

## Code Enforcement Facts



Ordinance Violations can come in a variety of shapes & sizes.

# CODE ENFORCEMENT FACTS



## NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORHOODS

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Effective code enforcement enhances the quality of life for all residents by:

- Protecting the health, safety & welfare of the public.
- Preserving & enhancing property values in the Village.
- Encouraging pride within the Community.
- Encouraging private & public investment in Community neighborhoods.
- Creating a desirable location for new residents & businesses to flourish.
- Creating & maintaining a safe, healthy & enjoyable environment.
- Preventing the physical & aesthetic deterioration of our Community.
- Reducing hurtful & offensive situations.
- Fostering a safe & sanitary Community.
- Establishing a framework for Community involvement to resolve public nuisances.

The Code Enforcement department works collaboratively with the Zoning Director, Village Administrator, Mayor, as well as the Police & Fire Departments to ensure that the standards set for the Village, Residents & Businesses located here, are continued at a high level.

#### Code Enforcement Basics:

- Violations can be found by external complaints being submitted to the Village.
- Other violations are discovered during routine checks throughout the Village.
- It's a landlord's (owner) responsibility to help resolve any violation.
- It's a landlord's (owner) responsibility to manage their own property.
- A standard set of guidelines has been implemented to promote fairness to all.
- Any time a complaint is received, it is investigated as soon as time allows.
- Thorough investigations are completed, with pictures taken for documentation.
- Violations are assigned a "tier", tiers represent the time given to abate the issue.

Complaint-driven inspections result in a violation, in most situations, while broader, routine checks result in a violation less of the time. However, they effectively cover a larger area & help identify violations that may otherwise go unreported. An effective mix of both types of inspections, allow for continued standards at a higher level.

#### The Results:

- The Code Enforcement department conducted 410 investigations in 2024.
- Of which, 306 of them were closed, abated or resolved.
- 74.63% of all violations discovered in 2024 were resolved.
- These violations were closed or resolved for any of the following reasons:
  - The Owner/Landlord/Tenant resolved the issue on their own.
  - The Village abated the violation.
  - The violation case was prosecuted in court. (Penalties for Non-Compliance)
  - The violation was resolved with the help of a community-driven project.
  - The violation was resolved by neighbors helping neighborhoods.

The Code Enforcement Officer investigates EVERY complaint received or observed. After verifying a violation exists, the CE Officer will attempt to contact the owner in most situations. Followed by sending a Notice of Violation letter, via the USPS, Standard & Certified mail. We will typically work with home owners to resolve any violation. In most situations, a Plan of Action can be submitted. If the plan of action is followed, and not deviated from, we will continue to work with the home owner to get the violations resolved.



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