

CHICAGO WEEK AHEAD SECURITY BRIEF: HALLOWEEN WEEK, OCTOBER 26–NOVEMBER 1, 2026

An open-source read on how scheduled events, closures, weather, aviation and police notices constrain movement across the Chicago metropolitan region from Monday 26 October to Sunday 1 November.

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KEY FACTS, AT A GLANCE

RATING

Moderate. The week's constraints are the Green and Pink Line interruption at the Lake Street bridge to Wednesday 28 at 04:00 CDT, the State Street overnight closure permit in the Loop to Saturday 31 (hours not stated) with northbound #29 and #146 reroutes to Friday 30, the Fire FC match at Soldier Field at 19:30 CDT and the Bulls game at the United Center at 19:00 CDT on Wednesday 28, and on Saturday 31 the Northalsted Halloween parade, the Wrigleyville crawl, a Pilsen 5K and 273 block parties, followed on Sunday 1 November by the Skechers Hot Chocolate Run 26 closures in Grant Park.^{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7} Each is scheduled on printed dates, and none closes an expressway or a rail corridor without a detour or a substitute service.^{1, 2}

WORST WINDOW

Saturday 31, 18:00 CDT to Sunday 02:00 CST, Halsted Street and Clark Street, Lakeview. Halsted Street from Belmont to Addison is cleared at 18:00 for the Northalsted Halloween Parade at 19:00, with vehicles barred until 02:00 CST Sunday, and the Wrigleyville Halloween Crawl holds Clark Street from 3450 to 3600 N and three side streets to the west, 0.26 mile away at the nearest point between the two permits' coordinates.^{7, 8} Rod Wave plays the United Center at 20:00 CDT the same evening.⁹ No combined venue capacity is printed: the street events have no venue maximum. On Wednesday 28 in the evening the Bulls play the United Center from 19:00 CDT and the Fire FC match kicks off at Soldier Field at 19:30 CDT, by the club's listing; the two venues are 3.23 miles apart and both served by the Green Line.^{5, 6, 3, 4, 10}

ROUTE REMOVED

None this window.

AIR TRAVEL

No ground stop, ground delay program, delay or closure at O'Hare or Midway in the FAA airport-status file at 09:30 CDT on Tuesday 27.¹¹ The forecaster saw a low potential for a brief window of low cloud after sunrise on Tuesday, scattering by mid-morning, and otherwise good flying conditions.¹² No temporary flight restriction carries an Illinois entry or the Chicago Center facility code.¹³

WEATHER

Highs 65 on Tuesday, 72 Wednesday and 72 Thursday, then 66 to 68 to Sunday. A chance of rain showers Thursday from 07:00 CDT (26 percent), a chance of showers and thunderstorms from late Friday night, with thunder in the hourly forecast from 01:00 to 07:00 CDT on Saturday 31 (29 percent), and rain chances of up to 40 percent on Sunday morning, 06:00 to 12:00 CST. Winds 15 mph or less in the hourly forecast, with gusts to 20 mph on Thursday.^{14, 15} The forecaster expects “some periodic chances for showers and perhaps isolated thunderstorms” and dry periods between.¹² No NWS watch, warning or advisory at the Loop forecast point at 09:25 CDT on Tuesday 27; a Small Craft Advisory covered Winthrop Harbor to Wilmette Harbor until 10:00 CDT Tuesday.^{16, 12}

CPD ALERTS

32 pattern alerts counted in 30 days across 18 districts: 24 on the districts and types Week Ahead No. 9 read from each alert, and 8 read from the printed alert itself. 6 robbery-classified. 8 multi-district. Following this brief’s standing practice, one sexual-offense alert is listed in section 05 but not counted, for 33 published.^{17, 18, 19}

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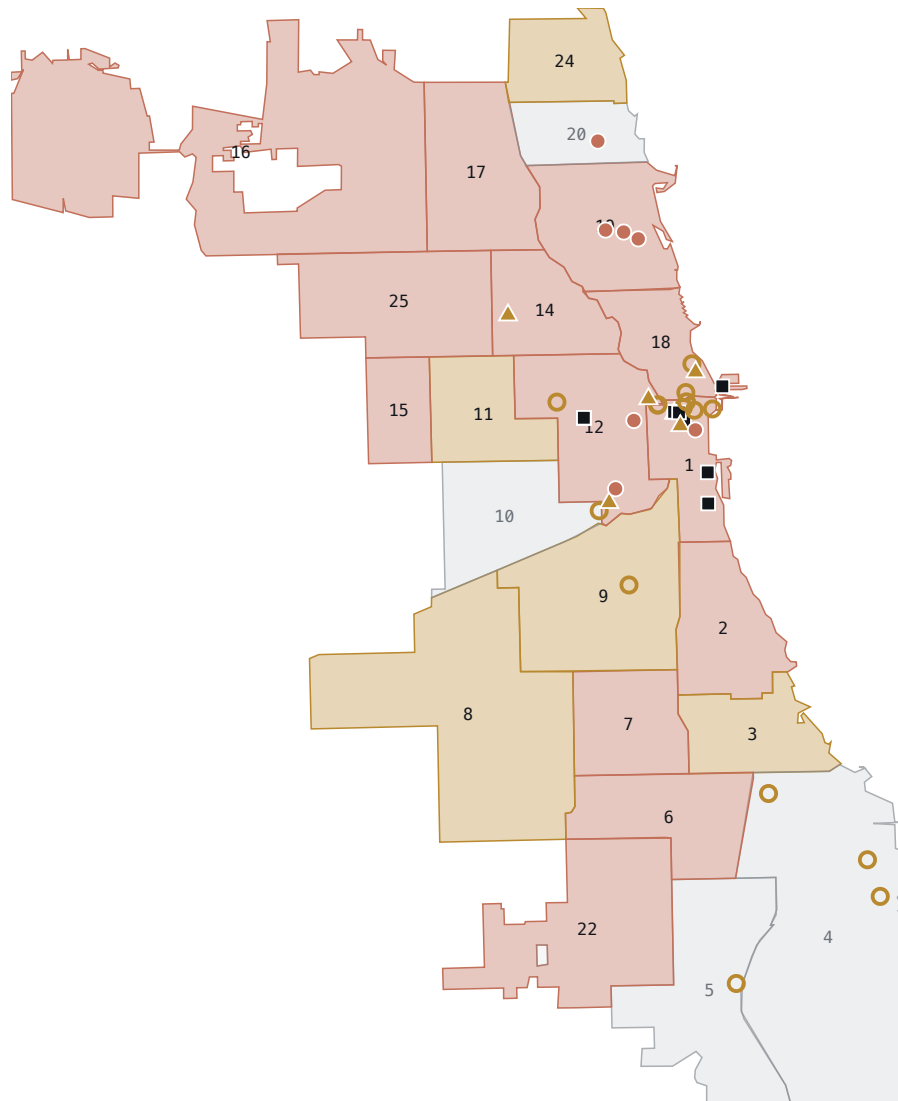
No home game for the Cubs, White Sox or Bears: the MLB schedules list no games from 26 October to 1 November, and the Bears’ next home game is 8 November.^{20, 21} No special-event permit in the City street-closure dataset (jdis-5sry) is filed as a march, rally or demonstration; the permit types in the window are block party, festival, athletic event, farmers market and sidewalk sale.⁷ No NWS watch, warning or advisory is in effect at the Loop forecast point.¹⁶ No full City Council meeting is scheduled; the week’s four Council sessions are budget committee hearings.²²

01 Districts and what lands in them

MAP

Shading counts the CPD pattern alerts that name each district, published 26 September to 25 October 2026, the 30 days before the window. Districts are those Week Ahead No. 9 read from each alert, or, for eight alerts, those the printed alert itself states; the Public Transportation Section alerts carry the district No. 9 read from them or the one their printed

alert states.^{17, 18, 19} The layers show full street closures from City permits and the located venues, gatherings and works listed in sections 03, 04 and 06.^{17, 2, 23} One sexual-offense alert is listed in section 05 and is not counted in the shading. The Closures column counts distinct full-closure permits with a row in the district at any point in the window; most are utility and construction openings in the public way, and on Saturday 31 most are block parties.²



Shading counts CPD pattern alerts published 26 September to 25 October 2026, by district named in the alert; it counts police publications, not offences. The closures layer draws the 827 permits holding a full street closure active 26 October to 1 November 2026. The combined layer places every venue, festival, gathering and closure item located in this edition. Verified venues sit at their own checked position, addresses at the US Census point, and permitted events and closures on the coordinates their permit rows carry. Items the table marks "placed approximately" sit on the calibrated address grid.

Every district, the same facts as text

DISTRICT	CPD NAME	NEIGHBORHOODS	ALERTS	CLOSURES	LOCATED ITEMS
1st	Central	The Loop, South Loop, Printers Row, Dearborn Park, Grant Park and the Museum Campus	5	13	State Street and Lake Street closures at State/Lake (all week); Milwaukee Ave, Canal to Fulton, closure for the Lake Street bridge (to Fri 30); City Hall, 121 N LaSalle St (gathering Mon 26; budget hearing Wed 28); McCormick Place (CoreNet from Mon 26, Chicago Build Wed 28 to Thu 29, ANCC Thu 29 to Sat 31, Hot Chocolate expo Fri 30 to Sat 31); early voting sites, 137 S State St and 69 W Washington St (to Mon 2 Nov); Mother Jones groundbreaking, 35 E Wacker Dr (Wed 28); Federal Plaza, 230 S Dearborn St (picket Wed 28); Soldier Field (Wed 28); Harris Theater closures, 205 E Randolph St (from Thu 29); DuSable Lake Shore Dr bridge backup closure (Thu 29 night); Skechers Hot Chocolate Run 26, Grant Park drives (Sun 1)
2nd	Wentworth	Bronzeville, Grand Boulevard, Washington Park, Fuller Park	3	13	None
3rd	Grand Crossing	South Shore, Greater Grand Crossing, Woodlawn, Jackson Park	1	17	None
4th	South Chicago	South Chicago, the East Side, Hegewisch, South Deering, Jeffery Manor	0	58	Avenue L closure under the railroad bridge, 99th to 100th (permit DOT2295030 runs from 5 Oct; permit DOT2301314 to 22 Nov); E 79th St ComEd Bridge 22 (weekend closures from Fri 30); 92nd St bascule bridge, S Ewing Ave (all week)
5th	Calumet	Roseland, Pullman, West Pullman, Riverdale	0	55	Doty Ave (west leg) closure, 115th to 130th (from Mon 26)

DISTRICT	CPD NAME	NEIGHBORHOODS	ALERTS	CLOSURES	LOCATED ITEMS
6th	Gresham	Auburn Gresham, Chatham, Gresham	5	52	None
7th	Englewood	Englewood, West Englewood	4	17	None
8th	Chicago Lawn	Chicago Lawn, Marquette Park, West Lawn, Ashburn, Garfield Ridge, Clearing	1	81	None
9th	Deering	Bridgeport, Canaryville, Back of the Yards, McKinley Park, Armour Square	1	32	Pershing Rd bridge closure, Ashland to Morgan (all week)
10th	Ogden	Little Village (South Lawndale), the south end of North Lawndale, Heart of Chicago	0	12	Freight train break-in on the BNSF line near 24th St and Marshfield Ave (Tue 27, placed approximately)
11th	Harrison	East and West Garfield Park, and the south end of Humboldt Park	1	14	None
12th	Near West	West Loop, Fulton Market, Greektown, Little Italy, University Village, Pilsen and the Illinois Medical District	4	44	Milwaukee Ave, Lake to Fulton, closures for the Lake Street bridge (to Fri 30 and to Tue 3 Nov); Western Ave viaduct closure, Fulton to Hubbard (all week); United Center (Tue 27, Wed 28, Sat 31, Sun 1); Fulton River Park, 353 N Desplaines St (gathering Tue 27); Benito Juarez High School, 1450 W Cermak Rd (CCPSA meeting Thu 29); Carrera de los Muertos, Pilsen (Sat 31); 34th Ward Halloween Fest, Mary Bartelme Park (Sat 31)

DISTRICT	CPD NAME	NEIGHBORHOODS	ALERTS	CLOSURES	LOCATED ITEMS
14th	Shakespeare	Logan Square, Wicker Park, Bucktown and the north end of Humboldt Park	3	19	March start, Armitage Ave and Kimball Ave (Tue 27)
15th	Austin	Austin	2	12	None
16th	Jefferson Park	Jefferson Park, Norwood Park, Edison Park, Portage Park, Forest Glen, O'Hare	2	72	None
17th	Albany Park	Albany Park, Irving Park, Mayfair, North Park, part of Avondale	2	54	None
18th	Near North	River North, the Gold Coast, Streeterville, Old Town and the Magnificent Mile	4	15	Northbound Lake Shore Drive express lanes on N Michigan Ave (Mon 26, Tue 27 if required); Lower Wabash Ave closure (all week); Navy Pier (Sat 31, placed by a substitute address); Water Tower Park vigil, 180 E Pearson St (Sun 1)
19th	Town Hall	Lakeview, Wrigleyville, Northalsted, Roscoe Village, North Center, part of Lincoln Park	2	95	Trick or Treat on Southport (Mon 26); Northalsted Halloween festival and parade, N Halsted St (Sat 31); Wrigleyville Halloween Crawl, N Clark St (Sat 31 to Sun 1)
20th	Lincoln	Lincoln Square, Ravenswood, Andersonville, Uptown, part of Edgewater	0	26	Aville-o-ween, W Farragut Ave (Sat 31)
22nd	Morgan Park	Morgan Park, Beverly, Mount Greenwood, Washington Heights	2	94	None

DISTRICT	CPD NAME	NEIGHBORHOODS	ALERTS	CLOSURES	LOCATED ITEMS
24th	Rogers Park	Rogers Park, West Ridge, part of Edgewater	1	15	None
25th	Grand Central	Belmont Cragin, Hermosa, Montclare, Dunning, part of Portage Park	3	23	None

Alert counts are of CPD publications naming the district, not of offenses. A listed district is not a place to avoid. The Upside Down Halloween Parade at Washington Grove (Park District permit, Friday 30 and Saturday 31, tentative) is not placed in a district; the record prints no address.²⁴

02 Week risk dashboard

8 DOMAINS

Ratings score constraint on movement, not danger.

DOMAIN	RATING	WHY
Overall travel	MODERATE	No day removes an expressway or a rail corridor without a detour or a substitute service. The constraints are the Green and Pink Line interruption to Wednesday 28 at 04:00 CDT, the State Street overnight closure permit to 31 October (hours not stated) with northbound #29 and #146 reroutes from Monday 21:00 to Friday 05:00 CDT, Wednesday evening's match at Soldier Field and game at the United Center, Saturday's Halloween closures on Halsted Street, Clark Street and in Pilsen, and Sunday morning's race in Grant Park. ^{1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7} Rule: each is a predictable slow-down on a known day; none removes a route or a capacity without a substitute.
Street closures	MODERATE	307 special-event permits touch the window: 283 block parties, 15 festivals, 5 athletic events, 3 farmers markets and 1 sidewalk sale. ⁷ Special-event full-closure permits active each day number 5, 4, 4, 4 and 12 from Monday to Friday, 285 on Saturday 31 (273 of them block parties) and 7 on Sunday 1 November. ² The through streets closed for events are N Halsted Street from 3200 to 3600 N and N Clark Street from 3450 to 3600 N on Saturday 31, and the Grant Park drives, including Columbus Drive, for the Skechers Hot Chocolate Run 26 on Sunday 1 November. ⁷ Rule: closures with printed dates and limits are Moderate.

DOMAIN	RATING	WHY
Stadium and arena load	MODERATE	Chicago Fire FC hosts Orlando City SC at Soldier Field on Wednesday 28 at 19:30 CDT, by the club's listing; the venue's events page prints no time. ^{3, 4} The Chicago Bulls host the New York Knicks the same evening at 19:00 CDT, at the United Center per the venue's event listing; the two venues are 3.23 miles apart and both served by the Green Line. ^{5, 6, 10} The United Center also hosts the Blackhawks on Tuesday at 19:00 CDT and Rod Wave on Saturday at 20:00 CDT and Sunday at 20:00 CST. ^{25, 9} Allstate Arena in Rosemont hosts MANÁ on Friday at 20:00 CDT and the Chicago Wolves on Tuesday 27 at 11:00 CDT, Saturday 31 at 19:00 CDT and Sunday 1 November at 15:00 CST. ^{26, 27} McCormick Place hosts three conventions in sequence and the Skechers Hot Chocolate RunExpo. ^{28, 29} Rule: event egress is a predictable slow-down with a defined end.
Air travel	LOW	Neither O'Hare nor Midway appears in any ground stop, ground delay program, delay or closure list in the FAA file at 09:30 CDT on Tuesday 27. ¹¹ 83 temporary flight restrictions are listed nationally, 7 of them VIP restrictions, and none carries an Illinois state entry or the Chicago Center facility code. ¹³ Rule: no scheduled constraint at either airport at the read time.
Ground transport	MODERATE	55 CTA alerts overlap the window, 25 of them planned reroutes, and none is flagged a major alert; 9 begin inside the window. ¹ Green and Pink Line service is interrupted between Clinton and Clark/Lake to Wednesday 28 at 04:00 CDT, with free shuttle buses and a Pink Line transfer to the Blue Line at Racine. ^{1, 30} The Blue Line single-tracks between Cumberland and Jefferson Park from 22:00 to 04:00 CDT, Monday night through Thursday night; northbound #29 and #146 buses detour around State Street from Monday 21:00 to Friday 05:00 CDT; and #9, #18 and #60 buses reroute around Pilsen from Saturday 31 at 03:00 and 08:00 CDT. ¹ Rule: reduced service with substitutes is Moderate.
CPD alerts	LOW	32 counted pattern alerts were published 26 September to 25 October across 18 districts, with 46 district mentions: 24 on the readings Week Ahead No. 9 printed and 8 read from the printed alert itself. 6 are robbery-classified, and 8 name more than one district. The 1st and 6th carry 5 each, and the 7th, 12th and 18th 4 each. One sexual-offense alert is listed, not counted. ^{17, 18, 19} Rule: an alert describes past incidents and imposes no scheduled constraint on movement. Alert volume measures how often the Department publishes a notice.
Weather	LOW	Highs 65 to 72 from Tuesday to Sunday; thunder in the hourly forecast only from 01:00 to 07:00 CDT on Saturday 31, at 29 percent; rain chances of 40 percent at most, on Sunday morning; hourly winds of 15 mph or less. ^{14, 15} The forecaster's discussion carries no watch, warning or advisory for Illinois or Indiana, and expects dry periods between the showers. ¹² Rule: no forecast period removes or predictably slows a route.

DOMAIN	RATING	WHY
Planned gatherings	MODERATE	The Northalsted Halloween Parade runs on Halsted Street from 19:00 CDT on Saturday 31 under a full-closure permit. ^{7, 8} Ten other gatherings are announced for the week, from a gathering at City Hall on Monday to a vigil at Water Tower Park on Sunday; none states a size, and one, on Wednesday 28, names no site. ^{31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 24, 38, 39} Rule: a parade with a printed footprint and hours is a predictable slow-down with a defined end.

03

Monday through Sunday

7 DAYS

Reading the capacity figures. Every figure below is a **venue maximum**, not a ticket count, an attendance forecast or a prediction.

This edition publishes on Tuesday 27; Monday 26 had passed and is not re-forecast. Weather and aviation are as re-read at 09:30 CDT on Tuesday, and the CPD feed at 08:48 CDT.^{14, 11, 17}

Monday, October 26

MODERATE

NOT RE-FORECAST: THE DAY HAD PASSED AT PUBLICATION^{1,4}

The Green and Pink Lines remain interrupted at the Lake Street bridge, a midday lane closure takes the northbound Lake Shore Drive entrance on N Michigan Avenue, an afternoon street event closes two stretches of Southport Avenue, and the northbound #29 and #146 reroutes around State Street begin at 21:00 CDT. Rule: reduced rail service with a bus substitute and closures with printed hours are Moderate.^{1, 2, 7, 40}

- **Green and Pink Lines, Clinton to Clark/Lake, all day:** service interrupted to Wednesday 28 at 04:00 CDT for the Lake Street bridge. Free shuttle buses replace the Green Line between Clinton and Clark/Lake; Pink Line trains end at Polk, with a transfer to the Blue Line at Racine.^{1, 30} Milwaukee Avenue is closed from Lake Street and Canal Street to Fulton Street for the bridge work, with a detour via Lake, Canal and Fulton.²
- **City Hall, 121 N LaSalle St, 08:30 CDT:** “Stand With Survivors” gathering before the 10:00 CDT Budget and Finance hearing on the 2027 budget, concerning police-misconduct settlements. Organizer and size not stated. (single source)^{31, 22}
- **Early voting, ward sites 09:00–18:00 CDT, downtown sites 09:00–19:00 CDT:** early voting for the 3 November General Election runs to Monday 2 November. Ward sites open 09:00 to 18:00 on weekdays, 09:00 to 17:00 on Saturday and 10:00 to 16:00 on Sunday; from Monday 26 the two downtown sites, the Election supersite at 137 S State St and the Board of Election Commissioners office at 69 W Washington St, extend weekday hours to 19:00. (single source for the hours)^{41, 42}
- **N Michigan Ave, Walton Pl to the tunnel north of Oak St, 10:00–13:00 CDT:** northbound Lake Shore Drive express and entrance lanes closed, repeated Tuesday 27 if required. Detour via Michigan Avenue, local N Lake Shore Drive and LaSalle Drive.²
- **McCormick Place West, 2301 S King Dr:** CoreNet Global North American Summit, from Monday 26.²⁸
- **S Doty Ave (west leg), 115th to 130th, from Monday:** full daily closure for Red Line Extension construction, to 4 December.²

- **S Avenue L, 99th to 100th:** full closure under the railroad bridge, on permit DOT2295030, which runs from 5 October, for a rail crossing repair; permit DOT2301314 adds the column replacement from Monday, to 22 November.²
- **N Southport Ave, 3400–3559 and 3700–3767 N, 12:00–20:00 CDT:** Trick or Treat on Southport, event 16:00 to 19:00 CDT; organizer not stated.^{7, 40}
- **State St, Wacker to Randolph, overnight:** full closures for the State/Lake station reconstruction on a permit running 21 to 31 October; the permit prints no hours. CTA reroutes northbound #29 via Madison, Dearborn and Wacker and northbound #146 via Washington and Michigan from 21:00 CDT Monday to 05:00 CDT Friday 30, for construction on State Street between Randolph and Wacker.^{2, 1}
- **Blue Line, Cumberland to Jefferson Park, 22:00–04:00 CDT:** single-track operation with a boarding change and minor delays, nightly to Thursday night.¹
- **E Balbo Dr, 300–381 E, from 05:00 CDT:** Skechers Hot Chocolate Run 26 set-up closure on race permit 2237242, to Monday 2 November 14:00 CST; expo permit 2259741 prints Wednesday 28 at 05:00 to Monday 2 November 17:00 CST.⁷

Tuesday, October 27 MODERATE

65°

MOSTLY CLOUDY

SOUTHEAST 5 TO 10 MPH · 5%¹⁴

A freight-train break-in delayed Metra BNSF trains in the morning, a bridge lift on the Chicago River, two evening street actions in the West Loop and Logan Square starting 45 minutes apart, and a Blackhawks game at the United Center at 19:00 CDT. Rule: gatherings with printed start times and arena egress are predictable slow-downs with defined ends.^{43, 44, 32, 33, 25}

- **BNSF line, near 24th St and Marshfield Ave, about 09:00 CDT:** a freight train was broken into, according to Metra. At 10:40 CDT Metra reported BNSF inbound and outbound trains moving, with some trains extensively delayed by police activity. A developing story; no further information was given. (single source)⁴³
- **Chicago River bridges, 09:30 CDT:** fall bridge lift; delays are expected at bridges from DuSable Lake Shore Drive to 18th Street. (single source)⁴⁴
- **Armitage Ave and Kimball Ave, 3259 W Armitage Ave, 17:00 CDT:** March for Affordable Rent and Affordable Home Ownership, sponsored by Palenque LSNA. Route, end point and size not stated. (single source)³³
- **Fulton River Park, 353 N Desplaines St, 17:45 CDT:** National Nurses United "Protect Our Patients and Our Vote" day of action, one of six cities. The organizer states the action takes place "directly outside of Common Spirit headquarters"; no address for it is printed. End time, route and size not stated. (single source)³²
- **United Center, 1901 W Madison St, 19:00 CDT:** Los Angeles at Chicago, NHL.²⁵ CTA lists the Blue Line at Illinois Medical District, the Green Line at Damen and Ashland/Lake, and the #19 United Center Express.¹⁰
- [Continuing: Green and Pink Line interruption; northbound Lake Shore Drive lanes on N Michigan Ave if required, 10:00–13:00 CDT; State Street overnight closure permit; northbound #29 and #146 reroutes to Friday 05:00 CDT; Blue Line single-tracking overnight; Small Craft Advisory, Winthrop Harbor to Wilmette Harbor, to 10:00 CDT; early voting, ward sites 09:00–18:00 and downtown sites to 19:00 CDT.]^{1, 2, 12, 41}

Wednesday, October 28

MODERATE

72°

MOSTLY SUNNY

SOUTH-SOUTHWEST 5 TO 10 MPH · 0%¹⁴

The printed end of the Green and Pink Line interruption is 04:00 CDT, the Police Department budget hearing opens at City Hall at 09:30, a groundbreaking closes part of East Wacker Drive at 11:00, a picket takes Federal Plaza from 17:00 to 19:00, and in the evening the Bulls play the United Center at 19:00 CDT while the Fire FC match starts at Soldier Field at 19:30 CDT. Rule: closures, gatherings and stadium and arena egress with printed dates are Moderate.^{1, 22, 45, 44, 34, 5, 6, 3, 4}

- **Green and Pink Lines, 04:00 CDT:** the interruption at the Lake Street bridge reaches its printed end.^{1, 30}
- **City Hall, 121 N LaSalle St, 09:30 CDT:** budget committee hearing, Public Safety Day 1, on the Chicago Police Department and the Department of Public Health budgets. End time not stated.²²
- **35 E Wacker Dr, 11:00 CDT:** ceremonial groundbreaking at the Mother Jones monument site under a City full-closure permit for the day. The permit states that the Mayor and the 42nd Ward alderman are attending. The time is from the 42nd Ward newsletter. (single source for the time)^{45, 44}
- **McCormick Place West:** Chicago Build 2026, Wednesday and Thursday.²⁸
- **Federal Plaza, 230 S Dearborn St, 17:00–19:00 CDT:** picket and rally against the US blockade of Cuba, sponsored by the Chicago Cuba Coalition. Size not stated. (single source)³⁴
- **Site not stated, 17:30–20:00 CDT:** "Trick or Greed" protest directed at Amazon, sponsored by the People's Unity Platform; the listing prints the location as "TBA". (single source)³⁵
- **United Center, 1901 W Madison St, 19:00 CDT:** New York Knicks at Chicago Bulls, NBA.⁵ The venue is from the United Center's event listing (secondary).⁶ CTA lists the Blue Line at Illinois Medical District, the Green Line at Damen and Ashland/Lake, and the #19 United Center Express.¹⁰
- **Soldier Field, 1410 S Special Olympics Dr, 19:30 CDT:** Chicago Fire FC vs. Orlando City SC. The time is from the club's ticket listing; the venue's events page prints none.^{3, 4} Venue maximum 61,500 to 62,500 for football, from a secondary source (several secondary sites and Wikipedia; not confirmed by the venue).⁴⁶ CTA lists the Roosevelt station and the #146 bus for Soldier Field.¹⁰ The United Center and Soldier Field are 3.23 miles apart and both are served by the Green Line.¹⁰
- **E Jackson Dr and E Balbo Dr, 300–381 E, from 05:00 CDT:** Skechers Hot Chocolate Run 26 set-up closures: Jackson Drive from Wednesday 05:00 on race permit 2237242 (expo permit

2259741 prints Thursday 05:00), and Balbo Drive from Wednesday 05:00 on the expo permit (the race permit prints Monday 26 at 05:00).⁷

- [Continuing: State Street overnight closure permit; northbound #29 and #146 reroutes to Friday 05:00 CDT; Blue Line single-tracking overnight; Doty Ave and Avenue L closures; early voting, ward sites 09:00–18:00 and downtown sites to 19:00 CDT.]^{1, 2, 41}

Thursday, October 29

72°

PARTLY SUNNY, CHANCE OF RAIN SHOWERS AFTER 07:00 CDT
WEST-SOUTHWEST AROUND 10 MPH, GUSTS AS HIGH AS 20 MPH · 26%¹⁴

MODERATE

A chance of rain
showers from 07:00
CDT; a morning
bridge lift; the
ANCC conference
opens across
McCormick Place;
the Harris Theater
closures on
Randolph Street
begin; the CCPSA
meeting at 18:30
CDT; and the
DuSable Lake Shore
Drive river bridge
carries a backup
closure date
overnight. Rule:
closures and
meetings with
printed hours are
Moderate.^{14, 44, 28,}
^{47, 48, 49}

- **Chicago River bridges, 09:30 CDT:** fall bridge lift; delays are expected at bridges from DuSable Lake Shore Drive to 18th Street. (single source)⁴⁴
- **McCormick Place, all buildings and the Arie Crown Theater:** ANCC 2026 Magnet and Pathway Conference, Thursday to Saturday 31; Chicago Build ends.²⁸
- **E Randolph St, Michigan Ave to Harbor Dr, from Thursday:** full closure on upper Randolph Street and on the east side of Michigan Avenue from Washington to Randolph, with curb-lane and sidewalk closures on Lower Randolph, for an award show inside the Harris Theater, 205 E Randolph St, to 6 November. The permit prints neither the show date nor the hours.⁴⁷
- **E Jackson Dr, 100–310 E, from 05:00 CDT:** Skechers Hot Chocolate Run 26 set-up closure from Thursday 05:00 on both permits, to Sunday 17:00 CST on race permit 2237242 and to Sunday 15:00 CST on expo permit 2259741.⁷
- **Benito Juarez High School, 1450 W Cermak Rd, 18:30 CDT:** Community Commission for Public Safety and Accountability monthly meeting, with public comment (cards taken 18:00 to 18:30, 20 minutes in total), a superintendent search update and FY2027 budget presentations. End time not stated.⁴⁸ An online call-out asks people to sign up for public comment and to press for an end to CPD crowd control at immigration enforcement. (single source)³⁶

- **DuSable Lake Shore Dr bridge, 148–500 N, 22:00 to Friday 05:00 CDT:** the permit prints this night as the backup date for a full closure to test the bridge after electrical work, with detours via Wacker, Columbus and Illinois northbound and Grand, Columbus and Wacker southbound.^{[49](#)}
- **Blue Line, Jefferson Park to Cumberland, 22:00–04:00 CDT:** single-track operation, last night of the series.^{[1](#)}
- **Vote by mail, application deadline:** Thursday 29 October is the deadline to apply for a mail ballot for the 3 November General Election, at 17:00 CDT per WBEZ (single source for the time); mail ballots must be postmarked on or before Election Day.^{[42](#), [41](#)}
- [Continuing: State Street overnight closure permit; northbound #29 and #146 reroutes to Friday 05:00 CDT; Doty Ave and Avenue L closures; early voting, ward sites 09:00–18:00 and downtown sites to 19:00 CDT.]^{[2](#), [1](#), [41](#)}

Friday, October 30

66°

PARTLY SUNNY, SLIGHT CHANCE OF RAIN SHOWERS AFTER 13:00 CDT
EAST-NORTHEAST AROUND 5 MPH · 23%¹⁴

MODERATE

The Skechers Hot Chocolate RunExpo opens at McCormick Place West at 12:00, a tentative Park District permit covers the Upside Down Halloween Parade at Washington Grove, the weekend closure of East 79th Street begins at 19:00, and MANÁ plays Allstate Arena in Rosemont at 20:00 CDT. Rule: permitted events and arena egress with printed dates are Moderate.^{29, 24, 2, 26}

- **1930 Beach St, Broadview, 07:00 CDT:** “Nosotros + Recordamos” remembrance and ofrenda. Organizer and size not stated. (single source)³⁷
- **McCormick Place West, Halls W190–W196, 2317 S Indiana Ave, 12:00–19:00 CDT:** Skechers Hot Chocolate RunExpo and packet pick-up. (single source)²⁹
- **Washington Grove 01 to 06, 15 and 16:** Upside Down Halloween Parade, Park District permit for non-exclusive use, Friday and Saturday, status tentative. Street address and hours not stated. (single source)²⁴
- **Pilsen:** the first of the three Carrera de los Muertos permits begins, for the 5K on Saturday 31.⁷
- **E 79th St, 1461–1515 E, Friday 19:00 CDT to Monday 2 November 05:30 CST:** weekend full closure for the ComEd Bridge 22 replacement.²
- **Allstate Arena, 6920 N Mannheim Rd, Rosemont, 20:00 CDT:** MANÁ: Vivir Sin Aire Tour. Doors open one hour before the event unless otherwise noted.^{26, 27}
- **Shabbat:** candle lighting at 17:29 CDT.⁵⁰
- **Milwaukee Ave closures, Lake Street bridge:** two of the three permits end Friday; the third runs to 3 November.²
- **Overnight:** a chance of showers and thunderstorms after 01:00 CDT Saturday.¹⁴

- [Continuing: Harris Theater closures on Randolph Street; Hot Chocolate set-up closures on Jackson and Balbo Drives; ANCC at McCormick Place; early voting, ward sites 09:00–18:00 and downtown sites to 19:00 CDT.]^{[47](#), [7](#), [28](#), [41](#)}

Saturday, October 31

68°

MODERATE

MOSTLY CLOUDY, CHANCE OF SHOWERS AND THUNDERSTORMS
EAST-SOUTHEAST AROUND 5 MPH · 30%¹⁴

Halloween: 273 block parties hold residential streets, Pilsen streets close in the morning for a 5K, a bridge lift at 09:00, Columbus and Balbo Drives close from 05:00 for Sunday's race, and from the afternoon Halsted Street and Clark Street in Lakeview carry the Northalsted festival and parade and the Wrigleyville crawl, with Rod Wave at the United Center at 20:00 CDT. Thunder is in the hourly forecast before dawn.

Rule: each closure is permitted for the day with printed limits.^{2, 7, 44, 8, 9, 15}

- **Pilsen, from 04:00 CDT:** Carrera de los Muertos 5K. Full closures from 04:00 CDT on W 21st St, 1300–1700 W, and on S Blue Island Ave and S Laflin St, to 12:00 on permits 1981114 and 2089315 and, for Blue Island 1903–2031 S and Laflin 2000–2027 S, to 19:00 on permit 2252710; and on W 16th St, W 18th St, W 21st Pl, S Throop St, S Wood St, S Paulina St and S Newberry Ave from 05:00 CDT (06:00 on permit 1981114) to 10:30 CDT.⁷ The #9 and #18 buses reroute via Damen and Roosevelt from 03:00 CDT and the #60 via Blue Island, Damen, Roosevelt and Racine from 08:00 CDT; the alerts print no end time.¹
- **S Columbus Dr, 501–1200 S, and E Balbo Dr, 100–300 E, from 05:00 CDT:** Skechers Hot Chocolate Run 26 closures to Sunday 17:00 CST. S Columbus Dr, 100–501 S, and E Ida B Wells Dr, 100–248 E, also close from 05:00 CDT on expo permit 2259741; race permit 2237242 prints Sunday 02:00 CST for them.⁷ The expo runs at McCormick Place West from 10:00 to 17:00 CDT. (single source)²⁹
- **Chicago River bridges, 09:00 CDT:** fall bridge lift; delays are expected at bridges from DuSable Lake Shore Drive to 18th Street. (single source)⁴⁴
- **Block parties, citywide:** 273 special-event block-party permits hold full closures for the day.²
- **W Farragut Ave, 1477–1489 W, 11:00–16:00 CDT:** Aville-o-ween, with a dance show at Farragut and Clark at 14:00 CDT.^{7, 51}
- **Navy Pier, from 11:00 CDT:** Halloween day: trick-or-treating, films in the Crystal Gardens at 17:30 and 19:30, and parties at 20:00 and 21:00 CDT. (single source)⁵²

- **N Halsted St, 3200–3600 N, and cross streets:** Northalsted Halloween festival from 11:00 (permit) or 12:00 (organizer) to 18:00, when the street is cleared; parade at 19:00 CDT from Halsted and Belmont, to Addison per the permit and to Brompton per the organizer; costume contest at 20:00. The organizer bars vehicles from 10:30 CDT Saturday to 02:00 CST Sunday.^{7, 8}
- **N Clark St, 3450–3600 N, with W Eddy St, N Seminary Ave and W Cornelia Ave:** Wrigleyville Halloween Crawl, Saturday to Sunday under a full-closure permit. Hours not stated.⁷
- **Mary Bartelme Park, S Sangamon St, 100–139 S:** 34th Ward Halloween Fest, full closure. Hours not stated.⁷
- **Haunted Paseo, 12:00–17:00 CDT:** haunted house and maze hosted by the Puerto Rican Cultural Center, BUILD and ALSO. Location not stated. (single source)⁵³
- **United Center, 20:00 CDT:** Rod Wave: Don't Look Down Tour.⁹
- **Havdalah:** 18:29 CDT.⁵⁰
- [Continuing: ANCC at McCormick Place, final day; Upside Down Halloween Parade, Washington Grove (tentative); E 79th St weekend closure; Harris Theater closures; early voting, ward sites 09:00–17:00 CDT.]^{28, 24, 2, 47, 41}

Sunday, November 1

MODERATE

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Clocks go back at 02:00; times from then are CST. The Skechers Hot Chocolate Run 26 closes the Grant Park drives from early morning to mid-afternoon, a memorial ride gathers in La Villita at 10:00, a vigil holds Water Tower Park at 17:00 and Rod Wave returns to the United Center at 20:00 CST. Rule: a permitted race footprint with printed hours is a predictable slow-down with a defined end.^{15, 7, 29, 38, 39, 9}

PARTLY SUNNY, CHANCE OF RAIN SHOWERS
SOUTH-SOUTHEAST AROUND 5 MPH · 40%¹⁴

- **Grant Park, from 02:00 CST (Saturday 05:00 CDT for some drives) to 15:00 CST:** Skechers Hot Chocolate Run 26, with 5K, 10K and 15K at 07:30 CST and a 2-mile walk at about 09:15 CST, starting near the Art Institute and finishing near Buckingham Fountain. Full closures on E Monroe Dr, E Ida B Wells Dr and S Columbus Dr from 100 to 501 S from 02:00 CST on race permit 2237242 (expo permit 2259741 prints Saturday 05:00 CDT for Ida B Wells and Columbus), to 15:00 CST; S Columbus Dr from 501 to 1200 S and E Balbo Dr to 17:00 CST; E Jackson Dr to 17:00 CST on the race permit and, for 100–310 E, to 15:00 CST on the expo permit.^{7, 29} The organizer states there is no drop-off on Michigan Avenue because of road closures.²⁹
- **La Villita, 10:00–13:00 CST:** Ride of Silence, “Ofrendas in Motion”, a memorial ride for pedestrians and cyclists killed in traffic. Start address, route and organizer not stated. (single source)³⁸
- **Water Tower Park, 180 E Pearson St, 17:00–18:00 CST:** candlelight vigil marking the twentieth anniversary of a Chicago antiwar activist’s 2006 protest death, organized by “I Heard You Malachi, 2026 formation”. Size not stated. (single source)³⁹
- **United Center, 20:00 CST:** Rod Wave: Don’t Look Down Tour.⁹
- **Early voting, ward sites, 10:00–16:00 CST:** the last Sunday of early voting, which ends Monday 2 November. Most early voting sites also open on Election Day, Tuesday 3 November, when polls are open from 06:00 to 19:00 CST; the Board of Election Commissioners office at 69 W Washington St is closed that day and the State Street supersite is open. (single source for the hours)^{41, 42}
- [Continuing: Wrigleyville crawl permit; E 79th St weekend closure to Monday 05:30 CST; Harris Theater closures; Balbo Drive set-up closure to Monday 2 November, 14:00 or 17:00 CST by permit.]^{7, 2, 47}

Saturday 31 is the day that most constrains movement. 285 special-event full-closure permits are active that day, 273 of them block parties; Pilsen streets close from 04:00 CDT for the 5K with three bus reroutes; Columbus and Balbo Drives close from 05:00 CDT ahead of Sunday’s race; and from 18:00 CDT Halsted Street is cleared for the 19:00 parade

while the Wrigleyville crawl holds Clark Street, with Rod Wave at the United Center at 20:00 CDT.^{2, 7, 1, 8, 9} Sunday morning follows directly, with the remaining Grant Park drives closed for the Skechers Hot Chocolate Run 26 from 02:00 CST on the race permit.^{7, 29} On Wednesday 28 in the evening the Bulls play the United Center from 19:00 CDT and the Fire FC match kicks off at Soldier Field at 19:30 CDT, by the club's listing; the two venues are 3.23 miles apart and both served by the Green Line.^{5, 6, 3, 4, 10}

04 **Street closures**

307 PERMITTED EVENTS

307 special-event permits touch the window; 283 are block parties, and 273 block-party full closures fall on Saturday 31.^{7, 2} Event closures remove a through route on two days: N Halsted Street from 3200 to 3600 N and N Clark Street from 3450 to 3600 N on Saturday 31, and the Grant Park drives, including Columbus Drive from 100 to 1200 S, on Sunday 1 November.⁷ Standing construction holds southbound State Street from Wacker to Randolph and Lake Street from Dearborn to Wabash to 31 December, with overnight full closures of State Street to 31 October, and Milwaukee Avenue from Lake and Canal to Fulton to 30 October and 3 November.² The DuSable Lake Shore Drive river bridge permit prints the night of Thursday 29 as a backup date.⁴⁹

DATE	EVENT	CLOSURE	STREETS AND NOTE
To Wed 28	Lake Street bridge	Rail	Green and Pink Lines interrupted between Clinton and Clark/Lake to 04:00 CDT Wed 28, with free Green Line shuttle buses and a Pink Line transfer to the Blue Line at Racine. ^{1, 30}
To Fri 30 and Tue 3 Nov	Lake Street bascule bridge staging	Full	Milwaukee Ave, Lake to Fulton and Canal to Fulton; detour Lake, northbound Canal, westbound Fulton. Two permits end 30 October, one 3 November. ²

DATE	EVENT	CLOSURE	STREETS AND NOTE
All week	State/Lake station reconstruction	Full	Southbound State St, Wacker to Randolph, and Lake St, Dearborn to Wabash, to 31 December. Southbound #2, #6, #10, #29, #62 and #146 board at State/Washington, #36 at Wacker/State and #148 at Michigan/Washington. The State/Lake 'L' station is closed. ^{2, 1}
To Sat 31	State Street overnight closures	Full	State St, Wacker to Randolph, overnight full closures, permit 21 to 31 October, hours not stated. Separately, northbound #29 and #146 are rerouted from 21:00 CDT Mon 26 to 05:00 CDT Fri 30 for construction on State Street. ^{2, 1}
All week	Lower Wabash Ave	Full	Southbound lanes, Illinois to Hubbard (420–450 N), continuous to 12 November. Detour via Illinois, State and Hubbard. ²
All week	Western Ave viaduct reconstruction	Full	N Western Ave, 300–429 N (Fulton to Hubbard), to 7 December. The permit describes single-direction closures. ²
All week	Pershing Rd bridge	Full	W Pershing Rd, Ashland to Morgan (1100–1400 W), to 17 November. ²
All week	ComEd Bridge 22	Full	E 79th St, 1461–1515 E; weekend full closure Fri 30, 19:00 CDT, to Mon 2 Nov, 05:30 CST, repeating on weekends to 30 April. ²

DATE	EVENT	CLOSURE	STREETS AND NOTE
All week	92nd Street bascule bridge	Full	S Ewing Ave, 9207–9485 S, reconstruction to November 2028. ²
From Mon 26	Red Line Extension	Full	S Doty Ave (west leg, west of I-94), 115th to 130th, full daily closure to 4 December. ²
To Sun 22 Nov	Avenue L rail crossing repair and column replacement	Full	S Avenue L under the railroad bridge, 99th to 100th: permit DOT2295030 from 5 October (to 1 November) and permit DOT2301314 from 26 October (to 22 November). ²
Mon 26, Tue 27 if required	Lake Shore Drive tunnel lanes	Full	Northbound LSD express and entrance lanes on N Michigan Ave, Walton Pl to the tunnel north of Oak St, 10:00–13:00 CDT. Detour via Michigan Ave, local N Lake Shore Dr and LaSalle Dr. ²
Mon 26	Trick or Treat on Southport	Full	N Southport Ave, 3400–3559 and 3700–3767 N, 12:00–20:00 CDT. ^{7, 40}
Mon 26 to Mon 2 Nov	Skechers Hot Chocolate Run 26 set-up	Full	E Balbo Dr, 300–381 E, from Mon 26 05:00 (race permit) or Wed 28 05:00 (expo permit) to Mon 2 Nov 14:00 or 17:00 CST; E Jackson Dr, 300–381 E, from Wed 28 (race permit) or Thu 29 (expo permit) 05:00 to Sun 17:00 CST; E Jackson Dr, 100–310 E, from Thu 29 05:00 to Sun 17:00 CST (race permit) or 15:00 CST (expo permit). ⁷
Wed 28	Mother Jones groundbreaking	Full	35 E Wacker Dr; ceremony at 11:00 CDT per the 42nd Ward. ^{45, 44}

DATE	EVENT	CLOSURE	STREETS AND NOTE
Thu 29 to Fri 6 Nov	Award show, Harris Theater	Full and curb lane	Upper Randolph St, Michigan Ave to Harbor Dr, and Michigan Ave (east side), Washington to Randolph; curb-lane and sidewalk closures on Lower Randolph. Hours not stated. ⁴⁷
Thu 29 to Fri 30	DuSable Lake Shore Drive bridge (backup date)	Full	148–500 N, 22:00 Thu to 05:00 CDT Fri, printed as the backup date for testing after electrical work. Northbound detour via Wacker, Columbus and Illinois; southbound via Grand, Columbus and Wacker. ⁴⁹
Fri 30 and Sat 31	Carrera de los Muertos (UNO 5K)	Full	Pilsen: W 16th, W 18th and W 21st Sts, W 21st Pl, S Throop, Wood, Laflin, Paulina and Newberry, and Blue Island Ave. Hours by street: W 21st St 04:00–12:00; Blue Island Ave and Laflin St from 04:00 to 12:00, and to 19:00 on one permit; the other streets 05:00 or 06:00 to 10:30 CDT. #9, #18 and #60 rerouted from Sat 31. ⁷ 1
Sat 31	Block parties	Full	273 residential block-party closures, citywide. ²
Sat 31	Northalsted Halloween festival and parade	Full	N Halsted St, 3200–3600 N, with Roscoe, Melrose, Aldine, Cornelia, Buckingham, Brompton and Newport. Festival 11:00–18:00, parade 19:00 CDT; vehicles barred 10:30 CDT to 02:00 CST Sunday per the organizer. ⁷ 8

DATE	EVENT	CLOSURE	STREETS AND NOTE
Sat 31 to Sun 1	Wrigleyville Halloween Crawl	Full	N Clark St, 3450–3600 N; W Eddy St, 1100–1160 W; N Seminary Ave, 3505–3525 N; W Cornelia Ave, 1041–1057 W. Hours not stated. ⁷
Sat 31	Aville-o-ween	Full	W Farragut Ave, 1477–1489 W (Clark to the east alley), 11:00–16:00 CDT. ^{7, 51}
Sat 31	34th Ward Halloween Fest	Full	S Sangamon St, 100–139 S, at Mary Bartelme Park. Hours not stated. ⁷
Sat 31 to Sun 1	Skechers Hot Chocolate Run 26	Full	S Columbus Dr, 501–1200 S, and E Balbo Dr, 100–300 E, from Sat 05:00 CDT to Sun 17:00 CST; S Columbus Dr, 100–501 S, and E Ida B Wells Dr, 100–248 E, from Sat 05:00 CDT (expo permit) or Sun 02:00 CST (race permit) to Sun 15:00 CST; E Monroe Dr from Sun 02:00 CST to 15:00 CST. ⁷

Permit records show filings, not street conditions, and they lag emergency work.

05 CPD pattern alerts

32 COUNTED OF 33 PUBLISHED IN 30 DAYS

33 alerts were published from 26 September to 25 October. 32 are counted: 24 that Week Ahead No. 9 read and printed, whose districts, series, patterns and references are carried from No. 9, and 8 read from the printed alert itself: P26-3-039 (19th), P26-3-040 (12th), P26-2-017 (22nd), P26-3-041 (1st), P26-5-020 (25th), 26-CWP-029 (17th, 24th, 25th), P26-1-077 A (3rd), JK449694 (6th).^{17, 18, 19} By type, burglary is the largest group, 11, followed by aggravated battery, 9, robbery, 6, and theft, 2; 26-CWP-028, whose heading reads armed robberies but whose body describes business burglaries, is counted as burglary, as in No. 9. The 1st and 6th Districts carry 5 each, the 7th, 12th and 18th 4 each, and the 2nd, 14th and 25th 3 each. Seven counted alerts were published after No. 9's alert window closed on 18 October. One alert is listed below and not counted: JK443146, a public indecency alert, under the standing practice for sexual-offense alerts.^{17, 18, 19} Alert volume measures how often the Department publishes a notice, not how much crime occurred.

PUBLISHED	DISTRICTS	SERIES	PATTERN	REFERENCE
Oct 25, 15:53	6	Community	Aggravated battery (a CTA passenger at a Red Line station, 0-100 block W 95th St, Roseland; Oct 13 incident, about 15:30 CDT)	JK449694 (printed alert; feed title
Oct 25, 10:59	3	Community	Armed robberies (at a drive-thru ATM, 6600 block S Stony Island, Woodlawn; 4 incidents, Oct 17 to 25)	P26-1-077 A (printed alert; first p
Oct 23, 12:33	17, 24, 25	Business	Commercial burglaries (jewelry businesses entered by driving a vehicle through the front window; Albany Park, Rogers Park, West Ridge and Avondale; 4 incidents, Oct 20 to 23)	26-CWP-029 (printed alert; feed tit

PUBLISHED	DISTRICTS	SERIES	PATTERN	REFERENCE
Oct 22, 12:10	25	Community	Burglaries from motor vehicles (a window broken and contents taken; Belmont Central and Belmont Cragin; 8 incidents, Oct 1 to 17)	P26-5-020 (printed alert)
Oct 21, 17:05	1	Business	Thefts (at restaurants and coffee shops, by offenders posing as charity fundraisers; Chicago Loop, West Loop and Near South Side; 8 incidents, Oct 7 to 18)	P26-3-041 (printed alert)
Oct 21, 13:33	22	Community	Armed robberies (phones taken at gunpoint and victims made to change the passwords; South Side and Roseland, as printed; 2 incidents, Oct 16 and 19)	P26-2-017 (printed alert)

PUBLISHED	DISTRICTS	SERIES	PATTERN	REFERENCE
Oct 19, 09:59	12	Community	Motor vehicle thefts (vehicles parked on the public way; West Town, Fulton Market District and Near West Side; 19 incidents, Oct 1 to 13)	P26-3-040 (printed alert)
Oct 16, 19:42	7	Community	Hit and run	608-26-014
Oct 16, 19:12	14, 18	Business	Armed robberies with a handgun (heading as printed; the body describes business burglaries; counted as burglary)	26-CWP-028
Oct 16, 15:45	19	Community	Burglaries from motor vehicles & criminal damage to vehicles (unoccupied vehicles parked near parks and the lakefront, Uptown; 14 incidents, Oct 10 to 13)	P26-3-039 (printed alert)

PUBLISHED	DISTRICTS	SERIES	PATTERN	REFERENCE
Oct 16, 12:29	12	Community	Criminal damage to vehicles	P26-3-038
Oct 15, 15:51	1, 12, 18	Community	Criminal damage to property & burglaries	P26-3-036
Oct 15, 15:12	14, 16, 17	Business	Commercial burglaries	P26-5-019
Oct 15, 12:55	18	Community	Aggravated battery	JK446326
Oct 15, 10:06	15	Community	Aggravated battery (Sept 6 incident)	JK402739
Oct 14, 14:56	1	Community	Aggravated battery/senior citizen	JK439340
Oct 12, 14:00	6, 22	Community	Armed robbery with handgun	P25-02-015CA (feed title P26-2-015
Oct 12, 13:51	2	Community	Criminal damage to vehicles	P26-1-072 A
Oct 11, 15:49	6	Community	Armed robberies with handgun	P26-2-016
Oct 10, 11:29	20	Community	Public indecency (sexual-offense alert; listed, not counted)	JK443146 (printed alert; feed title

PUBLISHED	DISTRICTS	SERIES	PATTERN	REFERENCE
Oct 6, 12:24	15	Community	Aggravated battery	JK420398
Oct 5, 15:56	2, 6	Business	Commercial burglaries	26-CWP-027
Oct 5, 13:24	1	Community	Aggravated battery	JK438007
Oct 2, 22:25	11	Community	Homicide (May 3, 2022 incident)	JF228530
Oct 2, 10:45	7	Community	Aggravated battery	JK433359
Oct 2, 09:28	7	Community	Aggravated battery & aggravated robbery	JK427596
Oct 1, 11:56	7	Community	Armed robberies	P26-1-074
Sept 30, 18:45	2, 8, 9	Business	Commercial burglaries	P26-1-073 B
Sept 30, 15:40	12, 14, 19, 25	Business	Commercial burglaries	26-CWP-026
Sept 29, 23:14	16	Community	Residential garage burglaries	P26-5-018
Sept 29, 20:14	6	Community	Homicide	JK427296

PUBLISHED	DISTRICTS	SERIES	PATTERN	REFERENCE
Sept 28, 12:17	1	Community	Burglaries from motor vehicles, criminal damage to vehicles & aggravated assault: handgun	P26-3-034
Sept 26, 11:31	18	Community	Aggravated battery	JK423622

Published times are CDT, from the Department's news feed. Rows marked "printed alert" show the district, pattern, incidents and reference as the alert itself prints them, and each printed alert date matches its feed date; where the feed title prints a different reference, both are shown. Rows with no mark are as Week Ahead No. 9 printed them from each alert (SECONDARY, not re-read for this edition).^{17, 18, 19}

Offender descriptions, taken from the eight counted alerts read from the printed alert: JK449694, an African American male wearing a green hooded sweater with yellow designs, black pants and green and white gym shoes; P26-3-041, in several incidents an African American male, 17 to 25 years old, wearing dark clothing and a face covering, and in others multiple offenders described as African American males, 17 to 25 years old, wearing dark clothing and face coverings, with two vehicles, a late-model white Buick and a black Mazda sedan; P26-1-077 A, an African American male, 30 to 38 years old, 5'9" to 5'11", last seen in a black hooded sweatshirt and a black ski mask; 26-CWP-029, three to four males in black clothing, ski masks and gloves, who fled in a separate vehicle; P26-2-017, a Black male, 6'0" to 6'2", wearing a black sweatshirt; P26-3-039, P26-3-040 and P26-5-020, unknown.¹⁹

06 Planned gatherings

Each gathering below is listed with the source that announces it.

- **Monday 26, 08:30 CDT, City Hall, 121 N LaSalle St:** "Stand With Survivors" gathering at the Budget and Finance committee hearing (10:00 CDT), in support of police-misconduct settlement funding in the 2027 budget. Organizer, end time and size not stated. (single source)^{31, 22}
- **Tuesday 27, 17:00 CDT, Armitage Avenue and Kimball Avenue (3259 W Armitage Ave):** March for Affordable Rent and Affordable Home Ownership, sponsored by Palenque LSNA, addressed to state officials. Route, end point and size not stated. (single source)³³

- **Tuesday 27, 17:45 CDT, Fulton River Park, 353 N Desplaines St:** National Nurses United “Protect Our Patients and Our Vote” day of action, held “directly outside of Common Spirit headquarters” in the organizer’s words; no address for it is printed. End time, route and size not stated. (single source)³²
- **Wednesday 28, 17:00–19:00 CDT, Federal Plaza, 230 S Dearborn St:** picket line and rally against the US blockade of Cuba, sponsored by the Chicago Cuba Coalition. Size not stated. (single source)³⁴
- **Wednesday 28, 17:30–20:00 CDT, site not stated:** “Trick or Greed” protest directed at Amazon, sponsored by the People’s Unity Platform, linked to demands on the City’s 2027 budget. (single source)³⁵
- **Thursday 29, 18:30 CDT, Benito Juarez High School, 1450 W Cermak Rd:** an online call-out for public comment at the CCPSA monthly meeting, seeking an end to CPD and ICE collaboration and to CPD crowd control at immigration enforcement. Public comment is limited to 20 minutes in total. Organizer and size not stated. (single source for the call-out)^{36, 48}
- **Friday 30, 07:00 CDT, 1930 Beach St, Broadview:** “Nosotros + Recordamos” remembrance and ofrenda. Organizer and size not stated. (single source)³⁷
- **Saturday 31, 19:00 CDT, N Halsted Street:** Northalsted Halloween Parade from Halsted and Belmont, to Addison per the City full-closure permit and to Brompton per the organizer, after a street festival from 11:00 to 18:00. The organizer prints “more than 300” costumed participants; no crowd size is stated.^{7, 8}
- **Friday 30 and Saturday 31, Washington Grove 01 to 06, 15 and 16:** Upside Down Halloween Parade, Park District permit for non-exclusive use, status tentative. Address, hours, route and size not stated. (single source)²⁴
- **Sunday 1 November, 10:00–13:00 CST, La Villita:** Ride of Silence, “Ofrendas in Motion”, a memorial ride for pedestrians and cyclists killed in traffic. Start address, route, organizer and size not stated. (single source)³⁸
- **Sunday 1 November, 17:00–18:00 CST, Water Tower Park, 180 E Pearson St:** candlelight vigil organized by “I Heard You Malachi, 2026 formation”, marking the twentieth anniversary of a Chicago antiwar activist’s 2006 protest death. Size not stated. (single source)³⁹

NOTE ON UNPERMITTED ASSEMBLY

Where this brief notes that a gathering is unpermitted, that is a statement about **data availability** and nothing else. Peaceful assembly and protest are protected activity. TB Defense reports gatherings solely because they affect how long it takes to move through a street, and takes no position on the subject, organisers or participants.

07 Since the last edition

Week Ahead No. 9 (19 to 25 October), scored. The week was dry, as forecast. Observed highs at O’Hare and Midway ran 3 to 6 F above the forecast every day. Fog was recorded at

both airports on Wednesday 21, Thursday 22 and Friday 23, and at O'Hare on Tuesday 20; No. 9's hourly forecast carried fog on Wednesday morning only. The highest gust was 20 mph, at Midway on Friday 23.⁵⁴ No NWS watch, warning or advisory named a Cook County zone from 19 to 25 October other than the Dense Fog Advisory of Tuesday 20.⁵⁵

Events. The Bears played the New England Patriots at Soldier Field on Thursday 22 as scheduled and won 30–24.²¹ The Blackhawks played the United Center on Friday 23 and Sunday 25 at the times printed.²⁵ PACK EXPO International ran at McCormick Place from 18 to 21 October, the dates No. 9 printed.⁵⁶

Transit and closures. The Green and Pink Line interruption at the Lake Street bridge was extended after No. 9's publication: CTA now prints its end as 04:00 CDT Wednesday 28, not Monday 26.^{1, 30} The Blue Line single-tracking near Jefferson Park continued after Thursday 22: CTA added the night of Sunday 25 and nightly single-tracking between Cumberland and Jefferson Park from Monday 26 to Friday 30.¹ The permits for the N Morgan Street, Goethe Street, Columbia Avenue, Rockwell Street and Wood Street closures ended on their printed dates. The DuSable Lake Shore Drive bridge permit still prints Thursday 29 as its backup date.^{2, 49} The State Street overnight closure permit (from 21 October), the Doty Avenue closure, the Avenue L column-replacement permit (from 26 October; permit DOT2295030 for the Avenue L closure has run from 5 October) and the Harris Theater closures are new since No. 9.^{2, 47}

CPD alerts. Seven alerts were published after No. 9's alert window closed on 18 October: P26-3-040 (12th, 19 October, 09:59 CDT), which No. 9 named from its feed title, and, after No. 9's feed reading of 20 October, 11:01 CDT, six from 21 October, 13:33 CDT to 25 October, 15:53 CDT: P26-2-017 (22nd), P26-3-041 (1st), P26-5-020 (25th), 26-CWP-029 (17th, 24th and 25th), P26-1-077 A (3rd; first posted on 24 October as P26-1-077CA and reposted on 25 October with a fourth incident) and JK449694 (6th; its feed title first printed JK445923). All seven are read from the printed alert and counted. Of the two alerts No. 9 listed from their feed titles, P26-3-039 (19th) is now read from the printed alert and counted, and JK443146 (its feed title prints JK443416), which the printed alert gives as public indecency in the 20th District, stays listed under the standing practice for sexual-offense alerts. On the same counting rule the 30-day count moves from No. 9's 30 to 32 and districts from 17 to 18, while robbery-classified alerts stay at 6 and multi-district alerts at 8: alerts No. 9 counted have passed out of the look-back, and the alerts added include two robbery alerts, P26-2-017 and P26-1-077 A, and one multi-district alert, 26-CWP-029.^{17, 18, 19}

Corrections to No. 9.

- The Dense Fog Advisory of Tuesday 20 October did not end at 09:00 CDT as printed: at 07:38 CDT it was extended to 10:00 CDT; Central Cook was cancelled at 09:14 CDT and Northern Cook remained in force to 10:00 CDT.⁵⁵

In the news

Chicago

- **Federal case unsealed over powder letters to Illinois congressional offices.** On Monday 26 October the Justice Department said a man allegedly mailed letters containing white powder to four members of Congress with offices in the Northern District of Illinois; one powder was salt, and no one was injured. For protective details: suspicious letters at four Chicago-area congressional offices on 16 October led to an evacuation at one.^{[57](#), [58](#)}
- **Freight train broken into on the BNSF line; Metra trains delayed.** On Tuesday 27 October at about 09:00 CDT a freight train was broken into near 24th Street and Marshfield Avenue, Metra confirmed. At 10:40 CDT Metra reported BNSF inbound and outbound trains moving, with some extensively delayed by police activity. Reported after this edition first published; a developing story.^{[43](#)}

World

- **US orders non-emergency staff out of Saudi Arabia as Middle East advisories are reissued.** The State Department reissued its travel advisories for 13 Middle East countries on Friday 23 October, citing Houthi attacks that include strikes on Riyadh's airport, with levels largely unchanged. The Saudi Arabia advisory, Level 3, states that non-emergency US government employees and family members were ordered to leave on 23 October.^{[59](#), [60](#)}

EP and VIP

- **Federal charge over an alleged plan to shoot the President at a Syracuse rally.** On Monday 26 October the US Attorney's Office in Syracuse, New York, announced a charge against a local man accused of telling a co-worker on 7 October that he wanted a gun to shoot the President at a rally there on 9 October. He appeared in court on 9 October and was released on conditions.^{[61](#)}

08

Holidays and observances

DATE	OBSERVANCE	WHAT IT MEANS FOR MOVEMENT
To Mon, Nov 2	Early voting, 3 November general election	Early voting runs to Monday 2 November at ward sites, among them Willye B. White Park, 1610 W Howard St, from 09:00 to 18:00 on weekdays, 09:00 to 17:00 CDT on Saturday 31 and 10:00 to 16:00 CST on Sunday 1 November, and at the downtown sites, the Election supersite at 137 S State St and the Board of Election Commissioners office at 69 W Washington St, where weekday hours extend to 19:00 from Monday 26. ^{62, 41, 42} The deadline to apply to vote by mail is Thursday 29 October, 17:00 CDT per WBEZ; mail ballots must be postmarked on or before Election Day. ^{42, 41} The General Election is Tuesday 3 November, just after the window: polls are open 06:00 to 19:00 CST, most early voting sites also open, and the 69 W Washington St office is closed. ^{41, 42, 22}

DATE	OBSERVANCE	WHAT IT MEANS FOR MOVEMENT
Fri, Oct 30	Shabbat	Candle lighting at 17:29 CDT Friday; havdalah at 18:29 CDT Saturday. ⁵⁰
Sat, Oct 31	Halloween	273 block-party street closures; the Northalsted parade at 19:00 CDT and the Wrigleyville crawl in Lakeview; the Carrera de los Muertos in Pilsen in the morning. ^{2, 7, 8}
Sun, Nov 1	End of daylight saving time	Clocks go back from 02:00 CDT to 01:00 CST, and the hour from 01:00 to 01:59 occurs twice. The Skechers Hot Chocolate Run 26 closures that begin "Sunday 2am" on the race permit begin at 02:00 CST, after the repeated hour; the Wrigleyville crawl permit prints no hours. ^{15, 7}
Sun, Nov 1	Día de los Muertos	A memorial ride in La Villita from 10:00 CST. ³⁸

09 Workforce disruption

WARN FILINGS

One WARN notice in the region has a first separation date inside the window: MAT Holdings, Inc. (GRI Engineering), 821 Bluff Rd, Romeoville, in Will County, lists 97 workers from 31 October to 15 November. Seven notices that began earlier print separation dates or schedules that reach into the window, in Cook, DuPage, Lake and Will counties; two of their sites are in the City, Fulton Troika LLC (Fulton Market), 4501 W 42nd St, and TV Hardward Distribution, LLC, 8600 W Bryn Mawr Ave.⁶³

DATE	EMPLOYER	LOCATION	PEOPLE
Oct 31 to Nov 15	MAT Holdings, Inc. (GRI Engineering)	Romeoville, Will	97
Oct 25 to Nov 30	Fulton Troika LLC (Fulton Market)	Chicago, Cook	109

DATE	EMPLOYER	LOCATION	PEOPLE
Oct 9 to Jan 8	TV Hardward Distribution, LLC	Chicago, Cook	116 (101 in Octob
Oct 6 to about Nov 5	Capital One	Riverwoods, Lake	at least 431 addi
Sept 4 to Oct 30	CJ Logistics America, LLC	University Park, Will	89 (30 in October
Sept 6 to Apr 1, each "or w/in 14 days after"	D&H Distributing Company	Bolingbrook, Will	68 (2 in October)
June 14 to Oct 27	Silver Star Protection Group	Rolling Meadows, Cook	64
Oct 4 to Dec 31, each "or within 14 days after"	GreenWood, Inc.	Hanover Park, DuPage	28

Counts and causes are as the employer filed them. Nothing in a WARN filing describes conduct, and nothing here suggests any named employer or workforce presents a risk.

10 **Asked and answered**

Is Columbus Drive closed this week?

Yes, for the Skechers Hot Chocolate Run 26 on Sunday 1 November. E Monroe Drive is fully closed from 02:00 CST Sunday to 15:00 CST, and S Columbus Drive from 100 to 501 S and E Ida B Wells Drive from 100 to 248 E are fully closed from 02:00 CST Sunday on the race permit, or from 05:00 CDT Saturday on the expo permit, to 15:00 CST, and S Columbus Drive from 501 to 1200 S and E Balbo Drive from 100 to 300 E from 05:00 CDT Saturday 31 to 17:00 CST Sunday. The races start at 07:30 CST near the Art Institute, and the organizer states there is no drop-off on Michigan Avenue because of road closures. Set-up closures hold parts of Balbo Drive and Jackson Drive east of Columbus from earlier in the week.

What is the worst window for movement in Chicago this week?

Saturday 31 October from 18:00 CDT to 02:00 CST Sunday in Lakeview, when Halsted Street from Belmont to Addison is cleared for the 19:00 CDT Northalsted Halloween Parade and vehicles are barred until 02:00 CST, while the Wrigleyville Halloween Crawl holds Clark Street from 3450 to 3600 N to the west, 0.26 mile away at the nearest point between the two permits' coordinates. Rod Wave plays the United Center at 20:00 CDT the same evening. Saturday also carries 273 block-party closures citywide and the Carrera de los Muertos closures in Pilsen in the morning. On Wednesday 28 in the evening the Bulls play the United Center from 19:00 CDT and the Fire FC match kicks off at Soldier Field at 19:30 CDT, by the club's listing; the two venues are 3.23 miles apart and both served by the Green Line.

Which streets are closed for events?

307 special-event permits touch the week, 283 of them block parties, and 273 block-party closures fall on Saturday 31. The main event closures are N Halsted Street from 3200 to 3600 N for the Northalsted Halloween festival and parade, N Clark Street from 3450 to 3600 N for the Wrigleyville crawl, streets in Pilsen for the Carrera de los Muertos and W Farragut Avenue for Aville-o-ween, all on Saturday 31, and the Grant Park drives, including Columbus Drive, for the Skechers Hot Chocolate Run 26 on Sunday 1 November. On Monday 26 Southport Avenue closed from 12:00 to 20:00 CDT for Trick or Treat on Southport, and from Thursday 29 upper Randolph Street from Michigan Avenue to Harbor Drive closes for an award show at the Harris Theater.

Will weather delay flights at O'Hare or Midway?

Neither airport had a ground stop, ground delay program, delay or closure in the FAA status file at 09:30 CDT on Tuesday 27 October. The National Weather Service saw a low potential for a brief window of low cloud after sunrise on Tuesday, scattering by mid-morning.

Thunder appears in the hourly forecast only from 01:00 to 07:00 CDT on Saturday 31, at 29 percent, and rain chances rise to 40 percent on Sunday morning; winds stay at 15 mph or less in the hourly forecast, with gusts to 20 mph on Thursday.

How many CPD alerts are open?

32 counted pattern alerts were published by the Chicago Police Department from 26 September to 25 October 2026, across 18 districts: 24 on the districts and types Week Ahead No. 9 read from each alert, and 8 read from the printed alert itself. 6 are robbery-classified and 8 name more than one district; the 1st and 6th Districts carry the most, 5 each. Following standing practice, one sexual-offense alert is listed but not counted, for 33 published. Alert counts measure how often the Department publishes a notice, not how much crime occurred.

What is the forecast?

Mild all week. Highs run from 65 on Tuesday to 72 on Wednesday and 72 on Thursday, then 66 Friday, 68 Saturday and 67 Sunday, with lows from 53 to 59. Thursday carries a chance of rain showers from 07:00 CDT, late Friday night and early Saturday a chance of showers and thunderstorms, and Sunday a chance of rain showers of up to 40 percent. The forecaster expects periodic chances for showers and perhaps isolated thunderstorms through the weekend, with dry periods between.

11 Ratings and color coding

HOW TO READ THE SHADING

Each rating scores how much something **constrains movement** across the period. None of them scores danger, and none of them scores a place.

LOW

No scheduled constraint. Normal routes, nothing on the calendar that changes them.

MODERATE

A predictable window will slow movement, and it has a defined end: stadium egress, a festival footprint, a holiday return build.

HIGH

A route or a capacity is **removed** rather than reduced, and there is no equivalent substitute.

DISCLAIMER ON THE RATINGS

The ratings are **TB Defense's own editorial judgement**, not an official designation and not a statistical model. They describe conditions as of publication and go stale. A Low rating is not an assurance of safety and a High rating is not a prediction of harm. Ratings apply to **movement across the region**, never to a neighborhood, a community or a group of people.

12 End notes

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