



## Tips for a Great Time!

The Village of Flossmoor encourages our community to get out there and know your neighbors. Building friendly relationships makes us an even more vibrant village. Please visit [www.flossmoor.org](http://www.flossmoor.org) for a complete step-by-step guide to planning a fun party.

### Easy Block Party Themes

Block parties are not limited to the traditional all-day barbecues. An hour or two is plenty of time to gather your neighbors!

- **Ice Cream Social** — Start the party in the late afternoon and set up a sundae bar.
- **Potluck Party** — Odd addresses bring appetizers, even addresses bring desserts.
- **Pizza Party** — Guests bring pizzas from local parlors. Have a "Best Local Pizza" contest.
- **Block Yard Sale & Swap** — Kick off by having a neighbor swap before opening sales to others.
- **Holiday Themes** — Pick a holiday to celebrate with your neighbors. Flossmoor residents have used a block party format for Oktoberfest parties, holiday light stringing and even a St. Patrick's Day Parade.
- **Neighborhood Cook-Off** — Organize a chili competition, baked goods contest or other challenge.

### Plan a "Green" Block Party!

Here are some helpful hints...

- Pair up each garbage can with a recycling bin used during your Block Party.
- Use cloth tablecloths instead of plastic...they are prettier and eco-friendly!
- Have each family bring their own place settings. (BYOP... 'P' for plates!)
- If using paper napkins, make sure to purchase recycled products.
- Avoid all Styrofoam containers! Styrofoam *never* decomposes, and therefore is horrible for the environment. Share this news with your neighbors!

## Flossmoor Block Party Application

*This application is also available online. Visit [www.flossmoor.org](http://www.flossmoor.org).*

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Block Party: \_\_\_\_\_

Block Party Hours: (Start) \_\_\_\_\_ (End) \_\_\_\_\_

**Would you like a Village representative to attend?**  Yes  No

**Would you like ONE of the following safety vehicles to make an appearance at your Block Party (based on availability):**

- Fire Engine       Police Squad       Bicycle  
 Ambulance       Public Works Vehicle

**Do you need barricades for your party?**  Yes  No

If yes, indicate the portion of the street to be CLOSED with barricades:

Example — Wallace Drive from Park Dive to Burns Avenue

Close: \_\_\_\_\_ From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_

Close: \_\_\_\_\_ From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please list each block that will participate in the Block Party...**

*(As a courtesy, please invite all residents on the block to the Block Party.)*

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please Note:** Games and equipment are available through the Homewood-Flossmoor Park District's rental program. Call 708.957.0300.

**Please return this form to:**

Village Manager's Office  
 2800 Flossmoor Road  
 Or fax to 708.798.4016.

**Questions??**

Call the Village at 708.798.2300 or email [lbrennan-levy@flossmoor.org](mailto:lbrennan-levy@flossmoor.org).

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