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:
   West Central Municipal Conference

2. Main Contact for Application (please include name, phone number and email):
   Tammy Wierciak, (708) 453-9100 ext 252, twierciak@westcook.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):
   Bellwood, Broadview, Countryside, Franklin Park, Hodgkins, La Grange, La Grange Park, Maywood, McCook, Melrose Park, Schiller Park

   _____ Nongovernmental organization*  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.)

X My project involves preparation of a plan.
X 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 25th Avenue corridor runs the entire length of the WCMC from Rosemont on the north to McCook
on the south. The corridor will connect to many of the regionally planned and existing trails. It will link
to the existing Prairie Path and Salt Creek Trail and will connect to the planned Centennial Trail. The 25th
Avenue corridor is the top ranked corridor for implementation in the WCMC Regional Bicycle Plan,
which can be found at:

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 WCMC would request assistance in studying the 25th Avenue corridor to determine the best linkage
to regional trails (both existing and planned), best alignment for bicycling along the corridor, how to
address obstacles along the corridor, utilize complete street policies and what regional signage should
be installed.
June 6, 2013
Ms. Tammy Wierciak
Planning Coordinator
West Central Municipal Conference
2000 5th Avenue, Building N
River Grove, IL 60171

Dear Ms. Wierciak:

The Village of Bellwood would like to express our support of the West Central Municipal Conference’s 25th Avenue Corridor Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Grant. The purpose of the grant application is to study the 25th Avenue Corridor for needed bicycle and pedestrian improvements. We support improvements along this corridor that would enhance bicycle and pedestrian access and safety. It is the village’s understanding that it is not making a financial commitment at this time towards the study or construction of any potential project.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Frank A. Pasquale, Mayor
Village of Bellwood
June 24, 2013

Ms. Tammy Wierciak
Planning Coordinator
West Central Municipal Conference
2000 5th Avenue, Building N
River Grove, IL 60171

Dear Ms. Wierciak:

The Village of Broadview would like to express our support of the West Central Municipal Conference’s 25th Avenue Corridor Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Grant. The purpose of the grant application is to study the 25th Avenue Corridor for needed bicycle and pedestrian improvements. Village of Broadview supports improvements along this corridor that would enhance bicycle and pedestrian access and safety. It is the village’s understanding that it is not making a financial commitment at this time towards the study or construction of any potential project.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

VILLAGE OF BROADVIEW

[Signature]
Sherman C. Jones
Village President
Hi Tammy,

The City of Countryside supports the 25th Avenue Corridor LTA Grant application.

Thanks,
Sharon

Sharon L. Peterson, ICMA-CM
Assistant City Administrator
City of Countryside
708-485-2595 direct
708-354-9445 fax

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From: Tammy Wierciak [mailto:twierciak@westcook.org]
Sent: Tuesday, June 25, 2013 1:41 PM
To: Sharon Peterson
Subject: RE: Bike Planning

Can you please send me an email stating Countryside supports the 25th Avenue Corridor LTA Grant application? I am submitting my application tomorrow and am still missing several support letters

Thanks

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From: Sharon Peterson [mailto:SPeterson@countryside-il.org]
Sent: Thursday, May 30, 2013 1:37 PM
To: Tammy Wierciak
Cc: Ed Krzeminski; Gail Paul; Bryan Swanson
Subject: RE: Bike Planning

Hi Tammy,
June 10, 2013

Ms. Tammy Wierciak
Planning Coordinator
West Central Municipal Conference
2000 5th Avenue, Building N
River Grove, IL 60171

Dear Ms. Wierciak:

As part of a regional planning initiative, the Village of La Grange supports the West Central Municipal Conference’s 25th Avenue Corridor Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Grant application.

The purpose of the grant application is to study the 25th Avenue Corridor for needed bicycle and pedestrian improvements which focus on access and safety.

The Village understands that it is not making a financial commitment at this time towards the study or construction of any potential project.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

VILLAGE OF LA GRANGE

Andrianna Peterson
Assistant Village Manager

cc: Robert Pilipiszyn, Village Manager
The Village has a small one and half block (Harvard to Eisenhower entrance ramp) that borders 25th Avenue. The Village supports the application for the LTA grant (no local match).

William P. Barlow, III  
Village Manager  
Village of Maywood  
40 W Madison Street  
Maywood, IL 60153  
708-450-6301
Tammy Wierciak
From: Gary Marine <gmarinepwdir@melrosepark.org>
Sent: Wednesday, June 26, 2013 8:41 AM
To: Tammy Wierciak

**Village of Melrose Park**

1000 North 25th Avenue, Melrose Park, IL 60160

Tammy:

The Village of Melrose Park supports the proposed study of the 25th Avenue Corridor to identify potential bicycle and pedestrian improvements, as is being proposed by the WCMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee in their application for a Local Technical Assistance Grant through the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP).

Sincerely yours,

Gary M. Marine
Director of Public Works
Village of Melrose Park
May 30, 2013

Ms. Tammy Wiercick
Planning Coordinator
West Central Municipal Conference
2000 Fifth Avenue, Building N
River Grove, IL 60171

RE: 25th Avenue Corridor LTA Grant

Dear Ms. Wiercick:

I am writing to express the Village of Schiller Park’s interest in supporting the application for a Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Grant. The purpose of the grant is to study the 25th Avenue corridor for use by bicycles. Schiller Park is interested in any potential improvements that can be made to this corridor to improve bicycle/pedestrian access and safety. It is understood that the Village is not making a financial commitment at this time towards the study or construction of any potential project.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information. I wish you luck in the pursuit of this grant opportunity.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
Barbara J. Piltaver
Mayor