



OAKLAND COMMUTER

ARGONNE AVE SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Monday, February 12
7 p.m. Webster Groves Christian Church

The City has been working Wind Engineering to design potential improvements to the sidewalks along Argonne Ave. At the Board's February 12 meeting, the engineers designing the improvements will be present, along with drafts of their plans, to explain the project and answer resident questions. All residents are welcome to attend the meeting which starts at 7:00 pm, and residents who live and walk along Argonne are especially encouraged to join the discussion!

CITY WIDE GARAGE SALE

Saturday, May 19
8 a.m to Noon

Clean out your closets and get ready for the Annual City Garage Sale on May 19 from 8:00 a.m. to noon. The City will advertise in the local papers and City bulletin boards. Toys, clothes, furniture and more! If you would like your address listed in the newspaper as participating, please let us know by May 11. A final list of participating homes will also be posted on the notice boards at Loewnau and Backstoppers Parks the day of the sale. Residents are also encouraged to draw attention to sales with signs or balloons on the day of the sale. To be added to the list of homes participating in the sale, just contact oaklandcityhall@sbcglobal.net.

No Cost Home Improvement for Qualified Homeowners

St Louis County Government's Home Improvement Program is offering up to \$5,000 worth of home repairs for eligible Oakland homeowners, at NO COST. Eligible items would include roofing; electrical; plumbing; heating; air-conditioning; hot water heater; tuck-pointing; hand rail installation; concrete, asphalt, masonry; tree trimming or removal; foundation work, etc.

Qualification criteria:

You must own and live in the home, your property taxes have to be current, you cannot have participated in the program previously, and your total household's income must be within the following Income Limits (the *Adjusted Gross Income* on your 2016 Federal U.S. Individual Income Tax Return):

Family of 1 – less than \$41,750
 Family of 5 – less than \$64,400
 Family of 2 – less than \$47,700
 Family of 6 – less than \$69,150
 Family of 3 – less than \$53,650
 Family of 7 – less than \$73,950
 Family of 4 – less than \$59,600
 Family of 8 – less than \$78,700

Senior Citizens - Please Note: For Senior Citizens, many times some portion of your Social Security income is not included in the *Adjusted Gross Income* figures listed on your Federal U.S. Income Tax Return (and therefore would not be counted in the figures listed above). The Home Improvement Program is federally funded and operates through St. Louis County Government's Dept. of Planning, Office of Community Development in conjunction with the City of Oakland.

To apply, please call Debby in St. Louis County at 314-615-4025 (TTY 1-800-735-2966).

Directory of Public Officials 2018

*Paul Marti
Mayor
821-1722
105 Minturn Avenue*

*Tom Steuby
Alderman-Ward 1
305-9089
819 Melshire*

*James Hensley
Alderman-Ward 1
971-7654
835 Westwood Place*

*Mike Godsy
Alderman-Ward 2
715-1328
1005 Oakland*

*Andrew Stewart
Alderman-Ward 2
821-8927
901 Woodleigh Cove*

*Deborah LeMoine
City Administrator/Clerk
416-0026*

*Donna Tharp
Court Clerk
842-0778*

*Greg Hanser
Building Inspector
Code Compliance Official
420-7481*

**Police & Fire
Non-Emergency
822-5858
Emergency 911**

**Waste Management
506-4700**



GREETINGS FROM OUR POLICE

Greetings City of Oakland Residents,
Please let me introduce myself. My name is Officer Gary Baldrige with the Kirkwood-Oakland Police Department. I am currently the Police Department's Community Service Officer. I would like to provide each of you with my direct contact information and to extend an invitation to like/follow our official Facebook page: Kirkwood Missouri Police Department. We post numerous public service announcements, community events and crime reports as often as we can. If you have any traffic concerns, non-emergency police related questions, or Police/community related ideas; please give me a call or send an email. I look forward to interacting with the City of Oakland residents during 2018. A Happy New Year to you all.

Officer Gary Baldrige #308
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SEWER LATERAL REPAIRS

In 1999, the citizens of Oakland voted to approve paying \$28.00 annually to establish a sewer lateral repair program within the community. The Sewer Lateral Repair Program began officially on September 29, 1999 and is designed to pay **up to a maximum of \$2,500 towards** repairing broken residential sewer laterals from the sewer main to the house. The fees, which generate about \$14,000 per year, are collected through your St. Louis County Property Tax Bill. This fee is used entirely for the Sewer Lateral Repair Program and cannot be used for any other purpose.

The Sewer Lateral Repair Program pays for point-of-break repairs, which means that only the portion of the pipe that is defective is repaired. It will be the responsibility of the property owner to restore landscaping and ground covers, including grass in whatever manner they choose. The sewer lateral fund will pay for diagnostics and repair charges up to a maximum of \$2,500 per repair of a sewer lateral. All other charges for a single repair are the responsibility of the resident or homeowner of the covered sewer lateral repair.

If a blockage in your lateral occurs that cannot be removed by a plumber or sewer cleaning service or a sinkhole is observed, you may have a broken sewer lateral. The Sewer Lateral Repair Program will not pay for the cost of sewer cleaning to remove tree roots or buildups, rather this is the responsibility of the resident or homeowner. The procedure for sewer lateral repairs begins when you think you have a collapsed pipe. Contact a plumber and have the line cabled at your expense. Once you have received the tape, contact City Building Inspector Greg Hanser. He will review the tape to verify your eligibility. If eligible, the resident decides on a contractor to do the repair and then pays for the repair in full. Copies of the actual bill and receipt of payment can be sent to P. O. Box 220511, St. Louis, MO 63122 and reimbursement (up to \$2,500) will be sent to you after approved at the next Board meeting.

STAY UP TO DATE WITH CITY WEBSITE

Did you know that the City of Oakland has a website? Meeting agendas, public notices and other interesting information - such as plans for proposed improvements- can be found at oaklandmo.org. You may also register on the website to receive updates from the City or the Police Department as new information is posted.

MOSQUITO SEASON COMING SOON

The County will be monitoring mosquitoes each week this summer. If you would like to know if your area will be sprayed on a particular day, you can call the hotline at 615-4BUG. The hotline is updated daily between 4 and 6 p.m. Spraying is just one of many tools the County utilizes to control the types of mosquitoes which are active at night and most likely to carry disease. The best way to eliminate daytime mosquitoes, which are container breeders, is to eliminate sources of standing water around your home.

YARD WASTE REMOVAL YEAR ROUND

Residents will be happy to know that Oakland's most recent contract with Waste Management includes year round yard waste pick-up. Yard waste collection is on Tuesday along with waste and recycling. If you need new or additional rolling bins for waste, recycling or yard waste simply contact Waste Management at 506-4700.

IMPROVEMENTS IN MINTURN PARK

Last year Oakland was awarded \$264,700 in Municipal Park Grant funds for improvements to be made in Minturn Park. SWT Design designed the improvements which include accessible walkways, landscaping, a sculptural play piece (not a playground) and a small pavilion for observing the wonderful natural environment of the park. Work has begun on the project and will continue throughout the spring as weather improves. Be sure to stop by this spring and enjoy the new park design!

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MONDAY FEBRUARY 12
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WEBSTER GROVES CHRISTIAN CHURCH
1320 WEST LOCKWOOD**

ALL RESIDENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!