

# Deerfield

A combination of attractive residential neighborhoods, thriving retail centers, an outstanding school system and a comprehensive parks system has made Deerfield one of the most sought-after suburban communities in greater Chicago.

First settled in 1835 as a small farming community, Deerfield was incorporated as a village in 1903. Located just 21 miles from Chicago's Loop and near the Lake Cook and Waukegan Roads business corridors, Deerfield has developed a strong commercial base and is also known as the home of the Chicago Bulls practice center.

Residents have a choice of shopping areas including the beautiful downtown center, Deerbrook Shopping Mall, Lake Cook Plaza and Cadwell Corners.

Deerfield residents are justifiably proud of the village's many assets including their extensively renovated Library. Library facilities include a new interactive computer system, Internet stations and a full schedule of programs and book reviews on a variety of subjects.

Residents also take pride in their history. The Deerfield Historical Society is a complex of five buildings that includes the 1837 Caspar Ott Log House, considered to be the oldest building in Lake County. Also on the Society grounds is a replica of a 19<sup>th</sup> century one-room school known as the Little Red Schoolhouse. Each year fourth grade students from District 109 spend a day in the Little Red Schoolhouse as part of their history program.

Parks and Recreation. Established in 1951, the Deerfield Park District offers a wealth of programs for residents of all ages. The Jewett Park Community Center houses the Nursery School, Tree House Indoor Playground, the Deerfield Dance Center and space for many of the district's classes. The district also operates twenty parks/playgrounds that include two swimming pools, an ice-skating rink and an 18-hole golf course. The senior program offers numerous activities and special events throughout the year. The Patty Turner Senior Center opened in 2003. Additionally, the Ravinia Festival grounds are just minutes away from Deerfield.

Schools. Deerfield has always placed a great emphasis on quality education, establishing their first school in 1845. Today, students attend one of four public or one private school and two middle schools in District 109. Secondary students attend Deerfield High School in District 113, considered one of the top ten high schools in the state. Visit [www.deerfield-il.org](http://www.deerfield-il.org) for detailed school information.

Housing. Deerfield offers a great variety of single-family homes from traditional Colonials and Cape Cods to more contemporary split-levels and ranches. Developers have recently added new custom homes in many neighborhoods as well as attractive new residential areas. New and older townhouses and condominiums are also available.

Transportation. Deerfield is located one mile west of Route 41, a direct auto route to Chicago or Wisconsin. The nearby Tollway (I-94) goes north to Wisconsin and south to I-80, the Illinois connection to Indiana and Iowa.

Chicago is approximately 30 minutes away by car and 35 minutes away on the express train line. Deerfield is 20 minutes from O'Hare airport and one hour and twenty minutes from Midway airport. Commuters to Chicago's Loop board the Metra Milwaukee District Railroad from either the Deerfield Station or the Lake Cook Station, both of which have parking for over 500 cars. Local bus service is coordinated by PACE, the suburban bus division of the Regional Transportation Authority.

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