

OAK PARK TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION 2017-01
ENDORING THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK “WELCOMING VILLAGE”
ORDINANCE

WHEREAS: The Township is immigrant-friendly, welcomes diversity, and treats all residents and visitors fairly and with respect and dignity;

WHEREAS: All Oak Park residents and visitors are subject to the jurisdiction of the Village of Oak Park, specifically Article 7 of the "Welcoming Village" ordinance with its protections regarding Village employee action and law enforcement, specifically in relationship with the federal government.

WHEREAS: In close partnership with the Village of Oak Park, Oak Park Township provides social services to Oak Park residents and visitors within the limits of relevant state statutes and state and federal contracts.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF OAK PARK TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: Definition

CITIZENSHIP OR IMMIGRATION STATUS: All matters regarding questions of citizenship of the United States or any other country, the authority to reside in or otherwise be present in the United States, the time and manner of a person’s entry into the United States, or any other immigration matter enforced by the Department of Homeland Security or successor or other federal agency charge with the enforcement of civil immigration laws. – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 13 (“HUMAN RIGHTS”) OF THE OAK PARK VILLAGE CODE BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLE 7 (“WELCOMING VILLAGE”)

Section 2: The Oak Park Township Board of Trustees endorses all provisions of the Village of Oak Park "Welcoming Village" ordinance and will use its provisions to guide policy and procedural decisions that may arise in the delivery of Township social services, especially with regard to:

- Not registering individual's based on ancestry, national origin, or religion; and
- Providing services without regard to citizenship or immigration status, unless required to do so by statute, federal regulation, or an order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

This Resolution passed and adopted by the Oak Park Township Board of Trustees on the 28th day of February 2017.

F. David Boulanger, Township Supervisor

Gregory P. White, Township Clerk

Clarmarie I. Keenan, Township Trustee

Mary T. Cozzens, Township Trustee

Ade Onayemi, Township Trustee

James Taglia, Township Trustee