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Rep. García, Senators Durbin Introduce Bipartisan Legislation to Protect Children from Lead Poisoning



Representative Jesús Senate "Chuy" García (IL-04), Dick D

Senate Majority Whip Dick Durbin (D-IL) and

Senator Todd Young (R-IN) introduced the *Lead*-

Safe Housing for Kids Act, which would require the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to update its lead poisoning prevention measures to reflect modern science and ensure that families and children living in federally-assisted housing are protected from the devastating consequences of lead poisoning. Lead hazards in a home pose serious health and safety threats. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), lead hazards such as dust and chips from deteriorated leadbased paint are the most common source of lead exposure for U.S. children. A 2021 survey conducted by the U.S. Department

of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) found that lead-based paint is in 34.6 million U.S. homes, 89 percent of which were built before 1978—the year leadbased paint use in housing was banned in the United States. Left unaddressed, lead poisoning can cause long-term and irreversible health, neurological, and behavioral problems in children. Specifically, the *Lead-Safe Housing for* Kids Act would ensure that families and children living in federally assisted housing are protected from the devastating consequences of lead poisoning by adopting prevention primary to protect measures children in low-income housing, including:

•Prohibiting the use of visual assessments for low-income housing constructed prior to 1978 and require the use of risk assessments, a more accurate evaluation tool to identify lead hazards, before a family moves into the home;

•Providing a process for families to relocate on an emergency basis, without penalty or the loss of assistance, if a lead hazard is identified in the home and the landlord fails to control the hazard within 30 days of being notified of the presence of lead; and

•Requiring landlords to disclose the presence of lead if lead hazards are found in the home.



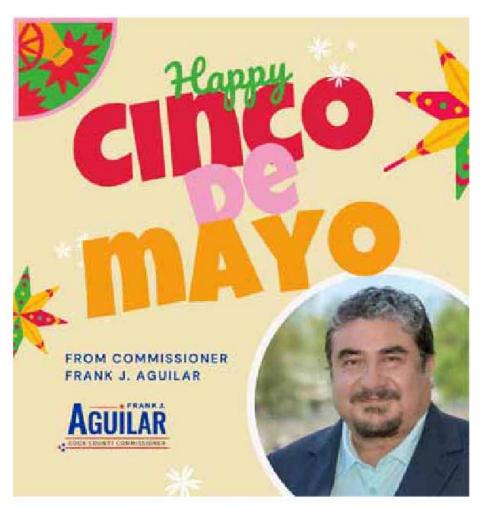
Cook County Health's Correctional Health Program at Cook County Jail Accredited for Quality Health Care Services



Cook County Health's (CCH) Cermak Health Services has earned accreditation from the National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) for demonstrating full compliance with NCCHC's nationally recognized standards of care for correctional health services in jails. Cermak Health Services was recognized for its ongoing commitment to providing quality health services for the patients at Cook County Jail. NCCHC accreditation

is a voluntary process. CCH's correctional health program was last accredited by NCCHC in 2009. The largest single-site correctional health service in the country, Cermak Health Services has led the way in developing innovative care models to improve correctional health care, offering patients comprehensive primary care, specialty care, dental care, mental health services, rehabilitative care, a pharmacy, and an infirmary. To earn NCCHC

accreditation, Cermak Health Services underwent a rigorous professional assessment during the summer of 2023. During the assessment, a team of experienced physicians and experts in correctional health care surveyed the facility for compliance with jail-specific standards in several areas such as patient care and treatment, health promotion, safety and disease prevention, governance administration, personnel and training, special needs and services, and medicallegal issues. Cermak Health Services operates the only Certified Opioid Treatment Program in a correctional facility in the State of Illinois, which was re-certified in 2023. Cermak Health Services was also nominated as a Substance Use/Misuse Center of Excellence Program by NCCHC.



New UIC Data: How Illinois Benefits When Immigrants Get Health Coverage



Public funding of healthcare coverage for the uninsured pays for itself in a panoply of benefits that reach well beyond the individuals who receive such assistance. A review of data by the Great Cities Institute at the University of Illinois Chicago research brief. commissioned by the Healthy Illinois Campaign and released at a symposium at the North Lawndale Employment Network offices, shows how two state programs for the uninsured bolster the significant contribution of non-citizen immigrants individuals to the state's economy and its tax base. The campaign aims to

maintain funding for two existing programs, Health Benefits for Immigrant Adults and Health Benefits for Immigrant **Seniors**, which fill gaps in coverage by targeting Illinois residents who would otherwise qualify for federal Medicaid but are ineligible due to their immigration status. The recent cuts to these programs hurt not only individuals who can't get coverage, but their children, their families and the communities where they live. The fact sheet findings include:

•Immigrants Work: U.S. citizen adults aged 19-64, had an employment rate

of 95.4 percent, while the employment rate for noncitizens in that age range was 96.5 percent.

•Immigrants Pay Taxes: Immigrant-led households in Illinois had \$54.9 billion in spending power in 2021, paying \$8.6 billion in state and local taxes and \$13.1 billion in federal taxes.

•Productivity Rises: After the 2010 Affordable Care Act expansion of Medicaid, new recipients reported an 8 percent decrease in the number of workdays missed due to poor health. For more information please go to healthyillinoiscampaign.



Chicago Teens Can Apply for After School Matters® Summer Programs



After School Matters' summer session application is open, offering thousands of Chicago teens the opportunity to apply to hundreds of programs in the arts, communications and leadership, sports, and STEM. Programs begin June 24, run for six weeks, and will take place inperson at locations across the city like libraries, parks, After School Matters facilities, and communitybased organizations. Teens interested in applying can

visit afterschoolmatters. org. It's free to participate in After School Matters programs, and teens earn money for their participation. While the amount earned varies depending on age and level of expertise, this summer teens ages 16-20 will earn \$15.80/hour in alignment with the City of Chicago's One Summer Chicago (OSC). All After School Matters programs are free and open to Chicago high school students who are

at least 14 years old by September 1, 2024. As part of the application process, teens interview with program instructors to discuss their interests. Teens are encouraged to apply early, as program opportunities fill up quickly. For questions about programs and applications, call 312-742-4182 or applications@ email afterschoolmatters. org. For more information, visit www. afterschoolmatters.org.

Dominican University Honored by Three Higher Education, Immigrant Rights Organizations with Inaugural SUCCESS Award



Dominican University's ongoing commitment to supporting undocumented students has earned the institution high regards from a trio of higher education and immigrant rights organizations. TheDream.US, Presidents' Alliance on Higher Education and Immigration, and Immigrants Rising honored Dominican during their

SUCCESS inaugural awards ceremony in late March. The first-year event recognized committed institutions, student advocates, and higher education leaders who are supporting undocumented students' access and success on their campuses and beyond. Dominican University is one of the first universities in the country to publicly welcome and

support students regardless of documentation and immigration status. Dominican prides itself on providing a campus climate and an academic experience that promotes the security and wellbeing of all persons, especially those who are underrepresented and struggling for voice and opportunity. Dominican specifically earned the SUCCESS award for its efforts developing Non-Employment Based Opportunities (NEBO) for students and "working across many departments to ensure their development implementation." Non-Employment Based Opportunities are inclusive, on-campus learning experiential opportunities open to all students at Dominican.



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Cook County Health Celebrates the Launch of New Robotic Surgery Program



Cook County Health cut the ribbon on its Intuitive Vinci® surgical system, celebrating the health system's new robotic surgery program. Robotic-assisted surgery allows surgeons to perform many different complex procedures with more flexibility. The process is often less invasive than traditional surgery because it is performed through smaller incisions. Cook County Health will use the da Vinci® surgical system to perform general, cardiothoracic, colorectal, head & neck,

gynecological and urologic surgeries at John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital. The robotic surgery program represents an \$11 million investment over seven years to bring the latest surgical technology to Cook County Health. There are many benefits to robotic surgery over traditional surgical methods. Robotic surgery enables surgeons to perform complex surgeries through very small incisions, resulting in:

- •Less blood loss during the procedure
- •Less pain after the procedure

- •Less scarring and fewer complications
- •Shorter recovery time In 2023, more than 10,000 surgeries were performed at Stroger Hospital. Cook County Health expects to perform more than 500 robotic-assisted surgeries this year, with plans to continue to grow the program year-over-year. For more information about Cook County Health's robotic surgery program, visit https:// cookcountyhealth.org/ robotic-assisted-surgery/.

Photo Credit: Cook County Health



Forest Preserves Launches \$10M Palos Preserves Trail and Restoration Project

The Forest Preserves of Cook County has broken ground on its largest ecological restoration project ever, a multi-year initiative that will also reconstruct and improve portions of the most extensive trail system in the Forest Preserves. Funded by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, the \$10 million Swallow Cliff and Palos Trail System Infrastructure Improvements project will restore approximately 1,100 acres of natural land, mitigate erosion and upgrade accessibility and

wayfinding markers on the trails. The Palos Preserves cover 15,000 acres, the largest contiguous area in the Forest Preserves of Cook County and the same size as the Indiana Dunes National Park. The site includes the Swallow Cliff stairs, Camp Bullfrog Lake, Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Maple Lake boathouse, and the largest Urban Night Sky Place in the world. The 78 miles of trails in the Palos Preserves has been ranked as a top ten hiking destinations in Illinois by

Trip Advisor and includes more than 24 miles of single-track mountain biking opportunities. For the trails, restoration during the project will address erosion in the area's ravines and hills and improve sight lines and the natural experience for trail users. Funding for Swallow Cliff and Palos Trail System Infrastructure Improvements project is provided by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity and made possible through Build Illinois bond funds. Photo Credit: Forest **Preserves of Cook County**



LEGAL NOTICE/ NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED 2024-2025 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

TOWNSHIP OF BERWYN PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICT COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

The Berwyn Township Public Health District (BPHD) announces that the proposed 2024-2025 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance is posted and available for inspection on its website at https://berwyntownship.org.

You may also request a copy of the proposed Budget and Appropriation Ordinance by contacting BPHD Secretary Margaret Paul at 708-749-6451 or Mpaul@ci.berwyn.il.us. If requesting a copy of the proposed budget by U.S. mail, please send your request to:

Margaret Paul, BPHD Secretary 6700 W. 26th St. Berwyn, IL 60402

NOTICE is further given that the Berwyn Township Public Health District will hold a **Public Hearing** on the proposed 2024-2025 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance at **3:45 p.m. on Monday, June 10, 2024** in the First Floor Conference Room of the Berwyn Health District Building located at 6600 W. 26th Street, Berwyn, Illinois 60402.

The Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be placed on the BPHD Regular Meeting Agenda for June 10, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. at the same location at which time the BPHD Board of Directors will take final action on the ordinance.

Dated: April 22, 2024 Margaret Paul, BPHD Treasurer



LEGAL NOTICE/ PUBLIC HEARING TOWNSHIP OF BERWYN, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Proposed Budget and Appropriation Ordinance Availability and NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Berwyn Township Board of Trustees announces that the 2024-2025 proposed Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Berwyn Township Town Fund, General Assistance Fund, and Township Assessor's Budget is available for inspection on the Township website at: https://berwyntownship.org.

You may also request a copy of the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance by contacting Berwyn Township Clerk Margaret Paul at 708-749-6451 or by email to: Mpaul@ci.berwyn.il.us. If requesting a copy of the proposed budget by U.S. mail, please send your request to:

Clerk Margaret Paul 6700 W. 26th St. Berwyn, IL 60402

NOTICE is further given that Berwyn Township will hold a **Public Hearing** on the proposed 2024-2025 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Berwyn Town Fund, General Assistance Fund and Township Assessor's Budget at **5:45 p.m. on Monday**, **JUNE 10, 2024.** The Public Hearing will be held at the Township's offices located at 6600 W. 26th Street, Berwyn, II. in the 1st floor conference room. The Town Board of Trustees will vote on the Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance at the Regular Town Meeting to be held on June 10, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at the same location.

Dated: April 22, 2024 Margaret Paul, Township Clerk

National Small Business Week Spotlights Contributions of Small Businesses



Chicago The Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection (BACP) announced recent business support enhancements and initiatives ahead of National Small Business Week (NSBW). This year, NSBW takes place through May 4th and recognizes the hard work, ingenuity, and contributions to the economy of small business

owners. NSBW, sponsored by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), acknowledges the critical contributions of entrepreneurs and small business owners. BACP recent efforts include:

•Increasing transparency by displaying live in-person service wait times at the Small Business Center: Businesses can now see live in-person service wait times at the Small Business Center online. The live-updated readout provides businesses with the predictability they need when coming to the Center for licensing services. Wait times are also displayed on a screen in the Small Business Center. See live wait times on the "Visit Us" button at Chicago.gov/BusinessLicensing.

•Offering a remote queuing system for in-person visits to the Small Business Center: Businesses can now get a place in line to meet with a business consultant at the Small Business Center from the comfort of their phone or computer. Services tickets are also provided onsite. To get in line, visit Chicago.gov/

BusinessLicensing.

•Hosting webinars: BACP will conduct webinars to provide indepth information on various business topics, offering a platform for Q&A sessions.

In recognition of NSBW, BACP will hold educational webinars. To learn more and to register for a webinar, visit Chicago.

gov/BACPWebinars.

•Thursday, May 2nd at 10:00 a.m.: Access Capital to Buy or Renovate Your Small presented by SomerCor.

•Friday, May 3rd at 9:30 a.m.: Building on America's Small Business Boom presented by the U.S. SBA.

Learn more about by visiting <u>Chicago.gov/</u>BACP.





City of Chicago Announces Launch of Second Round of Applications for the Community Growers Program



Mayor Brandon Johnson, the Chicago Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection (BACP), and program partner agency NeighborSpace, announced the application opening for the second round of the City's Community Growers Program. Through this program, BACP and NeighborSpace are reducing the barriers to urban agriculture by supporting urban growers

with access to resources to build long-term urban agriculture sites and technical support. Urban growers interested in applying to participate in the program in this second round can do so through June 30th, 2024, by visiting Neighbor-Space. org. NeighborSpace is managing the application review and selection process. NeighborSpace is collaborating with the following partner

agencies to implement this program: Chicago Food Policy Action Committee (CFPAC), Community Food Navigator, DePaul Steans Center, Grow Englewood. Greater Advocates for Urban Agriculture, Urban Growers Collective, and Windy City Harvest. The Community Growers Program, designed in partnership with the City of Chicago Food Equity Council, is a \$2 million investment in urban agriculture with the goal to increase food equity in communities with a history of disinvestment by encouraging the development of urban agriculture sites by local growers. To learn more about the Community Growers Program and BACP's Recovery Plan efforts, please visit Chicago. gov/BACPRecoveryPlan.

La Ciudad de Chicago Anuncia el Lanzamiento de la Segunda Ronda de Solicitudes para el Programa de Community Growers



ticipación en el programa en esta segunda ronda, pueden hacerlo hasta el 30 de junio del 2024, visitando Neighbor-Space. org. NeighborSpace está administrando la revisión de la solicitud y el proceso de selección. Neighbor-Space está colaborando con las siguientes agencias afiliadas para implementar este programa: Chicago Food Policy Action Committee (CFPAC), Community Food Navigator, DePaul Steans Center, Grow Greater Englewood, Advocates for Urban Agriculture, Urban Growers Collective y Windy City Harvest. El Programa

Community Growers diseñado en afiliación con el Concilio de Equidad en la Comida de la Ciudad de Chicago, es una inversión de \$2 millones en agricultura urbana con la meta de aumentar la equidad en comida en comunidades con historia de desinversión, exhortando el desarrollo de los sitios de agricultura urbana por los productores locales. Para más información sobre el Programa Community Growers v los esfuerzos del Plan de Recuperación de BACP, visite Chicago. gov/BACPRecoveryPlan.









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and Urban Development through the 202/section 8 Program. Residents pay approximately 30% of their monthly income for rent. For additional information please visit our website at www.oakparkha.org or contact us at 708-386-5812.



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