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Awards and Distinctions

All America City Finalist

American Public Works Association (APWA) Accreditation

Commission on Fire Accreditation International (CFAI)

Fitch IBCA AAA Financial Bond Rating

Gold Level Clean Air Counts Community

Governor's Hometown Award

Government Finance Officers Association Budget Award

Government Finance Officers Association Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

Illinois Law Enforcement Accreditation (ILEAP)

Insurance Services Office (ISO) Class One Fire Department

State of Illinois Certified Health Department

Tree City U.S.A. Distinction

Village of Skokie

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Skokie Receives Tree City USA Recognition

The Village of Skokie is honored with the Tree City USA Designation award for its 2015 efforts in tree advocacy. The Village has received the Tree City USA award annually since 1985.

The award recognizes Skokie for managing local forest resources to enhance citizen safety and welfare. Tree City USA recognizes municipal programs that promote tree planting and care programs in urban areas.

The Village of Skokie has met the four required standards to become a Tree City USA Community. All Tree City USA communities must have a tree board or department, a tree-care ordinance, a community forestry program with annual expenditures of at least \$2 per capita and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

This year's Arbor Day ceremony is Friday, April 29, 2016, 10 a.m. at Channel Side Park on McCormick Boulevard. The ceremony is hosted by the Village of Skokie, the Skokie Beautification and Improvement Commission and the Skokie Park District. All are welcome to attend this family friendly event. Parking is available at the Dammrich Rowing center, 3220 Oakton Street, which is walking distance from the site.

For more information on any of the above programs, please call the Forestry Division at 847/933-8427.

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