

Agenda

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ZION TOWN BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO BE HELD TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, ZION, ILLINOIS

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1. Call to order
2. Roll call
3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
4. Agenda Changes
5. Approval of Minutes of a Regular Meeting held on May 17, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.
6. Citizen Comments
7. Authorize bills for payment for May

Township Fund

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|-------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Assessor’s Office | \$14,213.63 | |
| Community Support | \$2,062.60 | |
| Youth Services | \$710.60 | |
| Senior Services | \$6,009.20 | |
| Operating Expenses | \$35,479.78 | |
| Township Fund Total Expenses | | \$58,475.81 |

General Assistance Fund

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| Public Support | \$12,658.07 | |
| Operating Expenses | \$18,323.93 | \$30,982.00 |
| General Assistance Fund Total Expenses | | |

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| <u>FICA Total Expenses</u> | | \$2,907.73 |
| <u>IMRF Total Expenses</u> | | \$2,211.33 |

TOTAL Bills: \$94,576.87

8. Authorize bills for payment for June

Township Fund

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|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Assessor's Office | \$16,701.92 | |
| Community Support | \$6,269.11 | |
| Youth Services | \$1,712.96 | |
| Senior Services | \$659.14 | |
| Operating Expenses | \$44,751.08 | |
| Township Fund Total Expenses | | \$70,094.21 |

General Assistance Fund

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|---|-------------|-------------|
| Public Support | \$9,418.85 | |
| Operating Expenses | \$28,320.36 | \$37,739.21 |
| General Assistance Fund Total Expenses | | |

FICA Total Expenses \$4,620.07

IMRF Total Expenses \$3,498.03

TOTAL Bills: \$115,951.52

9. Discussion regarding property donation request

10. Discussion regarding Whistleblower Act

11. Discussion regarding Decennial Committees on Local Government Efficiency Act

12. Assessor's Report

13. Supervisor's Report/Announcements

14. Adjourn

**Zion Township
Revenue & Expense
Actual vs. Budget
For the 2 Months Ended June 30, 2022**



**Zion Township
Income Statement
Summary Actual vs. Budget
As of June 30, 2022**

| | <u>Month-to-Date Actual</u> | <u>Year-to-Date Actual</u> | <u>Annual Budget</u> | <u>Remaining Budget</u> | <u>Remaining Budget</u> |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <u>Township Fund</u> | | | | | |
| Revenues | \$ 251,395.12 | \$ 324,170.02 | \$ 835,000.00 | \$ 510,829.98 | 61.18% |
| <u>Operating Expenses</u> | | | | | |
| Personnel | 32,906.14 | 56,196.07 | 324,338.00 | 268,141.93 | 82.67% |
| Contractual Services | 7,870.77 | 16,468.70 | 99,275.00 | 82,806.30 | 83.41% |
| Other Operating Expenses | 2,812.67 | 6,404.59 | 47,525.00 | 41,120.41 | 86.52% |
| Capital Outlay | 1,161.50 | 1,161.50 | 46,325.00 | 45,163.50 | 97.49% |
| Total Operating Expenses | <u>44,751.08</u> | <u>80,230.86</u> | <u>517,463.00</u> | <u>437,232.14</u> | <u>84.50%</u> |
| Community Support | 6,269.11 | 8,331.71 | 26,000.00 | 17,668.29 | 67.95% |
| <u>Youth Services:</u> | | | | | |
| Summer Work Program | 1,712.96 | 2,423.56 | 17,600.00 | 15,176.44 | 86.23% |
| Total Youth Services | <u>1,712.96</u> | <u>2,423.56</u> | <u>17,600.00</u> | <u>15,176.44</u> | <u>86.23%</u> |
| <u>Senior Services:</u> | | | | | |
| Senior Meals | 0.00 | 3,000.00 | 3,300.00 | 300.00 | 9.09% |
| Senior Transportation | 568.00 | 3,568.00 | 17,500.00 | 13,932.00 | 79.61% |
| Senior Support | 91.14 | 100.34 | 14,500.00 | 14,399.66 | 99.31% |
| Total Senior Services | <u>659.14</u> | <u>6,668.34</u> | <u>35,300.00</u> | <u>28,631.66</u> | <u>81.11%</u> |
| <u>Assessor's Office:</u> | | | | | |
| Personnel | 17,172.87 | 29,388.39 | 186,495.00 | 157,106.61 | 84.24% |
| Contractual Services | (1.07) | 675.26 | 38,770.00 | 38,094.74 | 98.26% |
| Other Operating Expenses | (469.88) | 851.90 | 18,400.00 | 17,548.10 | 95.37% |
| Total Assessor's Office | <u>16,701.92</u> | <u>30,915.55</u> | <u>243,665.00</u> | <u>212,749.45</u> | <u>87.31%</u> |
| Total Expenses | <u>70,094.21</u> | <u>128,570.02</u> | <u>840,028.00</u> | <u>711,457.98</u> | <u>84.69%</u> |
| Excess Revenues less Expenses | <u>\$ 181,300.91</u> | <u>\$ 195,600.00</u> | <u>\$ (5,028.00)</u> | <u>\$ (200,628.00)</u> | |
| <u>General Assistance Fund</u> | | | | | |
| Revenues | \$ 123,482.13 | \$ 131,100.18 | \$ 363,400.00 | \$ 232,299.82 | 63.92% |
| <u>Expenses</u> | | | | | |
| Personnel | 23,366.46 | 39,098.46 | 248,800.00 | 209,701.54 | 84.29% |
| Contractual Services | 3,591.21 | 4,623.29 | 18,981.00 | 14,357.71 | 75.64% |
| Other Operating Expenses | 1,362.69 | 2,922.54 | 23,855.00 | 20,932.46 | 87.75% |
| Public Support | 9,418.85 | 22,076.92 | 137,950.00 | 115,873.08 | 84.00% |
| Total Expenses | <u>37,739.21</u> | <u>68,721.21</u> | <u>429,586.00</u> | <u>360,864.79</u> | <u>84.00%</u> |
| Excess Revenues less Expenses | <u>\$ 85,742.92</u> | <u>\$ 62,378.97</u> | <u>\$ (66,186.00)</u> | <u>\$ (128,564.97)</u> | |
| <u>FICA Fund</u> | | | | | |
| Revenues | \$ 15,068.13 | \$ 15,997.75 | \$ 37,650.00 | \$ 21,652.25 | 57.51% |
| Expenses | <u>4,620.07</u> | <u>7,527.80</u> | <u>(37,500.00)</u> | <u>(45,027.80)</u> | <u>120.07%</u> |
| Excess Revenues less Expenses | <u>\$ 10,448.06</u> | <u>\$ 8,469.95</u> | <u>\$ 75,150.00</u> | <u>\$ 66,680.05</u> | |
| <u>IMRF Fund</u> | | | | | |
| Revenues | \$ 10,046.00 | \$ 10,665.78 | \$ 44,125.00 | \$ 33,459.22 | 75.83% |
| Expenses | <u>3,498.03</u> | <u>5,709.36</u> | <u>44,000.00</u> | <u>38,290.64</u> | <u>87.02%</u> |
| Excess Revenues less Expenses | <u>\$ 6,547.97</u> | <u>\$ 4,956.42</u> | <u>\$ 125.00</u> | <u>\$ (4,831.42)</u> | |

Zion Township

Updates – 6/21/22 and 7/19/22

Mission: *We lead. We empower. We advocate. We connect residents to resources, services and solutions.*

Vision: *We make Zion better.*

Core Values: *Humility ~ Encouragement/Education ~ Appreciation ~ Reverence ~ Tenacity*

BOARD SPECIFIC ISSUES

- Property donation request.
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- Whistleblower Act to be discussed.
- Decennial Committees on Local Government Efficiency Act to be discussed.
- Summer Work Program Year-End Celebration on Friday, July 29th at 11:30am at Zion Township. All board members are invited to attend.

ZION TOWNSHIP UPDATES

- Monthly Client Services Reports for May and June are Attached.
- On Tuesday, August 9th, the Zion Government Leaders of each taxing body will be attending a tour and discussion with Excelon on the status and safety of their property on Lake Michigan.
- The Summer Work Program is a huge success again this year, with 28 youth lead by Adriana Ortiz, Rod Henry and Cameron Bridges. The Year-End Celebration will be held on Friday, July 29th at 11:30am at Zion Township.
- A Prayer Vigil has been established, led by Shirley Adams, every day except Sunday at 10:14am at Ester's Well for Dr. Keely Roberts and her family, as well as all those impacted by the Highland Park Massacre and all those who are effected by violence in our community. A team has also formed to see about reclaiming Ester's Well. More to come.
- Zion Together Days is coming soon. Here is the schedule:
 - Thursday, August 4th 7-8:30pm Zion Park District Concert in the Park.
 - Friday, August 5th at 8pm Zion-Benton Coalition for Healthy Communities and City of Zion Movie in the Park featuring the movie Encanto.
 - Saturday, August 6th City of Zion Community Clean-up Day Rep Joyce Mason providing a shredding truck.
 - Sunday, August 7th from 1-5pm Monarch Mania Festival at Shiloh Blvd and Elisha Ave.
- The Charmmd Foundation is offering a Leadership Conference: Workplace Culture on July 27, 2022 for all government and nonprofit leaders free of charge.

Monthly Report

June 2022

Programs & Services

Community

- Incoming Calls: 469
- Notary: 7
- Medical Equipment Pantry: 0
- Passports: 15
- Voter Registration: 0
- Summer Work Program: 27 youth hired

Senior

- Senior Half-Fare Taxi Tickets: 5
- Senior Birthday Cards: 83

Financial Counseling Certificates: 5

Referrals & Other Agency Application Processing

RTA Free or Reduced Ride Program Processing: 4

Benefit Access Online Applications Processing: 18

Initial Screenings Total: 81

Resource Referrals

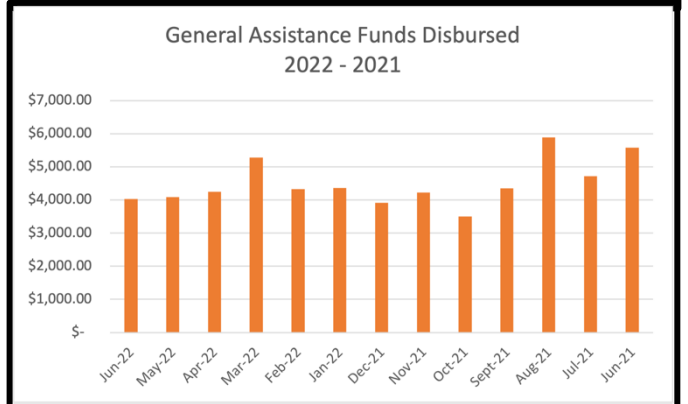
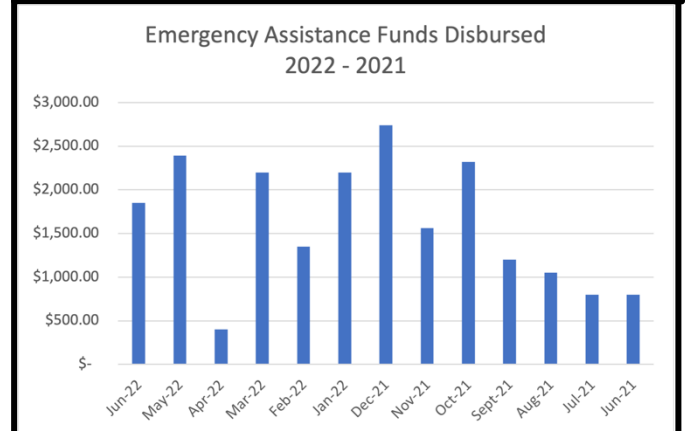
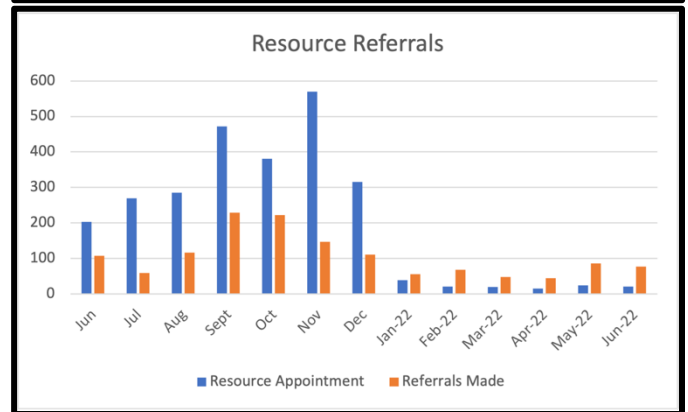
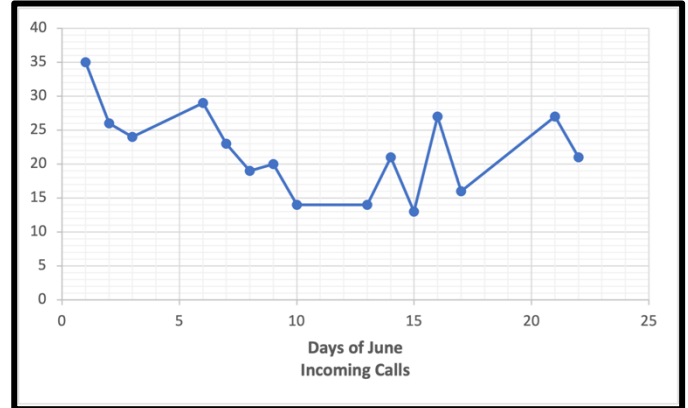
- Resource Appointments: 21
- Total People Referred: 48
- Total Referrals Made: 77

Zion Township Directly Assisted: 30

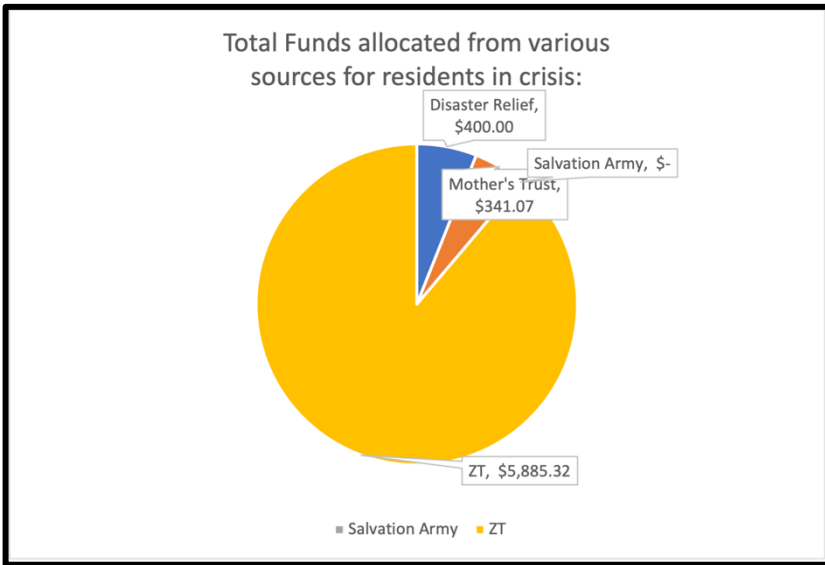
Referrals to Partner Agencies

- Bottom Line Innovators: 2
- Catholic Charities: 5
- COOL Ministries: 1
- Community Action Partnership: 6
- Community Partners for Affordable Housing: 8
- FERA: 2
- Keeping Families Covered: 3
- Love INC: 4
- Mother's Trust: 8
 - Applications submitted: 6
 - Applications approved: 5/\$3,410.07
- PADS: 4
- Smart Residences: 2
- Veterans Assistance: 1

Case Manager Appointments: 48
(Sum of Resource, GA, and EA)



Assistance Programs



General Assistance

- Appointments: 20
- Application issued: 1
- Submitted Applications: 0
- New Recipients: 0
- Denials: 0
- **Flat Grant Approvals: 16/\$4,035.32**
 - Transportation: 4
 - Prescriptions: 0
 - GED: 0
 - Substance Abuse: 0
 - Drug Testing: 0
 - Counseling: 0
 - Evaluations: 0
 - Record Expungement: 0
- Completions (terminations): 2
 - Employed: 1
 - SSI Approved: 0
 - Relocation: 0
 - Other: 1
- Suspended: 0

Emergency Assistance

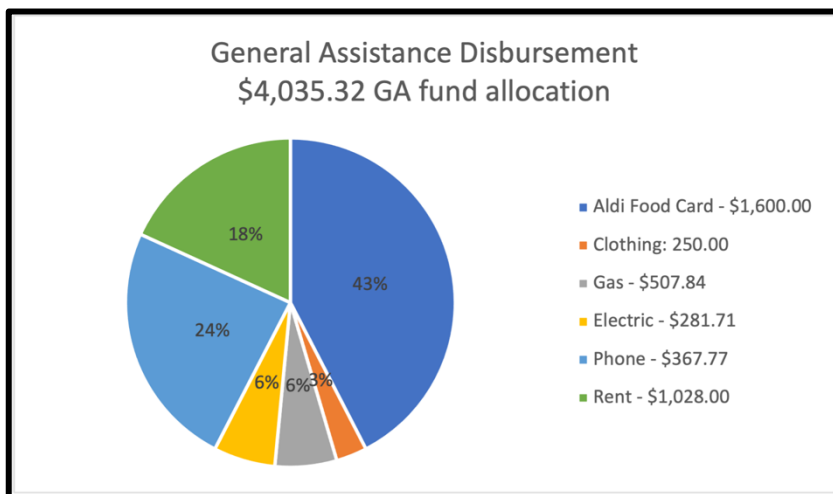
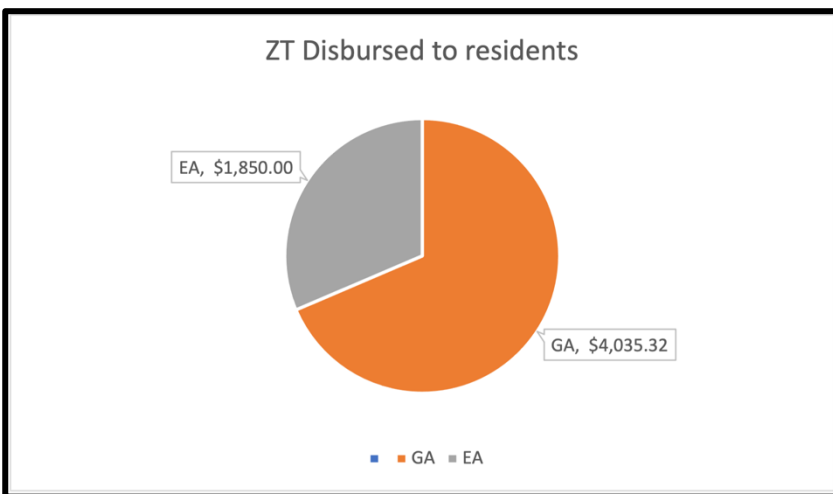
- Appointments: 7
- Total People: 6
- **Approved Applications: 5/\$1,850**
 - Housing: 2
 - Utilities: 3
 - Work Related: 0
 - Substance Abuse Counseling: 0
 - Transportation: 0
 - Other: 0
- EA Denials: 1
- EA Incomplete Applications: 0

Disaster Relief

- **Applications submitted: 1**
- Applications approved: 1/\$400

Emergency Transportation Assistance

- Gas Vouchers: 2
- Bus Pass: 3
- Train/Other: 0
- Total Funds Spent: \$130



Submitted by: ZT Staff

Township Supervisor:

Christy Neal

Monthly Report

May 2022

Programs & Services

Community

- Incoming Calls: 440
- Notary: 9
- Medical Equipment Pantry: 0
- Passports: 8
- Voter Registration: 0

Senior

- Senior Half-Fare Taxi Tickets: 8
- Senior Birthday Cards: 68

Financial Counseling Certificates: 4

Referrals & Other Agency Application Processing

RTA Free or Reduced Ride Program Processing: 1

Benefit Access Online Applications Processing: 16

Initial Screenings Total: 90

Resource Referrals

- Resource Appointments: 24
- Total People Referred: 54
- Total Referrals Made: 86

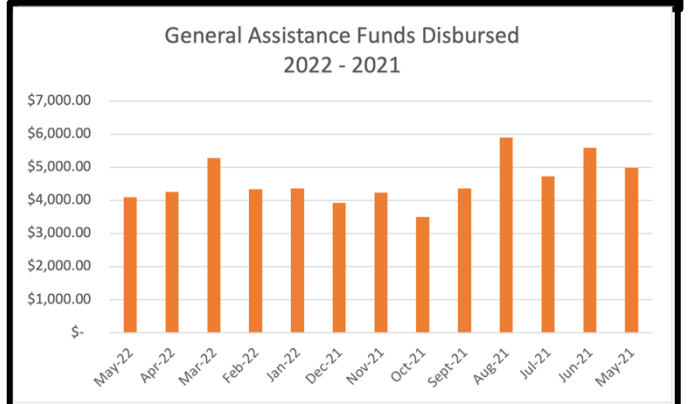
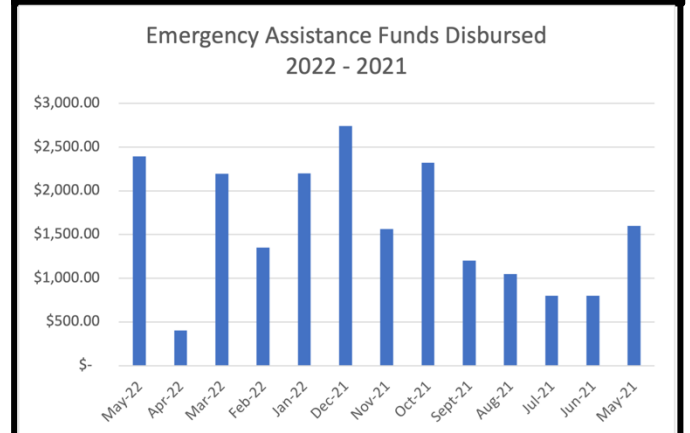
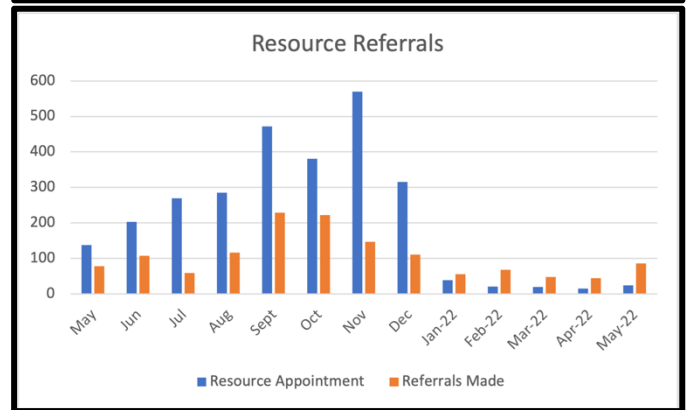
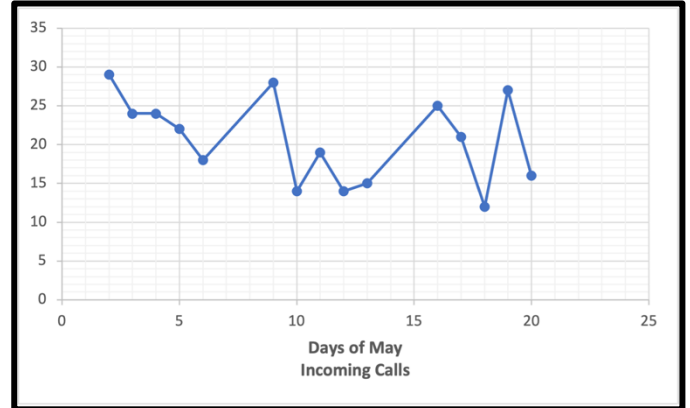
Zion Township Directly Assisted: 37

Referrals to Partner Agencies

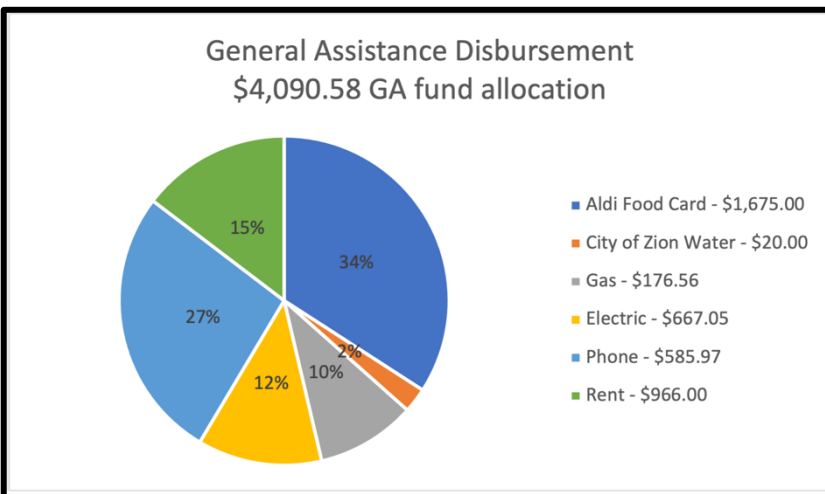
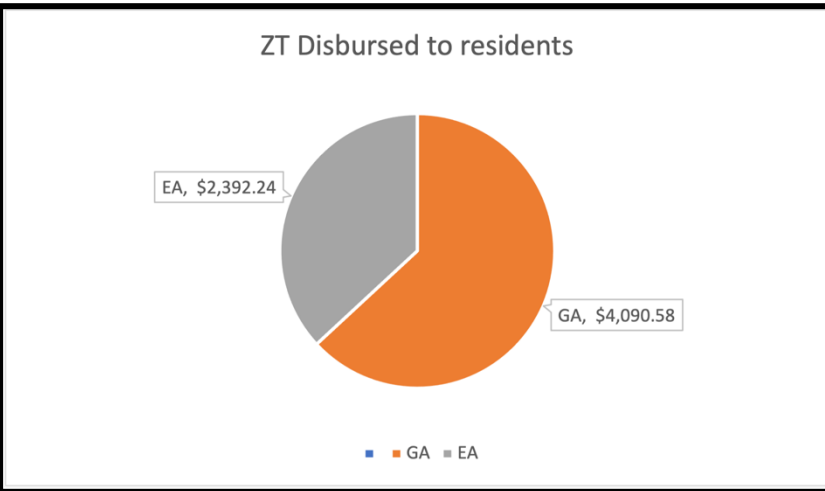
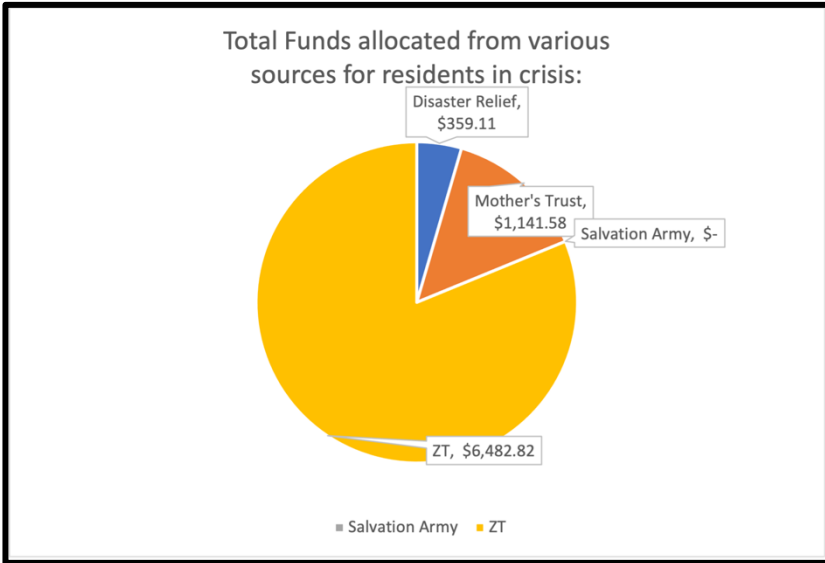
- Catholic Charities: 4
- Community Action Partnership: 16
- Community Partners for Affordable Housing: 7
- Congressman Brad Schneider's Office: 1
- FERA: 1
- Keeping Families Covered: 4
- Lake County Housing Authority: 1
- Lake County Job Center: 3
- Lions Club: 1
- Love INC: 1
- Mother's Trust: 3
 - Applications submitted: 2
 - Applications approved: 2/\$1,141.58
- PADS: 1
- Prairie State Legal: 2
- Salvation Army: 2
 - Applications submitted: 0
 - Applications approved: 0
- Shields Township: 1
- Waukegan Township: 1
- YWCA: 1

Case Manager Appointments: 22

(Sum of Resource, GA, and EA)



Assistance Programs



General Assistance

- Appointments: 22
- Application issued: 3
- Submitted Applications: 4
- New Recipients: 4
- Denials: 0
- **Flat Grant Approvals: 17/\$4,090.58**
 - Transportation: 8
 - Prescriptions: 0
 - GED: 0
 - Substance Abuse: 0
 - Drug Testing: 0
 - Counseling: 0
 - Evaluations: 0
 - Record Expungement: 0
- Completions (terminations): 2
 - Employed: 0
 - SSI Approved: 0
 - Relocation: 0
 - Other: 2
- Suspended: 1

Emergency Assistance

- Appointments: 8
- Total People: 6
- **Approved Applications: 6/\$2,392.24**
 - Housing: 2
 - Utilities: 4
 - Work Related: 0
 - Substance Abuse Counseling: 0
 - Transportation: 0
 - Other: 0
- EA Denials: 0
- EA Incomplete Applications: 0

Disaster Relief Approvals:

- **Applications submitted: 1**
- Applications approved: 1/\$359.11

Emergency Transportation Assistance

- Gas Vouchers: 0
- 1-Day Bus Pass: 1
- Train/Other: 0
- Total Funds Spent: \$10.00

Submitted by: ZT Staff

Township Supervisor: _____

Christy Neal



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(740 ILCS 174/1)

Sec. 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Whistleblower Act.

(Source: P.A. 93-544, eff. 1-1-04.)

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(740 ILCS 174/5)

Sec. 5. Definitions. As used in this Act:

"Employer" means: an individual, sole proprietorship, partnership, firm, corporation, association, and any other entity that has one or more employees in this State, including a political subdivision of the State; a unit of local government; a school district, combination of school districts, or governing body of a joint agreement of any type formed by two or more school districts; a community college district, State college or university, or any State agency whose major function is providing educational services; any authority including a department, division, bureau, board, commission, or other agency of these entities; and any person acting within the scope of his or her authority express or implied on behalf of those entities in dealing with its employees.

"Employee" means any individual who is employed on a full-time, part-time, or contractual basis by an employer. "Employee" also includes, but is not limited to, a licensed physician who practices his or her profession, in whole or in part, at a hospital, nursing home, clinic, or any medical facility that is a health care facility funded, in whole or in part, by the State.

(Source: P.A. 95-128, eff. 1-1-08; 96-1253, eff. 1-1-11.)

(740 ILCS 174/10)

Sec. 10. Certain policies prohibited. An employer may not make, adopt, or enforce any rule, regulation, or policy preventing an employee from disclosing information to a government or law enforcement agency if the employee has reasonable cause to believe that the information discloses a violation of a State or federal law, rule, or regulation.



(Source: P.A. 93-544, eff. 1-1-04.)

(740 ILCS 174/15)

Sec. 15. Retaliation for certain disclosures prohibited.

(a) An employer may not retaliate against an employee who discloses information in a court, an administrative hearing, or before a legislative commission or committee, or in any other proceeding, where the employee has reasonable cause to believe that the information discloses a violation of a State or federal law, rule, or regulation.

(b) An employer may not retaliate against an employee for disclosing information to a government or law enforcement agency, where the employee has reasonable cause to believe that the information discloses a violation of a State or federal law, rule, or regulation.

(Source: P.A. 95-128, eff. 1-1-08.)

(740 ILCS 174/20)

Sec. 20. Retaliation for certain refusals prohibited. An employer may not retaliate against an employee for refusing to participate in an activity that would result in a violation of a State or federal law, rule, or regulation, including, but not limited to, violations of the Freedom of Information Act.

(Source: P.A. 96-555, eff. 8-18-09.)

(740 ILCS 174/20.1)

Sec. 20.1. Other retaliation. Any other act or omission not otherwise specifically set forth in this Act, whether within or without the workplace, also constitutes retaliation by an employer under this Act if the act or omission would be materially adverse to a reasonable employee and is because of the employee disclosing or attempting to disclose public corruption or wrongdoing.

(Source: P.A. 96-555, eff. 8-18-09.)

(740 ILCS 174/20.2)

Sec. 20.2. Threatening retaliation. An employer may not threaten any employee with any act or omission if that act or omission would constitute retaliation against the employee under this Act.

(Source: P.A. 96-555, eff. 8-18-09.)

(740 ILCS 174/25)

Sec. 25. Civil penalty. Violation of this Act is a Class A misdemeanor.

(Source: P.A. 93-544, eff. 1-1-04.)

(740 ILCS 174/30)

Sec. 30. Damages. If an employer takes any action against an employee in violation of Section 15 or 20, the employee may bring a civil action against the employer for all relief necessary to make the employee whole, including but not limited to the following, as appropriate:

(1) reinstatement with the same seniority status that the employee would have had, but for the violation;

(2) back pay, with interest; and

(3) compensation for any damages sustained as a result of the violation, including litigation costs, expert witness fees, and reasonable attorney's fees.

(Source: P.A. 93-544, eff. 1-1-04.)

(740 ILCS 174/35)

Sec. 35. Exception. This Act does not apply to disclosures that would constitute a violation of the attorney-client privilege.

(Source: P.A. 93-544, eff. 1-1-04.)

(740 ILCS 174/40)

Sec. 40. Home Rule Limitation. It is the public policy of this State, pursuant to paragraphs (h) and (i) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution that the provisions of this Act are the exclusive exercise by the State of powers and functions which might otherwise be exercised by other home rule units. Such powers and functions may not be exercised concurrently, either directly or indirectly by any unit of local government, including any home rule unit except as otherwise authorized by this Act.

(Source: P.A. 95-128, eff. 1-1-08.)

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Last Action

| Date | Chamber | Action |
|-----------|---------|---|
| 6/10/2022 | Senate | Public Act 102-1088 |

Statutes Amended In Order of Appearance

New Act
30 ILCS 805/8.46 new

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the **Decennial Committees on Local Government Consolidation and Efficiency Act**. Provides that, within one year after the effective date of the Act and at least once every 10 years thereafter, each unit of local government that may levy any tax (except municipalities and counties) must form a committee to: study local efficiencies, including an analysis of whether to consolidate with another unit of local government, municipality, or county; and create a report with recommendations regarding efficiencies, increased accountability, and consolidation. Provides that the duties of the committee include, but are not limited to, the study of the unit of local government's governing statutes, ordinances, rules, procedures, powers, jurisdiction, shared services, intergovernmental agreements, and interrelationships with other units of local government and the State. Provides that the committee shall collect data, research, analysis, and public input. Dissolves the committee after completion of its report. Provides for committee membership, meetings, and report requirements. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1

Adds reference to:
[105 ILCS 5/17-1.1](#)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill with the following changes: Renames the Act to the Decennial Committees on Local Government Efficiency Act. Removes a requirement that a committee study whether the governmental unit should consolidate with another governmental unit, municipality, or county and makes conforming changes. Amends the School Code. Provides that the report that accompanies the school district's annual financial report must be adopted at an open meeting that allows for public comment. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

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1 governmental unit. The committee shall be chaired by the
2 president or chief elected or appointed official of the
3 governing board of the governmental unit, or his or her
4 designee. The chairperson may appoint additional members to
5 the committee as he or she deems appropriate.

6 Committee members shall serve without compensation but may
7 be reimbursed by the governmental unit for their expenses
8 incurred in performing their duties.

9 (c) A committee may employ or use the services [Translate Website](#)
10 specialists in public administration and governmental
11 management and any other trained consultants, analysts,
12 investigators, and assistants it considers appropriate, and it
13 may seek assistance from community colleges and universities
14 as necessary to prepare the report required under Section 25.

15 (d) If a vacancy occurs in the committee membership, the
16 vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the appointments
17 under subsection (b).

18 (e) Each governmental unit shall provide administrative
19 and other support to its committee.

20 Section 15. Duties of a committee. The duties of a
21 committee include, but are not limited to, the study of the
22 governmental unit's governing statutes, ordinances, rules,
23 procedures, powers, jurisdiction, shared services,
24 intergovernmental agreements, and interrelationships with
25 other governmental units and the State. The committee shall

1 also collect data, research, and analysis as necessary to
2 prepare the report described in Section 25.

3 Section 20. Meetings. Each committee shall meet at least 3
4 times. The committee may meet during a regularly scheduled
5 meeting of the governmental unit as long as: (1) separate
6 notice is given in conformance with the Open Meetings Act; (2)



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1 AN ACT concerning local government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

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4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
5 Decennial Committees on Local Government Efficiency Act.

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6 Section 5. Definition. As used in this Act, "governmental
7 unit" includes all units of local government that may levy any
8 tax, except municipalities and counties.



9 Section 10. Formation of committee; members; vacancy;
10 administrative support.



11 (a) Within one year after the effective date of this Act
12 and at least once every 10 years thereafter, each governmental
13 unit must form a committee to study local efficiencies and
14 report recommendations regarding efficiencies and increased
15 accountability to the county board in which the governmental
16 unit is located.

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17 (b) Each committee's membership shall include the elected
18 or appointed members of the governing board of the
19 governmental unit; at least 2 residents of the governmental
20 unit, who are appointed by the chair of the board of the
21 governmental unit, with the advice and consent of the board;
22 and any chief executive officer or other officer of the

7 the committee meeting is listed as part of the board of the
8 governmental unit's agenda; and (3) at least a majority of the
9 members of the committee are present at the committee's
10 meeting. Each meeting of the committee shall be public, and
11 the committee shall provide an opportunity for any person to
12 be heard at the public hearings for at least 3 minutes. The
13 committee may require speakers to register. The committee
14 shall meet in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, and the
15 committee shall be a public body to which the Freedom of
16 Information Act applies.

17 At the conclusion of each meeting, the committee shall
18 conduct a survey of residents who attended asking for input on
19 the matters discussed at the meeting.

20 Section 25. Report. Each committee shall summarize its
21 work and findings within a written report, which shall include
22 recommendations in respect to increased accountability and
23 efficiency, and shall provide the report to the county board
24 in which the governmental unit is located no later than 18

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1 months after the formation of the committee. The report shall
2 be made available to the public.

3 Section 30. Dissolution of the committee. After a
4 committee has made the report required under Section 25
5 available to the public, the committee is dissolved until it
6 is reestablished with newly appointed members under Section
7 10.

8 Section 85. The School Code is amended by changing Section
9 17-1.1 as follows:

10 (105 ILCS 5/17-1.1)

11 Sec. 17-1.1. Shared service reporting and fiscal
12 efficiency.

13 (a) Annually, each school district shall complete a report
14 developed by the State Board of Education, to accompany the
15 annual financial report and to be published on the State Board

16 of Education's Internet website, that summarizes district
17 attempts to improve fiscal efficiency through shared services
18 or outsourcing in the prior fiscal year. The report must be
19 primarily in checklist form and approximately one page in
20 length. It shall include, but shall not be limited to, the
21 incidence of the following shared service options: insurance;
22 employee benefits; transportation; personnel recruitment;
23 shared personnel; technology services; energy purchasing;

1 supply and equipment purchasing; food services; legal
2 services; investment pools; special education cooperatives,
3 vocational cooperatives, and other shared educational
4 programs; curriculum planning; professional development;
5 custodial services; maintenance services; grounds maintenance
6 services; food services; grant writing; and science,
7 technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) program
8 offerings. The report shall also include a list of potential
9 shared services or outsourcing the district may consider or
10 investigate for the next fiscal year and any anticipated
11 barriers to implementation. This report must be approved by
12 the school board at an open meeting that allows for public
13 comment, and it shall be published on the Internet website of
14 the school district, if any.

15 (b) Based on data supplied by school districts through the
16 annual financial report, regional superintendents of schools
17 shall publish annually a regional report summarizing district
18 attempts to improve fiscal efficiency through shared services
19 or outsourcing within the educational service region. This
20 report shall include a list of all joint purchasing
21 initiatives, joint agreements between districts, attempts to
22 reduce or eliminate duplication of services and duplicative
23 expenditures, and identification of any overlapping regional
24 service delivery systems.

25 (c) For school districts required to develop and submit to
26 the State Board of Education a deficit reduction plan under

1 Section 17-1 of this Code, the regional superintendent of
2 schools and the school district shall jointly prepare a shared
3 services and outsourcing plan that considers actions that may
4 improve the district's fiscal efficiency and how future
5 savings associated with shared services or outsourcing are to
6 be utilized.

7 (Source: P.A. 97-357, eff. 1-1-12.)

8 Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding
9 Section 8.46 as follows:

10 (30 ILCS 805/8.46 new)

11 Sec. 8.46. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6 and
12 8 of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required for
13 the implementation of any mandate created by the Decennial
14 Committees on Local Government Efficiency Act.

15 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
16 becoming law.

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