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MAYWOOD BRANCH OF THE COOK COUNTY ASSESSOR'S OFFICE TO CLOSE; OAK PARK TOWNSHIP ASSESSOR'S OFFICE TO TAKE OVER SERVICES FOR OAK PARK RESIDENTS

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In response to a series of budget cuts made by the Cook County Board of Commissioners in recent years, the Cook County Assessor's office has decided to close its suburban branch offices. "The branch office closest to Oak Park is located in the basement of the Maybrook courthouse in Maywood," according to Oak Park Township Assessor Ali ElSaffar. "The Maywood branch office is scheduled to close on May 29."

Oak Park residents who have been using the Maywood branch office are encouraged to make use of the services of the Oak Park Township Assessor's office, located at 105 S. Oak Park Avenue in Oak Park. "Most of the services provided by the branch offices of the Cook County Assessor's Office are also available from the Oak Park Township Assessor's office," ElSaffar said. "For example, senior citizens needing help completing senior freeze forms and taxpayers with questions about other exemptions can come to my office for information and assistance." The Oak Park Township Assessor's office also provides help to taxpayers seeking to file assessment appeals, apply for refunds, and obtain duplicate tax bills, among many other services.

Assessor ElSaffar does not expect the closing of the Maywood branch office to have a large impact on Oak Park residents. "Because my office is in a convenient location and strives to provide high quality services, most Oak Park residents needing tax help visit my office rather than the Maywood office," ElSaffar said. "Accordingly, I believe the closing of the Maywood branch office will have a minimal impact on Oak Park residents."

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