices and agendas, job announcements, refuse and recycling updates, construction reports, and many others. Once you choose your topics, just sit back and wait for pertinent information to come directly to you.

Visit Your State Fair Park

State Fair Park holds many events and activities throughout the year. Visit www.wistatefair.com for up-to-date event information.

Snow Emergency Procedures

Revised September 2013

- When approximately three inches of snow falls in a storm, the Department of Public Works usually plows all City streets and alleys.
- A "SNOW EMERGENCY" is declared through a radio or television announcement when a full scale plowing operation is initiated.
- Once declared, all parking is prohibited on major emergency thoroughfares only for the duration of the emergency.
- For residential parking, normal alternate side parking is allowed during declared snow emergencies. Past practice of staying on the same side of the street for the duration of a declared snow emergency has been **eliminated**. Regular residential parking restrictions apply for all overnight parking.
- Snow emergency regulations shall supersede all other overnight parking regulations for the duration of the snow emergency.
- On certain streets other than emergency thoroughfares where one side of the entire block is permanently posted NO PARKING AT ANY TIME year-round, parking will be allowed on the opposite side during the declared snow emergency regardless of the calendar date on which the emergency is declared.
- Visit www.westalliswi.gov for a listing of snow emergency thoroughfares.

New Anti-Icing Technology

The City of West Allis DPW vehicles will be applying new anti-icing products that will help melt snow and reduce ice formation on the roadway. This process is known as anti-icing. This is being done to provide safe driving conditions and reduce the environmental impact.

- Anti-icing is a pro-active approach to winter road maintenance. Liquid brine is applied to a street before a snow and ice event to prevent the hard bond of snow/ice to the surface.
- Reduced use of abrasives on the road results in reduced environmental impacts.
- Snow and ice control cost savings results in benefits to the City and the public.
- Improved winter roadway conditions results in safer driving conditions for motorists.
- Reduces labor hours, fuel consumption, and wear on equipment. Crews can cover more area by beginning treatment prior to storm event while in better conditions.
- Potentially decreases application of annual salt application by 20% to 30%.

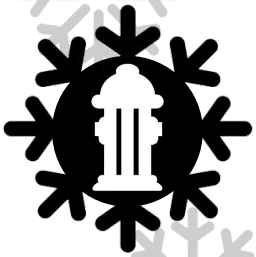
To find out more, please visit www.westalliswi.gov/snow.

Required Tips For Snow Removal

With winter weather approaching, the City would like to remind all property owners, both commercial and residential, of the following:

- Snow and ice must be removed within 24 hours after the snow has stopped falling.
- Public sidewalks must be cleared to a width of 3 feet.
- Curb ramps, the portion of the public sidewalk that leads to the street crosswalk area, are considered a portion of the public sidewalk and therefore must also be cleared.

- Failure to remove snow or ice from the public sidewalk and curb ramp within this timeframe will result in a citation, in addition to an invoice for the cost of removing the snow and ice (per section 11.12 of the Revised Municipal Code).

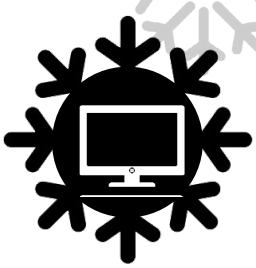


- As a courtesy to your neighbors, please do not blow, plow, shovel or otherwise deposit snow or ice from your property onto their property.
- The area around fire hydrants and catchbasins should be cleared.
- Don't bury the hydrant in a snow bank.

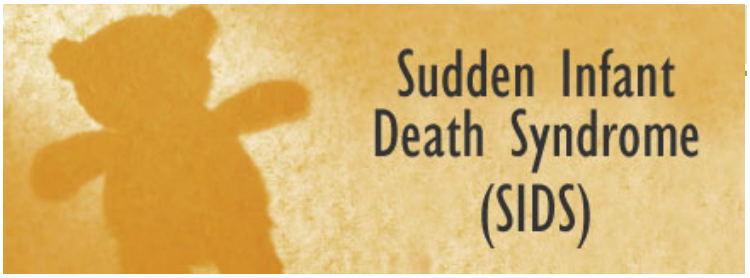
- If ice has already formed and cannot be removed, an abrasive material must be applied (such as sand, salt or a mixture).
- Shoveling, plowing or blowing snow or ice from your property onto the roadway or alley is subject to a fine.

- The City of West Allis Revised Municipal Code, Section 13.28(10)(g), requires drainage from sump pumps, gutter extensions, and yard areas to be directed so they do not cause a nuisance to public streets, alleys or sidewalks.

Avoid these costly expenses by removing your snow and ice promptly and properly. If you have any questions, please visit www.westalliswi.gov or contact the Forestry Division at (414) 302-8811.



Sign-up for E-notify to receive snow emergency information at www.westalliswi.gov/notifyme.



Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) takes the lives of over 3,500 infants each year and is the number one cause of death for infants under 6 months of age. The American Academy of Pediatrics released its newest Safe Sleep Recommendations in October 2016 to help reduce this staggering number.

For at least the first six months of life, infants should sleep in the same room as their parents, but NOT in the same bed. Optimally, the child should sleep in the same room up to one year of age.

The Academy recommends children sleep on separate surfaces within the same room, such as a crib, but never on a soft surface, armchair or couch. The infant should be placed in the crib on a firm mattress on their back. There should be no blankets, quilts, bumper pads, pillows or stuffed animals with them. The only thing in the crib should be the baby dressed in a sleeper. Keep the room temperature at a comfortable level and the baby will be fine. A onesie may be added as an additional layer but nothing else.

The Academy's Report states that evidence shows parents sharing a room with their infant can reduce the risk of SIDS by as much as 50%. A baby within reach of their mother may have more comfort or physical stimulation from being in an environment with another person. Mothers being near their babies also facilitates breastfeeding which in itself has been shown to reduce the risk of SIDS by 70%.

Help protect our precious babies by sharing information regarding the new sleep recommendations. For further information, please visit the American Academy of Pediatrics at www.aap.org.

Spanish Health Fair

DIA DEL LOS LATINOS
West Allis/West Milwaukee
Saturday, March 25, 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Lincoln Intermediate School,
7815 W. Lapham St.
Details to follow. Visit www.westalliswi.gov, West Allis Health Department, and City of West Allis Facebook page.

Evening Immunization Clinic Changes

Evening Immunization Clinics will be changed to the first Mondays and third Tuesdays of the month beginning in January 2017. These clinics are by appointment only and are scheduled for 3:30-6 p.m. Call the Health Department at (414) 302-8600 to make an appointment.

Living Well With Chronic Conditions

Want to learn more, feel better? That's what Self-Management Education is all about! Mark your calendars for this wonderful, FREE class being offered by the West Allis Health Department.

The class is for any adult with a chronic condition, such as high blood pressure, chronic pain, diabetes, heart disease, etc. If you are living with a chronic condition, this is the class for you! Along with needed group support, you will find ways to deal with pain and fatigue, discover better nutrition and exercise choices, learn about stress management and better sleep, and much more.

Living Well with Chronic Conditions is a six-week class that meets once each week for 2½ hours. Class is scheduled for Tuesday afternoons, 1:30–4 p.m., beginning January 17 at The Landmark of West Allis, 1441 S. 68 St. All are welcome. The class is FREE, but if participants want to borrow a book, there is a $20 deposit. The money is refunded if at least 4 of 6 classes are attended AND the book is returned in good condition.

Feel Better. Be in control. Do the things you want to do!

Register now for Living Well with Chronic Conditions by calling The Landmark at (414) 302-1700. For further information regarding the program, please call Peggy Pipia, West Allis Health Department, at (414) 302-8640.

Daylight Savings is coming early! Set your clocks to spring ahead on SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2017.

Daylight Savings is also a perfect time to do some emergency preparedness planning. When you change your clocks, check your emergency preparedness stockpile and be sure to replace expired or missing items. As a reminder, everyone should have at least a three-day supply of food and water stored in their homes, with at least one gallon of water per person per day. Choose foods that do not require refrigeration. Include flashlights, manual can opener, radio, batteries, and copies of important documents. Depending on your family, you may need to include medical supplies, pet food, contact lens solution, or diapers. Remember, your stockpile is for EMERGENCIES, so initial planning will leave you PREPARED. For more information, visit www.ready.gov.

West Allis Senior Center News

The West Allis Senior Center is located at 7001 W. National Avenue. Hours are Monday – Friday, 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Closed Holidays and weekends. Phone: (414) 302-8700.

Membership is open to anyone age 55 or older. Fees are $20 for West Allis/West Milwaukee residents, $25 for nonresidents. The Senior Center offers a wide variety of weekly classes and activities, along with many special events and informational programs.

Area Agency on Aging – Senior Nutrition Programs for West Allis residents age 60 and over. Hot lunch served weekly at 11:30 a.m. at the West Allis Senior Center, (414) 302-8703, and St. Aloysius Parish Center, (414) 840-1704. Suggested donation is $2.50/meal. Advance reservations are required. Contact the meal sites directly or call the Area Agency on Aging at (414) 289-6995.

Senior Nutrition Program Gift Certificates Available. Certificate entitles bearer (age 60 or older) to one free lunch. Call (414) 302-8703 for more information.

Hunger Task Force's Stockbox Program is dedicated to providing healthy foods to low-income older adults who meet residency, age, and income guidelines. Call "211" to see if you qualify for this monthly box of nonperishable foods.

Selected Events for January, February, March

Movie Matinees. Thursdays, 12:30 p.m.

Chair Yoga. Thursdays, 10:30–11 a.m., with instructor, Susie Melott. Breathing techniques and meditation included in all sessions.

Creative Card Making Group. Mondays, 9:30–11:00 a.m. Learn techniques for creating greeting cards, gift tags, etc. Preregister at (414) 302-8700.

Savvy Cyber Senior Computer Labs. Tuesdays and Wednesdays, Noon-2 p.m. Learn computer basics or venture into the Internet, Facebook and Email. Call for more information.

Dance, Dance, Dance. Tuesdays, 10:30–11 a.m. Move and enjoy music from the 40's, 50's, 60's and 70's!

Folk Dance Group. Ongoing beginner sessions on Wednesdays, 10–11 a.m.

Drumming Circle. Discover the benefits of traditional drumming in these six-week sessions held on Tuesdays, Noon–1 p.m. Call for next start date.

Gifts of Warmth Program accepting donations at the Senior Center of acrylic 4-ply and baby yarns used to make knitted and crocheted items for a variety of community projects and programs.

Quilting Groups. Intermediate/Advanced Quilting Group meets Tuesdays, 9–11 a.m. Also seeking an experienced instructor for a beginners quilting group.

Support Groups. "Beat the Blues," a weekly support group for individuals coping with grief, meets every other Tuesday, 12:30 p.m.; Depends on You – AA for the Older Adult group meets Thursdays, 2:00 p.m.

Recreational Activities. Non-sanctioned bowling league on Wednesday afternoons, September-June. Other activities include Pocket Billiards and Wii Bowling. Call (414) 302-8700 for schedule.

Safety and Home Healthcare Tips for Elderly Parents in the Winter

Prevent falls in icy conditions

- Keep driveways, porches, ramps and sidewalks clear of snow and ice.
- Put down salt to melt the ice and to provide extra stability.
- Wear rubber-soled boots or shoes.
- Add non-skid pads to your parent's shoes, new treads on canes and walkers.

Make sure the house is well heated

- Make sure the furnace or gas heaters have been serviced.
- Change the filter on the furnace.
- Make sure the propane tank is full.
- Use only modern space heaters. Keep them away from flammable objects.
- Have extra blankets, sweaters and slippers.

Dress properly for the cold

- Wear extra layers for warmth.
- Make sure that you are well dressed in case of an accident or stranded.
- Wear a windproof coat, hat, gloves and waterproof boots.
- Keep extra winter clothing, snacks and water in the car.

Don't let loved ones shovel

- Never let an aging parent shovel.
- Shoveling increases the chance of a fall, injuries and muscle strains.

Clear the driveway regularly

- Enlist the help of a neighbor or hire a local service that will plow and shovel.
- Invest in a good snow blower.

The best comfort you can provide during the long winter months is companionship. This also gives you a chance to look for signs of depression, such as sadness, irritability, anxiety, weight loss and fatigue. If their condition seems severe, encourage them to seek treatment to relieve symptoms.

For more information, please go to
https://expertbeacon.com/safety-and-home-healthcare-tips-elderly-parents-winter/#do0.

Library News

All Ages

3rd Annual Harry Potter Book Night
Thursday, February 2, 6:30 p.m.
Harry Potter Book Night is back by popular demand! Wizards and Muggles of all ages are invited to join us in the Constitution Room for a new evening of games, snacks, crafts, costume contests and more. Tickets are required and will be available in the atrium beginning at 6 p.m.

Book Bingo!
Saturday, February 4, 2-4 p.m.
Help us celebrate the end of the Winter Reading Program with an afternoon of Book Bingo! Free for all ages. Grab a seat, a bingo card, and play for your chance to win free books.

Children's Programs

Storytimes, January 16-April 12
Registration begins January 3. Call, stop in the library, or visit our website to register.
Wonderful Ones, 9-23 months, Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.
Toddling Time, 24-35 months, Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.
Mother Goose at Night, 0-5 years old, Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.
Storytime, 3-5 years old, Mondays at 10:00 a.m. OR Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m.

Art Cart, All ages
Mondays, 6:30-8 p.m.
Drop in crafting program.

StoryFun, K4-2nd grade
Once a month program--stories and an activity.

Library Makers, 3rd-5th grade
Make something new every month, from building to crafting.

Lego Club for K5 and Older
First Saturday of each month, 2-3 p.m. Free; all Legos must remain at the library. Registration not required.

Teen Program

Friday Fun
January 20, February 17, March 17, 3:30-5:30 p.m.
Stop by to hang out with friends, play games, enjoy snacks, and do crafts.

Teen and Adult Program

Winter Reading Bingo through January 30
There is still time to read and explore the library's resources to win a Bingo and enter to win books and gift cards. Winter Reading Bingo cards are available at the Adult Information Desk and must be turned in by January 30. Winter Reading Bingo is for readers ages 12 and up.

Leisure Learners

The West Allis Public Library Leisure Learners Programs are for adults who enjoy viewing films and slideshows relating to travel, history, and other subjects of general interest. Programs are held the second and fourth Monday of each month in the Constitution Room of the West Allis Public Library. Presentations begin at 10 a.m. and last approximately one hour. See the Library newsletter for further details on topics and presenters.

Adult Programs

Straight Out of the Box
Tuesday, January 3, 6-7:30 p.m., and
Wednesday, January 4, 2-3:30 p.m.
Did you receive a new tablet, E-reader, laptop, smart phone, or other electronic device as a gift over the holidays? Is it still in the box because you are unsure how to use it? No worries! Drop by the West Allis Public Library's Straight Out of the Box electronic device help session in Study Room No. 5 in the Library. Bring the device and any power cables if necessary.

2nd Annual Wisconsin Author Fest
Saturday, March 25, 1-4 p.m.
The West Allis Public Library will be hosting local Wisconsin authors for a free afternoon of fun for readers of all ages. Meet the authors, enjoy treats and giveaways, and books available for purchase. Watch our website and Facebook page for more information. **Authors**: want to participate? Registration begins 1/3/17. Contact westallislibrary@gmail.com for more information.

DIY Kitchen Herb Garden
Tuesday, March 28, 7 p.m.
Free, do-it-yourself program about creating a simple kitchen herb garden. Participants put together their own "garden," plant herb seeds, and learn tips and tricks for getting their plants to flourish. Registration required.

Tuesday Movies at 6 p.m.
Feb. 28: Cool Runnings
March 14: The Goonies
Free movies at the library. All ages welcome; registration not necessary.

Getting Crafty
Mondays, February 27, March 6, March 20, 7 p.m.
Projects are "Clean Up" Edition, Alcohol Ink Art, and Clothespin Signs. Free sessions limited to 25 participants, ages 18+. Registration is required.

Holiday Hours/Closings

The library will be CLOSED the following days:

Saturday, December 24	Christmas Eve
Sunday, December 25	Christmas Day
Monday, December 26	Christmas Day Observed
Saturday, December 31	New Year's Eve
Sunday, January 1, 2017	New Year's Day
Monday, January 2, 2017	New Year's Day Observed

Visit www.westalliswi.gov/library or call (414) 302-8503 for additional Library news and events.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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Visit www.westalliswi.gov/jobs for current employment opportunities or sign up to be notified by email when a new position opens at www.westalliswi.gov/notifyme

Applications are available at www.westalliswi.gov or Human Resources Department, City Hall, 7525 W. Greenfield Ave., West Allis, WI 53214 (414) 302-8270

2017 Spring and Summer Employment Opportunities

Spring Temporary Laborer

The City of West Allis is recruiting for temporary laborers for its Department of Public Works/Engineering – Forestry Division, 40 hours/week (weather permitting), 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday-Friday. Applicants must have a valid WI Drivers License, possess a good driving record, and be at least 18 years of age.
(NOTE: Returning applicants must re-apply annually.)

Spring Employment: Mid-April through Mid-to Late-May

Applications will be available January 3, 2017.
DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 28, 2017, at 5:00 p.m.

Summer Laborer - Attention College Students

The City of West Allis is recruiting for summer laborers to perform a variety of manual work for the Department of Public Works/Engineering beginning on or about mid-May and ending on or about mid-August. Working 40 hours/week (weather permitting), Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. NOTE: There is also a 40 hours/week position at the West Allis City Dump (116th and Morgan), Tuesday through Friday, 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Applicants must be at least 18 years of age or a 2017 graduating senior in High School, possess a valid Wisconsin driver's license and a good driving record, AND be college bound for the fall 2017 semester.
DEADLINE: FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 2017, at 5:00 p.m.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Community Breakfast of Thanks & Giving Sponsors

Event Sponsor
Crimson Way Church
Supporting Sponsors
Hampton Inn & Suites - Milwaukee West
Quad/Graphics, Inc.
Food Pantry Sponsor
Dawes Rigging & Crane Rental, Inc.
Friend of the Foundation
B&K Bar Supplies
Bevsek-Verbick Funeral Home and Crematory
Landmark Credit Union
Robert and Joyce O'Donnell
Summit City Realty, LLC
Woman's Club of West Allis

Through these generous contributions, 11 local food pantries will receive monetary gifts to help the needy of our community during the holiday season.

West Allis Downtown Thanks You For Your Support

West Allis Downtown sends a special thank you to everyone who patronized its businesses as well as sponsored, volunteered, and attended its 2016 events in the Downtown. It's a great feeling to have community support behind our events and the changes and improvements that our organization is making. "Holiday Greetings and Best Wishes for the New Year."

The Downtown West Allis Business Improvement District is a 501c3 Non-Profit Corporation and a Main Street Community. The mission of Downtown West Allis is to build a positive image that encourages customer growth and welcomes community involvement.

Settlers Weekend Success

The West Allis Historic Commission sends thanks to everyone who made the 2016 Settlers Weekend a huge success and look forward to seeing you in 2017.
Mark August 26-27 on your calendars now!

Sign-up for E-Notify at www.westalliswi.gov/notifyme

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2017 Recycling and Yard Waste Collection Calendar

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Holiday weeks are boxed.

- Be prepared for early or delayed collection.
- Winter storms may alter schedule.
- **NO** brush collection during boxed weeks.

Spring Yard Waste Collection
April 2 - April 16

Fall Yard Waste Collection
September 17 - November 12

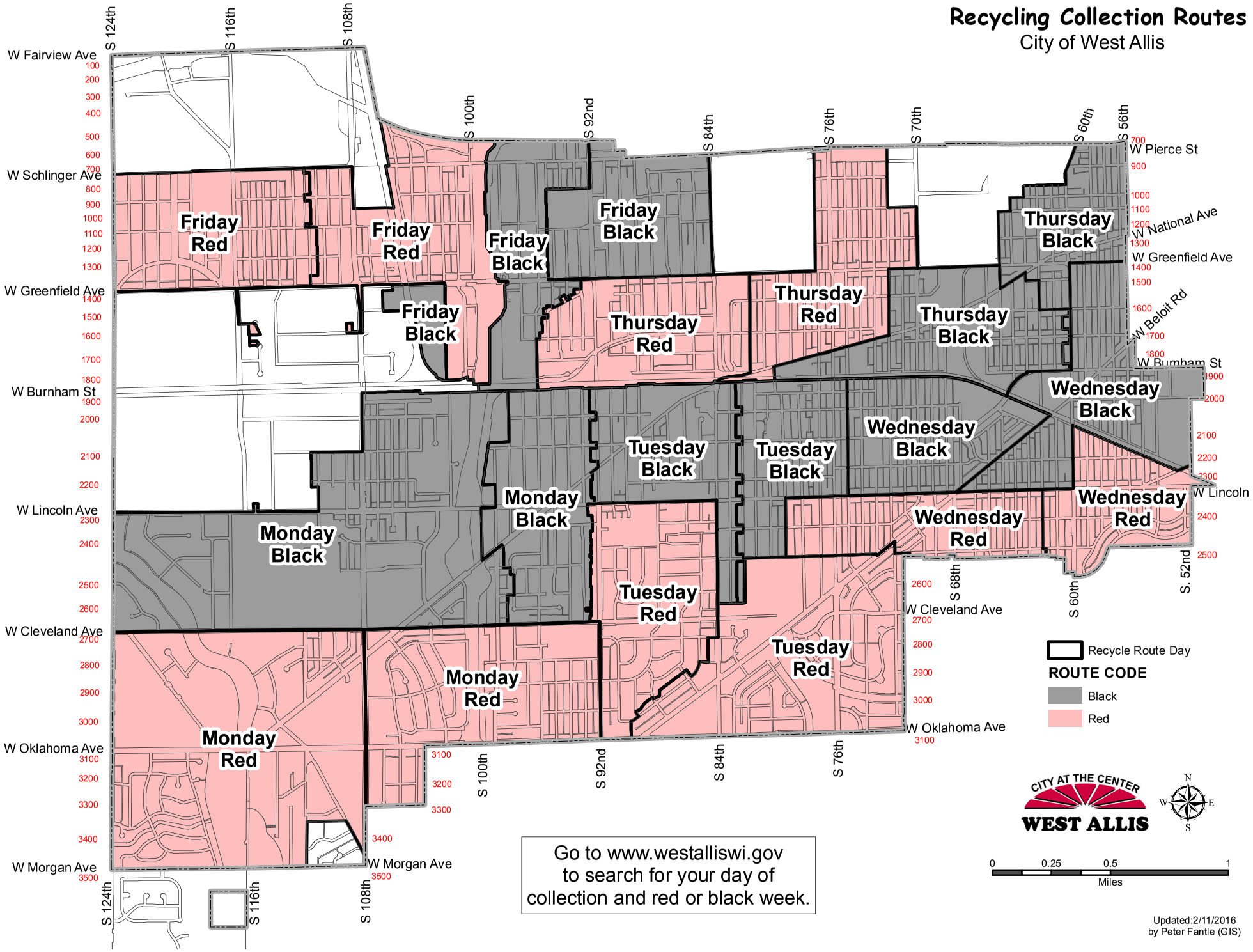
Contact Us

Monday-Friday, 7:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
Refuse Phone: 414-302-8800
Recycling Phone: 414-302-8831
Website: www.westalliswi.gov

To ask a question, express a comment or suggestion, report a concern or issue, or request a service, access the City's Online Help System 24/7 at www.westalliswi.gov/citizenservices.

Recycling Collection Routes

City of West Allis



Go to www.westalliswi.gov to search for your day of collection and red or black week.

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BUSINESS FIRST

News from THE CITY OF WEST ALLIS

Winter 2017

HEAR Wisconsin Announces the Grand Re-Opening of its Hearing Healthcare Center & Partnership with the Medical College of Wisconsin

HEAR Wisconsin, located at 10243 W. National Avenue in West Allis, celebrated the Grand Re-Opening of its interactive Hearing Healthcare Center and announced its newly-formed partnership with the Medical College of Wisconsin. Mayor Dan Devine along with West Allis/West Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce joined the celebration unveiling the renovated clinic this past October. HEAR is a nonprofit organization that provides critical services to children and adults with hearing loss.

Richard M. Phalen, Executive Director of HEAR Wisconsin Division of Communication Sciences Medical College of Wisconsin stated, "Our goal at HEAR Wisconsin over the past 90 years has been to provide services and resources for families and individuals with hearing loss." "The new Hearing Healthcare Center will provide these individuals with expert hearing health services, including professional audiologists helping those experiencing hearing loss explore all of the available communication solutions tailored to fit their lifestyle and budget," Phalen continued.

The new Hearing Healthcare Center features an Assistive Listening Device (ALD) product showroom and audiology clinic, staffed by Medical College of Wisconsin audiologists and technical experts. Visitors can experience the newest available technologies, receive personal consultations and fittings, as well as information on the most effective uses of their equipment.

Milwaukee Plumbing and Piping, Inc. has a new home!

Milwaukee Plumbing & Piping, Inc., a growing local commercial and residential plumbing and piping business, recently acquired the property at 11800 W. Greenfield Avenue. Business owners Alfred Holtz and Ed Prusak, Jr. started the business in 2005 and have steadily grown sales. The new location was built in 1967 and has 4,500 sq. ft. The business has found success in West Allis and will be moving to its third location along Greenfield Avenue since opening. The business currently has eighteen positions and will add ten new job opportunities over the next three years.

Cross-Town Connector Bike and Pedestrian Bridge

A public involvement meeting was held October 19 to share the proposed concept for a bike and pedestrian bridge over Hwy 100. The bridge represents phase 2 of a three phase West Allis Cross-Town Connector Trail project. The ultimate trail construction will eventually extend 5 miles across the city, include on-road bike routes, and link with the Hank Aaron State Trail on the west side of the VA Medical Center via S. 56 St. The proposed bridge will span 150 ft. over WIS 100. The preferred location would be adjacent to an existing Union Pacific RR overpass, which will remain in place.

Three New Park Improvements Completed

This summer and fall the City invested $1.3 million in park improvements at Liberty Heights Park (62nd & Lapham St.), Veterans Park (70th & National Ave.) and Reservoir Park (96th & Lapham St.). Each park received new playground equipment with poured-in-place rubber surfacing. Liberty Heights Park improvements also included new basketball hoops/paving, new tennis courts featuring the City's first pickleball courts and a new skate board area. In May, the City's Common Council adopted a Comprehensive Park & Outdoor Recreation Plan for 2016-2020, recommending various park improvements throughout the city. Parks provide intrinsic environmental, aesthetic, and recreation benefits to cities. They can also be a source of positive economic benefits. Long-term they enhance property values, increase municipal revenue, and attract homebuyers and workers. Park improvements may be coming to your neighborhood in the near future!

CITY AT THE CENTER
WEST ALLIS

WEST ALLIS DOWNTOWN

SHOP SMALL

Small Business Saturday

Representatives from the Milwaukee field office of the Small Business Administration (SBA), Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Senator Tammy Baldwin's office, West Allis/West Milwaukee Chamber and others visited West Allis in November to promote Small Business Saturday. The visit included meetings with local business owners to learn about their local business and how they benefited from financial support through SBA programs. Small Business Saturday is a day to celebrate and support small, local businesses and everything they do for a community. Downtown West Allis and a number of local businesses conducted special events or promotions to coincide with the Small Business Saturday event.

The SBA is often the lender of last resort for restaurants and food service businesses. In FY2016, SBA lenders made loans to 212 such businesses in Wisconsin totaling nearly $107 million, more than 15 percent of SBA loans made statewide. Several West Allis main street and area restaurants, bars and others have benefited from SBA lending and assistance, contributing to the economic and cultural vitality of the community.

Wisconsin Recognized for Small Business Activity

The Kauffman Index of Main Street Entrepreneurship for 2016 shows Wisconsin to be second in small business activity, only behind Minnesota. In 2001, Downtown West Allis was accepted into the Main Street program because of its importance to the community and the variety of unique and local businesses that align W. Greenfield Avenue. (Pictured is Colleen Volland, owner of Cream City Clay, located at 7105 W. Greenfield Avenue.)

The recently released report ranks the top 25 states for small business activity. While Wisconsin ranks very low in terms of creating new startups, the activity of those businesses, once they are created, has a big impact on the state. The second-place designation is one up from the 2015 report. See the report at http://www.kauffman.org/microsites/kauffman-index/reports/main-street.

West Allis West Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce

The Farmers Wife at 6533 W. Mitchell Street, hosted a ribbon cutting ceremony to kick off the grand opening of it's new restaurant, which features comfort foods that are local, natural and sustainable.

Designs in Marble/Tile and Stone opened a new showroom at 1520 S. 108 Street (just south of Greenfield Avenue on Hwy. 100). The showroom offers the latest in porcelain and natural stone tiles. Other surface items include a variety of styles in quartz and natural granite, including their Exclusive Stone Collection of natural stone slabs for counter tops. The business offers a wide price range to fit all consumer and commercial budgets, as well as a staff of interior designers that can assist with style selection and design options.

Fast Forward Fitness held a Grand Opening ceremony on Monday, October 10 at their brand new location at 9730 W. Greenfield Avenue.

Doors Open Milwaukee

On September 17 and 18, various West Allis sites participated in the Doors Open Milwaukee event. This annual event began in 2011, celebrating Milwaukee's art, architecture and history, offering behind-the-scene tours of more than 150 buildings throughout Milwaukee's downtown and diverse neighborhoods. In 2016, seven West Allis sites were showcased as a spotlight neighborhood. The Seneca (Wadham's) Gas Station (76th & National Ave.) was a major standout, finishing #13 of the "top sites visited" (out of 165) during the two-day event (2,162 attendees)! It also finished #3 for "top neighborhood sites." Be sure to mark your 2017 calendar for September 23 and 24, 2017 for the next Doors Open Milwaukee event. The Seneca (Wadham's) Gas Station and hopefully other historic West Allis buildings will be on the list!

West Allis-West Milwaukee School District

NEWSLETTER

Winter 2016

Sign Up to Stay Informed!

The West Allis-West Milwaukee School District now distributes a monthly online newsletter. **Click here** and sign up to receive district news and updates delivered to your email inbox.

United Way Campaign

This fall, our United Way Campaign involved reaching out to district staff, teachers, students, community members, and City of West Allis employees. Many of our staff and students participated in "A Special Day for United Way" by doing a high-interest, fun activity to raise funds for our campaign. Our total contribution was $13,088, up 30 percent from last year! We are thankful to everyone that selected the West Allis-West Milwaukee School District Education Foundation when contributing to United Way. The funds raised greatly benefit the teachers and students in our schools.

West Allis Woman's Club "Fall Harvest of Books"

Members of the West Allis Woman's Club visited 4K classrooms at Horace Mann Elementary and Pershing Elementary for their annual Fall Harvest of Books. The Woman's Club read a book to all classes and then helped students choose a book to take home and keep. They mentioned the importance of reading and also stressed how important it was to take care of their books. Each book had a label which said "This Book is Just for You! The West Allis Woman's Club." The Woman's Club delivered over 300 books to our schools, including extra books for each teacher to use throughout the school year for the students.

High School Preview Nights for Incoming Freshman

West Allis Central High School and Nathan Hale High School invite incoming freshman along with parent/ guardians to attend their 9th Grade Preview Night in January. Please visit our **district website** to verify your high school attendance area.

West Allis Central 9th Grade Preview Night	**Nathan Hale 9th Grade Preview Night**
Wednesday, January 18, 2016	Wednesday, January 25, 2016
6:30 p.m.— 8:30 p.m.	6:30 p.m.— 8:30 p.m.

Register for WAWM Recreation Activities

Registration for Winter/Spring activities has started. Keep warm, keep moving, keep social, keep busy this winter, we offer something for everyone. If you have any questions or if you are new to our programs, visit our website at **www.wawmrec.com** or please call our office at (414) 604-4925 for class recommendations. We look forward to seeing you this Winter and Spring.

West Allis Central's *The Addams Family* earns 14 Tommy Award nominations!

At the beginning of the 2016-17 school year, Central's musical production team entered into the Tommy Awards program with the goal of gaining professional feedback, exposing the program to the local theater community, and giving students opportunities to compete against some of the state's most talented high school students in theater. We are proud to announce that West Allis Central High School's recent production of *The Addams Family* has earned **14 Tommy Award nominations**!

The production involved support of volunteers, parents, school board members, staff, students, and the community. It truly embodied a spirit of collaboration, teamwork, problem-solving, and pushing the boundaries of what students thought they could do. Throughout the preparation and rehearsals, students did not see themselves as "Bulldogs" or "Huskies," but as a tight, cohesive unit that is now being recognized with 14 Tommy Awards for their talent and dedication.

School Food Drives

Many WAWM schools have organized food drives to help our families, local food banks, and those in need during the holiday season. We are thankful for the generosity of our staff, students, and families and hope that the donations will be put to good use throughout the holiday season.

Nathan Hale High School's Musical *The Fantasticks*

Nathan Hale Husky Drama presents *The Fantasticks*, a beautiful musical about life, love, and the choices we make. Performance dates are December 16 and 17, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are sold at the door, starting one hour before each performance. For more information, visit **www.halehuskydrama.com**.

Youth Feeder Team Programming

Prior to Neighborhood School Attendance Areas, our High School Coaches were restricted in their ability to work with young athletes as their involvement could be seen as recruitment. Now, High School Coaches, Athletic Directors, Youth Board/Advisors, and district administrators are working together to provide young athletes with feeder team programming that will…

- Serve as a foundation for building strong relationships with coaches and classmates.
- Prepare students for competition at the high school level.
- Instill high school pride in young athletes.

Learn more about feeder team programs by visiting our high school websites or call the Recreation Department at (414) 604-4900.

WAWM Community Coalition Highlights 2016

West Allis • West Milwaukee Community Coalition
Powerful Voices, Positive Choices

2017

Coalition Meetings

Wednesdays

5:00pm-6:30pm

January 18th
WAPD Substation

May 17th
Apostle Presbyterian Church

September 20th
WAWM School District Administration Building

November 15th
WM Community Center

Light and Unite Red campaign

Safe and Sober at Nathan Hale

Peers with Purpose Presentation

January 2016

The Coalition Highlights and Focus on Heroin inserts were included in the West Allis city newsletter and reached 32,000 community members.

The Coalition offered educational information and other resources at 19 presentations, community events and health fairs in 2016.

The Coalition and its partners also participated in Milwaukee County's Light and Unite Red campaign putting a spotlight on the dangers of substance abuse and uniting the community to engage in prevention, encourage treatment and support recovery.

February and March 2016

Twenty-seven students representing Central, Hale and the Learning Center, were trained as peer educators for the Peers with Purpose program. They presented to all seventh grade students in the district in February, March and April.

Students at West Allis Central High School created a display for ninth grade orientation to recruit new youth members for the Coalition.

April 2016

The 7th Annual Safe and Sober program was held at Nathan Hale High School with over 200 parents and students in attendance. The program highlighted information for parents and students on making positive choices and having a safe prom, graduation and summer. The Parents Who Host, Lose the Most campaign was also launched.

Students from Shared Journeys presented to the entire freshman class about risky behaviors and the reality of being a teen parent. The students also highlighted the impact of alcohol and drug use and second and third hand smoke for a booth at the WIC and immunization clinics at the West Allis Health Department.

The peer educators delivered the Peers with Purpose program to 453 seventh grade students at Frank Lloyd Wright, Lincoln, Lane and West Milwaukee Intermediate Schools.

The Latino Health Fair promoted healthy living through a healthy food demonstration, tables with community vendors, Zumba and a presentation in Spanish about alcohol awareness and not hosting youth parties with alcohol. Spanish language Parents Who Host, Lose the Most signs were distributed to the 80 people who attended. Mark your calendars for the next annual event – March 25, 2017.

A Mayoral Proclamation in West Allis and a Village Proclamation in West Milwaukee announced April as Alcohol Awareness Month. Among the many activities during the month were; a display in the West Allis Library lobby designed by the students from Shared Journeys, school wide announcements, bulletin boards and flyers by youth members at Central and Hale and weekly tweets and posts on Facebook.

Impact Day was held at Central and Hale before prom to remind students to stay safe during prom, graduation and the summer. "Victims" chosen during the school day to remain silent, illustrated the 36 people killed every day in the US by drunk and distracted driving. Students at Hale used a skeleton display to make the point that using alcohol can be a very dangerous choice. The display was placed where tickets to Prom were being sold. Both high schools also held a Wear White Day in remembrance of those lost to drunk driving.

Impact Day

WI Substance Abuse Prevention Training

Rotary Presentation

Senior Safety Talk

For more information about how to become a Friend or Partner of the Coalition, visit our website at www.wawmcc.org

May 2016

The May Coalition meeting featured presentations from all four youth groups, some fun rounds of Jeopardy and a delicious dinner prepared by meeting hosts Apostle Presbyterian Church.

WAWMCC members shared their expertise at the WI Partners in Substance Abuse Prevention Training. WAPD Corporal Rod Nelson was on a panel about impacting and preventing Rx drug misuse, sharing information about the senior safety talks conducted in the community. Another session was led by the WAWMCC Evaluator and highlighted successes in implementing SBIRT (Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment) in WAWM schools. SBIRT was conducted at Central and Hale with 474 ninth graders screened. Every student screened received positive reinforcement for their decisions and actions regarding drug and alcohol use.

Coalition youth members presented at a Rotary meeting demonstrating the Jeopardy Game and sharing Coalition prevention materials.

Summer 2016

Youth members of the Coalition continued their involvement with CAAD including volunteering at Tuesday in the Park where they made an announcement welcoming families and reminding them that most youth are not involved with alcohol and drugs.

Thousands attended the West Allis and West Milwaukee National Night Out events. The Coalition provided prevention literature, reusable bags, temporary tattoos and magnets to attendees. Youth members from Central, Hale and the Learning Center used the Jeopardy Game designed with questions about underage alcohol and drug prevention to interact with and educate the community.

September 2016

The 8th Annual Safe and Sober program was held at Nathan Hale High School with 200 parents and students attending.

The West Allis Police Department continued safety talks at senior and assisted living centers in the community. These talks highlight safety issues including proper disposal and storage of prescription medications and a medication collection.

October 2016

Youth members of the Coalition celebrated Red Ribbon Week by tying red ribbons on trees at Hale and Central and designing yard signs to bring attention to the national campaign to raise awareness about making drug-free choices. Students at both schools also chose a day to promote wearing red to show their support of the Red Ribbon message, The Best Me is Drug Free. They gave out treats to hundreds of students who wore red in support of this message.

November 2016

Awards were presented at the Coalition Meeting to the West Allis Health Department and Ron Hayward, West Milwaukee Village President, for their partnerships with the Coalition in community initiatives to keep youth healthy and drug free.

December 2016

Recognition was given to Citlali Mendieta-Ramos, owner of Antigua Mexican and Latin American Restaurant, and Brian and Renee Shecterle, owners/operators, of the Culver's in West Allis for their continued support of the Coalition and the quarterly meetings.

WAWMCC thanks the Coalition Partners and Friends for their support of the Coalition and its mission to reduce underage substance abuse and help the West Allis-West Milwaukee community raise healthy, drug-free children.

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