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Orland Park Ranked Among 15 Safest Illinois Communities



A national public records site has ranked Orland Park among the 15 safest Illinois communities. Backgroundchecks.org based the rankings on FBI violent crime statistics and research data. The company describes itself as an internet database for public records.

"This is a credit to the entire Orland Park community and in particular our police department," said Mayor Dan McLaughlin. "We have seen crime in Orland Park decrease over the last five years and it's nice to be recognized as one of the safest communities in Illinois."

The site's description of Orland Park reads, "Another suburb of southwest Chicago, Orland Park is a village in Cook County. Home to 56,700 residents, the community has a thriving retail/commercial sector as well as an extensive parks system for residents. The violent crime rate here is 28, and the chance of being affected by property crime in Orland Park is 2.3%."

"Public safety has been and always will be a priority for the Village Board," said Trustee Dan Calandriello, chair of the village's Public Safety Committee. "We help our officers serve by giving them the tools necessary for keeping Orland Park a safe community."

The 15 safest Illinois communities ranked in order include Western Springs, Geneva, Barrington, Hinsdale, Buffalo Grove, Channahon, Deerfield, Morton Grove, Burr Ridge, Wheaton, Libertyville, Huntley, Orland Park, LaGrange Park and Northbrook.

"Most of the top 15 communities are small bedroom communities," noted Orland Park Police Chief Tim McCarthy. "Orland Park is the only town included with major commercial areas and a significant population. The average population of the 15 towns is 26,000. That says a lot about what we are doing in Orland Park."

"This really says something about the village's public safety programs," McLaughlin said. "Orland Park is the largest town among the top 15 and has significant commercial areas yet the village's crime stats remain low. That's a great accomplishment."

"Orland Park has one of the best police departments in the state," the mayor said. "We are very proud of the many community policing programs that the village has implemented and it's nice to be recognized for what everyone does to keep Orland Park safe."

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