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Richton Park 's Walmart Supercenter Grand Opening

Village of Richton Park

RICHTON PARK, IL. June 1, 2016 – Finally, after a year of wonder, anticipation, our brand spanking new Richton Park Walmart Supercenter is open! Wednesday, June 1st, Richton Park and Walmart hosted a huge grand opening to celebrate the store's being open to residents and the community. Kicking off at 7:30am, the morning's ceremony and event included words from Store Manager Eric Jones and President Rick Reinbold, the Ribbon Cutting with Walmart representatives and Richton Park Board of Trustees, many photo-ops, store walk-throughs, free samples, free, products, store deals, and cake! Grand opening activities lasted all throughout the weekend also, as there were visits from Bimbo the Bear, the Miller Girls, and Coors Girls.

Richton Park is over-joyed about the new, 182,000 square-foot establishment because it is a 24-hour Supercenter that includes a full fresh grocery, deli, bakery, and vision center, along with the usual Walmart outfitting. Located at 22401 Central Ave. at Sauk Trail, Walmart is easily accessible by not only Richton Park residents, but shoppers from surrounding communities as well via Interstate 57, within an area that is in need of such a store.

According to Interim Village Manager Regan Stockstell, "This is the single-largest retail development in the history of Richton Park." Stockstell said not only does it offer one-stop shopping that residents have been asking for, it also provides jobs. Jones said all the 190 employees from the Matteson location transferred to the new store. Wal-Mart also added another 150 employees, providing 340 jobs total.

The Village of Richton Park is expecting to become an economic development powerhouse within the next couple of years, as "Team Richton Park" has met with many different retailers, locally and at this year's annual ICSC ReCon in Las Vegas, as well as planning the upcoming re-development of Lakewood Plaza and Towne Center.

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