

# FOIA Information Directory

The Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) is a pro-disclosure law intended for all citizens to have the right to access public documents of their government.

Under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), all requests must be in writing and directed to the Tinley Park-Park District one of the following ways:

**Drop off or Mail:**

Tinley Park-Park District FOIA Request  
Tony Bettenhausen Recreation Center  
8125 W. 171<sup>st</sup> Street  
Tinley Park, IL 60477

**Fax:**

708-342-4291  
Attn: FOIA Officer

**Email:**

[foia@tinleyparkdistrict.org](mailto:foia@tinleyparkdistrict.org)

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The Tinley Park-Park District is a unit of local government incorporated and organized under the laws of the State of Illinois, which has the purpose of providing leisure services and leisure facilities for the residents within the Tinley Park-Park District boundaries.

The Tinley Park-Park District is in the Village of Tinley Park, a southwest suburb of Chicago, just 30 minutes southwest of downtown Chicago. The Park District maintains 40 parks, 33 ball fields and several amenities.

The Park District also operates Tinley Fitness, Landmark Museum and Church, McCarthy Recreation Building, Tinley Park Performing Arts Center, Tinley Junction Miniature Golf and Batting Cages, Vogt Visual Arts Center, The Extreme Skate Park, and White Water Canyon Water Park.

The operating budget of the Tinley Park-Park District for 2023-24 is \$13,304,750. The budget for Capital Projects is \$3,768,965, and for Debt Services is \$1,125,000.

The Tinley Park-Park District employs 34 full-time employees and 123 part-time employees, and approximately 202 seasonal employees.

**The Park District is governed by a Board of Commissioners:**

**Marie Ryan**, President  
**Bernie O'Boyle**, Vice-President  
**Don Cuba**, Treasurer  
**Ashley Rubino**, Secretary  
**Lisa O'Donovan**, Commissioner

**Operational organization and key employees of the Tinley Park-Park District are as follows:**

**Shawn Roby**, Executive Director  
**Meghan Fenlon**, Superintendent of Recreation  
**Thomas Leeson**, Business Manager  
**Ryan Veldman**, Superintendent of Parks  
**Sean Caddigan**, Facilities Manager  
**Margaret Brown**, FOIA Officer/OMA Designee; **Kelly Jones**, FOIA Officer/OMA Designee