

**What is a Circle?**

Circles are informal groups of Village members who live close to each other in the same neighborhoods.

**How does the Circle differ from the "Pastime Groups" like Bridge or Knitting with Friends?**

They are similar in that they are a good way to meet new people. However instead of being based on a shared interest like knitting, the Circles were created so that people who live close to each other have an opportunity to get to know each other and spend time together right in their neighborhoods.

**What areas of Chicago have Circles?**

There are currently 3 Circles: Lakeview, Near North and Edgewater. There are no street parameters. If that's your neighborhood, that's your circle.

**How will I know about upcoming Circle Programs?**

Email notifications will be sent announcing upcoming events with information on how you can participate. Just call the office and asked to be connected to the following Chairs: Mary Ann Schwartz, Lakeview; Janice Gerstein, Near North; Mary Kaye and Stefanie Clark, Greater Edgewater Area.

**Can I attend events even if I don't live in the Circle Area?**

Absolutely! All are welcome. Just call the office and they will help you register. If you want to be notified about all Circle event, ask that your name be added to the email notifications.

**Can I call the Village office to get a ride to a Circle event?**

Circles do a lot of car-pooling so we encourage you to reach out to other members for a ride or to share a cab or Uber. Our priority is to reserve our driver pools for medical appointments, needed shopping assistance and Village-wide events.

**Will Circle events be accessible?**

Like all Village programs, accessibility is a top priority – but sometimes it isn't possible. Notices for every gathering and events will let you know about accessibility.

**What if I still have questions?** Please know you are always welcome to call the office! The office team is here to help you navigate the Village and through this new longevity.  
Office: 773-248-8700.