KANE COUNTY BIKE & PEDESTRIAN PLANNING

KANE COUNTY

Demographics

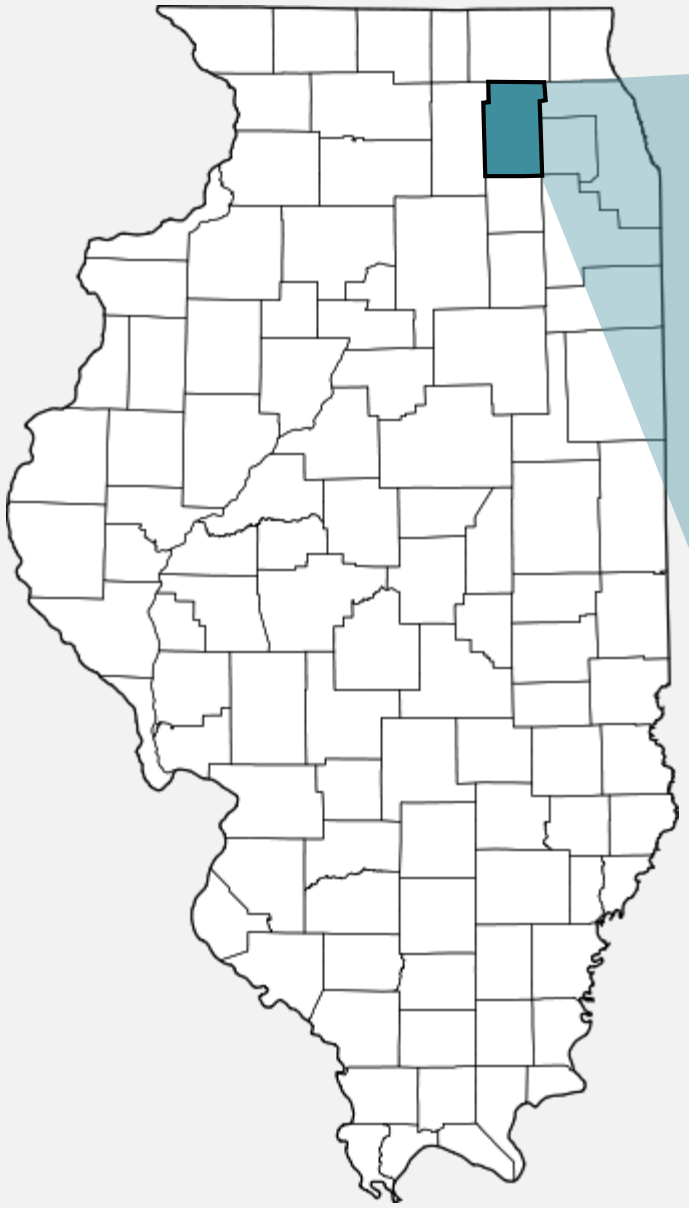
- Popoulation: 534,667
- Largest City: Aurora (200,965)

Transportation Network

- Over 400 miles of regional and local bike trails
- Access to Metra and Pace systems

Community Amenities

- Forest preserves and community parks
- Mix of rural/suburban/urban communities



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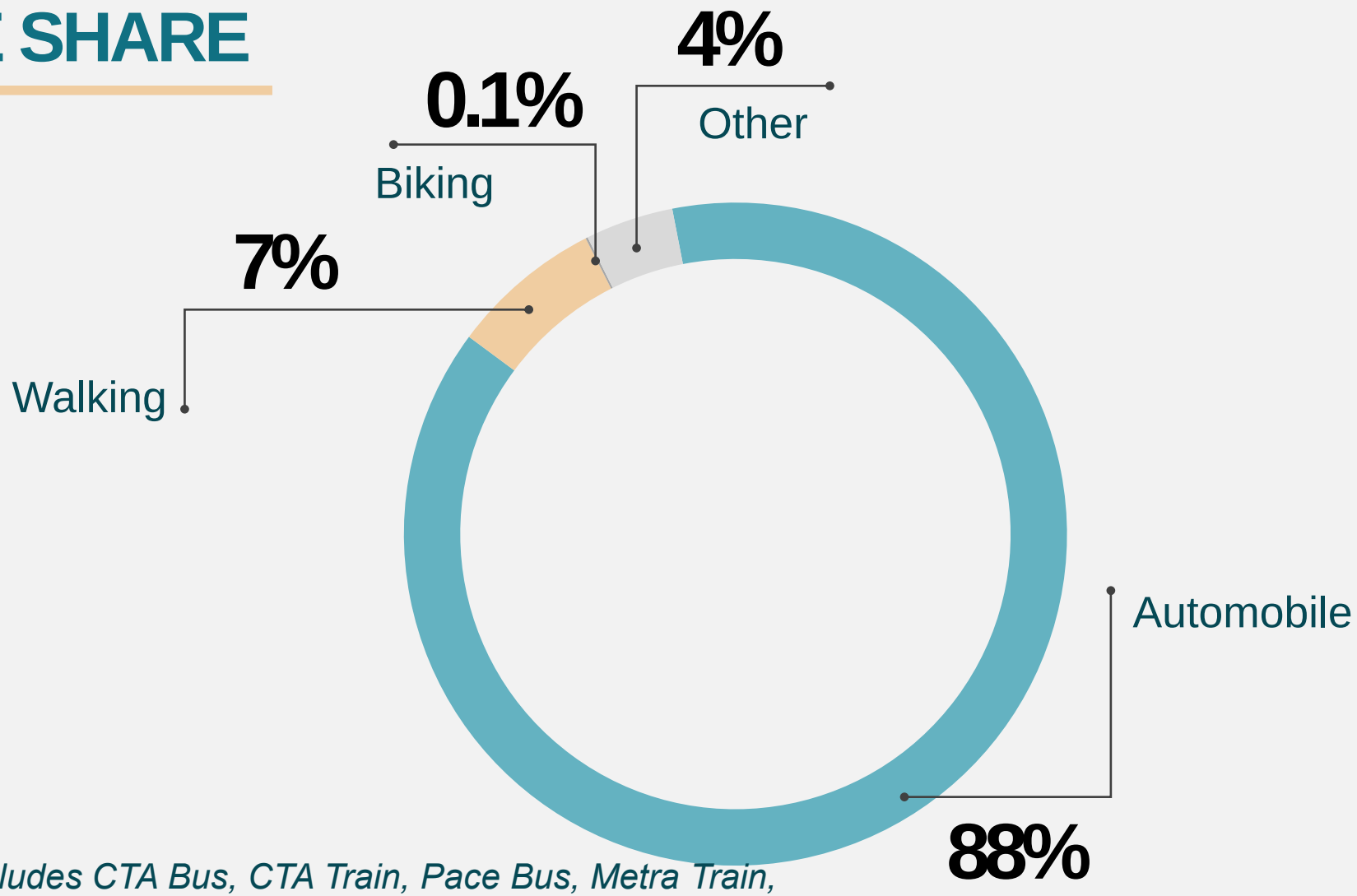


"Other" includes CTA Bus, CTA Train, Pace Bus, Metra Train, School Bus, and Taxi

Data provided by 2017 American Community Survey

PROGRAMMING

KKCOM Bike & Pedestrian Report/App

KKCOM staff has worked to create resources that will assist its municipalities and agencies in their bicycle and pedestrian planning efforts.

Bike Sharing System

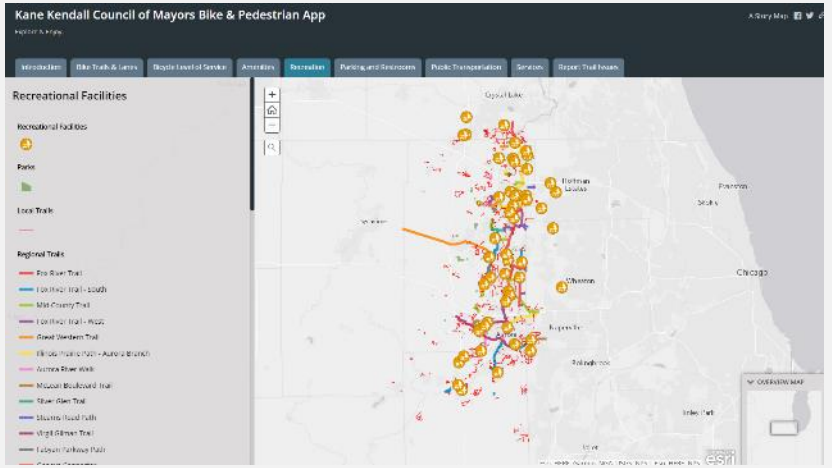
KDOT has taken great strides in creating a regional bike share system that not only includes municipaliities, private companies, and agencies within Kane County, but also in Kendall County. The system is planned to be launched next summer.

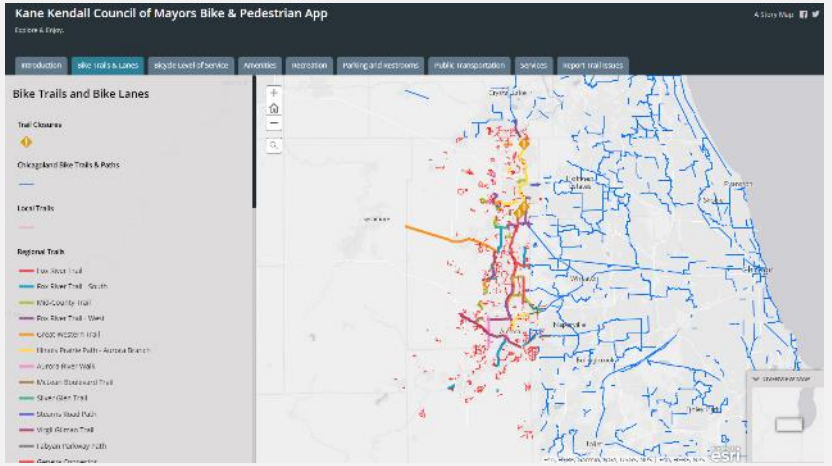
Kane County Cycling Club

KKCOM is partnering with the Kane County Health Department to create a rewards program for County students (K-8) that choose to bike for recreation and transportation. The program will help to promote lifelong fitness habits and instruction for safe biking techniques.

KKCOM BIKE & PEDESTRIAN APP

- Online app allows users to access maps of bicycle/pedestrian trails, transit, safety, and amenities
  - Bike trails/lanes
  - Bicycle Level of Service
  - Local amenities
  - Recreational facilities
  - Public transportation
  - Public services
- Allows users to become more knowledgeable and use system safely





Kane Kendall Council of Mayors Bike & Pedestrian App

Explore & Enjoy.

KKCOM BIKE & PED. APP
Bitly.com/kkcomapp

Introduction | Bike Trails & Lanes | Bicycle Level of Service | Amenities | Recreation | Parking and Restrooms | Public

Bike Trails and Bike Lanes

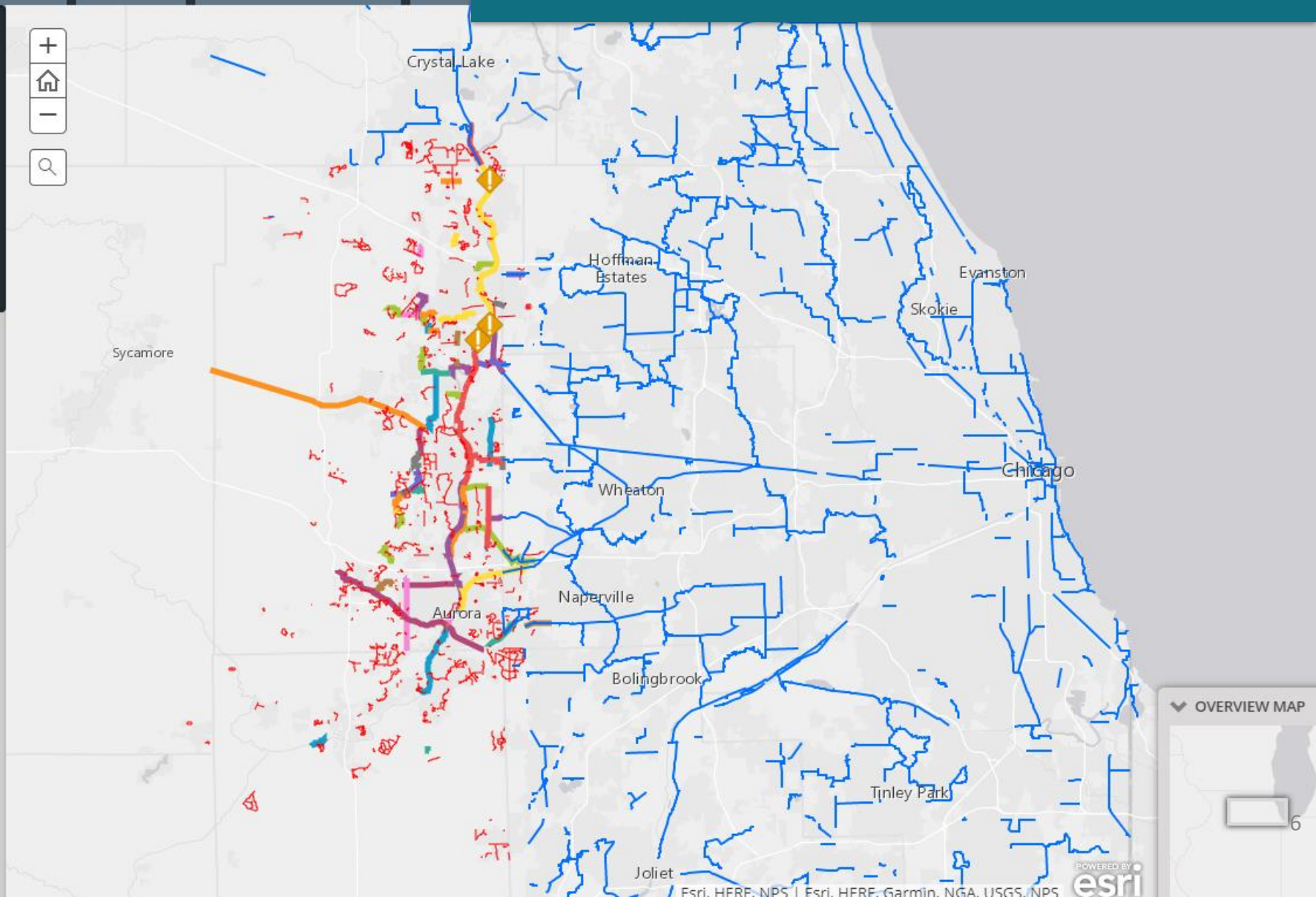
Trail Closures

Chicagoland Bike Trails & Paths

Local Trails

Regional Trails

- Fox River Trail
- Fox River Trail - South
- Mid-County Trail
- Fox River Trail - West
- Great Western Trail
- Illinois Prairie Path - Aurora Branch
- Aurora River Walk
- McLean Boulevard Trail
- Silver Glen Trail
- Stearns Road Path
- Virgil Gilman Trail
- Fabyan Parkway Path



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- Geneva Connector

Montgomery

Boulder Hill

Plano

Sandwich

Yorkvil

Millbrook

Beecher Community Center

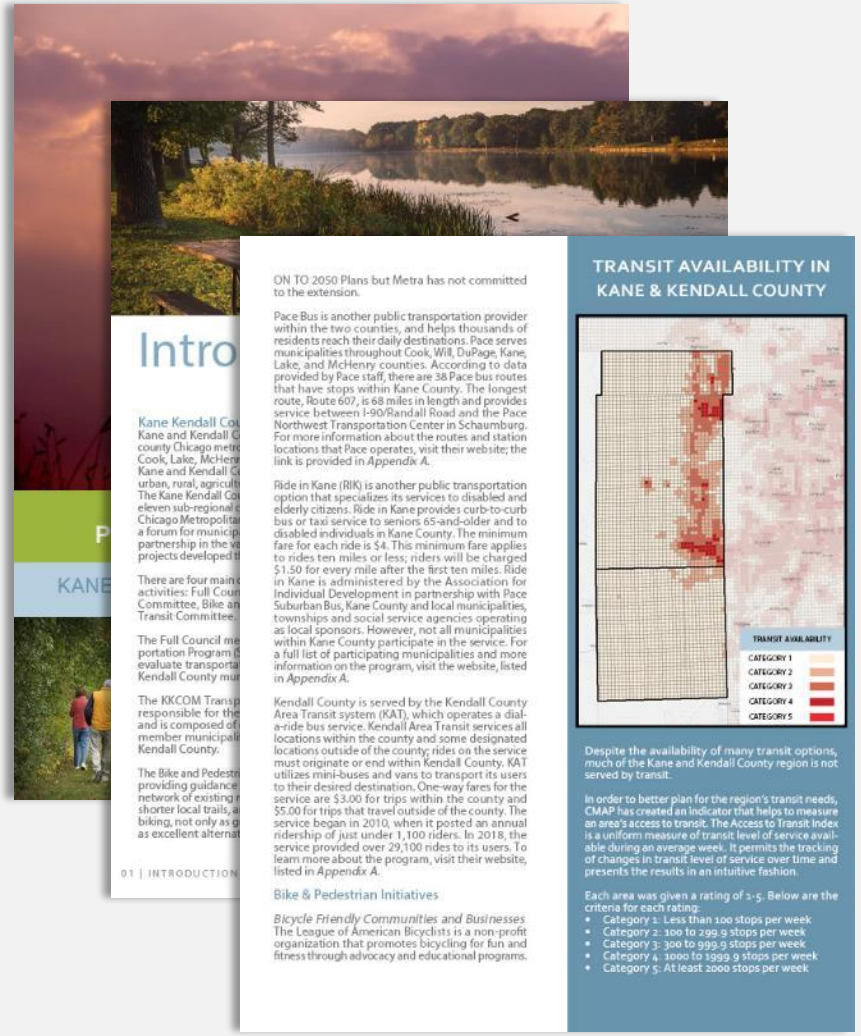
Name	Beecher Community Center
Description	Beecher Park is over 22 acres and is the location of several baseball fields and a playground. This park is the site of the annual Hometown Days Festival held Labor Day weekend.
Address	901 Game Farm Road, Yorkville, IL 60560
Municipality	Yorkville
Hours of	Varies

OVERVIEW MAP

Esri, HERE, Garmin, NGA, USGS, NPS | Esri, HERE, NPS

KKCOM BIKE & PEDESTRIAN REPORT

- Provides info on existing County's projects, programs, and infrastructure
- Offers strategies on how to advocate for more bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure
  - Improve multi-modal options at transit hubs
  - Reimagine downtown spaces to include more sustainable infrastructure
  - Eliminate all bicycle and pedestrian fatalities
  - Invest in rural bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure



KANE COUNTY BIKE SHARING PROGRAM

- Launching 12+ station bike share system by August 2020
- Docked stations
- Program initiatives
  - Alternative purchasing options
  - Helmet renting options
  - Bicycle safety classes and curriculum
  - Low-income discounts
  - Adaptive stations
- Opportunity for other micromobility options in future

KEY TIMELINE GOALS

KANE COUNTY BIKE SHARE

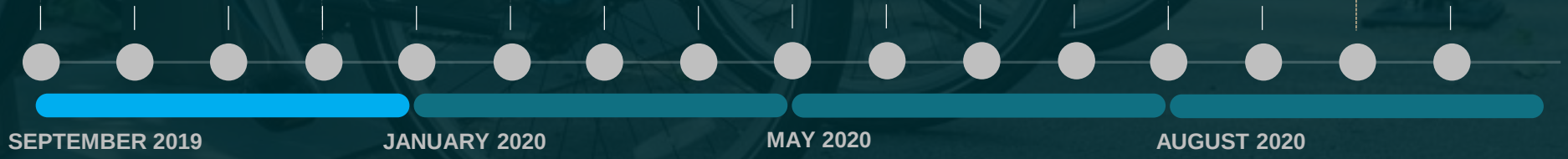
01 **RFP & SELECTION**
Release RFP and select firm.
SEPTEMBER 2019

02 **PUBLIC OUTREACH**
Discussion with local residents.
NOVEMBER 2019

03 **SYSTEM DESIGN**
Determining station locations and sponsors.
FEBRUARY 2020

LAUNCH
Start of operation.
AUGUST 2020

05 **OPERATION**
Continuation of services.
SEPTEMBER 2020



KANE COUNTY CYCLING CLUB

- New program designed to incentivize biking in younger age groups
- Students receive rewards
  - Kane County Cougars & Windy City Bulls tickets
  - Local restaurants, attractions, recreation donations
- Utilize donated bikes for students without resources to purchase one
  - Working Bikes (Chicago)
  - Local bike shops

INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

Aurora Transportation Center Improvements

Creation of a pedestrian- and bicycle-only bridge across the Fox River that will connect commuters using the ATC to an underutilized parking lot. Additional connections to nearby regional trails will now be possible as well.

Longmeadow Parkway Sidepath

As part of the expansive Longmeadow Parkway project, several sustainable transportation elements wil be implemented, including a sidepath, pedestrian crossing elements, and additional trail connections.

Fox River Trail under UP Railroad

A tunnel is being created to allow for bicyclists and pedestrians to cross a busy section of tracks. The tunnel will provide one of the last missing pieces in the Fox River Trail network.

AURORA TRANSPORTATION CENTER IMPROVEMENTS

- 930-foot pedestrian and bicycle bridge over Fox River
- Allows Metra commuters to easily access parking lot across River from ATC
  - Creating new parking lot across river
  - Provides 780+ new spots to commuters
- Separates bicycle and pedestrian traffic

LONGMEADOW PARKWAY SIDEPATH

- Four-lane bridge across Fox River
- Shared use path along entire corridor
- Provides improvements to FRT connections
- Pedestrian accommodations at every intersection

FOX RIVER TRAIL UNDER UP RAILROAD

- Tunnel under UPRR to allow for crossing of railroad
  - Flood in 2013 destroyed makeshift railroad crossing in place
  - No other crossing was possible
  - 600+ daily crossings per day on weekends
- Closed significant gap in regional trail network

THANK YOU

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