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Rep. Ford Encourages Participation in Oak Park-River Forest Drug Free Rally

Rally promotes community efforts to stop drug and alcohol use among youth

CHICAGO, IL— State Rep. La Shawn K. Ford (D-Chicago) joins community organizations and sponsors to encourage all to participate in the Oak Park-River Forest Drug Free Rally on Sunday, October 3rd. The event is part of a community-wide effort to combat drug and alcohol abuse among youth and will consist of a march and a rally.

“The painful and long-lasting effects of drug and alcohol abuse have ravaged our families and communities,” said Rep. Ford. “The problem affects all communities, races, ethnicities, income levels and ages. I believe is important that we as a community support our youth and encourage all to do the right things for the right reasons, and that is what we plan to do at this rally.”

Ford is a collaborative partner in this effort and joins local community organizations and sponsors to host the march and rally supporting clean minds and clean spirits. Organized by the Oak Park and River Forest Parent Action Committee (PAC), “*We ARE the Village it Takes!*” is a community-wide effort to promote a drug and alcohol free lifestyle among local youths. The event will begin with a march with two starting points: Keystone Park in River Forest and Oak Park River Forest High School (OPRFHS) Tennis Courts in Oak Park. The march will culminate with a rally at Scoville Park at Lake Street and Oak Park Avenue in Oak Park. Guest speakers, music, poetry and other fun activities will also take place at the rally.

For more information, contact Ford’s constituent service center at (773) 378-5902.

Who:	Rep. La Shawn K. Ford and community collaborative partners, organized by Oak Park and River Forest Parent Action Committee
What:	Oak Park-River Forest Drug Free Rally
When:	Sunday, October 3rd 1 p.m.
Where:	March (1 p.m.) Keystone Park in River Forest or OPRFHS Tennis Courts in Oak Park Rally (2 p.m.) Scoville Park 800 W. Lake St. at Oak Park Ave. Oak Park, IL