

# Grayslake

Grayslake, where the best of the city is only an hour from the best of the country, is located 44 miles north of the Loop. The village has transformed itself from a small rural town into an established family community.

The friendly business atmosphere, quality education, hometown feel and convenient access to major transportation arteries make Grayslake one of the most popular communities in Lake County. Homebuyers appreciate the consistent increases in property values.

Leisure time can be filled in many ways, with parks and recreational facilities providing opportunities for residents of all ages, including Jones Beach which offers swimming, picnicking, sand volleyball, canoeing, sailing, sunbathing and simple relaxation.

Six Flags Great America theme park is a quick ten-minute drive. During the winter, the village boasts numerous skating areas for hockey players and figure skaters, and Grayslake is within a short drive of major downhill ski areas. Forest preserves and recreation areas also provide ample trails for cross-country skiing.

Community involvement is a way of life in Grayslake. The town is home to the Lions Club, which hosts a steer roast each September, the Exchange Club, sponsor of a Pancake Breakfast and other events during the year, the Grayslake Women's Club, two garden clubs and a very active Chamber of Commerce.

**Housing.** Grayslake offers a variety of housing styles that include 1930s frame houses, newer ranches and split-levels, as well as Cape Cods and Victorians. Several homes surrounding Grayslake date back to 1895, when the village was founded.

**Schools.** Elementary districts 46 and 50 serve the community. Spanish, computer science, library study skills and drama classes are some of the programs that are offered in the junior high curriculum. Grayslake district 127 is one of the smallest in the country.

**Transportation.** Grayslake is 5 miles west of the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) and can be reached via Illinois 120, U.S. 45 and Illinois 83 are north-south arteries. East-west access is provided by Belvedere Road and Washington Street. Drive time to the Loop is 60 minutes. Milwaukee's Mitchell Airport is 40 minutes away; O'Hare is 45 minutes away, and Midway is a 75-minute drive. Wisconsin Central Railroad and Milwaukee Railroad tracks run through Grayslake. Commuters reach the Loop in 40 minutes on the express, and 70 minutes on the local. Bus service is available.