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Fire Department.....	425-1420
Health Department.....	425-9101
Human Resources.....	427-7505
Library.....	425-8214
Municipal Court.....	425-4768
Parks.....	425-7500
Planning Department.....	425-4024
Police Department.....	425-2522
Public Works.....	425-2592
Recreation.....	423-4646
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Payment of Property Tax Bills

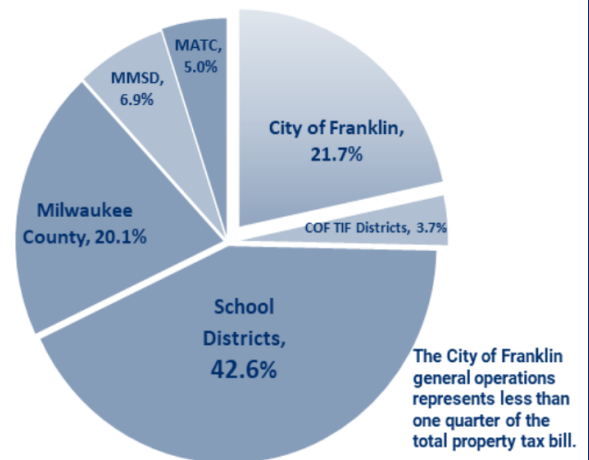
Due to the ongoing pandemic, and the surge of recent cases, we are strongly urging payment of property tax bills online, by mail, or depositing in the City's drop box rather than paying in person at the Treasurer's Office at City Hall. Payments made online will result in an immediate receipt, and mail and drop box payments will result in a receipt being mailed back to you upon receipt of the payment. In addition, you are able to verify through the City's Property Tax Web Portal at <http://gcs.franklinwi.gov/GCSWebPortal/Search.aspx> that your payment has been received. **Thank you very much for doing what you can to keep yourself and others safe during these difficult times.**

The Adopted 2021 Budget and the 2020 Property Tax Bills

Property tax bills are scheduled to be mailed the week of December 7, 2020. These property tax bills will reflect the total property taxes to be collected from all of the applicable taxing jurisdictions, including the City of Franklin, the local school district, MATC, MMSD, and Milwaukee County. Under the law, the City is required to collect the property taxes for 7 different taxing authorities. As can be seen from the graph below, the City of Franklin is directly responsible for only approximately one-quarter of the total property tax charges. Please see the related "Property Tax Bill Questions" and "Property Tax Bill Payments" articles on Page 3 of this newsletter for information on tax bill payment options and Treasury Office hours.

The City of Franklin portion of this year's tax bill funds local municipal services provided by the City in 2021. That bill includes a 0.81 percent increase in the tax levy. The entire increase is attributed to new development that has occurred in the City in 2019; which means that the tax rate has generally decreased. If, however, an individual property value increased by greater than 6%, the taxes would increase for that property; otherwise, if a property's value remains the same as the previous year's value or increased by less than 6%, the taxes will be equal to or less than the previous year's taxes. The approved budget continues to focus on maintaining City services, protecting City assets, and using resources responsibly to prudently serve the City of Franklin.

Approximate Breakdown of Tax Dollars by Each Taxing Jurisdiction



New development and changes in individual property values will offset the increased collections such that the City's municipal tax rate will decrease from approximately \$5.32 to \$5.05 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The taxing decisions of the other taxing jurisdictions and variations in assessment impacts, between property types and locations, will ultimately determine how an individual property's tax bill will change. Overall, including the State School Levy Credit, which the State uses to reduce the effective school districts' property tax levy, the approximate, combined property tax rates will decrease from \$22.22 to \$20.98 in the Franklin School District, from \$20.42 to \$19.80 in the Oak Creek/Franklin School District, and from \$20.80 to \$19.63 in the Whitnall School District. For additional information, please go to www.franklinwi.gov.

Please also see the "Property Tax Bill Questions" and "Property Tax Bill Payments" articles on Page 3.

Holiday Hours

City Hall will be CLOSED December 24th and 25th for Christmas and December 31st and January 1st for New Years.

Franklin Elected Officials and City Staff wish you all a happy and healthy holiday season!



2021 Park Reservations



2021 Park Permit applications for Franklin groups or residents for reserving Lions Legend Park (Lions or Vernon E. Barg Pavilions), Market Square, Ken Windl Pavilion, Franklin Woods Pavilion, or Pleasant View Pavilion, will be accepted at City Hall, 9229 W. Loomis Road, beginning Monday, January 4, 2021. Applications must be made in person and permits will be issued on a first-come, first-serve basis. The front entrance of City Hall will open at 7:30 a.m. at which time numbers will be handed out. Once you receive a number, you must remain in the City Hall lobby until the Clerk's Office opens for business at 8:30 a.m. Park permit applications will be accepted and processed in the order of numbers distributed. No telephone or mail-in applications are accepted. Non-Franklin groups may apply after April 1st.

- **Lions Pavilion**, 8050 S. Legend Drive, has available an open air pavilion, electricity, picnic tables, water, and grills.
- **Vernon E. Barg Pavilion**, 8717 W. Drexel Avenue, has available an open air pavilion, indoor serving area, electricity, picnic tables, water, and grills.
- **Ken Windl Pavilion**, 11615 W. Rawson Avenue, has an indoor air-conditioned/heated gathering space (maximum of 50 people), tables/chairs, kitchenette, picnic tables, electricity, and water.
- **Franklin Woods Pavilion**, 3723 W. Puetz Road, has available an open air pavilion, electricity, picnic tables within the pavilion, and water. There are no grills available. A gas grill may be brought, however, no charcoal grills allowed. **Note: Kayla's Playground is not reservable—the playground and patio area must be shared with the general public.**
- **Pleasant View Pavilion**, 4620 W. Evergreen Street, has available an open air pavilion, indoor serving area, electricity, picnic tables, and water. Maximum of 50 people.
- **Market Square**, 11230 W. Franklin Street, has available a gazebo, picnic tables, and electricity. There are no restrooms or water available at Market Square.
- **Playground equipment, tennis courts, and volleyball courts, where available at all of the above listed parks, must be shared with the general public.**

Lions Pavilion, Vernon E. Barg Pavilion, Franklin Woods Pavilion, and Market Square are available from April 15–October 31. Ken Windl and Pleasant View Park pavilions are available year-round. **Lions Pavilion and Vernon E. Barg Pavilion are not available for reservations June 23–July 6. Please follow current COVID-19 orders and guidelines when using the City parks. Call 425-7500 with questions or for more information.**

Snow & Ice Control

Residents with concerns regarding winter street maintenance may call the Public Works Department at 425-2592. Regular hours are Monday-Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., or whenever weather conditions warrant winter street maintenance. If no one is available to take your call, please leave a message and someone will get back to you. If immediate attention is required, please call the Police Department at 425-2522.

Tips & Street/Sidewalk Winter Maintenance

* To maintain safety on City streets and sidewalks, the City of Franklin, through its Municipal Code, **prohibits any person from throwing, blowing, placing, or piling any snow or ice on any public street, public place, or public property. This also pertains to depositing plowed snow in roadside ditches and public road right-of-way of yours or neighboring properties.** Artificial snow accumulations can create a traffic or pedestrian hazard. Violators may be ticketed.

* **Please place garbage and recycling containers 2 feet back from the street during a snowfall.** This will help prevent the rolling snow from snowplows from covering or tipping them. **Garbage cans should never be placed in the street.**

* **When removing the snow from the end of your driveway, pile it on the right side when facing the street.** This will allow the snowplow driver to push the snow away from, rather than back onto, your driveway.

* **The owner, occupant, or person in charge of any building or lot fronting or adjoining any street is responsible for cleaning the sidewalk abutting such building or lot of snow and ice.** After snow or ice has formed on any sidewalk, the sidewalk must be cleared within 24 hours. When ice has formed on any sidewalk that cannot be removed, the walk must be kept safe by applying an abrasive material or salt within 24 hours. If any sidewalk is neglected, the Department of Public Works shall have the snow and ice removed and will charge the responsible party.

* **Mailbox Replacement Policy:** The City will repair any mailbox that has been directly struck by a City snowplow; however, **damage to mailboxes caused by snow coming off City snowplows will NOT be repaired. Mailboxes and posts are expected to be in good condition and strong enough to withstand the force of snow coming off the City snowplows.**

* **Winter Parking Regulations:** City Municipal Code states that from **December 1 to April 1 there is no parking allowed on any City street between 2 a.m. and 7 a.m., Mondays through Saturdays, and between 3 a.m. and 7 a.m. on Sundays, except physicians on emergency calls.** Permission to park contrary to these provisions may be granted by the Police Department upon request for reason of emergency and unforeseen conditions, provided that such parking will not interfere with snow removal operations. **If a snow emergency is declared, then no parking is allowed on any City street between 11 p.m. and 6 a.m.**

* **Sump Pump Discharge:** City Code **prohibits the discharge of water from sump pumps upon any public street or highway from November 15 to April 15 of each year,** as this leads to ice build-up on streets. During this period, property owners shall discharge water from their sumps onto their lawn at a point not more than 10 feet from their building.



Mayor Steve Olson (left) and Alderman Mike Barber (right) accept certificates of completion for the FBI Citizens Academy from Milwaukee Special Agent in Charge Robert Hughes (center) after completing a 6-week instruction on the functions of the FBI Milwaukee Office.

Property Tax Bill Questions

The following are frequently asked property tax bill questions that were not addressed in the cover story. Please call the Treasury Office at 414-425-4770 with any additional questions.

How are my taxes calculated?

The approved tax levies from all of the taxing jurisdictions (see pie chart on Page 1) are divided by the assessed valuation, as certified by the Board of Review, to determine the tax rates. Franklin has multiple school districts; therefore, there are three different tax rates that may apply to a citizen's tax bill. If you compare your tax bill to another, make sure the tax bills have the same taxing bodies before you call to check on your bill.

What are the 2020 tax rates?

Overall, including the State School Levy Credit, which the State uses to reduce the effective school districts' property tax levy, the approximate, combined property tax rates will decrease from \$22.22 to \$20.98 in the Franklin School District, from \$20.42 to \$19.80 in the Oak Creek/Franklin School District, and from \$20.80 to \$19.63 in the Whitnall School District.

What are the credits on my tax bill?

A lottery credit is provided by the State for qualifying citizens for their primary residence only. All taxable property with improvements will receive a "First Dollar Credit" based on the equalized value of the school tax rate. Amounts vary by school district.

What are the additional charges on my tax bill?

Tax bills may contain other charges such as the solid waste fee, annual payments of outstanding special assessments, delinquent sewer and water bills as of November 15, and other unpaid miscellaneous bills outstanding at that time. **All additional charges are due by January 31, 2021, and do not qualify for installment payments.**

What if I do not receive my tax bill?

Please note that tax bills are sent to the property owner of record. For properties recently purchased in the August–November time period, the City may not have received the transfer information from Milwaukee County, and those tax bills will be sent to the seller. You can print a bill from the City's website at www.franklinwi.gov (click on "Property Taxes/Tax Web Portal" under the "Quick Links" area at the bottom of the home page), request the bill from the seller, or contact the Treasury Office to get the necessary property tax information.

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Property tax bills are scheduled to be mailed the week of December 7th. Payment is due January 31, 2021 and can be paid in the following ways:

- **Online:** Pay your taxes online via the "Property Taxes/Tax Web Portal" link under the "Quick Links" on the home page of the City's website at www.franklinwi.gov. To pay your taxes online, please refer to the instructions included with your tax bill that you will be receiving in the mail. There is a 50 cent fee for paying your taxes online, and payment will be via an electronic check through your bank. Online payments take one business day to process, so please plan accordingly related to due dates.
- **Mail:** Payment is deposited the day received. Please include the payment coupon. A receipt will be sent once payment is received.
- **Delivery to Drop Box:** The City has a drop box located right outside of the main entrance to City Hall that is available 24/7. The drop box is a good alternative to standing in line to pay your taxes or for submitting payment when the Treasury Office is closed. Please include the payment coupon with payment. A receipt will be sent once payment is received.
- **In Person:** In person payments can be made at City Hall, 9229 W. Loomis Road. Depending upon demand, wait times can be long with the longest wait times occurring near December 31st. Your payment coupon will facilitate the payment processing (the tax bill is not necessary) and a receipt will be provided during processing. Checks and money orders are encouraged for your safety and speed of processing. **Daily payment hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday–Friday. For tax payment purposes, payment hours will be extended on the following dates:**

Monday–Friday, Dec. 14-18, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Monday-Wednesday, Dec. 21-23, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Monday-Wednesday, Dec. 28-30, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Treasury Office will be CLOSED

December 24, 25, & 31 and January 1, 2021.

- **Credit Card:** Pay your taxes with a credit card via Government Payment Services, Inc. (GPS) at www.GovPayNow.com. Use Pay Location Code 5898. Note that by using this service you will be charged a service fee in addition to the tax amount. For phone payments by credit card, call 1-888-604-7888.

Wisconsin Lottery and Gaming Credit:

Wisconsin Lottery and Gaming Credit is available for your primary residence only. If the credit was on your 2019 Real Estate Tax Bill, or you filed the 2020 Lottery Credit form, the credit will be on your 2020 Real Estate Tax Bill. If the credit is not on your tax bill and you are eligible in 2020, it can be deducted from your 2020 tax bill until January 31, 2021.

****2021 Garbage & Recycling Information Card****

The 2021 Garbage and Recycling Information Card is enclosed inside this newsletter. Please SAVE this card as a reference!



Almost any question that you may have about garbage, recycling, special pickups, brush and leaf collection dates, landfill information, etc. is addressed on this card. Service will remain the same for 2021 with automated garbage and recycling collected weekly and four (4) brush and leaf collection dates. **See card for complete details.**

The Franklin Lioness Club



A nonprofit organization dedicated to serving the beautiful City of Franklin.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

CELEBRATING 41 YEARS
of the Franklin Lioness Club.

Welcome to our Newest Members:

Angela Beadle
Bianca Gresl
Barbee Sorensen

Join us on Facebook for upcoming events and the latest club news and information:

**<https://m.facebook.com/groups/2052034038361951> – or Email
FranklinLioness@yahoo.com.**

PLEASE LET US KNOW HOW WE CAN HELP!

Serving together in kindness—We are the Franklin Lioness and we are here for you.

Please WELCOME the Following Businesses to the City of Franklin!

Arby's, 7621 W. Rawson Avenue
(Restaurant with Drive Thru)

Boost Performance, 7761 W. Ryan Road, Suite 209
(General Office)

Exp Realty Advantage Team,
11610 W. Rawson Avenue, Suite 200
(General Office)

Havana Café, 7119 S. 76th Street
(Restaurant/Café)

Honey Butter Café, 7217-7221 S. 76th Street
(Restaurant/Café)

Vici Capelli Park, LLC, 10700 W. Venture Dr., Ste. D
(General Warehouse and Storage)



SUPPORT FRANKLIN BUSINESSES!

Seeking Volunteer to Fill Vacancy on Economic Development Commission

Volunteers Also Needed for Other City Boards/Commissions/Committees

The City of Franklin is seeking a volunteer to fill a vacancy on the Economic Development Commission (EDC). The purpose of the EDC is to promote and enhance the City of Franklin; to actively pursue, within the goals and guidelines of the City Common Council, commercial and industrial business development/investment for relocation into the City of Franklin to achieve a balanced tax base; to work with the business community in the retention and expansion of the businesses already within the City; and to promote the City in various manners as an excellent place to live and do business. The EDC meets the fourth Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

Vacancies also exist on other various City Boards/Commissions/Committees including the Finance Committee, Technology Commission, Board of Zoning & Building Appeals, Community Development Authority, Architectural Review Board (Alternate Member), and Fair Commission. For a complete list of vacancies and how to apply for the Economic Development Commission or other Boards/Commissions/Committees via the Volunteer Fact Sheet Form, please visit:

<https://www.franklinwi.gov/Departments/Elected-Officials/Boards-Commissions.htm>



COVID-19 Holiday Safety Tips



Many traditional holiday activities may increase the spread of COVID-19. Choose activities with less risk whenever possible.

If you have COVID-19, or if you may have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, you should stay home and not take part in any in-person festivities.

Low-Risk Activities

- Small dinner with people you live with.
- Virtual dinner with friends and family.
- Shop online rather than in person.
- Prepare traditional family recipes and deliver to friends, family, and neighbors.

Medium-Risk Activities

- A small outdoor meal with a limited number of family and friends in your community. Have guests bring their own food, wear face coverings, and stay 6 feet apart.
- Shop in open air markets.

Avoid Higher-Risk Activities

- Shopping in crowded stores.
- Attending or participating in crowded races or parades.
- Attending large indoor gatherings.



Flu Shots Still Available

If you have not yet received your flu shot, the Franklin Health Department still has flu shots available. Everyone 6 months of age and older should get a flu vaccine every season. It is particularly important for people who are at high risk of serious complications from the flu.



Please call the Franklin Health Department at 414-425-9101 for eligibility and appointment times.

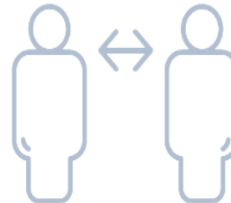
The 3 W's to Stop COVID-19 Spread



Wash hands frequently



Wear a face covering/mask



Watch your distance

Do Your Part

Winter Reading Program—All Ages

January 4 thru February 26, 2021



Join us for a fun, virtual reading program to make those winter blues disappear! There will be a reading program for children birth to 5th Grade, teens in Grades 6-12, and adults 18 and older!

Read for fun and record your reading on the Beanstack app beginning January 4th for a chance to win great prizes! For more information, visit the Library's website at www.FranklinPublicLibrary.org.

Children Programs

Follow <https://www.Facebook.com/FPLChildrensDept>



A Very Merry Ball (All Ages)

Friday, Dec. 11, 11 a.m., Presented by Fairytale Birthday Company. Grab a cup of hot chocolate and join the royals for virtual winter holiday fun. Everyone's favorite snow sisters and friends will sing, share stories, songs, and even how they celebrate this most wonderful time of the year! Craft supplies (while they last) will be available in the Library the week before the program. Video will be posted on the Library's website and Facebook page.

Crafty Kits (Grades K5-5)

Friday, Dec. 18. Pick up a fun craft or activity to make at home! Kits (while they last) will be available beginning December 18th and will contain an activity, instructions, and a YouTube link.

Teen Programs (Gr. 6-12)



Teen Take-Out Crafts

Limited number of kits available while supplies last for each craft. One kit per teen. Call 425-8214 for more information.

-DIY Mancala Game—Craft kits available for pickup beginning Monday, Jan. 11, at the Library Information Desk. Did you know that Mancala is one of the oldest games in the world? Create your own Mancala board out of an egg carton and have fun with a friend learning to play!

-Make Your Own Lip Balm—Craft kits available for pickup beginning Monday, Jan. 25, at the Library Information Desk. Lips feeling dry and chapped this winter? Make your own scented lip balm at home!

-Valentine's Day Worry Dolls—Craft kits available for pickup beginning Monday, Feb. 8, at the Library Information Desk. Feeling worried? Stressed out? Maybe Valentine's Day has got you down? Make your own colorful Guatemalan Worry Doll to help ease your mind!

-DIY Bath Bombs—Craft kits available for pickup beginning Monday, Feb. 22, at the Library Information Desk. Need to relax? Make your own bath bombs and bring the spa to you!



Letters to SANTA!

Drop off your letter to Santa in his mailbox at the Franklin Public Library now through Tuesday, December 22.

We will deliver all letters to the North Pole!

—SAVE THE DATE— Virtual Great Decisions 2021

Sponsored by the Franklin Public Library Foundation, Holz Family Foundation, in memory of Dora Sargent. Wednesday evenings in February and/or March. More information will be available starting January 2021 on the Library website and Facebook page.

Adult Programs



Virtual DIY Crafternoons (FPL Facebook Page)

Wednesdays at Noon. Join us live on Facebook at Noon for crafty fun! Each month features a different craft. Craft kits (while supplies last) contain all supplies needed and are available for pickup at the Information Desk one week prior to the live program (<https://www.facebook.com/FranklinPublicLibraryWI>). No registration required. **Dec. 9:** Holiday Tin Can Luminaries / **Jan. 13:** Coffee Filter Flowers / **Feb. 10:** Heart String Art Picture.

Tech Tip Tuesdays

Tuesdays, Jan. 12, Feb. 9, March 9, 2 p.m. on Facebook Live. Have a question about technology? Librarian Sam will answer your questions about library apps, ebooks, and audiobooks; the CountyCat app and online catalog; and other digital library services! Email your questions to sam.molzahn@mcfls.org and then tune into <https://www.Facebook.com/FranklinPublicLibraryWI> on the dates listed above to hear the answers to your questions!

Book Clubs for Adults (Zoom Meeting)

All book discussion groups are currently meeting via the Zoom Teleconferencing service. Copies of the books are available at the Library. For more information, or to request a Zoom invitation to a meeting, contact Andy Scott, Reference Librarian, at 414-425-8214 or Andy.Scott@mcfls.org.

Brown Baggers: 3rd Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m.
December 15—The Weird Sisters by Eleanor Brown

Night Readers: 4th Mondays (except Nov. & Dec.) at 6 p.m.
December 14—The Chilbury Ladies Choir by Jennifer Ryan





Franklin Senior Travel Program

Join the Franklin Senior Travelers for a day of fun, entertainment, and the opportunity to make new friends. Franklin seniors choose and pay for their destination and the City of Franklin pays for the bus transportation. You can't go wrong!

CONTACT: Basil or Karen Ryan, 414-423-5481, or visit www.FranklinSeniorTravelers.com



Dear Santa: We've been good this year. In fact, we've been very, very good this year. As seniors, we obeyed all the COVID-19 rules. We wore our masks. We stayed confined and only shopped during designated senior hours. We used hand sanitizer until our skin dried out. We remained within six feet of social distancing. We searched high and low for toilet paper. We sewed masks for our family and friends. We know what CDC stands for. We learned how to do a Zoom call. We attended virtual church services. We baked so much bread we ran out of room in our freezer. We didn't get our hair cut and some of us became very scary to look at. We organized our closets. We did all this in an attempt to be safe.

But, Santa, we know some of us are on the 'naughty list'. We still argue with each other over who has the best pension plan. We brag that our joints are more accurate than the weather forecaster. Our eyes and hearing can't get any worse, so we'll stop arguing about what people say and what things look like. We'll stop grumbling about not being able to take our indoor walks. We'll try to cut down on the number of naps we take. We might even live on the edge and eat dinner at 5 p.m. instead of 3:30 p.m.

Now that we're making changes to be good, we need your help Santa. We're the Franklin Senior Travelers and we are a tough bunch. But we'd like to enjoy a day out with other current and new Franklin Senior Travelers. We hope you leave some good news under our Christmas tree this year. What do we want for Christmas? We want you to use your holly-jolly connections and make the virus go away. We want to spend time with our families. But we also want to be with friends, make new friends, have some fun, get on a bus, have a wonderful adventure, laugh at Basil's jokes, play Bingo, win fabulous prizes, eat a hearty meal that we don't have to cook, enjoy a fabulous performance, and have a great day out. Instead of being cooped up watching endless reruns, we can tell our family and friends about our fun outings.

Please, Santa, try your best to make our wishes come true. Until then, we'll stay safe and healthy.

Your friends, The Franklin Senior Travelers

P.S.—We will leave cookies and milk out for you.



Basil insisted that we leave you with some holiday humor to share with family and friends:

** What are the four stages of life?*

1) You believe in Santa Claus; 2) you don't believe in Santa Claus; 3) you are Santa Claus; 4) you look like Santa Claus.

** What is every parent's favorite Christmas carol after a long day of virtual learning? Silent Night*

** If you binge eat Christmas cookies while you binge watch Christmas movies, they cancel each other out.*

** When you stop believing in Santa Claus, that's when you start getting clothes for Christmas.*

** I told Santa you were good this year. He hasn't stopped laughing.*

** Don't stop having fun when you get older, because you will get older when you stop having FUN!*

The best gifts are family and friends.

From our home to yours, we wish you a blessed and safe holiday season!

Basil & Karen Ryan



Franklin Senior Dining—Curbside Pickup or Delivery: The Milwaukee County Department on Aging is committed to meeting the food needs of older adults during the COVID-19 crisis. Curbside pickup or delivery of meals is available at the Franklin City Hall Senior Dining location, 9229 W. Loomis Road, Monday—Friday from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. to those 60 years and older. Diners are encouraged to contribute \$3 per meal. **Call 427-7696 between 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. to reserve lunch (24-hour notice needed). For curbside pickup, arrive to site parking lot pick-up location, join the vehicle line-up, open window, exchange meal contribution and next registration, and receive meal. Enjoy lunch safer at home!**



RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER
FRANKLIN, WI 53132

Annual Pet Licensing

Pet licenses are required to be obtained annually by anyone residing in the City of Franklin who owns a dog, cat, or tiny horse which is 5 months of age on January 1st, or 5 months of age within the license year. **License applications are due by April 1st of each year, or within 30 days from the adoption of your new pet.** A copy of the rabies vaccination certificate issued by your veterinarian is required as proof of vaccination.



The cost of a pet license is as follows:

- Altered Pet—\$12**
- Unaltered Pet—\$24**
- Late Fee for Altered Pet—\$6**
- Late Fee for Unaltered Pet—\$12**

The City prefers that you pay for your pet license directly through the City of Franklin either in person at the Treasurer’s Office at City Hall, by mail, or by use of the drop box outside of City Hall at 9229 W. Loomis Road, Franklin, WI 53132. **Please be sure to include your pet license application (available online at www.franklinwi.gov, click on “I Want To...” and then “License a Pet”), vaccination records, and a check made payable to the City of Franklin.**

The Milwaukee Area Domestic Animal Control Commission (MADACC) has overall responsibility for issuing pet licenses in Milwaukee County. As such, pet licenses may also be applied for online by visiting the MADACC website at www.madacc.org. Payments made via MADACC’s website can be made by check or by MasterCard or Visa credit card.

Milwaukee County Home Repair

The Milwaukee County Housing Division offers no-interest loans to income-qualified homeowners in the suburban communities of Milwaukee County, *excluding* the Village of River Hills and the Cities of Milwaukee and West Allis, through its Home Repair Program. Loans or grants are available through the program.

Owner-occupied homes are eligible if the homeowner(s) meet income guidelines and property requirements. These funds can be used to make emergency repairs, correct code violations, or improve the living quality of your home. Projects funded by Home Repair loans will be secured by a lien on the home.

Program staff will help you through the application process, work with you to create a scope of work, and screen contractors to make sure they are right for your project. Once a contractor is selected, program staff put together an agreement with the contractor and oversee the project while in progress. Upon completion, the County pays the contractor directly. The homeowner repays the County according to the terms of the loan.

The City of Franklin has been awarded grant funds specific to residents of Franklin. For residents who qualify, a portion of the project cost could be covered by the City’s grant funds. Grant amounts may be up to half the project cost, generally targeted for up to between \$5,000-\$10,000, and do not have to be paid back. To apply, contact Milwaukee County Home Repair at 414-278-4917, or learn more at county.milwaukee.gov/Housing.

Household Size	2020 Gross Annual Income
1	\$46,950
2	\$53,650
3	\$60,350
4	\$67,050
5	\$72,450
6	\$77,800

****NOTE:** HUD publishes income limits annually. Income limits are subject to change.