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Summary of Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Applications July 7, 2015

CMAP has established the <u>Local Technical Assistance (LTA)</u> program to direct resources to communities to pursue planning work that helps to implement GO TO 2040. In conjunction with the RTA's Community Planning program, CMAP held a call for LTA projects in spring and summer 2015. Applications were due on June 25, 2015.

The remainder of this document provides basic statistics about the applications received, describes the project selection process, and includes short summaries of each project submitted. CMAP's understanding of some of these projects may change through discussions with the applicants, so the descriptions and figures in this document should be considered preliminary.

Basic application statistics

In total, 72 applications were submitted by 61 different applicants to the LTA program. This includes 15 projects that are also eligible for funding through the Cook County Department of Public Health (CCDPH) Healthy Hot Spots initiative, which will be selecting several bicycle and pedestrian plans in suburban Cook County to receive funding. CMAP and CCDPH will both be considering applications of this type. An additional 17 applications were submitted to the RTA for consideration through their Community Planning program. Details of the projects being reviewed by the RTA are available on their website.

A variety of project types were submitted. Transportation-related projects were the most common, with 24 proposals submitted. These primarily dealt with bicycle and pedestrian planning, active transportation, and Complete Streets, and 15 of these are eligible for funding through CCDPH. Plans that dealt with a specific corridor or subarea were also common, as were comprehensive plans.

Project type or topic	Number of applications
Transportation plan	24
Subarea or corridor plan	17
Comprehensive plan	13
Zoning	6
Sustainability or other environmental focus	5
Housing	3
Other	4

Applicants were from across the region, from all Counties except Kendall. The chart below shows applications received by geography, using County and Council of Mayors boundaries. Projects were placed in multiple geographies if they crossed geographic boundaries.

Geography	Number of applications	Number of applicants
Chicago	9	8
North / Northwest Cook	7	6
West Cook	9	9
Southwest Cook	5	5
South Cook	16	14
DuPage	6	6
Kane	3	3
Kendall	0	0
Lake	8	6
McHenry	8	6
Will	13	7
No specific geography	1	1

This year, more applications were received from south Cook County than any other geography (16), followed closely by applications from Will County (13).

Comparisons to previous years

This is the fifth year that CMAP has offered the LTA program, so comparisons to the first four years of the program may be useful. The number of applications received was roughly similar to 2013, and lower than last year. This is the first year that CMAP is requiring a local match for funding, which possibly contributed to the decrease in applications.

	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Projects submitted	72	104	67	109	226
Applicants	61	77	58	88	140

Some applicants have had past experience with the LTA program. Of the 61 applicants, 24 have already submitted at least one successful application in past years; some of them have submitted follow-up projects, and others have submitted entirely new ideas. The remaining 37 are new to the LTA program. Some (17) have submitted before but have not yet been successful, and the others (20) are entirely new applicants, although some of these have participated in past multijurisdictional projects.

Project types this year showed some variation from past years. Only 6 zoning projects were submitted this year, a steep decline from last year, in which zoning was the most common project type. Transportation plans were the most common types of plans this year, although the

number reported below (24) includes 15 that are eligible to be funded through CCDPH instead. Subarea plans and comprehensive plans were also common, and after no housing plans were submitted last year, this year saw 3 housing plan proposals. Finally, nearly all of the projects submitted fit into one of the listed categories; only 4 were for other topics.

Project type or topic	2015	2014	2013	2012	Average, 2012-14
Subarea plan	17	18	14	20	17
Transportation plan	24	17	14	16	16
Comprehensive plan	13	14	12	22	16
Zoning	6	20	7	12	13
Sustainability or other environmental focus	5	11	6	19	12
Housing	3	0	2	6	3
Other	4	24	21	14	17

As shown in the table below, most geographies submitted slightly fewer applications than their 2012-2014 averages, reflecting the lower number of applications overall. Will County is the most notable exception to this trend, submitting 13 applications, much higher than their average of 7. This reflects specific outreach conducted by CMAP to municipalities in Will County to encourage applications this year, including a workshop hosted by the Will County Governmental League for this purpose.

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Southwest Cook	5	8	1	7	5
South Cook	16	23	7	18	16
DuPage	6	20	7	11	13
Kane	3	10	5	16	10
Kendall	0	4	4	4	4
Lake	8	8	10	14	11
McHenry	8	14	7	7	9
Will	13	13	4	4	7
Regional	1	2	1	9	4

Match requirements

This year marked the first time that a local match has been required of applicants. Match rates vary between 5% and 20%, depending on community need. Based on initial analysis, it appears

that 30 applications, or slightly fewer than half of the total, were determined to have "low" or "very low" need, meaning that they would pay the full match of 20%. Between 13 and 15 applications are classified in each of the remaining categories – "moderate", "high", and "very high" need – with match rates of 15%, 10%, and 5%, respectively. This distribution of match rates very closely conforms to CMAP's initial expectations, and demonstrates that the new match rates have not precluded higher-need communities from applying.

Selection criteria

Criteria for the LTA program include alignment of the project with the recommendations of GO TO 2040; local need for assistance; feasibility and ability to implement; collaboration with other groups, including neighboring governments and nongovernmental groups; input from relevant Counties and Councils of Government (COGs); and geographic balance. CMAP will continue to pay particular attention to the criteria involving feasibility and ability to implement, in line with the overall focus on directing resources to plans that will be implemented.

Review process and timeline

Applications for the LTA program were due on June 25, and will be presented to the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee for approval in October. In July and August, a summary of applications received will be shared with CMAP's working committees for discussion and comments. The same will occur with other stakeholder groups, including technical assistance providers, transit agencies, Counties, the City of Chicago, COGs, and others. Comments can also be sent directly to CMAP; please email Bob Dean at bdean@cmap.illinois.gov or call 312-386-8834 with direct comments on any projects. All stakeholders are requested to provide comments to CMAP by Friday, August 21.

Recommendations will be discussed with CMAP's Transportation committee on September 18. Recommendations will be brought to the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee at their meetings in October. The Local Coordinating Committee will discuss the recommendations immediately prior to the Board meeting on October 14, and also may have a special meeting to review the applications in more detail in mid-September (scheduling TBD).

Following the Board and MPO meetings, CMAP will work closely with the sponsors of selected projects to handle any needed administrative work, develop full project scopes and schedules, and get projects started. It is expected that newly selected projects will be initiated on a rolling basis beginning in late 2015 and early 2016.

Project descriptions

Projects are organized by geography. Please note that not all projects below are entirely consistent with the purpose of CMAP's local programs, and more information is needed to fully understand many of them; project proposals are described regardless of eligibility and completeness. Any suggested edits to these descriptions should be sent to Bob Dean at bdean@cmap.illinois.gov. Full applications are available on CMAP's LTA webpage.

City of Chicago

Chicago DOT

- Develop a local access plan to improve pedestrian and bicycle connections between the new Bloomingdale Trail, the Clybourn Metra Station, and the northern half of the North Branch Industrial Corridor, improving transportation access and equity.
- Develop a multi-modal **transportation plan** for the Riverdale Community Area, which includes the Altgeld Gardens, Eden Green, and Riverdale neighborhoods. Led by the Chicago Department of Transportation, the plan would utilize the City of Chicago Complete Streets Policy and Pedestrian First Modal Hierarchy to develop recommendations for improving access to existing transit, recreation, and job opportunities. Major physical and socio-demographic barriers currently exist in the community area that makes it difficult for residents to walk, bike, or utilize transit.

Chicago Infrastructure Trust

• Execute on a housing plan for the Auburn Gresham neighborhood with assistance from CMAP's **Homes for a Changing Region Toolkit**. The toolkit will help identify characteristics of future populations, support redevelopment analysis and evaluate future housing demand.

Edgebrook

 Create a downtown plan focused on economic development, pedestrian accessibility, and safety in conjunction with Everyday Edgebrook, a community-based business development and advocacy organization. Specific issues include traffic congestion, a lack of appropriate pedestrian infrastructure at key intersections, barriers created by atgrade freight and passenger railroad crossings, and recent retail development in neighboring areas.

Lincoln Park Chamber of Commerce

Complete a corridor study for the stretch of Lincoln Avenue between Diversey Parkway
(north) and Webster Avenue (south). This corridor is in transition due to the recent
closure of the Children's Memorial Hospital, once a hub for workers, street traffic, and
visitors. This corridor study will guide future expenditures of the local SSA, especially
as it relates to placemaking, public way infrastructure, and corridor branding. The

Chamber will use the plan to guide business attraction and marketing efforts for the corridor. Local neighborhood organizations and elected officials will use this plan to guide future projects that require public funding or public input along Lincoln Avenue.

Metropolitan Planning Council (also suburban Cook)

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maximize the potential of Chicago's rivers. MPC requests CMAP's assistance with
stakeholder outreach targeting neighborhoods and organizations CMAP already has
relationships with through previous LTA projects. MPC wishes to draw on CMAP's
experience working in these communities to foster better engagement with the potential
to advance previous LTA recommendations toward implementation. While the project is
primarily within the City of Chicago, outreach to other suburban Cook County
communities is also expected.

North Lawndale Community Coordinating Council

 NLCCC is seeking assistance to develop a Comprehensive Community Plan for North Lawndale. Several other planning efforts have affected parts of the community recently, but the last comprehensive planning effort for the community was performed over 60 years ago.

Quad Communities Development Corporation

• QDCD has identified retail development opportunities along 43rd and 47th Streets in the Bronzeville neighborhood of Chicago. QDCD plans to develop a **Framework Initiative** to stimulate economic growth, activate publicly owned parcels, and provide retail options for residents in underserved communities through a "pop-up retail tactic".

Safety and Transit Action Council

• Create a **corridor study** to address a number of safety and pedestrian access issues along E. 130th Street in Chicago. The proposed study would advance creation of a Complete Street in order to improve pedestrian safety and access to transportation options, schools and community facilities in the surrounding area.

North / Northwest Cook

Cook County Unincorporated Areas Plan

• Prepare a **detailed analysis of current infrastructure**, housing, land use, and commercial development in the unincorporated parcels in both Maine and Northfield Townships. This analysis seeks to identify opportunities for redevelopment and possible economic development within the unincorporated areas, where roughly 40,000 residents live, many of them moderate and low-income individuals.

Des Plaines

• Seeks to develop a new **comprehensive plan**. The previous comprehensive plan was adopted in 2007 and a variety of developments have since occurred, which were not addressed in that plan. Updating the comprehensive plan was a recommendation of the Economic Development Initiative Opportunities & Recommendations Report (2013) and would serve to consolidate various planning efforts that have occurred since adoption of the previous comprehensive plan.

Evanston

• Prepare a **manual of design guidelines** that will guide implementation of previous plans and ensure compliance with city code. The proposed manual will enforce quality site design and consistent building architecture during implementation of previous plans.

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Schaumburg

 Conduct a bicycle system assessment that provides a conditions assessment of the Village's 90 miles of existing bikeways and identifies gaps in the system. The end goal is to use the study is to create a database that can be used for making prioritized recommendations for improvements to the internal network, identify areas of improvements that will increase regional connectivity, and create a long-term management plan to facilitate safe and easy access. This project is also eligible for consideration by CCDPH.

Wheeling

• Implement the Southeast II (TIF District) Redevelopment Plan and update market studies to identify potential land uses and end users for the redevelopment area. The Southeast II TIF District is located at Milwaukee Avenue and Industrial Lane adjacent to the Chicago Executive Airport.

Wilmette

• Create a comprehensive **bicycle and pedestrian plan** for the Village of Wilmette that examines the village's existing system, programs, and policies and makes recommendations for improvements. This plan would be an update of a 1998 bike plan

that identified select routes with signage. *This project is also eligible for consideration by CCDPH.*

West Cook

Berkeley

Develop a bicycle and pedestrian plan that minimizes pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicle
conflicts, specifically by making recommendations for improvement around the Illinois
Prairie Path and facilitating the development of a complete sidewalk network within the
village. This project is also eligible for consideration by CCDPH.

Berwyn

• **Build upon a draft stormwater planning concept,** which was a 2014 project done in partnership with CMAP. The 2014 project identified areas in the City that have high occurrences of flooding, noted where green infrastructure projects would be most beneficial, and developed a methodology of scoring projects and project locations. This plan will move further into the planning process and implement these ideas while aligning with important elements of GO TO 2040.

Broadview

• The 25th Avenue corridor was identified as a candidate for regional bicycle travel in the West Central Municipal Conference Bicycle Plan (2012). Village of Broadview seeks assistance in identifying the type(s) of **bicycle infrastructure** that would be most appropriate and feasible for this corridor. *This project is also eligible for consideration by CCDPH*.

Brookfield, La Grange, and Western Springs

 Create of a coordinated set of active transportation plans for the three adjacent communities to increase active transportation options within the municipalities, connect the respective business districts with active transportation routes, and provide more active transportation options to access local recreational amenities including Brookfield Zoo and Salt Creek. This project is also eligible for consideration by CCDPH.

DuPage County Stormwater Management (also DuPage)

 Conduct a watershed plan for Lower Salt Creek, extending from DuPage County into western Cook County, complying with IEPA requirements for watershed plans but also addressing stormwater, land use implications, and similar topics. Funding for this plan is expected to come primarily from IEPA.

Franklin Park

• Create an **active transportation plan** that encompasses active transportation infrastructure, programming, and policy changes within Franklin Park. The project also

seeks to better connect the city to the regional active transportation network. *This project is also eligible for consideration by CCDPH.*

Melrose Park

Develop a comprehensive bicycle plan that builds off of recently completed and
planned developments of bike paths in the community, as well as corridor studies for
Lake Street and Broadway Avenue. The plan would seek to emphasize bicycling as a
means of commuting, a way to increase access to local businesses, foster community
connectivity, and improve public health. This project is also eligible for consideration by
CCDPH.

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communities is also expected.

Triton College

 Seeking to develop a Complete Streets corridor plan for Fifth Avenue, between River Road and North Avenue, in the communities of Melrose Park and River Grove. Triton College is currently difficult to access without a car, and the Complete Street plan seeks to make non-motorized transportation a more viable choice. This project is also eligible for consideration by CCDPH.

South Cook

Calumet City

Improve public infrastructure through the preparation of a comprehensive lighting
plan for residential, commercial, and industrial areas. Lighting programs will include
energy efficiency and sustainability. Improved street lighting is desired to prevent crime
and improve safety for drivers, pedestrians, and cyclists. This project is also eligible for
consideration by CCDPH.

Calumet Park

Develop a long range active transportation plan that will accommodate and sustain all
modes of transportation – pedestrian, bike, private vehicles, and public transportation –
by identifying and correcting design flaws and improvements to active transportation
infrastructure in the community's key areas. This project is also eligible for consideration by
CCDPH.

Chicago Heights

Develop a zoning code update that will facilitate implementation of the recently
adopted Chicago Heights Comprehensive Plan, created with CMAP. The plan
recommended updating the city's Zoning Ordinance, which was last done in 1998.
Chicago Heights is interested in evaluating whether city-wide updates are needed, or
just those focused on the downtown area.

Cook County Bureau of Economic Development

Cook County Bureau of Economic Development proposes to work with Civic
Consulting Alliance, RW Ventures, LLC and other partners to develop a sub-regional
comprehensive growth plan for the south Cook suburbs, and is seeking CMAP
assistance on this project in the areas of mapping and spatial analysis, outreach and
engagement of municipalities, knowledge and expertise on zoning, governance, and tax
policy.

Crestwood (also Southwest Cook)

• Create a comprehensive **active transportation plan** that creates more opportunities for the village's residents to walk and bike, improves traffic safety, reduces congestion, and creates a more healthy community. Specific challenges the plan seeks to address are a lack of local recreational opportunities, a lack of access to nearby natural areas and bike trails, an incomplete sidewalk network, and poor access to local schools. *This project is also eligible for consideration by CCDPH*.

Glenwood

• Develop a **Complete Streets plan** that improves pedestrian safety, creates more connections to community amenities and nearby natural areas, and expands and connects existing bike trails. The plan would recommend physical improvements in key areas such as schools, parks, and transit facilities, as well as supportive land use and transportation policies that help increase active transportation. *This project is also eligible for consideration by CCDPH*.

Harvey

• Develop a **comprehensive plan** that will guide investment, build on the community's assets, and respond effectively to the fiscal challenges facing local governments. The proposed plan would contain a clear vision for the future of Harvey with a commitment to stabilization and revitalization.

Lynwood

• Develop a **Complete Streets plan/policy** to identify locations where sidewalks and trails should be constructed to create a connected network of pedestrian infrastructure. Developing a Complete Streets policy is one of the stated goals of the Lynwood Comprehensive Plan (2014). *This project is also eligible for consideration by CCDPH*.

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Midlothian

 Midlothian seeks assistance with a corridor plan for 147th Street (IL 83), focusing on stormwater management and placemaking. A 2011 Active Transportation Plan called for 147th Street to be a Complete Street, and a 2013 Green Infrastructure Plan suggests green infrastructure improvements around the train station on the street.

Richton Park

- Seeking assistance with an economic development plan for a better understanding of
 where the Village should focus its efforts for economic development. Aspects of the
 desired plan include a market feasibility study of development opportunities,
 recommendations for business attraction/retention, economic development strategies,
 and financing and implementation strategies. The most recent market data for Richton
 Park was completed prior to the 2008 economic downturn.
- Develop a **stormwater management plan** to coincide with the recently completed (2014) Comprehensive Plan for Richton Park. There is a history of major flooding in the Village, and previous grants have addressed some flooding issues but not in all areas of the Village. The plan should focus in the growth area near I-57, with a recently established industrial park and approval of two new residential communities. Large commercial projects (a new Wal-Mart Supercenter has been approved immediately west of I-57) will create additional development interest in the area, leading to increased traffic. The Village needs a comprehensive stormwater management plan to assess and determine stormwater runoff needs and proper infrastructure placement.

Sauk Village

Develop a comprehensive plan covering land use, housing, population, infrastructure
and municipal services in order to guide growth and economic development. This
proposed plan would allow the village to identify assets and prepare for economic
challenges in order to ensure future livability and sustainability.

South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association (SSMMA)

• Requests guidance using the **Homes for a Changing Region Toolkit** to develop a housing policy plan for four south suburban municipalities. These communities wish to examine changes in their housing markets since the original toolkit, acquire new policy recommendations and better understand housing supply and demand.

Thornton

 Requests assistance creating a comprehensive plan that will guide future decisions and provide a long term vision for the village. Specific long term planning objectives relate to transit oriented development and a SWOT analysis (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats) to determine community values.

University Park (also Will)

 Develop an implementation plan that coordinates previously adopted plans in the Village to define strategic goals, measureable performance standards, and implementation methods, using the principles of GO TO 2040 as a guideline. Specific plans that need to be aligned include the University Park Hazard Mitigation Plan (2014) and the 2002 TOD Plan. This implementation plan will enable the Village to establish priorities and develop implementation guidelines with specific performance measures for planning, economic development, capital projects and regional transit.

Southwest Cook

Crestwood (also South Cook)

• Create a comprehensive **active transportation plan** that creates more opportunities for the village's residents to walk and bike, improves traffic safety, reduces congestion, and creates a more healthy community. Specific challenges the plan seeks to address are a lack of local recreational opportunities, a lack of access to nearby natural areas and bike trails, an incomplete sidewalk network, and poor access to local schools. *This project is also eligible for consideration by CCDPH*.

Justice

• Develop a **corridor plan** for Archer Road between 88th Avenue and 71st Street, including planning for new bus service, capital improvement programming, and business attraction/retention.

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primarily within the City of Chicago, outreach to other suburban Cook County communities is also expected.

Palos Park

• In partnership with the Cook County Forest Preserve District, create a bicycle and pedestrian **trail plan** that examines Palos Park's connections and linkages to trails within the nearby Forest Preserves. The plan would also seek to create a network of trails that connect residents to local businesses and institutions and create a public outreach and education plan for active transportation. *This project is also eligible for consideration by CCDPH*.

Willow Springs

 Develop a bicycle and pedestrian plan that emphasizes a complete streets approach, improves the safety conditions of the bicycle and pedestrian network, identifies opportunities to create connections between existing bike trails within the forest preserves and in the village, and increases access to local public transportation options. This project is also eligible for consideration by CCDPH.

DuPage County

Clarendon Hills

• Develop a subarea plan which addresses the South Side area of the Village and builds upon the Village's recent Water System Capacity Analysis for the South Side Water Supply Area (2015). This subarea plan will align with the Village's community vision as well as GO TO 2040, and will focus on challenges with disconnection from the Village, incomplete infrastructure systems, and the fact that many sites in this location are unincorporated. This plan will agree upon recommendations for future annexation and preparation of infrastructure and services needed to support these properties in the future.

DuPage County Stormwater Management (also west Cook)

• Conduct a watershed plan for Lower Salt Creek, extending from DuPage County into western Cook County, complying with IEPA requirements for watershed plans but also addressing stormwater, land use implications, and similar topics. Funding for this plan is expected to come primarily from IEPA.

Glen Ellyn

Requests assistance developing an updated comprehensive plan reflecting current
Village conditions and addressing issues relating to its employment base, storm water
management and the impact of annexation on municipal services. The proposed plan
would fill planning gaps in the areas of open space and recreation, human and
workforce development and village wide transportation.

Impact DuPage

 Seeking assistance to create and implement an Affordable Housing Action Plan for DuPage County, which will align with the DuPage County Consolidated Plan (2015). Partners include DuPage Housing Authority, the Continuum of Care, the DuPage Housing Action Council, DuPage Homeownership Center, the DuPage County Community Development Department, and HOPE Fair Housing.

Lisle

 Create a downtown parking plan evaluating demand, supply and management strategies. Lisle's downtown has experienced a number of changes since the last parking evaluation in 2004 and the village seeks assistance developing a plan responding to recent business recruitment efforts and an increasing number of downtown events.

Wayne (also Kane)

Prepare a new zoning ordinance for the Village. The Village seeks to implement a 2005
Comprehensive Plan by adopting amendments to the existing zoning ordinance and by
approving a new Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance.

Kane County

Batavia

• Develop a **corridor redevelopment plan** along the Fox River. This plan will address several strategic goals outlined by Batavia's City Council and Park District Board and will help to implement the recommendations of numerous plans prepared over the past decade. This redevelopment plan will focus on the riverbanks and pedestrian/bicycle connections from the North Batavia Dam southward to Clark Island Park. It will address poor conditions including invasive plant species, soil erosion, decaying rip-rap, and steep denuded banks which are characteristic of this stretch.

Hampshire

• Update the **comprehensive plan** to reflect Hampshire's new boundary agreements with four neighboring communities and remove old sections of the plan.

Wayne (also DuPage)

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approving a new Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance.

Kendall County

N/A

Lake County

Beach Park

• Create a new **comprehensive plan**. The previous comprehensive plan was published in 2008. The Village seeks to have its comprehensive plan be complementary to its neighbors' plans.

Fox Lake (also McHenry)

 Develop a Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) to create a single document for land use ordinances (incl. zoning, subdivision, and sign regulations), and the recommendations from Comprehensive Development Plan, CMAP's Greenways and Bikeways Plan, RTA Station Area Plan, and GO TO 2040 to be merged into a single unified document. This will create a more efficient and user-friendly document, the goals being to provide a uniform set of consistent definitions, clear direction of procedures, and a coordinated system for development review, processing, and enforcement.

Lake Zurich

Update the comprehensive plan to include sections on development trends, sub area
analysis, land use, transportation, open space and infrastructure. The Village requests
assistance with public outreach and desires integration of the updated comprehensive
plan into CMAP's Land Use Planning Study for the proposed Route 53 expansion
project in Lake County.

Lakemoor (also McHenry)

- Establish a new **subdivision ordinance** to promote the Village's new vision and development philosophy from the 2013 Comprehensive Plan as well as to align with their Complete Streets policy. Specific goals are to promote conservation and traditional neighborhood design standards and to apply best practices in Village street design.
- Prepare a master plan for the Village's Town Center area, and establish a policy plan to stop stagnant growth trends and piecemeal development. The central development has potential to drive commercial growth, housing, events, recreation, and resident interaction, but currently lacks vision and needs to be revitalized in a sustainable manner. Residents have conveyed a desire for vacant and underutilized commercial uses to be transformed into an active and walkable center. The Village seeks assistance to assist in the development of design guidelines that would address key elements, including block face design, site design, building design, building height, and streetscape design.
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plan should include a classification of thoroughfares, predict and project traffic growth, identify future roadway improvement needs, provide recommended and best practice engineering and roadway standards, intersection design, access control, speed control, and implementation strategies.

McHenry County Planning and Development (also McHenry)

• Create a **Fox River corridor study** in McHenry and Lake Counties building on CMAP's Fox River plan being developed for Algonquin and Carpentersville. The proposed plan would extend this planning effort northward with a similar focus on increasing access to the river, improving water quality and enhancing downtown areas.

Waukegan

• Conduct a **subarea plan** for a portion of Downtown Waukegan advancing implementation of the 2003 Downtown and Lakefront Master Plan. The city would like to better connect downtown to the lakefront via this area which bisected by the Amstutz Expressway and rail lines, and contains the Waukegan Metra station, a Pace bus depot, and several parking lots. These features present barriers between the lakefront and Downtown, and the previous plan recommended a solution that city considers currently unfeasible.

McHenry County

Crystal Lake

• Develop a **bicycle and pedestrian plan** focusing on providing a link between the Prairie Path and the Pingree Road Metra Station, with Congress Parkway as the most likely connecting link.

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Harvard

• Prepare an **update of development codes** to implement the City's comprehensive plan. The ordinance update should implement the plan's intent to address quality of life issues and reverse trends of declining property values and lack of business investment.

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Richmond

Update the only comprehensive plan in the village's history to direct a desired
development vision for the future and contain actions to accomplish this vision. The
updated plan would guide decision making in the areas of land use, transportation,
infrastructure and capital improvements with emphasis on maintaining the village's
rural character.

Will County

Frankfort

• Update Village **comprehensive plan**, which was adopted in 2004. Since the last comprehensive plan, the village has grown significantly in both population and area. Many of the other applications submitted by Frankfort are also mentioned as potential elements of the comprehensive plan.

- Update the Frankfort **bike trail master plan**, last completed in 2005, to help prioritize and fund future improvements for cyclists and pedestrians. It is specifically meant to improve local access to the Old Plank Road Trail, among other goals.
- Update the Historic District revitalization strategies to examine more efficient methods for hosting popular Frankfort events and increase the number of downtown businesses while maintaining the area's historic character.
- Prepare a **land use** plan on a 577 acre site located west of I-57 on Stuenkel Road. IDOT recently completed a new interchange at the intersection of I-57 and Stuenkel Road which has dramatically changed the economic, transportation, and infrastructure needs of the site. The land use plan should focus on improvement of existing roadways, development of zoning codes for residential, industrial, and commercial sites, identification of potential economic opportunities or environmental sites of concern, and installation of necessary traffic control devices.
- Create a **corridor plan** for U.S. Route 30 between 80th Avenue and Harlem Avenue (Route 43) on the eastern border of Frankfort. Main concerns include aesthetic appearance, lack of zoning continuity and lack of infrastructure planning. The long term plan will require a comprehensive study of land-uses, utility planning, and infrastructure assessment. Goal is to establish an achievable, long-term plan for Route 30 in Frankfort which provides a sense of consistency, with an aesthetically appealing and cohesive business district.
- Update a **land use plan** for a 240 acre site at the northeast corner of Route 30 and Route 45. This site, at the corner of two regional arterial corridors, has potential to serve as an opportunity for residential and commercial development near the center of the community. Specific updates to the land use plan include use designations, infrastructure requirements, environmental concerns, and development of bike and pedestrian pathways.

Homer Glen

• The Village of Homer Glen is one of the youngest municipalities in Illinois (incorporated 2001) and is experiencing a strong growth phase. They are seeking LTA assistance to **provide general training to their Plan Commission.** This training would help support the Director's efforts to provide much needed professional training to the Plan Commission and would be beneficial in implementing the GO TO 2040 Comprehensive Plan.

New Lenox

- Seeking assistance to develop a **bicycle and pedestrian plan**, specifically focusing on older residential neighborhoods that currently lack sidewalks, as well as improving access to commercial areas, the Metra station, and the Old Plank Road Trail.
- Update the Village's **comprehensive plan** to reflect current and projected demographic, housing, economic, transportation and environmental conditions. The plan update will take into account significant transportation and employment changes that have occurred in New Lenox since 2004, as well as analyze current trends, identify needs and craft polices for implementation.

Monee

Create a new comprehensive plan for the village that emphasizes increased access to
public transportation, especially Metra Electric service at University Park, two miles
north of the city. Addressing active transportation safety and access throughout the
village, outlining future growth, targets for commercial and retail development, and
quality of life is also desired.

Romeoville

• Adopt a new **comprehensive land use plan** that will replace an outdated 2001 Land Use Plan and include a strong focus on implementation. This plan would direct future growth and development across a number of critical issues and areas in Romeoville such as development and housing.

University Park (also South Cook)

• Develop an **implementation plan** that coordinates previously adopted plans in the Village to define strategic goals, measureable performance standards, and implementation methods, using the principles of GO TO 2040 as a guideline. Specific plans that need to be aligned include the University Park Hazard Mitigation Plan (2014) and the 2002 TOD Plan. This implementation plan will enable the Village to establish priorities and develop implementation guidelines with specific performance measures for planning, economic development, capital projects and regional transit.

Wilmington

 Produce a corridor study on the Route 53 and Route 102 Gateway & Business Corridor approaching Wilmington's central business district. The proposed study would address land use and zoning and include implementation of recommendations from the Route 53 Corridor Plan which focused on tourism and economic development.

Regional

Metropolitan Mayors Caucus

Metropolitan Mayors Caucus and Chicago Infrastructure Trust seek to support regional
fleet vehicle conversions to Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) by investing in fueling
infrastructure. They request CMAP assistance in producing a strategic regional CNG
infrastructure plan and identifying placement of fueling infrastructure that will lead to
best outcomes for the region.

RTA Community Planning Program Applicants

The following projects will be reviewed by the RTA, rather than CMAP, due to their focus on public transit:

Calumet Park	TOD Plan
Chicago Transit Authority	79th Street Slow Zone Improvements
Chicago Transit Authority	Belmont Slow Zone Improvements
Chicago Transit Authority	Chicago Avenue Slow Zone Improvements
Des Plaines	TOD Developer Panel
DuPage County DOT	Last Mile Transit Planning Study
Evanston	Fixed Bus Stop Plan
Evanston	Senior Rideshare Program
Jefferson Park	TOD Plan
Justice	79th Street Corridor Study
Morton Grove	Developer Panel
Morton Grove	Zoning Code Update
Olympia Fields	TOD Zoning Code
Pace	Harlem Ave Corridor Land Use / Transit
Pace	S Halsted Corridor Land Use / Transit
Woodridge	Local Transit Analysis Plan
Montgomery	TOD Zoning Code