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: Kendall County

2. Main Contact for Application (please include name, phone number and email):
   Jeff Wilkins, Kendall County Administrator, 630-553-4142, jwilkins@co.kendall.il.us

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

   ___X_ Multijurisdictional group* 
   Please list the members of the group (including government and nongovernmental organizations):
   County and all taxing units within county (villages, cities, school districts, library districts, park districts, fire districts and forest preserve district

   _____ Nongovernmental organization* 
   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.)

_X__ My project involves preparation of a plan.
_X__ My project helps to implement a past plan.
_X__ 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.
_X__ 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.
Plan would apply countywide, however, plan is not specific on one area

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.)

“Countywide Pay As We Grow Plan”: The proposed plan would comprehensively analyze the annual rate of residential growth that can be absorbed and served effectively by each taxing unit within Kendall County (County, schools, villages/cities, library districts, park districts, forest preserve district, fire districts, sanitary sewer districts, townships, etc) without requiring additional property tax referendums. Further, the annual rate of absorbable residential growth may differ as commercial growth occurs within each taxing unit.

The implementation of the proposed “Countywide Pay As We Grow Plan” would fulfill GO TO 2040 recommendations as a comprehensive sustainability plan incorporating goals for livable communities, education and efficient governance.

With the creation of numerous taxing units within the State of Illinois, multi-jurisdictional planning at the countywide level is onerous. For example, a school district may contain four or five municipalities making land use and growth decisions that may necessitate school construction and unpopular property tax referendums.

Further, many studies analyze the cost of a specific construction project or the impact of a specific residential development project for a specific taxing unit. Typically, taxing units create capital facility plans based on “total build-out of residential growth”. However, plans typically do not analyze the annual rate of absorption.
“Land Cash” studies and ordinances adopted by most villages estimate the number of school children that are produced by specific residential housing types. These studies are one example of public records that can be used in this planning process.

Previously completed studies by CMAP could be helpful resources to initiate the proposed “Countywide Pay As We Grow Plan”. Such studies may include “cost of residential growth analysis” or “transit oriented development plans”.