



# WELCOME TO WEST ALLIS



A CITIZEN'S GUIDE TO  
WEST ALLIS, WISCONSIN



**2016-2020  
Mayor and Common Council**



*Front row: Daniel Roadt, Gary Barczak, Mayor Dan Devine, Vincent Vitale, Thomas Lajsic. Back Row: Kevin Haass, Martin Weigel, Cathleen Probst, Rosalie Reinke, Michael May, Michael Czaplewski.*

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Welcome! We are excited that you have chosen to make West Allis your home. The City of West Allis is a hidden gem in Southeast Wisconsin. It continues to reestablish itself as an up and coming city that is shedding its image as an old industrial town. Our vibrant neighborhoods are filled with unique, independent restaurants and eclectic shopping options. We also offer the friendly advantages of a small town with the diverse benefits of living in a major urban city. West Allis' central location puts you 15 minutes away from just about everything the greater metro region has to offer.

*Dan Devine*

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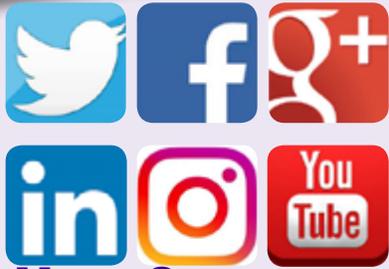
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## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

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Assessor's Office.....	(414)302-8230
Attorney's Office.....	(414)302-8450
Building Inspection/.....	(414)302-8400
Neighborhood Services	
Center for Excellence.....	(414)302-8330
Clerk .....	(414)302-8220
Communications .....	(414)302-8350
Development.....	(414)302-8460
Employment Hotline.....	(414)302-8280
Engineering.....	(414)302-8360
Farmers Market.....	(414)302-8600
Finance.....	(414)302-8260
Fire Department	
<b>EMERGENCY .....</b>	<b>911</b>
Non-emergency.....	(414)302-8900
Health Department .....	(414)302-8600
Birth & Death Certificates .....	(414)302-8633
Housing.....	(414)302-8430
Human Resources .....	(414)302-8270
Library .....	(414)302-8503
Mayor's Office.....	(414)302-8290
Municipal Court.....	(414)302-8181
Planning .....	(414)302-8460
Police Department	
<b>EMERGENCY .....</b>	<b>911</b>
Non-emergency.....	(414)302-8000
Night Parking Permission .....	(414)302-8100
Landlord Training Program.....	(414)302-8050
Gang Unit.....	(414)302-8115
Volunteer .....	(414)302-8134
Explorers (Ages 14-20).....	(414)302-8134
Public Works, Department of	
Sanitation & Street .....	(414)302-8800
Forestry & Grounds.....	(414)302-8811
Water Billing.....	(414)302-8245
Water Division.....	(414)302-8830
Weeds/Uncut Grass Control ...	(414)302-8825
Recycling .....	(414)302-8831
Purchasing.....	(414)302-8300
Senior Center .....	(414)302-8700
Sidewalk Problems.....	(414)302-8367
Treasurer .....	(414)302-8221

A Service Directory of additional contact information can be acquired at City Hall or by calling (414)302-8292, or visit [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov).

# STAY CONNECTED



## SOCIAL MEDIA SITES

The City of West Allis utilizes social media sites such as Facebook<sup>®</sup> and Twitter<sup>®</sup> to connect to its residents. The City uses these sites to not only share information from the City but to inform about events and businesses in the City. Various departments in the City such as the West Allis Police Department, the West Allis Fire Department, West Allis Health Department and the West Allis Public Library also have their own Facebook and Twitter accounts.

## CITY NEWSLETTER

The City of West Allis publishes a quarterly newsletter. It is mailed to all residential and business properties. It is also available on-line at [www.westalliswi.gov/newsletter](http://www.westalliswi.gov/newsletter). The City Newsletter is a great resource for City news and events.



## NEXTDOOR.COM

Nextdoor<sup>®</sup> is a social media site that uses your address to place you into your neighborhood's social network. The City worked with Nextdoor<sup>®</sup> to get the distinct neighborhoods mapped for their residents. Only your neighbors can see what is posted to your neighborhood. The City sees Nextdoor<sup>®</sup> as a great way to build neighbor relationships and is using the site to share pertinent city information from departments and elected officials for its residents. Sign up at [nextdoor.com](http://nextdoor.com).



City Channel 25 is West Allis' onsite government access television station and also an award-winning full service production facility that produces work of the highest professional quality. City Channel 25 produces programs about City services and operations, including:

- Live broadcasts of Common Council Meetings on the first and third Tuesday of each month.
- Live broadcasts of License & Health Committee Meetings on the fourth Tuesday of each month.
- Promotion of City sponsored events.
- Replay of MMSD Commission meetings.
- Videos to recruit, train or orient employees.
- Video Bulletin Board containing information and messages regarding City events, programs and services.
- Live Meeting Coverage.

You can find West Allis City Channel 25 on the following service providers:

- Time Warner Cable, channel 25
- AT&T U-Verse, channel 99

Visit our website [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov) for further information.

## eSERVICES

The City of West Allis offers many types of eServices for you to make payments and conduct other City business online.

Pay personal property taxes, real estate property taxes, special assessments, citations, water bills, purchase parking permits, request a bicycle license, and purchase a refuse cart. You can also look up property information, use the City's legislative information center, and search the municipal code.

Visit our website [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov) for further information.

## WIRELESS HOTSPOTS

The City of West Allis has installed free public wireless hotspots around the City. Any person with a laptop computer or other mobile device with wireless access can connect to the INTERNET at various parks and buildings around the City. Wireless Access is provided on an "as is" and "as available" basis. Please see your device's help documentation for how to connect with other laptops and other mobile devices such as phones and tablets. Visit our website [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov) for further information.



## KEEPWESTALLISGREEN.COM

KeepWestAllisGreen.com features information on how people can live more sustainably with the environment. Find out how you can prevent pollution, recycle, and reduce flooding. Learn about alternative transportation and buying or growing local produce. The site also highlights some of the projects the City of West Allis has accomplished to reduce its environmental impact.

Please share with your family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers. West Allis is a GREAT community. Please help make it a GREEN community.

Visit our website [www.KeepWestAllisGreen.com](http://www.KeepWestAllisGreen.com) for further information.

## KEEPWESTALLISCLEAN.COM

West Allis is a great community. Please help us keep it clean and healthy.

Please remember to:

- Keep your lawn mowed and weeded, and keep trees and shrubs clear of the city streets, walks, and alleys.
- Clean up after your pets daily.
- Contain your refuse and recycling properly to reduce rodent activity.
- Maintain homes and garages – peeling paint is unsightly.
- Only put out recycling the evening before collection day.
- Have vehicles registered, licensed and operable.
- Keep your yard free of trash, debris and building supplies.
- Minimize bird feeder spills that encourage rodent activity.

Visit our website [www.KeepWestAllisClean.com](http://www.KeepWestAllisClean.com) for further information.



## E-CYCLING

Many electronics such as computers, televisions and cell phones were banned from Wisconsin landfills when a new law took effect on September 1, 2010. These items contain harmful materials including mercury, lead and cadmium that are released into the air, water and soil if landfilled, incinerated or illegally dumped. Electronics contain valuable, reusable materials like glass, metal and plastic that can be recycled for new products. Reusing these valuable materials lessens environmental impacts by reducing the need for new materials. Since this law took effect, it has become increasingly difficult to properly dispose of the banned items. As a result, the West Allis Department of Public Works began a PILOT program in July 2015 to accept electronics. This program is ONLY for one to four family residential properties in West Allis. Individuals will be required to show identification to verify they are West Allis residents.

Items may be brought to the Municipal Yard at 6300 West McGeoch Avenue. Hours of operation are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 7:15 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Wednesday from 7:15 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. It is recommended that you remove all personal or confidential information from devices prior to drop-off. The City of West Allis is not responsible for data left on devices. For more information, visit the City's website at [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov) or call the Recycling Office at (414)302-8831 or the Sanitation Office at (414)302-8800 weekdays from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Most electronics will be accepted at no charge. However, for certain items, such as projection or console televisions and computer monitors, there will be a nominal fee.

The e-cycling pilot program may be discontinued at any time. Items accepted and prices are subject to change.

For a complete list of accepted items and current fees, visit [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov).

# QUICK FACTS



County:	Milwaukee
Population:	60,329
Housing Units:	23,313
Square Miles:	11.402
Median Home Sale Price:	\$155,300
Median Household Income:	\$49,722
Park Land:	~1150 Acres
Bike Trails:	15 miles



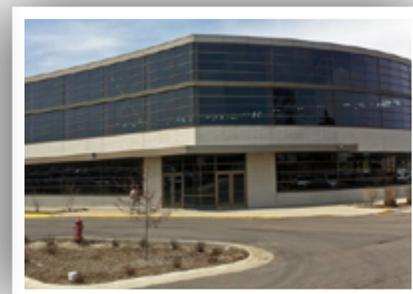
## PLACES OF INTEREST IN THE AREA

- Betty Brinn Children's Museum
- BMO Harris Bradley Center, home of the Bucks & Admirals
- Boerner Botanical Gardens
- Crosstown Connector Bike Trail
- Discovery World Museum
- General Mitchell Airport
- Hank Aaron Bike Trail
- Harley Davidson Museum
- Henry Maier Festival Park (Summerfest & Ethnic Festivals)
- Lake Michigan Lakefront
- Marcus Center for the Performing Arts
- Miller Park, home of the Brewers
- Milwaukee County Zoo
- Milwaukee Public Museum
- Mitchell Park Horticultural Conservatory (The Domes)
- Oak Leaf Recreational Trail
- Pettit National Ice Center Olympic Training Facility
- Santiago Calatrava's famed Milwaukee Art Museum
- The Milwaukee Mile
- West Allis Farmers Market
- Wisconsin State Fair and Expo Center
- ...and numerous parks, golf courses, lakes and beaches



## MAJOR EMPLOYERS IN WEST ALLIS

- Aurora West Allis Medical Center
- Brookdale Senior Living (formerly Alterra)
- C&H Distributors
- Cardinal Capital
- Children's Hospital of Wisconsin
- Chris Hansen Lab, Inc.
- Graybar Electric
- Johnson Controls, Inc.
- Milwaukee Area Technical College
- Motor Castings Co.
- Poblocki & Sons
- Quad/Graphics, Inc.
- Sullivan/Schein Dental Products
- Toshiba International Corp.
- Unit Drop Forge Co.
- ...and numerous others



# CITY EVENTS



## MEMORIAL DAY EVENTS

A Memorial Day Program supported by the City of West Allis and coordinated by The Allied Veterans' Organizations of West Allis takes place each Memorial Day at Veterans' Memorial Park at South 70 Street and West National Avenue. The program begins with a parade, followed by a memorial service. Visit our website [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov) for further information.



## WEST ALLIS A LA CARTE

West Allis A La Carte is a street festival along Greenfield Avenue from S. 70 Street to S. 76 Street that occurs the first Sunday in June to showcase the Downtown West Allis business district and bring the West Allis community together for activities for all ages, from face painting and music to food vendors. West Allis A La Carte is organized by the Downtown West Allis Business Improvement District. Visit [www.westallisdowntown.com](http://www.westallisdowntown.com) for further information.



## SUMMER MUSIC IN THE PARK - JUNE THROUGH AUGUST

West Allis hosts two summer concert series at Veterans' Park at S. 70 Street and West National Avenue. Tuesday Night in the Park concerts are sponsored by the West Allis Police Department Community Services Bureau. Summer Band Concerts, sponsored by West Allis businesses, are held on Thursday evenings. Bring your blankets and lawn chairs and enjoy these free, family-friendly concerts. Visit our website [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov) for further information.



## INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

West Allis goes all out for Independence Day and makes the celebration last for several days. The Independence Day parade starts at S. 77 Street and Greenfield Avenue and proceeds to Veterans' Park at S. 70 Street and National Avenue where post parade entertainment provides fun for all. The Grandstand Show, featuring live music, and Fireworks cap the celebration at State Fair Park. Visit our website [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov) for further information.



## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

National Night Out is an annual crime prevention event sponsored by Aurora West Allis Medical Center. It is designed to strengthen neighborhood spirit and promote crime and drug prevention awareness. Activities include a community festival with many fun activities for kids and adults as well as neighborhood block parties. National Night Out is organized by the West Allis Police Department Community Services Bureau. Visit our website [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov) for further information.



## WISCONSIN STATE FAIR

West Allis plays host to the Wisconsin State Fair each August. More information about these eleven days of summer fun can be found on the State Fair website [www.wistatefair.com](http://www.wistatefair.com).

# CITY EVENTS



## SETTLER'S WEEKEND

Organized by the City of West Allis Historical Commission and held at the Historical Society Grounds at 84 Street and National Avenue, this annual event highlights the history of West Allis up to becoming a city in 1906. Visit with mountain men, trappers and Civil War re-enactors. Enjoy food, entertainment, local craftspeople and the 1848 log schoolhouse. Admission and parking are free. Visit [www.westallishistory.org](http://www.westallishistory.org) for further information.



## CAR SHOW

Held annually in October by the Downtown West Allis Business Improvement District along Greenfield Avenue, the car show features hundreds of classic cars, races, music, food and games the first Sunday in October from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Over 350 Classic Cars - "Hot Wheel" Races - Music - Food - Games. Fun for the Whole Family! Takes place on Greenfield Ave. from S. 70 Street to S. 76 Street and adjacent side streets. Visit [www.westallisdowntown.com](http://www.westallisdowntown.com) for further information.



## TRICK OR TREAT

Held in West Allis on the last Sunday in October, generally from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Residents are encouraged to light their porch/post light if they are participating in Meet 'n Treat. Check the City calendar for this year's date and times. Often the day before the City Meet 'n Treat, the Downtown West Allis Business Improvement District will hold its Halloween Hunt along Greenfield Avenue. Visitors are encouraged to come in costume for Halloween treats from participating Downtown West Allis merchants. Visit [www.westallisdowntown.com](http://www.westallisdowntown.com) for further information.



## COMMUNITY BREAKFAST OF THANKS & GIVING

Held the Monday of Thanksgiving week. This event is an expression of the community's spirit of thanks and giving and is an opportunity to help the less fortunate in our community. Proceeds from the breakfast are donated to West Allis food pantries. Visit our website [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov) for further information.



## CHRISTMAS ON THE AVENUE/CHRISTMAS PARADE

On the first Saturday of December, the holiday season in West Allis kicks off with Christmas on the Avenue along Greenfield Avenue between S. 70 Street and S. 76 Street. Christmas on the Avenue is organized by the Downtown West Allis Business Improvement District. Check their website for information about this year's event. At the end of the day, watch the the Tree Lighting Ceremony at Centennial Plaza, 7525 W. Greenfield Avenue. The City sponsored Christmas ceremony is followed by the West Allis Christmas Parade down Greenfield Avenue from the State Fair Park to S. 66 Street. Visit our website [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov) for further information.



## C.A.A.D. NEW YEAR'S EVE FAMILY EVENT

The WestAllis/West Milwaukee Community Alliance Against Drugs (C.A.A.D.), in cooperation with the West Allis Police Department, hosts an annual New Year's Eve Family event on December 31, at West Allis Central High School, 8516 W. Lincoln Avenue, from 6:30-11:00 p.m. This fun-filled evening offers many attractions, with plenty of food and refreshments for a nominal fee. Admission is free for C.A.A.D. members. Non members can join C.A.A.D. the night of the event. For complete details and costs, visit our website [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov) or call the WAPD Community Services Bureau at (414)302-8050.

## CITY AWARDS



West Allis has won many awards and recognitions over the years. Here are a few:

- Business Week Magazine named West Allis as a runner-up in the “Best Places to Raise Your Kids - 2010.” The data considered includes school performance, number of schools, household expenditures, crime rates, air quality, job growth, family income, museums, parks, theaters, other amenities and diversity. Affordability, safety and school test scores were given the greatest weight.
- Milwaukee-West Allis-Waukesha area named the second safest metro region by Forbes Magazine in October, 2009.
- The West Allis Fire Department has been awarded Accredited Agency Status by the Commission on Fire Accreditation International (CFAI) at the Center for Public Safety Excellence Commission. The West Allis Fire Department is currently one of only 175 agencies worldwide to obtain CFAI Accredited Agency Status.
- The West Allis Health Department is accredited through the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB), one of only eleven health departments in the nation to achieve national accreditation and the first in Wisconsin.
- City Channel 25, our on site government access television station, is an award-winning, full service production facility that produces work of the highest professional quality.
- Since 1999, the City of West Allis has received thirteen Significant Program Awards from Cities and Villages Mutual Insurance Company.

## COMMENDABLE PROPERTY AWARDS

The Forestry Division provides staff support for the Public Beautification Committee and sponsors the annual awards for the Commendable Property, Patriotic Display and Best Porch awards. Commendable Property Awards are presented annually to West Allis businesses and homeowners who devote extra effort to their property’s beautification and maintenance. Such efforts boost the City’s curb appeal and promote a sense of civic pride. Best Porch Awards are given to recognize homeowners for their efforts of displaying flowers, flags and other decorations on their porches. Patriotic Display Awards were created to increase awareness of patriotism and celebrate allegiance to our wonderful Nation. The recipients of all three awards are selected by the West Allis Beautification Committee in July and honored at a ceremony held in September. In addition to the award, a sign is posted at each property and the City’s Cable Communications Office creates video highlighting each property. This video may be viewed on City 25, our cable television station, throughout the year and on the City’s website. Submissions can be made online at [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov).



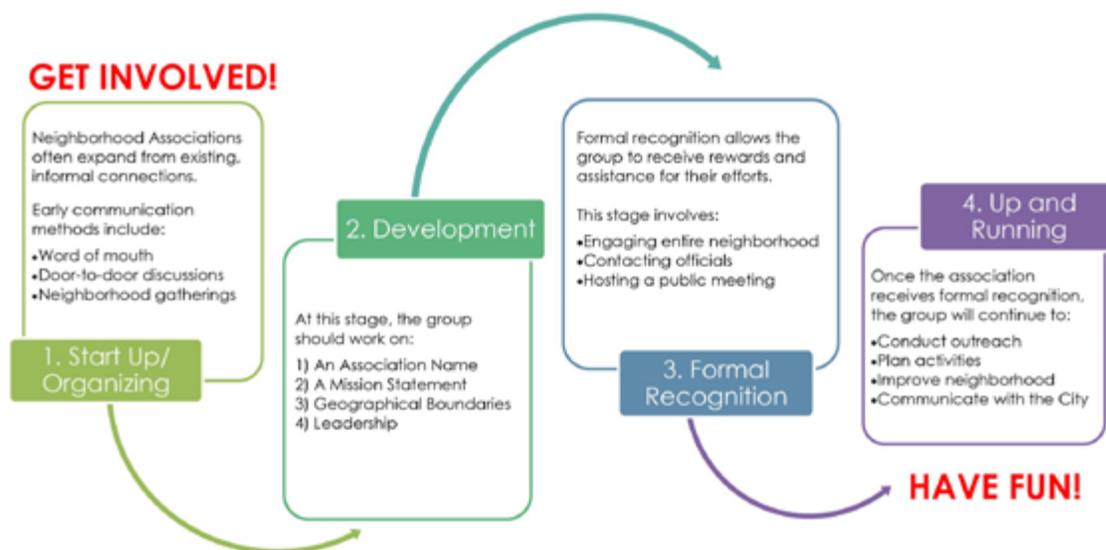
# NEIGHBORHOOD INVOLVEMENT



## NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS

Active citizens are important to the health and spirit of a community. Dedicated citizens help shape the quality of life in a neighborhood. Neighbors can work together on topics like an upcoming road construction project, organizing a neighborhood picnic, planning a neighborhood clean-up day and much more! As a resident, homeowner or business partner, your enthusiasm for an area can significantly impact and enhance the quality of life and economic value of a neighborhood – in a positive way!

Neighborhood associations are a great venue to capture the positive momentum of individuals and have proven successful in a number of communities across the nation. The City believes that increasing citizen participation benefits the whole community by creating a positive environment of shared responsibility and collaboration. To find out if you have a formed neighborhood association or to learn how to create a neighborhood association, call the Development Department at (414)302-8460.



## COMMUNITY GARDEN

The West Allis Community Garden in Rainbow Park is located at 700 S. 119 Street. The community garden is a collaborative effort between the City of West Allis, the WA-WM Community Garden Committee, the Milwaukee County Parks and the UW Extension. There are two sizes of garden plots on the west side of Rainbow Park. The garden plot sizes and rental fees are: 20×20 (\$28) and 14×16 (\$20). An application form can be obtained through the UW Extension by calling (414)256-4606 or by email at [rental.gardens@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:rental.gardens@ces.uwex.edu). The plots are tilled and ready for use by mid-May. If you are interested in a garden plot, you must obtain an application.

Visit our website [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov) for further information.

# EDUCATION



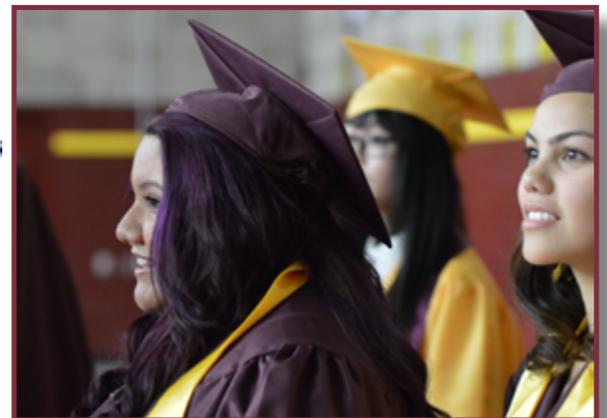
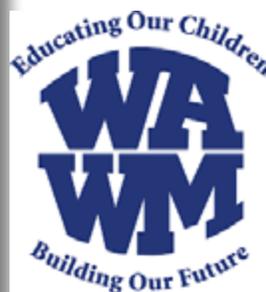
The West Allis-West Milwaukee School District is an integral part of the community's continuing growth and success. In partnership with business, family, and community leaders, the WAWM School District provides an educational program that prepares all students to graduate with the skills needed to be career and college ready, and meet the demands of our rapidly changing world by providing engaging instruction and a rigorous curriculum using a 21st century skill set.

The WAWM School District strives to ensure academic success for all through personalizing instruction to meet the needs of every student. Educators in the District systematically use State and District achievement data to align curriculum and collaborate for school improvement planning.

WAWM schools have been recognized 53 times since the 2006-2007 school year as Wisconsin Promise School of Recognition. This award is given to schools that have a significant percentage of poverty but consistently score above average on state assessment exams and close achievement gaps. One of two high schools in the WAWM School District continues to be named among the top 1500 high schools in the nation. WAWM students consistently earn recognition as Wisconsin AP Student of the Year and have received full-ride academic scholarships to Yale University.

Academic excellence is not the only measure of a great school system. WAWM schools take great pride in fine arts, athletic, and co-curricular programs that are second to none. The Gifted, Creative and Talented Program offers a variety of intellectually enriching opportunities for all students. Programs provided by the Student Services Department in developmental guidance and special education have gained a nation-wide reputation for excellence.

The WAWM School District serves the communities of West Allis and West Milwaukee. In addition to exceptional academics and co-curricular, the West Allis-West Milwaukee Recreation and Community Services Department, also part of the school district, offers recreational opportunities for all community members. Please call (414) 604-4900 or visit [www.wawmrec.com](http://www.wawmrec.com) for more information. For more information about WAWM Schools, please contact the Community Relations Coordinator at (414)604-3007 or visit the district website at [www.wawm.k12.wi.us](http://www.wawm.k12.wi.us).



# ELECTIONS



## POLLING PLACES

Each registered voter has a designated polling place as determined by aldermanic district and ward. Visit the Property Search application at [www.westalliswi.gov/propertysearch](http://www.westalliswi.gov/propertysearch) or call the City Clerk's office at (414)302-8220 to find out where to vote.

Poll hours are 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.

## SPRING PRIMARY

The nonpartisan primary held the 3rd Tuesday in February to nominate nonpartisan candidates to be voted for at the spring election.

## SPRING ELECTION

The election held on the first Tuesday in April to elect judicial, educational and municipal officers and nonpartisan county officers and to express preferences for the person to be the presidential candidate for each party in a year in which electors for president and vice president are to be elected.

## PARTISAN PRIMARY

The primary held the 2nd Tuesday in August to nominate candidates to be voted for at the general election.

## GENERAL ELECTION

The election held in even-numbered years on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November to elect United States senators, representatives in congress, presidential electors, state senators, representatives to the assembly, district attorneys, state officers other than the state superintendent and judicial officers, and county officers other than supervisors and county executives.

## Become an Election Inspector

The City of West Allis encourages all citizens to vote and to become involved in the election process. One of the most rewarding ways to contribute is to serve your community as an Election Inspector (poll worker). Citizen involvement is essential in conducting open, accurate and fair elections. Please contact the City Clerk's Office at (414)302-8220 if you are interested in applying for the position or if you would like additional information.

# PET REGULATIONS



Dogs and cats are required to be licensed. The due date for obtaining your pet's license is March 31. The fee for spayed/neutered pets is \$12.00, and the fee for unaltered pets is \$24.00. If the license is not applied for by March 31, there will be an additional late fee of \$6.00 or \$12.00 based on whether your pet is spayed/neutered. Please provide a copy of the rabies vaccination certificate and neutered/spayed documentation when applying for the license for your dog or cat.

Renewal and new license application may be submitted to either the City Clerk's Office, 7525 W. Greenfield Avenue, West Allis, WI 53214; or to the Milwaukee Area Domestic Animal Control Commission (MADACC) online at [www.madacc.com](http://www.madacc.com) or through the mail or in person at 3839 W. Burnham Street, West Milwaukee, WI 53215.

Special Note: There is a \$1.00 processing fee if you submit your payment to MADACC online or by mail. If you mail your license fee payment directly to the West Allis Clerk's Office, there is no additional processing fee. Contact (414)302-8220 for more information.

An Animal Fancier Permit is required for any person in a residential dwelling unit who keeps, harbors, raises or possesses any combination of more than two (2) dogs over the age of five (5) months and/or four (4) cats over the age of five (5) months, to a maximum of four (4) dogs and/or six (6) cats. For more information, please contact the West Allis Health Department at (414)302-8600.

For further information, visit [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov).

# PARKS AND RECREATION



## WEST ALLIS PARKS

- Rogers Playground (2045 S. 56th St.)
- Arnold Klentz Park (2625 S. 72nd St.)
- Honey Creek Park (8485 W. National Ave.)
- Kopperud Park (831 S. 76th St.)
- Liberty Heights Park (1548 S. 62nd St.)
- McKinley Park (1002 S. 72nd St.)
- Rogers Park (2022 S. 75th St.)
- Veterans' Memorial Park (6944 W. National Ave.)
- WAWM Recreation Center (1205 S. 70th St.)
- Reservoir Park (1715 S. 96th St.)
- Centennial Park and Plaza (7525 W. Greenfield Ave.)
- Radtke Park Skatepark (8390 W. National Ave.)
- Mini Park (5772 W. Beloit Rd.)
- Mini Park (6430 W. Greenfield Ave.)
- Railroad Park (8121 W. National Ave.)

## WEST ALLIS-WEST MILWAUKEE RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES

The West Allis- West Milwaukee Recreation & Community Services Department has programs for all ages, interests and talents. We have created a program service model to help all ages maintain an active and healthy lifestyle. Visit <http://www.wawmrec.com/index.htm> for more information.

## COUNTY PARKS LOCATED IN WEST ALLIS

- Greenfield County Park (2028 S. 124th St.)
- McCarty County Park (8214 W. Cleveland Ave.)
- Rainbow County Park (700 S. 119th St.)
- LaFollette County Park (9418 W. Washington St.)

## BIKE TRAILS

The **West Allis Cross Town Connector** represents an important start to a future link between three trails in Milwaukee County. Currently, the trail begins at a junction with the New Berlin Recreation Trail and Oak Leaf Trail north of Greenfield Park in West Allis and extends east to State Route 100.

The **Hank Aaron State Trail** follows the Menomonee River from Lake Michigan west about 13.5 miles. Before settlement, the river valley was a wild rice marsh and home to Native Americans. In the 1800s, the valley was filled in to pave the way for industry. The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway once thundered through, carrying passengers and goods to other parts of the country. The Hank Aaron State Trail now occupies much of that rail bed.

The well-used trail provides an ideal travel route for bicyclists, walkers, runners and inline skaters. It begins at Lakeshore State Park near the Henry W. Maier Festival Grounds in Milwaukee and heads west through the historic Third Ward, past Miller Park (home of Major League Baseball's Milwaukee Brewers), ending in Elm Grove at Blue Mound Road.

**Oak Leaf Trail** is the jewel in the crown of Milwaukee County's extensive trail system. The trail meanders more than 100 miles in and around the city of Milwaukee on a changing terrain of flat rural plains and hilly city streets. Nearly a quarter of the trail hugs the beautiful shores of Lake Michigan.

The trail is mostly smooth asphalt, with dozens of easily accessed connections that take you just about anywhere in the Milwaukee Metro Area. Three miles of the trail follow the route of an old Chicago and Northwestern line that was part of the railroad company's long-distance passenger service to Denver, Colorado and the California coast. The railroad's penchant for purchasing much of its equipment second-hand earned it the nickname "The Cheap and Nothing Wasted." The balance of the trail is made up of parkways and city streets.



# CITY HISTORY



In 1835, three courageous men, Ebenezer Cornwall, Ruben Strong and Peter Marlett left New York State and ventured to “Milwaukie.” When they arrived, the beauty of the rural district west of “Milwaukie” caught their eye. The three men placed their landmarks and went back to New York to get their families.

The first task of the early settlers who arrived from New York was to clear their lands of the many trees to unveil the fertile soil. The pioneers of Honey Creek soon learned to lay out their acres into truck farms. The produce raised found a ready market in the growing Milwaukee area.

The pioneers arriving at Honey Creek found certain well-traveled Indian trails that later became wagon roads. The Mukwonago Plank Road ran directly through the early settlement and crossed several other minor trails at what is now known as South 60<sup>th</sup> Street and West National Avenue.

In 1843, a log school was erected at the intersection of Harts Mill Road (South 84<sup>th</sup> Street) and the Mukwonago Road (National Avenue). In 1850, it was replaced with a cream city brick school, and in 1887 the Town of Greenfield replaced the brick school with the 5<sup>th</sup> District School, which became Garfield School after annexation of the area to West Allis. The school is now the home of the West Allis Historical Society.

In 1887, sections of the village of Honey Creek were platted, and the vicinity became known as North Greenfield, named after the township of Greenfield.

In 1891, the State of Wisconsin purchased the large dairy farm of a Mr. Stevens, complete with a mansion, several homes, many outbuildings and bounded on one side by the railroad. Mr. Stevens’ dairy farm is now the home of the Wisconsin State Fair.

Now it was necessary to provide transportation for the people of Milwaukee to the State Fair grounds; so in 1894, the Milwaukee Street Car Company extended its lines all the way to the Fair grounds, contributing to the rapid growth of North Greenfield. This attracted the attention of the manufacturers who brought industrial changes.

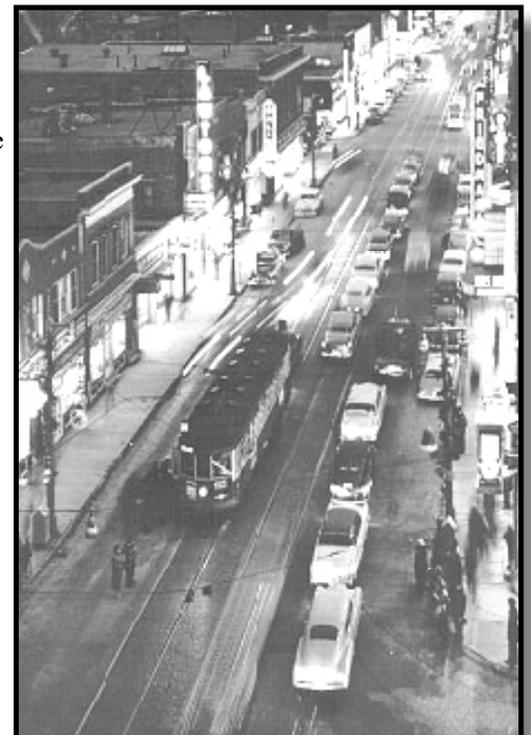
When the Edward P. Allis Company could not enlarge its plant on Clinton Street in Milwaukee, it decided to move to North Greenfield. When the Allis Company moved on November 26, 1900, it employed 3,000 persons and manufactured \$6,000,000 worth of machinery per year. Other companies quickly followed.

In 1902, the residents of North Greenfield voted to organize their village and call it West Allis. Fred Henderson was the first village president. In 1906, West Allis was chartered as a city with 2,400 acres of land and a population of 2,306. In 1954, a large annexation took place, doubling the total area of the city.

For additional information on the history of West Allis, contact the West Allis Historical Society at (414)541-6970, visit [www.westallishistory.org](http://www.westallishistory.org) or visit the Historical Society at 8405 West National Avenue, Tuesday evenings from 7-9 p.m. or Sunday afternoons from 2-4 p.m. City walking tour brochures are available at [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov).

## Population Growth of West Allis

Year	Population
1910	6,645
1920	13,765
1930	34,671
1940	36,364
1950	42,959
1960	68,157
1970	71,649
1980	63,982
1990	63,221
2000	61,254
2010	60,411



# ASSESSOR'S OFFICE



The City of West Allis Assessor's Office is responsible for the maintenance of property ownership information, a complete description of each property, and the valuation of all taxable property within the City in accordance with The Wisconsin Property Assessment Manual and Chapter 70 of the Wisconsin State Statutes.

Since 1848 in Wisconsin, "...taxation shall be uniform..." as required under the Preamble to the State Constitution.

It is the Assessor's primary responsibility under case law, statute, and our State Constitution to produce equitable and uniform property assessments in order to ensure that the burden of property tax is distributed fairly and equitably among all property owners.

It makes sense to most people that for property taxes to be considered "fair," similar properties should have a similar tax burden. Overall, property assessments should make sense and be consistent with each other.

An easy way to understand this is when comparing homes with one another. The newest, biggest, and best home in West Allis should have the highest assessment, and the oldest, smallest, and most run down house should have the lowest, with all other houses somewhere in between.

## Important Dates in the Assessment Process:

- January 1: All property is assessed as it existed on January 1.
- March 1: Last day to file property tax exemption request.
- March 1: Last day to file personal property returns.
- 2nd Monday in May: Board of Review meets. Will adjourn to a future date if Assessment roll isn't complete.
- December: Tax bills are calculated and mailed.

The West Allis Website ([www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov)) hosts the Assessor's Office web page. Here you will find information, forms, and reports to assist and educate. The City Property Search site provides a source for annual tax bills and payment information, ownership, property specifics, photos, sale history, voting sites, and listings of government officials. You will also find various forms for changing your mailing address, personal property reporting forms, and sales questionnaires. There is a section where you will find our reports on residential, commercial, apartment, and vacant land sales.

For further information, visit [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov).

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Answers to the Most  
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Important  
Information  
Concerning The  
Assessment  
Process

City of West Allis  
Assessor Office  
7525 West Greenfield Avenue  
West Allis, Wisconsin 53214  
414/302-8230  
[www.ci.west-allis.wi.us](http://www.ci.west-allis.wi.us)

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# BUILDING INSPECTION & NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES



## The Building Inspection and Neighborhood Services Department provides:

- Building permits
- Electrical permits
- Plumbing permits
- Occupancy permits (for operation of a business)
- Code enforcement (complaints and referrals)
- Inspection services
- Property owner registration

The Department of Building Inspection and Neighborhood Services also provides staff support for these Boards and Committees:

- Board of Appeals
- Property Maintenance Appeals Board

## PERMIT FEES

Permit fees are charged to offset the cost of providing inspection services for your project. Inspection services include both plan review and inspection of work done. Plans are reviewed to make sure that a project complies with applicable codes. Inspection costs will vary depending on the type of project. Inspection costs may be a cost per unit, a flat fee, a cost per \$1000 of value, or a cost per square foot.

For more information about permit fees for your project, contact the Department of Building Inspection and Neighborhood Services at (414)302-8400.

## INSPECTION SERVICES

Inspectors are in the office and available for phone and counter inquiries from 8 - 9:00 a.m., Monday through Friday. To schedule an inspection directly with an inspector, contact them during these office hours. You may also request an inspection by faxing your request to the Building Inspection Department at (414)302-8402.

Inspections will be made within 48 hours of the inspection request. Inspections are usually conducted between the hours of 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Both the Electrical and Plumbing Divisions require the contractor to inform the inspector when a job is ready for inspection, except for Homeowner Plumbing Permits. If arrangements for access need to be made with the property owner, those arrangements can be made after the contractor has contacted the inspector.

## PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INSPECTION PROGRAM

The Property Maintenance Inspection Program, which begun in 2001, instituted a proactive rather than reactive code enforcement area for exterior property maintenance through scheduled inspections of specific areas of the City first in the 1st Aldermanic District and later in the 2nd District. This program is funded with Community Development Block Grant funds and overseen by the Director of Building Inspection and Neighborhood Services.

## COMPLAINT/REFERRAL PROGRAM

Department of Building Inspection & Neighborhood Services investigates complaints/referrals involving building, mechanical and zoning code violations. If you wish to file a complaint, you may either call, e-mail or write a letter addressed to the City of West Allis Department of Building Inspection and Neighborhood Services, 7525 W. Greenfield Avenue, West Allis, WI 53214. Department policy requires all complaints be made in writing if they are renting or it is an interior complaint, because someone needs to let us in the building to inspect. You may remain anonymous when calling to make a complaint.

## CROSS CONNECTION

The City of West Allis is currently visiting homes and businesses in our service area to perform sump pump and cross connection inspections. This important, free benefit is being done in order to ensure that our customers continue to receive the highest quality water and waste water service available at the most reasonable cost. In accordance with the City of West Allis Revised Municipal Code Chapter 16.84(1)-(6) Cross Connection Control, and Chapter 16.78(6)-(8) Sump Pump discharge, and as mandated by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WI DNR 810.15) and Department of Safety and Professional Services Chapters DSPS 381-384, the City will be conducting periodic inspections for possible "Cross Connections" of the water supply. These periodic inspections are mandated once every 10 years for residential customers and once every 2 years for commercial and industrial customers. Inspections of residential customers can be by appointment with the Plumbing Inspector or with the Water Utility at scheduled water meter change outs.

For further information, visit [www.westalliswi.gov/BINS](http://www.westalliswi.gov/BINS).

*The Building Inspection and Neighborhood Services Department provides for the health, safety and welfare of the community through regulation of building and zoning codes.*

# DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT



## DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT

The Department of Development actively works to enhance the community by expanding the tax base, attracting employment opportunities, and improving the quality of life for its citizens. West Allis has become a leader in development in the metro-Milwaukee area by focusing on community growth through the redevelopment of older industrial properties and re-energizing neighborhoods with sound planning and housing programs. The Department administers economic and community development programs that assist start-up and business expansions, as well as housing programs through the Community Development Division, and administers planning and zoning responsibilities through the Planning & Zoning Division.



## PLANNING & ZONING DIVISION

The City Planning & Zoning Division, working closely with the Plan Commission, is responsible for land use decisions that promote the orderly development of the City. These decisions help create a community of lasting value that offers choices to our residents and businesses. Guided by staff and supported by public engagement, planning enables civic leaders, business interests and citizens to play a meaningful role in West Allis' development. The Planning & Zoning Division works primarily with businesses and the development community on improvements to the built environment and quality of life impacts within West Allis. Services offered include site, landscaping and architectural plan reviews, special use permits, zoning code oversight, comprehensive planning, land divisions and consolidations, historic preservation, and sign approvals.



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Working under the guidance of the City's Community Development Authority (CDA), the Community Development Division is responsible for improving the quality-of-life within West Allis and its unique neighborhoods and promoting economic development and redevelopment efforts. The Community Development Division also oversees the City's Housing programs and federally-funded Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. CDBG funds support community-wide public service programs, some public facilities improvements, and an Economic Development Loan program that can provide gap financing in the form of loans to businesses when private financial institutions won't cover the entire amount needed for the project, subject to particular job creation provisions.

Redevelopment within the City is also guided by the CDA, under the oversight of the Common Council. The CDA's primary tasks include the removal of blight and environmental contamination that affect the redevelopment of the city. Working with the private development community, the CDA leverages local, state and federal programs that promote urban regeneration and build on existing value.

For more information on commercial development within the City of West Allis, visit the Development page at [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov).



# FIRE DEPARTMENT



## EMERGENCY CALL 911

The West Allis Fire Department responds to calls for service out of three fire stations.

Fire Station 61 is located at 7300 W. National Avenue, with a response area from the east city limits to 92nd Street, the north city limits to the Union Pacific railroad tracks (1900 block south). The following apparatus are staffed at Fire Station 61 - Engine 61 and Med 1.

Fire Station 62 is located at 2040 S. 67th Place, with a response area from the east city limits to 92nd Street, the south city limits to the Union Pacific railroad tracks (1900 block south). The following apparatus are staffed at Fire Station 62 - Battalion 6 (Shift Commander), Engine 62, Truck 62 and Med 62.

Fire Station 63 is located at 10930 W. Lapham Street, with a response area from the west city limit (124th Street) to 92nd Street, the south city limits (3500 south) to the north city limits (100 south). The following apparatus are staffed at Fire Station 63 - Engine 63, Med 63.

In 2014, the department responded to 8,216 calls for service. Please see the latest annual report for further details.

The West Allis Fire Department is organized and dedicated to serve, protect and preserve the life and property of the citizens, businesses and visitors of West Allis. The department will provide this service with the highest level of professionalism through the delivery of fire prevention, public education, incident stabilization and emergency medical services, twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

To achieve this mission, the Department works with the City to ensure that there is proper and sufficient equipment and personnel available to respond to emergencies and to perform life-saving activities in an urgent manner.

### The Fire Department provides:

- Fire Operations
- Emergency Medical Services
- Public education and outreach programs
- Fire Prevention and Inspection services
- CPAT (Candidate Physical Agility Test)

## FIRE DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS

### Career Academy Program

Since 1998, the West Allis Fire Department partnered with programs at West Allis Central High School and Nathan Hale High School, taking juniors and seniors interested in a career in the fire service to spend a day mentored by a firefighter. The student is assigned to a fire company and observes the actions of the crew during the day. This shadow experience gives the student a feeling of the job demands that an interview does not.

In 2002, the ride along program was expanded to include WCTC fire interns who spend a 24-hour shift in the firehouse responding with on-duty personnel to various calls, and Emergency Medical Technician students from MATC and WCTC who respond on EMS calls. For additional information regarding this program, please contact the Safety/PIO Lieutenant at (414)302-8911.

### Juvenile Fire Safety Program

The West Allis Juvenile Fire Safety program has served as a model program throughout Wisconsin, and parts of the program have been used by fire departments throughout the United States and Canada. Our city is one of ten that has passed legislation making it illegal for minors to possess or purchase ignition devices, thus keeping these dangerous devices out of the hands of children. National statistics show that 40-60% of all children will play with fire before age 17. Many of the children seen by our fire safety educators were referred to the program through fire and police contacts and children's court referrals, but the majority were referred by a parent. This program identifies children who continue to play with fire despite fire safety messages from programs such as Survive Alive or information distributed at Fire Prevention Week. For additional information regarding this program, please contact the Bureau of Fire Prevention and Urban Affairs at (414)302-8904.

### Survive Alive Program

This program presents fire safety lessons that have prevented fires and saved lives in our city. The Survive Alive House is located within the West Allis Recreation Center at 2450 S. 68th Street. The house consists of an actual-size bedroom, hallway, stairs and porch area that enable firefighters to teach fire safety behaviors. The house was built with community raised funds, and its maintenance is overseen by a Board of Directors comprised of members from the WAWM School District, West Allis Fire Department and the community. For more information regarding this program, please contact the Bureau of Training & Safety at (414)302-8907.

### Knox Box Residential Entry Information

The West Allis Fire Department participates in the Knox Box Residential Entry Program. The program provides a means of access to your home in the event that you become injured and cannot unlock the door to your house. Residents can order a residential lock box from the Knox Corporation. These boxes are keyed with a unique key that only the West Allis Fire Department has access to. The box is mounted to an exterior door of your home. Inside the box is a key to your home. In the event that you become injured, fire department personnel can unlock the Knox Box, access the key to your house, and enter your home to provide emergency care without having to break a door or window.

### Adopt a Fire Hydrant

By keeping the hydrant clear of snow and ice during the winter months, you will be providing a helpful service to the West Allis Fire Department when accessing the fire hydrant. This is a voluntary program.

For further information on any of the above programs, visit [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov).

# HEALTH DEPARTMENT



The Health Department, located at 7120 W. National Avenue, offers a variety of clinics, services and free screenings including blood pressure screenings, lead testing, home and business inspections, immunizations, Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program and wellness screenings. Educational programs are also offered to area work sites, schools, churches and community groups in West Allis.

The goal of the West Allis Health Department is to protect residents from injury, illness, disability and the spread of disease through a variety of prevention and educational programs and activities. The Health Department has a diverse group of public health professionals including Public Health Nurses, Environmental Health Specialists, Health Educators, Nutritionists, a Dental Hygienist and other technical staff who work with individuals and community groups to identify and to find solutions or resources for health-related issues.

The Health Department is committed to ensuring the health of West Allis residents by providing these services:

- Public Health Nurses and Community Health Screening Technicians provide health screenings, counseling, communicable disease control, and referral to community resources, in a variety of settings for infants, children and adults.
- Dental health services.
- Health Educators offer health care education programs on a variety of topics.
- Environmental health services include compliance inspections, complaint investigations and lead poisoning prevention.
- Farmers Market.
- Services and activities for senior citizens at the Senior Center.
- Vital statistics, including birth and death certificates.
- Commercial scale and weight inspections.

For more information on available services and hours, please visit [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov) or call (414)302-8600.



## IMMUNIZATION CLINICS

Immunizations are very important to prevent certain communicable diseases and are required for day care and school. The Health Department offers immunizations to residents of all ages following the ACIP immunization schedule.

### Walk-in immunization clinics

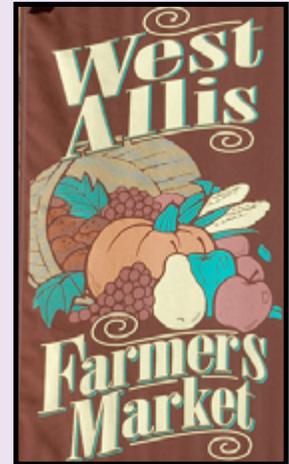
Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 p.m.  
Thursdays, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Immunizations are available by appointment every second Monday from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and every fourth Tuesday from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. To schedule an evening appointment, please call (414) 302-8600.

### TB Skin Tests Available (fee \$10 resident; \$20 nonresident)

Tuesdays, 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (by appointment)  
Wednesdays, 8:30 – 11:30 a.m. (walk-in)  
2nd Monday & 4th Tuesday of each month, 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. (by appointment)

For further information, visit [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov).



## FARMERS MARKET

An outdoor market located at 6501 W. National Avenue operates from the First Saturday in May through the Saturday after Thanksgiving, from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Saturdays and Noon to 6:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Fresh produce, garden plants, flowers and miscellaneous food items are sold.

Market Place (formerly Trash & Treasure) is held every Sunday from the first Sunday in May through the last Sunday in October at the West Allis Farmers Market. Hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Stalls may be rented by applying in person Monday through Friday at the West Allis Health Department. Please contact the West Allis Health Department at (414)302-8600 for more information and registration hours.

For further information, visit [www.westallisfarmersmarket.com](http://www.westallisfarmersmarket.com).



# HOUSING RESOURCES



## REHABILITATION AND HOME BUYERS LOAN PROGRAMS

The Housing Office offers a variety of loan and assistance programs to support home ownership and housing rehabilitation within West Allis.

**Housing Rehab Program:** Low-interest home improvement loans are available to owner-occupied properties. Loan amounts of up to \$20,000 are available, with payments as low as \$30/month and interest rates between 0% and 6% based on household size and income. Eligible properties are owner-occupied single-family homes or duplex units.

**Eligible improvements:** roofing, siding and trim, gutters and downspouts, windows and doors, furnaces, porch repairs, weatherization, plumbing, electrical, foundation repairs, landscaping, exterior painting... and more!

**Home Buyers Loan Program:** down payment and closing cost assistance. The City of West Allis Home Buyers Program provides low-interest loans to assist low-to-moderate income households with down payment and closing costs for single-family homes or owner-occupied duplexes located in the city. The loan assists with up to 1/2 of the down payment and closing costs, up to \$4,000, with an interest rate of 3%. Check with your lender to see if you are eligible.

## FREE HOME SECURITY PROGRAM

The Housing Office also offers a free "home security" program to eligible households. The security measures include deadbolt locks, pipes or burglar bars for basement windows, unbreakable glass over windows of entrance doors, door viewers and first floor window security.

Contact the WAPD Community Services Bureau at (414) 302-8133 or the Housing Office at (414) 302-8426 to find out if your household is income-eligible. Applications for the home security program can be dropped off at City Hall at the Housing Office. Once your application has been approved, it is sent to the Community Services Bureau, where arrangements will be made to come to your home for a security survey.

## BELOIT ROAD SENIOR APARTMENT COMPLEX

The Beloit Road Senior Apartment Complex is located on W. Beloit Rd. and W. Dreyer Pl., between S. 72 St. and S. 74 St., conveniently located next to a bus stop, shopping and in a quiet residential neighborhood. Recent rehab of the units includes new kitchen cabinets, countertops, flooring, updated bathrooms, new carpet and new appliances (refrigerator, oven/stove, microwave, washer and dryer in basement). Units include one (1) bedroom with a den and one (1) parking space. No pets are allowed. Applicants must be 62 years of age, or older, and must income-qualify to be placed on a waiting list. Please inquire with the Housing Office for more information, (414)302-8428.

It is the policy of the City of West Allis that all persons shall have an equal opportunity for housing throughout the City, regardless of sex, race, color, handicap, religion, national origin, sex or marital status of the person maintaining a household, lawful source of income, age or ancestry.

**LOW-INTEREST HOME IMPROVEMENT LOANS**

**Home Repair Program**

Don't pass up this great opportunity to improve your home! The City of West Allis has several options for low-interest home improvement loans for owner-occupied properties. Loan amounts of up to \$20,000. Payments as low as \$30 a month with interest rates between 0% and 6% based on household size and income. Eligible properties are owner-occupied single-family homes or duplex units.



**Eligible Improvements**

- Roofing
- Weatherization
- Siding and trim
- Plumbing
- Gutters and downspouts
- Electrical
- Windows and doors
- Foundation repairs
- Furnaces
- Landscaping
- Patch repairs
- Exterior painting  
... and more!

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**After**



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Down payment and closing cost assistance is available for owner-occupied duplexes located in the City of West Allis. The loan assists with up to 1/2 of the down payment and closing costs up to \$4,000 with an interest rate of 3%. Check with your lender to see if you are eligible.

Additional information for these programs available at:  
[www.westalliswi.gov/housing](http://www.westalliswi.gov/housing) or call  
 (414)302-8428

City of West Allis

**Home Buyers Loan Program**

Down Payment And Closing Cost Assistance



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# LIBRARY



## WEST ALLIS PUBLIC LIBRARY

7421 W. National Avenue  
West Allis, Wisconsin 53214

### LIBRARY HOURS

Monday & Wednesday	9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday	Noon - 9:00 p.m.
Friday & Saturday	9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Sunday (October – April)	1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

### TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Circulation & Inquiries	302-8503
Adult Reference	302-8500
Children's Department	302-8502
Administration	302-8505
Information Recording	302-8520

### LIBRARY CARDS

Any Milwaukee County resident may apply for a free library card. Please call (414)302-8503 for registration information. A parent or guardian must be present to sign an application for children under the age of 15.

Do not lend your library card to others. You are responsible for all items checked out on your record.

### CIRCULATION PERIODS

Books	3 weeks
New Fiction	7 days
DVDs/Videos	7 days
CDs	3 weeks
Audiobooks	3 weeks
Periodicals	7 days

Overdue charges are \$.10 per day, per item for print materials/CDs and \$1.00 per day, per item for DVDs/videos.

## SERVICES

Reference service is available in person, via email and by telephone.

Home delivery service is available to those who cannot physically come to the library.

### The Library has for your use:

Books	Internet Computers
Large Print Books	Wireless Internet
eBooks	Fax Service
Audiobooks	Study Rooms
Magazines	Databases that include journal articles
Newspapers	Music CDs
DVDs	

Computer and eBook classes are offered.

## PROGRAMS

Visit our website at [www.westallislibrary.org](http://www.westallislibrary.org) for program dates and times.

- Children's Story Time
- Leisure Timers
- Adult Programming
- Teen Programming
- Summer Reading for all ages
- Special Events

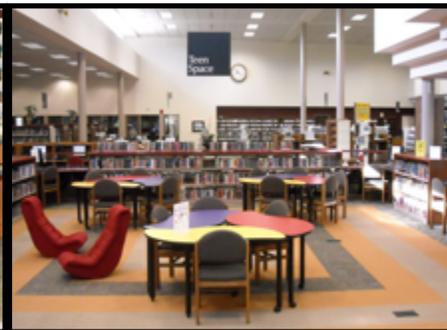
## CONSTITUTION ROOM

The Constitution Room seats a maximum of 100 people and is used for library programming but is also available for use by other organizations. Please contact the library for policy guidelines and applicable fees.

## THE FRIENDS OF THE WEST ALLIS LIBRARY

Membership forms are available at the library.

Website: [www.westallislibrary.org](http://www.westallislibrary.org)



# POLICE DEPARTMENT

## EMERGENCY CALL 911

The West Allis Police Department is located at 11301 W. Lincoln Ave. The Satellite Station is located at South 70<sup>th</sup> and W. National Avenue.

**Police Administration** oversees the operation of all Units, Divisions and Bureaus, budget, accreditation, grants, equitable sharing/asset forfeiture, citizen complaints, recruitment and professional standards.

**The Community Services Bureau** provides over 20 crime prevention and community service programs including, but not limited to, Citizen Police Academy, Parent/Spouse Academy, Combat Auto Theft, Concerned Parents, Crime Stoppers, Free Home Security, Landlord Training, National Night Out, Neighborhood Block Watch (over 500 established), Neighborhood Partnership Initiative and Graffiti Abatement, Pace Car Program. In addition, it also oversees the School Liaison Program. Officers who are assigned to our High and Middle schools act not only as law enforcement officers and positive role models, but also educate students on legal topics, victimization and the dangers of alcohol, drug, and tobacco use. A non-sworn victim advocate is assigned to this unit to assist in supply needed counseling and service referral to all victims of crime.

**The Criminal Investigations Unit** is tasked with conducting follow up in relation to major case investigations and assisting patrol officers with other investigations as necessary. Our detectives investigate crimes including, but not limited to, homicide, robbery, assault, financial crimes, arson, etc. Our detectives conduct prompt, diligent, and professional investigations and work closely with victims and complainants to solve problems, recover property and bring offenders to justice. The investigators utilize tactical crime analysis, innovative technology, creative investigative techniques, and partnerships with citizens, businesses, and other law enforcement agencies to effectively and efficiently investigate criminal activity relating to our community.

**The Sensitive Crimes Unit** is tasked with the investigation of crimes involving sexual assault and other crimes of a similar nature involving both adults and juveniles. The unit is responsible for the monitoring of sex offenders who reside in the community and the screening of those requesting to move into our community. In addition, members of this unit follow up on missing juvenile/adult investigations.

### **Internet Purchase Exchange Location**

With the increasing popularity of Internet purchases through Craigslist, eBay, Facebook, etc., the West Allis Police Department is offering the use of our parking lot to conduct these transactions in a safe location. The location is monitored by 24 hour video surveillance. We have installed an Internet Purchase Exchange Location sign in the front lot of our main police station, 11301 W. Lincoln Avenue, to designate an area for these exchanges to occur. Please feel free to utilize this location to safely conduct your face-to-face internet purchase transactions. Our lobby, which is also monitored by 24 hour video surveillance, can also be used.

### **The Special Investigations/Gang**

**Suppression Unit (SIU)** is responsible for the investigation of vice-related crime including, but not limited to, offenses surrounding illegal drugs/narcotics, gang-related offenses, weapons, prostitution, gambling and pharmaceutical diversion. The Special Investigations Unit focuses on these offenses at a local level. The SIU also works in conjunction with other local, state and federal agencies in the Milwaukee area to address these offenses regionally, which directly affect our community.

**The Communications Bureau** provides 365/24/7 dispatch services for the Police and Fire Departments. On an annual basis Police/Fire Dispatchers handle approximately 63,000 police calls for service and approximately 8,200 requests for Fire/EMS. The Communications Center is recognized by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) as a NCMEC 9-1-1 Call Center Partner. The Bureau is one of only two recognized NCMEC partners in the State of Wisconsin. In addition, the staff of the Communications Center are trained as Emergency Medical Dispatchers.

**The Records Bureau** maintains and updates all Department records and files, such as incident and accident reports; accepts payment of fees for citations; and provides copies of reports, parking permits, and citations. In addition, staff serves as first line of communication for citizen concerns/complaints.

**The Patrol Division** provides 365/24/7 proactive law enforcement. It is one of the largest and most visible components of the Department. Officers work three shifts and deployments can vary from foot patrol, bike and squad. Officers utilize problem oriented policing that is data driven. They are supported by a full time Crime Analyst. Specialized assignments include, but are not limited to: Crisis Response Unit (SWAT), Hostage Negotiation, Honor Guard and Field Training Program. The Patrol Division is supported by Neighborhood Partnership Specialists who work within identified troubled neighborhoods.

**The Traffic Bureau** conducts traffic crash investigations, provides traffic control and enforcement, traffic safety, parking enforcement and assistance for special events such as parades, runs, walks, etc. Traffic Investigators investigate all crashes involving fatalities and critical injuries as well as conduct follow up investigations on hit/run crashes and crashes that could not be finalized by the Patrol Division. The Traffic Bureau is also responsible for warrant processing, summons and subpoena service, prisoner transports, extraditions and hearings, and processing Circuit Court Traffic cases.

**The Training Bureau** is responsible for the implementation, delivery and coordination of training programs in the Department. In addition, the Training Bureau oversees the Police Reserve Unit, New Officer Training Program, Field Training Officer Program, Intern Program, Recruitment Program, Ballistic Vest Grant, Department of Justice Reimbursement, Honor Guard, K9, the Police Department Vehicle Maintenance Garage, and uniform & equipment purchases. All employee background investigations are coordinated through CIB and the Deputy Chief of Support Services.

**The Police Reserves** is a non-profit service organization comprised of approximately 25 volunteers who assist the Police Department by providing security at civic events, traffic control during parades, and a variety of other services, all at no cost to the City.

# PUBLIC WORKS



The Department of Public Works is a multi-functional department charged with the responsibility of providing a variety of services to the public as well as maintaining the City's multi-million dollar infrastructure.

Services provided by the Department of Public Works include:

- Maintenance and repair of the City's buildings and street signs by the Building and Sign Division.
- Maintenance of the City's street lighting and traffic control signals by the Electrical Division.
- Maintenance of the City's street trees and public grounds by the Forestry Division.
- Refuse and recyclables collection and disposal by the Sanitation Section.
- Maintenance of the City's streets, alleys, sidewalks and sewer systems by the Street and Sewer Section.
- Provision of safe and sufficient drinking water and water for fire protection by the Water Division.

Weekly refuse collection is provided to one, two and three family residences in the City of West Allis. Refuse must be accessible to crews at an alley or curb location by 7:00 a.m. on the assigned day of collection.

The City provides every other week recycling collection service for one to four family residences. Recyclables should be placed at the curb or alley edge by 7:00 a.m. on the same day as your refuse collection. Residents should use a 30 gallon see through plastic bag with a tie to contain their recyclables. For items that are currently accepted for recycling, visit the City's website. Recyclables may also be dropped off at the Municipal Yard.

Back door refuse/recycling collection service will be provided to households experiencing medical hardships and, for an annual service fee, to other households requesting the additional service.

## DROP-OFF SITES:

### MUNICIPAL YARD - 6300 WEST MCGEOCH AVENUE

Monday:	7:15 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday:	7:15 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday:	7:15 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Thursday:	7:15 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Friday:	7:15 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Saturday:	8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Sunday:	Closed

Check our website [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov) to find holiday closings.

### MORGAN AVENUE - ON SOUTH 116 STREET, SOUTH OF WEST MORGAN AVENUE

#### Hours Memorial Day – Labor Day

Monday:	7:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday:	7:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday:	7:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Thursday:	7:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Friday:	7:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Saturday:	8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Sunday:	Closed

#### Hours Labor Day – Mid-October

Monday:	7:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday:	7:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Wednesday:	7:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Thursday:	7:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Friday:	7:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Saturday:	Closed
Sunday:	Closed

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Mulch, which is ground up tree branches, is available on a self-serve basis when the gates are open at the City's Morgan Site. Bring your own shovel and container.



For further information on recycling, refuse collection and other Public Works services, visit [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov).

# SENIOR CENTER



The Senior Center is located at 7001 W. National Avenue. The West Allis Senior Center offers a wide variety of programs and activities for older adults in the community, offering a healthy quality of life where aging is viewed as positive, natural and purposeful. Under the administration of the West Allis Health Department, the Senior Center provides an outlet for social, educational and recreational opportunities. Membership is open to anyone age 55 and older and his/her spouse.

Whether it's a craft class, an exercise program, computer instruction or bowling, the Senior Center has something for everyone. Recreational and craft programs include Dart Ball, Billiards, Folk Dance, Wii Bowling, Sheepshead, Quilting, Stained Glass, and Knit & Crochet to name a few. Getting fit and staying healthy are easy with gentle aerobics classes, Arthritis Foundation's Exercise Classes and the Senior Center's Fitness Room, which is equipped with treadmills, recumbent bikes, Keiser weight equipment and Nu-Step machines.

The Senior Center also offers a variety of support groups and is a host site for the Milwaukee County Department on Aging's congregate Senior Meal Program. Other programs and activities held throughout the year include group tours, concerts, guest speakers, luncheons and holiday parties.



Volunteers are essential to the Senior Center's existence and the opportunities to help out and make a difference are endless. Volunteers assist with the daily operations, conduct classes, facilitate activities, assist with special events, and create "Gifts of Warmth" for others in need.

Copies of the Senior Center's newsletter are available at the Senior Center located at 7001 W. National Avenue; electronic copies are available on the City's web site [www.westalliswi.gov](http://www.westalliswi.gov). For more information, call (414)302-8700.

# WEST ALLIS INNOVATION



The City of West Allis is committed to providing cost effective municipal services and a positive and creative approach to the management and operation of the City. As such, goals for excellence in administration, which include preparation of "focused" annual objectives and action plans/strategies, use of team building, quality improvement strategies, and administrative and technological improvements and measurement of department performance have been adopted by the Common Council.

Please see [www.westalliswi.gov/innovation](http://www.westalliswi.gov/innovation) for further information.

# CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEES



The City of West Allis has a variety of committees, commissions and boards that assist in the operation of many of the functions of the City. Members of these committees are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Common Council. Citizens serve as valuable members of these advisory committees. Input by residents adds positive value to our community by helping the Mayor and Common Council effectively administer city services. Additionally, the citizens provide a broad perspective of ideas, talents and interests. Contact the Mayor's Office for more information.

## **Administrative Review Board**

Reviews challenges to administrative decisions made by City employees.

Meets as needed  
2 year term

## **Commission on Aging**

To advise the Mayor and the Common Council on issues affecting the welfare of senior citizens and develop policy for the operation of the Senior Citizen Center.

4th Monday of each month at 3:15 p.m.  
3 year term

## **Board of Appeals**

To provide controlled flexibility in the application of the City's zoning ordinances by allowing variances.

2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.  
3 year term

## **Public Beautification Committee**

To encourage a quality urban environment, beautification of property and administer the City's Beautification Award Program.

2nd Monday bi-monthly at 7:00 p.m.  
2 year term

## **Community Development Block Grant Committee**

To oversee and make suggestions for the use of Federal Community Block Funds received by the City.

At least once yearly  
2 year term

## **Capital Improvement Committee**

To review one, five and ten year capital improvement plans for the City.

Last Thursday usually Jan., May, Aug., at 6:00 p.m.  
3 year term

## **Civil Service Commission**

To ensure effective and fair personnel practices for the City.

1st Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.  
5 year term

## **Celebrations Committee**

To plan City celebrations.

1st Thursday of each month at 4:00 p.m.  
3 year term

## **Community Development Authority**

Charged with the authority for housing and redevelopment projects in the City.

2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.  
4 year term

## **Economic Development (Partnership) Committee**

Reviews and approves microenterprise loans to small startup and expanding businesses.

Quarterly, 1st Thursday of month at 7:30 a.m.  
3 year term

## **Ethics Board**

To set and enforce ethical standards for City public officials.

Yearly or as needed  
3 year term

## **Fair Housing Board**

To oversee the City's ordinance against housing discrimination.

1st Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m.  
3 year term

## **Board of Health**

Set by State Statutes to develop public health policy to protect and promote the health of West Allis residents.

4th Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m.  
2 year term

## **Historical Commission**

To preserve the history and heritage of the City.

Second Wednesday of each month at 4:00 p.m.  
5 year term

## **Library Board**

Set by State Statutes to oversee the City's Library.

4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.  
3 year term

## **Plan Commission**

Responsible for land use planning. Reviews architectural and landscaping plans.

4th Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.  
3 year term

## **Police and Fire Commission**

Set by State Statutes to organize and supervise the Fire and Police Departments and to prescribe rules and regulations for their management and control.

3rd Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m.  
5 year term

## **Board of Review**

To review objections to assessments of property by the City Assessor and establish the assessment role.

As called by City Clerk  
5 year term

## **Youth Commission**

Involve youth in the civic life of the City, with assistance of adult advisors.

Second and Fourth Monday of each month during school year at 7:00p.m.  
1 year terms to be renewed as long as youth is a student

# CITY AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS



## BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

West Allis Downtown, a non-profit organization formed in 1989, dedicates time and professional talents to help the community develop in a proficient and beneficial way. This volunteer group is currently made up of many individuals and businesses, helping West Allis continue to become a prosperous, friendly community.

Businesses located in West Allis Downtown and surrounding areas benefit from the efforts of our organization. Members are made aware of preserving the area while striving to attract new businesses and uplift current ones. Volunteers get involved in cooperation with other West Allis organizations to present a positive image to visitors and residents alike.

Downtown West Allis Business Improvement District is part of the Wisconsin Main Street Program. West Allis is truly honored to be part of this successful and proven program. Established in 1987, Wisconsin Main Street encourages and supports the historical and economical redevelopment of traditional business districts of downtown areas in Wisconsin.

For further information, visit [www.westallisdowntown.com](http://www.westallisdowntown.com).



## WEST ALLIS/WEST MILWAUKEE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The West Allis/West Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce actively promotes economic development and business retention in both communities, enhances the images of West Allis and West Milwaukee and their business communities, sponsors programs and services which are responsive to member needs, serves as both an information center for business and residents, and as a collective voice on economic issues affecting both West Allis and West Milwaukee. Give us a chance to explain how the West Allis/West Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce can help you increase your business potential. Call (414)302-9901 for an appointment or visit us on the first level of Summit Place, 6737 W. Washington Street, Suite 2141.

For further information, visit [www.wawmchamber.com](http://www.wawmchamber.com).



## COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT FOUNDATION

Over the years, the City of West Allis has initiated programs of redevelopment and civic improvement in an effort to continue to offer its residents high quality services; cultural, educational and recreational opportunities; facilities, programs and a healthful environment. In order to afford a means by which residents and friends can directly aid and support such programs, the City of West Allis organized and established the West Allis Community Improvement Foundation, Inc. The Foundation is organized on a not-for-profit basis exclusively for charitable purposes and is a qualified 501(c)(3) organization.

For further information, visit [www.westallisfoundation.org](http://www.westallisfoundation.org)

# City of West Allis Municipal Buildings



City Hall  
7525 West Greenfield Avenue  
West Allis, Wisconsin 53214  
414/302-8200



Fire Station #1  
7300 West National Avenue  
West Allis, Wisconsin 53214  
414/302-8900

**EMERGENCY 911**



Fire Station #2  
2040 South 67 Place  
West Allis, Wisconsin 53219  
414/302-8900

**EMERGENCY 911**



Fire Station #3  
10830 West Lapham Street  
West Allis, Wisconsin 53214  
414/302-8900

**EMERGENCY 911**



Health Department  
7120 West National Avenue  
West Allis, Wisconsin 53214  
414/302-8600



Library  
7421 West National Avenue  
West Allis, Wisconsin 53214  
414/302-8520



Police Department  
11301 West Lincoln Avenue  
West Allis, Wisconsin 53227  
414/302-8000

**EMERGENCY 911**



Public Works  
6300 West McGeoch Avenue  
West Allis, Wisconsin 53219  
414/302-8888



Senior Center  
7001 West National Avenue  
West Allis, Wisconsin 53214  
414/302-8700

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