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NEW RESIDENT GUIDE



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COLUMBIA HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL



Visit columbiaheightsmn.gov/citycouncil to find contact information for City Council, agendas, meeting information, and more.

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

The City Council meets at City Hall (3989 Central Ave NE) on the second and fourth Monday of every month at 6 pm. Agendas are posted online before all City meetings. The public is welcome to attend City Council meetings in person, or they can be viewed on Government Access Cable Channel 16 or on our website at columbiaheightsmn.gov/streaming.



The City of Columbia Heights is governed by a five-member council, consisting of a mayor and four council members elected at large on a nonpartisan basis. The mayor serves a two-year term, with councilmembers serving staggered, four-year terms. City Council elections are held in even-numbered years.

STAY INFORMED

Newsletter - watch your mailbox for the quarterly City newsletter to stay up to date on City happenings and offerings.

E-Newsletter - want more frequent updates? You can sign up for our monthly e-newsletter. To view past issues and subscribe, please visit columbiaheightsmn.gov/enews.

City Website - visit columbiaheightsmn.gov for the latest updates and information.

Cable Channel 16 - watch City meetings and educational content. City Council meetings are aired live and replayed on local channel 16 at 9 am and 6 pm daily.

CodeRED Alerts - for more urgent matters, the City will periodically send alerts to residents who are registered for CodeRED. Sign up for text, voice, or email alerts at columbiaheightsmn.gov/alerts.

Social Media - follow the City of Columbia Heights on social media to stay up to date on upcoming events, news, reminders, and more.

Facebook: @columbiaheightsmn
Instagram: @columbiaheightsmn
X: @heightsmn

UTILITIES

The following utilities are provided by the City and billed quarterly:

- Water/Sewer
- Garbage
- Recycling
- Yard Waste (bagged)

Yard waste carts and food organics collection are optional for an additional fee.

SET UP A UTILITY BILLING ACCOUNT

Visit columbiaheightsmn.gov/billing or email ub@columbiaheightsmn.gov to set up your utility billing account. You may also sign up in person at City Hall, 3989 Central Ave NE, Mon-Fri, 8 am-4:30 pm.

UTILITY RATES

View current utility rates at columbiaheightsmn.gov/utilityrates.

PERMITS

Planning home improvement projects? Visit columbiaheightsmn.gov/permits or visit City Hall at 3989 Central Ave NE to find permit applications. Electrical permits are obtained from the State Board of Electricity at electricity.state.mn.us or by calling (651) 284-5064.

Not sure if a permit is required? Please call (763) 706-3678.

CITY HALL

3989 Central Ave NE

(763) 706-3600

info@columbiaheightsmn.gov

Hours: Mon-Fri, 8 am-4:30 pm

City Hall is located at the intersection of Central Ave NE and 40th Ave NE.

The entrance to the free parking garage is located off 40th Ave NE on the north side of the building.

More parking options at columbiaheightsmn.gov/parking.

REFUSE, RECYCLING, YARD WASTE, & ORGANICS

REFUSE SUPPORT

Curbside recycling, refuse, and bagged yard waste are included in the City's base refuse rates. Residents can make changes, report issues, or add services using the Refuse Support Form at columbiaheightsmn.gov/refusesupport.

VIEW YOUR REFUSE COLLECTION SCHEDULE

The City's waste haulers collect recycling, refuse, yard waste, and food organics throughout the week. Find your service days on the interactive map at columbiaheightsmn.gov/refusemap.

COLUMBIA HEIGHTS RECYCLING CENTER

The Columbia Heights Recycling Center is located at 3801 Madison Street NE. It is open on Saturdays from 9 am-1 pm and staffed by volunteers. For a list of accepted items, please visit columbiaheightsmn.gov/recyclingcenter.

PUBLIC SAFETY

825 41st Ave NE



Columbia Heights Police Department
Police Chief Matt Markham

Emergency: 911

Non-emergency: (763) 427-1212

Office: 763-706-8100 (not to be used for any matter requiring an officer response)

Email: police@columbiaheightsmn.gov

Facebook: @chpolice



Columbia Heights Fire Department
Fire Chief Dan O'Brien

Emergency: 911

Office: (763) 706-8150 (not to be used for any matter requiring fire/medical response)

Email: fire@columbiaheightsmn.gov

Facebook: @columbiaheightsfire

COLUMBIA HEIGHTS PUBLIC LIBRARY

3939 Central Ave NE

The Columbia Heights Public Library offers a range of free programming, materials and services for the entire family. Visit chplmn.org to view upcoming programming, request a library card, search for materials, and more!

Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 10 am-7 pm

Friday-Saturday: 10 am-5 pm

Sunday: Closed

Phone: (763)-706-3690

Email: library@columbiaheightsmn.gov

Facebook: @chplibrary

Website: chplmn.org

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— TOP VALU —
LIQUOR

Top Valu Liquor is the City-owned municipal liquor store, which offers three convenient locations. Open 10 am-10 pm Mon-Sat and 11 am-6 pm Sun.

Top Valu #1
4950 Central Ave
763-707-3819

Top Valu #2
2105 37th Ave NE
763-706-3813

Top Valu #3
5225 University Ave NE
763-706-3790

COLUMBIA HEIGHTS RECREATION

530 Mill St NE
(763) 706-3730

Columbia Heights Recreation offers year-round programming for youth, families, adults, and seniors. Programs include youth athletics, league sports, youth enrichment classes, adult athletics, senior citizen activities, special events/trips, summer park programs, and more!

View programs and register at columbiaheightsmn.recdesk.com or visit the Recreation office at Murzyn Hall (530 Mill St NE).

A seasonal Recreation brochure is mailed to all Columbia Heights households each quarter. Watch your mailbox for the latest offerings!



CITY PARKS & AMENITIES

The City manages 15 parks in Columbia Heights (see right). Additionally, the Anoka County Parks System manages **Kordiak County Park** at 1845 49th Ave NE, and the Three Rivers Park District manages **Silverwood Park** at the border of St. Anthony and Columbia Heights at 2500 County Road E.

PARK HIGHLIGHTS

- **Skating and hockey rinks** at Huset Park East, Ostrander Park, and McKenna Park
- **Wading pools** at McKenna Park and Ramsdell Park
- **Splash pad** at Huset Park West
- **Disc golf practice baskets** at Prestemon Park
- **Swimming beach and sand volleyball** at Silver Lake Beach Park
- **Pickleball court** at Prestemon Park

To view all park offerings, visit columbiaheightsmn.gov/parks.



BRUCE NAWROCKI PARK

1271 Circle Terrace Blvd

EDGEMOOR PARK

3950 Edgemoor Pl NE

GAUVITTE PARK

4333 2nd St NE

HILLTOP PARK

4657 Heights Dr

HUSET PARK EAST

3965 Jefferson St NE

HUSET PARK WEST

520 Mill St NE

KEYES PARK

1345 45-1/2 Ave NE

LABELLE PARK

1150 42nd Ave NE

ŁOMIANKI PARK

80 39th Ave NE

MCKENNA PARK

4757 7th St NE

OSTRANDER PARK

1500 40th Ave NE

PRESTEMON PARK

3900 NE McKinley St

RAMSDELL PARK

4956 Johnson St NE

SILVER LAKE BEACH PARK

4305 Stinson Blvd NE

SULLIVAN LAKE PARK

721 51st Ave NE

REPORT A CONCERN

Have a question or concern for City staff? Visit columbiaheightsmn.gov/reportaconcern and use our online form to report street light outages or potholes, ask questions, and more. Your request will be forwarded to the appropriate department to address. For emergencies, please call 911.

WINTER PARKING

From Nov 15 to March 15, it is unlawful to park any vehicle on any street within the City between the hours of 2 and 6 am unless a permit has been issued for that vehicle. Additionally, no street parking is allowed after two inches or more of snow accumulation until streets have been cleared.