# Parcel Search & Tabular Data Section

CITy|NEWS combines a database driven interface with an online interactive mapping component. Many of the data available on CITy|NEWS are publicly available through various city, county, state or federal government agencies. CITy|NEWS serves as a clearinghouse to bring this information together under one Internet site. The site is geared toward the needs of community developers and housing advocates and aims to level the playing field for these non-profit entities in regard to the information private developers are able to purchase at high costs. CITy|NEWS has eight major databases that it draws its information from. These include; Tax Information, Violations, Housing Court, Fire Information, Water Arrears, Tax Sales, Census Information, and Sales Information. CITy|NEWS then uses this information to create indicators to help predict and to provide community groups with the necessary tools to intervene and guide their community's growth more equitably.

This help section provides an example of a typical search using the <u>Parcel Search & Tabular Data Section of CITy/NEWS</u>.

# **Search Options**

There are three main search options to CITy|NEWS: Single Property, Area and Aggregate Statistics. Whereas the Single Property offers site specific information, the later allows for comparisons on a larger scale.

Single Property Search Example

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The *Single Property Search* provides a wealth of information specific to a particular parcel. The following example outlines some of the data available from CITy|NEWS. This particular example pertains to a property located at 438 West 61<sup>st</sup> Street in the Englewood Community Area.

## Harris File

CNT receives the Harris File from the Chicago Department of Planning and Development and CITy|NEWS is updated annually with the most current data. The Harris File offers a general description of the property, including its size and location, such as its Ward, Census Tract, and Community Area.

General Description of Property (Harris File)			
Address		PIN	Structure ID
438-438 W 61	ST	20-16-314-023	02016314023000
Units	Stories	Land Area (100s of square ft.)	Floor Space (100s of square ft.)
3	2	59	
Vacancy	Use	First Parcel Building is on	Building Number
	10		
Update Status	Record Type	Date of last field survey	Street Code
		897	9368
Census Tract	Clensus Block	Year Built	Assessor's Class
6802	309	1884	3
Exempt	Construction	Old Parcel	Community Area
			68
Ward	Zip Code	State Senate/House	US Congress District
20	60621	12/023	01

#### Tax Assessor

The Tax Assessor data offers the most specific information about a property. CNT receives the Tax Assessor data from the Cook County Assessor and the data on CITy|NEWS are updated annually.

In addition to hosting the actual data on CNT's system, CITy|NEWS also provides a direct link to the most current tax information available over the Internet via the Cook County Assessor and Cook County Treasurer's website. Having the actual data file enables CNT to aggregate tax information to create indicators of change. For example, we can combine these data with information on code violations to determine the

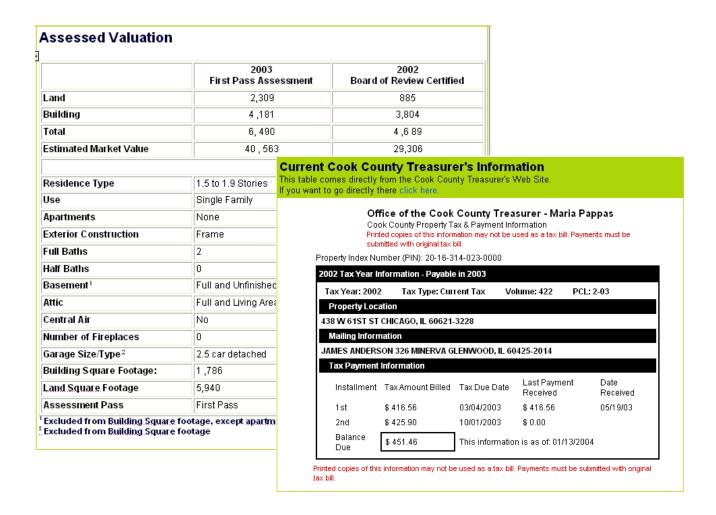
2001 Cook County Tax Assessor Information				
PIN	Address	City	Zip Code	
20163140230000	438 W 61ST ST	CHICAGO	60621-3228	
Tax-Payer	Tax-Payer's Address	Tax-Payer's City	Tax-Payer Zip	
JAMES ANDERSON	326 MINERVA	GLENWOOD IL	60425	
Class Description				
R esidential : One Story Residence, any age, up to 1,000 to 1,800 S q.Ft.				
Assessed Value of Land	Assessed Value of Buildings	Total Assessed Value	Class	
\$885	\$3804	\$ 4689	203	

99 Cook County Tax Assessor Information						
PIN	Address	City	Zip Code			
20163140230000	438 W 61ST ST	CHICAGO	60621			
Tax-Payer	Tax-Payer's Address	Tax-Payer's City	Tax-Payer Zip			
JAMES ANDERSON	326 MINERVA	GLENWOOD IL	60425			
Class						
Residential : One Story Residence, any age, up to 1,000 to 1,800 Sq.Ft.						
Land Area	Number of Apartments	Туре	Use			
5 9 4 0	0	5	1			
Age of Youngest/Oldest Building on the Parcel	Document ID	Sale Price (if Available)	Sale Date (if Available)			
114 years/114 years	114 years/114 years 0 \$0					
Assessed Value of Land	Assessed Value of Buildings	Total Assessed Value	Code			
\$577	\$3572	\$4149	1			

extent that these may be attributable to absentee landlords at a community area level, which serves as an indicator of housing neglect and community ownership.

Specifically, the tax assessor data provides information on the overall characteristics of a parcel, such as size, type of structure, designated landuse, assessed value, and year built. The link to the Cook County Treasurer's website provides information on tax amounts and whether they are current to a specific property.

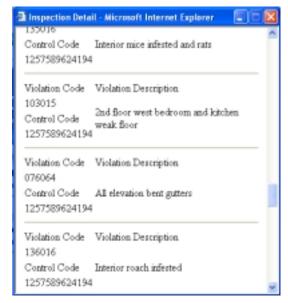




## **Inspection Violations**

CNT receives the Inspection Violation database from the Chicago Department of Business Information Services. The database contains a detailed account of the inspection violations for a specific property. Having access to this information will alert housing advocates and provide them with the opportunity to intervene with poorly maintained properties.

Inspection Violation					
Address	Last Inspection Date Number of Violations	Control Code			
438-438 W 61 ST	34	1257589624194			
Contact 1					
JAMES ANDERS	JAMES ANDERSON (O) CHGO IL60621 O 438 W 61ST ST				
C ontact 2					
	Click Here for Inspection Violation Detail				



## **Housing Court Record**

The Housing Court Record database is also from the Chicago Department of Business Information Services. This information coincides with the inspection violation database in that it tracks those violations and where they stand in the courts.

Housing Court Record				
Address	PIN	Inspection Date	Number of Violations	
438-438 W 61 ST	2016314023	2001-05-14	34	
Court Room	Court Date	Court Time	Case Number	
1105	2001-01-01	09:30:00		
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Violation Code	Inspection Date
134016	2001-05-14
Violation Location	Violation Description
Front at west rat holes	Failure to rid premises of rodents and real rodent holes. (13-196-530 D, 13-196-540 A, 13-196-630 C)
Violation Code	Inspection Date
140016	2001-05-14
Violation Location	Violation Description
2nd floor unit unsanitary	Failure to keep premises clean, sanitary, and safe. (13-196- 620 A, 13-196-630)
Violation Code	Inspection Date
076064	2001-05-14
Violation Location	Violation Description

#### Fire Records

No Fire Information is available for the property in this example - but a simple search indicates that a fire did occur less than a block away at 441 W. 61<sup>st</sup> Street. The fire only caused minor damage – but does serve to illustrate the amount of detail available through CITy|NEWS.

Fire Records				
Address		Incident Date	Flame	
441 W 61 ST		2000-06-29	1	
Situation	Damage	Alarm	Incendiary	
Structure	\$ 100	1	Not Suspected	

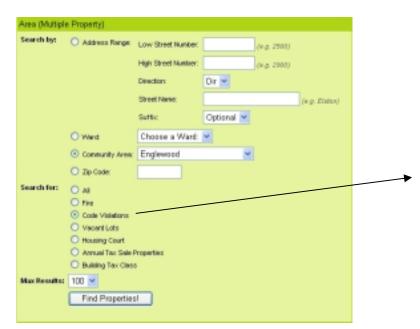
## Additional Data Available for a Single Property

The Water Arrears data is useful when purchasing a property to assure the current owners are current in their billing. Tax Sales Information is available for those properties that are currently listed in the Cook County Annual Tax Sale. The Fact that there is no Sales Information listed for this property indicates that it has not transferred owners recently. The Sales Information provides a useful tool to determine what the market rate for a home is in the area based on recent sales transactions. In addition, the Sales Information indirectly provides an indication on the affordability of an area – as it enables the user to determine how much a property has increased from its selling price from one owner to the next.

The information thus far has dealt with a specific property – which has proven a useful tool for community developers to intervene in properties that are either abandoned or poorly maintained, perhaps from an absentee landlord. Additional features of CITy|NEWS enable community developers and housing advocates to determine how their focus area compares to others in the city.

### Area

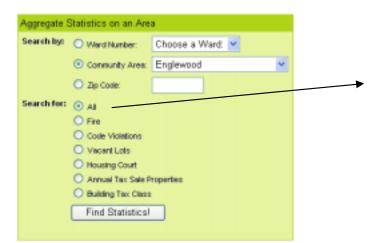
The Area search of CITy|NEWS enables the user to pull all listings from the Fire, Code Violations, Vacant Lots, Housing Court, Annual Tax Sale and Building Tax Class databases. For example, a tenant rights advocate is interested in finding all apartment units that have five or more serious code violations so that they can intervene and work with the tenants to improve their living conditions. CITy|NEWS will generate a list of these properties for the specified area, by either a street address range, zip code, ward or community area boundary.



Structure ID	Address	PIN
02016410015000	246-258 W 61 ST	2016410016
02016402026000	316 W 60 ST	2016402026
02016402011000	321 W 59 PL	2016402011
02021214026000	336-342 W MARQUETTE	2021214026
02016407015000	340 W 60 PL	2016407015
02021204015000	344-346 W 65 ST	2021204015
02016402018000	346 W 60 ST	2016402018
02021204014000	350 W 65 ST	2021204014
02016216003000	353 W 58 ST	2016216003
02016402001000	355 W 59 PL	2016402001
02016402002000	355 W 59 PL	2016402002
02016312017000	403 W 60 ST	2016312017
02016312033000	410 W 60 PL	2016312033
02016317034000	410 W 61 PL	2016317034
02016314030000	412 W 61 ST	2016314030
02016323011000	419 W 62 ST	2016323011
02016306019000	420 W 60 ST	2016306019
02016119024000	424 W 58 ST	2016119024
02016119024000	424 W 58 ST	2016119024
02016317011000	425 W 61 ST	2016317011
02016323025000	426 W ENGLEWOOD	2016323025
02016314009000	429 W 60 PL	2016314009
02016320016000	434 W 62 ST	2016320016
02021305008000	437-439 W MARQUETTE	2021305008
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02016314023000	438 W 61 ST	2016314023
02016323005000	443 W 62 ST	2016323005
02016320003000	449 W 61 PL	2016320003
02016317003000	449 W 61 ST	2016317003
02016317002000	453 W 61 ST	2016317002
02016326002000	453 W ENGLEWOOD	2016326002
02016326003000	453 W ENGLEWOOD	2016326003
02016313018000	501-505 W 60 PL	2016313018
02016311008000	519 W 60 ST	2016311008
02016325010000	523 W ENGLEWOOD	2016325010
02016322024000	526 W ENGLEWOOD	2016322024
02016313026000	530 W 61 ST	2016313026

# Aggregate Statistics

The Aggregate Statistics component builds off of the datasets available on CITy|NEWS. When aggregated to a specified area, such as a community boundary, these data serve as indicators to the health of an area. This is especially true when these data are compared from one community area to another.



Englewood Aggregates		
Parcels in Englewood	11,725	
Fires in Englewood	122	
Code Violations in Englewood	637	
Housing Court Visits in Englewood	110	
Annual Sales in Englewood	2,437	
Vacancies		
Vacancies in Englewood	98	
Boarded Up	40	
Open	54	
Vacant	1	
Partially Vacant	3	
Rehab	0	
Landuse		
Building with Tax Classes in Englewood	12,005	
0 Exempt	2027	
1 Vacant	2,658	
2 Residential	6,432	
3 Rental	335	
4 Not for Profit		
5 Commercial and Industrial	553	
6 Industrial Incentive		
7 Commercial Incentive		
8 Commercial and Industrial Incentive		
9 Multi Family Incentive		