



Community Planning Program



Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

Local Technical Assistance Program

~~Application form~~ **Application form:** Community Planning program and Local Technical Assistance program

DEADLINE: Noon on Wednesday, June 26, 2013

This application form is online at www.rtachicago.com/applications. You may submit the form by email to applications@rtachicago.com.

Upon receipt of application, you will receive an e-mail verifying that your application has been received.

1. Name of Applicant: City of Zion

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2. Main Contact for Application (please include name, phone number and email): Sonolito Bronson, 847-746-4056, sonolitob@zion.il.us

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3. Type of Applicant (please check any that apply):

Local government

Multijurisdictional group* \longrightarrow Please list the members of the group (including government and nongovernmental organizations):

Nongovernmental organization* \longrightarrow Name of local government partner(s):

*Applications submitted by multijurisdictional groups and nongovernmental organizations must include a letter indicating support from each relevant local government. See the FAQs for more information. Nongovernmental applicants are strongly encouraged to contact CMAP or the RTA prior to submitting their application to discuss their project and the demonstration of local support.

4. Project Type (please check any that apply):

Please check all statements below that describe characteristics of your project. (This will help us determine whether your project is best handled by CMAP or RTA.)

- My project involves preparation of a plan.
- My project helps to implement a past plan.
- My project links land use, transportation, and housing.
- My project has direct relevance to public transit and supports the use of the existing transit system.
- My project is not directly related to transportation or land use, but implements GO TO 2040 in other ways.

5. Project Location:

Please provide a brief description of the location of your project. You may include a map if that helps to describe location, but this is not required. If your project helps to implement a past plan, please include a link to that plan. [The Project location is located approx. 30 north of the City of Chicago, IL and 30 miles south of Milwaukee, WI on Lake County, IL](#)



6. Project Description:

Please tell us what you would like to do in your community, and what assistance is needed. If you have more than one idea, please submit a separate application for each project. Please be specific, but also brief (less than two pages per project idea)—we simply want to have a basic understanding of what you want to do. CMAP and RTA staff will follow-up with you if we need any additional information to fully understand your proposed project.

(Please include any additional information that is relevant, preferably by providing links to online documents.)

[The City of Zion is interested in revamping our strategic plan for our community. Our last comprehensive plan was created in 1992.](#)

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[The City was able to successfully achieve several goals we had set to accomplish during this 20 year plan, such as annexing unincorporated property, establishing an industrial park to support our manufactures, and to identify the Sheridan Road corridor as the central business district of Zion. In the process, our focus had to shift to triage mode after losing five of the six major employers that were identified in the plan due to various reasons, along with an increase in the number of federally subsidized housing units.](#)

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[Having a current strategic plan in place will give the City of Zion a clear and strong set of objectives and attainable goals that will help our elected officials and staff provide the economical, social and recreational needs that our community expects. Thank you.](#)

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