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Greetings Residents and Friends,

The Village of Broadview continues to demonstrate sound financial management and a clear vision for the future. As of the end of FY22, the Village's net position increased by \$4.0 million, reflecting a 37.2% growth. Additionally, the General Fund balance stood at \$5.0 million, positioning Broadview for sustained fiscal success.

This past Tuesday, Trustee Jarry Shelby, Chairwoman of the Finance Committee, hosted a finance committee meeting to discuss the Village's financial health and initiatives. The meeting highlighted the Village's strong commitment to fiscal responsibility, with exciting projections indicating that the current surplus is set to double in the coming years, a testament to careful and strategic management.

### **The Village's Key Priorities:**

1. Ensuring Fiscal Responsibility Across Departments: Budgets are carefully monitored to ensure all spending aligns with the Village's goals and community priorities.
2. Spending Within Our Means: The Village avoids unnecessary expenses while prioritizing investments in programs and services that directly benefit residents.
3. Serving with Excellence: Efforts are focused on continually enhancing services to meet the needs of Broadview residents efficiently and with the highest quality.

### **Planning for the Future**

The Village is also making strides toward long-term growth and development with the creation of a 20-Year Comprehensive Plan. This initiative will serve as a roadmap for Broadview's future, focusing on sustainable progress, community engagement, and shared prosperity. Residents are encouraged to stay engaged as the draft plan will be available for review in late January or early February.

## **A Collaborative Approach**

The Finance Committee and the Village Board are committed to ensuring that Broadview remains fiscally strong while advancing community-driven initiatives. The input and support of residents play a critical role in shaping this vision, emphasizing that your voices are central to our success.

Thank you for your continued engagement and collaboration as we work together to build a stronger, more prosperous Broadview. Stay tuned for updates and opportunities to contribute to the comprehensive plan, and let's continue to move forward with clarity, purpose, and unity!

Love and Kindness,

Mayor Katrina Thompson

## **An Amazing Journey to Ghana: History, Connections, and Opportunities**

My recent trip to Ghana was simply amazing! Traveling alongside Broadview resident Moses Shelton and 15 others from around Proviso Township, this experience was as educational as it was transformative.

This journey provided us with a deeper understanding of Ghana's rich culture and history, while also offering the opportunity to connect with government officials and explore economic business opportunities that could benefit Broadview. One of the most impactful moments of the trip was visiting The Door of No Return at the Cape Coast Castle. Standing in that space, reflecting on the immense history of our ancestors, was a powerful and emotional experience that underscored the resilience and strength of our shared heritage.

In addition to honoring the past, the trip was forward-thinking. We engaged in conversations about potential partnerships in agriculture, textiles, and other industries that could create pathways for growth and collaboration between Broadview and Ghana. The discussions with local leaders and business owners highlighted Ghana's thriving entrepreneurial spirit and the possibilities for meaningful economic exchanges.

I am excited to share these experiences and explore how we can use them to further strengthen our community. Stay tuned for details about a post-trip community meeting, where we'll reflect on the journey, discuss the lessons learned, and consider actionable steps to bring these opportunities to life in Broadview.

This trip was a reminder of the importance of connecting with our roots while building a future filled with possibilities. I look forward to sharing this incredible journey with you all and working together to make a difference!







## INDOOR AIR QUALITY SENSORY PROJECT



Mayor Katrina Thompson and Mayor Andre Harvey  
are excited to announce:

# Breathe Easy

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH

Paul Francisco and the  
Champaign County Regional Planning Commission

This partnership will provide  
80 residents across the  
Village of Broadview and  
the Village of Bellwood,  
with indoor air quality monitors  
at no cost, to assist in analyzing  
the quality of air in their homes,  
while providing guidance in real  
time on steps to eliminate harmful  
indoor air contaminants.

For more information, please attend  
the "Breathe Easy" community  
information session:

Date: December 18, 2024

Location: The Village of Broadview  
2350 S. 25th Ave.  
Broadview, IL 60155

Time: 11am -12:30pm





# HOLIDAY PAJAMA *Jam*

DECEMBER 18, 2024 @ 5:30 P.M.

Join us for a festive and cozy Holiday Pajama Jam. Slip into your favorite PJs and get ready for a time of holiday cheer and fun! There will be food, games, cookie decorating and caroling into the night.



**Broadview Public Library District**

*Community-centered, world-focused learning in the heart of Broadview*

# PROVISO TOWNSHIP HANDYMAN PROGRAM



\*Bellwood \* Berkeley \* Broadview \* Brookfield \* Forest Park \* Hillside  
\*LaGrange Park \* Maywood \* Melrose Park \* Northlake \* North Riverside  
\* Stone Park \* Westchester \* Western Springs

\*Only Homeowners within the boundaries of Proviso Township.

Handyman Program for homeowners  
over the age of 60 and/or disabled  
residents of Proviso Township

- Minor repairs only
- **\$5.00** per visit plus the cost of parts, if needed
- Provide referrals on a variety of home maintenance issues
- Appointments are **45 minutes or less**

Please call us if you have any questions and schedule your  
appointment at **708-547-4001**

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Blinds/Curtain Rods - Install/Repair	Mailboxes - Install/Repair/Replace
Boxes Stored (50 lbs. limit)	Outdoor Furniture - Put Away/Take Out (small items)
Carpentry-Minor repairs i.e.: Replace loose/rotten boards	Outdoor Lighting - Repair or Replace (Height Limit of 6 feet)
Caulking - Minor interior only - No removal of existing caulk	Outdoor Water Spigot - Shut Off/Turn On
Ceiling Fans - Repair Switches Only	Picture - Hang Only
Decks - Minor Repairs Only	Referrals for Tradesperson - Referrals Only Not Recommendations
Doorbells - Repair/Replace Buttons	Screens - Put In/Take Out (Limit 6 feet)
Door Locks - Repair/Replace	Shower Heads - Repair/Replace/Install
Door Sweeps - Repair/Replace/Install	Shower Wands - Repair/Replace/Install
Doors - Repair/Replace Hinges	Sink Drains Pipes & Stoppers - Repair or Replace
Electrical Outlets & Switches - Replace	Smoke Detectors/CO Detectors - Install or Replace Batteries
Electrical GFCI Outlets - Replace & Install	Storm Doors - Repair (No Installations)
Kitchen and Bathroom Faucets - Repair or Replace <b>No Tub faucets</b>	Storm Windows - Put In/Take Out (Limit 6 feet)
Furniture Assembly (Small pieces only) (no IKEA)	Supply Valves - Replace, Kitchen & Bath Only
Furniture Moving - 50 lbs. limit	Threshold - Repairs & Replacement
Furniture Repair - Minor Only	Toilets - Minor Repairs - <b>No Rodding</b>
Grab Bars - Install or Replace	TV/TV Converter Box - Install & Program (NO Comcast)
Handrails - Install or Replace	Weather Stripping - Doors & Windows
Light Bulbs - Change	
Light Fixtures - Repair or Replace	



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Proviso Handyman Services



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# GHANA TRIP RECAP



## HOSTED BY:

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Mayor of Broadview

Miguel Jones  
Village Trustee of Maywood

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Keynect Global

## LOCATION:

Broadview Village Hall  
2350 S. 25th Ave.  
Broadview, IL

## AGENDA

- See photos and videos from Proviso Travels trip to Ghana
- Attendees share their experience in Ghana
- Community Q/A
- Learn about upcoming Proviso Travels community trips!
- Raffle to win trip gift certificate



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## Transparency and Information: Building Trust in Our Village

In our village, we believe that clear and open communication is the foundation of trust. Transparency is not just a value, it's a commitment to ensuring that every resident has access to accurate, timely, and trustworthy information about our community and its governance. Misinformation can easily distort perceptions and influence decisions, which is why it's more important than ever to stay informed through credible sources. We encourage all residents to take an active role in staying engaged by:

- Asking Questions: Don't hesitate to reach out to us with concerns or clarifications. Your voice matters.
- Seeking Clarifications: If something is unclear, we are here to provide the answers you need.
- Participating in Discussions: Join our community conversations to share your ideas, ask

questions, and stay informed.

To ensure transparency, all Village meetings are accessible on our Village YouTube page. This allows every resident the opportunity to view discussions, decisions, and updates at their convenience, reinforcing our commitment to accountability.

Our goal is to make sure every resident feels confident in the integrity of our electoral process and the work being done on their behalf. Together, we can foster a community built on trust, understanding, and active engagement. Thank you for being part of the conversation as we continue to move forward with clarity and purpose.



# #BROADVIEWSTRONG

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