

Related resources

PART's development relies heavily on previous work done by RTA, CMAP, the transit service boards, and other transportation experts over the last ten or more years. Many of these previous plans, reports, and projects identified critical strategies that have new resonance in the face of the current crisis. Links to the materials have been provided.

1. [ON TO 2050 \(2018\)](#) and [ON TO 2050 Update \(2022\)](#): The region's long-range comprehensive plan which strongly supports transit in the region and calls for the development of a modern, multimodal transportation system in the region to adapt to changing travel demands and efficiently move people and goods.
2. [Mobility Recovery \(2023\)](#): As part of this study, CMAP engaged in extended scenario planning, transportation demand modeling, peer research, and financial analysis to develop and recommend solutions. The final report recommends strategies to invest in a stronger and more financially secure transit system, enable travel by safe, active, and sustainable modes, and balance the benefits and drawbacks of growth in freight and e-commerce.
3. [Transit is the Answer \(2022\)](#): RTA's current five-year strategic plan outlines how RTA, the transit service boards, and regional stakeholders will work together to move forward in fourteen priority areas to safeguard transit's future in northeastern Illinois. The plan was developed collaboratively over more than a year with input and engagement from a broad selection of the public, transit riders, and other regional stakeholders.
4. [Equity in transportation fees, fines, and fares \(2020\)](#): To further implementation of the ON TO 2050 regional comprehensive plan, CMAP developed this report to explore how the region can pursue both fully funding the region's transportation and leveraging it to promote inclusive growth. The report assesses the impacts of fees, fines, and fares on low-income residents and recommends policy changes to improve equity.
5. [Determining the Equitable Allocation of Public Funding for a Regional Transit System \(2013\)](#): The RTA commissioned a report on transit system governance from Declan, with support from the Eno Center for Transportation, and TranSmart. This report discusses the funding challenges facing the RTA and its three transit providers (CTA, Metra, and Pace). This report recommends changes such as the integration of transit agencies, funding allocation reforms, and the adoption of a single board of directors.
6. [Northeastern Illinois Public Transit Task Force Report \(2013\)](#): Former Illinois Governor Pat Quinn issued an executive order 13-06 creating the Northeastern Illinois Public Transit Task Force to address concerns regarding the structure of the region's transit system. The Task Force recommended the creation of an integrated transit governance system and identified several principles to inform the design of such a governance system.