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Illinois Church Action on Alcohol & Addiction Problems

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## **Video Gambling Update & Alert**



Gambling interests are going into communities with bans on video gambling and asking local officials to overturn the ban. Tinley Park officials voted to overturn their ban this week. Niles, Woodridge, Island Lake, and Long Grove are a few of the communities that are revisiting the issue of video gambling. Please be vigilant in watching what is happening in your city, town, or village as the video gambling issue comes up very quickly.

The Daily Herald reported that Bartlett village leaders are crafting stricter standards for video gambling, fearing that Bartlett could turn into a "mini Las Vegas". [Read more](#)

Elgin officials turned down a new liquor license for a video gambling parlor called Java Jills. These video gambling parlors are owned by Crown Pointe Amusements, with stores in Elwood, Yorkville, Minooka, and more are under construction in Channahon, Yorkville, Homer Glen, and Crest Hill. The Daily Herald reported the company will be looking for opportunities to open more parlors in other Northwest suburbs, including South Elgin and Des Plaines. [Read more](#)

Please read this article about [gambling addiction and senior citizens](#). Seniors could LOSE everything in video gambling machines located in their favorite restaurants. Seniors cannot recover from their losses as many are retired or have only part-time work to supplement their retirement and social security income.

Children left home alone or left in cars is also a concern with video gambling. "For some of those addicted to gambling, it can have such a strong pull, that they're willing to put their kids at risk to do it. Experts explain that out-of-control gamblers then literally lose track of time. They slip into a trance-like state." [Read more](#)

### **FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION**

1. Share this alert and additional information about the problems of video gambling on the [ILCAAAP web site](#) with your local officials and ask them to keep the BAN on video gambling and/or stop issuing new liquor licenses for video gambling parlors in your community.

2. Write a Letter to the Editor opposing video gambling.

3. PRAY.

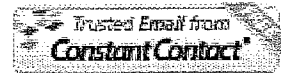
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