#### So Lake County tax Map: the Basics So





### TOPICS

- MUNICIPALITIES
- Taxpayer info
- Aerial Views
- ROAD MAINTENANCE

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#### So WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT? SO



The Lake County Tax Map is a robust mapping system containing dozens of useful features depending on your need. The most commonlyused features for TC's include:

- Municipality boundaries
- Taxpayer information
- Aerial map views
- Road maintenance jurisdictions

This map is free to use and is accessible to the general public. Info contained here is <u>**not**</u> privileged.

Let's go over how to access and use these features.



#### i. MUNICIPALITIES

To access the tax map, visit and bookmark: https://maps.lakecountyil.gov/mapsonline/

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A pop-up window will appear that says *Graphic Information System* on top. Just hit "OK" at the bottom right.

On the upper righthand side of the purple toolbar, hit the LAYER LIST (shown in image).

Expand BOUNDARIES and select LAKE COUNTY BOUNDARY and MUNICIPALITIES. Boundaries are now displayed using different colors and will look like the map on the previous page.

#### ii. Taxpayer info

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In the search bar on the upper left, type in 179 Blue Heron Ct, Round Lake. Remember, the same address may exist elsewhere in the county, so scan the results to make sure you're selecting the appropriate one.



The search result will appear on the map. Select the ZOOM TO option and it will bring you directly above the property. Double click anywhere on the structure itself and taxpayer info will appear



You can scroll through (there may be add'l pages as well) to find info on township, school district, PD/FD/EMS districts, Tax Bill, elected official info, etc.



Notice at the top of the pop-up box on the right, there are more pages. Scroll through to familiarize yourself with what information is available. Don't worry, you're not going to break anything, so be adventurous – there's a lot of interesting info to discover, especially if you're a homeowner in Lake County.

For recently sold homes, I've seen it take a few weeks for new owner info to be updated.

In the same toolbar on the top right of the website, click on the BASEMAP GALLERY tab, which looks like a window. (See image)

The default view is the Topographic Map. The aerial view is helpful; however, it can make it difficult to see the other information you may be looking for. It might be easier to use Google Maps for your aerial view, and if imagery is what you're looking for, sometimes Google Maps may have a more updated map. For example, there is a new Dunkin on Fairfield south of R134 in Round Lake. Google has the imagery, whereas the Tax Map does not.

As you can see, there is a wide range of different map views and types, with an aerial view dating back to 1939! It's actually pretty cool to check out how your service area has changed over time. Go ahead... get your nerd on!

Don't refresh the page to get back to the default Topographic Map, or you will lose whatever other settings you have selected as well. Just manually select the Topographic Map instead.

Basemap Gallery



APRIAL VIEWS







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Go back to your LAYER LIST and scroll almost all the way down until you find TRANSPORTATION. Select and expand it. Before moving on, look at your current map view so you can see how the changes you make are going to affect your view.



## Tips o

- 1. The tax map provides an excellent opportunity to expand your jurisdictional knowledge and know where to properly transfer calls that are in motion. While it may be leaving your jurisdiction, it may only be in the next jurisdiction briefly. In that case, it may make more sense to transfer your call to the agency *after* that.
  - a. For example, you have a DUI travelling NB on R45 from Peterson in Libertyville. Once it hits the Metra viaduct, it becomes LCSO jurisdiction; *however*, just north of there, past the Does Motel, it very quickly becomes Grayslake's jurisdiction. So, before LCSO even has the chance to create the call, it's likely already in Grayslake.
  - b. Another example is WB 14 from Kelsey in North Barrington. Same as before, the vehicle will be in McHenry County before LCSO can create the call, so transferring to Fox River Grove would make more sense.
  - c. Eliminating an unnecessary transfer keeps a caller from becoming frustrated and uncooperative, and saves invaluable seconds when time is of the essence.

#### THANK YOU!

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