

“Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that.”

- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

The Maywood / River Forest Twin Village Covenant

IN RESPONSE TO THE HATE CRIME THAT OCCURRED AT THE RIVER FOREST JEWEL GROCERY STORE ON JUNE 3, 2020, THE VILLAGE OF MAYWOOD AND THE VILLAGE OF RIVER FOREST ARE FULLY VESTED TO THE PRINCIPLES OF HUMANITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION. THIS COVENANT WILL GUIDE THE OVERARCHING SPIRIT OF OUR TWO DISTINCT TOWNS TO THINK AS ONE AND TO INTERACT IN MORE COLLABORATIVE WAYS.

- 1. Commitment to a regional perspective on commercial and residential investment / development.*
- 2. Recognition of multicultural holidays (Juneteenth, Cinco De Mayo, etc.)*
- 3. Explore partnerships for supplier diversity.*
- 4. Support the relationship building of Maywood and Oak Park River Forest Chambers of Commerce.*
- 5. Explore collaboration of equipment, facilities and services.*