



WILL COUNTY
EXECUTIVE
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We have had much to celebrate in Will County this month. From the first signs of spring to the approaching outdoor events scheduled in many of our communities, the doors are opening to what promises to be an eventful and exciting summer!

This spring and summer, my office will be working with local partners to host and attend events throughout Will County. This outreach effort will provide essential services to our neighbors, such as the Fresh Produce Pop-Up Event we are co-hosting on May 11. I also want to ensure that residents are aware of resources available to them. Our programming schedule also includes those hosted by county departments, such as Will County's annual recycling events hosted by our Land Use Department's Resource Recovery & Energy Division. These are excellent opportunities to recycle electronics, old paint, or other household hazardous items.

If you would like to stay up to date on events and announcements in a timely manner, please follow the Will County Executive social media pages on Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn. Feel free to contact my office with any questions or concerns!

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Recognition for **Dispatchers & Animal Control Professionals**

Will County Executive Bertino-Tarrant recognized staff at two departments this month as part of national appreciation weeks. Staff at L Araway Communications Center (LCC) were recognized for National Public Safety Telecommunicator Week and the Will County Animal Control Department staff were celebrated for Animal Care & Control Week.

Both LCC and Animal Control received Executive Proclamations, along with ice cream sandwiches, to thank them for their work and dedication to public service. Both departments play an important role in public safety throughout Will County.

For the staff of LCC, their telecommunicators are the first points of contact for the public during an emergency. They speak to residents on their worst days and ensure that first responders are well-prepared to arrive on the scene to any situation.

The Will County Animal Control Department responds to call from residents regarding wild animals or lost pets - they receive approximately 3,500+ calls each year and last year took in 575 animals, some of which included ducks, horses, pigs, and sheep. This small-but-mighty department works hard for the wellbeing and safety of all creatures, human or otherwise, in the county.

Thank you to the staff at the LCC and Animal Control Department for all you do for Will County!

WILL COUNTY'S
RECYCLING,
COLLECTION, AND
HAZARDOUS WASTE
**SPRING 2023
EVENTS**

- Compost Bins & Rain Barrels | **April 30**
- Electronics & HHW | **May 6**
- Textile Collection | **May 8 - 12**
- Electronics & HHW | **May 13**
- Book Reuse & Recycling | **June 2 - 4**
- Water Conservation Event | **June 13**

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Will County Launches Interactive Road Construction Map

The Will County Division of Transportation (WCDOT) has launched a new interactive online map to help residents stay up to date on county-wide construction projects. The map includes the 2023 Will County Road Construction Schedule, with multiple reconstruction, repaving, and improvement projects scheduled.

The new Construction Projects Interactive Map, developed by Will County's Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Division, will be updated throughout the year to reflect the status of construction projects. It is designed to help drivers plan their routes to possibly avoid roads under construction or plan for extra commute times. WCDOT urges commuters to try to avoid construction zones whenever possible to minimize congestion. When driving on these roadways, signs should be followed for partial lane closures and construction zone speed limits to help keep workers safe.

Each project includes information on the project, including estimated start date, estimated duration, anticipated traffic impact, and current project status. Check out the map to familiarize yourself with this year's construction project plans on Will County roadways!

[VIEW THE MAP](#)

Will County Fresh Produce Pop-Up Event

The Will County Executive Office is partnering with Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois, the Meals on Wheels Foundation of Northern Illinois, Community Lifeline Ministries, and Second Baptist Church of Joliet to provide our community with fresh produce, vegetables, and protein.

The Will County Fresh Produce Pop-Up Event will take place on:

Thursday, May 11 | 1 - 3 PM

Community Lifeline Ministries, 158 S Joliet St, Joliet, IL 60436

For more information, please call (224) 500-2365.

Railway Safety Visit

Will County Executive Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant joined State Representative Jackie Haas and local responders this month in Monee for a closer look at railway safety implementation procedures and devices from Canadian National Railway Company.

DID YOU KNOW? - Defect detectors are placed along the tracks to measure variables in passing trains, which can be used as an early detection of potential failures like overheating during operation.