



Certifying Center for Safe Communities

**On behalf of the WHO Collaborating Centre on Community Safety Promotion,
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Internet Application Summary



Name of the Community: Arlington Heights, Illinois

Country: United States of America

Number of inhabitants: 77,000

Program started year: 2009

International Safe Communities Network Membership: International - designation year: 2010

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Full Application Report:

http://www.phs.ki.se/csp/pdf/applicationreports/arlington_2010.pdf

The program covers the following safety promotion activities:

For the age group

Children 0-14 years:

- Outdoor Warning Siren System
- Safe Routes to Schools Program
- Child Passenger Safety Seat Inspection
- Illinois Child Identification Program
- Babysitting Instructional Programs
- Anti-bullying Program
- Standardized School Crisis Plan
- Operation Lifesaver
- CPR/AED Instruction
- Trunk or Treat
- Fire Safety Training



- Severe Weather Training
- Too Good For Drugs
- Juvenile Firesetter Intervention
- Safety Town
- Operation Respect Each Other
- Playground Inspection Program
- Children At Play (C.A.P.) Program
- Kids on Track Summer Day Camp
- Infant Swimming Resource
- Summer Swimming Safety
- Boating Safety
- Home Alone Program
- Bicycle Safety Program
- Crime Stoppers
- Citizen Observer
- Internet Safety

- Neighborhood Watch
- School Safety Advisory Task Force
- Peer Mediation Program

Youth 15-24 years:

- Outdoor Warning Siren System
- Emergency Citizen Alert System
- "Fight Like A Girl" Self-defense Program
- Anti-bullying Program
- Peer Mediation Program
- CPR/AED Instruction
- Prescription Drug Disposal Program
- Standardized School Crisis Plan
- Operation Life Saver
- Driver's Education
- Summer Swimming Safety
- *ImPACT* CONCUSSION MANAGEMENT SERVICE
- Boating Safety
- Social Emotional Learning Program
- Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports
- Students Against Destructive Decisions
- Rational Emotive Behavior Education
- Bicycle Safety Program
- Crime Stoppers
- Citizen Observer
- Everbridge Emergency Notification System
- Neighborhood Watch
- Pedal Car Program (Impairment Simulator)
- Safety Alert Whistle Program
- School Safety Advisory Task Force
- Community Emergency Response Team
- Rapid Entry Secure Keybox Program
- Special Needs Advisory Panel

Adults 25-64 years:

- Outdoor Warning Siren System
- Emergency Citizen Alert System
- National Association of Professional Drivers Training for Emergency Responders
- CPR/AED Instruction
- AARP Driver Safety Program (>50 YOA)
- Prescription Drug Disposal Program
- Pandemic Influenza Vaccination
- Bicycle Safety Program
- Crime Stoppers
- Citizen Observer
- Donuts With Doug
- Everbridge Emergency Notification System
- Neighborhood Watch
- Pedal Car Program (Impairment Simulator)
- Safety Alert Whistle Program
- Community Emergency Response Team



- Senior Citizen Safety/Fall Prevention Presentations
- Rapid Entry Secure Keybox Program
- Special Needs Advisory Panel

Older Adults 65+ years:

- Outdoor Warning Siren System
- Collaborative Healthcare Urgency Group (CHUG)
- Emergency Citizen Alert System
- AARP Driver Safety Program
- Prescription Drug Disposal Program
- CPR/AED Instruction
- Senior Fall Prevention and Fire Safety
- Influenza Vaccinations
- Emergency Information Packets
- Emergency Preparedness Kits
- Senior Fall Prevention
- Crime Stoppers
- Citizen Observer
- Donuts With Doug
- Everbridge Emergency Notification System
- Neighborhood Watch
- Pedal Car Program (Impairment Simulator)
- Safety Alert Whistle Program
- Community Emergency Response Team
- Lutheran Home Fall Prevention Committee
- Senior Citizen Safety/Fall Prevention Presentations
- Rapid Entry Secure Keybox Program
- Special Needs Advisory Panel

In the following Environments:

Home:

- Prescription Drug Disposal Program



- Senior Home Inspection Program
- Home Alone Program
- Emergency Information Packets
- Crime Stoppers
- Citizen Observer
- Donuts With Doug
- Everbridge Emergency Notification System
- Internet Safety
- Neighborhood Watch
- Officer Friendly
- Residential Security Survey
- Babysitting Instructional Programs
- Safety Town
- Lutheran Home Fall Prevention Committee
- Senior Citizen Safety/Fall Prevention Presentations
- Rapid Entry Secure Keybox Program
- Property Maintenance Inspections
- Fire Inspections
- Outdoor Warning Siren System
- Special Needs Advisory Panel
- National Night Out



Traffic:

- Operation Lifesaver
- Child Passenger Safety Seat Inspection
- AARP Driver Safety Program
- Driver's Education
- Safety Town
- Pedal Car Program (Impairment Simulator)

- Click It or Ticket
- Roadside Checkpoints
- Speed Enforcement Program
- Crossing Guards

Occupational:

- Fire Extinguisher Training
- Village of Arlington Heights Safety Committee
- Arlington Heights Park District Safety Committee
- Arlington Park Racecourse Safety Committee
- Racing to Safety
- Preventing Back Injuries Lifting Program
- Bloodborne Pathogen Training
- First Aid/CPR/AED Training
- Employee Assistance Programs
- National Association of Professional Drivers Training For Emergency Responders
- Park District Defensive Driving for Staff Members
- Public Works Plow Truck Driver Training
- Robbery Prevention and Awareness
- Firefighter Fitness Program
- Neighborhood Watch
- Operation Lifesaver
- Pedal Car Program (Impairment Simulator)
- Business Security Survey
- Standardized School Crisis Plan
- Fire Safety Referral Program
- Rapid Entry Secure Keybox Program
- Property Maintenance Inspections
- Fire Inspections
- Outdoor Warning Siren System
- Annual Safety Training for District 25, District 214, Village of Arlington Heights Employees

School:

- Standardized School Crisis Plan
- Building Security
- Anti-bullying
- Vanguard School
- Students Against Destructive Decisions
- Girls Fight Back
- Operation Respect Each Other
- Rational Emotive Behavior Education
- Lock-down Drills
- Crime Stoppers
- Citizen Observer
- Internet Safety
- Neighborhood Watch
- School Safety Advisory Task Force
- Outdoor Warning Siren System
- Peer Mediation Program
- *Im*PACT CONCUSSION MANAGEMENT SERVICE
- Fire Evacuation Drills

- School Bus Evacuation Drills

Sports:

- Park District Coach Training Program
- Neighborhood Watch
- Officer Friendly
- Park Inspections
- Outdoor Warning Siren System
- Aquatics Training
- *ImPACT* CONCUSSION MANAGEMENT SERVICE
- PDRMA Accreditation

Leisure:

- Outdoor Warning Siren System
- Park District ThorGuard Lightning Prediction System
- Emergency Citizen Alert System
- Girls Fight Back
- Ellis Lifeguard Training
- Counselor In The Parks
- Playground Inspection Program
- Senior Center Woodshop Safety Training
- Infant Swimming Resource
- Crime Stoppers
- Citizen Observer
- Internet Safety
- Neighborhood Watch
- Officer Friendly
- Students Against Destructive Decisions
- Pedal Car Program (Impairment Simulator)
- Safety Alert Whistle Program
- Safety Town
- Special Event Fireguards and Ambulance Details
- Children At Play (C.A.P.) Program
- Fire Department Open House

Violence prevention (intentional injuries):

- Citizen Observer
- Crime Stoppers
- Problem Oriented Policing
- National Night Out
- Donuts With Doug
- Neighborhood Watch
- Officer Friendly
- Justice Assistance Grant (Gang/Drug Enforcement)
- Anti-bullying Programs
- Rational Emotive Behavior Education
- Girls Fight Back

Suicide prevention (self-inflicted injuries):

- Project Safety NET
- Depression and Suicide Prevention in Adolescents
- Elyssa's Mission

- Erika's Lighthouse

Programs aiming at "High-risk groups":

- Collaborative Healthcare Urgency Group (CHUG)
- At-risk Day Camp Program
- "Fight Like A Girl" Self Defense Program
- Self Defense for People with Disabilities
- Lutheran Home and Services Fall Prevention Committee
- Senior Home Inspection Program
- SAFE Anti-violence Initiative
- Prescription Drug Disposal Program
- Emergency Information Packets
- Home Alone Program
- Everbridge Emergency Notification System
- Neighborhood Watch
- Special Needs Advisory Panel
- Trunk or Treat
- Medical Reserve Corps
- Standardized School Crisis Plan
- Senior Emergency Preparedness Kits
- Children At Play (C.A.P.) Program
- Project Reclaim
- PADS
- Journeys from PADS to HOPE
- Kids on Track Summer Day Camp
- What You Need to Know About Kids and Drugs Symposium

Surveillance of injuries: Primary data sources for injury surveillance are:

- Village of Arlington Heights EMS run data
- Illinois Project for Local Assessment Needs
- Illinois Department of Transportation crash data
- Northwest Community Hospital Emergency Department statistics

Produced information material, pamphlets:

"Preparing Makes Sense ...Get Ready Now" - Emergency preparation information kit consisting of a DVD/VHS video and accompanying handbook
Arlington Heights Prescription Drugs and Sharps Disposal Program
Arlington Heights Police Department Safety Flyers

Staff

Number: 482 (Total)

Professions: part-time or full-time: 426 full-time; 17 part-time

Permanent: 443

Temporary: 39

Organization: Village Of Arlington Heights

Specific intersectoral leadership group: Arlington Heights Safe Community Coalition

General public health/health promotion group: Village of Arlington Heights Health Services Department