



Dear Friends,

Spring is here! As the weather warms, we look forward to offering more outdoor activities for the children and adults in our programs and services.

**Participant News & Activities.** This next month, "After Hours" programming will be held from 3pm-7pm on April 11 and 25 at our Oak Park Lifelong Learning Center. Learn more at [www.oak-leyden.org/afterhours](http://www.oak-leyden.org/afterhours). A free demonstration session of Music Together® will be held at 411 Chicago Ave. at 9:30am on Monday, April 8, 2019. The full season will begin on Monday, April 15. Contact Melissa Ehmann, Director of Children's Services, at [mehmann@oak-leyden.org](mailto:mehmann@oak-leyden.org) or at (708) 524-1050 ext. 107 to sign up!

**Supporting Oak-Leyden.** This past month, family members Dale Gapinski, Anastasie M. Sénat, and David & Darlene Wyosnick made contributions. Learn more about giving opportunities for parents and guardians at [www.oak-leyden.org/guardians](http://www.oak-leyden.org/guardians).

Please feel free to share your ideas, stories, or concerns with our team at (708) 524-1050 ext. 136. Together, we'll continue to transform lives and make Oak-Leyden even stronger!

Warmest wishes,

Bertha G. Magaña, Chief Executive Officer



Shelley Harris from the **Oak Park Public Library** came to last Wednesday's **Children's Services** drop-in playgroup for a special story time! Our playgroups are held each Wednesday from 9:15am to 10:15am for families with children from birth to age five. Drop-in groups are only \$5 per family per session.



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## Heart & Sole Shoe Drive

April 1 - May 31, 2019



The Heart & Sole Shoe Drive at Oak-Leyden starts on April 1. We're hoping to collect 2,500 pairs of new or gently used shoes to raise \$1,000 for our programs and services through Funds2Orgs.

Until May 31, 2019, shoes can be brought to Lifelong Learning Centers in Oak Park (320 Oak Park Ave) and Elmwood Park (22 Conti Pkwy) from 9am-3pm. Each pair helps contribute to our goal and makes a difference in the lives of the people we serve.

Learn more at:

[www.oak-leyden.org/heart-sole-shoe-drive](http://www.oak-leyden.org/heart-sole-shoe-drive)



A group of participants in Classroom 3 at our Oak Park Lifelong Learning Center made their very own pillows! They loved creating their own designs. Other events this past month in our Lifelong Learning Centers included Mardis Gras celebrations and St. Patrick's Day festivities.