

Washington Township Center

Facility Use Policy

Approved 11/4/02 Revised 6/6/22

The Washington Township Center (Center) was developed and built by four units of local government (Washington Township, Washington Township Highway Department, Beecher School District, Village of Beecher). The Center's purpose is to house all or part of these four units of local government as well as provide a resource for appropriate community activities. This Facility Use Policy provides a guide for the use of the Center.

Acceptable Uses of the Center Meeting Room

In addition to the various uses by Washington Township, Washington Township Highway Department, the Village of Beecher, and the Beecher School District the Center may be used for the following activities:

- Meetings by local government organizations
- Meetings by community organizations that meet all of the following criterion:
 1. provide services, programs, or activities in Washington Township
 2. have a Charter, Constitution, By-Laws, or other similar written document
 3. have a mission statement
 4. have been in existence for a minimum of one year
- An emergency shelter under the supervision of the ESDA and Washington Township
- Training, seminars, workshops, etc. sponsored by a local government or civic organization.
- Programs that improve the quality of life for Washington Township residents.

Persons/Organizations Permitted to Use the Center

The Center will not be permitted to be used for personal functions. The Washington Township Community Building is available for personal functions.

Accessing the Center and Use Guidelines

For uses by entities other than Washington Township, the Washington Township Highway Department, or the Beecher School District the following steps should be followed to arrange for the Center's use.

1. Contact the Washington Township office to schedule your event. The user must provide the description of the event, date and time of the event, and the anticipated number of people attending the event.
2. The office staff will confirm the availability of the date and note it on the township calendar. Arrangements will then be made with the user to gain access to the building including time of entry and any alarm code information as necessary.
3. The user is responsible to set up the room and upon completion of their event, return the room to its original arrangement. This includes putting chairs and tables away, general clean up and placing all litter in trashcans or recycle containers.

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4. Within 24 hours after the event, the user is responsible to return everything provided to gain access to the building to the Washington Township office.
5. In the event the user causes excessive wear or damage to the Center, they will be charged a cleaning and/or repair fee based on outside estimates to repair the damage.
6. The Washington Township Center has no kitchen facilities and is not a banquet facility and is NOT to be used as such.
7. Alcohol or smoking is prohibited at the Center.
8. A Certificate of Insurance will be required for all vendors working in or running programs in the Washington Township Center, as per insurance company's requirements

Facility Service Fee

A facility service fee of \$50 MAY be charged to any organization or group that is not sponsored by or affiliated with the Beecher School District, Village of Beecher, Washington Township, or the Washington Township Road District.

Equipment or furniture will not be loaned or rented for use outside of the Center.

Failure to comply with this Facility Use Policy may result in the government or community organization being prohibited from future use of the Center.

Approved this 6th day of JUNE, 2022.

Attest: Joseph Burgess - Clerk