



The Blissfield Brief

September 2024

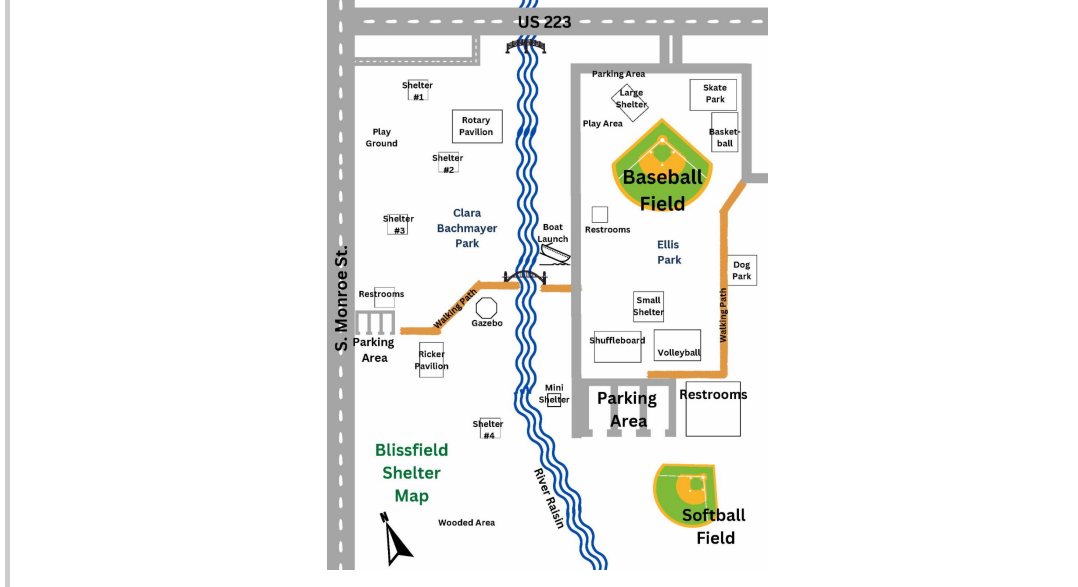


"The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of it's members." -Unknown

Have a photo of Blissfield you would like to share and have included in our monthly newsletter? Email administrator@blissfieldmichigan.gov

Did you know?

Shelters at our Parks can be rented daily for events and activities. Residents can rent them for \$15 and non-resident for \$30. We have a new page on our website dedicated to shelter reservation information, so if you are looking for a beautiful setting to host your next event look no further than our parks.



Visit Shelter Reservation Webpage



For the drinking water highlight this month, I would like to educate our residents on the lead and copper rule (LCR) for public drinking water. In 1991, The EPA established the LCR to protect public health and reduce exposure to lead in drinking water. Lead is seldomly found in elevated levels in naturally occurring sources of water, such as lakes, rivers or ground water. Lead in drinking water is most commonly found due to lead pipes, faucets and fixtures leaching into the drinking water. There are two different types of lead that can be present in drinking water, soluble or particulate lead. Soluble lead is the lead that dissolves in water because of the chemical reaction between the water and the plumbing. To keep lead from leaching into the water, EPA requires some public systems to treat water using certain chemicals that keep the lead in place by reducing corrosion in the plumbing. Our Blissfield treatment plant feeds Orthophosphate to help create a protective layer in our water mains as well as the plumbing in your homes, not allowing lead to be in direct contact with the drinking water. The second type of lead, particulate lead is tiny grains of dislodged scale and sediment released into the water from plumbing. Disturbances, like replacing a water meter, construction, or home plumbing repairs increase the risk of particulate lead being shaken free from the pipes and plumbing. If there is construction or repairs to the public water system or pipes near your home, clean your drinking water faucet aerator every month until the work is completed. To check if a systems corrosion control is working, EPA and EGLE requires water systems to test for lead and copper at the tap of certain homes, those that are feed by lead service lines.

The village of Blissfield, samples 10-20 homes a year, during the months of June, July, and August. These results are then compared to the action levels set by the EPA, 15 ppb of lead or 1.3 ppm of copper. Our most recent lead and copper results are located on the Blissfield water treatment plant website, under lead and copper. Our Blissfield treatment plant also monitors water quality parameters, that affect the corrosivity of the water, at four locations in our distribution system every Wednesday. This allows the water operators to have the knowledge of how corrosive the drinking water is at any time.

To help reduce the potential of lead exposure from drinking water there are a

few things you can do at your home.

- **Do not drink or cook with water from the hot tap**, lead dissolves more easily in hot water.
- **Clean your faucet aerator as part of a routine maintenance** at least every six months to rinse out any particulate lead being held by the screen.
- **Run your water before drinking.** The more time the water has been sitting in your home pipes, the more lead it may contain.
- **Consider using a water filter to reduce lead.** A filter that meets NSF/ANSI standard 53 for the reduction of lead, and a 42 for particulate. Be sure to maintain the filter, to protect your water quality.
- **Consider replacing “old” plumbing fixtures that likely contain lead.** Older fixtures, fittings and valves before 2014 may contain higher levels of lead. Fixtures, fittings and plumbing after January 2014 are required to meet a more restrictive “lead-free” standard.



The village of Blissfield is in the process of identifying and planning the removal of all lead service lines in the next fourteen years. In 2018 EGLE amended the Safe Drinking Water Act, 1976, that requires water supplies to develop and maintain a complete distribution system materials inventory (CDSMI). The purpose of the CDSMI is to record, and maintain an inventory of distribution system materials, including service line material. Care of a precise inventory supports active asset management planning, lead service line replacement efforts, and the notification to those citizens who are served by a lead service line.

Any questions or concerns regarding lead in our Blissfield drinking water please feel free to contact, Nora Kiefer, Water Treatment Plant Supervisor at 517-486-3350 or waterplant@blissfieldmichigan.gov



Blissfield evaluates its parks and recreational opportunities every five years to ensure it is providing citizens with the necessary facilities and programs for the highest level of recreational experiences. As a step in the process, the Village is performing this community survey to assess current and future park and recreation needs. The information provided by this survey will serve as a basis for discussion on the community's parks and recreation desires and priorities.

Parks & Recreation Master Plan Survey

Budget Public Hearings scheduled for September 9, 2024 including: Annual Budget, Wage Scale, and Capital Improvement Plan. For a copy of the budget visit our [website](#) or stop by the Village Office.

Blissfield CAR & BIKE Show



2024
Held at
**SPRINGBROOK
COMMONS**
WEST ADRIAN STREET (US 223)



Sugar Boys Soda Fountain
Do Art Here
Nutrien Ag Solutions

Village Wealth Management
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- 50/50
To benefit:
Blissfield
American Legion

MAY 9
- 50/50
To benefit:
Blissfield
Food Pantry

JUNE 13

Food Pantry
Bring canned goods and get
an extra entry into 50/50 drawing
- 50/50
and donations
to benefit:
Autism

JULY 11
- 50/50
To benefit:
Blissfield
Food Pantry

AUGUST 8

Food Pantry
Bring canned goods and get
an extra entry into 50/50 drawing
- 50/50
To benefit:
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SEPTEMBER 12

Grand Finale
Live Entertainment
Bring hats & gloves and get
an extra entry into door prize drawing

4PM - 7 PM • SET-UP STARTS AT 3PM
RAIN DATES: 5/10 • 6/14 • 7/12 • 8/9 • 9/13

Door Prizes, DJ
Driver's Pool
50/50
ALL SHOWS
Proceeds to Local Orgs.
Grand-Prize Giveaway Band, Entertainment
September 12

A Blissfield DDA/Main Street Event
www.BlissfieldMainStreet.com

Music in the Park

Friday
Summer Concert Series
at the Bicentennial Park

Presented by
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June Thru September 2024



BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION WEEKEND



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Taste of Bliss



Friday, November 8, 2024
5:00p.m.-7:00p.m.
DOWNTOWN BLISSFIELD
IN THE EVENT TENT
Tickets on sale now for \$30



Breakfast with Santa



November 9, 2024
9:00a.m.-11:00a.m.
DOWNTOWN BLISSFIELD
IN THE EVENT TENT
\$8.00 kids \$12.00 Adults



Event Tickets Available on Eventbrite

Brunch & Bingo



Sunday, November 10, 2024
1:30p.m.-4:00p.m.
DOWNTOWN BLISSFIELD
IN THE EVENT TENT
Brunch and Mimosa or Bloody Mary
included for \$40.00



Code Corner



JUST A REMINDER

Residents should not have any noxious weeds, grass or vegetation over the height of 12 inches. There should be no accumulation of dead weeds, grasses or brush.

Failure to comply with the village ordinance may result in a fine.

Village Ordinance
124.000 - Weed Control



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