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Come to the Local School Council Meeting Tomorrow Night

Tuesday February 7th,
Lincoln Elementary School
the Library, 6:00pm

There will be a CPS representative present to discuss short-term solutions to Lincoln Elementary's overcrowding.

Help Out the 'Have a Heart Breakfast Food Drive'

Lincoln Park Community Shelter is partnering with local businesses for a food drive! Drop something off at any of these businesses! Some of these businesses even offer a discount with a donation. For more information, click here.

Get Involved With Your Local School Council

The deadline for running for your LSC is fast approaching!

If you are a parent, community member, or teacher who wants to strengthen local schools and have a positive impact on student achievement, you should run. For more information and to apply, check out the Local School Council Election Guide available at all schools and [online](#).

Original nomination forms are due in schools March 8 by 3:00pm

The LSC Election Dates:

Elementary Schools : April 18th, from 6:00am-7:00pm
and

High Schools: April 19th, from 6:00am-7:00pm

Our Office Closed 2/13

We are closed for Lincoln's Birthday Monday, February 13th.



43rd Ward Office
2523 N. Halsted
www.ward43.org

Office Hours:
Monday
9 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Life Safety Ordinance Update

The Emanuel Administration announced today that information on the Life Safety Evaluation (LSE) status for hundreds of high-rise residential buildings will be made available online. Starting this afternoon, residents will be able to search for specific residential buildings required to submit an LSE report in order to identify their status at data.cityofchicago.org. The information will be updated monthly.

Tuesday-Thursday
9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Friday
9 a.m.-12 p.m. & 2 p.m.-6 p.m.

Contact us:
phone
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The Chicago Life Safety Ordinance was passed in 2004 to improve fire safety standards in high-rise buildings eight stories or higher. Because the Chicago building code has since 1975 required new high-rise residential buildings to be constructed with sprinkler systems, the Life Safety Ordinance mostly impacted high-rise residential buildings constructed prior to 1975. It requires owners of these pre-1975 buildings to file a report, called the Life Safety Evaluation, which provides information on the current life safety elements of the building as well as any plans needed to meet requirements for fire safety. For more information click [here](#).

Get Your Senior Sewer Rebates In By March 1st!

The City of Chicago provides a \$50 annual refund to seniors on their sewer bills. The following are the requirements that must be met in order to be eligible for the Senior Sewer Rebate:

- You must be 65 years of age, or older, as of January 1 for the year you are applying.
- You must be the sole owner, owner in joint tenancy, or tenancy in common of the property.
- You must occupy the property as your principal place of residence.
- You must own a townhouse, condominium unit, or cooperative apartment that shares a common water bill.
- Residents who have previously participated should expect to receive their renewal application from the Committee on Finance.

Follow these links for [additional information](#) and the [online application](#).

Mail the application and supporting documentation to:

Alderman Michele Smith, 43rd Ward
2523 N. Halsted
Chicago, IL 60614

If you have any questions regarding Senior Sewer Rebates, please contact my office at 773- 348-9500, or [e-mail](#) us. Additional information can be found at [the Committee on Finance website](#).

Sincerely,



43rd Ward Alderman Michele Smith

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