



Illinois

LELAND

A Great Place To Grow Est. 1859

COMMUNITY MEETING

Information on the
ITEP GRANT

Funded by the
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August 5, 2026



7:00 PM



Resource Bank Community Room
205 North Main Street
Leland, IL

Learn about the proposed sidewalk, curb, ADA accessibility, and downtown lighting improvements being considered through the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP). Your input helps strengthen our grant application.

Refreshments

All Welcome!

We hope to see you there!

Middle school and high schoolers—WE WANT YOU HERE! You are the future of Leland, and your voice matters. Come be a part of shaping our community!



Working together to build a stronger, connected Leland.

ALL ARE WELCOME

STREET SIGN DEDICATION CEREMONY

FOR




LELAND

AUXILIARY POLICE COMMANDER
GREG GILBERT

WHO PASSED AWAY JUNE 27, 2025

CEREMONY WILL BE HELD ON
NORTH STREET AND MAIN STREET
BY THE LELAND POLICE DEPT

AUGUST 7 AT 6:30 PM



On Friday, June 26, the Village of Leland proudly welcomed our new full-time police officer, Austin Sinetos, following his graduation from the Illinois State Police Academy in Springfield. Officer Sinetos was officially sworn in during the July 14 Village Board meeting. As someone who grew up nearby, Austin understands small-town communities, and we are excited to welcome him to the Leland Police Department.

Our second community meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 5 at 7:00 PM. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. We are excited to welcome Jerry Foster, Small Town Champion, who will be speaking about community involvement and inspiring the next generation of leaders. We especially encourage Leland's youth to attend and learn how they can play a role in making our community an even better place to live.



On July 2, the Leland Town & Country Association hosted its Little Mr. Firecracker and Little Miss Sparkler pageants. Lester Johnson was crowned Little Mr. Firecracker, and Ruby Leggero was named Little Miss Sparkler. The newly crowned winners rode in the Leland Town & Country Association's annual Fourth of July Parade on July 4, celebrating Independence Day alongside the many participants and community members who took part in the tradition.



Leland proudly celebrated America's 250th Birthday July 2–4 with three days of community events. The celebration began on July 2 with activities for children of all ages. Friday featured the LTCA's annual barbecue fundraiser followed by a street dance with the band Free Beer & Chicken. The celebration concluded on Saturday, July 4, with the annual parade and the LTCA spectacular fireworks display. It was a wonderful weekend filled with community spirit, patriotic pride, and great memories. Thank you to everyone who volunteered, participated, sponsored, and attended to help make this year's celebration such a tremendous success.