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ComEd Awards ‘Green Region’ and ‘Powering Safe Communities’ Grants to Village of Buffalo Grove

Buffalo Grove, Illinois – The Village of Buffalo Grove recently received two grants from ComEd that promote sustainability, health and safety for the residents of Buffalo Grove. Each program offers grants of up to \$10,000 each, which were awarded to a maximum of 25 municipalities.

The Buffalo Grove Police Department received a public safety grant from the Powering Safe Communities program, which is jointly supported by ComEd and the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus. The grant exists to assist with funding for public safety projects.

The Police Department grant will help fund the installation of an automated external defibrillator (AED) in a police vehicle. An AED is a life-saving piece of equipment that is utilized when someone is experiencing cardiac arrest. The department’s goal is to add one AED to their patrol fleet each year, moving forward.

Additional information on the Powering Safe Communities Program can be found here: <http://mayorscaucus.org/initiatives/environment/psc/>.

Buffalo Grove also received an Openlands grant from ComEd’s Green Region program that provides funding for open space projects, including parks and recreation resources, through conservation and preservation initiatives.

The Village’s Public Works Department in partnership with Jeff Weiss, Chair of Buffalo Grove Park District’s Environmental Action Team, received the grant for the Farrington Connect the Corridor Project which aims at restoring streambanks, buffer areas, basins and woodland along Farrington Ditch. When the project is completed, it will create a continuous corridor that can be used by people and animals, and populated by native plants, and will also connect Buffalo Grove parks with public lands.

Additional information on the ComEd Green Region Program can be found at www.openlands.org/greenregion.

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