### A Message from Director of Police Sam C. Pitassi



Sam C. Pitassi Director of Police



### **Melrose Park Police Department**

# Important Parking Notice for Melrose Park Residents

A QUICK NOTE TO UPDATE WEEKEND PARKING RULES

Effective April 1, 2025, parking will be permitted on both sides of the street on weekends (Friday, 5 p.m.-Monday, 9 a.m.) until Dec 1, 2025.

These hours do not include the Winston Park and West Melrose areas.

REMEMBER, PARKING IS NEVER ALLOWED ON EAST AND WEST STREETS — 2-6 A.M.

ALL VILLAGE OF MELROSE PARK
PARKING RESTRICTIONS WILL BE STRICTLY
ENFORCED AND TICKETS WILL BE
WRITTEN FOR CARS VIOLATING
CURRENT AND FUTURE PARKING RULES.

### STREET SWEEPING BEGINS TUESDAY, APRIL1

Beginning Tuesday, April 1, the street sweeper will be out sweeping roadways.

Please follow all street sweeping signs located on village streets.

Please remove your vehicle from the street to help expedite sweeping.

## **Provide an Anonymous Crime Tip**

The Melrose Park Police Department relies on individuals to help prevent and solve crimes in our community.

If you have information about criminal activity, please submit it.

However, if you would like to be contacted by a police officer, just include a telephone number or email address where you can be reached. Submit to tips@melroseparkpd.com.

Visit the Melrose Park Police Department Website at www.melroseparkpd.com ...
• For Melrose Park Police Department General Information • To Pay Tickets • To Obtain Police Reports

The website can be translated to Spanish and Polish.

## Melrose Park Police Department Announces New Overnight Parking Program

The village of Melrose Park ordinance 10.44.080 states that parking is prohibited during certain hours on certain streets. It is unlawful, during the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m., for any motor vehicle to be parked on any and all of the following streets:

- a) From Ninth Avenue to 25th Avenue, all streets traveling in an easterly and westerly direction in the village.
- b) From 31st Avenue to 37th Avenue.
- c) In the area commonly known as "Winston Park".

As a "courtesy" the Police Department realizes that issues may arise where street parking is necessary. The Police Department will allow parking as indicated below.

Some streets (or portions of) allow west-side/east-side parking during these hours. Permission cannot be granted on the west-side/east-side streets and in the event the computer system grants permission in error you are still liable. If you need to park your vehicle overnight you must submit your request using the online form at https://melrosepark-il.dacragov.com/il/melrosepark/nightparking.

If a resident needs overnight parking for more than three days due to extenuating circumstances, please contact the Melrose Park Police – Traffic Department, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., at (708) 344-8409. Each request will be handled on a case-by-case basis.

The Police Department reserves the right to revoke the privilege of those utilizing this night park system if a person is found to be falsifying or manipulating the system in order to obtain extra days of parking.

- Requests must be received prior to the midnight cutoff.
- Overnight parking is limited to three nights within a 30-day period.
- Any incorrect information entered resulting in the issuance of a citation will not be a reason to dispute the citation in question.
- Overnight parking cannot be granted for residents of multi-family (apartment) buildings.
- Overnight parking will not be granted when there is two inches or more of snowfall.
- Motor vehicle must be legally parked.

For more information, visit melroseparkpd.com

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The Melrose Park Police Department is participating in a new public safety program that will enable the people of Melrose Park to help keep their community safe.



Your participation will greatly enhance emergency preparedness by enabling police, fire, and public safety professionals to better assess and rapidly respond to criminal activity and emergency situations. It will also enable investigators to easily gather evidence in case of an incident.

3 Ways to Get Involved



#### REGISTER YOUR CAMERA

Your participation will greatly enhance emergency preparedness by enabling police, fire, and public safety professionals to better assess and rapidly respond to criminal activity and emergency situations.



#### INTEGRATE YOUR CAMERAS

Businesses and residents can take community security one step further by giving the Melrose Park Police Department and first responders direct access to your camera feed in case of a nearby emergency.



#### **PURCHASE CAMERAS**

Businesses and residents can purchase a camera that directly integrates with the Melrose Park Police Department and first responders. We'll even handle the installation.



"The Melrose Park Police Department is excited to offer a new way for citizens to contribute to the reduction of crime in Melrose Park through the use of technology and the Melrose Park Safe program."

MELROSE PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT







## Always Stepping Up ...

# A Gracious Thank You from MPPD Director of Police Sam Pitassi and Deputy Chief Greco

Outstanding Work by Holiday Detail Team to Keep Melrose Park Safe Did Not Go Unnoticed

Dear Members of the Melrose Park Police Department Holiday Detail Team,

Director Sam Pitassi and I would like to extend our sincere thanks to each of you for your outstanding work during the holiday detail. Your presence was greatly appreciated by store owners and did not go unnoticed. We observed a noticeable reduction in retail thefts and the arrests made, as well as a decline in car burglaries. While we have not yet reviewed the official statistics, we are truly grateful for your hard work and dedication.

Thank you again for your efforts.

Best regards,
 Deputy Chief Anthony Greco

# MPPD's Greco, Natale, Recognized by Cicero Police Department for Outstanding Service

The Melrose Park Police Department's Deputy Police Chief Anthony Greco and Sgt. Dennis Natale, members of the WESTAFF Investigations and Forensics Unit, were recognized earlier this year by the Cicero Police Department for their excep-

tional work and commitment to joint agency operations.

WESTAFF is a vital component and valued partner to the Cicero Police Department's coordinated response to Cicero's most critical needs. WESTAFF members routinely demonstrate an exceptional standard of professionalism and sacrifice by responding to Cicero's homicide call-outs that occur unpredictably and often outside of their regular work hours. That sacrifice includes time away from their personal lives, but also time away from their respective caseloads at their home agency. Their strength in numbers best charactizes the WESTAFF task force, but also their strength of team character.

The Cicero Police Department is grateful to Deputy Chief Greco and Sgt. Natale for their continued support and partnership, and proudly presented its Superintendents Award (signed by Cicero PD Supt. Thomas Boyle, First Deputy Supt. Luis Gutierrez and Deputy Supt. Francisco Diaz) to each of these hardworking individuals for the exemplary and professional work that contributed to the overall public safety of the Cicero community.



Deputy Chief Greco and Sgt. Natale - Melrose Park thanks you so much for all you do to keep our village and its neighboring communities safe for all.

## **Congratulations to MPPD Officer Paul Rossi!** First Responder Achieves Illinois' Master Tactical Patrol Officer Status

Melrose Park Police Ofc. Paul Rossi has once again successfully completed another training milestone. In October 2019, Ofc. Rossi achieved his Master Tactical Patrol Officer status within the state of Illinois. On May 17, 2024, he completed an intense four-week training program, achieving yet another highly distinguished title as an Illinois active threat master instructor!

"This first in the nation cooperative training and instructor certification process will provide the knowledge, specialized skill sets and associated instructor materials for graduates to develop, implement and teach a comprehensive ILETSB State Certified Active Threat Response Curriculum. This coordinated state-wide training initiative has been endorsed and adopted by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board, the Illinois State Police, the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System and the Illinois Tactical Officers Association".

Mayor Serpico, Director of Police Pitassi and Deputy Chief Greco extend their congratulations to Ofc. Rossi on another job well done on achieving these remarkable training achievements.



MP Police Officer Paul Rossi