

6 Palos Park 2021 MJ-HMP Jurisdictional Annual Report

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Background: Cook County and participating municipalities in the county developed a hazard mitigation plan to reduce risk from all hazards by identifying resources, information, and strategies for risk reduction. The federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires state and local governments to develop hazard mitigation plans as a condition for federal disaster grant assistance. To prepare the plan, the participating partners organized resources, assessed risks from natural hazards within the county, developed planning goals and objectives, reviewed mitigation alternatives, and developed an action plan to address probable impacts from natural hazards. By completing this process, these jurisdictions maintained compliance with the Disaster Mitigation Act, achieving eligibility for mitigation grant funding opportunities afforded under the Robert T. Stafford Act.

Purpose: The purpose of this report is to provide an annual update on the implementation of the action plan identified in the Cook County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. The objective is to ensure that there is a continuing and responsive planning process that will keep the Hazard Mitigation Plan dynamic and responsive to the needs and capabilities of the partner jurisdictions. This report discusses the following:

- Natural hazard events that have occurred within the last year
- Changes in risk exposure within the planning area (all of Cook County) Mitigation success stories
- Review of the action plan
- Changes in capabilities that could impact plan implementation
- Recommendations for changes/enhancement.

Hazard Analysis

Hazards that represent a county-wide risk are addressed in the Risk Assessment section of the 2019 Cook County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update. This section only addresses the hazards and their associated impacts that are **relevant** and **unique** to the municipality.

Flood: The Village is susceptible to road flooding on McCarthy at 98th Ave and Southwest Highway at 131st.

Extreme Heat: The Village is vulnerable to extreme heat. Specifically, how it can result in power failure which would impact Sunrise Assisted Living and Holy Family Villa special needs populations.

High Winds: Historically, high winds have caused road obstruction from fallen trees and downed power lines throughout the Village.

Severe Winter Weather: The Village currently organizes outreach programs to vulnerable populations, including establishing and promoting accessible heating centers in the community.

Lightning, Hail, Fog, Snow, Blizzard, Extreme Cold, Ice Storms, Epidemic or Pandemic, Widespread Power Outage, Hazardous Materials

Release: The Village (Palos Park Police) wishes to ensure special populations located in assisted living and nursing homes are adequately protected in the event of an extended power outage. TBD Strategy.

Natural Hazard Events in 2021

Instructions: Please use the **Edit** Tool to describe new hazard occurrences/incidents from the past year that have impacted your jurisdiction and had a measurable impact on people or property. (Example: A tornado occurred on [Date] and impacted [insert area] and caused damage to [insert damages]). You may also use the Edit Tool to suggest any modifications/improvements to the hazards unique to your community, as described below from the 2019 plan.

Describe 2021 Natural Hazard Events Here: [Type Here]

Mitigation Strategies and Actions

The heart of the mitigation plan is the mitigation strategy, which serves as the long-term blueprint for reducing the potential losses identified in the risk assessment. The mitigation strategy describes how the community will accomplish the overall purpose, or mission, of the planning process.

New Mitigation Actions

Please submit [here](#)

Ongoing Mitigation Actions

The following are ongoing actions. During the 2019 update, these "ongoing" mitigation actions and projects were modified and/or amended, as needed. Reviewers of this report should refer to the Hazard Mitigation Plan for more detailed descriptions of each action and the prioritization process. Address the following for each mitigation action:

- Was any element of the action carried out during the reporting period?
 - If no action was completed, why?
 - Is the timeline for implementation or the action still appropriate?
 - If the action was completed, does it need to be changed or removed from the action plan?
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TABLE: HAZARD MITIGATION ACTION PLAN MATRIX

Completion status legend:									
N = New			O = Action Ongoing toward Completion			R = Want Removed from Annex			X = No Action Taken
C = Project Completed									
2021 Status	2020 Status	2019 Status	Hazards Mitigated	Objectives Met	Lead Agencies	Estimated Cost	Sources of Funding	Timeline/Projected Completion Date (a)	
Action P4.1 —Identify at-risk Village populations that may be exceptionally vulnerable to long-term power outages.									
Status Description:									
Ongoing		Ongoing	All	5, 12	Village	Low	General Fund	Short-term	
Action P4.2 —Increase the resilience of critical Palos Park infrastructure and facilities.									
Status Description:									
Ongoing		Ongoing	All	2, 5	Village	High	FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant	Short-term	
Action P4.3 —Establish partnerships with all levels of government to improve methods to protect people and property.									
Status Description:									
Ongoing		Ongoing	All	8	Village	Low	General Fund	Short-term	
Action P4.4 —Promote public awareness of severe weather preparedness and 72-hour self-sufficiency.									
Status Description:									
Ongoing		Ongoing	All	5, 8	Village	Low	General Fund	Short-term	
Action P4.5 —Develop a Continuity of Operations (COOP) for Village operations during severe weather events.									
Status Description:									
Ongoing		Ongoing	All	5	Village	Low	General Fund	Short-term	
Action P4.6 —Develop and identify shelter locations and evacuation routes for local government, businesses, and residents.									
Status Description:									
Ongoing		Ongoing	All	1,5	Village	Low	General Fund	Short-term	
Action P4.7 —Organize outreach programs to vulnerable populations, including establishing and promoting accessible heating centers in the community.									
Status Description:									
Ongoing		Ongoing	Severe Winter Weather	12	Village	Low	General Fund	Short-term	
Action P4.8 —Develop and implement a natural hazard training and exercise program for all Village departments to enhance employee preparedness.									
Status Description:									
Ongoing		Ongoing	All	1, 5	Village	Low	General Fund	Short-term	
Action P4.9 —Integrate the Cook County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan into the Palos Park Emergency Operations Plan.									
Status Description:									
Ongoing		Ongoing	All	1, 5, 8	Village	Low	General Fund	Short-term	
Action P4.10 —Where appropriate, support retrofitting, purchase, or relocation of structures in hazard-prone areas to prevent future structure damage. Give priority to properties with exposure to repetitive losses.									
Status Description:									
Ongoing		Ongoing	All	7, 13	Village	High	FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grants	Long-term (depending on funding)	
Action P4.11 —Continue to support the countywide actions identified in this plan.									
Status Description:									
Ongoing		Ongoing	All	All	Village	Low	General Fund	Short-term	
Action P4.12 —Actively participate in the plan maintenance strategy identified in this plan.									
Status Description:									
-	-	Completed	All	3, 4, 6	DHSEM, Village	Low	General Fund	Completed	
Action P4.13 —Consider participation in incentive-based programs such as the Community Rating System, Tree City, and StormReady.									
Status Description:									

-	-	Completed	All	3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13	Village	Low	General Fund	Completed
Action P4.14 —Maintain good standing under the National Flood Insurance Program by implementing programs that meet or exceed the minimum NFIP requirements. Such programs include enforcing an adopted flood damage prevention ordinance, participating in floodplain mapping updates, and providing public assistance and information on floodplain requirements and impacts.								
Status Description:								
Ongoing		Ongoing	Flooding	4, 6, 9	Village	Low	General Fund	Short-term and ongoing
Action P4.15 —Where feasible, implement a program to record high water marks following high-water events.								
Status Description:								
-	-	Completed	Flooding, Severe Weather	3, 6, 9	Village	Medium	General Fund; FEMA Grant Funds (Public Assistance)	Completed
Action P4.16 —Integrate the hazard mitigation plan into other plans, programs, or resources that dictate land use or redevelopment.								
Status Description:								
Ongoing		Ongoing	All	3, 4, 6, 10, 13	Building Department	Low	General Fund	Short-term
Action P4.17 —Ensure special populations located in assisted living and nursing homes are adequately protected in the event of an extended power outage.								
Status Description:								
Ongoing		New	Extreme Heat, Lightning, Hail, Fog, High Wind, Snow, Blizzard, Extreme Cold, Ice Storms, Epidemic or Pandemic, Widespread Power Outage, Hazardous Materials Release	12	Palos Park Police	Looking for input; Low	Looking for input	Unknown
Action P4.18 —Establish a quarterly public awareness presentation series to enhance residents preparedness to various hazards.								
Status Description:								
Ongoing		New	Extreme Heat, Lightning, Hail, High Wind, Snow, Blizzard, Extreme Cold, Ice Storms, Tornado	6, 12	Palos Park Police	Low	General Fund	TBD
(a) Ongoing indicates continuation of an action that is already in place. Short-term indicates implementation within five years. Long-term indicates implementation after five years.								

Mitigation Success Stories: Examples of mitigation success stories include, but are not limited to: received a Grant, completed a major mitigation project, etc.

Future Needs: Examples of future needs include, but are not limited to: receiving training to better understand the mitigation grant application process, studies that may be needed to better understand hazards/risks, etc.