



IL State Senator Karina Villa



IL 25TH DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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Hello friends & neighbors,

I can't help feeling hopeful as Illinois is steadily advancing to the final phase of our Restore Illinois plan & vaccination eligibility is quickly expanding. While I have been working hard in Springfield with my fellow legislators. I am looking forward to being in the district visiting community members and local businesses. Spring is in the air, and I'm hoping we all get to spend some much-needed time together outside!

In-District

In collaboration with several community partners, a mass vaccination clinic was successfully held on Monday where some 2,000 Illinoisans received their first dose of the COVID vaccine. In close collaboration, my office and the community partners registered older adults without internet access or technological know-how were registered for the clinic. If you, or someone you know struggles with on-line registration, please contact my Constituent Services Liaison, Sammy, at ConstituentServices@senatorvilla.com.

Advisory Committees

The Advisory Committees are in full swing. The Senior Advisory Committee helped draft legislation that will soon be heard in committee. The Mental Health, Environment and Education Advisory Committees are well underway with monthly meetings on the calendar. You can check my [Facebook](#) for upcoming meetings, or email the committee chairs for more information:

Seniors.49th@gmail.com

MentalHealth.49th@gmail.com

Education.49th@gmail.com

Environment.49th@gmail.com

Small Business Relief

One last reminder, the Small Business Association opened up much needed relief for small businesses. Applications for a "Second Draw" PPP loan from participating lenders is only available until March 31st. Don't miss your opportunity. Learn more about PPP by visiting the Illinois [Small Biz Assistance Business Information Center](#).

COVID-19 Funeral Assistance

In an effort to help ease financial stress caused by the pandemic, the Federal Emergency Management Agency will provide financial assistance for COVID-19-related funeral expenses beginning in April. People who have COVID-19 funeral expenses are encouraged to keep relevant documentation while additional guidance is being finalized. For more information on who is eligible and how to apply visit FEMA's [website](#).

What's Next?

More relief is coming from the American Rescue Act. As we obtain information, you'll be one of the first to know.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact my office for assistance. You can reach us at info@senatorvilla.com or by phone 630-326-9319 (English) or 630-326-9419 (Spanish).

Warm regards,

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