



**Application form:  
Community Planning Program and  
Local Technical Assistance Program**

**DEADLINE: Noon on Thursday, June 26, 2014**

This application form is online at [www.rtachicago.com/applications](http://www.rtachicago.com/applications). You may submit the form by email to [applications@rtachicago.com](mailto:applications@rtachicago.com).

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

**1. Name of Applicant:**

Village of Lemont

**2. Main Contact for Application (please include name, phone number and email):**

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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):

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

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\*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):

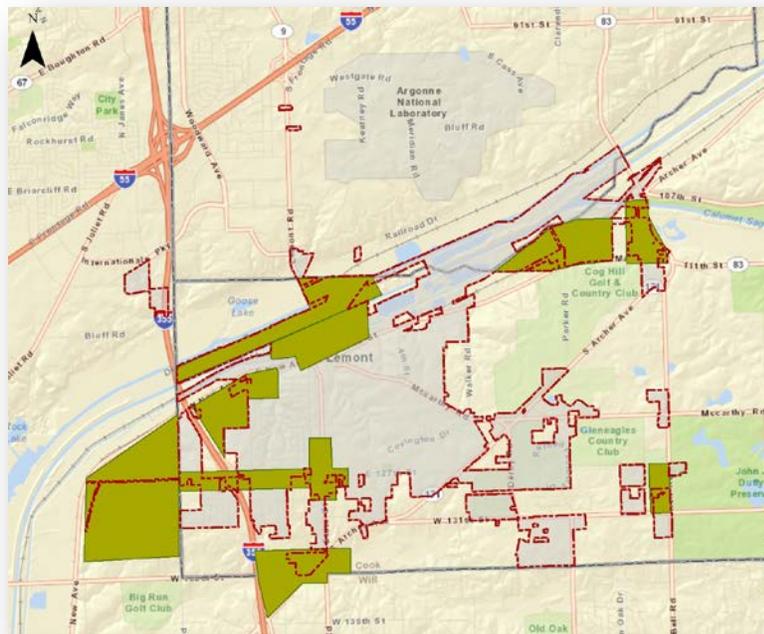
Please check all statements below that describe characteristics of your project. (This will help us determine whether your project is best handled by CMAP or RTA.)

- 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.

This project would benefit the entire community of Lemont, but would specifically benefit one or more of the Village of Lemont's economic activity centers, shown in green below.



#### 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.

## **Proposed Project: Sub-Area Plans, Lemont Economic Activity Areas**

The Village of Lemont is nearing the completion of its comprehensive plan update. Following two years of public engagement, the official public hearing on the full plan is scheduled for August, with final plan adoption in September. The plan has been written entirely by Village staff and while much research has been done to support the plan's recommendations, implementation of certain recommendations require additional dedicated efforts or technical expertise. One such recommendation is the development of sub-area plans for our economic activity areas. The draft comprehensive plan's Economic Prosperity element includes a list of target industries toward which the Village will focus its business attraction and retention efforts.<sup>1</sup> Also included in the element is a list of economic activity centers, defined as areas where there already are, or may in the future be, significant concentrations of local economic activity. Specifically, the draft plan recommends that master plans be created for the economic activity centers that are currently undeveloped or require redevelopment. In addition to land use and design considerations, the plans are recommended to include an assessment of infrastructure capacity and economic feasibility of the proposed land uses.

We believe sub-area plans for one or more of our economic activity centers would support GoTo 2040's recommendation to achieve greater livability through land use and housing. Lemont's proposed economic activity centers are intended to be employment centers within the Village, providing jobs near our local residents' housing. Additionally, these sub-area plans can help ensure that new development within the economic activity centers accommodates pedestrian traffic and links to our planned active transportation network, as detailed in our 2012 Lemont Active Transportation Plan.

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<sup>1</sup> See the draft Economic Prosperity Element at [www.lemont.il.us/lemont2030](http://www.lemont.il.us/lemont2030).