Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

To: Planning Coordinating Committee<br>Date: May 7, 2008<br>From: Erin Aleman, Assistant Community Planner<br>Re: Community Engagement Assistance Program

In an effort to reach groups that are typically underrepresented in planning processes, CMAP worked with ten community-based organizations during the development of the Regional Vision. These groups were asked to host meetings, invite their constituents, and discuss items related to the GO TO 2040 vision development. Small grants of approximately $\$ 5,000$ each were provided to the community-based groups to cover their costs.

The groups who participated included:

- Bethel New Life
- Casa Central
- DevCorp North
- Family Focus Aurora
- Imagine Englewood If...
- Kendall County Health Department
- Little Village Environmental Justice Organization
- Metropolitan Tenants Organization
- South STAR Services
- Southland Health Care Forum

At the May 14 Planning Coordinating Committee meeting, staff will provide a presentation describing this program and its results.

ACTION REQUESTED: Informational.

