

# TINLEY PARK

## PARK DISTRICT



THE TINLEY PARK-PARK DISTRICT IS COMMITTED TO CREATIVE RECREATIONAL PROGRAMMING OPPORTUNITIES, AND OUTSTANDING CUSTOMER SERVICE WHILE PROVIDING AND MAINTAINING QUALITY RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND PARKS TO ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN TINLEY PARK.

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## Property Taxes

As a government entity, the Tinley Park-Park District has the power to levy and collect taxes on all taxable property within the district through the preparation of a tax levy ordinance. The Equalized Assessed Value (EAV) of your property will determine the amount of property taxes you will pay to the park district. In 2011, the park district's portion of your property tax bill amounted to 4.31 percent of the total. In the past 10 years, the Park District's tax rate has reduced by 19 percent.

The park district's tax rate for 2010 was .359. A home that is valued at \$210,000 has an approximate EAV of \$70,000 and would contribute about \$251 of their 2010 tax bill to the park district.

## Tinley Park-Park District 10 Year Tax Rate History

Year	Rate
2001	0.445
2002	0.384
2003	0.427
2004	0.422
2005	0.379
2006	0.387
2007	0.376
2008	0.351
2009	0.353
2010	0.359

## Tinley Park-Park District Revenue Sources

### Fees and Charges

This year the Tinley Park-Park District will collect a total of 7.1 million dollars in operating revenue. Over 15 percent of this revenue is collected through program fees and charges. This helps to keep property taxes at a minimum while keeping program fees affordable.

### Interest Income

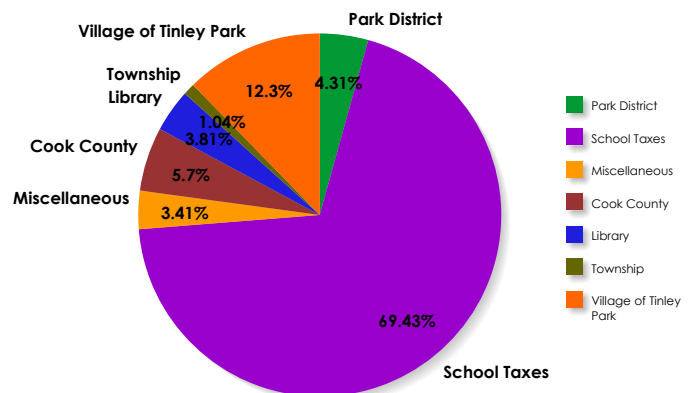
Funds on hand are invested in accordance with the Park District's Investment Policy and State statutes. As stewards of the public's money, the park district only invests in instruments with maximum security.

### Other

The district receives additional money for services rendered as well as contributions or donations. The park district does not receive any sales tax revenue.



## Percentage of Your Property Tax Bill



## 2010 Property Tax Bill

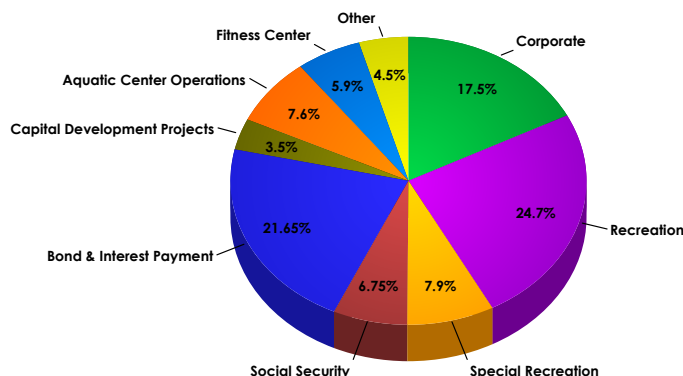
Taxing Body	Rate	% of total
School Districts	5.778	69.43%
Village of Tinley Park	1.024	12.3%
Cook County	0.474	5.7%
Park District	0.359	4.31%
Library	0.317	3.81%
Miscellaneous	0.284	3.41%
Township	0.087	1.04%

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## Expenditures



## A Steward of our Resources

*Where is the revenue used?*

**Corporate and Park Management:** The Parks Department is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of 352 acres within Tinley Park-Park District boundaries. This translates into 46 individual park sites. District amenities include 9.1 miles of paved trails, 33 ball diamonds, 35 sports courts (volleyball, basketball and tennis), 29 playgrounds, 25 soccer fields, a skate park, 18 picnic areas, two outdoor ice rinks, a water park, a multi-use synthetic turf field, a community center and a fitness center. We strive to maintain all parks and amenities with a standard of care that ensures a safe, aesthetic and enjoyable experience for all Tinley Park residents. The Corporate Fund also consists of legal services, professional fees and administration costs.

**Recreation Programs:** The Tinley Park-Park District offers a diverse selection of recreation services to its residents in recognition of the District's responsibility to provide public open space and leisure opportunities. The goal of the Recreation Department is to continually improve the delivery of recreation services to the residents within the Park District, and we strive to effectively and economically provide leisure opportunities based on needs assessments and researching current trends in today's society. The Park District offers an excess of 1,250 programs annually. In all, 54 percent of the Recreation Fund is supported through user fees while 46 percent is supported through taxes.

**Aquatic Center Operations:** White Water Canyon Water Park and Sprayground operates as a self-sustaining facility and does not receive any tax subsidy. Attendance to the park during the summer of 2011 was 80,764.

## Budget

The budget is a plan for the Park District's spending for each fiscal year – from March 1 to February 28. The Park Board approves the budget each year at the February Park Board meeting. The budget and appropriation ordinance is passed each May (no later than 90 days after the beginning of the fiscal year) and is available for public inspection prior to board approval.

At the conclusion of each fiscal year, a financial audit is completed. The audit is a mandated financial report compiled by a professional auditor. The District's annual audit report can be found on the district's website at [www.tinleyparkdistrict.org](http://www.tinleyparkdistrict.org).

## Looking Forward

*Upcoming plans for the Tinley Park-Park District*

### Recreation Center Expansion

In Fall 2012, the Park District will begin construction of a 30,000 square foot expansion on to the Tony Bettenhausen Recreation Center. This addition will be the new home of Tinley Fitness, which is currently located at 17500 Duvan Drive in Tinley Park. The expansion is scheduled to take approx. 14 months to complete, and the facility is tentatively scheduled to open in December 2013.

### Dog Park

The Park District is planning the construction of an off-leash dog park for the residents of Tinley Park to be completed by Fall 2013. A five-acre plot of land near 84th Avenue and Nielsen Drive will be converted into a doggy paradise, complete with separate sections for large and small dogs, plenty of shade, agility obstacles, and a shelter. Membership details will be available at a later date.

### Outdoor Fitness Zone

An Outdoor Fitness Zone will be added as an amenity to Centennial Park and will be the first of its kind in the area. Strength equipment will be available free of charge for patrons to utilize as part of their active workout plan. A total of 10 pieces of equipment will initially be installed in July/August 2012.



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## ADA Accessible Playground at McCarthy Park

### New Amenities at McCarthy Park

- Sensory-Activity Panels
- Rubberized Surface
- Metal Ramps

### 2011-2012 Accomplishments

- Spring 2011 - Roofing replaced at The Landmark Historical Society church and the McCarthy Maintenance Barn building, as well as at three park site shelter pavilions, including Jaycee Grove, Pottawattomie Park and Nasebandt "Moose" Park.
- Spring 2011 - The Rock Island Caboose at Freedom Park received a new roof, new paint job and new lettering. Landscaping was also added to the area.
- Spring 2011 - Windows were replaced on the first and second stories at the Vogt Visual Arts Center, greatly enhancing energy savings to the historic building and local art gallery.
- Fall 2011 - The pathway at Bicentennial Park was widened to 8 feet, making it more user-friendly.
- Fall 2011 - Tennis and Basketball Courts at Community Park were re-sealed and striped.
- Fall 2011 - The sports lighting at Theriault Field in McCarthy Park was upgraded to a green system. The new system replaced the existing 30-year-old system with energy and cost saving and efficiencies.
- Fall 2011 - 50 new trees were planted as replacements or added to landscape areas throughout the park system.
- Fall 2011 - Three playgrounds were replaced in conjunction with the Park District's 15-year replacement schedule. Sites with new equipment included Nasebandt "Moose" Park and Vogt Woods. Additionally, McCarthy Park now includes the Park District's first 100 percent ADA accessible playground.
- Winter 2011 - A total of 18 pieces of strength training machines were replaced at Tinley Fitness. The older machines were replaced with new Precor C-Line Series.



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