



BREAKING NEWS: Congress Passes \$900B COVID Relief Package

On Monday, the US House and Senate each passed a relief package intended to get much-needed aid to individuals and small businesses. The compromise measure, which was approved by overwhelming majorities in both houses, is expected to receive the president's signature soon. Approximately \$900 billion is allocated to a variety of programs, including:

- Extension of the Payroll Protection Program (PPP) forgivable loans, with the opportunity for a second round of aid for some businesses and a guarantee that PPP benefits are not taxable
- Individual stimulus checks of \$600 to persons earning less than \$75,000 or couples earning less than \$150,000, with an additional \$600 for each dependent child
- Supplemental federal unemployment benefits of \$300/week through March 14
- Grants targeted toward entertainment venues

Watch for additional information and an interactive Ask The Expert webinar coming soon.



Frum to Give Final Address to Business Community

Annual State of the Village January 27, Noon

Retiring Village Board President Sandy Frum will share reflections on her long career in public service, and discuss changes to come, in her final State of the Village Address to the

Chamber on Wednesday, January 27. The annual event, taking place this year via Zoom, gives members a unique opportunity to hear personal insights from Village leadership and ask questions about issues of interest to the local business community.

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Update: Northbrook Adopts Affordable Housing Ordinances

The Northbrook Board of Trustees unanimously approved a package of local ordinances and code amendments to promote the development of affordable housing.

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Chamber Salutes Business Award Winners

The Chamber is pleased to announce the recipients of its 2021 Business Awards. The three members were selected based on peer nominations and their extraordinary accomplishments and contributions during the past year.

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Chamber Looks Ahead to 2021 - A Message from Chamber Board Chair Bob Caldwell, Hallmark Homecare

It's traditional for the Chamber Board Chair to share some thoughts at the start of the new year, reflecting on the accomplishments of the preceding months. Trying to create a "Year in Review" for 2020 is, to say the least, daunting.



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Chamber Membership Boosts Online Visibility

One of the most powerful benefits of your Chamber membership is your business's listing on the Chamber's website. This public-facing page, with information about your services, location, website, and more, has built-in Search Engine Optimization (SEO) elements to make your business easier for potential customers to find in web searches.

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State Minimum Wage Going Up

Please be aware that the Illinois minimum wage will increase as of January 1, 2021. The changes set the following wage levels:

- Non-tipped employees: \$11.00
- Tipped employees: \$6.60
- Youth employees: \$8.50

For more details, visit the [Illinois Department of Labor website](#).



Friday Networking Breakfast

**with the DBR Chamber
Friday, Jan. 8, 7:30 a.m.
via Zoom**

Note Special Date!
Make new connections for the new year as we welcome members of the Deerfield Bannockburn Riverwoods Chamber to our monthly networking showcase event

[Register Now](#)

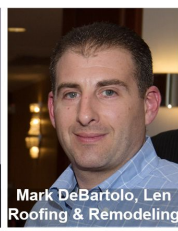
Business Roundtables Mondays, Jan. 11, 18 & 25 @ 3:30 p.m.

Get energized for the work week by discussing business challenges & opportunities.

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Lee Brooks, Bell Flavors & Fragrances



Mark DeBartolo, Len Roofing & Remodeling



Amy Kahhat, First Bank of Highland Park

Three New Directors Join Chamber Board

The Chamber's Board of Directors will welcome three new faces beginning in January 2021: Lee Brooks, Bell Flavors & Fragrances; Mark DeBartolo, Len Roofing and Remodeling; and Amy Kahhat, First Bank of Highland Park. These individuals join our 20-member Board to help guide the Chamber's direction as the organization transitions out of its COVID-emergency operations.

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Women in Business

Tuesday, Jan. 19 @ noon
via Zoom

Give 2021 a healthy start with a wellness program featuring Marcy Kirshenbaum, Enhance Nutrition LLC and Vianca Castro, Orangetheory Fitness.

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HELPFUL BUSINESS RESOURCES

- [Restore Illinois Plan Overview](#)
- [Restore Illinois Phase 4 Business Toolkit](#)
- [US Small Business Administration](#)
- [Cook County Community Recovery Initiative](#)
- [Centers for Disease Control](#)
- [Glenview Northbrook Coronavirus Taskforce](#)

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9am-3pm Mon-Thurs

Holiday Hours

9:00 - noon 12/23 **9-12**

Closed 12/24 and 12/31

By Appointment 12/28 -12/30