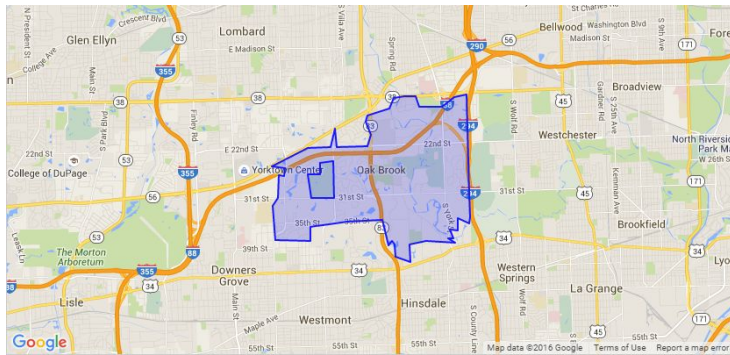


All Roads Lead to Oak Brook

Easy Commuting

The village of Oak Brook is designed for commuters. Situated just nineteen miles away from Chicago, the town is ideally located; however, proximity is not everything. One can be close to a big city like Chicago but be unable to drive there quickly if the roadways are poorly planned. Happily, due to skilled city planning, it is easy to commute in Chicagoland while living in Oak Brook.



Oak Brook is a mecca, easily accessible from all of Chicagoland. Oak Brook has two interstates which run through it: **Interstate 88**, which runs east to west, and **Interstate 294**, which runs north to south. **Interstate 88** has a total of 4 four exits in Oak Brook, while Interstate 294 has a total of two. Two other highways, the Eisenhower Expressway (or **Interstate 290**) and **Interstate 355** are

easily accessible from Oak Brook, as seen above. These roads make travel all around Chicagoland painless. One can travel to downtown Chicago in about 30 minutes. In addition, it is easy to drive to suburbs on the other side of Chicago because one can travel around the busy city. Due to this, over 90,000 business clients and visitors travel to Oak Brook each day. It is extremely convenient to drive from Oak Brook to any location in any direction.

Easy access to Airports

- Ginger Creek's East Entrance offers easy access to I-88 Eastbound making travel to both O'Hare and Midway Airports fast:
 - To O'Hare Airport - Average 20 Minutes
 - To Midway Airport - Average 35 Minutes

History of our roadways



From its beginnings, Oak Brook was designed to be a convenient place to live. Paul Butler, the man who founded Oak Brook, was a Chicago businessman. He valued the privacy, space, and nature of the suburban living, but he needed to work downtown. Butler knew the importance of being able to travel easily from work to home. Thus, he worked tirelessly with a team of experts, including a real estate economist, urban planner,

architect, and civil engineer, to make sure all aspects of living in Oak Brook were top-notch. This included the roadways, even in face of some serious opposition.

Originally, the state of Illinois planned the East-West Tollway, Interstate 88, to go diagonally through Oak Brook, dissecting it from northwest to southeast. This was not part of Paul Butler's plan. The interstate would cut right through several residential areas, as well as beautiful green space, causing noisy neighborhoods without space for recreation. Paul Butler lobbied against constructing the tollway in this area for many years. Finally, he succeeded in moving Interstate 88's path from northwest to northeast, where it runs now. He said, "As finally designed, the tollway is an asset to Oak Brook because it separates the industrial and residential areas of the town, but that's only part of it. A limited access can either be a tributary or barrier to a town's development, depending on the amount of ingress or egress. Oak Brook has 16 bridges over the tollway-some of which we built ourselves. That is more bridges than any other town of the system, but we did it to provide access to all parts of the town." The tollway would not disrupt families and their homes while still being accessible. Now, the Interstate is convenient for travel while built to preserve pleasant neighborhoods.



The highway system in Oak Brook was thoughtfully designed. There is an abundance of roadways through Oak Brook, and they are placed so as not to disrupt happy neighborhoods. This is ideal for the commuter who would like to enjoy the benefits of the city of Chicago while still being able to maintain a peaceful home. One can have it all, in Oak Brook.