



Dear Friend,

We are officially 10 days till the official start day of Spring, and you can feel it in the air as temperatures fluctuate between cooler and warmer. On my Instagram and Facebook you'll continue to see posts in honor of both Women's History Month and Social Worker's Month. If you don't already follow me you can follow me on Instagram @senatorkarinavilla and on Facebook at State Senator Karina Villa.

Illinois Emergency Homeowner Assistance

Illinois has received approval on its Illinois Homeowner Assistance Fund (ILHAF) program to provide assistance to homeowners who have struggled to pay their mortgage due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Starting in April 2022, the state will start accepting applications from homeowners for grants of up to \$30,000 to help eliminate or reduce past-due mortgage and property tax payments. Click [here](#) for more information on how to apply.

IMA Maker's Madness: Highlighting the Coolest Thing Made in Illinois

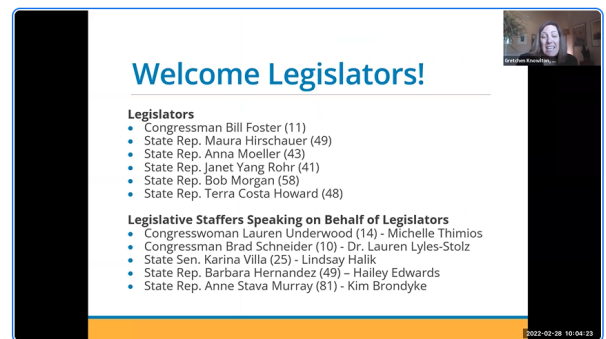
The Illinois Manufacturing Association is launching their third annual contest: Maker's Madness which aims to highlight the coolest things made in Illinois by our manufacturers. Maker's Madness started on March 2nd and you can participate by clicking on the [link](#) to nominate any product made in Illinois you think is the coolest. Nominations end March 20th and from their voting on the top 16 products will commence till April 27th when the coolest product will be crowned.

2022 AgeGuide Advocacy Collaborative

Our office was happy to join in on the AgeGuide Advocacy Collaborative to learn more about their Longevity AGenda for legislators and also to have a chance to highlight some bills I'm sponsoring and learn more about other legislator's bills related to our aging infrastructure. My District Outreach Specialist joined to talk about the bills I'm carrying this session which are [SB1633](#) and [SB3448](#) which came out of my Senior Advisory Committee which AgeGuide members attend and [SB3490](#), [SB2995](#), a game-changer for the nursing home reimbursement rate for which I'm a sponsor on was also discussed, we encourage you to click the links to learn more about these efforts or view the [advocacy event](#) here if you missed it.

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AgeGuide Advocacy Collaborative 2022 (DuPage... - Shared screen with speaker view



Illinois Treasurer's Charitable Trust Grant

This is a grant opportunity for non-profits working on Food Programs, Housing Programs, and Workforce and Economic Development. Eligible nonprofits have to have an operating budget of less than \$1 million. Applications close on March 31, 2022. Click [here](#) for more information.

Prom Dress Giveaway in Batavia

On March 12th from 9am-4pm those looking to attend prom, but struggling to afford a dress can visit 501 N Randall Rd to pick up a free dress or prom accessories.



PROM DRESS Giveaway

**Sat., Mar. 12
9 am-4 pm**

Location: Kane Vax Hub: 501 N. Randall Rd., Batavia IL (formerly Sam's Club)

To schedule a vaccination appointment, go to KaneVax.org or call 855-4-KANEVAX (855-452-6382)

Check facebook.com/chipinbatavia for updates

MORE THAN 400 FREE DRESSES!

Covid protocols in place. Please wear a mask.

Open to ALL girls from ANY school regardless of need!
Financial donations for luxedo rentals and prom tickets gratefully accepted.

DONATIONS NEEDED
Clean dresses, shoes, jewelry, purses, accessories, and new make up.
Drop off Feb. 1-Mar. 10 at Batavia Public Library Front Desk.

CHIP IN Batavia and the Batavia Public Library

BATAVIA FOUNDATION

BATAVIA HEALTH COMMUNITY

Northern Illinois Food Bank Volunteering Event

The Northern Illinois Food Bank in Geneva is hosting a volunteering event on April 9th from 9am to 12pm where you'll have an opportunity to support your community by helping in packaging food for families in need and get to connect further with fellow community members. Sign up with your colleagues, friends, neighbors or by yourself as a way of getting involved. You can [Register now](#) using the link, and see the power that volunteering provides in supporting and connecting with your community.

Business Resource Event



Senator Karina Villa, The Aurora Regional Hispanic Chamber of Commerce & Illinois Minority Business Development Agency (IL MBDA) Business Center partner to bring you The 1st Resources Fair

MARCH 21 2022
@9:00AM

Karina Y Garcia
President & CEO
ARHCC, IPHCC

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CEO
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25th District Senator

INFORMATIONAL RESOURCE FAIR FOR BUSINESS OWNERS

APS Training Academy

Event Address: 105 E GALENA BLVD., AURORA, IL 605055
Contact us at (630) 326 - 9319

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- STRUCTURE & DOCUMENTATION

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What's Next?

Our office partners with State Representative Maura Hirschauer and co-runs four advisory committees: Environmental and Agriculture, Mental Health, Seniors, and Education. These committees are a limited public forum led by volunteer chairs and seek to create compassionate conversation among the voices of the 25th/49th districts in order to help build our legislative agenda and grow our knowledge in these areas. Our education advisory committee will meet on March 11th at 10am, email: seniors.25th@gmail.com to receive the zoom link and agenda.

My staff and I look forward to hearing from you. I encourage you to reach out to us at 630-326-9319 (English), 630-326-9419 (Spanish) or constituentservices@senatorvilla.com.

Well wishes,



Karina Villa, MSW
State Senator, 25th District