

Village of Shoreham

History

Located within St. Joseph Township, The Village of Shoreham was incorporated on April 7, 1930, by William Decker. The first Village Council meeting was held on May 29, 1930. One year after incorporation, William H. Halling was appointed as Shoreham's first Deputy Sheriff. The very first building permit was issued in November 1932.

The Village of Shoreham quickly began to develop into a quiet, attractive, upper-class community. In the late 1950's, many adjacent property owners requested annexation and were incorporated into the village. Today the community is almost completely residential with the villagers committed to keeping it a foremost area in which to live.

Observations

The Village of Shoreham, which currently covers 0.56 square mile, is a small, attractive community. It is almost completely residential, with one eating establishment and several small offices. The community enjoys a low crime rate and has organized its own Neighborhood Watch program. The Village of Shoreham utilizes the police and fire departments of St. Joseph Charter Township. Sewer and water services are provided through the Lake Michigan Shoreline Water & Sewage Treatment Authority.

The Village has its own park which is considered very exclusive and for the use of villagers only. Shoreham's residents take much pride in their village and try hard to keep their community an attractive place in which to live. The village roads are well taken care of and intersections are accented by beautiful hanging gaslights. Although Shoreham borders on Lake Michigan, it does not have public access to the shoreline within the Village. The nearest access to the lake is a few miles north of the Village in the City of St. Joseph.

Community Vision

In the next two decades, the community would like to:

- A. Maintain the quiet suburban atmosphere in the Village.
- B. Continue to improve facilities in the Village Park.
- C. Retain the current low village tax rate.



All Demographic Information is based upon the 2009 Census Estimate

Population

| | | |
|-------------|-----|------------------|
| 1980 Census | 742 | |
| 1990 Census | 737 | 29.20 % increase |
| 2000 Census | 860 | 16.69 % increase |
| 2010 Census | 862 | 0.23 % increase |

Personal Income

| | |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Median Family | \$103,472 |
| Average per Capita | \$47,502 |
| Median Household | \$76,442 |

Labor Force

| | |
|-------------------|-------|
| Total Work Force | 540 |
| Unemployment Rate | 7.8 % |

Housing

| | |
|---------------------|-----------|
| Number of Dwellings | 513 |
| Owner Occupied | 309 |
| Renter Occupied | 116 |
| Median Rent | \$908 |
| Median Home Value | \$186,800 |

Building Permits – 2010

| | Number Issued | Dollar Amount |
|-------|---------------|---------------|
| Other | 19 | \$158,714.00 |

Taxes

In March 1994, Michigan voters approved a new tax structure (Proposal A). The following table provides a simplistic look at the taxes currently levied within this community. Property tax is based now upon taxable value, not state equalized value.

General Taxes

| | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| General County | 4.7723 |
| Law Enforcement/ Public Safety | 0.3500 |
| Special Voted 911 | 0.2500 |
| Senior Citizens | 0.3000 |
| LMC College | 1.7854 |
| Village | 1.0000 |
| Special Voted | 0.0000 |
| Subtotal | 8.4577 |

School Taxes (Berrien RESA)

| | Lakeshore | St. Joseph |
|-----------------------------|-----------|------------|
| State Education Tax | 6.0000 | 6.0000 |
| Non-Homestead (Business) | 18.0000 | 18.0000 |
| Extra Voted Building & Site | 1.4971 | 0.9946 |
| Debt Retirement | 3.2000 | 3.5500 |
| Berrien RESA | 0.1745 | 0.1745 |
| Special Education | 2.1954 | 2.1954 |

Subtotals

| | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Homestead | 13.0670 | 12.9145 |
| Non-Homestead (Business) | 31.0670 | 30.9145 |

Government

Municipal Hall

Shoreham Village Hall is located on Brown School Road. All mail is to be sent to:
The Village of Shoreham
2862 West Garden Lane
St. Joseph, MI 49085

Clerk Phone: (269) 429-8560
Website: www.shorehamvillagemi.com

Council Meetings

Second Wednesday of Each Month
Start: 7:30 p.m.

County Commissioner

Catherine Thieneman
(District 5)
1417 Newberry Hills
St. Joseph MI 49085
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tellupton@mail.house.gov

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Carl Levin (D)
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Washington, D.C. 20510
Phone: (202) 224-6221
levin.senate.gov/contact/index.cfm Access via
website Contact Center

Public Services

Police

The Village of Shoreham utilizes the services of the St. Joseph Charter Township Police Department.

Chief of Police: Ross Bates
Phone: (269) 429-6890
Sworn Officers – Full Time: 12
Sworn Officers – Part Time: 4
Civilian Employees – Full Time: 1
Civilian Employees – Part Time: 1
Number of Cars: 8

Fire

Phone: (269) 429-4100
Station One Fire Chief: Gary Maynard
Volunteers: 17
Station Two Fire Chief: Tom Holland
Volunteers: 18
Insurance Rate Classes: 4 or 5

Trash Collection

Best Way Disposal
Phone: (269) 463-3232
Type: Independent
Pick Up Day: Tuesday
Curbside Recycling

Recycling

Berrien County Community Development
Jill Adams, Environmental Specialist
(269) 983-7111 Ext. 8234
Program information available online at
www.berriencounty.org/recycle.
(800) 311-6424

Water

St. Joseph WFP
Phone: (269) 983-1240
Source: Lake Michigan
Capacity: 16,000,000 GPD

Sewer

Benton Harbor – St. Joseph Waste Water Plant
Phone: (269) 983-7719
System Type: Biological Trickling Filter / Liquid Sludge
Capacity: 13,000,000 GPD

Telephone

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Residential Customers (800) 244-4444
Business Customers (800) 660-3000

Gas

Michigan Gas Utilities
1-800-778-3802

Electric

American Electric Power Company
(800) 311-6424

Education

The Village of Shoreham is served by the following school districts:

Lakeshore Public Schools
5771 Cleveland Avenue
Stevensville MI 49127
Phone: (269) 428-1400
Enrollment: 2,890

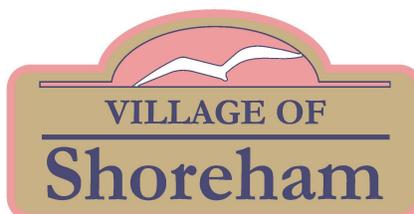


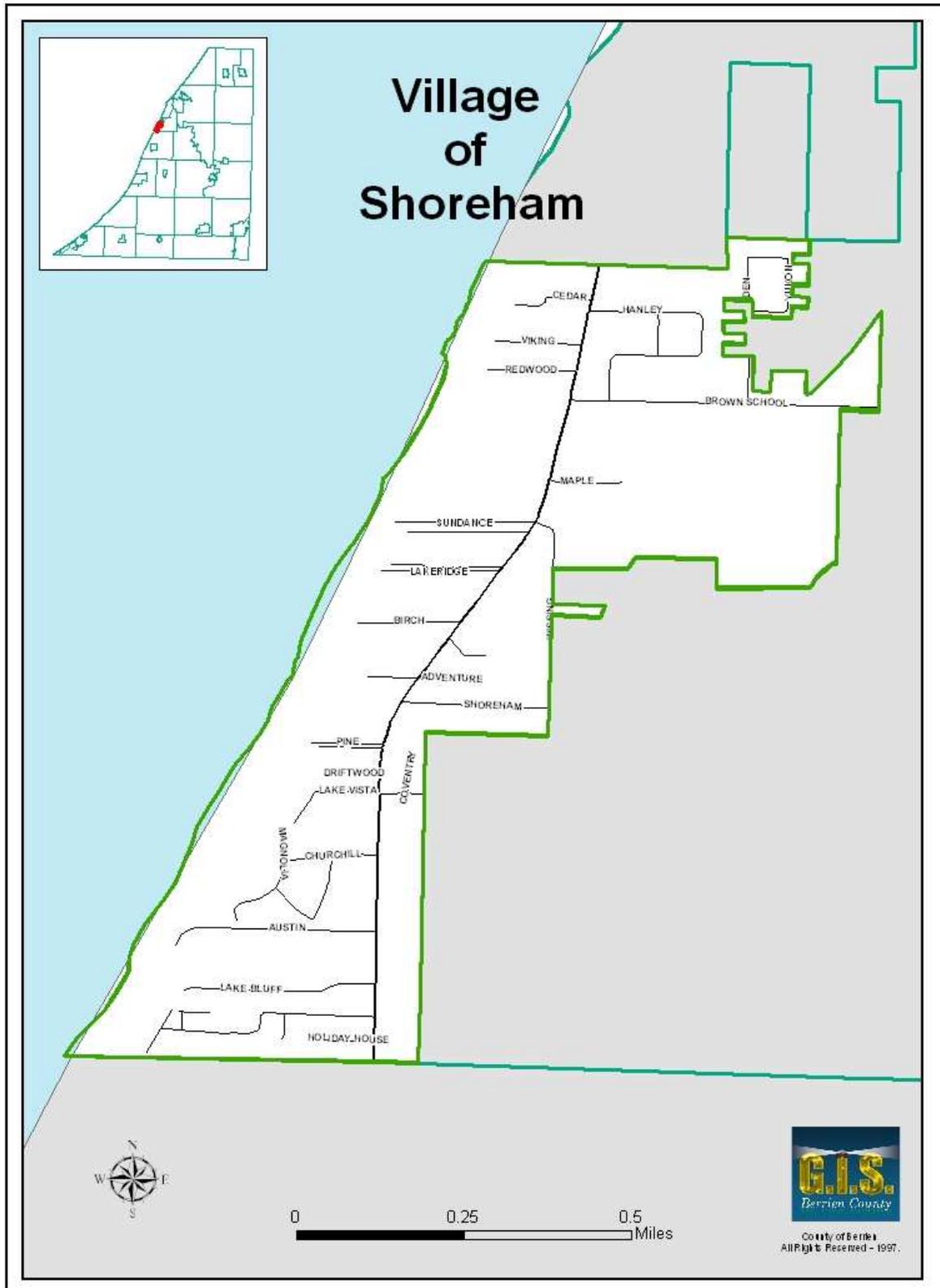
St. Joseph Public Schools
2214 S. State Street
St. Joseph MI 49085
Phone: (269) 982-4621
Enrollment: 2,860



Economic Development

Berrien County Community Development
701 Main Street
St. Joseph, Michigan 49085
Contact: Daniel Fette, Director
Phone: (269) 983-7111, Ext. 8617





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