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:
   Village of Oswego

2. Main Contact for Application (please include name, phone number and email):
   Tia Brooks
   630-551-2392
   Tbrooks@oswegoil.org

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

   ____ Local government
   ____ Multijurisdictional group*  
   Please list the members of the group (including government and nongovernmental organizations):
   The Village of Oswego, The Village of Montgomery, The United City of Yorkville
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   ____ 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.)

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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 location of the project includes; the Village of Oswego and The City of Yorkville (both located in Kendall County) and the Village of Montgomery (located in both Kendall and Kane County).

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 Village of Oswego, the Village of Montgomery, and the City of Yorkville would like to propose a multi-community study to specifically research and identify potential opportunities that could be implemented to increase our financial and operational efficiencies through working together. We feel that there is potential to benefit from service sharing, joint purchasing, joint bidding and other yet unexplored areas between our three communities.

This type of study would directly address the GO TO 2040 Plan’s intent of efficient government, as well as fostering regional cooperation. There are many opportunities to coordinate or consolidate services within our municipalities and perform them on a joint basis. This project would determine the types of services that would best meet our needs and be most efficient. For example, joint purchasing, bidding or service sharing could possibly result in lower unit costs and less individual coordination for many of those tasks we perform individually (road resurfacing, sidewalk repairs, tree trimming, street sweeping, payroll processing, code enforcement inspections, building inspections, etc.). An objective study of the issue by CMAP would be instrumental in assisting us with identifying the possibilities.

The Village of Oswego, the Village of Montgomery, and the City of Yorkville have a common goal of efficient and cost effective governance. We share a common goal and desire to be leaders in the service sharing trend. Since we fall within a multi-county area, it would be advantageous to the study, providing valuable information and solutions for similar communities in the future.
June 24th, 2013

Local Technical Assistance Program
Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning
233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 800
Chicago, IL 60606

The Village of Oswego is committed to a working partnership in regards to a potential study to determine the potential for shared service and enhanced regional cooperation between the Village of Montgomery and the City of Yorkville. The Village of Oswego believes local governments should explore ways to better coordinate services, and these decisions should be made collaboratively and responsibly.

The Village understands that undertaking such a study requires a strong commitment of Village resources and a network of professional individuals. We want to be the leader in regional cooperation, improving our communities and serve as a model of effective practices. We, therefore, commit ourselves and the government we represent to building and strengthening that network through seeking CMAP's assistance in identifying areas to increase operational collaboration.

The Village of Oswego, Montgomery, and the City of Yorkville are excited about this emerging partnership and its many possibilities. Thank you for your review of our attached application. We look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Steve Jones
Village Administrator
Village of Oswego
100 Parkers Mill
Oswego, IL 60543
June 20, 2013

Local Technical Assistance Program
Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning
233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 800
Chicago, IL 60606

The United City of Yorkville is committed to a working partnership with the Villages of Montgomery and Oswego in regards to a potential shared services program. We believe local governments should explore ways to coordinate or in some cases consolidate services, and these decisions should be made collaboratively and responsibly. In fact, Yorkville and Oswego have had a recent history of discussing shared building services, and we jointly bid a solid waste collection program last year. Neither of those concepts was implemented, which is further evidence for our desire for assistance from CMAP.

We understand that a shared service project requires a strong commitment of City resources and a network of professional individuals. We want to be the leader in service sharing, improving our communities and serve as a model of effective practices. Therefore, we commit ourselves to building and strengthening that network, and to participating in the shared services project with Oswego and Montgomery.

We are very excited about this emerging partnership and its many possibilities. Thank you for your review of our attached application. We look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Gary J. Filinski
Mayor
The Village of Montgomery is committed to a working partnership in regards to a potential study to determine the potential for shared services and enhanced regional cooperation with the Village of Oswego and the City of Yorkville. We believe local governments should explore ways to better coordinate services, and these decisions should be made collaboratively and responsibly.

The Village of Montgomery understands that undertaking such a study requires a strong commitment of Village resources and a network of professional individuals. We want to be the leader in regional cooperation, improving our communities and serving as a model of effective practices. We, therefore, commit ourselves and the local governments we represent to building and strengthening that network through seeking CMAP's assistance in identifying areas to increase operational collaboration.

The Village of Montgomery, the Village of Oswego and the City of Yorkville are excited about this emerging partnership and its many possibilities. Thank you for your review of our attached application. We look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Matt Brolley
Village President