



**VILLAGE OF BENSENVILLE
2025 SENIOR / DISABLED GRASS CUTTING PROGRAM
APPLICATION**

Name _____

Street Address _____

City **Bensenville, IL. 60106**

Phone Number _____

Billing address _____

Reason for Application (please check all that apply)

- _____ I am 60 years of age or older, own the property, have no household member able to cut my grass, and my household income is under \$65,000 per year; or
- _____ I am under age 65, disabled, own my property, have no other household member able to cut my grass, and my household income is under \$65,000 per year; and
- _____ I have enclosed a copy of my most recent property tax bill indicating ownership and senior status (exemption or freeze); or
- _____ I have enclosed a copy of Secretary of State License Disability Placard or other means of proof of registration of disability.

Please list ALL household member(s) and their birthdays – including yourself.

<u>Household Member Name</u>	<u>Birth Date</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____

Services: (Please check service requested)

- ☐ Basic Grass Cutting Program (including Spring/Fall cleanup) - \$15.00 per cut / per PIN.

Checklist: (Please initial ALL statements)

- ☐ I have read, understand, and accept the Program Criteria and Requirements.
- ☐ I understand that my lawn must be free of hazards (i.e. pet waste) or the contractor may not provide service.
- ☐ I understand that I will be billed for the service (\$15.00 per week / per PIN) on a monthly basis.
- ☐ I understand that the Village may terminate my service if I violate any of the guidelines presented.

The resident(s) hereby release and hold the Village, its officers, officials, employees, and contractors harmless for any damage to property or other liability that arises directly or indirectly from the Village's grass cutting program.

Signature _____ Date _____

Application Received _____ Scanned _____ Acceptance Letter Sent _____

Internal ONLY

VILLAGE OF BENSENVILLE
2025 GRASS CUTTING PROGRAM CRITERIA AND REQUIREMENTS

QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Resident(s) must be 60 years or older or disabled/handicapped, reside in their home, and there is no one else in the household that can cut the grass.
2. Each household resident must provide documentation of ownership and senior status (via a copy of latest property tax bill) and/or demonstrate disability status (via Secretary of State License Disability Placard or registration of disability with the Illinois Department of Aging).
3. Each household (regardless of age, disability, handicap, or medical condition of any individual resident in the same household) must demonstrate a combined income of \$65,000.00 or less to participate in the Program. Qualifying households may be asked to provide proof of income documentation, as determined acceptable by the Village.

TERMS:

An application must be completed and signed on an annual basis, to enroll in the program. The application is to be mailed or delivered to the Village of Bensenville, 12 South Center Street, Bensenville, IL 60106, Attention: Heritage Center.

1. The Department will review the application and accompanying documentation and determine if the applicant qualifies for the program.
2. The following service will be provided to an applicant upon completion of the application and approval by the Department:
 - The lawn will be cut as needed, as determined by the Village, weather permitting, but in no event will the lawn be cut more than once per week. Cutting will begin no earlier than April 21, 2025, and will continue through the third week of November. The intent of the program is to cut the grass weekly. The Village, at its own discretion, may choose to change the frequency of the cutting due to weather. The contractor will utilize grass clipping collecting mowers and remove grass clippings/debris from the site.
 - Hardscapes (sidewalk, driveway, patios, etc.) will be edged (weed whipping) and power blew of excess grass clippings.
 - A Spring Cleanup will be performed during the first week of service and will include general cleaning of the yard and bagging/disposal of all accumulated materials.
 - A Fall Cleanup will be performed at the end of the season (at a time determined by the Village) and will include general cleaning of the yard and bagging/disposal of all accumulated materials. Fall cleaning will be billed as an additional service at the standard rate (**\$15.00**)

- A monthly bill will be sent to you from the Village's Finance Department. The charge is \$15.00 per cut (per PIN). In the event payment is not received within thirty (30) days of the date of the invoice, a late fee/penalty will be charged in the amount of 10% of the past due amount. If payment is not received within 60 days of initial invoice, the applicant will be immediately removed from the program and the Village will place a lien on the property for the past due invoice plus any applicable fees/penalties. The applicant will also be disallowed from future senior programs.

3. The applicant agrees to the following:

- The lawn must be free of all pet waste. The Village and/or their contractor reserves the right to not perform grass cutting services due to pet waste on the lawn. If the service is not performed in two consecutive weeks due to pet waste, the applicant will be terminated from the program.
 - The basic program does **not** include:
 - a. Fertilizing the grass.
 - b. Trimming the bushes, trees, or other plants.
 - c. Watering the grass, plants, bushes, trees, etc.
4. The applicant may withdraw from the program by providing the Department with written notice. Such notice shall include a specific withdrawal date which shall not be less than seven (7) days from the date the notice is received by the Village. The applicant shall pay the Village for any services rendered prior to the withdrawal date.
5. The Village may terminate, suspend, or close the enrollment period for the program, at any time.
6. The Village may limit the number of participants in the program to 100 residents. In such case, space in the program will be filled on a first come, first serve basis. Completed applications must be received by the Heritage Center.
7. If there are any issues with service for a particular event, the Village requires the resident(s) to call the Village promptly after each grass cutting. This will alleviate any discrepancies between residents and contractors for billing purposes.
8. The applicant hereby agrees to hold the Village, its officers, officials, employees, contractors, and agents harmless for any damage or loss to the property, which arises directly or indirectly from the Village's grass cutting program.